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THE NOVICE

IN the spring of 1961, after 16 years spent pavement pounding as a probation officer in an industrialised northern city, I turned my back on the smoke and the grime for a similar job in a far-flung rural area of the Yorkshire Dales. In the summer of the same year I moved my home and began, at as near 50 years of age as makes no matter, an almost complete reorganisation of the business of living. Many years spent as a 'muddled oaf' impelled me to the local rugby club, purely as a spectator and supporter. Similarly, as a former 'flannelled fool,' I joined the cricket club, but not on the active list.

This was fine and dandy, as far as it went, but it didn't go far enough. I believe that all of us need things to do in isolation, and other things to do in teams or groups. Fishing, not very successfully, covered the solitude, and must be the nicest way of doing nothing ever invented by man. Finding some activity with others was not so straightforward. My best friends had told me, and finally convinced me, that it was unfair of me to try to sing, and so the choir was spared, as was the congregation. I heard by chance that ringers were getting a bit thin on the ground and turned, perhaps logically but certainly optimistically, to the belfry. This was a completely new experience. I had never been in a belfry before and literally didn't know a sally from a stay.

The captain made me very welcome, and undertook the formidable task of teaching a middle-aged pupil the rudiments of the art. He is, bless him, a man of infinite patience and perseverance, and as it turned out it is just as well that he has these qualities in such marked degree. It is, I suppose, difficult for any of us, as the years go on, to acquire a completely new skill. Joints creak, muscles seem reluctant to stretch, co-ordination one finds sadly lacking. One becomes depressed by the absence of that youthful resilience and adaptability previously enjoyed.

As a preliminary I was taken up the tower and shown the bells, and marvelled at the skill of the 'cunning artificer' who had contrived to fit so much into so small a space. My mentor left me up there while he operated from the floor in order to show me what was happening when he pulled. I descended the spiral with some difficulty, being past the stage of lissom youth these several years.

We had, then, some little talk of this and that. Unlike my teacher I am not a very patient man, and was itching to get to the job in hand. Had I not seen a slip of a girl and her schoolboy brother (standing on a box, forsooth) perform on the ropes with consummate ease? What could there possibly be in this? I was soon to learn.

Now the only creditable thing in what follows is that I didn't give in, probably being mule stubborn as well as impatient. At first I pulled the rope so hard that I kept bouncing on and off the stay. Then I didn't pull it hard enough and the captain rushed to my aid when the rope went slack. Finally I got it right for a few strokes, and then, when I was full of ill-founded confidence, got myself cut down to size when the rope picked me off my feet, all 16 stone of me, and flung me against the wall with a resounding crack and slight grazing to a bald cranium. The captain decided that I had had enough for one night.

The following week I fared a little better. This time the rope was not in vindictive mood, merely maliciously playful. It plucked my glasses off my nose just for a change. A smart bit of slip fielding by my amused teacher prevented further calls on the National Health Service. However, I made a mental note to bring an old, tight-fitting pair in future instead of trying to ring in tycoon-type bifocals. I know one shouldn't watch the rope, but anything that moves fairly quickly is very difficult to see in bifocals, and any learner wearing glasses might pay some heed to this point. Fortunately I have my own teeth or the rope might have deprived me of them too.

So we proceeded, bit by painful bit, with gradual improvement and remarkable tolerance from my team-mates in the face of my efforts and frequent apologies. Perhaps a belfry is the only place in which modern youth is found to be tolerant. However, eventually I went to take my place in rounds, and a proud moment it was when I got it right. From rounds to call-changes, and so we progress. The great moment was on the annual trip when I was entrusted with the tenor at Kirby Stephen—16 cwt. of it—and managed not too badly, although admittedly only covering. While still very much a beginner, I am now bitten with this bug, and hope before long to ring well enough to be of some general help in keeping things going.

I would list the attractions of ringing as follows:—

- (a) The spiritual satisfaction of doing something in the worship and to the glory of God.
- (b) The mental relaxation of complete change and concentration.
- (c) The satisfaction of trying to master a difficult and precise art.
- (d) The benefit of the exercise involved, for this is an exercise peculiarly suitable to those of mature years and past more violent forms.
- (e) The friendship to be found amongst kindly and patient people.

I would certainly recommend ringing to any middle-aged man or woman who has got past the more active sports but still has team spirit and wants an outlet for both mental and physical energy.

R. H. BRUETON.

THE TOWERS OF THE EAST RIDING

By Ian N. Goldthorpe

AS the winter nights grow longer, no doubt many ringers will be talking about the new towers which they have visited during the past year; and with 1963 not very far away the Christmas season affords an opportunity for discussing plans for future visits to new areas and new towers. Perhaps in this respect the East Riding, an area rich in bells and mediæval churches, is not so well known as it deserves to be. This predominantly rural area forms the northern extremity of a great belt of churches extending from Essex through East Anglia and Lincolnshire.

The East Riding is divided into two parts by the ridge of chalk hills known as the Yorkshire Wolds, an area rich in churches dating back to Norman times, but with few rings of bells. It is on the plains to the east and the west, however, where many of the greatest mediæval churches in Yorkshire are to be found, together with some of the better-known rings of the North of England.

Situated at the foot of the eastern slope of the Wolds is Beverley, a pleasant market town with some good hotels and convenient as a centre from which to explore the Riding. Here also are two of the finest churches in the area, both having an excellent ring of ten bells. Beverley Minster, formerly the Collegiate Church of St. John, possesses many unique features and has fine examples of the three principal styles of Gothic architecture. Some years ago the late Sir Giles Gilbert Scott, the architect of Liverpool Cathedral, described this church as 'the finest Gothic church in Europe.' The bells are no less beautiful, being a fine example of Messrs. Taylor's work at the beginning of the present century. Also of interest to ringers is the bourdon bell, known as Great John, weighing over seven tons, and the clock, which is the only one in the world which strikes on bells in two separate towers.

At the other end of the town stands the large Parish Church of St. Mary, which dates largely from the 14th and 15th centuries. This fine church would attract visitors from afar even if the Minster were not there to overshadow it. Situated in the robust central tower is a fine ring of ten, slightly lighter and much easier to handle than those at the Minster. These bells were also cast by Taylors and hung in the tower about a year before those at the Minster.

HULL'S MELLOW 12

Only a few miles away at Hull is the East Riding's only ring of 12. This is the recently augmented ring at Holy Trinity Church, now the second largest parish church in the land and possessing the largest ringing chamber in Yorkshire. The bells, which were cast in 1909 by Taylors, have an extremely mellow tone.

Close to Hull there are a number of towers. The fine eight at Hedon must surely rank among the finer octaves in Yorkshire, and was cast by Taylors in 1928. The church, known as 'The King of Holderness,' is equally fine and towers above this ancient, and once important, seaport which has changed little since the 18th century. An interesting feature here is the small circle of ropes in the centre of the large ringing chamber. Nearby is the pleasant six at Burstwick, hung in a 15th century tower built of cobbles. St. James', Sutton-on-Hull, has a handy Taylor six which tends to be rather noisy. This church possesses some fine 15th century brickwork, and from the churchyard a fine view is obtained across the Plain of Holderness.

Of the other churches in the Holderness area, undoubtedly the finest is at Patrington, known locally as 'The Queen of Holderness,' and whose tall spire dominates the plain for miles around. Access to the ringing chamber is obtained by a spiral staircase in a north transept buttress, followed by a ramp behind the north gable leading to a small door at the apex of the roof. The next stage entails crawling along a gangway inside the upper part of the roof with views of the church below. One finally emerges in the ringing chamber over the central crossing. The bells here were augmented to form a ring of eight as a memorial after the Second World War.

Nearby is a ring of five at Roos, the tenor of which is probably cracked! These bells are not rung often and need some oil. The church, however, is beautifully kept and is approached by an impressive avenue of yews. A few miles away at Withernsea there is a ring of six hung in another 15th century tower built of cobbles from the seashore. Away to the north-west there is an excellent ring of five hung in the Victorian tower of the little church overlooking Rise Park.

LARGEST VILLAGE

Cottingham, to the north of Hull, claims to be the largest village in England; and the Church of St. Mary is certainly in keeping with this claim. Access to the ringing chamber in the huge central tower is unusual in that one has first to climb up to the level of the bells before dropping down through a trapdoor and ladder to the immaculate ringing chamber below. The interesting octave (the oldest bell dates back to 1638) is much admired by some ringers but disliked by others! Some of the bells are odd-struck and difficult to strike well except with an experienced band.

Two miles away is Kirk Ella, whose 15th century tower contains the heaviest six in the Riding and the second heaviest in Yorkshire. Whilst these bells, cast by Taylors in 1882, are not heavy by Somerset standards, there is a long draught of rope, and the tenor bell has a small wheel due to the lack of space at belfry level. Nearby is the township of Hessle, overlooking the Humber estuary and possessing a large parish church. The ring of six was cast by Taylors in 1894, but some of the bells are odd-struck and the quality of tone is disappointing for the weight.

A little further upstream and situated at the southern end of the Wolds, North Ferriby has a light ring of six. Although the bells, which go well, are not very musical, the church is an interesting example of the early work of J. L. Pearson, the architect of Truro Cathedral. Of the few rings of bells on the Wolds, the new Taylor ring at Walkington is certainly worth a visit, the church being situated in a pleasant and well-kept village.

Further north there is the heavy six at Hutton Cranswick, cast by Mears' as a memorial after the Second World War, and perhaps the finest six in the area. Nearby is an almost unringable six at Driffield, comprising a number of bells dating back to the 17th century. Another light six is to be found at Middleton-on-the-Wolds, a few miles to the west, although these bells are rarely rung and need oiling before use. Where the Wolds hit the sea is the large Priory Church at Bridlington, possessing the heaviest eight in the Riding and the second heaviest in Yorkshire. This fine Taylor octave is unfortunately now in need of some renovation. The short journey from here is well worth while to see the well-kept church at Flamborough with its ancient rood screen and ring of four bells.

To the north of the Wolds is the town of Norton, which almost joins up with the busy market town of Malton in the North Riding. Here there is a fine octave which has a remarkable tone for the weight. To the west is the Vale of York which, like the Holderness area, possesses many fine churches. Some 15 miles south of Norton is Pocklington, a busy little market town with a fine church, having internally almost the atmosphere of the cathedral, due to the absence of pews. Although the octave has been augmented from a six, it forms a very pleasing ring and is well worth a visit.

CHOICE FOR RINGERS

A little to the east, nestling at the foot of the Wolds, is the village of Nunburnholme. Here one has the choice of ringing the bells from upstairs or from the floor of the church, surrounding an ancient Saxon cross. Going southwards along the foot of the Wolds we come to Market Weighton, a small town which seems to have fallen asleep on a busy main road. The well-kept church seems to suggest that this was once a much more important place, and the handy six are very pleasing. A few miles away, standing on the top of an isolated hill, is the ancient church at Holme, whose three bells have recently been retuned and augmented by Taylors

to form a useful six. Further south, in a pleasant wooded setting, is the fine old church at North Cave, whose interior is rather picturesque and seems almost completely to have escaped the hands of the Victorian restorers. The six bells, rung from the floor, are equally as pleasing as the church. Travelling westwards, one soon comes to the 15th century church at Eastington, with its ground floor ring of six and interesting memorial window to a bellringer.

A few miles away, just as the spire of Patrington dominated the Holderness Plain, so here the tall tower of Howden Minster dominates a large area. Although the church is partly in ruins, the great central tower rises above the quiet town clustering at its foot. The bells, which were recast by Taylors after the fire in 1929, were rehung in 1932, and might well be described as the 'Chewton Mendip of the North.' One eminent Yorkshire ringer recently described these bells as the finest eight in Yorkshire. The bells, which are hung at the bottom of the lofty tower, can be seen turning through the lower glazed windows.

Another fine landmark a few miles away is the tall spire rising from the short central tower at Hemmingbrough. The six bells, five of which date from 1730, are rung from the centre of this interesting old church. Going northwards we come to Escrick, the last tower in the area, whose magnificent Victorian church, built in the 14th century style, is possibly more interesting than the eight bells, which seem to be something of an anti-climax!

Mention might be made of the nearby 12 at York Minster, cast by Taylors in 1925, but difficult to ring well due to the excessive length of rope and the difficulty of hearing the bells from the ringing chamber. Also the fine ten at Selby Abbey, cast in the same year as the bells at Hull and Bradford Cathedral, and each being of a similar weight.

(Drawings on next page)

THE SUFFOLK GUILD

South-East District

Despite the cold weather some 30 members and visitors attended the quarterly meeting at Henley on December 1st.

The service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. Beauford Haste, and thanks are accorded to him and also to Miss Faith Cleverdon, one of the members, who played the organ at short notice.

A pleasing feature of the business meeting was the election of 11 probationary members to the Guild, and, as an incentive to them, Mr. C. W. Pipe made a sporting offer, in that he would willingly pay £1 to the first one of the new members who rang a 720 of Minor. The problem of obtaining and holding recruits was discussed fully and as this is quite serious at present in the Guild it was resolved that the District Committee meet in the near future and plan a concerted effort to improve the position. To aid with this, Howard Egglestone was elected on the committee.

Henley bells were kept going throughout the afternoon and evening, under the directorship of Mrs. S. R. E. Pipe. Ringing varied from rounds and call changes to Pudsey Surprise.

Next meeting: Woodbridge, March 2nd.

50 Years Ago

'R.W.' December 6th, 1912.—

We record elsewhere in this issue a remarkable peal performance—the first peal rung by children—the son and two daughters of Mr. F. J. Johnson, of Hinton, near Evesham, having rung 5,040 Grandire Doubles, called in ten different ways. Ellen, who rang 1—2, is 12 years of age; Joseph, who was the conductor and rang 3—4, is 13; while Ruth, who rang 5—6, is a maid of only 10 summers.

'R.W.' December 13th, 1912.—

At the Church of St. Clement, Hastings, there is a peal of steel bells cast in 1860 by Naylor, Vickers & Co. The first peal was rung on them last Saturday! Needless to say the bells are not a very musical lot, but, we believe, this performance fulfils a cherished ambition of Mr. R. J. Dawe, who has now rung a peal in every eight-bell tower in his native county of Sussex, and there are about 45 of them.

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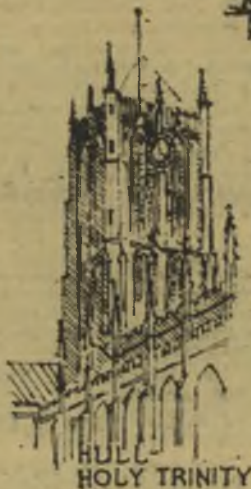
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Letters to the Editor

YOUNGEST LADY CONDUCTOR

Dear Sir,—One is always glad to see and offer congratulations to young conductors of either sex, but I'm afraid the age for the youngest lady was considerably lowered many years ago. In April, 1913, my sister, Nellie, conducted a handbell peal of Doubles in four methods at the age of 12 years and 8 months, and had conducted peals of Grandsire Triples and Caters before her 16th birthday.—Yours sincerely,

J. D. JOHNSON.

Sedgeberrow, Worcs.

Dear Sir,—With reference to the correspondence concerning young ladies calling peals, I think it worth noting that Miss Margaret Beamish (now Mrs. Chapman), conducted her first peal at the age of 13 years and 6 months. While I know that she would not dream of claiming this as a record, it beats those cases quoted in the 'R.W.' by a considerable margin.

Moreover, before her 14th birthday, Margaret Chapman had rung 50 peals, including Cambridge Maximus, and peals of Stedman Triples, Caters and Cinques 'in hand' before 13th birthday.—Yours faithfully,

D. J. FORDER.

Eastleigh, Hants.

LADIES' GUILD REPLY TO ANTI-BELLE

Dear Aunti-Belle (apologies).—We members attending a Midland District of the Ladies' Guild meeting at Aylestone on Saturday, November 17th, deplore the fact that the letter written regarding lady ringers was not signed with your name.

May we ask if you have been a ringer since 1912, if not, you are hardly in a position to judge ringing since that date. With regard to ladies not being satisfied with methods already composed, it is the gentlemen who have composed new methods and are still doing so; rarely is a lady's name mentioned as composer.

Recently, a band of ladies rang a peal of Cambridge Royal on bells with plain bearings and I am sure the gentlemen listening to this peal will bear us out when we say this was near perfect striking. The first Ladies' Guild peal of Stedman Triples, rung at Cubitt Town, was also a well struck peal, and again the gentlemen listening then, who are still alive, would bear this out, too.

The experience of the ladies attending the above meeting is that towers are strengthened when ladies marry and not undermined, and many towers today would be in a sad plight if it were not for the ladies.—Yours sincerely,

MEMBERS OF THE MIDLAND DISTRICT OF THE LADIES GUILD.

P.S.—Names of these members will be supplied to Anti-Belle only if he will write to the secretary of the Midland District.—W. M. W.

PORTSMOUTH CATHEDRAL TOWER GUILD

Dear Sir.—Our committee wishes that a recent contradiction by a contributor to this paper, about the name of this cathedral and its Tower Guild, should be corrected.

The dedication is, properly, 'St. Thomas of Canterbury' and not as the contributor declared, contradictorily, 'St. Thomas à Becket.'

The name of our ringing guild was proposed by our president, the Provost of Portsmouth, and is, accordingly, 'The Guild of Ringers of St. Thomas of Canterbury'.—Yours very truly,

A. YORK-BRAMBLE.

Vice-president.

Portsmouth.

ACCEPTED AS A PRINCIPLE

Dear Sir,—In reply to Mr. Simon ('R.W.' page 766), some five years ago I also was experimenting with figures and discovered '?' the same principle, though I treated it in a slightly different manner. I made 'Rounds' the sixth row of a quick 'Ten' or unit, thus letting the treble run out as in Stedman 'Bobs' and 'Singles' on the front, but only in the middle of quick units; thus keeping symmetry within the same. I rejected 'Calls' taking effect on the first row of a unit, as in Stedman, because one cannot obviate three consecutive blows on the lead for a thirds place single, or three consecutive blows in fifths for a fifths place bob and single.

It is rather cramping to have only four places in the plain course in which to have 'Calls' (the other three would cause interference to the observation bell).

If a sixths place single was the only 'Call' it could be made in the middle of all units. This would give 12 out of the 14 places in the plain course without interference.

I submitted this idea to the C.C. secretary in 1958, with a request for comments, and received the following reply:

'1 It is acceptable as a principle, not a method, and ringable, though I do not know whether a 5.040 could be produced of Triples.

2 Originality. I have never seen the exact figures before, but the "quick ten" were printed in "The Ringing World" circa 1917 to a Caters method. Strictly, therefore, I do not think it could be called original.

3 Music. In Triples all changes have to be used in a peal, so that they are all more or less musical methods. Double-dodging is considered to show off music to advantage; four dodges continuously might tend to become monotonous.

4 No. Very few can. This can be extended on odd numbers.

5 I think dodging is preferable to continuous whole-pulls behind.

6 The name "St. Mark's" being first in the field would be regarded as the appropriate one, in accordance with usual practice.

7 Ringers are very conservative where new principles are concerned, and none of those introduced in the last seventy years or so—Duffield, Forward, Erin—have really caught on. The answer probably is that on odd numbers Stedman provides all ringers look for, variety, music, etc., and on even numbers they like the treble to have a plain or treble bob hunt, i.e. a method.'

The answer therefore to Mr. Simon's two-part question, as far as I am concerned, is: (a) Yes, and (b) We did not get round to it.—Yours sincerely,

H. BROWN.

Hollywood, Co. Down.

TWELVE YEARS IN THE MIDLANDS

Dear Sir.—Having spent a very happy time in the Midlands, I have returned to Wales to meet and ring with old and new ringing friends. I should like to say 'Thank you very much' to all ringers and friends that I rang with and met—for transport and hospitality, to the Tuesday Surprise band, with whom I was able to learn quite a lot, and special thanks to the Penn band, for their kindness to me in so many ways. Best wishes to you all for the future. Once again many thanks for a very enjoyable stay.—Yours, etc.,

E. STITCH.

14, Rockfields, Nottage.
Porthcawl, Glam.

NEW CHURCHES AND BELLS

Dear Sir,—At a recent press conference the secretary of the Church of England Council for Churches gave some interesting figures regarding church buildings in this country.

It appears that 408 churches have been built since the end of the war and that a further 1,000 will be needed in the next ten years. The approximate cost of these new churches will be £20 m., of which the Church Commissioners will contribute £2,250,000, the remainder to be found by the parishes.

The speaker urged the importance of the parishioners briefing the architects in the needs of the community and I trust that the Central Council are keeping abreast with these new building projects, ensuring that a certain percentage, especially those in the new towns, will have a ring of bells.

I should be grateful if someone from the Central Council could furnish us with figures of the number of these new churches which have rings of bells and how many are expected in the next 1,000 churches.

Present day architects appear to give little or no attention to towers in the new churches. If finances only allow for a small turret to be built I feel it would be better for the congregation to be called to worship by one bell than by recordings of church bells. Quite often the recordings, when amplified, are distorted and in some cases unsuitable for small churches, especially when one hears Caters or Cinques coming from a steeply which would not even hold one bell.—Yours faithfully,

C. J. CASTELL.

Newbury, Berks.

DOLGELLY BELLS

Dear Sir,—I write from West Wales to tell you of our bells. We have eight bells, hung in 1809, with a 15 cwt. tenor.

All the original bell furnishings are unchanged. After some years of relative silence the wheels and ropes were patched up and for the past year we have started regular change ringing practices, and a good team of ringers is growing up, but—the bells have now been condemned.

We ring them for the last time when we welcome in the New Year, and they will be rehung completely in the old frame for Christmas, 1963, assuming our appeal is successful.

The bells here have a civic as well as church function, and the 9 p.m. curfew is a very old tradition, as is the ringing for the quarterly Assizes.

There are not many rings of bells in this part of Wales, and with no local guild of ringers there is not much chance of regular practice with ringers and in other towers.

When our bells are rehung we will again offer a welcome to ringers, whether on holiday or on tour; there is something very exhilarating in ringing here among the mountains in a part of the world where change ringing is not yet a tradition.—Yours, etc.,

E. W. KEVIN WALTON.

Tower Master.

St. Mary's, Dolgelly.

WITH FRIDAY'S COFFEE

Dear Sir.—Over my cup of coffee on Friday mornings, I pore over my 'Ringing World' with great interest, finding out what fellow ringers are doing and have done. I wonder how many housewives get the same joy from the very mention of 'The Ringing World' as I do?—Yours faithfully,

DOREEN M. L'ESTRANGE (Mrs.).

Amesbury, Wilts.

P.S.—I am the only ringer in my family; my husband thinks I'm mad. Little does he realise the joy of ringing.—D. M. L.

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THE proposal that the East Berks and South Bucks Branch should hold a dinner was so enthusiastically received that all who desired to be present could not be accommodated at the Crown Hotel, Maidenhead, where 90 ringers and friends sat down to a repast, which included roast turkey.

Miss Mary Blackwood and Mr. E. Gosling excelled themselves with the decorations. The showpiece was a huge emblem, superbly executed by Mr. Gosling, representing the arms of the Diocese of Oxford and surrounded by scrolls containing the names of the towers in the Branch. It was so compelling of attention that the Bishop of Buckingham (the Rt. Rev. Gordon Savage) jocularly remarked that he was delighted to see all eyes upon him, until he realised what everyone was really admiring.

The chairman, Canon Eric Perkins (Rector of Slough) praised those responsible for the dinner. It was, he said, a very proper fraternisation and he hoped it would become an annual event.

The Bishop, who replied to a welcome from the chair, said ringers did not want to be thanked every time they rang, but he welcomed that opportunity of expressing the gratitude of the Church for their work, which was ever in the minds of the clergy, and tremendously appreciated. He then proposed the health of Our Church and its Bellringers.

In his reply, Mr. W. Birmingham briefly reviewed the birth of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, in 1881, from a seed sown in March, 1879, at Maidenhead, when the East Berks and South Bucks Society was formed, preceding the Sonning Deanery Society by ten months, a fact of which the Branch was justly very proud.

He referred to the vigour of the Branch, built upon the labours of such stalwarts as J. J. Parker, John Evans, the Fussell brothers, George Gutteridge, George Martin, George Gilbert, William Welling and, later, William Butler, originator of the now defunct 'Ringers' Magazine' and quarterly news sheet.

He felt there was a post-war retrogression, and hoped that by recruitment of the right type of youngsters the present generation would uphold the great tradition built up by their ancestors. He specially drew attention to the Central Council's concern at the decline in 'first pealers' and its desire for greater encouragement to be given to young conductors.

Mr. Birmingham criticised those who resented their pupils leaving them behind in level of attainment in change ringing. Such practices would not enable the Branch to hold its lead in the Guild, so that people in 50 years time could say the same about them as they today were saying about the worthiness, service, humility, fortitude, perseverance and loyalty of those who had established the position of the Branch.

He concluded by reminding ringers that all their efforts were worth while, as the bells always found a response in someone's soul, as Robert Southey felt when he wrote:

'It is a music hallowed by all circumstances, which, according equally with social exultation and with solitary pensiveness,

though it falls upon many an unheeding ear, never fails to find some hearts which it exhilarates, and some which it softens.'

Mr. F. W. Goodfellow also replied, on behalf of the visitors. He spoke of the great bond of fellowship which, since the First World War, had existed between the Branch and its neighbours in N.W. Middlesex. When he first moved into the district from London he was struck by the friendliness of the ringers in South Bucks and East Berks. To the comments by Mr. Birmingham, upon old ringers, he added the name of Mr. Cecil Mayne, who did so much in and around Beaconsfield. The annual joint meeting at Hillingdon was an event his Middlesex colleagues enjoyed immensely.

Following the dinner there was dancing till almost midnight, when the Branch secretary, Miss Doreen Hague, was thanked for all her work, and the company dispersed following the singing of 'Auld Lang Syne.'

Apologies were received from the Master of the Guild (Canon C. Elliot Wigg) and the general secretary (Miss Marie Cross).

W. B.

A BELL PROGRAMME OF NOTE

A well informed programme of good ringing, which should not be missed, will be heard on the Home Service, B.B.C., on Friday, December 28th, at 10.30 p.m., under the title 'Ring out Wild Bells,' produced by John Blunden.

Recordings of the bells of the following churches will be heard: St. Mary Redcliffe (Bristol), Chewton Mendip, Bredons Norton and Evercreech.

Methods rung will be Grandsire Cinques and Caters, Double Norwich Court Bob Major, Stedman Triples and Grandsire Doubles.

CHRISTMAS

Or Christmas Day throughout our land
There's many a church bell ringing hand,
In tower and steeple, large and small,
Sending forth the joyful call,
To worship God, who this day gave
His Son, our Lord, the world to save.

Men's selfishness and greed for cash
Seems far away at Midnight Mass.
The peace of God in heart and mind
Is here and free to all mankind.
And everywhere men kneel and pray
For peace on earth this Christmas Day.

The ropes are grasped, the treble's 'gone,'
The bells ring out their happy song.
Deep, mellow and resounding notes
Sound forth from hallowed metal throats.
Men's strength and skill and tears and joy
Combine to welcome 'Mary's Boy.'

B. FISHER.

Bentley Common.

OBITUARY

MR. H. J. BUCKLE

The sudden death of Mr. Herbert James Buckle on December 2nd, a few minutes after ringing for evening service at Long Crendon, Bucks, was a great shock to all who knew him. Mr. Buckle had been a former captain of the ringers for many years. Since the death of his wife he had lived at Thame with his daughter, where he rang regularly Sunday mornings, and at Long Crendon in the evenings.

The funeral took place at Long Crendon on December 6th, followed by cremation. The service was conducted by the Vicar, Rev. W. M. Watt, with Miss J. Holt at the organ. In the evening Long Crendon bells were rung half-muffled by members of the local band, and a similar tribute to his memory took place on Thame bells on December 17th. G. J. T.

WILLIAM HORATIO TAYLOR

The Handsworth (Yorks) company recently suffered a great loss in the passing of William (Billy) Taylor. He was one of the original band trained by Fred Watkinson when St. Mary's bells were installed in 1920. Although he only rang four peals, the last in 1925, he was outstanding as a regular and devoted Sunday service ringer right up to being taken ill. His other great interest was football, and it was as he was leaving the ground after watching his favourite team, Sheffield United, win one Saturday afternoon a few weeks ago that he collapsed and was rushed to hospital. After some weeks in hospital he appeared to be recovering and began to look forward to being out of hospital before Christmas so that he and Mrs. Taylor could celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on Boxing Day. This, unhappily, was not to be, and he died peacefully in his sleep in the early morning of November 23rd. He was 75 years old and leaves a widow, son and daughter. Up to his retirement four years ago he had been nearly all his life a winder at nearby Orgreave Colliery. He was for many years a member of the choir and an active member of the Church Council. In his younger days he was also a keen and active cricketer and footballer.

The Handsworth company were joined by others of his colleagues in ringing St. Mary's bells half-muffled before and after the funeral service on Wednesday, November 28th. Later in the evening a quarter peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor was rung in his memory by the following: J. J. L. Gilbert 1, G. Goodall 2, Eileen J. Osborne 3, F. Cardwell 4, J. S. Seager 5, I. M. Holland (conductor) 6. J. J. L. G.

BARNSELY DISTRICT SOCIETY

When the Barnsley District Society met at Crofton, near Wakefield, on December 8th, the Vicar (the Rev. G. Slater), responding to a vote of thanks moved by Miss Elizabeth Peace (Shelley), said it was three years to the day when he came to Crofton. Then there were no ringers and it was through their secretary (Mr. Buxton) that they got their bells going. (It was through Mr. Wilfrid F. Moreton and friends from Wakefield Cathedral—correction by the secretary.)

Fourteen towers were represented, and the tea was the last event to be held in the hall, a building which, the secretary said, had some wonderful memories for him.

Next meeting (general), Barnsley, January 12th.

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GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION

Swindon Branch's Good Year

The Swindon Branch held its annual meeting at Christ Church, Swindon, on December 8th. Ringers attended from Swindon, Bibury, Faringdon, Highworth, South Marston, Stratton St. Margaret, Wootton Bassett and Loughborough. The Vicar of Christ Church, Canon F. W. Thomas, conducted the service. Tea was served in the Parish Hall, and was followed by the business meeting.

Dr. H. H. Craig, the chairman of the Branch for the past eight years, announced he could no longer serve, as he would shortly be moving to a village outside the Branch area. Dr. C. G. Roworth was unanimously elected to the chair. The remaining officials were re-elected, viz.: Mr. R. Luton, secretary; Mr. B. Bladon, Ringing Master; Mr. T. Collins, representative on the Management Committee. Mr. W. H. Trueman thanked Dr. Craig for the work he had done for the Branch, and expressed the hope that we should see him often at Branch meetings. He also thanked the other officers, particularly the Ringing Master and Tony Peake, for the assistance given to enable him to ring peals of London and Bristol.

The secretary was able to report a good year, with 20 new members, mostly juniors, an average attendance of 40 at the monthly meetings, eight whole day outings during the year, three by coach, and an annual Christmas party, with films of some of the year's activities, and dancing and games. It was probably due to these extra activities that they had such a youthful and happy Branch: it meant much extra work for the organisers, but was well worth while to keep the bells ringing and to maintain the interest of the younger ringers. Their only regret was that only the towers in and near the town were represented: they wished it were possible to raise the same enthusiasm in the country towers of the Branch.

Fifteen peals were rung during the year; these included the first peals by a resident Branch band of Bristol and London Surprise Major, a peal of Rutland and three Spliced Major methods, conducted by Terry Collins, and three handbell peals.

R. L.

MR. T. H. TAFFENDER

It is regretted that Mr. Thomas Henry Taffender will no longer be able to take either active or passive interest in bell ringing as he is at present in very poor health at West Park Hospital, Epsom, Surrey, where he is likely to remain permanently.

On his behalf I wish all his friends and acquaintances, through 'The Ringing World,' the compliments of the season.

Any inquiries or correspondence (which would be welcome) should be sent to me, the eldest son (receiver), and I will endeavour to convey these to him personally.—John Henry Taffender, 20, Hazel Road, Park Street Lane, St. Albans, Herts. (Tel.: Park St. 3273.)

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

Southern District

The November meeting of the Southern District was held at Barnsley, and all parts of the District were well represented. As St. Mary's bells were not available until late in the afternoon, the two sides of Cawthorne and Silkstone were both put to good use. An excellent tea was provided by the local ladies in the Church Hall, and here the ringers were joined by the Vicar of Barnsley, Canon A. Morley.

At the business meeting the chair was taken by the Vicar, who extended a hearty welcome to all. An apology for absence was received from Mr. H. Rusby, of Cawthorne. Four ringing members of the Association were elected, viz., Messrs. Alan Raynor and Malcolm Jowett (Crofton), Alan Jewitt (Bawtry) and George Hancock (Wakefield). The vote of thanks was proposed by vice-president Mr. Norman Chadcock, who recalled that great character, Mr. C. D. Potter, who was always present at these meetings between the wars.

Next quarterly meeting, Conisbrough, February 16th.

J. J. L. G.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Rochester District

A very successful meeting was held on December 1st at St. Margaret's, Rochester, the first there for many years.

After the ringers' service, at which the Rev. Peter Bond, the District's Ringing Master, gave a short address, and another ringer, the Rev. Peter Robbins, read the lesson, over 75 ringers and friends sat down to tea, kindly given by Major Self, the tower captain, and his band of helpers.

At the business meeting, 15 new members were elected, 11 of them from the St. Margaret's band, thus bringing St. Margaret's, Rochester, back into union with the Association after a lapse of many years. The secretary was able to sell a dozen of the new Association membership certificates (designed by himself), and it is to be hoped that members both new and those well established will buy more of these. The secretary said that he would be willing to run a coach to the annual general meeting in the Tonbridge district on Easter Monday and would be pleased to take names.

Further ringing followed in the tower, under the guidance of the Ringing Master. The bells are extremely noisy, conductors having to shout at the top of their voices, but nevertheless this meeting proved to be very enjoyable.

Next meeting, Wouldham, January 19th.

L. M.

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A LONDON GET-TOGETHER

'An organiser's joy' would be a fair comment of the joint meeting held in London on December 1st between the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild and the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths. This comment is based on the popularity of the occasion and because some of London's famous bells were available for ringing. And the weather was good, too!

The attendance far exceeded one hundred, as almost all of the 98 who submitted names for tea were present and then there were many who had time or opportunity only of ringing in one or more of the towers. But the spirit of enthusiasm and contentment was evident despite the discomforts of a large attendance. Not only were a large number of Metropolitan ringers there, but friends and relations' from Somerset to Staffordshire and other counties called in for the day. After all, rings of 6, 8, 10 and 12 bells were available, so every class of ringer, except the 4- and 5-bell ringers, was catered for.

Evensong in St. Andrew's Church, Holborn, was conducted by the Vicar (Rev. Roy Deasy), and assisting at the organ was Mr. Andrews (Harrow Weald). The address by the Vicar contained an introductory remark that they were in a church dedicated to St. Andrew during St. Andrew's-tide. Many a Scotsman would tell that the patron saint of his country was the first disciple and, as such, was an agent of introduction. 'We ringers, in our

COLLEGE OF CAMPANOLOGY

In their sixth annual report, the College of Campanology state it has been decided that the work, in modified form, shall be continued, if possible, for a further three-year span.

The founder-principal, who had expressed his intention of retiring, has consented to continue in office with a limitation of the scope of activity at H.Q. for a time. Courses of training of beginners, for example, could be organised locally with help and advice from local College members. This would enable the principal to prepare further parts of 'The Ringers' Manual of Reference.'

Over £100 has been promised either in donations or interest free loans towards financing the issue of Part Two, 'Method Structure in Change Ringing.' Publication is hoped for at Easter 1963 (price about 5/-).

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award had been the subject of correspondence between the College and the organisation of the award on the syllabus of Campanology. An alteration had been agreed to, whereby the word 'must' becomes 'should' throughout.

Recording the death of the president, Mr. Ernest Morris, the report states the College sent condolences to his widow, an appreciation to 'The Ringing World' and a donation for his memorial window. The new president is Mr. Harry Miles, a well known ringer and an active College tutor.

Registrations total over 100, correspondents 19, tutors 36, examiners 13. The College is represented in 35 counties in Great Britain, Northern Ireland and Eire, also in Southern Rhodesia, Tanganyika and the U.S.A. Affiliated schools of ringing total five, learners instructed 736, learners helped 542, active centres of instruction 16, courses run by the College and for individual members 48, talks given on ringing subjects 163, tower inspection and reports 143.

Officers elected for the ensuing triennial period: President, Harry Miles, M.A., F.C.C.; vice-president, Canon G. Thurlow; honorary chaplain, Rev. M. Melville; honorary consultants (belfries), Frederick Sharpe and R. Clouston; principal, A. York-Bramble; registrar, David Jones; bursar, Surg./Capt. A. Lawrey (R.N. Retd.); press and public relations, Dr. R. G. T. Bennett; governors, A. L. Bennett, R. Clouston, Miss M. Cross, G. Dodds, F. Duke, A. Lawrey, C. W. Pipe, A. J. Pitman, F. Sharpe, R. I. Shepherd, R. Speed and Professor R. J. Brocklehurst.

In view of the interim change of administration the next report will be issued at the close of the ensuing triennial period, i.e. in 1965.

duty, are likewise agents of introduction and calling and hold an important office in the life of the Church.' The address was one worthy of being shorthanded or tape-recorded for reproduction.

A buffet tea followed, and great credit was due to the 'committee,' comprising Mesdames Deal, Fardon, Francis, Hart, Lock and Matthews, who organised, prepared and provided.

Ringing took place at St. Leonard's, Shore-ditch (12), St. Margaret's, Westminster (10), St. Andrew's, Holborn (8), and St. Vedast's, Foster Lane (6), during the afternoon and evening, and being under the Mastership of Messrs. Beresford, Cutler and Mayne, every effort was made to meet the needs of each and every one. To the incumbents of these churches and to Mr. W. H. Hewett grateful thanks are recorded, and in addition to Rev. R. Deasy, for a well nigh 'open house.'

T. J. L.

GOLDHANGER, ESSEX.—On Dec. 4th, 1,260 Minor (Plain Bob and Kent): B. C. Mann (cond.) 1. C. Southgate 2. Barry Mann 3. Terry White 4. W. White 5. H. Appleton 6.

MERRIOTT, SOMERSET.—On Dec. 9th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bob, April Day, Grand-sire): A. C. Best 1, H. E. Turner 2, J. Cornelius (cond.) 3, S. Turner 4, F. Welch 5, W. H. Marks 6. A wedding compliment to D. Roy Bould and Margaret A. Shepherd, married at Tavistock on December 3rd.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD North Bucks Branch

A very enjoyable meeting was held at Stony Stratford on December 2nd, when about 55 members and visitors attended. Evensong was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. C. L. G. Hutchings), the address being given by the Branch chairman (the Rev. A. Campbell).

The customary business meeting followed tea, and at the conclusion of the formal business the secretary announced that the Branch would shortly be losing its chairman, as Mr. Campbell was moving early in the New Year to Amersham, after having held office in the Branch for almost 16 years. On behalf of all members, the secretary thanked the chairman for his work and interest over this long period, and in passing mentioned that he had held office for a longer period than any predecessor.

After wishing the chairman every success and happiness in the future, the secretary called upon a former secretary, Mr. R. Howson, to make a presentation of a pen and pencil. In his reply Mr. Campbell thanked the members for their kindness and said how much he had enjoyed attending their meetings, and wished the Branch continued success in the future.

Ringling on both tower- and handbells continued until late evening. R. W. S.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

Eight District towers were represented at the nomination meeting of the Guildford District, held at Wonerish on December 8th, this being the greatest number of towers at a District meeting since January, 1955.

Mr. Leslie Hunter, of Shalford, was nominated Ringing Master in place of Mr. H. A. May, whose commitments as a policeman do not generally enable him to attend the meetings. There were four nominations for the two places on the committee.

Ringling took place at Wonerish and Bramley.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Eastern Branch

Although the sun shone brighter than it had recently, the temperature made visitors prefer to ring rather than swim in the North Sea, just beyond Pakefield Church, when the Eastern Branch held their winter meeting there on December 1st. The Rev. R. Littler conducted the service, assisted by Mr. P. Kindred and Mr. Seunke, the organist. They were thanked at the meeting, presided over by Mr. E. R. Goate, which followed tea in the Church Hall.

The members stood in silent tribute to the memory of Mrs. R. E. Browne, of Loddon, and Mr. John Denton, of Gorleston, both of whom had died since the previous meeting. The secretary was instructed to convey the best wishes of the members to Mrs. A. W. Bird, of Gorleston, who was in a London hospital.

The 1963 Branch annual meeting, on February 16th, will be held at Loddon, subject to arrangements.

The Misses Margaret and Angela McBride, of Caister-on-Sea, who ring at St. Nicholas', Great Yarmouth, were elected to probationary membership of the Association. The belfry election of Mr. Clive Bryant was ratified.

The Association president (Mr. N. Golden), in a few general remarks, had a word of welcome for Mr. Lidbetter, for whom a 90th birthday peal was rung three weeks previously; also to Mr. W. Duncan, who is shortly celebrating the 50th anniversary of his first peal at East Harting; Mr. Ben Thompson and Canon Gilbert Thurlow.

Mr. C. Goodman (Association Ringing Master) hoped the Branch would do the same as other Branches and have a striking competition. After much discussion it was agreed to try and arrange one after Easter next year. P. G. W. N.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD North Dorset Branch

The annual meeting of the North Dorset Branch was held at Sherborne on December 8th, some 30 ringers being present. Touches of Grandsire Triples were rung before the Guild service at 4.30 p.m., at which the Vicar of Sherborne (Rev. Canon S. B. Wingfield-Digby) welcomed the ringers.

Tea at the Half Moon Hotel was followed by the meeting, at which the following officers were elected for the coming year: Chairman, the Rev. R. G. Chaffey Moore; vice-chairman, the Rev. R. A. Wells; hon. secretary, the Rev. R. N. Longridge; Ringing Masters, Mrs. M. Godley, Messrs. W. C. Shute and B. Ridout; committee members, Messrs. J. Ralph and E. Chant.

In his report the hon. secretary indicated an increased attendance at quarterly meetings and an apparent drop in total membership, due to some towers not yet having paid their annual subscriptions. Membership stood at 150 paid up.

A proficiency certificate was awarded to Tony Batten, of Bourton; Garry Page, also of Bourton, was elected a junior ringing member.

Quarter peals for the 80th anniversary of the Guild had been rung at Okeford Fitzpaine, Iwerne Minster and Shroton. Quarterly meetings at Iwerne Minster, Hazelbury Bryan and Shaftesbury were suggested for 1963.

After the meeting ringing continued in the Abbey until 8 p.m. R. N. L.

Devizes Branch

The monthly meeting of the Devizes Branch at Bratton on December 1st was attended by over 30 members. The service was conducted by the Vicar, Rev. Mr. Tyzack. An excellent tea was served by the ladies, who were accorded a hearty vote of thanks for their efforts. The Vicar welcomed the members to Bratton after a lapse of some years, and said how pleased he was to see several new young faces, but at the same time he was sorry to miss some of the old.

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Fifty years ago, a brother and two sisters rang a handbell peal of Grandsire Doubles.

The trio met again on December 1st at Hinton-on-the-Green, and with the same bells, same conductor calling the six-scores in the same order, repeated the performance. The ringers were Mr. Joseph D. Johnson, until recently secretary of the Worcestershire and Districts Association, and his sisters Mrs. J. Thomas and Mrs. T. W. Lewis.

Mr. Hermon J. Oliver has now rung 50 peals in the Church of St. Margaret, Downham, Sussex.

Latest entrant for handbell peal ringing is Mr. John C. Baldwin, who stood in a peal of Plain Bob Minor at Manchester.

More Yorkshire-Hertfordshire fraternising took place at Chipping Barnet with a peal of 5,280 Spliced Surprise Major in six methods on December 8th.

In a service quarter at Stratton St. Margaret, Wilts, 27 Doubles methods were rung. What is the largest number of methods rung in a service quarter?

Prittlewell is becoming quite a social tower with change ringing being accompanied with sandwich making, cake making and washing up. The young folk enjoy the initiative of Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Sadler.

The peal in 15 methods rung at Cawthorne on December 1st for the Yorkshire Association included seven methods which were rung in the first peal on the bells for the Association. These were City Delight, Arnold's Victory, College Pleasure, Duke of York, Violet, London Scholar's and Oxford.

The name of Mr. Gerald Scragg should be associated with the peal rung at Christchurch Priory on November 24th in memory of Mr. Len Stone, who died earlier in the year. Mr. Scragg, who was recently unanimously elected to succeed Mr. Stone as captain of the Priory ringers, was unfortunately prevented from standing in the peal.

BELFRY GOSSIP

Christmas bells will ring out on the Home Service on Christmas morning when greetings will be from Lichfield Cathedral; the Parish Churches of St. Bronach, Kilbroney, Co. Down; St. Cuthbert, Edinburgh; St. Mary, Cardigan; St. Mary the Virgin, Beddington, Surrey; St. Bartholomew, Lostwithiel, Cornwall; SS. Mary and Cuthbert, Chester-le-Street, Co. Durham, and the Church of the Nativity at Bethlehem.

Congratulations to Mr. Frank B. Lufkin on becoming a grandfather on December 3rd, with the arrival of Susan Lufkin. There was a quarter peal in honour of the occasion on December 9th.

Mr. J. H. Taylor, of Southampton University Society, had a distinction above all other first quarter pealers of 1963—he rang his quarter at North Stoneham without a stay.

A belringers' society has just been formed at St. John's Training College, York. The six bells of the Architectural Institute have been loaned for fortnightly practices. It is hoped to purchase a secondhand set of handbells in the near future for tunes and changes.

There is little doubt that the first dinner of the East Berks and South Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild will become an annual event. Mr. Ernest Gosling's large emblem behind the top table was beautifully coloured and was the cynosure of all eyes.

The quarter peal of Stedman Triples at Blewbury, Berks, on December 9th, went so well that the rhythm was not disturbed when the conductor forgot to call the second bob of a pair. The bob was made by those concerned without a false blow being struck.

The promoters of the Belringers' Pilgrimage to the Holy Land (August 1st-August 15th) inform us that the tour is arousing much interest, and early booking is advised. Arrangements are in hand for ringing bells in both Galilee and Jerusalem areas. Tours on other dates are available. Full details Holy Land Advice Centre (R.W.), 6, Borrowdale Avenue, Ipswich.

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On Sat., Nov. 24, 1962, in 3 Hours and 40 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

A PEAL OF 5280 LAMBETH SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 26 cwt. 6 qr. 23 lb. in D.

MARYL R. CROSSTHWAITE .. Treble	JOHN H. FIELDEN 7
NEIL BENNETT 2	JOHN ROBINSON 8
TUDOR P. EDWARDS 3	EDWARD JENKINS 9
BASIL JONES 4	FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. 10
C. KENNETH LEWIS 5	DEREK OGDEN 11
JOHN WORTH 6	DENIS MOTTERTHEAD .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

First peal in the method by the Guild.

CHELTENHAM, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 8, 1962, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 22½ cwt.

PETER BAKER Treble	*WILLIAM J. NEWMAN .. 7
JOSEPH D. JOHNSON .. 2	CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. 8
*MRS. P. HARRIS 3	*†PETER T. HURCOMBE .. 9
MRS. J. THOMAS 4	*PATRICK HARRIS 10
SHIRLEY M. DREW 5	JOSEPH E. NEWMAN .. 11
VALERIE WILLARD 6	GEOFFREY R. DREW .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by JOSEPH D. JOHNSON.

* First peal of Stedman Cinques. † 75th peal.

Rung by six members of the Cheltenham and Hinton-on-the-Green bands respectively, to mark the conductor's 50. years of peal ringing.

TEN BELL PEALS

SLOUGH, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 10, 1962, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5093 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb.

EDWARD S. T. FARR .. Treble	A. JAMES GLASS 6
HOWARD OGLESBY 2	DAVID P. HILLING 7
JENNIFER SCENEY 3	WILFRED G. WILSON 8
WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. 4	FRANK T. BLAGROVE 9
REGINALD W. REX 5	ALBERT C. WENBAN .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRANK T. BLAGROVE

CHRISTCHURCH, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 24, 1962, in 3 Hours and 35 Minutes,

At THE PRIORY CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 29 cwt. in D.

ROGER BROADST Treble	*FRANK SOUTHWOOD .. 6
*JUDITH A. HARDING .. 2	*RON KIDDLE 7
*ROSS G. W. ROBERTSON .. 3	MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. 8
*ALAN A. PRICE 4	ARTHUR V. DAVIS 9
COLIN CONWAY 5	DAVID HOUSE Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by ARTHUR V. DAVIS.

* First peal on ten bells.

Rung in memory of Len Stone, late captain of the Priory band.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 8, 1962, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in E flat.

STEPHEN IVIN Treble	*ROBIN LEE 6
AVRIIL IVIN 2	STEWART F. KIMBER .. 7
*OLIVE D. TESTER 3	JOHN SCHOFIELD 8
JEAN L. LAVENDER 4	*COLIN A. TESTER 9
ROBERT W. HINDE 5	FRANK E. DARBY .. Tenor

Composed by J. A. BURFORD.

Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.

* First peal of Surprise Royal.

HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 8, 1962, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

No. 3 version.	Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in E flat.
ALBERT R. G. TWINN .. Treble	J. KEITH WARD 6
JOHN HILL 2	ROBIN G. LEALE 7
GILLIAN A. NEAL SMITH .. 3	FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. 8
KATHLEEN M. HIGGINS .. 4	FRANK T. BLAGROVE .. 9
ALAN E. BAGWORTH 5	*FRANK C. PRICE .. Tenor

Composed by FRANK E. DARBY.

Conducted by ROBIN G. LEALE.

* 200th peal.

Rung as a compliment to the Vicar, Preb. F. C. Tyler, on his birthday.

WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 8, 1962, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 19½ cwt.

PETER D. CHAPMAN .. Treble	CHARLES E. WILLMINGTON .. 6
BRIAN DOWNES 2	JOHN ARMSTRONG 7
AIDAN ST. J. BOYACK .. 3	†LIONEL S. WOODS 8
*MICHAEL J. HALLETT .. 4	ALFRED J. HOUSE 9
†DENNIS A. HBWITT .. 5	JOHN H. CRAMPION .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by JOHN H. CRAMPION.

* First peal of Surprise Royal. † First of Yorkshire Royal.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 10, 1962, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

*BRIAN W. G. ELLIOT .. Treble	GEOFFREY CRISP 5
BRYAN C. BURROUGH .. 2	BERNARD MATTHEWS .. 6
JOHN G. RANK 3	W. LESLIE WELLER 7
E. WINIFRED KEYS 4	GEOFFREY FRANCIS .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by GEORGE FRANCIS.

* First peal.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Miss Wendy Matthews.

BOLSTERSTONE, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Nov. 23, 1962, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt. in F sharp.

JOHN J. L. GILBERT .. Treble	R. HOWARD WOODALL .. 5
CYRIL RUSBY 2	NOEL F. MOXON 6
JOHN S. SEAGER 3	TREVOR TARBATT 7
HERMAN RUSBY 4	FREDERICK J. JACKSON .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY.

Conducted by JOHN J. L. GILBERT.

A tribute to John Redfearn Brearley, for many years Ringing Master and a lifelong ringer at this church, who died on August 25th; rung by a band representative of the Yorkshire Association, the Barnsley and Sheffield District Societies, to which bodies he gave devoted service.

BOWDON, CHESHIRE.

THE MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 24, 1962, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

*DAVID J. BAKER .. Treble	†JANET WARWICK 5
JOHN C. BALDWIN 2	DAVID W. JAMES 6
*EDNA M. POULTER 3	JOHN H. SOANES 7
†KEITH H. SCRIMSHAW .. 4	EDWARD F. P. BRYANT .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES ROBERTS.

Conducted by EDWARD F. P. BRYANT.

* First peal of Surprise. † First in the method. ‡ First of Surprise 'inside.'

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

EARDISLAND, HEREFORD.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Sat., Nov. 24, 1962, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb. in G.

ROSEMARY D. BRAY .. Treble	E. MARION KEY 5
COLIN SMITH 2	HOWARD HOWELL 6
*JAMES S. WIGHTMAN .. 3	IAN FRIEND 7
BARNABAS G. KEY 4	LESLIE EVANS Tenor

Composed by GEORGE HUGHES.

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

* First peal of Major. Mr. Leslie Evans has now 'circled the tower' three times.

Rung to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the dedication of the eight bells.

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 24, 1962, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part (seventh observation).	Tenor 19½ cwt.
FRANK MATRAVERS .. Treble	NIGEL J. MAGGS 5
REGINALD BEALE 2	JOHN T. LOCKE 6
*JAMES E. BREWER 3	WILLIAM E. TURNER .. 7
RAYMOND P. SELWAY .. 4	FRANCIS MORRIS .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM E. TURNER.

* First peal of Grandsire Triples.

Rung to welcome our new Vicar, the Rev. Arthur Drowley.

BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Thurs., Nov. 29, 1962, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes,

At THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP.

A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

MURIEL REAY Treble	GEORGE E. FEARN 5
RODERICK W. PIPE 2	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. 6
PETER S. BENNETT 3	CHARLES A. S. WEBB .. 7
GEOFFREY DAVIES 4	PETER BORDER Tenor

Composed by S. J. IVIN.

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

AYLESTONE, LEICESTER.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lb. in F.

SANDRA E. CHESTERTON .. Treble	KEITH H. MILDRED .. 5
*DAVID G. FARRAR .. 2	DAVID STAPLES .. 6
†CHRISTINE SANDERS .. 3	W. DAVID WARD .. 7
RUSSELL S. MORRIS .. 4	A. JAMES POYNOR .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by A. JAMES POYNOR.
* First peal. † First of Surprise. ‡ First of Surprise 'inside.'
Rung for the Feast of St. Andrew (Patron Saint).

BURWASH, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW.

A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

HERBERT W. WOOLVEN .. Treble	MONTY W. GILBERT .. 5
ROBERT T. LAMBERT .. 2	JOHN W. COLEMAN .. 6
W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON .. 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 7
TREVOR A. CROSS .. 4	MARTIN L. HOWE .. Tenor

Composed by C. K. LEWIS. Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.
100th peal as conductor. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. in G sharp.

COLEMAN'S HATCH, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

A PEAL OF 5184 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

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

DORIS E. COLGATE .. Treble	FRANK I. HAIRS .. 5
*ANN GEORGE .. 2	†EDWARD J. JENNER .. 6
†JANET H. BUSS .. 3	PHILIP A. CORBY .. 7
†ANDREW J. CORBY .. 4	†STANLEY JENNER .. Tenor

Composed by J. PARKER. Conducted by STANLEY JENNER.
* First peal in the method 'inside.' † First in the method.

DERBY.

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AND NORTH LEICESTERSHIRE ASSN.

On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parkei's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in E.
*WILLIAM ALLSOPP .. Treble	SIDNEY FOSKETT .. 5
†SAMPSON WALKLATE .. 2	DAVID K. WALKLATE .. 6
*KEVIN BETESTA .. 3	*ALAN H. BRIDGES .. 7
†FRANCIS R. LOWE .. 4	§COLIN ROADLEY .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID K. WALKLATE.
* First peal of Triples. † First of Grandsire Triples. ‡ 325th peal.
§ First peal. First of Grandsire Triples for the Association.
Rung for the Feast of St. Andrew.

HINCKLEY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

JUDITH A. M. COX .. Treble	RUSSELL S. MORRIS .. 5
BERYL E. CAWSE .. 2	GEOFFREY M. BREWIN .. 6
J. EDWARD CAWSE .. 3	EDWARD W. COLLEY .. 7
ALFRED BALLARD .. 4	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by J. EDWARD CAWSE.
A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Charlton, of Croft.
Tenor 22 cwt. 6 lb. in D.

MICKLETON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Holt's Original.	Tenor 15½ cwt.
FRED C. LYNE .. Treble	ALLAN G. FOSTER .. 5
ANTHONY J. BRAZIER .. 2	ROBERT W. COLE .. 6
COLLIN B. LONGMORE .. 3	FREDERICK KINCHIN .. 7
CLARENCE R. STEED .. 4	WILLIAM H. MALE .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. MALE.
A wedding anniversary tribute to the ringers of 2, 4 and 7.

RIPLEY, DERBYSHIRE.

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Taylor's Six-Part.	Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb. in F.
*DENNIS J. MURFIN .. Treble	FRANCIS R. LOWE .. 5
DOREEN M. MURFIN .. 2	DAVID W. PARKIN .. 6
JOHN A. DODD .. 3	JOHN F. MURFIN .. 7
MICHAEL A. WILLIS .. 4	*K. J. FAULKNER .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID W. PARKIN.
* First peal on eight bells.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam Frank F. Hill, a faithful ringer at Ripley for 60 years.

DURHAM SURPRISE ROYAL

By PETER J. STANFORTH

x 3.0 x 1.4 x 1.2 x 3.0; 1.4 x 1.4; 3.0; 1.4 x 1.4; 3.0; 1.4 x 3.4; 10.
1.2 lead-end.

Rung at Leicester on handbells.

SHRIVENHAM, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

A PEAL OF 5120 FORDCOMBE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 lb. in F.

PETER ANGER .. Treble	ERIC SUTTON .. 5
NEIL I. ALLNATT .. 2	GEORGE B. COLLINS .. 6
CHARLES COLES .. 3	EDWARD R. VENN .. 7
VICTOR GRIFFIN .. 4	ALAN R. PINK .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN L. MORRIS. Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.
First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Guild.

Rung for the Feast of St. Andrew.

TADCASTER, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5120 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 20 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in E flat.

J. NEVILLE PARKIN .. Treble	JEFFREY KERSHAW .. 5
GEOFFREY F. BRYANT .. 2	J. HENRY FIELDEN .. 6
J. MARTIN THORLEY .. 3	JOHN N. CHADDOCK .. 7
JOHN F. BRYANT .. 4	RICHARD E. PRICE .. Tenor

Composed by RICHARD F. B. SPEED. Conducted by RICHARD E. PRICE.

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THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, STRANTON.

A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. in F.

JOHN PLADDYS .. Treble	MICHAEL MAUGHAN .. 5
*J. IAN BOOTH .. 2	JACK ROACH .. 6
DORIS M. KILLINGLEY .. 3	THOMAS M. COX .. 7
PETER WISHART .. 4	FRED HODGSON .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN PLADDYS.
* First peal of Major. First of Major as conductor (aged 17).
For Advent; also compliments to the father and grandfather of the conductor, on their respective birthdays during the following week.

WOOLWICH, LONDON, S.E.

THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.

On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE.

A PEAL OF 5024

LLANFAIRPWLLGWYNGYLLGOGERYCHWYRNDROBWL
ANTYSILOGOGOGOGCH SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lb. in G.

MARILYN M. BARTON .. Treble	ANTHONY G. OSBORNE .. 5
YVONNE EDWARDS .. 2	NICHOLAS J. DAVIES .. 6
MARY S. TAYLOR .. 3	JOHN C. EISEL .. 7
MARCUS P. BARTON .. 4	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. Tenor

Composed by PHILIP G. K. DAVIES.
Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.
First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Society.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Dec. 5, 1962, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE.

A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, comprising 1,312 Bristol, 1,280 London, 1,280 Cambridge and 1,280 Superlative; with 112 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell. Tenor 12½ cwt.

OSWALD CLAYBROOK .. Treble	FRED JACKSON .. 5
TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. 2	CYRIL VALENTINE .. 6
DENIS MADDOCK .. 3	WALTER ALLMAN .. 7
JOHN E. BIBBY .. 4	FRANCIS BIBBY .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN. Conducted by TUDOR P. EDWARDS.

BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Thurs., Dec. 6, 1962, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP.

A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 10 lb. in A.

MAURICE C. HUGHES .. Treble	RODERICK W. PIPE .. 5
MURIEL REAY .. 2	GEOFFREY DAVIES .. 6
NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. 3	CHARLES A. S. WEBB .. 7
FRANK E. HAYNES .. 4	GEORGE E. FEARN .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. IVIN. Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

ARUNDEL, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 8, 1962, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 4 lb. in E.

LEONARD STILWELL .. Treble	HENRY C. WEAVER .. 5
*J. RICHARD WILSON .. 2	JOHN A. HOWARD .. 6
ERNEST TREAGUS .. 3	W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON .. 7
HERBERT W. WOOLVEN .. 4	FRANK H. HICKS .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by FRANK H. HICKS.
* First peal in the method.
Rung for the Patronal Festival of the church.

CHIPPING BARNET, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 8, 1962, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.

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

A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In six methods, comprising 960 London, 928 Watford, 896 Bristol and 832 each of Cambridge, Superlative and Pudsey: with 127 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell.

Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb.

RUTH M. FOREMAN Treble	S. BARRY SCHOFIELD 5
JEANNE E. BOTTOMLEY 2	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY 6
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY 3	VERNON BOTTOMLEY 7
LESLIE W. MORRIS 4	THOMAS J. LOCK Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN. Conducted by G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY.

CHOBHAM, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 8, 1962, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.

DENNIS G. BLOWS Treble	JOHN F. M. MAYBREY 5
*CHRISTOPHER K. HILL 2	†JAMES W. PRIEST 6
ROY COLLINS 3	E. JOHN WELLS 7
DUDLEY P. ELSMORE 4	G. KENNETH WILLIAMSON Tenor

Composed and Conducted by E. JOHN WELLS.

* First peal on eight bells. † First of Major. The conductor's 150th peal. The tenor ringer has 'circled the tower.'

DERBY, DERBYSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 8, 1962, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

Being four methods: London, Bristol, Cambridge and Superlative.

Tenor 19½ cwt. in D flat.

REDVERS F. ELKINGTON .. Treble	WILLIAM A. LACEY 5
GEOFFREY M. BREWIN 2	DENIS A. FRITH 6
*JOHN M. JELLEY 3	†R. KINGSLEY MASON 7
MARTIN C. FAULKES 4	JOHN E. COOK Tenor

Composed by E. C. S. TURNER. Conducted by JOHN E. COOK.

* First peal of 4-Spliced on tower bells. † First 'inside.'

EAST MEON, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 8, 1962, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 18 lb. in E.

ANTHONY R. CARTER .. Treble	STANLEY G. PONTING 5
BRYAN C. BURROUGH 2	BERNARD E. MATTHEWS 5
WILLIAM T. BEESON 3	FREDERICK W. ROGERS 7
C. ERNEST SMITH 4	W. LESLIE WELLER Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSON. Conducted by FREDERICK W. ROGERS.

First peal in the method on the bells.

ECCLESTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 8, 1963, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb.

J. WILLIAM CLARKE .. Treble	JOHN E. BROUGH 5
CHARLES W. LAWTON 2	HARRY W. HOWARD 6
MRS. C. W. LAWTON 3	JOHN W. GRIFFITHS 7
JOHN R. BIBBY 4	WALTER ALLMAN Treble

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by JOHN W. GRIFFITHS.

In memoriam Samuel Jones, 1868-1962.

GREAT DUNMOW, ESSEX.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Sat., Dec. 8, 1962, in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In six methods, being 960 London, 928 Watford, 896 Bristol and 832 each of Cambridge, Superlative and Pudsey: with 127 changes of method, and all the work of each method for each bell.

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb. in E.

PETER J. EVES Treble	PETER BERESFORD 5
JOAN BERESFORD 2	DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS 6
JOE E. G. ROAST 3	*FRANK J. MATTHEWS 7
PATRICK W. SALTMARSH .. 4	DENNIS BERESFORD Tenor

Composed by ALBERT J. PITMAN. Conducted by DENNIS BERESFORD.

* First peal of 6-Spliced Surprise.

FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Nov. 8, 1962, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents, called differently. Tenor 17 cwt. 4 lb. in F.

STUART J. CORSON Treble	ANTHONY E. STAMP 4
*DOUGLAS P. SNOSWELL 2	RONALD H. DOVE 5
JOHN WEAVER 3	C. BARRIE DOVE Tenor

Conducted by C. BARRIE.

* First peal. First of Minor in the tower.

In honour of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilkinson.

CHELFORD, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Nov. 23, 1962, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

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

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents of Oxford, two of Kent and three of Plain Bob.

F. GEORGE FORRESTER .. Treble	JOHN RYDER 4
PETER WM. HORN 2	HAROLD WORRALL 5
BRIAN SCHOFIELD 3	ERNEST PIMLOTT Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST PIMLOTT. Tenor 8½ cwt.

CALDECOTE, RUTLAND.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 24, 1962, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

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

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In two methods, being 12 extents of St. Simon's (four callings) and 30 of Plain Bob (four callings). Tenor 8 cwt. 15 lb. in G.

*SUSAN E. FERGUSON .. Treble	†SHEILA J. STALEY 3
†CHRISTINE H. SHARMAN .. 2	ANTHONY D. SANSOM 4

FRANK E. CROSIER .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK E. CROSIER.

* First peal. † First of Doubles. First as conductor.

SPONDON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 24, 1962, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WERBURGH.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb. in G.

DOREEN M. MURFIN .. Treble	JOHN A. DODD 4
ELIZABETH HOLMES 2	DAVID W. PARKIN 5
DENNIS J. MURFIN 3	JOHN F. MURFIN Tenor

Conducted by JOHN F. MURFIN.

TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 24, 1962, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

A PEAL OF 5040 APRIL DAY DOUBLES

Being 42 extents. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in F sharp.

*DIANA CHAPMAN .. Treble	ALAN F. LEE 4
DAVID A. BURT 2	LESLIE J. COX 5
LESLIE R. G. TAYLOR 3	*STANLEY DAVIS Tenor

Conducted by ALAN F. LEE.

* First peal attempt. First in the variation by all, on the bells, and for the Association.

Rung as an engagement compliment to Jean Palmer and Alan Lee.

CREECH ST. MICHAEL, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Nov. 28, 1962, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 15 cwt.

FRANK MATRAVERS .. Treble	*JAMES E. BREWER 4
WALTER H. POOLE 2	REGINALD BEALE 5
ARTHUR H. READ 3	†NIGEL J. MAGGS Tenor

Conducted by NIGEL J. MAGGS.

* First peal of Minor. † First of Minor as conductor.

WINTHORPE, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Nov. 28, 1962, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS AND BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being one 240 Morris' and 40 120's (ten callings). Tenor 9 cwt., approx.

*VALERIE J. WILSON .. Treble	DENNIS SIMPSON 4
†MRS. LAVINIA MUMFORD .. 2	JOHN R. PRATCHETT 5
MARGARET E. CHILTON 3	ROGER MUMFORD Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. PRATCHETT.

* First peal attempt. † First of Grandsire Doubles.

Rung in honour of the birth of a son to the Rev. and Mrs. D. Davies, of Winthorpe.

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THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Nov. 28, 1962, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In five methods, viz.: One extent St. Clement's, two Cambridge Surprise, one Kent T.B., one Oxford T.B. and two Plain Bob.

DAVID VINCENT Treble	GEOFFREY FOTHERGILL .. 4
JAMES CUNLIFFE 2	H. DAVID HOLLAND 5
IAN MUNRO 3	JOHN ASHCROFT Tenor

Conducted by JOHN ASHCROFT. Tenor 16 cwt.

HIGHAM-ON-THE-HILL, LEICESTERSHIRE
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Nov. 29, 1962, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.	Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb.
*IVAN S. MERRY Treble	†CHRISTOPHER P. RICE .. 4
*K. PAUL GILLIVER 2	JOHN WATKINS 5
LAURENCE WATKINS 3	†BRIAN L. BURROWS Tenor

Jointly Conducted by BRIAN L. BURROWS and JOHN WATKINS.

* First peal. † First of Plain Bob Minor on tower bells. ‡ First of Plain Bob Minor.

Rung by the scholars of Hinckley Grammar School to mourn the departure of Christopher P. Rice.

SEALE, SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Nov. 29, 1962, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven 720's.	Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb.
*SYLVIA J. LATE-MITCHELL Treble	†ALAN D. ELSMORE 4
ERNEST GARDNER 2	†DUDLEY P. ELSMORE .. 5
†CECIL POYNITZ 3	†TOM PAGE Tenor

Conducted by TOM PAGE.

* First peal. † First of Plain Bob Minor. ‡ First of Minor.

Rung for the retirement of the Rev. E. A. Gardiner, Vicar of Seale.

ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

(and the Burnley and District Schools Society).

On Fri., Nov. 30, 1962, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (four callings).	Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in G.
ROGER LEIGH Treble	*ANTHONY J. HALLIWELL .. 3
MICHAEL W. H. BIRTWISTLE 2	E. J. FREDERICK WALL .. 4

R. JAMES PARKER .. Tenor

Conducted by ROGER LEIGH.

* First peal 'inside.'

Rung as a 16th birthday compliment to R. James Parker.

ALGARKIRK, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF 5040 BEVERLEY SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents.	Tenor 12 cwt.
*DEREK J. JONES Treble	ROGER D. BAILEY 4
FRANK TAYLOR 2	KEITH R. DAVEY 5
HAROLD BARSLEY 3	ALAN G. PAYNE Tenor

Conducted by ALAN G. PAYNE.

* First peal of Surprise. First of Surprise as conductor. First in the method by all.

Rung to celebrate the tercentenary of the installation of the bells.

BOZEAT, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 11 methods: Four extents of Stedman, Grandsire, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, All Saints, Plain Bob, St. Simon's, Winchendon Place, St. John's, Old Bob, and two of April Day.	
GRAHAM C. PAUL Treble	RICHARD J. DANBY 3
ROGER W. SMITH 2	ALAN A. PAUL 4

GEORGE F. ROOME .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE F. ROOME.

Rung for the Festival of St. Andrew; also to mark the 50th anniversary of the first peal on these bells.

CAWTHORNE, BARNSLEY.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

In 15 methods: (1) College Exercise, Duke of Norfolk, Norbury, Ockley and Morning Star; (2) City Delight; (3) Arnold's Victory; (4) College Pleasure; (5) Duke of York; (6) Violet; (7) London Scholars'; Sandal, Kingston, Chapel and Oxford.	
*CHRISTINE SAVILLE Treble	HERMAN RUSBY 4
*SUSAN PEACE 2	†TREVOR TARBATT 5
FRED COWLING 3	†NOEL F. MOXON Tenor

Conducted by NOEL F. MOXON.

* First peal in 15 methods. † 25th peal together.

Rung fully-muffled as a tribute to J. R. Brearley, of Bolsterstone, and J. H. Pardoe, churchwarden at Cawthorne for many years.

EDGMOND, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents, differently called. Tenor 9 cwt., approx.

ERNEST MORRALL Treble	†HORACE R. TOOGOOD .. 4
PETER MORRIS 2	*RICHARD E. MORRIS .. 5
*MARY C. POYNOR 3	HARRY POYNOR Tenor

Conducted by HARRY POYNOR.

* 25th peal together. † First peal.

FARNWORTH (WIDNES), LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being an extent each of Wells, London, Durham, York, Surfleet, Beverley and Cambridge. Tenor 10 cwt. 7 lb. in A.

*V. DAVID JENNER Treble	ALEXANDER J. MARTIN .. 4
*KENNETH J. HESKETH .. 2	CHARLES B. PEMBERTON .. 5
JOHN H. FIELDEN 3	TUDOR P. EDWARDS Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES B. PEMBERTON.

* First peal of Minor. First of Surprise on the bells since being recast in 1956.

GOOSNARGH, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(Preston Branch.)

On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 9 cwt.

*STANLEY WALMSLEY .. Treble	†THOMAS TURNER 4
†JAMES E. SUMNER 2	†MICHAEL ARROWSMITH .. 5
†JOHN NELSON 3	†BERNARD MOSS Tenor

Conducted by STANLEY WALMSLEY.

* 50th peal. † First peal. ‡ First of Plain Bob Minor. § First of Minor.

Rung to welcome Canon A. Hodgson as the new Vicar.

GRANBY, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, Double Court, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

THOMAS G. GOODWIN .. Treble	Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F.
J. DAVID CLARKE 2	RICHARD C. L. BROWN .. 4
DAVID J. ORLEDGE 3	WILLIAM L. EXTON 5
	DAVID W. FRIEND Tenor

Conducted by DAVID W. FRIEND.

Rung as a farewell to the Rev. G. F. Marson on his retirement after 21 years as Vicar of Granby, and to Mrs. Marson. It was during his ministry and by his help that these bells were rehung and later augmented to six.

HAMBLEDEN, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THÉ-VIRGIN.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 11 cwt. 25 lb. in F sharp.

*JOHN M. GOODCHILD .. Treble	JOHN YOUNG 4
E. DENNIS POOLE 2	DAVID A. CORNWALL .. 5
ROYSTON BLACKLER 3	ROGER G. HAZELL Tenor

Conducted by ROGER G. HAZELL.

* First peal.

Rung to celebrate the engagement of Princess Alexandra to Angus Ogilvy.

LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(The St. Peter's, Leeds, Society.)

On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW, CHAPEL ALLERTON,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Comprising ten extents of April Day and 32 of Plain Bob.

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb. in B flat.	
*CHARLES J. WATKINSON .. Treble	ANTHONY E. STAMP .. 4
C. BARRIE DOVE 2	RONALD M. DOVE 5
†STUART J. CORSON 3	†RODNEY SMITH Tenor

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

* First peal away from cover bell. † First 'inside.' ‡ First peal attempt.

MODBURY, DEVON.

THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb. in E.

GRAHAM D. CARTER Treble	ARTHUR F. BURLEY 4
V. MARY MATTHEWS 2	ANTHONY J. DAVIDSON .. 5
ALAN CARVETH 3	ROBERT A. SOUTHWOOD .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT A. SOUTHWOOD.

Believed to be the first peal on the bells.

HANDBELL PEALS

LONDON, E.C.

THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.

On Wed., Nov. 21, 1962, in 2 Hours,

IN THE BELFRY OF ST. VEDAST'S, FOSTER LANE.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

JOHN C. EISEL ... 1—2 | BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE ... 3—4

*NICHOLAS J. DAVIES ... 5—6

Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

* First peal of Minor 'in hand.'

A 21st birthday compliment to Nicholas J. Davies.

HARROW, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Nov. 30, 1962, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes,

AT 170, HEADSTONE LANE.

A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

THOMAS J. LOCK ... 1—2 | JOHN R. MAYNE ... 5—6

CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY ... 3—4 | FRANK C. PRICE ... 7—8

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

HINTON-ON-THE-GREEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 2 Hours and 6 Minutes,

At No. 29.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 six-scores (ten callings). Tenor size 12 in F.

MRS. J. THOMAS ... 1—2 | JOSEPH D. JOHNSON ... 3—4

MRS. T. W. LEWIS ... 5—6

Conducted by JOSEPH D. JOHNSON.

Rung on the 50th anniversary of the handbell peal of Grandsire Doubles, rung by a brother and two sisters at the average age of 12 years 2 months—an age record which still stands.

Rung on the same bells with same conductor calling the six-scores in the same order.

SHREWSBURY, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Dec. 2, 1962, in 2 Hours and 11 Minutes,

AT 5, WOODFIELD ROAD.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents, differently called. Tenor size 15 in C sharp.

*MARY C. POYNER ... 1—2 | HARRY POYNER ... 3—4

†MICHAEL R. WYCHERLEY ... 5—6

Conducted by HARRY POYNER.

* 50th peal for the Association. † First 'in hand.'

BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(The Humphrey Perkins School Campanological Society)

On Sun., Dec. 2, 1962, in 1 Hour and 26 Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In eight methods, being five extents each of St. Columb, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Clifford's Pleasure, Southrepps, Old, Kennington, April Day, Plain Bob and two of Grandsire. Tenor size 11 in G.

MALCOLM D. BARSBY ... 1—2 | B. STEDMAN PAYNE ... 3—4

MICHAEL WHITE ... 5—6

Conducted by B. STEDMAN PAYNE.

BUSHEY, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Mon., Dec. 3, 1962, in 1 Hour and 41 Minutes,

AT AMERICAN SCHOOL, BUSHEY HALL,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford Bob, St. Clement's Bob, Double Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor size 7 in D.

S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN ... 1—2 | ANTHONY R. MANN ... 3—4

ROGER BALDWIN ... 5—6

Conducted by ROGER BALDWIN.

MANCHESTER, LANCAHIRE.

THE MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD

On Thurs., Dec. 6, 1962, in 2 Hours,

AT 80, TALBOT ROAD, OLD TRAFFORD.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents, each called differently. Tenor size 15 in C sharp.

*†MARY BROWNE ... 1—2 | EDWARD F. P. BRYANT ... 3—4

†JOHN C. BALDWIN ... 5—6

Conducted by EDWARD F. P. BRYANT.

* First peal of Minor. † First 'in hand.'

BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(The Humphrey Perkins School Campanological Society)

On Fri., Dec. 7, 1962, in 1 Hour and 13 Minutes,

AT THE HUMPHREY PERKINS SCHOOL.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor size 15 in C.

RUPERT A. CLARKE ... 1—2 | DAVID F. MOORE ... 3—4

B. STEDMAN PAYNE ... 5—6

Conducted by RUPERT A. CLARKE.

QUARTER PEALS

ADDINGTON, SURREY.—On Dec. 2nd, 1,260 Minor (Kent T.B. and Plain Bob): R. Rayfield 1, C. H. Macve 2, Janet H. Buss 3, P. J. Milton 4, J. D. Faircloth 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6. For Confirmation service.

ALBURY, SURREY.—On Dec. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Nursey 1, G. Etherington 2, M. Applebe 3, W. H. Harrison 4, H. Arthur (cond.) 5, C. Bailey 6. A farewell to W. H. Harrison, captain of local band.

BLEWBURY, BERKS.—On Dec. 1st, 1,344 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: H. L. Bishop 1, R. A. Partridge (first in method) 2, W. Irving 3, A. Greenhough 4, E. O. Davies 5, E. Garrard 6, J. P. Bond 7, R. B. Bond (cond.) 8.

BURNLEY, LANCs.—On Nov. 27th, at St. Peter's Church, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Judith P. Winterbottom (first quarter) 1, R. Smith 2, Mary J. Smith 3, R. A. Bolt 4, J. Pilkington 5, R. J. Parker (first of Minor as cond.) 6, F. Wall (cove) 8.

CAMBRIDGE.—At St. Andrew the Great, on Dec. 2nd, 1,280 Spliced Superlative, Yorkshire and Cambridge Surprise Major: C. H. Rogers 1, Miss C. Dillamore 2, I. M. Smith 3, S. C. Walters 4, A. S. Hudson (cond.) 5, V. Nutton 6, D. J. Munday 7, J. R. Hough 8. Rung for Evensong.

EXHALL, WARWICKS.—On Nov. 25th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: I. P. Unsworth (first Treble Bob) 1, K. F. Gardner (first in method) 2, G. P. Hammond (first in method) 3, J. A. Underwood 4, G. Pratt 5, D. J. Allen (first in method and first of Minor as cond.) 6.

HATHERN, LEICS.—On Sept. 30th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: R. Lacey 1, V. Lacey 2, J. Exon 3, D. Swift 4, R. Carter 5, T. Harris (cond.) 6. Also on Oct. 28th, 1,296 Hull S. Minor: J. Exon 1, V. Lacey 2, C. Cowley 3, D. Swift 4, R. Carter 5, T. Harris (cond.) 6.

HEAVITREE, EXETER.—On Dec. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. Welch (first quarter) 1, Jean F. Barnett 2, Celia J. Bland (first of Triples) 3, M. F. Lock 4, B. Thompson 5, A. T. Truman 6, F. Wreford (cond.) 7, F. Wills 8.

HODNET, SALOP.—On Nov. 17th, 1,260 Kent Treble Bob Major: P. Morris 1, R. G. Newton 2, F. Leech 3, Mrs. E. M. Key 4, B. G. Key (cond.) 5, F. Beddows 6, E. V. Rodenhurst 7, R. E. Morris 8. A compliment to the Vicar and his wife, on their wedding anniversary.

HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.—On Nov. 30th, 1,260 Spliced Stedman and Grandsire Triples: C. E. Hughes 1, S. Penfold 2, J. Carrott 3, Miss J. Peacock 4, A. J. Salisbury 5, F. V. Gant (cond.) 6, C. E. Willmington 7, J. McPhail 8. For Patronal Evensong.

ELING, HANTS.—On Nov. 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. M. P. White 1, M. D. G. Northway 2, J. Hartless (cond.) 3, C. M. White 4, P. R. Parsons (first inside) 5, B. Mackrell (first quarter) 6.

FULHAM, LONDON.—On Nov. 18th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: Mrs. M. Barton 1, Mrs. D. E. Sibson 2, Miss P. M. Fennell 3, M. P. Barton 4, P. Erith 5, N. J. Davies 6, J. R. Cooper 7, J. C. Eisel 8, D. E. Sibson (cond.) 9, B. J. Woodruffe 10. For Evensong.

GREAT ADDINGTON, NORTHANTS.—On Dec. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss S. Coulson 1, J. Mills 2, Miss C. Sharman 3, Miss Ferguson 4, A. D. Sansom 5, F. E. Crosier (cond.) 6. Rung for Holy Eucharist.

HALIFAX, YORKS.—On Nov. 11th, at All Souls' Church, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. S. Moulds 1, G. F. Bryant 2, Mrs. P. Knight 3, Miss A. Flather (first of Stedman) 4, J. H. Fielden 5, J. N. Parkin 6, R. E. Moulds (cond.) 7, J. F. Bryant 8. Rung half-muffled in Remembrance of the Fallen.

HORNCASTLE, Lincs.—On Nov. 24th, 1,440 Minor (Cambridge Supice, Double Court): Miss V. Richardson 1, H. Bennett 2, S. E. Bennett 3, A. Mills 4, E. T. Chapman 5, R. C. Noon (cond.) 6. In honour of the 21st birthday of Miss Jean Bennett, daughter of the ringer of the second.

MAIDSTONE, KENT.—At All Saints', on Dec. 2nd, 1,295 Grandsire Caters: A. D. Macfadyen (first of Caters) 1, Mrs. T. Cullingworth 2, W. T. Grice 3, R. E. Lambert 4, T. E. Sone (cond.) 5, B. F. L. Groves 6, F. C. Hogan 7, T. Cullingworth 8, T. A. Cross 9, F. Thwaites 10. For Evensong.

MISTLEY, ESSEX.—On Nov. 26th, 1,260 Minor (five methods): Cleoni Gardner 1, G. Waterman 2, Frances Smith 3, Gillian Brown 4, A. E. Honeywood 5, U. Wiklney (cond.) 6. First in five methods 1, 3 and 4.

NANTWICH, CHESHIRE.—On Nov. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss E. F. Basford (first quarter) 1, H. G. Smith 2, A. Merrill 3, T. S. Astbury 4, E. J. Boffey 5, J. E. Brough (cond.) 6, F. Ollier 7, W. Smith 8. Rung for Edmund Wright's Charity.

NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.—At St. George's, Jesmond, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss D. A. Yeates 1, Miss S. Scott 2, A. R. Patterson 3, M. Maughan 4, P. Ebsworth 5, A. C. Bolton (cond.) 6. Half-muffled on Remembrance Day Evensong.

NEWTON VALENCE, HANTS.—On Nov. 17th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): A. T. Hawkins 1, B. B. Hullah 2, F. W. Ellis 3, P. Murduck 4, A. R. Carter (cond.) 5.

OXFORD.—At the University Church of St. Mary the Virgin, on Nov. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Roaf 1, Miss C. C. Macnair 2, T. Freeman 3, A. J. Thomson 4, J. E. Camp (cond.) 5, F. J. Nelson 6. Rung half-muffled for Evensong on Remembrance Day.

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.—On Nov. 18th, 1,280 Oxford Treble Bob Major: W. Ward 1, P. Bedford 2, Miss S. Hayward 3, F. May 4, M. Sinden 5, W. Ellis 6, G. Sandwell 7, M. Hallett (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

WELLESBOURNE, WARWICKS.—On Nov. 24th, 1,320 Coventry Delight Minor: M. C. Hughes 1, I. C. Maycock 2, Susan Funnell 3, Ann E. Fellows 4, P. J. Rothera 5, P. S. Bennett (cond.) 6.

WIMBLEDON, SURREY.—1,260 Stedman Triples: Judith Geiringer (first in the method) 1, Joan Beresford (cond.) 2, Margaret Lewis 3, Susan Rawlings 4, A. Bagworth 5, K. Newman 6, A. Bishop 7, R. Mays 8. Rung as a compliment to Susan Rawlings and Ken Newman on their engagement, and for Evensong.

WOLVERCOTE, OXON.—On Nov. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss D. Smith 1, E. R. Venn 2, N. Chamberlain 3, J. Venn 4, P. J. Heritage (cond.) 5, J. L. Taylor 6. After Matins, on the annual Ringers' Sunday.

WORPLESDON, SURREY.—1,260 Plain Bob Minor (with tenor covering): J. Collier 1, R. Tickner 2, Susan Rawlings 3, F. Cherryman 4, C. Slyfield 5, K. Newman (cond.) 6, R. Jordan 8. Rung for morning service, and as a compliment to the ringers of 3 and 6, on their engagement.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Wishing all our ringing friends everywhere a happy Christmas, a good table and all that goes to make it so, and a prosperous and bright New Year.—N.S.T.G., Nailsea, in the county of Zummerzet. 1623

The Rev. PETER N. BOND sends warm and sincere greetings for a happy and holy Christmas and prosperous and successful New Year to all ringing friends, especially fellow Cumberlands. 1594

Ringers of Suffolk and friends everywhere, especially those who assisted our outings, a very merry Christmas, and all all ladies a cordial welcome to our county in 1963. No Anti-belles.—LES BRETT, Framsdon. 1616

To all our friends, especially those in Portsmouth, Bournemouth and Christchurch, and to those further afield in Somerset, Cornwall and Devon, also to those in Nottinghamshire, a happy Christmas to everyone.—ALAN BUSWELL and COLLEEN TAYLOR. 1624

IRIS E. DOWN and DAVID M. C. HILL wish to convey the compliments of the season to all their ringing friends, and especially to Mr. F. J. Hazzard, of Templecombe, and the members of the 'Wednesday' Surprise band. 1617

PAUL and MARY FIELD, 17, Stonehill, Soke-sub-Hamdon, extend best wishes for Christmas and 1963 to all their ringing friends. 1610

A very happy Christmas and successful New Year to all ringers and friends, especially to members of the Winchester and Portsmouth and Sussex Guilds. Rambling Ringers and St Christopher Guild.—Mr. and Mrs. S. J. HARDING, Catherington. 1628

Christmas greetings and good cheer for the coming year, to all ringing friends.—J. ARTHUR HOARE, Swansea, Glam. 1592

Christmas greetings to all members and friends of the Sussex County Association, remembering especially at this time those who are ill and those no longer able to ring.—From REG JOHNSON. 1626

Christmas greetings and all good wishes for 1963 to all ringing friends, from C. LONGHURST, West Grinstead. 1605

Best wishes for happiness at Christmas and throughout the New Year. To all ringing friends, from DENIS MOTTERHEAD, Wilmslow, Cheshire. 1622

From Mr. and Mrs. A. J. PITMAN, Leamington Spa, to all ringing friends, wishing you good ringing over Christmas and coming year. 1597

To all ringers and friends, old and new, everywhere, our sincere best wishes for a very happy Christmas, with good health and happiness throughout 1963.—Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM SHEPHERD, Addlestone, Surrey. 1625

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. SMALLWOOD extend warmest greetings to all ringing friends, and hope they will enjoy a happy Christmas, with peace, prosperity and good health in 1963.—5, Stanton Close, Darley Dale, Matlock. 1593

I wish all my ringing friends, wherever they may be, a very merry Christmas and the best of health and happiness in the coming year.—Evelyn Steel. 1609

ST. MARY'S, ROUGHAM, SUFFOLK, ringers send Christmas greetings and best wishes for a happy New Year to all their ringing friends.—L. Wright, Tower Secretary. 1595

E. DERBYSHIRE & N. NOTTS ASSOCIATION

There was a good attendance at the Association's meeting at North Wingfield, Derbys (8.17 cwt), on December 1st. Ringing was from 5.30 to 7 p.m., when a business meeting was held in the belfry, at which the rector (the Rev. Norman Joyce) welcomed the visitors to the parish.

Ringing was resumed at 7.30 p.m., under the guidance of Mr. A. Smithson (president). Methods rung included Cambridge, Stedman Triples, Plain Bob and Kent T.B. M. J. K.

QUARTER PEALS

BATTLE, SUSSEX.—On Dec. 3rd, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: Valerie Mephram 1, A. R. Baldock 2, G. Pullinger 3, Jill Lenham (first of Triples) 4, I. V. J. Smith (first of Triples as cond.) 5, T. M. Barlow (first of Triples 'inside') 6, J. W. T. Smith (first of Triples) 7, R. W. R. Percy 8. Rung as a welcome home to the ringer of the 7th, who has been serving with H.M. Forces in Nepal for the past 24 years.

BLEWBURY, BERKS.—On Dec. 9th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: H. W. Dunsden 1, Mary Wells 2, H. L. Bishop 3, E. J. Grace 4, A. R. T. Greenough 5, C. Corderoy 6, R. B. Blond (cond.) 7, P. Corderoy 8. For morning service.

BRIDGERULE, DEVON.—On Dec. 9th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: J. W. Sangwin 1, J. Bowdon 2, W. H. Cholwill 3, R. G. Pearce 4, R. Hill 5, H. Trewin 6, H. Stacey (cond.) 7, C. J. Cholwill 8. Rung after Evensong.

BROOMFIELD, ESSEX.—On Dec. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Marion R. Panton 1, G. Nicholls 2, Janet Groves 3, A. R. Groves 4, M. J. Cowling 5, I. R. Panton (cond.) 6. For Confirmation.

BURSTOW, SURREY.—On Dec. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: L. W. Penfold 1, G. Charlton 2, D. Wilson 3, G. Sweet (first quarter) 4, A. J. Bull (cond.) 5, H. H. Padbury 6. A compliment to H.R.H. Princess Alexandra, on her betrothal to Mr. Angus Ogilvy. Also on Dec. 9th, 1,260 Grand-sire and Plain Bob Doubles: Janet C. Sherlock 1, L. W. Penfold 2, R. Padbury 3, A. J. Bull (cond.) 4, G. Charlton 5, H. H. Padbury 6. For Matins, and in memoriam Mr. F. Hoad, of Reigate.

CAWTHORNE, BARNESLEY.—On Nov. 25th, 1,260 Minor (three methods): W. Broadhead 1, Christine Saville 2, F. Cowling 3, G. Graham (first quarter) 4, H. Rusby 5, N. F. Moxon (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Capt. J. H. Pardoe, churchwarden.

CHELSEA, LONDON.—On Dec. 2nd, at the Church of St. Luke, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: Jennifer Young 1, Kathleen Baker 2, Helen Loasby (first quarter) 3, Gillian Sims (first 'inside') 4, Veronica E. Dupre 5, C. W. Outley 6, R. F. Overington (cond.) 7, A. F. Udall 8. For Advent Sunday.

COBHAM, SURREY.—On Dec. 1st, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: A. H. Smith 1, Jane Shepherd (first 'inside') 2, S. Thornton 3, A. F. Wren 4, W. E. Matthews 5, A. W. Holden (first as cond.) 6. A farewell to the Rev. F. W. Crooks, Vicar, who is moving to Haslemere.

CROYDON, SURREY.—On Dec. 2nd, at the Church of St. John the Baptist, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: G. H. Humphries 1, E. Razzell 2, Mrs. P. Humphries 3, K. Taber 4, N. Brown 5, R. Stevens 6, N. Steere (cond.) 7, R. Abbott 8.

CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.—On Dec. 2nd, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: Miss S. Radmore 1, Miss R. Stevens 2, R. V. Johnson 3, E. Packham 4, J. Jeffrey 5, J. Herbeque 6, F. F. Godsmark (cond.) 7, E. Brett 8. For Advent Sunday. Also a birthday compliment to E. Packham.

EASTWOOD, YORKS.—On Oct. 15th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: R. Lindsay 1, D. Nichols 2, D. G. French 3, N. Donaven 4, F. Fisher 5, S. R. Armeson (cond.) 6. Rung as a thanksgiving to mark the opening after rebuilding of the Eastwood Methodist Mission Church.

EDMONTON, MIDDY.—On Dec. 2nd, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: Sheila Moore (first quarter, aged 14) 1, Christine Bowen 2, Trudy Newcombe 3, H. Howson 4, T. Hawkins 5, D. Bowen (cond.) 6, D. Langdon 7, J. Nixon 8. For Evensong.

FINDON, SUSSEX.—On Dec. 2nd, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: L. Stilwell 1, H. Wakelam 2, Mrs. J. E. Maple 3, D. Ockenden (first 'inside') 4, J. R. Maple (cond.) 5, J. Charman 6.

GOXHILL, Lincs.—On Dec. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Crowder 1, S. Bromfield 2, N. Bell 3, W. A. Crowder 4, M. W. Crowder 5, S. Neave (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled as a tribute of affection to John Vernon Hepworth.

HALBERTON, DEVON.—On Dec. 5th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: F. Emmett 1, G. Hollis 2, G. Court 3, J. Upton 4, W. H. Ware (cond.) 5, J. Kelland 6. By the Tiverton St Peter's Society. For Advent.

HIGHCLERE, HANTS.—On Nov. 25th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: W. Kewell (first of Minor) 1, G. K. Dodd 2, G. D. Weston 3, D. G. Papworth 4, P. Murduck 5, R. F. Crook (cond.) 6. For the annual church and bellringers' festival.

KILBURN, LONDON.—At St. Augustine's Church, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: Christine Bradburn 1, C. E. Lankester 2, J. A. M. Salter 3, Rosemary Rich 4, D. A. H. Bennett 5, Lawrence Smith 6, D. C. Birkinshaw 7, R. B. Meadows (cond.) 8.

LACOCK, WILTS.—On Dec. 2nd, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: K. Davis (first quarter) 1, T. Button 2, C. Box 3, R. Lovelock 4, R. Button (first as cond.) 5, B. Lewis 6. For Evensong. First quarter on the bells by a Sunday service band.

LEWTRENCARD, DEVON.—On Dec. 3rd, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: W. H. Marks 1, Miss R. J. Marks (first on an 'inside' bell) 2, T. G. Myers (cond.) 3, H. F. Myers 4, W. G. Lavers 5, L. Cundy 6. Rung to speed Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Bould on their honeymoon, following their wedding at Tavistock Parish Church earlier this day.

LONDON.—At St. Clement Danes', on Dec. 9th, 1,360 Kent Treble Bob Major: M. Sprackling 1, Miss M. Lewis 2, C. A. Hughes 3, G. M. Harvey 4, A. M. Stacey 5, J. Marks 6, R. Cadamy (first in method) 7, A. Fulwell 8, W. Oatway 9, W. G. Wilson (cond.) 10. For Matins.

MOSSLEY, LANCs.—On Nov. 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. D. Holt 1, J. B. Thorp (first of Minor) 2, G. Nield (first as cond.) 3, M. Rigby 4, W. H. Nield 5, J. Brannan 6. First quarter peal by a local band for over 50 years.

NETHERHAMPTON, WILTS.—On Dec. 10th, 1,260 Original Singles: A. Lucas 1, N. Skelton 2, A. Clayton (cond.) 3. Umpire: James Alaxender.

NORTH BRADLEY, WILTS.—On Dec. 9th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: R. Knight (first quarter) 1, P. Harding 2, F. Slafford (cond.) 3, R. Mitchell 4, A. Knight 5, D. Knight 6, E. Hitchens 7, G. Schwartz 8. For the Feast of St. Nicholas.

NORTON, HERTS.—On Dec. 10th, 1,344 Bob Triples: R. Sheldrick 1, J. R. Castledine (cond.) 2, J. S. Dear 3, Elizabeth Wills 4, E. G. Buck 5, T. Hatchett (first of Triples) 6, Jean Sanderson 7, C. Worboys 8. First quarter 1 and 8.

OAKHAM, RUTLAND.—On Dec. 2nd, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: Mrs. B. Buswell 1, B. M. Buswell (cond.) 2, R. J. Hill 3, A. J. Stimson 4, M. Stimson 5, J. Stimson 6, A. Jaques 7, R. H. Cook 8.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.—On Dec. 9th, at St. Andrew's, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (with tenor behind): Miss R. J. Marks 1, J. W. Perkins 3, W. G. Lavers 4, S. O'Shaughnessy 5, F. E. Day 6, T. G. Myers (cond.) 7, A. W. Myers 8. For Evensong.

PRITTEWELL, ESSEX.—On Dec. 9th, 1,259 Grand-sire Caters: Miss R. Carr 1, Miss J. E. Rowe 2, Mrs. A. C. Brown 3, B. C. Sadler 4, L. J. Beal 5, J. W. Brown 6, F. B. Lufkin (cond.) 7, G. Bacon 8, J. Belcham 9, P. Sloman 10. For Evensong.

REIGATE, SURREY.—On Dec. 9th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: C. Cook 1, A. T. Shelton 2, Nancy Kempell 3, W. Dunn 4, W. H. Inwood 5, K. Game 6, G. Olliver (cond.) 7, Joan Hanning 8. In memoriam Francis T. Hoad. Composed by Francis T. Hoad.

STOKE-SUB-HAMDON, SOMERSET.—On Dec. 9th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: N. Bowron (first quarter) 1, A. Bradley 2, E. Venn (first 'inside') 3, E. T. P. Field (cond.) 4, H. Warr 5, R. Cuff (first quarter) 6. For Confirmation service.

STUDLEY, WARWICKS.—On Dec. 1st, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: J. Biggs (first quarter) 1, June Smith 2, G. Stock 3, R. Spray (cond.) 4, J. Perkins 5, R. Sator (first quarter) 6.

SWAFFHAM PRIOR, CAMBS.—On Dec. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: D. W. Sweet (first quarter) 1, Miss M. Lawrence 2, A. G. Orbell 3, C. F. Sargent 4, A. R. Mann (cond.) 5.

TWYNNING, GLOS.—On Nov. 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Joan Gainey 1, M. Hawkes (cond.) 2, C. Haylings 3, C. Halling 4, W. Williams 5, D. Williams 6.

WEST CLANDON, SURREY.—On Nov. 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. A. Cattell (first of Minor) 1, Miss P. Warren 2, G. N. Grover 3, W. Saville 4, I. Vaughan 5, D. May (cond.) 6. Farewell to I. Vaughan, who has now moved to Windsor.

WESTMINSTER, LONDON.—On Dec. 9th, at St. Stephen's, Rochester Row, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: I. Hughes 1, J. V. Clark 2, C. Simpson 3, R. A. Yeates 4, C. D. Emery (first of Minor as cond.) 5, M. P. Moreton 6.

WINFORD, SOMERSET.—On Nov. 27th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: Ruth Yeates 1, A. Worle 2, C. Clarke 3, H. Ball 4, C. Bishop (cond.) 5, C. York 6. Rung following the induction service of the Rev. Wilfred Joseph Penny, as Rector.

WONERSH, SURREY.—On Dec. 2nd, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: Miss S. V. Rooke (first of Triples) 1, L. C. W. Hunter 2, Mrs. E. F. Enicknap (first of Triples) 3, G. D. Enicknap 4, W. F. Enicknap 5, A. E. Hunter 6, A. C. A. Hunter (cond.) 7, A. G. J. Rooke 8. First of Triples on the bells. For Advent Sunday.

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MEETINGS

LADIES' GUILD.—Central District. —Quarterly meeting on December 29th at St. Mary's, Harrow-on-the-Hill. Ringing 3-4.30 p.m., followed by service. Tea in Church Hall at 5 p.m., then business meeting and further ringing till 8.30 p.m. Please send names for tea by December 22nd to Mrs. J. Rose, 33A, West Mead, South Ruislip, Middlesex. 1585

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hinckley District.—Christmas meeting, Burbage, Saturday, December 29th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Old Schools 5 p.m. Names by first post Friday, December 28th, to F. K. Measures, 58, Lynchgate Lane, Burbage, near Hinckley, Leics. Phone: Burbage 516.—M. Vernon, Dis. Sec. 1618

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Evening meeting at Prees (6) on Saturday, December 29th. Ringing from 6.30 to 8.30 p.m. 1568

STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.—Monthly practice meeting at Barton-under-Needwood (near Burton-on-Trent), on Saturday, December 29th. Bells (8) available 6.30 p.m.—C.M.S., Hon. Sec. 1573

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Committee meeting, King's Head Hotel, Matlock, Wednesday, January 2nd, 7.30 p.m. Quarterly general meeting, Heanor (8), Saturday, January 5th. Bells 2.45 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, January 2nd, please.—B. P. Morris, Gable End, 44, Greenway, Ashbourne, Derbyshire. 1602

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern District. —A.G.M. at Halstead on Saturday, January 5th. Bells (8) 3.45 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Names for tea not later than Wednesday, January 2nd, to Mrs. M. Wood, 4, Duck End, Finch-ingham, Braintree. 1627

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.E. District. —A.G.M. at Galleywood, Saturday, January 5th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea not later than Wednesday, January 2nd, to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury. 1587

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Annual meeting at Hitchin on January 5th, 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names, please, to Mrs. A. R. Agg, 76, Wymondley Road, Hitchin, by January 2nd.—E. Buck, Dis. Sec. 1632

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Sevenoaks on January 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Please book for tea with Miss D. Colgate, 30, Buckhurst Avenue, Sevenoaks, by previous Wednesday.—W. H. Dobbie, Dis. Sec. 1629

MAIDSTONE GRAMMAR SCHOOLS' SOCIETY.—Meeting, Halling, Saturday, January 5th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Please send names for tea (5 p.m.) to Secretary, Mrs. Pamela J. Osborne, 315, Loose Road, Maidstone. No name no tea. 1611

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—Annual Branch meeting, Saturday, January 5th, at St. Miles'. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea by the 2nd to Mrs. N. Golden, 26, Brabazon Road, Norwich, NOR 57 N.—C. Bird, Hon. Sec. 1614

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Thrapston Branch.—Annual meeting, Raunds (8), January 5th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous, please.—L. Witten, 4, John Street, Thrapston, Kettering, Northants. 1631

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.—Annual meeting on January 5th at 4.30 p.m. in St. Martin's Hall. St. Martin's bells (12) available 3-4 p.m. and after meeting.—G. E. Fearn, Hon. Sec. Tel. SPR 1025. 1582

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.—Meeting, Brecon (8), January 5th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to M. R. Thomas, 7, Wheat Street, Brecon, by January 2nd. 1607

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—Quarterly meeting at Hessle, Saturday, January 5th. Bells (6) available 2 till 9 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea in Hessle Town Hall 4.45 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. R. H. Sharp, 4, Kirkham Close, Hessle, E. Yorkshire, by January 3rd. Business meeting in Church Hall after tea. Outstanding subscriptions for 1962 should be paid at this meeting.—H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec. 1603

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