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THE ROLL OF HONOUR

THIS week we publish the Roll of Honour of those ringers who went forth from the towers and belfries of the country and gave their lives in the second World War. A decision to commemorate in a tangible form this sacrifice was taken by the Central Council. The preliminary work has reached its final stage, Mr. Harry Miles, of Carbis Bay, St. Ives, Cornwall, being entrusted with the task of compiling the list.

To date the list contains 221 names. Readers will note the heavy loss of the Kent County Association with 32 names, followed by Oxford Diocesan Guild with 17, Guildford Diocesan Guild with 14, the Lancashire Association with 13 and the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association with 12.

The list is not complete. There are a number of Guilds and Associations who, for some reason or another, have not been able to complete their lists. We trust that the majority have a nil return. These include the Essex Association, the Hereford Diocesan Guild, the London Counties' Association, the St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham, the Shropshire Association, the Stafford Archdeaconry and the Surrey Association. It is not too late for them to take action and respond to the request that has been published in this journal on a number of occasions.

While the primary purpose of publication is for a permanent record, the secondary reason is for corrections and omissions from the official list. These should be forwarded to Mr. Miles without delay, and we trust that ringers will individually co-operate and inform their guild secretaries of errors.

After the 1914-18 war a Book of Remembrance was compiled and the names written on parchment. This book was deposited at St. Paul's Cathedral and special precautions were taken as to its safety during the years of the blitz. When the list is presented to the Central Council at Chester next Whitsuntide a decision will be taken as to the form of the memorial—either to incorporate the names with the Book of the First War or to prepare a separate volume. With many memorials the two lists are incorporated, and it should not be impossible to follow this precept in regard to the Ringers' Roll of Honour.

THAXTED BELLS

THE dedication of Thaxted's restored ring of bells was, as our readers will remember, the subject matter of a pleasing report in April, 1949, from the gifted pen of Ethelind Fearon. We have now received a beautifully illustrated pamphlet dealing with these bells, written by Francis W. Steer, F.R.Hist.S.

The writer has found a wealth of detail from the long series of accounts belonging to Thaxted Church which are now deposited in the Diocesan Record Office at Chelmsford and also from the archives at the Essex Record Office.

Particularly valuable from an historical point of view are the accounts for the years 1617 and 1619 when the bells were recast. The new wooden frame cost £4 2s., timber 4d. a foot and a journeyman, working nine days, 10s. 6d. It appears that the bells were recast at Cambridge, probably at the foundry of Robert Holdfield, and the Mayor went to the University town to supervise the casting.

We do not know what our churchwardens of to-day would say if such items as shoes for the bell-founder 2s. 2d., an apron for the bell-founder 8d., two shirts for the bell-founder 5s. 6d., a pound of candles 4d., were to be included in the bell-founder's bill. The total amount spent on the bells and frames during 1617-19 amounted to over £50, which Mr. Steer estimates on a conservative basis to represent £750 to-day.

Four of the bells were renewed by Thomas Gardiner, of Sudbury, in 1734, and in 1778 the great tenor, weighing 22 cwt., was so damaged by one of the ringers that its metal, with some from another bell, was recast by William Mears into a new tenor and bells 1, 2 and 3. This made a ring of eight.

Of the three be's recast by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, the most interesting is the fourth with its frieze of Folk Dancers. This theme is based on an Old Cornish poem, 'This have I done for my true love', which tells the story of our Lord's life on earth, and after each episode occur the words: 'To call my true love to the dance.' The last lines are:—

Then up to Heav'n I did ascend,
Where now I dwell in sure substance,
On the right hand of God that man may come into the General Dance.
Sing, oh my love, oh my love, my love, my love,
This have I done for my true love.

'Thaxted Bells' may be obtained from Mr. F. W. Steer, Patmers, Duton Hill, Great Dunmow, price 1s. 2d.

TWELVE BELL PEALS

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Tues., Sept. 26, 1950, *in* 3 *Hours and* 36 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Martin,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;
Tenor 37 cwt. in C.

G. William Critchley	*Treble*	Terry Hampton	7
Margaret L. Tutt	2	John Pinfold	8
Edgar C. Shepherd	3	Sidney O'C. Holloway	9
Albert Walker	4	George E. Fearn	10
Walter F. Judge	5	Frank E. Haynes	11
Frank E. Pervin	6	John N. Lindon	*Tenor*

Composed by Chas. W. Roberts. Conducted by Margaret L. Tutt.
First peal of Stedman Cinques as conductor.

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Sat., Sept. 30, 1950, *in* 3 *Hours and* 30 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;
Tenor 26 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

William C. Dowding	*Treble*	Terry R. Hampton	7
Albert Walker	2	John Worth	8
G. William Critchley	3	Ralph G. Edwards	9
John Scott	4	Henry H. Fearn	10
Sidney O'C. Holloway	5	George E. Fearn	11
Frank E. Haynes	6	Wilfred Williams	*Tenor*

Composed by John Carter. Conducted by Albert Walker.

SAFFRON WALDEN, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 7, 1950, *in* 3 *Hours and* 37 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Mary,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;
Tenor 24 cwt.

Thomas J. Lock	*Treble*	Robert C. Heazel	7
Mrs. R. F. Deal	2	Cecil J. Matthews	8
Mrs. C. J. Matthews	3	Fredk. W. Housden	9
Thomas G. Fox	4	Alfred L. Simmonds	10
Richard F. B. Speed	5	John H. Crampion	11
Harold N. Pitstow	6	Harold W. Clark	*Tenor*

Composed by John Carter. Conducted by Harold N. Pitstow.
A compliment to the conductor on his 29th wedding anniversary and to Mrs. F. W. Housden on a quick recovery from her accident.

TEN BELL PEALS

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 30, 1950, *in* 3 *Hours and* 19 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANGES;
Tenor 25½ cwt.

*Victor W. Grimwade	*Treble*	Jack Dearlove	6
Frank H. Hicks	2	Frank B. Lufkin	7
Arthur W. Gravett	3	*Raymond P. Wood	8
*Edgar R. Rapley	4	Leonard Stilwell	9
Kenneth Snelling	5	Herbert W. Woolven	*Tenor*

Composed by Richard F. Deal. Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.
* First peal of Grandsire Caters.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.
LONDON COUNTY ASSN. & N. SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Sept. 30, 1950, *in* 3 *Hours and* 2 *Minutes,*
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 16½ cwt. in E.

Mrs. Kathleen Parr	*Treble*	Thomas E. Davies	6
*R. Joyce Pett	2	Squire Croft	7
Mrs. O. L. Rogers	3	*A. Leslie Pearson	8
Sheila E. Harris	4	David J. Charnley	9
Nevil G. Hollingworth	5	Harold W. Rogers	*Tenor*

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by Harold W. Rogers.
* First peal of Royal. First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Royal by all. First peal in the method for the Association. All the ringers are members of the local company. A wedding anniversary compliment to ringers of 3, 10 and 7, and a birthday compliment to C. H. Rogers.

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Thurs., Oct. 5, 1950, *in* 3 *Hours and* 31 *Minutes,*
At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip,
A PEAL OF PAINSWICK SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

John Scott	*Treble*	Frank E. Pervin	6
G. William Critchley	2	Arthur V. Pearson	7
Edgar C. Shepherd	3	Frank E. Haynes	8
John Pinfold	4	Henry H. Fearn	9
Terry R. Hampton	5	George E. Fearn	*Tenor*

Composed by William Barton. Conducted by George E. Fearn.
First peal of Royal in the method for the Guild and by all the band. To celebrate the ordination in this church on Sunday, October 1st, by the Bishop of Birmingham, of the Revs. J. W. Duffy, H. P. Burgess and P. G. Harrison.

WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Sat., Oct. 7, 1950, *in* 3 *Hours and* 13 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Bartholomew,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;
Tenor 24 cwt.

Howard Howell	*Treble*	Francis Brotherton	6
Evelyn Fletcher	2	Derick J. Tranter	7
Ernest Stitch	3	Edward V. Rodenhurst	8
Alan Elsmore	4	Maurice G. Turner	9
J. Norman Hadley	5	Richard J. Warrilow	*Tenor*

Composed and Conducted by Howard Howell.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

GILMORTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., Sept. 29, 1950, *in* 2 *Hours and* 43 *Minutes,*
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 10½ cwt.

Sidney O. Cheney	*Treble*	Harold J. Poole	5
Shirley Burton	2	Peter J. Staniforth	6
*Lawrence Greenhow	3	John R. Smith	7
*Michael D. Staniforth	4	Herrick B. Bowley	*Tenor*

Composed by H. Dains. Conducted by Peter J. Staniforth.
* First peal in the method.

OXFORD.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., Sept. 29, 1950, *in* 2 *Hours and* 46 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Ebbe,
A PEAL OF SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;
Comprising 2,240 London, 1,728 Bristol and 576 each of Cambridge and Superlative, with 116 changes of method. Tenor 4¾ cwt.

Philip Walker	*Treble*	Michael P. Moreton	5
Victor J. F. Bennett	2	Wilfrid F. Moreton	6
William C. Porter	3	Fredk. A. H. Wilkins	7
Margaret L. Tutt	4	Walter F. Judge	*Tenor*

Composed by A. J. Pitman. Conducted by Walter F. Judge.

CRAYFORD, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 30, 1950, *in* 2 *Hours and* 52 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Paulinus,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in F.

Philip A. Corby	*Treble*	Arthur S. Richards	5
Alfred G. Williams	2	Brian D. Threlfall	6
*Barbara A. Mitchell	3	Frank I. Hairs	7
*John E. Cannell	4	Frederick J. Cullum	*Tenor*

Composed by A. J. Pitman. Conducted by Philip A. Corby.
* First peal.

ENFIELD, MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Sept. 30, 1950, *in* 2 *Hours and* 50 *Minutes,*
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,
A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 19½ cwt.

Francis Kirk	*Treble*	Christopher W. Woolley	5
Frederick W. Brinklow	2	*Richard F. B. Speed	6
Alick Cutler	3	Alfred J. House	7
Leonard H. Bowler	4	Harold G. Cashmore	*Tenor*

Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by Harold G. Cashmore.
* 150th peal. First Surprise peal on the bells.

SILVERDALE, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 30, 1950, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,
A PEAL OF KENT & OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Ilkeston Variation. Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb. in A flat.

ERIC NIXON	*Treble*	*RONALD RARLOW	5
ARTHUR PEAKE	2	FREDK. E. WILSHAW	6
FREDK. WM. GROCOTT	3	NEVILLE R. HOLLAND	7
EWART H. EDGE	4	CHARLES H. PAGE	*Tenor*

Composed by ERNEST MORRIS. Conducted by FREDK. WM. GROCOTT.
* 25th peal. First peal of Ilkeston by all the band, on the bells and for the Association.

HANBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Oct. 1, 1950, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb. in G.

JEAN A. SOUTHERST	*Treble*	GEORGE E. LARGE	5
WM. H. A. COMPTON	2	*GEORGE PRESCOTT	6
CLAUDIA A. HARDING	3	REGINALD WOODYATT	7
ALLEN MORGAN	4	THOMAS W. LEWIS	*Tenor*

Composed by H. W. WILDE. Conducted by GEORGE E. LARGE.
* First peal of Double Norwich.

HALLOW, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Oct. 2, 1950, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILIP AND JAMES,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
Tenor 21 cwt. 3 qr. 17 lb. in E.

ALLEN MORGAN	*Treble*	GEORGE PRESCOTT	5
*GEORGE E. LARGE	2	REGINALD WOODYATT	6
R. GEORGE MORRIS	3	CYRIL TANSELL	7
ALBERT E. HUMPHRIES	4	THOMAS W. LEWIS	*Tenor*

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by GEORGE E. LARGE.
* 250th peal for the Association.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Oct. 2, 1950, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,
AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Annable's. Tenor 6½ cwt.

*ARTHUR FIDLER	*Treble*	JOHN H. GRUNDY	5
JOHN P. FIDLER	2	HAROLD MARCON	6
PAUL LEA TAYLOR	3	COLIN HARRISON	7
*EDWIN WEAVER	4	LESLIE W. STEVENS	*Tenor*

Conducted by LESLIE W. STEVENS.
* First peal of Bob Major. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung to mark the marriage of Miss Samson, of St. Peter's Vicarage, Loughborough; the wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Stevens; the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Weaver and the birth of a grandson to Mr. and Mrs. Harrison.

PINCHBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Oct. 2, 1950, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;
Tenor 18 cwt. 9 lb.

WILLIAM A. RICHARDSON	*Treble*	AUBREY D. MILLS	5
*MAURICE BENNETT	2	CYRIL R. BURRELL	6
STANLEY E. BENNETT	3	JOHN G. AMES	7
WILLIAM A. HOLMES	4	C. HAROLD WHITTON	*Tenor*

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by JOHN G. AMES.
* First peal in the method. The conductor's 200th peal.

HORWICH, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Oct. 4, 1950, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 12½ cwt.

LAURENCE WALMSLEY	*Treble*	ALBERT GREENHALGH	5
ARTHUR TOMLINSON	2	*JOSEPH THORNLEY	6
*IAN JONES	3	JOHN ASHCROFT	7
MURIEL REAY	4	ROGER LEIGH	*Tenor*

Composed by GEO. WILLIAMS. Conducted by ARTHUR TOMLINSON.
* First peal in the method. Rung on the birthday of the ringer of the fourth.

DODDERHILL, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Oct. 5, 1950, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 18½ cwt. in E.

ALLEN MORGAN	*Treble*	GEORGE PRESCOTT	5
GEORGE E. LARGE	2	REGINALD WOODYATT	6
CLAUDIA A. HARDING	3	CYRIL TANSELL	7
WM. H. A. COMPTON	4	THOMAS W. LEWIS	*Tenor*

Composed by JAMES HUNT. Conducted by GEORGE E. LARGE.

SOUTHPORT, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Oct. 5, 1950, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;
Tenor 10 cwt. 8 lb. in G.

THOMAS S. HORRIDGE	*Treble*	THOMAS W. HESKETH	5
MARGARET E. RIDYARD	2	RONALD KENRICK	6
*JOHN ROBERTS	3	ARTHUR MAWDSLEY	7
†GORDON CRANE	4	JOSEPH RIDYARD	*Tenor*

Composed by THOMAS B. WORSLEY. Conducted by JOSEPH RIDYARD.
* First peal. † First peal in a Surprise method. Rung as a farewell to Gordon Craine, who is shortly joining the R.A.F.

ERITH, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Oct. 6, 1950, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor 15 cwt.

RALPH BIRD	*Treble*	ARTHUR S. RICHARDS	5
HERBERT E. AUDSLEY	2	FREDERICK J. CULLUM	6
MRS. F. I. HAIRS	3	HARRY PARKES	7
FRANK I. HAIRS	4	PHILIP A. CORBY	*Tenor*

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by PHILIP A. CORBY.

HOLYWOOD, NORTHERN IRELAND.
THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.
(Northern District.)
On Sat., Oct. 7, 1950, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILIP AND JAMES,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 12 cwt. 16 lb.

*JOHN SAVAGE	*Treble*	*NAT SAVAGE	5
†TOM SMELTZER (16)	2	*JAMES EDGAR	6
*WILLIAM PRATT	3	*JAMES LEWIS (16)	7
JOHN T. DUNWOODY	4	HARRY BROWN	*Tenor*

Composed by T. LOCKWOOD. Conducted by HARRY BROWN.
* First peal of Oxford Treble Bob. † First peal at first attempt. First peal in the method as conductor. First peal in the method on the bells and in Ireland. Rung as a farewell to the Rev. W. B. B. Magill, M.A., curate of the parish, who has left to become vice-Principal of the College of Theology, Birmingham, and as a welcome to his successor, the Rev. N. R. Hamilton, M.A. Also a birthday compliment to the conductor.

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EALING, MIDDLESEX.
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
On Sat., Oct. 7, 1950, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thurstans' Four-part. Tenor 14 cwt.

WILFRID G. WILSON	*Treble*	*WILLIAM T. COOK	5
HERBERT LANGDON	2	ALBERT B. PECK	6
J. E. LEWIS COCKEY	3	JOHN PHILLIPS	7
MICHAEL V. CHILCOTT	4	RICHARD F. DEAL	*Tenor*

Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.
* First peal in the method. Quickest peal on the bells. Rung as a welcome home from Africa to the Vicar and Rural Dean, the Rev. H. Claude Harland, M.A.

KIBWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 7, 1950, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 14½ cwt.

ROLAND SMITH	*Treble*	*ALAN SALTER	5
ALBERT MARTIN	2	ERNEST MORRIS	6
*DENIS ALLSOP	3	ARTHUR J. MILLWARD	7
†CYRIL WINDRAM	4	FRED STANIFORTH	*Tenor*

Composed and Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.
Umpire: W. WALLINGTON, of Market Harborough.
* First peal of Major 'inside.' † First peal of Major. A 40th wedding anniversary peal for Mr. and Mrs. Fred Staniforth.

MANCHESTER, LANCASHIRE.
THE NATIONAL POLICE GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 7, 1950, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,
AT THE TOWN HALL,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thurston's Five-part. Rung on the front eight. Tenor 20 cwt.

*P.C. STANLEY LIVESEY	*Treble*	*P.C. RONALD SMITH	5
Ex-P.C. WILLIAM PYE	2	Ex-P.S. PETER CROOK	6
P.C. WILLIAM ROBINSON	3	*P.C. JOHN CRAWSHAW	7
Ex-P.C. BURLEY WALSHAW	4	P.C. RICHARD BENSON	*Tenor*

Conducted by Ex. P.S. PETER CROOK.
* First peal of Triples. All are members of the Lancashire Association.

FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

ALDFORD, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Sept. 30, 1950, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two extents each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb.

JOHN W. GRIFFITHS	*Treble*	†DENNIS H. B. MILLWARD	4
*FREDK. H. BIRKS	2	†R. GORDON CORBY	5
BRIAN HARRIS	3	PERCY SWINDLEY	*Tenor*

Conducted by JOHN W. GRIFFITHS.
* First peal of Minor. † First peal in three methods. A welcome-home from hospital to Mrs. Gambles, wife of a local ringer.

CODFORD ST. PETER, WILTSHIRE.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Sept. 30, 1950, in 3 Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 1 lb. in F sharp.

E. F. WHITE	*Treble*	*T. MALLARD	4
E. C. MARLOW	2	W. A. AVERY	5
*R. TUDGAY	3	H. TROLLOPE	*Tenor*

Conducted by W. A. AVERY.
* First peal. Rung to celebrate the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Marlow, who were married at this church on September 22nd, 1900.

GOOSTREY, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Sept. 30, 1950, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,
A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven different extents. Tenor 6 cwt.

*BRIAN ONGLEY	*Treble*	BERNARD J. ONGLEY	4
FREDERICK S. SUTTON	2	JOHN E. BROUGH	5
HERBERT SUTTON	3	EDWARD J. BOFFEY	*Tenor*

Conducted by JOHN E. BROUGH.
* First peal. First peal in method by all the band.

HESSLE, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 30, 1950, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven different extents. Tenor 16 cwt.

FRANK C. LISTER	*Treble*	LEONARD RODMELL	4
FRANCIS W. DALE	2	JOHN G. HOBSON	5
GEORGE F. WILLIAMS	3	PHILIP H. SPECK	*Tenor*

Conducted by PHILIP H. SPECK.
First peal as conductor.

LYNEHAM, WILTSHIRE.
THE LADIES' GUILD.
(Wiltshire Branch.)
On Sat., Sept. 30, 1950, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor 14 cwt.

H. JEAN HOLLAWAY	*Treble*	BURNICE M. STRANGE	4
MARION J. SKINNER	2	B. ENID LLOYD-ROBERTS	5
BERYL J. STRANGE	3	MARGARET E. RICHARDS	*Tenor*

Conducted by MARGARET E. RICHARDS.
First peal of Kent Treble Bob Minor by all the band and for the Wiltshire Branch of the Ladies' Guild. Farewell peal to the ringer of the 5th on leaving Swindon for Bristol University.

MEYSEY HAMPTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 30, 1950, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 240 April Day and 960 each of Old, Plain Bob, St. Dunstan's, Canterbury and Grandsire. Tenor 9½ cwt. in G.

GEORGE MILSOMS	*Treble*	JOYCE MORSE	4
DAPHNE H. BOULTON	2	WILLIAM A. GODWIN	5
EILEEN M. MORSE	3	GILBERT BURGE (13)	*Tenor*

Conducted by WILLIAM A. GODWIN.
First peal by all except the conductor. First peal as conductor. A birthday compliment to the ringer of the 2nd.

WEST DEEPING, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Sept. 30, 1950, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720's in the following methods: Cambridge, Beverley and Bourne Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Bob, Plain Bob, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, Double Court and Single Court. Tenor 10 cwt.

FRED BRIGHTMAN	*Treble*	HORACE M. DAY	4
CHARLES WOOD	2	CECIL WADE	5
*WALTER GODDARD	3	WILLIAM OLDMAN	*Tenor*

Conducted by HORACE M. DAY.
* First peal in eleven methods.

RANWORTH, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Oct. 1, 1950, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

ERNEST G. BENTON	*Treble*	HORACE LUBBOCK	4
FREDERICK G. BOYCE	2	HERBERT C. READ	5
*DENIS CHAPMAN	3	GEORGE BAILEY	*Tenor*

Conducted by GEORGE BAILEY.
* First peal in three methods inside.'

TERRINGTON ST. JOHN, NORFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Oct. 1, 1950, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being one 720 each of Double Court, Double Oxford and Single Oxford and two 720's each of St. Clement's and Plain Bob.
Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb. in F sharp.

*AGNES E. PRICE	*Treble*	CLAUDE COUSINS	4
EDWARD BARKER	2	TONY PRICE	5
WALLACE COUSINS	3	RICHARD E. PRICE	*Tenor*

Conducted by RICHARD E. PRICE.
* First peal.

SPELSBURY, OXFORDSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Oct. 3, 1950, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven different extents. Tenor 9 cwt. (approx.).

LOTTIE R. PIMM ...	...*Treble*	HARRY P. FLOYD	4
*JACK KEYTE	2	*IVOR D. HARRIS	5
DOUGLAS O. WILKS ...	3	ALAN R. PINK ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.
* First peal of Minor. First peal on the bells. Rung as a farewell to the Rev. A. H. Paget Wilkes, who is emigrating to Australia.

SPRATTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Oct. 3, 1950, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Comprising two six-scores of Southrepps and ten six-scores each of Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob, April Day and Grandsire.
Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

L. GEORGE WYKES	...*Treble*	RONALD RUSSELL	3
*IVOR DICKIN (14)	2	ERNEST MORRIS	4
PERCY AMOS	...*Tenor*		

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.
* First peal. The conductor's 1,234th. These peals have been rung in 236 different steeples. Rung to mark the 400th anniversary of the birth of Robert Browne, one-time Rector of Thorpe Achurch, Northants.

ELMORE, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Wed., Oct. 4, 1950, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 10 six-scores of Grandsire, 24 of St. Dunstan's, and eight 240's of Morris' arrangement. Tenor 11 cwt.

RONALD WRIGHT ...	...*Treble*	FRANK LITTLETON	4
JOAN BUSSEY	2	LESLIE BARRY	5
*HAROLD MEEK	3	CHARLES LARNER ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by LESLIE BARRY.
* First peal.

WINTHORPE, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Oct. 5, 1950, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 42 extents, ten different callings. Tenor 7 cwt. (approx.).

*MAURICE LEACH ...	...*Treble*	†ARTHUR E. CHILTON ...	4
FREDK. G. HOOPER ...	2	HENRY J. CLOXTON ...	5
CLARENCE F. BRIGGS ...	3	*RALPH WING	...*Tenor*

Conducted by FREDERICK G. HOOPER.
* First peal. † First peal in the method. First peal of Grandsire on the bells. Rung as a compliment to the ringer of the 3rd on the anniversary of his wedding.

GRIMLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Oct. 6, 1950, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being one extent each of London Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford Bob, St. Clement's Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. 14 lb.

CLAUDIA A. HARDING	...*Treble*	GEORGE PRESCOTT	4
REGINALD WOODYATT ...	2	CYRIL TANSELL	5
GEORGE E. LARGE	3	THOMAS W. LEWIS...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by GEORGE E. LARGE.

KELSTON, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 7, 1950, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven extents, each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

MRS. DORA EVANS	...*Treble*	LEONARD COLES	4
WILLIAM G. BROWN ...	2	GEORGE J. HAWKINS ...	5
*THOMAS F. KING	3	MAURICE HELPS ...	...*Tenor*

Conducted by GEORGE J. HAWKINS.
* First peal of Kent Treble Bob Minor. A birthday compliment to Miss Gisela Helps.

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MERROW, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 7, 1950, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being an extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.
Tenor 13½ cwt. in F.

JOHN A. ETHERINGTON	*Treble*	GEOFFREY DODDS	4
*PAMELA A. WARREN	2	HAROLD A. MAY	5
RICHARD E. PRICE	3	TONY PRICE	*Tenor*

Conducted by TONY PRICE.
* First peal in seven methods. Rung for the induction of the Rev. A. E. Ford as Rector of Merrow.

NEWLAND, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 7, 1950, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being twenty-six 120's and eight 240's, Morris' arrangement.
Tenor 17¾ cwt.

DORIS M. SHEPPARD	*Treble*	*DONALD CLARKE	4
JACQUELINE S. EVANS	2	LESLIE BARRY	5
JOAN BUSSEY	3	CHARLES LARNER	*Tenor*

Conducted by LESLIE BARRY.
* First peal of Doubles. First peal on the bells for 20 years.

HANDBELL PEALS

BOURNEMOUTH.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., Sept. 25, 1950, in 2 Hours and 10 Minutes,
AT 26, WELLINGTON ROAD,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;
C.C.C. No. 10. Tenor size 17 in A.

ALBERT H. WARD	1-2	MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY	5-6
DANIEL T. MATKIN	3-4	ROY C. HURST	7-8

Composed by HY. HUBBARD. Conducted by DANIEL T. MATKIN.

STOKE-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Sept. 30, 1950, in 1 Hour and 41 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven extents. Tenor size 12 in F.

ERIC NIXON	1-2	FREDK. WM. GROCOTT	3-4
FREDK. E. WILSHAW	5-6		

Conducted by FREDERICK WILLIAM GROCOTT.

LEICESTER.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Tues., Oct. 3, 1950, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
AT THE WAYSIDE, 150, NARBOROUGH ROAD SOUTH,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
Tenor size 18 in G.

JILL POOLE	1-2	ALFRED BALLARD	5-6
PETER J. STANIFORTH	3-4	HAROLD J. POOLE	7-8
*TERENCE A. THORNBER	9-19		

Composed by W. PYE. Conducted by PETER J. STANIFORTH.
* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal on handbells. First peal in the method on handbells as conductor. A birthday compliment to Mrs. J. F. Milner, of Kirklington.

DONCASTER, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Oct. 5, 1950, in 2 Hours and 4 Minutes,
AT 38, CASTLE HILLS ROAD, SCAWTHORPE,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
Tenor size 15 in C.

DAVID G. JACKSON	1-2	WILLIAM H. JACKSON	5-6
GIBSON JACKSON	3-4	W. ERIC CRITCHLEY	7-8

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by W. E. CRITCHLEY.

STOKE-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Oct. 5, 1950, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes,
IN ST. PETER'S BELFRY,
A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;
C.C.C. No. 99. Tenor size 12 in F.

RONALD BARLOW	1-2	FREDK. E. WILSHAW	5-6
FREDK. WM. GROCOTT	3-4	*CHARLES H. PAGE	7-8

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE. Conducted by F. W. GROCOTT.
* First peal of Major 'in hand.'

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ABERGELE, DENBIGH.—On Sept. 26th, a date touch of 1,950 Grandsire Doubles: Miss Janet Marsden 1, Miss Marie L. Marsden 2, Miss Joan G. Griffiths 3, L. S. Griffiths (cond.) 4, J. P. Griffiths 5, L. J. Evans 6. First date touch on the bells. A birthday compliment for the younger daughter and grandson of the conductor

ADWICK-LE-STREET, YORKS. — On Oct. 3rd, 1,272 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Miss F. Handley 1, Mrs. M. Scott 2, P. G. Tregelles 3, F. Newsome 4, H. Hudson 5, H. Scott (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of the men who died in the Cresswell Colliery disaster.

ALVERSTOKE, HANTS. — On Sept. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: B. Oakshott 1, E. A. Jurd 2, H. J. Reynolds 3, E. Brown 4, C. W. Philpotts 5, F. G. Barron 6, H. A. Nobes (cond.) 7, F. Edwards 8.

ARELEY KINGS, WORCS.—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Hicks 1, E. Lucas 2, C. Lucas 3, G. Bowen 4, A. W. Glazzard (cond.) 5, G. Lewis 6. A birthday compliment to Gerald Bowen.

BARWELL, LEICS.—On Sept. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Hough 1, T. K. Deacon 2, Miss B. Colver 3, J. Hill 4, E. Sowman 5, C. R. Belton 6, A. H. Hough (cond.) 7, G. Armstrong 8. First quarter 1, 3 and 4. Rung for the wedding of Mr. Roy Gleman, a ringer and towerkeeper at Barwell, who is leaving Barwell to take up residence at Weston-super-Mare.

BATTERSEA, LONDON.—On Oct. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Barber 1, F. W. Bush 2, Shiela Woodhouse 3, P. Dodds 4, L. Brown 5, E. E. Dodds 6, S. J. Hart (cond.) 7, R. Kemp 8.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.—On Sept. 17th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Miss J. Gibbons 1, A. Clayton 2, M. V. Chilcott 3, R. Tomlin 4, J. F. Galyer 5, A. J. W. Hughes 6, P. A. F. Chalk 7, D. E. Parsons (cond.) 8, L. A. Reece 9, F. D. Jennings 10. A wedding compliment to Miss M. R. Clark and W. Wilson.

BENFIELDSIDE, CO. DURHAM.—On Oct. 1st, at St. Cuthbert's, 1,260 Oxford Bob: H. Swinscoe (first quarter) 1, M. Pinkney 2, C. Lamb 3, R. Oliver 4, J. Lishman 5 T. Dodd (cond.) 6. Rung for harvest festival.

BERKHAMSTED, HERTS.—On Sept. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. W. Kingsbury 1, H. W. Porrett 2, F. W. Leach 3, Miss P. A. Martin (first as cond.) 4, Miss O. M. Martin 5, B. O. Johnson 6, S. T. Chappel 7, C. Dickens 8.

BOSHAM, SUSSEX. — On Oct. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: F. W. Lewis 1, E. W. Keys 2, N. J. Smith 3, P. R. Blackman 4, H. W. Stoveld (first as cond.) 5, H. F. Dunford 6.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX. — At St. Peter's Church on Oct. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Miss B. Stephenson 1, A. W. Bond 2, R. Beale (first 'inside' on 10) 3, J. V. Lonsbrough (first quarter as cond.) 4, A. W. Gravett 5, S. E. Armstrong 6, H. W. Woolven 7, W. C. Hart 8, M. Thomas 9, F. Page 10. A wedding compliment to the conductor.

BROMLEY, KENT. — On Sept. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. E. Lyddiard 1, C. Cullen 2, Miss H. Oakshett 3, G. F. James 4, P. J. Spice 5, T. Brett-Smith 6, E. C. Bishop (cond.) 7, M. F. Oakshett 8.

CHIPPENHAM, WILTS. — On Sept. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Bridgeman 1, M. Hobbs 2, R. Perry 3, G. Eyles 4, H. Marsh 5, H. Heath 6, R. Davison (cond.) 7, F. Parker 8. First in the method by 1, 2, 3 and 4.

CLERKENWELL, LONDON. — On Sept. 24th, 1,264 Bob Major: H. J. Ranzetta 1, W. D. Prockson 2, A. W. Coles 3, F. A. Barker 4, Dr. W. R. Winterton 5, H. J. Hughes 6, E. G. Talbot 7, J. Euston 8. In memoriam W. H. Seabrook.

CROYDON, SURREY.—On Oct. 1st, at St. Peter's Church, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss J. Mathinson 1, Miss V. Potter 2, J. Rea 3, P. Davis 4, D. Martin 5, J. Hayward 6, T. A. Blow (first of Stedman as cond.) 7, W. Brownett 8. First of Stedman Triples 3 and 6.

QUARTER PEALS

DERBY.—At the Cathedral on Oct. 1st, 1,241 Grandsire Caters: A. Taylor 1, Miss K. Tivey 2, A. Thompson 3, H. Taylor 4, C. Walklate 5, Geo. Freebrey (cond.) 6, F. Lowe 7, S. Walklate 8, M. Barker 9, G. Margetts 10. First of Grandsire Caters for 1, 2 and 10.

EALING, MIDDLESEX. — At St. Mary's Church on Sept. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. E. Churchill 1, A. H. Fulwell (cond.) 2, W. T. Cook 3, H. J. Eldred 4, W. J. Ellis 5, A. Mark Stacey 6, A. Harding 7, R. D. Candy 8.

EAST RETFORD, NOTTS. — On Oct. 1st, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: J. Hurst 1, J. Segar 2, C. Cook 3, J. Bartram 4, E. Preston 5, H. Denman 6, K. Beardsall (cond.) 7, H. Willows 8. First in method for 1 and 5.

EBBW VALE, MON.—On Sept. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Audrey Stephens 1, Alan Evans 2, R. Alsop 3, Brian Werry 4, T. Stephens 5, J. Alsop (cond.) 6, R. Stephens 7, J. Jeynes 8. Rung half-muffled as a token of respect to W. A. Boore, late churchwarden.

FARINGDON, BERKS.—On Oct. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. Walker 1, F. Wheeler 2, E. Cadle 3, C. I. J. Pearce 4, E. Hughes 5, F. Whipp 6, M. J. Pryor (first as cond.) 7, D. Vincent (first quarter) 8. Before evening service, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Strawford (first of Triples) 1, F. Wheeler 2, H. E. Taylor (cond.) 3, C. I. J. Peace 4, E. Cadle 5, E. Hughes 6, M. J. Pryor 7, J. Hutt (first quarter) 8.

GODSHILL, I.O.W. — On Oct. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. Westmore (first quarter) 1, S. Hollis 2, E. Thorne 3, L. Bailey (cond.) 4, C. Callaway 5, C. Morris 6.

GODSTONE, SURREY. — On Sept. 28th, 1,264 Bob Major: Miss M. Munt 1, A. P. Cannon (cond.) 2, Miss V. Look 3, T. H. Bird (first quarter) 4, J. W. Crouch 5, C. Munt 6, F. T. Hoad 7, G. Olliver 8. First of Major 1 and 6.

GOSPEL OAK, LONDON.—On Sept. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire and Stedman Doubles: J. T. O'Dell 1, J. M. Payton 2, G. F. Carter 3, A. W. J. Butler (cond.) 4, T. Bevan 5, J. Dennis 6.

HARROW WEALD, MIDDLESEX. — On Sept. 24th, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: S. A. Warwick (first in method) 1, Miss F. Clayton 2, Miss E. Fulton 3, Mrs. C. C. Mayne 4, H. G. Hart 5, H. D. Butler 6, J. R. Mayne (cond.) 7, C. C. Mayne 8.

HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS. — On Sept. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. L. Perkins 1, H. W. Pratt 2, A. Clements 3, F. Warrington (cond.) 4, F. L. Nicholls 5, G. H. Dunnington 6.

HENSINGHAM, CUMBERLAND.—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Doubles (240 each of Reverse Canterbury, St. Simon's, April Day, Plain Bob and 300 Grandsire): Miss S. Mitchell (first quarter of Doubles) 1, J. N. Haile 2, R. A. Johnston 3, J. A. Haile 4, S. Richardson (cond.) 5. First in five methods for all.

HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.—On Sept. 24th, 1,299 Stedman Caters: F. Haves (cond.) 1, Sylvia Coker 2, Doreen Coker 3, R. Coles 4, E. Markham 5, W. H. Plumridge 6, A. Clutton 7, G. R. Goodship 8, C. A. Smith 9, A. L. James 10.

HOOLE, CHESHIRE.—On Sept. 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss S. Golding 1, Miss D. Lloyd 2, J. W. Griffiths 3, P. Swindley 4, B. Harris (cond.) 5, J. Boutland 6. First quarter 1 and 6.

HUNTINGDON.—At St. Mary's on Oct. 1st, 1,332 Plain Bob Minor: M. J. Dyer (13) (first quarter) 1, R. Peacock 2, J. R. G. Spicer 3, R. F. Baker 4, H. S. Peacock 5, S. Gilbert (cond.) 6.

INGHAM, SUFFOLK.—On Sept. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. Footer (cond.) 1, A. G. Ballam 2, R. J. Stannard 3, A. E. Murrell 4, A. F. Ballam 5. To commemorate the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Footer, of Ingham.

LLANTRISANT, GLAM.—On Sept. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Collins 1, W. Huish 2, T. Yeoman 3, F. Rowsell (cond.) 4, R. Westcott 5, G. Westcott 6, J. Bennett 7, J. Evans 8.

OLD BASFORD, NOTTS. — On Sept. 30th, 1,288 Kent Treble Bob Major: R. W. Carsile 1, Mrs. D. R. Carsile 2, S. Pinder (cond.) 3, Miss M. Pinder 4, R. Widnall 5, H. Seagrave 6, H. Bates 7, D. R. Carsile 8. Rung half muffled in respect for those who lost their lives in the Cresswell Colliery disaster.

PIDDLEHINTON, DORSET.—On Sept. 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Ruth Jeanes 1, A. Tyers (first in method) 2, Dorothy Walden 3, I. Read 4, E. T. P. Field (cond.) 5, T. Jeanes (first quarter) 6.

PURTON, WILTS.—On Sept. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Berry (first quarter) 1, F. H. Strange 2, C. R. Shailes 3, F. Sorsby 4, R. Shailes (cond.) 5, A. Mabbut 6.

RAVENINGHAM, NORFOLK.—On Oct. 1st, 1,440 Doubles (240 each of Grandsire, Canterbury Pleasure Reverse, Winchendon Place, Plain Bob St. Nicholas' and St. Simon's): J. Forder 1, H. Barber 2, G. Walpole 3, D. Fenn 4, E. Long (cond.) 5.

SCUNTHORPE, LINCS. — On Sept. 28th, 1,260 Bob Minor: Mrs. J. Finn 1, C. A. Harrison (first in method) 2, A. Lambkin 3, F. Lacey 4, H. Morwood 5, F. Lord (cond.) 6.

SKELTON-IN-CLEVELAND, YORKS. — On Oct. 1st, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Miss L. Ridsdale 1, Miss D. Appleton 2, Miss A. Robinson 3, G. Crame 4, T. S. Jefferson 5, L. Bonnard 6, C. Robinson 7, A. Robinson (cond.) 8. First in the method by 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 8. A 21st birthday compliment to the ringer of the 3rd.

SOUTHGATE, MIDDLESEX.—On Oct. 1st, 1,263 Stedman Caters: J. G. Nash 1, Miss M. Prockson 2, W. J. Bowden 3, Mrs. N. O. Manchip 4, H. J. Eldred 5, F. Blondell 6, J. Bennett 7, A. W. Coles 8, S. Wade (cond.) 9, M. Fensom 10. In memoriam C. H. Martin and W. Pickworth, foundation members of the Middlesex County Association.—On September 24th, at Christ Church, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss M. Lidgey 1, Miss M. Prockson 2, Mrs. N. A. Tomlinson 3, J. G. Nash 4, N. A. Tomlinson 5, H. Miller 6, S. Wade (cond.) 7, M. Fensom 8.

ST. KEA, CORNWALL.—On Sept. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Jean Harding 1, A. Locke 2, P. Harding 3, A. J. Phillips 4, C. W. Jose (first as cond.) 5, F. James 6. First quarter for 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6.

STOKE-UNDER-HAM, SOMERSET. — On Sept. 30th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: J. W. Drew (cond.) 1, Mrs. E. S. Powell 2, H. J. Gaylard 3, Miss M. Clarke 4, F. Welch 5, J. T. Locke 6.

TURRAMURRA, SYDNEY.—On Sept. 24th, 1,260 Doubles, being 12 scores of Plain Bob, April Day, Old Doubles and Canterbury and 15 scores of Grandsire: R. Ferris 1, J. Rainsford 2, J. Clark 3, K. Stacey (first in five methods as cond.) 4, W. Smith 5, R. Smith (first quarter) 6.

WATFORD, HERTS.—On Oct. 1st, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: R. Smith (first quarter peal) 1, R. G. Bell 2, W. G. Paul 3, H. G. Timms 4, F. H. Crook 5, R. B. King (first of Caters) 6, P. H. Watts 7, S. H. Hoare (cond.) 8, G. W. Seaman 9, C. N. Leman 10.

WESTBOURNE, SUSSEX.—On Sept. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Graham Challen (first quarter) 1, P. R. Blackman (cond.) 2, Miss E. W. Keys (first on 8 'inside') 3, Mrs. G. W. Tamplin 4, W. G. Challen 5, J. W. Meade 6, F. G. Cooper 7, R. G. Blackman 8.

WOLVERHAMPTON, STAFFS.—On Sept. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. H. Agg 1, T. G. Martin 2, A. D. Collins (cond.) 3, T. Reynolds 4, E. E. Speake 5, A. Dorricott 6. First quarter for 1 and 6.

WOOLWICH, LONDON.—On Sept. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Grove, jun. 1, Mrs. M. Morsley 2, A. Grove, sen. 3, R. Johnson 4, B. Aldridge (cond.) 5, C. Dann 6. A welcome to the ringer of the 2nd on joining the band.

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BELFRY GOSSIP

In October, 1910, at St. Wilfrid's Church, Kibworth, Leics., Mr. and Mrs. Fred Staniforth were married. Fred's school pal, Ernest Morris, stood by as 'best man'! The bells on that occasion (then six) were rung, and Ernest—after leaving the bridesmaids to fend for themselves—went and conducted the ringing. To celebrate the 40th anniversary once again Kibworth bells were rung. The 'bridegroom' rang the tenor and the 'best man' called from the 6th, when a very good peal of Bob Major resulted. The whole company were afterwards entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Staniforth, and we now look forward to the 50th jubilee.

The peal rung at Chiddingfold on Sept. 18th was Lincoln Surprise Major and not Lincolnshire as published.

With the peal at Kelston, Somerset, Mr. T. F. King has now rung peals of Kent Treble Bob from Minor to Maximus.

The peal of Doubles at St. Breoke was in honour of the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Northey. Mr. Northey has been a lone supporter of method ringing in that part of Cornwall for many years, and has cycled long distances to get what ringing he could. Of late years he has been rewarded with a few peals. Mrs. Northey provided an enjoyable tea after the peal, and the band was able to express good wishes for many more years of happiness.

Mr. J. B. Fenton, who was Ringing Master of St. Andrew's, Rugby, for 21 years, has celebrated his diamond wedding. His colleagues in the belfry rang a quarter peal of Doubles (420 Grandsire, 360 Stedman, 120 St. Simon's and 240 Plain Bob) in honour of the event. They were Mrs. W. Vann 1, C. Underwood 2, W. Betley 3, E. Hunt 4, W. Vann (cond.) 5.

What is believed to be the first quarter peal on tower bells rung completely double-handed was rung at St. Peter's, Hersham, Surrey, on October 9th, when 1,440 Bob Minor was accomplished on the back six (tenor 8½ cwt.): W. Simmonds 1-2, C. W. Denyer 3-4, Tony Price (cond.) 5-6. Witnesses: W. Denyer and A. E. Price. This tower is one of the very few where all four pairs of bells can be rung double-handed, and it is hoped that further progress will be made in the not too distant future.

The Rev. M. C. C. Melville is coming home on leave from Brazil at the New Year and hopes to pass through Canada en route.

There is a change of venue for the St. Albans district meeting to-morrow. It is at Kimpton and not Wheathampstead as previously announced.

Oxford University Society have elected Mr. R. B. Measures as their representative on the Central Council, following the resignation of Miss Betty Spice. The meeting was held on October 9th at Jesus College.

Mr. George Prescott, the popular Ringing Master of the Axbridge Deanery of the Bath and Wells Association, spent a profitable week's holiday in the Worcester area recently, scoring five peals out of five attempts, including his first peals of Stedman Caters and Double Norwich.

After the memorial service to Field Marshal Smuts at Great St. Mary's, Cambridge, 1,259 Grandsire Caters was rung by the members of the Cambridge Youths, assisted by the Cambridge University Guild. The ringers were: P. Pigg 1, A. T. Chenery 2, T. R. Dennis 3, C. Hurst 4, W. Ridgeman 5, A. W. Cleaver 6, C. W. Smith (cond.) 7, H. L. Martin 8, J. W. R. Quinney 8, H. F. Brown 10.

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Guilds or associations who have not responded to the Central Council's repeated requests are asked to send their lists to Mr. H. Miles, Tolverne, Headland Road, Carbis Bay, St. Ives, Cornwall.

8 YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

EASTERN DISTRICT.

The autumn meeting of the Yorkshire Association, Eastern District, was held at Howden on September 30th, on a pouring wet day, which limited the attendance to about 25, although many more had intended being present and were no doubt prevented by the weather. Those present, however, enjoyed good ringing on the fine ring of eight bells.

Capt. Hobbs, of Howden, conducted the service and welcomed the Association again to Howden. An excellent tea was provided in Mrs. Tasker's cafe, and was followed by the business meeting, presided over by Mr. A. H. Fox (vice-president).

An invitation to hold the December meeting at York Minster on the day of the rededication of the Five Sisters' Window in the Minster was accepted. A collection for the Association's Bell Repair Fund realised 11s.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

CENTRAL BUCKS BRANCH.

The quarterly meeting of the Central Bucks Branch was held at Bletchley on September 9th. This was the first meeting held here since the bells were rehung. Fourteen towers were represented, and the service was conducted by the chairman, Canon Dixon, and an excellent address was given by the Rev. R. M. Davies, Rector of Great Horwood.

An excellent tea was provided by the ladies of the Church Council. Among the members present were the local band, including eight learners who since the bells had been rehung have taken up the art. A miniature of the old frame was on view; this had been made by the captain to scale. Ringing continued until 8.30 p.m., everybody participating.

The splendid 'go' of the bells was the admiration of all, and Mears and Stainbank were complimented on a splendid job of work.

Durham & Newcastle Assn.

NEW PRESIDENT ELECTED.

The annual meeting of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association was held in Newcastle on September 30th. Ringing took place at the Cathedral and St. John's, also at St. Mary's, Gateshead.

The festival service, held in the Cathedral, was conducted by the Provost, the Very Rev. N. M. Kennaby, Mr. J. L. Keen, organist of St. Aidan's, Newcastle, being at the organ.

Tea was served in the Cathedral library, and was followed by the annual meeting. Mr. W. N. Park's term as president has now drawn to a close, and on the motion of Mr. J. Anderson, seconded by Mr. R. Park, Canon H. S. Stephenson, Rector of Gateshead, was unanimously elected president. Mr. Anderson spoke in glowing terms of the good work the Canon has done for the ringers in the North-East since he became an honorary member of the Association in 1907. Mr. W. N. Park, investing Canon Stephenson with the president's badge of office, congratulated him on his election, and wished him a successful term of office.

All the other officials were re-elected with the exception of Mr. W. E. Robinson, who has relinquished his post as Northern District secretary owing to pressure of business. Mr. S. Hewitt was elected to the vacancy.

Thanks are due to Mr. W. E. Robinson, of the Newcastle Cathedral Guild, for the arrangements he made for the excellent meal.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

YOUTH TO THE FORE AT MARSHAM.

The meeting of the North Norfolk Branch at Marsham on Sept. 30th was attended by 27 members. The Rector, the Rev. H. G. Lillingston, conducted the service, and the Ringing Master, Mr. F. Nolan Golden, read the lesson.

At the business meeting ratification took place of belfry elections of Miss E. K. Fulton (Stanmore), G. Hunt (Harrow Weald), J. A. Cox, F. H. Hicks (Horsham), H. Walker (York), Miss C. A. Harding (Downham Market), Miss Sheila Barker and Miss Ellen Hickling (Hethersett) and David Heighton (Mancroft). Tribute to the memory of Mr. G. Mayers was paid by Mr. F. Nolan Golden, and the members stood in silence.

During the ringing youth was well to the fore, and one band stood as follows: Janet Goodman, Mulbarton (aged 12.7); Alfred Burrell (12.6) and John Richardson (13.5), Northrepps; David Heighton (15.10), Mancroft; Michael Goodman (14), Mulbarton; M. J. Beardwood (12.2); M. G. Evans (13.11) and J. Woodcock (15.2), St. George's, Colegate.

Votes of thanks to the Rector and Mrs. Lillingston for entertaining the members to tea, also to the Rector for conducting the service and the use of his bells, were passed.

The next meeting will be at St. George's, Colegate, on Saturday, January 6th.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL

BRISTOL RURAL BRANCH.

Over fifty members attended a most successful meeting held at Henbury (8) on September 30th. After the service (conducted by Canon Lloyd), all proceeded to the nearby Blaise Castle Civic Restaurant for a most enjoyable tea, followed by the business meeting, with Mr. Harding in the chair.

The chairman welcomed the Association Master (Mr. W. B. Kynaston) and his wife, as well as the other visitors from outside the branch. The outstanding business dealt with was the 'fixing' of the next two monthly meetings—Alveston for October and Coalpit-Heath for November.

Members afterwards returned to the tower for ringing, from rounds and Queens, Grandsire Doubles, up to Surprise methods, under Mr. F. Skidmore's supervision. Mr. F. Bromwich kindly arranged the tea, and the other details, to make it a happy time for all.

OBITUARY

MR. HARRY CHANDLER.

We regret to record the death of Mr. Harry Chandler, of Heston, Middlesex, on October 5th, at the age of 81 years.

He started ringing at St. Paul's, Hounslow, in 1887, and was made a member of the Heston band in 1892, where he had been a regular ringer until January, 1950, when he had to retire owing to bad health. For the last four years he was captain of the band.

Mr. Chandler was one of the founder members of the Middlesex Association and was secretary to the Association from 1909-1917, and Master in 1931. He was on the committee and instructor for many years, and was made a honorary life member about 1946.

MR. W. ROSEWELL.

Mr. William Rosewell, of 10, Hunstrete, Pensford, near Bristol, who died on September 17th, aged 62, will be remembered by his colleagues in the Bath and Wells Association for his keenness despite his infirmity and suffering during the past 25 years.

Marksbury ringers always remembered him at their annual ringers' service. He was conveyed in his wheeled chair in Major Buller Popham's brake to the church. Unfortunately this year he was too ill to come.

Mr. Rosewell had rung about 50 peals, 31 of them for the Bath and Wells Association, of which he had been a member since 1921. He was in the band that rang the first peals at Croscombe and Kilmersdon and the first of Minor at Queen Camel (the heaviest six in the country). He conducted the Coronation peal at Marksbury and his last peal was at Kilston, near Bath, on May 29th, 1939, which he conducted.

The funeral service was held at St. Peter's, Marksbury, on September 21st, and was conducted by the Rev. E. Wells. Mr. W. A. Prescott represented the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association and the Marksbury ringers. The bells of St. Peter's were rung half-muffled to 1,260 Grandsire Doubles by G. Hasell 1. Miss A. Tibbotts 2, Miss R. Smith 3, Miss B. Prescott 4, R. Smith 5, W. A. Prescott (cond.) 6.

MRS. P. C. WILLIAMS.

We regret to report the passing of Mrs. P. C. Williams, wife of the hon. treasurer of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association, who died on October 5th, after a long illness, at Portishead. The funeral was held on October 9th at Portishead Parish Church, followed by cremation at Arno's Vale, Bristol.

Besides the family mourners, the Association was represented by the following: Mr. J. G. Jefferies (vice-president), Mr. C. E. Jefferies, Mr. C. R. Harding (chairman, Bristol Rural Branch) and Mrs. Harding, Mrs. A. A. Hilliar, Mr. F. G. Leaker (chairman, Bristol City Branch), Mr. A. Prince (Management Committee), and Mr. F. Skidmore (hon. secretary).

The floral tributes included one from the Master, officers and members of the Association.

In the evening a tribute was paid by ringing 1,260 Stedman Triples, with the bells half-muffled, at St. Ambrose's Church, Bristol, by the following: Miss Ann Clarke 1, F. G. Leaker 2, Miss Miriam James 3, C. R. Harding 4, A. Prince 5, F. Skidmore (cond.) 6, J. G. Jefferies 7, R. G. Hooper 8.

Mrs. Williams was an associate member of the Association for many years, and her charming quiet disposition endeared her to all who knew her, and our sympathy goes out to her husband, son and daughter.

KIRK ELLA, E. YORKS.—On Sept. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss N. Bond 1, H. B. Nicholson 2, G. Dodds 3, I. Cowperthwaite 4, G. R. Hessey (cond.) 5, T. Peat 6. First quarter for 3, 4 and 6. In memoriam Rev. H. Snowdon.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Ringing Fees

Dear Sir,—I would like to thank those who contributed letters in reply to that of mine on the above subject, which appeared in your issue of July 7th.

As I anticipated, I have heard of no other instance similar to that which we experienced on that particular occasion. The nearest example is that of a church in Cheshire, where I am told the fee for ringing at a wedding is five guineas—three for the use of the bells and two for the ringers. In that case, so long as the ringers are satisfied with the arrangements, it's no one's business except that of the incumbent and churchwardens as to the disposal of the three guineas for the use of the bells. At any rate, the ringers are catered for.

There is one point about the letters published that does not appear quite clear, that is they seem to infer that we should take some definite steps on future occasions. We were not local ringers, but a visiting band, as there *are* no local ringers.

I think it would be a grand thing if the Vicar of the church we visited could meet the Rev. J. M. Turner, who could doubtless give the former some good advice and instruction.

It seemed to me a coincidence that the Rev. J. M. Turner should mention the use of the organ. I did not mention it in my letter, but in the course of my conversation with the Vicar of the church he told me that he charged a fee of two guineas for the organ, of which the organist received 10s. 6d.

There was at one time quite an enthusiastic band of ringers at this church. After the arrival of this vicar the band collapsed and (so I have been informed since I wrote my letter on the subject) 'all over a wedding.'

In reply to Mr. Turner's suggestion, I have already informed the district and general secretaries of the Kent County Association of our experience, and they, having read the correspondence in 'The Ringing World,' may perhaps think fit to bring the matter up at a committee meeting.

In conclusion, I must add that the bridal couple for whom we rang, on hearing that we had had no share of the 'three guineas,' promptly sent us our fee of 7s. 6d. each as originally agreed, although we had no intention of pressing for it.—Yours faithfully,

Chatham. V. A. JARRETT.

PLAIN BOB AT THROWLEY

Dear Sir,—The following account may be of some interest to your readers in the peal of Bob Major at Throwley, where the ringing chamber is lit by an oil lamp. It was noticed that the light was beginning to fade, and as the lamp flickered things looked pretty grim. The ringing had been very good and we had another part to go (the peal was a four-part), the time being about 6.30 p.m. The lamp went out at 6.35 p.m. and all the light we had then was from a very narrow window blocked by the form of the treble man, who very obligingly turned himself sideways. It became darker and darker; we couldn't see each other, only a white shirt here and there and Eileen Wyles' light frock. Fortunately it was Plain Bob and the bells fairly rang themselves home, coming round in good style at 7.14, it being pitch dark.

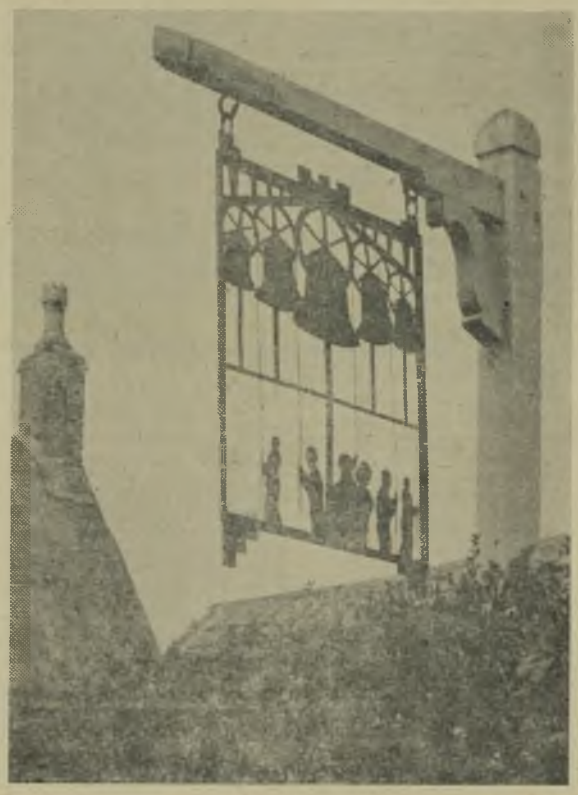
My congratulations to the two first pealers for sticking it so well and striking their bells all the way through so well. Also to the conductor, who wanted to call his first Bob Major.—Yours sincerely, GEORGE A. NAYLOR.

Rainham.

Inn Signs

Dear Sir, — With reference to Mr. Paul Birkett's letter in your issue of September 22nd, I am sending you a photograph of the sign of 'The Six Ringers' at Felmersham, Bedfordshire. The sign, which is of solid copper, shows five bells—the number of bells now in the tower of Felmersham Church. But the inn is the '*Six* Ringers,' so two men are put to the tenor.

There is a legend that Felmersham once had six bells, but one was stolen by monks from the neighbouring village of Odell and taken away by boat on the Ouse. The boat, however, sank under the weight of the bell, so the story goes, and boat, bell and monks were lost in the river.



'THE SIX RINGERS' AT FELMERSHAM, BEDFORDSHIRE.

I also have a photograph of the painted sign of the 'Ring of Bells' at Kendal, mentioned in Mr. Birkett's letter, but I do not think it would reproduce well. The sign is rather high up on the wall and the painting of the ringers is somewhat faded with age.—Yours faithfully,

H. J. SMITH.

Mears Ashby, Northants.

FIRST COMPOSER

Dear Sir,—The peal of Bob Major in 'The Ringing World,' September 15th, by E. W. Tipler, was given to me by the late York Green, August, 1896, after ringing a peal at St. Thomas', Brentwood, my first tower-bell peal.—Yours truly, C. FENN.

Barking.

DODDERHILL, WORCS. — On Sept. 24th, 1,280 Superlative Surprise Major: G. E. Large (cond.) 1, R. G. Morris 2, Miss C. A. Harding 3, A. Morgan 4, R. W. M. Clouston 5, W. H. A. Compton 6, R. Woodyatt 7, T. W. Lewis 8.

Folkestone Bells Broadcast

Dear Sir,—What a treat was given to us in Ireland on Oct. 8th to hear the bells of Folkestone Church on the wireless. The reception was very clear, so that one could distinctly hear the bells 'tap-out.' The B.B.C. was very generous in giving such a long duration, and we hope that they have at last ended their interruptions of the ringing.

As far as the ringing was concerned, it was of a high standard, and except for one or two trips, was perfect. The leads and rhythm were an object lesson, and if we had more broadcasts like this one a great deal of work would be taken off instructors.

Thank you, Folkestone, for an excellent performance and B.B.C. for a good long ring.—Yours sincerely,

FRED E. DUKES.

Drogheda, Co. Louth.

LADIES WHO HAVE CALLED STEDMAN

Dear Sir,—With reference to your note in Belfry Gossip regarding ladies who have conducted peals of Stedman Triples, the following may be of interest:—

Miss Annie Brown, of the SS. Philip and Jacob Guild, Bristol, called Washbrook's irregular ten-part at All Saints' Church, Corston, on June 13th, 1925. Incidentally this was the first peal of Stedman Triples conducted by a woman for the Bath and Wells Association and, I think, in the West Country.

Congratulations to Miss Joan Beresford.—Yours faithfully,

Bristol. EDWIN J. BROWN.

Dear Sir, — With reference to ladies who have conducted a peal of Stedman Triples, Miss Betty Spice and Miss Margaret L. Tutt have both conducted Heywood's Transposition, both from a non-observation bell, which, in my opinion, is a more creditable individual performance than taking part in a 'silent' peal of Stedman Triples.

W. F. JUDGE.

FIRST PEAL OF YORKSHIRE FOR ELY ASSOCIATION

Dear Sir,—Your Belfry Gossip has been rightly described as one of the most interesting features of 'The Ringing World,' but surely the paragraph referring to the above is rather vague; either the peal rung at Long Stanton was the first or otherwise. I have been through the Ely Report for 1934 and can find no mention of any peal of Yorkshire, the details of which would be interesting to—Yours faithfully,

Newton, Cambridge. C. W. COOK.

THE BANISTER FAMILY

Dear Sir,—May I, through your columns, thank Mr. Alfred Grove for his letter re the Banister family, July 28th, 1950? It is very interesting and has cleared up misunderstandings. It was not my good fortune to visit St. Mary's, Woolwich, so had not the pleasure of reading the peal boards. Banister records only four peals in 1861, as follows: 5,120 Kent Treble Bob Royal, 3 hours 30 mins., St. Clement Danes', Strand; 8,580 Stedman Cinques, 6 hours 41 mins., St. Michael's, Cornhill; 5,040 Grandsire Triples, 2 hours 59 mins., St. George's, Gravesend; 5,040 Grandsire Triples, 2 hours 58 minutes, St. George's, Gravesend.

Kind regards and best wishes to one and all from your fellow strings in Australia.—

Ashfield, N.S.W. A. R. BOTTING.

Irish Association

LIMERICK THE BEST STRIKERS.

The finalists of the three District Cup competitions, viz., Holywood Parish Church, Co. Down (Northern), St. Mary's Cathedral, Limerick (Southern), and St. Peter's Parish Church, Drogheda (Eastern), met at Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, on September 30th, to decide the destination for the Murphy Cup for the next twelve months.

Drogheda team were the first to ring, and after a very shaky start settled down to some nice ringing, but not before the total of 20 faults were debited against them. They rang call changes.

Holywood then entered the field, ringing Stedman Triples. A few trips, but otherwise good ringing, brought a total of 13 faults.

The present holders, St. Mary's, Limerick, were the last to compete. It was evident from the start that the destination of the cup had been decided. Their ringing was a treat to listen to, the rhythm perfect; the only real fault was in leading. The number of faults was five. Thus St. Mary's Cathedral, Limerick, retain the All-Ireland Cup for the best striking team for 1950-51.

The judges, Messrs. R. S. F. Murphy, P.C. (donor of the cup), and W. E. Lynch, in their report, said that the standard of ringing by all teams was exceptionally high and that the only real faults were at hand. Mr. Frank Stephens acted as ringing master in the tower during the actual competition.

After the competition, 55 competitors and their supporters sat down to an excellent tea, kindly provided by the Christ Church Cathedral Society. The tea over, the cup was presented by Mr. R. S. F. Murphy to Mr. Brian Brislane, the conductor of the winning team, who said that they were delighted to bring back the cup to Limerick. He also proposed a vote of thanks to the judges, which was seconded by Mr. H. Brown, conductor of the Holywood team.

Mr. William Pratt, president, thanked the Dean of Christ Church for so kindly placing the bells of his Cathedral at the disposal of the ringers, also to the Christ Church ringers and their ladies for so kindly providing the tea.

The bells of St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, were made available for the visitors during the early afternoon, when touches of Grandsire Caters and Stedman were rung.

THE CUMBERLAND YOUTHS

MEETING AT BURNHAM.

The quarterly meeting of the Royal Cumberland Youths was held at Burnham on September 30th.

The Master (Mr. G. H. Cross) presided over the business meeting, which was attended by some thirty members.

Four belfry elections were ratified—Mrs. N. O. L. Manchip (Enfield), E. Edmondson (Hatfield), S. F. Carter (Bengeo) and H. M. Heaton (Guiseley). Three new members were made, Margaret Tutt (Oxford), H. E. Wells (Nettlebed) and P. Coward (Adelaide).

The Master welcomed Mr. L. Baybut, home again from Kashmir, after 16 years' absence.

Suggestions made for future meetings at Reading and Guildford were deferred to the annual meeting, and the subject of the reopening of Shoreditch bells was also discussed.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. George Gilbert for arranging the meeting and tea.

Mr. Cross said it was a pleasure to come to Burnham and to hear the lovely ring of bells. He would like to congratulate Mr. Gilbert on what he had done to get them in order.

Ringing was very enjoyable, and methods ranged from Stedman to an attempt for Spliced Surprise.

HOLYWELL, HUNTS.—On Oct. 1st, 1,080 Cambridge Surprise: H. W. Pratt 1, F. Warrington (cond.) 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, A. Clements 4, G. L. Perkins 5 G. H. Dunnington 6.

Guild of Devonshire Ringers

SOUTH-WEST BRANCH.

The president of the Guild, Preb. E. V. Cox, and visitors from Croydon, Reigate, Exeter, Newton Abbot, Liskeard, Buckfastleigh, Meavy, Kelly, Plympton St. Maurice, Plymouth (Emmanuel and St. Andrew's), together with a party of university students under the care of Mr. John G. M. Scott, of Washabrooke Mill, Kingsbridge, supported the autumn meeting of the branch, held at Shaugh Prior on September 30th.

During the afternoon and evening the grand ring of six were rung to rounds, Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob, Kent and Cambridge Surprise, an excellent standard of striking throughout the day being largely attributed to the efforts of an efficient Ringing Master.

The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. T. F. Rider), who gave the branch a very warm welcome. A sumptuous tea was served to 60 members and friends.

The Rev. H. E. Bennett (branch chairman) presided at the business, supported by Mr. G. H. Myers, vice-president of the Guild, and was notable for the presentation of proficiency certificates to two promising young lady ringers of Plymouth Emmanuel band, the Misses A. Thomas and J. Thomas.

The hon. secretary reported it would not be possible to hold their annual meeting at Milton Abbot on January 6th. Three alternatives were proposed, and it was decided to seek permission to go to Buckland Monachorum on January 13th.

During the morning special ringing was 'put on' at St. Andrew's Plymouth, where touches in four standard methods were rung; and at Emmanuel, Cambridge Surprise Major, Double Norwich and Plain Bob were brought round.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

CREWE BRANCH.

Despite the fact that there were three meetings in adjoining branches, 50 ringers representing 21 towers were present at the meeting of the Crewe Branch at Nantwich on October 7th.

Ringing during the afternoon and evening was in charge of the branch Ringing Master (Mr. J. E. Brough), and ringing extended from rounds to the four principal Surprise methods.

The Rector (Canon Tyler Whittle) conducted the service, and at the tea supplied by the ringers' wives welcomed all present and commended the good fellowship among ringers.

Thanks were voiced to those who contributed to the success of the meeting by the Rev. Parry Williams (Acton), seconded by Mr. R. D. Langford, who said they were lucky in Cheshire in that there were plenty of facilities for ringing and plenty of ringers.

Mr. A. E. Richards (Farndon), as a visitor, thanked all for a lovely meeting.

Mr. Elkins (chairman of Bowdon Branch) gave thanks for the splendid welcome and thanked the clergy for their part in making the Guild so successful.

Congratulations were offered to Mr. and Mrs. W. Kerr, who were married recently.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

VISIT TO RADCLIFFE-ON-TRENT.

The Nottingham District of the Southwell Guild had an enjoyable meeting at Radcliffe-on-Trent on October 7th. All visitors were made welcome, including a party from Lincolnshire and the evergreen Jack Brothwell from Sheffield way. Rounds and methods to suit all tastes up to Superlative were rung.

One is always proud of one's 'first,' from a six-score upwards, but the following inscription on a tablet in the ringing chamber is probably unique as a record of 'length':—

'The four and twenty Changes were Rung for the first time correctly on the Four Bells in this Tower on Sunday, Nov. 25, 1883 (Time, 1 min. 5 sec.): W. H. Pumfrey Treble, Thomas Rose 2nd, R. H. Rushton 3rd, Ed. Carnell Tenor.'

Scottish Association

HALF-YEARLY MEETING.

The half-yearly meeting of the Scottish Association, held on October 7th at St. John's, Alloa, was very well attended in spite of the fact that several of the regulars were prevented from coming at the last minute.

The bells are the only light ring of eight in Scotland, and the learners especially found them much easier to manage their their own more weighty local bells and made good attempts at method ringing. Grandsire, Stedman and Kent were the favourites before tea, and afterwards they were ousted by Plain Bob and Cambridge Minor.

The members stood in silence when the president mentioned the death of Mr. W. C. S. Heathcote, the oldest ringer in Scotland and past Master of the Association, and the loss and sorrow felt by the members on this occasion.

Mr. Stafford, of Glasgow, brought up the question of peal ringing and the front page remark by the Editor of 'The Ringing World' in a recent issue, in which the Editor regretted that they had not scored a peal for the Association. Although one peal has been scored so far this year, it was generally agreed that more should be done to enable the peal enthusiasts to have the use of pealable towers for more frequent attempts.

The Rev. C. Harwood Dixon, Chaplain of St. Paul's Cathedral, Dundee, was the only ringer present from an unaffiliated tower, as the Leith contingent had withdrawn at the last minute. It is to be hoped, however, that when the next meeting comes round they will then be keen change ringers and therefore not be so diffident in joining in. R. St. C. W.

MR. F. E. HAYNES' 400 PEALS

Rung in 114 different towers, for 19 associations, in 30 counties. First peal November 11th, 1925; 400th peal, August 28th, 1950.

ON TOWER BELLS.

Doubles.—Six methods 1, four methods 1, Stedman 1 (1).

Minor.—Seven methods 3, seven Surprise 2, Cambridge 3 (1), London 3, Beverley 2, Berwick 1, Lightfoot 1, Surfleet 1, Wells 1, Netherseal 1, Immanuel 1, Durham 1, York 1.

Triples.—Grandsire 5, Stedman 17 (one silent) (4).

Major.—Plain Bob 10, Double Norwich 21 (8), Kent 6, Cambridge 23 (3), London 12 (1), Superlative 8, Bristol 1, Yorkshire 11 (2), Spliced Surprise (4 methods) 2, Lincolnshire 2, Belgrave 3, Rutland 3, Hallam 1, Hitchin 1 (1), Stratford 1, Warwickshire 1, Ipswich 1, New Cambridge 1.

Caters.—Grandsire 8 (1), Stedman 27 (10).

Royal.—Plain Bob 3 (1), Little Bob 1, Kent 1, Cambridge 14 (4), Yorkshire 8 (4), New Cambridge 1, Solihull 1, Pudsey 1, Prittlewell 1, Albanian 1, Lincolnshire 1.

Cinques.—Grandsire 3, Erin 1 (1), Stedman 87 (25).

Maximus.—Kent 1, Cambridge 12 (1), Yorkshire 3, Pontefract 1, Solihull 1, Prittlewell 1, Lincolnshire 1, Belgrave 1.

Total 334 (conducted 69).

ON HANDBELLS.

Triples.—Grandsire 3.

Major.—Plain Bob 17 (1), Kent 4, Little Bob 1, Double Norwich 3, Oxford Treble Bob 1.

Stedman Caters 3 (1), Grandsire Caters and Bob Royal 1.

Royal.—Plain Bob 8, Kent 1 (1), Double Bob 1.

Stedman Cinques 21 (3).

Maximus.—Plain Bob 1, Kent 1.

Total 66 (conducted 6).

FINCHAMPSTEAD, BERKS. — On Sept. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Mason (first quarter) 1, S. Borrett (first quarter) 2, Mrs. W. White (first 'inside') 3, M. Mason 4, R. N. Elliott (cond.) 5, P. Mason 6.

OUTINGS IN MANY COUNTIES

BURES AND DISTRICT.

This year's outing on September 16th embraced ringing in six towers in Surrey, Berks, Oxfordshire, Bucks, Herts and Essex.

The two coaches reached Colchester in good time to pick up the Thorington, Mistley and Colchester contingents, and a party of nearly 60 ringers and friends set course for Egham, via London and Staines Bridge. Ringing on the good toned octave was not all that it should have been. The route then lay through Windsor Great Park to Bray, where we were welcomed by the Vicar and Mr. Fred Russell. These were the heaviest bells of the day, and the younger members had some difficulty in striking them. A good course of Superlative was rung before adjourning for lunch at the George Hotel.

The prettily situated church at Shiplake was being decorated for the harvest festival when we arrived, and the non-ringers had plenty to see, including the ringing which is carried out in the ground floor belfry. The bells, a light handy eight, were just right for the youngsters, and rounds, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Cambridge Major were rung. It was a short run to Marlow, where we found the local men and lady ringers awaiting our arrival. Both the bells and the well-kept belfry were much admired, although the touches had to be short to allow all to have a ring in the limited time available.

Tea was partaken at the Queen's Cafe before saying farewell to the Thames and proceeding to Watford, where Messrs. Bell and Crooke had everything ready. This fine ten were the best bells of the day, and ringing concluded with a good course of Stedman Caters. At Loughton that grand old Essex veteran, 'Teddy' Bacon, was patiently waiting our arrival. Here was another fine-toned octave in a broad cathedral-like tower. All the ringing here was good, especially a touch of Stedman Triples, and 86-year-old Mr. Bacon joined us in the last touch.

The best thanks of the party must go to Mr. Leslie Mills, who carried out all the arrangements in his usual efficient manner, and also to Mr. Alan Andrews, who was ringing master for the day. H. J. M.

ST. MARY'S, EWELL.

So popular have the ringers' outings of St. Mary's, Ewell, become that two coaches were required for this year's excursion. Ringers from Epsom, Banstead and Leatherhead were included in the party as well as members of the choir and congregation.

A tour of Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire had been planned by Mr. J. E. Beams (the captain). Contrasts were provided by the first two towers—Nettlebed (6 cwt. tenor) and Watlington (24 cwt.). We were surprised to learn that this was the first time Watlington bells had been rung.

Lunch was served at Bicester, followed by ringing on the bells at the fine old church. The visitors were impressed by the huge ringing chamber at Buckingham (tenor 27 cwt.) with forms in the centre of the circle. Winslow, the next call, has only room for ringers of the six bells and a few onlookers in the ringing chamber, but the church compensated with its ancient books and mediæval wall painting. After tea in the Church Room there was a long ride to the 18th century church of West Wycombe. Here a short evening service was attended in the church. Interest was divided between the bells and the hollow ball on top of the tower which can accommodate ten people.

Darkness prevented the party from enjoying the beauties of Buckingham Church, though we much enjoyed ringing the bells. Thanks are due to Mr. Beams for his careful planning and the clergy and others who made us welcome at the churches visited.

DORSET RINGERS IN DEVON.

Recently a combined tour in the Tiverton area of Devon was made by ringers from Piddlehinton, Hazelbury Bryan, Stalbridge and Sturminster Newton, Dorset, and Hardington Mandeville, Somerset.

The coach, with Lester Knight, a ringer, at the wheel, left Hazelbury Bryan at 7.30 a.m., and after picking up en route arrived at Halberton at 10.15 a.m., where the local captain met the ringers. This heavy six was enjoyed till 11, although the hands of some of the band suffered from the hard ropes.

Calverleigh was soon reached, where Mr. Hill, the local captain, welcomed the ringers. The bells here are a lovely six, although some of the 'heavy bell' experts found the weight (tenor 5¼ cwt.) and long ropes a bit tricky. After an hour's ringing an alfresco lunch was partaken in or out of the coach.

At Thelbridge weather typical of the 1950 summer prevailed and continued for the remainder of the day. Here full use was made of another handy six for about an hour. A fireplace in the ringing chamber caused much speculation as to how the ringer of the treble would prevent scorching of his trousers should it be lighted.

Cruwys Morchard was the next tower on the list and this was soon reached. The bells were soon raised, but although the six go fairly well, the long ropes and deep setting fifth and tenor made ringing a little difficult except for the most experienced.

Clapps Cafe, Tiverton, was the next objective, where a very good tea was awaiting the band. Cadeleigh was reached after a grand effort on behalf of coach and Lester up true Devon hills. All agreed that these bells were the tit-bit of the day and there was no desire to make a move. However, there was one more on the list and Cadbury was reached as daylight was failing and the Vicar and most of the local band were waiting at the churchyard gate to give the ringers the heartiest welcome of the day. Oil lights in the belfry were lighted and the bells were raised and set going. After a short period of ringing the true meaning of the Parable of the Foolish Virgins became obvious and the bells were hastily lowered, the ringers beating the failing light by a small margin. So ended the ringing of the second combined outing which all had enjoyed. E. T. P. F.

ANOTHER DEVON TOUR.

On October 7th, about 25 ringers enjoyed an afternoon and evening tour arranged by Mr. J. Lilley, of Highweek. The first tower was Kingsteignton, where the Rector met the band and stayed all the time of ringing in the ringing chamber. Full use was made of this glorious octave for an hour, after which a move was made to Chudleigh, where there is another fine 'eight.' After another enjoyable hour of ringing the band adjourned to The Whistling Kettle for a very good tea.

The first tower after tea was Moreton-Hampstead (8). Here, however, ringing was abruptly curtailed owing to the Rector wishing to take evensong and signifying his intentions by extinguishing the lights in the ringing chamber. Fortunately the more experienced members of the band were ringing at the crucial moment and the touch of Bob Major in progress was safely brought home in the semi-darkness, after which the bells were hurriedly lowered more or less in peal.

Chagford (8), five miles away, was soon reached and full use of the bells (tenor 18 cwt.) was made for about an hour, although a few found the long draught a bit trying. The next tower on the agenda was Manaton (6), but this visit had to be cancelled as the clapper of the second had been broken earlier in the week. Arriving at the last tower of the tour, North Bovey (6), half an hour behind schedule, a search had to be made for the sexton and the belfry key. Happily both were found soon enough to allow of all the band having a short touch each on this handy ring before 9 p.m. called 'That's all' to a very enjoyable outing. The ringers taking part represented about eight Devon towers, a Dorset band and a visitor from London.

Thanks are due to Mr. J. Lilley for arranging the towers and to Mr. A. Bennett for circularising the ringers. E. T. P. F.

KEYMER, SUSSEX.

The ringers of Keymer, Sussex, together with their wives and friends and visiting ringers from Hurstpierpoint and Bosham, held their annual outing through East Sussex and Kent on September 16th. The coach left Keymer at 8 a.m. for the little village of Sedlescombe. The pleasant ring of six (tenor 10 cwt.) here was put to good use for half an hour.

The next part of the trip was through the old town of Rye, and across Walland and Romney Marshes to New Romney, calling at Brookland en route to inspect the very quaint wooden belfry. Unfortunately, time would not allow of any efforts to obtain permission to 'snatch' the tower, rather to the disappointment of the younger members. Ringing on the anti-clockwise octave at New Romney (tenor 19½ cwt.) was much appreciated, and one member of the party also enjoyed being allowed to try the new electronic organ!

Lunch at Hythe followed. The next tower was the six (tenor 12 cwt.) at Willesborough—another anti-clockwise ring — where we were very pleased to meet Mr. E. S. Ruck, the only surviving foundation member of the Kent County Association. While ringing was in progress here, the non-ringers visited the shops in Ashford, and after rejoining forces, the coach went on to Charing. A former Rector of the parish had passed away only an hour before our arrival, and the fine ring of six (tenor 13¾ cwt.) was rung half-muffled to various methods. All were much impressed with the beauty and solemnity of half-muffled ringing.

To Maidstone for tea and a short stroll round the town before the run up the Medway Valley to the last tower, the recently rehung six (tenor 8½ cwt.) at Wateringbury. Everyone was impressed with the good tone and easy running of these light bells, and methods up to Kent Minor were rung, with the assistance of three members of a band which had unsuccessfully attempted a peal in the tower that afternoon.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Backshaw and to Peter Romney, the tower secretary, for arranging such an excellent outing. P. N. B.

CAMBRIDGE YOUTHS.

On September 30th, the Society of Cambridge Youths had their annual outing to Messrs. Taylor's foundry and were joined by friends from Over, Harston and Melbourn.

The first call was Market Harborough, where good use was made of the bells for 45 minutes, and more good ringing was enjoyed at Wigston Magna. At Loughborough the party were met by Mr. J. Oldham and Mr. P. Taylor. A brief visit to the foundry was followed by lunch at the Eagle Inn, arranged by Mr. Oldham.

In the afternoon the bells of the Parish Church were rung for an hour and the foundry was again visited. The bells of the campanile caused great fun, one member actually smoking his pipe during the ringing

Leaving pleasant memories of Loughborough, the party proceeded to Leicester and enjoyed ringing at the Cathedral and St. Margaret's. During tea at the Rex Restaurant, the Rev. Hopkins thanked Mr. Quinney for his excellent arrangements. An hour's ringing at Kettering brought the end of a perfect day.

Methods rung included Bob Major, Double Norwich, Cambridge, Superlative, Treble Ten, Grandsire Triples, Caters and Cinques and Stedman Triples and Caters. J. W. R. Q.

Thornaugh, Northants

Behind the ringing of the first peal at Thornhaugh on Saturday, September 23rd, 1950, lies a somewhat interesting story. The writer over a period of years has tried to impress the importance of more frequent visits to the five-bell towers, otherwise the country might be faced with hundreds of these towers with no life in them, with the bells hanging derelict.

That they are as much a part of the Exercise as the higher numbers, and worthy of better consideration than a mere collection of ringers' subscriptions to their guilds, must be recognised; but often little more about them is done.

No meeting had ever been held at Thornhaugh prior to April 22nd, 1950—and that was largely brought about by pressure from the writer; in fact, previous to this it had never occurred to many ringers that five bells existed at Thornhaugh. Others interested in nothing less than six had rumoured them 'unringable' without even going to see what they were like. One look at them soon convinced me that this was just a prejudiced hoax. The first peal has now been rung at Thornhaugh.

A steel frame for five (three trebles above two tenors) put in in 1889 by John Warner and Sons was an ambitious restoration—there were then only three bells, the present 2nd, 3rd and 4th. The same firm had recast the 4th in 1860 from an earlier bell by Tobias Norris, jun., of Stamford, dated 1684, whose father, Thomas Norris, cast the present 3rd in 1634. Thomas' father, Tobias Norris, sen., cast the 2nd in 1619. In St. George's Church, Stamford, is a plaque to the memory of the last named, who died in 1626. Thomas died in 1674, and Tobias, jun., in 1699. The treble and tenor to complete the five were added by John Warner and Sons in 1909. The 32in. tenor is 6 cwt. in B. P. A.

DR. J. C. E. SIMPSON'S 500 PEALS

Below is the list of 500 peals rung by Dr. J. C. E. Simpson, of Timperley, Cheshire. They have been rung in 263 towers for 25 associations and guilds.

Minor.—1-7 methods 13 (conducted 8).

Triples.—Grandsire 2; Stedman 13.

Plain Major.—Plain Bob 15 (10); Double Norwich 28 (20); Little Bob 1 (1); Loughborough Bob 1 (1); Double Oxford Bob 1 (1); Cheltenham Bob 1 (1); St. Clement's Bob 1 (1); Gonville Bob 1 (1); Pershore Bob 1; Double Coslany Court 1.

Treble Bob and Surprise Major.—Kent 16 (13); Oxford 6 (5); Kent and Oxford 1 (1); Albion 1 (1); Cambridge Surprise 65 (*36); New Cambridge 7 (6); Superlative 43 (19); Yorkshire 21 (7); London 59 (†44); Bristol 34 (†18); Rochester 7 (2); Liverpool 3 (2); Pudsey 3 (1); Norfolk 3; Lincolnshire 2 (1); Cheshire 1 (1); Ipswich 1 (1); Rutland 1 (1); Edinburgh 1 (1); Watford (1 (1); Glasgow 1 (1); Wembley 1 (1); Northchurch 1; Napsburg 1; Wallasey 1; Guildford 1; Ashtead 1; Spliced, 2-8 methods 23 (18).

Caters.—Grandsire 1; Stedman 11.

Plain Royal.—Plain Bob 1; St. Clement's Bob 1; Isleworth Bob 1; Little Bob 1; Double Norwich 1.

Treble Bob and Surprise Royal.—Kent 5 (1); Oxford and Kent 1; Cambridge Surprise 27 (9); New Cambridge 2; Yorkshire 6; Rochester 4 (3); London (No. 3) 2 (1); Pudsey 1; Lindsey 1; Rutland 1; Spliced Cambridge and Yorkshire 1.

Singles.—Stedman 21; Erin 1.

Plain Maximus.—Plain Bob 3 (2); Little Bob 1.

Treble Bob and Surprise Maximus.—Kent 2 (1); Oxford 1; Cambridge Surprise 14 (4); New Cambridge 1; Yorkshire 2 (1); Rochester 1. Total 500 (237).

* Includes one non-conducted. † Includes one silent.

Sheffield and District Society

The October meeting at Sheffield is always an attractive feature and this year was no exception. In the afternoon the belfry at St. Marie's R.C. Church was packed with the local ringers and visitors, who came from Stockport, Warsop, Barnby Don, Ottley, Blackwell, Worksop and Retford.

Many methods were rung and included was a course of Primrose Surprise and a tea-time attempt at Bristol which failed to materialise. Tea was served in the Wolstenholm Hall, when 50 sat down, and the Precentor of Sheffield Cathedral (the Rev. A. H. Mays) was in the chair at the business meeting which followed.

The twelve-bell ringing commenced at 7 p.m. with rounds for the learners, and a lot of others, followed by Royal and Caters and Kent and Little Bob Maximus. The day ended with a good course of Yorkshire on the back eight.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

TONBRIDGE DISTRICT.

The annual meeting of the Tonbridge District was held at Tonbridge on October 7th. Ringing began at 3 and was followed by a service at 4.30, at which the Vicar (Canon Russell B. White) officiated.

Tea was taken at the Parish Room, and the subsequent business meeting was held with the Vicar in the chair. The following officers were elected: Secretary, Mr. R. A. Whitehead; district representatives, Miss D. Colgate and Mr. E. T. Ladd; Ringing Master, Mr. R. Collins.

New members elected were Miss B. Atkins, Miss D. Wood, Miss C. Simmonds and Messrs. G. Parsons and D. Bower, of Hadlow, and Miss J. Morris and Mr. C. Hancock, of the local band.

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ENGAGEMENT

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MEETINGS

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South-Eastern Division.—Meeting, Widford (8), Saturday, Oct. 21st. Bells 2.30 Service 4.30. Numbers for tea to Everett, 24, The Chase, Boreham. 7703

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—The annual district meeting will be held at Rochester Cathedral on Saturday, Oct. 21st. Cathedral bells available from 3 p.m. Other towers in the district available after the business meeting. Service in the Cathedral 4 p.m.—B. W. May, Keithston, Keycol Hill, near Sittingbourne, Kent. 7704

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Crewkerne Deanery.—Meeting, Puckington, Saturday, Oct. 21st. Usual arrangements.—J. T. Locke, Hon. Sec., School Street, Drayton. 7721

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Hunts District.—Great Staughton, Saturday, Oct. 21st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—S. Gilbert, Dis. Sec. 7739

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual dinner, Lion Hotel, Guildford, Oct. 21st, the Lord Bishop of Guildford presiding. Assemble 6.30 for 7 p.m. Ringing 3 to 4.30 at Cathedral Church (8), Shalford (8) and Merrow (6). Short service in Crypt Chapel of new Cathedral 5.30 p.m. Dinner tickets 8s. 6d. from G. S. Joyce, 130, Ship Lane, Farnborough. 7740

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.—North and North-East Branches.—Please note alteration. The joint meeting on Oct. 21st will be at Chittlehampton, not South Molton. Names for tea to Miss B. M. Boyle, Libra Gardens, Combe Martin, stating whether transport required from South Molton. 7691

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northern Branch (Gainsborough District).—The next meeting will be at Brigg on Saturday, Oct. 21st. Bells afternoon and evening. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m.—George L. A. Lunn, Hon. Sec., Crow Garth, Lea, Gainsborough. Tel. 2623. 7716

MELDRETH, CAMBS.—Dedication of new treble of augmented six. Dedication service, Saturday, Oct. 21st, at 3.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting of Ely Diocesan Association, Cambridge District.—H. L. Martin, Dis. Sec. 7752

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Andover District.—St. Marybourne (6), Oct. 21st. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5.—J. Hill, Maesteg, Anna Valley, Andover 7735

HAWKHURST AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Meeting, Marden, Oct. 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Names, tea, to Miss H. Gorringe, 3, Sandrock Villas, Hawkhurst. 7747

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — St. Albans District.—Meeting, Saturday, Oct. 21st, Kimpton, 3 to 5 p.m., not Wheathampstead. Tea. 5 p.m., Kimpton. 6.30 p.m., Sandridge. —T. J. Southam. 7777

SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting, Hemingbrough (6), Saturday, Oct. 21st. Bells 2.45 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names to Mr. F. Terry, Water Lane Farm, Hemingbrough.—L. M. Woodhead, Hon. Sec. 7783

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Cary Branch.—Meeting at Queen Camel, Oct. 28th, 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. — H. C. Lintern, Ditcheat, Shepton Mallet. 7728

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North Division.—Meeting at Felsted (8), Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea at Bootes House Cafe.—H. A. Pratt. 7732

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Lewisham District. — Annual meeting, St. Mary's, Lewisham, Saturday, Oct. 28th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea (2s.) by Monday, 23rd, to A. Hill, 24, Stanmore Road, Belvedere. 7735

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Grimsby District.—Meeting at Barrow-on-Humber, Oct. 28th. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Names for tea by Oct. 25th to W. A. Crowder, Manor Farm, Barrow-on-Humber. 7719

LINCOLN GUILD. — Southern Branch. — Quarterly meeting, Colsterworth (6 bells), Saturday, Oct. 28th. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and business meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, by Oct. 23rd, to Bernard H. Dalton, Hon. Sec., Billingborough, Sleaford, Lincs. 7726

MARSDEN, HUDDERSFIELD.—Open day, Oct. 28th. Tenor 26 cwt. Bells from 1.45 to 6.15. Cups of tea, whist, pie supper, dance, entertainment in Parochial Hall, 6.30. Tickets (1s. 6d.) from D. B. Cater, Woods Avenue. 7715

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—South Norfolk Branch. — Meeting at Bergh Apton, Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. in the School. Brooke bells during evening. Please notify H. Boggis, Bergh Apton, Norwich, for tea, by Oct. 24th.—A. G. Harrison, Hon. Sec. 7729

PETERBOROUGH GUILD.—Wellingborough Branch.—Quarterly at Irchester, Saturday, Oct. 28th. Service 4.30. Names for tea early.—A. Bigley, 30, Allen Road, Irthlingborough. 7738

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. — Next meeting, Bell Foundry, Whitechapel, Saturday, Oct. 28th. Nomination of officers. Ringing, St. Giles' Cathedral, 4.45 p.m. (approx.). 313th anniversary dinner, Pimm's Restaurant, Bishopsgate, E.C., Nov. 11th, 6 p.m. Tickets 13s. 6d. Ringing, St. Michael's, Cornhill, 3 to 4.30: St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, 2.30 to 4.30.—A. B. Peck. 7749

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. — Axbridge Deanery. — Meeting. Cheddar, Oct. 28th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea, Chelet Hotel, Cliff Street, 5 p.m.—E. J. Avery, Hon. Sec., Sandford, Bristol. 7778

BRANDESTON, SUFFOLK. — The restored six bells (by Taylor) will be dedicated on Oct. 28th at 3 p.m. Ringing until 9 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. for all who notify Rev. S. W. Davies, Brandeston Vicarage, Woodbridge, Suffolk. 7779

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. — Crewe Branch.—Wrenbury (6 bells), Oct. 28th. Names for tea must arrive by 25th.—Rich. D. Langford, 118, Ruskin Road, Crewe. 7763

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Derby District. — Monthly meeting. Aston-on-Trent, Saturday, Oct. 28th, 3 o'clock. Bring food. Cups of tea provided.—J. T. Wilkinson. 7770

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Meeting, Cottenham (6), Oct. 28th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—M. Grain, Belmont, Ely. 7785

DEVON GUILD.—Mid-Devon Branch.—Wolborough, Newton Abbot, Saturday, Oct. 28th. Usual arrangements.—A. L. Bennett, Cornerways, Buckfastleigh. 7765

WORCESTER ASSOCIATION. — Western Branch.—Jubilee of the bells of St. Matthias' Church, Malvern Link, Saturday, Oct. 28th. Service in church 3.30 p.m.; preacher, Rev. L. J. Birch, Rector of Hanbury. Bells available after service until 8 p.m. Tea provided if name sent to Mr. Ernest Barber, 240, Worcester Road, Malvern Link, before Wednesday, Oct. 25th. 7786

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Liversedge, Oct. 28th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. will be arranged for all who notify Mr. F. Hodgson, 103, Union Road, Liversedge, by October 26th. Business meeting to follow tea.—H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec. 7784

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Rural Branch.—Monthly meeting at Alveston (6), Oct. 28th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Meeting 6. Essential to notify for teas by Oct. 22nd to N. Denson, 55, Gordon Avenue, Whitehall, Bristol 5 (please note change of address). 7753

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bromyard District.—Combined practice will be held at Bromyard on Saturday, Oct. 28th, and Nov. 25th at 5.30.—A. S. Tomkins. 7754

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Horwich, on Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Meeting following tea. Cups of tea provided.—Peter Crook. 7781

SURREY ASSOCIATION. — Southern District.—The meeting at Kingswood arranged for Oct. 28th has been cancelled owing to illness in the parish.—R. Foreman, Dis. Sec. 7734

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Melton District.—Meeting at Wymondham, Saturday, Oct. 28th. Bells 3. Tea and meeting 4.30. Service 6. Names to Mr. Huddlestone, Wymondham. Special bus leaves Melton 2.40. All ringers welcome.—J. H. Cook. 7771

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hinckley District.—Croft, Oct. 28th. Bells (6) 3. Service 4.30. Tea in Village Hall 5. Please notify Mr. F. Watson, 5, Pochin Street, by Tuesday, Oct. 24th. 7772

OXFORD GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch. — Meeting, Marlow, Saturday, Oct. 28th, 3 p.m. Names by 23rd, or no tea. —Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough. 7773

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. — Northampton Branch. — Hardingstone, Oct. 28th. Names for tea by Oct. 24th to Mr. Eric Nobles, Hon. Sec., 48, Millway, Duston, Northants. 7780

SALISBURY GUILD.—Marlborough Branch. —Next meeting, West Overton, Oct. 28th.—T. A. Palmer, Baydon Hill, Aldbourne, Marlborough. 7766

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY. — Annual general meeting, Oct. 28th, St. Giles-in-the-Fields (8). Ringing 3 p.m. — V. J. Benning, Hon. Sec. 7755

LADIES' GUILD.—Wiltshire Branch.—Meeting at St. John's, Devizes, Oct. 28th. Bells from 3 p.m. 7759

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD. —Basingstoke District.—Quarterly meeting at Shenfield-on-Loddon, Oct. 28th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Names for tea by Oct. 24th to G. Chesterman, Leacroft, Sherborne St. John. 7756

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Division.—Practice meeting, Hailsham, Saturday, Oct. 28th. Tower open 3.30 p.m. Tea arranged.—P. H. Rollison, Hon. Div. Sec., 313, Victoria Drive, Eastbourne. 7788

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Hatfield, Oct. 28th, 3 p.m. Cups of tea provided.—W. E. Critchley. 7769

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chipping Norton Branch. — Autumn meeting at Charlbury, Saturday, Oct. 28th, 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea.—C. F. Taplin. 7787

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—Roker, Sunderland, Saturday, Oct. 28th, 2.30. Names for tea to Mr. M. B. Richardson, 2, Mansfield Crescent, Roker, Sunderland, by Oct. 26th. — W. Sheraton. 7757

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Meeting at Thames Ditton, Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Notifications to F. Hawthorne, 39, Queen's Road, Thames Ditton, by Nov. 1st. 7767

HERTS ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—Meeting at Much Hadham, Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Service and meeting after tea at Red Lion for those who notify W. H. Rogers, 7, Park Terrace, Much Hadham, by 2nd. 7758

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Meeting at Pluckley, Nov. 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. T. Cullingworth, 95a, High Street, Ashford. 7762

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD FESTIVAL.—Ringing at the Bell Foundry and All Saints' Church, Loughborough, 2.30 to 5.30, on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Dinner, followed by a social evening, at the Bull's Head Hotel, Shelthorpe, at 6.15. Tickets (7s. 6d. each) from H. J. Poole, 150, Narborough Road South, Leicester, on receipt of remittance by Nov. 1st. 7775

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northern Branch (Sleaford District).—Quarterly meeting, Heckington, Nov. 4th. Bells (8) afternoon and evening. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., but only for those who notify me by Monday previous.—Mrs. D. Wray, Hon. Sec., 16, Eastgate, Sleaford. 7761

BECCLES, SUFFOLK. — Joint meeting of Suffolk Guild and Norwich Diocesan Association (Eastern Branch), Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells at 2 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Please send names or numbers for tea to E. R. Goal, 47, Smallgate, Beccles, by Wednesday, Nov. 1st. — J. Harwood, Sec. to East Norfolk. 7782

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Seventy-fifth anniversary. A general meeting will be held at Birstall, near Leeds (birthplace of the Association), on Saturday, Nov. 4th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Committee meet in schools at 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m., followed by tea in schools at 5 p.m. Names to Mr. S. Britton, 22, Kings Drive, Birstall, near Leeds, by Nov. 2nd. General meeting, same premises, immediately after. — L. W. G. Morris, Gen. Sec., 65, Lilycroft Road, Heaton, Bradford.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. — Elloe Deaneries Branch.—Next quarterly meeting at Pinchbeck, on Saturday, Nov. 11th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m., followed by tea at 4.45 p.m. Names for tea before Nov. 4th to Mr. W. A. Richardson, Glenside, Pinchbeck, Spalding. 7750

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