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WILLIAM SNOWDON

SEPTEMBER 17th brings the fiftieth anniversary of the death of William Snowdon, and with it a fresh reminder of the life, work and influence of one of the most important figures in the ringing history of Yorkshire. He was the third son of John Snowdon, M.A. Cantab., who was Vicar of Ilkley for more than twenty-five years. The mother, a Miss Whitfield (from whom Jasper Whitfield Snowdon took his second name) died when the family was still quite young, and the father was left with the problem of bringing up the children. William's destiny was decided almost by accident. In one of her letters his daughter Margaret has described what happened. We may perhaps be permitted to let her speak.

"On a memorable afternoon, Grandfather was taking Jasper and William (my father-to-be) for a walk—when a gentleman meeting them came up and said, 'I cannot pass you, Mr. Snowdon, without expressing my sympathy. I am staying at the Wells House for a complete rest, but we don't know one another.' The stranger then declared himself. His name was Edmund Beckett Denison (the barrister), who curiously was known as the greatest authority on clocks and bells in the country, one who became the first Lord Grimthorpe and restored St. Albans Cathedral. After a chat about the boys' education he said 'It would give me such pleasure to educate one of them. I am a Governor of Christ's Hospital—what about one of these?'"

Jasper, it seems, was too old to be entered and so William was chosen, and (says Miss Snowdon) "one morning my father went off with his father in the coach to Leeds, well labelled like a parcel, 'Snowdon, passenger to Horsham,' which was the Junior School at that time." Jasper went to Rossall School.

The friendship with Lord Grimthorpe continued and had considerable influence on the character and development of the young William; and in these things the kindness and graciousness of Lady Grimthorpe played a big part.

Both Jasper and William later went through the shops at Kitson's Locomotive Works at Leeds and learned to be engineers. Finally they went into business together and were partners until Jasper's untimely death in 1885. For ten years William was engaged to Miss Laura Archer, and in 1883 they were married and took their honeymoon

at Keswick. "My mother," says Margaret, "was Laura Archer—such a pet, who lived to be nearly 91." There are those to-day who knew Laura Snowdon very intimately and who would testify gratefully to the loving kindness and grace of William's wife; but could anyone express their affection so felicitously as the daughter has done in that one simple sentence?

William Snowdon was a good practical ringer, a writer of great clarity and with power to express his very strong convictions in terms that carried weight but could never give offence. To read his letters and speeches in support and defence of Yorkshire Minor ringing is to find revealed a character that stood firm for what he considered right, refused (in true Yorkshire fashion) to admit defeat, yet never lost the fitting dignity of debate nor destroyed his case by overstatement. For twenty years he represented the Yorkshire Association on the Central Council, and remained their President until his death in 1915.

He was keenly interested in the theory of change ringing, and that at a time when the first great efforts were being made to explore the matter scientifically, and among his writings is a considerable essay on the Surprise methods of his day. But his greatest contribution to change ringing was the continuing and extension of the historical and instructional work begun by his brother, Jasper. To him we owe the issue of the books on Grandsire, Stedman and the Surprise methods (all written by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies) and the complete revision of "Standard Methods." These tasks alone would be enough to place him in the front rank of those who have provided the Exercise with indispensable material.

The devotion and self-sacrifice he displayed in all he did were lovingly reinforced by his wife and passed from thence to his daughter, Margaret; for it is to these gracious ladies that we owe the continuance of the Snowdon books. For them it was a labour of love, for they loved as mother and daughter very dearly. Let the final tribute to this fine Yorkshireman come from the wife, again through Margaret.

"My mother's eldest sister, Kate, said to her, 'You know, Laura, I don't think you are interested enough in who the Archers are. We are the bowmen who came over with the Conqueror.' My mother answered, 'I don't care a scrap about that—all I know is that I have been the wife (and am now, alas, the widow) of the nicest man that ever lived.'" E. C. S.

THE START OF "GREAT ADVENTURE II"



Nine members of a party of bell-ringers left London Airport for a tour of the Far East, Australasia and the United States. The party, who came from organisations throughout the United Kingdom, was led by Mr. Lock (extreme right), Secretary of the Bell-Ringers Society. They are seen here boarding an Air-India Boeing on the first part of their flight to Perth, Western Australia: Mr. T. J. Lock (leader), the Rev. M. C. C. Melville, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. White, Miss Anne Horsford, Messrs. A. P. Cannon, R. M. Damerell, L. Stilwell and W. Williams.

It was fine and sunny at London Airport on the afternoon of Sunday, September 5th, as the tourists assembled for the start of their long, but swift, journey to Perth, Australia. An impressive crowd of relatives and friends, both ringing and non-ringing, came to see them off and wish them God-speed.

After taking photographs of those willing and available, the farewelling party conducted the tourists to the Customs barrier and said their good-byes. We caught last glimpses of Tom Locke efficiently shepherding his flock. Wilfred Williams with his tightly-rolled umbrella, Tom White looking as cool as ever. Pat Cannon muttering about the Great Bell of Moscow (the first stop), and Malcolm Melville nattily dressed in tropical suiting.

All our good wishes go with them, and we look forward to hearing the tales from Down-Under.

BEST WISHES FROM W. AUSTRALIA

In a letter dated August 29th to the Editor, wishing him a safe and pleasant journey, Basil Potts, of Mount Lawley, Western Australia, writes:

"'Great Adventure II' has already begun! Jim Pipe arrived in Perth on Thursday morning, and within hours he had seen the bells and had lunch with two local ringers at King's Park... Today we rang for Matins, achieved a quarter of Bob Minor in the afternoon, and rang for an hour for Evensong. Jim Pipe wants you to ask, through the columns of 'The Ringing World,' who was the English ringer who rushed out of a Perth cafe, roundly defeated by a juke box? This occurred as we were having tea between the quarter and service ringing..."

Having mentioned that Jim was not the only English ringer in Perth at that moment, Basil Potts adds: "I have heard from Shirley Burton their ship has been delayed, but is now due

on Wednesday. We shall certainly be worked up to fever pitch by the time the main party arrives."

ESSEX ASSOCIATION

Northern District

Thirty members attended a meeting here at Shalford on September 4th. After ringing on the five bells members attended a service conducted by the Vicar (Rev H. C. Tre grove). Tea was served in the Village Hall and at the business meeting which followed several items of interest were discussed, including the striking competition, a joint meeting with the Suffolk Guild, and a social evening to be held during the winter. The meeting was concluded with votes of thanks to the Vicar and all who had helped with the arrangements. During the evening Wetherfield bells were also available. Next meeting: Great Easton, provisional date, November 6th.

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A SHORT HISTORY OF WITNEY RINGING SOCIETY, 1868-1918

THE high-handed uncompromising stand taken by the Rector of Witney in dismissing all the ringers at St. Mary's was called a number of unprintable things. The ringers were furious, but could do nothing. There was all the talk, too, about each one having to sign their agreement to a set of rules! They just wouldn't come to this meeting of his, they said, and the bells could be silent of a Sunday, and how would he like that?

Time passed and tempers cooled. The Rector had his way and the meeting was held. The bells rang again as they had rung for years untold: "The loudest sound made to the glory of God," and all was well.

A year or so later, Rector Cunningham, looking back to that January meeting in 1868, penned his account of it all in the Parish Diary. I have assumed the row, but the rest is plain enough.

Jan. 2. The ringing of Church bells and all matters connected with the Belfry reduced to order. Hitherto the men had kept the key and had placed themselves in all things. Beer and tobacco prevailed in the Belfry, and order there was none. The men were all dismissed, but re-admitted on signing the new rules. A Ringing Society was formed. . . . An annual supper on the 1st Monday in each year was promised."

I had known of this reference to the origin of the Witney Ringing Society for some years, and knew that a minute book had been preserved somewhere, but only now that the book has been found is it possible to study the Society's early days.

A printed copy of Cunningham's rules is stuck inside the minute book. They said that there were to be eight "Stated Ringers" (Salary of £1 per annum) and eight "Probationary Ringers" (Salary 3s. per annum). A committee was formed. The frequency and manner of service ringing was laid down and also the practice nights for Stated Ringers and Probationers. The Leader was to keep an attendance register and "prevent all irreverence (such as drinking, smoking, all unseemly conduct or language, etc.) in the Belfry or Churchyard." There were fines for lateness and absence, and finally the belfry keys were to be kept in the Rectory.

The procedure at the annual supper followed a general plan. After a good meal in the Rectory kitchen they got down to the business meeting. First the officers were elected: president, secretary and treasurer, leader, committee, fine keeper, belfry keeper. Next the Stated Ringers. Then any new Probationers. After this the fines of the past year were added up and divided equally among the ringers. The money collected round the town at Christmas likewise. The leader and belfry keeper got more than the others.

The suppers and elections were held regularly in the first few years after the formation of the Society, and minor alterations made to the rules. The committee met to unravel knotty points: e.g. what should be done if a ringer (W. Gould) asked leave of absence because he was to be away, didn't go, and still didn't come to practice? "Resolved to remit the fine, though his conduct was considered irregular." They met to discuss money matters, elect new ringers and settle disputes. But as one reads on there still seems to be an undercurrent of unruliness. "The ownership of the Handbells was discussed, and it was understood that until the sum paid by the Rector was cleared off, they were to be considered his property." "It was resolved that T. Haley, who had collected Christmas boxes unauthorised should . . . refund the money and be fined 6d." "H. Ball, Stated Ringer, having been reported for his conduct, it was decided that upon the next offence (this not being the first), he should be expelled from the Society." "That the money given at Weddings be equally divided amongst those who rang before any portion was spent." "Complaint having been made as to the non-attendance of the Ringers at Church . . ."

By 1881, only Charles Nobes, then Leader, was left of the original band, and in this

year a man was elected who was to be Stated Ringer or Leader for 46 years. He was John Monk, and it was his character and enthusiasm that laid the foundations for the high peak of performance the Society showed at the turn of the century. It is unlikely, however, that this could have come about without two significant things. The first is that about this time a more friendly tone comes into the minutes. In 1881 after the supper and business meeting "A vote of thanks to the Rector . . . closed a very pleasant evening." In 1884 "the usual songs were sung and a touch tried upon the handbells. At 11 p.m. Mr. Miller rose to propose a vote of thanks . . ." The other factor, and the two are closely linked, was the formation in 1881 of the Oxford Diocesan Guild of Church Bell Ringers.

One of the objects of the new Guild, besides the sort of belfry reform Cunningham had brought in, was the fostering of "Change Ringing." Anyone listening to the old "Call Changes" "would hear the bells sounding in the same order over and over again ("until the dead rise and fling their headstones through the belfry window").

Change ringing is more difficult. The bells' order of sounding changes after each bell has spoken once, giving an effect (e.g. on 4) like this: 12341234, 21432413, 42314321 and so on until the method being rung brings the bells "round" to 1234 again. The subject of the Guild was raised in 1883, and although Witney tower was not affiliated until 1886, Change Ringing was in the air, as is proved by the phrase "a touch tried upon the handbells" quoted above.

In November, 1886, two practice nights are recorded: Probationers on Mondays and Change Ringing on Thursdays. In the same year six Guild members are shown, and the account of the supper becomes quite gay: "After the dinner the following toasts were drunk: (i) Queen (three cheers), (ii) Bishop of Oxford and Bishops of other Dioceses, (iii) Rector and Family, (iv) Witney B. Ringing Society. Moses Fowler responded to the last toast: also the President. Songs were sung, pipes and tobacco in request. Rev. Hiley proposed the health of the Revd. W. Newman and family. Broke up at 11 p.m."

Eighteen months later things were coming on well. The men were keen, and eager to learn more. At a committee meeting "it was proposed by Rev. R. Buller to form a side for regular instruction in Change Ringing once a week under the direction of the Guild Instructor (J. Washbrook)." The accounts show that Washbrook, who was 24 at the time, paid five visits that year. On January 1st, 1889, "the excellent and substantial supper having been carefully disposed of—some capital songs were sung, and in an atmosphere of tobacco smoke the accounts were submitted, annual payments made and . . . John Monk was unanimously elected Leader . . ." Washbrook came another seven times that year, and there is a pencilled note of five names headed "passed 120 changes." In July, 1890, the president and seven Stated Ringers went to Buckingham for the Guild Festival, and on March 30th, 1891, John Monk called his first peal. It was of Grandsire Doubles, 5,040 changes, and the first peal for the other five ringers.

Nothing could halt progress now. In 1892 three peals of Grandsire Triples were rung. Washbrook called them all, and the first, Holt's Original, on August 30th, is described as "The first peal of all except the Conductor, and the first in which the local men have taken part for 65 years." (N.B.—This evidently refers to the 1827 peal of Grandsire Triples—see board in the belfry.) I cannot reconcile these two claims of first peals, unless it is because no peals of Doubles are recorded in the first Guild Collection.

The Witney ringers were now established as one of the best bands for miles around. Although they were occasionally given little lectures on church attendance by the president, they were loyal, well instructed and well led. The bells were needing attention (two men on the tenor for a peal in 1896, and seven bells rehung in 1898), but the local paper has little

notes about "the improved quality of ringing" and reports odd lengths such as "720 Grandsire Minor." Various peals were rung, culminating in November, 1899, with a peal of Grandsire Triples, conducted by John Monk. The peal tablet which was put up afterwards hails this, in a lavish spread of gold leaf, as the first peal on the bells by a band resident in Witney.

One of the men who stood in that peal was the Rev. Cyril W. O. Jenkyn. A very good ringer, he had come to Witney as a curate and became a member of the Society at once, remaining the secretary for 12 years. Another, Francis P. Powell, was assistant master at the Grammar School. These two very able men must have been the greatest help to the local band, and both called a number of peals, introducing Stedman, Plain Bob Major and the Kent Treble Bob. In the Guild Report for 1900 the Master says: "Praise is due to the Witney men for their progress in Stedman; we hope they will soon ring a peal in that method without any extraneous assistance." Francis Powell, especially, seems to have been partial to Kent, as is shown in this rather awful verse, delivered by John Monk at the dinner in 1902:

"For a gentleman of ringing fame,
F.P. Powell from Yorkshire came,
To ring Kent Treble Bob was his delight,
Though he'd ring Stedman with all his might,
And in the musical Grandsire I declare
Struck his bell as well as you could wish to hear."

The band that reopened the Clanfield bells in 1905, and Bampton bells in 1906, consisted mostly of Witney men. They went out and helped the villages; John Monk was appointed A Guild instructor. In 1908 Harry Brooks conducted his first peal—Stedman Triples. In 1910 the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn was elected Master of the Guild. These were great years in the history of the Society. They were followed, inevitably, by a decline as old members left the town and the Rev. Mr. Jenkyn became Vicar of Caversham. Then came the War.

During the dreadful war years Herbert Long, Albert Brooks and . . . were killed. The Rev. Mr. Jenkyn won the Military Cross. Ringing went on steadily, but few of the old band carried on afterwards, and newcomers began to take their places. At some time the annual dinner lapsed and was not revived.

In 1918, Leslie T. Oliffe was elected a member. He is our direct link with those earlier days and with his election I think it fitting to end this narrative. As I write (1964) he has completed 46 years as a most regular ringer, 28 of them as Foreman or Ringing Master. The present Master is Mr. B. John Cogwain, and under his guidance the numerous activities of the Society flourish. Long may they do so.

PEALS

A summary of peals rung by Witney men (or a majority of them) is set out below. The list may not be complete.

1891	1	1898	1	1905	2	1912	-
1892	3	1899	4	1906	4	1913	1
1893	-	1900	10	1907	8	1914	1
1894	-	1901	5	1908	6	1915	1
1895	-	1902	5	1909	2	1916	-
1896	1	1903	4	1910	1	1917	-
1897	1	1904	3	1911	1	1918	-

(I hope later on to write about the history of the bells themselves, a little about ringing prior to the formation of the Society and something on Henry Bagley, the Witney bell-founder.—David Smith.)

WATFORD, HERTS.—On Sept. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Ellison (first quarter) 1. S. Laud 2. D. Laud (cond.) 3. Sally Holland 4. G. Aven 5. W. Paul 6. R. Bell 7. D. Bell 8.

WITHCUMBE RALEIGH, DEVON.—On Aug. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): P. Gutter 1. F. Williams 2. H. Crisp 3. G. West 4. D. A. Wills (cond.) 5. N. Shepherd 6. S. Sharland 7. A. Knight 8. Rung half-muffled on the day of the funeral of the Ven. J. S. Hawkins, Archdeacon of Totnes and former Vicar of this parish.

Letters to the Editor

BARSHAM, SUFFOLK, BELLS

Dear Sir,—My name is mentioned by your correspondent in his letter appearing on page 576, but I fear I have little information to add.

Before 1893 there was a single pre-Reformation Norwich bell here, and in that year four new bells were cast by Mears to make a ring of five, tenor 7 cwt., with the old bell as the fourth. A new timber frame and fittings, including plain bearings, were then supplied, and though the tower is round in plan it is of some size and the bells are on one level. I rang them in changes on August 27th, 1956, and found that they went quite well, though there was a noise emanating from the tenor which suggested worn or loose gudgeon pins.

I understand that in 1957 they were inspected by another firm of bell-founders who were worried about the gudgeon pin wear, and are said to have advised that the bells be not rung in full circles. I have no note of ever having seen this report.

I am making an antiquarian/engineering inspection of all the 500 sets of bells in the Diocese of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich, and so far I have completed 289 inspections. Many of the bells have not been seen by bell hangers for very many years, and I have been concentrating on these first, as in many cases the parishes have never been told what state their bells are in. The main area I have not so far covered is N.E. Suffolk, which includes Barsham, and I hope to make an inspection of the ring there before too long.

The present incumbent, who was inducted in 1960, is well aware that the bells need attention, but it must be appreciated that a parish with a total population of 213 and an electoral roll of 57 has great difficulty meeting the costs of keeping the main fabric in order let alone rehanging the bells.—Yours faithfully,

RANALD W. M. CLOUSTON.

Lavenham, 1, Canons Close, Radlett, Herts.

Dear Sir,—In reply to "Professional's" letter (page 576) concerning the bells at Holy Trinity Church, Barsham, Suffolk. Having done much of my early ringing at the church in 1955/56 I was particularly sorry when I heard that some unknown person had declared the bells unringable. In the hope that it will give some indication to your correspondent I have pleasure in sending you as much as I know about the situation at Barsham.

In early 1955 Trevor Bailey and I, then learning to ring at Beccles, went over to Barsham several times to oil and generally attend to the bells, which had not been rung regularly for some years. We taught a team of youngsters there under the keen encouragement of the then Rector, Dr. Geoffrey Soden, and the bells were rung regularly on Sundays to call changes.

When Dr. Soden left the village in August, 1956, a peal was rung on the bells (Trevor's and my first peal), conducted by Mr. H. W. Barrett, of Loddon, and recorded on a board in the tower. Regular ringing continued, including two quarter peals, until about April or May, 1957. At this time I lost touch with the area, having moved away.

When I next returned, I found that a new Rector had been appointed and that the bells were not allowed to be rung. I remember visiting the Rector and inquiring about this, to be told that he had had the bells inspected and that they were unsafe.

As far as I remember the bells were an easy going five (they must have been for two very inexperienced 14 year olds to teach a band there). The bearings rumbled slightly, but no more than at many other towers. Mr R. Clouston looked at the bells in 1956 and said that they were in quite good condition.

Perhaps, when this myth of unringability is nailed, the bells will be rung again. Although only a light five they are very tuneful and well worth ringing.—Yours sincerely,

PAUL CATTERMOLE.

Worcester.

THANKS FOR GOOD WISHES

Dear Sir,—May I point out an error in the very nice write-up you gave me in last week's "Ringing World."

Of the peals I've rung numbering over 300, 54 were of London Surprise Major.

My wife and I send our thanks to you and all our ringing friends for the congratulations and good wishes we received. We have not forgotten the many friends who came to our house after ringing peals at Horley Church.

It is true that after being silent for 12 years Horley Church bells will ring out again; but, alas! not our own lovely peal. The Parochial Church Council have decided that they should be recast and a peal of eight with the tenor weighing six and a half cwt. be installed and lowered 15ft., to the bitter disappointment of our ringers.

A. J. BULL.

Hon. Sec., Horley Bellringers.

22, Queen's Road, Horley, Surrey.

LUNCH-TIME RINGING

Dear Sir,—Last year, about six ringers from the Lewisham District of the Kent County Association started ringing for the lunch-time service at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, W.C.2. Since then we have managed to ring nearly every first Thursday in the month.

Owing to some of us having left the district ringing is becoming a little difficult. If there are any ringers who work in the West End, they would be very welcome to come along.

We ring on the first Thursday in the month, from 12.55 to 1.25 p.m. The next ring will be on Thursday, October 7th.—Yours sincerely,

TONY LEWIS.

Chislehurst, Kent.

Dear Sir,—I would like to draw your readers attention to ringing at Kingston-upon-Thames for a lunchtime service on Tuesdays. Starting on Tuesday, October 5th, we will be ringing at 1 p.m. for a service at 1.30 p.m. Last year we were able to ring nearly every Tuesday, but as some of our regulars will not be able to come any more, new volunteers will be most welcome. I would be pleased to give more information to anyone either at my address below, or during office hours on TFD-dington Lock 3222, Ext. 51. Yours faithfully,

MICHAEL BANGHAM.

15, Poplar Grove, New Malden, Surrey.

COMPOSITIONS REQUIRED

Dear Sir,—May I through your columns, ask the conductor of the peal at Breadsall, Derbyshire, on July 31st. if he would publish the callings of Quantum, Xerxes, Yttrium and Zeus.—Yours, etc.,

PAUL CATTERMOLE.

Worcester.

OBITUARY

JOHN B. YOUNG

It is with regret that we report the sudden death on August 10th of John B. Young, of Frampton, Lincs. He was at work until 8 p.m. and soon after retiring for the night he collapsed and passed away suddenly.

A ringer at Frampton for many years for service ringing, also a sound peal ringer and an expert on Spliced Minor ringing. Since the sudden death of his brother some years ago he lost some interest in ringing. He was laid to rest on August 13th in the presence of several ringers and friends.

The bells of Frampton were rung half-muffled in the evening. W. E. C.

CHARLES CLARKE

We are very sorry to record the passing of Mr. Charles Clarke, of Grundisburgh, Suffolk, whose death took place on August 29th, at the age of 81 years. As a builder he constructed almost a new street which is named after him as Charles Avenue. Before his business occupied most of his time, he was an adjunct to St. Mary-le-Tower Society with whom he rang peals of Stedman Cinques, and Oxford Treble Bob, Cambridge, Superlative, also Rochester, all Maximus. He also rang a peal of Bob Major with his father Frederic and son's (only peal) and three generations of Tillett, the band made up with G. E. Symonds (cond.) and his son.

A large congregation attended the funeral on Thursday, September 2nd. Afterwards a muffled quarter peal of Grandsire Triples was rung on Grundisburgh bells by some of his old ringing friends whose average age was nearly 70 years—A. Munnings 1, C. J. Sedgley 2, Jim Bennett 3, R. J. Munnings 4, G. E. Symonds (cond.) 5, P. May 6, J. F. Tillett 7, F. Crapnell 8.

G. E. SYMONDS.

DOUBLES METHODS

Dear Sir,—May I point out to Doubles ringers that the compositions of Carlton, St. Cleer, Wexford and others may be found in my letter on page 648 of the "R.W." dated September 25th, 1964, please?

In his peal ("R.W.", August 13th), Mr. Harrison has renamed two methods. Rev. Canterbury—Shipway's Bob is St. Philebert not Quantum. Shipway's Place with a Plain Bob Pl. is St. Cyril not Yttrium.

I would be obliged if anyone would inform me of the Bobs and Singles for Spondon, Breaston Breadsall and Alfreton.

Spondon	Breaston	Breadsall	Alfreton
12345	12345	12345	12345
21354	21354	21435	21435
23154	23145	24153	24153
32514	32415	42513	24513
35241	34251	24531	42531
53421	34521	42351	42351
35412	43512	43215	43215
53142	43152	34125	34125
51324	41325	31425	31452
15234	14235	13452	13425
12534	12453	14352	14352

These methods are Grandsire or New Grandsire in "structure," therefore may have Grandsire-like calls.

Yours sincerely,

ROY H. JONES.

118, Oxford Road,
Marston, Oxford.

BELL ROPES

JOHN NICOLL

SEE BACK PAGE

A WEST COUNTRY TOUR



MR. A. BISHOP'S RINGERS AT WESTON ZOYLAND.

Left to right: Deborah Hopkins, David Hughes, Tony Bishop, Michael Uphill, Vanessa Rodrigues, Rodney French, Lesley Reed, Hilary Johnson, Ruth Carr, Michael Bingham and Elizabeth Zass. Missing are Alan Bagworth (who took the photograph) and Gerald Reynolds.

On Saturday, August 14th, the West Country was once again invaded by Tony Bishop's ringing party. This year Porlock was to have the unenviable duty of accommodating us for the week. Sunday always being a quiet day on these occasions, we only rang at four towers. However, we started well with good ringing on the ten at Minehead, including a touch of Stedman Caters, conducted by David Hilling, who joined us for most of the day.

The majority of the party then adjourned to the beach at Porlock Weir and either rang handbells or swam. After lunch five of the party walked to Luccombe (6), where they were glad to be able to rejoin the minibus. After ringing here we drove to Selworthy, another six, where we were welcomed by the first of the many Arscotts. We returned to Porlock to ring for evening service and met two more Arscotts. Here we rang Norwich, the first of the methods we had been ordered to learn by Tony.

On Monday we ventured up Porlock Hill, disdaining the toll road, and all arrived safely at Lynton, where we rang a good course of Ipswich before proceeding to Kentisbury and lunch. The first tower in the afternoon was

Arlington, a very pleasant six, where we attempted Beverley. Teatime was reached after two sixes, Berrynarbor and West Down, and finally the eight at Braunton, where some of us acquired an appetite by listening to Double Norwich whilst paddling in the stream. We then rang at Heanton Punchardon (6) and Bishop's Tawton (6), where possibly the best ringing of the day was some "Devonshire Surprise," rung half way through the rise.

On Tuesday we started on the fine eight at Dunster, having first been shown round the famous dovecote by the Vicar. At Carhampton (6) we did full justice to these lovely bells with, among other things, a good course of Cambridge. To get to the next tower, St Decuman's, we had to pass through Watchet and a large traffic jam. In the evening we met at Stogursey, a fine 24 cwt. six in a beautiful and partly pre-Norman church. Ringing at Over Stowey (6) was not as good and the heavy eight at Bishop's Lydeard did not help, particularly as the tenor is very deep set.

On Wednesday morning it was well worth passing through a ford and over a cattle grid in order to ring at Exford, where we were pleased to ring with the Rev. H. Warren, who

allowed us an extra, and very welcome, quarter of an hour on this lovely six. We arrived early at Exton (6), where we were pleased to meet our old friend Brig. Young, who accompanied us for the rest of the day. After lunch we rang a good half course of Cambridge on the fine eight at Dulverton. The afternoon's towers were all sixes, Morebath, Chipstable and Huish Champflower. Brig. Young had kindly arranged an evening meal and also entertained us at home before taking us to ring at Wiveliscombe. Here we satisfied Tony by ringing an excellent course of Rutland.

On Thursday morning, therefore, we were reduced to twelve for ringing at Norton Fitzwarren, Halse and Ash Priors, all sixes. Tony had prepared us for a difficult afternoon on the three heavy sixes. Cotelstone at first defeated us, but we were pleased to achieve three leads of Plain Bob. The bells at Enmore proved to be a fine ring, as did those at West Bagborough. At the latter tower we rang Quantock and Hull.

In the evening five of the party went to Taunton to join the local practice, but we all met again to celebrate Deborah's birthday.

On Friday morning we left for home and travelled as far as Weston Zoyland for our first ring on this pleasant six. After lunch in Langport we rang the lovely eight at Huish Episcopi. Here we were joined by Chris Marshall and Trevor Cross, who remained with us for the last few towers. So we came at last to Queen Camel where, once we had rung the bells up, we acquitted ourselves very creditably with a course of Cambridge and a good drop in peal. Concentration relaxed after this and ringing at Bruton was disappointing. Having found Stourton, despite the signposts, we redeemed ourselves before coming to the last tower of the week. We finished off with some reasonable ringing, including Bristol, on the eight at Mere before making our separate and sleepy ways home.

We would like to thank Tony and Deborah for organising the holiday so well, the three drivers, all incumbents and those who met us.

V. R. and E. Z.

ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD

Bells were raised at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday, September 4th, for a meeting of the Guild at St. Mary's Church, Elland. After Evensong, conducted by the Rector (Rev J. R. Howarth), the members joined a missionary garden party for an ample tea. The belfry was adapted for the business meeting. Mr. Scargill, of Thornhill, was elected a member. It was noted with pleasure that we had, as ringing members, three generations of one family—Mr. Charles Byram, his daughter Mary, her husband (Mr. Joseph Greenwood) and their children, Dennis and Susan. A very enjoyable evening's ringing ended at 9 p.m. W. M.

PUTNEY, LONDON.—On Aug. 29th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): L. Ann Gasson 1, B. J. Bull 2, L. W. Allen 3, C. F. Mew (cond.) 4, G. W. Shanks 5, Christine M. Cobb 6. For Evensong.

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HALF PEAL

HUNTINGTON, N. YORKS.—On Aug. 24th, 2,520 Plain Bob Minor: Mary I. Hildred 1, D. Pearson 2, C. J. Groomie 3, Jennifer E. Pearce 4, Susan E. Thompson 5, A. C. Banton (cond.) 6. Longest touch of Minor by the local band. Rung for the York Minster Society.

ABINGDON, BERKS.—On Aug. 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob, St. Simon's and St. Martin's; M. C. E. Hodge 1, Heather A. Alford 2, J. M. Elaine Dixon 3, M. Patricia Dixon 4, C. I. Rowson (cond.) 5, E. Anne Kilgour (first quarter) 6. A birthday compliment to the ringer of fourth.

ADELAIDE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—On Aug. 8th, at the Town Hall, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. O. Goulter 1, B. R. Cox 2, R. A. S. Adams 3, R. K. Russ 4, W. B. Plicher (cond.) 5, D. J. Bleby 6. First quarter on the back six. Also at St. Peter's Cathedral, on Aug. 22nd, 1,328 Plain Bob Major: J. O. Goulter 1, Kaye W. Lynas 2, W. M. Rowe 3, B. R. Cox 4, R. A. S. Adams 5, R. K. Russ 6, W. B. Pitcher (cond.) 7, D. J. Bleby 8. For Evensong.

BALDOCK, HERTS.—On Sept. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: M. Hutton 1, E. Wills 2, A. Buck 3, S. Hutton 4, J. Dear 5, E. Buck (cond.) 6, D. Sutcliffe 7, R. Castledine 8.

BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.—On Aug. 29th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): R. J. Brown 1, W. R. Chandler 2, Miss H. Copperthwaite 3, F. Southwood 4, Miss B. Fisher (cond.) 5, For Matins.

BINFIELD, BERKS.—On Sept. 2nd, 1,276 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Joan A. Rance 1, Rosamund Murrell 2, C. W. Bailey 3, A. J. N. Rance 4, S. G. Scott 5, F. C. Price (cond.) 6. Rung for the engagement of Linda Parkhouse and Graham Murrell.

BISHOP'S STORTFORD, HERTS.—On Aug. 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (with 7 covering): R. J. Wilsheer 1, Eileen Maskell 2, Stephanie Green 3, Susan Farnes 4, Paula Healing (cond.) 5, D. Digby 6, P. Owen 7.

BRAMFORD, SUFFOLK.—On Aug. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: R. Lockwood 1, N. F. Whittell (cond.) 2, R. Southgate 3, M. H. Whittell 4, A. Walters 5. Also on Aug. 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. Kinsey 1, A. Walters 2, R. Lockwood 3, R. Southgate 4, N. F. Whittell (cond.) 5. For Evensong. Also on Aug. 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. Hore 1, A. Walters 2, R. Lockwood 3, N. F. Whittell (cond.) 4, R. Southgate 5.

BRIDPORT, DORSET.—On Aug. 31st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. C. W. Powell 1, Miss A. Quick 2, D. B. Ellery (first of Stedman Triples) 3, M. J. Hiller 4, H. Keeley 5, C. W. H. Powell (cond.) 6, F. Knight 7, A. F. Knight 8. A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. C. W. H. Powell (September 2nd).

CHERITON, KENT.—At St. Martin's Church, on Aug. 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Pamela Court (first quarter) 1, Dilys Eastmead 2, Mary Munt 3, Rev. C. Munt 4, A. Eastmead (cond.) 5, W. C. Chandler 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Thomas Piddock, former ringer, sidesman and P.C.C. member.

CLITHEROE, LANCs.—1,440 Plain Bob Minor: S. Washbrook 1, E. Crabtree 2, P. Norman 3, W. Wilkinson 4, S. Wright 5, F. Price (cond.) 6.

CROYDON, SURREY.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist, on Sept. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: K. Taber 1, G. H. Humphries 2, N. Brown 3, N. S. Bagworth (cond.) 4, A. Brown 5, W. G. Wilson 6, R. C. Stevens 7, M. Parry 8. Rung on the back eight for Evensong.

CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.—On Aug. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Halsead (first quarter) 1, Miss R. Stevens 2, R. V. Johnson 3, G. Ford 4, J. Jeffrey 5, B. Dixon 6, F. F. Godsmark (cond.) 7, E. Breit 8. Rung by all members of the Cuckfield band.

EAST HAGBOURNE, BERKS.—On Sept. 4th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: D. Jordan 1, M. Bishop 2, Miss M. Thomas 3, L. F. Cox 4, C. J. Garlick 5, W. Corderoy 6, A. H. Webb (cond.) 7, B. Wheeler 8. Rung for the wedding of Clare Napper and John Lightfoot. First quarter for the ringer of 8th.

FINCHAMPSTEAD, BERKS.—On Aug. 23rd, 1,276 Cambridge Surprise Minor: W. R. Churchill 1, Joan A. Rance 2, S. G. Scott 3, F. C. Price (cond.) 4, A. J. N. Rance 5, Tony Price 6. Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Susan Rance, eldest daughter of the ringers of 2 and 5.

FINEDON, NORTANTS.—On Aug. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: T. G. Smith 1, E. C. Buckley 2, J. W. Hall 3, M. A. Coleman (cond.) 4, J. G. Mitchell 5, J. Mitchell 6, R. J. Cowley 7, D. G. Pearson 8. A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Chapman.

QUARTER PEALS

FLORE, NORTANTS.—On July 24th, 1,440 St. Clement's Bob Minor: R. J. Fonge 1, Judith A. Ashby 2, E. C. Garratt 3, T. G. Hill 4, J. F. Thorne 5, R. J. Danby (cond.) 6.

HASLINGFIELD, CAMBS.—On Aug. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: G. Barnard 1, R. Mann (first "inside") 2, E. W. Brown 3, B. D. Threlfall (cond.) 4, B. Horrell 5. Rung on the departure of the Rev. and Mrs. Dewart, for their home in America, after a four-month exchange visit to this parish.

HINTLESHAM, SUFFOLK.—On Aug. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Sawtell 1, Sue Webber 2, A. Walters 3, R. Southgate 4, R. L. K. Whittell 5, N. F. Whittell (cond.) 6. First of Minor "inside" for 2, 3 and 4. For Matins.

HUDESODON, HERTS.—On Aug. 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Eileen Maskell 1, Paula Healing 2, Susan Farnes 3, R. J. Wilsheer 4, D. Digby 5, P. Owen 6, S. P. Darvill (cond.) 7, Stephanie Green 8. First of Triples by all the band except the conductor.

HURSHAM, SUSSEX.—On Aug. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Cynthia Elson (first quarter) 1, I. Davies 2, I. Robinson 3, T. G. Fox 4, M. Turner 5, G. Francis (cond.) 6, J. Smith 7, C. Denyer 8. Rung in honour of the engagement of Audrey Trott to Vivian Hutchings.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.—On Aug. 29th, at St. Margaret's Church, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: P. Whittell 1, E. Bloomfield 2, J. Munnings 3, C. J. Sedgley (cond.) 4, P. May 5, K. Whittell 6, R. Steward 7, C. Woodard 8. For morning service.

IWERNE MINSTER, DORSET.—On July 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Margaret M. Godley 1, E. C. Chant 2, B. Ridout 3, F. Hilliar 4, W. C. Shute (cond.) 5, J. Longridge 6. Rung for the wedding of Miss P. Wells (the Rector's daughter) and Mr. M. Marsh.

KINGSTON UPON THAMES, SURREY.—On Sept. 5th, 1,440 London Surprise Royal (No. 3 Version): Susan Newman 1, R. J. Cooles 2, Alison Mann 3, Rosamund Rawlings 4, Deborah Hopkins 5, M. Bangham (first in method as cond.) 6, A. Bishop 7, J. Maybrey 8, K. Newman 9, W. Jackson 10. First in method 2 and 8.

LADBROKE, WARWICKS.—On Aug. 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: H. J. Baker (first quarter) 1, R. W. Sherriff (cond.) 2, M. Hill 3, J. F. Thorne 4, T. G. Hill 5. For the wedding of Michael Fleming and Carole Willmott.

LANCHESTER, CO. DURHAM.—On Aug. 15th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: A. Walker 1, J. Tonks (first as cond.) 2, J. Thomson 3, R. Jackson 4, H. P. Thompson 5, J. Stephenson (first quarter) 6. For Evensong.

LONDON.—At St. Giles', Cripplegate, on Sept. 5th, 1,311 Grandsire Cinques: Miss H. Maltman (first quarter on 12) 1, Miss G. M. Hussey 2, W. Rawlings 3, W. Theobald 4, A. Stubbs 5, D. Harris 6, W. T. Cook 7, D. Darby 8, D. J. Hunt 9, D. R. Randall 10, J. Phillips (cond.) 11, T. J. Setter 12.

MARCH, CAMBS.—On Sept. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Gillian Anderson (first quarter) 1, D. Feek 2, W. Moore 3, P. H. Langton 4, T. A. Bevis (cond.) 5, M. Hart 6. For Morning Prayer. Also a half-muffled tribute to Miss F. Check, a life-long worker at this church.

NOTTINGHAM.—At All Saints' Church, on Aug. 29th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: R. Inglis 1, S. Foskett 2, F. A. Salter 3, Mrs. S. Foskett 4, D. Stainsby 5, C. Towers 6, F. N. Pailing (cond.) 7, H. Dale 8. For Evensong.

OTTERTON, DEVON.—On Aug. 30th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): D. A. Wills (first in two methods as cond.) 1, J. Carter 2, N. Shepherd 3, G. West 4, T. Gooding 5, A. Knight 6. First in two methods 3 and 5.

PURTHKERRY, GLAM.—On Sept. 3rd, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): H. A. Smart 1, R. S. Price 2, B. A. Williams 3, W. E. Pearce 4, L. J. Mallings (cond.) 5, R. C. Smart 6.

RAVENINGHAM, NORFOLK.—On Aug. 29th, 1,260 Doubles (eight methods): J. I. Margetts 1, J. W. Forder 2, N. P. J. Cossey 3, G. G. Walpole 4, T. N. J. Bailey (cond.) 5. Rung for the group service.

SALISBURY, RHODESIA.—On July 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Mrs. E. Mason 1, Monica Blagrove 2, Frances Pellatt 3, Ruas Reid 4, Colin Stevenson 5, K. S. Cross 6, F. T. Blagrove (cond.) 7, N. F. Mason 8. Rung for Harvest Festival, and as a welcome to the new Dean of Salisbury, Very Rev. S. M. Wood. Also on Aug. 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Mrs. E. Mason 1, Monica Blagrove 2, F. T. Blagrove (cond.) 3-4, K. S. Cross 5, N. F. Mason 6. Rung for Salisbury's 75th birthday festival, and for the visit of the Bishop of Hereford.

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SOUTH WALES RINGERS' WEDDING



On August 10th the wedding took place at St. Mary's Church, Whitchurch, Cardiff, between the Rev. Ronald Charles Lucas and Miss Christine Margaret Glastonbury.

The bride, who was given away by her brother, Mr. John Glastonbury, wore a full-length gown of white brocade and short veil, and carried a bouquet of pink roses and lilies of the valley. She was attended by her niece, Miss Judith Glastonbury. The best man was Mr. Robert Jones, a friend of the bridegroom.

The choral service was conducted by the Vicar of Whitchurch, the Rev. Emrys Rees, and the Vicar of Rumney, Canon C. K. Smith, celebrated nuptial mass.

The bridegroom, who is Curate of Rumney, Cardiff, and a member of the local band, was before his ordination vice-captain of the same tower. He has been an honorary auditor of the Llandaff and Monmouth Association for many years.

Miss Glastonbury is a former member of the Whitchurch band, and for some years was captain of that same tower. She successfully conducted the first South Wales Ladies' Guild peal of Plain Bob Minor at Rumney in February of this year.

The bride and bridegroom are active members of the Association and frequently attend practice nights at towers in and around Cardiff: both have rung in peals for the Association.

The bells of St. Mary's were rung by members of the Association before and after the wedding. A peal of Minor in seven methods was rung on the eve of the wedding at Rumney by members of the Association.

The happy couple spent their honeymoon in Jersey.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD (North Lindsey Branch) and **BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY**.—Joint meeting at Burton-on-Stather, Lincs., Saturday, October 2nd. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business meetings. Names for tea to Mr. P. Barnes, Tee Lane, Burton-on-Stather, by Wednesday previous.—C. A. H. 7608

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Practice meeting, Lingfield, October 2nd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. G. Parsons, 31, Beacon Hill, Dormansland, Lingfield, by September 29th.—K. G. Game, Dis. Sec. 7610

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MEETINGS

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—Meeting at Croston, Saturday, September 25th. Names for tea, please, by Wednesday, 22nd, to Mr. P. Ascroft, 19, Highfield Road, Croston, Preston. Buses: 98 from Preston, 2.10; 367 from Chorley, 2.15; also 113 from Preston, 1.53, via Leyland, change Lydiate Lane, also 298 buses.—L. Walmsley. 7617

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Lancaster Branch.—Annual meeting at Hornby, Saturday, September 25th. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss P. James, Greycroft, Melling Road, Hornby, Lancaster. —P. Handley, Branch Sec. 7619

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Saturday, September 25th. Branch striking competition at Dorney during afternoon. All welcome to ringing in the evening until 8.30 p.m.—Miss Hague. 7502

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Lichfield Diocesan Festival, September 25th. Bells available: Ellesmere (8), 2-3 p.m.; St. Martin's (6), 2.45-3.45; Oswestry (8), 3.15-4.25; Shrewsbury St. Mary's (10), 7-8; Shrewsbury St. Chad's (12), 8-9. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for teas to Roger B. Morris, 18, Ferrers Road, Oswestry, as soon as possible.—E. Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec. 7620

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Mansfield District.—Joint with **EAST DERBY AND WEST NOTTS ASSOCIATION**, Saturday, September 25th, Greasley (8). Bells 3-9 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. and business meeting. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to Mrs. P. M. Beach, 17, Coach Drive, Eastwood, Notts.—D. J. Beach, Dis. Sec. 7618

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Holy Trinity, Idle, on Saturday, September 25th, jointly with the **LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY**. The bells will be available at 3 p.m. Names for tea (5 p.m.) by Thursday, September 23rd, to Mr. T. Hill, 5, Leyton Crescent, Idle, Bradford. The business meeting will follow tea and the District Committee will meet at 4.15 p.m.—R. J. Lumley, Hon. Dis. Sec. 7616

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BELFRY GOSSIP

In a recent tour of Cornwall, Eddie Rapley, of Horsham, rang his 500th peal, and Leslie Weller, of Billingshurst, Sussex, his 200th.

The band of All Saints' Church, Nottingham, welcomed back for a quarter peal on August 29th, Mr. F. A. Salter, following his serious illness last year.

A quarter peal on August 21st at St. Leonard's Church, Eynsham, Oxfordshire, was rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. G. Russell, of Eynsham, on their diamond wedding.

The peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major rung at Dursley, Glos., during the "Around Portishead" peal week was for the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association, and not for the Bath and Wells.

The band in the peal at Salehurst on September 4th all belong to Hawkhurst, and the peal was rung at Salehurst as Hawkhurst bells are under repair by Mears and Stainbank (re-hanging on ball-bearings, etc.).

Miss Gillian Anderson, a Queen's Guide, and one of seven young lady bellringers at March St. Wendreda's Church, rang her first quarter peal recently. Gillian has been ringing only a few months and rang the treble very well indeed.

The band who were to have rung the long peal of London Surprise Royal at Macclesfield on September 4th met one short, and so the attempt for a long peal never took place. However, Mr. Harold Lonyon kindly stood in at very short notice and a "normal length" peal was rung in 3 hours and 8 minutes.

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HUNTINGTON (YORK) LOSING STALWARTS

Since David Pearson and Christopher Groomer restarted the band at Huntington (York) three years ago, progress has been quite rapid. The bells were rehung in 1963 and there is now an enthusiastic young band.

In 1962 the band could just manage rounds and call changes. So far in 1965 nine members have rung peals, including four peals of Doubles by the local band. Since the first of these peals (All Saints' Doubles on November 1st, 1964) the band has worked towards a peal of Minor. An attempt on August 17th came to an end after three extents, when two bells were crossed.

Another attempt was arranged for the following Tuesday, August 24th. This time British Rail intervened and David was an hour late getting back from work. It was too late for a peal, but a half-peal was attempted and this was very successful.

There seems little chance of another attempt in the near future. David has married and left the parish. Christopher is going to Canada. Susan Thompson is going to College in Sheffield and Colin Banton, the present Ringing Master, is going to Derby. These departures are most untimely as some local rivalry is at stake, as Huntington have been hoping to ring a peal of Minor before the band at Walkington!

VETERAN RINGER WILL CELEBRATE

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Howard, of 1, Flint Cottages, Church End, Barley, near Royston, Herts, will celebrate their golden wedding on Saturday, September 25th. Now aged 74, Mr. Howard since a serious illness a few years ago has been unable to ring for long periods, but he occasionally gives a hand.

In his younger days he rang in the Long Peal of Bob Major at St. Peter's Church, Benington, Herts, on Whit Monday, June 5th, 1933, being 18.144 changes, which took ten hours 52 minutes. He also rang and conducted four peals of Surprise Minor in seven methods in one day, and on another occasion rang and conducted three peals in a day. Old friends as well as present-day ringers deeply appreciate Mr. Howard's services to the fraternity.

TO SURPRISE IN TEN MONTHS

The ringers in the peal at Eastrington, East Yorks, wish to congratulate 14-year-old Robert C. Hawtree on his first peal. He rang an inside bell to seven Minor methods and is also ringing Surprise Minor and Major. It is only ten months since he started ringing and he is a credit to his instructor, the Rev. F. Ross. There are several more young ringers out of the same stable at Hessle, who we shall be reading about during the next few months. The peal was also a welcome to Norman V. Harding, who was in the East Riding for the week-end.

SALISBURY, RHODESIA

Latest arrivals in Salisbury are David Brown, from Suffolk, and Mr. and Mrs. Russ Reid, from Lincolnshire. David and Russ are on a nine-month P.C.E. course at U.C.R.N. before returning to teach in Zambia.

Welcome visitors have been Michael Carter, formerly of St. Nicholas', Liverpool, but now living in Blantyre, Malawi, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. White, from Penzance, and M. G. Humphreys, from Esher.

THE NEW TREBLE

The tall trees hide St. Paul's small spire,
The five bells ring till the ringers tire,
Across meadows and woods the music sounds
As Grandsire and Stedman come home in rounds.

The ringers dream of the day to come,
When the harvest of their toil is won,
And the sixth bell rings above the five.
Then at Treble Bob Minor they will strive.

There's sales of rummage and sales of work
And lots of tasks that none may shirk,
Then they hang the bell all bright and new
And straight away the account comes through.

All we need is one hundred more,
Which means sales of work and rummage
galore,
Although we really enjoy the task
And friends offer help before we ask.

In October we've fixed the date,
When to the glory of God we dedicate
Our bell; whose voice will sound upon the breeze
Over Bentley Common amid the trees.

B. FISHER.

Miss Fisher, of Hatch Road, Brentwood, Essex, who sends us this poem, writes that for several years they have been working to raise £475 to hang a new treble bell to the existing five at Bentley Common, Brentwood. The bell has now been installed by Mears and Stainbank, and will be dedicated on October 17th. "We are still in need of a further £100, and we hope to raise a good proportion of this by a rummage sale and sale of work this autumn."

RINGING IN SCHOOLS

Mr. Alfred Froggatt writes from Lincoln: "I regret that I did not respond previously to the request regarding ringing connected with schools, but maybe the following is relevant:

"Ian Marshall and Stephen Etccl are both pupils at the Sincil Bank Secondary Modern School, Lincoln, and John Clarke was also a pupil there until leaving at Easter this year. Three others from the same school also commenced to learn at St. Mary's but seem to have fallen away for one reason or another, although I have hopes of two of them carrying on if circumstances change. John Clarke was the first to learn and it is he who has brought the others in, partly through running a tuning-ringing class on handbells (8) during term-time (after school hours) last year, assisted by one of the masters who, though not a ringer, is interested."

ALMOST CHASED UP TOWER!

Cirencester ringers, meeting early for a quarter peal before Sunday Evensong, and hearing from the verger that a ringer passing through the town was waiting about in the hope of joining in service ringing, kindly rang a few rounds, and paused. "Summoned by bells," and almost chased up the tower by the friendly verger, the visitor arrived short of breath and full of gratitude, and had the privilege of a short ring before the quarter peal.

CHELSEFIELD RINGERS' WEDDING

The marriage took place on August 14th at St. Martin of Tours' Church, Chelsfield, Kent, of Mr. Robert W. Hinde and Miss Hilary F. Martin.

Bob Hinde, a native of Christleton, near Chester, has worked in the London area for some six or seven years, living first at Mitcham and more recently at Chelsfield. Hilary Martin, whose brother Nicholas is also well known as a ringer, learned to ring at Chelsfield, and she and Bob have been much in evidence as peal ringers in Kent and elsewhere.

The organist, Mr. Barley, rendered Fantasia in G (Bach) as a prelude to the exquisitely-chosen music that was to follow so fittingly for the wedding of a bride who is an accomplished musician. The bride, escorted by her father, Mr. Frank Martin, was attended by Miss Jennifer Wright and Miss Lynda Pullen and a child bridesmaid, Anne Hathaway, in turquoise green princess-line long dresses with puff sleeves. The bride's long dress was close-fitting in heavy white satin with a full-length veil. The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. Leslie King and Mr. Alan Farndell was best man.

During the signing of the register Miss Jennifer Wright sang as a solo Handel's "He shall feed his flock." The bride and bridegroom emerged from the vestry to the strains of Toccata in F, by Widor. At this point the six bells, manned by the local band, under the leadership of their captain, Mr. David Manger, went into well-struck call-changes. Other touches of changes and call-changes followed. A reception followed at High Woods, Oxenden Wood Road, the home of the bride and her parents.

There were several ringing friends present, mainly from Kent and Surrey but also including Mr. Frank Poston from Christleton. Peals were rung in the evening at Chelsfield and Westerham, and during the day at Gravesend and elsewhere. The honeymoon was spent in Guernsey and the bride and bridegroom hope shortly to move into a new house at Meopham.

BOWLS v. BELLS

A most agreeable evening was spent by ringers from Wymondham, St. George's College (Norwich) and Mulbarton recently when they combined to field a team to compete against the Tradesman's Arms Bowls Club, Mulbarton, at Mulbarton. Experience told against the visitors, and the local club won comfortably. Leaving the green to rising dew and gathering gloom, the evening was rounded off in a reserved room at the Tradesman's Arms. Peter Adcock arranged this enjoyable and successful diversion.

FAMILY QUARTERS BY EASTHAMPTON RINGERS

In a quarter peal at Finchampstead, Berks, on August 23rd, a mother and father (Mr. and Mrs. A. J. N. Rance) rang as a 21st birthday compliment to Susan, their eldest daughter. At Binfield, Berks, on September 2nd, Mrs. R. Murrell rang in a quarter peal for the engagement of her son, Graham, to Linda Parkhouse. Both mother and son are ringers at Warfield. The two quarters were manned by the Easthampstead band (with one exception in each), whose bells are out of use for some months.

TOWER BELL PEALS

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD WEEK

ELVEDEN, Suffolk.—At the Memorial Tower of SS. Patrick and Andrew.

On Mon., Aug. 23, 1965, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5120 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb.

R. W. H. Hayes (Caius) .. Treble	*V. Nutton (Selwyn) .. 5
Susan Jackson (Girton) .. 2	A. R. Heppenstall (Selwyn) 6
*K. J. Darvill (St. Cath's) 3	W. J. Ridgman (Queens') 7
J. H. Fielden (St. Cath's) 4	S. C. Walters (Pembroke) Tenor

Composed by N. Golden. Conducted by A. Robin Heppenstall

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

FOXEARH, Essex.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Tues., Aug. 24, 1965, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's Variation of Middleton's. Tenor 7 cwt. 17 lb. in A

Susan Jackson (Girton) .. Treble	V. Nutton (Selwyn) .. 5
R. Leigh (St. Cath's) .. 2	R. W. H. Hayes (Caius) .. 6
S. C. Walters (Pembroke) 3	W. T. Cook (Jesus) .. 7
F. E. Haynes (St. Cath's) 4	C. W. Woolley (Selwyn) .. Tenor

Conducted by Frank E. Haynes.

TRUMPINGTON, Cambridgeshire.—At the Church of SS. Mary and Michael.

On Wed., Aug. 25, 1965, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb.

W. J. Ridgman (Queens') Treble	V. Nutton (Selwyn) .. 5
C. W. Woolley (Selwyn) 2	W. T. Cook (Jesus) .. 6
*H. E. Bishop (Selwyn) .. 3	J. H. Fielden (St. Cath's) 7
F. E. Haynes (St. Cath's) 4	A. R. Heppenstall (Selwyn) Tenor

Composed by S. J. Ivin. Conducted by Christopher W. Woolley

* First peal in the method.

ST. IVES Huntingdonshire.—At the Church of All Saints

On Thurs., Aug. 26, 1965, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Arranged from Thurstans. Tenor 12 cwt. 4 lb. in G

*J. H. R. Freeborn (Clare) Treble	W. T. Cook (Jesus) .. 5
Susan Jackson (Girton) 2	K. J. Darvill (St. Cath's) 6
V. Nutton (Selwyn) .. 3	F. E. Haynes (St. Cath's) 7
R. W. H. Hayes (Caius) 4	R. Leigh (St. Cath's) .. Tenor

Conducted by Kenneth J. Darvill.

* 100th peal of Stedman. First of Stedman as Conductor.

OTHER PEALS

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

LIVERPOOL.—At the Church of Our Lady and St. Nicholas. Pier Head.

On Sat., Sept. 4, 1965, in 3 Hours and 33 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 41 cwt. 3 qr. 15 lb. in C.

Thomas W. Hesketh .. Treble	Peter S. Bennett .. 7
John E. Bibby .. 2	Tudor P. Edwards .. 8
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. 3	Cyril Crossthwaite .. 9
Edward Jenkins .. 4	Walter Allman .. 10
Richard S. Starkie .. 5	Derek Butterworth .. 11
V. David Jenner .. 6	Jeffrey J. Fox .. Tenor

Composed by David E. Parsons. Conducted by Tudor P. Edwards

Rung as an 83rd birthday compliment to Mr. Lester L. Gray.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

SOUTH PETHERTON, Somerset.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Aug. 28, 1965, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 FORDCOMBE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 23 cwt. in D.

Elisabeth A. G. Bowden .. Treble	Alan Tubb .. 5
Gillian M. Hussey .. 2	Richard J. Bowden .. 6
Rev. C. J. B. Marshall .. 3	Martin L. Howe .. 7
Trevor A. Cross .. 4	D. John Hunt .. Tenor

Composed by G. Lindoff. Conducted by D. John Hunt

EAST COKER, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Michael

On Sat., Aug. 28, 1965, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt.

*Raymond P. Selway .. Treble	Trevor A. Cross .. 5
†Gilbert W. Rendell .. 2	Martin L. Howe .. 6
Gillian M. Hussey .. 3	D. John Hunt .. 7
*Derek S. Beaufoy .. 4	*William E. Turner .. Tenor

Composed by A. Knights. Conducted by D. John Hunt.

* First peal of Kent. † First of Kent Major.

MARKSBURY, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Aug. 14, 1965, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Consisting of 42 extents in seven methods: (1-6) Grandsire (7-14) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, (15-18) St. Nicholas Bob, (19-22) Winchendon Place Bob, (23-26) St. Simon Bob, (27-32) St. Martin Bob, (33-42) Plain Bob. Tenor 17 cwt. in F sharp.

*Susan J. Webber .. Treble	Raymond J. Ballard .. 4
Richard J. Tibbetts .. 2	Philip W. Gay .. 5
Andrew J. Jobson .. 3	Madeleine McCallion .. Tenor

Conducted by Philip W. Gay

* First peal Most methods as conductor.

NEMPNETT THRUBWELL, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Sat., Aug. 14, 1965, in 3 Hours.

A PEAL OF 6000 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 50 six-score. Tenor 9 cwt.

Marjorie Legg .. Treble	*Walter S. Rice .. 4
*T. Cecil Mogford .. 2	George Prescott .. 5
John Walton .. 3	*Roy W. Rice .. Tenor

Conducted by George Prescott

* Longest length of Doubles.

Ten six-score of each were rung with the treble. 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th as the plain hunt bell.

B.R.S.A. GUILD OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS.

(Railwaymen's Guild)

ASTON, Warwickshire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Sept. 4, 1965, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 24 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb. in D.

*John W. D. Miller .. Treble	John E. Brough .. 6
Minnie I. Foskett .. 2	Sidney Foskett .. 7
Graham Paul .. 3	†Edric J. Franklin .. 8
Herbert Taylor .. 4	Jack N. Brown .. 9
Frank R. Morton .. 5	F. Neville Pailing .. Tenor

Composed by H. J. Tucker.

Conducted by John E. Brough.

* First peal on ten bells. † First of Royal First as conductor on ten bells.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD

ISLEWORTH, Middlesex.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Sept. 4, 1965, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CATERS

Hunter's No. 2. Tenor 16 cwt. 24 lb. in E.	
F. C. Hobson (St. John's) Treble	S. P. Darvill (Downing) .. 6
K. J. Darvill (St. Cath's) 2	K. J. Triplow (Selwyn) .. 7
J. M. H. Hunter (Trinity) 3	R. W. H. Hayes (Caius) .. 8
A. S. Hudson (Clare) .. 4	C. H. Rogers (Emmanuel) 9
S. C. Walters (Pembroke) 5	R. Shipp (Peterhouse) .. Tenor

Rung strictly silent and non-conducted.

Umpire: Robert C. Kippin

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

MACCLESFIELD, Cheshire.—At Chris. Church.

On Sat., Sept. 4, 1965, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5000 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

No. 3 Version. Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb.	
Brian J. Woodruffe .. Treble	John H. Fielden .. 6
Neil Bennett .. 2	John C. Eisel .. 7
Basil Jones .. 3	Frederick Shallcross .. 8
Harold C. Lonyon .. 4	A. Peter Whitehead .. 9
John Robinson .. 5	Robert B. Smith .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Robert B. Smith.

Rung after meeting short: Mr. Harold Lonyon standing in at very short notice.

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

On Tues., Aug. 24, 1965, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Robert J. Warrilow .. Treble	Philip G. K. Davies .. 5
Derek F. Yates .. 2	Basil Jones .. 6
Kenneth R. Davenport .. 3	Giles B. Thompson .. 7
John L. Shenton .. 4	John Robinson .. Tenor

Composed by W. Barton.

Conducted by Basil Jones.

AUDLEM, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. James-the-Great.

On Fri., Sept. 3, 1965, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in two methods: 20 of Grandsire and 22 of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. in A.

*Leon A. Perry .. Treble	*John R. Scott .. 4
*Geoffrey A. Edwards .. 2	Terence E. Trickett .. 5
Frank R. Morton .. 3	*Leonard J. Meredith .. Tenor

Conducted by Frank R. Morton.

* First peal and first attempt. Quickest peal on the bells.

A birthday compliment to Gerald Parsons (Sandbach).

THE CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSN.
CLEATOR MOOR, Cumberland.—At the Church of St. John Evan.
On Mon., Aug. 30, 1965, in 3 Hours and 33 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 17 lb. in E.

Richard S. Starkie Treble	Jeffrey Bragman 5
Philip G. K. Davies 2	Leslie Boumphrey 6
Christine Andrew 3	John Robinson 7
Dennis Latham 4	Denis Mottershead Tenor

Composed by Charles J. Sedgley.

Conducted by John Robinson.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

WEST PUTFORD, Devon.—At the Church of St. Stephen.

On Mon., Aug. 23, 1965, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.	Tenor 4 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb.
Alan J. Hicks Treble	Harry Stacey 4
Nigel J. Maggs 2	*Brian G. D. Vince 5
Derek S. Beaufoy 3	Thomas J. Setter Tenor

Conducted by Derek S. Beaufoy.

* First peal of Plain Bob Minor. First peal on the bells.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

LONDON, W.C.—At the Church of St. Clement Danes.

On Mon., Aug. 30, 1965, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb.

Frank V. Gant Treble	Dennis Ellidson 6
John W. Stephenson 2	Roy D. Tomlin 7
Joan M. Peacock 3	Robert J. Chapman 8
Peter D. Chapman 4	Andrew J. Salisbury 9
Harry Turner 5	Alfred J. House Tenor

Composed by George W. Debenham. Conducted by Alfred J. House.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

THORINGTON, Essex.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

On Sat., Sept. 4, 1965, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., St. Clement's Bob, Oxford Bob, and two extents of Plain Bob.	
Peter G. Pitt Treble	Neil V. Avis 4
Lesley Ward 2	Brian J. Vaughan 5
Stephen D. Humphrey 3	George N. Orman Tenor

Conducted by George N. Orman. Tenor 9 cwt.

THE GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION
CHELTENHAM, Gloucestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Aug. 28, 1965, in 3 Hours and 35 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 22 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb. in E flat.

Jack L. Millhouse Treble	Alexander J. Martin 7
Iris M. E. Lemare 2	Robert J. Warrilow 8
Norah M. Randles 3	George H. Randles 9
Derek F. Yates 4	Geoffrey R. Parker 10
John Worth 5	Basil Jones 11
C. Kenneth Lewis 6	A. Peter Whitehead Tenor

Composed by Charles J. Sedgley.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

LONGNEY, Gloucestershire.—At the Church of St. Lawrence.

On Sun., Aug. 29, 1965, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5152 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, being 1,312 Bristol and 1,280 Cambridge, Superlative and London, with 110 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell.

Derek F. Yates Treble	C. Kenneth Lewis 5
Iris M. E. Lemare 2	Alexander J. Martin 6
Robert J. Warrilow 3	Geoffrey R. Parker 7
Jack L. Millhouse 4	Basil Jones Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

Conducted by C. Kenneth Lewis.

BRISTOL.—At the Church of St. Ambrose.

On Tues., Aug. 31, 1965, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Richard J. Bowden .. Treble	Michael J. Hobbs 5
Gillian M. Hussey 2	D. John Hunt 6
Alan Tubbs 3	John C. Slater 7
*Jacqueline A. Hobbs .. 4	James R. Taylor Tenor

Composed by R. J. Parker.

Conducted by D. John Hunt.

* First peal of Yorkshire.

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. in G.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BUSHEY, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. James the Apostle.

On Thurs., July 1, 1965, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5024 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In five methods, comprising 1,088 London, 1024 Cambridge, 992 each of Pudsey and Superlative, and 928 Bristol, with 100 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.

H. George Hart Treble	S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. 5
Elsie K. Hart 2	Roger Baldwin 6
Christopher W. Woolley .. 3	Kenneth R. Dunstan .. 7
John Faircloth 4	Stephen Ivins Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

Conducted by Roger Baldwin.

BUSHEY, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. James the Apostle.
On Thurs., Sept. 2, 1965, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5280 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In six methods, comprising 960 London, 928 Watford, 896 Bristol, and 832 each of Cambridge, Pudsey and Superlative, with 127 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb. in F sharp.

D. Kay Adkins Treble	Christopher W. Woolley .. 5
Elsie K. Hart 2	Roger Baldwin 6
Christine M. Rimmer .. 3	Anthony R. Kench 7
David Carpenter 4	Richard F. B. Speed .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

Conducted by Roger Baldwin.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

LEEDS, Kent.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sat., Sept. 4, 1965, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 20 cwt in E.

Peter S. Muchlinski .. Treble	John W. Gander 6
Cyril S. Jarrett 2	David S. Osenton 7
*Ann Jenner 3	Martin L. Howe 8
Alexander Waddington .. 4	John W. Coleman 9
Stapley Jenner 5	Bernard F. L. Groves .. Tenor

Composed by Giles B. Thompson. Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.

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

SALEHURST, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Sept. 4, 1965, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 16½ cwt.
Edward Baker Treble	Leslie W. Jarvis 5
Judy Bowen 2	†Philip Harrison 6
*Marion Kemp 3	Geoffrey Waters 7
William Gorrington .. 4	Albert E. Kemp Tenor

Conducted by William Gorrington.

* First peal. † First "inside" and first of Triples.

All the band are Sunday service ringers at St. Laurence's, Hawk-hurst.

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

On Sat., Sept. 4, 1965, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 ADDERBURY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 1 qr. in E.

Doris E. Colgate Treble	Timothy G. Pett 5
Hilary F. Hinde 2	Ralph Bird 6
*Ann Jenner 3	Robert W. Hinde 7
Edward J. Jenner 4	Stanley Jenner Tenor

Composed by Stephen J. Ivins. Conducted by Stanley Jenner.

* 150th peal. First peal in the method by all the band, in the county and for the Association.

A birthday compliment to Mr. John Willis, vice-president of the Association.

MILTON REGIS, Kent.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Thurs., Sept. 2, 1965, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.	Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb. in G.
Joan A. Hayward Treble	George A. Naylor 4
*Peter D. J. Beal 2	Brian Jemmett 5
*Nicholas J. Chesson .. 3	Peter M. Wilkinson Tenor

Conducted by Peter M. Wilkinson.

* First tower-bell peal and first of Minor.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

KENDAL, Westmorland.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., Aug. 28, 1965, in 3 Hours and 51 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb. in D flat.

Richard S. Starkie .. Treble	Denis Mottershead 6
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. 2	Philip G. K. Davies 7
Christine Andrew 3	Dennis Latham 8
Cyril Crossthwaite 4	Jeffrey Brannan 9
John A. Booth 5	John Robinson Tenor

Conducted by Denis Mottershead.

(Preston Branch).

SAMLESBURY, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Leonard-the-Less.

On Thurs., Aug. 26, 1965, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5152 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in E.

Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. Treble	*Roger Barnes 5
*John Ascroft 2	*Dennis McCormick .. 6
Margaret Crossthwaite .. 3	*Alan Gardner 7
Lawrence Walmsley .. 4	Cyril Crossthwaite Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Cyril Crossthwaite.

* First peal of Bob Major. First peal on the bells for 30 years.
Rung for the christening of Ruth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Clayton—both ringers at this tower.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

AUGHTON, Lancashire.—At Christ Church.
On Mon., Aug. 30, 1965, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 lb. in F.

John R. Lunham Treble	Eric Cook 5
Robert Larkey 2	Edmund Rothwell 6
William E. Court 3	Dennis R. Jones 7
Stanley Livesey 4	Jack N. Brown Tenor

Composed by T. B. Worsley. Conducted by Jack N. Brown.
In memoriam James Marsh, for over 60 years a ringer at this tower.

SOUTHPORT, Lancashire.—At Christ Church.

On Thurs., Sept. 2, 1965, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lb. in F.

*Dennis Jones Treble	Norman Heaps 5
*Fred Pearson 2	Eric Cook 6
*Victor Draper 3	Joseph Ridyard 7
*Martin Snape 4	Ronald Kenrick Tenor

Composed by T. B. Worsley. Conducted by Ronald Kenrick.
* First peal of Yorkshire. † 25th peal together.
Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Martin Snape.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

CAMBRIDGE.—At the Church of St. Mary the Great.

On Mon., Aug. 30, 1965, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 27 cwt. 13 lb.

Peter J. Staniforth Treble	A. James Poyner 7
David G. Willford 2	Brian S. Chapman 8
W. Ernest Rawson 3	Alan McFall 9
Alan E. Hartley 4	Roland H. Cook 10
Malcolm E. Wade 5	Russell S. Morris 11
John M. Jelley 6	Robert B. Smith Tenor

Composed by R. W. Pipe. Conducted by John M. Jelley.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

RAUNDS, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Sept. 4, 1965, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt. 8 lb. in D.

A. Maxwell Lindsey .. Treble	Geoffrey M. Brewin .. 5
*Malcolm E. Wade .. 2	William A. Lacey .. 6
W. Ernest Rawson .. 3	Roland H. Cook .. 7
Martin C. Faulkes .. 4	R. Kingsley Mason .. Tenor

Composed by Charles W. Roberts. Conducted by R. Kingsley Mason.
* 50th peal for the Guild.

Rung as a 78th birthday compliment to Mr. Walter J. Tanser, of St. Margaret's, Leicester.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

EWERBY, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Sept. 4, 1965, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5000 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL

Tenor 15 cwt. 23 lb. in D.

*Geoffrey R. Parker .. Treble	*John H. Parker .. 6
*Joyce M. Gurnhill .. 2	George H. Randles .. 7
*Peter A. Sharp .. 3	*George A. Dawson .. 8
*Margaret E. Chilton .. 4	*John R. Pratchett .. 9
Jack L. Millhouse .. 5	*Geoffrey Paul .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. Parker. Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.
* First peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Michael W. Crowder and Roseann Pile, married this day at Barrow-on-Humber.

GREASLEY, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., Aug. 30, 1965, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

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

Graham J. N. Colborne .. Treble	*Derek J. Jones .. 5
Roger D. Bailey .. 2	Alan G. Payne .. 6
Keith R. Davey .. 3	Harold Barsley .. 7
F. Neville Pailing .. 4	*Richard A. G. Inglis .. Tenor

Conducted by Roger D. Bailey.

* 100th peal. † First of Surprise Major "inside."

ALFORD, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Wilfrid.

On Sat., Aug. 7, 1965, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents in seven methods: (1) London, (2) Wells, (3) York, (4) Durham, (5) Beverley, (6) Surfleet, (7) Cambridge.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

Janet E. Hubbard .. Treble	Harold Barsley .. 4
Derek J. Jones .. 2	Albert E. Flatters .. 5
Keith R. Davey .. 3	Alan G. Payne .. Tenor

Conducted by Albert E. Flatters.

Conductor's 100th peal.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

WITHAM-ON-THE-HILL, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Aug. 28, 1965, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents in 12 methods: (1) London, (2) Westminster, Allendale and Fryerning, (3) Hexham and Berwick, (4) Norwich, (5) York, (6) Ipswich and Cambridge, (7) Beverley and Surfleet.

Tenor 13½ cwt. in F.

J. Martin Thorley .. Treble	*Keith R. Davey .. 4
Derek J. Jones .. 2	Roland H. Cook .. 5
Roger D. Bailey .. 3	Alan G. Payne .. Tenor

Conducted by Roger D. Bailey.

* 50th peal together.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

ABERGAVERN, Monmouthshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Aug. 28, 1965, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in D.

Donald G. Clift .. Treble	Frank L. Harris .. 6
Mrs. F. J. Marshallsay .. 2	John Hartless .. 7
Michael J. Thomas .. 3	Lewis F. Cobb .. 8
Philip N. Tubbs .. 4	Robert C. Kippin .. 9
*Nicholas W. H. Simon .. 5	Ronald N. Marlow .. Tenor

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by Frank L. Harris.
* 100th peal.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire. At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Tues., Aug. 31, 1965, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in B.

Dan S. Pont .. Treble	Joseph W. Cotton .. 5
Richard J. Clifton .. 2	Arthur E. Rowley .. 6
*Edwin Deakin .. 3	G. Ronald Edwards .. 7
*Ron Hughes .. 4	Roland Beniston .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pittsow. Conducted by Roland Beniston.
* First peal in the method. † 25th peal.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

DEREHAM, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Wed., Aug. 18, 1965, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lb. in E flat.

Ernest H. Mastin .. Treble	Peter Adcock .. 5
Shelagh R. Collins .. 2	Kevin S. Hohl .. 6
*Timothy G. Pett .. 3	John S. Barnes .. 7
George P. Adams .. 4	Norman V. Harding .. Tenor

Composed by A. Craven. Conducted by Shelagh R. Collins.
* 50th peal.

MULBARTON, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalen.

On Wed., Aug. 25, 1965, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents, with four variations of calling.

Tenor 8½ cwt. in A flat.

*Peter N. Mackley .. Treble	Timothy G. Pett .. 4
*Richard A. J. Bower .. 2	George P. Adams .. 5
†Sidney Marshall .. 3	John S. Barnes .. Tenor

Conducted by John S. Barnes.

* First peal of Surprise. † First of Cambridge Minor. The conductor has now rung Cambridge from Minor to Maximus.

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THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION NORTH ELMHAM, Norfolk.—At the Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

On Sun., Aug. 22, 1965, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

*Marion Adcock Treble	Sidney Marshall 5
John S. Barges 2	Tony Owen 6
Peter Adcock 3	Kevin S. Hohl 7
Edward Howes 4	Timothy G. Pett Tenor

Composed by F. Nolan Golden. Conducted by Timothy G. Pett.
* First peal, first attempt. Tenor 14½ cwt.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. HUGHENDEN, Buckinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Thurs., Sept. 2, 1965, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Roland Biggs Treble	Sydney M. Bailey 5
Joyce I. Barton 2	Roger G. Hazell 6
Gillian N. Smith 3	Robert H. Newton 7
Arthur Newton 4	David A. Cornwall Tenor

Composed by G. Williams. Conducted by David A. Cornwall.
Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to the ringer of the 3rd.
350th peal on the bells. Tenor 14 cwt, 3 qr. 19 lb.

ALDERMASTON, Berkshire.—At the Church of Mary.

On Sat., Sept. 4, 1965, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 20 methods, comprising 640 London, 320 each of Cray, Lindum, Lincolnshire, Cambridge, Yorkshire, Pudsey, Bristol, Eastcote and Wordsworth and 160 each of Framley, Superlative, Uxbridge, Hitcham, Watford, Hereford, New Gloucester, Heathcote, Wembley and Rutland, with 139 changes of method. Tenor 10 cwt, 2 qr. 14 lb.
Maurice A. New Treble James R. Taylor 5
Brian Bladon 2 Anthony R. Peake 6
Michael J. Hobbs 3 Cyril A. Wratten 7
Edward R. Venn 4 Rev. Roger Keeley Tenor

Composed by Albert J. Pitman. Conducted by Anthony R. Peake.
The greatest number of Major methods to a peal by all the band.

IFFLEY, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Tues., Aug. 24, 1965, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In three methods, being 1,440 each of Plain Bob and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, and 2,160 of Grandshire. Tenor 10 cwt. in A.
*David Pullen Treble †Roy Goodwin 4
Leonard R. Porter 2 Laurence H. W. Busby 5
Roy H. Jones 3 A. James Adams Tenor

Conducted by Roy H. Jones.
* First peal, first attempt. † First in three methods.
Rung for the Festival of St. Bartholomew.

FRITWELL, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Olave.

On Thurs., Aug. 26, 1965, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 BOB MINIMUS

*Pauline H. Willis Treble †Garth A. Porter 3
Leonard R. Porter 2 Roy H. Jones Tenor

Conducted by Roy H. Jones.
* First peal, first attempt. † First of Minimus "inside."
Rung as a farewell to Miss Margaret Winning, daughter of the tower captain, who leaves for college

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

OAKHAM, Rutland.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Mon., Aug. 30, 1965, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 24 cwt, 2 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.

Anthony D. Sansom Treble	Robin G. Leale 5
David P. Hilling 2	Edward R. Venn 6
Gillian A. Leale 3	J. Keith Ward 7
Frederick R. Scott 4	Christopher C. Clarke Tenor

Composed by Charles W. Roberts. Conducted by David P. Hilling.

UFFINGTON, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sat., Aug. 21, 1965, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being 1,440 St. Clement's, Nos. 7, 86; Oxford T.B., No. 121; Plain Bob, No. 8; Kent T.B., No. 125; Plain Bob, No. 11; one spliced 720 of Oxford and Kent T.B. Tenor 13 cwt.
Ian Bell Treble Charles E. Black 4
*Maureen Simop 2 Frank Bovall 5
Susan Stimson 3 John H. Bluff Tenor

* First peal. Conducted by John H. Bluff.

WHISSENDINE, Rutland.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Aug. 28, 1965, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in 13 methods: (1) Beverley and Surfleet, (2) Double Court, (3) Cambridge, (4) Hereward and Single Oxford, (5) Double Oxford, Thelwall, St. Clement's and Childwall, (6) Oxford T.B., (7) Double Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 12½ cwt.
John H. Bluff Treble Roland H. Cook 4
Derek J. Jones 2 Roger D. Bailey 5
Alan G. Payne 3 J. Martin Thorley Tenor

Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM. BIRMINGHAM.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.

On Thurs., Aug. 19, 1965, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 31 cwt, 21 lb. in D.

J. Alan Ainsworth Treble	John C. Eisel 6
*S. Clarke Walters 2	Martin D. Fellows 7
Roderick W. Pipe 3	Frederick Shallcross 8
George E. Fearn 4	Clifford A. Barron 9
Michael J. Fellows 5	Peter Border Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.
* First peal of London Royal.

BIRMINGHAM.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.

On Thurs., Aug. 26, 1965, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5000 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 31 cwt, 21 lb. in D.

Mary Prior Treble	Michael J. Fellows 6
George E. Fearn 2	Norman J. Goodman 7
John C. Eisel 3	Clifford A. Barron 8
J. Alan Ainsworth 4	Frederick Shallcross 9
Martin D. Fellows 5	Peter Border Tenor

Composed by Roderick W. Pipe. Conducted by Peter Border.

BRISTOL.—At the Cathedral Church of the Holy and Undivided Trinity.

On Sun., Aug. 29, 1965, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In five methods, comprising 1,088 London, 1,024 Cambridge, and 992 each of Superlative, Bristol and Pudsey, with 101 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.

Tenor 21 cwt, 1 lb. in E flat.

D. John Hunt Treble	Martin D. Fellows 5
John C. Eisel 2	Peter Border 6
Gillian M. Hussey 3	George E. Fearn 7
Norman J. Goodman 4	J. Alan Ainsworth Tenor

Composed by Albert J. Pitman. Conducted by Peter Border.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

STAFFORD.—At the Collegiate Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., Aug. 30, 1965, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 19 cwt, 11 lb. in E.

*Ruth A. E. Fairbrother .. Treble	Remi M. Hodister 6
Richard J. Warrilow 2	Frank Beech, jun. 7
*Edward R. Fairbrother .. 3	George E. Morrall 8
A. Elizabeth Timmins 4	Christopher J. Hughes 9
*Philip R. Johnson 5	Ian Friend Tenor

Arranged by David W. Friend. Conducted by Ian Friend.
* First peal on ten bells. The ringer of the 2nd has now "circled the tower."

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

NOTTINGHAM.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

On Sat., Aug. 28, 1965, in 3 Hours and 31 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 35 cwt, 2 qr. 23 lb. in C sharp.

*Christine L. J. Mills .. Treble	*R. Brian Mills 6
Joyce M. Gurnhill 2	‡David Stainsby 7
†Judith A. Stocker 3	Peter A. Sharp 8
*Peter R. Humphrey 4	William L. Exton 9
Harry Poyner 5	Walter Nichols Tenor

Composed by John Carter. Conducted by William L. Exton.
* First peal of Grandshire and on ten. † First peal. ‡ First of Grandshire Caters "inside."
Rung as a 45th wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. W. Nichols.

BALDERTON, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Sat., Aug. 28, 1965, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt, 24 lb. in G sharp.

*Grace Burchnall Treble	‡David H. Pritchett 5
*Katharine Burchnall 2	Harold Denman 6
†Beryl N. Reed 3	§Cyril H. Pritchett 7
†Peter Wakefield 4	Colin W. Reed Tenor

Composed by J. B. Worsley. Conducted by Colin W. Reed.
* 350th peal. † First peal in the method. ‡ First of Major. § First of Treble Bob. First of Treble Bob as conductor. First peal in the method on the bells.

SILK WILLOUGHBY, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Denis.

On Sat., Aug. 28, 1965, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being an extent each of Double Court, Single Court, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt, 3 qr. 18 lb.
Ruth Blackshaw Treble Walter Tomlinson 4
Ronald G. Russell 2 Maurice W. Harrison 5
Philip C. Pitchford 3 James H. Musson Tenor

Conducted by James H. Musson.

The conductor has now called 100 peals from the tenor.
A wedding compliment to Kenneth L. Wade and Miss Rhoda M. Mays. A birthday compliment to Mr. Walter Tomlinson. A 21st birthday compliment to James R. Musson, the conductor's son.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
WHATTON-IN-THE-VALE, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. John of Beverley.

On Sat., Aug. 28, 1965, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 13 cwt. 24 lb. in E.
 Margaret E. Chilton .. Treble *Richard A. G. Inglis .. 4
 Thomas G. Goodwin .. 2 †George A. Dawson .. 5
 Simon Humphrey .. 3 John R. Pratchett .. Tenor

Conducted by John R. Pratchett.

* First peal of Minor in the method. † 75th peal.

A birthday compliment to Miss Elisabeth Foster and Simon Humphrey, both of Wollaton.

BABWORTH, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of All Saints.
 On Sat., Sept. 4, 1965, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, comprising one extent each of Norwich Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's, Single Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 7½ cwt.

Christine L. J. Mills .. Treble John A. Coates .. 4
 Mary C. Poyner .. 2 R. Brian Mills .. 5
 William L. Exton .. 3 Harry Poyner .. Tenor

Conducted by Harry Poyner.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

IPSWICH, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Clement.
 On Tues., Aug. 24, 1965, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In five methods: (1 and 2) Cambridge Surprise, (3) Oxford T.B., (4) Kent T.B., (5) St. Clement's, (6 and 7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb. in F sharp.

Margaret Egglestone .. Treble Roy C. Groom .. 4
 Robert E. Lester .. 2 C. Stanley Bloomfield .. 5
 Colin F. Loke .. 3 Howard W. Egglestone .. Tenor

Conducted by Howard W. Egglestone.

A 20th birthday compliment to Timothy Gooderham.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

WEST CLANDON, Surrey.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
 On Mon., Aug. 30, 1965, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. in E.

John W. Smith .. Treble Alan R. Millidge .. 5
 Robert J. Cooles .. 2 D. Paul Smith .. 6
 *G. William Shanks .. 3 Alan E. Bagworth .. 7
 Anthony E. Clayton .. 4 Michael J. Uphill .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Michael J. Uphill.

* First peal "inside." First of Plain Bob Major as conductor.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
WHITCHURCH, Hampshire.—At the Church of All Hallows.

On Sat., Sept. 4, 1965, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 PAINSWICK SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt.

Geoffrey K. Dodd .. Treble *Sydney M. Bailey .. 5
 *Christopher C. Clarke .. 2 William Birmingham .. 6
 Reginald W. Rex .. 3 *Wilfrid G. Wilson .. 7
 *Michael Hatchett .. 4 Alan R. Pink .. Tenor

Composed by Nolan Golden. Conducted by Alan R. Pink.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.

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

On Sun., Aug. 29, 1965, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 5 cwt. 3 qr. 24 lb.
 *Lesley J. Read .. Treble *David M. Hughes .. 4
 Denby Murduck .. 2 Geoffrey K. Dodd .. 5
 Charles E. Bassett .. 3 Philip Murduck .. Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

* First peal of Minor. The first peal on the bells. A complete six by Mears and Stainbank.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
PERSHORE, Worcestershire.—At the Abbey Church of St. Edburgha, St. Mary and the Holy Cross.

On Sat., Aug. 28, 1965, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 28 cwt. in D.

*Martin J. Boskett .. Treble Arthur C. Berry .. 5
 Ian Lloyd .. 2 Alan E. Bagworth .. 6
 †Alan R. Millidge .. 3 †Michael J. Uphill .. 7
 Geoffrey J. Hemming .. 4 Gerald C. Hemming .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton. Arranged by H. Johnson

Conducted by Gerald C. Hemming.

* First peal of Surprise. † 25th peal together.

EARL'S CROOME, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.
 On Sat., Aug. 28, 1965, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

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

Tenor 8 cwt. 14 lb. in A sharp.

Alan R. Millidge .. Treble James Attwood, jun. .. 4
 Michael J. Uphill .. 2 Arthur C. Berry .. 5
 Ian Lloyd .. 3 Alan E. Bagworth .. Tenor

Conducted by Arthur C. Berry.

BREDON'S NORTON, Worcestershire.—At the Chapel of Ease.

On Sun., Aug. 29, 1965, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 6½ cwt. in B.

Michael J. Uphill .. Treble Alan E. Bagworth .. 4
 Richard G. Bateman .. 2 Arthur C. Berry .. 5
 Martin J. Boskett .. 3 James Attwood, jun. .. Tenor

Conducted by Michael J. Uphill.

The first peal of Minor on the bells since rehanging by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank earlier this year.

A compliment to Martin Boskett, on his 15th birthday.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BRADFORD, Yorkshire.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Peter.

On Mon., Aug. 30, 1965, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

No. 3 Version. Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb. in D.

Roger J. Lumley .. Treble Vivian Nutton .. 6
 Edward Jenkins .. 2 Neil Donovan .. 7
 Stuart Armeson .. 3 Derek Butterworth .. 8
 J. Henry Fielden .. 4 Neil Bennett .. 9
 J. Barry Pickup .. 5 Richard E. Price .. Tenor

Arranged by W. E. Critchley.

Conducted by Richard E. Price.

(The Sheffield and District Society).

HANDSWORTH, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Aug. 21, 1965, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5152 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. in F sharp.

John J. L. Gilbert .. Treble Cyril Rusby .. 5
 John E. Turley .. 2 John N. D. Chaddock .. 6
 *Mrs. D. A. Chapman .. 3 Dennis A. Chapman .. 7
 Geoffrey Goodall .. 4 †Frederick J. Jackson .. Tenor

Composed by W. Barton. Conducted by John J. L. Gilbert.

* First peal in the method.
 Rung to celebrate the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. A. Percival Knights.

BRIGHOUSE, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Martin.

On Sat., Sept. 4, 1965, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

David Smith .. Treble M. Susap Jackson .. 5
 Iris M. E. Lemare .. 2 Vivian Nutton .. 6
 Frances Fairbank .. 3 *David S. Johnson .. 7
 *Ronald Ducker .. 4 J. Henry Fielden .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pittow.

Conducted by J. Henry Fielden.

* First peal of London. Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb.

ADWICK-LE-STREET, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Lawrence.
 On Thurs., Aug. 26, 1965, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being 720 Single Oxford, 1,440 Oxford T.B., 720 Kent T.B., 2,160 Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

Florence P. E. Chester .. Treble *John Laughton .. 4
 Russell Stephenson .. 2 †John Whitham .. 5
 *Leonard Vegabes .. 3 Frederick J. Jackson .. Tenor

Conducted by Frederick J. Jackson.

* First peal. † First of Minor.

Rung to celebrate the 50th year of Adwick Urban District Council.

(Beverley and District Society).

EASTRINGTON, East Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sat., Aug. 28, 1965, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being extents as follows: Double Court, Single Oxford, Cambridge, Kent T.B., St. Clement's, Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob.

Michael J. Wilson (14) .. Treble Norman V. Harding .. 4
 *Robert C. Hawtree .. 2 David S. Johnson .. 5
 Richard D. Gibson .. 3 F. Charles Hobson .. Tenor

Conducted by F. Charles Hobson.

* First peal, first attempt.

Tenor 10 cwt. 19 lb.

HANDBELL PEAL

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

MARPLE, Cheshire.—At All Saints' Bell Tower.

On Wed., Sept. 1, 1965, in 1 Hour and 53 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor size 15 in C.

*Alan McFall .. 1—2 †Robert B. Smith (cond.) 3—4
 †Gerald Moorhouse .. 5—6

* First peal of Kent T.B. Minor "in hand" and 100th peal together
 † First of Minor "in hand."

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BIRTHS

KINCHIN.—To Mary (née Wilford) and John, twin daughters. Anne Elizabeth and Susan Jane, on September 2nd, 1965, at Leicester. 7580

SMITH.—To Lucy (née Allen) and Clive, on September 7th at the Victoria Hospital, Lichfield, a daughter. 7587

ENGAGEMENT

PHILLIPS—HASTINGS.—The engagement is announced between Malcolm Anthony, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Phillips, of Solihull, Warwickshire, and Muriel Caroline, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Hastings, of Wigton, Cumberland. 7564

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CORRECTION.—Will those with copies of the Middlesex Association Report please amend the times of Wednesday practices at St. Matthew, Upper Clapton, to 7 p.m. Our ringing must finish at 8 p.m.—C. Neal. 7415

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The half-yearly and committee meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Walton, Liverpool, on Saturday, October 9th. Ringing at Tuebrook 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.; Walton 3.15 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. and after tea. Names for tea (2/- each) to Mrs. M. Martin, 77, Bedford Road, Liverpool 4. — F. Reynolds, Gen. Sec. 7353

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September 19th, 1965.

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All welcome. 7590

BELLRINGERS' DIARY. 1966.—A record number of reminder postcards have been sent requesting information. Mr. Viggers hopes for all replies before press date, September 20th. 7597

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.—New members of the University are invited to contact the Secretary, F. C. Hobson, 96, Southella Way, Kirk Ella, Hull, or St. John's College. First practice of term Wednesday, October 6th, St. Andrew's Church. 7595

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Committee meeting, King's Head Hotel, Matlock, Wednesday, September 29th, 7.30 p.m.—B. P. Morris, Sec. 7602

ELSTOW ABBEY, BEDS.—Ringing resumed following repairs to the tower and frame supports. Practice night Friday at 7.45. Sunday at 10.30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Visitors welcome.—Miss M. F. Pettitt, Tower Captain. 7576

KEELE UNIVERSITY.—Would all intending ringers coming up this term contact Philip Kimber, c/o Physics Department. 7567

KINGSBURY, WARWICKSHIRE.—Practice night changed to Friday, 8-9.30 p.m.; Sundays, 10.30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Methods up to London. All welcome. 7575

NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY SOCIETY OF CHANGE RINGERS.—The first ringing of term will be on Sunday, October 3rd, at 6 p.m. at St. John's, Newcastle. Freshers are invited to contact Jennifer Sceny, 105, Wyndham Crescent, Burnham, Bucks. 7585

ROSS.—Your prayers are asked for all those who are to be ordained at this time, and especially for Frederick Ross, who is to be ordained priest by the Lord Archbishop of York in York Minster on Sunday, September 19th, 1965. Now serving in the parish of All Saints, Hesse. 7571

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.—New students coming up are warmly welcome at the first practice of term on Thursday, October 7th, at St. Olave's, Hart Street, at 6.30 p.m. Tube: Tower Hill. Turn right out of station and right again up Seething Lane. Further information from the Secretary: R. E. J. Dennis, Christ Church Vicarage, Breeze Hill, Boodle 20, Lancs. General meeting, October 16th. 7482

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MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Crewkerne Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Hinton St. George (6), Saturday, September 18th. Usual arrangements, notify for tea to J. I. Locke, Hon. Sec. 7563

CHESTER GUILD.—Stockport Branch.—Meeting at Wilmslow, September 18th. Striking competition 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. For tea please advise Mr. S. Sage, 71, Oak Lane, Wilmslow. All welcome.—C. K. Lewis. 7572

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Coventry District.—Meeting, Saturday, September 18th. Newbold-on-Avon. Bells 3 p.m. Names for tea to A. G. Eveleigh, 39, Meadow Road, Newbold-on-Avon, Rugby. 7560

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting, March St. Wendreda, Saturday, September 18th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea provided 5 p.m.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 7544

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Hunts District.—Meeting at Whittlesey (St. Mary's Church), Saturday, September 18th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. After tea further ringing. The venue, either St. Mary's or St. Andrew's (not both), will be announced at tea.—Michael J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 7570

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—District Striking Competition, Send, September 18th. Bells 2.30. Evening ringing for all. Names for tea to Mr. S. Strudwick, Eskholm, Potters Lane, Send, Woking. 7533

HAWKHURST AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Next meeting will be at Kilndown on September 18th, starting at 3 p.m. Special business: A new secretary. Make your own arrangements for tea.—D. West, Hon. Sec. 7469

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—Sandridge, September 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. T. Hawkins, 23, Blenheim Road, St. Albans.—R. D. R. Brown, Dis. Sec. 7550

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Bishop's Stortford District.—Meeting, Brent Pelham, Saturday, September 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Ringing at Barkway in the evening. Names for tea to W. J. Trigg, Lower Cottages, Brent Pelham, Buntingford, Herts.—D. H. K. 7573

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—Meeting at Flixton on Saturday, September 18th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Cups of tea only at 5 p.m.—J. Brannan, Branch Sec. 7569

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Loughborough District.—Monthly meeting, September 18th, at Shephed. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in Church Hall. Names for tea to Mr. G. Butler, 21, Bridge Street, Shephed, Loughborough, Leics. 7488

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Market Harborough District.—Meeting at Ilston-on-the-Hill, September 18. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m., Fox and Goose.—L. W. Allen, Dis. Sec. 7579

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—N. and E. District.—Meeting, Saturday, September 18th, at Edgware. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Business to follow. Evening ringing. Please make an effort to support this meeting.—E. H. Kilby, Dis. Sec. 7541

NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.—Meeting at Uttoxeter on Saturday, September 18th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 5.30. Tea 6 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. F. Parker, 138, Smithfield Road, Uttoxeter, Staffs.—D. J. Midgley, Hon. Sec. 7568

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northampton Branch.—All Saints', Pitsford. Service of thanksgiving for restoration of the tower and dedication of a new treble bell to augment the ring to six. Service, September 18th, 4 p.m. Tea and biscuits. Ringing. All welcome.—E. L.

SALISBURY GUILD.—Calne Branch.—Meeting, Bremhill (6), September 18th. Usual times. Names for tea, please, to W. Frayling, 9, Lodowicks, Bremhill, Calne. Special method: Single Oxford. 7558

SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.—Meeting at Bottesford (8) on Saturday, September 18th, at 3 p.m. Own tea arrangements. 7566

SOUTHWELL GUILD.—Final Crawford Cup Contest, Barnby, Saturday, September 18th, 2.30. Names for tea to Mrs. C. W. Reed, 43, Dale Crescent, Balderton, Newark.—B. N. Reed. 7519

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting, Epsom Common, September 18th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Miss S. Marsh, 94, Manor Green Road, Epsom. Note: St. Martin's bells not available.—K. Game, Dis. Sec. 7524

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.—Quarterly meeting, Buxted (8), Saturday, September 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea, please, by previous Wednesday, to Miss S. G. Rice, 40, Fairfield Gardens, Portslade. 7547

TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.—Truro Branch.—Meeting at St. Mawgan-in-Pydar, Saturday, September 18th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—Miss B. J. Duck, Branch Sec., 1, Benson Road, Hendra, Truro. 7496

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Chesterfield District.—Annual outing to Beverley on September 18th. For details please contact Malcolm Phipps, Dis. Sec., 23, Walton Drive, Boythorpe, Chesterfield, as soon as possible. 7557

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Northern Branch.—Meeting at Brierley Hill, Saturday, September 18th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Names for tea, please.—Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., 17, Ham Lane, Pedmore, Stourbridge, Worcs. 7525

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Derby District.—Open practice at St. Alkmund's, Derby, on Thursday, September 23rd, at 7.30 p.m. Special methods: Grand-sire and Double Norwich.—M. A. Willis, Dis. Sec. 7586

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. — Taunton Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Sampford-Arundel, September 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, please.—A. H. Reed, Mimosa, George Street, Taunton. 7523

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Luton District.—Meeting, Saturday, September 25th. Caddington. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30 p.m. Names by 23rd to Mrs. A. Baldwin, 81, Dunstable Road, Caddington, near Luton. 7598

CHESTER GUILD. — Grappenhall Branch.—A meeting will be held at Warburton on Saturday, September 25th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. 7600

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. — Crewe Branch.—Church Lawton, September 25th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by September 22nd to W. Kerr, 107, Moreton Road, Crewe. 7584

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. — Meeting at Sprotborough (8), Saturday, September 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names to Mr. E. Short, 310, Melton Road, Sprotborough, Doncaster. 7582

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. — South West Branch.—Autumn meeting, Saturday, September 25th, at Dodbrooke. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Ringing arrangements: Dodbrooke (6). 2.30-4.30; West Alvington (6). 2.30-3.45; Kingsbridge (8). 6.30-7.30; West Alvington (6). 7.45-8.45 p.m. Names for tea to me by Monday, September 20th, please.—Mrs. M. A. Bould, Branch Sec., Crelake Mews, Tavistock. 7552

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Association Dinner arranged by Rochester District at Sittingbourne, Saturday, September 25th, 7 p.m. for 7.30 p.m.

Tickets (12/6 each) from B. W. May, Keithston, Keycol Hill, Bobbing, Sittingbourne, Kent (s.a.e. with application), not later than first post, September 21st.

P. A. Corby, Hon. Gen. Sec. 7429

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Bolton Branch.—Meeting at St. Peter Smithills on Saturday, September 25th. Free tea at 5 p.m. only for those who send names to John F. Wood, 20, Moorside Avenue, Bolton. St. Peter's afternoon only from 2.30 p.m. All Souls' from 6 p.m.—Thornley. 7599

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Fylde Branch.—Meeting at St. Peter's R.C. Church, Clifton Street, Lytham, on Saturday, September 25th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. 7596

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. — Hinckley District.—Meeting, Enderby, Saturday, September 25th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Cups of tea.—V. Watts, Dis. Sec. 7601

NATIONAL POLICE GUILD OF RINGERS. — The A.G.M. will be held at Hereford on Saturday, September 25th. Members meet for coffee at the Mayor's Parlour 11 a.m. Luncheon City Arms 1 p.m. Ringing details will be circulated to members. All names and addresses, not later than 17th, to P.C. Cousins, Police Station, Ross-on-Wye. Price of tickets 17/6. Any items for the agenda to Hon. Secretary, P.C. Holt, 15, Gressingham Walk, Scotforth, Lancaster. 7511

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — North Berks Branch.—Autumn meeting, September 25th, at West Hanney. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m., followed by meeting in Village Hall. Names for tea to C. Corderoy, West-Wynds, Westbrook Street, Blewbury, Didcot, by 21st. 7461

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. — Northampton Branch.—Meeting at Moulton on Saturday, September 25th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to B. E. Frost, 40, Foxgrove Avenue, Northampton. 7538

RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD

AUTUMN MEETING AT SWANSEA

September 25th, 1965

PROGRAMME

Coach depart St. Mary's Square 9.40 a.m.

St. Thomas (6), Neath, 10 to 11 a.m.

Coach arrives Port Talbot station 11.30 a.m. (approx.) to meet London train.

Baglan (6), 12 noon to 1 p.m.

Lunch, The Camopic, Restaurant, Southend, Mumbles, 1.45 p.m.

St. Mary's, Swansea (8), 3 to 4 p.m.

High tea, Stuart Hall, Sketty, 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow.

St. Paul's, Sketty (8), 6.30 to 8.30 p.m.

Aberavon (8) available Friday, September 24th, 7.30 p.m.

J. Arthur Hoare, Hon. Sec. 7420

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. — Dorchester Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Upwey, Saturday, September 25th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. For tea, notify by Wednesday previous A. J. Slade, 8, Verlands Road, Preston, Weymouth. 7553

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. — Salisbury Branch.—Practice meeting, September 25th. Damerham. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names by Tuesday, 21st, to Mrs. J. Baverstock, 14, West Park Lane, Damerham, Fordingbridge. 7556

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. — West Dorset Branch.—Meeting at Lyme Regis, Saturday, September 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to J. Davis, Mount, Melplash, Bridport. 7577

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION

The Annual

LICHFIELD DIOCESAN FESTIVAL

will be held at Oswestry on Sept. 25th (Car park in Lower Brook Street)

Towers open:

Ellesmere, St. Mary (8) 2.00-3.00

St. Martin's, St. Martin (6) 2.45-3.45

Oswestry, St. Oswald (8) 3.15-4.25

Service at Oswestry at 4.30,

followed by tea at 5.15.

Shrewsbury, St. Mary (10) 7.00-8.00

Shrewsbury, St. Chad (12) 8.00-9.00

Inquiries and reservations for tea—high, middle or low—should be sent to me at 18, Ferra's Road, Oswestry (Tel. 2744). Last minute bookings are possible, but the fate of the foolish virgins should not be forgotten. Visitors and non-resident life members especially welcome! Roger B. Morris, Ringing Master. 7327

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD (Newark District) and **LADIES' GUILD** (Eastern Branch).—Joint meeting, Balderton, Saturday, September 25th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to me, please, by previous Tuesday.—Mrs. B. N. Reed, 43, Dale Crescent, Balderton, Newark. 7520

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Annual Striking Competition, Cavendish, Saturday, September 25th. Teams please meet at church for draw at 1.45 p.m. Late arrivals please report to Ringing Master on arrival. Service follows last band to compete at 5.15 p.m., approx. Tea 6 p.m., followed by results and presentation of shield. Ringing at Clare, 7-9 p.m. Entries and names for tea by Saturday, September 18th, if possible, please, to Andrew T. Beckwith, 8, Lansdowne Road, Ipswich (Tel. 75647). 7540

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Eastern Division.—Practice meeting, Alfriston (6), Saturday, September 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to A. R. Baldock, 23, Broomfield Street, Eastbourne, by Wednesday, September 22nd.—G. FitzHugh, Div. Sec. 7527

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Eastern District.—Quarterly meeting at Hutton Cranswick, on Saturday, September 25th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. C. Harrison, Westholm, Hutton Cranswick, not later than Wednesday, 22nd. Subscriptions payable. Reports available.—R. Ducker, Dis. Sec. 7562

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Quarterly general meeting, Staveley (8), Saturday, October 2nd. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. Norton (8) available 7-8 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. D. Smith, 73, Railway Cottages, Staveley, Chesterfield, by September 29th.—B. P. Morris, Sec. 7603

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD. — The annual meeting will be held at St. Thomas', Dudley, on Saturday, October 2nd. Bells (10) available 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Names for tea must be forwarded to me by September 28th at the latest. Netherton (8) will be available in the evening, if required.—M. D. Fellows, Sec., 14, Western Road, Stourbridge, Worcs. 7583

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Tonbridge District.—The annual District meeting will be held at Tonbridge on October 2nd. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea and Meeting at 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to W. H. Dobbie, Hon. Sec., 13, Baltic Road, Tonbridge, by Wednesday, September 29th. 7593

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — The autumn general meeting will be held at Wokingham, Berks, on Saturday, October 2nd. Meeting in the Masonic Hall at 2.30 p.m. Tea at 4. Service in St. Paul's Church at 5 p.m. Please park in Hall car park and not on road. Tea tickets (3s. 3d. each) on application to Miss D. J. Pollard, 49, Foxborough Road, Radley, Abingdon, Berks. Ringing arrangements will be sent out with tea tickets or on receipt of s.a.e. Names for tea by Monday, September 27th.—M. R. Cross, Hon. Gen. Sec. 7546

MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD. — The first practice of term will be held on Tuesday, October 5th, at Sacred Trinity, Salford, at 7.30 p.m. Freshers are invited to write to the secretary for details.—A. S. Taylor, Westhayes, Post Hill, Tiverton, Devon. 7530

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — The Snowdon dinner is being held at the Co-operative Restaurant, Westgate, Rotherham, on October 16th at 6.30 p.m. Applications for tickets (16s. 6d. each) stating all names, please, to Mr. J. J. L. Gilbert, 10, Pye Bank Close, Sheffield 3, by October 2nd. Ringing programme in Sheffield and Rotherham. Any special ringing requests from visitors welcomed given due notice. A hearty welcome to all.—N. Chaddock, J. J. L. Gilbert. 7561

ESSEX ASSOCIATION. — Preliminary Notice. —12th annual dinner on Saturday, October 30th, in Saracen's Head Hotel, Chelmsford, at 6.45 p.m. 7581

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