

by Mr. W. R. Newson, Mr. L. A. Goodenough
of Luton was elected a Non Resident Life Member.

It was agreed that the arrangements for
subsequent meetings should be left to the
secretary.

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16/12/46.

The November practice meeting was held
at St Stephens, St Albans on the third
Saturday in the month. The bells, seldom
now rung due to the lack of a local band,
were raised at 3.30 P.M., & ringing continued until
8.00 P.M. with a break for tea from 5 P.M. until
6.30 P.M., when tea was partaken at the Abbey
Restaurant, Holywell Hill. There was no business
meeting, but the Secretary gave notice of the
Annual District meeting to be held on Jan
19th. Handbells brought by Mr. G. W. Taylor of
Watford were rung after tea.

Ringers were present from St Peter's St Albans,
Harpenden, Apsley End, Hampstead, Welwyn Garden City,
Maulden, Broxburn & Silsoe (beds) Milverton & Ashbottle
(Somerset) & Hitchingdon (Middlesex), about 20 in all. Method

many included Gyronshire + Stedman Doubles, Kent +
Oxford Triple Bob, Double boat + Cambridge Surprise

Secretarys Report for 1945.

In the year made famous by the ending of the Second World War; the members of our own, and other societies throughout the country, naturally paid an important role, by ringing on the days set aside by the Government for Thanksgiving.

Victory in Europe was celebrated on May 8th + 9th, whilst Victory over Japan, and the end of the war, was proclaimed on August 15th, and that day and the following were National Holidays. The response of ringers on both occasions was good, and there was ringing at practically all the district towers, although the only peal was one of Bob Major at St Peters St Allens on Aug 15th.

Other ringing throughout the year was fairly well maintained and there is every hope that, with the start of demobilisation which followed the war, the strength of many bands will improve. This return of our Service members has, in fact,