

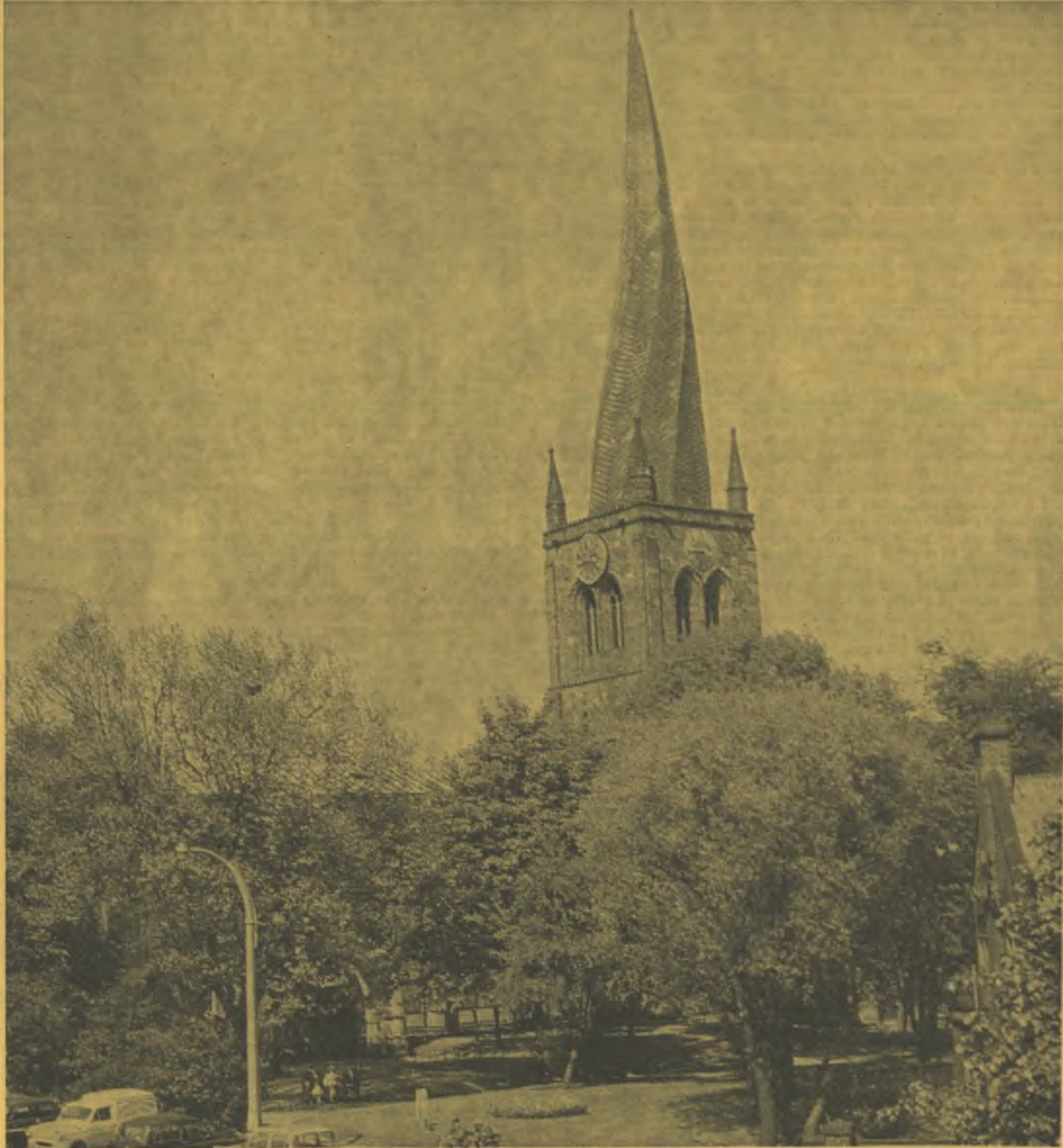
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POINTS. FROM 1966 PEALS—By Canon K. W. H. FELSTEAD

WE now come to peals rung in 1966. During the year, no less than 33 towers appeared for the first time in the peal columns—rather more than usual, I think. And so the number of virgin towers gradually decreases. There are still several hundred left of 6- and 5-bell rings, but quite a number of these are listed as unringable. A rough count shows that there are about 740 towers still without a peal and that (according to Dove's book) nearly 270 of these are unringable. This leaves 470 or so which are, but other factors enter in then. Thus getting on for half of this number are in the call-change areas of the West Country and it is probably unlikely that permission for "scientific" peals will be given on many of them. Actually, when unringable towers are included, there doesn't appear to be a single county which can claim that every one of its towers has had a peal! Several can claim this for all their ringable towers—they are Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire, Middlesex, Northumberland, Nottinghamshire, Surrey and London. Five or six other counties have a single unconquered tower which is not mentioned as unringable. It seems a little surprising they have been left without good reason—I am sure the local ringers know what the reasons are, but it is difficult to do so when writing from a distance, as it were.

To return to the first peal on the bells list. I confirm this in the following towers: St. Agnes, Wotton Underwood, Lamerton, Abingdon (St. Nicholas), Amblecote (a new ring), Bratton Fleming, Calgary (Canada), Ludgershall (Bucks), Malmesbury (one of the last few 8-bell towers to have a first peal), Leck, Langtree, West Down, Lyng (Somerset), Lydiard Tregoze, Waddington, Yarcombe, Harby, Padstow, Great Wishtford, St. Endellion, St. Kew, St. Minver, Horfield, Hathorn (a new eight), Lods-worth, Melbury Osmond, Thursby. The following seem to have had first peals which were not claimed as such: Odcombe, Talaton, Tibberton, Thurston.

INFREQUENT VISITORS TO PEAL COLUMNS

Since a whole year is being considered, it is not surprising that there are quite a large number of infrequent visitors to the peal columns to mention. Only one, however, had not been seen for more than 50 years—Winsham, where the last peal had been rung in 1911. There were peals here in 1894 (two) and 1910. St. George-in-the-East, London, last had a peal in 1922. Before that there had been three rung in 1907. Of course, this tower has a peal history of over 200 years, although there has never been a great number of peals rung there (I have only 32 in all). Now that the bells have been restored we shall, no doubt, see it appear more frequently again. Both Kelmarsh and Hammer were last mentioned in 1924. The former had peals also in 1905 and 1910, but the latter had only had this one previously.

The remaining towers were all last heard in peals in the 1930's. I confirm the claim that East Harptree had its last previous peal in 1930. There was also one here in 1924. Likewise Hopton and Stourton last appeared in 1930. The former had had peals in 1905 (two), 1912 and 1913 and the latter just one in 1927. Last heard in 1931 is Burrington, with previous peals in 1909 and 1930. Mitcheldean also, with a peal total now of eight spread over the years from 1887. St. Budeaux had its previous peal in 1933 with two before that in 1927 and 1931, whilst Manaccan's and Corfe's only peals before the 1966 ones were in 1935 and 1936 respectively.

Five towers last had peals in 1937. I confirm this in the case of Assington, where there had been peals also in 1910 and 1933. The other towers are Butterwick (where a burst of activity from 1926 to 1937 produced 24 peals—the only one before these being 6,000 Doubles in 25 methods in 1896), Thornford (peals also in 1935 and 1936), Witchampton (the only previous peal) and Bradford Abbas (one other peal in 1931). Towers last having peals in 1938 were Gosport (with only one before then in 1897), Mendlesham (peals also in 1902, 1927 and 1928), Lower Peover (the only previous peal) and Streatham (Emmanuel Church). In the latter case, there is a list of peals going back just over 100 years (the first was in 1865). From 1865 to the end of the century, 18 peals were rung, spread out over the years. From 1901 to 1914, I have 13 peals, and then eight between the wars from 1919 to 1938. So the grand total is now 40. One other tower was last heard before the second war—Drayton Parslow in 1939. There was also a peal here in 1938.

TOWER RECORDS

Turning now to milestones in a tower's peal record, we find that Loughborough Bell Foundry makes its customary annual appearance (annual because I note every 50 peals, and that is about the number rung annually on the average). The total passed the 1,200 mark in 1966. The leading church tower also comes into the picture again—Erith had its 650th peal during the year. Details of the peals here have appeared on several occasions and so I will not comment further.

Since "Bell News" commenced publication, both Leicester Cathedral and St. Peter's, Ashton-under-Lyne, have appeared 300 times in the peal columns. All the former's 300 peals have been rung this century, mainly due to the efforts of the late H. J. Poole. Both towers had earlier peals (I have 11 at Leicester and 22 at St. Peter's), so the actual totals are somewhat higher. In the latter's case, peal ringing activity was nearly as great in the 1880's as in the 1960's (only 29 peals were rung between 1900 and 1940), which is a little unusual. There were also two towers which reached the 200 peal mark in 1966. They were Grundisburgh and Netherton. At the former, the first peal was rung in 1891 and at the latter, 1888. In their early days, Netherton was a much more popular tower than Grundisburgh. Thus there had been more than 50 peals there by 1914 and only 12 at the latter, which only really "got going" in the 1930's. Netherton passed the 100 just before the second war, but Grundisburgh had to wait until 1953 to do so. Since then, of course, we see the name "Grundisburgh" more frequently than "Netherton". Actually, it was in 1961 that Grundisburgh caught up, so numbers must have been pretty equal since then.

Reaching the 150 peal mark in 1966 were Spalding, High Wycombe and Putney. In all three, early peals are included in this total. There is little to note about these towers except to say that at the second, 87 of the peals have been of Stedman. The third tower is enjoying a tremendous revival at the moment—50 peals since 1960! There was another good period at the end of the last century—50 peals from 1884 to 1900.

THE CENTURY MARK

Several towers knocked up their century, only one of which claimed the fact—Harrow Weald, which I can confirm. The others were Withyham; St. Peter's, Derby; Hanbury; All Saints', Pontefract; Heptonstall; Greasley; Farnworth-with-Kearsley; Pinchbeck; and a 6-bell tower—Bunwell. Leatherhead and St. Peter's, St. Albans, also had their names in the columns for the 100th time, but earlier peals (19 at the former and 14 at the latter) make their totals higher. As it happened, it was the long peal at Hanbury which was the 100th peal. I am not counting the one early "peal" I have come across at this tower—it was a "peal" of Grandsire Triples in 1848 which did not have a Single in it!

Many of these towers have very similar histories. Thus Bunwell, Farnworth, Hanbury, Heptonstall and Pinchbeck all had their first peals round about the end of the last century and had peal totals of 15 to 25 by the end of the 1920's. In most cases there was a slightly increased activity in the 1930's, but in all of them the bulk of the peals have been rung in the last 20 years. I notice that at Bunwell, only three of the peals were of Doubles and that only once has there been a peal in more than seven Minor methods (12 methods). Derby, St. Peter's, had almost exactly half its peals from 1906 to 1929, only one peal in the 1930's and the remaining 50 or so since 1945—quite a symmetrical pattern! Although the first peal at Harrow Weald was in 1901, only four more were rung before the last war—all in the 1930's. Thus 95 of the total have come from 1947 onwards. Withyham had six before 1914, commencing in 1902, 30 between the wars and the remainder since, mostly in the last ten years, for it is a frequent visitor to the peal lists at present. Greasley didn't have its first peal until 1926 and has been pretty consistent since—37 peals between then and 1939 (i.e., in 13 years) and 67 from 1943 to 1966. Only one or two years did not have a peal.

Quite a large number of towers reached 50 during the year—too many to say much about individually. They are (roughly in order of when the 50th peal was rung) Daventry, Chewton Mendip, Rochester Cathedral, Godstone, Oxford (St. Thomas'), Little Aston, Long Ashton (I confirm their claim), Lichfield Cathedral, Frampton, Penkridge, Darlington (St. Cuthbert's), Hemingbrough, Gosberton, West Wickham, Chiswick, Beccles, Leyton, Hoghton, Old Warden, Withycombe Raleigh (claim confirmed), East Grinstead, Doncaster, Heywood and King's Lynn (St. Margaret's). In the 1965 list I omitted Longney in the 50 peal list through a miscalculation. This tower is going great guns at the moment for although it has taken 100 years to reach the 50, the present rate of peals is six or seven a year. All but the first peal at St. Thomas', Oxford, have been rung since the last war. The first was in 1889, so there was nearly a 60-year gap before the second peal.

For a 10-bell tower, Beccles has had to wait a long time before the 50 came up. The first peal was in 1779—Bob Royal, and actually only seven of the peals have not been on ten bells. Thirty-four of Hoghton's 50 were rung between the two wars and it is only recently that this tower has appeared again in the lists. Withycombe Raleigh's effort is of interest. All the 39 peals rung

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THE BELLS OF CHESTERFIELD PARISH CHURCH

[Extract from Ford's "History of Chesterfield" in the 1800's.]

In December, 1774, the church's eight bells were hung anew and the sixth bell was newly cast. In 1820 a new ring of six bells was put up in the tower of the church; the cost was between £400 and £500. The bells are considered a very excellent and musical ring and reflect the highest credit on Mr Mears, the founder, and Mr. Hanson, the bell hanger. The weight of the tenor is 24 cwt 2 qr.

The opening of the bells took place on Monday, May 22nd, in the same year by the under-mentioned Societies, who each performed as follows:—

First.—The Society from Oldham, Lancashire, rang a complete peal of 5,147 Grandsire Caters.

Second.—The Society at the Parish Church, Sheffield, completed a peal of 5,003 Grandsire Caters.

Third.—A miscellaneous band from the Societies of Leeds, Wakefield, Sheffield Independents and others performed a complete peal of New Treble Bob Royal consisting of 5,180 changes. This finished the first day's ringing.

On Tuesday morning the Ashton-under-Lyne company ascended the tower and rang a complete peal of 5,000 and upwards of Grandsire Caters. After them the Nottingham Society of Sherwood Youths performed a peal of 5,364 Grandsire Caters, and lastly the Society from Mottram, Cheshire, performed a peal of 5,000 and upwards of Grandsire Caters. This concluded the whole, each company having completed their peals at the first attempt, which is an achievement never before performed in the annals of ringing.

The following inscriptions were found on the bells when they were taken down:—

Treble.—"Many friends are numbered."—George Swift, P. Aldebore, Church Wardens, 1718.

Second.—"The praise of the Lord flourishes by our motions." 1700.

Third.—"Sweetly tolling, men to call,
To taste on meats that feed the soul."—George Oldfield, 1612.

Fourth.—"Jesus be our speed." 1612.

Fifth.—"God save this church." 1612.

Sixth.—John Wood Vicar, H. Withers, R. Marsden—Churchwardens. Thomas Hilton of Wath, Founder. 1774.

Seventh.—George Shaw, Peter Dowker—friends to this bell. Anthony Legat, Will Holland, Wardens. 1661

Tenor.—"Let this bell be made sacred by the Blessed Trinity." This bell was the oldest in the tower.

1295 GRANDSIRE CATERS

By F. E. DARBY

23456789
62354978 1, 4s
25364879 2s, 3, 4
32564978 1, 3, 4s
43265879 1, 3

24365978 1, 3, 4s
32465879 1, 3, 4s

23564978 1, 3, 5s
23465879 1, 3, 5.

42365978 1, 3, 4s
34265879 1, 3, 4s
23465978 1, 3, 4s
42365879 1, 3, 4s

42563978 1, 3, 5
(34265879) 1, 3

NOTED CHESTERFIELD RINGER



ARTHUR PERCIVAL KNIGHTS

Born May 26th, 1892. Died Sept. 3rd, 1967

AN APPRECIATION

The passing of Arthur Percival Knights is the end of a great Chesterfield ringing family.

I first met Percy in 1921, when I came to Chesterfield, and had many years of ringing with him and his father and brother, Ben.

Percy had the misfortune to be hit by the deep depression of the early 1920's and therefore knew little prosperity. Being a fellow ringer I was in a position to give him the help he needed, so creating a bond of friendship which lasted through the years, years in which I found Percy to be as reliable at work as he was in the ringing world.

I had the pleasure of ringing with him in peals on six to twelve bells, many of which he conducted.

TREBLE BOB EXPERTS

It is well known that the Knights family were Treble Bob experts and rang many of their compositions. I had the honour of being one of the "band" of that time and Percy was the one to get the bells and band together, for which there was always full support. The standard of ringing had to be high, or everyone had the lash of Percy's tongue.

The peals were mostly for the M.C.A. in Derbyshire, the Yorkshire Association if in Yorkshire, and the Sheffield District Society. I don't know how many peals he rang or conducted, but it was a good many.

In the passing of Percy, another great ringer and conductor has left us, and to me the passing of a great friend.

F. A. ADAMS.

NEW QUARTER STARTS WITH THIS ISSUE

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SOME UNPUBLISHED COMPOSITIONS

by ARTHUR KNIGHTS

5,024 TREBLE BOB MAJOR
(with 480 variations)

(No. 369)				
23456	M	B	W	H
24536	1	—	2	2
35426	1	—	—	2
63254	—	2	2	2
36452	—	—	1	2
62453	1	—	—	2
54263	1	—	—	2
45362	—	—	1	2
52364	2	—	1	2
24365	1	—	—	2
63425	—	2	2	2
56234	—	2	2	2
64235	1	—	—	2
62345	—	—	1	2
25346	1	—	—	2
23456	—	—	1	2

5th and 6th extent in 5-6.

The alternative calling can be used as follows:

Courses	Changes
5th	5088
5th, 15th	5152
5th, 11th	5120
5th, 11th, 15th ..	5184
5th, 11th, 12th ..	5184
5th, 11th, 12th, 15th	5248
5th 12th	5152
5th, 12th, 15th ..	5216
11th	5056
11th, 15th	5120
11th, 12th	5120
11th, 12th, 15th ..	5184
12th	5088
12th, 15th	5152
15th	5088

480 variations.

5,248 TREBLE BOB MAJOR
(with 392 variations)

(No. 38)				
23456	M	B	W	H
24536	1	—	2	2
36452	2	—	—	2
34562	—	—	1	2
43265	2	—	—	2
42635	1	—	2	2
36245	1	—	—	2
25463	2	—	2	2
24653	1	—	2	2
32546	2	—	1	2
35426	1	—	2	2
63254	2	—	1	2
52364	—	—	2	2
34625	2	—	2	2
23456	2	—	2	2

5th and 6th extent in 5-6.
11 of the 12 8-6's.

The alternative calling can be used as follows:

Courses	Changes
5th	5184
5th, 11th	5152
5th, 7th	5120
5th, 7th, 11th ..	5088
5th, 7th, 10th ..	5056
5th, 7th, 10th, 11th	5024
7th	5184
7th, 11th	5152
7th, 8th, 10th ..	5056
7th, 8th, 10th, 11th	5024
7th, 10th	5120
7th, 10th, 11th ..	5088
11th	5216

392 variations.

THE DURHAM FESTIVAL

90 YEARS ON AND OPTIMISTIC AS TO FUTURE

THE 90th anniversary of the foundation of the Durham and Newcastle Association of Church Bell Ringers was marked by a big assembly of ringers at Durham on September 23rd. The day started with ringing. There were two peal attempts at Darlington, one of which was successful, and College Youths, headed by their Master, rang a peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus at Newcastle Cathedral. Many towers were also open.

The service of thanksgiving at Durham Cathedral was heralded by a service touch of Stedman Triples in which the band was composed of descendants of the founders of 90 years ago. They were W. Tyson, the Association's president (father a member); Roland Parke, the conductor (father and grandfather); Philip Parke (father, grandfather and great grandfather); Ian Wintrip (mother); Jack Anderson (father and uncle); Iris Anderson (father); Peter Wishart (father); and Tom M. Cox (grandfather).

The service, which was incorporated with the Cathedral Evensong, was held in the choir and was set to Stalham in E. The opening hymn was "Unchanging God who lives!" and the anthem "Call to Remembrance" (Batteshill). Handbells were introduced and these were rung by representatives of youth—Ann and Enid Lawson, Malcolm Johnson and Andrew Craddock. The striking was in keeping with the occasion.

A VOICE WHICH SAYS NOTHING

Canon Gilbert Thurlow, the president of the Central Council, preached, taking as his text "God shall come and shall not keep silence" (Psalm 50, 3), and he brought to that 90th anniversary service the good wishes of the ringers of the English speaking world.

"From this service," said the Canon, "there is one activity which goes forth into the world, which presses its attentions on all people, a voice which says in a sense nothing, for it has no words, and for this very reason says everything, for it is not limited by words, and that is the sound of the bells. They can do one thing of immense importance for all that hear: they can make people think.

"There is a question which presses itself on everyone 'What am I for?' It is the plain man's equivalent of the scholar's debate on the meaning and belief in God. Am I a work of art or a work of chance? This is the belief or unbelief in God to me.

"Today men face the question, not just of belief in God as discussed by wise men, but of the direction and purpose of life. You who ring may be the unknowing means of leading men to think, face life's meaning, to its final explanation. It may often be your personal wish merely to ring in a new tower, to attempt a new method, to complete a new peal. But the result of your day's work may be to achieve something far deeper than you will ever know, in the soul of many an inquirer. God shall come and shall not keep silence. He may come through your efforts."

The Cathedral bells were again rung after the service.

THE DINNER

The commemoration dinner followed in the hall of St. Aiden's College, a company of 175 attending.

Canon Thurlow, who was accompanied by Mrs. Thurlow who is a graduate of Durham, presided over a distinguished company that included the Bishop of Durham and Mrs. Ian I. Ramsey, the Provost of Newcastle (the Very Rev. C. C. Wolters), Mr. Vernon Bottomley, secretary of the Central Council and president of the neighbouring Yorkshire Association, and Mrs. Bottomley, Mr. R. S. Anderson, convener of "The Ringing World" Committee, and Mr. Alan Frost, Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths. With them on the top table were leading officials of the Association and their wives, upon whom much of the organisation fell—Messrs. William Tyson (president), Denis A. Bayles (secretary) and Kenneth Arthur (Ringing Master).

Following the loyal toast, Mr. E. Peter Rock proposed "The Church." "Although we are servants of the Church," he said, "we all get a great deal of pleasure from what is an enthralling hobby. Campanology was one of the choicest of hobbies and in practising our art we do as Dorothy Sayers said: 'Make one great noise to the glory of God.'"

In a reference to the two Cathedrals connected with the Association Mr. Rock pointed out that while Durham had the age and grandeur as a building when they turned to the bells of Newcastle it was a different thing and they were all very pleased that the peal was successful there that day.

The Lord Bishop, in his reply, said he thought of a bell as symbolising their involvement in the life of society around them. Bells were associated with great occasions, both family as in weddings and funerals and also in expressing great events of the Church and State.

Secondly the bell was a challenge. It said to the church that it must be involved with the society around them and was also a challenge to the many problems of belief which bewilder so many.

The Provost of Newcastle also replied.

The toast of "The Durham and Newcastle Association" was proposed by Mr. Vernon Bottomley, who said the presence of so many visitors was an indication of the esteem with which their Association was held right through the country. The prosperity the Association enjoys was a tribute to those early pioneers—Bill Barber and the Gofton family.

NEED—LEADERS AND TEACHERS

Mr. Bottomley expressed the view that it was doubtful if ringing would have survived were it not for the Associations and "The Ringing World." The greatest need of the Exercise today was for leaders and teachers. Leaders were born not made, but their parents were more likely to be developed within the framework of the Associations and it was gratifying to see that Durham and Newcastle was a pioneer in sponsoring instructional courses.

One significant thing was to look forward to 1977. "and as you drink this toast remember all those who are and were in this Association and resolve that you will pass on the spirit you have had the good fortune to inherit."

In his reply, as secretary, Mr. Denis Bayles reviewed the happenings in the last 10 years. As to peals Cambridge Surprise Maximus had for the first time been rung and London

Royal by a nearly all resident band; there had also been new record lengths of 15,520 Yorkshire S. Major on tower bells and 8,064 Plain Bob Major on handbells.

One important change had been made in their name and with it the corresponding changes in the rules regarding qualifications for membership. They now welcomed the call change ringer into the Association with the revised preface reading: "While the Association is especially concerned to promote scientific change ringing, it does not despise the contribution of the call change ringer." This was surely better than the earlier words: "To promote the study and practice of scientific change ringing, as distinguished from the dull, spiritless and ignorable performance known as 'call changes' and thus to elevate and improve the mental capacity of the ringer, while furthering the development of a beautiful science, which is peculiarly and exclusively British in origin."

Restorations had been carried out during this period at Benfieldside, Gosforth, Sanfield and Winlahon, but against this they had to record the loss of St. Mary's Gateshead as an eight due to the 7th bell being badly cracked. Looking ahead there were good prospects for augmentation at Shincliffe and restoration at Newburn and Sedgfield. They were pleased to record the establishment of diplomatic relations between the Association and Shildon tower since the change of incumbent. Present day ringers from this tower were with them that evening and a former Shildon ringer Mr. J. H. Lenton, who became a member in 1902.

"A WONDERFUL HERITAGE"

Although the Association has been getting older the average age of its members had been greatly reduced. Youth had been much in evidence, and especially at Christmas parties and ringing courses at Lumley Castle which had been innovations of this period. Concluding Mr. Bayles said: "I believe that we have a wonderful heritage from the past and that the Association is in good heart for the future. It is very encouraging to have received such wonderful support for these 90th anniversary celebrations."

Mr. Kenneth Arthur proposed "The Press" and extended a welcome to Mr. E. Pannell, editor of "The Darlington and Stockton Times." The ringing Exercise, he said, did owe its present position to the ringing press. There was "The Bell News" from 1880 and then "The Ringing World." They were grateful to the work of Hervey Reeves and Jack Goldsmith. It was gratifying to him to learn that the circulation of the "R.W." that week exceeded 6,000.

Mr. R. S. Anderson, in reply, said he had many nostalgic memories of some of those who laid the foundations of the Association. Lyn Routledge, Billie Story, Joe Keen, Joe Parker, Bill Barber and Alder Gofton. It was nearly 45 years since he was elected a member of the Association and he rang his first peal—Stedman Triples—at first attempt at Gosforth on March 17th, 1923.

"The Ringing World" has undoubtedly of late been one of the main talking points in the Exercise. At Bath, the committee was increased by two members, who promptly resigned 12 months after at Nottingham. "I did not then and I do not now propose to use a public forum as a battleground, except

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to say, that their resignations were only received by the secretary the evening before the Council meeting. Whether or not their actions were designed to throw the Council into confusion, I will not speculate. Suffice to say, that 'The Ringing World' continues to be published each week, and circulation is increasing."

"DO NOT LET US DOWN"

"You will have read, that from now until Christmas, there is to be a 20 page issue, including a coloured cover each week. Continuance of the paper in this style depends on you. Increased circulation will pay the extra cost involved, and I personally hope and believe you will not let us down. A number of Associations are contributing to the extra cost, by paying for the first page block and by taking copies for sale at meetings. This is a project of the editor, and I ask that all Associations support us in this way, for special commemorative occasions, as did the Durham and Newcastle Association. It has been estimated that this venture may cost us £280, but we as a committee hope, that by increased sales, the figure will be less.... I believe that the majority of our readers feel they are getting value for money. Ninepence a week—the price of three tipped cigarettes—is not a lot to pay to get news of what is happening to ringing and ringers throughout the country."

The concluding toast, "The Visitors," was proposed by Mr. W. Tyson. Among those he mentioned were Messrs. Alan J. Frost, Alan Ainsworth, Rev. Frederick Ross, Alan Patinson, Mr. and Mrs. Street and Mrs. Joyce Dobbs.

Reply was by the Master of the College Youths who, the chairman announced, was advising about St. George's, Jesmond. Mr. Frost said he was surprised at St. Stephen's, Newcastle, to read a notice in the porch: "There is a doctor in attendance at every service." In this part of the country where they had fewer towers than many parts of the country, the bells seemed to be more appreciated. He thought they did a very good job in having so few silent towers.

A comprehensive vote of thanks to the many who had contributed to the success of the 90th anniversary celebration was proposed by the chairman.

Interludes were provided between speeches by handbell ringing by the Lawson family from Ormesby and by College Youths.

Vicar on Sponsored 1,000 Miles Ride

The Randwick (Glos) ringers wish the sponsored cyclists well for the Truro to Thurso tour (details given last week). Left to right: Mrs. S. M. Morrison, M. Simpson (tower captain), Preston Pegler (cyclist), Brian Pegler, R. ("Dick") Barnett, Rev. and Hon. N. R. Morrison (Vicar), E. ("Ted") Barnett. Mr. and Mrs. Morrison's four children: John (4 on October 2nd), Neil (5), Mary (7) and Hugh (2) may possibly one day make up a family peal!

The journey is already worth over £200 if completed. With £500 the existing bells could be rehung on ball bearings and the two new trebles (one of which is being donated) provided. Mr. Preston Pegler, assistant leader, Randwick Youth Club, is accompanying the Vicar for the first three days.

[Photo: S. Hook, Randwick.]

WITS "SHARPENED" AT CHELTENHAM

The week-end of September 15th-17th was something of an experiment for the Gloucester and Bristol Association. The venue was St. Anne's Diocesan House in Cheltenham, the exact location of which is still a mystery to some members of the gathering. However, Friday evening saw the arrival of some 40 ringers, mainly members of the Gloucester and Bristol Association.

After an adequate supper, those of us who were not already with Fred Sharpe soon found out what we had been missing. He treated us to an absorbing talk illustrated with some of his collection of slides, entitled "Bells and Their History." One sinner admitted afterwards that he had prepared himself for one and a quarter hours of boredom, but has now joined the Fred Sharpe fan club. Came 9.30 and a nightcap was enjoyed (tea—much to the disappointment of the alcoholics amongst us!).

Saturday dawned grey, in direct contrast to the mood of the members of the course, whose appetites had been "sharpened" the evening before. After a breakfast of two lonely sausages, Cyril Wratten proceeded to explain some of the mysteries of method construction—more of this for our learners, please! The rest of the morning was occupied with such diverse subjects as conducting (very basic), learning change ringing (even more basic), rope splicing, which was very popular (de-

spite the fact that Fred Scudamore taught no one to make a noose), and belfry maintenance.

Saturday afternoon was spent in the belfry and this may have been more useful had there been a backbone of experienced ringers. The evening's activities included an exhibition of tune ringing on handbells by Fred Sharpe and a team of inexperienced course members, whose inexperience was soon translated into some quite recognisable tunes in four-part harmony (medieval scales and all). After supper the organisers of the course were surprised to find that the Open Forum, instead of being the succession of painful silences that they had expected, turned into 55 minutes' interesting and controversial discussion on ringing topics.

Sunday passed in similar vein and most people were quite sorry when 4.30 came and they had to return to their respective towers to try and put some of their newly-acquired knowledge into practice.

This was a very successful course, well organised and enthusiastically supported. Anyone who learned nothing must be very difficult to teach! Our sincere thanks are due to all those who contributed to the organisation and lecturing, particularly the Queen Bee, Mary Bliss, and Marjorie Wratten, her excellent domestic assistant.

J. H. T. and G. M. R.

FROM DOWN UNDER**HANDBELL PROGRESS AT PERTH**

Tony Mann, in a letter from Perth, W.A., which he describes as the most isolated capital in the world, writes that the bells are not going the best now, and a committee has been formed, with Jenny Lees as convener, to get cracking with the restoration work. Fifteen thousand dollars is the minimum amount required so we hope for progress soon in that direction.

Two quarters of Major have been rung recently and the local band all rang very well. We find that if the ringers of 7 and 8 over pull at any time the front three drop like stones, so a reasonable pace must be set.

Handbells are my worry, although these Australians can pick things up. We ring courses of Grandsire Caters in the Cathedral now and again for exhibition and they are struck very well. The Friday band has reached short touches of eight-spliced Plain Major, which from scratch in nine months is a credit to them. We join Eileen Palin now for Bob Royal and have rung touches of 540 and 360. We expect Tom Goodyer in a month's time for a holiday, and I hope we shall have more for you.

Letters to the Editor

142 DOUBLES PEAL WITHDRAWN

Dear Sir,—Mr. David has kindly drawn my attention to the fact that there was a false exten. in the peal of 142 Doubles methods/ variations which was rung at Staunton-on-Wye on August 10th. I therefore withdraw the peal with apologies to all concerned. I also apologise to Mr. Dawson for overlooking his peal of 180 methods/ variations.

Since so many people are now interested in this type of ringing I wonder if Mr. Dawson would be kind enough to submit the figures for some of the 120's he conducted, so that they may be published in "The Ringing World." Perhaps the figures for extents 40 and 42 of his peal would prove most useful.

In addition, when variations are rung to a peal which have not been published in "The Ringing World" Doubles collection, may we please be told what they are. Many of the names which Mr. Jones has so kindly given in his recent letter, although used for previous peals, have only now revealed their identity. Incidentally, is it Ifley or is it Landsdowne Parva?—Yours sincerely,

COLIN A. LEWIS.

Glisbury-on-Wye.

ST. DUNSTAN-IN-THE-WEST

Dear Sir,—I was pleased to see Mr. H. V. Frost's letter. When I read Mr. Hibbert's I was sure he had confused St. Dunstan-in-the-East with the one in the west because in 1910 the late Mr. James E. Davis was asked to provide a band to ring at the latter for the Lord Mayor's Show. Nobody could ever remember them being rung and when he made an inspection he found the bells and bearings in such a bad state that to attempt to ring them without a lot of repair work would have been an impossibility.

Mr. Frost could be right about some ringing there thirty years or so ago. At that time I used to meet a local clergyman, Mr. Southgate, frequently during the winter months. When he was appointed Rector of St. Dunstan-in-the-West, knowing he had done a little ringing in his college days, I told him about the bells there and said what a pity it was they were never rung.

My father told me many years ago that he once rang there with the Cumberlands in 1880, when he first came to London. The Law Courts were opened about that time and I have wondered sometimes if complaints from Judges or barristers caused ringing there to cease.—Yours sincerely,

E. BARNETT.

10, King's Close, Crayford.

SUSPENSE

Dear Sir,—It was most unfair of Little John not to tell us whether old George got his last peal or not. I am suffering greatly from that dangerous disease commonly known as suspense. If Little John could just enlighten us over this subject, I should be miraculously cured.—Yours sincerely,

GILLIAN M. RICHARDSON.

Haresfield, Glos.

UNRINGABLE INCUMBENTS

Dear Sir,—As a ringable Vicar may I just complete the picture painted by Mr. Dove and Mr. Dodd by saying that not only are there unringable Vicars and P.C.C.'s, there are also unringable ringers!—Yours faithfully,

CHRISTOPHER MARSHALL.

Long Sutton

THE PYES ON HANDBELLS

Dear Sir,—I was interested in Mr. E. W. Pye's letter on page 674 and though I did not take part in Surprise peals "in hand" I rang in many peals with the five Pyes between 1910 and 1920, viz. 40 "in hand" and 15 on tower bells. W. Pye was in 42, G. R. Pye 42, Ernest 31, Alfred 2 and L. A. Pye 1. The numbers were Stedman Cinques 27, Stedman Caters 17, Kent (on 8, 10 and 12) 5, Double Norwich 3, two of which were "in hand" with W. Kneble on 5-6. All peals "in hand" were umpired in accordance with Central Council condition 7 on page 21 of the handbook, which seems out of fashion these days.

Time passes along quickly and at 84 I find my last peal "in hand" was 43 years ago and my last tower peal 20 years ago.—Yours sincerely,

WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

Addlestone, Surrey.

PLAIN BOB SINKS

Dear Sir,—Plain Bob is the foundation of our science of change ringing. From its simple rules have evolved the intricacies of so many of our advanced methods. How often, too, has its dodges formed a stumbling block for the beginner!

This was discovered very early on and the usual trip of "crunch" in 3-4 was given the name of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure (?). This has ensured the survival of this irregular method.

It took a certain Yorkshireman to discover (with delight?) that you can "crunch" in 5-6 on higher numbers. Hence Hunslet! These have, I believe, even been combined with successive adjacent places in 3-4 and 5-6!

Now surely it must be a subtle C.N.D. action to call the 7-8 adjacent place Major, Aldermaston! Irregular, three blows in succession in 8ths, either side of the lead-end—and the delights of 8-7's at backstroke! Such is progress!—Yours sincerely,

GEOFFREY DODDS.

St. Albans.

K.C.A. TEACHING MEETING AT TONBRIDGE

Fifty sat down to tea at the Waterside Café, Tonbridge, on September 9th, when a joint meeting of the Lewisham and Tonbridge Districts was held. There was no speechifying—not even a formal vote of thanks to the hard-working organisers. The whole day had been devoted to a teaching campaign. Half the party had visited four towers and the other half a different four.

All converged for tea and took part in ringing at Tonbridge afterwards. Much good work was done, and although the experienced ringers went home tired they had the satisfaction of knowing that the whole time had been spent in teaching rather than the usual time-wasting diversions that so regularly attend ringing affairs.

Earlier in the year a day's ringing school was arranged jointly by the two Districts in the Lewisham area, and this second function was arranged in the Tonbridge District as a suitable follow-up.

Walter Dobbie and his companions on the joint committee are to be congratulated on the excellence of their arrangements.

LONG LENGTH ATTEMPT

Dear Sir,—I wish to give notice that an attempt will be made to ring 24,119 Grandsire Caters on October 21st, 1967 at St. Laurence's Church Appleton, starting at 6 a.m.

The composition is appended.—Yours faithfully,

BRIAN R. WHITE.

Appleton.

24,119 GRANDSIRE CATERS

By ALBERT M. TYLER

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NASH, MON.—On Aug. 23rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. S. Bennett 1, Gillian Colleypriest 2, R. J. Hall 3, P. Williams 4, J. Prytherch 5, D. Phillips (cond.) 6.

BELL ROPES

JOHN NICOLL

SEE BACK PAGE

Mr. T. J. Lock's Tour in Yorkshire

FRESH ground in that expansive county of Yorkshire was chosen for this year's annual tour and reunion. The week is a reunion as the party gathers from such distant counties as Derbyshire, Devon, Durham and Sussex. There were also representatives from the Cathedral bands at Birmingham, Chichester, Derby, Exeter, Newcastle upon Tyne and St. Albans. Owing to distance to travel, on the first Saturday for the southerners a peal was arranged at St. Cuthbert's, Darlington, beyond the Yorkshire border, and in the end we were indebted to two local ringers, T. Cooke and E. Pannell, for standing in to make up. However, the method and the performance were an adequate introduction to the week which followed and suitable to be recorded as a birthday compliment to Pat Halls, who with her two children remained with the party for the first half of the week.

For Sunday service ringing the party scattered around to such towers as York and Beverley Minsters, Kirkby Moorside and Scarborough. At this latter place the ringing chamber is most inviting with the salies in blue, green and yellow spirals to match the decoration of the room. Although no arrangements had been made to visit the tower, we were saddened to learn that little activity goes on at Malton Parish Church, where £1,000 was spent on restoration work about ten years ago.

MAXIMUS FOR FIRST TIME

On Monday, August Bank Holiday, morning one band visited Goole but after three-quarters of an hour of Spiced Surprise Major in six methods the rope of the treble slipped wheel. This unexpected occurrence caused an inspection to be made and as no reason could be found it was decided that the Romans would have the best phrase to describe it. The other band visited St. Augustine's, Hedon, known as King of the Holderness, where an extent of Ruand Surprise Major proved a suitable method for the bells. A late afternoon start for a peal at Holy Trinity, Hull, hit in very nicely and other than to the most discerning, a very creditable performance resulted in a peal of Maximus being rung on this series of annual tours for the first time.

One peal attempt in a nearby tower, Norton, on Tuesday morning was completed with satisfaction whilst the remainder of the party visited St. Peter's, Harrogate. In the afternoon two peal attempts were also satisfactorily performed. At Collingham, a lively and musical peal of Superlative Surprise Major was rung on these well cared for bells, which were installed 60 years ago last May. Two members of the local band met us here and they both fully deserve being mentioned in this report. Mr. C. Hague has completed 58 years, and Mr. W. Scheerer has completed 50 years, of faithful and conscientious duty at Collingham, so on behalf of the ringing Exercise we wish them many more years of active service. At Tadcaster York Surprise Major was well rung, which earned a few asterisks for "first in the method."

NO HANDBELLS

We said goodbye to the Talbot Hotel, Malton (where, incidentally, one of the notices reads: "If it is desired to evacuate the premises the warning will be given by ringing a handbell"—so that prevented us from bringing out our own set of handbells) on Wednesday morning, the numerical larger of two contingents journeying to Carlton-in-Cleveland,

where a change in method from that programmed proved beneficial, as a good peal of Cambridge Surprise Major was rung. The smaller contingent visited the six-bell tower of All Saints', Hovingham. After the successful conclusion of ringing seven extents of Minor, the band was met by the Vicar, who generously supplied us with liquid refreshment, and Mr. Bishop, at which time it was confirmed that there is no local record of a peal having previously been rung on these bells. It was noted that the present bells were cast in 1878, being increased to six and installed with new fittings in a new wooden frame by J. Taylor, and later, in 1953, hung on ball bearings. So presumably there were bells in the tower before the casting or even recasting of the then existing bells.

In the afternoon, a journey north-eastward took us to our second seaside resort, Whitby, where it was really pleasant to take refuge in St. Mary's ringing chamber away from the crowded streets. But hundreds of people, we hope, must have been attracted by our efforts in ringing Yorkshire Surprise Royal. This success enabled us to complete peals in even-bell methods from Minor to Maximus. With this certain satisfaction we moved our headquarters to the Golden Lion Hotel, Northallerton.

FOUR FAILURES

On Thursday morning two peals were attempted, one rung, the one at Thirsk, where the previous peal was recorded just twenty years and one day ago, i.e. August 30th, 1947, and where only one Surprise peal (Yorkshire) had been rung, although the first peal in this tower was accomplished on May 16th, 1899.

The other attempt was at Ripon Cathedral, where York Surprise Royal was unfortunately lost by the breaking of a clapper with only ten more leads to go. Whilst, during the afternoon, another attempt, of London Surprise Major, at Bedale, was interrupted after two and a half hours by a visit to the ringing chamber by the sexton, who conveyed the Vicar's request that the ringing should stop, the remainder of the party were invited to ring at Northallerton, where a further visit was made in the evening to join the local company in practice, and to Kirby Wiske.

The morning of the last full day also proved unsuccessful in respect of peal ringing.—Spiced Surprise Major in eight methods was lost after 40 minutes at Sharow, and Yorkshire Surprise Major was stopped at Masham when the tenor rope began to unravel after 30 minutes. In the ringing chamber at Sharow is one of the very few stained glass windows with ringing its subject matter. The afternoon session was more profitable with a very nice peal at Middleham, while other members of the party visited Grinton and Catterick to ring a few short touches.

For the last, homeward bound, day another peal was recorded on the bells of St. James', Birstwith, earning a few more "first in the method" asterisks, whilst an unsuccessful attempt was being made at Easingwold. Here was the only occasion of the week where the ropes had traditional Yorkshire tails but, for the information of Yorkshiremen, no one complained and in fact it was a pleasant experience for those ringers who had not previously handled the tufted end. A miscall in an unusual composition of Superlative Surprise Major was the reason for setting up the bells after one and a quarter hours.

So completed another week's gathering, where jovial contentment during this annual

social reunion together with a consistently good standard of ringing are the top priorities and where the number of times each can get his or her name in the peal columns is not even considered. To those who may think otherwise, the expenses of the week for such items as hotel, meals, refreshments, travel, peal fees, contributions to tower funds, organisation costs and presents to take home total several pounds for each member, and the critics would do the Exercise well if they forwarded as many (say, thirty) shillings twenty times in the year to this journal—they could then have their names printed twenty times in the "Gratefully Acknowledged" column. In addition, their week could be spent at home writing some informative and useful articles for the benefit of the Exercise with the author's name in quite thick print.

To those clergy who afforded us the use of some very pleasant rings of bells, to tower correspondents and fellow ringers who met us or who were otherwise connected with this tour, we are most grateful and we assure them their co-operation was much appreciated.

T. J. L.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

Newark and North Notts Districts

The meeting held jointly between the Newark and North Notts Districts at St. Nicholas', Tuxford, on September 9th, proved to be very successful on all counts.

Both the ringing on the eight bells in the afternoon and the singing at Evensong were accompanied with much enthusiasm. Tea was also a fairly noisy affair and, as agreed by the two secretaries, the business meetings were then conducted "in tandem" under the chairmanship of the Vicar, the Rev. T. W. Swift. A raffle organised by Mr. Harry Poyner for a 500-piece jigsaw puzzle spilled out the pennies, and the prize was carried off to the Newark District by Miss G. Burchnall, of Sutton-on-Trent.

Spokesmen for both the Districts suggested that the joint meeting be a regular event.

B. N. R.

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KNUTSFORD RINGERS MARRIED



Two ringers from St. John the Baptist Church, Knutsford, Cheshire, photographed after their wedding on September 16th, in the church they serve so faithfully. They are Christopher J. Jones and Diana Bensley. The Vicar, the Rev. R. A. M. Harris, officiated. The secretary of the Grappenhall Branch, Mr. Michael Thomson, was the best man, and Terence G. Spragg and Brian Goulden groomsmen. Attending the bride were her sister Jean and Mrs. Janet Harper. [Photo by Edgar N. Livesley.]

THE BRIDE FROM COMPTON BISHOP

For 13 years a ringer at Compton Bishop Church, Somerset, Miss Anne White, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George White, of Nottingham Farm, Weare, was married at St. Andrew's Church, Compton Bishop, on September 16th to Dr. Gavin Williams, of Anglesey.

The Vicar, the Rev. F. J. Kell, conducted the service, assisted by the Rev. J. L. Heigham, Vicar of Weare. The bride wore a full-length dress of white crystal satin, and carried a bouquet of golden roses.

The bells were rung after the service by friends of the bride, and later in the afternoon a peal was rung by the Axbridge Branch of the Bath and Wells Association.

The bride is reading for her doctorate at Cambridge University, and her husband is at East Anglia University, Norwich.

A LINCOLNSHIRE WEDDING

The wedding took place on September 16th of Mr. Brian Bull, Ringing Master of St. Mary's, Putney, and Miss Janet Hudson, also a Putney ringer and a native of Lincolnshire. Ringers from London, Lincolnshire and Nottingham converged on the parish church of Stow, where the ceremony was conducted by the Rev. J. Parker, assisted by the Revs. C. Carver and M. Hart, of Putney. The bride wearing a white dress and veil, made by herself, was attended by Miss Christine Cobb, another Putney ringer, who wore a turquoise lace dress. Both carried pink and white carnations. The best man was Mr. Michael Bull, cousin of the bridegroom.

The reception was held in Willingham Village Hall, where a sumptuous spread had been prepared by the village ladies. The couple later left for the Lake District.

A peal of Double Norwich was rung at Gainsborough prior to the wedding in honour of the occasion. Many of the ringers who had come from London made ample use of the weekend to visit new towers in the area!

WAVENDON, BUCKS.—On Sept. 1st, 1,440 Minor (Cambridge and Plain Bob): H. Whitney 1, Ann Houghton (first "inside") 2, Canon Elliot Wigg 3, M. Hooton 4, K. Jackson 5, A. Frost (cond.) 6. Rung as a wedding compliment to Martin Wigg and Stephanie Burt, married at Bengo August 26th, 1967.



DEREK FOWLES—WENDA HARRIS

The wedding took place at St. Michael's, Bray, on September 23rd between Miss Wenda Harris and Mr. Derek Fowles. Wenda is a Bray ringer and Derek a member of the Cranford, Middlesex, band. Derek has also been chairman of the S. and W. District of the Middlesex Association for many years.

Friends of the bride and bridegroom rang before and after the service, which was conducted by the Vicar of Bray and included the bellringers' hymn. As the couple left the church the Bray ringers formed an archway of handbells.

The bride wore a white chiffon and lace over satin dress and carried a bouquet of white roses and stephanotis. The attendants were Mrs. Diana Cartman, sister of the bride, and Miss Mollie Edwards, friend of the bride. They wore dresses of emerald green wild silk and carried gold roses.

The best man was Mr. Peter Ruch, ringing friend of the bridegroom. After the reception the couple left for a honeymoon in Devon, and on their return they will make their future home at Holyport.

A peal of Plain Bob Major was rung after the wedding at Bray, details of which appear in the peal columns. (Page 724.)

THE "YESTERYEAR" RINGERS WERE AT OXFORD

There is no secret now about the Yesteryear Ringers' picture published in the issue of September 22nd. It was taken in the belfry of Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford, when the Mayor, Ald. F. Bennett, unveiled a peal board commemorating a peal of Stedman Cinques, rung on July 20th, 1931, by the Oxford Society of Change Ringers.

The unveiling took place in April 1932 and the Mayor and four other members of the council were welcomed by a touch of 387 Stedman Cinques rung by S. Taylor 1, Mrs. A. E. Lock 2, Miss M. Reynolds 3, F. Exon 4, W. G. Brigham 5, W. Blake 6, F. Taylor 7, R. A. Post 8, W. F. Judge (cond.) 9, V. Bennett 10, G. Caudwell 11, W. Simmonds 12.

The Mayor was welcomed by the president of the Society (Mr. W. Collett) who said ringing was not so easy as some people thought; it was both difficult and scientific. The peal board commemorated one of the most important peals ever rung in the tower and one of which they were very proud.

Ald. Bennett, in presenting and unveiling the board, thanked the Society on behalf of the City Council for the honour that had been done them and congratulated the ringers on their performance.

This information has been supplied to us by Mr. Walter F. Judge, who is still the Ringing Master of the Society. He and Mr. W. Simmonds, now living at Babbacombe, have written to us giving the following identities: Standing at the back: —, Herbert Badder, Harry Gardner, William H. B. Wilkins, Walter F. Judge (conductor). Holding the ropes are Ald. C. Brown (a well-known ringer), Ald. F. Bennett (the Mayor), Councillor A. Skipper and Councillor A. Cripps.

Others in the picture from left to right were: —, Arthur Hawes, Kenneth Walker, William Blake —, Samuel Hounslow, William Simmonds, Philip Walker (present secretary, Oxford Society), William G. E. Collett and Walter Brigham.

Mr. W. F. Judge, in his letter, states unfortunately the photographer did not succeed in getting all the company present into the picture. Other well-known ringers present were Harry Miles, Frankie Taylor, Sydney Taylor, Dick Post.

PROGRESSIVE SALES

Thanks to the generous support of the Hereford Diocesan Guild, we had a record sale of 6,059 copies for the issue of September 22nd. This tops a very fine effort by the Derby Diocesan Association, which resulted in 6,046 copies being sold for the issue of September 8th. Our Wymondham Abbey number, although without a tinted cover, missed the 6,000 mark by 14 copies.

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD

Quite unexpectedly the weather turned warm and sunny for the afternoon of September 2nd, when the quarterly meeting of the Southern District was held at Gorseinon. Unfortunately the attendance was poor, only six towers being represented.

The service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. Trevor Evans, and the tea was served in the Church Hall. The Vicar and the ladies were warmly thanked.

A visit to Sketty for the annual District meeting on December 2nd was agreed to.

Mr. Glyn Thomas, captain of the Gorseinon ringers, was assured that help was forthcoming from the District if and when required.

Two new members were elected. J. A. H.

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QUARTER PEALS

GWENNAP, CORNWALL.—On Sept. 18th, 780 Grandsire Doubles, 480 Plain Bob: D. Stephens 1, T. R. Hart 2, E. H. Langley 3, D. Jones 4, G. F. Dunstan (cond.) 5. A compliment to ringer of 3rd, on his 66th birthday and 41st wedding anniversary.

LIMERICK.—On Sept. 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: D. W. Galbraith (14, first quarter) 1, T. T. Maraden 2, T. A. Curran 3, W. A. Patterson 4, F. E. Dicks (cond.) 5, G. H. Ellis 6, C. W. Galbraith 7, F. G. Bingham 8.

LEIGHTON BUZZARD, BEDS.—On Aug. 13th, 1,260 Little Bob Royal: Mrs. J. Sinfield 1, A. Jeffs 2, F. Coughton 3, J. Sinfield 4, H. Whitney 5, J. Cloughton 6, A. Frost (cond.) 7, K. Jackson 8, P. Williams 9, R. Woodruffe 10. Also on Sept. 17th, 1,340 Plain Bob Royal: Margaret Durrington 1, Susan Jackson 2, Ann Houghton 3, H. Whitney 4, E. Houghton 5, E. Conquest 6, A. Frost (cond.) 7, K. Jackson 8, R. Gaylor 9, R. Woodruffe 10. To commemorate the ordination of Father Lack to the priesthood this day.

LISS, HANTS.—On Sept. 12th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Gillian Read 1, D. M. Hughes 2, B. S. Gambrill (cond.) 3, N. Lambert 4, T. S. Bowles 5, R. Lintott 6. As a birthday and "get well" compliment to Miss L. Read, a local ringer.

MAIDSTONE, KENT.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, on September 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. Richardson (first of Minor) 1, P. Muchlinski 2, H. Osborne 3, M. Barden 4, M. L. Howe 5, S. A. Wigg (cond.) 6.

OXFORD.—At St. Ebbe's Church, on Sept. 17th, 1,248 Plain Bob Major: A. V. Hodge 1, Miss C. Baker 2, A. R. Pink (cond.) 3, Miss C. A. Salter 4, H. W. Badger 5, C. Cole 6, N. Chesson 7, C. I. Rowson 8. For Evensong.

MARCH, CAMBS.—On Sept. 17th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, St. Martin's, St. Simon's, Plain Bob): W. Moore 1, A. Palmer 2, P. H. Langton 3, D. Feek 4, I. A. Bevis (cond.) 5, R. Lee 6. For Morning Prayer.

RINGWOOD, HANTS.—On Sept. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. O. Coleman 1, W. E. Cheater 2, Miss Faith Riley 3, D. G. Andrews (first quarter) 4, A. Nunn 5, A. W. Fry 6, W. T. Perrins (cond.) 7, L. T. Perrins 8.

RUARDEAN, GLOS.—On Sept. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Wendy Cox 1, Mary Gale (first "inside") 2, L. Meadows 3, Howard Meek 4, J. J. Wenb (cond.) 5, Harold Meek 6. A golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. W. Penn, of this parish.

RUSHALL, STAFFS.—On Sept. 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. J. Fletcher (first of Minor) 1, S. T. Yates (first of Minor) 2, Miss P. Sedgwick 3, Miss M. L. Ellwood 4, N. White 5, P. G. K. Davies (cond.) 6.

SOUTHWARK, LONDON.—At the Cathedral, on Sept. 17th, 1,311 S. dman Cinques: C. T. Richards 1, M. T. Sprackling 2, Olive L. Rogers 3, P. N. Felton 4, M. J. Uphill 5, L. C. Way 6, J. R. Pratt 7, W. G. Wilson 8, C. M. Meyer 9, J. W. Smith (cond.) 10, H. W. Rogers 11, K. J. Rider 12. For Nave Evensong.

STITHANS, CORNWALL.—On Sept. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. J. Dunstan 1, A. J. Davidson 2, Barbara J. Duck 3, D. Stephens 4, G. F. Dunstan (cond.) 5, D. R. Dunstan 6. For Harvest Festival.

STAPLETON, BRISTOL.—On Sept. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Linda J. Slade 1, D. J. Helliwell 2, N. P. Hancock 3, D. R. Livesey 4, R. W. Sweet (cond.) 5, J. M. Shingler 6. A wedding compliment to Miss S. M. Slade and R. Caines, married earlier this day.

TORTWORTH, GLOS.—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Linda J. Slade 1, D. J. Helliwell 2, J. M. Shingler 3, R. W. Sweet 4, M. Powell (first as cond.) 5, N. P. Hancock 6. To celebrate the launching earlier this day of the new Cunard Liner, Queen Elizabeth II.

TRURO, CORNWALL.—At the Cathedral, on Sept. 5th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Gay Meyrick (first on ten) 1, A. Carveth (cond.) 2, D. Burnett 3, G. F. Dunstan 4, G. D. Carter 5, J. J. George 6, A. F. Burley 7, A. Locke 8, A. J. Davidson 9, D. A. Trethewey 10. A compliment to Gay Meyrick on leaving for university.

WARKTON, NORTHANTS.—On Sept. 17th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): D. Redfean 1, Brenda Redfean 2, Hilary Knight 3, C. N. Stephenson 4, B. P. Morris (cond.) 5. Rung prior to Harvest Thanksgiving, and as an engagement compliment to Peter Aslett and Hilary Knight.

WARNFORD, HANTS.—On Sept. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles Sally Stacey 1, R. Tipper 2, D. Hatherly (aged 14, first attempt as cond.) 3, K. Sansom 4, C. Bassett 5, K. Tipper 6. Also on Sept. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles: Sandra Pearce 1, Mary White 2, Maureen White 3, K. G. Waller 4, C. E. Bassett (cond.) 5, T. White 6.

WINSOMBE, SOMERSET.—On Aug. 12th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: N. P. Hancock 1, Jennifer Murrell 2, R. Sweet 3, W. Abraham 4, S. Badman 5, D. Helliwell 6, E. F. Hancock (cond.) 7, M. J. Hancock 8. First of Stedman for 1, 2, 5 and 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Frederick Hancock, many years sexton at this church, interred this day.

YORK.—At the Minster Church of St. Peter, on Sept. 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: P. Balchin 1, Miss S. Mitchell 2, D. Clegg 3, Miss M. Wilkinson 4, T. Brighton 5, H. Walker 6, A. W. Leggatt 7, M. Staniforth 8, B. Sutton 9, A. E. Hartley (cond.) 10. First quarter on 10 bells for 1, 2 and 5. Rung prior to the Flowers in York Minster Festival service.

OBITUARY

MR. JAMES W. CHAPMAN

We have received, from his old friend John Euston, an appreciation of Mr. James W. Chapman, who died in St. Helier's Hospital on August 21st.

"Jim" came to London from Whittlesey, Cambs, in 1899 and joined the All Hallows', Tottenham, band. In 1903 he was ringing with J. Parker at Edmonton and soon rang his first peal—Superlative "inside." He moved to Clapham in 1905 and was made welcome by Mr. and Mrs. Hairs and their brilliant son Frank. Jim was very gifted; he could play the piano well and chime almost anything on bells.

His great work as a ringer was in connection with St. Leonard's, Streatham. He became captain and tower keeper in 1913, and when he retired 50 years later he was presented at a meeting of parishioners and friends with a cheque for £25.

In 1913 he joined the staff of Barkers at Kensington and except for his service in France with the R.A.S.C. during World War I, served them loyally until his retirement in 1948. He was very proud of his link with "the House of Fraser."

For many years he lived at 47, Stanford Way. "He was placed in an old people's home 'on holiday' and when he thought he was going back home, I had the unenviable task of informing him that his house and home was sold. Shortly afterwards he was moved to St. Helier's Hospital and I was with him for the last time on August 20th. He passed away peacefully the next day."

Mr. L. R. Pizzezy was ordained a deacon on September 24th. He is serving his title at Bramford, Suffolk, where a welcoming quarter peal was rung that day.

Congratulations to the Key family, of Gnosall. A family peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung at Swynnerton on September 14th by husband, wife and their son and three daughters.

Novello and Co. Ltd., the music publishers, of 27, Soho Square, London, W.1, are anxious to obtain a pamphlet entitled "Quarter Chimes and Chime Times" by William Wooding Stainer.

The University of Bristol Society has two summer tours, one for those in residence and the other for non-residents, their wives and children. In this year's Devon tour of the seniors the kindergarten was very substantial.

On the cricket field at Mullion on September 9th the Penzance Branch of the Truro Diocesan Guild avenged their earlier defeat by the Truro Branch: Truro 49 (G. F. Dunstan 19), Penzance 50 for 5.

Newbury ringers entered into the spirit of the town's festival week. Five quarters were attempted, but only three were successful. Thanks are due to friends from neighbouring towers who helped out, some at very short notice.

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BELFRY GOSSIP

The sympathy of his many English friends will be extended to Tony Mann, now in Western Australia, in the passing of his father, Cecil Robert Mann, on August 24th. An in memoriam quarter peal of Plain Bob Major was rung "in hand" at Embleton, W.A., conducted by his son, and a similar tribute on the Cathedral bells.

The ringers of the front five in the peal at Malvern Link on September 19th are members of the local band. The wives of the ringers of 1, 3 and 4 are also members of the band, and the birthdays of the daughters of the ringers of 1, 4 and 5 all fall within the week of the peal being rung.

"The Hampshire Hogs," headed by Geoffrey Dodd, had a great time in South Wales during three days in August spent in camp near Barry. So enthusiastic are they over their reception that their correspondent writes: "We shall be back again next year to sample more of your lovely scenery and good bells."

At the joint meeting of the Essex Association and the Suffolk Guild at Bocking on September 16th there was present an American lady and her "kids." Call changes and Bob Minor was put on for their benefit and afterwards came a beautiful touch of Superlative. One mystery remains—did Harold Moore tamper with the tenor; he certainly enjoyed it every time anyone failed to stand first time.

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THE LATEST 1,000th PEAL RINGER

Congratulations to Mr. W. F. Moreton, the honorary secretary of the Yorkshire Association, on ringing his 1,000th peal. It was one of seven Minor methods rung at Holy Trinity, Darlington, on September 23rd as part of the celebrations of the 90th anniversary of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association. Mr. Moreton was present later in the day at the Association's dinner at St. Aidan's College, Durham. This ringing milestone was not, however, disclosed otherwise a most cordial toast would have been added to the long list. He is the 29th ringer to gain this distinction.

SUDBURY TOWER TO REMAIN

The Riverside Church of St. Mary, Sudbury-on-Thames, is shortly to undergo major structural changes, in which much of it will be demolished and rebuilt to a different design. The brick tower, however, with its metal dome, attractive cupola and musical ring of eight bells (tenor 14½ cwt.), is to be saved to serve, in the course of time the new church which will be bonded to it on the same three walls as at present, but at lower statures.

TWO CENTURIES AFTER

In March, 1767, a peal of 10,080 Plain Bob Major was rung in St. Mary's, Debenham. A peal of the same length and in the same method was rung on St. Mary's bells on September 16th, conducted by Mr. H. Egglestone. Others in the band were Messrs. L. Pizzey, L. Brett, R. Rogers, J. B. Pickup, T. J. Bailey, R. Whittell and M. Howes.

The time taken was six hours and four minutes, three minutes longer than the peal of 200 years ago. The conductor points out to "The East Anglian Daily Times" that the present tenor is two cwt. heavier than its predecessor.

LLANDAFF CATHEDRAL GUILD BEAT FRUSTRATIONS

Llandaff Cathedral Guild this week records its first ten bell peal, which was arranged to mark the retirement of the popular head verger after 32 years' service. But it nearly did not take place, as one of the original band dropped out on the day before. A Guild member was fortunately found to replace him, but she in turn had to call off on the day of the peal. The organiser had half an hour to find a Guild replacement. Miss Judith Ashcroft was rushed from home and rang very well to record her first peal "inside."

KENT M.P. WITH RINGERS

A combined meeting of the Ashford District and the Ladies' Guild was held at Wittersham on September 16th, the first since the bells were rehung. Appledore bells were also available before the service, which was conducted by the Rev. Graham Harrison.

A distinguished visitor was Mr. William Deedes, M.P. for Ashford who, with the other visitors, was welcomed by the chairman, Mr. A. S. Phelps. Mr. Deedes is an associate member of the Kent County Association.

The buffet tea, prepared by local ringers and friends, was of an exceptionally high standard and Mrs. Mitchell expressed thanks on behalf of the Ladies' Guild for the very happy meeting.

THE JENNIE ARMSTRONG SONG

By JOHN BIBBY

(Sung by John and Katherine Bibby for Miss Jane Skee Armstrong at a school concert at Morpeth.)

The sun set o'er the Wansbeck:
Street lamps shone all about,
But it was a black day for Morpeth—
They locked poor Jennie out.

Chorus:

Tell me Jennie, if you can,
Who rings the curfew bell?
Is it you, or a clockwork machine,
That rings the curfew bell

Said Jennie to the Council:

"They've locked the tower door—
If they do it again, I'll pack it all in,
And ring the bells no more."

Chorus.

"We may not need you, Jennie,
Nor your brother Fred;
We may install an electric machine
To do the job instead."

Chorus.

Across the vale of Wansbeck,
Still comes the curfew ring,
But the bell would never sound the same
As when Jennie pulled the string.

Tell me Jennie, if you can,
Who rings the curfew bell?
Is it you, or a clockwork machine,
That rings the curfew bell?

BECKENHAM'S DAY IN RURAL KENT

If ever there was a suitable theme song for a band of ringers it must surely have been "When you come to the end of a perfect day" for the ringers and friends of St. George's, Beckenham, when they ended their annual outing in grand manner with a dinner at the well-named "Pilgrim's Rest" at Wrotham on September 9th.

About 9.15 a.m., within a radius of nine miles, five cars containing 19 people and one dog started converging on Biddenden, Kent, our first tower, and within a few minutes of 10.45, the scheduled time, everyone had arrived. The picturesque village of Benenden was our next stop. After an appetising lunch at Tenxerden we rang there, the wrong way round, much to our consternation.

We arrived at Hythe just as the local ringers had finished ringing for a wedding, and a local ringer kindly warned a nearby cafe that a number of thirsty ringers would shortly be invading for tea.

The six at Sellindge—how lovely to find a belfry on the ground-floor—were in our next tower, and we ended our ringing on the lovely eight at Ashford, where the ringing chamber is a joy to behold.

Everywhere we went we were met by someone from the local band. We rang methods from Grandsire Doubles to Yorkshire Major, including a Beckenham Special Outing course of Duffield. There were no cross words, no inquests; the sun shone all day; no one got lost (roadwise!); parking spaces appeared as if by magic, even in the busiest towns, and I am sure this outing will long be remembered.

D. J. L.

POLICE GUILD'S NEW PRESIDENT

The new president of the National Guild of Police Ringers is Mr. George Cousins, the honorary secretary of the Hereford Diocesan Guild. The annual meeting took place at Cheltenham on September 23rd at the Cheltenham Central Police Station, by kind permission of the Chief Constable of Gloucestershire. Mr. E. P. White. The office of secretary and treasurer remains unchanged—P.C. Arthur Pearce, of 197, Wythenshawe Road, Manchester 23, being re-elected. The next A.G.M. will be held at Grantham on Saturday, September 22nd, 1968.

A good programme of ringing was arranged, bells being available at Leckhampton, Charlton Kings, Cheltenham, Prestbury and Tewkesbury Abbey.

The dinner was held at Guphill Manor, Tewkesbury, that evening and guests included the Rev. C. G. R. Pouncey, Vicar of Tewkesbury; Mr. W. A. Farmer, chairman of the Cheltenham Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Association; Miss E. M. Bliss, chairman of the Gloucester and Bristol Association. The Deputy Chief Constable of Gloucestershire (Mr. H. D. J. Smith) was unable to attend; he was represented by Sgt. W. G. Seadamore.

HEREFORD CATHEDRAL RESTORER

Mr. Julian W. Litten, of 42, Marlborough Drive, Clayhall, Ilford, who is writing a book on the Scott family of architects, asks for information concerning this talented family. John Olrid Scott, who worked on the restoration of Hereford Cathedral (1901-1907), was a son of the famous Sir George Gilbert Scott; he died in 1913 while working on the rebuilding of Selby Abbey.

TEWKESBURY BRANCH'S LONG DAY

The annual outing of the Tewkesbury Branch on September 16th was in Herefordshire and Mid-Wales, an 8 a.m. start being made. First ringing was on the fine eight at Burghill. Then came Staunton on the River Wye (a very nice six, tenor 13 cwt., rehung by Taylors in 1957). The Wye was crossed at Bredwardine, where nearly an hour was spent on a light six.

We now travelled on to the Welsh Hay, where lunch was had at the Crown Hotel. Our party then moved on to Clifford, where there was some very enjoyable ringing on the eight bells (tenor 12½ cwt.). After safely negotiating the toll bridge at Whitney, the party eventually arrived at Eardisley, where some good Minor methods were rung.

Leaving the Wye Valley we proceeded along the Hay to the Leominster road, viewing the beautiful Herefordshire countryside with the fine apple orchards and the famous Hereford cattle, and eventually arrived at Weobley, where we indulged in a very welcome tea. Tewkesbury was reached at about 11.20 p.m.

Many thanks to our chairman for assisting me, Mr. J. Attwood for keeping to the programme times, and also to Mr. John Hope for helping with tower arrangements.

L. C. P.

TOTNES OUTING

Totnes ringers had a successful outing into North Devon on September 23rd arranged by their captain, Mr. S. J. French. Ringing started at Hatherleigh and the journey to Ilfracombe for lunch was via Torrington, Bideford and Barnstaple. The towers visited on the return journey were Combe Martin, South Molton, Crediton and Exeter.

MR. T. J. LOCK'S TOUR IN YORKSHIRE

RUNG FOR THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

DARLINGTON, Co. Durham.—At the Collegiate Church of St. Cuthbert.

On Sat., Aug. 26, 1967, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 14 lb. in F.

Neil Donovan Treble	Ernest Pannell 5
Ronald H. Bullen 2	Thomas Cooke 6
Kenneth Arthur 3	Stuart Armeson 7
Gordon A. Halls 4	Richard E. Price Tenor

Composed by R. J. Parker. Conducted by Stuart Armeson.

RUNG FOR THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

HEDON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Augustine.

On Mon., Aug. 28, 1967, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in E.

Martin F. Lock Treble	Gordon A. Halls 5
Ronald H. Bullen 2	Kenneth Arthur 6
Ronald J. Sharp 3	Dennis Knox 7
E. Winifred Keys 4	Thomas J. Lock Tenor

Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by Thomas J. Lock.

HULL, Yorkshire.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Mon., Aug. 28, 1967, in 3 Hours and 37 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb. in D.

Ronald H. Bullen Treble	Rev. Fred Ross 7
*Ruth M. Foreman 2	Gerald Penney 8
Thomas J. Lock 3	Philip Mehew 9
Martin F. Lock 4	Stuart Armeson 10
Neil Donovan 5	George E. Fearn 11
Dennis Knox 6	Richard E. Price Tenor

Composed by R. W. Pipe. Conducted by Richard E. Price.

* First peal of Maximus.

NORTON-JUXTA-MALTON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Tues., Aug. 29, 1967, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. in F

Martin F. Lock Treble	Alick Cutler 5
Eric Edmondson 2	Thomas J. Lock 6
Ronald J. Sharp 3	Richard E. Price 7
Edgar R. Rapley 4	Stuart Armeson Tenor

Composed by R. J. Tibbetts. Conducted by Stuart Armeson.

COLLINGHAM, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Oswald.

On Tues., Aug. 29, 1967, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5024 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. in B flat.

E. Winifred Keys Treble	*Ronald J. Sharp 5
Ronald H. Bullen 2	Martin F. Lock 6
Ruth M. Foreman 3	Gordon A. Halls 7
Edgar R. Rapley 4	Thomas J. Lock Tenor

Composed by R. Baldwin. Conducted by Gordon A. Halls.

* 600th peal.

TADCASTER, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Tues., Aug. 29, 1967, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 YORK SURPRISE MAJOR

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

*Eric Edmondson Treble	*Philip Mehew 5
†Neil Donovan 2	George E. Fearn 6
*Kenneth Arthur 3	*Dennis Knox 7
*‡Gerald Penney 4	Richard E. Price Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Dennis Knox.

* First peal in the method. † 150th peal. ‡ 350th peal.

CARLTON-IN-CLEVELAND, Yorks.—At the Church of St. Botolph.

On Wed., Aug. 30, 1967, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 7 lb. in F.

Alick Cutler Treble	Neil Donovan 5
Ronald H. Bullen 2	Stuart Armeson 6
Ronald J. Sharp 3	Dennis Knox 7
Eric Edmondson 4	George E. Fearn Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by Stuart Armeson.

HOVINGHAM, Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Wed., Aug. 30, 1967, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Norwich Surprise, London Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford Bob, St. Clement's Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. in G.	
Gordon A. Halls Treble	Kenneth Arthur 4
E. Winifred Keys 2	Thomas J. Lock 5
Edgar R. Rapley 3	Gerald Penney Tenor

Conducted by Gerald Penney.

First peal on the bells.

WHITBY, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Wed., Aug. 30, 1967, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 19 cwt. in E.

E. Winifred Keys Treble	Stuart Armeson 6
Thomas J. Lock 2	Gordon A. Halls 7
*Martin F. Lock 3	George E. Fearn 8
Neil Donovan 4	Gerald Penney 9
Dennis Knox 5	Richard E. Price Tenor

Composed by F. E. Darby. Conducted by Gerald Penney.

* First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Royal.

THIRSK, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Thurs., Aug. 31, 1967, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

Eric Edmondson Treble	E. Winifred Keys 5
Edgar R. Rapley 2	Martin F. Lock 6
Ronald J. Sharp 3	Ronald H. Bullen 7
Ruth M. Foreman 4	Thomas J. Lock Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by Thomas J. Lock.

MIDDLEHAM, Yorkshire.—At the Church of SS. Mary and Alkelda.

On Fri., Sept. 1, 1967, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5152 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. in E

Ronald H. Bullen Treble	Gerald Penney 5
Edgar R. Rapley 2	Kenneth Arthur 6
Ronald J. Sharp 3	Thomas J. Lock 7
E. Winifred Keys 4	Philip Mehew Tenor

Composed by S. Humphrey. Conducted by Philip Mehew.

BIRSTWITH, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sat., Sept. 2, 1967, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 WATFORD SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. in G.

*Stuart Armeson Treble	Gerald Penney 5
Edgar R. Rapley 2	*Neil Donovan 6
*Eric Edmondson 3	*Philip Mehew 7
*E. Winifred Keys 4	Richard E. Price Tenor

Composed by D. Knox. Conducted by Richard E. Price.

* First peal in the method.

A TOUR OF WEST WALES

RUNG FOR THE ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD.

BURRY PORT, Carmarthenshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., Aug. 21st, 1967, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 21 extents each of Plain Bob and Grandsire. Tenor 7 cwt.	
Leslie S. Hodges Treble	Rev. Michael Hart 3
*Simon Rogers 2	Robert D. Hodges 4

Richard L. Underwood .. Tenor

Conducted by Richard L. Underwood.

* First of Doubles "inside."

LLANDEILO, Carmarthenshire.—At the Church of St. Teilo.

On Mon., Aug. 21, 1967, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents: Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb.

*William P. E. Sage Treble	Philip C. Rogers 4
Richard L. Underwood 2	Robert D. Hodges 5
Richard C. Warburton 3	Rev. Michael Hart Tenor

Conducted by Richard L. Underwood.

* First peal of Minor.

HAVERFORDWEST, Pembrokeshire.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Mon., Aug. 28, 1967, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 19 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb.

*Robert D. Hodges Treble	Rev. Russen W. Thomas 5
*Philip C. Rogers 2	Paul J. Bagshaw 6
Rev. Michael Hart 3	Marcus C. W. Sherwood 7
*Rhian N. Bagshaw 4	Peter D. Sell Tenor

Composed by H. Hubbard. Conducted by Marcus C. W. Sherwood.

* First peal of Triples. Believed to be the first peal on the bells since 1927 and the first in the method for the Guild.

ST. DAVID'S, Pembrokeshire.—At the Cathedral Church of SS. Mary and Andrew.

On Tues., Aug. 29, 1967, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 24 cwt.

Robert D. Hodges Treble	Adrian C. Boorman 5
Peter D. Sell 2	Richard C. Warburton 6
Philip C. Rogers 3	Rev. Michael Hart 7
Derek H. Walters 4	Marcus C. W. Sherwood Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pilstow. Conducted by Marcus C. W. Sherwood.

25th peal as conductor.

ST. FLORENCE, Pembrokeshire.—At the Church of St. Florentius.

On Tues., Aug. 29, 1967, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being two 2,160's and one 720. Tenor 8 cwt.
Simon Rogers Treble .. Rev. Russen W. Thomas .. 4
Derek H. Walters 2 .. Rev. Michael Hart 5
*Marcus C. W. Sherwood 3 .. Peter D. Sell Tenor

Conducted by Marcus C. W. Sherwood.

* 50th peal. First peal of Surprise on the bells.

CARMARTHEN.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Wed., Aug. 30, 1967, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Taylor's six-part. Tenor 15 cwt.
*Leslie S. Hodges Treble .. Rev. Russen W. Thomas .. 5
Derek H. Walters 2 .. Marcus C. W. Sherwood .. 6
†Robert D. Hodges 3 .. Rev. Michael Hart 7
Peter D. Sell 4 .. Richard C. Warburton .. Tenor

Conducted by Marcus C. W. Sherwood.

* First peal of Triples. † First in the method. Believed to be the first peal on the bells since 1923.

LLANSTEPHAN, Carmarthenshire.—At the Church of St. Ystyffan.

On Wed., Aug. 30, 1967, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.
*Robert D. Hodges Treble .. Richard C. Warburton .. 5
Derek H. Walters 2 .. Philip C. Rogers 6
Rev. Michael Hart 3 .. Marcus C. W. Sherwood .. 7
Rev. Russen W. Thomas 4 .. Peter D. Sell Tenor

Composed by H. Dains. Conducted by Marcus C. W. Sherwood.

* First peal of Treble Bob Major.

TENBY, Pembrokeshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Thurs., Aug. 31, 1967, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.
Robert D. Hodges Treble .. Philip C. Rogers 5
Derek H. Walters 2 .. Rev. Russen W. Thomas .. 6
Peter D. Sell 3 .. Marcus C. W. Sherwood .. 7
Richard C. Warburton .. 4 .. Rev. Michael Hart Tenor

Composed by J. Thorp. Conducted by Marcus C. W. Sherwood.

PEMBROKE.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Sat., Sept. 2, 1967, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 ST. SIMON'S TRIPLES

Tenor 12 cwt.
*Andrew Lingard Treble .. Rev. Russen W. Thomas .. 5
†Simon Rogers 2 .. Peter D. Sell 6
Philip C. Rogers 3 .. Marcus C. W. Sherwood .. 7
Rev. Michael Hart 4 .. Robert D. Hodges Tenor

Conducted by Marcus C. W. Sherwood.

* First peal. † First of Triples. First in the method for the Guild.

SOUTH YORKSHIRE PEAL WEEK

ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BRADFORD, Yorkshire.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Sept. 9, 1967, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 25½ cwt.
Gibson Jackson Treble .. Ernest J. Padgett 6
Anne P. Leigh 2 .. Neil Donovan 7
W. Eric Critchley 3 .. Frederick J. Jackson .. 8
Alan E. Hartley 4 .. Ian M. Holland 9
Richard J. Parker 5 .. Richard E. Price Tenor

Composed and Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.

BARNESLEY, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Sept. 11, 1967, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5184 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Washbrook's variation. Tenor 13½ cwt.
Ernest J. Padgett Treble .. Richard E. Price 5
Gibson Jackson 2 .. Alan E. Hartley 6
Anne P. Leigh 3 .. Neil Donovan 7
W. Eric Critchley 4 .. Frederick J. Jackson .. Tenor

Conducted by Frederick J. Jackson.

HANDSWORTH, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Tues., Sept. 12, 1967, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, being 1,280 of Cambridge, 1,280 Lincolnshire, 1,440 Yorkshire and 1,120 Rutland, with 64 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell. Tenor 12 cwt.
Ernest J. Padgett Treble .. Neil Donovan 5
Howard Scott 2 .. Richard E. Price 6
Anne P. Leigh 3 .. Frederick J. Jackson .. 7
W. Eric Critchley 4 .. Gibson Jackson Tenor

Composed by P. G. K. Davies. Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.

Rung in memory of A. Percival Knights.

BOLSTERSTONE, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Tues., Sept. 12, 1967, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5152 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt.
Frederick J. Jackson .. Treble .. Alan E. Hartley 5
Howard Scott 2 .. John R. Whitham 6
Anne P. Leigh 3 .. Neil Donovan 7
W. Eric Critchley 4 .. Richard E. Price Tenor

Composed by S. Humphrey.

Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.

TICKHILL, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Wed., Sept. 13, 1967, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13½ cwt.
W. Eric Critchley Treble .. Ernest J. Padgett 5
Howard Scott 2 .. Gibson Jackson 6
Alan E. Hartley 3 .. Neil Donovan 7
John R. Whitham 4 .. Richard E. Price Tenor

Composed by R. W. Pipe.

Conducted by Richard E. Price.

SPROTBOROUGH, Yorks.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Wed., Sept. 13, 1967, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5154 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8½ cwt.
Richard E. Price Treble .. Alan E. Hartley 5
Howard Scott 2 .. Neil Donovan 6
Anne P. Leigh 3 .. Ernest J. Padgett 7
W. Eric Critchley 4 .. Frederick J. Jackson .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.

Rung in memory of Ethel E. Warrender of this parish.

EAST ARDSLEY, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Thurs., Sept. 14, 1967, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 20½ cwt.
Anne P. Leigh Treble .. John R. Whitham 5
Frederick J. Jackson .. 2 .. Ernest J. Padgett 6
W. Eric Critchley 3 .. Alan E. Hartley 7
Gibson Jackson 4 .. Richard E. Price Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pittow.

Conducted by Frederick J. Jackson.

HEDON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Augustine.

On Fri., Sept. 15th, 1967, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 WATFORD SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17½ cwt.
John R. Whitham Treble .. Gibson Jackson 5
Anne P. Leigh 2 .. Neil Donovan 6
W. Eric Critchley 3 .. Ian M. Holland 7
Alan E. Hartley 4 .. Richard E. Price Tenor

Composed by D. Knox.

Conducted by Richard E. Price.

SKIPTON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., Sept. 16, 1967, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22½ cwt.
Howard Scott Treble .. Neil Donovan 5
Anne P. Leigh 2 .. Ernest J. Padgett 6
W. Eric Critchley 3 .. Frederick J. Jackson .. 7
Gibson Jackson 4 .. Richard E. Price Tenor

Composed by R. Baldwin.

Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.

OTHER PEALS

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE, Northumberland.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sat., Sept. 28, 1967, in 3 Hours and 56 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 37 cwt. 2 qr. 17 lb in D flat.
David E. Rothera Treble .. George S. Deas 7
Robert E. J. Dennis .. 2 .. Andrew J. Corby 8
Christopher H. Rogers .. 3 .. Philip A. Corby 9
Alan R. Patterson 4 .. Rodney B. Meadows .. 10
John D. Rock 5 .. Brian D. Threlfall .. 11
Alan J. Frost 6 .. Michael P. Moreton Tenor

Composed by P. Border.

Conducted by Alan J. Frost.

Rung in honour of the 90th anniversary of the Newcastle and Durham Diocesan Association.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

ASHWICK, Somerset.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sun., Sept. 17, 1967, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents, viz.: (1) Carlisle, Northumberland, Sandiacre, (2) London, Wells, Cuneastre, (3) London, Wells, (4) York, Durham, (5) Surfleet Beverley (6 and 7) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Primrose, Hull and Bourne. Tenor 7 cwt. in B sharp.
*Eric C. Wadman Treble .. *Phillip H. D. Jones .. 4
Ronald G. Beck 2 .. Adrian P. Beck 5
Edward J. Chivers 3 .. Robert E. Beck Tenor

Conducted by Adrian P. Beck.

* First peal of Surprise Minor.

COMPTON BISHOP, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Andrew.
On Sat., Sept. 16, 1967, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 14 methods, being three extents each of Stedman, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Nicholas, Winchendon Place, Union, New, Huntspill, Oakley Slow Course, Itchingfield Slow Course, Grandsire, Antelope, Plain Bob, St. Simon and St. Martin.

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb.

*Christopher Avery Treble	Stanley Lewis 4
*Raymond Jones 2	John Walton 5
John Coombs 3	*John Chaplin Tenor

Conducted by John Walton.

* First peal in 14 methods. First as conductor in 14 methods.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss Anne White, a ringer at Compton Bishop for 13 years, and Dr Gavin Williams, married this day.

WELLOW, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Julian.

On Sat., Sept. 23, 1967, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents each of Cambridge Surprise and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in E flat.

*Kay Whittaker Treble	Ian P. Cox 4
Julian E. Newman 2	Peter J. Devrell 5
Andrew Swatton 3	Alan F. Lee Tenor

Conducted by Alan F. Lee.

* First peal of Minor.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Clive Packer and Jennifer Reardon, both local ringers.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

WRENBURY, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Margaret.

On Sat., Sept. 9, 1967 in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In nine methods: (1) Single Oxford, (2) London, (3) Oxford Treble Bob, (4) Kingston and Sandal, (5) London Scholars' Pleasure and Capel, (6) Cambridge, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

Sidney Hough Treble	Geoffrey Gardner 4
Timothy Wylie 2	Neil D. Lomas 5
J. Derek Smith 3	Denis Mottershead Tenor

Conducted by Denis Mottershead.

KNUTSFORD, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist.

On Sat., Sept. 16, 1967, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Consisting of two extents of Kent Treble Bob and five extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 12½ cwt.

Geoffrey Green Treble	Adrian Hough 4
Norman Hough 2	Brian Schofield 5
David A. Godfrey 3	Harry W. Howard Tenor

Conducted by Harry W. Howard.

Rung with the best wishes of the band as a wedding compliment to Christopher J. Jones and Diana Bentley, both ringers at this church, where they were married before the peal attempt.

STOKE-ON-TERN, Shropshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Fri., Sept. 22, 1967, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt. in A.

*Stephen P. Newton .. Treble	†Geoffrey A. Edwards .. 4
A. Doreen Edwards .. 2	†John R. Scott 5
Frank R. Morton 3	Brian Harris Tenor

Conducted by Frank R. Morton.

* First peal of Minor. † 75th peal, all rung with the 3rd ringer.

Rung as a 65th birthday compliment to Mr. F. Morgan, the local tower captain.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

STAVERTON, Northants.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Tues., Sept. 19, 1967, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MINOR

Being seven extents in 53 methods, viz.: (1) Rodbourne, College, Buxton, St. Clement's, Childwall, Wavertree, London, Double Oxford, Thelwall, Westlecott, Pinehurst and Lytham Bob, (2) Luton, Ripley, Broomfield, Rhyl, Fyfield and Thorne Surprise, College Bob IV, Wilsden, Old Oxford, Newdigate and Ashbocking Delight (11 methods arranged by A. J. Cox), (3) London Scholars' Pleasure, Kingston, Sandal, Capel, College Exercise, Norbury, Duke of Norfolk and Ockley Treble Bob, Nostel, Pilsey, Blythe and Staverton Delight (12 methods by A. R. Peake), (4) St. Albans, Wagby, Neasden, and Charlwood Delight, (5) Cambridge, Norfolk, Keston, Hull, Primrose, Bourne and Ipswich Surprise, (6) Durham, Surfleet, Beverley and York Surprise, (7) Plain, Double and Oxford Bob, with 121 changes of method and a plain lead of each method included.

Stephen F. Royal Treble	Peter C. Randall 4
Anthony J. Cox 2	Robert W. Sherrieff 5
Richard J. Danby 3	Geoffrey W. Randall .. Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey W. Randall.

Most methods yet rung to a peal by all the band, on the bells and for the Guild.

Rung with the best wishes of the band to Lieut. B. R. C. Elphick, R.N., brother-in-law of the ringer of the 5th, following his departure to the Far East on duty. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb. in G.

Extents 2 and 3 are now rung for the first time.

STAVERTON DELIGHT

—34—16—12—36,14—12,56. 2nds.

CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION.
CLEATOR MOOR, Cumberland.—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist.

On Sat., Aug. 26, 1967, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

F. John Nelson Treble	Geoffrey Gardner 5
Philip G. K. Davies 2	Richard S. Starkie 6
Kenneth R. Davenport .. 3	John Robinson 7
*Timothy Wylie 4	Denis Mottershead Tenor

Composed by H. G. Cashmore. Conducted by Denis Mottershead.
* First peal in the method.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

GREAT TORRINGTON, Devon.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Wed., Sept. 20, 1967, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's 12-part (6th obs.).	Tenor 15 cwt.
Frederick Goodfellow .. Treble	†Andrew J. White 5
Merryn Hutchings 2	D. Roy Bould 6
*David J. Ley 3	†J. Paul Coad 7
†Philip J. Daniel 4	John L. Queen Tenor

Conducted by D. Roy Bould.

* First peal of Triples "inside." † First of Grandsire Triples.
† First of Triples.

PARKHAM, Devonshire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Mon., Sept. 11, 1967, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being a 2,160 and four extents.	Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 22 lb. in G.
Ann Jenner Treble	R. Roger Savory 4
*J. Paul Coad 2	†Harry Stacey 5
*Philip J. Daniel 3	Stanley Jenner Tenor

Conducted by Stanley Jenner.

* First peal of Cambridge. † First of Cambridge Minor. First peal on the bells.

BROADWOOD KELLY, Devonshire.—At the Church of All Hallows.

On Wed., Sept. 13, 1967, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.	Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in A.
Arthur H. Everett Treble	Harry Stacey 4
Ann Jenner 2	Stanley Jenner 5
*John Everett 3	D. Roy Bould Tenor

Conducted by Stanley Jenner.

* First peal. First peal on the bells.

Rung as a 26th wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Everett.

EAST ALLINGTON, Devon.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Thurs., Sept. 14, 1967, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.	Tenor 12 cwt.
*Ernest J. Cann Treble	J. Paul Coad 4
John C. Mitchelmore .. 2	George E. Mudge 5
*Merryn Hutchings 3	D. Roy Bould Tenor

Conducted by D. Roy Bould.

* First peal of Minor. First peal on the bells.

DEVONSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF CALL CHANGE RINGERS.

NORTH TAWTON, Devon.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Thurs., Sept. 21, 1967, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Philip J. Daniel Treble	Clive G. Bryant 5
David J. Ley 2	D. Roy Bould 6
J. Paul Coad 3	Frank D. Mack 7
Andrew J. White 4	Norman Mallett Tenor

Composed by H. Hubbard. Conducted by Frank D. Mack.

Rung by members of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers as a token of thanksgiving for the life and work of Robert James Bennett, late captain of ringers at this church, prior to the dedication of a memorial plaque in the belfry.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

SOHAM, Cambridgeshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sun., Sept. 17, 1967, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Donald F. Murfet Treble	David E. Rothera 6
Susan Rothera 2	George E. Thoday 7
Ann E. Fellows 3	Philip J. Rothera 8
Kenneth J. Hesketh 4	John G. Gipson 9
Anthony H. Smith 5	Rev. Roger O. Fry Tenor

Composed by W. E. Critchley. Conducted by Kenneth J. Hesketh.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

NORTH WEALD, Essex.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Sept. 23, 1967, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

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

Ian R. Pantan Treble	Dennis A. S. Symonds .. 4
Yvonne A. Murray .. 2	Jqe E. G. Roast .. 5
*Mark P. Inskipp .. 3	James L. Towler Treble

* First peal. Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

HERSHAM, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Sept. 16, 1967, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. in G sharp.

*Jill M. May Treble	†Juliet S. Stoy 5
Richard C. Stevens .. 2	†Tony Skilton 6
John F. M. Maybrey .. 3	†Douglas A. R. May .. 7
Peter Henry 4	A. Patrick Cannon Tenor

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by Douglas A. R. May
* 50th peal for the Guild. † First peal of Double Norwich.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

STEWKLEY, Bucks.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sat., Sept. 16, 1967, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

C. Valerie Mills Treble	†Francis M. Byrne 5
Augustin V. Good .. 2	Brian M. Barker 6
Walter Ayre 3	†Keith Sheppard 7
*John Pearce 4	Reginald E. J. Sheppard Tenor

Composed by J. J. Brierley. Conducted by Walter Ayre.
* First peal on eight bells and first "inside." † First of Major "inside." ‡ First on eight bells. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb.

BENINGTON, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Sept. 23, 1967, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 ZELAH SURPRISE MAJOR

*Liz C. Duncan Treble	Ian L. Dear 5
John R. Ketteringham .. 2	Michael B. Jefferyes .. 6
Andrew J. Slade 3	†Robin R. Churchill .. 7
†Roger D. Bailey 4	Timothy G. Pett Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Roger D. Bailey.
* First peal. † 25th together. The conductor has now "completed the alphabet" to Surprise Major methods. Tenor 12 cwt. in F

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

MAIDSTONE, Kent.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., July 29, 1967 in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

No. 3 version. Tenor 32 cwt. 20 lb.	
Harold Evans Treble	Richard Hayes 6
Olive D. Tester 2	Christopher T. Osenton .. 7
Robert W. Hinde 3	Bernard F. L. Groves .. 8
*Alexander Waddington .. 4	Colin A. Tester 9
Martin L. Howe 5	Thomas Cullingworth .. Tenor

Composed by C. Kenneth Lewis. Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.
* First peal of Royal in the method.

BROMLEY, Kent.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Sept. 16, 1967, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 HIGHER WALTON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb. in F.

Ian H. Oram Treble	John W. Smith 5
John Pladdys 2	Michael H. O'Callaghan .. 6
Tony Lewis 3	D. Paul Smith 7
Margaret E. Fort 4	Thomas Cullingworth .. Tenor

Composed by Albert J. Pitman. Conducted by D. Paul Smith.
First peal in the method by all the band, in the county and for the Association. The treble ringer has now "circled the tower."

Rung on the occasion of the wedding at West Wickham this day of Roger Stenbridge, grandson of Percy T. Spice, and Gillian Graty.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, Kent.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Sept. 16, 1967, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 CLERKENWELL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. 2 lb. in F sharp.

Christine M. Webb Treble	D. Paul Smith 5
Michael H. O'Callaghan .. 2	Ian H. Oram 6
Margaret E. Fort 3	Tony Lewis 7
Arthur S. Richards 4	Thomas Cullingworth .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen J. Ivin. Conducted by Ian H. Oram.
First peal in the method by all the band and in the county.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

HALE, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Sept. 9, 1967, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Seven extents. Tenor 9 cwt. in A flat.	
Thomas W. Hesketh .. Treble	Nigel P. A. Goulding .. 4
Rachel J. Sinden 2	John R. Ridley 5
James Dunbavin 3	Graham K. Austin Tenor

Conducted by Thomas W. Hesketh.

Rung as a wedding compliment to David Howell and Pauline Leather.

HUYTON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sat., Sept. 16, 1967, in 3 Hours.

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN DOUBLES

Being 42 six-scores (15 callings). Tenor 14 cwt 3 qr. 20 lb. in E flat.	
Nigel P. A. Goulding .. Treble	Thomas W. Hesketh .. 4
James Hedgcock 2	Graham K. Austin .. 5
James Dunbavin 3	William R. Birchall .. Tenor

Conducted by Thomas W. Hesketh.

Rung as a farewell to the Rev J. R. Warman upon appointment as assistant chaplain at Liverpool University.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

MISTERTON, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Leonard.

On Fri., Sept. 8, 1967, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents of Kent T.B. and one each of Oxford T.B. and St. Clement's and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt. 13 lb.	
Brian L. Burrows Treble	Robin A. Gilliver 4
*Henry Dove 2	Stephen C. Wells 5
Christopher M. Sturgess .. 3	†K. Paul Gilliver Tenor

Conducted by Brian L. Burrows.

* First peal in more than one method. † 50th peal for the Guild.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

GAINSBOROUGH, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Sept. 16, 1967, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. in E.

Maurice Lings Treble	Melvyn A. Rose 5
Alison M. Mann 2	*John F. Underwood .. 6
Christopher F. Mew .. 3	George Leslie A. Lunn .. 7
Harold Judd 4	John Hall Tenor

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by Christopher F. Mew.
* First peal in the method.

Rung as a compliment to Brian Bull and Janet Hudson prior to their wedding at Stow, Lincs. this day; also as a welcome to David, a son for John and Mary Underwood.

HORNCastle, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Sept. 16, 1967, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In six methods, being one extent each of London, Bourne and Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and two extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 16 cwt 12 lb.	
Horace Bennett Treble	C. Aubrey Harrison .. 4
Ronald Chafer 2	Michael Whiting 5
Jack Bray 3	Michael W. Crowder .. Tenor

Conducted by Jack Bray.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(And the Llandaff Cathedral Guild)

LLANDAFF, Glam.—At the Cathedral Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Wed., Sept. 20, 1967, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5021 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr. in E.

*Felicity Cooke Treble	†Frank Corney 6
Susan Harber 2	David S. Bishop 7
*Judith Ashcroft 3	Christopher Aldridge .. 8
†Neil A. James 4	Nicholas W. H. Simon .. 9
Michael Pilgrim 5	W. James Goodfellow .. Tenor

Composed by Albert M. Tyler. Conducted by Nicholas W. H. Simon.
* First peal. † First on ten bells. First peal to be rung by the Cathedral Guild on ten bells. The composition is now rung for the first time

Rung as a thanksgiving for the work of the former head verger, Mr. R. T. White, who has recently retired after 32 years' service.

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THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

OUTWOOD, Surrey.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist.
On Fri., Sept. 1, 1967, in 1 Hour and 54 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINIMUS

210 plain courses.

Robin J. Collis Treble	*Kenneth J. Rider 3
Lawrence C. Way 2	Jeremy R. Pratt Tenor

Umpire: Mrs. H. J. Collis. Conducted by Robin J. Collis.
* 25th peal. First peal of Minimus for all the band and for the Association.

Rung as a compliment to Jennifer Harris and Drew Crawford, married at St. Mary's, Send, on August 26th, 1967.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

SOUTH LOPHAM, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Mon., Sept. 11, 1967, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in ten methods, viz.: (1) Single Oxford and Plain Bob, (2) Double Court, (3) Combined Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, (4) Plain Bob, (5) Double Oxford, Thelwall, St. Clement's and Childwall Bob, (6) Cambridge Surprise, (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 20 cwt. 98 lb. in E.

*Leslie F. Bailey Treble	Geoffrey H. Pullin 4
Henry Tooke 2	Robin R. Churchill 5
Andrew Salisbury 3	Martin Cubitt Tenor

Conducted by Leslie F. Bailey.

The conductor has now rung peals on 100 different bells in Norfolk towers.

CASTLE ACRE, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sun., Sept. 17, 1967, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

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

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb. in G sharp.

Walter J. Houghton .. Treble	Thomas E. Spight 4
Norman V. Harding 2	Shelagh R. Collins 5
Henry Tooke 3	Leslie F. Bailey Tenor

Conducted by Leslie F. Bailey.

Rung on Battle of Britain Sunday.

NORTON SUBCOURSE, Norfolk.—At the Church of SS. Mary and Margaret.

On Mon., Sept. 18, 1967, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In eight methods, being two extents of Stedman, four each of Grand-sire, Winchendon Place and St. Nicholas, six each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Simon and St. Martin and ten of Plain Bob.

Tenor 10 cwt. 43 lb. in G.

Thomas E. Spight Treble	Martin Cubitt 3
David Cubitt 2	*Leslie F. Bailey 4

*Frank C. J. Arnold .. Tenor

Conducted by Leslie F. Bailey.

* 50th peal together.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

SLOUGH, Buckinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Sept. 16, 1967, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 RUTLAND SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in E.

Alan R. Patterson Treble	Jack S. Dear 6
Joan Beresford 2	Alan J. Frost 7
Frederick R. Scott 3	David P. Hilling 8
John Hill 4	Philip Mehew 9
Andrew N. Stubbs 5	Dennis Beresford Tenor

Composed by C. Kenneth Lewis. Conducted by David P. Hilling.

First peal of Rutland Surprise Royal for the Guild.

HIGH WYCOMBE, Buckinghamshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Sept. 16, 1967, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lb.

S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. Treble	Christopher C. Clarke .. 5
Frank Reed 2	Brian W. Hall 6
D. Kay Adkins 3	Roger Baldwin 7
Peter J. Heritage 4	Kenneth R. Dunstan .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Roger Baldwin.

BURFORD, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist.

On Thurs., Sept. 21, 1967, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5024 JOHANNESBURG SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr.

G. John Collett Treble	Peter Pearce 5
Frederick W. Soden 2	Brian W. Hall 6
Terence J. Hester 3	D. Kay Adkins 7
Frank Reed 4	Bertram J. Coggins .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivin. Conducted by D. Kay Adkins.

First peal in the method by all the band.

BRAY-ON-THAMES, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sat., Sept. 23, 1967, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Pritchard's four-part.	Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in D.
Jeffrey M. Britchford .. Treble	William S. Deason 5
William Birmingham, sen. 2	Giles R. Shedden 6
Geoffrey R. Marchant .. 3	Frank T. Blagrove 7
Richard E. Dean 4	Frank C. Price Tenor

Conducted by Frank C. Price.

Rung by four members of the Middlesex Association and four members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild to celebrate the marriage this day at Bray between Wenda Harris (Bray, Berks) and Derek Fowles (Cranford, Middlesex).

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

DAVENTRY, Northants.—At the Church of the Holy Cross.

On Fri., Sept. 15, 1967, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

A PEAL OF 5002 KEGWORTH SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb.

Richard F. B. Speed .. Treble	Graham C. Paul 6
Patrick I. Chapman 2	David J. Marshall 7
Richard J. Danby 3	Alan A. Paul 8
Robert C. Kippin 4	Barrie Hendry 9
Barry E. Saunders 5	Peter Border Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Richard F. B. Speed.

First peal in the method.

Rung for the feast of title.

KEGWORTH SURPRISE ROYAL.

—50—14—56—36, 14—14, 50, 14—14, 50, 14—14, 50.

RAUNDS, Northants.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat. Sept. 9, 1967, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In eight methods, being 960 Rutland, 896 Yorkshire, 704 each of Bristol and Lincolnshire, 672 Cambridge, 448 each of Pudsey and Superlative and 224 London, with 111 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell. Tenor 22 cwt. 8 lb. in E flat.

Christopher C. Stokes .. Treble	Barrie Hendry 5
Barry E. Saunders 2	Graham C. Paul 6
Roger W. Smith 3	Alan A. Paul 7
David J. Marshall 4	Patrick I. Chapman .. Tenor

Composed by Richard J. Parker.

Rung to welcome the Rev. J. R. B. Canham to the living.

MARKET HARBOROUGH, Leics.—At the Church of St. Dionysius.

On Sat., Sept. 16, 1967, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 DORCHESTER SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 5 lb. in F.

Roger W. Smith Treble	Barry E. Saunders 5
Patrick I. Chapman 2	Alan A. Paul 6
Raymond A. Vickers 3	George W. Holland 7
Graham C. Paul 4	Barrie Hendry Tenor

Composed by Roger Baldwin.

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

NORTON DISNEY, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Sept. 9, 1967, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

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

Tenor 8 cwt. 27 lb.

Stephen B. Bell Treble	Frederick Derry 4
Ronald S. Russell 2	Edward J. Brown 5
Michael J. Hawkins 3	James H. Musson Tenor

Conducted by James H. Musson.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

SWYNNERTON, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Thurs., Sept. 14, 1967, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being three 240's and 36 120's.	Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb. in A.
*Angela M. Key (16) .. Treble	Pamela E. Key (20) .. 4
Lucy A. Key (18) 2	Barnabas G. Key 5
E. Marion Key 3	*Peter J. Key (19) Tenor

Conducted by Barnabas G. Key.

* First peal. Rung by husband, wife and their son and three daughters.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

STOCKTON, Salop.—At the Church of St. Chad.

On Sat., Sept. 23, 1967, in 2 Hours and 4 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 21 extents Plain Bob, 21 extents Grandsire.

Tenor 13 cwt. 20 lb. in E.

*Anthony E. Giblett .. Treble	Roger A. Brewin 4
†Freda Cleaver 2	Ernest F. Wilcox 5
Anthony Molinoli 3	Antony Bennett Tenor

Conducted by Roger A. Brewin.

* First peal. † First of Doubles.

Rung as a compliment to Miss Elizabeth Wood and Mr. R. Smallman, who were married at St. Chad's, Stockton, this day.

THE SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.
NOTTINGHAM.—At the Church of St. Peter.
On Sun., Sept. 24, 1967, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5021 STEDMAN CINQUES
Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qr. 27 lb. in E flat.

*Vanessa C. A. Rodrigues .. Treble	*†Simon Humphrey 7
Patricia Rogers 2	David W. Friend 8
†Martin Green 3	Richard Inglis 9
Christopher W. Daws .. 4	Roland H. Cook 10
Jack L. Millhouse 5	R. Kingsley Mason 11
*Richard H. Youdale .. 6	Alan F. Schofield .. Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

* First peal on 12 bells. † First of Stedman.

Rung to mark the 21st anniversary of the founding of the Southwell Diocesan Guild of Church Bell Ringers.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

IPSWICH, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Clement.
On Sat., Sept. 16, 1967, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being extents of Double Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., Plain Bob.
Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb. in F.

Jennifer M. Andrews .. Treble	Edward E. Davey 4
Keith W. Whittell 2	Robert J. Southgate 5
Alan R. Andrews 3	Neville F. Whittell Tenor

Conducted by Alan R. Andrews.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

PUTNEY, London.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.
On Sat., Sept. 23, 1967, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5152 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in F.

Christopher F. Mew .. Treble	Stanley G. Ponting 5
*Raymond J. Talbot 2	*G. William Shanks 6
*Rev. Michael Hart 3	Alan E. Bagworth 7
†Peter J. Munday 4	John R. Pratchett .. Tenor

Composed by Simon Humphrey. Conducted by Christopher F. Mew.

* First peal of Lincolnshire. † First of Surprise.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Brian Bull and Janet Hudson, who were married at Stow, Lincs, on September 16th.

THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

SWANSEA, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Sept. 23, 1967, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being two 240's and 38 six-scores.	Tenor 20 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb. in E.
*Marlyn E. Evans Treble	Rev. David P. Davies 4
*Gillian B. Armstrong .. 2	John T. Williams 5
Elizabeth J. Watkins .. 3	*J. Peter Thomas Tenor

Conducted by John T. Williams.

* First peal. First peal on the bells by the Sunday service ringers of St. Mary's.

THE UNIVERSITIES ASSOCIATION.

HEYDOUR, Lincs.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Fri., Sept. 22, 1967, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 or 2 lb. in F sharp.

Vanessa C. Rodrigues .. Treble	Richard H. Youdale 5
Patricia Rogers 2	Simon Humphrey 6
Christopher W. Daws .. 3	George A. Dawson 7
Christopher P. Starbuck .. 4	Richard Inglis Tenor

Composed by Simon Humphrey. Conducted by Richard Inglis.

CHURCH LAWFORD, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Tues., Sept. 5, 1967, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in nine methods, viz.: (1) College Exercise, Treble Bob, (2) Oxford Treble Bob, (3) Cambridge Surprise, (4) Kent Treble Bob, (5) Double Oxford, Pinehurst, St. Clement's and Buxton Bob, (6) and 7) Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 5 lb. in B flat.

*Dianne M. Hatfield (W'les) Treble

Geoffrey W. Randall (Hull) 2

Peter F. T. Smith (Wales) 3

Paul S. Readings (Wales) 4

Anthony J. Cox (Bristol) 5

†H. Lyndon Hatfield (W'les) Tenor

Conducted by Anthony J. Cox.

* First peal. † Most Minor methods to a peal. Most Minor methods as conductor.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
ALDERMASTON, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Tues., Sept. 12, 1967, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt.

*Ann Newman Treble	Roy Jones 5
Anthony D. Smith 2	David L. Wilcox 6
Robert Crocker 3	Geoffrey K. Dodd 7
Mrs. A. D. Smith 4	Reginald F. Crook Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

* First peal of Major.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the treble ringer, the peal being rung on her birthday.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
EARDISLAND, Herefordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Tues., Aug. 22, 1967, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

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

Gillian A. Richards .. Treble	†Rosemary Tailby 5
*Maureen J. Carruthers .. 2	David Franklin 6
*Peter Robertson 3	David Beacham 7
Audrey R. Alexander .. 4	Timothy G. Pett Tenor

Composed by Richard J. Parker. Conducted by Timothy G. Pett.

* First peal in the method. † First of Major.

MALVERN LINK, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Matthias.
On Sat., Sept. 19, 1967, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 3 lbs. in F sharp.

R. George Morris Treble	†John Clements 5
*Martin Smith 2	David G. Franklin 6
Michael V. White 3	David Beacham 7
Peter L. Wood 4	Thomas W. Lewis Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pitstow. Conducted by R. George Morris.

* First peal. † First of Yorkshire.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Penny Morris, Josephine Wood and Elizabeth Clements, daughters of the ringers of 1, 4 and 5, and for Battle of Britain Day.

HANDBELL PEALS

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

WATFORD, Hertfordshire.—At 15, Harford Drive.

On Mon., Sept. 11, 1967, in 2 Hours and 13 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. 1-2	Roger Baldwin 5-6
Christopher W. Woolley .. 3-4	Gerald Penney 7-8

Composed and Conducted by Roger Baldwin.

Rung as a compliment to Marguerite and John Mayne on the birth of a son, Andrew John, on September 8th. 1967.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

NETTLEHAM, Lincolnshire.—At Iona, Sudbrooke Lane.

On Tues., Sept. 19, 1967, in 2 Hours and 17 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5120 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

Jack L. Millhouse 1-2	Geoffrey R. Parker 5-6
Margaret A. Parker 3-4	Bernard G. North 7-8

Composed by F. Nolan Golden. Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

WARFIELD, Berkshire.—At The Willows.

On Wed., Aug. 23, 1967, in 1 Hour and 49 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Comprising one extent each of Childwall Bob, St. Clement's College Bob and five different extents of Plain Bob. Tenor size 28 in A sharp.

*Susanne Sargeant 1-2 | Frank C. Price (cond.) .. 3-4

*Kenneth R. Davenport .. 5-6

* Most methods rung to a handbell peal.

POINTS FROM 1966 PEALS (continued from page 710).

before the last war (commencing in 1893) were of Triples—35 Grandsire and four Stedman. Since 1945, there have been seven peals of Major and four of Triples. Exactly half of Heywood's peals were rung before the first war—19 of them in the 1880's. Until recently, there were long periods without peals, but now we have another burst of activity with 19 peals in the '60's. Nearly all of St. Margaret's, King's Lynn, peals have come in the last 15 years.

WRONG CLAIMS

Finally, we come to "odds and ends". The peal at Llantrisant was not the first of Surprise on the bells—Cambridge was rung in 1932 and Bristol in 1955. The peal of Maximus at St. Paul's Cathedral was only the third this century—there was Kent Treble Bob in 1904 and Cambridge in 1925. The peal at Netheravon claimed as probably the first on the bells was not so—there was Bob Minor in 1947 and Northumberland Minor in 1950. Other wrong claims were of the first of Spliced at Eardisland (one was rung there in 1963) and first of London Royal at Retford (a previous peal of this was rung in 1950). It was not the first peal at Ripe since 1961—one was rung in 1963. (N.B.—Is it worth claiming a first on the bells for five years?) At Bath Abbey, the claim was for the seventh peal on the bells. I seem to have recorded eight now. Perhaps the conductor would care to compare notes. Lastly, I noticed the usual peal at Long Stratton on Christmas Eve. This has taken place without fail since 1955. Usually it is the only peal in the year, only 1960, 1961, 1962 and 1965 having one more each during the rest of the year. It is a pretty good effort not to have lost any of these attempts. But beware this year—it will be the 13th Christmas Eve since 1955!

NOTICES

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BIRTHS

TREBLE.—To Paul and Wendy (née Bird), of 45, Longway Avenue, Whitchurch, Bristol 4, a daughter, Elizabeth, born on Saturday, September 23rd, 1967. 2418

TREBILCOCK.—To Robin and Pam, of 1, Crofton Rise, Dronfield, Sheffield, on September 25th, 1967, a daughter, Anna Louise, a sister for Duncan. 2449

MARRIAGE

ASHFORD-WEBBER.—On Saturday, September 16th, 1967, at St. Laurence's Church, Chapel Chorlton, Michael Ashford to Trimmel Felicity Webber. Present address: Springfield Lodge, Stableford, Newcastle, Staffs. 2445

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

BARTON.—From October 1st the address of Marcus, Marilyn and Matthew Barton will be: Farlea, Holcombe, Bath, Somerset. 2422

DENNIS.—From October 2nd the address of Robert E. J. Dennis will be: 67, The Downs, Harlow, Essex. 2430

HAYNS.—The address of John and Diana Hayns is now: 68, Newton Wood Road, Ashstead, Surrey. Tel. Ashstead 3165. This is a temporary address. 2425

NOTTINGHAM DISTRICT.—The address of the Nottingham District secretary (Mr. S. Adams) is now: 43, Dunblane Road, Ruddington, Nottingham. 2416

PERSONAL

TELEPHONE NUMBER.—Mr. and Mrs. D. John Hunt (8, Glenarm Road, Brislington, Bristol 4). Telephone number is Bristol 70245. 2420

LONG SERVICE.—As a tribute to Mr. E. A. Groves, retiring after 33 years as organist and choirmaster of All Saints', Edmonton, a quarter peal (1,264) of Plain Bob Major was rung prior to Evensong on September 23rd, 1967:—Helen Langdon 1, Pamela Mills 2, Beryl Platt 3, Teresa Langdon 4, Jacqui Hedges 5, Trudy Newcombe 6, D. Langdon 7, T. G. Hawkins (cond.) 8.

ADDRESSES WANTED.—“Ringing World” copies have been returned from the following: Mr. E. M. Jones, 75, Sydney Street, Flint; Sgt. M. E. Stracey, 24, Cambridge Crescent, R.A.F., Basingbourne, Royston; Mr. H. Tranter, Russell Road, Madeley, Wellington, Salop.

“If I justify myself, mine own mouth shall condemn me; if I say I am perfect, it shall also prove me perverse.”—Job ix, 20.

UNIVERSITY ANNOUNCEMENT

KEELE UNIVERSITY.—Will freshers coming to Keele in October please contact the secretary, Miss J. Quickfall, 21, Saxby Avenue, Skegness, Lincs, for information about the Keele Association. 2258

LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.—All freshers welcome to the first meeting of term on October 13th at St. Francis Xavier's at 6 p.m. For further details see Society notice board opposite downstairs “caf.” 2124

OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY. welcomes all freshers. Ringing: Sunday, October 15th, St. Mary Magdalene's 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Meeting, Tuesday, October 17th, Stapleton Room, Exeter College, 8.15 p.m. Further inquiries please contact Vanessa Rodrigues, Somerville College. 2390

RINGERS coming up to Cardiff University this term are invited to join in the ringing at Llandaff Cathedral. If details are required, write to Nicholas W. H. Simon, Llys Esgob, The Green, Llandaff, Cardiff. 2305

EARLIER PRESS

TIMES

“The Ringing World” now goes to press at 10.30 a.m. on Mondays. Only Notices received by the first post on Mondays can be inserted in the same issue.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Half-day Ringing School, Royal Oak Inn, Barrington, near Ilminster, on Saturday, October 14th, at 2.30 p.m. Subjects: Bellhandling tuition, belfry organisation, and maintenance, elementary conducting. Tower session 7.15–9 p.m. Tea provided. Course fee 4s. inclusive. Applications, please, to J. H. Gilbert, 13, Fenshurst Gardens, Long Ashton, Bristol, before October 7th. 2386

DORCHESTER, DORSET

ST. PETER'S SOCIETY OF CHANGE RINGERS

Ringers' Festival, Sunday, October 15th
Visiting ringers will be welcome at all times. Ringing: 7.30–8 a.m., Holy Communion; 10.15–11 a.m., Morning Prayer. Preacher, the Rev. C. E. C. Brinkworth, Rector of Cattistock and chairman of the Dorchester Branch, Salisbury Diocesan Guild. 2.30 p.m.–5 p.m., tower open to visiting ringers and general public. 2440

ESSEX ASSOCIATION

The Annual Dinner will be held in the Shire Hall, Chelmsford, on Saturday, October 28th, 6.15 for 6.45 p.m. Tickets (23s. 6d.) from P. J. Eves, 8, Lordship Road, Writtle, by Wednesday, October 25th. S.A.E., please. 2200

KINGSTON UPON THAMES.—Will all ringing visitors please note that entry can only be made from choir vestry (north side). Please press door bell (when fitted) and wait.—Bryony Mooby. 2417

WAREHAM, DORSET.—Practice night now on Wednesdays. Please amend your copy of “Dove.” 2434

MEETINGS

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Social, Saturday, October 7th, at Fordham. Ringing 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Social 7 to 10 p.m. Washington Film and entertainment. Tickets 5s. including refreshments. Bar, etc. Ringers and non-ringers all welcome.—Roger J. Palmer. 2400

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Quarterly meeting at Frensham (6) on Saturday, October 7th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. C. Beadle, Longlands, Frensham, Farnham, Surrey (Frensham 2411). —Mrs. B. R. Simpson, Dis. Sec. 2392

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Evening quarterly meeting at Ashwell (6), Saturday, October 7th, 6 p.m. Will all members attend? New District secretary and “Ringing World” rep. to be elected. Please note change of venue.—C. M. Orme, Dis. Sec. 2320

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Watford District.—Meeting, Aldenham, October 7th, 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m. Names to J. Southey, Ashmere, Harper Lane, Radlett. Phone Radlett 6188.—G. W. Scaman, Dis. Sec. 2369

NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.—Meeting at Gnosall on Saturday, October 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. B. G. Key, Sunnyside, Gnosall, Staffs, by the previous Wednesday.—D. J. Midgley, Hon. Sec. 2412

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Autumn general meeting, Reading, Saturday, October 7th, 2.30 p.m. Meeting in St. Lawrence's Hall. Tea 4.30 p.m. Service in St. Lawrence's Church 5.45 p.m. Tea tickets 3/3 each. Applications for tickets accompanied by remittance and s.a.e. to Miss D. J. Pollard, 49, Foxborough Road, Radley, Abingdon Berks. List of towers will be issued with tickets or on receipt of s.a.e.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Monthly meeting, Wath-on-Dearne, Saturday, October 7th, 4 p.m.–5 p.m. Tea at Rawmarsh at 5.15 p.m. and bells available afterwards. Names for tea, please, to Mr. G. W. Pilkington, 5, Arthur Place, Rawmarsh. All welcome. 2374

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Nottingham District.—Goose Fair meeting, All Saints', (8) Saturday, October 7th, 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. St. Peter's (12) 6 p.m. Own tea arrangements.—S. Adams. 2413

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Meeting at Middleham (8), Saturday, October 7th. Bells from 2.30. All welcome. Names for tea to Edward Hudson, Hon Sec., Singleton Cottage, Sharow, Ripon. 2410

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Practice meeting at Ilkley (8) on Saturday, October 7th, at 6 p.m. Methods: Stedman, Kent and Plain Bob. All welcome.—Maurice Thurmott, Ringing Master. 2411

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Business meeting (including nomination of officers, etc.) at the Rising Sun, Carter Lane, E.C.4, on October 10th at 8.15 p.m. Practices: October 10th, St. Paul's Cathedral; October 17th, St. Mary-le-Bow; October 24th, St. Andrew's, Holborn; October 31st, Southwark Cathedral; all at 6.30 p.m.—J. G. A. Prior. 2441

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—N. and E. District.—Surprise Major practice, St. Mary's, Hendon, Wednesday, October 11th, 7.30–9 p.m.—E. H. Kilby, Dis. Sec.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bath and Frome Branches.—Joint meeting at Beckington on Saturday, October 14th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. L. A. Fear, 2, Sandy Lane, Beckington.—A. Lee and E. Chivers, Branch Secs. 2443

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Monthly meeting, Pocklington (8), Saturday, October 14th. Bells 2 p.m.–8 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Special methods: St. Clement's and Yorkshire. Names for tea to Mr. C. Bairstow, 9, Victoria Road, Pocklington, Yorks, by previous Thursday. 2427

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Quarterly meeting at Stratford-on-Avon, Saturday, October 14th (please note date). Bells from 2.15. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting in the Church Hall. Names for tea to J. L. Garner-Hayward, Lowfold, Ashorne, Warwick, by October 11th, please. 2330

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Meeting at Fyfield, October 14th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Ringing at High Ongar (6) after meeting. Names for tea to J. Godfrey, 1, Hall Cottages, Canons Lane, Fyfield. 2394

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.W. District.—A meeting will be held at Stansted (8) on Saturday, October 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m., followed by business meeting. All welcome.—G. Blake, Hamlet House, Roydon Hamlet, Harlow. 2397

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—Annual District meeting at Maidstone on Saturday, October 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. T. Cullingworth, 45, Holtye Crescent, Maidstone.—M. L. H. 2398

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Furness and Lake District Branch.—Half-yearly meeting at Ambleside on Saturday, October 14th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Meeting after tea. Names for tea to Mr. A. Capstick, Kirkwood, Millans Park, Ambleside, Westmorland.—T. F. Metcalfe. 2424

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—Meeting at Christ Church, Todmorden, on Saturday, October 14th. Bells (8) at 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Business 6 p.m. Names for tea to me by Thursday, 12th, please. —G. Cheetham, 12, Garden Street, Todmorden.

LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.—Monmouth Branch.—Meeting, October 14th at Caldicot. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service + p.m. Tea and business. Names for tea, please, by October 9th to the Rev. R. Hallett, Caldicot Vicarage, Caldicot, Mon.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, E.C.2, Saturday, October 14th, 2.30-4.15 p.m. Tea, Fan Makers Hall, 4.30 p.m. St. Giles', Cripplegate, E.C.2, 6.30-7.30 p.m. Names for tea, please. Please note: October practice, St. Mary Magdalene's, Holloway Road, N.7, 6.45-8.30 p.m. not Kensington.—Miss V. E. Dupré, Hon. Sec., 63, Woodlawn Road, London, S.W.6 2355

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Newbury Branch.—Annual general meeting, Newbury, Saturday, October 14th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to W. Hunt 5. Cheriton Close, Newbury, by Tuesday, October 10th. 2406

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Witney and Woodstock Branch. —Autumn meeting, Bampton, Saturday, October 14th, 3 p.m. 2436

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Hinckley District) and **LADIES' GUILD.**—Joint meeting, Broughton Astley, October 14th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. W. Drury, Willow Brook, Broughton Astley, by Wednesday previous. Long Ailey skitting at the Royal 8 p.m.—V. Watts, Dis. Sec. 2431

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Rutland Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Preston (6), Saturday, October 14th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. C. Hudson, 10, Cross Lane, Preston, Uppingham, by Tuesday, October 10th. 2423

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Davenport Branch.—Meeting, Byfield, Saturday, October 14th. Names for tea to Mr. F. W. Hutt, Fairway, Byfield, Rugby, by Monday previous.—F. W. Hancock. 2437

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.—Quarterly meeting and striking competition at Yardley on October 14th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Entries for competition and reservations for tea to be made by October 10th.—G. E. Fearn, 92, Etwal Road, Birmingham 28. Tel. SPR 1025.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Meeting at Malins Lee, Saturday, October 14th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea, business meeting and further ringing until 9 p.m. Names for tea to Miss D. M. Cooper, 39, Eyton Road, Dawley, Shropshire, by Wednesday, October 11th. 2387

SUFFOLK GUILD.—North West District.—A.G.M. at Ixworth (6) on Saturday, October 14th. Bells from 2.30 to 9 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m. Meeting follows. Names for tea, please, to Mr. K. G. Brown, 21, Peasecroft Road, Ixworth, Bury St. Edmunds, by Wednesday, October 11th. 2370

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Basingstoke District.—Meeting at Odiham, Saturday, October 14th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Names for tea to J. J. Hill, 67, Oakridge Road, Basingstoke, by Tuesday, October 10th, please. 2432

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southampton District.—Quarterly meeting at St. Peter's, East Tytherley, October 14th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea at 5 in Village Hall, followed by business meeting. Evening ringing till 9. Sheffield English bells (8) available 2.30-4. Names for tea to Mrs. M. Thomas, Gandria Hill Lane, Colden Common, Winchester. (Tel. Twyford 3003.) 2442

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—S. and W. District.—Evening practice meeting, St. Peter's, Staines, Tuesday, October 17th, 7.45-9.15 p.m. All welcome.—C. H. Rogers.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Meeting at Witham (8), October 21st. Service 4 p.m. All teas must be booked; otherwise, bring your own, please. Names for tea to E. W. Bright, 42, Cressing Road, Witham.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North Eastern District.—Meeting at Wormingford, Saturday, October 21st. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting. Names to the Rev. T. F. L. Strong, Wormingford Vicarage, Colchester. 2428

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Stow-on-the-Wold Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Bourton-on-the-Water, Saturday, October 21st. Bells (8) available 3 p.m.-4.30 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Meeting 5.30. Names for tea to Mr. L. C. Dowdeswell, 5, Park Street, Stow-on-the-Wold (Tel. Stow 350), by October 19th. 2458

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Annual general meeting, Ashford, Saturday, October 21st. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea for those who notify Miss M. Jones, 30, Park Road, Ashford, by Thursday, October 19th.—A. P. S. B. 2421

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—Annual District meeting at Rochester Cathedral on Saturday, October 21st. Bells available 2.30 to 3.15, 4 to 5 and 7.45 to 9.30 p.m. Service at 3.15 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Frindsbury bells after meeting until 8 p.m. Names for tea to C. S. Jarrett, 9, Frindsbury Road, Strood.—T. Barton. 2419

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chipping Norton Branch.—Autumn meeting at Hook Norton on Saturday, October 21st. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business meeting 5 p.m.—P. R. Coveney, Branch Sec.

STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.—Evening practice meeting at St. Modwen's, Burton-upon-Trent, Saturday, October 21st. Bells (8) available 6.30 to 8.30 p.m. Everyone welcome.—C. M. S., Hon. Sec. 2429

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.—Special "learners" practice meeting at Barcombe (6), Saturday, October 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Ringing restricted to rounds, plain hunting, Bob Doubles, Bob Minor. Experienced ringers to give instruction welcomed. Names for tea to D. L. Hall, Studley, Folders Lane, Burgess Hill (Tel. 3442), by October 7th.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Kettering Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Warkton (5) on October 28th. Please note change of date. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. Mutton, No. 1, Warkton. Weekly 6 in evening. 2415

LATE NOTICES

DEATH

TOWNSEND.—John Alfred, aged 71, formerly captain at Milton Malor, Northants, later years ringer at Rugeley, Staffs, passed peacefully away after a short illness at his home, 17, Hanham Crescent, Hanham, on Monday, September 25th, 1967. R.I.P. 2459

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

ZOBEL.—The Bristol address of Mike Zobel is now: 54, St. Albans Road, Westbury Park, Bristol 6, to where all ringing correspondence should be sent. 2462

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MISCELLANEOUS

LODSWORTH, Sussex.—The practice night has been changed to Friday at 7.45. Visitors welcome. 2461

MINSTER-IN-SHEPPEY, KENT (6). —Practice night is now Thursday, 7-9 p.m. Sunday ringing 10-11 a.m. and 5.30-6.30 p.m. Visitors always welcome.—D. P. Leworthy.

SUFFOLK GUILD.—South East District.—A practice meeting will be held at St. Mary's (8), Ufford, on Saturday, October 7th, 7-9 p.m. All welcome. Make this a good night.—W. L., Dis. Sec. 2463

WANTED.—"All Saints' Doubles" Peel Cards. —Peal cards which include above method required from 1952 to present date; will pay, plus postage.—W. H. Cavill, 19, High Street, Ashcott, Bridgwater, Som. 2453

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GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Gloucester Branch.—Meeting to be held at Longney on Saturday, October 7th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. —P. Clarkson, Branch Sec. 2468

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Dunster Branch.—Ten-bell practice at Minehead on Saturday, October 14th, at 7 p.m.—G. R. Tyndale-Biscoe. 2469

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade District.—Meeting at Stotfold (6) on Saturday, October 14th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Usual arrangements. Don't forget the striking competition on the 21st. 2452

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD OF CHANGE RINGERS.—Annual general meeting will be held on Saturday, October 14th, at the Church of St. Thomas, Dudley, Staffs. Bells available 2.30 to 3.30 p.m. and 4 to 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Bells available after the meeting and also at St. Andrew's Church, Netherton, Dudley, if required. Names for tea to Mr. R. Edwards, 4, Silva Avenue, High Acres Estate, Kingswinford, Staffs, not later than Wednesday, October 11th. No names, no tea! 2456

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—Evening meeting, Berkeley, Saturday, October 14th. Bells (10) available 5.30. Meeting 7 p.m.—C. M. Snow, Hon. Sec. 2450

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—Annual District meeting, St. Dunstan's, Saturday, October 14th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Cathedral bells available after business meeting. Names, together with money for tea (2s. 6d.), to K. I. Davis, Apple Acre, Union Road, Bridge, near Canterbury, not later than October 12th. 2453

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—South Oxon Branch.—Quarterly meeting, St. Leonard's, Drayton, Saturday, October 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to J. Godman, 22, Sunnyside, Benson, by Wednesday, 11th. 2460

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Vale-of-White Horse Branch.—Autumn meeting, Hinton Waldrist, Saturday, October 14th. Bells (6) 2.15 p.m. Service 3.45 p.m. Tea and meeting Village Hall. Names for tea to C. R. Miles, 24, Goodlake Avenue, Faringdon, by October 12th. 2471

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Culworth Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Boddington, Saturday, October 14th. Service 4.15. Names for tea to Mr. Baughen, Poplars, Boddington, Rugby, by Wednesday.—A. E. R. Walker, Sec. 2466

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bingham District.—Meeting, Willoughby-on-the-Wolds (6), Saturday, October 14th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names for tea to W. L. Exton, St. Ouen's, Whatton, by Wednesday previous. 2451

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leatherhead District.—Surprise practice at Ashted on Tuesday, October 17th, 7.30 p.m. Methods: Cambridge, Yorkshire, Superlative. Lincolnshire.—M. M. 2465

GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Stroud Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Woodchester (6), October 21st. Please note change of tower. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Business meeting 5.30. Please bring own food; cups of tea provided. Bells available till 8 p.m.—V. M. D.

LADIES' GUILD.—Lincolnshire District.—Meeting at Winterton on October 21st. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Names for tea to Mrs. Chafer, 69, Earles Gate, Winterton, Lincs, not later than Wednesday, October 18th. —A. Richardson, Hon. Sec. 2467

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HALF PEAL

FRIEWELL, OXON.—On Sept. 6th, Plain Bob Minimus (being 105 extents): Margaret Ambler 1, Anne Bennet 2, Pamela Powell 3, Charlotte Bennett 4. Supervised jointly by 3 and 4.

FOUR QUARTERS OF MINIMUS IN A DAY WINTERBORNE KINGSTONE, DORSET.—On Sept. 16th, 1,272 Plain Bob Minimus: T. A. Hiller 1, R. Williamson 2, D. B. Ellery 3, M. J. Hiller (cond.) 4.

WINTERBORNE ZELSTONE.—1,272 Plain Bob Minimus: J. C. Sawtell 1, Janice Gudge (first of Minimus "inside") 2, D. B. Ellery 3, M. J. Hiller (cond.) 4.

SHAPWICK, DORSET.—1,272 Plain and Reverse Canterbury Minimus: J. C. Sawtell 1, D. B. Ellery 2, R. Williamson (cond.) 3, M. J. Hiller 4. First in two methods for all the band.

LONG BURTON, DORSET.—1,272 Plain Bob Minimus: J. C. Sawtell 1, D. B. Ellery 2, M. J. Hiller (cond.) 3, R. Williamson 4. For Harvest Festival. Believed to be the first quarter on the bells.

ADDINGTON, SURREY.—On Sept. 17th, 1,320 Durham Surprise Minor: E. G. H. Godfrey (cond.) 1, Carol Cousins 2, Amanda Powell 3, Wendy Wallace 4, I. Wiltshire 5, C. H. Macve 6. First in method by all the band. For Evensong.

ASHTED, SURREY.—On Sept. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Elizabeth Gibbs 1, Felicity Hamilton 2, Gillian Laver 3, G. Bromley 4, J. A. Laver 5, V. Stedman (first "inside") 6, T. Skilton (cond.) 7, D. Barnes 8. First of Triples in method 1, 3, 4. For Evensong.

BARTON SEAGRAVE, NORTHANTS.—On Sept. 16th, 1,440 Doubles (four methods): R. Russell 1, J. M. Thorley 2, R. N. Scholes 3, S. Bell 4, C. J. Groome (cond.) 5. For the wedding of Peter Griffiths and Carolyn Groome.

BENINGTON, HERTS.—On Sept. 16th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: K. J. Perrin (first Major) 1, R. Spicer 2, P. C. Worthington (first Major "inside") 3, B. J. Harris (first Major as cond.) 4, F. J. Robinson (first Major) 5, M. R. Worthington 6, C. A. Critchley 7, G. W. Critchley 8.

BLETCHINGLEY, SURREY.—On Sept. 9th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): F. W. Bird 1, Dianne M. Hatfield 2, T. H. Bird 3, V. Gregg 4, H. L. Hatfield (cond.) 5, J. Burgess 6. With best wishes to Christine Bird and Patrick Hoaford, married here earlier this day.

BOBBING, KENT.—On June 29th, 1,260 Doubles (seven methods): Brenda Davies 1, H. Deacon 2, N. J. Davies 3, D. Manger (cond.) 4, B. Johnson 5, Sylvia Knight 6.

BOURNEMOUTH, HANTS.—At St. Peter's Church, on Sept. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. R. Broadest 1, F. Price 2, R. W. Price 3, J. R. Price 4, R. G. Corby 5, C. Conway (cond.) 6. First of Minor 1 and 4. For Evensong.

BRAY-ON-THAMES, BERKS.—On Sept. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Russell 1, Juliet Hall 2, Janice M. Penning 3, Wenda R. Harris 4, R. A. Blewitt 5, Doreen Hague (cond.) 6, D. Fowles 7, J. E. Norworthy 8. For Evensong, and as a farewell to Rev. D. and Mrs. Strickland, going to Birmingham.

BROUGHTON-IN-FURNESS, LANCs.—On Sept. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Whalley 1, A. Capstick 2, N. M. Newby 3, J. E. Dickinson 4, T. F. Metcalfe 5, K. Price 6, J. E. Burtles (cond.) 7, R. Moore 8. Rung for the wedding this day at St. Mary's, Ambleside, of David Capstick and Christine Flitcroft.

BURTON, HANTS.—On Sept. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Pocock (first quarter) 1, D. Brown (first "inside") 2, K. Sansom (cond.) 3, R. Tipper 4, A. Reeves 5, H. deCombe 6. For Evensong.

BURSTWICK, YORKS.—On Sept. 17th, 1,260 Minor (Cambridge, Plain Bob and St. Clement's): J. R. Leary (cond.) 1, S. K. Thompson 2, Iris Piper 3, Maric C. Stephenson 4, D. Cook (first quarter) 5, C. L. D. Munday 6. A farewell compliment to Rev. Ernest E. C. Hollis, Vicar of this parish for seven years.

COMPTON BISHOP, SOMERSET.—On Sept. 10th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Susan Stott 1, Marjorie Legg (cond.) 2, June Legg 3, A. Peters 4, J. Coombes 5, H. Hooper 6. For Harvest Festival.

COVENTRY.—At St. Michael's, Stoke, on Sept. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Barbara K. Fyle 1, R. D. Hayne 2, M. Pickup 3, R. Hart 4, A. K. Putnam 5, A. R. Wright (cond.) 6. For Evensong, on the occasion of a visit by the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress.

QUARTER PEALS

DYMOCK, GLOS.—On Sept. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Geraldine Mitchell 1, L. Smith 2, M. Chandler 3, J. Arnall 4, K. Tyler (cond.) 5, A. V. Chandler (first quarter) 6. To welcome the Rev. Douglas Maurice Bell-Richards as Vicar of Dymock and Rector of Donnington.

EAST HAGBOURNE, BERKS.—On Sept. 2nd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. White 1, S. Wells 2, Miss M. Thomas 3, Mrs. P. Aplin 4, C. J. Garlick 5, M. Bishop 6, A. H. Webb (cond.) 7, L. F. Cox 8.

EAST SUTTON, KENT.—On July 20th, 1,320 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: P. Richardson 1, Sylvia Knight 2, Brenda Davies 3, H. Deacon 4, N. J. Davies 5, B. Johnson (cond.) 6. First in the method 2, 3 and 4.

ELFORD, STAFFS.—On Sept. 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: I. Sheffield 1, C. Bennett (first "inside") 2, Miss M. Ellwood 3, C. Collins 4, J. Wellings 5, P. Davies (cond.) 6.

EPSOM, SURREY.—On Sept. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: P. J. Munday (cond.) 1, T. Skilton 2, Jill Oakshott 3, R. D. Mills 4, C. W. Munday 5, Adrienne Gibson 6, M. Morris 7, R. Feniman 8, J. Munton 9, J. C. Davidge 10. A wedding compliment to Janet Crane and Roger Ashmore.

FOBBING, ESSEX.—On Sept. 16th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Jane Fransella 1, Christine Neville 2, D. Ellisdon 3, C. Otaway 4, D. Wright 5, C. G. Wright 6, D. Hewitt (cond.) 7, D. Knewstubb 8. First of Stedman 1, 2 and 4, Rung as a wedding compliment to R. Nash (Barkingside band) and Miss J. Underwood, married this day.

FORDINGBRIDGE, HANTS.—On Sept. 14th, 1,280 Kent T. B. Major: Jennifer Jones 1, H. Rumens 2, I. Ann Abrahams 3, L. A. Page 4, K. Jones 5, N. O. Skelton 6, W. T. Perrins 7, R. N. Marlow (cond.) 8. First in method 1, 5, 6 and 7. Rung as a compliment to Mr. H. Rumens, on his 80th birthday. Also on the 60th anniversary of his first peal, Kent T.B. Major.

GULVAL, CORNWALL.—On Sept. 16th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: H. Miles 1, W. R. Curtis 2, Marion L. Lidgley 3, G. Taysom 4, J. J. George 5, A. P. Smith 6, F. M. Bowers (first as Triples as cond.) 7, W. J. S. Troon 8.

HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.—On Sept. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Sheila A. Harfield 1, H. W. Brown 2, P. D. Hepburn 3, A. M. Humphrey 4, S. W. Brown 5, J. R. Norris (cond.) 6, B. J. Harfield 7, R. H. Tribe 8. For Evensong.

KEYNSHAM, SOMERSET.—On Sept. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Naomi Bissicks 1, Marion Hunt 2, T. W. Harris 3, F. C. Mogford 4, R. M. Virgin 5, R. Hillman 6, J. W. Owen (cond.) 7, D. J. Buckland 8. Rung for the induction of the Rev. J. E. Burgess as Vicar.

PAIGNTON, DEVON.—On Sept. 1st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. Simmonds 1, Pamela Powell 2, G. J. Roberts 3, K. Furdson 4, P. A. Lock 5, C. York 6, D. J. Roberts (cond.) 7, L. J. Burton 8. 25th quarter together 3 and 7. Rung on the eve of the wedding of John Kelly, captain of this tower.

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PLUCKLEY, KENT.—On July 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Susan Richards 1, D. Drury 2, A. Bourner 3, E. Clifton 4, B. Johnson (cond.) 5, A. Luckhurst (first quarter) 6.

REIGATE, SURREY.—On Sept. 17th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Carol Martin (first on ten) 1, C. Dalton 2, R. Jones 3, Angela Hughes (first in method) 4, K. G. Game (cond.) 5, A. T. Shelton 6, T. T. Jones 7, W. Inwood 8, C. W. Daws 9, Joan Hanning 10. For Evensong.

RYTON, SALOP.—On July 8th, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): S. T. Yates (first quarter) 1, R. B. Dorrington 2, P. R. Johnson (cond.) 3, J. D. Holden 4, P. G. K. Davies 5.

SAXILBY, Lincs.—On Sept. 17th, 1,260 Minor (Kent and Plain Bob): Mrs. J. B. Nicholson 1, Mrs. P. A. Crosby 2, D. Surman 3, H. A. Cox 4, R. I. Crosby 5, H. W. Cox (cond.) 6. For Evensong, and as a 21st birthday compliment to the ringer of the 4th.

SMARDEN, KENT.—On June 18th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Nicholson (first on a working bell) 1, Sylvia Knight 2, A. Bourner 3, H. Deacon 4, D. Manger 5, B. Johnson (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also on Sept. 7th, 1,260 Doubles (eight methods): R. Lebon 1, A. Leves (most methods) 2, H. Deacon 3, D. Manger 4, B. Johnson (cond.) 5, D. Dury 6.

STOURBRIDGE, WORCS.—On Sept. 17th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. Edwards 1, J. Durham 3, G. Westwood 4, J. Warr 5, R. Smith 6, M. D. Fellows (cond.) 7, A. D. Fellows 8. For Battle of Britain Sunday.

SWINDON, WILTS.—At Christ Church, on Sept. 17th, 1,287 Stedman Caters: W. W. T. Daniell 1, D. J. Carr 2, Mrs. E. Jacques 3, B. Bladen 4, R. Hulme 5, M. Penney 6, P. Spackman 7, M. J. Stanley 8, E. Sutton (cond.) 9, M. New 10. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

TOLLER PORCUM, DORSET.—On Sept. 15th, 1,272 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob Minimus: T. A. Hiller 1, Miss A. Quick 2, R. Williamson 3, M. J. Hiller (cond.) 4. First in the method for all the band.

TOLLESBURY, ESSEX.—On Sept. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: F. Garrod 1, H. Appleton 2, R. Leavett 3, A. Day 4, B. Mann (cond.) 5, A. Palmer 6. Rung half-muffled to the memory of Mrs. Jane Garrod, wife of the treble ringer. Also on Sept. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. Wright 1, D. Hewitt 2, Miss B. Shaw 3, Miss G. Wilkinson 4, Miss V. Jones 5, D. Wright 6, D. Ellisdon 7, T. Hollis 8.

WEST KIRBY, CHESHIRE.—On Aug. 22nd, 1,260 Kent and Plain Bob Minor: T. Howarth (first quarter) 1, Margaret Newton 2, Susan E. Wallace 3, C. J. Eden 4, R. Peers 5, D. J. Jukes (cond.) 6, E. Jones (first quarter) cover. Rung half-muffled in memory of Arthur Hughes, verger at this church.

WESTMINSTER, LONDON.—At St. Margaret's, on Sept. 10th, 1,263 Stedman Caters: B. Burrough 1, Freda Cannon 2, J. Euston (cond.) 3, W. Rawlings 4, B. Mathews 5, W. Prockson 6, T. Hawkins 7, D. Randall 8, R. Overington 9, E. Peet 10. An 84th birthday compliment to William Shepherd, one of the two remaining members of St. Margaret's Society of 1900. The other is George Symonds.

WEYBRIDGE, SURREY.—On Sept. 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Pearmain 1, Hilary Bailey (first of Minor) 2, J. Bailey 3, D. Boniface 4, B. Rodgers 5, A. Luxford (cond.) 6.

WILLESBOROUGH, KENT.—On Aug. 27th, 1,296 Beverley Surprise Minor: Rosemary Stanbridge 1, P. Staples 2, B. Johnson 3, P. Richardson 4, R. Carlton 5, M. Lancelfield (cond.) 6. First in the method for all except 6. For Evensong.

WILMSLOW, CHESHIRE.—On Sept. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Louise Harvey (first quarter) 1, J. D. Smith 2, S. Sage 3, D. F. Welch 4, P. J. Nelson 5, D. Mottershead (cond.) 6. Rung to mark the birth of a daughter to the Rev. and Mrs. C. J. Rees, of this parish.

WOODSTOCK, OXON.—On Sept. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. R. Venn 1, Charlotte A. Bennett 2, Pamela E. Powell 3, F. Marilyn Bird 4, M. Journeaux 5, D. Floyd 6, P. J. Heritage (first of Triples as cond.) 7, W. Franklin 8.

WORLE, SOMERSET.—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): H. Kennar (first quarter) 1, R. Jones 2, J. Coombs (cond.) 3, Miss J. Legg 4, S. Lewis 5, W. Kingsbury 6. Rung to celebrate the birth of a daughter (Helen) to the treble ringer.

YATTON, SOMERSET.—On Sept. 19th, 1,280 Bristol Surprise Major: G. Hebdon 1, E. T. Lee 2, Diana M. Chapman 3, R. W. Rice 4, W. S. Rice 5, P. J. England 6, P. Bridle 7, J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 8. First of Bristol 1, 4 and 5.

NOTICES—continued**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS****330TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER**

Saturday, November 4th, 1967

The 330th Anniversary Dinner will be held on Saturday, November 4th (6 p.m. for 6.30 p.m.) at the Walbrook Restaurant (Cottillion Room entrance), Bucklersbury House, Walbrook, City of London, E.C.4, the Master, Mr. A. J. Frost, in the chair. Reception room and bar open at 5.30 p.m.

Tickets (30/- each) now available from the secretary. Remittances with orders, please; cheques and postal orders to be made payable to the Society.

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Ringing arrangements for those attending the dinner will be announced later.

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WORCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION
Annual Dinner

Saturday, October 21st, 1967

at the Co-operative Hall, Worcester, at 6.15 p.m.

Guest of honour the Lord Bishop of Worcester. The Washington Film will be shown. Bells: Cathedral 3.30 until 5 p.m. All Saints' 4.30 until 6 p.m. Tickets (15s.) obtainable from Branch secretaries and general secretary until October 18th.—D. Beacham, The Lea, Hallow, Worcester. 2395

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL DINNER

Saturday, October 28th, 1967

at the County Hotel, Taunton

6.45 for 7.15 p.m.

Taunton St. Mary's bells (12) available 5-6.30 p.m.

The Rev. J. G. M. Scott will present a "Ceremony of Bells" after the dinner. Tickets 22s. 6d. (S.A.E., please) from Mr. J. Brain, Green Down, Lotts Avenue, Backwell, Bristol, before October 21st. 2395

SOCIETY of ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS

Quarterly Meeting, Sat., October 14th

Wimbledon (8) 2.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m., followed by business meeting. Fulham (10) 6.30 to 8 p.m. Names for tea to D. E. Sibson, 15, Garden Royal, Kersfield Road, London, S.W.15, by Thursday, October 12th. Notice of change of rules will be given at the meeting. 2396

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