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**St. James'
Cathedral,
Bury St. Edmunds,
Suffolk**



Cover Picture

St. James' Cathedral, Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk

By GEORGE W. PIPE

THIS YEAR the capital of West Suffolk is commemorating the 1,100th anniversary of the martyrdom of St. Edmund, the brave young East Anglian King, whose shrine ensured for all time wealth and strength for his monastery and ultimately for St. Edmundsbury, or Bury St. Edmunds as we now know it.

Until 1914 Suffolk was contained in the Dioceses of Ely and Norwich, but at the formation of the St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocese, St. James', Bury, was chosen as the mother church for the new diocese.

From its inception plans were envisaged to enlarge and beautify the church to meet the needs of the new diocese, but it was not until 1954 that approval for a major appeal was granted by the Bishop. Like all appeals, their story is full of incident, sometimes rejoicing, sometimes disappointment at lack of response. But faith has prevailed and stimulated by many people—creatures great and small—and spearheaded by Provost Waddington, former vicar of St. Peter Mancroft, a beautiful work now stands before us. Already its services and its plans show that this is not to be just a monument, but sensitive and understanding to the call of the present and the future.

The Suffolk Guild was privileged to be allotted five seats at the consecration service of the Quire and Crossing on September 29, including places for the master and his wife. And what a glittering and moving occasion this service was, yet portraying a very simple and humble expression of grati-

tude. The Cathedral bells were rung before and after the service with, let it be said, four of our ringing clergy taking part.

The Campanile of the Cathedral is universally known as the Norman Tower and was built at the time of Abbot Anselm (c. 1119–1148). It was in fact the cemetery gate leading direct to the west front of the great Abbey itself, and is one of the most remarkable structures of this period extant in Britain. It is complete except for the removal of the richly-carved tympanum in 1798, which apparently interfered with the passage of hay and straw carts!

Eighty-six feet high and 36 feet square, its walls are six feet thick and faced with Barnack stone. In this massive tower hangs an interesting ring of ten bells (tenor 30 cwt.). Interesting, not only because they were all cast in the year 1785 (an uncommon event for ten in those days), but that they represent probably the best work of that reputable founder, Thomas Osborn, of Downham Market.

In the writer's opinion the quality of these bells is marred by acoustics, their extreme falseness and the need for rehangings and retuning. Nevertheless, the tower and belfry are well worth a visit and the peal boards tell of famous names long since gone—the Moores, the Chinerys and Percy O. Lafin.

Obviously it is the fervent wish of the Suffolk Guild, now that the Cathedral has been so successfully restored, extended and beautified, that in the course of time the work will be completed by a worthy renovation of the ring of ten.

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Organised by Mr. Frank Reynolds, general secretary, and Mrs. Celia D'Aeth, the Lancashire Association held a very successful dinner dance at the Royal Hotel, Southport, last Saturday. A full report will be given next week.



[Photo: Weston Mercury.]

"This is what you are going to eat!"—The Bishop of Bath and Wells (Dr. E. B. Henderson) reads the menu to various officers and guests at the 80th anniversary dinner of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, held at Weston-super-Mare and reported in a recent issue of the R.W.

L.-r.: Rev. R. N. Longridge (president, Salisbury Guild), Mr. J. H. Gilbert (general secretary, Bath and Wells Association), Mr. W. F. Scudamore (master, Gloucester and Bristol Association), Mrs. Scudamore, Mrs. J. H. Gilbert, the Bishop, Miss M. Legg, Mrs. Warren and Rev. H. F. Warren, (master, Bath and Wells Association).

Worcestershire Association Proprieties Observed But Informality Adds Pleasure and Enjoyment

The 33rd Annual Dinner of the Worcestershire and District Change Ringing Association, which was held at Trinity House Ballroom, Worcester, on October 24, was well supported, 172 being present, one fewer than last year. Although the proprieties of the occasion were strictly observed, there was a relaxed atmosphere throughout the proceedings and an informality which added to the pleasure and enjoyment of those attending.

The dinner was advertised at 6.15 for 6.30 and right on time the Dean of Worcester (Very Rev. D. E. W. Kemp), who presided, invited the association chaplain (Rev. H. L. Davies) to say Grace, and an excellent meal was well served by a team of young ladies whose average age could not have been more than 14 years. The tables, dotted over the ballroom, each accommodated eight persons, the top table being the exception, where were seated the master (Mr. W. B. Cartwright), the Dean, the chaplain and Mrs. Davies, Mr. Glynne Hastings (hon. secretary Three Counties Show) and Mrs. Hastings, Mr. George Cousins (hon. general secretary Hereford Guild) and Mrs. Cousins, Mr. Morley P. Tobin (master, Northern Branch) and Mrs. Tobin, Mr. David Beacham (general secretary) and Mr. C. W. Denyer (Editor, Ringing World).

At the outset the Dean, who is president of the association, welcomed the company and introduced the guests. Following the meal and the loyal toast, Mr. George Cousins gave the toast to the association. He first explained the doubtful blessings of the stretches of roads being constructed between Hereford and Worcester and added that at their own dinner (the Hereford's) the previous Saturday, the Worcester secretary had proposed the toast to the Hereford Association, and this was now a reciprocal toast to their association.

The speaker then proceeded to delve into his memory of days gone by, his own experiences with ringing in the two counties, of the Three Counties Show during last summer when the Expo Belfry was on show, and of the interest taken in the bellringing display. Mr. Cousins also expressed appreciation to non-ringing wives who patiently waited whilst their spouses were away on ringing activities. He concluded by repeating what the Bishop of Hereford had said the previous week—the importance of training young people correctly and encouraging them in bellringing. It was gratifying to see so many youngsters present that evening.

CORNISHMAN RESPONDS

Mr. Morley P. Tobin (master, Northern Branch), who left his beloved county of Cornwall four years ago to take up an appointment in Worcester (where not only has he learned change ringing but also married a charming lady from Wolverhampton), responded in a happy and jocular vein, which was well received. He then proceeded to toast The Ringing World and its Editor. He made reference to the improved quality of the journal and said his first complaint in four years must be made that evening. He had received through the post the day before a copy of The Ringing World which had two of one section, but one other section was missing. However, he realised he was in possession of a valuable copy and invited the company (in spite of this) to toast The Ringing World and its Editor, which was cheerfully done.

LIFEBLOOD OF THE EXERCISE

Replying, Mr. Denyer thanked Mr. Tobin for the happy way he had proposed the toast, and the assembled company for the



Mr. W. B. Cartwright, master of the association, with the Very Rev. Dr. M. Kemp (Dean of Worcester), the president. (R.W. photo.)

warmth of its reception. He told of the friendship he had had for over 40 years with one of the Worcestershire Association members present that evening, Mr. Reginald Chance, who had been stationed in Aldershot in 1930. He spoke of the problems facing The Ringing World Committee, who had to face the rising costs of production and increased postal rates during 1971. Quoting a recent comment by the Salisbury Guild president that The Ringing World was the handmaid of the Exercise, Mr. Denyer said he felt it was more than that; it was the very lifeblood of it, for if anyone stopped to think what it would be like without a bellringing paper it would be realised that guilds and associations would become very parochial. Peal and quarter peal ringing would not be reported or even heard about. However, he believed that ringers everywhere would continue to support the journal and asked those present to play their part for the benefit of the Exercise in general and The Ringing World in particular.

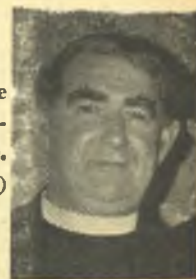
THE RIGHT MAN

The master of the association proposed the toast to the president and went to considerable lengths to explain the reasons for the Dean's quiet reserve at the previous dinner and of his animation on this, his second appearance as their president at this annual function. "He is really enjoying himself tonight," said Mr. Cartwright, "and we know he is the right man in the right place, as far as our association is concerned."

In his reply the Dean amused the company with the problems he faced whilst being in charge of the Diocese since the Bishop had left and until the arrival of a successor. It meant he had to write letters to himself (for the record) to ensure that the acting head of the Diocese was aware of what the Dean had been doing and to assure the acting head of the Diocese that the Dean was carrying out his duties correctly.

He concluded by thanking the bellringers for their services, and although he had not rung a bell since the last dinner his daughter had now taken up the art and would represent him (the Dean) in the tower.

The entertainment which followed was lively and enjoyable and included change ringing on handbells by Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Drew, Mrs. J. Thomas and Mr. G. C. Bagley, whilst tunes delighted the company as played by Eric Styler, Roger Hunt and Michael Leek, of Feckenham. Mr. John Emms, a local resident, who is a powerful



The Chaplain of the Worcestershire Association (Rev. H. L. Davies). (R.W. photo.)

baritone, also entertained with popular selections whilst accompanying himself on the piano.

At the close the Dean expressed thanks to the organising committee, and the general secretary in particular, for their work, and also to those who had entertained the company. He felt that it had been a happy occasion and an enjoyable evening, a statement with which all present concurred.



Mr. Reg Chance, Mr. and Mrs. George Cousins, with Mr. David Beacham, the association's general secretary, standing behind, (R.W. photo.)

Bath and Wells Association.**COMPETITION AWARDS**

On September 5 the Ilchester Branch held its quarterly meeting at the Parish Church of St. Mary, Stoke-sub-Hamdon, when there was an exceptionally good attendance during the afternoon and evening. The vicar (Rev. F. W. Thomas) conducted the guild service, with Mr. Ken Russell as organist, and in his address the vicar spoke of the importance of the work of church bell-ringers. He also extended a warm welcome to all present. The good-going 17 cwt. six (one of the most popular rings in "Ilchester") was put to good use under the direction of Mr. Gordon Rendell, branch ringing master.

At the business meeting following, held in the church, new members were elected as follows: Mrs. Margaret J. Shaw (Somerton) and Mr. Raymond H. Baker (West Coker). Certificates were presented to Messrs. Colin J. Baker (Montacute), David C. J. Marshall (Long Sutton), Roger Sharland (Harding-on-Mandeville), Misses Wendy H. Leach, Sandra D. Parker, Janet Bradford, Ruth A. Palmer, Hilary M. Thorne, Mrs. Sheila A. Timbrell, Messrs. Les H. J. Leach and Brian C. Whitlock (Tintinhull), Nigel R. Grinter, Paul W. Grinter, Kevin J. Beale, Frederick A. Cole, Miss Mary J. Wilburn, Mrs. Audrey Cole and Mrs. V. Constance Rice (South Petherton).

The company stood in silence to honour the memory of the late Mr. Francis (Long Sutton).

TROPHIES PRESENTED

The highlights of the meeting were the presentations of the striking competition trophy to the 1970 winners (St. John the Baptist, Yeovil) and the findings of the judges, Messrs. Ray Arscott and Arthur Read (Taunton Branch) on the tidy tower contest. The judges had an exceedingly difficult job, including the climbing of over



775 tower steps! They finally awarded the trophy to SS. Peter and Paul, South Petherton, with St. Mary, Stoke-sub-Hamdon second, and SS. Peter and Paul, Odcombe, third. Both these trophies were donated by the branch hon. secretary, Mrs. M. M. Legget, and will be competed for from time to time.

The Ilchester Branch would like to place on record their grateful thanks to the Rev. P. W. Thomas, Mr. Russell, Messrs. Warr, Pester and Venn (Stoke-sub-Hamdon tower officials) and Messrs. Arscott and Read for their kindness and co-operation.

On September 10 there was an informal

gathering in the ringing chamber of South Petherton tower when the tidy tower trophy was on show. The vicar (Rev. J. H. Jelly) read the "Belfry Office" and thanked Mrs. M. M. Legget for having donated the trophy which his tower had won. He spoke of the tremendous amount of hard work carried out by all the ringers under the able towermastership of Mr. Reg Beale, and thanked one and all for the very great effort they had made. Mrs. Legget was presented with a bouquet by Mr. Bert Pearce, and in the accompanying photograph Mr. Reg Beale is seen receiving the trophy from the hon. secretary.

CARILLONS

From *The Daily Sketch*, March 11, 1920.

CARILLONS FOR ENGLAND

By Professor Albert Vesetti.

Of the real art of bellringing, the exquisite effect of the keyboard carillon, which is so overwhelming in its sheer beauty to the visitor to Holland or Belgium, we in England know little or nothing.

An excellent idea, which might be followed by many other towns, was the recent decision of Loughborough to erect as a War Memorial a tower in which will be installed a fine keyboard carillon.

If other towns emulated Loughborough's example, what delightful effects we might enjoy musically, especially where carillons could be placed on the outskirts of Plains and Valleys, for the magic of the sound is greatly intensified in such situations.

So I would plead for the liberal distribution of carillons throughout England, as wonderful oral reminders of great deeds during the War. Such bells would unquestionably set up a higher standard of bell music, and we should no longer be content with the kind too often to be found nowadays, calling us so dismally to worship at Matins and Evensong, that it is small wonder the attendance at the Churches of all denominations is not what it might be.

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A LEAD TO FOLLOW

The Worcestershire and Districts Change Ringing Association have sent (via the diocesan office) the following circular to all incumbents, and we suggest this might be copied by other associations.

To all incumbents:

The Bishop and Archdeacons draw your attention to the circular which follows and commend it for your earnest consideration.

THEFT OF CHURCH BELLS

Church bells, being made of bronze, have recently begun to attract the attention of scrap metal thieves and there has been a marked increase, nationally, in the number of thefts of bells. Two reported instances of this occurred at Droitwich a year or two ago. This association believes that the attention of all parishes in the diocese should be drawn to the risk before any more occur.

Generally, churches possess either one or two small bells or a full ring of six, or more, larger bells. The risk is probably greatest where the bells are comparatively small and easily removed, or where the church is isolated. The risk may be less where there is a full ring and a band of ringers to ring them. But where there are no regular ringers, the risk is increased.

The association strongly urges all those in charge to check the security of their bells, access to which should always be under lock and key. Where there is a band of ringers the captain should be consulted as to security. Keys should never be "hidden" in the church in obvious places.

It should further be noted that although the value of the metal may be recovered through insurance, many of these bells, especially those in churches having only one or two bells, are often very ancient and of archaeological importance and are therefore irreplaceable.

Credit is the cash value of good will.

Irish Bell News.

Editorial

FALSE COMPOSITIONS

For years *The Ringing World* has published compositions for peals and quarter peals sent in by conductors and others, and these have all been printed in good faith. Occasionally someone has informed the Exercise that a particular composition is false, but we suspect that many we have printed are passed over, or recorded for the future and not used.

Mr. Derek Sibson, master of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths, has recently obtained access to a computer and is kindly having all compositions sent to us for publication proved before we print them.

It is a disturbing fact that of the first twelve checked four were false. What, then, of the many hundreds which have been published in *The Ringing World* over the years? Are we going to find that some of the less frequently used of the compositions are false and that peal records have to be amended? It is a frightening thought, but one that should be faced for the sake of correctness and the reputation of the conductor and his band.

It is well known of course that a few peals have been (and are, unfortunately) "fiddled" and a percentage, small though it may be, are not "true." A conductor who publishes a peal, knowing it to be below standard, or "fiddled," has only himself to blame if he has others of his efforts queried, for it is the one doubtful peal that is always remembered, not the 99 good ones.

We therefore recommend budding conductors firstly to ensure that the composition to be used is proved correct, and secondly to set a high standard of peal ringing and keep to it (and this also applies to quarter peals).

Belfry Gossip

Sending a report and some news items from Islington, Ontario, Canada, Mr. W. H. Jackson suspects that *The Ringing World* is received and read in Toronto before many readers in England see it, for the journal arrives first post on a Friday.

Have you run out of little quotations for odd corners? asks a reader. No, we have quite a few, but the odd corners do not always present themselves and we have to be careful that the quote is suitable to the reading matter on the page.

First peal congratulations to Jean Daughy, J. R. Ward, Michael Haighton, Alfred Symonds (14), Christine Hudson (14), Brian Sayers (14), Michael Mann.

Personal Records: Clifford Skidmore (700 peals), Peter Butler (25), Peter Bellamy-Knights (100), William Birmingham, jun. (50), Rev. R. D. St. J. Smith (200).

New Methods this week include: Horam Little Surprise Major at Waldron, Sussex.

The young ringers at Syston, Leics, were determined to ring a quarter on their own. After failing in the morning they made another attempt and were successful before Evensong. Their age group is 16 and under.

Mr. John Euston informs us that the peal of Stedman Caters he called at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on September 11 was a composition by G. T. Daltry, given to him by the late Mr. William Shepherd. The figures, he says, are almost identical with those of J. Carter, G. Lindoff, C. Charge and Sir Arthur Heywood.

St. James', Clerkenwell, is now a "bright spot" in London ringing, with young people participating on Sunday and Wednesday evenings. Mr. Euston writes: "The Martyr Church, not far from Holborn, was under Joe Hawkins and was the best ringing church, pre-war, in London."

Ringing suddenly seems to have become very popular in the Bloxham (Oxon) area, and the numbers have increased over the past two years to 20 in the band. Two quarter peals have been rung, the first (Bob Minor) on August 15, and the second (Bob Triples) on October 18. The first was a "first" of some description for the entire band (including the conductor!) (Well done.—Ed.)

Visitors to the Hillingdon joint meeting next week will have the opportunity of hearing the skilful handbell ringers led by John Mayne during the social evening. They hope to ring some 16-in and/or Spliced Maximus. Among other items will be the cricket match and Ron Russ talking about Australia (illustrated).

THE QUEEN OF BELLS

Mr. G. Amor, of St. Paul's, Bedford, was recently in Moscow and photographed the great bell named "Tsar Kolokol," situated in the grounds of the Kremlin. He supplies the following details: Cast in 1733-35, height 19 feet, two feet thick, weight 200 tons, broken portion 11 tons in weight.

"I feel I've really arrived," said the vicar of Croydon when visitors informed him that they had seen his photograph in a recent issue of *The Ringing World*.

The Rev. the Hon. N. Morrison, vicar of Randwick, Glos, rings his first peal. It will be remembered that he cycled from Lands End to John o' Groats to raise money for the treble bell when the ring was augmented from four to six.

At Manchester Cathedral a quarter peal was rung by teachers, pupils and students from Manchester, commemorating the 1870 Education Act. (One of the ringers suggested the footnote be "Commemorating the survival of education despite the efforts of a succession of education ministers!")

Now that the Irish banks have returned to normal working Peter W. Brown has returned to Dublin, having spent the months in which the banks were closed working at Loughborough Bell Foundry.

The enthusiastic young band at Selworthy, Somerset, have scored a quarter in four Doubles methods. All taught from scratch by a member of the well-known Arscott family—Frederick C.—the team is making good progress and enjoying the pleasures of change ringing.

"Wedding week-end," October 3-4, was at Edmonton, when two ringers were married on the Saturday, and the tower captain on the Sunday afternoon. On both occasions a quarter peal was rung.

George Massey tells us: "It may be of interest to know that the peals of Minor at Wanstrow and Whatley, Somerset, were the fastest peals on the bells by a substantial amount—14 minutes at Wanstrow and six minutes at Whatley. They were both excellent peals. The peal at Timsbury was also the fastest of Minor on the bells by 11 minutes, but there has been a peal of Doubles in 2hr. 32min., a minute under our time."

Sending a *Ringing World* subscription for 12 months, a reader added: "Thank goodness I now owe nobody nowt—only what they would be glad of."

A report sent in this week started: "The secretary does not usually bother to send an account of a branch meeting (other than the A.G.M.) as it would often waste precious Ringing World space and make boring reading." (We must be the judge of that—carry on sending in everything, please—although much may be cut down.—Ed.)

Quite a lot of hard work has been put in at Portbury, at Easton-in-Gordano and in Abbots Leigh, Somerset, by Helen Kirkpatrick, and on September 25 a quarter at Portbury was an 18th birthday compliment to Helen.

On October 3, Coddington, Notts, bell-ringers rang the first local peal on the bells, which was a sponsored peal to raise money for the organ fund. It had a personal connection, as one of the ringers is organist! A very good peal of Grandsire Doubles was rung, which was checked throughout by Colin Reed and Fred Hooper (of Newark). Over £70 was raised and the ringers have every reason to be proud of this and their efforts in the belfry.

We are informed by Mr. A. T. Wingate, captain of the Hereford Cathedral band, that the ring of bells in the Cathedral is in good order and that regular ringing takes place. A few very minor adjustments have been made, but there has never been any serious defect in the bells.



Letters

STRIKING COMPETITIONS

Dear Sir,—Whilst agreeing with the bulk of Mr. M. L. Mann's letter (*Ringing World*, page 814), concerning striking competitions and his argument against awarding points for the complexity of the method rung, I feel that if the practice of allowing bands to include ringers who are not members of the tower was discontinued it would mean the discouragement of those towers we most want to encourage, i.e., those who are below strength or with less skilled ringers. The fact that Mr. Mann's tower can produce a good team consisting of their own members is certainly meritorious, but rather than worry about scrupulously fair assessment of capabilities, shouldn't he be more interested in encouraging those not so fortunate to make the effort to reach higher standards?

In our (Central) Branch competition, to choose two teams to go forward to the Lincoln Guild striking competition final several of us helped to "make up" bands who could not otherwise have entered. We felt that the encouragement so given was of great value to the bands concerned and we hope that it will spur them on to train new ringers so that next year they will not need any help.

I would like to add that, in fact, the team who won (at a six-bell tower) had ten of its members taking part. Maybe this, if publicised, would have helped in making a "fair assessment."—Yours faithfully,

PETER A. SHARP.

Fiskerton, Lincoln.

THE BRIDES OF ENDERBY

Although there appears to be no record of *The Brides of Enderby* having been rung as a method, and it is probable that they (or it) are a progression similar to queens or tittums, there are still one or two possibilities that could be explored.

Enderby Surprise Major (H. and M. Collection 3617), perhaps is out, as it was first rung to a peal at Enderby, Leicestershire, in 1964, and may have been christened for the occasion. Perhaps H., the band who rang it or even M. could tell us.

Mr. Harold Chant, in his *Index of Minor Methods*, gives the notation of Enderby Delight (*Ringing World*, April 23, 1965, page 278) and refers to A. Gill's notebook. Can Mr. Chant tell us anything about Mr. Gill or the origin of his method?

In May of last year the Lincolnshire lads rang Bag Enderby Doubles in a peal at Barrowby. It is to be hoped the Brides did not finish up in a railway left luggage office! Will the Lincolnshire band give information?

In any case, where is this Enderby? Did it not have a Mayor? Bartholomew's *Gazeteer* gives Enderby, parish Lincolnshire, see Bag Enderby and Wood Enderby, also Enderby St. Michael's see Mavis Enderby (who may have been one of the Brides!). These are all so far inland that a tide that affected them would damage a considerable area of Lincolnshire. Enderby is nearer the coast, but none of them seems to have been big enough to have had a Mayor.

Mr. Dove does not mention Enderby, Lincolnshire, but of course they could have rung the method in the next town. I have never read the poem.—Yours faithfully,

ARTHUR WHITING.

Manchester.

COMPOSITION FALSE

Dear Sir,—It has been drawn to my attention that the quarter peal rung at Trumpington, Cambridge, on July 18, consisted of a composition that was false. I would, therefore, withdraw this quarter peal from the columns of *The Ringing World* (page 617). I extend my sincere apologies to those persons who took part. My thanks to Dr. Sibson for telling me what was wrong with it.—Yours faithfully,

MARTIN R. KITSON.

Trumpington, Cambs.

BRISTOL ALLIANCE MAXIMUS

Dear Sir,—As conductor of the recent peal of Bristol Alliance Maximus, I should like to point out that it is not strictly an extension of Bristol Alliance Major under the present rules, because the pivot bell is different. I have submitted it, however, in the hope that the Methods and Records Committees will regard it as a test case and remove this rather unnecessary constraint on extension. Should they not see fit to do so, then I shall willingly rename the method.

Regarding the method itself, Bristol enthusiasts may well feel rewarded by giving it a trial. Not only does it have the desirable extending-lead properties without the artificial padding that so many other Maximus versions have, but also the music and blue-line work that so characterise Bristol.—Yours faithfully,

Hollywood, Birmingham. R. W. PIPE.

ST. OSWALD'S, DURHAM

Dear Sir,—Whilst the object of Mr. Bayles's letter (*Ringing World*, page 794) is not clear, and as I am implicated to a certain extent, I feel some reply is necessary:

Some years ago I called to check the note of the tenor at St. Oswald's, and I formed the opinion that these bells were not unsafe, and I told the previous vicar so. When I was invited to a "try-out" I gladly accepted. Indeed I put in some voluntary labour in helping to make them ringable—and I stand by my statement that there is no reason why these bells should not be rung.

It is a well-known fact that architects in general have only slight knowledge of ringing matters and it is safer when in doubt to say that bells must not be rung. In my opinion it gives the impression that they know a lot, when in fact they know nothing, and one wonders how many rings up and down the country are silent for just this reason.

As to the two authorities from whom the vicar has taken advice, I see by "Crockford" that one is a Hebrew scholar, and I have a suspicion that the other is not even a ringer. I may be wrong but I once saw a voluminous report which appeared to be a thesis by a student who had seen a ring of bells for the first time but who had little idea of ringing.

So far as the ringing of St. Oswald's bells is concerned there are no grounds for Mr. Bayles's suggestion that anything has gone on "behind the scenes." On his own showing, however, Mr. Bayles has been particularly active behind the scenes in stopping ringing here to the detriment of the church and, ultimately, his own association.

Mr. Bayles's letter does indeed make quite clear what is the present position at St. Oswald's, Durham, but the quarter peal has proved beyond all doubt that the bells are quite ringable.—Yours faithfully,

R. H. DOVE.

Harrogate.

ABOVE SEA LEVEL

Dear Sir,—I was interested to read (R.W., page 834) that the bells of Queensbury, between Bradford and Halifax, are the highest hung in England.

On June 22, 1962, a team from the Plymouth area rang a peal of Grandire Doubles at the Church of St. Michael-de-Rupe, Brent Tor, on Dartmoor. We thought that we had rung the "highest" peal, information in the church stating that it was built in 1190 and was 1,190 feet above sea level. A photo of the tower and church was published in *The Ringing World* of July 6, 1962.

On July 20, 1970, a letter was published from Brian Woodruffe stating that the highest was at Chelmorton, in the Peak District (1,225 feet). He also stated that Brent Tor was 1,075 feet above sea level.

While staying for a few days at Brewod, Staffs, shortly after that, during a conversation in the local following ringing, the Brent Tor peal was mentioned. One of the local ringers said he was married at Chelmorton, and a peal attempt was fixed for the next day. Only four ringers arrived and we could not find another so could not attempt the peal. We rang the front and back four to some call changes.

Plymouth. W. G. LAVERS.

ORGANISER'S RESPONSIBILITY

Dear Sir,—One sentence from Michael Uphill's reply (R.W., page 834) to Mrs. Glen Clayton's letter (page 774) seeking information as to the identity of a visiting band of peal ringers calls for particular comment. It is "The tour organiser (Rev. Michael Hart) has sent a separate letter to the vicar expressing regret that Mr. Clayton had acted without consulting him (the vicar)."

Now in some way this implies that Mrs. Clayton's original letter to *The Ringing World* was in bad taste and should never have been sent. I cannot see it that way. To me, it would have been more appropriate for the tour organiser to have sent a letter expressing regret that his band had broken a stay and failed to readjust the ropes after ringing their peal. A donation towards the cost of replacing the stay would not have been inappropriate.

The broken stay could easily have led to a serious accident. Who would have been to blame? I am surprised that the band did not make sure that the tower captain or vicar was informed of this mishap before any further ringing took place. A note pinned to the belfry door was certainly not adequate. This called for a personal visit to either the vicar or the tower captain (Mrs. Glen Clayton).

It is also worrying to me (as a tower captain myself) that a visiting band should come and ring a peal without the tower captain knowing who they were.

Whenever arranging a peal in a strange tower I have always considered it my duty to:—

1. Make sure that both the vicar and tower captain are aware of the visit. (This can easily be done by addressing the application to the vicar, but sending it with an explanatory note to the tower captain for him to pass on to the vicar—s.a.e. enclosed.)

2. Make sure that the ringing room is left as it is found (ropes readjusted to their original lengths, windows closed, boxes put back, chimes off, etc.).

3. Repair any damage done (resplice any rope broken during the peal attempt) or offer to pay for damage which cannot be repaired on the spot.—Yours faithfully,
Preston. CYRIL CROSTHWAITE.

Quarter Peals

HARVEST THANKSGIVING

Addington, Surrey.—Sept. 27, 1320 Bob Doubles: Gwen Wallace (first quarter) 1, Wendy Wallace 2, A. Hobbs 3, E. G. H. Godfrey 4, I. Wiltshire (cond.) 5.

Aldridge, Staffs.—Oct. 1, 1260 Double Oxford Minor: Sharon McGonigle 1, J. L. Humphreys 2, Cynthia Humphreys 3, Daphne Appleby 4, J. P. Burton 5, R. Riley (cond.) 6.

Apsley End, Herts.—Oct. 4, 1260 Minor (Single Oxford, Plain Bob): R. E. Sheppard 1, P. Picton (first quarter) 2, C. V. Mills 3, A. V. Good 4, F. M. Byrne (cond.) 5, K. Sheppard 6.

Bucklebury, Berks.—Oct. 11, 1260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. S. G. Brown 1, Miss A. Talbot 2, A. W. Davis 3, Mrs. P. Lewington 4, S. C. W. Brown 5, R. Crook 6, C. E. Lewington (cond.) 7, Miss H. Lillywhite 8.

Bulkington, Warks.—Oct. 4, 1260 Grandsire Triples: G. Daykin (first quarter) 1, Joy Pluckrose 2, G. Pluckrose 3, R. Thorpe 4, G. Higgs 5, G. Pratt 6, B. Liggins 7, R. Liggins 8.

Chalford, Glos.—Oct. 10, 1260 Doubles (four methods): Rev. R. Morrison 1, J. Clarke 2, R. Cornock 3, Sara Cornock 4, Sue Williams (cond.) 5, P. Birt (first quarter) 6. For harvest home at Valley Inn, Chalford.

East Grinstead, Sussex.—Oct. 4, 1264 Bob Major: D. F. Hoad 1, Rose Davis (first inside) 2, J. D. Weaver 3, Evelyn M. Hicks 4, Judy A. N. Weekes 5, C. Bainham 6, M. P. Howard 7, F. H. Hicks (cond.) 8.

Frampton Cotterell, Glos.—Sept. 20, 1260 Grandsire and Bob Doubles: D. G. Wedlake (first quarter) 1, H. Taysom 2, Sheila A. Drew 3, J. H. Taylor 4, D. Powell 5, R. H. Driver 6.

Great Holland, Essex.—Oct. 4, 1320 Bob Doubles: Miss A. Isgar (first quarter) 1, F. B. Lufkin (cond.) 2, S. Leech 3, R. J. Isgar 4, J. Walters 5, G. H. Isgar 6.

Ilton, Som.—Oct. 11, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Whitcombe 1, R. Welch 2, M. Whitcombe 3, S. Welch (cond.) 4, R. Burns 5, R. Spiller 6.

Langdon Hills, Essex.—Oct. 11, 1260 Bob Minor: W. White (first Minor) 1, Eleanor Clemo 2, S. J. Clarke 3, Janice Manterfield 4, S. D. Stott 5, G. I. Lucas (cond.) 6. Also 1320 St. Simon Doubles: Eleanor Clemo 1, Janice Manterfield 2, G. I. Lucas (cond.) 3, S. J. Clarke 4, S. J. Day 5. First in method by local band.

Mansfield, Notts.—Oct. 4, 1260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. F. Adcock 1, J. Adcock 2, A. Brown 3, F. Adcock 4, Mrs. M. Robinson 5, C. Randle 6, S. W. Fossey (cond.) 7, J. Robinson 8. Also silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. Robinson.

Marston, Oxford.—Oct. 4, 1272 Minimus: Teresa Bourke (first quarter attempt) 1, R. Jones 2, H. Page (first Minimus) 3, A. Gammon 4, R. Washington (first quarter) cover.

Nettleham, Lincs.—Oct. 11, 1260 Bob Minor: Mrs. M. Parker 1, D. Booth 2, Miss R. Wilson 3, Miss R. Redden (first inside of Bob Minor) 4, W. Booth 5, J. Millhouse (cond.) 6.

Newbold-on-Avon, Warks.—Oct. 4, 1260 Doubles (three methods): Pamela Clarke 1, Anne Rigby 2, J. G. Edgson (cond.) 3, W. C. Budd 4, P. M. Edgson 5, A. G. Eveleigh 6.

Newton Valence, Hants.—Oct. 4, 1272 Bob Minimus: G. Cane 1, A. Gill 2, D. Cooper 3, M. Cass (cond.) 4. First in method 1 and 2.

Odcombe, Som.—Oct. 4, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss E. Dean (first quarter) 1, R. Guppy 2, R. C. Beale (cond.) 3, H. W. Pearce 4, D. J. Pollard 5, R. Chedzoy 6.

Patshull, Staffs.—Oct. 4, 1260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob): S. W. Illidge 1, N. A. Bramall 2, S. G. Bowley 3, M. G. Williamson 4, K. A. Russell (cond.) 5, B. Gwilliam 6.

Pattingham, Staffs.—Oct. 8, 1290 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob): Miss P. A. Bolland (first quarter) 1, S. G. Bowley 2, K. A. Russell 3, P. R. Johnson 4, M. G. Williamson (cond.) 5, S. W. Illidge 6.

Presnett, Staffs.—Oct. 4, 1260 Doubles (three methods): A. Williams 1, T. Morris 2, F. C. Jukes 3, J. H. Dudley 4, E. T. Pilsbury (cond.) 5, W. Williams 6.

St. Albans, Herts (St. Peter).—Sept. 27, 1296 Little Bob Royal: G. W. Debenham 1, Rosemary Howard (first inside) 2, Joyce Clarke 3, Elizabeth Forster 4, R. A. Sheasby (first Royal) 5, Frances Dodds 6, R. W. Darvill 7, T. C. Holland 8, K. J. Darvill (cond.) 9, H. V. Frost 10.

St. Audries, Som.—Oct. 11, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: F. Arnold 1, Dr. Winifred N. Kingsbury 2, W. Smith (cond.) 3, T. Webber 4, C. Wyatt 5.

Selborne, Hants.—Sept. 27, 1260 April Day Bob Doubles: Mary Sutcliffe 1, G. Cane 2, A. Gill 3, D. Cooper 4, M. Cass (cond.) 5. First in method for all. Also for Holy Baptism service.

Selworthy, Som.—Oct. 10, 1260 Doubles (All Saints, St. Simon, St. Martin, Plain Bob): A. Davis 1, A. J. Chubb 2, T. Kingdon 3, F. C. Arscott 4, D. Owen 5, L. Needs 6. First in four methods for 1, 3, 5 and 6.

Shipton Moyne, Glos.—Sept. 27, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: P. A. G. Watts 1, A. B. Rogerson 2, S. E. Mitchener 3, H. E. Blacker 4, L. K. Grey (cond.) 5, R. W. Woodward 6.

Stevenage, Herts.—Oct. 11, 1260 Oxford Bob Triples: W. Munson 1, W. Brown 2, W. Lawrence 3, M. Pickup 4, P. Rumley 5, S. Gullick 6, D. Gullick (cond.) 7, R. Kirkpatrick 8. First in the method for all.

Thorley, Herts.—Oct. 11, 1272 Oxford T.B. Minor: D. Hutley 1, K. Westwood 2, P. Warboys (cond.) 3, T. Camp 4, A. Richardson 5, R. Prime 6.

HARVEST IN WADDESON DEANERY

Shabbington, Bucks.—Sept. 25, 1260 Bob Minor: R. T. Corker 1, Julie Tyler 2, C. W. J. East 3, Hazel Baker 4, G. J. Tyler 5, A. D. Tyler (cond.) 6.

Waddesdon, Bucks.—Sept. 28, 1260 Doubles (660 Grandsire, 600 Plain Bob): Mavis Clarke 1, Julie Tyler 2, G. J. Tyler 3, A. D. Tyler 4, R. T. Corker (cond.) 5, S. H. Young 6.

Wotton Underwood, Bucks.—Sept. 30, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: M. G. Ingram 1, Julie Tyler 2, R. T. Corker 3, G. J. Tyler 4, A. D. Tyler (cond.) 5, S. H. Young 6.

Ludgershall, Bucks.—Oct. 4, 1260 Doubles (600 Plain Bob, 660 Grandsire): L. Burnell 1, Anna K. Ingram 2, M. G. Ingram 3, C. W. J. East 4, E. G. Jones (cond.) 5.

Brill, Bucks.—Oct. 11, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: B. de Burgh Siddely 1, Anna K. Ingram 2, M. Smith 3, M. G. Ingram 4, C. W. J. East (cond.) 5, L. Busby 6.

Long Crendon, Bucks.—Oct. 12, 1260 Bob Minor: Mavis Clarke 1, Julie Tyler 2, G. J. Tyler 3, M. G. Ingram 4, R. T. Corker 5, A. D. Tyler (cond.) 6.

Wiggenhall, Norfolk.—Oct. 1, 1260 Minor (Cambridge S., Plain Bob): P. Gagen 1, W. Cousins 2, J. Fox (cond.) 3, R. Newton 4, D. Gagen 5, C. Cousins 6.

Wymondham, Norfolk.—Oct. 4, 1264 Bob Major: Lynda Coorer (first Major) 1, Adrial Walton 2, I. Lowther 3, F. C. J. Arnold 4, J. Dove 5, H. Tooke (cond.) 6, T. E. Spight 7, G. D. Elvin 8.

Addington, Surrey.—Oct. 4, 1260 Bob Minor: E. G. H. Godfrey 1, Kathryn Bone (first inside) 2, A. Hobbs 3, Penny Cocks 4, Louise Powell (cond.) 5, I. Wiltshire 6. For family service.

Aldbourn, Wilts.—Oct. 14, 1260 Bob Doubles (1, 3 leading): T. R. Jones 1, G. A. Newman 2, A. Hooper 3, Peta M. Lloyd (first inside) 4, T. A. Palmer 5, D. Herring 6, A. G. Keen (cond.) 7, S. Hale 8.

Aldenharn, Herts.—Oct. 11, 1260 Bob Minor: Jennifer Wiggs (first quarter) 1, R. J. Moore 2, E. Ashby 3, A. Wootton 4, R. Adcock 5, J. R. Southey (cond.) 6. For the dedication and opening of the new church hall.

Aldridge, Staffs.—Sept. 27, 1296 Cambridge S. Minor: Daphne Appleby 1, Sharon McGonigle (first Surprise) 2, N. White 3, J. P. Burton 4, R. Riley 5, J. L. Humphreys (cond.) 6. For Matins.

Ashford, Kent.—Oct. 10, 1259 Grandsire Caters: Brenda Davis 1, Margaret Jones 2, P. Richardson 3, F. G. Huckstepp 4, C. Hillis 5, N. Davis 6, B. Cox 7, R. Swift (cond.) 8, D. Manger 9, J. Clark 10. First Grandsire Caters 2, 3. First Caters on the bells.

Aston Clinton, Bucks.—Sept. 27, 1260 Bob Minor: Mrs. I. F. White 1, Mrs. H. C. Younger 2, C. Younger 3, T. H. O. Lewis 4, A. J. White 5, R. Woodruff (cond.) 6. For Patronal Festival.

Aughton, Lancs (St. Michael).—Oct. 7, 1440 Plain Bob Minor: Sarah Peirce (first quarter) 1, R. Larkey 2, M. Nichols 3, Miss A. Parr (first quarter) 4, A. Draper 5, Mrs. C. D'Aeth (cond.) 6.

Battersea, London.—Oct. 4, 1260 Bob Minor: Carole A. Fosbury 1, Margaret A. Robinson 2, M. J. Herbert 3, D. R. Tipler 4, R. J. Cooles 5, R. J. Collis (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

Bowdon, Cheshire.—Sept. 20, 1296 Bob Major: Pauline Tallis 1, Felicity Ashworth 2, Kirsty Fisher 3, P. Dyson 4, Catherine M. Kay 5, P. Boucher 6, P. G. Bellamy-Knights 7, S. N. Harrop (cond.) 8. On St. Matthew's Eve.

Benhall, Suffolk.—Oct. 5, 1260 P.B. Minor: J. Peters 1, R. Peters (first Minor inside) 2, M. Baldry 3, M. Peters 4, T. Hughes 5, A. Knights (first Minor as cond.) 6. First Minor 1, 3 and 4.

Bishop's Stortford, Herts.—Sept. 29, 1260 Grandsire Triples: P. Warboys 1, K. Westwood 2, D. Hutley (first Triples inside) 3, L. Luck 4, A. Richardson 5, T. Camp 6, W. Hunt (cond.) 7, R. Prime 8. For Festival of St. Michael and All Angels. Also Oct. 1, 1280 Bob Major: A. Westwood 1, R. Hayden 2, W. Hunt 3, P. Glazebrook 4, R. Walker 5, A. Richardson 6, R. Prime 7, L. Luck (cond.) 8. For music festival.

Brampton, Cumb.—Sept. 16, 1260 Bob Minor: Rev. B. Redgers 1, Miss S. H. Bennett 2, Miss R. M. Bennett 3, P. Bell 4, J. Ling 5, Rev. L. R. Pizey (cond.) 6.

Brighton, Sussex (St. Peter).—Oct. 18, 1320 Cambridge S. Minor: Margaret Chappell 1, A. W. Bond 2, P. Came 3, T. G. Williams 4, B. J. Read 5, D. R. Cox (cond.) 6. For St. Luke's Day Evensong.

Brixham, Devon.—Oct. 4, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: S. Wills 1, J. L. Bell 2, A. G. Thompson (first inside) 3, R. E. Bell 4, R. F. Sheppard (cond.) 5, T. B. Davies 6.

Chipping Barnet, Herts.—Aug. 23, 1260 Doubles (three methods): D. Bailey 1, Jill Gordon 2, Marjorie Paternoster 3, Penny Coomber 4, P. Cuckson (cond.) 5, E. Paternoster 6. First of three Doubles by all except conductor. Also Sept. 6, 1272 Kent T.B. Minor: D. Ely 1, Penny Coomber 2, Jill Gordon 3, D. Willcocks 4, R. Adcock 5, P. Cuckson (cond.) 6. First Kent T.B. for 2, 3, 4 and 5.

Cholsey, Berks.—Sept. 18, 1280 Cambridge S. Major: Jane Wells 1, Mary Wells 2, B. Wheeler 3, H. Wells 4, T. Petts 5, J. Hodgson 6, M. Bishop 7, R. B. Blond (cond.) 8. First Cambridge Major 1, 3 and 6.

Corse, Glos.—Oct. 11, 1320 Warkworth S. Minor: Bernard H. Taylor (cond.) 1, Malcolm P. Taylor (first in method) 2, Helen R. Taylor 3, Clare R. Taylor 4, Hilda C. Taylor 5, Eric J. Taylor 6. For Evensong.

Croydon, Surrey.—Oct. 4, 1260 Grandsire Triples: R. Staples 1, Mrs. O. Collins 2, R. Davies 3, N. Humphreys 4, I. M. Parry 6, K. Taber (cond.) 7, P. Humphreys 8. For Evensong. First quarter for 1 and 4.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

Whitchurch, Devon.—May 29, 1260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: A. J. Pullan 1, J. F. Steere 2, D. G. M. Pearce 3, J. P. Sims 4, G. E. Mudge (cond.) 5, R. Bond 6. For the induction of Rev. Harry Kennan as vicar.

Stoke Damerel, Plymouth, Devon.—June 1, 1296 Cambridge S. Minor: D. G. M. Pearce 1, P. L. Bill (cond.) 2, A. W. Myers 3, J. F. Steere 4, S. G. Pearce 5, N. Mallett 6. For induction of Rev. Rex Luckraft, recently rector of Stoke Damerel, as Vicar of St. Matthias, Torbay.

Whitchurch, Devon.—Sept. 27, 1260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: A. J. Pullan 1, G. E. Mudge (cond.) 2, Miss C. Tebbot 3, J. F. Steere 4, D. G. M. Pearce 5, R. Bond 6. For Harvest Festival.

Stoke Damerel, Plymouth, Devon.—Sept. 27, 1260 Doubles (three methods): J. C. Mitchellmore 1, D. G. M. Pearce (cond.) 2, Miss C. Tebbot 3, S. G. Pearce 4, G. E. Mudge 5, J. F. Steere 6. For Harvest Festival.

Plympton St. Maurice, Plymouth, Devon.—1260 Bob Major: R. A. Southwood 1, J. F. Steere 2, S. G. Pearce 3, Miss C. Tebbot 4, D. G. M. Pearce 5, A. N. Frost 6, G. E. Mudge 7, N. Mallett (cond.) 8.

Downham, Essex.—Oct. 10, 1260 Grandsire and Bob Doubles: P. W. Hill (first quarter) 1, G. H. Walker 2, D. A. Tovell (cond.) 3, M. Wareing 4, J. E. Murfitt 5, Barbara Shaw 6.

Edmonton, Middx.—Oct. 3, 1260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. E. Hart 1, Mrs. R. Fardon 2, G. Hart 3, Miss T. Newcombe 4, H. Howson 5, R. A. Fardon (cond.) 6, T. G. Hawkins 7, C. Neal 8. A wedding compliment following the wedding of Beryl Platt and David Dorrington, both of the local band.

Edwinstowe, Notts.—Oct. 12, 1440 Kent T.B. Minor: R. Hardy 1, Mrs. F. Adcock 2, C. Randle 3, J. Robinson 4, F. Adcock 5, S. W. Fossey (cond.) 6. By invitation of the vicar on the eve of St. Edwin's Day by Mansfield Parish Church ringers.

Elmore, Glos.—Oct. 10, 1320 Ipswich S. Minor: Malcolm P. Taylor 1, Helen R. Taylor 2, Clare R. Taylor 3, Hilda C. Taylor 4, Bernard H. Taylor 5, Eric J. Taylor (cond.) 6. First in the method for all.

Enfield, Middx.—Oct. 4, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: N. Holton 1, J. Duggan 2, R. Wood 3, P. Twigg 4, H. Howson (cond.) 5, R. Luxon 6. For the wedding this day of Mr. R. Wood (tower captain) and Miss W. Horan. Also Oct. 11, 1260 Kent T.B. Minor: Miss A. Castle (first of Minor) 1, N. Holton 2, J. Duggan 3, R. Luxon 4, H. Howson 5, P. Twigg (cond.) 6.

Exeter, Devon (Cathedral).—Oct. 18, 1259 Grandsire Caters: M. Ann Medley 1, J. Weaver 2, Brenda H. Sheppard 3, C. R. Field (first on ten) 4, J. C. Sheppard 5, G. H. Baldam 6, M. J. Medley 7, P. H. D. Jones 8, F. D. Mack (cond.) 9, J. N. Longridge 10. For St. Luke's Day Evensong.

Frome, Som.—Oct. 14, 1260 Stedman Triples: P. J. W. Hardwick 1, A. G. Payne 2, D. J. Withers 3, E. E. Bray 4, M. J. Winterbourne 5, G. W. Massey 6, R. E. J. Baker (cond.) 7, H. Vennell 8. In thanksgiving for the life of Percy Bray, a ringer at St. John's since 1915, died October 8 (funeral this day).

Gedney, Lincs.—Oct. 5, 1260 Minor (Cambridge S., Plain Bob): G. A. Flatters 1, G. R. G. Butler 2, P. H. Reynolds 3, G. H. Campling 4, A. E. Flatters 5, M. J. Belcher (cond.) 6. For the birthday of Hovenden House, the local Cheshire Home.

Greasley, Notts.—Oct. 11, 1259 Grandsire Triples: S. Bestwick (first Triples) 1, P. Mary Beach 2, Barbara Hooks 3, D. Coulson 4, P. R. Bestwick (first Triples) 5, T. M. Ford (first inside) 6, D. J. Beach (cond.) 7, G. G. Knighton 8. For Evensong and an "au revoir" to Helen Simpson.

Great Haseley, Oxon.—Sept. 29, 1260 Doubles (three methods): I. M. M. O'Reilly 1, Christine Baker 2, E. Putt 3, C. Smith 4, C. W. J. East 5, J. Aspley (first quarter) 6. Conducted by 2 and 4.

Grosmont, Mon.—Oct. 18, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. S. Parry (first quarter) 1, R. Hatcher (cond.) 2, J. James 3, I. Donald 4, J. Clayton 5, L. Price 6. 21st birthday compliment to Michael Howard.

Groton, Mass., U.S.A.—Oct. 11, 1344 Bob Major: W. A. Theobald 1, Alma L. Harward (first on eight) 2, W. H. Jackson (cond.) 3, Marjorie B. Batchelor 4, D. M. Sawyer 5, J. Owen 6, D. R. Ingram 7, F. E. Roberts 8. A wedding compliment to Ruth Gay and Malcolm Shepherd, of Maldon, Essex.

Haddiscoe, Norfolk.—Oct. 18, 1260 Doubles (four methods): T. F. Crawford 1, N. P. J. Cossey 2, F. C. Guntton 3, J. W. Forder 4, W. S. Girling (cond.) 5.

Hailsham, Sussex.—Oct. 7, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss S. Harris (first quarter) 1, G. Titherly 2, C. G. Spreadbury 3, Miss V. Titherly 4, B. Stepney (cond.) 5, Miss A. Sessford 6, G. Beeny 7, G. Stokley (first quarter) 8. A 21st birthday compliment to G. Titherly.

Hanley Castle, Worcs.—Oct. 14, 1440 Hanley Castle Delight Minor: F. Lawrence 1, M. Hawkes 2, Valerie Willard 3, B. Spiers 4, D. Price (cond.) 5, J. Clements 6. First in the method.

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Harlow Common, Essex.—Sept. 26, 1264 Bob Major: Elizabeth Hoad (first quarter) 1, J. Collins 2, Janice Flight 3, F. Whitby 4, C. Moore 5, R. Hayden 6, W. Aley (cond.) 7, E. Rochester 8. For the induction of the Rev. K. Francis as vicar.

Havant, Hants.—Oct. 6, 1260 Grandsire Triples: R. Milford (first Triples) 1, Mrs. J. Smith 2, H. Milford 3, D. Jones 4, P. Wilkinson (cond.) 5, E. Treagus 6, M. Marshall 7, F. Ensor 8. For Confirmation service (on St. Faith's Day).

Hayes, Kent.—Oct. 4, 1260 Bob Minor: R. Frankland 1, Jean Morley 2, J. Smith 3, M. Oakshett 4, C. Mundy 5, M. O'Callaghan (cond.) 6. For Confirmation.

Hughenden, Bucks.—Sept. 13, 1344 Bob Major: I. Cole (first on eight) 1, R. Biggs 2, Miss J. Loten 3, P. Wilkinson (first on eight) 4, R. Blaby 5, A. Newton 6, P. Newton 7, D. Cornwall (cond.) 8. Also Oct. 4, 1440 London S. Major: E. H. Langley 1, R. Blaby 2, R. Biggs 3, D. A. Cornwall 4, R. H. Newton 5, A. Newton 6, P. Newton 7, J. A. Ainsworth (cond.) 8.

Hutton, Essex.—Oct. 11, 1260 Doubles (eight callings of All Saints): J. Walleit 1, A. Brumwell 2, C. Hill 3, W. Hill 4, R. Jones (cond.) 5. For Evensong, as a farewell to Miss A. Brumwell, shortly emigrating to Canada.

Huyton, Lincs.—Sept. 29, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Linda Saavedra 1, A. Maddox 2, A. Walsh 3, J. Dunbavin 4, N. P. A. Goulding 5, W. R. Birchall (cond.) 6. For Confirmation and St. Michael's Day. Also Oct. 3, 1320 Grandsire Doubles: I. Hawley 1, Frances Latham 2, D. Ellison 3, N. Goulding 4, J. Dunbavin 5, W. R. Birchall (cond.) 6. For Patronal Festival gift day.

Ipswich, Suffolk (St. Margaret).—Oct. 11, 1264 Bob Major: Margot Blythe 1, Jane Peacock 2, W. K. Whittell 3, J. Winram 4, A. J. Munnings 5, J. W. Blythe (cond.) 6, R. W. Steward 7, J. R. Munnings 8. For Evensong; also a farewell to the vicar, Rev. A. H. Marks, upon retirement.

Keele, Staffs.—Oct. 18, 1260 Bob Minor: Angela V. M. Fletcher 1, M. J. Robinson 2, Margaret Jones (first inside) 3, Janet Lawson 4, P. W. Gay 5, M. R. Worthington (cond.) 6. For morning service.

Kingston upon Thames, Surrey.—May 31, 1260 Bob Doubles: Lesley A. Hawes 1, L. J. Whitear 2, Ann V. Salvage 3, C. E. Bulleid 4, Anthea S. Bruce (cond.) 5, J. Knipe 6. Also Oct. 11, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Katharine Salvage 1, Anthea S. Bruce 2, C. E. Bulleid 3, Ann V. Salvage 4, C. D. Collin (cond.) 5, B. J. Stone 6. For Holy Communion.

Kingweston, Som.—1260 Doubles (660 Grandsire, 600 Bob Doubles): A. Callow 1, Mrs. P. Mayell 2, Miss S. Mayell 3, L. England 4, F. J. White (cond.) 5.

Leicester (All Saints).—Oct. 8, 1320 Stedman Doubles: Ann J. Bramley (first quarter) 1, J. M. Jelley (cond.) 2, Monica M. Jelley 3, P. A. Mason 4, J. W. Bramley 5, M. Green 6.

Little Hempstone, Devon.—Oct. 7, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: R. J. Edden 1, Rev. P. Dowling 2, R. F. Shepperd 3, Rev. P. Angold 4, G. J. L. Read (cond.) 5.

London, W.C. (St. Clement Danes).—Oct. 11, 1277 Grandsire Caters: Dr. Sybil Aldridge 1, W. G. Wilson 2, Mrs. Jean Kelly 3, Deborah Bishop 4, Anne Horsford 5, A. M. Stacey 6, A. S. Bishop 7, P. R. Butler 8, M. T. Sprackling (cond.) 9, A. H. Fulwell 10.

Longparish, Hants.—Oct. 6, 1260 Bob Doubles: Wendy Harbour (first quarter) 1, R. J. Crocker 2, M. Green 3, A. H. Green 4, Laura Harbour (first quarter) 5, C. Pack 6, R. J. Crocker (cond.) 7.

Lutton, Lincs.—Oct. 6, 1320 Minor (six methods): G. A. Flatters 1, G. R. G. Butler 2, G. H. Campling 3, R. I. West 4, A. E. Flatters 5, M. J. Belcher (cond.) 6.

Malmesbury, Wilts.—Oct. 11, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: A. E. Player 1, E. A. Bear (first quarter) 2, P. A. G. Watts 3, P. W. Holroyd 4, H. E. Blacker (cond.) 5, J. E. Billings 6. For Matins; also 21st birthday compliment to 3.

Manchester (Cathedral).—Oct. 11, 1260 Bob Minor: Oneta M. Wilson 1, Margaret Manby 2, Kirsty Fisher 3, P. Sidwell 4, P. Boucher 5, S. N. Harrop (cond.) 6. By teachers, pupils and students from Manchester, commemorating the 1870 Education Act.

Melbourne, Australia (St. Paul's Cathedral).—Sept. 2, 1296 Cambridge S. Minor: Barbara Beeson 1, R. Turner 2, Jennifer Murphy 3, M. Scowen 4, A. Fisher 5, H. Rossell (cond.) 6.

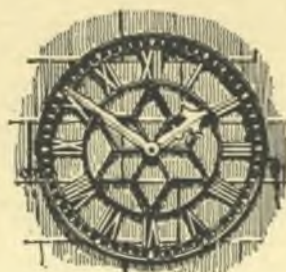
Northwich, Cheshire.—Oct. 14, 1280 Bob Major: D. A. Carter 1, Miss P. Hough 2, J. Scott 3, P. Wilkinson 4, J. R. Jervis 5, P. G. Walters 6, A. C. P. Pugh 7, S. W. Bracegirdle (cond.) 8. First on eight 1, 2, 5 and 6. Half-muffled in memoriam Harry W. Howard, branch ringing master.

Old Portsmouth, Hants.—Oct. 4, 1260 St. Simon's Doubles (eight callings): Jean M. Berriman 1-2, R. W. Willans (cond.) 3-4, B. J. Fry 5-6. First in method by all. Silver wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Willans.

Olveston, Glos.—Oct. 12, 1280 Bob Major: G. Jackson 1, P. Coward 2, J. A. Bennett 3, R. Williams 4, S. Poole 5, G. T. Collins 6, E. G. Mould 7, D. A. Chapman (cond.) 8. First on eight 2, 4 and 6. 70th birthday compliment to S. Poole.

Overseale, Derbys.—Oct. 3, 1260 Grandsire Triples: N. Cotton 1, Mrs. C. Mould 2, G. H. Peers, jun. 3, Miss S. Parsons 4, N. W. Attaway 5, E. G. Mould (cond.) 6, P. W. Grice 7, H. Shaw 8. A wedding compliment to Miss D. Morris and Mr. J. Collett (brother of 2nd ringer), married this day at Swadincote.

Plympton St. Maurice, Devon.—Oct. 12, 1264 Bob Major: R. A. Southwood 1, J. F. Steere 2, S. G. Peirce 3, Miss C. D. Telbot 4, D. G. M. Pearce 5, A. Frost 6, G. E. Mudge 7, N. Mallett (cond.) 8.



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Putney, London (St. Mary).—Oct. 11, 1260 Grandsire Triples: J. T. Shepard (first on eight and first away from cover) 1, M. J. Bangham 2, Zoe R. McMillan (first inside) 3, Elizabeth Bangham 4, C. F. Mew 5, C. R. Harris 6, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 7, R. L. Jones 8. For Harvest Festival Evensong.

Redhill, Surrey.—Aug. 30, 1260 Bob Minor: Julie Dallison (first quarter) 1, G. Charlton 2, Mary Dallison 3, Marion Dallison 4, G. A. West 5, K. Dallison (cond.) 6, D. D. Atfield cover. For the centenary of the birth of William Pye.

Rougham, Suffolk.—Oct. 11, 1260 Bob Minor: D. Left (first quarter) 1, M. D. Rose (first inside) 2, R. Rose 3, L. Nice 4, D. Tamberlin 5, M. J. Rose (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

Salisbury, Wilts (St. Martin).—Oct. 15, 1260 Stedman Triples: Mary Lambert (first Stedman) 1, I. Ann Abrahams 2, Joy F. Butler 3, B. J. Woodruffe (cond.) 4, N. O. Skelton 5, A. T. Collins 6, F. E. Collins 7, R. Brown 8. To welcome Rev. and Mrs. A. Talbot-Ponsonby to St. Martin's, Salisbury.

Sampford Brett, Som.—Oct. 17, 1440 Bob Minor: M. Krajniewski 1, Mrs. J. M. Hopwood 2, G. G. Davis 3, F. C. Fackrell 4, D. K. Lane 5, G. Brown (first as cond.) 6. First Minor 1, 6. By Cannington local band.

Solihull, Warks.—Oct. 11, 1295 Grandsire Caters: W. H. Leeson 1, Christine Hewitt 2, Verona C. Naylor 3, T. J. Warner 4, V. Green 5, E. C. Shepherd (cond.) 6, E. J. Cole 7, E. T. Lloyd 8, R. J. Cann 9, A. Crabtree 10. For Evensong.

Sopley, Hants.—Sept. 28, 1320 Doubles (40 methods): B. F. Peachey 1, Faith Riley (25th quarter) 2, Flora M. Stocker 3, B. J. Fry 4, D. C. Jackson (cond.) 5, A. A. Nunn 6.

Southport, Lancs (Emmanuel).—Sept. 13, 1260 Stedman Triples: M. E. Snape 1, Catherine Guy (first quarter) 2, Lynn Brownlow (first in method) 3, Elizabeth Guy 4, J. Elliott 5, A. R. Guy 6, R. Kenrick (cond.) 7, Celia D'Aeth 8.

Stoke Bishop, Bristol.—Oct. 11, 1260 Stedman Doubles: Hilary Muirhead (cond.) 1, Joan Gray 2, Mary Crofts (first Stedman) 3, P. Norcross (first Stedman) 4, J. Collard 5, P. Gray 6.

Stratford-on-Avon, Warks.—Sept. 27, 1260 Stedman Triples: A. Borland 1, C. J. Pickford 2, M. Reed 3, R. C. Chapman 4, C. R. Stead 5, J. L. Findon (cond.) 6, F. C. Lyne 7, D. Bates 8. First in the method for 1, 2 and 3.

Sutton-on-Trent, Notts.—Oct. 14, 1260 Bob Minor: Grace Burchnell (cond.) 1, Rosemary Wilson 2, Katharine Burchnell 3, Eleanor Hall 4, H. Hawcroft 5, A. Wilson 6. In honour of the 100th birthday of Mrs. Hawcroft, mother of the ringers of 5th, with best wishes from all the band.

Swindon, Wilts (Christ Church).—Oct. 13, 1260 Grandsire Triples: C. Wilton (first quarter) 1, Ann Wilson (first inside) 2, Rosalind A. Oliver 3, Pauline Wilton 4, R. Everall 5, E. Sutton (cond.) 6, W. W. T. Daniells 7, B. Bladon 8.

Tarrant Keyneston, Dorset.—Oct. 10, 1296 Kent T.B. Minimus: Betty A. Christopher (first of Minimus) 1, Judith A. Robertson 2, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 3, P. R. Keough (first of Minimus) 4. First of Minimus in the method by all. For the wedding of Miss R. J. Broomfield to Mr. C. D. Browning.

Thakeham, Sussex.—Sept. 26, 1260 Bob Minor: Marion Skinner 1, C. B. Skinner 2, Brenda I. Cox 3, M. Hutcheson (first Minor) 4, T. D. W. Banner 5, R. M. Cox (cond.) 6.

Tilney All Saints, Norfolk.—Oct. 10, 1260 Minor (720 Double Court, 540 Single Oxford): W. W. Cousins 1, R. Newson 2, J. Fox 3, C. Cousins 4, N. V. Harding 5, T. Price (cond.) 6.

Tytherington, Glos.—Oct. 2, 1320 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob): G. Jackson 1, Mrs. E. Chapman 2, Miss P. Sturdy 3, G. T. Collins 4, D. A. Chapman (cond.) 5, S. Poole 6.

Upham, Hants.—Sept. 21, 1260 Doubles (40 m/v): B. J. Fry 1, R. Le Marechal 2, D. C. Jackson (cond.) 3, J. P. Collis 4, R. Green 5.

Uppingham, Rutland.—Oct. 18, 1264 Bob Major: Patsy M. Barnes 1, Belinda M. Gilbert 2, Cynthia E. Barnett 3, J. A. Ellis (first Major inside) 4, J. C. Hudson 5, R. J. Chantler 6, L. Atton 7, C. J. Groome (cond.) 8. For the visit of the Lord Bishop of Peterborough.

Waltham-on-the-Wolds, Leics.—Oct. 10, 1260 Bob Doubles: Katherine M. Cooke 1, H. Bonshor (cond.) 2, K. Anne Cooke 3, P. Simmons 4, C. Cooper 5, J. Smith 6.

Wendover, Bucks.—Sept. 27, 1260 Bob Minor: R. Tickner 1, Elizabeth Needham 2, Patricia Ramage 3, A. Wendon 4, J. Cooke (cond.) 5, R. Gerhardt 6. For the wedding of Brian Newman to Christine Wilkins.

Weston Turville, Bucks.—Sept. 13, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: D. G. Walton 1, Mrs. I. F. White 2, A. J. White 3, T. H. O. Lewis 4, R. Woodruff (cond.) 5. For flower festival.

West Tarring, Sussex.—Aug. 31, 1260 Bob Minor: H. D. Butler 1, Ann Daughtry 2, Jean Daughtry 3, Caroline L. Jones 4, D. Ockenden (first Minor inside) 5, R. M. Cox (cond.) 6. Also Sept. 20, 1260 Bob Minor: D. A. Smith 1, H. C. Weaver 2, C. J. Champion 3, H. D. Butler 4, Caroline L. Jones 5, R. M. Cox (cond.) 6. For Harvest Festival. Also Sept. 27, 1260 Bob Minor: Elizabeth Grigg 1, D. A. Smith 2, N. P. Spencer 3, H. D. Butler 4, R. M. Cox (cond.) 5, H. C. Weaver 6.

Whaplode, Lincs.—Oct. 12, 1260 Minor (three methods): P. G. Butler 1, Mrs. G. Butler 2, G. R. G. Butler 3, P. Charlesworth 4, R. I. West 5, G. H. Campling (cond.) 6.

Whittlesford, Cambs.—Oct. 11, 1260 Bob Doubles: J. York Moore 1, Elizabeth Bird 2, L. J. York Moore 3, Pat Hurworth (cond.) 4, R. A. Currell 5, A. R. Kennedy 6. For Evensong; also a birthday compliment to treble ringer.

Wigan, Lancs.—Oct. 14, 1280 Spliced S. Major (Cambridge, Yorkshire): Mrs. C. D'Aeth 1, Susan Cowan 2, R. Palmer 3, G. Sparling 4, J. Richardson 5, M. E. Snape 6, D. Bennett 7, C. Crossthwaite (cond.) 8.

Wymondham, Norfolk.—Sept. 12, 1259 Grandsire Caters: W. S. Girling 1, Anne Cossey 2, Mrs. P. W. Cave 3, N. P. J. Cossey 4, R. Rogers 5, P. W. Cave 6, D. R. McLean 7, P. Kindred 8, J. B. Pickup (cond.) 9, A. E. Crowe 10. For Wymondham Abbey flower festival.

Yorktown, Surrey.—Oct. 7, 1320 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): Celia Perry 1, Meriel Coldman 2, G. E. Coldman 3, W. J. H. Parker (cond.) 4, M. J. Church 5, I. R. Perry 6, F. A. P. Brunt 7, W. R. Hillary 8. To mark the 75th anniversary of the dedication of the bells (Oct. 5, 1895).

Winchester, Hants.—Oct. 3, 1272 Bob Minimus: T. R. Jones (cond.) 1-2, P. D. Naylor 3-4. First Minimus and on handbells 3-4 (rung in coach between Winchester and Marlborough).

Wootton, Northants.—Oct. 4, 1260 Doubles (5 methods): J. P. Sale 1, S. J. Bayliss 2, S. J. Griffiths 3, C. G. Chiplin 4, J. C. Parker (cond.) 5. To mark the 75th anniversary of the rededication of the bells (October 1).

FOR BATH AND WELLS 80th ANNIVERSARY
Sampford Arundel, Som.—March 13, 1260 Doubles (four methods): F. Pike 1, K. E. Beale (cond.) 2, R. Cross 3, Rev. M. Odium 4, A. W. Knight 5, Miss F. M. Gadd 6.

Halse, Som.—April 3, 1260 P.B. Minor: F. Pike 1, K. E. Beale (cond.) 2, Miss F. Gadd 3, T. Hancock 4, A. W. Knight 5, R. Cross 6.

Kingston, Som.—April 6, 1260 Doubles: R. Cross 1, A. H. Reed 2, Miss F. Gadd 3, A. W. Knight 4, K. E. Beale (cond.) 5, T. Hancock 6.

Combe Florey, Som.—April 10, 1260 Doubles: C. Hancock 1, F. Pike 2, R. Cross 3, A. W. Knight 4, K. E. Beale (cond.) 5, J. Berry 6.

Ash Priors, Som.—April 27, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Berry 1, C. Hancock 2, Miss F. Gadd 3, T. Hancock 4, K. E. Beale (cond.) 5, R. Cross 6.

Sampford Arundel, Som.—May 2, 1260 Doubles: C. Hancock 1, K. E. Beale (cond.) 2, Mrs. M. A. Durbin 3, A. W. Knight 4, R. Cross 5, J. Berry 6.

Enmore, Som.—May 8, 1260 Doubles: K. E. Beale (cond.) 1, Miss F. Gadd 2, G. Nabb 3, A. Knight 4, R. Cross 5, F. Mills 6.

THREE IN A DAY (September 1)

Worfield, Salop.—1260 Bob Minor: S. G. Pick 1, A. Glover 2, K. Russell 3, J. Burton 4, R. Riley 5, P. Johnson (cond.) 6.

Stockton, Salop.—1296 Cambridge S. Minor: K. Russell 1, R. Riley 2, P. Johnson 3, J. Burton 4, S. G. Pick (cond.) 5, A. Glover 6.

Tong, Salop.—1260 Doubles (four methods): A. Glover 1, S. G. Pick 2, K. Russell 3, P. Johnson 4, R. Riley (cond.) 5.

Wymondham, Norfolk.—Sept. 13, 1296 Grandsire Caters: P. Adcock 1, Mrs. P. Adcock 2, W. Cousins 3, N. V. Harding (cond.) 4, O. Needham 5, C. Cousins 6, B. Gogles 7, L. Houghton 8, W. Barrett 9, R. Harrop 10. For flower festival.

Yardley, Birmingham.—Sept. 26, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Enid Lawson 1, A. Cox 2, C. Wyld 3, L. Haines 4, D. Franklin 5, R. Abbott 6, J. Belshaw (cond.) 7, S. Royal 8.

Yatton, Som.—Oct. 2, 1250 Ipswich S. Major: P. J. Dye 1, Margaret James 2, Diana Bridle 3, P. J. England (cond.) 4, E. T. Lee 5, J. Brain 6, S. Brown 7, P. Bridle 8.

MINIMUS VARIATIONS

At Lincoln (St. Mary-le-Wigford) on September 8, 1970, 1272 Minimus. Single Court, Swanpool Court, Dunholme Court and Ermine Court: G. Webster 1, Vivienne West 2, Susan Faulk 3, A. W. Froggatt (cond.) 4. For Patronal Festival and believed to be the first quarter in last three variations.

Place Notation of New Variations

Swanpool Court:
34.14.12.14—14.34.14 34.14—14—14.34.14.
34.14—14.12.14.34.14

Dunholme Court:
34.14—14—14—14 34.14—14—14.34.14
—14—14—14.34.14

Ermine Court:
34.14.12.14—14—14
34.14—14—14.34.14 —14—14.12.14.34.14

The names chosen are taken from place names within the City of Lincoln and are all associated with town and county. A place named Swanpool Court lies within the parish of St. Mary-le-Wigford.

RANG AT FIVE TOWERS

A day out organised by Miss Margaret Lewis on Bank Holiday Monday was enjoyed by all taking part. Towers visited were All Saints', Kingston on Thames (10), St. Olave's, Hart Street, in the City, St. Mary's, Lewisham, St. John's, Deptford, and finally St. Alfege's, Greenwich. Lunch was taken at The Gun, Blackwell, where handbells were rung, and in the evening a Chinese restaurant was visited, where the use of chopsticks by some of the party caused great amusement. Altogether it was a happy and successful day. M. A. R.

BELL ROPES
JOHN NICOLL
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BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSN.**TIMSBURY, Som, St. Mary the Virgin.**

Tues., Aug. 18, 1970, 2hr. 33min. (12 cwt.)

5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

- 1 Ronald G. Beck
- 2 George W. Massey
- *3 Michael J. Winterbourne
- 4 Edward J. Chivers
- 5 Peter J. W. Hardwick
- 6 David G. Massey (Conductor)

*First of Surprise.

WANSTROW, Som, St. Mary the Virgin.

Fri., Aug. 28, 1970, 2hr. 26min. (10 cwt.)

5040 SURPRISE MINOR (York, Durham, Cambridge, London, Wells, Beverley and Surfleet).

- 1 George W. Massey
- 2 Ronald G. Beck
- 3 Peter J. W. Hardwick
- 4 Adrian P. Beck
- 5 Edward J. Chivers
- 6 David G. Massey (Conductor)

FROME, Som., St. John the Baptist.

Sat., Sept. 5, 1970, 3hr. 22min. (31 cwt.)

5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by Norman Smith.

- *1 Michael J. Winterbourne
- 2 Judith E. Beck
- 3 Julian E. Newman
- 4 Adrian P. Beck
- 5 Peter J. W. Hardwick
- 6 Robert E. Beck
- 7 George W. Massey (Conductor)
- 8 David G. Massey

*First on 8. First in method. First of Surprise Major inside. In thanksgiving for the life and ministry of Preb. A. F. Judd D.D., sometime vicar of Wilton, Taunton, of Christ Church, Bath, and rector of Beckington. Lecturer at St. John's, Frome, 1957-69, died August 21, 1970.

WHATLEY, Som, St. George.

Tues., Sept. 15, 1970, 2hr. 37min. (12 cwt.)

5040 SURPRISE MINOR (Ipswich, Primrose, York, Beverley, Wells, Cambridge and London).

- 1 Raymond E. J. Baker
- 2 Ronald G. Beck
- 3 Edward J. Chivers
- 4 Adrian P. Beck
- 5 Peter J. W. Hardwick
- 6 David G. Massey (Conductor)

Wedding anniversary compliment to George and Hilda Massey, of Frome, parents of the conductor).

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION**TOTTERNHOE, Beds, St. Giles.**

Mon., Oct. 12, 1970, 2hr. 44min. (10 cwt.)

5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR (6 methods: 1280 London and Rutland, 1120 Bristol, 480 Cambridge, Superlative and Yorkshire, with 129 changes of method)

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

- 1 Stephen Ivin (Conductor)
- 2 David R. Sanderson
- 3 Anthony H. Smith
- 4 Edgar T. Skipsey
- 5 Robert L. Piron
- 6 John W. Sinfield
- 7 Alfred E. Rushton
- 8 C. Michael Orme

Peals**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD****DAVENHAM, Cheshire, St. Wilfrid.**

Thur., Oct. 8, 1970, 2hr. 50min. (15 cwt.)

5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR (7 extents).

- 1 A. Gordon Lawrence
- 2 Frank R. Morton (Conductor)
- 3 Victor Neal
- 4 Ashley C. P. Pugh
- 5 Paul Maddock
- 6 Christopher J. Jones

Half-muffled in memoriam Harry W. Howard, ringer at this church for 48 years and local captain.

WISTASTON, Cheshire, St. Mary.

Mon., Oct. 12, 1970, 2hr. 17min. 6 cwt.)

5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR (7 extents).

- 1 Frank R. Morton (Conductor)
- *2 Michael Haighton
- 3 Frederick S. Sutton
- 4 Geoffrey A. Edwards
- 5 A. Doreen Edwards
- 6 John R. Scott

*First peal. Fully muffled in memoriam Harry W. Howard, of Davenham, Cheshire, who rang 44 peals on these bells. The conductor has circled the tower 10 times and conducted a peal from each bell five times.

WALKDEN, Lancs, St. Paul.

Sat., Oct. 17, 1970, 3hr. 15min. (19 cwt.)

5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Composed by J. R. Pritchard.

- 1 Ronald F. Andrew
- 2 Peter Dyson
- *3 Elizabeth A. Hibbert
- 4 Brian Schofield
- 5 Paul Reading
- 6 Brian S. B. Kear
- 7 Peter Broadbent
- 8 Michael Foulds (Conductor)

*First of Major.

GUILD OF CLERICAL RINGERS**DARLEY DALE, Derbyshire, St. Helen.**

Thur., Oct. 8, 1970, 3hr. (15½ cwt.)

5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by F. Dench.

- 1 Rev. Canon C. E. Wigg
- 2 Rev. L. R. Pizze
- 3 Rev. P. T. Robbins
- *4 Rev. D. H. Sansum
- *5 Rev. J. B. T. Homfray
- 6 Rev. F. Ross
- †7 Rev. R. D. St. J. Smith
- 8 Rev. R. Keeley (Conductor)

*First in method. †200th peal. First in method as conductor. First clerical peal of London.

BUXTON, Derbys, St. Peter, Fairfield.

Fri., Oct. 9, 1970, 2hr. 41min. (12 cwt.)

5056 SUPERLATIVE S. MAJOR

Composed by F. H. Dexter.

- 1 Rev. P. T. Robbins
- 2 Rev. R. D. St. J. Smith
- *3 Rev. D. H. Sansum
- *4 Rev. J. B. T. Homfray
- 5 Rev. L. R. Pizze
- 6 Rev. F. Ross
- 7 Rev. Canon C. E. Wigg
- 8 Rev. R. Keeley (Conductor)

*First in method. First in method for guild.

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**GREASLEY, Notts, St. Mary.**

Sat., Oct. 10, 1970, 2hr. 50min. (13½ cwt.)

5184 GLASGOW SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by Shirley Barton.

- 1 Rev. Fred Ross
- 2 David W. Parkin
- 3 Denis R. Carlisle
- 4 Robert Chambers
- 5 John F. Murfin
- 6 Geoffrey Paul
- 7 Gordon A. Halls (Conductor)
- 8 David W. Friend

DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**MORPETH, Northumb, Watch Tower.**

Wed., Oct. 14, 1970, 2hr. 33min. (10½ cwt.)

5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by A. Craven.

- 1 Nicholas J. Webber
- 2 Francis Mulvey
- 3 Roger N. Scholes
- 4 David Martin
- 5 Stephen C. Wells
- 6 Phillip Rogers
- 7 Christopher J. Sharp
- 8 Eric N. Harrison (Conductor)

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**CRIMPLESHAM, Norfolk, St. Mary.**

Sat., Sept., 12, 1970, 2hr. 35min. (6½ cwt.)

5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

- *1 Alfred Symonds (14)
- *2 Christine Hudson (14)
- *3 Brian Sayers (14)
- *4 Michael Mann
- 5 Ernest H. Mastin (Conductor)

*First attempt. In memoriam Ernest C. Cousins (died September 12, 1969).

ESSEX ASSOCIATION**THORINGTON, Essex, St. Mary Mag.**

Sat., Oct. 10, 1970, 2hr. 50min. (9½ cwt.)

5040 SURPRISE MINOR (Stamford, Durham, Rossendale, York, London, Norwich and Cambridge).

- 1 Eileen S. Button
- 2 Arthur G. Button
- 3 Rachel J. R. Orman
- 4 George N. Orman
- 5 Alan R. Andrews (Conductor)
- 6 Edward E. Davey

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**BANSTEAD, Surrey, All Saints.**

Sat., Oct. 17, 1970, 3hr. 10min. (21½ cwt.)

5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by Roger Baldwin.

- 1 Harold N. Pitstow
- 2 Beryl R. Simpson
- 3 Alan D. Flood
- 4 Bernard F. L. Groves
- 5 Stanley G. Ponting
- 6 W. John Couperthwaite
- *7 Michael J. Church (Conductor)
- 8 Peter J. Munday

*125th of Surprise and 100th of S. Major.

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GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**RUARDEAN, Glos, St. John the Baptist.**

Sun., Oct. 11, 1970, 2hr. 56min. (14½ cwt.)

5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

(Parker's 12-part, 2nd observation.)

- 1 A. Leslie Barry
- 2 Ralph T. Hazell
- 3 Patrick H. Allen
- 4 David E. L. Pobjoy
- 5 Cyril A. Wratten (Conductor)
- 6 Leonard C. Edwards
- 7 Peter C. Gould
- 8 Harold G. Meek

To mark the 859th anniversary of the founding of the church.

ARCHDEACONRY of HALIFAX GUILD**HEPTONSTALL, Yorks, St. Thomas.**

Sat., Oct. 3, 1970, 3hr. 15min. (18½ cwt.)

5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Composed by J. Thorpe.

- 1 Jack Fisher
- 2 Gillian Davison
- 3 W. George Turner
- 4 Arthur Rogers
- 5 Andrew R. Naylor
- 6 Dennis Greenwood
- 7 Albert W. Bond (Conductor)
- 8 J. Richard Senior

To mark the 100th meeting of the guild since its formation. The oldest and youngest ringers took part.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION ST. ALBANS, Herts, Cathedral and Abbey Church of St. Alban.

Sat., Oct. 10, 1970, 3hr. 10min. (23 cwt.)

5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Composed by J. Hadley Hunter.

- 1 Helen Dodds
- 2 Robert E. Hardy
- 3 Kenneth J. Darvill (Conductor)
- 4 Michael D. Frost
- 5 Katharine S. Hardy
- 6 Martyn L. J. Jordan
- 7 Geoffrey Dodds
- 8 Harold V. Frost
- 9 Anthony R. Carter
- 10 J. Alan Ainsworth
- 11 Frank C. Price
- 12 Andrew W. R. Wilby

Wedding compliment to Gerald Penney (ringing master) and Janet Pearson, both Cathedral ringers, married this day.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**ERITH, Kent, St. John the Baptist.**

Fri., Oct. 16, 1970, 3hr. (15 cwt.)

5184 LUNDUM SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

- 1 Margaret E. Oram
- 2 D. Paul Smith (Conductor)
- 3 Jane Reynolds
- 4 Frederick J. Cullum
- 5 Herbert E. Audsley
- 6 Ian H. Oram
- 7 Peter S. Muchlinski
- 8 Christopher T. Osenton

*First in method.

CUDHAM, Kent, SS. Peter and Paul.

Sat., Oct. 10, 1970, 2hr. 51min. (10½ cwt.)

5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

- 1 Doris E. Colgate
- 2 Tony Lewis
- *3 Jane Reynolds
- 4 Margaret E. Oram
- †5 Ian H. Oram
- ‡6 David C. Brookes
- §7 D. Roy Boulton
- 8 Michael H. O'Callaghan
- 9 D. Paul Smith
- 10 Stanley Jenner (Conductor)

*First of Royal. †Has circled the tower.

‡First of Surprise Royal. §First of Yorkshire Royal.

WALDRON, Sussex, All Saints.

Sun., Oct. 11, 1970, 2hr. 47min. (12 cwt.)

5040 HORAM LITTLE S. MAJOR

Composed by Stanley Jenner.

- 1 Sheila M. Dobbie
- 2 John R. Pratchett
- 3 Edward F. P. Bryant
- 4 D. Roy Boulton
- 5 David Featherstone
- 6 David C. Brookes
- 7 Walter H. Dobbie
- 8 Stanley Jenner (Conductor)

First peal in the method. A ruby wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. K. E. Eames of Polegate.

HORAM LITTLE SURPRISE MAJOR

—38—14—56—38—14—56. F. b, k.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**WALKDEN, Lancs, St. Paul.**

Sun., Oct. 11, 1970, 2hr. 58min. (18 cwt.)

5056 ALDERNEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by A. Knights.

- 1 Ian Smith
- *2 Peter Bellamy-Knights
- 3 James Cunliffe
- †4 William Birmingham jun.
- 5 Richard H. Johnston
- 6 Marcus C. W. Sherwood
- 7 Geoffrey Fothergill (Conductor)
- 8 John Ashcroft

*100th peal. †50th peal. First in method for all and for the association.

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**CROXTON KERRIAL, Leics, St. John the Baptist.**

Sat., Oct. 3, 1970, 2hr. 51min. (9½ cwt.)

5040 DOUBLES (1440 Rev. Canterbury Pleasure, 1440 Grandsire, 2160 Plain Bob).

- 1 P. Simmons
- 2 H. T. Bonshor
- *3 A. French
- †4 J. R. Ward
- 5 O. Homewood (Conductor)

*First inside. †First peal. For Flower and Harvest Festival.

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LEICESTER, All Saints.

Sat., Oct. 10, 1970, 2hr. 34min. (8½ cwt.)

5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by John M. Jelley.

- 1 John Harrold
- 2 Arthur E. Rowley
- 3 Monica M. Jelley
- 4 David F. Moore
- 5 K. Paul Gilliver
- 6 John W. Bramley
- 7 Alan E. Hartley
- 8 John M. Jelley (Conductor)

A compliment to Malcolm and Janet Wade on the birth of a daughter.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**GAINSBOROUGH, Lincs, All Saints.**

Wed., Oct. 7, 1970, 3hr. 3min. (19 cwt.)

5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by J. W. Parker.

- 1 John Walden
- 2 Susan E. Smith
- 3 Harold Gibson
- 4 Walter Tomlinson
- 5 John Freeman (Conductor)
- 6 A. Robin Heppenstall
- 7 Geoffrey R. Parker
- 8 Peter A. Sharp

BILLINGBOROUGH, Lincs, St. Andrew.

Sat., Oct. 10, 1970, 2hr. 59min. (7½ cwt.)

5104 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Composed by Maurice Onions.

- 1 Susan E. Smith
- 2 Harold Barsley
- 3 Roger D. Bailey (Conductor)
- *4 George H. Campling
- 5 Denis R. Woods
- 6 Robin R. Churchill
- *7 Michael J. Belcher
- 8 Roy Stephenson

*First of Major.

LUTTON, Lincs, St. Nicholas.

Sun., Oct. 11, 1970, 2hr. 29min. (4½ cwt.)

5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

(2 2160's and 1 extent.)

- 1 George R. G. Butler
- 2 Robin R. Churchill
- 3 Roger D. Bailey (Conductor)
- 4 Denis R. Woods
- *5 George H. Campling
- *6 Michael J. Belcher

*First of Surprise.

LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**LLANDAFF, Mon, Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul.**

Sat., Oct. 10, 1970, 3hr. 8min. (20 cwt.)

5040 CLIFTON SURPRISE ROYAL

Composed by C. J. Sedgley.

- 1 James A. Clatworthy
- 2 Michael J. Lakin
- 3 Susan Jackson
- 4 Philip M. J. Gray
- 5 Peter J. England
- 6 Paul A. Williams
- 7 David J. Llewellyn
- 8 Denis A. Chapman
- 9 D. John Hunt (Conductor)
- 10 Peter S. Bennett.

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NORTH AMERICAN GUILD

WASHINGTON, D.C., U.S.A. National Episcopal Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul.
Sat., Sept. 26, 1970, 2hr. 47min. (9½ cwt.)
5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR (C.C.C. Nos. 24, 27; 3 transpositions of No. 6; and 2 diary extents).

- *1 Cecily Rock
- *2 Kit Matthew
- *3 Penny Moriarty
- 4 William A. Theobald
- 5 Richard S. Dirksen
- 6 Simon Humphrey (Conductor)

*First on tower bells. To welcome Bill Theobald to the U.S.A., and in recognition of the quatercentenary of the Whitechapel Foundry.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

PAKEFIELD, Lowestoft, Suffolk,
All Saints and St. Margaret.

Sat., Oct. 10, 1970, 2hr. 55min. (9 cwt.)

5088 SUPERLATIVE S. MAJOR
Composed by N. J. Pitstow.

- 1 Gordon D. Elvin
- 2 David Cubitt
- *3 Adrial Walton
- 4 Carole A. H. Patey
- 5 Thomas E. Spight
- 6 J. Barry Pickup (Conductor)
- 7 Henry Tooke
- 8 H. William Barrett

*First touch in the method.

THETFORD, Norfolk, St. Peter.

Sat., Oct. 10, 1970, 3hr. 4min. (18 cwt.)

5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Composed by Frank C. W. Knight.

- 1 Frank C. J. Arnold
- 2 Edwin R. Goate (Conductor)
- 3 Charles R. Catchpole
- 4 Anthony H. Roberts
- 5 Albert G. Harrison
- 6 Frank Sutton
- 7 Norman Watson
- 8 Harry B. Fuller

Wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Roberts.

YAXHAM, Norfolk, St. Peter.

Sat., Sept. 26, 1970, 2hr. 45min. (11 cwt.)

5040 MINOR (1 Cambridge Surprise and 6 Plain Bob).

- 1 John R. Smith (Conductor)
- 2 Stephen T. Smith
- 3 Susan B. Baker
- 4 Robert G. Walker
- 5 John Illingworth
- 6 Martin Cubitt

A wedding compliment to John Gogle and Wendy Mayes.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD
(Cockroft Society)

NETTLEBED, Oxon, St. Bartholomew.

Mon., Oct. 5, 1970, 2hr. 29min. (7 cwt.)

5040 MINOR (Kent and Oxford T.B., Cambridge S., Double Court, St. Clements, Double Oxford and Plain Bob).

- 1 Mary Wells
- 2 John C. Baldwin
- 3 Timothy G. Pett
- 4 Harry E. Wells
- 5 Robert B. Blond
- *6 Peter R. Butler (Conductor)

*25th peal. A wedding anniversary compliment to Mary and Harry Wells.

BRIGHTWELL, Berks, St. Agatha.

Sat., Oct. 10, 1970, 2hr. 42min. (10½ cwt.)

5024 DOUBLE NORWICH C.B. MAJOR

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood.

- 1 Harold W. Dunsden
- 2 Timothy G. Pett
- *3 Andrew R. D. Cope
- 4 Harry E. Wells
- 5 Peter L. Furness
- 6 Michael W. Bishop
- 7 Geoffrey K. Dodd (Conductor)
- 8 A. Patrick Cannon

*First of D.N.C.B. A wedding compliment to Sue Heyworth and Laurence Haines.

HUGHENDEN, Bucks, St. Michael and All Angels.

Sat., Oct. 10, 1970, 2hr. 52min. (15 cwt.)

5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by Rev. H. Law James.

- 1 Derek Francis
- *2 Sydney M. Bailey
- 3 Roland Biggs
- 4 David A. Cornwall
- *5 Robert H. Newton
- 6 Arthur Newton
- 7 Percy Newton
- 8 J. Alan Ainsworth (Conductor)

*25th together. A wedding compliment to Beryl Smith (local ringer) and Kevin Lang.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD

EASTON NESTON, Northants, St. Mary.

Sat., Oct. 3, 1970, 2hr. 43min. (10 cwt.)

5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by Stephen Ivins.

- 1 Barry E. Saunders
- 2 Bridget Paul
- 3 William J. Chester
- 4 Graham C. Paul (Conductor)
- 5 Christopher C. Stokes
- 6 Raymond A. Vickers
- 7 Alan A. Paul
- 8 James Linnell

Half-muffled in memoriam the Hon. Flora Lawson, wife of Comdr. A. D. A. Lawson, of Passenham Manor, who died September 22, 1970.

BRAFIELD-ON-THE-GREEN, Northants,
St. Lawrence.

Sat., Oct. 10, 1970, 2hr. 47min. (12 cwt.)

5040 MINOR (Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Cambridge, Double Oxford, St. Clements, Buxton, Plain Bob).

- *1 Barry R. Care (Conductor)
- 2 Selwyn J. Griffiths
- 3 Steven J. Bayliss
- 4 Christopher G. Chiplin
- 5 Raymond Henman
- 6 Eric Billings

*Circled the tower.

MOULTON, Northants, SS. Peter & Paul.

Tues., Oct. 13, 1970, 2hr. 46min. (16 cwt.)

5184 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by E. A. Barnett.

- *1 Stephen J. Bayliss
- *2 Selwyn J. Griffiths
- *3 Alan J. Marks
- 4 Eric Billings
- *5 Barry R. Care
- *6 Brian R. Danby
- *7 Stephen B. Bell
- 8 Murray A. Coleman (Conductor)

*First on 8. †First on 8 inside. ‡First in method.

Wollaston, Northants.—June 20, 5040 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Christopher G. Chiplin 1, Barry R. Care 2, Alan J. Marks 3, Edward C. Buckley 4, Eric Billings 5, Richard J. Cowley (Cond.) 6; 2hr. 58min.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE
DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM

SHIRLEY, Warwicks, St. James the Great.
Sat., Oct. 3, 1970, 2hr. 34min. (6½ cwt.)

5120 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by Stephen Ivins.

- 1 Roderick W. Pipe (Conductor)
- 2 Muriel Reay
- 3 Elizabeth Stevens
- 4 John S. Croft
- 5 Jack L. Millhouse
- 6 Richard C. Stevens
- 7 Norman J. Goodman
- 8 George E. Fearn

BIRMINGHAM, Cathedral Church of
St. Philip.

Sat., Sept. 26, 1970, 3hr. 22min. (31 cwt.)

5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Composed by W. Eric Critchley.

- 1 Roderick W. Pipe
- 2 Muriel Reay
- 3 Richard J. Tibbetts
- 4 John S. Croft
- 5 Jack L. Millhouse (Conductor)
- 6 Terry R. Hampton
- 7 Arthur V. Pearson
- 8 Maurice F. Edwards
- 9 Norman J. Goodman
- 10 George E. Fearn

BIRMINGHAM, Cathedral Church of
St. Philip.

Thur., Oct. 1, 1970, 3hr. 24min. (31 cwt.)

5042 CAMBRIDGE S. MAXIMUS

Composed by Peter Border.

- 1 Roderick W. Pipe
- 2 Muriel Reay
- 3 Richard J. Tibbetts
- 4 Stephen W. Barton
- 5 Kenneth J. Hesketh (Conductor)
- *6 John S. Croft
- 7 Jack L. Millhouse
- 8 Arthur V. Pearson
- 9 Norman J. Goodman
- 10 George E. Fearn
- 11 Wilfred Williams
- 12 Peter Border

*First on 12.

SOLIHULL, Warwicks, St. Alphege.

Sat., Oct. 10, 1970, 3hr. 31min. (21½ cwt.)

5042 CAMBRIDGE S. MAXIMUS

Composed by Roderick W. Pipe.

- 1 George E. Fearn
- 2 Muriel Reay
- 3 Edgar C. Shepherd
- 4 Claudia A. Critchley
- 5 G. William Critchley
- 6 Arthur V. Pearson
- 7 John S. Mason
- 8 Terry R. Hampton
- 9 Norman J. Goodman
- 10 Clifford A. Barron
- 11 Peter Border
- 12 Wilfred Williams (Conductor)

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

THAKEHAM, Sussex, St. Mary.

Sat., Aug. 15, 1970, 2hr. 31min. (9½ cwt.)

5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR (7 extents).

- 1 Charles B. Skinner
- 2 Colin A. J. Chappell
- *3 Jean Daughtry
- 4 Henry D. Butler
- 5 Henry C. Weaver
- 6 Roy M. Cox (Conductor)

*First attempt.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**SOUTHWELL**, Notts, Cathedral Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

Sat., Oct. 10, 1970, 3hr. (25½ cwt.)

5055 STEDMAN CATERS

Composed by Robert E. J. Dennis

- *1 H. Geoffrey Wells
- †2 Elizabeth J. Dawson
- 3 Susan M. O'Neill
- 4 David Stainsby
- 5 William L. Exton
- 6 Peter L. R. Hayward
- 7 John R. Leeming
- †8 George A. Dawson
- 9 Richard A. G. Inglis (Conductor)
- †10 Anthony E. Clayton

*First of Stedman. †First of Stedman Caters. †First on ten. A welcome to the new Bishop and president (Rt. Rev. John Denis Wakeling), 7th Lord Bishop of Southwell, at the conclusion of the service of enthronement in this Cathedral Church.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD**MAPLEDURHAM**, Oxon, St. Margaret.

Sat., Oct. 10, 1970, 2hr. 45min. (8 cwt.)

5040 MINOR (1 Cambridge S., 1 Oxford T.B., 2 Kent T.B., 3 Plain Bob).

- 1 Geoffrey K. Dodd
- 2 Peter L. Furness
- 3 Philip G. Taylor
- 4 Robert J. Crocker
- *5 Albert H. Green
- †6 A. Patrick Cannon (Conductor)

*First of Major in four methods. †950th tower for a peal and 725th different tenor "turned in."

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION**LEIGH**, Worcs, St. Edburga.

Wed., Aug. 26, 1970, 2hr. 55min. (17½ cwt.)

5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

- *1 C. Edwin Brookes
- 2 Royston Grosvenor
- †3 Thomas W. Lewis
- 4 Geoffrey R. Drew
- 5 Leslie F. Smith
- 6 John Clements (Conductor)

*First of Minor. †Has completed the circle. A wedding compliment to Stephen Moreton-Jackson and Miss O'Brien, married at Crediton, Devon.

KINGSWINFORD, Staffs, St. Mary.

Mon., Sept. 28, 1970, 2hr. 41min. (10½ cwt.)

5056 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by Roger Baldwin.

- 1 Jack L. Millhouse (Conductor)
- 2 Stephen W. Barton
- 3 Clifford Skidmore
- 4 John S. Croft
- 5 Richard J. Tibbetts
- 6 Maurice F. Edwards
- 7 Gerald C. Hemming
- *8 George E. Fearn

*200th of London Surprise Major.

NORTON, Worcs, St. Egwin.

Wed., Sept. 30, 1970, 2hr. 39min. (14 cwt.)

5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by Roger Baldwin.

- 1 Richard J. Tibbetts
- 2 Jack L. Millhouse (Conductor)
- 3 Clifford Skidmore
- 4 John S. Croft
- 5 Stephen W. Barton
- 6 Terry R. Hampton
- 7 Gerald C. Hemming
- 8 George E. Fearn

NETHERTON, Worcs, St. Andrew.

Mon., Sept. 28, 1970, 2hr. 42min. (13 cwt.)

5152 LINCOLNSHIRE S. MAJOR

Composed by Simon Humphrey.

- 1 Richard J. Tibbetts
- 2 Jack L. Millhouse (Conductor)
- *3 Clifford Skidmore
- †4 John S. Croft
- 5 Maurice F. Edwards
- 6 Stephen W. Barton
- 7 George E. Fearn
- 8 Gerald C. Hemming

*700th peal. †First of Lincolnshire S. Major.

SALFORD PRIORS, Warks, St. Matthew.

Tues., Sept. 29, 1970, 2hr. 38min. (15½ cwt.)

5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by Norman Smith.

- 1 Richard J. Tibbetts
- 2 B. Gillian Pipe
- 3 Jack L. Millhouse (Conductor)
- *4 John S. Croft
- 5 Terry R. Hampton
- 6 Stephen W. Barton
- 7 Gerald C. Hemming
- 8 George E. Fearn

*First of Rutland S. Major.

STOKE PRIOR, Worcs, St. Michael and All Angels.

Wed., Sept. 30, 1970, 2hr. 41min. (9 cwt.)

5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by Roger Baldwin.

- 1 Jack L. Millhouse (Conductor)
- 2 Richard J. Tibbetts
- 3 Clifford Skidmore
- 4 John S. Croft
- 5 Terry R. Hampton
- 6 George E. Fearn
- 7 Stephen W. Barton
- 8 Gerald C. Hemming

They are not dead, our dear Departed,
Nor have they journeyed far—
Just slipped inside Love's Loveliest Room
And left the door ajar.

OLDSWINFORD, Worcs, St. Mary.

Fri., Oct. 2, 1970, 2hr. 55min. (12½ cwt.)

5280 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by Roger Baldwin.

- 1 Jack L. Millhouse (Conductor)
- 2 Clifford Skidmore
- *3 Arthur V. Pearson
- 4 John S. Croft
- 5 Terry R. Hampton
- 6 Richard J. Tibbetts
- 7 Maurice F. Edwards
- 8 George E. Fearn

*700th of Surprise.

HINTON-ON-THE-GREEN, Worcs, St. Peter.

Thurs., Oct. 8, 1970, 2hr. 46min. (10½ cwt.)

5088 DOUBLE NORWICH C.B. MAJOR

Composed by J. Hunt.

- *1 Leonard Mills
- 2 Shirley M. Drew
- 3 William J. Newman
- 4 Mrs. J. Thomas
- 5 Joseph D. Johnson (Conductor)
- 6 Geoffrey R. Drew
- *7 Christopher Hims
- 8 Joseph E. Newman

*First of Double Norwich. Southern Branch quarterly peal.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**ORMESBY**, Middlesbrough, Yorks, St. Cuthbert.

Sat., Oct. 10, 1970, 2hr. 55min. (18 cwt.)

5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Composed by Charles Roberts.

- 1 Fred Hodgson
- *†2 Tom M. Cox
- 3 Felicity Ashford
- *4 Jack Roach
- *5 Ernest Pannell
- 6 Michael D. Staniforth
- 7 Bert Sutton
- 8 Alan Leggett (Conductor)

*First in method. †Has circled the tower.

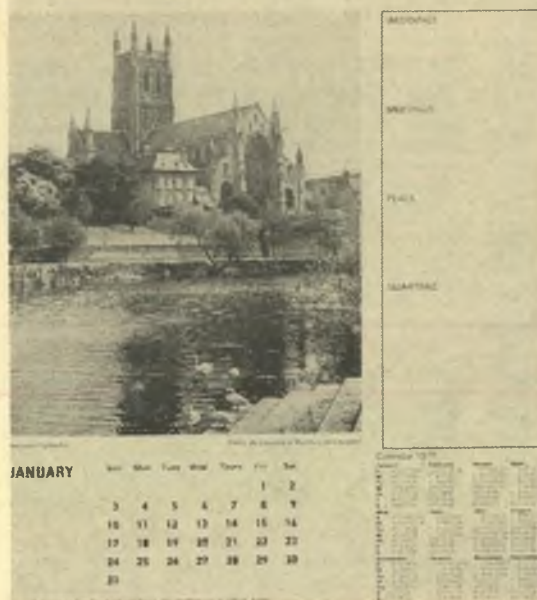
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TRUMPINGTON, Cambs, SS. Mary and Michael.

Sat., Oct. 10, 1970, 2hr. 50min. (10½ cwt.)

5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

(B. D. Price's 8-part.)

- 1 James W. R. Quinney
- 2 Mrs. L. G. Goodman
- 3 Ian J. Quinney
- 4 Alec W. Ivings
- 5 George C. Goodman
- 6 Raymond W. Balls
- 7 Denis A. Frith (Conductor)
- 8 Bevan Willgress

To mark the retirement of George Goodman, Eastern Telecoms Regional Director, G.P.O.

Handbells**GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION****CHELTENHAM, Glos, 48 Willersey Road.**

Wed., Oct. 7, 1970, 2hr. 8min. (12 in F.)

5040 SPICED PLAIN MAJOR (7 methods: 1728 Double Bob, 1152 Rev. Bob, 1104 Plain Bob, 336 Little Bob, 288 Wellington L.C., 216 each of Gainsborough L.B. and Crayford L.C., with 341 changes of method).

Arranged by Cyril A. Wratten.

- 1-2 Martyn Hawkes
- 3-4 Valerie Willard
- 5-6 Hugh N. Evans
- 7-8 Cyril A. Wratten (Conductor)

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION**WHEATHAMPSTEAD, Herts, 13 Tudor Road.**

Wed., Sept. 23, 1970, 2hr. 55min. (15 in C.)

5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS

Composed by R. B. Smith.

- 1-2 Katherine S. Hardy
- *3-4 Joyce M. Clarke
- 5-6 Robert E. Hardy
- *7-8 Elizabeth Forster
- 9-10 Keith J. Walpole
- 11-12 Kenneth J. Darvill (Conductor)

*First of Treble Bob Maximus.

WATFORD, Herts, 15 Harford Drive.

Mon., Oct. 12, 1970, 2hr. 35min. (15 in C.)

5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL (No. 3 version.)

Arranged by Roger Baldwin.

- 1-2 S. Kathleen M. Baldwin
- 3-4 John R. Mayne (Conductor)
- 5-6 Roger Baldwin
- 7-8 Julia A. Fellows
- 9-10 Martyn L. J. Jordan

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**GLENFIELD, Leicester, 22 Groby Road.**

Tues., Oct. 6, 1970, 3hr. 4min. (15 in C.)

5280 YORK SURPRISE MAXIMUS

- 1-2 Rupert A. Clarke
- 3-4 David F. Moore
- 5-6 John M. Jelley (Conductor)
- 7-8 Alfred Ballard
- 9-10 Robert B. Smith
- *11-12 John W. Bramley

*First of Surprise Maximus in hand. A compliment to Malcolm and Janet Wade on the birth of a daughter earlier in the day.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**WINTERTON, Lincs, Wicken, Westwinds Estate.**

Wed., Oct. 14, 1970, 1hr. 51min. (13.)

5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR (3 callings).

- 1-2 C. Aubrey Harrison
- 3-4 John G. Hall (Conductor)
- 5-6 Roger Hippisley

MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD**MANCHESTER, Room 3-1 Tower, Owens Park, Fallowfield.**

Thur., Oct. 8, 1970, 2hr. 33min. (18 in G.)

5264 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Composed by M. C. W. Sherwood.

- 1-2 S. Nicholas Harrop
- 3-4 Hamish M. McNaughton
- 5-6 William M. Taylor
- 7-8 Marcus C. W. Sherwood (Cond.)

125th peal for the guild. First in the tower. Engagement compliment to Hamish McNaughton and Susan Brown.

MANCHESTER, Room 87, Harley Victoria Methodist College.

Wed., Oct. 14, 1970, 2hr. 44min. (15 in C.)

5184 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Composed by M. C. W. Sherwood.

- *1-2 Christopher L. D. Munday
- *3-4 William M. Taylor
- †5-6 Hamish M. McNaughton
- †7-8 Marcus C. W. Sherwood (Cond.)

*First of T.B. Major in hand. †First of T.B. in hand. ‡25th together. First of T.B. Major in hand by the guild.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**WARFIELD, Berkshire, The Willows.**

Sun., Sept. 20, 1970, 1hr. 56min. (27 in A.)

5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Composed by J. R. Pritchard.

- 1-2 Christopher I. Rowson
- 3-4 N. David Lane
- 5-6 Frank C. Price (Conductor)
- 7-8 Susanne Sargeant

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**OSSETT, Yorkshire, 33 Kingsway Close.**

Wed., Sept. 30, 1970, 1hr. 33min. (13 in E.)

5040 MINOR (18 methods: Havercroft, Barnsley, Felkirk, South Kirkby; Kent; Charlwood, Neasden, Wragby, St. Albans; Ockley, Duke of Norfolk, Norbury, College Exercise; Capel, Sandal; Kingston, London Scholars; Oxford).

- 1-2 Margaret White
- 3-4 Patricia North
- 5-6 Ian North (Conductor)

OSSETT Yorkshire, 33 Kingsway Close.

Wed., Oct. 7, 1970, 1hr. 33min. (13 in E.)

5040 MINOR (22 methods: Havercroft, Barnsley, Felkirk, South Kirkby; Kent; Charlwood, Neasden, Wragby, St. Albans; Newdigate, Old Oxford, Willesden, College Bob IV; Ockley, Duke of Norfolk, Norbury, College Exercise; Capel, Sandal, Kingston, London Scholars; Oxford).

- 1-2 Margaret White
- 3-4 Patricia North
- 5-6 Ian North (Conductor)

Herts County Association.**NUMBERS LOW**

The Eastern District had a very successful meeting at Widford and Hunsdon on September 12 although numbers were rather low.

Ringing commenced at Widford at 3 p.m. and the local band had the opportunity to take part in change ringing and gain valuable experience.

The service was conducted by the Rev. S. Kirkpatrick, who mentioned that during his 40 years in the ministry it was the first time he had conducted a ringers' service and he felt very privileged to do so.

Tea was laid on in the church hall, followed by the meeting, at which Mr. E. Newnham took the chair. There was very little to discuss but many new members were elected from Hunsdon (which less than two years ago had a silent tower!). Ringing member, E. B. Lucas; probationary members, M. Mott, D. Robini, E. T. Whitbourn, R. Whitbourn, S. Whitbourn, E. Hartley (all of Hunsdon) and P. Wood (All Saints', Hertford).

Ringing continued at Hunsdon until 8.30 p.m.

HOW IT CAME ABOUT

When in 1952 it was decided to form a band to ring the bells at Coddington, Notts, ringers from Newark and Balderton had a very difficult task teaching bell handling on the tricky 7 cwt. five. The bells were rung to call changes intermittently until 1963, when they had become so difficult as to be practicably unringable. An inspection by Taylors of Loughborough showed them to be unsafe and it was decided to have them rehung. The ringers set about the task of raising the necessary money and were backed by the vicar (Rev. Peter Wright) and the P.C.C.

In 1965 the bells were rehung in a steel frame and a treble added, which was donated by the Barron Bell Trust. A start was then made on method ringing, help coming once more from Newark and Balderton. In December, 1966, five of the local band rang a quarter of Grandsire Doubles under the expert guidance of the conductor, Colin Reed (Balderton).

The band had the usual ups and downs with ringers leaving and new ones arriving to be taught. It was not until November, 1969, that they scored the first local quarter, Plain Bob Doubles, conducted by Derick Kirtton. Doubles were now being rung regularly for Evensong, the Friday night practice attracting ringers from a wide area. A local peal now seemed a possibility and when it was learned that the organ was in need of repair it was decided to attempt a sponsored peal in aid of an organ restoration fund (the organist being a member of the band). The date was fixed for October 3 and Grandsire Doubles chosen as the method. Colin Reed and Fred Hooper were "roped in" as umpires.

Interest ran high in the village and during the attempt people could be seen standing and listening, whilst some even sat in church. The attempt was successful, the peal being rung in 2 hours and 30 minutes, and was conducted by Derek Tysoe. The band are all regular Sunday service ringers and were all taught to handle at Coddington, two on the old five and one being an original recruit from 1952.

The peal ringers would like to thank the rest of the band (for helping to obtain sponsors), the umpires, the vicar for his enthusiastic support, and, of course, the many sponsors, whose generous support enabled approximately £75 to be raised. D. E. K.

The Ringing Career of James Robert Haworth

By W. T. COOK, Librarian to the Ancient Society of College Youths.

AMONG THE MANY interesting manuscript documents in the possession of the Ancient Society of College Youths are two books in which James Robert Haworth, who was born on April 21, 1821, and died on December 24, 1910, aged 89, inserted details of his ringing career. The first, measuring 5in. x 7½in. x 1½in., has written as its title page "Change Ringing on Church Bells in Various Methods, by James Robert Haworth, Member of the 'College Youths Society' and 'St. James's Society of Change Ringers,' London. 1850." In fact it includes details up to his last peal in 1894. The second book, somewhat smaller (ruled as an account book), is entitled: "Paragraphs, Testimonials &c., in connection with J. R. Haworth, when Instructor of the Dundee Ringers, and at other places. July 14th to Oct. 14th, 1873. London. 1873."

From these two books it is possible to build up an unusually complete picture of the life, particularly the ringing career, of one of the best-known of the London ringers of the last century—one of whom, in his obituary notice in *The Bell News* of January 7, 1911, it was said "For nearly seventy years Mr. Haworth has been one of the most prominent personages of the Exercise". He was master of the College Youths in 1851/52.

The larger of the two books just mentioned contains details of all Haworth's peals, and a good deal of other matters besides, particularly accounts of ringing excursions and the openings of new rings of bells. The first 40 pages or so are taken up with a miscellany of newspaper cuttings, mostly illustrations of, or articles concerning, church towers and bells, but also including cuttings relating to Haworth himself, which will be mentioned in their proper place. There are also a number of loose cuttings and manuscripts, the first of which (in order of time) consists of three small sheets of paper pinned together, from which we learn about Haworth's early career.

APPRENTICED TO A PRINTER

In April, 1836, when he was 15 years old, Haworth was apprenticed to a London printer, Mr. White. Howarth noted on October 26, 1840, "Mr. White gave James Robert Haworth his Indentures on the 17th October, 1840. He willingly gave them—at least he said so—and also that he was very glad he had the opportunity. . . . I have now got two and a half years to serve, which makes me seven years." Later he noted, "Mr. White kindly did everything he could when I was out of my time.—J. R. H. 1843."

The books do not show where Haworth was born, where he lived at that time, or with whom he worked. A testimonial dated 1860, written by "a Master Printer, in whose office J. R. Haworth was employed for some time," has 335 Strand, W.C. as address, and shows that Haworth was a compositor by trade. He is described there as "a steady, reliable and accomplished workman." In 1873 he was living in Exmouth Street, Clerkenwell.

However, from the evidence of the sheets of paper before mentioned and other early entries in the book, we can conjecture that Haworth started work with Richard Loftin, Printer, of 1 Crown Place, Temple Bar, who was a ringer, and that through him he learned to ring, perhaps at St. Margaret's,

Westminster, joining the St. James's Society in 1837 or 1838, and the College Youths on August 13, 1839. The grounds for these conjectures are as follows:

(1) The first item on the sheets of paper relates to an attempt for a "lapped" hand-bell peal at the Cock and Bottle, Bedfordbury (a street just behind St. Martin's Lane). It reads "Westminster Society, Cock and Bottle, Bedfordbury. On Sunday, December 31, 1837, six members of the above society sat down to ring a peal of Stedman Cinques, consisting of 6070 changes; and, after ringing very near four hours, one of the party missed giving away, only having to ring about a course." The band consisted of Charles Goozee, John Fairbairn, Richard Loftin, J. R. Haworth, Robert Williams and George Stockham. Goozee was the conductor, and Fairbairn "was the person who missed giving away."

PROMINENT RINGERS

Several of these men were prominent ringers of the time. Charles Goozee, of Cripplegate, was master of the St. James's Society in 1938-39; he was at that time a member of the Cumberlands, but joined the College Youths in 1852, and called several peals for them, some of which he composed. John Fairbairn, of Clerkenwell, was the current master of the St. James's Society and had joined the College Youths in 1835, and George Stockham, a hand-bell founder and steeplekeeper at St. Clement Danes', joined the College Youths in 1838 and was one of the leading peal ringers of that time.

(2) Enclosed in the book is an elaborately printed record showing that the same band met together again at the Cock and Bottle on Sunday, January 6, 1839, and rang a peal of Stedman Cinques, 5014 changes, "which was completed in a masterly style, in 3 hours and 9 minutes." The band was placed in the same order as before, but this time it referred to itself as "A Friendly Society." This sheet bears the name of R. Loftin as printer.

(3) The entry of Haworth's name in the College Youths' name book shows Westminster as the tower to which he belonged. Elsewhere in Haworth's book we learn that he joined the St. Clement Danes' band in 1838, and rang at Westminster Abbey for the Coronation in 1839.

The other item on the separate sheets of paper is of sufficient interest to be quoted in full. It introduces us to two other famous ringers of that time—Squire Proctor, of Benington, Herts, and William Lobb, who was also a member of the St. James's Society, and master in 1939-40. He was a Cumberland at that time but, like Goozee, he went over to the College Youths in 1852.

"J. R. Haworth was at Bromley, in Kent, on Sunday (July 1st, 1839). Stayed there all night with Mr. Lobb, and came home on Monday evening. We went for a peal of Grandsire Triples, but got out, having rung about two hours.

"On Wednesday (10th July, 1839) I and Mr. Lobb went to Benington, Hertfordshire. We passed through Tottenham, Edmonton—and I did not forget Johnny Gilpin—Waltham Cross and Hoddesdon, stopped at Captain (Naval) Proctor's for luncheon; until we came to Ware; we bore off then a little to the right, and proceeded to Benington, which is about eight miles from Ware. It was Squire Proctor to whom we went. We came home the Monday evening following."

The main body of the book being described is taken up with Haworth's peals, of which he rang 176. He got a friend of his, Joseph Robinson (also a College Youth), to write the first 38 of them in his book for him (at the time when Haworth was master of the College Youths), and at the back of the book Robinson copied a long extract from Stedman's *Campanalogia* (1677). At a later date (1857) Robinson brought the book up to date with another nine peals. Thereafter Haworth wrote in the peals for himself or stuck in printed accounts of them. Many of these peals are of interest, not least for the additional information about them in the book.

Haworth's first peal was rung at Holy Trinity, Southwark, on Monday, October 1, 1839—a peal of Grandsire Triples, conducted by William Lobb. His third peal, also Grandsire Triples, was rung at St. Mary's, Ealing, on May 2, 1841, conducted by that leading ringer of the time, Thomas Tolladay, "being the only peal rung there for upwards of thirty years." Some of the Ealing men were in the band, and they had two men on the tenor, although I believe it weighed less than a ton. Nearly all the peals in which Haworth took part after this were rung by the St. James's Society or the College Youths.

FIRST PEAL WITH COLLEGE YOUTHS

The first peal Haworth rang with the College Youths was one of Oxford Treble Bob Royal on December 30, 1841, at St. James', Bermondsey. This peal is of considerable interest in the history of the College Youths. The society at that time was, for various reasons, at a low ebb. New members were few (Haworth was one of only six who joined the society in 1839), and this peal was only the 13th rung by the society in ten years. Richard Mills, who was master from 1837 to 1840, had, however, determined to do something about this situation, which did in fact gradually improve from that time on, and among other things he offered a set of silver medals to the members who should ring the first peals of Oxford Treble Bob Major and Royal. The Major was rung at Holy Trinity, Newington, in 1840, and the medals duly presented. The same band, plus Haworth and Augustus A. Frost, rang the Royal as above mentioned, and Haworth and Frost duly received their medals. Haworth's medal is now in the possession of the College Youths.

The peal in which Haworth took part on Saturday, January 14, 1843—Grandsire Triples at St. Mary's, Wandsworth, rung by a College Youths' band, conducted by Thomas Tolladay—has an interesting footnote to it, giving an example of how a new ring of bells was opened in those days.

"This was the opening peal; after which the ringers dined at the Rose and Crown, where they had good accommodation. About seven o'clock in the evening they again ascended the tower, and rang a short touch of Grandsire Triples to oblige Mr. Foster (the sexton), and Mr. Mills, after which they rang a course of Oxford Treble Bob and about five courses of Stedman Triples. They then returned to the Rose and Crown and spent the evening in a convivial and amicable manner till about 11 o'clock, when they (about 13) started to town in an omnibus, and arrived at the Elephant and Castle about 12."

(To be continued)

It is impossible to enjoy idling thoroughly unless one has plenty of work to do.

—J. K. Jerome.

IN THEIR HOME TOWER

On October 3 the Ilchester Branch of the Bath and Wells Association held their October practice meeting in their "home tower," the Parish Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Ilchester. Ringing during the evening on the 11 cwt. five was under the direction of Mr. Gordon Rendell, the branch ringing master. The branch is grateful to the Rev. A. Martin and Mr. R. Merritt (tower master) for their courtesy and kindness in granting permission for the meeting.

Derby Association.

A VISIT TO SHREWSBURY

The eighth annual outing of the Derby Association (Chesterfield District) took place on September 12, when some 40 members and friends visited Shrewsbury.

The ten bells of St. Mary's were rung to some well-struck changes, and after a substantial lunch all felt well fitted to tackle the heavy 12 of St. Chad's with its 39 cwt. tenor. A well-struck plain course of Little Bob Maximus was enjoyed, providing us with the very welcome though infrequent opportunity of ringing 12 bells. The next tower of the day contained the light and pleasant six at Meol Brace.

On the return journey a call was made at Alrewas for the final ring of the day on the eight bells of All Saints'. Towers represented on the outing were Chesterfield, Dronfield, North Wingfield, Old Brampton and Old Whittington.

Our thanks to the clergy and tower captains of the host towers. District ringing master Derek Peers (Dronfield) did a grand job, ensuring a wide variety of methods and seeing that everyone had a ring. Our thanks, too, to Malcolm and Marjorie Phipps for the excellent arrangements and turning up trumps yet again by finding first-class eating houses!

RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD

Members from all regions met at Northampton on September 26 for the autumn meeting. Apologies were received from 22 members, and included in this number were Mr. C. F. Shanks (regional master, Eastern, South) and Mr. S. G. Martin (Joint Committee B.R.S.A.).

The programme and the success of the meeting was due entirely to Mr. S. Foskett, regional master, London Midland. Arrangements were made to have lunch and tea at the B.R.S.A. Club, Far Cotton. As buses were few and far between it meant, for many, walking. However, all turned up for both meals.

The ringing programme included a visit to St. Edmund's, St. Giles', Holy Sepulchre, St. Peter's and All Saints'. Those who arrived on Friday evening visited Earls Barton.

At the business meeting the rules for the ringing competition were accepted, with one exception—the time allowed members who were participating in the competition to notify their regional masters. This, however, was left in the hands of the separate regions. The master, Western Region, Mr. W. B. Kynaston, was already making arrangements at Worcester for 1971.

The inscription for the silver cup, suggested by the B.R.S.A., was agreed unanimously. Six new members were elected (two Western, 1 Southern, 1 London Midland, and two Eastern).

Mr. S. Foskett suggested visiting the Scottish Region and Ireland in the near future.

A proposal to put this matter on the agenda for 1971 was agreed. The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. C. A. Bassett and was seconded by Mr. W. J. Thomas.

An enjoyable week-end concluded with a successful quarter peal at All Saints' Church.

Swansea and Brecon Guild.

CORDIAL INVITATION

The Northern Section of the Guild held a very successful meeting recently at St. David's, Llanfaes.

Attendance was slightly down on previous meetings, nevertheless there were ringers representing the following towers: Brecon, Glasbury, Swansea, Cardiff and Llanfaes.

Ringing commenced at 3 o'clock and continued till about 7 o'clock, only interrupted by a break for an excellent tea provided by the ladies of the parish.

Courses of Bob Doubles, Grandsire and Bob Minor were rung and it was decided to hold another meeting on January 9 at St. Mary's, Brecon. Ringers from any other guild who may be in the area at that time are most cordially invited to come along.

ORGANISED FOR THEM

On Saturday, September 12, a small party of ringers from Braintree, Essex, and their friends made use of a route opened for the Croydon Ringing Festival. Towers visited included St. Giles, Cripplegate; Southwark Cathedral; St. Giles', Camberwell; Beckenham; St. John's, Croydon, and St. Mary's, Beddington. Lunch was made available by the Croydon ringers. Some of the party attended and greatly enjoyed the Festival service, while others made use of Croydon's excellent shopping facilities or visited Chartwell.

Solid and liquid refreshments were taken on the way home and handbells used. Despite the weather we had an enjoyable day, for which we are largely indebted to the enthusiasm of the Croydon ringers. Our main regret was that for various reasons the party was more depleted than we had hoped, so that full advantage of the interesting rings provided could not be taken.

C. H. G.

Bath and Wells Association.

STILL RECEIVING CRITICISM

Visitors from the Axbridge, Bridgwater and Bristol City Branches joined the Chew Branch for their quarterly meeting at Long Ashton, Somerset, on September 20, the clappers having come back just in time. The new form of service was a little more successful than before, although still receiving criticism, whilst the rector, who is no great lover of bells, preached somewhat resignedly on the theme "If you must make a noise, you must," which, of course, we did.

Tea was served in the Red Cross Hall to about 40 members and friends, and Mrs. Yeo and Mrs. Gilbert were warmly thanked for their efforts. Mr. Brain acted as chairman at the business meeting which followed. Mrs. E. Dye and Miss J. Gallop (Yatton) were elected members, and Mr. M. W. Coleman (Adderbury) a non-resident life member.

Recommendations of the sub-committee set up to report on a suitable memorial to the late chairman, Mr. H. W. Knight, were read and discussed at length. A fund is to be opened to enable branch towers and friends to contribute towards a permanent memorial to be placed in his home tower at Wrington.

Mr. Horseman reminded members of an association striking competition at Compton Bishop on October 24, and the secretary gave notice that the branch A.G.M. at Yatton would be held on December 12, a week later than usual.

Post-meeting ringing was extended to cater for latecomers, and the warmth of the September evening gave the party who adjourned to the Angel to discuss the ringing scene the added pleasure of sitting outside under the sky to enjoy their noggins. J. B.

FUN AND GAMES

What was to have been a leisurely afternoon tour of three towers turned out to be anything but that for Ronald S. Barclay and some of his friends. He writes:

"At the first tower, Stokesley, Yorkshire, we wasted a quarter of an hour trying to find the key, and the vicar asked us to lock the church door during ringing as there was a fair visiting the village. Leaving a note on the door for one latecomer, we ascended to the ringing chamber and closed the trapdoor.

"At the end of the touch came the surprise; when we tried to lift the trapdoor it had stuck fast. A glance round showed that the window would not open and that the only way down was through another trapdoor (and there was no ladder), which involved a drop on to a concrete floor. A banging downstairs, however, told us that the latecomer had arrived but could not get in because of the locked door. One of the ringers had the intelligence to go upstairs and throw the key out of the louvers to him.

"All this made the afternoon quite interesting, but changed the leisurely tour into a mad dash to try to get to the other towers on time.

"The previous day we lost both a peal and a quarter at Whitby."

NORTH HANTS RINGING TOUR

The seventh tour of the kind involving 10- and 12-bell rings was held on October 3, when ringers from Hampshire travelled to Kent.

Disappointment was met at Shipham when, expecting to ring for 11 a.m. service, they heard the bells ringing. The local band were attempting a quarter peal for a 10.15 a.m. service, a lack of communication between the vicar and local ringers apparently being the cause. However, all were made most welcome at Tonbridge, although arriving without prior notice. Borden bells (8) were found interesting before lunch, after which we made the long journey to St. Nicholas, Wade (a fine six), followed by the heavy five at Minster-in-Thanel. The ringing at St. Lawrence-in-Thanel was cut short because of a baptism, but all enjoyed the ten bells. There was a tea break before ringing on the eight at St. Peter's-in-Thanel, where the vicar (a ringer) met us and joined in the ringing.

Service ringing on the light Mears eight at Birchington followed (our non-ringers judging these the best of the day) before out final tower, Quex Park, a big attraction for ringers and non-ringers alike, with its setting in a field. Here we aspired to Little Bob Maximus—the first of Maximus for half the band. Our final stop was near Dorking for liquid refreshments. G. D.

PRINTER'S ERROR

Mr. S. H. Ellis, of Limerick, sends us the cutting from a provincial newspaper, *The Guardian*, published at Nenagh, Co. Tipperary. Mr. J. E. Cole, who was at one time a ringer at Limerick Cathedral, spotted the printer's error and sent the paper to Mr. Ellis.

"BELL-WRINGERS" VISIT

Among visitors to Killaloe last week were 40 bellringers from across Channel. During their three-day visit from Monday to Wednesday they visited the local Cathedral and St. Mary's Cathedral, Limerick. They appeared to be deeply interested in ancient castles and were very impressed by Bunratty Castle, especially in its mediaeval decor.

The party referred to was led by David Smith.

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ENGAGEMENT

BACKHURST—REAY.—The engagement is announced between Roland Charles, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Backhurst of Badshot Lea, and Marilyn Anne, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Reay of Ash, Surrey. 9972

PERSONAL

Let all bitterness and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice.—Ephesians 4: 31.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

PENNEY.—Gerald and Janet now live at 43, Liverpool Road, St. Albans, Herts. All ringing friends welcome. 9968

SMITH.—Peter, Gwen and Alun have at last moved to 13, Parc y Llan, Henllan, Denbigh. 9984

SULLIVAN.—Edna, Barry, Stephen and Philip now live at 7, Manor Park Way, Lepton, Huddersfield. Correspondents to Yorkshire Association, Western Branch Secretary, please note. 9965

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MISCELLANEOUS

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch.—Correspondence should now be sent to Mr. D. C. H. Simpson, the new Branch Secretary, 1, Meadow Lane, Liverpool, L12 5EA. Telephone 051-226 2669. 103

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—Due to the Association Dinner being held on November 7 the Practice Meeting of the above Division has been **CANCELLED.**—Jean Osbon, Hon. Div. Sec. 9990

EVENING MEETINGS AND PRACTICES

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Ross District.—Combined Practice, Weston-under-Penyard (6), Nov. 7, 7-9 p.m. All welcome.—J. J. Webb. 9985

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Evening meeting, Sat., Nov. 7, Norton (8), 5.30-8.30 p.m. 9942

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—Practice at Frampton Cotterell, Glos. (6). Tues., Nov. 10, 7 p.m., joining with the local ringers in their practice. All welcome.—B. J. 9991

LINCOLN GUILD.—North Lindsey Branch.—Evening meeting, Thornton Curtis, Sat., Nov. 7. Six bells available 6-9 p.m. 9918

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—S. & W. District.—Surprise Royal practice at Hillingdon, Mon., Nov. 9, 8-9.30; evening practice at St. Mary's, Staines, Friday, Nov. 27, 7.45-9.15.—C. H. R. 9987

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Branch.—Practice meeting at Acle on Sat., Nov. 7. Bells (6) from 6.30 p.m.—N. C. 9975

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Banbury and District Branch.—Practice meeting at Bloxham, Oxon, Fri., Nov. 6, 7.30 p.m.—B. J. Davis, Hon. Sec. 9952

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Witney and Woodstock Branch.—Practice meeting at Clanfield (8), Fri., Nov. 6.—E. R. Venn, Hon. Sec. 9951

SUFFOLK GUILD.—S.W. District.—Surprise Major Practice, Lavenham, Wed., Nov. 11, 7.15-8.45 p.m. Special Method, Pudsey. 9982

AFTERNOON MEETINGS

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Warwick Archdeaconry.—Monthly meeting, Sat., Nov. 7, Whitnash. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Further ringing after tea. Names for tea, please, to Mr. P. A. Oram, 15 Henley Road, Leamington Spa (Tel.: Leamington 26089).—H. A. M. 9955

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Monthly meeting, Sutton, Sat., Nov. 7. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Ringing after tea until 8.30 p.m. Special methods: Single Court, Hexham Surprise. 9950

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—South Oxon Branch.—Autumn meeting, Benson (8), Nov. 7. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea (3s. 6d.) to Ian O'Reilly, 12 Ambrose Rise, Wheatley (Wheatley 8304) 9911

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade Dis.—Meeting Nov. 14. Great Barford (5) 3-4.45 p.m. Tea and short meeting in church at Blunham (6) at 5 p.m. followed by ringing during evening.—A. H. Smith, Dis. Sec. 9996

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Chesterfield District.—Monthly ringing meeting Sat., Nov. 14. Bells available: Clay Cross (6) 3-4 p.m.; North Wingfield (8) 4-5 p.m. and after meeting. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. D. Davis, 48, Cartmel Crescent, Dunston Estate, Chesterfield. Tel. Chesterfield 51175.—Malcolm Phipps, Sec. 9994

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Peak District.—Meeting, Hathersage, Sat., Nov. 14. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Cups of tea provided; bring your own food.—T. Wylie. 9983

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Meeting, East Grinstead, Sat., Nov. 14. Ringing: Hammerwood, 3-4.15; East Grinstead, 4.15-5. Tea in the tower room 5 p.m. (please bring own food—cups of tea provided). Service 6 p.m., followed by business and further ringing until 8.30. Tickets (30s. each) for the annual dinner on January 9 will be available at this meeting or from E. J. Ladd, 4 William Street, Tunbridge Wells. 9947

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION (Cambridge District) and **ESSEX ASSOCIATION** (North Western District).—Joint meeting, Nov. 14, at Ickleton, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea, short business meeting for Cambridge District members. Evening ringing also at Ickleton. 9900

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South Eastern District.—Meeting, Burnham-on-Crouch, Sat., Nov. 14. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. All welcome.—R. J. H., Dis. Sec. 9916

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Nomination meeting, East Molesey, on Sat., Nov. 14. Ringing 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. G. Matravers, 47a Walton Road, East Molesey, Surrey, by Wed., Nov. 11, please. 9890

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Flamstead (6), Nov. 14. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to R. Sheppard, 19, Great Heart, Hemel Hempstead, Herts. 101

HILLINGDON JOINT MEETING (Middlesex, Oxford and Ladies' Guilds, London County Association). Nov. 14. Ringing at St. John's, Hillingdon (10) 3-4.30 and after tea; St. Mary's, Hayes (near Uxbridge Road) (8) 2.30-4. Service at St. John's 4.30. Tea in St. John's Hall. Social evening in the hall from 8.—C. H. Rogers, Middlesex District Secretary, 25, Windsor Drive, Ashford, Middlesex. 9998

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—By Meeting, Barming, Sat., Nov. 14. Bells 3 p.m. Names for tea to Miss S. Gunner, 472, Tonbridge Road, Maidstone. 9976

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—Meeting at Higher Walton on Sat., Nov. 14. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. followed by business meeting. Names for tea please to W. Mansley, 286, Higher Walton Road, Higher Walton, no later than Wed., Nov. 11. Special Methods: Rutland S. Major, Plain Bob Major.—D. G. Lawson, Branch Sec. 9957

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—Meeting on Sat., Nov. 14 at Hamer (6), in the afternoon from 3 p.m., and Healey (6) in the evening from 6.30 p.m. Please make own arrangements for tea.—G. Cheetham. 9981

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.—Meeting, Sat., Nov. 14, at Upholland (6), 3-5 p.m. Own tea arrangements. Evening ringing at Wigan All Saints (10) 6.15-8.30 p.m. Special method Erin Caters. All welcome.—C. D'Aeth. 105

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch.—Meeting at St. Bartholomew's, Rainhill, on Nov. 14. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Service 5.30 p.m. followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea to Mrs. F. Latham, Home Farm, Chapel Lane, Rainhill, Lancs, before Nov. 11.—D. C. H. S. 102

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Syston District.—The November monthly meeting will be held at Sileby on Sat., Nov. 14. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. in Church Hall followed by business meeting. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. Hunting, The Vicarage, Sileby, Leicestershire. 9929

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Gosberton, on Sat., Nov. 14. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 o'clock. Names for tea to Mr. J. Porter, 12 Exeter Drive, Spalding (Tel.: Spalding 4462), by Wed., Nov. 11. 9860

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Central Branch.—Evening Meeting at Fulbeck on Saturday, Nov. 14th. Bells (6) from 6 to 9 p.m. All welcome.—G. R. P. 9970

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Llandaff Branch.—Quarterly ringing meeting, St. Illtyd, Llantwit Major, Sat., Nov. 14. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m., followed by tea and very short business meeting. All ringers and friends welcome.—Iolo Davies, Branch Hon. Sec., The Grammar School, Cowbridge, CF7 7YX. 9928

NORWICH ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—Monthly practice Sat., Nov. 14. 2.30 p.m. Saxthorpe. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. at Heydon Rectory. Heydon bells 5.30-8 p.m. Names for tea by Wed., Nov. 11, to Rev. P. Kelly, Reepham Rectory NOR 69X. 9973

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Southern Branch.—Annual General Meeting, Sat., Nov. 14, at East Harling. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. followed by business meeting. Names for tea to Mr. F. C. Arnold, 6, The Turnpike, Bunwell, Norwich, by previous Wednesday.—F. C. Arnold, Branch Sec. 9980

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Davenport Branch.—Meeting at Flore (6) on Sat., Nov. 14. Names for tea to Mr. R. Fonge, The Avenue, Flore, Northampton, by Wednesday previous.—I. Webb. 9997

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—N. Notts District.—The November meeting will be at Tuxford on Nov. 14 unless a notice appears in next week's "R.W." to change the venue (I have found it impossible to contact the Vicar to remind him.) Names for tea to the District Secretary by Wed. 11. 9993

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bingham District.—Meeting, Gedling (6), Nov. 14. Bells 3.0. Tea 4.30. Service 6.30. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to J. Dawson, 33, Cambridge Street, Carlton, Notts. 9937

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—Quarterly meeting at Arundel (8), Sat., Nov. 14. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. following by business meeting. Evening ringing until 8.30. Please notify for tea P. M. Wills, 75, Annandale Avenue, Bognor Regis. 9988

SUFFOLK GUILD.—North East District.—Annual District Meeting at Beccles on Nov. 14. Bells (10) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wed., Nov. 11, to Mr. R. W. Bickers, 6, Ballygate Street, Beccles, Suffolk. Worlingham (5) also available 7-8 p.m.—T. I. J. B. 9999

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Nomination meeting, Nutfield, Nov. 14. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea to A. Clark, 16, Bayfield Road, Horley.—K. G. Game, Dist. Sec. 9949

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Meeting Sat., Nov., 21, at North Ockendon (6). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea early please to Mrs. Livermore, Castle Cottages, Ockendon Road, North Ockendon, Upminster. Further ringing after tea and meeting. 9948

GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Rural Branch.—Annual General Meeting, Almondsbury (8), Sat., Nov. 21, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and A.G.M. to follow. Names for tea to Mr. D. Rosser, 844, Filton Avenue, Bristol, BS12 7AS, by Mon., Nov. 16. 9992

GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Stroud Branch.—A.G.M., Stonehouse (6), Eastington (6), Sat., Nov. 21, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to P. Birt, "Lynholme," Rack Hill, Chalford, Glos. 9907

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guildford District.—Nomination meeting, Wonerish, Nov. 21. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and 17, to Mrs. Enticknap, "Ockleigh," Guildford meeting in Church Hall. Names by Tues., Nov. Road, Wonerish. Tel. Bramley 2308. 106

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Church Stretton District.—Annual Meeting, Church Stretton, Sat., Nov. 21. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow.—G. Randle, All Stretton, Salop. 104

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Meeting at Lympe, Sat., Nov. 21. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea for those who notify H. P. Yates, "Long View," Berwick Lane, Lympe, Hythe, by Thurs., Nov. 19. 9967

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—Meeting at St. Marys, Prestwich, on Sat., Nov. 21. Bells (8) 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Please note change of time. Everyone welcome. 9971

ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD SOCIETY.—Meeting at St. Peter's, Wolverhampton, on Sat., Nov. 21. Bells (12) available 3 p.m. to 4.25 p.m. and after tea. Committee meet in nave at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, by Nov. 18 latest please, to Mrs. J. Jones, 81, The Crescent, Tottenhall Wood, Wolverhampton. Tel. Wolverhampton 753549.—C. M. S., Gen. Sec. 9763

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Winchester District.—Quarterly meeting, Easton, Kingsworthy and Owslebury, Nov. 21. Kingsworthy 2.45-3.45, Easton 2.30-4.15. Service, tea, business meeting. Owslebury 7-9 p.m. Names for tea to I. M. McCallion, 4, Hursley Court, Hiltigbury Road, Chandlers Ford, Hants, SO5 1NN.—I. M. M. 9964

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LATE NOTICES**DEATHS**

ARTIS.—Suddenly, on Oct. 25, Percy Claude, of 130 Knowsley Road, Norwich, aged 94 years. 107

HINCHLIFFE.—Suddenly, on Oct. 18, Arthur Hinchliffe, of Crag-Lea, 8 Levens Way, Silverdale, Carnforth, Lancs. 117

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT RINGING SOCIETY.—Meeting, Hedon (8), Sat., Nov. 14. Belle 3.30-5 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by more ringing.—R. W. S. 116

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ilkeston District.—10-bell practice, Duffield, Fri., Nov. 13, 7.30-9 p.m. 118

GUILDFORD GUILD.—Leatherhead District.—Surprise practice at Ashted, Tues., Nov. 10, 19.45-21.15 hours. Methods: Bristol, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire.—J. A. L. 114

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—Meeting, Sat., Nov. 14, Hertingfordbury (6), 3-4.30 p.m. Business meeting, St. Andrew (8), Hertford, 6, followed by ringing to 8.30 p.m. Regret own arrangements for tea.—S. E. James, Hon. Dis. Sec. 111

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—A by-meeting will be at St. Alphege, Whitstable (in High Street), on Sat., Nov. 14. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Evening ringing at All Saints, Whitstable, after meeting. Names for tea to Mrs. E. Bennett, 12 Warwick Road, Whitstable (Tel. Whitstable 4631). All names by previous Wednesday. No name, no tea.—J. B. K. 113

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—Monthly meeting will be at St. Mary and All Saints (8), Whalley, on Sat., Nov. 7. Tower open 2.30 p.m. Business meeting follows cups of tea at 5 p.m. Evening ringing continues to 8 p.m. Visitors welcome.—Maurice Hill, Branch Sec. 108

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—West Lindsey Branch.—Meeting, Brigg, Sat., Nov. 21. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea for those who notify me by Tuesday previous (important). Special methods: Annable's London and Double Bob.—Geo. L. A. Lunn, Crow Garth, Lea, Gainsborough (Tel.: 2623). 122

PARISH CHURCH, CIRENCESTER.—The monthly ringing practice for Sat., Nov. 7, is CANCELLED for this month. 109

SILSOE, BEDS.—The weekly practice has now been resumed: Mondays, 7.30 p.m.—T. P. Harris. 112

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Southampton District.—Special practice in elementary methods, Lymington, 7.30-9 p.m., Thurs., Nov. 12.—Gillian Davis. 115



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Wedding.**MARTIN—MASON**

The wedding took place at St. Peter's, Southampton, of Miss Muriel Jean Mason, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Mason, of Chilvers Coton, Nuneaton, Warwickshire, and Mr. Alan Howard Martin, of Chandler's Ford, Hants.

Despite her former ringing association, the bride chose a bell-less wedding in order to be married by the Rev. G. E. Beechey, who is chaplain to the Girls' Friendly Society Hostel, where she has been resident for three years. He is also vicar of St. Peter's, which has no bells.

The bride wore guipure lace, nylon and embroidered chiffon with a flowing tulle veil. Her bouquet of cream orchids, freesias and rosebuds was later placed on the altar at St. Peter's.

The bridal attendants were Miss Helen Carrick and Miss Joyce Martin, who wore apricot silk flecked piquet, and had geisha-girl coiffures tied with apricot ribbons, whilst the chief bridesmaid, Miss Suzanne Saunders, had green piquet and a single flower head ornament. The dresses were long with puffed sleeves and mandarin necks, and the bouquets posies of white and apricot carnations and rosebuds. Master Andrew Arnold, the bride's infant nephew, wore a blue suit with bell-bottom trousers and cummerbund, bow-tie and a blue and red jacket.

The bridegroom's mother wore an oatmeal fitted coat over a matching dress and a hat in rose-pink pleated silk, and the bride's mother wore a suit in French navy blue trevira with gold buttons and tabs and pink and beige accessories.

After the normal bridal walk down the aisle following their nuptials, the pair perpetuated a lovely custom observed at St. Peter's. They re-entered the nave after signing the register and made a full circuit of the church, via the south aisle, chancel and north aisle, round the central font, to the west door. This is known at the church as the bride's "lap of honour."

The bride and her sister were formerly ringers at All Saints', Coton, and later at churches in and around Southampton.

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In a peal of Bob Major at St. Michael's, Southampton (tenor 16½ cwt.), which took 3 hours and 13 minutes, Rev. K. W. H. Felstead rang his first of Major, and Ronald Burford his first peal. Charles H. Kippin conducted.

Ronald C. Noon and Frank H. Hicks rang their first of Superlative at Bexley, Kent, whilst at Banstead, Surrey, Reginald F. Layton and Margaret E. Pitstow rang their first peal (Grandsire Triples), conducted by Harold N. Pitstow.

A Peterborough Guild meeting (Wellingborough Branch) was held at Earl's Barton, when 90 ringers were present. A collection for the bell restoration fund produced £1 18s. 6d.

Mr. H. E. Audsley was elected ringing master at the Lewisham District meeting of the Kent County Association.

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 —E. Alexander Young.—Adv't.

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November 5, 1920

Under the heading "A Dangerous Practice," the Editor detailed the troubles which could result from wedging a wooden bell frame again tower walls to prevent movement. It was not a job for a local blacksmith or carpenter to tighten and strengthen frames but for a qualified bellfounder.

Albert Harman, Alfred H. Winch and George Marriner took part in a peal at Ashted, conducted by Arthur Dean.

Six members of Manchester City Police Force took part in a peal of Grandsire Triples at Birch, Manchester, five of them ringing their first peal.

Miss Evelyn Steel (Bedford) was elected a life member of the Chester Guild before a peal at West Kirby.

J. P. Fidler rang his first peal inside (7 Minor methods) at Norbury (Cheshire).

Ten members of St. Mary's Society, Reading, spent an enjoyable two days' excursion to Bristol, where they stayed at the Swan Hotel.

The death was announced of Mr. John Smith, of Tipton, Staffs. He was the first secretary of the Worcestershire Association (1885-1904).

In his 96th year, Mr. George E. Symonds, of Ipswich, conducted a peal of Bob Major at Grundisburgh on Tuesday last week. It was the 50th anniversary peal of Mr. Cecil Pipe's first peal, which Mr. Symonds also conducted, the compositions being the same on each occasion. (What a man!)

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