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CANON GUY WARMAN: RINGERS' PADRE

TO be invited to take the chair at the Henry Johnson commemoration dinner in Birmingham is an honour that may be valued and treasured in the memory. While it is customary for St. Martin's Guild to extend this invitation to practical ringers, it by no means follows that a non-ringer may not be seen presiding over this important gathering. During the last 20 years we find the chair at the dinner occupied by influential clerics, men who do not ring but are intimately connected with ringers and their work for the Church. In 1952 the chairman was the Ven. S. Harvie Clark; in the years 1944, 1946 and 1948 Canon Guy Rogers, for many years Rector of Birmingham. In 1959 the gathering was presided over by Canon Guy Warman, the Vicar of Aston.

This year the Guild has again conferred the honour upon Canon Warman. He is a vice-president of the Guild, a regular attender at the Henry Johnson dinner, and a man with more perception of ringers and ringing than one can ever get him to admit. During the 16 years he has laboured in the heavily-populated and difficult parish of Aston, Canon Warman, in common with many others whose lives are devoted to such heart-searching tasks, must have seen deeply into virtually every human problem and thus marked the subtle interchange of the darker and the lighter, the humorous and the tearful, the tragic and the ridiculous. Near his home, in the middle of the field of his labours, is the great arena of the Aston Villa Football Club, presenting its weekly drama of comedy and tragedy and the compelling fascination of endless changes on an old theme. And close at hand, the noble tower of the ancient parish church looks down on this passing show, and from time to time reflects in its own music the vagaries of human life and the mutations of human fortunes.

Canon Warman knows his football crowd, for he may sometimes be found among them; and he knows his bells and his ringers. A few years ago, when Aston Villa went to Wembley, the Vicar said that if the F.A. Cup came to Birmingham the Aston bells should ring to welcome it. The cup came to Aston and the bells rang.

Birmingham ringers are conscious of what they owe to the kindness and interest of Canon Warman. The bells of Aston are available to bands of ringers at reasonable intervals, and at the quarterly meetings the Guild service at the church is conducted by the Vicar, who is quite prepared to play the organ, and will deliver an address that offers some new views on ringers' work and responsibilities and invariably provokes thought. To him, too, is owed the privilege that when the tombstones in the churchyard were laid flat for the bettering of that piece of holy ground, the stone of Henry Johnson, erected to his memory by the ringers of England, was allowed to remain erect as a witness to the national esteem in which this great ringer and composer was held.

With many such considerations as these we may, despite his repeated assertions that he knows nothing of the art, cease to regard Canon Warman as a non-ringer. For he sees more deeply than many into ringers' motives; he has sympathy with the growth and development of change-ringing, remarking wisely that the art, like music and painting, must move with the times; and he speaks plainly on the relationship between the secular and the sacred aspects of bell-ringing activity.

A man's man, a true ringers' padre, and a common-sense friend: so all members of St. Martin's Guild know him; and for these things they have been privileged to honour him.

E. C. S.

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1,000 PEALS AT LOUGHBOROUGH BELL FOUNDRY

By the Rev. Canon K. W. H. FELSTEAD

As far back as August, 1905, the Rev. F. E. Robinson became the first ringer to have 1,000 peals to his credit. Now, nearly 60 years later, we have the first tower to total 1,000 peals. And only 11 of them had been rung when Mr. Robinson achieved his ambition! And so, if it is possible to congratulate a tower, we do so with great pleasure.

The first peal on the Foundry bells was on September 27th, 1901—Stedman Triples in 2 hours 48 minutes—a slow time by modern standards for these bells. But people weren't in so much of a hurry in those days. Several of the early peals of Major took over 3 hours—the slowest being 5.120 Kent Treble Bob Major in 3 hours 10 minutes rung in 1903. Surprisingly few peals were rung at first—five being the most in any year before the First World War. The grand total at the end of 1914 was 40 peals. 1921 was the year when things began to liven up at the Campanile—the year when Harold Poole commenced his activities on the bells. The 100 peal mark came in 1923, and the 200th peal was rung 4½ years later in 1928. After that, there was again a lull, for some reason, so that in the five years from 1929 to 1933 inclusive only 22 peals are recorded. Then came another burst of activity, with the 300th peal in 1937 (November 2nd), and a grand total of 335 when ringing had to cease because of World War II.

After the war, came rather a slow start—only 19 peals from 1945 to 1948 inclusive. Then came the explosion—50 peals in 1949, which brought the 400 up on December 17th of that year. From that time every two or three years has seen another 100 peals, and 600 peals, to bring the 1,000 up, have been rung in almost exactly 13 years from the end of 1949 to the end of 1962—an average of about 46 a year. The most in any year was 62 in 1959 and none of the past five years has had less than 57.

770 RINGERS

And now, something about the ringers who have taken part in the 1,000 peals. Actually, I think the number of ringers who have helped to amass this great total is surprisingly small. It is about 770, and of these 350 have rung a single peal only, so the remainder have been busy. The late Mr. Ernest Morris (as many will no doubt have guessed) took part in most peals. I make his total 334 at the Foundry. For any who are interested, here is a list of those who have rung over 50 peals: G. R. Edwards 277, H. J. Poole 262, B. G. Warwick 236, J. A. Acres and J. W. Cotton 231, J. M. Jelley 197, Mrs. H. J. Poole 187, J. F. Milner 169, E. J. Jelley 149, C. Harrison 132, A. J. Poyner 129, R. J. Clifton 122, E. W. Rawson 118, R. S. Morris 115, S. Burton 114, W. P. Whitehead 109, J. F. Hutchby 100, P. J. Staniforth 99, H. B. Bowley 94, J. Saddington 91, R. Elkington 85, G. A. Halls 85, D. P. Jones and J. R. Smith 81, Mrs. B. G. Warwick 75, P. L. Taylor 69, E. Reader 68, B. S. Chapman and L. H. Whitehead 64, A. Ballard 62, F. H. Stubbs, F. R. Whitehead and J. Oldham 60, H. Broughton 58, and E. C. Gobey, E. A.



Jacques and W. Smith 52. Mention also ought to be made of J. P. Fidler, the well known employee of the Foundry, whose total is 49.

The peals have been conducted by 114 different people. The list, in descending order of number of peals conducted, is quite different from the above. Mr. E. Morris, for instance, only 'called' 45 of his great total. The 'leader' in this list is Mr. B. G. Warwick with 193. Actually, it was only in 1962 that he passed the total of the previous leader—the late Mr. H. J. Poole, whose total was 179. No other ringer has yet called 100 peals at the Foundry, and, in fact, they have still a long way to go. Here is the list: W. P. Whitehead 66, J. M. Jelley 53, E. Morris 45, C. Harrison 45, D. P. Jones and P. J. Staniforth 40, E. Reader 35, F. H. Dexter 21, J. F. Milner 16, G. R. Edwards and W. Thornley 15, A. J. Poyner 13, and G. A. Halls and R. B. Smith 10. Those are the ones with 10 or more peals to their credit as conductor. Actually, 64 of the conductors have a single peal they have called on the bells and one has even half a peal!

66 DIFFERENT METHODS

We now turn to the methods rung in the 1,000 peals. Although the majority of the peals were of Major, the biggest variety has been in peals of Royal. The 170 peals of Royal have been rung in 66 different methods or combinations of methods. Surprise Royal has been rung in methods which commence with every letter of the alphabet! Cambridge

Royal has been most popular, as usual, with 36 peals. Yorkshire has 24, Plain Bob 13 and Kent Treble Bob 6. No other methods have more than four peals.

There have only been 38 peals of Caters—29 of Stedman and nine of Grandsire.

The Campanile had eight bells at first, the two trebles being added in 1923, so it is not surprising that (as mentioned above), most peals have been on eight bells—just over 560, in fact. The first of Major was on March 8th, 1902—Kent Treble Bob, and 33 peals in this method have been rung in all. Again, it is Cambridge which leads the way in number of peals—109 in all, with Yorkshire again second—77. Superlative 33, Bristol 26, Lincolnshire has 60, Plain Bob 56, Double Norwich 40, London 38, Kent 13, combined Kent and Oxford 11 and Rutland 10. There is insufficient space to mention those with less than 10 peals. Not quite all the alphabet has been rung in Surprise methods in the Major range, the missing letters being E, H, Q, U and Z. No doubt this will soon be rectified now that the secret is 'out.' Sixty-two different methods or combinations of methods have been rung in all.

Of Triples, there have been 131 peals—104 of Stedman, 26 of Grandsire and 2 of Plain Bob.

It is only in the past few years that Minor and Doubles methods have been rung with any regularity. Thus the first peal of Doubles wasn't until 1936. Personally, I think this increase is a pity, for I am one who thinks that, on the whole, peals should be rung using all the bells in the tower. There are plenty of five- and six-bell towers for peals on these numbers. No doubt this opinion will spark off a letter or two in the correspondence column! There have been 73 peals of Minor, in 20 varieties of methods—most being of Plain Bob (19). Fourteen of the 21 peals of Doubles have come in the past three years, and there have been 15 different kinds of peals—27 methods being the greatest number used in one peal.

QUICKEST PEALS

Of course, over the years, there has been a competition for the quickest peal on the bells in the various compasses possible. The first peal of Royal rung was in 1924, with a time of 2 hours 58 minutes. This time was the quickest for 13 years—a pretty good effort. In 1937, we had a time of 2 hours 50 minutes, which was the pre-war record. Immediately after the war came 2 hours 45 minutes in 1945 and this had been reduced to 2 hours 25 minutes by 1949. This time stood for 10 years, until a further minute was knocked off in 1959. In 1961 came the present record—one minute less still—2 hours 23 minutes. The first peal of Caters took 3 hours 5 minutes, but this didn't last long and by 1931 the record stood at 2 hours 32 minutes. This lasted until 1954, when 2 hours 30 minutes was clocked. In 1957 came times of 2 hours 28 minutes and 2 hours 26 minutes. Then in 1961 2 hours 25 minutes and, finally, last year 2 hours 22 minutes.

Major started at 2 hours 58, and the quickest peal before 1914 was in 1907—2 hours

1,000 PEALS AT LOUGHBOROUGH—contd.
49 minutes. This time was reduced progressively no less than seven times in the years 1921 and 1922, by the end of which year 2 hours 20 minutes had been reached. This stood until 1937 when a couple of minutes was clipped off the time. In 1939, no less than 10 minutes was knocked off and we had a time of 2 hours 8 minutes. This obviously took some beating, but the time was a minute less in a peal of Superlative in 1949. Five years later, a peal of Yorkshire was rung in 2 hours 2 minutes. Even that time only lasted nine months, for there came in November, 1954, a peal in 1 hour 57 minutes. Finally, a year later, there came the quickest tower bell peal yet rung to that time—Bob Major in 1 hour 45 minutes—an incredible speed of nearly 50 changes a minute. I don't suppose that will be beaten in a hurry.

Triples had a quickest time of 2 hours 33 minutes before 1914. 2 hours 8 minutes before 1939 and is now 2 hours dead (in 1957). Minor started at 1 hour 59 minutes in 1925, had been reduced to 1 hour 50 minutes before 1939 and has only been quickened up twice since then—1 hour 48 minutes in 1958 and 1 hour 41 minutes in 1961 (the present record). Doubles started at 2 hours 32 minutes in 1936, became 2 hours 15 minutes in 1939 and stands at 1 hour 35 now—the quickest tower bell peal ever.

One of the attractions of this very light and beautifully 'running' ring of bells has always been the possibility of ringing long lengths, and the Foundry holds the record in many methods, the most recent being on December 8th last when 15,520 changes of Yorkshire Surprise Major was rung. Pride of place must be the longest peal ever rung by one band of ringers—32,704 changes of Plain Bob Major on July 15th, 1961. This, of course, was the result of an attempt on the 40,320, of which the Campanile has seen several in the past year or two. If this ever is accomplished, the Foundry is probably the only place where it could be done. The second longest peal here was also connected with this 40,320 attempt—18,928 of Bob Major last August. Other peals of over 10,000 changes are as follows: 13,440 Plain Bob Major on April 8th, 1922; 10,400 Real Superlative Surprise Major on

May 6th, 1922;
10,976 Bristol Surprise Major on February 19th, 1949;
10,368 London Surprise Major on October 6th, 1951;
14,560 Yorkshire Surprise Major on September 21st, 1957;

Peals of 6,000 changes and over, in order of ringing them, are:

9,120 Kent & Oxford Treble Bob Major on May 6th, 1922;
7,008 Bob Major on October 4th, 1924;
6,720 Little Bob Major on April 3rd, 1926;
9,600 Kent & Oxford Treble Bob Major on December 24th, 1927;
9,760 Bob Major on November 30th, 1935;
7,008 Bob Major on December 6th, 1952;
6,720 Double Norwich Major on August 6th, 1960;
6,120 Cambridge Surprise Royal on October 13th, 1962;
6,000 Doubles in 5 methods on November 3rd, 1962.

Finally we come to the Guilds for which the peals have been rung. At first, and until the mid-1920's, most peals were rung for the old Midland Counties Association—336, in fact. When that was divided and the tower came in the area of the Leicester Diocesan Guild, the vast majority of peals were rung for that Association and the number for that Guild is now 546. The only other two Associations for which any substantial numbers have been rung are the new Midland Counties Association, 70, and the Derbyshire Associa-



MR. PAUL L. TAYLOR.

whose encouraging co-operation has made the ringing of 1,000 peals on the Foundry Campanile possible, to the advancement of the Exercise at large.

tion, 26. The remaining peals have been rung for 13 other Societies and there have also been two non-Association peals.

And so another milestone in the history of ringing has been reached. I wonder which will be the first church tower to pass the 1,000 peal mark? Erith? Crayford? Willesden? Who knows? But it is quite likely that it may not be reached before the end of the century! By which time, at the present rate of things, Loughborough Bell Foundry will have passed the 2,000 mark.

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE & NORTH LEICESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION

The members attending the annual meeting of the Association at Shardlow on January 19th—a cold and snowy day—heard from the chairman, Mr. F. W. Hinds, that the Association's application for recognition by the Central Council had been received and would be submitted to the Council at its meeting later in the year. The news was warmly greeted by the 27 members present.

Ringling preceded a short service conducted by the Vicar and a splendid tea was served in the British Legion Hall. The Rev B. K. Rice, Vicar of Tideswell, had resigned the presidency and the Rev. M. R. Austin, Vicar of St. Andrew's, Derby, was elected his successor. Mr. F. W. Hinds and Mr. R. Barker were re-elected chairman and secretary respectively, and Mr. S. K. A. Huson is the new Ringling Master in succession to Mr. B. R. Manning. Elected to the committee were Messrs. J. E. Collins, M. A. Fenn, G. Fletcher, D. K. Walklate, E. H. Willows and C. Whitting.

Mr B. R. Manning said although the number of peals, half peals and quarters had not risen during the past year there was an increase in the number of conductors.

Next meeting: St. Andrew's, Derby, on February 16th. R. I. G.

OBITUARY

MR. H. COX

Mr. Bert Cox died suddenly at his home in Wimbledon on February 2nd, aged 81 years.

Known as 'Harry,' in his early years he was one of the members of the Boyne Hill band in the 1930's. He rang several Surprise Major peals there, one of the earlier ones (in 1909) being Cambridge, with George Martin as conductor. Bert Cox was proud of those days and rightly so, for Surprise Major rung by a Sunday service band represented a considerable achievement.

Latterly he had lived in Wimbledon, and he was, until his failing legs prevented him, a regular service ringer, standing in many of the Sunday evening quarter peals.

A gardener, he found relaxation after retirement in his roses and pot plants.

He was a kindly man and will be missed by those who knew him.

On February 7th a half-muffled quarter peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at Wimbledon as a token of respect by Vanessa Rodrigues 1, Judith Geiringer 2, Caroline Carpenter 3, Susan Rawlings 4, A. Bishop 5, M. H. Sinden 6, K. Newman (cond.) 7, R. Mayes 8.

Cremation was at Putney Vale on February 13th. M. H. S.

MR. GEORGE BERRY

The death occurred recently of Mr. George Berry, of Hodnet, Shropshire, at the age of 57 years.

He started ringing about 1921 with the call-change band at Hodnet; the bells were then in very bad order and were swing-chimed on Sundays and only rung up on special occasions owing to the very heavy 'go.'

After the bells had been rehung in 1931, a change-ringing band was formed with the writer as instructor. George made excellent progress and was appointed captain the following year, a position he held for about 15 years until he went farming on his own account, when he gave up ringing owing to pressure of work. He was also a chorister for many years.

He was a tall, well-built man, and was frequently taken for an ex-Guardsman. He rang a few peals, mostly of Plain Bob Minor at his own tower and round about, and he rang the treble in a very fine peal in seven Treble Bob methods at Forton, conducted by Arthur Pritchard.

George was a very good striker and came of ringing stock: his father, Alick, used to slog the almost unringable tenor at Hodnet prior to the rehanging, and his uncle, Jesse, was captain at nearby Stoke-on-Tern until his death.

He was laid to rest in Hodnet Churchyard on January 26th, and as it was not convenient to get a band to ring, owing to the annual meeting of the Association at Shrewsbury, the ringers met on the following Wednesday evening and rang some excellent half-muffled Grandsire Doubles to the memory of an old friend.

E. V. R.

50 YEARS AGO

'R.W.', Feb. 14, 1913.—

'W.R.' writes: 'I don't know how near your paper has been to John o' Groat's, but I have had the honour of taking it to Land's End. Working there last summer for about five months. I have read "The Ringing World" with interest many a time on the rocks by "the sad sea waves" in that remote spot.' We wonder how near 'The Ringing World' has been to John o' Groat's.

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Letters to the Editor

Great Yarmouth, 1963

Dear Sir,—It is necessary to correct the third paragraph of Messrs. Dukes and Dunwoody's letter in 'The Ringing World' of February 8th, that 'No help has been given, as is usually done by the host Association, other than "fend for yourself" because of accommodation difficulties.'

Immediately after my return from the 1962 Central Council meeting, on June 19th, I had an interview with the manager of the Carlton, Yarmouth's most suitable hotel, and effected a 'shadow' booking for 200 people, also arranged an excellent room for the Standing Committee, and an equally excellent room for the Tuesday evening gathering, all for the Central Council meeting for Whitsun, 1963.

The same day I interviewed the Town Clerk of Great Yarmouth, and effected a shadow booking of the Town Hall for the Whit Tuesday meeting, together with the Mayor for the official welcome, and a civic reception for the afternoon.

Great Yarmouth is one of the most popular seaside holiday resorts in the British Isles; the hotels get more or less fully booked for the following summer, even before the summer season is over, and the Town Hall is similarly booked for conferences sometimes a year or more ahead.

The manager of the Carlton made it clear that he must have an early confirmation of the booking if the reservation were to be guaranteed.

I was, naturally, acting not in any official capacity, but simply as a local resident, familiar with the difficulties inseparable from the extraordinary popularity of Great Yarmouth. I made it very clear to those officially concerned with Central Council arrangements that these bookings simply must be confirmed at the earliest possible date, or the whole plan would collapse. There are several other good hotels in Great Yarmouth, at all of which the same matters apply.

It appears that it was not found possible to confirm the shadow booking of the Carlton Hotel, and the hotel naturally had to take up other bookings which other groups were able to effect months ago. Meanwhile, the same thing has been happening at the other hotels here. None of this is surprising. It was all foreseen by those who know the local conditions. It is, nevertheless, a great pity, for the Carlton could have provided the Council with an entirely adequate and really delightful meeting place.

The thing for members to do now is, not to indulge in any questions about the past, but to seize the opportunity of the present, **act now** on the advice in the notice in the 'R.W.' of January 11th, and book, not in the large hotels which are already full, but in the smaller yet very attractive places noted in the 'summary of accommodation' from our publicity manager.

Control of the hotel situation has passed from our hands, but everything else is being planned so as to give members a most delightful time—tours on the Broads, ringing in the incomparable East Anglian churches, and the other delights associated with Central Council meetings.—Yours faithfully,

GILBERT THURLOW,
Vicar of Great Yarmouth.

Dear Sir,—Canon A. G. G. Thurlow has been good enough to send me a copy of his reply to the letter from Messrs. Dukes and Dunwoody in your issue of February 8th, and I would like to endorse his view that, apart from the difficulty over headquarters and accommodation generally, arrangements for the meeting are proceeding normally, thanks to the

efforts of the officers of the Norwich Diocesan Association. It seems to me somewhat ungracious to complain of 'poor arrangements' when all that has so far been said is that members must select their own accommodation from a local guide. Had the meeting been held in London exactly the same situation would have applied.

The fact that the Irish Association representatives travel at their own expense seems hardly relevant, but perhaps it is worth mentioning that all honorary and life members of the Council also attend meetings at their own expense.

I must, however, refer to the statement in Canon Thurlow's letter that he had effected a shadow booking for 200 people at 'Yarmouth's most suitable hotel,' with the implication both there and elsewhere in the letter that had it not been for the dilatoriness of others—mainly myself I suppose—the accommodation difficulty would not have arisen. What he does not say is that the manager quoted for 160 persons at the Cavendish and 40 at the Carlton (the two are practically adjoining), both at **fifteen guineas a head, weekly terms only**. The Association's secretary, Mr. Barrett, was able to get bed and breakfast terms at the Carlton and the charge for the Cavendish reduced to twelve guineas plus 5 per cent., but since the manager would not agree to other than weekly terms the latter would have been out of the question for most members. In effect, therefore, accommodation at headquarters would have been for 40 people only, and it is obvious that at least three-quarters of those attending (four-fifths if wives and families are included) would have had to find accommodation elsewhere.—Yours sincerely,

E. A. BARNETT,
Hon. Secretary.

Central Council of Church Bell Ringers.

Handbell Teams in North of England

Dear Sir,—In reply to the letter by 'E. Jatch,' with reference to handbell ringing, although he does not say so, I presume that he is in possession of a copy of 'The Art of Handbell Ringing,' and also that his remarks refer to tune ringing on handbells, and not change ringing.

I know of quite a number of bands of tune ringers in the North, and for general information I enclose a list of those active at the present time. There will be other bands that perhaps I am unaware of, and it would be of interest to many readers if they could make themselves known through 'The Ringing World.'

'E. Jatch' does not give his address, and so I am not aware if he lives near enough to get in touch with any of these bands, but at various times I have had correspondence with tune ringers in other parts of the country. If he will write to me I will try to put him in touch with the nearest tune ringers that I know of; perhaps then he may arrange to have some tune recordings made locally.

He is quite right when he states: 'We have very little knowledge of what is being done and what can be done,' but I can assure him that the tune ringing of the bands I mention is of a high standard, the ringers are keen and they all make visitors welcome at their practice nights. To anyone who has never heard or seen a good band of tune ringers I would suggest that they do so at the first opportunity; they have a treat in store! A large part of the fascination of tune ringing to me lies in watching the rise and striking of the bells in the ringer's hands, sometimes in sequence, sometimes in irregular order, but

always in time and with never a wrong note, and all blending together to produce music with qualities no other medium can reproduce.—Yours sincerely,

T. OGDEN.

119, Smallbrook Road,
Shaw Oldham.

HANDBELL TUNE RINGING BANDS IN THE NORTH OF ENGLAND

(1) Crosthwaite handbell ringers, Crosthwaite, Keswick, Cumberland: Leader, Mr. Joe Brownrigg, 14, Greta Hamlet, Keswick, Cumberland. 36 bells, six ringers. Practice night varies, contact Mr. Brownrigg. Have broadcast many times on Northern B.B.C. programmes.

(2) Silverdale handbell ringers, Silverdale, Carnforth, Lancashire: Leader, Mr. T. E. Bolton, 'The Grove,' Shore Road, Silverdale, Carnforth, Lancs. 48 bells, 12 ringers. Practice night Monday, in their own building at Silverdale. Have broadcast a few times, and there are three long play recordings, 33½ r.p.m., available, contact Mr. Bolton.

(3) Skipton handbell ringers, Skipton, Yorkshire: Leader, Mr. Joe Wiseman, 37, Brougham Street, Skipton, Yorks. 49 bells (4 chromatic octaves), 8 ringers. Practice night Monday, at 37, Brougham Street. Have broadcast a few times on Northern B.B.C. programmes.

(4) Rotherham handbell ringers, Rotherham, Yorkshire: Leader, Mr. Norman Chaddock, 17, Herringthorpe Grove, Broom, Rotherham, Yorks. 48 bells, 8 or 10 ringers. Practice night varies, contact Mr. Chaddock.

(5) Ecclesfield handbell ringers, Ecclesfield, Sheffield, Yorkshire: Correspondent, Mr. Wm. C. Gregory, 182, High Greave, Sheffield, S. Yorkshire. About 160 bells, which at present are away awaiting attention at the Whitechapel Bell Foundry. This band appeared representing Sheffield in the 'Top Town' television programme. They played 'The Skater's Waltz,' and the judges voted this as the best item in the whole programme.

(6) Warsop handbell ringers, Warsop, Mansfield, Notts: Leader, Mr. H. T. Rooke, 9, York Terrace, Warsop; secretary, Mr. F. Flint, 'Kirkley,' Manor Road, Church Warsop, Mansfield, Notts. 24 bells, 6-8 ringers. Practice night varies, contact Mr. Flint.

(7) Norbury handbell ringers, Hazel Grove, Stockport, Cheshire: Leader, Mr. Wm. Hartley, 29, Hurdfield Road, Great Moor, Stockport, Cheshire. Telephone STO 6571 (day only). About 168 bells (5 chromatic octaves), with many duplicate and triplicate bells, 12-14 ringers. Practice night Monday, but contact Mr. Hartley first. A recording of their music has been made, but I do not know whether copies are available at present.

(8) St. Thomas' Church, Moorside, handbell ringers, Moorside, Oldham, Lancs: Leader and secretary, Mr. Ivan Kay, 59, Alva Road, Oldham, Lancs. 74 bells (4½ chromatic octaves, 16 duplicates), 10 ringers. Practice night Friday.

(9) The Darlington handbell ringers: Leader, Mrs. W. N. Park, 20, Bracken Road, Darlington, Co. Durham. 12 bells, six ringers. Practice night varies, but is usually held at 20, Bracken Road.

T. O.

Confirmation Wanted

Dear Sir.—Could anyone confirm the notation of these two methods?
Cheapside Delight:

36—16—12—36—14—36. L.E. 12. 136245.

Victoria, or Queen Victoria Delight:

36—14—12—16—14—16. L.E. 12. 136245.

Also can anyone supply the notation of Princess Mary, or Goldsborough Delight Minor?—Yours faithfully,

A. BISHOP.

London, S.W.

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The two octaves are well known: the Pearson church of St. Michael, Headingley, appears frequently on television when Test matches are televised from the cricket ground nearby, and further along the Otley Road lies St. Chad's, Far Headingley, where a 'Grimthorpe' octave was recast thirty years ago.

Less prominent down in the valley, between the Otley and Harrogate Road, lies Meanwood village, a parish over which the earliest Leeds Corporation housing estate sprawls as well as hundreds of what in estate agents' jargon would be described as 'mod. semis, small gardens at front and rear...' but the church and its tree lined avenue still keep their village characteristics.

Possibly Meanwood's only claim to fame lies in its influence in the design of 'Big Ben' through its association with Sir Edward Beckett, afterwards Lord Grimthorpe—the nearby 'Beckett Arms' perpetuates his name.

When after seven years of wrangling matters had reached a deadlock, Beckett was called in to adjudicate on the Westminster clock in 1851 and having the previous year had the Meanwood clock made to his satisfaction, he not unnaturally had the Houses of Parliament clock made by the same man, Mr. Dent, of London.

At that time there would have been only two bells at Meanwood by Taylor's, 1840, the present third and fourth, to which the same founder added two trebles and a tenor eleven years later.

OCTAVE ENVISAGED

From the layout it is apparent that the possibility of completing the octave was envisaged, and a splendid eight they would make. I am inclined to agree with a former

Vicar who maintained that tonally Meanwood bells are superior to their two heavier neighbours up the hill, and it is said that the three treble bells were suggested if not actually offered in memory of the famous surgeon, Lord Moynihan, whose house, Carr Manor, now forms the judges' residence.

Through the instrumentality of one of the offshoot Potts' clock firms abounding at the time, the bells were rehung by Mears, some thirty years ago, and while they 'go' well they cannot be rushed.

The tower is built over the chancel crossing and the ringing chamber is directly below the single belfry floor, which has a large gap for the clock weights, so that the bells are inclined to be on the noisy side, although they are by no means impossible for a conductor with good lung power.

In ringing circles Meanwood's most famous son was the late Mr. Rupert Richardson, who was proud of his association with the village.

There is no record of a peal ever having been attempted here until after the last war, when one or two somewhat half-hearted attempts were made, one with silencers fitted and another when it is said that two ringers tried to change bells and changed course in the process.

Neither would there seem ever to have been a meeting at this tower. It is not to be expected that a large territorial association should visit a five-bell tower while the local district society, which might be expected to do so has, in my opinion, a stupid rule whereby it cannot hold meetings at any tower unless it has members there.

The 'non-union' tendency does not appear to have any adverse effect on the ringing, rather the reverse in fact, since this is one of the minority of Leeds towers where the bells are fully manned and rung twice a Sunday.

As already reported, the first peal on these bells was rung on January 19th, eight methods of Doubles by a band mostly from Leeds

Parish Church, with one ringer from Pontefract, and it was a very creditable performance by the eighteen-year-old conductor, who, apart from contending with weight and noise, called the first peal in eight methods of Doubles by the whole band.

It may not be a record, but I imagine that few towers where the bells have been pealable will have remained 'unconquered' for 82 years.

R. H. DOVE.

Grandsire Minor

Dear Sir,—I was very interested to see Geoffrey Drew's letter concerning the 'correct' name of Grandsire Minor. Although I need hardly mention it, plain leads can be had in a 720, and it can then rightly be called Grandsire Minor. But what happens if the conductor wishes to put a call at every lead? To me it seems like some form of Original Minor.

Now, to go one step further away from the method. The ringers are told to think of the method of Grandsire and to make a bob at every lead without it being called. Rounds will come up at the end of the usual five leads, thus forming the plain course. But what is the name of this method now? It doesn't even look like Grandsire, there is not even a bell in the hunt—draw out the blue line and have a look for yourself. Now for the calls, there won't be so many for a 720, what were bobs are now plain leads and singles need only be called. If an ordinary Grandsire plain lead be needed this could be a bob.

Rung in this fashion it could be called Reverse St. Bartholomew Minor, as this method on five bells is only Grandsire with four uncalled singles and a slightly different bob.—Yours sincerely,

ALAN A. J. BUSWELL.

Portsmouth.

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SOCIETY OF CUMBERLAND YOUTHS AT DINNER

THE dinners of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths are becoming some of the most popular in the ringers' calendar, and it was a pleasing tribute to the Master, Mr. Denis Beresford, to find, amid the snow and ice of these days, ringers travelling from as far as York and Lincoln, Chepstow in the west and Southampton in the south, to honour the common link they had in this Society, which was founded in 1747. This year's function was held on February 2nd at the Euston Tavern.

It was a happy evening. The Master had a good report to give of a successful year, well attended meetings and encouraging progress from many recruits. With his skill in the chair, he blended speech into speech and countered story with story, and the evening passed all too quickly.

The Master announced apologies from the Bishop of Worcester (the Rt. Rev. Charles Edwards), the Rev. Meredith Davies, Mr. and Mrs. Drew (Cheltenham), Mr. Alfred House, Mr. F. E. Hawthorne, Mr. Zass-Ogilvie, Mrs. Deal, Mr. Tom Bevan and Mr. Nicholas Davies. The Master of the Middlesex Association sent his greetings.

The toast of 'The Church' was proposed by Mr. W. R. Winterton, who recalled that last year the 'preacher' was the almost-Reverend Peter Bond. At that time he was in the twilight zone; he had seen his light, but had not quite reached it. It was obvious that the person proposing the toast on this occasion had been taken from outer darkness.

Mr. Winterton said his credentials for proposing the toast were that his father, his father-in-law and his uncle were parsons; a nephew was an almost-reverend and a cousin was one of that curious breed—licensed lay readers.

BELLS RANG TO THEIR DEATH

In a welcome to the Rev. Roy Deasy, Vicar of St. Andrew's, Holborn, Mr. Winterton said they were all delighted that those bells were ringing again. They were all sorry that their dear friend Joe Hawkins was not with them. He was for many years steeple-keeper of those bells and he tells a very sad story of their end. The last people to ring those bells left them up. The church was hit by incendiary bombs in the early hours of the morning and Joe, who lived nearby, heard the bells ringing for their death as they swung when the stays burnt through. Those bells were now back and they hoped that Mr. Deasy would enjoy hearing them on very many occasions and come to that dinner on future occasions.

The Rev. Roy Deasy, who replied, said he would like to offer deep appreciation and gratitude for all bell ringers contribute to the life and work of the church in this land. Sunday by Sunday the bells rang out an invitation—an invitation to join in the wonderful love and glory of God. Those of them who were concerned with the work and mission of the church realised that ringers not only rang the bells, but kept them in first class order, and it was the boast of one tower with which he was familiar that no cost for the bells fell on the parish.

Mr. Deasy said he was not only Vicar of St. Andrew's Church, but he had a specialised job among young people. It was a pleasure to know that so many young men and women found enjoyment in young ringing bands, and he was pleased to know that in their Society there was room for ringers who were learning the craft.

The Rev. Peter N. Bond, proposing the toast of 'The Society of Royal Cumberland Youths,' said he had watched through the columns of 'The Ringing World' the great progress the Society had made in the past year. One sometimes read letters suggesting that these non-territorial Societies should be abolished and that the only Societies needed were those who catered for ringing in a geographical area. He was convinced that Societies like theirs and the Ancient Society of College Youths had a definite part to play in not only keeping the churches in the central part of London going but as a link between the different territorial Associations.

WORTHY SUCCESSORS

Their Society had a very great heritage and history going back over 200 years which they hoped to read when the original rules of the Society were reprinted. But they could not merely look back; they had to look to the future and get young people interested in their art. They all knew of flourishing bands of ringers dying and the bells becoming silent because there were no young ringers coming forward, when the older ringers died or retired. It was with great pleasure he welcomed so many young members that evening, many of them being worthy successors of those who had done so much to advance the Society. Already more than one of the young members were great names in composition and conducting.

The Master, in his reply, said they had the rules of the Society as known from their foundation in 1747, and they hoped that they would be shortly available to every member. In a welcome to the gathering, Mr. Beresford said it was some inspiration to their members in London that their activities were followed by those of the Society in other parts of the country. They had with them members from Chepstow, Newark, Lincoln, York, Lichfield and Southampton. Those were long distances for people to travel and gave a fair indication that the Society throughout the country was in good heart and that their dinner was one of the events of the year. The attendance that night had practically doubled in the last five years. While numbers were important what was more so was that their dinner should continue to be a friendly gathering of friendly people.

They had also tried hard to make sure on such day that there should be suitable ringing. In that respect they were grateful to the key man of the College Youths, Jack Phillips, who had done so much to foster good relations while remaining an admirable College Youth. If he succeeded to the Mastership of that Society next year they would wish him a happy year. They welcomed that evening the Master of the Society, Mr. Michael Chilcott, and his wife.

MORE STABLE

The past year had been a good year and financially the Society was more stable than since the war, and double the number of new members were elected than in the previous year. Their peals numbered eight, and in that respect they were very pleased to enrol certain members of the Essex Association. They had rung their first peal of six spliced and their first of New Gloucester. He must also mention that admirable meeting at Sevenoaks, and the successful meeting with the Middlesex Association.

St. Martin's bells were ringing again, but they must receive some attention; they were as difficult as ever. They were very grateful to the Rev. Roy Deasy for the bells of St. Andrew's, Holborn; they had a large number of people coming to their practices, and it was encouraging to see the progress these people were making.

The Society in London was to face a blow when Tom and Margaret Francis left for Southampton. They owed a lot to Tom, who kept the Society together when it was at a low ebb, and, although he worked hard when he was Master, he did not have a great deal of support. Canon K. W. H. Felstead was one of their members. He would have someone to replace the loss of Charlie Kippin.

Mr. F. J. Matthews, honorary secretary of the Society, proposed 'The Visitors.' He included in the toast members of the Society living out of London. There was a special mention of Miss Iris Lemare, of York, Jack Millhouse and other Lincoln friends, and also the Newark contingent that caused him to remark: 'You cannot have links without knots' (Links without Notts). Mr. Tom Lock, as leader of Great Adventure No. 2, was greeted.

Coming to Mr. and Mrs. King, of Chepstow, the speaker recalled their visit to the annual meeting of the Central Council at Chelmsford. Another visitor with whom he had travelled was Mr. Chilcott, the Master of the College

Youths. 'Some years ago,' said Mr. Matthews. 'I had the pleasure of cycling many miles with him and his brother. They had with them that night nine College Youths. They were not specially invited as on a Sunday morning they sat at opposite ends at Lyons', drinking coffee.' [Laughter.]

THEIR SUPERIORITY

The Master of the College Youths replied and on behalf of his Society congratulated the Cumberlands on a very successful year. He was pleased to know that St. Martin's bells were ringing again, as St. Martin's was a very important tower—the first peal of Stedman Cinques was rung there 175 years ago.

Mr. Chilcott said his Society had to acknowledge the Cumberlands' superiority in one respect—in the field of female bell ringers—and he would say that their skill in the art of belle control had to be seen to be believed. [Laughter.] To Mr. Matthews, Mr. Chilcott said: 'Your secretary is carrying on a family tradition of service and we all owe him our thanks for a very happy evening.'

Handbell ringing was again prominent, and included a touch of Yorkshire Surprise, and also Bristol Surprise. The ringers were: Mr. E. A. Barnett, Miss J. Beresford and Messrs. D. and P. Beresford.

THE COMPANY

The Master and Mrs. D. Beresford were supported on the top table by the Rev. R. and Mrs. Deasy, the Rev. Peter N. Bond, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Winterton, Mr. M. V. Chilcott (Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths) and Mrs. Chilcott, Mr. F. J. Matthews (honorary secretary) and Mrs. Matthews, Mrs. F. E. Hawthorne and Mr. T. W. White.

Others present were: Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Audsley, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. J. Huxter, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Raithby, Mr. and Mrs. C. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. C. Tester, Mr. and Mrs. N. Steere, Mr. and Mrs. M. Kidner, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Kippin, Mr. and Mrs. P. Humphries, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dobbie, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Goodfellow, Dr. and Mrs. D. E. Sibson, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Lock, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Hart, Mr. and Mrs. L. Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Francis, Mr. and Mrs. G. Paul, Mr. and Mrs. G. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. King and Mr. and Mrs. P. Eves.

Mesdames E. B. Lewis, A. Beresford and T. Bevan.

The Misses K. Nolan, C. Powell, V. J. Wilson, M. E. Chilton, E. Tutty, R. Snell, M. Ladd, E. Tester, J. Garnett, N. Leahy, J. Lenham, C. A. Fuller, N. Pearce, D. Colgate, M. Sibson, M. Erik, I. Lemare, S. Rawlings, J. Beresford, J. Cox, M. Prockson, D. A. Deverell, B. Millhouse, R. Drury and R. Gurnhill.

Messrs. J. Millhouse, A. Cutler, R. Caporn, D. Leach, M. Lewis, B. Jeffrey, F. E. Darby, R. Hinde, A. Baldock, T. Barlow, G. Fitzhugh, R. Savory, J. Warner, R. Davies, P. Beresford, K. Newman, A. E. Maylin, R. Brockington, D. Symondes, I. H. Oram, W. Prockson, R. Newman, P. Sharp, J. Barnes.

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BRISTOL UNIVERSITY SOCIETY DINNER

THE annual dinner and reunion of the Bristol University Society took place on January 26th, a record number of tickets having been sold this year. Throughout the day ringing was enjoyed by many at various towers in Bristol opened for the occasion. A peal attempt of Siedman Caters at St. Stephen's was successful.

As usual, the dinner was preceded by the special general meeting of the Society, followed by the annual service at St. Michael's Church. The ringing was led by a choir of past and present members of the Society, accompanied by Dr. David Heighton at the organ. The lesson was read by Miss Maria Kirby, and a stirring sermon was given by the Vicar, the Rev. Vyvyan Jones.

During the meal the Master, Mr. Antony R. Kench, took wine with past Masters present, and later the secretary, Mr. Derek Sawyer, paid a similar compliment to his predecessors in office.

The toasts of 'The Queen' and 'The Church' were honoured on the call of the president, Dr. R. J. Brockelhurst. The president also reminded all present that in the past year the Society had lost an honorary member, Mr. Frederick Leaker, to whom it owed a great deal, especially in its beginnings after the war. All stood in silence in memory of him. The president welcomed both members and visitors, remarking how loyal past members always were to the occasion. He then asked the secretary to propose a toast to the visitors.

Mr. Sawyer began by reminding the Society of the debt it owed to the Rev. Vyvyan Jones for allowing them the use of St. Michael's bells for the past 20 years. This had enabled the Society to keep together. They had repaid the debt by somehow electing him an honorary member twice over. The secretary welcomed the Masters of Birmingham, Liverpool, Southampton and Oxford Universities, and also representatives from London and Nottingham.

He also welcomed Mr. A. V. Bennett, Master of the Gloucester and Bristol Association, and Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Barnett, names that conjure up a picture of the Central Council.

This year menu cards had been printed and would be sent to past members of the Society who were unable to attend. One of these was to be sent to Mr. Cecil Mogford, a well-known city ringer and a great friend of the Society, who was unfortunately in hospital.

THREE POINTS FROM THE DOCTOR

Mr. E. A. Barnett, replying, said he was playing truant from his Association's District meeting but believed he was supported by several other ringers from Kent who were present. He said he was reminded of a famous Englishman, W. G. Grace, captain of a cricket team touring Australia in the 1890's, who also spoke at society functions. As communication was bad in Australia he always made the same speech. First he thanked his audience for their hospitality, saying he had never had a better meal. Secondly, he stated he had never played with better cricketers, and thirdly that he had never seen prettier women. Mr. Barnett was sure he could equally well address all three remarks to the assembled company, substituting ringers for cricketers.

In spite of the forebodings of 'The Ringing World' Committee, the magazine would make a substantial profit this year. Next year, however, with increases in cost, the position would be uncertain, but as yet there would be no increase in price. It was hoped the paper would continue to make a profit so this would be avoided.

Mr. Barnett concluded by thanking the chairman and the Society on behalf of the visitors for the dinner.

Mr. G. Davies, Master of Birmingham University Society, proposed a toast to 'The Bristol University Society.' The Society dinner, he said, was always the best, and the support it

got was overwhelming. From his 'voluminous notes' Mr. Davies managed to produce some irrelevant but amusing information, including two poems by William Wilson. The remarkable ringing achievements of William Pye were brought to everyone's notice, among them his ringing of over 1,000 peals; and all were asked to stand while a subsidiary toast was proposed to him. Mr. Davies concluded by saying that the Society held one of the most successful Society dinners in circuit.

The Master, Mr. Antony Kench, replied to the toast, and stressed that in response to a toast to the Society his job was to talk about the Society. First he gave an informal vote of thanks to the president, Dr. R. J. Brockelhurst. He had done much behind the scenes and was a tower of strength to the Society, always ready to give advice and help when it was needed.

CUPID INTELLIGENCE

If not the most important aspect of the Society, the most interesting was Cupid. This past year a daughter had been born to David and Bridget Heighton, also there had been an addition to the family of Frank Mack and to that of Michael and Brenda Sprackling. He congratulated Jennifer Gambling and Pat Bourn on their engagements, both regrettably to non-ringers, but he still wished them every happiness. A toast was proposed to Barbara Stevens and Brian Wylde, who had become engaged only two hours previously.

The Master stressed that the Society was a ringing society. In the last year not many peals had been rung, in fact only one more than in the previous year. This year, however, there had been more variety in the methods rung. The resident Society still rang regularly at St. Michael's and the Vicar always gave them his full support. The bells were rung for Matins and Evensong, and this was in fact listed as one of the aims of the Society.

Everyone was reminded that ringing, although a pleasant hobby was also a duty, a fact brought home especially in the severe

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At the S.W. District annual meeting, Mr. Leonard Stilwell was elected an honorary life member of the Middlesex County Association, having completed 50 years' membership. A peal was arranged at Windsor to mark the occasion, but it was found to be rather belated since he had in fact joined the Association in 1908. Better late than never, and the compliment was given even more sincerely.

We are told that the weight of the tenor at Swanwick, Derbyshire (page 66) should read 17 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb.

Will Mr. W. Linter, who took part in the Great Adventure, please forward his address to Mr. T. J. Lock, 57, Holloways Lane, North Mimms, Hatfield, Herts.

Mr. A. James Poyner and Mr. B. S. Payne, of the Leicester Diocesan Guild, both rang more than 60 peals during 1962. Correction to Gossip paragraph in issue of February 1st.

Mr. Jeater is mystified. He received a postal order for 9s. 6d., purchased at Highwood, Bushey, Watford, with no other enclosure but a blank sheet of paper.

A new tower in our list of quarter peals is Irnham, near Grantham, Lincs. On this five (tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 22 lb. in G) the first quarter by an all-local band was rung on January 31st. It was the first quarter by all the ringers.

The attempt for the first peal (Stedman Cinques) on the newly-restored bells at Saffron Walden on February 2nd was lost after 24 hours' ringing. The conductor was Mr. Harold N. Pitstow. After the attempt the band were hospitably entertained by brother Leonard.

A recording was made by the Vicar (the Rev. E. W. K. Bailey) of a peal rung at Barkby Church, Leicestershire. This he has taken to the Vicar of a Nottingham church without bells, and the recording is to be amplified. The Vicarage, where the recording was taken, is more than a quarter-of-a-mile from the church but, states the Vicar, 'the sound carried exceptionally well over the hard ground.' The peal in question was conducted by Mr. Maurice R. A. Kirk

BELFRY GOSSIP

When the Lewisham District of the Kent County Association held their meeting at Erith on January 26th, the ringing of the 600th peal in St. John's Church was marked by the Vicar unveiling a peal board, and a magnificent cake, iced by Mr. J. T. Stevens, a local ringer, which took the form of three figures—600.

This year's Snowdon dinner will be held in Leeds on October 19th.

Letters in relation to Method Extension from Mr. John R. Mayne and Mr. Frank T. Blagrove are unavoidably held over to next week.

Towards Guildford Cathedral Bell Fund six towers in the Leatherhead District have raised £103.

We regret to hear of the death of Mr. Wilfred J. Newman, Ringing Master of St. Andrew's, Hampton, aged 52. He was for 11 years secretary and treasurer of the Southern Branch of the Worcestershire Association.

The peal of Plain Bob Triples rung half-muffled in memory of the Rt. Hon. Hugh Gaitskell at Leeds Parish Church on February 2nd was the first peal of Bob Triples to be rung on the bells, and also for six of the band. It was conducted by Mr. C. Barrie Dove and was his first peal of Triples.

In a 100 years ago feature in 'The Daily Telegraph' recently appeared an announcement of a performance by the Lancashire Champion Prize Handbell Ringers, consisting of 12 performers on 66 bells (conductor, Mr. E. Benson), appearing at The Oxford, Oxford Street, London. They performed classical, operatic and dance music every evening.

Glen Handbell Ringers' Christmas collection amounted to £106 4s. Donations were sent as follows: Dr. Barnardo's Homes, £25; Wireless for the Blind, £20; National Spastics Society, Imperial Cancer Research and C. of E. Children's Society, £10 each; Lord Mayor's Famine Relief Fund and British Association of the Hard of Hearing, £7 10s. each; Great Glen Evergreen and League of Friends, Stretton Hall, £5 each. Expenses came to £6 4s.

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Being seven extents in three methods, viz.: (1) St. Clement's and Oxford Bob, (2) St. Clement's and Plain Bob, (3) Oxford Bob and Plain Bob, (4) St. Clement's, (5) Oxford Bob, (6 and 7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 5 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb. in B.

*PHILIP H. LOCKWOOD .. Treble	G. MARTIN ROSCAMP .. 4
†CHRISTOPHER R. SUTTON .. 2	J. FRASER CLIFT .. 5
CHARLES B. PEMBERTON .. 3	A. RAYMOND M. WATKIN .. Tenor

Conducted by J. FRASER CLIFT.

* First peal. † First 'inside.'

BIRKENHEAD, CHESHIRE.

On Mon., Nov. 26, 1962, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, OVERCHURCH, UPTON,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In nine methods, being four extents each of Reverse St. Bartholomew, April Day, St. Nicholas', St. Simon's, St. Martin's, Plain Bob, five of Winchendon Place, six of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and seven of Grandsire.

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb. in G.

M. WENDY H. JONES .. Treble	*J. FRASER CLIFT .. 3
*EDWIN JONES .. 2	CHARLES B. PEMBERTON .. 4

ALEXANDER J. MARTIN .. Tenor

Conducted by ALEXANDER J. MARTIN.

* First peal of Doubles.

Also rung as a welcome to the new Vicar, Rev. R. L. Barker.

NESTON, CHESHIRE.

On Fri., Nov. 30, 1962, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND HELEN,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 14 cwt. in F sharp.

*CAROLE FRANCIS .. Treble	CHARLES B. PEMBERTON .. 5
*T. HENRY NORMAN .. 2	†A. RAYMOND M. WATKIN .. 6
†D. JOHN POOLE .. 3	ALEXANDER J. MARTIN .. 7
†J. FRASER CLIFT .. 4	*R. EDGAR JONES .. Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE. Conducted by ALEXANDER J. MARTIN.

* First peal, and first attempt. † First of Triples.

HESWALL, CHESHIRE.

On Sat., Dec. 1, 1962, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In three methods, being 14 extents each of Plain Bob, April Day and Grandsire.

Tenor 12 cwt.

*GWENDOLINE M. TILLOTSON Treble	†ROBERT PEERS .. 4
*LINDA L. MORRISON .. 2	ALEXANDER J. MARTIN .. 5
†A. RAYMOND M. WATKIN .. 3	*JOHN G. LIFTON .. Tenor

Conducted by ALEXANDER J. MARTIN.

* First peal, and first attempt. † First of Doubles. ‡ First 'inside.'
Also rung to commemorate the dedication of the rebuilt daughter church, the Church of the Good Shepherd.

THURSTASTON, CHESHIRE.

On Wed., Dec. 5, 1962, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in 26 methods or variations: Two extents each of Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Simon, St. Nicholas, St. Martin, Winchendon Place, April Day, Clifford's Pleasure, Eynsham, St. Andrew, St. Leonard, St. John, Reverse St. Bartholomew, one each of Southrepps Pleasure, St. Giles, St. Miles, Kennington, St. Albans, St. Paul, Besthorpe, Costessey, Shropham, Norwich, Mileham, Walsingham, and four of Grandsire.

Tenor 7 cwt.

*LESLIE L. N. S. SMITH .. Treble	ERNEST T. CARVELL .. 3
J. FRASER CLIFT .. 2	CHARLES B. PEMBERTON .. 4

ALEXANDER J. MARTIN .. Tenor

Conducted by ALEXANDER J. MARTIN.

* First peal, and first attempt. First in 26 methods on the bells, and by all the band.

WALLASEY, CHESHIRE.

On Thurs., Dec. 6, 1962, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven extents in six methods, viz.: (1) London Surprise, (2) Beverley Surprise, (3) Surfleet Surprise, (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, (6) Oxford Treble Bob, (7) Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

*WILLIAM H. ROGERS .. Treble	CHARLES B. PEMBERTON .. 4
MARJORIE E. WEBSTER .. 2	ALEXANDER J. MARTIN .. 5
VIVIAN T. O. BOASE .. 3	THOMAS ROGERS .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS ROGERS.

* First peal attempt.

WEST KIRBY, CHESHIRE.

On Sat., Dec. 8, 1962, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BRIDGET,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

ERNEST T. CARVELL .. Treble	†WILLIAM A. BOOTE .. 5
*MARGARET K. NEWTON .. 2	*IAN M. ROBERTSON .. 6
*P. ANN FREEMAN .. 3	ALEXANDER J. MARTIN .. 7
*SUSAN E. JUKES .. 4	†ROBERT PEERS .. Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE. Conducted by ALEXANDER J. MARTIN.

* First peal attempt. † First of Triples 'inside.' ‡ First of Triples.

WALLASEY, CHESHIRE.

On Sat., Dec. 8, 1962, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HILARY.

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In four methods, being one extent of London and two each of Beverley, Surfleet and Cambridge.

Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 17 lb. in G.

*JEAN R. SUTTON .. Treble	T. ROY HUMPHREYS .. 4
FELICITY I. E. LOCKNER .. 2	VIVIAN T. O. BOASE .. 5
MARJORIE E. WEBSTER .. 3	JOHN McCULLOCH .. Tenor

Conducted by VIVIAN T. O. BOASE.

* First peal. First of Surprise Minor by all, and on the bells, by the Sunday service band.

BIRKENHEAD, CHESHIRE.

On Sat., Dec. 15, 1962, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being one 2,160 and four extents.

Tenor 11 cwt. 9 lb. in G.

V. DAVID JENNER .. Treble	KENNETH J. HESKETH .. 4
CHRISTOPHER K. COOPER .. 2	*FREDERICK PEARSON .. 5
*J. FRASER CLIFT .. 3	TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. Tenor

Conducted by TUDOR P. EDWARDS.

* First peal of Cambridge Minor.

BROMBOROUGH, CHESHIRE.

On Mon., Dec. 17, 1962, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

*DONALD PEERS .. Treble	†ROBERT PEERS .. 5
JOHN D. HERON .. 2	A. RAYMOND M. WATKIN .. 6
*F. LESLIE COVENTRY .. 3	ALEXANDER J. MARTIN .. 7
*RICHARD C. HUNT .. 4	H. STEWART BAILEY .. Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE. Conducted by ALEXANDER J. MARTIN.

* First peal. † First of Triples 'inside.'

EASTHAM, CHESHIRE.

On Sat., Dec. 29, 1962, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 14 extents each of (1) Reverse St. Bartholomew, (2) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, (3) Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt. in F sharp.

*DONALD PEERS .. Treble	GILLIAN HALFORD .. 4
†KEITH HALFORD .. 2	KENNETH C. EDWARDS .. 5
GILLIAN E. SCARTH .. 3	†MARTIN VOGWELL .. Tenor

Conducted by KENNETH C. EDWARDS.

* First peal of Doubles. † First 'inside.' ‡ First peal.

BEBINGTON, CHESHIRE.

On Tues., Jan. 1, 1963, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH, PORT SUNLIGHT,

A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. in F.

LESTER L. GRAY .. Treble	*KENNETH J. HESKETH .. 5
*V. DAVID JENNER .. 2	*WILLIAM COURT .. 6
VICTOR DRAPER .. 3	ALEXANDER J. MARTIN .. 7
FREDERICK PEARSON .. 4	JOSEPH RIDYARD .. Tenor

Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES.

* First peal in the method.

WALLASEY, CHESHIRE.

On Mon., Jan. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH, MORETON.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINIMUS

Being 21 extents each of (1) Plain Bob, (2) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, (3) Canterbury Pleasure Bob, (4) Reverse Bob, (5) Double Bob, (6) St. Martin's Bob, (7) St. Nicholas' Bob, (8) Double Canterbury Pleasure Bob, (9) Single Court, (10) Double Court.

Tenor 7 cwt. (approx.).

*R. HARRY DAVIES .. Treble	CHARLES B. PEMBERTON .. 3
THOMAS ROGERS .. 2	ALEXANDER J. MARTIN .. Tenor

Conducted by ALEXANDER J. MARTIN.

* First peal. First of Minimus by all the band, and on the bells.

TWELVE BELL PEAL

LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Jan. 28, 1963, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

A PEAL OF 5280 DURHAM SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 25 cwt. 20 lb.

*†SANDRA E. CHESTERTON .. Treble	JOHN A. ACRES 7
JOHN M. JELLEY 2	*HERRICK B. BOWLEY .. . 8
PETER J. STANFORTH .. . 3	*BRIAN S. CHAPMAN .. . 9
*WILLIAM A. LACEY .. . 4	*RUSSELL S. MORRIS .. . 10
*A. JAMES POYNOR .. . 5	*E. ALAN JACQUES .. . 11
*SHIRLEY BURTON .. . 6	*WILLIAM J. ROOT .. . Tenor

Conducted by JOHN M. JELLEY.

* First peal in the method. † First on 12 bells. First of Maximus in the method on tower bells.

TEN BELL PEAL

TAMWORTH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Sat., Feb. 2, 1963, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.

AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. EDITHA.

A PEAL OF 5111 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.

J. EDWARD CAWSE Treble	†GEORGE H. PEERS, JUN. .. 6
*BRYL E. CAWSE 2	†NORMAN W. ALTWAY .. . 7
†PATRICIA M. MORRIS .. . 3	†ALAN EVANS 8
ALFRED A. RACKHAM .. . 4	RUSSELL S. MORRIS .. . 9
JAMES DRAYCOTT 5	GEORGE H. PEERS, SEN. .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by J. EDWARD CAWSE.
* First peal in the method. † First of Caters. ‡ First on ten. First of Caters on the bells.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam Robert Pratt, an esteemed and promising young member of this band, who died from injuries received in an accident.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

ELVEDEN, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 15, 1962, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. ANDREW AND PATRICK.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 17 cwt.
WILLIAM CLOVER Treble	THOMAS E. SPIGHT .. . 5
*JAMES PAUL 2	*RICHARD ROSE 6
HENRY TOOKE 3	PETER ADCOCK 7
*HARRY B. FULLER .. . 4	*NORMAN WATSON .. . Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM CLOVER.

* First peal in the method. Ringer of second has 'completed the circle' of the tower.

Rung in honour of the engagement of Viscount Elveden and Miss Miranda Smiley.

ADLINGTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(Preston Branch.)

On Sat., Jan. 26, 1963, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 13½ cwt. in F sharp.

CYRIL CROSSHWAITE .. Treble	THOMAS TURNER .. . 5
*MARGARET CROSSHWAITE .. 2	†MARTIN SMITH .. . 6
PHILIP J. CROSSHWAITE .. 3	BERNARD MOSS .. . 7
MARYL R. CROSSHWAITE .. 4	MICHAEL ARROWSMITH .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by BERNARD MOSS.
* First peal of Bob Major. † First peal. First as conductor.
Rung for the Patronal Festival; also to welcome the new Vicar, the Rev. F. Haworth, B.A., who was inducted the same evening.

BACKWELL, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 26, 1963, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's variation of Middleton's.	Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb.
*DENNIS G. MILLER Treble	†CECIL T. CLARKE .. . 5
EDMUND SHUTTLEWORTH .. 2	F. JOHN NELSON .. . 6
JOHN H. FIELDEN 3	DAVID W. FRIEND .. . 7
DAVID J. ORLEDGE .. . 4	GEOFFREY DAVIES .. . Tenor

Conducted by DAVID W. FRIEND.

* First peal of Major. † First of Surprise 'inside.'
Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar, the Rev. J. T. George.

CONISBROUGH, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5120 GOOLE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb. in G.

J. NEVILLE PARKIN Treble	DONALD H. NIBLETT .. . 5
J. MARTIN THORLEY .. . 2	W. JOHN COUPERTHWAIT .. 6
GEOFFREY F. BRYANT .. . 3	*W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. . 7
J. HENRY FIELDEN .. . 4	WILFRID F. MORETON .. Tenor

Composed by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY. Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.
* 500th peal for the Association. First in the method.

WINDSOR, BERKSHIRE.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIO. GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

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

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

J. R. PRITCHARD's Four-Part.	Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb.
MONICA BLAGROVE Treble	ANDREW JOHNSON .. . 5
LEONARD STILWELL .. . 2	ERNEST F. WILLCOX .. . 6
D. KENYN WALTERS .. . 3	DAVID P. HILLING .. . 7
A. JAMES GLASS 4	FRANK T. BLAGROVE .. . Tenor

Conducted by FRANK T. BLAGROVE.

A belated compliment to Leonard Stilwell on 50 years' membership of the Association. He also 'completes the circle.'

OXFORD.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Jan. 29, 1963, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EBBE.

A PEAL OF 5024 GAINSBOROUGH SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 4 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

*PETER J. HERITAGE Treble	CHARLES COLES .. . 5
EDGAR J. SMITH 2	*CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. 6
*CHRISTINE C. MACNAIR .. 3	*DERMOT J. ROAF .. . 7
*NICHOLAS J. MARTIN .. . 4	ALAN R. PINK Tenor

Composed by P. G. K. DAVIES. Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.
* First peal in the method.

Rung to welcome Eleanor Jane, born to Caroline and Dermot Roaf on January 8th, 1963.

LEIGH, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Jan. 30, 1963, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5088 LEIGH BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt.

NORMAN TOMPKINS Treble	IAN MUNRO .. . 5
ALBERT GREENHALGH .. . 2	GEOFFREY FOTHERGILL .. . 6
JAMES CUNLIFFE 3	JOSEPH THORNLEY .. . 7
ROGER LEIGH 4	JOHN ASHCROFT .. . Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by JOHN ASHCROFT.

First complete peal in the method.

SAWLEY, DERBYSHIRE.

THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM SOCIETY.

On Wed., Jan. 30, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 4 lb. in G.

DAVID J. ORLEDGE Treble	ROBERT E. DAY .. . 5
*JOHN G. HALLETT .. . 2	DAVID W. FRIEND .. . 6
DEBORAH HOPKINS .. . 3	RICHARD C. L. BROWN .. . 7
†ROY R. TIFFIN .. . 4	EDMUND SHUTTLEWORTH .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by DAVID W. FRIEND.

* First peal on eight bells. † First of Plain Bob.

BALDOCK, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

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

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5056 SHOREDITCH SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 26½ cwt.

G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. Treble	COLIN A. S. HARWOOD .. 5
*CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 2	*EDWIN G. BUCK .. . 6
MICHAEL D. STANFORTH .. 3	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 7
ERIC EDMONDSON .. . 4	JACK S. DEAR Tenor

Composed by JOHN R. MAYNE. Conducted by G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY.
* 50th peal together. First in the method by all except the conductor.

BIRSTALL, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

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

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22½ cwt.

NEVILLE J. PARKIN Treble	GEOFFREY F. BRYANT .. . 5
B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. . 2	W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. . 6
S. BARRY SCHOFIELD .. . 3	J. HENRY FIELDEN .. . 7
JOHN F. BRYANT .. . 4	RICHARD E. PRICE .. . Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH. Conducted by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

GOOLE SURPRISE MAJOR

—34—6—56—38—14—5.16—16.7

8ths place L.E. 17856342. 6ths place bob.

This is Corrigan's No. 331 (Whitby, now renamed).

BOTTESFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 2, 1963, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

A PEAL OF 5056 ZELAH SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb. in E flat.

RAYMOND BENFIELD Treble	*WILLIAM L. EXTON 5
EDMUND SHUTTLEWORTH 2	RICHARD C. L. BROWN 6
DEBORAH HOPKINS 3	DAVID W. FRIEND 7
DAVID J. ORLEDGE 4	*J. DAVID CLARKE Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by DAVID W. FRIEND.

* 25th peal together. First in the method by all the band, and for the Guild.

BURNLEY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 2, 1963, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

At the Parish Church of St. Peter.

A PEAL OF 5056 NAILSTONE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 8 lb. in E.

CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE .. Treble	RICHARD J. PARKER 5
*PHILIP J. CROSSTHWAITE .. 2	NORMAN SMITH 6
MARYL R. CROSSTHWAITE .. 3	ERIO J. F. WALL 7
JOHN P. PARTINGTON .. 4	WALTER E. WILKINSON .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by NORMAN SMITH.

* First peal of Surprise 'inside.' First in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

Rung for the annual parish social this evening.

DEDDINGTON, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 2, 1963, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

At the Church of SS. PETER and PAUL,

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 10 lb. in E.

NOEL R. WAITE Treble	ROBERT A. REEVES 5
JENNIFER SCENEY 2	BARRY J. DAVIES 6
*HOWARD OGLESBY 3	CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. 7
RONALD K. RUSS 4	MICHAEL W. COLEMAN .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by MICHAEL W. COLEMAN.

* 75th peal.

HARROW-ON-THE-HILL, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION & LONDON DIO. GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 2, 1963, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 4 lb. in E.

*ROGER A. GAGE Treble	ROBIN A. HODGSON 5
ROSEMARY FLEMING 2	THOMAS G. HAWKINS 6
ELSIE K. HART 3	DAVID J. TAYLOR 7
H. GEORGE HART 4	JOHN R. MAYNE Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

* First peal. First of Surprise on the recast bells.

HUGHENDEN, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 2, 1963, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

A PEAL OF 5088 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

ROBERT NEWTON Treble	ARTHUR NEWTON 5
*JOYCE I. BARTON 2	SYDNEY M. BAILEY 6
ROLAND BIGGS 3	ERNEST F. WILLCOX 7
PERCY NEWTON 4	DAVID A. CORNWALL .. Tenor

Composed by A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by DAVID A. CORNWALL.

* First peal in the method 'inside.'

KEYNSHAM, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 2, 1963, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes,

At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,

A PEAL OF 5152 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 27 cwt.

*JACQUELINE A. REASON .. Treble	BRYNLEY A. SHACKLETON .. 5
*PETER BRIDLE 2	*DON C. EXELL 6
*MICHAEL J. HOBBS 3	D. JOHN HUNT 7
REGINALD G. HOOPER .. 4	JOHN H. GILBERT Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

* First peal of New Cambridge.

KIRTLINGTON, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 2, 1963, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF 5024 PLOUGHLEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in E.

CYRIL H. KINCH Treble	WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM 5
DAVID P. HILLING 2	GEORGE W. HOLLAND 6
EDGAR J. SMITH 3	WILFRID G. WILSON 7
WILLIAM A. YATES 4	ALAN R. PINK Tenor

Composed by E. W. TIPLER (B.60). Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

First peal in the method (Tipler's B 62/1).

Rung for the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 2, 1963, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

At the Parish Church of St. Peter.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 17 cwt. 4 lb. in F.

STUART J. CORSON Treble	RONALD H. DOVE 5
JOHN WEAVER 2	NICHOLAS WEBB 6
JOHN A. SYKES 3	C. BARRIE DOVE 7
ANTHONY E. STAMP 4	RODNEY SMITH Tenor

Composed by B. ANNABLE.

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

Rung half-muffled in memory of the Rt. Hon. Hugh Gaitskell, leader of H.M. Opposition and Member of Parliament for Leeds South.

MUCH WENLOCK, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 2, 1963, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,

At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 8 lb.

MARY C. POYNER Treble	RICHARD E. MORRIS 5
DEREK B. WILLIAMS 2	*MICHAEL R. WYCHERLEY .. 6
F. HECTOR BENNETT 3	EDWARD V. RODENHURST .. 7
PETER MORRIS 4	PHILIP J. EVANS Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by PHILIP J. EVANS.

* 25th peal, all for the Shropshire Association. First of Major as conductor.

Rung in memory of Mr. Harry Edge, former tower captain and respected member of the Shropshire Association, who passed away on January 6th, 1962.

NEWCHURCH, WARRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 2, 1963, in 3 Hours,

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt.

PETER WATSON Treble	DEREK OGDEN 5
SIDNEY HOUGH, JUN. 2	NEIL BENNETT 6
JOHN ROBINSON 3	FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. 7
JOHN H. FIELDEN 4	DENIS MOTTERSHEAD .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (C.C.C. No 8).

Conducted by DENIS MOTTERSHEAD.

Rung to mark the Rev. J. Preston's commencement as Rector of this parish.

SOUTHAMPTON.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 2, 1963, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael,

A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

Comprising 2,688 Cambridge and 2,368 Yorkshire: with 93 changes of method. Middletons.

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb. in F.

*MALCOLM M. POWELL .. Treble	†PETER J. JOYCE 5
DEREK C. JACKSON 2	DAVID J. FORDER 6
†JOHN R. FAITHFULL 3	†MICHAEL J. THOMAS 7
†CAROLYN VIBERT 4	DAVID E. HOUSE Tenor

Arranged by NORMAN SMITH.

Conducted by DAVID E. HOUSE.

* First peal on more than three bells. † First of Spliced Surprise Major. First of Spliced as conductor. First of 2-Spliced by the rest of the band, and on the bells.

Rung as a compliment to R. Roger Savory and Elizabeth Trent on their engagement.

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FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

BLAYDON-ON-TYNE, COUNTY DURHAM.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Jan. 24, 1963, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Wells, London, Beverley, Surfleet, Durham, York and Cambridge. Tenor 6 cwt. 27 lb. in B.
GEORGE S. DEAS .. Treble | J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. 4
ERIC N. HARRISON .. 2 | ALAN R. PATTERSON .. 5
JOHN E. ANDERSON .. 3 | BRYAN PATTISON .. Tenor

Conducted by BRYAN PATTISON.

PACKINGTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Tues., Jan. 29, 1963, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY ROOD,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in nine methods: (1) Hereward, (2) D. Court, (3) S. Court, (4) S. Oxford, (5) Plain and Double, (6) Kent and Oxford, (7) Cambridge Surprise. Tenor 7 cwt.
WILLIAM F. WOODWARD .. Treble | RICHARD CLIFTON .. 4
JOSEPH W. COTTON .. 2 | GORDON LANE .. 5
JOHN K. SMITH .. 3 | ROLAND BENISTON .. Tenor

Conducted by ROLAND BENISTON.

HARSTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE UNIVERSITIES' ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Jan. 31, 1963, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb. in B flat.
*PAT J. BRYAN .. Treble | R. MARK DAMERELL .. 4
†CHRISTOPHER J. REES .. 2 | CHRISTOPHER H. ROGERS .. 5
HADLEY HUNTER .. 3 | S. CLARKE WALTERS .. Tenor

Conducted by HADLEY HUNTER.

* First peal. † First of Surprise. First of Surprise, and on tower bells, as conductor. First of Cambridge Minor for all except conductor.

COUNTRESTHORPE, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., Feb. 1, 1963, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

A PEAL OF 5040 DURHAM SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 17 lb.
*R. KINGSLEY MASON .. Treble | †JOHN M. JELLEY .. 4
†RUSSELL S. MORRIS .. 2 | †A. JAMES POYNOR .. 5
*ALAN E. HARTLEY .. 3 | †BRIAN S. CHAPMAN .. Tenor

Conducted by A. JAMES POYNOR.

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

KEELE, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE ST. JOHN SOCIETY.
On Fri., Feb. 1, 1963, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In five methods, being 2,160 Cambridge Surprise and an extent each of Kent Treble Bob, Single Oxford Bob, St. Clement's College Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt. in A.
E. JAMES MILES .. Treble | K. PETER JONES .. 4
MICHAEL WILSHAW .. 2 | M. KEITH SWINGWOOD .. 5
*PHILIP GAY .. 3 | DENNIS LATHAM .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL WILSHAW.

* Most methods rung to a peal.

BUGBROOKE, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 2, 1963, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 21 methods, being two extents each of Stedman, Grandsire, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Northrepps Pleasure, Fortune, All Saints, Rushall, Marchington, St. Simon, St. Martin, Winchendon Place, Plain Bob, Kennington, Old, April Day, Seighford, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Southrepps Pleasure, Clifford's Pleasure, St. Columba and Little Aston. Tenor 14 cwt. 14 lb. in F.
GEORGE F. ROOME .. Treble | *ALAN A. PAUL .. 3
*ROGER W. SMITH .. 2 | *GRAHAM C. PAUL .. 4
ALAN C. COZENS .. Tenor

Conducted by GRAHAM C. PAUL.

* First peal in 21 methods. First in 21 methods on the bells.
Rung on the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

FULBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 2, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents, each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.
JOHN F. HOODLESS .. Treble | CHARLES R. MUXLOW .. 4
GEORGE SCOTT .. 2 | WALTER WESTON .. 5
HARRY BARNES .. 3 | JAMES H. MUSSON .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.

A compliment to Mr. George Scott, who celebrated his 85th birthday on January 28th and has completed 69 years as a ringer; also a birthday compliment to Mrs. G. E. Barnes, wife of the ringer of the third.

LITTLE CHART, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Feb. 2, 1963, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY OF THE HOLY ROOD,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. in B.
PEGGY SKINNER .. Treble | ALAN BERRY .. 4
PAUL A. BATCHELOR .. 2 | CRAWFORD T. HILLIS .. 5
PETER RICHARDSON .. 3 | DENNIS A. CHAPMAN .. Tenor

Conducted by CRAWFORD T. HILLIS.

Rung half-muffled in memory of Joseph J. Batchelor, father of the ringer of the second, churchwarden and captain of the ringers of this church, and Ashford District representative of this Association.

MILLAND, SUSSEX.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Feb. 2, 1963, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being six extents of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, 16 of Plain Bob and 20 of Grandsire. Tenor 12 cwt. 23 lb. in F sharp.
*SUSAN J. ELLENOR .. Treble | *DAVID M. HUGHES .. 4
*KEITH SANSOM .. 2 | BRIAN R. WALTON .. 5
†KENNETH A. TIPPER .. 3 | ALAN W. BETSWORTH .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN R. WALTON.

* First peal of Doubles. † First peal. First as conductor.
Rung as a tribute to the Rev. C. A. Millen, Rector of Warnford, an associate member of the above Guild, who died suddenly during the week.

PENHOW, MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Feb. 2, 1963, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF 5040 UNION BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents, with four callings. Tenor 5 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb. in B.
*TIMOTHY J. LAKER .. Treble | N. KENNETH WINSPEAR .. 4
MICHAEL HOULT .. 2 | WILLIAM F. SCUDAMORE .. 5
JOHN HOULT .. 3 | PETER D. LAWRENCE .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM F. SCUDAMORE.

* First peal. First in the method on the bells. First of Doubles in the method for the Association.

STONEHOUSE, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY.
On Sat., Feb. 2, 1963, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CYR.

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Norwich, Ipswich, London, Wells, Durham, York and Cambridge Surprise. Tenor 17½ cwt.
*JUDITH M. ATKINSON .. Treble | *ANTONY R. KENCH .. 4
†C. MARTIN FOSTER .. 2 | *IAN C. MAYCOCK .. 5
PATRICK J. BIRD .. 3 | BRIAN J. WYLDE .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN C. MAYCOCK.

* First peal of Surprise Minor. † First of Surprise. First of seven Surprise Minor for the Society, and by all the band except the tenor ringer.

Rung as an engagement compliment to Brian J. Wylde and Barbara Stevens, both members of the Society.

ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Blackburn Branch.)
On Sun., Feb. 3, 1963, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (four different callings). Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in G.
ERIC J. F. WALL .. Treble | ROGER LEIGH .. 4
DEREK A. STEER .. 2 | ANTHONY J. HELLIWELL .. 5
PETER L. NICHOLSON .. 3 | *TREVOR C. HALSTEAD .. Tenor

Conducted by ROGER LEIGH.

* First peal.

HANDBELL PEALS

BUSHEY HEATH, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Tues., Jan. 29, 1963, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes,
AT 39, TITIAN AVENUE.

A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.
*S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN 1—2 | *ROGER BALDWIN .. 5—6
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY 3—4 | *ANTHONY R. MANN .. 7—8
Composed by E. BARNETT. Conducted by CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY.

* First peal in the method on handbells.

HALIFAX, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Jan. 30, 1963, in 3 Hours,
AT 18, CHESTER ROAD.

A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES

JOHN F. BRYANT .. 1—2 | WILFRID F. MORETON .. 7—8
ROBERT E. MOULDS .. 3—4 | GEOFFREY F. BRYANT .. 9—10
J. HENRY FIELDEN .. 5—6 | J. NEVILLE PARKIN .. 11—12
Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.

BILSTON, STAFFS.—On Jan. 18th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Horton (first of Minor) 1, R. M. Hodister 2, J. D. Holden (cond.) 3, D. Cadwallader (first of Minor 'inside') 4, E. E. Speake 5, F. Holden 6. Rung as a thanksgiving for the work of Rev. G. Shrimpton, who has left the parish to take up a curacy at High Wycombe, and as a welcome to Revs. John Meek and Ray Price.

BRANCEPETH, CO. DURHAM.—On Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Felicity Dicken (first quarter) 1, Janet Cleeve 2, Gillian Webb 3, Martin Roff 4, Peter Newing 5, Lawrence Pizzey (cond.) 6. By Durham Colleges Society, for the Feast of the Purification of St. Mary the Virgin.

BRISTOL.—At St. Ambrose's Church, on Jan. 27th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. Hibbert 1, Patricia Hibbert 2, F. J. Sampson 3, Gillian M. Hussey 4, J. Hibbert 5, B. A. Shackleton 6, C. Hibbert (cond.) 7, D. J. Hunt 8.

CAMBRIDGE.—On Feb. 3rd, at the Church of St. Andrew-the-Great, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: Hilary Muirhead (cond.) 1, S. C. Walters 2, B. Clare Webster 3, P. J. Bryan (first of Surprise) 4, V. Nutton 5, J. M. H. Hunter 6, I. M. Smith 7, A. J. Griffin 8.

CARSHALTON, SURREY.—On Jan. 28th, 1,280 Bristol Surprise Major: Jean L. Lavender 1, F. E. Darby 2, Olive D. Tester 3, R. E. Finch 4, R. J. Talbot 5, R. J. Lee 6, J. Schofield 7, S. F. Kimber (cond.) 8. Rung as a wedding anniversary compliment to Colin and Olive Tester.

CORSLEY, WILTS.—On Feb. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. P. F. Tambling 1, E. C. Shepherd 2, E. E. Norris 3, L. E. Hawkins 4, N. G. Knee (cond.) 5, R. Holly 6. Rung half-muffled at the funeral of Mr. Toby Miller, a ringer at Horningsham and Corsley for over 40 years.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.—On Feb. 2nd, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: T. Briggs (first quarter) 1, D. Kingman (first 'inside') 2, G. Paulson 3, H. Taylor 4, A. Laughton (first 'inside') 5, R. H. Bullen (cond.) 6.

DARLINGTON, CO. DURHAM.—At St. Cuthbert's, on Jan. 27th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: T. Cooke (cond.) 1, Mrs. L. Warrior 2, Miss J. Cooke 3, Mrs. T. Cooke 4, M. Bland 5, E. Pannell 6, T. Cox 7, F. Hodgson 8. For Evensong.

DORKING, SURREY.—On Feb. 3rd, 1,232 Grandsire Triples: Celia Arminson 1, Allison Read (first 'inside') 2, Ethel Clear 3, G. F. Pratt 4, C. A. Read 5, B. Coward (first 'inside') 6, A. P. Cannon (comp. and cond.) 7, R. Way 8. Rung as a compliment to the Rev. Canon K. D. Evans on his preferment to the Archdeaconry of Dorking, and a Residuary Canonry in Guildford Cathedral.

ENFIELD, MIDDLESEX.—On Jan. 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss L. Fletcher (first quarter) 1, J. Dugan 2, H. Howson 3, R. Wood 4, T. Hawkins 5, J. Towers (cond.) 6.

FORDINGBRIDGE, HANTS.—On Jan. 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: I. Miles 1, A. V. Davis 2, Yvonne Elio 3, Ann Abrahams 4, R. Haines 5, F. Southwood 6, R. N. Marlow (cond.) 7, J. O. Coleman 8.

GRANBY, NOTTS.—On Jan. 15th, 1,440 Minor (Oxford, Single Oxford Bob and Plain Bob): R. Mills 1, S. Meredith 2, T. Dutton 3, D. Bradley 4, M. Exton 5, F. Bradley (cond.) 6. Rung to celebrate the engagement of Miss Christine Froggatt and Mr. Brian Mills.

HERSHAM, SURREY.—On Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Bailey (first quarter) 1, Miss G. Moorings 2, Mrs. P. Bird 3, Mrs. A. Smith 4, C. Webb 5, C. M. Chinnery 6, J. King (cond.) 7, V. Smith 8. For Evensong.

HESTON, MIDDX.—On Jan. 26th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: J. Sansom 1, Miss C. Andrews 2, Miss G. Baresel 3, Miss F. Pocock 4, J. Hill (cond.) 5, P. Ruch 6, F. Price 7, D. Knox 8.

HOLBEACH, Lincs.—On Feb. 3rd, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: M. J. Rains (first quarter) 1, Miss J. A. Vellam 2, P. T. Sanders (first 'inside') 3, A. D. Marshall 4, C. A. McCall 5, R. D. Bailey 6, R. B. Sanders (comp. and cond.) 7, K. R. Davey 8. Rung for Missionary Service by Sunday service band.

HONITON, DEVON.—On Jan. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (4, 6, 8 covering): K. Broom 1, C. Manley 2, A. Hodge 3, J. Real 4, D. Salter 5, W. Baker 6, W. Webb (cond.) 7, R. Watts 8. A compliment to the Rev. R. A. Babbington on his induction as Rector of Honiton.

HORSELL, SURREY.—On Feb. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss G. Moorings 1, Miss P. Drury 2, Mrs. P. Bird 3, J. Martin 4, J. King 5, C. Webb (cond.) 6. For afternoon service.

IRNHAM, Lincs.—On Jan. 31st, 1,680 Plain Bob Doubles: B. J. Hansford (16) 1, C. F. Baxter 2, R. D. Baxter (15) 3, M. G. Buckberry (16) 4, D. R. Baxter (cond., 16) 5. First quarter by all, and first quarter on the bells by an all-local band. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. H. Lyon, late head gardener of Irnham Estate.

QUARTER PEALS

KEMERTON, GLOS.—On Jan. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Jones 1, F. Wood 2, M. Walker 3, J. Attwood 4, C. Brazier 5, P. Verney 6. First quarter for 1, 3 and 6; conducting shared by 2 and 4. Rung in honour of the enthronement of the Rt. Rev. B. T. Guy as Bishop of Gloucester.

KING'S NORTON, BIRMINGHAM.—On Feb. 4th, 1,285 Grandsire Caters: Miss P. M. Fearn (first on ten) 1, Miss L. M. Hughes 2, Miss A. M. Greaves 3, Miss S. Funnell 4, Miss A. E. Fellows 5, M. C. Hughes (first 'inside' on ten) 6, J. K. Foot 7, G. Davies 8, R. W. Pipe (cond.) 9, I. C. Maycock 10. For Evensong.

LECKHAMPTON, GLOS.—On Feb. 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Terence Stephens 1, Hugh Reed 2, Anthony Newman 3, Brian Reed (first 'inside') 4, A. Pendlebury (cond.) 5, Curate and Parish Clerk 6. The Parish Clerk took over the last five minutes from the Curate as the latter had to prepare for service.

LONDON.—On Feb. 3rd, at St. Vedast's, Foster Lane, 1,259 Doubles (four methods): P. Erith 1, Rosemary Rich 2, M. Powell 3, M. P. Barton 4, N. J. Davies (cond.) 5. For Mattins.

MAIDSTONE, KENT.—At St. Michael and All Angels' Church, on Jan. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Dorothy Groves (first quarter) 1, Diana Coates (first 'inside') 2, J. Crayford 3, M. Howe 4, E. Jenner (cond.) 5, D. Waight 6.

PACKWOOD, WARWICKS.—On Feb. 4th, 1,248 Lincolnshire Surprise Major: R. E. Tallis (sen.) 1, I. C. Maycock 2, Miss S. Funnell 3, Miss A. E. Fellows 4, Miss L. M. Hughes 5, M. C. Hughes 6, J. K. Foot 7, G. Davies (cond.) 8. First in method for 2, 5, 6, 7. For Evensong.

PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.—On Jan. 27th, at St. Mary's Church, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: G. Davies 1, G. Cowlin 2, Wendy Hollowell 3, B. Branstion 4, R. Spencer (cond.) 5, R. Daw 6. For morning service, and a 21st birthday compliment to Michael Roberts, a ringer at this church. Also at St. Mary's Church, on Feb. 3rd, 1,260 Minor (Plain Bob and Little Bob): M. Roberts 1, Miss W. Hollowell 2, G. Cowlin 3, B. Branstion 4, R. Daw 5, M. Parker (cond.) 6. For morning service.

PORTSMOUTH.—On Jan. 30th, at the Cathedral, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. Page 1, Mrs. M. J. Page 2, L. D. Duguid 3, T. R. Taylor 4, H. A. Nobes 5, A. F. Sturges 6, F. W. Rogers (cond.) 7, R. Harris 8. In memoriam Mrs. A. Verrill, of Gosport, a life member of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild, who died on January 15th, aged 92. Rung with the bells 'open'.

PUTTENHAM, SURREY.—On Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Grandsire and Plain Bob): B. G. D. Vince 1, Nicolai Stroud 2, Pamela Hunter 3, A. C. A. Hunter 4, Elizabeth Stevinson (cond.) 5, R. Stevens 6. First quarter in more than one method by all the band.

ROTHERHAM, YORKS.—On Feb. 3rd, 1,236 Little Bob Major: Richard Lindsay 1, J. Bruce 2, D. Nichols 3, Mrs. M. Burns 4, S. Armeson 5, N. Donovan 6, N. Chaddock 7, J. N. D. Chaddock (cond.) 8. A birthday compliment to the treble ringer.

ROTHERHITHE, LONDON.—On Feb. 3rd, 1,264 Little Bob Major: M. Ferrier 1, Barbara Leigh 2, Katharine Guy 3, P. W. Harper 4, M. Foster 5, G. Clarke 6, P. Clarke 7, P. G. Erith (cond.) 8. First in the method by all except the conductor.

SAXILBY, Lincs.—On Feb. 3rd, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: M. Keyworth 1, Pamela A. Cox 2, M. L. Mann 3, H. W. Cox 4, J. B. Nicholson 5, J. M. Blaikie (cond.) 6. For Evensong, and a tribute to Mr. H. Hardy on completion of 60 years' service in the choir.

SEALE, SURREY.—On Jan. 22nd, 1,260 Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob Minor: Maj. J. Bragg 1, E. Gardner 2, P. S. Smart 3, C. Poyntz 4, W. Viggers 5, T. Page (cond.) 6. For induction of the Rev. I. A. M. Edlin.

STOURBRIDGE, WORCS.—At St. Thomas' Church, on Jan. 28th, 1,272 Plain Bob Minor: F. J. Vallender 1, Barbara Stephens 2, F. V. Nicholls 3, M. J. Fellows 4, G. Westwood (cond.) 5, M. D. Fellows 6. Rung on the back six as a compliment to Miss Barbara Stephens and Mr. Brian J. Wyld on their recent engagement.

STRATTON, CORNWALL.—On Jan. 13th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: H. Heard 1, C. Sangwin 3, E. Nunn 4, H. Trewin 5, J. W. Sangwin 6, H. Stacey (cond.) 7, J. Hockridge (covering) 8.

TERRINGTON ST. JOHN, NORFOLK.—On Jan. 30th, 1,260 Ipswich Surprise Minor: Cyril Cousins 1, W. W. Cousins 2, J. Fox 3, F. Wigmore 4, E. H. Maslin (cond.) 5, Claude Cousins 6.

TICKHILL, YORKS.—On Jan. 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Turner 1, W. Cannings 2, K. Durdy 3, R. Watkinson 4, A. Jewitt (cond.) 5, A. Hulley 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Charles Green, vergar at this church for 20 years.

WALTON-LE-DALE, LANCASHIRE.—On Jan. 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. B. Clarke 1, D. Harwood 2, W. Mansley 3, H. Hardacre 4, L. Burrows (first as cond.) 5, F. Stead 6. A farewell tribute to the Rev. J. R. Brook, who is leaving the parish after nine years' faithful ministry.

WAREHAM, DORSET.—On Jan. 27th, 1,260 Doubles (in six methods): M. J. Young 1, G. W. Elmes 2, Judith A. Robertson 3, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 4, C. A. Bull 5, J. R. H. Palmer 6. First in six methods by all. Rung as a compliment to C. A. Bull on his recent coming-of-age. Also on Feb. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: R. W. Young 1, M. J. Young 2, Judith A. Robertson 3, R. G. W. Robertson 4, G. W. Elmes (first as cond. in method) 5, J. R. H. Palmer 6. First in method by 1 and 2. Rung for the Festival of St. Anskar, of Sweden.

WATFORD, HERTS.—On Feb. 3rd, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: S. Laud 1, G. Avent 2, R. G. Smith 3, W. G. Paul 4, Jennifer M. Bunyan 5, A. Hickson 6, R. D. Bell 7, D. Laud 8, R. G. Bell (cond.) 9, G. W. Seaman 10. For Evensong. A birthday compliment to the conductor.

WELFORD-ON-AVON, WARWICKSHIRE.—On Dec. 30th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: A. Colman 1, G. D. Cooper 2, B. Hancox 3, A. E. Marshall (cond.) 4, D. M. Hancox 5, G. Clark 6. For carol service.

WESTHAM, SUSSEX.—On Feb. 4th, 1,260 Doubles (789 Grandsire, 480 Plain Bob): D. R. Fuller 1, R. J. Fuller 2, J. M. Swift 3, A. R. Baldock 4, T. M. Barlow (first as cond. in more than one method) 5, W. A. Binsted 6.



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STIMSON.—On February 7th, 1963, to Sue and Michael, a son, Anthony Martin, brother for John and Caroline. 1960

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For I know Whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day. (2. Tim i. 12.)

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HARTEST, SUFFOLK.—Dedication, new treble bell, Saturday, March 30th, 3 p.m. Full particulars later.—P.p. the Rector, L. Wright. 1936

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.—The tower secretary is now Mr. M. Layton, 19, Burleigh Close, Strood, near Rochester, Kent (phone Strood 79309), to whom all applications for the bells should be sent. 1944

ST. MARY CRAY, Parish Church.—Please note that practice night will until further notice be on Wednesdays (except fourth Wednesday) at 7.45 p.m. 1955

SOCIETY OF RAMBLING RINGERS.—The 1963 (Cornwall and Devon) tour lists are now available. S.A.E., please, large enough to take a folded foolscap sheet. Lists for the first week will not be sent unless specifically requested. Subscriptions (5s.) are also due.—W. A. Lacey, Hon. Sec., 99, Hollow Road, Anstey, Leicester. 1888

SPALDING, Lincs.—No practice Tuesday, Feb. 19th. Annual meeting and dinner at Greyhound Hotel, Spalding, at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 19th, 1963. 1947

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SURPRISE MAJOR practice at Holy Trinity, Guildford, on Thursday, Feb. 21st. Methods: Bristol, Cambridge, London, Pudsey, Rutland, Cambridge. Superlative and London Spliced. 1971

MEETINGS

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Peak District.—Meeting at St. Giles', Matlock, Saturday, February 16th. Bells 3 p.m. For teas please advise Mr. Kingman, 40, Lynholmes, Matlock.—Mrs. G. Richardson, D's. Sec. 1917

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Hunts District.—Meeting, Buckden, Saturday, Feb. 16th. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Tea 5. Service 6 p.m.—M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 1957

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting, Wisbech St. Mary, Saturday, February 16th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 1911

LADIES' GUILD.—Beds and Northants District.—A.D.M. at Irthlingborough on Saturday, February 16th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea (5.15 p.m.) to be sent to Mr. A. Bigley, 30, Allen Road, Irthlingborough, Wellingborough. Please make every effort to attend. 1908

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.—Meeting, Rawtenstall, Saturday, Feb. 16th. Bells from 3 p.m.—J. Porter. 1964

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Practice, Feb. 16th, Ealing. St. Stephen's, 3 to 4.45 p.m.; St. Mary's, 6.15 to 8 p.m. Own tea arrangements. Some District business to discuss at 7 p.m.—F. T. B. 1925

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SUFFOLK GUILD.—N.E. District.—Annual meeting at Halesworth on Saturday, February 16th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Miss M. Branch, Fern Bank, Bungay Road, Halesworth. 1915

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.—Annual Divisional meeting, Southover (10), Saturday, February 16th. Bells 3 p.m. Special method: Double Norwich. Names for tea, please, to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierpoint. 1914

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting at Conisbrough, February 16th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Tea in the Church Hall at 5 p.m. Names to Mrs. Braithwaite, The Vicarage, Conisbrough, Doncaster. All welcome.—J. J. L. Gilbert 1909

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Committee meeting, King's Head Hotel, Matlock, Wednesday, Feb. 20th, 7.30 p.m. Sir A. P. Heywood memorial dinner, Derby, Saturday, March 2nd—all tickets sold. Bells available: St. Peter's (8), 3.30 to 6.15 p.m. Annual general meeting, Derby, Saturday, April 20th: details later. Nominations for officers close March 20th.—B. P. Morris, Sec. 1934

LADIES' GUILD.—North Western District.—An informal meeting will be held at Manchester Cathedral on Wednesday, Feb. 20th. Bells available from 7.30 p.m.—H. L. Horn, Dis. Sec. 1965

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Axbridge Branch.—Practice meeting, Bleadon, Saturday, Feb. 23rd. Bells (6) 5 p.m. 1905

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Crewkerne Branch.—Practice meeting, Merriott, Saturday, Feb. 23rd, 7 p.m.—J. T. Locke, Hon. Sec. 1942

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—Meeting, Saturday, Feb. 23rd, Leighton Buzzard. Bells (10) from 3 p.m. Short service 4.30. Tea 5. Further ringing until 7.45 p.m. Names for tea, please, by the 21st, to Mr. John Clapp, 49, Vandyke Road, Leighton Buzzard, Beds.—K. G. Spavins, Dis. Sec. 1958

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wirral Branch.—Annual meeting, Bromborough, Feb. 23rd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea free for those notifying by Thursday previous.—Alexander J. Martin, 19, Falcon Road, Birkenhead. 1958

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Ilkeston District.—Joint meeting with the Sherwood Youths, Ilkeston (8), Saturday, Feb. 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 20th, to Mr. D. W. Camm, 103, Thorpe's Road, Heanor, Derbyshire. 1956

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Derby and Ilkeston District) and THE SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.—Joint meeting, Saturday, Feb. 23rd, Ilkeston (8). Bells 3.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to me.—M. R. Blore, Derby Dis. Sec., 67, Park Grove, Derby. 1956

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting, Adwick-le-Street (6), Saturday, Feb. 23rd, 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names to John Laughton, 95, Tenter Baulk Lane, Adwick-le-Street.—R. Stephenson, Hon. Sec. 1937

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Rural Branch.—Practice meeting, Stapleton (6), Feb. 23rd, 6 p.m. No tea. 1949

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hereford District.—Annual meeting, Saturday, Feb. 23rd. Bells: St. Nicholas' and Cathedral, 2.30 p.m.; All Saints', 6.30. Service, St. Peter's, 4.15 p.m. Tea and meeting, St. Peter's Church House. Names for tea by Feb. 20th.—T. E. Wood, 43, Merestone Road, Redhill, Hereford. 1948

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leominster District.—Annual meeting, Leominster, Feb. 23rd. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. 1972

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Ludlow and Church Stretton District.—Annual meeting, Ludlow, Saturday, Feb. 23rd. Bells (8) 3.15 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Teas.—G. Randle, Ashford, Ludlow. 1941

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—Feb. 23rd, St. Stephen's, St. Albans. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Special method: Surfleet. Regret talk cancelled. Names for tea, please, to Miss C. Rimmer, 185, Tippendale Lane, St. Albans, Herts.—M. A. Coburn. 1948

LADIES' GUILD (Central District), MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION (South and West District) and OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (East Berks and South Bucks Branch).—Joint meeting at Beaconsfield, Saturday, February 23rd. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 5, followed by tea and social evening. Ringing, Penn, 2.30 to 3.30 p.m. Names for tea by 19th, please, to Miss Hague, 6 Stompsits Road, Holyport, Maidenhead.—Mrs. Bullock, E. T. Blagrove, Miss Hague. 1913

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—Meeting, The Saviour, Bolton, Saturday, Feb. 23rd. Bells 4.30 until 8 p.m. No tea. Lovely 8 here; tenor. All welcome.—Thornley, Sec. 1939

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Next meeting, Horbury, Feb. 23rd. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea must be forwarded by Wednesday, Feb. 20th, to J. E. Dews, Home Croft, Hall Cliffe, Horbury, Wakefield. Tea available only on request.

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Melton District.—Meeting, Feb. 23rd, Harby (5). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in Village Hall, 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to Mr. J. Butcher, Harby, near Melton Mowbray. 1938

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—Annual meeting at Spalding, Saturday, February 23rd. Bells (8) available 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to Mrs. R. C. Noon, 13, Pennygate, Spalding. St. Paul's, Fulney, bells (8) also available 2.30-4 p.m.—B. B. Tyrrell, Hon. Sec. 1906

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—West Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Lea, Saturday, February 23rd. Bells afternoon and evening. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify Miss P. Lunn, Crow Garth, Lea, Gainsborough. Tel. 2623 by previous Tuesday. Special methods: London Scholars' Pleasure and Single Oxford 1916

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.—Llandaff Branch.—Annual meeting, Llantrisant, Saturday, February 23rd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business to follow.—R. E. Coles, Branch Sec. 1894

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Western Branch.—Annual meeting at Fakenham, Saturday, February 23rd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday, February 21st, to Mr. G. Cooke, 24, Back Street, Hempton, Fakenham.—C. Tovell, Hon. Sec. 1919

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—V.W.H. Branch.—Annual meeting, Faringdon, Saturday, Feb. 23rd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea at Salutation Hotel. Names, please, by Wednesday, Feb. 20th, to R. F. J. Gilling, Branch Sec., Fernham, Faringdon, Berks. 1946

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Salisbury Branch.—Practice meeting, South Newton, February 23rd. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea, at The Bell, 5 p.m. Names by 19th, please, to Miss Eloic, 8, Albany Road, Salisbury. 1900

SALISBURY GUILD.—West Dorset Branch.—Langford-Beams memorial meeting, Bradpole, Saturday, Feb. 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to I. L. Andrews, 9, Court Close, Bradpole, Bridport, Dorset. 1940

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Evening meeting, Dawley (6), Saturday, Feb. 23rd. Ringing 6.30 to 8.30 p.m. 1886

SOUTHEAST AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Meeting, South Benfleet (6), Saturday, Feb. 23rd. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Cups of tea.—P. Sloman, Hon. Sec. 1933

STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.—Monthly evening practice meeting at St. Michael's, Brierley Hill, Saturday, Feb. 23rd. Bells (8) available 6.30 to 8.30 p.m. 1954

SUFFOLK GUILD.—West Central District.—Practice meeting, Worlingworth (8), Saturday, Feb. 23rd, 6.30 to 9 p.m.—L. E. Last, Dis. Sec. 1968

SUFFOLK GUILD.—S.W. District.—District meeting at Hadleigh, Saturday, February 23rd. Bells (8) 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by February 20th, please, to Miss E. R. M. Cansdale, 8, Brook Street, Bures. 1954

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Division.—Annual meeting, St. Mary's, Eastbourne, Feb. 23rd. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Please send names for tea to H. Reynolds, 10, Eastern Avenue, Polegate.—F. Beoney, Sec. 1945

APPLETON, BERKS.—The 145th anniversary will be held on March 2nd. Bells open 1.30 p.m. Dinner in Village Hall 6 p.m. Tickets, 10s., from F. A. White, Belfanger, Appleton, Abingdon, Berks, before February 23rd. 1895

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT.—Quarterly meeting, Kingswinford, March 2nd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Names for tea by Feb. 26th to me, please. A good attendance is desired as important matters will be discussed.—M. D. Fellows, Sec., 14, Western Road, Stourbridge, Wores. 1935

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Meeting on Saturday, March 2nd, at Great Yeldham. Bells (6) 2 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Members, please note: District striking competition takes place in the afternoon. All entering teams should meet at 1.50 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. M. Wood, 4, Duck End, Finchingfield, not later than Wednesday, February 27th. 1892

HEREFORD GUILD.—Bromyard District.—Annual meeting, Bredenbury, 4 p.m., Saturday, March 2nd. Service 6.15 p.m. Supper 7 p.m., by reservation only. Names by Feb. 27th to R. L. Price, 18, New Road, Bromyard. 1963

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—Meeting, Cliffe-at-Hoo, Saturday, March 2nd. Please note business meeting will be held, thus making this a quarterly meeting. Names for tea by previous Wednesday at the very latest to Mr. C. Chapman, Chicago House, Pond Hill, Cliffe, Rochester. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m.—L. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec. 1953

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Nottingham District.—Meeting, Saturday, March 2nd, Attenborough. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Cups of tea only. Look up Double Norwich.—S. Adams. 1962

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern District.—Meeting, Aberavon, Saturday, March 2nd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow.—J. A. Hoare, Hon. Dis. Sec. 1952

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.E. District.—Meeting, Fryerning, Saturday, March 9th. Bells (6) 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. Ingatstone in the evening. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury. 1966

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—By-meeting, Sturry, Saturday, March 9th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify by Tuesday, March 5th (together with cash).—T. C. Phillimore, 47, St. Peter's Grove, Canterbury. 1950

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual general committee meeting will be held at Marlow on Saturday, March 9th.—M. R. Cross. 1959

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.E. District.—Annual supper and social in Danbury Village Hall, Saturday, March 16th, 6.15 for 6.45 p.m. Tickets (6s.) by Wednesday, 13th, at the latest, from P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury. 1967

HILLINGDON JOINT MEETING OF LADIES' OXFORD AND MIDDLESEX GUILDS.—Unforeseen local circumstances necessitate this meeting being held later this year. Please reserve the new date, Nov. 9th.—S. Bullock, D. Hague and F. T. Blagrove, Branch and Dis. Secs. 1943

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WARBOROUGH, OXON.—On Jan. 17th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: R. Howes 1, V. Fox (first of Stedman) 2, F. Absalom 3, G. McIlhorne (cond.) 4, A. Howes 5. Rung for the 19th birthday of Margaret Thewlis.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

Towers were well represented at the annual District meeting held at St. Peter's, Mansfield, on January 26th.

Commencing at 3 p.m., the very pleasant ring of eight was put to good use until 4.30 p.m., when those present attended a short service, conducted by the Rev. J. W. Morley, before moving across to Grove House for tea.

At the business meeting the chair was taken by Mr. F. Adcock, in the absence of Mr. Fossey. The following new members were proposed and accepted: Messrs. G. Alcock, A. G. J. Bostock, R. Harrison and B. T. Cook, all of Kirkby-in-Ashfield, and C. Jaques, of Selston.

Although 1962 had seen a healthy increase in ringing members, the secretary, in his report, urged that more frequent attendances at meetings be made by all and particularly including the less experienced.

Mr. D. H. Rooke expressed the wish to retire as District secretary, and in doing so proposed Mr. D. J. Beach, of Greasley, as his successor. This was carried, there being no other nominations. The other District officers elected were: Chairman, S. W. Fossey; committee member, D. H. Rooke; Ringing Master, H. T. Rooke; deputy R.M., P. Nix.

It was decided to hold the March meeting at Greasley and the District contest of the Crawford cup competition at Hucknall in May.

Following the bell fund collection, the District Ringing Master outlined details of the Oswy Street memorial cup contest, with a view to its attaining more support.

In conclusion, sincere votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the ladies for providing such an excellent tea. On a proposal by Mr. Beach, the members also expressed to the retiring secretary their appreciation of his work over the five years since the District's inauguration.

Ringing, varying from rounds for the learners to Bristol Surprise, continued until 9 p.m.

D. J. B.

MR. R. KINGSLEY MASON'S 100 PEALS

Mr R. Kingsley Mason, of Leicester, rang his 100th peal with the peal of London Surprise Major at Cole-Orton, Leics. These have been rung in 39 different towers, in six counties, for nine Associations and by 22 different conductors. His varied list of peals is appended. (This does not include a false peal of Yorkshire Maximus, rung at Leicester.)

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Doubles.—Two methods 1.
Minor, 10.—Plain Bob 3, two methods 1, nine methods 2, ten methods 1, twelve methods 1, Oxford T.B. 1, Warwick Delight 1.

Surprise Minor, 4.—Cambridge 1, London 1, York 1, seven methods 1.

Triples, 7.—Grandsire 2, Stedman 5.
Major, 9.—Plain Bob 6, Loughborough College 1, Kent T.B. 1, Double Norwich 1.

Surprise Major, 39 (conducted 2).—Aldenham 1, Belgrave 1, Cambridge 10 (1), Claybrooke (at Claybrooke) 1, Ipswich 1, Lincolnshire 3, Llanfair P.G. 1, London 2, New Cambridge 1, Pudsey 1, Superlative 4, Turramurra 1, Warwickshire 1, Wychwood 1, Yorkshire 8 (1), 4-Spliced 1, 6-Spliced 1.

Caters, 5.—Grandsire 3, Stedman 2.
Royal, 4.—Plain Bob 1, Little Bob 2, Kent T.B. 1.

Surprise Royal, 18.—Anstey 1, Asfordby 1, Belgrave 1, Blaby 1, Diseworth 1, Elmesthorpe 1, Foston 1, Glenfield 1, Hemington 1, Horningbold 1, Ibstock 1, Jacobstowe 1, Nosely 1, Woodstock 1, Wye 1, Yorkshire 3.

Surprise Maximus, 3.—Cambridge 1, Lambeth 1, Yorkshire 1.

Total 100 (2).

Eighteen methods were rung for the first time.

BRISTOL UNIVERSITY DINNER—Contd.

weather. Everyone was in the same boat and should remember this duty. With this in mind he mentioned that the next day there would be early morning ringing at St. Mary Redcliffe and also ringing at St. Michael's, the Cathedral and St. Stephen's later.

Sides of the reunion tour held last summer in Lincolnshire were shown after the dinner.

I. B. T.

5,120 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

By E. W. TIPLER (B.68 transposed)
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Rung at Oxford St. Ebbe's, November 22nd, 1962.

5,040 RICKMANSWORTH BOB ROYAL

By NOLAN GOLDEN
23456 M W H

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5,068 KESSINGLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

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