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NEXT YEAR'S 'RINGING WORLD'

FOR probably the first time in the history of the Central Council an extraordinary meeting of the Standing Committee was held in London a fortnight ago. It had been called to consider facts and figures about the finances of 'The Ringing World' and to decide what action was necessary.

The facts were indisputable. Five years ago a rise of twopence in the price led to a working profit—that is, ignoring donations and interest—of over £800. By 1958 this figure had dropped to £101. An increase of 12½ per cent. in printing costs, remembering that in 1958 the printing bill was over £4,000, means that in a full year another £500 must be found from somewhere. Not only this, but there is general agreement that an increase in the salaries of the staff of the paper cannot longer be delayed; as one member with considerable experience in the world of business wrote recently, if they were to go to-morrow the Exercise would be lucky to replace them at twice the present cost. True the circulation is now as high as it has ever been, but the increase in the past twelve months of 170 copies weekly, welcome and pleasing though it is, cannot bridge the gap.

There are doubtless readers of 'The Ringing World' to whom the thought has occurred that the answer does not lie in increasing the price. Could not the Council subsidise the paper, for example? What about the Clement Glenn bequest? Why cannot the £3,000 pounds invested be made use of?

Superficially attractive though some or all these ideas may seem, in reality they would present at best only a short-term solution. The Council's income, for instance, comes only from subscriptions amounting to some £75 a year and from any profits on the sale of publications, and last year the total surplus was under £6. The Clement Glenn fund, capital and interest combined, would do little more than meet next year's extra costs. The investments, if realised, would admittedly tide over the next three or four years, but while the use of reserves to meet a 'once-for-all' requirement would be justifiable, to allow their gradual erosion in the knowledge that when they are exhausted the situation at the end would be no better than at the start cannot be regarded as prudent finance.

Nevertheless it was only after considerable heart-searching that the Standing Committee agreed that from the issue of January 1st, 1960, the price of the paper must be increased to eightpence. Charges of advertisements will be advanced by about 12½ per cent., but notices will not be affected. The annual postal subscription will be thirty-five shillings, against twenty-eight shillings at present. This is something less than the full increase and is in effect a return to the arrangement in force before postal charges went up a year or so ago, whereby subscription copies were sent post free. It has, however, been decided to make the same concession as on the previous occasion the price was increased, that those whose postal subscriptions (quarterly, half-yearly or annual) are received before the end of 1959 will pay the existing rate—a worth-while saving.

Behind the committee's decision was the hope that with the increased revenue the paper will again be able to stand on its own feet. In the past five years readers have subscribed nearly £1,000 to its funds. Only recently the Oxford Diocesan Guild sent a donation of £20, while not long ago the Devon Guild announced a levy on all peals rung under its auspices, the proceeds to be given to 'The Ringing World.' It is hard to find words adequately to express the thanks of those closely concerned with the running of the paper to all who have helped in this way. And yet, to one at least, it has become increasingly distasteful that the paper should appear to be imposing on the goodwill of the few. Had the Council at Southport decided in its wisdom, rightly or wrongly, to make a charge for the insertion of peal reports, this would have fallen on by far the majority of readers, but, as everyone knows, the burden at present is selective only.

The purpose of this article, however, is to deal solely with finance and not to discuss such questions as whether the general content of the paper meets the wishes of the majority of readers. or whether there is a large potential readership for whom it does not cater. These and allied matters were indeed touched on at some length in the course of the Standing Committee's deliberations and revealed a considerable divergence of opinion. One change will in any case be made. The recent installation of new machinery at the Woodbridge Press makes it possible to utilise an inch to an inch and a half of paper which at present has to be trimmed off. This may not seem much, but in fact it represents the equivalent of an additional 78 pages of reading matter in the course of a year.

Whatever criticisms may be made of the decision which has been taken—and inevitably there will be some—the

committee are confident that the 'hard core' of readers, the real enthusiasts on whom depends the well-being of the Exercise as we know it to-day, will accept the increased price—not without the odd grumble, maybe—but in the knowledge that without it, and remembering that a further review of printers' wages is coming up in two years' time, the journal—their journal—could keep going only by using up its slender reserves, which amount to something like nine months' printing costs, unless some entirely new (and therefore unpredictable) source of income were to be found.

E. A. B.

MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD'S TOUR OF THE LAKE DISTRICT

HAWKSHEAD, LANCASHIRE.
THE MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.
A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt.

*DAVID W. JAMES	*Treble*	*JOHN PILKINGTON	5
*BRIAN A. TOMLINSON	2	BARRIE HENDRY	6
*MARGARET ROSS	3	TREVOR TAYLOR	7
*ROBERT J. WARRILOW	4	DEREK OGDEN	*Tenor*

Composed by A. CRAVEN. Conducted by TREVOR TAYLOR.
* First peal of Rutland. First of Rutland for the Guild. First in the method on the bells.
Rung for All Saints' Day, All Souls' Day, and the Vicar's stewardship campaign. A birthday compliment to the treble ringer's mother.

KENDAL, WESTMORLAND.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Nov. 1, 1959, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL
Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb. in D flat.

MRS. D. OGDEN	*Treble*	†JOHN PILKINGTON	6
BARBARA MANSHIP	2	ROBERT J. WARRILOW	7
*PATRICIA J. WALKER	3	DEREK OGDEN	8
†DONALD MALLOCH	4	DEREK TAYLOR	9
†GEORGE F. NIX	5	BARRIE HENDRY	*Tenor*

Composed by H. J. TUCKER. Conducted by DEREK OGDEN.
* First peal of Royal 'inside.' † First of Royal.

CROSTHWAITE, WESTMORLAND.
THE MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Sun., Nov. 1, 1959, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr.

DONALD FRASER	*Treble*	BARRY S. SHEPPARD	4
DAVID A. HOULT	2	DAVID W. JAMES	5
JOHN SOANES	3	RON J. JOHNSTON	*Tenor*

Conducted by DAVID W. JAMES.

TEN BELL PEALS

GRANTHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN BRANCH.
On Sat., Oct. 17, 1959, in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WULFRAM.
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL
No. 3 version. Tenor 32 cwt. 1 qr. 11 lb. in C sharp.

DONALD G. CLIFT	*Treble*	EDWIN A. BARNETT	6
NORAH M. BIBBY	2	GEORGE H. RANDLES	7
RUTH M. BORDER	3	GEORGE E. FEARN	8
A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL	4	JOHN FREEMAN	9
WALTER TOMLINSON	5	PETER BORDER	*Tenor*

Composed by C. K. LEWIS. Conducted by PETER BORDER.

BEVERLEY, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 24, 1959, in 3 Hours and 45½ Minutes,
AT THE MINSTER CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST.
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL
No. 3 version. Tenor 41 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb. in C.

BERNARD F. L. GROVES	*Treble*	JOHN WORTH	6
FRED DUNKERLEY	2	ROBERT B. SMITH	7
BASIL JONES	3	LESLIE BOUMPHREY	8
LESLIE W. G. MORRIS	4	BRIAN HARRIS	9
C. KENNETH LEWIS	5	EDWARD JENKINS	*Tenor*

Composed and Conducted by C. KENNETH LEWIS.
First peal in the method on the bells.

STRADBROKE, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Sun., Nov. 1, 1959, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL
Tenor 21 cwt. in E.

L. EDWARD ETHERIDGE	*Treble*	GEORGE H. RANDLES	6
NORAH M. BIBBY	2	DAVID VINCENT	7
ERNEST W. FURBANK	3	ERNEST WHITING	8
FREDERICK SEAGER	4	NOLAN GOLDEN	9
BERTRAM C. HINES	5	BERT GOGLE	*Tenor*

Arranged and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.
A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Etheridge, of Fressingfield, and rung on the Patronal Festival.

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Tues., Nov. 3, 1959, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 35 cwt. in C.

MAUREEN M. WOOLLEY	*Treble*	JOHN MCDONALD	6
*MURIEL REAY	2	GEORGE E. FEARN	7
RUTH M. BORDER	3	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE	8
*EDGAR C. SHEPHERD	4	JOHN A. ANDERSON	9
MICHAEL ELSON	5	PETER BORDER	*Tenor*

Composed by C. K. LEWIS. Conducted by PETER BORDER.
* First peal of London Royal.

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
On Thurs., Nov. 5, 1959, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes,
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP.
A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

MURIEL REAY	*Treble*	GEORGE E. FEARN	6
RUTH M. BORDER	2	TERRY R. HAMPTON	7
JOHN MCDONALD	3	NORMAN J. GOODMAN	8
JOHN PINFOLD	4	JOHN A. ANDERSON	9
BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE	5	PETER BORDER	*Tenor*

Composed by C. K. LEWIS. Conducted by PETER BORDER.

ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nov. 7, 1959, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.
A PEAL OF 5075 GRANDSIRE CATERS
Tenor 23 cwt.

RICHARD A. PORTER	*Treble*	HAROLD V. FROST	6
A. ROWLAND TYSOE	2	REGINALD W. DARVILL	7
THOMAS J. SOUTHAM	3	JOHN THWAITES	8
*KENNETH J. DARVILL	4	GEORGE W. DEBENHAM	9
JOYCE DODDS	5	ERIC EDMONDSON	*Tenor*

Composed by G. W. DEBENHAM (President of the Association).
Conducted by THOMAS J. SOUTHAM.
* First peal.
Rung for the Association's 75th anniversary.

WILLENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
On Sat., Nov. 7, 1959, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.
A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR
Tenor 16¼ cwt. in F sharp.

*†WILLIAM DAVIES	*Treble*	ERNEST STITCH	6
CHRISTOPHER WALLATER	2	FRANCIS BROTHERTON	7
*GEORGE W. HUGHES	3	†FREDERICK G. HANDLEY	8
‡DAVID W. BRUNNING	4	JAMES S. EASTWOOD	9
BARNABAS G. KEY	5	HOWARD HOWELL	*Tenor*

Composed by W. D. CROFT. Conducted by HOWARD HOWELL.
* 25th peal together. † 25th peal together. ‡ First of Treble Bob Royal.

SOUTHAMPTON.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Nov. 7, 1959, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.
A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB ROYAL
Tenor 16¼ cwt. in F.

JOHN R. FAITHFULL	*Treble*	*TOM CHAPMAN	6
*ADRIAN J. TUMBER	2	*REGINALD T. JONES	7
†MICHAEL V. WHITE	3	*MAURICE J. BUTLER	8
*JOHN HARTLESS	4	‡FREDK. W. ROGERS	9
‡MARGARET E. L. BEAMISH	5	R. ROGER SAVORY	*Tenor*

Composed and Conducted by R. ROGER SAVORY.
* First peal in the method. † First of Royal. ‡ First of Royal in the method. First in the method as conductor. First of Oxford T.B. Royal in the county, and for the Guild.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

NORTH WINGFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Oct. 16, 1959, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb. in E.

JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM	*Treble*	GEORGE H. PAULSON	5
J. FRANK SMALLWOOD	2	LEONARD GOODALL	6
*MALCOLM P. PHIPPS	3	†HERBERT E. TAYLOR	7
GEORGE E. HANCOCK	4	RICHARD E. PRICE	*Tenor*

Composed by J. NICHOLL. Conducted by JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM.
* First peal of Treble Bob Major. † 100th peal.

WARBOROUGH, OXON.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Wed., Oct. 21, 1959, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Heywood's transposition. Tenor 10 cwt.

FREDERICK SMITH	*Treble*	FRANK GODDEN	5
JANET MATTISON	2	JAMES BLOND	6
ALFRED GREENOUGH	3	ROBERT BLOND	7
JAMES GODMAN	4	REGINALD TUCKWELL	*Tenor*

Conducted by ROBERT BLOND.
A compliment to Mr. Percy Wilson as he enters his 50th year as organist and ringer at Warborough.

BILLINGBOROUGH, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD
On Sat., Oct. 24, 1959, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,
A PEAL OF 5000 LITTLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. in A flat.

HAROLD F. GIBSON	*Treble*	JOHN G. AMES	5
J. MARTIN THORLEY	2	STANLEY E. BENNETT	6
CHARLES MCGUINESS	3	C. HAROLD WHITTON	7
EDWIN T. CHAPMAN	4	JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM	*Tenor*

Composed and Conducted by JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Oct. 25, 1959, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN.
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Tenor 15½ cwt.

*MICHAEL H. PAULSON	*Treble*	GEORGE E. FEARN	5
HERBERT E. TAYLOR	2	RALPH G. EDWARDS	6
ARTHUR V. PEARSON	3	RONALD H. BULLEN	7
J. FRANK SMALLWOOD	4	A. PATRICK CANNON	*Tenor*

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.
* First peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major.

MANCHESTER, LANCASHIRE.
THE MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD.
On Wed., Oct. 29, 1959, in 3 Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP, HULME,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. in G.

DONALD MALLOCH	*Treble*	ROBERT J. WARRILOW	5
PATRICIA J. WALKER	2	*RON J. JOHNSTON	6
*BARRY S. SHEPPARD	3	BARRIE HENDRY	7
TREVOR TAYLOR	4	DAVID W. JAMES	*Tenor*

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by TREVOR TAYLOR.
* First peal of Major.

CRESSWELL, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb. in F sharp.

DENNIS A. SMEDLEY	*Treble*	JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM	5
*HAROLD WAGSTAFFE	2	ROGER BALDWIN	6
LEONARD GOODALL	3	HAROLD TAYLOR	7
MICHAEL BLORE	4	DENIS R. CARLISLE	*Tenor*

Composed and Conducted by ROGER BALDWIN.
* First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major. Dennis Smedley has now 'circled the tower.'
Rung on the eve of the Feast of All Saints.

DORE, SHEFFIELD.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Parker's Twelve-part (seventh observation). Tenor 11½ cwt.

JOHN W. SYKES	*Treble*	DENNIS HOLLAND	5
BARRY HOLLAND	2	WILLIAM HOLLAND	6
A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS	3	HERBERT E. TAYLOR	7
GEORGE H. PAULSON	4	RONALD BIRCH	*Tenor*

Conducted by HERBERT E. TAYLOR.
John W. Sykes has now 'circled the tower.'
Rung to mark the induction of the Rev. Frank Carless, B.D., in Rashcliffe Parish Church on October 30th.

FARINGDON, BERKSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Taylor's Six-part. Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb.

*MICHAEL EDNEY	*Treble*	*DENNIS LESLIE	5
ALFRED GREENOUGH	2	ROBERT B. BLOND	6
*MRS. DIANA WAREHAM	3	CLAUDE CORDEROY	7
*NORMAN LESLIE	4	HENRY BISHOP	*Tenor*

Arranged by CLAUDE CORDEROY. Conducted by ROBERT B. BLOND.
* First peal of Triples.
Rung on the eve of the Patronal Festival.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 3 Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,
A PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 12½ cwt.

FREDERICK SHALLCROSS	*Treble*	IVOR JENKINS	5
SIDNEY HOUGH, JUN.	2	NEIL D. LOMAS	6
*BRIAN SCHOFIELD	3	DENIS MOTTERSHEAD	7
CAROL FERNLEY	4	FRANK OSBALDISTON	*Tenor*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by DENIS MOTTERSHEAD.
* First peal in the method.
A wedding compliment to Mr. James Thomson and Miss Christine Mason, of Poynton, Cheshire.

HARTHILL, YORKSHIRE.
THE SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY
(Yorkshire Association.)
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL HALLOWS,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 18½ cwt.

SUSAN CHADDOCK	*Treble*	GEORGE S. LEE	5
IAN TILLING	2	*PHILIP WALKER	6
RAYMOND WOODWARD	3	JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK	7
MRS. M. BURNS	4	NORMAN CHADDOCK	*Tenor*

Composed by J. E. BURTON. Conducted by NORMAN CHADDOCK.
* First peal 'inside.'
A farewell to the Rev. A. J. Bishop, M.A., who is moving to Lincolnshire.

LEYTON, ESSEX.
THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,
A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in A flat.

ELIZABETH LAYTON	*Treble*	DAVID ROBINSON	5
E. JANE LANGTON	2	*GEOFFREY PRATT	6
MIKAELA ERIK	3	ANTHONY V. QUEEN	7
MICHAEL R. ROSE	4	DEREK E. SIBSON	*Tenor*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.
* First peal of Major. First in the method by all the band except the treble ringer.

MARDEN, KENT.
THE LADIES' GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 14¼ cwt.

ANN GEORGE	*Treble*	MARGARET A. LADD	5
KATHLEEN M. YEO	2	OLIVE D. COUCHMAN	6
VIOLET I. RELF	3	MRS. S. DOBBIE	7
MRS. I. WRATTEN	4	DORIS E. COLGATE	*Tenor*

Conducted by DORIS E. COLGATE.

NEWPORT, MONMOUTH.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On the eve of All Saints' Day, Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt.

GEOFFREY MARCHANT	*Treble*	*JOHN RICKARD	5
*MELVYN EDWARDS	2	GEOFFREY GREEN	6
JOHN F. JAMES	3	DAVID PIKE	7
LESLIE BAINHAM	4	PETER T. HURCOOMBE	*Tenor*

Composed by H. HUBBARD. Conducted by PETER T. HURCOOMBE.
* First peal of Major and first attempt.
Rung on the eve of the 61st anniversary of the dedication of the church.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In 12 methods, being 960 London, 960 Rutland, and 320 each of Bristol, Cambridge, Cray, Eastcote, Lincolnshire, New Gloucester, Pudsey, Superlative, Wembley and Yorkshire, with 139 changes of method.
Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F.

BASIL JONES	*Treble*	C. KENNETH LEWIS	5
BRIAN HARRIS	2	LESLIE BOUMPHREY	6
BERNARD F. L. GROVES	3	WILLIAM H. DOWSE	7
EDWARD JENKINS	4	ROBERT B. SMITH	*Tenor*

Composed by A. J. PITMAN. Conducted by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

NORTHFLEET, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 16½ cwt.

BERNARD V. COLLISON	*Treble*	ERNEST J. LADD	5
ARTHUR G. MASON	2	STANLEY JENNER	6
CYRIL S. JARRETT	3	*GEORGE J. BUTCHER	7
FREDERICK J. CULLUM	4	TREVOR A. CROSS	*Tenor*

Composed by CHAS. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by GEORGE J. BUTCHER.
* 350th peal.
An in memoriam peal for Richard A. Constant, a loyal friend of this tower.

NORTH MYMMS, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 13 cwt.

JOHN E. T. WISEMAN	*Treble*	†ROBERT F. GRISDALE	5
J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE	2	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY	6
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY	3	GEORGE A. SPENCER	7
*PETER J. COLES	4	THOMAS J. LOCK	*Tenor*

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by THOMAS J. LOCK.
* First peal in the method. † First peal.
Rung for the 75th anniversary of the Hertford County Association.

TURVEY, BEDFORDSHIRE.
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 19 cwt. in E.

GEORGE HAWKINS	*Treble*	STEPHEN IVIN	5
RONALD J. SHARP	2	ROBIN A. HODGSON	6
JAMES G. NEWMAN	3	C. MICHAEL ORME	7
ALFRED E. RUSHTON	4	GEORGE W. HOLLAND	*Tenor*

Composed by PATRICK I. CHAPMAN. Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.
Rung on the eve of the Patronal Festival, to welcome the new Rector, the Rev. B. E. Butler, M.A.

DARESBURY, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sun., Nov. 1, 1959, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb.

SYDNEY J. ANTHONY	*Treble*	CECIL RADDON	5
JOHN E. BIBBY	2	HAROLD WORRALL	6
ROY FOSTER	3	JOHN RYDER	7
HENRY PARKER	4	WALTER ALLMAN	*Tenor*

Composed by J. BARKER. Conducted by HAROLD WORRALL.
Rung to celebrate the founding of the church on November 1st, 1159, by Henry, Prior of Norton.

BUSHEY, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Nov. 5, 1959, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES-THE-APOSTLE,
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb. in F sharp.

JOHN E. ROOTES	*Treble*	ALICK CUTLER	5
FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW	2	VERNON GREEN	6
*ELSIE K. HART	3	GEOFFREY W. SEAMAN	7
H. GEORGE HART	4	*KENNETH R. DUNSTAN	*Tenor*

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by GEOFFREY W. SEAMAN.
* 25th peal together.

NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Nov. 5, 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,
A PEAL OF 5024 WATFORD SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt. 5 lb. in A flat.

JOHN E. ANDERSON	*Treble*	GEORGE S. DEAS	5
CHARLES N. LEA	2	EDMUND P. CROWDY	6
ERIC N. HARRISON	3	DENIS A. BAYLES	7
BRYAN PATTISON	4	J. ALAN AINSWORTH	*Tenor*

Composed by DENNIS KNOX. Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.
First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Association.

BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Nov. 6, 1959, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND LAWRENCE,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Tenor 14¼ cwt. in F.

JOSEPH SAXTON	*Treble*	HAROLD WAGSTAFFE	5
MRS. BESSIE HOLMES	2	DENNIS COOPER	6
LEONARD GOODALL	3	JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM	7
A. BENJAMIN COOPER	4	RICHARD E. PRICE	*Tenor*

Composed by SIR ARTHUR P. HEYWOOD.
Conducted by JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM.
First peal in the method as conductor.
In remembrance.

DORCHESTER, OXFORDSHIRE.
THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.
On Fri., Nov. 6, 1959, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.
AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,
A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 16 cwt. in E.

JEREMY A. M. SALTER	*Treble*	COLIN J. B. TAYLOR	5
*ANDREW N. STUBBS	2	*ROBIN J. ELLIOTT	6
JEAN M. ADDICOTT	3	*DAVID T. DARBY	7
JOHN G. PUSEY	4	JAMES H. PAILING	*Tenor*

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN. Conducted by JAMES H. PAILING.
* First peal of Bristol.

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DRIGHLINGTON, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nov. 7, 1959, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL.
A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In seven methods, being 960 London, 928 Watford, 896 Bristol, 672 Cambridge, 640 Superlative, 608 Dorchester and 576 Pudsey, with 125 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell.
Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

*SAM LONGBOTTOM	*Treble*	†WILLIAM BARTON	5
†M. VIVIEN COPPING	2	GORDON BENFIELD	6
‡PHILIP J. H. HUDSON	3	LESLIE W. G. MORRIS	7
ALEXANDER E. MARSH	4	*VERNON BOTTOMLEY	*Tenor*

Composed by A. J. PITMAN. Conducted by LESLIE W. G. MORRIS.
* 50th peal together. † First of Spliced in seven methods. ‡ First of Spliced.

GREAT HOLLAND, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nov. 7, 1959, in 3 Hours.
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.
A PEAL OF 5120 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt.

ROBERT E. LESTER	*Treble*	*JOHN L. GIRT	5
URBAN W. WILDNEY	2	FRANK B. LUFKIN	6
EDWARD E. DAVEY	3	BERNARD W. FAIRHEAD	7
JOHN WARNER	4	ALAN R. SYDER	*Tenor*

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS. Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.
* First peal of Double Norwich.
Rung as a compliment to John L. Girt and Shirley Hill on their engagement.

SIX BELL PEALS

CRESWELL, DERBYSHIRE.
THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 17, 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of St. Clement's College Bob, two extents of Kent Treble Bob and four extents of Plain Bob.
Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb. in F sharp.

FREDERICK A. ADAMS	*Treble*	DENNIS A. SMEDLEY	4
S. LESLIE BARLOW	2	DENNIS COOPER	5
*MALCOLM P. PHIPPS	3	JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM	*Tenor*

Conducted by JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM.
* First peal in three methods.

WARSOP, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 17, 1959, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents. Tenor 14¼ cwt.

JAMES T. ROOKE	*Treble*	HERBERT T. ROOKE	4
*MALCOLM FOSTER (13)	2	ARTHUR B. COOPER	5
MRS. BESSIE HOLMES	3	DOUGLAS H. ROOKE	*Tenor*

Conducted by DOUGLAS H. ROOKE.
* First peal at first attempt.

YASS, NEW SOUTH WALES.
THE ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL, MELBOURNE, SOCIETY
AND
THE ST. CLEMENT'S ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 17, 1959, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT.
A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR
Being five callings. Tenor 7 cwt. in A.

GEORGE W. PIPE	*Treble*	MRS. GEO. W. PIPE	4
BARBARA J. BEESON	2	PETER G. RICHARDS	5
KENNETH J. MINCHINTON	3	JOHN J. F. ROPER	*Tenor*

Conducted by GEORGE W. PIPE.
First peal for all in New South Wales, and first of Kent Minor outside Victoria.
A 'Great Adventure' anniversary peal.

HOLME HALE, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sun., Oct. 24, 1959, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents. Tenor 14 cwt. in E.

GEORGE W. HEYHOE	*Treble*	*WILLIAM J. BAILEY	4
FRIEDA A. FROST	2	TONY OWEN	5
ROBERT BUTTON	3	SAMUEL H. WATERFIELD	*Tenor*

Conducted by TONY OWEN.
* First peal.
Rung half-muffled in memoriam Cecil V. Ebberson.

BRENTFORD, MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thurs., Oct. 29, 1959, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents in six methods, viz.: (1) Plain Bob, (2) Cambridge, (3) and (4) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (5) Kent T.B., (6) Oxford T.B. and (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in G.

MARGARET A. WESTCOTT	*Treble*	DR. D. J. NEAL SMITH	4
CHRISTOPHER M. BLOOMER	2	ROBIN G. LEALE	5
REGINALD GOODMAN	3	BARWELL B. DIBBEN	*Tenor*

Conducted by ROBIN G. LEALE.

ASHBOCKING, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
On Fri., Oct. 30, 1959, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being extents of Double Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob.
Tenor 10 cwt. 21 lb.

*URBAN W. WILDNEY	*Treble*	ROBERT E. LESTER	4
†HUBERT A. MITSON	2	‡JOHN L. GIRT	5
ROGER K. WHITTELL	3	RONALD W. STEWARD	*Tenor*

Conducted by URBAN W. WILDNEY.
* Twice 'circled the tower.' † First peal in seven methods. ‡ First in seven methods 'inside.'

BRAMPTON ASH, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Fri., Oct. 30, 1959, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
Being two extents each of Beverley and Surfleet, and three extents of Cambridge. Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 2 lb. in G.

ARTHUR GIBBS	*Treble*	DIANA M. LAWLESS	4
SHELAGH R. COLLINS	2	MURRAY A. COLEMAN	5
ALAN J. FROST	3	PATRICK I. CHAPMAN	*Tenor*

Conducted by ALAN J. FROST.

SILVERDALE, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 30, 1959, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Single Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb.

CHARLES A. S. WEBB	*Treble*	*NORMAN SHERRATT	4
*K. PETER JONES	2	*WALTER SHERRATT	5
†PHILIP A. MASON	3	GEOFFREY DAVIES	*Tenor*

Conducted by GEOFFREY DAVIES.
* First peal in seven methods. † First peal. First as conductor.
A birthday compliment to the conductor's father.

BAWTRY, YORKSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being two extents each of Single Court and Single Oxford, and three extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt. 14 lb. in F sharp.

*ANN GODLEY	*Treble*	*FRANK WATKINSON	4
FREDERICK J. JACKSON	2	ALEC WILSON	5
VALERIE WATERFIELD	3	RICHARD HOBBS	*Tenor*

Conducted by RICHARD HOBBS.
* First peal in three methods. The ringer of the second has now 'circled the tower.'

BRAMHAM, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Oxford, Kent, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, and three differently-called extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

KENNETH B. SISSONS	*Treble*	ALAN EVANS	4
*HOWARD SANDHAM	2	ALAN SHEPPARD	5
MRS. J. R. RENDER	3	JOHN POTTS	*Tenor*

Conducted by JOHN POTTS.
* First peal. First as conductor on tower bells.
Rung for the Patronal Festival, and for the 25th anniversary of the rehanging of the bells.

CRAMLINGTON, NORTHUMBERLAND.
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of London Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Single Oxford, St. Clement's, Thelwall and Plain Bob.
Tenor 19 cwt. 46 lb. in E.

NORMAN ERRINGTON	*Treble*	KENNETH W. CHEESEMAN	4
GEORGE S. DEAS	2	BRYAN PATTISON	5
KENNETH ARTHUR	3	J. ALAN AINSWORTH	*Tenor*

Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

CROMHALL, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob.
Tenor 12 cwt. 63 lb. in G.

*JANE K. A. COOK	*Treble*	*JOHN C. BALDWIN	4
ANGELA GRAINGER	2	DAVID HEIGHTON	5
*ANTHONY BENNETT	3	*ROYSTON BLACKLER	*Tenor*

Conducted by ROYSTON BLACKLER.
* First peal of Minor in three methods. First as conductor.

EASTNOR, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents: five each of Plain Bob, April Day, Reverse Canterbury, six each of Reverse Bartholomew, New Grandsire, and 15 of Grandsire.
Tenor 9 cwt.

WILLIAM E. SPIERS	*Treble*	CHARLES PHILLIPS	4
JOY SMITH	2	RICHARD G. CHEW	5
REGINALD G. POWELL	3	MICHAEL V. POWELL	*Tenor*

Conducted by REGINALD G. POWELL.
First peal in six methods by all the band.
Rung to welcome the new Vicar (Rev. R. C. Moore) and his wife.

ELSTREE, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,
A PEAL OF 5040 NORWICH SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven different extents.
Tenor 6¼ cwt.

KENNETH R. DUNSTAN	*Treble*	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW	4
ELSIE K. HART	2	GEOFFREY W. SEAMAN	5
H. GEORGE HART	3	CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY	*Tenor*

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY.
First peal in the method by all the band except the treble ringer.
Rung in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the founding of the Association.

EWELME, OXON.
THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Comprising two extents of Plain Bob, one of Cambridge and four more of Plain Bob (six callings).
Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lb.

JEAN M. ADDICOTT	*Treble*	ANDREW N. STUBBS	4
*NICHOLAS J. MARTIN	2	ROBIN J. ELLIOTT	5
JOHN G. PUSEY	3	DAVID T. DARBY	*Tenor*

Conducted by ROBIN J. ELLIOTT.
* First peal of Minor, on six bells, and in more than one method. First of Minor as conductor.

HARSTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.
Tenor 9½ cwt.

*G. MAURICE TURNER	*Treble*	GEORGE E. CRISP	4
GEOFFREY A. LUCAS	2	DONALD F. MURFET	5
CHARLES W. COOK	3	MANSFIELD GINN	*Tenor*

Conducted by MANSFIELD GINN.
* First peal.
Rung on the eve of and for the Patronal Festival.

KNUTSFORD, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two 720's Oxford T.B., two 720's Kent T.B. and three 720's Plain Bob.
Tenor 12 cwt.

HENRY PARKER	*Treble*	NORMAN HOUGH	4
*CHRISTOPHER JONES	2	REGINALD W. WORRALL	5
†ARTHUR CRUMP	3	HARRY W. HOWARD	*Tenor*

Conducted by HENRY PARKER.
* First peal 'inside' and in three methods. † First peal.

STOKE-ON-TERN, SHROPSHIRE.
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1959, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Consisting of seven 720's.
Tenor 8 cwt.

ELIZABETH ROBERTS	*Treble*	WILLIAM TALBOT	4
ERIC YOUNG	2	HAROLD ROBERTS	5
ALBERT LAWTON	3	G. A. MOORE	*Tenor*

Conducted by G. A. MOORE.
First peal in the method by all except conductor.
A 21st birthday compliment to Doreen Ann Young.

OXFORD
THE OXFORD SOCIETY.
On Tues., Nov. 3, 1959, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS-THE-MARTYR,
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being five callings.
Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr.

ANDREW N. STUBBS	*Treble*	*MARTIN B. FISHER	4
*EDWARD VENN	2	†JAMES H. PAILING	5
JEAN M. ADDICOTT	3	*NIGEL J. MAGGS	*Tenor*

Conducted by JAMES H. PAILING.
* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor. † 100th peal, and 25th as conductor.

HELMDON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD
On Wed., Nov. 4, 1959, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being three extents Kent T.B. and four of Plain Bob, each called differently.
Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.

CECIL HINTON	*Treble*	MONTAGUE SAUNDERS	4
BARRY SAUNDERS	2	J. GEORGE SHELLARD	5
WILLIAM J. CHESTER	3	WILLIAM A. YATES	*Tenor*

Conducted by WILLIAM A. YATES.
Rung for the first birthday of Roger Jonathan Shellard.

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PUBLOW, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thurs., Nov. 5, 1959, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of College Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's College, Double Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 21 cwt. 16 lb.

REGINALD G. HOOPER	*Treble*	PATRICK J. BIRD	4
*BRYNLEY A. SHACKLETON	2	DAVID HEIGHTON	5
*D. JOHN HUNT	3	F. CECIL MOGFORD	*Tenor*

Conducted by DAVID HEIGHTON.

* First peal in seven methods.
Rung for the Festival of All Saints.

BRASTED, KENT.
THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.
On Sat., Nov. 7, 1959, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.
A PEAL OF 5040 SURFLEET SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb. in F sharp.

ALAN G. SPREADBURY	*Treble*	MICHAEL R. ROSE	4
JUDITH K. ESSEN	2	DEREK E. SIBSON	5
MIKAELA ERIK	3	ANTHONY V. QUEEN	*Tenor*

Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Society.
A 21st birthday compliment to Marilyn March.

BRISTOL.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nov. 7, 1959, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,
AT THE LORD MAYOR'S CHAPEL OF ST. MARK,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of Double Oxford Bob, two extents of St. Clement's College and four extents of Plain Bob (rung alternately).
Tenor 12 cwt. in F.

JOHN C. BALDWIN	*Treble*	ROYSTON BLACKLER	4
ELISABETH A. G. BOWDEN	2	DAVID HEIGHTON	5
JANE K. A. COOK	3	JOHN H. GILBERT	*Tenor*

Conducted by JOHN H. GILBERT.

First peal of Minor as conductor.
A coming-of-age compliment to Miss Mary H. Hall.

BRISTOL.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nov. 7, 1959, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL-ON-THE-MOUNT, WITHOUT,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being three extents of Kent Treble Bob and four of Plain Bob.
Tenor 14½ cwt. in F.

BERYL W. ABBOTT	*Treble*	*ELISABETH A. G. BOWDEN	4
ROYSTON BLACKLER	2	ANGELA GRAINGER	5
DAVID HEIGHTON	3	JOHN H. GILBERT	*Tenor*

Conducted by DAVID HEIGHTON.

* 75th peal.

DEAL, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nov. 7, 1959, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD.
A PEAL OF 5040 IPSWICH SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven different extents, with all 5-6's at backstroke.
Tenor 9¼ cwt. in G.

*RALPH BIRD	*Treble*	†ANDREW M. MACVE	4
*TREVOR A. CROSS	2	*IAN H. ORAM	5
*CRAWFORD T. HILLIS	3	‡THOMAS CULLINGWORTH	*Tenor*

Conducted by IAN H. ORAM.

* First peal in the method. † First of Surprise 'inside.' ‡ First of Minor in the method.

GREAT MONGEHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nov. 7, 1959, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being an extent each of Double Court, Kent and Oxford T.B., Cambridge Surprise, Single Oxford, Double Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 2 lb. in A flat.

ANDREW M. MACVE	*Treble*	CRAWFORD T. HILLIS	4
TREVOR A. CROSS	2	RALPH BIRD	5
THOMAS CULLINGWORTH	3	IAN H. ORAM	*Tenor*

Conducted by RALPH BIRD.

SILKSTONE, BARNSLEY.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(Barnsley and District Society.)
On Sat., Nov. 7, 1959, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being an extent each of Bob Minor, London Scholars', Sandal, Kingston, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford.
Tenor 12 cwt.

IRVINE CROSSLAND	*Treble*	ERIC STAINROD	4
HERMAN RUSBY	2	NOEL F. MOXON	5
TREVOR TARBATT	3	*HARRY MANN	*Tenor*

Conducted by NOEL F. MOXON.

* First peal in seven methods.
Rung to mark the golden jubilee of the Society.

NEATH, GLAMORGAN.
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nov. 7, 1959, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt. 2 lb.

*DONALD WYATT	*Treble*	EDMUND J. MORRIS	4
HARRY BOYCE	2	†GWYN I. LEWIS	5
*HAZEL WAY	3	DEREK G. ASTRIDGE	*Tenor*

Conducted by DEREK G. ASTRIDGE.

* First peal of Minor. † 105th peal for the Association. First of Minor as conductor.

SWINDON, WILTSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., Nov. 7, 1959, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, RODBOURNE CHENEY,
A PEAL OF 5040 ROSSENDALE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven different extents, with 5-6 the right way throughout.
Tenor 8 cwt. 7 lb.

ERIC SUTTON	*Treble*	WALTER H. TRUEMAN	4
VICTOR GRIFFIN	2	*ANTHONY R. PEAKE	5
RONALD A. WRIGHT	3	BRIAN BLADON	*Tenor*

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

* 25th peal of Surprise. First in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.
Rung to welcome the Rev. R. G. Bryant to Christ Church, Swindon.

BUCKLAND, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., Nov. 9, 1959, in 2 Hours and 17 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in seven methods, viz.: (1) Double Bob and Plain Bob, (2) St. Clement's, (3) Double Oxford, (4) Cambridge, (5) Kent T.B., (6) Oxford T.B. and (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt. in B.

MARGARET A. WESTCOTT	*Treble*	A. PATRICK CANNON	4
ROBIN G. LEALE	2	*DR. D. J. NEAL SMITH	5
*GILLIAN NEAL SMITH	3	JOHN D. ROCK	*Tenor*

Conducted by ROBIN G. LEALE.

* Tenth peal together.
Rung as a compliment to the new Rector (Rev. M. M. Barlow, M.A.), four of the ringers being from his former parish of Richmond.

HANDBELL PEALS

HINCKLEY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Hinckley District.)
On Wed., Oct. 28, 1959, in 2 Hours,
AT 128, LEICESTER ROAD,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor size 15 in C.

GRAHAM T. BALL	1—2	ALFRED BALLARD	5—6
JOHN VERNON	3—4	MICHAEL VERNON	7—8

Composed by E. M. ATKINS. Conducted by MICHAEL VERNON.

CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.
On Fri., Nov. 6, 1959, in 1 Hour and 54 Minutes,
AT 29, FOREST DRIVE,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Tenor size 14 in E.

*DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS	1—2	MARTIN J. HARBORD	3—4
		†HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE	5—6

Conducted by HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE.

* First peal 'double-handed.' † First peal 'in hand.'

ABBOTSBURY, DORSET.—On Nov. 2nd, 1,440 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): M. W. Ford 1, G. J. W. Abbott 2, J. W. Rose 3, Betty J. Marsh 4, H. J. Ford (cond.) 5, D. J. Wood 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam the Earl of Ilchester, interred this day at Melbury.

ASTBURY, CHESHIRE.—On Nov. 8th, 1,272 Minor (Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob): J. Riley 1, Mrs. R. Worrall 2, V. Stonier 3, B. Corbishley (cond.) 4, R. Cartlidge 5, R. Worrall 6. For Remembrance Sunday by the Sunday service band.

BLO-NORTON, NORFOLK.—On Nov. 7th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Mrs. A. Foreman 1, Mrs. H. Ivings 2, H. Ivings 3, R. Foreman 4, J. E. Ivings (cond.) 5, A. Foreman 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Stanley J. Nunn, a ringer at this church.

BLUNSDON, WILTS.—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. G. Swain 1, J. Vincent 2, B. S. Sheppard 3, Mrs. A. Peake (first of Minor) 4, W. H. Trueman 5, A. R. Peake (cond.) 6. Rung as a farewell to B. S. Sheppard, who has left for Manchester University.

BOYNE HILL, BERKS.—On Nov. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Susan Challis (first quarter) 1, Kathleen North 2, G. Gibbs (first of Triples 'inside') 3, D. Farthing (first of Triples) 4, R. Blewitt (first of Triples) 5, G. Lister 6, E. Gosling (cond.) 7, D. Young (first quarter) 8. Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday by the Sunday service band.

BRAY, BERKS.—On Nov. 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Livingston 1, Wenda R. Harris 2, Joan Davey 3, Sylvia Woods 4, R. Blewitt 5, Doreen Hague (cond.) 6, Janet Adamson 7, J. Norsworthy 8. First quarter for 2, 3, 4 and 5. For Confirmation service.

BRISTOL.—At the Cathedral, on Nov. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. J. Hobbs (first of Triples) 1, Mrs. E. A. G. Bowden 2, Gillian M. Hussey (first of Grandsire Triples 'inside') 3, R. J. Bowden 4, J. Goodenough (first of Triples) 5, C. J. Richards (first of Triples 'inside') 6, D. J. Hunt (cond.) 7, H. N. Evans (first of Triples) 8. For All Saints' Day.

BRISTOL.—At the Church of St. John, on Nov. 9th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: M. J. Hobbs 1, Gillian M. Hussey 2, Gloria M. Newton 3, S. J. Burrage 4, C. J. Richards 5, A. W. Gibbs (cond.) 6. First of Minor for 1, 2 and 5.

BURSTOW, SURREY.—On Nov. 8th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Grandsire and Canterbury): T. Padbury 1, L. W. Penfold 2, P. M. Booer 3, C. Charlton 4, A. J. Bull (cond.) 5, H. H. Padbury 6. Rung for Armistice service, also in memoriam F. Harman (74), Burstow; W. Wallis (94), Horley; and G. F. Hoad (82), Reigate.

CANTERBURY, KENT.—At the Cathedral, on Nov. 7th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: B. J. Luck 1, Mrs. D. A. Chapman 2, H. R. French 3, W. F. Jenkins 4, J. W. Unwin 5, T. C. Phillimore 6, D. C. Chatfield 7, T. H. Holmes (cond.) 8, R. G. French 9, D. M. Holness 10. Rung half-muffled in memory of Michael John Holness, died Nov. 3rd, member of the above company, interred this day. Also at S. Dunstan's Church, on Nov. 8th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: T. Austen 1, Mrs. G. Stockbridge 2, T. C. Phillimore 3, J. Stockbridge 4, E. Bruger 5, D. C. Chatfield (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.

CHESHUNT, HERTS.—On Nov. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (4, 6, 8 covering): Miss B. Nicholls 1, Miss C. M. Farrington 2, E. Pickett 3, D. E. Sayer (first quarter) 4, W. J. Newnham 5, H. B. Makins 6, R. Durrant (cond.) 7, D. S. Billimore 8. Half-muffled for Remembrance Day Evensong.

CLEATOR MOOR, CUMBERLAND.—On Oct. 4th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Miss A. Doloughan 1, H. N. Tembey 2, Miss V. Bell 3, Miss E. Birney 4, G. Tembey 5, C. Kirkby 6, G. E. Browne (cond.) 7, H. Borrowdale 8. Rung on the middle six, half-muffled, in memoriam Miss S. Noble, for many years a member of the local band.

CLIFTON, BEDS.—On Oct. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Mayes 1, Sheila Percival 2, Jill Mayes 3, J. Church 4, D. Newis 5, J. Hulme 6, P. Tompkins (cond.) 7, T. Dilley 8. For the induction of the Rev. Ernest Hall.

COMPTON DANDO, SOMERSET.—On Nov. 2nd, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): C. Harvey 1, Mrs. A. J. Frith 2, R. W. Treasure 3, C. Allward 4, F. C. Mogford (cond.) 5, L. B. Cole 6. First in two methods for 1, 2 and 4. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. L. Bailey.

QUARTER PEALS

COWBRIDGE, GLAM.—On Nov. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: I. Paton 1, H. Blick 2, M. Williams 3, A. Thomas 4, R. E. Coles (cond.) 5, E. Carter 6, I. D. Davies 7, L. Groom 8. Rung half-muffled and with 6 and 7 covering, for Evensong on Remembrance Sunday.

CROYDON, SURREY.—On Nov. 1st, at the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: E. W. Razzell 1, F. E. Mitchell 2, Miss H. Talbot (first of Major) 3, N. S. Bagworth 4, G. F. Cartwright (first of Major) 5, R. G. Abbott 6, N. G. Steere 7, F. E. Collins (cond.) 8.

ETWALL, DERBYS.—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: G. Munton 1, Deborah Wilson 2, Noreen Wickham 3, Rosamund Bull 4, J. Murfin (cond.) 5, F. G. Murfin 6. For Evensong.

EUSTON, SUFFOLK.—On Nov. 6th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: H. Ivings 1, Mrs. H. Ivings 2, Miss D. Reeve 3, A. Higginbottom 4, J. E. Ivings (first as cond.) 5. Rung half-mffled as a token of respect to Stanley J. Nunn.

GREAT WYMONDLEY, HERTS.—On June 7th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Jean Croft 1, L. Runnacles 2, C. Cherry 3, J. Church 4, P. W. Croft 5, F. W. Croft (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also on June 21st, 1,320 Hull Surprise Minor: Jean Croft 1, G. Cherry 2, S. H. Ashton 3, L. Runnacles 4, F. W. Croft (cond.) 5, P. W. Croft 6. For Evensong. Also on Oct. 11th, 1,272 Norwich Surprise Minor: Miss J. Croft 1, M. Chalkley (first 'inside') 2, G. Cherry 3, L. Runnacles 4, F. Croft (cond.) 5, P. Croft 6. For harvest festival Evensong.

HECKINGTON, LINCS.—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: R. Asher 1, P. Fenney (first 'inside') 2, D. Brown 3, R. Trevitt 4, E. Cole 5, J. Ward 6, R. Pocklington (cond.) 7, C. Asher 8. For All Saints' Day Evensong.

HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.—On July 5th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: A. Clutton 1, S. M. Bailey 2, Margaret Tilbury 3, Sheila Wallace 4, Derek Francis 5, Dennis Knox (cond.) 6, P. J. Evans 7, G. Harrison 8, C. Harrison 9, W. Plumridge 10. Also on Nov. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. J. Edwards (first quarter) 1, Margaret Tilbury 2, Sheila Wallace 3, D. Francis 4, P. J. Evans 5, D. Knox 6, S. M. Bailey (cond.) 7, G. Harrison 8. For All Saints' Day.

HURST, BERKS.—On Oct. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. W. Blackwood (first quarter) 1, Mollie Tilbury 2, Gill Brown 3, Jennifer M. Davies 4, Janet K. Secker 5, J. P. Blond (cond.) 6, P. M. Wilkinson 7, Patricia Heather 8. Rung by the Reading University Society ringers.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLX.—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Davies (first quarter) 1, Mrs. O. L. Rogers 2, Miss J. Creak 3, Mrs. K. F. Parr 4, C. H. Rogers 5, S. J. Way 6, H. W. Rogers (cond.) 7, Miss B. Humphrey 8. A farewell to the treble ringer, who is returning home to Wales after three years' training at the West Middlesex Hospital.

LIVERPOOL.—On Oct. 31st, at the Church of St. Nicholas, 1,309 Stedman Cinques: A. D. Barket 1, J. N. Brown 2, A. Tomlinson 3, T. R. Butler 4, A. P. Sandford 5, F. E. Hawthorne 6, C. Harrison 7, E. L. Humphriss 8, R. C. Ingram 9, E. C. Birkett 10, P. Staniforth (cond.) 11, J. Worth 12. Also 1,248 Kent Treble Bob Maximus: A. Tomlinson 1, P. Staniforth 2, T. R. Butler 3, R. C. Ingram 4, A. P. Sandford (first of Maximus) 5, F. E. Hawthorne 6, E. L. Humphriss 7, A. Barker 8, C. Harrison 9, J. Brown 10, E. C. Birkett 11, J. Worth (cond.) 12. Rung after meeting for peal, the start of which was delayed for a wedding ceremony and did not leave sufficient time. All the ringers are Masons.

NAILSEA, SOMERSET.—On Nov. 3rd, 1,260 Doubles (Morris's, Plain Bob and Grandsire): H. Hardwidge 1, T. Phillips 2, L. Derrick (cond.) 3, P. Blake 4, Mary Powell 5, Olwen Quint (first quarter, aged 13) 6.

PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.—On Nov. 8th, at the Church of St. John, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Goakes 1, S. Wright 2, W. Barker 3, R. Patrick 4, F. Boyall 5, G. Bush 6, J. Bluff (cond.) 7, L. Hardman 8. To mark the retirement of the Archdeacon of Northampton (the Ven. C. H. Grimes), who until 1956 was president of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.—On Nov. 8th, at the Church of St. Andrew, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss Y. C. Porter 1, F. E. Day 2, H. W. Milford 3, W. G. Lavers 4, A. W. Myers 5, D. F. Wheeler 6, T. G. Myers (cond.) 7, H. F. Myers 8. For Remembrance Day Evensong.

RADSTOCK, SOMERSET.—On Oct. 28th, 1,332 Single Oxford Bob Minor: Miss H. Young 1, D. Hoare (cond.) 2, R. Thatcher 3, D. Eades 4, J. Holbrook 5, F. Carter 6. A 21st birthday compliment to R. Thatcher.

REIGATE, SURREY.—On Nov. 8th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: Joan Hanning 1, E. G. L. Coward 2, E. G. Talbot 3, G. Oliver 4, Ruth M. Foreman 5, A. T. Shelton 6, A. J. Bull 7, W. H. Inwood 8, J. H. Euston (cond.) 9, K. Game (first quarter) 10. In memoriam George Frederick Hoad.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.—On Nov. 1st, at the Cathedral, 1,260 Stedman Triples: G. Penney 1, Miss P. Doorn 2, G. Dodds 3, B. A. Cornell 4, W. Little 5, R. F. Ewer 6, W. J. Arnold (cond.) 7, J. McClemahan (first quarter) 8.

ST. IPPOLYTS, HERTS.—On Oct. 4th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Miss J. Harris 1, A. Harris 2, G. Cherry 3, L. Runnacles 4, M. Chalkley 5, F. W. Croft (cond.) 6. For harvest festival Evensong.

SKETTY, SWANSEA.—On Nov. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss P. Whitworth 1, D. J. Williams 2, Miss H. Way 3, G. Francis 4, H. Dobbins 5, B. Gladwin 6, D. Astridge (cond.) 7, B. Couzens 8. First of Triples for 3, 4 and 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mrs. William Dobbins and for Remembrance Sunday.

SOMERBY, LEICS.—On Nov. 3rd, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bob, Canterbury and Grandsire): C. Tyler 1, M. Stimson 2, J. Webb 3, R. Tyler 4, G. Cooper (cond.) 5. For the patronal festival and a thanksgiving for the annual gift day; also a birthday compliment to Mr. H. Kenney.

SOUTHAMPTON.—At St. Mary's Church, on Oct. 29th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: Miss M. A. Green 1, Mrs. J. M. Kippin 2, J. W. Faithfull 3, O. N. Curtis 4, J. R. Faithfull 5, Miss M. E. L. Beamish 6, D. C. Jackson 7, M. J. Thomas 8, R. R. Savory (cond.) 9, I. Chapman 10. For the dedication service of the 'Seamen's Window' by the Bishop of Winchester.

STEBBING, ESSEX.—On Nov. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. C. Rolfe 1, W. Chapman 2, F. Harrington 3, G. Harrington 4, P. Wood 5, A. Little (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled for Remembrance service.

STEPNEY, E.—At St. Dunstan and All Saints' Church, on Nov. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Hazel Weedon 1, Elizabeth Stevinson 2, H. Knauss 3, L. Fox (cond.) 4, H. Weedon 5, P. Tarling 6. First quarter for 1, 2 and 6 at first attempt. For patronal festival.

SWINDON, WILTS.—On Nov. 8th, at St. Mark's Church, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. Sutton 1, Miss M. Wright 2, M. Stanley 3, T. R. Collins 4, P. Minchin 5, G. Wells 6, A. T. Collins (cond.) 7, E. Vincent 8. Rung half-muffled before Evensong on Remembrance Sunday.

WENTWORTH, YORKS.—On Nov. 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. R. Meadows 1, M. King 2, P. C. Thompson 3, R. Woodward 4, I. Tilling 5, D. G. French (cond.) 6. Rung as a token of gratitude to all who subscribed so generously towards the bell repair fund.

WEST HAM, E.—On Oct. 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Mrs. P. Salisbury 1, Miss J. Peacock 2, S. Penfold 3, J. Carrott 4, M. N. Bland 5, D. M. Salisbury 6, J. McPhail 7, A. Gargrave 8, T. East 9, F. V. Gant (cond.) 10. Rung as a wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. Reeve, ringing members of this tower.

WIMBLEDON, SURREY.—On Nov. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Caroline Carpenter 1, Susan Rawlings 2, A. Bishop 3, Anne Garnett 4, A. Bagworth (cond.) 5, Mary Price 6.

WORMINGFORD, ESSEX.—On Nov. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Mary Perkins 1, Meriel Bloyce 2, E. Leggett (cond.) 3, D. Culham 4, B. Gibbons 5, J. Leggett 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam a former ringer of this church, interred this day.

WRAXALL, SOMERSET.—On Nov. 1st, 1,316 Grandsire Triples: T. Hims 1, E. F. Shearn 2, J. Yeates 3, M. Clark 4, P. J. Gardner 5, J. Evered 6, R. Cole (cond.) 7, N. Bull 8. For patronal festival.

BALDOCK, HERTS.—On Nov. 8th, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: W. Collins 1, R. Castledine 2, P. Salisbury 3, D. Salisbury (first of Yorkshire 'inside') 4, L. Scoot 5, C. Harwood 6, E. Buck 7, J. Dear (cond.) 8. For Remembrance Sunday.

BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICS.—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): J. C. Lowe 1, B. S. Payne (cond.) 2, G. B. Lowe 3, K. Graham 4, F. K. Thompson 5, J. R. Perkins 6. For the festival of All Saints' Evensong.

BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss S. Bradder (first on eight) 1, B. E. Matthews 2, R. A. Brown 3, G. R. Crisp 4, H. Wood 5, G. Francis 6, W. L. Weller (cond.) 7, G. Rix (first on eight) 8. First quarter since the re-casting of the 4th bell. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mr. J. Newnham. Also on Oct. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss S. Bradder 1, G. Rix (first 'inside') 2, H. Wood 3, R. A. Brown 4, G. R. Crisp 5, W. L. Weller 6, B. E. Matthews (first of Triples as cond.) 7, H. Botting (first on eight) 8. For Confirmation service.

BRENTWOOD, ESSEX.—On Nov. 8th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Miss E. Pryke 1, Miss A. Lowings 2, J. Carrott 3, J. Sitch 4, A. Pryke 5, A. Gargrave 6, M. Bland 7, F. V. Gant (cond.) 8. For Remembrance Sunday.

EDENBRIDGE, KENT.—On Oct. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): E. C. F. Rogers 1, E. C. Leigh 2, E. J. Jenner 3, B. E. Jeffrey (cond.) 4, S. Jenner 5, Miss A. George 6, W. A. Leigh 7, L. J. Fox 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam P. J. Cherry.

GREASLEY, NOTTS.—On Nov. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. D. Pedley 1, A. Minkley 2, Mary Beach 3, J. W. Tyler 4, D. J. Beach (first as cond.) 5, C. W. Hodgkinson 6. First quarter for 1, 2, 4 and 6.

HAVERING-ATTE-BOWER, ESSEX.—On Nov. 8th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss J. Peacock 1, J. Carrott 2, M. Bland 3, F. V. Gant (cond.) 4, T. East 5, A. Gargrave 6. Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Day.

QUARTER PEALS

HEPTONSTALL, YORKS.—On Oct. 31st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss B. G. Schofield 1, Miss R. M. Jowett (first of Stedman) 2, J. H. Fielden 3, W. G. Wilson (first of Stedman) 4, D. Butterworth 5, P. J. H. Hudson 6, I. Kay (cond.) 7, P. Scholfield 8.

HIGHER WALTON, LANCS.—On Nov. 6th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: C. Crossthwaite (cond.) 1, Maryl R. Crossthwaite 2, Margaret Crossthwaite 3, Betty Faunch 4, L. Walmsley 5, F. Stead 6, A. Gardner 7, W. J. Couperthwaite 8. First of Major for 2, 3, 4 and 8. Rung in memoriam E. Roger Martin.

HINTON BLEWITT, SOMERSET.—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: F. H. Andrews 1, Alma Greaves 2, Mary Funnell 3, D. J. Purnell (cond.) 4, R. J. Gay 5. Rung as a farewell gift to the Rev. A. F. Minnitt on his retirement.

HITCHAM, BUCKS.—On Nov. 7th, 1,260 Minor (Single Oxford and Plain Bob): D. C. Bowen 1, Christine Pullin 2, C. C. Clarke 3, R. K. Russ 4, P. D. Warren 5, H. Oglesby (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled. Also on Nov. 8th, 1,260 Doubles (Southrepps, Clifford Pleasure, April Day, Reverse Canterbury, Grandsire and Plain Bob): Jennifer Sceeny 1, Mary F. Carr 2, T. Evans 3, H. Oglesby (cond.) 4, G. J. Berry 5, Ann Sear (first attempt) 6. Rung half-muffled for Matins.

LITTLE HORKESLEY, ESSEX.—On Nov. 8th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Mary Perkins 1, P. Perkins 2, E. Leggett (cond.) 3, B. Gibbons 4, D. Culham 5. Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday.

MAIDSTONE, KENT.—On Nov. 1st, 1,360 Kent Treble Bob Royal: T. Cross 1, F. Hogan 2, L. Mannering 3, Miss O. Couchman 4, Mrs. T. Cross 5, T. E. Sone (cond.) 6, J. Wallis 7, B. Baker 8, C. Tester 9, T. Cullingworth 10. For patronal festival Evensong.

MILTON REGIS, KENT.—On Oct. 24th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Davey 1, G. Kenward 2, J. E. Clark 3, G. A. Naylor (cond.) 4, Albert J. Dunk 5, E. C. Barton 6. A birthday compliment to the twin daughters of James Judd (Marion and Maureen).

OCKHAM, SURREY.—On Nov. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: V. Neil 1, Miss P. Drury 2, J. Martin 3, E. R. Tyndale-Biscoe 4, B. Priestley (cond.) 5. For Evensong on Remembrance Sunday.

OLDHAM, LANCS.—At St. Mary's Church, on Oct. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: I. Pass 1, E. Jenkins 2, J. T. Walmsley 3, I. Kay 4, M. D. Fishwick 5, G. S. Mills 6, A. Ward (cond.) 7, T. B. Hartley 8. Rung in honour of the 82nd birthday of Mr. Herbert Barlow, a ringer at this church for a number of years.

ORMESBY, YORKS.—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Millington 1, R. Jackson 2, Mrs. L. Warrior 3, A. Woodall 4, W. Ellerington 5, T. Cox 6, P. Wishart (first as cond.) 7, C. Oldfield 8.

ORSETT, ESSEX.—On Nov. 8th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss J. E. Hills 1, Mrs. F. W. Blatch 2, Miss E. Mason 3, D. G. Mayell (cond.) 4, R. Hills 5, F. W. Blatch 6. First in two methods for 3 and 5. First in two methods on the bells. For Remembrance Sunday.

TWICKENHAM, MIDDLX.—At the Church of All Hallows, on Nov. 1st, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Anne Muir 1, Jill Barron 2, Gillian Neal Smith 3, A. J. Muir 4, W. A. Lewis 5, M. D. Hill Brown (first as cond. in method) 6. For patronal festival Evensong.

WEST BUCKLAND, SOMERSET.—On Nov. 4th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: G. Walford 1, C. H. Webber 2, I. G. Hughes 3, S. N. Bristow 4, D. T. North (cond.) 5, C. E. Baker 6. First of Stedman for 2 and 3.

WESTON FAVELL, NORTHANTS.—On Nov. 7th, 1,260 Doubles (Canterbury, April Day, Plain Bob and Grandsire): E. Rudkin 1, T. Wooding 2, Miss G. Ashby 3, G. F. Roome 4, P. Amos (cond.) 5. For the wedding of Mr. John Goff to Miss Patricia Ann Lane.

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BELFRY GOSSIP

Mrs. F. I. Hairs exercised her right as the only woman member now alive of the Ancient Society of College Youths to attend the 322nd anniversary dinner on November 7th. The only lady present, she enjoyed to the full the excellent dinner and the witty speeches, and participated in handbell ringing at the close of the official programme.

Twelve ringers from Broughton, Staffs, attended a combined practice at Barthomley, Cheshire, recently.

After the peal at Stoke-on-Tern on October 31st the band were entertained to an excellent tea by Mr. and Mrs. Morgan, which was very much appreciated.

Watch scrap merchants' yards for old bells! Mr. P. Amos tells us that he has thus accumulated an octave and two different fives at a total cost of under £2.

Now demobilised from the Army, Mr. Alan Buswell, of Havant, writes that he has spent many an enjoyable hour at meetings, which was only made possible through the advertisements in 'The Ringing World.'

Mr. Herbert Barlow, now 82, of St. Mary's band, Oldham, recently underwent an operation in Oldham Royal Infirmary. His many friends will be glad to know that he is now home again fully recovered.

The late Mr. E. Roger Martin, vice-president of the Lancshire Association, has bequeathed in his will the sum of £100 for the provision of bell ropes at Preston Parish Church.

This week we record two first peals out of the ordinary. Robert F. Grisdale's was of London Surprise Major at North Mymms, and 13-year-old Malcolm Foster's was Cambridge Surprise Minor at Warsop. Both performances were on a working bell.

The six Melbourne ringers who travelled 800 miles to score a peal on the light six at Yass, N.S.W., passed through such places as Glenmovan (Ned Kelly's district), Frying Pan Creek, Gundagai, Wagga Wagga and Gumby Gumby. The back five of Yass' bells were cast by Thomas Blews and the treble by Taylor's. Thanks are accorded to Kenneth Minchinton, the driver, and Yass ringers for their hospitality.

Mr. F. T. Jackson is thought to be the first person to 'circle' Bawtry, Yorks, tower to peals.

Mr. Morris' book, 'Tintinnabula,' will encourage the hobby of collecting small bells. One of the largest collections is in the possession of Mr. Wagstaff, of Northill, who in addition to small bells has an octave of bicycle bells.

Mr. S. Ponting, of Milford, was nominated as the new secretary of the Guildford District at Cranleigh on November 7th, in succession to Mr. D. G. Kirk, who is going to Ruskington, near Sleaford, Lincs, in the New Year.

Mainly due to the enthusiasm of Miss Margaret Ladd, members of the Kent District of the Ladies' Guild have scored a peal at Marden. The conductor, Miss D. Colegate, writes that this effort did not need conducting, all that was required was to call the bobs. A previous attempt a few months ago failed.

Mr. Robert F. Grisdale is now a member of the North Mymms, Herts, band, having learned to ring at Keswick, Cumberland. His ringing friends in the North Country will be pleased to learn that he has now rung a peal of London Surprise Major on a working bell. This, moreover, was his first peal, in which he made a very good performance and by it has achieved something of a rare feat.

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322nd ANNIVERSARY DINNER OF THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

RECORD ATTENDANCE INCLUDED ONLY LADY MEMBER — PROVOST REINDORP SOLVES NELSON'S LAST WORDS — CORNHILL BELLS — 71 NEW MEMBERS — 'THE RINGING WORLD' HIGHEST SALE — REASONS FOR PRICE INCREASE

A COMPANY of over 200 ringers made the 322nd anniversary dinner of the Ancient Society of College Youths, held at the Bridge House Restaurant, London Bridge, on November 7th, not only a record attendance but a fitting climax to a memorable year. In the company were three old stalwarts with over 60 years' membership—Messrs. E. Fenn, J. R. Sharman and G. E. Symonds—sitting in company with 'youngsters hardly out of their nappies,' to use a happy phrase of the Provost of Southwark (the Very Rev. G. E. Reindorp).

The customary dignified entry of the Master (Mr. Wilfred Williams), escorted by the senior steward (Mr. J. G. A. Prior) and the junior steward (Mr. M. P. Moreton), gave a touch of pageantry to the proceedings. During the meal the Master took wine with those of 60 and 50 years' membership, the past masters, and finally with those with whom he had rung a peal—which seemed to be at least half the assembly. It was, indeed, a busy evening for the toastmaster, Mr. Cyril Watts.

The toast of 'The Queen' was followed by that of 'The Church,' presented with a Welsh fluency by the Master. He recalled his visit the previous Saturday to Great Yarmouth for the dedication of the new ring of bells, where they all saw what had been accomplished by hard work. He gave the Rev. Gilbert Thurlow's apologies to the company; he would have liked to have been present but was tied to his very large parish.

THE SUNDAY OF THOUSANDS

Last summer, said the Master, was a good example of how thousands of people spend their Sunday, without any thought of the Church. There was a procession of thousands of cars, coaches and trains taking people to the seaside, while very many more spent the morning beneath their cars or touching-up the paintwork. Those people would not think much about the Church unless they were provided with some link which came from the distant ringing of church bells.

He knew many others who looked forward to Sunday, not as a day of worship, but because they would get double pay. There were others who would like to go to church but were afraid of ridicule. A committee had been appointed by the Church Assembly, under the chairmanship of Sir Wilfrid Garrett, to improve the relationship between the Church and the factory. A good example of this relationship was provided by the ringers.

The expected addition to the Royal Family next year was looked forward to with great interest and should bring the people closer to the Church. 'We hope it will be an occasion for rejoicing and that many peals will be rung. There are ringers who might have the opportunity of ringing at some inaccessible towers. This will be one of the occasions when everybody will know why the bells are being rung.'

There seemed to be a good influx of young men entering the Church today, and some of them were good ringers. The Bishop of Southwark had appealed to young clergy to come forward and take jobs in Southwark and Camberwell. It was only by them coming forward that the gap which existed between the Church and the people could be reduced.

MR. WILFRED WILLIAMS,
The Master as hundreds who have rung peals with him know him.

'ARMADA' HUGHES

The Provost of Southwark was at his happiest in his reply to the toast with a pointed reference to his old friend 'Armada' Hughes. He went to Portsmouth on Nelson's Day to take part in the proceedings, and some doubt was expressed as to what were Nelson's last words —'Kismet Hardy' or 'Kiss me, Hardy.' He thought a solution would be found if they looked at the 'Victory's' bell. It provided the answer with 'Kiss me, Hughes.'

When he was in St. Bartholomew's Hospital as a patient with his wife, the Provost spoke of hearing the bells of the new Cathedral (St. Paul's), where the church got its money from a whispering gallery. It was a campanological mystical sound which called back memories. What it was to have a famous name! Only England could produce names like the Ancient Society of College Youths.

The Provost said they at Southwark owed a lot to the ringers when their Bishop was enthroned, when they had more pressmen visit them than at any other ecclesiastical event. His secretary, Benedicta Whistler, when she motored him around the country never failed to point out the churches in which she had rung. On behalf of the Church he thanked the ringers for their services. They were thrilled to know that the College Youths had 70 new members.

The toast of 'The Ancient Society of College Youths' was proposed by the Rev. N. Motley, Rector of St. Michael's, Cornhill, who in his thanks wondered how some of the ringers found time to eat, as they rang for the 10 o'clock service at St. Paul's, the 11 o'clock at his church and again at St. Paul's in the afternoon.

They might have heard that their 11th bell had sheared its bearing. The City Fathers had not been over generous in meeting the cost. He approached one who said he was quite prepared to start a fund for some nice electronic bells on which they could hear the Bells of Bethlehem, and asked him if he would like it. Apart from the fact that he objected to anything ersatz, he remembered that there was the Ancient Society of College Youths, and if electronic bells were introduced he could not remain Rector of Cornhill. He was still waiting for that City Father's subscription for the new bells.

The hon. secretary (Mr. John E. Chilcott) in his reply expressed the Society's pleasure in having Mr. Motley with them as their guest, as he had been a source of great encouragement to the Society by the energetic way he was getting the bells restored. They looked forward to the time when he had his bells ringing again.

The secretary read apologies from the Rev. Gilbert Thurlow, Messrs. J. T. Dyke, L. Derrick, W. A. Marsh, Richard W. Stannard (aged 90, joined 1890), Harry Miles, F. E. Hansford, W. A. Osborn and Alan R. Mcadonald.

A RECORD YEAR

The past year could be described as a record one. They had that evening a record attendance of over 200 members and friends of the Society; they had made a record number of new members, and in addition the number of peals rung was above average.

Practices had, however, suffered by the curtailment of ringing at Cornhill and in latter months at St. Paul's Cathedral, but the ringing had been of a progressive nature and at the practices the standard had been a high one.

They had a country meeting at Worcester on May 2nd, when they had a very enjoyable day, thanks to the services of Messrs. Cartwright and Hemming, and on July 25th they visited St. Albans, where Mr. Arnold made excellent arrangements.

That year they had made 71 new members, which was almost double the number for last year. They came from 28 counties, and in addition there was Mr. Nelson Sloan, of Christchurch, New Zealand. Mr. Sloan came on a six-months' holiday to this country, and most of his holiday was devoted to ringing, and when he was told he was eligible for election to the College Youths, which was just before he returned to New Zealand, he told him that it was the highlight of his visit.

During the year 23 peals were rung, against 16 last year. There were eight peals of Major including one at Bolsover and the first for the Society of Glasgow Surprise Major; five peals of Stedman Caters (including one at Southwark for the new Bishop), three of Royal (Gloucester Cathedral, Stepney and Prittlewell), five of Stedman Cinques (including Exeter Cathedral) and three of Maximus (including the first of Pudsey for the Society in June, although another peal was rung in July).

In the early part of the year they were offered the original manuscript of Trollope's 'College Youths' by the Guildford Guild. They were very proud to have it, and they looked forward to the time they had a central home for their books. He hoped that someone would write a history of their contemporary members.

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COLLEGE YOUTHS' DINNER
(Continued)

LOSSES BY DEATH

At the suggestion of the Master, the company stood while the following, who had died during the year (not all College Youths), were remembered:—

John Bass, Bernard J. Swinson, Geoffrey Carter, Herbert W. Knight, John O. Lancaster, Herbert J. Skeet, Harry Knutt, George N. Price, Ernest J. Gladman, Mrs. A. A. Shurcliff, John Fowler, Arthur W. Gravett, George Baker, Alfred H. Pulling, Arthur B. Wiffin, Charles W. Blakey, Percy Fordham, Cecil J. Matthews, William Pelling, Sidney S. Woodburn, Cecil V. Ebberson, Robert S. F. Murphy, William Seldon, Geo. F. Hoad, Ambrose W. Osborne, Thomas Townsend, Henry J. Ranzetta, E. Roger Martin and Charles Brown.

'Visitors and Kindred Societies' was proposed by Mr. J. G. A. Prior, who gave a special welcome to the Provost of Southwark and the Rev. N. Motley. Mr. Motley's bells were at the Whitechapel Foundry, and they had every hope of ringing them again shortly. Southwark, Cornhill and Cripplegate were great names in the Society. Welcoming Mr. Peter Bond, the Master of the Cumberlands, Mr. Prior said he had not been Master long but he thought he could claim to be the longest! Other guests specially mentioned were Mr. Frederick Sharpe (president) and Mr. E. A. Barnett (secretary), of the Central Council, and also Mr. Edwin A. Lewis. 'We of the Ancient Society are very proud that the presidents of the Council have for a long time been College Youths, and for almost as many years the secretaries have been Cumberlands.'

DESCENDANTS OF MASTER OF 1685

Speaking of 'Kindred Societies,' Mr. Prior mentioned that College Youths were also members of kindred Societies. Of the last 17 Masters no fewer than nine came from outside London. In their company there were two-dozen members from Oxford. He also welcomed Mr. Sam Scattergood, of the Derbyshire Society, who was a direct descendant of Samuel Scattergood, who was Master in 1685. He must have known Fabian Stedman, who was Master in 1682. Mr. L. W. Wiffen, of the Essex Association, was the sole surviving member of the band who rang the first peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus at St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich, and with him was Mr. Charles Sedgley, who with Mr. Wiffen rang in the second peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus at Ipswich.

The Rev. E. G. Turner (Rector of St. Giles', Cripplegate) in his reply said that having completed 25 years as Vicar of Cripplegate, his title had now been changed to Rector.

Mr. G. McKay, of the Cumberland and North Westmorland Association, replied for the Kindred Societies, and said his Association covered a very wide area but only contained 110 ringers and 20 rings of bells

Mr. W. T. Cook was entrusted with the toast of 'The Ringing World,' and said, 'The Ringing World,' or some similar journal, was indispensable to the Exercise. They had had a ringing journal continuously since 1881, and since then there had been an enormous increase in the theory of their art. As they knew, with the recent increase in the cost of printing 'The Ringing World' was facing a crisis, and what they had to decide was 'what we who own the paper are going to do about it.' Were they going to let it die through their own apathy? "The Ringing World" was necessary if ringing was to function as it did today.

Mr. E. A. Barnett, who replied, said 'The Ringing World' was born on March 24th, 1911, and in the first issue there was a photograph of a young man of 28 with a splendid head of black hair, who was the then Master of the College Youths—their friend, Mr. Peck. Of course, it was very magnanimous for Mr. Goldsmith to begin with Mr. Peck, as he was an ardent Cumberland.

'ANNOYED SOMEBODY'

What did they want in 'The Ringing World'? They knew that whatever fresh appeared it annoyed somebody. He welcomed very much a letter from a clergyman, who said they did not want homespun theology but news about ringing. He did not want a watered-down edition of 'The Church Times.' Some people said the contents were not bright enough. Some urged that it should cater for the Sunday service ringers, and if it did its circulation would go up by leaps and bounds.

Other complaints were that there were too many peals, and professional peal ringers went about the country ringing for their own pleasure. 'I think I can speak in a slightly detached fashion having rung a tremendous number of peals in a short time until compelled to give up. Personally, I read the doings of other peal ringers, and I am quite certain that 95 per cent. of those who buy "The Ringing World" do. It seems to me that in certain quarters there is a very strong Puritan streak.'

CIRCULATION HIGHEST

'It is a fact that the circulation of the journal is higher than it has ever been—a circulation of 5,700 a week. As Mr. Cook said, the paper faces a crisis because of the increase of 12½ per cent. in printing costs. I will tell you the Standing Committee met this afternoon and considered the general situation of the paper. They considered three alternative ways in which they might increase the revenue of the paper, and very reluctantly decided that it would be necessary from the first issue next year to increase the price.

'We took the view if the price is increased, the increase should be one that would provide a surplus as far as could be reasonably foreseen, because we know that in 1961 there will be another review of printers' wages and also of costs. The view was taken that it was no good putting a penny on the paper and coming back in a couple of years and saying it has been very tight.

'From the first issue in January the price will be 8d. We know that it will not be popular. There will be letters in "The Ringing World," but do remember we are not putting money into shareholders' pockets. The only thing "The Ringing World" Committee and the Standing Committee are concerned with is trying to ensure as far as possible that "The Ringing World" shall continue to appear and that the Editor and his staff, inadequately paid as they are, should receive a slight increase to recompense them. I think the Exercise generally will not object to that extra cost.'

The concluding toast, which was drunk in silence, was 'The Fragrant Memory of the Masters of 300, 200 and 100 years ago.' Mr. A. A. Hughes, who submitted the toast, said that the Master of 1659 was John Tendring, a famous composer of his time; they had no record of the Master of 1759, but in 1859 it was Matthew A. Wood, of Bethnal Green. Quite a number of ringers knew him, and he (Mr. Hughes) called his last peal in 1912. He was a great man, a first-class ringer and a steadfast character.

During the evening a touch of Stedman Cinques was rung by William T. Cook 1-2, John Chilcott 3-4, Michael V. Chilcott 5-6, Wilfred Williams 7-8, Brian D. Threlfall 9-10, Michael P. Moreton 11-12.

THE COMPANY

Supporting the Master on the top table were the Provost of Southwark, the Rectors of Cripplegate and Cornhill, the Rev. N. Earle and Messrs. J. E. Chilcott, F. C. Sharpe, E. A. Barnett, J. G. A. Prior, E. H. Lewis, G. McKay, P. N. Bond, A. York-Bramble, A. A. Hughes, C. J. Watts, D. Hughes, R. Wilson, W. T. Cook, S. Scattergood, J. F. Smallwood and P. Crook.

Others present were:—

A. J. Adams, N. I. Allnatt, W. J. Arnold.

A. Bagworth, N. Bagworth, P. Baker, A. D. Barker, S. H. Barker, A. L. Barry, J. Basher, L. Batting, A. W. Beard, H. Belcher, R. D. Bell, R. G. Bell, P. Bird, G. Bishop, W. H. Bishop, G. Boomsma, P. Border, T. R. Boreham, R. J. Bowden, A. J. Boyack, F. W. Budgen, D. Burnett, D. Butterworth.

A. P. Cannon, G. W. Cecil, P. A. F. Chalk, J. R. Chaundy, W. J. Chester, M. V. Chilcott, D. G. Clift, B. Coggins, W. H. Coles, P. A. Corby, F. E. Collins, A. R. Cornish, J. H. Crampion.

F. E. Darby, G. Davis, S. H. Dearden, W. S. Deason, T. R. Dennis.

M. Edney, H. C. Edwards, R. G. Edwards, T. P. Edwards, R. J. Elliott.

E. G. Fenn, S. Foskett, D. Fowles, L. J. Fox, T. G. Fox.

J. Gipson, W. C. Godwin, I. Goulter, W. T. Grice.

F. I. Hairs, Mrs. Hairs, H. Hamer, R. Hamilton, G. H. Harding, N. V. Harding, J. S. Hawkins, F. E. Haynes, J. Hill, E. Hitchins, L. Hitchins, H. Hodgetts (2), S. Holgate, E. E. Holman, J. Hunt.

D. Jewell, C. M. P. Johnson, W. F. Judge.

I. Kay, S. F. Kimber.

D. Langdon, R. G. Leale, D. Leslie, N. Leslie, C. E. Lewington, G. J. Lewis, A. F. Lewry, J. Linnell, J. H. Lott, E. Lucas.

T. Macey, K. W. Mackintosh, C. Malden, A. R. Mann, F. E. Manns, W. Manser, J. Marks, C. W. Martin, A. G. Mason, J. S. Mason, F. C. Maynard, R. B. Meadows, G. S. Mills, E. G. Moore, M. P. Moreton, B. P. Morris.

E. Nixon, C. Norris, R. E. Norris.

D. Painter, D. E. Parsons, R. I. F. Parsons, A. B. Peck, A. J. Phillips, J. Phillips, M. Phipps, C. W. Pipe, W. C. Porter.

D. Randall, W. J. Rawlings, J. Rea, A. H. Reed, A. S. Richards, J. E. Ricketts, W. A. Riddington, W. J. Ridgman, F. E. Roberts, T. Roberts, J. D. Rock, A. Rogers, E. J. Rowe, H. Rumens.

G. Salmon, J. B. Sansom, V. Savage, F. R. Scott, C. J. Sedgley, T. J. Setter, S. J. Sharland, J. R. Sharman (2), G. Shellard, J. Silverside.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

RINGING TOURS

Dear Sir,—I sympathise with Mr. Dowse in his protest about the cutting of copy sent for publication: it really is a waste of time. An account of a 10-day tour which I submitted earlier this year appeared as a few lines in 'Belfry Gossip,' so those whose reports are cut to half a page can take what comfort they like from that!

The key to the success of any paper lies in its presentation of news, and people who take the trouble to send in reports, as Mr. Dowse says, work hard and take a great deal of time and trouble to produce first class material. This is almost invariably pruned drastically, and what is left is ironed out to a general level of mediocrity from which all humour and amusing incidents are erased.

The ordinary reader isn't interested in the rather banal reports which so often run: 'We visited . . . .' followed by a string of towers and the number of bells in each. This is merely a factual record which we can read in 'Dove.' If an account isn't 'live' then it isn't worth printing, as any newspaper editor will soon confirm.

The sort of person who sends reports is invariably a 'Ringing World' supporter, and I would hazard a guess, very often a financial supporter into the bargain. If his reports are to receive such cavalier treatment, then the Editor loses another contributor and a bit of goodwill as well.

We read 'The Ringing World' for entertainment as well as for news and higher mathematics, so please remember that unimaginative cutting of reports is not only the surest way to a further falling off in interest, but, what is far more serious, a falling off in circulation, which no one wishes to see. —Yours faithfully,

JOHN BRAIN.

Backwell, Somerset.

Note.—Those who submit week's ringing tours should remember that consideration has first to be given to the general reader. They want to know whose tour. Who is Bill and Monica? In selecting tours for publication preference is given to the regular weeks of permanent or semi-permanent bodies. The printers' strike meant a deficit of 84 pages of reading matter. Had this not occurred there would have been fewer grouses. —Ed.

College Youths

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D. J. Neal Smith, S. Smith, K. Spavins, R. Sumner, G. E. Symonds.

F. C. Taylor, A. Temple, W. A. Theobald, A. F. Thirst, H. E. Thompson, J. Thornley, B. D. Threlfall, A. M. Tyler.

P. Walker, D. K. Walters, J. Ward, P. H. Watts, J. A. Waugh, G. H. Webb, H. Weaver, H. Weedon, J. O. Weller, B. R. White, F. A. White, F. C. White, T. W. White, W. R. White, L. Wiffen, F. H. Wilkins, A. C. Winn, P. J. Woodyger, H. W. Woolven, C. Wratten, C. Wright.

W. A. Yates.

RECORD LENGTH OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR TO BE ATTEMPTED

Dear Sir,—I wish to give notice of an attempt for 40,320 Double Norwich C.B. Major at the Bell Foundry, Loughborough, on Saturday, November 28th, commencing at 9 a.m., approximately.

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46523	—	—	3
62543	—		3
34265	—	—	
32645	2		—
26345	3		—
63245	3		—
54362	—	—	3
24563		—	3
36425	—	—	
23465	2		

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Yours faithfully,

BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

King's Norton, Birmingham.

OUR PAGES AND THEIR APPEAL

Dear Sir,—One receives his or her 'Ringing World' each week to read some very interesting literature.

We open up our copy at the first page and usually find a very interesting article by a well-known ringer. We then read, I hope with interest, the peals and quarter peals that have been published, and belfry gossip. After I have read so far, I usually turn to read the notices of meetings and then accounts of peal tours and outings, etc. Last of all, and by no means least, we turn to letters to the Editor, and what do we read? One person begrudges the space allocated to him compared with the amount of space allocated to someone else. Another person then reports that he heard part of a peal—published in 'The Ringing World'—and comments that he would not have given it room in the peals column had he been the Editor.

Let us face all facts. We in general are not interested in how much space is allocated to accounts of outings and tours, or to whether a peal should have been published or not. These are both a matter of judgment for the Editor and the latter by the conductor. If a conductor thinks that the striking of a peal is good enough for publication, then let that be the end of it. If the striking is bad, then it is up to the conductor to ask for better striking or to stand the bells.

Let us not read any more of these 'bickering' letters and have the space devoted to more interesting literature, such as ringers giving information on bells and others wanting to know if there are any more bells in the country cast by So and So.—Yours faithfully.

St. Mary's, Oldham. ALAN WARD.

'HUDIBRAS' AND THE EXTREME

Dear Sir,—I was very interested to read the leading article in 'The Ringing World' of October 30th giving account of a conversation between Mr. Chant and 'Professor Dodge.' It is with great trepidation that I set pen to paper to express any views on a subject that has been studied by such a learned Professor.

Ten years ago I joined a five-bell tower, just south of Grantham, called Great Ponton, and there we used to ring a method, or rather a variation, which we called 'Hudibras.' This method was the same as what is commonly known as April Day (i.e., Plain Bob Doubles with a Grandsire single instead of a bob). The only difference between the two methods was that whereas, naturally, Plain Bob had the normal start, Hudibras had a Grandsire-type start. In other words, the 120 starts off assuming that a call has just been made.

The Professor and Mr. Chant then went on to discuss a type of call used in doubles called 'Extream.' In Great Ponton belfry there is a chart quoting 42 different extents of Grandsire Doubles, and in 32 of these extents, apart from the usual bobs, singles and plain leads, I seem to remember that a very large proportion of the lead ends were marked to be called 'E,' which, I was told, meant 'Extream.' (I was told that it was spelt 'Extreme.') I made several inquiries to find out exactly what was meant by this, but was never very successful. One person said that it was just another type of call like a bob or single, another said that it was a call by means of which a conductor could put another bell into the plain hunting instead of the treble, and a third thought it had the effect of altering the work of the bells between the lead ends. Unfortunately none of my informants are now alive so I cannot question them further on this point.

Like Messrs. Chant and Dodge, I do not think that I could be classified as an 'Old Doubles Ringer,' having only been ringing less than 15 years, so I hope that I shall not be accused of teaching my grandmothers (and fathers) to suck eggs.—Yours, etc.,

J. M. SIMPSON.

Grantham, Lincs.

ST. RUMON OF ROMANSLEIGH

Dear Sir,—The writer of the report of the S.F.E. outing in Devon at Whitsun, in 'The Ringing World' of July 10th-17th, asked for the origin of St. Rumon of Romansleigh.

I have been inquiring into the history of this local saint and find that he is identical with St. Ruan of Ruan Maj. and Min. also Polruan, in Cornwall.

I am indebted to the Rev. R. L. P. Milburn for the following information: 'He seems to have been one of a rather numerous band of Irish hermits who came to Cornwall and to Brittany, where he is also honoured, and thought to be a Bishop of Quimper.

'His fame was widespread and his bones were preserved in Tavistock Abbey, until the Abbey was sacked by the Danes.'

Incidentally, I can well recommend Mr. Milburn's excellent book, 'Saints and Their Emblems in English Churches,' to anyone interested in identifying both the common and the uncommon saints depicted in our churches —Yours faithfully. JOHN F. CARTER.

Pangbourne, Berks.

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LETTERS—Continued

COVEHITHE CHURCH, SUFFOLK

Sir, — The most interesting account by 'U. W. W.' of ringers at Covehithe, Suffolk, certainly brought back many memories of visits made during the summers of 1935, 1936 and 1937, and also answered a question which has puzzled me for over 20 years—why this unique place, with its one church built inside another, has not been the venue of outings and peal attempts. Although I would not care to do so to-day, I can recall more than one scramble up the crazy ladders in the tower in company with other teenage youths.

In those days the bells were chimed 'on the swing' by members of the church, under the supervision of the then Rector, the Rev. L. W. Wingfield (I think that was his name), and very well they did it. Ringing, even then, was done on only very rare occasions on account of the isolation of the place and then, as far as I recall, by arrangement with the bands at Pakefield and/or Wrentham. The tower was not thought unsafe at the time.

An interesting and well-illustrated booklet, 'History and Antiquities of Covehithe,' by John Browne, M.A., used to be available for 6d. at Wrentham Post Office. From internal evidence, this was originally written between 1872 and 1881, my copy being published by Powell and Co., of Lowestoft. The following few facts may be of interest:—

There is no church mentioned in Domesday, but in 1301 a vicar was nominated by Wangford Priory, and this monastery and its superior at Thetford were probably patrons of the living. The book gives a list of vicars from 1301 to 1710 and it is generally thought that the ruined church was the work of William Yarmouth, Vicar 1459—1494, a man of wealth. This building was 'defaced' by Dowsing, the Parliamentary Commissioner, and after the Civil War, in 1672, was partly demolished to provide material for the small church erected inside the nave, which was more appropriate to the needs and size of the place than the old building, which was 163ft. long and 63ft. 9in. wide and renowned for its stained glass before Dowsing got there.

The bells are very interesting; the treble is an ancient blank bell; 2 and 3 being inscribed: A. B. Anno Domini 1616 and 1626 respectively; 4 and 5 are apparently mediæval, the inscriptions reading: (4) 'Petrus ad eterne ducat nos pascua vite,' (5) 'Sum Rosa pulsata mundi Maria Vocata.' Both bear shields and crosses, probably products of the Norwich foundry. The weight would be about 14-16 cwt.

Perhaps one of your more erudite readers could say whether the 'one church in another' is unique or not.—Yours sincerely,

W. E. BOX.

Harborne.

Freemasons At Liverpool

The dozen Masonic brethren who assembled at St. Nicholas' Church, Liverpool, on October 31st were unable to start for a peal of Stedman Cinques as, owing to a wedding service, time would not allow for its completion. They had the pleasure of ringing two excellent quarters on these fine bells, which left everyone quite satisfied. It is understood that this is the first time two quarters have been rung on the bells in one day.

By previous arrangements, a repast with the curate (the Rev. Ian Campbell) and Ringing Master (Mr. Lester Gray) was enjoyed at the local Masonic Hall and brought to a close a really happy day. Among toasts honoured were 'The Ringing Fraternity' and 'Absent Friends.'

THE DEVON GUILD AND TOURS

Dear Sir,—In view of the correspondence which has taken place, I feel that, as general secretary of the Devon Guild, I should like to make it clear that we are very pleased to welcome to Devon visiting ringers, whether individually or in parties. It must be remembered that we change ringers number less than 20 per cent. of the ringers in Devon and that practising the art of change ringing is consequently very difficult. We therefore look forward to the summer, when ringers on holiday make their way to our belfries and give us a helping hand. We also like to hear our bells rung well by a band of experts such as that which rang the 11 peals last month. Our peal fees almost cover the cost of publication in our annual report and make a contribution to 'The Ringing World' funds.

Unfortunately I was not able to welcome the peal party as I had no previous knowledge of their visit, but the monks at Buckfast Abbey have told me how much they appreciated the ringing. It is, however, regretted that the peal at Wolborough was rung on a Sunday, as this disturbance of the Sunday quiet has caused trouble at one of the few call change towers in Devon, where peal ringing by residents has been welcomed in the past. In this connection I would like to endorse Mr. Norman Mallett's suggestions in last week's 'Ringing World' and express the hope that in arranging future tours one of the officers of the Guild would be contacted. —Yours sincerely,

G. MAURICE ATKINS.

Teignmouth, Devon.

FAMILY PEALS

Dear Sir,—With regard to the claim, made in 'The Ringing World' of October 23rd, page 625, by A. R. L., peals of Plain Bob Major were rung 'in hand' by members of one family before 1915.—Yours truly,

A. F. BAILEY.

Stockport, Cheshire.

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DEDICATION

Carbis Bay's Completed Tower And New Bells

THE dedication of the completed tower, two new trebles to make a ring of ten, an additional clock face, and new curtains for both the High and and Lady Chapel Altars, took place on Saturday, October 31st, All Saints' Eve, and was performed by the Archdeacon of Cornwall, the Ven. F. Boreham.

The Archdeacon, in his sermon, described the dedication service as a 'joyful and happy occasion,' and said that the beautiful tower dominated the whole area and invited everyone to worship and praise God.

The service was conducted by the Vicar, Canon I. S. Jenkins. In addition, there were more than 20 clergy present, including the Rev. W. H. R. Trewhella (secretary of the Diocesan Guild). The congregation was so large that all could not get into the church. There were present the architect, Mr. K. E. Rundle, Mr. Paul L. Taylor and Mr. Ronald Edwards (Loughborough), Messrs. P. Venn and J. Clinch (Messrs. Venn Bros., Ltd, who built the tower), A. Carveth (president), W. H. Southeard (vice-president), D. Burnett (Master, Truro Guild) and ringers from as far away as Sheffield, Leicester, Plymouth and Devonshire, as well as Cornwall.

As the two new trebles, which were the gift of the Barron Bell Trust, had been hallowed at a special service in August, the full ring of ten was rung for an hour by the local band before the service. This gave all, on arrival, a splendid opportunity to hear the bells outside the church.

Immediately after the service, whilst the whole congregation of visitors and parishioners went across to the Church Room for tea, a quarter peal of Grandsire Caters was rung by a band of seven from the Diocese and three visitors, conducted by Mr. T. G. Myers, of Plymouth. This excellent and continuous ringing was very much appreciated.

After this there was general ringing until late in the evening and included rounds, Grandsire and Stedman Caters and Bob Royal, and although an attempt for a course of Cambridge Royal was amongst the best ringing of the evening it misfired.

Although ringing conditions were not quite as they will be, as the clockmakers had not finished their task, the general opinion was that this new ring is most pleasing both inside and outside the tower. Certain adjustments, now that the clock has been removed from the ringing chamber to a position above the bells, can now be made, and it is certain that this light ten will give nothing but enjoyment to those who ring them.

During the service the Vicar gave greetings he had received from the Vicar of Great Yarmouth, where the dedication was taking place at the same hour, and mentioned that he, too, had sent greetings to the Rev. Gilbert Thurlow. Carbis Bay got the first quarter peal. Which tower will get the first peal?

WYCHBOLD, WORCS.—On Nov. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Heather Pullon 1, Mrs. A. D. Cook (first 'inside') 2, J. E. Pullon (first 'inside') 3, A. D. Cook (first as cond.) 4, P. Cattermole 5, J. E. A. Pullon (first quarter) 6. Rung half-muffled following Remembrance Day Evensong by the Sunday service band.

FIRST MARRIED COUPLE'S PEAL OF MINOR

Dear Sir,—The first married couple's peal of Minor was not rung at Deeping St. Nicholas on October 22nd, 1959, but at Bassingham, Lincs, on November 29th, 1930.—Yours truly,

A. RICHARDSON (MRS.)

Surfleet, Lincs.

RINGING COMPETITION FOLLOWS REDEDICATION AT KIMPTON

THE first Hertfordshire ringing competition was held at Kimpton following the service of rededication of the bells by the Bishop of Bedford on October 31st.

A new tower screen in memory of the late Charles Hancock, Vicar of Kimpton from 1952 to 1958, was also dedicated at the service. Mr. Hancock was keenly interested in the bells and himself learned to ring at Kimpton. It was during his incumbency that a restoration fund was opened for the bells and in four and a half years the local ringers raised £590 for the fund. The work, which included retuning and rehanging in ball bearings, was completed in October by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. The beautiful memorial screen, which incorporates a new ringing floor, was designed by a member of the church and built by Mr. D. Price, a member of the local band.

The dedication rounds during the service were rung by a local band, which included 78-year-old tower captain Mr. John Wells, who has been associated with the church as choirboy and ringer since the age of 16.

After the service a short touch of Kent Minor was rung by a band including the president of the Herts County Association, Mr. G. W. Debenham, and Messrs. W. Ayre and A.P. Cannon.

When the judges were safely 'locked in,' the captains of the eight teams which had entered for the competition drew for order of ringing. Each team rang 360 of Minor, own choice of method, and by a quarter to six all teams had successfully completed their touch.

Nearly 70 ringers then converged on the village school for an excellent tea, following which the Rev. C. W. Lawrence welcomed visitors. He praised the local ringers on their initiative in organising the competition, which had brought together ringers from all over the county on this memorable occasion.

Mr. J. G. Cull, in introducing the judges, Mr. W. Ayre and Mr. A. P. Cannon, said that he did not think he could say anything about these two well-known gentlemen which the meeting did not already know, except to give an assurance that they had not been visited by any ringers with refreshments during the course of the afternoon!

A tape recording was then played of Kimpton bells rung to Cambridge Minor, before restoration.

IMPORTANCE OF TIGHT ROPE

Mr. Ayre, in commenting on the competition, said that most marks were lost due to bad leads. He emphasised the need for keeping a tight rope and also said that it was not good policy to put the least experienced member of the band on the treble.

Mr. Cannon, after supporting these remarks, said that he had last visited Kimpton 20 years ago and on that occasion had cycled from Surrey. That day he had travelled in comfort and he had found the afternoon a very pleasant change from peal ringing.

Mr. Ayre, in giving the results, said that these did not really matter so much as the fact that the competition was an incentive to attain good striking, which was the main criterion in any ringing.

The teams who entered, methods rung and marking were then given as follows: North Mymms (Cambridge) 78 faults. Baldock 'A' (Cambridge) 82. Apsley End (Norwich) 107. King's Langley (Plain Bob) 144. Kimpton (Plain Bob) 163. Knebworth (Plain Bob) 164. Baldock 'B' (Plain Bob) 182. Northaw (Plain Bob) 185.

The Kimpton Cup (of solid silver), which had been given by the Kimpton Guild of Change Ringers, was then presented to Mr. T. J. Lock, of North Mymms, who said he felt sure that everyone who had entered for the competition had benefited by the practice necessary for such an event.

All the ringing during the afternoon had been recorded and part of the winning team's touch was then played back. Compared with the recording made before restoration the improvement in tone effected by the retuning was most marked.

A short discussion on the future of the competition brought whole-hearted support that it should continue and a small committee was formed to organise the event in 1960.

Following a vote of thanks to all concerned in making the arrangements for the day the meeting adjourned to the local British Legion Club. Here the Kimpton ringers had laid on a barrel of beer, which proved to be too small, and other refreshments. Good use was made of the handbells during the evening and teams were able to hear their afternoon's ringing played back over the tape recorder, some perhaps were a little surprised at the number of faults.

So ended, all too soon, a very memorable and enjoyable day.

Our thanks to Messrs. Mears and Stainbank for doing such a good job on the bells.

THE BELLS

Tenor.—10 cwt. 2 qr. 15 lb. in G. 1638. Founder, Robert Oldfield, Hertford.

Fifth.—8 cwt. 1 qr. Late 14th Century. Founder, William Burford, London.

Fourth.—7 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. Middle 16th Century. Founder, John Saunders, Reading.

Third.— 5 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb. 1636. Founder, Robert Oldfield.

Second.—4 cwt. 2 qrs. 18 lb. 1728. Founder: John Waylett, Bishop's Stortford.

Treble.—4 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. 1636. Founder, Robert Oldfield.

J. G. C.

BOCKING, ESSEX.—On Nov. 1st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. M. Moore 1, Rev. J. Burslem (first in method) 2, H. Moore 3, A. Beckwith 4, J. Warner 5, Q. Burslem (first in method) 6, R. Suckling (cond.) 7, A. Syder 8. Rung after Evensong in honour of All Saints.

CARBIS BAY, CORNWALL.—On Oct. 31st, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: A. Carveth 1, R. A. Southwood 2, F. B. Ditcher 3, H. C. Spencer 4, G. W. Taysom 5, Miss V. M. Matthews 6, D. Burnett 7, H. Harper 8, T. G. Myers (cond.) 9, A. Locke 10. Rung immediately after the service of dedication of the completed tower and two new trebles.

SCHOOL CHILDREN EXPERIMENT AT HONITON, DEVON

Youth is very prominent in many of our belfries today. In Honiton, Devon, as young men were not coming forward, children were recruited for the belfry, and the experiment has been very successful. The six in our accompanying illustration, kindly supplied by the 'Western Times and Gazette,' range in age from 12 to 14 years, and they have been trained by Mr. W. Webb, the captain of Honiton Parish Church ringers, and Mr. Hodge, a member.

The children now ring regularly for Sunday services, taking their turn with their seniors. They are Janet Real, Sandra Webb, Peter Fursey, Bernard and Marcus Harvey and Peter Real. Janet and Sandra have received certificates of proficiency from the Devon Guild of Ringers.

MR. J. HALL, MIDDLESBROUGH, PASSES 60 YEARS AS ACTIVE RINGER

A presentation was made to Mr. J. G. Hall, of Middlesbrough, on October 8th, to mark his retirement from active ringing. Jack Hall graduated from the Bible class at St. Hilda's Church, Middlesbrough, to the belfry just before the end of the 19th century, and his active ringing career lasted for over 60 years. Recently, at the age of 79, he decided that he could no longer take an active part in the Exercise, and to mark the very great services rendered by him, the ringers at St. Cuthbert's, Ormesby, presented him with an inscribed copy of 'Tintinnabula.' The presentation was made by Mr. William Ellerington, who spoke of his long association with Jack Hall, going back for more than 40 years.

Although starting at St. Hilda's, Middlesbrough, Jack Hall has rung at practically every tower in the North Riding of Yorkshire, County Durham and Southern Northumberland. A joiner by trade, he worked for some time on Tyneside before World War I during the fitting out of the first 'Mauritania.' He and the late Tom Metcalfe for a long time assisted the band at Ormesby, regularly walking the four or so miles from Middlesbrough on Sundays. Since the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association was re-formed in 1951, Jack Hall has been one of the vice-presidents, and amongst those at the presentation were the president (Mr. T. M. Cox), the treasurer (Mrs. Laura Warrior) and the secretary (Mr. P. W. B. Semmens).

A bouquet of flowers was sent to Mrs. Hall as a token of appreciation for the many hours she had spent at home while her husband was away ringing.

In spite of thick fog and the excitement of election night, a reporter and photographer from the 'Middlesbrough Evening Gazette' attended the presentation, and we are indebted to this newspaper for our illustration.

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SHERBURN-IN-ELMET, YORKS.—On Nov. 5th, 1,260 Minor (Cambridge Surprise and Spliced Plain Bob, Double Bob, Fulbeck and St. Clement's): W. Hick 1, A. Evans 2, E. M. Bradley 3, A. Sheppard 4, J. Potts 5, B. K. Sissons (cond.) 6.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

Close on 30 ringers attended the Northern Branch meeting at Coltishall where, with Mr. A. G. Bason, the following belfry nominations were ratified: Messrs. D. A. S. Hawkins, W. S. Deason (Hampton), C. M. R. Orme (Hitchin), R. G. Leale (Surbiton), A. E. Ruston (Luton), P. Mehew (Stotfold), M. J. Palmer (Hillingdon), M. D. Fishwick (Milnrow), R. H. Cook (Asfordby), K. D. Waples (King's Langley), D. Cooper (Bolsover), R. Withyman (Pinchbeck) and Mrs. M. Roast (Danbury). J. B. Gardiner (Lessingham Manor) was elected a ringing member, R. Bradbury and J. Young (Coltishall) probationary members, and J. Copeland (Norwich) an honorary member.

The president (Mr. F. N. Golden) paid a tribute to Mr. C. V. Ebberson, who died on October 1st, and members stood in silence.

It was decided to hold the annual Branch meeting in Norwich on January 9th at St. George's, Colegate (6), before tea, and St. Peter Mancroft's in the evening. Norwich and Westminster Surprise were chosen as the methods to be practised.

Thanks were expressed to the Rev. J. Fellingham for conducting the service, to Mr. W. J. Allen for playing the organ, Mesdames Eglington, Gibling and Bates for serving tea, and the churchwardens for the arrangements made.

BLEWBURY, BERKS.—On Nov. 4th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: C. Corderoy 1, R. B. Blond 2, H. W. Dunsden 3, F. E. Godden 4, J. O. Berry 5, A. R. T. Greenough 6, J. P. Blond (cond.) 7, W. Fulker 8. To record the pleasure of the local band at the improvement in the health of the Vicar (the Rev. R. J. Siderfin).

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION

'Key trouble' delayed the start of the meeting of the Southern District of the Durham and Newcastle Association at Gainford, Co. Durham, on October 31st. When the key was at last located there was still more delay while the chiming apparatus was adjusted.

There was a good gathering of members with visitors from Tees-side, the North and West Ridings and from Durham University. Methods rung included Plain Bob Minor, Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Oxford T.B. combined, Single Oxford and Forward.

The Vicar (Rev. I. Samuels) was away for the afternoon, so there was no service, but he called at the Queen's Head during tea and made his apologies, and visited the tower during the evening, expressing his pleasure at hearing the bells ringing again.

At the business meeting the District vice-president (Mr. F. W. Cooke) congratulated his predecessor, Mr. T. Cooke, on his election as president of the Association.

Mr. Eric Thompson, of Heighington, was elected a member, and the next meeting—a joint event with the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association—was fixed for January 16th at Stockton.

OXFORD.—On Nov. 8th, at the Church of St. Aldate, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Jean M. Addicott 1, Stella Tridall (first of Minor) 2, J. Venn 3, R. Ainsworth 4, E. Venn (cond.) 5, R. H. Jones 6. Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday Evensong.

ST. MARY CRAY, KENT.—On Nov. 1st, 720 Plain Bob Minor: S. Hardy 1, F. Corrinee 2, R. Beard 3, F. G. Wheller 4, P. G. Braund 5, B. Aldridge (cond.) 6. For All Saints' Day, and also for Confirmation service administered by the Bishop of Tonbridge.

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DORKING (ST. MARTIN'S).—Will visitors please note that there will be no practice on Monday next, November 23rd. 5279

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MEETINGS

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting, Newton, Saturday, Nov. 21st. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 5221

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.E. District.—Meeting, Mistley, Saturday, Nov. 21st. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. 5181

GUILDFORD GUILD.—Leatherhead District.—Nomination meeting, Ewell, Saturday, Nov. 21st. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Church Room 5 p.m. Notifications to Mrs. Munday, 37, Bradford Drive, Ewell (Ewell 4986). Further ringing after meeting.—A. H. Smith. 5183

HAWKHURST GUILD. — Meeting, Saturday, Nov. 21st, Sedlescombe. 5244

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—Meeting, Barnet, Saturday, Nov. 21st, 3 p.m. Please make own tea arrangements at nearby cafes.—S. Huckle, Dis. Sec. 5270

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—By-meeting, Saltwood, Saturday, Nov. 21st. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m.—C. T. H. 5223

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Quarterly meeting, St. John's (8), Epping, Essex, Saturday, Nov. 21st. Ringing 3.30 to 5 p.m. Tea, own arrangements. Business meeting in belfry 6.15 p.m. Further ringing till 8.30 p.m. Everyone welcome. A good attendance, please.—Bullock, Sec. 5230

MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.—S. and W. District.—Meeting, St. Catherine's, Feltham (10) Saturday, Nov. 21st. Ringing 3 to 5 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Own tea arrangements.—E. R. Gotham, Hon. Dis Sec. 5225

SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Monthly meeting, Snaith, Saturday, Nov. 21st. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Please provide own food—cups of tea only available.—L. M. Woodhead, Hon. Sec 5264

SUFFOLK GUILD.—A joint meeting of Eye and Stowmarket Districts will be held at Stowmarket, Saturday, Nov. 21st. Election of new officers for the new District. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. 5200

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.—Practice meeting, Aldrington (6), Saturday, Nov. 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—Geo. North, 11, Richmond Terrace, Brighton. 5201

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Southern District.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, Nov. 21st. Ringing at Eastwood (8), 3 to 7 p.m.; Thrybergh (6), 3 to 5 p.m.; Rotherham Parish Church (10), 7 to 9 p.m. Tea in St. Stephen's Parish Church Hall, Eastwood, 5 p.m.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Axbridge Deanery.—Practice meeting, Locking, Saturday, Nov. 28th. Bells (6) 5 p.m.—David H. White. 5249

CHESTER GUILD. — Stockport Branch. — Meeting at Stalybridge (Holy Trinity), Saturday, Nov. 28th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. For tea, please advise Mr. J. S. Jackson, 41, Lord Street, Stalybridge, by Tuesday, Nov. 24th.—C. K. Lewis. 5277

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Derby District.—Monthly meeting, Breaston, Saturday, Nov. 28th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Names for tea to W. A. Morley, Dis. Sec., 29, Short Row, Belper.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Hunts District. — Meeting, Godmanchester, Saturday, Nov. 28th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 5256

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Ludlow and Church Stretton District.—Quarterly meeting, Cleobury Mortimer, Saturday, Nov. 28th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Teas.—G. Randle, Ashford, Ludlow. 5257

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Cheltenham Branch.—Monthly meeting, Swindon Village (5), Saturday, Nov. 28th, 3 p.m. Names for tea by Nov. 24th. A.G.M., St. Mary's, Cheltenham (12), Saturday, Dec. 12th.—Mary Bliss, Beech Pike, Cheltenham. 5260

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Rural Branch.—Monthly meeting at Bitton (8), Saturday, Nov. 28th. Bells 3 p.m. Service, tea and meeting to follow. Annual meeting, Mangotsfield, Saturday, Dec. 19th.—F. R. Hussey, 39, Gordon Avenue, Whitehall, Bristol, 5. 5253

GUILD OF MEDICAL RINGERS.—London meeting, Saturday, Nov. 28th. Ringing: St. Mary's, Barnes, 3 to 4 p.m.; St. Mary's, Putney, 4.15 to 5.15; All Saints', Wandsworth, 5.30 to 6.30 p.m. Dinner 7.15 p.m., The Redcliffe Hotel, Fulham Road. Names to D. L. Gullick, Mount View, Stevenage. 5255

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Bolton Branch.—Meeting, St. Bartholomew's, Bolton, Saturday, Nov. 28th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Business follows tea. Tea 5 p.m., free *only* if names are sent to Ben Cooper, 123, Plover Street, Bolton. This may be the last meeting at this church. All welcome.—Thornley, Sec. 5266

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Fylde Branch.—Meeting, Holy Trinity, South Shore, Saturday, Nov. 28th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Cups of tea provided.—John F. Turner, Branch Sec. 5262

LINCOLN and SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILDS.—Joint meeting at Norton Disney (6), Saturday, Nov. 28th. Tea for those who notify by Wednesday previous C. Brown, 3, Altham Terrace, Lincoln. Transport available from Newark by notifying Mr. Exton.—C. Brown and W. Exton, Hon. Secs. 5238

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.—Llandaff Branch.—Meeting, Caerphilly, Saturday, Nov. 28th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business to follow.—R. E. Coles, Sec. 5176

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Western Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Castleacre, Saturday, Nov. 28th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by the business meeting. Names for tea not later than Wednesday, 25th, to C. Tovell, 18, New Road, Gaywood, King's Lynn. 5239

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NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Southern Branch.—Meeting, Quidenham (8), on Saturday, Nov. 28th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. in the Reading Room. Special method, Highbury Court Bob. Names for tea by Tuesday, Nov. 24th, to Dr. P. Jonason, The White House, East Harling, Norwich.—C. F. W. Phillippo, Hon. Sec. 5211

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch.—Old Windsor, Saturday, Nov. 28th, 3.15 p.m., Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify me by 25th.—W. Butler, 10, The Avenue, Old Windsor. 5149

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—V.W.H. Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Uffington, Saturday, Nov. 28th. Bells (5) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea, please, by Wednesday, Nov. 25th, to R. F. J. Gilling, Branch Sec., Fernham, Faringdon, Berks. 5258

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northampton Branch.—Business meeting at Kingsthorpe, Saturday, Nov. 28th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to E. Billings, 61, Melville Street, Northampton. 5207

SALISBURY GUILD.—West Dorset Branch.—Annual meeting, Beaminster, Saturday, Nov. 28th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please.—Barrett, 120, Gerrards Green, Beaminster. 5268

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Marlborough Branch. — Annual meeting, Marlborough St. Mary's, Saturday, Nov. 28th. Mildenhall bells available. Names for tea to T. A. Palmer, 16, Oxford Street, Aldbourne, Wilts. 5272

SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Meeting, Rayleigh, Saturday, Nov. 28th. Bells 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m. 5265

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Joint meeting, Mansfield and North Notts Districts at Cuckney (6), Saturday, Nov. 28th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Bring own food—cups of tea provided.—D. H. Rooke, H. Denman, Dis. Secs. 5226

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Nomination meeting will be held at Benhilton, Saturday, Nov. 28th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting in Benhilton School immediately after. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to Miss P. Collin, 2, Gauntlett Road, Sutton, Surrey. Ringing after.—W. Parrott, Hon. Sec. 5170

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Division—Quarterly meeting, All Saints', Hastings, on Saturday, Nov. 28th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to F. Beeney, Sec., Hillbrae, Carters Corner Road, Hailsham. 5267

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Winchester District.—The annual dinner will be held at the Westgate Lodge Hotel, Winchester, on Saturday, Nov. 28th, at 7 p.m. Bar open 6.30 p.m. Tickets 12s. each. Names not later than Nov. 23rd, please.—P. Dickinson, Riverbank Cottage, Cheriton, Nr. Alresford, Hants. 5242

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Branch.—Annual meeting, St. James', Taunton, Saturday, Dec. 5th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea.—A. H. Reed, Mimosa, George Street, Taunton. 5276

DEVON GUILD.—Aylesbeare Branch.—Annual meeting, Topsham, Saturday, Dec. 5th. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Dec. 1st to Mr. R. Berry, 45, Retreat Road, Topsham. 5248

EDENHAM, LINCS.—Dedication of memorial to Arthur I. Holmes, Saturday, Dec. 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday previous to W. A. Holmes, Edenham, Bourne, Lincs. Ringing till 9 p.m. All welcome. 5263

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Eastern Branch.—Next meeting, Saturday, Dec. 5th, at Kirton-in-Holland. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea, Parish Room, 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday, Nov. 30th, to W. E. Clarke, 99, Norfolk Street, Boston. 5269

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Branch.—Meeting, Gorleston-on-Sea, Saturday, Dec. 5th. Bells (8) 2.45 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, Dec. 2nd, certain, please, to Mr. A. W. Bird, Shrublands Cottages, Magdalen Way, Gorleston-on-Sea, Norfolk. — P. Newstead.

College Youth's Daughter's Heroism

Congratulations were extended on Monday by many ringing friends to Mr. A. B. Peck, the veteran College Youth, on the heroism of his daughter, Miss Doreen Peck, a teacher with the C.M.S. Mission in the Belgian Congo. Miss Peck, a graduate of Bristol University, was with a nurse, Miss Josephine Stancliffe, at Ruhengeri when it was attacked by Bahutu tribesmen. They led their people in prayer on the Saturday night before the attack, which was repulsed, the mission defenders shooting rocks with slings and, to quote a correspondent, 'hacking back in a howling, writhing mêlée.'

Miss Josephine Stancliffe motored alone for help, and later Doreen, with Dr. Harold Adeney, who had arrived at the Mission, led the refugee convoy over the border into Uganda. Commented one of the rescuers: 'Josephine and Doreen saved those hundreds of Watutsi.'

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Salisbury Branch. — Practice meeting, Dec. 5th, Steeple Langford. Bells (5) from 2.30. Service 4.15. Cups of tea in Parish Hall. Please bring your own food. Wilton (6) available in evening.—Miss Eloie, Hon. Sec., 8, Albany Road, Salisbury. 5280

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Committee meeting, St. Mary-le-Tower Room, Oak Lane, Ipswich, on Saturday, Dec. 5th, 2.30 p.m.—J. W. Blythe, Gen. Sec., 29, Holton Road, Halesworth. 5271

SUFFOLK GUILD.—A special joint meeting of the Woodbridge, Ipswich and Eastern half of Hadleigh Districts will be held at Ipswich, Saturday, Dec. 5th. Election of officers for new S.E. District. Bells: St. Margaret's, 2.30 to 4.15 p.m. Service, St. Mary-le-Tower, 4.30. Meeting 5 at St. Mary-le-Tower. Bells 6 to 9 p.m. Make own arrangements for tea.—C. R. Lovett. 5275

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Nomination meeting at Reigate (10) on Saturday, Dec. 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. A. Streeter, 4, Maple Road, Earlswood. 5282

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD.—Southern District.—Annual District meeting at Sketty, Saturday, Dec. 5th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Names for tea, please, to J. T. Williams, 56, Morfydd Street, Morriston, Swansea. 5247

UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY.—Preliminary notice.—The annual reunion and dinner day of the University of Bristol Society of Change Ringers will be held on Saturday, Jan. 23rd, 1960. Further details later—Jane Cook, Secretary. 5278

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Preliminary Notice.—The annual committee meeting will be held in Salisbury on Saturday, Jan. 30th, 1960. Agenda and details to follow.—W. C. West, Hon. Gen. Sec. 5252

OBITUARY

MISS S. NOBLE

On Sunday morning, September 27th, Miss S. Noble, a 73-year-old member of the Cumberland and North Westmorland Change Ringers' Association, collapsed in the Church of St. John, Cleator Moor, and passed away in the early hours of the following morning. The Vicar (the Rev. W. A. Batty), whose induction took place three days earlier, said at the funeral service that no one could wish to die under better circumstances, her last act being the partaking of Holy Communion.

MR. T. OWEN

With deep regret we report the passing away on November 1st of Mr. T. Owen, Newlands, Johnstown, Carmarthen, aged 65, an esteemed member of the St. David's Diocesan Guild. Mr. T. Owen commenced his ringing career with the Llanstephan band, and for the last 14 years was a valuable member of St. Peter's, Carmarthen, band of ringers.

The sympathy of the Guild is extended to Mrs. T. Owen and only child Mrs. Livesey.

W. L. W.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION

The Monmouth Branch quarterly meeting was held at Rumney on October 17th. Many Minor and Doubles methods were rung on these very pleasant bells.

Assisting Canon C. K. Lewis (Vicar of Rumney) at the ringers' service were the Rev. Ivor J. Richards, Rural Dean of Raglan, and Mr. Ron Lucas, lay reader.

An excellent tea was served in the Church Hall by Mrs. Griffen and her helpers, who were warmly thanked by Mr. F. Hannington.

At the business meeting two new members were elected from Caldicot—Miss Enid Evans and Miss Barbara Porter. Progress was reported from Caerleon and Llangibby.

Usk was chosen for the annual Branch meeting. Mention was made of the Branch dinner, to be held on the last Saturday of January at the Tudor Rooms, Newport.

5,056 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

By P. G. K. DAVIES

23456	B	M	W	H
35264	X			
25634			2	—
32654			—	
32546	X			—
43526			—	
43265	X			—
64235			—	
24536		—		3
32465	X			2

Repeated.

Contains 14 combinations: 2 and 3 never in 6th's.

Rung at New Mills on September 12th, 1959, conducted by Robert B. Smith.

LATE NOTICE

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Preliminary notice.—Annual dinner, Feb. 6th, 1960, at the Deacon's Restaurant, 6, Walbrook, London, E.C.4. Tickets available from F. J. Matthews, 145, Wimbledon Park Road, Southfields, S.W.18. 5281

SOME AUTUMN OUTINGS

S.F.E. AUTUMN TOUR, 1959

Thanks to removals, holidays and liberal employers, the Society of Friends of the Exercise (S.F.E.) were able to commence their September week-end with a good peal of Stedman Triples at Littleham, S. Devon (8, 8½ cwt.), on September 25th, conducted by Reg. Hooper.

Meanwhile, the remainder of the party had assembled in East Budleigh. After the usual formality of drinking the founder's health, they were all deposited with kindly villagers for two nights' 'b. and b.' Next morning motor-cycles were left behind, thanks to Harry Luxton and George Ellett, who not only accommodated people but put their cars in the 'transport pool' and went along to join in the ringing.

Eventually, by devious routes, vehicles arrived early at Jacobstowe, and set an unprecedented pattern for the day. 'Whaddever do'ee wanna ring 'ere vor?', was the greeting. Apart from the novelty of a 'J' tower, the bells (5, 6½ cwt.) were well worth ringing and sufficient answer to that question.

Onward then to the beautifully-kept church at Black Torrington, to ring sundry methods on a very fine six (8¼ cwt. in F sharp!) and meet the Rev. J. G. M. Scott, who also joined the party at Buckland Filleigh. There the church nestles close to Buckland House (now a preparatory school), and it was necessary to go *through* the organ to reach a neglected ringing chamber. With a tenor sally that almost touched the floor, this five (7½ cwt.) presented the biggest challenge of the day.

Lunch was taken in the New Inn, Shebbear, before the village bells (6, 10 cwt.) were set going. A young band is learning change-ringing under the guidance of John L. Queen, and some of them rang with the visitors. Later, at Petrockstow (6, 10 cwt.), a local call-change ringer was heard to prefer 'Queens' to 'scientific,' which could have been better.

Another outpost of 'scientific' was found at Petersmarland (6, 9 cwt.), where the ringing was better. 'Two smart peals only' were remembered from the 1956 S.F.E. week, over tea in Great Torrington.

Next, the church at Little Torrington was located easily by all except the S. Devon native. The bells there were the heaviest six of the day (12 cwt.).

Before ringing at Iddesleigh (6, 10 cwt.) there was time to halt en route at Merton and listen to the Down St. Mary team ringing a competition 'peal.' This was an enjoyable interlude of good striking.

At the end of the day Broadwood Kelly bells (6, 9¼ cwt.) sounded well before the last Ring o' Bells at Winkleigh was visited for supper. Here and elsewhere the community singing lapsed into something of a 'wild west show.'

Sunday, September 27th, dawned fair and bright to the sound of the usual S.F.E. quarter peal attempt at East Budleigh going its usual way—wrong! For mattins, the party split—15 to Sidbury (8, 16¼ cwt.) and one to Topsham. Later, three people bathed properly in the sea, and one young man imitated King Canute—his trousers dried quite quickly though.

During the afternoon members met Mr. and Mrs. George Cross at Chardstock (6, 13 cwt.), and rang St. Ambrose T.B. Minor—an irregular method which produced corresponding ringing. Finally, after tea, Chard bells (8, 23 cwt.) were rung to D.N.C.B., London, Spliced Major, etc., before Evensong and the party dispersed.

Grateful thanks go to those who allowed the S.F.E. to ring their bells and to the local ringers who welcomed them: also to the clerk of the weather and the organisers. We'll be back next year, Devon—here's to the next time.

'SUNBEAM.'

DAY TOUR IN SOMERSET

On October 24th a small party of ringers from Twerton-on-Avon and friends had an enjoyable day in Central Somerset.

The first tower was Kingsdon, where we were met by the Rev. R. Eglin. The bells are a glorious heavy six (tenor 24 cwt. in D) hung on ball-bearings, and we were sorry to hear from the Rector that the bells were not rung very often now. At Long Sutton Mr. Lewis greeted us, and Mr. E. T. P. Field joined in Stedman Doubles on this lovely ring of five (tenor 17½ cwt. in E). There was an abrupt ending to the ringing at Langport (6, tenor 17 cwt. in F) when the slider came out of the second. This was quickly put right by Mr. Locke.

After lunch we visited Othery, with its anti-clockwise five (tenor 18 cwt. in E) of good tone, and Lyng, with a ground floor ring of five (17 cwt. in E) which were rehung by Mears and Stainbank four years ago. The Vicar (Rev. A. Ereaut) showed us around the lovely old church.

The light five at Durston provided variety; they are the front five of a ring of eight. 'Dove's Guide' gives the tenor as 13 cwt., but the bell is only 36 inches across, so we thought 8 cwt. was nearer the mark.

The next tower was Thurloxton, where Mr. E. Mills greeted us. The five (tenor 6½ cwt.) were rehung last year by J. Taylor and Co., and are a pleasure to ring. Mr. E. Mills pointed out that the third was cast in 1300. Lastly, Shapwick, where Mr. E. Skinner was waiting for us; the bells are a very good six. The ringing ended with a good fall in peal. A. F. L.

AN OUTING TO MID-KENT

A mixed band of ringers produced some very mixed ringing while visiting Kent on October 3rd. The six bells at Ash-by-Wrotham, the first tower, were found to be rather awkward, but there are hopes that they will be rehung. Reg Sills met the party and joined in some Cambridge at Wrotham, having one of the county's best octaves. Before lunch, visits were paid to Yalding (6), with its very long sallies, the Bowell eight at Marden, and Headcorn, having a heavy-going ring rung from the gallery.

Unfortunately, after lunch, justice was not done to the excellent eight at Frittenden; Benenden will be remembered for a respectable lower in peal—Rolvenden for a fast course of Yorkshire. Tenterden's bells were too heavy for the band and the party were unable to produce anything good except a plain course of Grandsire.

The evening's programme included Hawkhurst, where a fair course of London was rung; the delightful new Mears six at Kilndown; Goudhurst, a rather odd-struck octave; Horsmonden, where Bristol went well; and Brenchley. The band extend thanks to all who helped to make arrangements for the outing.

I. H. O.

CLITHEROE, LANCS

Knowing Clitheroe ringers, it was not surprising that several guests joined them for their outing on October 24th, and there were ripples of merriment throughout the journey. After ringing on two sixes at Silverdale and Milnethorpe, a slight delay arose over a misunderstanding of the term 'Refreshments to suit all tastes.'

At Cartmel's lovely Priory there was a reunion with Mr. J. Blackburn, and at St. Martin's, Bowness, most methods attempted, including London, were rung. A sandwich lunch was partaken of before proceeding to the enjoyable eight at Ambleside. This was followed by tea, and ringing on the light eight at Hawkshead, where the Vicar joined in the ringing. The vote of thanks to those who contributed to the success of the outing must include one to Mr. A. Capstick.

EWELL, SURREY

The increasing popularity of the Cotswolds as an outing resort will have become evident to readers of 'The Ringing World' this year. The Ewell ringers were therefore in the fashion when they rang at six 8-bell towers on September 26th.

Arriving at Hook Norton 20 minutes early (as is their wont), they were allowed to commence ringing straight away, thus getting in more than their allotted time on these splendid bells (tenor 20¼ cwt.). Mr. H. V. Young, Ringing Master of the Leatherhead District, was there, however, before the party, and his steadying influence was appreciated at this and subsequent towers. The ringers were also pleased to have the company of former Ewell ringers George Hill, from Penn, and John and Marjorie Hill, now attached to Hillingdon.

At Chipping Norton, the highest town in Oxfordshire, the church was being decorated for harvest festival, under the supervision of the Vicar (Rev. R. Jeans). Being a native of Epsom (Christ Church), a happy reunion took place with several amongst the party from that tower.

Lunch at Moreton-in-the-Marsh had to be partaken in two sittings. The ringing afterwards helped to advertise the collections being taken by the Rector for the church and bells.

Mr. Ewins, at Stow-on-the-Wold, kindly showed some of the non-ringing tourists the wonderful views across seven counties from the top of the massive tower, which seemed to emphasise the impression of compact spaciousness characteristic of this area. The bells (tenor 27½ cwt.) were rehung five years ago.

The church at Bourton-on-the-Water though mainly modern, like many of the other buildings in this charming village, goes back into history. The square tower of 1795 has a diamond-shaped clock face and is crowned with a cupola, while at each corner stands a small urn.

Tea was enjoyed at the Devonshire Tea Gardens close by the River Windrush. The time spent in this lovely place soon passed: some went to the flower show; others looked at the model village or the bird garden, the latter being an estate two acres in extent, in which are to be seen not only many rare trees and flowering shrubs as well as flowers in profusion, but also a fine collection of exotic birds with gorgeous plumage. Here are toucans, macaws, cockatoos and lovebirds, lories, gouldians and budgerigars; there are even cranes and penguins.

It was difficult to get the coaches away on time, especially as the party was large, 76 in all, comprising 14 Ewell ringers, 12 other ringers, 32 parishioners and 18 other friends.

Some of the less expert found one or two of the bells at Shipton-under-Wychwood a little less easy to manage than those to which they were more accustomed. In spite of this, good use was made of them and several good touches were brought round under the spire of this large Early-English church.

Within easy walking distance stands one of the most attractive inns in the district, a fine example of the intelligent blending of ancient with modern. The travellers discovered this hostelry with satisfaction, demonstrating in a sober way their ability to take pleasure in interests other than ringing. J. E. B.

AYLESTONE, LEICS.—On Nov. 1st. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Sandra Chesterton 1, P. Martin 2, Patricia Wardle 3, T. Roper 4, R. Morris 5, Rev. P. Blackman (cond.) 6. For the Feast of All Saints.

SAPCOTE, LEICS.—On Sept. 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: L. Watkins (first quarter, aged 11) 1, Miss J. Stratford 2, Rita Stratford 3, Miss D. Stratford 4, M. E. Brown (cond.) 5, J. A. Hill 6. For Wake festival. Also on Oct. 18th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: L. Watkins 1, Miss J. Stratford 2, Mrs. M. E. Brown 3, Rita Stratford 4, T. C. Belton 5, M. E. Brown (cond.) 6. To welcome Mr. T. C. Belton, who conducted Evensong.

5,024 HUDDERSFIELD SURPRISE MAJOR

By CHARLES W. ROBERTS

23456	B	M	W	H
45236			—	—
62534		—		—
62345	X			—
46325			—	3
36524		—		
23645	X			2
34256	X			
52436			2	2
43526			—	—
53624		—		
32546	X			
54326			—	—
35426			3	—
64523		—		—
42635	X			3
23456	X			

First rung on October 15th, 1959, at Willesden, Middlesex.

QUARTER PEALS

ASTON, WARWICKS.—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. S. Burbidge (first quarter) 1, D. T. Finnemore 2, R. C. Ingram 3, D. R. Ingram 4, E. J. Franklin (cond.) 5, M. G. Ingram 6. For Evensong.

BROUGHTON, LANCS.—On Oct. 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Maryl Crossthwaite 1, Judy Moir 2, D. Lawson 3, Betty Faunch 4, J. Joileys 5, J. Couperthwaite (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of E. Roger Martin.

CAMBERWELL, S.E.—At the Church of St. George, on Oct. 18th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: E. R. Iveson 1, L. V. Roberts 2, J. Rae 3, B. P. Danbury 4, D. E. J. Watts 5, F. R. L. Blewer 6, J. Phillips (cond.) 7, D. Randall 8. For Evensong, and as a welcome to the new Vicar (the Rev. Eric James).

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