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PEALS AND WHY WE RING THEM

THE current correspondence about a recent 'peal' at Penn, Bucks, is clearly not ended yet, and it would not perhaps be fair for one not in the band to comment until all those intimately concerned have had ample chance to give their views. Though we believe that certain members of the band were taking steps before giving the matter publicity in these columns—it was Mr. Shedden's letter in the issue of August 9th which precipitated the publicity. The one amusing thing about it is that this letter was apparently triggered off by a letter in this paper of July 19th on a completely different subject, from the conductor of the Penn 'peal' himself, who used the expression 'beating even the peal columns for laughs.'

But whatever happens now the Peals Analysis Committee of the Central Council will in due course have to decide whether or not to include the 'peal' in their annual records, so let us and the band concerned see what that committee will have to consider.

The Peals Analysis Committee are under instructions from the Council to include in the analysis 'all peals which are rung in accordance with the Conditions required for Peals.' And those Conditions are specified in the Council's Handbook and require such things as that a true peal shall in all cases start from and end with rounds, that visible aids are not permitted, etc. They also require that 'any objection which may be taken to a peal shall be raised in writing to the conductor and the Association at the earliest date.' We believe that this has been done in the case referred to. The Handbook includes an approved code dealing with both ordinary peals and record peals. For ordinary peals it is specified, *inter alia*:—

(a) That any shift or error in ringing be immediately corrected.

(b) That no call be made, or having been made, be altered or withdrawn later than during the change at which a call would probably take effect.

Further on it is specified that peals of Minor shall consist of 5,040 or more changes rung in (1) True and complete 720's without interval between any two 720's and without rounds or any other row being struck more than once before the next change is made, etc.

These decisions have, of course, no legal force, but then neither have any of the normal practices or basic premises of change ringing, but in a democratic manner we, through our representatives, have made these rules for the better ordering of the Exercise and we, through our own local associations, have agreed to abide by them. So those

responsible must ask themselves when claiming to have rung a peal—any peal—Was there a shift or error in the ringing? And if there was, was it corrected immediately? And it seems to us that this means immediately it happened and not immediately the conductor noticed it or immediately it was convenient to correct it. In a Minor peal attempt we were calling recently two bells changed over in a muddle. This was not certain until two or three leads had elapsed and if another trip had occurred with these same two bells they could well have been put right in all good faith. But, of course, a second trip did not occur, so when the part end came up 142356 instead of 142356, 'Stand' was the only thing to say.

And the next question to be asked is whether the 720's were true and complete. That is, did they each contain 720 true changes, no more and no less, produced strictly in accordance with the rules of the method being rung? We would urge those concerned to consider these questions most carefully and at the same time to bear in mind the second part of the heading to this article.

Why do we ring peals? I don't mean for what special occasions—quarter peals would do that equally well, and might often be more acceptable in the vicinity of the tower. But why **peals**. For enjoyment? I wonder! Some of them are hard work, physically or mentally, or both. Some are just boring. Some are pleasant part of the time, but, if truth be told, how many of our peals have been three hours of undiluted pleasure and how seldom have we been sorry when 'That is all' was called?

It seems to us that we ring peals for much the same reason that other folk climb mountains. Because of the satisfying sense of achievement afterwards. And that sense of achievement is made to seem more real by the publication of the peal in our columns and in the association reports. But if there is any doubt about the validity of the peal, then what have we achieved? Nothing to be proud of, that is certain.

We must not forget that this sense of achievement is not necessarily associated with our own cleverness in ringing or calling a difficult peal. The presence in the band of a first pealer, especially a pupil of one's own, can make a peal well worth while—he will recall his first peal when we have long forgotten it. And it may be that a somewhat lower standard of striking—but not in truth—becomes acceptable when beginners are in the band. One is inclined to be more tolerant in such cases. But that clearly does not mean that we can depart from the conditions that have been laid down by our representatives and accepted by the Association of which we are loyal members.

W. G. W.

UNIVERSITIES' ASSOCIATION TOUR

THE Universities' Association of Change Ringers held their summer tour this year in Southern Hampshire. We were extremely well looked after at Foster Hall, City of Portsmouth Teachers' Training College.

Most of the ringers arrived on Friday, July 26th, and during the evening crossed by ferry to join the practice at Alverstoke. Early the next morning eight set off to attempt a peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major at Shedfield, while the remainder rang first at Soberton and then at Warnfield, where they were joined by more ringers, including the peal band who had unfortunately broken down after an hour of ringing. Everyone enjoyed this deep musical six, and various Plain and Surprise methods were rung, ending with an amusing impromptu touch of Original.

Lunch, as on the subsequent week-days, was taken at a local hostelry. At Winchester Cathedral the ringing was rather cautiously limited to plain courses, although it was noted that the back bells sounded well in a touch of Grandsire Caters. We returned to Portsmouth via New Alresford and Ropley.

On Sunday morning we were all very pleased to hear of the successful record peal at Loughborough. We split into several groups to join in the service ringing at most of the nearby churches in the morning and evening. During the afternoon some enjoyed swimming and tennis and, as usual, there was a fair amount of handbell ringing. As it was so hot it was decided not to attempt any more peals, although a quarter was proposed and attempted at Ringwood on Monday afternoon. We all rang at Lyndhurst and Christchurch in the

morning, but due to a slight misunderstanding those not in the quarter peal visited Bourne-mouth in two groups and nobody rang at both towers; we all met again at Brockenhurst on the way home.

COBWEBS BRUSHED AWAY

Bp Tuesday it seemed the cobwebs had been brushed away and at Havant, Petersfield, Liss, Privett, East Meon and Catherington we indulged in a considerable variety of Surprise methods and excellent touches of the standard methods. Wednesday began with Corporate Communion at St. James', Milton. During the day we rang at Bishopstoke, Bitterne Park and North Stoneham, and we especially enjoyed Romsey Abbey and the two tens at Southampton.

We toured the Isle of Wight by motor coach the next day, ringing at Ryde and Brading in the morning. At Godshill, Brighstone and Freshwater we rang a fine selection of Minor methods, and the day was rounded off with a visit to Carisbrooke. On Friday we rang first at Wickham, Swanmore and Upham (a very pleasant six) and then on the fine old eight at Bishop's Waltham. At Fareham and Portsmouth Cathedral we were introduced to some interesting methods in which the progress of the treble was extremely limited. The afternoon's ringing was most enjoyable and ended with a visit to St. Mary's, Portsea.

After ringing at Hawley and Alton (that fine deep eight) the party dispersed. Our thanks go to all those who helped in organising such a successful tour and to all the churches we visited for the use of their bells.

J. R. J. D.

RINGERS' SUNDAY POPULAR AT KIRBY-LE-SOKEN

Bellringers' Sunday at Kirby Parish Church on July 14th attracted ringers from all parts of the county. Two ringing clergy—the Rev. G. Galley, of King's Lynn, and the Rev. J. Tredenjck, of Lambeth—preached at Matins and Evensong respectively, and Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Barnett represented the Central Council.

The programme began with Holy Communion at 8 a.m. and the bells were rung before and after the service. Then the Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Thomas joined more than 50 ringers for breakfast in the Church Hall, prepared by relatives of the local ringers.

A wide variety of methods was rung before Matins, and during the service lessons were read by Mr. Barnett and Mr. W. Ayre. Instead of the anthem handbells were rung by Mr. and Mrs. Barnett, Mr. Ayre and Mr. Bernard Fairhead.

The bells were rung for one and a half hours before Evensong, and the handbells again during the service by local ringers, viz.: Mr. Maurice Downs, Mr. E. B. Smith (Vicar's warden), Mr. Urban Wildney (tower captain) and Mr. Frank Lufkin (Ringing Master), who organised the day's proceedings. Lessons were read by Mr. E. Roast and Mr. Lufkin.

At the invitation of the Vicar and his wife, ringers, choir and congregation joined for a social meeting in the Hall, and the Danbury Singers (six vocalists and an accompanist, who are all bellringers) provided an enjoyable half-hour's entertainment.

FAREWELL TO MR. A. HARMAN

Mr. and Mrs. Harman, of Beare Green, Surrey, are to move to the Isle of Wight later this year. The Capel ringers arranged a farewell for August 10th and invited many of Mr. Harman's ringing friends to share in the tea and ringing, although he expects to continue ringing at Capel until his new home has been completed. The best wishes of the gathering, which included Mr. Appse (Cockfield), Mr. Bull (Hawley), Mr. Cheesman (Banstead) and the Rector, were sent to Mrs. Harman, who was not well enough to be present. Several of Mr. Harman's friends were unable to be present through holidays and illness.

A splendid tea was prepared in the Memorial Hall by Mrs. Penfold and her helpers and the tables were decorated with magnificent chrysanthemums from Greenway. The Master of the Guildford Diocesan Guild was requested to present Mr. Harman with a farewell present from the Capel ringers, and another for Mrs. Harman. Before doing so, Mr. D. May spoke of the loss which would be suffered not only by Capel but also by Surrey ringers and ringing in general. He referred to the work and achievements of Mr. Harman whilst he had lived in Surrey and more particularly during his 15 years as Master of the Guildford Diocesan Guild. Mr. Johnson, Master of the Sussex County Association, said how much he would be missed in Sussex.

In reply, Mr. Harman thanked those who had spoken about him, and his friends at Capel for the gifts. He said that he had always done his best for ringing wherever he had been and would continue to do so.

After thanking Mrs. Penfold, the company adjourned to the tower, where ringing, interspersed with reminiscences, was enjoyed for the remainder of the evening. D. A. R. M.

ESSEX JUNIORS' OUTING

Junior members from five towers—Harwich, Kirby, Mistley, Great Holland and St. Leonard's, Colchester—joined for an outing into Suffolk, on Aug. 19th. They were accompanied by senior members and rang at Rushmere, Wenhamston (where they had lunch), Blytheburgh, Leiston (where they stopped for tea), Aldeburgh and Ufford. The outing was arranged by Mr. Urban Wildney, towermaster of Kirby.

'SYLVIA'S STEDMAN CINQUOPATORS'

On Saturday, July 27th, the embers of the last few chords of 'The B.B.C. Northern Ireland Light Orchestra' (conducted by Arthur Anton) had hardly died away when a sleepy band of local bellringers left Brentwood just in time to catch the morning rush in the Mile End Road. Some talented map reading by Phil carried us into the Poplar regions of the East End and swept us through the pipe at Rotherhithe and up into the backyard of Britain.

Erith was our first stop, where we were an hour late caused both by traffic delays and through being sent round the town twice by the police, who did not appear to realise that St. John the Baptist was C. of E. However, we were greeted by the Vicar. As time was short we only rang rounds in two methods.

The oldest church visited was that of SS. Peter and Paul, Swanscombe, which has a pre-Conquest tower. The first touch of Stedman was among the best of the day's ringing and was conducted by Mike, our oldest ringer.

Hoo was visited next. Our most select ringers caught hold and the tape recorder was set in motion to capture a touch of Orpheus on this heavy six. The recording resulted in 34 rounds being rung, presumably while the method was being discussed and abandoned then the rounds changed to Bob Minor. The first few rounds preceding the next touch sounded very strange until Sonia happened to notice that the ropes fell the other way round!

Rochester Cathedral's beautiful bells responded to our short touch of Stedman Triples but most of us were quite happy to ring some of Peter's pretty call changes. We finished the stay here with some Grandsire Caters. Break-time, so we stopped at Sole Street for a picnic.

The next ringing was in the ears of the occupants of the Bedford Minibus when it backfired and blew a huge hole in the silencer. We then crackled our way into the picturesque village of Cobham. Because of some excellent conducting there were no Grandsire troubles here, but the ringer of the fourth could not stand it! Plain Bob and Kent rang out and then Oxford and Cambridge came last. We took our time in ringing the bells down, the best lower of the day. At Meopham some lovely Stedman Triples were rung.

The unsilenced Bedford echoed northwards through the Blackwall tunnel towards St. Mary's, Bow Road. Knowing that the extent of Bob Major was to be attempted this same day at Loughborough, we limited our ringing here to Stedman Triples. How the cups must rattle in the skyscraper flats across the street.

Sylvia refuses to let her party eat the traditional bell-outing cold salad; this year's feast was a chowmin meal in a Chinese nosh-shop at Stratford Broadway. Most of the party were English and used knives and forks, but Peter, who comes from Prittlewell, created much mirth with his frantic endeavours to control a pair of Oriental noodle needles.

Now that the church bells and ringers' bellies have settled down, we must thank the clergy and local ringers for letting us ring their bells: Phil, Mike and Jim for most of the conducting; and Sylvia Hayward for the faultless manner in which she organised and ran the day's outing. D. O. N.

AN ARCHBISHOP ENTHRONED IN AUSTRALIA

For the enthronement of the new Archbishop of Perth, Western Australia, the ringers took a prominent part on August 12th. The Cathedral band, which is nearing the end of its second year, rang call changes, Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles for 30 minutes before the service.

A new feature took place when the Archbishop knocked three times on the Cathedral door by the bells being 'fired' three times. At the end of the service the Archbishop emerged from the Cathedral exactly as the ringers pulled off again. He formally blessed the city of Perth as the bells were rung to Queens. No less than 14 ringers took part and the ringing was noted for careful striking. 'Perhaps we shall be ringing Stedman Triples for our next Archbishop,' hopefully comments our correspondent. B. P.

OXFORD.—At St. Mary Magdalen, on Aug. 15th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Rev. Canterbury, Grandsire); G. Porter 1, Elizabeth Miller 2, Marilyn Bird 3, N. Deam (cond.) 4, R. Jones 5, G. Belcher 6. Birth-day compliments to ringers of 1 and 2, and for Evensong.

MY AMERICAN TOUR

By FREDERICK SHARPE

(Continued from page 547)

FROM the time I landed at New York, every moment was fully occupied. Most of my journeys and visits were pre-planned by members of the A.G.E.H.R., who seemed determined to crowd two days into each one. I was met on the pier by Mr. James Lawson, whom I have already mentioned, and Mrs. Watson (Doris Watson), the author of 'The Handbell Choir' and whose published handbell music is well known. They constituted an official reception committee, took me out to dinner and after a long discussion on bells and music I left for Washington. Here I was met by Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Tufts and driven to their home, some 20 miles from the city. It is beautifully situated in wooded country on the bank of the Potomac River, which is one and a quarter miles wide at this point.

My first day in Washington was almost entirely taken up with appointments. Mr. Tufts had arranged for me to visit the British Embassy, and appointments were made with the Bishop of Washington and the architect of Washington Cathedral, Mr. J. Frohman, who spent the whole day showing me round this most beautiful building, the best modern Gothic work I have seen, and discussing the bell installation. The tower is not yet completed, but the ring of ten, cast at the Whitechapel Foundry, London, has been hoisted to the bell chamber. The frame and gear are there also, awaiting erection. Meanwhile the carillon of 53 bells, with a bourdon bell of 10½ tons, was in process of being hoisted and the erection of the carillon frame had begun. To achieve this, scaffolding had been erected on top of the ridge of the north transept; the bells were raised at the north-west angle of the building and conveyed over the roof to the huge central tower.

During the next few days my hosts took me to see many famous buildings in the city: The White House, Capitol, Lincoln and Jefferson Memorials and most of the public buildings, libraries and museums. Among them was the Folger Shakespeare Library, where I had assisted some years ago in designing the bells and their gear for the replica of the Globe Theatre. There were also visits to two famous carillons, with special permission to play them—a privilege not often granted. These were at the Netherlands Memorial in Arlington Park, where there is a carillon of 47 bells, cast by three Dutch founders (Messrs. H. T. and A. H. Van Bergen, Mr. E. Eijbouts and Messrs. Petit and Fritsen), and at the Taft Memorial Tower at the Capitol, where there is a carillon of 37 bells by Messrs. Pacard. I preferred the latter and found the French bells more like our English ones. One of my last duties in Washington

was an appointment with Dean Sayre, and I was privileged also to attend morning service at his Cathedral and to sit in the choir.

Over 200 miles south of Washington is Williamsburg, the ancient capital of the State of Virginia. The town was purchased some years ago by Mr. J. D. Rockefeller, who proceeded to restore every building to its original early 18th century state and to furnish all the houses and public buildings with period furniture. He then made over the town to a non-profit-making corporation, who carry on

a visit to Luray. The journey there lay over the Blue Ridge Mountains, with the wonderful Sky-Line Drive extending over 100 miles along the top, with delightful views of the Shenandoah National Park. Luray is famous for its extensive underground caverns and its carillon of 47 bells by Taylor, with a bourdon of 64 cwt. Mr. Tufts introduced me to the carillonneur, Mr. Charles Chapman, who gave a delightful recital, and allowed me also to perform on his clavier.

After the Convention in Detroit I was the guest of Professor Percival Price, the famous carillonneur, campanologist and author, at Ann Arbor University. The time here was spent in research and discussing bells of all nations with Dr. Price. This was interspersed with bathing in the Michigan Lakes, with the temperature at over 100 most of the time.

Here is another Taylor carillon of 47 bells, with a bourdon of 10½ tons, which I heard played most beautifully by Professor Price and some of his students, and once again was privileged to use the clavier. My journey back to New York was by way of Canada.

The last few days in New York were one long hectic rush. I was the guest of Mr. James Lawson, the celebrated carillonneur of Riverside Drive Church. Here I was shown the great inter-denominational Church Centre, founded by Mr. Rockefeller, the great carillon, the largest in the world, containing 74 bells, with a bourdon of 18½ tons. Fortunately my visit coincided with one of Mr. Lawson's noted recitals. The largest 16 bells here are by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, the remainder are by the Dutch founder, Van Bergen. Mr. Lawson arranged for me to visit the New York Cathedral, the United Nations Building, St. John's Church, the Empire State Building and many others. I was taken to lunch on skyscrapers and to visit the famous Radio City Music Hall, the world's largest theatre. I returned to the 'Queen Elizabeth' completely exhausted, but would not have missed the experience for anything. No one could have shown me greater kindness or more generous hospitality than my friends of the A.G.E.H.R.



The largest bell of the carillon at Washington Cathedral. With Mr. Frederick Sharpe is the Cathedral architect, Mr. J. Frohman.

the work. Here I had the privilege and pleasure of being conducted round the more important buildings by the city architect, and was also asked to inspect and report on the bell in the Parish Church. I was taken to Jamestown, where the first settlers landed in 1607, and shown the replicas of the three original ships, which brought the colonists from England, the reconstructed stockaded settlement and the ruins of the old church.

Space, or lack of it, prevents me from describing visits to Mount Vernon, the home of George Washington, Alexandria, Richmond and its carillon, Georgetown and Fort Washington, but mention must briefly be made of

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

Although numbers were not great, towers were well represented at the Mansfield District meeting held at Selston on July 27th. Members and visiting friends enjoyed a variety of methods on the very pleasant six. The service at 4.30 p.m. was followed by tea and a short business meeting, during which a moment's silence was observed in token of respect to the late Mr. Wilson Dobb, who for many years was a ringer and verger at St. Helen's.

Next meeting, Warsop, September 28th.
D. J. B.

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Letters to the Editor

Long Length of Rutland Attempt

Dear Sir,—An attempt to ring 11,520 Rutland Surprise Major will be made on Saturday, September 14th, at Norbury, Hazel Grove, Cheshire, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

The composition to be used is as below:—

11,520 by C. KENNETH LEWIS

2345678 M B W H

23564	x	—
52364	5	—
64235	2	
52643	—	4
45362	—	3
2546387	S	—
5642378	—	S
34256	3	

Twice repeated.

Yours sincerely,

BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

Buxton, Derbys.

Place Notation in New Methods

Dear Sir,—I am at a loss to understand why David Taylor considers it trivial to expect a method to be named correctly! In the report of the peal in question the name is given as Vermouth, and I think any band who wished to ring it (assuming they are able to decipher the place notation) would use this name. However, the point of my letter was not the name but the notation—I contend that notations should be published in a way intelligible to everyone.

I still cannot make anything of the notation given on page 370; row 2 could be either 56 or 58; row 4, 16 or 56; row 8, 36 or 38.

I happen to know that LE B means 2nds 1573 as new methods are set out in the Lincoln Guild report in this manner, but where is this information available to any ringer?

My letter was intended to be constructive and I resent the tone of David's letter, especially the first two paragraphs; I consider it the duty of a conductor or composer to correct any mistakes himself.

I hope interested readers will comment on the merits of both types of notation. — Sincerely yours,

JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM.

Kensington, S.W.

Quality Wanted in Peals

Dear Sir,—Regarding recent correspondence concerning the quality of some peals published in the columns of 'The Ringing World,' may I suggest that the Editor publishes in 'The Ringing World,' in full, the rules and regulations governing peal ringing so that some of the younger (?) conductors will know exactly the standard required before they attempt to call one?

Very few peals are perfect, and I'm sure no one expects perfection from a 'first pealer,' but this doesn't mean to say that you can just bash on for about three hours absolutely regardless and then call it a peal. It's the quality that counts every time! If more peal attempts were stopped because of the poor standard the ringing would improve. Until then peals of rubbish will continue to be entered and a higher standard will not be expected or achieved.

Full marks to Howard Oglesby for his admission ('Ringing World,' page 564). Perhaps some others may be prompted to follow suit? —Yours sincerely,

WILFRED W. RING.

Bethersden, Kent.

The Penn Peal Attempt

Dear Sir,—As Mr. Giles B. Thompson still appears to have no intention of withdrawing the Penn 'peal' I feel I have no alternative but to ask you to publish the reason why the other members of the band have not included it in their peal records.

It was the sixth extent, which was Plain Bob, and should have been called as follows:—

23456

42356 5

42563 1

54263 5

25463 5

25634 1

62534 5

56234 5

S 43256 3

24356 5

24563 1

52463 5

45263 5

45632 1

64532 5*

56432 5

S 23456 3

*32456 occurs at a plain lead two leads on from here.

I was not following the calling myself, but these figures have been supplied to me by Mr. William Birmingham, who was doing so.

I was contenting myself with noting the positions of the front bells when the fifth and tenor were dodging together at the back and imagine my surprise when the change 132456 came up for the second time, first at a plain lead, and then at a bob lead.

On comparing notes later, Mr. Birmingham's observations revealed that instead of having a single at the end of the extent we in fact had:

— 32456

S 34256

— 23456

thus confirming my observations.

Incidentally, this 'extent' took 27 minutes, whereas the first extent took only 25 minutes.

The inference in Mr. Thompson's letter that he had difficulty in keeping the coursing order straight with a band of conductors is quite fallacious: in fact we had to put him right on more than one occasion.—Yours faithfully,

HOWARD OGLESBY.

Hitcham, Bucks.

Why Not Call Stand?

Dear Sir,—I feel that I must write in reply to Mr. Howard Oglesby's letter ('Ringing World,' page 564) concerning the peal at Penn on May 11th. Not knowing the circumstances under which this peal was rung, it is impossible to pass an opinion as to its validity. However, it seems that there is some argument about its merit, and Mr. Oglesby and two of his ringers saw fit to omit it from their peal records.

Surely if the standard of ringing was as bad as this suggests, at least one of these three ringers (the ringing leader, perhaps?) should have thought fit to stand his bell.—Yours faithfully,

ANTHONY H. SMITH.

Biggleswade.

Peal at Chesterfield

Dear Sir,—With reference to the question raised about the recent peal, I should like to explain that it was the culmination and fulfilment of a promise made some 18 months before the fire, which obviously postponed activities. The arrangements were made by me, with the full knowledge and agreement of the retiring Archdeacon and also of the priest-in-charge, and the peal band was only too pleased to accept my invitation.

As regards the future, our own band will, I hope, carry out the ringing on the occasion of the installation of the new Archdeacon, a privilege we have earned after ringing for service for more than 18 months under frightful conditions of extreme cold, dirt and discomfort.

If a peal is rung, I shall arrange it without asking permission or advice from any local body or organisation. I regard the reference to Mongolia as in very bad taste. — Yours sincerely,

SAM SCATTERGOOD.

797, Sheffield Road, Chesterfield.

'Have Now, Pay Later'

Dear Sir,—I must record my agreement with N. J. Davies (page 564) in the matter of Bell Funds. I, too, agree that a fund for the repair of bells is a **must** for every tower, whether their bells are in good order or not. The reluctance of many ringers to pay a reasonably adequate sum for their own enjoyment and satisfaction in ringing is an extension of the practice which is fast becoming a nationwide pastime—'Have now, pay later.'

The unfortunate aspect of our particular debit side is that we may not be called upon to pay in our own lifetime, and the earnest and most praiseworthy efforts of many ringers in teaching and extending their knowledge to the younger generation may well be nullified to marked extent by the inability of those same youngsters to ring what could eventually be 'unringable bells.'

I have heard arguments that as the maintenance and repair of bells is the duty of the P.C.C. concerned, this in some way absolves ringers from taking any action in the matter. I am aware that many P.C.C.'s have bell funds and that many ringers contribute—but there are many who do not.

We can always find a reason for justifying our actions or our non-participation in any particular effort, but whatever the excuse may be, it can surely never be a valid one if it results ultimately in what is tantamount to selfishness. It is surely better to announce that we do not wish to subscribe to this particular cause than make hosts of excuses and raise myriad difficulties. If we really want to help by paying we shall find that nobody will actively protest!—Yours, etc.,

M. HEYMANN.

Farnborough, Som.

Sunday Morning Ringing

Dear Sir,—I note the reference to newly silent towers in the leading article of 'The Ringing World' for August 23rd. It occurs to me that a large proportion of these may be due to the respective parsons following the current trend for the main morning service to be held earlier. It is obviously more difficult to obtain a band to ring for a service at 9 or 9.30 a.m. on Sunday than for a service at 10.45 or 11 a.m. Once the 'rot' has set into the morning ringing it very soon spreads to the evening.—Yours faithfully,

FRANK S. CHENEY.

South Wigston, Leicester.

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A GUILDFORD DIAMOND WEDDING

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hazelden, of 109, Grange Road, Guildford, who celebrated their diamond wedding last Tuesday. Mr. Hazelden is convener of the Biographies Committee of the Central Council and librarian of the Guildford Guild.

Their peals include first on tower bells by four married couples in 1920 (others being Mr. and Mrs. J. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Hairs and Mr. and Mrs. R. Whittington); first peal by ringers all celebrating their silver wedding in 1928, in which Mrs. Hazelden was the only lady; on December 9th, 1933, the same band rang another peal to mark the 30th anniversary and consisted of Mrs. Hazelden, J. S. Goldsmith (conductor), John Beams, C. Hazelden, J. Hoyle, Charles Greenwood, William Pasmore and Joseph Hawkins. Arrangements were made to attempt a 35th anniversary peal but the death of Mrs. Goldsmith not long before the date of the peal broke up the happy circle.

They have rung peals together in the four standard methods on eight and ten bells, also Double Norwich and Cambridge Surprise. Mrs. Hazelden, who commenced to ring in 1913, inaugurated the Southern District of the Ladies' Guild, of which she was first secretary. Mr. Hazelden started ringing in Kent in 1897 and came to Guildford in 1901. He has had a long association with St. Nicolas' Society of Bellingrings and served the Guildford Guild faithfully as District secretary for many years.

50 YEARS AGO

'Ringing World,' August 29th, 1913.

WHAT IS 'SOUTING'?

Sir,—I have been asked to explain a use of church bells called 'Souting,' of which I have never heard. My correspondent understands that it was 'the tolling of bells on All Saints' (or All Souls') Day by or on behalf of poor people asking for cakes.' If any member of the Exercise has heard of or knows any instance of this custom being observed, or when it was discontinued, I should be glad to receive information.

T. L. PAPILON.

Acrise, Hall Place Gardens, St. Albans.

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By JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM

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NOTABLE OCCASION AT STOTFOLD

On Sunday, August 18th, after a lapse of ten years, a full peal was rung on the fine bells of St. Mary's, Stotfold, the result of over a year's hard work by Messrs. P. Mehew and M. D. Stanforth in training a new band of ringers. The peal, the seventh on the bells, was rung within the octave of the Patronal Festival, the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the method chosen was Cambridge Surprise Minor. Audrey Alexander and David Saunderson, the 'star' young members of the Stotfold band, together with their friend, Verna Rix (an equally keen member of the Arlesey band), are to be congratulated for ringing so well in the peal. Although the local band have been capable of ringing Cambridge for some time, two members were unable to ring, and Verna Rix and George Thoday are warmly thanked for standing in on this special yet sad occasion.

The sense of achievement was tinged with sadness because the peal was arranged and rung as a farewell to the deputy tower captain and his wife. Both Michael and Margaret Stanforth are well known and liked in the village, where they have taught for over three years at Etonbury and St. Mary's Schools respectively. Philip Mehew, the tower captain, in paying an unreserved tribute to Michael for his unfailing and invaluable assistance in training the band, gives grateful thanks to Michael and Margaret (and Alison and Helen) for their wonderful friendship. The peal was rung prior to Evensong, and during the service the Vicar (the Rev. J. W. H. Bullock) expressed the warm appreciation of the church and parish for all they had done during their time in Stotfold and wished them Godspeed in their new life in York.

Coincidentally, the first hymn was No. 450, and it was Philip Mehew's 450th peal! He would also like to pay compliments to that grand old gentleman of ringing, T. Reginald Dennis, who celebrated his 80th birthday on that day in Cambridge.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD Bingham District

Because of the many activities in Hickling on August 10th the Bingham District meeting at the Parish Church started with a service conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. L. T. P. Harwood. Mrs. Harwood arranged tea at the Vicarage, which was enjoyed by 35 members. Ten towers were represented and £1 collected for the Bell Repair Fund. Joan Challenor, of Bingham, was elected a member.

Future activities include a joint meeting with Melton District, September 14th; Crawford Cup Final, Radcliffe, September 7th; Holme Pierrepont, October 12th. It was provisionally agreed to hold a dinner at Whatton on December 13th.

Ringing continued during the evening at Hickling and Long Clawson until 8.30 p.m., numbers having increased to over 60

R. B.

OBITUARY—PERKINS (Continued)

one will always remember him for his quiet walks to and from the church he loved, his walking stick and pipe his inseparable companions.

The funeral service at St. Leonard's was fully choral and attended by representatives of many village organisations and all the local band of ringers. Representing the Worcestershire Association were Mrs. A. Thomas and Mr. A. J. Brazier (present and past Branch Masters) and Mr. J. D. Johnson (vice-president). Immediately after the service a half-muffled quarter peal was rung by the local band.

J. D. J.

OBITUARY

PREB. H. S. URCH

The death occurred suddenly at his home on August 19th of Prebendary H. S. Urch, who was Rector of Backwell, Somerset, from 1930 to 1950. Although officially retired at Weston-super-Mare, Preb. Urch was in great demand in the area and was taking services on the day before he died. He was a man of outstanding ability as a parish priest, being greatly loved by all his people.

He is remembered especially as a ringer, and among his achievements was the augmentation of Backwell bells from six to eight in 1938.

At the funeral service at St. Andrew's, Backwell, a large and representative company paid their last respects, and the committal was conducted by the Bishop of Taunton.

An extended quarter peal of 1,740 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob) was rung half-muffled on the back six by: W. P. Blake 1, T. G. Phillips 2, L. Derrick (cond.) 3, C. Kortright 4, J. Brain 5, W. J. Lott 6.

To his widow and members of the family we extend our heartfelt sympathy in their loss.

J. B.

MR. L. H. JONES

The funeral of Mr. Lennard H. Jones, Monmouth, took place on Monday, August 19th. He had been tower captain at St. Mary's, Monmouth, for many years and before being prevented by ill-health had been a very keen and active ringer.

He was a member of both the Llandaff and Monmouth and the Gloucester and Bristol Associations. He had a particular interest in the South Forest Branch, of which he had been chairman for many years.

Mr. Jones always showed great kindness to learners, and in the towers around Monmouth he will be greatly missed.

He carried on the family business of undertaker and builders' merchant, which had been started in Monmouth by his father, who had also been tower captain at Monmouth. A widow and son are bereaved.

After the funeral service touches of Grand-sire Triples were rung on Monmouth bells by the Rev. Ivor Richards, Rural Dean of Raglan, and the Rev. Roy Hallett, Vicar of Caldicot, and other ringers representing towers in both the South Forest area and the Diocese of Monmouth. These bells were also rung half-muffled later in the week by Monmouth ringers and other close friends of Mr. Jones from Staunton and nearby towers.

J. S. K.

MR. JOHN C. PERKINS

The death of Mr. John C. Perkins on July 28th, at the age of 84, severs the last link of the Perkins family with the belfry of St. Leonard's, Bretforton, Worcestershire, a link which has extended for 150 years, when the original six were first hung in the tower.

It was in 1893 that Jack, then a lad of 15, first took his place with his father and brother in ringing out the Old Year, and until his eyesight began to fail a few years ago he faithfully maintained this connection. For many years he was captain and tower-keeper. He learned his ringing the hard way but immediately following the First World War he readily adapted himself to 8, 10 and 12 bell standard plain methods and for ten years was Southern Branch Ringing Master.

He was a keen sportsman—playing football and cricket—and took a keen interest in all village activities, among them being a member of the Parish Council, School Managers, Memorial Hall Committee and Services Welfare.

A true son of the soil, he was engaged all his life in market gardening. Unassuming and unhurried, yet always there and never late,

(Continued previous column)

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EAST RIDING RINGERS AROUND CAMBRIDGE



ON Saturday, August 3rd, at 7.30 a.m., a removal van containing a number of ringers and bicycles left Willerby Square, near Hull, and another ringing tour had started. After picking up several ringers at Selby we arrived at Peterborough at 12.30 p.m., where we were eventually joined by friends from Warwickshire, Staffordshire, Essex and Northamptonshire.

After lunch we rang at Peterborough (St. Mary's), where the pleasant six were soon tapping out a variety of methods. Then to Woodston, with its minute ringing chamber, where we struggled not very successfully with these tricky bells.

After ringing at Stanground (another good six), we went on to Whittlesey, where we rang at St. Andrew's first, and then at St. Mary's, both rather awkward eights. The party then struggled on to Houghton Mill Youth Hostel in a penetrating drizzle only to find that the drying room was U.S. Never was morale so low as at this point; however, when the younger members found a table-tennis table faces brightened up.

For Sunday morning ringing the party was split up among Huntingdon (All Saints' and St. Mary's), Hemingford Abbots, Hemingford Grey, Godmanchester and Holywell. Two quarter peals were successfully attempted at St. Ives (Bob Minor) in the morning, and at St. Mary's, Huntingdon (Bob Major), in the evening. There was also boating and swimming for more intrepid members.

BANK HOLIDAY

Surprisingly, Monday dawned reasonably bright. After Huntingdon (All Saints') came the glorious octave at Godmanchester, where the bells boomed out to Stedman Triples and our allotted time passed far too quickly.

Lunch was taken at Hemingford Abbots and before leaving for St. Ives we watched the regatta. The long draught at St. Ives was coped with fairly successfully. At Long Stanton, where the tenor is only seven cwt., our first touch of Double Norwich of the tour failed to come round and we did not add to our reputation by dispatching another stay at Histon. Finally to Cambridge Youth Hostel, where, after our duties were finished, we went into the town. Some of the party had a lightning tour of the colleges led by the organiser.

The eight at the R.C. Church at Cambridge started Tuesday's programme. These bells are surprisingly quiet for their weight (32 cwt.) but we managed a complete course of Yorkshire. After ringing on the awkward six at St. Bene't's, we were allowed to ring at Great

Standing (left to right): Joan Gray, N. W. Castle, Shirley Wight (Walkington); Linda Jones (Headingley); J. S. Rank (Beverley); Patricia Samuel, D. Peacock (Kirk Ella); C. Brown (Bubwith); F. C. Hobson (Kirk Ella); D. Baker (Manchester Univ.); J. G. Hobson (Hull); J. Reid (Kirk Ella); Gillian Dann (Hedon); D. P. B. Miles (Cottingham); Margaret Whitehead (Selby); S. C. Walters (Cambridge Univ.); R. Forbes (Walkington); J. L. Riley (Hull Univ.); Patricia Wilson (Sutton); D. S. Johnson, H. Palmer (Kirk Ella); R. H. Rogers (Hull Univ.).

Kneeling (left to right): G. Smith (Kirk Ella); Dinah Blow (Cottingham); G. E. Drew (Walkington); A. Grundy (Selby); K. Kitchen (Walkington); G. W. Randall (Warwick); Janet Porter (Sutton).

St. Andrew's, which was not in the schedule. Trumpington followed, and then a short ride brought us to Stapleford, Sawston and Ickleton, where the Vicar joined in the opening touch of Stedman Triples. Tuesday and Wednesday nights were spent in the half-timbered hostel at Saffron Walden.

Wednesday morning found us ringing at Hempstead, where we were intrigued by the electrically-operated clock and chime mechanism. After lunch we cycled across the undulating countryside to Finchingfield, where the tower was under repair.

IMPRESSED BY SAFFRON WALDEN

The next morning we rang again on the impressive 12, which must be one of the finest rings in the country for its weight (24 cwt.). The Vicar allowed us to go on the roof and raised one of the louveres so that we could see the 12 swinging. We attempted a touch of Stedman Caters, which to everyone's amazement came round, after our abortive efforts the previous night.

The next leg of our journey took us to Melbourn, where we arrived tired out after struggling with a head wind and a bad road for 13 miles. However, we soon recovered and, after ringing on the six, went on to Bourn. Meanwhile another quarter with several 'firsts' was rung at Meldreth. After ringing at Bourn the more hardy members went on to ring on the magnificent octave at St. Neots. Although the mileage was high, most people completed all the towers, except two gentlemen who were engaged in repairing a certain young lady's bicycle.

After tea at Houghton Mill Hostel we went over to Hemingford Abbots to join the local ringers for their practice.

The following morning we retraced our steps along the Via Divina to Chesterton, where we admired the numerous peal boards, and after lunch we rang on the pleasant eight at Burwell. Only two miles away we rang at Exning, the only five of the tour. With the Cathedral in sight, we soon reached Ely, where we rang on the easy-going eight. Afterwards we went round the Cathedral and admired the magnificent roof and the octagonal tower.

To our dismay it was raining again in the morning, but we cycled the nine miles to Chatteris in high spirits and soon had the bells up. We noticed with amusement the old 'peal' board recording the ringing of 120 Bob Doubles by the local band.

After lunch the van picked us up and we were soon speeding down the A.1 towards home.

Our sincere thanks are due to Ian Goldthorpe for arranging the tour and selecting the towers and hostels, also to Mr. H. S. Peacock and Mr. P. Came for their advice and assistance, and finally to the incumbents for the use of the bells.

F. C. H.

A MEMORABLE OCCASION

August 17th was a memorable day for Mr. H. G. Cooper, of St. Michael's Church, Yeovil, when he returned to his former home village of Market Lavington to ring his first quarter-peal. He was taught to ring at St. Michael's by the assistant priest, the Rev. R. O. Fry, on the one bell which the church possesses. The bell weighs nine cwt. and was hung by Mears in 1897, in a tower capable of containing a medium-sized ring of eight. It was last rung for service in 1933, when Mr. Tom Setter, of St. John's, Yeovil, then rang it, and remained chimed until two years ago, when Mr. Cooper rang it again after a break of 28 years. Mr. Cooper has learned his change ringing at Chilton Cantelo and Millborne Port, where the bands have been receiving instruction from Mr. Fry. Perhaps the day will dawn when St. Michael's has its own ring of bells.

MISS JULIA BRAGG MARRIED

On August 17th at Solihull Parish Church, Warwickshire, Miss Julia Bragg, of Solihull, was married to Mr. Denis Saunders, formerly of Halifax. The bride is the granddaughter of the late Mr. Roland Bragg, who for many years was Ringing Master at the Parish Church of St. Alphege, Solihull.

After the service the ringers, under their present Master, Mr. C. Dale, expressed their good wishes by ringing a touch of Grandsire Caters.

ASHCOTT, SOMERSET.—On July 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Joy Barg 1, Freda Prime 2, Angela French (first away from treble) 3, K. Prime (cond.) 4, C. Gratten 5, K. Cavill 6. A 13th birthday compliment to Joy and Angela.

BATTERSEA, LONDON.—At St. Mary's, on July 28th, 1,260 Siedman Triples: Miss M. E. Powell 1, Mrs. G. G. Meyer 2, Mrs. S. R. Foot 3, R. E. Foot (first quarter 'inside') 4, A. J. Hampton 5, E. E. Dodds 6, C. M. Meyer (cond.) 7, G. Barber 8. For Evensong.

BUTCOMBE, SOMERSET.—On Aug. 19th, 1,440 Warkworth Surprise Minor: M. Heymann (first of Treble Bob) 1, Monica Horseman 2, E. Lee 3, G. H. Pullin 4, J. Brain 5, J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 6. First in method by all.

CHARMINSTER, DORSET.—On Aug. 23rd, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: R. Sturme 1, Mrs. A. J. Slade 2, G. J. Abbott 3, F. Symonds 4, A. J. Slade 5, R. J. Vardy 6, E. H. Amey 7, J. W. Rose (cond.) 8. First of Major by all the band.

CLYST-HONITON, DEVON.—On July 16th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: A. Tapley 1, K. Wannell 2, Mrs. G. E. Retter 3, D. Wills 4, J. Glanvill 5, C. Savage 6, F. D. Mack 7, G. E. Retter (cond.) 8. First of Major 2 and 4.

CRUYDON, SURREY.—On Aug. 4th, at the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. J. Brown (first quarter) 1, G. H. Humphries 2, N. D. Brown 3, K. Taber 4, H. G. Pratt 5, N. G. Steere 6, F. E. Collins (cond.) 7, R. C. Stevens 8.

DRAYTON, BERKS.—On Aug. 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Valerie Botley 1, C. Clark (first 'inside') 2, Mrs. Wiggins 3, D. Pimm 4, G. Tinson 5, J. Seymour (cond.) 6. A 21st birthday compliment to treble ringer.

EALING, MIDDY.—At St. Mary's, on Aug. 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss J. Creek 1, Miss P. Rogers 2, A. M. Stacey 3, Squire Croft 4, A. H. Fulwell 5, T. Baker 6, W. G. Wilson (cond.) 7, R. Mitchell 8. For Morning Service.

ESCRICK, YORKS.—On Aug. 18th, 1,440 Minor (Cambridge and Plain Bob): C. Groome 1, D. Pearson 2, J. D. Chamberlain 3, C. M. Foster 4, C. Reeves 5, J. A. D. Woolford (cond.) 6. Rung for Evensong.

QUARTER PEALS

EAST ILSLEY, BERKS.—On Aug. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. W. T. Hibbert 1, Mrs. C. J. Hibbert 2, A. W. Davis 3, C. J. Garlick 4, C. J. Hibbert (cond.) 5, M. Bishop 6, J. W. Wilson 7, L. F. Cox 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Maurice J. Wilson, sidesman at St. Mary's, East Ilsley, who was cremated this day.

EDMONTON, MIDDY.—On Aug. 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Beryl Platt 1, Sheila Moore (first in method) 2, Teresa Langdon (first on working bell) 3, Audrey Beauchamp 4, Trudy Newcombe 5, M. W. Coleman 6, T. Hawkins (cond.) 7, D. Langdon 8. For Evensong.

EWELL, SURREY.—On Aug. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. C. W. Munday 1, P. Munday (first in the method) 2, H. Good 3, Margaret Howard 4, C. W. Munday 5, S. J. Philbrick 6, J. E. Beams (cond.) 7, R. Spittle 8. A compliment to ringing colleague Peter Anthony Ford and Jean Margaret Courtney for their wedding.

FLOOKBURGH, LANCs.—On Aug. 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. J. Sadler (first quarter) 1, J. E. Dickinson 2, J. Blackburn 3, N. P. J. Cossey 4, T. F. Metcalfe 5, R. C. L. Brown 6. Conducted by 4 and 6. A holiday quarter for 1, 4 and 6.

GRAFTON REGIS, NORTHANTS.—On Aug. 18th, 1,279 Grandsire Doubles: Rev. B. Fernyhough 1, Toni M' Rogers 2, F. E. Hall 3, C. J. Hall 4, R. H. Rogers (cond.) 5. For Evensong.

GREAT HOLLAND, ESSEX.—On July 15th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: Heather McArthur (13, first quarter) 1, Susan Bostock (first quarter) 2, Miss S. Harrison 3, M. E. Downs (cond.) 4, Miss F. Smith 5, E. W. Furbank (6), F. B. Lufkin 7, U. W. Wildney 8.

HASLINGFIELD, CAMBS.—On Aug. 25th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: G. Barnard 1, G. Bonham (first quarter) 2, A. E. Ling 3, B. Horrell 4, P. Woollven (first as cond.) 5.

ROXTON, BEDS.—On July 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. M. Marshall 1, Miss M. Edwards 2, E. White 3, M. J. Marriott 4, J. H. Edwards (cond.) 5. Rung for the 104th anniversary of the Church School, Roxton, and its closure.

ST. STEPHEN'S BY SALTASH, CORNWALL.—On Aug. 9th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Mrs. M. E. Brown 1, Miss I. Lemare 2, Miss G. Brown 3, P. W. Brett 4, F. Jackson 5, M. E. Brown (cond.) 6. Rung by members of the Society of Rambling Ringers.

SALEHURST, SUSSEX.—On Aug. 3rd, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: J. M. Swift (first of Major) 1, I. V. J. Smith 2, Valerie Mephham (first of Plain Bob Major) 3, Christine M. Fuller 4, A. R. Baldock 5, T. M. Barlow 6, B. G. North (cond.) 7, A. Jackson (first of Major) 8.

SANDON, HERTS.—On Aug. 18th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Ann Roden 1, Ann Saunderson 2, Margaret M. Roden 3, L. Hatchett 4, T. R. Hatchett (cond.) 5. Believed to be the first quarter on the bells by a local Sunday service band.

SAPCOTE, LEICS.—On Aug. 1st, 1,440 Spliced Surprise Minor (12 methods, 48 changes of method): Mrs. M. E. Brown 1, Jennifer Stratford 2, L. Watkins 3, B. L. Burrows 4, J. Watkins 5, M. E. Brown (cond.) 6.

SLOUGH, BUCKS.—On Aug. 18th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: Elizabeth T. Birmingham (first of Surprise Major) 1, J. F. Bowler (first of Surprise 'inside') 2, Pamela M. Jervis 3, W. D. Ward 4, J. R. Pagdin 5, R. V. Clarke (first of Surprise) 6, W. Birmingham 7, D. P. Hilling (cond.) 8. Rung as a farewell to Roger V. Clarke (Kirkburton, Yorks), who joined the local band during his six-month 'sandwich' course in Slough.

STOKE D'ABERNON, SURREY.—On Aug. 10th, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): R. J. Cooles 1, M. J. Uphill 2, Rosamund M. Rawlings 3, B. S. Bull 4, J. R. Ketteringham (cond.) 5. Rung after meeting short for a peal attempt.

SUNNINGWELL, BERKSHIRE.—On Aug. 17th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure): K. W. Smith 1, D. O. Wilks 2, Mrs. A. E. Lock 3, R. G. T. Bennett 4, A. R. Pink (cond.) 5, W. G. Cudd 6. Rung half-muffled after the funeral service as a last tribute of affection and respect to Jonathan Honey, who had been associated with this tower all his life and was for many years captain of the ringers.

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EDITOR: T. W. WHITE.

Mr. T. W. White is visiting the West Country on a well-earned holiday. Readers of this journal will join me in wishing him and Mrs. White a good holiday. Meanwhile, for this week and next you are asked to bear with the 'locum' and, if things are not perfect, please make allowances and don't blame the Editor.—W. G. W.

After a lay-off for two and a half years, Mr. Mark W. Marshall makes a return to ringing with a quarter peal at Bethersden, Kent.

We are glad to hear that Mr. Fred Ranson, of Ealing, is out of hospital after his operation, and we wish him a speedy recovery.

Recently Mr. A. F. Udall, of Chelsea, seriously damaged both wrists in a fall, and his many friends wish him continued progress and a speedy return to ringing.

"Marriages are made in Heaven," says the proverb, but an awful lot are also made out of ringers' meetings as well.—Philip Gray in an article on 'Ringers' Meetings' in 'Ringing Towers.'

Readers will have seen, earlier this year, the advertisement for a Ringers' Pilgrimage to the Holy Land in August. Among those who went were Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Barker and Mrs. Deal, and we hope to print next week Mrs. Barker's account of the trip.

Mr. E. Barnett writes that the failure of the attempt for a peal of Minor at Mapledurham for the Clerical Guild reminds him that a clerical peal of Stedman is long overdue. Some 50 years ago when ringing parsons were at a premium, one was attempted at High Wycombe. He thinks Canon Cox is the only survivor of the band.

The ringers at St. John's Church, Coppull, near Chorley, Lancs, have opened a fund to augment their six-bell ring (tenor 16 cwt.) with two trebles. A frame for eight bells was fitted when the church was built. Through 'The Ringing World' they appeal for support for their effort. Contributions would be gratefully received and acknowledged by Miss B. Yapp, 316, Spendmore Lane, Coppull, near Chorley, Lancs.

BELFRY GOSSIP

Mr. Norman S. Bagworth, of 37, Cliveden Road, Wimbledon, S.W.19, writes inviting anyone attending the National Police Guild meeting at Birmingham on Sept. 28th, to get in touch with him, as travel arrangements can be made if justified. Picking-up points could also be arranged on the way northwards.

Has any ringer surpassed this? Mr. Urban W. Wildney has eight times 'circled the tower' to peals at St. Michael's, Kirby-le-Soken.

George Bonham, who has been ringing for 18 months, looks like developing into a steady ringer. In his first quarter at Haslingfield, Cambs, he never made a wrong blow.

'Conservative' writes: 'While the present spate of correspondence on Surprise Major methods continues, might I ask what happened to Superlative?'

We are pleased to note that the Lancashire Association's 'Instruction and Diagram Book' has been reprinted and is available from F. Dunkerley, Standard Mill (Rochdale) Ltd., Rochdale. (Price 3/6.)

We are pleased to learn that Mrs. F.I. Hairs is home again and that her operation was a success. She is going on very nicely but will have to take things a little easy for some time yet.

Many thanks to Mr. Tom Charlton, captain of Moulton, Lincs, tower, for the way he entertained the peal band and their wives to dinner at the White Swan on the occasion of the wedding of his eldest daughter, and they rejoice in the thought that he still has two other children yet to marry.

The Northern District of the Surrey Association are promoting an elementary course for would-be change ringers, particularly those at towers where change ringing is a rare occurrence. Instructors are Mr. N. Bagworth, St. George-the-Martyr, The Borough (8); Mr. F. E. Collins, Immanuel, Streatham (8); Mr. W. Parrott, Christ Church, Mitcham (6). Next practices are at St. George's, September 10th; Immanuel, September 18th; Mitcham, September 26th.

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AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 26 cwt. 23 lb. in D.

TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. Treble	ALAN A. POTTS 7
*PETER HORNE 2	ALAN J. BROWN 8
HAROLD C. LONYON 3	PETER LAFLIN 9
CAROL FERNLEY 4	FRANK OSBALDISTON 10
C. KENNETH LEWIS 5	EDWARD JENKINS 11
JOHN WORTH 6	ROBERT B. SMITH Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY. Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

* First peal on 12 bells. R. B. Smith's 500th peal. The conductor's 100th peal of Surprise Maximus.

TEN BELL PEALS

WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 10, 1963, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 19½ cwt.

LEONARD E. FOX Treble	AIDAN ST. J. BOYACK 6
ANGELA GRAINGER 2	DENNIS A. HEWITT 7
JANE K. A. COOK 3	JOHN PHILLIPS 8
JOHN H. CRAMPION 4	*MICHAEL P. MORETON 9
MICHAEL C. AUSTIN 5	PETER D. CHAPMAN Tenor

Composed by JOHN CHILCOTT. Conducted by JOHN H. CRAMPION.

* 350th peal.

RIPON, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1963, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND WILFRID,

A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 23 cwt. 24 lb. in E flat.

*PHILIP J. CROSSTHWAITE Treble	†TERENCE M. FITZGERALD .. 6
†FREDERICK PEARSON 2	*CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE 7
†MARYL R. CROSSTHWAITE .. 3	EDWIN C. BIRKETT 8
§DENIS R. JONES 4	JOSEPH RIDYARD 9
W. JOHN COUPERTHWAITE .. 5	§G. ROBERT MORDAUNT .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CHILCOTT. Conducted by CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE.

* First peal of Stedman, and of Caters. † First of Caters. ‡ 50th peal together. § First on ten bells.

Rung to mark the engagement of Stephen Jones (son of the ringer of the fourth) and Miss Charmaine Holburn.

LEATHERHEAD, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 24, 1963, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND NICHOLAS.

A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 19 cwt. 12 lb. in D.

GORDON P. T. PETERS .. Treble	DEREK G. ASTRIDGE 6
J. MARILYN A. GIBBS 2	ALBERT E. CHEESMAN 7
ROYDON DAVIES 3	ROBERT W. HINDE 8
ALAN J. SMITH 4	CHARLES H. KIPPIN 9
HAROLD N. PIISTOW 5	FRANK E. DARBY Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRANK E. DARBY.

A compliment to George Marriner for his 80th birthday.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

ALLESLEY, COVENTRY.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., July 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

GEORGE GARDNER .. Treble	HUBERT G. SUMMERS 5
*IAN F. GARVIE 2	JOHN W. T. TAYLOR 6
*HARRY V. SEAR 3	L. MICHAEL CALLOW 7
ROGER HARRIS 4	PETER BORDER Tenor

Composed by H. LAW JAMES. Conducted by PETER BORDER.

* First peal in the method.

Rung by members of the Sunday service band, following the wedding at this church of their fellow Sunday service ringer Lesley M. Parker with Christopher L. J. Grove.

SHIRLEY, WARWICKSHIRE.

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

On Sat., Aug. 10, 1963, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr. 1 lb. in B flat.

FREDERICK ROSS .. Treble	*JOHN H. INSLEY 5
SUSAN FUNNELL 2	RODERICK W. PIPE 6
DIANA J. PERRINS 3	J. ALAN AINSWORTH 7
NORMAN J. GOODMAN 4	GEORGE E. FEARN Tenor

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

* First peal of London.

OXFORD.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Aug. 13, 1963, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EBBE,

A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 4 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb. in B flat.

JOHN G. PUSEY .. Treble	CHARLES COLES 5
EDGAR J. SMITH 2	PETER J. HERITAGE 6
ALAN R. PINK 3	PETER D. BEEDIE 7
ROBIN J. TREBILCOCK 4	EDWARD R. VENN Tenor

Composed by C. H. MARTIN.

Conducted by EDWARD R. VENN.

NORTH ELMHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Aug. 15, 1963, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.

A PEAL OF 5040 ELMHAM IMPERIAL BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

DAVID CUBITT .. Treble	J. FRED MILNER 5
MIRIAM HIGDON 2	PETER ADCOCK 6
ARTHUR G. BASON 3	NOLAN GOLDEN 7
GEORGE SAYER 4	EDWARD HOWES Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

First peal in the method, which is 3, 1, 5, 3, 127, 5, 7. 127 P.

SAWLEY, DERBYSHIRE.

THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Aug. 15, 1963, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5120 TRUMPINGTON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9½ cwt.

CYNTHIA WEBB .. Treble	GORDON A. HALLS 5
ROBIN GUY 2	DEREK JACKSON 6
DENIS R. CARLISLE 3	DAVID J. MARSHALL 7
DAVID W. PARKIN 4	JOHN F. MURFIN Tenor

Composed by D. CARLISLE.

Conducted by DAVID J. MARSHALL.

BALCOMBE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 10 lb. in A.

*JOHN A. HOWARD .. Treble	ERIC H. KNAPP 5
LEONARD STILLWELL 2	E. WINIFRED KEYS 6
†VALERIE J. HOWARD 3	FREDERICK W. ROGERS 7
†DEREK SLATER 4	*FRANK H. HICKS Tenor

Composed by JOHN R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by FRANK H. HICKS.

* 25th peal together. † First of Major.

BALDERTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.

A PEAL OF 5024 WEMBLEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 24 lb. in G sharp.

*JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. Treble	*COLIN W. REED 5
*CLAIRE DILLAMORE 2	*BERYL N. REED 6
GEOFFREY R. PARKER 3	*GEOFFREY PAUL 7
JACK L. MILLHOUSE 4	PETER A. SHARP Tenor

Composed by FRANK BENNETT.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

* First peal of Wembley Surprise.

BARKWAY, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1963, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt.

JOHNSON'S variation.	
CHARLES BYSOUTH .. Treble	IAN M. SMITH 5
GEOFFREY PEARSON 2	JOHN W. WARD 6
HILARY MUIRHEAD 3	JOHN G. GIPSON 7
T. REGINALD DENNIS 4	WILLIAM J. RIDGMAN .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. RIDGMAN.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. T. Reginald Dennis on his 80th birthday.

BIGGLESWADE, BEDFORDSHIRE.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1963, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

*DAVID G. CARR .. Treble	ANTHONY H. SMITH 5
SHEILA V. PERCIVAL 2	ALAN S. SMITH 6
*AUDREY R. ALEXANDER 3	DAVID R. SAUNDERSON .. 7
SHEILA I. SMITH 4	MARTIN MAJOR Tenor

Composed and Conducted by MARTIN MAJOR.

* First peal of Major. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb. in F.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 10 lb. in A.

MAURICE G. INGRAM .. Treble	GEORGE E. FEARN 5
MURIEL REAY 2	MARTIN D. FELLOWS 6
NORMAN J. GOODMAN 3	FREDERICK ROSS 7
DAVID R. INGRAM 4	PETER BORDER Tenor

Composed by S. J. IVIN.

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

CONGRESBURY, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1963, in 3 Hours and 34 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 35 cwt. in C sharp.

RICHARD J. BOWDEN .. Treble	DON C. EXELL 5
MALCOLM M. POWELL .. 2	RAYMOND HAINES .. 6
MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. 3	DAVID E. HOUSE .. 7
MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. 4	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

HEPTONSTALL, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS-A-BECKET.

A PEAL OF 5152 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb. in E.

JEANNE E. BOTTOMLEY .. Treble	S. BARRY SCHOFIELD .. 5
B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. 2	BARRY SULLIVAN .. 6
*PETER A. KIRKBY .. 3	RODERICK W. PIPE .. 7
ROGER J. LUMLEY .. 4	VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

* First peal in the method.

KIDSGROVE, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS.

A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 4 lb.

PAUL J. ATKINS .. Treble	WALTER SHERRATT .. 5
NORMAN SHERRATT .. 2	*DENNIS LATHAM .. 6
*CYNTHIA WARRILOW .. 3	ROBERT J. WARRILOW .. 7
*HAROLD DOWLER .. 4	ROY WORRALL .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM BARTON.

Conducted by NORMAN SHERRATT.

* First peal in the method.

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

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 9½ cwt.

*PETER G. PITT .. Treble	ERNEST W. FURBANK .. 5
NEIL V. AVIS .. 2	WALTER FELGATE .. 6
MAURICE E. DOWNS .. 3	URBAN W. WILDNEY .. 7
BERNARD W. FAIRHEAD .. 4	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by MAURICE E. DOWNS.

* First peal on eight bells. Urban W. Wildney has 'circled' this tower eight times.

Rung for the wedding of Mr. R. Robertson and Miss H. Sharp (local ringers).

KNEBWORTH, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY-THE-VIRGIN AND THOMAS-A-BECKET.

A PEAL OF 5088 MELFORD SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt.

G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. Treble	ALICK CUTLER .. 5
JOAN BERESFORD .. 2	ERIC EDMONDSON .. 6
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 3	BRIAN D. THRELFALL .. 7
PETER J. COLES .. 4	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE.

Conducted by G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY.

First peal in the method.

LYME REGIS, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL-THE-ARCHANGEL.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

CUTHBERT W. POWELL .. Treble	ANTHONY E. CLAYTON .. 5
HENRY G. KEELEY .. 2	*KENNETH G. WALLER .. 6
REV. ROGER KEELEY .. 3	RONALD N. MARLOWE .. 7
EDWARD C. READ .. 4	G. STEDMAN MORRIS .. Tenor

Composed by NOLAN GOLDEN.

Conducted by G. STEDMAN MORRIS.

* First peal on eight.

PUTNEY, LONDON.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5088 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

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

*BRIAN J. BULL .. Treble	*A. DAVID LEACH .. 5
CHARLES W. OTTLEY .. 2	NORMAN S. BAGWORTH .. 6
CHRISTOPHER F. MEW .. 3	WILFRID G. WILSON .. 7
JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. 4	THOMAS J. LOCK .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS.

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER F. MEW.

* First peal in the method. First in the method as conductor.

Rung as a compliment to Joan and Patrick Chapman on the birth of their daughter, Claire.

MELFORD SURPRISE MAJOR

x 38 x 14.56 x 56.38.14 x 14.58 x 16 x 58

2nd place. L.E. 4263857.

SELLING, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

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

A PEAL OF 5152 GLASGOW SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. in A.

ANN JENNER .. Treble	IAN H. ORAM .. 5
RALPH BIRD .. 2	*STANLEY JENNER .. 6
*DORIS E. COLGATE .. 3	JOHN R. COOPER .. 7
ARTHUR S. RICHARDS .. 4	THOMAS CULLINGWORTH .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN E. SPICE.

Conducted by IAN H. ORAM.

* 50th peal together. First in the method by all the band.

TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in F sharp.

H. Hubbard's Ten-Part.	TERENCE J. MILSOM .. 5
*DIANA M. CHAPMAN .. Treble	†HENRY TAYSON .. 6
DAVID A. BURT .. 2	ALAN F. LEE .. 7
DAVID J. BARNETT .. 3	*JULIAN NEWMAN .. Tenor
†ANTHONY W. GIBBS .. 4	

Conducted by ALAN F. LEE.

* First peal on eight. † First of Bob Triples.

WALESBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., Aug. 18, 1963, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5024 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 14 lb. in F sharp.

JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. Treble	CLAIRE DILLAMORE .. 5
JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. 2	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. 6
NORAH M. RANGLES .. 3	PETER A. SHARP .. 7
GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. 4	GEOFFREY PAUL .. Tenor

Composed by CHAS. J. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Aug. 20, 1963, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. REMIGIUS.

A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 74 lb. in G.

WILLIAM CLOVER .. Treble	FRANK C. J. ARNOLD .. 5
PETER M. ADCOCK .. 2	HENRY TOOKE .. 6
C. FRANK W. PHILIPPO .. 3	CHARLES H. MOORE .. 7
RAYMOND G. LOFTY .. 4	LESLIE F. BAILEY .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY.

Conducted by LESLIE F. BAILEY.

First peal as conductor.

Rung as a welcome to Kevin Peter, born August 15th, 1963, a son for Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Bailey.

LISKEARD, CORNWALL.

THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Aug. 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

D. ROY BOULD .. Treble	ALAN A. J. BUSWELL .. 5
MARGARET A. BOULD .. 2	HARRY STACEY .. 6
YVONNE C. PORTER .. 3	ROBERT A. SOUTHWOOD .. 7
*ROGER L. K. WHITTALL .. 4	RODNEY M. CANN .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT A. SOUTHWOOD.

* First peal of Grandsire Triples 'inside'.

A welcome home to Rodney M. Cann after two years abroad; also a birthday compliment to Mr. W. K. Whittell, and Derek Pearce, of Stratton.

ROWLEY REGIS, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Aug. 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. E. Groves' variation of J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part.

Tenor 12½ cwt. in F.

*ALLAN ROBERTS .. Treble	*C. ROGER TANDY .. 5
*JOHN E. LAWLEY .. 2	JOHN C. EISEL .. 6
MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. 3	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. 7
JEREMY A. TANDY .. 4	*BRIAN WOOTTON .. Tenor

Conducted by MARTIN D. FELLOWS.

* First peal on eight bells.

Rung as a birthday compliment to H.R.H. Princess Margaret.

HEENE, WORTHING, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Aug. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

LEONARD STILWELL .. Treble	*ALBERT W. BOND .. 5
PATRICIA DISERENS .. 2	HERBERT W. WOOLVEN .. 6
ERNEST TREAGUS .. 3	RONALD DISERENS .. 7
HENRY C. WEAVER .. 4	*RAYMOND P. WOOD .. Tenor

Conducted by RONALD DISERENS.

* 25th peal together.

Rung to mark the restoration of the spire and the replacing of the cross at the top.

**TUXFORD, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Wed., Aug. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas,*

A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

A variation of Barton's Three-Part. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 15 lb.
*P. WILLIAM BRETT .. Treble †BERYL N. REED .. 5
†JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. 2 PETER A. SHARP .. 6
JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. 3 HARRY POYNER .. 7
MARY C. POYNER .. 4 COLIN W. REED .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY POYNER.

*First peal on eight bells. †First in the method. First in the method for the Guild.

**ST. PETER'S-IN-THANET, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thurs., Aug. 22, 1963, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter.*

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in G.

*ANTHONY W. BRIDGES .. Treble NICHOLAS J. DAVIES .. 5
MARY S. TAYLOR .. 2 JOHN H. BAXTER .. 6
PAULINE FENNELL .. 3 DENNIS A. CHAPMAN .. 7
FREDERICK E. WILSHAW .. 4 FRANK C. W. KNIGHT .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM BARTON. Conducted by DENNIS A. CHAPMAN

*First peal.

**FARNHAM, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Aug. 24, 1963, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Andrew.*

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt.

ALAN D. ELSMORE .. Treble STANLEY G. PONTING .. 5
SUSAN NEWMAN .. 2 KENNETH NEWMAN .. 6
PATRICK PAGE .. 3 A. PATRICK CANNON .. 7
PETER J. JOYCE .. 4 TOM PAGE .. Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN.

Conducted by TOM PAGE.

First peal of Surprise Major as conductor. First of Surprise on the bells.

A wedding compliment to Miss P. Williamson, of Aldershot, and Dudley P. Elsmore, of Farnham, who were married this day at Aldershot.

HORSHAM, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 24, 1963, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

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

Tenor 23 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in E flat.
LEONARD STILWELL .. Treble *GEORGE FRANCIS .. 5
JOAN BERESFORD .. 2 DEREK E. SIBSON .. 6
E. JANE SIBSON .. 3 †W. LESLIE WELLER .. 7
EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. 4 DENNIS BERESFORD .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN.

Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

*First peal of 4-Spliced. †First of Spliced.

RAINHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 24, 1963, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Margaret.

A PEAL OF 5056 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18½ cwt. in E flat.

FRANCIS J. CHEAL .. Treble *TIMOTHY D. WICKINS .. 5
TREVOR A. CROSS .. 2 *CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 6
THOMAS E. SONE .. 3 ANDREW M. MACVE .. 7
RICHARD G. CROSSLAND .. 4 CYRIL S. JARRETT .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. MARTIN.

Conducted by ANDREW M. MACVE.

*First peal in the method. First in the method as conductor.

Trevor A. Cross has now 'circled the tower.'

ROTHWELL, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 24, 1963, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 21 lb. in F.

THOMAS W. STRANGEWAY Treble *IAN NORTH .. 5
PATRICIA LOCKWOOD .. 2 *ALLAN WEAR .. 6
LINDA GOTT .. 3 *ROBIN BROWN .. 7
WILLIAM DIXON .. 4 *IRVIN SLACK .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by IRVIN SLACK.

*First peal in the method. †First in the method 'inside.' First in the method on the bells.

**SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Aug. 24, 1963, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.*

A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Being 2,512 changes each of Plain Bob and Double Norwich Court; two changes of method.

Tenor 8 cwt. 48 lb. in G.
HENRY TOOKE .. Treble J. FRED MILNER .. 5
THOMAS R. SIMMONS .. 2 JOHN A. COX .. 6
ARTHUR G. BASON .. 3 ROY DUESBURY .. 7
NOLAN GOLDEN .. 4 H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

Rung in honour of the marriage this day of David Cubitt and Maureen Stammers.

STOKE, COVENTRY.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 24, 1963, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Michael.

A PEAL OF 5024 STOKE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb.

RICHARD F. B. SPEED .. Treble EDWARD HOLDSWORTH .. 5
ARTHUR WRIGHT .. 2 L. MICHAEL CALLOW .. 6
GEOFFREY PRATT .. 3 HERBERT E. ASHLEY .. 7
COLIN SWEENEY .. 4 PETER BORDER .. Tenor

Composed by THOMAS B. WORSLEY.

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

First peal in the method.

WITHYHAM, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Aug. 25, 1963, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

A PEAL OF 5194 WITHYHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 9 lb. in F.

*LEONARD STILWELL .. Treble DEREK E. SIBSON .. 5
PATRICIA DISERENS .. 2 STANLEY G. PONTING .. 6
E. JANE SIBSON .. 3 RONALD F. DISERENS .. 7
*EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. 4 RAYMOND P. WOOD .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

*200th peal together. First in the method by all the band except the ringer of the fourth.

FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

CLAWTON, DEVON.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

On Tues., July 30, 1963, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Leonard.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lb. in A.
VALERIE J. HOWARD .. Treble JOHN A. HOWARD .. 4
MARGARET A. BOULD .. 2 D. ROY BOULD .. 5
WILLIAM A. THEOBALD .. 3 TREVOR N. J. BAILEY .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM A. THEOBALD.

A 50th birthday compliment to the conductor (July 28th).

ALDEBURGH, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Mon., Aug. 5, 1963, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb. in G sharp.
VERNON B. BEDFORD .. Treble ADRIAN KNIGHTS .. 4
NORMAN P. J. COSSEY .. 2 PETER S. BEDFORD .. 5
THOMAS J. BROCK .. 3 MICHAEL J. PARKER .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL J. PARKER.

HALLING, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Aug. 5, 1963, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

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

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Tenor 9 cwt.

JOHN W. COLEMAN .. Treble MARTIN L. HOWE .. 4
*BRIAN R. TRILL .. 2 CYRIL S. JARRETT .. 5
DAVID S. OSENTON .. 3 CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. Tenor

Conducted by CYRIL S. JARRETT.

*First peal of Surprise.

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THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Aug. 6, 1963, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In eight methods, being 480 each of St. Osmund's Bob, St. Remigius' Bob, St. Simon's Bob, St. Nicholas' Bob, St. Martin's Bob, Winchendon Place Bob, Plain Bob and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, and 1,200 Plain Bob.

GLADYS RICHARDSON	Treble	ALAN G. KIRK	3
HENRY KIRK	2	ALEX RICHARDSON	4

BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

First peal on the bells.

BRAFIELD-ON-THE-GREEN, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Aug. 9, 1963, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being one 2,160 and four different extents (C.C.C. Nos. 50, 55, 58, 49, 48, 32 and 31) Tenor 12 cwt. 7 lb.

GEORGE F. ROOME	Treble	† DONALD E. TOWERS	4
* STANLEY M. RUDDLESSEN	2	* ROGER W. SMITH	5
* ALAN A. PAUL	3	* GRAHAM C. PAUL	Tenor

Conducted by GRAHAM C. PAUL.

* First peal of Surprise. † First of Minor.

Rung on the eve of the Patronal Festival; also as a 15th birthday compliment to Roger W. Smith.

ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Aug. 11, 1963, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents. Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in G.

* BERNICE STANSFIELD	Treble	ROGER LEIGH	4
JUDITH WINTERBOTTOM	2	ANTHONY HELLIWELL	5
RICHARD PARKER	3	JOHN COLLIER	Tenor

Conducted by ANTHONY HELLIWELL.

* First peal. First as conductor.

ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Aug. 12, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In five methods, being one extent each of Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Double Oxford, St. Clement's, and three of Plain Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in G.

ROBERT BOLT	Treble	RICHARD PARKER	4
ANTHONY HELLIWELL	2	ROGER LEIGH	5
ERIC WALL	3	J. BARRY PICKUP	Tenor

Conducted by ROGER LEIGH.

CROPREDY, OXFORDSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Aug. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being extents each of Oxford Bob, Double Court, Oxford T.B., St. Clement's, Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.

Tenor 16 cwt.

ROBERT A. REEVES	Treble	CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE	4
* CHARLOTTE BENNETT	2	† MICHAEL P. MORETON	5
BARRY J. DAVIES	3	WILFRID F. MORETON	Tenor

Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.

* First peal. † 200th tower for a peal.

SCOTHERN, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Aug. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GERMAINE,

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Rev. E. Banks James' arrangement. Tenor 11 cwt.

* G. ANGUS DIXON	Treble	W. STANLEY SMITH	4
* PAUL CODDINGTON	2	GEORFREY R. PARKER	5
W. ROBERT PARKER	3	† CHARLES V. CADE	Tenor

Conducted by G. ANGUS DIXON.

* First peal of Cambridge Minor. † First 'inside.' Mr. C. V. Cade has now 'circled' his home tower. Quickest peal on the bells.

Rung for the Patronal Festival.

WYKEHAM, NORTH YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Aug. 16, 1963, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In eight methods, being 480 each of Kennington, Southrepps Pleasure, April Day, Clifford's Pleasure, Reverse St. Bartholomew and Grandsire. 720 of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, 1,440 of Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb. in A.

* STEPHEN WRIGHT	Treble	ANDREW KING	3
WILLIAM FAY	2	† EDWIN P. KING	4

MICHAEL KING .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL KING.

* First peal of Doubles. † First in eight methods 'inside.' First as conductor. First on the bells.

WHETSTONE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Aug. 16, 1963, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 42 methods, being the following extents: St. Simon, Shropham, Eynsham, Cassington, Elford, St. Albans, St. Martin, St. Paul, Mileham, Austrey, St. Peter, St. Leonard, St. Nicholas, Norwich, St. Thomas, Shareshill, St. Andrew, St. Giles, St. Miles, St. Luke, St. John, Walsingham, Winchendon, Ryton, Grandsire, Newborough, Rev. St. Bartholomew, Morning Star, All Saints, Fortune, St. Columba, Rev. Canterbury Pleasure, Little Aston, Clifford's Pleasure, Southrepps Pleasure, Costessy, Besthorpe, Seighford, Old Bob, Kennington, April Day, Plain Bob.

* JEAN ENDALL	Treble	RICHARD A. COBLEY	4
* J. HEDLEY WALE	2	RUPERT A. CLARKE	5
MAURICE R. A. KIRK	3	* LESLIE PICKERING	Tenor

Conducted by MAURICE R. A. KIRK.

* First peal in 42 methods.

GOSBERTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 28 extents (ten callings) and two Morris' 240's, two Pitman's and three Price's 240's. Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb.

NORMAN B. FOVARGUE	Treble	J. EDWARD BROWN	4
PHILIP H. REYNOLDS	2	JAMES H. MUSSON	5
HARRY BARNES	3	* JOHN B. E. MOORE	Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.

* First peal in the method.

A silver wedding peal for Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wokes, The Broadway, Woodhall Spa, with best wishes from the band; also a birthday compliment to the conductor.

HAMBLEDEN, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In eight methods: (1) Hitcham Delight, (2) Kent and Oxford T.B., (3) Cambridge Surprise, (4) Double Oxford, (5) Single Oxford, (6) St. Clement's, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. 25 lb. in F sharp.

ELIZABETH BIRMINGHAM	Treble	WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM	4
* GEOFFREY RIGLAR	2	DAVID P. HILLING	5
† JENNIFER SCEENY	3	† HOWARD OGLESBY	Tenor

Conducted by HOWARD OGLESBY.

* 25th peal. † First in eight methods.

HINTON WALDRIST, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being eight extents each of Little Aston, St. Columba, Clifford's Pleasure, and nine each of Southrepps and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure (18 changes of method). Tenor 6½ cwt.

DENNIS LESLIE	Treble	NOEL D. DEAM	4
* GORDON L. BELCHER	2	ALEC GAMMON	5
ROY H. JONES	3	NORMAN LESLIE	Tenor

Conducted by ROY H. JONES.

* First peal in five methods.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Princess Anne.

MARSTON BIGOTT, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF 5040 BEVERLEY SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 12 cwt.

GEORGE W. MASSEY	Treble	FRANCIS M. MASSEY	4
RICHARD HUMPHRIES	2	RAYMOND J. BAKER	5
DAVID G. MASSEY	3	DAVID T. H. ROBERTSON	Tenor

Conducted by DAVID T. H. ROBERTSON.

First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Association.

STOTFOLD, BEDFORDSHIRE.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Aug. 18, 1963, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Comprising seven extents, with 5-6 the right way throughout.

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 lb. in G.

VERNA RIX	Treble	DAVID SAUNDERS	4
AUDREY ALEXANDER	2	GEORGE E. THODAY	5
MICHAEL D. STANFORTH	3	* PHILIP MEHEW	Tenor

Conducted by PHILIP MEHEW.

* 450th peal. First peal for ten years, and of Cambridge Minor, on the bells.

Rung before Evensong within the octave of the Patronal Festival, the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, as a farewell peal for the deputy tower captain and his wife, Michael and Margaret Stanforth.

PYLLE, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Aug. 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS-OF-CANTERBURY.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 40 extents and 240 changes, Morris' arrangement.

Tenor 10 cwt. 13 lb. in G.

A. THOMAS HARRIS... .. Treble	*BRENDA H. BOYCE 4
*SHEILA Y. HALLETT 2	†TREVOR N. J. BAILEY 5
WILLIAM T. THEOBALD 3	GWILYM SALMON Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM T. THEOBALD.

* First peal. † First of Grandsire Doubles.

SEEND, WILTSHIRE.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Aug. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 22 extents Grandsire (ten callings) and 20 Plain Bob (four callings). Tenor 14 cwt.

K. BARRY OSBORNE Treble	SAMUEL COTTLE 4
*COLIN HILLIER (14) 2	†DERRICK P. BAILEY 5
PAMELA A. OSBORNE 3	JAMES ABBOTT Tenor

Conducted by DERRICK P. BAILEY.

* First peal, first attempt. † First peal.

Rung to mark the first anniversary of the St. Mary's, Devizes, reformed band of change-ringers.

A PEAL OF MINIMUS

FRITWELL, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Aug. 12, 1963, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OLAVE.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINIMUS

Being five extents of Canterbury Pleasure, 35 each of Double Canterbury and Plain Bob (31 changes of method). Tenor 7 cwt. (approx.).

*DAVID G. OLIVER Treble	ROY H. JONES 3
GORDON L. BELCHER 2	NOEL D. DEAM Tenor

Conducted by ROY H. JONES.

* First peal attempt. First on the bells, and first in six methods for all the band, and for the Guild.

Rung as a birthday compliment to David Oliver.

HANDBELL PEALS

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On Wed., Aug. 7, 1963, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes.

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

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Consisting of an extent each of London Bob, Hereward Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor size 15 in C.

*RODNEY A. YEATES .. 1-2	ROBIN G. TURNER 3-4
ALAN R. PATTERSON 5-6	

Conducted by ROBIN G. TURNER.

* First handbell peal in seven methods.

NORBURY, HAZEL GROVE, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Aug. 7, 1963, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

IN THE BELFERY OF ST. THOMAS' CHURCH.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor size 16 in B.

FRANK OSBALDISTON .. 1-2	NEIL BENNETT 5-6
BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 3-4	ROBERT B. SMITH 7-8
*GILES B. THOMPSON .. 9-10	

Arranged and Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

* First peal on ten handbells.

BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Aug. 8, 1963, in 2 Hours and 17 Minutes.

IN THE BELFERY OF THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

*RUPERT A. CLARKE .. 1-2	†JOHN A. ACRES 5-6
DAVID F. MOORE 3-4	B. STEDMAN PAYNE 7-8
†BRIAN G. WARWICK .. 9-10	

Conducted by DAVID F. MOORE.

* First peal of Royal 'inside.' † 300th peal together.

NORTHWRAM, HALIFAX, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Aug. 12, 1963, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes.

AT 45, WESTERCROFT LANE.

A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

JEANNE E. BOTTOMLEY .. 1-2	WILLIAM BARTON 5-6
VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. 3-4	FREDERICK A. MUNDAY .. 7-8

Composed by YORK GREEN. Conducted by WILLIAM BARTON.

QUARTER PEALS

AXMINSTER, DEVON.—On Aug. 20th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. C. W. Powell 1, Rev. R. Keeley (cond.) 2, Rev. C. Marshall 3, F. Knight 4, G. S. Morris 5, C. W. Powell 6, W. E. Turner 7, H. G. Keeley 8.

BECKLEY, OXON.—On Aug. 18th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Rev. Canterbury, Grandsire): L. Porter 1, Rev. Hugh Benson 2, G. Belcher 3, R. Jones 4, N. Deam (cond.) 5. For the Patronal Festival.

BETHERSDEN, KENT.—On Aug. 18th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. W. Marshall 1, L. Sweatman 2, P. Jarvis 3, J. V. Richards 4, W. W. Ring (cond.) 5, P. Martin 6. For Matins.

BINSTED, HANTS.—On Aug. 17th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: K. Sansom 1, Lesley Read (first of Minor) 2, B. S. Gambrell 3, D. P. Treble 4, B. R. Walton 5, D. M. Hughes (cond.) 6.

BLEWBURY, BERKS.—On Aug. 18th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: P. Corderoy 1, H. W. Dunsden 2, A. R. T. Greenough 3, E. J. Grace 4, J. P. Blond 5, Claude Corderoy 6, R. B. Blond (cond.) 7, Cecil Corderoy 8. Arranged for Jim Blond, on holiday from Grimsby, and rung before morning service.

BURSTOW, SURREY.—On July 12th, 1,440 Minor (St. Clement's and Plain Bob): Valerie J. Hollingsworth 1, Elizabeth M. Harris 2, C. Jane Smart 3, D. Slater 4, J. A. Howard 5, F. H. Hicks (cond.) 6. First 720 of St. Clement's by 1, 2, 3 and 4.

CHELFORD, CHESHIRE.—On Aug. 3rd, 1,240 Plain Bob Minor: A. Rothwell (first quarter) 1, S. Coutts 2, D. Welch 3, A. Schofield 4, P. Dale 5, F. Osbaldiston (cond.) 6.

CHUBHAM, SURREY.—On Aug. 17th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: D. G. Blows 1, Miss R. Stevens 2, R. V. Johnson 3, D. G. Wright 4, R. Collins 5, J. W. Priest 6, E. J. Wells (cond.) 7, C. J. Hudson 8. First of Stedman 2 and 6.

CLAINES, WORCESTER.—On Aug. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. Wilson 1, A. White 2, Gillian P. Blackwell 3, Cathleen S. Heaney 4, A. Morgan 5, E. Whittall 6, R. Woodyatt (cond.) 7, H. Homans 8. Rung by the Sunday service band as a 21st birthday compliment to ringer of the fourth.

EAST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.—On July 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Glenda M. Becket (first quarter) 1, Diana J. Burcher 2, R. Jean Osbon 3, C. Jane Smart 4, F. H. Hicks 5, M. P. Howard 6, D. Slater (first of Triples as cond.) 7, A. Matheson (first quarter) 8. For Evensong.

FARNINGHAM, KENT.—On Aug. 17th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: T. Lewis (first of Treble Bob) 1, Maria E. Kirby 2, Sheila Copping (first of Surprise) 3, P. Spice 4, N. Waite 5, P. T. Hurcombe (cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to Mrs. K. W. Kirby and Miss Rosemary M. Jenkins.

FOWEY, CORNWALL.—On June 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Major: R. A. Southwood 1, Margaret A. Bould 2, A. J. Davidson 3, D. R. Bould 4, A. Carveth (cond.) 5, H. F. Myers 6, T. G. Myers 7, C. J. B. Taylor 8.

GEDLING, NOTTS.—On Aug. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Marsh 1, G. A. Dawson 2, Ruth Blackshaw 3, M. W. Harrison 4, J. A. Heaps (cond.) 5, D. Sermon 6. Birthday compliments to Mrs. J. Dawson and Mrs. E. M. Dawson, also congratulations to Miss C. Jenkins (local ringer) on her engagement. Also on Aug. 17th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: R. Blackshaw 1, R. Benfield 2, M. W. Harrison 3, D. Surmon 4, G. A. Dawson 5, W. L. Exton (cond.) 6. A 21st birthday compliment to the Rector's son, Robert J. F. Watson (local ringer).

GOLDINGTON, BEDS.—On July 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss M. Cope (first quarter) 1, Miss M. Edwards 2, Miss D. Hopkins 3, E. White 4, L. Duffield 5, J. Edwards (cond.) 6. For annual Rose Service.

GREAT BARFORD, BEDS.—On June 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. White 1, Mrs. Marshall 2, L. Duffield 3, R. French 4, J. Edwards (cond.) 6.

HEVER, KENT.—On Aug. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. M. Hollyman 1, Elizabeth A. Tester 2, D. R. B. Collins 3, D. J. M. Cox 4, G. F. Roome 5, B. E. Jeffrey (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

LISS, HANTS.—On Aug. 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Patricia Smith 1, Lesley Read 2, Rosemarie Wakon 3, D. M. Hughes 4, B. R. Walton (cond.) 5, B. C. Kercher 6. For Evensong.

GREAT MONGEHAM, KENT.—On Aug. 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Jull 1, Miss M. J. Phillips 2, Miss R. D. Phillips 3, F. W. Lawrence 4, M. D. Atfield (cond.) 5, H. Sparrow 6. First quarter 1, 3 and 6.

HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.—On Aug. 11th, 1,320 Bob Doubles: D. Barker 1, H. W. Harrison 2, J. Downe 3, B. Blackshaw (cond.) 4, J. A. Heaps 5. For Evensong.

KNEBWORTH, HERTS.—On Aug. 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: S. F. Bradshaw 1, P. Crane 2, F. J. Robinson 3, B. L. Marks 4, C. A. Crikley 5, G. W. Crikley (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

LANREATH, CORNWALL.—On Aug. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Stephens (first quarter) 1, C. Riddy 2, G. F. Dunstan 3, Mrs. R. O. Mossop 4, A. J. Davidson (cond.) 5, G. W. Riddy 6.

MARKET LAVINGTON, WILTS.—On Aug. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: H. G. Cooper (first quarter) 1, H. Turner 2, Rev. R. O. Fry (conductor) 3, S. A. Turner 4, G. W. R. Coward (first 'inside') 5, T. E. J. Gye 6.

MEARS ASHBY, NORTHAMPTON.—On Aug. 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Rosemary Elsdon (first quarter) 1, Judy Collins (first 'inside') 2, J. Collins 3, B. Vickers 4, W. G. Callis (cond.) 5, B. Mabbutt 6. For the 50th anniversary of the re-hanging of the bells, and for 50 years as a ringer for J. Collins.

OXFORD.—On July 21st, at the Church of St. Aldate, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. E. Ivings 1, E. R. Venn (cond.) 2, A. J. Adams 3, R. H. Allsworth 4, J. Venn 5, P. J. Heritage 6. For Evensong, and as a birthday compliment to the mother of ringer of fourth. Also on July 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss G. Gray 1, E. R. Venn (cond.) 2, P. J. Heritage 3, J. Venn 4, R. H. Allsworth 5, A. E. Ivings 6. For Evensong, and as a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. Venn.

ROTHERSTHORPE, NORTHANTS.—On July 23rd, 1,440 Doubles (12 methods): R. Russell 1, G. C. Paul (cond.) 2, G. F. Roome 3, R. W. Smith 4, A. A. Paul 5. Also 1,320 Doubles (11 methods): A. A. Paul 1, R. Russell 2, R. W. Smith (first as cond.) 3, G. C. Paul 4, G. F. Roome 5. Both rung for the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. J. Paul.

LATE NOTICES

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Calne Branch.—Meeting, Bremhill, Sept. 14th. Service 6 p.m. Names for tea to W. Frayling, 9, Lodowicks, Bremhill, Calne. 3159

ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD.—The quarterly meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Tenby (8), on Sat., Sept. 14th, at 3 p.m. Names for tea to H. Jenkins, Nythfa, St. Mary Street, Tenby, Pembro, as soon as possible. Note new Guild rule—No name no tea. 3162

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BOWEN.—On August 26th at St. Brenda's Maternity Hospital, Clifton, Bristol, to Elisabeth (née Grime) and Richard, a son, Jonathan Allan David. 3117

ENGAGEMENT

ROSE—GRIFFITHS.—The engagement is announced between Michael Rose, of St. Mary's, Eassey, Kent (previously C.U.G.C.R.), and Hilary Griffiths, of SS. Mary and Michael's, Trumpington (previously All Saints, Landbeach); both now at St. Anne's, Highgate, N.6. 3107

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

As from September 7th Mr. Frank C. W. Knight's address will be 'The Firs,' Stockbridge Road, Winchester, Hants. All ringers and friends welcome. 3109

PERSONAL

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OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Will all members please note that the Festival 1964 will be held on Saturday, June 27th, and not in July as is customary.—Marie R. Cross, Hon. Gen. Sec. 3145

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PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Summer festival, September 7th. Details: Whissendine bells are at the foundry; Lyndon 4-bell tower also available.

MEETINGS

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—Meeting, Saturday, September 7th. Cardington bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Further ringing during evening.—F. W. Rivett, Dis. Sec. 3090

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Meeting, Saturday, September 7th, at Chatteris. Bells (6) 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—D. F. Murfet, Dis. Sec. 3088

GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bristol City Branch.—Saturday, September 7th, 8 a.m., Corporate Communion at the Cathedral. Also Saturday, September 7th, a ringing meeting at Christ Church (city). Bells available (10) 3 p.m. and after tea. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—D. J. Hunt, Sec. 3121

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Practice meeting at St. Paul's, Walden, on Saturday, September 7th, at 5.30 p.m.—E. Buck, Dis. Sec. 3064

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Watford District.—Meeting at Abbots Lanley (6), Saturday, September 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to: Miss B. Harris, 34, Abbots Road, Abbots Langley.—J. M. Bunyan, Dis. Sec. 3082

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—By-meeting at Milton Regis on Saturday, September 7th. Names for tea to Mr. N. Crane, 57, Maidstone Road, Rainham, Gillingham. No name no tea!—L. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec. 3045

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—A by-meeting will be held at Sandhurst on Saturday, Sept. 7th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. W. H. Dobbie, 13, Baltic Road, Tonbridge.—W. H. D. 3047

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Caistor, September 7th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. T. Richards, Nettleton Road, Caistor.—C. A. H. 3080

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Sonning Deanery Branch.—Combined practices will be held at Sonning on September 7th, and Hurst on September 21st, both at 6 p.m. Special methods for practice: at Sonning, St. Clement's; at Hurst, Yorkshire Surprise.—B. C. Castle. 3109

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—South Oxon Branch.—Chalgrove, quarterly meeting, Saturday, September 7th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to J. Godman, 22, Sunnyside, Benson, Oxon. 2979

ANNUAL LICHFIELD DIOCESAN RINGING FESTIVAL

Shropshire Assn., Stafford Archdeaconry Society, North Staffs Assn.
Saturday, September 7th, 1963.

The following towers will be available during the day:

Madeley (6), Betley (6),	10-11.30 a.m.
Keele (6)	11 a.m.-12.30 p.m.
Barthomley (8).	12 noon-2 p.m.
Audley (8), Wolstanton (8).	1-3 p.m.
Silverdale (8).	2-4 p.m.
Newcastle-u-Lyme (10).	3.30-4.30 p.m.
Service at St. Giles', Newcastle.	4.30 p.m.
Tea in St. Giles' Parish Hall.	5 p.m.
Newcastle-u-Lyme (10),	6-8 p.m.
Eccleshall (8),	
Stone (8),	
Broughton (8),	7-8.30 p.m.
Swynnerton (6).	

Names for tea to Mr. A. Moore, 54, Enderly Street, Newcastle, Staffs, by Monday, September 2nd, 1963. Accommodation limited. No name no tea.—J. G. Burton, Hon. Sec. 2944

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Weston Underwood on September 7th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Names for tea, to Mr. V. Adams, 7, The Close, Weston Underwood, Olney, Bucks.—R. W. Sear, Hon. Sec. 3072

SELBY & DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Monthly meeting, Sherburn-in-Elmet, Saturday, September 7th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Please provide own food, cups of tea only available.—L. M. Woodhead, Hon. Sec. 3119

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Monthly meeting, Handsworth, September 7th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Tea in the Parish Centre at 5 p.m. It is important that Mr. J. L. Gilbert, 10, Pye Bank Close, Sheffield 3, be notified. Treeton bells (6) also available 7-9 p.m.—J. Seager. 3094

SOUTH DEVON ASSOCIATION and Mid-Devon Branch of the DEVONSHIRE GUILD.—The annual joint meeting of change and call change ringers is planned for Saturday, September 7th, at North Bovey (6) and, after tea, at Moretonhampstead (8). 3099

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Crawford Cup Final, September 7th, at Radcliffe-on-Trent. Contest 3. Tea 5. Service 6.15. Names for tea to W. L. Exton, St. Owen's, Whatton.—R. Blackshaw. 3059

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—Practice meeting, West Hoathly, Saturday, September 7th, 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names to F. I. Hairs, Norman Cottage, Groombridge. Tel 438.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Cheltenham Branch.—Monthly meeting, Childswichham (6). Tuesday, September 10th, 7.30 p.m.—E. M. Bliss. 3136

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—Evening practice at Mells on Wednesday, September 11th, 7.30.—H. Kingcott. 3103

BARNLEY & DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Cup contest will be held at Hoylandswaine, near Sheffield, Saturday, September 14th. Fee 6s—send in to James W. Buxton, Roydhouse, Shelley, Huddersfield. For tea please notify Mr. Keith Muxworthy, 303, Barnsley Road, Hoylandswaine Sheffield. 3155

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Branch.—Meeting, Rockwell Green, Saturday, September 14th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, please, Sampford-Arundel bells available after tea.—A. H. Reed, Mimosa, George Street, Taunton. 3066

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade District.—Meeting at Maulden (8) on Saturday, September 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by short business meeting and handbell ringing display. Service 6.30 p.m.—M. Major, Dis. Sec. 3118

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northwich Branch.—Meeting at Hartford on Saturday, September 14th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to R. W. Worrall, 1, Vale Road, Hartford, Northwich. 3142

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Chesterfield District.—Outing to Loughborough Bell Foundry on Saturday, September 14th. All welcome. Anyone not having the circulated details please contact Malcolm Phipps (Sec.), 18, Dowdeswell Street, Chesterfield, as soon as possible. 3138

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.—The annual meeting will take place on September 14th at Dudley. Service in St. Thomas' Church at 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Names for tea to me by Thursday previous. Regret no name no tea. Towers available: Brierley Hill (8). 9.45-10.45 a.m.; Stourbridge (Wollaston) (6). 10.15-11.15 a.m.; Stourbridge (St. Thomas') (8). 11 a.m.-12 noon; Stourbridge (Old Swinford) (8). 11.40 a.m.-12.40 p.m.; Cradley (8). 1-2; Halesowen (8). 2-3; Netherton (8). 2.45-3.45; Dudley (10). 3.30-4.10 p.m. and after business meeting.—M. D. Fellows, Hon. Sec., 14, Western Road, Stourbridge, Worcs. 3150

DURHAM & NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—Sunderland (St. Ignatius). Saturday, September 14th, 3 p.m. Names for tea by September 11th to Mr. R. Bell. 22, Brinkburn Street, Sunderland. 3116

EAST GRINSTEAD & DISTRICT GUILD.—Meeting at Nutfield on Saturday, September 14th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.30. Ringing at Godstone from 6.30-8.30 p.m. Last chance to book for outing. 3148

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cambridge District.—Saturday, September 14th, meeting at Haslingfield. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—E. W. Bullman. 3146

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.W. District.—A meeting will be held on Saturday, September 14th, at Moreton. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m.—G. Blake, Hamlet House, Roydon Hamlet, Harlow, Essex. 3089

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Swindon Branch.—Meeting, September 14th, Lydiard Millicent (6) 3-5 p.m. Tea, Red House, Purton. 5.15 p.m. Evening ringing at Purton (6). No name no tea. Names to Luton, 169, Cheney Manor Road, Swindon, by Wednesday. 3140

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Flamstead, September 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. E. Smith, Rose Cottage, Flamstead. 3151

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—By-meeting, September 14th. Boxley. Bells approx. 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea supplied only for those who notify Mr. S. G. Smith, 75, Cobtree Estate, Chatham Road, Sandling, Maidstone. Special methods: Norfolk S. Minor and Union Doubles.—M. W. Gilbert, Dis. Sec. 3132

LADIES' GUILD.—Midland District.—Meeting at Syston (8). Saturday, September 14th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and meeting at Red Cross Hall, Chabel Street, 5 p.m. Names for tea to: Mrs. E. F. Payne, 6, The Green, Syston, Leics. Gentlemen cordially invited.—S. E. Chesterton, Hon. Sec. 3060

LADIES' GUILD.—North Western District.—Joint meeting with Preston Branch of Lancashire Association on Saturday, September 14th, at St. John's Church, Preston. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Tea provided for those who notify, by previous Wednesday, Mr. C. Cross-thwaite, 45, Herschell Street, Frenchwood, Preston. 3012

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—Meeting at Shore, Littleborough, on Saturday, September 14th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5. Business 6 p.m. All welcome.—J. P. Partington. 3105

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—Joint meeting with LADIES' GUILD, North Western District, at Preston Parish Church, Saturday, September 14th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, by Wednesday, 11th, to Mr. C. Cross-thwaite, 45, Herschell Street, Preston. Woodhouse ringing machine demonstration after tea.—L. Walmsley. 3134

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Loughborough District.—Meeting at Swebstone on Saturday, September 14th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Church Hall at 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. H. Carter, Dishley Farm, Measham, by Wednesday, September 11th. 3101

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Long Sutton, Saturday, September 14th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.30. Names for tea to me.—K. R. Davey, Hon. Dis. Sec., 19, High Street, Holbeach, Spalding, Lincs. 3102

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Central Branch.—Meeting, Leadenham (6), September 14th. Methods: London Surprise, Double Court. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, by the Monday previous, please to Mr. W. North, High Street, Leadenham.—S. A. Chambers, Hon. Sec. 3095

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.—Llandaff Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Baglan (6), Saturday, Sept. 14th. Ringing 2.30 p.m. and 6 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business to follow. Names for tea by September 10th, to W. J. Goodfellow, 50, Neville Street, Cardiff. 3087

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Meeting, Saturday, September 14th, at All Saints', Poplar. Bells (10) from 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. (own arrangements). Evensong 6 p.m., followed by short business meeting and further ringing.—M. Powell, Sec. 3124

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—N. & E. District.—Evening meeting, September 14th, at All Saints', Harrow Weald. Ringing from 6 to 8.30 p.m.—E. H. Kilby, Dis. Sec. 3115

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guliborough Branch.—Meeting, Long Buckby, Saturday, September 14th. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to J. E. Goddard, 45, Station Road, Long Buckby, Rugby. 3149

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—The practice meeting on Saturday, September 14th, will be at Washington, and not Findon as arranged. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to E. W. Keys, 'Greystones', Salthill Road, Fishbourne, Chichester. 3128

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Dorset Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, September 14th, Iwerne Minster. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names by Wednesday, September 11th, to Richard Longridge, The Rectory, Okeford Fitzpaine. Tel.: Childe Okeford 311. 3142

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, September 14th, St. Andrew's, Holborn. 3-4.30 p.m. Tea at St. Andrew's Rectory 4.45 p.m. Evening ringing St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington. 6.45-8 p.m. Names for tea to F. J. Matthews, 145, Wimbledon Park Road, S.W.18. 3142

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Notts District.—Meeting at Rampton (6). Saturday, September 14th. Sorry, no tea arrangements.—H. Denman. 3137

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD (Bingham District) and **LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD** (Melton District).—Meeting on September 14th at Bottesford. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. Box, 6, Belvoir Drive, Bottesford, Nottingham, by September 11th, please. 3123

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Christchurch District Ringing Festival, Saturday, September 14th, 1963. Programme—Tour (private car): Meet Milford-on-Sea (8), ringing 10-11 a.m.: Ringwood (8) 11.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m. (Lunch, own arrangements): Fordingbridge (8) 2-3: Bournemouth St. John's, Surrey Road, 2.30-3.30: St. Peter's 3.30-5. Service, Christchurch Priory, 5.30. Meat tea (5s.). Priory Church Hall, 6 p.m. Ringing on Priory bells (12) 7-9 p.m. Tickets (5s. each) from A. V. Davis, 24, Stourcliffe Avenue, Southbourne, Bournemouth. All applications for tea tickets by Thursday, September 12th, please. 2998

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—Joint meeting with Beverley and District Society at Bridlington Priory Church on September 14th. Bells (8) 2.30 to 9. Service 4.15. Tea in Schoolroom. Names by Thursday, September 12th, please, to Mr. J. A. Parker, 188, Queensgate, Bridlington, East Yorkshire. —H. S. Mozley, Hon. Dis. Sec. 3075

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Meeting, Whitley (6), Saturday, September 14th. Bells from 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. H. Mann, Tanyard House, 1, Stonegate, Whitley, Yorks. All welcome. Edward Hudson, Hon. Sec. 3154

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S, CREWKERNE, SOMERSET.—Annual tower Sunday, September 15th. Service 6.30 p.m. Preacher, Rev. C. J. B. Marshall. Ringing 5 p.m. and after service. All welcome. 3112

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Practice at Egham on Tuesday, Sept. 17th. Bells (8) available from 7 p.m.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guildford District.—Meeting at Cranleigh, Saturday, September 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. L. Warner, Fairmead, Parkhouse Green, Cranleigh. 3073

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.—East Devon Branch.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Luppitt on September 21st. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business after. Names for tea by 18th to Mr. Sage, Shelvin Farm, Luppitt. Phone 267.—W. Webb, Sec. 3079

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Eastern Branch.—Meeting at Spilsey, Saturday, September 21st. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea in Church Hall at 5 p.m. For tea please notify me by Monday, September 16th.—W. E. Clarke, 99, Norfolk Street, Boston. 3153

SALISBURY GUILD.—West Dorset Branch.—Meeting at Chardstock, Saturday, September 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea for those who notify N. G. Toms, The Hollies, Storridge Lane, Chardstock, Axminster, Devon, by Tuesday, September 17th. 3110

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting at Charlwood (6), September 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. A. J. Ede, Claremont Villas, Charlwood, by September 18th.—G. A. W. 3100

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Southern Division) and **LADIES' GUILD** (Sussex District).—Joint meeting at St. Peter's, Brighton (not Hurstpierpoint), Saturday, September 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meetings and further ringing. Names for tea by Wednesday, September 18th, please, to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierpoint. 3131

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—Meeting at Chaddesley Corbett, Saturday, September 21st, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and business. Names for tea by 18th. Accommodation limited.—Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., 17, Ham Lane, Pedmore, Stourbridge. 3113

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Next general meeting at Rotherham on September 21st. Bells (10) available 2.30-4.30 p.m. and after the meeting. General Committee meet in Parish Hall, Moorgate, 3.30 p.m. prompt. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and general meeting in the Parish Hall. Names for tea by 19th inst. to Mr. N. Chaddock, 17, Herringthorpe Grove, Broom, Rotherham.—L. W. G. Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec., Lilycroft Road, Bradford 9. 3152

RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD

Autumn meeting at Lincoln.

Saturday, September 28th.

Service in Cathedral, 4.30 p.m.

Tea at Eastgate Court Hotel, 5.15 p.m., followed by meeting.

Ringling arrangements:

St. Botolph's (6). 10.30 a.m.-12 noon.

Lunch 12.30 p.m.

Cathedral (12). 2.45-4.25 and 6.45-8.45.

St. Peter-at-Gowts (6). 2-4: St. Giles' (8). 2-4 p.m.

Please note.—

Applications for lunch and tea to Mr. J. Walden, 50, Cecil Street, Lincoln.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—The autumn general meeting of the Guild will be held at Windsor on Saturday, October 5th. 2.15 p.m. meeting in the Parish Hall, Grove Road. 3.45 tea. 5 p.m. service in St. George's Chapel. Ringing arrangements as on agenda. Notification of intention to attend the service and applications for tea tickets (3s. each), together with remittance, must be sent to Miss D. J. Pollard, 49, Foxborough Road, Radley, Abingdon, Berks, before Tuesday, October 1st. This will help those concerned with the arrangements at Windsor.—M. R. Cross, Hon. Gen. Sec. 3144

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CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual dinner will be held in the Town Hall, Macclesfield, on Saturday, October 5th. Meet 6 for 6.30 p.m. Service 5 p.m. at St. Michael's Parish Church, conducted by the Archdeacon of Macclesfield (Ven. T. Clarke). Preacher, The Lord Bishop of Stockport (the Rt. Rev. D. H. Saunders Davies, R.M.C.). Tickets £1 1s. each (junior members, under 18 years of age, 18s. each). Application for tickets to Mr. H. C. Lanyon, 8, Cardigan Close, Macclesfield, Cheshire, by first post Monday, September 30th. Ringing arrangements: Sutton (6), Chelford (6), Congleton (8), Prestbury (8), from 2-4 p.m.; Christ Church (10), St. Peter's (8), 2-4.30 p.m.; St. Michael's (12), 2-5 p.m. By arrangement: Bollington (8), Gawsorth (8) and Bosley (6), 2-4 p.m.—Henry O. Baker, Gen. Sec. 3015

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