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DEDICATED TO THE EXERCISE

SO much is taken for granted these days that few give credit to the dedicated lives of many District secretaries and Ringing Masters. This is well illustrated—in fact it could be repeated in almost every Guild's area—by what happened at Wellesbourne, Warwickshire, where the Southern District of the Coventry Diocesan Guild held a meeting on January 6th.

For three weeks the elements had done their damndest to wreck the plans. Almost three weeks of fog and cold, followed by a week of snow, ice and freeze-up, preceded January 6th. And who were the unsung heroes? First the clergy, in this case the Rev. R. G. Stanton, who two days before the meeting wondered if it would be possible to hold it, but said nothing. The day came; some snow had melted, and there he was with a ready welcome and smiling apologies for the weather.

Such was fate that almost minute-to-minute changes had to be made in the programme. Ringing had not been long in progress before the church began to fill with smoke as if some pagan offering was being made. It was the heating system feeling the strain of the severe weather; and alas, as the smoke cleared so did the heat in the church. Arrangements for the service to be transferred to the hall were made, and by service time the hall was warm and cosy. Mr. Stanton's apologies were unnecessary.

We men are apt to take the services of the ladies for granted. At Wellesbourne there were Miss Pitcher, Miss McDonagh, Mrs. Bamford and Mrs. Hitchman; they are just four of a thousand others up and down the country; they are the unsung heroes. The meeting and social had been arranged. Miss Pitcher's mother, the kingpin of all successful local events, fell sick. The snow fell, the pipes of the hall froze and burst, and the only things that did heat up were the telephone wires! Thank goodness, they held out, for by now the village was nearly cut off by snow and the author was in the helpless position of being entirely dependent upon the unsung heroes at the other end.

The day came; the snow began to melt; the pipes were repaired. But how many would be coming? Guesses ranged from one to 50; the gamble succeeded, and 50 hungry ringers sat down to a wonderful tea in a warm hall; instead of bursting pipes it was a case of bursting ringers! Two hours before it seemed impossible. God bless all ladies dedicated to feeding hungry ringers.

Can the young ones be included in those dedicated to the art? Fifty per cent. of those attending this Guild's

meetings could be classified as young, and at this meeting it was 90 per cent. The boys and girls came from miles around—cycling, walking, by bus and by car—through melting snow and a risk of fog.

They all had a good ring; they all attended the service. And didn't they make a go of that social evening! You should have seen them! Young John Penn, from Salford Priors, some 18 miles away, provided the music, and the youngsters certainly rewarded him by their sheer enthusiasm. Where did they come from? From towers where the captain is an organiser as well as a dedicated teacher.

All District secretaries and Ringing Masters are, unfortunately, forcibly brought in touch with silent belfries. The reason? 'Well, the young ones are just not interested,' is the reply. Fiddlesticks! It is nearer the truth to say: 'It's the old 'uns who have no interest in teaching.' A lack of patience and a reluctance to allow a younger member of the band to teach is often the reason.

I am resolved, if I reach the stage of finding teaching a nervous hardship, to hand over the job to a younger member of my band rather than let the team die off into silence. As captains we have a duty to do to our beginners. If we don't constantly bring new blood into the band we are failing in our job—we are deceiving our priest.

Listen to a recent pop tune by Cliff Richard, 'The Young Ones' (and for once the words on the recording are audible). We would do well to keep some of them in mind. Let me leave this thought with you—

'Let not your shadow fall for long periods upon the waiting beginners, but rather stand firmly behind them, and open up the mysteries of the Exercise to them.'

P. A. O.

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LEADING PEAL RINGERS OF 1961

MR. ROBERT B. SMITH, of Loughborough, heads the list of peal ringers for 1961 with the exceptional total of 137. Of these he conducted 43 and among them was the record length of 32,912 of Plain Bob Major. He has had excluded the peal of Maximus at Leicester, in which the composition was found to be false.

Two other ringers also passed the century mark in John M. Jelley, of Wigston, Leics, and Bernard F. L. Groves, the enthusiastic Kent ringer.

The leading conductors were John R. Mayne, of Harrow, and Brian G. Warwick, secretary of the Leicester Diocesan Guild. Each had called 61 peals, a very high number.

According to records submitted, Miss Carol Fernley, of Norbury, Hazel Grove, Cheshire, is the leading lady ringer with 54 peals. Prominent in the list is Miss B. Gillian Schofield, of Bradford Cathedral, with 34.

Among the young ringers is Master Keith Ward (15), of Slough. He rang 28 peals and conducted three (Yorkshire Surprise Major 2). It is unusual to have in the list a father and son. The Warrilows, of Stafford, appear, Robert, the son, with 45 and Richard, the father, 36.

Peals conducted are shown in parentheses.

	Tower	Hand	Total
Robert B. Smith ..	115 (35)	22 (8)	137
John M. Jelley ..	85 (26)	28 (13)	113
B. F. L. Groves ..	101 (23)	3 (1)	104
Ernest Morris ..	60 (2)	22	82
Basil Jones ..	76 (20)		76
John A. Acres ..	44 (3)	31 (2)	75
A. Peter Whitehead ..	74 (5)	1	75
Geoffrey Davies ..	68 (24)	3 (3)	71
John Robinson ..	67 (23)	2	69
John R. Mayne ..	66 (60)	1 (1)	67
Brian G. Warwick ..	57 (54)	8 (7)	65
F. Shalleross ..	64 (9)		64
J. W. Cotton ..	63		63
Charles A. S. Webb ..	58	3	61
Roderick W. Pipe ..	60 (38)		60
Frederick E. Wilshaw ..	60 (3)		60
D. John Hunt ..	56 (9)		56
Trevor A. Cross ..	53 (5)	1	54
Carol Fernley ..	54		54
Norman J. Goodman ..	53		53
Brian Harris ..	53 (5)		53
Ian H. Oram ..	53 (33)		53
B. S. Payne ..	25 (4)	28 (22)	53
A. P. Cannon ..	52 (28)		52
M. L. Howe ..	50 (4r)	1	51
J. Martin Thorley ..	48 (17)		48
Geoffrey R. Drew ..	46 (10)	1	47
John Worth ..	47 (19)		47
J. Alan Ainsworth ..	44 (36)	2	46
Richard J. Clifton ..	45		45
R. Kingsley Mason ..	45		45
Robert J. Warrilow ..	45 (1)		45
J. E. Anderson ..	39	5	44
Eric N. Harrison ..	39 (3)	5	44
Denis Mottershead ..	44 (11)		44
E. Shuttleworth ..	42 (1)	1	43
H. W. Egglestone ..	41 (13)	1 (1)	42
T. J. Lock ..	41 (2)	1	42
Derek P. Jones ..	40 (22)		40
T. Cullingworth ..	39 (2)		39
Geo. S. Deas ..	39 (1)		39
P. Mehew ..	39 (2)		39
D. A. S. Symonds ..	38	1	39
Shirley M. Parsons ..	37		37
A. R. Patterson ..	37		37
S. G. Ponting ..	37		37
F. Hector Bennett ..	36		36
K. R. Dunstan ..	36		36
M. W. Gilbert ..	36		36
B. A. Shackleton ..	36 (6)		36
Geo. E. Thoday ..	36 (4)		36
Richard J. Warrilow ..	36 (1)		36
Stanley E. Bennett ..	35		35
Tom Chapman ..	33 (16)	2 (2)	35
Ian M. Holland ..	34 (10)		34
Reginald G. Hooper ..	34 (4)		34
B. Gillian Schofield ..	34 (1)		34
Albert W. A. Leggett ..	33		33
Ronald C. Noon ..	33 (27)		33
Ronald J. Sharp ..	33		33
W. T. Beeson ..	32		32
B. J. Wyde ..	32 (2)		32
G. K. Dodd ..	31 (24)		31
Martin C. Faulkes ..	30 (1)	1	31
G. B. Thompson ..	31		31

Edwin T. Chapman ..	30	30
F. B. Lufkin ..	30 (25)	30
R. L. K. Whittell ..	30	30
P. A. Corby ..	29 (21)	29
Don C. Exell ..	29 (3)	29
K. Peter Jones ..	27	29
R. W. Rex ..	29	29
S. Barry Schofield ..	29 (2)	29
Patrick J. Bird ..	28 (2)	28
M. Elizabeth Chapman ..	26	28
H. W. Howard ..	28 (16)	28
Roy H. Jones ..	28 (12)	28
Alfred E. Rushton ..	28	28
J. K. Ward ..	28 (3)	28
Alan E. Bagworth ..	27	27
Christopher C. Clarke ..	27 (2)	27
Nicholas J. Davies ..	27 (1)	27
Bernard W. Fairhead ..	27 (1)	27
Cecil W. Pipe ..	27	27
P. W. Sallmarsh ..	27 (1)	27
C. A. Wratten ..	27 (12)	27
M. D. Barsby ..	4	22
Rita M. Jowett ..	26	26
Alan G. Kirk ..	26 (1)	26
Alan F. Lee ..	26 (19)	26
Alan R. Pink ..	26 (24)	26
James R. Taylor ..	26 (3)	26
W. Birmingham ..	25 (2)	25
W. Leslie Weller ..	25 (13)	1 (1)
Cyril R. Burrell ..	25	25
Michael D. Fishwick ..	25	25
Peter T. Hurcombe ..	25 (4)	25
Charles N. Lea ..	25 (1)	25
H. A. Mitson ..	25	25
R. George Morris ..	25 (1)	25
John P. Partington ..	25	25
D. K. Putnam ..	25	25

HOLY ROSARY CATHEDRAL

Dear Sir.—Will you please correct that the Holy Rosary Cathedral is in Vancouver, British Columbia, and not New Westminster.

For years this tower has lost visiting ringers due to the inaccuracies on the reported location of this church; the previous details in 'Dove' are quite inaccurate, but the undersigned conducted considerable correspondence with Mr. Dove last May, and the whole of the Canadian towers have been brought up to date for his third issue. Every tower has been visited, and every one with a band has been rung at by the undersigned. There remains one inaccuracy, and that is a recent change in the practice night at the Holy Rosary Cathedral in Vancouver from Tuesdays to alternate Mondays and Wednesdays—which, incidentally, is, together with a drastic curtailment of ringing practice recently imposed by the Church authorities, sounding the death knell of future ringing in Vancouver.—Yours sincerely,

A. J. M. COLLINS.

Vancouver, British Columbia.

THE MESSAGE OF THE BELLS

In connection with the dedication of the bells of Salisbury Cathedral, Rhodesia, the following was quoted by the Bishop of Mashonaland from a letter written to him by the anonymous donor of the bells in his address at the ceremony of dedication:

'I don't think some sections (of public opinion) here understand the patience and the time that is needed to bring about the lasting and happy solution of the problem with which your part of Africa is faced, which is being sought for so sincerely by so many. I am sure that such a solution will be found in the end, and I hope each bell will, for centuries, go on ringing out its own individual message—FAITH: TRUTH: UNDERSTANDING: GENTLENESS: HUMILITY: LOYALTY: GRATITUDE: COURAGE: WISDOM: and LOVE. The largest bell, LOVE, carries the most important message, and perhaps its voice may find an echo in the hearts of those who hear.'

The bells are stamped with the English Rose and the Rhodesian Flame Lily, and inscribed with their names in the order as above, from treble to tenor. C.C.C.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

Northern Branch Annual

An anonymous donor provided tea for the 31 present at the annual meeting of the Northern Branch, held at Hethersett on January 6th. Mr. A. G. Bason, Branch chairman, was absent through ill-health and the president (Mr. F. N. Golden) deputised for him in the chair.

Officers elected were: Chairman, Mr. A. G. Bason; secretary, Mr. C. Bird; Ringing Master, Mr. P. Adcock; Standing Committee, Messrs. W. Clover and G. Sayer; Branch Committee, Messrs. F. C. Goodman, D. W. Pardon, R. W. Wiles, B. W. Willgress and C. Sayer.

The Rector (the Rev. D. J. Turner), who conducted the service, was elected a ringing member, as was Mr. P. Salter, R. Alborough and D. Robinson, also of Hethersett, were elected probationary members.

Subject to permission, the following meetings were approved: March 3rd, St. Giles'. Norwich; June 9th, Wymondham Abbey Ringing Day; July 7th, Heydon; October 13th, Wroxham; annual Branch meeting, January 5th, Norwich.

Thanks were accorded the Rector, Mrs. Alborough (organist) and Mr. R. Lofty, his sister and others who helped with the tea.

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

Andover District

As is customary when the Andover District's annual meeting is held at Whitchurch, the bells of Hurstbourne Priors are available in the afternoon. This was so on January 13th. These bells are a real challenge and those who tried them found that plenty of effort was required to ring even rounds.

The service at All Hallows', Whitchurch, was conducted by the Rev. Hamilton Lloyd (Vicar), and was followed by tea and business meeting in the Parish Room. For the latter, Mr. A. W. Alliston presided, and among things discussed was the transfer of towers from one District to another. It was felt that this should solely depend on the views of the ringers in the towers in question and then referred to the annual meeting of the Guild.

A grant of five guineas was made towards the cost of rehanging Whitchurch bells. The job should be completed before the next District annual meeting there in 1963. The next quarterly meeting was fixed for Longparish on March 24th, with Hurstbourne Priors and St. Mary Bourne after tea. After the usual votes of thanks the ringers returned to the tower where the highlight was a course of Bristol. G.D.

BALDOCK RINGERS' DINNER

The Baldock Guild of Ringers enjoyed an informal dinner at The Star on January 20th. The Rector, Canon F. C. Brenchley, thanked the ringers for all the time and energy they spent during the year, and expressed his pleasure that no ringers had been lost during the three-month silence. The tower is now safe, though not finished. All the money raised has been spent, but work is to continue and a loan may be obtained.

Mr. E. G. Buck, the tower captain, emphasised that more teaching was necessary, and thanked the Vicar and ringers of Norton for their hospitality during the time when Baldock's bells were silent. Mr. H. Stuart Bonnett said that Ashwell was now 'bell conscious' and that much of the success was due to the loan of Baldock's handbells. He told also that the Rector of Ashwell was using the handbells as a dominant part of a special anthem for handbells, organ, drums and a horn which he had written and which would be performed at Easter.

Handbells ringing in various methods made a pleasant addition to the evening's entertainment. J.S.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

CHURCH ATTENDANCE IN VILLAGES

Dear Sir,—Many years ago we had a new Rector who put it quite plainly, 'Go to each service you ring for or leave the bells alone.' Well, some of our ringers were stockmen on farms and could sometimes just make it to ring in their mucky boots, and we were glad to have them, but I doubt if they would have been very welcome at the service. So we all but one tied our ropes and left. The one man out was the Rector's gardener, and he, in those days, had to stay on or perhaps leave his job, so for six months there were no service or wedding bells. He had to teach a new band, and it was not long before the Rector found out his mistake.

We had another Rector. When we were slipping a bit he would come into the belfry and say, 'Do try and come to the services a little more often.' That made a big difference; we used to go.

I never go in the mornings, and when I go down the path boldly and see the late-comers I feel like saying, 'Going to the second house?' In our band we have an organist, two in the choir and two sidesmen, and all the others help to keep our churchyard tidy. I remember reading in the 'R.W.' of a meeting in the North a few years ago, when the Archbishop of Canterbury, then Archbishop of York, said that service ringing was an act of worship in itself.

I quite agree we should attend one service, but it is not always possible.—Yours sincerely,

REG PELLETT.

Woodchurch, Kent.

THE SURREY MERGER

Dear Sir,—I write as a member of both the Surrey Association and Guildford Guild and have rung peals for both, but reside in Surrey, outside the Guildford Diocesan boundary.

I am an ordinary ringing member of the former, and non-resident life member of the Guildford Guild.

Unless my information is unreliable, this merger was first mooted by a few Guildford Guild members in one small area who objected to paying two ordinary member's subscriptions each year. So far so good, but I cannot help asking myself what would happen if those ringers who, too, are members of both, but reside in the actual area of the Diocese of Guildford, or are regular members of a band attached to a tower in the Diocese of Guildford, continued to pay ordinary member's subscriptions to their home Guild, and claimed to be non-resident members of the Surrey Association, after making sure that their subscription position was 'au fait' with Surrey Association rules.

What I would rather see would be for one of the provincial Diocesan Guilds to sponsor and get adopted (if possible), at Central Council level, a recommendation that all ringing organisations, with the exception of those strictly non-territorial Societies, i.e. College Youths, Cumberlands, Ladies' Guild, and the like, be Diocesan.—Yours, etc.,

B. SHARP.

RINGERS' HYMNS

Dear Sir,—At the present moment I am compiling a collection of ringers' hymns. I would be very much obliged if any of your readers, knowing of such hymns, could let me have the words and tunes. If the tune is in any of the standard hymn books the name will suffice. Thank you.—Yours faithfully,

ANDREW J. STRATHDEE.

1, Bickley Avenue, Four Oaks,
Sutton Coldfield, Warwicks.

BROADCASTING OF BELL MUSIC

Dear Sir,—I should like to express my support of Mr. Arthur Farrand in his remarks about the broadcast of bell music on Christmas morning. As he states, it was an enjoyable broadcast, and he is quite right in that at least one six-bell tower should have been included, and I hope that those responsible will make a note of this for next Christmas morning. If the B.B.C. are at a loss to know what to do about this, well, Arthur is the lad to put them on the right track!

I would add further to this, and state that it is my opinion that there ought to be very much more bell music on our radio and television than there is at present; and not only at Christmas time, but throughout the year. I do not think that the B.B.C. devotes above 60 minutes to bell music in 12 months, which, if one takes their average broadcasts as 15 hours daily, is a proportion of 5.475 to 1!

Tune ringing on handbells was noticeably absent from the B.B.C.'s Christmas programmes, and there can be no excuse at all for this when so many bands of handbell ringers throughout England and Wales tour their parishes and ring in their own parish churches, at this season. On Sunday, December 17th, I attended the annual service of nine lessons and carols at St. Thomas' Church, Norbury (Hazel Grove), Stockport. The handbell ringers played the accompaniment to three carols, the tower-bell ringers gave us a touch of Grandsire Triples on handbells, and with lovely singing by the choir and a packed congregation in this grand old church I thought what a wonderful opportunity for a television broadcast on the English way of celebrating Christmas had been missed! B.B.C., please note for 1962!

To revert to the Christmas broadcast, I listened carefully to the bells of Bethlehem which, to me, appeared to strike rounds just once, and I reckon there are five bells, with tenor note 'E' here.—Yours sincerely,

T. OGDEN.

Shaw, Oldham.

TIMING OF BOW BROADCAST

Dear Sir,—Referring to the Bow bells broadcast, a friend of mine has sent me these figures, which certainly amplify the protest:

Total time bells audible	67 secs.
Time (ringing) obscured by Dimbleby	
'blather'	35 secs.
Went into changes after	55 secs.
Fading commenced after	57 secs.
i.e. we heard 20 secs. rounds and 2 secs. Cinques—in a 20-minute programme.	

Besides which, my correspondent (a ringer in South Bucks) writes:

'Apart from the lack of ringing, the emphasis of the programme was not on Bow bells'—although it was programmed as 'Bow Bells.' I concur.—Yours sincerely,

W. BIRMINGHAM.

Slough, Bucks.

1,440 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

Dear Sir,—In all the recent multi-method record peals of Spliced Surprise Minor, two extents have been made up of Albert Relfe's 1,440 in 11 methods. However, this 1,440 does not appear to be composed of two round blocks of 720 changes, and hence does not conform with the accepted rules. Has a special exception been made for this composition, or are all these peals unacceptable? Perhaps the Methods Committee could provide an answer.—Yours sincerely,

IAN H. ORAM.

Orpington, Kent.

PEAL AT PEWSEY

Dear Sir,—Further to my letter in your issue of December 22nd, I make the following observations for the information of Mr. Patrick Bird, general secretary of the University of Bristol Society.

The bells at Pewsey have been going 'rough' for some time and three years ago a belfry inspector from the Salisbury Diocesan Guild visited the tower and made a report on the condition of the bells. Later the bell founders took over and carried out certain recastings and restorations. Two grants were made by the Guild towards the fund to meet the cost, and the bells were duly rededicated.

It was the prerogative of the Salisbury Guild to ring a peal of thanksgiving for the restoration. This was taken out of their hands entirely by the band who rang the peal on November 4th. I am sorry that Mr. Bird endorsed this taste of bad manners and lack of courtesy to the Salisbury Guild.

I am also sorry that Mr. Bird should mention peal booking fees and life membership subscriptions. This savoured of veiled sarcasm and does not merit an answer.—Yours truly,

W. C. WEST.
Hon. Sec., S.D.G.R.

APSLEY SURPRISE MAJOR PEAL WITHDRAWN

Dear Sir,—It is with deep regret that I have to inform you, and the Exercise, that the peal of Apsley Surprise Major rung at Sheffield English on October 28th, 1961, for the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild was false.

This was brought to my attention by Mr. Stephen Ivin, whose composition of 5,184 Jersey Surprise Major was used, viz.:

B	M	W	H	
—	—	—	—	23456
2X	—	—	—	64352
—	—	—	—	52436
—	—	—	—	35426
X	—	—	—	24653
—	—	—	—	45236
—	2	—	—	53246
—	—	—	—	23645

Twice repeated.

This composition is intended solely for Jersey.

Please extend my apologies to the band, the Guild and the historians.—Yours sincerely,

TOM CHAPMAN.

Bishopstoke, Hants.

NAMING OF MINIMUS PEALS

Dear Sir,—In answer to Mr. Geoffrey Dodds' naming of Minimus methods, in his article 'A Review of Minimus,' I do not mind what these methods are called. I called them the names I felt fitted them best. However, if Mr. Dodds would like to compile a list of names for these methods and get them printed in the 'R.W.', then these names could be the 'official' ones for the future. I do not mind what methods are called, so long as there is only 'one' name for each method.—Yours faithfully,

GEOFFREY R. DREW.

Arle, Cheltenham.

JUDGING RISE AND FALL

Dear Sir,—We are contemplating introducing 'Rise and Fall' into the contests of our Guild, and as secretary I have been instructed to appeal through your columns for information with regard to the same. In particular we should be grateful to any ringer who is familiar with judging such a contest for information concerning the method of setting down the 'faults' and/or 'penalties' for this type of contest.

With anticipatory thanks, I remain, yours sincerely,

Redbank.

EDWARD LEE.

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LETTERS—Continued

COMPOSITIONS OF LONG PEALS

Dear Sir,—It has been pointed out to me by a friend that, at present, the long peals rung at Loughborough and Worsley in 1961 do not comply with the rules of the Central Council. The compositions in their shortened form have not been published and I now wish to rectify the matter, both being enclosed with this letter.

32,704 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

By C. Kenneth Lewis

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Ringing Statistics of the Church of England

Provinces of Canterbury and York

Extracts from the Parochial Returns of Staff Membership and Finance for the year ended 31st December, 1958, and published in 'Facts and Figures about the Church of England.'

Dioceses	Men		Women		Men and Women		Totals
	Paid	Vol.	Paid	Vol.	Paid	Vol.	
Canterbury	155	760	53	354	208	1,114	1,322
London	88	534	40	265	128	799	927
Winchester	127	507	63	184	190	691	881
Bath and Wells	193	1,697	72	427	265	2,124	2,389
Birmingham	65	249	29	116	94	365	459
Bristol	125	338	29	125	154	463	617
Chelmsford	193	914	66	335	259	1,249	1,508
Chichester	170	778	49	342	219	1,120	1,339
Coventry	129	454	25	134	154	588	742
Derby	163	663	49	244	212	907	1,119
Ely	171	588	27	125	198	713	911
Exeter	415	2,107	60	229	475	2,336	2,811
Gloucester	134	763	25	219	159	982	1,141
Guildford	51	397	36	286	87	683	770
Hereford	128	639	10	161	138	800	938
Leicester	105	774	43	220	148	994	1,142
Lichfield	400	969	71	290	471	1,259	1,730
Lincoln	259	924	53	191	312	1,115	1,427
Norwich	148	684	35	181	183	865	1,048
Oxford	383	1,645	93	487	476	2,132	2,608
Peterborough	136	866	35	271	171	1,137	1,308
Portsmouth	44	205	9	141	53	346	399
Rochester	90	425	25	213	115	638	753
St. Albans	166	912	45	326	211	1,238	1,449
St. Edms. and Ipswich	152	637	47	160	199	797	996
Salisbury	312	1,228	60	302	372	1,530	1,902
Southwark	61	264	27	150	88	414	502
Truro	118	1,118	30	293	148	1,411	1,559
Worcester	132	490	28	114	160	604	764

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM

The annual meeting of the St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham was held in St. Martin's Hall on January 6th, with the Master, Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd, in the chair.

Before commencing the ordinary business, the chairman referred to the recent passing of George T. Mitchison, an old Perry Barr ringer, which occurred in his 90th year. The members stood in silence as a token of respect to his memory.

Dr. Alexander Smith, of Harborne, and Mr. Frederick Ross, of Queen's College, were elected members. The tower elections, as life members, of the following ringers were duly ratified: Miss B. Gillian Schofield (Bradford), Alan J. Griffin (Seaford), A. Peter Whitehead (Marsden), Miss Carol Fernley (Hazel Grove), Mr. John Halliwell (Darwen), Tudor Edwards (Liverpool), Bryan J. Wylde (Stafford).

Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd expressed a wish to retire from the office of Master. Having served in this capacity for a term of three years, he felt that the honour should pass to someone else. Mr. Frank E. Haynes was nominated but, instead of accepting office himself, proposed Mr. Richard C. Ingram, an old member of the Guild, of Aston Parish Church. The original proposer and seconder having withdrawn their nomination, Mr. Ingram was unanimously elected.

The other officers for 1962 were re-elected, namely: Ringing Master, Mr. John Pinfold; trustees, Alderman A. Paddon-Smith and Mr. E. C. Shepherd; auditors, Messrs. H. H. Fearn and S. Holloway; librarian, Mr. E. C. Shepherd; honorary secretary and treasurer, Mr. G. E. Fearn.

It was decided to invite the Rector of Birmingham, Canon Bryan S. W. Green, to take the chair at the forthcoming Henry Johnson dinner, which will be held at the Imperial Hotel on February 24th.

For the place of next meeting, propositions were made for Rowley Regis, Northfield and King's Norton; the voting being in favour of Northfield. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to Canon Bryan Green, for permission to use the well appointed Church Hall for the meeting.

GUILD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

It was announced at the quarterly meeting of the East Devon Branch, held at Awliscombe on January 13th, that a peal board, prepared in memory of Preb. E. V. Cox, is to be placed in Stockland Church and dedicated at the monthly practice to be held there on February 2nd.

About 40 ringers attended. The service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. Mr. Hamilton), and tea prepared by the ladies of Awliscombe. At the meeting, with Mr. H. Woodley in the chair, members stood in silence for the late Mr. G. Burrows. Certificates were presented to three Dunkeswell members and one new member elected.

Ringling included Plain Bob, Grandsire and Siedman Doubles, Bob Minor and Kent T.B. Minor. W. W.

SIXTY YEARS A RINGER



MR. C. KNOWLES, Sampford Arundel.

Mr. C. Knowles was born in the Devonshire village of Witleigh 86 years ago and learned to ring on nearby Calverleigh's five bells in his early twenties. He and his friends were determined to ring 'Scientific' and, having no books and no teacher, they memorised 120 changes of Grandsire Doubles and rang it triumphantly for the Rev. Maitland Kelly, then president of the Devon Guild, when he came to test them. Suspicious of such perfect striking he made them change round, but he could not fault them; they had each learned the work of every bell. A benefactor was so pleased with their progress that he gave a sixth bell to Calverleigh Church.

'Charlie' Knowles learned to ring the hard way. Determined to master Stedman, he used to cycle to Milverton (20 miles) every Sunday morning, riding back after service along the dusty, twisting lanes. He once cycled to Melksham for a peal, and remembers that on the way home he got off at Rockwell Green and watched them lay a silver coin under the cornerstone of the tower of All Saints' Church.

His family moved to Cullompton, where he rang for six years, and then early in 1914 he went to live in Tiverton. He joined up when war broke out and his wife took his place in the tower of St. Peter's. Invalided out of the Army after four years he rang continuously at St. Peter's for 15 years, after which he became licensee of the Beam Bridge Hotel, Sampford Arundel. The ringers of Holy Cross Church, Sampford Arundel, were then, as they still are, a call change band. Their five bells were augmented by a new treble in 1958, making a light ring of six (tenor 8 cwt.). Mr. Knowles rings it every Sunday morning.

A local band is struggling to learn method ringing, under the auspices of the Stevens family and Mr. Stanley Bristow. When weather permits, Mr. Knowles comes to help. Long may he do so. E. M. W.

BELLS OF LONDON

From an early Victorian Book of Games, with instructions for playing 'Oranges and Lemons.'

Gay go up and gay go down
To ring the bells of London Town.

Bull's eyes and targets,
Say the bells of St. Margaret's.

Brickbats and tiles,
Say the bells of St. Giles'.

Halfpence and farthings,
Say the bells of St. Martin's.

Oranges and lemons,
Say the bells of St. Clement's.

Pancakes and fritters,
Say the bells of St. Peter's.

Two sticks and an apple,
Say the bells of Whitechapel.

Old Father Baldpate,
Say the slow bells at Aldgate.

Your owe me ten shillings,
Say the bells at St. Helen's.

Papers and tongs,
Say the bells at St John's.

Kettles and pans,
Say the bells at St. Ann's.

When will you pay me?
Say the bells of Old Bailey.

When I grow rich,
Say the bells at Shoreditch.

Pray, when will that be?
Say the bells of Stepney.

I am sure I didn't know,
Says the great bell at Bow.

Here comes a candle to light you to bed,
And here comes a chopper to chop off your head.

M. E. McGUIRE.

Cumnor.

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THE SMITHS

THE STORY OF A RINGING FAMILY

By I. N. QUICK

(Continued from page 59)

Our last instalment dealt with the opening stages of the Guild committee meeting to decide conditions of the annual shield contest. Joe Smith, head ringer of Hexworth, succeeded with his resolution that 'rise and fall' be introduced as an experiment. Others at the meeting included Walter Hardaker, of Netherton; Jack Byers, of Renthorpe; Raymond Smithson, of Redbank; Stewart Marston, of Layton-on-the-Wold; David Walker, of Whetherton; Leslie Owen, of Undercliffe; and David Thomas, of Rosse-on-Ooze.

Seeing that the election of judges had, in view of the previous discussions become a mere formality, the next item on the agenda, viz., 'the selection of a tower for the contest,' was quickly open for discussion.

'What about Harmsley?' asked Allen Slater, of Brigton.

Allen was a rawboned mountain of a man, who stood well over six feet and possessed long sinewy limbs and bulging biceps. Following Allen on to a bell meant either unfastening a string of knots (for Brigton still clung to 'Yorkshire ends,' and the shortening of a rope-end was a mystery that Allen had never attempted to solve), or collecting all the spare boxes in the ringing chamber in order to reach the backstroke.

If Joe hadn't known the ingenious nature and honest character of this blue-eyed giant he would have thought there was some ulterior motive in his suggestion, for Harmsley Church, though it may have boasted a Norman nave that was the pride of the diocese and a square, squat tower of the same period that gazed serenely across the valley like a comfortable old lady unruffled by time and events, had a ringing chamber contained therein that was as spacious as a Dutch barn—and about as comfortable to ring in. Furthermore, the bellfounders or whoever had been responsible for the design and installation of the bells, impressed, no doubt by the majestic architectural scale of their surroundings, had supplied Harmsley with a ring of bells in similar generous proportions. Ponderous and slow, the sound of them echoed down the valley like the music of some gigantic, celestial organ.

But the ringing of the bells was an Herculean task suitable for a team of Brobdingnagians. None of the bells was easy to ring, but the tenor was renowned for its difficulty. Succeeding generations had gradually increased its estimated weight, a phenomenon not unknown at other towers, where the true weight of a bell is unknown, until now it was reputed to be various weights between 15 cwt. and 2½ tons. More than one ringer who had taken hold of it ('it,' because the feminine gender would be ludicrously inappropriate) to ring a touch at a meeting had found himself dangling like a puppet at the end of a string unable to pull the bell into motion, and it was now generally conceded that it was best left alone by anyone under 14 stone.

Allen was, of course, one of the few men within a radius of 20 miles who could ring it. Another was John Cole, the local tenor man. 15 stone if he was an ounce, who must have had sadistic tendencies, seeing that he always made sure that the bell had three times the amount of 'set' that any self-respecting bell should have.

Several people looked up in alarm at Allen's question, although they needn't have worried; there wasn't the least danger of Harmsley being selected: collapsing through over-exhaustion was not a popular Saturday afternoon pastime indulged in by the assembled company.

David Walker favoured Undercliffe, and said so. This was hardly surprising since the church was only about two miles from Whetherton, David's home tower, and he with two or three more of the Whetherton

band attended the Undercliffe practices quite frequently. Even with the two ringers that David hoped to collect from Barnswood, the Whetherton team would still be in a strong position, for Undercliffe bells were light and tricky and the best bands found it difficult to settle down quickly in a contest unless they had had a good deal of previous practice there. Undercliffe had a diminutive tower with a tiny belfry, rendered even smaller by a protruding clock case, a ceiling so low that Allen Slater rapped his knuckles against the beams on the backstroke, and a diabolical third bell, the rope of which was believed to pass through an S-shaped drainpipe and which gave a vicious kick every other stroke as if to emphasise the fact.

The Whetherton team usually did well at this tower and had won quite a few of the contests that had been held there, a fact well remembered by many of the ringers present.

John Chappell butted in.

'Seeing that we would prefer to have a tower where it is unlikely that that tower will, for some reason or other, not be entering a team in the contest, I wonder if someone would care to extend an invitation to us?' and he looked straight at Walter Hardaker, whilst the majority of ringers present, despite his double negative, followed suit.

Poor Walter, who had been waiting patiently to second someone's proposition, suddenly found himself the centre of attraction. Now Walter was the only active Guild member of the Netherton company: other ringers there were who met Sunday mornings and Sunday nights to help him to ring 'the first twelve' of Bob Minor ('What is the tune that the ringers are always playing at our tower?' a Netherton business acquaintance once asked Joe), but meetings, even at their own tower, they never attended, although they met regularly every Wednesday night at 7.30 p.m. 'to practise.'

Consequently, all the arrangements for ringing functions were left in the hands of Walter, and preparing for the Guild contest was no pushover: Walter knew, he had done it before: many times!

He gazed around him, somewhat helplessly, in his shortsighted manner.

'I'm always pleased to help,' he said, 'but, as you know, the bells are getting the worse for wear, and I can't get up among them nowadays—my rheumatics, you know—and they really could do with overhauling. I should think that it will be knee deep in birds' nests up there nowadays, too. There's nobody to do it if I don't do it.'

All this was, of course, perfectly true. Netherton was one of those towers where the spiral staircase ended when it reached the ringing chamber. A ladder, or more correctly a flight of stairs, which, when not in use, sprawled diagonally across one side of the belfry, had, when required, to be manoeuvred into position with the top end resting against a beam which ran across the centre of the ceiling above. This operation demanded both experience and patience, not to mention brute strength, and was fraught with danger: one slip or miscalculation and the whole contraption which must have weighed several hundred-weights would have come crashing to the floor, and nobody in their proper senses would stand within several feet of its direct line of attack.

Having got the thing into position one mounted the steps in order to slide back (by means of handles bolted to the underside) two massive trapdoors which formed a good quarter of the ceiling and which would have made pretty effective emergency rafts for a goodly portion of the crew of the 'Queen Mary.'

This accomplished, one then gazed upwards into the mouth of the fifth bell, which, of course, had previously been lowered if

necessary. The final phase of the operation required a peculiar kind of agility usually acquired and demonstrated by acrobats or contortionists on view at circuses or witnessed on the television in certain command performances. It involved worming and twisting in semi-darkness past the sliding mechanism and round the underlip of the bell and clambering upwards using the wheel, the cross-braces of the frame, the side of the bell and whatever projections or protuberances could be grasped on the spur of the moment, until with a sense of fulfilment such as has been felt by no other human being, save perhaps by Sir Edmund Hillary when he reached the summit of Mount Everest, one eventually stood triumphant on top of the bell-frame.

This triumph of mind (and muscle) over matter was, of course, never achieved without cost, and a person who had only barked both his shins or removed the tops of his knuckles of both hands was considered to have got off lightly. The return journey was much less hazardous, providing, of course, one ignored the advice of some wit in the belfry who shouted up that the quickest way down was to 'shut one's eyes and walk about!'

Walter, who, as he rightly said, had 'never bin up there for some yurs now,' had an arrangement with the local joiner, whereby the latter would replace broken stays at three days' notice. Now wise to the procedure, the joiner kept a supply of stays on hand and had a posse of men well trained in handling the steps and the trapdoors. On being questioned by the treasurer of the Church Council as to the excessive cost of replacing a stay he pointed out that the time spent could be itemised as follows:

To replacing broken stay	¼ hr.
To fixing steps, opening trapdoors, clearing debris in order to reach the stay, closing trapdoors after replacing stay, and replacing steps after closing trapdoor.	24 hrs.
Total	24 hrs.

Seeing that the whole operation usually entailed the services of two men and a boy, the breaking of a stay at Netherton was a costly business.

Walter therefore felt he was on a pretty good thing when he spoke of the condition of the bells. Bellringers, however, are quite ruthless.

'That's all right,' said Raymond cheerfully. 'I'll bring Donald Russell over and we'll go over them: clean the lot out, check 'em, tighten all the nuts and grease 'em, same as we did at Wadsworth last year,' and he grinned encouragingly at Walter.

Walter looked as if he didn't know whether the offer of putting the bells and the bell chamber in some semblance of order was worth the trouble he would have to undergo in making preparations for the contest.

'Perhaps,' he pleaded, in order to gain a little time in which to consider the latest development, 'there is some other tower with more suitable bells that would like to hold the contest?' and he peered hopefully around.

Everybody looked at one another.

Many of the towers represented were automatically excluded as they were contemplating entering a team, and the rules clearly stated that no ringer was allowed to ring a contest held in his own tower. Of the others, some were on the outer fringe of the Guild area, which made them undesirable owing to the distance that certain teams would have to travel, whilst the bells of others, like Harmsley and Undercliffe, were not really suitable for contest ringing. Several other towers were suggested, discussed and, for various reasons, one by one eliminated. Walter felt the circle narrowing. If he had to accept the inevitable at least he was determined, he told himself, to accept it with good grace, giving the impression (he hoped) that it was not the inevitable he was accepting.

'Time is short, gentlemen,' he said, standing up and facing his tormentors bravely, 'and to cut short the discussion it would give me great pleasure to extend to the Guild an

The Smiths — Continued

invitation to hold the annual shield contest at Netherton,' and he sat down with patient resignation.

'Gentlemen,' said John Chappell sentimentally, as though the possibility of a contest at Netherton was something that had never, until that moment, entered his mind. 'you have all heard what our good friend Walter has had to say. In view of this generous offer I have great pleasure in moving that we hold our annual shield contest at Netherton.'

This was duly seconded—not this time by Walter—and there being, rather surprisingly, no counter proposition was passed unanimously.

The meeting closed shortly afterwards and the ringers made their way round to the tower door. On his way there Joe was overtaken by Raymond.

'Thanks for helping me out,' he said to Joe. 'It would have been all over if you hadn't spoken.'

'That's all right, Raymond,' replied Joe. 'Anyway, it's to our advantage: Hexworth were always better than Redbank at rising and falling.'

They both laughed. Then Raymond became serious. He stood on one side to allow Joe to enter the belfry door.

'Yes,' he said, as the bells above began to peal out. 'it will be a good thing for Redbank. We shall have to pay some attention to rising and falling if the contest includes it. We must be one of the most slovenly teams in the Guild at this subject. Yes, it will be a good thing.'

'So long as the modern generation,' thought Joe to himself, 'can produce lads like Raymond, there isn't much wrong with it after all!'

[To be continued]

ADDINGTON, SURREY.—On Nov. 19th. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Rayfield 1, Ruth Perrin 2, J. Perrin 3, P. J. Milton 4, R. Bird (cond.) 5, A. M. Macve 6.

OBITUARY

MR. A. KING

AN APPRECIATION

Alfred King, whose death occurred on December 19th, was known to ringers in all parts of the British Isles.

A man of unimpeachable integrity, friendly and sincere, he possessed the ability to express himself with remarkable clarity, and will be long remembered by his many friends.

As a ringer he was an excellent bell-handler, and rang a great variety of methods. Possessing great natural gifts, he would have distinguished himself in any field of activity, and it was a happy day for bellringing in Bedfordshire and particularly at Luton Parish Church, when, 60 years ago, he became interested in the art of change ringing. His great energy and enthusiasm in those early years did much to further the cause of campanology. He served Luton Parish Church faithfully for 60 years, during which time he was a most regular attender and always punctual. He was for 45 years the tower secretary.

He joined the Bedfordshire Association in 1903, and in 1920 was elected a vice-president, a position he held for the remainder of his life. He was secretary of the Luton District for eight years, and for 16 years he served the Association as a Central Council representative.

Mr. King considered Sunday service ringing his first duty, and always lived up to this ideal, whilst on practice nights he was ever helpful and considerate to those who lacked his ability and experience. He also enjoyed an occasional peal, and his great versatility is shown in the following list of his peals:

Minor.—4 methods 1, 7 methods 1.

Triples.—Grandsire 9 (conducted 6), Stedman 16.

Major.—Plain Bob 7 (3), Little Bob 1, Kent T.B. 5 (2), Oxford T.B. 1, Double Norwich 13, Cambridge Surprise 7, Superlative S. 4, Bristol S. 1, London S. 1.

Caters.—Grandsire 1, Stedman 4.

Royal.—Plain Bob 2, Kent T.B. 1, Cambridge Surprise 2.

Cinques.—Stedman 2.

Total 79 (11).

MR. A. E. PARSONS

AN APPRECIATION

The following appreciation is received of Mr. A. E. Parsons, of Staveley, Derbyshire:

'Having served God and his church for many years in the work of a bellringer and sidesman, Mr. A. E. Parsons is sadly missed. He was always in his place, especially in the belfry until prevented by ill-health, and his capabilities and willingness to teach others will make his place difficult to fill.'

'A muffled peal was attempted to his memory, but unfortunately was lost after an hour's good ringing. We all pray that he has found rest in God's eternal home, along with his wife who died only ten weeks ago.'

L. G. P.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

A very successful and enjoyable annual meeting of the Kington District was held at Weobley on January 6th, where the ages of those present ranged from 11 to 82 years. The afternoon's ringing was followed by the Guild's form of service, conducted by the Rev. H. T. Rooke (Vicar), with Mrs. Rooke as organist.

After tea, the business meeting was held at the Vicarage, with the Vicar in the chair. The secretary (Mr. Jabez Preece) reported a successful year, with increased membership and good attendances at meetings. Four peals and three quarter peals had been rung in the District. Four members qualified for certificates for full membership. The District officers were re-elected, the secretary starting his 38th year in office. Next meeting, Old Radnor, April 28th; monthly practice, Dilwyn, in March.

More ringers arrived during the evening and at one time about 40 were gathered in the tower. A short touch was rung by a ladies' team.

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Is this the answer to ensuring a future band in a tower?

At Spalding within the last 10 months no fewer than five babies have arrived to members of the tower, but with one boy and four girls will it be under petticoat government? Perhaps someone who keeps records will tell us if this is one?

Silver wedding bells were to be heard at Ringwood, Hants, on January 20th in honour of the 25th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Marshallsay.

With a peal of Triples at Cannock, Staffs, Mr. Peter J. Barker completed Grandsire from Doubles to Cinques. It is unusual to meet a ringer who reserves Triples for the last peal of the family.

Another Australian compliment—Walkerville Surprise Major. This was rung at Quedgeley, Glos, on January 20th and in it participated the South Australian, Brian Cox. The composition of the peal was the same as that for Turramurra Surprise, which appeared in the 'R.W.' of October 13th last (page 692).

At Claybrooke, Leics, a peal of Claybrooke Surprise Major was rung on January 13th. Last December, because of a late start owing to trouble with the conductor's car, a third of the peal was rung. This time everybody arrived on time, and apart from a few minor slips the peal progressed smoothly.

There will be no more ringing at Kingsclere, Hants, until, it is expected, just before Easter. The bells are now dismantled, to be rehung on ball bearings. The frame is also to be stiffened up and the ring augmented to eight by the addition of two new trebles. When the usual Thursday practice is resumed, visitors will be very welcome.

The parish of Stotfold, Hitchin, was fortunate when the Rev. Mr. Bullock was inducted to the living last October, as he and his son and daughter are keen ringers. After an inspection by the bell founders (Messrs. John Taylor and Co.) at very short notice, the bells were rung for Christmas after a lapse of over nine years. Mr. Philip Mehew reports that learners are now being taught.

BELFRY GOSSIP

A splendid example of loyal service to the church has been set by Mr. Ernest Fenner, who has recently received a cheque for £100 from worshippers and friends at Mayfield Parish Church, Sussex, as an appreciation of long and faithful service. This includes 75 years in the choir, 56 years as a bellringer and 48 years as parish clerk. The Chichester Diocesan Leaflet comments: This may well be a record.

We hear of signs of progress in West Cumberland. A Surprise practice was held at Workington last Saturday.

We are asked to correct a statement regarding the captaincy of Godalming tower. The captain is Supt. R. J. S. Hagley.

The announcement recently that Brian Cox was on his way back to Australia is premature. We learn that he is returning at the end of February.

The peal rung at Warsop, Notts, on December 15th and printed on page 11 ('R.W.' January 5th) was rung for the Southwell Diocesan Guild.

There was a happy gathering after the peal at Loddon, Norfolk, on January 13th in honour of the engagement of Tony Roberts and Janet M. Copling. The engaged couple and Mrs. Copling kindly provided refreshments.

For many years a ringer in the Dartford District of Kent, Mr. John Wheadon celebrated his 90th birthday on January 4th. Several years ago, he moved to his son's home at Wilmslow, Cheshire. Mr. Wheadon's cheerful and unobtrusive manner has led to his making a large number of friends in this District. Mrs. Wheadon was 89 in December.

A highlight of the Bristol University dinner last Saturday was the presentation of a cheque for £5 to Mr. Ralph G. Edwards by Mr. A. Patrick Cannon in settlement of the bet regarding the ringing of St. George's, Bristol, tenor to a peal. Might we suggest that the cheque be framed, together with the two cuttings from 'The Ringing World.' An appropriate heading would be 'The King is dead, long live the King.'

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TWELVE BELL PEALS

WINCHESTER.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 6, 1962, in 3 Hours and 42 Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of The Holy Trinity, SS. PETER, PAUL AND SWITHIN.

A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 35 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb. in C.

*JESSIE M. KIPPIN Treble	*WILLIAM YOUNG 7
M. ELIZABETH CHAPMAN .. 2	†DAVID J. FORDER 8
FRANK L. HARRIS 3	R. ROGER SAVORY 9
ANN M. COX 4	MAURICE J. BUTLER 10
PHILIP N. TUBBS 5	ROBERT C. KIPPIN 11
*DENNIS B. BROWN 6	TOM CHAPMAN Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by R. ROGER SAVORY.

*First peal of Stedman Cinques. †First 12-bell peal. First of Stedman Cinques as conductor. First 12-bell peal for the Guild by an entirely resident band.

Rung for the enthronement of the Rt. Rev. Sherard Falkner Allison, D.D., as Bishop of Winchester in the Cathedral earlier this day.

LINCOLN.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,

In St. Hugh's Tower in the Cathedral Church of the

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY,

A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb. in D.

STANLEY E. BENNETT Treble	GEORGE W. MASSEY 7
NORAH M. RANGLES 2	WALTER TOMLINSON 8
JACK L. MILLHOUSE 3	JOHN WALDEN 9
RAYMOND F. SMITH 4	GEOFFREY PAUL 10
RONALD C. NOON 5	GEOFFREY R. PARKER 11
LOUIS WILDERDS 6	DFREK TAYLOR Tenor

Composed by F. E. DARBY (C.C.C. 34).

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

In memoriam John Ashley Freeman, Master of this tower (1929-1961).

OXFORD.

THE OXFORD SOCIETY.

On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of Christ.

A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 30 cwt.

CHRIS. M. P. JOHNSON .. Treble	FREDERICK A. H. WILKINS .. 7
JAMES R. TAYLOR 2	DERMOT J. ROAF 8
BRIAN R. WHITE 3	EDGAR J. SMITH 9
WALTER F. JUDGE 4	FRANCIS A. WHITE 10
MAURICE J. THURMOTT .. 5	NEIL I. ALLNATT 11
PHILIP WALKER 6	J. RICHARD CHAUNDY .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by CHRIS. M. P. JOHNSON.

TEN BELL PEALS

CHRISTCHURCH, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 6, 1962, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,

At the Priory Church of The Holy Trinity.

A PEAL OF 5076 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 28 cwt. in D.

MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY .. Treble	ARTHUR V. DAVIS 6
HERBERT A. MITCHELL .. 2	ALAN A. J. BUSWELL 7
DOROTHY T. GARDINER .. 3	MICHAEL J. THOMAS 8
WILLIAM F. J. COPE 4	DAVID E. HOUSE 9
JOHN R. FAITHFULL 5	LEWIS F. COBB Tenor

Composed by MORRIS J. MORRIS.

Conducted by ARTHUR V. DAVIS.

Rung for the enthronement of the Right Rev. F. S. Allison, D.D., as Bishop of Winchester in Winchester Cathedral this day.

LEYLAND, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 13, 1962, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew.

A PEAL OF 5000 REDCLIFFE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 22½ cwt.

SIDNEY HOUGH, JUN. .. Treble	FREDERICK W. GROCOTT .. 6
TUDOR P. EDWARDS 2	JOHN H. FIELDEN 7
FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. 3	DEREK OGDEN 8
F. JOHN NELSON 4	NEIL BENNETT 9
C. KENNETH LEWIS 5	DENIS MOTTERSHEAD .. Tenor

Arranged by C. K. LEWIS.

Conducted by FREDERICK W. GROCOTT.

First peal in the method.

Rung as a 90th birthday compliment to Mr. John Wheadon, of Wilmslow, Cheshire.

REDCLIFFE SURPRISE ROYAL

By JOHN E. COOK.

x 50 x 14, 50 x 50, 38 x 3478 x 38, 16 x 16. 70 x 16 x

1243658709

Half-lead 10. Lead-head 1426385079

F.C.H.'s: 45236, 32654.

4th's place bobs were used.

TRURO, CORNWALL.

THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 35 cwt.

REV. A. S. ROBERTS .. Treble	DAVID J. KING 6
*DOUGLAS BURNETT 2	*GRAHAM D. CARTER 7
GEOFFREY W. TAYSOM .. 3	*ANTHONY J. DAVIDSON .. 8
*ANTHONY LOCKE 4	ROBERT A. SOUTHWOOD .. 9
*CLEMENT W. JOSE 5	ALAN CARVETH Tenor

Composed by H. J. TUCKER.

Conducted by ALAN CARVETH.

*First peal of Royal.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

CLAYBROOKE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 13, 1962, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter.

A PEAL OF 5184 CLAYBROOKE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb. in E flat.

R. KINGSLEY MASON .. Treble	ALAN E. HARTLEY 5
GEOFFREY M. BREWIN .. 2	GRAHAM T. BALL 6
MARTIN FAULKES 3	DENIS A. FRITH 7
A. MAXWELL LINDSEY .. 4	JOHN M. JELLEY Tenor

Composer anonymous.

Conducted by GEOFFREY M. BREWIN.

First peal in the method for the Guild.

LODDON, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 13, 1962, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

At the Church of The Holy Trinity.

A PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

*ANTHONY H. ROBERTS .. Treble	JACK KING 5
†LEONARD J. MINNS 2	ERNEST WHITING 6
JAMES W. FORDER 3	†HARRY B. FULLER 7
GODFREY G. WALPOLE .. 4	H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINES.

Conducted by ERNEST WHITING.

*First peal of Treble Bob Major. †50th peal. †First in the method. Rung as a compliment to the ringer of the treble and Miss Janet M. Copling, of Loddon, on the occasion of their engagement.

WHITCHURCH, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 13, 1962, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Alkmund.

A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb. in E.

PETER MORRIS Treble	HAROLD F. WHITE 5
BESSIE CARTER 2	EDWARD V. RODENHURST .. 6
MARY C. POYNER 3	HARRY POYNER 7
RICHARD E. MORRIS 4	BARNABAS G. KEY Tenor

Composed and Conducted by HARRY POYNER.

Rung in thanks for the life and work of Harry Edge, tower captain of Much Weniock, Shropshire, who died on January 6th.

DONINGTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Jan. 15, 1962, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary and the Holy Rood.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14½ cwt.

GEORGE DAWSON Treble	RONALD C. NOON 5
JOHN E. ALLEN 2	GEORGE W. MASSEY 6
STANLEY E. BENNETT .. 3	J. MARTIN THORLEY 7
ALBERT W. A. LEGGETT .. 4	CYRIL R. BURRELL Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by RONALD C. NOON.

In honour of the birth this day of Delyth Anne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Chapman, of Spalding.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

On Mon., Jan. 15, 1962, in 2 Hours and 12 Minutes,

At the Bell Foundry Campanile,

A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

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

*MALCOLM D. BARSBY .. Treble	†B. STEDMAN PAYNE 5
RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. 2	†R. KINGSLEY MASON 6
†BRIAN G. WARWICK 3	JOSEPH W. COTTON 7
ERNEST MORRIS 4	A. JAMES POYNER Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM BARTON.

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

*First peal of Treble Bob. †500th as conductor. †First in the method.

LOWER BEEDING, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Jan. 15, 1962, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

At the Church of The Holy Trinity.

A PEAL OF 5088 QUEDGELEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 2 lb. in G.

EDWARD F. FOSBERRY .. Treble	STANLEY G. PONTING 5
WILLIAM T. BEESON 2	ROBERT WAKE 6
EDGAR R. RAPLEY 3	GEORGE FRANCIS 7
FRANK H. HICKS 4	W. LESLIE WELLER Tenor

Composed by HARRY POYNER.

Conducted by W. LESLIE WELLER.

First peal in the method for the Association.

Rung to welcome the Rev. A. E. and Mrs. Gray to the parish.

OXFORD.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Jan. 16, 1962, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EBBE.

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's transposition.		Tenor 4 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.	
EDWARD VENN	Treble	EDGAR J. SMITH	5
CHARLES COLES	2	FRANCIS A. WHITE	6
CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE	3	BRIAN R. WHITE	7
JOHN DREWITT	4	WALTER F. JUDGE	Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN R. WHITE.

GATESHEAD, CO. DURHAM.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Jan. 17, 1962, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

NORMAN ERRINGTON		Tenor 15 cwt.	
ERIC N. HARRISON	2	*ALAN R. PATTERSON	5
FREDERICK ROSS	3	BRYAN PATTISON	6
GEORGE S. DEAS	4	J. ALAN AINSWORTH	7
Composed by NORMAN SMITH.		†KENNETH ARTHUR	
*First peal in the method.		†Has now 'circled the tower.'	

HIGHCLERE, HAMPSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Jan. 18, 1962, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

ALBERT DISERENS		Tenor 11 cwt. 27 lb. in G.	
FRANK W. LEWIS	2	PETER WILKINSON	5
JENNIFER M. DAVIES	3	JOHN MANLEY	6
REGINALD W. REX	4	RONALD F. DISERENS	7
Composed by G. BAKER.		GEOFFREY K. DODD	
		Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.	

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSN. & N. SOUTHWARK DIO. GUILD.

On Thurs., Jan. 18, 1962, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5024 ASHFORD SURPRISE MAJOR

C. EDWARD LANKESTER		Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.	
JOAN BERESFORD	2	JOHN R. MAYNE	5
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY	3	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY	6
ALICK CUTLER	4	ALFRED J. HOUSE	7
		THOMAS J. LOCK	
		Tenor	

Arranged and Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

First peal in the method, which appears in Corrigan's collection as Boston (No. 39). It is now renamed because it is not related to Boston Surprise Royal.

BRENCHELY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

THOMAS E. SONE		Tenor 17½ cwt. in E.	
TREVOR A. CROSS	2	MONTY W. GILBERT	5
REGINALD E. LAMBERT	3	ROBERT T. LAMBERT	6
MARTIN L. HOWE	4	BERNARD F. L. GROVES	7
Composed by C. W. ROBERTS.		REGINALD L. SILLS	
		Tenor	
		Conducted by THOMAS E. SONE.	

CLIFFE-AT-HOO, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN.

A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 14 methods, being 576 London, 384 each Rutland, Ealing, Watford, Wembley, Knebworth, Lindum, Bristol and Rochester, 288 each Cambridge, Superlative, Yorkshire, Painswick and Lincolnshire; 152 changes of method.		Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb. in E flat.	
DORIS E. COLGATE	Treble	IAN H. ORAM	5
ARTHUR S. RICHARDS	2	THOMAS CULLINGWORTH	6
RALPH BIRD	3	JOHN R. COOPER	7
STANLEY JENNER	4	PHILIP A. CORBY	Tenor
Composed by E. A. BARNETT.		Conducted by PHILIP A. CORBY.	
First of 14-Spliced by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.			

CANNOCK, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part (seventh observation).		Tenor 14 cwt. 11 lb.	
*MARGARET A. GUTHRIE	Treble	*DAVID J. WILKES	5
E. MARION KEY	2	ROGER L. HAWKSWORTH	6
BARNABAS G. KEY	3	JAMES S. EASTWOOD	7
*PETER J. BARKER	4	GEORGE BRADBURY	Tenor

Conducted by JAMES S. EASTWOOD.

*First peal of Grandsire Triples.

ASHFORD SURPRISE MAJOR

58—58.4—58—38—14—5.14—14.5.
2nds place 1-c. 4ths place bob.

COCKERMOUTH, CUMBERLAND.

CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. in F sharp.	
HAROLD N. TEMBEY	Treble
ROGER WEIENHALL	2
STANLEY RICHARDSON	3
JOHN H. MCTEAR	4
Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.	
Rung to welcome the new Vicar, the Ven. W. E. A. Pugh, M.A., L.R.A.M., Archdeacon of West Cumberland, whose induction took place on January 18th.	

HUGHENDEN, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, being 2,560 London, 960 each of Bristol and Cambridge, and 640 Superlative; with 100 changes of method.		Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb. in F.	
ANNE C. GARNETT	Treble	FREDERICK R. SCOTT	5
GILLIAN A. NEAL SMITH	2	J. KEITH WARD	6
KATHLEEN M. HIGGINS	3	ROBIN G. LEALE	7
DAVID A. CORNWALL	4	WILLIAM S. DEASON	Tenor
Composed by S. J. IVIN.		Conducted by ROBIN G. LEALE.	

KNEBWORTH, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5056 ANGLESEA SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt.	
*H. GEORGE HART	Treble
†ELSIE K. HART	2
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY	3
ERIC EDMONDSON	4
Composed and Conducted by CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY.	
*50th peal together. †50th peal together. First in the method.	

LONDON.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN, PUTNEY.

A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 25 lb. in F.	
GILLIAN A. NEAL SMITH	Treble
ROBIN G. LEALE	2
KATHLEEN M. HIGGINS	3
DIANA M. LAWLESS	4
Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES.	
Conducted by ROBIN G. LEALE.	

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.

On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

A PEAL OF 5376 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in C.	
ROBERT E. DAY	Treble
ROGER BALDWIN	2
DEBORAH HOPKINS	3
S. KATHLEEN BALDWIN	4
Composed by ERNEST MORRIS.	
*First peal. †First on eight bells.	
A 25th birthday compliment to Ken Price.	

MORPETH, NORTHUMBERLAND.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
AT THE WATCH TOWER.

A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 26 lb. in G.	
NICHOLAS I. WRIGHT	Treble
ALAN R. PATTERSON	2
*ROHILLA M. COOKE	3
ROBIN G. TURNER	4
Composed by JOHN R. MAYNE.	
Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.	
*First peal in the method.	

RINGWOOD, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18½ cwt.	
HERBERT A. MITCHELL	Treble
DOROTHY T. GARDNER	2
MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY	3
FRANK L. HARRIS	4
Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY.	
Conducted by RONALD N. MARLOW.	
*First peal in the method. First in the method as conductor.	
A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Marshallsay on their 25th wedding anniversary.	

ANGLESEA SURPRISE MAJOR

—5—6—12—36—12—5—4—7
8ths place lead-end. 6ths place bob.
(No. 8 in Corrigan's collection.)

QUEDGELEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.
A PEAL OF 5056 WALKERVILLE SURPRISE MAJOR
 Tenor 9½ cwt.

IVOR GOULTER Treble	*CYRIL A. WRATTEN 5
GEOFFREY R. DREW 2	ANTHONY R. PEAKE 6
SHIRLEY M. PARSONS 3	BRIAN COX 7
PETER T. HURCOMBE 4	BRIAN BLADON Tenor

Composed by R. F. B. SPEED. Conducted by CYRIL A. WRATTEN.
 * 25th Surprise method to a peal. First peal in the method.

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
 Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in F.

*CAROL I. V. CORTON .. Treble	ERNEST MORRIS 5
A. JAMES POYNOR 2	BRIAN G. WARWICK 6
†MICHAEL W. BROWN .. 3	BRIAN M. SMITH 7
KEITH H. MILDRED 4	ROLAND H. COOK Tenor

Composed by E. MAURICE ATKINS. Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.
 * First peal. † First of Major.

WALKERVILLE SURPRISE MAJOR

x 38 x 4 x 1258 x 16 x 14 x 3 x 12 x 7

2nds place l.-e. 5738264. 4ths place bob.

Composition is that for Turramurra Surprise in 'R.W.' October 13th, 1961, p. 692.

FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

MARSTON, OXFORDSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Dec. 16, 1961, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Five callings.	Tenor 6 cwt., approx.
ANDREW J. DUNKLEY .. Treble	*ALFRED SMITH 3
ALEC GAMMON 2	ROY H. JONES 4
NOEL D. DEAM Tenor	

Conducted by NOEL D. DEAM.

* First peal attempt.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam Professor V. T. Harlow, C.M.G., Professor of Commonwealth History at Oxford and vicar's warden at this church.

PONTEFRAC, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 6, 1962, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being ten different callings.	Tenor 12½ cwt. in F sharp.
*RICHARD HARKER .. Treble	†CHRISTOPHER HOLMES .. 4
†FRANK GLEDHILL 2	†GEORGE DYSON 5
†JOHN A. SYKES 3	*GORDON BROOK Tenor

Conducted by JOHN A. SYKES.

* First peal. † First in the method.

SUTTON, MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.
THE CHERESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Jan. 9, 1962, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.

A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Capel T.B., Sandal T.B., London Scholars' T.B., Kingston T.B. and Kent T.B.	Tenor 12½ cwt.
MRS. C. W. LAWTON .. Treble	P. W. HORN 4
*A. W. LAWTON 2	J. WORTH 5
C. W. LAWTON 3	J. W. WHITTAKER Tenor

Conducted by J. WORTH.

* First peal of Treble Bob, and first in seven methods.

Rung fully-muffled in memoriam Norman Meakin, ringer at this church for over 30 years.

LYDIARD MILLICENT, WILTSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 13, 1962, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being 20 methods, in the following seven extents: (1) Fulbeck, Reverse Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob and Double Bob; (2) Double Oxford, Thelwall, Pinehurst, St. Clement's, Childwall and Buxton; (3) London Bob, Lytham, Westlecott, College, Wavertree and Rodbourne; (4) Cambridge; (5) Kent T.B.; (6) Oxford T.B.; (7) Double Bob and Plain Bob.	Tenor 10 cwt.
THOMAS R. COLLINS .. Treble	*HOWARD OGLESBY 4
*RONALD K. RUSS 2	ANTHONY R. PEAKE 5
*CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. 3	VICTOR GRIFFIN Tenor

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

* First peal in 20 methods.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. A. T. Collins and Miss A. Pettiford, married this day at Blunsdon, Wilts.

SAXILBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
 (West Lindsey Branch.)

On Sat., Jan. 13, 1962, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH.

A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MINOR

In 14 methods, being the following extents: (1) Ockley and Duke of Norfolk T.B., (2) College Exercise and Norbury T.B., (3) Capel and Sandal T.B., (4) London Scholars' Pleasure and Kingston T.B., (5) Double Oxford and Thelwall, (6) St. Clement's and Childwall, (7) Double Bob and Fulbeck; 143 changes of method.	Tenor 12 cwt.
*PAMELA COX Treble	*JOHN M. BLAIR 4
*DELIA SMITH 2	GEORGE E. FEIRN 5
G. LESLIE A. LUNN 3	A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. FEIRN.

* First peal in 14 methods. First spliced peal rung by a Branch band.

WINWICK, HUNTINGDON.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 13, 1962, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In five methods, being eight extents each of Reverse St. Bartholomew, St. Simon, St. Martin and Grandsire, and ten of Plain Bob.

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb.	
JOHN W. ALLEN Treble	CLIVE SMITH 3
MAUREEN ALLEN 2	LUCY ALLEN 4
R. FRANK BAKER Tenor	

Conducted by R. FRANK BAKER.

WINTERTON, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Jan. 18, 1962, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor 8 cwt.	
*ARTHUR C. COOPER .. Treble	WILLIAM B. DUNCAN 4
†BARBARA SMEDLEY 2	A. WILLIAM BIRD 5
†ALFRED N. FULCHER .. 3	H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. Tenor

Conducted by H. WILLIAM BARRETT.

* First peal. † First of Minor.

ERITH, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Jan. 19, 1962, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Tenor 15 cwt. in G.	
JOAN BERESFORD Treble	†BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 4
*FREDERICK J. CULLUM .. 2	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY .. 5
MARTIN L. HOWE 3	TREVOR A. CROSS Tenor

Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.

* First peal of Minor. † 100th peal for the Association. The ringer of the second has now rung Cambridge from Minor to Maximus.

COLWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.	Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 10 lb. in A.
*DAVID MURCOTT .. Treble	CYNTHIA BIBBY 4
RICHARD J. WARRILLOW .. 2	IAN FRIEND 5
†FRANK BEECH, JUN. .. 3	ROBERT J. WARRILLOW .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT J. WARRILLOW.

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

DENBY, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 32 extents and five 240's.	Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb.
PERCY WESTON .. Treble	GWYNETH K. HARRISON .. 4
K. JOHN FAULKNER 2	DAVID W. PARKIN 5
*DAVID W. CAMM 3	*JOHN A. DODD Tenor

Conducted by DAVID W. PARKIN.

* First peal.

GREAT HALE, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in six methods: (1) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (2) Cambridge Surprise, (3) Oxford Treble Bob, (4 and 5) Kent Treble Bob, (6 and 7) Plain Bob.	Tenor 12 cwt.
DAPHNE P. BROWN .. Treble	J. MARTIN THORLEY 4
KEITH R. DAVEY 2	FRANK TAYLOR 5
DEREK A. DAVIS 3	ALAN G. PAYNE Tenor

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

A birthday compliment to Mrs. G. T. Brown.

GOOSTREY, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.		Tenor 6 cwt.	
GERALD PARSONS	Treble	HENRY PARKER	4
A. DOREEN EDWARDS	2	VICTOR NEAL	5
CHRISTOPHER J. REES	3	HARRY W. HOWARD	Tenor

Conducted by HARRY W. HOWARD.

HAMMERWOOD, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being eight 120's each of (1) All Saints', (2) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, (3) Reverse St. Bartholomew, (4) ten of Grandsire and (5) eight of Plain Bob.		Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in B flat.	
*C. JANE SMART	Treble	†M. PETER HOWARD	3
†DEREK SLATER	2	JOHN A. HOWARD	4
FRANK H. HICKS	Tenor		

Conducted by FRANK H. HICKS.

* First peal. † First in five methods. First on the bells since tuning and rehanging exactly three years ago.

HELMDON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 6 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents in ten methods, viz.: (1) London and Wells, (2) York and Durham, (3) Beverley and Berwick, (4 and 5) Surfleet and Hexham, (6 and 7) Cambridge and Primrose.		Tenor 10½ cwt.	
MRS. G. SHELLARD	Treble	JAMES LINNELL	4
BARRY E. SAUNDERS	2	GEORGE W. HOLLAND	5
CHARLES E. TRUMAN	3	WILLIAM A. YATES	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM A. YATES.

First peal of Spliced Surprise Minor by all the band.

HITCHAM, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Hitcham Delight, Single Oxford, Oxford T.B., Reverse Canterbury, Kent T.B., Plain Bob and St. Clement's.		Tenor 6 cwt. 11 lb. in B flat.	
*NEIL BELSON	Treble	GORDON W. LIMMER	4
†PAMELA M. JERVIS	2	*GEOFFREY RIGLAR	5
ROYSTON BLACKLER	3	HOWARD OGLESBY	Tenor

Conducted by HOWARD OGLESBY.

* First peal of Minor. † First in seven methods 'inside.'

HOAR CROSS, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY ANGELS,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents, each called differently.		Tenor 28 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in D.	
RONALD G. BECK	Treble	VICTOR SAVAGE	4
DAVID TARGET	2	DAVID HOARE	5
§ ARTHUR READ	3	ERIC NAYLOR	Tenor

Conducted by ERIC NAYLOR.

KESSINGLAND, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In three methods, being 14 extents each of Plain Bob, Grandsire and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob.		Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. in F sharp.	
*HARVEY L. MEADOWS	Treble	†MICHAEL J. PARKER	3
THOMAS J. BROCK	2	NORMAN P. J. COSSEY	4
RICHARD C. L. BROWN	Tenor		

Conducted by MICHAEL J. PARKER.

* First peal. † First as conductor away from the tenor.
Rung in honour of the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin T. Chapman, of Spalding.

KIPPAX, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(St. Peter's, Leeds, Society.)
On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.		Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in F sharp.	
STUART J. CORSON	Treble	ARNOLD COLE	4
GRACE M. BEARDOW	2	RONALD H. DOVE	5
ANTHONY E. STAMP	3	C. BARRIE DOVE	Tenor

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

LOWER HEYFORD, OXFORDSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being three extents of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob and four of Plain Bob.		Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb. in B flat.	
*ALEC W. IVINGS	Treble	ANTHONY K. FORTIN	4
†MARK W. SAYERS	2	MICHAEL W. COLEMAN	5
*JOHN E. SAYERS	3	CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE	Tenor

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE.

* First peal of Minor. † First of Minor 'inside.'
Rung for the 81st anniversary of the founding of the Oxford Diocesan Guild; also for the birth of a daughter to Roger and Susan Gardner.

ROTHLEY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Syston District.)

On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST AND MARY-THE-VIRGIN,
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven different extents.		Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in F.	
*MICHAEL G. GODWIN	Treble	MALCOLM D. BARSBY	4
RUPERT A. CLARKE	2	J. RICHARD PERKINS	5
DAVID F. MOORE	3	B. STEDMAN PAYNE	Tenor

Conducted by B. STEDMAN PAYNE.

* First peal.

STEBBING, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,
A PEAL OF 5040 GLASTONBURY DELIGHT MINOR

Being seven extents.		Tenor 10 cwt. in G.	
PATRICK W. SALTmarsh	Treble	DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS	4
*JOE E. G. ROAST	2	PETER J. EVES	5
IVAN J. M. SAUNDERS	3	HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE	Tenor

Conducted by JOE E. G. ROAST.

* 100th tower for a peal. First in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

THURLASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD
(Hinckley District.)

On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 3 Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor 15½ cwt.			
*PAUL WRIGHT	Treble	JILL PICKERING	4
*LESLIE PICKERING	2	GEORGE PICKERING	5
*BRIAN PICKERING	3	GEORGE A. NEWTON	Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE A. NEWTON.

* First peal.
Rung as a tribute to the late Joseph Taylor, 25 years parish clerk and 35 years Ringing Master at this church.

HANDBELL PEAL

HALIFAX, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Jan. 20, 1962, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,
At 9, FIRST AVENUE, HALIFAX,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 16 in B.			
JOHN F. BRYANT	1-2	GEOFFREY F. BRYANT	5-6
J. HENRY FIELDEN	3-4	J. NEVILLE PARKIN	7-8

Composed and Conducted by J. HENRY FIELDEN.

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HALF PEAL

LLANELLY, BRECONS.—On Jan. 5th, 2,520 Doubles: Monica Bennett 1, P. Saunders 2, G. Ward (cond.) 3, T. Collings 4, R. Hatcher 5, C. Lewis 6. Longest length 1 and 4. Rung in honour of the induction of Rev. T. Avery Williams.

LONG LENGTH

CRADLEY, WORCS.—On Jan. 13th, 2,160 Plain Bob Minor: J. Vallender 1, M. D. Fellows 2, P. L. Bili 3, P. J. Brown 4, G. Westwood 5, M. J. Fellows (cond.) 6. Rung on the Feast of St. Hilary, Bishop and Confessor.

ALWALTON, HUNTS.—On Jan. 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: G. Oliver 1, B. Branton 2, G. Davis 3, A. Waller 4, F. Sisney (cond.) 5. For the 81st birthday of Dr. Grimes, retired Archdeacon of Northampton.

BAKEWELL, DERBYS.—On Jan. 20th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor (6, 8 covering): D. McMillan 1, D. Blackwell 2, E. Hutchinson 3, H. C. Smith 4, L. Bateman 5, C. Coniam 6, C. Bateman (cond.) 7, B. Bateman 8. Rung by the Sunday service band prior to the farewell service for the Vicar, the Rt. Rev. G. Sinker, on his appointment as Provost of Birmingham Cathedral.

BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.—On Jan. 14th, 1,260 Doubles (St. Martin's, St. Simon's, Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss M. Whitney 1, W. R. Chandler 2, R. J. Brown 3, V. J. C. Dale 4, Miss B. Fisher (first in four methods as cond.) 5. For Matins.

BIRCH-IN-RUSHOLME, MANCHESTER.—On Jan. 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Boucher 1, Mrs. E. D. Fearnough 2, G. F. Nix 3, Miss P. J. Walker 4, G. D. Fearnough 5, P. Watson (cond.) 6.

BURES, SUFFOLK.—On Dec. 10th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: B. G. C. L. Clamplin (first quarter) 1, Mrs. L. D. Mills 2, A. R. Bridges 3, Miss E. R. M. Cansdale 4, D. W. Brooks 5, A. W. Cansdale 6, L. D. Mills 7, D. L. Mills (cond.) 8. Rung for baptism of Rosemary Alice Bridges, daughter of ringer of 3rd.

CASTLE EATON, WILTS.—On Jan. 21st, 1,320 London Surprise Minor: M. R. Stanley 1, Mrs. L. J. Bladen 2, B. Cox (first in method) 3, B. Bladen (cond.) 4, A. R. Peake 5, R. E. G. Lutton 6.

ERDINGTON, WARWICKS.—On Jan. 20th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Margaret Turner 1, John Inley 2, James Inley 3, D. Ingram 4, J. McDonald (cond.) 5, A. Ager 6. First of Surprise for 2 and 3.

FARDISLEY, HEREFORDS.—On Jan. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss M. Stephens 1, R. Hatcher (cond.) 2, R. Chillingford 3, N. Istance 4, F. Sandford 5, J. Hone 6. Rung to mark the enthronement of Dr. M. Hodson as Bishop of Hereford.

EDGBASTON, BIRMINGHAM.—On Jan. 21st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss L. Reeves 1, Miss L. H. Smith 2, Mrs. B. M. W. Dobbie 3, Miss R. C. Russell 4, F. E. Haynes (cond.) 5, R. J. Tingley 6, A. Timmins 7, T. R. Russell 8. First of Major for 1, 2 and 6.

FARNBOROUGH, HANTS.—On Jan. 21st, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: C. Allen 1, W. W. Wright 2, Beryl E. Simpson 3, V. M. Cox 4, D. P. Treble 5, P. Joyce (first of Plain Bob as cond.) 6. For Evening.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.—At St. Nicolas' Church, on Jan. 20th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: A. R. Millidge 1, Cherry White 2, Ann M. Cox 3, C. D. Emery (first of Major) 4, B. J. Bull 5, A. Clayton 6, A. S. Bishop 7, C. F. Mew (cond.) 8.

HEVERSHAM, WESTMORLAND.—On Jan. 12th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Miss D. I. Nelson 1, Miss D. J. Perrins 2, P. Handley 3, W. G. Wilson 4, T. Metcalf 5, G. E. Braithwaite (cond.) 6. In memoriam William Handley, one time ringer at this tower, and also a farewell to Sylvia Walti, member of the band.

HOLBEACH, Lincs.—On Jan. 21st, 1,260 Kent and Plain Bob Minor: Julie Vellam 1, A. Marshall 2, R. D. Bailey 3, D. A. Davies 4, R. B. Sanders 5, K. R. Davey (cond.) 6.

LEEDS, YORKS.—At the Church of St. Matthias, Burley, on Dec. 2nd, 1,260 Spliced Minor (six methods): W. Bradbury 1, M. G. Swift 2, W. R. Read 3, W. J. Couperthwaite 4, F. K. Williamson 5, D. Niblett (cond.) 6. Also on Jan. 21st, 1,296 Surprise Minor (Cambridge and Norwich): J. Gee 1, W. J. Couperthwaite 2, Miss F. Fairbank 3, M. G. Swift 4, W. Bradbury 5, W. R. Read (cond.) 6. Rung to celebrate the birth of a daughter to Dr. and Mrs. D. Niblett.

LEICESTER.—At the Prebendal Church of St. Margaret, on Jan. 21st, 1,260 Minor (Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob): G. H. Bray 1, T. G. Still 2, T. H. Bent 3, E. Morris 4, G. W. Mason 5, R. K. Mason (first quarter as cond.) 6. For morning service.

QUARTER PEALS

LEIRE, LEICS.—On Jan. 10th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Dorothy Page 1, Jennifer Stratford 2, Rita Stratford 3, Christine Stratford 4, Mrs. M. E. Brown 5, Dorothy Stratford (cond.) 6. All are members of Sapote Sunday service band.

LIMPSFIELD, SURREY.—On Jan. 21st, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): Margaret Smith 1, M. Wall 2, E. Jarrett 3, A. Terry 4, E. Nixon (cond.) 5, G. Walker (first quarter) 6. For evening service.

LLANDAFF, GLAM.—At the Cathedral, on Jan. 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Shan Williams (first of Triples) 1, D. S. Bishop (first of Triples) 2, W. J. Goodfellow 3, P. J. Shipton 4, N. A. James 5, N. W. H. Simon (first of Triples as cond.) 6, R. King 7, A. W. Smith 8. For Evensong.

LONDON.—At St. Clement Dances, on Jan. 21st, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: A. Gargrave 1, Miss A. Lowings 2, J. Carrott 3, Miss J. Peacock 4, S. Penfold 5, F. G. Richardson 6, A. Grainger 7, J. Fowler 8, T. East 9, F. V. Gant (cond.) 10. For Matins.

MARKET BOSWORTH, LEICS.—On Jan. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Price 1, H. Hollis 2, J. Hodgetts 3, N. Statham 4, K. Chambers 5, K. Proudman (first 'inside') 6, J. W. Rawson (cond.) 7, J. Hatton (first quarter) 8. First on 8 bells by local band. Rung half muffled as a token of respect to William Henson, 91 years, of Market Bosworth.

MEARE, SOMERSET.—On Jan. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Jean Palmer 1, L. R. G. Taylor 2, A. F. Lee 3, D. J. Barnett 4, T. J. Milsom 5, C. J. A. Brown (first of Minor as cond.) 6.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE.—On Jan. 7th, at St. James', Benwell, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss I. Thomson 1, M. Maughan 2, A. Wallace 3, C. S. Dixon 4, F. Ross (cond.) 5, S. Barrow 6. For Evensong.

NORBURY (Hazel Grove), CHESHIRE.—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Major: Kathleen Pilsbury (first quarter) 1, S. Williamson 2, Eileen Fearn 3, Carol Fernley 4, J. Gilden 5, P. Dale 6, B. Jones (cond.) 7, B. Harris 8. For Evensong.

NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.—On Jan. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. L. Taylor 1, E. D. Elderkin 2, J. R. Goodenough 3, A. S. Harrison 4, H. N. Evans (cond.) 5, M. M. Powell 6. Rung for Evensong, by members of S.U.G.C.R.

OCKHAM, SURREY.—On Jan. 14th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Grandsire): Miss J. Warner 1, Miss P. Drury 2, C. Webb 3, H. Colcombe 4, J. Martin (cond.) 5. For morning service.

PACKWOOD, WARWICKS.—On Dec. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Jennifer S. Hill 1, R. E. Tallis jun. (cond.) 2, Mary S. Thorling 3, R. G. Morris 4, V. H. Nash 5, Pamela M. Turner 6. For carol service. Also on Dec. 24th, 1,260 Minor (Plain Bob, Little Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Treble Bob): R. E. Tallis 1, M. C. Hughes 2, V. H. Nash 3, Pamela M. Turner 4, P. J. Rothera 5, R. E. Tallis jun. (cond.) 6, Jennifer S. Hill (covering). For Matins. Also on Christmas Day, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: M. C. Hughes 1, R. E. Tallis 2, Pamela M. Turner 3, V. H. Nash 4, P. J. Rothera 5, R. E. Tallis jun. (cond.) 6.

QUEENBOROUGH, LEICS.—On Dec. 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob, Grandsire and St. Bartholomew's Boubles: Mrs. F. Fagg 1, W. A. Wood (cond.) 2, S. Rayfield 3, H. Gardner 4, F. Fagg 5, Mrs. Croall 6. Rung for the Christmas festival, and a welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Fagg.

PENARTH, GLAM.—On Jan. 3rd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: E. J. R. Hartley 1, W. J. Goodfellow 2, A. F. R. Hartley 3, N. W. H. Simon 4, R. G. Havand 5, B. A. Taylor 6, M. Peterson (cond.) 7, R. King 8.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.—On Jan. 21st, at St. Andrew's Church, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: W. G. Lavers 1, Miss Y. C. Porter 2, H. W. Milford 3, F. E. Day 4, H. F. Myers 5, A. W. Myers 6, D. R. Bould 7, T. G. Myers (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.—On Jan. 14th, 1,260 Hereward Bob Triples: F. May 1, G. Sandwell 2, M. Sinden 3, D. Belcham 4, M. Hallett 5, R. Tomlin 6, A. House (cond.) 7, W. Ward 8. For Evensong.

SALISBURY, WILTS.—On Jan. 2nd, at St. Paul's, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Angela J. Williams (first of minor) 1, Mrs. I. A. Abrahams 2, Rev. R. Keeley 3, E. C. Read 4, J. E. Daniels 5, H. H. Abrahams (cond.) 6.

SHIRLEY, WARWICKS.—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Jane Shaw 1, R. Henebury 2, V. A. Hemming (cond.) 3, Judy Robinson 4, C. D. Baugh 5, G. Bailey 6, V. G. Nash 7, N. Smith 8.

SILSOE, BEDS.—On Dec. 24th, 1,020 Grandsire Doubles, 240 Plain Bob Doubles: Linda Halfpenny 1, Ann Culpin 2, P. J. Lawton 3, T. P. Harris

4, D. R. Brazier (cond.) 5, G. M. Wood 6. For the Midnight Eucharist. Also on Jan. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. V. Grace 1, Ann Culpin 2, Mrs. C. D. Mann 3, P. J. Lawton 4, C. D. Mann 5, T. P. Harris (cond.) 6. A welcome to the Rev. R. d'E. A. Byrne, Vicar-designate of Silsoe. Also on Jan. 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: F. W. Bunker 1, M. V. Grace 2, T. P. Harris 3, C. M. Payne (cond.) 4, C. D. Mann 5, G. Wood 6. Rung to mark the induction of the new Vicar.

SLOUGH, BUCKS.—On Jan. 7th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: Elizabeth T. Birmingham (first quarter) 1, W. Birmingham 2, J. F. Bowler (first 'inside') 3, Pamela M. Jervis 4, F. R. Scott 5, W. D. Ward 6, J. K. Ward 7, D. P. Hilling (cond.) 8. Rung for the service of lessons and carols, and a compliment to Reg Foster (Iver), whose daughter, Marian, was baptised this day, a quarter peal for whom at Iver came to grief earlier.

SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss K. Burchall 1, Miss G. Burchall (cond.) 2, N. Moxen 3, J. Read 4, E. Rose 5, B. Hough 6, A. Wilson 7, R. Mumford 8. For Midnight Mass.

TEWKESBURY, GLOS.—On Jan. 6th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Pauline F. Smith 1, M. Anne Broxton 2, M. T. Sprackling 3, A. H. Smith 4, A. J. Smith (cond.) 5, A. E. Leach 6. Rung prior to the christening of Caroline Mary Smith.

TORQUAY, DEVON.—On Jan. 19th, at the Church of St. Saviour, Tor Mohun, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: K. E. Fursdon 1, W. J. Harvey 2, P. A. Lock 3, F. White 4, D. J. Roberts (cond.) 5, W. Simmonds 6. First of Minor for 1 and 5.

TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.—On Jan. 7th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Carol Ritchens (first of Minor) 1, A. F. Lee (cond.) 2, D. J. Barnett 3, Jacqueline A. Reason 4, J. J. Jefferies 5, T. J. Milsom 6. For the Feast of Epiphany. Also on Jan. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (with 7, 6, 8 covering): Diana Chapman (first quarter) 1, Jacqueline A. Reason 2, Patricia A. Burt (first as cond.) 3, D. J. Barnett 4, T. J. Milsom 5, Eileen Elliott 6, J. W. Isaacs 7, A. E. Lee 8.

TWYNING, GLOS.—On Dec. 23rd, 1,260 Rushall Bob Doubles: D. K. Penn 1, Anne M. Broxton 2, M. Hawkes (cond.) 3, A. Halling 4, E. W. Penn 5, L. Woolley 6. Believed to be the first quarter peal in this variation.

UXBRIDGE, MIDD.—On Jan. 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. R. Gotham 1, Mrs. E. R. Gotham 2, D. G. Rowlands 3, C. Aldridge 4, F. H. Corke 5, Jennifer Reeve 6, H. W. Impey (cond.) 7, F. Bedford 8. For Evensong.

WARNHAM, SUSSEX.—On Jan. 21st, 1,260 Doubles (Southrepps and Plain Bob): Miss B. Mainstone 1, Miss I. Cocher 2, Miss D. Mullins 3, J. Nelson 4, G. Francis (cond.) 5, M. I. Davey (first quarter) 6. First in two methods for 2, 3 and 4. For Evensong.

WATERINGBURY, KENT.—On Dec. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss K. Bennett 1, V. Lincoln (first quarter) 2, F. Manser 3, W. R. Manser (cond.) 4, A. Perriman 5, D. J. Cheeseman (first quarter) 6. **WEST WICKHAM, KENT.**—On Jan. 10th, 1,320 Surprise Minor (Beverly and Ipswich): A. S. Richards 1, L. W. G. Skinner 2, J. D. Faircloth 3, N. Martin 4, D. Manger 5, A. M. Macev (cond.) 6.

WHATTON, NOTTS.—On Jan. 13th, 1,440 Minor (London Surprise, Cambridge Surprise): T. G. Goodin 1, Beryl N. Reed 2, B. M. Buswell 3, C. W. Reed 4, J. D. Clarke (cond.) 5, W. L. Exton 6. Rung following a peal attempt to welcome Timothy John, son of Pam and David Clarke.

WOINSTANTON, STAFFS.—On Jan. 14th, 1,260 Kent Treble Bob Major: D. R. Whalley (cond.) 1, Miss E. M. Snell 2, T. L. Walley 3, Miss P. Robinson 4, A. Thompson 5, G. W. Biddulph 6, P. S. Whalley 7, E. H. Edge 8. First Treble Bob 2, 3 and 4. Rung on the occasion of Miss P. Robinson leaving for college, and for evening service.

WOODFORD, NORTHANTS.—On Jan. 19th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss G. Harris 1, F. Crosier 2, F. Coales 3, V. A. Headland 4, J. Groom (cond.) 5, D. Maudlin 6. First quarter 1 and 6. A birthday compliment to Miss D. C. H. Gibson.

WYCHBOLD, WORCS.—On Jan. 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Sheila McDougall 1, Jean M. Baker 2, T. W. Herbert (first quarter) 3, J. E. Pullon (cond.) 4, P. Cattermole 5, B. M. Gittins 6. Rung for family service. A welcome back to the Vicar, who has been ill, also a farewell quarter for Jimmy Pullon, who is leaving for Kempey.

YEOVIL, SOMERSET.—On Jan. 20th, 1,287 Stedman Caters: K. E. Pinney 1, R. J. Fox 2, G. Gaylard 3, J. E. Looker 4, T. E. Marks 5, Rev. C. J. B. Marshall 6, H. J. Gaylard (cond.) 7, W. E. Turner 8, T. J. Setter 9, J. Cornelius 10. Rung to mark the enthronement of the Lord Bishop of Hereford.

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ENGAGEMENT

FINCH—WINCHESTER.—The engagement is announced between Raymond, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Finch, of Farnborough, Hants, and Jeanette, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Winchester, of Beddington, Surrey. 9595

RETURN THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. J. METCALFE express their thanks to the ringers who rang the bells of Scorton Parish Church for the wedding of their daughter, Gladys, to Mr. W. Farnworth on January 6th, 1962. 9600

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

HEIGHTON.—From February 1st the address of Dr. and Mrs. D. Heighton will be c/o Lowestoft and North Suffolk Hospital, Lowestoft, Suffolk. 9602

The address of the Rev. Giles Galley is now St. Nicholas' House, King's Lynn, Norfolk (Tel.: King's Lynn 2624). 9592

The address of Mr. Philip Mehew is now 37, Vaughan Road, Stotfold, Hitchin, Hertfordshire. 9575

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MISCELLANEOUS

BRISTOL, ST. STEPHEN'S.—Commencing February, the weekly practice will be held on Wednesdays, 7.30 p.m. (except first Wednesday in each month, when the usual peal attempt will be made). 9582

PIPE'S PILGRIMS' tour of Somerset and Devon, August 5th to 11th: 40 good towers, superb scenery and seaside. Pleasant company and good ringing.—Apply to C. W. Pipe, Grundisburgh, Woodbridge, Suffolk. S.A.E. please. 9578

RINGERS VISITING FOLKESTONE District between July 14th and 21st, who are interested in visiting towers, please contact S. J. Corson, 23, Ash Grove, Leeds 6. 9574

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.—Practice, Saturday, February 10th, 6-7.30 p.m. All welcome. 9488

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MEETINGS

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YORTHS.—Business meeting at 'The Rising Sun,' Carter Lane, E.C., on Saturday, February 3rd, at 6 p.m. There will be no practice at Southwark Cathedral on Tuesday, January 30th. Will members please note the following: June 23rd, ringing day in Bristol to include luncheon and business meeting. November 3rd, the 325th anniversary dinner will be held at the Bridge House Restaurant, London Bridge, S.E.1. Full details of both occasions will be published later.—John Chilcott. 9549

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Dunster Branch.—Ten bell practice at Minehead, February 3rd, 6.30 p.m.—A. R. Tudball. 9605

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Meeting at Fordham on Saturday, February 3rd, Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—D. F. Murfet, Dis. Sec. 9537

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leatherhead District.—The meeting to transact the annual business will be held at Leatherhead on February 3rd, Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea, followed by business meeting in Parish Hall, 5 p.m. Numbers for tea to G. Mariner, 6, Leach Grove, Leatherhead.—A. H. Smith. 9518

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—Monthly practice, Simpson, Saturday, February 3rd, Bells (6) from 5.30 p.m. 9548

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Next meeting, Handsworth, February 3rd, Bells (8) available from 3.30 p.m. Treton (6) also available 2.30-4.30 p.m. Tea in Handsworth Parish Centre at 5 p.m. Names to J. J. L. Gilbert, 56, Glencoe Road, Sheffield 2.—J. Seager. 9546

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Ringing for annual dinner on February 3rd: St. Dunstan's, Stepney, 11 a.m.-12.30 p.m.; St. Michael's, Cornhill, 1-2.15; St. Lawrence Jewry, 2.30-3.30; St. Giles', Cripplegate, 3.45-5 p.m. Tickets are still available from I. V. Zass-Ogilvie, 131, Camberwell Road, S.E.5. 9527

SUFFOLK GUILD.—A meeting of the S.E. District will be held at Woodbridge (8) on Saturday, February 3rd, Ringing 2.15 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., at Deben Tea Rooms. Notifications for tea, please, to C. R. Lovett, Meadow View, Grundisburgh.—C. R. Lovett. 9541

SUFFOLK GUILD.—S.W. District.—Practice meeting at Assington (6), Saturday, February 3rd, Bells 6.30 to 9 p.m. Everyone welcome.—Evelyn Cansdale, Dis. Sec. 9534

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—Annual Divisional meeting, Cuckfield, Saturday, February 3rd, Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. Hairs, Norman Cottage, Park Corner, Groombridge, T.N. 438. 9533

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Winchester District.—The annual meeting will be held at New Alresford on Saturday, February 3rd, Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 4.45 p.m., for those who notify.—P. Dickinson, Riverbank Cottage, Cheriton, near Alresford, Hants. 9554

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practice meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube station) on Monday, February 5th, at 7 p.m. 9577

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—Friday, February 9th, 7.30 p.m., practice meeting at Corston. All members and friends welcome.—B. Johnson. 9580

BARNESLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting held at Thornhill, near Dewsbury, on Saturday, February 10th, Bells 2.30 p.m. Tea 3s. 6d. Please notify, not later than February 5th, Mr. Dvson, Scargill, Sher Lea, Chapel Lane, Thornhill, Dewsbury. 9604

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Annual general meeting, Holy Trinity Church, Hull, Saturday, February 10th. Please note special arrangements. Bells (12) 2 p.m. Service 3.15. Business meeting in Choir Boys'

Vestry 4, followed by tea in Manor Cafe. Evening ringing to 9.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday to Mr. F. G. Reed, 127, Holmgarth Drive, Hull. 9573

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade District.—Meeting, Clifton, February 10th, Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. St. Clement's and Cambridge. Come and enjoy the ringing and tea.—A. Smith, Dis. Sec. 9601

CHESTER GUILD.—Grappenhall Branch.—A meeting will be held at Runcorn on Saturday, February 10th, Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—C. Raddon. 9596

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wirral Branch.—Annual general meeting, St. Saviour's, Oxtion, Birkenhead, February 10th, Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 5.15 p.m. Tea free for those notifying by Thursday previous. 14th annual dinner, entertainment and dance, Coach and Horses Inn, Moreton February 24th, 5.30 p.m.-12 midnight. Tickets (£1 each) now available.—Alexander J. Martin, 19, Falcon Road, Birkenhead. 9606

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—Sunderland (St. Ignatius'), Saturday, February 10th, 3 p.m. Names for tea by February 7th to Mr. F. Ainsley, 30, Aysgarth Avenue, Grangetown, Sunderland. 9593

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cambridge District.—Meeting at Trumpington on Saturday, February 10th, Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock.—E. W. Bullman, Dis. Sec. 9584

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Swindon Branch.—Meeting, February 10th, St. Mark's (8). Names for tea.—R. Luton, 169, Cheney Manor Road, Swindon.

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leominster District.—Annual meeting at Leominster on February 10th, Bells (10) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea after service.—J. F. Fox, Hon. Sec. 9589

LADIES' GUILD.—Southern District.—Annual District meeting, Saturday, February 10th, Frensham, Surrey (6), 2.45 p.m. Service 3.45. Tea and business, Farnham, 5.15. St. Andrew's, Farnham (8), 6.30-8 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. C. Harbott, 20, The Street, Ashted, Surrey. 9563

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—Meeting at Todmorden Unitarian Church on Saturday, February 10th, Bells (8) 3 p.m. Business 6 p.m. Cups of tea.—J. P. Partington, Branch Sec. 9583

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—Meeting at Broughton, Saturday, February 10th, Names for tea, please, by Wednesday, 7th, to Mr. J. Jolleys, Church Cottage, Broughton, Preston, A.6 road. Buses 130, 140, 142, 145, 150 pass the church. Bus P.2 from town centre to Lightfoot Lane.—L. Walmsley. 9599

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Furness & Lake District Branch.—Meeting, Kirkby-in-Furness, Saturday, February 10th, 2.30 p.m. Names to Rev. C. E. Whitaker, The Vicarage, Backside, Kirkby-in-Furness. 9603

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Quarterly general meeting in Loughborough District, Saturday, February 10th, Bells available: Whitwick (8) 2-3 p.m.; Oaks-in-Charnwood (6) 2.30-3.15; Shepshed (8) 3-3.45; Loughborough, All Saints', (10) 3-4.10 and 6.30-8; Bell Foundry (10) 6.30-8.30. Service, Loughborough, All Saints', 4.15. Tea (followed by meeting) in Fearon Hall, 4.45 p.m. Names for tea to Miss Gillian Doggett, 8, Albert Place, Loughborough, by Feb. 8th. Nominations for general officers and Central Council delegates, and any proposed alterations to rules must be received by this meeting (Rules 5 (a), 7 and 16). General Committee meeting, St. John's Vestry, Albion Street, Leicester, Feb. 7th at 7.45 p.m.—B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen. Sec. 9567

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.—Monmouth Branch.—Annual meeting at St. Mellons, February 10th, Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business. Name, please, to Mr. R. Addis, 'Maesycoed,' St. Mellons, Mon. 9558

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.—N. and E. District.—Annual District meeting on Saturday, February 10th, at All Saints', Edmonton, not Kingsbury, Ringing 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5, followed by business meeting and evening ringing until 8.30 p.m. Good attendance, please.—D. T. C. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec. 9576

MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.—Next meeting, Newhall, Saturday, February 10th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Short service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5.15 p.m. All ringers welcome. 9581

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Branch.—Annual meeting, Loddon, February 10th. Bells (8) 2 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, February 7th, certain please, to Mr. H. W. Barrett, 'Fernhill,' Bungay Road, Loddon, Norwich, NOR21W.—P. Newstead, Branch Sec. 9519

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Reading Branch.—A.G.M. at Reading, Saturday, February 10th. St. Giles' (8) 3-4 p.m.; St. Laurence's (12) 3.45-4.30 and after meeting; St. Mary's (8) 7-8.30. Service 4.30 at St. Laurence's. Names for tea by February 7th to Mr. V. T. Cherrill, 14, Chiltern Crescent, Erleigh Court, Reading. 9585

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Witney and Woodstock Branch.—A.G.M. at Hanborough (6) on February 10th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea reservations by February 7th to David Smith, High Cogges, Witney, Oxon. 9588

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Meeting, Staverton, Saturday, February 10th. Names for tea to Mrs. C. Hall, Church Street, Staverton, near Daventry, by Tuesday previous. —F. W. Hancock. 9590

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Devizes Branch.—The monthly meeting at Bromham is on February 10th, not February 3rd.—A. Knight. 9594

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Meeting at Chetwynd (6) and Edmond (6) on February 10th. Afternoon ringing, service and tea at Edmond; evening ringing at Chetwynd. Times as usual. Names for tea to H. R. Toogood, Fern Court, Rock Lane, Edmond, Newport, by the previous Wednesday. 9586

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Notts District.—Meeting at Tuxford (not Gamston), Saturday, February 10th. Cafe close to church. Good bus service.—H. Denman. 9598

SUFFOLK GUILD.—North West District.—Practice meeting at Rougham (6), Saturday, February 10th. Bells 6.30 to 9 p.m.—A. F. Ballam, Dis. Sec. 9552

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—Annual Divisional meeting at Chichester (8) on Saturday, February 10th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 5.15. Tea 6 p.m. Names for tea to E. W. Keys, Greystones, Salthill Road, Fishbourne, Chichester, by previous Wednesday. 9579

UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM SOCIETY.—Dinner, February 17th. Tickets (15s. each) from Miss B. Marsh (secretary), Portland Building, University of Nottingham.

SURREY ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS

Notice of Special General Meeting

A Special General Meeting will be held at St. John's, Croydon, on Saturday, February 24th, 1962, for the purpose of considering the proposed merger with the Guildford Diocesan Guild.

Bells will be available at 3 p.m., service at 4.15 p.m., followed by tea. The meeting will commence at 6 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. F. E. Collins, 17, Hamilton Road, Thornton Heath, Surrey, by February 21st, 1962.

Resident members are asked to come and vote on the future of the Association and all other ringers are welcome.

Raymond Parsons,
General Secretary.

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SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD Mansfield District's Annual

This was quite a successful meeting held at Mansfield on January 20th, in spite of 'The Ringing World' advertisement getting caught up in the postal work to rule. Fifty ringers, representing 11 towers, attended, with visitors from Loughborough, Derby, Bawtry and Nottingham.

Ringing commenced just before 3 p.m., after a visit by two policemen who had had a call that the belfry had been broken into. A short Evensong was conducted by the Vicar, Rev. A. M. P. Wilson, who extended a cordial welcome to everyone. Local ladies served an excellent tea at Grove House, with over 40 sitting down.

Mr. S. W. Fossey, the District chairman, presided at the meeting. Three new ringing members, two non-resident life members and one vice-president were elected, viz. Miss C. E. Tyler (Greasley), J. Adcock (Mansfield), M. Redfern (Farnsfield), D. Walklate and A. Bridges (Derby), and Rev. W. E. A. Lound (Cuckney).

The secretary's report showed that there had been steady consolidation in the District during the year, six meetings being held with an average attendance of 41. Ringing members now totalled 78, representing nine of the 13 towers in the District. Cuckney bells had been rehung and now had a band of ringers.

The next meeting was arranged for Teversall on March 24th.

District officers elected for the ensuing year were: Chairman, S. W. Fossey (Mansfield); honorary secretary, D. H. Rooke (Warsop); committee, A. J. Brown (Mansfield Woodhouse) and D. J. Beach (Greasley); Ringing Master, H. T. Rooke (Warsop).

Meetings provisionally arranged were: May, Cuckney (District cup contest), Warsop bells available in the afternoon; July, Sutton-in-Ashfield (joint with East Derbyshire and Notts Association); September, Edwinstowe; November, Mansfield Woodhouse; January, 1963, Mansfield (annual); March, Greasley.

Messrs. H. Denman and W. L. Exton are to be invited to act as judges for the District cup contest. A collection for the Bell Repair Fund realised 19s.

Mr. S. E. Denby, of Mansfield, was nominated as Guild treasurer, as the present treasurer, Mr. W. Nichols, wishes to retire. After the customary votes of thanks ringing was continued until 9 p.m. D. H. R.

HOLY TRINITY, GUILDFORD

Supt. Ronald J. Hagley, captain of the Godalming tower, was among the guests who attended the annual supper of Holy Trinity, Guildford, Society on January 21st. Another visitor who received a cordial welcome was Mrs. Pulling.

The Rev. Cyril G. Pearson, priest-in-charge of the parish, presided, and delighted with stories of amusing incidents from India. Speakers to a short toast list included Messrs. H. A. May (conductor), E. Warner, R. J. Hagley, T. W. White and Miss Janet Cleeve.

At the business meeting, which followed, Mr. S. G. Ponting (honorary secretary), who was responsible for the excellent arrangements, in his annual report stated that five peals had been rung. Mr. D. A. Hughes had rung his first peal and Miss Cleeve her first of Surprise. Ringing arrangements for the induction and institution of the Rev. A. Michael Hocking, of Bristol, as Rector, were discussed. It was decided to attempt a quarter peal previous to the service on March 21st and a peal the following evening. Mr. Clive A. Scott, of Skipton, was elected a member.

Quarter Peals

BATH, SOMERSET.—On Dec. 31st, at the Abbey Church of SS. Peter and Paul, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Stedman and Grandsire): E. Naylor (cond.) 1, S. A. Read 2, J. R. C. Tiley 3, G. J. Hawkins 4, P. Weeks 5, W. Hurford 6, Rung on 1, 2, 3, 6, 8, 10.

BOYNE HILL, MAIDENHEAD.—On Jan. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Blewitt 1, G. Lister 2, G. Gibbs 3, D. Young 4, Doreen Hague 5, J. Blackwood 6, E. Gosling (cond.) 7, J. Norsworthy 8. Rung as a compliment to Kathleen North, tower foreman, and Alan Horne on their engagement.

BRISTOL.—At St. Ambrose's, on Jan. 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Caines (first of Doubles) 1, Gillian Hussey 2, M. J. Hoskins 3, M. J. Hobbs 4, R. G. Hooper (cond.) 5, D. Gore 6. For public baptism.

DAVENTRY, NORTHANTS.—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: G. Bonsor 1, Hillary M. Johnson 2, Elisabeth G. Negus 3, Mary J. Marshall 4, W. Prior 5, H. M. Johnson 6, D. J. Marshall (cond.) 7, P. I. Chapman 8.

DESBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.—On Jan. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. G. Haycock 1, H. Tailby 2, G. Wright 3, B. Haycock 4, Miss S. Feakin 5, B. Yeomans 6, M. A. Coleman (cond.) 7, Mrs. A. Loake 8. For the induction of the Rev. J. H. Barter as Vicar.

EAST FARLEIGH, KENT.—On Jan. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. J. Cheeseman 1, Miss K. Bennett 2, S. Hazelden (cond.) 3, A. Perriman 4, H. H. Osborne 5, M. Baker 6. A farewell to the Vicar, Rev. E. Tennick, on preference to Southborough, near Tunbridge Wells, and a birthday compliment to the conductor.

HURSTPIERPPOINT, SUSSEX.—On Dec. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: N. Wright 1, M. C. Woolbridge 2, J. R. Norris 3, A. M. Humphrey 4, H. W. Brown 5, S. W. Brown (cond.) 6. First of Minor by 1, 2, 3. To welcome the ringer of 4 as a member of the band. Also on Jan. 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Walsh (first quarter of Minor) 1, H. W. Brown 2, N. Wright (first quarter of Minor 'inside') 3, A. M. Humphrey 4, J. R. Norris 5, S. W. Brown (cond.) 6. Rung in honour of Richard George, born on December 30th, son of Rosemary and Stanley Brown, both ringers at this church.

ORMESBY, MIDDLESBROUGH.—On Jan. 17th, 1,280 Superlative Surprise Major: F. Hodgson (cond.) 1, W. Ellerington 2, Mrs. L. Warrior 3, A. Woodall 4, M. Bland 5, R. Jackson 6, T. Cox 7, P. Wishart 8. First quarter in the method 4, 5, 6 and 8.

QUEDGLE, GLOS.—On Dec. 24th, 1,440 Minot (Single Oxford Bob, Plain Bob): Miss A. Cox 1, S. J. Pugh 2, N. R. Waite 3, F. E. T. Tranter 4, C. F. Wixey 5, P. T. Hurcombe (cond.) 6. Rung prior to the Midnight Holy Communion service.

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.—On Dec. 19th, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: W. Ellis 1, M. Sinden 2, R. Tomlin 3, F. May 4, G. Sandwell 5, H. Turner (cond.) 6, M. Hallett 7, A. House 8. First of Yorkshire for 2, 4 and 5. To commemorate the 5th anniversary of the induction of Rev. G. W. Hatch, as Rector of Rayleigh.

STOURBRIDGE, WORCS.—At St. Thomas' Church, on Jan. 14th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. R. Smith 1, Miss T. P. Kemp 2, Miss Y. Edwards 3, G. Westwood 4, M. J. Fellows 5, R. Smith 6, P. W. Webb 7, M. D. Fellows (cond.) 8. A compliment to Paul Webb and Tessa Kemp on their engagement.

STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.—On Jan. 19th, 1,280 Spliced Plain and Little Bob Major: B. Bladon 1, V. Griffin 2, M. R. Stanley 3, Mrs. L. J. Bladon 4, W. H. Trueman 5, B. Cox 6, A. R. Peake (cond.) 7, E. Sutton 8. First of Spliced Plain Major by all.

SWITHLAND, LEICS.—On Jan. 17th, 1,260 Doubles (April Day, Plain Bob, Grandsire): Miss L. J. Ryall (first quarter) 1, M. W. Brown 2, N. R. Ellway 3, R. E. Lloyd (first as cond.) 4, M. J. Copson 5, A. G. Conson 6. Jointly conducted by 2, 4 and 5. A birthday compliment to Miss L. R. Ravill and A. R. Clark.

LATE NEWS

We regret to report the death of Mr. Sam Jones, of Eccleston, Cheshire, on January 26th, aged 93.

A serious fire on the evening of January 20th gutted the ringing chamber and the clock room of Batheaston Church, Somerset.

In honour of Canon C. Carew Cox's 80th birthday, a number of quarter peals were rung on January 28th as tokens of affection to the president of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS.—Committee meeting, Blackburn, Saturday, March 3rd, at 6 p.m. prompt in Blackburn Cathedral School. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names to Mr. M. J. Halliwell, 11, Westminster Road, Darwen, Lancs, by Wednesday, February 28th. Bells available: Blackburn Cathedral (10) and Holy Trinity (8) from 2.30 until 9 p.m. 9547

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SAPCOTE, LEICS.—On Jan. 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Thomas (first quarter) 1, Rita Stratford 2, L. Watkins 3, B. Burrows 4, J. Watkin 5, M. E. Brown (cond.) 6. For Matins.

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.—On Jan. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Carol I. V. Corton 1, M. G. Wood 2, B. M. Smith (cond.) 3, E. Morris 4, D. W. Stenson 5, K. H. Mildred 6, B. G. Warwick 7, N. R. May 8. Prior to Holy Communion. Also on Jan. 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Carol I. V. Corton 1, N. R. May (first of Triples 'inside') 2, B. G. Warwick 3, K. H. Mildred 4, D. W. Stenson 5, B. M. Smith (cond.) 6, M. G. Wood 7, Carol Norman (first on tenor) 8. For Evensong.

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