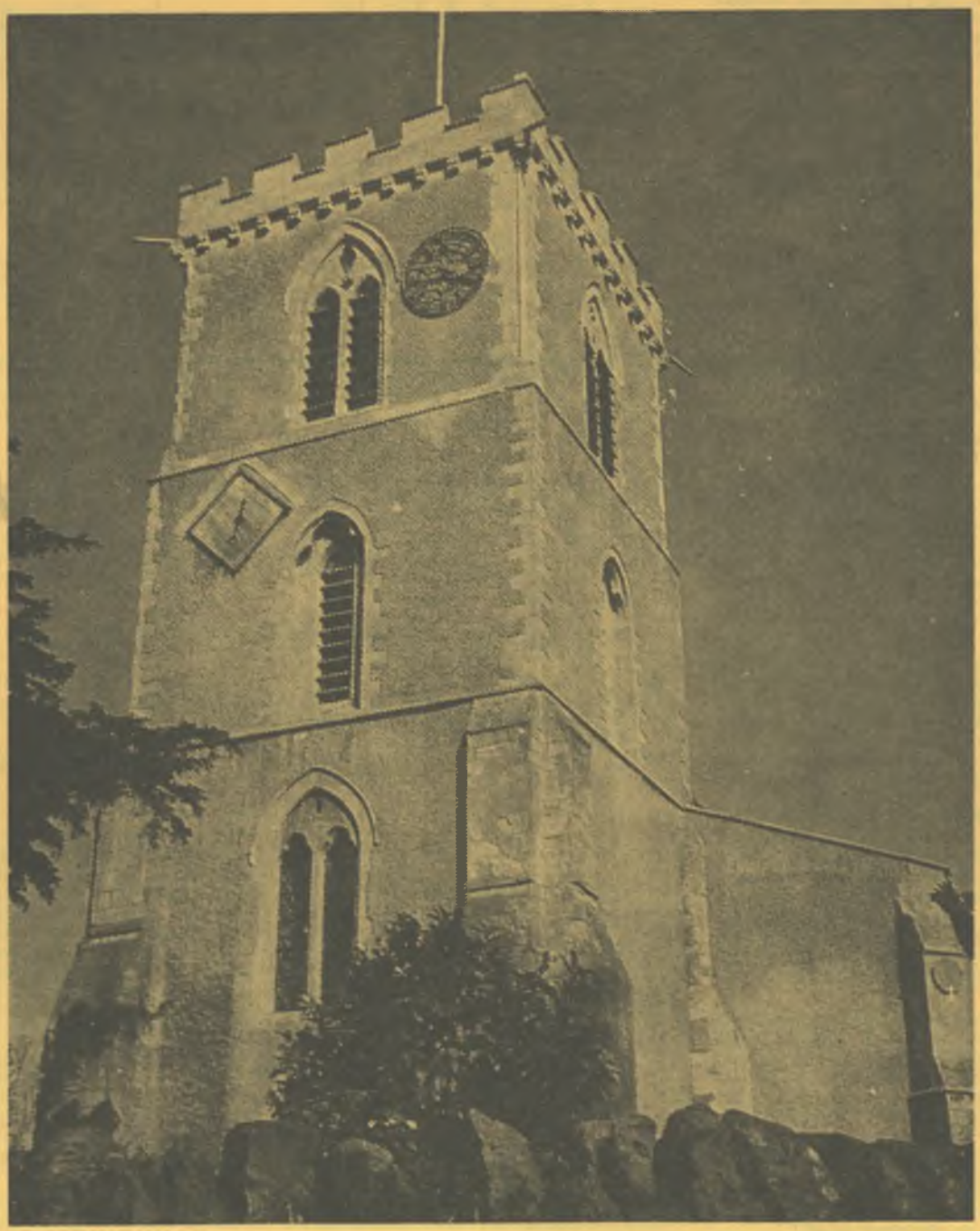
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St. Matthew's Church, Harwell, Berkshire

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OUR COVER PICTURE

St. Matthew's Church, Harwell, Berkshire

By DOUGLAS JORDAN

THIS parish church was mainly built in the 13th century; its size reflects the existence of a considerable population in the village, then on the main Wallingford–Gloucester highway. The church has rubble walls of clunch covered with plaster inside and with roughcast outside and stands on a small eminence adjacent to Prince's Manor Farm. It is likely that there was a church here at the time of the Norman Conquest, probably a chancel and aisleless nave. Of the latter, some foundations which included stones set in the herringbone style were found in 1963.

The present building, completed about 1325, appears to have been constructed as follows:

1190–1200 N. and S. Transepts.
1200–1220 Tower and Nave Arcades.
1270–1310 Chancel.
1275–1325 S. and N. Aisle Walls reconstructed. Porch.

The interior of the church, simple yet spacious both in width and height, reflects the concepts of the original designers and exhibits several interesting features of mediæval craftsmanship in stone and in wood.

The upper parts of two windows on the north side of the chancel contain various fragments of mediæval grisaille glass which were reassembled in 1959.

The shield in the east window is that of Piers Gaveston, who become connected with the church when created Earl of Cornwell in 1307, and a stone nearly ten feet long, placed centrally on the floor of the chancel and having on it the matrix of a large cross, may commemorate the Rector (Roger de Marlowe) in whose time the chancel was built.

The timbered oak roofs are mainly original and therefore of particular interest because the survival of such early roofs is rare. The oldest, that in the south transept, consists of scissor-braced trusses with a central purlin; this type of roof was later modified by providing massive tie-beams and kingposts in the manner seen in the nave. The presence of two horizontal collars per truss and the jowl on each kingpost are unique for this area but occur in the roofs of similar date in Essex and Northern France.

The chancel roof presents a slightly later and more elegant form of kingpost construction; some of the timbers were replaced when the chancel was restored in 1932.

The roof which supports the ringing chamber in the tower is a further example of original mediæval work and the presence of nook shafts at the angles of the upper stage of the tower and the design of their capitals are relics of the Transitional Norman style. Of the two clocks in the tower, clearly seen in our cover photograph, the modern clock commemorates Valentine Baker, Pilot Officer, R.A.F., killed in action 1943, and replaced the single-handed clock dated 1703. The old clock is still in good condition and the stone weights are now used—to stretch new bell ropes!

Of the nine bells hanging in the tower eight are ringing bells and one a sanctus bell. Details of founder, date and inscriptions are as follows:

Treble.—E, 4 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb., J. Taylor and Co., 1932.
2.—D sharp, 4 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb., J. Taylor and Co., 1932.
3.—C sharp, 5 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb., W. Yare, 1611.
4.—B, 6 cwt. 3 qr. 2 lb., J. Carter, 1590.
5.—A, 8 cwt. 14 lb., W. Yare, 1611.
6.—G sharp, 9 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb., W. Yare, 1615.
7.—F sharp, 13 cwt. 1 qr. 27 lb., J. Carter, 1597.
Tenor.—E, 16 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb., W. Yare, 1612.

The inscriptions engraved on the bells are:

Sanctus: "R. Wells, Abourns" (no date).
No. 3: "Humphrie Loder gave this bell 1611".
No. 4: "Prayse ye the Lorde—1590".
Nos. 5, 6, 7, 8 each have on them: "This bell was made . . . " followed by the date, as given above.

The two bells cast in 1932 have just the founder's name and date on them. It was in 1932 that extensive work was carried out to the tower and staircase and a new metal bell frame installed. Two new trebles were added and the complete octave rehung in the new frame. All this work was entrusted to the founder of the new bells, J. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough.

Since this date little has needed to be done in the way of repairs, except perhaps when the tenor clapper fell out and Whites of Appleton came along to repair a split in the bell frame. This has not altered the "go" of the bells in any way which, in the writer's opinion, is second to none in the county.

Of the men and women who have handled these bells during the past (nearly 400 years) very little is known of the early ringers, and indeed if a complete history were forthcoming space would not permit such a chapter to be recorded. The writer has, therefore, decided to limit the time from roughly the turn of the century to the present day; even so it will only be possible to name a few of the well-known ringing families and maybe one or two individual ringers. The first family that one recalls is, of course, the Hitchmans, who at one time were able to turn out a band themselves, and indeed often did so under the leadership of W. Hitchman. Among the individual ringers one can recall such names as Rice, Cox, Palmer, Gee and many others, all of whom were known by some members of the present band. Of the band as it is today and in fairness to all concerned one must, I think, mention one name, Mr. W. Corderoy, who in addition to being tower foreman has completed 50 years' ringing in this tower, this event being duly celebrated with a peal and presentation earlier this year.

This then is a very brief history of the church, bells and ringers of Harwell, and should any reader wish to find out more may the writer suggest that there are four good roads leading to this village and that a trip down this way may be worth while.

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UDALL SURPRISE

Frank Udall's "mystery tour" of Saturday, June 21st, proved to be yet another attempt to conquer the East country. Ringers and friends from the Central London area left early, by coach, from South Kensington and those with a sense of direction soon guessed that our route would lead us to Essex. Our first call was a surprise, however, just over the border to Bishop's Stortford, Herts. This was our only 10 bell tower of the day, the others being the eights at Great Bardfield, Coggeshall and Great Waltham and the sixes at Systed and Greenstead Green.

Since many of the party were only learners, most of the ringing ranged from rounds to Grandsire and Plain Bob, though an "eminent London ringer" looked up his start and enabled the experts to ring Cambridge.

The best treat of the day was tea at Systed, organised by our friends from Bocking, who provided a magnificent country "spread"! Our thanks to all tower captains and incumbents, but especially to Frank and Julie, whose organisation gave us an excellent day out. M. R. W.

Healthy Look About W & P Guild

THE 1969 annual general meeting of the Guild was held on July 5th at Christchurch. The morning was spent ringing in the New Forest area, the route ending at the Priory.

The meeting itself, held in the pleasant surroundings of a newly-refurbished Priory Hall, was attended by about 60 members and friends, who were welcomed by the Master of the Guild, Mr. R. R. Savory.

In presenting his balance sheet for 1968 the general treasurer, Mr. T. H. Francis, revealed a healthy financial situation. The balance was down by only £14 even though over £90 had been donated to restoration and augmentation funds.

RECORD PEAL YEAR

A record peal total of 106 was reported by Mr. D. T. Matkin, the peal recorder. This was the first time a century had been scored, a major contribution having been made by the Andover District of 35 peals, under the leadership of Mr. G. K. Dodd, to celebrate their 40th anniversary. In 62 towers peals had been rung, 237 ringers taking part under 38 conductors, with 38 members ringing their first peal.

Unfortunately the librarian was not present at the meeting and he had not submitted a written report, thus this was not available.

The Master, as junior member, summarised the 1969 C.C. meeting at which, once again, the Guild was fully represented. All our representatives were unanimous in rating this meeting the dullest they had attended.

RISE IN MEMBERSHIP

The general secretary, Mr. D. J. Forder, reported on the Guild's activities of the past year. Membership at the end of 1968 stood at 800, an increase of 150 in three years. Restoration work had been completed at Upper Clatford, Crawley and Overton, the Guild having contributed to all these. At last year's A.G.M. Mr. R. R. Savory had been elected Master; the secretary expressed his thanks to Canon Felstead, the previous Master, for the assistance he had received during his first three years as general secretary. Mrs. M. Chapman, on leaving the area, had retired after nine years' service as general treasurer, for which the Guild was most grateful.

The first Guild dinner was held in March 22nd at the Royal Hotel, Southampton, at which 98 were present; in fact it was oversubscribed by about 30. The event had been unanimously declared a success and it is to be hoped that this will become an annual occasion.

A change of rule, proposed by the Master and seconded by the secretary, which included Southampton in the list of A.G.M. venues, was carried unanimously.

GRANTS TO TOWERS

Requests for grants for tower restoration work were received from Heckfield, Easton and Bishop's Waltham. Donations were voted to all three.

Mr. A. V. Davis proposed that the Guild once again donate £10 10s. to "The Ringing World". This was seconded by Mr. T. H. Francis. After some debate and a show of hands this was carried by a 2 to 1 majority.

Mr. L. D. Duguid, secretary of the Portsmouth District, proposed the election of Mr. Morgan Marshall, of Havant, as a life member, he having completed 50 years' Guild membership. Canon Felstead seconded and it was carried unanimously.

Basingstoke was agreed as the venue of the 1970 meeting, and after some pleading by Canon Felstead for a change in date the first Saturday in July was decided upon.

D. J. F.

ERITH RINGERS REACH 700 PEAL MARK

On August 15th a peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at St. John-the-Baptist's Church, Erith, bringing the number of peals on these famous bells to the remarkable total of 700. Fred Cullum, now 70 years old, has taken part in exactly 400 of this huge number—more peals have been rung at this church than any other, the secular tower at Loughborough Bell Foundry being the only place to exceed this total.

Fred lives in the house in which he was born, some quarter-mile or so from the church where he has been a ringer for 54 years. A past Master of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths, he rang his first peal at Crayford on December 26th, 1917. He was joined in the 700th peal at Erith by a lifelong friend, Bert Audsley, also a past Master of the Cumberlands, and Arthur Mason, who was a chorister at St. John's over 50 years ago. These old friends have in recent years become known affectionately to the younger generation as the Three Wise Men. There is no immediate record of the number of peals in which all three have taken part together at St. John's but it must be considerable. All three took part in the 500th, 600th and 700th peals on the bells.

Philip and Andrew Corby took part in both the 600th and the 700th peals, and for the 700th peal Fred, who conducted Holt's Ten-Part, decided to make the method Grandsire Triples so as to include Jim Stevens and Bill Blewitt of the local band. The eighth member of the band was Trevor Cross, who has taken part in a good many of the Erith Friday night peals.

A picture of the band with the priest-in-charge, Rev. H. K. Freestone, was taken for "The Kentish Times" and appeared with an account of the event in the issue of August 22nd.

Fine Doubles Achievement from Hampshire

HAMPSHIRE is fortunate in that it has two areas in which Doubles ringing thrives. Not just Grandsire, Plain Bob and Stedman, but all the colourful methods and variations which have featured in "The Ringing World" during 1968, and which, in the writer's opinion, can introduce that speck of variety into a 6-bell practice, enabling at least four ringers to continue progressing beyond the "standard three".

In the Hordle / Ringwood area quarter peals of multi-Doubles are frequent, and they are now pealing them on handbells. In the Winchester/Southampton area several peals have been attempted, with some success. The achievement by Cambridge University on March 1st, 1968, at Litlington, in ringing 220 methods/variations seemed then a record that was insurpassable, especially as, that Whitsun, extents used at Litlington containing six Grandsire type variations were banned by new Central Council rules.

Our first ray of light came from Mr. F. T. Blagrove, who explained, in some very detailed letters, how a peal of 168 methods/variations was possible under the new rules. This was followed by long lists of acceptable methods in "The Ringing World"; but how to put all these together for a record composition! It seemed, however, that we had underestimated the abilities of Mr. A. J. Mason, tower captain of Winchester College. He used up a complete vacation and several exercise books to present before us, neatly typewritten, a peal of 221 m/v. Sundry peal and quarter peal attempts were arranged to ring sections of this, generally without success. More vacation work resulted in 223 m/v, but still no ringing success.

On Saturday, August 9th, we assembled at Stockbridge for another attempt, and after two false starts were well under way when "something funny" happened in Shipway's Place. Over refreshment we agreed to try for the full peal the next day and, in pessimistic mood, also booked December 20th, 21st and 22nd as well! On the Sunday we met at Barton Stacey, to be greeted with the news that the fifth rope was worn on the garter hole and the new rope hadn't arrived. Inspection proved that one strand had gone, but after shifting the rope up it was decided that it would be good practice anyway. The start was remarkably smooth and all went surprisingly well, although somewhat slower than in previous attempts. By the time we reached extent 15, the last of the spliced methods, the conductor couldn't believe it and hence became erratic in the first of the variations. Apart from some roughness in this, the first lead of extent 16, the ringing was of a very good standard and speed until, in extent 37, the fifth rope started to creak. A sudden slowing of pace in St. Simon's and many unspoken prayers kept the rope in one piece, and so after 2 hours and 35 minutes the impossible had been achieved.

Those taking part were Miss Katharine J. Maundrell, of Winchester Cathedral, Messrs. R. S. Parratt and D. R. Fallick, of Romsey Abbey, the last-named being deputy captain, Mr. A. J. Mason, tower captain of Winchester College, Mr. B. R. M. Johnson, ex-Winchester College and now at Watford, and Mr. D. C. Jackson, of Fawley.

The conductor wishes to commend most sincerely the efforts of Anthony Mason in his composition, and to thank the many treble and tenor ringers of our lost attempts who would have rung their first peal, or who have been wheedled into participation by honeyed words and gargantuan promises by the conductor.

LYMPNE, KENT.—On Aug. 16th, 1,260 Doubles: Judith Brooks 1, Rachel J Sinden 2, Elizabeth A. Todd (cond.) 3, R. J. Elliott 4, B. G. Butcher 5, M. J. Taylor 6. A wedding compliment to Patricia and Brian Machin.

HANDBELLS IN THE ARCTIC

This summer four ringers from St. George's, Jesmond — Andrew Craddock, Rodney Yeates, John Pardoe and Geoffrey White — spent two weeks in Sweden and Finland. They took with them six handbells borrowed from Newcastle Cathedral, to educate the natives!

On the boat out they rang a quarter peal and found it a most effective method of clearing the deck. After an unfortunate accident they rang a handbell peal outside the police station at Ivolo in Lapland. ("If they put us away, think of the number of peals we'll get!" someone commented.) Fortunately the police did not blame them and they travelled south.

Later events included a night in the open outside Rovaniemi Station, Lapland. The party were approached by four Finnish "yobbos" who spoke no English. Imagining they were Anglophiles, the four rang handbells for them, hoping they would think it was the latest thing from the land of the Beatles. They weren't very impressed!

The peal was the first rung in the Arctic Circle. It was appropriate that it should be rung for the Durham and Newcastle Association. Other notable stunts for the D. and N. have been the first peals on the continent of South America and the first down a coalmine.

A LITTLE TOUR OF DEVON

A noble company of two left Hythe, Kent, in the small hours of Sunday, July 27th, gradually picking up bleary-eyed members along the road to Rolvenden. With "the load" stabilised by hammer and string, we (ten ringers and one mini-bus) had a good run down to the picturesque county of Devon. A suitable camping site was found, and by the time that the tents were erected the whole of Devon must have realised that we had arrived.

The deluge of Monday caught some of the party unprepared and forced them to arrive wringing wet at various towers. David and Jenny Manger rang with us on Monday and Tuesday and camped with us on Tuesday night—sufficient time for David to discover that our tents weren't long enough to accommodate him.

All 31 of the towers rung at were well worth the visit, with Buckfast Abbey providing many of our men with their heaviest bells to date. We were proud to view the Abbey at different angles from the ordinary tourist. At another tower a local ringer taught us Devon call changes so "look out, Kent."

Non-ringing activities included a lunch-time swim, a knobbly knees competition, an un-floodlit game of football and a search for a tower that was seen in the distance on several occasions. It turned out to be a memorial to Stringer Lawrence, a British soldier!

On our last day we joined the rank and file of British tourists who visited the Becky waterfalls. Unlike most of them, some of our party got to the top of the falls the hard way, bathing one of our organisers in the process. We extend our thanks to the incumbents and ringers of the towers where we were able to ring for their kind co-operation, to Keith for arranging the towers and to John for pedalling so hard.

Mad Men of Kent (and Maidens).

BEDFORDSHIRE BRIDES

FLEMING—ELLISON

There has been romance in official circles in the Bedfordshire Association. Biggleswade District secretary Mr. Keith Fleming married at St. Mary's, Maulden, the press secretary, Miss Linda Ellison, of Stotfold. The bridegroom looked to the Association to provide his best man, Mr. Anthony Smith, and the groomsmen, Mr. Stephen Ivin and Mr. Colin Mann.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. P. G. Oakley and there was ringing before and after the service. The bride wore an empire line white satin dress with a cotton crochet bodice, sleeves and skirt trim. She carried a bouquet of gold tea roses and her headdress, which held her long veil in place, was a flowered cap. Seven-year-old Frances Oakley was her attendant in an aquamarine open-weave dress. She carried a basket of lilies-of the-valley and sweet peas.

The honeymoon was spent in Yorkshire and their new home is at 28, High Street, Houghton Conquest.

MITCHELL—EDWARDS

The wedding took place on August 9th, at the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, Goldington, between Miss Mary Elizabeth Edwards, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Edwards, of 24, Mount Drive, Bedford, and Mr Leslie Ian Mitchell, only son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Mitchell, of 40, Coventry Road, Bedford.

The bride was a pupil at Bedford High School and a graduate of Loughborough University of Technology and is a member of the Bedfordshire Association. The bridegroom is an employee of Messrs. Charles Churchill (Bedford) Ltd. and is a member of the Royal Observer Corps.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a classic dress of white embroidered satin and carried a bouquet of roses, lilies-of-the-valley and stephanotis. She was attended by her three sisters, Christine, Sylvia and Judith, who wore long empire line dresses of turquoise satin and carried posies of roses, carnations and stephanotis. Mr. Stephen Green was best man.

The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. G. R. S. Ritson.

The bells were rung before the ceremony by members of the St. Paul's, Bedford, band and afterwards by the Goldington ringers.

J. H. E.

Iced Cake for Biggleswade District Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Biggleswade District of the Bedfordshire Association was held at Henlow on August 9th. Ringing began at 3 p.m. and continued until 5 p.m., when tea was partaken at the home of one of the local ringers. It was an excellent meal and included an iced cake, suitably inscribed and decorated with six bells. The cake had been provided by the mother of another local ringer and was duly cut, jointly, by the president of the Association and the District chairman.

Due to the absence of the District secretary and Press secretary, who were on their honeymoon, Mick Down and Mary Mann were voted in these respective positions for the meeting. The District officers were congratulated on their recent peal for the wedding of Keith Fleming and Linda Ellison, which was reputed to be the first by District officers. The meeting concluded with Mr. Rushton conveying a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, having previously thanked the ladies for the tea arrangements.

SCARBOROUGH & DISTRICT OUTING

The fifth outing of Scarborough and District ringers was on July 12th to Teesside, with morning ringing at Saltburn and Marske. An excellent lunch was served at a new cafe in Middlesbrough.

County Durham was entered to ring on the noble bells of Stockton Parish Church, where some of the party encountered ten bells for the first time. Back into Yorkshire to St. Cuthbert's, Ormesby, so beautifully tucked away in the trees; here a small belfry did not really suit the large party. Then a short ride to Guisborough for a picnic tea and a ring from the church balcony on the easy-going bells.

A glorious ride over the moors to the old-world fishing port of Whitby and the Church of St. Mary perched high overlooking the harbour. Here we were joined by Mr. S. Elwick and Dan Beach and ringing finished in fine style with a good fall on the back eight. Our thanks include a special one to Alan Grundy for acting, with great patience, as Ringing Master for the day.

OTTERY ST. MARY, DEVON. — On Aug. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Arbury (first quarter) 1, K. Clarke 2, L. Hine 3, C. J. Turner (cond.) 4, J. Arbury 5, E. Summers 6, C. C. Deem 7, A. Bennett (first quarter) 8. A golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. E. Marks.

BATH RINGERS VISIT LITTLE-RUNG TOWERS

Ringers from the Bath area held a pleasant outing on August 9th, visiting the following towers in South Gloucestershire and North Wiltshire:—

Shipton Moyne.—Rehung by Taylors in 1962, when the third and fourth were recast. Pleasant ring, just a trifle loud in the ringing chamber. No local band

Oaksey.—Ground-floor ring, very pleasant, but although the bells were rehung in 1960 after being unringable they are now only heard when visitors arrive.

Minety.—Excellent ring, major overhaul in 1958. Here the ringer is aware of a muffled effect when the sallies disappear through the ceiling of the ringing room.

Ashton Keynes. — The third tower without a local band and the first live. Ringing chamber roof timbers look reasonably new but the floor certainly does not feel over-good, even if it is safe. The five are of reasonable tone and need some effort although they are by no means bad.

South Cerney.—One knows on entering the ringing chamber that local activity exists. The six bells are very pleasant and are well kept.

Cricklade.—Here the famous five with a 96 foot draught of rope are not rung very much these days. The worst part is standing looking up at the roof because when one gets going the bells are very enjoyable. The party managed quite a well-struck quarter peal, in which some were inspired by the ringing surroundings with the sun shining on the altar.

A. F. L.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD

There was disappointing support for the North-West District quarterly meeting at Horringer, where there is a gallant young band, on July 12th. The next quarterly meeting is to be changed to Elveden as there is a difficulty in obtaining the Cathedral bells at Bury St. Edmunds. Thanks are due to the Vicar, the Rev. Price Jones, for the service, and parents and friends of Horringer ringers who prepared a splendid tea.

OTHER PEOPLE'S LISTS—Roger Baldwin's 500 Peals

A versatile total of first 500 peals, both in tower and hand, has been rung by Roger A. Baldwin, of Hertford.

TOWER BELLS

Doubles.—Grandsire 1 (conducted 1).

Minor.—Plain Bob 1, 2-7 methods 11 (5).

Surprise Minor.—Cambridge 3 (2), London 1, 7 methods 4 (2), 27 methods 1 (1).

Triples.—Plain Bob 2 (1), Stedman 11 (1), Grandsire 4, Erin 1, 3-Spliced 1.

Major.—Plain Bob 9 (4), Double Norwich 6 (1), Little Bob 1 (1), Grandsire 1 (1), Oxford Treble Bob 1, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob 1, Spliced Plain Bob and Cambridge Surprise 2 (2).

Surprise Major.—London 25 (9), Bristol 19 (13), Cambridge 19 (8), Yorkshire 18 (11), Superlative 5 (2), Painswick 4 (2), Rutland 4 (1), Lincolnshire 3 (1), Pudsey 2 (2), Glasgow 3 (2), Warwickshire 2 (1), Aldenham 2 (1), Uxbridge 2 (2), 1 (1) each of Belfast, Dorchester, Double Glasgow, Ealing, Erdington, Fordham, Gainsborough, Gloucester, Hatfield, Haymarket, Knightsbridge, Londonderry, Melbourne, Northamptonshire, Overseale, Piccadilly, Premier, Watford, Wembley, Whalley, Whitehall and one each of Braunstone, Cornwall, Derby, Dronfield, Eastbourne, Fife, Hertford, Ilkeston, Jersey, Kerry, Langley, Lyme, Nanpanton, New Cambridge, Ospringe, Queensberry, Quinbury, Raunds, Rugby, Sawley, Southgate, Southwell, Unstone, Vermont, Victoria, Wollaton, Xenia, Yoxford, Zetland.

Spliced Surprise Major.—2 methods 2 (1), 3 methods 1 (1), 4 methods 9 (4) (1 non-conducted), 5 methods 2 (2), 6 methods 7 (5) (1 non-conducted), 7 methods 1 (1 non-conducted), 8 methods 7 (4) (1 non-conducted), 9 methods 6 (3), 10 methods 3 (2), 11 methods 1, 12 methods 1, 14 methods 1, 15 methods 1, 23 methods 2 (1 non-conducted), 25 methods 1.

Caters.—Grandsire 2 (1).

Royal.—Plain Bob 1 (1), Rickmansworth Bob 1.

Surprise Royal.—Cambridge 6 (2), Yorkshire 9 (5), London 2 (1), Bristol 2, Winchester 1 (1), one each of Clyde, Fulham, Lindsey, Ludgate, Oakham and 3-Spliced.

Cinques.—Stedman 1.

Surprise Maximus.—Cambridge 3, Bristol 2, Londinium 1.

Total on tower bells: 304 (131), 5 non-conducted.

HANDBELLS

Doubles.—Plain Bob 1 (1), 3 methods 1 (1), Stedman 1.

Minor.—Plain Bob 8 (8), Double Oxford 1 (1), Double Court 1 (1), Kent 1 (1), Killamarsh Treble Bob 1 (1), 2-45 methods 23 (22).

Surprise Minor.—Cambridge 4 (4), London 4 (3), Primrose 1 (1), 4 methods 1 (1), 7 methods 5 (4), 10 methods 1 (1), 14 methods 2 (2), 21 methods 1 (1), 27 methods 1 (1), 31 methods 1 (1).

Triples.—Grandsire 1.

Major.—Plain Bob 7 (4), Oxford Treble Bob 1 (1), Kent Treble Bob 1, Double Norwich 1, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob 1.

Surprise Major.—London 10 (5), Cambridge 4 (2), Bristol 3 (1), Glasgow 2, Yorkshire 2, 1 (1) each of Lincolnshire, Nettleden and Wembley, and 1 each of Ealing, Eastcote, Gloucester, Minsmere, Pudsey, Rutland and Tring.

Spliced Surprise Major.—4 methods 5 (2), 5 methods 2, 6 methods 5 (1), 7 methods 1, 8 methods 6 (1), 9 methods 2, 10 methods 4 (1), 11 methods 3, 12 methods 5 (2), 13 methods 1, 14 methods 4, 15 methods 1, 16 methods 3, 18 methods 6, 20 methods 5, 21 methods 1, 23 methods 4, 25 methods 3, 26 methods 1, 28 methods 2, 30 methods 2, 32 methods 1.

Caters.—Grandsire 1.

Royal.—Oxford Treble Bob 3, Kent Treble Bob 1.

Surprise Royal.—Cambridge 3, London 2, Westminster 1 (1).

Spliced Surprise Royal.—3 methods 1, 4 methods 2, 5 methods 1, 6 methods 1.

Maximus.—Plain Bob 2, Kent Treble Bob 4 (1), Oxford Treble Bob 1, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob 1, Little Bob 1.

Surprise Maximus.—Westminster 1.

Fourteen In.—Kent Treble Bob 1.

Total on handbells: 196 (70).

Overall total: 500 (201).

CALLING PLAIN BOB FROM THE LIGHT END

TOUCHES SUBMITTED BY JANET CLEEVE

The following touches are all suitable for calling from one of the lighter bells. They have also been chosen because they keep 5-6 or 7-8 in course order as much as possible.

BOB MAJOR

160

	2345678	
		Call 3
B	2357486	out
	3728564	
	7836245	
B	7864352	middle
B	7845623	home
B	7852436	wrong
	8273564	
	2386745	
B	2364857	out
B	2345678	twice

224

	2345678	
		Call 3
	3527486	
B	3578264	in
B	3586742	twice
	5634827	
	6452378	
	4267583	
	2748635	
	7823456	
B	7835264	make bob
B	7856342	and middle
	8674523	
	6482735	
	4263857	
	2345678	

240

	2345678	
		Call 4
	3527486	
	5738264	
	7856342	to
	8674523	
B	8642735	make
	6283457	
	2365874	
	3527648	
	5734286	
B	5748362	bob
	7856423	
	8672534	
	6283745	
	2364857	
B	2345678	3 times

156

	23456	
		Call 2
	35264	
	56342	
B	56423	wrong
B	56234	make
	63542	bob
	34625	
B	34256	twice
	45362	
B	45623	wrong
	52436	
	23564	
B	23645	in
B	23456	twice

168

	23456	
		Call 3
B	23564	out
B	23645	twice
	34256	
	45362	and
	56423	
B	56234	wrong
	63542	
B	63425	
B	63254	
	35642	repeat
	54326	
	42563	
B	42635	
	23456	

BOB MINOR

144

	23456	
		Call 3
B	23564	out
B	23645	twice
	34256	
B	34562	in
B	34625	twice
	42356	
	25463	and
	56234	make
B	56342	the
	64523	bob
	42635	
	23456	

192

	23456	
		Call 2
	35264	
B	35642	right
	54326	
	42563	
	26435	
	63254	
B	63542	twice
	34625	
B	34256	make
	45362	bob
	56423	
B	56234	twice
B	56342	and right
	64523	
	42635	
	23456	

168

	23456	
		Call 3
S	32564	2nds at S
B	32645	in
	24356	
B	24563	right
B	24635	wrong
	43256	
S	34562	2nds at S
B	34625	in
B	34256	twice
	45362	
	56423	
	62534	and
	23645	
B	23456	out

Letters to the Editor

P. M. J. GRAY'S BRICK—AND OTHER MATTERS

Dear Sir,—P. M. J. Gray's letter about his misreported comments at the Central Council meeting prompts me to ask if he realises what a huge and leaden brick he dropped.

There was a point reached when the mood was for discarding methods and procedures laid down in the 19th century and for investigating afresh the most efficient and fair way for the Council to run itself. Rev. St. John Smith suggested an "ad hoc" committee to go into this problem: there was a loud murmur of approval from all parts of the hall and spirits (on the floor) rose at the thought that something, at least, might be done.

Up pops P. M. J. Gray to suggest that the Standing Committee should really have this task, not an ad hoc one, and the Establishment on the Top Table gasp with relief. More of "the boys" on the floor stick in their oars, the innocent bulk of representatives are deluded into accepting the suggestion, a vote is taken before they see the fallacy of it all, and **the Standing Committee are given the very job they have a vested interest in not doing** (as I only realised in time to point it out under "A.O.B." when it was too late to do anything more than to draw applause from a large number of people who had also seen the point—too late).

Very firmly are we back to square one, if "Counsellor's" recent letter in "The Ringing World" is any guide to the reactions of "The Club".

There is little doubt that people will think that P. M. J. Gray's "give the Standing Committee something to do" suggestion was so convenient for the Standing Committee that he was "put up" to say what he did. I do not consider he is the sort of man to lend himself to this sort of manipulation, but it would be very heartening to see a denial from him in the columns of "The Ringing World".

Especially so since this kind of "rigging" does go on: confident rumour has it that a later interruption by P. A. Corby was prearranged and that an earlier interruption had been planned to follow the raising of a certain point of order, but misfired because the gentleman concerned was fractionally too late in rising.

There is a moral to be drawn from all this: if you have anything remotely radical to say at a Central Council meeting, then make very sure indeed that only those sympathetic to your point of view have knowledge beforehand.

And there is a question to be put: what advantages do Associations obtain, beyond "fringe benefits", from membership of the Council? The standard reply to a query of this type is "What you get out of membership of an association depends on what efforts you make as a member yourself", but does this apply in the "head against a brick wall" situation?

Not being afraid of a cry of "sour grapes", I sign my name—

H. POYNER.
(C.C. representative, Southwell Diocesan Guild).

VIOLENCE AT MANCHESTER

Dear Sir,—The recent and bitter experience of the Manchester Cathedral authorities has, quite rightly, caused them to rethink their security policy. Inevitably, security measures cause some inconvenience, but it may be that this could be avoided in part at Manchester.

The system set out below is that adopted in London by the College Youths and it would appear to give security to the church with the minimum of inconvenience to the ringers.

At College Youths' practices (except at St. Paul's, where a completely separate ringers' entrance affords sufficient protection to the Cathedral) one ringer is left at all times to supervise the entrance to the church. The effect of this is that, whilst the church is protected from the unwelcome attentions of those who mean no good, latecomers are still able to ring and any necessary directions to the ringing room can be given to visitors unsure of the way. The "doorman" is, of course, relieved from time to time so that he too can ring.

It may be difficult to adopt this solution to the problem where the band is weak in numbers and one less ringer leaves a "hole" in the band for the purposes of ringing a particular method. An alternative measure would be to make it known that at the end of each touch (or at the end of each 15 minutes) any ringers could gain access by a particular door. A volunteer fit enough and kind enough to undertake the extra stair-climbing is normally available for this.

I am indeed conscious that the Manchester authorities have given thought to the matter and this letter must not be read as imputing lack of thought on their part, but I put the above suggestions forward (for what they are worth) so that, perhaps, inconvenience to ringers who are late can be avoided.

Of course, the method of security which it seems is to be adopted at Manchester has the incidental advantage of discouraging lack of punctuality.—Yours faithfully,

ALAN R. PATTERSON.

London, S.W.

P.S.—So far as I am aware, no College Youth has ever had to protect the church vi et armis, and the likelihood of a recurrence of such extreme violence as happened at Manchester seems to be remote as long as the church is "policed" as suggested above.—A. R. P.

COMPOSITION

(See also page 700)

UNORTHODOX PEALS

Dear Sir,—I am pleased to see some enterprising use of unorthodox calls by Mr. Ketteringham and his band (page 632) but I feel the use of the 78-single is "wasted" here. It has far better uses elsewhere, and for Plain Bob there are better calls, for instance the Double made in 236: 12354687/12345678 (shown x). I append a peal showing the value of this call and incidentally furthering the use of subscripts "for handbells/cowbells," etc.

5,152 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

(Op. 12 for String Quartet.)

W	V	M	H	H	23456
—		—	2		26435
—			2	x	23546
	—		2		35246
	—		3		372564
3	2			x	326547
			2	x	23465
			2	x	32546
			2	x	23654
			2	x	32465
—		—	2		35426
—			2	x	32645
			2	x	23564
			2	x	32456
			2	x	23645
			2	x	32564
			2	x	23456

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Yours sincerely,

GILES B. THOMPSON.

WELCOMED AT FRANT

Dear Sir,—On reading Mr. Bassett's letter on page 636 of "The Ringing World" I must confess to being somewhat surprised to learn that I had arranged a quarter peal to be rung at Frant. In fact, one of Mr. Bassett's Wadhurst ringers wrote to me asking if I would conduct a quarter peal at Frant and provide him with two ringers to make up the band if he was successful in obtaining permission to ring there. I replied saying that I was agreeable to doing this, as the same time expressing my doubt that he would get permission to ring there in the light of previous experience with the incumbent. Up to the date of writing I have not heard from the ringer concerned that permission has been obtained.

I would add that some three or four years ago my wife and I were made welcome to ring at Frant by the local captain when we went there to ring for morning service while on holiday.—Yours faithfully,

ALAN R. BALDOCK.

Westham, Pevensey, Sussex.

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BELL ROPES

JOHN NICOLL

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BARRIE'S BAND, 1969

THE peal tour really began on the Friday evening, when most of the Leeds contingent plus Graham Colborne assembled at tour headquarters, alias the Nag's Head, where beer and speculation were indulged in; this was to prove typical of the week. By Saturday morning Phil Cuckson had joined us after one of his marathon drives, and the band headed for South Yorkshire. The morning peal attempt was at Wortley, where not everyone seemed to be ringing Jersey as scheduled and it was set up very firmly after half-an-hour. This must have put the band on its mettle because it went on to score a good peal of Rutland in the afternoon. Then a sprint back to Leeds to collect Melvyn Hiller from the parish church, where we were greeted with his account of how he had been accosted. And so the the Nag's Head again, followed by coffee and a viciously sadistic card game until half-past two in the morning, when it was time to collect Paul Williams, our Welsh peculiar, with his celebrated string shirt and anecdotes about a three-hour wait on Crewe Station.

Sunday morning was set aside for the tower-grabbers (not visitors, please, which gives us an unwonted and unwanted aura of respectibility), with service ringing at Chapel Allerton and the two Headingley towers. Any noteworthy incidents were sadly lost by the author, who was still at home. He returned to the fold in time to ring his first peal of Bristol at Birstwith, thus ending two weeks' sceptical enquiries from the rest of the band regarding place bells. A rapid dash brought more service ringing at St. Peter's, which included a quarter peal of Little Bob Maximus and a good course of Stedman Cinques.

Monday was the longest trip of the week, enabling the band to shake off its hangover and settle down to business: Yorkshire was scored at St. John's, Darlington, in spite of the fact that the Dormobile door, always to be treated with respect, had almost succeeded in amputating Graham's foot. Ormesby was also found, following an unconducted tour of Middlesbrough, and a peal of London was rung, rather below the average standard for the week, by a very tired band—the effects of carrying only two spare ringers were beginning to make themselves felt, but we could still raise a smile when Ron accidentally hung his tail-end on a coat hook about half-way through the peal.

Tuesday saw some solid work, a good peal of Dorchester being scored at Middleham and one of Lincolnshire at Sharow, where we were pleased to be met by Ted Hudson, with some of his delightful tales about former local ringers. Rebellion occurred at this point among the more poorly nourished members of the party, and a Chinese restaurant in Ripon took precedence for once over the immediate consumption of beer. Lost time was, however, made up later.

CLIMAX OF THE WEEK

Wednesday was undoubtedly the climax of the week as far as quality of ringing is concerned. It had been an ambition that every member of the party should ring a peal of Spliced during the week on an "inside" bell (in fact all but one did so), and this got off to a splendid start with a first-class peal in four methods at Kildwick, a first for Melvyn and Chris. Refreshment followed at Ilkley. Over the road, the best peal of the week was rung, one of Tyburn, much to the chagrin of the writer, who had elected to sit out. It was at about this time that the disappearance of Barrie's camera and our own belfry key was noticed, and the evening was spent amid beer and detective work.

Thursday morning saw the start of mild squabbling over who should have the lighter bells, and the production of large numbers of blue lines, this being when the rest of the band had chosen to ring their Spliced, a fairly ambitious attempt for 11 methods at Handsworth. The strongest possible band was selected and another very good peal rung, any tendency to swollen head being humbled by John Gilbert's account of former glories.

In the afternoon Campsall was visited and a steady peal of Oxfordshire rung, although it almost stopped in a burst of laughter at the rather odd conversation of two members of the band and the insecurity of Chris's trousers. This peal produced the only complaint of the week, from an attractive young lady whose husband was apparently working nights and currently trying to sleep. The night was that of the Great Beer Contest, i.e., greater than that of any other night, when our non-English winner was disqualified following later revelations. It also saw the departure of Phil in a still more northerly direction.

Friday was sad, both as the departure date for the other three non-locals and for the quality of the ringing, for although the elusive peal of Jersey was finally scored at Mytholmroyd a tired band agreed that it had not come up to the high standard of the previous two days. Complimentary reference from our waitress did cheer us up somewhat, and the afternoon attempt for Pudsey at Cross Stone, Todmorden, was a definite improvement, but unfortunately lost after 40 minutes when a rope broke. While some made repairs others discovered handbells; afterwards, in spite of having unexpected spare time, the thirsty outnumbered the would-be tower-grabbers, and the evening was one of departures, arrivals and plans for reunion.

We ended up at Leeds Parish Church, and with gaps filled by Richard and Pattie managed to stay on our feet for long enough to ring a very fair peal of Watford. Unfortunately, this must have been a last gallant effort, because a second attempt for Pudsey at Collingham in the afternoon never found a rhythm and was quite rightly set up.

However, we had rung 12 peals out of 15 and had a great deal of fun; all this being without mentioning the weird telephone calls, nocturnal ramblings in the course of which one tourist awoke alone and lost on a park bench, and an exciting Wells-Fargo type car chase armed with a fly spray and a supply of traditional British gestures.

It only remains to thank Barrie Dove for a great deal of hard work in organising the week's ringing, and those incumbents and local ringers who generously allowed us the use of some very fine bells.

"BISHOP BELL."

COMPOSITIONS

5,019 STEDMAN CINQUES

By D. E. PARSONS

(No. 7)

2314567890E	6	19	
24135678E90	A		31425678E90
2431	S	2	3124
3421	—	S	2134
3412	9S, 18		2143
346251	S		216354
341265	5, 6s, 14s		214365
3421	S	2	2314
2431	—	S	3124
245361		— D	315264
241365		S	314265
2413658709E	B		3142658709E
3412	D		2143
415263	6, 7s.		
41365278E90	C		
314256	—	—	

A=1s, 2, 9s, 15s.
B=2, 13s, 15s.
C=2, 5, 13s, 14, 15, 19.

This composition is again aimed at simplicity for the conductor whilst retaining the eight 65's musical qualities. In this case, however, only two bells are used in 2nds place, preserving for the bulk of the peal the normal 6 and 19 calls with which most conductors are familiar.

It will be obvious that this basically new plan can also be used to produce a family of variations, and it is hoped that, with the added simplicity of performance, both compositions will encourage more conductors not to accept less than the best by continuing to ring fixed 2nds place bell peals.

5,040 SPLICED SURPRISE MAXIMUS

(Four methods)

By JOHN R. MAYNE

23456	M	W	H	Methods
65432	—	—	—	N X N
46532			—	Yk. N
54632			—	N Yk.
23645	—	—	—	Eal. X N
42635		—		Yk N
63425		—	—	N X Eal
46325			—	Eal Yk
34625			—	N Yk
62345		—	—	Yk Eal

Four times repeated.

Contains 1,920 of Newgate, 1,440 of York, 960 of Ealing and 720 of Yorkshire (X), with 84 changes of method.

Rung on handbells at 15, Harford Drive, Watford, on August 4th, 1969.

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ALDRIDGE, STAFFS.—On Aug. 11th, 1,260 St. Clement's Minor: J. Humphreys 1, M. Allery 2, R. Riley 3, Cynthia Humphreys 4, J. Burton 5, C. Bainham (cond.) 6. Rung to celebrate the wedding of Michael Mulvey, formerly a ringer at Aldridge, to Frances Fairbank, which took place the following day at Beverley Minster, Yorkshire.

ANGERSLEIGH, SOM.—On April 6th, 1,260 April Day Doubles: G. H. Baldam 1, M. R. Arscott 2, K. E. Beale (cond.) 3, M. A. Arscott 4, J. Cornelius 5. First in the spliced composition for 1, 2 and 3. For Easter.

ASHTEAD, SURREY.—On Aug. 12th, 1,296 Plain Bob Major: N. D. Robinson 1-2, D. W. James 3-4, G. Bromley 5-6, T. Skilton (comp. and cond.) 7-8. A birthday compliment to Robert James. Also on Aug. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Barnes 1, Elizabeth Gibbs 2, G. Bromley 3, J. V. A. Stedman 4, Felicity Hamilton (first attempt as cond.) 5, T. Skilton 6. 25th together 2 and 6. For Evensong.

BRISTOL.—At the Church of St. Mary Redcliffe, on Aug. 3rd, 1,346 Yorkshire Surprise Maximus: A. Tubb 1, Elisabeth A. G. Bowden 2, R. C. Kippin (cond.) 3, G. W. Land 4, M. J. Hobbs 5, P. J. England 6, D. G. Orledge 7, E. F. Handcock 8, P. M. J. Gray 9, B. G. North 10, J. R. Taylor 11, R. G. Edwards 12. First of Yorkshire Maximus by all except 3 and 12.

BROCKENHURST, HANTS.—On Aug. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Clarke 1, S. I. Bamforth 2, S. Baybut 3, A. A. Nunn (cond.) 4, B. J. Fry 5, B. F. Peachey 6. First Doubles 2, 6. A birthday compliment to H.R.H. Princess Anne.

BURNHAM-ON-CROUCH, ESSEX.—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Patten 1, M. N. Tickner 2, W. S. Bigmore 3, J. F. Eaton 4, L. V. Tickner 5, A. A. Leonard (cond.) 6. Rung after the marriage of Jean Stebbings (daughter of tower captain) and Robert Yardley, with best wishes from Burnham and Tillingham towers.

CONSTANTINE, CORNWALL. — On Aug. 7th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. K. Mossop 1, Rosemary Guy 2, Mrs. G. Bainham 3, L. Bainham 4, A. Bainham 5, C. Bainham (cond.) 6. First Minor 1 and 2.

CREECH ST. MICHAEL, SOM. — On June 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss F. M. Gadd 1, Miss M. J. Beale 2, W. H. Poole 3, A. W. Knight 4, K. E. Beale 5, R. A. C. Cross 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. E. M. Somers, mother of Miss S. F. M. Somers, ringing friend of all the band.

CROSTHWAITE, WESTMORLAND. — On Aug. 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles. R. S. Bridge (first away from leading) 1, Mary W. Whalley 2, J. Whalley 3, K. M. Price (cond.) 4, A. Capstick 5, Rev. R. Lindsay 6.

DEWSBURY, YORKS.—On Aug. 17th, 1,296 Little Bob Major: Avis Thompson 1, Sandra Roberts 2, J. Ineson 3, Ruth Richardson 4, J. E. Bottomley 5, K. Ineson 6, G. Richardson (cond.) 7, D. Carruthers 8. For morning service.

DISS, NORFOLK.—On July 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: T. G. Boast 1, J. H. A. Mowle 2, D. G. Boast 3, A. G. Harrison 4, C. Pease 5, F. Sutton 6, H. B. Fuller (cond.) 7, R. A. King 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mary Belcher, wife of the late Bishop Wilfrid B. Belcher, Rector of Diss 1953–1955.

ELLAND, YORKS.—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss R. Mortimer 1, Miss M. Pollard 2, Miss J. Pollard 3, F. Linfoot 4, A. Rogers 5, P. Birkett 6, V. Nutton (cond.) 7, H. L. Jones 8. First in method 1, 2, 3. Also on Aug. 17th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss R. Mortimer 1, Miss M. Pollard 2, Miss A. Barmby (first quarter) 3, Miss J. Pollard 4, P. Birkett 5, A. Rogers 6, V. Nutton (cond.) 7, H. L. Jones 8.

ELVEDEN, SUFFOLK. — On Aug. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. E. M. Peachey 1, H. B. Fuller 2, R. Rose 3, L. Nice 4, C. Hancock 5, M. J. Rose 6, J. W. Paul (cond.) 7, A. F. Peachey 8. In honour of the birth of a son to Lord and Lady Iveagh on August 10th.

HOLME-ON-SPALDING MOOR, YORKS. — On Aug. 16th, 1,260 Bob Doubles: Carol Kean (first quarter, aged 12) 1, Joan Gray (cond.) 2, P. J. Carey 3, Eileen J. Waddingham 4, R. Carey 5, N. W. Castle 6. For the Flower Festival.

HIGH LITTLETON, SOM.—On Aug. 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Mrs. B. Wilcox (first in method) 1, J. Naish 2, W. J. Gait 3, R. M. Virgin 4, M. J. A. Orman (cond.) 5, R. Church (first quarter) 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Sidney James Orman, father of conductor, brother-in-law of 4, churchwarden and ringer at Holy Trinity Church, who died on August 7th, 1969.

QUARTER PEALS

HORTON, BUCKS.—On Aug. 16th, 1,260 Cambridge S. and Plain Bob Minor: M. J. Uphill 1, Dorothea M. Robotham 2, C. R. Harris 3, K. G. Game (cond.) 4, R. L. Jones 5, G. D. Armitage 6. A birthday compliment to Christopher Harris.

ICKLETON, CAMBS.—On Aug. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Monica Coningsby 1, I. Quinney 2, E. Flitton 3, C. Muncey 4, G. Lilley 5, R. Griggs 6, J. Quinney (cond.) 7, D. Lilley 8. A wedding compliment to Peter Vipers and Hilary Rule (daughter of one of the local band).

KINGSTON SEYMOUR, SOM. — On Aug. 4th, 1,296 Hull Surprise Minor: L. Derrick 1, Heather A. Kippin 2, P. J. England (cond.) 3, J. Brain 4, S. Brown 5, R. C. Kippin 6. First in the method by all.

LECKHAMPTON, GLOS. — On Aug. 18th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: M. P. Taylor (first Minor) 1, B. H. Taylor (first "inside") 2, C. R. Taylor 3, H. R. Taylor 4, H. C. Taylor 5, E. J. Taylor (cond.) 6. First of Minor for the family.

LEEDS, YORKS.—On Aug. 10th, 1,232 Little Bob Maximus: C. J. Easton 1, G. J. N. Colborne 2, R. H. Jordan 3, M. J. Hiller 4, P. Gardner 5, G. J. Jones 6, P. M. Cuckson 7, D. Featherstone 8, R. A. Beresford 9, P. A. Williams 10, R. R. Warford 11, C. B. Dove (comp. and cond.) 12. For evening service.

LUTTON, LINCS.—On Aug. 15th, 1,320 Pl. Bob Doubles: R. Ragsdell 1, Mrs. G. Butler 2, G. Butler (cond.) 3, G. Campling 4, P. Butler 5, Susan Rudd (first quarter) 6. For the birthday of Princess Anne.

MERROW, SURREY.—On Aug. 7th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): G. Lewin 1, Hazel J. Glue 2, Yvonne B. Lewin 3, A. Pamela Warren (cond.) 4, F. Lewin 5, R. A. K. Glue 6. First in three methods for 1, 3 and 5. Rung for the return of the conductor from Australia.

MINEHEAD, SOM.—On May 1st, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: A. H. Reed 1, Mrs. B. M. Bindon 2, Miss M. J. Beale 3, A. F. Arscott 4, F. Avery 5, R. A. C. Cross 6, M. A. Arscott 7, R. F. Arscott 8, K. E. Beale (cond.) 9, W. Middleton 10. First of Caters for 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8 and 9.

ROTHERHAM, YORKS.—1,344 Glasgow Surprise Major: J. Hopwood 1, Iris M. E. Lemare 2, Patricia Lockwood 3, I. North 4, N. Donovan 5, A. Beaumont 6, S. Armeson (cond.) 7, R. E. Price 8.

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SAPCOTE, LEICS.—On July 15th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Mrs. M. E. Brown 1, D. M. Brown (first Surprise, aged 11) 2, R. W. Smith 3, J. Watkins 4, M. E. Brown (cond.) 5, B. P. Morris 6. Also on Aug. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. M. E. Brown 1, D. M. Brown 2, N. W. Harvey 3, R. W. Smith 4, B. P. Morris 5, M. E. Brown (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. E. H. Taylor, a loyal member of All Saints' Church.

SHARESHILL, STAFFS. — On Aug. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (ten callings): Mrs. L. Holt 1, Susan Lloyd 2, Susan Devy 3, G. Manning 4, P. Barker (cond.) 5, H. Butler 6. A compliment to Janet Newton and Paul Adams (ringers at St. Mary's tower) on their wedding day.

STOGUMBER, SOM.—On Aug. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Routley 1, C. Lock 2, L. Lyddon 3, P. Watts 4, R. J. Somerfield (cond.) 5, S. Bryant 6. A wedding compliment to Adrian and Ann Somerfield, both ringers at St. Mary's tower, who were married at Holford Parish Church on August 9th.

STRATTON, CORNWALL.—On Aug. 10th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: J. W. Sangwin 1, D. Wilson 2, Beatrice Boyle 3, A. Ballard 4, W. J. V. Conduct 5, H. Trewin 6, T. Setter 7, H. Stacey (cond.) 8. Rung for the baptism of the son of Edgar and Mrs. Nunn.

STREATHAM, S.W.—At St. Leonard's Church, on Aug. 12th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: C. Heather Northeast (first in method) 1, E. J. Adams 2, Irene E. Shanks (first in method) 3, Rosemary J. Cotton 4, Deborah Bishop 5, G. H. Jones 6, A. S. Bishop (cond.) 7, A. J. Taylor 8.

SWANWICK, DERBYS. — On Aug. 14th, 1,440 Kent T.B. Minor: E. Martin 1, B. Jones (first in method) 2, D. J. Walters 3, B. Dye 4, K. Taylor 5, E. J. Sterland (cond.) 6.

TARRANT KEYNESTON, DORSET. — On Aug. 18th, 1,272 Double Bob Minimus: Mary E. Elmes 1, Judith A. Robertson 2, R. G. W. Robertson 3, E. G. Mould (cond.) 4. Rung prior to the christening of Clare Judith, daughter of the ringers of 2 and 3, god-daughter of the ringer of 1. First in method by all.

THURLESTONE, DEVON.—On Aug. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (ten callings): R. J. Edden (cond.) 1, R. F. Shepperd 2, W. Wayman 3, J. L. Read 4, D. J. Roberts 5, G. J. Roberts 6.

THURLOXTON, SOM. — On April 6th, 1,260 Doubles (ten methods): M. R. Arscott 1, J. Cornelius 2, M. A. Arscott 3, G. H. Baldam 4, K. E. Beale (cond.) 5. For Easter.

TOWEDNACK, CORNWALL. — On Aug. 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: T. R. Hart 1, R. P. Pearce 2, G. W. Taysom 3, T. J. Bell 4, W. R. Curtis 5, F. M. Bowers 6, Canon A. S. Roberts (cond.) 7, D. Stephens 8.

UPPINGHAM, RUTLAND.—On Aug. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: L. Atton 1, Patsy M. Barnes 2, J. A. Ellis 3, J. C. Hudson 4, G. W. Reynolds 5, C. J. Groome (cond.) 6. Rung before Evensong in memory of Bert Stevens, an Uppingham ringer, who died on August 14th, aged 78 years.

WARWICK.—At St. Nicholas' Church, on Aug. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Clare F. Dolphin 1, D. R. Randall 2, Mrs. Doris M. Randall 3, E. J. Gower 4, P. C. Randall (cond.) 5, I. C. Maycock 6, J. L. Garner-Hayward 7, R. H. Randall 8. Rung with the best wishes of the band to Geoffrey Randall and Susan Smith, both members of the band, who were married at St. Mary's Church the previous day.

WATFORD, HERTS.—On Aug. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Seaman 1, Mrs. R. Fardon 2, Jill Laud 3, R. Fardon 4, S. Laud 5, D. Bell 6, D. Laud (cond.) 7, R. Bell 8. For morning service.

WELLS, SOM. — At the Cathedral, on May 4th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: A. H. Reed 1, Mrs. B. M. Bindon 2, Miss M. J. Beale 3, A. F. Arscott 4, F. Avery 5, A. Pigott (first Caters) 6, M. A. Arscott 7, R. F. Arscott 8, K. E. Beale (cond.) 9, R. A. C. Cross 10. Rung by Taunton Branch members of the Bath and Wells Association.

WESTBOROUGH, LINCS.—On Aug. 16th, 1,008 Plain Bob Minimus: Mrs. M. Pinchbeck 1, F. W. Pinchbeck 2, B. Buttery 3, M. F. Mitchell 4. First Minimus for 3 and 4. Believed to be the first published quarter peal on the bells.

WEST MONKTON, SOM.—On Aug. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. F. Arscott (cond.) 1, F. Matravers 2, G. Baldam 3, R. Cross 4, B. Holt 5, H. Boyland 6. With congratulations and best wishes to Mr. John M. Adams and Miss Anita Tucker following their wedding.

WIVENHOE, ESSEX.—On June 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: I. McLaren (first Minor) 1, Catherine Bew 2, Ann Dowden 3, J. Dowden (first Minor "inside") 4, M. J. Bew (cond.) 5, P. Abbou 6.

OBITUARY

MR. ERNEST CALCUTT

The Worcestershire Association, and particularly the Northern Branch, has sustained a severe loss by the passing, on August 9th, of Mr. Ernest Calcutt, leader and conductor at Holy Trinity Church, Belbroughton, for 38 years and a ringer there for over half a century. He was in his 69th year.

Rated as one of the best teachers in the District, he had rung 23 peals for the Association and had conducted 11 of them. He was a churchwarden at Holy Trinity for many years and was in office at the time of his death.

Outside church circles he was president of the Belbroughton Working Men's Club and Institute, an office he had held for many years, and a keen supporter of the local cricket and football clubs, for whom he had turned out regularly in his younger days.

The funeral was on August 13th at Holy Trinity Church and was conducted by the Rector, Rev. J. V. Twigg, himself a member of the Association, assisted by the curate, Rev. A. Whiteley, and the congregation practically filled this very big church. The organist was Mr Ralph Parton, also a ringer here.

The Worcestershire Association was represented by the general secretary, Mr. David Beacham, the Northern Branch secretary, Mr. B. C. Ashford, and Messrs. C. W. Cooper (librarian), J. Clifford Skidmore (committee), F. V. Nicholls and A. D. Fellows.

As extensive repairs are needed to the spire it was only possible to chime the bells, which was carried out by the local men. A memorial peal will be attempted at one of the adjacent churches, probably Clent, in the near future.

MR. G. E. FOSTER

The news of the death of Mr. George E. Foster, at the age of 63, in a London hospital on August 8th was received with a feeling of deep sadness by many members of the Southwell Diocesan Guild.

Son of the late Edward Foster, a former Ringing Master at Southwell Minster, Notts, George learnt to ring in the 1920s at the same time as his great friend the late J. F. Milner. He loved Southwell bells and especially the old Rudhall eight, and it was with mixed feelings on his part when they were taken away and recast into part of the present ring of 12.

George Foster was a splendid ringer in many ways. Kindly and encouraging to learners, he would soon have any timid or nervous youngster feeling completely at ease in his presence whether in a peal attempt or on practice night.

When Fred Milner retired in the 1950s George took over as Ringing Master at Southwell, and it was at about this time that, much to his great joy, his younger son Michael learnt to ring and so kept alive the family tradition. He rang in many towers up and down the country and always said that he liked "bells with breath in 'em", and did not have much time for little "tin-pot things". He rang in about 170 peals between 1927 and 1964, his last being Stedman Triples (his favourite method) at Southwell Minster.

Retiring from work in 1965 through ill-health, George left his beloved Southwell and moved to live with his married daughter at Bromley in Kent, and after that he came back once or twice each year for a reunion with his family in Southwell and his ringing friends in the district.

Now George Foster has gone and with him another link with the past, but to those of us who knew him his kindly spirit of good comradeship will remain as we go on our way, being grateful for having known such a man.

And so it was that on Sunday, August 24th, as the Minster clock chimed 12.30 in the quiet little cathedral town of Southwell, George Foster's ashes were laid to rest in his wife's grave at a short service conducted by the Provost, the Very Rev. H. C. L. Heywood, and attended by his family and a few of his old ringing friends.

F. W. M.

An Appreciation

It was with a great feeling of personal loss that I heard of the sudden death of George at Eltham and Mornington Hospital on August 8th. Until three years ago he lived in Southwell, Notts, and was a ringer there from boyhood, but moved down to Plumstead to be with his daughter when he retired. A kinder, more unassuming man you couldn't wish to meet, and he gained the respect and admiration of all who met him.

He did not ring many peals by modern day standards — he left that to his great friend Fred Milner—but he was a wonderful stylist and had an uncanny knack of putting any bell of any weight or "go" into exactly the right place among a row of eight. Unfortunately over the past 13 years he was troubled with an ulcerated leg and found it difficult to stand for the length of a peal; in fact it was because of his leg troubles that I was invited to ring my first peal in 1958, when a day before the peal attempt George's legs once again "packed up" and he asked me to stand in in his place.

He was sad to leave Southwell and its beautiful Minster . . . "After all, I can look out of my bedroom window and see green fields and that old grey Minster, but I'll not be able to down there will I." Indeed he wouldn't, but whenever he had the chance he would go back and sit in the churchyard and talk of peals he had rung in days gone by with such stalwarts of the area as Fred Milner and Clarence Briggs, both of whom died earlier this year.

He taught me to ring a bell, for which I will be eternally grateful, and remained a firm and close friend until his death. All who knew him will miss him dearly.

JOHN R. PRATCHETT.

MR. S. J. ORMAN

The sudden death of Mr. Sidney James Orman on August 7th, aged 51, is a great loss to High Littleton, Somerset, where he was churchwarden for ten years and did most of the conducting for the local band.

He learnt to ring at Holy Nativity, Bristol, in the mid-1930s, under Mr. W. Cave. His ringing was cut short by the war except for ringing at Swaffham for the victory at El Alamein. Because there was no local tower he did not resume his ringing until 1955, when he moved to High Littleton. His first quarter was rung half-muffled in 1959 in memory of Mr. E. B. Carter, people's warden, whom he subsequently replaced. In the following years he rang nine quarters, most of which he conducted.

As a final token of respect, the bells were rung half-muffled prior to the funeral by a band including his son, a friend who learnt to ring with him (Mr. W. Cox) and local ringers. The following evening a half-muffled quarter was rung.

BELFRY GOSSIP

The Taylor family, of Cheltenham, rang a quarter peal at Leckhampton on August 18th.

Tomorrow (Saturday) at 12.30 Mr. Christopher M. Movley marries Miss Jane Elizabeth Colley at St. John's Church, Knaresborough, Yorks.

The Rev. Geoffrey J. B. Stickland rang in the peal to mark his induction as priest-in-charge of the conventional district of St. Dyfrig, Llanrumney, Carms.

Mr. David Blagg, now in his 90th year, has completed 75 years as a ringer at Ordsall, Notts. A congratulatory peal was rung on August 20th.

Mr. Norman Chaddock is making his influence felt at Market Weighton, E. Yorks. The local band has now rung its first quarter for over 20 years.

A reunion of Great Adventure II members is planned for Saturday, September 13th, at the Loughborough Bell Foundry, when some of the Canberra bells will be on view.

The quarter peal at Westborough, Lincs, was rung after an hour had been spent in the bell chamber and belfry oiling, splicing ropes and clearing the belfry of a ladder, old wood and other rubble. It is believed to be the first published quarter peal on the bells, writes B. Buttery.

Mr. R. H. J. Mears has rung his first quarter at Milborne St. Andrew, Dorset, after having been ringing for 53 years.

Two members of the Cambridge University Guild, Christopher Tuckett, of Harrogate, and Jane Wittrich, of King's Norton, were married at St. Bene't's Church, Cambridge, on August 22nd. Members of the Guild rang before and after the ceremony. Both bride and bridegroom graduated this year and they are to make their home in Cambridge.

Recently the Crosthwaite (Westmorland) church bellringers held a very successful coffee evening and raised over £36 towards belfry funds. The event was organised by Doreen Maclean, Matthew L. Dobson and Kevin M. Price, ably assisted by a number of ringing friends and relations. Touches on handbells were rung by Mary and Joe Whalley, of Hawkshead, and Kevin M. Price, of Crosthwaite.

We anticipated the claim that the first quarter of All Saints Doubles to be rung in a church dedicated to All Saints was at Barrowby, Lincs, on August 1st. In the same county, at All Saints', Swinderby, Mrs. Margaret E. Swingler (née Chilton) informs us that on November 3rd, 1964, she rang in a quarter in this method conducted by W. L. Exton, secretary of the Southwell Diocesan Guild.

MANUDEN, ESSEX.—On Aug. 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Cheeseman 1, H. Watts 2, D. Hutley 3, P. Hunt (first in method) 4, P. Warboys (cond.) 5.

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BELFRY GOSSIP

SILVER WEDDING OF MR. and MRS. T. CULLINGWORTH

On August 19th, 1944, Thomas Cullingworth and Miss Lily Wickens were married at St. Mary's, Ashford, Kent.

For a long time they had cherished the ambition to ring a peal at All Saints', Maidstone, where Tom is now captain of the ringers, on their silver wedding anniversary with a band of married couples. In the first case it was hoped to go for a 10-bell peal but in the end it was only possible to get a band to start for Pitman's peal of 4-Spliced on the back eight. Alas, in spite of assiduous steeple-keeping, a rope broke and as there was not time to start again a quarter peal from the composition was rung with the very best wishes of the rest of the band to Tom and Lily.

Ringers in the Maidstone area and further afield in Kent are greatly appreciative of the fine work the Cullingworths do at All Saints', in continuance of many years of devotion to the church and to ringing in Kent, not forgetting their long loyalty to Ashford Church and tower in earlier years.

CORNWALL BELLS TO BE REHUNG

The eight bells of the lovely Church of St. Germans, Cornwall, are to be rehung in entirely new fittings by Messrs. John Taylor and Co. This church, in Saxon times a cathedral, has twin towers at the west end and the bells hang in the south tower. Originally a complete ring of six, cast in 1775 by John Pennington and Co., they were last rehung in a metal frame by Mears and Stainbank in 1913, who then recast the treble and added the new trebles to make eight.

A number of peals have been rung on these bells, and it is interesting to note that a peal for the Truro Guild in 1913 by a band from Plymouth was the last for that Guild for a space of no less than 13 years. In 1926 a touring band, organised by the late W. H. Fussell, started at St. Germans with a peal of London Surprise Major for the Guild, and so began a happy revival which has gone on ever since.

WELSH EXCURSION POPULAR

Bridgwater Branch had a company of 76 for its outing to South Wales on August 9th. After coffee at Severn Bridge Services there was ringing on the light six at Tredunnock and Usk, where the recently redecorated belfry was admired and two sittings were necessary for lunch.

Cloddock proved to have a musical six, but paddling in the river was a rival attraction. The objective of the day was the recently restored six at Grosmont, where much of the work of dismantling and rehanging was done by local people. After tea a film of the restoration was shown. Monmouth was reached through the Monnow Valley, and after a brief stop at Filton for fish and chips home was reached at 11.30 p.m. Elly and Geoff are thanked for making the arrangements, and Grosmont ringers for their hospitality.

The ringer of the sixth in the peal at Hatfield Broad Oak, Essex (page 627), was Dennis Willcocks.

WHEATLEY RINGERS SAY GOODBYE TO INGER



Some members of the band at Wheatley, Oxford, with Miss Inger Lello (centre), an "au pair" from Norway. Inger first became interested in bellringing when the local ringers took part in a tableau at Christmas, and since then she attended the Thursday practices regularly until her return to Norway last month. Her Beginners' Handbook will no doubt remind her of a truly English pastime!

Wheatley is well used to "semi-resident" ringers because of the Lady Spencer-Churchill Teachers' Training College nearby. This year Maureen Long, from Lyme Regis, and Heather Enoch, of Paignton, are both regular practice and service ringers at this church.

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Pictured (left to right): Heather Enoch, Colin Smith, Ian O'Reilly, Inger Lello, John Walford, Fred Deacon, Kevin Harris.

A VETERAN VISITOR AT HORTON

During the quarter peal at St. Michael's, Horton, Bucks, on August 16th, two elderly gentlemen entered the ringing room and sat down. When the ringing stopped about 20 minutes later one of them stood up and asked if he could have a few rounds "But you will have to watch me," he said. "I haven't touched a rope for 19 years!" He then told the band that he was Mr. Charles Goodman and he had learned to ring at Sarratt in 1913. At the time of their restoration he was in charge but gave up ringing 19 years ago due to a chest disorder.

He had recently moved to the Gardeners' Benevolent Country Home, Horton, Bucks, and this was the first time he had heard the bells rung, so he decided to try his hand and rang the treble to some very good rounds for a couple of minutes, to his friend's obvious joy! No doubt he would be delighted to hear from any old ringing friends at the above address.

NEW RECORD SPLICED SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Dear Sir,—As conductor of the peal at Nottingham, representing a new record in Spliced Surprise Maximus, I wish to extend my personal thanks to the Vicar and ringers of St. Peter's, Nottingham, for allowing us to change the venue to there after permission had had to be withdrawn by Lincoln Cathedral at short notice, and also to Richard Starkie, who volunteered to learn the methods at a mere 24 hours' notice when Basil Jones was taken ill.

In accordance with Central Council procedure, I enclose details of the six new methods included in this peal. As indicated, Apsley, Painswick, Worcestershire, Warwickshire and Belfast are all extensions of previously rung methods; Worsley is extended from a parent Royal method which has not yet been rung, viz.:

WORSLEY SURPRISE ROYAL
—30—14—50—36—70—18—14—30—14—
h.l. 30 l.h. 10 1426 (mx)

Yours sincerely,
Marple, Cheshire. NEIL BENNETT.

(For peal and details see page 693)

IN A BEDFORD RINGING CHAMBER

In St. Paul's, Bedford, belfry there was a low table fixed in the centre of the floor, the sides of which used to open and enable the ringers to watch proceedings in church. Recently the ceiling under was covered with boarding and the table was of no further use. It has now been removed but the top of the table laid flat on the floor over the opening.

One of our ringers, who wishes to remain anonymous, when he saw this was reminded of a slab over a grave, and he was moved to write the following epitaph to an imaginary ringer interred beneath:

In memory of Thomas Day
Who pulled a bell and broke the stay.
He, alas, did not let go,
They placed his body down below.

We like to think another seven
Ring Major with him up in heaven,
Or does he have to sound the bell
At tea time for his mates in Hell?

We learn from Tommy's unknown fate,
When ringing we must concentrate,
For even experts, sad to say,
Do sometimes pull and break a stay.

E. B.

A WEEK IN WEST WALES

A holiday and ringing week in West Wales was organised by Jack Pryor. Peal attempts were made on all the four eights in Pembrokeshire and only Stedman Triples was lost at Pembroke. The peal of Bob Major at Haverfordwest was accomplished after time had been spent splicing, oiling and repositioning ropes. This is believed to be only the second peal of Major on the bells. It was suggested that someone by the name of Jenkins had been involved in the other one in the 'twenties! Richard Underwood has now rung a peal on all the ringable rings in Pembrokeshire.

BARRIE DOVE'S PEAL TOUR

ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

PENISTONE, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist.
On Sat., Aug. 9, 1969, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in F sharp.

Philip M. Cuckson	Treble	Robert A. Beresford	5
Christopher J. Easton	2	David Featherstone	6
Robert H. Jordan	3	Ronald R. Warford	7
Graham J. N. Colborne	4	C. Barrie Dove	Tenor

Composed by N. Smith. Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.

BIRSTWITH, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. James the Apostle.
On Sun., Aug. 10, 1969, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in G.

Melvin J. Hiller	Treble	David Featherstone	5
*Christopher J. Easton	2	Paul A. Williams	6
Robert A. Beresford	3	Ronald R. Warford	7
Graham J. N. Colborne	4	C. Barrie Dove	Tenor

Composed by D. Knox. Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.
* First peal of Bristol "inside."

DARLINGTON, Co. Durham.—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist.
On Mon., Aug. 11, 1969, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt. 10 lb. in G.

Robert A. Beresford	Treble	C. Barrie Dove	5
Philip M. Cuckson	2	Ronald R. Warford	6
Melvyn J. Hiller	3	Paul A. Williams	7
Robert H. Jordan	4	David Featherstone	Tenor

Composed by R. J. Parker. Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.

ORMESBY, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Cuthbert.
On Mon., Aug. 11, 1969, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 18 cwt. 14 lb. in E.

Christopher J. Easton	Treble	Graham J. N. Colborne	5
David Featherstone	2	Robert A. Beresford	6
Paul A. Williams	3	Ronald R. Warford	7
Robert H. Jordan	4	C. Barrie Dove	Tenor

Composed by S. J. Ivin. Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.

MIDDLEHAM, Yorkshire.—At the Church of SS. Mary & Alkelda.
On Tues., Aug. 12, 1969, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5088 DORCHESTER SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 18 cwt. 8 lb. in E.

Graham J. N. Colborne	Treble	Paul A. Williams	5
Robert H. Jordan	2	Ronald R. Warford	6
Christopher J. Easton	3	David Featherstone	7
Melvyn J. Hiller	4	C. Barrie Dove	Tenor

Composed by D. Knox. Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.
300th peal as conductor for the Association. First in the method by all the band and on the bells.

SHAROW, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. John the Divine.
On Tues., Aug. 12, 1969, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt. 5 lb. in G.

Robert H. Jordan	Treble	*Melvyn J. Hiller	5
Philip M. Cuckson	2	†Ronald R. Warford	6
C. Barrie Dove	3	*Graham J. N. Colborne	7
*Christopher J. Easton	4	Robert A. Beresford	Tenor

Composed by C. J. Sedgley. Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.
* First peal of Lincolnshire Surprise Major. † 175th peal.

KILDWICK, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St Andrew.
On Wed., Aug. 13, 1969, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In four methods, being 1,440 Yorkshire, 1,280 each of Cambridge and Lincolnshire and 1,120 Rutland, with 69 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.
Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb. in F.

Philip M. Cuckson	Treble	C. Barrie Dove	5
*Christopher J. Easton	2	Robert A. Beresford	6
*Melvyn J. Hiller	3	David Featherstone	7
Paul A. Williams	4	Ronald R. Warford	Tenor

Composed by P. G. K. Davies. Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.
* First peal of Spliced Surprise Major "inside."

ILKLEY, Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Saints.
On Wed., Aug. 13, 1969, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 TYBURN SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in E.

Graham J. N. Colborne	Treble	David Featherstone	5
Robert A. Beresford	2	Ronald R. Warford	6
Robert H. Jordan	3	C. Barrie Dove	7
Melvyn J. Hiller	4	Paul A. Williams	Tenor

Composed by W. Barton. Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.
First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells and for the Association.

HANDSWORTH, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.
On Thurs., Aug. 14, 1969, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In 11 methods, being 576 Cambridge, Pudsey, Superlative, Yorkshire, 448 Bristol, 384 Ashtead, Cassiobury, Lincolnshire, London, Rutland and Uxbridge, with 124 changes of method.
Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. in F sharp.

Melvyn J. Hiller	Treble	Robert A. Beresford	5
Robert H. Jordan	2	Paul A. Williams	6
Graham J. N. Colborne	3	Ronald R. Warford	7
David Featherstone	4	C. Barrie Dove	Tenor

Composed by N. Smith Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.
First peal of 11-Spliced Surprise Major by all the band.

CAMPSALL, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.
On Thurs., Aug. 14, 1969, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5056 OXFORDSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in A flat.

Philip M. Cuckson	Treble	Paul A. Williams	5
Robert H. Jordan	2	Ronald R. Warford	6
Christopher J. Easton	3	C. Barrie Dove	7
Graham J. N. Colborne	4	David Featherstone	Tenor

Composed by S. H. Wood. Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.
First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells and for the Association.

MYTHOLMROYD, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Michael.
On Fri., Aug. 15, 1969, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 JERSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Christopher J. Easton	Treble	David Featherstone	5
Paul A. Williams	2	Graham J. N. Colborne	6
Melvyn J. Hiller	3	C. Barrie Dove	7
Robert H. Jordan	4	Robert A. Beresford	Tenor

Composed by R. F. B. Speed. Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.
First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells and for the Association. Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 11 lb. in F.

LEEDS, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.
On Sat., Aug. 16, 1969, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 WATFORD SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 17 cwt. 4 lb. in F.

Christopher J. Easton	Treble	*Robert A. Beresford	5
*A. Pattie Clapham	2	David Featherstone	6
*Robert H. Jordan	3	C. Barrie Dove	7
*†Richard J. Chantler	4	Ronald R. Warford	Tenor

Composed by D. Knox. Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.
* First peal of Watford Surprise Major. † 25th peal.



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THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

GUILDFORD, Surrey.—At the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit.
On Sat., Aug. 9, 1969, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 30 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in D.

Richard Hayes	Treble	Anthony R. Carter	6
Andrew J. Corby	2	Timothy G. Pett	7
*Kenneth J. Rider	3	Alan E. Bagworth	8
David C. Brown	4	Phillip A. Corby	9
†G. William Shanks	5	Alan R. Patterson	Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Timothy G. Pett.
* First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Royal. † First of Surprise Royal.
Rung to commemorate the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. William J. Rawlings this day.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

EVERCREECH, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Peter.
On Sat., Aug. 9, 1969, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 21 cwt. 17 lb. in E.

Victor Savage	Treble	*David Mackay	6
John H. Gilbert	2	*Ronald G. Beck	7
Gwilym Salmon	3	†Robert E. Beck	8
Eric Naylor	4	*Adrian P. Beck	9
*Philip H. D. Jones	5	Edward J. Chivers	Tenor

Composed by C. J. Sedgley. Conducted by Edward J. Chivers.
* First peal of Yorkshire Royal. † First peal on 10 bells. First of Yorkshire Royal as conductor.

YATTON, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.
On Sat., Aug. 9, 1969, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5280 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 21 cwt. 4 lb. in D.

Elisabeth A. G. Bowden	Treble	†Richard J. Bowden	5
Diana M. Bridle	2	Peter Bridle	6
*Heather A. Kippin	3	Robert C. Kippin	7
Jennifer M. Taylor	4	James R. Taylor	Tenor

Composed by W. Eric Critchley. Conducted by Robert C. Kippin.
* First peal of London Major. † 250th peal.

(Taunton Branch.)

RUISHTON, Somerset.—At the Church of St. George.
On Tues., April 15, 1969, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In six methods, being seven extents in the following: Double Court, Childwall and St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Plain Bob and two of Rev. Canterbury. Tenor 8 cwt. 10 lb. in A.

*Sylvia M. Arscott	Treble	Keith E. Beale	4
†S. Elaine Barrie	2	Raymond F. Arscott	5
Adrian F. Arscott	3	Mervyn A. Arscott	Tenor

Conducted by Raymond F. Arscott.
* Most methods to a peal. † First peal.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

CHURCH LAWTON, Cheshire.—At the Church of All Saints.
On Fri., Aug. 8, 1969, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 8 cwt 1 qr. 2 lb. in G.

*Geoffrey A. Edwards	Treble	*Frank R. Morton	5
Derek F. Yates	2	*Roland W. Morant	6
Christopher Morey	3	Roy Worrall	7
Raymond J. Ballard	4	Ian M. Holland	Tenor

Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by Ian M. Holland.
* First peal in the method

NORBURY (Hazel Grove), Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Thomas.
On Sat., Aug. 9, 1969, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lb.

Harold Dowler	Treble	Christopher Morey	5
Norman Sherratt	2	Roland W. Morant	6
T. Felicity Ashford	3	Raymond J. Ballard	7
Roy Worrall	4	Charles A. S. Webb	Tenor

Composed by Michael S. Bruce. Conducted by Norman Sherratt.
Rung with the best wishes of the band for the future happiness of Gerald Parsons and Christine Johnson, married at this church before the peal.

CHELFORD, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist.
On Sun., Aug. 17, 1969, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 3 lb. in A.

*John D. Broadbent	Treble	Ronald F. Andrew	4
†Andrew Riley	2	Ronald M. Edwards	5
Brian S. B. Kear	3	†Michael Foulds	Tenor

Conducted by Michael Foulds.
* First peal. † First of Minor. First as conductor.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

SHILTON, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.
On Thurs., July 10, 1969, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR
Being seven extents in 45 methods: (1) Luton, Shilton, Arley, Westminster, Ripley, Harbury, Broomfield, Church Lawford, Bitton, Allendale, Rhyl, Whichford, Fyfield, Wolford, Claverdon, Fryerning, Thorne and Napton-on-the-Hill (18 methods), (2) Wandsworth, Beighton, Pentonville, Redcar, Soho, Pattiswick, Brixton, Appleby, Waterloo, Terling, Holloway and Hatfield (12 methods), (3) Cambridge, Norfolk, Keston, Hull, Primrose, Bourne and Ipswich, (4) Durham, Beverley, York and Surfleet, (5) London and Wells, (6) Berwick and Hexham, (7) Cambridge and Ipswich, with 94 changes of method and a plain lead of each method included.
Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb. in B flat.

Hugh J. Baker	Treble	Peter H. Mackie (7)	4
Anthony J. Cox (2)	2	Peter C. Randall (4)	5
Stephen J. Royal (1 & 6)	3	Geoffrey W. Randall (3 & 5)	Tenor

Jointly conducted by all the "inside" ringers. The figures in parentheses indicate the extents called by each ringer.
The greatest number of Surprise methods rung by all the band, on the bells and for the Guild.
Shilton: —34—1456—56—36—12—56. 12. 36245.
Harbury: —34—1456—56—36.12—12.56. 12. 36245.
Church Lawford: —34—1456—56—1236—12—56. 12. 36245.
Whichford: —34—1456—56—36—34—56. 12. 36245.
Wolford: —34—1456—56—1236—34—56. 12. 36245.
Napton-on-the-Hill: —34—1456—56—36.12—34.56. 12. 36245.
Arley: —34—1456—56—36—12—36. 12. 35264.
Bilton: —34—1456—56—36.12—12.36. 12. 35264.
Claverdon: —34—1456—56—1236—12—36. 12. 35264.

THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

WORMHILL, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Margaret.
On Sun., July 13, 1969, in 2 Hours and 8 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents. Tenor 1 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in C.

Timothy Wylie	Treble	John Harrison	4
Geoffrey Bridges	2	Susan E. Davis	5
Ian A. Ross	3	Jacqueline M. Quickfall	Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey Bridges.
Rung as an engagement compliment to Jacqueline M. Quickfall and John Harrison.

EYAM, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Lawrence.
On Mon., Aug. 11, 1969, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 NORWICH SURPRISE MINOR
Being one 2,160 and four different extents with 5-6 right way throughout. Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in A.

A. Colin Banton	Treble	Andrew R. Queen	4
Susan E. Davies	2	Graham A. Newman	5
Susan E. Banton	3	Timothy Wylie	Tenor

Conducted by A. Colin Banton.
First peal in the method for all except the conductor, and first in the method on the bells.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

LEYTON, Essex.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.
On Sat., Aug. 9, 1969, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in A flat.

Charles A. Hughes	Treble	*Kevin A. Hughes	5
Anthony M. Faulkner	2	*Stephen G. Halliwell	6
Mary G. Wilkinson	3	Dennis Ellisdon	7
David A. Wright	4	Colin G. Wright	Tenor

Composed by M. S. Bruce. Conducted by Dennis Ellisdon.
* First peal in the method.
Rung as an 83rd birthday compliment to the treble ringer.

THORINGTON, Essex.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.
On Sat., Aug. 9, 1969, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In seven methods, being extents of Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's, Double Court, Single Oxford, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob.

Eileen S. Button	Treble	George N. Orman	4
Arthur G. Button	2	Edward E. Davey	5
Urban W. Wildney	3	Alan R. Andrews	Tenor

Conducted by Alan R. Andrews.
Rung in honour of the birth of a daughter, Sara, to Rachel and George Orman, ringers at this tower. Tenor 9 cwt. 22 lb. in G.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BRISTOL.—At the Church of St. Mary Redcliffe.
On Sat., Aug. 9, 1969, in 3 Hours and 34 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES
Tenor 50 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb. in B.

*D. John Hunt	Treble	¶Arthur C. Berry	7
Richard W. Sweet	2	Dennis M. Chapman	8
Albert M. Tyler	3	D. Paul Smith	9
†Bruce Martin	4	Ian L. Dear	10
‡Andrew Howard	5	Emlyn F. Hancock	11
§Simon Cole	6	George T. Cousins	Tenor

Composed by D. E. Parsons. (No. 22.) Conducted by Albert M. Tyler.
* Has now "circled the tower" to peals. † First peal of Cinques "inside." ‡ First of Stedman. § First on 12 bells. ¶ 200th peal.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
BRAUGHING, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.
On Sat., Aug. 16, 1969, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
Heywood's transposition. Tenor 19 cwt. in E.

Christopher W. Woolley	Treble	Frank Reed	5
*Peter J. Glazebrook	2	Leonard Luck	6
S. Kathleen M. Baldwin	3	Roger Baldwin	7
John R. Southey	4	†Ernest Mardell	Tenor

Conducted by Christopher W. Woolley.
* First peal in the method. † First peal.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
ERITH, Kent.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist.
On Fri., Aug. 15, 1969, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES
Holt's 10-part. Tenor 15 cwt. in G.

James T. Stevens	Treble	Philip A. Corby	5
Frederick J. Cullum	2	Trevor A. Cross	6
Arthur G. Mason	3	Andrew J. Corby	7
Herbert E. Audsley	4	Thomas W. Blewett	Tenor

Conducted by Frederick J. Cullum.
700th peal on the bells. 400th peal on the bells by the conductor.

MERSHAM, Kent.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist.
On Sat., Aug. 16, 1969, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5024 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In four methods, comprising 1,280 each Bristol and Superlative, 1,248 Cambridge and 1,216 London, with 108 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.
Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb. in F sharp.

Stanley Jenner	Treble	Tony Lewis	5
Doris E. Colgate	2	Ralph Bird	6
Ann Jenner	3	Ian H. Oram	7
Margaret E. Oram	4	Thomas Cullingworth	Tenor

Composed by Albert J. Pitman. Conducted by Ian H. Oram.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
NOTTINGHAM.—At the Church of St. Peter.
On Sat., July 12, 1969, in 3 Hours and 31 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MAXIMUS
In 60 methods, comprising 144 each of Albanian, Aldenham, Cambridge, Deansgate, Gartree, Langley, Lindsey, Manitoba, Newgate, Prittlewell, Redfield, Solihull, Southwark, Wycombe and Yorkshire, 96 each of Belgrave, Belvoir, Brigstow, Halifax, Lambeth, Lincolnshire, Londinium, Pontefract, Pudsey, Rochester, Saskatchewan, Stoneygate, Superlative, Wembley and York, and 48 each of Apsley, Ashton, Bedford, Belfast, Birmingham, Buckinghamshire, Conisbrough, Eldon, Feering, Goscote, Indiana, Kidderminster, Leicestershire, Metropolis, New Durham, Oldham, Painswick, Pennine, Reading, Quex, Southwell, Stoodley, Timaru, Utah, Warwickshire, Westminster, Wigston, Winchester, Worcestershire and Worsley, with 104 changes of method. Tenor 19 cwt. 86 lb. in E flat.

Michael Fishwick	Treble	Richard S. Starkie	7
*Christine Andrew	2	Cyril Crossthwaite	8
Frank Osbaldiston	3	Derek Butterworth	9
John H. Fielden	4	Robert B. Smith	10
Neil Bennett	5	Brian Harris	11
Bernard F. L. Groves	6	Frederick Shallcross	Tenor

Composed by Neil Bennett and John H. Fielden.
Conducted by Neil Bennett.
* 150th peal. This is the greatest number of methods rung to a peal on more than eight bells.

NEW METHODS

Apsley (Extension from Major):
—5t—16—5t—38—147t—50—169t—70—18—7t—78—h.l. et l.h. 12.
1573 (b).

Painswick (Extension from Royal):
—36—14—5t—16—12—5t—16—5t—18—7t—10—. h.l. et l.h. 12.
1573 (b).

Worcestershire (Extension from Major):
—5t—16—127t—38—149t—50—16—70—18—189t—70—h.l. 9t l.h. 12.
1573 (b).

Worsley:
—3t—14—5t—36—7t—18—149t—30—14—3t—14—. h.l. 3t l.h. 1t.
1426 (mx).

Warwickshire (Extension from Royal):
—3t—14—12—3t—12—3t—14—5t—16—9t—10—. h.l. et l.h. 12.
1573 (b).

Belfast (Extension from Major):
34—5t.14—12—3t.12—14.3t.16—12.3t.16—12.3t.16—12. h.l. 3t. l.h. 1t.
1426 (mx).

HEVERSHAM, Westmorland.—At the Church of St. Peter.
On Sat., Aug. 16, 1969, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of Cambridge Surprise and six of Plain Bob.
Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

Peter Handley	Treble	Kenneth J. Foster	4
Alan Capstick	2	Stanley Anderton	5
Diana J. Handley	3	Kevin M. Price	Tenor

Conducted by Kevin M. Price.
Rung for the wedding of Eileen Ellis and Martin Jackson, both ringers at this church.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
EVESHAM, Worcs.—At the Church of St. Lawrence and All Saints.
On Sat., Aug. 2, 1969, in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 SWINDON SURPRISEt ROYAL
Tenor 35 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb. in C sharp.

*J. Edward Cawser	Treble	*Geoffrey J. Hemming	6
*Monica M. Jelley	2	*Graham C. Paul	7
Martin Green	3	*Gerald C. Hemming	8
*Alan A. Paul	4	*John M. Jelley	9
David F. Moore	5	R. Kingsley Mason	Tenor

Arranged by John R. Mayne. Conducted by R. Kingsley Mason.
* First peal in the method.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.
On Thurs., Aug. 14, 1969, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE ROYAL
In three methods, comprising 2,040 of Cambridge, 1,200 of Rutland and 1,800 of Yorkshire, with 71 changes of method.
Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in B.

G. Ronald Edwards	Treble	Martin Green	6
David F. Moore	2	David G. Wilford	7
Christine L. J. Mills	3	R. Brian Mills	8
John M. Jelley	4	Roland H. Cook	9
Monica M. Jelley	5	R. Kingsley Mason	Tenor

Composed by Derek Ogden. Conducted by R. Kingsley Mason.
First peal of Spliced Surprise Royal in three methods for all the band, on the bells and for the Guild.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
SWINESHEAD, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.
On Thurs., Aug. 14, 1969, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES
W. A. Cave's var. of J. W. Washbrook's. Tenor 18 cwt. in F.

Susan E. Smith	Treble	Christopher J. Sharp	5
*Roy Stephenson	2	Peter A. Sharp	6
David Phillipson	3	Jack L. Millhouse	7
*Philip H. Reynolds	4	Geoffrey R. Parker	Tenor

Composed by T. Thurstans. Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.
* First peal of Stedman.

ELSHAM, Lincs.—At the Church of All Saints.
On Mon., Aug. 4, 1969, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR
In seven methods, being one extent each of Primrose, Norwich, London, Beverley, York, Bourne and Cambridge.

John G. Hall	Treble	John W. Blackwood	4
*Melvyn A. Rose	2	*Richard Hall	5
*Roger Hippisley	3	Harold Judd	Tenor

Conducted by John G. Hall.
* First peal of seven-Surprise. Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. in B flat.

SEMPRINGHAM, Lincs.—At the Abbey Church of St. Andrew.
On Sat., Aug. 9, 1969, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven extents. Tenor 7 cwt. 23 lb. in G sharp.

Denis A. Frith	Treble	Frederick W. Pinchbeck	4
*P. Mary Cheesewright	2	Thomas A. Relf	5
Vaughan P. Evans	3	Brian Buttery	Tenor

Conducted by Brian Buttery.
* First peal of Minor. First as conductor. The treble ringer has now "circled the tower."

THE GREATER LONDON ASSOCIATION.
LONDON.—At the Church of St. Anne, Stamford Hill.
On Sat., Aug. 16, 1969, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Maureen J. Carruthers	Treble	William Birmingham	5
John R. Ketteringham	2	Laurence C. Hanney	6
Brian C. Watson	3	*Geoffrey Bridges	7
Alan D. Flood	4	G. William Shanks	Tenor

Composed by F. T. Blagrove. Conducted by Geoffrey Bridges.
* 150th peal. Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in A.

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THE LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.
LEICESTER.—At the Cathedral of St. Martin.
On Sat., July 19, 1969, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
Tenor 25 cwt. 20 lb. in D.

Richard S. Starkie	Treble	David P. Moore	7
Cyril Crossthwaite	2	Christopher K. Cooper	8
Susan D. Cowan	3	Geoffrey H. Pullin	9
V. David Jenner	4	Peter S. Bennett	10
Bruce Wakefield	5	Jeffrey J. Fox	11
David G. Wilford	6	John H. Fielden	Tenor

Composed by Peter Border. Conducted by John H. Fielden.
First peal of Maximus for the Society.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
WILLESDEN, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. Mary.
On Thurs., Aug. 14, 1969, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5024 LONDONTHORPE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

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

Composed by Philip G. K. Davies. Conducted by John R. Mayne.
First peal in the method by all the band and for the Association. Alick Cutler has now rung peals in 300 different Surprise Major methods, being the first person to achieve this.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.
LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.
On Tues., Aug. 12, 1969, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in B.

Ron Hughes	Treble	Frank Chambers	5
Richard J. Clifton	2	Alec R. Jones	6
Arthur E. Rowley	3	G. Ronald Edwards	7
Joseph W. Cotton	4	Derek P. Jones	Tenor

Composed by F. Dench. Conducted by Derek P. Jones.
Rung in honour of the wedding of the Rev. Malcolm M. C. Melville and Shelagh Collins, with the best wishes of the "Tuesday band."

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
NORWICH, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. George, Colegate.
On Fri., Aug. 8, 1969, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents Tenor 9 cwt. 80 lb. in G sharp.

David Cubitt	Treble	David E. House	4
*Margaret A. Bunting	2	Martin Cubitt	5
Carole A. H. Patey	3	Simon A. B. Wigg	Tenor

Conducted by Simon A. B. Wigg.
* First peal attempt

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(The Society of Raving Ringers.)
ADDERBURY, Oxon.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.
On Sat., Aug. 9, 1969, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5152 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 24 cwt. 14 lb. in D.

Edward R. Venn	Treble	Christopher C. Clarke	5
Diana Reeves	2	Peter Tombs	6
Peter J. Heritage	3	Michael W. Coleman	7
Ronald K. Russ	4	Robert A. Reeves	Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Michael W. Coleman.
Rung as a wedding compliment to Barry J. Davis and Miss Jean Marlow, both members of this Society, who were married earlier this day at Rothwell, Northants.

EAST ILSLEY, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.
On Sat., Aug. 9, 1969, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in G.

Patricia E. Hibbert	Treble	Brian R. White	5
William Hibbert	2	Francis A. White	6
Ronald C. Christopher	3	John H. Napper	7
William Butler	4	John W. T. Hibbert	Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by William Butler.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
BURTON LATIMER, Northants.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.
On Sun., Aug. 10, 1969, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5056 HAVANT SURPRISE MAJOR
Johnson's variation. Tenor 10 cwt. 13 lb. in F sharp.

*Pamela B. Dacre	Treble	Edward C. Buckby	5
†Mary R. Coleman	2	John G. Mitchell	6
J. Malcolm Tyler	3	Murray A. Coleman	7
Barry R. Care	4	Richard J. Cowley	Tenor

Conducted by Richard J. Cowley.
* First peal of Surprise Major. † First of Surprise Major "inside."
Rung as a wedding compliment to Jean Marlow and Barry J. Davis, married at Rothwell on the previous day.

MOULTON, Northants.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
On Sat., Aug. 16, 1969, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5024 XENNAPOD SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb. in F.

*David J. Morgan	Treble	Barry R. Care	5
J. Malcolm Tyler	2	Edward C. Buckby	6
Stephen B. Bell	3	John G. Mitchell	7
Murray A. Coleman	4	Richard J. Cowley	Tenor

Composed by C. J. Sedgley. Conducted by Murray A. Coleman.
* First peal of Surprise Major. First peal in the method.

XENNAPOD SURPRISE MAJOR
—38—14—58—36—14—1458—1236—78. Group B. f.c.h. b. o.

ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD.
ST. FLORENCE, Pembs.—At the Church of St. Florencius.
On Wed., Aug. 13, 1969, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In five methods, being one extent each of Cambridge, Oxford and Kent and two each of St. Clement's and Plain Bob.
Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb. in F sharp.

*Philip C. Rogers	Treble	Simon P. Rogers	4
Pamela M. Turner	2	Derek H. Walters	5
Richard L. Underwood	3	†Rev. Russen W. Thomas	Tenor

Conducted by Richard Underwood.
* Has "circled the tower" once. † Has "circled the tower" twice.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.
BIRMINGHAM.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew, Edgbaston.
On Wed., July 23, 1969, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt. 14 lb. in G.

John N. Lindon	Treble	Bryan D. A. Woolley	5
*Joyce J. Barton	2	Stephen W. Barton	6
Richard J. Tibbetts	3	Maurice F. Edwards	7
J. Alan Ainsworth	4	Clifford A. Barron	Tenor

Composed by N. Golden. Conducted by Clifford A. Barron.
* First peal in a Treble Bob method.

BIRMINGHAM.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew, Edgbaston.
On Wed., July 30, 1969, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5088 WATFORD SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt. 14 lb. in G.

John N. Lindon	Treble	Stephen W. Barton	5
Roderick W. Pipe	2	James Insley	6
Bryan D. A. Woolley	3	Maurice F. Edwards	7
J. Alan Ainsworth	4	Clifford A. Barron	Tenor

Composed by W. E. Critchley. Conducted by Clifford A. Barron.

BIRMINGHAM.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew, Edgbaston.
On Wed., Aug. 6, 1969, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5024 DORCHESTER SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 10 cwt. 14 lb. in G.

John N. Lindon	Treble	James Insley	5
James W. Belshaw	2	Richard J. Tibbetts	6
Bryan D. A. Woolley	3	Stephen W. Barton	7
Roderick W. Pipe	4	Clifford A. Barron	Tenor

Composed by S. J. Ivin. Conducted by Clifford A. Barron.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
SHOREDITCH, London, E.—At the Church of St. Leonard.
On Tues., Aug. 12, 1969, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5120 LITTLEPORT LITTLE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
Tenor 28 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in C.

M. Louise Slater	Treble	John R. Pratchett	7
Angela M. Wright	2	Edward F. P. Bryant	8
Joan Beresford	3	Roger Baldwin	9
S. Kathleen M. Baldwin	4	Derek E. Sibson	10
Frank T. Blagrove	5	Stanley Jenner	11
David J. Forder	6	Dennis Beresford	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.
First peal of Littleport Little Surprise Maximus to be rung.

LITTLEPORT LITTLE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
—5t—14.5t—5t.36.14—14.5t—14—18. l.e. 1t mx.

PULBOROUGH, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Mary.
On Sat., Aug. 2, 1969, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5184 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In ten methods, comprising 576 each of Ashtead, Bristol, Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire, and 384 each of London, Rutland and Uxbridge, with 132 changes of method.
Tenor 13½ cwt. in F sharp.

Susan E. M. Davis	Treble	C. Martin Press	5
*M. Louise Slater	2	Derek E. Sibson	6
†Angela M. Wright	3	†W. Leslie Weller	7
†John R. Pratchett	4	Tom Page	Tenor

Composed by Norman Smith. Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.
* First peal of spliced. † First of ten-spliced.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.
AMBLECOTE, Stourbridge, Worcs.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.
On Tues., Aug 12, 1969, in 3 Hours,
A PEAL OF 5056 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lb. in B.

*Philip G. K. Davies ..	Treble	Edward R. Fairbrother ..	5
*Stephen Yates	2	Richard C. Stevens	6
Robert A. Partridge ..	3	Clive M. Smith	7
Ian Friend	4	David J. Bates	Tenor

Composed by A. Knights. Conducted by Philip G. K. Davies.
* 25th peal together. First in the method by all except the conductor. First in the method as conductor.

ALDRIDGE, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.
On Fri., Aug. 8, 1969, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being seven extents: (1) London Surprise, (2) Cambridge Surprise, (3) Kent Treble Bob, (4) Single Oxford, (5) Double Oxford, (6) St. Clement's, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 6 lb. in A.

Anthea C. Fairey	Treble	†Roger Riley	4
Anita E. Foden	2	Michael W. Fairey	5
*John L. Humphreys ..	3	‡P. George Golder	Tenor

Conducted by Michael W. Fairey.
* First peal. † First peal attempt. ‡ "Completes the circle." and is the first to do so at this tower.
Rung as a farewell tribute to the Rev. R. W. Cartmel, who recently retired after 23 years' service at this church.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
EAST RETFORD, Notts.—At the Church of St. Swithun,
On Wed., June 11, 1969, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL
Tenor 23 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb.

Bryan Birkett	Treble	Raymond Fanthorpe	6
Stephen Knights	2	Harry Poyner	7
Tom W. Senior	3	Alan Friskney	8
John A. Coates	4	Barry Holland	9
Philip Rogers	5	Herbert O. Chaddock ..	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Harry Poyner.
Rung half-muffled in memoriam Sir Stuart C. Goodwin, benefactor of this town and church.

BABWORTH, Notts.—At the Church of All Saints.
On Sat., Aug. 16, 1969, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR
In seven methods, being extents of Capel, Kingston, London Scholars' Pleasure, Sandal Exercise, Oxford, Kent Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise. Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in A flat.

Bryan Birkett	Treble	Paul N. Mounsey ..	4
Stephen W. Knights ..	2	David W. Jack	5
Harold Denman	3	Philip Rogers	Tenor

Conducted by Paul N. Mounsey.
Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Archer to mark their 20th wedding anniversary.

WHATTON-IN-THE-VALE, Notts.—At the Church of St. John of Beverley.
On Sat., Aug. 16, 1969, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent of Cambridge Surprise and two extents each of Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob.
Tenor 13 cwt. 24 lb. in E.

Brian M. Buswell	Treble	*Frederick R. Barber ..	4
Mary C. Poyner	2	Thomas D. Greasley ..	5
Harry Poyner	3	William L. Exton	Tenor

Conducted by William L. Exton.
* First peal in four methods.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.
HORRINGER, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Leonard.
On Sat., Aug 16, 1969, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 9 cwt. 3 lb

Arthur F. Ballam	Treble	Christopher R. Nunn ..	5
*Sally E. Potter	2	Brian E. Whiting	6
†John A. Mayle	3	Walter A. Perry	7
Peter Mayle	4	Alan G. Feaver	Tenor

Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Alan G. Feaver.
* First peal. † First of Major.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
DOWNE, Kent—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.
On Sun., Aug. 10, 1969, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Being seven different extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 lb. in G.

*J. Charles West	Treble	Robin Grant	4
Wendy Wallace	2	Alan Long	5
†John R. Ketteringham ..	3	Geoffrey Bridges	Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey Bridges.
* First peal. † 350th peal.

THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.
LELANT, Cornwall.—At the Church of St. Uny.
On Tues., July 22, 1969, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Consisting of one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B. and Oxford T.B. and four of Plain Bob.
Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb. in G sharp.

Marion Lidgey	Treble	Canon A. S. Roberts ..	4
Harry Miles	2	W. R Curtis	5
J. J. George	3	A. Humphrey	Tenor

Conducted by A. Humphrey.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.
PORTSMOUTH, Hants.—At the Cathedral of St. Thomas of Canterbury.
On Sat., Aug. 16, 1969, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL
Tenor 25½ cwt. in E flat.

Walter G. Knight	Treble	Maurice J. Butler	6
John H. Hunt	2	*Philip Stevens	7
Edgar R. Rapley	3	R. Roger Savory	8
Patrick Page	4	Frank H. Hicks	9
E. Winifred Keys	5	Thomas J. Lock .. .	Tenor

Composed by William Pye. Conducted by Thomas J. Lock.
* First peal of Surprise Royal.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
TEWKESBURY, Glos.—At the Abbey Church of St. Mary the Virgin.
On Sat., July 26, 1969, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB CATERS
Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in D

Martin Powell	Treble	Geoffrey R. Drew	6
Peter S. Robertson	2	John Clements	7
Christopher Hims	3	Geoffrey Dodd	8
Anna K. Sadowska	4	Arthur C. Berry	9
Maurice Ingram	5	David Beacham	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Geoffrey R. Drew.
First peal of Bob Caters by all except Geoffrey Dodd.
Rung as an engagement compliment to Barry Schofield and Susan Rhodes.

BREDONS NORTON, Worcs.—At the Chapel of Ease.
On Sat., Aug. 9, 1969, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In ten methods, being: (1) Cambridge S., (2) Oxford T.B., (3) Plain, (4) D. Oxford, Thelwall, Pinehurst, St. Clement's, Childwall, Buxton, (5) Plain, (6) Kent T.B., (7) Plain. Tenor 6½ cwt. in B.

Ronald E. Stillwell	Treble	Peter S. Robertson	4
*Roman Sadowska .. .	2	Robert M. Ashman	5
Shirley M. Drew	3	Geoffrey R. Drew . ..	Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey R. Drew.
* First peal in more than one method.
Rung with the best wishes of the band to Anna Sadowska and Maurice Ingram, married this day at Bishop's Cleeve, Glos.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
YORK.—At the Cathedral and Metropolitical Church of St. Peter.
On Sat., July 12, 1969, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 24 cwt. 3 qr. in E flat.

Ronald Crabtree	Treble	Alan E. Hartley	5
A. W. Alan Leggett .. .	2	Bert Sutton	6
Michael D. Staniforth ..	3	David Featherstone	7
Christopher M. Morley .	4	C. Barrie Dove	Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.
Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of the Earl of Scarborough, the first High Steward of York Minster, Lord Lieutenant of York and the West Riding, and joint president of the York Festival.

HANDBELL PEALS

THE BIRMINGHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.
BURNLEY, Lancashire.—At 8, Rosehill Mount.
On Sun., Aug. 3, 1969, in 1 Hour and 33 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
Seven different extents Tenor size 11 in G.

Rupert A. Clarke	1-2	Christopher Rowson	3-4
		Richard J. Parker	5-6

Alternate extents called by each member of the band. Last extent, alternate calls by each member of the band.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
WATFORD, Hertfordshire.—At 15, Harford Drive.
On Mon., Aug. 4, 1969, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MAXIMUS
In four methods, comprising 1,920 of Newgate, 1,440 of York, 960 of Ealing and 720 of Yorkshire, with 84 changes of method.
Tenor size 15 in C.

S. Kathleen M. Baldwin ..	1-2	*Gerald Penney	7-8
John R. Mayne	3-4	Julia A. Fellows	9-10
Roger Baldwin	5-6	†Frank C. Price	11-12

Composed and Conducted by John R. Mayne.
* First peal of Spliced Surprise Maximus. † First of Maximus on handbells and first of Spliced Surprise Maximus.

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BIRTH

WHITEHEAD.—To Kate and Peter, on August 11th, 1969, a son, Robert Fletcher. Please note our address is now 15, Kidson Terrace, Christchurch 2, New Zealand. 7594

ENGAGEMENTS

BANNER—WATTS.—The engagement on September 1st is announced between Raymond, of Billingshurst, Sussex, and Ruth, of Devizes, Wiltshire. 7627

DANBY—RILEY.—The engagement is announced between Richard Danby, of Nether Heyford, Northants, and Jill Riley, of Langley, Stratford-on-Avon. 7595

FORTHCOMING WEDDING

STEVENS—TIMMINS.—The wedding of Richard and Elizabeth takes place on Saturday, Sept. 13th next, in the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Tettenhall. Ringing before and after service. All friends welcome. 7639

MARRIAGE

OSENTON—CHIDWICK.—The wedding of Christopher and Phyllis took place at St. John-the-Baptist's, Halling, on August 9th, 1969. Address is now 12, Hever House, Cypress Court, Frindsbury Extra, Rochester, Kent. Telephone: Medway 79500. All correspondence regarding Halling bells to this address, please.

GOLDEN WEDDING

CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Cheesman, The Cottage, Grange Gardens, Banstead, Surrey, married at St. Thomas-of-Canterbury Church, Goring-on-Thames, on September 10th, 1919. 7558

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

BERRY.—The address of Alan and Anne is now 7, Church Road, Cheriton, Folkestone, Kent (Tel. Folkestone 75651).

KIPPIN.—Chris and Heather now live at 61, Fenshurst Gardens, Long Ashton, Bristol. Telephone: Long Ashton 2410.

NORTH.—The address of Ian and Pat is now 33, Kingsway Close, Ossett. Telephone: Ossett 5317. 7469

RANDALL.—Geoff and Sue now reside at 45, Abbey Court, Abbey Road, Whitley, Coventry, CV3 4BA. 7633

TAYLOR.—Stephen and Rachel are now living at 145, York Road, Woking, Surrey. Telephone: Woking 61054. 7601

PERSONAL

"But let every man prove his own work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another."—Galatians vi, 4.

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FLOWER FESTIVAL

September 5th, 6th and 7th

Bells available:

Saturday, 6th, 11 a.m.–2 p.m.; 2.30–7 p.m. Ringing after 2 p.m. wedding requested

Sunday, 7th, Approx. 4.30–6.30 p.m.

All ringers welcome. Light refreshments available. 7725

CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARY, EDINBURGH

During September and October the bells will be overhauled, so service and practice ringing will be limited. Any visiting ringers should get in touch with the conductor, Miss K. M. H. Branson, 18, Glencairn Crescent, Edinburgh, 12 (Tel. 031-337 6797), or the hon. secretary, Mr. D. P. Ferro, c/o Mrs. Cameron, 9, Abercorn Drive, Edinburgh, 8 (Tel. 031-661 2850). 7604

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION WEEK-END COURSE ON BELL-RINGING

October 10th–12th

At ST. ANNE'S DIOCESAN HOUSE, CHELTENHAM

Full cost £4 10s., with special reductions for all annual members of the Association.

For all details write to Mrs. M. A. Wratten, 19, Ravensgate Road, Cheltenham, GL57 8NR. 7628

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Canterbury District
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DEDICATION OF THE NEW RING OF SIX BELLS

Tenor 3 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb. in G.

By the Lord Bishop of Dover.

Sunday, 21st September, 1969 at 11.15 a.m.

General ringing: 12.30–1.15 p.m.
2.30–3.30 p.m.
5.30–6.30 p.m.

All ringers will be particularly welcome at the service, and are invited to stay on for the ringing sessions.—David L. Cawley, Tower Captain. 7746

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Annual Dinner, The New Hackwood Hotel, Widmore Road, Bromley, Kent, September 27th, 6.30 for 7 p.m. Tickets 27/- from District secretaries up to Sept. 13th.—A. P. S Berry, Hon. Gen. Sec., 7, Queen Street, Folkestone, Kent. 7075

LICHFIELD DIOCESAN RINGING FESTIVAL

Saturday, September 6th

Ringing :—

SHEEN (6) 11.00–12.30 subject to confirmation

NORTON (8) 1.30–2.45.
BROWN EDGE (6) 2.30–3.30
HORTON (6) 3.30–4.30.
KINGSLEY (6) 2.00–3.00.
CHEDDLETON (6) 3.00–4.00.
LEEK (10) 3.00–5.00 and 7.00–9.00

Service in St. Edward's, Leek, at 5.00.
Tea in Maude Institute, Leek, at 5.45.
Tickets for tea (5/- adults, 2/6 under 16's), cash with order, from Mr. R. J. Ballard, 8 Copes Avenue, Tunstall, Stoke-on-Trent, ST6 6BJ.

Ringing by request after tea at Cheddleton and Norton.

R. J. BALLARD, Hon. Sec.,
North Staffordshire Association

LUDHAM, NORFOLK
St. Catherine's Church
FLOWER FESTIVAL
September 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th.
Thursday, 4th, 2.30–8 p.m., other days 9.30 a.m.–8 p.m.
All ringers welcome. 7598

PETWORTH, SUSSEX
FLOWER FESTIVAL
Sunday, September 7th.
Ringing 3.30–6.30 p.m.
All ringers welcome. 7597

RUDDINGTON, NOTTINGHAM
FLOWER FESTIVAL
Saturday, September 20th and Sunday, September 21st
Ringing:
Saturday: 11–12, 2.30–4.30, 6–8 p.m.
Sunday: 5–6.30 p.m.
All visitors welcome. 7614

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH STRATFORD-ON-AVON, WARKS.
FESTIVAL OF FLOWERS
September 12th, 13th and 14th.
Tower open Saturday, September 13th, 3–5 p.m. and 7–9 p.m. and for service ringing on Sunday. 7562

ST. PETER'S, BELTON, UPPINGHAM, RUTLAND
Good Ring of Six (tenor 10 cwt.)
FLOWER AND MUSIC FESTIVAL

Fri., Sept. 5th, Ringing 7.30–9 p.m.

Sat., Sept. 6th, Ringing, 11.15 a.m.–12.30 p.m., 3.30–4.30 6.15–7.15 p.m.

Sun., Sept. 7th, Ringing 11.15 a.m.–12.30 p.m., 3.30–4.15. 5.30–6.30 p.m

Sat. and Sun. Coffee 10 a.m.–12 noon; tea 3.30–5.30 p.m. In pleasant gardens. Bring the family. Full programme on sale. 7506

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

There will be a General Meeting at Bradford on September 20th. General Committee Meeting in the Cathedral Chapter Room at 3.30 Service in the Cathedral at 4.15. Tea in Eastbrook Hall at 5.0. **Names** for tea should be sent to Mrs. M. J. Thurmott, 61, Rockwood Crescent, Woodhall Park, Pudsey, by Wednesday, September 17th. Tea tickets will be issued on the Meeting day.

Important alterations to the Rules will be proposed at the General Meeting a r tea

Tickets for the Snowdon Dinner at York on October 25th will be available.

The following towers will be open: Dewsbury (8) 10.30–11.45. Batley (8) 11.15–12.30. Liversedge (8) 12.00–1.15. Cleckheaton (8) 2.0–3.15. Birstall (8) 2.45–3.45. Bradshaw (5) 10.30–11.30 Queensbury (8) 11.15–12.30. Denholme (8) 12.00–1.15. Oxenhope (8) 2.0–3.15. Keighley (8) 2.30–3.30. Bradford (10) 2.30–4.0 and 6.30–9.0. Idle (8) 6.30–7.30. Queensbury (8) 6.30–8.30.

W F Moreton.

SOCIETY OF CHANGE RINGERS FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD

18th ANNUAL DINNER

Taylor's Restaurant, Cannock

Saturday, November 8th, 6.30 for 7 p.m.

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EXETER COLLEGES GUILD welcomes anyone coming up next term. Contact Kevin A. Hughes (University), John L. Anderson (St. Luke's) or Linda V. Cull (Rolle) for details. Practices held 6.15–8 p.m., Wednesdays, at St Mark's, Exeter (on the Taunton road). 7599

LEEDS UNIVERSITY SOCIETY is pleased to welcome all freshers. For details of our activities write to Miss Gillian Cleaver, Cedars, Durrant Lane, Northam, Bideford, Devon. 7549

MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY

Anyone entering the University in October please contact the secretary, Hamish McNaughton, Lowerfold, Fernhurst, near Haslemere, Surrey. The first practice will be held on Friday, Oct. 3rd. Subsequent practices will be held on TUESDAYS at Sacred Trinity Church, Salford. 7623

READING UNIVERSITY SOCIETY welcomes all freshers coming up in October. Please write to the Master, John Leary, 20, Rands Estate, Preston, near Hull, Yorkshire.

PRACTICE MEETINGS

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Watford District.—Practice meeting, Langleybury (6), September 6th, 6.30 p.m.—G. W. Seaman, Dis. Sec. 7543

LADIES' GUILD.—Eastern District.—Practice meeting Ashbocking (6), Friday, September 12th, 7.30 to 9 p.m. Ladies only. Your support please.—J. Lester, Dis. Sec. 7499

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—Evening practice at St. Mary's, Eccles, on Monday, Sept. 15th. Bells (8) from 7.30–9. Special method: Wembley Surprise Major. All welcome.—A. Ward, Branch Sec. 7606

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—South West District.—Surprise Royal practice, Monday, Sept. 8th, Hillingdon, 7.45 p.m. start.—M. J. Palmer. 7625

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, JESMOND, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE. — The new weekly practice will be held on Thursday evenings, from 7.30–9 p.m., as from Aug. 28th. 7600

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Evening practice, Saturday, Sept. 13th, 6–8.30 p.m., at St. Peter's, Edgmond (6). Methods: Beginners, Plain Bob Minor; brighter ones, London Surprise Minor 7559

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Joint practice meeting of the Central and North West Districts at Woolpit (6) on Friday evening, September 5th. Bells from 7 to 9 p.m. 7536

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Evening practice, Thames Ditton (6), on Saturday, Sept. 13th, at 7 p.m.—E. Godfrey, Hon. Sec. 7577

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION — Northern Division.—Practice meeting, Saturday, September 6th. Bells, Fairwarp, 3–5 p.m. Picnic tea (cups of tea provided). Fletching 6–8.30 p.m.—Jean Osbon Div. Sec., E.G. 23815. 7533

CHANGE OF PRACTICE NIGHT

ABINGDON, Berkshire. — Practice nights will now be on Tuesdays, 7.30–9 (alternately at St. Nicolas' and St. Helen's), instead of Wednesdays as previously. All ringers are welcome.—W. A. Smith, 3, Westfield, Abingdon. 7630

MEETINGS

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Warwick Archdeaconry. — Monthly meeting on Saturday, September 6th. Autumn mini-festival. Bells available: Honington (6) 2–3 p.m., Shipston-on-Stour (6) 3–4 p.m., Great Wolford (6) 4–5 p.m., Long Compton (6) 5–5.45 p.m., Whichford (6) 6–6.45 p.m., Cherington (5) 7–7.45 p.m. Please make own arrangements for tea.—H. A. M. 7585

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Ilkeston District. — Meeting at Breedon (6), Saturday, September 6th. Ringing 3 p.m.–7 p.m. Special methods: Surfleet and Double Court. Picnic tea at Staunton reservoir. Bring own sandwiches. 7541

DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.—A.G.M., Dudley. Saturday, Sept. 6th Bells (10) available 3 p.m Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting **ALL** names for tea to Mrs. M. I. Brown, 31, Renfrew Close, Wordsley, Stourbridge. 7602

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Ely District. — Evening meeting at Cottenham. Saturday, September 6th. Bells (6) from 6.30–8 p.m. 7497

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Morning practice at Ottershaw (6) on Saturday, September 6th. beginning at 9.30 a.m 7573

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION — Northern District.—Evening meeting, Saturday, September 6th. Cottered (5) 5.30–7 p.m. Ardeley (6) 7–8.30 p.m.—Mrs. C. A. Agg, Dis. Sec. 7580

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—By-meeting at Borden, Saturday, September 6th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to E. C. Barton, "Ma'alesh," Pond Farm Road, Borden, Sittingbourne, please.—T. Barton. 7518

NATIONAL GUILD OF POLICE RINGERS.—South Eastern District.—Ringing meeting in the Chelmsford area on Saturday, Sept. 6th. Meet at St. Michael and All Angels Church, Galleywood, Essex, 2 p.m. Names for tea to P. Shonk, Dis. Sec., 58, Raeburn Road, Sidcup, Kent. 7613

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Next meeting Wortley, September 6th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names to J. J. L. Gilbert, 41, Ravenscroft Crescent, Sheffield, 13. All welcome.—R. Fletcher. 7570

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. — Christchurch and Southampton District.—Quarterly meeting Southampton, Saturday, September 6th St. Michael's bells (10) 2.45 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea St. Mary's Chantry Hall 5.15 p.m. Meeting follows. St. Mary's bells (10) in evening. Names for tea to Mrs. M. Francis, 41, Bassett Green Close, Southampton.—Gilian W. Davis, Dis. Sec. 7565

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Business meeting at the Lord Raglan, St. Martin's-le-Grand, E.C., on Sept. 9th at 8.15 p.m. Practices: Sept. 9th, St. Paul's Cathedral; Sept. 16th, St. Michael's, Cornhill; Sept. 23rd, St. Lawrence Jewry; Sept. 30th, St. Giles', Cripplegate; all at 6.30 p.m.—J. G. A. Prior. 7611

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—Practice at Longbridge Deverell (8), 7.30 p.m., on Wednesday, Sept. 10th. All friends welcome. **Advance notice:** Half-yearly meeting, tea and service at Warmley, Saturday, Oct. 4th. Ringing at Warmley in the afternoon and other tower(s) in the evening. Details later.—B. J.

BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be for the Swaine Cup on the second Saturday of September (the 13th). All bands welcome. Entrance fee payable on day. Names for tea to Mr. K. Muxworthy, 303, Barnsley Road, Hoylandswaine, nr. Barnsley. 7588

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Dunster Branch.—Quarterly meeting, St. Audrie's (5), Saturday, Sept. 13th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to E. Tyndale-Biscoe, Burnells Gardens, Dunster 346.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Biggleswade District. — Striking competition at Southill (6), Saturday, Sept. 13th. Organised practice 3 p.m. Draw at 3.50, followed by competition. Tea, results and business meeting at Old Warden W.I. Hut 5 p.m. Ringing in the evening. Names for tea and competition entries to Mrs. Fleming, 28, High Street, Houghton Conquest (Tel.: Wilstead 366), by 11th. 7620

CHESTER GUILD.—Stockport Branch — Meeting at St. Margaret's, Dunham Massey, Altrincham, Sept. 13th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m For tea please advise Mrs. C. K. Lewis, 52, Wellington Road, Altrincham, by Tuesday, Sept. 9th. All welcome. —C. K. Lewis. 7635

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.—Central District.—Annual meeting and election of officers, Saturday, Sept. 13th, St. Michael's, Bishopwearmouth. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Names for tea (in good time, please) to Mr. D. Cox, 12, Nilverton Avenue, Sunderland, Co. Durham. 7634

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Meeting, Saturday, September 13th, Westerham. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Own arrangements for tea at 5 p.m., followed by meeting and further ringing. Sundridge bells also available 7.30–9 p.m 7568

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cambridge District.—Practice meeting, Sept 13th. Foxton (5), 6–7.15; Harston (6), 7.30–9 p.m. —J. S. 7511

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Evening meeting, St Saviour's, Walthamstow, Saturday, Sept. 13th, 7 p.m. 7619

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South Eastern District.—Meeting at Tillingham, Saturday, September 13th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea please to R. J. Harrison, 32, Gilmore Way, Great Baddow. 7545

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—Evening meeting, Stone (6), Saturday, Sept. 13th, 6–9 p.m. Business meeting in church at 7.30 p.m.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Combined practice at Pirbright (6) on Saturday, Sept. 13th. Bells available 6–9 p.m.—S. J. Tate-Mitchell, Dis. Sec. 7571

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HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—Redbourn (6), Saturday, Sept. 13th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to G. Reading, 57, Hempstead Road, Redbourn. 7624

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—By-meeting, Chart Sutton, on Saturday, Sept. 13th. Bells 3 p.m. Please bring own picnic tea. 7629

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Furness and Lake District Branch.—Meeting, Saturday, Sept. 13th, Crosthwaite (near Kendal). Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to K. M. Price, 46, Claife Avenue, Windermere, Westmorland. —T. F. Metcalfe. 7540

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Preston Branch.—Meeting at Croston, Saturday, Sept. 13th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Tea will be provided at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting and further ringing. Special method: Rutland S.M. Names, please, for tea to Mr. P. Ascroft, 19, Highfield Road, Croston, near Chorley, no later than Wednesday, Sept. 10th. —D. G. Lawson, Branch Sec. 7560

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch. — Meeting, Shore (Littleborough), on Saturday, Sept. 13th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Cups of tea at 5. Business at 6 p.m.—G. Cheetham. 7546

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Syston District.—The September monthly meeting will be held at Rothley on Saturday, Sept. 13th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. T. A. Yates, 40, Woodfield Road, Rothley, by Wednesday previous. Swithland bells (6) available from 2.30 to 3.30 p.m.—M. R. A. Kirk, Dis. Sec. 7532

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Central Branch.—Meeting, Dunholme, Saturday, Sept. 13th. Bells (6) from 5 p.m No tea. All welcome.—G. R. P. 7603

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Llandaff Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Cadoxton (Neath), Saturday, September 13th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4, followed by tea and very short business meeting. All ringers and friends welcome.—Iolo Davies, Cowbridge Grammar School.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Saturday, September 13th. St. Bodolph, Bishopsgate, 3–4.30 p.m. (Liverpool Street Station), to be followed by tea and business meeting. St Leonard's, Shoreditch, 6.30–8 p.m. Names for tea to M. R Wycherley, 35d, Holland Park, London, W.11, by previous Wednesday. 7488

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Daventry Branch.—Meeting, Norton (5), Saturday, Sept. 13th. Names for tea important, please, to Miss G. Latzko, Norton, Daventry. —I. Webb. 7610

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Rutland Branch. — Quarterly meeting, Exton, Sept. 13th. Bells (6) 3.15 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Evening ringing. Names for tea to Scholes, Harringworth, near Corby, by Tuesday, 9th. 7605

ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD.—Quarterly meeting, Tenby, Saturday, Sept. 13th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. H. Jenkins, Nythfa, St. Mary's Street, Tenby. 7632

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Dorset Branch.—Childe Okeford, Sept 13th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5.15 p.m. Okeford Fitzpaine bells also available. Names to M. M. Godley, Yetminster, Sherborne, Dorset, by Sept. 9th. 7609

SUFFOLK GUILD.—General meeting, Otley and Clopton, Saturday, Sept. 13th, Clopton (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by general meeting and S.E. District business meeting. Ringing at Otley (6) in evening. Guild executive committee meeting 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. H. J. Wightman, Shrubbery Farm, Otley, Suffolk, by **Wednesday**, Sept. 10th. No names no tea.—W. L., Dis. Sec. 7598

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Branch. — Quarterly meeting, Ashbrittle, Saturday, Sept. 20th Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, please.—A. H. Reed, 41, George Street, Taunton. 7618

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Southrn District. —Meeting, South Weald, Saturday, Sept. 20th, Bells 3 p.m. Service 5 o'clock, followed by tea. Names, please, to Mr. F. R. Goddard, 24, Osborne Road, Brentwood, Essex. Further ringing after tea. 7596

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Rural Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Thornbury (8), Saturday, Sept. 20th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Essential! names for tea to D. Chapman (Tel. Oldbury 4264) by Sept. 19th. 7626

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Stroud Branch.—Meeting at Avening (6), Sept. 20th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to P. Screen, 22, Springfield, Hardwicke, Gloucester, GL2 6PX, by Tuesday, 16th, please. Cherrington (4) also available after tea. 7589

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. — Elloe Deaneries Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Moulton, Saturday, Sept. 20th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to John Porter, 12, Exeter Drive, Spalding (Tel. 4462), by Tuesday, Sept. 16th. 7583

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. — West Lindsey Branch. — Meeting, Broughton, Sept. 20th. Bells (6) afternoon and evening. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea for those who notify me by previous Tuesday. Special methods: Kent Treble Bob and Newdigate Group.—Geo. L A. Lunn, Crow Garth, Lea, Gainsborough. Tel.: 2623. 7622

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Northern Branch.—Annual meeting, Kingswinford (8), 3 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 20th. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Pennett bells (8) also available from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on the occasion of the Flower Festival. All welcome. Names for tea by Wednesday, Sept. 17th, please.—Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., 17, Ham Lane, Pedmore, near Stourbridge, Worcs. Tel.: Stourbridge 3470. 7592

OBITUARY

MR. G. J. HEARNS

The death took place suddenly on August 17th of Mr. George J. Hearns, who was for 30 years a ringer at Checkendon, Oxon, and tower captain for 20 years. He was instrumental in getting the ring augmented to eight. A memorial peal with the bells half-muffled was rung at Checkendon on August 20th.

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LATE NOTICES

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—By-meeting, Lyminge (8), on Saturday, Sept. 13th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m., Village Hall. All names for tea to Mr. D. R. Prebble, Little Garth, Brady Road, Lyminge, Folkestone, by Sept. 9th. 7637

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Loughborough District.—Meeting Sept. 13th, Oaks-in-Charnwood (6), 2.30–4 p.m.; Shepshed (8), 4–4.30 p.m., and evening service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. at St. Botolph's Church Hall. Names for tea, please, to Mr. G. Butler, 21, Bridge Street, Shepshed, Loughborough, by Wednesday, Sept. 10th. — Hilary F. Watson-Walker, Dis. Sec. 7636

LADIES' GUILD.—South Wales District.—Meeting, Llanelli, Sept. 20th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. S. Rees, Marble House, 6, Brynallt Terrace, Llanelli. Also available: Gorseinon (8), 2–3 p.m. Gentlemen welcome.—J. S. King. 7642

MARLBOROUGH BRANCH ATTRACT VISITORS

Marlborough Branch (Salisbury D.G.) held its monthly meeting at Milton Lilborne and Burbage on Aug. 16th in lovely weather. Chiefly owing to the holiday season, the visitors almost outnumbered the members, contingents being present from Chippenham, Swindon, Ringwood (Hants), Lyneham, Chester and Croydon, in addition to Branch members from Aldbourne, Chisledon and Everleigh.

In the absence on holiday of Mr. A. Keen (Ringing Master) the duties were in the capable hands of Mr. A. T. Palmer, a former Branch secretary. Ringing started on the medium-weighted six at Milton Lilborne at 3.30 p.m. and the Guild service at 4.30 p.m. was conducted by the Vicar (Rev. A. Crace), with Miss Ann Toomer at the organ. A picnic tea was enjoyed on the Vicarage lawn. Before moving on to Burbage Mr. G. Newman (chairman) expressed the thanks of the Branch for the use of the bells.

At Burbage a further two hours' ringing on the light five rounded off an enjoyable afternoon. W. A. E.

LONDON, W.C.—At St. Clement Danes', on Aug. 17th, 1,282 Yorkshire Surprise Royal: P. J. Spice 1, Miss R. J. Henderson (first Surprise Royal) 2, T. Lewis 3, Mrs. M. E. Oram 4, J. W. Smith (cond.) 5, G. W. Shanks 6, Miss D. E. Colgate 7, P. J. Simmonds 8, I. H. Oram 9, J. R Pratt 10. For Evensong.

DATE TOUCH

CORSTON, SOM.—On Aug. 15th, 1,969 Stedman Triples (by James Topp): H. D. Mackay 1, R. E. Beck 2, J. Tarrant 3, G. Salmon 4, P. H. Jones 5, A. P. Beck 6, R. G. Beck (cond.) 7, V. Savage 8. Rung for a birthday compliment to H.R.H. Princess Anne, also A. P. Beck.

ADDINGTON, SURREY.—On Aug. 17th, 1,320 Cunecastre Surprise Minor: E. G. H. Godfrey 1, Margaret Godfrey 2, Carol Rodgers 3, Deborah Bishop 4, Wendy Wallace 5, A. S. Bishop (cond.) 6. For Evensong and for the baptism of Stuart Martin, son of Robert and Jacqueline Rayfield.

ALDINGTON, KENT.—On Aug 17th, 1,320 Ipswich Surprise Minor: J. A. Hemsley 1, Pamela Court 2, R. A. Birch 3, B. C. Johnson 4, P. Staples 5, D. C. Manger (cond.) 6. First in method 2, 3, 4 and 5.

ASTON, HERTS.—On July 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: L. A. Izzard 1, R. T. Falder 2, A. A. F. Peters (cond.) 3, P. C. Worthington 4, M. R. Worthington 5, A. Gray 6. For Morning Service. Also on July 31st, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: M. Panton 1, P. C. Worthington 2, B. J. Harris (cond.) 3, M. M. Roden 4, M. R. Worthington 5, I. R. Panton 6. A wedding compliment to Maureen and Ian Panton. Also on Aug. 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles by the same band as July 6th (conductor: M. R. Worthington). For Morning Service.

BACKWELL, SOM.—On Aug. 13th, 1,344 6-Spliced Surprise Major (Yorkshire, Glasgow, Wembley, Watford, Jersey and Whalley): Heather A. Kippin 1, Diana M. Bridle 2, S. Brown 3, J. Brain 4, P. J. England 5, P. Bridle 6, J. R. Taylor 7, R. C. Kippin (cond.) 8.

BISHOPSTOKE, HANTS. — On April 20th, 1,440 Wreford Imperial Minor: Philippa E. Menniss 1, J. C. Hallett 2, Linda V. Cull 3, R. Le Marachel 4, T. J. Frodsham 5, J. P. Colliss (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. E. Ivill, a church worker at Bishopstoke.

BRAMPFORD SPEKE, DEVON.—On June 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Joan A. Hayward 1, Angela Hughes 2, C. Barr 3, N. Webber 4, D. Atkins (first of Minor as cond.) 5, M. Turner 6. A compliment to Nicholas Webber and Jennifer Bennett on their engagement.

BURNLEY, LANCS.—On July 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss J. Higham (first on eight) 1, Miss M. J. Smith 2, J. Lord 3, M. Gibbon 4, W. E. Wilkinson 5, R. J. Parker 6, N. Smith (cond.) 7, J. C. Towers (first quarter) 8. A farewell to J. Lord who is leaving the district.

CANTERBURY, KENT. — At the Cathedral, on Aug. 12th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Miss F. Templeman 1, L. Huckstepp 2, P. M. Hills 3, R. J. Elliott 4, J. Drage 5, D. H. Niblett (cond.) 6, K. I. Davis 7, T. H. Holmes 8, D. J. Carr 9, A. S. Phelips 10. Rung for the opening service of the Central Committee Conference of the World Council of Churches.

CHIVELSTONE, DEVON.—On Aug. 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. J. Edden 1, W. Wayman 2, G. J. Roberts 3, D. J. Roberts 4, R. F. Shepperd 5, J. L. Read (first as cond.) 6. First quarter on the bells.

CHURCHILL, SOM.—On Aug. 14th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: P. J. England (cond.) 1, S. Brown 2, B. Mills (first Cambridge) 3, M. Dodson 4, R. W. Rice 5, W. S. Rice 6. A birthday compliment to the third ringer.

COALPIT HEATH, GLOS.—On Aug. 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Batten 1, Miss J. M. Scudamore 2, Miss S. Gifford (first "inside") 3, R. Newman (first quarter) 4, K. W. Scudamore (cond.) 5, W. F. Scudamore 6.

COMPTON BISHOP, SOM.—On July 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: H. Hooper 1, J. Coombs 2, S. Lewis 3, C. Field (first Minor) 4, S. Bendle 5, J. S. Walton (cond.) 6.

GEDLING, NOTTS.—On Aug. 3rd, 1,320 Minor (five methods): J. Dawson 1, P. R. Wild 2, Susan M. O'Neill 3, Elizabeth J. Dawson 4, J. R. Anthony 5, G. A. Dawson (cond.) 6. A 90th birthday compliment to Mrs. E. M. Dawson at Evensong.

GORING, OXON.—On Aug. 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Wendy Tyler (first quarter) 1, M. Napper 2, Mrs. G. M. Hodgkinson 3, Miss M. Trent 4, M. Hodgkinson 5, S. Franklin 6, W. Irving (cond.) 7, I. Judd 8. To mark the birth of a son to Michael and Mrs. Napper; also the wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Hodgkinson.

GORTON, LANCS.—On Aug. 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. D. Broadbent 1, Susan Brocklehurst 2, P. Broadbent 3, A. Riley 4, R. M. Edwards 5, M. Foulds (cond.) 6.

QUARTER PEALS

GREAT HOLLAND, ESSEX.—On Aug. 6th, 1,260 Doubles (two methods): Miss C. A. Glading (first quarter) 1, J. C. Walters 2, S. Leech 3, R. J. Isgar 4, F. B. Lufkin (cond.) 5, G. H. Isgar 6. Also 1,260 Doubles (two methods): R. F. Balls (first quarter) 1, J. C. Walters 2, S. Leech 3, F. B. Lufkin (cond.) 4, R. J. Isgar 5, G. H. Isgar 6. Rung by local Sunday ringers.

HAREFIELD, MIDDX. — On Aug. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: S. Capper 1, Elsie Savory 2, P. Butler 3, R. S. Bell 4, F. H. Corke (cond.) 5, J. Hardey 6. First quarter for 1, 3 and 6.

HARROW WEALD, MIDDX.—On Aug. 11th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: F. Reed 1, E. A. Hibbs (first quarter) 2, L. White (first in method) 3, Freda Clayton 4, H. G. Hart 5, J. H. W. Smith 6, B. C. Watson (first Stedman as cond.) 7, P. J. Hooton (first quarter) 8.

HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.—On March 29th, 1,320 Doubles (six meth./var.): Joyce M. Marsh 1, W. G. Marsh 2, Pamela J. Clifton (cond.) 3, Ruth Blackshaw 4, M. W. Harrison 5.

HUISH EPISCOPI, SOM.—On July 3rd, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Mrs. B. M. Bindon 1, A. F. Arscott 2, A. H. Reed 3, F. Avery 4, J. Cornelius 5, R. F. Arscott 6, M. A. Arscott 7, K. E. Beale (cond.) 8. First Kent T.B. Major for all the band. A birthday compliment to ringers of 1 and 2.

KING'S LYNN, NORFOLK.—At St. Margaret's, on Aug. 4th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: R. Harrop (first of Major as cond.) 1, O. A. Needham 2, W. W. Cousins 3, P. Gagen 4, D. Gagen 5, R. Newson 6, C. Cousins 7, N. V. Harding 8. Rung for H.M. the Queen Mother's birthday.

KINGSTON UPON THAMES, SURREY. — On Aug. 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: C. Bullied 1, Katharine A. Salvage 2, Ann V. Salvage 3, Lesley A. Hawes 4, Anthea S. Bruce 5, M. Belcher 6. Conducted by all the band and rung to congratulate those who passed A levels on the London Board. Also on Aug. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Lesley A. Hawes 1 Katharine Salvage 2, Ann V. Salvage 3, G. J. Collett 4, C. D. Collin (cond.) 5, B. J. Stone 6. For Evensong.

LONG EATON, NOTTS. — On July 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Susan Philps 1, Ann Copley (first "inside") 2, A. Lord 3, F. J. Ward 4, C. Stringer (first as cond.) 5, R. Daly 6. For the Flower Festival. Also on Aug. 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: C. Geary 1, Veronica Belfitt 2, Susan Philps (firs t"inside") 3, F. J. Ward (cond.) 4, C. Beswick 5, A. Humphrey 6. An 80th birthday compliment to the treble ringer.

LOCKING, SOMERSET. — On June 13th, 1,260 Doubles (2 methods): Allison Kelby (first quarter) 1, P. Kelby 2, Marjorie Legg (cond.) 3, J. Coombs 4, C. Fields 5, Susan Stott 6. For Evensong. Also on June 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. G. Hooper 1, G. Prescott 2, J. Coombs 3, Marjorie Legg (cond.) 4, H. Button 5, G. Kingdon 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. F. Miller, late captain at this tower.

MINSTER-IN-SHEPPEY, KENT. — On May 18th, 1,260 Doubles: Caroline Embleton 1, Glynis Poppleton 2, Mira Ford 3, Jane Bryant 4, D. P. Leworthy (cond.) 5, Jill Singleton (first quarter) 6. For Evensong. Also on June 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Caroline Embleton 1, Susan Goodwin (first "inside") 2, Jane Bryant 3, Marianne Leworthy (first as cond.) 4, D. P. Leworthy 5, Ann Bryant 6. For Evensong. Also on July 6th, 1,260 Doubles: Susan Goodwin 1, Glynis Poppleton 2, Jane Bryant 3, Marianne Leworthy 4, D. P. Leworthy (cond.) 5, Ann Bryant 6. Half-muffled in memoriam Rev. J. B. Allen, former Vicar.

ORMSKIRK, LANCS.—On Aug. 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. Tough 1, J. Pilkington 2, E. Butler (cond.) 3, J. Dilworth 4, E. Ashcroft 5, J. Dilworth 6, G. K. Austin 7, J. Ridley 8. A farewell tribute to the Vicar, Rev. R. G. B. Bailey.

NAILSEA, SOMERSET. — On Aug. 5th, 1,260 Doubles (5 methods): L. Childs 1, Mrs. R. Short 2, L. Derrick 3, C. Kortright (cond.) 4, J. Lott 5, E. Davey 6. Rung for the birth of a son (Clifford John) on July 25th to Clifford and Monica Kortright.

NORTON FITZWARREN, SOMERSET—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Doubles: Mrs. B. Bindon 1, A. H. Reed 2, J. Cornelius (cond.) 3, R. A. Cross 4, R. F. Arscott 5, A. Cross 6. A 21st birthday compliment to Miss P. Stevens, and a wedding compliment to Mr. V. Reynolds and Miss E. Thorne.

PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX. — On April 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Giles 1, D. Sloman 2, M. Hallett (cond.) 3, Penny Halliwell 4, B. Sadler 5, G. Bacon 6, S. Halliwell 7, G. Eve 8. Also on May 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Jose Sadler 1, Penny Halliwell (cond.) 2, D. Sloman 3, J. Belcham 4, B. Sadler 5, P. Sadler 6, H. Furminger 7, G. Eve 8. Also on July 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Jennifer Sadler (first quarter) 1, P. Giles (first "inside") 2, Penny Halliwell 3, B. Sadler 4, S. Halliwell 5, D. Sloman (cond.) 6. All for Evensong.

STOKE-SUB-HAMDON, SOMERSET. — On July 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Robert Venn (first quarter) 1, L. S. J. Cavill 2, Richard Venn (first as cond.) 3, E. Venn 4, H. Pester 5, H. Greenham 6. To celebrate conductor's 21st birthday.

STRATTON, CORNWALL.—On July 31st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: B. S. Payne 1, Margaret E. Snyder 2, G. R. Parker 3, A. E. Chilton 4, W. J. V. Conduct 5, E. Bryant 6, H. Stacey (cond.) 7, M. H. Sinden 8. Rung for the Combined Churches Fete.

STROUD, GLOS.—On Aug. 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: F. Garland 1, R. Watts 2, T. Witts (cond.) 3, R. Cornock 4, V. Deane 5, Rev. the Hon. N. R. Morrison 6.

SUNBURY-ON-THAMES, MIDDLESEX.—On Aug. 10th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Marie Boniface 1, R. Bettley-Cooke 2, D. Brock 3, Diane Pickett 4, M. B. Tyers 5, A. J. Hampton 6, D. G. Pickett 7, C. H. Rogers (cond.) 8.

TARLETON, LANCS.—On July 25th, 1,260 Doubles (2 methods): N. McCormick 1, L. Walmsley 2, J. Nelson 3, D. L. Marsden 4, J. D. Nixon (cond.) 5. Rung on the occasion of the 250th anniversary of Tarleton (Old Church) St. Mary.

TIDESWELL, DERBYS.—On July 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. E. Dakin 1, S. E. Davis 2, G. W. Hawkesworth 3, A. M. Smith 4, P. D. Taylor 5, T. Wylie (cond.) 6. Rung in connection with the Diocesan Walk.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.—On Aug. 3rd, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: Elizabeth C. Duncan 1, I. L. Dear (cond.) 2, J. E. Murfitt (first of Yorkshire and 50th quarter) 3, Caroline R. F. Cole 4, D. E. Cobb 5, A. J. Slade 6, R. J. Chapman 7, M. B. Jefferyes 8. For Matins. Also 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Peck (first quarter) 1, I. L. Dear 2, Elizabeth C. Duncan 3, Leslie Tibbitts (first of Triples) 4, J. E. Murfitt 5, D. E. Cobb (cond.) 6, M. B. Jefferyes 7, M. Cook 8. For Evensong. Also on Aug. 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Linda West 1, M. B. Jefferyes 2, S. Mount (first "inside") 3, Leslie C. Tibbitts 4, I. L. Dear 5, J. E. Murfitt 6, D. E. Cobb (cond.) 7, M. Cook 8. For Evensong.

WANLIP, LEICS.—On Aug. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. H. Sunderland (first away from cover and of Minor) 1, D. F. Moore (cond.) 2, Bridget Critchlow (first of Minor) 3, R. N. S. Scholes 4, J. C. Allen (first in the method) 5, C. J. Mobbs 6. A belated birthday compliment to the treble ringer.

WARMLEY, GLOS.—On July 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: S. W. Metcalfe 1, Miss E. Webb 2, D. M. Smith 3, M. Brain 4, K. G. Weeks 5, A. W. Gibbs 6. A tribute to Mr. Cyril Turner, captain of this tower for many years, who died on July 16th.

WENTWORTH, YORKS.—On Aug. 10th, 1,320 Doubles (3 methods): R. M. Nalliah (first away from cover) 1, R. R. Nalliah 2, D. E. Archer 3, D. Hunton (cond.) 4, M. King 5, L. Hallows 6 Rung for Evensong. A welcome return to quarter-peal ringing for D. E. Archer.

WHITCHURCH, DEVON. — 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bob, Grandsire): P. Bill 1, S. Peirce 2, J. Steere 3, G. Mudge 4, J. Mitchelmore (first as cond.) 5, A. Frost 6.

WIMBLEDON, S.W.—On Aug. 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Elizabeth Wilkins 1, Deborah Bishop 2, Caroline Bagworth 3, D. Wilkins 4, T. Bishop (cond.) 5, A. Bagworth 6.

WOODBOROUGH, NOTTS.—On July 20th, 1,344 Minimus (8 methods): P. L. R. Hayward 1, Patricia M. Hayward 2, D. W. Flower 3, H .G. Wells 4. All the work for every bell. Rung as a birthday compliment to John England and Eileen Flower .

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YORK.—At the Minster, on July 1st, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: Beryl Hartley 1, D. Clegg 2, M. D. Staniforth 3, A. E. Hartley (cond.) 4, Margaret Wilkinson 5, B. Sutton 6, A. W. A. Leggett 7, H. Walker 8. Rung for the Investiture of Prince Charles as Prince of Wales.

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