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A CENTURY OF SERVICE

THE passing of Miss Margaret Snowdon on July 20th last brings to an end a century of personal service to the Exercise by the Snowdon family. Their lives have been an example to us all and their contribution to the Church and the good of the art is immeasurable.

Margaret's Uncle Jasper died in 1885, after founding the Yorkshire Association in 1875 and holding office as president for ten years. Her father William succeeded him and continued as president for 25 years, during which membership steadily rose from 525 to 1,452 members, 1,300 of them resident ringers.

It has been the writer's privilege to visit Miss Snowdon at least once a year and enjoy her reminiscences of bygone times. During her life at Cartmel she was greatly loved and respected, as a domestic science teacher at Cartmel School and as a great friend and worker at the ancient Priory Church.

When quite a small boy, her father William was put on a train at Ilkley, labelled like a parcel, and sent to Horsam Preparatory School. Lord Grimethorpe had observed and taken a liking to him, and undertook the expense of his education. As a frequent guest of Lady Grimethorpe he had the opportunity to develop the perfect manners and thoughtfulness for which he was noted. He was an earnest churchman, always regular and punctual for service ringing, and loved and esteemed by all.

His daughter Margaret inherited his fine characteristics and, though not herself a ringer, her contribution to the Exercise has been one of which her father William would be justly proud.

She was very fond of her parents, and after her father's death cared for her mother, Laura, for many years, until she passed away in 1941. On one occasion, Margaret recalled, with reference to her mother helping William Snowdon to complete Jasper Snowdon's written work, "How she worked, and sometimes in the late evening, when reading and correcting proofs with him she would turn so sleepy that she used to run upstairs to the top of the house and back so as to become thoroughly awake."

On another occasion Margaret described the usual Sunday evening rush to be punctual for service ringing. She said: "With dear folk in the house for tea and 5.30 p.m. having struck, my dear father scurrying out of the room and sitting on the bottom step but one of the flight of 12 steps, plunging his feet into his boots to be off. Luckily it was all downhill for at least a third of the way to the parish church."

Though distance and local ties prevented her attending the Jasper Whitfield Snowdon Commemoration Dinner, it was her custom to send a message for the president to read to the gathering. One of her most recent messages

read: "Best wishes to all, from the president to the newest member, with the sincere hope that the Yorkshire Association may continue to prosper. What ensures this is:

HARD WORK for the cause with a mixture of—
LOVE OF THE ART, that each member may become aware he has—**A SPECIAL JOB**.

That he studies **PUNCTUALITY** and is conscious of the **RELIGIOUS BACKING** to be upheld."

With her advancing years she was concerned for the future continuity of "Snowdon Series of Ringing Text-books." Of latter years, the late J. A. Trollope and E. C. S. Turner had rendered great service in advising her and helping her to bring them up to date, and rewrite some of them prior to republication. It gave her great satisfaction and confidence that she was able to pass on responsibility for the future of the books to someone on whom she knew she could rely, and we are fortunate that Mrs. Turner is doing this, so that although the Snowdon's century of personal service has drawn to a close, their good works, inspiration and fine example of unselfish service will live on.

N. CHADDOCK.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—THE VISITORS

WARMER days bring to many towers a varied cross-section of the ringing fraternity in the form of holidaying visitors. To those living in a popular resort the influx of visitors may mean less ringing for the "locals" or perhaps better ringing, depending upon the number and standard of visitors.

The reception given to these visitors is invariably cordial, but there have been a few occasions known to the writer when the reception has been, to say the least, cool, and once where the visitor has been taken to the edge of insulting opposition.

When told of the "welcome" given to one of his most promising pupils whilst she was on holiday, the writer drafted an incensed letter condemning the band for its inexcusable behaviour, but on consideration decided that perhaps it would be a waste of time as these ringers could not possibly have heard of "The Ringing World" or what it stands for! It was felt more desirable, therefore, to appeal to all readers to consider the feelings of young ringers and to realise the importance of "your" effect upon them. Put yourselves in their shoes and give what you might expect elsewhere.

Put yourselves in the shoes of the young ringer who received the "cold shoulder" even when the "locals" met short for a Sunday service ring. Was it because she was a "scientific" amid call-changers? Or because she was a woman among men? Because she was a "foreigner"—or what? With no explanation she was simply not invited to ring.

As a young learner, my tutor once told me: "... the ringing fraternity is just like one large band—go out and meet them like you'd walk into your own tower. They are not so different and they have much in common—they are the Ringing World." This message has always stuck, and I hope it will be remembered by the young readers and endorsed by fellow captains and ringers wherever they are situated and however many people wish to ring with them at practice or service.

May I, in conclusion, give a tip to the visitors. If the tower you are visiting is crowded, remember the captain has a difficult task in giving everyone enough ringing, so don't overstay your welcome—leave some for the locals and for others that may follow you, and you will be welcome again.

S. G. S.

PERSONALITIES OF THE EXERCISE—60

WHEN well past 60, most ringers who hold the office of secretary or treasurer, usually prefer to hand over their arduous duties to someone younger. Mr. E. Maurice Atkins, of Teignmouth, Devon, general secretary of the Devon Guild, however, did not take office until he was 66, and is to be congratulated on continuing the job with considerable enthusiasm. Most of his time in ringing has been devoted to helping others, and he is still striving to maintain interest in a difficult but rewarding area.

Maurice Atkins was born on July 7th, 1890, in Leicester. In later years his father became Rector of Isham, Northants, and while still a schoolboy at Wellingborough School, he was one of the band trained to ring the restored ring of six in 1906 by Mr. Edward Chapman, of Kettering. So good was this instruction, they were able to ring a local peal of Bob Minor on Boxing Day, 1907, the first for all the band, except the conductor, Mr. Chapman. Two years later, the local band rang a seven method peal, entirely unaided. Another notable peal rung at this time, which Maurice conducted, was the then 'youngest band' peal at Cranford, Northants, in February, 1909—Bob Minor—the average age being 16 years and 8 months.

AT CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY

In 1909 Maurice went to Cambridge as an exhibitor of St. Catherine's College, and found the University ringing at a very low ebb. He became Master of the C.U.G. from 1910-12, and during this period a great revival took place. The president was the Rev. A. H. F. Boughiey, and, with his help, two handbell peals were eventually rung in 1911. These were followed by a spate of handbell peals in 1912, including Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and Double Norwich, and the first ever of Little Bob Royal, all conducted by Maurice, who has always been a handbell enthusiast. Tower bell peals were rung with the help of non-resident members, and three notable ones were scored during a tour of Devonshire in September, 1912. Superlative was rung at Maurice's present tower—St. Michael's, Teignmouth, and two peals on bells which have since been lost in the blitz of the last war—Cambridge Major at Charles Church, Plymouth, and Little Bob Royal at St. Sidwell's, Exeter. These last two were the first peals in the respective methods, in Devon, the first of Royal in Exeter, and the first of Little Bob Royal on tower bells.

During the First Great War, Maurice served as a Lieutenant in the Royal Engineers in Belgium until 1916, when he was wounded in the leg (it still gives him a bit of trouble), and this put him out of action from ringing until 1919. In that year he conducted two interesting peals rung by a band of ex-service officers. The first was on March 15th at St. Mary's, Putney, Surrey, when Kent Major was rung, and the second was Grandsire Caters at St. Peter's, South Croydon, on July 9th. After a short spell as a belfry inspector with Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, Maurice became a civil servant as patent office examiner in 1920, and settled down in N.W. London, within the sound of the light bells of St. Augustine's, Kilburn. These bells were carillon bells, cast by Von Aerschott, of Louvain, Belgium, and were hung in rather a primitive fashion. However, they were soon rehung by Messrs. J. Taylor, and Maurice had the pleasure of training a band to ring them. He did very little peal ringing during the next 30 years, but looks back with great pleasure to one or two peals of Bob Major and Grandsire Triples rung with the Kilburn band. Since 1924 Maurice has not kept any records of his peals, but had scored 300 up



MR. E. MAURICE ATKINS, B.A.,
Guild of Devonshire Ringers.

to that year, of which he had conducted about half.

In 1950 Maurice retired, and came to live at Teignmouth, Devon. Before leaving London, he was duly honoured by the Middlesex Association by being made an honorary life member, a gesture which gave him much gratification. He soon set to work to train a band at St. Michael's Church, and with the help of some other ringers, the bells are kept going Sunday by Sunday. When the general secretary of the Devon Guild, Mr. Ernest J. Taylor, died in 1956, after an accident, Maurice stepped into the breach, though hoping that someone younger would come forward. After six years in office, Maurice, now aged 72, is still carrying on the good work, and is probably the oldest general secretary in the country. Two peals, about which Maurice is very pleased, were rung fairly recently. The first Surprise Major by a Devon band—Cambridge at Wolfborough, and a peal of Bob Major rung at his own tower of St. Michael's, Teignmouth, to celebrate the silver jubilee in the priesthood of the Vicar.

In the field of composition, Maurice has been interested mainly in putting together peals which would be of help to inexperienced ringers or conductors. His well known 12 part peal of Bob Major, devised for handbell ringers, has 5-6 coming home every four courses, after coursing for two of them, and he has other simple arrangements in which the sixth is kept home for a long time at the start to the rhythm, so essential for good striking.

Maurice has always been a strong churchman, and when in London was Vicar's warden for a time at St. Augustine's, Kilburn, and a member of the London Diocesan Conference.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

The Farnham District's second annual striking competition was held at Frensham on July 28th. Six teams entered, four representing towers. The judges were Mr. W. Parker (Sandhurst) and Mr. I. Scott (Easthampstead), both of the Oxford Diocesan Guild.

The result was announced after tea, which had been prepared by the ladies of Aldershot tower and transported to Frensham. In their remarks, the judges wondered whether there was anything amiss with the second and third bells, as many of the faults made by all the teams could be blamed on these two bells. The total number of faults per team was also considerably higher than had been the case at Bentley, the previous year. The winning team was Aldershot 'A' with 44 faults. Last year's winners, Farnborough, were second with 67 faults and Farnham third with 93 faults.

After tea the tower was open for general ringing. W. W. W.

AMERICAN GUILD OF ENGLISH HANDBELL RINGERS

Mrs. Nancy Poore Tufts, of Washington, D.C., sends us a correction to Canon Thurlow's remarks at the Central Council meeting regarding Mr. Frederick Sharpe's visit to address the Festival of the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers to be held in Detroit next June.

Although the 300 teams mentioned may be represented, it is doubtful that that number will attend. While over 600 persons attended the 1961 festival, held in St. Louis, only 43 teams appeared on programmes.

The American Guild of E.H.R. does not sponsor competitions. Since the majority of American teams are 'Bell Choirs', church-affiliated groups, competitions would not be considered fitting.

FIRST PEAL AT COLYTON

One of the six peals rung by the Friends of the Exercise during their tour from August 13-18th was at Colyton, the heaviest 6 in Devon and so far as can be ascertained, this was the first attempt there.

The weights of the individual bells are impressive: Treble 8 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb. (T.B., 1772); 2nd 9 cwt. 1 qr. 1 lb. (G. & J., 1934); 3rd 10 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb. (1611); 4th 12 cwt. 1 qr. 27 lb. (1667, I.P.); 5th 19 cwt. 0 qr. 20 lb. (T.B., 1775); Tenor 24 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb. (Mears, 1837).

The bells were rehung on ball bearings in 1934 by Gillett and Johnston, but on the old frame, in which the back two bells swing the same way in adjacent pits. The circle is far from ideal. During the course of the peal the tenor sadly gradually disintegrated, leaving only about half the original tuffing.

The other noteworthy peal of the week was that of Bob Triples at East Budleigh. The band consider this to be one of the best peals of Bob Triples to have been rung anywhere. The tenor man (68), of East Budleigh, rang splendidly for his second peal. (The first was tenor to Doubles.)

He is at present a member of the Exeter Diocesan Conference. On the Central Council, he represented the Peterborough Diocesan Guild for three years, and the Cambridge University Guild for 27 years. During his ringing career, his chief interest has been training youngsters, and it is his greatest pleasure when they succeed, and come Sunday by Sunday, even at great difficulty to themselves, to ring as a Christian obligation. Maurice Atkins' whole ringing life could well be described as a service to others. He is still continuing to give his services in his years of retirement, thereby setting a splendid example to the younger generation. APACE.

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BY 8.15 a.m. on Saturday, August 4th, the last of the bicycles had been loaded on to a large furniture van at Willoughby, near Hull, and, together with 15 ringers, a start was made on the long journey down to Somerset. A suite of easy chairs was provided and we were able to travel in 'armchair comfort.' At 6.45 p.m. we arrived in Merriott; the church bells were ringing and we were given a tremendous welcome by the Vicar and ringers from the surrounding area. Here we were joined by other members of our party before enjoying the excellent tea, provided by the wives of local ringers. At the conclusion of the tea we enjoyed a flagon of cider provided by the sexton, to whom we are most grateful! Following tea came ringing on the pleasant six at Merriott. The night was spent at a local guest house, which had once been the vicarage.

On Sunday morning the party split up to assist the local bands with service ringing at Crewkerne, Hinton St. George, Merriott and Shepton Beauchamp. Following an excellent lunch at the guest house, we moved on to Beaminster, where the heavy eight seemed a little too much for the younger members of the party after the steep climb over the hills to this, one of the most magnificent towers in Dorset. Pleasant winding lanes brought us to Netherbury, the last tower of the day, where we enjoyed the heavy six. We arrived at Bridport just in time to hear the local band lowering the bells before Evensong. Two enjoyable nights were spent at Bridport Youth Hostel, and we can thoroughly recommend the warden's home-made ice cream! The evenings finished off with handbell ringing, followed by a rousing sing-song.

TORRENTIAL RAIN

August Bank Holiday was a day of continuous rain and fortunately we were visiting towers in and around Bridport with the option of an afternoon by the sea! We had some good ringing at Bridport before going on to Symondsburys. Here we were very grateful to the Vicar's wife for providing us with tea and biscuits after our wet ride. Following ringing on the pleasant six we had lunch in the village inn before going over the hilly road to Whitchurch Canonicorum. These bells proved to be a handy octave, and an attempt at Yorkshire nearly came round! The party gradually moved back towards Bridport in torrential rain; the hardier members stopping to have a ring on the five at Chideock.

On Tuesday the weather was fine once more and the party split up and went by various

routes to Cattistock. After some excellent ringing on this fine new octave by Mears, we stopped for lunch in the pretty village of Cerne Abbas before climbing up over the hills to Buckland Newton, the next tower. After much difficulty we located the fine church at Haselbury Bryan, where we enjoyed the excellent six. A short ride brought us to Sturminster Newton (6), where the long draught seemed to suit us and we had some of the best ringing of the day. There was to have been ringing at Marnhull after supper, but this was not possible due to repairs to the tower. Instead we entertained the local Ringing Master in the nearby inn.

HEAVIEST EIGHT AND HEAVIEST SIX

The first tower on Wednesday was Sherborne Abbey, the heaviest eight in the world. Although some of us got lost on the way we all arrived in time to have a ring on this fine octave. On our way to Queen Camel we stopped at the pleasant village of Sandford Orcas for lunch. Just outside this village, much to the fright of the lady members of the party, a large grass snake crossed the road in front of us. We had some good ringing on the world's heaviest six before going along the pleasant lanes to Kingsdon. Here we found the short wide tenor of this heavy six particularly interesting. The last tower of the day was Somerton, once the county town of Somerset, with its fine church and Georgian houses. Following supper at Street Youth Hostel, the more thirsty members of the party descended the long hill into the village.

On Thursday morning we were awakened in the men's dormitory by the ringing of Grandsire Triples on handbells by four men, who were still in bed. Following breakfast we were soon at Street. A pleasant ride along the by-roads brought us to Ditchet, where we had lunch before ringing on this delightful octave. Evercreech's fine ten, hung in a beautiful tower, were enjoyed, although our ringing was not up to the high standard heard on the B.B.C.'s recording of these bells! The heaviest ring of the day was at Shepton Mallet, where we sampled the octave before going on to Croscombe for the night. After supper at the youth hostel we had a short ring on the fine six at the local church.

The warden ensured that the lady members of our party were up bright and early—by 6.30 a.m.—on the Friday following the noise they had made in their dormitory the previous night. A short ride brought us to Dinder, where the lightest six of the tour was en-

joyed by all the party. Following morning coffee at a nearby cafe, we ascended the steps to the vast ringing chamber of St. Cuthbert's, Wells, perhaps the finest and certainly one of the largest of the Somerset towers. After ringing on these fine-toned bells the party split up for the afternoon; some explored Wells; others went to Wokey Hole and the more hardy members cycled over the Mendips to try the famous bells at Chewton Mendip.

THE LANDLORD'S COMMENTS

Here we first enjoyed our sandwiches in the Waldegrave Arms after our energetic ride. The landlord inquired whether we had come from Wells and asked if we had seen the Cathedral. We mentioned that St. Cuthbert's is also a very fine church, whereupon he told us that he had passed St. Cuthbert's that morning and heard what he thought must have been a peal attempt which soon broke down! Although he didn't know that we were ringers he told us about the fine ring of bells in the local church and the many excellent visiting bands which come to ring there. Later we much enjoyed what proved to be one of the best octaves of the tour. After a pleasant ride over the Mendips and through the gorge we met the rest of the party at Cheddar, where our ringing was rather poor. Friday and Saturday nights were spent at Cheddar Youth Hostel.

On Saturday morning some of the younger members of the party stayed in Cheddar, whilst the others set off for Wrington. Here we enjoyed the heavy ten and had some of the best ringing of the tour. We arrived at Yatton just too late to ring for a wedding, but can thoroughly recommend this very fine old ring. The seventh bell dates back to 1451, and the fifth to 1622. Here we had some good ringing including Cambridge and Yorkshire Surprise Major. At nearby Congresbury we didn't find the second heaviest eight in the world easy to handle, nor did we do justice to the fine eight at Banwell. However, the glorious six at Axbridge made a fitting conclusion to the tour.

Soon after 9 a.m. on Sunday most of the party were travelling back northwards in the furniture van. We should especially like to thank the following for making the tour such a success: Mr. H. Turner, of Merriott, the Vicar and local ringers for making us so welcome; the incumbents and tower captains who gave us permission to ring at the many towers we visited; John Rank for arranging the towers; Richard Gibson for arranging accommodation at the youth hostels, and Ian Booth for arranging transport. I. N. G.

Letters to the Editor

LIFE SUBSCRIPTIONS

Dear Sir,—Disregarding the internal politics of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, which are surely a Guild matter and not one for discussion in your columns, I feel that the Guild's suggestion for the standardisation of non-resident life members' subscriptions is certainly worthy of serious consideration by the Exercise.

It seems to me that the increases recently made in these subscriptions by some Associations is another example of the tendency of non-peal ringing members to regard peal ringers as easy meat who, as a result of their enthusiasm, may be bled white to bolster an Association's shaky finances, by means of peal booking fees and/or subscriptions of the kind in question.

These non-peal ringers should bear in mind that when peal ringers from other Associations come to ring peals on 'their' bells, they ring them for the local Association as a matter of courtesy and/or to avoid the unfounded and illogical fuss which would be made by local members of the 'Grannies' Guild' if they didn't. They should also remember that, being in a voting majority, they should exercise the power thus given to them fairly and with due consideration for the interests of the peal ringing minority, who, from this point of view, are at their mercy.

Surely the high-mindedness of the main reason why such peals are rung for the local Association, i.e. that of courtesy, merits a reciprocal gesture in the setting of the consequent subscription at a purely nominal amount—5s. for example?—Yours faithfully,

ROBIN G. LEALE.

Surbiton.

HENRY PLEASANT, BELLFOUNDER, 1691-1707

Dear Sir,—The rather short duration of the Pleasant Foundry, in Sudbury, rather indicates that Henry Pleasant did not start casting bells until late in life or that he died at a very early age.

Deeds and Walters, in their 'Church Bells of Essex,' speaks of L'Estrange as quoting 'a writer in the "Norwich and Bury Post" as stating that he succeeded Miles Graye in Colchester in 1686, and that he "removed his foundry not long afterwards to Sudbury, where he carried on a considerable business between the years 1695 and 1707."'

But from where did Pleasant originate? It is more than an coincidence that the Quarter Sessions Records for Essex (Essex Record Office: Q/SR 435/50) reveal the name of a Henry Pleasant, who was brought before Q.S. Court in Chelmsford at Easter, 1677, where he was described as a 'husbandman,' but was tried for carrying on 'the trade of smith there (at Chelmsford) without having been apprenticed thereto.' Also in 1680 a Pleasant was paid 5s. at Danbury, five miles east of Chelmsford and only five miles west of Maldon, where Henry Pleasant cast four bells in 1707, for 'mending the clock.'

The trades of smith and clockmaker are somewhat allied to bell founding and by a comparison of dates (i.e., his first appearance in Chelmsford in 1677 and the founder's death in 1707) it might be possible to identify the Chelmsford Henry Pleasant with that of the Colchester and Sudbury founder.—Yours sincerely,

PETER J. CAME.

Danbury, Essex.

CLOISTER

Dear Sir,—Re Mr. Hunter, page 524. The above method has been discovered and is being rung on practice nights.

In a country district like ours it is very difficult to get enough ringers and someone to stand behind beginners, so to bridge the gap between ringing a bell and becoming a ringer (this being the time when most young ringers give up in despair).

We have been ringing the following methods in such a way that the bells are coursing in the order 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, each of the following being rung with the tenor behind.

PLAIN BOB

1234	12345	123456	1234567
2134	21354	213546	2135476
2314	23145	231456	2314567
3241	32415	324156	3241576
	34251	342516	3425167
		435261	4352617
			4536271

Instruction to Treble Ringer.—Count your places out and back to lead starting with the last bell each time.

GRANDSIRE

12345	123456	1234567
21354	213546	2135476
23145	231456	2314567
32415	324156	3241576
34251	342516	3425167
	435261	4352617
		4536271

CLOISTER

12345	1234567
21435	2143576
24153	2415367
42135	4213576
41253	4125367
14235	1423576
12453	1245367

DOUBLE LITTLE BOB

123456	12345678
214365	21436587
241635	24163857
426135	42618375
462135	46213857
641253	64128375
614523	61482735
165432	16847253
156423	18642735

Our strength on practice night is five ringers and a tenor ringer, plus the youngsters, and in this way we manage to keep as many bells as possible going.—Yours, etc.,

Downham Market.

E. H. MASTIN.

B.B.C. INTERVAL SIGNAL

Dear Sir,—I am surprised that no one has commented upon the B.B.C. interval signal in the Home Service. Shortly before Bow Bells were rung, the B.B.C. played around with the recording of these famous bells, which had been kept the same for a number of years, so that they jumped from one change to another—a thing which in reality is impossible.

If I remember correctly, the Central Council Broadcasting Committee wrote to the B.B.C. complaining about this. Now the B.B.C. have substituted a horrible noise which cannot ever be called music. If the committee have not done so, may I suggest that they write to the B.B.C. and appeal to them to provide new interval music in the re-recording of these famous bells.—Yours sincerely,

ALAN A. J. BUSWELL.

Havant, Hants.

SPliced MINOR—C.C. RULING ASKED FOR

Dear Sir,—In reply to Mr. Woodruffe's letter ('R.W.' page 492) I enclose the extents of Spliced Minor rung in recent peals for the Essex Association and containing single change methods. These have all been published before in their original form but to avoid confusion are now given as the arrangement rung.

It will be seen that in two instances methods have been rung without plain leads. Tollesbury in the 15 methods extent which has no 6th place variation is rung with a bobbed lead end and therefore has a different lead to any other method in the extent. Buxton in the 21 method extent is rung with a singled lead end and is the 2nd place companion to Rodbourne. Had the lead end been bobbed it would have been the same as a bobbed lead of Rodbourne, but as a singled lead of Rodbourne is not the same as a singled lead of Buxton, I feel they are justified in having different names.

I would, however, be grateful of a C.C. ruling on this and if necessary will withdraw the names of these methods. If so, what do I call the lead of Buxton, it isn't St. Clement's, Rodbourne or College, but it must be something.—Yours faithfully,

Danbury, Essex.

J. E. G. ROAST.

15 METHODS	25 METHODS
23456 Mendip	23456 London S.P.
—35642 Barham	—56423 London S.P.
42563 Waterford	23645 Fotheringay
26435 Kentish	45362 Kingston
63254 Mendip	62534 Campanulla
54326 Leasowe	35426 College Ex.
—42635 Berwyn	64235 Bogedone
—23564 Mendip	52364 College Ex.
64352 Middlesex	43652 Pebmarsh
52436 Berwyn	26543 Royston
36245 Berkeley	34256 Balmoral
45623 Barham	
—52364 Berwyn	—56234 Balmoral
64235 Peveril	34625 Danbury
35426 Barham	25463 Sandal
26543 Berkeley	63524 Gladstone
43652 Mendip	45236 Wilmslow
—35264 Oswald	62345 Norbury
56342 Edinburgh	53462 Norbury
64523 Tollesbury	24653 Stisted
—42356 Berwyn	36524 Penistone
56234 Pembroke	42356 Capel
34625 Melandra	
25463 Barham	—56342 Capel
63542 Mendip	42635 Chepstow
—34256 Beeston	35264 Skipton
56423 Pembroke	64523 Hemsworth
23645 Mendip	25346 Duke of Norfolk
45362 Barham	63425 Ockley
62534 Berwyn	54263 Rostherne
—23456	32654 Knutsford
	46532 York Minster
	23456
21 METHODS	
23456 Double, Cumberland, Fulbeck	
56342 Windermere, Frodsham, Frodsham	
64523 Plain, Plain, Plain	
—64235 Plain, Plain, Plain	
—64352 Plain, Plain, Plain	
45623 Canterbury, Canterbury, Ennerdale	
52436 Canterbury, Ennerdale, Canterbury	
23564 Buxton, St. Clement's, St. Clement's	
S54236 St. Clement's, Killarney, St. Clement's	
—62543 Killarney, Killarney, Killarney	
35462 Childwall, Childwall, Childwall	
43256 St. Clement's (2), Horsmonden	
24635 London, Lytham, Lytham	
56324 College, Killarney, College	
—43562 College, Rodbourne, College	
25643 D. Oxford, Thelwall, D. Oxford	
62354 Thelwall, Thelwall, D. Oxford	
36425 St. Clement's (3)	
S43362 Wavertree, Wavertree, Wavertree	
23645 Reverse, Reverse, Canterbury	
34256	

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LETTERS—Continued

DEFINITION OF REPRESENTATIVE

Dear Sir,—I see I am attacked, in rather strong terms, by a Mr. Birmingham for a remark made at the Cardiff Central Council meeting.

What I was attempting to state by this remark was what I believe to be the position of members of the Central Council, and I shall be most interested to know whether my interpretation is that of the majority—and therefore the correct view?—or whether I am perhaps too hopeful for my fellow members.

The terms 'representative' and 'delegate,' which I used to convey my meaning, do not, it seems, adequately define the differences between two classes of people which I was trying to make clear, and I am sorry for any misunderstanding. Let me give the words the meaning I wished them to convey:

Representative: one who is elected to represent a body of people; a typical member of such a body; one who may be expected to react in a similar way to all of them (but not necessarily in exactly the same way as any one of them, or even a majority); one who can be trusted to act on his own initiative in any situation which may concern the body he represents and to take such action as he considers correct for the good of that body.

Delegate: one who is deputed or sent by a body of people to carry out the wishes of the majority of such a body; one who is instructed to take specific action in specific circumstances but who may not, without the authority of those who delegate him, alter such a course of action, nor take any decision on which he has not been instructed.

I submit that, if the words 'representative' and 'delegate' may be taken to bear the meanings I have given them, then members of the Central Council are, as I suggested at Cardiff, representatives and not delegates. If it were otherwise, the members should submit the Central Council agenda to their Association's committee and receive instruction on their course of action before the meeting—and how many do or would be willing to do this? Imagine the confusion were it necessary for a Member of Parliament to take a vote of his constituents before voting on any motion in the House, or the unfairness which might result should he have to take orders from his constituency party committee.

It is the Associations as a whole, at their annual general meetings, who elect their members of the Central Council in the hope that such members will represent them fairly for the next three years. If they do not feel satisfied, their correct course of action is not to re-elect that member at the end of his triennial period—but I feel it is not in the least in accordance with the traditions of the Central Council or the good of the Exercise in general that representatives—as I believe we are—should be told to propose motions which they cannot personally support.—Yours faithfully,

BRIAN D. THRELFALL.

Harston, Cambridge.

A WEEK OF MAXIMUS RINGING

BORN in the mind of one who is often accused of having peculiar ideas, and organised by one whose youthful promise is certainly being fulfilled, the Maximus Week proved to be a severe test for anyone whose ambitions run in that direction.

Early in February John Worth's illness was a severe blow and his absence from the scene of activities robbed it of a wise councillor and a safe conductor. In all, eight towers were required and for this number 19 were applied for; 12 full time ringers were wanted; 34 were asked, and the mileage covered totalled 1,100.

A.G.M. acquired for us a Dormobile, with seats for 13 and a driver to steer it through the maze of ways which we covered.

In the penultimate week, prior to the start of 'Operation Maximus,' we were still one tower short, but the clan of Hemming generously gave us Evesham for Friday, August 17th, and then on the eve of the beginning of the tour Leslie Clark obtained permission for us to ring at Chelmsford.

Evesham (being nearer home for most of us) was postponed for a later date. Southwark Cathedral was our first tower and the Provost created a precedent by allowing the ringing to start at 3 p.m. and continue through the evening service. This heavy ring gave some of the band a difficult time to get the beat, but at last a reasonable rhythm resulted and a fairly good peal was brought round in 4 hours 5 minutes, Bob turning in his heaviest tenor without any worries.

HEADQUARTERS AT WYCOMBE

A brief rest was enjoyed with some of London's famous ringers and we joined our vehicle, which our driver, Leslie, had guarded during the ringing. High Wycombe was reached in good time and our home for the week, the Falcon Hotel, was soon located, and rooms allotted. After a wash and brush up, a welcome meal and time for a chat, and making acquaintance with one another over 'that which cheers,' bed claimed us all.

Sunday dawned rather gloomy for our early start on the long journey to Birchington and Quex Park, picking up en route Herbert Audeley. Good progress was made through Rochester, that nightmare of week-end motorists. Topsy's lunch basket would have done justice to royalty.

After some wandering, the tower was found and the key having been fetched, the bells were got ready, but after 30 minutes' ringing the 11th rope gave concern and 'Stand' was called. Repairs were carried out and a second start was made, but it was not to be; the 11th rope parted just five leads from the end of the peal. This was very disappointing for our single-handed tenor man, who was almost there with two Maximus peals on the tenor.

Unfortunately that was not the end of our misfortunes. With only a few miles of our return journey accomplished, the 'Dorm's' fan belt gave up and that meant a long delay in affecting repairs. However, most of the party found a place in which they were quite happy, and at length we were on our way again arriving at High Wycombe at the early hour of 2 a.m.

The venue for Monday was Oxford Christ Church, where we found Christopher Johnson waiting to receive and conduct us to the tower and make up our band, fitting in with us as to the manner born and finding time to spend a brief spell with us afterwards, which we all appreciated.

TENOR KING II

Tuesday brought us the long journey to Christchurch Priory, which enabled many of the party to enjoy the magnificent Norman work in this building. Here we were joined by Ralph Edwards, an old friend, who, a few years ago, was a regular member of the annual tour. He duly obliged by pushing 'Ye Greate Bell' around with effortless ease, thus justifying the title of 'Tenor King II' or do we argue about that? New Cambridge resulted in a creditable manner and a pleasant interval was enjoyed by all.

Wednesday's tower was our nearest, being opposite the hotel, and being early closing day we were able to start soon after 1 p.m., and with John Anderson giving a steady beat we came round in 3 hours 52 minutes. This was our easiest day in the week.

For Thursday, Reading was our venue and here we found the easiest ringing of the week; our single-handed man rang the 11th with ease.

Friday saw us on our way to Chelmsford, by a somewhat devious but pleasant route, and we arrived in time for a quiet cup and a cooked meal, which made a good going off course (though one member had two going off courses). We would like to know how many coming round courses he would want! For most of the band this was a new tower, housing one of the few Warner 12's. The going was good and the bells certainly voice their weight. Don Kenneth shunted the back bells about in the going off and brought our changes down to 5,040, which helped us to finish circa 9.30 p.m.

Our last tower was St. Peter's, Wolverhampton, where, on the pleasant Gillett and Johnston 12, we comfortably brought round Yorkshire in 3½ hours, leaving the northern members comfortable time to catch their train.

The arranging of a Maximus week gave our organiser a few headaches. Except in a few instances, 12-bell towers are impossible to get in the morning, which means that the early closing day must be used or a 5.30 p.m. start, which is 6 p.m. into changes. However, a first Maximus week has now been achieved and others will certainly follow.

Our methods did not touch the 'dizzy heights,' but, by the middle of the week, we had welded together a good band, with a beat that was maintained and by having one attempt a day, we kept our band fresh and vigorous. Our gratitude to one, who shall be nameless, meant the whole possibility of the enterprise, but all were determined that this should be a unity of minds as well as matter. The thanks of all the band are extended to clergy and tower captains who gave permission for the attempts to take place.

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ERIN CATERS

By EDGAR C. SHEPHERD

THE principle known as Erin consists of a succession of Stedman slow sixes. Its origin is not easy to trace, but the name was in use before the first peal was rung in 1909. At the Central Council Meeting of that year H. Law James was busily engaged in trying to persuade the Exercise that Erin was the true form of Stedman, a belief that he contended vigorously all his life. At the same time, on June 15th, 1909, William Barber conducted the first peal in the method, 5,040 of Triples at Gateshead. A month later, on July 12th, the same conductor called the first peal of Caters, a 5,076, at North Shields. The first peals of Cinques were accomplished by St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham. On September 23rd, 1911, J. E. Groves conducted 5,063 at Wolverhampton, and on March 20th, 1921, he called the same peal on handbells in Birmingham.

The production of a six-score of Erin Doubles by a normal use of the Stedman single has not been achieved, but clever extents have been provided by C. K. Lewis and T. B. Worsley by the use of a special bob. In addition, Mr. James Topp produced some ingenious extents in which certain sixes contained three singles.

With a shortened slow work and no quick sixes the course of Erin is half the length of a Stedman course, and in Caters the course end comes up every 54 changes. Musically this is very desirable, but in peal ringing the absence of the variety provided by quick and slow sixes gives rise to a certain monotony, so that the method may perhaps be said to offer the best entertainment when rung on handbells.

Be this as it may (and opinions will always vary according to taste) there can be no doubt that for the provision of musical touches for Sunday service ringing Erin is in the front rank. The bells can be placed in a musical position very quickly, the course ends come up very smartly, and the bells can be brought home with comparative ease. The result is that a large variety of touches of various lengths is at the conductor's disposal.

It is the main object of this short essay to introduce some suitable touches and to indicate the general principles on which many others may be built.

Before proceeding to the provision of touches we propose to investigate briefly the means whereby the heavy bells are moved into the usual musical positions, the callings that will maintain the heavy bells in these positions, and the plans by which the bells may be turned or brought home. These three important considerations come under the following headings:—

1. Opening Courses.
2. The Transposition Table.
3. Turning or Homing Courses.

Example 1.

123456789

—241637589
—462718395
—674829153
—786945231
—897562431
—958273614
—529381746
—235194867
—312456978

Example 2.

123456789

—241637589
—462718395
—674829153
—786945231
—897563412
—958371624
—539182746
—S15297864
—123758964
—271839564
—782916345
—897624153
—968475231
—649583712
—456391827
—534162978

Example 3.

123456789

—241638597
—462819375
—684923175
—896341275
—938162475
—319284675
—S123496857
—241635978

1. *Opening Courses.* Of these there is a vast variety, but virtually all of them may be comprehended in the three fundamentals given here and labelled Examples 1, 2 and 3. Ex. 1 is the simplest. It consists of bobs at 1 and 5. Indeed the bob at 1 is enough to send the bells into the Tittums, but for practical purposes another call (or calls) will be needed in the course. These calls may be either bobs or singles, and they may (as will readily be seen) be called at 4, 5, 6 or 7.

Example 2 is based on Ex. 1, and is a curious specimen of two courses sandwiched into one. The bob at 1 is followed by calls at 8, 9 and 10, and these calls have the effect of turning back the heavy bells and preventing them from going behind. The single and the succeeding bobs keep the 6th in eighth place until the heavy bells return from their short visit to the front and we are able to produce a course end with the 6th in its best position. This fundamental calling may be taken as a standard pattern for the opening of innumerable touches for, as will be seen, calls may be added at 4, 5, 6, 12, 13 and 14, and these calls may be bobs or singles. As a specimen it may be noted that by adding bobs at 12, 13, 14 to the course shown the course end 123465978 may be secured immediately. By the use of added bobs and the exploitation of singles the composer will find a great array of opening courses, enough indeed to satisfy any plans he has in mind.

Example 3 is a quaint piece of work. It produces a Tittum course end in 8 sixes, 48 changes. It is useful for constructing short touches, but if it is used the composer must take care in bringing the bells round at handstroke or falseness may occur.

We may turn now to our second consideration.

2. *Transposition Table.* The following Table gives 14 callings that leave the three back bells undisturbed.

123456	4	5	6	7
325416	—	—	—	—
532416	—	—	—	—
452316	—	—	—	—
462513	—	—	—	—
435216	—	—	—	—
465312	—	—	—	—
365214	—	—	—	—
312456	—	—	—	—
432156	—	—	—	—
462351	—	—	—	—
362154	—	—	—	—
413256	—	—	—	—
463152	—	—	—	—
163254	—	—	—	—

Two special points only need be mentioned here.

The Table refers to the effects produced by bobs. It may be varied by the introduction of singles, and by this means a very large number of callings will become available. One very useful calling is 5s. 6 (giving a transposition 412356); this calling will be found in some of the touches to be given later.

The other point is important. It will be noted that the Table gives the isolated calls at 4, 5, 6 and 7. Owing to the peculiar nature of Erin it is necessary to have at least two bobs within the space of a course; this matter will be explained in due time. Meanwhile the conductor should note that the isolated bobs will not be of much practical use on the construction of touches. They have been inserted here, nevertheless, to complete the survey of the effect of bobs, and with a view to their possible use in pricking by natural course ends.

We come now to getting the bells turned or brought home.

3. *Turning or Homing Courses.* Example 4 shows how the bells can be brought into rounds in 48 changes, and in quite a musical way. It is very limited in its application, and can bring the bells into rounds only from the rows 315264978, 125364978 and 235164978. In the first case rounds will come at backstroke at the end of a full six; in the second case at the second row of a six; and in the third case it will come round at the fourth row of a six. Despite the rigidity of this course it will be found that a great variety of touches can be constructed with this homing course. Some of these will be demonstrated later.

Example 5 (as with opening course 2) may be said to comprise a basic plan, to which bobs and singles may be added to suit a particular purpose. It consists really of two courses, the first ending in 7968, from which an immediate single throws the bells at once into the Handstoke Home position. The skeleton form of the device is shown here as running from 123465978 to 123465879, but obviously it may be employed to turn the bells from any Tittum row (or, indeed) to turn the bells back from Handstoke to Tittums. With calls added it will be found among the touches we shall give.

These opening and turning courses have been set out at some length because it is believed that a short study of their construction will tend to reduce the apparent complexity of the opening and turning courses necessary for the making of musical touches, and so will simplify the work of the conductor both in calling and in the fascinating task of composing.

TOUCHES OF ERIN CATERS

The series begins with seven touches coming round at backstroke. In the first five the opening course is 3 4 5 6 7s. In Nos. 6 and 7 the opening course is as given.

All these seven touches come round by 1 3s 4 5 6 7.

1. 254
123456789

241635978
613425 4 6
352164 4 7
125364 5 6

2. 258
123456789

241635978
624135 5s 6
152364 4 5 6 7
315264 5s 6

3. 312
123456789

241635978
654321 4 5 6 7
312465 4 6 7
251364 5 7
315264 5 6

4. 308
123456789

241635978
634125 4 5 6
123465 4 5 6
352164 5 7
125364 5 6

(To be continued)

MR. FREDERICK G. LEAKER

Many ringers and friends of the Exercise will be sorry to learn of the passing of Mr. F. G. Leaker on August 7th, aged 82. Fred, as he was known to so many, had lived a very varied and full life, serving the Church not only as a ringer but in other capacities as well. He was a vice-president of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association, and his connections with the Association were highlighted by his efforts with the School of Ringing held at St. John's Church in Bristol, and many younger ringers of today appreciate to the full the guidance which he had given them through his teaching.

Learning to ring at the age of 15, his earlier associations were mainly devoted to the Church of St. Thomas, Bristol, where he not only had been tower captain and steeple keeper but for a number of years was churchwarden and closely associated with the activities within the church.

In 1950, when it was suggested that a Guild should be formed at St. Mary Redcliffe, he volunteered his services in this connection, the St. Thomas' Guild now having become extinct. For the past twelve years he had been in most regular attendance at all the Guild activities and has held the offices of Ringing Master and steeple keeper.

Fred was a College Youth and always took a very keen interest in the Society's activities and nothing gave him greater pleasure than when he was able to greet other members in his tower.

The number of peals he rang is unknown, but there were many notable performances. His peals had been rung on 6, 8, 10 and 12 bells and included ringing at the death of Queen Victoria and for the coronations of King George V, King George VI and our present Queen Elizabeth.

The funeral took place on August 10, the service being held at St. Mary Redcliffe

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Church, when a large gathering of ringers and friends paid tribute to one so dear to them. The service was conducted by the Rev. Canon R. F. Cartwright, Vicar of St. Mary Redcliffe. In the evening a half-muffled peal of Grand-sire Cinques was rung to his memory.

In paying a personal tribute, I found Fred was a character in whom one found admirable qualities when closely associated with his activities. His quiet disposition and gentlemanly manner has meant much to me since taking up the office of Ringing Master, which he vacated four years ago. The familiar figure found at headquarters with the famous 'Arry, 'Arry' greeting will be missed but not forgotten.

We thank God for his life and example, and pray that he has found peace.

E. F. H.

AN APPRECIATION

I would like to add my tribute to the memory of my old friend, Fred Leaker, of Bristol. He was a very old friend of the family and I must have known him for something over half a century.

Although his name, latterly, has been associated more with the ringing at St. Mary Redcliffe, when I first knew him and up to the time when I left Bristol in 1924, it was St. Thomas' (city) which he attended regularly and at which he rang. He eventually became a churchwarden of this church.

During that period and, I think, well into the 30's, Fred lived within a stone's throw of St. Thomas' Church at the Brighton Restaurant, well known to ringers of the period as was his wife, Nell, who ran it.

I regard Fred Leaker as the last of the old Bristol ringers whom I knew so well when I lived in Bristol.

Fred was not a prolific peal ringer and I rang only two peals with him, and these almost in the same week. The first was quite a memorable one for those who took part—Holt's Ten-Part Grandsire Triples, non-conducted, at St. Mary-le-Port, Bristol, on Friday, January 28th, 1921. The other, the following Saturday week was at Wrington and was conducted by that old stalwart Joe Dyke.

Fred Leaker was what I would describe as a very sociable ringer; he had little time for the petty squabbles which, alas, were all too prevalent, and he expressed his contempt in a characteristic manner, which all who knew him will remember.

Bristol will never be quite the same without him.
P. W. CAVE.

DR. CEDRIC N. VAISEY

We regret to announce the death, as a result of a motor car accident, of Dr. Cedric N. Vaisey, of Freshford, near Bath, on August 18th.

For over 30 years Dr. Vaisey had been the local doctor, a regular ringer at the Parish Church and a member of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.

When he first came to Freshford there were only four bells in the tower. Immediately he set to work to raise the money to complete a peal. A new light treble was added to commemorate the silver jubilee of King George V.

As soon as the fifth bell was in place he set to work, to get a peal rung. The first peal was rung in 1936; and a second in 1938, in which he rang the new treble.

On Sunday, August 19th, the bells were rung half-muffled in his memory, and a quarter peal will be rung after the funeral.
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The enthronement of the new Bishop of Sheffield on September 15th is to be marked by the ringing of bells from every belfry in the diocese, where possible. Their message will be: "Prosperity to the Church, common love of good to all her members, and eternal glory to God's Holy Name."

Enquiries are afoot to provide a ring of ten bells at the Cathedral in Kimberly, Cape Province, Republic of South Africa.

Mr. Robin G. Leale's tour of Scotland was highly successful, with ten peals from ten attempts.

There are certain things that should not be done in ringing. One that came to our notice this week was a quarter peal rung for a wedding and also for the passing of an old ringer. It doesn't make sense.

In a quarter peal at Cardigan on August 19th, three generations of the Jenkins' family, well-known Tenby ringers, were represented. Mr. H. Jenkins, the senior member, called, and on the treble was C. Jenkins, aged 12.

The Boys' Brigade Council will meet in Dublin from August 29th to September 2nd. Any change ringers in the party are asked to contact Mr. Fred E. Dukes, Meadow Cottage, Julianstown, Co. Meath.

We hear that Dorothy and Arthur Beamish, of Nuneaton, and Percy Stone made a big hit with their handbell tune ringing at Butlin's Ocean Hotel, Saldean, Brighton. We have received a very jolly picture of the trio.

Sympathy is expressed to A. Durfee, who lost his second attempt for his first peal before returning to America at the end of the month. He has, however, a consolation in a quarter of Kent T.B. Minor rung at Caxton, Cambs, on August 15th.

St. Laurence Doubles makes its appearance. According to Mr. P. A. Amos it was discovered by the use of an Antelope single, as was St. David's Doubles a short time ago. Others of the same family are SS. Mary, Jude, Crispin, Barnabas, Policarp, James and Perpetua.

BELFRY GOSSIP

Mr. B. J. Couzens, of Saffron Walden, Essex, is going to Stellenbosch, near Cape Town, for about four months. En route now is Mr. R. H. Strickley, of Sea Point, Cape Province. The advent of these two should improve ringing at St. Mary's, Woodstock.

In a peal of Grandsire Doubles at Pucklechurch, Glos, the conducting was shared by the ringers of the working bells.

The first peal of Glasgow Surprise Major in Suffolk was rung at Grundisburgh on August 15th, and a well-struck peal it was, too.

The name of the conductor's sister, for whom the peal of Bob Major was rung at Ashford on August 6th, was Miss Rowena M. Davies, and not as printed.

Through indisposition, both Messrs. Frank Hansford and Emlyn F. Hancock could not take part in the half-muffled peal of Grandsire Cinques at St. Mary Redcliffe, to the memory of their close friend, Frederick G. Leaker.

A young North London policeman returning to his means of transport after visiting a South London tower's ringing practice was stopped by two detectives and asked where and what he had been doing. What a surprise on their faces after showing them his own warrant card!

Having A. P. C. nicely out of the way on the tenor, the peal of Stedman Triples at Ashted on August 18th looked as safe as any peal in this method can, writes the conductor. But after it was over the conductor got a shock—it was the first of Stedman for Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, and the first attempt for a peal by No. 6. They all rang well.

For about 30 years the bells of Halling, Kent, have been silent; but on Sunday, July 22nd, the newly-formed band of local ringers rang their first quarter peal to welcome the visit of the Assistant Bishop of Rochester (Bishop Mann) at Evensong. The ringers are mostly young and very keen, and are looking forward to their next attempt which will probably be at the harvest festival.

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BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. Treble	ARTHUR G. MASON 7
FREDERICK E. WILSHAW .. 2	JOHN M. JELLEY 8
JOHN ROBINSON 3	A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. 9
BASIL JONES 4	JOHN A. ANDERSON .. 10
C. KENNETH LEWIS 5	*EDWARD JENKINS .. 11
LESLIE W. G. MORRIS .. 6	ROBERT B. SMITH .. Tenor

Conducted by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

* 1,100th peal.

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JOHN A. ANDERSON .. Treble	ARTHUR G. MASON 7
FREDERICK E. WILSHAW .. 2	JOHN ROBINSON 8
BASIL JONES 3	A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. 9
*LESLIE W. G. MORRIS .. 4	CHRISTOPHER M. P. JOHNSON 10
C. KENNETH LEWIS 5	ROBERT B. SMITH 11
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ROBERT B. SMITH .. Treble	ARTHUR G. MASON 7
C. KENNETH LEWIS 2	LESLIE W. G. MORRIS .. 8
JOHN ROBINSON 3	A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. 9
BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 4	JOHN A. ANDERSON .. 10
BASIL JONES 5	EDWARD JENKINS .. 11
FREDERICK E. WILSHAW .. 6	RALPH G. EDWARDS .. Tenor

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On Wed., Aug. 15, 1962, in 3 Hours and 52 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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Tenor 30 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. in C sharp.

JOHN ROBINSON .. Treble	ARTHUR G. MASON 7
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 2	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 8
C. KENNETH LEWIS 3	BASIL JONES 9
ROBERT B. SMITH 4	EDWARD JENKINS .. 10
FREDERICK E. WILSHAW .. 5	A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. 11
LESLIE W. G. MORRIS .. 6	JOHN A. ANDERSON .. Tenor

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READING, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Aug. 16, 1962, in 3 Hours and 35 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,

A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 23 cwt. 20 lb. in D.

EDWARD JENKINS .. Treble	ARTHUR G. MASON 7
JOHN ROBINSON 2	JOHN A. ANDERSON .. 8
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 9
C. KENNETH LEWIS 4	A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. 10
FREDERICK E. WILSHAW .. 5	BASIL JONES 11
*LESLIE W. G. MORRIS .. 6	ROBERT B. SMITH .. Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH.

Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.

* 150th 12-bell peal.

CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Aug. 17, 1962, in 3 Hours and 39 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF SS. MARY-THE-VIRGIN, PETER AND CEDD.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 34 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in C sharp.

*ROBERT B. SMITH .. Treble	ARTHUR G. MASON 7
JOHN ROBINSON 2	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 8
BASIL JONES 3	A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. 9
C. KENNETH LEWIS 4	JOHN A. ANDERSON .. 10
FREDERICK E. WILSHAW .. 5	EDWARD P. DUFFIELD .. 11
LESLIE W. G. MORRIS .. 6	EDWARD JENKINS .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

* 50th peal of Surprise Maximus.

WOLVERHAMPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Sat., Aug. 18, 1962, in 3 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 33 cwt. 21 lb. in C sharp.

JOHN ROBINSON .. Tenor	ARTHUR G. MASON 7
EDWARD JENKINS 2	LESLIE W. G. MORRIS .. 8
C. KENNETH LEWIS 3	PATRICK I. CHAPMAN .. 9
BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 4	ROBERT B. SMITH .. 10
FREDERICK E. WILSHAW .. 5	A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. 11
BASIL JONES 6	JOHN A. ANDERSON .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by LESLIE W. G. MORRIS.

**THE SOCIETY OF FRIENDS OF THE EXERCISE
PEAL TOUR**

LYME REGIS, DORSET.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Aug. 13, 1962, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF 5152 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb. in G.

CYRIL SAVAGE .. Treble	MARTIN PRESS 5
LESLEY J. BLADON 2	RICHARD J. BOWDEN .. 6
D. JOHN HUNT 3	FRANK D. MACK 7
ELISABETH A. G. BOWDEN 4	BRIAN BLADON Tenor

Composed by E. PYE.

Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

THE REMAINDER OF THE PEALS WERE RUNG FOR
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

UFFCULME, DEVON.

On Mon., Aug. 13, 1962, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb. in E flat.

JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD .. Treble	FRANK D. MACK 5
FRANCES FAIRBANK 2	RICHARD J. BOWDEN .. 6
ELISABETH A. G. BOWDEN 3	D. JOHN HUNT 7
MARTIN PRESS 4	BRIAN BLADON Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by BRIAN BLADON.

SILVERTON, DEVON.

On Tues., Aug. 14, 1962, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 11 lb. in F.

FRANK D. MACK .. Treble	BRIAN BLADON 5
FRANCES FAIRBANK 2	RICHARD J. BOWDEN .. 6
JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD .. 3	ROYSTON BLACKLER .. 7
ELISABETH A. G. BOWDEN 4	D. JOHN HUNT Tenor

Composed by N. SMITH.

Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

First peal on the bells since their augmentation to eight in 1937.

COLYTON, DEVON.

On Wed., Aug. 15, 1962, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents.

Tenor 24 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb. in D.

MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. Treble	D. JOHN HUNT 4
ELISABETH A. G. BOWDEN 2	BRIAN BLADON 5
MARTIN PRESS 3	FRANK D. MACK Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN BLADON.

First peal on the bells.

EAST BUDLEIGH, DEVON.

On Thurs., Aug. 16, 1962, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 9 cwt. in A.

LESLEY J. BLADON .. Treble	BRIAN BLADON 5
ELISABETH A. G. BOWDEN 2	RICHARD J. BOWDEN .. 6
CYRIL SAVAGE 3	D. JOHN HUNT 7
FRANK D. MACK 4	FREDERICK SNOW Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD.

Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

First peal on the bells since their augmentation to eight in June, 1962.

EAST BUDLEIGH, DEVON.

On Sat., Aug. 18, 1962, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. in A.

CYRIL SAVAGE .. Treble	MARTIN PRESS 5
ELISABETH A. G. BOWDEN 2	NORMAN S. BAGWORTH .. 6
ALAN BAGWORTH 3	JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD .. 7
RICHARD J. BOWDEN .. 4	MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by MICHAEL J. THOMAS.

First peal of Major on the bells.

Rung as a golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. Maddocks.
Mr. Maddocks was a ringer at this tower for many years.

TEN BELL PEAL

APPLETON, BERKSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Aug. 18, 1962, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Laurence,

A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in E.

NORMAN H. LESLIE Treble	FREDERICK SHARPE 6
EDWIN DREWITT 2	DENNIS LESLIE 7
BRIAN R. WHITE 3	FREDERICK C. WHITE 8
JOHN H. NAPPER 4	FRANCIS A. WHITE 9
DAVID C. WOODWARD 5	HARRY WHITE Tenor

Rung as a 60th birthday compliment to William R. White.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
On Mon., July 23, 1962, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
At the Bell Foundry Campanile,

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

*RUPERT A. CLARKE .. Treble	RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. 5
†GARY W. MASON 2	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. 6
‡MALCOLM BARSBY 3	A. MAXWELL LINDSEY .. 7
JOSEPH W. COTTON 4	A. JAMES POYNOR Tenor

Conducted by A. JAMES POYNOR.

* First peal of Major. † First of Surprise Major.

EARDISLAND, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Aug. 2, 1962, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

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

AUSTIN T. WINGATE .. Treble	§PHILIP G. MORGAN .. 5
JACQUELINE S. KING .. 2	§WILLIAM E. THOMPSETT .. 6
*†COLIN SMITH 3	DAVID J. KING 7
*GEORGE T. COUSINS .. 4	WILFRID F. MORETON .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.

* First peal of Surprise Major. † 25th peal. § 75th peal. § 50th for the Guild.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Aug. 2, 1962, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

A PEAL OF 5152 ULESTHORPE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb. in G.

CAROLYN VIBERT Treble	R. ROGER SAVORY 5
TOM CHAPMAN 2	DAVID E. HOUSE 6
ROBERT C. KIPPIN 3	MICHAEL J. THOMAS 7
DEREK C. JACKSON 4	DAVID J. FORDER Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by R. ROGER SAVORY.

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

Rung as a welcome to Pauline Sara, second daughter of Norman and Molly Hayes, born July 31st, 1962.

LLANFEIGAN, BRECONSHIRE.
THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Aug. 6, 1962, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
At the Church of St. Meugan,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part. .. Tenor 12 cwt. 19 lb.	
TREVOR M. RODERICK .. Treble	J. ARTHUR HOARE 5
HARRY BOYCE 2	EDMUND J. MORRIS 6
ALFRED HANNINGTON .. 3	GWYN I. LEWIS 7
ROY THROSBY 4	JOHN T. WILLIAMS Tenor

Conducted by GWYN I. LEWIS.

FRINDSBURY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Aug. 10, 1962, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 4 lb. in F.

DAVID K. PUTNAM Treble	THOMAS E. SONE 5
REGINALD E. LAMBERT .. 2	ERNEST J. LADD 6
MONTY W. GILBERT 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 7
ROBERT T. LAMBERT 4	MARTIN L. HOWE Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by BERNARD GROVES.

BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Aug. 11, 1962, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
At the Cathedral Church of the Holy and Undivided Trinity,

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Dexter's No. 2 variation of Thurstans'. .. Tenor 21 cwt. in E flat.	
ERIC J. HITCHINS Treble	REGINALD G. HOOPER .. 5
FRYNNLEY A. SHACKLETON .. 2	ALBERT M. TYLER 6
FRANCIS C. MOGFORD 3	D. JOHN HUNT 7
GILLIAN M. HUSSEY 4	FRANK R. HUSSEY Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT M. TYLER.

First peal of Stedman Triples as conductor.

Rung half-muffled to the respected memory of Frederick G. Leaker.

DEDDINGTON, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 11, 1962, in 3 Hours,

At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF 5024 MINSMERE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 10 lb. in E.

ERIC EDMONDSON Treble	PETER D. BEEDIE 5
*G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 2	*JOHN R. MAYNE 6
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 3	JACK S. DEAR 7
JOHN HILL 4	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. Tenor

Composed by ERNEST W. TIPLER.

Conducted by G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY.

* 648th peal. First in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Guild.

KIRTLINGTON, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 11, 1962, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF 5056 LEICESTERSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

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

J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. Treble	JACK S. DEAR 5
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 2	*G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 6
PETER D. BEEDIE 3	JOHN HILL 7
ERIC EDMONDSON 4	*JOHN R. MAYNE Tenor

Composed by RICHARD F. B. SPEED. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

* 647th peal. First in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Guild.

LONDON, E.C.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Sat., Aug. 11, 1962, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew, Holborn,

A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb.

JOHN PHILLIPS Treble	ANDREW N. STUBBS 5
DAVID T. DARBY 2	BRIAN DOWNES 6
BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE 3	JAMES G. A. PRIOR 7
JOHN ARMSTRONG 4	WILFRED WILLIAMS Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

First peal of Surprise on the bells.

SHERBORNE, DORSET.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 11, 1962, in 4 Hours and 5 Minutes,

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

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 46 cwt. 5 lb. in B flat.

RONALD N. MARLOW .. Treble	MAURICE J. BUTLER 5
*DAVID E. HOUSE 2	ALAN CARVETH 6
RAYMOND HAINES 3	LEWIS F. COBB 7
MICHAEL J. THOMAS 4	ROBERT C. KIPPIN Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

* 50th peal.

SWANSEA, GLAMORGAN.

THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 11, 1962, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 20 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb.

ROBERT E. COLES Treble	DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. 5
JACQUELINE S. KING 2	AUSTIN T. WINGATE 6
DONALD G. CLIFT 3	CYRIL A. WRATTEN 7
DAVID J. KING 4	WILFRID F. MORETON .. Tenor

Composed by W. E. CRITCHLEY. Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.

TOTTENHAM, N.15.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Sat., Aug. 11, 1962, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Anne, Stamford Hill,

A PEAL OF 5168 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. in A.

*NEVILLE A. CRANE .. Treble	WILLIAM A. HUGHES .. 5
WILLIAM A. THEOBALD .. 2	HENRY G. WEEDON 6
ARTHUR F. LEWRY 3	ERNEST J. ROWE 7
DENNIS H. L. LANGDON .. 4	TREVOR N. J. BAILEY .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR F. LEWRY. Conducted by TREVOR N. J. BAILEY.

* First peal.

Rung by members of the staff of the Whitechapel Bell Foundry.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., Aug. 12, 1962, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Nicolas,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb. in G.

ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. Treble	*MARY E. WHITE 5
MICHAEL J. THOMAS 2	BRIAN J. WYLDE 6
*CAROLYN VIBERT 3	DAVID J. FORDER 7
†DEREK J. WHITE 4	DAVID E. HOUSE Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by DAVID J. FORDER.

* First peal of Cambridge. † First of Surprise. ‡ First of Surprise 'inside.'

Rung to celebrate the marriage of Miss Bridget Forder (sister of the conductor) to Mr. John Stisted, which took place in this church the previous day.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Aug. 13, 1962, in 2 Hours and 4 Minutes.

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part (7th obs.).		Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb.	
*RUPERT A. CLARKE... .. Treble	A. JAMES POYNOR 5	KEITH H. MILDRED 6	
RICHARD J. CLIFTON 2		DEREK P. JONES... .. 7	
B. SIEDMAN PAYNE... .. 3	DAVID EAMES Tenor		
BRIAN G. WARWICK... .. 4			

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

* First peal of Triples.

A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Winkless (Kirby Muxloe) on the birth of a son, nephew to A. J. Poyner.

OXFORD.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Aug. 13, 1962, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EBBE.

A PEAL OF 5056 SOUTHWELL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 4 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

*PETER J. HERITAGE... .. Treble	CHARLES COLES 5	*PETER G. BELLAMY-KNIGHTS .. 6	
*EDMUND E. PEARSON 2	*EDWARD R. VENN 7	ALAN R. PINK Tenor	
*CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. 3			
*JOHN S. WALTON 4			

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

* First peal in the method.

FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

MORETON-ON-LUGG, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., July 31, 1962, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.		Tenor 7½ cwt.	
ROBERT HATCHER Treble	PHILIP G. MORGAN 4	AUSTIN T. WINGATE... .. 5	
COLIN SMITH 2	WILFRID F. MORETON .. Tenor		
GEORGE T. COUSINS... .. 3			

Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.

Believed to be the first peal of Minor on the bells.

BROADWAS-ON-TEME, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Aug. 1, 1961, in 2 Hours and 18½ Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 14 variations, being three extents each of Dedworth, Wychbold, Norfolk, Broadwas, Old. St. Columb, Wollaston, Oldswinford, Clif-ford's Pleasure, April Day, Kennington, Plain Bob, Southrepps and Reverse Canterbury.		Tenor 4½ cwt. in D flat.	
*CHRISTOPHER WOOLDRIDGE Treble	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. 3	*JAMES E. PULLON 4	
†PAUL CATTERMOLLE 2	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. Tenor		

Conducted by PAUL CATTERMOLLE.

* First peal in 14 variations. † 50th for the Association.

A wedding compliment to Hugh Makins and Josette Pearsall.

DROITWICH SPA, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Aug. 2, 1962, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER-DE-WITTON.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being extents in seven variations.		Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.	
*SYLVIA CATER Treble	JOHN WHITTALL 4	†FREDERICK C. PUGH 5	
WALTER H. RAXIER... .. 2	PAUL CATTERMOLLE Tenor		
†MARTIN POWELL 3			

Conducted by PAUL CATTERMOLLE.

* First peal. † First of Minor and of Plain Bob. ‡ 25th for the Association. Ringer of second has 'circled the tower' to peals.

POTTON, BEDFORDSHIRE.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Aug. 6, 1962, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents (six callings), with 5-6 the right way throughout.		Tenor 8 cwt.	
DAVID SAUNDERSON .. Treble	KEVIN BARNES 4	MARTIN MAJOR 5	
*FRANCES SIMPSON 2	ALEX SIMPSON Tenor		
ANTHONY H. SMITH 3			

Conducted by ALEX SIMPSON.

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

LEADENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 4, 1962, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHUN,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being the following extents: Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Double Oxford, Single Oxford, Single Court and Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt. 9 lb. in F.	
AMOS INGALL Treble	WALTER S. SMITH 4
ANGUS G. DIXON 2	RONALD APPLEWHITE .. 5
PETER A. SHARP 3	LOUIS WILLDERS Tenor

Conducted by LOUIS WILLDERS.

Rung to welcome the Rev. Dr. J. I. Brice, who was inducted to the living of Leadenham on July 28th; also to celebrate the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. L. Gadsby, who were married at the above church on August 12th, 1912.

CLODOCH, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Aug. 6, 1962, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLYDOG,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.		Tenor 10 cwt.	
GEORGE WARD Treble	DONALD G. CLIFT 4	GEORGE COUSINS 5	
JACQUELINE S. KING... .. 2	DAVID J. KING Tenor		
TUDOR P. EDWARDS 3			

Conducted by

DAVID J. KING (four extents) and TUDOR P. EDWARDS (three extents).

WHITCHURCH, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Aug. 9, 1962, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

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

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., St. Clement's, Single Oxford, Reverse Canterbury, and Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt. 9 lb. in G sharp.	
*GILES R. SHEDDEN... .. Treble	NOEL R. WAITE... .. 4
WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. 2	RONALD K. RUSS 5
JENNIFER SCEENY 3	HOWARD OGLESBY Tenor

Conducted by HOWARD OGLESBY.

* First peal.

UPHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

On Fri., Aug. 10, 1962, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents.		Tenor 11 cwt.	
*OLIVER EDWARDS Treble	§ROBERT C. KIPPIN 4	§TOM CHAPMAN... .. 5	
†JENIFER TRENT... .. 2	*JOHN CHANDLER Tenor		
‡CAROLYN VIBERT 3			

Conducted by CAROLYN VIBERT.

* First peal. † First 'inside.' ‡ First on six bells. § First of Grandsire Doubles. First as conductor.

WOOLTON HILL, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Aug. 10, 1962, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.		Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb.	
*CHRISTOPHER BUTLER .. Treble	PHILIP MURDOCK 4	GEOFFREY K. DODD... .. 5	
GEOFFREY WESTON 2	PAUL MYERS Tenor		
JOHN PARES 3			

Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.

* First peal of Minor.

ALFRISTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 11, 1962, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.		Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 10 lb. in G.	
BETTY PERCY Treble	ROBERT W. R. PERCY .. 4	M. PETER HOWARD 5	
*JANET M. PERCY 2	FRANK H. HICKS Tenor		
*C. JANE SMART... .. 3			

Conducted by FRANK H. HICKS.

* First peal 'inside.'

Rung immediately after the wedding of Frank H. Beeney (hon. secretary of the Eastern Division) and Judith D. Funnell.

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On Sat., Aug. 11, 1962, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In five methods, being one extent of St. Clement's, two of Cambridge Surprise, one of Oxford T.B., two of Kent T.B. and one of Plain Bob.
Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lb. in A flat.

*KEITH SANSON	Treble	ANTHONY S. BISHOP	4
REGINALD W. REX	2	GEOFFREY K. DODD	5
CHERRY WHITE	3	REGINALD F. CROOK	Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.

* First peal in more than one method.

HITCHAM, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 11, 1962, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., St. Clement's, Single Oxford, Reverse Canterbury and Plain Bob.
Tenor 6 cwt. 11 lb. in B flat.

CHRISTINE V. BOWEN	Treble	NOEL R. WAITE	4
DENNIS C. BOWEN	2	RONALD K. RUSS	5
CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE	3	HOWARD OGLESBY	Tenor

Conducted by HOWARD OGLESBY.

First peal by a band composed entirely of members of the Society of Raving Ringers.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss Olga L. Critchlow and Mr. Michael D. Ling, the ceremony having taken place at Windsor earlier in the day.

LEWTRENCHARD, DEVON.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

On Sat., Aug. 11, 1962, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Tenor 8 cwt.

H. HICKS	Treble	J. BENY	4
W. C. BOUCHER	2	ROY D. BOULD	5
*MARGARET SHEPPERD	3	L. CUNDY	Tenor

Conducted by ROY D. BOULD.

* First peal of Grandsire Doubles.

Rung as a compliment to Judith Whitford and Russell M. Pollinger, whose wedding took place at St. Mary's Church, Lifton, on that day.

LOIS WEEDON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 11, 1962, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY-THE-VIRGIN AND PETER.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven different extents.
Tenor 6½ cwt.

WILLIAM J. CHESTER	Treble	JAMES LINNELL	4
CHARLES E. TRUMAN	2	GEORGE W. HOLLAND	5
*MARGARET A. WILSON	3	WILLIAM A. YATES	Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM A. YATES.

* First peal.

MARBURY, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 11, 1962, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being one 240 and 40 extents (ten callings). Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb.

THOMAS P. BARLOW	Treble	FRANK R. MORTON	4
HERBERT SUTTON	2	STANLEY SUTTON	5
GEORGE A. PACKER	3	DAVID E. PARKER	Tenor

Conducted by FRANK R. MORTON.

The treble ringer has now 'completed the circle.'

Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss I. Molyneux (a ringer at this church) to Mr. R. A. Ridgeway, who were married in this church earlier this day.

NUTFIELD, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Aug. 11, 1962, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL.

A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being one 2,160 and four extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb. in G.

CHRISTOPHER F. MEW	Treble	BRIAN H. COATSWORTH	4
PAUL A. BRAND	2	MICHAEL J. UPHILL	5
CHARLES W. OTTLEY	3	A. DAVID LEACH	Tenor

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER F. MEW.

First peal of Kent Minor for all the band. The ringer of the third has now rung Kent from Minor to Maximus.

ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Aug. 13, 1962, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of St. Clement's and six of Plain Bob (seven different callings).

ROGER LEIGH	Treble	PAMELA BLAKELEY	4
*MICHAEL BIRTWISTLE	2	ERIC J.F. WALL	5
*JOHN T. PARSONS	3	BARRY PICKUP	Tenor

Conducted by ROGER LEIGH.

* First peal of Minor.

BIDSTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Aug. 14, 1962, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In six methods, being two extents of Cambridge Surprise and one each of Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., St. Clement's, Single Oxford and Plain Bob.
Tenor 5 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb.

*CHRISTOPHER R. SUTTON	Treble	RAYMOND A. WATKIN	4
MRS. C. B. PEMBERTON	2	G. MARTIN ROSCAMP	5
JOHN MCCULLOCH	3	CHARLES B. PEMBERTON	Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES B. PEMBERTON.

* First peal.

Rung as a farewell to the Rev. E. O. A. Thomas, Vicar of Bidston for 24 years.

GREAT WITCOMBE, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Aug. 14, 1962, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being 21 methods in the following extents: (1) Primrose S., Hexham S., Berwick S.; (2) Cambridge S., Beverley S., Surfleet S.; (3) Ipswich S.; (4) College Exercise T.B., Norbury T.B., Duke of Norfolk T.B., Ockley T.B.; (5) Kent T.B., Oxford T.B.; (6) D. Oxford, Thelwall, Pinehurst, St. Clement's, Childwall, Buxton; (7) Plain Bob, Double Bob.
Tenor 6½ cwt.

CHRISTINA DAVIES	Treble	*BOB DOWDESWELL	4
CYRIL A. WRATTEN	2	GEOFFREY R. DREW	5
SHIRLEY M. DREW	3	PETER T. HURCOMBE	Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY R. DREW.

* Most methods to a peal.

Rung as a farewell to Christina Davies and Tony Griffin, who are leaving shortly for Swansea.

SHENINGTON, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Aug. 14, 1962, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 21 methods, being two extents each of Stedman, St. Simon's, St. Martin's, Eynsham, St. Leonard's, St. Nicholas', Winchendon Place Bob, Cassington, St. Peter's, Plain Bob, Kennington, Old, Norfolk, April Day, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Columb, Clifford's Pleasure, Southrepps Pleasure, Grandsire, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Northrepps Pleasure.
Tenor 9½ cwt. in A flat.

BARRY J. DAVIES	Treble	ANTHONY K. FORTIN	3
MARK W. SAYERS	2	MICHAEL W. COLEMAN	4

CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE.

First peal in 21 methods by all the band.

Rung to celebrate the marriage of Michael D. Ling and Olga L. Critchlow, which took place at Windsor Parish Church on August 11th.

HANDBELL PEALS

BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

(Syston District.)

On Wed., Aug. 1, 1962, in 1 Hour and 36 Minutes,

AT 66, MELTON ROAD.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

*MALCOLM D. BARSBY	1-2	*RUPERT A. CLARKE	3-4
B. STEDMAN PAYNE	5-6		

Conducted by B. STEDMAN PAYNE.

* 25th peal together.

HARROW, MIDDLESEX.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Aug. 10, 1962, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes,
AT 170, HEADSTONE LANE.

A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

THOMAS J. LOCK	1-2	JOHN R. MAYNE	5-6
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY	3-4	*FRANK C. PRICE	7-8

Composed by GEORGE W. DEBENHAM. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

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

BISHOPSTOKE, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Aug. 15, 1962, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,
AT 20, EDWARD AVENUE.

A PEAL OF 5057 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor size 12 in F.

*ROBERT C. KIPPIN	1-2	*DAVID J. FORDER	5-6
M. ELIZABETH CHAPMAN	3-4	†TOM CHAPMAN	7-8
		†R. ROGER SAVORY	9-10

Composed by MORRIS J. MORRIS. Conducted by R. ROGER SAVORY.

Umpire: DAVID E. HOUSE.

* First 10-bell peal 'in hand.' † 50th peal together.

QUARTER PEALS

HALF PEAL
WOODBURY, DEVON.—On Aug. 17th, 2,528 Plain Bob Major: C. Savage 1, F. Fairbank 2, A. Bagworth 3, M. Press 4, N. S. Bagworth 5, R. Blackler 6, J. A. D. Woolford 7, M. J. Thomas (cond.) 8.

ABINGDON, BERKS.—At the Church of St. Helen, on May 27th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: Jane A. Carruthers (first on eight) 1, Jean E. Larkin 2, J. A. H. Betts 3, J. W. Berry 4, C. I. Rowson (first on eight) 5, R. W. Ellaway (first on eight) 6, W. A. Smith (cond.) 7, F. M. Larkin 8. Rung for the new Mayor of Abingdon, Alderman J. S. Candy, J.P. Also on August 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: J. R. Rowson (first quarter, aged 10) 1, Anne M. Rowson 2, Jane A. Carruthers 3, Phillipa J. P. Dixon 4, J. M. Elaine Dixon 5, J. Pladdys 6, W. A. Smith (cond.) 7, F. M. Larkin 8. Rung as a farewell to Eric Jenkins, who is to be ordained by the Bishop of Liverpool on September 23rd.

ACTON, MIDD.—On Aug. 12th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: Miss Z. Simpson 1, Miss S. Henseman 2, Miss P. Laycock 3, C. Simpson 4, B. C. Burrough 5, L. North 6, R. J. Moore 7, B. E. Matthews (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

ADDERBURY, OXON.—On July 27th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: R. A. Reeves 1, M. W. Sayers 2, A. K. Fortin 3, B. J. Davies 4, N. R. Waite 5, M. W. Coleman (cond.) 6, C. C. Clarke 7, A. R. Mann 8.

BENGEO, HERTS.—On Aug. 18th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): J. Kemp 1, A. S. Carter (cond.) 2, J. H. Phillips 3, A. Fowkes 4, C. Springham 5, S. D. Butcher 6. For the wedding of Miss J. M. Tate (a member of the local band) to Mr. J. O. Terry.

BEXLEY, KENT.—On Aug. 12th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: K. Medhurst 1, Mrs. N. M. Randles 2, Miss M. R. Andrews 3, Mrs. E. Daniels 4, R. Woodcock 5, Miss J. Cox 6, G. H. Randles 7, S. J. Woodcock (cond.) 8. For evening service.

BLEWBURY, BERKS.—On Aug. 11th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: E. Smith 1, A. H. Webb 2, W. F. Jude 3, J. H. Napper 4, G. W. Bishop 5, M. Bishop 6, B. R. White (cond.) 7, F. A. White 8.

BUCKLAND, GLOS.—On Aug. 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: F. Blown 1, Joy Smith 2, W. Jones 3, L. Smith (first of Minor 'inside') 4, R. Chew 5, J. J. Webb (cond.) 6.

CARDIGAN.—On Aug. 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. Jenkins (Poynton, aged 12) 1, Mrs. S. Lewis (Tenby) 2, A. Walters (Cardigan) 3, I. Jenkins (Poynton) 4, Major R. Pateman (Cardigan) 5, H. Jenkins (Tenby, cond.) 6. For Evensong.

CAXTON, CAMBS.—On Aug. 15th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Hilary Muirhead 1, A. Duffee (first of Kent) 2, T. R. Dennis 3, C. Johnson 4, J. G. Gipson 5, B. D. Threlfall (cond.) 6. Rung after the loss of his second attempt for his first peal before A. Duffee returns to America at the end of the month.

CHESTER-LE-STREET, CO. DURHAM.—On Aug. 5th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: I. Wintrip 1, Miss M. Bertie 2, W. Nicholson 3, D. A. Bayles (cond.) 4, P. D. Walker 5, C. Mordue 6, R. Chicken 7, S. C. Walker 8. First in method 5 and 7. For Evensong.

CHESWARDINE, SALOP.—On Aug. 11th, 1,500 Yorkshire Surprise Major: W. H. Pickett 1, K. P. Jones 2, N. Sherratt 3, I. Friend 4, Robert J. Warriow 5, G. Davies (cond.) 6, D. W. Friend 7, Richard J. Warriow 8. Rung as a 40th wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Pickett.

ECCELESTON, LANCS.—On Aug. 17th, 1,440 Treble Bob Minor (Kent and Oxford): L. Walmsley 1, J. Nelson 2, S. Walmsley 3, J. Owens 4, F. Stead (cond.) 5, J. Summer 6. Rung to mark the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. John Owens, both service ringers at Leyland Parish Church, also a birthday compliment to Miss Betty Faunch, of Preston Parish Church.

EDMONTON, MIDD.—On Aug. 12th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Audrey Beauchamp 1, Trudy Newcombe 2, Christine Bowen 3, H. Howson 4, J. Towers 5, D. Bowen (first as cond.) 6, T. Hawkins 7, D. Langdon 8. For Evensong.

FELPHAM, SUSSEX.—On July 30th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. R. Norris 1, Angela Grainger 2, M. J. Marriott 3, J. A. Bennett 4, R. G. Blackler (cond.) 5, F. W. Rivett 6. Rung by a visiting band.

HAGBOURNE, BERKS.—On Aug. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: L. F. Cox 1, W. White 2, Mrs. M. Thomas 3, M. Bishop (cond.) 4, J. H. Napper 5, A. Woodley 6, G. W. Bishop 7, E. Sawyer 8.

HALLING, KENT.—On July 22nd, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): D. Chidwick 1, D. Osenen 2, D. Garrett 3, C. Osenen (cond.) 4, C. Underdon (capt.) 5, L. White 6. First quarter by the newly-forward local band. Rung for Evensong, and to welcome Bishop Mann.

HARLINGTON, MIDD.—On Aug. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss M. Hawkins 1, Miss J. Hitchcock 2, Miss W. Smith 3, C. Fynes (cond.) 4, M. R. Hawkins 5, D. Pickett 6, L. Way 7, L. Grice 8. For Evensong. Also as a compliment to the ringers of 1, 3 and 8, all of whom celebrated their birthdays that day.

HOUNSLOW, MIDD.—On Aug. 12th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss G. Baresel 1, Miss P. Rayner 2, Miss F. Pocock 3, G. Golding 4, D. Fowles 5, R. Sumner 6, P. Ruch 7, A. Grant (cond.) 8. First in the method 1, 2, 3 and 4.

HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.—On Aug. 12th, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury, Plain Bob, Grandsire): J. Nulty (first on a working bell) 1, A. M. Humphrey (first in three methods) 2, J. R. Norris (first in three methods) 3, S. W. Brown 4, H. W. Brown (cond.) 5, R. Tribe (first quarter covering) 6. Rung for the arrival of Lawrence, born on August 4th to the Rev. and Mrs. Donald Kenyon. Mr. Kenyon is on furlough from Northern Rhodesia and is at present ringing with the local band.

KELMARSH, NORTHANTS.—On July 17th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Mrs. E. Storey 1, E. Storey 2, A. Millward 3, D. Loake 4, D. Griffin (cond.) 5, Mrs. A. Loake 6. Rung for the silver wedding this day of Mr. and Mrs. E. Storey, both ringers at this church.

KINGSTON-UPON-THAMES, SURREY.—On Aug. 15th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: Ruth Carr (first of Major) 1, Margaret Lewis 2, Elizabeth Barr (first 'inside') 3, D. Wilkins 4, R. Harris 5, M. J. Bangham 6, D. Leach 7, A. S. Bishop (cond.) 8.

LELANT, CORNWALL.—On Aug. 17th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: F. M. Bowers (first as cond.) 1, Vicky Presswood 2, H. Miles 3, Ruth Aston 4, M. Peters 5, Marion L. Lidgley 6. First Stedman Doubles 2 and 4.

LYME REGIS, DORSET.—On Aug. 19th, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: F. Knight 1, C. W. Powell 2, G. S. Morris 3, Mrs. C. W. Powell 4, K. Pinney 5, Rev. C. J. B. Marshall 6, H. G. Keeley 7, Rev. R. Keeley (cond.) 8. First in the method 5 and 6. For Evensong.

MELLS, SOMERSET.—On Aug. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. Norris 1, J. Moore 2, D. G. Brown 3, Miss E. D. Overend 4, D. T. H. Robertson (cond.) 5, R. G. Baker 6, D. J. Withers 7, H. Vennell 8. Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Rodney Moore, a local ringer.

MINEHEAD, SOMERSET.—On Aug. 16th, 1,367 Grandsire Caters: H. V. Young 1, G. Sparkes 2, H. Purchase 3, L. Arcsott 4, R. Arcsott 5, A. R. Tudball 6, W. J. Nurcombe 7, W. A. J. Knight (cond.) 8, H. W. Lloyd (first of Caters) 9, W. Middleton 10. Specially arranged for the 90th birthday of Mr. John Pughby, an honorary life member of the Association.

NORTH BRADLEY, WILTS.—On Aug. 14th, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: J. Phippen 1, P. W. J. Harding 2, R. H. Newton (first in method) 3, Eunice D. Overend (first in method) 4, E. E. Bray 5, N. G. Kneel (first in method) 6, E. J. Hitchins 7, F. S. Slaford (first as cond.) 8. First quarter of Surprise rung by members of Surprise Major practice band, jointly run by ringers of 4 and 6.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.—On Aug. 7th, at St. George's Colegate, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss M. A. Higdon 1, Miss M. P. Stamfers 2, R. Duesbury (cond.) 3, J. Cox 4, D. Cubitt 5, M. A. Coleman 6. Rung for the birth of Elizabeth, daughter of ringer of 4.

OXFORD.—On Aug. 4th, at the Church of St. Aldate, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Walker 1, G. B. Collins 2, J. Pladdys 3, R. H. Allsworth 4, P. J. Heritage 5, E. R. Venn (cond.) 6.

PACKWOOD, WARWICKS.—On July 29th, 1,260 Minor (720 Kent T.B., 540 Plain Bob): R. E. Tallis jun. 1, Pamela M. Turner 2, Hazel A. Arrowsmith 3, P. S. Bennett (cond.) 4, R. G. Morris (first of Kent) 5, M. C. Hughes 6. For Evensong, and the christening of Robert Michael Bromie.

PATISHALL, NORTHANTS.—On July 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Bayliss 1, A. J. Paul 2, F. Newman 3, G. C. Paul 4, A. A. Paul (first as cond.) 5, E. Billingham 6. For Evensong.

PRESTON, RUTLAND.—On Aug. 12th, 1,260 Doubles (in five methods): H. N. Beedham 1, C. Green 2, G. Reynolds (cond.) 3, T. Crowden 4, J. C. Hudson 5. Rung for the birth of a grandson to Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Codrington, and also a birthday compliment to the conductor.

PURNEY, LONDON.—On Aug. 19th, 1,260 Mixed Doubles (six methods): A. R. Millidge 1, M. J. Uphill 2, C. F. Mew (cond.) 3, B. J. Bull 4, B. H. Coatsworth 5. First in six methods for all. For Evensong.

RADLEY, BERKS.—On July 23rd, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: S. Crooks (first away from tenor) 1, R. A. Vere Hodge 2, M. Gilbertson 3, Miss A. G. Wakefield 4, R. N. Grange (cond.) 5, Miss M. R. Cross 6. A farewell to Mr. R. E. Eason, sub-warden, and Mr. T. E. E. Cocks, of Radley College, who are both retiring. Also a farewell to the ringers of second and third, who are both leaving. Rung by members of the Radley College Society (except fourth).

RAINHAM, KENT.—On Aug. 4th, 1,360 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury): Mrs. F. J. Cheal 1, F. J. Cheal 2, N. A. Crane 3, D. F. Breakspear 4, T. D. Wickins (cond.) 5, P. A. Thomas (first quarter) 6. A birthday wish to H.M. the Queen Mother.

RIPPLE, WORCS.—On July 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Christine Halling 1, Anne M. Broxton 2, C. Hayling 3, A. Halling 4, M. Hawkes (cond.) 5, E. W. Penn 6. Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Anne M. Broxton.

SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP, SOMERSET.—On Aug. 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: K. Welch 1, R. Dean 2, J. Cornelius (cond.) 3, D. R. Best 4, R. Welch 5, R. C. Beale 6. Rung for the wedding of Mr. R. Pond to Miss D. Hill. Also a belated golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. F. Cornelius.

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.—On July 22nd, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: N. R. May 1, Carol I. V. Corton 2, B. G. Warwick (cond.) 3, Mrs. B. G. Warwick 4, D. W. Stenson 5, K. H. Mildred 6, M. G. Wood 7, B. M. Smith 8. First of T.B. Major for 1, 2, 5 and 6. For Festal Evensong. Also on Aug. 5th, 1,260 Doubles (nine methods): Carol L. Norman 1, Carol I. V. Corton 2, B. M. Smith 3, B. G. Warwick (cond.) 4, D. W. Stenson 5, N. W. Grassby (first quarter) 6. For Evensong.

STOCKBURY, KENT.—On July 14th, 1,259 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury): Miss E. M. T. Cumberworth 1, F. J. Cheal 2, D. F. Breakspear 3, T. D. Wickins (cond.) 4, A. J. Dunk 5. A birthday compliment to Mrs. A. J. Dunk.

STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.—On Aug. 5th, 1,260 Doubles (8 methods): Miss T. Johnson 1, Miss P. Lansley (first in eight methods) 2, A. R. Peake 3, Rev. R. G. Bryant 4, V. Griffin 5, A. Hatherall 6. Also on Aug. 12th, 1,320 Morning Star T.B. Minor: Miss P. Lansley 1, R. J. Purnell 2, Mrs. R. J. Drettett 3, R. J. Drettett 4, A. R. Peake (cond.) 5, V. Griffin 6. First in method by all.

SWINDON, WILTS.—On Aug. 5th, at St. Mark's Church, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss M. Cox 1, T. R. Collins (cond.) 2, R. Sweet 3, W. Alexander 4, D. Dancy 5, W. R. Pearce 6. First 'inside' 4 and 5. Rung for Evensong. Also a compliment to W. Alexander and Maureen Hookway, on their engagement.

UPHAM, HANTS.—On July 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Jean M. Warner 1, Frances Gilbert 2, J. W. Scarrott 3, M. J. Marriott 4, B. G. Stone 5, B. G. North (first as cond.) 6. Rung by a visiting band, as a birthday compliment to the treble ringer.

UXBRIDGE, MIDD.—On Aug. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Yates (first quarter) 1, H. W. Impey (cond.) 2, P. Phillips 3, D. G. Rowlands 4, E. R. Gotham 5, F. Bedford 6. For Evensong, also a 21st birthday compliment to Rosalind Hicks and David Rowlands, both of St. Margaret's Guild.

WALSDEN, TADMORDEN, YORKS.—On July 11th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: J. H. Fielden (cond.) 1, P. Schofield 2, J. C. Ashworth 3, J. Mac. D. Bateman 4, P. Whitham 5, C. Milthorp 6, G. Cheetham 7, J. Kershaw 8. Rung to mark the 25th anniversary of the ordination as Deacon of the Rev. F. Butterworth, Vicar.

WENTWORTH, YORKS.—On July 13th, 1,320 Doubles (11 methods): E. King 1, A. King 2, M. A. Beaumont 3, M. King 4, M. R. Meadows (cond.) 5, A. Beaumont 6. Also on July 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. King 1, M. King 2, M. A. Beaumont 3, E. King 4, M. R. Meadows (cond.) 5, A. Beaumont 6. For Evensong.

WEST MALLING, KENT.—On July 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (4, 6, 8 covering): Anne Oakley (first quarter) 1, K. Wallis 2, Wendy Sweeney 3, P. Carter 4, Ann Funnell (first 'inside') 5, Pat Wallis 6, Dr. E. S. J. Hatcher (cond.) 7, D. Parks 8. Rung as a welcome home from Cyprus and demob from H.M. Forces to the ringer of the 2nd.

WHITSTONE, CORNWALL.—On Aug. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. Prockton 1, Mabel Prockton 2, Christine Glastonbury 3, D. Pearce (first quarter) 4, M. J. Pryor (cond.) 5, H. Stacey 6.

WOODCHURCH, KENT.—On July 27th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Minor: Josephine Hardy 1, Jennifer Young 2, Violet Relf 3, P. Jarvis 4, J. Richards 5, J. R. Cooper (cond.) 6. First in the method for 2 and 5.

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FAIRFIELD.—On August 1st, 1962, to Shirley (née Symonds) and Malcolm, Oscar Court, Bayview Village, Toronto, Canada, a son, David John Symonds, second great grandson for Mr. and Mrs. Symonds, Ipswich. 803

WRIGHT.—To Peter and Kate, of 15, Stobery Avenue, Wells, Somerset, on August 26th, 1962, a daughter, Dorothy Margaret. 828

ENGAGEMENT

COUPERTHWAITHE—MOIR.—The engagement is announced between Walter John, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Couperthwaite, of Hutton, Preston, Lancs. and Judy Elizabeth, daughter of Mrs. A. Moir, of Leyland, Lancs. 793

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* For nothing is secret, that shall not be made manifest; neither anything hid, that shall not be known and come abroad. (St. Luke viii, 17.)

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MISCELLANEOUS

MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD.—New members of the University and affiliated colleges will be welcome at our meetings next session. Please contact secretary: Miss Robins, Red Cliff, Northfield Lane, Brixham, Devon. 827

MAPLEDURHAM, OXFORD.—Practice night will be Friday, 7.45 to 9 p.m., as from August 31st. Visitors always welcome. 800

UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY.—All ringers coming up to Bristol in October as freshers please contact D. M. Sawyer, 44, Beechfield Avenue, Birstall, Leicester. 789

UNIVERSITY OF WALES SOCIETY.—Freshers coming up to any of the colleges of the University of Wales next session are invited to write to Miss Gillian Graney, 2, Hyde Lane, Nash Mills, Hemel Hempstead, Herts. 811

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MEETINGS

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—Meeting, Little Staughton, on Saturday, Sept. 1st, Bells (5) from 3 p.m. Cups of tea provided at 4.45 p.m. Please bring own food.—R. L. Piron, Dis. Sec. 824

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.—The annual meeting and ringing festival will be held at Dudley on September 1st. Service at 4.15 p.m. in St. Thomas' Church, followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea to secretary, please. Towers available.—Morning: Brierley Hill (8) 10.30-11 and 11.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m.; Cosely (8), Kingswinford (8), Pensnett (8) all 10.30 a.m.-12 noon. Afternoon: Halesowen (8), Netherton (8), Old Hill (8) all 2-3.30; Rowley Regis (8) 3-4; Dudley (10) 3.15-4.15 and after business till 8.30.—M. D. Fellows, Sec., 14, Western Road, Stourbridge, Worcs. 733

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Meeting, Saturday, September 1st, at Chatteris. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—D. F. Murfet, Dis. Sec. 774

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Meeting at Crondall (6) on Saturday, September 1st. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names to Mr. W. Arnold, 20, Green Springs, Crondall, Hants. —Paul Treble. 779

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bristol City Branch.—Saturday, Sept. 1st, Branch Communion, Emmanuel, Clifton, 8 a.m. Bells 7.30 a.m. Meeting, Christ Church (City). Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Please support this.—A. Bennett. 791

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Watford District.—Meeting at Langleybury, Saturday, September 1st. Bells (6) 3.4-3.30 p.m. Own arrangements for tea. Business meeting 6 p.m., Church Hall.—J. M. Bunyan, Dis. Sec. 775

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—A by-meeting will be held at Shipbourne on Saturday, September 1st. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea at 5 p.m. Please send names for tea to me.—W. H. Dobbie, 13, Baltic Road, Tonbridge. 738

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Meeting at Newington-next-Hythe, Saturday, September 1st. Bells (6 9 cwt.) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. M. J. Martin, 66, Ashley Avenue, Folkestone.—C. T. H. 712

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chiltern and North Bucks Branches.—A joint meeting will be held at Linslade on September 1st. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m., tea to follow. Numbers for tea to Mr. J. Vickers, 38, New Road, Linslade, Leighton Buzzard, Beds. 723

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Devizes Branch.—Monthly meeting, Potterne (6), Saturday, Sept. 1st. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea. Names, please, to Mr. A. Knight, 6, Southwick Road, North Bradley. 759

SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Snaith, Sept. 1st. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Please provide own food. cups of tea only available. 826

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Bolsterstone, Saturday, September 1st. Bells from 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Brearley, Woodbine Villas, Deepcar, near Sheffield, please.—J. Seager, Sec. 763

SUFFOLK GUILD.—West Central District.—Evening meeting, Rattlesden (6), September 1st. Bells 6.30 p.m.—H. Mitson, Dis. Sec.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—A practice meeting will be held at Worth (6), on Saturday, September 1st. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names to Mrs. E. L. Hairs, Norman Cottage, Groombridge, Sussex. 749

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Basingstoke District.—Combined practice Sherborne St. John, Saturday, Sept. 1st. Bells 6.30 p.m.—J. Chesterman, Hon. Dist. Sec. 807

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Christchurch District.—Quarterly meeting, Bournemouth (St. Peter), Sept. 1st. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m., and meeting in Church Hall. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to Mr. A. C. Conway, 121, Richmond Park Road, Bournemouth. 783

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practice meeting, St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube station), Monday, Sept. 3rd. 7 p.m. 794

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Branch.—Quarterly meeting, West Buckland, Saturday, September 8th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, please.—A. H. Reed, 'Mimosa', George Street, Taunton. 753

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Monthly meeting, Middleton-on-the-Wolds, on Saturday, Sept. 8th. Bells (6) 2 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday without fail to Mrs. Hotham, Robin Hood Inn, Middleton-on-the-Wolds, Driffild.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Macclesfield Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Bollington (8) Saturday, September 8th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday, September 3rd, please, to H. C. Lonyon, 8, Cardigan Close, Macclesfield. 746

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Meeting, Whitby (10), Saturday, Sept. 8th. Bells available from 3 p.m.—P. Wishaw, Hon. Sec. 790

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—Bishopwearmouth, Saturday, Sept. 8th, 3 p.m. Names for tea not later than Sept. 5th to Mr. R. Bell, 22, Brinkburn Street, Sunderland. 798

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cambridge District.—Meeting, Bourn, on Saturday, Sept. 8th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea 5 o'clock.—E. W. Bullman, Dis. Sec. 844

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Crusader meeting at North Weald, September 8th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday, September 6th, to H. King, 158, High Road, North Weald. 767

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.W. District.—A meeting will be held at Wendens Ambo (6) on Saturday, Sept. 8th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names to G. Blake, Hamlet House, Roydon Hamlet, Harlow, Essex. 809

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Swindon Branch.—Meeting, Sept. 8th. Cricklade (5). Names for tea by Wednesday.—Luton, 169, Cheney Manor Road, Swindon. 820

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Ludlow and Church Stretton District.—Combined practice, Hope Bowdler, Saturday, Sept. 8th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Teas.—G. Randle, Ashford, Ludlow. 796

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Meeting, Tring, Saturday, Sept. 8th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, Sept. 5th, to Mrs. H. Collings, 16, Christchurch Road, Tring. Herts. No name, no tea.—R. Sheppard, Sec. 817

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.—North Devon Branch.—Meeting, Westleigh, September 8th. Bells (6) 3 o'clock. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to the Rev. J. Sheppard Walwyn, Westleigh Vicarage, near Bideford. 769

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—By-meeting, Saturday, Sept. 8th. St. Michael's, Maidstone. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea. Tea supplied only for those who notify Mr. M. Howe, 83, College Road, Maidstone.—M. W. Gilbert, Dis. Sec. 802

LADIES' GUILD.—Devon Branch.—Meeting at Torre, Torquay (6), on Saturday, September 8th. 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday, September 3rd, to Mr. K. Fursdon, 11, Carlton Road, Ellacombe, Torquay. Gentleman welcomed.—Y. C. Porter, Dis. Sec. 754

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—Quarterly meeting, Quedgeley, Saturday, Sept. 8th. 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea not later than Thursday, Sept. 6th, to Mrs. Kingcott, The Garage, Wrington, Bristol. 709

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Furness and Lake District Branch.—Meeting, Millom, Cumberland, Sept. 8th. 2.30 p.m. Names to Mrs. W. Toon, 28, Hudlestone Road, Millom, Cumb.—N. M. Newby. 825

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn and Rossendale Branches.—Joint meeting at Accrington on Sept. 8th (note change of date). Bells 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m. Meeting to follow.—J. Pilkington, J. Porter. 786

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—Meeting at Whitworth on Saturday, Sept. 8th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m. Business 6 p.m.—J. P. Partington. 787

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Lindsey Branch.—Meeting, Louth (8), Saturday, Sept. 8th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. T. Avery, 18, Broad Bank, Louth, by Wednesday previous.—C.A.H. 822

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Saturday, September 8th, Edmonton (All Saints') 4 to 5.30 p.m. Tea, A.B.C. and Lyons, Church Street, Enfield. Enfield (St. Andrew's) 6 to 7.45. Business 7.45 p.m. Everyone welcome.—Rogers, 53, The Grove, Isleworth, Middlesex.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—N. and E. District.—Meeting, Saturday, Sept. 8th, Barnet. Ringing 3.30 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30 p.m. at Church House. Further ringing to 8 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. C. W. Ward, 12, Alston Road, Barnet, by previous Thursday.—E. H. Kilby. 792

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chipping Norton Branch.—Autumn meeting, Leafield (6) on Saturday, September 8th. Names for tea by previous Tuesday.—J. Keyte, Freeland, Oxford. 771

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Central Bucks Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Haddenham (8), Saturday, September 8th. Bells 2.45 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, Sept. 4th. to J. W. Hall, 44, Buckingham Road, Winslow, Bleichley, Bucks. 788

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Davertry Branch.—Meeting, Daventry, Saturday, Sept. 8th. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to Mr. N. Johnson, Greenford, Badby Road West, Daventry.—F. W. Hancock. 813

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guilborough Branch.—Meeting, Guilborough, Saturday, Sept. 8th. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to J. E. Goddard, 45, Station Road, Long Buckby, Rugby. 814

ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD.—Quarterly meeting, Llandilo (6), Saturday, Sept. 8th. Names for tea to the Rev. Canon T. Hughes, The Vicarage, Llandilo. All ringers welcome. 782

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bingham District.—Meeting, Willoughby-on-the-Wolds, Sept. 8th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to W. L. Exton, St. Owens, Whatton. R. Blackshaw, Hon. Dis. Sec. 801

SUFFOLK GUILD.—North West District.—Practice meeting at Eriswell (5), Saturday, September 8th. Bells 6.30 to 9 p.m. 773

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—A practice meeting will be held at Kirdford (6) on Saturday, Sept. 8th, at 3 p.m. Names for tea to R. G. Blackman, "Ledmira," Turnbull Road, Chichester, by previous Wednesday, please. 808

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Alton and Petersfield District.—Practice meeting, Sept. 8th. Binsted (6). Bells 6.30 to 8.30 p.m.—C. E. Bassett, Hon. Dis. Sec. 784

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—Annual meeting, Cradley, Saturday, Sept. 15th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Names for tea to Mr. A. G. Hall, 54, Beecher Street, Colley Gate, Cradley Heath, by previous Thursday, please.—Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., 17, Ham Lane, Pedmore, Stourbridge. 799

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rockester District.—By-meeting at Borden, Saturday, Sept. 15th. Please note change of date. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to E. C. Barton, "Ma'alesh," Pond Farm Road, Borden, Sittingbourne. 810

LADIES' GUILD.—Midland District.—Meeting, Saturday, Sept. 15th, at Mansfield (8). Notts. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Church Hall 5 p.m., followed by meeting. Gentlemen cordially invited. Names for tea by Wednesday, Sept. 12th, to Mrs. W. M. Warwick, 12, Dorothy Avenue, Glen Hills, Leicester.—W. M. Warwick, Hon. Sec. 816

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Striking competition, Castleacre, Saturday, Sept. 15th. Bells (6). Starting 2.30 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m., followed by service. Numbers for tea by Wednesday, 12th, to N. V. Harding, "Wynncroft," Roydon, King's Lynn. 812

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Quarterly meeting, Sept. 15th. Afternoon ringing to be announced. Tea, local cafés. Meeting 6 p.m., St. Giles', Camberwell, Church Hall. Bells available after meeting. 815

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting, Dorking, Sept. 15th. Bells 3 p.m. Names for tea by Sept. 12th to Miss E. Clear, "Murree," Lonsdale Road, Dorking.—G. A. West, Hon. Sec. 818

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION
Lichfield Diocesan Ringing Festival
to be held in Shropshire
on Saturday, September 15th.
Ringing arrangements:—
10-11 Norton-in-Hales (8)
10.30-12 Market Drayton (8), Newport (8) and Shifnal (8)
11.30-12.30 Wellington (8), and Stoke-on-Tern (6)
12.30-1.30 Clive (6) and Wrockwardine (6)
1.30-2.30 Berrington (5)
2.15-3.15 Condover (8)
3-4 Shrewsbury St. Mary's (10)
3-4.25 Shrewsbury St. Chad's (12)
6.30-7.30 High Ercall (8) and Much Wenlock (8)
7.30-8.30 Hodnet (8), Edmond (6) and Coalbrookdale (10).
Striking Competition:—At Cound (6) in the afternoon.
Service:—Shrewsbury St. Chad's, 4.30.
Tea:—St. Chad's Parish Hall, 5.15 approx. Please apply for tickets before September 8th from Mrs. M. C. Poyner, 5, Woodfield Road, Shrewsbury. It may be necessary to limit numbers.
M. C. Poyner, Gen. Sec. 795

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Next general meeting at Scarborough on Sept. 15th. Bells available: Scalby (6), 11 a.m. to 12 noon and 7.30 to 8.30 p.m.; St. Mary's, Scarborough (8), 2.15 to 4.10 p.m., and after meeting until 8.15 p.m.; All Saints', Wykeham (5), by arrangement with Mr. B. Sutton. General committee meet at 3.15 p.m. in St. Mary's Vestry. Service at 4.15 p.m., followed by tea at 5 p.m. in the Parish House, Castle Road, only to those who notify Mr. B. Sutton, 12, Highfield, Scarborough, by the 12th inst. General meeting on same premises immediately afterwards.—L. W. G. Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec., 65, Lilycroft Road, Heaton, Bradford. 9. 823

HERTFORDSHIRE RINGING COMPETITION.—Saturday, Oct. 6th, 2.45 p.m., at Kimpton. Test piece: 360 Minor or Doubles—note amendment to rules. Social evening follows tea. Entries by Sept. 29th, please, to J. G. Cull, The Green, Kimpton, Hitchin, Herts. (T. N. Kimpton 350). 821

50 Years Ago

August 23rd, 1912.—
Certain ringers who visited Cambridge on August Bank Holiday and the previous day were lucky to escape alive, for we hear that some of the inhabitants would like to have the scalps of those who disturbed their Sunday afternoon siesta, and gave them something like eight hours music on the Monday.

The Sunday afternoon peal at St. Andrew's was lost after an hour and three-quarters ringing. What would have been said had the peal been successful? During the second peal of Stedman Cinques at Great St. Mary's on Monday the Provost of King's College thrusted for the blood of the ringers. The bells disturbed the College Evensong, and a porter of ponderous proportions was dispatched with peremptory orders to stop the ringing immediately. The ringers, perhaps luckily for them, were secure behind locked doors, and the emissary of King's knocked in vain. Happily there is, as Vicar of Great St. Mary's, such a man as the Rev. A. H. Boughey.

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OUTINGS

STRATTON, CORNWALL

The Stratton ringers with friends from neighbouring towers and visitors from Orpington and Cardiff left in a convoy of cars at 8.30 a.m. for a Bank Holiday tour of towers in North Devon.

The first stop was at Westleigh, where we enjoyed some good ringing on the recently rehung ring of six. The Vicar of the parish rang with us and we were all amazed at his skill despite his blindness. Tom Myers and his friends from Plymouth joined us at this tower and remained with the party for the rest of the day.

The tone of Fremington bells leaves much to be desired; out stay here was curtailed and we travelled on to Tawstock to enjoy our first eight of the day. This church was not seen at its best as the Bank Holiday rain had set in in real earnest. 'Haversack rations', with some local cider, were devoured at the Golden Lion, Bickington. A dash in the rain to the local tower followed and soon the very pleasant light eight were pealing forth.

During the afternoon we rang at Atherington and Yarnscombe. It appeared that our organiser had not made any arrangements for tea, but at the next tower, St. Giles-in-the-Wood, we found the annual fete in progress and news arrived that tea was available in the Village Hall.

Final ringing was at Roborough and Beaford, both rings of six, which were not easy to handle, but we enjoyed our ringing at both towers before saying our farewells.

Our sincere thanks are due to Henry for planning the outing and to the local incumbents and their ringers who met us.

M. J. P.

DUNHOLME AND SAXILBY

Thirty-seven humans—long ones, short ones, thin ones, plump ones, babies in arms and gay old grand-dads, dark ones, fair ones, bald ones, curly ones—all enjoying a picnic in Bradley Woods, near Grimsby, at 1 p.m. on July 28th. Someone pointed out that a notice forbade the use of the swings by anyone over 14, but a logically minded boy of 40 odd summers declared that this must obviously refer to 14 stones, not 14 years.

A buffet tea was later taken in the private residence of the proprietor of 'The Singing Kettle' at Barton-on-Humber, and to end the day we had a three-course dinner at the Queensway Hotel, Scunthorpe, where we sang 'Happy Birthday' to Joyce Burton, mnch to the delight of Joyce's young children.

In between eating we did some ringing. At Claxby (5) the striking was as odd as the bells: Caistor (6, 14½ cwt.) the bells were less difficult than we had been told; Wakhām (6, 9½ cwt.), nice bells and a well-maintained ringing chamber. At Uuceby (6, 9 cwt.) an all-ladies team rang a touch on the bells, which were a delight to handle.

Goxhill, another good light six in a lovely church, and finally Scunthorpe (8, 17 cwt.) proved a good tower in which to end the day.

Methods ranged up to Cambridge and Norwich Surprise, Stedman Triples and Kent Major, and the man in charge of ringing (John Blaikie) expressed himself as well satisfied with the standard of striking throughout the day (apart, that is, from Claxby). Our thanks are due to organiser, Stan Smith, for the best outing yet, and those who provided transport.

H. W. C.

COTTON AND MENDLESHAM

The Cotton and Mendlesham ringers toured parts of Norfolk for their day's outing, visiting Hingham, Gressenhall, North Elmham, Fakenham and Salle.

After tea in Aylsham a demonstration of handbell ringing, using the lapping or over lapping method, was given by Mr. L. E. Last and his friends from Hoxne. Mr. Last pointed out that this method of handbell ringing can be achieved without any knowledge of the blue line principle. Two methods were rung, namely, Plain Bob Major and Grandshire Triples. To complete the day, ringing took place at Aylsham and Marsham.

Our thanks to all incumbents for the use of the bells, and to Mr. Bert Chivers for making the day possible.

E. H.

QUARTER PEALS

BROOMFIELD, ESSEX.—On Aug. 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss M. R. Panton 1, I. R. Panton 2, Miss J. Groves 3, A. R. Groves 4, G. Nichols 5, M. J. Cowling (first as cond.) 6. For the family service

CAMBRIDGE.—On Aug. 12th, at Great St. Andrew's Church, 1,344 Grandsire Triples: Katie Gorvin 1, Betty Layton 2, Judith Harding 3, Gay Williams 4, C. J. Rees (first of Triples) 5, N. J. Davies (cond.) 6, D. J. R. Martin 7, R. Robertson 8. Rung for Evensong; the band included members of the University of London Society.

DROITWICH SPA, WORCS.—At St. Peter-de-Witton, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Cattermole (cond.) 1, Mrs. Betty Birch 2, Jean M. Baker 3, Margaret Eachus 4, J. Whittall 5, A. D. Cook 6. A compliment to the treble ringer, on his 21st birthday.

HOBY, LEICS.—On Aug. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. D. Day 1, A. E. Hinman 2, C. H. Stonehouse 3, R. E. Manton 4, R. H. Cook (cond.) 5. Rung for the wedding of Mr. John Mitchell and Miss Peggy Noreen Burnham, daughter of the Ringing Master.

WARBLETON, SUSSEX.—On Aug. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Hill 1, Miss M. Baitup (first 'inside') 2, Miss N. Earl 3, P. Pope 4, G. Beenev (cond.) 5, C. Pope 6. A wedding compliment to Frank Beenev and Judy Tunnell.

WEDNESBURY, STAFFS.—At St. Bartholomew's Church, on June 24th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: M. Cadwallader 1, H. Morton 2, G. Darlington 3, J. Hingley 4, B. Morton 5, P. Bryan 6, J. Astbury 7, D. Cadwallader 8, A. H. Hingley (cond.) 9, J. Gaden 10. First local band to ring a quarter peal for a number of years.

WEEK ST. MARY, CORNWALL.—On Aug. 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Hicks 1, S. Everitt 2, T. A. Cross 3, M. Heyman 4, T. Setter 5, H. Stacey (cond.) 6.

WESTON-IN-GORDANO, SOMERSET.—On Aug. 4th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: G. Skelly (first with Treble Bob treble) 1, Rosemary Smith 2, J. Brain 3, Monica Horseman 4, R. Smith (first of Surprise) 5, M. Horseman (cond.) 6.

MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCE

PEATLING MAGNA, LEICS.—On Aug. 14th, 2,808 Minimus (in two methods, Plain Bob and Reverse Canterbury): S. H. J. Edwards 1, R. A. Cobley 2, B. C. Law (cond.) 3, M. R. A. Kirk 4. Witness: Anthony J. Gray. An attempted peal brought round.

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