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MERTON COLLEGE, OXFORD, SEPTENCENTENARY

By PHILIP WALKER

SEVEN hundred years ago, on September 14th, 1264, Walter de Merton, afterwards Bishop of Rochester, obtained from Henry III and the Bishop and Chapter of Winchester permission to establish 20 scholars at Oxford or at some other university. In 1270 the plan was further enlarged and in 1274 a final set of statutes was drawn up whereby the College was definitely established in Oxford.

The Chapel is the largest in the University and the first to be built in a college. The choir was begun in 1290 but the tower was not completed until 1450. The tower is situated at the west end of the Chapel and had the intended nave ever been built it would have been a central tower.

The eight bells which were cast in 1680 are all by Christopher Hodgson and are the oldest complete ring by one founder in existence. Mr. F. Sharpe, in his book *The Church Bells of Oxfordshire*, tells us that the bells are mentioned in the Bursar's rolls as early as 1288. Anthony Wood rang at the college in the 17th century and records that the tenor bell was reputed to be the finest bell in England. The five bells were recast by Michael Darbie into a ring of eight in 1657. Unfortunately these bells were not a success and as one would expect the founder was blamed for their poor quality. However, we must remember that casting a ring of eight bells in those early days was purely an experiment.

Christopher Hodgson visited Oxford to recast Great Tom at Christ Church. Merton College authorities, taking advantage of his visit, asked him to recast the college bells. They still remain as Hodgson made them. They hang in an oak frame made by Messrs. White, of Appleton, towards the end of the 19th century.

The bells were originally rung from the ground floor of the Chapel and it is clear that this must have been extremely arduous. The ropes were obviously very long and bellhanging in those days was very primitive. Today the bells are rung from a gallery 60 feet above the floor of the Chapel. The tenor weighs approximately 26 cwt.

Ringing at the College is now confined almost entirely to ringing on special occasions such as the Queen's Ac-

cession Anniversary, etc. These special rings are undertaken by members of the Oxford Society.

Peal ringing at the College over the years has not been very prolific. The Oxford Society's records list eight peals rung on the bells. The first, Grandsire Triples, is dated October 5th, 1817, and was conducted by J. Tagg. Between December 24th, 1888, and December 28th, 1896, six peals were rung, three of Stedman, two of Grandsire, and one of London. This group of six peals was all conducted by J. W. Washbrook, who was very active as a conductor in and around Oxford at this time. On September 6th, 1945, a peal of Cambridge was rung by the following members of the Oxford Society: V. J. F. Bennett 1, W. F. Judge (cond.) 2, A. H. Reed 3, F. A. H. Wilkins 4, C. F. Andrews 5, W. Williams 6, Rev. C. E. Wigg 7, J. E. Spice 8. This is the last peal to be rung at the college to date and seems to have been the cause of trouble with the college authorities. It appears that the organiser, when he made the arrangements, omitted to make it clear that a peal on these bells would take three and a half hours to ring. We understand that a determined effort was made to stop the ringing but it was found impossible to force an entry by way of the door which had, of course, been locked. The ringers were therefore able to complete the peal without interference in 3 hours and 33 minutes.

To celebrate the actual date of the College's 700th anniversary the governing body requested the Oxford Society to ring for half an hour on Monday, September 14th, 1964. The opportunity was however taken to suggest that the occasion warranted something more than what amounted to an ordinary ring and the college authorities were asked to consider giving permission for a peal to be attempted. It was however, eventually decided that an hour's ringing was all that could be allowed. It was then regretfully decided that a quarter peal was all that could be attempted. The quarter was successful and produced some of the best ringing to be heard on these bells for a very long time. The details are as follows: At Merton College, Oxford, on Monday, September 14th, 1964, 1,260 Stedman Triples was rung by members of the Oxford Society: P. Walker 1, W. F. Judge 2, J. R. Chaundy 3, E. R. Venn 4, B. R. White 5, E. J. Smith 6, S. J. Ivin (cond.) 7, F. A. White 8. The conductor was recently a member of the College.

The ringers made their way down from the tower to find waiting for them the Warden of the college in company with the Domestic Bursar. Pleasure was expressed by them as to the quality of the performance and, remarking that it must have been thirsty work, they took us along to the Hall for liquid refreshment. This gesture was much appreciated by us all.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

Non-Association Peal Protest Criticised

The first general meeting of the Yorkshire Association for many years at Birstwith was held on September 12th. For the first time at a September meeting there was ringing in the morning when the fine new eight at St. Peter's Church, Harrogate, were enjoyed as well as the six at Beckwithshaw. Birstwith bells are a known attraction and despite the unfortunate clash with two other ringing meetings in Yorkshire a fairly representative company gathered for some good ringing. Evening Prayer was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. R. C. Capel-Cure, who joined the ringers at tea in the Station Hotel.

The President of the Association, Archdeacon C. O. Ellison, presided at the business meeting. Mr. E. Hudson in proposing a vote of thanks to all those who had co-operated in holding the meeting mentioned specially the wish of the late Jackson Ewbank that a Yorkshire General Meeting be held at Birstwith. Mr. H. Walker, seconded this proposal and commented on the good lead the Vicar had given in the singing at the service.

Three new members were elected: Mr. Gordon Pearce (Huntington), Miss Katherine Wilson (Guisley) and Mr. Rick Dirksen (Washington Cathedral), who rang his first 720 on the last day of the Washington trip in May.

Mr. Roger Lumley raised the question of the peal levy, doubting whether the issues were clearly put at the Annual General Meeting in May. The President said he thought there had been no confusion and that members had had full opportunity to reject both a 6d. and a 1s. levy. He criticised very strongly the footnote to a recent Non-Association peal report 'Rung as a protest to the peal levy.' He thought this a gross misuse of bells meant to be used for the glory of God. Mr. Vernon Bottomley supported the President, stating that he thought it was the intention of the Doncaster meeting that there should be a peal levy. Mr. Lumley intimated that he would propose next May that the new rule be rescinded.

The next general meeting will be on January 16th, probably at Halifax.

Immediately after the business an interesting talk on the Washington trip by Mr. Norman Chaddock was much appreciated. Further ringing at Birstwith and Beckwithshaw and also at the six-bell tower of Kirk Deighton followed.

THE RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD

The favourable conditions prevailing for the Guild's autumn meeting at Cambridge, on September 26th, helped considerably to make the programme for the day very satisfactory, both in ringing and travelling.

The chief guest was the Mayor (Alderman P. J. Warren), who visited the tower of Great St. Mary and watched ringing in progress. In his words of welcome to Cambridge, he stated that he was very impressed with what he saw in the belfry.

The number present was a great improvement on the last meeting. All regions were represented, but the Masters of the North Eastern and the Eastern Regions were unable to attend and were among the 18 apologies received.

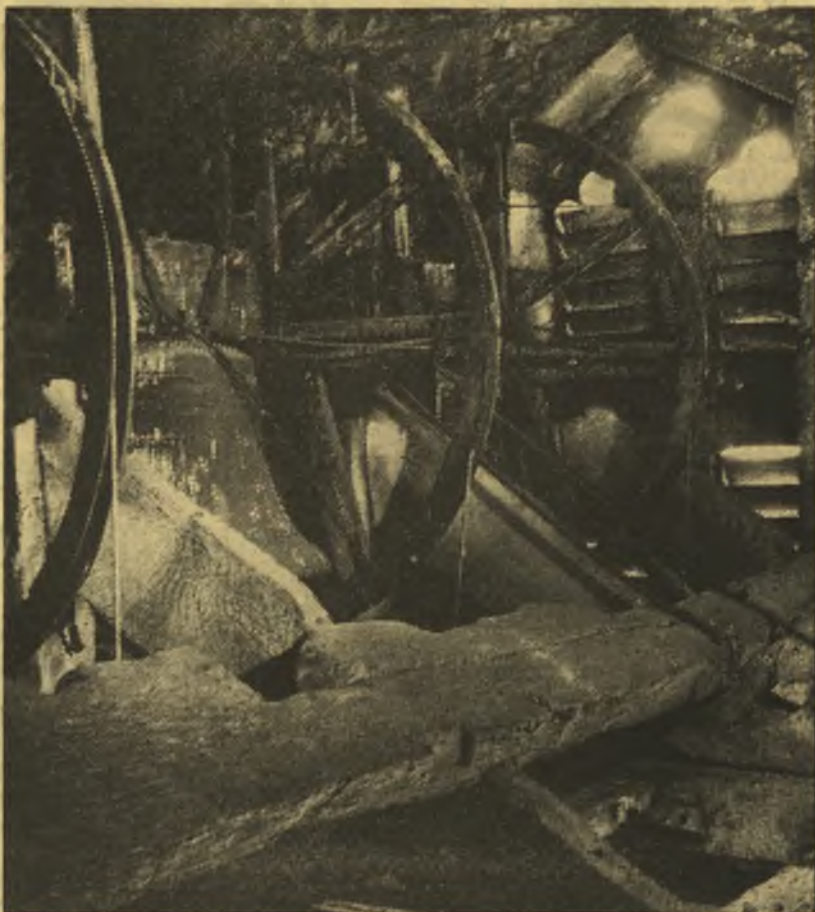
Ringing commenced at St. Bene'ts', and other towers visited were Great St. Mary (12), Our Lady (R.C.) Church (8), St. Mary's, Trumpington (8) and St. Andrew's (8). Weddings at two of the churches upset the schedule slightly.

At the short business meeting Mr. Sid Fosskett asked that the hon. sec. should write a letter of condolence to Mr. and Mrs. W. Hollands on the recent loss of their son-in-law.

Arrangements for the 1965 annual general meeting at London and the autumn meeting at Swansea were already in progress, and members were asked to note the dates of both. Four new members were elected.

In the vote of thanks Mr. Frank Stenson thanked the incumbents concerned for the use of the bells, and Mr. Charles Bassett for the excellent programme. J. A. H.

A SHROPSHIRE TRIANGULAR FRAME



The triangular frame at Cardington, Sapot, approximately 1626. All four bells are roped on the same side of the wheel, hence the straight rope 'circle.'

Dear Sir.—I may be able to add a little to Mr. Johnson's interesting article (Sept. 4th) on four-bell towers in Shropshire.

At HUGHLEY the bells hang in a timber-framed brick bell-cot. Instead of being supported from the floor by heavy oak posts (as in so many churches in the South-East) the whole weight of the bell-cot is carried on oak beams spanning between the nave walls. The bells are at present fitted with cords instead of ropes and would need considerable attention before any attempt was made to ring them.

ACTON BURNELL bells hang in a small Victorian north tower which, in spite of its size, contains a first-floor ringing room. The bells are fitted with proper ropes and are ringable although normally chimed from the ground floor by means of an apparatus.

The bells at STOKES MILBOROUGH hang in a really massive 17th century oak frame but this has been damaged by beetle in places and the fittings are in very poor shape. The bells are not good in tone or tune; numbers 1, 3 and 4 are approximately a major three and the 2nd is a semitone! The tenor is G-sharp.

CARDINGTON'S triangular frame can, I think, be dated approximately by the 2nd bell (1626) which would make it nearly contemporary with the similar frame at Onibury.

It spans the tower from north to south and all four bells are roped on the same side of the wheel—hence the straight rope 'circle.'

The bells are rung from the ground floor, giving a long draught, but the ropes are good and the bells appeared to be ringable when I saw them last January. I understood then that they had not been rung for Christmas but that they had been rung on occasions in 1962-3. I doubt if the frame shakes enough to cause any harm. In view of the rarity of triangular frames your readers may be interested to see the enclosed photograph. The bells were relit and two of them recast by Barwell in 1887, two years before Acton Burnell. The note of the Rudhall tenor is G.—Yours faithfully, CHRISTOPHER DALTON. Leigh, Surrey.

Tower Master's 80th Birthday

The 80th birthday of Mr. Hadley S. Gregory, tower master of Emmanuel Church, Clifton, on October 1st, was commemorated by a peal on Emmanuel bells by a representative band of old friends. This was followed by a tea in the Church Hall, at which the Vicar (the Rev. R. M. Brettell) and Dr. T. G. Faulkner (churchwarden) were among those offering congratulations. Mrs. McDowall provided an excellent tea, including a cake adorned with 80 candles.

Mr. Gregory has been a ringer for 55 years. He was tower master at St. Andrew's, Clifton, from 1930 until the church was destroyed by enemy action in 1940. Since then he has been in charge of Emmanuel bells and is untiring in his efforts to keep both bells and ringers in order.

ANOTHER 1,000-PEALER

Mr. Joseph W. Cotton, hon. secretary of the Midland Counties Association, rang his 1,000th peal on October 6th at his own tower, Overseal. The method was Overseal Delight and it was conducted by Mr. Brian G. Warwick.

Shropshire Fours — Baschurch

Dear Sir.—A correction is necessary to my letter on the above (page 635). Though the fine Flemish bell and the third by Thomas Clibury II, 1662, remain as cast, Taylors tell me that they did recast the treble and tenor in 1909, as they were both damaged. My apologies to Mr. Johnson for only having half the story.—Yours faithfully,

R. W. M. CLOUSTON.

Radlett, Herts.

A CANNONADE OF INDIGNATION

'Not Fiddled'

Dear Sir.—Congratulations to Mr. Holtom on his most amusing, albeit rather pathetic letter.

I have never had the misfortune of ringing in a peal with Mr. Holtom but, having seen him perform at the end of a rope, the prospect of having to drag him through even a touch of Bob Major would be enough to fill me with alarm and despondency. Pat Cannon is to be congratulated on his patience and perseverance in having given Mr. Holtom the simple pleasure of a peal or two; but then A.P.C. has always been a good man with the learners and, in his usual quiet and modest fashion, would probably decry any thanks for his efforts.

I have rung in over 100 peals with Pat Cannon and I don't suppose that I shall ever forget any of them, for various reasons. However, I think I can say with virtual certainty, and in all seriousness, that he has not 'fiddled' or otherwise illegally adjusted a single one of them. They have included most of the best peals that I have rung, and all of the most enjoyable. To me, at any rate, the Exercise would be a very much poorer place without him.—Yours faithfully

ROBIN G. LEALE.

Teddington.

Another Tower Captain's Criticism

Dear Sir.—With reference to 'Tower Captain's Criticism,' it is even more astonishing that the captain of Stoke D'Abernon does not know that his District Ringing Master rings regularly at Dorking. Does he imagine that peal ringers and those who enjoy a day's ringing outing are not regular service ringers, or that they are not better ringers for the extra effort and time they devote to the Exercise?

In our District, there are a good number of 'ordinary service ringers' who find the time to attend meetings, so attempting to support both the Guild and District Masters in their efforts to improve the standard of ringing and in the encouragement of the towers where the bells are not often rung.

Mr. Ash's limited experience clearly shows lack of participation in his Guild activities. Since Mr. Wilson devoted a complete week-end in July to members of the Guildford Diocesan Guild. Those attending found the lectures very enlightening and encouraging and have no doubt that Mr. Wilson, who also teaches learners, does not live in an ivory tower; we can only assume that Mr. Ash is trying to discredit someone he has never met.—Yours sincerely,

PETER AND ANGELA SMART.

Ash, Surrey.

A Quote from Sibelius

Dear Sir.—I was both sorry and surprised to read Mr. Holtom's letter. Such criticism, whether justified or not, could scarcely come from a more incongruous source, in view of Mr. Cannon's patient and long-suffering attempts to instil the art of elementary change ringing into the infamous Mr. Holtom.

Before the situation has time to degenerate further, however, I should like to draw attention to a few well-chosen words uttered by Sibelius after he, too, on one occasion had been subjected to heavy criticism: 'No one has ever erected a statue to a critic.'—Yours faithfully,

WILLIAM S. DEASON.

Hampton, Middlesex.

Ten Years Too Late

Dear Sir.—I consider Mr. Holtom's letter to be most despicable and am amazed that it was published. What have these relics of the past to do with the 1,000th any more than the 600th, 750th or 850th peals which were claimed as such? As you stated, sir, a complaint ten years after the event is too late. Did Mr. Holtom not have the strength of his convictions a decade ago? Mr. Cannon restricts his conducting mainly to the standard methods and I often wonder whether this is the basic reason for the unkind digs made at him. From my own experience in the dozen or so peals rung with him the striking has in general been excellent, and often better than in peals rung with more revered conductors.

Surely if Mr. Holtom is not exaggerating, some of the members of each band would have objected to having their names associated with the peals? It would only have needed one person to refuse to let his name be published. If Mr. Cannon was satisfied with the performances and Mr. Holtom was not, then it is quite clear to me with whom the fault lies and it would be more prudent at this stage for him to refrain from hanging his own dirty washing on Mr. Cannon's line. He presumably took part in the peal of Plain Bob in Wales—or did he receive the report second or third hand?—which would indicate that he had a lapse of memory which he has subsequently regained.

In Surrey, where he is Master of the Surrey Association and a District Ringing Master of the Guildford Diocesan Guild, Mr. Cannon is always welcome in our midst. His help to everyone, both at meetings, practices and peal ringing, has made him very popular and I am sure the common feeling in this part of the country is, 'Congratulations, Pat!'.—Yours sincerely,

D. A. R. MAY.

Old Woking, Surrey.

Untiring Tower Captain

Dear Sir.—With reference to the critical remarks of Messrs. Holtom and Ash in their respective letters re Mr. A. P. Cannon, may I suggest they visit St. Martin's Church, Dorking, one Monday evening, where for several years now Mr. Cannon has been the untiring captain battling against difficult odds with a struggling band of young ringers. It is an exception if he does not attend a practice night and his patience and encouragement must be witnessed to be appreciated. He also finds time to carry out successfully the duties of Master of both the Surrey Association and the Leatherhead District of the Guildford Guild, rarely missing a meeting of either.

So, correspondents, instead of voicing hostile judgment, which achieves nothing, be more virtuous and refrain from commenting until such time as more meritorious remarks are forthcoming.—Yours faithfully,

A SURREY RINGER.

Torment, not Sport

Dear Sir.—Change ringing is not sport; it is a disease, at least to those performers who are mentioned in 'The Ringing World.'

As to peal totals, we heard and read the same about the Rev. F. E. Robinson and others. I have always found it easier to maintain a good band where there are a few peal-ringing members. And it is your duty to stand in a peal for them if they have given you joy in learning the methods. After standing in a peal and the conductor says 'That is all,' shut up outside the belfry.—Yours faithfully,

A FLAT.

Local Bands' Backbone

Dear Sir.—The issue of October 1st contained more than its fair share of critical 'correspondence,' but the letter from Mr. Ash is typical of the sour grapes attitude adopted by many second-rate ringers who, because they are either incompetent or unpleasantly eccentric are not invited to take part in peals arranged by people who find very great joy in the ringing of peals. They usually finish up by putting themselves on a pedestal and calling themselves 'Ordinary Sunday Service Ringers,' thereby inferring, if not actually saying, that peal ringers are not also service ringers.

It's high time this lie was nailed. Of course there are a few who let the side down, but on the whole it is my experience that people who are or who have let the side down, but the backbone of the local band, where it is a keen, competent and progressive one.

I'm not sure that I agree with Mr. Wilson in thinking that everything in the garden is lovely at Stoke D'Abernon. It seems a little too good to be true—in fact I would say that the smug attitude of the tower captain suggests the presence of a serpent!—Yours sincerely,

PATRICK J. CHAPMAN.

Ringling Master—Holy Cross, Daventry.

Peal on Unrededicated Bells

Dear Sir.—I was very surprised to hear that a peal had been rung on the as yet unrededicated bells at Skeffington in Leicestershire. I was even more surprised when I read who had rung the peal. Even though I know the conductor quite well I'm afraid it doesn't alter my view, and that of other local ringers, that this sort of thing rather goes against the grain, especially as local ringers (not including myself) who had been asked to assist in forming a band were hoping to be able to have rung the first peal on the newly rehung bells, and hadn't dreamed of approaching the Vicar for permission until after the rededication.

Secondly, we recently had a request from the local university for the use of Thurnby bells on a weekday. Permission was duly granted and when the time came three ringers arrived to ring six bells. Fortunately for them, one of our married lady ringers met them and they were able to ring three badly struck courses of Bob Minimus. If a non-ringer, i.e., the Vicar, had met them, would they have rung three bells and still crossed the tower off in 'Dove'!

I'm not against 'tower-snatching' as such, as I have indulged in it myself, but I think certain rules should be observed. Namely, that the bells should be rung for at least 30 minutes and that five-and six-bell towers should be fully manned.—Yours faithfully,

J. J. PAWLEY.

Thurnby, Leics.

Chartham

Dear Sir.—The peal at Chartham was called round as stated and I must accept the blame for this. My ringing on this occasion was very unstable as a result of a serious illness from which I had not completely recovered. Mr. Brian Woodruffe was the conductor and I presume the local ringer referred to was Mr. Dennis Chapman. Mr. Nicholas Davies was also included but I cannot remember the names of the other two. I don't know who the five boys were to whom Mr. Cook refers, but they were certainly not ringing at Chartham on this occasion.—Yours Sincerely,

F. C. W. KNIGHT.

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LETTERS—Continued

A Washington Practice

Dear Sir,—When H.M.C. Decoy visited Baltimore recently I was fortunate in being able to ring at the Saturday morning practice at Washington Cathedral on September 12th. At the same practice was Bob Mordaunt, of Oriel College, Oxford, who was on a tour of the U.S.A. Despite having read George Pipe's article, 'Ten Men Went to Sow,' the ringing chamber was an awe inspiring sight, not only on account of vastness but also furnishings.

For the first hour and a half the bells were rung muffled and plain hunt on eight with the tenor behind was successfully attempted. A fair part of this time was devoted to learners. The bells were lowered in order to take the muffles off and then raised again afterwards, in each case it was the front six, then the back four. As the ten bells peeled out straight afterwards and settled into rounds, the wonderful tone of these bells was really appreciated. I was asked to call changes on the ten and this went very well, imagine my surprise at a round of applause for calling the changes. All too soon the time came to lower the bells again and the front six were brought down in grand style. The team got some well deserved praise and applause for this from the other ringers.

Considering the short time they've been ringing, the progress of the Cathedral team is enormous. There is a spirit of keenness and determination in the tower which I'm sure will make them into a really great team. They are eagerly looking forward to the forthcoming visit of Mr. Price, of Bournemouth, who is going over as instructor for four months.

My thanks again to the Washington team for the grand ring we had that morning, and I wish them all the best for the future.

MERVYN BRAY.

Tavistock, Devon.

James W. Washbrook

Dear Sir,—Items to 'The Ringing World' by Mr. Edwin Barnett are always of great interest and especially when they relate to ringing giants of a past age. Of his memorable visit to Arklow, Mr. Barnett mentions his amazement at the accuracy of the striking when James W. Washbrook rang the tenors to a touch of Bob Major. It is on record that Mr. Washbrook once attempted to ring these two bells to a peal in the method, which failed around the halfway mark. One wonders if our old friend, Mr. William Shepherd, was in this attempt.

Besides ringing together on tower bells, the family of Washbrook frequently rang touches on handbells. At Tunstall, Staffs, in March, 1912, a course of Grandsire Cinques was rung: Walter 1-2, Harry 3-4, James W. (jun.) 5-6, James W. (sen.) 7-8-9-10 Mark 11-12. At Silverdale, Staffs, in 1914, five ringers rang two courses of Grandsire Triples on tower bells: James E. Groves 1-2, James W. Washbrook (jun.) 3-4, James W. Washbrook (sen.) 5-6, W. P. Washbrook 7, H. Washbrook 8. Of the four talented ringing sons of Mr. Washbrook, within a short while three of them were to pay the supreme sacrifice in World War I.

The amazing feats of James W. Washbrook are legion. Such a one, told to a few friends and myself by the late Alfred W. Brighton, will be of interest. To fully appreciate the performance, I must quote Mr. Brighton's exact words. They are: 'I once saw Jim Washbrook turn the tenor in to a perfect course of London without touching the "sally." Truly an astounding feat of bell control.—Yours faithfully

JOHN G. NASH.

Muswell Hill, London.

Rougham, Suffolk, Ringers' Outing

Accompanied by their Rector and churchwardens, Rougham ringers and friends enjoyed their outing into Essex on September 19th. Towers visited were Sible Hedingham, Wethersfield, Great Bardfield, Finchingfield and Gestingthorpe. Four young ringers were in the party and rang rounds; others enjoyed Stedman, Cambridge Kent, Oxford and other methods. Mr. L. Wright was thanked by the Rector for 'the wonderful arrangements' he made for the enjoyment of both ringers and non-ringers.

LOSSES TO AUSTRALIAN RINGING

MRS. JEAN IRELAND

The early death of Jean Ireland at the age of 28 is a sad blow to the band at St. Peter's Cathedral, Adelaide, and to her many ringing friends in England.

She was born at Kingston-on-Thames, but moved to Clitheroe at an early age where she learned to ring at the church of St. Mary Magdalene. As Jean Dawson, she will be remembered for the prolific amount of ringing she did around Clitheroe, and later at Reading, where she gained a Science degree at the University. She was master of the Reading University Society 1957-8, and in 1958 married Frank Ireland. They lived for a while in Birmingham, and then for nearly two years in Burnley before coming to Australia in 1960 where Frank obtained a post at the Weapons Research Establishment, Salisbury, South Australia.

Jean joined the Adelaide Cathedral band, and despite living 16 miles from the tower, was a regular attender until increasing family commitments made it more difficult for her to come. Her fourth child was born only a few months before she was taken ill, and rushed to hospital on Good Friday, suffering from leukaemia. Every one who knew Jean could not help but marvel at the tremendous enthusiasm she had for everything she undertook, including ringing, and throughout her illness this enthusiasm never waned. Members of the Cathedral band were frequent visitors to the hospital, and Jean was very pleased that on occasions she could hear the Cathedral bells.

In July, having showed some response to treatment, she was allowed home for a few weeks, but returned to hospital late in August, and there she died on September 22nd.

Before the funeral on September 24th the Cathedral bells were rung half-muffled, every member of the band being present at the short service held in the Lady Chapel. Jean's English ringing friends were represented by Ron Russ. Four of the ringers acted as pall bearers and Rev. W. D. Devonshire, the new Bishop's Vicar, himself a ringer, paid tribute to her splendid example of service to the exercise. There was more half-muffled ringing as the cortege moved off to Centennial Park Crematorium, where the ringers were represented by their captain, Bill Pitcher.

Lincoln and Washington

Dear Sir,—I have been unfortunately misquoted in your account of the Lincoln dinner. To imply that 'the very best' were sent to Washington would be, to say the least, impertinent! What I did say was that the Lincoln Guild had, in Mr. Freeman, a splendid ambassador and that during the relatively short teaching time we had in America we did the very best we could.

Whilst on the subject, I have had one or two mild rebukes re the last paragraph of the Washington supplement which described the visit as the 'best tour ever!' This came about due to having to shorten and delete some of the latter paragraphs for available space; the implication being that it must have been 'one of the best...'. Undoubtedly the 1934 Great Adventure and other tours will be ranked with this and I therefore apologise to anyone who feels we have been a little presumptuous!!—Yours, etc.,

GEORGE W. PIPE.

Bells and Nuisance

Dear Sir,—In my letter published in 'The Ringing World' on September 25th, the word 'public' should be omitted from the third line of the third paragraph. The names of the case on public nuisance should be *Soltau v. de Held*. I am sorry if these errors were due to my inadvertence.—Yours faithfully,

JOHN CAMP.

Amersham, Bucks.

Jean had a fair number of peals to her credit, but no record of these is available. Her first was a notable one, Oxford Treble Bob Royal. She had only gone to listen, and the band met short. Her last peal, and the only one she rang in Australia, was Grandsire Triples at Adelaide Cathedral on February 20th, 1963. It was the first peal on the bells, conducted by Enid Roberts, a great friend of Jean's.

A half-muffled quarter of Grandsire Triples was rung to her memory at the Cathedral on September 29th, and the Exercise will extend its sympathy to Frank and the children.

May she rest in peace.

R.K.R.

MR. WILLIAM SMITH

The death occurred in hospital on September 30th, after a long illness, of Mr. William Smith, aged 74 years, for many years a ringer at St. James' Church, Turramurra, New South Wales.

A native of Leicester, where he learned to ring, Mr. Smith arrived in Australia in 1911. He served as lieutenant in the 14th Infantry Company Engineers and 53rd Battalion Infantry, 1st A.I.F. in World War I.

A builder by trade, he left many fine examples of his craftsmanship in the Turramurra district. He had been a parish councillor at St. Swithun's, Pymble, and a member of the Sydney Diocesan Synod for some years.

Well known to all ringers in Sydney, Mr. Smith was one of those responsible for the strong revival in change ringing there following World War II, and his enthusiasm served as an example to the ringers at St. James' until his illness early this year. Under his guidance Treble Bob methods were again being rung at St. James' for the first time in several years.

Mr. Smith had made two return visits to Britain in peace-time, the second in 1961, when he made many new friends in towers there, including meeting again his long-time correspondent, the late Ernest Morris.

The funeral service was held at St. James' on October 2nd, followed that evening by half-muffled touches of Plain Bob Minor. He is survived by his son, Wing Commander James Smith, R.A.A.F., and his brother, Ted. W. K.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**MARLBOROUGH BRANCH OUTING**

Nearly all the towers in the Branch were represented at the annual outing on September 26th, which was organised and directed by the Rev. Roger Keeley (Branch Ringing Master). The party of 65 was accommodated in two coaches.

The first objective was the Cathedral campanile at Chichester, which was reached at 10.30 a.m. Ringing here was much enjoyed, although the 82-step climb defeated some of the older members. A pleasant hour was later spent at Feltham, where we met Mr. and Mrs. Wake. A picnic lunch was taken at Bognor Regis in the warm sunshine. We reached Lyminster as a wedding had just ended, and the happy couple received an extra send-off with some good Wiltshire ringing for an hour. The party divided at Washington, one coach remaining, and the other proceeding to Storrington. Some good ringing took place at both towers. After a short stop for refreshments at Winchester home was reached about 11 p.m. Miss Winifred Keys is thanked for helping in the programme, and also the Ringing Master, incumbents and tower captains.

W. A. E.

80th Birthday Peal

Mr. Albert H. Lawton, for many years tower captain at Broughton, Staffs, celebrated his 80th birthday by taking part in a peal of Grandsire Triples on these bells. Although his visits to the belfry have been infrequent of late, he finished the peal as fresh as a daisy. Afterwards he entertained those taking part with refreshments. His friends wish him continued health to ring in many more anniversary peals.

BRISTOL UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATION HAVE HUNTING HORN

Tudor Edwards, who, with Pat Bird, was joint organiser of the Bristol University Society's tour of the Welsh Borderlands which started at Cound on August 27th, purchased a hunting horn. Whether it was to rally the party or to enliven tired spirits the report does not state.

Among the unusual incidents were the snapping of the clapper of the tenor halfway through the first touch at Ellesmere; at Whittington ringing Whittingtons in some Devon-style call changes; at Ruabon a local ringer was heard to say: 'I see there is a paper called "The Ringing World."'

Sunday ringing was organised by Tudor Edwards and after motoring separately we assembled near the Runcorn-Widnes bridge before proceeding to ring for and attend Matins at Halewood. We rang some Bristol on this pleasant light eight. At the next tower, Childwall, as might be expected, we rang a touch of Childwall and, after lunching in the Chinese manner, we met at Liverpool Cathedral. After the luxury of a lift to the bells, we verified that two double-decker buses could indeed be driven between the bells and the tower walls.

We had several unsuccessful attempts at Major on Woolton bells, but we managed a good touch of Stedman Triples. The tour finished on a good note with several touches of Cinques on the delightful bells of St. Nicholas', Liverpool.

We should like to thank Pat Bird and Tudor Edwards for their work in organising the tour, and also all incumbents and local ringers for allowing us to ring their bells.

C. M. and E. G. M.

DAVENTRY, NORTHANTS, HALF-DAY

Daventry ringers enjoyed a half-day outing to four Bedfordshire octaves on September 19th. The fine bells at St. Owen's, Bromham, which stands in a beautiful parkland setting, were the first attraction; the unique dedication was the source of much speculation. Here we discovered that our coach driver was a ringer and a member of the Naseby band. A run through Bedford and the country lanes beyond, with a glimpse at the airship hangars at Cardington and the Maypole, at Ickwell Green, brought us to Biggleswade, where we had tea after a pleasant session on the Gillett and Johnston eight.

Although the springy new rope on the tenor at Clifton put off some, we managed, with the help of Messrs. Mayes and Bywaters, to produce some passable ringing on the tuneful little eight. A 12-mile journey (plus diversions) through Clophill (notorious for murder and black magic), Maulden and Amptill, where we waved madly at David Hoare, who failed to recognise us, and we came to Woburn to renew acquaintance with the Mears bells and some old friends, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Spavins and the Vicar. By not attempting anything more difficult than Cambridge we managed our best ringing of the day. At Towcester we refreshed ourselves for the last short journey home.

We would like to thank those who allowed us to ring and those who met us, yet again confirming that ringers can always depend upon a welcome in Bedfordshire. N.C.

SHROPSHIRE RINGERS IN THE LAKE DISTRICT



Included in the picture are Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. F. Beech, Miss Marian Cotton, Messrs. E. V. Rodenhurst, Michael Wycherly, George Morrall, Ian Friends and Peter Morris.

NINE Shropshire ringers and friends from Staffordshire left for Ambleside on August 29th in a mini-bus driven by Dick Morris and spent a happy week in the Lake District. On Sunday there was morning and evening service ringing at Ambleside and a tour of Lake Coniston in the afternoon.

The best touch of the tour was rung at Workington on Monday (Double Norwich). Other towers visited that day were Cocker-mouth, Aspatria and Keswick. The great love of people for their bells was evident at Keswick with a ringers' corner in the graveyard

directly under the bell tower. The panoramic engraving of surrounding peaks and ancient ringers' orders here were interesting.

Four eights were in Tuesday's programme—at Egremont, St. Bees, Hensingham and Cleator Moor, a fine heavy eight which turned over slowly. The Latin inscription on the wall behind each rope at Penrith (visited with Appleby on Wednesday) was a novelty.

Thursday was spent in the Lancashire part of the Lakes, with ringing at Broughton, Barrow-in-Furness (difficult to handle), Alverston and Hawkshead. On Friday Bowness, Kendall, Ambleside and Langdale were visited. Thanks are due to Marian for her organisation, and also to incumbents and local ringers.

OUTING

TWERTON-ON-AVON

More than half of the 27 ringers participating in the Twerton-on-Avon outings on September 16th were under 15, and it was perhaps appropriate that at the first tower, West Overton, near Marlborough, where Captain T. Mansfield-Robinson is head ringer, the bells are rung regularly by a band of school-children. Hungerford bells, augmented to eight in 1927 by Mears and Stainbank, were easy to handle, and the ten at Newbury really worth a visit. The inspiring thing here was the way the bells were rung by youngsters—their good beat in call changes rather showed up the seniors' Caters.

After lunch, Mr. Hibbert and his son were waiting for us at East Ilsey, the lightest eight in Berkshire. Ringing at Wantage was curtailed by a wedding. Faringdon, with its beautiful octave, hung by Taylors in 1926, has the shortest central tower we have seen. We

had here a really topping pull, ending with Queen's at the bottom. Our only tower after tea was the five at Great Coxwell. The bells, which have not the best of reputations, had been specially oiled for our visit, which coincided with a farewell to the Rector (the Rev. E. Wicks). As we had two organists with us and a host of choir members, we finished here with 'The Halleluia Chorus' from 'The Messiah.' We conclude with grateful thanks to all who helped to make the outing so enjoyable.

Cowbridge Ringers at University

The Doubles peal band who have been active at Cowbridge Glam., this year attempted a final peal at Llanblethian before two of their number departed for University. Trouble with a pulley wheel limited the ringing to a quarter of Plain Bob Doubles, called from the tenor by Lew Groom—his first as conductor. Best wishes from all local ringers to Gareth Jones at St. John's College, Cambridge, and to Paul Evans at Birmingham University.

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QUARTER PEALS

ADELAIDE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—On Sept. 29th, at St. Peter's Cathedral, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. O. Goulter 1, Kaye W. Lynas 2, H. Greenhalgh 3, F. N. Smeaton 4, R. K. Russ 5, W. B. Pitcher (cond.) 6, D. J. Bleby 7, R. A. S. Adams (first on eight) 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Jean Ireland, a member of the band, who died on September 22nd.

ALDERTON, NORTHANTS.—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Hall 1, Pauline Kingstone 2, Daphne Webb 3, H. Hall 4, G. Atkins (cond.) 5. First quarter 2 and 3, in their own tower. For Harvest Festival.

BARTON ST. DAVID, SOMERSET.—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles: T. Bryant 1, Miss J. Crocker 2, F. White (cond.) 3, Mrs. L. Crocker 4, R. Parker 5, W. Prescott 6. For the Harvest Festival.

BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.—On Sept. 28th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): R. C. Heazel 1, R. J. Brown (cond.) 2, E. W. Furbank 3, J. H. Stith 4, A. Pryke 5, Rung half-muffled in memory of George Sewell, a life member of the Essex Association and former ringer at this church, who was interred in the churchyard earlier in the day.

BUCKLAND, BERKS.—On Sept. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): C. R. Miles 1, C. Evans 2, J. Strawford 3, A. J. Hutt 4, C. I. J. Pearce (cond.) 5, A. C. Carter 6, C. Timms 7, F. C. Carter 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. M. K. Beavant, interred earlier in the day.

BURMARSH, KENT.—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): F. Fagg 1, Mrs. M. Watts 2, Mrs. R. Wratten (cond.) 3, Miss A. Rayner 4, B. Watts 5, W. Beeching (first quarter) 6. Harvest Festival Evensong.

CALVERLEY, YORKS.—On Sept. 13th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: S. Roberts 1, P. M. Dawson 2, Olivia A. Marshall 3, R. J. Lumley (cond.) 4, W. Lee 5, P. Wheatley 6, D. Thorp 7, R. Waddington 8. For evening service. Also on Sept. 24th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: P. M. Dawson 1, Olivia A. Marshall 2, R. J. Lumley (cond.) 3, R. A. Appleby 4, W. Lee 5, P. Wheatley 6, D. Thorp 7, R. Waddington 8. A diamond wedding compliment to Mr. H. Hall, verger at this church.

CARDIGAN.—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Doubles (Siedman, Plain Bob and Grandsire): Sian Evans 1, S. R. Thomas 2, A. F. Walters (cond.) 3, J. D. Thomas 4, R. Pateman 5, D. P. Griffiths 6. A compliment to Miss Sian Evans, who is leaving for Bristol to train as a physiotherapist.

CHALFONT ST. GILES, BUCKS.—On Sept. 29th, 1,300 Plain Bob Doubles: Lesley Knowles 1, G. B. Thompson (cond.) 2, P. R. Davies 3, B. Edwards 4, S. Lilly 5, D. H. Cremin 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam H. Bryn Rees, for 18 years a lecturer at Newland Park College, also Derek Ogden and E. M. Atkins.

COLATON RALEIGH, DEVON.—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Carole Everitt 1, Patricia Pavey 2, Valerie E. Mellish (first as cond.) 3, Peter Pavey 4, C. C. Deem 5, J. D. Walker 6. For Harvest Festival.

COPT OAK, LEICS.—On Sept. 26th, 1,260 Minor (Single Oxford, Plain Bob): Pat Farmer (first quarter) 1, S. Hall 2, Mary Barras 3, R. Hughes 4, C. W. Hall 5, F. Chambers (cond.) 6.

DROITWICH SPA, WORCS.—At St. Peter-de-Wilton, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Jennifer Stone-Wigg 1, R. Skerratt 2, Sylvia Cater 3, S. Bridge 4, P. Cattermole (cond.) 5, M. J. Guise 6. The first quarter on the bells since restoration and first by a local Sunday service band for 25 years. Rung for Matins, and in grateful memory of Mr. W. Lewis, tower captain of St. John in Bedwardine, Worcester.

ECCELESTON, LANCs.—On Sept. 27th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: J. Nelson (cond.) 1, E. Hunter (first quarter) 2, B. Lee 3, L. Walmsley 4, D. Marsden 5, W. H. Hunter 6. For Harvest Festival Evensong.

ELSTOW, BEDS.—On June 28th, 1,320 Minor (Woodbine T.B. and College Exercise T.B.): G. Seth 1, Miriam Pettitt 2, Susan Law 3, M. Marriott 4, R. F. Law 5, R. H. French Conducted jointly by R. F. Law and R. H. French. A birthday compliment to Miss M. Pettitt. Also on July 5th, 1,320 Minor (Norwich Surprise and College Exercise T.B.): Same band, conducted by R. H. French. Also on Aug. 8th, 1,260 Minor (three methods): Susan Folkes 1, G. Seth 2, Miriam Pettitt 3, Susan Law 4, R. H. French 5, R. F. Law (cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to Miss S. Law. Also on Aug. 9th, 1,320 Minor (Cambridge Surprise and College Exercise): G. Seth 1, Miriam Pettitt 2, Susan Law 3, M. Marriott 4, R. F. Law 5, R. H. French (cond.) 6.

ELTHAM, KENT.—On Sept. 28th, 1,260 Siedman Triples: Mrs. E. J. Coode 1, K. Small 2, E. J. Coode 3, F. Hurrell 4, P. Clarke 5, R. Clarke 6, G. Clarke (cond.) 7, R. Rowley 8. Harvest Festival Evensong.

EXETER, DEVON.—At the Church of St. Thomas, on Sept. 20th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: W. A. Theobald 1, Ann E. Fellows 2, Margaret A. Boulton 3, M. F. Lock 4, J. R. Ketteringham 5, N. Mallett 6, P. M. Fleckney 7, D. R. Boulton (first of Surprise as cond.) 8. With good wishes to Frederick Ross, on the day of his ordination as deacon at York Minster; also in memoriam E. M. Atkins.

EXETER, DEVON.—At the Church of St. David, on Sept. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (with 7, 6, 8 covering): R. Boobier (first of Doubles) 1, Mrs. P. Pavey 2, G. Skinner 3, A. White 4, P. Pavey (first as cond.) 5, R. Jones (first quarter) 6, P. Colton 7, M. Lock 8. For Harvest Festival Evensong.

FAVERSHAM, BERKS.—On Sept. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Terry 1, F. Pack 2, D. Nicholson 3, F. Farnsworth 4, B. Lemnitz 5, W. Palin (cond.) 6, E. Eades 7, G. Nicholson 8.

FILTON, GLOS.—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Doubles (April Day, Plain Bob): Miss R. Morse 1, Miss M. Haslum 2, D. Haslum 3, D. Voss 4, A. Howard (cond.) 5, F. Sheldon 6. In memory of the Rev. C. R. Haslum, former Rector.

FINCHAMPSTEAD, BERKS.—On Sept. 28th, 1,440 Easthamstead Delight: Minor: Sandra Goodship 1, G. C. J. Murrell 2, Joan A. Rance 3, S. G. Scott 4, A. J. Rance 5, F. C. Price (cond.) 6. First quarter in the method.

FINDON, SUSSEX.—On Sept. 29th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: B. J. Stone 1, Angela Grainger 2, R. I. Vaughan 3, M. J. Bew 4, J. R. Norris 5, J. C. Baldwin (cond.) 6. For the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels.

FROME, SOMERSET.—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Frances M. Massey 1, D. G. Massey 2, Eunice D. Overend 3, B. A. Payne 4, P. Bray 5, G. W. Massey (cond.) 6, N. T. Abbott 7, H. Vennell 8. For Evensong, and a farewell to Rev. R. Vincent, curate, on his appointment as Rector of Hewish.

FULHAM, LONDON.—At the Church of All Saints, on Sept. 20th, 1,296 Grandsire Caters: Jean M. Eerton 1, Deborah Hopkins 2, M. J. Uphill 3, R. Hedges 4, J. E. Reed 5, N. R. Waite 6, L. C. Way 7, P. A. Brand 8, A. S. Bishop (cond.) 9, J. L. Bell 10. First on ten 1 and 4. For Evensong.

GRANTHAM, Lincs.—On Sept. 27th, 1,080 Plain Bob Royal: G. C. Colborne (first on ten bells) 1, Miss C. Lewis 2, D. A. Frith 3, D. R. Baxter (first of Royal as cond.) 4, F. W. Pinchbeck 5, C. S. M. Nokes 6, J. R. Holmes 7, P. A. Slight 8, L. Squires 9, H. R. Woods 10. For Harvest Festival Evensong.

GODALMING, SURREY.—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): R. J. C. Hagley 1, Nicolai Stroud 2, J. W. Hagley 3, N. Stroud 4, Elizabeth Stevinson 5, P. G. Stroud 6, H. Jones 7, N. Smith 8. For Harvest Festival Evensong.

HANLEY CASTLE, WORCS.—On Sept. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Haylings 1, J. Mead 2, Joan Gaine 3, M. Boskett 4, P. Robertson (first as cond.) 5, M. Hawkes 6.

HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS.—On Sept. 6th, 1,440 Norwich Surprise Minor: J. K. A. Cook 1, P. Woolven 2, C. L. Bell 3, A. J. Davey 4, D. F. Murfet 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service. Also on Sept. 27th, 720 Cambridge Surprise, 540 Plain Bob Minor: R. B. Davey 1, J. K. A. Cook 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, A. J. Davey 4, H. S. Peacock 5, P. Woolven (cond.) 6. For morning service.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: L. P. Brain (14) 1, S. J. Hammond (13) 2, L. J. Parry (15, first 'inside') 3, H. W. Egglestone (cond.) 4, C. F. Loke 5, R. C. Groom (15) 6. For morning service.

HIGH LITTLETON, SOMERSET.—On Sept. 14th, 1,440 Single Oxford Bob Minor: Mrs. B. Wicox 1, Mrs. H. Kimber 2, Mrs. E. Ford 3, J. Naish 4, T. W. Kimber 5, S. J. Orman (cond.) 6. To mark the golden wedding this day of Mr. W. J. Gait, the tower captain.

HUNTINGDON.—At All Saints' Church, on Sept. 27th, 1,440 Ipswich Surprise Minor: R. Bellamy 1, P. Woolven 2, G. E. Bowham 3, J. K. A. Cook 4, F. R. Nicholls 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. Harvest Festival morning service.

HUSBORNE CRAWLEY, BEDS.—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Linda Templeman (first quarter) 1, K. C. Fleming 2, Barbara Butterworth 3, Christine Templeman 4, R. Churchill (cond.) 5, Elizabeth Cochin 6. For Harvest Festival Evensong.

HYDE, CHESHIRE.—On Sept. 27th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Margaret Booth 1, Ann Hardman 2, M. Mortin 3, J. Wood 4, J. Walker (first quarter) 5, C. H. Dewnap 6, J. A. Booth 7, A. F. Scholfield (cond.) 8. For Harvest Festival.

HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.—On Sept. 27th, 1,320 Grandsire Doubles: S. J. Dowse 1, R. Blackshaw 2, M. W. Harrison 3, J. A. Heaps 4, C. R. Larkin 5, D. Barker 6. For Evensong.

KETTERING, NORTHANTS.—On Sept. 27th, 1,280 Kent T.B. Major: D. Wicheh (first of T.B.) 1, R. Turner 2, J. G. Mitchell 3, C. Clarke 4, D. Bowen 5, S. Collins (first of T.B. Major as cond.) 6, J. Mitchell 7, A. Idle 8. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

LEYLAND, LANCs.—On June 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss B. Yapp 1, J. Nelson (cond.) 2, L. Walmsley 3, F. Bentham 4, G. Cunliffe 5, J. E. Sumner 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Sir Henry Spurrier, by employees of Leyland Motors Ltd.

LITTLE WITTENHAM, BERKS.—On Sept. 21st, 1,260 Doubles (11 methods): L. Woodbridge 1, D. Slade 2, G. McIlhorne (cond.) 3, R. Heyworth 4, A. Johnson 5.

LLANBLETHIAN, GLAMORGAN.—On Sept. 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: I. Davies 1, C. Ricketts 2, E. N. Thomas 3, G. H. Jones 4, P. M. Evans 5, W. J. Lewis Groom (first as cond.) 6.

LOIS WEEDON, NORTHANTS.—On Sept. 19th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. Linnell 1, C. E. Truman 2, W. J. Chester 3, M. Saunders 4, G. W. Holland 5, W. A. Yates (cond.) 6. Rung for the wedding of Diane Hinton and Andy Hunt.

LOWER BEEDING, SUSSEX.—On Sept. 26th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss I. Gocher 1, M. Turner 2, D. D. Smith 3, I. Davey (first of Major) 4, Miss D. Mullins 5, J. R. Norris 6, J. D. Nelson 7, G. Francis (cond.) 8.

LYME REGIS, DORSET.—On Sept. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Angela Quick 1, D. Ellery (first 'inside') 2, H. G. Keeley 3, C. W. Powell 4, Mrs. C. W. Powell 5, F. G. Knight 6, G. S. Morris (cond.) 7, M. Hillier 8. For the Patronal Festival.

NETHERBURY, DORSET.—On Sept. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Tither 1, John Davis 2, M. Hillier 3, F. A. Knight 4, Jesse Davis (cond.) 5, W. Lewis 6. For Harvest Festival.

NUTFIELD, SURREY.—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Annabelle Russell (first quarter) 1, G. Olliver 2, Diane Bird (first 'inside') 3, F. W. Bird 4, W. Dunn (cond.) 5, K. Richardson 6. For Harvest Festival.

OUTLANDS PARK, SURREY.—On Sept. 27th, 1,280 Doubles Norwich Court Bob Major: R. Caporn 1, Miss J. Palmer 2, Miss G. Mooring 3, Miss J. Smith 4, B. White 5, B. Rogers 6, H. Colcombe 7, C. Webb (cond.) 8.

ORSETT, ESSEX.—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 St. Simon's Doubles: S. D. Holdaway 1, Miss V. Mathews 2, Miss J. E. M. Hills 3, D. G. Mayell (cond.) 4, Mrs. D. G. Mayell 5, F. W. Batch (50th quarter on these bells) 6. A farewell to S. D. Holdaway, who is leaving to enter the Church.

OXENDON, NORTHANTS.—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. J. Millward 1, D. E. Griffin 2, L. W. Allen 3, P. Bosworth 4, E. Martin (cond.) 5. For Harvest Thanksgiving, and the 40th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Allen.

PADBURY, BUCKS.—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. Thatcher 1, W. A. Yates 2, F. Vickers (cond.) 3, C. Gough 4, R. A. Vickers 5, A. Thatcher 6. Rung for Evensong.

PETER TAVY, DEVON.—On Sept. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. J. Cann 1, Doris A. Bray 2, W. C. Boucher (cond.) 3, G. E. Mudgate 4, J. C. Mitchelmore (first quarter) 5, L. R. Cundy 6.

PORTISHEAD, SOMERSET.—On Sept. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Lane 1, R. Gale 2, Mrs. O. Simmonds 3, A. Gould 4, F. Sandy 5, N. Coombs 6, Rev. R. O. Fry (cond.) 7, D. Gale 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam the Rev. Preb. W. L. M. Coombes, O.B.E., Rector of Portishead, 1946-1964, interred this day.

PUTNEY, LONDON.—On Sept. 27th, 1,288 Grandsire Triples: Julie Armstrong 1, S. C. Walters 2, Alison M. Mann 3, Ruth Carr 4, B. J. Bull 5, D. C. Brookes 6, C. F. Mew (cond.) 7, J. E. Price 8. Rung to celebrate the ordination to the priesthood of Tony Clayton. Past Master of this tower, 41 Southwark Cathedral this day.

RADSTOCK, SOMERSET.—On Sept. 13th, 1,260 Doubles (Siedman, Plain Bob and Grandsire): Hazel Young 1, Brenda Ashman 2, E. Brown 3, J. Hulbrook 4, F. Carter 5, C. Brown 6. For Evensong, and to celebrate the birth of a daughter (Rachel Jane) to Rodney and Joan Thatcher.

RODBOURNE CHENEY, WILTS.—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Siedman Doubles: W. B. Kynaston (cond.) 1, Janis Allen 2, R. White 3, D. Dancy 4, D. Carr 5, F. Broughton 6. First of Siedman by all except the conductor. For Harvest Festival, and as a compliment to the Rev. A. R. Good, curate, on his ordination as priest.

QUARTER PEALS

OFFTON, SUFFOLK.—On Sept. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: W. Minns 1, E. J. Lockwood 2, G. R. Goodship 3, R. E. Lester 4, Miss S. L. Goodship 5, Mrs. E. J. Lockwood (cond.) 6. First quarter as conductor. Rung for Evensong on the occasion of the visit of the Diocesan Bishop, Dr. A. H. Morris.

ROTHERHAM, YORKS.—On Aug. 30th, 1,295 Grandsire Caters: Tessa Hollis 1, Mrs. N. Chaddock 2, Mrs. M. Burns 3, J. H. Bruce 4, I. Tilling 5, D. Nichols 6, N. Chaddock (cond.) 7, N. Donovan 8, J. N. D. Chaddock 9, P. Walker 10. A farewell to the ringer of the 5th, who is leaving to take up a position in Uganda.

ST. LAURENCE-IN-TANET, RAMSGATE, KENT.—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Richards (first quarter) 1, Mrs. N. Bridges 2, T. H. Holmes 3, M. Ostler 4, D. L. Cawley 5, F. C. W. Knight (cond.) 6. To welcome the Bishop of Croydon at Harvest Festival Evensong.

SHEPTON MALLET, SOMERSET.—On Sept. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. R. Young 1, K. Mason 2, T. R. Hobbs 3, T. Rose (first of Triples) 4, D. A. Burt 5, G. T. Hawkins (cond.) 6, Rev. R. O. Fry 7, A. F. Lee 8. A welcome to the Rector (the Rev. L. A. B. White), former chairman of the Bath Branch and Vicar of Twerton-on-Avon.

SOUTHGATE, LONDON.—At Christ Church, on October 4th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Helen Davey 1, Margaret Moore 2, S. G. Peck 3, W. Wainwright 4, J. Weaver (cond.) 5, R. O'Connell 6. For Evensong, and a wedding compliment to Monica Moore and John Jelley, who were married the previous day; also a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Hazell.

SOUTHWARK, LONDON.—At the Cathedral, on Sept. 20th, 1,311 Stedman Cinques: W. D. Grainger 1, M. T. Sprackling 2, Mrs. O. L. Rogers 3, D. W. Struckett 4, C. H. Rogers (comp. and cond.) 5, D. P. Smith 6, C. T. Richards 7, W. G. Wilson 8, C. M. Meyer 9, J. W. Smith 10, H. W. Rogers 11, L. W. Bullock 12. For Nave Evensong.

SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.—On Sept. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples (half-muffled): G. Kenward 1, W. Austin 2, J. Clarke 3, G. Naylor 4, S. Dobbie 5, W. Palin (cond.) 6, B. Jemmett 7, F. Pack 8. Rung in memory of George Eastman, many years a ringer at Sittingbourne.

STEEP, HANTS.—On Sept. 29th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Elizabeth Whitome 1, T. R. Whitome 2, Gail Coulton 3, L. J. M. Smith 4, C. E. Bassett (cond.) 5, R. A. Stone 6.

STISTED, ESSEX.—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Patricia Lindsell 1, Josephine Quilter 2, J. A. Warner 3, Jennifer Syder 4, A. R. Syder (cond.) 5, R. J. Lindsell 6. For Harvest Festival.

SWINDON, WILTS.—At Christ Church, on Sept. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss W. Marriot (first of Triples) 1, Miss J. Davidge 2, G. Wheeler 3, M. Penney 4, Miss S. Little 5, E. Sutton 6, M. Stanley (cond.) 7, L. Picknell 8.

TONBRIDGE, KENT.—On Sept. 20th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: R. A. Large 1, Sheila M. Dobbie 2, W. H. Rogers 3, Ann Jenner 4, S. Jenner 5, V. J. Benning 6, W. H. Dobbie (cond.) 7, L. T. Pope 8. Rung to mark the commencement of the Tonbridge United Churches Mission 'Faith for a new age.'

TUTBURY, STAFFS.—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Minor (St. Clement's and Plain Bob): C. T. Collins 1, Lucy Smith 2, Marlene E. Townsend 3, C. W. Bowen 4, L. E. Monk 5, C. M. Smith (cond.) 6. Rung with the best wishes of the band to J. Michael Stephens, ordained deacon this day in Canterbury Cathedral.

WANDSWORTH, LONDON.—At the Church of All Saints, on Sept. 11th, 1,263 Stedman Triples: J. Salter 1, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 2, Alison M. Mann 3, R. Hedges 4, R. J. Cooles 5, A. R. Millidge 6, M. J. Bangham 7, J. H. Gaze 8. A compliment to Gerda Barcel and John Price, on their engagement. Also on Oct. 2nd, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: N. F. Edwards (first of Major) 1, Katharine M. Guy 2, T. Lewis 3, Alison M. Mann 4, R. J. Cooles 5, D. P. Smith 6, A. R. Millidge 7, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 8. For the first birthday of Peter, son of Susan and John Bell, of All Saints, Fulham.

WIMBLEDON, SURREY.—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: M. Bangham (50th quarter) 1, Margie Ness 2, Judith Geiringer 3, Rosamund Rawlings 4, Elizabeth Zass 5, Vanessa Rodrigues 6, A. Bagworth (cond.) 7, W. Cooper-Bailey 8. Also on Sept. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Elizabeth Zass 1, Vanessa Rodrigues 2, Rosamund Rawlings 3, Judith Geiringer 4, M. Bangham (cond.) 5, D. Cocke 6, A. Bagworth 7, W. Cooper-Bailey 8.

WHISSENDINE, RUTLAND.—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Doubles (Canterbury Pl., Plain Bob): T. Field 1, R. Smith 2, J. T. P. Thorpe 3, H. T. Bonshor 4, C. E. Cooper (cond.) 5, P. Bontoft (first quarter) 6. For Harvest Festival.

WIDFORD, ESSEX.—On Oct. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Marion R. Pantou 1, J. Crawley 2, A. R. Groves 3, M. J. Cowling 4, P. G. Brown 5, I. R. Pantou 6, P. J. Eves (cond.) 7, D. A. S. Symonds 8. For Harvest Festival.

WIGSTON MAGNA, LEICS.—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss R. J. Walkin 1, T. F. Harrold (cond.) 2, Miss J. M. Whait 3, R. Chapman 4, R. J. Carter 5, B. C. Law 6, C. H. F. Knight 7, R. J. Welch (first quarter) 8. For Harvest Festival Family Communion.

WITHYHAM, SUSSEX.—On Sept. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Jane Osbon (first quarter) 1, Rosemary Heighes 2, H. Vaughan 3, R. Jean Osbon 4, R. D. Divall 5, R. Osbon 6, E. J. Ladd (cond.) 7, C. A. Osbon 8. For Patronal Festival.

WEDNESBURY, STAFFS.—On Sept. 20th, at the Church of St. Bartholomew, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: D. Willets (first on 10) 1, Miss C. Turner 2, P. Bryan 3, D. Cadwallader 4, A. Hubble 5, R. Staite 6, M. Cadwallader 7, M. Turner (cond.) 8, B. Morton 9, J. Hingley 10. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. F. Asbury, formerly of this parish, who died the previous Monday. Also on Sept. 27th, 1,260 Erin Triples: D. Willets 1, Miss C. Turner 2, A. Hingley 3, R. Staite 4, B. Morton 5, M. Cadwallader 6, M. Turner (cond.) 7, J. Hingley 8. First of Erin 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6. For Harvest Festival.

WOODBURN, BUCKS.—On July 25th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Stella G. Rice 1, Peggy E. Taylor 2, Frances P. Gilbert 3, C. Godfrey 4, J. R. Norris 5, M. J. Bew 6, D. D. Smith 7, B. G. North (cond.) 8.

WORCESTER.—On Sept. 10th, at St. John's Church, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. H. Compton 1, Mrs. J. Evenden 2, S. T. Holt (cond.) 3, J. Hinton 4, R. Adams 5, J. J. Jeffries 6, R. Ashmore 7, R. Woodyatt 8. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to William Lewis, Ringing Master of St. John's for over 30 years, interred this day.

WOTTON UNDERWOOD, BUCKS.—On July 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Wendy Bird 1, Peggy E. Taylor 2, C. Godfrey 3, Stella G. Rice 4, D. D. Smith (cond.) 5, B. J. Stone 6.

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Mr. Shirley Burton is the fourth Leicester ringer to complete the century of peals of Surprise Maximus, the others being Peter J. Stanforth, Herrick B. Bowley and William J. Root. Will anyone interested in ringing a peal at Leicester Cathedral, who has rung 100 Surprise Maximus peals, please contact Herrick B. Bowley, 108, Anstey Lane, Leicester, who is endeavouring to find 12 ringers who have completed this century.

We are informed that the peal at Curry Mallett (p. 669) was rung on September 19th and not August 19th.

The peal at Harrow Weald was also rung to celebrate the birth of a son to the Vicar and Mrs. D. Bond.

Husborne Crawley, Beds. have a promising young ringer in Lunda Templeman, aged 12, who handled her bell very well in her first quarter on September 27th.

Blaby, Leicestershire, ringers are very proud of ten-year-old Steven Thompson who, reports the conductor, 'rang the treble superbly' to his first quarter on October 4th.

Miss Sian Evans, who is leaving Cardigan for Bristol to train as a physiotherapist, rang in her farewell quarter. She learned to ring after Cardigan bells were rehung in 1961 and has so far rung in nine quarter peals.

The ringers of the 9th in the peal of New Cambridge Royal at St. John-the-Divine, Leicester, on September 5th ('R.W.' page 654) was Brian S. Chapman and NOT Brian S. Cope, as submitted.

One of the oldest tower foremen in the country is Mr. Fred Foster, of Bosbury, Herefordshire. His 90th birthday was marked by a quarter peal on September 25th.

We regret to learn that Mr. Albert J. Dunk, of Stockbury, has undergone a serious operation at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, Rochester. His many friends in the Rochester District wish him a complete and speedy recovery.

Ringling the tenor to Grandsire Triples at Monken Hadley, Middlesex, on October 4th was Mr. W. Langley, whose 84th birthday was the previous day. He has rung at this tower for 40 years.

BELFRY GOSSIP

Congratulations to Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd on completing 50 years this month as a ringer. He writes: Despite all that has been written, I do not think we thought of our ringing as a sport. We did not perhaps think of it very carefully at all, except that it was a very desirable thing to do; but our being in the belfry at all was a natural consequence of our being attached to the church, having had years of choirboy work, and we just as naturally took this as part of our church observation.

Mr. R. Kingsley Mason inquires, 'Was Mr. John Jelley sweating as much as I was on the afternoon of October 3rd'?

Mr. George E. Fearn's peal week in Hampshire and Dorset was very successful with 10 peals being rung. Another peal was secured at Oxford en route.

On May 10th, 1939, the first peal was rung at Willington, Sussex and taking part was Miss Betty Rayfield, age 16 years, Eastbourne's first lady bellringer. On October 3rd, 1964, 25 years later her daughter, also aged 16 years, conducted a peal of Bob Minor in the same tower.

The members of York Minster Society wish to associate the name of Frank Atkinson with the peal of Plain Bob Maximus rung on October 3rd. Frank is now 82 and has been a Minster ringer for 36 years. He has talked of retiring from ringing but is still a regular attender.

Ringling at St. John's Church, Longton, North Staffordshire, has been disrupted by further education. Michael Colclough has gone to London University, Christopher Tunnicliffe to Birmingham and Sheila Woodward to Newcastle-upon-Tyne. They take with them the best wishes of the band and hope to ring with them in the holidays.

Mrs. S. M. Beck, of the Vicarage, Church Crookham, Aldershot, is encouraged by the response so far received in selling Christmas cards on behalf of Guildford Cathedral Bell Fund. Her subject is the photograph of the Madonna and Child at the West End of the Cathedral. She is charging 5s. per doz. for the cards, including envelopes.

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THE FOLLOWING FOR THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

ANDOVER, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.
On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 21 lb. in F.	
Jack L. Millhouse Treble	D. John Hunt 5
Norah M. Randles 2	*George H. Randles 6
Clifford Skidmore 3	Geoffrey Paul 7
Gillian M. Hussey 4	George E. Fearn Tenor

Composed by Roger Baldwin.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

SOUTHAMPTON, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb. in E flat.	
Jack L. Millhouse Treble	*Colin W. Reed 6
Gillian M. Hussey 2	George H. Randles 7
Beryl N. Reed 3	D. John Hunt 8
Clifford Skidmore 4	Frank E. Darby 9
Geoffrey Paul 5	George E. Fearn Tenor

Composed by Frederick Dench.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

* 100th peal.

WHITCHURCH, Hampshire.—At the Church of All Hallows.

On Mon., Sept. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. F sharp.	
Jack L. Millhouse Treble	Robert W. Hinde 5
Norah M. Randles 2	Frank E. Darby 6
Gillian M. Hussey 3	D. John Hunt 7
Clifford Skidmore 4	George E. Fearn Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

SOBERTON, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Tues., Sept. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb. in G.	
Robert W. Hinde Treble	George H. Randles 5
Gillian M. Hussey 2	George E. Fearn 6
Norah M. Randles 3	Frank E. Darby 7
Geoffrey Paul 4	D. John Hunt Tenor

Composed by Norman Smith.

Conducted by D. John Hunt.

NEW ALRESFORD, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Wed., Sept. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb. in F.	
Jack L. Millhouse Treble	George H. Randles 5
Frank E. Darby 2	D. John Hunt 6
Clifford Skidmore 3	Geoffrey Paul 7
Robert W. Hinde 4	George E. Fearn Tenor

Composed by S. J. Ivin.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

BISHOPSTOKE, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Wed., Sept. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in F sharp.	
Jack L. Millhouse Treble	Geoffrey Paul 5
Norah M. Randles 2	George E. Fearn 6
Robert W. Hinde 3	D. John Hunt 7
Clifford Skidmore 4	Frank E. Darby Tenor

Composed by S. J. Ivin.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

WESTBOURNE, Sussex.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Fri., Oct. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5152 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in G.	
Jack L. Millhouse Treble	George H. Randles 5
Norah M. Randles 2	Frank E. Darby 6
Clifford Skidmore 3	Robert W. Hinde 7
D. John Hunt 4	Geoffrey Paul Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

PORTSMOUTH, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Mary, Portsea.

On Fri., Oct. 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5152 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 7 lb. in F.	
Jack L. Millhouse Treble	Colin W. Reed 5
Beryl N. Reed 2	Geoffrey Paul 6
Clifford Skidmore 3	D. John Hunt 7
Frank E. Darby 4	George E. Fearn Tenor

Composed by R. F. B. Speed.

Conducted by D. John Hunt.

THE FOLLOWING FOR THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

WIMBORNE ST. GILES, Dorset.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Thurs., Oct. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in F.	
Jack L. Millhouse Treble	Robert W. Hinde 5
Beryl N. Reed 2	Geoffrey Paul 6
Clifford Skidmore 3	D. John Hunt 7
Frank E. Darby 4	George E. Fearn Tenor

Composed by N. J. Piistow.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

WAREHAM, Dorset.—At the Church of Lady St. Mary.

On Thurs., Oct. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb. in E.	
Norah M. Randles Treble	George H. Randles 5
Clifford Skidmore 2	Colin W. Reed 6
George E. Fearn 3	Robert W. Hinde 7
Jack L. Millhouse 4	Geoffrey Paul Tenor

Composed by Chas. W. Roberts.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

TOWER BELL PEALS

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(WIRRAL BRANCH.)

BEBINGTON, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 15 lb. in A flat.	
*Leslie N. S. Smith Treble	*Donald Peers 5
*Alan L. Coventry 2	*F. Leslie Coventry 6
†Graham S. Beecroft 3	*James M. Pemberton 7
*Anthony P. Foster 4	Alexander J. Martin Tenor

Composed by J. R. Pritchard.

Conducted by Alexander J. Martin.

* First peal of Major. † First peal.

Rung to welcome Rev. R. J. Johnston to the parish.

NORBURY (Hazel Grove), Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Thomas.

On Tues., Sept. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F.	
Anne P. Smith Treble	Rev. Christopher J. Rees 5
*Shelagh M. Coyne 2	Frank Osbaldiston 6
†Robert B. Smith 3	Edmund Shuttleworth 7
Derek F. Yates 4	Basil Jones Tenor

Composed by J. R. Pritchard.

Conducted by Basil Jones.

* First peal. † 50th of Plain Bob Major.

TAXAL, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor 11 cwt.	
*Shelagh M. Coyne Treble	Derek F. Yates 4
Anne P. Smith 2	Edmund Shuttleworth 5
Anne Harris 3	John A. Harrison Tenor

Conducted by Edmund Shuttleworth.

* First peal of Minor.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

BRIDGERULE, Devon.—At the Church of St. Bridget.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. in A flat.	
William Hibbert Treble	Reginald G. Hooper 5
*Rodney M. Cann 2	Harry Stacey 6
Edgar Nunn 3	Brynley A. Shackleton 7
Derek Jewell 4	Francis A. White Tenor

Composed by J. W. Parker.

Conducted by Brynley A. Shackleton.

* First peal of Grandsire Triples 'inside' and first on a 'working bell.'

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

MALDON, Essex.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., Sept. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in F.	
Ian V. Foster Treble	Joe E. G. Roast 5
Peter J. Eves 2	Patrick W. Saltmarsh 6
*Philip J. Rothera 3	†James L. Towler 7
†Dennis A. S. Symonds 4	Ian R. Pantom Tenor

Composed by Frederick Dench.

Conducted by Ian R. Pantom.

* First peal of London. † 50th together. First of Surprise Major as conductor.

WORMINGFORD, Essex.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Thurs., Oct. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor 8 cwt.	
Brian J. Vaughan Treble	*Stephen D. Humphrey 4
*Lesley Ward 2	Frank B. Lufkin 5
Neil V. Avis 3	Peter G. Pitt Tenor

Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.

* First peal 'inside.' The conductor's 600th peal.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

WILLINGHAM, Cambs.—At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Tenor 12½ cwt.	
Being seven extents, viz: London, Wells, York, Beverley, Ipswich, Norwich and Cambridge.	
Donald E. Murfet Treble	Kenneth J. Hesketh 4
Jane K. Cook 2	Geoffrey A. Lucas 5
George E. Crisp 3	George E. Thoday Tenor

Conducted by George E. Thoday.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BRISTOL.—At the Cathedral Church of the Holy and Undivided Trinity.
On Fri., Sept. 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5056 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 21 cwt. 1 lb. in E flat.

Cliff Richards Treble	† Patrick J. Bird 5
Jennifer M. Taylor 2	James R. Taylor 6
*Gillian M. Hussey 3	*† D. John Hunt 7
Michael J. Hobbs 4	Don. C. Exell Tenor

Composed by S. J. Ivin. Conducted by D. John Hunt.
*† 75th peal together. † First of London Major, 100th as conductor.

Rung to mark the engagement of D. John Hunt and Gillian M. Hussey.

SOUTH CERNEY, Gloucestershire.—At All Hallows Church.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In five methods, being one extent each of Cambridge, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., St. Clement's and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

Mrs. W. A. Godwin Treble	Roland T. Wakefield 4
William A. Godwin 2	Peter Wakefield 5
Michael J. Cook 3	Bruce Wakefield Tenor

Conducted by Bruce Wakefield.
Rung as a welcome to the Rev. Dr. P. Stacey Lewis.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BUSHEY, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. James-the-Apostle.
On Thurs., Oct. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5088 NORTHAMPTONSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb. in F sharp.

Christine Rimmer Treble	Vernon Green 5
Elsie K. Hart 2	Martyn L. J. Jordan 6
H. George Hart 3	Roger Baldwin 7
Robert N. Harris 4	Christopher W. Woolley Tenor

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by Roger Baldwin.
First peal in the method by all the band.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, Kent.—At the Church of St. Peter.
On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt. 3 lb. in F sharp.

* Derek Slater Treble	Frank H. Hicks 5
Bernard V. Collison 2	† Edward J. Jenner 6
John A. Howard 3	† Ernest J. Ladd 7
Herbert W. Woolven 4	W. Arthur Riddington Tenor

Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by Ernest J. Ladd.
* First peal in the method. † 50th together.
Rung as a birthday compliment to B. V. Collison.

HALLING, Kent.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being one extent each of York, Durham, Beverley, Surfleet, London, Wells and Cambridge. Tenor 11 cwt. in F sharp.

Cyril S. Jarrett Treble	Monty W. Gilbert 4
Christopher T. Osenton 2	David S. Osenton 5
Trevor A. Cross 3	Bernard F. L. Groves Tenor

Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.

CHARING, Kent.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents. Tenor 13 cwt. 15 lb. in G.

* John L. Anderson Treble	Alexander Waddington 4
Mrs. P. T. Robbins 2	Ian H. Oram 5
* Rhian N. Bagshaw 3	Rev. P. T. Robbins Tenor

Conducted by Ian H. Oram.
* First peal. Rung on the eve of the dedication festival.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

DEANE, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Mary.
On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In 17 methods, being 384 each of Ashted, Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Lindum, London, Pudsey, Rutland, Superlative and Uxbridge. 256 Bristol, 192 each of Cassiobury, Cornwall, Cray, Glasgow, Jersey, Ospringe and Yorkshire, with 139 changes of method. Tenor 12½ cwt.

Richard J. Parker Treble	Ernest Bennett 5
Jean M. Pailing 2	Cyril Crossthwaite 6
Philip J. Crossthwaite 3	Norman Smith 7
James H. Pailing 4	Walter E. Wilkinson Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Norman Smith.
Greatest number of methods rung to a peal of Spliced Surprise Major by all the band and for the Association.

ACCRINGTON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Mon., Sept. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 11½ cwt.

Walter E. Wilkinson Treble	J. Colin Ashworth 5
Richard J. Parker 2	Derek Butterworth 6
Brian A. Tomlinson 3	Trevor N. J. Bailey 7
Norman Smith 4	Harry Parkes Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Norman Smith.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

STONEY STANTON, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Michael.
On Fri., Sept. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt.

Garry W. Mason Treble	John M. Jelley 5
Martin C. Faulkes 2	Leslie N. Melton 6
A. Maxwell Lindsey 3	Roland H. Cook 7
Alan E. Hartley 4	R. Kingsley Mason Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by John M. Jelley.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in B.

R. Kingsley Mason Treble	Alan E. Hartley 5
A. James Pynor 2	* Dan S. Pont 6
Rev. M. C. C. Melville 3	Alfred E. Rushton 7
Ronald J. Sharp 4	Stephen Ivin Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Stephen Ivin.
* First peal in the method.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

GAINSBOROUGH, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of All Saints.
On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 19 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lb.

Grace Burchnall Treble	A. Robin Heppenstall 5
Katharine Burchnall 2	William L. Exton 6
Anne E. Bateson 3	Colin W. Reed 7
Beryl N. Reed 4	Geoffrey R. Parker Tenor

Composed by E. W. Tipler. Conducted by A. Robin Heppenstall.

DUNHOLME, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Chad.

On Mon., Sept. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In five methods, being two extents each of Cambridge Surprise and Kent T.B. and one each of Oxford T.B., Single Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

Margaret A. Parker Treble	Walter S. Smith 4
Paul Coddington 2	Geoffrey R. Parker 5
William R. Parker 3	Louis Willders Tenor

Conducted by Louis Willders.

Rung for the wedding of Miss Christine Elizabeth Tindall and Mr. Trevor Smith, both ringers at the above church; also a farewell to the ringer of the second, who is leaving for Manchester University.

OXFORD.—At the Cathedral Church of Christ.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5152 STEDMAN CINQUES
Tenor 30 cwt. in C sharp.

Jack L. Millhouse Treble	Robert W. Hinde 7
Joyce M. Gurnhill 2	Gerald C. Hemming 8
Norah M. Randles 3	George H. Randles 9
Peter A. Sharp 4	Geoffrey Paul 10
Geoffrey J. Hemming 5	Frank E. Darby 11
* Geoffrey R. Parker 6	George E. Fearn Tenor

Composed by John E. Chikott. Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.
* 400th peal.

QUADRING, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Margaret.

On Mon., Sept. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents in the following seven methods: (1) Bourne, (2) Durham, (3) Surfleet, (4) York, (5) Beverley, (6) Ipswich, (7) Cambridge. Tenor 10 cwt.

Denis Woods Treble	Ronald C. Noon 4
George W. Massey 2	Cyril R. Burrell 5
Roger D. Bailey 3	Raymond H. Daw Tenor

Conducted by Roger D. Bailey.

Rung as a token of respect to Miss Emma Banks, of Gedney, one of the earliest members of the Guild, who died the previous day, aged 90, R.I.P.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

WILLESDEN, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. Mary.
On Thurs., Sept. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5152 BRENT SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

Thomas J. Lock Treble	Dennis Knox 5
Joan Beresford 2	G. William Critchley 6
Claudia A. Critchley 3	John Hill 7
Alick Cutler 4	John R. Mayne Tenor

Composed by Dennis Knox. Conducted by John R. Mayne.
The first peal in the method. Mr. A. Cutler has now rung peals in 250 different Surprise Major methods. This is the 200th such method on these bells.

BRENT SURPRISE MAJOR :

-58-14. 58-58. 36. 14-14. 58-36-38. 2nds place i.e. 17856342. 4ths place bobs.

HARROW WEALD, Middlesex.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Wed., Sept. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 OXHE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 7 cwt, 3 qr, 3 lb, in A

Freda Clayton Treble	H. George Hart 5
Elsie K. Hart 2	Bernard E. Matthews .. 6
Susan E. Smith 3	John R. Mayne 7
Bryan C. Burrough .. 4	William S. Deason Tenor

Composed by Harold G. Cashmore.

Conducted by John R. Mayne.

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

A wedding compliment to David J. Taylor and Janet Ferrari, who were married at this church on September 26th.

TOTTENHAM, N.17.—At the Church of All Hallows.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt, 2 qr.

Eric Edmondson Treble	Gerald Penney 5
Thomas J. Lock 2	Herrick B. Bowley 6
A. James Poyner 3	Russell S. Morris 7
Ruth M. Foreman 4	Robert B. Smith Tenor

Composed by Arthur Knights (C.C.C. No. 28).

Conducted by Robert B. Smith.

Rung as a compliment to Monica M. Moore and John M. Jelley, who were married at St. Mark's Church, Wood Green, this day.

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

SWYNNERTON, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., Sept. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents, different callings. Tenor 7 cwt, 1 qr, 8 lb.

William Watkin Treble	† David J. Midgley 4
* Lesley Kinston 2	Eric Young 5
E. Marion Key 3	Barnabas G. Key Tenor

Conducted by Barnabas G. Key.

* First peal. † First of Bob Minor.

A compliment to Mr. H. Watkin, father of the treble ringer, on his 84th birthday.

KEELE, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Mon., Sept. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Norwich Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., St. Clement's Bob, Plain Bob and Single Oxford Bob.

Tenor 6 cwt.

Elizabeth M. Snell Treble	Richard Wharton 4
* Barbara G. Dale 2	Dennis Latham 5
Norman Sherratt 3	Walter Sherratt Tenor

Conducted by Dennis Latham.

* First peal of Minor.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

REDENHALL, Norfolk.—At the Church of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 24 cwt, in D.

* Olive D. Tester Treble	* Colin A. Tester 5
Jean L. Lavender 2	Kevin S. Hohl 6
Ann Jenner 3	Stanley Jenner 7
H. William Barrett .. 4	Stewart F. Kimber Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

Conducted by Stanley Jenner.

* 100th peal together.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Janet Hohl.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

BLEWBURY, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Hevwood's Transposition. Tenor 19 cwt, 2 qr.

Harold W. Dunsden Treble	Claude Corderoy 5
*† Denby P. Murduck .. 2	Geoffrey K. Dodd 6
Reginald F. Crook 3	Robert B. Blond 7
* Philip Murduck 4	Peter Corderoy Tenor

Conducted by Robert B. Blond.

* First of Stedman. † 25th peal.

Rung within the octave of St. Michael and All Angels and also as a birthday compliments to Charles Williams, of Welshpool, 81 this day, and a ringer for 70 years.

WEST HANNEY, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. James-the-Great.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED TREBLE BOB MINOR

Consisting of 60 methods in the following seven spliced extents: (1) Barham, Oswald, Pembroke, Edinburgh, Berkeley, Kentish Delight, Watford and Berwyn T.B., (2) Nelson T.B., Knutsford, Skipton, Rotherne, Chesham, Bagedone, Fotheringay, Wilmslow, Balmoral and Ely Delight, Hull and Bourne Surprise, (3) Surfleet, Hexham, Beverley, Berwick, Cambridge and Primrose Surprise, Burslem and Waltham Delight, (4) Surfleet, Hexham, Beverley, Berwick, York and Durham Surprise, (5) Cambridge, Primrose, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull and Bourne Surprise, (6) Old Oxford, College Bob IV, Willesden, Newdigate, Neasden, St. Albans, Wragby, Charlwood, Braintree, Humber, Marple, Taxal, Clarence and Elston Delight, Morning Star T.B., (7) Sandal, London Scholars, Kingston, Capei, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury, Ockley and Oxford T.B., Carisbrooke, Wath, Donottar and Pontefract Delight, with 155 changes of method and a plain lead of each included.

Tenor 18½ cwt.

Derek Carr Treble	† Gordon W. Land 4
* Edward R. Venn 2	†† Anthony R. Peake 5
† Brian Bladon 3	* Robert C. Kippin Tenor

Conducted by Anthony R. Peake.

* Most methods to a peal. † Most Treble Bob methods to a tower bell peal. †† 250th peal. The greatest number of Minor methods to a peal in the county and for the Guild.

Rung in memoriam Mrs. G. V. Bladon, mother of Brian Bladon, who passed away on September 18th.

STANTON HARCOURT, Oxon.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Mon., Sept. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being an extent each of Kent and Oxford T.B., Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Childwall, Double and Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt.

Peter Pearce Treble	† David Floyd 4
Peter G. Holden 2	D. Kay Adkins 5
* James F. List 3	Bertram J. Coggins Tenor

Conducted by D. Kay Adkins.

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

Rung for the Patronal Festival.

EASTHAMPTSTEAD, Berkshire.—At the Church of SS. Michael and Mary Magdalene.

On Fri., Oct. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 EASTHAMPTSTEAD DELIGHT MINOR

Comprising seven extents. Tenor 8 cwt, 2 qr, 17 lb, in A.

Joan A. Rance Treble	Stanley G. Scott 4
Graham C. J. Murrell .. 2	A. John Rance 5
Frank W. Lewis 3	Frank C. Price Tenor

Conducted by Frank C. Price.

First peal in the method.

Rung on the eve of the institution and induction of the Rev. Colin A. C. Hill to the Church of SS. Michael and Mary Magdalene, Easthamptstead.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

OLNEY, Buckinghamshire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 25 cwt.

* Roy Keeves Treble	Barry E. Saunders 5
Roger W. Smith 2	Charles E. Truman 6
† David Taylor 3	Arthur Gibbs 7
Alan A. Paul 4	George W. Holland Tenor

Composed by N. J. Piistow.

Conducted by George W. Holland.

* First of Treble Bob. † First of Surprise Major.

A wedding compliment to Elizabeth Bowyer and Charles Knight.

GRAFTON UNDERWOOD, Northants.—At the Church of St. James.

On Mon., Sept. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 7 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

in four methods, being one item of St. Simon, nine Plain Bob (four callings), 12 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure (eight callings), 18 Grand-sire (ten callings) and Pitman's 240.

Tenor 7½ cwt.

* William J. Beddoe Treble	Roy H. Jones 3
* Hilary Knight 2	Frank E. Coales 4

Peter M. Fleckney Tenor

Conducted by Roy H. Jones.

* First peal for the Guild: first as conductor for the Guild.

Rung for the Festival of St. Michael and All Angels.

EASTHAMPTSTEAD DELIGHT MINOR:

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

BIRMINGHAM.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.
On Thurs., Sept. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
 In eight methods, being 1600 London, 1280 Rutland, 640 Bristol, 352 each of Cambridge and Superlative, 320 each of Lincolnshire and Pudsey and 255 Yorkshire, with 110 changes of method.

Tenor 10 cwt, 1 qr, 10 lb, in A.
 Muriel Reay Treble Martin D. Fellows 5
 J. Alan Ainsworth 2 John C. Eisel 6
 Michael J. Fellows 3 Norman J. Goodman 7
 Roderick W. Pipe 4 George E. Fearn Tenor
 Composed by A. J. Pitman.
 Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

* First peal of Spliced Surprise.
 Rung with the best wishes of the band for Frederick Ross, who was ordained a Deacon at York Minster the previous Sunday.

SHIRLEY, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. James-the-Great.

On Wed., Sept. 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
 In nine methods, being 1920 London, 640 each of Bristol and Rutland, and 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative, Watford and Yorkshire, with 129 changes of method.

David R. Ingram Treble Jennifer M. B. Cook 5
 Roderick W. Pipe 2 Michael J. Fellows 6
 John R. Insley 3 Clifford A. Barron 7
 James Insley 4 George E. Fearn Tenor
 Composed by A. J. Pitman.
 Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.
 * First peal of Spliced Surprise. Tenor 6 cwt, 1 qr, 1 lb, in B flat.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

YATESBURY, Wiltshire.—At the Church of All Saints.
On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in 12 methods/variations, consisting of 480 each of All Saints, Rushell, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Cliffords Pleasure, Southrepps, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Northrepps, Plain Bob, April Day, Kennington and 120 each of Dedworth and Grandsire.

Colin Smith Treble Dennis A. Powney 3
 Pamela A. Osborne 2 K. Barry Osborne 4
 Derrick P. Bailey Tenor
 Conducted by Derrick P. Bailey.

First peal in 12 methods by all. First peal on the bells since the recasting of the third. Tenor 9 cwt, in G.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

WOLVERHAMPTON, Staffs.—At the Collegiate Church of St. Peter.
On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 33 cwt, 21 lb, in D flat.
 John W. V. Conduct .. Treble Francis Brotherton 6
 Howard Howell 2 Philip G. K. Davies 7
 Elizabeth Timmins 3 Geoffrey Davies 8
 Remi M. Hodister 4 Michael J. Fellows 9
 Maurice G. Ingram 5 Martin D. Fellows Tenor
 Composed by H. Tucker.
 Conducted by Geoffrey Davies.
 * First peal on ten bells.

BROUGHTON, Staffs.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Wed., Sept. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part (7th observation). Tenor 15 cwt, 1 qr, 8 lb.
 Elizabeth Roberts Treble Harold Roberts 5
 Barnabas G. Key 2 David Hawksworth 6
 Albert H. Lawton 3 Roger L. Hawksworth 7
 E. Marion Key 4 William Watkin Tenor

Conducted by Barnabas G. Key.
 A compliment to the third ringer on his 80th birthday, and to Mr. and Mrs. J. Fortnam, of Ashley, for their 50th wedding anniversary.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

HOLME PIERREPONT, Notts.—At the Church of St. Edmund.
On Wed., Sept. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents each of Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Single Oxford and one extent of Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt, 3 qr.
 S. Jane Dowse Treble George A. Dawson 4
 Robert D. Marsh 2 William L. Exton 5
 Ruth Blackshaw 3 Maurice W. Harrison Tenor

Conducted by William L. Exton.
 * First in four Minor methods.
 Rung half-muffled as a token of respect for H. Owen Wood, who suddenly passed to higher life on Sunday, September 27th.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

WILLINGDON, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.
On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 10 cwt, 1 qr, 4 lb, in A flat.
 Robert W. R. Percy .. Treble Thos. M. Barlow 4
 Janet E. Biscoe (17) .. 2 Mrs. Betty Percy 5
 Janet M. Percy (16) .. 3 Alan R. Baldock Tenor

Conducted by Janet M. Percy.
 * First peal attempt. † 25th peal together. First as conductor.
 Rung to inaugurate the launching of the Christian Stewardship Campaign and for Harvest Thanksgiving. Also a 17th birthday compliment to Janet E. Biscoe.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

ALTON, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Lawrence.
On Sun., Sept. 20, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 18 cwt, 1 qr, 20 lb, in E.
 *Anne Biddlecombe .. Treble Brian R. Walton 5
 *Susan V. Wood 2 Ernest J. Hedger 6
 *Harold A. Moody 3 Rex J. Corke 7
 †Lesley J. Read 4 Lawrence J. Noakes .. Tenor

Conducted by Rex J. Corke.
 * First peal. † First of Triples. First as conductor.
 Rung to welcome Rev. Marc Trickey, ordained Deacon earlier in the day at Winchester Cathedral, as Curate in the parish.

GOODWORTH CLATFORD, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Fri., Oct. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being four 240's (Morris's and Pitman's) and 24 extents (ten callings). Tenor 10 cwt.
 *David N. Close .. Treble Terry Tarrant 4
 †Mrs. Jane Tarrant 2 Geoffrey K. Dodd 5
 John Pares 3 Walter F. Mulford Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.
 * First peal. † First of Doubles on a 'working bell.'
 Rung to welcome a grandson, born September 24th, 1964, to the singer of the third.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

CRADLEY, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Peter.
On Wed., Sept. 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5152 LINCOLN SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt, 11 lb, in G.
 David R. Ingram .. Treble John C. Eisel 5
 Edward W. Colley 2 Michael J. Fellows 6
 John R. Insley 3 Roderick W. Pipe 7
 Martin D. Fellows 4 Clifford A. Barron Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.
 First peal in the method by all the band except the conductor.

OVERBURY, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Faith.

On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 9½ cwt.
 *Barry Collens .. Treble David C. Trenfield 4
 Ian Lloyd 2 Arthur C. Berry 5
 †Ronald M. Loxley 3 James Attwood, jun. .. Tenor

Conducted by James Attwood, jun.
 * First peal of Minor. † First of Minor 'inside.' First as conductor.

A wedding compliment to Miss A. Gladwell and Bernard H. Pitt, who were married on September 12th at Essendon, Herts.

SEDGLEY, Staffordshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., Oct. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5088 SEDGLEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt, 4 lb, in F.
 Roderick W. Pipe .. Treble Martin D. Fellows 5
 Susan Funnell 2 Michael J. Fellows 6
 John R. Insley 3 Norman J. Goodman 7
 Edward W. Colley 4 Clifford A. Barron Tenor

Composed by Charles J. Sedgley.
 Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.
 The first peal in the method.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

YORK.—At the Cathedral and Metropolitan Church of St. Peter.
On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 49 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5016 PLAIN BOB MAXIMUS

Tenor 59 cwt, 1 qr, 23 lb.
 *Sedman H. Steel .. Treble Harold Walker 7
 Barry Holland 2 Christopher J. Groome 8
 *David Pearson 3 Michael Maskell 9
 †Michael Staniforth 4 John N. D. Chaddock 10
 A. W. Alan Leggett 5 Colin Reeves 11
 *Margaret E. Wilkinson .. 6 James A. D. Woolford Tenor

Composed by J. Reeves.
 Conducted by James A. D. Woolford.
 * First peal on 12 bells. † First of Plain Bob Maximus. First peal in the tower since 1892.

Rung by members of the York Minster Society to the Glory of God and as a welcome to Dr. Alan Richardson, as Dean of York.

NORTHWRAM, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Matthew.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Middleton's. Tenor 15 cwt.
 J. Henry Fielden .. Treble A. Barry Sullivan 5
 Roger J. Lumley 2 W. George Turner 6
 Anne E. Parkin 3 Wilfrid F. Moreton 7
 David Smith 4 J. Neville Parkin Tenor

Conducted by J. Henry Fielden.
 Rung for Harvest Festival.

SEDGLEY SURPRISE MAJOR, No. 21:

κ 58 x 16 x 12 x 38 x 14 x 38, 14, 36, 14, 78. i.e. 12-15738264.

HANDBELL PEALS

THE HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BUSHEY, Hertfordshire.—At 5, Moat Close.

*On Wed., Sept. 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 17 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In eight methods, being 1440 each of London and Rutland, 640 Bristol, and 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire. Tenor size 13 in E.

*S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. 1—2 | Roger Baldwin 5—6
John R. Mayne 3—4 | †Gerald Penney 7—8

Arranged and Conducted by Roger Baldwin.

* 250th peal. † First peal of Spliced on handbells.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

HAWKSHEAD, Lancashire.—At Betty Fold.

*On Tues., Sept. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 16 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Tenor size 15 in G.

Robin Shuttleworth .. 1—2 | Mary Whalley 3—4
Joseph Whalley (cond.) .. 5—6

Rung on the 15th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. Whalley.

THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

All rung at SWANSEA, Glam.—At Mor-Awelon, Lon Derw, Tycoch.

*On Mon., Aug. 24, 1964, in 1 Hour and 57 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Seven extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
J. Arthur Hoare 5—6*On Mon., Aug. 24, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 VELINDRE BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
J. Arthur Hoare 5—6

First peal in the method: 34, 16 x 16, 34, 56, 1.h.=12-54632.

*On Mon., Aug. 24, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Seven extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
J. Arthur Hoare 5—6*On Mon., Aug. 24, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Seven extents (294 Singles). Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
J. Arthur Hoare 5—6

The maximum number of Singles that can be rung in a peal of Plain Bob Minor. This is the first time that five handbell peals have been rung in one day.

*On Tues., Aug. 25, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 GOWER COLLEGE BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
J. Arthur Hoare 5—6

First peal in the method: 34, 16 x 1236 x 36, 1.h.=12-36245.

*On Tues., Aug. 25, 1964, in 1 Hour and 52 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 KENT AND OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Seven extents, 86 changes of method. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
J. Arthur Hoare 5—6

First peal of Spliced Kent and Oxford T.B. Minor on handbells by all and for the Guild.

*On Wed., Aug. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours.***A PEAL OF 5040 CHILDWALL COLLEGE BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
J. Arthur Hoare 5—6

First peal in the method by all and for the Guild.

*On Wed., Aug. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 4 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size minus 3 in G.

Hazel Way 1—2 | J. Arthur Hoare 5—6
Brian J. Woodruffe .. 3—4 | Edmund J. Morris .. 7—8

Arranged and Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

First peal on the bells, the smallest handbells yet rung to a peal.

*On Thurs., Aug. 27, 1964, in 1 Hour and 58 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 WAVERTREE COLLEGE BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
J. Arthur Hoare 5—6

First peal in the method by all and for the Guild.

On Thurs., Aug. 27, 1964, in 1 Hour and 47 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 REVERSE CANTERBURY PLEASURE BOB MINOR

Seven different extents.

Tenor size 10 in A.

Hazel Way 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
J. Arthur Hoare 5—6

First peal in the method by all and for the Guild.

*On Fri., Aug. 28, 1964, in 1 Hour and 56 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 RODBOURNE COLLEGE BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents.

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
J. Arthur Hoare 5—6

First peal in the method.

*On Fri., Aug. 28, 1964, in 1 Hour and 52 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In 12 methods: (1) Childwall College Bob, (2) Heatherslade College Bob, (3) Buxton College Bob and St. Clement's College Bob, (4) Gower College Bob and St. Nicholas College Bob, (5) Double Plain Bob and Fulbeck Bob, (6) Abertawe Bob and Velindre Bob, (7) Oxford Bob and Plain Bob, with 77 changes of method. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
J. Arthur Hoare 5—6

First peal in 12 Minor methods on handbells by all and for the Guild.

*On Mon., Aug. 31, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 HEATHERSLADE COLLEGE BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents.

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
J. Arthur Hoare 5—6

First peal in the method: 34, 16 x 36, 12, 36, 1.h.=12-36245.

*On Fri., Sept. 4, 1964, in 1 Hour and 53 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 HORSMONDEN BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents.

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
J. Arthur Hoare 5—6

First peal in the method on handbells.

*On Sun., Sept. 6, 1964, in 1 Hour and 56 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE OXFORD BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents.

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
J. Arthur Hoare 5—6

First peal in the method by all and for the Guild.

*On Sun./Mon., Sept. 6/7, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 ULLSWATER BOB MINOR**

Seven extents.

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
J. Arthur Hoare 5—6

First peal in the method: x 16 x 16 x 36, 1.h.=12-36245. (Originally known as Wakefield College Bob, this method has been renamed to avoid confusion with Wakefield Surprise.)

*On Fri., Sept. 11, 1964, in 1 Hour and 54 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 THELWALL BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents.

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
J. Arthur Hoare 5—6

First peal in the method on handbells.

*On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 1 Hour and 48 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 PINEHURST BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents.

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
J. Arthur Hoare 5—6

First peal in the method on handbells.

*On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 1 Hour and 49 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 DYNEVOR COLLEGE BOB MINOR**

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ENGAGEMENT

SMITH—JACKSON.—The engagement is announced of Julian W. T. Smith, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Smith, of Battle, Sussex, to Mollie Jackson, of North Tidworth, Hampshire. 5569

DEATH

SHORTER, Nora.—On October 5th, 1964, suddenly at 15, Russell Road, Walton-on-Thames, beloved sister of Violet Lathbury. 5534

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

BENNETT, Peter S.—From October 17th my address will be College Farm, Bearley, Stratford-upon-Avon. Regret no telephone. Work telephone (8.45-5.15) Birmingham Central 9944, extension 3155/6. 5542

PRICE.—The temporary address of Mr. Fred Price while at Washington will be c/o Mr. and Mrs. Alfred B. Fitt, 3.504, Macomb Street N.W., Washington, D.C. 5543

SIMON.—The address of Nicholas W. H. Simon during University term-time will be Badock Hall, Stoke Bishop, Bristol 9. 5535

PERSONAL

'So that the people could not discern the noise of the shout of joy from the noise of the weeping of the people: for the people shouted with a loud shout and the noise was heard afar off.' (Ezra iii, 13.)

PUBLICATIONS

THE CHURCH BELLS OF GUERNSEY, ALDERNEY AND SARK. Price, including postage, 8s. 6d., to be obtained from the author, Mr. Frederick Sharpe, 'Derwen', Launton, Bicester, Oxfordshire. 5538

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MISCELLANEOUS

DORSET RINGING FESTIVAL.—Blandford. Owing to the damaged tower there will not be any festival this year. 5563

SOCIETY OF RAMBLING RINGERS

Annual Reunion and Dinner, Saturday, December 5th, at the Coppice Hotel, Littleover, Derby, 7 for 7.30 p.m. Tickets 22s. 6d. each. N.B.—Next year's tour (1965) will commence on Saturday, July 3rd. 5532

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GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION—Chippengham Branch.—Meeting Shipton Moyne October 21st. Bells (6) available from 7 p.m. Ringing till 9 p.m. No business meeting.—H. Heath. 5572

ST. EDITHA'S CHURCH, TAMWORTH.—Bellringing practice night is now on each Wednesday. Visitors welcome on Sundays 10.10.45 a.m., and 5.45-6.30 p.m., and on Wednesday 7.15-9 p.m. 5567

MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION—Glastonbury Branch.—Meeting at Baltonsborough (6) on Saturday, October 17th. Bells 3 p.m.; service 4.30; tea and meeting. Names for tea, please.—P. Hull, Hon. Sec., Dinder, Wells. 5514

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION—Hunts. District.—Meeting at Gt. Gransden (6), Saturday, October 17th. Bells 3 p.m.; service 4.30; tea 5 p.m. Ringing in the evening.—Michael J. Dyer, Ring. Sec. 5520

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD—Leatherhead District.—Meeting at Banstead, October 17th. Ringing at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. followed by tea and meeting. Notifications for tea to Mr. H. N. Pitstow, Saffron, High Street, Banstead, Surrey. 5514

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.—North and West Branch.—Practice at Westleigh, Saturday, October 17th, 3.30 p.m. All welcome. Rounds to Cambridge. Names for tea to the Rev. E. Shepherd Walwyn, The Vicarage, Westleigh, Instow 26. 5551

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern and Bishop's Stortford District.—Joint meeting October 17th. Great Amwell 3-5 p.m. Broxbourne 6-8 p.m. There will be no formal business meeting. Please make own tea arrangements.—D. H. Kingston. 5523

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION—St Albans District.—October 17th South Mimms. Bells (6) 3 p.m.; service 4.30; tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. J. Frost, 38, Blanche Lane, South Mimms, Barnet, Herts. Monken Hadley (8) 6.30-8.30 p.m.—M. A. Coburn. 5500

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—Annual meeting, Saturday, October 17th, St. Dunstan's, Canterbury. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.15 p.m., tea follows in Church Hall, business meeting afterwards. Other ringing arrangements available on receipt of S.A.E. Those requiring tea please notify District Secretary, Mr. T. C. Phillimore, 47, Peter's Grove, Canterbury. 5469

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION—Rochester District.—Annual District meeting at Rochester Cathedral on October 17th. Service 3.15 p.m. Bells available 4.15. Tea and meeting at Elizabeth's of Eastgate, High Street only for those who notify Mr. M. Layton, 19, Burleigh Close, Rede Court Road, Strood, at 4.45 p.m., followed by further ringing until 9 p.m.—L. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5515

LADIES' GUILD (Central District), OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch) and MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION (S. and W. District).—Joint meeting, Saturday, October 17th, at St. John's, Hillingdon. Bells (10) from 3. Service 4.45 p.m., tea and evening social in St. John's Hall. Iver bells (8). 2.30-3.45. Buses 458 and 207 connect. Notifications for tea appreciated. All welcome.—Miss J. Spreadbury, Miss D. Hague and F. W. Goodfellow, 46, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks, Hon. Secs. 5473

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD—Bicester and District Branch.—Annual meeting, Launton, Saturday, October 17th (6). Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m.; tea 4.45 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. Kinch, 3, The Causeway, Bicester. 5517

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD—Chipping Norton Branch.—Autumn meeting at Enstone on Saturday, October 17th. Bells (6) 3 p.m.; service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea to: Mr. E. J. Townsend, Chapel Lane, Shipton-under-Wychwood, Oxford. 5496

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD—Sonning Deanery Branch.—A combined practice will be held at Binfield on October 17th at 6 p.m. Special methods: Kent and Oxford T.B. Minor.—B. Castle. 5545

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.—Quarterly meeting, Shirley, October 17th. Bells (8) available 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Meeting 6 in St. James's School.—G. E. Fearn, Hon. Sec. 5449

SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS and SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD (Mansfield District).—Joint meeting at Greasley (8) on Saturday, October 17th, at 2.45 p.m. Tea at 4.30 followed by service. Names for tea to Mr. D. Beach, Sec., 17, Coach Drive, Eastwood. 5524

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Joint practice meeting of the Southern and Western Divisions at St. Nicholas', Brighton (10), Saturday, October 17th. Bells 3 p.m.; tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierpoint. 5516

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD—Basingstoke District.—Quarterly meeting at Wolverton, Hants, on Saturday, October 17th. Bells 2.30; service 4.30; tea 5. Names for tea to J. Chesterman, Leacroft, Sherborne St. John, Basingstoke, Hants. 5511

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—Practice meeting, Yatton, Tuesday, October 20th. Bells available 7-9 p.m.—M. de Jong. 5552

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Syston District.—Evening meeting at Sibley on October 21st. Ringing 7.15 until 9 p.m. All members and ringing friends welcome.—R. R. Brown, Hon. Sec. 5562

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION—Western Branch.—An evening practice meeting at North Elmham on Wednesday, October 21st. Bells available from 6.30. Next quarterly meeting at Gaywood on Saturday, November 21st. Please make every effort to attend.—C. T. 5525

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Derby District.—Monthly meeting at Duffield (10), Friday evening, October 23rd, 7 o'clock.—M. A. Willis, Dis. Sec. 5549

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Axbridge Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Lympham (6), Saturday, October 24th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business.—M. Legg, Hon. Sec. 5555

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BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—Quarterly meeting, Leighton Buzzard, Saturday, October 24th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m., followed by business and the film 'Ringers Required.' Names for tea to Mr. J. Claop, Top Flat, 32, St. Andrew's Street, Leighton Buzzard, Beds, by Thursday 22nd. All welcome. 5544

DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Lumley Castle follow in at Darlington on October 24th. Meet at St. Cuthbert's 2.30 p.m. Ringing: St. Cuthbert's and Holy Trinity 3-4.45 and 7-9 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church Hall. Service 6.15 p.m. at Holy Trinity. Names for tea by October 22nd to W. N. Park, 372, Coniscliffe Road, Darlington. 5556

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Meeting at Weybridge on Saturday, October 24th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify by the previous Wednesday. Notifications to Mr. T. Lufford, 3 Brides Road, Weybridge, Oatlands bells (8) will be available after the meeting. 5561

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Ludlow and Church Stretton District.—Quarterly meeting Stanton Jay, October 24th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Teas.—G. Randle, Ashford, Ludlow. 5550

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Lewisham District.—Meeting, Saturday, October 24th, at Farningham. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 21st, to Miss M. R. Andrews, 43, Wansunt Road, Bexley. 5558

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—Meeting at Horwich, Saturday, October 24th. Bells 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m.—Thornley, Sec. 5553

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hinckley District.—Meeting, Earl Shilton, October 24th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Church Hall at 5 p.m. Names by the Wednesday previous, please, to Mr. Geo. Newton, 26, Avenue South, Earl Shilton, Leics.—M. Vernon, Dis. Sec. 5548

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—Meeting at Reepham on Saturday, October 24th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Sulle bells (8) available. Names for tea to Mr. W. Ford, Market Place, Reepham. NOR 69 X. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m.—C. Bird, Hon. Sec. 5465

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Saturday, October 24th, Amersham. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, October 20th, please.—Miss Hague, 6, Stomps Road, Holyport, Maidenhead. 5493

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Salisbury Branch.—October 24th, quarterly meeting. East Knowle. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names by Tuesday, 20th, to G. A. Trimby, 24, West Street, Wilton. 5533

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Division.—Practice meeting changed to **Salhurst** on October 24th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea to I. Smith, Sec., 37, Wellington Gardens, Battle. 5557

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Portsmouth District.—Quarterly meeting, St. Barnabas', Swanmore, October 24th. Bells 3 till 9 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. in Parish Hall. Names for tea to Mrs. Jones, The Laurels, New Road, Swanmore, Southampton, by previous Wednesday, please.—L. Duguid. 5547

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION THE ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

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DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.—The annual meeting will be held at Dudley on October 31st. Service in St. Thomas' Church 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Names for tea to me by October 28th, please. Towers available: 10.15-11 a.m., Brierley Hill (8); 10.45-11.30 a.m., Kingswinford (8); 11.15 a.m.-12.15 p.m., Stourbridge, St. Thomas' (8); 1.30-2.30 p.m., Lye (8, 3½ cwt.); 2.15-3, Cradley (8); 3.15-4.10 and after business meeting, Dudley (10).—M. D. Fellows, Sec., 14, Western Road, Stourbridge, Worcs. 5564

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—The 11th annual dinner will be held in the Saracen's Head Hotel, Chelmsford, on Saturday, October 31st. 6.15, for 6.45 p.m. Tickets (limited number only) 17s. 6d. Obtainable from P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Dansbury, S.A.E. please. Not later than Saturday, October 24th. 5536

LADIES' GUILD.—Central District.—Meeting at Croydon Parish Church, October 31st. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Bells available after tea until 8 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. F. E. Collins, 17, Hamilton Road, Thornton Heath, Surrey, by Wednesday, October 28th. A special invitation is extended to all members of the Southern District. 5536

The half peal rung at Huntingdon, Yorks (page 684), was a wedding compliment to Mr. M. Maskill and Miss D. Park.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Grimsby on Saturday, October 31st. Bells (10) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to Mr. F. Kennington, 211, Robert Street, Grimsby.—C. A. H. 5565

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern Branch.—Meeting, Irnham, Saturday, October 31st. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday, 26th, to Mrs. B. P. Filing, The Griffin Inn, Irnham, near Grantham. Lincs.—F. G. Vickers. 5560

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northampton Branch.—Practice meeting, Little Houghton, Saturday, October 31st. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to B. E. Frost, 40, Foxgrove Avenue, Northampton. 5502

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Central District.—Quarterly meeting, October 31st at Wickham Skeith. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in the Village Hall 5 p.m. for those applying to L. E. Last, Low St., Hoxne, Diss, Norfolk, by Wednesday, October 28th. Business meeting after tea, followed by ringing at Thornham Magna (6) 6.30-9 p.m. All outstanding subscriptions should be paid at this meeting. 5490

TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.—Stratton Branch.—Meeting, Stratton (8), October 31st. Bells 2 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. All welcome. Names to H. Trewin, Marhayes, Broad Close Hill, Bude. Tel. 2513. 5559

SOCIETY OF CHANGERINGS FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

The annual dinner will take place on Saturday, November 7th, 6 p.m. for 6.30 p.m. At Taylor's Restaurant, Cannock. Tickets 13s. 6d. Apply (with remittance) to B. G. Key, Sunny-side, Newport Road, Gnosall, Stafford. 5513

**NEWARK PARISH CHURCH
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LATE NEWS

We regret to announce the sudden death of Mr. Albert J. Dunk of Stockbury, Kent, on October 9th, in St. Bartholomew's Hospital, Rochester, after an operation. The sympathy of many friends is extended by friends in the K.C.A. to his wife Dorothy.

WEST WYCOMBE, BUCKS.—On Sept. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Gill Smith 1, L. Hylton 2, Joyce Barton 3, R. Hazell 4, D. Cornwall (cond.) 5, P. G. Harris 6. Rung to celebrate the birth this day of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Francis Dashwood.

ROCHESTER DISTRICT'S FIRST DINNER

Some 70 ringers and friends attended the first dinner of the Rochester District of the Kent County Association held at Holy Trinity Church Hall, Sittingbourne, on September 26th, under the genial chairmanship of Mr. George Spice.

The principal guest was Mr. John Willis, who, in proposing the toast of 'The Rochester District,' gave a detailed account of the progress of the District since its formation. Mr. L. Mitchell, District secretary, replied. Mr. S. V. Rayfield, of Queenborough, proposed 'The Church,' to which the Rev. Stanley Evans, Vicar of Bredgar, a ringer whose tower contains an unringable five bells, replied.

The dinner was well supported by the Association's officers, those present including Mr. P. A. Corby, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. May, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Cross, Mrs. F. A. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. G. Kenward, Mr. G. Naylor, Mr. and Mrs. T. Barton, Mr. and Mrs. E. Barton, Mr. C. Jarrett and Mr. C. T. Osenton (District Ringing Master).

Pianoforte solos were played by Mr. K. Evans, of Strood. Thanks for the success of the social evening are due to Mrs. B. W. May and the dinner committee of Messrs. L. Mitchell, A. J. Dunk and F. J. Cheal.

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BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION—Ilchester Branch.—Corporate Communion, Sunday, October 25th, after Evensong, 7 p.m., at Hardington Mandeville (6).—R. J. Fox. 5570

ESSEX ASSOCIATION—S.E. District.—Meeting Broomfield Saturday November 7th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury, Chelmsford. 5571

ST. ALBANS DISTRICT DINNER—December 5th. Red Lion Hotel, St. Albans. Tickets 17s. 6d. from Miss C. Rimmer, 182, Tippendell Lane, Park Street, St. Albans, Herts. Friends very welcome.—M. A. Coburn, Dis. Sec. 5568

QUARTER PEALS

SWAFFHAM, NORFOLK.—On Sept. 27th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: F. Sutton 1, M. Bryan 2, S. G. Elsey 3, W. W. Cousins 4, R. Newsome 5, E. H. Mastin (cond.) 6, C. Cousins 7, N. V. Harding 8. For Harvest Festival.

SWINDON, WILTS.—On Sept. 28th, 1,299 Stedman Caters: Miss J. E. Davidge (first of Stedman) 1, G. E. Wheeler 2, W. W. T. Daniell 3, Miss S. H. Little 4, W. B. Kynaston 5, M. D. Penney 6, M. J. Stanley 7, A. G. Wells 8, E. Sutton (cond.) 9, P. Minchin 10. Rung half-muffled in memory of Reg Townsend, a ringer at Christ Church for 40 years.

TETTENHALL, STAFFS.—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): P. Day (first quarter) 1, R. Humphries 2, G. Page 3, Mrs. J. Humphries 4, A. G. Newman (cond.) 5, P. Tummy 6, L. Fletcher 7, S. Luckett 8. For Harvest Festival.

TEWKESBURY, GLOS.—On Sept. 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Boskett 1, P. Robertson 2, J. Attwood, jun., 3, M. Hawkes (cond.) 4, A. Halling 5, J. Attwood, sen., 6, E. Leach 7, Rev. P. Brett 8. A farewell to Rev. P. Brett, who is going to St. Peter's, Bourne-mouth.

TWICKENHAM, MIDD.—On Sept. 20th, 1,232 Plain Bob Major: Susan Neal Smith 1, Anne Horsford 2, Dr. Gillian Leale 3, Ann Muir 4, Dr. A. J. Muir 5, Dr. J. Killick 6, Dr. D. J. Neal Smith 7, R. Leale (cond.) 8. Rung for the silver wedding of Dr. and Mrs. Neal Smith, which took place on September 16th.

WHITTLEBURY, NORTHANTS.—On Sept. 16th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): G. Kingston 1, Pauline Kingston 2, Daphne Webb 3, J. Linnell 4, C. E. Truman (cond.) 5.

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