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### 1963 — A MEMORABLE YEAR

**I**N the ringing calendar of posterity the year 1963 will rank as outstanding. Dwarfing everything else was the ringing of the extent of Major (40,320 changes) on July 27th/28th at Loughborough Bell Foundry Campanile in 17 hours 58½ minutes. The feat was regarded by many as outside the ambit of human endeavour. Robert B. Smith, the conductor, will go down to posterity. With him were two others—John M. Jelley and Neil Bennett—who had taken part in the 32,704 peal; but the late selection of a 17-year-old grammar school boy, Frederick Shallcross, was a surprising yet justified selection. He is certainly no longer 'an up and coming youngster.' This peal has not ended long length attempts. There have been quite a number with mixed results.

In a year when new methods were a weekly occurrence and Spliced Major Surprise a regularity in various parts of the country, another peal we feel will be quoted in the future is that of 143 Spliced Minor methods rung at Castle Eaton on December 2nd, conducted by Anthony R. Peake. It was the culmination of a succession of spliced multi-Minor peals.

Before leaving peals—there was another 1,000-peal ringer in Jack L. Millhouse, of Lincoln, and also the 1,000th peal rung in a tower, the Bell Foundry Campanile at Loughborough. In these 1,000 peals, 770 ringers had taken part and 60 different methods were rung.

While 'the Exercise' side of ringing is flourishing, judging by the number of peals and quarter peals published, mention should be made of the many performances associated with the death of President J. F. Kennedy. Ringers expressed the nation's sympathy in a remarkable manner. Gratifying is the flow of recruits, judged by sales of the Central Council's publication *Beginners' Handbook*, which reached 1,681 copies.

It has been a good year for English bell-founders. The focus of their achievement has been the provision of bells for Washington Cathedral. A carillon of 53 bells with a Bourdon bell of 10½ tons was sent across the Atlantic, and also a ring of ten bells which were opened on October 20th with an English instructor in charge. This and a new ten for Groton School constitute a challenge to America to take up change-ringing. The influence of this country was seen in another way. Mr. Frederick Sharpe, who this year completed six years as President of the Central Council, to be succeeded at Great Yarmouth by Canon Gilbert Thurlow, was invited to America as the

guest speaker at the eighth convention of the American Guild of Handbell Ringers. Although as an exponent of handbell ringing he holds a unique position, in this country his selection as President of the Central Council, which is primarily interested in the change-ringing side of ringing, was because of his expert knowledge of church bells, both historically and as exemplified by the work of the Towers and Belfries Committee. Tunc ringing on handbells has not a place in the Central Council activities, and we do not think it will be generally acceptable unless handbell ringing plays, as it does in many American churches, an integral part in the music of church worship.

Probably the most important addition in this country was the new 12 at Tewkesbury on April 5th, with a tenor of 27 cwt. Two other eights were at St. Peter's, Harrogate, and St. Clement's, Hastings; there were new bells at Thames Ditton and other minor rings.

The Central Council meeting at Great Yarmouth will be remembered not merely for the Vicar becoming the national President but for the last address to the Council by Mr. E. H. Lewis. In it he recalled a speech he made 50 years ago. His knowledge has added new principles in bell hanging. For 27 years he was national President, and ringers from all over the country attended the memorial service at St. Giles', Cripplegate, on November 2nd. Of Mr. Lewis it can be said he portrayed to Church leaders a new conception of English ringers that has brought about a different relationship between the incumbent and the belfry.

There were other deaths of note: Thomas H. Taffender, for 50 years Master of the London County Association; A. Charles Hazelden, convener of the Biographies Committee of the Central Council; H. W. Lidbetter, Frank Oakshott, Wilfred J. Newman and Lewis W. Wiffin. One most keenly felt was that of Derek Ogden, aged 30, president of Manchester University Society. Ireland had its loss by the passing in the belfry of St. Patrick's Cathedral of T. McMorran.

Social activities were very numerous. There were three tours in Ireland, Pipe's Pilgrims in Southern England, Wilfrid Williams' in Devon, Cambridge University Guild in Cornwall, the Clerical Guild in West Midlands, Tom Lock's in the North East, and many others. What was, however, very impressive was the Coventry Cathedral rally on April 20th, attended by 1,600 ringers. Much has been omitted of 1963 happenings; but memories will be refreshed by the publication later of 'The Ringing World' Index, and readers will then be able to place in their own relative importance the different happenings of the year.



## LET'S DROP IN ON SOMERSET

The city of Salisbury is notable in that its Cathedral has the highest steeple in the British Isles and the emptiest tower. Salisbury, nevertheless, was chosen as headquarters for a ringing tour in Wiltshire and Somerset during the second weekend in November, by two minibus loads of hopeful ringers from Kent and Surrey. They left on Friday evening and after an evening meal at a Chinese restaurant in Guildford reached their final destination at about 11 p.m. All slept soundly that night, except Hilary Martin who woke up around 3 a.m. to find her room full of green dragons; but these quickly disappeared when Bob Hinde arrived on the scene.

The weekend's ringing commenced on Saturday morning at Warminster where, under the leadership of Stewart Kimber, we rang Plain Bob, Bristol, Stedman and Yorkshire. Despite good reports of the bells at Frome, our second tower, they were not really above average, the rattling of the tenor being particularly disconcerting. But with Colin Tester encouraging us, we rang London, Grandsire, Rutland and three leads of Bristol.

The bells of Evercreech must be almost equally well-known to ringers and non-ringers alike, and we thought they sounded just as nice 'in the tin' as it were, as 'from the can.' It could be said that our party was divided into two camps—the self-confessed exponents of Royal and Maximus and the protagonists of Minor and Major, with a small overspill from each to the other—and following a well-struck touch of Grandsire Caters, the Royalists, led by Frank Darby, took hold for London. After some initial crashing around, in which Nick Martin figured prominently, all seemed to be going well but, about half-way through the course, a fire-up occurred and Mr. Darby reluctantly advised his men to surrender. Then, with the assistance of some recreant Roundheads, half a course of Cambridge was completed, and we attempted to lower in peal, but again Nicholas failed to make the grade, this time on the treble, and he retired in some confusion from the tower before the tenor was half-way down.

We acquitted ourselves well on the cool eight at Dicheat, and rang Plain Bob, Six Spliced, Surprise and a touch of Stedman and then, with Nick standing beside him, notling sagely from time to time, Stewart Kimber demonstrated the manner in which bells should be trebled down in peal. Bob Hinde had arranged a sandwich lunch in the nearby

Manor House Inn, and we all enjoyed beer, cider, sandwiches, pickled onions and Cornish pasties, at half the usual prices.

The most notable tower, as far as the Minor ringers were concerned, was the 36 cwt. six at Queen Camel, which had been anticipated with the greatest pleasure, and courses of Cambridge, Plain Bob, Little Bob and Double Caave were rung. Dave Manger and Andy Macve rang this heavy tenor with their usual consummate skill, but we could not fail to observe the evident distress experienced by the unhappy Mr. Martin when he tried. The fine old Abbey at Sherborne was next on our programme and on the loud and heavy eight we rang successful courses of Plain Bob, London and Grandsire, and ended with three leads of Bristol.

The church of Wimborne St. Giles will of course be familiar to those ringers related to Lord Shaftesbury, for it stands on his land. Although we were not actually welcomed by his Lordship, nor were we invited back to the ancestral home for evening cocktails afterwards, our visit was nevertheless worth while, if only for the pleasure of ringing the bells. We didn't have much time here, but managed a good touch of six Spliced Surprises, and then some Plain Bob.

After Wimborne, our party split up, one vanload going to the practice at St. Thomas', Salisbury, and the other to seek much needed nourishment. Strangely enough, however, we met again later, quite accidentally, in the local Chinese nosh bar: all except Dave Manger (and friend) who disappeared into the wilderness in search of less exotic food.

Sunday was Remembrance Day, and we rang at St. Paul's, Salisbury, before attending the Remembrance Service at the Cathedral. After lunch, we left Salisbury and made a quick dash to Winchester Cathedral where we were due to ring at 2.30 p.m. Stedman Cinques was not very successful, nor was Cambridge Maximus (despite the strong contingent of College Youths), but we managed Grandsire Cinques and rounds. Our last tower was an unscheduled grab at Farnham, where we were allowed to join the local band for Evensong ringing.

This was an excellent weekend, enjoyed by all. Bob Hinde's organisation (and driving) was faultless and we are indebted to him for the trouble he took to ensure that all went smoothly. We should also thank Colin Tester, Stewart Kimber and Dave Manger, who shared the driving. J. D. F.

## DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

Although the first snow of the winter had fallen only a few days previously, a small but representative gathering of ringers was present when the annual meeting of the Chesterfield District was held at Old Whittington on December 14th. Ringing to suit all tastes took place on the light (5 cwt.) six before the company of over 25 adjourned to the Church Hall for an excellent tea prepared by the wives and friends of the local company.

The secretary's report, at the business meeting, showed a welcome revival of interest during 1963, with over 35 new members. The chairman, Mr. F. Adams, indicated his wish to retire, as he had been in office for almost 20 years. Accepting his resignation with reluctance, the meeting unanimously decided to mark his long period of service by electing him an honorary life member.

The District Committee for 1964 was elected as follows: Chairman, Mr. D. Cooper (Bolsover); committee: Mr. G. N. Goodall (Dronfield) and Mr. C. J. Hughes (Old Whittington); Ringing Master, Mr. A. Keller (Bolsover); secretary, Mr. M. Phipps (Chesterfield). Following the election of Stephen and Paul Stanton (Clowne) as ringing members and Mr. A. Smith (Staveley) as an honorary member, the meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Rector, the Rev. J. L. Davies, the local company and ladies for providing tea. Most of the company attended Compline before further ringing was enjoyed until 9 p.m.

Next meeting: Staveley, January 11th (provisional). M. P. P.

## THE NORWICH ASSOCIATION

As Loddon bells were only available during the afternoon, the evening ringing took place at Raveningham, a nearby five bell tower, at the Eastern Branch's meeting on December 7th.

The service, which was held at Loddon, was conducted by the Vicar (Canon C. R. Ninham), the lesson read by the Association president (Mr. N. Golden) and the organist was Canon Gilbert Thurlow.

The short business meeting was presided over by the Branch chairman (Miss D. Lidbetter), who proposed the vote of thanks, which included Mrs. H. W. Barrett and her helpers for an excellent tea.

Mr. G. Walpole, the Ringing Master at Norton Subcourse, said he hoped that work on rehanging the six bells would be carried out in the near future. The chairman congratulated Canon Thurlow on being appointed to the Residentiary Canonry of Norwich Cathedral, and reminded members that the Branch annual meeting was being held at Great Yarmouth, February 8th. N. P. J. C.

## THE LADIES' GUILD

Three new members—the Misses Bevan, Pidgeon and McGinty—were elected when the Western District of the Guild met at Radstock on December 14th. Miss S. Lewis was transferred to the Midland District.

The vote of thanks was proposed by Mrs. De Jong to the Rev. N. E. Mitchell for conducting the service, to Mr. Carter and the ladies for an excellent tea. H. K.

## LONG LENGTH ATTEMPT CALLED ROUND

The attempt to call the longest peal of Royal 'in hand' at Marple, Cheshire, on December 14th, was called round at 13.320 changes, which took 7 hours and 2 minutes to ring.

Ringing settled down and the first 10,000 changes were perfectly satisfactory, but afterwards we began to miss the odd dodge. Rather than pass the existing record with a peal that would give us the slightest doubt about its superiority we shortened the peal after the 7th part. The peal was conducted by Neil Bennett. BOB SMITH.

## TOWER GRABBERS' CHANCE

An esteemed reader suggests that if we publish a list of leading peal ringers for the year we should also consider printing a subsidiary list of people who have rung in 100 towers during the year.

I feel that the "tower grabber" should have his efforts publicly acknowledged in "The Ringing World" just as the peal grabber, he writes.

After taking part in several very enjoyable expeditions to lesser known towers, I am more than ever convinced that such outings do an immense amount of good. They help to keep certain towers in ringing order, when they might otherwise become "unringable" through lack of use. From remarks passed at the time, local people are delighted to hear their bells being rung—perhaps for the first time for several months. Such outings also give youngsters an experience on a wide variety of bells and an added interest to their ringing.

[To give tower grabbers a chance we will publish in February a list of those who have rung in 100 towers or more during 1963. Write name, tower, number in 1963, total in brackets. We do not want lists of towers.]

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

The A.G.M. of the Chew Branch was held at Wrington (10) on December 7th, when ringing preceded the Association service, conducted by the Rector, the Rev. B. Lee.

Tea was served to some 40 members and friends in the Village Hall, after which the business meeting was chaired by Mr. H. W. Knight. The secretary, Mr. D. Yeo, reported a slight rise in membership, which now stood at 208, including three associate members. All affiliation fees had been paid.

Officers elected for 1964 were as follows: Chairman and Ringing Master: Mr. H. W. Knight; vice-chairmen: Messrs. C. Bishop and L. Derrick; secretary: Mr. D. G. Yeo; reporter, Mr. J. Brain. The Rev. J. Ramsey (Easton-in-Gordano) and J. Webb (Ubley) were elected members. Subject to permission, the April quarterly meeting will be held at Long Ashton, with practice meetings at Portbury (January), Barrow Gurney (February) and Weston-in-Gordano (March). The proposal to hold the 1964 striking competition at Nempnett Thurbwell on May 23rd was approved. The Branch supported the nomination of Mr. G. W. Massey, of Frome, as peal secretary, with effect from the next Association A.G.M. at Minehead.

In giving details of Branch peals and quarters, Mr. Brain mentioned the creditable performance of the Portbury band in ringing the first peal on the bells since 1907.

J. B.

## 5,024 Eastcote Surprise Major

By DEREK OGDEN  
M B W H 23456

—	3	43652
—	2	32654
x	3	25346
x	3	54263
x	—	3 34562
—	3	63542
—	—	54632
—	—	42635
x	3	23456

First rung at Salford on June 25th, 1963.



## College of Campanology Registrar Killed

Mr. David Peter Jones (23), motoring home on December 17th to his widowed mother, Mrs. E. H. Jones, for the Christmas vacation from Shrewsbury School, where he was serving on the teaching staff, was tragically killed within a few miles of his Portsmouth destination, in circumstances in which it appears he was entirely blameless.

He had been for some time the registrar of the College of Campanology, having taken up ringing while at Oxford, where he gained an honours degree in physics.

He was a devoted teacher, and had been torn between continuing in his post and going to Sussex University next summer to take his Doctorate of Philosophy.

A former pupil of Portsmouth Southern Grammar School, he, like his elder brother John, won an open scholarship to Balliol. He was a gifted musician, playing piano and organ. He made rapid progress in ringing, and was a member of the Portsmouth Cathedral Guild; to which he had introduced his mother, who learned to ring there, and has become the Guild secretary.

The College extends its sympathies to the family. Mr. Jones' death means a loss not only to ringing but also to his profession.

A. Y. B.

### MR. NORMAN A TOMLINSON APPRECIATIONS

The death of Norman A. Tomlinson removes from our midst one more member of a Ringing Society, at Christ Church, Southgate, which in its hey-day reached a level of performance at the least comparable with any other then local band. Apart from continuously regular Sunday service ringing the Society rang, on April 17th, 1926, a peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal, in those days no mean achievement: Norman ringing the sixth. He rang his first peal of Plain Bob Major at Southgate on September 28th, 1905, in which year he commenced his lifelong membership of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild. Of this body he was Ringing Master, North and East District, from 1924 to 1929. In this latter year he married Miss P. A. Upsher, a ringer from nearby Edmonton, who took part in the first peal of Stedman Caters rung by the Ladies' Guild.

Norman died on December 16th, 1963, aged 77 years, and was buried in Southgate Cemetery, within sound of the bells he loved for so long. A course of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells over the open grave by A. W. Coles 1-2, M. F. Lock 3-4, T. J. Lock 5-6, H. G. Hart 7-8, whilst S. G. Peck (Southgate) and R. Newman (Holloway) were also present. A memorial touch on the tower bells will be rung at a later date.

To his widow and daughter, members of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild extend their sincere sympathy in the loss of such a faithful and long standing fellow member.

T. J. L.

Norman was born 77 years ago, and entered the ringing room in his early teens. With such men as Sid Wade, W. Pickworth, the brothers Millar, J. H. Armstrong, G. Bester and A. Glasscock in attendance, he soon made progress in the art of change ringing. After the First World War Mr. and Mrs. George W. Fletcher, W. Bowden and John Nash were very regular ringers at Christ Church with him. From the outset he was in with a good band. He always tried to pass on to others who were not so well versed in the art, the knowledge he had and consequently was often found on practice nights at St. John-the-

Baptist, Barnet, All Hallows', Tottenham, St. Mary the Virgin, Monken Hadley, or for any special ringing.

From his very early years, he was a member of the local lodge of the Manchester Unity Independent Order of Oddfellows, but his health was so poor during the last few years of his life that he was obliged to give up all his activities and was seldom seen in the ringing or lodge rooms. He leaves a widow and one daughter to mourn his passing, not to mention those who knew him so well. The ringing fraternity can ill afford to lose such people as Norman, but time passes on and waits for no man.

R. N.

### MR. JAMES FREDERICK GEORGE

By the sudden death of Fred George, at the age of 76, Ilkeston has lost the valued services of an old and esteemed ringer. Fred was admitted to the Nottingham General Hospital three weeks ago for an operation, and after making a good recovery was on the point of being discharged when he suffered a fatal heart attack early on Sunday, December 8th.

He was a ringer at St. Mary's for nearly 60 years and, although not a prolific peal ringer, he had about 60 peals to his credit for the old Midland Counties Association. His main concern was for Sunday service ringing, and he could always be relied upon to attend twice every Sunday unless prevented by illness.

On the formation of the Ilkeston District of the Derbyshire Association in 1946, Fred was elected chairman, and held this office with credit for six years.

The Ilkeston ringers and his many friends in the District, mourn the loss of a very sincere friend and servant of the church.

The funeral was at St. Mary's on December 13th, followed by cremation at Derby, and to mark the sad occasion the bells of St. Mary's were rung half-muffled by members of the Ilkeston District.

### MR. P. L. PARSLOW

Percy Parslow died at his home in Watford on December 16th: he would have been 77 next month.

Learning to ring at Mitcham, he came to Watford a few years before the First World War and joined the band at St. James', Bushey, in the days of Bertram Prewett. He had thus been a ringer at Bushey for some fifty years.

In his day, Percy was an excellent ringer, particularly in Stedman Triples. Except for the annual outing he rarely went out ringing, and had rung few peals: the most notable probably being the only peal of Original Triples, which was rung at Bushey in 1926, conducted by Maurice Hibbert. He was a most regular attendant for service ringing on Sundays, travelling over three miles each way, generally by bus, in all weathers. Last year he suffered a severe accident, in which his arm was broken, but as soon as he could get about he returned to the heltry, some weeks before he was able to ring. He rang for the last time the day before he died.

Percy was a quiet, modest man, and a very likeable character. By his passing the band loses not only a link with the past, but also a very faithful supporter. The deepest sympathy is extended to his widow and family.

C. W. W.

SCARBOROUGH, YORKS.—On Dec. 14th, 2.160 Plain Bob Minor (tenor cover): G. Beach 1, W. Fay 2, E. P. King 3, M. King 4, S. Wright 5, B. Sutton 6, F. D. Murray 7. Half-muffled as a token of respect for the late Vicar, Canon D. Oxy Parker (d. 12-12-63).

## QUEX PARK SOCIETY

A cold, crisp day saw the annual meeting of the Quex Park Society recently. Arriving early afternoon in the square we were met by the mini and taken over to the tower, which was just as well, as the footpath, so long known to generations of ringers, has now fallen to the endless need for more building land. One was hoping that the fire was going, and we were not disappointed, half way up the chimney as usual. As someone remarked, it was all right after we had burnt the birds' nests out.

Two attempts for a quarter of Stedman failed during the afternoon, it was then decided that it was tea that was required. Enough to feed twice as many as there were there. It must have been the tea, the quarter was rung immediately after. Tony Bridges calling his first quarter in good style. It was soon decided that more refreshment was wanted and so we got down to the serious business of the day, the meeting.

Birchington Bert Luck was the bartender, and Canterbury Bert Luck the chairman of the meeting. The business was transacted in the usual serious manner, there being one or two discussions which were more than interesting. Jack Russell was reappointed secretary and captain. Tony Bridges vice-captain, Ted Milstead steeplekeeper (after all he works on the estate and can keep a handy eye on things).

Regret was expressed that Frank Carter was moving to Warwickshire before the end of the year. Frank said that he would be sorry to leave as he would miss all the ringers, and above all being present at the annual meeting, which, he said, must be unique in the country.

By this time we were getting suitably warmed by the fire and the refreshments, so the rest of the evening was given over to singing, this year with an increased orchestra, three recorders instead of two. All the old favourite songs and carols were done—with great gusto! Two members got in some furious practice on the handbells for the staff party at the Mansion nearer Christmas, the rest of the party telling them how to ring them or what to ring. We had to leave at ten o'clock, but were warmed on our journey by the lusty singing still coming from the tower.

B. J. L.

## OUTING

### ST. WENDREDA'S, MARCH

Four towers in South-West Lincolnshire were visited by March ringers during their traditional Christmas outing on December 21st. The first was Witham-on-the-Hill, home of Lincolnshire's mightiest oak, with a circumference of 45 feet. An enjoyable hour was spent on the bells, which have been recently rung, before moving on to All Saints', Stamford. This church has been largely enriched by Americans whose ancestors emigrated from Stamford. Tea followed in an old-world restaurant.

Uffington Church has recently spent several hundreds of pounds on its bells, and these proved to be a popular ring. In the churchyard lies a 10-year-old boy who fell from an ass in 1815. The inscription on his tomb reads:

Farewell relations, tutor all:

And take warning by my sudden fall:

Let your whole life sincerely pious be,

For who can tell how soon you'll follow me.

Ringing concluded on the melodious six at Deeping St. James, where the party was met by the Rector and local ringers. Included in the ringing during the outing were Kent and Oxford T.B., Cambridge and Norwich Surprise. Happy New Year to incumbents and those who met the party.

T. A. B.

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## Letters to the Editor

### Long Length of Yorkshire Royal

Dear Sir,—As I have never met Mr. Ainsworth, I am therefore in no position to judge his integrity, even if I wished to do so. It may interest him to know, however, that I follow the activities of a few of this generation's young ringers with keen interest, he being one of them, and in most cases I have gained a good impression. In his own case my impression of him has been gained by his activities with the Birmingham ringers. I have known these ringers, past and present, since the late 1920's and have rung several peals with them, plus other occasions. Their standard of ringing I know to be very high and this was especially so in the 1930's and immediately after the war. They would not tolerate bad striking, especially in peal attempts. So my impression of Mr. Ainsworth has been a good one, though in fairness to myself I must state I have not visited Birmingham since 1952, but see no reason to believe their standard has deteriorated in any way.

Having said this, let us now come to the reason for this correspondence, that of the attempt for the long length of Yorkshire Royal and the ringing of two ordinary length peals when this attempt had failed.

Seven courses rung before deciding the standard of ringing was not good enough, followed immediately by proudly proclaiming the ringing of two ordinary length peals. I ask you! Surely Mr. Ainsworth did not expect such a statement to get by without being questioned? If two peals could be rung at a satisfactory (to them) level of ringing, what presented them from making another attempt that day for the 21,000 changes, as there was plenty of time? I cannot really accept this statement and instead of Mr. Ainsworth stating—I quote—'If W. J. is a ringer of experience he will know, etc.' I am going to suggest the fault lies in that it was the result of his own inexperience (a phase we all go through when young) in not selecting a band who could at once settle down to a rhythm on any ring of bells, light or heavy, ringers who knew the method from A-Z, and who could at once put themselves right if by chance they made a trip. There are plenty of ringers today with all these capabilities!

Now I will make a suggestion. If Mr. Ainsworth is contemplating making another attempt for this long length, he should make it on a ring of men's bells. This will—if successful—take a couple of hours or so longer, but he will be well compensated by having something well worth listening to as well as having done something well worth doing.

Think it over, Mr. Ainsworth.

I can visualise the ghost of bygone stalwarts of Loughborough Parish Church walking the heltry floor when these attempts are on, and the bells above quietly humming their version of a current song:

'Where have all the ringers gone,  
Gone to the Foundry every one.  
When will they ever learn?' etc.

I do not intend to pursue this subject any further, but hope to ring a good twelve bell peal with Mr. Ainsworth and enjoy a pint of beer in the 'local' afterwards, where I am sure we shall both gain a little more experience or, at least, think we have.—Yours faithfully,

WALTER JUDGE (W. J.).

Oxon.

### Youngest Peal Conductor

Dear Sir.—In reply to the inquiry of Mr. Geo. Fry concerning the youngest peal conductor, I believe the honour belongs to either Roderick W. Pipe, of Grundisburgh, or Donald L. Mills, of Bures.

D. L. Mills commenced bob calling aged 12 and conducted his first peal just after his 13th birthday. Being an important time of his education his composing and peal conducting was curtailed, but in spite of this he managed to conduct Major, including several Surprise methods from all eight positions. He had the pleasure of being proposed to the College Youths by a well-known back-ender when he was 16 but also had the disappointment of attending a well-known tower on practice night and was not allowed a rope.

Whilst writing might I suggest that the Central Council compiles an 'In Memoriam' of all peals and quarters to present to the family of the late President Kennedy. Done by hand, it would be even more impressive; the cost to be met by subscription. The Americans have been more than generous to our restorations: let us prove our gratitude.—Yours faithfully,

L. D. MILLS.

Bures, Suffolk.

### Nomenclature

Dear Sir.—I hope that nobody would be able to ring Belgrave Maximus as a 12th place lead end method as suggested by Mr. John E. Cook (page 812). He means, of course, that not many people could ring it by knowing that the half-lead is firsts place and not elevenths as in Yorkshire.

I entirely agree that a name used in a peal of spliced should stand when the method is rung to a whole peal, and changing names makes the keeping of records somewhat difficult as has been amply proved in the past. The point in his third paragraph has been adequately dealt with to most people's satisfaction by the rules on extension, as the recent controversy over the name Durham has shown.—Yours sincerely,

D. G. SIBSON.

### The Old Clock Tower, Hackney

Dear Sir,—Perhaps other readers will be interested to learn of the clock bell in the Clock Tower, Hackney.

It is approximately 2 feet 3 inches diameter, supported by a wooden headstock on a wood frame. Around the bell is the inscription J. WARNER & SON, CRESCENT FOUNDRY LONDON. 1857. whilst on one side of the bell is a Royal Coat of Arms with the word PATENT underneath.

Has anyone information about the Crescent Foundry, etc. Sad to say, the bell is not working as the public in the vicinity disagreed in having to hear the hours struck.—Yours sincerely,

L. B. J. HUNTLEY,

Secretary.

St. John-at-Hackney Ringers.

### St. Clement's, Hastings

Dear Sir.—Well done, Hastings, with a new ring of eight instead of the old steel bells. For the sake of the record may I point out that the steel bells were installed in 1863, and all of them bore the same inscription: 'Cast steel Naylor Vickers and Co. 1863. E. Reipe's patent.'—Yours sincerely,

WM. SHEPHERD.

Addlestone, Surrey.

### Burslem Delight

Dear Sir,—The method rung at Attenborough on November 23rd is not an extension of Burslem D.M., for the following two reasons.

When the treble dodges in 7-8, a completely new sub-section, 14-14, is introduced, which is not present in Burslem Delight Minor.

In all extensions of Minor methods with 5ths place at the half-lead, the pivot place of the Major must be 7ths under the treble.

Perhaps this obvious complete disregard for Central Council Decisions on Method Extension can be rectified immediately by a change of name.—Yours sincerely,

Windsor. FRANK T. BLAGROVE.

### Unknown Articles

Dear Sir,—Mr. Hudson's essay, 'Campanology—Art or Science?' raises an important question. Since the war there have been many individual attempts at programming various computers for different tasks—it seems there could well be more rapport between the people having valuable access to these instruments, since there is so much that can be done and is being done in certain quarters.

Further than this, I think young or would-be composers and dabbles in figures would benefit from a more complete knowledge of what has already been achieved (and even attempted) in the way of ringing theory, whether general or specific. What would aid this would be a series of reprints of age-old essays, letters and articles which have appeared in 'The Ringing World' over years and years and which, without a lot of searching and copying, remain unavailable.

These reprints could well be accompanied by comments from an eminent present-day composer who specialises in the field in question. All too rarely do such articles appear—the last I recall was Halls and Carlisle's on 'Composing Cambridge'—which could well be followed by many others. How many people, I wonder, are aware how to call a peal of Spliced 'Cambridge-up' ringing Middleton's and 'making it up as they go along'—getting a true peal?—Yours, etc.,

Chalfont St. Giles. G. B. THOMPSON.

### Lapsed Members

Dear Sir,—For as long as I have been a ringer and long before that, the 'lapsed member', to use an Irishism, has been with us. I should imagine all ringing Guilds and Associations when they hold their annual meetings make some reference to the number of lapsed members yet I cannot recall any motion being put forward to consider how this wastage can be reduced.

I do not suppose, for a moment, there is a simple answer as the reasons for 'dropping out' are many and varied. In these enlightened days it should not be impossible to do something about it. In the main I think the chief cause of loss is due to the inability of 'instructors' to 'put it over.' It is surprising the number of recruits who are unaware of the advantages of being a ringer and the pleasures they can experience through the art—too many of us who have experienced these pleasures are apt to take them for granted and do not tell others.

The season for A.G.M.'s is approaching so might I suggest that Branches start some movement at their level which will reduce the number of lapsed members. Could we not have a Branch liaison officer who could contact our erring members, find out the reason for the lapse, then, if possible, remove that reason?

When we know the cause, perhaps we can find a cure but until we do find one the number of lost members will not be reduced.—Yours,

Loughborough

JOHN P. FIDLER.

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## Christmas Day Broadcast

Dear Sir.—The Christmas broadcast was in my opinion the best so far produced. My hearty congratulations to all concerned.

As regards criticism, the ringing performance of Market Drayton was outstanding. It would be difficult indeed to emulate their performance.

Apsley End was to a degree disappointing and probably this was perhaps due to the 'slowing down' of the recording. The ten of Christ Church, Swindon, were rung too quickly, but despite this the standard was very good.

The remaining three (St. Patrick's, Coleraine, St. Teilo's, Llandeilo, and Dunblane Cathedral) were well received, with the Stedman sounding particularly good from Dunblane Cathedral.

In conclusion it was most disappointing not to have heard Lincoln Cathedral, and to emphasise this no reason was given for their exclusion by the B.B.C.—Yours, etc.,

K. R. DUNSTAN.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD North Dorset Branch

The annual meeting of the Branch was held at Mere on December 14th, and attended by 34 ringers, including visitors from Berkshire, Wiltshire and Somerset.

The fine-sounding eight were raised at 3 p.m. and touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples were rung until the Guild Office at 4.30 p.m., which was conducted by the chairman, the Rev. R. G. Chaffey Moore. The lesson was read by the vice-chairman, the Rev. R. A. Wells, and the address given by the Vicar, the Rev. N. E. E. Johnson.

Tea was followed by the annual meeting, at which the following elections were made: Chairman, the Rev. R. G. Chaffey Moore; vice-chairman, the Rev. R. A. Wells; honorary secretary, the Rev. R. N. Longridge; Ringing Masters, Mrs. M. Godfrey, Mr. W. C. Shute and Mr. Ben Ridout; committee, Mr. J. Ralph and Mr. E. Chant.

Grants for belfry repairs were approved for Gillingham and Margaret's Marsh. Meetings in 1964 were provisionally arranged for Sturminster Newton, Bourton, Thornford and the annual at Gillingham. An outing was suggested to take place in early September. An invitation from the Ilchester Branch of the Bath and Wells Association to have a joint meeting in the summer was accepted. The honorary secretary, in his report, said that membership had dropped from 145 to 140, but 17 new members had come in during the year; eight towers had defaulted in their subscriptions. Mr. Shute, in the Ringing Master's report, spoke of the regular Saturday practices, at which any ringer was welcome, and of methods concentrated on during the year, especially Double Court. The usual thanks were expressed and ringing continued at Mere, and also at Bourton.

R. N. L.

**ORSETT, ESSEX.**—(On Dec. 7th, 1,264 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Miss E. Mason (first in the method) 1, Miss J. E. M. Hills (first of Kent Minor) 2, Mrs. D. G. Mayell 3, H. Turner 4, V. J. C. Dale (first in the method) 5, D. G. Mayell (cond.) 6. First of Treble Bob on the bells. A wedding compliment to Joyce Sargeant and Brian Crowthe.

## A RINGER'S A.B.C.

- A. The Artful ringer. Only rings what he thinks he will.
- B. The Boring ringer. He eats, drinks and sleeps ringing. Will turn all conversation back to ringing.
- C. The Crafty ringer. The one who went wrong, but will gradually work it round so that everyone else thinks it was he who went wrong and not him.
- D. The Dopey ringer. There are some around.
- F. The Faithful ringer. One who stays to service.
- G. The Genial ringer. Always smiling and is good company.
- H. The Helpful ringer. Always ready to give a hand.
- I. The 'I' ringer. I've done this, I've done that. A friend of the boring type.
- J. The Journeyman ringer. Tower grabber.
- K. The Kinky ringer. Has mannerisms whilst ringing.
- L. The Lady ringers. The ones you can't do anything with, but can do precious little without.
- M. The Moody ringer. The one who everyone else is afraid of upsetting, because he's too blooming useful.
- N. The Nuisance ringer. Upsets everyone bar himself.
- O. The Opulent ringer. One who owns a car, and is the one you never shout at, because he comes in handy for a lift to and from meetings.
- P. The Persevering ringer. One who really tries.
- Q. The Queer ringer. Nothing's ever right, the bells are bad, the ringing's bad, the sermon's poor, not enough tea. Quite unpopular.
- R. The Reliable ringer. Always there when you want him.
- S. The Tower Secretary. If anything goes wrong, he gets the blame. If everything goes right, the Captain gets all the credit.
- U. The Uncutuous ringer. Will help with the learners if pressed, but will slide out of it if possible.
- V. The Vociferous ringer. One who always knows what he was doing the lead before, knew what he had got to do the lead after, but never knows what he was supposed to be doing when the touch broke down.
- W. The Willing ringer. Doesn't care if it snows.
- X. The ringer with the unknown qualities.
- Y. The Young ringers. They want the encouragement to keep them going.
- Z. The Zealous ringer. Has all the good points.

B. J. L.

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Rung at Putney, February 23rd, 1963.

## FROM DERBYSHIRE INTO MID-WALES

Central Wales was chosen for the Gresley annual outing on November 16th. Very bad fog in the early stages caused considerable delay, made worse by dangerous icy roads, but brilliant sunshine broke through on entering Shropshire, enhancing the fine setting of Clive Church, set under its wooden sandstone 'Clyffe,' which gives its name to the village. Mr. Lloyd had patiently waited, and the noble six bells, a vintage Taylor ring with 25 cwt. tenor, one of the heaviest sixes in the country, were soon taxing the ringers' strength.

Considerable time was regained on the long run of 45 miles to the next tower, Llandinam, Montgomeryshire, the way lying through magnificent Welsh Border scenery, round the Breidden Hills dropping steeply to the Severn, the autumn colours lit by the bright sun. The little six (6 cwt.) at St. Llonio's Church were much enjoyed; the Rev. W. Parry and head ringer Mr. Weaver welcomed the party and inquired how change ringing was learned.

The valley was followed a few miles further to Llanidloes, where the pleasant and tuneful six (9 cwt.) of St. Idloes Church, a ground-floor ring, in another wooden-topped tower, were soon in action. Another warm welcome and best wishes for the tour came from the Rev. J. J. Williams before partaking of long-awaited lunch near the old Market Hall, which straddles the centre of this delightful Montgomeryshire town.

The storm clouds which gathered over Plynlimmon Mountain did not spoil the superb vistas from the mountain road as it wound its way up the Wye Valley to near the river's source, before dropping to the seaside capital of Central Wales. Heavy rain descended on arrival at St. Padarn's Church, Llanbadarn Fawr, Aberystwyth. The excellent Rudhall octave (tenor 13 cwt.) is housed in a massive square tower and the ringing room was one of the widest the visitors had seen.

Tea was taken on the promenade, but a rain-swept shingle beach and a line of foam were all that was seen of the sea. The rain gradually eased on the journey back to Newtown, Montgomeryshire, where once more the Rector and ringing secretary, Mr. H. Corfield, added to the series of welcomes which seem so characteristic of Welsh towers. Unfortunately, repairs had just commenced to the brick tower of St. David's Church, which was encased in scaffolding. On attempting to raise the 7 cwt. tenor it displayed curious behaviour. The bell was found to be jammed halfway up with its stay trapped by some injudiciously placed scaffolding. Some brute force soon freed the bell, but of course it could not be rung. Notwithstanding, the best striking of the day was accomplished on the front five of this easy-going ring; so all were satisfied.

It was not far over the hills to Church Stoke, where members of Mr. Shuker's team received the visitors warmly, and a last good ring was had on the very nice five (tenor 8 cwt.) rung from a whitewashed ground-floor room that seems more in keeping with a Georgian house than the usual type of ringing chamber, the ropes falling around a rather lugubrious piece of furniture—an ancient bier! The 90 miles home went smoothly, and arrival was well before midnight, after a long but memorable day.

D. P. J.

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## THE MUG IN NORFOLK

LONG ago (three years to be precise) the Manchester University Guild took to the lakes and plains of Norfolk on a ringing tour. Last winter it was suggested that we should invade Norfolk again in August. Indeed, why not? The tour, as of old, was divided in two. The first week was spent cycling to towers and the second at more leisurely (?) paces sailing to towers on the Broads.

Our rendezvous was St. George's, Colegate, Norwich, on a fine Saturday evening. Ringing began after a prayer. In spite of a limited number of arrivals we were able to start with Stedman Doubles, Bob Minor, Cambridge Minor and Grandsire Doubles. Signing in at Norwich Youth Hostel marked the beginning of our 'acquaintance' with 'Mister Warden'. A pack of Wolf Cubs, like ourselves temporary residents, provided entertainment for all.

The following morning we joined local ringers for service ringing at St. Peter Mancroft. The touches were mostly of Stedman Caters, finishing with 'quick' rounds on 12. Some had gone earlier to assist ringing at St. Giles'. After ringing we were more than glad to have coffee in the City Fire Station at the invitation of Mr. Bird. This refreshment did much to boost our morale for the 13-mile 'trek' to Reedham. Our journey was interrupted for a snack lunch at the Leg of Mutton inn. At Reedham we racked our brains for five-bell methods and three miles further on we did a little better on the six at Halvergate. More than once the thought was reiterated 'Who said Norfolk was flat?'. The Acle new road proved an exception and with the help of a following wind we made record speed into Yarmouth.

It was a joy to ring on the 12 bells at St. Nicholas' for Evensong. After the service it was worth staying a little longer to look at the church's beautifully restored interior. As we were too late to receive a meal at the hostel we descended, rather unintentionally, upon a restaurant-cum fish shop in the town. Full of high spirits we visited the Pleasure Gardens for an hour.

Those who saw the early light of Monday morning also witnessed a little band of brave (?) souls led by John Baldwin plunge into the North Sea. A few strokes, a few splashes and a quick rub down with a sandy towel in a gusty wind made at least one individual mutter to himself, 'Is this the life?'. The ritual was observed on all three mornings during our stay in Yarmouth.

### FOR THE B.B.C.

The first tower was Gorleston, followed by St. Andrew's, Lowestoft. At Pakefield a man from the B.B.C. arrived and said that he wanted to make a film recording of us ringing at Kessingland for the evening newsreel. When we arrived at St. Edmund's there, sure enough, were two men with a camera and tape recorder. Upon instructions from these gentlemen we were filmed while pedalling at high speed through the lych-gate. Other 'shots' included our entry to the tower and our efforts in the ringing chamber. The standard of striking had not been too good that morning but everything else went well just then and a couple of spanking touches of Bob Minor seemed to put things right. The president of the Nottingham University Society made us welcome at this, his home tower.

John B. and Jean were to be captured later and return with the cameramen to the studios in Norwich for an appearance in the newsreel programme. Our last official visit for the day was to St. Mary's on the private estate of Somerleyton Hall. There was a rush back to Yarmouth for the newsreel programme.

Tuesday morning saw us grinding our way from Yarmouth (in fine weather, for a change) along the A143 over the Haddiscoe marshes to Beccles. The tower of St. Michael and All Angels seemed rather 'open,' with sight-seers wandering to and fro while we were ringing but it was nevertheless enjoyable to ring Caters on these bells. At Bungay John Soanes put us through our striking paces by calling some changes in true Devonshire style.

After ringing Raveningham at Raveningham we pedalled back to the hostel at Yarmouth.



In the morning we said our turahs (a Mancunian's adieu) to the hostel wardens and pushed onward along the now familiar route to Haddiscoe, where at St. Mary's both a touch and a plain course of Haddiscoe were rung. At Lodden, too, we were able to enjoy the sunshine after the ringing. We polished our London Minor at Bergh Apton, and the spiral staircase hidden from view behind the tower at Shotesham confused some. Our return to Norwich Youth Hostel was accomplished in a steady downpour of rain. 'Mister Warden' seemed pleased at the prospect of a re-acquaintance with 'them ringers'!

On Thursday we turned our attention westwards of Norwich by ringing St. Remigius Bob Doubles at Hetherset, and Ellingham at Great Ellingham. A few who arrived early at Walton began to get the bells up after being told by a local inhabitant which bells were the treble and tenor. 456123 was heard a few moments later: apparently the local was mistaken. Success was achieved after the third attempt.

On Friday we cycled northward to Stratton Strawless, Marsham (where one lady cyclist gave herself and everyone else a scare) and Aylsham, where Bob Royal and Grandsire Caters were rung after a poor start. We arrived at Salle, our last tower for the day, in pouring rain and found the bells rather heavy going. The journey back to Norwich (and civilisation) was also rather heavy going.

### THE FLEET SETS SAIL

After mending a puncture for Jean in a horse trough by St. John-de-Sepulchre, Saturday marked the big occasion when we were to show our skill (or lack of skill in most cases) in handling yachts. In a fleet of five 30ft. gaff-rigged vessels we eventually set off from Wroxham to make our way, using motors, to Wroxham Broad.

We moored our boats close together for the night in what seemed a sheltered corner of the Broad. John B. was up first (as usual) and we could hear his voice wafting cheerily across the water while he sailed his dinghy in a strong, blustering wind. It was not long before we heard demands for help from John clinging to his now upturned dinghy. There was a general rush to get cameras.

In such strong winds not even our most experienced hands dared to hoist the mainsail, so we all moved on to Malthouse Broad, using our jibs. After an essential stop at the Swan, by Horning Ferry, we arrived without mishap in Ranworth Broad in time to ring for Evensong. It is a small world, for we were joined by a party of Kent ringers, who were also 'yachting' about the Broads.

Next morning we set off towards Ludham Bridge. It was fine early on, and so we all dared to hoist our mainsails, after seeing Jim and his crew do this without mishap. While making our way to the appointed destination

we often lost sight of each other and this helped us all feel slightly less embarrassed when certain incidents occurred. One such incident involved several cruisers, two yachts and a pleasure steamer, when two gentlemen from Essex managed to coil a considerable length of mainsheet round their propeller after running aground in some reeds. A few minutes later another Essex gentleman, identified as John Boyack, was seen steering his crew into the same reeds. It is a small world indeed.

The heavy five at Ludham taxed our remaining strength. At Ludham Bridge there were some first sailing lessons in the dinghies, notably those of Edward and Jean. Cries of 'Blow harder' were heard. Still heading northward we reached Barton Broad where, after a cloudburst, all brave souls led by Jim and David toddled through quagmire and muddy lanes to All Saints', Catfield. We were joined by locals, who helped us ring a variety of five-bell methods, including Norwich Surprise Minor and All Saints.

Through fine drizzle peculiar to Manchester we 'meandered' for several miles to the Acle Bridge. From there it was but a short train ride to Yarmouth, and so the practice night at St. Nicholas' was a must. A highlight of the practice for some was the Cambridge Maximus. Acle was our last tower of the tour on the Thursday morning. The return voyage was interrupted by another visit to Malthouse Broad for the night. Our last day on the Broads was perfect, weatherwise, with a fresh wind blowing. Lunch was marred because we moored by a wasp nest, although Edward did his best (or worst) as chief swatter.

The Guild would like to thank local ringers for the use of their bells, the wardens of the hostels (not forgetting 'Mister Warden') and John B. for his unflagging effort in organising the tour.

K. H. S.

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**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—On Dec. 15th, 1,440 (Oxford Treble Bob Minor: Carol Cousins (first of T.B.) 1, R. Rayfield 2, E. Godfrey 3, Margaret Godfrey 4, C. H. Macve 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6. First quarter in the method by all the band.

**ALPHINGTON, DEVON.**—On Dec. 9th, 1,280 Spliced Cambridge and Yorkshire Surprise Major: Jennifer Smith 1, Ann Fellows 2, Jean Barnett 3, J. Woolford 4, M. Lock 5, C. Reeves 6, F. Wreford 7, N. Mallett (cond.) 8. First of Spliced Surprise for all except 2 and 4. Rung by Heavitree Sunday service band as a birthday compliment to the mother of the conductor.

**BARTON ST. DAVID, SUMMERSET.**—On Nov. 9th, 1,260 Siedman Doubles: G. Prescott (cond.) 1, V. G. Roberts 2, G. Salmon 3, Miss Brenda Boyce 4, E. Skipsey 5, Miss Sheila Hallett 6. First of Siedman 4 and 6.

**BETHERSDEN, KENT.**—On Dec. 8th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: W. C. Marshall 1, Elizabeth Stewart 2, M. W. Marshall 3, J. V. Richards 4, W. W. Ring 5, G. Stewart (first as cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**BICKER, LINCOLNSHIRE.**—On Dec. 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. N. B. Fovargue 1, Mrs. P. H. Reynolds 2, Miss S. Fovargue 3, R. Howard 4, J. H. Taylor 5, N. B. Fovargue 6, P. H. Reynolds (cond.) 7, B. Pell 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mr. J. F. Dawson.

**CALDICOT, MON.**—On Dec. 14th, 1,260 Siedman Triples: D. G. Clift 1, Mrs. D. J. King 2, D. J. King 3, J. Manley 4, N. W. H. Simon 5, D. J. Jewell 6, T. Yeomans (cond.) 7, R. Harvard 8. A welcome to Christopher Mark, infant son of the Rev. and Mrs. John Woodward, of Bulwark, Chesnow.

**ELTHAM, KENT.**—On Dec. 1st, 1,260 Siedman Triples (Thurstans): Mrs. E. J. Coope 1, E. B. Crowder 2, P. Clarke 3, E. J. Coope 4, K. Small 5, R. Clarke 6, G. Clarke (first as cond.) 7, F. Hurrell 8. First in method 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7. Rung for Evensong. Also a 21st birthday compliment to P. Clarke.

**FELPHAM, SUSSEX.**—On Nov. 17th, 1,260 Doubles (10 methods): Anne M. Smith 1, P. Stevens 2, M. J. Wake 3, M. J. Kirk 4, R. Wake (cond.) 5, W. Bristow 6. For Evensong.

## QUARTER PEALS

**ECWYNHOPE, HEREFORDS.**—On Dec. 10th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): P. D. S. Caligari 1, P. D. Sell 2, D. M. Morton 3, M. C. W. Sherwood 4, J. F. I. Turney (cond.) 5, K. S. W. Morton 6. Rung for the Hereford Cathedral School Society. First in five methods by all the band.

**FULHAM, LONDON.**—At All Saints' on Dec. 1st, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: J. E. Reed 1, Miss M. E. Powell 2, Miss D. A. Deverell 3, J. A. Hales 4, M. J. Uphill 5, A. J. Hampton 6, J. L. Bell 7, J. Hales 8, C. M. Meyer (cond.) 9, J. H. Gaze 10. For Evensong.

**GEDLING, NOTTS.**—On Nov. 14th, 1,320 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Miss J. Challinor 1, D. Wilson 2, G. A. Dawson 3, D. Surman 4, C. R. Larkin (cond.) 5, J. Dawson 6. Congratulations to Alan W. Hodson and Miss E. Butler, of Dudley, upon their engagement.

**HAGBOURNE, BERKS.**—On Nov. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Glenis Garlick (first quarter) 1, D. Jordon 2, Mary Thomas 3, A. H. Webb (cond.) 4, C. J. Garlick 5, C. Corderoy 6, W. Corderoy 7, E. J. Sawyer 8. For St. Andrew's Day.

**HEAVITREE, EXETER.**—On Dec. 8th, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: Jennifer Smith 1, Ann Fellows 2, Jean F. Barnett 3, J. Woolford 4, M. Lock 5, C. Reeves 6, F. Wreford 7, N. Mallett (cond.) 8. First in method for 1, 3 and 7. Rung for Evensong and a compliment to the Vicar, Rev. E. Royle, M.A., on his appointment as a Prebendary of Exeter Cathedral. Rung by members of the Sunday service band.

**MAIDSTONE, KENT.**—At St. Michael and All Angels' Church on Dec. 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: K. Farmer (first quarter, age 12) 1, D. Putnam 2, D. Groves (first 'inside') 3, J. Crayford 4, M. Howe (cond.) 5, E. Jenner 6.

**MARSTON-ON-DOVE, DERBYS.**—On Nov. 10th, 1,272 Plain Bob Minimus: G. Freeman 1, J. Shaw 2, E. Deakin 3, D. P. Jones (cond.) 4. First of Minimus by all.

**NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.**—At St. George's, Jesmond, on Remembrance Sunday, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: S. J. Pardoe 1, Miss S. Scott 2, A. G. Craddock 3, M. Lincoln 4, A. C. Bolton (cond.) 5, A. R. Patterson 6. Rung half-muffled. Also on Dec. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss E. Henderson 1, J. G. White 2, S. J. Pardoe 3, A. R. Patterson 4, A. C. Bolton (cond.) 5, P. R. Martin 6. For Evensong. Also on Dec. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: I. R. Bawron (first quarter) 1, Miss G. Douglas 2, Miss S. Scott 3, M. Lincoln 4, A. C. Bolton (cond.) 5, A. R. Patterson 6. For Evensong.

**OLD MARSTON, OXFORD.**—On Dec. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. Porter 1, R. Jones 2, D. Oliver 3, N. Deam (cond.) 4, A. Gammon 5. For Evensong on the Patronal Festival and as a farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Timms.

**RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.**—On Dec. 15th, 1,260 Reverse Grandsire Triples: Mrs. D. Belcham 1, P. Rothera 2, M. Sinden 3, F. May 4, M. Hallett 5, D. Belcham 6, A. House (cond.) 7, W. Ward 8. For Evensong.

**SAWLEY, DERBYS.**—On Dec. 8th, 1,260 Siedman Triples: Mrs. I. Simpson 1, Cynthia Webb 2, Mrs. N. Carlisle 3, J. Harvey 4, W. Simpson 5, D. Marshall (cond.) 6, D. Carlisle 7, R. Newsum 8. First of Siedman for 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 8.

**SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.**—On Remembrance Sunday, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: June E. Wood 1, A. B. Stevens (first 'inside') 2, B. G. Warwick (cond.) 3, Carol I. V. Corton 4, D. W. Stenson 5. For Martins. Also 1,260 Grandsire Triples: June E. Wood 1, A. R. Mildred 2, Mrs. B. G. Warwick 3, Carol I. V. Corton 4, D. W. Stenson 5, B. G. Warwick (cond.) 6, K. H. Mildred 7, N. R. May 8. For evening service. Also on Dec. 1st, 1,260 Minor (Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob): D. W. Stenson 1, K. H. Mildred 2, A. R. Mildred (first of Surprise) 3, Carol I. V. Corton 4, M. G. Wood 5, B. G. Warwick (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**WAKEFIELD, YORKS.**—On Nov. 30th, 1,320 Grandsire Cinques: W. F. Moreton (cond.) 1, P. Woodward 2, Miss L. Gott 3, D. Banks 4, R. Duesbury 5, J. N. Parkin 6, D. Cubitt 7, J. Cox 8, P. Adcock 9, J. L. White 10, J. E. Kirby 11, R. G. Corby 12. First of Cinques for 3, 4 and 10.

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Mr. Neil Bennett informs us that regarding the attempt for the long handbell peal (21,600 Plain Bob Royal) he called it round at 13,320 changes because 'we considered the standard of ringing did not come up to the very high standard required in any peal. Everyone was in very good spirit throughout, and we hope to make a further attempt some time in the next two years.'

Overheard at a Tyneside dance: 'I dance by place notation!'

The bells of Holywood, Belfast, will not be available for about four months, as they are being rehung.

Because of the tenor ringer being taken ill the peal attempt at St. Mary Bourne, on December 11th, was called round at half way. We hope Frank is now better.

The year 1963 is certainly a memorable one in the life of Mr. R. B. Smith. Not only is it the year of his marriage and the year of his conducting the extent of Major but now he has rung his 100th peal on ten bells. This was during the attempt for a long peal of 21,600 Plain Bob Royal, called round at 13,320 changes.

A prominent member of the Humphrey Perkins Campanological Society, Rupert A. Clarke, of Birstall, Leicestershire, is to be congratulated on ringing his 100th peal. Rupert, who will be 17 shortly, will be given a place at Birmingham University if successful in his three 'A' levels. Fifty-seven of his peals are on handbells (conducted seven), and in his ringing he has received the greatest encouragement from Mr. B. Stedman Payne.

In the semi-final of the Christmas shove-ha'penny championship at 'The Loggerheads,' Shrewsbury, Fred Owen, captain of St. Mary's met Fred Beddow, captain of St. Chad's. 'Somebody'd got to drop a "clanger" and it was bound to be Fred,' comments 'The Shrewsbury Advertiser.' And it was Fred (St. Mary's) who dropped the 'clanger.' Sadly he reflects that you just can't give Fred (St. Chad's) two in the top bed at a critical point in a match and get away with it.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

Twelve-year-old Christopher Ricketts, in spite of jamming his finger in the door of the car taking the band to St. Bride's on December 17th, gallantly carried on to score his first peal in good style. The band, consisting of five boarders and one resident master of Cowbridge Grammar School, wonder if there are, or have ever been, any other bands from any school in Wales who have rung a peal or peals.

Miss W. Mortimer, of 11, Norman Avenue, Elland, is the new honorary secretary of the Archdeaconry of Halifax Guild.

The annual meeting of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association will be held at Stroud on April 25th and will be attended by the Lord Bishop of Gloucester.

The attempt for 11,520 Yorkshire Surprise Major at Clent on Boxing Day failed after 2½ hours due to a shift course, writes Martin D. Fellows.

Mr. E. C. Shepherd's editorial 'Second Best,' in our issue of September 27th, has been sent to all secretaries of Ringing Societies in the area of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association.

A very enjoyable evening was spent by ringers of Clowne, Derbyshire, and their families at a Christmas dinner in the Rectory Barn on December 21st. This was followed by games and dancing. The company sincerely thank Mrs. Stanton, for her effort.

An interval of 32 years before a pupil rings a peal with his instructor must be very unusual. When Philip Corby was taught to handle a bell by George Richardson at Langdon Hills, call change ringing was the order of the day. Efforts were made to introduce change ringing in the early 'thirties, but did not meet with much success. These two ringers moved away and learned change ringing, and after this long time have achieved their ambition to ring a peal together. The occasion was very appropriate, being the 90th birthday of George's mother, Mrs. E. M. A. Saunders, who for many years kept the post office at Langdon Hills.

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**TWELVE BELL PEALS**

OLDHAM, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 23, 1963, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary.

**A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS**

Tenor 35 cwt. in C.

TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. .. Treble	DEREK BUTTERWORTH .. .. 7
JOHN F. NELSON .. .. 2	JOHN ROBINSON .. .. 8
CYRIL CROSTHWAITE .. .. 3	RODNEY B. MEADOWS .. .. 9
DAVID DERBY .. .. 4	FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. .. 10
ANDREW STUBBS .. .. 5	JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. 11
GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 6	DENIS MOTTERSHEAD .. .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by FREDERICK SHALLCROSS.

BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thurs., Dec. 19, 1963, in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes.

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.

**A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS**

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. Treble	GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 7
MURIEL REAY .. .. 2	EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. 8
B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. .. 3	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 9
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 4	CHARLES A. S. WEBB .. .. 10
MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. .. 5	CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. .. 11
RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 6	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. Tenor

Arranged by RODERICK W. PIPE. Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

**TEN BELL PEALS**

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Nov. 28, 1963, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 25 lb. in D.

*DAVID CHADDERTON .. .. Treble	PETER J. MALLOCH .. .. 6
†EILEEN CROSS .. .. 2	JOHN F. BARLOW .. .. 7
*CHRISTINE ANDREW .. .. 3	EDWARD JENKINS .. .. 8
MARGARET WRIGHT .. .. 4	RONALD M. EDWARDS .. .. 9
DEREK J. MARSHALL .. .. 5	FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. J. TUCKER. Conducted by FREDERICK SHALLCROSS.

\* First peal on ten bells. † First on ten bells 'inside.'

Rung half-muffled by the Sunday service band of this church in memoriam John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thurs., Dec. 12, 1963, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes.

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

RONALD H. DOVE .. .. Treble	EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. 6
GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 2	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 7
CHARLES A. S. WEBB .. .. 3	FREDERICK ROSS .. .. 8
RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 4	CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. .. 9
GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 5	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

BANBURY, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary.

**A PEAL OF 5021 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb.

WILLIAM J. CHESTER .. .. Treble	CLIFFORD T. WIGHTMAN .. .. 6
HERBERT ALEXANDER .. .. 2	WILLIAM A. YATES .. .. 7
CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. .. 3	CHARLES E. TRUMAN .. .. 8
FREDERICK VICKERS .. .. 4	GEORGE W. HOLLAND .. .. 9
JAMES LINNELL .. .. 5	J. GEORGE SHELLARD .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. HALEY. Conducted by WILLIAM A. YATES.

BELFAST, CO. DOWN.

THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mark, Dundela.

**A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

*ROSEMARY THOMPSON .. .. Treble	†WILLIAM A. PATTERSON .. .. 6
†JOHN T. DUNWOODY .. .. 2	HARRY BROWN .. .. 7
†JONATHAN S. N. PORTER .. .. 3	†GERALD D. BROWN .. .. 8
†JEAN JEFFERY .. .. 4	†FRED E. DUKES .. .. 9
PHILIP H. WHITAKER .. .. 5	*W. LESLIE DOUGLAS .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by HARRY BROWN.

\* First peal on ten bells. † First of Grandsire Caters. First in the method as conductor.

NEWBURY, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 3 Hours.

At the Church of St. Nicholas.

**A PEAL OF 5043 STEDMAN CATERS**

Tenor 22 cwt. 2 qr. 1 lb. in D.

BRIAN R. WHITE .. .. Treble	JOHN H. NAPPER .. .. 6
WILLIAM HIBBERT .. .. 2	EDWARD R. VENN .. .. 7
PATRICIA E. HIBBERT .. .. 3	NICHOLAS J. MARTIN .. .. 8
CYRIL J. HIBBERT .. .. 4	FREDERICK C. WHITE .. .. 9
JOHN W. T. HIBBERT .. .. 5	FRANCIS A. WHITE .. .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by BRIAN R. WHITE.

PORTSMOUTH, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.

At the Cathedral Church of St. Thomas of Canterbury.

**A PEAL OF 5040 LUDGATE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. in E flat.

S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN Treble	ROGER BALDWIN .. .. 6
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 2	PETER BERESFORD .. .. 7
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. .. 3	THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 8
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 9
JOHN HILL .. .. 5	DENNIS BERESFORD .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

First peal in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Guild. Rung in memory of David Peter Jones.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS**

COWBRIDGE, GLAMORGAN.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Nov. 30, 1963, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

At the Church of the Holy Cross.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 15 lb.

Parker's Twelve-Part .. .. Treble	*ROGER G. HAVARD .. .. 5
ARTHUR W. THOMAS .. .. 2	THOMAS YEOMANS .. .. 6
DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. .. 3	NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON .. .. 7
ELLIS N. THOMAS .. .. 4	W. J. LEWIS GROOM .. .. Tenor

Conducted by NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON.

\* First peal of Triples.

Rung to welcome the new Vicar, the Rev. S. J. Mogford, M.A.

SHIRLEY, WARWICKSHIRE.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 12 Minutes.

At the Church of St. James-the-Great.

**A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr. 1 lb. in B flat.

MAURICE C. HUGHES .. .. Treble	IAN C. MAYCOCK .. .. 5
RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 2	GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 6
EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. 3	TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. .. 7
ANTONY R. KENCH .. .. 4	GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. Tenor

Composed by ROGER BALDWIN.

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Tues., Dec. 3, 1963, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Martin.

**A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt.

*ELIZABETH TIMMINS .. .. Treble	FREDERICK ROSS .. .. 5
GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 2	MAURICE HUGHES .. .. 6
MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. .. 3	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 7
EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. 4	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM BARTON.

Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

\* First peal of Major.

MARSHFIELD, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 7, 1963, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 11 cwt. in A.

LOUISE TAYLOR .. .. Treble	†MICHAEL PILGRIM .. .. 5
RUTH HAVARD .. .. 2	THOMAS YEOMANS .. .. 6
MARY E. PRYOR .. .. 3	DAVID S. BISHOP .. .. 7
*CHRISTINE GLASTONBURY .. .. 4	NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. CHARGE.

Conducted by N. W. H. SIMON.

\* First peal of Major 'inside.' † First peal.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Dec. 9, 1963, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Peter.

**A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In eight methods, comprising 1,920 London, 960 Rutland, 640 Bristol and 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire: with 120 changes of method.	Tenor 18 cwt. 95 lb. in E.
DEREK BUTTERWORTH .. .. Treble	†PHILIP H. D. JONES .. .. 5
*JOHN F. BARLOW .. .. 2	†JOHN C. BALDWIN .. .. 6
*DEREK A. ASHTON .. .. 3	GORDON BENFIELD .. .. 7
NEIL BENNETT .. .. 4	EDWARD F. P. BRYANT .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN.

Conducted by NEIL BENNETT.

\* First peal of Spliced Surprise Major. † First of Spliced Surprise in eight methods.



## LEYTON, ESSEX.

## THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.

On Mon., Dec. 9, 1963, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In ten methods, comprising 1,600 London, 640 each of Rutland and Bristol, and 320 each of Cambridge, Wembley, Yorkshire, Pudsey, Watford, Superlative and Lincolnshire; with 139 changes of method.  
Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in A flat.

NICHOLAS J. DAVIES .. Treble	*DEREK E. SIBSON .. 5
*DIANA M. LAWLESS .. 2	JOHN C. EISEL .. 6
*E. JANE SIBSON .. 3	ALAN J. FROST .. 7
MARY S. TAYLOR .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN.

Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

\* First peal of 10-Spliced. First of Ten-Spliced for the Society.

## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Dec. 10, 1963, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

M. J. Morris' var. Parker's 12-Part (7th obs.). Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb.	RICHARD CLIFTON .. 5
G. RONALD EDWARDS .. Treble	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. 6
*TOM HARRIS .. 2	ROLAND BENISTON .. 7
*MRS. CELIA HARRIS .. 3	*HERBERT SHAW .. Tenor
*VALERY LACEY .. 4	

Conducted by ROLAND BENISTON.

\* First peal of Triples.

## KENWYN, TRURO, CORNWALL.

## THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Dec. 11, 1963, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CUBY.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb. in F.

FRANCES M. RICKARD .. Treble	ALAN CARVETH .. 5
MARGARET A. BOULD .. 2	REV. A. S. ROBERTS .. 6
V. MARY MATTHEWS .. 3	D. ROY BOULD .. 7
ARTHUR F. BURLEY .. 4	DAVID N. PENROSE .. Tenor

Composed by TOM CHAPMAN.

Conducted by ALAN CARVETH.

## ROTHERHAM, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(Sheffield and District Society.)

On Thurs., Dec. 12, 1963, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 34½ cwt. in C sharp.

*JOHN BRUCE .. Treble	*NEIL DONOVAN .. 5
MRS. N. CHADDOCK .. 2	*STUART ARMESON .. 6
MRS. P. BURNS .. 3	NORMAN CHADDOCK .. 7
*DAVID NICHOLLS .. 4	JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY. Conducted by JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK.

\* First peal in the method.

A birthday compliment to the conductor.

## WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Dec. 12, 1963, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5024 HARDHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. Treble	DENNIS KNOX .. 5
JOAN BERESFORD .. 2	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 6
JOHN HILL .. 3	THOMAS J. LOCK .. 7
ALICK CUTLER .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. Tenor

Adapted from C. MIDDLETON and Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

First peal in the method (Corrigan, No. 151).

## CAMPSALL, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 11½ cwt. in A flat.

ALAN G. PAYNE .. Treble	JOHN F. UNDERWOOD .. 5
JAMES THORLEY .. 2	DEREK J. JONES .. 6
MELVYN A. ROSE .. 3	KEITH R. DAVEY .. 7
ROGER D. BAILEY .. 4	J. MARTIN THORLEY .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by KEITH R. DAVEY.

First peal of Major as conductor.

## HACKNEY, LONDON, E.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-AT-HACKNEY.

## A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb. in F.

JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. Treble	*ALAN R. MILLEDGE .. 5
*PETER N. FELTON .. 2	BERNARD E. MATTHEWS .. 6
*DAVID A. BURT .. 3	ALAN E. BAGWORTH .. 7
*LORNA E. SIMPSON .. 4	A. PATRICK CANNON .. Tenor

Composed by A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

\* First peal of Double Norwich. First of Double Norwich on the bells.

## HARDHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

38—38.6—12—38.14—14.5—16—3.

2nds place L.E. 17856342. 4ths place bobs.

## MARTOCK, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 25 cwt.

ANN M. COX .. Treble	GEORGE W. MASSEY .. 5
PHILIP N. TUBBS .. 2	EDWARD J. CHIVERS .. 6
MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY .. 3	FRANK I. HARRIS .. 7
*JOHN HARTLESS .. 4	RONALD N. MARLOW .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by FRANK L. HARRIS.

\* First peal of Rutland.

## NORTHFLEET, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 16½ cwt.

JAMES T. STEVENS ..	Treble	RONALD C. CONSTANT ..	5
FREDERICK J. CULLUM ..	2	HERBERT E. AUDSEY ..	6
ARTHUR G. MASON ..	3	GEORGE J. BUTCHER ..	7
*DOUGLAS S. SHAW ..	4	THOMAS W. BLEWITT ..	Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE J. BUTCHER.

\* First peal in the method.

## ROTHWELL, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

## A PEAL OF 5056 RAUNDSURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 3 lb. in E flat.

ARTHUR GIBBS .. Treble	PETER M. FLECKNEY .. 5
SHELAGH R. COLLINS .. 2	ROGER BALDWIN .. 6
S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN .. 3	JOHN H. BLUFF .. 7
MURRAY A. COLEMAN .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

First peal in the method by all the band, and on the bells.

## WADHURST, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

## A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt.

FRANK H. HICKS .. Treble	REGINALD E. LAMBERT .. 5
FRANK I. HAIRS .. 2	ROBERT T. LAMBERT .. 6
THOMAS E. SONE .. 3	CHARLES A. BASSETT .. 7
JOHN HOWARD .. 4	ERNEST J. LADD .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by ERNEST J. LADD.

Rung after the induction of the Rev. A. D. Plumley to the living of Wadhurst and Tidebrook.

## WESTERHAM, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5024 QUINTON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 23½ cwt. in E.

*EDWIN G. JENNER .. Treble	JOHN W. COLEMAN .. 5
CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 2	W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON .. 6
DAVID S. OSENTON .. 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 7
MARTIN L. HOWE .. 4	†TREVOR A. CROSS .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. TIPLER. Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.

\* First peal of Major. † 400th peal. First in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

## WESTMINSTER, S.W.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN, ROCHESTER ROW.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 24 cwt. 18 lb.

FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. Treble	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 5
RODNEY A. YEATES .. 2	DAVID P. HILLING .. 6
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 3	MICHAEL P. MORETON .. 7
J. KEITH WARD .. 4	JOHN H. CRAMPION .. Tenor

Conducted by G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY.

## HANBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Dec. 15, 1963, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5024 WARWICKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb. in F sharp.

MAURICE C. HUGHES .. Treble	RODERICK W. PIPE .. 5
TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. 2	IAN C. MAXCOCK .. 6
ANTONY R. KENCH .. 3	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. 7
PETER S. BENNETT .. 4	GEORGE E. FEARN .. Tenor

Composed by RICHARD F. B. SPEED. Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

First peal in the method by all the band except the ringer of tenor.



## SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Dec. 16, 1963, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Lawrence.

## A PEAL OF 5088 WITTERING SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 9 lb.

BRIAN HARRIS .. .. . Treble	GEORGE W. MASSEY .. .. . 5
DENIS WOODS .. .. . 2	RAYMOND H. DAW .. .. . 6
DEREK J. JONES .. .. . 3	CYRIL R. BURRELL .. .. . 7
ROGER D. BAILEY .. .. . 4	RONALD C. NOON .. .. . Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by RONALD C. NOON.

First peal in the method.

A compliment to Judith Bagley and A. Roy Withyman upon their engagement.

## HARROW WEALD, MIDDLESEX.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Dec. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

At the Church of All Saints.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In nine methods, comprising 1,280 each of London and Rutland, 640 of Bristol and 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative, Wembley and Yorkshire; with 120 changes of method.

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb. in A.

*H. GEORGE HART .. .. . Treble	DAVID J. TAYLOR .. .. . 5
*ELSIE K. HART .. .. . 2	†ROGER BALDWIN .. .. . 6
†S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN .. .. . 3	WILLIAM S. DEASON .. .. . 7
THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. . 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. . Tenor

Composed by ALBERT J. PITMAN.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\*First peal of 9-Spliced Surprise Major. †First of 9-Spliced Surprise Major on tower bells.

Rung in honour of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Beedie.

## NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Dec. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Thomas.

## A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F.

ROBERT J. WARRILOW .. Treble	FRANK OSBALDISTON .. .. . 5
CAROL FERNLEY .. .. . 2	J. DAVID ATKINSON .. .. . 6
*KATHLEEN PILSBURY .. .. . 3	BASIL JONES .. .. . 7
WILLIAM H. DOWSE .. .. . 4	NEIL BENNETT .. .. . Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by BASIL JONES.

\*First peal of Surprise 'inside'.

## METHERINGHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Dec. 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Wilfred.

## A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 7½ cwt. in A.

JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. Treble	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. . 5
GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. . 2	ROBIN H. ROGERS .. .. . 6
*IRIS M. E. LEMARE .. .. . 3	JOHN WALDEN .. .. . 7
*PETER A. SHARP .. .. . 4	JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. .. . Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN J. IVIN.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

\*First peal of Bristol Surprise. †150th peal.

In memoriam John Cragg, of Caythorpe, foundation member of the Guild.

## HARMSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

At the Church of All Saints.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. Treble	A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL .. .. . 5
IRIS LEMARE .. .. . 2	PETER A. SHARP .. .. . 6
*DELIA E. SMITH .. .. . 3	WALTER TOMLINSON .. .. . 7
JOHN FREEMAN .. .. . 4	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. . Tenor

Composed by REV. H. E. BULWER.

Conducted by JOHN FREEMAN.

\*First peal in the method.

## WORCESTER.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 44 lb. in F.

THOMAS W. LEWIS .. Treble	R. GEORGE MORRIS .. .. . 5
MURIEL REAY .. .. . 2	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. . 6
JOHN A. ANDERSON .. .. . 3	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. . 7
CHARLES A. S. WEBB .. .. . 4	GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. . Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN J. IVIN.

Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

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## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## FOLKINGHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Nov. 30, 1963, in 3 Hours.

At the Church of St. Andrew.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being four extents Single Oxford and three Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt. (approx.) in F sharp.

MARGARET E. CHILTON .. Tenor	MAURICE W. HARRISON .. .. . 4
RUTH BLACKSHAW .. .. . 2	HAROLD STEVENSON .. .. . 5
F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER .. .. . 3	WILLIAM L. EXTON .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM L. EXTON.

Rung for the Patronal Festival.

## SWEPTSTONE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

On Thurs., Dec. 5, 1963, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Peter.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 40 extents (ten callings) and one 240. Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb.

WILLIAM CURSON .. Treble	JOHN K. SMITH .. .. . 4
RICHARD CLIFTON .. .. . 2	ROLAND BENISTON .. .. . 5
GORDON LANE .. .. . 3	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by ROLAND BENISTON.

The tenor ringer has \*circled the tower.\*

## GAMSTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Dec. 9, 1963, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Peter.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven differently-called 720's. Tenor 8½ cwt.

HARRY POYNER .. Treble	*C. ANTHONY PARSONS .. .. . 4
*ROBERT A. BERESFORD .. .. . 2	A. HARRY HAWCROFT .. .. . 5
MARY C. POYNER .. .. . 3	HAROLD DENMAN .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by HARRY POYNER.

\*First peal.

## SHELLEY, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(The Halifax and District Association.)

On Mon., Dec. 9, 1963, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

At the Church of Emmanuel.

## A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of New London Pleasure, Duke of York, Violet, Oxford, Merchants Return, Kent, Woodhine.

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb.

FREDERICK R. BROOK .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER A. MOXON .. .. . 4
ELIZABETH PEACE .. .. . 2	NOEL F. MOXON .. .. . 5
SUSAN PEACE .. .. . 3	TREVOR TARBATT .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by TREVOR TARBATT.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam Frank Hoyle, ringer at this church.

## ASHTON-UNDER-LYME, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Dec. 11, 1963, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Peter.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb.

*STEPHEN KERSHAW .. Treble	JOHN F. BARLOW .. .. . 4
*CHRISTINE ANDREW .. .. . 2	RONALD M. EDWARDS .. .. . 5
JOHN A. BOOTH .. .. . 3	DEREK A. ASHTON .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by DEREK A. ASHTON.

\*First peal. †First of Minor in the method.

Rung to welcome a son and heir to Derek F. Yates, former ringer at this church.

## LITTLE WALTHAM, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Dec. 11, 1963, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Martin.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In 17 methods: (1) Chester, Munden, Alnwick and Newcastle; (2) London, Wells and Cuckeacastre; (3) Cambridge, Primrose, Ipswich, Norfolk, Bourne and Hull; (4) Beverley, Surfleet, York and Durham; (5) Cambridge, (6) Ipswich, (7) Cambridge. Tenor 12 cwt.

JENNIFER M. DYE .. Treble	DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. .. . 4
*ROBERT J. LINDSELL .. .. . 2	ALAN R. SYDER .. .. . 5
JOE E. G. ROAST .. .. . 3	PATRICK W. SALTMARSH .. Tenor

Conducted by PATRICK W. SALTMARSH.

\*Most methods to a peal.

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**BIDSTON, CHESHIRE.**  
**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Single and Plain Bob. Tenor 5 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb.

*ALAN L. COVENTRY .. .. Treble	JOHN McCULLOCH .. .. 4
†F. LESLIE COVENTRY .. .. 2	G. MARTIN ROSCAMP .. .. 5
CHARLES B. PEMBERTON .. .. 3	A. RAYMOND M. WATKIN .. Tenor

Conducted by A. RAYMOND M. WATKIN.

\* First peal. † First of Minor.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. J. Williams, vice-president of the Wirral Branch, ringer at St. Peter's, Wolverhampton, 1914-1955.

**EAST FARLEIGH, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR**

In 16 methods: (1) Carlisle and Cunecastre, (2) Newcastle and Alnwick, (3) Cunecastre, London and Wells, (4) Northumberland, Carlisle and Sandiacre, (5) Durham, Beverley and York, (6) Annable's London, Rossendale and Stamford, (7) Cambridge and Ipswich: with 92 changes of method. Tenor 7½ cwt. in A.

RALPH BIRD .. .. Treble	CRAWFORD T. HILLIS .. .. 4
IAN H. ORAM .. .. 2	ANDREW M. MACVE .. .. 5
JOHN D. FAIRCLOTH .. .. 3	THOMAS CULLINGWORTH .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN H. ORAM.

**KEMPSEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being two extents of Cambridge Surprise, two of Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt.

R. GEORGE MORRIS .. .. Treble	JOHN C. SLATER .. .. 4
*M. ROGER ASHMORE .. .. 2	JOHN CLEMENTS .. .. 5
ROBERT W. COLE .. .. 3	THOMAS W. LEWIS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN CLEMENTS.

\* First peal in three methods of Minor. 25th peal as conductor.

**KESSINGLAND, SUFFOLK.**  
**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND.

**A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. in F sharp.

LEONARD M. RAPHAEL .. Tenor	NORMAN P. J. COSSEY .. .. 4
STEPHEN F. HIGH .. .. 2	PETER KINDRED .. .. 5
THOMAS J. BROCK .. .. 3	MICHAEL J. PARKER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL J. PARKER.

First peal of Oxford T.B. Minor by all, except for the ringer of 5. Rung in grateful thanks for the opening and dedication of St. Edmund's Church Centre.

**LANGDON HILLS, ESSEX.**  
**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN AND ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being an extent each of London Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford Bob, St. Clement's Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.

F. GEORGE RICHARDSON .. Treble	ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. 4
ANN JENNER .. .. 2	*STANLEY JENNER .. .. 5
FRANK V. GANT .. .. 3	†PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PHILIP A. CORBY.

\* 150th peal. † 700th peal.

Rung in honour of the 90th birthday of Mrs. E. M. A. Saunders, mother of the treble ringer; also on the wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Seaman.

**LIMPSFIELD CHART, SURREY.**  
**THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Rev. E. Banks James' arrangement. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. in G.

CHRISTOPHER F. MEW .. Treble	*MARGARET E. FORT .. .. 4
CHARLES W. OTTLEY .. .. 2	†BRIAN J. BULL .. .. 5
*ALISON M. MANN .. .. 3	‡DAVID C. BROOKES .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER F. MEW.

\* First peal of Surprise Minor. † First of Surprise 'inside.' ‡ First of Surprise.

**MAIDSTONE, KENT.**  
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

In seven methods, being an extent each of Northumberland, London, Carlisle, Annable's London, Durham, Bourne and Beverley. Tenor 8½ cwt. in A flat.

THOMAS CULLINGWORTH .. Treble	RALPH BIRD .. .. 4
IAN H. ORAM .. .. 2	JOHN D. FAIRCLOTH .. .. 5
CRAWFORD T. HILLIS .. .. 3	ANDREW M. MACVE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by RALPH BIRD.

**PREES, SHROPSHIRE.**

**THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In four methods, being one extent each of St. Clement's Bob, Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B., and four of Plain Bob, called differently. Tenor 12 cwt. in F sharp.

CHRISTOPHER J. JONES .. Treble	RICHARD E. MORRIS .. .. 4
PETER MORRIS .. .. 2	EDWARD V. RODENHURST .. 5
MICHAEL R. WYCHERLEY .. 3	HARRY W. HOWARD .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY W. HOWARD.

R. E. Morris has now 'completed the circle.'

In memoriam John G. Dakin, ringer and chorister, interred the previous Wednesday, aged 53; also rung on the 50th anniversary of E. V. Rodenhurst's first peal (December 14th, 1913).

**SANDON, ESSEX.**

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In six methods: (1) London Surprise, (2) Cambridge Surprise, (3) Kent Treble Bob, (4) Double Oxford Bob, (5) St. Clement's Bob, (6 and 7) Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

MICHAEL J. COWLING .. Treble	DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. .. 4
*PETER G. BROWN .. .. 2	PATRICK W. SALTMARSH .. 5
JOE E. G. ROAST .. .. 3	JAMES L. TOWLER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PATRICK W. SALTMARSH.

\* First peal of Minor.

**TAXAL, DERBYSHIRE.**

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Mon., Dec. 16, 1963, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.

**A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Being 19 methods in seven extents: (1) Newdigate, Old Oxford, College Bob IV and Willesden Delight; (2) Charlwood, Neasden, St. Albans and Wragby Delight; (3) Kent Treble Bob, (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) Ockley, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise and Norbury Treble Bob; (6) Oxford, Sandal, Kingston, Chapel and London Scholars' Pleasure Treble Bob; (7) Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt.

BASIL JONES .. .. Treble	*DEREK BUTTERWORTH .. 4
*DEREK YATES .. .. 2	NEIL BENNETT .. .. 5
BRIAN SCHOFIELD .. .. 3	ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT B. SMITH.

\* First peal in 19 methods. First in 19 methods as conductor.

Rung for the birth of a son (Christopher Frank) to Mr. and Mrs. Derek Yates.

**FRENESHAM, SURREY.**

**THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Tues., Dec. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

Being one extent each of York, Durham, Surfleet, Beverley, Wells, London and Cambridge. Tenor 11 cwt.

DIANA M. GOUGH .. .. Treble	STANLEY G. PONTING .. .. 4
*PAMELA R. GOUGH .. .. 2	†PETER J. JOYCE .. .. 5
WILLIAM T. BEESON .. .. 3	TOM PAGE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by TOM PAGE.

\* First peal of Surprise Minor. † First of seven Surprise.

**HANDBELL PEALS**

**MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.**

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Wed., Nov. 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 16 Minutes,*  
AT 208, TYTHERTINGTON COURT.

**A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 15 in C.

FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. 1-2	ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. 5-6
NEIL BENNETT .. .. 3-4	*DEREK A. ASHTON .. .. 7-8

Composed by JOHN NICHOLS. Conducted by FREDERICK SHALLCROSS.

\* First handbell peal of Treble Bob. First 'in hand' as conductor.

**MARPLE, CHESHIRE.**

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 7 Hours and 2 Minutes,*  
AT WHINGARTH, 17, RIDGE ROAD.

**A PEAL OF 13320 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

FRANK OSBALDISTON .. 1-2	NEIL BENNETT .. .. 5-6
*ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. 3-4	†FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. 7-8

BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 9-10

Composed by C. KENNETH LEWIS. Conducted by NEIL BENNETT.

\* 100th peal on ten bells. † First of Bob Royal 'in hand.' First on ten handbells as conductor. This is the longest peal of Royal on handbells for all the band, and by the Guild.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Alfred Ballard and Peter J. Staniforth. Tenor size 15 in C.

**BURTON-ON-STATHER, LINCOLNSHIRE.**

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes,*  
AT GLEBELAND.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 15 in C.

MRS. J. BRAY .. .. 1-2	JACK BRAY .. .. 5-6
GEORGE E. FEIRN .. .. 3-4	*JOHN HALL .. .. 7-8

Composed by F. BENNETT. Conducted by JACK BRAY.

\* First peal 'in hand.'



## HALF PEAL

**ST. MARY BOURNE, HANTS.**—On Dec. 11th, 2,520 Grandsire Doubles: E. Cox 1, D. Murduck 2, J. Pares 3, G. Dadds 4, P. Murduck (cond.) 5, F. Rich (first long length) 6.

**ABINGDON, BERKS.**—At St. Helen's Church, on Dec. 1st, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: Kyrstie Grant 1, J. R. Rowson 2, Heather A. Alford 3, M. C. E. Hodge 4, C. I. Rowson 5, R. T. G. Bennett 6, J. W. Berry 7, W. A. Smith (cond.) 8. First of Major 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6. For Confirmation service.

**ALDRINGTON, SUSSEX.**—On Dec. 15th, 1,320 St. Clement's Bob Minor: Margaret Fisher 1, Diana Gough 2, A. Bishop 3, Pamela Gough 4, D. Hughes 5, Valerie Mepharm (first of Minor as cond.) 6. First of St. Clement's Minor for all except 3rd. Ring to congratulate Susan Waterhouse (secretary and joint vice-captain) and Edward Burton, on their recent engagement.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCs.**—At St. Peter's Church, on Dec. 8th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Margaret Humphreys (first quarter) 1, Jean Warner 2, G. Harrop 3, S. Kershaw (first on eight bells) 4, Christine B. Clayton 5, P. J. Bentham 6, D. A. Ashton (cond.) 7, N. Bennett 8. For Evensong.

**AYLESTONE, LEICS.**—On Ascension Day, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: A. J. Poyner 1, S. Marie Davenport 2, Mary D. Kinchin 3, Christine Sanders (first as cond.) 4, D. G. Farrar 5, Sandra E. Chesterton 6, D. Staples 7, T. I. Roper 8. For Evensong. Also on Sept. 29th, 1,280 Bristol Surprise Major: Sandra E. Chesterton 1, Mary D. Kinchin 2, S. Marie Davenport 3, R. Elkington 4, D. G. Farrar 5, T. I. Roper 6, W. J. Kinchin 7, A. J. Poyner (cond.) 8. First 'inside' 2 and 5. A farewell to Rev. J. R. McManus, Curate, who has entered training for missionary work in Africa. Also on Oct. 13th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mary D. Kinchin 1, Sandra E. Chesterton 2, W. J. Kinchin 3, S. Marie Davenport 4, R. Elkington 5, A. J. Poyner 6, D. G. Farrar (first quarter as cond.) 7, T. I. Roper 8. For Harvest Festival Evensong. Also on Nov. 3rd, 1,280 Bristol Surprise Major: Mary D. Kinchin 1, D. Staples 2, S. Marie Davenport 3, W. J. Kinchin 4, D. G. Farrar 5, T. I. Roper 6, R. Elkington 7, A. J. Poyner (cond.) 8. Rung to welcome Timothy Ralph, son of the ringer of 7. Also on Remembrance Day, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mary D. Kinchin 1, D. Staples 2, S. Marie Davenport 3, Sandra E. Chesterton 4, W. J. Kinchin 5, D. G. Farrar 6, A. J. Poyner (cond.) 7, T. I. Roper 8. Rung half-muffled.

**BANSTEAD, SURREY.**—On Dec. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. R. Smérdon 1, Pauline Dyme (first of Triples) 2, Andrea Tilley (first quarter) 3, Elizabeth Farrow (first of Grandsire) 4, N. Hobden 5, A. F. Spooner 6, H. N. Pitstow (cond.) 7, A. E. Cheesman 8.

**BARTON-LE-CLEY, BEDS.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. J. Ashby (first of Minor) 1, G. M. Pickwell (cond.) 2, T. R. Harris 3, H. Mann 4, P. J. Ashby (first of Minor 'inside') 5, T. P. Harris 6. For the Patronal Festival. Also in honour of the birth of a son (Philip) to the ringer of the treble on November 25th. First quarter of Minor on the bells by a Sunday service band.

**BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.**—On Dec. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. J. Brown (cond.) 1, Miss L. Doone 2, Miss H. Copperthwaite (first 'inside') 3, V. J. C. Dale 4, Miss B. Fisher 5, For Matins.

**BIDDENDEN, KENT.**—On Dec. 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: H. Payne 1, H. Deacon 2, F. Goodcearl 3, Miss C. Wood 4, R. Benstead (first 'inside') 5, L. Payne (cond.) 6, P. Dence (cover) 7, D. Powell 8. Tribute to retiring Rector, Rev. J. B. Allen, and Mrs. Allen.

**BIRCHINGTON, KENT.**—At the Waterloo Tower, on Dec. 7th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. W. Bridges (first as cond.) 1, Mrs. W. Bridges 2, J. A. Russell 3, E. A. Miltstead 4, F. W. E. Carter (first of Stedman) 5, A. Hinkley 6, B. J. Luck 7, P. Stockwell 8. For the Quex Park Society's annual meeting.

**BRANDON, SUFFOLK.**—On Dec. 14th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: G. Reeve 1, F. Sutton (first quarter peal) 2, H. Ivings 3, D. Reeve 4, J. Ivings 5, J. Paul (cond.) 6. At the N.W. Suffolk monthly evening meeting.

**BUCKDEN, HUNTS.**—On Dec. 14th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): D. J. Prescott 1, A. J. Davey 2, G. E. Bonham 3, R. F. Baker 4, P. Woolven (cond.) 5. Rung after the wedding of Colin Tanswell and Susanna Bull, with best wishes from the band.

**BUCKINGHAM.**—On Dec. 10th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: J. Linnell 1, R. A. Vickers 2, G. W. Holland (cond.) 3, B. Eglesfield 4, W. A. Yates 5, W. H. Yates 6.

## QUARTER PEALS

**CARDIFF, GLAM.**—At St. John's Church, on Dec. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Lindsay Cox (first quarter) 1, F. J. Hammington 2, T. Yeomans 3, D. Clift 4, Mrs. L. Taylor 5, J. Pryor 6, W. Dare (cond.) 7, Glenys Evans 8.

**CHATTERIS, CAMBS.**—On Dec. 15th, 1,260 Kent T.B. and Plain Bob Minor: V. Hurt 1, Mrs. D. A. Davis 2, W. Young 3, W. Seekings 4, D. A. Davis (cond.) 5, D. Nicholls 6. For Evensong.

**CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.**—At the Cathedral on Dec. 12th, 1,259 Stedman Caters: Ann Edwards 1, Jane Foster 2, M. Cowling (first of Stedman) 3, P. M. Wilkinson 4, P. J. Eves 5, R. Harrison 6, L. J. Clark (cond.) 7, P. A. Saltmarsh 8, J. Thoday 9, I. Pantion 10. For Confirmation Service.

**CHOLSEY, BERKS.**—On Dec. 13th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: E. O. Davies 1, J. Money 2, A. Strong (first quarter) 3, J. Cook (first of Stedman) 4, E. Garrard 5, T. Palmer (first of Stedman) 6, R. Blond (cond.) 7, H. Eccott 8. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to Mr. Donald Bruce Campbell, only son of the local schoolmaster, aged 23, who died as the result of an accident, whose funeral was this day.

**CLAPHAM COMMON, LONDON.**—On Dec. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. S. Rew 1, G. W. Shanks 2, M. D. Marfeneau (cond.) 3, J. Pratt (first 'inside') 4, B. Imber 5, P. Hatmill (first quarter) 6. Rung for Benediction and the Glory of God.

**COTTON, SUFFOLK.**—On Dec. 15th, 1,280 Kent T.B. Major: A. Lockwood 1, R. E. Lester 2, H. D. Lister 3, A. Cook 4, L. Foster 5, R. Taylor 6, T. Lockwood 7, O. G. Barnard (cond.) 8. For morning service.

**COUNTESTHORPE, LEICS.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,440 London Surprise Minor: Sandra E. Chesterton 1, R. S. Morris 2, A. J. Poyner (cond.) 3, D. Staples 4, B. S. Chapman 5, J. J. Morris 6. For Evensong on the Eve of the Feast of the Patron Saint, St. Andrew.

**CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.**—On Dec. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss R. Edwards (first on eight) 1, Miss R. A. Stevens 2, Miss J. Pike 3, S. Upton 4, J. Jeffrey 5, R. Johnson 6, F. F. Godsmark (cond.) 7, E. Brett 8. Also on Dec. 15th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: G. Ford (first of Oxford) 1, Miss R. A. Stevens 2, R. Johnson 3, M. Jennings 4, J. Jeffrey 5, H. Burton (first quarter as cond.) 6, F. F. Godsmark 7, E. Brett 8.

**EAST ILSLEY, BERKS.**—On Dec. 16th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss P. E. Hibbert 1, Mrs. C. J. Hibbert 2, L. F. Cox 3, A. V. Davis 4, C. J. Garlick 5, J. H. Napper (cond.) 6, J. W. T. Hibbert 7, H. R. Wells 8.

**EDMONTON, MIDDx.**—On Dec. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Teresa Langdon 1, Beryl Platt 2, Sheila Moore 3, E. Beauchamp (cond.) 4, Trudy Newcombe 5, J. Towers 6, M. W. Coleman 7, D. Langdon 8. For Evensong.

**GODSTONE, SURREY.**—On Dec. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss G. Harris (first quarter) 1, T. H. Bird (cond.) 2, Mrs. R. Howard 3, Miss M. Groves 4, Rev. K. G. Hoare 5, F. Dumbrell 6, A. Wood 7, A. Starnier (first quarter) 8. Rung by an all-local band to celebrate the christening of Carolyn E. Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. Johnson (local ringers), and granddaughter of ringer of tenor.

**GULVAL, CORNWALL.**—On Dec. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. W. Taysom (cond.) 1, Miss M. Christopher 2, V. G. Wood 3, W. R. Curtis 4, R. Wooldridge (first quarter) 5, J. G. Werrell 6. A compliment to Mr. W. Wood, on his 88th birthday.

**HALIFAX, YORKS.**—On Remembrance Sunday, at All Souls' Church, 1,280 Stedman Triples: Elizabeth Beaumont (first in method) 1, Patricia Knight 2, Ann Parkin 3, J. F. Bryant 4, G. F. Bryant 5, J. H. Fielden 6, R. E. Moulds (cond.) 7, J. N. Parkin 8. Rung half-muffled.

**HARWICH, ESSEX.**—On Dec. 9th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Diane Carter 1, Gillian Brown (cond.) 2, G. Waterman 3, Frances Smith 4, A. Semken 5, A. E. Honeywood 6, J. Felgate 7, U. W. Wildney 8. First of Kent Major 1 and 4. For Patronal Festival.

**HESTON, MIDDx.**—On Dec. 16th, at St. Leonard's, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Ruch 1, Miss F. Pocock 2, Miss C. Andrews 3, A. Butcher 4, D. Fowles (cond.) 5, S. Porter 6. For the induction service of the Rev. J. R. G. Eastaugh.

**HOGHTON, LANCs.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: W. Hitley 1, J. Chamock 2, Mrs. D. Owens 3, L. Walmsley 4, J. Sumner 5, J. Gariside 6, F. Blackledge 7, S. Walmsley (cond.) 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mrs. May Windle, a ringer at this church for 46 years.

**KETTERING, NORTHANTS.**—On Dec. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. Lawrence 1, Mrs. D. Bowen 2, R. Turner 3, Miss S. R. Collins (cond.) 4, J. G. Mitchell 5, R. March 6, D. Bowen 7, J. Mitchell 8. Rung prior to the ordination to the diaconate of the Rev. L. D. Brockbank (to SS. Peter and Andrew's, Corby), and the Rev. T. F. Salmon (to this parish).

**KIDSGROVE, STAFFS.**—On Dec. 14th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor, 1,080 Single Oxford: P. J. Atkins 1, Miss C. Birks 2, H. Dowler 3, N. Sherratt (cond.) 4, R. A. Challinor 5, W. Sherratt 6.

**LEIGHTON BUZZARD, BEDS.**—On Nov. 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (720 and 540): E. J. Conquest 1, J. D. Clapp 2, J. Vickers 3, W. Inley 4, H. B. Whitney (cond.) 5, P. Williams 6, A. Jeffs (covering). Half-muffled in memoriam President Kennedy.

**LEYLAND, LANCs.**—At the Church of St. James, on Dec. 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: L. Walmsley (cond.) 1, J. Nelson 2, J. Nixon 3, J. Humble 4, D. Marsden 5, J. Sumner 6. A silver wedding compliment to the parents of the ringer of the 5th.

**LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.**—On Dec. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. T. Symonds (cond.) 1, S. Smith 2, F. Hunt 3, C. Poulson (first in method) 4, F. Boreham 5, R. Chambers 6, W. Jarvis 7, L. Offord 8. For Evensong.

**LISS, HANTS.**—On Nov. 12th, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury, Plain Bob, Grandsire): Patricia Smith 1, D. M. Hughes 2, Lesley Read 3, B. R. Walton (cond.) 4, A. W. Beisworth 5, Susan El'enor 6. First in three methods 1, 3 and 5.

**LOIS WEEDON, NORTHANTS.**—On Nov. 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Hinton 1, W. J. Chester 2, C. Hinton 3, M. Saunders 4, J. G. Shellard 5, B. Saunders (cond.) 6. For the induction of the Rev. E. Lewis.

**LONDON, W.C.**—At St. Clement Danes', on Dec. 8th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: D. P. Murduck 1, P. J. Spice 2, Ann Jenner 3, J. W. Smith 4, E. J. Ladd 5, G. P. Murduck 6, Margaret A. Ladd 7, G. K. Dodd 8, S. Jenner (cond.) 9, J. E. Cannell 10. First of Grandsire Caters 1 and 6. For Evensong.

**LYMPSTONE, DEVON.**—On Dec. 10th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: Cynthia Edbrooke (first quarter) 1, W. Harvey 2, D. Wills (first of Minor) 3, P. Jupp 4, C. Deem (first of Minor as cond.) 5, J. Quick 6.

**GITERY ST. MARY, DEVON.**—On Nov. 30th, 1,260 Erin Triples: J. Arbury 1, Ann Fellows 2, C. Reeves 3, S. Skinner 4, C. C. Turner 5, J. Quick 6, G. R. Retter (cond.) 7, E. J. Summers 8. First in the method by all.

**RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Spliced Triples (six methods): P. Sloman 1, R. Tomlin 2, M. Sinden 3, D. Belcham 4, F. May 5, M. Hallett 6, A. House (cond.) 7, W. Ward 8. For Evensong.

**STOGUMBER, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Routley 1, P. Watts 2, A. Somerfield 3, T. Hawkins 4, R. Somerfield (cond.) 5, S. Bryant 6. A golden wedding compliment to Mr. Nation (Vicar's warden) and Mrs. Nation (December 11th).

**STOKE BISHOP, BRISTOL.**—On Dec. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: T. Stanley (first of Minor) 1, Miss E. Brocklehurst 2, D. Bentley (first 'inside') 3, R. Brocklehurst 4, Rev. D. Sansum 5, P. Gray (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**TWYNING, GLOS.**—On Dec. 9th, 1,440 Worcester Surprise Minor: C. Haylings 1, F. Hawkes 2, F. Lawrence 3, D. Price 4, J. Clements (cond.) 5, M. Hawkes 6. First in the method by all.

**WADDINGTON, LINCOLN.**—On Dec. 14th, 1,260 Minor (Kent T.B., Plain Bob): D. J. Langton 1, J. Rich 2, G. L. Thompson 3, D. Sutton 4, G. H. Hallam 5, R. F. Smith (cond.) 6. Rung for the wedding of Mr. Peter Gunning (local band) and Miss J. Wheatcroft.

**WIMBLEDON, SURREY.**—On Dec. 8th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: Rosamund Rawlings 1, Margie Ness (first 'inside') 2, Vanessa Rodrigues 3, A. Bagworth 4, Caroline Carpenter 5, Judith Geiringer (first as cond.) 6, G. Reynolds 7, R. Harris 8. Also on Dec. 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: L. Eames (first quarter) 1, Rosamund Rawlings 2, Vanessa Rodrigues 3, A. Bagworth 4, M. Bangham (cond.) 5, G. Reynolds 6.

**WOODFORD, ESSEX.**—On Dec. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Cousins 1, R. Cousins 2, T. Sharp 3, P. Gould 4, J. Laken (first as cond.) 5, A. Crowson 6, J. Waugh 7, T. Ingles 8. For evening service.

## LATE NOTICE

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Newbury Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Kintbury, Saturday, January 11th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to R. Radbourne, Church Street, Kintbury, Newbury, by Wednesday, January 8th. 3868



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BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—A.G.M. Sat., January 4th, Kempston bells (8) from 3 p.m. Tea and business at 5. Further ringing after tea. Special methods Painswick Surprise Major and Double Norwich.—F. W. Rivett, Dis. Sec. 3804

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Quarterly general meeting, Sawley (8), Saturday, January 4th. Bells available 2.30-4.30 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. Long Eaton (8) 6.30-8.30 p.m. A special welcome to members of Society of Sherwood Youths. Names for tea to Mr. D. Marshall, 52, Wyvern Avenue, Long Eaton, Nottingham.—B. P. Morris, Sec. 3794

FLY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Annual meeting at Ely on Saturday, January 4th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—D. F. Murfet. 3813

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ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.E. District.—Annual meeting, Sat., Jan. 4th, at Colchester. Service St. Leonard's-at-the-Hythe 4.30, followed by tea. Bells: St. Leonard's (6) and All Saints', Shrub End (6), before and after the meeting. St. Peter's (8) 2.30-4 p.m. Names to Mr. F. Oliver, 27, New Park Street. 3779

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Annual meeting at Baldock, January 4th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Everyone welcomed.—E. Buck, Dis. Sec. 3790

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Tonbridge District) and LADIES' GUILD (Kent Branch).—A quarterly meeting will be held at Westerham on Saturday, January 4th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to W. H. Dobbie, 13, Baltic Road, Tonbridge. 3790

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.—Meeting at Wigan All Saints' on Saturday, January 4th. Bells (10) available 2.45 p.m. Everyone made welcome.—D. R. Jones, Hon. Sec. 3821

NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.—Meeting on January 4th. Hanley. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Please make own tea arrangements, ample cafes in vicinity.—G. C. Beech, Hon. Sec. 3815

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guilborough Branch.—A.G.M. at Naseby, Saturday January 4th. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to J. E. Goddard, 45, Station Road, Long Buckby, Rugby. 3814

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.—Annual meeting, January 4th. St. Martin's bells (12) available at 3 o'clock. Meeting in St. Martin's Hall at 4.30.—G. E. Fearn, Hon. Sec. 3799

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Three-tower meeting in Sheffield, Saturday, January 4th. All Saints', Pitsmoor (8). 2.30 till 4 p.m.: St. Marie's R.C. (8). 3.30 till 5.30. Own tea arrangements. Cathedral bells (12) 6.30 till 9 p.m., except for business meeting in belfry starting 7.30. New entrance to Cathedral belfry on Campo Lane side.—J. Scager, Sec. 3818

SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.—Central District.—Annual general meeting at Brecon on January 4th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea (2s. 6d. each) and meeting to follow.—M. R. T. 3864

GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bristol City Branch.—Practice meeting, St. John-on-the-Wall, Monday, January 6th. Bells (6) 7.30 p.m. Methods: Plain Bob, Spliced Cambridge, York, Wells, London Durham, Beverley and Surfleet.—D. J. Hunt, Sec. 3843

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practice meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube station) on Monday, January 6th, at 7 p.m.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Business meeting at 'The Rising Sun', Carter Lane, E.C., on Tuesday, January 7th, at 8.15 p.m. Practices in January, all 6.30-8 p.m.: 7th, St. Paul's Cathedral; 14th, St. Michael's, Cornhill; 21st, St. Giles', Cripplegate; 28th, St. Lawrence Jewry.—John Chilcott. 3809

BARNESLEY & DISTRICT SOCIETY.—General meeting at Barnsley, Saturday, January 11th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in the Rectory Rooms, 5 p.m. Tea please notify Mr. Arthur Dunn Birch 1, Spring Lane, Carlton, Barnsley, not later than January 7th.—J. W. Buxton, Hon. Sec. 3831

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Frome Branch.—Annual meeting, Chewton Mendip on Saturday, January 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Usual arrangements. Names for tea to Mr. H. Baber, Barrow Farm, Chewton Mendip.—E. Chivers, Chilcompton. 3825

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade District.—Annual meeting at Biggleswade (8), Saturday, January 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Further ringing until 8.30 p.m. Everyone welcome.—M. Major, Dis. Sec. 3827

BEVERLEY & DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Monthly meeting, Hessle, Saturday, January 11th. Bells (6) 2 p.m. Service 4. Tea in British Legion Memorial Hall. 4.45 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday to Mr. R. Sharpe, 4, Kirkham Close, Hessle. 3839

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Macclesfield Branch.—Annual meeting, St. Michael's (12), Saturday, January 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Nearby cafes for tea. 3796

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Chesterfield District.—Monthly meeting at Staveley on Saturday, January 11th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. D. Smith, 73, Railway Cottages, Staveley, by January 9th.—Malcolm Phipps, Sec. 3844

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Annual dinner, January 11th. St. Peter's, Tunbridge Wells, bells (8) will be available for those attending the dinner from 3.30-6 p.m. 3819

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cambridge District.—Annual meeting in Cambridge on Saturday, January 11th. Bells: St. Bene's (6). 3-4 p.m.: St. Andrew's (8). 4.30 and after tea. Service at St. Andrew's at 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—E. W. Bullman, Dis. Sec. 3851

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—The annual meeting will be held at Coggeshall on Saturday, January 11th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea by Wednesday, January 8th, to Mr. C. Turner, Starling Lee Cottage, Feeringbury, Kelvedon. 3788

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.W. District.—Annual District meeting will be held at Harlow (8) on Saturday, January 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m.—G. Blake, Roydon Hamlet, Harlow, Essex. Roydon 2247. 3852

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Annual meeting at Barking, January 11th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Thurs., January 9th to A. W. Beard, 159, Clements Road, East Ham, E.6. 3803

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Swindon Branch.—Meeting, January 11th. Redbourne Cheney (6). Names for tea to Luton, 169, Cheney Manor Road, Swindon. 3829

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Wotton Branch.—Meeting at Slimbridge (6), January 11th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to P. Mills, 23, Church Street, Wotton-under-Edge. 3830

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Annual general meeting at Chertsey on Saturday, January 11th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. approx. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mrs. Z. Jesnev, 93, Abbey Road, Chertsey. 3792

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.—N.E. Branch.—Annual meeting at Tiverton, Sat., January 11th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea and business meeting after. Names for tea to G. W. Hollis, Roseneath, The Avenue, Tiverton by the previous Thursday please.—G. W. Hollis, Hon. Sec. 3805

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Quarterly meeting at Biddenden, Saturday, January 11th. Bells (8, 23 cwt.) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss C. Wood, 20, The Meadows, Biddenden, by previous Wednesday. Good attendance, together with subscriptions for year, specially requested.—C. T. H. 3798

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Furness and Lake District Branch.—Meeting, Ulverston, Saturday, January 11th, 2.30 p.m.—N. M. Newby. 3849

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch.—Meeting at Liverpool Parish Church, Saturday, January 11th. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss White, Midmay Club, Blackburne Place, Liverpool 8. 3840



**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—Annual Branch meeting, Saturday, January 11th, Leyland St. Andrew's (Leyland Parish Church).—L. Walmsley. 3853

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—A.G.M. at Heywood on Saturday, January 11th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 and business at 6 p.m., both in Queen's Park Road School. Names for tea, please, by previous Wednesday to Mr. J. P. Harrington. 56, Clay Lane, Rochdale. 3824

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Leicester District.—Annual meeting on Saturday, January 11th, at Aylestone (8). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Parish Hall at 5 p.m. Names for tea to undersigned by Thursday, January 9th. Standard methods.—A. James Poynor, Dis. Sec., 31, Marsden Lane, Aylestone, Leicester. 3758

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Loughborough District.—Annual meeting at Loughborough on Saturday, January 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. in the Pearson Hall. Names for tea by Wednesday, January 8th, to Miss G. Doggett, 8, Albert Place, Loughborough. 3834

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—Annual meeting at Spalding, Sat., January 11th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to R. C. Noon, 13, Pennygate, Spalding. St. Paul's, Fulney, bells (8) also available 2.30—4 p.m.—K. R. Davey, Hon. Dis. Sec. 3806

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Central Branch.—Annual meeting. Harmston, Saturday, January 11th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Methods: Double Norwich and Glasgow. Names for tea by the previous Wednesday to S. A. Chambers, Hon. Sec., 64, Goldsmith Walk, Lincoln. 3855

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.**—Monmouth Branch.—Annual Branch meeting, Abergavenny, January 11th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business. Names for tea, please, to Mr. M. O. Roberts, 76, St. Helen's Road, Abergavenny, Mon, by January 6th.—J. S. King. 3795

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Nominations meeting, Saturday, January 11th. Southwark Cathedral bells 4.15 p.m. Evensong 5 p.m. Own arrangements for tea. Business meeting 6.30 p.m.—Foster Hall, Chapter House.—M. Powell, Kelvin 2390.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—North and East District.—Meeting, Saturday, January 11th, at Wood Green. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea, business and evening ringing.—E. H. Kilby, Dis. Sec.

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Kettering Branch.—A.G.M., Burton Latimer, January 11th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea essential to G. E. Watson, 9, Cranford Road. All welcome.—M. A. C.

**OLD ALBANIAN SOCIETY.**—A.G.M., January 11th at 18, Midway, St. Albans. Regret, tea, members only. Ringing: St. Stephen's 3-4.30, and Harpenden 7.30-8.30 p.m.—J. D. Chamberlain. 3856

**SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting at St. Martin's, near Oswestry, Saturday, January 11th. Bells available 3 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, January 8th, to Rev. J. Evans, The Vicarage, St. Martin's, Oswestry. 3848

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Notts District.—Meeting at Worksop (8), Saturday, January 11th. Names for tea by 7th to Mr. H. Smart, 19, Park Street, Worksop. Annual District meeting on February 8th. Details later.—H. Denman. 3841

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—North West District.—Ringing meeting at Elveden (8), Saturday, January 11th. Bells 2.30 to 9 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, by Wednesday, January 8th, to Mr. J. Paul, 27, Brandon Road, Elveden, near Thetford. 3820

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Andover District.—Annual meeting, Whitechurch (8), January 11th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. in Parish Room. Names for tea to Mr. E. Dance, Bere Hill Farm, Whitechurch. Bells available after tea. 3833

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—Annual general meeting, Portsmouth Cathedral, January 11th. Bells 3 till 8.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Cathedral House, 5.15 p.m. Names for tea to Miss Lloyd Provost's Secretary, Cathedral Office, St. Thomas' Street, Portsmouth, by previous Wednesday, please.—L. Duguid. 3826

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**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—A special meeting to discuss the revision of rules will be held at 'The Rising Sun', Carter Lane, E.C., on Saturday, January 18th, at 6 p.m.—John Chilcott. 3808

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—Quarterly meeting, Staplehurst, January 18th (note the date). Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss F. Tomlin, 'Lime Trees', Staplehurst.—T. A. Cross, Dis. Sec. 3811

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—Quarterly meeting at Gillingham on Saturday, January 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea for those who notify Mr. R. D. Chapman, 41, Bettescombe Road, Rainham, Gillingham, by the previous Monday (January 13th).—L. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec. 3838

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—Annual meeting in Manchester on Saturday, January 18th. Bells available: Town Hall 2.30-4.30, Cathedral from 6 p.m. Dedication of Derek Ogden Memorial Library in Cathedral helfry at 5 p.m. Tea in Cathedral Refectory at 5.30 p.m. Names to Mr. F. Barraclough, 11A, Wellington Road, Eccles, by Wednesday, January 15th. Business meeting after tea. 3836

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—West Lindsey Branch.—Annual meeting, Gainsborough, Saturday, January 18th. Bells afternoon until 5.45, followed by service and tea 6.30 p.m. (for those who notify me by previous Tuesday). The film 'Ringers Required' will be shown after the business meeting.—Geo. L. A. Lunn, Crow Garth, Lea, Gainsborough, Tel. 2623. 3786

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—Annual Branch meeting, Saturday, January 18th, at St. John-de-Sepulchre. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and meeting at the Chantry Rooms. Ringing at St. Giles' in the evening. Names for tea to Mrs. Golden, 26, Brahazon Road, Norwich, Nor. 57N.—C. Bird, Branch Sec. 3817

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wellingborough Branch.—Annual meeting at Irthlingborough, Saturday, January 18th. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Tuesday to Mr. Bigley, 30, Allen Road, Irthlingborough. 3842

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Dorchester Branch.—Annual meeting, St. Peter's, Dorchester, on Saturday, January 18th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. in All Saints' Church House, followed by meeting. Further ringing until 9 p.m. Fordington St. George's (6) also available. Names for tea by Wednesday, January 15th, to R. H. Duke, Hon. Sec., 1, Came View Road, Dorchester, Dorset. (Tel. 158.) 3850

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—Annual District meeting at Reigate, January 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea at St. Mark's Hall, Alma Road. Names for tea to me at 40, Woodside Way, Redhill, before January 16th.—G. A. West, Hon. Sec. 3812

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD.**—Alton and Petersfield District.—Annual meeting, Alton, January 18th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 4.45 p.m. at Somerscales, Turk Street. Business meeting follows. Numbers for tea by 14th to C. E. Bassett, 85, Brook Lane, Warsash, Southampton. 3822

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Next general meeting will be held at Hull on January 18th. Bells available: Kirk Ella (6), 1-2.30 p.m.; Cottingham (8), 2-3; Holy Trinity, Hull (12), 3-9 p.m. General Committee meet in the Choir School Hall (south side of church) 3.15 p.m. Choral Evensong in the Choir at 4 p.m. Address by the Bishop of Hull. Tea at 5 p.m. at Kardomah Restaurant, Friargate, followed by general meeting in the Choir School Hall. Names for tea to Mr. D. V. Stipetic, c/o Holy Trinity Church, Kingston-upon-Hull, not late than January 15th.—L. W. G. Morris, Gen. Sec., 65, Lilycroft Road, Bradford 9. 3852

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—Quarterly meeting, St. Stephen's, Canterbury, Saturday, January 25th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea, Parish Hall at 2s. 6d. per person. Names, together with cash, by January 22nd to Miss E. Dixon, c/o Christ Church College, Canterbury, Kent. 3789

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hereford District.—Annual general meeting at Hereford on Saturday, February 8th. Ringing at Hereford Cathedral 2.15 till 4 p.m. Service at All Saints' 4.30. Tea and meeting at All Saints' Parish Room (The Royal George) afterwards, and All Saints' bells from 6.15 until 8.45 p.m. Names for tea, please, to R. G. Powell, 9, Green Lane, Kingstone, near Hereford. 3857

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Preliminary notice. Social evening, Christ Church Hall, Epsom, Saturday, February 8th. All welcome. Details later.—W. Parrott, Hon. Sec. 3837

### ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

Will members please note that this year's Provincial Meeting will be held in Cardiff on Saturday, June 6th, the programme to include business meeting, luncheon and ringing at Newport, Llandaff and Cardiff.

Full details will be published later.  
—John Chilcott. 3810

### LATE NOTICES

**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Warwick Branch.—Meeting at Lillington, January 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Evening ringing, All Saints', Leamington, from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea by January 9th to I. C. Maycock, 109, Heathcote Road, Whitnash, Leamington Spa (26785). 3859

**ELY ASSOCIATION.**—Wisbech Branch.—Annual meeting, Walsoken, Saturday, January 11th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to M. Reed, 48, Mount Drive, Wisbech.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 3863

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Banbury Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Swalcliffe, January 11th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea, followed by business, 4.45 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. S. Nicholls, 2, Council Houses, Swalcliffe, Banbury, Oxon. 3858

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Davenport Branch.—Branch annual meeting will be held at Davenport, Saturday, January 11th. Names for tea by Monday previous to Mr. H. Johnson, Greenford, Badby Road, Davenport.—F. W. Hancock. 3860

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bingham District.—Annual meeting at Bingham, January 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to W. L. Exton, 'St. Owen's', Whetton.—R. Blackshaw, Dis. Sec. 3866

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—Meeting at Netherton, Saturday, January 18th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Names by Thursday, January 15th, please.—Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., 17, Ham Lane, Pedmore, Stourbridge, Worcs. 3861



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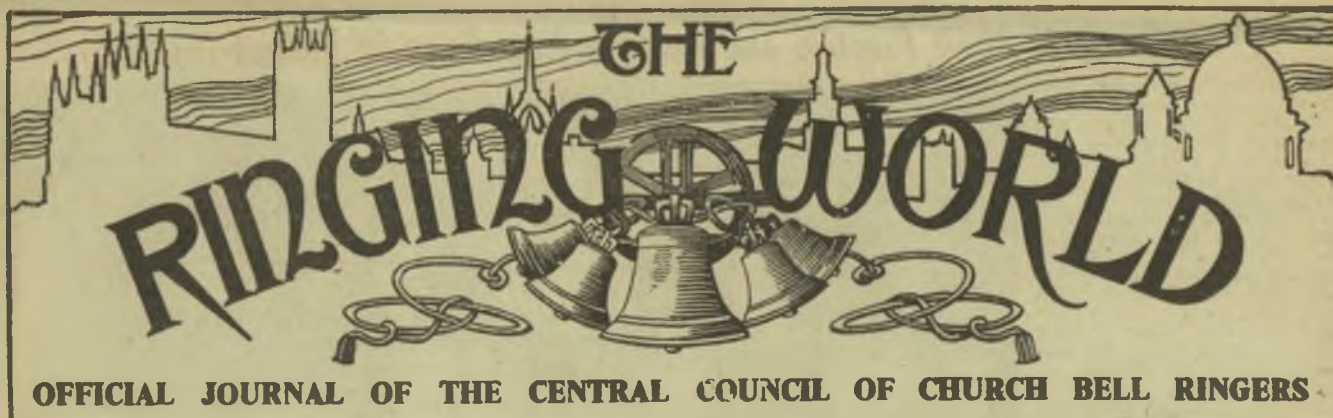
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## THE TELL-TALE OF 1963

SOME views about peal ringing were expressed in a front page article last September, but your annual reminder to readers to send in their peal totals for 1963 for inclusion in the tell-tale prompts these further reflections. There are those we know who regularly ring more than the 25 peals in a year, which is the minimum number you suggest for inclusion in the list, but who do not send in details because they do not wish to be included. And yet, of course, the separate peal details have been published throughout the year, so the facts can be ascertained by the use of a little time and trouble by anyone interested. To my mind the list is a useful complement to the recording of peals rung for the various Associations, prepared each year by the Central Council, but perforce not published until many months of the new year have gone.

It is normal, at the year's end, for the staff of a weekly or monthly journal to look back, and take stock, and to summarise for their readers some of the events of the year that has gone. With the limited resources of our paper it is a good thing that some of this work is done by the Records Committee of the Central Council and that this other part, the tell-tale, can be achieved by the voluntary help of those primarily concerned.

As one who has never before made the list, having usually, for these days, modest total of about 15 peals a year, I have always found it interesting to see new names coming into the list, and new conductors, and new ringers of handbell peals. These are the people on whom the Exercise will depend to a great extent in the years to come for leadership in the often difficult task of maintaining bands for service ringing; of providing officers and leaders of our Associations and Guilds; of helping new recruits over the hurdles of their first peals and quarter peals and of setting targets at which those beginners can aim. It will be said of course that our leading peal ringers do not all do all these things at present, but I believe that the exceptions are few. The large majority of the names that will appear in the list in due course will be those of ringers who ring regularly for services and support many of their Association meetings. And teach beginners, though how they manage to find the time for it all I often wonder.

Now for a personal note. My own first, and in all probability last, appearance in the list is due mainly to the efforts of other members of the Exercise. On a summer outing or during the Central Council week-end one visits a new tower. Being impressed by the bells one says

(casual like!) 'I'd like a peal here sometime.' The tower captain just happens to be in earshot and some weeks later a peal attempt has been arranged. And probably some refreshment after it. To all those people and to all the other friends who regularly invited me to stand in their attempts, thus making my 1963 total possible, my grateful thanks.

W. G. W.

## LONGEST PEALS ON TOWER AND HANDBELLS

### TOWER BELLS

- (1). 40,320 Plain Bob Major, Loughborough Bell Foundry, 27-7-1963, in 17 hours, 58½ minutes.
  - (2). 32,704 Plain Bob Major, Loughborough Bell Foundry, 15-7-1961, in 15 hours, 30½ minutes.
  - (3). 22,400 Plain Bob Major, Kirby-le-Soken, Essex, 9-4-1960, in 11 hours, 45 minutes.
  - (4). 21,600 Bristol Surprise Major, Over, Cheshire, 4-11-1950, in 12 hours, 58 minutes.
  - 21,600 60-Spliced Treble Bob Minor, Loughborough Bell Foundry, 28-12-1963, in 9 hours, 44 minutes.
  - (6). 21,363 Stedman Caters, Appleton, Berks, 22-4-1922, in 12 hours, 25 minutes.
  - (7). 18,928 Plain Bob Major, Loughborough Bell Foundry, 4-8-1962, in 9 hours, 13 minutes.
  - (8). 18,144 Plain Bob Major, Benington, Herts, 5-6-1933, in 10 hours, 52 minutes.
  - (9). 18,027 Stedman Caters, Loughborough Parish, 12-4-1909, in 12 hours, 18 minutes.
  - (10). 18,000 25 Minor, Stisted, Essex, 18-11-1957, in 9 hours, 35 minutes.
- Also, a false peal of 18,280 Kent Treble Bob Major at Mottram, 1922, in 11 hours, 13 minutes.

### HANDBELLS

- (1). 19,738 Stedman Caters, Guildford, 31-8-1912, in 9 hours, 32 minutes.
- (2). 15,904 Plain Bob Major, Marple, Cheshire, 22-12-1962, in 7 hours, 40 minutes.
- (3). 15,840 Plain Bob Royal, Bournemouth, 17-10-1953, in 8 hours, 2 minutes.
- (4). 15,840 Plain Bob Minor, Putney, London, 20-2-1963, in 6 hours, 12 minutes.
- (5). 15,000 Doubles (25 methods), City of London, 14-11-1962, in 5 hours, 58 minutes.
- (6). 14,031 Stedman Caters, Guildford, 1-6-1912, in 7 hours, 3 minutes.
- (7). 13,664 Double Norwich Court Bob Major, Bushey, Herts, 29-2-1948, in 6 hours, 4 minutes.
- (8). 13,440 Plain Bob Major, Pudsey, Yorks, 5-6-1911, in 7 hours, 7 minutes.
- (9). 13,320 Plain Bob Royal, Marple, Cheshire, 14-12-1963, in 7 hours, 2 minutes.
- (10). 13,139 Grandsire Caters, Bournemouth, 31-1-1953, in 6 hours, 34 minutes.



## They Gave up their Practice and made a New Page in Village History

THE traveller along the main road between the Hertfordshire towns of St. Albans and Barnet passes the prominent 15th century tower of St. Giles' Church, South Mymms, in Middlesex. Since the time of Napoleon this has contained six bells and these were rehung with the back three recast at Whitechapel in 1893. A few years later, the ringing gallery was removed and soon after the First World War, the then Vicar silenced the bells, after a slight mishap to one of them. So they remained during his lifetime.

Recently, under a new Vicar, the Rev. E. P. Clare, the tower was restored and, one autumn day in 1962, Roger Durrant, of Cheshunt, in the course of his work on church clock maintenance, asked permission to try the bells. This was readily given and, after hard work with spanners, grease and a set of old ropes, the bells rang out for Harvest Festival. Interest was roused in the village and Ralph Bootman, the organist and ex-ringer, gave a few lessons before leaving for another post. In February, help came from St. Albans when a regular Thursday practice was started on silent bells.

A full team of beginners was immediately formed of all ages, from young Harvey Sillis to Dick Owen, a young 60-odd. Very many hours of steeplekeeping were put in by Jeff Fost (under the guidance of Geoff Dodds), including a memorable trip to Mears—"Do you sell spare parts for bells?"

May came and the home team rang their first rounds on open bells as the 'service touch' at the first ringing meeting in the tower, before most of them took their places in the choir. Later came some minor repair work by Mears, the start of change ringing at the St. Peter's, St. Albans, practices and, by Harvest Festival, Sunday ringing started, one year after the bells were first rung again for a Sunday.

Recently, the Vicar has been seriously ill in hospital, but is now out and about on light duties. One practice night, he came into the belfry and asked very nicely if the ringers would forgo just one practice, at the end of November. Momentary disappointment was seen, but not voiced, so, with a twinkle in his eye: "Good, I'm so glad, because that is the night of the first annual South Mymms ringers' dinner. I hope you can all come."

### THE DINNER

Came the night and, at 7.30 prompt, several cars arrived at the Waggon and Horses, Ridge Hill.

First surprise! How many ringers' dinners begin with several glasses of Bristol Cream Sherry? Ten South Mymms ringers and eleven visitors then took their places, the visitors being the Vicar and Mrs. Clare, the two churchwardens, five of the St. Albans instructors (three of them girls), a trustee (?) and a silversmith (?). A delicious meal followed: oxtail soup, chicken with mountains of good things to go with it, trifle, an excellent French white wine—the glasses were never allowed to become empty—Blue Stilton, biscuits and coffee.

"I give you the Queen!"

"The Queen."

The Vicar then rose.

"Ladies and gentlemen, I expect you are wondering how all this came about and why this lovely silver tankard is here in front of you."

Two months before, the Vicar received a phone call from a London bank. Did he have any bellringers? "Yes." Were the bells rung regularly? "Yes." "Oh, in that case, we can go ahead with the bequest."

In 1924, Joan Bruce Robinson died at the tender age of 10½ years. Her father, Mr. A. Bruce Robinson, purchased a tankard out of her savings and incorporated this in his will, made in 1929. Eighteen years ago, he died



The silver loving cup is in front of the Vicar. The five instructors from St. Albans are on the right.  
[By courtesy of the Barnet Press.]

and his executors (the London bank) began the lengthy job of meeting the terms of his will. Many benefactions came to the church, including funds for the restoration of the tower. The bequest for the ringers came fortunately just after ringing was resumed. The terms include—

(1) There shall be an annual dinner for the South Mymms bellringers, for which a sum of £10 is to be used. It is to be free for the bellringers, but visitors shall pay part.

(2) There shall be two bottles of Bristol Milk provided.

(3) The cup is to be on the table at the dinner and a visitor shall propose the toast 'Prosperity to the Ringers' to be drunk from it.

(4) The cup is to be inscribed with the six bells of South Mymms and a chosen verse by the famous Vicar of Morwenstow, Parson Hawker. (Also added are the words 'The Joan Bruce Robinson Memorial Cup'.)

(5) The bells shall be rung muffled before midnight on New Year's Eve and 'open' afterwards.

So, that explained the 'trustee' and the silversmith.

The Georgian lidded tankard was most beautifully made by Robert Ginnes in 1724, is of solid silver, weighing 44 oz, and has been valued at £750.

The Vicar, as first 'visitor,' proposed 'Prosperity to the Ringers' and the cup was passed round clockwise as a loving cup, in the ancient ritual, where the drinker and the previous one stand back to back and the next person stands facing the cup, ready to receive it. This was once a precaution against stabbing in the back. The cup was filled with a very fine punch, rumoured to be 50 per cent brandy! The evening drew to a close with handbell ringing, excited conversation and examination of the cup, before the company dispersed through the driving rain which was hardly noticed by anyone.

The next Sunday morning, ringing stopped early and the ringers gathered round the grave of little Joan Bruce Robinson in the churchyard, to honour her memory. Now for the last condition in the bequest. All through December muffles were being made and the special technique of half-muffled ringing practised, for, with the passing of the old year and the welcome to the new sounding for the first time since little Joan died, South Mymms will remember her and the verse inscribed on the cup:

'Come to thy God in Time,

Thus saith their pealing chime.

Youth, manhood, old age past,

Come to thy God at last.

G. D.

## PREB. ANDREWS HONOURED

The Exercise will extend its congratulations to Preb. J. H. B. Andrews, of Chittlehampton Vicarage, Umberleigh, North Devon, the president of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers and secretary of the Guild of Clerical Ringers, who has been appointed a M.B.E. in the New Year's Honours List.

Preb. Andrews' award was made mainly in recognition of his services as chairman of the Barnstaple Youth Employment Committee for several years, but in many other directions he has done notable public service, not least to the Exercise in Devon.

### Important Notice

We regret to announce that Mr. J. E. Jeater, the accountant to 'The Ringing World,' was admitted to Truro Hospital on Christmas Day suffering from internal haemorrhage. The latest news is that he is making satisfactory progress and hopes to be home next week.

In consequence, there is a delay in dealing with correspondence and the dispatch of receipts. New subscribers can enrol at 'The Ringing World' Office, c/o Woodbridge Press, Ltd., Guildford, and renewal subscriptions and changes of address can also be sent there. If any new subscribers have not yet received their first copy of 1964, will they please write to the Editor.

## 143 SPLICED MINOR COMPOSITION

Mr. G. R. Drew sends the following corrections:—

On page 861 (December 27th, 1963):—

Extent No. 4 finishes with 62534 Alford!  
It should have 45362 Cornhill L  
— 23456 after this.

Another couple of small things:—

Ext. No. 6—No Bob against 23456 Sandal Treble Bob.

Ext. No. 5—? 6 after S lead 45362 Ringstead All.

NUTFIELD, SURREY.—On Dec. 15th, 1,320 Grandsire Doubles: Nancy Kempell 1, W. Dunn 2, Joan Hanning 3, K. G. Game (cond.) 4, A. T. Shelton 5, S. Smith 6. Ring for Matins, and on the birth of a second son to the Rector, the Rev. G. Williams.



## OBITUARY

### MR. JOHN CRAGG

One of the last remaining foundation members of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild. Mr. John Cragg, of Caythorpe, Lincs, died after a short illness on December 19th in Grantham Hospital, aged 84 years.

A man of fine physique and character, he was a grand ringer in every way. Excellent at the heavy end, seldom was he known to make a mistake. He had a stern but lovable way of demanding the utmost from the band.

John was a member of a ringing family and he led the Caythorpe belfry when they had one of the finest bands in the county. In the early days of the Guild he rang in many peals with the Rev. A. Lew James. His first peal by a local band, in which he rang the seventh, was Grandsire Triples on February 11th, 1903; one of his last was 50 years later on the same bell to the same method.

He was always present for Sunday ringing and whenever visitors came to Caythorpe for peals or outings he ensured that everything was in readiness and gave them a warm welcome. In cricket he will be remembered for his fearless batting and he had several broken bats to remind him of his prowess.

Many villagers and ringers were present at the funeral service on December 23rd to pay their respects to this fine gentleman. Members of the Lincoln Cathedral Company rang a course of Grandsire Triples at the graveside standing: P. A. Sharpe 1-2, J. L. Millhouse 3-4, John Freeman 5-6, John Walden 7-8. A memorial peal of Stedman Triples was rung on December 28th. So passes another good and faithful servant. Caythorpe will never seem the same without John Cragg.

J. W. and J. L. M.

### MR. ALLEN ROBINSON

The funeral service took place on December 27th at Mirfield, Yorks, of Mr. Allen Robinson, the last of the older generation of Mirfield ringers. His association with the tower extended to almost 60 years, and during this time he had held the offices of secretary, conductor and tower keeper. He was 81 years of age.

Mr. Robinson joined the Yorkshire Association in 1900 and had visited more than 100 towers in his native county. He had rung two peals for the Yorkshire Association and was a life member. His father, Mr. Benjamin Robinson, rang at Mirfield for over 60 years.

Taking part in the half-muffled ringing at the service were Miss S. Armitage, Messrs. I. Walker, C. Thornton, W. Bawcutt, D. Moffett, P. Broughton and C. Armitage (conductor).

### MR. TOM SAUNDERS

The sudden death while attending an Oddfellows' Club meeting on December 20th of Mr. Tom Saunders, of East Peckham, Kent, will be deeply regretted by members of the Kent County Association and other friends. He recently attained his 80th birthday and was looking forward to his golden wedding in 1964.

Owing to a painful affliction in one of his legs for about 12 years he was prevented from active ringing, but his interest in the affairs of the Exercise was unabated. Indeed, at the time of his death, he had been tower secretary at East Peckham for 53 years, and previous to that was secretary at Hadlow from 1906 to 1919. He was also secretary of the Tonbridge District of the Kent County Association from 1941 to 1946. He rang about 200 peals, his last being at Hadlow on January 28th, 1950, which brought my total with him to 125. I am sure he will never be forgotten by those who knew him.

He had a most remarkable memory and he loved to sit and talk about the amusing incidents he had had with his ringing friends.

To Mrs. Saunders and the family we tender our very sincere condolences in their bereavement.

The funeral took place at Tunbridge Wells Crematorium on December 31st. Many ringers attended and a course of Grandsire was rung by four Tonbridge District members—Mrs. S. M. Dobbie 1-2, T. E. Sone 3-4, W. H. Dobbie 5-6, G. Fry 7-8.

T. E. S.

### CHRISTMAS DAY BROADCAST

Expressing his disappointment at the Christmas Day broadcast, Mr. James Hedgecock, 17-year-old conductor at St. Thomas' Church, St. Helens, suggests that the Scots, Welsh, Irish, and people from other areas of the country could do with a few lessons on how to strike bells correctly from the Liverpool Branch of the Lancashire Association of Change Ringers.

His letter concludes: 'I sincerely hope that this standard of ringing is not common, and I would appeal to the B.B.C. and I.T.V. to give the true impression of what good, well-struck ringing sounds like at Christmas. There are usually well-struck bells on the Light programme at 8.25 each Sunday morning.'

### ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD

The annual meeting of the Guild was held at Elland, on December 7th, and was moderately well attended. After Evensong, conducted by the Rector, the Rev. J. R. Howarth, the business meeting took place in the Parochial Hall. The Guild's chairman, Mr. P. Birkett, took the chair, and the secretary, treasurer and Ringing Master presented their reports for the past year.

Officials elected for 1964 were: Secretary, Miss W. Mortimer; Ringing Master, Mr. R. Senior; treasurer, Mr. A. W. Bond; committee: Messrs. F. Linfoot and H. Quarby and Miss A. Flather. Members expressed their gratitude to Mr. D. Smith for the work he had done for the Guild during the past three years, while he held the post of secretary.

It was decided that the next meeting should be held in March, the tower to be announced at a later date. Ringing was resumed after the meeting until 9 p.m.

D. S.

### MISS P. A. SAUNDERSON MARRIED

Bell ropes were hung in the porch of All Saints' Church, Sandon, Herts, on December 14th, for the wedding of Miss P. Anne Saunderson, a local ringer, and Mr. Christopher Worboys, of the Ashwell tower. Both bride and bridegroom also ring at Baldock. The bells were rung before and after the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. J. Catterick.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a full length dress of white brocade (made by herself), and a short veil. Her sister June and Miss Margaret Hatchett were the elder bridesmaids, and two-and-a-half-year-old Maureen Mabbitt also attended. Mr. Rodney Worboys was best man.

A reception was held at Sandon Village Hall and the presents included a canteen of cutlery from fellow bellringers.

### A SILENCE OF TEN YEARS BROKEN IN DEVON

The picturesque village of Oakford, high above the valley of the Exe, some seven miles from Tiverton, has a ring of eight cast by Mears, with a tenor of 12½ cwt. During the past 10 years various attempts have been made to obtain permission to ring the bells and various reasons were given why the bells should not be rung.

In July the Bishop of Exeter put Oakford under the care of the Rev. R. G. Herniman, Rector of the East Devon group of parishes, and he readily gave permission for an inspection. Debris from birds was removed from the tower and an inspection carried out. After a few more visits, and the use of much oil, a party of four ringers from St. Peter's, Tiverton, went on December 14th to tidy up and try the bells singly, and decided to ring them on St. Stephen's Day.

A representative band on December 27th rang the bells for two hours under the guidance of Messrs. F. D. Mack and H. W. Ware. There is still much work to be done, but everyone was delighted with them and it is hoped that the local ringers will now keep them going.

Visiting ringers should apply to either the Rev. R. G. Herniman, of Washfield, Tiverton, or to the Ringing Master of the N.E. Branch of the Devon Guild, who has been appointed steeple-keeper. Ringing by visiting bands will be limited for the time being until everyone is satisfied that ropes and fittings are satisfactory.

W. A. W.

### NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the North Staffs Association was held on December 7th at Stoke Parish Church Hall. The Ven. George Youell, president, was in the chair, and the following officers were elected: Chairman, Mr. G. W. Biddulph; vice-chairman, Mr. A. W. Hall; secretary, Mr. G. C. Beech; treasurer, Mr. A. D. Steele; Ringing Master, Mr. W. H. Pickett.

Sixty-two members sat down to a first class meal, kindly supplied free by the Rector of St. Peter's Church, and ably waited on by wives of Stoke ringers and their lady ringers.

The Archdeacon thanked the ringers for their attendance and the work they did; he also paid tribute to the hard work put in by the retiring secretary, Mr. J. G. Burton. Reviewing the year he said the most memorable thing in his mind was the dinner for the 80th anniversary of the Association.

'The Ringing World' was thanked for their very full coverage of this event.

After tea ringing recommenced, ranging from Grandsire Triples to Bristol Surprise.

### HEREFORD CATHEDRAL SCHOOL SOCIETY

On December 30th, the Hereford Cathedral School Society rang a peal of Doubles in five methods at Much Dewchurch. This was the outcome of several practices and quarter peals during the past six months. At the annual general meeting, held a few days previously, it was reported that monthly practices had been held regularly at towers in the Hereford District, and an outing had been organised. Thanks were due to Messrs. G. T. Cousins and J. W. Hope, for their help to the Society in making these a success.

M. C. W. Sherwood was elected Master for 1964 in place of J. F. I. Turney, who did not seek re-election, and it is hoped that progress will be maintained during the coming year. The Society, which was started in the 1940's, has among its Past Masters J. C. Eisel and M. P. Moreton.

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# Letters to the Editor

## Standard in Long Length Peals

Dear Sir.—It is strange how people will write about matters of which they know little. I fail to see how the conductor or organiser of the record attempt at Loughborough can, in this context, 'owe' anybody anything, and as I was neither, but simply a grateful participant in the event, I should like to record some of the facts.

The band that rang the normal length peal of Cambridge Royal was not the same as that which had attempted the Yorkshire Royal record; neither (obviously) was the band that rang the peal of London Major the same as that which had taken part in the above-mentioned two events. The ringing in the two peals was far better than in the record attempt.

It is no light matter to undertake a peal attempt which is likely to last about 11 hours. Have your correspondents no nerves? We have—and they showed. That 'stand' was called when it was called was the correct decision; it was, rightly, one man's decision, but agreement was, I think, unanimous.—Yours faithfully,

LESLIE BOUMPHREY.

Seaton, Workington.

## Multi-Spliced Peals

Dear Sir.—As the only surviving member of the band that rang the first spliced peal of Treble Bob Minor in 35 methods at Norbury, Cheshire, on Tuesday, December 4th, 1923, I tender my heartiest congratulations to the band who, just 40 years later, rang one in 143 methods at Castle Eaton, Wilts. I know full well that if any other members of the Norbury band had been alive to-day they, too, would have added their congratulations.

Forty years ago it was thought that five methods per 720 was the maximum that could be obtained and the 35 method peal was successful only after much hard work. Since then great progress has been made and to-day a similar peal seems to be insignificant.

When we accomplished our peal Mr. John S. Goldsmith was wholly behind us but to the 'die-hards' spliced ringing was nothing more than a stunt and would lead nowhere, many of the 'great ones' of the day ridiculed it and poured scorn on our efforts. What a difference to-day. 'Spliced' peals are commonplace and I wonder how many who ring them appreciate the efforts of the pioneers.

JOHN P. FIDLER.

Loughborough.

## President Kennedy's Death

Dear Sir.—I am sorry to see that a man whom I respect and admire should take part in the degrading 'we were first to ring for President Kennedy' race.

Does it really matter who rang first to commemorate this tragic event? The fact that some ringers were fortunate enough to be on the spot at the time is of no credit to them. That they immediately put their skill to such use is indeed praiseworthy—but no less credit is due to those who followed as soon as they could, be it next day, next week, even next month. To indulge in argument as to who struck the first note sullies the good intentions of those taking part and reduces the Exercise to the level of an egg-and-spoon race.

I wish no offence to the persons concerned. It is merely my opinion that values are in danger of being badly distorted here. The important point is that the bells were rung—not who got there first.—Yours faithfully,

D. A. BRAY (Mrs.).

Whitchurch, Tavistock.

## Adelaide Town Hall Bells

Dear Sir.—There are two points in Mr. Russ' interesting account ('R.W.' December 6th, 1963) that call for comment.

Firstly, he is not correct in stating that there are only three town halls possessing rings of bells. In addition to the three he mentions, the Town Hall of Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland, has had a ring of eight bells (tenor 21 cwt.) since the latter part of the 18th century, although they are now unringable owing to their own poor condition and the precarious state of the tower. A detailed report of these bells appears in the 1947 volume of the 'R.W.'

Secondly, the fact of the third bell being the lightest of the ring is not unique. There are several similar instances of this in the U.K. and to quote but one example from the bells in this locality, Blaydon-on-Tyne has a light ring of six, in which the third is the lightest bell, the weights being: treble (G sharp), 3 cwt. 3 qr. 17 lb.; 2nd (F sharp), 3 cwt. 2 qr. 27 lb.; 3rd (E), 3 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb.; 4th (D sharp), 4 cwt. 0 qr. 23 lb.; 5th (C sharp), 5 cwt. 0 qr. 7 lb.; tenor (B), 6 cwt. 0 qr. 27 lb.—Yours sincerely,

K. ARTHUR.

Newcastle upon Tyne.

## Society of Wessex Scholars

Dear Sir.—As was to be expected, the controversy over the formation of the Society of Wessex Scholars has begun with a vengeance.

On examination, is your correspondent, Mr. David E. House, really qualified to express an opinion? It is unfortunate that the name 'Wessex' was selected as part of the title of the Society, which is intended in no way to be territorial. Nevertheless, Wessex does cover a considerably larger area than that of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild.

Mr. House states that the fruits of bad teaching can be seen in belfries all over the country. If this is so what is his complaint about the formation of the Scholars? The Guilds and Associations have done wonderful work over the years, a fact which no ringer can deny, except perhaps Mr. House, who seems to have overlooked the possibility that the seeds of the fruit of bad teaching and ringing were sown by the members of these Associations. I personally do not believe this to be the case. Many good ringers have been taught by poor teachers which seems to point to the fact that good ringers are born and not made. Conversely, there are many bad ringers who have been taught by excellent teachers.

Without wishing to bring in personalities I must say that I have in writing a statement made by an officer of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild to the effect that the objects of the Guild have been very much neglected. Perhaps this is the reason why so many bells in this area hang silent through lack of ringers and teachers.

Come along now, Mr. House, get your jacket off and tackle a job of work that is well worth doing. I'm quite sure you would be most welcome to help out in the towers where only indifferent Grandire Doubles are rung. Your own Guild, of which I have also been a member for 18 years, would surely benefit from your efforts. Alternatively, come and join the Scholars, who have openings for good teachers.—Yours faithfully,

FRANK C. W. KNIGHT, M.A.

Winchester.

## Dragging through a Peal

Dear Sir.—Whilst not wishing to enter into dispute with Mr. House on the aims of the Wessex Scholars' Society, I must challenge his use of the phrase 'Dragged through a peal' when he refers to membership.

I have heard this term used before by the so-called expert ringer. I would remind David that when he rang his first peal at Whitchurch none of the more experienced ringers that day thought of it as dragging him through; indeed we were only too pleased to help him to ring his first peal (as I am to help any first-pealer) and he did not disappoint us, as he rang very well.

I would like to see this term banished from ringing (it is used far too often) and a little more tolerance shown to beginners and ringers attempting their first peal or first in a new method. We all have to learn but I hope we don't have to be dragged through. I am sure the Wessex Society don't intend to drag anybody through; their aims rather are to assist beginners.

Our Guild is short of teachers: the more teaching that can be done by this Society the better. I would point out to Mr. House the objects of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild under Rule 1:—

'Encouragement of ringing for divine service, cultivation of change ringing and the preservation of church bells in an efficient condition.'

If this is being done, what does it matter who does it? And in our Guild's area there are plenty of towers that not only need encouragement but also maintenance of bells.

As the members of this Society are also members of the parent body, I would say, 'Carry on the good work until all bells in the area are rung regularly for at least one service on a Sunday.—Yours sincerely,

GEOFFREY DODD.

Highclere.

## Congratulations to 143 Spliced Methods Ringers

Dear Sir.—As one just living across the border, I feel I must add congratulations to Tony Peake and company, on their excellent achievement in ringing a peal of Spliced Minor in 143 methods.

I have had the pleasure of meeting all the ringers who took part, with the exception of Mr. Hurcombe. Anthony and Brian have been known to me since the commencement of their ringing careers.

The synopsis referring to Brian Bladon is slightly incorrect, where it purports him as being a Ringing Master in the Salisbury Guild. He is in fact Ringing Master, Swindon Branch, the Bristol and Gloucester Association.—Yours sincerely,

T. A. PALMER.

Hon. Sec., Marlborough Branch,  
Salisbury Guild.

## 'Now All Bob'

Dear Sir.—In addition to the ringing expressions explained by Mr. Frank H. King in your issue of December 20th is the word 'Bob.' Chambers' Dictionary states 'the float of a fishing line, which pops up and down.'

In olden days, perhaps, the treble ringer, when about to lead at back stroke, would say, 'Now all bob,' signifying all dodge. I have heard the same when ringing Bob Maximus at St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich. The current use of 'bob' is worth interpretation.—Yours truly,

GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

Ipswich.

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## LETTERS—Continued

*Yorkshire Tail Ends*

Dear Sir.—Mr. Moreton's observations about the difficulty or otherwise of handling Yorkshire ends may be applied to ordinary tail-ends as well. Both types of tail-end are liable to swing about when held more than a few inches from the end, and I think Yorkshire ends are rather safer when they do; I would rather be hit in the eye by a nice soft tail-end than a hard one of rope! Ordinary tail-ends can also twist in the single part below the sally as well as Yorkshire tails.

I, too, have noticed a lot of single bell practice in Yorkshire, but it seems to occur at towers without Yorkshire ends as well as those with. Such practice is not more necessary with these ends than with ordinary tail-ends, the previous experiences of other ringers ringing any particular bell during a meeting should be enough to tell one whether a rope is long or short and adjust accordingly. Indeed, one of the advantages of a Yorkshire tail end is the ease of adjustment. What could be more simple than just tying or untying a knot? I agree with the criticism of the lack of a proper grip at handstroke on new ropes. Many people find it a problem with this type of tail-end. However, I think it is one which can be overcome with experience on these ropes as can the problem of poor grip if one has to get hold above the sally. I find these ropes delightful to ring with after some experience with them and would certainly recommend them to any tower trying them for the first time.—Yours, etc., J. B. PICKUP.

Accrington, Lancs.

*'Abominable Ends'*

Dear Sir,—His statement, by one so greatly appreciated as Mr. Wilfrid Moreton, is beyond my comprehension. I do ask Mr. Moreton if he has never before noticed, at the various meetings he attends, the knots. Have a look at the indifferent ringers who never try their length, which, to me, is far more haphazard than what I have been brought up to.

Mr. Moreton mentions the undignified single-bell practice. But it is far, far better to have the undignified single bell put right instead of a lot of undignified bells in the matter of coursing.

He states that a common result is that hand-stroke is rung with one hand, which in my mind is fallacious. My experience is that 90 per cent. of Yorkshire tailenders let their bell rise to a more upright position at back. In support of this I say, 'Carry on in your own undignified way of single-bell practice, for it leads you to command your own bell, which I am sure gives more contentment to the rest of the band, as the sound of your bell is far more important than undignified haphazardness.'—Yours, etc.,

JOSEPH BURGESS.

Friezeand.

The peal rung at Clifford, Herefordshire, on November 10th, was for the Hereford Diocesan Guild.

## LONGEST PEAL OF MINOR

By the Conductor, BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE

ON December 28th, the Bell Foundry Campanile at Loughborough was the scene of another long peal record when 21,600 changes of Spliced Treble Bob Minor in 60 methods were rung in 9 hours 44 minutes.

The peal, which was rung for the Chester Diocesan Guild, is the longest of spliced ringing—the previous longest being 13,440 Spliced Surprise Major rung at Norbury in 1961, also for the Chester Guild. In number of changes the peal is equal fourth with the 21,600 Bristol Surprise Major also rung by the same Guild in 1950. The longer peals are the 22,400, 32,704 and 40,320 Plain Bob Major.

The peal commenced at 9.40 a.m. at a steady pace of 20 minutes per extent, but gradually quickened with the 7-pull dodging in the fourth and fifth extents. The first 'peal' of 5,040 changes came round in 2 hours 18 minutes, slightly faster than anticipated, but it was found that the bells were easier to strike and handle at this speed. During this first part the ringing was a little uneven due to these reasons but by the time the Delight groups of methods were reached, the band had settled down well and it was a real treat to enjoy some excellent six-bell striking.

The halfway-point was passed at 2.30 p.m. and the difficult methods had been rung. From then on it was simply a case of standing there and working through the groups of methods one by one. Around about the 7-hour mark the first signs of mental tiredness were beginning to show and the ringing suffered by becoming slightly uneven and mistakes crept in. A few grumbles from the conductor and extra-loud calls stirred the band and within a surprisingly short time the ringing was back at its previous standard. Experience has shown

that long peals have relatively poorer patches of ringing, but as soon as these are over the ringing can be even better than earlier (e.g. in the extent of Major in July, 1963, the worst ringing was around 27,000, but the best was between 30,000 and 35,000). Thus it was in our peal, with the best ringing coming as the previous record was passed at 18,000 changes.

From here to the end it was not so plain sailing as expected. The ringers of 5 and 6 found that their wrists would not bend and their bells felt like a ton weight and more. This was no doubt due to the excessive amount of dodging that had been done and in view of this fact the 28th and 29th extents were called so as to include as much Oxford T.B. as possible to avoid the triple dodging in the methods of the group (Kingston, etc.). The end of the peal came without further incidents at 7.24 p.m.

Afterwards, several members remarked that the peal had been a much tougher proposition than expected and it seems that this is due to the fact that it was a peal of Treble Bob and the continual dodging allowed no rest. However, all were satisfied with it and were thankful that after years of waiting the record is at least 'out of the way,' for the time being, at least.

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The ringers would very much like to thank Paul Taylor for allowing them again the use of the Foundry bells for the attempt, and also to thank all those who sent and gave their best wishes for the peal.

'Thanks be to God which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.'

(I Corinth, xv, 57.)

## LAUNTON HANDBELL RINGERS

The Launton Handbell Ringers included in their Christmas programme a recital of Christmas music at Church House, Witney, in aid of the Freedom from Hunger Fund. They were directed by Mr. Frederick Sharpe, who gave a brief description of the bells and music.

The recital was divided into six sections devoted to popular traditional carols, mediæval, those for the provinces, foreign, modern and Christmas hymns. Seventy-six bells were in use.

Other pre-Christmas recitals given by the Launton Ringers were two in London (one at Cecil Sharp House, to the English Folk Dance and Song Society), three in Oxford and seven others.

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

The second annual dinner and social of the Bingham District was at the Jubilee Hall, Whetton, on December 20th. There were 73 ringers and friends present, and an excellent meal was served. The entertainment, given by younger members of the District, proved very enjoyable. All Districts were represented, and everyone had a good evening out, thanks to David Clarke, Mick Exton, and Whetton, Bingham and Holme Pierrepont ringers making the evening so successful. R. B.

## DEDICATION

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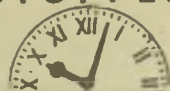
Whilst ringing was in progress on a Sunday evening in March, 1962, at St. James', West Teignmouth, a bearing of the tenor bell snapped, which resulted in the bell falling into its pit on one side.

Subsequently the Parochial Church Council launched an appeal for £5,000 to restore the bells and tower, and in July, 1963, the bells were dismantled and removed to the Loughborough Foundry for retuning, etc. Messrs. Taylor and Co. have now quarter turned and retuned the bells, and have rehung them in an iron frame with completely new fittings, so that they now are a real joy to ring.

After the evening service on December 22nd last, they were rededicated by the Lord Bishop of Crediton, after which Stedman Triples and call changes were rung by members of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers assisted by the local ringers. A. L. B.

WOBURN, BEDS.—On Dec. 11th, 1,260 Grand-sire Trebles; K. Jackson (first away from tenor) 1. A. Jeffs 2, A. Kershaw 3, P. Williams 4, H. B. Whitney (first of Triples as cond.) 5, R. Cadamy 6, R. R. Churchill 7, R. Atkins 8. First quarter for 8. First 'inside' 2 and 3. Half-muffled in memoriam Rev. T. N. Gunner.

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## TWO FIVE-PART TABLES

By JOHN SEGAR

About fifty years ago I read an article by an expert of that time about the proof of peals in five regular parts. He said if no falsehood had been detected after examining three parts the peal would be true. He did not know that all five parts can be proved by using a five-part table. Here is a peal and its proof, and also a false touch.

23456	W	M	H	W	M	H	23456	W	M	H	W	M	H
64235	—	—	—	T	5	6	43652	—	—	—	1	4	4
36245	—	—	—	2	2	2	26435	—	—	—	9	6	4
43265	—	—	—	7	7	7	42635	—	—	—	4	4	5
26435	—	—	—	6	6	4	62534	—	—	—	5	3	3
32465	—	—	—	9	9	9	45623	—	—	—	5	3	1
63425	—	—	—	E	E	E							
42635	—	—	—	4	4	5							
34625	—	—	—	X	X	X							
62345	—	—	—	3	3	1							

The peal is true, no figure occurs twice in any of the three columns. The touch is false in all columns.

Some peals have these part ends 34562, 45623, 56234, 62345, 23456. It does not matter which is first, the others will follow provided the first is not rounds. This means the peal and the touch can be proved by table 'A' below.

TABLE 'A'

TABLE A					W	M	H	
34562	45623	56234	62345	23456	1	T	4	2
534	645	256	362	423	2	7	7	3
453	564	625	236	342	3	5	T	1
43652	54263	65324	26435	32546	4	9	8	5
643	254	365	426	532	5	X	3	6
364	425	536	642	253	6	2	E	4
65432	26543	32654	43265	54326	7	6	X	8
465	526	632	243	354	8	1	1	9
546	652	263	324	435	9	E	6	7
56342	62453	23564	34625	45236	X	3	2	E
356	462	523	634	245	E	4	9	T
635	246	352	463	524	T	8	5	X

This table makes it easy to find any one of the sixty courses. In seconds place methods a bob at Wrong causes us to leave course 23456 and enter course 52436, which is in line T. The scale for a bob at Middle is 43652 so we leave 23456 line 1 and enter 43652 in line 4. The scale for a bob Home is 42356. Thirty-six transpositions will be required to complete the columns or forty-eight if we add a Before column.

I turn now to the second table, a much larger one because it has 360 course heads with the seventh in all positions. When used for Surprise Major there are a large number of transpositions for bobs and a still larger number for the false course heads. Cambridge Surprise has fifty-six F.C.H.s against each of the 360 courses in the table. It is because there is a way of reducing the work to one twelfth

of what might be expected that this article is being written. The table printed above will be used for the explanation of this time saver.

**Reduction No. 1.** Write out again the twelve courses headed by 23456 with really big figures so that after cutting up with the scissors the vertical strips are not too flimsy.

52436

There will be five perpendicular strips with twelve figures on each. Arrange them so that the top row reads 52436. This is the scale for a bob at Wrong. Across the strips you can read the twelve answers and errors are impossible.

Find the numbers in the table and enter in column W. Arrange the strips so that the top row reads 43652 and complete column M. Arrange the strips so that the top row reads 42356 and complete column H.

**Reduction No. 2.** From the twelve rows in the table make six peals: 1 and 7, 2 and 8, 3 and 9, 4 and X, 5 and E, 6 and T. Any pair will do as example, but I give two.

	W	M	H		W	M	H
Row 2	7	7	3	Row 4	9	8	5
	8	1	1		X	3	E

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It will be seen that the difference of six is constant between all pairs of rows and in all calling positions. Half length strips could have been used for the top half of the table. Then by adding or subtracting six the lower half could have been filled in without searching for the course and its number. For the small table one set of half length strips is required, but for the hundreds of transpositions necessary for Surprise Major with the tenors parted two sets are required. Readers who need help in preparing the 360 course table are invited to apply to me. (See advert.)

All possible part ends for five part peals will be found below.

A	B	C	D	E	F
34562	34625	35264	35642	36245	36524
45623	46532	56342	54263	65324	64235
56234	65243	64523	46235	54632	45362
62345	52364	42635	62534	42563	52643
23456	23456	23456	23456	23456	23456

Write the five members of a group in row 1 of your new table. The twelve courses headed by 23456 must be copied on this and all other tables. Copy also the W and H columns leaving the M column to be worked out later. Fill in columns 1 to 4 guided by column 5. You are now ready to prove any peals of this type.

Some readers may know that table 'A' can be used to prove all peals of this type regardless of the part-end, making tables 'B' to 'F' unnecessary. This is a complication outside the purpose of this article, which is to show how to reduce the work to one twelfth when composing peals of Surprise Major with the tenors parted, such as my 22,080 of Bristol and other record lengths.

### MORE BELFRY GOSSIP

The peal of Yorkshire Royal at Llandaff Cathedral was the first peal of Surprise Royal by a South Wales band and is an indication of the progress now being made in this area.

The many ringing friends of Miss Evelyn Steel will be sorry to learn that she is in the Russell Ward of Bedford County Hospital, after falling down and breaking her thigh. She is making satisfactory progress and can get about the ward with the aid of a special frame.

We are asked to make a correction to the report of the multi-Minor peals. Brian Bladon did not conduct the first peals of London and Bristol for the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association but the first six peals by members of the Swindon Branch of that Association.

The Dulwich Handbell Ringers this Christmas collected the magnificent sum of £320 for the Greater London Fund for the Blind. The leader, Mr. Arthur H. Coombs, informs us that the Society has collected over £3,000 in the past 17 years, but this year's was the biggest ever collection. The Society were out for 18 consecutive nights before Christmas, ringing in over 100 Dulwich streets.

Probably the forerunner of a School Campanological Society was the ringing of the bells of St. Nicholas', Bradfield, Yorks, before the Bradfield Secondary Modern School's carol service by a member of the teaching staff, an old scholar, a parent and two scholars. It is hoped that next year the school will provide its own team of six. At neighbouring Ecolesfield, for the second year running, the bells of St. Mary's Church were rung for the junior and senior grammar school carol services by past and present scholars.

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E. BARNETT.

10, Kings Road, Crayford.

### 'MARCH' OF PROGRESS

A milestone in steady progress of ringing at March St. Wendreda's was achieved on December 29th, when the final quarter peal on the bells for 1963 was rung.

For three months, local ringers have practised hard to 'break through' the intricacies of Cambridge Surprise. Bearing in mind the maxim 'Nothing without endeavour,' a team was finally rewarded in the ringing of a well struck quarter, which included an extent of Cambridge.

It was the first extent in the method in the tower by a team of local ringers since January 1st, 1824, when March men rang a 720, a 360 and a 240.

Five ringers in the recent quarter peal had not rung an extent of Cambridge before.

The first quarter peal on record at St. Wendreda's materialised in 1819, and was followed by extents in various methods. No other quarters were rung until 1949, and from that year 30 in Treble Bob and plain methods have been rung on March bells by March ringers. These include 23 'first' quarters. No less than 16 young people have rung their first quarter peal since 1960. Two full peals—one in recent years—have been rung on the bells by local ringers (13 in all having been rung at the tower).

A recent inauguration is monthly practices. Regular practices take place on Mondays and, of course, all are welcome to ring. Outings are considered to play a vital part in maintaining interest, and the local ringers have rung bells at about 100 churches.

The new year will see one or two members attending college, etc., but a core of 15 will remain, this number including several boys and girls who are busy ringing rounds, call changes and disentangling the early stages of method ringing.

T. A. B.



## QUARTER PEALS

**HELMDON, NORTHANTS.**—On Dec. 9th, 1,296 Surprise Minor (London, Cambridge): J. G. Sheldrake 1, Miss C. A. Bennett 2, W. J. Chester 3, J. Linnell 4, C. E. Truman (cond.) 5, B. Saunders 6.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On Dec. 8th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Challenor 1, R. Blackshaw 2, J. Dowse 3, J. Heaps 4, R. Larkin (first as cond.) 5, M. W. Harrison 6. For Evensong. Also on Dec. 15th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Dowse 1, R. Marsh 2, R. Blackshaw (cond.) 3, M. W. Harrison 4, J. Heaps 5. For Evensong.

**KENILWORTH, WARWICKS.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: V. Cox 1, A. Cox (first quarter) 2, S. Royal 3, C. Royal (cond.) 4, P. Bourne 5, J. Royal 6. First in method 1 and 5. Also on Dec. 29th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Grandsire, Plain Bob): P. Reading 1, S. Royal (cond.) 2, J. Royal (first in three methods) 3, C. Royal 4, P. Bourne 5, A. Webb 6. First of mixed Doubles 1 and 5. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mr. H. Hands, churchwarden.

**KING'S LANGLEY, HERTS.**—On Nov. 30th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: K. Cowan 1, P. Harper 2, Diana Kench 3, Marion Petts 4, C. Alban 5, K. Waples (cond.) 6. First of Minor 1 and 5. For St. Andrew's Day.

**KINGSTHORPE, NORTHANTS.**—On Dec. 27th, 1,440 Ipswich Surprise Minor: Miss J. A. Downing 1, G. F. Roome 2, R. W. Smith 3, D. E. Towers 4, A. A. Paul (cond.) 5, G. C. Paul 6.

**LEWISHAM, KENT.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: B. W. Evans (first on treble) 1, A. M. Macve (first 'inside' in method) 2, Freda Cannon 3, Barbara J. Leigh 4, G. Clarke (first in method as cond.) 5, Katharine M. Guy 6, T. Lewis (first in method) 7, M. Ferrier 8.

**LOCKING, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: Marjorie Legg (cond.) 1, G. Prescott 2, June Legg 3, J. Coombs 4, R. Venn 5, A. Skinner 6. For Matins. Also on Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): M. Legg 1, J. Lambert 2, J. Legg 3, Yvonne Criddle (aged 13) 4, J. Coombs 5, R. Barks 6. First quarter in three methods 2 and 4. For carol service.

**MILDENHALL, WILTS.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,224 London Surprise Minor: A. R. Peake (cond.) 1, R. Drewitt 2, V. Griffin 3, B. Bladon 4, M. J. Stanley 5, G. W. Land 6. First in method 2, 5 and 6. To herald Christmas Festival.

**MADELEY, SHROPSHIRE.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (with 4, 6, 8 covering): Miss P. Holford (first quarter) 1, T. Pritchard 2, H. Tranter (cond.) 3, H. Hyde 4, F. W. Jones 5, H. Tranter (first quarter) 6, T. S. Wilkes 7, A. J. Molinoli (first quarter) 8.

**MARCH, CAMBS.**—On Dec. 29th, 1,272 Minor (Cambridge, Oxford T.B.): F. S. Parsons 1, R. Lee 2, A. Turnbull 3, D. Feek 4, A. Palmer 5, T. A. Bevis (cond.) 6. For morning prayer. The first extent of Cambridge by a March team since 1824. First of Cambridge by 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.

**MARTOCK, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 11th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: F. Welch 1, S. A. Turner 2, Mrs. D. Crocker 3, J. Cornelius 4, F. J. White 5, A. W. Dyer 6, H. J. Gaylard (cond.) 7, A. C. Bown 8. First of Stedman Triples 3, 5 and 8.

**NEWTON HALL, NORTHUMB.**—On Dec. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: T. Wright (first quarter) 1, N. I. Wright 2, N. Errington 3, N. H. Hewitt 4, K. Arthur (cond.) 5, K. W. Cheeseman 6. Rung for the service of nine lessons and carols.

**NORTHAMPTON.**—At the Church of the Holy Sepulchre on Dec. 15th, 1,260 Minor (Cambridge, Plain Bob): G. F. Roome 1, R. W. Smith 2, Miss J. A. Downing 3, D. E. Towers 4, A. A. Paul 5, G. C. Paul (cond.) 6. In memoriam Mrs. D. E. Parker.

**NORWICH.**—At the Church of St. John de Sepulchre on Dec. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. C. Goodman 1, C. Bird 2, C. Curson 3, Mrs. D. Cubitt 4, M. Cubitt 5, R. Duesbury (cond.) 6, P. Adcock 7, D. Cubitt 8. For Evensong, and a compliment to the Vicar, the Rev. F. H. W. Millett, on being appointed a Minor Canon of Norwich Cathedral.

**ODCOMBE, SOMERSET.**—On Boxing Day, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): C. Wyatt 1, V. J. Farthing 2, G. Gaylard 3, H. J. Gaylard 4, R. Fox (cond.) 5. Believed to be the first recorded quarter peal on the bells.

**PADBURY, BUCKS.**—On Dec. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. Thatcher 1, J. Linnell 2, T. E. Roberts (cond.) 3, C. E. Truman 4, C. Gough 5, A. Thatcher 6. For Evensong.

**PERSHORE, WORCS.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (10 callings): M. Bristow (first quarter) 1, A. Grinnell 2, A. Collet 3, I. Lloyd 4, A. Berry (cond.) 5, E. Bick 6.

**PETERSFIELD, HANTS.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. DeCombe 1, Mary White 2, K. Sansom 3, K. Tipper 4, D. White 5, J. Queen 6, A. Queen (cond.) 7, Commd. Jackson 8. For the first Communion of Christmas.

**PIDDLEHINTON, DORSET.**—On Dec. 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Joanna J. Wigg (first on a 'working' bell) 1, Mary E. Elmes (first 'inside') 2, Judith A. Robertson 3, G. W. Elmes 4, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 5, M. J. Young 6. On Holy Innocents' Day.

**RAWMARSH, YORKS.**—On Dec. 30th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: D. Burling 1, G. Hiner 2, A. King 3, A. Beaumont 4, M. King 5, G. W. Pilkington (first as cond.) 6. A compliment to F. Pickering on his retirement from the position of tower keeper.

**REDBOURN, HERTS.**—On Dec. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Hobbs 1, Miss M. Simpson 2, G. A. Reading (cond.) 3, Miss G. Martin 4, K. J. Walpole (first quarter of Grandsire) 5, H. Walker 6. For Confirmation.

**SALEHURST, SUSSEX.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Gillian Coman (first quarter) 1, Gwen Fellows 2, Eileen Coman (first 'inside') 3, Angela Rudd 4, T. W. Edwards (cond.) 5, A. Smith 6. For carol service.

**SUNBURY-ON-THAMES, MIDDXX.**—On Dec. 1st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: P. Cranham 1, D. Brock 2, Felicity Pocock 3, P. Brand 4, D. Struckett 5, D. Boniface 6, M. Tyers 7, A. Tyers (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.**—On Dec. 28th, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: B. Collinson 1, Jean Lavender 2, Alice Foster 3, T. Sone 4, E. Radd 5, F. Darby (cond.) 6, C. Foster 7, S. Kimber 8.

**WENTWORTH, YORKS.**—On Dec. 21st, 1,320 Doubles (eight methods): Elizabeth Cherry 1, A. King (first quarter as cond.) 2, D. E. Archer 3, M. A. Beaumont 4, M. King 5, D. Hunton (first quarter) 6. A 21st birthday compliment to M. R. Meadows, captain.

**WIMBORNE, DORSET.**—At St. Giles' Church, on Dec. 28th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: D. Wilson 1, Ann M. Cox 2, J. Hartless 3, P. N. Tubbs 4, L. Cobb 5, J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 6.

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For many years a ringer at  
Hinton-on-the-Green, Mr. F.  
Barnes, celebrated with his  
wife their golden wedding. In honour of the  
event a peal of Plain Bob Major was rung at  
Hinton, in which his daughter and son-in-law  
participated.

Known to his ringing colleagues as 'the One  
Armed Bandit,' I. P. Unsworth has now rung  
a quarter peal with two hands.

At the age of 81 Mr. J. Smith Eastland has  
rung his first peal of Triples at Worksop.  
This was his second peal; his first was rung  
in 1913.

For the fourth year, but not in succession,  
Mr. G. E. Symonds and family have rung  
tunes on two octaves of handbells at the  
Christmas carol service in the Church of St.  
Mary-over-Stoke, Ipswich.

Two quarters have now been scored by the  
Holy Trinity Society, Wandsworth, which is  
progressing well in the field of change ringing.  
Any visitors will be welcome to ring on this  
fine Taylor octave (1923) on the practice nights  
—Tuesday, 6.30-8 p.m.

When a certain young lady at St. Giles',  
Newcastle, Staffs, made a mistake in some  
Stedman Doubles on a practice night she was  
jokingly given 50 lines—'I must learn to make  
a Stedman Single.' To everyone's surprise  
they were done—in English, French, German  
and Latin. She can make the Single now, too!

On December 28th, at St. Peter's, St. Albans,  
Mrs. K. M. Darvill rang a peal at her first  
attempt, 24 years after starting ringing. She  
was to have attempted one in 1940, but be-  
cause of the wartime ban on ringing this at-  
tempt could not take place. Also in the peal  
were her husband and two sons, one of whom  
was the conductor.

The quarter peal at Merriott, Somerset,  
should have had three ringers taking part who  
celebrated their birthday on December 22nd,  
but an hour before ringing Alan C. Best  
met with a minor road accident and was un-  
able to reach the tower. The conductor would  
like to thank Mr. H. E. Turner for standing  
in at short notice.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

It was significant that as  
the peal of Grandsire Cinques  
at St. Woolos' Cathedral,  
Newport, Mon. came into rounds, the lights  
in the public house opposite the Cathedral  
came on. This was Bill Hibbert's first at-  
tempt for a peal on the bells, where, in  
1895, his 'dear old dad' called the first  
Association peal on the original eight.

Mr. P. R. Harris, of Ipswich, would like  
to thank all those who were so hospitable dur-  
ing his stay at C.T.S. Stone, especially Mr.  
B. G. Key and Mr. R. Balls.

Mr. Howard Howell, of Penn, Wolverham-  
pton, scored his 600th peal when participating  
in the peal of Grandsire Triples at Willenhall,  
Staffs, on December 21st.

Mr. Frederick Sharpe's manuscript on Guern-  
sey bells is now with the printers and will be  
published in the New Year. He has visited  
all the 18 churches there and has photo-  
graphs and rubbings of most of the bells.

Wroxham (Norfolk) ringers have handed  
over £66 to the Parochial Church Council  
towards the cost of quarter-turning and adding  
near bearings to the bells. Money has been  
raised by handbell ringing, the sale of Christ-  
mas cards and the proceeds from a model  
railway.

Another generation of the famous ringing  
family of Pye made his appearance in our  
peal columns in the issue of December 20th.  
Fourteen-year-old William E. E. Pye, son of  
Mr. E. W. Pye, rang the fourth bell to a  
peal of Plain Bob Major at Grundisburgh.  
His achievement is all the more meritorious  
as he was handicapped earlier by polio, which  
left him with a partly crippled leg.

The House Magazine of I.C.T. for Decem-  
ber contains an article written by Miss Jean  
Sanderson entitled 'Ring Out, Ye Bells.' Jean  
justifies her position as a 'Ringing World'  
correspondent by an easy-to-read introduction  
to ringing, which she describes as 'an absorb-  
ing and very rewarding occupation.' Norton  
Church, where she is ringing instructor, and  
two other pictures give a personal interest to  
the article. Her post with I.C.T. (Engineering),  
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**TWELVE BELL PEALS**

EVESHAM, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS  
On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes,  
At the Bell Tower,

**A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES**

Tenor 35 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb.

GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. Treble	JOHN BRAIN .. .. 7
WALTER F. JUDGE .. .. 2	GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 8
EMLYN F. HANCOCK .. .. 3	EDGAR J. SMITH .. .. 9
*MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. 4	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. 10
†ERIC T. LEE .. .. 5	GERALD C. HEMMING .. 11
D. JOHN HUNT .. .. 6	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by GEOFFREY J. HEMMING.

\* 100th peal, and now completes method from Doubles to Cinques.  
† First on 12 bells. ‡ First of Stedman Cinques. 100th peal to be rung in the tower, the first having been rung by the College Youths on December 27th, 1889.

**WOLVERHAMPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.**

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD  
On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 3 Hours and 44 Minutes,  
At the Collegiate Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF 5081 GRANDSIRE CINQUES**

Tenor 33 cwt. 21 lb.

FREDERICK G. BEDDOW .. Treble	FRANCIS BROTHERTON .. 7
GEORGE W. HUGHES .. .. 2	JAMES S. EASTWOOD .. 8
REGINALD H. NEWTON .. 3	PHILIP J. EVANS .. .. 9
*GEORGE L. ROOBOTTOM .. 4	HOWARD HOWELL .. .. 10
BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. 5	HARRY GRIFFITHS .. .. 11
E. MARION KEY .. .. 6	*WILLIAM WATKIN .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

\* First peal on 12.

A 21st birthday compliment to Miss Frances Brotherton, daughter of the seventh ringer.

**LINCOLN.****THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 3 Hours and 33 Minutes,  
In St. Hugh's Tower of the Cathedral Church of the

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

**A PEAL OF 5115 STEDMAN CINQUES**

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

JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. Treble	WALTER TOMLINSON .. 7
JANE K. A. COOK .. .. 2	JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. 8
NORAH M. RANGLES .. .. 3	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. 9
CLAIRE DILLAMORE .. .. 4	JOHN WALDEN .. .. 10
ANDREW S. HUDSON .. .. 5	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. 11
PETER A. SHARP .. .. 6	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN E. CHILCOTT. Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

**NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.****THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,  
At the Cathedral Church of St. Woolos,

**A PEAL OF 5103 GRANDSIRE CINQUES**

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb. in E flat.

WILLIAM HIBBERT .. Treble	KENNETH J. HESKETH .. 7
DONALD G. CLIFT .. .. 2	*NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON .. 8
FREDERICK A. H. WILKINS .. 3	ROGER G. HAVARD .. .. 9
JOHN W. T. HIBBERT .. .. 4	DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. 10
*MAGNUS M. PETERSON .. 5	*TREVOR T. LEWIS .. .. 11
TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. .. 6	FRANCIS A. WHITE .. .. Tenor

Composed by ALBERT M. TYLER. Conducted by TUDOR P. EDWARDS.

\* First peal on 12.

**WAKEFIELD, YORKSHIRE.****THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Fri., Dec. 28, 1963, in 3 Hours and 41 Minutes,  
At the Cathedral Church of All Saints,

**A PEAL OF 5067 STEDMAN CINQUES**

Tenor 35½ cwt.

W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. Treble	JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK .. 7
IRIS LEMARE .. .. 2	FRED PRICE .. .. 8
RICHARD E. PRICE .. .. 3	GORDON BENFIELD .. .. 9
WILFRID F. MORETON .. 4	JOHN E. KIRBY .. .. 10
PETER WOODWARD .. .. 5	NORMAN CHADDOCK .. 11
J. MARTIN THORLEY .. .. 6	R. GORDON KIRBY .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS.  
Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.

**TEN BELL PEALS****DERBY.****THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Sat., Dec. 7, 1963, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,  
At the Cathedral Church of All Saints,

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 19 cwt. 2 lb. in D flat.

JOHN F. MURFIN .. Treble	DAVID W. PARKIN .. .. 6
JOSEPH C. WOOLLEY .. .. 2	MALCOLM P. PHIPPS .. 7
GORDON A. HALLS .. .. 3	DENNIS R. CARLISLE .. 8
DAVID W. FRIEND .. .. 4	PETER MARRIOT .. .. 9
WM. ARNOLD MORELEY .. 5	IAN M. HOLLAND .. .. Tenor

Composed by WM. PYE. Conducted by DAVID W. FRIEND.

**LLANDAFF, GLAMORGAN.****THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Mon., Dec. 23, 1963, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL.

**A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr. in E.

NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON .. Treble	*DONALD G. CLIFT .. .. 6
JACQUELINE S. KING .. .. 2	JOHN OWEN .. .. 7
ELIZABETH BROWN .. .. 3	ROGER G. HAVARD .. 8
TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. .. 4	DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. 9
MAGNUS PETERSON .. .. 5	DAVID J. KING .. .. Tenor

Conducted by TUDOR P. EDWARDS.

\* 300th peal. First of Yorkshire Royal by all except the sixth and the conductor. First of Yorkshire on the bells, and first of Surprise Royal by a S. Wales band.

**GREAT GRIMSBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.****THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Fri., Dec. 27, 1963, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. James.

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in E.

JOHN WALDEN .. Treble	JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. 6
JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. .. 2	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. 7
NORAH M. RANGLES .. .. 3	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. 8
JANE K. A. COOK .. .. 4	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. 9
JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. 5	PETER A. SHARP .. .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM PVE. Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

Rung to the memory of Ann Randles, mother of the ringer of the seventh, who was interred December 24th at Gresford, North Wales.

**BECCLES, SUFFOLK.****THE SUFFOLK GUILD.**

On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 3 Hours and 34 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael,

**A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Tenor 25½ cwt. in D flat.

*JANE V. COOPER .. Treble	*MICHAEL PARKER .. .. 6
EDWIN R. GOATE .. .. 2	*TERENCE G. PAGE .. .. 7
PATRICIA ROGERS .. .. 3	*RICHARD C. L. BROWN .. 8
OLIVE L. ROGERS .. .. 4	HAROLD W. ROGERS .. 9
CHRISTOPHER H. ROGERS .. 5	RALPH W. BICKERS .. .. Tenor

Composed by EDGAR GUISE. Conducted by EDWIN R. GOATE.

\* First peal in the method.  
Rung to welcome the Rev. Malcolm D. Sutton, whose induction as Rector took place earlier in the month.

**ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE.****THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF 5021 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Tenor 23 cwt.

HAROLD V. FROST .. Treble	†JONATHAN D. CHAMBERLAIN .. 6
HADLEY HUNTER .. .. 2	STEPHEN P. DARVILL .. 7
*KATHLEEN M. DARVILL .. 3	GEORGE W. DEBENHAM .. 8
†ANN C. CARDEN .. .. 4	REGINALD W. DARVILL .. 9
KENNETH J. DARVILL .. 5	ROBERT E. HARDY .. .. Tenor

Composed by G. W. DEBENHAM. Conducted by KENNETH J. DARVILL.

\* First peal. † First in the method. ‡ First 'inside' on ten bells.

First in the method as conductor.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS****HINTON-ON-THE-GREEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.****THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**

On Sat., Nov. 9, 1963, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 10½ cwt.

VIVIEN BARNES .. Treble	RALPH HARRIS .. .. 5
MRS. P. HARRIS .. .. 2	PATRICK HARRIS .. .. 6
MRS. J. THOMAS .. .. 3	WILLIAM J. NEWMAN .. 7
JOSEPH D. JOHNSON .. .. 4	JOSEPH E. NEWMAN .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by WILLIAM J. NEWMAN.

First peal as conductor.

Rung as a compliment to the conductor's grandparents (Mr. and Mrs. F. Barnes) on celebrating their golden wedding.

**DOWNTON, WILTSHIRE.****THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**

On Sat., Dec. 7, 1963, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Lawrence,

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 22 cwt.

MIDDLETON'S .. Treble	VICTOR G. ROBERTS .. 5
PERCIVAL H. HULL .. .. 2	DAVID T. H. ROBERTSON .. 6
GEORGE W. MASSEY .. .. 3	ERIC J. HITCHENS .. .. 7
RAYMOND E. J. BAKER .. 4	EDWARD J. CHIVERS .. .. Tenor
RONALD G. BECK .. .. 5	

Conducted by GEORGE W. MASSEY.



**HANDSWORTH, YORKSHIRE.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
(Sheffield District Society.)

On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary.

**A PEAL OF 5056 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**  
Tenor 12 cwt. in F sharp.

JOHN J. L. GILBERT .. .. Treble	CYRIL RUSBY .. .. 5
GEORGE CHALLANS .. .. 2	HAROLD WAGSTAFF .. .. 6
HERBERT T. ROOKE .. .. 3	IAN M. HOLLAND .. .. 7
FREDERICK J. JACKSON .. .. 4	JOHN E. TURLEY .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by IAN M. HOLLAND.

Rung in memory of Arnold Hill, of Workop, in his favourite method and in one of his favourite towers.

**NORTH MYMMS, HERTFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**  
Tenor 13 cwt.

*RICHARD W. C. PAPWORTH Treble	GEORGE A. SPENCER .. .. 5
ELSIE K. HART .. .. 2	PETER J. COLES .. .. 6
ROBERT F. GRISDALE .. .. 3	THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 7
H. GEORGE HART .. .. 4	ERIC EDMONSON .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE.

Conducted by THOMAS J. LOCK.

\* First peal.

Rung to welcome the Rev. Barry A. Tunstall as Vicar of North Myrms.

**LEICESTER.**  
**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
On Fri., Dec. 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints.

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 15 lb. in A.

JOHNSON'S variation.	ERNEST W. RAWSON .. .. 5
DAVID STAPLES .. .. Treble	DAVID G. FARRAR .. .. 6
A. JAMES POYNOR .. .. 2	RUSSELL S. MORRIS .. .. 7
DAVID WILFORD .. .. 3	SANDRA E. CHESTERTON .. Tenor
JOHN M. JELLEY .. .. 4	

Conducted by SANDRA E. CHESTERTON.

First peal as conductor in the method.

Rung as a birthday compliment to A. James Poynor.

**THURCASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
On Fri., Dec. 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,  
At the LATIMER Church of All Saints.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES**  
Tenor 10 cwt.

CHRISTINE J. HART .. .. Treble	RUPERT A. CLARKE .. .. 5
ROGER I. KENDRICK .. .. 2	B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. .. 6
*DAN S. PONT .. .. 3	DAVID F. MOORE .. .. 7
MICHAEL WHITE .. .. 4	FREDERICK T. BINDLEY .. Tenor

Composed by T. MORRIS.

Conducted by B. STEDMAN PAYNE.

\* First peal on eight tower bells.

**ADDERBURY, OXFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

**A PEAL OF 5088 ADDERBURY SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 24 cwt. 14 lb. in D.

*CHARLOTTE BENNETT .. .. Treble	MICHAEL W. COLEMAN .. .. 5
CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. .. 2	WILLIAM A. YATES .. .. 6
GEORGE E. GREEN .. .. 3	WILFRID G. WILSON .. .. 7
ROBERT A. REEVES .. .. 4	GEORGE W. HOLLAND .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by GEORGE W. HOLLAND.

\* First peal of Major. First in the method by all the band. First in the method on the bells.

**BILLINGBOROUGH, LINCOLNSHIRE.**  
**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Andrew.

**A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**  
Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. in A flat.

KEITH R. DAVEY .. .. Treble	ALBERT E. FLATTERS .. .. 5
ALAN G. PAYNE .. .. 2	FRANK TAYLOR .. .. 6
GEORGE R. G. BUTLER .. .. 3	DEREK J. JONES .. .. 7
HAROLD BARSLEY .. .. 4	ROGER D. BAILEY .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ROGER D. BAILEY.

**BOTTESFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**  
Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb.

J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part.	WILLIAM L. EXTON .. .. 5
*ANNE E. BAILESON .. .. Treble	COLIN W. REED .. .. 6
BERYL N. REED .. .. 2	ERNEST BRITTAIN .. .. 7
ELIZABETH A. TUTTY .. .. 3	HAROLD STEVENSON .. .. Tenor
*MARGARET E. CHILTON .. .. 4	

Conducted by WILLIAM L. EXTON.

\* First peal of Grandsire Triples. † 25th peal.

**CHISLEHURST, KENT.**

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas.

**A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in F.

C. THOMAS OSENTON .. Treble	R. WALTER HINDE .. .. 5
*K. MARGARET GUY .. .. 2	A. MAURICE MACVE .. .. 6
†J. DOUGLAS FAIRCLOTH .. 3	M. LEWIS HOWE .. .. 7
C. SYDNEY JARRETT .. .. 4	B. FRANK GROVES .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER.

Conducted by B. FRANK GROVES.

\* First peal of T.B. Major. † First in the method.

**DONCASTER, YORKSHIRE.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. George.

**A PEAL OF 5056 EASTCOTE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 30½ cwt.

JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK .. Treble	GORDON BENFIELD .. .. 5
HOWARD SCOTT .. .. 2	W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. .. 6
JEANNE A. BOTTOMLEY .. .. 3	VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. .. 7
DONALD H. NIBLETT .. .. 4	RICHARD E. PRICE .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

First peal in the method by the Association, and by all the band.

**OLD SWINFORD, STOURBRIDGE, WORCESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**  
On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary.

**A PEAL OF 5280 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**  
Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 12 lb. in F sharp.

MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. Treble	*C. ROGER TANDY .. .. 5
JOHN LLOYD .. .. 2	RAYMOND SMITH .. .. 6
CLIFFORD SKIDMORE .. .. 3	JOHN C. EISEL .. .. 7
YVONNE EDWARDS .. .. 4	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. Tenor

Arranged by BERNARD C. ASHFORD. Conducted by MICHAEL J. FELLOWS.

\* First peal of Major.

Rung to mark the 50th anniversary of the ringing of the 1,000th peal for the above Association, which was performed at this church on December 6th, 1913. Mr. C. W. Cooper, of Stourbridge, is the only survivor of the original band, it being his first peal. The method was also Plain Bob Major.

**WARBOROUGH, OXFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Laurence.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**  
Tenor 10 cwt. in G.

HELEN HOWES .. .. Treble	ROGER HEYWORTH .. .. 5
BARBARA BULLER .. .. 2	ROBERT A. PARTRIDGE .. .. 6
STEPHEN FRANKLIN .. .. 3	P. GERALD McILHON .. .. 7
*ANGELA M. AYRES .. .. 4	FRANK ABSOLAM .. .. Tenor

Composed by V. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by ANGELA AYRES.

\* First peal of Major. First as conductor.

**WILLENHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**  
On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 3 Hours,  
At the Church of St. Giles.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**  
Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr.

Parker's Twelve-Part (seventh obs.).	CYRIL GRIFFITHS .. .. 5
E. MARION KEY .. .. Treble	BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. 6
PAMELA KEY .. .. 2	JAMES S. EASTWOOD .. .. 7
ANTHONY HOWELL .. .. 3	JACK CRANMER .. .. Tenor
HOWARD HOWELL .. .. 4	

Conducted by JAMES S. EASTWOOD.

A compliment to Mrs. L. Reed, J.P., O.B.E., one time chairman of the Willenhall Urban District Council. The band would also like to associate the peal with the 81st birthday of Mr. C. Wallater, viceroy captain of this tower.

**WORKSOP, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.**  
**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,  
At the PRIORY Church of SS. Mary and Cuthbert.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**  
Tenor 12½ cwt.

Parker's Twelve-Part (seventh obs.).	*JOHN COATES .. .. 5
*DAVID A. WHEATON .. Treble	HERBERT T. ROOKE .. .. 6
MARY C. POYNER .. .. 2	†HARRY POYNER .. .. 7
HARRY SMART .. .. 3	*J. SMITH EASTLAND .. .. Tenor
GEORGE CHALLANS .. .. 4	

Conducted by HARRY POYNER.

\* First peal of Triples. † 300th peal. First peal on the bells since recasting. Rung with the best wishes of the band to Canon Foster.

**BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.**  
**THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. Mary and Lawrence.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**  
Tenor 14½ cwt.

DENNIS COOPER .. Treble	HAROLD WAGSTAFF .. .. 5
*JACQUELINE STEWART .. 2	MICHAEL COOPER .. .. 6
D. GRAHAM DAVISON .. 3	MALCOLM P. PHIPPS .. .. 7
*ROBERT CHAMBERS .. .. 4	ALAN KELLER .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN E. BURTON.

Conducted by ALAN KELLER.

Rung for the 20th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. S. Slaney.

\* First peal. First as conductor.



## BROMLEY, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

## A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb. in F.

PERCY J. SPICE .. .. Treble	R. THOMAS NEWMAN .. .. 5
MANWELL F. OAKSHETT .. .. 2	NICHOLAS J. MARTIN .. .. 6
D. PAUL SMITH .. .. 3	IAN H. ORAM .. .. 7
MARIA E. KIRBY .. .. 4	JOHN W. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Composed by F. NOLAN GOLDEN.

Conducted by IAN H. ORAM.

\* First peal in the method.

Congratulations to the ringer of the fourth upon her engagement to Peter T. Hurcombe, of Gloucester.

## LINCOLN.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.

## A PEAL OF 5088 KETTLETHORPE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 lb. in E.

JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. .. Treble	JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. .. 5
JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. .. 2	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. 6
JANE K. A. COOK .. .. 3	PETER A. SHARP .. .. 7
CLAIRE DILLAMORE .. .. 4	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

First peal in this method (H. and M. Collection, No. 0462).

## LYDD, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb. in F sharp.

ALAN R. BALDOCK .. .. Treble	NICHOLAS J. DAVIES .. .. 5
*ANN HARRIS .. .. 2	HERBERT W. WOOLVEN .. .. 6
*CHRISTINE M. FULLER .. .. 3	THOS. M. BARLOW .. .. 7
JOSEPHINE D. HARDY .. .. 4	IAN V. J. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN E. BURTON. Conducted by IAN V. J. SMITH.

\* First peal of Plain Bob Major. First of Major as conductor.

Rung for the Festival of Christmas.

## STAFFORD, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 3 Hours and 55 Minutes.

AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 11 lb. in E.

GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. Treble	*FRANK BEECH, JUN. .. .. 5
F. HECTOR BENNETT .. .. 2	RICHARD J. WARRILOW .. .. 6
CHARLES A. S. WEBB .. .. 3	*ROY K. MOWFORTH .. .. 7
*IAN FRIEND .. .. 4	DAVID W. FRIEND .. .. Tenor

Composed by SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD. Conducted by DAVID W. FRIEND.

\* First peal in the method.

## BRISTOL.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Dec. 27, 1963, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY AND UNDIVIDED TRINITY.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 lb. in E flat.

*DAVID C. J. PADFIELD .. Treble	PETER BRIDLE .. .. 5
MALCOLM M. POWELL .. .. 2	DON C. EXELL .. .. 6
MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. 3	PATRICK J. BIRD .. .. 7
ALAN TUBB .. .. 4	D. JOHN HUNT .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

\* First peal of Major.

## BENINGTON, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.

Cartier's Odd-Bob (One-Part).	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 5
JACK S. DEAR .. .. Treble	COLIN A. S. HARWOOD .. 6
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 2	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 7
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 3	F. JACK ROBINSON .. .. Tenor
JOHN G. GIPSON .. .. 4	

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

## KETTLETHORPE SURPRISE MAJOR

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## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## BOBBING, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 7, 1963, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being Morris' 240 and 40 extents. Tenor 9½ cwt. in A flat.

BRIAN R. TRILL .. .. Treble	LEONARD CROUCH .. .. 4
CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. 2	CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 5
DAVID S. OSENTON .. .. 3	LESLIE R. DOBBIE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON.

## MINSTER-IN-SHEPPEY, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 7, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND SEXBURGA.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In five methods, being ten extents of Stedman, eight each of St. Simon's and Plain Bob, four of St. Martin's, ten of Grandsire and Morris' 240. Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr.

CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. Treble	*DAVID S. OSENTON .. .. 4
TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. 2	CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. 5
BRIAN R. TRILL .. .. 3	LESLIE R. DOBBIE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by TREVOR A. CROSS.

\* First peal of Doubles.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Christopher T. Osenton.

## ST. BRIDE'S MAJOR, GLAMORGAN.

## THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Dec. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BRIDGET.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In seven methods/variations, being 360 each of April Day, Kennington, Clifford's Pleasure and Southrepps Pleasure, 960 each of Plain Bob and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and 14 six-scores of Grandsire. Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

*CHRISTOPHER RICKETTS .. Treble	†PAUL M. EVANS .. .. 4
*DAVID ROBINSON .. .. 2	ELLIS N. THOMAS .. .. 5
†GARETH H. JONES .. .. 3	†HOLO D. DAVIES .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ELLIS N. THOMAS.

\* First peal. † First in seven methods. First as conductor. First peal by the Cowbridge Grammar School band.

## BARTON SEAGRAVE, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Dec. 19, 1963, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 21 extents each of Reverse Canterbury and Grandsire. Tenor 9 cwt. in A.

*JOHN A. COOPER .. .. Treble	*WILLIAM H. HULME .. .. 3
*MICHAEL DOWNHAM .. .. 2	*LESLIE A. DUNMORE .. .. 4

MURRAY A. COLEMAN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MURRAY A. COLEMAN.

\* First peal. First of Doubles as conductor.

## STISTED, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Dec. 19, 1963, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents in 22 methods: (1) Beverley, Surfleet, York, Durham, Hexham, Berwick; (2) Chester, Munden, Alnwick, Newcastle; (3) London, Wells, Cuneacre; (4) Cambridge, Ipswich, Bourne, Hull, Primrose; (5) Westminster, Allendale, Fryerning; (6 and 7) Cambridge and Ipswich. Tenor 10 cwt.

JENNIFER M. DYE .. .. Treble	DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. 4
*ROBERT J. LINDSELL .. .. 2	ALAN R. SYDER .. .. 5
JOE E. G. ROAST .. .. 3	PATRICK W. SALTMARSH .. Tenor

Conducted by PATRICK W. SALTMARSH.

\* Most methods to a peal.

## BUCKDEN, HUNTINGDONSHIRE.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Tenor 15½ cwt.

*DAVID J. PRESCOTT .. .. Treble	*GEORGE E. BONHAM .. .. 3
AUDREY R. ALEXANDER .. .. 2	MARTIN MAJOR .. .. 4
PETER WOOLLIVEN .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by PETER WOOLLIVEN.

\* First peal. This was only the second peal on the bells; the first was rung in 1935.

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**GEDLING, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.**  
**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
*On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ALL HALLOWS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

Being six extents Morris' 240, 30 extents 120.

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb. in G.

RUTH BLACKSHAW .. .. Treble	MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 4
GEORGE A. DAWSON .. .. 2	JOHN R. PRATCHETT .. .. 5
DUDLEY SURMAN .. .. 3	*JACK DAWSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. PRATCHETT.

\* First peal. First on the bells.

A 21st birthday compliment to John T. Burnup, a Sunday service ringer.

**KIRKBY-IN-FURNESS, LANCASHIRE.**  
**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents.

*CLIFF NEWBY (13) .. .. Treble	ALAN CAPSTICK .. .. 4
NICHOLAS M. NEWBY .. .. 2	THOMAS F. METCALFE .. 5
*REV. CHARLES E. WHITAKER .. 3	NICHOLAS M. NEWBY, JUN. Tenor

Conducted by NICHOLAS M. NEWBY.

\* First peal attempt.

Rung on the 24th anniversary of the Ordination of the Rev. C. E. Whitaker, Vicar of St. Cuthbert's.

**LITTLE ASTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**  
*On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven extents. Tenor 9 cwt. 13 lb. in A.

*D. KAY MOORE .. .. Treble	†RICHARD G. PAXTON .. 4
*P. GEORGE GOLDER .. .. 2	MICHAEL W. FAIREY .. 5
*MARILYN C. SMITH .. .. 3	†EDWARD W. COLLEY .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL W. FAIREY.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal. ‡ Completes Cambridge from Minor to Maximus. First in the method as conductor.

Rung after the Holy Communion service for St. Thomas' Day.

**LOCKING, SOMERSET.**  
**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE.

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN DOUBLES**

15 callings. Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb.

*GEORGE PRESCOTT .. .. Treble	RONALD BALLAM .. .. 4
*MARJORIE LEGG .. .. 2	†ERIC T. LEE .. .. 5
††HECTOR G. BIRD .. .. 3	*SYDNEY G. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE PRESCOTT.

\* 25th peal together. † First of Doubles. ‡ Have now rung Stedman from Doubles to Cinques.

**LONG SUTTON, SOMERSET.**  
**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven extents. Tenor 17 cwt.

RONALD G. BECK .. .. Treble	*DAVID A. BURT .. .. 4
REV. CHRIS. MARSHALL .. 2	DAVID TARGETT .. .. 5
*DAVID ADNETT .. .. 3	EDWARD J. CHIVERS .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD J. CHIVERS.

\* First peal of Surprise.

**OWSTON FERRY, LINCOLNSHIRE.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being an extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, St. Clement's, Single Oxford, Double Oxford, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN F. UNDERWOOD .. Treble	KENNETH B. SISSONS .. 4
MELVYN A. ROSE .. .. 2	JOHN POITS .. .. 5
ALAN SHEPPARD .. .. 3	J. MARTIN THORLEY .. Tenor

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

The conductor's 250th peal for the Yorkshire Association.

**EVESBURY, HUNTINGDONSHIRE.**  
**THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent of St. Clement's and six of Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt.

*DAVID J. PRESCOTT .. .. Treble	*GEORGE E. BONHAM .. 4
DEREK P. JONES .. .. 2	PHILIP MEHEW .. .. 5
TERRY R. HATCHETT .. .. 3	PETER WOOLLVEN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER WOOLLVEN.

\* First peal of Minor.

**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**  
**THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Mon., Dec. 23, 1963, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being an extent each of Oxford T.B., Cambridge Surprise, Single Oxford, Double Oxford, Kent T.B., St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb.

*ROBERT RAYFIELD .. .. Treble	MARGARET GODFREY .. .. 4
PETER J. MILTON .. .. 2	†CHRISTOPHER H. MACVE .. 5
†ERIC G. H. GODFREY .. 3	ANDREW M. MACVE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ANDREW M. MACVE.

\* First peal in seven methods. † First peal. ‡ First in seven methods 'inside.' First in seven methods by the Sunday service band.

Rung by the Sunday service band as a farewell to Canon and Mrs. F. W. Greenaway upon their retirement to Folkestone after 19 years' service in the parish.

**BREDWARDINE, HEREFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 7½ cwt.

W. JOHN CLAYTON .. .. Treble	FREDERICK R. HARRIS .. 4
*MRS. E. CHANDLER .. .. 2	JOHN W. HOPE .. .. 5
COLIN A. LEWIS .. .. 3	ROBERT A. HATCHER .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT A. HATCHER.

\* 75th peal. First of Minor as conductor.

**LINTON, HEREFORDSHIRE.**

**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb. in A.

JOHN J. WEBB .. .. Treble	JOHN F. I. TURNEY .. .. 4
REGINALD POSTON .. .. 2	AUSTIN T. WINGATE .. 5
*PETER D. SELL .. .. 3	GEORGE T. COUSINS .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE T. COUSINS.

\* First peal on a working bell. First on the bells.

**PERSHORE, WORCESTERSHIRE.**

**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 14 extents each of Rev. Canterbury Pleasure, Grandsire and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

*MICHAEL J. BRISTOW .. Treble	ARTHUR JOPP .. .. 4
*IAN LLOYD .. .. 2	ARTHUR BERRY .. .. 5
*ANN E. COLLET .. .. 3	*EDWIN W. BICK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR BERRY.

\* First peal attempt. First as conductor.

Rung with the same methods to commemorate the first peal on the bells which was rung 50 years ago.

**LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.**

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 9 Hours and 44 Minutes.*

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

**A PEAL OF 21600 SPLICED TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Being 30 extents in 60 methods: (1) 432 London and 288 Wells Surprise, (2) 360 Lincoln and 360 Coldstream S., (3) 432 Rossendale and 288 Stamford S., (4) 432 Lightfoot and 288 Wearmouth S., (5) 360 Westminster and 360 Allendale S., (6) 432 York and 288 Durham S., (7) 360 Beverley and 360 Surfleet S., (8) 480 Cambridge and 240 Ipswich S., (9) 480 Wath and 240 Carisbrooke Delight, (10) 480 Pontefract and 240 Donotter Del., (11) 288 Oswald and 432 Barham Del., (12) 240 Dover and 480 Balmoral Del., (13) 480 Chepstow and 240 Skipton Del., (14) 480 Balmoral and 240 Fotheringay Del., (15) 240 Ely and 480 Wilmslow Del., (16) 480 Rostherne and 240 Knutsford Del., (17) 480 Wilmslow and 240 Bagedone Del., (18) 192 St. Werburgh, 168 Vale Royal, 168 Combermere, 72 Crowland and 120 Abbeyville Del., (19) 480 St. Werburgh and 240 Vale Royal Del., (20) 96 Wragby, 96 St. Albans, 144 Neasden, 144 Charlwood and 240 Braintree Del., (21) 480 Wragby and 240 St. Albans Del., (22) 192 Willesden, 192 Old Oxford, 48 College Bob IV, 48 Newdigate and 240 Marple Del., (23) 360 Willesden and 360 Old Oxford Del., (24) 120 Norbury, 120 College Exercise, 96 Duke of Norfolk, 144 Ockley and 240 Morning Star T.B., (25) 360 Norbury and 360 College Exercise T.B., (26) 360 Duke of Norfolk and 360 Ockley T.B., (27) 168 Kingston, 96 London Scholars' Pl., 144 Sandal, 72 Capel and 240 Oxford T.B., (28) 120 Kingston, 120 London Scholars' Pl. and 480 Oxford T.B., (29) 120 Sandal, 120 Capel and 480 Oxford T.B., (30) 288 Oxford and 432 Kent T.B., 193 changes of method: 261 Bobs. Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in B.

JOHN C. EISEL .. .. Treble	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 4
FRANK OSBALDISTON .. 2	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 5
NEIL BENNETT .. .. 3	ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

The greatest number of changes rung to a peal of Spliced and to a peal of Minor.



# FARBOROUGH, SOMERSET. THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Dec. 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents, each called differently.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb. in A.

JULIAN E. NEWMAN .. Treble	ALAN F. LEE .. .. . 4
*ALAN C. PERRY .. .. . 2	GEORGE J. HAWKINS .. .. 5
†KIT RUSSELL .. .. . 3	HAROLD L. PARFREY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE J. HAWKINS.

\* First peal. † First of Minor.

# RUMBURGH, SUFFOLK.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Fri., Dec. 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

AT THE PRIORY CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS AND ST. FELIX.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Comprising seven extents of Grandsire, five of St. Simon's Bob and six each of Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, St. Nicholas' Bob, St. Martin's, Bob and Winchendon Place Bob.

Tenor 10 cwt. in A.

THOMAS J. BROCK .. .. Treble	TERENCE G. PAGE .. .. 3
NORMAN P. J. COSSEY .. .. 2	RICHARD C. L. BROWN .. .. 4

TREVOR N. J. BAILEY .. Tenor

Conducted by TREVOR N. J. BAILEY.

# WELTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Dec. 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being extents of Double Oxford Bob, St. Clement's, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Single Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

PAUL CODDINGTON .. .. Treble	W. STANLEY SMITH .. .. 4
G. ANGUS DIXON .. .. . 2	W. ROBERT PARKER .. .. 5
CHARLES V. CADE .. .. . 3	LOUIS WILLIERS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by G. ANGUS DIXON.

A Christmastide peal.

# HANDBELL PEALS

## LEICESTER.

### THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Nov. 26, 1963, in 1 Hour and 58 Minutes.

AT THE WAYSIDE, 150, NARBOROUGH ROAD SOUTH.

## A PEAL OF 5120 FORDHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

Middleton's. Tenor size 15 in C.

JOHN A. ACRES .. .. . 1-2	*JOHN M. JELLEY .. .. 5-6
PETER J. STANFORTH .. .. 3-4	ALFRED BALLARD .. .. 7-8

Conducted by PETER J. STANFORTH.

\* 100th peal on handbells. First in the method for the Guild, and on handbells.

## LEICESTER.

### THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

On Sun., Dec. 1, 1963, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes.

AT THE WAYSIDE, 150, NARBOROUGH ROAD SOUTH.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE ROYAL

Being 2,800 changes of Yorkshire and 2,240 of Cambridge; with 27 changes of method. Tenor size 15 in C.

JOHN A. ACRES .. .. . 1-2	JOHN M. JELLEY .. .. 5-6
PETER J. STANFORTH .. .. 3-4	ALFRED BALLARD .. .. 7-8

ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. 9-10

Conducted by PETER J. STANFORTH.

First peal of Spliced Surprise Royal to be rung on handbells.

# LEVERSTOCK GREEN, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Dec. 22, 1963, in 3 Hours,

IN THE SCHOOL.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor size 22 in C.

GERALD PENNEY .. .. . 1-2	MARTYN L. J. JORDAN .. 5-6
*JULIA A. FELLOWS .. .. 3-4	WALTER AYRE .. .. . 7-8
MICHAEL D. FROST .. .. . 9-10	

Composed by H. J. TUCKER.

Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

\* First peal of Royal 'in hand.'

A birthday compliment to Miss Marion Penney.

# QUARTER PEALS

**CHALFONT ST. PETER, BUCKS.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Anne Dubarry 1, S. Lilly 2, Mrs. E. G. Swift 3, M. Damerell 4, E. G. Swift 5, C. J. Shepherd 6. Jointly conducted by 5 and 6. A silver wedding compliment to Ted and Doris Briden.

**CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: M. J. Bura 1, J. H. Payton (cond.) 2, J. E. Clark 3, M. D. Fuller 4, J. F. Payne 5, R. W. Meadows 6. For midnight service.

**CHIPPENHAM, WILTS.**—At St. Andrew's on Dec. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Heath 1, Mrs. C. Purnell 2, D. Gaisford 3, F. Box 4, H. Fell 5, R. J. Purnell (50th quarter as cond.) 6, C. Jones 7, D. Comley 8. For Confirmation by the Bishop of Malmesbury.

**COMPTON BISHOP, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Doubles (Union and Stedman): J. Brinson 1, J. Loxton 2, A. J. Peters 3, H. Spencer 4, H. Hooper (cond.) 5, J. Phillips 6. For children's gift service.

**ELSTOW, BEDS.**—On Dec. 22nd, 720 Mixed St. Clement's and Plain Bob and 540 Single Oxford Bob Minor: G. Seth 1, Miss M. Pettitt 2, M. Marriott 3, S. R. Huckle 4, R. French 5, R. F. Law (cond.) 6. First in three methods by all the band. Also on Dec. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss M. Pettitt 1, Miss S. Law 2, G. Seth 3, R. F. Law 4, R. French (cond.) 5. First of Grandsire Doubles 1, 2 and 4.

**EPSOM COMMON, SURREY.**—On Dec. 18th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: Rosalind Gibson (first quarter) 1, D. Herschell (cond.) 2, W. Parrott 3, Sylvia Marsh 4, D. J. F. Oakshott 5, J. Munton 6.

**FROME, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. G. Massey 1, W. H. Mills 2, Frances M. Massey 3, B. A. Payne 4, P. Bray 5, G. W. Massey 6, R. E. J. Baker (cond.) 7, H. Vennell 8. For Confirmation service.

**GOODRICH, HEREFORDS.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): R. D. Brown 1, P. G. Dixon (first 'inside') 2, G. T. Cousins 3, R. Poston 4, J. F. I. Turney (cond.) 5, P. W. Walsom 6. First quarter 1 and 6. For Evensong.

**LEIGHTON BUZZARD, BEDS.**—On Dec. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Rita Dudley (first on 8) 1, A. Jeffs 2, Mary Farr (first Grandsire 'inside') 3, K. Jackson 4, H. B. Whitney (cond.) 5, Valerie Willard 6, P. Williams 7, R. Woodruff 8.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Doubles (in three methods): A. Neilson 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, Myrtle Cook 3, H. P. Yates 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, R. P. Brotherton 6. For Evensong. Also on Dec. 24th, 1,300 Doubles (in three methods): A. Neilson 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, R. P. Brotherton 3, H. P. Yates 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, T. C. Uden 6. For midnight service. Also on Dec. 25th, 1,320 Doubles (in six methods): Elizabeth Todd 1, Myrtle Cook 2, R. P. Brotherton 3, H. P. Yates 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, M. Malcomson 6. For Matins.

**MERRIOTT, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,280 Grandsire Doubles: H. E. Turner 1, D. R. Best 2, J. Cornelius (cond.) 3, P. Hugget 4, S. A. Turner 5, 1. Best 6. Birthday compliments to 2 and 3 and Alan C. Best.

# LATE NOTICES

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Peak District. — Annual meeting, Fairfield, Saturday, January 18th, 3 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. E. Ellison, 70 Kings Road, Fairfield, Buxton. 3925

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Hunts District.—Annual meeting, Huntingdon, Saturday, January 18th. Ringing arrangements:—Godmanchester (8) 3-4 p.m., Huntingdon All Saints' (6) 3.45-4.30. Service All Saints' 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. All Saints' (6) and St. Mary's (8) after tea. 3929

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—Annual district meeting, January 18th. St. Peter's, St. Albans. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Cathedral bells evening. S.M.: Yorkshire. Names, please, to Mrs. R. Darvill, 28, Jennings Road, St. Albans.—Mary A. Coburn, Dis. Sec. 3927

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Market Harborough District. — The annual district meeting will be held at Kibworth, Saturday, January 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting 4.45 p.m., St. Wilfred Hall. —L. W. Allen, Dis. Sec. 3926

**SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—Annual general meeting, Prittlewell (10), Saturday, January 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to P. Stoman, 26, Ennismore Gardens, Southend-on-Sea. 3924

## HALF PEAL

**LOCKING, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 3rd, 2,520 Doubles (seven methods): J. Lampard 1, Marjorie Legg 2, June Legg 3, J. Coombs 4, G. Prescott (cond.) 5, R. Barks 6.

**BANWELL, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. W. Rice (first quarter) 1, W. S. Rice (first 'inside' Triples) 2, J. Creber 3, J. Burroughs 4, J. Cawood 5, J. Walton 6, P. Ham (first as cond.) 7, S. Body 8.

**BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICS.**—On Dec. 18th, 1,260 Doubles (seven methods): J. Preston 1, D. S. Pent 2, R. A. Clarke 3, D. F. Moore 4, B. S. Payne (cond.) 5, J. C. S. Scott 6. Rung for the Humphrey Perkins School Carol Service by the School Society.

**CARDIGAN.**—On Dec. 23rd, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Sian Evans 1, S. Thomas (first 'inside') 2, A. F. Walters (first as cond.) 3, J. D. Thomas 4, R. Pateman 5, P. Griffiths 6. For Christmas.

## UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY

Dinner Day, January 25th, 1964.

Arrangements are as follows:

Emmanuel, Clifton. 9.30-10.30 a.m.

St. Mary Magdalene, Stoke Bishop. 10-11 a.m.

St. Stephen's, City. 10.30-11.30 a.m.

St. James', Central, 11.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m.

Cathedral. 2-3 p.m.

St. John-on-the-Wall. 3-4 p.m.

St. Mary Redcliffe. 3-4.30 p.m.

Christ Church, City. 4-5 p.m.

St. Michael's, City. 5.15-6.15 p.m.

General meeting (St. Michael's Scout Hut) 5 p.m.

Service 6.15 p.m.

Dinner 7.15 for 7.45 p.m.

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RILEY.—To Bill and Elaine (née Richardson), at the Robson Maternity Home, on December 22nd, 1963, a son, Simon William. 3904

### ENGAGEMENT

THOMAS—RUSSELL.—The engagement is announced between Michael J. Thomas, of Southampton, and Margaret A. Russell, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Russell, of Dell Road, Southampton. 3906

### RETURN THANKS

Mrs. Tomlinson and daughter, of 97, Avenue Road, Southgate, N.14, wish to thank all ringing friends for their kind messages of sympathy in the loss of Norman Arthur Tomlinson on December 16th, 1963. 3896

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

FOSKETT.—The address of Mr. S. Foscett (late of 38, Miller Road, Bedford) is now 6, Charles Street, Arnold, Nottingham. 3917

MUIRHEAD.—From January 30th the address of Hilary Muirhead will be Department of Chemistry, Harvard University, 12, Oxford Street, Cambridge, 38, Massachusetts, U.S.A. 3867

### PERSONAL

'But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another.' (Galatians v. 15.)

Would R. Hodister, Staffs, please send his address to A. Osbaldiston, Kinder, Pinkham Lane, Cleobury Mortimer, Kidderminster, Worcs. 3880

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PRACTICE at Shalford, Surrey, on Thursday, January 16th. Methods: Double Norwich. Bristol. Lincolnshire. London. Ealing. 3887

WALTON-ON-THAMES.—Ringing resumed Sundays. Friday practice, 8 till 9 p.m.—V. Lathbury. 3889

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### MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Frome Branch.—Annual meeting. Chewton Mendip on Saturday, January 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Usual arrangements. Names for tea to Mr. H. Baber, Barrow Farm, Chewton Mendip. —E. Chivers, Chilcompton. 3825

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade District.—Annual meeting at Biggleswade (8), Saturday, January 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Further ringing until 8.30 p.m. Everyone welcome.—M. Major, Dis. Sec. 3827

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Macclesfield Branch.—Annual meeting, St. Michael's (12), Saturday, January 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Nearby cafes for tea. 3796

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Warwick Branch.—Meeting at Lillington, January 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Evening ringing, All Saints', Leamington, from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea by January 9th to I. C. Maycock, 109, Heathcote Road, Whitnash, Leamington Spa (26785). 3859

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Chesterfield District.—Monthly meeting at Staveley on Saturday, January 11th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. D. Smith, 73, Railway Cottages, Staveley. —Malcolm Phipps, Sec. 3844

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cambridge District.—Annual meeting in Cambridge on Saturday, January 11th. Bells: St. Bene's (6), 3-4 p.m.; St. Andrew's (8), 4.30 and after tea. Service at St. Andrew's at 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—E. W. Bullman, Dis. Sec. 3851

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—Annual meeting, Walsoken, Saturday, January 11th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to M. Reed, 48, Mount Drive, Wisbech.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 3863

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—The annual meeting will be held at Coggeshall on Saturday, January 11th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea to Mr. C. Turner, Starling Lee Cottage, Feeringbury, Kelvedon. 3788

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.W. District.—Annual District meeting will be held at Harlow (8) on Saturday, January 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m.—G. Blake, Roydon Hamlet, Harlow, Essex. Roydon 2247. 3852

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Annual meeting at Barking, January 11th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to A. W. Beard, 159, Clements Road, East Ham, E.6. 3803

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Annual general meeting at Chertsey on Saturday, January 11th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. approx. Names for tea to Mrs. Z. Jesney, 93, Abbeville Road, Chertsey. 3792

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Ross District.—Annual meeting will be held at Ross on Saturday, January 11th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m., followed by tea and meeting.—J. J. Webb, 23, Alton Street, Ross-on-Wye. 3877

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Quarterly meeting at Biddenden, Saturday, January 11th. Bells (8, 23 cwt.) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 n.m. Names for tea to Miss C. Wood, 20, The Meadows, Biddenden. Good attendance, together with subscriptions for year, specially requested.—C. T. H. 3798

LADIES' GUILD.—North Eastern District.—Meeting, St. Mary's, Gateshead, Saturday January 11th, 2.30 p.m. start. Names for tea to Miss M. Thow, 32, Raby Street, Gateshead 8, Co. Durham. 3920

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LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Central Branch.—Annual meeting, Harmston, Saturday, January 11th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Methods: Double Norwich and Glasgow. Names for tea to S. A. Chambers, Hon. Sec., 64, Goldsmith Walk, Lincoln. 3855

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Nominations meeting, Saturday, January 11th, Southwark Cathedral bells 4.15 p.m. Evensong 5 p.m. Own arrangements for tea. Business meeting 6.30 p.m. Foster Hall, Chapter House.—M. Powell, Kelvin 2390.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—North and East District.—Meeting, Saturday, January 11th, at Wood Green. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea, business and evening ringing.—E. H. Kilby, Dis. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Newbury Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Kintbury, Saturday, January 11th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to R. Radbourne, Church Street, Kintbury, Newbury. 3868

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Kettering Branch.—A.G.M., Burton Latimer, January 11th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea essential to G. E. Watson, 9, Cranford Road. All welcome.—M. A. C.

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bingham District.—Annual meeting at Bingham, January 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to W. L. Exton, 'St. Owen's,' Whatton.—R. Blackshaw, Dis. Sec. 3866

SUFFOLK GUILD.—North West District.—Ringing meeting at Elveden (8), Saturday, January 11th. Bells 2.30 to 9 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. J. Paul, 27, Brandon Road, Elveden, near Thetford. 3820

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—Practice meeting at Goring (6) on Saturday, January 11th. Bells 3 to 4 p.m. Service 5. 5.30 p.m. bells available. Please make own arrangements for tea.—E. W. Keys, Hon. Sec. 3923

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Andover District.—Annual meeting, Whitechurch (8), January 11th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. in Parish Room. Names for tea to Mr. E. Dance, Bere Hill Farm, Whitechurch. Bells available after tea. 3833

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Portsmouth District.—Annual general meeting, Portsmouth Cathedral, January 11th. Bells 3 till 8.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Cathedral House, 5.15 p.m. Names for tea to Miss Lloyd, Provost's Secretary, Cathedral Office, St. Thomas' Street, Portsmouth, please.—L. Duguid. 3826

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—A special meeting to discuss the revision of rules will be held at 'The Rising Sun,' Carter Lane, E.C., on Saturday, January 18th, at 6 p.m.—John Chilcott. 3808



**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION**—Chew Branch.—Practice meeting at Portbury (6). Saturday, January 18th. Bells available 5 p.m.—D. G. Yeo, Hon. Branch Sec. 3907

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION**—Glastonbury Branch.—Annual meeting, Saturday, January 18th, Wells St. Cuthbert's. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Names for tea, please, by Tuesday, 14th.—P. Hull, Dinder, Wells. 3872

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION**—Taunton Branch.—Practice meeting, Bishop's Lydeard (8). January 18th. Bells 7 p.m.—A. H. Reed, George Street, Taunton. 3911

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**—Crewe Branch.—Annual meeting, Crewe, January 18th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by January 15th.—W. Kerr, 107, Moreton Road, Crewe, Cheshire. 3892

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**—Wirral Branch.—Eastham, January 18th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea provided free for those notifying, by Thursday previous, Alexander J. Martin, 28, Glenmore Road, Oxtun, Birkenhead. 3915

**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD**—Quarterly meeting at Chilvers Coton on Saturday, January 18th. Bells available from 2.45 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Names for tea to Mrs. D. E. Beamish, 21, Gipsy Lane, Nuneaton. Phone Nuneaton 3296 by January 16th at latest.—J. L. Garner-Hayward, Hon. Sec. 3895

**DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Western District.—Meeting at Blackhill, Saturday, January 18th. Bells (8) of St. Mary's (R.C.) 2-4 p.m. Bells (8) of St. Aidan's 3.15 and after tea. Tea 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to C. T. Lamb, 26, St. Mary's Crescent, Blackhill, Consett. 3878

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION**—Chippenham Branch.—Meeting, January 18th, Sutton Benger. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in the Vicarage for those whose names are received by Thursday, January 16th.—H. Heath, 89, London Road, Chippenham. 3891

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION**—Forest of Dean Branch.—Meeting, Saturday, January 18th, at Blaisdon. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea.—Mrs. J. Tyler, Furnace Lane, Newent. 3901

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION**—Stroud Branch.—Meeting at Chalford, January 18th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea after service. Names by January 15th.—S. T. Price, 12, Regent Street, Stonehouse, Glos. 3900

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Guildford District.—Annual meeting, Saturday, January 18th. Ringing at Holy Trinity 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Ringing after business meeting at St. Nicolas'. Names for tea without fail by Wednesday, 16th, to Mr. Ponting, Highdown, Milford Heath, Milford. 3888

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Bishop's Stortford District.—Annual meeting at Braughing, January 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Ringing at Standon in the evening. Names for tea to Mr. P. J. Glazebrook, Dis. Sec., 11, Friars Road, Braughing, Ware, Herts. 3902

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Eastern District.—Annual meeting, Saturday, January 18th, at Hertford. Ringing 3-4.30 p.m. and after meeting at All Saints'. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Names for tea, please, to Mr. J. Kemp, 13, Nelson Street, Hertford.—T. J. Southam. 3879

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Maidstone District.—Quarterly meeting, Staplehurst, January 18th (note the date). Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss F. Tomlin, 'Lime Trees', Staplehurst.—T. A. Cross, Dis. Sec. 3811

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Rochester District.—Quarterly meeting at Gillingham on Saturday, January 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea for those who notify Mr. R. D. Chapman, 41, Bettescombe Road, Rainham, Gillingham, by the previous Monday (January 13th).—L. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec. 3838

**LADIES' GUILD**—North-Western District.—The annual meeting is to be held in Manchester on Saturday, January 18th (jointly with the Manchester Branch of the LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION). Town Hall bells from 2.30 p.m. Meeting in Committee Room No. 3, 3.30 p.m. Dedication of Derek Ogden Memorial Library in Cathedral belfry 5. Tea 5.30. Cathedral bells from 6 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mr. F. Barraclough, 11A, Wilington Road, Eccles. 3921

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Manchester Branch.—Annual meeting in Manchester on Saturday, January 18th. Bells available: Town Hall 2.30-4.30. Cathedral from 6 p.m. Dedication of Derek Ogden Memorial Library in Cathedral belfry at 4.30 p.m. Tea in Cathedral Refectory at 5.30 p.m. Names to Miss M. Walshaw, 40, New Tree Lane, Poynton, Cheshire. Phone Poynton 4288, by Wednesday, January 15th. Business meeting after tea. 3836

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**—West Lindsey Branch.—Annual meeting, Gainsborough, Saturday, January 18th. Bells afternoon until 5.45, followed by service and tea 6.30 p.m. (for those who notify me by previous Tuesday). The film 'Ringers Required' will be shown after the business meeting.—Geo. L. A. Lunn, Crow Garth, Lea, Gainsborough. Tel. 2623. 3786

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—S.W. District.—Annual meeting on January 18th at Heston. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m., followed by business and further ringing. Names for tea to Miss F. Pocock, 22, Bulstrode Avenue, Hounslow.—F. T. Blagrove. 3883

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Northern Branch.—Annual Branch meeting, Saturday, January 18th, at St. John-de-Sepulchre. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and meeting at the Chantry Rooms. Ringing at St. Giles' in the evening. Names for tea to Mrs. Golden, 26, Brabazon Sec. 3817

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Sonning Deanery Branch.—A combined practice will be held at Twyford on January 18th at 6 p.m. Special method: Cambridge Surprise.—B. C. Castle. 3903

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Oundle Branch.—Annual meeting, January 18th at Warmington. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by 14th instant to A. H. Hinton, Police Station, Warmington. 3876

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Rutland Branch.—Annual meeting, Oakham, Saturday, January 18th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to W. C. A. Clark, Sec., Middle Street, Wing, Oakham. 3890

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**—Marlborough Branch.—Meeting, Saturday, January 18th, Mildenhall. Names for tea to Mr. G. Brown, Audley House, High Street, Marlborough, Wilts. 3897

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**—Dorchester Branch.—Annual meeting, St. Peter's, Dorchester, on Saturday, January 18th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. in All Saints' Church House, followed by meeting. Further ringing until 9 p.m. Fordington St. George's (6) also available. Names for tea by Wednesday, January 15th, to R. H. Duke, Hon. Sec., 1, Came View Road, Dorchester, Dorset. (Tel. 158.) 3850

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLANDS**—Annual meeting, Saturday, January 18th. St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, 2.30-3.30 p.m.; St. Clement Danes', 3.30-5. Tea. St. Martin-in-the-Fields crypt, 5.15 p.m. Business meeting at Fellowship Hall, St. Martin-in-the-Fields, afterwards. Names for tea. Annual dinner, February 1st, Church House, Westminster. Tickets (1 guinea) available.—F. J. Matthews, 145, Wimbledon Park Road, Southfields, S.W.18. 3884

**SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS**—Annual meeting, January 18th, 3 p.m. at St. Mary's, 6 p.m. at St. Peter's. Business meeting at St. Mary's, approx. 4.30 p.m. Please attend.—Sec. 3916

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**—Newark District.—Annual District meeting at Newark on Saturday, January 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting 5 o'clock. Names by previous Wednesday to Mr. F. W. Midwinter, 19, Clarke Avenue, Newark.—B. N. Reed. 3881

**STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY**—Meeting at St. Paul's, Burton-on-Trent, Saturday, January 18th. Bells (10) available 3-4.25 and 6-8 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea, please, no later than January 15th to C. M. Smith, 'Roisselle', Walsall Road, Lichfield, Staffs.—C. M. S., Hon. Sec. 3874

**SURREY ASSOCIATION**—Southern District.—Annual District meeting at Reigate, January 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea at St. Mark's Hall, Alma Road. Names for tea to me at 40, Woodside Way, Redhill, before January 16th.—G. A. West, Hon. Sec. 3812

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Southern Division.—Practice meeting, Southover (10), January 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Special method: Grandsire Caters. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierpoint. 3918

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Southampton District.—Annual meeting at Romsey, January 18th. Bells 3 p.m. and after tea. Service 4. Tea 4.45 p.m. Names for tea by January 15th to Mr. J. Page, 'Fairacres', Woodley Lane, Romsey.—Michael J. Thomas, Dis. Sec. 3905

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Northern Branch.—Meeting at Netherton, Saturday, January 18th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Names by Thursday, January 15th, please.—Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., 17, Ham Lane, Pedmore, Stourbridge, Worcs. 3861

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Next general meeting will be held at Hull on January 18th. Bells available: Kirk Ella (6), 1-2.30 p.m.; Cottingham (8), 2-3; Holy Trinity, Hull (12), 3-9 p.m. General Committee meet in the Choir School Hall (south side of church) 3.15 p.m. Choral Evensong in the Choir at 4 p.m. Address by the Bishop of Hull. Tea at 5 p.m. at Kardomah Restaurant, Friargate, followed by general meeting in the Choir School Hall. Names for tea to Mr. D. V. Stipetic, c/o Holy Trinity Church, Kingston-upon-Hull, not later than January 15th.—L. W. G. Morris, Gen. Sec., 65, Lilycroft Road, Bradford 9. 3852

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION**—Axbridge Branch.—Annual meeting at Weston-super-Mare, Saturday, January 25th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business.—M. Legg, Hon. Branch Sec.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Luton District.—Annual meeting, Luton, Saturday, January 25th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Short service 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m. Business in belfry afterwards. Names for tea by 23rd to Mr. Basil Hulatt, 87, St. Monica's Avenue, Luton.—K. G. Spavins, Dis. Sec. 3873

**DEVON GUILD**—South-West Branch.—Annual meeting, Plymouth St. Andrew's, January 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by January 20th to T. G. Myers, 79, Regent Street, Plymouth.

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Farnham District.—Annual District meeting at Farnham (8) on January 25th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5.15 p.m. at the Queen of Hearts. Notifications for tea to Mr. C. W. Denyer, 15, Crondall Lane, Farnham, Surrey, by previous Wednesday.—D. P. Elsmore, Dis. Sec. 3865

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Canterbury District.—Quarterly meeting, St. Stephen's, Canterbury, Saturday, January 25th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea. Parish Hall at 2s. 6d. per person. Names, together with cash, by January 22nd to Miss E. Dixon, c/o Christ Church College, Canterbury, Kent. 3789

**LADIES' GUILD**—South Wales District.—Annual District meeting, Swansea, January 25th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Gentlemen welcome. Names, please, to Mrs. Whitworth, 3, Lon Derw, Tycoch, Swansea.—J. S. King. 3899

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**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**—Salisbury Branch.—Annual meeting, January 25th. St. Thomas', Salisbury. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting. Cathedral Hotel. 4.45 p.m. Bells: St. Thomas' after meeting; St. Paul's, 2.30-3.45 and evening. Names for tea by Tuesday, 21st, please, to Miss Eloie, Branch Sec., 8, Albany Road, Salisbury. 3845

**SOUTH DEVON ASSOCIATION**—Annual meeting in Upton Church Hall, Torquay, Saturday, January 25th. Tea and bells available afterwards. Numbers for tea to B. E. Bartlett, 17, Ash Hill Road, Torquay.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION**—Northern District.—Annual general meeting, January 25th, Thames Ditton. Bells 3-4 p.m. Service at Kingston-upon-Thames 4.30. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea to Miss M. Lewis, 28, Ewell Road, Surbiton, Surrey, by January 22nd. Kingston bells after meeting.—N. Steere, Assn. Sec. 3869

**SUFFOLK GUILD**—Central District.—A.G.M. at Eye on January 25th. Bells (8) from 2.30-9 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting 5.45 p.m., at which the support of all members is requested. Names for tea by Wednesday, 22nd, to Mr. L. E. Last, Low Street, Hoxne, Diss, Norfolk. 3913

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**—North Lindsey Branch.—Annual general meeting at Scunthorpe on Saturday, February 1st. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to Mr. F. Lord, 107, Bushfield Road, Scunthorpe.—C. A. H. 3922

#### ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

Will members please note that this year's Provincial Meeting will be held in Cardiff on Saturday, June 6th, the programme to include business meeting, luncheon and ringing at Newport, Llandaff and Cardiff.

Full details will be published later.  
—John Chilcott. 3810

#### LATE NEWS

We are pleased to learn that Mr. Tom Myers, of Plymouth, has been discharged from hospital and hopes soon to take up things from where he left off nearly three months ago.

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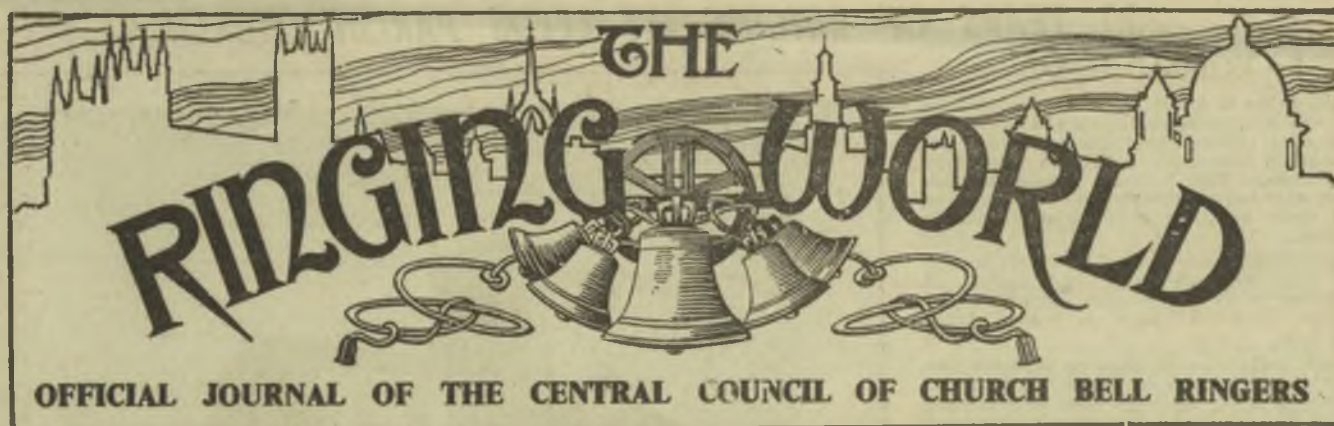
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## A BELLFOUNDING TRANSACTION IN 1312

A RECENT perusal of some of the published archives of the City of London yielded an interesting item concerning bells. It would appear that, in mediæval times, the potters or makers of metal pots in some cases carried on the business of bell founding. Perhaps some of the unkind critics of the tone of their bells affected to detect some resemblance to the noise given out by their pots!

However, we learn from a translation of an entry in Latin that in 1312 (in the time of Edward II) an agreement was recorded between Richard de Wymbisshe, potter and citizen of London, and Sir Ralph, Prior of the Church of Holy Trinity in Aldgate and the Convent of that place, for the making of 'one bell, good, entire and well-sounding, and as nearly in tune, to the utmost of his power, with the greater bell of the church aforesaid. And the said bell was to weigh 2,820 pounds of good and belitting metal, every hundredweight thereof containing 112 pounds; the same to be ready by the feast known as St. Peter's Chains (August 1st) next ensuing.' It is evident that the good prior knew what he wanted and laid down quite a rigid specification.

By way of bond, or recognisance, the Prior agreed that he would 'redeliver unto the said Richard the great bell which he had formerly made for the use of him and his Convent, so soon as the same Richard should commence founding the bell aforesaid, upon view by the Lord Prior, or of such of his people as he should appoint.'

It is pleasing to note that Alan de Middleton, Canon and Saint, subsequently acknowledged that Richard had fully satisfied them as to his workmanship. The Priory of Holy Trinity stood just north of Aldgate, in what is now Mitre Square, and the site is covered by the warehouse and offices of the International Tea Co., on the wall of which a plaque records the fact. We may speculate as to what became of the bells, but as we know that the site was granted to Sir Thos. Audley no doubt the building suffered the same fate as most monastic houses at the Dissolution in 1531, when the materials of stone, glass, etc., were sold after demolition and used by the Tudor nobility in the erection of magnificent new houses.

It would be interesting to know if Richard de Wymbisshe is the earliest London founder of whom we have knowledge, and perhaps someone among your readers can inform us. However, as Aldgate is within a very short distance, of Whitechapel, it is reasonable to assume that bell founding was carried on in this district before the establishment of the present Whitechapel Foundry in 1570.

CYRIL W. HANCOCK,

## LONGEST PEALS ON ALL NUMBERS OF BELLS

Doubles.—12,600 four methods Doubles, Marston, Oxford, 7-4-1958, in 6 hours 20 minutes.

Minor.—21,600 60-Spliced Treble Bob Minor, Loughborough Bell Foundry, 18-12-1963, in 9 hours 44 minutes.

Triples.—(?).

Major.—40,320 Plain Bob Major, Loughborough Bell Foundry, 27-28-7-1963, in 17 hours 58½ minutes.

Caters.—21,363 Stedman Caters, Appleton, Berks, 22-4-1922, in 12 hours 25 minutes.

Royal.—16,920 Yorkshire Surprise Royal, Worsley, Lancs, 23-12-1961, in 11 hours 14 minutes.

\*Cinques.—13,001 Grandsire Cinques, Painswick, Glos, 14-2-1920, in 8 hours 45 minutes.

Maximus.—15,312 Cambridge Surprise Maximus, Ashton-under-Lyne, 5-8-1929, in 11 hours 23 minutes.

\*Also a false peal of 17,687 Grandsire Cinques at Painswick, 8-11-1930, in 11 hours 36 minutes.

## HANDBELLS

Doubles.—15,000 25 methods Doubles, London, 14-11-1962, in 5 hours 58 minutes.

Minor.—15,840 Plain Bob Minor, Putney, London, 20-2-1963, in 6 hours 12 minutes.

Triples.—5,040 (?).

Major.—15,904 Plain Bob Major, Marple, Cheshire, 22-12-1962, in 7 hours 40 minutes.

Caters.—19,738 Stedman Caters, Guildford, Surrey, 31-8-1912, in 9 hours 32 minutes.

Royal.—15,840 Plain Bob Royal, Bournemouth, 17-10-1953, in 8 hours 2 minutes.

Cinques.—6,063 Stedman Cinques, (Middlesex County Association), 23-3-1913.

Maximus.—5,280 Cambridge Surprise Maximus, Leicester, 28-9-1947 (and others).

Sextuples.—5,067 Stedman Sextuples, Leicester, 29-11-1953, in 3 hours 25 minutes.

Fourteen-In.—5,096 Plain Bob Fourteen-In, Enfield, Middlesex, 27-8-1944.

Should any of the above record be incorrect the compiler would be grateful if these could be corrected,



## 200 YEARS OF RINGING AT LEEDS PARISH CHURCH

By RONALD H. DOVE

THE belfry at Leeds Parish Church contains two manuscript books—just a couple of very thick, stiff-covered 'exercise books,' not particularly remarkable to outward appearances save perhaps that both are over a hundred years old, but appearances can be deceptive, and study of either book makes fascinating reading.

One is the minute book of St. Peter's Society, the other the cash book which records all payments to the ringers over and above their 'wages' since 1841, when the present church was built.

Both books were entrusted to me some time after I had become leader of Leeds Parish Church in 1947, but apart from an occasional glance through them I had given neither book the study it deserved until recently.

### BREAK IN TRADITION

As reported in 'The Ringing World' some months ago, the traditional 'Mayor's ringing' was dispensed with after 200 years duration on the flimsiest of excuses, such as that the sound of the bells did not carry all over the city or that the public would not know why the bells were being rung, etc., and the incident derived much publicity.

So did the sequel reported under the headline 'Ringers' Angry Silence' and described as a 'strike,' when the bells were missing before the civic service on the following Sunday. Maybe it was unchristian, as I was told, but it was none the less satisfying to know that the protest had not gone unnoticed.

Turning, however, to less sordid matters, the Press wanted to know all about the origin of the custom, they even took a photostat copy of the earliest entry, but apparently considered that a picture of the leading citizen had greater front page appeal.

We get an indication of the poverty which must have abounded in this overwhelmingly squalid town of a century ago by the rule that . . . Every member shall present himself in as clean and decent attire as his circumstances will admit . . . yet despite this poverty another belfry rule of 1864 lays down how much aspiring learners must pay for the privilege. Commencing with ten shillings deposit and further sums on ringing a quarter, a half and a full peal, the learner paid thirty shillings in all, a goodly sum in those days.

I think they had got something there, since recruits would be far less likely to throw away what could have cost them the equivalent to many weeks' or even months' wages. I have often felt that learning to ring is made too cheap and is valued accordingly to-day, and the prevalent attitude when the pupil loses interest seems to 'stay away and let him find out.'

### FIRST PEAL IN 1742

It is not known how long there have been bells at the Parish Church but we are told that in 1742 Mr. Harrison, of Barrow, in Lincolnshire, increased the bells from six to eight, and within six weeks the local company rang 5,040 Grandsire 'Tripples,' the first peal ever rung in Leeds.

Some 20 peals on these bells are recorded, among them such intriguing sounding names as 'Peace with America' and 'College Double Tripples,' and the board recording the longest then rung in Yorkshire, a 10,080 Oxford Treble Bob in 1790, is in an excellent state of preservation and hangs in the present tower. Three years later a 5,088 in the same method was the last peal on the bells, which gave place to a ring of ten whose life was of even shorter duration, a mere 40 years.

Although there are accounts of the Leeds company taking part at the openings of new rings over a wide area—even at St. Cuthbert's, Darlington—surprisingly there is no mention of the visit to Aberdeen in 1858 to open the ring at St. Nicholas', as mentioned on page 732 and the leading article on Dec. 6th, 1963, for this must have been quite an event and must surely have been fresh in the mind of the compiler of the records from which I quote.



LEEDS OLD PARISH CHURCH

### ASHTON RINGERS' OPENING PEAL

It appears to have been customary to open new rings with a peal and while the Leeds company rang many such inaugural peals, for instance at Guiseley, Wetherby, Halifax Holbeck and elsewhere, yet when it came to their own new bells in 1798, after ringing the opening course of Grandsire Cators, they handed over the tower to the Ashton (Lancs) Society, who rang 6,000 in the same method in 4 hours, 43 minutes.

How many men rang the tenor in the Ashton peal is not recorded, but for their first three peals on their new bells also for the opening peal on the new eight at Halifax shortly afterwards, the Leeds men required, or at least they had, two men for the tenor.

They 'manfully performed' a peal of Bob Royal Cators in 1803 and in 1818 their 'true and complete peal of Stedman Cators, 5,079 changes,' is recorded as 'the first five thousand ever rung in Yorkshire in this intricate method.'

Following the example of Leeds, Wakefield Old Church went in for a ring of ten in 1817. The honours on this occasion were shared by seven companies who took their turns by ballot. The Leeds company evidently considered themselves the best and in support of their claim quote an extract from a Wakefield newspaper, . . . but in raising and settling the bells the Leeds ringers certainly shewed their superiority and themselves perfect masters of their profession.' The Halifax, Sheffield and Wakefield bands rang 2,520 Treble Bob, Leeds 2,519 Stedman Cators, Liversedge 2,520 Plain Bob Royal, while Oldham and Huddersfield merely 'jumbled out.'

### THE NEW CHURCH

In 1840, perhaps the most famous of all the Vicars of Leeds was appointed, Walter Farquhar Hook, later Dean of Chichester, and almost immediately set about building a new church to his own liking. From the photographs, the old church appears to be superior to its successor, but according to the history of the church it was not only inconvenient, particularly for the Eucharist, but was becoming unsafe.

Times were hard in what were known as 'the hungry forties' and the most rigid economies had to be enforced when the present church was built with the result that save for the spacious sanctuary which, incidentally, would make an excellent setting for a High Mass, and a lofty, albeit a not over strong, tower, the building has little to commend itself.

Whilst it is rather open to question whether even a 36 cwt. tenor should have been hung in such a tower, it was commendable that the ringers were consulted and their wishes, even

if misguided, were met, and the new ring by Thomas Mears had the distinction of being both the first complete ring of 13 cast, also the first ring to be transported by rail. The cost was £1,200, and it was raised entirely by voluntary subscription.

### FIRST OF CINQUES IN YORKSHIRE

When in 1842, on the first anniversary of the bells, Sam Smallpage called a peal of Grandsire Cinques, it is recorded: 'The above gentlemen have therefore had the honour of completing the first peal of Cinques ever rung in the County of York. The peal was rung by Mr. C. Oliver of London and the most able judges agree that it is the best finished piece of work ever known in the annals of bell hanging.'

The 'most able judges' or at least the Leeds ringers soon revised their opinions, however, for barely two years later we read that they . . . left Leeds for York at the request and sole expense of Messrs. Mears of London . . . and after describing in detail the harmonious evening spent at the Cross Keys in Jubbergate, the report continues . . .

'The following day the Minster was thrown open for the first time since the late fire and with permission of the Dean the Leeds ringers after morning service rang a beautiful touch of Grandsire Cinques. The bells were then ceased in course—a performance of no ordinary merit. The inhabitants can be justly proud in having the finest peal in the Kingdom.'

That was not all, for while part of the company returned home, the remainder proceeded by the Ebor packet to Selby on the Monday, saluting the inhabitants of each village 'with a merry peal on the handbells' then, on arrival at Selby, rang 'to the delight of the good people of Selby in good style, three peals—Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob Minor and were afterwards regaled by a good supper at the Churchwardens' expense.'

A visit by Henry Hubbard, 'author of a treatise on the Art of Change ringing and a former member of the Norwich Scholars' who 'ably conducted' a peal of Kent T.B. on the light eight is the only entry for 1859 but 1863 and 1864 both brought a crop of special ringings.

To be continued.

### FIRE IN ESSEX CHURCH

St. Andrew's Church, North Weald, Essex, was badly damaged by fire on January 7th. The tower and bells were saved, the only damage here being that the ropes were burned off and part of the floor under the bells. Although the bells have been put out of action for the time being, the ringers hope to ring them again before too long a period.



## OBITUARY

### MR. JAMES BUTLER

We regret to announce the death of Mr. James Butler, M.A., B.Sc., at his home, 2, Bemerton Gardens, Kirby-le-Soken, Frinton-on-Sea, Essex, aged 72 years.

A Past Master of Cambridge University Guild, Mr. Butler had been a lifelong ringer and a member of the Essex Association. A member of the scholastic profession, he taught in London and in Berkshire. Some 33 years ago he went to Kirby on appointment as senior maths master at Clacton County High School, a post he held for 20 years.

He took a deep interest in Kirby Church and belfry, and besides being a sidesman and church councillor was a regular attender for service ringing and practice. As a result of illness he had to give up ringing four or five years ago, but was always interested, particularly in the progress of the youngsters, most of whom went to his school. He leaves a widow, three daughters and two sons, one of whom lives in Australia.

The funeral service was held in Kirby churchyard on December 31st, and all branches of the church and his school were represented. The tower bells were rung half-muffled after the interment as a last token of respect to a truly Christian gentleman. R.I.P.

### AN APPRECIATION

Jim Butler was four or five years junior to me at Cambridge. A late-comer, I think his residence was broken by service in the Army in the First World War. When he returned he helped to revive the University Guild, after losses of ringers like W. D. James, and he became Master. I met him when I returned to Cambridge for week-ends and rang several handbell peals with him, and also met him at many of the annual Guild ringing weeks.

He lived in my house for a short time while teaching in London, and he helped at St. Augustine's, Kilburn. This, I think, was typical of him: he was always ready to take a rope and help out wherever he happened to be. The last time I saw him was during a ringing week I arranged for the Guild in Devon some 10 years ago. I certainly have lost a friend. E. M. A.

### MR. TOM SAUNDERS (East Peckham)

#### AN APPRECIATION

It is with sadness that I write about the passing of Mr. Tom Saunders, for it was with him that I rang my first touches of Plain Bob and Single Oxford, and a lot of us younger ringers were indebted to him for getting us the use of East Peckham bells for a lot of our earlier peals.

Tom learned to ring at Hadlow and his first peal was rung there over 50 years ago. For this achievement a local person had a medalion made, which he always wore on his watch chain for all to see. He was secretary at Hadlow for four years and at East Peckham for 53 years. He rang in 133 peals, of which I believe over 100 were Kent Treble Bob. But it is in the capacity of secretary we owe him most, for he took over during the war years 1941-46 and kept the Tonbridge District together.

Although he hadn't taken part in active ringing for some time (his legs did not allow him to get about as he would have liked), he always turned up at the annual District meeting and followed happenings in this journal.

He was for most of his life a gardener, and at the time of his death secretary of East Peckham Gardeners' Society and a past secretary of the Oddfellows, at whose meeting it was he collapsed. G. F.

### MR. G. P. GARNER

The death took place on Christmas Day, after a good deal of suffering, of Mr. George P. Garner, who had been associated with Barwell (Leics) belfry for 51 years, being a past vice-captain and a sidesman.

Mr. Garner, who was 74, for many years held a managerial position, with Messrs. George Ward Ltd., the Barwell shoe manufacturers, and was one of a greatly respected family of church workers in the village.

He joined the old Midland Counties Association in 1912 and rang his first peal the same year. For the Leicester Diocesan Guild he had rung 11 peals; in his earlier days he conducted several peals of Major. The day of his funeral was the 14th anniversary of his last peal—Double Norwich Court Bob Major.

Mr. Frank Measures, president of the Leicester Diocesan Guild, attended the service, and this was followed by a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples with the bells half-muffled rung by the Barwell ringers. His widow shares her bereavement with two daughters. T. C. B.

### 600 PEALS BY MR. H. HOWELL

With the peal of Grandsire Triples at Willenhall on December 21st, Mr. Howard Howell, of Penn, Wolverhampton, completed his 600th peal. These have been rung in 129 towers in 14 counties for 19 Associations with 546 different ringers (476 peals for the Archdeacons of Stafford).

Doubles, 1 to 6 methods, 35 (conducted 8); Minor, 1 to 7 methods, 64; Triples, 68 (1); Major, 140 (31); Caters, 148 (85); Royal, 40 (13); Cinques, 94 (53); Maximus, 8 (5).

Handbells—Doubles, 2 (1); Major, 1. Total rung on tower bells 597 (196), on handbells 3, (1).

Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob, Erin, Oxford Bob, Darlington Bob, Kent, Oxford, Little Bob, Duffield, Double Norwich, Spliced Kent and Oxford, Cambridge, Superlative, Bristol, Norfolk, New Cambridge, Ashted, Belgrave, Yorkshire, Southwell.

### MR. DONALD G. CLIFT'S

#### 300 PEALS

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Doubles.—Grandsire 2, Stedman 2 (conducted 1), three methods 1.

Triples.—Grandsire 35 (22 including Holt's Original round the circle), Oxford Bob 2 (2), Stedman 9.

Minor.—One to seven methods 12 (3), Cambridge 1.

Major.—Plain Bob 20 (7), Little Bob 1, Double Norwich 12, Kent T.B. 3 (1).

Surprise Major.—Ashted 1, Bristol 7, Cambridge 18, New Cambridge 3, Lincolnshire 3, London 10, Pudsey 3, Rutland 1, Superlative 7, Yorkshire 20.

Caters.—Grandsire 10, Stedman 36 (9).

Royal.—Plain B. 4, Little 1, Oxford T.B. 1.

Surprise Royal.—Cambridge 12, London 1, Pudsey 3, Yorkshire 4.

Cinques.—Grandsire 2, Stedman 16 (4).

Maximus.—Kent T.B. 1, Cambridge Surprise 11.

Total Tower Bells.—275 (49).

#### HANDBELLS

Doubles.—Two methods 1 (1).

Triples.—Grandsire 11 (4, and includes Holt's Original rung silent and non-conducted).

Major.—Plain Bob 10 (2).

Caters.—Grandsire 3.

Total in Hand: 25 (7).

Grand Total.—300 (conducted 56).

## CHRISTMAS DAY AT WASHINGTON CATHEDRAL

Following the 11 a.m. service, the new Mears and Stainbank ring of ten at Washington Cathedral, D.C., was rung open for the first time by an all-Cathedral band. The lower eight bells were rung in rounds, Queens and Tittums, and though the striking was somewhat uneven, all the ringers managed to keep their places and even to 'stand'—a major achievement!

'But most important,' writes Richard R. Dirksen, 'the sound which came forth from our tower, though poor ringing by any standards, was a joyous noise and a most wonderful welcome to Christmas. It is our hope that with continual practice we can learn to make music with this most wonderful instrument.'

A gift of recordings has been received from Harry Parkes, of Whitechapel Foundry. 'We hope that one day some of you may hear a similar tape from our tower,' concludes the friendly letter.

## LIKENED UNTO BETHLEHEM'S RINGING!

Ringers at St. Patrick's Church, Coleraine, consider their local newspaper ('Northern Constitution') gave them a back-handed compliment in its 'Spotlight.' This read:

'I liked the broadcast peal of the bells of St. Patrick's Church on Christmas morning. Their tone and rhythm compared more than favourably with those of cross-Channel contemporaries and their music had a striking similarity with the peal from the tower of the Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem. St. Patrick's ringers are congratulated on their performance.'

## THE LADIES' GUILD

The Kent Branch held their meeting jointly with the Tonbridge District of the Kent County Association at Westerham on January 4th. The bells were rung for an hour and a half before the service. After tea we held our business meeting in the church.

Mrs. Mitchell, who took the chair, expressed her pleasure at being back after her visit to Canada. Two new members were elected. Our next meeting was arranged for March 7th at Eastchurch, jointly with the Rochester District of the K.C.A. Also discussed was the possibility of some members from the District attending the Guild annual meeting at Macclesfield in July.

Business concluded, we rejoined the gentlemen for more ringing. I. M. P.

## RESIDENTS PETITION POLICE TO STOP BELLS

Residents of Shaw Street, Culcheth, have petitioned the Lancashire County Constabulary asking them to stop the bells of Newchurch Parish Church, near Warrington, as the ringing keeps their children awake in the evening.

The Rector (the Rev. John G. Preston) pointed out in 'The Liverpool Daily Post,' that the bells had been ringing from the church belfry for 300 years, without a previous complaint. Everything had been done to reduce the noise, particularly on the side of the belfry facing Shaw Street.

From a police correspondent we learn that the police have no jurisdiction whatsoever over church bells, which can only be restrained by a court injunction or, of course, by order of the incumbent.

He suggests that perhaps the petition was handed to the police for the purpose of seeking advice.

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# Letters to the Editor

## Methods Committee's Rulings

Dear Sir,—May I bring to the notice of the Exercise the following unanimous decisions of the Methods Committee:

(1) That the names of the methods rung in the peal of Spliced Surprise Major at Ashover on July 13th, 1963, should obtain for all future peals in them.

Consequently the peals by the Leicester Diocesan Guild of Moira Surprise Major on August 26th, 1963, should be renamed Purbeck Surprise Major and that of Ob Surprise Major on September 16th, 1963, should be renamed Oxney Surprise Major.

The committee wish to draw attention to this decision and to remind conductors that when a method is rung for the first time in a multi-method peal the name then given obtains for all future performances in, or including, the method.

(2) That the peal rung at Claybrooke on May 11th, 1963, and published as Dunelm Surprise Major should be renamed New Durham Surprise Major in accordance with the announcement made at the Central Council meeting, 1963, regarding the names of the extensions to Royal and Maximus which were rung first.—Yours faithfully,

C. KENNETH LEWIS,  
Convener.

Methods Committee.

## Bells and the P.C.C.

Dear Sir,—I was interested to read Mr. W. O. Caythorne's letter on page 828, in which he asks, 'What jurisdiction, if any, has a Parochial Church Council over the bells and activities of ringers of a parish church?'

The shortest answer, I believe, to this question is contained in one sentence of the rules of our own belfry, which were compiled in the year 1939 by our Rector of the day, i.e.:

'By law, the control of the bells and therefore of those who ring them belongs to the Rector.'

However, during the past 14 years, as a member of our own P.C.C. and at present captain of our own band of ringers, I can never remember the ringers being controlled in any way other than the rest of our church workers. It is, however, always a source of amusement to me that we ringers, unlike the organist, who also comes under the control of the Rector, carry out our duties with this rule constantly displayed before us.

As I hope shortly to start teaching our own Rector the art of ringing, I can say that, for a period at least, he will be under the control of a ringer!

Regarding the refusal of Rickmansworth's P.C.C. to allow the ringers permission to raise money for repairs to a cracked bell, then this could become a very different matter. There is a difference between control of the bells and repair or alteration to the bells. Most incumbents would refer a matter of this kind to the P.C.C. In fact for most major work a faculty or Archdeacon's certificate would be required.

It would not be proper for me to pass an opinion on Rickmansworth P.C.C. as they may have a very good reason for refusing such permission.

Your correspondent may be interested to know, however, that any parishioner is at liberty to apply for a faculty or Archdeacon's certificate for repairs, additions to, or removal from a church or churchyard.—Yours faithfully,

F. W. HUTT.

Byfield, Rugby.

## Bells and the P.C.C.

Dear Sir,—In the absence of any reply from more learned readers, may I comment upon Mr. Caythorne's letter on page 828 with regard to 'Bells and the P.C.C.'?

It seems that the question of when bells shall be rung depends entirely on the incumbent, except for divine service when he has, apparently, no jurisdiction to prevent them from being rung.

With regard to the repair of the bells, or indeed any matter, such as an alteration to the control shuttering system which involves the expenditure of church funds, the authority is vested in the P.C.C. It was formerly the duty of the churchwardens to maintain the fittings of the church in repair, at the cost of the parish. The liability for the 'care, maintenance, preservation, and insurance' of the goods and ornaments of the Church has now, however, like that for the repair of the same, been transferred by the Measure of 1921 to the P.C.C.

Mention should be made of the provision of the same Measure requiring the P.C.C. to submit to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, for its approval, a report on the fabric, goods and ornaments of the Church.

A parish church belongs not to any one generation, nor are its interests and conditions the exclusive care of those who inhabit the parish at any one period. It is in entire conformity with this aspect of the parish church that the law has forbidden any structural alterations to be made in it, except those which are approved by a disinterested authority in the person of the 'Ordinary.' Such approval is given by means of the grant of a faculty by the Chancellor of the Diocese. The Faculty Jurisdiction Measure, 1938, clearly contemplates that an application for a faculty should be supported by a resolution from the Council. It therefore seems to follow that the alteration of the shuttering of High Wycombe bells is subject to the consent of the P.C.C. even though in this case a faculty may have already been granted for the original project.

With regard to the final paragraph of Mr. Caythorne's letter, it is difficult to believe that the Rickmansworth P.C.C. have really refused permission for the ringers to raise money to repair a cracked bell, as reported on page 800, unless they feel that through such efforts the raising of funds for a more urgent matter would be jeopardised.

There is nothing to stop any outside agency from contributing towards the cost of the repair of the cracked bell, and to apply to the Ordinary for a faculty for the bell to be removed for repair.

The granting of a faculty lies entirely within the judicial discretion of the Ordinary, and the consent of neither the incumbent, nor the churchwardens, nor the parishioners is strictly necessary to the making of a grant, but the views of these persons (especially those of the incumbent), are entitled to the greatest consideration.

One cannot imagine, however, any P.C.C. refusing a sympathetic hearing to anyone graciously offering to help in the repair of the bells.

As Phillimore expresses it—'the duty of parishioners to keep their church and its fittings in good repair is now a moral one.'—Yours faithfully,

THOMAS C. BELTON.

Birstall.

## Long Peal Attempts

Dear Sir,—Having read the interesting exchanges in recent weeks about long peals at the bell foundry I would like to make the following comments:—

(1). The 10 bells at the foundry are not suitable for long peal attempts other than by a band which gets regular practice on the 10 bells there.

(2). The conditions at the foundry are ideal for attempts on the back 8 and that is the reason for the number of attempts.

(3). Ringing a long peal of Minor on the back 6 is not the snip one or two people might imagine, and the recent long peal there was planned because we could not guarantee a warm belfry anywhere else at Christmas time! I found that 9½ hours Minor ringing on the foundry back six much heavier than 11½ hours at Worsley as far as wrist work is concerned.

(4). Loughborough Parish Church bells are not available for a long peal as enquiries were made over two years ago without success. However, Mr. Judge may be pleased to know that our next long peal attempt, on Easter Monday, is on the 12 at Birmingham Cathedral.

I notice that Mr. Blagrove is once again on his 'high-horse' with regard to Method Extension and Contraction. It's a pity that a band choosing a respectable name has to change it while names such as Llanfair P.G. and Ob are allowed to stand.—Yours sincerely,

ROBERT B. SMITH.

Macclesfield, Cheshire.

## Standard Important in Record Peals

Dear Sir,—I was distressed to read Mr. Judge's second letter in 'The Ringing World' re the long length of Yorkshire Royal. I had hoped that the initials 'W.J.' were duplicated in Oxford ringing circles, as I have always held Mr. Judge in highest esteem, and read with interest what he has previously written, always finding good advice and instruction.

With regard to the ringing on that day, I may say that all the honours go to Mr. Ainsworth. It is no easy task for a conductor, having collected a band from far and near containing men who had previously rung with him in fine style a record of Yorkshire Major, to tell them that they are not up to the mark. May I stress that the ringing in those seven courses would have been acceptable to a great many conductors, and could not be termed bad by any stretch of the imagination. Neither had the umpire nor any other member of the band made any complaint about the standard of ringing.

In my opinion there is a difference between record peals and ordinary peals. In ordinary peals the minimum standard is that acceptable by the conductor, but a record peal is rung to surpass a previous peal and a spirit of competition is introduced. The conductor must now make sure that the standard is at least that of the previous record. This is what Mr. Ainsworth had in mind; he felt we had not hit the standard of the Worsley peal, with which I can agree, and therefore called a halt.

May I say once again that Mr. Judge is being unjust in trying to condemn Mr. Ainsworth for being honest.

Since there are so many ringers today capable of ringing a record of Yorkshire Royal, perhaps Mr. Judge will oblige by arranging an early attempt and thus give Bob Smith an excuse for capping it.—Yours faithfully,

BRIAN HARRIS.

Werrington, Peterborough.

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## LETTERS—Continued

**Yorkshire Tail-Ends**

Dear Sir,—I am very pleased to read that 'R. L.' and his team are fitting ropes with Yorkshire ends and I am convinced that they will enjoy great comfort from them. The length of rope between the billy and sally is determined to some extent by the diameter of the wheel and the rope makers will vary the ropes according to instructions; they will also omit the large knob at the end, which is entirely unnecessary.

One thing missing from Mr. Moreton's letter is the heading 'This is an order,' for it reads like a War Office directive. However, I find there is nothing in his criticism that I agree with, especially the point which he makes on the tendency to move the hands off the billy on to the single rope when ringing a heavyish bell. I have never tried climbing up a rope when ringing and have now lost the ability to attempt it. Furthermore, I can find no trace of this hand movement on the tail-end in the Central Council handbook.

Regarding the trial of bells before a touch in a tower where there are Yorkshire ends, surely difficulty is also experienced in 'bare back' towers. How on earth can it be found necessary to adjust a tail-end or use a box if the bell is not tried for length? More time is wasted at a meeting adjusting a tail-end than tying or removing a knot. At Wakefield Cathedral I saw a well-known ringing instructor take a bell and after a few acrobatic but undignified rounds he had to stand his bell and lengthen his rope. I see no objection in trying a bell for length, provided that two bells are not struck together; in fact a novice should definitely have a trial pull, as there is nothing more unnerving than to discover that the rope is too short and endure the glare of the 'experts'.

Mr. Moreton states that when sallies are new, many ringers find it difficult to get all the fingers round the main sally. We have never experienced any difficulty with this problem, even with young learners, although I can imagine it would not be easy for one who had one hand smaller than the other.

To return to the Central Council handbook, which states on page 9 'that the tail-end must not be so long that it impedes your vision or hits your face,' how can we adhere to this if we follow Mr. Moreton's advice of not trying for length or climbing up the rope?

May I suggest to ringers who are contemplating the purchase of new ropes to try Yorkshire ends and ring in comfort, but if money is tight the 'bare back' utilitarian ends must suffice.

In conclusion, it should be realised that our mentor, Jasper Snowdon, favoured the Yorkshire end.—Yours faithfully,

NOEL F. MOXON.

Cawthorne, Barnsley.

**Holt's Original in Kent**

Dear Sir,—In reply to the letter from Mr. Holliss, on page 844, the number of times Holt's Original has been rung at St. John's, Deptford, for the Kent County Association is 40 (conductors: W. J. Jefferies 24, F. W. Richardson 8, E. B. Crowder 7, the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore 1). This tower tops the list, with Lewisham coming second, with 23 peals. In all, the peal has been rung for Kent in 64 towers.

I regret to say that my previous statement of the number of times the Original has been rung for Kent was incorrect, as I now find it should be 378, and 59 conductors.

In the 1931 Kent County Association Report, Peal No. 3,541 should be marked 'Holt's Original'.—Yours faithfully, T. E. SONE.

Brenchley, Kent.

**Union Doubles for Election Year**

Dear Sir,—It is good to see some changes of method in the Ringers' Notebook and Diary, 1964.

Is it significant that Union Doubles is included for election year. I note that no one runs out at a bob. I suppose if one did, they all would! Bob's all right for the extent?—Yours, etc., J. K. FOOT.

Rugby.

**Double-handed Tower Bell Peals**

Dear Sir,—In reply to a request by George Fry regarding 'People who have rung two tower bells to a peal,' the following list may be of assistance.

Under the names (which are, as far as I know, in the order that the persons rang their first double handed peal) I put any details that I know:

1. J. Washbrook (dec.). Details from 'History and Art,' Morris.
2. Jas. E. Groves (dec.), Birmingham.
3. Wm. H. Lawrence (dec.), Little Munden, Herts.
4. Edwin Himms (dec.), Bicester.
5. John Thomas (dec.), Hinton-on-the-Green, Worcs. One peal rung at Corston, near Bath, 2-3 rang and conducted, Double Norwich Court Bob Major.
6. A. R. Price, Sunbury-on-Thames, Middx. Three peals, conducted two. All of Bob Minor.
7. Alan Cattell, Leicestershire. Number not known, but included is a peal, in which he rang 3-4 and conducted, Yorkshire S. Major.
8. Frank C. Price, Crowthorne, Berkshire. Twelve peals, as listed below:

Sept. 16th, 1953, Cranford, Middx, 2-3, Bob Minor;

Nov. 26th, 1955, Hillingdon, Middx, 1-2, Grandsire Caters;

Dec. 3rd, 1955, Cranford, Middx, 2-3, Bob Minor (rung with F. T. Blagrove ringing and conducting from 4-5);

Oct. 13th, 1956, Beddington, Surrey, 1-2, Grandsire Caters;

Nov. 16th, 1957, Cranford, Middx, 2-3, two Minor methods (cond.);

Aug. 22nd, 1959, Grundisburgh, Suffolk, 9-10, Plain Bob Royal (cond.);

Dec. 3rd, 1960, Hillingdon, Middx, 3-4, Plain Bob Major (cond.);

April 29th, 1961, Preston Candover, Hants, 3-4, Plain Bob Minor (rung with A. R. Price ringing 1-2 and F. T. Blagrove (cond.) from 5-6);

Nov. 19th, 1961, Bishopstoke, Hants, 4-5, Plain Bob Major (rung with T. Chapman ringing and conducting from 2-3);

Nov. 25th, 1961, Hillingdon, Middx, 1-2, Grandsire Caters;

April 25th, 1963, Goring, Oxon, 2-3, Plain Bob Major (cond.);

May 11th, 1963, Hillingdon, Middx, 1-2, Cambridge S. Royal.

9. Frank T. Blagrove, Windsor, Berks. Numbers in double figures, now including, I believe, the record number of Doubles methods to a peal, which he conducted.

10. Christopher B. Fynes, Stanwell, Middx. Numbers in double figures, including, I believe, a peal of Surprise Minor in 21 methods, which he conducted.

11. Tom Chapman, Bishopstoke, Hants. Three peals to date: Bob Major 2 (conducted 2), Bob Royal 1.

The following are in the process of ringing a four double-handed peal of Plain Bob Major. Two attempts have been unsuccessful: A. R. Price, F. C. Price, Tom Chapman, F. T. Blagrove.

—Yours sincerely,

Crowthorne, Berks. FRANK C. PRICE.

**Place Notation**

Dear Sir,—In answer to A. H. Kemp, perhaps he would like to look at the following:—

58 x 36, 14.58 x 12.38, 14 x 14.58, 16 x 34.5, Lead End.

A2/B5, 8/D3, 6/E1, 4/F5, 8/H1, 2/I3, 8/J1, 4/L1, 4/M5, 8/N1, 6/P3, 4/Q5, Lead End.

Both are the same method, i.e., Cricklewood Surprise Major.

Does he really think his system is easier? As it can be seen, it takes up a lot more room, and I found typing it out tricky, and it would be very easy to trip up when doing so.

I must admit I agree with Mr. Kemp, if the Lead End is included it is a help in checking. I find the first four place bells (i.e., 1573) is enough.

I am sure there are plenty of ringers who will help him if he finds trouble with place notation.—Yours faithfully,

GEOFFREY R. DREW

Arle, Cheltenham.

**Christmas Day Broadcast**

Dear Sir,—I was rather surprised to read that Mr. Hedgecock was disappointed at the Christmas Day broadcast as I for one enjoyed it very much and I feel that the remarks passed are in very poor taste.

The bells on the Light Programme on Sundays from Evercreech are a joy to listen to but are being rung by a representative band from the area while I presume that most of the bells on Christmas Day were being rung by members of the local bands, and they were all trying to ring at their very best. In my experience some ringers cannot help being nervous when being recorded, even on a tape, and make mistakes that would never normally occur.

If any of the ringers who took part in the broadcast have been upset may I say carry on with your ringing and take no notice of such remarks.

Letters of Mr. Hedgecock's nature do not do any good, but will only upset people, and even if he thinks his area can do better than others it is not wise to state so as even 'the mighty fall'.—Yours sincerely,

ALAN F. LEE.

Bath.

Dear Sir,—I have just read Mr. Dunstan's letter in a recent 'Ringing World,' concerning the Christmas Day broadcast. I would say that as conductor of the touch of Grandsire Triples at Dunblane Cathedral, it is a little disappointing to hear it interpreted as Stedman by Mr. Dunstan. I had not thought that the striking was as bad as all that, although it was not perfect by any means. For those who are interested, the touch was 167 Grandsire, composed, I believe, by John Carter. Written shortly, it is: P S P S B S P P P B B P (round at handstroke).

A possible explanation of the exclusion of Lincoln Cathedral was that the broadcast did not begin until nine minutes past nine, as the News was late finishing, and the B.B.C. cut into the programme in order to end at 9.30 a.m. John Snagge referred to Apsley End as the third St. Mary's to be heard, when it was in fact the second, Lincoln Cathedral, however, is dedicated to St. Mary.—Yours faithfully,

M. J. MARRIOTT.

Elstow, Beds.

Dear Sir,—I am afraid I disagree with Mr. Dunstan in thinking the latest Christmas broadcast to be the best so far produced. I have recordings, on tape, of the last three or four years' and on comparing them I do not think the 1963 broadcast in general reaches the standard of some other years. However, we cannot expect every year to be an improvement on the previous one.

There is no doubt that Market Drayton bells were very good indeed, as also were Dunblane's, but I thought the microphone was placed in a very unfortunate position at Swindon, making judgment very hard to pass.

It was most disappointing not to hear Lincoln Cathedral, which we might have done had the broadcast been 'live.' I think this is a small price to pay, though, considering the improved standard of the recorded broadcasts even if, as this time, it has to be curtailed.—Yours faithfully,

D. C. MANGER.

Chelsfield, Kent.

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A. S. HUDSON,  
J. W. McLENNAGHAN.

Cambridge.



## Rang Together for Fifty Years at Redruth



MR. H. SEYMOUR

Mr. E. S. SEYMOUR

ON December 31st two brothers, Messrs. H. and E. S. Seymour, completed 50 years of faithful service ringing at Redruth Parish Church. Their ringing started as schoolboys and perhaps it was traditional as their grandfather was a ringer at St. Austell and their father captain at Redruth in 1900. Both are also servers; Mr. H. Seymour is a sidesman and his brother churchwarden. Another of their interests is freemasonry, and they both took part in the only Masonic peal rung by a local band in Cornwall.

The brothers are also keen members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade. Mr. E. S. Seymour obtained the rank of County Officer of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem and was made a Serving Brother in 1954; he is also a member of the Executive Committee of the Friends of the Camborne and Redruth Hospital Society. The brothers are employed by the Climax Engineering Company in Camborne.

The members of Redruth Church hope they will both be able to serve for many more years.

### BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Bath Branch

The annual meeting of the Bath Branch was held at St. Michael with St. Paul's, Broad Street, on January 4th. Ringing up to Double Norwich and Cambridge was enjoyed on the octave until the fully choral service. The Vicar of Twerton (the Rev. L. A. B. White) officiated, and the sermon was preached by the Rev. R. Kinsey (Twerton).

The secretary's report stated that 1963 had been quite a successful year, with some towers having increased membership. Peals in the Branch had dropped by one to 16; these included two for the late President John Kennedy. Congratulations were offered to Mr. Edmund King, on ringing a quarter peal on his 80th birthday.

Officers elected for 1964 were: Chairman, Rev. L. A. B. White; vice-chairmen, the Revs. E. Rowe, E. Sargent and F. Pollard; secretary, Mr. Alan Lee; treasurer, Mr. T. J. Milsom; Ringing Masters, Messrs. H. Parfrey and J. Owen.

Among the 80 people present were the general sec. (Mr. G. Salmon), and the secretary and Ringing Master of the Frome Branch, Messrs. Chivers and Beck. The Branch is to send in the name of its secretary, Mr. A. Lee, for nomination to the post of peal secretary of the Association.

Six new members were elected, two each from Weston and Keynsham, and one each from the Abbey and Batheaston.

### EXHALL DELIGHT MINOR

The method is a variation of Pontefract. Thirds place Delight method (11.A. C.C. Collection, 1961). The work in 3-4 and 5-6 being the same. The pair in 1-2 do a T.B. slow work together, but dodge at the half-lead! 2nds place L.H.=42635. B. Lead=64235. Rung as a 5 040 at Exhall-by-Coventry on January 1st, 1964, and provisionally named Exhall Delight. W. A. STOTE.

### EAST RIDING RINGERS' ANNUAL DINNER

On December 28th 46 ringers and friends attended the annual dinner at the Lairgate Hotel in Beverley. East Riding towers represented were Beverley, Cottingham, Howden, Kirk Ella, Sutton-on-Hull and Walkington; and in addition ringing friends from St. Chad's, Headingley, and Warwick were also present.

The dinner was preceded by afternoon ringing at Hedon, Cottingham and St. Mary's, Beverley. After an excellent meal, colour slides of the summer ringing tour, together with other outings during the year, were shown. An interesting movie film of Hull Fair, complete with sound track, thrilled the company.

It was decided that the Whit Monday outing in 1964 should be to towers in the Wharfedale area, and that the next annual cycling tour should be centred in the Vale of Evesham. A proposal for a visit to the Bell Foundry at Loughborough also proved popular.

Our thanks are due to Christopher Brown for making all the arrangements, and to the incumbents and local tower captains for the use of their bells. I. N. G.

### ROUGHAM'S GOOD YEAR

St. Mary's, Rougham, had a very good year in 1963, ringing 48 720's of Minor in 20 different methods. With one exception, the band rang twice each Sunday, two midnight services and four early Holy Communion and every Thursday practice. Members contribute 2/6 a month for new ropes, and last year spent £25 on a new set.

The 720's rung were: Plain Bob 9, Ipswich 7, Cambridge 6, Netherseal 3, Kent T.B. 3, Oxford T.B. 3, Bourne 2, Norwich 2, Double Court 2, Double Oxford 2, one each of Single Court, Woodbine, Grandsire Minor, Oxford Bob, Reverse Canterbury Plain, Hereward, St. Clement's, London Bob and College Single Reverse.

### ESSEX ASSOCIATION

#### N.E. District Annual

St. Leonard's-at-the-Hythe, Colchester, ringers were the hosts for the annual meeting on January 4th. It was heartening to have a robed choir of over a score for the service. Here 11 choristers and the organist are ringers.

The honorary District secretary (Mr. F. H. Erith) reported at the business meeting that 24 quarter peals had been rung during the year and seven members rang their first quarter. Fifteen peals had been rung (one by a non-local band), that at Shrub End, Colchester, was the first on the bells and that at Little Horkesley the first on the bells in that tower. The following four ringers had rung their first peal: Peter Pitt, St. Leonard's; Jennifer Andrews, Thorington; Clive Hughes, Ardleigh; and Susan Wenden, Great Bromley.

It was resolved to ask the Dedham Church Council to restore the historic peal boards, which are degenerating in the belfry. The bells here have been unringable for over 70 years.

The Master, Mr. Frank Lufkin, said he felt optimistic about the future because there were so many young people present. He admonished them to enjoy their ringing, so that they would become better ringers.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to Mr. F. Oliver, head ringer at St. Leonard's, and other helpers for their splendid organisation and tea. F. H. E.

### GUILD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

The annual meeting of the Mid-Devon Branch at Paignton, on January 4th, was well attended and there were visitors from the Exeter and South-West Branches. The ringing consisted of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Plain Bob Major, with rounds for the less experienced. The Vicar (Preb. J. W. G. Molland) conducted the service and heartily welcomed the members.

The business meeting, with Mrs. D. E. Hood in the chair, followed tea in the Parish Hall.

The secretary (Mr. D. J. Roberts), in his report, said it had generally been a great year. Only five quarter peals had been rung. Visiting ringers had rung four peals, past and present pupils of Torquay Schools rang a peal of Grandsire Doubles at Torre and a 'wonderful' peal of Grandsire Triples had been rung at Buckfast Abbey in memory of President Kennedy. There had been a drop of eight members during the year.

The officers were re-elected as follows: Chairman, Mrs. D. E. Hood; secretary and treasurer, Mr. D. J. Roberts; Ringing Master, Mr. W. Simmonds; and committee members, Miss M. Russell, Messrs. B. E. Bartlett and A. Goss, with votes of thanks for their past services.

Three new members—K. Rogers (Dartmouth), P. Bruin (Paignton) and R. Caffney (Babbacombe)—were elected; and it was decided to send a message of good-will to the general secretary, who was indisposed. Discussion took place regarding future meetings at Buckfast Abbey, and the possibility of a week-end course on ringing. The meeting closed with votes of thanks to the Vicar, organist, the ladies' tea committee, and to Mr. J. Kelly, of Paignton, for making the arrangements.

Next meeting: Teignmouth, April 4th.

A. F. B.

### The Old Clock Tower, Hackney

Dear Sir,—Perhaps other readers will be interested to learn of the clock bell in the Clock Tower, Hackney.

It is approximately 2ft. 3in. diameter, supported by a wooden headstock on a wood frame. Around the bell is the inscription: J. WARNER & SON, CRESCENT FOUNDRY, LONDON, 1857. On one side of the bell is a royal coat of arms with the word PATENT underneath.

Has anyone information about the Crescent Foundry, etc.? Sad to say, the bell is not working as the public in the vicinity disagreed in having to hear the hours struck.—Yours sincerely, L. B. J. HINKLEY

Secretary.

St. John at Hackney Ringers.



## SHEBBEAR COLLEGE'S APPEAL FOR PARISH CHURCH BELLS

Shebbear College, North Devon, has a Change Ringing Society of 30 members and a substantial waiting list. On January 1st they launched an appeal to raise £1,000 to rehang the bells of Shebbear Parish Church, and already all Old Boy members of the Society have been informed by post. Present members are running a fete-cum-sale in Shebbear Village Hall on January 25th.

The Master (John L. Queen) writes that the Society is divided into four groups. The first team are making a start with Double Oxford and Cambridge Minor; the second is making good progress with Stedman Doubles and Plain Bob Minor, and the junior team can now plain hunt on six bells. There are also the beginners.

'The boys come from all over England and for this reason many Guilds do or will see something of them. Perhaps some of these Guilds would find it possible to help us with some small contribution, indeed some already have, for which we are most grateful. To all who feel that this is a worthwhile cause we appeal for help as generous as possible.'

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD Bingham District

When the Bingham District met at Shelford on December 14th, they found the church was in keeping with the wintry weather—extremely cold. But there was a very warm welcome from the curate (the Rev. Mr. Widdowson). Ten towers were represented, and a special welcome was given to four young ringers from Cotgrave. Mr. F. Bradley was Ringing Master and ringing continued until 8 p.m.

The service was followed by tea in the Chapel Room, and the business consisted, in the main, of arranging for future events, viz.: Bingham for the annual in January, Willoughby-on-the-Wolds for February, and a joint meeting with Newark Branch in March, probably at East Bridgford. R. B.

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## QUARTER PEALS

### HALF PEAL

**SALFORD PRIORS, WARWICKS.**—On Jan. 4th, 2,520 Grandsire Triples: D. White 1, F. C. Lyne 2, C. R. Steed 3, Jill Riley 4, R. C. Warburton 5, A. T. Shorey 6, P. S. Bennett (cond.) 7, M. C. Homans 8.

### DATE TOUCHES

**CANFORD MAGNA, DORSET.**—On Jan. 1st, 1,964 Minor (Little Bob and Plain Bob): W. J. Foot 1, Judith A. Robertson 2, E. G. Mould 3, M. J. Young 4, H. I. Pitman (cond.) 5, R. G. W. Robertson 6.

**KIRKBY-IN-ASHFIELD, NOTTS.**—On Jan. 2nd, 1,964 Doubles (16 ext. in 16 methods and 44 changes of Original, comp. J. A. Harrison): A. Georgetta Harrison (longest length) 1, Thelma E. Staples 2, A. Laughton (first in 17 methods) 3, M. J. Kirk 4, J. A. Harrison (cond.) 5. Rung for the New Year.

**ABERGAVENNY, MON.**—On Dec. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): R. J. Ward 1, G. Lewis 2, Rev. I. J. Richards 3, G. Ward (cond.) 4, Mrs. J. Probert 5, G. Candy 6, R. C. Horsington 7, M. O. Roberts 8. Silver wedding compliments to Rev. I. J. and Mrs. Richards and Mr. and Mrs. G. Ward.

**ALBRIGHTON, SALOP.**—On Dec. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. Hemmings 1, M. Cotton 2, E. Morrall 3, F. Beech (cond.) 4, G. Morrall 5, E. Binnersley 6. Rung to welcome the Rev. Beverley Warren Coleman, licensed as priest-in-charge this day.

**BARWELL, LEICS.**—On Dec. 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Lord 1, T. K. Deacon 2, J. Hough 3, A. Lucas 4, C. Lucas 5, R. Colver 6, A. Hough (cond.) 7, G. Kelham 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of George Powers Garner, ringer at this tower for 51 years, died Christmas Day and interred this day.

**BRILL, OXON.**—On Dec. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Rainey 1, J. Holland 2, M. Smith 3, A. Crozier 4, J. Gregory (cond.) 5, G. Rand 6. For the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Bicester Branch, Oxford Diocesan Guild.

**BUCKDEN, HUNTS.**—On Dec. 27th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: C. M. Smith 1, Lucy Smith 2, Maureen Allen 3, R. F. Baker (cond.) 4, J. F. W. Allen 5. For Christmas Festival.

**CARDIFF.**—On Jan. 5th, at St. John's Church, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Wendy Kinnersley-Haddock (first quarter) 1, Mary Pryor (first as cond.) 2, Gwen Ridgood 3, T. Yeomans 4, J. Pryor 5, W. Dare 6. Rung on the front six.

**BROADSTAIRS, KENT.**—On Dec. 21st, at St. Peter's Church, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (6, 8 cover): M. Taylor 1, G. Firman 2, P. Fennell 3, Mrs. W. Bridges 4, A. Bridges (cond.) 5, Mrs. M. Funnell 6, M. Elsdon 7, P. Stockwell 8. A birthday compliment to Canon T. Prichard and Mr. G. J. Appleton.

**CHATTERIS, CAMBS.**—On Dec. 31st, 1,260 Doubles (Sts. Simon's, Grandsire, Plain Bob): V. Hurl 1, Mrs. D. A. Davis 2, W. Young 3, W. Seekings 4, D. A. Davis (cond.) 5, O. Brown 6. Rung half-muffled for Watchnight service.

**CHERITON, KENT.**—On Dec. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Janice Saunders 1, Rachel Sinden 2, Eleanor Hough 3, Vivienne Dye 4, Jane Hough (cond.) 5, Anne Baker 6.

**CLITHEROE, LANCs.**—On Dec. 29th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Elaine Crabtree (first quarter) 1, Mavis Kirkham (first 'inside') 2, W. E. Wilkinson 3, J. P. Jenkinson 4, F. Price 5. Conducted by 3, 4, 5. Rung to celebrate the coming-of-age of the tenor ringer's eldest son.

**CONSTANTINE, CORNWALL.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. P. Mossop (first quarter) 1, C. Riddy 2, A. Carveth (cond.) 3, K. N. Mossop 4, M. Carveth 5, G. W. Riddy 6.

**CRANBROOK, KENT.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Cousins 1, I. Perry 2, A. Leevess 3, G. Piper (first as cond.) 4, A. Webb (first 'inside') 5, M. Legg (first tenor) 6. The Eve of the Epiphany.

**DEVIZES, WILTS.**—On Dec. 24th, at St. Mary's Church, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Whale 1, D. Bailey (cond.) 2, Pamela Osborne 3, B. Osborne 4, C. Hillier 5, P. Barrett (first quarter) 6.

**EAST HOATHLY, SUSSEX.**—On Dec. 14th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Judy Bowen (first of Treble Bob) 1, Janet Percy (first of Cambridge) 2, Mrs. B. Percy 3, T. Barlow 4, J. Smith 5, A. Baldock (first of Cambridge as cond.) 6.

**EASTON NESTON, NORTHANTS.**—On Dec. 31st, 1,260 Minor (Double Court, Plain Bob): G. Mansfield 1, Audrey Brangwyn 2, W. A. Denny 3, F. P. Brangwyn 4, A. W. Mansfield 5, W. F. Syden (cond.) 6.

**EGHAM, SURREY.**—On Dec. 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss S. Aveyard (first quarter) 1, A. Flood (first quarter) 2, W. A. Peck 3, D. Parsons (cond.) 4, M. Bartlett 5, D. Froome 6. Rung for the christening of Malcolm Knowles, the son of two members of the tower.

**FLOOKBURGH, LANCs.**—On Jan. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Park 1, C. Newby 2, N. M. Newby 3, J. Dickinson 4, J. Blackburn 5, T. F. Metcalfe (cond.) 6. Rung for the induction service of the Vicar, the Rev. J. W. Garnett.

**FOLKESTONE, KENT.**—On Nov. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Janice Saunders (first quarter) 1, Jane Hough 2, Vivienne Dye 3, A. S. Binfield 4, A. P. S. Berry (cond.) 5, J. F. Wellard 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam John F. Kennedy. Also on Dec. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire and Reverse Canterbury Doubles: R. Mallett (first quarter) 1, Jane Hough 2, Vivienne Dye 3, Rachel Sinden 4, A. P. S. Berry (cond.) 5, J. F. Wellard 6. Also on Dec. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Anne Barber (first of Triples) 1, Jane Hough 2, Vivienne Dye 3, Rachel Sinden 4, Eleanor Hough 5, J. R. Hough (cond.) 6, A. P. S. Berry 7, J. F. Wellard 8. For M'dnight Mass.

**GATESHEAD, CO. DURHAM.**—On Nov. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: W. A. Thow 1, W. Davidson 2, J. Hart 3, M. Maughan (cond.) 4, J. Crowther 5, N. Elliott 6. For Matins. Also on Nov. 26th, 1,260 Doubles (two methods): N. Elliott (first 'away' from tenor) 1, Miss 1. Thomson 2, J. Crowther 3, W. Davidson 4, M. Maughan (cond.) 5, W. A. Thow 6.

**GRANTHAM, LINC's.**—On Dec. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: S. Nokes (first quarter) 1, C. McCartney 2, C. S. M. Nokes 3, J. R. Holmes 4, C. F. Baxter (first of Minor) 5, D. R. Baxter (cond., first of Minor) 6. Rung on the front six by the Campanological Society of The King's School, Grantham, for the end of term.

**GT. GRANDSDEN, HUNTS.**—On Dec. 23rd, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles (tenor covering): D. S. Prescott 1, L. B. Jefferies 2, P. Woolven 3, G. E. Bunham 4, R. F. Baker (cond.) 5, F. Sherman 6. For the Festival of Christmas.

**GT. YARMOUTH, NORFOLK.**—At St. Nicholas' on Christmas Eve, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: Brenda Sampson 1, Juanita McBride 2, A. J. Moy 3, P. G. W. Newstead 4, W. B. Duncan 5, Canon A. G. G. Thurlow 6, S. F. High 7, A. G. Wigmore (cond.) 8. For Midnight Communion.

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# QUARTER PEALS

**HAGBOURNE, BERKS.**—On Dec. 29th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: H. L. Bishop 1, C. J. Bishop 2, Mary Thomas 3, J. H. Napper 4, C. J. Garlick 5, T. East 6, A. H. Webb (cond.) 7, L. F. Cox 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Jim Butler, M.A., of Clacton, who passed away on December 25th.

**HAMBLEDON, HANTS.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. S. Lawrence 1, S. J. Harding 2, A. W. T. Gooch 3, R. J. Turner 4, C. H. Turner (cond.) 5, G. Pidgeon 6. For morning service and in honour of the ordination as Deacon of Rev. A. J. May, a former ringer at this church.

**HARPENDEN, HERTS.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mary A. Coburn 1, Nina Thomas 2, G. Hawkins 3, J. G. Cull 4, A. Smith 5, A. Day (cond.) 6, A. E. Rushton 7, F. C. Jacklin 8. For the Patronal Festival.

**HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS.**—On Nov. 17th, 1,440 Ipswich and Cambridge Spliced: A. J. Davey 1, Miss J. K. A. Cook 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, D. F. Murfet 4, C. L. Bell 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service. Also on Dec. 15th, 720 London Surprise, 540 Plain Bob Minor: D. F. Murfet 1, Miss J. K. A. Cook 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, A. J. Davey 4, C. L. Bell 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service. Also on Christmas Day, 720 Norwich Surprise and 540 Plain Bob Minor: M. J. Dyer 1, A. J. Davey 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, P. Woollven 4, D. F. Murfet 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service. Also on Jan. 5th, 720 Spliced Ipswich and Cambridge Surprise, 540 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. K. A. Cook 1, P. Woollven 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, A. J. Davey 4, C. L. Bell 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service.

**HISTON, CAMBS.**—On Jan. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: H. Muncey 1, M. Hewes (first quarter) 2, M. Carter 3, C. Gooding 4, H. Foster (cond.) 5, E. Brown 6. By the Sunday ringers for the prize giving service of the Sunday Schools.

**HOLLOWAY, LONDON.**—At St. Mary's, on Dec. 8th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss N. Hales 1, Miss M. E. Powell 2, Miss D. A. Deverell 3, Mrs. G. G. Meyer 4, R. Newman 5, J. Hales 6, C. M. Meyer (cond.) 7, A. J. Hampton 8. For Evensong.

**HOWDEN, E. YORKS.**—On Jan. 1st, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Barbara Cammack 1, R. D. Gibson 2, F. C. Hobson 3, J. I. Booth 4, J. S. Rank 5, C. C. Brown 6, I. G. Campbell 7, D. S. Johnson (cond.) 8. First in the method for all except ringer of 5. Rung to celebrate the engagement of the ringers of 1 and 2.

**HUNTLEY, GLOS.**—On Dec. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: L. Smith 1, R. Chew 2, R. Jones 3, Barbara Jones 4, E. D. Wilson (cond.) 5, K. Tyler 6.

**HUNTINGDON.**—At All Saints' Church on Dec. 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. A. Howes 1, Miss J. K. A. Cook 2, P. Woollven 3, H. Levens 4, A. T. Howes 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled during the last hour of 1963. Also on Jan. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. J. Howes 1, Miss J. K. A. Cook 2, P. Woollven 3, M. J. Dyer 4, A. T. Howes 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service.

**KETTERING, NORTHANTS.**—On Dec. 29th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: Mrs. C. V. Bowen 1, J. G. Mitchell (first of Cambridge) 2, Shelagh R. Collins 3, D. C. Bowen 4, A. H. Idle 5, J. Mitchell 6, B. Austin 7, A. P. Cannon (cond.) 8.

**KILBURN, LONDON.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. N. Stubbs 1, Rosemary Fleming 2, D. A. Bennett 3, Louise Gallini (first of Stedman) 4, D. T. Darby 5, R. B. Meadows 6, D. C. Birkinshaw (cond.) 7, Christine Bradburn 8.

**KINGSTHORPE, NORTHANTS.**—At St. Giles' Church, on Dec. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. F. Roome (cond.) 1, R. A. Eldridge 2, Miss J. A. Downing 3, D. E. Towers 4, A. A. Paul 5, R. W. Smith 6, G. C. Paul 7, L. Boyd 8. For the Christmas Festival.

**LIMPSFIELD, SURREY.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Weeks 1, A. Stenning 2, R. Allen 3, E. Jarrett 4, E. Nixon (cond.) 5, G. Walker 6.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes', on Dec. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: T. J. Lock 1, Elsie K. Hart 2, Ruth M. Foreman 3, H. G. Hart 4, Catherine M. Powell 5, D. T. C. Smith 6, D. W. Struckett 7, M. F. Lock 8, A. G. Tyers 9, F. T. Blagrove (cond.) 10. For Evensong.

**LUTON, BEDS.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: K. Lewin 1, A. F. Rushion (cond.) 2, B. L. S. Hulatt 3, A. J. Smith 4, F. Jacklin 5, A. R. Carter 6, G. Hawkins 7, B. Arnold 8. First quarter 1 and 8. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. B. L. S. Hulatt on the birth of a son. Also on Christmas Day, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. Day 1, M. Amy Coburn 2, J. Herbert 3, B. L. S. Hulatt 4, G. Hawkins 5, A. J. Smith 6, A. E. Rushton (cond.) 7, A. R. Carter 8. For morning service.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On Dec. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Rev. J. W. Neilson 1, Rachael Sinden 2, R. D. Brotherton 3, Elizabeth Todd 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, A. Neilson 6. For Evensong. Also on Jan. 5th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Adrian Neilson 1, Rachel Sinden 2, Elizabeth Todd 3, Myrtle Cook 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, R. P. Brotherton 6. For matins.

**MALVERN LINK, WORCS.**—On Nov. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Janet Dumbill 1, Ruth M. Simons 2, J. F. Lawrence 3, G. W. Edwards 4, J. Clements 5, R. G. Morris 6. Rung to congratulate Janet Dumbill on winning the Duke of Edinburgh award.

**MAVESYN RIDWARE, STAFFS.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: C. T. Collins (first away from 'cover') 1, Marlene E. Townsend 2, Lucy Smith 3, B. J. Townsend 4, C. M. Smith (cond.) 5, C. W. Bowen 6. For Evensong.

**MELLS, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. G. Norris 1, D. G. Massey 2, Frances M. Massey 3, J. F. Moore 4, D. J. Withers 5, D. T. H. Robertson 6, R. E. J. Baker (cond.) 7, H. F. Vennell 8. In memoriam of Charles George Withers, lay reader at Mells and Vobster for 46 years.

**MERROW, SURREY.**—On Nov. 19th, 1,440 Plain Bob Doubles: Hazel J. Giddins 1, Susan M. Woodthorpe (first 'inside') 2, S. M. Cobbe (first as cond.) 3, A. Pamela Warren 4, R. A. K. Glue 5, F. R. Duncan 6. Also on Dec. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Hazel J. Giddins 1, A. Pamela Warren (cond.) 2, R. A. K. Glue 3, M. A. Cattell (first 'inside') 4, B. A. Todd 5, B. Davies 6. A birthday compliment to ringer of 5.

**MILLAND, SUSSEX.**—On Dec. 26th, 1,320 Doubles (three methods): Patricia Smith 1, Susan Ellenor 2, Lesley Read 3, D. M. Hughes 4, B. R. Walton (cond.) 5, D. E. G. Port 6. A 21st birthday compliment to the ringer of 6.

**MINCHINHAMPTON, GLOS.**—On Jan. 1st, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: F. Canter 1, P. Ponting (cond.) 2, F. Simmonds 3, F. Ponting 4, H. Barratt 5, R. Nicholas 6. An 80th birthday compliment to F. Ponting, and marking 58 years' service in this tower.

**NAILSEA, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Kortwright 1, J. J. Yeates 2, R. K. Boulbee 3, C. J. Boulbee (first as cond.) 4, H. L. F. Derrick 5, H. Hardwidge 6.

**NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.**—At St. George's Church, Jesmond, on Dec. 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): J. A. Sturrock 1, Miss D. A. Yeates 2, S. J. Pardoe 3, R. A. Yeates 4, A. G. Craddock (cond.) 5, A. Jameson (first quarter) 6, J. G. White 7, P. R. Martin 8. Rung by St. George's Guild band as a wedding compliment to Mr. A. C. Bolton (tower captain) and Miss S. Scott (tower secretary), who were married this day.

**NEWINGTON-NEXT-FOLKESTONE, KENT.**—On Dec. 28th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Anne Barber 1, Jane Hough 2, Rachel Sinden 3, Vivienne Dye 4, A. P. S. Berry 5, J. R. Hough (cond.) 6. First in the method by all.

**NORTH BRADLEY, WILTS.**—On Dec. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Knight 1, E. Batchelor 2, R. Mitchell 3, A. Knight 4, R. Knight (first 'inside') 5, P. Harding 6, N. Knece (cond.) 7, F. Slatford 8.

**NORTH FERRIBY, EAST YORKS.**—On Dec. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss P. Samuel 1, M. Wilson 2, G. Smith 3, H. Palmer (first 'inside') 4, K. Kirk 5, A. B. Cooper (cond.) 6. For Confirmation service.

**NORWICH.**—At St. George's, Colegate, on Nov. 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. Curson 1, A. S. Brothers 2, M. Cubitt 3, Mrs. D. Cubitt 4, D. Cubitt 5, R. Duesbury (cond.) 6. In memory of John F. Kennedy, on the day of his funeral.

**ORSETT, ESSEX.**—On Dec. 31st, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Miss J. Burleigh (first in three methods) 1, Miss J. E. M. Hills 2, D. G. Mayell (cond.) 3, H. Smith 4, Mrs. D. G. Mayell 5, F. W. Blach 6. In memoriam Alan A. Hilliar.

**PORTISHEAD, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Long 1, Rev. R. O. Fry (cond.) 2, Mrs. G. Simmonds 3, P. J. Gardner 4, A. J. Gould 5, F. Sandy 6, R. G. Gale 7, D. Gale 8. Half-muffled to 'ring out' the old year.

**ROTHERSTHORPE, NORTHANTS.**—On Dec. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Delia M. Langton (first quarter) 1, R. W. Smith 2, J. F. Fieldsend (first quarter) 3, G. C. Paul (cond.) 4, A. A. Paul 5. A compliment to Mr. Alan A. Paul and Miss Cheryl Whittington upon their engagement.

**ROTHERHAM, YORKS.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. Bruce (first quarter) 1, S. Armeson 2, I. Tilling 3, D. Nicholls 4, J. N. W. Chaddock 5, N. Donovan 6, N. Chaddock (cond.) 7, P. Walker 8.

**RUSHDEN, NORTHANTS.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Ann Newbury 1, B. Whitworth 2, Ann Chettle 3, R. Coley 4, J. Clifton 5, A. Gibbs 6, I. Priestley (cond.) 7, C. Whitworth 8. Rung for Midnight Communion Service.

**ST. BEES, CUMBERLAND.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss M. K. Dent 1, Miss B. M. Watson 2, A. Ellbeck 3, C. J. Gates 4, H. Wilson (cond.) 5, G. Ellbeck 6. For Confirmation.

**SANDY, BEDS.**—On Dec. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Quince (first quarter) 1, Miss P. Odell 2, R. Houghton 3, I. Blain (first quarter) 4, Miss J. Ashton (cond.) 5, C. Blain 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Ronald Pentelow (organist for many years).

**SHALFORD, SURREY.**—On Jan. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: N. Stroud 1, N. Stroud 2, Diane Street 3, Christine Abbott 4, J. W. Hagley 5, Elizabeth Stevinson (cond.) 6, R. J. C. Hagley 7, N. Doggett (first quarter) 8.

**SLOUGH, BUCKS.**—On Dec. 29th, 1,280 Kent T.B. Major: J. F. Bowler 1, F. R. Scott 2, Pamela M. Jervis 3, G. R. Sheddin 4, D. P. Hilling 5, W. D. Ward 6, W. Birmingham (cond.) 7, J. K. Ward 8. For the Festival Service of nine lessons and carols.

**SOUTHGATE, N.**—At Christ Church, on Dec. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Margaret Moore 1, S. G. Peck 2, H. Hazell 3, Monica Moore 4, M. Lock 5, T. J. Lock 6, J. Nash (cond.) 7, W. Wainwright 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Norman Tomlinson.

**STOUMBER, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Routley 1, A. Somerfield 2, R. Penny (cond.) 3, P. Watts 4, R. Somerfield 5, S. Bryant 6. A silver wedding compliment to ringer of 4. Also on Dec. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles by same band, as a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. W. Chidgey.

**SPROTBOROUGH, YORKS.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,296 Spliced Plain and Little Bob Major: C. Toyne 1, W. E. Critchley (cond.) 2, Miss M. Batram 3, E. Short 4, J. McCluskey 5, E. Dalingwater 6, H. Wagstaff 7, G. Graham 8.

**THAMES DITTON, SURREY.**—On Dec. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Hettie A. Hawthorne 1, J. Tomsett 2, A. D. Leach 3, R. L. Caporn 4, F. E. Hawthorne (cond.) 5, C. A. Rogers 6. For Evensong. Also on Dec. 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Jackie F. Morgan (first of Minor) 1, R. L. Caporn 2, Elizabeth K. Goddard (first quarter) 3, D. W. Lambert 4, A. D. Leach 5, F. E. Hawthorne (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled before midnight on New Year's Eve.

**TOWNSTAL, DEVON.**—On Jan. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Elizabeth Cruze 1, Phyllis Kellond 2, Violet Goss 3, J. Burton 4, A. C. Goss (cond.) 5, Brenda Doodridge 6. To welcome 1964.

**UPHILL, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 31st, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: B. G. Williams 1, S. Lewis 2, D. J. Gay 3, J. Hall (first quarter) 4, J. S. B. Powell 5, M. V. White (cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to the conductor.

**WALLINGTON, HERTS.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss P. Hannah (first quarter) 1, Miss A. Roden 2, Miss M. Pine 3, Miss M. Roden 4, T. R. Hatchett (cond.) 5, L. Hatchett 6. For Midnight Communion.

**WAREHAM, DORSET.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. J. Young 1, V. J. Baker (first 'inside') 2, Judith A. Robertson 3, G. W. Elmes 4, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 5, J. W. Blackwood 6. For Evensong.

**WINFORD, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 23rd, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: Gladys Bishop 1, H. M. Ball (first as cond.) 2, Ruth R. Ball (first quarter of Stedman) 3, C. Bishop 4, E. Lee 5, C. York 6.

**WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH, DEVON.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,380 Grandsire Doubles: Christine Turner (first quarter) 1, Jane Hurrell 2, J. E. Cockerton 3, F. Williams (first 'inside') 4, F. D. Mack (cond.) 5, A. Knight 6. For Midnight Mass.

**YATTON, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 26th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: P. England (first in method) 1, H. W. Knight 2, H. Bird (first in method) 3, G. Pullin 4, G. Prescott 5, S. G. Smith (first in method 'inside') 6, H. A. Price (cond.) 7, J. K. Baker 8. For the Feast of St. Stephen.

**YORKTOWN, SURREY.**—On Christmas Eve, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Gloria Lias 1, Gwendolen Marshall 2, R. Bath (cond.) 3, R. Clift 4, F. Farr (cover) 5, M. Church 6, E. Hunt (cover). For Midnight Eucharist.



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Yarmouth, St. Nicholas—361, 514.  
 Yorke Bramble, A.—384.  
 York—St. John's Society, 495.  
 Yorkshire Association—123, 434, 467; E., 258, 495, 662; S., 501, 565.

**OUTING****BROMHAM OUTING**

On December 14th the Bromham ringers, with friends from several other towers, enjoyed what is, presumably, the last outing of the year, when they visited North Crawley, Chicheley, Newport Pagnell, Lathbury, Sherington, Weston Underwood, Olney and Yardley Hastings.

On this trip, great variety was enjoyed—variety of bells, of methods, scenery and, indeed, of weather! But one thing remained constant, the standard of ringing was good all through.

Oh, sorry! there was just one exception. Lathbury, where a quantity of building materials had to be removed from the bell chamber before we could ring at all and, judging by the 'go' of the bells, I should say the bell frame was removed, too!

Many thanks to incumbents for the privilege of using their bells, and also to the local ringers for meeting us and making us so welcome, and a final 'thank you' to Miss K. Rivett for her excellent arrangements.

A. E. R.

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Mr. Alan Ainsworth, while only a recent arrival in Birmingham, has had the honour of being elected Ringing Master of the St. Martin's Guild. Alan had a long record of being in office with the Durham and Newcastle Association, including the vice-presidency of one of the Branches.

The bells of All Saints', Caddington, Luton, which have been unringable for 120 years, will be dedicated tonight (January 17th) at 7.30.

The Bicester tower will feel the loss this week of Mr. and Mrs. M. Thurmott, who are leaving Bicester for Bradford, Yorks.

The letter, 'The Old Clock Tower, Hackney' (page 4, issue January 3rd), was written by L. B. J. Hinkley and not Huntley.

The quarter peal at Cheriton, Kent, on December 30th was rung by six girl ringers from the Folkestone band, all under 20. Jane Hough (aged 14) conducted her first quarter.

Rotherham Parish Church ringers raised £17 for church funds by ringing carols on handbells in Rotherham churchyard on Saturday, December 21st. An attempt for a peal of Stedman Caters at the Parish Church was lost after 2½ hours.

The peal in 40 Doubles methods rung at Whetstone on December 27th was a birthday compliment to Mrs. H. Needham (wife of Whetstone's Ringing Master) and Mrs. G. Charlton (wife of Croft's Ringing Master); and also on the 26th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. H. Stitson, of Croft.

Apocryphal record length peals being up to standard, a correspondent asks why, if the ringing in the record Royal handbell attempt was not up to standard required in any peal, 'Stand' was not called instead of the ringing being called round and a peal of 13,000 odd being claimed.

Mrs. Garner, of Barwell, wishes to thank Miss Armstrong, of Morpeth, Northumberland, for sending the local paper and letter to her late husband during his long and painful illness. This followed an item in Belfry Gossip recently. Considering the two had never heard of each other previously, this column has been the medium through which Mr. Garner's distress was made a little easier.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

The 50th anniversary of the Bicester and District Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild was on December 13th and it was celebrated by a quarter peal of Grandire Doubles at Brill. A founder member is Mr. James Marriott, of Launton, who, until a few weeks before Christmas, was ringing regularly at Launton and Caversfield. A peal of Plain Bob Major was rung at Bicester on January 4th.

The Oxford Diocesan Guild's annual festival will be held on June 27th.

The memorial service for Mr. E. H. Lewis on November 2nd was held at St. Michael's, Cornhill, and not at Cripplegate, as was inadvertently stated in our issue of January 3rd.

We are pleased to state that Mr. J. E. Jeater is back home from hospital and is heroically tackling a post of over 1,000 letters. The good wishes of many friends are much appreciated.

Mr. John David, of St. Peter Port, Guernsey, asks if it is common practice in England for sets of three bells to be hung for ringing, rather than chiming, as at one time all the three bell towers in Guernsey, except perhaps St. Martin's, were so fitted.

Suggestion made at Baldock dinner for getting variety when only only three turned up for service ringing. Begin 1, 2, 3. Treble set, crossed over to 4 and the bells sounded 2, 3, 4 for a while. Second stood and went to 5, so it was 3, 4, 5, then 4, 5, 6. The process was reversed, and another member of the band came rushing up the stairs shouting: 'Whatever's happening?'

The ringers in the peal at Exhall-by-Coventry on January 1st would like to associate with it the name of David S. L. Lloyd, who not only gave valuable assistance in ringing the method (Exhall Delight) on practice nights but rang the treble to the quarter on November 11th, and also stood in the abortive peal attempt on December 23rd. He and Anne, his fiancée, were married at their home town, Bridgend, Glam., on December 28th. Through 'The Ringing World' the band offer their congratulations and best wishes for the years to come.

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**TWELVE BELL PEAL**

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.

**A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS**

Tenor 26 cwt. 23 lb. in D.

EDWARD JENKINS .. .. .	Treble	HAROLD C. LONYON .. .. .	7
CAROL FERNLEY .. .. .	2	ALAN J. BROWN .. .. .	8
EILEEN FEARN .. .. .	3	BASIL JONES .. .. .	9
CHRISTINE C. MACNAIR .. .	4	FRANK OSBALDISTON .. .	10
C. KENNETH LEWIS .. .. .	5	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. .	11
JOHN WORTH .. .. .	6	PETER BORDER .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

**TEN BELL PEALS**

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Dec. 12, 1963, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALKMUND.

**A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb.

DEREK G. ASTRIDGE .. .. .	Treble	GORDON A. HALLS .. .. .	6
MICHAEL A. WILLIS .. .. .	2	GEO. CLIFT .. .. .	7
A. ROBIN GUY .. .. .	3	ROY STEPHENSON .. .. .	8
GEO. L. ROOBOTTOM .. .. .	4	HAROLD TAYLOR .. .. .	9
JOSEPH C. WOOLLEY .. .. .	5	*ANTHONY LAUGHTON .. .	Tenor

Composed by E. C. SHEPHERD.

Conducted by GORDON A. HALLS.

\* First peal on ten.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

On Mon., Dec. 16, 1963, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

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

BRIAN G. WARWICK .. .. .	Treble	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. .	6
RAYMOND BENFIELD .. .. .	2	EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. .	7
RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. .. .	3	*ROGER I. KENDRICK .. .	8
*DAN S. PONT .. .. .	4	†B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. .	9
MALCOLM D. BARSBY .. .. .	5	G. RONALD EDWARDS .. .	Tenor

Composed by ERNEST MORRIS.

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

\* First peal on ten bells. † 400th peal.

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

**A PEAL OF 5111 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

JOSEPH THORNLEY .. .. .	Treble	*GARY WIGNALL .. .. .	6
NORMAN TOMKINS .. .. .	2	BRIAN A. TOMLINSON .. .	7
*MARGARET E. FORT .. .. .	3	†STANLEY ANDERTON .. .	8
FRED LONGWORTH .. .. .	4	CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE .. .	9
†GEOFFREY FOTHERGILL .. .	5	M. JOHN HALLIWELL .. .	Tenor

Composed by F. H. DEXTER.

Conducted by CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE.

\* First peal on ten bells. † First of Caters.

Rung on the Feast of St. Thomas.

GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Mon., Dec. 23, 1963, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5000 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

Tenor 8 cwt. 23 lb. in G.

B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. .	Treble	DIANA M. PIPE .. .. .	6
*NEVILLE F. WHITTELL .. .	2	SYLVIA R. E. PIPE .. .. .	7
ROBERT E. LESTER .. .. .	3	Cecil W. PIPE .. .. .	8
FRANK A. WILLIS BETTS .. .	4	GEORGE W. PIPE .. .. .	9
GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. .	5	RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by GEORGE W. DEBENHAM. Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

\* First peal of Royal.

PRESTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(Preston Branch.)

On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN.

**A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 24 cwt. 18 lb. in D.

*ALAN GARDNER .. .. .	Treble	*G. ALEC DIMMOCK .. .. .	6
*BETTY FAUNCH .. .. .	2	ERNEST BENNETT .. .. .	7
†PHILIP J. CROSSTHWAITE .. .	3	*CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE .. .	8
MARYL R. CROSSTHWAITE .. .	4	†W. JOHN COUPERTHWAITE ..	9
JEAN M. PAILING .. .. .	5	JAMES H. PAILING .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by C. K. LEWIS.

Conducted by JAMES H. PAILING.

\* First peal of Surprise. † First of Yorkshire Royal. ‡ 25th peal

together. § 75th peal. First in the method on the bells.

Rung by members of the Sunday service band.

SLOUGH, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in E.

FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. .. .	Treble	ANTHONY G. TYERS .. .. .	6
DAVID P. HILLING .. .. .	2	WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. .	7
NORMAN V. HARDING .. .. .	3	JOHN HILL .. .. .	8
JENNIFER SCEENY .. .. .	4	J. KEITH WARD .. .. .	9
*PAUL A. BRAND .. .. .	5	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. .	Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by J. KEITH WARD.

\* First peal of Royal.

WIGAN, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 3 Hours and 31 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 29 cwt. 36 lb. in D flat.

PETER T. DALE .. .. .	Treble	JOHN ROBINSON .. .. .	6
NEIL BENNETT .. .. .	2	F. JOHN NELSON .. .. .	7
DEREK A. ASHTON .. .. .	3	FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. .	8
EDMUND SHUTTLEWORTH .. .	4	JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. .	9
DEREK BUTTERWORTH .. .. .	5	DENIS MOTTERSHEAD .. .	Tenor

Composed by C. K. LEWIS.

Conducted by NEIL BENNETT.

CHEPSTOW, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5001 STEDMAN CATERS**

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.

WILFRED WILLIAMS .. .. .	Treble	RICHARD J. BOWDEN .. .. .	6
JACQUELINE S. KING .. .. .	2	GWILYM SALMON .. .. .	7
WILLIAM A. THEOBALD .. .. .	3	NOEL J. DISERENS .. .. .	8
ARTHUR H. REED .. .. .	4	REV. ROGER O. FRY .. .. .	9
ERIC J. HITCHENS .. .. .	5	DAVID J. KING .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

First peal of Stedman Caters on the bells.

DALTON-IN-FURNESS, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Jan. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5000 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL**

Tenor 21½ cwt.

*W. THOMAS TURNER .. .. .	Treble	JAMES E. BURLIS .. .. .	6
JAMES E. DICKINSON .. .. .	2	†HAROLD WILSON .. .. .	7
†THOMAS F. METCALFE .. .	3	*WILLIAM WALL .. .. .	8
JOHN BAGNALL .. .. .	4	A. HEDLEY WOOD .. .. .	9
ALAN CAPSTICK .. .. .	5	RAYMOND SUART .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by W. BOOTH.

Conducted by JAMES E. BURLIS.

\* 25th peal. † First of Royal. ‡ First of K.T.B. Royal.

Rung to welcome the New Year.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.

LONDON COUNTY ASSN. AND N. SOUTHWARK DIO. GUILD.

On Wed., Jan. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 16 cwt. 24 lb. in E.

MRS. KATHLEEN F. J. PARR ..	Treble	MICHAEL HATCHETT .. .. .	6
*PATRICIA O. M. ROGERS .. .	2	SQUIRE CROFT .. .. .	7
MRS. OLIVE L. ROGERS .. .. .	3	WILFRID G. WILSON .. .. .	8
HADLEY HUNTER .. .. .	4	CHRISTOPHER H. ROGERS .. .	9
CHARLES T. RICHARDS .. .. .	5	HAROLD W. ROGERS .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY (No. 19).

Conducted by HAROLD W. ROGERS.

\* First peal of Surprise Royal. 225th peal on the bells.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS**

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Oct. 30, 1963, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 18 cwt. 95 lb. in E.

*LESLEY M. WILSON .. .. .	Treble	JOHN A. BOOTH .. .. .	5
MARGARET BOOTH .. .. .	2	DEREK J. MARSHALL .. .. .	6
CHRISTINE ANDREWS .. .. .	3	DEREK A. ASHTON .. .. .	7
JOHN F. BARLOW .. .. .	4	NEIL BENNETT .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by DEREK A. ASHTON.

\* First peal.



KNEBWORTH, HERTFORDSHIRE.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Dec. 7, 1963, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY-THE-VIRGIN AND THOMAS-A-BECKET.  
**A PEAL OF 5088 DATCHWORTH SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12½ cwt.	
ERIC EDMONDSON .. .. Treble	VERNON GREEN .. .. 5
J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 2	PETER J. COLES .. .. 6
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 3	JACK S. DEAR .. .. 7
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 4	DENNIS KNOX .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by DENNIS KNOX.

First peal in the method.

ALLESLEY, COVENTRY.  
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.  
**A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. in G.	
KEITH F. GARDNER .. .. Treble	L. MICHAEL CALLOW .. 5
PETER BORDER .. .. 2	*GEOFFREY PRATT .. 6
DAVID J. ALLEN .. .. 3	HUBERT E. ASHLEY .. 7
COLIN SWEENEY .. .. 4	RICHARD F. B. SPEED .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

\* First peal in the method.

NORTH ELMHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.  
**A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.	
LESLIE F. BAILEY .. .. Treble	GEORGE SAYER .. .. 5
H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. 2	THOMAS E. SPIGHT .. 6
WILLIAM CLOVER .. .. 3	HENRY TOOKE .. .. 7
NOLAN GOLDEN .. .. 4	PETER ADCOCK .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

PRESTBURY, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.  
**A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 18 cwt. in F.	
C. KENNETH LEWIS .. .. Treble	ROBERT J. WARRILLOW .. 5
HAROLD C. LONYON .. .. 2	JOHN WORTH .. .. 6
ALAN J. BROWN .. .. 3	BASIL JONES .. .. 7
WILLIAM H. DOWSE .. .. 4	EDWARD JENKINS .. .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Wed., Dec. 18, 1963, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.  
**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 18 cwt. 95 lb. in E.	
JOHN C. BALDWIN .. .. Treble	PETER J. MALLOCH .. .. 5
BERYL BALDWIN .. .. 2	JEFFREY BRANNAN .. .. 6
JOHN F. BARLOW .. .. 3	D. A. ASHTON .. .. 7
JOHN A. BOOTH .. .. 4	JOHN ROBINSON .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PIRSTOW.

Conducted by D. A. ASHTON.

FAIRWARP, SUSSEX.  
THE EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.  
On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.  
AT CHRIST CHURCH.

**A PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. in F sharp.	
*COLIN H. COOK .. .. Treble	JOHN E. WARNER .. .. 5
BRIAN E. JEFFERY .. .. 2	IAN V. J. SMITH .. .. 6
CHRISTINE M. FULLER .. 3	THOS. M. BARLOW .. .. 7
KEITH G. GAME .. .. 4	ALAN R. BALDOCK .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. NICHOLL.

Conducted by ALAN R. BALDOCK.

\* First peal. First in the method by all the band, and for the Guild.

Rung for the Feast of St. Thomas, A. and M.

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS.

**A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in F.	
*† JULIAN MORLEY .. .. Treble	MALCOLM D. BARSBY .. 5
KEITH H. MILDRED .. 2	BRIAN G. WARWICK .. 6
B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. 3	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. 7
† CAROL I. V. CORTON .. 4	ROLAND H. COOK .. .. Tenor

Composed by ERNEST W. TIPLER (No. B.74).

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

\* First peal of Major. † First of Surprise. The second ringer has completed the circle.

Rung on the Feast of St. Thomas, Patron Saint.

DATCHWORTH SURPRISE MAJOR  
x 36 x 14 x 58 x 16 x 34 x 38 x 16 x 58  
2nds place. L.E. 3527486.

TOTTENHAM, MIDDLESEX.  
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.  
On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL HALLOWS.  
**A PEAL OF 5088 CUMBERLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. in F sharp.	
COLIN A. TESTER .. .. Treble	ALICK CUTLER .. .. 5
SUSAN J. NEWMAN .. .. 2	STANLEY G. PONTING .. 6
E. JANE SIBSON .. .. 3	FRANK J. MATTHEWS .. 7
OLIVE D. TESTER .. .. 4	DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. Tenor

Composed by D. KNOX.

Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

First peal in the method.

FRINDSBURY, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sun., Dec. 22, 1963, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 16 cwt.	
CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. Treble	BRIAN R. TRILL .. .. 5
DAVID S. OSENTON .. .. 2	LEONARD CROUCH .. .. 6
GILLIAN F. PARKES .. .. 3	CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 7
GEORGE PHILPOT .. .. 4	LESLIE B. DOBBIE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CYRIL S. JARRETT.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. L. B. Dobbie, wife of the tenor ringer.

CHISWICK, MIDDLESEX.  
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Mon., Dec. 23, 1963, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.  
**A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. in F.	
E. JANE SIBSON .. .. Treble	*KENNETH NEWMAN .. 5
DIANA M. LAWLESS .. 2	DEREK E. SIBSON .. 6
*SUSAN J. NEWMAN .. 3	ALAN J. FROST .. 7
*STANLEY G. PONTING .. 4	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN L. MORRIS.

Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

\* First peal in the method.

STONEY STANTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Tues., Dec. 24, 1963, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.  
**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.	
GEORGE E. VERNON .. .. Treble	DAVID G. WILFORD .. 5
MARTIN C. FAULKES .. 2	GEOFFREY M. BREWIN .. 6
JOHN VERNON .. .. 3	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. 7
ALAN E. HARTLEY .. 4	A. MAXWELL LINDSEY .. Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN.

Conducted by A. MAXWELL LINDSEY.

Rung as a silver wedding compliment to the Rector (Rev. H. E. Cadle) and Mrs. Cadle.

ST. BEES, CUMBERLAND.  
THE CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOC.  
On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.  
AT THE PRIORY CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND BEGA.  
**A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 10 lb. in F.	
MRS. L. BOUMPHREY .. Treble	ROGER W. D. WETENHALL .. 5
*MARJORIE E. PEARSON .. 2	STANLEY RICHARDSON .. 6
HARRY BYROM .. .. 3	ERNEST BOUMPHREY .. 7
† BRIAN STREET .. .. 4	LESLIE BOUMPHREY .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY.

Conducted by LESLIE BOUMPHREY.

\* First peal. † First in the method.

WESTERHAM, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.  
**A PEAL OF 5088 PETERBOROUGH SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 23 cwt. 17 lb. in E flat.	
JOHN O. WELLER .. .. Treble	ANDREW M. MACVE .. 5
ANDREW J. CORBY .. 2	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 6
CYRIL S. JARRETT .. 3	MARTIN L. HOWE .. 7
TREVOR A. CROSS .. 4	PHILIP A. CORBY .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE.

Conducted by PHILIP A. CORBY.

First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

LONDON, W.C.  
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT DANES, STRAND.  
**A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 21 cwt. 47 lb. in E.	
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. Treble	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 5
JOAN BERESFORD .. 2	DAVID E. HOUSE .. 6
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 3	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. 7
REV. GILES C. GALLEY .. 4	WILFRED WILLIAMS .. Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH.

Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

Rung after meeting short for Royal.

CUMBERLAND SURPRISE MAJOR  
56.34.56.14 x 58 x 36 x 14 x 38 x 12 x 18 L.e. 12 15738264.



## ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Dec. 27, 1963, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In nine methods, comprising 1,600 London, 960 Rutland, 640 Bristol and 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative, Wembley and Yorkshire; with 130 changes of method. Tenor 18 cwt, 95 lb. in E.

*ANTHONY D. SANSOM .. Treble	JOHN H. FIELDS .. 5
†MAYRL R. CROSTHWAITE .. 2	F. JOHN NELSON .. 6
NEIL BENNETT .. 3	DEREK BUTTERWORTH .. 7
CHRISTINE C. MACNAIR .. 4	FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN.

Conducted by NEIL BENNETT.

\* First peal of Surprise Major. † First of Spiced Surprise Major in nine methods.

## ERITH, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Dec. 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

## A PEAL OF 5024 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In two methods, comprising 3,520 London and 1,504 Bristol; with 56 changes of method, and all the work of each method for each bell.

Tenor 15 cwt, in G.

ANN JENNER .. Treble	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY .. 5
DORIS E. COLGATE .. 2	*IAN H. ORAM .. 6
FREDERICK J. CULIUM .. 3	*STANLEY JENNER .. 7
ANDREW J. CORBY .. 4	PHILIP A. CORBY .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER.

Conducted by PHILIP A. CORBY.

\* 50th peal together.

## DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Fri., Dec. 27, 1963, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt, 1 qr, 20 lb. in E flat.

CECIL W. PIPE .. Treble	LESLIE N. MELTON .. 5
ROGER L. K. WHITTELL .. 2	†RODERICK W. PIPE .. 6
*NEVILLE F. WHITTELL .. 3	GEORGE W. PIPE .. 7
B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. 4	GEORGE E. THODAY .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

\* First peal of London Surprise Major. † 350th peal.

## IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Dec. 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt, 1 qr, 4 lb. in G.

*MARY R. BLOXHAM .. Treble	†SHELACH R. COLLINS .. 5
DIANA M. LAWLESS .. 2	ALAN J. FROST .. 6
MURRAY A. COLEMAN .. 3	ARTHUR GIBBS .. 7
PETER M. FLECKNEY .. 4	A. PATRICK CANNON .. Tenor

Composed by A. P. HEYWOOD.

Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

\* First peal of Double Norwich. † 125th peal. The conductor's 125th peal of Double Norwich, rung in 124 different towers, and conducted 100.

## CAYTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. VINCENT.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

J. W. Washbrook's variation of Thurstans' Four-Part.

Tenor 10 cwt, 3 qr, 3 lb. in F.

GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. Treble	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. 5
JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. 2	JOHN WALDEN .. 6
CLAIRE DILLAMORE .. 3	JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. 7
PETER A. SHARP .. 4	H. LESLIE SQUIRES .. Tenor

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam John Cragg, of the tower and a foundation member of the Guild.

## CHIPPING NORTON, OXON.

## THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt, 1 qr, 4 lb. in F sharp.

IAN C. MAYCOCK .. Treble	DAVID J. ALLEN .. 5
PAMELA M. TURNER .. 2	MAURICE C. HUGHES .. 6
JENNIFER M. COOK .. 3	ANTONY R. KENCH .. 7
*C. MARTIN FOSTER .. 4	PETER S. BENNETT .. Tenor

Composed by W. BARTON.

Conducted by ANTONY R. KENCH.

\* First peal in the method.

## DAYBROOK, NOTTINGHAM.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt, 1 qr, 8 lb. in G.

SUSANNA POPPLESTON .. Treble	*JOHN C. SHONFELD .. 5
*C. RICHARD DAFT .. 2	RAYMOND BENFIELD .. 6
PETER J. HAWCOCK .. 3	PETER HUMPHREY .. 7
SIMON HUMPHREY .. 4	ROBERT PRESTON .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by RAYMOND BENFIELD.

\* First peal of Major 'inside.' Believed to be the first peal by an all-St. Leonard's, Wollaton, band.

## DEANE, BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

MARGARET E. FORT .. Treble	*JOSEPH THORNLEY .. 5
*PHILIP S. WOODS .. 2	BRIAN J. BULL .. 6
JOHN T. PARSONS .. 3	BERNARD MOSS .. 7
GEOFFREY FOTHERGILL .. 4	ALBERT GREENHALGH .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by BERNARD MOSS.

\* First peal on eight bells.

A compliment to the Vicar (Rev. K. M. Bishop) on his appointment as Hon. Canon of Manchester Cathedral.

## NEW ALRESFORD, HAMPSHIRE.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

## A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt, 102 lb. in F.

HILARY N. KIPPIN .. Treble	PETER J. JOYCE .. 5
*JOHN R. FAITHFULL .. 2	DAVID E. HOUSE .. 6
MARY S. TAYLOR .. 3	MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. 7
JOHN D. FAIRCLOTH .. 4	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

\* First peal in the method.

Rung with the best wishes of the band to Michael J. Thomas and Margaret A. Russell on their engagement.

## GREAT DUNMOW, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5184 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In six methods, being 1,728 Bristol, 1,344 London, 960 Rutland and 384 each of Cambridge, Superlative and Yorkshire; with 143 changes of method.

Tenor 21 cwt, 1 qr, 6 lb. in E.

PETER J. EVES .. Treble	DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. 5
JOE E. G. ROAST .. 2	*PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. 6
*IAN R. PANTON .. 3	*JAMES L. TOWLER .. 7
PATRICK W. SALTMARSH .. 4	HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE .. Tenor

Composed by DAVID W. BEARD.

Conducted by JOE E. G. ROAST.

\* First peal of 6-Spiced Surprise Major.

## HIGHAM FERRERS, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt, 3 qr, 17 lb. in E flat.

*FRANK E. COALES .. Treble	PETER M. FLECKNEY .. 5
†DIANA M. LAWLESS .. 2	MURRAY A. COLEMAN .. 6
A. PATRICK CANNON .. 3	JOHN H. BLUFF .. 7
SHELACH R. COLLINS .. 4	ALAN J. FROST .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE.

Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

\* First peal of Treble Bob Major. † 100th peal.

## HODNET, SHROPSHIRE.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt, 24 lb.

E. MARION KEY .. Treble	†JOHN F. ASIBURY .. 5
PETER MORRIS .. 2	FRANCIS BROTHERTON .. 6
*A. ELIZABETH TIMMINS .. 3	†DAVID CADWALLADER .. 7
BARNABAS G. KEY .. 4	†REMI M. HODISTER .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

\* First peal of Plain Bob Major. † First of Major.

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LEWISHAM, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,  
**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 21 cwt. in E flat.			
KATHARINE M. GUY..	Treble	WILLIAM J. RAWLINGS ..	5
*TONY LEWIS ..	2	DR. DAVID HOLLIS ..	6
BARBARA J. LEIGH ..	3	D. PAUL SMITH ..	7
†GEOFFREY CLARKE ..	4	‡ANDREW M. MACVE ..	Tenor

Composed by F. N. GOLDEN. Conducted by ANDREW M. MACVE.  
\* First peal of Major 'inside.' † First peal. ‡ First of Major in the method.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Barbara J. Leigh.

OLDHAM, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS, MOORSIDE,  
**A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 18 cwt. 18 lb. in E.			
DEREK BUTTERWORTH ..	Treble	*J. COLIN ASHWORTH ..	5
DAVID V. HODGSON ..	2	JOHN P. PARTINGTON ..	6
*JOHN F. BARLOW ..	3	PETER SCHOLFIELD ..	7
JEFFREY KERSHAW ..	4	*IVAN KAY ..	Tenor

Composed by H. POYNER. Conducted by DEREK BUTTERWORTH.  
\* First peal in the method.

A wedding compliment to Mr. David Brooks (son of the people's warden) and Miss Muriel Roston.

PERSHORE, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,  
AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS,  
**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 28 cwt. in D.			
PAUL CATTERMOLLE ..	Treble	R. ROGER SAVORY ..	5
*ARTHUR C. BERRY ..	2	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS ..	6
GEOFFREY J. HEMMING ..	3	GERALD C. HEMMING ..	7
ARTHUR V. PEARSON ..	4	MARTIN D. FELLOWS ..	Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by GEOFFREY J. HEMMING.  
\* First peal of Surprise. The conductor has now 'circled the tower.'

RAINHAM, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,  
**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 18 cwt. 20 lb. in E flat.			
CYRIL S. JARRETT ..	Treble	DAVID S. OSENTON ..	5
FRANCIS J. CHEAL ..	2	MARTIN L. HOWE ..	6
EVELYN M. T. CUMBERWORTH ..	3	CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON ..	7
EDWIN JENNER ..	4	JOHN W. COLEMAN ..	Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by CYRIL S. JARRETT.  
Rung in honour of the engagement of Keith Young, a member of the local band, and Maureen Howard.

WALLINGFORD, BERKSHIRE.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 3 Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-MORE,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Heywood's variation. Tenor 21½ cwt. in E flat.			
JACK BERRY ..	Treble	JAMES BLOND ..	5
ROBERT PARTRIDGE ..	2	ERIC DAVIES ..	6
WILLIAM IRVING ..	3	ROBERT BLOND ..	7
FRANK GODDEN ..	4	ERNEST GARRARD ..	Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT BLOND.  
Rung for the Christmas Festival; also to mark the 225th anniversary of the casting of the bells by the Whitechapel Foundry in 1638.

WICKEN, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.  
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST,  
**A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

C.C.C. No. 11. Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.			
FREDERICK C. CASE ..	Treble	WILLIAM A. YATES ..	5
WILLIAM J. CHESTER ..	2	†CHARLES E. TRUMAN ..	6
*THOMAS E. ROBERTS ..	3	GEORGE W. HOLLAND ..	7
JAMES LINNELL ..	4	*GEORGE E. GREEN ..	Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by GEORGE E. GREEN.  
\* First peal in the method. † First in the method 'inside.' First peal of Bristol for the Towcester Branch, of which all are ringing members.

ADLINGTON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sun., Dec. 29, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,  
**A PEAL OF 5024 EALING SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 13½ cwt.			
ALBERT GREENHALGH ..	Treble	GEOFFREY FOTHERGILL ..	5
CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE ..	2	MICHAEL ARROWSMITH ..	6
PHILIP CROSSTHWAITE ..	3	JOHN H. FIELDEN ..	7
MARYL CROSSTHWAITE ..	4	JOHN ASHCROFT ..	Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by JOHN ASHCROFT.  
First peal in the method for all.

ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Mon., Dec. 30, 1963, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED PLAIN MAJOR**

Comprising 2,016 each of Plain Bob and Little Bob, and 1,008 of St. Clement's C.B.; with 377 changes of method. Tenor 11½ cwt.			
RICHARD J. PARKER ..	Treble	J. BARRY PICKUP ..	5
PHILIP J. CROSSTHWAITE ..	2	ROGER LEIGH ..	6
MARYL R. CROSSTHWAITE ..	3	CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE ..	7
ANTHONY HELLIWELL ..	4	JOHN H. FIELDEN ..	Tenor

Arranged by G. E. FEARN. Conducted by CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE.  
Richard Parker has now 'circled the tower.' First peal in these methods for all the band.

FRINDSBURY, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Mon., Dec. 30, 1963, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,  
**A PEAL OF 5088 MONAGHAN SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt.			
*E. M. T. CUMBERWORTH ..	Treble	CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON ..	5
JOHN W. COLEMAN ..	2	†GEORGE COLLINS ..	6
CYRIL S. JARRETT ..	3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES ..	7
TREVOR A. CROSS ..	4	MARTIN L. HOWE ..	Tenor

Composed by S. IVIN. Conducted by MARTIN L. HOWE.  
\* First peal of Treble Bob. † 50th peal. First in the method by all the band, and in the county.

GRUNDISBURY, SUFFOLK.  
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.  
On Tues., Dec. 31, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES**

Tenor 8 cwt. 23 lb. in G.			
CLIFFORD R. LOVETT ..	Treble	SYLVIA R. E. PPIE ..	5
MICHAEL DANIELS ..	2	GEORGE W. PIPE ..	6
BRENDA DOWNING ..	3	ROBERT DOWNING ..	7
FRANK WILLIS-BETTS ..	4	CECIL W. PIPE ..	Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD. Conducted by CECIL W. PIPE.  
Rung half-muffled for the passing of the old year.

SALISBURY, WILTSHIRE.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Tues., Dec. 31, 1963, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS-OF-CANTERBURY,  
**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 28 cwt. in D.			
YVONNE L. ELOIE ..	Treble	REGINALD T. JONES ..	5
LESLIE A. PAGE ..	2	EDWARD C. READ ..	6
I. ANN ABRAHAMS ..	3	REV. ROGER KEELEY ..	7
RAYMOND HAINES ..	4	RONALD N. MARLOW ..	Tenor

Composed by E. W. TIPLER. Conducted by REV. ROGER KEELEY.  
Arranged by HAROLD A. ROLES, Tower Captain.  
Rung as a farewell to the Rev. Canon Pendennis J. Hayes, Vicar for 25 years, upon his retirement this day.

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Tues., Dec. 31, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,  
**A PEAL OF 5024 LLANFIHANGELRHYDEITHON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in F.			
*ROGER I. KENDRICK ..	Treble	†BRIAN G. WARWICK ..	5
REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE ..	2	KEITH H. MILDRED ..	6
*DAN S. PONT ..	3	JOSEPH W. COTTON ..	7
CAROL I. V. CORTON ..	4	B. STEDMAN PAYNE ..	Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY (No. 21).  
Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.  
\* First peal of Treble Bob. † 700th peal on tower bells. First in the method.

THROWLEY, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Tues., Dec. 31, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,  
**A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb. in F sharp.			
JOSEPHINE HARDY ..	Treble	MARK W. MARSHALL ..	5
E. JANE SIBSON ..	2	JOHN C. BALDWIN ..	6
*PAULINE FENNELL ..	3	DEREK E. SIBSON ..	7
*NICHOLAS J. DAVIES ..	4	DENNIS A. CHAPMAN ..	Tenor

Composed by JOHN L. MORRIS. Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.  
\* First peal in the method.

LLANFIHANGELRHYDEITHON SURPRISE MAJOR  
x 36 x 14 x 58 x 36 x 14 x 1258 x 36 x 78 L.E. 12 1573  
F.C.E.'s 32465, 43265.



## DEREHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Jan. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

## A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt. 106 lb. in E flat.

ARTHUR G. BASON .. .. Treble	NOLAN GOLDEN .. .. 5
*ELIZABETH BIRMINGHAM .. .. 2	GEORGE P. ADAMS .. .. 6
†TIMOTHY G. PETT .. .. 3	BERT GOGIE .. .. 7
†KEVIN S. HOHL .. .. 4	H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

\* First peal of Major and 'inside.' † First in the method.

## GREAT BADDOW, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Jan. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

## A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 144 cwt. in F sharp.

PETER G. BROWN .. .. Treble	*PETER J. CAME .. .. 5
*ALISON M. MANN .. .. 2	JOE E. G. ROAST .. .. 6
†MICHAEL J. COWLING .. .. 3	PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. 7
RICHARD J. HARRISON .. .. 4	PATRICK W. SALTMARSH .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSLOW. Conducted by JOE E. G. ROAST.

\* First peal of Surprise 'inside.' † First in the method. ‡ 100th peal.

## HEDON, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Jan. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE.

## A PEAL OF 5184 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in E.

*GRAHAM K. SMITH .. .. Treble	PETER FENNEY .. .. 5
IAN G. CAMPBELL .. .. 2	JOHN WEAVER .. .. 6
RONALD H. DOVE .. .. 3	F. CHARLES HOBSON .. .. 7
DINAH M. BLOW .. .. 4	C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. E. BASON. Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

\* First peal.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## COLLINGHAM, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 19 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In three methods, viz.: (1 and 2) Southrepps, (3 and 4) Kent, (5, 6 and 7) Plain Bob.

ANTHONY O. SHEARD .. .. Treble	RONALD H. DOVE .. .. 4
DINAH M. BLOW .. .. 2	*JOHN WEAVER .. .. 5
PETER FENNEY .. .. 3	C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

\* 25th peal for the Association.

## KIRK DEIGHTON, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in G.

C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. Treble	ANTHONY O. SHEARD .. .. 4
*LINDA E. F. JONES .. .. 2	†JOHN WEAVER .. .. 5
DINAH M. BLOW .. .. 3	PETER FENNEY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

\* First peal. † 25th peal. 25th peal as conductor.

## SEND, SURREY.

## THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Chertsey District.)

On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being an extent each of Oxford Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Single Oxford, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

RUPERT CAPORN .. .. Treble	DENNIS G. BLOWS .. .. 4
JILL M. MAY .. .. 2	JOHN F. M. MAYBRYE .. .. 5
ROY COLLINS .. .. 3	DOUGLAS A. R. MAY .. Tenor

Conducted by DOUGLAS A. R. MAY.

Rung in thanksgiving for the restoration of the church following the serious damage by fire on Easter Saturday.

## ROYSTON, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Dec. 16, 1963, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In three methods, being 30 extents of Southrepps, three of April Day and nine of Plain Bob.

JANICE M. SMITH .. .. Treble	*ANTHONY E. STAMP .. .. 4
JEFFREY J. FOX .. .. 2	†C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. 5
DINAH M. BLOW .. .. 3	JOHN WEAVER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

\* 25th peal. † 25th peal together.

## FELKIRK, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Dec. 17, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, viz.: (1) Single Oxford, (2) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, (3) Kennington, (4) Oxford T.B., (5) Kent T.B., (6) Southrepps, (7) Plain Bob.

SHEILA A. CHINNERY .. .. Treble	*JOHN WEAVER .. .. 4
DINAH M. BLOW .. .. 2	*C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. 5
PETER FENNEY .. .. 3	JEFFREY J. FOX .. .. Tenor

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

\* 25th peal together.

A birthday compliment to the father of the ringer of the fourth.

## KIRKTHORPE, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Dec. 18, 1963, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In six methods, being seven extents each of Reverse Canterbury, Kennington, Grandsire, April Day, Southrepps and Plain Bob.

PETER FENNEY .. .. Treble	JOHN WEAVER .. .. 3
DINAH M. BLOW .. .. 2	C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. 4

RONALD H. DOVE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

A 21st birthday compliment to Anthony E. Stamp.

## HAGLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb. in A.

MAURICE C. HUGHES .. Treble	PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. 4
*MALCOLM A. PHILLIPS .. 2	DAVID J. ALLEN .. .. 5
KEITH F. GARDNER .. .. 3	PETER S. BENNETT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER S. BENNETT.

\* First peal 'inside.'

Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Roger E. Tallis.

## WOODLESFORD, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 14 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 11 methods, being two extents of Stedman and four each of Grand-sire, Winchendon, St. Nicholas', St. Martin's, St. Simon's, April Day, Reverse Canterbury, Kennington, Southrepps, Plain Bob.

DINAH M. BLOW .. .. Treble	JOHN WEAVER .. .. 3
PETER FENNEY .. .. 2	RONALD H. DOVE .. .. 4

C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

Most methods to a peal by all the band.

## GROBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Dec. 23, 1963, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILIP AND JAMES.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in eight methods: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Kent Treble Bob, (3) Oxford Treble Bob, (4) Childwall and St. Clement's Bob, (5) Plain and Double Bob, (6) Double Oxford Bob, (7) Plain Bob.

*TREVOR HODGKINSON .. Treble	DAN S. PONT .. .. 4
†BRIAN G. WARWICK .. .. 2	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. 5
REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. 3	KEITH H. MILDRED .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

\* First peal. † 850th peal.

## LONG STRATTON, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Dec. 24, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven differently-called extents. Tenor 94 cwt.

CHARLES H. BLAKE .. .. Treble	WILFRED G. SAUNDERS .. .. 4
BETTY SYRETT .. .. 2	FRANK C. J. ARNOLD .. .. 5
H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. .. 3	C. FRANK W. PHILLIPPO .. Tenor

Conducted by C. FRANK W. PHILLIPPO.

## BROMYARD, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In five methods: (1) College Single, (2) Single Court, (3) Rev. Canterbury Pleasure, (4 and 5) Single Oxford, (6 and 7) Plain Bob.

*E. CHARLES BIGGS .. .. Treble	THOMAS COOPER .. .. 4
C. WILLIAM NUTT .. .. 2	JOHN CLEMENTS .. .. 5
JAMES WARD .. .. 3	R. GEORGE MORRIS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN CLEMENTS.

\* First peal in five methods of Minor.



# GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 1 Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of London Surprise, Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, St. Clement's, Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob.

CECIL W. PIPE .. .. .	Treble	LESLIE N. MELTON .. .. .	4
NEVILLE F. WHITTELL .. .. .	2	RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. .	5
B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. .. .	3	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. .	Tenor

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

# LEEDS, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In two methods, viz.: (1, 2 and 3) Southrepps, (4, 5, 6 and 7) Plain Bob.

GEOFFREY D. ARMITAGE .. Treble	RONALD H. DOVE .. .. .	4
*PETER LOUTH .. .. .	C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. .	5
JOHN WEAVER .. .. .	PETER FENNEY .. .. .	Tenor

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

\* First peal 'inside.' First on this particular 'six' in the tower.

# SWITHLAND, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven variations of calling.		Tenor 12½ cwt.
RAYMOND R. BROWN .. ..	<i>Treble</i> 2	N. ROD ELLWAY .. .. 4
RICHARD A. COBLEY .. ..	3	MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. .. 5
BRIAN C. LAW .. ..	3	*MICHAEL W. BROWN.. .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by MICHAEL W. BROWN.

\* 75th peal.

# WYE, KENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. GREGORY AND MARTIN.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents, each differently called.

CHRISTINE M. FULLER .. Treble	IAN V. J. SMITH .. .. .	4
ANN HARRIS .. .. .	THOS. M. BARLOW .. .. .	5
HERBERT W. WOOLVEN .. .. .	ALAN R. BALDOCK .. .. .	Tenor

Conducted by ALAN R. BALDOCK.

Rung for the Feast of St. Stephen.

# ASTBURY, CHESHIRE. THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Dec. 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5760 MINOR

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

F. GEORGE FORRESTER .. Treble	ERNEST PIMLOTT .. .. .	4
VICTOR STONIER .. .. .	BARRY CORBISHLEY .. .. .	5
ROY WORRALL .. .. .	HARRY W. HOWARD .. .. .	Tenor

Conducted by HARRY W. HOWARD.

Rung for the Feast of St. Stephen.

# CUCKNEY, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE. THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Dec. 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two 720's each of Kent T.B. and Oxford T.B., and one 720 each of Cambridge S., St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

*DAVID WHELTON .. Treble	*MICHAEL G. FOSTER .. .. .	4
DENNIS SMEDLEY .. .. .	FRANK COOKE .. .. .	5
GEORGE CHALLANS .. .. .	HERBERT T. ROOKE .. .. .	Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT T. ROOKE.

\* First peal in five methods.

# EDGMOND, SHROPSHIRE. THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Dec. 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.		Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 12 lb. in G.
FRANK BEECH, JUN. . . . .	<i>Treble</i>	GEORGE E. MORRALL . . . . . 4
HORACE R. TOOGOOD . . . . .	2	ALBERT J. MORREY . . . . . 5
ERNEST C. MORRALL . . . . .	3	DAVID W. FRIEND . . . . . <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by FRANK BEECH, JUN.

# HARWORTH, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Dec. 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge, Oxford and Kent, and two each of St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

*FLORENCE CHESTER .. Treble	FREDK. J. JACKSON .. .. .	4
*P. WILLIAM BRETT .. .. .	HAROLD WAGSTAFF .. .. .	5
*ROGER A. SMITH .. .. .	JOHN E. COOK .. .. .	Tenor

Conducted by JOHN E. COOK.

\* First peal in five methods.

# PECKLETON, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Dec. 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE.

## A PEAL OF 5040 BOURNE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven 720's.		Tenor 10 cwt. in A.	
GEORGE L. PICKERING ..	Treble	K. PAUL GILLIVER .. ..	4
*CHRISTOPHER M. STURGESS ..	2	JOHN VERNON .. ..	5
CHRISTINE J. STRATFORD ..	3	MICHAEL E. BROWN .. ..	Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

\* First peal. First in the method by all the band. First of Surprise on the bells.

# SNITTERFIELD, WARWICKSHIRE. THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Dec. 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES-THE-GREAT.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being one extent each of London, Wells, Durham, York, Beverley, Surfleet and Cambridge.

*PAMELA M. TURNER .. Treble	SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. .	4
†HAZEL A. ARROWSMITH .. 2	PETER S. BENNETT .. .. .	5
*JENNIFER M. COOK .. .. .	IAN C. MAYCOCK .. .. .	Tenor

Conducted by PETER S. BENNETT.

\* First peal in seven methods. † First of Surprise Minor.

# WHETSTONE, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Dec. 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5280 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in 40 methods: (1) Plain Bob, (2) April Day, (3) Seighford, (4) Besthorpe, (5) Old, (6) Kennington, (7) St. Simon, (8) Eynsham, (9) Elford, (10) Shropham, (11) Cassington, (12) St. Albans, (13) St. Martin, (14) St. Leonard, (15) Austrey, (16) Mileham, (17) St. Peter, (18) St. Paul, (19) Stedman, (20) Grandsire, (21) Reverse St. Bartholomew, (22) Rushall, (23) Southrepps, (24) Clifford's Pleasure, (25) Costessy, (26) Little Aston, (27) St. Colum, (28) Reverse Canterbury, (29) St. Giles, (30) St. Andrew, (31) Shreshill, (32) Norwich, (33) St. Thomas, (34) St. Nicholas, (35 and 36) St. Miles, (37) St. John, (38) Ryton, (39) Walsingham, (40) St. Luke, (41) Winchendon Place, (42) St. John.

BRIAN G. WARWICK .. Treble	RONALD CHAPMAN .. .. .	4
MICHAEL W. BROWN .. .. .	MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. .. .	5
RICHARD A. COBLEY .. .. .	FREDERICK WATSON .. .. .	Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

Rung on the Feast of St. John, A. and E.

# WISBOROUGH GREEN, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Dec. 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER-AD-VINCULA.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.		Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb.
ANDREW C. STEVENS.. ..	<i>Treble</i>	*BRIAN W. G. ELLIOTT .. 4
PHILIP STEVENS .. .. .	2	BRYAN C. BURROUGH .. 5
EDWARD F. FOSBERY .. ..	3	BERNARD E. MATTHEWS .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by BERNARD E. MATTHEWS.

\* First peal 'inside.'

# ADDINGTON, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In five methods: (1) Single Oxford, (2) Cambridge, (3 and 4) Kent T.B., (5) St. Clement's, (6 and 7) Plain Bob.		Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb.
BARBARA J. LEIGH .. .. Treble	*TONY LEWIS .. .. .	4
KATHARINE M. GUY .. .. 2	D. PAUL SMITH .. .. .	5
MARGARET C. GODFREY .. 3	ANDREW M. MACVE .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by ANDREW M. MACVE.

\* First peal in five methods 'inside.'

# ASFORDBY, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being extents of Oxford Bob, Double Court, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., St. Clement's Bob and Plain Bob.

J. HARRY COOK .. Treble	BRIAN G. WARWICK .. .. .	4
*MRS. M. STIMSON .. .. .	MICHAEL T. STIMSON .. .. .	5
MRS. W. M. WARWICK .. 3	ROLAND H. COOK .. .. .	Tenor

Conducted by ROLAND H. COOK.

\* First peal of Minor. 25th peal on the bells.

Rung for the Festival of Christmas.



**BELTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 12 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,**  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being an extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

JOHN POTTS .. .. . Treble	ALAN SHEPPARD .. .. . 4
J. MARTIN THORLEY .. .. . 2	KENNETH B. SISSONS .. .. . 5
MELVYN A. ROSE .. .. . 3	JOHN F. UNDERWOOD .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

The tenor ringer has now 'completed the circle.'

An eighth birthday compliment to Carol M. Sheppard.

**BLADINGTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

Being 42 six-scores. Tenor 9½ cwt. in G.

*SHIRLEY COULING .. .. . Treble	REGINALD G. HOOPER .. .. . 4
†LEONARD C. DOWDESWELL .. .. . 2	BRYNLEY A. SHACKLETON .. .. . 5
*FREDERICK S. C. RIX .. .. . 3	*ARTHUR R. PEARCE .. .. . Tenor

Jointly Conducted by REGINALD G. HOOPER and BRYNLEY A. SHACKLETON.

\*First peal attempt. †First of Grandsire Doubles. Believed to be the first peal on the bells.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Dowdeswell on the occasion of their 30th wedding anniversary.

**BRANSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.**  
**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,**

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, viz.: Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Single Court, St. Clement's, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb. in F sharp.

FREDERICK J. JACKSON .. Treble	LOUIS WILLDERS .. .. . 4
*W. STANLEY SMITH .. .. . 2	JOHN E. COOK .. .. . 5
*ANGUS G. DIXON .. .. . 3	RONALD APPLEWHITE .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN E. COOK.

\*25th peal together.

Rung on the 34th anniversary of the first peal on the bells by a resident band (Saturday, December 28th, 1929).

**COITY, GLAMORGAN.**  
**THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

Being one 240 and 40 six-scores. Tenor 11 cwt.

TREVOR J. FROLEY .. .. . Treble	HAROLD PREECE .. .. . 4
ARIHUR W. THOMAS .. .. . 2	PAUL M. EVANS .. .. . 5
WILLIAM T. PETTY .. .. . 3	LEWIS GROOM .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM T. PETTY.

Rung for the wedding of Anne Watkins and David Lloyd, which took place at this church prior to the peal.

**COUND, SHROPSHIRE.**  
**THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION**

(St. Oswald Society.)

*On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being extents of Double Oxford, Thelwall, St. Clement's, Childwall, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.

Tenor 11½ cwt. in F.

*REV. MICHAEL S. HART .. Treble	*ROGER W. POWELL .. .. . 4
*DEREK B. WILLIAMS .. .. . 2	F. HECTOR BENNETT .. .. . 5
ROGER B. MORRIS .. .. . 3	*IAN FRIEND .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by F. HECTOR BENNETT.

\*First peal in seven Minor methods. First in seven methods as conductor. Rung for the Festival of Christmas.

**GREAT BROMLEY, ESSEX.**  
**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent of Oxford Bob, two of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Kent Treble Bob and two of Plain Bob.

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN H. GOULD .. .. . Treble	PHILIP G. ERITH .. .. . 4
*SUSAN WENDEN .. .. . 2	FELIX H. ERITH .. .. . 5
ALAN R. ANDREWS .. .. . 3	ADRIAN SEMKEN .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by ALAN R. ANDREWS.

\*First peal.

**LEWTRENCHARD, DEVON.**

*On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

Being 42 extents (ten callings). Tenor 8 cwt.

D. ROY BOULD .. .. . Treble	JOHN H. BENOY .. .. . 4
MARGARET A. BOULD .. .. . 2	WILFRED C. BOUCHER .. .. . 5
HORACE HICKS .. .. . 3	T. LESLIE CUNDY .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by D. ROY BOULD.

Rung to mark the occasion of the christening of Jonathan Russell Pollinger, which took place at the Parish Church, Lifton, earlier this day.

**KIRK DEIGHTON, YORKSHIRE.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,**  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In four methods, viz.: One extent of Cambridge Surprise and two each of Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in G.

CHARLES H. MAXFIELD .. Treble	JOHN A. BROWN .. .. . 4
MRS. H. D. HOLLAND .. .. . 2	EDWARD HUDSON .. .. . 5
*CYRIL F. SUTCLIFFE .. .. . 3	†H. DAVID HOLLAND .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by H. DAVID HOLLAND.

\*First peal of Minor. †151st peal.

A wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Moxfield.

**NORTH MUSKHAM, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE:**  
**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 32 extents of Grandsire and ten of Stedman.

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in F sharp.

FREDERICK G. HOOPER .. Treble	HAROLD STEVENSON .. .. . 4
MARGARET E. CHILTON .. .. . 2	F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER .. .. . 5
ANNE E. BATESON .. .. . 3	CHARLES J. COPP .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK G. HOOPER.

Rung for Christmastide; also as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Hooper on the tenth anniversary of their wedding.

**PATSHULL, STAFFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**

*On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 18 lb.

*DAVID R. HAWKSWORTH Treble	E. MARION KEY .. .. . 4
*PHILLIP R. JOHNSON .. .. . 2	BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. . 5
*REMI M. HODISTER .. .. . 3	ROGER L. HAWKSWORTH .. Tenor

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

\*First peal.

**WARSOP, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.**

**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent each of Single Court, Single Oxford, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 14½ cwt.

*MICHAEL G. FOSTER .. Treble	DENNIS SMEDLEY .. .. . 4
*DAVID WHETTON .. .. . 2	DOUGLAS H. ROOKE .. .. . 5
GEORGE CHALLANS .. .. . 3	HERBERT T. ROOKE .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT T. ROOKE.

\*First peal in seven methods.

**WENTWORTH, YORKSHIRE.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

(Sheffield and District Society.)

*On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 42 extents in 21 methods: 240 each of Stedman, St. Nicholas', St. Giles', St. Miles', St. John's, Winchendon Place, Eynsham, St. Simon's, St. Paul's, St. Leonard's, St. Martin's, Southrepps Pleasure, Clifford's Pleasure, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Candlesby, Old Bob, Kennington, April Day, Plain Bob, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Grandsire.

Tenor 10 cwt. 12 lb. in G.

DAVID ARCHER .. .. . Treble	MICHAEL KING .. .. . 4
ANDREW KING .. .. . 2	MICHAEL R. MEADOWS .. .. . 5
M. ALEC BEAUMONT .. .. . 3	ALEC BEAUMONT .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL R. MEADOWS.

First peal in 21 methods/variations by all the band.

Rung by members of the Sunday service band to mark the end of the centenary year of the casting of the bells.

**WHITTINGTON-IN-LONSDALE, LANCASHIRE.**

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb. in G.

JAMES E. DICKINSON .. Treble	NICHOLAS M. NEWBY, JUN. .. 4
NICHOLAS M. NEWBY .. .. . 2	THOMAS F. METCALFE .. .. . 5
WILFRED BOLTON .. .. . 3	ALAN CAPSTICK .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by ALAN CAPSTICK.

First peal on the bells since January 21st, 1933.

Rung for the Christmas Festival.

**WINTHORPE, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.**

**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS AND THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

Being 42 extents of 120's (ten callings). Tenor 9 cwt.

RUTH BLACKSHAW .. Treble	†MARGARET E. CHILTON .. 4
MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 2	SYDNEY ADAMS .. .. . 5
*ELISABETH A. TUTTY .. .. . 3	F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER .. Tenor

Conducted by SYDNEY ADAMS.

\*First peal of Grandsire Doubles. †25th peal for the Guild.

A wedding compliment to Florence M. Shaw (godmother of the fourth ringer) and Peter Kearney, married in London earlier this day.



WISTASTON, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents.

TERENCE E. TRICKETT .. Treble	HERBERT SUTTON .. 4
JAMES S. BAKER .. 2	JOHN E. BROUGH .. 5
*WILFRED KERR .. 3	FRANK R. MORTON .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK R. MORTON.

\* First peal on six bells.

ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sun., Dec. 29, 1963, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents.

ANTHONY J. HELLIWELL .. Treble	ROGER LEIGH .. 4
*JOHN L. RILEY .. 2	RICHARD J. PARKER .. 5
JOHN T. PARSONS .. 3	J. BARRY PICKUP .. Tenor

Conducted by J. BARRY PICKUP.

\* First peal.

LOWICK, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.  
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sun., Dec. 29, 1963, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven 720's, all 5-6's at backstroke.

SHELAGH R. COLLINS .. Treble	PETER M. FLECKNEY .. 4
*JOHN G. MITCHELL .. 2	MICHAEL J. STALEY .. 5
FRANK E. COALES .. 3	A. PATRICK CANNON .. Tenor

Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

\* First peal 'inside.' First of Surprise on the bells.

Rung in memory of the Rev. D. Alex Jones, president of the Thrapston Branch of the P.D.G. from 1935-55, who died on December 11th.

HIGHAM-ON-THE-HILL, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Mon., Dec. 30, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven 720's.

CHRISTOPHER P. RICE .. Treble	†CHRISTOPHER M. STURGESS .. 4
*STEWART H. J. EDWARDS .. 2	K. PAUL GILLIVER .. 5
†BRIAN L. BURROWS .. 3	MICHAEL E. BROWN .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

\* First peal of Minor. † 25th peal. ‡ First of Cambridge.

MUCH DEWCHURCH, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(The Hereford Cathedral School Society.)  
On Mon., Dec. 30, 1963, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DAVID.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being ten extents of Grandsire, eight of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure

*PETER D. S. CALIGARI .. Treble	MARCUS C. W. SHERWOOD .. 4
PETER D. SELL .. 2	JOHN F. I. TURNEY .. 5
DAVID M. MORTON .. 3	KENNETH S. W. MORTON .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN F. I. TURNEY.

\* First peal. First as conductor. First in five methods for all the band, and first of Doubles for all except the conductor. First peal on tower bells for the Hereford Cathedral School Society. The average age of the band is 15 years and 1 month.

NORTH PETHERWIN, DEVON.  
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.  
On Mon., Dec. 30, 1963, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In three methods, being ten extents of Stedman. 12 of Plain Bob. 20

D. ROY BOULD .. Treble	††EDGAR NUNN .. 4
*MARGARET A. BOULD .. 2	HARRY STACEY .. 5
*WILFRED C. BOUCHER .. 3	†T. LESLIE CUNDY .. Tenor

Conducted by D. ROY BOULD.

\* First peal 'inside.' † First in three methods. ‡ First of Doubles. First in three methods as conductor.

Rung to mark the christening of two great-grandchildren of the captain of the tower; also belated birthday compliments to René Stacey and Leslie Cundy.

WHITTLEBURY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.  
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Mon., Dec. 30, 1963, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

Being 42 extents (ten callings).

CHARLES E. TRUMAN .. Treble	JOHN LINFORD .. 3
WILLIAM A. YATES .. 2	JAMES LINNELL .. 4
GEORGE W. HOLLAND .. Tenor	

Conducted by WILLIAM A. YATES.

The ringers of treble and 2 have 'completed the circle.'

HINTON BLEWITT, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Dec. 31, 1963, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES**

Being 42 extents.

FREDERICK H. ANDREWS .. Treble	J. SONDR A. D. GAY .. 3
*RUTH E. GAY .. 2	PHILIP W. GAY .. 4

ROGER J. GAY .. Tenor

Conducted by PHILIP W. GAY.

\* First peal. First as conductor. First of Plain Bob Doubles by all the band.

NETTLEHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Tues., Dec. 31, 1963, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb. in G.

JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. Treble	EDWARD W. COLLEY .. 4
JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. 2	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. 5
WILLIAM R. PARKER .. 3	PETER A. SHARP .. Tenor

Composed by REV. E. BANKES JAMES.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

EXHALL-BY-COVENTRY, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Wed., Jan. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.

**A PEAL OF 5040 EXHALL DELIGHT MINOR**

Being seven extents.

IAN P. UNSWORTH .. Treble	KEITH F. GARDNER .. 4
DAVID J. ALLEN .. 2	IAN C. MAYCOCK .. 5
GEORGE P. HAMMOND .. 3	WILLIAM A. STOTE .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM A. STOTE.

Believed to be the first time this method has been rung as a peal or part of a peal.

Rung to welcome the New Year.

LANGLEYBURY, HERTFORDSHIRE.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Wed., Jan. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

In 11 methods, being one extent each of Lightfoot and Wearmouth (11 changes of method), Beverley and Surflet (12 changes), London and Wells (12 changes), Cambridge and Primrose (12 changes), Bourne, York and Norwich.

BRIAN M. BARKER .. Treble	MARTYN L. J. JORDAN .. 4
WALTER AYRE .. 2	D. KAY ADKINS .. 5
*GERALD PENNEY .. 3	KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal in 11 methods.

For the Feast of the Circumcision.

**HANDBELL PEALS**

BUSHEY HEATH, HERTFORDSHIRE.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sun., Dec. 29, 1963, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes.

AT 39, TITIAN AVENUE.

**A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In ten methods, comprising 960 of Rutland, 640 each of Bristol, London, Watford and Wembley, and 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire; with 139 changes of method.

Tenor size 15 in C.

S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN .. 1-2	JOHN R. MAYNE .. 5-6
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY .. 3-4	ROGER BALDWIN .. 7-8

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sun., Dec. 29, 1963, in 1 Hour and 43 Minutes.

IN THE BEEFRY OF THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents.

*BARBARA M. GOODSPEED .. 1-2	GERALD PENNEY .. 3-4
KENNETH J. DARVILL .. 5-6	

Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

\* First handbell peal.

DANBURY, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.  
On Mon., Dec. 30, 1963, in 2 Hours.

AT KIWSET, MILL LANE.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents.

PATRICK W. SALTmarsh .. 1-2	HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE .. 3-4
JOE E. G. ROAST .. 5-6	

Conducted by HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE.

RETFORD, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.  
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Mon., Dec. 30, 1963, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes.

AT 9, RICHMOND ROAD.

**A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 15 in C.

*MARY C. POYNER .. 1-2	ROBIN HEPPENSTALL .. 5-6
HARRY POYNER .. 3-4	†DAVID L. CHAMBERS .. 7-8

Composed by F. H. DEXTER.

Conducted by HARRY POYNER.

\* 200th peal. † First of Major.



# QUARTER PEALS

**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Carol Cousins (first of Surprise) 1, E. G. H. Godfrey 2, P. J. Milton 3, Margaret Godfrey 4, C. H. Macve 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6. First of Surprise by the Sunday service band. Also on Dec. 29th, 1,320 St. Clement's Bob Minor: Margaret C. Godfrey 1, Carol Cousins (first in method 'inside') 2, R. Rayfield 3, C. H. Macve 4, E. G. H. Godfrey (first as cond.) 5, A. M. Macve 6. For Evensong.

**ALVERSTOKE, HANTS.**—On Dec. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Delia F. Leslie 1, Mary Boughard 2, F. G. Barron 3, C. E. Mugford (first 'inside') 4, H. A. Nobes (cond.) 5, C. Philpott 6. For Evensong.

**ARDLEIGH, ESSEX.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. Hughes 1, Janet Semken 2, C. Hughes 3, F. H. Erith 4, A. G. Semken 5, P. G. Erith (cond.) 6. For Midnight Mass.

**ASTON, HERTS.**—On Dec. 28th, 1,440 Surprise Minor (London, Cambridge): G. Austin 1, S. Huckle 2, E. Edmondson 3, P. J. Coles 4, M. L. J. Jordan 5, G. Penney (cond.) 6.

**AXBRIDGE, SOMERSET.**—On Nov. 30th, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): G. Prescott (cond.) 1, Marjorie Legg 2, E. Lee 3, S. Smith 4, W. Kingcott 5, J. Baker 6.

**BATHAMPTON, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles: Miss M. Stubbs (first quarter) 1, Mrs. J. Stubbs 2, Miss M. Viner 3, K. Harrison 4, E. Goater (first as cond.) 5, R. M. Stubbs 6.

**BECCLES, SUFFOLK.**—On Dec. 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: C. Bailey 1, N. P. J. Cossey 2, M. Parker 3, E. R. Goate (cond.) 4, G. Walpole 5, T. Brock 6, Miss D. Constance 7, R. C. L. Brown 8, R. W. Bickers 9, H. W. Barratt 10. Rung for the induction service of the Rev. Malcolm D. Sutton.

**BEDDINGTON, SURREY.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Kathleen Weller 1, Jean Lavender 2, R. Finch 3, J. Schofield 4, S. Kimber 5, M. Chilcott (cond.) 6, F. Darby 7, R. Talbot 8.

**BENHILTON, SURREY.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Lear 1, E. Mary Turner 2, M. Anne Burton 3, R. J. Lear 4, P. W. S. Richardson (cond.) 5, D. T. Haine 6. For Evensong.

**BITTON, GLOS.**—On Dec. 14th, 1,344 Xenia Surprise Major: M. J. Hobbs 1, Gillian M. Hussey 2, Jennifer Taylor 3, P. Bridle 4, D. M. Sawyer 5, D. J. Hunt (cond.) 6, J. R. Taylor 7, P. M. J. Gray 8.

**BLEBURY, BERKS.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Corderoy 1, H. W. Dunsden 2, H. Wells 3, E. J. Grace 4, A. R. T. Greenough 5, R. B. Blond (cond.) 6, C. Corderoy 7, P. Corderoy 8. For Matins.

**BOURNEMOUTH, HANTS.**—At St. Peter's on Dec. 26th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: G. W. Elmes (first on 8) 1, Judith Robertson 2, Mrs. F. J. Marshall 3, W. T. Godfrey 4, R. W. G. Robertson 5, A. C. Conway 6, E. F. Gilbert 7, J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 8.

**BRISTOL.**—At St. Mary Redcliffe on Nov. 25th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: Mrs. A. Burcher (first quarter) 1, N. Hancock (first quarter) 2, C. Rawlings 3, Miss M. D. Hancock 4, S. Badman 5, D. Helliwell 6, M. J. Hancock 7, W. Abraham 8, E. F. Hancock (cond.) 9, S. Gillett 10. Half-muffled by the Redcliffe Guild in memoriam John F. Kennedy of United States of America.

**BRISTOL.**—At the Cathedral on Christmas Day, 1,259 Grandsire Triples: Anne Burcher (first on 8) 1, B. C. J. Padfield (first on 8 'inside') 2, R. S. Alsop 3, W. Slocombe 4, D. C. Exell 5, Kathleen M. Exell 6, D. J. Hunt (cond.) 7, D. Burcher (first quarter) 8. Also at St. Matthew's, Kingsdown on Dec. 27th, 2,450 Grandsire Triples: P. Williams (first quarter) 1, A. Tubb 2, M. M. Powell 3, M. J. Hobbs 4, H. Taysom 5, P. Bridle 6, D. J. Hunt (cond.) 7, F. C. Mogford 8.

**BURTON, HANTS.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, Plain Bob and Grandsire): A. Reeves 1, J. Queen 2, K. Sansom (cond.) 3, K. Tipper 4, D. White 5, A. Mariner 6.

**BURNHAM, BUCKS.**—On Dec. 14th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: P. R. Dean 1, Frances Proctor (first of Major) 2, H. Oglesby 3, E. G. Swift 4, G. W. Limmer 5, Jennifer Seeny 6, N. Belson 7, G. Riglar (cond.) 8.

**CANFORD MAGNA, DORSET.**—On Dec. 20th, 1,260 Doubles (Ascension and Plain Bob): Barbara A. Furness 1, Sandra M. Pitman (11) 2, M. J. Young 3, W. J. Foot 4, H. I. Pitman (cond.) 5, Joanna Wieg 6. First in two methods 1, 2 and 6. A first wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. R. G. W. Robertson.

**CAVENDISH, SUFFOLK.**—On Dec. 14th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: D. Murrell 1, S. Twitcheit 2, J. Goodwin 3, R. Palmer 4, A. Barber (cond.) 5, G. Lucas 6.

**CRANBROOK, KENT.**—On Christmas Day, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Cousins (first quarter) 1, Margaret Grantham (first 'inside') 2, A. Leevess 3, G. Piper 4, M. Legg (cond.) 5, I. Perry 6.

**CROPTHORNE, WORCS.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): R. Stevens (first quarter) 1, R. Cole 2, A. Collet (first quarter) 3, I. Lloyd 4, A. Berry (cond.) 5, E. Bick 6.

**DEDDINGTON, OXON.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. N. Pratley (first of Triples) 1, E. E. Pearson 2, J. Phillips 3, W. Cross 4, M. W. Coleman 5, W. Ivings 6, C. C. Clarke (cond.) 7, A. W. Ivings 8. Rung after dedication of peal tablet erected by the ringers to the memory of the Rev. Dr. M. Frost.

**EXHALL, WARWICKS.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Minor (three methods): H. D. Harrison 1, I. P. Unsworth 2, D. S. L. Lloyd 3, K. F. Gardner 4, W. A. Stote 5, D. J. Allen (cond.) 6.

**FAREHAM, HANTS.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: G. Boyd 1, A. Cope 2, F. Mitchell 3, G. Miles 4, J. Tyack 5, R. Hawkins 6, S. A. Scott 7, W. Cope 8, A. Sturges (cond.) 9, J. Stevenson 10. For Midnight Eucharist. Also on Christmas Day, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: G. Boyd 1, A. Cope 2, F. Mitchell 3, J. Ball 4, G. Miles 5, R. Hawkins 6, J. Gunstone (first of Royal) 7, S. A. Scott 8, A. Sturges (cond.) 9, W. Cope 10.

**NORTHLEIGH, OXON.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Susan Holden (first quarter) 1, G. Orme 2, P. Holden 3, G. Holden 4, J. List (first as cond.) 5, D. Morgan 6. For Midnight Mass.

**ORSETT, ESSEX.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 St. Simon's Doubles: S. D. Holdaway 1, Miss V. Mathews 2, Miss J. E. M. Hills 3, Mrs. D. G. Mayell 4, D. G. Mayell (cond.) 5, S. D. Holdaway 6. First in method 1 and 2.

**OTTERSHAW, SURREY.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Lynda Pashley (first quarter) 1, R. Pashley (first 'inside') 2, J. Martin 3, D. Wright (cond.) 4, J. Ribbins 5, H. Kingston 6. For mid-night service.

**PUTNEY, LONDON.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Tippler 1, L. W. Allen 2, C. F. Mew 3, A. R. Millidge (cond.) 4, B. J. Bull 5, B. H. Coatsworth 6, D. C. Brookes 7, Christine M. Cobb 8. Also on Dec. 29th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: R. Cooles 1, Gerda Baresel 2, C. F. Mew (cond.) 3, D. C. Brookes 4, A. R. Millidge 5, L. W. Allen 6, B. H. Coatsworth 7, D. Tippler 8.

**RIPLE, WORCS.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Hill 1, Miss J. Gainey 2, A. Bennett 3, C. Haylings (cond.) 4, B. Spiers 5, J. Bennett 6. For the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. S. Gill, also the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. F. Bird.

**ROYDON, ESSEX.**—On Dec. 23rd, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): I. Sams 1, C. W. Sams 2, W. P. Sams 3, B. G. Burton (cond.) 4, A. A. Livings 5, J. Terry 6. Most methods 1, 2, 3 and 6. A 34th wedding anniversary compliment to ringer of 5.

**SARRATT, HERTS.**—On Dec. 21st, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): C. Alban 1, Marion Petts (cond.) 2, June Chilton 3, K. Waples 4, P. Harper 5. For St. Thomas' Day.

**STEBBING, ESSEX.**—On Dec. 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Le Count 1, P. Wood 2, W. Chapman 3, G. Harrington 4, F. Roper 5, R. Suckling (cond.) 6. Rung to mark the golden jubilee of the Ordination of the Rev. F. Boykett, vicar.

**STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss S. Haskins 1, Miss T. P. Johnson 2, A. R. Peake 3, Miss P. Lansley 4, R. Fry 5, F. E. Jones 6, V. Griffin (cond.) 7, Miss J. M. Cook 8. First in method 2 and 6. For the ordination as priest of the Rev. H. Field, curate.

**WANDSWORTH, LONDON.**—At Holy Trinity, West Hill, on Nov. 17th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bob, Grandsire): Angela Jaques (first quarter) 1, Wendy Griffin (first 'inside') 2, R. J. Cooles 3, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 4, J. E. Reed (first of Doubles) 5, R. G. Twyman (first quarter) 6. For Evensong. First quarter by the local band. Also on Dec. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. G. Lambert (first quarter) 1, Judith Geiringer 2, Ruth Carr 3, D. Tippler (first of Triples 'inside') 4, N. F. Edwards (first on 8) 5, J. E. Reed 6, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 7, R. G. Twyman (first on 8) 8. For Evensong. Also birthday compliments to D. Tippler (17 on Dec. 5th) and the conductor (16 on Dec. 5th).

**WARSP, NOTTS.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Minor (Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob): Miss I. Cooke 1, D. Whetton 2, R. Lucas 3, M. Foster 4, F. Cooke 5, D. H. Rooke (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also on Dec. 24th, 1,440 Oxford T.B. Minor: P. Mellor (first of T.B.) 1, Miss A. C. Rooke 2, J. T. Rooke 3, F. Cooke 4, D. H. Rooke 5, H. T. Rooke (cond.) 6. For Midnight Eucharist.

**WEDNESBURY, STAFFS.**—On Dec. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Bates 1, B. H. Morton 2, Christine J. Turner (cond.) 3, M. G. Turner 4, M. I. Cadwallader 5, D. J. Cadwallader 6, J. F. Astbury 7, J. Hingley 8. A 16th birthday compliment to the conductor.

**WHICKHAM, CO. DURHAM.**—On Nov. 17th, 1,260 Doubles (two methods): Miss G. Wardhaugh 1, W. Davidson 2, S. Thompson 3, M. Maughan (cond.) 4, J. Crowther 5. For Evensong and as a welcome to Rev. P. H. Moss, curate. Also on Nov. 24th, 1,250 Doubles (three methods): Miss G. Wardhaugh 1, S. Thompson, Jnr. 2, S. Thompson 3, J. Crowther 4, M. Maughan (cond.) 5. For Evensong. Also on Dec. 1st, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): Miss G. Wardhaugh 1, J. Crowther 2, S. Thompson 3, M. Maughan (cond.) 4, W. Davidson 5. First in four methods for 1, 2 and 5. For Evensong. Also on Dec. 8th, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): Miss G. Wardhaugh 1, J. Crowther 2, S. Thompson 3, S. Thompson, Jnr. 4, M. Maughan (cond.) 5. For Evensong. Also on Dec. 15th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Miss G. Wardhaugh 1, S. Thompson 2, J. Crowther 3, M. Maughan (cond.) 4, W. Davidson 5. First in five methods for all. For Evensong.

**WOODFORD, ESSEX.**—On Christmas Day, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. D. Laken (first quarter) 1, T. Sharp 2, D. Baker 3, A. Crowson 4, J. Laken 4, A. Faulkner (first as cond.) 6.



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### BIRTH

**CHAPMAN.**—On January 9th. 1964. at 33, Balmoral Avenue, Spalding, to Ella and Ted, a daughter, Hilary Clare, sister for Delyth Anne.

### ENGAGEMENT

**WEBB—MOORING.**—The engagement is announced between Christopher, only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Webb, Honiton, Devon, and Genebeth, only daughter of Mrs. E. D. Mooring and the late Flight Lieutenant K. A. Mooring, of Hersham, Surrey. 3932

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

**MOGFORD.**—The address of Mr. F. C. Mogford is now Lower Brook Cottage, Woolard, Pensford, Bristol. 3950

### PERSONAL

'And ye shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, that hath dealt wondrously with you; and my people shall never be ashamed.' (Joel ii, 26.)

### HANDBELLS WANTED

**HANDBELLS WANTED.**—Four odd bells, notes B 9, C sharp 8, D 7, E 6, standard pitch. Must be of good tonal quality; condition of fittings not important.—Frank R. Barnett, 22, Grove Crescent, Bromyard Road, Worcester. Phone: Worcester 23628. 3957

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**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Diocesan Jubilee, Tuesday, Jan. 21st, 1964. The president has requested that the bells of all the churches should be rung on that evening in celebration of the great day. Please help to make this possible.—Robert C. Heazell, Master. 3946

**FOR SALE.**—Back numbers of 'The Ringing World,' complete collection from April, 1953, to December, 1963. Offers invited for part or complete collection.—53, Broadcroft Crescent, Haverhill, Suffolk. 3941

**ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.**—Practices on Saturday, Jan. 25th, and Saturday, Feb. 15th; both 6 to 7.30 p.m. Try some 10-bell ringing for a change. All welcome. 3951

**ST. JOHN'S GUILD, HILLINGDON.**—The 1964 annual supper will be held at 6.30 for 7 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 21st, at The Target, Western Avenue, Greenford. Further details from the undersigned.

No practice at St. John's, January 27th.—J. Hill. 3960

**ST. THOMAS', SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.**—As from January 20th, practice night will be on Mondays, 7.30 to 9. Visitors welcomed.—B. G. Warwick, Ringing Master. 3964

**SALISBURY GUILD.**—Annual committee meeting, Church House, Salisbury, on Feb. 1st, 1964. Business 2.30 p.m. sharp.—W. C. West, Hon. Sec. 3948

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### MEETINGS

#### ALL SAINTS', CADDINGTON, LUTON, BEDS.

Dedication of ring of six bells on Friday, Jan. 17th, 1964, at 7.30 p.m., by the Bishop of Bedford.

Ring and refreshment after the service. Bells unringable for 120 years, now rehung: 3rd and 5th recast by Taylor's. 3947

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—A special meeting to discuss the revision of rules will be held at 'The Rising Sun,' Carter Lane, E.C., on Saturday, January 18th, at 6 p.m.—John Chilcott. 3808

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Glastonbury Branch.—Annual meeting, Saturday, January 18th, Wells St. Cuthbert's. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow.—P. Huil, Dinder, Wells. 3872  
 Gipsy Lane, Nuneaton. Phone Nuneaton 3296.

**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Quarterly meeting at Chilvers Coton on Saturday, January 18th. Bells available from 2.45 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Names for tea to Mrs. D. E. Beamish, 21, Gipsy Lane, Nuneaton. Phone Nuneaton 3296.—J. L. Garner-Hayward, Hon. Sec. 3895

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Peak District.—Annual meeting, Fairfield, Saturday, January 18th, 3 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. E. Ellison, 70 Kings Road, Fairfield, Buxton. 3925

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Hunts District.—Annual meeting, Huntingdon, Saturday, January 18th. Ringing arrangements:—Godmanchester (8) 3-4 p.m., Huntingdon All Saints' (6) 3.45-4.30. Service All Saints' 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. All Saints' (6) and St. Mary's (8) after tea. 3929

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—Annual meeting, Saturday, January 18th. Ringing at Holy Trinity 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Ringing after business meeting at St. Nicolas'. 3888

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—Annual district meeting, January 18th. St. Peter's, St. Albans. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Cathedral bells evening. S.M.: Yorkshire, Names, please, to Mrs. R. Darvill, 28, Jennings Road, St. Albans.—Mary A. Coburn, Dis. Sec. 3927

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Bishop's Stortford District.—Annual meeting at Braughing, January 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Ringing at Standon in the evening. Names for tea to Mr. P. J. Glazebrook, Dis. Sec., 11, Friars Road, Braughing, Ware, Herts. 3902

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—Annual meeting, Saturday, January 18th, at Hertford. Ringing 3-4.30 p.m. and after meeting at All Saints'. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Names for tea, please, to Mr. J. Kemp, 13, Nelson Street, Hertford.—T. J. Southam. 3879

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—Quarterly meeting at Gillingham on Saturday, January 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea.—L. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec. 3838

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—S.W. District.—Annual meeting on January 18th at Heston. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m., followed by business and further ringing. Names for tea to Miss F. Pocock, 22, Bulstrode Avenue, Hounslow.—F. T. Blagrove. 3883

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Rutland Branch.—Annual meeting, Oakham, Saturday, January 18th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m.—W. C. A. Clark, Sec., Middle Street, Wing, Oakham. 3890

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Annual meeting, Saturday, Jan. 18th. St. Leonard's, Shoreditch. 2.30 to 3.30 p.m.: St. Clement Dances, 3.30 to 5. Tea, St. Martin-in-the-Fields' Crypt, 5.15 p.m. Business meeting at Fellowship Hall, St. Martin-in-the-Fields', afterwards.—F. J. Matthews. 3885

**SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.**—Annual meeting, January 18th. 3 p.m. at St. Mary's. 6 p.m. at St. Peter's. Business meeting at St. Mary's, approx. 4.30 p.m. Please attend.—Sec. 3916

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Newark District.—Annual District meeting at Newark on Saturday, January 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting 5 o'clock.—B. N. Reed. 3881

**STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.**—Meeting at St. Paul's, Burton-on-Trent, Saturday, January 18th. Bells (10) available 3-4.25 and 6-8 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m.—C. M. S., Hon. Sec. 3874

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Division.—Practice meeting, Southover (10), January 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Special method: Grandsire Caters. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierpoint. 3918

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—Meeting at Netherton, Saturday, January 18th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business.—Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., 17, Ham Lane, Pedmore, Stourbridge, Worcs. 3861

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Axbridge Branch.—Annual meeting at Weston-super-Mare, Saturday, January 25th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business.—M. Legg, Hon. Branch Sec.

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Cary Branch.—Annual meeting, Castle Cary (8), on Saturday, Jan. 25th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m.—L. McCreadie, Level Lane, Charlton Horethorne, Sherborne, Dorset. 3934

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Luton District.—Annual meeting, Luton, Saturday, January 25th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Short service 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m. Business in belfry afterwards. Names for tea by 23rd to Mr. Basil Hulatt, 87, St. Monica's Avenue, Luton.—K. G. Spavins, Dis. Sec. 3873

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chester Branch.—Annual meeting, Chester Cathedral, Saturday, Jan. 25th. Bells of St. Mary's. Handbridge (8), available 2.30 to 3.45 p.m. Service. Cathedral Choir, 4.15. Tea 5 o'clock, followed by business meeting. Numbers for tea, please, by Wednesday, Jan. 22nd, to R. C. H. Sibley, Hon. Sec., 35, Appleyards Lane, Chester. 3967

**CHESTER GUILD.**—Grappenhall Branch.—A meeting will be held at Runcorn on Saturday, Jan. 25th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—C. Raddon. 3933

**DEVON GUILD.**—South-West Branch.—Annual meeting, Plymouth St. Andrew's, January 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by January 20th to T. G. Myers, 79, Regent Street, Plymouth.

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Annual meeting, Doncaster, Saturday, Jan. 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. A. Staveley, 151, Wentworth Road, Doncaster.—R. Stephenson, Hon. Sec. 3966

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION** (Southern District) and **CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKS ASSOCIATION.**—Joint meeting, Stockton, Saturday, Jan. 25th. Bells (10) 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. E. P. Rock, Rosegarth, 513, Yarm Road, Eaglescliffe. 3944

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Farnham District.—Annual District meeting at Farnham (8) on January 25th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5.15 p.m. at the Queen of Hearts. Notifications for tea to Mr. C. W. Denyer, 15, Crondall Lane, Farnham, Surrey, by previous Wednesday.—D. P. Elsmore, Dis. Sec. 3865

**HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—The annual meeting will be held at Hemel Hempstead on Jan. 25th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday, 23rd, to G. Rees, 23, Highridge Road, Hemel Hempstead. No name no tea. 3966



**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—Quarterly meeting, St. Stephen's, Canterbury, Saturday, January 25th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea, Parish Hall at 2s. 6d. per person. Names, together with cash, by January 22nd to Miss E. Dixon, c/o Christ Church College, Canterbury, Kent. 3789

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—Quarterly meeting, St. Mary's, Woolwich, Saturday, Jan. 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 22nd, at the latest, to Miss M. R. Andrews, 43, Wansunt Road, Bexley. 3954

**LADIES' GUILD.**—South Wales District.—Annual District meeting, Swansea, January 25th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Gentlemen welcome. Names, please, to Mrs. Whitworth, 3, Lon Derw. Tycoch, Swansea.—J. S. King. 3899

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—Annual Branch meeting, Saturday, Jan. 25th. Farnworth. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Business follows tea. *No names no tea. This is definite.* Write by the previous Wednesday to Joe Thornley, 50, Carlton Street, Farnworth. 3943

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—A.G. meeting at St. John's Parish Church, Blackpool, Saturday, Jan. 25th. Bells (8) 3 p.m.—Harry R. Preston, Hon. Sec. 3945

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Next meeting, Birstall, Saturday, Jan. 25th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, by previous Thursday, to Mr. David North, Garfield House, 269, Healey Lane, Batley. 3938

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hinckley District.—Annual meeting, Saturday, Jan. 25th. St. Mary's, Hinckley. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by business meeting in the Church Hall at 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, by the Wednesday previous, to Mr. A. Ballard, 128, Leicester Road, Hinckley.—M. Vernon, Dis. Sec. 3942

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Melton Mowbray District.—Annual meeting, Saturday, Jan. 25th, at Melton. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Parish Hall at 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to Mr. H. Clayton, 18, Bayswater Road, Melton Mowbray. 3940

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern Branch.—Annual meeting, Grantham, Saturday, Jan. 25th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday, Jan. 20th, to F. G. Vickers, Ermine Street, Ancaster, Grantham. 3965

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Branch committee meeting at Bray, Saturday, Jan. 25th. 3.30 p.m. Tea 5. Ringing 6 to 9 p.m. Names by 21st, please.—Miss Hague, 6, Stompits Road, Holyport, Maidenhead. 3893

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northampton Branch.—Annual general meeting, Saturday, Jan. 25th, Holy Sepulchre, Northampton. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to Mr. G. F. Roome, 36, Fairway, Kingsley Road, Northampton. 3931

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Towcester Branch.—Annual meeting, Towcester, Saturday, Jan. 25th. Names for tea by Tuesday previous.—W. A. Yates. 3952

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Salisbury Branch.—Annual meeting, January 25th, St. Thomas', Salisbury. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting, Cathedral Hotel, 4.45 p.m. Bells: St. Thomas' after meeting; St. Paul's, 2.30-3.45 and evening. Names for tea by Tuesday, 21st, please, to Miss Eloie, Branch Sec. 8, Albany Road, Salisbury. 3845

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Calne Branch.—Annual meeting, Calne (8), Jan. 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Names for tea, please.—E. Buckridge, Grip House, West Hill, Calne. 3958

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wimborne Branch.—Annual general meeting, Poole, Saturday, Jan. 25th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service (preacher, Master of the Guild) 4 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, Jan. 21st, to I. Davis, Hon. Sec. 16, Verulam Road, Poole. 3955

**SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—A.G.M. at Shrewsbury, Jan. 25th. Ringing at St. Chad's, 3 p.m., with service at 4.30. Ringing at St. Mary's 7 to 9 p.m., and another tower which will be announced at St. Chad's. Business meeting in St. Chad's ringing chamber at 6

o'clock. Teas have been arranged at the Dorothy Café for 5.15 p.m. Names for tea by Jan. 24th to R. E. Morris, 12, The Crescent, Hodnet, Market Drayton. 3959

**SOUTH DEVON ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting in Upton Church Hall, Torquay, Saturday, January 25th. Tea and bells available afterwards. Numbers for tea to B. E. Bartlett, 17, Ash Hill Road, Torquay. 3924

**SOUTHEAST AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—Annual general meeting, Prittlewell (10), Saturday, January 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to P. Sloman, 26, Ennismore Gardens, Southend-on-Sea. 3924

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Mansfield District.—Annual meeting, Mansfield (8), Saturday, Jan. 25th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. at Grove House. Names for tea, PLEASE, by Wednesday, Jan. 22nd, to Mrs. F. Adcock, 14, Windsor Road, Mansfield.—D. J. Beach, Dis. Sec. 3953

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Annual general meeting, January 25th, Thames Ditton. Bells 3-4 p.m. Service at Kingston-upon-Thames 4.30. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea to Miss M. Lewis, 28, Ewell Road, Surbiton, Surrey, by January 22nd. Kingston bells after meeting.—N. Steere, Assn. Sec. 3869

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—Central District.—A.G.M. at Eye on January 25th. Bells (8) from 2.30-9 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting 5.45 p.m., at which the support of all members is requested. Names for tea by Wednesday, 22nd, to Mr. L. E. Last, Low Street, Hoxne, Diss, Norfolk. 3913

#### UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY

Dinner Day, January 25th, 1964.

Arrangements are as follows:

Emmanuel, Clifton. 9.30-10.30 a.m.

St. Mary Magdalene, Stoke Bishop. 10-11 a.m.

St. Stephen's, City. 10.30-11.30 a.m.

St. James', Central, 11.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m.

Cathedral. 2-3 p.m.

St. John-on-the-Wall. 3-4 p.m.

St. Mary Redcliffe. 3-4.30 p.m.

Christ Church, City. 4-5 p.m.

St. Michael's, City. 5.15-6.15 p.m.

General meeting (St. Michael's Scout Hut) 5 p.m.

Service 6.15 p.m.

Dinner 7.15 for 7.45 p.m. 3871

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—Annual District meeting at Basingstoke, Saturday, Jan. 25th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service at St. Michael's Church 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. All Saints' bells available. Names for tea by Tuesday, Jan. 21st, to J. Chesterman, Leacroft, Sherborne St. John, Basingstoke. 3962

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Leatherhead District.—Annual District meeting, ASHTEAD (not Leatherhead), on Feb. 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Notifications for tea by previous Wednesday to Mr. J. T. Symonds, 44, West Farm Avenue, Ashstead, Surrey. 3961

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Lindsey Branch.—Annual general meeting at Scunthorpe on Saturday, February 1st. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to Mr. F. Lord, 107, Bushfield Road, Scunthorpe.—C. A. H. 3922

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—Annual Branch meeting on Saturday, Feb. 1st, Diss. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Special welcome to members of Suffolk Guild. Names for tea by Wednesday, Jan. 29th, to Mr. A. G. Harrison, 20, Chapel Street, Diss, Norfolk.—C. F. W. Philippo, Hon. Sec. 3937

**OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.**—The annual dinner will be held on Saturday, Feb. 1st, at 8 p.m. in Jesus College. Tickets, price £1, and ringing details from J. W. Thorp, St. John's College, Oxford. 3935

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.**—Winchester District.—Annual meeting, Feb. 1st, St. Maurice's Hall, Winchester. 2.30 p.m. Tea 4. Service in Cathedral 5.15 Bells (12) 6 p.m. Names for tea by Jan. 27th to D. B. Brown, 3, Moss Road, Winnall, Winchester. 3894

## QUARTER PEALS

**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,344 Bourne Surprise Minor: Carol Cousins 1, E. G. H. Godfrey 2, P. J. Milton 3, Margaret C. Godfrey 4, C. H. Macve 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6. First in method by all the band.

**ARLFSEY, BEDS.**—On Oct. 6th, 1,380 Grandsire Doubles: Ann Woodhouse 1, Audrey Alexander 2, Verna Rix 3, M. Major (cond.) 4, D. R. Sanderson 5, G. D. Goodwin 6. For Harvest Festival. Also on Nov. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Ann Woodhouse (first of Minor) 1, Verna Rix 2, Audrey Alexander 3, K. Barnes 4, M. Major 5, D. R. Sanderson (cond.) 6. For parish Communion.

**ARKSEY, YORKS.**—On Jan. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. V. Mitchell 1, J. Thorley 2, E. Cooper (cond.) 3, G. Arrand 4, J. Witham 5, Mrs. I. Somerville 6, E. Thorley 7, W. Johnson 8. Rung half-nuffed to the memory of Ben Birkett, who died on Boxing Day, aged 84.

**BETHERSDEN, KENT.**—On Dec. 29th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: W. C. Marshall 1, Elizabeth Stewart 2, G. Stewart 3, P. J. Jarvis 4, W. W. Ring (cond.) 5, J. V. Richards 6. For Evensong. Also on Dec. 31st, 1,440 Minor (Kent and Plain Bob): Elizabeth Stewart 1, Mary Marshall 2, P. J. Jarvis 3, J. V. Richards 4, G. Stewart 5, W. W. Ring (cond.) 6. A 70th birthday compliment to Harry Jarvis, a member of the local band.

**HANBURY, WORCS.**—On Jan. 1st, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, April Day, Grandsire): M. J. Guise (first on working bell, age 12) 1, P. Cattermole (cond.) 2, M. Powell 3, J. C. Eisel 4, Rev. A. H. Clayton 5, Sylvia J. Cater 6. Arranged for the visit of the ringer of 5.

**HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. M. Humphrey 1, R. H. Tribe (first quarter 'inside') 2, S. W. Brown 3, J. R. Norris 4, H. W. Brown (cond.) 5, M. C. Woolridge 6. Rung as a welcome into the Church for John Robert, son of the ringer of 2, christened this day.

**ISLEWORTH, MIDDX.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,299 Stedman Caters: Patricia Rogers 1, Mrs. O. L. Rogers 2, P. N. Felton 3, J. M. H. Hunter 4, H. W. Rogers (cond.) 5, M. Thomas (first of Stedman Caters) 6, S. Croft 7, C. H. Rogers 8, C. T. Richards 9, N. F. Felton 10. For Evensong.

**LEA, Lincs.**—On December 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss P. A. Lunn (first quarter) 1, Pauline Bull 2, Mrs. E. Gray 3, C. H. Baker 4, G. L. A. Lunn 5, S. L. Green (first as cond.) 6.

**LECHLADE-UPON-THAMES, GLOS.**—On Dec. 29th, 1,260 Doubles (seven methods): Miss B. Hardisty (first quarter) 1, Miss M. Walsh (most methods) 2, A. J. King (most methods) 3, H. N. Evans 4, G. W. Lands 5, W. E. Gearing (most methods) 6. For Evensong.

**SOUTH CERNEY, GLOS.**—On Christmas Day, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Cook 1, R. Wakefield 2, Miss M. Fenton 3, M. Cook 4, B. Wakefield (cond.) 5, P. Wakefield 6. For morning service.

**STRENSHAM, WORCS.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: I. Lloyd 1, R. Loxley 2, R. Perks 3, D. Trenfield 4, A. Berry (cond.) 5, E. Bick 6. First quarter 2 and 6.

**WIMBLEDON, SURREY.**—At 135, Copse Hill, S.W., on Jan. 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles (on handbells): Rosamund M. Rawlings 1-2, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 3-4, Vanessa Rodrigues 5-6. First in method 'in band' for all.

## LATE NOTICES

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Annual general meeting, Saturday, January 25th. Bells: 3 to 4 p.m. St. John's, Waterloo; 3 to 4.30 St. Clement Danes', Strand. Service 4.45 p.m. St. Clement Danes'. Tea 5.30 p.m. 'The George', Strand, followed by business meeting, handbell contest and social evening. Names for tea essential to Miss Powell, 56, Narbonne Avenue, S.W.4, Kelvin 2390. Tickets for the dinner, on Saturday, February 29th, at 'The Alexandra Hotel', Clapham Common, will be available, price 16s.—Sec. 3970

**SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—Practice meeting changed to Hooe and Westham on January 25th. Hooe (5) 3 till 4.30 p.m. Westham (6) 6 till 8 p.m. Tea (Westham) 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to D. R. Fuller, 'Droslyn', High Street, Westham, Pevensey.—I. Smith, Sec. 3971



## LEARNING TO HUNT

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**BIGGLESWADE, BEDS.** — On Dec. 24th, 1,440 Minor (Kent T.B., Plain Bob): A. H. Smith 1, D. G. Carr (first in two methods) 2, F. W. Briscoe 3, Sheila I. Smith 4, P. G. Smith 5, A. S. Smith (cond.) 6.

**EAST HARPIREE, SOMERSET.** — On Jan. 6th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Ruth Gay 1, G. Talbot 2, Sondra Gay 3, P. Gay 4, R. Gay (cond.) 5, F. Andrews 6.

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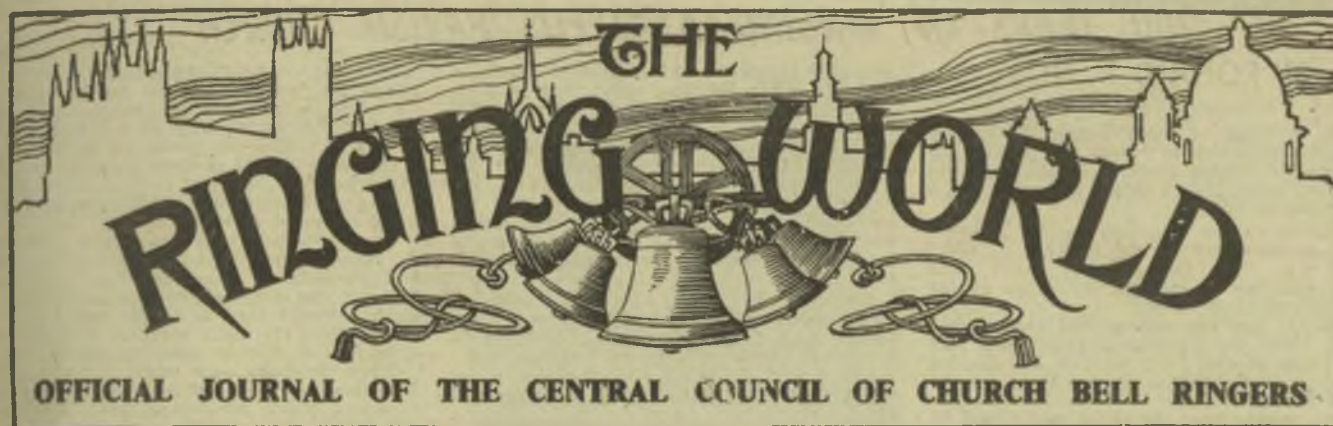
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## PEALS AT LOUGHBOROUGH FOUNDRY

By DEREK P. JONES

HAVING frequently rung at the Loughborough Bell Foundry campanile myself, I am constrained to comment upon the recent correspondence regarding the standard of peal attempts there. I have held Mr. Walter Judge in great respect (almost amounting to awe!) for many years, and his opinions are well worthy of attention, but I feel that in this case he is not conversant at first hand with some difficulties often encountered on this delightful ring of bells, which are so readily placed at the disposal of visitors by the kindness of Messrs. J. Taylor and Co.

There are many rings of bells, old and new, in Britain where any band of reasonable ability could hardly fail to settle to a good rhythm almost from the word 'go'; the bells lend themselves to it. Unfortunately this is not usually the case at the Foundry. A picked band of excellent strikers and safe method ringers, who could probably ring almost a perfect peal on a ring of ten with tenor say 25 cwt., would just as probably fail to perform anything like so satisfactorily at the Foundry. They would be aware that not all was well, but despite much effort to improve and get a beat, it might elude them for a considerable slice of their peal. Something like this must have happened in the record attempt that was under fire; rather than score a peal that did not give them real satisfaction in retrospect, they rightly chose to stop. The extended practice they had had, and probably a discussion in the interim on the technique required, enabled them to settle down to ring two peals of a much better standard afterwards. To my mind this course does not betray inexperience, but a mature outlook on their ringing by those concerned.

I have been in attempts at the Foundry where I have tired my heart out to help to hit a beat, and others have been doing the same, yet it never quite came for ages; then suddenly it would appear from nowhere: the ringing would click into gear, often with a noticeable quickening

of pace, and a most satisfying period of highly rhythmical ringing would ensue; but why it did not come before could be quite baffling.

At risk of criticism, I would venture the following ideas as to why this difficulty occurs. Firstly, it is the great degree of bell control needed to handle the lighter bells well, a kind of wrist-action akin to handbell ringing. Secondly, the very fast rate of striking which these bells seem to demand if the ringing is not to appear 'aggressively slow'; and thirdly, following upon this, some problems of odd-struckness in the case of at least three of the bells. This is not so serious that on a heavier ring it could not be easily corrected by a careful ringer and be of no consequence; but when 5,000 changes are being rung in not much over two hours, any gap, however slight, appears like a gaping hole, and disrupts the rhythm in a shattering way. The ninth has literally to be driven hard at backstroke, and conversely the tenor at hand, or else it is 'left behind'; this can require as much effort, mental and physical, to achieve, as to correct odd-struckness on a much heavier bell. Again, in quite a few peals which never quite 'hit the jackpot,' the fault could be traced, I suspect, to the 4th not being brought along quite quickly enough at handstroke, thus leaving an unsuitable gap at lead, a guaranteed destroyer of rhythm.

It is wrong to sneer at peals at the Foundry, and compare those who go there unfavourably with those who ring theirs on so-called men's bells. Being able to heave a lot of metal around is not the be-all-and-end-all of the ringer's art; qualities of skill, mental concentration and self-discipline equally worthy of commendation are required to ring a good peal at the Foundry. It is also a mistake to speak of the Foundry bells slightly in terms that suggest there has been nothing worth listening to when you have done your peal; they are extremely musical, and when the rhythm is really established, a sheer delight to ring under. Unfortunately this is bottled up in layers of brick, and little can be appreciated in the street outside. The latter circumstance is, of course, the reason why they are ideal for long lengths; it would be most unfair to the listening public, and harmful to the cause of ringing, to attempt such long and frequent peals at most church towers as are the order of the day at the Foundry, thanks again to the kindness of J. Taylor and Co.

I hope this will help to clarify the position a bit for readers who are not privileged to be able to visit Loughborough easily.



## 200 YEARS OF RINGING AT LEEDS PARISH CHURCH

By RONALD H. DOVE

(Continued from page 34)

The marriage of the Prince of Wales and Princess Alexandra in March was marked by intermittent ringing from early morning until 11 p.m., when after a Royal salute the 'bells were ceased firing.'

Another ringing marathon in 1864 followed the accouchement of the Princess of Wales at 9 p.m. The following day merry peals were rung up to midnight by order of the Mayor and Corporation.

Scarcely had this ringing died away before there came the 'gratifying intelligence that the Lords of the Privy Council had decided to recommend Leeds as Assize Town for the West Riding.'

Five months later the Order was signed by H.M. the Queen at Windsor and, so says our historian, immediately not only the Parish Church bells, but those of St. John's, Bramley, Burley, Headingley and Hunslet rang out and the great Victoria bell at the Town Hall for good measure.

This is the only reference to the four bells at St. John's, Briggate, where to-day the president of the Yorkshire Association is Vicar, while the Victoria bell, the 4-ton hour bell at the Town Hall, has not been considered safe to swing for many years.

Why there should have been such ecstasy over the matter is difficult to understand but apparently it was so.

### THE FIRST ASSIZE

The first Assize and the preceding procession to the Parish Church are described in detail, even to the names of the convicted murderers, whose execution at Armley Gaol provided entertainment for, says the report, 100,000 spectators.

The writing at this time indicates a less educated hand and I suspect the writer may have meant 10,000, or perhaps even 1,000, for I cannot imagine that something like three times the number of a Headingley Test match could have assembled round the gaol, although we may take it there was quite a crowd.

And whilst on the subject of entertainment, not that it was at all funny at the time, I quote in full a faded newspaper cutting, yellow with age, pasted in the book and bearing a pencilled date, October 27th, 1868.

### 'SINGULAR ACCIDENT IN THE LEEDS PARISH CHURCH

'On Sunday evening last a large board commemorating a peal of 1818 and weighing about one hundredweight fell on the heads of Mr. Gawkrödger and Mr. Lockwood, who were knocked down and much injured about the head although not seriously.

'The chamber was so filled with dust that the other ringers could not at first perceive what had taken place and made their way out of the room as quick as possible, thinking the whole fabric was coming down, but only to return and find the two individuals laid prostrate underneath the large board.

'As there are five other boards of a similar description in the tower, a strict examination will take place so as to avoid a repetition of a similar accident for the future.'

### 'SECULAR' RINGING

One wonders whether permission was ever sought for the frequent 'secular' ringing which took place on every conceivable pretext. And how did the ringers differentiate between the various candidates who paid different rates for ringing at the declaration of the poll?

Special ringing marked the opening of three railways from Leeds between the years 1846

and 1849 (ought we to pay muffled tribute to them when Mr. Beeching closes them?), while the passing of Sir Robert Peel's Corn Law Bill and the Free Trade Festival likewise were considered worthy of ringing and even the Indian Mutiny did not escape. 'Ringing for the Indian Mutiny' was not so callous as it appears at first sight, as it transpired that the tenor bell was tolled (muffled) for two services on the Public Fast Day, W. Gawkrödger and S. Priestley receiving five shillings each for their trouble.

Six months later Peace with Russia, signed in Paris, honoured in Leeds on April 1st: two months later Grand Illuminations in Leeds in honour of Peace with Russia and finally the Public Entry of the 4th Dragoon Guards on return from the Crimea netted altogether £16 19s.

### RANG AT MIDNIGHT

Visions of a clandestine burial in the dead of night are conjured up by the entry: '1830, July 5th. This day being the funeral of His Majesty George IV (which took place at midnight),' but reading on it appears that after evening service 5,000 New Treble Bob was completed 43 minutes after midnight. As 'muffled peals was rung during the day' into the bargain the report concludes '... it was scarcely possible to pay a higher degree of respect for the deceased King than was exhibited at Leeds.'

Like the wedding of the widow Bold in Anthony Trollope's 'Barchester Towers,' the opening of the new ring of eight at Holbeck in 1871 'went off with great éclat,' which is more than can be said of the occasion 60 years later when the Warner eight of 1871, recast by Gillett's into a lighter eight, were opened, an event which may have influenced to some extent the ultimate decision upon Leeds bells the following year, but that is another story.

After 90 years without attention by the bell-hangers, Leeds bells had become very hard-going and the recasting and rehanging of these bells was the 'plum' bell restoration of 1932, the year in which Ripon Cathedral and Boston 'Stump' bells also went into the pot.

### THE GREAT MISTAKE

The authorities were given conflicting advice. Taylor rightly advised a lighter tenor of 30 cwt., whereas Gillett's, backed up by an 'independent advisor,' specified a 43 cwt. tenor with at least two bells hoisted. The churchwardens were solid on the idea of a tenor comparable to Beverley Minster, why one can only speculate, and in placing the order with Taylor they insisted upon a heavier tenor. This was the worst possible advice from every angle—structural, musical and practical.

It is a recognised fact that a ring of bells which has been crammed into a tower with the proverbial shoehorn never sounds as well as one which has 'breathing space'—I am told on good authority that the bells from Bishop Ryder's do not sound quite as good in the smaller tower at Harborne—and this is why, in my opinion, our 'light eight' (tenor 17 cwt. in F) heard outside is musically superior to the twelve, magnificent though the twelve undoubtedly are, especially now that we have had the louvres blocked up completely.

Even in those days the Leeds ringers were for the most part ageing with no young blood whatsoever, so it required no stretch of imagination to foresee that before long ringing at Leeds Parish Church would become a serious problem.

### NO TOWER FOR LEARNERS

Heavy bells, a rocking tower—the tower sways when only one of the light bells is

turned over—and a long draught of rope are encouraging neither for pupil nor instructor.

How gladly would I exchange all 13 bells for a lighter ring such as the Bradford 10 were it within my power to do so but I fear such a flight of fancy must ever remain a dream and one must be reconciled to slopping away indefinitely on heavy bells, a lasting memorial to incompetence.

The problem of Leeds was not unknown for when I came to Leeds 30 years ago the late president of the Yorkshire Association told me that the Association expected me to teach a service band at Leeds 'one day.' It is one thing to make specious promises but quite another when it comes to fulfilling them.

When the bells were recast and rehung in 1932 they were cluttered up by no less than 45 hammers, which by degrees have now been reduced to eight (six for the clock and two for chiming).

The Ellacombe chimes fell into disuse and after an accident with the tenor bell which, perhaps a little unjustly, we were able to attribute to the Ellacombe hammer, we were allowed to dispose of it to defray the cost of a new set of ropes.

Then the carillon, a huge double-barrelled affair, likewise got into disfavour by playing three verses of a hymn at 11 o'clock one night, then its huge weight became jammed at the base of the shaft in which it is now walled up, and as the machine stood over the hatchway and had to be dismantled to allow a passage-way for the clock when it was converted to electric winding, it was decided not to replace it, which relieved us of a further 26 hammers.

I mentioned an accident with the tenor which was a parallel of the story of the battle lost for want of a nail but in this case it was the tenor bell lost for want of a split pin.

### THE TENOR CRASHES

One practice night in 1949, the bells in rounds before the last touch, which was to be Grandsire Caters, there came a thud of a heavy clapper falling and before someone had the presence of mind to call 'Stand' there followed a deafening roar (it was the 42 cwt. tenor landing on her side of the floor)—the tenor man bounded for the door still holding the tail end—I can recall the scene vividly.

By one chance in a hundred the clapper had become lodged cornerwise across the Ellacombe hammer and the base girder of the frame, in which position it stopped the bell in full flight and something had to give way. The 'something' was the headstock, which snapped across, while the offending clapper was merely slightly bent and the bell unscathed.

I am quite certain that had we had Gillett's bells tuned right up in the crown, as we could so easily have had—then the bell would have broken away at the shoulder, as happened in several cases—one I can call to mind, where a broken stay was believed to have become jammed endways against the frame.

As with most towers, our fortunes have ebbed and flowed—at the moment they are somewhat on the ebb—but we are fortunate in having a promising and most probably the youngest conductor in the history of the tower, not that 'Norving' appears to have noticed him.

Whether Leeds will ever regain its past tradition is purely a matter of conjecture—and hope. I am reminded of the proverb—I can't remember where I heard it— which runs something like this, 'Aim at the sky and you may hit the top of the trees.'

WOLLASTON, WORCS.—On Dec. 31st, 1,272 Minor (Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob): M. J. Fellows 1, R. Smith 2, Mrs. R. Smith 3, M. J. Fellows 4, J. C. Eisel 5, M. D. Fellows (cond.) 6.

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## B.B.C. APOLOGISE TO LINCOLN

At the annual meeting of the company of ringers of the Cathedral of the Blessed Virgin Mary, at Lincoln, held on January 7th, the Dean (the Rt. Rev. D. C. Dunlop) read a letter from the producer of the Christmas Day bells broadcast apologising for the exclusion of the Cathedral bells.

The letter explained that originally on Christmas morning the news had been allotted five minutes. A decision was taken to extend the news in order to cover more fully the Lakonia disaster and it was not possible to put back the Queen's speech, which followed, therefore the beginning of the programme was cut to the exclusion of the Cathedral bells. The letter intimated that if at all possible Lincoln would be included next year.

The Cathedral company were well satisfied with this letter and its somewhat obvious explanation, writes Mr. G. Paul, the honorary secretary.

## KIDDERMINSTER REVIVAL

Readers will be pleased to hear that the St. Mary's Society, Kidderminster, has been re-formed. The 12 bells, after several years' silence, are being rung regularly on Thursday evenings. It is now hoped that ringing, morning and evening, will commence on Easter Sunday, provided the newcomers to the Art will be experienced enough to undertake the duty. Many thanks are due to the ringers from neighbouring towers, too numerous to mention, who appear on Thursdays to help achieve this aim.

Though the ropes are at present unfit for peal ringing, it is expected that in the very near future this will be put right, and applications for the bells for this purpose will be met as far as possible, but peal attempts are being restricted to one every two months.

R. W. SKINNER (Ringing Master).

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Kidderminster, Worcs.  
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## BALDOCK RINGERS' DINNER

The entry of several young men dressed in extreme 'Beatle' style, with appropriate hair cuts, surprised those waiting at 'The Rose and Crown' for Baldock ringers' annual dinner to start on December 21st. They were not, however, ringers, but a group known as the Rolling Stones, who had had a mishap on the way to an engagement in London.

The traditional dinner was excellent. Canon Brechley welcomed the visitors from other towers, then Miss J. Sanderson proposed the health of the Baldock Guild. 'Baldock is one tower where you can always be sure of a welcome,' she said, 'and an opportunity to meet and make friends. You may also find yourself ringing methods you did not expect to, but there cannot be much wrong with a Guild which can supply two presidents for the County Association.' She commended the work of the Guild in teaching learners and said most towers in the area owed a debt to Baldock for help so generously given.

Mr. E. G. Buck, in his reply, thanked the visitors to Wednesday practices, who not only received help but helped the Guild. They had seen their oldest member elected president, and by all reports he was making himself known throughout the county as no other president had done for a long time. Congratulations were given to Mr. and Mrs. C. Worboys, newly married.

An announcement: Annual outing, Nottingham area, June 27th. J. S.

## 50 YEARS AGO

'R.W.' January 23rd, 1914.—

In these days when so much attention is being paid to the restoration of bells, it is not often that one hears of two men being required to get one bell through a peal: still more rare is it, happily, that two bells each required two men. Such, however, was the case at Wigan, in a peal which we record this week. There were two men for the 7th and two for the tenor, which is 28 cwt. We hope if, as one may suppose, it was the 'go' of the bells which caused so much effort to be required, that the church authorities will speedily have this condition of affairs remedied.

# UP AND COMING YOUNGSTERS—No. 13



NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON,  
Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association.

Wales has many beautiful churches and cathedrals, most of which have a ring of bells with a band of keen and warmhearted ringers always ready to welcome a visitor. Encouraging for the future is the presence of youth in most of the belfries. Llandaff Cathedral is one, and here in charge is a ringer who, in a very short space of time, has achieved a very creditable record. He is Nicholas Simon, son of the Bishop of Llandaff.

Nicholas was born at Llandaff on February 19th, 1946. He is now at Llandaff High School reading 'A' level economics, history

and English, with a view to going to a university. He learned to ring at Llandaff Cathedral, starting at the age of 14, and was taught by two well known ringers—Mr. Nevil James, captain of the Cathedral band, and Mr. M. I. Yeoman, of St. John's, Cardiff. Ringing three times each Sunday for services gave him an excellent opportunity to become proficient.

He succeeded in ringing his first peal at the first attempt, when he rang the treble to Plain Bob Major at the Cathedral, the peal being conducted by Bryn Taylor. His first peal as conductor was Plain Bob Major on handbells at his home, 'Llys Esgot,' Llandaff, on November 8th, 1961, and his first as conductor on tower bells was in the same method on December 26th, 1961, at Whitchurch, Glam.

It is now less than three years since Nicholas started to learn to ring and his determination to reach the heights has already gained for him a total of 47 peals—33 on tower bells and 14 on handbells. Of this grand total he has conducted no fewer than 21.

His ambition, which, if achieved, will require a great deal of hard work and devotion, is to maintain regular Sunday service ringing at Llandaff Cathedral equal to the best in Wales in both striking and methods. This brilliant youngster, who has recently been elected captain at the Cathedral, states that he prefers the music of Grandsire and Stedman Caters to that of any Surprise method.

Wales can be justly proud of Nicholas Simon, who has gained for himself a record worthy of congratulations from the whole Exercise. NORVING.

## A YORKSHIRE BAND THAT WON THROUGH

The peal of Bob Doubles at Walkington, East Yorkshire, is a remarkable achievement for members of the local band. It was the first peal at the first attempt for all the band, and the first on the bells. The standard of the ringing can be judged from the fact that there were no mistakes made which required correction by another member of the band.

The bells were installed in March, 1959, and are a light but very tuneful ring of six. At first progress with ringing was slow, there being no experienced ringers in the small parish, but within two years the first 120 of Doubles had been rung. Only two of the original ringers remain, most of the present team having been taught in the last three years. Their success is largely due to the efforts of the tower captain, Miss Joan Gray, who leads an enthusiastic and loyal band of 13 ringers. The majority of them are teenagers, and all take an active part in the life of the church, holding offices ranging from chorister to churchwarden.

The achievements of the Walkington ringers are outstanding. The bells have been rung every Sunday since their installation, and all the ringers except the latest recruit have rung quarter peals. Six of them have called quarter peals. Most of them are members of the Beverley and District Ringing Society and participate enthusiastically in social events. The band now have quite a repertoire of Doubles and Minor methods, and can ring Kent Minor for Sunday service. Some of the ringers can now ring Treble Bob Major, and one can competently ring a 2 ton tenor.

The Walkington ringers deserve the congratulations of the whole Exercise.

## IN A GUERNSEY MUSEUM

The Lukis and Island Museum at Guernsey contains the notebook of W. C. Lukis, which gives details of the bells in about 400 towers, particularly Wiltshire. The information given is number of bells, inscriptions, diameter of tenor and the weight of the tenor deducted from a table in the back. The notebook can be inspected, writes John David, of Clifton, Guernsey, but cannot be taken from the building. There is a reference to two other volumes, but no trace of them in the museum.

## A SUSSEX-KENT WEEK-END

The combination of 21 towers in two days and a 6 a.m. start in the middle of winter would be enough to deter most people but 11 ringers possessing more enthusiasm than sense left Putney on December 7th for a Sussex-Kent tour.

Ian Smith, who helped with the arrangements, met the party at Battle and there was an inauspicious start at Dallington followed by a rough half-course of Cambridge at Burwash (eight bells). Ringing deteriorated at Heathfield but on the pleasant sounding eight at Uckfield we scored our first touch of Double Norwich. Diana Gough and Tony Bishop joined the party at Ringmer.

After lunch ringing improved at John Goldsmith's church at Southover, with Grandsire and Royal and two courses of Duffield Royal. At Pevensey, we heard about the black magic orgy at Westham. We were expected at Westham, although we did not ring there, and it was when the Ringing Master went supposedly to meet us that he discovered the desecration. We thus had a flattering allusion on the front page of 'The People.'

Following tea at Hastings we were privileged to ring on the new Taylor eight at St. Clement's and, at the Ringing Master's request, we were recorded ringing a touch of Stedman Triples for broadcasting on New Zealand radio. The recording commenced with chiming the fourth bell, which was given by the citizens of Hastings, New Zealand. A superb course of Bristol at Battle closed the day's ringing.

On the icy roads next morning Margaret Frost had a magnificent skid and we reached Hawkhurst five minutes before the service. A course of Bristol came to grief through a broken rope at Goudhurst, and methods up to Yorkshire were rung at Cranbrook. After a fine lunch at the George, Cranbrook, came Kent's heaviest eight, at Tenterden, where ringing included Putney and Bristol Surprise. Our first of Superlative was rung at Rolvenden but the finest ringing of the outing was London Surprise Major at Lydd. The outing finished at Iden. Because of running into fog at East Grinstead our arrival at Putney was delayed until 1.30 a.m. Included in our grateful thanks are Margaret Fort and Ann Horsford, our tireless and often maligned drivers. (Curtailed.) D. C. B.



# Letters to the Editor

## Society of Wessex Scholars

Dear Sir.—As Master of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild, I feel I must also comment on the new Society of Wessex Scholars. I did not know anything about it until I was approached by Mr. Knight asking me to support his request to the Dean of Winchester that the latter be president of the Society (the Dean having said he would consult me on the matter before deciding), and enclosing a copy of the rules. The Dean himself suspected that there might be a clash between the two and I was bound to say that I feared it would be so, and that I hoped he would not accept, since he is patron of our Guild. This advice the Dean has accepted. However, I am not one who wants to dampen enthusiasm, and so here is a copy of the relevant part of my letter to Mr. Knight.

'First of all, may I commend your enthusiasm and zeal. The objects of the proposed Society are excellent and quite laudable. However, my sincere hope is that you will feel able to do all these things within the sphere of the Diocesan Guild, for I see no reason why they should not be, and actually, the Objects are nearly all mentioned in the Rules of the Guild, even though some may have been rather neglected.

'You will, no doubt, have gathered this from the Dean of Winchester, who consulted me on the matter, for when it came to the Rules of the Society, it is quite obvious they would cut right across the Guild's organisation and that would be a great pity. To try to run meetings at the same time and in the same place as the Guild (for that is what it would mean at times) would be most unfortunate. Surely it would be better to ensure the success of the District meetings by bringing all your enthusiasts to them (the Winchester District meetings I have been able to attend have not been too successful—the annual meeting, at which I had to take the chair was, quite frankly, the poorest attended of all the Districts).

'There is certainly plenty of scope within the Guild and I should only be too happy to back you up in anything you do to promote the interests of Sunday service ringing within its organisation. But at a time when we are trying to promote unity within the Churches and are realising that we are weak through disunity in the Guild, for I am certain that is what it would mean even though I am just as sure that is not your intention, any more than it was the intention of John Wesley to break away from the Church of England, but it happened just the same. So I do hope you will reconsider this and see what you can do to make the Winchester District more flourishing. I am sure it can be done with your help.'

Alas, as Mr. Knight's letter in 'The Ringing World' shows, my plea has been completely ignored. I think I know why, but it wouldn't help to say so.—Yours faithfully,

Southampton. K. W. H. FELSTEAD.

## Kettlethorpe Surprise Major

Dear Sir.—Would you please correct the place notation of Kettlethorpe S.M. in a recent edition, and note the peal was composed by John R. Ketteringham (not conducted). Correct notation is:

x38x16x56x16x14x38x56x18. L.E. 1648.

2nds Place L.E. 4ths Place Bob.

—Yours, etc.,

Lincoln. JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

P.S.—We thank correspondents who have pointed out the error in the submitted copy.—Ed

## Copying Error?

Dear Sir.—The notation of the method Kettlethorpe given in 'The Ringing World' of January 10th, 1964, page 27, is actually that of Umberslade. In the Hudson and McClenahan Collection these are consecutive methods and so this looks as if it is a copying error. The lead-end 16482735 corresponds correctly to Kettlethorpe (No. 0462).

Umberslade is:

—38—6—56—16—14—3—16—1

L.E. 1573. 2nds.

I assume Kettlethorpe is intended as:

—38—6—56—16—14—3—56—1.

L.E. 1648. 2nds.

They differ in one place only.

Now that this new collection is available, I would advise that in copying notations from this book your readers take the trouble to place a straight edge below the notation to be copied. Otherwise this kind of error will be common, and will be especially dangerous for the following reason.

It is most likely that errors will occur towards the end of the line, since here the eye has more difficulty in relating the rows to the numbers at the beginning. Obviously errors in this part of the line are almost certain to result in writing down either the method immediately above or the one below, because in many cases the only difference of notation occurs in the last few places.—Yours faithfully,

JOHN R. MAYNE.

Harrow.

## DON'T BE AMONG THE 200

Considerably more than 200 postcard reminders are sent at the January quarter to those who have not paid their subscription to 'The Ringing World.' Please try and save Mr. Jeater or the Editor this extra work. Remit to either—without delay.

## Tail-piece to Tail Ends

Dear Sir.—The Yorkshire tail-end is an outmoded if traditional device, of little practical use in modern change ringing.

There is no doubt that this tail-end is clumsy in use and detracts from an easy, neat and economical style of handling both on light and heavy bells. The majority of ringers will agree with this view, but the small minority who wish to perpetuate this anachronism will no doubt wax vociferous, substituting empty words, evasions and half-truths for lack of real argument.—Yours, etc.,

RICHARD E. PRICE.

Thrybergh, Yorks.

## Adelaide Town Hall Bells

Dear Sir.—May I say thank you to Mr. Brian B. Hullah for his kind remarks ('R.W.' page 860) regarding my article on these bells and for pointing out that the horizontal stay and vertical slider device Warners used on the sixth is not unique.

Readers will, I am sure, be pleased to hear that we have brought the authorities round to our way of thinking. They have agreed that the bells should be rung on certain civic occasions, the first of which is expected to be the visit of H.M. the Queen Mother to open the Festival of Arts here in March. Furthermore, they are allowing us a monthly practice, which completely casts away any shadow of doubt about future ringing.—Yours sincerely,

RONALD K. RUSS.

Adelaide, South Australia.

## America's Gratitude

Dear Sir.—Many members of the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers have noted through the pages of 'The Ringing World' the great number of peals rung in Britain in memory of our late President, John F. Kennedy. I have been asked to express our deepest gratitude to all those change ringers who participated in these peals. Through your bells you spoke our mutual sorrow and, in so doing, you strengthened the bond of friendship and love between Britain and America.—Yours, etc.,

JAMES R. LAWSON,  
Editor, 'Overtones.'

## Grounded?—No, Never

Dear Sir.—May I crave a small space to protest at the criticism of my helmsmanship implied in Manchester University ringers' account of their Broads tour?

The melee of (as we now learn) University boats was such that I was forced to abandon my tacking course and pass through the chaos on motor, pausing while doing so to accept a courteous invitation from a yacht struggling in the reeds to ring that evening at Ludham. I firmly deny going aground in those reeds.—Yours faithfully,

A. JOHN BOYACK.

Westcliff-on-Sea, Essex.

## Sunday Service Records

Dear Sir.—Having read with great interest 'Tower Grabbers' Chance,' on page 2 in the January 3rd issue, I am all for having the leading tower grabbers list published, but what about the non-peal or tower grabbing ringers—namely the Sunday service ringers? Could they not have a chance to let the Exercise know of their achievements?

I am sure there are many ringers who do not care for peal ringing or go on ringing tours, but they are always at their post every Sunday ringing for Matins and Evensong, and other special occasions.

Our church—St. Faith's, Gaywood—has such a band, and we are proud to say that we only missed one service in 1963, which means that some of us rang for at least 100 services.

I may add that we have missed only seven services in the last three years.—Yours sincerely,

C. TOVELL.

Gaywood, King's Lynn.

## Mr. Cook's Nomenclature

Dear Sir.—Whilst supporting much of what my old friend John Cook says in his letter in 'The Ringing World' of December 6th, I fail to understand why he thinks 12ths place Belgrave Maximus would present much difficulty.

Had Mr. Cook stayed in his native county he would have found the bells run round in one lead. Perhaps he will explain his Leicestershire variation of this!—Yours, etc.,

Lincoln

J. L. MILLHOUSE.

## Warner's Foundry

Dear Sir.—I was interested in the letter about the clock bell at Hackney, as I have in my possession a smaller bell, presumably from the same foundry. This bell, which was hung for chiming only in a local mission church, is about 11 inches in diameter and is inscribed: J. WARNER & SONS, LONDON, 1883. Stamped on the crown are the figures 20.—Yours faithfully,

P. R. COVENY.

Kingham, Oxon.

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## Universities Association Dines in London

THE New Year opened briskly for the U.A. with another successful visit to London on January 4th. A closely-knit schedule of towers kept those who arrived during the day constantly on the move. The complexities of parking and one-way systems were an ordeal, but Phyllis Holborn's itinerary was invaluable, since it contained such directions as 'Take a No. 6 bus.' The driver of this vehicle must have been amazed to see in his mirror a crocodile of ringers' cars following him from Bethnal Green to St. John of Jerusalem, stopping in line behind him at every bus stop. St. Andrew's, Holborn, bells were enjoyed when rung at a reasonable pace; St. Matthew's, Warwick Grove, have marked clapper-knock to help establish a beat; Spliced Surprise on the meaty bells at Lauriston Road came to grief when some of the band mistook the conductor's cry of 'London' for 'Cambridge,' strange to relate.

Ringling at St. Giles', Cripplegate, was followed by a short service, conducted by the Vicar, Rev. E. L. B. C. Rogers, and then members made their way to 'The Victoria,' Buckingham Palace Road, where the 1964 A.G.M. was held in what must have been a record time of 15 minutes. Thirty new members were elected. The 1964 summer tour in the Lake District and the 1965 tour in County Durham were discussed, and it was decided that the 1965 dinner will be at Bristol.

Seventy members and guests sat down to dine, and later, after the loyal toast, Mr. P. M. J. Gray proposed the toast of 'The Church,' after drawing a mind-picture to illustrate how in the present day it is frequently the case that the bells, the ringers and the active part of the Church are in three separate places.

In his reply, the Rev. E. L. B. C. Rogers, Rector of St. Giles', Cripplegate, explained how his church will eventually come into its own when the area becomes a residential part of London, but relies at the moment on the tourist trade to swell the funds, since many famous people have been connected with St. Giles'. He reminded us that the Church consists of the clergy and people, and listed in order of importance: the clergy, the change ringers, the call change ringers and the rest. After suggesting that, in the interests of church unity, Methodists should be encouraged to have church bells, he stated that his own observation of the company at dinner assured him of success for the ringing of the immediate future.

Mr. E. A. Barnett, secretary of the Central Council, proposed the toast of 'The U.A.' He asked whether the U.A., which he thought must be nearing its majority despite hostile criticism in its infancy, contributed all it ought to the Exercise as a whole, or whether its members should perhaps apply themselves more to the mundane tasks in ringing as well as to the learned tasks.

The president, Mr. Paul Taylor, in welcoming the assembly, pointed out that members from nearly every university society were present, and underlined the necessity for getting together, rather than forming water-tight compartments. He thanked Mr. Barnett for gently putting the U.A. in its place, and went on to mention that one could enumerate only about thirty really active members. He recalled with deep regret the deaths during the past year of the first president of the U.A., Mr. E. H. Lewis, and of Mr. Derek Ogden. Mr. Taylor concluded by thanking Mr. Rogers for officiating at the service, and Miss Phyllis Holborn, who had organised the ringing with success.

The remainder of the evening passed all too quickly, but will be remembered by many for the faultless performances of Cambridge and London Surprise Major 'in hand.' Finally we went our ways looking forward to U.A. dinners, peals and tours of the future.

J. R. T.



Mr. Norman Chaddock with Kimberworth Secondary School handbell team that collected £17 for church funds at Rotherham by three hours' ringing in the churchyard.

[By courtesy Sheffield Newspapers, Ltd.]

### BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION Biggleswade District

There was a good attendance at the annual meeting of the Biggleswade District at Biggleswade, on January 11th, and the bells were kept ringing to a variety of methods during the afternoon. The Vicar, the Rev. J. H. Dominey, conducted Evensong, and Mr. J. Long played the organ.

Forty-two members and friends were present for tea provided by local ladies. The Vicar presided at the business meeting, when the following officers were elected: Chairman, Mr. L. Bywaters; secretary, Mr. M. Major; Bell Repair Fund treasurer, Mr. G. Mayes; committee, Messrs. T. Harris, M. Locket, P. Mehew, R. Sharp; Press secretary, Miss A. Alexander; organist, Mr. P. Rogers.

In his report, the secretary (Mr. M. Major) said that 20 peals (including three on handbells) had been rung in the District during 1963, only one less than in 1962.

After the meeting the ringers adjourned to the tower, where ringing up to spliced was continued.

A. R. A.

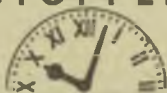
### WARMINSTER'S ANNUAL DINNER

The fifth annual dinner was held on January 11th at the Bath Arms Hotel, Warminster, and 31 ringers and friends enjoyed an excellent meal. The gathering was presided over by the tower captain, Mr. Norman Knee, and the company included the Vicar, the two churchwardens and visitors from North Bradley and the nearby parish of St. John's, Boreham. Mr. and Mrs. Perrett and daughter were absent through illness, and indisposition also prevented the attendance of Warminster's very good friends, Mr. and Mrs. Pearson, of Haslemere.

During the evening the company were entertained by tune and change ringing on handbells, some dancing by the younger members of the band, and a display of magic by Mr. K. Lawrence.

This modest function seems to improve each year, and congratulations must be extended to Mr. P. Roynon, who has been responsible for the arrangements.

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## OBITUARY

### MRS. E. KNIGHT

The death of Mrs. E. Knight, the wife of Mr. H. W. Knight, on January 4th, at the age of 75, was a great shock to her many friends. A member and secretary of the All Saints', Wrington, band for many years, Mrs. Knight had not recently been a regular ringer, due to indifferent health. Even so, she was very keenly interested in ringing activities and was always willing to help in any way she could.

For many years Mrs. Knight made herself responsible for the lunch and tea provided at the Bath and Wells Association annual general meeting. This was an enormous task, particularly just after the last war, when rationing made food very difficult to provide. She also busied herself in Deanery and, of course, her own tower affairs.

Mrs. Knight was a vice-president of the Western District of the Ladies' Guild from 1945 to 1956, and became an honorary life member. She will not only be missed by her family but by her many friends in the ringing world.

The funeral service was held at Redhill Church, which is in the parish of Wrington, on January 9th. Four members of the Wrington band, M. Board, H. H. Yeates, W. H. Kingcott and M. M. Collins, acted as bearers. The church was crowded, many hands being represented, and there were numerous floral tributes. Handbells were rung by Mrs. W. H. Kingcott 1-2, Rev. R. O. Fry 3-4, W. H. Kingcott 5-6, M. M. Collins 7-8.

The following memorial quarter peals were rung:

**BACKWELL, SOMERSET.**—On Jan. 9th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: D. G. Yeo 1, G. H. Pullin 2, P. J. Gardner 3, J. Brain 4, M. J. Horseman 5, L. Derrick 6, J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 7, J. Lott 8.

**PORTBURY, SOMERSET.**—On Jan. 10th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: U. James 1, R. Fry (cond.) 2, B. Goodliffe 3, G. Skelly 4, M. Horseman 5, R. Goodliffe 6. First of Stedman for 1, 3 and 4.

**WRINGTON, SOMERSET.**—On Jan. 9th, 1,349 Grandsire Caters: Judith Kelly 1, H. H. Yeates 2, Mrs. R. Ball 3, A. E. Ferris 4, H. G. Bird 5, Mrs. H. Kingcott 6, W. H. Kingcott 7, E. T. Lee 8, Rev. R. O. Fry (cond.) 9, H. M. Ball 10.

**YATTON, SOMERSET.**—On Jan. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. J. England (first in method) 1, G. Prescott (cond.) 2, Marjorie Legg 3, L. W. Pullin 4, S. G. Smith 5, E. A. Price 6, H. A. Price 7, J. K. Baker 8.

## RAVING RINGERS' REUNION

The Society of Raving Ringers held their annual reunion week-end, centred on Deddington, Oxon, on January 3rd. At the supper on Saturday a recorded message was received from Ron Russ, a Past Master, now living in Adelaide, together with recordings of the bells of St. Andrew's, Walkerville, Adelaide Town Hall and the world's second heaviest eight—the majestic bells of St. Peter's Cathedral. A keen member made recordings of these three Australian rings.

The ringing started at Great Tew on Saturday morning, followed by Swerford, where the tenor required much effort to ring. Hook Norton and South Newington, The Bristol and Yorkshire at Hook Norton were exceptionally fine. After lunch at Banbury came Cambridge Royal and the Parish Church, Cropredy, the recently augmented ring at Farnborough and Radway (5). While ringing at Bloxham in the evening Tony Mann broke the tenor clapper, a suggested result of eating too many Banbury cakes!

On the Sunday morning Matins was attended at Deddington after ringing, and at Home Farm, Balscote, in the afternoon the Society rang the first-ever course of Grandsire Caters on the bells. Evening service ringing was at Adderbury.

On behalf of the 20 'Ravers' present Chris Clarke and his helpers were warmly thanked for making the reunion possible and so enjoyable.

M. W. C.

## HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

### Northern District

The year 1963 was not a good one, though better than 1962, stated the annual report of the Northern District, presented at the A.G.M. at Baldock on June 4th. Fewer meetings were held, but attendance did not improve. A District practice at Stevenage was successful, and it was hoped that other towers would try this.

The District lost through death: Canon L. P. Smith (associate member), Mr. C. C. Stubbington (frequent visitor to meetings) and Mr. I. Werrett (Norton). The District will miss Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Marks, of Knebworth, who are moving to Kent. Two of the new members elected were the first Ashwell ringers to achieve membership.

Eighteen peals were rung, in which 52 ringers took part. First peals and first of Major 'inside' were rung by Andrew Mayes (Norton) and Michael Trigg (Hitchin). There were 80 first in the method, which gave an idea of the variety rung. A big increase in quarter peals—28 compared with 15—was reported, with 67 ringers taking part. Congratulations to Mr. H. S. Bonnett on election as Association president and Miss Ann Sanderson and Mr. C. Worboys on their engagement were expressed.

District officers elected were: Secretary and treasurer, Mr. E. G. Buck; Ringing Master, Mr. C. A. S. Harwood; press representative, Miss J. Sanderson; General Committee, Mrs. Agg and Mr. G. W. Critchley; District Committee, Messrs. A. R. Agg, T. Hatchett, L. B. Scoot, D. Taplin and Mr. and Mrs. Worboys.

Canon Brencfley conducted the service, and an excellent tea was prepared by the wives of ringers.

Next quarterly, Stevenage, March 7th.

J. S.

### St. Albans District

The December meeting of the St. Albans District was held on the Saturday before Christmas, right in a town centre, Barnet. As the Vicar said in his short welcome, the Christmas shopping crowds probably thought it appropriate that the bells should be ringing. They certainly reminded those of us who slipped out to shop that fighting with jostling crowds, not forgetting plenty of good will, of course, is not the chief reason for Christmas.

At a short business meeting, with Mr. S. Huckle in the chair, it was decided not to accept an invitation from the Hatfield ringers for February, as the Vicar had expressed some doubt because the meeting fell in Lent. Sandridge bells are to be applied from, Ringing ranged up to a shaky course of Bristol, the special method, but was, on the whole, a little too fast for the bells.

J. D. C.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN

### Frome Branch

A cold day, with forecasts of snow showers, did not deter 70 people from attending the annual meeting of the Frome Branch at Chewton Mendip on January 11th. Ringing commenced on the now famous eight at 3 p.m. and continued until 4.30, when the service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. H. P. Kingdon. During an excellent tea, arranged by local ladies, Mr. Harry Sanger played a tape recording of Chewton bells used by the B.B.C. in their programme 'Ring out, wild bells.' This was much appreciated.

The secretary, in his report for 1963, commented on the progress in the Frome area by young and old alike, and stated Sunday service ringing was well maintained. While his report revealed a drop in membership, 10 new members were later elected.

The officers elected were: Chairman, Rev. A. G. Durston; vice-chairman, Rev. R. Fookes; secretary and treasurer, Mr. E. J. Chivers; Ringing Master, Mr. R. G. Beck; Assistant Ringing Master, Mr. F. Savage; Press correspondent, Mr. T. D. H. Robertson. The meeting closed with Mr. R. G. Beck proposing the vote of thanks, which included a special mention of Mr. H. Baber, the local captain, for making arrangements.

Ringing from rounds to various Surprise Major methods continued until 8.30 p.m.

D. T. H. R.

## MUGS IN WHARFEDALE

ON Friday, November 1st, 13 members of the Guild left Manchester for our autumn tour in a 40 seater coach. John Pilkington joined us at Burnley, and we soon came to Skipton. The ringing on the lovely eight was among the best of the tour, being up to six Spliced Surprise Major. Sunday stragglers made up the party to its full numbers here and we caught a bus to Burley-in-Wharfedale. Ian's cheerful assurance that it was only 1½ miles to the Y.H. was taken at its face value, but it wasn't until three-quarters of an hour later, after a strenuous uphill climb, that we eventually reached Burley Woodhead Youth Hostel.

The first tower next day was Guiseley, and Ian's bland assurances that it was only 2½ miles away were treated rather sceptically. 'Plus 1.5 fudge factor,' someone muttered. After hard walking for 1½ hours, we arrived at Guiseley and rang for an hour and a half. Here we were joined by Edna Poulter and some of Ian's Yorkshire friends.

After a pleasant walk to Otley, we caught a bus to Ilkley. Although the standard of ringing was not quite so good here, we did not disgrace ourselves. At Addingham, the only six bell tower of the tour, an attempt at ringing a closed handstroke course of Oxford T.B. Minor was made, just to show Gordon Benfield we could do it. And he was forced to admit that we could—he only counted 117 faults in 120 changes! Back at the Y.H. that night, a Hallowe'en dance was greatly enjoyed, at which various members demonstrated how not to dance the shake. A course of Bob Minor on handbells went down well with the other hostellers.

Sunday morning saw us back in Ilkley, ringing for morning service. We then went by bus to Bolton Abbey and walked through the

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beautiful countryside along the River Wharfe until we came to Barden towers, where we had lunch. Attempts to push the Ringing Master into the Strid were happily unsuccessful! We made our way by various routes to Grassington, and yet another bus took us to Skipton.

After ringing for and attending Evensong at Skipton, a quick visit to a pub occasioned the classic remark of the tour. Whilst the relative merits of various kinds of music were being discussed, the name of Palestrina came up. 'Oh, is he like Liberace?' asked Christine, one of our newer members. Luckily the other members of the Guild were narrowly able to avert the immediate strangulation of the girl by forcibly restoring the Ringing Master in his chair.

The journey back followed the same pattern as the outward journey and we arrived back in Manchester worn out but content.

For the way in which the tour was arranged, we extend our thanks to Ian Goldthorpe; it must surely have been among the best autumn tours the Guild has even had.

E. F. P. B. & D. J. B.

## IPSWICH AWAKE!

Ipswich shoppers were treated to a change in the medium through which they heard traditional Christmas carols played on the Saturday before Christmas last. In place of the normal Salvation Army band playing on the Town Hall forecourt during the afternoon, three bands of handbell ringers from St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich, St. Mary's, Offton, and St. Peter's, Henley, played carols over a loudspeaker system for four hours, whilst other local ringers collected for the St. Mary-le-Tower Bell Restoration Fund. Including the ladies who supplied tea throughout and after the ringing, some forty ringers, mainly from the South Eastern District of the Suffolk Guild, took part. A total of £67 6s. 6d. was raised. Special thanks go to Howard Egglestone for organising the afternoon's proceedings.

L. R. P.



## HALF-PEAL

**LITTLE BADDOW, ESSEX.**—On Jan. 6th, 2,520 Plain Bob Doubles: G. P. Cowling 1, M. J. Erith 2, J. B. Crowe 3, P. G. Brown 4, M. J. Cowling (longest length as cond.) 5. Longest length 1, 2 and 3. Average age of band 15 years.

## QUARTER PEAL

**ARDLEIGH, ESSEX.**—On Jan. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. C. Bantick 1, A. W. Cole 2, Janet Semken 3, F. H. Erith 4, C. Hughes 5, A. G. Semken (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to Albert Semken, father of the 3rd and 6th ringers, member of the Church Council, who was buried the previous day.

**BASSALEG, MON.**—On Jan. 10th, 1,260 Doubles (in four methods): Gillian Addis 1, R. T. Smith 2, B. S. Neale 3, R. J. Waters 4, C. I. R. Bainham (cond.) 5, A. M. J. Edwards 6. First in four methods by all.

**BRENT PELHAM, HERTS.**—Dec. 29th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss M. D. Walker 1, Mrs. L. G. Goodman 2, P. J. Chappell 3, H. J. Trigg 4, G. C. Goodman (cond.) 5. For carol service. Also on Jan. 5th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: W. H. Read 1, Mrs. L. G. Goodman 2, P. J. Chappell 3, H. J. Trigg 4, G. C. Goodman (cond.) 5. For evening service.

**BUCKHORN-WESTON, DORSET.**—On Jan. 11th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): R. G. W. Robertson 1, Judith A. Robertson 2, Christine Hiscock 3, M. J. Young 4, G. W. Elmes (cond.) 5, J. W. Blackwood 6. First in five methods by all.

**CANNOCK, STAFFS.**—On Dec. 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (4, 6, 8 cover): Diana M. Preston (first quarter) 1, A. E. Barker 2, Susan J. Devey 3, R. D. Baker 4, Lynda Roberts 5, Janenne Ansell 6, G. Bradbury (cond.) 7, E. Borley 8. Goodbye to the year 1963.

**CARDIGAN, WALES.**—On Jan. 6th, 1,260 Doubles (in four methods): S. R. Thomas 1, Mrs. Jean Thomas 2, A. F. Walters (cond.) 3, R. Pateman 4, J. D. Thomas 5, B. Griffiths (first quarter) 6. First quarter in four methods for all. For Epiphany.

**DEVIZES, WILTS.**—At St. Mary's Church on Jan. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Jill Jones (first quarter) 1, R. Fisher (first 'inside') 2, Pamela Osborne 3, D. Bailey (cond.) 4, B. Osborne 5, P. Whale 6.

## QUARTER PEALS

**EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.**—At All Saints' on Jan. 6th, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Mrs. B. Percy 1, Janet Percy 2, G. Pullinger 3, F. Dallaway 4, Christine Fuller 5, T. M. Barlow 6, I. Smith 7, A. Baldock (cond., 75th quarter) 8. First in method for 2, 5, 6, 7 and 8. For the Epiphany.

**FOLKESTONE, KENT.**—On Jan. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Anne Barber 1, Jane Hough 2, Rachel Sinden 3, Vivienne Dye 4, Eleanor Hough 5, J. R. Hough 6, A. P. S. Berry (cond.) 7, A. C. Eastmead (first on eight) 8.

**FAWLEY, HANTS.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. Wills 1, Mrs. P. M. Ball 2, R. Allinson (first 'inside') 3, L. D. Smith 4, M. Peters (cond.) 5, L. V. Smith 6. For Evensong.

**GROBY, LEICS.**—On Jan. 11th, 1,260 Minor (Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob): T. Isom 1, E. Geary 2, T. E. Gardner 3, S. R. Gardner 4, V. Geary (cond.) 5, D. Dodson 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Wilfred Geary, vergers and ringer at this church.

**HOPTON, SUFFOLK.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Foreman 1, A. G. Harrison 2, E. G. H. Maynard 3, N. Watson 4, H. Ivings 5, H. B. Fuller (cond.) 6. For the Patronal Festival.

**HENSTRIDGE, SOMERSET.**—On Jan. 7th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Mary J. Dorey (first in three methods) 1, Iris E. Down (first 'inside' to three methods) 2, F. J. Hazzard 3, H. P. Sparks 4, D. M. C. Hill (first as cond. in three methods) 5, A. J. Sherrin (first in three methods) 6. A compliment to Iris E. Down and David M. C. Hill on their engagement.

**KINGSDON, SOMERSET.**—On Jan. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. J. Lewis 1, H. E. G. Jeanes 2, C. Gratton 3, E. T. P. Field (cond.) 4, Rev. C. J. B. Marshall 5, A. Hill (first quarter) 6. Rung half-muffled as a tribute of respect to Mrs. B. Pryng, wife of Mr. H. Pryng, who for many years was captain of the local band, and mother of Mr. S. Pryng, the present captain.

**KINGSWINFORD, STAFFS.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Caddick (first of Minor) 1, A. E. Morgan 2, R. A. Peakman 3, F. E. Jukes 4, Dr. D. N. Layton (cond.) 5, C. F. Jukes 6. For Evensong.

**LIMPSFIELD, SURREY.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. Walker 1, Margaret Smith 2, Anne Stenning 3, E. Jarrett 4, E. Nixon (cond.) 5, F. Reed 6.

**LYDNEY, GLOUCS.**—On Dec. 28th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: Miss S. Bowering 1, J. A. Long 2, J. Hoult 3, N. K. Winspear 4, F. Reed 5, G. T. Cousins 6, W. F. Scudamore (cond.) 7, M. Hoult 8. Arranged for the visit of Ch./Tech. (R.A.F.) F. Reed, from Cyprus.

**MILDENHALL, WILTS.**—On Jan. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Brown 1, A. Johnson (first 'inside') 2, J. Fuller 3, A. Keen 4, H. G. Keeley 5, Rev. R. Keeley (cond.) 6. First of Minor 1, 3 and 4.

**ORSETT, ESSEX.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: F. W. Blatch 1, Mrs. D. G. Mayell 2, Miss J. E. M. Hills 3, H. Smith 4, H. G. Goddard 5, D. G. Mayell (cond.) 6.

**WANTAGE, BERKS.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. R. Wood 1, G. Stoter (first 'inside') 2, I. Stoter 3, K. Leach 4, J. White (cond.) 5, H. White 6. For Evensong.

**WINFORD, SOMERSET.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Gladys Bishop 1, C. York 2, H. Ball 3, Ruth R. Ball 4, C. Bishop (cond.) 5, D. Dando 6. Rung as a tribute to the life and work of Mrs. H. W. Knight.

**WITNEY, OXON.**—On Dec. 3rd, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: T. Hester 1, L. Oliffe 2, D. Kay Adkins (cond.) 3, P. Pearce 4, P. Beedie 5, W. Clarke 6, D. Smith 7, B. J. Coggins 8. For Confirmation service. Also on Dec. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. Clarke 1, F. Soden (cond.) 2, T. Timms 3, P. Pearce 4, P. Beedie 5, B. J. Coggins 6, W. Dixon 7, T. Hester 8. For the Christmas Festival and to welcome David Andrew Beedie, Dec. 5th. Also a 21st birthday compliment to Margaret Coggins and a birthday compliment to Mrs. Oliffe, both Christmas Day.

**WOOLTON HILL, HANTS.**—On Jan. 3rd, 1,320 Doubles (Blunderbuss, Grandsire and Plain Bob): G. Littlejohn 1, C. Butler 2, J. Pares 3, E. Cox 4, G. K. Dodd (cond.) 5.

**WOOTTON WAWEN, WARWICKS.**—On Dec. 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. West (first quarter) 1, Hazel A. Arrowsmith 2, Jill Riley 3, D. Baker 4, P. S. Bennett (cond.) 5, J. Stockley 6. Rung half-muffled for the passing of 1963.

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With the peal of Plain Bob Major rung at the Loughborough Bell Foundry on Jan. 6th, the 'Monday' band has come to an end. It began on Monday, June 2nd, 1958, and practically every Monday since an attempt for a peal has been made at the Foundry. The band was first formed out of a 'Wednesday' band which had been meeting each week since May 4th, 1955. Naturally various changes in personnel have taken place, but the most significant feature has been the large number of new Surprise methods rung. The band will always be grateful to Messrs. J. Taylor and Co. for the use of their bells (and garage!) over such a long period, and it is almost quite true to say that the Leicester Diocesan Guild would not have rung the most peals per year if it were not for the facilities offered at the Bell Foundry. It is, however, hoped to form a 'Tuesday' band, with a nucleus of ringers at present in the 'Monday' band.

The peal of Stedman Cinques at Wakefield, reported on page 25, was rung on Friday, December 27th, and the ringer of the tenor was R. Gordon Corby.

Practices have been resumed at Marple on Mondays and the first peal on the augmented bells was rung by past and present members of the band on January 11th.

Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd has been appointed to the Salisbury Diocesan Advisory Committee on Faculties and the Care of Churches to assist in giving advice on bell matters.

The band which rang the peal at Whittington-in-Lonsdale, on December 28th, wish to express their gratitude to the Vicar and Mrs. Griffiths, for their hospitality after the peal. Also to the two amateur bell hangers, for their morning's work in getting the bells fit for the attempt.

Reporting on the ringing meeting-cum-party of the Durham and Newcastle Association at Chester-le-Street, on January 4th, the honorary secretary writes: 'Most things went off quite well and this included the electric light.' No wonder that Evensong at Chester-le-Street the following day included the hymn 'The people that in darkness sat.'

## BELFRY GOSSIP

After the peal of Stedman Caters at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on January 11th, the comparative youngsters (average age around 60) who made up the rest of the band warmly congratulated Mr. Reuben Sanders, who rang the sixth and whose 90th birthday occurred the following day. They were particularly glad that, having missed last year's peal through illness, he was able to take part on this occasion and ring both his bell and the method with the care and accuracy for which he has long been so well known.

The quarter peal at Rotherthorpe, Northants (see page 40), contained six extents of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and 41 of Plain Bob.

With the peal of Stedman Doubles at Locking (page 28) Messrs. Eric T. Lee and Hector G. Bird completed Stedman from Doubles to Cinques. It was the first peal of Doubles for Mr. Bird, and not Mr. Lee.

Mr. Derek P. Jones writes that the Christman broadcast was a good advertisement for our art. The Market Drayton ringing was so 'superlative' that he was enthralled and late for his own tower that morning!

The peal of 21 Spliced Surprise Royal methods rung at Rotherham, Yorks, on January 11th, was the most methods rung to a peal of Royal. Two new methods—Haslemere and Inveraray—were rung for the first time.

Through indisposition, the peal to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the formation of the Bicester Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild was postponed from December 14th until January 4th. This was not altogether inopportune as it enabled Jane and Maurice Thurmott to ring a peal with friends from Wicken, Northants, and Bicester immediately prior to moving to Yorkshire.

Spalding belfry began 1964 in a somewhat depleted state. As his many ringing friends in Lincolnshire and elsewhere already know, 1963 saw the temporary 'retirement' from active ringing of that able and popular stalwart, Stan Bennett. Now Ron Noon has a leg in plaster since an accident at work and is just hobbling about. A glance at the births column last week indicates the domestic commitments which prevent the Chapmans from doing much ringing at present.

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**A PEAL WEEK IN SOUTH-EAST BEDFORDSHIRE**(ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION  
UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.)**ARLESEY, BEDFORDSHIRE.***On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in seven methods, viz.: (1) Double Oxford Bob, (2) St. Clement's College Bob, (3) Single Oxford Bob, (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) Oxford Treble Bob, (6) Kent Treble Bob, (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 15 lb. in G.

ALAN M. BARBER .. .. Treble	BRIAN B. HULLAH .. .. 4
MARTIN MAJOR .. .. 2	GILES B. THOMPSON .. .. 5
DEREK P. JONES .. .. 3	PHILIP MEHEW .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DEREK P. JONES.

**MAULDEN, BEDFORDSHIRE.***On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. in F sharp.

MARTIN MAJOR .. .. Treble	DEREK P. JONES .. .. 5
DAVID R. SAUNDERSON .. 2	GILES B. THOMPSON .. .. 6
ANTHONY H. SMITH .. .. 3	ALAN M. BARBER .. .. 7
RONALD J. SHARP .. .. 4	PHILIP MEHEW .. .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. PERCIVAL HEYWOOD, Bart.

Conducted by DEREK P. JONES.

Rung as a welcome to the Rev. Peter Oakley.

**NORTON, HERTFORDSHIRE.****THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.***On Tues., Dec. 31, 1963, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

**A PEAL OF 5120 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 lb. in A flat.

PHILIP MEHEW .. .. Treble	BRIAN B. HULLAH .. .. 5
*A. TREVOR HAWKINS .. 2	MARTIN MAJOR .. .. 6
ANTHONY H. SMITH .. .. 3	DAVID R. SAUNDERSON .. 7
ANDREW C. D. MAYES .. 4	GILES B. THOMPSON .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GILES B. THOMPSON.

\* First peal of Major.

Rung for Hogmanay.

**STOTFOLD, BEDFORDSHIRE.***On Tues., Dec. 31, 1963, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being two extents of Kent Treble Bob, two of Cambridge Surprise and three of Plain Bob; with 5-6 the right way throughout.

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 lb. in G.

GILES B. THOMPSON .. .. Treble	A. TREVOR HAWKINS .. .. 4
ANTHONY H. SMITH .. .. 2	DAVID R. SAUNDERSON .. 5
AUDREY R. ALEXANDER .. 3	PHILIP MEHEW .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PHILIP MEHEW.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Robert W. J. Devereux; also for the passing of the old year.

**SILSOE, BEDFORDSHIRE.***On Thurs., Jan. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES-THE-GREAT,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven methods in seven extents, viz.: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Kent Treble Bob, (3) Oxford Treble Bob, (4) Double Oxford Bob, (5) St. Clement's College Bob, (6) Single Oxford Bob, (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. in B.

VERNA RIX .. .. Treble	AUDREY R. ALEXANDER .. 4
GILES B. THOMPSON .. .. 2	MARTIN MAJOR .. .. 5
ANTHONY H. SMITH .. .. 3	BRIAN B. HULLAH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MARTIN MAJOR.

**POTTON, BEDFORDSHIRE.***On Fri., Jan. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

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

AUDREY R. ALEXANDER .. Treble	SHEILA I. SMITH .. .. 4
VERNA RIX .. .. 2	ANTHONY H. SMITH .. .. 5
BRIAN B. HULLAH .. .. 3	MARTIN MAJOR .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MARTIN MAJOR.

**CLIFTON, BEDFORDSHIRE.***On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 11 cwt.

PHILIP G. ROGERS .. .. Treble	DAVID R. SAUNDERSON .. 5
CHRISTINE M. RIMMER .. 2	PHILIP MEHEW .. .. 6
AUDREY R. ALEXANDER .. 3	MARTIN MAJOR .. .. 7
*VERNA RIX .. .. 4	LEWIS H. BYWATERS .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by LEWIS H. BYWATERS.

\* First peal of Major.

**TWELVE BELL PEAL****LEICESTER.****THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Tues., Dec. 31, 1963, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes,*

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

**A PEAL OF 5069 STEDMAN CINQUES**

Tenor 25 cwt. 20 lb.

*SANDRA E. CHESTERTON .. Treble	BRIAN S. CHAPMAN .. .. 7
HERRICK B. BOWLEY .. .. 2	SHIRLEY BURTON .. .. 8
†DAVID WILFORD .. .. 3	RUSSELL S. MORRIS .. .. 9
JOHN M. JELLEY .. .. 4	WILLIAM J. ROOT .. .. 10
A. JAMES POYNOR .. .. 5	E. ALAN JACQUES .. .. 11
†DEREK M. SAWYER .. .. 6	ALAN E. HARTLEY .. .. Tenor

Composed by SHIRLEY BURTON (No. 16).

Conducted by JOHN M. JELLEY.

\* 50th peal. † First of Stedman Cinques. ‡ 100th peal. The ringer of the fifth has now completed Stedman from Doubles to Cinques.

**TEN BELL PEALS****SOUTHGATE, MIDDLESEX.****THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.***On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,*

AT CHIRST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF 5000 BEDMINSTER SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 24 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb.

DOREEN A. DEVERELL .. Treble	DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 6
E. JANE SIBSON .. .. 2	JOHN S. BARNES .. .. 7
SUSAN NEWMAN .. .. 3	FRANK J. MATTHEWS .. .. 8
SHEILA M. DOBBIE .. .. 4	PETER BERESFORD .. .. 9
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 5	DENNIS BERESFORD .. .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by DENNIS BERESFORD.

First peal in the method.

**CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.****THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.***On Tues., Dec. 31, 1963, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes,*

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF SS. MARY-THE-VIRGIN, PETER AND CEDD,

**A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL**

No. 3 version. Tenor 34 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in C.

*PETER J. CAME .. .. Treble	*IAN R. PANTON .. .. 6
JOE E. G. ROAST .. .. 2	*DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. 7
*JAMES L. TOWLER .. .. 3	PETER J. EVES .. .. 8
ANDREW S. HUDSON .. .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 9
*PATRICK W. SALTmarsh .. 5	HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE .. Tenor

Arranged by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of London Surprise Royal. First of London Surprise Royal in the county, and for the Association.

**SOUTHAMPTON.****THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.

**A PEAL OF 5040 ALBANIAN SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 16 cwt. 43 lb. in F.

MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. .. Treble	R. ROGER SAVORY .. .. 6
JOHN R. FAITHFULL .. .. 2	THOMAS H. FRANCIS .. .. 7
DAVID E. HOUSE .. .. 3	MAURICE J. BUTLER .. .. 8
DAVID J. FORDER .. .. 4	TOM CHAPMAN .. .. 9
MARGARET E. CHAPMAN .. 5	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. K. LEWIS.

Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

First peal in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Guild.

**LONDON, S.W.****MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET, WESTMINSTER,

**A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CATERS**

Tenor 26½ cwt.

HERBERT E. AUDSLEY .. Treble	REUBEN SANDERS .. .. 6
EDWIN A. BARNETT .. .. 2	FREDERICK J. CULLUM .. 7
FREDERICK W. GOODFELLOW 3	HAROLD W. CLARK .. .. 8
WILLIAM J. RAWLINGS .. 4	GEORGE J. BUTCHER .. .. 9
JOSEPH MARKS .. .. 5	JOHN W. EUSTON .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. HALEY.

Conducted by FREDERICK J. CULLUM.

A compliment to Reuben Sanders on the eve of his 90th birthday. He rang the same bell 56 years previously to his first peal of Stedman Caters.

**BEDMINSTER SURPRISE ROYAL**

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**EIGHT BELL PEALS**

WEST HARTLEPOOL, CO. DURHAM.  
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Dec. 29, 1963, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Aidan.

**A PEAL OF 5152 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 7 lb. in F sharp.

*RODNEY A. YEATES .. Treble	*MICHAEL MAUGHAN .. 5
*M. ELAINE MURCOTT .. 2	GEORGE S. DEAS .. 6
CHARLES N. LEA .. 3	FREDERICK ROSS .. 7
*JOHN E. ANDERSON .. 4	ALAN R. PATTERSON .. Tenor

Composed by C. KENNETH LEWIS. Conducted by ALAN R. PATTERSON.  
\* First peal in the method. First in the method as conductor.

BIRSTALL, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Dec. 31, 1963, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,

At the Church of St. James.

**A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in E flat.

B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. Treble	*BARRY SULLIVAN .. 5
*MRS. H. B. SCHOFIELD .. 2	FREDERICK A. MUNDAY .. 6
*PETER A. KIRKBY .. 3	*HAROLD B. SCHOFIELD .. 7
S. BARRY SCHOFIELD .. 4	*ROY BETTLEY-COOKE .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM BARTON. Conducted by FREDERICK A. MUNDAY.  
\* First peal in the method. First in the method as conductor.

BUSHEY, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Jan. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

At the Church of St. James-the-Apostle.

**A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb.

H. GEORGE HART .. Treble	S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN .. 5
ELSIE K. HART .. 2	ROGER BALDWIN .. 6
*SHEILA M. DOBBIE .. 3	KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. 7
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY .. 4	*WALTER H. DOBBIE .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by ROGER BALDWIN.  
\* First peal in the method.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Jan. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary.

**A PEAL OF 5088 BRIGHTON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

JOAN BERESFORD .. Treble	ALICK CUTLER .. 5
ERIC EDMONDSON .. 2	JOHN R. MAYNE .. 6
JOHN HILL .. 3	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 7
MARTIN F. LOCK .. 4	THOMAS J. LOCK .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

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

WATH-ON-DEARNE, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Jan. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints.

**A PEAL OF 5184 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb. in F sharp.

W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. Treble	MICHAEL R. MEADOWS .. 5
NORMAN CHADDOCK .. 2	JOHN N. CHADDOCK .. 6
BRIAN HEPPENSTALL .. 3	NEIL DONOVAN .. 7
*SANDRA CROSSLEY .. 4	RICHARD E. PRICE .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by RICHARD E. PRICE.

\* First peal on 'inside' bell.

A 21st birthday compliment to Michael and Andrew King, of Wentworth.

BICESTER, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Edburgh.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 15½ cwt.

*EDWARD J. EVANS .. Treble	ERNEST G. JONES .. 5
JANE THURMOTT .. 2	JAMES LINNELL .. 6
MAURICE J. THURMOTT .. 3	CHARLES E. TRUMAN .. 7
CYRIL H. KINCH .. 4	GEORGE E. GREEN .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN E. BURTON. Conducted by MAURICE J. THURMOTT.  
\* First peal.

To commemorate the 50th anniversary of the foundation of the Bicester Branch, O.D.G.

BRENCHLEY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours,

At the Church of All Saints.

**A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 17 cwt. in E.

REGINALD E. LAMBERT .. Treble	*DAVID S. OSENTON .. 5
THOMAS E. SONE .. 2	JOHN W. COLEMAN .. 6
CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 7
W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON .. 4	MARTIN L. HOWE .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.  
\* First peal in the method.

Rung in memory of Tom Saunders.

CHEWTON MENDIP, SOMERSET.  
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Tenor 24 cwt. 1 qr. 1 lb. in D.

ALBERT M. TYLER .. Treble	BRIAN J. WYLDE .. 5
RICHARD J. BOWDEN .. 2	*MICHAEL J. HORSEMAN .. 6
GWILYM G. SALMON .. 3	PATRICK J. BIRD .. 7
*CECIL T. CLARKE .. 4	FRANK D. MACK .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by PATRICK J. BIRD.  
\* First peal of Stedman Triples 'inside.' † First of Stedman Triples.

EDENBRIDGE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

**A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 7 lb. in F sharp.

DORIS E. COLGATE .. Treble	ROBERT W. HINDE .. 5
*HILARY F. MARTIN .. 2	†EDWARD J. JENNER .. 6
ANDREW J. CORBY .. 3	PHILIP A. CORBY .. 7
ANN JENNER .. 4	STANLEY JENNER .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN J. IVIN. Conducted by STANLEY JENNER.  
\* First peal of Major 'inside.' † First of Yorkshire.

EDENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

**A PEAL OF 5088 OXHEY SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in F.

GEOFFREY PAUL .. Treble	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. 5
JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. 2	EDWARD W. COLLEY .. 6
NORAH M. RANGLES .. 3	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. 7
JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. 4	PETER A. SHARP .. Tenor

Composed by H. G. CASHMORE. Conducted by PETER A. SHARP.  
First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Guild.

ESHER, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

At Christ Church.

**A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in A flat.

BRIAN J. BULL .. Treble	†ALAN R. MILLIDGE .. 5
*L. CAROLE ANDREWS .. 2	PAUL A. BRAND .. 6
*GERDA BARESEL .. 3	CHRISTOPHER H. ROGERS .. 7
†PATRICIA ROGERS .. 4	DAVID C. BROOKES .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM HARRISON. Conducted by DAVID C. BROOKES.  
\* First peal of Major. † First of Plain Bob Major. ‡ 25th peal.

GORLESTON, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew.

**A PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. in G.

A. WILLIAM BIRD .. Treble	DAVID CUBITT .. 5
*STEPHEN F. HIGH .. 2	NOLAN GOLDEN .. 6
*NORMAN P. J. COSSEY .. 3	H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. 7
CLIFFORD BIRD .. 4	WILLIAM B. DUNCAN .. Tenor

Composed by ANDREW J. CORRIGAN. Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.  
\* First peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major.

HARROW-ON-THE-HILL, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

At the Church of St. Mary.

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Heywood's transposition of Thurstans' Four-Part.

Tenor 19 cwt. 4 lb. in E.

*JOAN SPREADBURY .. Treble	*RICHARD E. WATERS .. 5
PATRICIA J. LAYCOCK .. 2	BERNARD E. MATTHEWS .. 6
*LORNA E. SIMPSON .. 3	JOHN R. MAYNE .. 7
BRYAN C. BURROUGH .. 4	*BRIAN A. ROSE .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of Stedman.

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter.

**A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In 12 methods, being 960 each of London and Rutland. 320 each of Bristol, Cambridge, Cray, Eastcote, Lincolnshire, New Gloucester, Pudsey, Superlative, Wembley and Yorkshire; with 139 changes of method.

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in B flat.

ALAN A. POTTS .. Treble	*ROBERT J. WARRILOW .. 5
*HAROLD C. LONYON .. 2	JOHN WORTH .. 6
BASIL JONES .. 3	*J. DAVID ATKINSON .. 7
C. KENNETH LEWIS .. 4	*FRANK OSBALDISTON .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN (Rev.). Conducted by BASIL JONES.  
\* First peal of 12-Spliced Surprise Major.

Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Miss Eileen M. Fearn.



OTLEY, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb. in F.

RONALD H. DOVE .. .. Treble	WILLIAM DIXON .. .. 5
JEFFREY P. COOPER .. .. 2	ALLAN WEAR .. .. 6
*JOHN A. SYKES .. .. 3	*C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. 7
*PETER FENNEY .. .. 4	*JOHN WEAVER .. .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY.  
\* First peal in the method.

Conducted by JOHN WEAVER.

PUDSEY, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE.

**A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 17 cwt. 13 lb. in F.

*HERBERT LAWN .. .. Treble	WILLIAM BARTON .. .. 5
ALEXANDER E. MARSH .. .. 2	BARRY SULLIVAN .. .. 6
GORDON BENFIELD .. .. 3	JOHN W. GIBSON .. .. 7
*HUGH DIMPSTER .. .. 4	JOHN AMBLER .. .. Tenor

Composed by YORKE GREEN. Conducted by ALEXANDER E. MARSH.  
\* First peal. First as conductor. First peal on the bells since recasting in 1957.

PUTNEY, LONDON.  
LONDON COUNTY ASSN. & N. SOUTHWARK DIO. GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Sir A. P. Heywood's transposition of Thurstans' Four-Part.

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in F.

MRS. O. L. ROGERS .. .. Treble	HAROLD W. ROGERS .. .. 5
MOLLY E. POWELL .. .. 2	C. MONTAGUE MEYER .. .. 6
*ROGER F. OVERINGTON .. .. 3	WILFRID G. WILSON .. .. 7
†VERONICA E. DUPRE .. .. 4	JOHN H. LOTT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WILFRID G. WILSON.

\* First peal of Triples. † First in the method.  
All the band are officers of the Association.

SALEHURST, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 16½ cwt. in E.

*†THOMAS E. SONE .. .. Treble	†DAVID S. OSENTON .. .. 5
*†MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 2	*CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. .. 6
*REGINALD E. LAMBERT .. .. 3	W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON .. .. 7
*JOHN W. COLEMAN .. .. 4	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by MARTIN L. HOWE.  
\* 200th peal together. † 50th peal together. ‡ First in the method.  
First in the method as conductor.  
A birthday compliment to Miss Carole Sone.

STOKE PRIOR, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb. in A.

ARTHUR C. BERRY .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. .. 5
*IRENE ELLESMORE .. .. 2	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. 6
IAN LLOYD .. .. 3	GERALD C. HEMMING .. .. 7
REV. ANTHONY E. CLAYTON .. 4	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by GERALD C. HEMMING.

\* First peal 'inside' on eight. † First on eight bells.

THROWLEY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

**A PEAL OF 5024 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb. in F sharp.

KATHARINE M. GUY .. .. Treble	*RICHARD G. CROSLAND .. .. 5
ARTHUR S. RICHARDS .. .. 2	*ANDREW M. MAC'VE .. .. 6
*JOHN D. FAIRCLOTH .. .. 3	*NICHOLAS J. MARTIN .. .. 7
IAN H. ORAM .. .. 4	THOMAS CULLINGWORTH .. Tenor

Composed by RICHARD G. CROSLAND. Conducted by IAN H. ORAM.  
\* First peal of 8-Spliced Surprise Major.

**FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS**

GREASLEY, NOTTINGHAM.

On Sat., Nov. 30, 1963, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In five methods, being two extents each of Cambridge and Plain Bob and one each of St. Clement's, Oxford and Kent.

JOHN HAILLET .. .. Treble	SIMON HUMPHREY .. .. 4
JOHN C. SHONFELD .. .. 2	PETER WOOLLVEN .. .. 5
RAYMOND BENFIELD .. .. 3	EDMUND SHUTTLEWORTH .. Tenor

Conducted by EDMUND SHUTTLEWORTH.

LANGLEYBURY, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Dec. 11, 1963, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

Being one extent each of Sandiacre, Carlisle, Cuncastre, London, Nether-seale, Lightfoot and York.

S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN Treble	AUGUSTIN V. GOOD .. .. 4
WILLIAM C. HUGHES .. .. 2	ROGER BALDWIN .. .. 5
WALTER AYRE .. .. 3	KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. Tenor

Conducted by ROGER BALDWIN.

SUTTON, MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Dec. 20, 1963, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 12½ cwt.

*IAN D. EDMUNDS .. .. Treble	E. MILLICENT P. LAWTON .. 4
HAROLD C. LONYON .. .. 2	ANTHONY W. LAWTON .. .. 5
CHARLES W. LAWTON .. .. 3	PETER W. HORN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES W. LAWTON.

\* First peal.

Rung as a welcoming compliment to the Rev. Alan Stent, M.A., the new incumbent.

TIDENHAM, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents, each called differently. Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb. in G.

*N. KENNETH WINSPEAR .. Treble	*JOHN E. MORGAN .. .. 4
RALPH E. SCUDAMORE .. .. 2	*CLIVE G. BRYANT .. .. 5
*BERNARD D. SIMS .. .. 3	WILLIAM F. SCUDAMORE .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM F. SCUDAMORE.

\* First peal of Minor.

Rung for the Feast of St. Stephen.

BUXHALL, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Fri., Dec. 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 BOB MINOR**

In three methods, being two extents each of Double Oxford and St. Clement's and three of Plain Bob.

*MICHAEL GARROD .. .. Treble	†RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 4
B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. .. 2	GEORGE F. THODAY .. .. 5
ALAN R. BRIDGES .. .. 3	LESLIE N. MELTON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by LESLIE N. MELTON.

\* First peal. † 100th peal during 1963.

BUNWELL, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Dec. 29, 1963, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MINOR**

In 12 methods, being (1) Single Court and Double Court, (2) D. Oxford and Thelwall, (3) St. Clement's and Childwall, (4) Oxford Bob and Plain Bob, (5) Norwich Surprise, (6) Cambridge Surprise and (7) Combined Oxford and Kent.

WILLIAM CLOVER .. .. Treble	THOMAS E. SPIGHT .. .. 4
FRANK C. J. ARNOLD .. .. 2	LESLIE BAILEY .. .. 5
HARRY TOOKE .. .. 3	PETER M. ADCOCK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM CLOVER.

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## OLD WHITTINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Dec. 31, 1963, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW.

## A PEAL OF 5040 LINCOLN SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven different extents, with all 5-6's at backstroke. Tenor 5½ cwt.

*JEFFREY S. SINGLETON .. Treble	RICHARD A. SHEKELTON .. 4
GEOFFREY N. GOODALL .. 2	LEONARD GOODALL .. 5
EILEEN J. OSBORNE .. 3	IAN M. HOLLAND .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN M. HOLLAND.

\* First peal.

## ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Jan. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb.

*BARRY THORP .. Treble	RONALD M. EDWARDS .. 4
MARGARET WRIGHT .. 2	DARRYL GILLESPIE .. 5
*MICHAEL RIGBY .. 3	JEFFREY BRANNAN .. Tenor

Conducted by JEFFREY BRANNAN.

\* First peal.

Rung to celebrate the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. W. Harrison, ringers of St. Michael and All Angels', Ashton-under-Lyne, on December 22nd.

## FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Jan. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents Kent Treble Bob Minor and five Plain Bob.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

CHRISTOPHER LOMAX .. Treble	JOSEPH THORNLEY .. 4
BERNARD MOSS .. 2	JEFFREY SAWYER .. 5
GEOFFREY FOTHERGILL .. 3	JOHN ASHCROFT .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN ASHCROFT.

## EDWINSTOWE, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Jan. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CARLISLE SURPRISE MINOR

Being two 2160's and one 720. Tenor 6 cwt.

JEFFREY S. SINGLETON .. Treble	GEOFFREY N. GOODALL .. 4
EILEEN J. OSBORNE .. 2	LEONARD GOODALL .. 5
RICHARD A. SHEKELTON .. 3	IAN M. HOLLAND .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN M. HOLLAND.

## NORTH MUSKHAM, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Jan. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven 720's, differently called. Tenor 13½ cwt.

*DAVID T. WILLIAMSON .. Treble	KATHARINE BURCHNALL .. 4
*SUSAN J. MOXON .. 2	MARY C. POYNTER .. 5
GRACE BURCHNALL .. 3	HARRY POYNTER .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY POYNTER.

\* First peal.

## HUNTINGDON.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Jan. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Norwich, Ipswich and Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent T.B., St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb.

GEORGE E. BONHAM .. Treble	PETER WOOLLVEN .. 4
JANE K. A. COOK .. 2	ALBERT J. DAVY .. 5
GEORGE W. MASSEY .. 3	HAROLD S. PEACOCK .. Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD S. PEACOCK.

Rung with best wishes for the future to the Rev. J. M. E. Bagley (after nearly 18 years as Rector of this parish) and Mrs. Bagley and family, upon their removal to Ely.

## MULBARTON, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Jan. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being seven extents of St. Nicholas', Winchendon Place, Canterbury, Reverse and Plain Bob, eight of St. Simon's and six of St. Martin's. Tenor 8½ cwt.

WILLIAM CLOVER .. Treble	LESLIE BAILEY .. 3
HENRY TOOKE .. 2	FRANK C. J. ARNOLD .. 4
*PETER ADCOCK .. 3	

Conducted by PETER ADCOCK.

\* 100th peal.

## SOUTH CERNEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Jan. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL HALLOWS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

Consisting of 25 methods in the following seven extents: (1) Carlisle, Munden, Chester; (2) London and Wells, (3) Westminster and Allendale, (4) Netherseale and Bourne, (5) Netherseale, Annable's London, Lightfoot, Wearmouth, Rossendale and Stamford; (6) Beverley, Berwick, Surfleet, Hexham, York and Durham; (7) Cambridge, Primrose, Norfolk, Ipswich, Bourne and Hull; with 86 changes of method. Tenor 11 cwt.

ROLAND T. WAKEFIELD .. Treble	VICTOR GRIFFIN .. 4
BRIAN BLADON .. 2	*PETER WAKEFIELD .. 5
ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. 3	GORDON W. LAND .. Tenor

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

\* First peal in 25 methods.

## IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Fri., Jan. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In 12 methods, being seven 720's as follows: (1) London Scholars' T.B. (2) Double Court Bob, (3) Norwich Surprise, (4) Ipswich and Cambridge Surprise, (5) St. Clement's and Double Oxford Bob, (6) Kent and Oxford T.B., (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 15½ cwt.

ROBERT E. LESTER .. Treble	ALFRED E. HONEYWOOD .. 4
*NEVILLE F. WHITTELL .. 2	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. 5
*LAWRENCE R. PIZZE .. 3	HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

\* Most methods to a peal.

## THRYBERGH, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Jan. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD.

## A PEAL OF 5040 BEVERLEY SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven different extents, with all 5-6's at backstroke. Tenor 8½ cwt.

JEFFREY S. SINGLETON .. Treble	GEOFFREY N. GOODALL .. 4
EILEEN J. OSBORNE .. 2	LEONARD GOODALL .. 5
RICHARD A. SHEKELTON .. 3	IAN M. HOLLAND .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN M. HOLLAND.

## DEENE, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Single Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in G.

RICHARD A. WEBSTER .. Treble	†ROGER W. SMITH .. 4
*RONALD RUSSELL .. 2	*ALAN A. PAUL .. 5
*†GEORGE F. ROOME .. 3	GRAHAM C. PAUL .. Tenor

Conducted by GRAHAM C. PAUL.

\* 25th peal together. † 25th peal together. First in seven Minor methods as conductor.

## FLAMSTEAD, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Double Bob, Thelwall, Childwall, St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Single Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb.

AUGUSTIN V. GOOD .. Treble	†KEITH D. WAPLES .. 4
PETER W. HARPER .. 2	WALTER AYRE .. 5
*D. JOSEPH GOODMAN .. 3	BRIAN M. BARKER .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal in seven methods 'inside.' † First in seven methods. Rung half-muffled immediately following the funeral service for Mrs. C. Russell, widow of the late Rev. Dr. Russell, some time Vicar of this parish.

## FLOOKBURGH, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In three methods, being two extents of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 17 cwt.

NICHOLAS M. NEWBY .. Treble	JAMES BLACKBURN .. 4
*NICHOLAS M. NEWBY, JUN. 2	ALAN CAPSTICK .. 5
JAMES E. DICKINSON .. 3	THOMAS F. METCALFE .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS F. METCALFE.

\* First peal in three methods 'inside.' Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar, the Rev. J. W. Garnett, inducted the previous day.



## KIMPTON, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Double Oxford, Double Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

ANN P. ROBINSON .. .. Treble	JOHN G. CULL .. .. 4
*SHEILA BROWN .. .. 2	MARTYN L. J. JORDAN .. .. 5
†ROGER D. R. BROWN .. .. 3	GERALD PENNEY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

\* First peal. † First tower bell peal.

In memoriam J. Greenwood Comben, grandfather of J. G. Cull; died December 24th, 1963, aged 96 years.

## LLANELLY, CARMARTHENSHIRE.

## THE ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ELLI.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being six 240's and 30 six-cores.	Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 10 lb.
PETER O. JONES .. .. Treble	F. JOHN KEDDIE .. .. 4
NICHOLAS J. LUPINI .. .. 2	JOHN T. WILLIAMS .. .. 5
NORMA C. COOM .. .. 3	R. JOHN BECKETT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN T. WILLIAMS.

First peal for all except conductor.

## WALKINGTON, EAST YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(Beverley and District Society.)

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL HALLOWS.

## A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Being 42 extents (four different callings).

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in B flat.

JOHN A. WATERWORTH .. .. Treble	JOAN GRAY .. .. 4
EILEEN M. HAYNES .. .. 2	SHIRLEY J. WIGHT .. .. 5
PATRICIA A. TEAL .. .. 3	NORMAN W. CASTLE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by EILEEN M. HAYNES.

First attempted peal by all. First on the bells.

All from the tower's own band.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTSHIRE.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes,

At 33, BRIDGE END ROAD,

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED TREBLE BOB MINOR

Consisting of 50 methods, in the following seven spliced extents: (1) Nelson Treble Bob, Knutsford, Rotherne, Bokedone, Wilmslow, Skip-ton, Chepstow, Fotheringay, Balmoral and Ely Delight, Bourne and Hull Surprise; (2) Burton, Rochester, Morning Star and Oxford Treble Bob; (3) Merton and Disley Delight, Sandal, London Scholars', Kings-ton, Capel, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury and Ockley Treble Bob; (4) Sandal, London Scholars', Kingston, Capel, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury, Ockley and Oxford Treble Bob, Wath, Pontefract, Carisbrooke and Donotter Delight; (5) Old Oxford, College Bob IV, Willesden, Newdigate, Neasden, St. Albans, Wragby, Charlwood, Braintree, Humber, Taxal, Marple, Clarence and Elston Delight, Morning Star Treble Bob; (6) Westminster and Allendale Surpise; (7) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Primrose, Bourne and Hull Surprise; with 152 changes of method, and a plain lead of each included.

Tenor size 15 in C.

GORDON W. LAND .. .. 1-2 | BRIAN BLADON .. .. 3-4

ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. 5-6

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

The greatest number of Treble Bob methods to a handbell peal by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.

## STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTSHIRE.

## NON-ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Dec. 30, 1963, in 1 Hour and 54 Minutes,

At 33, BRIDGE END ROAD,

## A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR

\*GORDON W. LAND .. .. 1-2—BRIAN BLADON .. .. 3-4

\*ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. 5-6

Composed by E. C. S. TURNER. Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

\* 50th peal together.

This is a one-part composition with the tenors the right way throughout.

## QUARTER PEALS

**BRAMFORD, SUFFOLK.**—On Dec. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. E. Lester 1, M. C. Garrod (first 'inside') 2, Miss A. E. J. Lester 3, R. L. K. Whittell 4, N. F. Whittell 5, L. N. Melton (cond.) 6. For the carol service.

**BURTON LATIMER, NORTHANTS.**—On Dec. 13th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: M. Staley 1, Ruth Watson (first 'inside') 2, A. Sellers 3, Enid Watson 4, Sheila Staley 5, G. Watson (cond.) 6.

**CLYST ST. GEORGE, DEVON.**—On Dec. 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. H. Crossley (first quarter) 1, J. W. Williams 2, Gill D'Aeth 3, J. D. Mack (cond.) 4, A. R. Williams 5, D. A. Wills 6.

**COPE, BEDS.**—On Dec. 29th, 1,320 Kentish Delight Minor: Miss V. Rix 1, B. B. Hullah 2, A. M. Barber 3, M. Major 4, G. B. Thompson 5, D. P. Jones (cond.) 6.

**ELLAND, YORKS.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss R. Mortimer 1, P. Birkett 2, Miss C. Linfoot 3, A. Rogers 4, E. Lord (first quarter) 5, V. Nutton (cond.) 6. A wedding compliment to David Smith and Arlene Flather.

**GREAT CHEVERELL, WILTS.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): A. Sturgess 1, Pamela Osborne 2, C. Hillier 3, B. Osborne 4, D. Bailey (cond.) 5, R. Bailey 6. First in four methods for all the band.

**GT. GRANSDEN, HUNTS.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Verna Rix 1, Jean Sanderson 2, Audrey R. Alexander 3, G. E. Bonham 4, P. Woolven 5, P. Meheg (cond.) 6.

**HATHERN, LEICS.**—On Dec. 1st, 1,440 North-umberland Surprise Minor: Celia Harris 1, Valerie Lacey 2, Judy Exon 3, D. Swift 4, R. Carter 5, T. Harris (cond.) 6. Also on Dec. 29th, 1,320 Primrose Surprise Minor: T. Harris (cond.) 1, Valerie Lacey 2, Celia Harris 3, C. Woods 4, R. Carter 5, D. Swift 6.

**HEMINGTON, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Ernest Penney (first quarter, age 13): J. Durston 2, M. Hawkins (cond.) 3, H. Hawkins 4, R. Hawkins 5, E. Green (first quarter) 6.

**HENLOW, BEDS.**—On Dec. 29th, 1,260 Minor (Single Court, Plain Bob): R. J. Fuller 1, B. B. Hullah 2, A. M. Barber (cond.) 3, G. B. Thompson 4, M. Major 5, L. H. Bywaters 6. For parish Com-munion.

**HINTON BLEWITT, SOMERSET.**—On Sept. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: F. Andrews 1, Ruth Gay (first 'inside') 2, Monica Horseman 3, M. Heymann 4, P. Gay (cond.) 5.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On Dec. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Challoner 1, R. Larkin 2, R. Blackshaw and J. Dowse 3, G. Dawson 4, J. Heaps 5, M. W. Harrison 6. Conducted by J. Heaps and M. W. Harrison. For carol service. Also on Jan. 1st, 1,440 Bob Doubles: G. Marsh 1, R. Marsh 2, J. Douse 3, R. Blackshaw 4, M. W. Harrison 5, D. Barker 6. Conducted by J. Douse and R. Marsh. A welcome to 1964.

**KIRKBY-IN-ASHFIELD, NOTTS.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Maureen Green 1, Thelma E. Staples 2, M. J. Kirk (cond.) 3, N. D. Kirk (first of Grandsire 'inside') 4, J. A. Harrison 5. Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss T. E. Staples—local tower captain. Also on Dec. 28th, 1,320 Doubles (two methods): G. Alcock (first on a moving bell) 1, Thelma E. Staples 2, A. Georgetta Harrison 3, M. J. Kirk (cond.) 4, J. A. Harrison 5. For Christmas.

**MARLOW, BUCKS.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: Jill Cook 1, J. Young 2, P. R. Dean 3, E. G. Silvey 4, Evelyn Mead 5, E. D. Poole 6, R. E. Dean (cond.) 7, L. J. Young 8.

**OXFORD.**—At the Church of St. Aldate, on Jan. 5th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Miss G. Gray 1, J. Venn 2, S. D. Edwards 3, R. H. Allsworth 4, E. R. Venn (cond.) 5, R. Benstead 6. For Evensong and as a farewell to the Rev. J. Banks who is shortly to take up the incumbency of Orlerton, Notts.

**REDHILL, SURREY.**—On Nov. 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss B. Sagers 1, D. Athfield (first 'inside') 2, A. J. Bull 3, G. Charlton 4, G. West 5, A. Streeter (cond.) 6. Also on Dec. 19th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Miss B. Sagers 1, C. H. Cook 2, W. Dunn 3, A. J. Bull 4, K. Game 5, D. West 6, A. P. Cannon 7, A. Streeter (first as cond.) 8. First of Treble Bob 1, 2 and 6.

**RIDLINGTON, RUTLAND.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,296 Plain Bob Minimus: Ann Sadler (first quarter) 1, D. McDonald 2, F. Mitchell 3, C. Hudson (cond.) 4. Believed to be the first quarter on the bells. For carol service.

**ROUGHAM, SUFFOLK.**—On Christmas Day, 720 Ipswich and 576 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Miss J. E. Wright 1, L. Wright 2, R. Rose 3, E. Nice 4, L. Nice 5, M. Rose (cond.) 6.

**SARRATT, HERTS.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: D. J. Goodman 1, D. Wilson 2, J. Chilton 3, K. Cowan 4, C. Alban (first as cond.) 5.

**SHEDFIELD, HANTS.**—On Dec. 28th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: T. C. Holland 1, D. J. Forder (cond.) 2, P. Page 3, Betty J. Daysh 4, D. B. Brown 5, A. A. J. Buswell 6, A. R. Carter 7, F. C. W. Knight 8.

**SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.**—On Dec. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Carol L. Norman 1, B. G. War-wick (cond.) 2, A. R. Mildred 3, Carol I. V. Corton 4, D. W. Stenson 5, K. H. Mildred 6, M. G. Wood 7, N. R. May 8. For Evensong. Also on Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: June E. Wood 1, Carol I. V. Corton (first as cond.) 2, B. G. Warwick 3, K. H. Mildred 4, M. G. Wood 5, D. W. Stenson 6. For Patronal Festival Evensong.

**TWEEKESBURY, GLOUCS.**—At the Abbey Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, on Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Anne Broxton 1, Nadine Price 2, J. Attwood (jun.) 3, I. Goulter 4, A. Halling 5, J. Attwood (sen.) 6, M. Hawkes (cond.) 7, A. Halling 8. First of Triples 'inside' 3 and 6. Rung half-muffled before Evensong in memory of Canon Brian Purefoy, vicar of Tewkesbury for 21 years, who died on Dec. 13th.

**WANDSWORTH, S.W.**—At the Parish Church of All Saints, on Jan. 6th, 1,272 Plain Bob Minor: J. Pratt (first of Minor and of Plain Bob) 1, R. J. Cooles 2, D. Tipler (first of Minor 'inside') 3, Rev. A. E. Clayton 4, M. J. Fellows (cond.) 5, M. J. Uphill 6. Rung for Epiphany. Fastest quarter on the bells (39 minutes) and believed to be the first of Minor on them.

**WARWICK.**—At St. Nicholas' Church, on Dec. 29th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: R. Smallwood 1, E. Gower 2, Miss S. Smith 3, Miss C. Smith 4, Miss J. Browne 5, E. Holdsworth 6, R. Randle 7, J. I. Garner-Hayward (cond.) 8. By the Sunday service band for Evensong.

**WIVELSFIELD, SUSSEX.**—On Dec. 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Smith 1, J. Plummer 2, E. Everest (cond.) 3, F. Gilbert 4, A. Millam 5, R. Gilbert 6. For Confirmation.

**WOLLATON, NOTTS.**—On Nov. 24th, 1,296 Cam-bridge Surprise Minor: S. Poppleston 1, J. Shon-feld 2, R. A. G. Benfield (first of Surprise Minor as cond.) 3, M. Poppleston 4, S. Humphrey 5, P. Humphrey 6. First of Surprise for all except the conductor. In memory of President Kennedy.



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### ENGAGEMENT

FRANKS—GRANT.—The engagement is announced between Ian, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Franks, of Radlett, Herts, and Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Grant, of St. Albans, Herts. 4018

### MARRIAGE

SMITH—FLATHER.—On Saturday, January 4th, 1964, by the Rev. J. F. Walker, David, younger son of Mrs. and the late Mr. R. J. Smith, of Elland, to Ailene, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Flather, of Halifax.

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

JOHNSON.—The address of Christopher M. P. Johnson is now 54, Gough Way, Cambridge.

### PERSONAL

'Be of the same mind one toward another... Be not wise in your own conceits.' (Romans xii, 16.)

Miss E. Steel wishes to thank all her many ringing friends who visited her in hospital, wrote letters and sent cards, fruit, chocolates, eggs (not Lion!) and flowers to cheer her up. She cannot thank everyone separately and hopes that all read the 'R.W.' and will realise how much she appreciates their kindness. She is now at home and gets about on two sticks, and hopes to be ringing again soon. 4007

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### MISCELLANEOUS

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Official Notice.—A General Committee meeting will be held in Holy Trinity, Guildford, vestry on Saturday, February 8th, at 3 p.m.—S. T. A. Russell, Gen. Hon. Sec. 4005

RINGERS' NOTEBOOK AND DIARY, 1964.—Thanks to the assistance of all purchasers of the Diary we are now permitted to insert the usual notice saying SOLD OUT.—W. Viggers, M. Hodgson. 3995

TAMWORTH.—The 10 bells at St. Edith's Church, Tamworth, are again available for limited ringing.—H. J. Dakin, Tower Sec.

UNIVERSITY OF WALES SOCIETY.—The Rag Week tour will be held in North Wales on February 14th and 15th. Details available from C. Bainham, St. David's College, Lampeter, Cards. 3968

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.—Revised practice arrangements from February 1st: Wednesdays (7.30-9 p.m.), special practice on third Saturday of each month (6-8 p.m.). Visitors most welcome.—D. E. Cobb. 3987

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS TO ALL SECRETARIES OF AFFILIATED ASSOCIATIONS.

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E. A. BARNETT,  
Hon. Secretary.

### MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Cary Branch.—Annual meeting, Castle Cary (8), on Saturday, Jan. 25th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m.—L. McCreadie, Level Lane, Charlton Horethorne, Sherborne, Dorset. 3934

CHESTER GUILD.—Stockport Branch.—Annual meeting, Stockport St. George, January 25th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15.—C. K. Lewis. 4020

DEVON GUILD.—South-West Branch.—Annual meeting, Plymouth St. Andrew's, January 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to T. G. Myers, 79, Regent Street, Plymouth.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Annual District meeting at Farnham (8) on January 25th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5.15 p.m. at the Queen of Hearts. Notifications for tea to Mr. C. W. Denyer, 15, Crondall Lane, Farnham Surrey.—D. P. Elmore, Dis. Sec.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—The annual meeting will be held at Hemel Hempstead on Jan. 25th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to G. Rees, 23, Highridge Road, Hemel Hempstead. No name no tea. 3966

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern Branch.—Annual meeting, Grantham, Saturday, Jan. 25th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to F. G. Vickers, Ermine Street, Ancaster, Grantham. 3965

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Annual general meeting, Saturday, January 25th. Bells: 3 to 4 p.m., St. John's, Waterloo; 3 to 4.30 St. Clement Danes', Strand. Service 4.45 p.m., St. Clement Danes'. Tea 5.30 p.m.—'The George'. Strand, followed by business meeting, handbell contest and social evening. Names for tea essential to Miss Powell, 56, Narbonne Avenue, S.W.4. Kelvin 2390. Tickets for the dinner, on Saturday, February 29th, at 'The Alexandra Hotel', Clapham Common, will be available, price 16s.—Sec. 3970

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Branch committee meeting at Bray, Saturday, Jan. 25th. 3.30 p.m. Tea 5. Ringing 6 to 9 p.m. Names please to Miss Hague, 6, Stompits Road, Holyport, Maidenhead. 3893

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northampton Branch.—Annual general meeting, Saturday, Jan. 25th. Holy Sepulchre, Northampton. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. G. F. Roome, 36, Fairway, Kingsley Road, Northampton. 3931

SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION.—Meeting at Dundee on Saturday, January 25th. Ringing from 2.15 p.m., both towers will be available in turn during the afternoon. Bring your own torches. 4014

SOUTH DEVON ASSOCIATION.—Annual meeting in Upton Church Hall, Torquay, Saturday, January 25th. Tea and bells available afterwards. Numbers for tea to B. E. Bartlett, 17, Ash Hill Road, Torquay. 3924

SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Annual general meeting, Prittlewell (10), Saturday, January 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to P. Sloman, 26, Ennismore Gardens, Southend-on-Sea. 3924

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Division.—Practice meeting changed to Hoec and Westham on January 25th. Hoec (5) 3 till 4.30 p.m. Westham (6) 6 till 8 p.m. Tea (Westham) 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to D. R. Fuller, 'Droslyn', High Street, Westham, Pevensey.—I. Smith, Sec. 3971

### UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY

Dinner Day, January 25th  
Stoke Bishop will not be available for ringing as announced. 4000

### BACK NUMBERS

'The Ringing World' has received a very generous gift of back numbers dating from 1919 to 1959. While some are brown with the passing of years, the majority are clean and serviceable. We propose to offer these to readers who want to complete their files. The charge will be 8d. per copy post free.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Basingstoke District.—Annual District meeting at Basingstoke, Saturday, Jan. 25th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service at St. Michael's Church 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. All Saints' bells available. Names for tea to J. Cheringman, Leacroft, Sherborne St. John, Basingstoke. 3962

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—The ringing practice for Tuesday, January 28th, will now be at Southwark Cathedral commencing 6.30 p.m.—John Chilcott. 3964

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Advanced practice, Aldershot, January 28th at 7.45-9 p.m. 4017

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Rural Branch.—Monthly meetings will now take place on a week-day evening, during the last week of the month. The first will be on Tuesday, January 28th, at St. Ambrose's. Bells (8) available from 7.30-9 p.m. Please make these practice meetings a success.—J. Jefferies, Branch Sec. 4004

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—Meeting at Elstow, Saturday, February 1st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Further ringing after tea. Special methods: College Exercise and Plain Bob.—F. W. Rivett, Dis. Sec. 3976

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northwich Branch.—Annual meeting at Davenham on Saturday, February 1st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to Mr. H. W. Howard, 'Beverley', Lime Avenue, Leftwich, Northwich.—R. W. Worrall, Hon. Sec. 3990

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Warwick Branch.—Meeting at Snitterfield, February 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by January 30th to I. C. Maycock, 109, Heathcote Road, Whitnash, Leamington Spa. 3997

DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Meeting, Saturday, February 1st. St. George's, Jesmond. 2.30 p.m. start. Names for tea to Mrs. A. Bolton, 19, Osborne Road, Newcastle on Tyne. 2. 4016

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Meeting at Burwell, Saturday, February 1st, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting.—R. J. Palmer. 4001

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leatherhead District.—Annual District meeting, ASHTEAD (not Leatherhead), on Feb. 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Notifications for tea by previous Wednesday to Mr. J. T. Symonds, 44, West Farm Avenue, Ashstead, Surrey. 3961

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bridge-north District.—Annual meeting will be held on Saturday, February 1st. Ringing, St. Mary's, 3-4.15 p.m. Service, St. Leonard's, 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Ringing, St. Leonard's, after business meeting. 4009

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Watford District.—Annual District meeting at Watford on Saturday, February 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. Smith, 131, Hampermill Lane, Oxhey, Watford.—J. M. Bunyan, Dis. Sec. 4006

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Lancaster Branch.—Meeting at Hornby on Saturday, February 1st. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss P. James, Greycroft, Melling Road, Hornby, Lancaster.—P. Handley. 4013

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.—Meeting, Saturday, February 1st, at St. James', Poolstock, Wigan, 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. L. Williams, 4, Coronation Street, Poolstock.—D. R. Jones, Sec. 3977



**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.**—Monmouth Branch.—Surprise Major practice, Caerleon, February 1st, 2 p.m. Methods: Cambridge and Yorkshire.—W. Thompsett, 'Honeymeade,' Malpas, Newport. 3988

**MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.**—Next meeting will be held at Newhall, Saturday, February 1st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea at 5 p.m.—J. Cotton. 4010

**NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting, St. Mary's, Bucknall (6), on Saturday, February 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. F. W. Grocott, School House, Arbourfield Drive, Berry Hill, Bucknall, Stoke-on-Trent, by Tuesday, January 28th. No name no tea. A good attendance, please.—G. C. Beech, Hon. Sec. 3992

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—Annual Branch meeting on Saturday, Feb. 1st. Diss. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Special welcome to members of Suffolk Guild. Names for tea by Wednesday, Jan. 29th, to Mr. A. G. Harrison, 20, Chapel Street, Diss, Norfolk.—C. F. W. Phillippo, Hon. Sec. 3937

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—Monthly practice at Stony Stratford, Saturday, February 1st. Bells (8) from 6 p.m.—R. W. Sear, Hon. Sec. 4008

**OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.**—The annual dinner will be held on Saturday, Feb. 1st, at 8 p.m., in Jesus College. Tickets, price £1, and ringing details from J. W. Thorp, St. John's College, Oxford. 3935

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guilborough Branch.—Meeting, East Haddon, Saturday, February 1st. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to J. E. Goddard, 45, Station Road, Long Buckby, Rugby. 4012

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Peterborough Branch.—Annual meeting, Saturday, February 1st. St. Mary's, Peterborough. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Evening ringing at St. John's (8) and St. Mary's. Names for tea by Wednesday, 29th, to R. H. Daw, 37, Elmfield Road, Peterborough. 4012

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—Monthly meeting, Holt (6), Saturday, February 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to A. Knight, 6, Southwick Road, North Bradley, Trowbridge. 3981

**SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Monthly meeting, Sherburn-in-Elmet, Saturday, February 1st. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Please provide own food, cups of tea only available.—L. M. Woodhead, Hon. Sec. 3998

**SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Meeting at Wentworth, Saturday, February 1st. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Please send names to Mr. Andrew King, Wentworth Vicarage, Wentworth, near Rotherham, by January 29th.—J. Seager. 3993

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Annual dinner, February 1st, at Church House, Westminster. Tickets, one guinea, available. Ringing arrangements: St. James', Clerkenwell, 11 a.m.-12.15 p.m.; Southwark Cathedral, 1-2: St. Giles', Cripplegate, 2.15-3.30; St. Andrew's, Holborn, 4-5.15; St. Giles-in-the-Fields, 5-6 p.m.—F. J. Matthews, 145, Wimbledon Park Road, S.W.18. 4011

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Nottingham District.—Meeting, Saturday, February 1st. Bulwell. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify, by the previous Wednesday. S. Adams, 54, Wilford Road, Ruddington. 3972

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—Annual Divisional meeting, Saturday, February 1st, at Horsham (8). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, January 29th, to Mrs. E. L. Hairs, Hon. Sec., Norman Cottage, Park Corner, Groombridge, Sussex. 3983

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Winchester District.—Annual meeting, Feb. 1st, St. Maurice's Hall, Winchester. 2.30 p.m. Tea 4. Service in Cathedral 5.15. Bells (12) 6 p.m. Names for tea by Jan. 27th to D. B. Brown, 3, Moss Road, Winnall, Winchester. 3994

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Christchurch District.—Annual meeting, Saturday, February 1st, at Christchurch. Bells (12) from 3 p.m. and after meeting. Service 4.15. Tea and meeting in Church Hall 5 p.m. Sopley bells (6) may be available in evening. Names for tea to Mrs. A. V. Davis, 24, Stourcliffe Avenue, Southbourne, Bournemouth. 3995

**EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—Meeting at Sevenoaks (8), Saturday, February 8th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Ringing in the evening, 6-8.30. Names for tea by February 5th to Miss D. Colgate, 30, Buckhurst Avenue, Sevenoaks. 3991

**GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.**—East Devon Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Colleigh on February 8th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting after. Names for tea by 5th to Mr. W. Sparkes, Burnside, Colleigh, Honiton. Phile Wilmington 200.—W. Webb, Sec. 3975

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Quarterly general meeting in Loughborough District, February 8th. Bells available: Castle Donington (6), 2-2.45 p.m.; Diseworth (6), 2.30-3.15; Kegworth (8), 3-3.45 (subject to floor being safe); Shepsed (8), 3-4; Hathern (6), 3.30-4.15; Loughborough All Saints' (10), 3-4.25; Bell Foundry (10), 6.30-8.30. Service, Loughborough All Saints', 4.30. Tea, followed by meeting, Fearon Hall, 5 p.m. Adults 3s., juniors 2s. Names for tea to Miss G. Doggett, 8, Albert Place, Loughborough, Leics, by February 5th. All nominations for general officers and any proposed alterations to rules must be made by this meeting.—B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4015

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Branch.—Annual meeting, Great Yarmouth, February 8th. Bells (12) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by February 5th certain to Mr. P. Newstead, 23, Barnard Avenue, Great Yarmouth.—N. P. J. C., Branch Sec. 3979

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Notts District.—Annual meeting, Saturday, February 8th. East Retford (10), West Retford (6) and Babworth (6) available afternoon and evening. Service in East Retford Church at 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting at 5 p.m. in Ebsworth Hall. Names for tea by 4th to Mr. W. Coates, 'Glennville,' Strawberry Road, Retford.—H. Denman. 3995

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting at Sprotborough, February 15th. Details later.—J. J. L. Gilbert. 4003

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Committee meeting, Lytham St. Anne's, Saturday, February 22nd, at 3 p.m., in St. Anne's Parish Church School Room. Tea 4.45 p.m. at 4s. 6d. per head. Names to Mr. H. R. Preston, 75, Curzon Road, Lytham St. Anne's, together with money, by Friday February 14th. Bells available: St. Anne's (8) from 2 to 3 and at 6 p.m. and Lytham Parish Church (St. Cuthbert's) (8) from 12.30 to 2 p.m. 3978

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.**—Llandaff Branch.—Annual meeting to be held at Penarth on Saturday, February 22nd. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business to follow. Names for tea by February 3rd to W. J. Goodfellow, 33, Brook Road, Fairwater, Cardiff. 3989

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## QUARTER PEALS

**ALDERSHOT, HANTS.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: E. J. Bragg 1, D. Elsmore 2, A. Elsmore 3, Sylvia Tate-Mitchell (first quarter of Stedman) 4, W. H. Viggers 5, T. Page 6, G. K. Williamson (first of Stedman as cond.) 7, R. Bragg 8. For Evensong.

**EASTON-IN-GORDANO, SOMERSET.**—On Nov. 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: B. Peaston (first quarter) 1, C. Bennett 2, G. Skelly 3, V. James 4, B. Goodliffe (cond.) 5, C. Coumbs 6.

**GRANBY, NOTTS.**—On Jan. 14th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Joan N. Challinor 1, R. Marsh 2, S. Jane Dowse 3, C. R. Larkin 4, G. A. Dawson (cond.) 5, A. Morris 6.

**LEIGH, LANCs.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Doubles (April Day, Plain Bob and Grandire): P. Gregory (first quarter) 1, Margaret E. Fort 2, D. Bennett (first of Doubles) 3, D. Burgess 4, J. Ashcroft 5, W. Davies 6. For Evensong.

**NETHERTON, DUDLEY, WORCS.**—On Jan. 3rd, 1,224 London Surprise Minor: Rev. A. E. Clayton 1, Yvonne Edwards 3, M. J. Fellows (cond.) 4, J. C. Eisel 5, M. D. Fellows 6, G. Westwood 7, Molly Tromans 8.

**PALGRAVE, SUFFOLK.**—On Dec. 10th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor (6, 8 cover): N. Watson 1, E. G. H. Maynard 2, Miss B. Syrett 3, A. G. Harrison 4, C. Catchpole 5, H. Hines 6, H. B. Fuller (cond.) 7, A. G. Driver 8. Rung for the Institution and Induction of the new Rector, Rev. J. T. W. Pyches.

**PONTEFRAC, YORKS.**—At All Saints', on Dec. 20th, 1,260 Grandire Triples: K. P. Sissons 1, P. Copley (first in method) 2, Miss D. M. Blow 3, C. B. Dove (cond.) 4, A. Sheppard 5, J. Potts 6, J. Weaver 7, P. Fenney 8.

**PORTBURY, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 11th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): R. Goodliffe 1, G. Skelly 2, V. James 3, B. Goodliffe 4, M. Horseman (cond.) 5, A. Saye 6. A 21st birthday compliment to Miss J. Brake.

**ROCHESTER, KENT.**—At the Cathedral, on Nov. 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: J. W. Gander 1, C. S. Jarrett (cond.) 2, Miss G. F. Parkes 3, M. F. Layton 4, B. F. Baker 5, D. S. Osenton 6, C. E. J. Norris 7, L. Crouch 8, R. E. Norris 9, C. T. Osenton 10. Rung in honour of the christening of Jacqueline Elizabeth Layton, daughter of Michael F. Layton and Mrs. Layton at the Cathedral.

**ST. CRANTOCK, CORNWALL.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Grandire Doubles: Margaret Weston (first quarter) 1, D. Docking 2, J. Roberts 3, C. Stephens 4, A. H. Eplett (cond.) 5, L. Moss 6. Rung for the 21st birthday of the treble ringer.

**SHARNBROOK, BEDS.**—On Jan. 4th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Miss K. A. Rivett 1, S. J. Wooler (first of Surprise 'inside') 2, J. W. Thorp 3, R. F. Law 4, M. J. Marriott 5, F. W. Rivett (cond.) 6. Rung after a peal attempt was lost.

**SHELEY, YORKS.**—On Jan. 3rd, 1,320 Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Minor: T. Tarbatt 1, H. Burton (first of Treble Bob Minor) 2, Miss S. Peace 3, Miss E. Peace (cond.) 4, A. Dunnbirch 5, B. Hepponstall 6.

**STOURBRIDGE, WORCS.**—In the belfry of St. Thomas' Church, on Dec. 27th, 1,260 Doubles (10 methods): P. L. Bill 1-2, M. J. Fellows (cond.) 3-4, M. D. Fellows 5-6.

**STOCKBURY, KENT.**—On Jan. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Mrs. M. Croal 1, Mrs. F. J. Cheal 2, F. J. Cheal 3, S. Rayfield 4, A. J. Dunk (cond.) 5. Birthday compliments to the conductor, Miss C. Major, Miss D. Southam and Mr. T. Wickins (21st).

**WICKEN, NORTHAMTS.**—On Jan. 9th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. Linnell 1, G. Green (cond.) 2, B. Eglesfield 3, E. Evans 4, J. Chance 5, M. Hooton 6, T. Roberts 7, G. Foddy 8. First of Stedman 3 and 4.

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## THE PROFESSOR AGAIN DISCOURSES

WITH the intention of pursuing further his epoch-making documents on 'Common Fallacies connected with Change-Ringing,' I called once again on the Professor. He was, however, in a loquacious and discursive mood, a condition I ascribed partly to his habit of protracting the festive seasonal spirit and partly to the occasional visits he made to the decanter on the sideboard.

Don't misunderstand me; the Professor is no toper. It requires but little encouragement (liquid or otherwise) to unloose the strings of his garrulity, nor, I hasten to add, does this encouragement (liquid or otherwise), in any way impair the clarity of his judgment, the soundness of his arguments nor the tenacity of his tenets.

We discussed several topics, disposed of them, and eventually arrived at the record-breaking Spliced Minor peal.

'What did you think of *that*?' he asked.

'A magnificent effort,' was my considered opinion.

'Truly so. But what is happening to the purists? Here is a peal, hailed as the greatest Minor achievement, which contains all the haberdashery of six-bell methods; which includes single-change methods and irregular ones with a treble that dances up and down its devious path in eight different ways. Is there a word of protest from anyone on the Central Council? Any outcry from outraged orthodoxy? A scathing epistle from you about single-change methods or one from C. K. Lewis about irregular ones? Too much milk and honey in "The Ringing World" nowadays; that's what there is!'

'You can't expect me to moan about single-change methods when the peal includes irregular ones, especially after I have made such a song and dance about the ostracism of the latter!'

'Which is a tacit admission from you that single-change methods are as good as irregular ones. Or are you prepared to waive your objections because some of your precious extents are included?'

Really, he would infuriate a saint. I changed the subject.

'Which do you prefer,' I asked. 'Yorkshire ends or rope-ends?'

'There are arguments for and against both, most of which have already been advanced in the "R.W." I have prepared a mathematical formula together with certain statistical information in the form of graphs which tend to show that, by and large, Yorkshire ends are better for practice and Sunday service ringing, and rope-ends for peal ringing. Indeed I am inclined to think that the increase in the number of rope-ends in use corresponds closely to the increase in the number of peals rung.'

'Did you hear,' he chuckled gleefully, 'that a well-known protagonist of rope-ends a few years ago rang a peal on a "tuft-end" and being, as is well-known, averse to trying his bell beforehand found that he had to ring the peal on the bare rope above the tuft. The result was, according to one eye-witness, "the prettiest pair of hands he had ever seen in his life".'

'Indeed,' I said politely.

'"Like raw meat," was I think his verdict! If there is any moral in that you can unearth it for yourself, but I am hardly surprised at this gentleman's objection to Yorkshire ends!'

'With regard to trying bells beforehand,' he went on, 'perhaps it is undignified, but did you know that it used to be common practice at one time at the rehearsal of a team on a strange ring one or two weeks before a contest for a ringer carefully to adjust the length of his rope and then pull it across to the belfry wall where he would make a mark so that when he returned on the day of the contest he would have an immediate check of its length?'

'Perhaps,' I observed, 'it was because the ringers went to so much trouble that the standard of striking was so high.'

'Mebbe.'

We talked of other things too, but perhaps I can leave these discussions till later.

It struck me on the way home that a new or freshly spliced rope affixed in the interim would play havoc with the system of the mark-on-the-belfry-wall-method-of-adjustment ringer.

H. C.



# 1963 WAS A GREAT YEAR FOR PEAL RINGING

Mr. Neil Bennett, of Ashton-under-Lyne, who is the secretary of the Manchester Branch of the Lancashire Association, is the leading peal ringer of 1963. This has been a great year for him as regards ringing as he rang the third in the extent of Plain Bob, the 13,320 Plain Bob Royal 'in hand' and also 21,600 Spliced Treble Bob in 60 methods.

Neil has rung about 300 peals, conducted 60. He started ringing in 1954 at Ashton-under-Lyne. First peal, 1956, Ringing Master at St. Peter's, Ashton, since leaving University College of Wales, Aberystwyth, in 1960.

Closely behind him is Mr. Roderick W. Pipe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Pipe, who has scored heavily in peals during his attendance at Birmingham. Roddy is the leading conductor of 1963 with a total of 61. John R. Mayne is No. 2 on the list of conductors with 55 out of his 81 peals, followed by Mr. Jack L. Millhouse with 53 out of 68.

The leading lady ringer is Miss Susan Funnell, of King's Norton, Birmingham, who is 18 years of age. Her total of 60 peals consists of Maximus 11, Cinques 2, Royal 8, Caters 1, Major 36 and Minor 2. Although she was taught to ring by her sister at the age of nine, her peal total at the end of 1962 was only 13. Susan acknowledges her great and rapid advance during 1963 to the help of Birmingham ringers.

The second lady is Mrs. S. Kathleen M. Baldwin with 55 peals. Her husband was in all her peals this year and they included 30 'in hand'.

	Tower	Hand	Total
Neil Bennett	100 (31)	12 (3)	113
Roderick W. Pipe	101 (61)		101
Bernard F. L. Groves	83 (32)	3	86
D. John Hunt	82 (31)		82
John Robinson	82 (7)		82
John R. Mayne	54 (35)	27 (20)	81
J. W. Cotton	75		75
Frederick Shallcross	64 (22)	9 (2)	73
Robert B. Smith	46 (13)	26 (11)	72
George E. Thoday	71 (25)		71
Jack L. Millhouse	68 (53)		68
Derek A. Ashton	63 (8)	3	66
Cyril S. Jarrett	64 (7)	2 (1)	66
Geoffrey Davies	60 (22)	5	65
Norman J. Goodman	64		64
Frederick Ross	64		64
Maurice C. Hughes	61	1 (1)	62
Trevor A. Cross	60 (5)	1	61
Gordon W. Land	34 (4)	27	61
Susan Funnell	60		60
Ian H. Oram	60 (30)		60
B. Stedman Payne	37 (4)	23 (14)	60
Martin D. Fellows	51 (8)	7 (1)	58
Andrew M. Macve	54 (13)	3 (1)	57
Thomas J. Lock	48 (5)	8	56
Roger Baldwin	25 (15)	30 (10)	55
S. Kathleen M. Baldwin	25	30	55
Ian C. Maycock	54 (22)	1	55
Martin L. Howe	53 (4)		53
John M. Jelley	29 (12)	24 (6)	53
E. Jane Sibson	52		52
Michael J. Fellows	43 (7)	8 (6)	51
Geoffrey Paul	51		51
Anthony R. Peake	23 (15)	28 (28)	51
D. Butterworth	49 (4)	1	50
Brian Harris	50 (10)		50
Michael J. Hobbs	50 (1)		50
Derek E. Sibson	50 (43)		50
Giles B. Thompson	38 (54)	11	49
Peter S. Bennett	48 (14)	1	49
John C. Baldwin	48 (2)		48
John F. Barlow	48 (2)		48
Peter Bridle	47	1	48
Robert C. Kippin	47 (21)		47
J. Martin Thorley	47 (18)		47
Alan M. Barber	45 (14)		45
Maryl R. Crossthaite	45 (1)		45
John H. Fielden	44		44
Geoffrey R. Parker	44		44
R. A. Clarke	24 (2)	19 (2)	43
C. C. Clarke	42 (2)		42
B. G. Key	42 (38)		42
A. James Poyner	41 (10)		41
Nicholas J. Davies	36 (8)	4	40
Andrew S. Hudson	10 (6)	30 (10)	40
Brian G. Warwick	37 (35)	3 (2)	40
R. A. G. Benfield	39 (4)		39
John Faircloth	38	1	39
J. Henry Fielden	36 (10)	3 (1)	39
L. Stillwell	39 (4)		39
Richard E. Price	38 (4)		38
David J. Allen	37 (3)		37



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A. Patrick Cannon	37 (15)	37
Don C. Exell	36 (10)	1 (1) 37
Cyril Crossthaite	37 (18)	37
Christopher Osenton	36 (3)	1 37
Peter A. Sharp	37	37
William A. Birmingham	36	36
Joyce Gurnhill	36	36
Mrs. E. M. Key	36	36
Anthony R. Kench	34 (5)	1 35
J. M. H. Hunter	20 (3)	15 (8) 35
Richard J. Parker	34 (6)	34
Alan R. Patterson	25 (2)	9 (2) 34
Trevor N. J. Bailey	34 (1)	34
David J. Llewellyn	34 (10)	34
John A. Acres	7 (1)	26 33
Harold C. Lonyon	33	33
C. A. Wratten	32 (8)	32
Philip J. Crossthaite	32	32
Thomas Cullingworth	32	32
Geoffrey R. Drew	31 (10)	1 (1) 32
Sylvia M. Drew	31	1 32
Wilfrid G. Wilson	30 (5)	2 32
Richard C. L. Brown	31 (3)	31
Derek P. Jones	31 (25)	31
Martin Major	28 (6)	3 (3) 31
S. Barry Schofield	31 (2)	31
Peter J. Staniforth	12 (3)	19 (16) 31
M. D. Barsby	24	6 30
C. Barry Dove	30 (22)	30
H. Poyner	21 (11)	9 (8) 30
B. Gillian Schofield	30 (2)	30
Kenneth B. Sissons	29 (5)	1 (1) 30
S. C. Walters	16	14 (1) 30
Stanley Jenner	30 (14)	30
Victor Griffith	28	1 29
D. F. Moore	16 (2)	13 (4) 29
Alan R. Pink	29 (21)	29
Mary C. Poyner	22	7 29
Mary S. Taylor	29	29
Charles E. Truman	29 (10)	29
Eric J. F. Wall	29	29
Raymond H. Daw	28 (1)	28
Gillian M. Hussey	28	28
Stanley G. Ponting	28	28
Howard Oglesby	28 (16)	28
George H. Randles	28	28
Mrs. Norah M. Randles	28	28
Michael J. Thomas	28	28
James Thorley	28	28
Pamela M. Turner	28	28
Ann Fellows	27 (1)	27
Ann Jenner	27	27
David Vincent	27	27
Roger Leigh	27 (11)	27
Graham C. Paul	27 (16)	27
Jennifer Sceeney	27 (1)	27
David Osenton	26	26
John P. Partington	26 (1)	26
Geoffrey Fothergill	26 (1)	26
John Weaver	26 (3)	26
William A. Yates	26 (7)	26
Mrs. Margaret A. Bould	25	25
George W. Holland	25 (7)	25
James Linnell	25	25
R. Kingsley Mason	25 (4)	25
Malcolm M. Powell	25	25
Roger W. Smith	25 (1)	25
Thomas E. Sone	25 (1)	25

## Tenor Crashes at Wedding

During ringing for a wedding at Hoyland, near Barnsley, the largest of the three bells crashed and wedged itself in the bell tower six feet lower down. The bellringer, Martyn Taylor, luckily escaped with a showering of dust and plaster.

The Vicar (the Rev. Wilfred Clark) thinks that a subsidence may have been the cause of the bell falling.

According to Mr. N. F. Moxon, the bell is 28 ins. diameter, and reports give its weight about a ton.

The gravity of such an accident is a warning. Bells and fittings should be frequently inspected and an adequate insurance provided for ringers and bells.

## Bell Accident at Finchampstead

His many friends in the Oxford and Guildford Guilds will be sorry to hear that Mr. William J. M. Parker, captain of Sandhurst ringers, met with an accident while attending to the bells at St. James', Finchampstead, where he was helping the locals at practice.

He is at present in Blagrove Hospital, Reading, with an injured foot and it is unlikely that he will be home for several weeks.

We all wish him a speedy recovery. B.C.

## 50 YEARS AGO

'R.W.' January 30th, 1914 —  
Editorial.—The question of inter-affiliation is really taking definite shape and coming within the region of practical politics. As has been already recorded, the Llandaff Association will officially bring the matter to the notice of the Central Council, the Worcestershire Association have considered the subject, and now the Warwickshire Guild have debated it at one of their quarterly meetings and are to discuss it further at the annual meeting. This, of course, is the way to get the matter ventilated and to ascertain the real feeling of ringers on the subject, and doubtless now that the ball has once been set rolling other Associations will follow suit and weigh up the pros and cons in order that their representatives when they go to Winchester at Whitsun may have behind them the knowledge that they speak with the full authority of their members'....

## CORRECTION

Inadvertently there were three errors in the report of the Northern District, Hertford County Association (page 62). The date was January 4th, Miss Ann Sanderson and Mr. C. Worboys were congratulated on their wedding and elected to the District Committee were Mr. C. Worboys and Miss J. Sanderson. These were not made by our correspondent, to whom we apologise.



# POINTS FROM 1963 PEALS

By Canon K. W. H. FELSTEAD

SINCE it is many months since I last sent an account of the things I notice in bringing my card index up to date, this article will cover most of the peal ringing of 1963. As usual, Loughborough Bell Foundry has had most peals in the year—57 have appeared so far and there is a chance of one or two more since they don't always appear when rung. The same is true of Birmingham Cathedral where, for a church, I have recorded the astonishing number of 49 peals last year. So quite likely the 50th may be printed soon. Not many authorities would allow so many attempts in a year! Recently, this Cathedral passed the 400 mark of peals rung since 1881 (when 'Bell News' first was published). Of these, 378 have been rung since the last war! There had been only three this century before that war.

Ashton-under-Lyne, S. Peter's, also had a high number of peals last year—nearly 40. Sometime last February this tower passed the 250 peal mark, but this included all rung from the time of the first peal in 1872. Another 250 pealer is Hethersett, which reached the total on November 8th. The first peal here was in 1891. No tower passed the 200 peal mark but S. Nicholas', Brighton had its 150th peal since 1881 (there are earlier peals here though). Centuries have also been scarce recently and there is only one to mention this time—Overseale on August 7th. The first peal was in 1920 and I see that 39 of the first 50 peals were of Triples. During the last 10 years there has been greater variety.

Quite a few towers have reached their half-century—some claimed as such and some not. They are Barking (Suffolk), North Bradley (where I made the 50th April 20th not May 24th), Chorley (S. Laurence), Morpeth, Preston, Packwood, Great Holland and last, but no means least—Marston, which now will ever go down in history as the first 5-bell tower to reach this total. They've all been rung since the last war, mostly in the last few years, for the tower was not even mentioned in the list of 5-bell towers I gave which had had 10 peals in 1955! Congratulations to Marston ringers!

## 20 FIRSTS IN TOWER

The number of unpealed towers has been reduced quite handsomely since last I wrote—some 20 new names having appeared in the peal lists. I confirm the following claims for first peals—Norton Bavant, Bridestowe, Cranfield, Heydon, Hemington, Little Horkeley, Farnborough (Warwick), Chirbury, Chelmerston, Ripe, Cattistock, Cardigan, Hathersage, Selborne and Gedling. Of these, Cattistock deserves mention as being one of the very few 8-bell towers which hadn't previously had a peal. It was the last to be conquered in Dorset. Little Horkeley was a war-destroyed ring. There had been one peal (in 1935) on the old bells. First peals unclaimed are Horningssea, Puriton, Lapworth, Ascott-under-Wychwood, and Ruabon. Two towers had claims for first peals which is not so unless the bells had been recast in the meantime. Wykeham had a previous peal of Grandsire Doubles in 1913 and Shrewton had a peal (Bob Minor) in 1929.

Mention of these peals rung many years ago brings me to my usual next subject of towers which have had to wait for a long time for another peal to be rung. The longest wait this time was at Portbury where I confirm that the only previous peal rung there was in 1907. Two other towers besides Wykeham (above) have not been in the peal lists since 1913. They are Emmanuel, Clifton and

Appledore (Devon). In both cases they are the only previous peals. Although Easton Neston had eight peals between 1910 and 1920, there haven't been any more until the recent one. Milton Malsor last had a peal in 1924, the first on the bells being in 1923. Shaugh Prior's only other peal was in 1927. Those last appearing in 1929 include Shrewton (already mentioned), Silverdale (the claim was first peal for 25 years—it was actually nearly 35 years!) and Fowey. This last tower had a claim for first of Major on the bells. This is not so unless they have been recast. The first on the bells (in 1913) was Bristol Major, the only other peal before the recent one being the 1929 one of Grandsire Triples.

At Stoke Goldington, I confirm that the peal last year was the first on the 6. There had been just one on the 5—in 1932. I fear the peal at Bledington was not the first on the bells—Grandsire Doubles was also rung in 1932. Three towers last appeared in 1933—Meavy, where the first peal was in 1929, Tuebrook and Whittington (Lancs). Tuebrook is the case of a tower being much more popular in the past than at present. Before the first war, 18 peals were rung between 1873 and 1912. In the 20's, eight more were rung and in 1931, 1932 and 1933 one each year. Then silence for 30 years. Thus the tower is unlike most mentioned in this section which usually have only had one or two before. This is the case with Great Missenden, for instance, which had had two peals before the recent one—in 1930 and 1934. The last time a peal was rung at Witham-on-the-Hill was also 1934, where I confirm the one last year was the first on the recast bells. The old bells also had five peals between 1890 and 1909. Bideford and Buckden have been peal silent since 1935—the former had also had a peal in 1921 and 1933 whereas it was the latter's first peal on the bells in 1935. Four places last appeared in the peal lists in 1937—Barlborough (first in 1914—six peals in all now), Lenham (seven peals from 1898 to 1937), Workop (16 peals on the old bells from 1885 to 1937) and Hoghton. This last tower is another 'Tuebrook'. There were 12 peals from 1888 to 1913 and 34 from 1920 to 1937, including 28 in the 1920's. I hope the recent peal shows an interest in ringing there again.

## BETHNAL GREEN'S UNUSUAL POSITION

In 1938, the following towers had their last peals before the ones last year—Ipswich, S. Matthew's, Reddish, Hooe, Bridgwater, Tetbury, Altarnun and Monk Sherborne. Of these, the '38 peal has been the only other one at Hooe and Monk Sherborne, whilst there was also one in 1937 at Altarnun. Ipswich, S. Matthew, has now had nine peals—six between 1933 and 1938: Reddish had 55 from 1897 to 1938; Bridgwater 18 from 1896 to 1938; Tetbury 11 from 1894 (three that year) to 1938. Two other towers have not been seen in the peal columns since before the last war. In 1939 was the only previous true peal at S. Denys (I said 'true' because a false one was rung in 1951). Bethnal Green, likewise, had its last peal that year. Here, however, is a famous centre of the past. I have recorded 91 peals before 1881 and there were 84 from 1881 to 1914, but only 10 since the first war from 1920 to 1939. There can't be many towers with a peal total approaching 200 that haven't had one for nearly 25 years.

I noticed that the peal at Newton Longville was only the second since 1919—there was one in 1955 and that at Rochester S. Margaret was the second since 1925 (one

in 1948). I believe the peal of Grandsire Caters at Soham was the first of that method there since 1830! There have been very few peals here for a 10-bell tower. It was good to see Barton Segrave appear once again. At one time it was second amongst the 5-bell towers but has dropped back recently. Perhaps we shall see it creep up again now.

A few final notes. I confirm that the peal of Norbury T.B. Minor at Chapel-en-le-Frith was the first rung in that method and that the peal at Berriew was the first on the 8 (there had been one of Grandsire Doubles in 1951). The peal at Churchill, Somerset, revealed that a peal had been rung there each year since 1952 (except 1953)—just one peal per annum—and all between September 12th and 16th with the exception of the 1957 one which was on October 1st. Although Acceington bells were augmented in 1954, the ringers still must remember its 6-bell days! On August 11th, the 100th 6-bell peal was rung there and actually, since augmentation there have been nearly as many 6-bell peals as 8-bell ones and these days they seem to predominate. The grand total of peals is now 164. Of course, there are only two or three 6-bell towers which have reached the century mark.

## RINGING IN CALGARY IN 1963

Considerable progress has been made in the art of campanology in this Canadian outpost of ringing during the last 12 months. This is due in part to the increase by 300% of the number of English trained ringers associated with the tower. The writer and his wife, by dint of some judicious 'wangling,' persuaded his employers to arrange a transfer for him from Ottawa, a distance of some 2,500 miles. They, with Judy Midgley, late of Plymouth, comprise the English trained contingent.

With this large number of comparatively experienced ringers, the locals under the leadership of Judge E. R. Tavender and Mrs. Freda McQueen, are making rapid progress in unravelling the mysteries of change ringing. All members of the band, which now numbers some nine or 10 regular attenders, can plain hunt on all numbers up to eight, and progress is being made in Plain Bob.

In addition to these ringers, we have four Boy Scouts who we hope before the end of 1964 will be up to the standard required for the Boy Scout's Badge. Will these boys be the first Canadian Scouts to qualify for this honour?

Unfortunately, not many English visitors have even been seen in this tower. They would be made most welcome. Practice is usually on Mondays at 8 p.m. Mountain Standard Time. If any ringers are ever in the vicinity they can contact me by phoning 244-1165 (or 262-2101 business hours).

How about a few participants in Great Adventure II coming round this way in 1965? We only need five to make us up for a peal of Cambridge Major. J. M. SIMPSON.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The 50 members who attended the Ashford District meeting at Biddenden on January 11th heard the recently-retired Rector (the Rev. J. B. Allen) praise the local ringers who last year rang for every service. He conducted the service, and a Folkestone ringer, Miss A. Barber, was organist.

Tea was enjoyed at the Chequers, and at the business meeting the hon. secretary reported a decline of about 80 in membership and £20 in revenue. Thirteen new members were elected. In his vote of thanks, Mr. Alan Berry, the Ringing Master, mentioned the services of Miss Carole Wood, secretary of the Biddenden ringers in making the arrangements. C. T. H.

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# Letters to the Editor

## Method Naming

Dear Sir,—Your issue of January 17th contains a number of controversial items on method naming which require comment.

### Methods Committee Rulings:—

I am glad that the Methods Committee has at last given a ruling on the recent undesirable and ungracious practice of renaming methods previously rung in spliced peals, but I question the wisdom or justice of retrospective action in this or any other matter where firm decisions have not previously existed.

The committee has had previous opportunities in recent years to pronounce on this subject, and it is unfortunate that it has reacted so slowly in this instance. Assuming that its recent decisions are ratified by the Central Council, may we be assured that retrospective action will also be taken in other similar cases so that, for example, Loughborough College will revert to Smith, and Elford Surprise to Lindoff's London? If not, it is surely illogical to change Ob, Moira and the atrocious example from the same stable rung at South Wigston on December 31st, which was called Guernsey in the peal of Spliced Surprise Major at Ashover on July 13th, 1963.

If the committee is intent on retroaction, may it also be confirmed that the names given to new methods in the peal of Spliced Plain Major at Heptonstall on October 29th, 1960 ('Ringing World,' November 18th, 1960), including the confusing Nelson College and other unsuitable names, are now permanently accepted.

### 'Datchworth' Surprise Major:—

I am surprised to find Mr. Knox and his band indulging in the game of multiple naming of methods, but if the notation given for the peal at Knebworth on December 7th, 1963, is correct, this method was first rung as Victoria Surprise Major at Loughborough Foundry on November 27th, 1958, conducted by Mr. D. P. Jones ('Ringing World,' December 12th, 1958, refers).

### 'Exhall' Delight Minor:—

If my interpretation of Mr. Stote's letter is correct, the notation for the method rung at Exhall-by-Coventry on January 1st, 1964, is: 34—34, 6—12—123—12—3 lead head 42635 (2nds). This method is named Alderbourne Delight Minor and was first rung at Fulmer, Bucks, on June 8th, 1960, conducted by Mr. J. R. Mayne, and details published in 'The Ringing World' of June 24th, 1960.

There is no excuse for such duplication of names, and no conductor uncertain of his facts should name a method without taking advice from a suitable source.—Yours sincerely,

GEORGE W. MASSEY.

Frome, Somerset.

Note.—Mr. Roger Savory also writes asking for clarification.

## Scotland's Problem

Dear Sir,—I have followed with interest the letters about the Christmas Day broadcast and am glad to see that others also feel the comments were not in very good taste. Probably the youthful critic has no idea of the ringing conditions in Scotland where, except for Edinburgh and Dundee, ringers have to make long, expensive journeys to visit other belfries.

Surely the real purpose of the Christmas Day broadcast was to allow the bells of the different areas to be heard—not as a ringing competition.

There are more important things in life than good striking—good manners, for instance.

C. SNOWDEN.

Kingham, Fife, Scotland.

## Victoria Surprise Major

Dear Sir,—I wish to state that the method published in 'The Ringing World' on January 17th as Datchworth Surprise Major is in fact Victoria, which was rung at Loughborough on November 27th, 1958.

I apologise to all concerned, and can offer no excuse for not checking the method before ringing it.

However, Mr. Dennis Knox has produced a shorter composition for this method. His composition is as follows:—

	W	5,280 5/4	M	H
23456				
54326	x	—		
63425	—	x		
34625	—	x	—	
42635	x	—	—	
36245	x	—	—	
64235	x	—	—	
23465	—	x	—	
43265	—	x	—	
62345	—	x	—	
23645	—	x	—	

Twice repeated.

Shortened to 5,088 by omitting 5/4 and M in the 5th and 6th courses of two parts.

Yours sincerely,

G. W. CRITCHLEY.

Knebworth, Herts.

## Standard in Record Peals

Dear Sir,—I am surprised that anyone could fail to appreciate that I was misquoted in 'Belfry Gossip' on January 3rd, and I had hoped it would not be necessary for me to enter this discussion.

What I actually said was that 'the standard of ringing did not come up to the very high standard required in any record peal.'

Perhaps a few more words of explanation are needed: The band decided that we would not pass 15,840 changes unless the standard of ringing was manifestly better than that achieved by Daniel Matkin and his band in 1953. After 12,500 changes I consulted the band about the quality of the ringing and they agreed that we should not go past the record. But the ringing was perfectly acceptable by normal standards, and we had no hesitation in deciding that the 13,320 changes we rang were a true and viable peal.

In reply to 'S.I.' (December 20th) I would say that there certainly is 'an implicit assumption that the standard of ringing for a long peal should be higher than that acceptable for a normal length.' I seem to recall that he stopped an attempt on the extent of Major some years ago after 29,000 changes 'because somebody missed a dodge.' I venture to suggest that if he did not himself make the same implicit assumption in peals of normal length, his peal total would not yet have reached double figures.—Yours sincerely,

NEIL BENNETT.

Ashton-under-Lyne.

## Peal Correction

Dear Sir,—I find that in a report of a handbell peal rung on January 7th, 1964, at Stratton St. Margaret I have named one of the methods incorrectly. The method named as Lydiard should be Tankersley. I would be grateful if you would correct this and delete the notation following the peal.—Yours faithfully,

ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

Swindon.

## Appeal to Wessex Scholars

Dear Sir,—I read Mr. Knight's defence of the Society of Wessex Scholars, in your issue of January 16th, with mixed feelings. It is no doubt true that the Wessex Society will do the Exercise some good, for any attempt to teach beginners is praiseworthy. However, Mr. Knight missed one point of Mr. House's letter (in the December 27th issue) that the meeting of the Wessex Scholars at Overton was arranged on the same day as a meeting of the Winchester District of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild.

Mr. Knight should also get his facts right about ringing in the Southampton District. If he could come to a meeting of this District he would hear of the work being done by Mr. House and many other members of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild in the field of instruction.

Mr. Knight failed to mention the real reason for the founding of the Wessex Society. He states that he has been a member of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild for 18 years and must therefore realise that his members could teach beginners and remain loyal to the Guild instead of insulting it, and drawing support from its meetings in order to persuade people to pay ten shillings and join a society which appears to have injury to the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild as one of its aims. This is backed up, too, by the fact that the Society was formed although Mr. Knight knew that the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild needed some support.

Come along now, Mr. Knight, get your jacket off and tackle a job of work well worth doing the right way. I'm quite sure the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild will welcome you back and you'll find there are openings for good teachers within the Guild—it would certainly benefit from your efforts.—Yours faithfully,

MALCOLM M. POWELL.

Southampton.

## Wessex Scholars' Secretary Resigns

Dear Sir,—I would like to publish my resignation as secretary of the Wessex Scholars, and to state the reasons that have led me to this course of action.

When the Society was founded, it was hoped that by inviting the persons capable of teaching from a wide area we could get the silent towers of the south ringing again. It was also envisaged that we would work in harmony with the existing territorial associations.

It has become fairly obvious that this has not worked out. The main reason for this is the fact that our meetings sometimes clash with other Guilds. This can easily be remedied by holding our meetings mid-week. My work is such that I am only in the south at week-ends, hence by passing the post to a 'full-resident' this will be made possible.

I am very proud of being a member of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild and wish to hold no part in anything that may harm this body.

The Wessex Scholars is a good thing, but is possibly a little premature. I think it would be at present better served as an affiliated part of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild, but still having its officers elected by the members of the Society and being open to all eligible ringers from anywhere.

I hope my resignation will not unset too many people but my first allegiance is to my Mother Guild.—Yours, etc.,

ANTHONY R. CARTER

Winchester.

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## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD

The annual meeting of the St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham was held in St. Martin's Church Hall, on January 4th, with the Master, Mr. Richard C. Ingram, in the chair. The Master extended a hearty welcome to Mr. Vice-President J. Frank Smallwood, Mr. John S. Mason and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Critchley, whose presence was greatly appreciated.

Six young ringers of St. John's Church, Perry Barr, were elected members of the Guild: the Misses J. Nicholl and S. Chew, and Messrs C and M. Androlia, R. Tibbetts and N. Hale. The tower elections, as life members of Miss Mary R. Crossthwaite, of Preston, and David J. Allen, of Exhall, were ratified.

A proposition to add the name of the Provost of Birmingham, the Rt. Rev. Bishop George Sinker, to the list of vice-presidents met with unanimous approval. Bishop Sinker has proved to be a good friend of ringers and has accepted the invitation to preside at the forthcoming Henry Johnson Dinner.

To the Guild's regret, Mr. John Pinfold relinquished the office of Ringing Master, after serving for 12 years in that capacity. Young ringers who come to St. Martin's practice night will have cause to be grateful to Mr. Pinfold for his advice and help so freely given, and it is pleasing to know that it is not his intention to discontinue his Tuesday evening attendances.

Fortunately for the Guild, Mr. J. Alan Ainsworth, of Newcastle on Tyne, has recently taken up residence in Birmingham, and in a short time his outstanding ability as a ringer and conductor has proved him to be admirably suited to qualify as Ringing Master. Mr. Pinfold had the pleasure of proposing Mr. Ainsworth as his successor, a proposal which met with unanimous approval.

The other officers of the Guild were all re-elected, which appears to indicate that the members were satisfied with their services.

The annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner will be held at the White Horse Hotel on March 7th.

Next quarterly meeting: Solihull, April 4th.

## TREASURED HANDBELLS

Apropos the mention of record handbell peals in the issue of January 10th, Mr. R. Beale, of Taunton, writes that the bells used in two of these peals are housed in a beautifully carved case (made by the late Mr. H. Bungay, ringer) in St. James', Taunton, ringing chamber.

The bells were purchased from the relatives of the late Mr. Jim Hunt, one-time captain of St. James', by the Taunton Deanery and installed as a perpetual memorial to a very great ringer.

The tenor bell is inscribed, 'World's Handbell Record, 31st Aug., 1912. 19,738 changes Stedman Caters. 9 hrs. 32 minutes. A. F. Shepperd, A. H. Pulling (cond.), W. Shepperd, J. Hunt, F. Blondell.'

The peal was rung at Guildford for the Winchester Diocesan Guild. It was proposed to start at 12 noon, but because one of the band could not get away it was delayed to 2 p.m. At 11.30 p.m. a bob at 16 was omitted and the bells ran round at 19,738 changes. That was the only place in the peal it could be done.

## OBITUARY

### MR. JAMES BUTLER AN APPRECIATION

I wonder how many of the older ringers remember Jim Butler. When I first knew him he was a 'Hagbourne Chap.' The ringers at Hagbourne have always been known as the 'Hagbourne Chaps.'

Jim might have been at Cambridge when the 1914 War broke out; however, he soon enlisted and eventually received a nasty arm wound, and his arm never really recovered its normal strength, although Jim never complained. We who knew him realised that he would never enjoy his ringing as he had previously done.

When ringing was getting into its stride after 1918 he and another 'Hagbourne Chap' came to Caversham many Monday evenings to attempt their first peal of Stedman Triples, but were unsuccessful. After 24 attempts Jim Napper eventually rang his first peal of Stedman in his native tower (called by my 'dear old dad') but where Jim Butler rang his I do not know.

I did, however, ring a peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major with Jim at Hagbourne in 1923, called by his friend of Cambridge days, the late W. H. J. Hooton. I shall ever remember Jim's very quiet 'Thank you, gentlemen.' to the band which included some very well known (at that time) ringers.

He was always the same quiet, unassuming but very lovable 'Hagbourne Chap.'

W. HIBBERT.

### MRS. EMILY KNIGHT AN APPRECIATION

The whole of the Bath and Wells Association will regret the passing of Mrs. Emily Knight, and the fact that she was so utterly modest that she received no high honour in the Association, although no one was so deserving of it.

None can forget her tremendous work in the difficult post-war years when she procured food and had it transported to the annual general meetings of the Association, thus making a surprisingly inexpensive meal possible. No service that she could do for ringing and ringers was too much for her to undertake.

Her personal kindness to me was always evident. I remember in particular a period during the last war when a friend and I, both at the ends of our tether through overwork and having only one common interest—that of walking and love of the countryside—spent some time in the cottage in the woods overlooking the Bristol Channel. She and Herbert, her husband, were so extremely kind to us and we went home better in health, not so much because of our brief holiday, but because of the joy of simply living with them.

During my long and tiresome illness, she and Herbert visited me at every opportunity and I shall remember them so long as I live.

J. T. D.

## RECRUITING LEAFLET

The Central Council has issued a pamphlet suitable for exhibition in church porches and other places setting out the thrill of ringing.

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## WARMINSTER'S LOSS

The Warminster ringers will suffer no small loss in the departure of Mrs. Tambling, wife of the Rev. P. F. Tambling, Vicar of Boreham and Rector of Bishopstrow. Mr. Tambling has accepted the living of Zeals with Stourton, and will be inducted early in February. The lady was better known to the Exercise as Miss Anna Sellors, and when up at Oxford was associated with the notable circle that included John E. Spice, William B. Leese and Margaret Tutt. With them she enjoyed some considerable peal ringing activity both on tower- and handbells.

Family life has curtailed her ringing activity, but recently she has been of considerable assistance at practices and Sunday ringing at the Minster Church, and has provided a valuable addition to the three-weekly Surprise practices in the district. Zeals is not too far away, and we are all hoping that she will still be able to attend some of these gatherings for advanced ringing.

As a farewell touch a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples was rung on the Minster bells on January 19th by N. Webber 1, P. Roydon 2, Mrs. Tambling 3, L. Hawkins 4, E. C. Shepherd (cond.) 5, E. Norris 6, N. G. Knee 7, T. Mallard 8. E. C. S.

## BARNSELY & DISTRICT SOCIETY

At the service held in connection with the annual meeting of the Barnsley and District Society, conducted by the president (Canon A. P. Morley), the hymn 'The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended' was sung in memory of Dan Smith, it being his favourite. Mr. Noel F. Moxon was at the organ.

Twenty towers were represented and all the officers were re-elected at the business meeting. Three new members—H. Burton (Slapham), J. Hiner and J. Cook (Rawmarsh)—were elected. The Society decided to have an outing in May; the vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Andrew King (Wentworth).

Next meeting: February 8th, Ecclesfield, near Sheffield.

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# QUARTER PEALS

**BARROW-ON-SOAR, LEICS.**—On Dec. 29th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: J. R. Perkins 1, R. I. Kendrick 2, M. G. Godwin 3, M. D. Barsby 4, R. Wilmore 5, B. S. Payne (cond.) 6. First quarter of Treble Bob by all. Rung for the carol service.

**BINGHAM, NOTTS.**—On Jan. 4th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Joan N. Challinor 1, R. Marsh 2, S. Jane Dowse 3, G. A. Dawson 4, C. R. Larkin (cond.) 5, A. Morris 6. To welcome Deborah Cyster, born on Jan. 3rd.

**DEVIZES, WILTS.**—At St. James's Church on Jan. 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. R. Edgewise 1, R. Bridges 2, A. T. Weeks 3, J. S. Weeks (cond.) 4, B. Lyons 5, R. Drown 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. F. F. Stephens, interred this day, aged 80.

**DEVIZES, WILTS.**—At St. Mary's Church on Jan. 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Whale 1, Pamela Osborne 2, D. Bailey (cond.) 3, B. Osborne 4, W. Alexander 5, P. Barrett 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mr. F. Stephens, a former ringer of the town.

**EALING, MIDDXX.**—At St. Mary's on Jan. 19th, 1,256 Spliced Little and Plain Bob Major: Susan Smith 1, M. Sprackling 2, A. M. Stacey 3, S. Croft 4, P. Felton 5, F. Bishop 6, A. H. Fulwell 7, W. G. Wilson (cond.) 8. For morning service.

**EASTHAMPTON, BERKS.**—On Jan. 18th, 1,272 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Margaret Green 1, Joan A. Rance 2, Dorothy Humphris 3, C. W. Bailey 4, A. J. N. Rance 5, S. G. Scott (cond.) 6. Following the wedding of Miss Williams and Mr. Towills.

**EASTON NESTON, NORTHTANTS.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: C. W. Rigby 1, Audrey Brangwyn 2, A. W. Mansfield 3, H. A. Cashmore 4, F. P. Brangwyn 5, J. Snelling 6, W. A. Denny 7, F. W. Eyden (cond.) 8. For Evensong. A compliment to Barrie A. Denny (son of ringer of 7th) and Josephine Wood on their engagement, and as a 21st birthday compliment to Josephine.

**ELSTOW, BEDS.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,440 Minor (Woodbine and Oxford T.B.): G. Seth 1, Miss M. Pettitt 2, Miss S. Law 3, S. R. Huckle 4, R. H. French 5, R. F. Law (cond.) 6. First in methods for 3, 4 and 5. A birthday compliment to the Vicar, Rev. P. Hartley. Also on Jan. 12th, 1,296 Minor (Woodbine and Cambridge): G. Seth 1, Miss M. Pettitt 2, Miss S. Law 3, S. R. Huckle 4, R. F. Law 5, R. H. French (cond.) 6. A 21st birthday compliment to R. F. Law.

**FORDHAM, CAMBS.**—On Jan. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. R. J. Palmer (cond.) 1—2, R. J. Palmer 3—4, A. M. Barber (first quarter 'in hand') 5—6.

**GRAYSHOTT, HANTS.**—On Jan. 11th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Lesley Read (first Treble Bob) 1, A. S. Bishop (cond.) 2, Diana Gough 3, Pamela Gough 4, B. R. Walton 5, D. M. Hughes 6.

**HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX.**—On Dec. 8th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: F. Whitby 1, R. Parish 2, R. Hayden 3, J. Collins 4, W.aley (cond.) 5, E. Curson 6, J. Aley 7, L. Whitby 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Herbert Elwell, last son of the Rev. Mr. Elwell, founder of this church, who was interred on December 6th.

**HEREFORD.**—At the Cathedral on January 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. F. I. Turney 1, D. M. Morton 2, M. C. W. Sherwood 3, A. T. Wingate 4, M. P. Moreton 5, T. Wood 6, G. T. Cousins (cond.) 7, K. S. W. Morton 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Canon E. F. H. Dunncliffe, precentor.

**HESTON, MIDDXX.**—On Jan. 19th, 1,290 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Jill Butcher 1, Carole Andrews 2, Felicity Pocock 3, M. Hawkins 4, A. Butcher (cond.) 5, S. Porter 6. Rung to celebrate the birth of Mary Hazel Sansom.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): J. Dowse 1, R. Blackshaw 2, J. Heaps 3, M. W. Harrison 4, R. Larkin 5. Conducted by R. Larkin and R. Blackshaw. For Evensong. Also on Jan. 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: W. G. Marsh 1, R. Marsh 2, J. Dowse 3, R. Blackshaw 4, J. Heaps 5, M. W. Harrison 6. Conducted by J. Heaps and M. W. Harrison. First quarter Minor 1. Rung half-muffled as a token of respect to Mrs. Margaret Wakefield, aged 80 years, interred this day.

**HONITON, DEVON.**—On Jan. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (4, 6, 8 covering): Keith Broom 1, C. Manley 2, W. Sparkes 3, J. Real 4, R. Watus 5, W. Baker 6, W. Webb (cond.) 7, F. Lane 8. To celebrate the engagement of Mr. Christopher Webb and Miss Genebeth Mooring of Hershham, both ringers of the band.

**KINGSCLORE, HANTS.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,440 Plain Bob Major: B. Murduck (first on 8) 1, E. Cox (first 'inside' on 8) 2, D. Murduck 3, J. Pares 4, C. Butler 5, G. Weston 6, G. K. Dodd (cond.) 7, P. Murduck 8. First of Major 1, 2 and 5.

**KIRDFOOD, SUSSEX.**—On Jan. 18th, 1,296 Beverley Surprise Minor: K. Sansom 1, Diana Gough 2, Pamela Gough 3, Elizabeth Stevenson 4, A. S. Bishop 5, D. M. Hughes (first of Surprise as cond.) 6.

**LEICESTER.**—At the Prebendal Church of St. Margaret, on Jan. 5th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob): G. Peene (first away from tenor) 1, Jean Endall 2, T. Still (cond., Grandsire) 3, G. A. Olliffe (cond., Plain Bob) 4, J. E. Adams 5, G. H. Bray 6. For Evensong.

**LIVERPOOL, LANCs.**—At Our Lady and St. Nicholas' Church, on Dec. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. Reid 1, Miss G. I. Howlett 2, T. Lee 3, J. N. Brown (cond.) 4, J. J. Fox 5, R. S. Starkie 6, C. K. Cooper 7, L. L. Gray 8. A birthday compliment to ringer of third.

**LINCOLN.**—At St. Peter at Gowis Church on Jan. 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Simpson 1, W. Dove (first quarter) 2, V. Briggs 3, F. Dixon 4, A. Drury 5, P. Pitchford (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**LLANGARRON, HEREFORDS.**—On Jan. 10th, 1,260 Minor (Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob): R. Postan 1, J. F. I. Turney 2, P. D. Sell 3, A. T. Wingate 4, T. Wood 5, G. T. Cousins (cond.) 6.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes' on Jan. 12th, 1,299 Stedman Caters: J. Tomsett 1, C. A. Hughes 2, Mrs. W. F. Oatway 3, M. Hatchett 4, A. M. Stacey 5, Miss M. E. Lewis 6, J. Marks 7, R. Cadamy 8, W. F. Oatway (cond.) 9, H. A. Bradbury (first of Stedman) 10. A compliment to Reuben Sanders on his 90th birthday. Also on Jan. 12th, 1,440 Yorkshire Surprise Royal: J. E. Cannell 1, Miss M. A. Ladd 2, Mrs. A. Jenner (first of Surprise Royal) 3, T. E. Sone 4, Miss D. E. Colgate 5, E. J. Ladd 6, A. M. Macve 7, S. Jenner 8, D. P. Smith 9, J. W. Smith (cond.) 10. First of Yorkshire Surprise Royal 2, 8, 9 and 10. For Evensong. Also on Jan. 19th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: Miss J. Peacock 1, J. Fowler 2, J. Carrott 3, F. G. Richardson 4, M. Bland 5, R. Newman (first of Caters) 6, A. C. Grainger 7, J. Stephens 8, F. V. Gant (cond.) 9, R. Mallett 10. For Matins. Also 1,299 Stedman Caters: D. E. Ellisdon 1, P. D. Chapman 2, Mrs. E. M. Bagworth 3, D. G. Hewitt 4, R. G. Chapman 5, B. Bull 6, N. S. Bagworth (cond.) 7, A. De S. J. Boyack 8, R. C. Stevens 9, G. R. Hawkes 10. For Evensong.

**LUTON, BEDS.**—On Jan. 4th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: B. L. S. Hulatt 1, A. Day 2, A. E. Rushton (cond.) 3, M. Amy Coburn 4, A. J. Smith 5, F. Jacklin 6, J. G. Newman 7, H. Wood 8, G. Hawkins 9, A. Wilby (first on 10) 10. A wedding compliment to Mr. David Jeffrey and Miss Josephine M. Hawkins.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On Jan. 19th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Adrian Neilson 1, Rachel Sinden 2, Elizabeth Todd 3, H. P. Yates 4, R. P. Brotherton (cond.) 5, M. Malcomson 6. For Evensong.

**MARHAMCHURCH, CORNWALL.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Sylvia Hamby 1, R. J. Hicks 2, Mrs. E. Ford 3, E. Ford 4, C. E. Taylor (cond.) 5, R. A. Marsh 6. For the christening of Karen Elizabeth, daughter of the ringers of 3 and 4.

**MORTON, DERBS.**—On Dec. 27th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob and St. Simon's): B. A. Richards (cond.) 1, P. Eastland 2, A. Smithson 3, W. Swain 4, J. Swain 5. A farewell compliment to the Rev. E. N. Kemp on taking appointment to the Edinburgh Diocese. Also on Jan. 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. A. Richards (cond.) 1, F. W. Knowles 2, A. Smithson 3, L. Parker (first of Minor) 4, W. Swain 5, E. Denby (first quarter) 6.

**MOSSLEY, LANCs.**—On Dec. 31st, 1,260 Minor (Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob): B. D. Holt 1, W. H. Nield 2, J. B. Thorp 3, M. Rigby 4, G. Nield 5, J. Brannan (cond.) 6. For Watchnight service.

**NORTHENDEN, MANCHESTER.**—On Jan. 11th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Margaret Cuthbert (first quarter) 1, Marjorie Martin (first 'inside') 2, S. Coutts 3, J. Cuthbert 4, D. Gillespie (cond.) 5, Jean Cross 6. A farewell compliment to Roger Twigg.

**OFFTON, SUFFOLK.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,272 Kent T.B. Minor: W. Minns 1, Christine Steward 2, G. R. Goodship 3, E. Lockwood 4, Mrs. W. Lockwood 5, Sandra L. Goodship (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam S. H. Fuller, of Nettleshead, and F. Jarrold, of Offton.

**PUTNEY, LONDON.**—On Jan. 19th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: D. Tipler (first of Major) 1, Alison M. Mann 2, R. Cooles (first of Major 'inside') 3, Margaret E. Fort 4, L. W. Allen 5, B. H. Coatesworth 6, A. R. Millidge 7, D. C. Brookes (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**REIGATE, SURREY.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: Nancy Kempell 1, K. G. Game 2, G. Olliver 3, D. P. Smith 4, C. H. B. Cook 5, W. E. Dunn 6, W. Inwood 7, A. T. Shelton 8, J. W. Smith (cond.) 9, Joan Hanning 10. For Evensong.

**SILSOE, BEDS.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: T. R. Lett (16 years) 1, T. P. Harris 2, A. G. Harris (12 years) 3, T. R. Harris (14 years, cond.) 4, P. J. Lawton 5, W. J. Lett (14 years) 6. For Midnight Communion. Also on December 28th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Anne Tucker (first quarter) 1, D. R. Brazier (cond.) 2, P. J. Lawton 3, T. R. Harris 4, T. P. Harris 5, T. R. Lett 6. A wedding compliment to the Rev. J. A. Benton and Miss M. Simkin, married at Port Elizabeth, South Africa, the previous day.

**SOPELY, HANTS.**—On Jan. 18th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): R. G. W. Robertson 1, Judith A. Robertson (first in two methods) 2, Christine Mould (first as cond.) 3, R. W. Young 4, J. W. Blackwood 5, E. G. Mould 6. Rung on the Feast of St. Prisca.

**SOUTHGATE, LONDON.**—At Christ Church on Jan. 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Helen Davey 1, Margaret Moore (first quarter 'inside') 2, S. G. Peck 3, W. Wainwright 4, Monica Moore (cond.) 5, Ian Pager 6. For Evensong and a birthday compliment to Margaret Moore.

**SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: June E. Wood 1, K. H. Mildred 2, A. R. Mildred 3, B. G. Warwick 4, D. W. Stenson 5, Carol I. V. Corton 6, M. G. Wood (cond.) 7, N. R. May 8. For Festal Evensong on the Eve of the Epiphany.

**TONBRIDGE, KENT.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Janet Luckhurst (first quarter) 1, Ann Jenner 2, Angela W. Burgess 3, W. Rogers (cond.) 4, R. A. Large 5, S. Jenner 6, W. H. Dobbie 7, L. T. Pope 8. For Evening Prayer.

**USK, MONS.**—On Jan. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. S. Clench 1, L. Jones (cond.) 2, Julie Clench 3, Carol York 4, F. Hobbs 5, G. Knight 6, S. Kear 7, D. Hughes 8. First quarter 3 and 4. For Morning Service.

**WENTWORTH, YORKS.**—On Dec. 15th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: H. Elizabeth Cherry 1, A. King 2, M. A. Beaumont 3, D. E. Archer 4, M. King 5, M. R. Meadows (first of Minor as cond.) 6. For Evensong. First of Minor for 1, 3 and 4. Also on Christmas Day, 1,320 Doubles (11 methods): D. E. Archer 1, A. King 2, M. A. Beaumont 3, M. King 4, M. R. Meadows (cond.) 5, A. Beaumont 6. Also on Dec. 26th, 1,320 Doubles (11 methods): D. E. Archer 1, A. King 2, M. A. Beaumont 3, M. King 4, M. R. Meadows (cond.) 5, A. Beaumont 6. Rung for the wedding of Miss Brenda Cherry and Mr. Brian Hughes.

**WEST HOATHLY, SUSSEX.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: B. Leppard (first quarter) 1, D. A. E. Roberts 2, D. Slater 3, J. Leppard 4, B. W. Parke 5, D. Comber 6.

**WEST TARRING, SUSSEX.**—On Jan. 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. A. Smith 1, Rev. N. J. Smith 2, A. M. Horn (first of Doubles 'inside') 3, R. G. Harmer (first 'inside') 4, S. Howard (cond.) 5, A. R. George (first quarter) 6. Also on Jan. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Jennifer M. Leach (first quarter) 1, Veronica G. Rees 2, M. J. Harmer (first quarter) 3, D. A. Smith 4, S. Howard (cond.) 5, A. M. Horn 6. Ten different callings in each quarter. Rung to commemorate St. Howard's first peal of Grandsire Doubles on 5 on January 10th, 1913 (51 years ago), also as a birthday compliment from S. Howard to his old friend Reuben Sanders, who was 90 this day.

**WEST WICKHAM, KENT.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Fry 1, L. W. G. Skinner 2, R. G. Crosland (cond.) 3, W. A. Hollamby 4, A. S. Richards 5, J. D. Faircloth 6.

**WIMBLEDON, S.W.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss E. Zass 1, Miss V. Rodrigues 2, Miss D. Cocke 3, Miss R. Rawlings 4, Miss J. Geiringer 5, M. Bingham (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also on Jan. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Elizabeth Zass (first on 8) 1, Vanessa Rodrigues (first in the method) 2, D. Cocke (first in the method) 3, Rosamund Rawlings 4, Judith Geiringer 5, G. Reynolds 6, A. Bagworth 7, R. Goodman 8. For Evensong.

**WINCHESTER.**—At the Cathedral, on Dec. 29th, 1,311 Stedman Cinques: A. M. Cox 1, P. N. Tubbs 2, M. J. Besi 3, J. E. Daniels 4, M. J. Thomas 5, F. L. Harris (cond.) 6, D. B. Brown 7, J. Hartless 8, L. F. Cobb 9, D. House 10, R. M. Marlow 11, F. C. W. Knight 12.

**WOLVERTON, HANTS.**—On Jan. 17th, 1,320 Grandsire Doubles: Louise Greenhill (first quarter, 12) 1, C. Prictor (first 'inside', 15) 2, D. Cane 3, S. Taylor 4, P. Murduck (cond.) 5, B. Murduck (14) 6.



### LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD Loughborough District

A large plaque of bell metal on the vestry floor of Loughborough Parish Church is inscribed 'Their sound has gone out to all lands.' This was the basis of the address given by the Rector at the service which preceded the annual meeting of the Loughborough Branch. Materialistic things, he argued, could be used to emphasise the religious point of view, and as the voices of the choir or the preacher rarely penetrated beyond the walls of the Church, ringers, while unseen, were strong and loud witnesses to those outside. They should keep this fact before them and always be ready to improve the application of their art.

All enjoyed the splendid tea provided by local ladies in the Fearon Hall, but none more than the table of youngsters shepherded by the Rev. M. C. Melville.

The business meeting was prefaced by a speech from the retiring chairman, who said that as this was the first meeting of another year they must 'look forward' and not only hope but strive to make it one of great advancement. Commending Mr. J. P. Fidler's letter to 'The Ringing World' on lapsed members, the chairman favoured the suggestion of a liaison officer. If Mr. Fidler had been present he would have asked him to undertake the responsibility for his own Branch!

Officers elected for 1964 were: chairman, Mr. H. O. Over; secretary, Mr. Melvyn Stevens, 91, Parklands Drive, Loughborough, with Miss V. Lacey, retiring secretary, acting as his assistant; committee, Mr. W. Hall and Miss Lacey. Nominations for Guild officers favoured an en bloc proposal of those serving.

Under A.O.B. a ringers' festival to be organised by Hathern ringers on May 16th was discussed. Its object is to support the fund to augment Hathern bells from six to eight and so far the ringers have raised about £200, or a third. By full support they felt the half-way mark would be passed. Contributions from N.U.T.S., Ramblers, Rovers or any others interested would be welcome.

### SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD Devizes Branch

The Devizes Branch at its annual meeting at Melksham, on January 4th, Mr. N. Knee presiding, reported a most encouraging year, the secretary (Mr. A. Knight) stating the membership had risen to 260 with one return to come. Ten meetings had been held with an increase in number of younger members present.

Twenty peals had been rung—an increase of five and there had been two new conductors—Mr. D. Stillman (age 15) and Mr. D. Bailey. Quarter peals numbered 40 and most of these were rung for services.

With regret, the branch accepted the resignations of the Ringing Masters—Mr. S. Grant and Mr. P. Harding after 20 years' loyal service. The new Ringing Masters are Messrs. D. Nibbs (Holt), G. Heath (Urchfont) and E. Norris (Warminster). Other officers were re-elected. Six new members were elected from Urchfont, Holt and Devizes.

The curate (the Rev. Mr. Gray) conducted the service and after the usual vote of thanks ringing continued at St. Michael's, Holt and Seend.

A. K.

### Bellfounding Transaction in 1312

Dear Sir,—Mr. Cyril W. Hancock makes an interesting contribution regarding ancient London founders and I would say that although Richard de Wymbish was recorded as a 'potter' from 1303 to 1315, he was in business from 1290 to 1315.

Aldgate was the centre of the industry in the Metropolis, where names appeared 1280—1300. The Wymbish family, who came from Essex, cast many bells over a large area but Richard, probably the eldest, appeared to have the largest business, and their quarters were at Aldgate. Probably Richard's oldest bell still in existence can be found at Goring, Oxon, cast about 1290.—Yours sincerely,

WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

Addlestone, Surrey.

### DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

The bells of the twin parishes of Sawley and Long Eaton were available for the quarterly meeting of the Derby Diocesan Association on January 4th. The service at Sawley was conducted by the Rector, Rev. J. B. Hurst, and an excellent meal followed in the Church Hall, prepared by wives and friends of ringers.

A minute's silence in memory of Mr. J. F. George preceded the business meeting. In a report on the financial position the treasurer (Mr. J. Woolley) said the situation was comfortable at the moment, but he deplored the many subscriptions owing. Mr. G. Halls, secretary of the Bell Repair Fund, reported a record balance of over £200. Seventy-three P.C.C.'s had subscribed to the fund.

The election of Messrs. W. Simpson, E. Fletcher and F. Adams as hon. life members was carried with acclamation. Tickets for the annual dinner at Derby on February 8th were available and the Association's striking competition will be held at Horsley on May 30th. The evening ringing was at Long Eaton, where the bells had been restored by the joint efforts of the officials of the Bell Repair Fund and the Sawley company.

M. P. P.

### Exhall Delight Minor

Dear Sir,—With regard to the peal of Exhall Delight Minor rung on January 1st at Exhall-by-Coventry, I would like to point out that this method has already been rung to a peal. From the details which Mr. Stote gave in 'The Ringing World,' page 38, the place notation is: 34 x 34.16 x 12 x 1236 x 12 x 3. 2nds L.E.: 42635.

My records, however, inform me that in fact this method is named Aldbourne Delight Minor, and was rung to a peal at Fulmer on June 8th, 1960.—Yours faithfully,

M. F. LOCK.

Exeter, Devon.

N.B.—The Editor thanks other correspondents who have pointed out the duplication.

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Trinity College, Dublin, looks like being another University with enthusiastic ringers. Leading personalities are Charles Reede, 25, O'Connell Avenue, Berkeley Road, Dublin, and Miss Marilyn Bernard-Smith, at 6, T.C.D., Dublin University. Marilyn, according to 'Irish Bell News,' has unearthed Ann Sadler from Preston, Rutland, Anthony Vere-Hodge (Kent) and Jane Fletcher (West Kirby). Practices are held at St. Patrick's Cathedral, St. George's and Drogheda.

Grantley Hall, Yorkshire, Ringing Course will be held on September 25th-27th. Details later.

We have received a correction to the quarter peal at Rothersthorpe (see page 40). It was in two methods—Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

Mr. Roger Twigg, Northenden, Manchester, has been appointed a verger at Lichfield Cathedral. A farewell quarter was rung at Northenden, where his departure is keenly felt.

Inadvertently, in the article 'A Bellfounding Transaction in 1312' (page 33), Alan de Middleton was described as canon and saint. It should be canon and sacrist.

The golden jubilee of the Chelmsford Diocese was commemorated by special ringing in towers of the Essex Association on January 21st. Quarters were rung at Chelmsford Cathedral, Bentley Common, Great Holland and other towers.

On Christmas Eve the Wollaton (Notts) company of handbell ringers visited various local establishments, ringing carols and other popular tunes on their newly renovated handbells. This resulted in a collection of nearly £15, which was sent to Oxfam.

At the annual meeting of St. Mary-le-Tower Society, Ipswich, the following were elected: Alan R. Bridges, Master; Leslie N. Melton, Deputy Master; Charles J. Sedgley, treasurer; R. John Munnings, auditor; John F. Tillatt, steeplekeeper; George E. Symonds, 57, Mornington Avenue, Ipswich, secretary for the 43rd year.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

Re Mr. John David's query in Belfry Gossip, January 17th, there are three bells hung for ringing at St. Stephen's, Ipswich. These were rung for a wedding during last century. The best man, being completely ignorant of ringing, sent a gallon of stout for the three ringers.

A peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major was rung on Boxing Day at Warminster by the Ancient Society of College Youths. Details next week.

At Cheswardine on January 18th, George Morrall not only conducted his own first peal on eight, but it was also his father, Mr. Ernest Morrall's, first on eight.

At Cranfield, Beds, the first recorded quarter by local ringers took place on January 12th. The band, all of whom are under 20 except the conductor, tackled Bob Doubles for the first time last April.

Lincoln ringers desire to congratulate Mr. W. Dove on his first quarter peal. He became interested just two years ago, travels into Lincoln (about four miles each way) for his ringing and is regular for Sunday services.

The peal at Stoke D'Abernon on January 6th is believed to be the youngest ladies' peal (average age 16 years 10 months). The name of Mrs. Susan Newman should be associated with this peal, as she taught each member of the band to handle a bell.

'O Lord, if we thy praises due from our minds let slide, then let our dexterous hands forget the echoing bells to guide.' A ringers' prayer in 'Overtones,' the magazine of the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers. This year is the Guild's 10th birthday, Founder's Day being May 24th.

A motion to amend rules to permit ringing members of Stanmore and South Mymms to enjoy privileges of resident members will be submitted to the A.G.M. of the Herts County Association. These Middlesex towers will be ington Avenue, Ipswich, secretary for the 43rd daries becomes operative.

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## LITTLE CHART, KENT.

On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY OF THE HOLY ROOD,

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven different extents, with 5-6 the right way throughout.

Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. in B.

*GEORGE H. SPICE .. .. Treble	*REV. P. T. ROBBINS .. .. 4
†PAUL BATCHELOR .. .. 2	CRAWFORD T. HILLIS .. .. 5
MRS. P. T. ROBBINS .. .. 3	*JOHN C. BALDWIN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CRAWFORD T. HILLIS.

\* First peal of Minor in the method. † First in the method 'inside.'  
 Rev. P. T. Robbins has now rung Cambridge from Minor to Maximus.  
 First of Surprise on the bells.

## FOLKESTONE, KENT.

On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND EANSWYTHE,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part (6th observation).

Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in E flat.

*JANE M. HOUGH .. .. Treble	ROBERT SWIFT .. .. 5
ELEANOR M. HOUGH .. .. 2	J. RICHARD HOUGH .. .. 6
CRAWFORD T. HILLIS .. .. 3	ALAN BERRY .. .. 7
DAVID STAPLES .. .. 4	JOHN C. BALDWIN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. RICHARD HOUGH.

\* First peal (aged 14). 100th tower, all in Kent, at which Mr. C. T. Hillis has rung a peal.

## CHERITON, KENT.

On Fri., Dec. 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

## A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in A.

JOHN C. BALDWIN .. .. Treble	*PETER RICHARDSON .. .. 5
MRS. J. C. BALDWIN .. .. 2	PETER M. WILKINSON .. .. 6
PAULINE FENNEL .. .. 3	CRAWFORD T. HILLIS .. .. 7
ALEXANDER WADDINGTON .. .. 4	NICHOLAS J. DAVIES .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by CRAWFORD T. HILLIS.

\* First peal of Major.

## SALTWOOD, KENT.

On Fri., Dec. 27, 1963, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (four callings). Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F sharp.

ELIZABETH TODD .. .. Treble	GRAHAM NEILSON .. .. 4
MYRTLE COOK .. .. 2	NICHOLAS J. DAVIES .. .. 5
ROBERT P. BROTHERSTON .. .. 3	DAVID H. GOWER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by NICHOLAS J. DAVIES.

First peal of Doubles in the method by all the band.

## GREAT CHART, KENT.

On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob; each called differently. Tenor 13 cwt. 16 lb. in F.

PETER RICHARDSON .. .. Treble	DAVID STAPLES .. .. 4
IAN H. ORAM .. .. 2	CRAWFORD T. HILLIS .. .. 5
JOHN C. BALDWIN .. .. 3	RALPH BIRD .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CRAWFORD T. HILLIS.

First peal in seven methods on the bells. The conductor's 200th peal, all rung in Kent for the Kent County Association.

## STONE-IN-OXNEY, KENT.

On Mon., Dec. 30, 1963, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents of Kent Treble Bob and five of Plain Bob; each called differently. Tenor 13 cwt. (approx.).

VIOLET I. E. RELF .. .. Treble	JOHN C. BALDWIN .. .. 4
ALEXANDER WADDINGTON .. .. 2	CRAWFORD T. HILLIS .. .. 5
PETER M. WILKINSON .. .. 3	NICHOLAS J. DAVIES .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CRAWFORD T. HILLIS.

First peal on the bells for 32 years.

## ASHFORD, KENT.

On Wed., Jan. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 23 cwt. in E flat.

PETER M. WILKINSON .. Treble	CRAWFORD T. HILLIS .. 5
MAISIE VANTOM .. .. 2	ROBERT SWIFT .. .. 6
JOSEPHINE HARDY .. .. 3	MARK W. MARSHALL .. 7
J. RICHARD HOUGH .. .. 4	DENNIS A. CHAPMAN .. Tenor

Conducted by CRAWFORD T. HILLIS.

Rung to celebrate the New Year.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

## BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thurs., Jan. 9, 1964, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP,

## A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

*MAURICE C. HUGHES .. Treble	EDWARD W. COLLEY .. 7
MURIEL REAY .. .. 2	GEOFFREY DAVIES .. 8
†MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. 3	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. 9
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 4	CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. 10
CHARLES A. S. WEBB .. 5	JOHN A. ANDERSON .. 11
†MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. 6	‡GEORGE E. FEARN .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by CLIFFORD A. BARRON.

\* 100th peal. † 100th peal together. ‡ 400th peal in this tower.

## CROYDON, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 35 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 36 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb. in C sharp.

*ANDREW J. CORBY .. Treble	ARTHUR S. RICHARDS .. 7
JOHN E. CHILCOTT .. .. 2	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 8
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 3	ALAN E. BAGWORTH .. 9
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 4	MICHAEL P. MORETON .. 10
ROYDON DAVIES .. .. 5	FREDERICK E. COLLINS .. 11
†RICHARD C. STEVENS .. 6	PHILIP A. CORBY .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by FREDERICK E. COLLINS.

\* First peal of Cinques. † First on 12 bells.

Rung as a 90th birthday compliment to Reuben Sanders.

## EXETER, DEVON.

## THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 53 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 72 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in B flat.

MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY Treble	PHILIP N. TUBBS .. .. 7
ARTHUR H. REED .. .. 2	JOHN HARTLESS .. .. 8
ANN M. COX .. .. 3	FRANK D. MACK .. .. 9
*NORMAN MALLETT .. .. 4	JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD .. 10
MICHAEL J. BEST .. .. 5	RONALD N. MARLOW .. 11
FRANK L. HARRIS .. .. 6	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. } Tenor
	LEWIS F. COBB .. .. }

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by FRANK L. HARRIS.

\* First peal on 12 bells.

## TEWKESBURY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes,

AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 27 cwt. 5 lb. in D.

MAURICE C. HUGHES .. Treble	RODERICK W. PIPE .. 7
MURIEL REAY .. .. 2	EDWARD W. COLLEY .. 8
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 3	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. 9
CHARLES A. S. WEBB .. 4	GEORGE E. FEARN .. 10
GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 5	JOHN A. ANDERSON .. 11
*JOHN R. INSLEY .. .. 6	CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. Tenor

Conducted by CLIFFORD A. BARRON.

\* First peal in 12 bells.

## LINCOLN.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Jan. 16, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,

IN ST. HUGH'S TOWER OF THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

## A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

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

*PAMELA M. TURNER .. Treble	WALTER TOMLINSON .. 7
JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. .. 2	H. LESLIE PASK .. .. 8
NORAH M. RANGLES .. .. 3	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. 9
JOHN FREEMAN .. .. 4	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. 10
JOHN WALDEN .. .. 5	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. 11
*ROBIN H. ROGERS .. .. 6	JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by JOHN FREEMAN.

\* First peal of Stedman Cinques.

In memoriam John Ashley Freeman.

## TEN BELL PEALS

## LUTON, BEDFORDSHIRE.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 25 cwt. 19 lb.

DAVID T. DARBY .. .. Treble	STEPHEN J. IVIN .. .. 6
ANDREW N. STUBBS .. .. 2	PATRICK I. CHAPMAN .. 7
ALAN F. THIRST .. .. 3	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. 8
GEORGE W. PIPE .. .. 4	TREVOR N. BAILEY .. .. 9
NOEL J. DISERENS .. .. 5	WILFRED WILLIAMS .. Tenor

Composed by C. K. LEWIS.

Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.



## ROTHERHAM, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE ROYAL

In 21 methods, being 240 each of Albanian, Banbury, Cambridge, Haslemere, Inveraray, Lincolnshire, Lindsey, London No. 3, Marsden, Mirfield, Oakham, Ossett, Prittlewell, Pudsey, Ranmoor, Rutland, Selby, Staffordshire, Whitby, York and Yorkshire; with 122 changes of method.

STUART ARMESON .. .. Treble	J. HENRY FIELDEN .. .. 6
JEANNE E. BOTTOMLEY .. .. 2	RICHARD E. PRICE .. .. 7
W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. .. 3	WILFRID F. MORETON .. .. 8
DONALD H. NIBLETT .. .. 4	JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK .. .. 9
VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. .. 5	NORMAN CHADDOCK .. .. Tenor

Composed by DONALD H. NIBLETT. Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.  
The most methods rung in a peal of Royal.

## ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSN. &amp; N. SOUTHWARK DIO. GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 3 Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5000 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 16½ cwt. in E.

PATRICIA ROGERS .. .. Treble	*MICHAEL P. THOMAS .. .. 6
MRS. OLIVE L. ROGERS .. .. 2	SQUIRE CROFT .. .. 7
MRS. KATHLEEN PARR .. .. 3	MICHAEL HATCHETT .. .. 8
PETER N. FELTON .. .. 4	WILFRID G. WILSON .. .. 9
*ANTHONY C. KNIGHTS .. .. 5	HAROLD W. ROGERS .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN KETTERINGHAM (No. 21).

Conducted by HAROLD W. ROGERS.

\* First peal and first attempt. The conductor's 150th peal.  
Composition rung for the first time.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## BIRMINGHAM.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM

On Tues., Dec. 24, 1963, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP.

## A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in A.

H. JAMES TURNER .. .. Treble	JOHN C. EISEL .. .. 5
MURIEL REAY .. .. 2	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. 6
ANN E. FELLOWS .. .. 3	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 7
MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. .. 4	GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. LAW JAMES. Conducted by GEORGE E. FEARN.

## BIRMINGHAM.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in A.

NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. Treble	GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 5
MURIEL REAY .. .. 2	PETER D. WARREN .. .. 6
ANN E. FELLOWS .. .. 3	DAVID R. INGRAM .. .. 7
WILLIAM J. V. CONDUCT .. .. 4	JOHN A. ANDERSON .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by JOHN A. ANDERSON.

## DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALKMUND.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in E.
FRED W. STONE .. .. Treble	JOSEPH C. WOOLLEY .. .. 5
DENIS R. CARLISLE .. .. 2	FRANCIS R. LOWE .. .. 6
J. DAVID SHAW .. .. 3	DAVID W. PARKIN .. .. 7
MICHAEL A. WILLIS .. .. 4	DOUGLAS DERBYSHIRE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID W. PARKIN.

Rung as a 73rd birthday compliment to Fred W. Stone.

## COVENTRY, WARWICKSHIRE.

## THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Dec. 30, 1963, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, STOKE.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb.

KEITH F. GARDNER .. .. Treble	RAYMOND D. HART .. .. 5
ROY D. HAYNE .. .. 2	DAVID J. ALLEN .. .. 6
PAMELA WRIGHT .. .. 3	ARTHUR R. WRIGHT .. .. 7
GEORGE P. HAMMOND .. .. 4	GEOFFREY PRATT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY PRATT.

Rung as a compliment to David Lloyd and Ann Watkins, who were married on the previous Saturday at Bridgend, Glamorgan.

## HASLEMERE SURPRISE ROYAL

—30—16—50—38—70—18—16—50—18—30 L.H. 1648203957

## INVERARAY SURPRISE ROYAL

—30—16—50—18—14—30—14—30—18—10 L.H. 1648203957

These two methods are rung for the first time in a peal.

## LEYTONSTONE, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Dec. 31, 1963, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt.

DAVID J. BAKER .. .. Treble	AIDAN ST. J. BOYACK .. .. 5
*DENNIS ELLISON .. .. 2	JOHN H. CRAMPION .. .. 6
CHARLES A. HUGHES .. .. 3	DENNIS A. HEWITT .. .. 7
C. RONALD SMITH .. .. 4	ALFRED J. HOUSE .. .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by JOHN H. CRAMPION.  
First peal in the method.

## COLE-ORTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

## A PEAL OF 5056 JOHANNESBURG SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in G.

DEREK P. JONES .. .. Treble	DAVID J. ALLEN .. .. 5
A. MAXWELL LINDSEY .. .. 2	ALAN E. HARTLEY .. .. 6
JOHN K. SMITH .. .. 3	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. 7
MARTIN C. FAULKES .. .. 4	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by DEREK P. JONES.  
First peal in the method by the Guild, and by all the band.

## WATERMOOR, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt.

*WILLIAM E. GEARING .. Treble	†GORDON W. LAND .. .. 5
ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. 2	MICHAEL J. STANLEY .. .. 6
HUGH N. EVANS .. .. 3	VICTOR GRIFFIN .. .. 7
*ROLAND T. WAKEFIELD .. 4	*PETER WAKEFIELD .. .. Tenor

Composed by G. H. CROSS. Conducted by GORDON W. LAND.  
\* First peal on eight bells. † First of Major in the method. ‡ First of Major 'inside.' First of Major as conductor. The conductor's 75th peal.

## WESTHOUGHTON, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 2 lb. in F sharp.

MARGARET E. FORT .. .. Treble	JOHN P. PARTINGTON .. .. 5
MARYL R. CROSSTHWAITE .. 2	*GEOFFREY FOTHERGILL .. .. 6
*PHILIP J. CROSSTHWAITE .. 3	CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE .. .. 7
*BERNARD MOSS .. .. 4	JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by JOHN H. FIELDEN.  
\* First peal of London. First of London as conductor. First in the method on the bells.

## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Jan. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

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

REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. Treble	RAYMOND BENFIELD .. .. 5
BRIAN G. WARWICK .. .. 2	ROGER I. KENDRICK .. .. 6
DAN S. PONT .. .. 3	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. 7
J. RICHARD PERKINS .. .. 4	B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. MAURICE ATKINS. Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.  
The last peal by the 'Monday' band.

## PINCHBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Jan. 6, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 9 lb.

DEREK J. JONES .. .. Treble	GEORGE W. MASSEY .. .. 5
*ROGER D. BAILEY .. .. 2	RAYMOND H. DAW .. .. 6
*DENNIS WOODS .. .. 3	CYRIL R. BURRELL .. .. 7
JOHN E. ALLEN .. .. 4	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. Tenor

Composed by 'S.I.' Conducted by BRIAN HARRIS.  
\* First peal of London.

## GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Wed., Jan. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 8 cwt. 23 lb. in C.

CLIFFORD R. LOVETT .. .. Treble	SYLVIA R. E. PIPE .. .. 5
MICHAEL DANIELS .. .. 2	LESLIE N. MELTON .. .. 6
BRENDA DOWNING .. .. 3	ROBERT DOWNING .. .. 7
ERNEST G. PEARCE .. .. 4	CECIL W. PIPE .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD. Conducted by CECIL W. PIPE.  
Rung half-muffled in memoriam Lord Cranworth, K.G., M.C., Lord of the Manor and people's warden, whose funeral took place this day at Grundisburgh.



CALVERLEY, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Jan. 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID.

**A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb. in G.

*OLIVIA A. MARSHALL .. Treble	WILFRED LEE .. 5
*JOAN M. DAWSON .. 2	PERCY WHEATLEY .. 6
*ROGER J. LUMLEY .. 3	PETER M. DAWSON .. 7
*ROBERT A. APPLEBY .. 4	*ROGER WADDINGTON .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER M. DAWSON.

\* First peal in the method.

Rung as a 70th birthday compliment to Wilfred Lee by members of the Sunday service band.

LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Jan. 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE.

**A PEAL OF 5056 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb.

GEORGE L. ROOBOTTOM .. Treble	DAVID W. FRIEND .. 5
DAVID J. MARSHALL .. 2	MICHAEL WILLIS .. 6
JOSEPH C. WOOLLEY .. 3	GORDON A. HALLS .. 7
ROBIN GUY .. 4	HAROLD TAYLOR .. Tenor

Composed by WM. THORNLEY.

Conducted by GORDON A. HALLS.

SHALFORD, SURREY.  
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Jan. 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

**A PEAL OF 5024 KNEBORTH SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb. in F sharp.

PATRICIA J. LAYCOCK .. Treble	STANLEY G. PONTING .. 5
BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 2	DEREK E. SIBSON .. 6
E. JANE SIBSON .. 3	W. LESLIE WELLS .. 7
WILLIAM T. BEESON .. 4	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. Tenor

Composed by H. G. CASHMORE.

Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

\* First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Guild.

BARNES, S.W.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Jan. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

**A PEAL OF 5216 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb. in G.

LAWRENCE SMITH .. Treble	ANTHONY H. SMITH .. 5
THOMAS J. LOCK .. 2	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. 6
ANTHONY R. KENCH .. 3	WILFRID G. WILSON .. 7
JOHN C. EISEL .. 4	JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM.

Rung with the best wishes of the band to Mr. Reuben Sanders, of St. Margaret's, Westminster, on the occasion of his 90th birthday.

FRINDSBURY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Jan. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

JOHNSON'S variation .. Treble	W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON .. 5
DAVID K. PUTNAM .. 2	GEORGE B. COLLINS .. 6
MARTIN L. HOWE .. 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 7
CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 4	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. Tenor

Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Cyril S. Jarrett.

LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Jan. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 8½ cwt.

ALAN E. HARTLEY .. Treble	*GEOFFREY M. BREWIN .. 5
DAVID G. WILFORD .. 2	ROLAND H. COOK .. 6
WILLIAM A. LACEY .. 3	*R. KINGSLEY MASON .. 7
A. MAXWELL LINDSEY .. 4	JOHN E. COOK .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN.

Conducted by JOHN E. COOK.

\* 125th peal. First in 11 Spliced Surprise Major by all the band, for the Guild, and on the bells.

BRADLEY, BILSTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

**A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in G.

EDMUND MALIN .. Treble	RODERICK J. LEES .. 5
*MICHAEL W. FAIREY .. 2	*WILLIAM A. BLAKE .. 6
J. DENNIS HOLDEN .. 3	HARRY GRIFFITHS .. 7
ERIC E. SPEAKE .. 4	DEREK P. JONES .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by DEREK P. JONES.

\* First peal in the method.

BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY AND UNDIVIDED TRINITY.

**A PEAL OF 5088 XENIA SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 lb. in E flat.

DON C. EXELL .. Treble	MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. 5
GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. 2	† D. JOHN HUNT .. 6
*PETER BRIDLE .. 3	JAMES R. TAYLOR .. 7
JENNIFER TAYLOR .. 4	PHILIP M. J. GRAY .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. IVIN.

Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

\* 50th peal of Surprise Major. † Has now completed the alphabet to Surprise Major. First in the method for the Association, on the bells, and by all the band. 50th peal on the bells (including four when the bells were hung in the tower of the Holy Cross, Bristol).

Rung on the 19th birthday of the ringer of the second.

BUNBURY, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BONIFACE.

**A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

ROY WORRALL .. Treble	MICHAEL THOMSON .. 5
*VICTOR STONIER .. 2	HAROLD WORRALL .. 6
*HAROLD DOWLER .. 3	FRANK MORTON .. 7
JOHN RYDER .. 4	HARRY W. HOWARD .. Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS.

Conducted by HARRY W. HOWARD.

\* First peal of Little Bob Major.

CHATHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

**A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In four methods, comprising 1,312 Bristol, 1,280 each of Superlative, Cambridge and London; with 112 changes of method.

Tenor 25 cwt. in E flat.

DAVID S. OSENTON .. Treble	*W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON .. 5
CYRIL S. JARRETT .. 2	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 6
TREVOR A. CROSS .. 3	MARTIN L. HOWE .. 7
CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 4	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN.

Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.

\* First peal of Spliced.

MARPLE, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb.

ANNE P. SMITH (1958-) .. Treble	C. KENNETH LEWIS (1932-48) .. 5
FRANK OSBALDISTON (1955-) .. 2	*M. JACK PRYOR (1954-58) .. 6
CHRISTINE C. MACNAIR (1955-) .. 3	ROBERT B. SMITH (1955-) .. 7
ALAN McFALL (1954-) .. 4	WILLIAM H. DOWSE (1954-) .. Tenor

Composed by THOS. B. WORSLEY (C.C.C. No. 17).

Conducted by ROBERT B. SMITH.

\* First of Surprise 'inside' and first in method. First peal on the bells since augmentation.

Rung by past and present members of the local band.

NETHERTON (DUDLEY), WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 lb. in F sharp.

*IRENE ELLESMORE .. Treble	WILLIAM J. NEWMAN .. 5
MICHAEL G. SELBY .. 2	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. 6
*A. BRYAN ELLESMORE .. 3	GERALD C. HEMMING .. 7
MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. 4	GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by GERALD C. HEMMING.

\* First peal of Yorkshire Surprise.

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## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

BROUGHTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Mon., Nov. 25, 1963, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,  
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being extents of Cambridge S., Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., St. Clement's B., Double Oxford B., Single Oxford B. and Plain B. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb.

HARRY BALDWIN .. .. Treble	MICHAEL WHITING .. .. 4
MAURICE LINGS .. .. 2	HAROLD JUDD .. .. 5
JACK BRAY .. .. 3	JOHN HALL .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN HALL.

SADDINGTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Fri., Dec. 6, 1963, in 2 Hours and 12 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,  
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 11 methods, comprising (1 to 3) Stedman, (4 to 6) Grandsire, (7 to 9) Reverse Canterbury Pl., (10 to 12) Winchendon Place, (13 to 15) Southrepps Pl., (16 to 18) St. Miles, (19 to 21) Clifford's Pl., (22 to 24) St. Luke, (25 to 27) Reverse Canterbury Pl., (28 to 30) Plain Bob, (31 to 33) Reverse Canterbury Pl., (34 to 36) April Day, (37 to 39) Reverse Canterbury Pl., (40 to 42) Kennington. Tenor 8½ cwt.

BRIAN C. LAW .. .. Treble	†RUPERT A. CLARKE .. .. 3
*RON CHAPMAN .. .. 2	‡DAVID F. MOORE .. .. 4
MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by MAURICE R. A. KIRK.

\* First peal 'inside.' † 100th peal. ‡ 75th peal.

GOOSTREY, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,  
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 6 cwt.  
JOHN RYDER .. .. Treble HARRY W. HOWARD .. .. 4  
F. GEORGE FORRESTER .. .. 2 HAROLD WORRALL .. .. 5  
BRIAN SCHOFIELD .. .. 3 ERNEST PIMLOTT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST PIMLOTT.

The ringers of 4 and tenor have now 'circled the tower.'

MESSINGHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,  
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being extents of Bourne S., Cambridge S., Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Double Oxford B., Single Oxford B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb.

JOHN UNDERWOOD .. .. Treble	MICHAEL WHITING .. .. 4
MAURICE LINGS .. .. 2	RICHARD HALL .. .. 5
HAROLD JUDD .. .. 3	JOHN HALL .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN HALL.

WASHINGTON, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Tues., Dec. 31, 1963, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,  
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of London, Wells, York, Durham, Beverley, Surfleet and Cambridge. Tenor 9 cwt. 25 lb.

BRIAN LUFF .. .. Treble	EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. .. 4
LEONARD STILWELL .. .. 2	STANLEY G. PONTING .. .. 5
PATRICIA DISERENS .. .. 3	RONALD F. DISERENS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by RONALD F. DISERENS.

HASKETON, SUFFOLK.  
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In eight methods, being the following 720's: (1) Double Court Bob, (2) Cambridge Surprise, (3) Oxford Bob, (4) St. Clement's and Double Oxford Bob, (5) Kent and Oxford T.B., (6 and 7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

MICHAEL C. GARROD .. .. Treble	NEVILLE F. WHITTELL .. .. 4
ROBERT E. LESTER .. .. 2	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 5
LAWRENCE R. PIZZEE .. .. 3	ALAN R. BRIDGES .. .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

NORTH COLLINGHAM, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.  
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5040 BURSLEM DELIGHT MINOR

Being seven extents (two callings).

Tenor 9½ cwt.

*ANNE BATESON .. .. Treble	†COLIN W. REED .. .. 4
†MARY C. POYNER .. .. 2	‡JOHN GOW .. .. 5
†BERYL N. REED .. .. 3	†HARRY POYNER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY POYNER.

\* First peal with a treble bob hunt. † First of Delight Minor.  
‡ First of Delight. First of Minor in the method for the Guild.

STOWE-BY-CHARTLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in F

IAN FRIEND .. .. Treble	*FRANK BEECH, JUN. .. .. 4
F. HECTOR BENNETT .. .. 2	*GEORGE E. MORRALL .. .. 5
*ERNEST C. MORRALL .. .. 3	RICHARD J. WARRILOW .. .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN FRIEND.

\* First peal in the method. First of Treble Bob as conductor.

SUTTON-ON-HULL, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(The Beverley and District Society.)

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In four methods, being one extent of Cambridge Surprise, two of Oxford T.B., two of Kent T.B. and two of Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb.

JANET I. PORTER .. .. Treble	THOMAS W. THIRKELL .. .. 4
*PATRICIA A. WILSON .. .. 2	CLEMENT R. ROBINSON .. .. 5
HENRY RODMELL .. .. 3	HAROLD F. GIBSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JANET I. PORTER.

\* First peal.  
Rung as a compliment to the Rev. C. J. Hawthorn (curate of Sutton) and Miss E. M. Lowe, married this day.

ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Jan. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (four different callings). Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in G

*RAYMOND D. HELLIWELL Treble	†ROGER LEIGH .. .. 4
ANTHONY J. HELLIWELL .. .. 2	ROBERT A. BOLT .. .. 5
††RICHARD J. PARKER .. .. 3	*MICHAEL BELL .. .. Tenor

Non-conducted.

\* First peal at first attempt. † 25th peal together. ‡ 50th peal for the Association.

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**BURBAGE, BUXTON, DERBYSHIRE.**  
**THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sun., Jan. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents.

*MARTIN STANWAY .. .. Treble	HENRY KIRK .. .. . 4
RONALD DAWSON .. .. . 2	J. DAVID ADAMS .. .. . 5
GILLIAN FANSHAW .. .. . 3	ALAN G. KIRK .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by ALAN G. KIRK.

\* First peal.

Rung half-muffled prior to the memorial service for Mrs. A. Bonsall.

**STOKE D'ABERNON, SURREY.**  
**THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Mon., Jan. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents in six different callings.

*ANN SKINNER .. .. . Treble	*MARGIE NESS .. .. . 4
ROSAMUND RAWLINGS .. .. 2	†VANESSA RODRIGUES .. .. 5
*DUDLEY COCKE .. .. . 3	JUDITH GEIRINGER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JUDITH GEIRINGER.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.' First as conductor.

Average age of band 16 years 10 months.

**THURCASTON, LEICESTER.**  
**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
*(Syston District.)*  
*On Mon., Jan. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES**

Being 42 extents.

ROBERT DAW .. .. . Treble	CHRISTINE P. HART .. .. 4
MARILYN TIPPING .. .. . 2	FREDERICK T. BINDLEY .. .. 5
*JOHN ANTILL .. .. . 3	*ERIC V. ADNETT .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK T. BINDLEY.

\* First peal. First as conductor for the Guild. First on the bells by a local Sunday service band.

A 74th birthday compliment to the conductor.

**BARKING, SUFFOLK.**

**THE SUFFOLK GUILD.**

*On Fri., Jan. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in ten methods: (1) Double Court, (2) Norwich Surprise, (3) Ipswich and Cambridge Surprise, (4) Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, (5) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (6) Oxford Bob and Plain Bob, (7) Plain Bob.

*E. JAMES LOCKWOOD .. Treble	ALFRED E. HONEYWOOD .. 4
ROBERT E. LESTER .. .. . 2	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. . 5
ALICE E. J. LESTER .. .. . 3	†PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

\* First peal. † First in ten methods.

Rung to mark the retirement of the Rev. W. G. Hargrave Thomas after 39 years as Vicar of Needham Market.

**CROFT, LEICESTERSHIRE.**

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Fri., Jan. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven 720's.

FREDERICK WATSON .. .. Treble	*MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. .. 4
K. PAUL GILLIVER .. .. . 2	BRIAN L. BURROWS .. .. . 5
MRS. JILL BELCHER .. .. . 3	MICHAEL E. BROWN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

\* First peal of Surprise.

Rung as a compliment to the Rev. G. E. Sims-Reeve, Rector of Croft, on the 40th anniversary of his ordination.

**CANTERBURY, KENT.**

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALPHEGE,**

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In eight methods, being an extent each of London Surprise, Double Court, Oxford Treble Bob, St. Clement's and Double Oxford, Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob. Tenor 7½ cwt. in B.

JOHN D. FAIRCLOTH .. .. Treble	ANDREW M. MACVE .. .. . 4
DENNIS A. CHAPMAN .. .. . 2	IAN H. ORAM .. .. . 5
RALPH BIRD .. .. . 3	A. PATRICK CANNON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by RALPH BIRD.

**HARSTON, CAMBRIDGE.**

**THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents.

A. KEITH PHILLIPS .. .. Treble	ALAN M. BARBER .. .. . 4
CHRIS. L. BELL .. .. . 2	DAVID W. SWEET .. .. . 5
DELPHINE J. FULLER .. .. . 3	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. THODAY.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Barbara J. Leigh, of Lewisham.

**LYDIARD DELIGHT MINOR**

x 36 x 4 x 12 x 1.34 x 12.5 6ths place. L.C. 34625.

**JARROW-ON-TYNE, CO. DURHAM.**  
**THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,**

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In four methods, being one extent of Double Oxford and two each of Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.

*WILLIAM DAVIDSON .. .. Treble	MICHAEL ARMSTRONG .. .. 4
†JAMES CROWTHER .. .. . 2	FREDERICK ROSS .. .. . 5
‡M. ELAINE MURCOTT .. .. 3	MICHAEL MAUGHAN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL MAUGHAN.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.' ‡ First of Minor. First as conductor.

**WALKHAMPTON, DEVON.**

**THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.**

*On Wed., Jan. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,*

**AT THE PARISH CHURCH.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents.

*R. JOYCE MARKS .. .. Treble	D. ROY BOULD .. .. . 4
MARGARET A. BOULD .. .. 2	HARRY STACEY .. .. . 5
H. FREDERICK MYERS .. .. 3	ROBERT A. SOUTHWOOD .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT A. SOUTHWOOD.

\* First peal of Minor.

Rung for the 90th birthday of Reuben Sanders by some of his West Country friends.

**HANDBELL PEALS**

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE.**

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Tues., Dec. 31, 1963, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,*

**AT 1, RUSSELL STREET.**

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 12 in F.

*ANTHONY D. SANSOM .. 1—2	FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. 5—6
NEIL BENNETT .. .. . 3—4	DEREK A. ASHTON .. .. . 7—8

Composed by C. K. LEWIS. Conducted by FREDERICK SHALLCROSS.

\* First peal on handbells. First on handbells in the method as conductor.

**SWINDON, WILTSHIRE.**

**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Wed., Jan. 1, 1964, in 1 Hour and 54 Minutes,*

**AT 54, ASHFORD ROAD.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven extents (five different callings).

GORDON W. LAND .. .. . 1—2	BRIAN BLADON .. .. . 3—4
ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. . 5—6	

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

First handbell peal in the method by all the band, and for the Association.

**BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICESTERSHIRE.**

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Thurs., Jan. 2, 1964, in 1 Hour and 50 Minutes,*

**AT 66, MELTON ROAD.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 12 in F.

BRIAN G. WARWICK .. .. 1—2	JOHN A. ACRES .. .. . 5—6
RUPERT A. CLARKE .. .. 3—4	B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. .. 7—8

Composed by E. M. ATKINS. Conducted by JOHN A. ACRES.

Rung on the 25th anniversary of the conductor's first peal, with gratitude to Albert E. Austin (Wood Ditton, Cambs), who taught him to ring.

**LEICESTER.**

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Tues., Jan. 7, 1964, in 1 Hour and 57 Minutes,*

**AT THE WAYSIDE, 150, NARBOROUGH ROAD SOUTH.**

**A PEAL OF 5056 ULLESTHORPE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Middleton's.

JOHN A. ACRES .. .. . 1—2	JOHN M. JELLEY .. .. . 5—6
PETER J. STANFORTH .. .. 3—4	ALFRED BALLARD .. .. . 7—8

Conducted by PETER J. STANFORTH.

First peal to be rung in this method on handbells.

**STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTSHIRE.**

**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Tues., Jan. 7, 1964, in 1 Hour and 58 Minutes,*

**AT 33, BRIDGE END ROAD.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MINOR**

Consisting of 63 methods, in the following 7-spliced extents: (1) Primrose Surprise, York. Queen Bess, Hoylandswaine and Lydiard Delight; (2) Nelson Treble Bob, Knutsford, Rostherne, Bogedone, Wilmslow, Skipton, Chepstow, Fotheringay, Balmoral and Ely Delight, Bourne and Hull Surprise; (3) College, Wavertree, St. Clement's, Childwall, Rodbourne, Buxton, Double Oxford, Thelwall, London Bob and Lytham; (4) Fulbeck, Double Bob, Reverse Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob; (5) Old Oxford, College Bob IV, Willesden, Newdigate, Neasden, St. Albans, Wragby, Charlwood, Braintree, Marple, Humber, Taxal, Clarence and Elston Delight, Morning Star Treble Bob; (6) Sandal, London Scholar's, Kingston, Capel, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury, Ockley and Oxford Treble Bob, Wath, Pontefract, Carisbrooke and Donottar Delight; (7) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Primrose, Bourne and Hull Surprise; with 175 changes of method, and a plain lead of each included. Tenor size 15 in C.

GORDON W. LAND .. .. 1—2	BRIAN BLADON .. .. . 3—4
ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. 5—6	

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

The greatest number of methods to a handbell peal by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.



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### MISCELLANEOUS

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.—The annual dinner will be held in Selwyn College on Saturday, March 7th, at 8 for 8.30 p.m. The price will be 26s. Ringing details will be published shortly.—S. C. Walters, Pembroke College, Cambridge. 4032

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—General Secretary and Treasurer, H. S. Peacock, 8, Roscrea Terrace, St. John's Street, Huntingdon. Tel.: Huntingdon 499. District Secretaries: Cambridge, B. D. Threlfall, 6, Pigtle Close, Harston, Cambs. Tel.: Harston 650. Ely, R. J. Palmer, 65, Mildenhall Road, Fordham, Cambs. Tel.: Fordham 260. Hunts, M. J. Dyer, 18, Moyné Road, Sawtry, Hunts. Wisbech, J. E. Fox, Westleigh, Walpole Marsh, Wisbech. Tel.: Walpole St. Andrew 338. 4037

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Official Notice.—A General Committee meeting will be held in Holy Trinity, Guildford, vestry on Saturday, February 8th, at 3 p.m.—S. T. A. Russell, Gen. Hon. Sec. 4005

HYDE, CHESHIRE.—All future correspondence concerning the bells of St. George's should be addressed to Alan F. Scholfield, Albert House, Albert Road, Hyde, Cheshire. Tel.: Hyde 2388. Bells available every three months for peal attempt. Practice: Tuesdays, 7.30 p.m. 4031

NORTHERN UNIVERSITIES MEETING.—Saturday, February 15th, followed by Nottingham University Society's annual dinner. Bells available: Bulwell (8), 10.30-11.30 a.m.; Basford (8), 11.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m.; Clifton (6), 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; Nottingham St. Peter's (10), 2-3.30; Nottingham St. Mary's (10), 3.30-5; Beeston (10), 5-6.15 p.m. Tickets for dinner (six courses) 17s. 6d.—Apply Secretary, Diary address. 4021

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SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Organisers of outings please note. The Secretary of the Wimborne Branch is now Mrs. J. A. Robertson, Creech Cottage, Tarrant Keyneston, Blandford Forum, Dorset. Telephone Blandford 953. Please amend your diaries. 4060

### MEETINGS

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—Meeting at Elstow, Saturday, February 1st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Further ringing after tea. Special methods: College Exercise and Plain Bob.—F. W. Rivett, Dis. Sec. 3976

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E. A. BARNETT,  
Hon. Secretary.

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Warwick Branch.—Meeting at Snitterfield, February 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to I. C. Maycock, 109, Heathcote Road, Whitnash, Leamington Spa. 3997

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Meeting at Burwell, Saturday, February 1st. 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting.—R. J. Palmer, 4001

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leatherhead District.—Annual District meeting, ASHTEAD (not Leatherhead), on Feb. 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Notifications for tea to Mr. J. T. Symonds, 44, West Farm Avenue, Ashtead, Surrey. 3961

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Watford District.—Annual District meeting at Watford on Saturday, February 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. Smith, 131, Hampermill Lane, Oxhey, Watford.—J. M. Bunyan, Dis. Sec. 4006

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leicester District.—Meeting, Anstey, February 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in school-rooms 5 p.m.—A. J. P. 4048

MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.—Next meeting will be held at Newhall, Saturday, February 1st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea at 5 p.m.—J. Cotton, 4010

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—Monthly practice at Stony Stratford, Saturday, February 1st. Bells (8) from 6 p.m.—R. W. Sear, Hon. Sec. 4008

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Peterborough Branch.—Annual meeting, Saturday, February 1st. St. Mary's, Peterborough. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Evening ringing at St. John's (8) and St. Mary's. Names for tea to R. H. Daw, 37, Elmfield Road, Peterborough. 4008

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Wentworth, Saturday, February 1st. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Please send names to Mr. Andrew King, Wentworth Vicarage, Wentworth, near Rotherham.—J. Seager, 3993

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Annual dinner, February 1st, at Church House, Westminster. Tickets, one guinea, available. Ringing arrangements: St. James', Clerkenwell, 11 a.m.-12.15 p.m.; Southwark Cathedral, 1-2; St. Giles', Crinle-gate, 2.15-3.30; St. Andrew's, Holborn, 4-5.15; St. Giles-in-the-Fields, 5-6 p.m.—F. J. Matthews, 145, Wimbeldon Park Road, S.W.18. 3972

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Nottingham District.—Meeting, Saturday, February 1st. Bulwell. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify S. Adams, 54, Wilford Road, Ruddington. 3972

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—Annual Divisional meeting, Saturday, February 1st, at Horsham (8). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. F. L. Hairs, Hon. Sec., Norman Cottage, Park Corner, Groombridge, Sussex. 3983

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD.—Radnor District.—A.G.M., Knighton (8 bells) on Saturday, February 1st. Ringing at 2.30 p.m. 4055

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practice meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube station) on Monday, February 3rd, at 7 p.m.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Business meeting at 'The Rising Sun', Carter Lane, E.C., on Tuesday, February 4th at 8.15 p.m. Practices in February all 6.30-8 p.m.: 4th, St. Paul's Cathedral; 11th, St. Mary-le-Bow; 18th, St. Andrew's, Holborn; 25th, Southwark Cathedral.—John Chilcott.

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SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Practice meetings at Kingswood, February 4th and March 3rd from 7.30 p.m. These are arranged to assist learners. Your help appreciated.—G. A. W. 4030

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wirral Branch.—Annual dinner dance, Friday, February 7th, 6.30 p.m. until midnight. Tickets (21s. each) obtainable before February 5th from Alexander J. Martin, 28, Glenmore Road, Oxtion, Birkenhead. 4052

BARNESLEY DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Ecclesfield, near Sheffield, Saturday, February 8th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Please notify Mr. Leslie Smith, 3, Park Crescent, Ecclesfield, Sheffield, not later than February 4th.—J. W. Buxton, Hon. Sec. 4044

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Annual general meeting, Beverley, Saturday, February 8th. Minster (10) 2 to 4 p.m. Service in St. Mary's 4.20 p.m. Tea in Cross Keys Hotel, Laigate, 5 p.m., followed by business meeting and presentation by Bishop of Hull of Albert Sellers Memorial Cup. St. Mary's (10) later. Names for tea without fail by previous Thursday to Mr. A. T. Taylor, 28, Albert Terrace, Beverley. 4023

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The 12th annual and Sir A. P. Heywood Memorial Dinner will be held at the Midland Drapery, Derby, on Saturday, February 8th, 6.45 to 11 p.m. Tickets 18s. 6d. Ringing, St. Peter's, Derby, 3.30 to 6.30 p.m.—G. A. Halls, 54, Willson Avenue, Littleover, Derby. 4022

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—Bishopwearmouth, Saturday, February 8th, 3 p.m. Names for tea not later than February 5th to Mr. R. Bell, 22, Brinkburn Street, Sunderland. 4026

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Meeting at Sevenoaks (8), Saturday, February 8th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Ringing in the evening, 6-8.30. Names for tea by February 5th to Miss D. Colgate, 30, Buckhurst Avenue, Sevenoaks. 3991

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cambridge District.—Meeting at Trumpington, Saturday, February 8th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—B. D. Threlfall, Dis. Sec. 4047

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Gloucester Branch.—Saturday, February 8th, Longney (8), 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea only for those who notify by 5th. All welcome. Important meeting, please attend.—A. Crawley, 82, Avon Crescent, Brockworth, Gloucester. 4034

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Swindon Branch.—Meeting, February 8th, Wroughton (6). Names for tea to Luton, 169, Cheney Manor Road, Swindon. 4058

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.—East Devon Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Cotleigh on February 8th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting after. Names for tea by 5th to Mr. W. Sparks, Burnside, Cotleigh, Honiton. Phile Wilmington 200—W. Webb, Sec. 3975

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hereford District.—Annual general meeting at Hereford on Saturday, February 8th. Ringing, Hereford Cathedral, 2.15 until 4 p.m. Service at All Saints' 4.30. Tea and meeting at All Saints' Parish Room (the Royal George) afterwards, and All Saints' bells from 6.15 until 8.45 p.m. Names for tea, please, to R. G. Powell, 9, Green Lane, Kingstone, near Hereford. 3857

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Ludlow and Church Stretton District.—Annual meeting, Ludlow, Saturday, February 8th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Ringing after meeting. Bromfield and Stanton Lacy bells (6).—G. Randle, Hon. Sec. 4028

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Furness and Lake District Branch.—Meeting, Flookburgh, Saturday, February 8th, 2.30 p.m. Names to Mr. A. Edgar Holker, Grange-over-Sands.—N. M. Newby. 4056



**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Branch.—Meeting, February 8th, St. Thomas, Church, St. Helens, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea to Mr. Hedgecock, 37, Wilson Street, St. Helens, Lanes.—G. Howlett, Sec. 4051

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—Meeting at Samlesbury, Saturday, February 8th. Refreshments provided. Names, please, by Wednesday, 5th, to Mr. E. Mellroy, Riverside Bungalow, Potter Lane, Samlesbury, Preston. Preston-Blackburn New Road, buses 150, 152, 154.—L. Walmsley. 4057

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—Meeting at St. Leonard's, Middleton (the Parish Church), on Saturday, February 8th. Bells (8) 3 to 5 and 6 to 8 p.m. Own tea arrangements.—J. P. Partington. 4054

**LEEDS UNIVERSITY UNION CAM-PANOLOGICAL SOCIETY.**—Annual dinner at Griffin Hotel, Boar Lane, Leeds 1, on Saturday, February 8th, at 7 p.m. Tickets £1. Ringing arrangements appear next week.—F. Fairbank, Hon. Sec. 4054

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Quarterly general meeting in Loughborough District, February 8th. Bells available: Castle Donington (6), 2-2.45 p.m.; Diseworth (6), 2.30-3.15; Kegworth (8), 3-3.45 (subject to floor being safe); Shepshed (8), 3-4; Hathern (6), 3.30-4.15; Loughborough All Saints' (10), 3-4.25; Bell Foundry (10), 6.30-8.30. Service, Loughborough All Saints', 4.30. Tea, followed by meeting, Fearon Hall, 5 p.m. Adults 3s., juniors 2s. Names for tea to Miss G. Doggett, 8, Albert Place, Loughborough, Leics, by February 5th. All nominations for general officers and any proposed alterations to rules must be made by this meeting.—B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4015

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**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—North and East District.—Saturday, February 8th, annual District meeting, Enfield (St. Andrew's). Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business. Evening ringing to 8.—E. H. Kilby, Dis. Sec. 4050

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Branch.—Annual meeting, Great Yarmouth, February 8th. Bells (12) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by February 5th certain to Mr. P. Newstead, 23, Barnard Avenue, Great Yarmouth.—N. P. J. C., Branch Sec. 3979

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Reading Branch.—A.G.M., Reading, Saturday, February 8th. Caversham (8), 2.45-3.45 p.m.; St. Laurence's (12), 3.15-4.45. Service at St. Laurence's 4.45. Tea and meeting, St. Mary's Church House, 5.30. St. Mary's (8), 7-9 p.m. Names for tea by February 5th to Mrs. A. Diersen, 15, Hartsbourne Road, Earley, Reading. 4039

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**KELVEDON, ESSEX.**—Dedication of bells by the Bishop of Colchester on Saturday, February 15th, at 3 p.m. Bells available after. Numbers for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to J. Elliott, 28, Easterford Road, Kelvedon. 3996

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**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Eastern Branch.—Annual meeting, Boston, Saturday, February 15th. Bells 2 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea, Memorial Hall, 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday, February 10th, to W. E. Clarke, 99, Norfolk Street, Boston. 4043

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**BULKINGTON, WARWICKS.**—On Dec. 24th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Miss S. James 1, R. Liggins 2, N. Crowther 3, A. J. Hinde (cond.) 4, H. E. Ashley 5, B. Choules 6. First quarter 1, 2 and 6. By Sunday Service band.

**CHURCH LAWFORD, WARWICKS.**—On Nov. 17th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor (all calls single): K. Putnam 1, Mrs. Pamela J. Wright 2, Mrs. Margaret Pratt 3, R. D. Hart 4, G. Pratt 5, A. R. Wright (cond.) 6.

**CLAPHAM PARK, LONDON.**—On Jan. 19th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: A. Smith 1, A. Mann 2, M. Fort 3, A. Millidge (first in method) 4, D. Brookes (first Surprise Major) 5, Rev. A. Clayton (first in method) 6, J. Salter 7, J. Eisel (first in method as cond.) 8.

**HARWICH, ESSEX.**—On Jan. 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Rita Peck 1, Frances Smith 2, Diane Carter 3, Gillian Brown (cond.) 4, G. Waterman 5, W. Felgate 6. By the local Sunday service band as a farewell to Diane Carter who is shortly going to Bletchley Training College.

**IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.**—At the Church of St. Mary-le-Tower on Dec. 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: M. C. Garrad 1, Miss A. E. J. Lester 2, C. J. Sedaley 3, L. R. Pizey 3, G. E. Symonds 5, P. May 6, N. F. Whittell 7, A. T. Beckwith 8, R. L. K. Whittell 9, L. N. Melton (comp. and cond.) 10. For the passing of the Old Year.

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**MISTLEY, ESSEX.**—On Jan. 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Osborne 1, N. Osborne 2, G. Waterman 3, Gillian Brown (cond.) 4, A. E. Honeywood 5, U. Wildney 6. First quarter by candlelight for all the band.

**OLD MARSTON, OXFORD.**—On Jan. 11th, 1,260 Doubles (nine methods): Janet Woodman 1, Marilyn Bird 2, R. Jones (cond.) 3, N. Deam 4, A. Gammon 5. A wedding compliment to Miss Sylvia Jones (sister of the conductor) and Mr. Peter Watts who were married this day.

**SANDHURST, BERKS.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,320 Grand-sire Doubles: R. J. Scott 1, W. J. H. Parker (cond.) 2, C. J. Final 3, C. W. Barlow 4, E. G. L. Howitt 5, H. Goody 6. First quarter 1, 3 and 5. For Evensong.

**TOTTENHOE, BEDS.**—On Jan. 19th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: Christine Smith 1, June Sinfeld 2, J. Newman 3, R. J. Scott 4, J. L. Cloughton 5, A. G. Stripp 6, J. W. Sinfeld (cond.) 7, W. F. Gladman 8. For Evensong.

**WESTON FAVELL, NORTHANTS.**—On Jan. 18th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles (10 callings): G. C. Paul (cond.) 1, A. A. Paul 2, P. Amos 3, R. W. Smith 4, G. F. Roome 5. First of Stedman 1, 2 and 4. First of Stedman Doubles 3 and 5. Rung for the Feast of St. Anthony.

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**BRAMPTON, HUNTINGDON.**—On Dec. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Susan B. Baker (first quarter) 1, Maureen Allen 2, R. F. Baker (cond.) 3, E. A. Bailey 4, E. J. Whiting 5, J. W. Allen 6. For Evensong.

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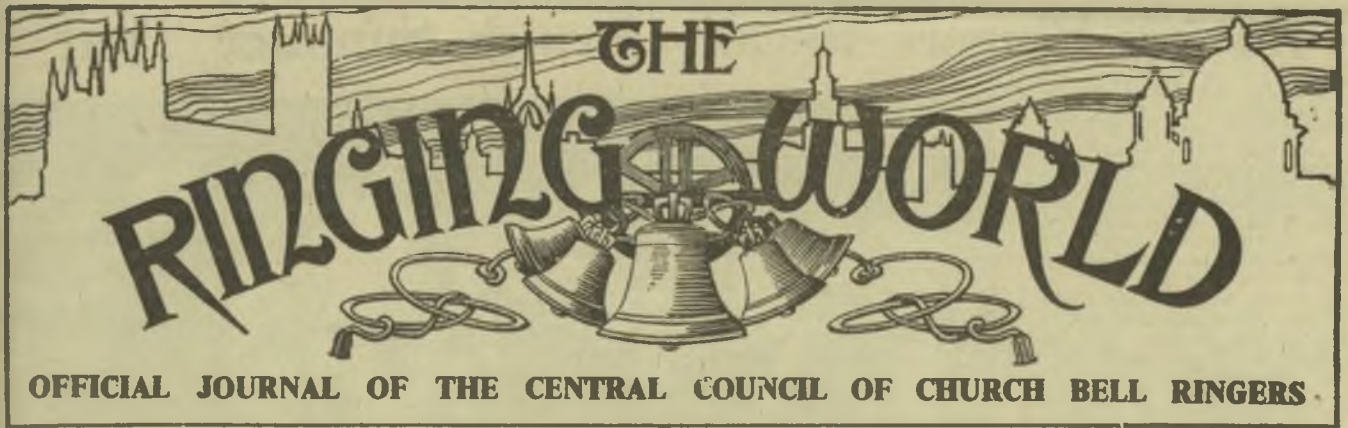
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## 'COMPLETE COLLECTION OF RIGHT-PLACE SURPRISE MAJOR METHODS'

THIS publication, by A. S. Hudson and J. W. McClennahan, has appeared at a time when the publication of all Surprise Major methods rung to peals is under consideration by the Central Council. With such a publication there are two points to be considered: firstly, whether there is a demand for such a work, and secondly, the degree of technical accuracy attained.

Before considering these, it is necessary to describe the work briefly. This publication is a list of 5,137 place notations (arranged in a somewhat unusual order) which produce 9,106 methods. It claims to contain all the right-place Surprise Major methods producing plain bob lead-ends, and containing not more than one double change in a half-lead. The reason why this last restriction has been imposed is obscure, because at least ten methods with two or more double changes in the half-lead have been rung to peals, and three of these—Ullesthorpe, Zelah and Wychwood—feature not uncommonly in the peal columns. Consequently, this cannot be considered to be an exhaustive collection of even right-place methods, though presumably, within the limits set out in the foreword, it is complete.

Of these 9,106 methods some 232 have been rung to peals, so there is plenty of scope left for those wanting new simple methods. However, it must be said that a large number of them have unattractive features. Firstly, over 1,000 contain eleven-pull dodging in 7-8, and a similar number have eleven-pull dodging (or minor 1-2 variations) in 1-2. Secondly, there is a considerable number of methods which contain 87s at backstroke in the plain course, for example 250-259 and 1803-1827. It is not the purpose of this review to discuss the relative merits of the methods, and it must be left to the individuals concerned to decide what is worth ringing. It will be interesting to see how many of these methods are in fact pealable, when the second volume is produced, containing falseness incidence.

The question of whether the Exercise requires such a publication is a difficult one to answer. It is exceedingly

unlikely that all these methods will be rung, and if a number of methods is required it is a comparatively simple task to produce them without reference to such a publication as this. The publication of such a collection surely involves some degree of responsibility to the Exercise, in that it should seek at least to maintain the present standards, if not to improve them. In the past we have had articles and correspondence on lowering the standards when some of these slight variation methods have been rung, and here is a large collection of methods, many of which have dubious qualities, as shown above. The production of this on the grounds of completeness is no justification for making inferior methods generally available: it can easily lower the standards. Surely what the Exercise really requires is firstly, a collection of methods already rung to peals, and secondly, if a collection of unring methods is required, one containing right and wrong place methods of varying degrees of difficulty on the lines of A. J. Corrigan's Surprise Major Methods.

The second point on technical accuracy is much easier to answer. It is an impossible task to check whether all the methods do produce plain bob lead-ends: obviously, any method will be checked before it is rung. The naming of methods in this book has produced both inaccuracy and inconsistency. A complete list of corrections is given on Page 91 of this issue. The only comment to be made is that it is a pity that the collection was not sent to someone with a filing system for checking before publication for, once again, errors are perpetuated in print and will inevitably give rise to controversy in the future. It seems a pity that the now accepted lettering for lead-ends has been ignored and a new system of figures and blank spaces substituted.

At first sight this seems to be a rather disparaging review. It is only fair to say that the compilers have obviously spent a lot of time producing it. Most of the printing is clear, but the stencils for pages 44-47 have got interposed as the page numbering is correct but the method sequence is not. The volume is well bound and has a good strong cover. Undoubtedly, anyone who tries to keep records will require a copy: its value to the Exercise as a whole is debatable and considerable selection of methods chosen for peals will be required.

D. E. SIBSON.



# Roving Ringers Recall Cornish Summer Tour

ON Saturday, July 27th, 13 ringers assembled at the Church of St. Maddern (8 bells) at Madron, near Penzance, to commence the 17th annual tour of the Roving Ringers, which was to take us through over 200 arduous but enjoyable miles of picturesque and varied West Country scenery in blazing sunshine that burnt us red and raw within the first day.

Those who met at Madron had little time for introductions before setting off on bicycles for the big youth hostel just outside Penzance. However, one young lady soon made her name by leading three innocent ringers over a 'short cut'—least said the better, but they did eventually arrive in time for the evening meal! Nine more joined that evening, bringing our members to 22 and creating a situation unique in the history of the Society in that there were 15 members on their first tour.

Sunday morning saw some enthusiastic ringing for the morning service at St. Mary's, Penzance (8) and lunchtime found us at Mousehole, where we tackled our first Cornish pasties. Our first courses of London and Cambridge were at Paul (6), and then we enjoyed a lazy afternoon swimming and sunbathing at Sennen Cove.

The Vicar at Sennen (6) was astounded to find lady ringers in the party and a ladies' touch was promptly organised. He retreated, baffled, to the vestry from which he emerged a little later to take Evensong and to preach a sermon specially prepared for our visit. Following the evening meal at Land's End Hostel we all trooped down to the pub and, led by our popular vocalist, engaged the regulars in a battle of songs.

## FIRST CASUALTY

The 11-mile run to Zennor (6) the next morning produced our first casualty, when one of the girls collected some cuts and bruises on a steep hill. Fortunately she was not badly hurt and was able to join in the ringing here, which included good courses of Cambridge and London, Stedman and Double Norwich. The light, fast bells at Towedack (8) followed before a brisk ride into St. Ives. Beer, cheese and pickles fortified us for the four-mile climb to Carbis Bay (10), where we rang amongst other things a touch of Erin Caters. Another two miles took us to Lelant (6) before concluding the day's ringing with some Yorkshire and Little Bob at Phillack (8). The scorching sunshine and hard cycling was beginning to make itself felt to those who were not used to the saddle (most of us!) and after a most welcome dinner at Phillack Hostel the evening was spent applying cream.

Tuesday followed gently with a three-mile run to St. Gwinar (6) followed by 11 arduous miles to Helston (8), where the effects of the hard ride were all too apparent in the ringing. Fortified by lunch, the 12 miles to St. Gluvias (8) were taken in our stride and the ringing improved. It was here that a certain gentleman knocked himself out in a 'grave' accident in the churchyard but the nurses in the party soon had him on his feet again and no ill effects were suffered. Perran-ar-Worthal (6) was the last tower that day and after settling in at Truro Youth Hostel the bells at the Cathedral showed it was practice night and many of us went to steal a ring before our appointed visit the following afternoon.

Early next morning another Roving Ringer joined us as we set out on a 39-mile circular tour, ringing at East Newlyn (6), St. Columb Minor (8), Crantock (6), Perranzabuloe (6) and finishing at Truro Cathedral (10), where a half-course of Cambridge Royal was easily accomplished on these fine bells.

Thursday was notable in more ways than one. Firstly we rang our first course of Cornwall at Kenwyn (8) and at Probus (8) the fourth lost its clapper with fortunately no



The Rovers, all fresh and spry, at St. Columb Minor Churchyard. There were 200 miles of hard cycling ahead of them.

damage to bells or fittings. It was being rung by who else but the lady of 'short cut' fame.

## SOUND ENGINEERS PROTEST

After lunch, ringing at St. Austell was nearly brought to an abrupt halt by an antagonistic policeman on point duty outside the church. Matters were not improved when two sound engineers came storming up to the porch (it was a ground-floor ring) and accused us of interfering with the testing of some delicate equipment nearby. All three, however, soon became so interested in the intricacies of change ringing that by the time it had all been explained to them we had rung the bells down and were ready to leave.

The prospect of a 10-mile ride to Lostwithiel in the blazing sun was too much for some, who disgraced themselves by catching a train, but all was forgiven when we received an enthusiastic and friendly welcome from the local ringers at Lostwithiel (6). They challenged us to join them in ringing the bells up and down the Cornish way—which we did.

Lostwithiel Hostel was to be our home for two nights, so Friday was another circular tour, taking us to Tywardreath (6), Fowey (8) and Llanallos (8), where we had planned to have lunch. To our dismay there was neither shop nor pub within three miles and after a makeshift snack it was decided to miss out the next tower, eight miles away, and have a leisurely ride to our last tower of the day, with a cream tea en route.

Saturday was our last day of cycling and it was with mixed feelings of relief, and sorrow that we set off for Lanhedock (8) and Lanivet (8). Lastly, Bodmin (8), where we did justice to the bells before cycling the three miles to Bodmin Road Station, where we caught a train to Exeter.

## THE WEEK-END

Our arrival at the hostel, which was to be our base for the week-end, caused much consternation amongst the management as 23 bicycles were manhandled into the cellars, and 23 hot and tired bellringers rushed to the nearest baths. After much hunting for matches and reading of instructions, hot water flowed freely, and what a transformation it produced. Were these people sitting down to an evening meal in their smart suits and pretty dresses, really the same ones who had cycled those hot and tiring 200 miles? Other members joined us for dinner.

In the president's absence, the Master took the chair at the usual meeting and thanks were given to the secretaries for organising such

an enjoyable tour and to Cyril for arranging the week-end towers around Exeter. Derek thanked Don Cobb for 'mastering' with such patience and efficiency, and it was decided to hold the annual reunion at Bath during the first week-end in February. The evening concluded with the traditional sing-song.

On Sunday, cyclists became drivers and we spent a happy day service ringing at Exeter Cathedral (where members rang a half-course of Cambridge Royal), Ottery St. Mary and on the wonderful ring at Tiverton.

The touring party consisted of Richard Fentiman, Rosemary Blyth, Fred Ellis, John Slater, Don Cobb, Sally Cobb, Mike Austin, Derek Astridge, Marilyn Gibbs, John Hayns, Diana Prynn, Roy Mills, Roy Ward, Stephen Wooller, Geraldine Piper, Roger Ashmore, Cathleen Heeney, Cynthia Edbrooke, Alan Ellesmore, Alan Luxford, Jennifer Smith, Valerie Mellish and Adrienne Gibson.

We all went our separate ways on Monday morning with memories of a most friendly and instructive holiday. The Society expresses its grateful thanks to incumbents and captains at the churches we visited, without whose co-operation the tour would not have been possible.

ADE and R. F.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

Mr. J. I. P. Davis, who for the last 35 years has been associated with the Wimborne Branch, resigned the post of hon. secretary, which he had held for ten years, when the annual general meeting was held at Poole on January 25th. Tributes to his work were paid by Mr. L. J. Lockyer (chairman) and Mr. A. D. Davis (chairman of the Christchurch Branch of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild). His resignation was due to pressure of work and he would no longer be free on a Saturday. Mrs. J. A. Robertson is the new hon. secretary.

Other officers for 1964 are: Messrs. L. J. Lockyer, chairman; C. E. Bishon, vice-chairman; H. I. Pitman and R. G. W. Robertson, Ringing Masters; C. Burt and G. W. Elmes, committee.

Provisional meeting programme: April 11th, Wimborne St. Giles and Cranborne; May 23rd, The Gussages; June 27th, Swanage; August 22nd, Kingston; September 26th, Canford Magna; annual general meeting, Wimborne.

The Guild Master, the Rev. R. N. Longridge, gave the address at the service conducted by the Rev. B. B. Bell (Rector). Mesdames Davis and True provided an excellent tea. Ringing was at St. James', Poole (10), afternoon and evening.



## CORRECTIONS

### to Complete Collection of Right-Place Surprise Major Methods

1. The following methods have not been rung to peals and should have some indication to this effect:—

0024 Westminster.	0696 Fakenham.
0232 Lyminge.	0730 Halcy.
0378 Wrexham.	0754 Abingdon.
0414 Hastings.	0784 Marsham.
0537 Grantham.	0793 Roane.
0565 Chelsfield.	0795 Staines.
0695 Speldhurst	0800 Auckland.

2. The following methods have only been rung in Spliced peals and should therefore have an asterisk:—

0559 Barnsbury.	0666 Scawthorpe.
	(This method is not named in the collection.)
0564 Cray.	3862 Framley.
0603 Thorne.	

3. The following methods have been rung to peals:—

0727 Sawley (Le 12).
0737 Digbeth (Le 12).
2123 Bottesford (Le 12).
3250 Grundisburgh (Le 18).
3731 Northamptonshire (Le 12).
3739 Ventnor (Le 12).
3848 Winchester (Le 12).

4. Campsall should be 3733, not 0186.

5. Billingborough should be 0714, not 4082.

6. Netherton is not the eighths place variation of Oxfordshire, 0792. It was an incorrect name for a peal of Oxfordshire and therefore does not exist.

7. 0818 (Le 18) should be named Knossington, not Shoreham, as it was renamed when rung to a peal.

8. 2788 Pisa is a seconds place method, not eighths.

9. 4113 Quinbury is a seconds place method, not eighths.

10. The following methods are incorrectly spelt—

0248 Harleston, not Harlestone.
0401 Countesthorpe, not Contesthorpe.
0739 Catesby, not Cattesby.
1052 Quedgeley, not Quedgley.
2052 Bournville, not Bourneville.
3744 Northill, not Northhill.
3843 Quornden, not Quernden.

11. The following methods, although not rung to a peal, were named as such in A. J. Corrigan's 1948 collection:—

3734 Dudley (Le 18).
3823 Loughton (Le 18).
4274 Bromley (Le 18).

(See also front page)

## TEN RINGERS WANTED FOR WASHINGTON DEDICATION

### Appeal for £1,000

The 'Times' of last Friday (January 31st) carried the following paragraph:—

#### 'BELL RINGERS APPEAL'

The Dean of Washington, the Very Rev. Francis B. Sayre, wants 10 first-class change ringers from Britain to ring the bells of Washington Cathedral on Ascension Day, May 7th, when the Cathedral's Gloria in Excelsis Tower is being dedicated. The reason is that the local band of enthusiasts in Washington are inexperienced and do not feel able to do justice to such an important occasion.

The Dean has so far raised \$1,600 towards the cost of flying the bell ringers from London. To help him to achieve his aim a British appeal with a target of £1,000 is being launched by Mr. Douglas Hughes, of the Whitechapel Bell Foundry, 32 and 34, Whitechapel Road, London, E.

This brought the Dean's wishes to the notice of the public before it had become known to ringers. This is understandable, because the task of financing this venture, which has been developing for some time, is a much greater problem than selecting 'ten first-class ringers.'

The question of selection is one about which the Dean spoke to me during his last visit here. He would like a representative band, and to this end left the matter in the hands of the Secretary of the Ancient Society of College Youths and myself.

No decision is however, likely, until the fund grows to a point where it would be safe to assume that the total cost is within reach. Mr. Wayne Dirksen, Associate Organist and Master of the Belfry, on behalf of the Dean, asked whether I might help to achieve this.

I feel that the ringing Exercise as a whole should feel proud that Dean Sayre has asked for a band from this country to take part in such an important domestic event in the history of Washington Cathedral.

I trust we shall not fail him for lack of financial support.—Yours sincerely,

DOUGLAS HUGHES.

Whitechapel Bell Foundry,  
London, E.1.

## LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION

### Monmouth Branch

Seventy ringers from 22 towers energetically used the fine ring of ten bells at Abergavenny on January 11th on the occasion of the Monmouth Branch annual general meeting. There was a warm welcome from the Vicar (Canon H. R. Sproule-Jones) at the Guild service, with Mr. Ron Ward, younger son of Mr. George Ward, the tower leader, as organist.

An excellent tea was provided by the Abergavenny ringers and served by their wives and friends. The Rev. Roy Hallet (Vicar of Caldicot) expressed the sincere thanks of the company. Mr. Ron Ward and the choir members were thanked by Mr. F. Hannington, and Mr. Jack James thanked the Vicar.

At the business meeting the secretary was re-elected and Mr. Jack James entered his second year of office as Master. New members were elected from Abergavenny, St. Woolos Cathedral, Rumney and Blaenavon. It was reported that Bassaleg bells were back in the tower and had been rung at Christmas. Progress was reported from Machen and Abergavenny. Surprise practices are to be arranged by Mr. W. Thompsett.

Meeting places for 1964: Llangattock—Vibon—Avel. Nash and Usk.

## ST. LEONARD'S, BILSTON

Possessors of Dove's Guide will know that the Church of St. Leonard, Bilston, Staffs, although with a ring of eight, has for a number of years, been without a fifth. In 1954, at a meeting held at the tower, the fifth was broken in the crown. A short while later the bell, minus a crown and fittings, was placed in its pit on two beams, while the headstock and clapper, still with the crown attached, were placed on the belfry floor, and this is where they have lain since.

The church has a long and interesting history, this being the third church on the site, and the inside of the present 'pepper box' tower incorporates part of the structure of the mediæval building. Hung in the old tower was a ring of four bells. One of these was bought by Sir Thomas de Erdington from the monks of Much Wenlock Abbey, where there was a bell foundry. It was inscribed:—

'I am called ye Curfew belle,  
I ryngen att VIII or more,  
Too sende ye alle too bedde,  
And waken ye up att IV.'

The bells, together with other church items, were later sold into lay hands during the reign of Edward VI and were never returned. In 1826–27 the enlargement of the church took place, and between that time and 1909 St. Leonard's had a ring by Rudhall and William Dobson, of Downham Market. In 1909 James Barwell recast the ring and hung it in the 1827 frame.

In 1929 the seventh was recast by Mears and Stainbank because it was cracked.

Sunday, November 10th, 1963, was St. St. Leonard's patronal service and during Evensong the recast fifth was dedicated. It was almost ten years since the bell was broken and now, once again, the octave is complete.

During the silence, after the prayers of dedication, the eight bells were rung in rounds for one minute by the teenage band. After the service the bells were kept going until 9 p.m. by visitors from Wolverhampton, Tettenhall, Penn. Coseley, Wednesbury, Aldridge and Lichfield Cathedral.

The new bell has been cast by Mears and Stainbank and is inscribed on the soundbow: 'Recast 1963. Mears, London.'

The bell was a gift from Mr. and Mrs. C. Legge, former parishioners, who now reside at Torquay.

Practice night is Friday and visitors are especially welcome. The secretary is Mr. John Wellings, 142, Bunkers Hill Lane, Bilston, Staffs. R. M. H.

## FIFTY YEARS A PRIEST

Canon H. A. Hayden, Vicar of Farnborough, Warwicks, has completed 50 years as a priest and the event was commemorated by a peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor on these bells on January 12th.

After service as a chaplain to the Australian Air Force in World War I, he went to St. Nicholas', Warwick, in 1923 as curate and was later Vicar. During his ministry it was his ambition to have the bells ringing again but the eight were silent until 1957, when it was decided to have the bells recast and rehung. The money came in quickly.

When he went to Farnborough he was faced with five bells very much out of tune and in a very bad condition. Dr. Corydon-Budge approached him as to a suitable memorial in the church to his wife. At the Canon's suggestion a new treble was added and the old five retuned and hung in a new frame. They are a very pleasant six and although the Canon left a good eight at Warwick he gets much pleasure from hearing Farnborough bells calling the local people to church every Sunday.

J. R. G. H.

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# Letters to the Editor

## Richard de Wymbisshe

Dear Sir,—May I offer one or two observations on C. W. Hancock's article about ancient London founders.

In the London of the 13th and 14th centuries, as now, the bellfounding area was to the east, taking in Aldgate and Portsoken Wards. It is in this area, in 1310, that the name Billiter Lane first appears. The word 'Billiter' is most likely a corruption of 'Bellitere,' a maker of bells. This name, coupled with the appearance of the surname, 'Campanarius' (bellfounder), for a Sheriff in Guildhall documents makes it highly likely that bellfounders were in existence by the end of the 13th century.

Concerning the family of Wymbish, we learn that they originated in the Essex village of the same name. There were four of them, Michael, Richard, Ralph and Walter, the last of whom dropped the 'de' from the surname.

Michael, the earliest, is mentioned in deeds dated 1297, and also 1310, when he appears to have died. There were two bells by him at Bradenham, Bucks, both inscribed in ornamented Gothic capitals:

† MICHAEL : DE : WYMBIS : ME : FECIT  
For all I know these bells may still exist. It seems that Michael is the earliest London founder of whom we have knowledge. Richard's career runs about parallel with Michael's, though he is a little later, around 1300–1313. There is no doubt as to his being a founder.

Ralph, the next in date, has left no evidence of his trade. No bell by him has as yet been located.

Walter presents a slight problem. It is perhaps possible that he is identifiable with one gentleman who was alive in 1287–8, but more likely he was the last of the family, as he styled himself plain 'Wymbish,' and not 'de Wymbish.' Only one bell by him is known to exist, at Kingston-by-Lewes, in Sussex. The lettering used is entirely different from that of his predecessors, indicating that he did not directly inherit the founding business.

Mentions of Wymbish will be found in as much detail as is known in 'Church Bells of Buckinghamshire' by A. H. Cox, and in 'Surrey bells and London Bellfounders' by J. C. L. Stahlschmidt. I believe Deedes and Walters' 'Church Bells of Essex' may possibly prove useful as a source, but I have not had time to verify this.

From the evidence available, it seems that this family is certainly the earliest known founding family in London.—Yours faithfully,  
LEICESTER. ROBERT E. HARDY.

## 'Others Might Follow'

Dear Sir,—By the absence of replies to the Vicar's letter in the issue of December 6th, it now seems that we are the only tower where visiting ringers forget the Belfry Fund! We have a slot in our tower door with 'Belfry Fund' written above it, but hardly ever do our visitors find it.

We nearly always meet and welcome visitors and they have their hour's ringing. While the Ringing Master is thanking us, the others rush out, not even signing the visitors' book. Despite this, non-ringing friends always find the box for church expenses.

Is it because our bells are not too good? It would be nice if we could hand to the P.C.C. a little towards the cost of ropes from the Belfry Fund. The Grundisburgh ringers are to be commended for giving as they did. A fine example.—Yours sincerely,

REG PELLETT.

Woodchurch, near Ashford.

## Yorkshire Tail Ends

Dear Sir,—The motto of Durham & Newcastle Association is 'Ars Incognita Contemnitur,' which, being interpreted, means 'An unknown art is despised,' and I suspect that this can be applied to much of what is written and said about tail ends.

I was brought up ringing on Yorkshire tail ends but do not claim to have any special preference, being quite happy when ringing either kind. In fact when I hear ringers saying that either kind is no good, I suspect that they have not properly acquired the art of handling a bell rope.

I suppose it is like eating peas. If your parents properly taught you the art of balancing them on a dinner knife, you should not have much difficulty in performing the same feat on a dessert knife.

I know of instances where towers have changed from Yorkshire tail ends to plain ends, not because of any handling difficulties but in order to save money, as the additional cost of a set of ropes with Yorkshire tail ends is considerable.

Undoubtedly Mr. Price is quite right when he says that the majority of ringers will agree that the Yorkshire tail end is useless, but I would hazard a guess that the majority of ringers have never seen the Yorkshire tail ends, let alone rung on them.—Yours faithfully,

F. HODGSON.

Darlington, Co. Durham.

## Burslem Delight and Union Doubles

Dear Sir,—In the last paragraph of his letter (page 36), Mr. Smith condones the disregard of Central Council Decisions. It would appear that his education in Leicester was incomplete. He failed to take note that if the Leicestershire ringers make a mistake about Method Extension they will admit it when their errors are pointed out, and comply with the requests of the Council. A worthy example.

Burslem is a respectable name and can well be used as Burslem Bob, Imperial, College, Court, Surprise, Exercise or Treble Bob Major. But Burslem Delight Minor does not extend. Therefore, no Burslem Delight Major.

The work of the Records Committee is difficult enough as it is, with the almost complete lack of co-operation shown by most Association secretaries, without making it harder by having to keep checking on the incorrect naming of so-called extensions. The work of the Methods Committee includes helping the Exercise in the correct interpretation of Council Decisions. Any non-compliance with the Decision on Method Extension is due to violation or ignorance. Both should be corrected immediately. Perhaps Mr. Smith favours a return to the jungle of approximate extensions.

Ob no longer stands; if he objects to Llanfair P.G. perhaps he would suggest a limit on the number of letters per name. Llanfangel-rhydeithon Surprise has already been named Guernsey Surprise Major.

The bob given in the 'Diary' for Union Doubles permits of 28 different extents. —Yours sincerely,

FRANK T. BLAGROVE.

## Society of Wessex Scholars

Dear Sir,—This Society was formed with every good intention and with the furtherance of the Objects of the Exercise in mind but it appears that many ringers are offended by its formation.

Although I am urged by many to continue this work I feel that in order to avoid further friction it may be a good thing to withdraw the project, at least temporarily. This I do with apologies to all those who have been offended. If the esteemed ex-secretary will condescend to return all the Society's documents and records to me I will refund all subscriptions to members who have joined the Society.

One good thing, at least, has come of our efforts. I personally have made many new friends, among which are many of those who have taken umbrage. To those I offer my thanks for their tolerance and understanding of my motives which, after all, were only to get the many silent towers ringing again. It is my earnest desire that all members of the Associations will go all out to do this. There is a difficult job ahead for all those who are able to tackle it but it is well worth doing and those undertaking it will be well rewarded by their efforts—and I do speak from experience.—Yours sincerely,

FRANK C. W. KNIGHT.

Winchester.

Note.—In view of Mr. Knight's decision, other correspondents' letters on this subject will not be published.—Ed.

## Edward Bilbie's Clocks

Dear Sir,—Recently I had the opportunity of examining a 30-hour clock made by Edward Bilbie. Chewstoke, unusual in design, built in a cage form with the hammer striking on the inside of the bell. I should appreciate any details about this clockmaker, who may have been connected with the bellfounders.—Yours faithfully,

W. F. MOXON.

## ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD SOCIETY

Despite wintry conditions, thanks to the hospitality of the Vicar, local ringers and friends of St. Paul's Church, Burton-on-Trent, a most successful meeting was held on January 18th. After ringing on the famous ten and holding the Society's form of Evensong, the party sat down to a fine tea provided by the ladies connected with the church.

A substantial list of new members was elected as follows:—W. Weston, C. W. Bowen, C. T. Collins (Lichfield Cathedral), the Misses M. Painter, V. Styles and S. Frost, Mrs. V. Gall, H. Hood and G. Wilson (Aldridge), P. G. K. Davies and M. McEvoy (Bilston), R. J. Lees and H. Butler (unattached), Miss J. Toon, Miss M. Woolley and M. Webster (Burton-on-Trent). Non-resident life members (confirmed): Miss C. Littlewood, R. J. Ballard, P. A. Halls, D. W. Parkin, N. Sherratt, D. Latham, W. Sherratt, G. A. Halls and K. Richards.

A striking competition in which ringing will be restricted to either Plain Bob Doubles (with cover) or Plain Bob Minor is to be held on April 11th at 3 p.m. (Tower to be announced later.)

The annual dinner will be held at Cannock on November 7th.

Next meeting: March 21st, possibly Bilston (not Church Eaton).

Thank you, Burton, for your welcome.

C. M. S.

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**SURREY ASSOCIATION****Southern District**

Interest was centred at the annual general meeting of the Southern District, held at Reigate on January 18th, on the election of District officers. After a ballot, Mr. T. Bird emerged as the new Ringing Master, replacing Mr. A. Streeter, who had held the office for four consecutive years.

In giving the programme of meetings, the secretary (Mr. G. West) announced the re-introduction of combined practices to assist struggling towers. These would be held at each tower concerned on the first practice night in two consecutive months, beginning in February.

The Rev. A. G. Tomblin conducted the service, there was an excellent tea and Mr. W. Parrott, Northern District secretary, called attention to the social evening at Christ Church, Epsom Common, on February 8th, and the striking competition at Ashted on April 25th. Methods rung ranged from Superlative Major to Grandsire Royal.

Next meeting: March 21st (quarterly), Dorking (8). K. G. S.

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION****Chesterfield District**

In spite of the bitterly cold weather the District's first meeting in the New Year, held at Staveley on January 11th, was attended by some 30 ringers from no less than 11 towers. Under the supervision of the District Ringing Master, Mr. A. Keller, the 18 cwt. octave was put to good use in quite a wide variety of methods before an excellent tea.

The Rev. D. Jenkins, who is himself a ringer, took the chair at the business meeting. The secretary (Mr. M. Phipps) reminded members that the two winning teams of the District would compete in the final of the Association's striking competition to be held at Horsely on May 30th.

Following the election of Miss Margaret Leigh as a member, Mr. J. Newman concluded the meeting with a comprehensive vote of thanks. Ringing took place until shortly after 9 p.m.

Next meeting: District outing to Association dinner on February 8th. M. P. P.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION****Lewisham District**

The Lewisham District was very fortunate in its choice of St. Mary's, Woolwich, for its quarterly meeting on January 25th, since no church could be better equipped for such a gathering. The galleries have been closed in and in one about 60 members and friends enjoyed an excellent tea, and they then had to walk only a few steps to the business meeting in the comfortable lounge on the opposite side of the church.

An hour and a half's ringing preceded the service, which was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. Nicholas Stacey), and the organ was played by Mr. John Portis.

New members from Greenwich, Lewisham and Woolwich were elected at a short business meeting, at which Mr. A. G. Hill took the chair. This was followed by a return to the beiry for further ringing under the leadership of Mr. D. Manger, Ringing Master. M. R.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD****Central Branch**

After an absence of seven years the annual general meeting of the Central Branch was held at Harmston on January 11th, a fact commented upon by the Vicar in his welcome. There was a good attendance with visitors from as far afield as Worcester.

After tea Mr. J. Freeman presided over the business meeting. The secretary presented the accounts and commented on unpaid subscriptions for previous years. Officers elected included: President, Canon M. H. R. Syngé; chairman, Mr. J. Freeman; Ringing Master, Mr. J. L. Millhouse; secretary-treasurer, Mr. S. A. Chambers. Towers for meetings in 1964 were agreed upon at Nocton, Ewerby, Eagle, Welton and Dunholme, and the annual meeting at St. Giles', Lincoln, in January, 1965.

The meeting agreed to support a contribution towards Lincoln Cathedral Restoration Fund. Members stood in silence as a mark of respect to Mr. J. Cragg, of Caythorpe, a foundation member.

Ringing in the tower in the evening included Spliced Surprise Major. S. A. C.

**Elloe Deaneries Branch**

The Branch president, the Rev. D. Graham Jakeman, conducted the service at the annual general meeting of the Elloe Deaneries Branch at Spalding on January 11th. Ringing also took place at Fulney. Lady ringers served an excellent tea to some 50 members.

The officers of the Branch were re-elected and the meeting programme adopted, including the cricket match/ringing festival (details to be published later). London Surprise Major and Oxford Bob Triples were among methods rung. D. J. J.

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD****Portsmouth District**

The annual meeting of the Portsmouth District was held at Portsmouth Cathedral on January 11th and was attended by 35 members and friends representing the majority of the District towers. The service was conducted by Canon E. S. C. Lowman, after which tea was served in the Cathedral House.

For the business meeting the District chairman, Mr. H. A. Nobes, presided. New members elected were:—Ringing: P. R. Denton (Portsea), Cdr. M. Laborda and T. Green (Curdrige), the Misses M. Washington, B. Curtis and S. Prickett (Alverstoke). Compounding: A. R. Andrews (Colchester), A. R. Baldock (Eastbourne), A. R. Bridges (Ipswich), A. R. Millidge (Putney), Joan Beresford, P. Beresford and D. Beresford (Dartford), Claudia and William Critchley (Knebworth), J. Hill (Uxbridge).

Towards the cost of rehanging Tichfield bells it was agreed to send a donation of two guineas.

Practice meetings are to be continued during 1964, the next being at Curdrige on February 22nd from 2.30 till 5.30 p.m. Votes of thanks were passed to Canon Lowman and the Cathedral authorities.

Next annual meeting, Portsea, February 6th, 1965. L. D. D.

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD****Bingham District**

All the young members were provided with a free tea when the Bingham District held its annual meeting, appropriately at All Saints', Bingham. A company of 50 sat down after a shortened Evensong conducted by the Rector (the Rev. H. A. Kirtton).

At the business meeting a minute's silence was observed for those who had died during the year—Canon Wilkinson (late chairman), Messrs. Bramble (Oxton) and Simpson (Cotgrave).

The secretary was pleased to report regular Sunday ringing and progress in over 75 per cent. of the District towers. Membership had increased to 89 and elected at the meeting were Messrs. N. Ogle, P. Ogle, R. Sentance, J. Smith and Miss K. Smith (Cotgrave).

Officers elected were: Mr. D. Clarke, chairman; Miss R. Blackman, secretary; Mr. N. W. Harrison, Ringing Master; Mr. B. Buswell, Deputy Ringing Master; Mr. H. Hanson, committee.

Mrs. Bradley proposed that a record be kept of any progress of ringing in the District and suggested that the new methods for the meeting at Willoughby-on-the-Wolds on February 8th be St. Hilary's Bob and New Bob.

The Rev. J. Pickworth Hutchinson has resigned as padre and is succeeded by the Rev. F. W. Stepherni, of Cotgrave. R. B.

**Newark District**

Brightest facts of the secretary's report, presented at the annual meeting of the Newark District on January 18th at Newark, were the re-forming of bands at two towers and that most of the bells were in good condition. Five new ringing members were elected—three from Southwell and two from Newark.

District officers elected were: Chairman, Mr. F. W. Midwinter; hon. secretary, Mrs. C. W. Reed; Ringing Masters, Mr. A. E. Chilton and Mr. J. Pratchett; committee member, Miss G. Burchnell. The vote of thanks included the curate (the Rev. Mr. Stone) for taking the service, and the ladies for preparing tea. The recently inducted Vicar, the Rev. E. J. Kingsnorth, was elected a vice-president.

Most of the ringing was on a 10-bell basis, and visitors from Leicester and Cheshire were welcomed.

**OBITUARY****MR. ELI VINCENT**

The Swindon Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association has lost one of its older members. Mr. Eli Vincent passed away in St. Margaret's Hospital, Stratton St. Margaret, on January 20th.

Eli, who was in his 79th year, joined the band at St. Mark's, Swindon, in 1933, when he was made a member of the Association. In 1947 he joined the band at Christ Church, Swindon, and was a regular Sunday service ringer there until a few weeks before his death.

The funeral took place at Christ Church on January 23rd and, after the committal, 1,299 Stedman Caters was rung half-muffled to his memory by: R. Bladon 1, Miss S. Little 2, M. D. Penney 3, W. W. T. Daniell 4, W. H. Trueman 5, A. R. Peake 6, R. E. G. Luton 7, M. Stanley 8, E. Sutton (cond.) 9, R. J. Drewett (10).

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## HALF PEAL

**SCALBY, YORKS.**—On Jan. 11th, 3,600 Plain Bob Minor: G. Beach 1, W. Fay 2, E. King 3, M. King 4, S. Wright 5, B. Sutton (cond.) 6.

## DATE TOUCH

**PRESTBURY, GLOS.**—On Dec. 29th, 1,963 (Rev. Canterbury, St. Simon's, St. Martin's, Plain Bob, Stedman spliced with Southrepps): Miss M. Jackson 1, Miss W. Bird 2, Miss A. Sadowska 3, H. K. Nichols (comp. and cond.) 4, R. F. Dowdswell 5, M. L. Maggs 6.

**ADELAIDE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA.**—On Jan. 19th, at St. Peter's Cathedral, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (the front six): J. O. Goulter 1, Jenny Lees (first of Minor) 2, W. B. Pitcher (50th quarter) 3, B. R. Cox 4, D. J. Bleby 5, R. K. Russ (first of Minor as cond.) 6. Rung for Evensong, and the visit of Jenny Lees and Patricia Locke from Perth, W.A.

**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. Rayfield 1, E. G. H. Godfrey 2, Margaret C. Godfrey 3, P. J. Milton 4, A. M. Macve (cond.) 5, C. H. Macve 6. For Evensong. Also on Jan. 19th, 1,440 Ipswich Surprise Minor: Carol Cousins 1, Margaret C. Godfrey 2, P. J. Milton 3, E. G. H. Godfrey 4, C. H. Macve 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6. First in method 1, 3 and 5.

**ALWALTON, HUNTS.**—On Jan. 6th, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury and April Day): Miss M. Saville 1, G. Davis 2, A. Waller 3, B. Brauston 4, R. W. Spencer (cond.) 5. Rung to mark the 83rd birthday of Dr. C. J. Grimes, Honorary Rector of this parish.

**ARLECDON, CUMB.**—On Jan. 25th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: J. D. Umpleby 1, Miss M. E. Pearson 2, A. J. Dunn 3, R. Weichenhall 4, S. Richardson 5, B. Street 6, G. McKay 7, L. Boumphrey (cond.) 8. Rung after a peal attempt for the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul.

**BALDOCK, HERTS.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,280 Kent T.B. Major: L. Scoot 1, E. Buck (cond.) 2, M. Orme 3, S. Hutton (first of T.B.) 4, L. Hughes 5, J. Dear 6, P. Flack 7, C. Harwood 8.

**BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.**—On Jan. 21st, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss L. Doone 1, Miss B. Fisher 2, Miss H. Copperthwaite (first quarter in two methods) 3, W. R. Chandler 4, R. J. Brown (cond.) 5. Rung to celebrate the golden jubilee of the Diocese of Chelmsford, founded Jan. 21st, 1914.

**BEXHILL-ON-SEA, SUSSEX.**—On January 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Vale (first 'away' from cover) 1, J. M. Swift (25th quarter) 2, Mrs. D. J. Verdon 3, J. Carr 4, A. J. Hicks (cond.) 5, C. F. Pilbeam 6. For Evensong and a farewell to the Rev. R. O. Stroud, senior Curate.

**BLAYDON ON TYNE, CO. DURHAM.**—On Jan. 1st, 1,440 Minor (Double Oxford and Single Oxford): W. Davidson (first of Minor) 1, J. Crowther 2, R. A. Yeates 3, M. Armstrong 4, M. Maughan (cond.) 5, F. Ross 6.

**BLEWBURY, BERKS.**—On Jan. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Corderoy 1, R. B. Blond (cond.) 2, H. W. Dunsden 3, H. Wells 4, A. R. T. Greenough 5, E. J. Grace 6, C. Corderoy 7, P. Corderoy 8. During Christian Unity Week for united Anglican/Methodist Evensong.

**BURTON, HANTS.**—On Jan. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: N. Martin (first quarter) 1, Mary White 2, K. Sansom (cond.) 3, K. Tipper 4, D. White 5, A. Mariner 6.

**CARDIFF.**—At St. John's Church on Jan. 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (tenor covering): Sally Behenna (first quarter) 1, Gwen Bidgood 2, Mrs. L. Taylor 3, N. Crowther 4, T. Yeomans 5, J. Pryor (cond.) 6, Mary Pryor 8.

**CRANFIELD, BEDS.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles (four callings): Dawn Weller 1, D. R. Manton 2, Elizabeth Manton 3, D. W. Manton (first as cond.) 4, G. Holman 5. First quarter 1, 3 and 5. Before Communion service.

**CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.**—On Jan. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Raine (first quarter) 1, Miss R. Stevens 2, S. Upton 3, J. Herbecq 4, J. Jeffery 5, H. Burton (first of Grandsire) 6, R. V. Johnson (cond.) 7, E. Brett 8. For Evensong.

**CURRY RIVELL, SOMERSET.**—On Jan. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Burge 1, T. Locke 2, J. White 3, G. Gaylard 4, A. Dyer 5, G. Morris 6, H. Gaylard (cond.) 7, R. Beale 8. A birthday compliment to the conductor.

**DISS, NORFOLK.**—On Jan. 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: L. E. Last 1, Betty M. Butler (first on eight) 2, F. C. Roper 3, A. G. Harrison 4, C. Catchpole 5, E. G. H. Maynard 6, H. B. Fuller (cond.) 7, H. Hines 8. Rung for the Sung Eucharist and in appreciation of the many years' service as Ringing Master at Diss of Mr. Harry Moss, who retired at the end of 1963.

## QUARTER PEALS

**DUBLIN, EIRE.**—At St. Patrick's Cathedral on Jan. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. Bro. T. H. Wilson (P.M. Lodge 212) 1, Bro. R. I. George (S.W. 426) 2, W. Bro. W. T. Farrell (P.M. 410) 3, W. Bro. H. W. Jones (P.M. 600, 504) 4, W. Bro. C. J. Reece (P.M. 504) 5, W. Bro. F. E. Dukes (P.M. 72) (cond.) 6, W. Bro. J. A. Atkinson (P.M. 153) 7, W. Bro. J. M. Magill (P.M. 415) 8. Rung by the Society of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Ireland to mark the installation in 1963 as W.M.'s of their respective Lodges of W. Bro. E. G. Buchanan (P.M. 141) and W. Bro. H. W. Jones (P.M. 600).

**EPSOM COMMON, SURREY.**—On Jan. 25th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Adrienne Gibson 1, Sally Parrott 2, W. Parrott (first of Surprise as cond.) 3, Sylvia Marsh 4, D. Herschell 5, J. Munton 6. To mark the week of prayer for Church Unity.

**FARNBOROUGH, HANTS.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Warkworth Surprise Minor: Jessie M. Kippin 1, P. J. Joyce 2, D. P. Treble 3, V. M. Cox 4, W. I. Couperthwaite 5, R. C. Kippin (cond.) 6. First in method by all the band.

**FELPHAM, SUSSEX.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Wake 1, Anne M. Smith (first 'inside') 2, Mrs. I. L. Wake 3, P. Stevens 4, M. J. Wake (first as cond.) 5, P. M. Wills (first quarter) 6. For Evensong.

**FROME, SOMERSET.**—On Jan. 19th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: D. G. Massey 1, Frances M. Massey 2, Eunice D. Overend 3, A. Payne 4, R. E. J. Baker 5, D. T. H. Robertson 6, G. W. Massey (cond.) 7, H. Vennell 8. For Evensong.

**GOLDHANGER, ESSEX.**—On Jan. 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob and Kent Minor: G. Emeney 1, C. Southgate 2, B. C. Mann (cond.) 3, T. White 4, W. White 5, H. R. Appleton 6. For the Diocesan jubilee.

**GOSFORTH, NORTHUMB.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: P. C. Egerton-Shears (first 'away' from tenor) 1, Miss J. Walker (first 'inside') 2, Miss G. Douglas 3, D. Hinchcliffe (first quarter) 4, A. G. Craddock (cond.) 5, J. Bell (first quarter) 6. For Evensong and as a farewell to ringer of fourth who is joining the Merchant Navy.

**GREAT BROMLEY, ESSEX.**—On Jan. 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mary E. Gould (first quarter) 1, Janet M. Semken 2, A. W. Cole 3, T. Cole 4, F. H. Erith 5, A. G. Semken (cond.) 6.

**GREAT TOTHAM, ESSEX.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. Mann 1, G. W. Barber 2, Maureen Barber 3, W. Mills 4, E. J. Shynn 5, I. R. Panton (cond.) 6. Birthday compliments to C. Mann and G. W. Barber.

**HANLEY CASTLE, WORCS.**—On Jan. 10th, 1,260 Little Aston Bob Doubles: Joan Gainey 1, C. Haylings 2, M. Hawkes (cond.) 3, B. Spiers 4, A. Halling 5, J. Mead (first quarter) 6. First in this variation by all the band.

**HARPENDEN, HERTS.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. L. Summerlin 1, A. Day (cond.) 2, Miss N. Thomas 3, Mrs. L. G. Coburn 4, R. Flanagan 5, J. D. Painter 6, F. C. Jacklin 7, A. Wilby 8. For Evensong, and as a compliment to Mr. H. C. Williamson (churchwarden) who received an M.B.E. in the New Year Honours List.

**HASTINGS, SUSSEX.**—At Christ Church, Blacklands, on Jan. 11th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: C. A. Levett 1, J. Downing 2, Joan M. Downing 3, S. F. Buckland 4, A. Jackson 5, I. V. J. Smith 6, E. F. P. Bryant (cond.) 7, G. Standen (first of Stedman) 8. Twenty-fifth together for 5 and 6. A 21st birthday compliment to the conductor; also to other members of the local band.

**HEIGHINGTON, DARLINGTON.**—On Jan. 22nd, 1,272 Minor (Kent and Kent and Oxford comb.): J. Robinson 1, W. Thompson 2, E. Jackson (cond.) 3, R. Bowser 4, J. Schofield 5, E. Thompson 6. First quarter in the method by all the band. First on church bells as conductor, Rung as a 79th birthday compliment to the conductor's mother.

**HELMDON, NORTHANTS.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Minor (Kent and Plain Bob): A. R. Wills 1, W. J. Chester 2, Mrs. G. Shellard 3, M. Saunders 4, R. T. Somerton (cond.) 5, G. Shellard 6. For Evensong. Also as a compliment to A. R. Wills on his engagement to Miss G. M. Davies.

**HIGHCLERE, HANTS.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,440 Plain Bob Major: B. Murdick 1, D. Murdick 2, J. Pares 3, E. Cox 4, C. Butler 5, G. Weston 6, G. K. Dodd 7, P. Murdick (cond.) 8.

**HODNET, SHROPSHIRE.**—On Dec. 13th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: M. Cotton 1, F. Beech, Jr. 2, I. Friend 3, M. Roden 4, P. Morris 5, F. Morrall 6, R. Morris 7, G. Morrall (first as cond.) 8. First of Major 1, 4, 6 and 8.

**HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.**—On Jan. 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Jill Smith (first quarter) 1, R. Hazell 2, Joyce Barton 3, D. Cornwall 4, A. Newton 5, B. Forest 6, R. Biggs (cond.) 7, R. Newton 8. A compliment to Joyce Barton and D. Cornwall, also to Jill Smith and R. Hazell upon their engagements.

**ITCHINGFIELD, SUSSEX.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss E. M. Hoare (first quarter) 1, Mrs. C. M. Godfrey 2, E. M. Godfrey 3, M. A. Richardson 4, J. Nelson (cond.) 5. For Matins.

**KILDOWN, KENT.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Waghorn 1, F. Pattenden 2, R. T. Lambert 3, R. E. Lambert 4, M. R. T. Lambert 5, R. Dengate 6. For Evensong.

**LANCHESTER, DURHAM.**—On Dec. 15th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Thomson 1, H. P. Thompson (cond.) 2, Miss L. Moore (first 'inside') 3, A. Walker 4, D. Appleton 5, R. Ellaway 6. For Evensong. Also on Jan. 19th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Tonks 1, A. Walker 2, Miss L. Moore 3, D. Appleton 4, H. P. Thompson (cond.) 5, J. Thomson 6. For Evensong.

**LEYTONSTONE.**—On Jan. 21st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: C. Willmington 1, Mrs. R. Deal 2, Miss E. Birmingham (first in method) 3, Miss P. Fox 4, C. Hughes 5, J. Crampion (cond.) 6, A. White 8. Rung for Holy Communion service to commemorate the golden jubilee of the Diocese of Chelmsford.

**LILLINGTON, WARWICKS.**—On Jan. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: K. F. Gardner 1, A. C. Morris 2, Wendy Bird 3, R. G. Morris 4, J. P. Unsworth 5, I. C. Maycock (cond.) 6, R. E. Tallis, Jr. 7, D. Allibon 8. A wedding anniversary compliment to the Rev. and Mrs. W. Llewellyn-George.

**LITTLE ASTON, STAFFS.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: D. W. Barr 1, Miss C. M. Follis (first of Surprise 'inside') 2, Miss D. K. Moore 3, Miss M. C. Smith 4, M. W. Fairley 5, S. C. Walters (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**LITTLEHAM, DEVON.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. West (first quarter) 1, C. Deem (cond.) 2, P. Gatter 3, J. Gatter 4, F. Williams 5, H. West 6. For Evensong.

**LYDD, KENT.**—On Jan. 22nd, 1,344 Yorkshire Surprise Major: Maisie Vantom 1, Violet Relf 2, Elizabeth Stewart 3, J. V. Richards 4, W. W. Ring (cond.) 5, G. Stewart 6, R. Swift 7, M. W. Marshall 8. A 53rd birthday compliment to Bob Swift.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): A. Neilson 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, Myrtle Cook 3, H. P. Yates 4, R. P. Brotherton (cond.) 5, A. Lamb 6. For Evensong and a welcome to the tenor ringer back from Tripoli.

**LYONSHALL, HEREFORDS.**—On Jan. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: T. Pugh 1, B. Giddings 2, Mrs. E. Chandler 3, T. Bound 4, R. Preece (cond.) 5, J. Wilce 6. An 80th birthday compliment to Mrs. L. Jarman, a staunch church worker.

**MILDENHALL, WILTS.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. H. Stanning 1, R. Garratt (first quarter) 2, R. H. Green 3, A. W. Johnson (cond.) 4, R. A. Inglis 5.

**NAILSEA, SOMERSET.**—On Jan. 21st, 1,272 Kent T.B. Minor: G. Skelly 1, B. Williams 2, S. Lewis 3, J. Brain 4, L. Derrick 5, C. Kortright (cond.) 6. First of Kent by all except 4 and 5.

**RIPPLE, WORCS.**—On Jan. 25th, 1,440 Duke of Norfolk Treble Bob Minor: C. Haylings 1, F. Hawkes 2, F. Lawrence 3, D. Price (cond.) 4, M. Hawkes 5, J. Clements 6. First in method by all.

**RUSHDEN, NORTHANTS.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Ann Newbury 1, B. Whitworth 2, Brenda Dixon 3, S. Hodakins 4, L. Priestley 5, R. Coley (first as cond.) 6, J. Clifton 7, A. Gibbs 8. For Evensong.

**ST. IVES, HUNTS.**—On Jan. 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: J. P. Stocker 1, G. Nicholls 2, W. O. Noble 3, H. S. Peacock 4, F. R. Nicholls 5, L. G. Cowley 6, L. W. Fisher (cond.) 7, S. Clements 8. Rung to commemorate Langley's Day Charity with half-muffled clappers.

**SELBY ABBEY, YORKS.**—On Jan. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Siegall 1, T. H. Foster 2, D. Whitehead 3, Miss J. Hingley 4, A. Grundy (cond.) 5, C. Brown 6. Also on Jan. 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss E. Grice 1, A. Grundy 2, Miss M. Whitehead 3, D. Whitehead 4, R. R. Warford (cond.) 5, D. Swan 6. For Evensong.

**SEVENOAKS, KENT.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: Judith M. Corby (first of Major) 1, Isabel M. Pearce (first of Surprise) 2, Mrs. P. A. Corby 3, Patricia E. Buss 4, Janet H. Buss 5, A. J. Corby (cond.) 6, Doris E. Colgate 7, P. A. Corby 8. For Evensong.

**SWANMORE, HANTS.**—At the Church of St. Barnabas on Jan. 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. Smith 1, C. Bassett (first 'inside' and cond.) 2, P. Page 3, R. Green (first quarter 'inside') 4, R. Sherwood 5, J. Stanning (first quarter) 6. For Evensong.



**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**

More than 50 ringers attended the Chertsey District A.G.M. held in the beautifully restored church of St. Peter, Chertsey, on January 11th. A warm welcome was given by the Vicar, the Rev. G. S. Archibald, who conducted the service and preached on the Epiphany theme.

After an excellent tea prepared and served by the local ringers, the Vicar took the chair for the business meeting. In his report, the District Ringing Master (Mr. F. E. Hawthorne) said it had been a difficult year for the new officers taking over, especially in arranging meetings. He questioned the wisdom of all three officers coming from the same tower.

The District secretary (Mr. R. Capron) reported a drop of about 25 in membership, probably due to subscription arrears. Attendance at meetings was down by an average of about 14.

Meetings for 1964 were proposed at Esher, Old Woking, Send and Ockham, Thames Ditton, Weybridge and Chobham, with 1965 A.G.M. at Hersham.

The District officers were all declared re-elected. Mr. D. G. Blows was elected auditor in place of Mr. W. Shepherd, who wished to retire. He was thanked for his work by Mr. Hawthorne.

R. C.

**OPENING EVENING AT DARLINGTON**

More than 35 visitors crowded into the belfry of St. Cuthbert's, Darlington, when the ringers held an open evening on January 20th. They were taken in parties to watch a bell being raised and lowered—and a special trip up the ladder was made by some of the choirboys, who wanted to be in the bell chamber when the tenor was chimed. The tower captain, Mr. T. Cooke, was in charge of the sightseers.

A brief explanation of change ringing by Mr. Fred Hodgson preceded a demonstration, and the visitors were also able to see a new recruit being taught.

The Vicar, Canon Peter N. Wansey, thanked the ringers for an interesting evening, and afterwards the ringers and their wives were entertained at the Vicarage.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION****Northern District**

The Northern District at its annual meeting held at Coggeshall on January 11th decided to ask the Essex Association to consider changing its name to the Chelmsford Diocesan Guild. This was felt to be necessary and desirable in view of the changing boundaries of the county.

Mr. R. Suckling who presided, was re-elected District Master, Mr. Peter Wood was elected secretary and Messrs. R. Syder and R. Lindsell appointed committee members.

The next District meeting will be at Gestingthorpe, and it was decided to proceed with arrangements for the striking competition with Mr. T. Bird as M.C. and Miss H. Snowden and Mr. L. Mills as judges.

The Vicar (the Rev. L. W. Davey), who conducted the service, welcomed the ringers and said he was sure they would enjoy themselves, as Coggeshall had one of the best octaves in Essex.

A slight drop in membership from 179 to 167 was reported by the hon. secretary. The rededication of Kelvedon bells by the Bishop of Colchester will take place on February 15th. Thanks were expressed to all who helped to make the meeting such a success.

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE****Western District**

When the Western District met at Blackhill on January 18th they were pleased to find that the ringing chamber at St. Aidan's had been renovated with a new lighting system and the church had just installed a new heating system. During the afternoon ringing ranged from rounds to Surprise methods.

After service and tea, another variation of Surprise took place. Mr. W. Tyson, vice-president of the Western District, made a presentation of three bellringers' ties to Mr. C. Lamb, who had recently retired after three years of excellent and conscientious service to the Western District. Members present showed their appreciation of Mr. Lamb's work by hearty applause.

H. P. T.

**MORE BELFRY GOSSIP**

Mr. A. N. Stubbs is still living at 29, Sutherland Place, London, W.2.

Regarding the peal of Minor rung at Collingham, Yorks ((see page 49), Mr. P. Bishop, of 12, Worple Avenue, London, S.W.19, asks for the notation of 'Southrepps Minor'.

After holding their annual general meeting for the past 30 years at Ranmoor, the Sheffield and District Society have decided this year to meet at Roitham on March 7th. New sound control now operates in this tower and the ringing room has been repainted and new linoleum fitted.

**LEADING PEAL RINGERS****Supplementary List**

	Tower	Hand Total
P. Meyhew	52 (3)	52
Edward W. Colley	50 (1)	50
Philip P. Rothera	27	27

Mr. Neil Bennett rang 101 tower bell peals, and not 100 as stated in our last issue. His total was 113.

Mr. L. Bournemouth informs us that the dearth of peals in Cumberland during 1963 was not due to any inactivity. 'We are now concentrating on higher things,' he writes, 'which is difficult with so few ringers and bells, but eventually, our efforts will be crowned with success.'

It was proposed to ring a peal for the 83rd birthday of Dr. C. J. Grimes, honorary Rector of Alwalton, Hunts, on January 6th. He was much distressed when an irate and abusive neighbour demanded that he should stop the ringing after about an hour. Dr. Grimes' final comment was that next year he will be 84 and would the ringers please then try again.

'What sort of mess would the ringing Exercise be in today if we had no Central Council to guide us,' asks Editor F. E. Dukes in the Editorial of the current issue of 'Irish Bell News'. 'Would we have only one name for each method? Would we have true peals only being rung and would we have the invaluable knowledge which appears in the Council's publications?' Annual subscription to 'Irish Bell News' 2s. 6d.

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Before a united Anglican-  
Methodist service at St.  
Michael and All Angels'  
Church at Blewbury a quarter peal of Grand-  
sire Triples was rung. The ringers included  
Mr. Harold W. Dunsden, who has been a  
Methodist all the 30 years he has been ringing  
at Blewbury.

The Rev. A. Clayton rang the fourth bell  
in the quarter peal at Wollaston reported on  
page 58.

Norman Mallett, of Heavitree, Exeter, has  
now completed Stedman from Doubles to  
Cinques.

The quarter peal at Sopley, Hants (page 78),  
was the first in two methods for R. W.  
Young, and not for the ringer of second.

An in memoriam handbell peal of Stedman  
Caters was rung by Cambridge University  
Guild to Mr. James Butler, who was Master  
1914-15 and 1919-20.

The six bells at Kelvedon, Essex, have had  
their canons removed and have been rehung  
on ball bearings, complete with new head-  
stocks, wheels, fittings, etc., by Messrs. Mears  
and Stainbank. The company thank all who  
helped to 'raise the necessary.'

Mr. J. Segar, of 16, Green Lane, Skegness,  
has received many appreciative letters con-  
cerning his table of 360 Major courses. One  
reader writes: 'The article in the "R.W." is  
the best published for a long while. Many  
thanks.'

As a compliment to Mr. C. Glass on his 90th  
birthday, a quarter peal of Grand sire Triples  
was rung on the back eight of Exeter Cath-  
edral bells on January 26th. For 50 years Mr.  
Glass rang at the Cathedral and he was  
Ringing Master for 13 years.

Ringing in a 720 at Goldhanger, Essex, on  
January 23rd to mark his 78th birthday, was  
Mr. Arthur Appleton. He is the last of the  
band still able to ring which, under the late  
Mr. J. D. Buckingham, started change ringing  
at Goldhanger.

For the past three years a Ringers' Sunday  
has been held at St. Peter's, Weston Favell,  
Northampton. One was held on January 19th  
(following St. Anthony's Day), when hymns  
for bellringers composed by the tower cap-  
tain (Mr. P. Amos) were sung.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

After 10 happy years as  
secretary of the Northern Dis-  
trict, Surrey Association, Mr.  
W. Parrott has retired. His successor is Mr.  
Nigel Steere, whose late father, Mr. G. W.  
Steere, was for many years secretary of the  
Society of Royal Cumberland Youths.

We regret to learn that Mr. Robin G.  
Leale has had to go into hospital.

The peal at Greasley on November 30th  
(page 67) was dedicated to the Society of  
Sherwood Youths. The conductor sends his  
apologies.

St. Polycarp Doubles is a new 'Saints' peal.  
It was first rung on the day of this Saint's  
Festival (January 26th). A convert of St. John  
the Divine, he was martyred at the age of  
86.

The 50th anniversary of the first peal of  
Surprise Minor in the Oxford Diocese was  
commemorated on January 24th in the same  
church, Calverton. The same methods were  
also rung, viz: Canterbury, Chester, York,  
London, Wells, Beverley and Cambridge.

It was never intended to ring the peal of  
Minor at St. Peter's, Leeds, on January 22nd.  
The fog descended and the transport did not  
get through in time to get the party to Kirk  
Deighton, where it was supposed to have  
been rung.

Although Mr. Ernest Denby is a driving  
instructor and approaching 60 years of age,  
this did not deter him from becoming a pupil  
in the art of bellringing at Mansfield just  
over two years ago. Now that he has rung  
his first quarter peal, at Morton on January  
10th, we hope that he feels 'competent to  
ring' and that he will go on to ring his first  
peal and so 'pass his test.'

A wide circle of Lancashire friends will join  
in congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Albert Green-  
halgh on their silver wedding. The occasion  
was honoured by a peal at Farnworth. Albert  
is one of those ringers whose names never  
appear in the annual list, but he has been the  
backbone of his own tower for 30 years and  
has trained dozens of learners in that time.  
For service ringing and practice he is as  
regular as a clock.

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GEOFFREY DODDS .. .. 3	THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 9
*JULIA FELLOWS .. .. 4	C. MICHAEL ORME .. .. 10
WILLIAM S. DEASON .. .. 5	GERALD PENNEY .. .. 11
PATRICIA DOORN .. .. 6	MICHAEL D. FROST .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHAS. J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by WILLIAM J. ARNOLD.  
\* First peal on 12 bells.

Rung to welcome Canon N. M. Kennaby, who this day was installed as Dean and Rector of St. Albans Cathedral.

**TEN BELL PEALS**

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
*On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. in D flat.

LEONARD STILWELL .. Treble	EDGAR R. RALEY .. .. 6
ALBERT DISERENS .. .. 2	FRANK W. LEWIS .. .. 7
JAMES R. TAYLOR .. .. 3	JOHN N. DISERENS .. .. 8
JENNIFFER M. TAYLOR .. .. 4	RONALD F. DISERENS .. .. 9
PATRICIA DISERENS .. .. 5	NOEL J. DISERENS .. .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM PYE. Conducted by RONALD F. DISERENS.

LICHFIELD, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.  
*On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,*  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY AND ST. CHAD.

**A PEAL OF 5021 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Tenor 31 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb. in D.

*†D. KAY MOORE .. Treble	JOHN H. ALLEN .. .. 6
*†MARILYN SMITH .. .. 2	BERNARD J. TOWNSEND .. 7
LUCY SMITH .. .. 3	EDMUND MALIN .. .. 8
†MARLENE E. TOWNSEND .. 4	CLIVE M. SMITH .. .. 9
BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. 5	*LESLIE MONK .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

\* First peal on ten bells. † First in the method.  
Rung with the best wishes of the band to Michael Elson (of the Cathedral band) and Miss Joan Wall on the occasion of their marriage earlier in the day at St. Chad's Church, Lichfield.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS**

WARMINSTER, WILTSHIRE.  
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.  
*On Thurs., Dec. 26, 1963, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,*  
AT THE MINSTER CHURCH OF ST. DENYS.

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 26 cwt. in D.

EDGAR C. SHEPHERD .. Treble	FRANK L. HARRIS .. .. 5
*NORMAN G. KNEE .. .. 2	RAYMOND HAINES .. .. 6
GEORGE MASSEY .. .. 3	LEWIS F. COBB .. .. 7
WILLIAM A. THEOBALD .. 4	RONALD N. MARLOW .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by WILLIAM A. THEOBALD.  
\* First peal of Surprise Major.

MOTTRAM-IN-LONGDENDALE, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

*On Sat., Dec. 28, 1963, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

**A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt.

PETER DALE .. .. Treble	DEREK A. ASHTON .. .. 5
IVOR JENKINS .. .. 2	JOHN ROBINSON .. .. 6
*ANTHONY SANSOM .. .. 3	DENIS MOTTERSHEAD .. .. 7
SIDNEY HOUGH, JUN. .. 4	F. JOHN NELSON .. .. Tenor

Composed by P. G. K. DAVIES.

\* First peal in the method.

Conducted by F. JOHN NELSON.

BEXHILL, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

*On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES**

Tenor 12 cwt. 14 lb. in G.

*ROBERT J. FULLER .. Treble	EDWIN BROMLEY .. .. 5
†KEITH G. GAME .. .. 2	§ALAN R. BALDOCK .. .. 6
FREDERICK J. LAMBERT .. 3	§IAN V. J. SMITH .. .. 7
†COLIN H. COOK .. .. 4	§THOS. M. BARLOW .. .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY HUBBARD.

Conducted by IAN V. J. SMITH.

\* First peal on eight bells.

† First of Triples. ‡ First 'inside.'

§ First of Plain Bob Triples.

SHIFNAL, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION

*On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

**A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES**

Parker's Six-Part (No. 13).

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.

*†DAVID R. HAWKSWORTH Treble	†CYRIL GRIFFITHS .. .. 5
E. MARION KEY .. .. 2	EDWARD V. RODENHURST .. 6
†PETER MORRIS .. .. 3	BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. 7
†RICHARD E. MORRIS .. 4	†GEORGE HEMMING .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

\* First peal on eight. † First in the method. First for the Association.

READING, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

*On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

**A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb.

MRS. A. DISERENS .. Treble	FRANK W. LEWIS .. .. 5
PATRICIA E. BUSS .. .. 2	JOHN N. DISERENS .. .. 6
MRS. R. F. DISERENS .. 3	NOEL J. DISERENS .. .. 7
ALBERT DISERENS .. .. 4	RONALD F. DISERENS .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by NOEL J. DISERENS.

A 90th birthday compliment to Reuben Sanders.

SWANAGE, DORSET.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

*On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

**A PEAL OF 5024 QUEEGELEY SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 22 cwt. in E flat.

*JENIFER M. TRENT .. Treble	MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. .. 5
JOHN R. FAITHFULL .. .. 2	‡DAVID E. HOUSE .. .. 6
†DEREK C. JACKSON .. .. 3	‡MAURICE J. BUTLER .. .. 7
‡THOMAS H. FRANCIS .. 4	†R. ROGER SAVORY .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. IVIN.

Conducted by R. ROGER SAVORY.

\* First peal with Treble Bob Hunt.

† First of Major in the method.

‡ First in the method. First in the method for the Guild.

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**PACKWOOD, WARWICKSHIRE.**  
**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.**  
*On Mon., Jan. 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 12 Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.

**A PEAL OF 5024 WARWICKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in B flat.

ROGER E. TALLIS .. Treble	PETER S. BENNETT .. 5
RODERICK W. PIPE .. 2	IAN C. MAYCOCK .. 6
MAURICE C. HUGHES .. 3	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. 7
*SUSAN FUNNELL .. 4	GEORGE E. FEARN .. Tenor

Composed by RICHARD F. B. SPEED. Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.  
 \* First peal in the method.

**GATESHEAD, CO. DURHAM.**  
**THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Wed., Jan. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

NORMAN ERRINGTON .. Treble	ALAN R. PATTERSON .. 5
*IRIS THOMSON .. 2	GEORGE S. DEAS .. 6
M. ELAINE MURCOTT .. 3	FREDERICK ROSS .. 7
JOHN E. ANDERSON .. 4	ERIC N. HARRISON .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY. Conducted by ERIC N. HARRISON.  
 \* First peal in the method.

**WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.**  
**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
*On Thurs., Jan. 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5024 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In six methods, comprising 1,088 of Cambridge, 928 of Rutland, 896 Superlative, 800 London, 672 Brighton and 640 Bristol; with 139 changes of method. All the bells do all the work of each method.

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

C. EDWARD LANKESTER .. Treble	THOMAS J. LOCK .. 5
JOAN BERESFORD .. 2	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 6
CLAUDIA CRITCHLEY .. 3	JOHN HILL .. 7
ALICK CUTLER .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. Tenor

Composed by RICHARD G. CROSLAND. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

**BELPER, DERBYSHIRE.**  
**THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF 5024 FINSBURY SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt.

WM. ARNOLD MORLEY .. Treble	JOHN F. MURFIN .. 5
EDMUND SHUTTLEWORTH .. 2	DAVID W. FRIEND .. 6
DAVID J. MARSHALL .. 3	GORDON A. HALLS .. 7
IAN M. HOLLAND .. 4	DENIS R. CARLISLE .. Tenor

Composed by D. R. CARLISLE. Conducted by GORDON A. HALLS.  
 First peal in the method by all the band, for the Association, and on the bells. Rung with 4th place bob.

**CAMBRIDGE.**  
**THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.**

*On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW-THE-GREAT.

**A PEAL OF 5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In ten methods, comprising 1,280 changes each of London and Rutland, and 320 each of Bristol, Lindum, Wembley, Cambridge, Yorkshire, Superlative, Pudsey and Lincolnshire; with 139 changes of method.

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in G.

J. R. HOUGH (Jesus) .. Treble	J. M. H. HUNTER (Trinity) 5
*C. H. ROGERS (Emmanuel) 2	*V. NUTTON (Selwyn) .. 6
A. S. HUDSON (Clare) .. 3	W. J. RIDGMAN (Queens) 7
I. M. SMITH (Peterhouse) 4	S. C. WALTERS (Pembroke) Tenor

Composed by W. E. CRITCHLEY. Conducted by ANDREW S. HUDSON.  
 \* First peal of Spiced Surprise Major 'inside.' First of Spiced Surprise Major in ten methods by the Guild.

**CHESWARDINE, SHROPSHIRE.**

**THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHIN.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 5 lb. in G.

*ERNEST C. MORRALL .. Treble	PETER MORRIS .. 5
FRANK BEECH, JUN. .. 2	RICHARD E. MORRIS .. 6
IAN FRIEND .. 3	EDWARD V. RODENHURST 7
HAROLD F. WHITE .. 4	*GEORGE E. MORRALL .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. MORRALL.

\* First peal on eight. First as conductor.

**DODDERHILL, DROITWICH.**

**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Tenor 18½ cwt.

THOMAS W. LEWIS .. Treble	WALTER H. RAXTER .. 5
ALLEN MORGAN .. 2	JOHN E. WHITTALL .. 6
*ROBERT J. BAYLISS .. 3	*REGINALD WOODYATT .. 7
*MARTIN POWELL .. 4	FREDERICK C. PUGH .. Tenor

Composed by J. J. PARKER. Conducted by REGINALD WOODYATT.  
 \* First peal on eight. † First on eight 'inside.' ‡ 350th peal.

**ELVEDEN, SUFFOLK.**  
**THE SUFFOLK GUILD.**

*On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes,*

AT THE MEMORIAL TOWER OF SS. PATRICK AND ANDREW.

**A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb.

DONALD F. MURFET .. Treble	ALAN M. BARBER .. 5
LAWRENCE R. PIZZEY .. 2	ROGER J. PALMER .. 6
NEVILLE F. WHITTELL .. 3	GEOFFREY A. LUCAS .. 7
KENNETH J. HESKETH .. 4	GEORGE E. THODAY .. Tenor

Arranged by RODERICK W. PIPE. Conducted by ALAN M. BARBER.

**EYNSFORD, KENT.**

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

**A PEAL OF 5152 KEMSING SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 16 lb. in G.

ARTHUR S. RICHARDS .. Treble	JOHN S. BARNES .. 5
JOHN R. COOPER .. 2	IAN H. ORAM .. 6
ANN JENNER .. 3	RALPH BIRD .. 7
DORIS E. COLGATE .. 4	STANLEY JENNER .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN R. MAYNE. Conducted by STANLEY JENNER.  
 First peal in the method. The treble ringer has now 'circled the tower.'

**FOBBING, ESSEX.**

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.

**A PEAL OF 5152 FOBBOING SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 11 cwt. 27 lb. in G.

*JOHN WEST .. Treble	*PATRICK W. SALTMARSH .. 5
*JOE E. G. ROAST .. 2	JAMES L. TOWLER .. 6
MICHAEL J. COWLING .. 3	*DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. 7
PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. 4	PETER J. EVES .. Tenor

Composed by ANDREW S. HUDSON. Conducted by JOE E. G. ROAST.  
 \* 25th peal together. † 150th peal together. First in the method (H. and M. Collection, No. 0402).

A birthday compliment to M. Cowling and D. Symonds.

**HOWDEN, YORKSHIRE.**

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,*

AT THE MINSTER CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF 5152 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In four methods, being 1,280 London, 1,312 Bristol, 1,568 Cambridge and 992 Superlative; with 106 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell.

WILLIAM BARTON .. Treble	GORDON BENFIELD .. 5
HOWARD SCOTT .. 2	BARRY SULLIVAN .. 6
JEANNE E. BOTTOMLEY .. 3	J. HENRY FIELDEN .. 7
W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. 4	VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN. Conducted by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

**KNEBWORTH, HERTFORDSHIRE.**

**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY-THE-VIRGIN AND THOMAS-A-BECKET.

**A PEAL OF 5152 KESTEVEN SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. Treble	PETER J. COLES .. 5
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 2	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 6
VERNON GREEN .. 3	COLIN A. S. HARWOOD .. 7
ERIC EDMONDSON .. 4	JACK S. DEAR .. Tenor

Composed by G. A. HALLS and D. R. CARLISLE.

Conducted by G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY.

First peal in the method (Corrigan, No. 185).

**LINCOLN.**

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.

**A PEAL OF 5152 TROWBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 lb. in E.

JOHN WALDEN .. Treble	GEOFFREY PAUL .. 5
PAMELA M. TURNER .. 2	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. 6
*JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. 3	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. 7
NORAH M. RANGLES .. 4	JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by GEOFFREY R. PARKER.

\* 50th peal. First in the method by all the band, and for the Guild.

**FOBBING SURPRISE MAJOR**

—38—14—58—16—34—38—12—58 L.E. 2nd 18674523

**KEMSING SURPRISE MAJOR**

—58—16—56—36, 14—12, 38, 14—14, 7

2nds place lead-end. 4ths place bob. Clean proof scale.

Method by F. T. Blagrove; No. 228.

**KESTEVEN SURPRISE MAJOR**

38 x 56.14.58 x 12.36.14 x 14.58 x 14 x 18

2nds place. L.F. 15738264.



SWANSEA, GLAMORGAN.  
THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5376 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 20 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb. in E.

MICHAEL R. THOMAS .. Treble	TREVOR M. RODEFRICK .. 5
*KATHLEEN M. WATKINS .. 2	EDMUND MORRIS .. 6
MALCOLM T. JOHNS .. 3	GWYN I. LEWIS .. 7
RICHARD C. WARBURTON .. 4	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. Tenor

Composed by C. KENNETH LEWIS. Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.  
\* First peal of Major on an 'inside' bell.

FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Jan. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Parker's Twelve-Part (7 obs.).	Tenor 12½ cwt.
DAVID VINCENT .. Treble	FRED BROWNLOW .. 5
GEOFFREY FOTHERGILL .. 2	BERNARD MOSS .. 6
CHRISTOPHER LOMAX .. 3	JOHN ASHCROFT .. 7
JAMES CUNLIFFE .. 4	JEFFREY SAWYER .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN ASHCROFT.

A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Greenhalgh; also a welcome home to Fr. Leslie Drage, of Singapore Cathedral; also to celebrate the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Riley (nee Elaine Richardson).

LIVERSEDGE, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Jan. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

AT CHRIST CHURCH.

**A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt.

MRS. H. B. SCHOFIELD .. Treble	LEONARD GOODALL .. 5
HAROLD B. SCHOFIELD .. 2	BARRY SULLIVAN .. 6
SHIRLEY A. MUDD .. 3	ROGER J. LUMLEY .. 7
ROBERT PYGOTT .. 4	S. BARRY SCHOFIELD .. Tenor

Composed by AMBURN WILSON. Conducted by LEONARD GOODALL.  
Rung as a compliment on the engagement of Shirley A. Mudd and Robert Pygott; also on the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. W. Pygott.

BURTON-ON-STATHER, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Jan. 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

**A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 28 lb.

*MAURICE LINGS .. Treble	*MICHAEL WHITING .. 5
C. AUBREY HARRISON .. 2	JOHN HALL .. 6
RONALD CHAFER .. 3	JACK BRAY .. 7
HAROLD JUDD .. 4	PHILIP BARNES .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by JACK BRAY.

\* First peal in the method.

In memoriam Rupert Richardson and John A. Freeman.

ANSTEY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb. in G.

JOHN E. COOK .. Treble	GEOFFREY M. BREWIN .. 5
REDVERS F. ELKINGTON .. 2	ROBERT E. HARDY .. 6
R. KINGSLEY MASON .. 3	DAVID G. WILFORD .. 7
WILLIAM A. LACEY .. 4	ALAN E. HARTLEY .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by DAVID G. WILFORD.

\* First peal as conductor.

BARTON-ON-HUMBER, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5184 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb.

*JILL RICHARDSON .. Treble	JACK BRAY .. 5
*ROBERT T. HARRISON .. 2	SEPTIMUS NEAVE .. 6
*GEOFFREY BROMFIELD .. 3	W. ARTHUR CROWDER .. 7
RONALD CHAFER .. 4	*MICHAEL W. CROWDER .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by JACK BRAY.

\* First peal in the method. † 100th peal.

In memoriam Arthur W. Hoodless.

BLEWBURY, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qr.
HAROLD W. DUNSDEN .. Treble	CLIFFORD J. GARLICK .. 5
ROBERT B. BLOND .. 2	CLAUDE CORDROY .. 6
ALFRED R. T. GREENOUGH .. 3	JOHN H. NAPPER .. 7
FRANK E. GODDEN .. 4	LEONARD F. CON .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT B. BLOND.

To mark Christian Unity Week.

BOCKING, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb. in E.

*JENNIFER M. DYE .. Treble	*ROBERT J. LINDSELL .. 5
JOE E. G. ROAST .. 2	PATRICK W. SALTMARSH .. 6
ALAN R. SYDER .. 3	*DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. 7
JAMES L. TOWLER .. 4	PETER J. EVES .. Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH. Conducted by JOE E. G. ROAST.

\* First peal of Major. † 200th peal together. ‡ First of London.

Rung to mark the jubilee of the Chelmsford Diocese.

HARTLEBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES-THE-GREAT.

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in E flat.

*IAN LLOYD .. Treble	GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. 5
MICHAEL G. SELBY .. 2	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. 6
ARTHUR D. COOK .. 3	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. 7
*ARTHUR C. BERRY .. 4	GERALD C. HEMMING .. Tenor

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW. Conducted by GERALD C. HEMMING.

\* First peal with Treble Bob hunt. † First of Yorkshire.

HEAVITREE, EXETER.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 25 cwt. 3 qr. 2 lb. in D.

*WILLIAM J. HARVEY .. Treble	MARTIN F. LOCK .. 5
*JEAN F. BARNETT .. 2	*FREDERICK WREFFORD .. 6
ANN FELLOWS .. 3	NORMAN MALLETT .. 7
COLIN REEVES .. 4	JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by NORMAN MALLETT.

\* First peal in the method. First in the method for the Guild by resident members.

A compliment to Mr. C. Glass, former Ringing Master, on his 90th birthday (January 22nd)

LLANTRISANT, GLAMORGAN.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. ILLTYD, TYFODWG AND GWYNNO.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

PENELOPE WELSH .. Treble	JOHN MANLEY .. 5
THOMAS YEOMANS .. 2	*ROGER G. HAVARD .. 6
PETER J. SHIPTON .. 3	NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON .. 7
ROGER KING .. 4	*DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by DAVID J. LLEWELLYN.

\* 50th peal together.

ROLVENDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt. in F sharp.

MARTIN L. HOWE .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 5
THOMAS E. SONE .. 2	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 6
VIOLET I. E. ROLF .. 3	CRAWFORD T. HILLIS .. 7
*ALEXANDER WADDINGTON .. 4	NICHOLAS J. DAVIES .. Tenor

Composed by N. P. PITSTOW. Conducted by CRAWFORD T. HILLIS.

\* First peal in the method.

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## SIX BELL PEALS

GAYTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.  
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., Jan. 11, 1963, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being one extent each of Alnwich, Chester, Cuncastre, Bourne, Ipswich, Primrose and Durham. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lb.

RONALD RUSSELL .. .. Treble	ALAN A. PAUL .. .. 4
ROGER W. SMITH .. .. 2	GRAHAM C. PAUL .. .. 5
CHARLES E. TRUMAN .. .. 3	JAMES LINNELL .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GRAHAM C. PAUL.

First peal of seven Surprise methods as conductor.

KIPPAX, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In three methods, being two extents each of Oxford and Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in F sharp.

LINDA E. F. JONES .. .. Treble	C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. 4
DINAH M. BLOW .. .. 2	PETER FENNEY .. .. 5
ANTHONY SHEARD .. .. 3	RONALD H. DOVE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

LITTLE ASTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.  
On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 9 cwt. 13 lb. in A.

*CYNTHIA M. FOLLIS .. .. Treble	†CLIVE M. SMITH .. .. 4
*D. KAY MOORE .. .. 2	*MICHAEL W. FAIREY .. .. 5
*LUCY SMITH .. .. 3	‡S. CLARKE WALTERS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL W. FAIREY.

\* First peal in the method. † First in the method 'inside.' ‡ First of Minor in the method. First in the method on the bells.

REDBOURN, HERTFORDSHIRE.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents 120. Tenor 15 cwt.

JOI HOBBS .. .. Treble	*GILLIAN S. MARTIN .. .. 4
*MARY R. SIMPSON .. .. 2	*MICHAEL J. BEW .. .. 5
†GEORGE A. READING .. .. 3	HARRY N. WALKER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE A. READING.

\* First peal attempt. † First 'inside' attempt. First attempt as conductor.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Michael J. Bew.

WRAGBY, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND OUR LADY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. in G.

JAMES THORLEY .. .. Treble	JOHN F. UNDERWOOD .. .. 4
JOHN POTTS .. .. 2	KENNETH B. SISSONS .. .. 5
MELVYN A. ROSE .. .. 3	J. MARTIN THORLEY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by KENNETH B. SISSONS.

A birthday compliment to John F. Underwood and David Thorley.

FARNBOROUGH, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sun., Jan. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr.

ERNEST J. GOWER .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY RANDLE .. .. 4
EDWARD HOLDSWORTH .. .. 2	IAN MAYCOCK .. .. 5
RICHARD GIGSON .. .. 3	JAMES L. GARNER-HAYWARD Tenor

Conducted by IAN MAYCOCK.

Rung to commemorate 50 years in the Ministry of Canon H. A. Hayden, Vicar of St. Botolph's, Farnborough.

HEMINGBROUGH, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Wed., Jan. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in F sharp.

KENNETH B. SISSONS .. .. Treble	G. FREDERICK TERRY .. .. 4
A. SHEPPARD .. .. 2	GEOFFREY W. BIRT .. .. 5
JOAN B. HINGLEY .. .. 3	JOHN POTTS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY W. BIRT.

First peal as conductor. Treble and tenor ringers have 'circled the tower.'

BARKBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Fri., Jan. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In five methods, viz.: (1) Ipswich, (2) Beverley, (3) Surfleet, (4) Bourne, (5. 6 and 7) Cambridge. Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 27 lb. in E.

MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. Treble	K. PAUL GILLIVER .. .. 4
MRS. JILL BELCHER .. .. 2	BRIAN L. BURROWS .. .. 5
*CHRISTOPHER M. STURGESS 3	MICHAEL E. BROWN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

\* First peal in more than one method. First of Surprise on the bells.

WOOLTON HILL, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Fri., Jan. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr.

*GARTH LITTLEJOHN .. .. Treble	†CHRISTOPHER BUTLER .. .. 4
EDDIE COX .. .. 2	GEOFFREY K. DODD .. .. 5
JOHN PARES .. .. 3	GEOFFREY WESTON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.

\* First peal. † First on a working bell.

ADDINGTON, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents, as follows: (1) Ipswich, (2) Cambridge and Ipswich, (3) Cambridge, (4) Cambridge and Ipswich, (5) Ipswich, (6) Bourne, (7) Bourne. Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb.

ANDREW M. MACVE .. Treble	KATHARINE M. GUY .. .. 4
*MARGARET C. GODFREY .. 2	RALPH BIRD .. .. 5
*ERIC G. H. GODFREY .. 3	JOHN D. FAIRCLOTH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ANDREW M. MACVE.

\* First peal of Surprise.

DISLEY, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being six methods in seven extents: (1) Capel T.B., (2) Kingston T.B., (3) London Scholars' Pleasure T.B., (4) Sandal T.B., (5) Cambridge Surprise, (6 and 7) Plain Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.

MARY WORTH .. .. Treble	BASIL JONES .. .. 4
*HAROLD LONYON .. .. 2	ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. 5
DEREK YATES .. .. 3	FRANK OSBALDISTON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT B. SMITH.

\* 100th peal. The ringer of the tenor has now 'circled the tower' to peals.

Rung before a service at Manchester Cathedral for the dedication of a bookcase in memory of Derek Ogden.

THRYBERGH, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of Kent Treble Bob and two each of Oxford Treble Bob, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. in B flat.

BRIAN HEPPENSTALL .. Treble	JOHN E. CHAPMAN .. .. 4
*SANDRA CROSSLEY .. .. 2	MICHAEL R. MEADOWS .. .. 5
JEFFREY KERSHAW .. .. 3	RICHARD E. PRICE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD E. PRICE.

\* First peal of Minor in more than one method.

OLD RADNOR, RADNORSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sun., Jan. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In six methods, being two extents each of Rev. St. Bartholomew, Cliford's Pleasure, April Day, and 12 of Rev. Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob and Grandsire. Tenor 16 cwt.

ROBERT A. HATCHER .. .. Treble	*THOMAS BOUND .. .. 4
COLIN A. LEWIS .. .. 2	*REGINALD PREECE .. .. 5
JOHN W. HOPE .. .. 3	THOMAS PUGH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN W. HOPE.

\* First peal in six methods.

APSLEY END, HERTFORDSHIRE.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Mon., Jan. 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPICED SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents in 13 methods: (1) Chester and Munden (six changes); (2) London and Wells (11 changes); (3) Beverley (six changes); (4) Cambridge (12 changes); (5) Lightfoot and Wearmouth (11 changes); (6) York and Durham (12 changes); (7) Norwich. Tenor 14½ cwt.

EDWIN J. UPTON .. .. Treble	AUGUSTIN V. GOOD .. .. 4
*GERALD PENNEY .. .. 2	REGINALD E. J. SHEPPARD .. .. 5
WALTER AYRE .. .. 3	KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* Most methods to a peal.

Rung to welcome a second grandson, Robert John, for the conductor.



### HINTON WALDRIST, BERKSHIRE. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Jan. 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

#### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being an extent each of Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., Cambridge Surprise, Double, St. Clement's, Double Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 7½ cwt.  
 NORMAN LESLIE .. .. Treble PETER PEARCE .. .. 4  
 PETER G. HOLDEN .. .. 2 D. KAY ADKINS .. .. 5  
 PETER BEEDIE .. .. 3 BERTRAM J. COGGINS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by D. KAY ADKINS.

### LEEDS, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Jan. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In four methods, being one extent of St. Clement's and two each of Oxford and Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in G.  
 LINDA E. F. JONES .. Treble C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. 4  
 DINAH M. BLOW .. .. 2 PETER FENNEY .. .. 5  
 ANTHONY SHEARD .. .. 3 RONALD H. DOVE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

### CALVERTON, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Jan. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being one extent each of Canterbury, Chester, York, London, Wells, Beverley and Cambridge. Tenor 11 cwt.

MALCOLM G. HOOTON .. Treble JAMES LINNELL .. .. 4  
 HERBERT C. EDWARDS .. 2 GEORGE W. HOLLAND .. .. 5  
 \*BARRY R. EGLESFIELD .. 3 WILLIAM A. YATES .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM A. YATES.

\* First peal of Surprise Minor.

To commemorate the first peal of Surprise Minor for the Oxford Diocesan Guild, which was rung at this church on January 24th, 50 years ago. The same seven methods were rung.

### PINHOE, DEVON.

#### THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

(Exeter Branch.)

On Fri., Jan. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

#### A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (ten callings). Tenor 11 cwt.  
 JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD .. Treble MARTIN LOCK .. .. 4  
 JEAN F. BARNETT .. .. 2 COLIN REEVES .. .. 5  
 ANN FELLOWS .. .. 3 NORMAN MALLETT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by NORMAN MALLETT.

First peal of Stedman Doubles by all the band, and first in the method on the bells. First of Doubles as conductor.

### BARNBY-IN-THE-WILLOWS, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE. THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents of 120 (five callings). Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb.  
 RUTH BLACKSHAW .. Treble MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 4  
 JOHN R. PRATCHETT .. .. 2 MARGARET E. CHILTON .. 5  
 W. NEVILLE BROWN .. .. 3 BRIAN E. WHITE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MARGARET E. CHILTON.

First peal as conductor at first attempt.

A birthday compliment to Maurice W. Harrison.

### CROFT, LEICESTERSHIRE.

#### THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 19 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

#### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Rung in four methods, viz.: Plain Bob, St. Simon's, Grandsire and Stedman. Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb.  
 RON CHAPMAN .. .. Treble RICHARD A. COBLEY .. .. 4  
 BRIAN C. LAW .. .. 2 MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. .. 5  
 HUGH THOMAS .. .. 3 FREDERICK WATSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MAURICE R. A. KIRK.

Rung for the Conversion of St. Paul; also as a birthday compliment to John Davies, a former chorister.

### GNOSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

#### THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

#### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 1,440 Plain Bob and 3,600 Grandsire. Tenor 17 cwt.  
 ROBERT PALMER .. Treble BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. 4  
 E. MARION KEY .. .. 2 IAN FRIEND .. .. 5  
 ANTHONY TALBOT .. .. 3 JOHN W. DYKE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

First peal on the bells by a local band.

Rung by the Sunday service band to welcome the Rev. D. R. Mann as Vicar.

### HEMINGBROUGH, YORKSHIRE.

#### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY,

#### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, St. Clement's, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb.  
 J. MARTIN THORLEY .. Treble JAMES THORLEY .. .. 4  
 G. FRED TERRY .. .. 2 KENNETH B. SISSONS .. .. 5  
 MELVYN A. ROSE .. .. 3 JOHN POTTS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

The conductor has now called a peal from each bell in this tower.

### MISTLEY, ESSEX.

#### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor 12½ cwt.  
 URBAN W. WILDNEY .. Treble ALFRED E. HONEYWOOD .. 4  
 \*NORMAN J. OSBORNE .. 2 FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 5  
 NEIL V. AVIS .. .. 3 ADRIAN G. SEMKIN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

\* First peal.

Rung to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Chelmsford Diocese.

### HANDBELL PEALS

#### ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE.

#### THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Jan. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 6 Minutes.

AT 17, QUEEN STREET.

#### A PEAL OF 5184 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

GERALD PENNEY .. 1-2 | GEOFFREY DODDS .. .. 5-6  
 \*MARTYN L. J. JORDAN .. 3-4 | JOYCE DODDS .. .. 7-8

Composed by A. CRAVEN.

Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

\* First peal in the method.

Tenor size 11 in G.

#### HARROW, MIDDLESEX.

#### MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Jan. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

AT 170, HEADSTONE LANE.

#### A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In ten methods, comprising 1,600 of London, 640 each of Bristol and Rutland, and 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Lindum, Pudsey, Superlative, Watford and Yorkshire; with 129 changes of method.

Tenor size 13 in E.

S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN 1-2 | ROGER BALDWIN .. .. 5-6  
 JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 3-4 | \*JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 7-8

Composed by ALBERT J. PITMAN.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of Spliced Surprise Major in ten methods on handbells.

#### PUDSEY, YORKSHIRE.

#### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Jan. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 10 Minutes.

AT 6, ROCKWOOD CRESCENT, WOODHALL PARK.

#### A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

JEANNE E. BOTTOMLEY .. 1-2 | WILLIAM BARTON .. .. 5-6  
 VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. .. 3-4 | FREDERICK A. MUNDAY .. 7-8

Composed by H. J. TUCKER.

Conducted by WILLIAM BARTON.

#### BUSHEY HEATH, HERTFORDSHIRE.

#### THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Jan. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

AT 39, TITIAN AVENUE.

#### A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

OLIVE D. BARNETT .. 1-2 | EDWIN A. BARNETT .. .. 5-6  
 CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY 3-4 | \*SARA K. D. WOOLLEY .. 7-8

Composed by S. H. WOOD. Conducted by CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY.

\* First peal in the method.

Tenor size 15 in C.

#### BUSHEY HEATH, HERTFORDSHIRE.

#### THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Jan. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

AT 39, TITIAN AVENUE.

#### A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 11 methods, comprising 960 of Rutland, 640 each of Bristol, London and Watford, and 320 each of Cambridge, Ealing, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative, Wembley and Yorkshire; with 139 changes of method.

Tenor size 15 in C.

\*S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN 1-2 | \*ROGER BALDWIN .. .. 5-6  
 CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY 3-4 | †JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 7-8

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of 11-Spliced Surprise Major. † First of 11-Spliced on handbells.

#### CAMBRIDGE.

#### THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Fri., Jan. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT 59, MEMORIAL COURT, CLARE COLLEGE.

#### A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor size 13 in E.

V. NUTTON (Selwyn) .. 1-2 | B. D. THRELFALL (Trinity) 5-6  
 \*J. M. H. HUNTER (Trinity) 3-4 | A. S. HUDSON (Clare) .. 7-8  
 †C. H. ROGERS (Emmanuel) 9-10

Composed and Conducted by ANDREW S. HUDSON.

\* 50th peal. † First of Stedman 'in hand.'

Rung in memoriam James Butler, Master 1914-15 and 1919-20.



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### MISCELLANEOUS

#### ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

Will members please note that this year's Provincial Meeting will be held in Cardiff on Saturday, June 6th, the programme to include business meeting, luncheon and ringing at Newport, Llandaff and Cardiff.

Full details will be published later.  
—John Chilcott. 3810

### MISCELLANEOUS

**HITCHIN, HERTS.**—Ringing has been resumed following an overhaul by John Taylor and Co. Sunday ringing at 10.30 a.m. and 5.45 p.m. Practice night Monday at 7.45 p.m.—A. R. Agg. 4070

### BACK NUMBERS

'The Ringing World' has received a very generous gift of back numbers dating from 1919 to 1959. While some are brown with the passing of years, the majority are clean and serviceable. We propose to offer these to readers who want to complete their files. The charge will be 8d. per copy post free.

**BALDOCK, HERTS.**—Practice during Lent will be on Wednesdays, 7 to 8 p.m. only.—E. Buck. 4087

**NAILSEA, SOMERSET.**—No further ringing owing to bell repairs. Practice night at Backwell on Wednesdays at 7.30 p.m. No Sunday service ringing there or at Nailsea. 'Us got no clappers.'—L. Derrick. 4084

**STEPNEY ST. DUNSTON'S.**—Ringing practice during Lent cancelled owing to services. 4063

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### MEETINGS

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Biggleswade District.—Meeting, Clifton (8), February 8th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Further ringing after tea. Everyone welcome.—M. Major, Dis. Sec. 4077

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Cambridge District.—Meeting at Trumpington, Saturday, February 8th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—B. D. Threlfall, Dis. Sec. 4047

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Gloucester Branch.—Meeting, February 8th. Longney, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. 4089

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—Meeting at St. Leonard's, Middleton (the Parish Church), on Saturday, February 8th. Bells (8) 3 to 5 and 6 to 8 p.m. Own tea arrangements.—J. P. Partington. 4054

**LEEDS UNIVERSITY UNION CAM-PANOLOGICAL SOCIETY.**—Annual dinner at Griffin Hotel, Boar Lane, Leeds 1, on February 8th. Tickets £1. Ringing at St. Michael's, Headingley, 3.30-5 p.m.—F. Fairbank, Hon. Sec. 4088

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.**—Llandaff Branch.—Annual meeting to be held at Penarth on Saturday, February 8th. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and goodness to follow. Names for tea to W. J. Goodfellow, 33, Brook Road, Fairwater, Cardiff. 3989

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—North and East District.—Saturday, February 8th, annual District meeting, Enfield (St. Andrew's). Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business. Evening ringing to 8.—E. H. Kilby, Dis. Sec. 4050

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Reading Branch.—A.G.M., Reading, Saturday, February 8th. Caversham (8), 2.45-3.45 p.m.: St. Laurence's (12), 3.15-4.45. Service at St. Laurence's 4.45. Tea and meeting, St. Mary's Church House, 5.30. St. Mary's (8), 7-9 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. A. Diserens, 15, Hartsbourne Road, Earley, Reading. 4039

**SALISBURY GUILD.**—West Dorset Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Whitechurch, Canonichum, Saturday, February 8th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to J. Davis, Mount Melnash, Bridport. 5024

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bingham District.—Meeting at Willoughby-on-the-Wolds, February 8th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to W. I. Exton, St. Owen's, Whatton.—R. Blackshaw, Dis. Sec. 4078

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—North-West District.—Practice meeting at Fornham St. Martin (6), Saturday, February 8th. Bells 6.30 to 9 p.m.—A. F. Ballum, Dis. Sec. 4042

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**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—S.E. District.—Practice meeting, Hintlesham, Saturday, February 8th, 7 p.m.—E. G. Pearce, Dis. Sec. 4071

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Social evening, Christ Church Hall, Epsom, Saturday, February 8th. Bells 6.30 p.m. Social 7.30 p.m. Names to Miss A. Gibson, 4, Ridgway, Epsom, Surrey. 4061

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—Annual meeting at Chichester (8) on Saturday, February 8th. Bells 3 p.m. Business meeting 4.30. Service 5.15. Tea 6 p.m. at Marsham Restaurant. Bells available during evening until 8.30. Names for tea to E. W. Keys, 'Greystones,' Salthill Road, Fishbourne, please. 4041

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Branch.—Practice meeting at Barrow Gurney (8), Saturday, February 15th. Bells available 5 p.m.—D. G. Yeo, Hon. Branch Sec. 3908

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wirral Branch.—Annual general meeting, St. Saviour's, Oxtion, Birkenhead, February 15th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Tea free for those notifying, by Wednesday previous, Alexander J. Martin, 28, Glenmore Road, Oxtion, Birkenhead (CLA 5192). 4091

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Crewe Branch.—Holmes Chapel, February 15th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by February 12th.—W. Kerr, 107, Moreton Road, Crewe. 4094

**DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—Meeting at St. Paul's, Winton, on Saturday, February 15th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to T. T. Bullerwell, South Farm, Barlow, Blaydon-on-Tyne. 4069

**EAST DERBYSHIRE AND WEST NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—Executive meeting at Tibshelf, February 15th. Bells 5.30 to 8.30 p.m.—T. H. Radford, Hon. Sec. 4093

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Hunts District.—Meeting at St. Ives (8), Saturday, February 15th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 4092

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Leominster District.—Annual meeting at Leominster, Saturday, February 15th. Bells (10) from 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea after service. 4085

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—Sandridge, February 15th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. S.M.: Carter's Principal. Names for tea to Mr. A. T. Hawkins, 23, Blenheim Road, St. Albans, Herts.—M. A. Coburn. 4080

**KELVEDON, ESSEX.**—Dedication of bells by the Bishop of Colchester on Saturday, February 15th, at 3 p.m. Bells available after. Numbers for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to J. Elliott, 28, Easterford Road, Kelvedon. 3996

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—Annual meeting at St. John-the-Divine, Leicester (10), Saturday, February 15th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in Church Hall 5 p.m. Names for tea to Miss S. M. Davenport, 27, Marsden Lane, Aylestone, Leics. Telephone Leicester 32554. Gentlemen cordially invited.—S. E. Chesterton, Hon. Sec. 4045

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale and Blackburn Branches.—Joint meeting at Newchurch-in-Rossendale on February 15th. Bells 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m. Business meetings after tea. (Buses every 15 mins. from Rawtenstall.)—R. Holt, J. Pilkington. 4062

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Market Harborough District.—Meeting, Oadby, Saturday, February 15th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m.—L. W. Allen, Dis. Sec. 4081



**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Eastern Branch.—Annual meeting. Boston, Saturday, February 15th. Bells 2 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea. Memorial Hall. 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday, February 16th, to W. E. Clarke, 99 Norfolk Street, Boston. 4043

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—S.W. District.—Practice on February 15th at Ealing. Ringing at St. Stephen's 3 to 4.30 p.m. Own tea arrangements. Ringing at St. Mary's 6 to 8 p.m. Joint meeting at High Wycombe on February 22nd.—F. T. B. 4082

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Sonning Deanery Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Wokingham on February 15th. Service in St. Paul's Church at 4 p.m. Tea and meeting in Parish Room 5. Ringing at St. Paul's 3 p.m. Both towers after meeting. Notify for tea by February 10th to Mrs. B. C. Castle, 419, Reading Road, Winkersley, Wokingham.—B. C. Castle. 4065

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South Oxon Branch.—Quarterly meeting Tetsworth, Saturday, February 15th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 12th, to J. Godman, 22, Sunnyside, Benson. 4074

**SALISBURY GUILD.**—Marlborough Branch.—Meeting. Presbute, February 15th. Names to Mr. G. Brown, Audley House, High Street, Marlborough, by Feb. 12th. St. Peter's bells available after tea. 4074

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Division.—Annual Divisional meeting. Henfield (8), Saturday, February 15th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Special method: Bristol. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierpoint. 4090

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting. Sprothorough, February 15th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names to Mr. E. Short, 'Kathlyn', Melton Road, Sprothorough, Doncaster, by 12th. No. 49 bus every 20 minutes from Doncaster Station, under Gresley House.—J. J. L. Gilbert. 4083

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting at Sprothorough, February 15th. Details later.—J. J. L. Gilbert.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—Evening practice at Henbury on Monday, February 17th. 7.30 start.—H. Kingcott. 4068

**LADIES' GUILD** (Central District), **MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (South and West District), **OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD** (East Berks and South Bucks Branch).—Joint meeting. Saturday, February 22nd. Ringing: Hughenden 2.45-3.45 p.m.; High Wycombe 4 p.m. Service 5, followed by tea. Film ringing until 9 p.m. Please send names for tea by Tuesday, February 18th, to S. Bailey, 7, Cockpit Close, Great Kingshill, High Wycombe. 4066

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Salisbury Branch.—February 22nd. practice meeting. Shrewton. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names by Tuesday, 18th, to G. A. Trimby, Sec., 24, West Street, Wilton. 4074

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—S.W. District.—Meeting at Bures, Saturday, February 22nd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by February 19th, please, to Mr. L. D. Mills, 'Lyford', Colchester Road, Bures, Suffolk. 4074

**SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—Annual meeting at St. Mary's, Eastbourne (8), on February 22nd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5, followed by business meeting. Further ringing till 8.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. A. Purdom, 24, Wilton Avenue, Hampden Park, Eastbourne.—I. Smith, Sec. 4074

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## QUARTER PEALS

**AYLSHAM, NORFOLK.**—On Jan. 19th, 1,260  
Grandsire Triples: A. Wells 1, D. Phillips 2, P.  
Sapwell 3, R. Cullington 4, J. Pumphrey 5, J. Smith  
(cond.) 6, W. Dumolo 7, M. Postle 8.

**BARTON-ON-HUMBER, Lincs.**—On Jan. 21st,  
1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): Pamela  
Gill 1, R. Harrison 2, S. Bromfield (cond.) 3, Jill  
Richardson 4, E. Broughton 5, Linda Neal 6, S.  
Hutson 7, F. Green 8, First quarter 1, 6, 7, 8. First  
quarter by a local band.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—At the Church of St. Andrew the  
Great on Jan. 19th, 1,263 Stedman Triples: K. J.  
Triplow 1, R. M. Damerell 2, K. J. Darvill 3, J. A.  
Harrison 4, J. M. H. Hunter 5, C. A. Friskney  
(first of Stedman) 6, C. H. Rogers 7, S. C. Walters  
(cond.) 8.

**DORCHESTER-ON-THAMES, OXON.**—On Jan.  
20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: R. Folley (first  
quarter) 1, Margaret Thewlis 2, Helen Howes 3, D.  
Exon 4, A. Howes (cond.) 5, F. Absolom 6, Rung for  
the birthdays of Margaret Thewlis and David Whitton.

**GT. HOLLAND, ESSEX.**—On Jan. 21st, 1,260  
Doubles (two methods): R. Isgar 1, M. Downs 2,  
S. Leach 3, W. Rouse 4, F. B. Lufkin (cond.) 5,  
J. Isgar 6. Rung to celebrate the 50th anniversary of  
the formation of the Chelmsford Diocese.

**KING'S LANGLEY, HERTS.**—On Jan. 16th, 1,260  
Plain Bob Minor: I. Goodman (first of Minor) 1,  
R. W. Picton 2, D. J. Goodman 3, D. Bedford 4,  
B. M. Barker 5, K. D. Waples (cond.) 6, Rung to  
wish Miss H. M. Toms 'bon voyage' for her trip  
to Australia.

**MERROW, SURREY.**—On Jan. 14th, 1,260 Doubles  
(Grandsire, Plain Bob): Hazel J. Giddins 1, A.  
Pamela Warren 2, R. A. K. Glue 3, S. M. Cobbe  
4, B. J. Woodruffe (cond.) 5, F. R. Duncan 6,  
First in two methods for 1, 3, 4 and 6.

**STANMORE, MIDDY.**—On Jan. 16th, 1,260 Kent  
T.B.: B. Burroughs 1, Miss S. White 2, Miss E.  
Emmett (first in method) 3, E. J. Leversuch 4,  
Miss L. Simpson 5, L. North 6, R. Moore 7, B.  
Matthews (cond.) 8.

**STOKE-NEXT-GUILDFORD, SURREY.**—On Jan.  
25th, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury, Grandsire  
and Plain Bob): N. Doggett (first 'away' from  
tenor) 1, Diane Street (first as cond.) 2, Christine  
Abbott (first in three methods) 3, N. Stroud (first  
in three methods) 4, Elizabeth Stevenson 5, Nicolai  
Stroud 6.

**SWINDON, WILTS.**—At Christ Church on Jan.  
14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss W. Marriott  
(first quarter) 1, Miss J. Davidge (first in method  
and Doubles 'inside') 2, Miss S. Little 3, M. Stanley  
(first as cond. in method) 4, W. Merritt (first  
in method and of Doubles) 5, E. Sutton 6. Also on  
Jan. 19th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Miss J. Davidge  
(first of Caters) 1, W. W. T. Daniell 2, M. D.  
Penney 3, Miss S. Little 4, W. Merritt 5, Dr. C. G.  
Roworth 6, A. G. Wells 7, M. Stanley 8, E. Sutton  
(cond.) 9, P. Minchin 10.

**WARHAM, DORSET.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,260 Plain  
Bob Minor: G. W. Elmes 1, C. M. Heawood 2,  
Judith A. Robertson 3, M. J. Young 4, R. W.  
Young 5, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 6, First of  
Plain Bob Minor 'inside' 4 and 5, For Eversons.

**YORK.**—At the Minster, on Jan. 12th, 1,312 York-  
shire Surprise Major: C. Banton (first of T.B.) 1, Miss  
M. Wilkinson (first in method) 2, A. Carter 3,  
A. Leggett 4, R. Warford 5, M. Stanforth 6, H.  
Walker 7, C. Reeves (cond.) 8, Rung on the back  
eight. First in method on these eight bells.

## LATE NOTICE

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—N.E. District.—Annual  
meeting at Halesworth (8) on Saturday, Feb-  
ruary 15th. Bells 3 p.m.—9 p.m. Service 4.30  
p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday,  
February 12th, to Miss M. Branch, Fern Bank,  
Bungay Road, Halesworth. 4095

## EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD

The East Grinstead and District Guild held  
their annual dinner on January 11th at the  
Castle Hotel, Tunbridge Wells, preceded by  
ringing at St. Peter's Church, Tunbridge  
Wells, in the afternoon.

A company of about 60 sat down to a very  
enjoyable dinner, apart from the odd York-  
shire pudding. Speeches were made by Mr.  
Raymond A. Large, who proposed 'The  
Church,' which was replied to by the Rev. J.  
R. Missen (president). 'The East Grinstead  
and District Guild' was proposed by Mr.  
Cyril W. Hancock. In his reply Mr. Brian E.  
Jeffrey (chairman) gave a brief resume of the  
activities of the Guild during the past year.

After the speeches and a touch of Grandsire  
Triples on handbells, the Rev. R. W. Lax  
West entertained with some magic, the high-  
light being when he hypnotised a lady member  
and left us all thoroughly mystified as to how  
it was done.

After the president had drawn the lucky  
numbers Mr. Raymond A. Large brought to  
an end a most happy evening with some fine  
singing, accompanied on the piano by Mrs.  
Ladd. Thanks must go to all those who  
worked so hard to make such a happy even-  
ing possible. R. J. O.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

The Marlborough Branch meeting at Mil-  
denhall on January 18th was an unqualified  
success with attendance higher than of late.  
Ringing was under the direction of the Rev.  
Roger Keeley (Ringing Master) and the Guild  
service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev.  
E. G. Courtman), with Mr. A. Keen at the  
organ. An excellent tea was laid on by the  
Rector and lady helpers, who did a fine job  
in coping with a company almost twice as  
big as expected.

Mr. W. A. Edwards deputised for the chair-  
man at the business meeting, when a lady  
member from Chisleton was elected.

Next meeting: Presbute (subject to permis-  
sion) and possibly St. Peter's, Marlborough, in  
the evening.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD

A great variety of methods was rung at  
the N.W. District's meeting at Elvedon on  
January 11th, including Plain Bob, Grandsire,  
Little Bob, Kent, Oxford, Cambridge, Sted-  
man, Ipswich and Norwich. Conducting was  
shared by Messrs. J. Paul, H. Fuller, R. and  
M. Rose.

The Rev. C. J. Newton Gates conducted the  
service and a splendid tea was served by  
Mesdames Paul, Fuller and Rose. Mr. L.  
Wright presided at the meeting when the  
following meetings were approved:—February,  
Fornham St. Mary (evening), March, Hopton  
(evening), April, Rougham (quarterly).

The great services of Mr. Wright not only  
to that District but to Central Suffolk were  
mentioned by Mr. Lester, of Needham Market,  
in proposing a vote of thanks. Many new  
methods had been learnt and outings in the  
summer months arranged by him, he said.

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62534		—	3	—
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34625		—	—	3
63542		—	—	
56342	2			
25463		—	2	3
34562				—
23645		—	2	
62534		—	—	
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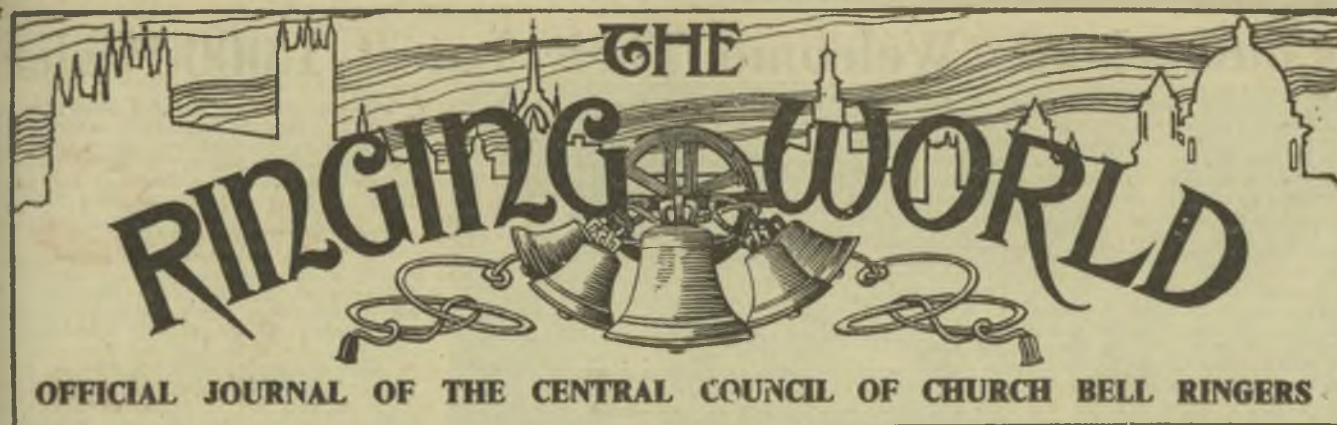
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## RINGINGITIS—OR GALLOPING BELLMANIA

IT'S only a little over twelve months ago since the disease first struck at my young eleven years old son, who up to that time had been a fairly normal small boy.

In those days; on almost every fine Sunday during the summer it used to be our habit to pack up picnic meals and motor out into the country for the day. It was when returning from these trips that my wife and I realised something was wrong—for young Dave (usually the most reluctant to return home) began to worry about getting home 'in time for church.'

Now, in my experience, for any eleven-year-old boy actually to want to go to church is distinctly unnatural. When I questioned him closely about the matter it seemed that the whole thing had something to do with the ringing of church bells. Boys, of course, have always loved to make a noise—so it followed that this licensed noise-making would appeal, at least for a time. The obvious thing to do was to humour him, for surely he'd soon tire of bell jangling.

When, however, several weeks passed by and he showed no signs of losing interest, I made the fatal mistake of going along with him to the tower, to find out what it was all about.

Now, twelve months later, I'm still going, and enjoying it (for such is the strange power of this disease). I suppose I should have realised when I first mounted those spiral stairs and came at last to that magic place 'the ringing room' that here was a sensation much akin to those associated with 'messing about in boats,' this being another chronic complaint from which I have suffered for years.

I watched the ringing fascinated—the puppet circle of shirt-sleeved ringers, with trance-like expressions, seemingly actuated by the darting bobbing sallies—the rattle of ropes in the guides—the sudden calls of 'Bob' or 'Single' and over all this totally incomprehensible movement, the obviously ordered pattern of sound from the bells somewhere high above.

Of course, I was taken up to see those bells—and, oh, the sheer magic of the place—a magic compounded of stone, wood, metal and mysterious shadow, where hung twelve slumbering bells, each rocking gently in turn to the touch of my guide, as he walked about the frame, touching here a stay, there a wheel, describing their weight and history. We returned to the ringing room and again I should have taken warning from the strange glint in the man's eye, as with chalk on blackboard he drew sorcerer's patterns of lines and figures to illustrate the principles of change ringing.

That first visit was followed by others, during one of which I was asked, would I like to 'try the feel of a bell.' That was it—the moment I took rope in hand, my fate was sealed.

Again and again I returned, for there always seems to be something new to learn, and well I remember the almost sensual pleasure when first you 'find the balance' and half a ton of bell is poised in perfect fingertip control. Less pleasant those moments of sheer terror when things go wrong and with madly

flapping rope the usually docile bell becomes a savage monster obviously quite capable of pulping you against the ceiling. During those frantic seconds you decide 'never again'—until one of the ringers strolls across and, with a few deft pulls, subdues the beast.

So it goes on—but in my own case, somewhat slowly, for at the age of fifty one does not pick up completely new ideas quite so quickly. So my son gallops on ahead, seeming to pick up the idea instructively, while I have to work so hard at each phase—but doggedly determined to master each fascinating new aspect.

For those in middle age who would like to make the second half of life even more interesting and exciting than the first, may I recommend a visit to your nearest tower—if you are the right sort of person, infection and all that follows will be automatic. If, however, the years have made you a trifle pompous and self-important—then forget it, for humility of approach is vital.

Could you bear to see youngsters of fourteen and fifteen, who started ringing at the same time as yourself, ringing 'inside' to touches of Cambridge while you are still grappling with rope-sight and struggling desperately to ring a plain course of Grand-sire or Plain Bob, on the treble?

Can you take a 'ticking off' from an 18-year-old conductor, who has finally 'blown his top' at your pathetic attempts at striking? Or could you endure the resigned expressions of the regular band who have just suffered your attempts to prevent them 'ringing around you'?

If you can, then a whole new world of fascinating experience is open to you. You will be welcomed into the fraternity of change ringers, where age or status will count for nothing unless you have a real interest. When once it is seen that you have this interest—then even the greatest names amongst the select body of peal ringers will find time to patiently explain those particular mysteries which currently baffle you.

You will go to 'meetings,' take part in 'tower grabs,' and meet a whole host of fascinating characters, young and old. You will begin to speak a strange new language with mediæval sounding words like 'Caters' and 'Cinques,' 'Royal' or 'Maximus.' Or, if you're a handy-man, you'll battle with rope splicing, greasers, clapper bolts, sliders and stays.

The world will go on all around you in the same old dreary way, but you will be a different person, having acquired skills and knowledge about which the man-in-the-street knows nothing. When holidays or business trips take you away from home, you will find that 'Dove's Guide' becomes even more important than the A.A. book. You'll find yourself making detours to spot that tower at which you've been told 'there's a glorious eight,' and if it happens to be practice night, you can be sure of a welcome wherever you are, however humble your own abilities.

You regular readers of 'The Ringing World' will, of course, know all about it, unless in your own case perhaps the disease has reached such an advanced stage that you have forgotten some of the earlier symptoms. Therefore, before this happens to me, I put pen to paper in an effort to express my most grateful thanks to the whole company of ringers everywhere. E. H. C.



# Cumberlands Welcome Their Latest 1,000-Pealer

THE more attractive surroundings of the Church House Restaurant, Westminster, drew a larger attendance to the annual dinner of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths on February 1st. Under the genial chairmanship of Mr. Dennis Beresford, the Master, proceedings went with a swing. It was a night of stories: the Rev. Meredith Davies, who is this year Mayor of Shoreditch, drew on his vast store of anecdotes, and this spurred on Canon A. G. G. Thurlow, the president of the Central Council, to be at his wittiest. Canon Thurlow had a field day. Not only did he ring at the towers open, but he went back to Great Yarmouth the same night, reaching home after 4 a.m.

There was a warm welcome for Mr. Jack Millhouse, that stalwart of the Cumberlands at Lincoln, who was accompanied by sister Betty. The Master, in his speech, referred to the peal of Cambridge Maximus that Mr. Millhouse arranged for the Cumberlands at Walsall, rung mainly by a provincial band. Jack was also congratulated on ringing his 1,000th peal, and the Master read out the distinguished list of Cumberlands in the ranks of the 1,000 pealers. They are: W. H. Fussell, James Bennett, Frank Bennett, George Williams, Alfred H. Pulling, J. H. Cheeseman, C. T. Coles, Keith Hart, H. E. Audsley and J. E. Davis.

## MEMORIES OF THE PAST

It was an evening when due honour was given to the past. Mr. E. A. Barnett, who had been looking through some articles by James Armiger Trollope, recalled the names of Edward Osborne, who was secretary for many years, John Cox and Henry Halev. Another worthy was Augustus James Frost, who in the year 1838 turned in Bow tenor to a peal of Treble Ten, and at the conclusion the band rang a course of Stedman Caters.

In the 'Era' of January, 1851, appeared the following letter, quoted Mr. Barnett:—

'I might add, for the information of the ringers of England, that there is but one regular organised Society in London, viz., the London Cumberland Change Ringing Society, under the sanction and patronage of the clergy and influential laymen of the Metropolis.'

The Editor added: 'We insert this but we have our doubts of the Cumberlands being the only regular organised Society in London.'

Mr. Barnett supposed that the man who in the 19th century did most for the Cumberlands was George Newson. He was in the first peal to be rung with 'Edison's Electricity' in St. Martins-in-the-Fields. He also called what was known as the longest peal of Double Norwich. After Newson, the Society went into a decline until Jim Parker, of Edmonton, took over. It was his daughter, Edith (Mrs. Fletcher), who was the first lady to ring in a peal for the Society. The contribution of the Matthews family was also recalled. Mr. Barnett mentioned John D. Matthews and Cecil Matthews and how the tradition of service to the Society was now being carried on by Frank D. Matthews, the present secretary.

It would be wrong to assume that due regard was not given the Ancient Society of College Youths. The reigning Master, Mr. Jack Phillips, was present and in replying to the toast of 'The Visitors' he said although they were rival Societies he thought to-day they were more friendly than ever before, which was a good thing.

## A TIP TO YOUNG RINGERS

'I have known Cumberlands for a great many years,' he said. 'I have many friends among them. It was mentioned that I had rung a peal at St. Martins-in-the-Fields, which did me the honour of ringing a peal in every 12-bell tower in London. My friends asked me how I wangled that peal. It was no wangle: it was through my friendship with the Cumberlands. It was well rung and was called by your Master at that time, Mr. George Cross.'

Mr. Phillips made a plea to young ringers to make up their minds which of the two Societies they would join and when they had

joined to stick to that Society. People resigning from one Society and joining the other was the cause of a lot of ill feeling.

Mr. Frank E. Hawthorne, an old servant of the Society, proposed the toast of 'The Church,' in which he implored ringers, as part of the Church, to do their job to the best of their ability.

The Rev. Meredith Davies, who replied, had something encouraging to say to the ringers. 'I think the ringing of bells stirs the consciences of many people. I hope you will go on ringing for many years to come. We have enjoyed ourselves here, but remember we are here together as part of the Church which we are proud to inherit. Go forward step by step bearing that torch of integrity!'

As a mark of appreciation to Mr. Davies' interest in the Society, the Master stated that he proposed to introduce a new class of membership—associate membership—and he would confer that honour upon him.

In a well-prepared speech, Mr. John S. Barnes proposed 'The Visitors.' He congratulated Canon Thurlow on the Canopy of Norwich Cathedral that had been conferred upon him; he had a word of sympathy with the Rev. R. Deasy, Vicar of St. Andrew's, Holborn, in the illness of his wife. Other clergy welcomed were the Revs. Gordon Blacktop (Thames Ditton), K. Gibbons (St. Martin-in-the-Fields) and Peter Bond. Mr. Tom Lock, as secretary of the Middlesex Association, was also warmly greeted. To this toast Mr. Jack Phillips and Canon Thurlow replied.

The Master, in his reply, said this year the Middlesex Association honoured the Society by inviting him to propose the toast to their Association. It was of particular interest to Cumberlands as it was in honour of Charles Coles, a distinguished member of their Society.

Apart from the peal of Cambridge Maximus at Walsall the Society had rung its first of London Royal (No. 3 Version), Bedminster Surprise, Cumberland Surprise, Eastcote Surprise, Seven-Spliced Surprise with all the work and Bob Minor by the Sussex contingent. A peal of Stedman Triples, non-conducted, had also been rung.

In conclusion, the Master thanked Mr. Frank Matthews for a 'tremendous job' in arranging for the dinner.

## LONG LENGTH ATTEMPT AT BIRMINGHAM

Dear Sir.—I wish to give notice that by kind permission of the Provost and local ringers, an attempt will be made to ring 16,368 Cambridge Surprise Maximus at Birmingham Cathedral on Monday, March 30th, 1964. Ringing will commence at 8.30 a.m. and the band will stand as follows: B. J. Woodruffe 1, J. M. Jelley 2, N. Bennett 3, B. Jones 4, J. C. Eisel 5, F. Shallcross 6, B. F. L. Groves 7, J. Robinson 8, J. H. Fielden 9, J. A. Ainsworth 10, B. Harris 11, R. B. Smith 12.

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—Yours faithfully,

ROBERT B. SMITH.

**DANBURY, ESSEX.**—On Dec. 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Carol Kemp 1, Annette Watson 2, E. W. Roast 3, E. G. Roast 4, J. West 5, I. J. M. Saunders (cond) 6. First quarter 1 and 2. Ring half-muffled.

**WISTASTON, CHESHIRE.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,440 Doubles (Kennington, Plain Bob): H. G. Flynn 1, J. S. Baker 2, A. R. Trickett 3, T. E. Trickett 4, F. R. Morton 5. For Evensong.

The entertainment included some fine tune ringing by Howard Egglestone, Andrew Hudson and Jeremy Brandon, and a course of London Surprise Major 'in hand' by A. E. Barnett 1-2, Miss Joan Beresford 3-4, Dennis Beresford 5-6 and Peter Beresford 7-8.

## THE COMPANY

The Master and Mrs. Beresford were supported on the top table by the Mayor and Mayoress of Shoreditch (the Rev. and Mrs. Meredith Davies), the president of the Central Council (Canon Gilbert Thurlow), Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Barnett, the Rev. and Mrs. K. Gibbons (St. Martin's), the Rev. R. Deasy, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Francis, Mr. J. Phillips (Master of the College Youths) and Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Hawthorne.

Others present were: The Revs. G. Blacktop, P. N. Bond, Dr. and Mrs. D. E. Sibson.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Diserens, Mr. and Mrs. J. Huxster, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Weller, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Ponting, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Exton, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Goodfellow, Mr. and Mrs. K. Newman, Mr. and Mrs. T. Lock, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hart, Mr. and Mrs. R. Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dobbie, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Kippin, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Eves, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Egglestone, Mr. and Mrs. N. Steere, Mr. and Mrs. P. Humphries, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Tester, Mr. and Mrs. G. Paul, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Raithby, Mr. and Mrs. C. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Lewis and Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Mason.

Mesdames A. Beresford, E. Deal, E. Lewis sen., S. S. Zass and N. Sarkar.

The Misses J. Bowen, M. Swift, J. Smith, Ann Ponting, C. Fuller, D. Colgate, J. Beresford, J. Geiringer, M. Erik, J. Cox, M. Grant, R. Foreman, F. Cannon, M. Ladd, H. F. Martin, C. Dillamore, E. Tester, M. Prockson, M. Chilton, E. Tutty, G. Burchnell, K. Burchnell, J. Gurnhill and B. Millhouse.

Messrs. I. Smith, G. Fitzhugh, T. Barlow, R. Caporn, D. Leach and guest, G. Pullinger, E. R. Rappley, A. Baldock, D. Woodcock, A. E. W. Malin, J. S. Barnes, P. Spice, A. E. Rushton, R. J. Shaple, I. H. Oram, A. Cutler, P. Beresford, J. Dafters, J. Warner, R. W. Hinde, B. Jeffrey, F. E. Darby, R. Davis, R. Stevens, A. Hudson, J. Brandon, P. J. Saltmarsh, I. Zass-Ogilvie, B. Baker, R. Newman, W. Prockson, P. Raithby and T. W. White.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD Salisbury District

The members who attended the annual meeting of the Salisbury Branch on January 25th at the Cathedral Hotel, Salisbury, received with great regret the resignation of Miss Y. Eloie, the Branch secretary, who is leaving the district to return to Guildford.

Canon L. Bartlett, Branch chairman, spoke of the great service and help given by her to the Branch and Guild during her 13 years as secretary, and presented her with a cheque from the Branch.

In her last report Miss Eloie said that three peals had been rung during 1963, and membership showed a slight decrease, but a new band to join was the Salisbury Theological College.

Officers elected were: Mr. H. A. Roles, chairman; Mr. W. F. Kelly, vice-chairman; Mr. G. A. Trimby, secretary and treasurer; Miss M. Page, auditor; Ringing Masters, Messrs. A. Haines, C. Haines, R. Jones and L. Page, together with Mrs. H. Abrahams and Mr. J. Baverstock on the committee. New members elected were the Martin tower and Mrs. M. Payne (Wilton).

Meetings arranged for the coming year are: February 22nd, Shrewton; March 21st, Chilmark; April 25th, Martin; May 23rd, Wilton; June 27th, Britford; July 25th, Downton; August 22nd, Tisbury; September 26th, Coombe Bissett; October 24th, East Knoyle; November 28th, Enford.

The service in St. Thomas' Church was conducted by Canon L. Bartlett, with Mr. Harold Roles as organist. Ringing in the evening was at St. Thomas' and St. Paul's.

G. A. T.



## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD Guildford District

The bells of Holy Trinity, Guildford, are in a bad state. They have not had a major renovation since 1911. To undertake this and hang them on ball bearings will cost £473.

Announcing this at the annual meeting of the Guildford District, on Jan. 18th, the Rector (the Rev. M. Hocking) said Holy Trinity was loaded with debt and could not afford to undertake the work this year.

Miss Elizabeth Stevinson, the honorary secretary and treasurer, reported at the business meeting that the District had raised £123 towards the Cathedral bells and because of increased subscriptions the District balance, at £36, showed an increase of £5.

Mr. Leslie Hunter, District Ringing Master, reported that apart from meetings Surprise practices had been held at Holy Trinity and St. Nicolas', Guildford and Shalford, and the secretary had organised practices for learners. Saturday night practices at Shalford are to be introduced in the spring, and also at Chiddingfold.

The Guild Master (Mr. Douglas May) presided. A special vote of thanks was passed to Mrs. Ponting and her ladies for the tea arrangements, and also to Mr. Ponting.

## Farnham District

Proceedings took a lively turn at the Farnham District annual general meeting held at Farnham on January 25th with the Guild Master (Mr. Douglas May) in the chair.

Mr. T. Page, Ringing Master, complained that progress on the whole had been staggeringly slow, the reason being the apathetic and slipshod approach to ringing shown by an enormous number of ringers who were not prepared to study at home. There were two main causes of bad striking—bad bell control and the emphasis of good striking not being made known to recruits from the beginning. Recruits must be persuaded to listen from the first time of ringing rounds, otherwise it became more difficult to correct at a later date.

Thanking all the ringers who supported him and those who didn't, he expressed the hope that they would endeavour to do so in the coming year and ended. 'My special thanks go to the Surprise ringers for their willingness to ring with their less fortunate colleagues without too much pressure being applied.'

A lively discussion followed the completion of the Ringing Master's report.

Mr. C. W. Denyer said progress in ringing could not be measured in terms of peal ringing or 'Surprise' methods being rung. The fact that 70 ringers were present in that room and that 11 of the 15 towers of the District were represented disproved the assertion that a state of apathy existed.

Regarding the poor quality of ringing, Mr. Denyer said every tower had its 'off' days, but it was not possible for one or two officers to know what was the standard of 15 towers on each practice night and every Sunday in the year. Ninety per cent. of the towers rang twice on each Sunday, which was quite an achievement whatever the methods rung. One or two churches had an excellent standard of ringing in 'Doubles' methods—which could not be said of churches where more advanced ringing was attempted. The ringers, too, were active church workers and worshippers.

Mr. Page suggested that 120 changes unaided should be regarded as a qualification for membership. This brought forth protests and it was decided to leave the qualification to the local leader.

The District's 1964 officers are: Messrs. T. Page, Ringing Master; R. Clist, Deputy Ringing Master; D. Elsmore, hon. secretary; R. H. Mills, honorary treasurer.

The Rector (Canon H. R. Wilds) conducted the service and Mr. L. W. Cooke was the organist.

## IPSWICH'S VETERAN RINGERS



A HAPPY picture from the Ipswich 'Evening Star' of two stalwarts from St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich. On the left, Mr. G. Symonds (88), who has been ringing for 77 years and has rung 220 peals. He has been secretary of the St. Mary-le-Tower Society since he came to Ipswich in 1920.

With him is Mr. Charles Sedgley (76). He started ringing at the age of 15 and joined St. Mary-le-Tower Society in 1909. With Mr. Symonds he was joint conductor. Mr. Sedgley's service to ringing includes 30 years' membership of the Central Council and Ringing Master of the Suffolk Guild from 1923 to 1956.

[Courtesy of 'Evening Star,' Ipswich.]

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION Rochester District

Many of the younger members had their first ring on the famous bells of St. Mary Magdalene, Gillingham, when the Rochester District held its quarterly meeting there on January 18th. Although the peal boards no longer remain, owing to woodworm, it was at Gillingham that Gabriel Lindoff conducted the first peals of Cambridge Surprise Major and Superlative for the Kent County Association in 1893. Some 75 members attended, the Rev. Peter Bond conducted the service and an excellent tea was provided by the local company.

Business at the meeting, with the Rev. P. Bond in the chair, included the election of seven new members and a comprehensive report from Mr. A. Dunk on the Association's committee meeting at Maidstone.

The votes of thanks included one to Mr. L. C. Harmer, captain of the Gillingham ringers, and those who provided tea. Mr. C. T. Osenton, District Ringing Master, superintended the ringing.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Axbridge Branch

Visitors welcomed at the annual meeting of the Axbridge Branch, held at Weston-super-Mare on January 25th, included Mr. G. Salmon (general secretary) and friends from Bath, Keynsham, Pilton and Yatton.

Officers, elected en bloc, were: Chairman, Mr. J. Walton; vice-chairman, Mr. G. Prescott; Ringing Master, Mr. H. Hooper; secretary, Miss M. Legg. Eighteen new members were elected from Bleadon, East Brent and Weston. The Branch annual outing in May will be to Devon.

Preb. Turnock conducted the service and ringers and friends arranged tea.

Next meeting: April 25th, Bleadon. Practices: February 22nd, Wick St. Lawrence; March 21st, Congresbury. M. L.

## OBITUARY

### MR. C. G. WHITE

The death took place at his home at Appleton, Berkshire, on January 26th, of Mr. Cuthbert George White, after a brief illness. Youngest son of the late Mr. Frederick White, the well-known bellhanger, he was affectionately known to all as 'John.' He was born at Appleton on March 25th, 1886, and learned to ring there at an early age. He scored his first peal, one of Grandsire Caters, in his native village in 1903.

During the 1914-18 war John served in the Devonshire Regiment, and afterwards worked with his brother, the late Mr. Richard White, in the family bellhanging business. He was a chorister at the Church of St. Lawrence, Appleton, for almost 70 years, and held the office of parish clerk from 1907 to 1953. As a member of the Appleton Handbell Ringers from his youth, he rang with the team at a concert only a fortnight before he died.

'John' will be chiefly remembered for his great sense of humour and ready wit. In his company there was never a dull moment. His fund of humorous stories seemed inexhaustible. He will be greatly missed at the Fourth of March Festival, where he always sang several of the traditional songs.

Among his more noted peals were 10,043 Grandsire Caters, rung on November 19th, 1921, and the Grandsire Caters record peal of 16,271 changes, rung in 9 hours, 20 minutes, on December 27th, 1932, both at Appleton.

He was buried in St. Lawrence's Churchyard on January 29th, and fitting tributes to his life and work, and in particular to his great loyalty, were paid at the funeral by the Rev. Dr. Tyndal-Hart, Rector of Appleton. Afterwards a half-muffled peal of Grandsire Caters was rung in his memory in 2 hours, 57 minutes, as reported in our peal columns. He leaves a widow, daughter and three grandchildren. F. S.

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# Letters to the Editor

## 'Exhall' Delight Minor

Dear Sir,—I am grateful to M. F. Locke, who gives the correct place notation of the method we rang on January 1st. He points out the duplication in a gentlemanly way, and is content to allow the matter to rest there. I am quite content to withdraw the provisional or temporary name we gave it to facilitate publication of a peal performance.

In answer to Mr. Massey, no conductor, whatever trouble he takes, can be 100 per cent sure that the method his band is going to attempt has never been rung before! Aldbourne Delight, although rung to a peal halfway through 1960, is not included in the C.C. Collection of Minor Methods dated 1961. I took the trouble to check back over my copies of 'The Ringing World' up to the beginning of that year, hoping they could throw light on the matter, assuming, wrongly of course, that the Collection would at least be comprehensive up to the end of 1960. Four of those copies are missing, but in spite of this I thought it advisable to have a go, if only to bring the matter into the open, which was the only way to dispel all doubt!

Had I called the method 'A. N. Other Delight' I may have received a letter from you, questioning the wisdom of publication under that title, and have no regrets about acting as I did. Duplication was not intended at any time. The method is well worth ringing, as it has the bells in natural coursing order in 5-6. We rang a good peal, and I only hope that the band who performed it in 1960 found the same pleasure in ringing it as we did.—Yours, etc.,

Coventry.

WILLIAM A STOTE.

## Bells or Candles

Dear Sir,—Any money spent upon church bells in this the modern age is 'money wasted'—that is the opinion held in certain minds! It appears to be the opinion held by at least one clergyman in Warwickshire (according to 'Church Times' of January 31st), who begrudges money spent upon Bow bells.

A few weeks ago similar views were expressed to me by a Vicar of a church with only three bells, not far from here, in what is most decidedly one of the wealthiest parishes in the Peterborough Diocese. The church is situated in a park, which draws thousands of visitors every week-end during the summer, to whom six (or even five) good toned bells could mean more than the present three.

But, says the Vicar (and previous Vicars, except one who moved on), the money this would cost (the tenor of the three is only 7 cwt., and no money is needed for the tower which has been restored recently) would: 1 'Provide' (?) a priest for some overseas missions; 2 Help the hunger campaign for feeding starving children in China, Africa, India and elsewhere.

That sounds all very well, but would to God those priests (and laity) who argue like that would think the same about a suggestion to spend in 10 years £14 millions on extensions to that so-called 'Shrine of Our Lady' (that museum of candles, and all that is contrary to the second Commandment), situated as it is in one corner of the country at Walsingham, Norfolk. I could better appreciate their talk about 'wasting money upon bells,' hunger, etc. At least, believers and those who only occasionally worship are, by the bells everywhere (and not up just one tiny corner of the country), given a reminder (but not from derelict bells) of what the church is there for.

Weston Favell, Northants.

P. AMOS.

## Advice to Parsons on Treatment of Ringers

Dear Sir,—For the past year I have been reading 'The Ringing World' with a good deal of interest, composed, in unequal proportions, of recognition and blank incomprehension. I am a novice in the Exercise and seem destined to remain so for the foreseeable future, despite the efforts of a most understanding band and captain. While reading in pursuit of another subject I came across an article in 'The Ecclesiologist' (February, 1866) which I feel may be of general interest.

In 1866 'C. H. W... M.A., Oxon' wrote: 'On my induction as Vicar to my living two or three years ago, I found that the ringing had been stopped by my predecessor in consequence of the very disgraceful conduct of some of the ringers. About a year after my residence a deputation waited on me to ask me to allow ringing to be started again.' To this he agreed, but only on two conditions. Firstly, the ropes were to be dropped to the floor of the church, and secondly, all the ringers were to sign a set of rules of his devising. Finding this acceptable, the Vicar called a vestry meeting and money was voted to put the bells in order; his rules were approved by the churchwardens.

Acting on sound tactical grounds the Vicar selected the ringers. 'Two I was not sorry to prohibit from touching the ropes, whose conduct in church had often been very offensive.' The advantage thus gained was put to good use—two more would-be ringers were admitted '... on a promise to abandon a custom of never attending the services, and chaffing the younger part of the female congregation at the churchyard gate.' To call this clerical blackmail would no doubt be uncharitable, but it surely carried with it the sweet smell of success. Sundays must have been rather dull subsequently, despite his boast '... from the date of their admission ... there are no idle chaffers at the churchyard gate.'

Many of the clergy of his time were convinced that the only hope for effectual control of unruly ringers lay in active participation, and 'C. H. W...' was of that mind. He learned to ring and within a year 'we had just begun to ring the 120 changes very creditably.' However, as he started so he meant to go on—'I was obliged to turn out one of the band for misconduct in the parish; a promising young ringer and a great favourite with the rest; but I felt it a matter of duty ...' One wonders whether he was a great favourite with the younger part of the female population as well, but it would be quite out of character to be told and consolation must be taken in the happy ending '... on the promise of good conduct for the future he was readmitted.'

Of ringers he says, with a final turn of phrase that would not have disgraced Macaulay—'If they are left to themselves, uncared for, or looked upon as outcasts and reprobates, what wonder if the proceedings in the belfry should still continue a disgrace to the parish, an annoyance to the parson and a crying scandal to God's house.'

The Camden Society, whose journal 'The Ecclesiologist' was, were enthusiasts to a man. For unbridled prejudice and spirited invective they have no rival now, but it would seem from the many articles on church bells and church bellringing that they had our best interests at heart. While many of us deplore the wrought iron communion rails, the stained glass and the acres on encaustic tile that are their legacy, we should perhaps be thankful.—Yours, etc.,

D. P. MORTLOCK.

Thorpe St. Andrew, Norwich.

## Richard de Wymbishe

Dear Sir,—I was interested to read Mr. Cyril Hancock's letter on 'A bellfounding transaction of 1312.' In this he refers to Richard de Wymbishe, a potter and bell-founder.

At Burham, in Kent, on the banks of the Medway, there stands a very ancient church, which until about 30 years ago possessed three bells. Of these the No. 2 bore the inscription in Lombardic capitals:

RICHARD : DE : WYMBIS : ME : FECIT

The lettering and floral ornament are reproduced on Plate VII of Stahlschmidt's 'Survey Bells and London Bellfounders,' in which we find his dates as c. 1290 to c. 1315, and a good deal of information about him. Unfortunately, the Old Burham church became redundant, until 1955, and the bells have been removed to New Burham Church, but whether Wymbis' bell is still intact the writer does not know. Although only 25½ ins. in diameter, it was deeper in tone than the tenor, which was 29 ins. in diameter (cast by R. Phelps, 1734, who cast the treble in 1700). This was accounted for by the fact that it was abnormally long waisted. It was the earliest bell in the county with the founder's name.

It is interesting to note that the No. 2 at Chalk, near Gravesend, bore the Lombardic capital inscription:

XPE : PIE : FLOS : MARIE

in the same lettering as the bell at Burham, but with a saltire cross-fleur, and a two-dot, not a three-dot, stop, and was therefore probably cast by a later man. The Wymbis foundry lettering is known to have continued to William Schen, Peter de Weston and William Revel. Revel cast the tiny bell at Logfield, Kent, and de Weston the fourth at Bethersden, and the former tenor at Sutton-at-Hone, recast by Mears in 1862. He left a cousin, Thomas de Weston, and possibly the Chalk bell is his, but he died in 1347, after only two years' business and so, apparently, did the lettering, so it is doubtful whether there is any direct connection with Whitechapel. Chalk bells were rehung by Bowell's of Ipswich about 30 years ago, and the writer does not know whether the No. 2 still exists.—Yours faithfully,

Whitstable, Kent

DAVID CAWLEY.

## Pyes and Morpeth

Dear Sir,—The name 'Pye' is very interesting to us. A schoolgirl friend who joined us was Maggie Pye; there are also two sisters at our school and Sunday School of that name. I have shown them recent 'Ringing Worlds' and Maggie was delighted to read them, especially December 27th (front page) and January 10th (pages 24 and 25).—Yours sincerely,

JANE SKEE ARMSTRONG (Mrs.) Morpeth.

## Complete List Wanted

Dear Sir,—The list of leading peal ringers is of interest to many, myself included. Would it be too much for someone with a passion for detail to provide a complete list for publication in place of the present haphazard arrangement?—Yours faithfully,

JOHN CAMP.

Jesus College, Oxford.

The Consett Iron Company's magazine for January contains a picture of the bell ringers of yesteryear associated with Consett Parish Church. In the picture are Lance Bowman, Jim Olver, Dick Olver, Fred Fraser, Bob Skelton, George Wilkinson, Bruce Hargreaves, William Rogan, Rev. W. C. D. Fedden, Alf Parry and Sam Stewart.

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# ST. PETER'S, MACCLESFIELD

By BARRY CORBISHLEY

ST. Peter's had a completely new ring of eight bells, tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 22lb., installed in 1947, and opened in May, 1948. Contrary to many expectations, they proved to have a delightful sound, and they are a joy to listen to. The instigator of this new ring was Mr. Fred Horsfield, who promised the P.C.C. that he would train a band of ringers in time for the opening. This he did, and the bells were heard in peal for the first time rung by his band. Since I was one of these 'youngsters,' I have always taken a particular interest in these bells, and when the 50th peal was rung here, I thought I would do a bit of a 'Felsead' on them, and also on those who participated.

This milestone took 12 years, all but a few days, and was brought about by 59 ringers, representing 18 Chester Guild towers, and aided by 12 'foreigners,' representing Lancashire, Derbyshire, Staffordshire, Birmingham, Bristol and Cornwall. The Macclesfield Branch contributed 26 ringers, of whom eight were from St. Peter's. At the present time (as far as I can find out), 26 of the 59 ringers only ring the occasional peal, say not more than one a year, on average; seven only ring occasionally, Sundays or any other time; 11 have given up ringing altogether (five of these from St. Peter's); and three have passed on to richer pastures. This leaves 27 who, I presume, can be called regular peal ringers.

## LEADING RINGERS

The most peals rung by one person were 41—pretty good going. This was 'Joe' Whitaker, a one-time prolific and accomplished peal ringer, and tower instructor at St. Peter's for the last ten years. Close upon his heels was John Worth with 39, with Basil Jones next, who rang in exactly half of them. At the other end of the scale, 28 people rang in only one peal, and 11 in only two. Of the conductors, John Worth easily came top, with 24—practically every other one. Ken Lewis was the next with 15, but no one else called more than two. Only three people managed to 'circle' the tower. Joe was first, in the 16th peal, which was rung two-and-a-half years after the opening. Wilf Stevenson soon followed, and the peal which achieved this was also his last on the bells. He also gave up active ringing soon after, but I would not like to say whether there is any connection between these facts. The only other person to 'circle' the tower right up to the present time is myself, although several are very near.

The bulk of the 50 peals were rung by a band from Norbury (Hazel Grove), the well-known centre of ringing. Though not always the same eight ringers, Thursday night at Norbury was responsible for at least half the peals, and probably more like 30 of them. That J. Worth and C. K. Lewis between them conducted 39, with odd ones by others of their band, should be sufficient to show this. As is only natural, the other group of ringers to ring a number of peals on the bells were the 'locals.' The majority of these were in the early days, due to the promise of the local Branch of the Guild to help train a band, to Mr. Horsfield, and to the first St. Peter's

ringers, who had grown up with the bells. This was followed by National Service, and within the space of two years all the opening band were in the Forces, and around the same time Mr. Horsfield moved to a job in another town, so moving the clock back four years, to the beginning, but lacking the appeal of a brand-new ring of bells. The bells are not silent, I am glad to say, but there is the usual struggle for ringers. None of the lads who went in the Forces returned to be members of St. Peter's band, and only two (one of them myself) kept up ringing during or after National Service, even though several of them still live within sound of the bells. This is evidenced by the fact that the first 19 peals included 10 of Plain Bob, and only three Surprise, whereas the following 31 included 26 Surprise and spliced Surprise peals, the first 16 of them successively.

## VARIETY OF CALLINGS

While I have not been able to obtain full information on the peal ringers, over 30 different trades and professions are represented. The teaching profession is best represented, and students of a diverse number of subjects are almost as numerous. Here is a cross-section of the public who get involved in peals and peal ringing: motor mechanic, printer, salesman, shop keeper, nuclear scientist, window cleaner, engineers of all kinds, silk printer, weighbridge attendant, basket maker, reporter, decorator, typist, farmer, and farm worker, accountant, all the building trades, company director, tatter, postmaster, chiropodist, clerk, monumental mason, club steward, railwayman, policeman, architect, secretary, housewife, etc., etc. There were ten girls or ladies, of whom three were married, and five have since married.

As usual, Saturday was the most popular day for peal ringing (29), but Fridays (20), were very popular, particularly in the first three years, when there were more Friday evening peals than Saturday peals. The reason for this was the learners' peals, when local ringers could help out, and which at the same time did not interfere with the Saturday arrangements of the 'professionals' at Norbury. In spite of Lent, March was the month with most peals. Of the later years, though, there were no peals in Lent, as the Vicar with the baby didn't like those either, but this time for religious reasons. The present incumbent seems more favourably inclined towards the bells. All the winter months, and up to April were popular months, perhaps because it is a warm town tower, all these averaging one every other year. The greatest number of successful attempts in any one year was seven, in 1956, while in 1954 there was only one, but these must both have been exceptional years, as most seem to have stuck to the average, i.e. four-five.

## VARIATIONS IN SPEED

The variation in the speed of peals is remarkable. The first ten peals all took over three hours, the first three taking 3.25, 3.20 and 3.23 respectively. All these cannot be blamed on learners, as over half (27 to be precise) of the first 50 peals took three hours or more. Of the remaining 23, three were peals

of Minor. All of the last ten of the 50 were under three hours. The fastest peals were two at 2 hours 41 minutes, but these have since been beaten twice, with one at 2.36 and one at 2.30. However, very few peals are under 2.45, and the average seems to have settled at about 2 hours 50 minutes. For a new, very easy-going ring, with a tenor of only 7½ cwt., this seems slow, and various reasons have been put forward. Some say it is big wheels, others long bells. Some attribute it to the deep tone for the weight, others put it down to being on the loud side in the ringing chamber. I personally think that acoustics have a lot to do with it.

For those who like a peal analysis, here it is: Plain Bob—11 (ten in the first five years), Spliced Surprise—four to 22 methods, eight, Cambridge—six, London—five, Double Norwich—three, Yorkshire, Bristol and Grandshire Triples—two of each, and one each of Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Stedman Triples, Hanbury, Glasgow, New Cambridge, Macclesfield and Superlative. There were three peals of Minor, in five, seven and 35 methods. Quite an impressive list, when you think about it. For instance, how many towers have a peal of Glasgow? All peals were rung for the Chester Guild.

Well, that is about it. If you think that three years is a long time to collect the information and write these notes, you are right, because my interest came only in spasms.

## HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Ringling at the St. Albans District annual general meeting on January 18th was at St. Peter's before tea and the Abbey afterwards, and ranged from rounds on eight with 'harmony' provided by the rest to Yorkshire Royal and Bob Maximus. The Vicar (the Rev. W. A. Bradley) conducted the service at St. Peter's, and Mrs. Darvill and helpers provided tea.

The 'grand old man' of the area, Mr. Walter Ayre, was voted to the chair for the business meeting. The Misses L. Austin and P. Bligh-Cheesman, of Wheathampstead, were elected members. The secretary (Mrs. Coburn) presented the accounts. The District Voluntary Bell Fund, at £58, continued to rise because all the towers were in good repair and well maintained.

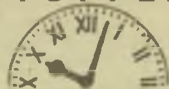
Mr. G. Penney was elected Ringing Master and Mrs. Coburn re-elected secretary. After a ballot the committee emerged as Messrs. R. G. R. Brown, J. D. Chamberlain, J. G. Cull, G. Dodds, G. Penney, K. J. Walpole and Miss C. M. Rimmer.

The Lent outing on March 21st is to Coventry Cathedral. Names, with 5/- deposit, to be sent to the secretary as soon as possible. A car rally is to be held on October 24th and a District dinner is being contemplated. J. D. C.

## PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN

All the officers were re-elected at the annual meeting of the Wellingsborough Branch, held at St. Peter's, Irthlingborough, on January 18th. Mr. A. Gibbs, of Rushden, thanked the Rector (the Rev. L. Vernon Rogers) for conducting the service and his address, and all who had helped make the meeting a success. He accorded a special welcome to the member of the Press present.

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## BRISTOL UNIVERSITY COMING-OF-AGE DINNER

THE 21st anniversary dinner of the University of Bristol Society of Change Ringers, held on January 25th, was the biggest and best so far. Everything helped to make it so, including the weather. For some, the week-end started early with arrivals in the fog on Friday night.

All the towers open on Saturday were packed, viz.: Emmanuel (Clifton), St Stephen's, St. James', the Cathedral, St. John's, St. Mary Redcliffe, Christ Church and St. Michael's. Ringing was up to Spliced Surprise Major, Stedman Cinques and Cambridge Maximus. The service in St. Michael's Church was conducted by the Rev. F. C. Vyvyan Jones, musical assistance being given by Society members.

At the 149-strong dinner, the toasts of 'The Queen' and 'The Church' were honoured on the call of the president, Dr. R. J. Brocklehurst.

The secretary, Miss J. D. Phillips, in welcoming the visitors, referred to the occasion as being a record dinner, the 30 in the annex party alone being only six less than at the first dinner. A welcome was extended to the guest speaker, Mr. Edgar Shepherd: the Master of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association (the Rev. F. F. Rigby); the Rev. F. C. Vyvyan-Jones and to representatives of other University Societies—Oxford, Cambridge, London, Liverpool, Southampton, Birmingham, Manchester and Reading.

Replying on behalf of the guests, Mr. Edgar Shepherd said it was a pleasant change to be on the receiving end of a dinner and to experience such hospitality. Ringers need never feel lonely: it is a brotherhood and whatever denomination and wherever one goes there is a welcome. He said this was particularly so in Bristol—a city of so many great names and traditions, where much good work for ringing had been done in the past and was still being done today.

On behalf of the University guests, Mr. John Camp, of Oxford, explained that he was speaking under false pretences as he was no longer Master at Oxford. He referred to the great success of the dinner, illustrating the unique position held by the Society in ringing circles.

### A YEAR OF ACHIEVEMENT

The Master, Mr. D. M. Sawyer, in a report of the activities of the Society in the past year, said six peals had been rung, including one of Bristol Surprise Major that morning.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Cary Branch

At the annual general meeting of the Cary Branch at Castle Cary on January 25th a membership of 197 full and 11 associate members with two new towers affiliated was reported. An act of remembrance for two members who had died (R. Higgins, Castle Cary, and F. J. Hillier, Wincanton) and a former Branch chairman (the Rev. J. F. Holt) was observed before the business started.

Officers elected were: Chairman, the Rev. G. S. Robinson; vice-chairman, the Rev. O. H. Skipwith; Ringing Master, Mr. D. M. C. Hill; secretary, Mr. L. McCreadie. Mr. Alan F. Lee was nominated as Association peal secretary.

One new member from Castle Cary, two from Evercreech, three from Henstridge and one from North Cheriton were elected, and Association certificates were presented by the chairman (the Rev. G. S. Robinson) to Patricia Adams, Susan Edwards and Barbara Randall (Evercreech) and Patrick Beer (Bruton).

Meeting places for 1964 are (subject to permission) Corton Denham, Cucklington and Charlton Mackrell, with next year's annual at Ditchet.

The chairman's invitation to visit Charlton Horethorne for a Branch Corporate Communion in October was accepted.

Votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar (the Rev. H. E. R. Everett) and the organist (Mr. T. Trowbridge) in connection with the service, the ladies for an excellent tea, and the local tower captains.

and a long length of Grandsire Caters attempted. Three coach outings had been held, one jointly with Reading University and one with the Bristol City Branch, the former enabling them to play 'Hunt the coach at closing time' in Swindon.

A summer cycling tour in Surrey and Kent had enabled some people to learn to cycle and all to enjoy ringing and youth hostelling, in spite of the rain. Recruitment drives at the beginning of the autumn term had yielded some very good results. Cupid 5 had resigned through old age and pressure of grandfather activities, and Cupid 6 has taken over. Between them they had achieved the remarkable total of five weddings and three engagements. Social aspects of the Society had not suffered, with cinema outings and skittles receiving full attention, not to mention goings-on in coffee bars. Handbell practices had been progressing well with the prospect of a peal soon—the first since 1955.

Drinking, handbells and chatting continued until about midnight, slides of Devon and Antarctica being shown for those interested.

The ringing on Sunday was of a very high standard and most people on departing vowed to come again in 1965.

## VICAR'S 'AT HOME' TO RINGERS

An old custom has been revived at Mansfield Parish Church by the Vicar holding an 'At Home' to the ringers and their wives. There was handbell ringing by the captain and his wife and also by many of the company of tunes and carols. A recording of the ceremony of the installation of the new ring at St. Mary-le-Bow was a novelty and one of the highlights of the evening was the Vicar (the Rev. A. M. P. Watson) singing: 'When I was a fair young curate.' As a mark of appreciation the Vicar's wife was presented with a bouquet of freesias.

## 35 YEARS CONDUCTOR AT A CATHEDRAL

A noted leader of ringing in Edinburgh has retired from the conductorship of St. Mary's Cathedral. Mr. Charles Raine has held this post for 35 years and his total service to the tower is 40 years.

At a largely attended social evening, which included a buffet supper, held at Darling's Regent Hotel, Edinburgh, he was presented with a fitted suitcase by Miss Kate Branson, who has succeeded him as conductor. Miss Branson paid tribute to his long and unselfish service and expressed the pleasure of all the ringers that he would continue to give his support to the belfry.

Contributions to the presentation came from past and present ringers and some of the choir and clergy. As a boy Mr. Raine was a chorister. In his thanks Mr. Raine said he could not recall any period when the enthusiasm and numbers in the belfry had been greater. He was happy to be continuing among them.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Northern Branch

The resignation of Mr. W. Love as chairman was received at the annual meeting of the Northern Branch at Norwich on January 18th. A tribute to his work was paid by Mr. Nolan Golden and the meeting extended its sympathy to Mr. Love. Mr. G. Sayer is the new chairman.

Other elections were: Messrs. C. Bird, secretary; P. Adcock, Ringing Master; W. Clover and B. Willgress, standing committee. R. Duesbury, W. Hohl, D. W. Pardon, C. Sayer and R. W. Wiles, branch committee. New members elected: Mr. Hammond (Honingham), Mr. J. Hohl (Mattishall, Burgh) and D. Mortlock (Norwich).

Meetings (subject to permission) for 1964: April 11th, Wroxham; July 18th, Honingham and Mattishall; October 24th, Reepham and Salle; annual branch meeting, January 13th, 1965, at Wymondham. Striking competition, March 14th. About 35 sat down to tea.

## DAVENTRY TO HAVE A RING OF TEN

Daughter is to have a ring of ten bells and a comprehensive order has been placed with Messrs. John Taylor and Co.

The old wooden frame, wherein the present eight bells hang anti-clockwise, is to be removed and a new metal frame for ten bells installed. The present treble, second and fourth bells are to be recast and two new trebles added to complete the ring of ten.

The ten will be hung clockwise. Of the ten bells, eight will have been cast by Taylor's, as the third, seventh and tenor were recast in 1951, 1915 and 1908 respectively. The remaining two old bells were tuned by the same firm in one of these schemes, so by the end of the year there should be a first-class ten.

The local company of ringers have undertaken the task of raising sufficient money to pay for recasting two of these bells.

## COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD Subscription To Be Raised

The Coventry Diocesan Guild at its quarterly meeting, held at Chilvers Coton on January 18th, decided to raise the annual subscription to 3s. 6d. for members over 18 and 2s. 6d. for those under that age.

The secretary, in moving the change, said that the Guild had been living long enough on the generosity of a few members, and he thought it was time that the subscription was raised to a realistic amount. As this would alter the rules it was proposed that it should be confirmed at the annual general meeting.

The Dinner Committee reported that this had been arranged to take place at the Lockhead Canteen, Leamington Spa, on March 14th. Members were advised that a letter had been sent to all tower secretaries asking them to see that the maximum support was forthcoming from each tower.

An interesting item proposed was that the Guild should purchase a duplicator and typewriter to cut down the cost of producing the annual report, and do other work where a duplicator would be useful. The total cost would be about £35 for both items.

Welcoming the visitors, the president (Mr. Frank E. Perrins) gave a special welcome to a past secretary of the Guild, the Rev. M. C. C. Melville. The annual general meeting will be held at St. Nicholas', Warwick, on April 18th.

The ringing before and after the meeting was arranged to cater for all tastes, and it was good to see so many young members present trying the ten bells of Chilvers Coton.

J. L. G. H.

## LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD Melton District

Some 30 members and friends attended the service at the annual general meeting of the Melton District on January 25th. The ladies of the District provided a splendid tea and the profit went to District funds.

The past year was reviewed by the chairman and the secretary in her report. Officers elected were: Chairman, Mr. J. H. Cook; secretary (re-elected), Mrs. M. Stimson; committee, Messrs. R. H. Cook and A. J. Stimson; Ringing Master, Mr. R. H. Cook. The present Guild officers were nominated en bloc. After the usual vote of thanks to the ladies, ringing continued.

M. S.

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## QUARTER PEALS

**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,440 Norwich Surprise Minor: R. Rayfield 1, Margaret C. Godfrey 2, E. G. H. Godfrey 3, P. J. Milton 4, C. H. Macve 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6. First in method by all except conductor.

**APPLETON, BERKS.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: H. C. White 1, G. Hollifield 2, N. Leslie 3, E. Drewitt 4, F. Messenger 5, J. Drewitt 6, F. Wilkins 7, D. Leslie 8, F. A. White (cond.) 9, H. White 10. Half-muffled in memoriam C. J. White.

**ASTON, BIRMINGHAM.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss C. Jennings (first quarter) 1, D. Finemore (first as cond.) 2, C. Lattimer (first of Grandsire Triples) 3, A. Burbidge 4, A. Short 5, E. J. Franklin 6, R. C. Ingram 7, A. R. Inman (first quarter) 8. For Evensong.

**BICKER, Lincs.**—On Jan. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. I. Fovargue 1, N. B. Fovargue (cond.) 2, S. S. Fovargue 3, P. Reynolds 4, E. Brown 5, W. Dawson 6, R. Howard 7, B. Pell 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Joseph Fovargue, grandfather of first three ringers.

**BIRKENHEAD, CHESHIRE.**—On Jan. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. F. Mack 1, C. A. Devall (first quarter) 2, J. H. Fielden 3, J. J. Fox 4, C. K. Cooper 5, R. S. Starkie (first as cond.) 6.

**BISHAMPTON, WORCS.**—On Jan. 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Ann Colett 1, R. Perks 2, I. Lloyd 3, J. Attwood 4, A. Berry (cond.) 5, A. Jopp 6.

**BOCKING, ESSEX.**—On Jan. 21st, 1,267 Cambridge Surprise Minor (6 and 8 covering): Julie Spurgeon 1, Jennifer Dye 2, Mrs. Moore 3, R. Suckling 4, P. Le Count 5, H. Moore 6, R. Lindsell (cond.) 7, M. Suckling 8. In honour of the golden jubilee of the Chelmsford Diocese.

**BRANCEPETH, CO. DURHAM.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Felicity Dicken 1, P. Darby 2, B. Redgers 3, Gillian Webb 4, L. R. Pizzey 5, W. G. Wilson (cond.) 6. Rung by members of Durham University Society for Evensong at the start of a new term.

**CHELMSFORD.**—On Jan. 21st, 1,276 Grandsire Cinques: Edna Frith 1, A. Everett 2, Ann Edwards 2, Jane Foster 4, P. M. Wilkinson 5, L. J. Clark (cond.) 6, P. Brown 7, R. Groves 8, J. Crawley 9, P. J. Eves 10, I. Panton 11, P. Rothera 12. For Festival Evensong to celebrate the jubilee of the Chelmsford Diocese.

**GEDLING, NOTTS.**—On Jan. 18th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss S. J. Dowse 1, Miss J. N. Challinor (first 'inside') 2, R. Marsh 3, C. R. Larkin 4, G. A. Dawson (cond.) 5, J. Dawson 6. A birthday compliment to Miss J. N. Challinor.

**GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.**—On Jan. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. W. Pipe (cond.) 1, C. R. Lovett 2, Brenda Downing 3, G. W. Pipe 4, Sylvia R. E. Pipe 5, E. G. Pearce 6, R. Downing 7, F. J. Crapnell 8. For the service of the Cross and Arrows.

**HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.**—On Jan. 19th, 1,280 Kent T.B. Major: C. Moore 1, Mrs. G. Moore 2, T. Spight 3, H. Tooke 4, R. Wiles 5, P. Adcock 6, W. Clover 7, L. Bailey (cond.) 8. Rung for the christening of Kevin Peter, son of the conductor.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On Jan. 22nd, 1,320 Bob Minor (Single Oxford, Plain Bob): Jane Dowse 1, R. D. Marsh 2, Ruth Blackshaw 3, J. A. Heaps 4, G. A. Dawson 5, M. W. Harrison (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. V. Wood, age 51 years, interred this day.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes', on Oct. 20th, 1,440 Cambridge S. Royal: Marilyn M. Barton 1, E. Jane Sibson 2, Diana M. Lawless 3, Mary S. Taylor 4, M. P. Barton 5, N. J. Davies 6, D. E. Sibson 7, J. Armstrong 8, J. C. Eisel 9, B. J. Woodruffe (cond.) 10. By London University Society for Evensong.

**MACHYNLETH, MON.**—On Jan. 25th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Miss K. Maylott (first quarter) 1, Miss G. E. Graney 2, Miss C. M. Hiscock 3, Miss G. Storer (first 'inside') 4, C. A. Lewis (cond.) 5, H. L. Hatfield (first quarter) 6. By the U.C.W., Aberystwyth, Society.

**PINNER, MIDD.**—On Dec. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): P. Sanders (first 'away' from cover) 1, D. E. R. Knights (cond.) 2, Miss M. Took 3, R. Sanders 4, J. Brown 5, H. Paull 6, M. Took 7, R. Rattenbury 8. For Evensong. Also on Dec. 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): K. Sanders (first away from cover) 1, D. E. R. Knights (cond.) 2, Miss M. Took 3, M. Darton 4, J. Brown 5, R. Rattenbury 6, R. Sanders 7, M. Took 8. For Evensong. Also on Jan. 12th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): R.

Rattenbury (first away from cover) 1, D. E. R. Knights (cond.) 2, Miss M. Took 3, R. Sanders 4, J. Brown 5, H. Paull 6, K. Sanders 7, M. Took 8. For Evensong.

**SAPCOTE, LEICS.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,440 Spliced Surprise Minor (nine methods): Rita Stratford 1, Christine J. Stratford 2, L. Watkins 3, J. Watkins 4, B. L. Burrows 5, M. E. Brown (cond.) 6. For the wedding of Miss Margery Taylor to George Ashcroft.

**STOKE BISHOP, BRISTOL.**—On Jan. 19th, 1,272 Kent Minor: Joan Gray 1, Edith Brocklehurst 2, D. Benley (first in method) 3, Rev. D. Sansum (first in method) 4, R. Brocklehurst 5, P. Gray (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**SWITHLAND, LEICS.**—On Dec. 15th, 1,260 Doubles: R. R. Brown (cond.) 1, A. Clark and J. Clark 2, R. Clark 3, R. Lloyd 4, R. Ellway and M. Copson 5, M. Brown and A. Copson 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam the Rev. J. (Uncle) Dransfield, who was for 15 years churchwarden before taking Holy Orders.

**TWEEKSBURY, GLOS.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Christine Hawkes 1, Anne Broxton 2, A. Halling 3, M. Hawkes (cond.) 4, Rev. P. Brett (first 'inside') 5, E. Leach 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mrs. Davies, widow of the former sacristan. Also on Jan. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: M. Boskett (first quarter) 1, Anne Broxton 2, P. Robertson (first quarter) 3, Nadine Price 4, M. Hawkes (cond.) 5, A. Halling 6.

**WESTON FAVELL, NORTHANTS.**—On Jan. 18th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: G. C. Paul (cond.) 1, A. A. Paul 2, P. Amos 3, R. W. Smith 4, G. F. Roome 5. First quarter of Stedman Doubles for all. Rung for the opening of Christian Unity Week. Also after an unsuccessful attempt to ring the first peal of St. Anthony.

**WHICKHAM, CO. DURHAM.**—On Dec. 29th, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): Glenys Wardhaugh 1, W. Davidson 2, S. Thompson 3, J. Crowther 4, M. Maughan (cond.) 5. For the carol service.

**WOLLASTON, STOURBRIDGE, WORCS.**—On Jan. 29th, 1,440 Surprise Minor (York and Cambridge): G. Westwood 1, J. Warr 2, M. D. Fellows 3, F. V. Nicholls 4, F. G. Handley 5, M. J. Fellows (cond.) 6.

**WOODBOROUGH, NOTTS.**—On Jan. 18th, 1,320 Minimus (three methods): Miss J. N. Challinor 1, R. Marsh 2, C. R. Larkin 3, G. A. Dawson (cond.) 4.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP

Four boys — pupils of Arnold School, Barton-le-Cley—rang 720 Bob Minimus at Silsoe, Beds, on January 18th as a last tribute to Mr. J. Delaney, B.A., a master at the school, who died suddenly on January 12th. The boys taking part were M. Butt, T. J. Capon, A. G. Harris and T. R. Harris. On several occasions scholars have rung at Barton Parish Church, under the supervision of Mr. H. Mann, for the end and beginning of term services.

Congratulations to the Oxford University Society on ringing their first peal of Surprise Maximus. The peal was rung at St. Giles', Cripplegate, conducted by Mr. Stephen Ivin.

The peal at Farnworth, Lancs, on January 1st was rung as a compliment to the Vicar (the Rev. P. A. Wrigley), on his appointment as an honorary canon of Manchester Cathedral.

Mr. C. T. Lamb has recently retired after 12 years as secretary of the Western District of the Durham and Newcastle Association, and not three years as was inadvertently stated on page 95.

Liss, Hampshire, has lost a keen member, Miss Susan Ellenor, with the rest of her family, has gone to Singapore. Unfortunately an attempt for a farewell peal of Doubles on January 25th came to grief after 44 minutes' good ringing. Susan, however, knows that the best wishes of the band go with her.

The peal at Tanworth-in-Arden was rung to the memory of the late Canon D. W. Lee, M.A., Vicar of Tanworth for 33 years, who died on January 9th. It was by his efforts that the bells were recast and augmented. Canon Lee was Canon Emeritus of Birmingham Cathedral and Rural Dean for ten years.

Here's a Sunday service record. At Halesowen Parish Church, Worcestershire, there has been ringing for every Sunday service, both morning and evening, since the lifting of the ban during the Second World War. Only on one Sunday were the bells silent at the request of serious illness of a nearby resident. 'We are very fortunate in having quite a keen band of ringers,' writes the secretary, Miss Molly Tromans.

Owing to a cracked bell Rickmansworth ringers were invited to join Slough in a quarter on February 2nd. Four came, but one could not participate having a badly cut finger. A further joint quarter has been arranged, and the gardening enthusiast has undertaken not to 'play' with his secateurs just before the attempt.

The Collection of Right Place Surprise Major Methods by A. S. Hudson and J. W. McClenahan is now sold out.

We are now informed that the peal at Llantrisant (page 99) was not the 50th together by Roger G. Harvard and David J. Llewellyn.

Having been silent for the last 15 months, the six bells of SS. Mary and Margaret's, Norton Subcourse, Norfolk, are to be quarter turned, retuned and rehung in a steel frame with completely new fittings by John Taylor and Co.

The Rev. Peter T. Robbins, Vicar of Charing, Kent, writes disclaiming the achievement attributed to him in the footnote to the peal of Cambridge Minor at Little Chart on Boxing Day. Alas, he still needs Royal and Maximus peals to complete the Cambridge family.

It was 30 years ago that the Rev. M. C. C. Melville attempted his first peal of Stedman Triples. He finally scored one on February 1st at St. Thomas', South Wigston—by ringing the tenor! Congratulations to Rupert A. Clarke, of Birstall, who also achieved his first of Stedman. The peal was also a sixth birthday compliment to David Andrew, son of Mr. and Mrs. Brian G. Warwick.

Great Glenn handbell ringers had a record collection this year of no less than £125 5s. This has been disposed of by grants to the following charities: Dr. Barnardo's Home, £25; Wireless for the Blind, £20; Freedom from Hunger Fund, £15; National Spastic Society, Imperial Cancer Research, C. of E. Children's Society, Lord Mayor's Holiday Home Fund, British Association of Hard of Hearing, each £10; Great Glenn Evergreen League of Friends, £5. The balance of £6 5s. was voted to the Bell Repair Fund. Last year's collection amounted to £106.

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## TWELVE BELL PEALS

## LEICESTER.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

On Mon., Jan. 27, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

## A PEAL OF 5042 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 25 cwt.

SANDRA C. CHESTERTON .. Treble	JACK P. KESTERTON .. .. 7
*DAVID G. WILFORD .. .. 2	ALAN E. HARTLEY .. .. 8
PETER J. STANFORTH .. .. 3	BRIAN S. CHAPMAN .. .. 9
DEREK J. TRANTER .. .. 4	†J. BARRY PICKUP .. .. 10
*REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. 5	E. ALAN JACQUES .. .. 11
SHIRLEY BURTON .. .. 6	JOHN M. JELLEY .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. IVIN.

Conducted by PETER J. STANFORTH.

\*First peal of Maximus 'inside,' and completes the Yorkshire family.

†First on 12 bells.

Rung to the memory of Arthur Debenham, who had a long association with the Cathedral band.

## BIRMINGHAM.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thurs., Jan. 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP.

## A PEAL OF 5092 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

MAURICE C. HUGHES.. .. Treble	DAVID J. PURNELL .. .. 7
MURIEL REAY .. .. 2	GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 8
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 3	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 9
CHARLES A. S. WEBB.. .. 4	FREDERICK ROSS.. .. 10
GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 5	CLIFFORD A. BARRON.. .. 11
RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 6	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

LIVERPOOL, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 4 Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST. NICHOLAS, PIERHEAD.

## A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

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

TUDOR P. EDWARDS.. .. Treble	*PETER WATSON .. .. 7
NEIL BENNETT .. .. 2	JOHN ROBINSON.. .. 8
*V. DAVID JENNER .. .. 3	DEREK BUTTERWORTH .. .. 9
B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. 4	JAMES PAILING .. .. 10
DEREK A. ASHTON .. .. 5	JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. 11
CYRIL CROSTHWAITE .. .. 6	DENIS MOTTERSHEAD .. .. Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH.

Conducted by TUDOR P. EDWARDS.

\*First peal on 12 bells.

## WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 33 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS AND ST. LAWRENCE,

## A PEAL OF 5016 PLAIN BOB MAXIMUS

Tenor 38½ cwt.

*PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. Treble	†MONICA M. MOORE .. .. 7
*AIDAN ST. J. BOYACK .. .. 2	†DENNIS A. HEWITT .. .. 8
*FRANK V. GANT.. .. 3	†ANDREW J. SALISBURY .. .. 9
†DENNIS ELLISON .. .. 4	†ROBERT J. CHAPMAN.. .. 10
†JOAN SPREADBURY .. .. 5	†MICHAEL J. HALLET .. .. 11
FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 6	*ALFRED J. HOUSE .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

\*First peal of Plain Bob Maximus. †First on 12. ‡First of Maximus.

Rung to mark the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Diocese of Chelmsford.

## TEN BELL PEALS

## BIRMINGHAM.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thurs., Jan. 23, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PUDSEY SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

MAURICE C. HUGHES.. .. Treble	GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 6
MURIEL REAY .. .. 2	RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 7
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 3	NORMAN J. GOODMAN.. .. 8
MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. 4	GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 9
EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. 5	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY (No. 2).

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

## APPLETON, BERKSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Jan. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE.

## A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in E.

NORMAN LESLIE .. .. Treble	FREDERICK SHARPE .. .. 6
JOHN DREWITT .. .. 2	BRIAN R. WHITE .. .. 7
EDWIN DREWITT.. .. 3	FREDERICK C. WHITE.. .. 8
WALTER F. JUDGE .. .. 4	FRANCIS A. WHITE .. .. 9
DENNIS LESLIE .. .. 5	HARRY WHITE .. .. Tenor

Composed by G. HOLIFIELD.

Conducted by BRIAN R. WHITE.

Rung half-muffled in memory of Cuthbert G. White.

## WRINGTON, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

RICHARD J. BOWDEN .. Treble	PETER BRIDLE .. .. 6
MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. 2	JAMES R. TAYLOR .. .. 7
*ERIC T. LEE .. .. 3	GWILYM SALMON .. .. 8
†GEOFFREY H. PULLIN .. .. 4	PHILIP M. J. GRAY .. .. 9
VICTOR G. ROBERTS.. .. 5	JOHN H. GILBERT.. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by JOHN H. GILBERT.

\*First peal of Royal in the method. †First of Royal. First of Yorkshire on the bells. Tenor 37 cwt. 13 lb.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## BIRMINGHAM.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Sat., Nov. 30, 1963, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in A.

MAURICE C. HUGHES.. .. Treble	EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. 5
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 2	RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 6
MARYL R. CROSTHWAITE.. 3	DAVID J. ALLEN .. .. 7
GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 4	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

## BALDOCK, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 21, 1963, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 26 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in D.

JACK S. DEAR .. .. Treble	PETER J. COLES .. .. 5
*ERIC EDMONDSON .. .. 2	COLIN A. S. HARWOOD .. 6
VERNON GREEN .. .. 3	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 7
*LEONARD B. SCOOT .. .. 4	PHILIP MEHEW .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEVEN IVIN.

Conducted by J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE.

\*First peal of Major in the method.

## STEPNEY, E.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTAN AND ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Middleton's.	Tenor 28½ cwt.
RAYMOND G. COUSINS .. Treble	JOHN H. CRAMPION .. .. 5
JANE K. A. COOK .. .. 2	DENNIS A. HEWITT .. .. 6
AIDAN ST. J. BOYACK .. .. 3	JOHN ARMSTRONG .. .. 7
*LEONARD E. FOX .. .. 4	MICHAEL P. MORETON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN H. CRAMPION.

\*First peal of Cambridge Surprise Major.

## ADLINGTON, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL.

## A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

(The 'Cannon' Peal.)

Tenor 13½ cwt.

STANLEY WALMSLEY .. Treble	THOMAS TURNER .. .. 5
LAWRENCE WALMSLEY .. 2	FREDERICK W. BROWNLOW 6
*BETTY FAUNCH .. .. 3	†JAMES E. SUMNER .. .. 7
†PAULINE TURNER .. .. 4	BERNARD MOSS .. .. Tenor

Composed by FRANK C. W. KNIGHT.

Conducted by BERNARD MOSS.

\*First peal of Major in the method. †First of Major.

Rung for the Patronal Festival; also a farewell to the Rev. J. E. Platt, curate.

## EAST MEON, HAMPSHIRE.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 19½ cwt.

JOHN CARTER'S THREE-LEAD COURSE.	
KEITH SANSON .. .. Treble	JOHN F. M. MAYBREY .. 5
*MARY E. WHITE .. .. 2	ANTHONY V. QUEEN.. .. 6
CHARLES E. BASSETT .. .. 3	*DEREK J. WHITE .. .. 7
KENNETH A. TIPPER.. .. 4	KENNETH G. WALLER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES E. BASSETT.

\*First peal of Triples.

An eighth birthday compliment to Rachel Lawry, daughter of the Vicar; also a farewell to Susan Ellenor, of Liss, who is leaving for Singapore on February 1st.

## LONG ASHTON, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5056 WHITWICK SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 30 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb.

JENNIFER M. TAYLOR.. Treble	JOHN BRAIN .. .. 5
GEOFFREY H. PULLIN.. .. 2	JAMES R. TAYLOR .. .. 6
MIKAELA ERIK .. .. 3	DON C. EXELL .. .. 7
PHILIP M. J. GRAY .. .. 4	JOHN H. GILBERT .. .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by JOHN H. GILBERT.

First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.



MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 3 Hours 5 Minutes.

At CHRIST CHURCH.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb.

*JAMES S. BAKER .. .. Treble	FRANK MORTON .. .. 5
NORMAN SHERRATT .. .. 2	WALTER SHERRATT .. .. 6
RAYMOND J. BALLARD .. .. 3	ROY WORRALL .. .. 7
PAUL J. ATKINS .. .. 4	HARRY W. HOWARD .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES.

Conducted by HARRY W. HOWARD.

\* First peal on eight bells.

Rung after meeting short for Royal.

NETHERTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

At THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 lb. in F sharp.

*DAVID J. BATES .. .. Treble	DAVID J. CADWALLADER .. 5
*MICHAEL I. CADWALLADER .. 2	JOHN F. ASTBURY .. .. 6
ARTHUR H. HINGLEY .. .. 3	†ROGER STAITE .. .. 7
†BRIAN H. MORETON .. .. 4	MAURICE G. TURNER .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by MAURICE G. TURNER.

\* First peal of Major. † First attempt, and first 'louch' in the method.

RADCLIFFE, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In seven methods, comprising 768 each of Cambridge, London, Pudsey, Rutland and Superlative, 640 Bristol, 576 Yorkshire; with 142 changes of method.

CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE .. Treble	*RICHARD J. PARKER .. .. 5
JEAN M. PAILING .. .. 2	JAMES H. PAILING .. .. 6
*PHILIP J. CROSSTHWAITE .. 3	NORMAN SMITH .. .. 7
ERNEST BENNETT .. .. 4	J. BARRY PICKUP .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NORMAN SMITH.

\* First peal of Spliced Surprise.

ST. BEES, CUMBERLAND.

THE CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOC.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

At THE PRIORY CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND BEGA.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 10 lb. in F.

*M. KATE DENT .. .. Treble	HAROLD WILSON .. .. 5
JAMES E. DICKINSON .. .. 2	NICHOLAS M. NEWBY, JUN. .. 6
JAMES E. BURLIS .. .. 3	THOMAS F. METCALFE .. .. 7
NICHOLAS M. NEWBY .. .. 4	ALAN CAPSTICK .. .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY.

Conducted by ALAN CAPSTICK.

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

To mark the birth of a grand-daughter to the Rev. Canon W. R. M. Chaplin, president of the Cumberland and North Westmorland Association.

TANWORTH-IN-ARDEN, WARWICKSHIRE.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN.

**A PEAL OF 5090 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt.

H. JAMES TURNER .. .. Treble	GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 5
MURIEL REAY .. .. 2	DAVID VOKES .. .. 6
NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 3	FREDERICK ROSS .. .. 7
RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 4	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. Tenor

Composed by BRIAN D. PRICE.

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Johnson's variation. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in F sharp.

S. ARTHUR READ .. .. Treble	DAVID T. H. ROBERTSON .. 5
ALAN TUBB .. .. 2	*HAROLD L. PARFREY .. .. 6
*DAVID A. BURT .. .. 3	GEORGE J. HAWKINS .. .. 7
ALAN F. LEB .. .. 4	D. JOHN HUNT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE J. HAWKINS.

\* First peal of Surprise Major. First of Surprise Major as conductor. Rung for the dedication festival.

PACKWOOD, WARWICKSHIRE.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM

On Mon., Jan. 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 16 Minutes.

At THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.

**A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in B.

ROGER E. TALLIS .. .. Treble	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 5
*MAURICE C. HUGHES .. .. 2	PETER S. BENNETT .. .. 6
IAN C. MAYCOCK .. .. 3	GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 7
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 4	RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. Tenor

Composed by NORMAN SMITH.

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

\* First peal in the method.

COLLINGHAM, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Jan. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

At THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD.

**A PEAL OF 5024 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 9 cwt.

IRIS LEMARE .. .. Treble	H. DAVID HOLLAND .. .. 5
JAMES S. WEBB .. .. 2	HAROLD B. SCHOFIELD .. 6
BARRY SULLIVAN .. .. 3	*S. BARRY SCHOFIELD .. 7
MRS. H. B. SCHOFIELD .. 4	LEONARD GOODALL .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by LEONARD GOODALL.

\* 100th peal for the Yorkshire Association.

BATLEY, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

At THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5408 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In nine methods, being 1,024 London, 800 Watford, 768 Bristol, 640 Cambridge, 512 each Dorchester and Pudsey, 416 Cassiobury, 384 Superlative, 352 Lincoln; with 123 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell.

JAMES THORLEY .. .. Treble	DONALD H. NIBLETT .. .. 5
HOWARD SCOTT .. .. 2	GORDON BENFIELD .. .. 6
W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. .. 3	VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. .. 7
JEANNE E. BOTTOMLEY .. 4	RICHARD E. PRICE .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN.

Conducted by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

BENINGTON, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

At THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt.

TERRY R. HATCHETT .. Treble	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 5
ERIC EDMONDSON .. .. 2	VERNON GREEN .. .. 6
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 3	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 7
PETER J. COLES .. .. 4	JACK S. DEAR .. .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY.

BIRSTWITH, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

At THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.

**A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. in G.

MARGARET E. WILKINSON .. Treble	EDWARD HUDSON .. .. 5
JAMES S. WEBB .. .. 2	JOHN A. BROWN .. .. 6
CYRIL F. SUTCLIFFE .. .. 3	H. DAVID HOLLAND .. .. 7
MRS. H. D. HOLLAND .. 4	CHARLES H. MAXFIELD .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD.

Conducted by H. DAVID HOLLAND.

A wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Holland.

BLOXHAM, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.

At THE CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF BLOXHAM.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb. in D flat.

*PETER G. HOLDEN .. Treble	†BRIAN W. HALL .. .. 5
†FREDERICK W. SODEN .. 2	†PETER D. BEEDIE .. .. 6
D. KAY ADKINS .. .. 3	DENNIS KNOX .. .. 7
†PETER PEARCE .. .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of Surprise. † First in the method.

BRIDGEND, GLAMORGAN.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours.

At THE CHURCH OF ST. ILLTYD.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 15 cwt.

*SALLY BEHEMMA .. Treble	†MICHAEL PILGRIM .. .. 5
ELIZABETH BROWN .. .. 2	WILLIAM T. PETTY .. .. 6
THOMAS YEOMANS .. .. 3	WILLIAM DARE .. .. 7
NIGEL CROWTHER .. .. 4	JACK PRYOR .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM DARE.

\* First peal. † First in the method.

CLAYBROOKE PARVA, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

At THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb. in E flat.

GEOFFREY M. BREWIN .. Treble	JOHN VERNON .. .. 5
*MALCOLM E. WADE .. .. 2	ALAN E. HARTLEY .. .. 6
R. KINGSLEY MASON .. 3	†ROLAND H. COOK .. .. 7
J. BARRY PICKUP .. .. 4	A. MAXWELL LINDSEY .. Tenor

Composed by SHIRLEY BURTON.

Conducted by R. KINGSLEY MASON.

\* First peal of Surprise 'inside.' † 100th peal for the Guild.



**FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS**

SANDON, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 14, 1963, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In 16 methods, being three extents each of New, Huntspill, St. Vedast, St. Osmund, St. Martin, St. Simon, St. Nicholas, St. Remigius, Winchendon Place and Plain Bob, and two each of Stedman, Westminster II, Blackburn Place, St. Hilary, Grandsire and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob.

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. in G sharp.

MARGARET M. RODEN .. Treble	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 3
TERRY R. HATCHETT .. 2	PHILIP MEHEW .. 4

JACK S. DEAR .. Tenor

Conducted by J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE.

A compliment to Miss A. Sanderson and Mr. C. Worboys, who were married at this church this day.

BIRKENHEAD, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Wirral Branch.)

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In seven methods, being six extents each of Grandsire, Plain Bob, April Day, Reverse Canterbury, Clifford's Pleasure, St. Martin and St. Leonard.

Tenor 11 cwt. 9 lb. in G.

*FRANK B. FROST .. Treble	*ROBERT PEERS .. 4
†R. HARRY DAVIES .. 2	ALEXANDER J. MARTIN .. 5
*F. LESLIE COVENTRY .. 3	*DAVID A. WHITE .. Tenor

Conducted by ALEXANDER J. MARTIN.

\* First peal attempt. † First 'inside.' ‡ First of Doubles. § First in seven methods.

A wedding compliment to Mr. Stephen Ash and Miss D. Jones, married at St. Paul's, Tranmere, this day.

CRANFORD, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTON.

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Being four compositions and three reverses. Tenor 7 cwt.

JOHN HILL .. Treble	*THOMAS J. LOCK .. 4
ELSIE K. HART .. 2	†DEREK FOWLES .. 5
H. GEORGE HART .. 3	FRANK T. BLAGROVE .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK T. BLAGROVE.

\* 800th peal. † First of Surprise. John Hill has 'circled the tower' in six peal attempts.

Rung to celebrate the birth of a daughter, Mary Hazel, to Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sansom.

KING'S LANGLEY, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being one extent each of Fulbeck, Double Bob, Thelwall, Childwall, St. Clement's, Double Oxford and Plain Bob: rung on the back six.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

D. JOSEPH GOODMAN .. Treble	PETER W. HARPER .. 4
*RONALD W. R. PICTON .. 2	KEITH D. WAPLES .. 5
*ROBERT J. PICTON .. 3	BRIAN M. BARKER .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN M. BARKER.

\* First peal in seven methods. First of Minor as conductor. First in seven methods by the local band.

LAPWORTH, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE BIRMINGHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.

On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being three extents of Plain Bob, two of Oxford T.B. and two of Kent T.B.

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

*ROSEMARY A. TAILBY .. Treble	†STEPHEN W. BARTON .. 4
CHRISTOPHER S. NOKES .. 2	*ALISTAIR MACFADYEN .. 5
CHRISTOPHER J. BROWN .. 3	GEOFFREY DAVIES .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY DAVIES.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. † First on tower bells. ‡ First 'inside.'

PETERBOROUGH, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.  
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being one extent each of Single Oxford, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.

GILBERT F. COWLIN .. Treble	†ROY W. SPENCER .. 4
WENDY HOLLOWELL .. 2	RAYMOND H. DAW .. 5
*FRANK E. COLES .. 3	*PETER M. FLECKNEY .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER M. FLECKNEY.

\* First peal in seven Minor methods. † 50th peal.

QUENIBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

C.C.C. Nos. 55, 49, 54, 34, 52, 48, 29/28. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in G.

*FREDERICK FAULKNER .. Treble	BRIAN G. WARWICK .. 4
†B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. 2	ROGER I. KENDRICK .. 5
MALCOLM D. BARSBY .. 3	†J. RICHARD PERKINS .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

\* First peal. † 25th peal together.

A birthday compliment to Ernest F. Payne, of Syston.

STOKE D'ABERNON, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 5 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in five methods, viz.: (1) Kent Treble Bob, (2) Grandsire, (3) Plain Bob, (4) Spliced St. Clement's and Plain Bob, (5) Childwall, (6 and 7) Plain Bob. Tenor 3 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. in E flat.

*NORMAN F. EDWARDS .. Treble	ROSAMUND M. RAWLINGS .. 4
ROBERT J. COOLES .. 2	JUDITH GEIRINGER .. 5
*RUTH CARR .. 3	MICHAEL J. UPHILL .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL J. UPHILL.

\* First peal attempt. † First of Minor. First of five Minor for all, and most methods to a peal for all except ringer of fourth and the conductor.

A compliment to Reuben Sanders on attaining the age of 90.

ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Jan. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES**

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb.

BERNICE STANSFIELD .. Treble	ROGER LEIGH .. 4
JUDITH P. WINTERBOTTOM .. 2	ROBERT A. BOLT .. 5
ANTONY J. HELLWELL .. 3	ROBERT J. ARMSTRONG .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT A. BOLT.

Rung for the start of the 200th anniversary of the reopening of St. James' after rebuilding.

LONGPARISH, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

On Wed. Jan. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 1 lb.

C. BALL .. Treble	F. TONGE .. 4
G. K. DODD .. 2	C. SMITH .. 5
P. A. GODDARD .. 3	R. CROOK .. Tenor

Conducted by G. K. DODD.

A birthday compliment to the ringer of the third.

ABBOT'S LANGLEY, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In four methods, being one extent of Oxford Bob and two each of Childwall, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

WALTER AYRE .. Treble	*DONALD A. BEDFORD .. 4
KEITH D. WAPLES .. 2	KENNETH M. DUNSTAN .. 5
PETER W. HARPER .. 3	BRIAN M. BARKER .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN M. BARKER.

\* First peal of Minor.

Rung for the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul.

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## ELSTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (four callings).

Tenor 9 cwt. 20 lb. in G sharp.

*JOAN CHALLINOR .. .. Treble	C. RAYMOND LARKIN .. .. 4
*ROBERT MARSH .. .. 2	GEORGE A. DAWSON .. .. 5
†JANE DOWSE .. .. 3	JACK DAWSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE A. DAWSON.

\* First peal attempt. † First 'inside.' First as conductor.

Birthday compliments to Miss Jane Dowse and C. Raymond Larkin.

## ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven different extents, in seven methods: (1) Norwich, (2) Cambridge, (3) Kent and Oxford, (4) Double Bob, (5) Plain Bob, (6) St. Clement's, (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt.

BARBARA M. GOODSPEED .. Treble	ERIC EDMONDSON .. .. 4
SHEILA BROWN .. .. 2	GERALD PENNEY .. .. 5
MARTYN L. J. JORDAN .. .. 3	MICHAEL D. FROST .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL D. FROST.

## SCOTHERN, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GERMAIN,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents of Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, Plain Bob and one of Oxford Treble Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

MARGARET A. PARKER .. Treble	W. STANLEY SMITH .. .. 4
JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. .. 2	CHARLES V. CADE .. .. 5
ANGUS G. DIXON .. .. 3	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY R. PARKER.

## WHISTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., Jan. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF 5040 ST. POLYCARP DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (three variations).

Tenor 15 cwt. 4 lb. in F.

ROGER W. SMITH .. .. Treble	PERCY AMOS .. .. 3
ALAN A. PAUL .. .. 2	GEORGE F. ROOME .. .. 4
GRAHAM C. PAUL .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by ROGER W. SMITH.

First peal in the method. Mr. G. F. Roome has now 'circled the tower.'

Rung on and for the Festival of St. Polycarp (A.D. 80-166); also as a farewell to the Rector, Rev. H. C. Robinson-Eltoft, leaving to take over the united livings of Collingtree with Courteenhall.

## LINCOLN.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Jan. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER-AT-GOWTS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in four methods, viz.: One of Single Court, one of Oxford T.B., two of Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lb.

WILLIAM R. PARKER .. Treble	ALBERT DRURY .. .. 4
FRED DIXON .. .. 2	WALTER TOMLINSON .. .. 5
JOHN F. PEARSON .. .. 3	PHILIP C. PITCHFORD .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PHILIP C. PITCHFORD.

First peal as conductor.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. W. Haynes, late warden and respected member of this church.

## STISTED, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Jan. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

In 30 methods, being seven extents: (1) Lightfoot, Wearmouth, Stamford, Rossendale; (2) Chester, Munden, Alnwick, Newcastle; (3) London, Wells, Cuncastre, Deane Valley; (4) Lincoln, Coldstream, Redbourn; (5) Beverley, Surfleet, Berwick, Hexham, York, Durham; (6) Cambridge, Ipswich, Norfolk, Primrose, Hull, Bourne; (7) Westminster, Allendale, Fryerning.

Tenor 10 cwt.

JENNIFER M. DYE .. Treble	DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. .. 4
*ROBERT J. LINDSELL .. .. 2	ALAN R. SYDER .. .. 5
JOE E. G. ROAST .. .. 3	PATRICK W. SALTmarsh .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PATRICK W. SALTmarsh.

\* First peal in 30 methods.

## PETER TAVY, DEVON.

## THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

On Thurs., Jan. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (ten callings).

Tenor 10 cwt.

WALTER H. MARKS .. Treble	WILFRED C. BOUCHER .. .. 4
MARGARET A. BOULD .. .. 2	D. ROY BOULD .. .. 5
HORACE HICKS .. .. 3	T. LESLIE CUNDY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by D. ROY BOULD.

First peal of Doubles on the bells.

## RYTON, SHROPSHIRE.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 17 Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Tenor 4 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb. in B flat.

*JOHN WELLINGS .. Treble	*JOHN WILKINSON .. .. 3
PHILIP G. K. DAVIES .. 2	†ALAN M. JONES .. .. 4
†REMI M. HODISTER .. Tenor	

Conducted by ALAN M. JONES.

\* First peal. † First of Grandsire Doubles. First as conductor.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## SWANSEA, GLAMORGAN.

## THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., Jan. 19, 1964, in 1 Hour and 59 Minutes,

AT 3, LON DERW, TYCOCH,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor size 14 in D.

*EDMUND MORRIS .. 1-2	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. .. 3-4
J. ARTHUR HOARE .. 5-6	

Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

\* First peal of Minor on handbells.

## WHEATHAMPSTEAD, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Jan. 19, 1964, in 1 Hour and 45 Minutes,

AT WAYSIDE COTTAGE.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor size 11 in G.

*SHEILA BROWN .. 1-2	†GERALD PENNEY .. .. 3-4
ROGER D. R. BROWN .. 5-6	

Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

\* First handbell peal. † 150th peal.

## NEW MILLS, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Jan. 21, 1964, in 1 Hour and 58 Minutes,

AT 36, PARKLAND AVENUE,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents (five different callings).

Tenor size 15 in C.

*BARRIE HENDRY .. 1-2	ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. 3-4
NEIL BENNETT .. .. 5-6	

Conducted by ROBERT B. SMITH.

\* First peal on handbells.

## ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Jan. 22, 1964, in 1 Hour and 59 Minutes,

AT 17, QUEEN STREET.

## A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 11 in G.

*BARBARA M. GOODSPEED .. 1-2	GEOFFREY DODDS .. .. 5-6
GERALD PENNEY .. .. 3-4	JOYCE DODDS .. .. 7-8

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS. Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

\* First peal of Major.

## BUSHEY, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Jan. 24, 1964, in 1 Hour and 40 Minutes,

AT 5, MOAT CLOSE.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of London Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, St. Clement's Bob, Double Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor size 7 in D.

S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN .. 1-2	ROGER BALDWIN .. .. 3-4
GERALD PENNEY .. .. 5-6	

Conducted by ROGER BALDWIN.

## HARROW, MIDDLESEX.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Jan. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes,

AT 170, HEADSTONE LANE.

## A PEAL OF 5024 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In two methods, comprising 3,520 of London and 1,504 of Bristol; with 56 changes of method. All the bells do all the work of both methods.

Tenor size 15 in C.

THOMAS J. LOCK .. 1-2	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 5-6
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY .. 3-4	FRANK C. PRICE .. .. 7-8

Composed by J. W. PARKER. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

First time these two methods have been rung spliced on handbells.

## LEVERSTOCK GREEN, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Jan. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes,

IN THE SCHOOL.

## A PEAL OF 5016 PLAIN BOB MAXIMUS

Tenor size 22 in C.

*GERALD PENNEY .. 1-2	WALTER AYRE .. .. 7-8
†JULIA A. FELLOWS .. 3-4	†MARTYN L. J. JORDAN .. 9-10
†ANTHONY R. MANN .. 5-6	†MICHAEL D. FROST .. 11-12

Composed and Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal of Maximus 'in hand.' and of Plain Bob Maximus. † First of Maximus. First of Plain Bob Maximus 'in hand.' in the county. 450th peal as conductor.



## HALF PEAL

**ORSTON, NOTTS.**—On Feb. 1st, 3,000 Plain Bob Doubles: A. Foster 1, R. Marsh 2, J. Miller (longest length) 3, C. R. Larkin 4, G. A. Dawson (cond.) 5, G. Butler (longest length) 6.

## DATE TOUCH

**WIMBORNE, DORSET.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,964 Plain Bob Major: J. W. Blackwood 1, Christine Mould (first of Major) 2, R. G. W. Robertson 3, Judith A. Robertson 4, R. Sheppard 5, G. W. Elmes (first of plain Bob Major) 6, E. G. Mould (first of Major as cond.) 7, H. I. Pitman 8. First date touch for 1, 2, 5 and 6.

**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,440 Treble Bob Minor: R. Rayfield 1, Carol Cousins (first of T.B. 'inside') 2, C. H. Macve 3, Margaret C. Godfrey 4, E. G. H. Godfrey 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**BATHAMPTON, SOMERSET.**—On 1st. Feb., 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss M. Pidgeon (first quarter) 1, Mrs. B. M. V. Dobbie 2, J. E. Newman 3, D. Burt 4, H. Taylor (cond.) 5, Miss J. Spencer (cond.) 6.

**BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Miss H. Copperthwaite 1, Miss E. Pryke 2, V. J. C. Dale 3, R. J. Brown 4, Miss B. Fisher (cond.) 5. For Matins.

**BOURNEMOUTH, HANTS.**—At St. John's Church (Surrey Road) on Jan. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. A. Mitchell 1, Christine Mould 2, C. Bishop 3, R. Sheppard 4, C. E. Burt 5, G. C. Grant 6, E. G. Mould (first of Triples as cond.) 7, M. Jenkins 8. To welcome C. Bishop (3rd) back to ringing after his recent accident.

**BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFS.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Webster 1, E. Marion Key 2, C. Haynes 3, W. J. Leach 4, G. L. Ronbottom (first as cond.) 5, C. Harrison 6, B. G. Key 7, Jennifer Toon (first quarter) 8.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—At the Roman Catholic Church on Jan. 16th, 1,344 Erin Triples: J. M. H. Hunter (comp) 1, H. J. Muncey 2, K. J. Darvill 3, R. M. Damerell 4, J. A. Harrison 5, P. D. Lawrence 6, C. H. Rogers (cond.) 7, J. W. R. Quinney 8. First of Erin Triples for 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7. Also on Jan. 23rd, 1,280 Superlative Surprise Major: H. J. Muncey 1, C. R. F. Muncey 2, J. M. H. Hunter (comp. and cond.) 3, P. D. Lawrence 4, J. R. Hough 5, H. Foster 6, P. J. Bergdahl 7, C. H. Rogers 8. First of Superlative for 2, 4, 6 and 7. Also on Jan. 30th, 1,312 Little Bob Major: J. W. R. Quinney 1, H. J. Muncey 2, J. A. Harrison 3, P. D. Lawrence 4, C. R. F. Muncey 5, J. M. H. Hunter 6, P. J. Bergdahl 7, C. H. Rogers (comp. and cond.) 8. First of Little Bob by all.

**CARLISLE, CUMB.**—At the Cathedral on Jan. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss A. Callum 1, B. Redgers (first on eight) 2, B. Forsyth 3, C. Forsyth 4, J. Butterfield 5, B. V. Porter 6, J. Ling (cond.) 7, J. Boustead 8.

**CHRISTCHURCH, HANTS.**—On Jan. 28th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: R. Crampton 1, Mrs. G. W. Davis (first quarter Caters) 2, H. Harrison 3, B. Wright 4, G. Scragg 5, R. Ingham 6, A. V. Davis (cond.) 7, K. Derham 8, A. A. Price 9, R. Edwards 10.

**CLYST HONITON, DEVON.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples (from Holt's Original): Margaret Retter (first quarter) 1, J. Salway 2, Mrs. G. E. Retter 3, A. Holway 4, E. E. Retter 5, G. E. Retter (cond.) 6, C. C. Turner 7, E. R. Retter 8.

**CONGRESBURY, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (on the back six): Pat Joyce (first quarter) 1, K. Gatehouse (first 'inside') 2, E. Fisher 3, N. Anderson 4, A. Fisher (first as cond.) 5, F. Hughes 6. A 21st birthday compliment to the conductor.

**CROYDON, SURREY.**—At the Church of St. John the Baptist on Feb. 2nd, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: P. Humphries 1, N. Steere 2, R. Stevens 3, K. Taber 4, N. Brown (first of Major) 5, H. Pratt 6, R. Abbot 7, R. Davies (cond.) 8.

**EDINBURGH.**—At St. Cuthbert's Church on Nov. 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. J. Marriott 1, C. Snowden 2, F. E. Collins (first of Bob Minor 'inside') 3, Miss M. Wilson 4, R. S. Wilson 5, M. M. Peterson (cond.) 6. Also on Feb. 1st, 1,386 Grandsire Triples: Miss S. Mitchison 1, Miss M. S. Taylor 2, C. Snowden 3, Miss M. Wilson 4, R. S. Wilson 5, M. M. Peterson 6, M. J. Marriott (first of Grandsire Triples as cond.) 7, F. E. Collins 8. First of Triples 1 and 8.

**EDINBURGH.**—At the Cathedral Church of St. Mary on Jan. 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. Spence (first quarter) 1, Sally Mitchison (first quarter) 2, Kate Branson (cond.) 3, D. Linacre 4, C. Raine 5, I. Laing 6.

## QUARTER PEALS

**EXETER, DEVON.**—At the Cathedral on Jan. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Skinner 1, John Barnett 2, M. F. Lock 3, F. Wreford 4, C. Reeves 5, W. Harvey 6, N. Mallett (cond.) 7, J. A. D. Woolford 8. For Evensong on the back eight (Tenor 72+cwt.). A compliment to Mr. C. Glass on his 90th birthday, a past member of the Cathedral for 50 years and Ringing Master for 13 years.

**FARMBOROUGH, SOMERSET.**—On Jan. 22nd, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): R. Smith (cond.) 1, A. Perry 2, K. Baker 3, Monica Horseman 4, M. Heymann 5, J. Coombs 6. Rung to welcome the birth of a daughter, Judith Margaret, to Helen and Michael Marshall.

**FECKENHAM, WORCS.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (4, 6, 8 covering): R. H. Hunt (first quarter) 1, E. Styler 2, Mrs. J. Newton (first 'inside') 3, G. Stock 4, R. Spray (cond.) 5, R. C. Barker (first quarter) 6, J. W. Perkins 7, T. Griffiths 8.

**FOLKESTONE, KENT.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): Janice Saunders 1, Jane Hough 2, Rachel Sinden 3, Vivienne Dye 4, A. Berry (cond.) 5, J. Wellard 6. For the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

**GREASLEY, NOTTS.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Lyn Wilkinson 1, Mrs. P. Mary Beach 2, H. Lewin 3, Jill Harwood 4, D. J. Beach 5, N. Wiser 6, P. Nix (cond.) 7, C. W. Hodgkinson 8. First quarter 1, 4 and 6. To mark the dedication of the Hill Top Mission Church, Greasley.

**HAGBOURNE, BERKS.**—On Jan. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. Corderoy 1, J. H. Napper 2, Miss M. Thomas 3, Mrs. G. Churchman 4, C. J. Garlick 5, A. H. Webb (cond.) 6, M. Bishop 7, L. F. Cox 8. Rung half-muffled after the funeral of George Warwick, aged 91, former sexton and ringer.

**HARPENDEN, HERTS.**—On Jan. 25th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. L. Summerlin 1, Mrs. L. G. Coburn 2, Miss N. Thomas 3, A. Day 4, A. Wilby 5, L. G. Coburn 6, F. C. Jacklin 7, J. D. Painter (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**HEAVITREE, EXETER.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Jean F. Barnett 1, Jennifer Smith 2, Diane Lissenden 3, Ann Fellows 4, J. A. D. Woolford 5, A. Truman 6, F. Wreford (cond.) 7, N. Mallett 8. First in method 2 and 3. For Evensong. Also on Jan. 18th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: C. Yates 1, Jennifer Smith 2, Jean F. Barnett 3, Ann Fellows 4, M. Lock 5, C. Reeves 6, F. Wreford 7, J. A. D. Woolford (cond.) 8.

**HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,256 Little Bob Major: A. C. Grainger 1, Miss J. Peacock 2, S. Penfold 3, R. Brown 4, J. Fowler 5, J. Stephens 6, A. J. Salisbury 7, F. V. Gant (cond.) 8. For Matins.

**KINGSBURY EPISCOPI, SOMERSET.**—On Jan. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: H. Westlake 1, G. Rendle 2, W. E. Turner 3, A. Dyer 4, H. E. G. Jeaves (cond.) 5, R. Selway 6. For the birthday of Jacqueline Locke, grand-daughter of the treble ringer.

**LINTON, HEREFORDS.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): R. D. Brown 1, G. T. Cousins 2, R. Poston 3, K. J. Tyler 4, J. F. I. Turney (cond.) 5, P. W. Walsom 6. A birthday compliment to ringer of 2.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Neilson 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, R. P. Brotherton 3, Myrtle Cook 4, A. Lamb (cond.) 5, T. C. Uden 6. A compliment to Rev. J. W. Neilson on his appointment as Rural Dean of North Lympne Deanery. For Evensong.

**MARSTON BIGOT, SOMERSET.**—On Jan. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Shepherd (first quarter) 1, W. Mills 2, A. Bratton 3, G. Wareham 4, E. Bray (cond.) 5, F. Elliott 6. Rang on the 51st anniversary of the rededication of the bells and a treble added. Also as a compliment to the Rev. J. O. Pain on his retirement as Vicar.

**MAVESYN RIDWARE, STAFFS.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: C. T. Collins 1, C. W. Bowen (first 'inside') 2, L. Monk 3, Lucy Smith (cond.) 4, C. M. Smith 5, A. E. Dutton 6. For Evensong.

**MILDENHALL, WILTS.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. H. Stanning 1, R. Garratt (first quarter) 2, R. H. Green 3, A. W. Johnson (cond.) 4, R. A. Inglis 5. By the Marlborough College Campanological Society.

**MOORLYNCH, SOMERSET.**—On Jan. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. R. Crocker 1, Mrs. L. Crocker 2, R. Parker 3, A. Callow 4, F. J. White (cond.) 5, A. Bown 6. First of Grandsire 1 and 3. A birthday compliment to Mrs. A. Callow.

**NORTH BRADLEY, WILTS.**—On Jan. 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: N. Schwarz (first quarter) 1, P. Harding 2, A. Knight 3, J. Lucas 4, R. Knight 5, R. Mitchell 6, F. Sfarford (cond.) 7, G. Schwarz 8.

**NORTH FERRIBY, E. YORKS.**—On Jan. 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Lynda B. Dalton 1, J. Peacock (first quarter) 2, M. T. Wilson (cond.) 3, H. C. Palmer 4, K. Kirk 5, I. N. Goldthorpe 6.

**PENISTONE, YORKS.**—On Jan. 28th, 1,344 Stedman Triples: S. Armeson 1, Mrs. N. Chaddock 2, J. Bruce 3, D. Nichols 4, J. N. D. Chaddock 5, N. Donovan 6, N. Chaddock (cond.) 7, P. Walker 8.

**PRESTBURY, GLOS.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,259 Grandsire Triples: Miss W. Bird 1, Mrs. S. Drew 2, Miss M. Jackson 3, Miss A. Sadowska 4, I. Goulter 5, G. Drew 6, R. Dowdeswell 7, M. Maggs 8. Rung in honour of the christening of Julie Ann Wood on that day.

**RAVENINGHAM, NORFOLK.**—On Jan. 17th, 1,200 Doubles (six methods): A. Walpole 1, J. W. Forder 2, N. Cossey 3, G. Walpole (cond.) 4, M. Stokes 5. Rung for the induction service of Rev. J. Cummings.

**SAWLEY, DERBYS.**—On Jan. 19th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: G. Halls 1, Cynthia Webb 2, A. Humphrey (first of Major) 3, W. Simpson 4, D. Marshall 5, J. Harvey 6, C. Geary 7, D. Carlisle (cond.) 8.

**SCULTHORPE, NORFOLK.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: R. Hipkin (first quarter) 1, Miss J. R. Cooke 2, R. Gilham 3, G. L. Dye 4, G. Greeves 5, G. A. Cooke (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled in memorial Col. P. H. Labouchere, O.B.E., patron of the church.

**SLOUGH, BUCKS.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Pamela M. Jervis 1, G. R. Shelden 2, D. P. Hilling (cond.) 3, D. M. Hibbert 4, B. T. Lister 5, D. C. Bartholomew 6, W. Birmingham 7, M. Hatchett 8. For the Feast of Candlemas.

**SOLIHULL, WARWICKS.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,295 Grandsire Caters: G. E. Fearn 1, Muriel Reay 2, V. W. Rigg 3, M. C. Hughes 4, R. J. Cann 5, G. Palmer 6, T. J. Warner (cond.) 7, T. R. Hayward 8, C. Bragg 9, A. Crabtree 10. To celebrate the recent appointment of the Rev. H. Hartley, Rector of Solihull, as an Honorary Canon of Birmingham Cathedral.

**STORINGTON, SUSSEX.**—On Jan. 24th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Jean Horton 1, F. Brooks 2, J. Taylor 3, M. Davies (first as cond.) 4, B. W. Farhall 5, J. Charman 6. A 21st birthday compliment to J. Charman and birthday compliments to treble and fourth.

**SUNBURY-ON-THAMES, MIDD.**—On Dec. 1st, on handbells, 1,260 Bob Minor: M. Tyers 1—2, A. Tyers 3—4, D. Struckett (cond.) 5—6. Also on Dec. 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss D. Gibbons 1, P. Cranham 2, A. Johnson 3, M. Tyers 4, A. Tyers 5, D. Struckett (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also on Dec. 29th, 1,260 Bob Doubles: Miss B. Carter (first quarter) 1, P. Cranham 2, A. Tyers (cond.) 3, D. Brock 4, P. Brand 5, D. Struckett 6. For Evensong. Also on Jan. 12th, 1,260 Bob Minor: P. Cranham 1, Miss D. Gibbons 2, M. Tyers 3, D. Struckett 4, P. Brand (cond.) 5, A. Johnson 6. For Evensong.

**TADCASTER, YORKS.**—On Jan. 29th, 1,380 Grandsire Doubles: C. Banton (cond.) 1—2, W. Hick 3—4, S. Burnett 5—6. First quarter Grandsire Doubles for all.

**THORPE-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX.**—On Jan. 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. P. Mills 1, Mrs. D. Stuteley 2, Mrs. R. Rouse 3, E. E. Davey (cond.) 4, P. W. Mills 5, W. Downs 6. Rung for a family communion service on the jubilee day of the Diocese of Chelmsford.

**TITCHFIELD, HANTS.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Betty Daysh 1, P. Page 2, A. A. J. Buswell 3, S. A. Scott 4, W. F. J. Cope 5, C. E. Bassett (cond.) 6. First quarter since rehanging.

**TONG, SALOP.**—On Jan. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: H. E. Green 1, P. R. Johnson 2, A. D. Collins (cond.) 3, S. Illidge 4, A. G. Richards 5, A. Allsop 6.

**TURRAMURRA, SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA.**—On Jan. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss D. Putman 1, Mrs. J. B. Watts 2, W. Knight 3, G. Kaye 4, J. B. Watts (cond.) 5, G. Drew 6. For Evensong. Also on Jan. 26th, 1,320 Kent T.B. Minor: J. Rainsford 1, Anne Cowling 2, Helen Henderson 3, W. Knight (first 'inside' in method) 4, J. S. Clark 5, W. Smith (cond.) 6. First of Kent 2 and 3. For Evensong.

**WATERLOO, LONDON.**—At St. John's on Dec. 29th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss D. A. Deverell 1, Mrs. G. G. Meyer 2, Miss M. E. Powell 3, A. J. Hampton 4, W. D. Grainger 5, C. M. Meyer 6, D. G. Hollis (first of Stedman as cond.) 7, J. A. Laver 8. For Evensong.



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### BIRTHS

**BRUTEN.**—On Sunday, February 2nd, 1964, at Ebbw Vale to Audrey (née Stephens) and Denzil, the gift of a son, Richard John, brother for Anthony and Judith. 4117

**GOODYER.**—On January 23rd, 1964, in Sydney, to Margaret (née Winter), formerly of Bristol and Quedgeley, and Tom, of St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney, Australia, a daughter (Rachel Clare), a sister for Philip, Andrew, Judith and Geoffrey. 4133

**HAYNES.**—To Jane (née Thorpe) and Frank, at 102, Vicarage Road, Smethwick, on Monday, January 27th, 1964, a son, Stephen Paul, a brother for Frances and William.

### RETURN THANKS

Mr. Herbert Knight and family wish to thank their very many ringing friends, for their kind letters of sympathy in their recent sad bereavement. 4098

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

**KNIGHT.**—The address of Mr. Herbert W. Knight is now 6, Council House, Medhill, Wrington, near Bristol. 4097

**TOMLINSON.**—Will all friends please note that the address of Brian A. Tomlinson is now 216, Cedar Street, Blackburn, Lanes. Sorry no telephone. 4099

### PERSONAL

Be strong and he shall establish your heart: all ye that put your trust in the Lord. (Psalm xxxi. 27.)

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### MISCELLANEOUS

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Committee meeting at King's Head, Matlock, Wednesday, February 19th, at 7.30 p.m.—B. P. Morris. Sec. 4101

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—Notice for intended visitors to this area. Meetings will take place on the last Saturday in each month. Time and venue to be advertised in 'The Ringing World'. 4127

**OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.**—The annual tour will be centred on Oxford, from March 29th to April 2nd. Please contact J. W. Thorp, St. John's College, Oxford. 4126

**SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP, SOMERSET.**—Ringing has now been resumed again. Sunday ringing 10 a.m., also 5.15 p.m. First Sunday, induction of new Rector (Rev. P. Shepherd), March 5th, 7.30 p.m. Ringing 6.30-7.30.—John Cornelius, Tower Sec. 4120

**SURPRISE MAJOR PRACTICE.**—Holy Trinity, Guildford, on Thursday, February 20th. Methods: Bristol, Cambridge, Ealing, Lincolnshire, Rutland and Spiced Cambridge. Superlative, Bristol and London. 4125

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### MEETINGS

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Crewkerne Branch.—Practice meeting, Merriott (6), Saturday, February 15th, 7 p.m. 4113

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Chippenhams Branch.—Meeting, Lacock on February 15th. Bells (6) from 5 to 8.30 p.m.—H. Heath. 4110

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—Sandridge, February 15th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. S.M.: Carter's Principal. Names for tea to Mr. A. T. Hawkins, 23, Blenheim Road, St. Albans, Herts.—M. A. Coburn. 4080

**KELVEDON, ESSEX.**—Dedication of bells by the Bishop of Colchester on Saturday, February 15th, at 3 p.m. Bells available after. Numbers for tea please to J. Elliott, 28, Easterford Road, Kelvedon. 3996

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—S.W. District.—Alteration. Practice on February 15th at Ealing. Business at St. Stephen's 3.30 p.m., followed by ringing. Own tea arrangements. Ringing at St. Mary's 6 to 8 p.m.—F. T. B. 4082

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South Oxon Branch.—Quarterly meeting Tetsworth, Saturday, February 15th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to J. Godman, 22, Sunnyside, Benson. 4100

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—N.E. District.—Annual meeting at Halesworth (8) on Saturday, February 15th. Bells 3 p.m.—9 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Miss M. Branch, Fern Bank, Bungay Road, Halesworth. 4095

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Division.—Annual Divisional meeting, Henfield (8), Saturday, February 15th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Special method: Bristol. Names for tea please, to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierpoint. 4090

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting, Sprothorough, February 15th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names to Mr. E. Short, 'Kathlyn', Melton Road, Sprothorough, Doncaster. No. 49 bus every 20 minutes from Doncaster Station, under Gresley House.—J. J. L. Gilbert. 4083

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting at Sprothorough, February 15th. Details later.—J. J. L. Gilbert.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—Evening practice at Henbury on Monday, February 17th, 7.30 start.—H. Kingcott. 4068

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Axbridge Branch.—Practice meeting at Wick St. Lawrence (5), Saturday, February 22nd. Bells available 5 p.m.—M. Legg, Hon. Branch Sec. 4103

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Luton District.—Meeting at Woburn, Saturday, February 22nd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names, please, to 8, London Road, Woburn. 4102

**CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting at St. Cuthbert's, Darlington, Saturday, February 22nd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. R. Cooke, 116, Eastbourne Road, Darlington.—P. Wishart, Hon. Sec. 4123

**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Coventry Archdeaconry District.—Meeting at Bulkington on Saturday, February 22nd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, February 18th, to Mr. A. J. Hinde, 15, Church Street, Bulkington, Nuneaton. 4067

**ELY ASSOCIATION.**—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting, Upwell, Saturday, February 22nd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Tea provided.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 4112

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton Branch.—Meeting at Upper Cam (6) on Saturday, February 22nd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Tea for those who book only. Names to P. Mills, Church Street, Wotton, Glos. 4109

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Ledbury District.—Annual meeting at Bosbury, Saturday, February 22nd. Service at 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to J. Ward, Woodfields Farm, Coddington, Ledbury. 4106

**LADIES' GUILD** (Central District), **MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (South and West District), **OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD** (East Berks and South Bucks Branch).—Joint meeting, Saturday, February 22nd. Ringing: Hughenden 2.45-3.45 p.m.; High Wycombe 4 p.m. Service 5, followed by tea, film, ringing until 9 p.m. Please send names for tea by Tuesday, February 18th, to S. Bailey, 7, Cockpit Close, Great Kingshill, High Wycombe. 4066

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—V.W.H. Branch.—Annual meeting, Faringdon, Saturday, February 22nd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea at Salutation Hotel. Names, please, by Wednesday, February 19th, to R. F. J. Gilling, Branch Sec., Fernham, Faringdon, Berks. 4119

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Salisbury Branch.—February 22nd, practice meeting, Shrewton. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names by Tuesday, 18th, to G. A. Trimby, Sec., 24, West Street, Wilton. 4110

**SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS AND DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION** (Derby District).—Joint meeting at Attenborough on Saturday, February 22nd, at 3 p.m. Tea provided for those who send names to Miss A. Henson, Flat 4B, Oakland Court, Bramcote, Notts, by Tuesday, 18th.—P. Nix, Sec. 4115

**SOUTHEAST AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—Meeting, South Benfleet (6), Saturday, February 22nd, 3 p.m. Cups of tea 3.45. Service 5 o'clock. Ringing until 8 p.m. All visitors very welcome. 4107

**SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AND NORTH LEICESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Monthly meeting, February 22nd at Alvaston. Bells 3 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 19th, please, to Mr. B. R. Manning, 1, Old Hall Avenue, Alvaston, Derby. 4104

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—S.W. District.—Meeting at Bures, Saturday, February 22nd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by February 19th, please, to Mr. L. D. Mills, 'Lyford', Colchester Road, Bures, Suffolk. 4100

**SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division. Annual meeting at St. Mary's, Eastbourne (8), on February 22nd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5, followed by business meeting. Further ringing till 8.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. A. Purdom, 24, Wilton Avenue, Hampden Park, Eastbourne.—I. Smith, Sec. 4105

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—Quarterly meeting at Goole, on Saturday, February 22nd. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service in church 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. in Schoolroom. Names to Mrs. J. J. Taylor, 165, Fernhill Road, Goole, by Thursday, February 20th. Business meeting after tea.—H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec. 4100

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—Meeting at Great Chart, Saturday, February 29th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. K. Hobden, Lodge Place Cottage, Great Chart, near Ashford (phone Bethersden 396), by previous Thursday.—C. T. H. 4105

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Saturday, February 29th. Prior to dinner ringing will take place at Our Immaculate Lady of Victories, Clapham Common, 5.30-6.45 p.m.—M. Powell. 4116

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Central District.—Annual meeting, Church of the Immanuel, Streatham Common, February 29th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15, followed by tea and meeting. Further ringing till 8 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. Collins, 17, Hamilton Road, Thornton Heath (LIV 7370). Nearest station, Streatham Common (B.R.) 10 mins.: buses 109 or 133, Green Lines to and from Croydon pass church. Gentlemen cordially invited.—K. Lock, Hon. Sec. 4108

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch.—Annual general meeting at St. Margaret's, King's Lynn, on Saturday, February 29th. Bells (10) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. L. W. Houghton, 137, Norfolk Street, King's Lynn, by Thursday, 27th.—C. Tovell, Hon. Sec. 4122

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—South Oxon Branch.—Annual dinner, March 6th, 7.30 p.m. at Chicken in the Basket, Benson. All ringers and friends welcomed. Tickets, 16s. 6d., from A. E. Howes, 23, Didcot Road, Long Wittenham, Abingdon, Berks. 4114

**MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD.**—The annual general meeting will be held on March 10th at 8 p.m. in the Union. The annual dinner will be held in the New Millgate Hotel on March 14th, 7.45 for 8 p.m. All names for dinner to be sent to Jean Allen, Langdale Hall, Victoria Park, Manchester 14, by March 1st. 4118



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## SURREY ASSOCIATION

### Northern District

The six bells of Thames Ditton attracted many ringers to the Northern District's A.G.M. The service, however, was at Kingston Parish Church, with the Bishop of Kingston giving the address. His theme was the mathematical exactitude of bell ringing and the perfection of worship that ringers should strive to attain.

At the business meeting the committee's report for 1963 was presented. The highlight of the year was a social evening organised by the Putney band. It seems that such an event will have a permanent place in the District's calendar. Another encouraging event had been the introduction of a system of instructional towers. Splendid progress could be seen in the young people attending these courses in elementary change ringing.

Although 35 new members were elected during the year (six as a direct result of the instructional courses), membership showed a drop of eight to a total of 232. Thirty-one people were recorded. C. F. Mew being the leading ringer with nine, and also the leading conductor with seven. Eleven members rang their first peal.

The election of District officers resulted as follows: Master, F. E. Collins; honorary secretary, N. Steere; assistant secretary, B. Bull; auditor, R. F. Layton; committee, N. Bagworth, C. Mew and Miss M. Lewis.

At the conclusion of the business Kingston bells were kept going for the remainder of the evening.

Next meeting: Practice at Merton and Mitcham on March 7th. N. G. T. S.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD

### Central District

It was unanimously agreed at the annual meeting of the Central District, held at Eye on January 25th, that a framed photograph of Mr. Claude Rush, with a suitable inscription, be hung in Eye ringing chamber in recognition of his work for the restoration of Eye bells.

The District secretary suggested that summer meetings should take the form of visits to other districts or counties. Although the idea was approved, it was felt that quarterly meetings were designed to be held within the District so that there is an even spread of ringing throughout the county.

There was only one change in the officers for the coming year. Mr. Herbert Mitson had retired from the position of chairman through ill-health. His work during the past years is much appreciated. The new chairman is Mr. Harold Leathers. Mr. Leslie Brett joins the committee.

Meetings for the coming year: April 25th, Stradbroke (10); July 25th, Helmingham (8) and Framden (8); October 31st, Thornham (6) and Wickham Skeith (6); January 30th, 1965, Palgrave (8). Practice meetings: February 29th, Brandeston (8); June 6th, Finborough (6); September 19th, Cotton (8); November 28th, Redgrave (6).

Thanks to learned neighbours from the South-East District, some excellent ringing took place in methods such as Yorkshire, Cambridge, Superlative and Stedman. The Rector (Canon Lee) is thanked for taking the service and for the use of the bells. E. H.

WARSOP, NOTTS.—On Jan. 19th, 1,260 Brentford Bob Minor: P. Mellor 1, G. Challans 2, F. Cooke 3, R. Lucas 4, F. Flint 5, D. H. Rooke (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also on Feb. 2nd, 1,320 Old Oxford Delight: J. T. Rooke 1, M. Foster 2, H. T. Rooke (cond.) 3, R. Lucas 4, F. Flint 5, F. Cooke 6. For Evensong.

## LATE NOTICES

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Fylde Branch.—Meeting at St. Anne's Parish Church, St. Anne's-on-Sea, Lytham St. Anne's, on Saturday, February 22nd. Bells (8) at 3 p.m. 4128

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## MR. T. H. TAFFENDER'S PEALS

We are indebted to Mr. Harold Rogers for producing the list of the late Mr. T. H. Taffender's peals. Mr. L. Stilwell has also produced a list for the Central Council Biographical Committee, and the two lists are in line with each other.

An important feature of the majority of these peals is the very large number of first pealers. First peal in 1893 and last in 1957.

Total number 651 (including 22 'in hand'). Conducted 364 (including 15 'in hand').

Methods rung:

Stedman.—Triples 221 (conducted 153+1 silent), Caters 125 (73), Cinques 45 (17).

Kent T.B.—Major 59 (37), Royal 41 (19), Maximus 15 (7).

Cambridge Surprise.—Major 45 (25), Royal 10 (6), Maximus 3 (1).

Grandsire.—Triples 17, Major 1, Caters 15 (5), Cinques 2 (1).

Superlative Surprise Major 22 (12). Double Norwich Court Bob Major (including the record long length) 14.

Plain Bob.—Major 4 (2), Royal 5 (3), Maximus 1 (1).

London Surprise Major 4 (2).

Oxford T.B.—Major 1, Royal 1.

Handbell peals.—Stedman: Triples 3, Caters 13, Cinques 2; Plain Bob Major 2; Grandsire: Triples 1, Caters 1.

Associations for which peals were rung: London County Association 437, Ancient Society of College Youths 107, Yorkshire County Association 28, Sussex County Association 16, Oxford Diocesan Guild 16, Norwich Diocesan Association 15, Essex County Association 5, Bath and Wells Diocesan Association 5, Other Associations and Societies 22.

## GUILD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

### South-West Branch

The A.G.M. of the South-West Branch at St. Andrew's, Plymouth, on January 25th was a great success, a company of 60 ringers from a very wide area—as far as Launceston and Chepstow—being present.

The chairman (Mr. H. H. Thomas), in opening the business meeting, expressed delight of all that the Ringing Master, honorary secretary and honorary treasurer, Mr. T. G. Myers, was able to join them at the service, tea and meeting. He extended the Branch's best wishes that he would soon be able to take his place in the belfry, following his recent illness. Mr. Myers said he very much appreciated all the letters he had received from well-wishers all over the county.

The honorary secretary reported that the Branch remained steady with 81 members and he thought a little missionary work could bring this to 100. Miss Yvonne Porter, of St. Andrew's, had rung in 191 churches during the year, and for the first time in the history of the Branch a lady, Mrs. Margaret Bould, of Tavistock, headed the list of peal ringers with 25 peals and 25 quarters. Her husband, Mr. Roy Bould, had rung 24 peals and 28 quarters. Mr. Fred E. Day was continuing his good work as a 10 bell peal conductor.

A Guild certificate was presented to Miss Jarvis (Yealmpton). New members elected were: non-resident, Messrs. Sweet (Chepstow), D. Burnett (Truro), Miss F. Richards (Penryn, confirmed), Mrs. A. Grant (Lamerton), Miss P. Warden (Launceston), Miss Ruth Cundy (Tavistock). The Vicar of St. Andrew's (the Rev. Mr. Cavell) was elected an honorary member.

All retiring officers were re-elected as follows: General Committee, Messrs. J. P. Sims (Emmanuel), R. Bould (Tavistock) and D. Wheeler (St. Andrew's); Ringing Master, hon. secretary and hon. treasurer: Mr. T. G. Myers; auditor, Mr. H. O. Thomas (Emmanuel); chairman and Press officer, Mr. H. H. Thomas (Emmanuel).

The usual thanks were passed to the Vicar of St. Andrew's for conducting the service, to Mrs. Chaff and her helpers for an excellent tea, Mrs. Willis (organist) and the ringers of St. Andrew's for all they had done to make the meeting so successful. H. H. T.

HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.—On Jan. 26th, 1,260 Minor (Single Oxford and Plain Bob): D. Barker 1, R. Marsh 2, R. Blackshaw and J. Dowse 3, J. Heaps 4, G. Dawson 5, M. W. Harrison 6. Conducted by M. W. Harrison and J. Heaps for Evensong. Also on Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: W. G. Matsis 1, R. D. Marsh 2, J. Dowse 3, R. Blackshaw 4, J. Heaps 5, M. W. Harrison 6. Conducted by J. Heaps and M. W. Harrison. For Evensong.



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53246	x			
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23645	x			
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42356	x			
43526		—		2
53624		—		3
63425		—		3
32654	x			
25346	x			
23456		—		2

First rung at Prestwold (Leics), April 16th, 1960. Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.

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No. 7

By ERNEST W. TIPLER  
M W H 23456

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—		43526
—	3	53624
2	—	52436
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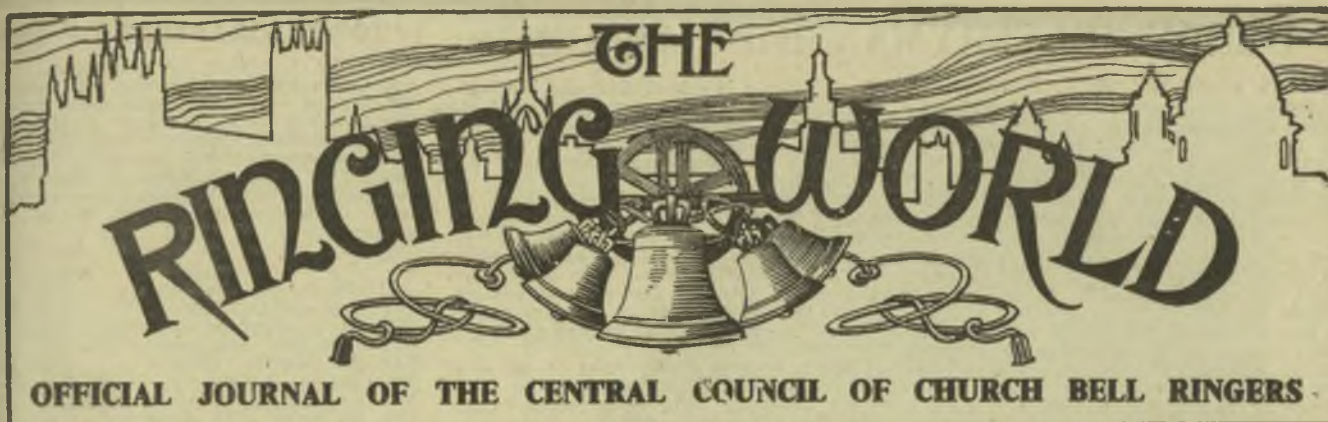
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## THO: PURDUE FECIT

BY THE REV. JOHN SCOTT

**K**EEPING a ring of big bells in working order has never been an easy job, and in the 17th century, when heavy, long-flighted clappers could drop all too easily on their leather baldricks and strike a bell on the lip, and chiming-hammers were not well understood, the mortality rate of big bells—at least in Exeter—was considerable. So that in 1675 the Dean and Chapter found that they had a job at the Cathedral which would test the skill of any founder living—the recasting of the 4 ton Peter bell. 60 cwt. 'Grandisson.' 2 ton 'Stafford' and 28 cwt. 'Cobthorne,' 'the Tenor or Greate Bell of the small ring.' The 'small ring' was the six in E flat of which the present fourth, 'Birdall,' was the treble; the back eight at this time was not a true major eight, as the second of it was the present flat sixth; its notes were in fact the front eight of a 12.

To give them expert advice the Dean and Chapter called in a certain Mr. Beavis, whom they had sometimes consulted about the organ. He must have been Exeter's resident musical expert; and it may have been through Mr. Beavis' recommendation that the Dean and Chapter decided to commit the recasting to one Thomas Purdue, of Closworth in Somerset—a tiny place which the Chapter clerk can't have heard of because he spelt it 'Colesworth' and had to correct it, presumably at Purdue's instigation.

Thomas Purdue was at this time 47, in the height of a career in which he could draw on the accumulated skill and experience of a great-great-grandfather, great-grandfather, grandfather, father and two uncles, all of them bellfounders of no small reputation. He himself may perhaps never have tackled such a task as this, but his father had cast the great 36 cwt. tenor at Queen Camel and the family between them had many big bells to their credit. So into Exeter, with a little caravan of animals bearing his equipment, came Thomas, to sign the Dean and Chapter's articles with his initials and seal them with his seal: for recasting the Peter bell, Grandisson, Stafford and Cobthorne for £260, including the cost of their rehanging by Purdue's hanger, Thomas Hart of Long Sutton. In addition to the contract price another £20 was to be awarded if the bells should agree with the critical ear of Richard Beavis, Esq.

Purdue's foundry is supposed to have been in the Deanery garden, where a house was built at the cost of £12, the furnace was built, the casting-pit dug and the work begun. The four bells were lowered and weighed and broken up, and the cores, patterns and copes took shape in the casting-pit. Purdue took some trouble with the look of his bells always, and he took extra trouble with these special ones. On the inscription-bands he used a handsome frieze of roses; between the words he used his stop of five little stars in the form of a cross, except on the Peter bell, where he used coins instead until, in the upper band of the inscription which reproduced that of the old bell, he realised that he was not going to have room for it all on one line. 'EX DONO PETRI COVRTENAY EPISCOPI EXON' he stamped in—'The Gift of Peter Courtenay, Bishop of Exeter'—with a coin in each space; but for the rest he used only the little 'sprigs' with which the whole inscription-band was decorated; 'ANNO DOM 1484 [one coin here] PLEBS PATRIAE PLAVIDIT DVM PETRVM PLE—'. But even with all his economy of space he still had 'NIVS AVDIT' to get in somewhere, and he had no choice but to put the word and a half, rather cramped, in the space below 'EX DONO.' The great Devon bell pundit, H. T. Ellacombe, never noticed them there, and reported that the inscription, which means 'The people of the land applaud when they hear Peter more loudly,' was incomplete; and I believe that every other printed mention of the bell has been based on Ellacombe and not on the bell.

Below this band of inscription is another, bearing the customary Exeter formula, 'RENOVAT EX IMPENSIS DECANI ET CAPITVLI EXON ANNO DOMINI 1676 PER THO PVRDVE.' Here Purdue used only one coin-stop, after the date, and left himself with plenty of space to spare, which he filled in with some of his rose-frieze.

Purdue made one more mistake on this bell, the sort which most people make sometimes—he spelt his own name wrongly! One can imagine his fury when he found he'd stamped 'PVRVE' on what was perhaps his masterpiece, but he just had room to stamp a 'D' in

the small space between 'R' and 'V.' 'Stafford' and 'Cobthorne' were decorated in the same way as the Peter bell, except that on them Purdue used no coin impressions and did not use the little sprigs around the letters.

Bell-founding must always have required a strong nerve, for the actual running of the metal is so quickly done, and so much can be made or marred in those few moments. This must have been so even more before the use of the iron cope-case, when the moulds were buried in their pit and nothing could be seen but the gutters leading from the furnace to the holes which allowed the metal to enter them. How did Thomas Purdue feel when, after all his months of careful work, he drove in the plug of his furnace? In the next minute or so his reputation would be immortalised or destroyed—yet he would not know which until the bells were out of their pit, and they would take a couple of days to cool. This was the great deciding moment of his life—yet Thomas Purdue was never a man to make much distinction between an important job and an ordinary one; all over Somerset you can find little bells in towers and bell-cotes of humble, remote villages which bear witness to the care and craftsmanship which he put into all his work, great or small.

Perhaps it was this unvarying habit of fine craftsmanship which made his major works so outstanding. For the four great bells which came out of Purdue's casting-pit were some of the finest ever cast by anybody. Though not as heavy as he has sometimes been reckoned—he is only 2 in. greater in diameter than Taylor's 72 cwt. 'Grandisson' and  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. thicker—'Peter' is a noble bell to hear, even when struck with a hammer. He may never have been swung since Purdue recast him—though there are gudgeons in his headstock there is no clapper nor any sign of pitting inside his soundbow—but one can guess that swung frame-high he would sound magnificent. 'Cobthorne,' now the ninth of the 12, 28 cwt, without her canons, is a bell of such nobility that were the 'Thomas eight' of which she is the tenor hung in a separate tower they would be rated one of the very finest in the world; and as for 'Stafford,' the eleventh, her power is amply witnessed to by the fact that 'Grandisson' needs more than three-quarters of her weight again to cover her adequately. There is a solemnity about her tone, grave yet gorgeous like a chorus from Bach's 'St. Matthew Passion,' which makes the C minor ten of which she is the tenor one of the most deeply-moving experiences in all bell music.

Richard Beavis, Esq., listening with expert lips pursed and expert ear cocked in the Cathedral Yard, deemed Purdue worthy of his extra £20: he'd have gone down in history as a prize nincompoop if he hadn't. But the Chapter were not happy about 'Cobthorne,' for she came out of the pit without canons or argent, and Purdue had to drill four holes in her crown and hang her with iron bolts. The fact that he was pioneering the modern method of hanging was lost on the Chapter; 'inasmuch that the said Cobthorne bell cannot be hung up by the canons or tenons and argent thereof, as the same was formerly, and still ought to be hung and as other bells are usually hung,' they got Purdue to sign an agreement that he would recast her if she should fail within 20 years instead of the usual year and a day. There was no need; 'Cobthorne' still hangs as Purdue hung her nearly three centuries ago.

Yet in addition to casting some of the noblest bells in this ring or anywhere else, Purdue brought the Exeter bells a step nearer to their present state by adding an entirely new bell with the note of A natural. This bell made it possible to get a true back eight in the key of B flat major, and bearing its founder's name still exists as the sixth of the 12.

Thomas Purdue was back in Exeter again in 1693, to recast the 'Doom Bell'—the present eighth—which had been cracked. By now he was an old man of 73 (though he lived to 91) and in partnership with Thomas Knight, whose initials later but not at this time appear on some of Purdue's bells. His 'Doom Bell' still survives, and like the others passed the critical ear of Mr. Beavis; Purdue was paid £49 3s. for the job. Of all the six bells which this great man cast for the Cathedral, only one has been cracked; his 'Grandisson' lasted only just over 50 years, and has twice been recast since. So, good reader, if you have delighted in the music of what may still be counted the world's noblest 12, and if you see a signpost on the Yeovil-Dorchester road reading 'Closworth, 4,' just turn aside and leave a bunch of flowers on the tomb of the man who more than any other gave sumptuous music to Exeter Cathedral.



## DERBY 'BELFRYMANSHIP' AWARD

THE 12th annual and Sir A. P. Heywood memorial dinner was held at the Midland Drapery Restaurant, Derby, on February 18th. Prior to the dinner, which was attended by over 150 members and friends, ringing took place at St. Peter's, Derby, and other towers were visited by organised coach parties from the Chesterfield and Peak Districts. An excellent meal was served.

The guest speaker was Mr. John Freeman, of Lincoln, vice-president of the Central Council who was introduced by the M.C., Mr. G. Halls, instead of Mr. Frank Smallwood. The best wishes of the members were sent to Mr. and Mrs. Smallwood for a speedy recovery. Although Mr. Freeman was unable to be the guest speaker last year, Mr. Halls emphatically denied that he had been asked again because we wanted a peal of Grandire Cinques at Lincoln Cathedral. However, one of Cambridge Maximus wouldn't be refused!

After thanking Mr. Halls for his welcome, Mr. Freeman assured the company that he was very grateful for the second invitation as he was very rarely asked anywhere twice! Continuing, Mr. Freeman wondered why we had dinners in memory of such men as Sir Arthur Heywood, Jasper Snowden and Henry Johnson. Although they were all excellent ringers, composers and conductors, he felt sure it was more because of their outstanding characters. In conclusion, Mr. Freeman said that although he, too, regretted Mr. Smallwood's indisposition, he was not sorry he was absent as he would far rather he shot down in flames for exceeding his allotted ten minutes than in a cloud of snuff!

The formal part of the proceedings ended, the company eagerly adjourned to the next room for the highlight of the evening—namely, the presentation of the award of 'Capita Magnissimus' to the most worthy belfryman. The deeds and/or misdeeds of this year's contenders were then portrayed by the general treasurer, Mr. J. C. Woolley, in the lengthy preamble, at the end of which the award was presented, much to his extreme astonishment, to the treasurer himself!

The citation read as follows:—'Until you suddenly realised that our Association awarded each year to its most prominent belfryman the honour of "Capita Magnissimus," you, Joseph C. Woolley, had taken little more than a passing interest in bellringing. However, you soon abandoned all your other interests of pigeon keeping and tame flea training and concentrated all your efforts into winning this honour for yourself by making yourself noticed as often and as much as possible.

The first step in this direction was taken when you subtly bribed your way into the post of Association treasurer, from which position you managed to fiddle the finances so successfully as to convince half the members

that an increase in subscriptions was inevitable. Although you had only convinced half the members you didn't seem to care as you had obviously decided that if half the members paid twice as much, the others need pay nothing at all!

Another way in which you brought the name of Joseph C. Woolley before the eyes of the ringing fraternity was by becoming "reporter extraordinary" to our monthly newspaper, the "Belfry News." By clever journalism—little short of libel—you utterly destroyed the public image of so many ringers that your name is not only revered but feared throughout all Derbyshire!

'One is tempted at this point to ask what "C" in Joseph C. Woolley stands for—is it Joseph "Cunning" Woolley or Joseph "Campanologist" Woolley? Whatever the answer, after to-night it will be Joseph "Capita Magnissimus" Woolley, for you have worthily upheld all the traditions of "Derbyshire Belfrymanship" and thoroughly deserve this award.'

After the medal had been solemnly presented to him, the Association choir sang the 'Capita Magnissimus' anthem, which was followed by a rather comical rendering of the song 'Where have all our husbands gone?' by a choir of peal ringers' wives. Dancing was then enjoyed until 11 p.m., when the exhausted but very happy company made their various ways home. As usual, our grateful thanks are due to Gordon Halls, Denis Carlisle and David Marshall for once again organising such a successful and immensely popular function.

M. P. P.

### RINGERS FOR WASHINGTON APPEAL

Towards the appeal for £1,000 to enable 10 selected ringers to fly out to Washington for the dedication of the central tower of Washington Cathedral, just over £107 has been received. Donations have ranged from 5s. to £50.

The Dean of Washington (the Very Rev. F. B. Sayre), who is an enthusiast for English change ringing, has so far raised just over \$2,000 towards the \$4,500 dollars he has asked for. This will about cover the air fare.

The opportunity is exceptional for the advancement of change ringing in the United States. There is little doubt that a service of this character will be broadcast extensively and a picked band to present the best of English ringing will enable a proper appraisal of our methods to be obtained. It will also be of the greatest encouragement to the novice band at Washington Cathedral.

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### SHERWOOD YOUTHS SOCIETY

The annual general meeting of the Society was held at St. Mary's, Nottingham, on January 18th and was marked by the retirement of the Master, Mr. F. A. Salter. His service is outstanding as he attended the 1924 meeting when the Society was revived, and at one time or another had held every office. To show appreciation the members conferred on him their highest honour, that of life membership. Mr. R. A. G. Benfield was unanimously elected as his successor.

The secretary, Mr. P. Nix, and treasurer, Mr. W. Nichols, were re-elected, and a new post, that of assistant secretary, was instituted, to which Miss A. Henson was elected.

Arising from the secretary's report relating to the bi-monthly meetings, it was decided to hold some of them further afield. Meetings in Leicestershire, Derbyshire and North Notts are under consideration.

The questions of membership badges and the printing of an annual report were left with the secretary to report back on the costs involved.

Ringing both at St. Mary's and St. Peter's in the evening was enjoyed by the 35 members present.

### TOWER GRABBERS OF 1963

For the first time, at the request of a well-known ringing personality, we publish a list of those who have rung in more than 100 new towers in 1963. The leader is Mr. A. D. Leach, of West Molesey, whose list reads: 12-bell towers 5, 10-bell towers 16, 8-bell 71, 6-bell 154, 5-bell 22, 4-bell 8, 3-bell 1. If the four and three-bell towers were deleted he would be level with Mr. C. Barrie Dove, of Leeds.

	New Towers	Total
A. D. Leach, West Molesey	277	776
C. Barrie Dove, Leeds	268	1,331
Mrs. D. B. Belcham, Downham	266	661
D. E. Belcham, Downham	266	844
Rev. M. Melville, Clifton	242	1,631
John Weaver, Leeds	224	—
Miss C. Follis, Little Aston	221	222
Miss M. Smith, Little Aston	211	287
D. S. Pont (14), Woodhouse Eaves	202	254
P. J. Rothera, Puckwood	201	436
Miss Y. C. Porter, Plymouth	192	551
Miss K. Moore, Little Aston	191	259
S. C. Walters, Little Aston	187	404
G. E. Thoday, Cambridge	185	415
R. H. Daw, Peterborough	182	—
A. D. Sansom, Cranford, Kettering	181	779
Stephen Hall (12), Shephed	173	318
A. J. Strathdee, Little Aston	168	776
Miss E. A. Lewis, Reading	167	634
Miss W. Hollowell, Peterborough	165	—
R. J. Parker, Burnley	160	253
M. M. Powell, Southampton	157	369
B. J. Bull, Putney	156	519
J. H. Croxton, Reading University	153	226
J. C. Sawtell, Holt	153	231
Rev. A. Clayton, Tooting Graveney	150	599
M. W. Fairey, Little Aston	149	1,184
J. H. Taylor, Southampton	149	170
Ian C. Maycock, Stratford-on-Avon	149	461
A. E. Stamp, Leeds	143	534
C. W. Hall, Shephed	142	484
R. H. Dove, Leeds	139	2,339
A. R. Millidge, Putney	137	343
J. Cornelius, Shepton Beauchamp	134	351
Mrs. M. A. Bould, Tavistock	133	342
M. Roberts (12), Shephed	128	205
G. W. Randall, Warwick	127	223
R. Smith, Leeds	126	192
K. C. Jones, Holt	126	220
P. Adcock, Mulbarton	122	556
R. Jordan, Shephed	120	122
J. H. Barlow, Milnrow	116	220
K. J. Darvill, Cambridge	116	489
Miss H. F. Martin, Chelsfield	110	163
P. S. Bennett, Stratford-on-Avon	108	680
F. W. Lewis, Reading	108	1,389
Miss M. R. Bloxam, Desborough	108	118
C. H. Rogers, Isleworth	107	522
D. C. Brooks, Putney	106	329
D. C. Manger, Chelsfield	105	508
G. W. Elmes, Wareham	102	138
D. Butterworth, Milnrow	102	589
P. J. Boyce, Farnborough	102	204
D. P. Smith, Hayes	102	—
Mrs. Joyce Dadds, St. Albans	100	1,290
R. D. Mills, Ashted	100	137

### SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

#### Mansfield District

The annual meeting of the Mansfield District, held at Mansfield on January 25th, was a great success from both the business and the social point of view. The splendid eight at St. Peter's were handled to a wide variety of methods, suiting all tastes and capabilities under the sure guidance of the District Ringing Master, Mr. H. T. Rooke.

Following the service and an excellent tea, the District chairman, Mr. S. W. Fossey, presided over the business meeting. Messrs. J. Anthony, P. Anthony, M. Woodhead, J. S. Brown and the Misses H. Grinter and M. Thompson were elected ringing members, the Rev. D. A. G. Brinn, of Kirkby-in-Ashfield, an hon. vice-president, and Mrs. M. Amos, of Mansfield, a N.R.L. member.

The officers were returned en bloc and Mr. F. Adcock took over as Assistant Ringing Master—a post which circulates annually. A highlight of the meeting was the presentation to Mr. Douglas H. Rooke, who retired as secretary the previous year. This was in appreciation of his work during the first five years of the District's formation.

Approximately 60 ringers attended during the day and ringing continued until 9 p.m.

Next meeting: Kirkby-in-Ashfield, March 21st.

D. J. B.

### SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

#### Northern Division

A very successful and encouraging annual meeting was held at Horsham on February 1st, the weather being spring-like in contrast to that of 1963. The service was conducted by the curate (the Rev. S. Matthews). Owing to the very large attendance tea had to be in two relays of thirty each.

At the business meeting the Master of the Association presided and welcomed back the Divisional secretary, Mrs. E. L. Hairs, after her indisposition. All the officers were re-elected with the exception of Mr. A. Butcher (auditor), who stated that he could not hold office as he did not agree with the new set up of the Association's finances. Mr. G. Jennings was elected auditor in his place. It was decided to hold a striking competition later in the year.

Under 'any other business' a lengthy discussion took place on the subject of membership fees, and it was agreed that the subscription of 5s. per member as well as £1 5s. per tower was excessive, and a resolution to that effect was to be sent to the General Committee. Ringing continued until 9 p.m. under the direction of Mr. G. Francis (Ringing Master).



# THE LIGHTEST RING OF BELLS IN THE WORLD

By F. D. MACK

ON September 7th, 1963, this miniature ring of bells was first opened in my garage at Exmouth. It represented an ambition conceived more than five years ago when a set of horse bells was given to the writer. The bells are the back six of an original ten or twelve cast by R. Wells, of Aldbourne, Wiltshire.

Their clapper arrangement was that of old-fashioned house bells, with a heavy ball suspended on a soft iron wire from a cast in staple. It is believed that the bells are more than a hundred years old, since R. Wells went out of business in 1835. Although the tone is not up to that of modern handbells, it is good and clear. The weights, diameters and notes are as follows:—

Treble	14 oz.	4.35in	E flat
2	14½ oz.	4.56in.	C sharp
3	1lb. 3 oz.	4.97in.	B
4	1lb. 4 oz.	5.21in.	B flat
5	1lb. 8 oz.	5.60in.	A flat
Tenor	1lb. 10½ oz.	5.96in.	F sharp (size 19)

## PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

The writer had had some experience of model bell hanging and even lashed one to the banisters of a certain flat in Bristol at one time. The problems of making such small bells ringable were at least partly solved well in advance. As anyone who has tried it knows to his cost, the most difficult part is that of making a tiny bell clapper correctly.

The clappers have been turned from aluminium alloy for lightness and each one is counterbalanced with a piece of 3/16th inch flat brass strip. A considerable amount of experimenting with clapper length, pivot point and weight of each counterbalance was needed before each new bell was clappering satisfactorily. Even now, some of the bells are slightly odd-struck and much more time will have to be spent to achieve perfection. Most of the clapper work was completed at home during 1962.

The winter session 1962-63 of woodwork classes were needed to make all the wheels, headstocks and pulleys. The material used for the wheels was half-inch plywood and the shapes of the spokes and soles were cut out of solid wood to give greater strength and truer shape. The shrouding was shaped from one-eighth inch hardboard tacked on afterwards. A spare piece of boat-building teak was employed for the headstocks, into which the silver-steel gudgeons were set. Nine rosewood pulleys have been used and these were roughed out at the class and finished at home.

## HANGING

It was decided to hang the bells on a metal frame. Accordingly one, was designed to give a reasonably compact size without too cramped a circle of ropes. The frame is made of aluminium angle, using 'L' and 'T' sectioned members screwed down to a baseboard of Weyroc flooring measuring a mere 36in. x 17½in. This baseboard, which forms the 'ringing chamber' ceiling, is fixed in turn to an angle iron frame firmly bolted into the garage joists, which support the floor of a bedroom above. The bearing blocks are made of aluminium alloy with oiling holes to allow for the addition of the castor oil lubricant from a hypodermic syringe.

The bells are fixed by machine screws to two-inch mild steel washers which are screwed to the headstocks. This facilitates the quick removal of a bell from its headstock if servicing is needed. Felt pads are placed between the bells and their supporting washers.

Only one stay has been fitted (to the 3rd) and this is easily removable. It has been

found that the bells can be controlled more easily without stays, and it enables the bells to be 'set' by letting them ring over at hand-stroke.

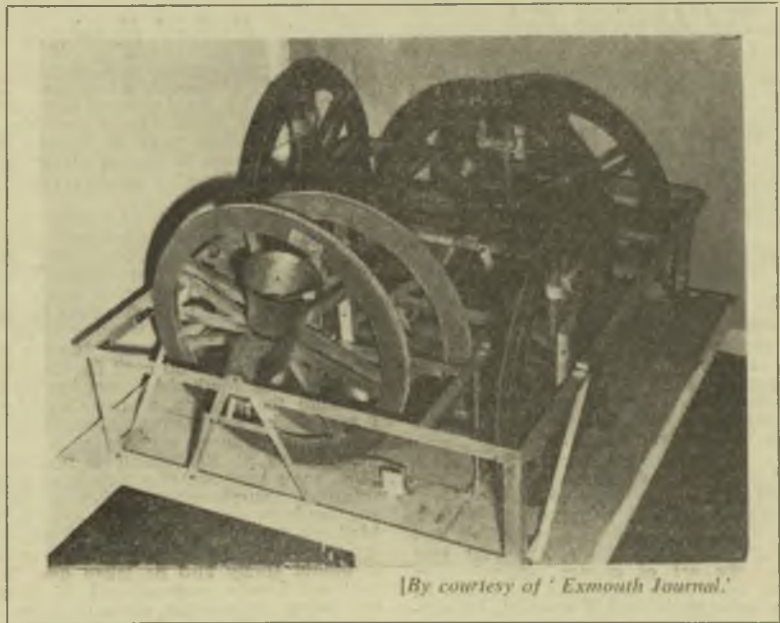
## ROPES

The question of roping turned out to be a problem. Two well-known bell-rope manufacturers were approached and their quotations were £9 and 10 guineas respectively for a set of six. This was obviously going to make the project much too expensive. Some hemp line 3/16th inches in diameter was obtained from Grays, of Exeter, and three hanks of thick rug wool (red, blue and white) were then purchased in Taunton. The sallies had to be made by winding wool round the strands of rope until they were both about a foot long. The result is quite pleasing and effective, making the sallies half an inch in diameter. The total cost of the wool and line was about £1 10s. with enough left over for at least one more set of ropes. Each sally took about two hours to complete.

The ropes hang in a circle 26 inches across, round a neat mushroom-shaped electric lamp in the centre of the ceiling. The distance between adjacent ropes is reasonably even, varying from 11in. to 14½in. The garage inspection pit has been used to give leg room. To ring, one sits on a cushion on the floor, feet dangling in the pit. It has been found that the sitting arrangement does not cramp one's style but helps to give the steadiness of hand needed to control the ropes.

## VISITORS

We have found that most ringers can handle any of the bells quite adequately after 15 minutes' practice and several non-ringers do very well after a surprisingly short time. So far, some 65 ringers have signed the visitors book coming from as far afield as Shropshire, Yorkshire and the Home Counties. Methods rung include Grandsire, Plain Bob, Stedman, Kent and Cambridge. We have not yet attempted a quarter or a full peal but hope to do so when the weather warms up a little. The speed of ringing is about 40 changes per minute, which would give a peal in roughly two hours.



[By courtesy of 'Exmouth Journal']

## PORTABILITY

The frame and bells are easily portable and can be taken down and transported in the back of the writer's estate car. The ring of bells has been used for one lecture locally and the writer is quite prepared to take it along to any not too remote point if it will help any belfry or lecturer in explaining the art.

Another novel feature is that the bells are small enough to be used as handbells. At the moment no suitable clappers have been made for this, although the leathers for handles are ready to be fitted. A future footnote might be 'First bells to be rung "in hand" and by rope.'

To any ringing enthusiast, who is keen to have his own ring of bells, I would say, try your hand at 'do-it-yourself' bell-hanging. It has afforded immense pleasure in solving the special problems involved and my wife and I anticipate many hours of delight both ringing and welcoming visiting parties of ringers.

In conclusion, if any ringers are passing through the area at any time, please do not hesitate to call in at 7, Bapton Lane (off the Hulham Road), Exmouth, Devon, to have a go on our 'lightest ring.'

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

### Biggleswade District

The ringing was generally of a good standard when the Biggleswade District met at Clifton on February 8th. Mr. G. Mayes, the Ringing Master, saw that everybody had a good ring.

Mr. P. Rogers was at the organ for the service, which was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. E. Hall.

An excellent tea, prepared by the local ladies, was enjoyed by 33 members and friends. The Vicar took the chair at the short business meeting, when Mr. Bywaters announced that Kent would be the venue for the annual outing on May 9th.

The ringing during the evening was varied and included the special method, London Surprise Major.

Next meeting: Aylesey, March 14th.

A. R. A.

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## Letters to the Editor

### The American Visit

Dear Sir,—I think that to spend £1,000 on sending 10 ringers from Britain to the United States just to ring at Washington Cathedral will hardly help to forward the interest of change ringing abroad. The local ringers will gain only by watching the experts but if an expert were sent for three months they would be sufficiently proficient to ring for the dedication themselves. On many a great day the simple method rung well has been appreciated just as much if not more than a more advanced method.—Yours faithfully,

E. M. COLLINGS (Mrs.).

Solihull, Warks.

Note.—We disagree with this point of view. To hear the bells properly rung, broadcast and recorded throughout America will be the finest introduction on a big scale to change ringing possible in U.S.A. To the struggling enthusiasts in Washington, it will give them a new conception of our art.—Editor.

### Central Suffolk's Plight

Dear Sir,—What has happened to Suffolk ringers? The Central District of Suffolk has made very little effort during the past year to further the art of change ringing. The number of peals rung is a good indication of the effort being made, and if it wasn't for outside support the number would have been non-existent.

Apart from efforts made at Wetheringsett, Brandeston and Barking, life in the District bellfries would have disappeared altogether. 1964 is the jubilee year of the St. Edmundsbury Diocese. What are the ringers going to contribute? Is it not possible for each District member to ring at least one peal or even a quarter peal during this year?

Are the ringers who remain prepared to sit back and watch the art die altogether? How many ringers are prepared to bring those silent but still ringable bells of Suffolk back to life?—Yours, etc.,

E. HOTINE.

Wattisham, Ipswich.

### Not all Members

Dear Sir,—I regret to have to inform you that the Surrey Association is unable to accept the peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major rung at St. Mary's, Putney, on October 5th, 1963, in its records, as a number of the band were not members at the time it was rung. We are very sorry to disappoint our young friends from Putney who were in it and who are so pleased to ring for the Association and who do so much for it. I regret, too, that I have not been able to find the address of the conductor so that I could extend to him the courtesy of a personal letter before writing this one.—Yours faithfully,

Epsom.

WILLIAM PARROTT.

### 'Boiled' Tenor Rope-end

Dear Sir,—During the past few weeks the rope-end of the Bushey tenor had become abnormally stiff and difficult to handle. The solution to this was overcome by C. W. Woolley, who cut the end away and took it home for boiling! This was successfully accomplished and then spliced together again. Incidentally, C. W. W. informed me that the 'soup' wasn't too ropy!

The first peal on the 'boiled' rope-end was duly rung—eight spliced on February 6th. I would venture to say that this is a precedent in the art of campanology.—Yours etc.,

K. R. DUNSTAN.

King's Langley, Herts.

### Method Naming

Dear Sir,—As conductor of the peals of Ob, Moira and Llanfihangel-rhydeithon Surprise Major rung by the Leicester Diocesan Guild during 1963, I would like to comment on the letters published on page 36 (January 17th) by C. K. Lewis, page 76 (January 31st) by G. W. Massey, and page 92 (February 7th) by F. T. Blagrove.

I note that the Methods Committee decided that the names given to methods rung in the peal of spliced at Ashover on July 13th, 1963, should stand. Now surely it is up to the Central Council either to accept or reject their decision, and F. T. Blagrove (in his usual 'high-handed' manner) is quite wrong to say that 'Ob no longer stands.' It most certainly does stand and will do until the Central Council ratify the Methods Committee decision.

Before the meeting of the Central Council I would like the Methods Committee to pronounce its findings on the peal of Spliced Major rung at Heptonstall on October 29th, 1960, some methods of which have since been renamed. Surely what applies to 1963 must also apply to 1960. Both were rung before the Methods Committee decision. If retrospective action is to be taken over the 1963 peals then it should surely also be taken over the 1960 peal and I quite agree with G. W. Massey on this point. Previously, when decisions of like nature have been made, they have not been retrospective.

Members of the Exercise will perhaps realise that a band which rings the first peal in a method has the right to name it. If a new method has been rung in a peal of Spliced it is obvious that a full peal of it has not been rung—only touches. On the other hand, the peals of Ob and Moira did have the desired effect in stirring the Methods Committee into action. I shall be quite prepared to rename the methods if action is also taken with regard to the 1960 peal. If not, then I suggest that if the Central Council ratifies the decision it should operate as from Whitsun, 1964, and that Ob, etc., be allowed to stand.

In conclusion I would like to thank Mr. B. J. Woodruffe not only for giving us so many Superlative variations but also for suggesting the name of 'Ob' by which to call one of them.—Yours sincerely,

BRIAN G. WARWICK.

S. Wigston, Leics.

### Practice Nights in South-West London

Supplied by MICHAEL J. UPHILL

**Monday:** Battersea (8), 8-9 o'clock; Merton (5); Putney, St. Mary (8), 7.30-9.

**Tuesday:** Wandsworth, Holy Trinity (8), 6.30-8; Wandsworth, All Saints (8), 6.45-8.15; Barnes (8), 8-9; Chiswick (8), 7-8; Streatham, St. Leonard (8).

**Wednesday:** Mortlake (8), 8-9 (struggling); Kingston (10), 8-9.30.

**Thursday:** Wimbledon (8), 8-9; Clapham Common, R.C. (8), 8-9; Fulham (10), 7.30-8.30 (temporarily suspended); Streatham, Immanuel (8).

**Friday:** Chelsea, St. Luke (10), 8-9; Richmond (8).

### Corrections

The peal of London Surprise Major at St. Mary's, Reading (see page 97), was rung on Sunday, January 12th.

The peal at Gayton (page 100) was rung on January 11th, 1964, not 1963.

Quarter peal, Stedman Triples, Leytonstone, January 21st (page 94), ringer of 7 D. Ellidson.

### 'Yorkshire' Tail Ends

Dear Sir,—Although this correspondence, followed by the nebulous remarks of Professor Dodge, has gone on long enough, I hope you will find room for this warning in your journal.

Do not be misled into purchasing the above type of rope by correspondents who—

(a) Have never rung a heavy bell with a Yorkshire tail end; or

(b) If they have they have not handled the bell properly;

since it is well known to experienced heavy bell ringers that it is necessary to take up rope at backstroke, when the bell's swing has to be severely cut down.

Moreover, many youngsters and ladies, having hands, and not shovels, find great difficulty in grasping the billy and sally in one hand together, the distance round the latter, when fairly new, being in the region of eight inches until squashed in one's grip.

The most satisfactory method of trying bells before a touch, or especially before a peal, is to ring rounds until a satisfactory beat is established, each ringer noting whether any adjustment to the rope is necessary. Such rounds are not offensive.

On relatively light rings of six, such as those in the Barnsley area, one can get by satisfactorily in closed lead ringing with Yorkshire tail ends.

On higher numbers and where there is a heavy tenor or great difference in weight between trebles and tenor they are best avoided.

The above conclusions have not been deduced in the quiet meditation of my 'cell,' nor from theoretical formulae or graphs, but from practical experience and observation of all kinds of conditions and ringers in six, eight and ten-bell towers.

To anyone thinking of changing over to Yorkshire tail ends, except for light bells and a small number, take my advice and don't; their supposed advantage is just another Yorkshire tale.—Yours,

Rotherham.

N. CHADDOCK.

### St. Mark's, Venice, Bells

Dear Sir,—Whilst making a short stop in Venice I took the opportunity of visiting St. Mark's Campanile, which is open to the public. I must confess, however, that I took the lift to the top, otherwise there would have been an ascent involving about 200 steps.

The belfry contains five bells, apparently ranging from about 12 cwt. to about 40 cwt. Whereas the shaft and ball of each clapper has similar proportions to their English counterparts, the flights are nearly as long as the shafts and only a little less in diameter than the clapper balls.

The bells have four plain canons each and are similar in shape to an English pre-Reformation bell. Unlike an English bell, from the lip of the sound bow extends inwards horizontally for four to eight inches, then turning sharply upward to form the inside face of the sound bow. Chips are missing from the lips of all the bells, I would think suggesting damage rather than an attempt at tuning. The top of the tower has been strengthened with concrete and the bells hang from this in a steel frame, chains extending upward from each wheel to, presumably, electric motors.

The carvings on the headstocks are of similar style to the designs accompanying the Latin inscriptions on the bells. Hence although the bells have been rehung and quarter-turned at some time, the headstocks would seem to be original. I would be interested to learn more of these bells if anyone has details. Mr. W. Fleming, on a long stay in Venice on the 'Cannamore,' could perhaps spend a little more time on them than I could.—Yours faithfully,

PAUL ELSWORTH.

M.V. 'British Guardian,' at Venice.

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## FURORE OVER UNKIND REVIEW

Dear Sir,—It is a sad but unfortunately true fact that while there are people in this life who are willing to do a little hard work, there will always be those who will sit back and do nothing but issue destructive criticism. I refer to Mr. Sibson's rather unflattering comments on the new Surprise Major method collection.

It would seem rather obvious to me that a demand for this publication exists, or the first edition would still be on the shelf, unsold. I would refer Mr. Sibson to page 37 of 'The Ringing World' (1964) where he will find in the compiler's own words whether the collection was popular or otherwise.

As for technical accuracy, can Mr. Sibson honestly say that he can pit his wits against a computer—in this case, as it happens, two were used—and hope to win? A correctly programmed computer, and I hardly feel that the compilers are fools enough to attempt a programme without exhaustive initial testing, is capable of producing the correct result every time, and in a fraction of the time it would take a human brain to calculate. It is for this reason that computers are used—speed and accuracy. It is a very simple task for a computer to check lead-ends and find a Plain Bob coursing order in them.

While it is a pity that errors on the non-technical side have slipped in this is, remember, the first collection of its kind ever to be produced, and errors are inevitable. As Mr. Sibson says, the compilers have quite obviously spent many hours producing the collection and much credit is due to them for this.

I feel that the merits of the methods contained in it can only be judged by individual bands, who may wish to ring some of the new methods in it. There are people in the Leicester area I know of who will most surely welcome the great variety of new, albeit 'stagnation' type methods, and will probably produce a peal a week in a new method. I also know of others who would examine the whole construction and falseness very carefully before attempting a peal. The lowering of standards and the dubious nature of methods is inherent, not in the collection, but in the Exercise. Those who have no standards will not need this collection to lower them, whilst those who have will, I hope, adhere to them.

To all those who have in any way assisted in producing the collection I feel we owe a debt of gratitude that can only be paid back by showing them that their work is not like a hydrogen bomb in irresponsible hands that can destroy all the good it ever set out to do.—Yours faithfully,

ROBERT E. HARDY.

Leicester.

### In Defence of H. and M.

Dear Sir,—After reading your leading article this week I feel that Mr. Sibson's review of the 'Complete Collection of Right Place Surprise Major Methods' by Hudson and McClenahan is, to say the least, a little harsh in its criticism. Thank goodness he liked the cover and binding; I was beginning to wonder why I bothered to buy a copy at all. Fortunately I purchased mine some time ago or H. & M. would have been 7s. 6d. worse off.

Despite the errors in method naming (now corrected) this is a very useful publication;

the fact that a large number of the methods are not worth ringing is surely no reason for two or three people to sit down and select a few hundred methods they consider we ought to ring.

Does Mr. Sibson really think we are all itching to rush out and ring methods with 11 pull work in, and if some do, what standards would be lowered? All this talk from time to time about lowering standards gets rather monotonous and doesn't really mean a thing. It certainly looks as though the two young men from Cambridge have done in a few months something that the Exercise have waited years for the Central Council to produce. There must be hundreds of ringers who would like to get their hands on a copy of 'Corrigan,' but as far as I can see they must go on liking.

I hope ringers won't be taken in by this review and will reserve judgment until they have a copy. It is obviously not a work that will interest all ringers any more than the 'Compositions of Stedman, Caters and Cinques,' but to a certain section it will prove invaluable. Let us encourage people when they do a service to the Exercise and perhaps we will get more of what is so urgently needed—ringing publications.—Yours faithfully,

J. E. G. ROAST.

Danbury, Essex.

### 'Unkind and Ungrateful'

Dear Sir,—It seems to me both unkind and ungrateful that the first exhaustive comment in 'The Ringing World' on the Complete Collection of Right Place Surprise Major Methods should be in the form of a front page criticism. Firstly, whether there is a demand for such a collection is not a relevant point! If anyone wants it, it is now available; if they do not, they need not buy it, and it is to the credit of those responsible that they have made it thus. If all libraries contained only books which had been asked to be written by the general public the choice of reading matter would be very limited indeed!

The fact that a complete collection will contain a vast number of methods with 'long' dodging on front and back is so obvious that it need not be stated. The authors did not invent the nature of methods, they merely used it. Besides, in the paragraph above that criticism Mr. Sibson was apparently asking after methods with firsts and seconds made throughout the lead, saying that the restriction on these methods was obscure. Perhaps he prefers a pair of bells to be leading and making seconds together for 22 changes rather than dodging. Perhaps even some similar work in 7/8?

If the availability of rubbishy methods in print happens to lower the standard of methods rung, then that is the fault of those who choose to ring them, not of those who make them available. Such methods have always been a temptation anyway to the man with pencil, paper and a little knowledge of method construction, so the position is not really worse. On the other hand, if I felt like ringing a method with 11 dodges behind, lots more on the front and long places in the middle (e.g., Cray, one of the standard 12) I could consider it my own business.

The publishers of the collection should not have to be advised to consult someone with

a private filing system: this mythical long promised Central Council collection of named methods is long overdue. Why is so much valuable, useful, technical information only available to people who have worked it out for themselves? Ringing research as a whole is being run on very selfish, inefficient lines with a result that duplication of work must be going on all over the country.

I would like to make one more comment before closing. Why is there so much importance attached to the name of a method when the whole system of nomenclature is so trivial? What properties of a method are indicated by names like Llanfair P.C., Amsterdam and Finsbury (wherever that is)? Can we not have a rational system of nomenclature based on place notation so that the name indicates the nature of the method?—Yours, etc.,

Beeston, Notts. E. SHUTTLEWORTH.

### OBITUARY

MR. E. G. TALBOT

A man endeared to all who knew him and highly valued by his friends died on December 4th in Mr. Edward G. ('Ted') Talbot, of Beddington.

His ringing ability was above average, being one of the young and enterprising band who with Charlie Kippin rang the first peal of Spliced Surprise Royal during the early 1930's. He was one of the first to bring a tape recorder on an outing. An example of his friendliness was bringing his car last June to the veterans' meeting.

For 35 years he was with the Royal Insurance Company and was held in high regard by his employers. In all he did he set a high example for us to try and maintain.

JOHN ENSTON.

MR. EDWARD H. FINCH

By the passing of Mr. Edward ('Ted') Finch, of Stapleford, Cambs, at the age of 82 years, the Ely Diocesan Association has lost one of its oldest members. Although practically unknown to the present generation of ringers, he was very active in the 1920's and early 1930's as a member of Mr. A. E. Austin's band that rang many peals of Surprise Minor at Stapleford and other six-bell towers. His number of peals for the Ely Association was 47 but he also rang a number for the Essex and Hertford Associations of which I have no record.

Of recent years he had been something of a recluse and was only occasionally seen at Association meetings. He was present at the opening of Haslingfield bells about two years ago and was heard to remark, 'I have been waiting for this day for 60 years.'

The funeral took place at Stapleford Church on February 8th and was attended by a number of his old ringing friends. C. W. C.

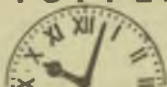
### CANBERRA'S CHIMES

A Sydney correspondent sends a correction regarding the report on December 20th last as to eight bells to be installed at St. John's, Canberra, as a memorial to Lady De L'Isle. The possibility of ringing bells was explored before the choice fell, regrettably, on a 'chime' of bells to be operated by a keyboard manual.

There are several stipulations covering the gift. Among them are the bells be chimed on: (a) Each anniversary of Lady De L'Isle's death, and (b) Lord and Lady De L'Isle's wedding anniversary.

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## LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

### Strong List of New Members

Despite the one-day strike by the Midland Red buses, which have a virtual monopoly of Leicestershire, the Guild's quarterly meeting at Loughborough on February 8th was very well attended. Ringing was available at Castle Donington, Diseworth, Kegworth, Hathern, Shepshed, All Saints' and the Bell Foundry, Loughborough. The service was at All Saints' Church and tea was served in the Fearon Hall by Miss C. Doggett and helpers.

At the business meeting the Loughborough District chairman (Mr. H. O. Over) formally welcomed the Guild to Loughborough. The president (Mr. F. K. Measures) then presented certificates to 30 new members who had requested them. This was a record number.

Following the minutes, the secretary announced several decisions of the General Committee. £28 had been granted from the Bell Repair Fund to Skeffington, where the five bells were being rehung and a frame added for a new treble. The dinner in 1964 would be at the Shakespeare Hotel, Braunstone, on November 14th, and the chief guest would be Mr. John Freeman, of Lincoln (vice-president of the Central Council).

The committee had also decided that names of members who owed one year's subscription should be included in the report (thus reversing a decision made in 1961) in accordance with the rules, but that any such members who did not appear in the tower list sent in by the tower correspondents would appear as 'Other Members.' Later in the meeting a proposal was announced that Rule 3 should be deleted entirely. The effect of this would be that any member who had not paid his annual subscription by December 31st in any year would cease to be a member; and that if he wished to rejoin he could do so by becoming a new member again. This proposal would be voted upon at the annual general meeting on April 4th.

The annual general meeting arrangements were announced. These included ringing in the towers in the city of Leicester with a service in the Cathedral at 4.15, when the address would be given by the new Provost (the Very Rev. J. C. Hughes) and tea in the Alderman Newton Boys' School, adjacent to the Cathedral.

The secretary thanked tower secretaries for their co-operation in sending in their tower reports in good time for publication in the annual report, which would be available by the middle of March. District secretaries were asked to distribute as quickly as possible so that members could have them in time for the annual general meeting.

### NEW MEMBERS

The election of the following new members proposed since October 19th was confirmed:—

Pickup, John B. (Accrington), Moore, Jennifer (St. Margaret's), Saunders, Jacqueline (St. Margaret's), Shaw, Herbert (Overseale), Cross, Isobel (Breedon), Williamson, Ivor E. (Humberstone), Ward, John W. (Cambridge), Riley, David (Shepshed), Faulkner, F. W. (Seagrave), Radley, D.G. (Seagrave), Hill, R. J. (Seagrave), Hill, G. P. (Seagrave), Gamble, R. L. (Seagrave), Poole, Mary (Birstall), Mould, Stephanie (Birstall), Newborn, John (Syston), Cross, David (Sileby), Smith, Paul S. (Barrow), Taylor, Sarah (Loughborough), Waldron, Anne (Loughborough), Taberner, Catherine (Woodhouse), Leverton, C. (Shepshed), Gardiner, Valerie (Market Harborough), Good, Arnold (Market Harborough), Page, Kathleen (Market Harborough), Cramo, Stewart P. (Market Harborough), May, Lawrence (Mancetter), Rogers, Brian (Mancetter), Rate, James W. (Burbage), Wells, Cynthia (Burbage), Hill, Glenys (Burbage), Clarke, Janet (Thurlaston), Farmer, Linda A. (Higham), Gilliver, Robin A. (Higham), Daulman, Patrick (Hinckley), Ash, H. (Hoby), Cropper, R. (Hoby), Mitchell, John (Hoby), Clamp, Walter (Melton Mowbray), Stimson, Glynis (Somerby), Cooke, Katherine (Waltham), Prophet, Mary (Blaby), Welch, Richard (Blaby), Whait, Jean (Wigston Magna).

**SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1.260 Plain Bob Triples: Carol L. Norman 1, N. W. Grassby 2, D. W. Stenson 3, Carol I. V. Corton 4, A. R. Mildred 5, K. H. Mildred 6, M. G. Wood (cond.) 7, June E. Wood 8, For Festal Evensong.

## A YORKSHIRE SUNDAY MORNING BROADCAST

Although Cottingham, East Yorkshire, ringers had a month's notice of the broadcast of the morning service on February 9th over the Northern Region of the Home Service, it wasn't until nine o'clock the previous evening that the producer could be contacted and permission to ring obtained. Many frantic last-minute phone calls had then to be made to secure a band for the 9.45 a.m. service ringing.

The arrangement was for ten minutes' ringing before the broadcast, giving an opportunity for the ringers to warm up and for the producer to position and adjust a microphone in the churchyard. No ringing was to be broadcast if it was windy or raining. A buzzer in the ringing chamber, normally operated by the organist, was to be the signal for ringing to start and finish. It was here realised that the latter signal might result in 'Stand' having to be called in the middle of a touch.

On the morning of the broadcast all eight ringers assembled in good time but unfortunately only six of the local team could be contacted and outside help had to be obtained. Bob Triples was selected as all were familiar with it, and the tenor covering would assist leading and striking. When the starting signal eventually came a good touch was rung and, after a few rounds, another started. In the middle of this touch the second signal came and 'Stand' was called with the bells in changes, causing a few clashes.

A tape recording connected to a portable radio recorded the actual broadcast for later study. On the recording, the programme began with the announcer introducing the service, with Bob Triples in the background. The bells were then brought up to full volume for 20 seconds and finally faded out to be replaced by the organ. A microphone inside the church picked up the sound of the bells, which blended quite pleasantly with the organ. Unfortunately the fifth and tenor didn't stand at the first attempt and did so only just in time before the organ music stopped.

Other ringers faced with the prospect of a live broadcast would find an extra ringers with a radio of assistance, as he could inform the team when the bells were on the air. As few as a dozen changes may be broadcast and repeated plain hunts could be brought round at the first opportunity after 'going live' and sound more effective than the middle of a touch.

Cottingham ringers hope that other ringers, through this article, can get an idea of the difficulties and excitement involved in a live broadcast. J. I. B.

## WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD

The nine bells at All Saints', Basingstoke, were very popular for Grandsire Caters and Plain Bob at the annual meeting of the Basingstoke District on January 25th. Over 60 members attended and seven parsons from the District with the Master of the Guild, Canon K. W. H. Pelstead.

St. Michael's bells were also well used and it was here that the Guild service was conducted by the Rev. N. J. Woodhall, R.D., and the address given by the Rev. K. C. Davis.

Six new members were elected at the business meeting presided over by Canon F. A. Sanders. Other business included thanks to the ladies for the excellent tea at low cost.

Next quarterly meeting: Yateley, April 18th.

### Gratefully Acknowledged

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## BURSLEM DELIGHT

The Editor has received a letter from Mr. H. Poyner attempting to justify the method rung at Attenborough on November 23rd, 1963, as an extension of Burslem Delight Minor.

Maximus:

-3T-, 14-, -12-, 1T, 34-14, 5T, 14-14, 5T, 14-14: 5T.

Royal:

-30-, 14-, -12-, 10, 34-14.50, 14-14, 50, 14-14: 50.

Major:

-38-, 14-, -12-, 18, 34-14, 58, 14-14: 58.

Minor:

-36-, 14-, -12-, 16, 34-14: 56.

All with l.e. 12, viz., 18604T2F3957, 1867492735, 18674523, 156342.

The Maximus contracts to the Royal by the removal of one of the 14-14 subsections. This gives an irregular three lead course method, and therefore adds nothing to the discussion.

The Maximus and Royal now contract to the Major by the removal of another subsection 14-14, and Mr. Poyner therefore claims the Maximus as an extension of the Major. This does not in fact conform to the Decision on the Construction of Extensions.

The Maximus, Royal and Major now contract to the Minor by the complete removal of all subsections 14-14. Mr. Poyner claims that this is a proper contraction, and therefore the Major as rung is a proper extension of the Minor.

But the Minor is obtained by completely removing the 14-14 subsections and therefore surely the Minor is an entirely different method. London III Surprise Royal contracts to London Surprise Major by the removal of the 14, 58, 14 subsection. Does this mean that London III S.R. is a proper extension of London S.M.? Spalding College Major contracts to Reverse Bob Minor. Is Spalding C.M. a proper extension of Reverse Bob Minor? Because 'X' Major can be shortened into 'Z' Minor is no justification for saying that 'Z' Minor extends into 'X' Major.

Homework for students: Discuss the following family:

-3T-, 14-, -5T-, 16-, -7T-, 18-, -9T-, 10-, -12-, 1T, 34-14: ET

-30-, 14-, -50-, 16-, -70-, 18-, -12-, 10, 34-14: 90

-38-, 14-, 58-, 16-, -12-, 18-, 34-14: 78

-36-, 14-, -12-, 16, 34-14: 56

All l.e. 12, 1573.

F. T. B.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

### Dorchester Branch

Holding their annual meeting at St. Peter's, Dorchester, on January 18th, the Dorchester Branch had an address at the Guild service from the Master of the Guild, the Rev. R. N. Longridge, on William Barnes, the Dorset poet, and his works. He mentioned that his statue was outside St. Peter's Church.

The Rev. C. E. C. Brinkworth (Branch chairman) presided at the meeting, which followed tea. A report, brimming with activity, was presented by Mr. R. H. Duke (honorary secretary) of fortnightly Branch practices throughout the year, a peal of Grandsire Triples, a host of quarter peals, including one at Cattistock for the silver wedding anniversary of the Branch chairman, a good representation at the Guild festival at Beaminster and the many tributes paid to the late president John F. Kennedy. Membership now stood at 141 ringing, 14 associate and 4 honorary, making a total of 159.

Officers elected were: Chairman, Rev. C. E. C. Brinkworth; vice-chairman, Canon E. B. Brooks; honorary secretary and treasurer, Mr. R. H. Duke; Ringing Master, Mr. J. W. Rose; Deputy Ringing Masters, Mr. A. J. Slade and Mr. E. H. Amey; assistant honorary secretary, Miss B. J. Dyke; committee members, Miss P. M. Boalch and Mr. R. Sturmev.

It was agreed to hold meetings during the year at Fordington (April 25th), Wool (July 4th) and Wyke Regis (September 19th).

New members were elected as follows: P. J. Cox and R. and J. Hill, St. Peter's, Dorchester, D. Cox and J. Dommeth, Frampton, J. Gerrard and G. Walbrin, Piddlehinton, and A. Brooks, Fordington. R. H. D.



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The peal at Newton-Not-  
tage, Glamorgan, by local  
ringers on February 9th has  
an unusual sequence. There have been two  
other strictly local peals—in 1910 and 1937—  
and there is a gap of 27 years between each.  
It is up to those responsible to not let another  
27 years lapse.

A novelty about the peal of Cambridge Sur-  
prise Minor at Dorney, Bucks, on February  
8th, was that Mr. F. T. Blagrove, the con-  
ductor, used the eight different compositions  
available.

Mr. Harry Waterfield, of Holme Hale, Nor-  
folk, who is a G.P.O. employee, fractured a  
bone in his foot when a telegraph pole fell  
upon him. His friends wish him a speedy  
recovery.

Mr. Walter Ayre informs us that the peal of  
Spliced Surprise Minor rung at Apsley End  
(see page 100) should read: (3) Beverley and  
Surfleet (six changes); (4) Cambridge and  
Primrose (twelve changes).

We are sorry to hear that Mrs. K. Lock,  
widow of Mr. Albert E. Lock, of Abingdon,  
is in the Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford, where  
she has had an operation. Mrs. Lock has  
appreciated so much the kindness of ringers in  
visiting her and writing to her and hopes  
they will accept this as her thanks, as she is  
unable to reply to them.

In a letter to the Editor Mr. G. Nelson  
Sloan, of Christchurch, New Zealand, sends  
his congratulations to the conductor and those  
'who rang in that wonderful performance of  
143 methods spliced . . . An accomplishment  
like this shows just what change ringing is.'  
Nelson was sorry to have missed Bishop G. E.  
Reindorp, when he visited Christchurch  
Cathedral. He was away on holiday at the  
time.

Those who want to advance on six-bell  
ringing will find the week-end course at  
Hereford Training College (April 3rd to April  
5th) most helpful. Subjects include Spliced  
Doubles and Spliced Minor with three sessions  
in the tower. Beginners are also being catered  
for and something new is tune ringing on  
handbells. The lecture team is Messrs. F. T.  
Blagrove, F. Sharpe, W. F. Moreton and C. A.  
Wratten.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

The quarter peal of Grand-  
sire Cinques rung at Christ-  
church Priory was in fare-  
well and 'au revoir' to two members of the  
band. Mr. Frank Southwood has taken an  
appointment necessitating his removal to Is-  
lington, and very shortly Mr. Roy Crampton  
will leave for an 18-month tour of duty in  
Ghana. Mr. Crampton is on loan by the  
British Government to the Government of  
Ghana as a technical expert in aviation. These  
two ringers will be very much missed at the  
Priory and they carry with them the good  
wishes of many members of the church in  
their new spheres. The ringers of the quarter  
peal are all members of the Sunday service  
band at the Priory.

The composition of Stedman Caters on  
page 88 was No. 1, as rung on handbells at  
Cambridge, and not No. 2, as rung at Isle-  
worth.

After ten days in bed, Mr. F. W. Midwinter,  
of Newark, is now recuperating from mumps.  
The last time he had to call a doctor was 20  
years ago, when he had measles! Hopefully (?)  
he adds: 'I haven't had chickenpox yet!'

It is pleasing to note that Tessa Hollis  
(aged 13), daughter of the Vicar of Rotherham,  
rang her first peal within a year of learning  
to handle a bell. We look forward to report-  
ing further progress soon.

From Jamaica Mr. H. Falkner, of the Col-  
lege of Technology, Kingston, writes that many  
peals classed as in memoriam to President  
Kennedy were arranged before his death and  
'it ill-befitted the occasion to convert them in  
a secondhand kind of manner.'

A practice meeting at Dean Prior Parish  
Church, Devon, on February 8th, coincided  
with the wedding of a member of the con-  
gregation, Miss Pauline Watts, who was mar-  
ried in the afternoon. Many people expressed  
their appreciation at hearing the bells, which  
are seldom rung.

More tower entries are required for the  
Twickenham and Richmond Music Festival to  
be held at Isleworth Parish Church on March  
14th at 2.30 p.m. The test piece is 250 or  
more changes in Triples or Major; composi-  
tion to be given to the adjudicator, Mr. Wilfrid  
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AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES, CRIPPLEGATE,

**A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS**

Tenor 34 cwt. in C sharp.

DAVID T. DARBY .. .. Treble	NICHOLAS J. MARTIN .. .. 7
CHRISTINE C. MACNAIR .. .. 2	ROBIN J. ELLIOTT .. .. 8
ANDREW N. STUBBS .. .. 3	F. JOHN NELSON .. .. 9
JOHN E. CAMP .. .. 4	DEREK P. JONES .. .. 10
DAVID A. H. BENNETT .. .. 5	RODNEY B. MEADOWS .. .. 11
ROBIN A. HODGSON .. .. 6	STEPHEN IVIN .. .. Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH.

Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.

First peal of Surprise Maximus by the Society.

**TEN BELL PEALS**

KING'S NORTON, BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF 5120 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 17 cwt. 34 lb. in E.

DAVID J. ALLEN .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 6
MURIEL REAY .. .. 2	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 7
GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 3	RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 8
CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. .. 4	FREDERICK ROSS .. .. 9
DAVID J. PURNELL .. .. 5	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. Tenor

Composed by RODERICK W. PIPE.

Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

SOUTHAMPTON.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PRITTLEWELL SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 16 cwt. 43 lb. in F.

DEREK C. JACKSON .. .. Treble	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. 6
DAVID J. FORDER .. .. 2	MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. .. 7
JOHN R. FAITHFULL .. .. 3	MAURICE J. BUTLER .. .. 8
TOM CHAPMAN .. .. 4	DAVID E. HOUSE .. .. 9
MARGARET E. CHAPMAN .. .. 5	R. ROGER SAVORY .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

First peal in the method in the county, and for the Guild, and by all except the conductor.

BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thurs., Feb. 6, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP,

**A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. Treble	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. 6
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 2	*NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 7
GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 3	DAVID J. PURNELL .. .. 8
RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 4	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. 9
EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. 5	*PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

\* 200th peal together.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

**A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CATERS**

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in E flat.

KATHLEEN E. CHILCOTT .. Treble	ROBIN J. LEE .. .. 6
JEAN L. LAVENDER .. .. 2	ROBERT W. HINDE .. .. 7
*HILARY F. MARTIN .. .. 3	†COLIN A. TESTER .. .. 8
FRANK E. DARBY .. .. 4	STEWART F. KIMBER .. .. 9
†OLIVE D. TESTER .. .. 5	JAMES G. A. PRIOR .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRANK E. DARBY.

\* First peal on ten bells. † First of Stedman Caters.

KINGSTON-UPON-HULL, YORKSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 26 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in D.

JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. .. Treble	WALTER TOMLINSON .. .. 6
PAMELA M. TURNER .. .. 2	JOHN WALDEN .. .. 7
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 3	MICHAEL W. CROWDER .. .. 8
JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. .. 4	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. 9
GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. 5	MARTIN C. FAULKES .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL**

No. 3 version.

Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb.

J. DAVID ATKINSON .. .. Treble	JOHN WORTH .. .. 6
HAROLD C. LONYON .. .. 2	EDWARD JENKINS .. .. 7
FRANK OSBALDISTON .. .. 3	ALAN POTTS .. .. 8
ROBERT J. WARRILOW .. .. 4	BASIL JONES .. .. 9
C. KENNETH LEWIS .. .. 5	ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

Rung as a welcome to Carol, a daughter for Mr. and Mrs. A. Osbaldiston, of Cleobury Mortimer, Salop.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS**

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KENT.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Sun., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

J. W. Washbrook's variation.

Tenor 12½ cwt. in F sharp.

HERBERT E. AUDSLEY .. Treble	FREDERICK J. CULLUM .. .. 5
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 2	GEORGE J. BUTCHER .. .. 6
EDWARD J. BEER .. .. 3	TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. 7
DENNIS BERESFORD .. .. 4	JAMES T. STEVENS .. .. Tenor

Umpire: Mr. F. A. MITCHELL (Ancient Society of College Youths).

Rung non-conducted and silent.

First silent peal for the Society.

In memoriam Joseph S. Hawkins.

WITHYHAM, SUSSEX.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

**A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. 9 lb. in F.

E. JANE SIBSON .. .. Treble	DORIS E. COLGATE .. .. 5
*SUSAN NEWMAN .. .. 2	STANLEY G. PONTING .. .. 6
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 3	DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 7
WILLIAM T. BEESON .. .. 4	DENNIS BERESFORD .. .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by DENNIS BERESFORD.

\* First peal of London Surprise Major.

YATTON, SOMERSET.

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 21 cwt. 4 lb. in D.

BARBARA WYLDE .. .. Treble	PATRICK J. BIRD .. .. 5
TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. .. 2	*IAN C. MAYCOCK .. .. 6
DAVID HEIGHTON .. .. 3	*FRANK D. MACK .. .. 7
*ANTONY R. KENCH .. .. 4	BRIAN J. WYLDE .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. IVIN. Conducted by TUDOR P. EDWARDS.

\* First peal in the method. First of Bristol by the Society.

Rung on the occasion of the Society's 21st anniversary dinner.

CLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD.

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Henry Johnson's variation.

Tenor 11 cwt. 18 lb. in F sharp.

IAN LLOYD .. .. Treble	C. FREDERICK JUKES .. .. 5
MICHAEL G. SELBY .. .. 2	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. 6
MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. .. 3	GERALD C. HEMMING .. .. 7
ARTHUR C. BERRY .. .. 4	GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by MICHAEL J. FELLOWS.

First peal of Cambridge Surprise Major as conductor. First peal on the bells since rehanging by John Taylor and Co. in 1963.

COOKHAM, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

**A PEAL OF 5152 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lb.

E. DENNIS POOLE .. .. Treble	SYDNEY M. BAILEY .. .. 5
*JENNIFER SCEENY .. .. 2	HOWARD OGLESBY .. .. 6
ARTHUR D. BARKER .. .. 3	MICHAEL HATCHETT .. .. 7
ROYSTON BLACKLER .. .. 4	WILFRID G. WILSON .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by ARTHUR D. BARKER.

\* First peal of Cambridge S. Major.

COWBRIDGE, GLAMORGAN.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS.

**A PEAL OF 5088 KENT & OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Ilkeston variation.

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb.

PENELOPE WELSH .. .. Treble	ROGER KING .. .. 5
RUTH HAVARD .. .. 2	GARETH H. JONES .. .. 6
MARY E. PRYOR .. .. 3	ROGER G. HAVARD .. .. 7
NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON .. 4	DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. .. Tenor

Composed by NOLAN GOLDEN.

Conducted by DAVID J. LLEWELLYN.



DEDDINGTON, OXFORDSHIRE.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,  
**A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 17 cwt, 10 lb. in E.

BARBARA M. BUTLER .. Treble	ALAN R. PINK .. .. 5
SUSAN J. HOWES .. .. 2	PETER J. HERITAGE .. .. 6
MICHAEL W. COLEMAN .. .. 3	CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. 7
J. ROBIN J. DYKE .. .. 4	EDWARD R. VENN .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. PARKER.  
The conductor's 100th peal.  
Rung for the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

FROME, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**  
Tenor 31 cwt.

*DAVID G. MASSEY .. Treble	*DAVID T. H. ROBERTSON .. 5
*FRANCES M. MASSEY .. 2	BRYAN C. STIRLAND .. 6
*BERNARD A. PAYNE .. 3	GEORGE W. MASSEY .. 7
*EUNICE D. OVEREND .. 4	*HUGH VENNELL .. .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by GEORGE W. MASSEY.  
\* First peal of Stedman Triples.

LEEDS, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,  
**A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 20 cwt, in E.

MARTIN L. HOWE .. Treble	DAVID S. OSENTON .. .. 5
TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. 2	W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON .. 6
*Alec W. Fry .. .. 3	CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 7
CYRIL S. JARETTI .. .. 4	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.  
\* First peal in the method.

MELLS, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**  
Thurstans' Five-Part.

D. JOHN HUNT .. Treble	CECIL T. CLARKE .. .. 5
GEOFFREY MARCHANT .. 2	PATRICK J. BIRD .. .. 6
*BRIAN J. WYLDE .. .. 3	*MICHAEL J. STONE .. .. 7
DAVID J. ORLEDGE .. .. 4	†GEORGE T. BURGE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PATRICK J. BIRD.  
\* First peal of Grandsire Triples. † First on eight.

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**  
F. H. Dexter's variation of Thurstans' Four-Part.

DAVID W. STENSON .. Treble	CAROL I. V. CORTON .. .. 5
B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. .. 2	KEITH H. MILDRED .. .. 6
*ROBERT T. LAMBERT .. 3	BRIAN G. WARWICK .. .. 7
*RUPERT A. CLARKE .. .. 4	†REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.  
\* First peal in the method. † First of Stedman Triples.  
Rung on the eve of the Feast of the Purification of St. Mary the Virgin—the 71st anniversary of the dedication of this church.

SPELDHURST, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,  
**A PEAL OF 5056 BELGRAVE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 13 cwt, 1 qr. 26 lb. in F sharp.

ERNEST J. LADD .. Treble	*W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON .. 5
*REGINALD E. LAMBERT .. 2	CYRIL S. JARETTI .. .. 6
*ROBERT T. LAMBERT .. 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 7
THOMAS E. SONE .. .. 4	TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. Tenor

Composed by P. G. K. DAVIES. Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.  
\* First peal in the method. The treble ringer has now 'circled the tower.'

SUNBURY-ON-THAMES, MIDDLESEX.  
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**  
Parker's Twelve-Part (Groves' variation).

DENNIS BROCK .. Treble	*DAVID W. STRUCKETT .. 5
*PAUL A. BRAND .. .. 2	*MARTIN PRESS .. .. 6
CLIVE L. ROGERS .. .. 3	HAROLD W. ROGERS .. .. 7
MALCOLM S. LOVEDAY .. 4	*ANDREW M. JOHNSON .. Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD W. ROGERS.  
\* First peal of Triples.  
In honour of the seventh anniversary of the induction of Rev. D. Saville, M.A., to this church.

WROTHAM, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,  
**A PEAL OF 5184 PLOUGHLEY SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 20 cwt, 10 lb. in E.

*ISABEL M. PEARCE .. Treble	ARTHUR S. RICHARDS .. .. 5
ANN JENNER .. .. 2	EDWARD J. JENNER .. .. 6
†DORIS E. COLGATE .. .. 3	STANLEY JENNER .. .. 7
ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. 4	PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by STANLEY JENNER.  
\* First peal. † 300th peal. First in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.

BEDFORD.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sun., Feb. 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,  
**A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 28 cwt, 3 qr. 6 lb. in D.

ARTHUR GIBBS .. Treble	JAMES R. TAYLOR .. .. 5
JENNIFER M. TAYLOR .. 2	FRANK W. RIVETT .. .. 6
RONALD J. SHARP .. .. 3	ALFRED E. RUSHION .. .. 7
ROBERT L. PIRON .. .. 4	STEPHEN IVIN .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.

MALDON, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.  
On Wed., Feb. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,  
**A PEAL OF 5152 MALDON SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 12 cwt, 2 qr. 2 lb. in F.

PETER G. BROWN .. Treble	IAN R. PANTON .. .. 5
PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. 2	DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. 6
JAMES L. TOWLER .. .. 3	JOE E. G. ROAST .. .. 7
PETER J. EVES .. .. 4	PATRICK W. SALTMARSH .. Tenor

Composed by A. S. HUDSON. Conducted by JOE E. G. ROAST.  
First peal in the method (H. and M. Collection, No. 1.054).

BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Thurs., Feb. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND LAWRENCE,  
**A PEAL OF 5088 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**  
Tenor 14½ cwt.

MRS. H. B. SCHOFIELD .. Treble	DENNIS COOPER .. .. 5
CYRIL RUSBY .. .. 2	HAROLD WAGSTAFFE .. .. 6
HAROLD B. SCHOFIELD .. 3	LEONARD GOODALL .. .. 7
ALAN KELLER .. .. 4	IAN M. HOLLAND .. .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by IAN M. HOLLAND.

WHISTON, YORKSHIRE.  
THE SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.  
(Yorkshire Association.)

On Thurs., Feb. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,  
**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**  
Tenor 14½ cwt, in F sharp.

JOHN BRUCE .. Treble	JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK .. 5
*TESSA HOLLIS .. .. 2	DAVID NICHOLS .. .. 6
ELSIE CHADDOCK .. .. 3	STUART ARMESON .. .. 7
MARGARET BURNS .. .. 4	NORMAN CHADDOCK .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. BURTON. Conducted by NORMAN CHADDOCK.  
\* First peal.

LEICESTER.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Feb. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,  
**A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**  
In 14 methods, being 960 of London, 640 each of Rutland and Cambridge, 320 each of Wembley, Cray, Superlative, Yorkshire, Wordsworth, New Gloucester and Bristol, and 160 each of Lincolnshire, Eastcote, Lindum and Pudsey; with 145 changes of method.

*A. EDGAR HARTLEY .. Treble	G. MARTIN BREWIN .. .. 5
JOHN B. PICKUP .. .. 2	R. HARRY COOK .. .. 6
W. ANTHONY LACEY .. .. 3	ROBERT K. MASON .. .. 7
ANTHONY M. LINDSEY .. 4	J. ENOCH COOK .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN. Conducted by J. ENOCH COOK.  
\* 100th peal. First in 14 Spliced Surprise Major methods by all the band, on the bells, and for the Guild.

BEACONSFIELD, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**  
J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part.

DOROTHY R. FLETCHER .. Treble	PERCY NEWTON .. .. 5
*GWENDOLYN REEVES .. 2	†CHRISTOPHER GRAVES .. 6
JOYCE I. BARTON .. .. 3	DAVID A. CORNWALL .. 7
ROLAND BIGGS .. .. 4	WALTER LEE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID A. CORNWALL.  
\* First peal 'inside.' † First in the method.

MALDON SURPRISE MAJOR  
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**BIRMINGHAM.**  
**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.**  
*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.*  
 AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP.  
**A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 10 cwt. 38 lb. in A.  
 MAURICE C. HUGHES .. Treble NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. 5  
 HENRY H. FEARN .. 2 CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. 6  
 JAMES INSLEY .. 3 J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. 7  
 FREDERICK ROSS .. 4 GEORGE E. FEARN .. Tenor  
 Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES. Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.  
 \* First peal in the method.

**BURLEY (LEEDS), YORKSHIRE.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHIAS.  
**A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**  
 Tenor 7 cwt.  
 WILLIAM A. KIRKBY .. Treble FRANCES FAIRBANK .. 5  
 PETER KIRKBY .. 2 LEONARD GOODALL .. 6  
 ROGER J. LUMLEY .. 3 JOHN M. GOW .. 7  
 ALLEN TWYMAN .. 4 BARRY SULLIVAN .. Tenor  
 Composed by A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS. Conducted by LEONARD GOODALL.

**BURNHAM, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.**  
**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.  
**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**  
 FRANCIS PROCTOR .. Treble EDGAR G. SWIFT .. 5  
 GORDON W. LIMMER .. 2 NEIL BELSON .. 6  
 ARTHUR D. BARKER .. 3 GEOFFREY RIGLAR .. 7  
 E. RUSSELL GOTHAM .. 4 HOWARD OGLESBY .. Tenor  
 Conducted by HOWARD OGLESBY.  
 \* First peal of Major. Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb. in F sharp.

**CARDINGTON, BEDFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.  
**A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in E.  
 AVRIL IVIN .. Treble FRANK W. RIVETT .. 5  
 SHEILA I. SMITH .. 2 ROBERT L. PIRON .. 6  
 KATHLEEN A. RIVETT .. 3 ALFRED E. RUSHTON .. 7  
 RONALD J. SHARP .. 4 STEPHEN IVIN .. Tenor  
 Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.

**CHADDESLEY CORBETT, WORCESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CASSIAN.  
**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 16 cwt. 23 lb. in F.  
 IAN LLOYD .. Treble GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. 5  
 MICHAEL G. SELBY .. 2 MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. 6  
 WALTER H. RAXTER .. 3 GERALD C. HEMMING .. 7  
 ARTHUR C. BERRY .. 4 MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. Tenor  
 Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by MARTIN D. FELLOWS.  
 First peal of Cambridge Surprise Major as conductor.

**CHISLEHURST, KENT.**  
**THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**  
*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.  
**A PEAL OF 5056 WEMBLEY SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in F.  
 E. JANE SIBSON .. Treble RONALD J. SHARP .. 5  
 \*DORLEN A. DEVERELL .. 2 \*ANDREW J. STRATHDEE .. 6  
 \*MIKAELA ERIK .. 3 DEREK E. SIBSON .. 7  
 JOAN BERESFORD .. 4 DENNIS BERESFORD .. Tenor  
 Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS. Conducted by DENNIS BERESFORD.  
 \* First peal in the method. † First of Major.

**CRANLEIGH, SURREY.**  
**THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes.*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.  
**A PEAL OF 5216 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 16 cwt. 78 lb. in F.  
 \*JOHN H. TAYLOR .. Treble MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. 5  
 CAROLYN VIBERT .. 2 PETER J. JOYCE .. 6  
 JOHN R. FAITHFULL .. 3 DAVID E. HOUSE .. 7  
 \*MALCOLM M. POWELL .. 4 ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. Tenor  
 Composed by DENNIS KNOX. Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.  
 \* First peal of Treble Bob. † First of Surprise 'inside.'

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

### CORRECTION

**WALKINGTON, EAST YORKSHIRE.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
 (Beverley and District Society.)  
*On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ALL HALLOWS.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES**  
 Being 42 extents (four different callings).  
 Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in B flat.  
 JOHN A. WATERWORTH .. Treble JOAN GRAY .. 4  
 EILEEN M. HAYNES .. 2 SHIRLEY J. WIGHT .. 5  
 PATRICIA A. TEAL .. 3 NORMAN W. CASTLE .. Tenor  
 Conducted by EILEEN M. HAYNES.  
 First attempted peal by all. First on the bells.  
 All from the tower's own band.

**SULGRAVE, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.**  
**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
*On Sun., Jan. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**  
 Being 42 extents (ten callings). Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 2 lb.  
 WILLIAM J. CHESTER .. Treble MONTAGUE SAUNDERS .. 4  
 \*ROBERT SOMERTON .. 2 WILLIAM A. YATES .. 5  
 MRS. G. SHELLARD .. 3 J. GEORGE SHELLARD .. Tenor  
 Conducted by WILLIAM A. YATES.  
 \* First peal of Grandsire. 100th peal as conductor.  
 Rung as a farewell to the Rev. A. T. James.

**CHURCH GRESLEY, DERBYSHIRE.**  
**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.**  
*On Mon., Jan. 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF SS. GEORGE AND MARY.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**  
 Being 42 six-scores in seven methods and variations: 12 Grandsire, nine Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, five Plain Bob and four each of Kennington, April Day, Southrepps and Clifford's Pleasure.  
 J. ALAN BALL .. Treble JOSEPH W. COTTON .. 3  
 EDWIN DEAKIN .. 2 DEREK P. JONES .. 4  
 DAVID EAMES .. Tenor  
 Conducted by DEREK P. JONES.  
 Rung half-muffled in thankful memory of the life and work of Mr. John Gilliver, lately Sunday School superintendent of the Queen Street Mission, Church Gresley. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lb. in G.

**ARLEY, WARWICKSHIRE.**  
**THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
*On Fri., Jan. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 19 Minutes.*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 NORWICH SURPRISE MINOR**  
 Being seven extents. Tenor 7 cwt. 12 lb. in A flat.  
 IAN P. UNSWORTH .. Treble \*STEPHEN P. DARVILL .. 4  
 GEORGE P. HAMMOND .. 2 DAVID J. ALLEN .. 5  
 KEITH F. GARDNER .. 3 GEOFFREY PRATT .. Tenor  
 Conducted by GEOFFREY PRATT.  
 \* First peal of Minor. First in the method by all the band, and for the Guild.  
 Rung as a compliment on the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Hart, of Stoke, Coventry.

**MARSTON TRUSSELL, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.**  
**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
*On Sat., Feb. 1, 1963, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.*  
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**  
 Being 24 methods, in the following 42 extents: (1) Stedman, (2) Plain Bob and Candlesby Slow Course, (3) Plain Bob and Boxford, (4) St. Simon and Rugby Slow Course, (5) Grandsire, (6) Antelope, (7) Union, (8) St. Faith, (9) St. Julian, (10) St. Nicholas, (11) Winchendon Place, (12) St. Remigius, (13) New, (14) New, (15) Huntspill, (16) St. Vedast, (17) Huntspill, (18) St. Vedast, (19) Blackburn Place, (20) Westminster II, (21) St. Hilary, (22) St. Simon, (23) St. Martin, (24) St. Osmund, (25) Plain Bob, (26) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, (27) Shipway's Place, (28) Stedman, (29) Antelope, (30) Grandsire, (31) Westminster II, (32) Blackburn Place, (33) St. Hilary, (34) St. Nicholas, (35) Winchendon Place, (36) St. Remigius, (37) St. Simon, (38) St. Martin, (39) St. Osmund, (40) Plain Bob, (41) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, (42) Shipway's Place.  
 Tenor 10 cwt. 14 lb. in A flat.  
 PERCY AMOS .. Treble ROGER W. SMITH .. 3  
 GEORGE F. ROOME .. 2 ALAN A. PAUL .. 4  
 GRAHAM C. PAUL .. Tenor  
 Conducted by GRAHAM C. PAUL.  
 Most methods rung to a peal on the bells.  
 Rung as a farewell to the Rev. Henry Whiteman upon his retirement; also for the induction of the new Rector, the Rev. J. McCloghry.

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**CHURCH LAWFORD, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
*On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being one extent each of Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., Cambridge, Double Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.  
Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 5 lb. in B flat.  
RAYMOND D. HART .. .. Treble STEPHEN P. DARVILL .. .. 4  
PAMELA WRIGHT .. .. 2 ARTHUR R. WRIGHT .. .. 5  
DAVID LLOYD .. .. 3 GEOFFREY PRATT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY PRATT.

Rung to welcome a daughter, Elaine Joy, to Mr. and Mrs. R. Hart.

**POTTERSPURY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.  
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
*On Sat., Feb. 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being an extent each of London Surprise, Double Oxford Bob, St. Clement's Bob, Surfleet Surprise, Beverley Surprise, Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob.  
Tenor 13 cwt. 4 lb. in E.

\*JOHN LINFORD .. .. Treble JAMES LINNELL .. .. 4  
JANET I. PORTER .. .. 2 CHARLES E. TRUMAN .. .. 5  
WILLIAM J. CHESTER .. .. 3 ROBIN H. ROGERS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES E. TRUMAN.

\* First peal of Minor.

**HEVERSHAM WESTMORLAND.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sun., Feb. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents.  
Tenor 16 cwt.  
DIANA J. HANDLEY .. .. Treble PETER HANDLEY .. .. 4  
WILFRED BOLTON .. .. 2 STANLEY ANDERTON .. .. 5  
MARGARET CROSSTHWAITE .. .. 3 CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE.

Rung as a farewell to Canon S. Lane.

**PUCKINGTON, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Tues., Feb. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents.  
Tenor 11½ cwt.  
HAROLD E. TURNER .. .. Treble \*REGINALD BEALE .. .. 4  
\*GILBERT W. RENDELL .. .. 2 ALBERT W. DYER .. .. 5  
†RAYMOND P. SELWAY .. .. 3 †WILLIAM E. TURNER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM E. TURNER.

\* First peal together for 25 years. † 75th peal together.

**RAYNE, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Fri., Feb. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR**

In 17 methods, being seven extents: (1) Cambridge, Ipswich, Bourne, Norfolk, Hull, Primrose; (2) London and Wells; (3) Chester and Munden; (4) York and Durham; (5) Beverley and Surfleet; (6) Westminster, Allendale and Fryerning; (7) Cambridge and Ipswich.  
Tenor 7 cwt.  
DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. Treble \*PHILLIP J. ROTHERA .. .. 4  
\*JAMES L. TOWLER .. .. 2 \*GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. 5  
JOE E. G. ROAST .. .. 3 PATRICK W. SALTMARSH .. Tenor

Conducted by PATRICK W. SALTMARSH.

\* First peal in 17 methods.

**ASTON, HERTFORDSHIRE.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

In seven methods, being an extent each of Chester, Lightfoot, Ipswich, Bourne, London, York and Cambridge.  
Tenor 11 cwt.  
PETER J. COLES .. .. Treble J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. .. 4  
ERIC EDMONDSON .. .. 2 VERNON GREEN .. .. 5  
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. .. 3 JACK S. DEAR .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE.

**COLCHESTER, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, SHRUB END.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being three extents Kent T.B., four Plain Bob.  
Tenor 4 cwt.  
\*CLIVE A. HUGHES .. .. Treble JOHN H. GOULD .. .. 4  
\*JANET M. SEMKEN .. .. 2 FELIX H. ERITH .. .. 5  
ADRIAN G. SEMKEN .. .. 3 URBAN W. WILDNEY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by URBAN W. WILDNEY.

\* First peal of Minor.

**DORNEY, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.*

**A PEAL OF 5760 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Being the eight different compositions.  
Tenor 7½ cwt.  
WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. Treble MICHAEL HATCHETT .. .. 4  
MONICA BLAGROVE .. .. 2 DAVID P. HILLING .. .. 5  
\*WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM, JUN. 3 FRANK T. BLAGROVE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK T. BLAGROVE.

\* First peal.

**EASTRY, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In ten methods, being four extents each of New Bob, Huntspill, Stedman, St. Simon's, St. Nicholas', St. Martin's, Winchendon, Reverse Canterbury and Plain Bob, and six of Grandsire.  
Tenor 20 cwt. in E.  
\*JOHN D. FAIRCLOTH .. Treble †ANDREW M. MACVE .. .. 3  
RALPH BIRD .. .. 2 IAN H. ORAM .. .. 4

THOMAS CULLINGWORTH .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN H. ORAM.

\* First peal of Doubles. † First in ten Doubles methods.

**EYTHORNE, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In 11 methods, being two extents of St. Vedast's and four each of Huntspill, New Bob, Stedman, Winchendon, St. Nicholas', St. Martin's, St. Simon's, Grandsire, Reverse Canterbury and Plain Bob.  
Tenor 10 cwt. in A.

IAN H. ORAM .. .. Treble \*JOHN D. FAIRCLOTH .. .. 3  
THOMAS CULLINGWORTH .. 2 RALPH BIRD .. .. 4

ANDREW M. MACVE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ANDREW M. MACVE.

\* First peal of Doubles 'inside.' First of Doubles as conductor.

**HATTON, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven extents.  
Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb. in F sharp.  
\*F. MARK ROBOTOM .. Treble \*CHRISTOPHER J. ROYAL .. .. 4  
†PETER S. BENNETT .. .. 2 GEOFFREY W. RANDALL .. .. 5  
‡STEPHEN F. ROYAL .. .. 3 †JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER S. BENNETT.

\* First peal of Surprise. † First of Cambridge Minor. ‡ First peal.

**KINGSTONE, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN AND ALL SAINTS.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents.  
Tenor 11½ cwt.  
\*JOHN T. LOCKE .. .. Treble REGINALD BEALE .. .. 4  
GILBERT W. RENDELL .. .. 2 ALBERT W. DYER .. .. 5  
RAYMOND P. SELWAY .. .. 3 WILLIAM E. TURNER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM E. TURNER.

\* 65th peal.

**HANDBELL PEALS**

**BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
(The Humphrey Perkins School Campanological Society.)  
*On Fri., Jan. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes,  
AT THE HUMPHREY PERKINS SCHOOL.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

RUPERT A. CLARKE .. .. 1-2 DAVID F. MOORE .. .. 5-6  
\*DAN S. PONT .. .. 3-4 B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. .. 7-8

REV. MALCOLM C. C. MELVILLE 9-10

Arranged and Conducted by REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE.

\* First peal on ten handbells. One lead of Little Bob was spliced into the first course.

**PUDSEY, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Fri., Jan. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 12 Minutes,  
AT 9, PEMBROKE ROAD.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

JEANNE E. BOTTOMLEY .. 1-2 WILLIAM BARTON .. .. 5-6  
FREDERICK A. MUNDAY .. 3-4 VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM BARTON.

**WHEATHAMPSTEAD, HERTFORDSHIRE.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sun., Feb. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes,  
AT 13, TUDOR ROAD.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 15 in C.

\*KEITH WALPOLE .. .. 1-2 GERALD PENNEY .. .. 5-6  
MARTYN JORDAN .. .. 3-4 †TREVOR HAWKINS .. .. 7-8

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by MARTYN JORDAN.  
\* First handbell peal, and first of Major. † First handbell peal of Major.



## HALF-PEALS

**EXETER, DEVON.**—At St. Thomas's Church on Feb. 4th, 2,520 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss P. Woodland 1, Miss C. J. Bland 2, Colin D. Yates 3, A. White 4, M. F. Lock (longest as cond.) 5, P. M. Pavey 6. Longest length 1, 4 and 6. A wedding compliment to Pat Woodland and Peter Pavey.

**MANFIELD, NOTTS.**—On Dec. 4th, 2,772 Stedman Triples: P. Nix 1, Mrs. M. Beach 2, Capt. M. Amos, C.A. 3, W. F. Adcock 4, D. J. Beach 5, F. Adcock 6, S. W. Fossey (cond.) 7, J. Robinson 8. A farewell to the Rev. J. W. Morley on his departure to Syleham, Norfolk.

**ALDRINGTON, SUSSEX.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,260 Doubles (April Day, Plain Bob, Grandsire): Stella G. Rice 1, P. J. Came 2, Peggy Taylor 3, Angela M. Wright 4, M. J. Bew (first as cond.) 5, Catherine M. Powell 6. First in three methods 1, 3, 4, 5.

**BANGOR, CAERNS.**—At St. David's, Glanadda, on Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss N. C. Carter (first quarter) 1, J. D. Adams 2, I. Tilling 3, C. J. Boulton 4, J. G. Pusey (cond.) 5, D. R. Marshall 6, D. Window 7.

**BARTON ST. DAVID, SOMERSET.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. R. Crocker 1, Mrs. L. Crocker 2, R. Parker 3, F. J. White (cond.) 4, A. Bown 5, W. Prescott 6. For morning service.

**CARDIFF, GLAM.**—At St. John's Church on Feb. 2nd, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Nona Davies 1, Mary Pryor 2, N. Crowther 3, P. J. Shipton 4, F. Rowsell 5, T. T. Yeomans 6, M. Pilgrim 7, B. J. Woodruffe 8, M. J. Pryor (first of Caters as cond.) 9, W. Dare 10. First of Caters for 1, 3 and 7.

**CAWTHORNE, BARNSLEY.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,320 T.B. Minor (Snowdrop, Sandal): C. A. Moxon 1, P. Carbutt 2, F. Cowling 3, N. MacNaught (first quarter) 4, H. Rusby 5, N. F. Moxon (cond.) 6. Rung fully muffled in memoriam Mrs. Spencer Stanhope.

**CHISLEHURST, KENT.**—At the Church of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, on Feb. 2nd, 1,260 St. Simon's Bob Doubles: R. Kempton 1, R. A. Long 2, P. J. Long 3, T. Lewis 4, I. H. Oram (cond.) 5. First in method by all the band. For Evensong.

**CHRISTCHURCH, HANTS.**—At the Priory on Feb. 11th, 1,320 Grandsire Cinques: R. Crampton 1, Mrs. Gillian Davis 2, H. Harrison 3, A. A. Price 4, G. Scragg 5, M. Stone 6, A. V. Davis (cond.) 7, R. Ingham 8, K. Derham 9, B. Wright 10, F. Southwood 11, R. Edwards 12. First quarter of Cinques for 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11 and 12.

**CLAPHAM PARK, LONDON.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Cooles (25th quarter) 1, V. Rowe 2, L. Galline 3, M. Fort 4, A. Mann 5, J. Eisel (cond.) 6, Rev. A. Clayton 7, F. Seabright (first quarter) 8. A.M.D.G.

**CLYST HONITON, DEVON.**—On Feb. 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Miss J. Hurrell (first of Triples) 1, Miss V. Mellish 2, D. Wills 3, J. Quick 4, C. Deem (cond.) 5, G. Retter 6, W. Harvey 7, K. Wannell (first on tenor) 8. First of Plain Bob Triples 2, 3, 4 and 7.

**CONSETT, CO. DURHAM.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Scott 1, S. Zvezgintzov 2, J. Vickery 3, R. B. Skelton 4, W. Tyson 5, M. Armstrong (cond.) 6. Also on Jan. 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. G. Wall 1, J. Vickery 2, M. Armstrong 3, R. B. Skelton 4, S. Zvezgintzov 5, W. Tyson (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**COWLEY, OXON.**—On Feb. 3rd, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): Violet C. Holloway 1, Brenda J. Martin 2, W. F. Holloway (cond.) 3, J. Sutton 4, W. H. Fern 5, J. H. Gardner 6. With best wishes to the Rev. A. J. Norton and Mrs. Norton in their new parish of St. Mary-the-Virgin, Addington.

**DANEHILL, SUSSEX.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: Lynn Taylor 1, Peggy Butler 2, A. J. Butler 3, Betty Butler 4, A. W. Fuller 5, D. Slater (first of Bob Minor as cond.) 6. First of Minor 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. The conductor has now 'circled the tower' to quarter peals. First of Minor on the bells.

**DUNKERTON, SOMERSET.**—On Feb. 8th, 1,260 Doubles (11 methods): L. R. G. Taylor 1, H. L. Parfrey 2, G. J. Hawkins (cond.) 3, D. J. Barnett 4, A. F. Lec 5, A. F. Butt 6. A 42nd wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Butt.

**EAST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Charlotte Harris (first quarter) 1, J. Griffin (first 'inside') 2, Diana J. Butcher 3, C. Jane Smart 4, J. A. Howard 5, M. P. Howard 6, F. H. Hicks (cond.) 7, D. R. Mitchell 8. For Evensong.

## QUARTER PEALS

**EDGMOND, SHROPSHIRE.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Wicksted (first of Minor) 1, M. Cotton 2, E. C. Morrall 3, I. Friend 4, F. Beech, Jun. 5, G. E. Morrall (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**GRAFTON REGIS, NORTHANTS.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,279 Grandsire Doubles: C. J. Hall 1, Toni M. Rogers 2, F. E. Hall 3, Janet I. Porter 4, R. H. Rogers (cond.) 5. For children's prizegiving service.

**GREAT CHEVERELL, WILTS.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): A. Sturgess 1, Pamela Osborne 2, C. Hillier 3, B. Osborne 4, D. Bailey (cond.) 5, R. Bailey 6. For Evensong.

**HALSE, SOMERSET.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. A. Ford 1, Mrs. E. Ford 2, E. J. Ford (cond.) 3, J. J. Ford 4, J. C. Taylor 5, H. J. Taylor 6. Rung after the christening of Andrew John Ford, by his father and mother, both grandfathers and two uncles.

**HOLT, WILTS.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Sarah Boswell (first quarter) 1, Jayne Harding 2, J. H. Nibbs 3, D. L. Nibbs 4, R. O. Humphries (cond.) 5, J. W. Stillman 6. For Evensong and as a wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Purnell.

**HOTHFIELD, KENT.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,320 Surprise Minor (London, Wells and Cuneastre, Cambridge): J. R. Cooper (cond.) 1, Elizabeth Stewart 2, J. V. Richards 3, W. W. Ring 4, G. Stewart 5, M. W. Marshall 6. For morning service.

**HUGGLESCOTE, LEICS.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,260 Minor (Kent T.B. and Plain Bob): B. Hoden 1, W. T. Goadby 2, R. D. Hughes 3, A. R. Pepper 4, A. J. Tovell 5, H. O. Over (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**ILTON, SOMERSET.**—On Feb. 5th, 1,272 Plain Bob Minimus: E. White 1, T. Hill 2, J. Cornelius 3, R. J. Dean (first as cond.) 4. First of Minimus and on four bells by all. First quarter on the bells.

**KETTERING, NORTHANTS.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: D. Witchell (first quarter on 8) 1, Mrs. C. Bowen 2, R. Turner 3, J. Mitchell, Jr. 4, J. Mitchell 5, Miss S. Collins (cond.) 6, D. Bowen 7, A. Idle 8. For Evensong.

**KINGSBURY EPISCOPI, SOMERSET.**—On Feb. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. Godney 1, R. Selway 2, A. Dyer 3, H. Westlake 4, H. E. G. Jeanes (cond.) 5, F. Jennings 6.

**KINGSTHORPE, NORTHAMPTON.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob: D. Benfield 1, Miss S. Ruddlesden (first quarter) 2, B. E. Frost 3, J. W. Felce 4, S. Ruddlesden 5, D. Trueman (cond.) 6.

**LAUNCELLS, CORNWALL.**—On Jan. 29th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: H. Heard 1, J. W. Sangwin 2, E. Nunn 3, H. Trewin 4, H. Stacey (cond.) 5, J. Halford 6. First of Stedman Doubles for all the band.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,320 Doubles (six methods): Elizabeth Todd 1, Myrtle Cook 2, R. P. Brotherton 3, H. P. Yates 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, A. Neilson 6. For Evensong.

**MOLD, FLINTSHIRE.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Jean Griffiths (first quarter) 1, Jane Owen 2, J. R. Williams (joint cond.) 3, W. Price 4, J. H. Jones (joint cond.) 5, C. Evans 6.

**MORTIMER COMMON, BERKS.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Rumsey 1, W. Saunders 2, R. Sibley (first quarter) 3, Mrs. V. Taylor 4, F. Taylor 5, A. Brackley 6. For Evensong.

**NAZEING, ESSEX.**—On Jan. 30th, 1,260 Doubles: 1. Sams 1, G. W. Sams 2, W. P. Sams 3, W. H. Aley 4, B. G. Burton (cond.) 5, G. E. C. Blake 6. Rung half-muffled as a token of respect to Col. Richard Hynman Andrew, a former churchwarden, also president of local branch British Legion.

**NORTHENDEN, MANCHESTER.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,260 Doubles (11 methods): Marjorie Martin 1, D. Shrubbs 2, S. Coutts 3, J. Cuthbert 4, D. Gillespie (cond.) 5, Jean Cross 6.

**NORTH FERRIBY, E. YORKS.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss Lynda B. Dalton 1, K. Kirk 2, M. J. Wilson 3, H. C. Palmer 4, F. C. Hobson 5, G. K. Smith (first as cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**OLD HEADINGTON, OXFORD.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): J. Adams (cond.) 1, J. Woodman 2, C. Withall 3, H. Badger 4, G. Belcher 5, R. Goodwin 6. A farewell to the Vicar, Rev. O. I. T. Eastman, who was inducted to the living of St. Mary's, Banbury, on Jan. 30th.

**OLD WARDEN, BEDS.**—On Feb. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Seth 1, Miss M. F. Pettitt 2, Miss S. M. Law 3, S. J. Wooler 4, R. L. Piron 5, R. H. French (cond.) 6. A wedding compliment to Miss J. Smith (chorister and ringler) and Mr. M. Buck (cousin of ringler of 4).

**PACKWOOD, WARWICKS.**—On Jan. 19th, 1,260 Minor (Cambridge, Plain Bob): R. E. Tallis, sen. 1, Jennifer M. Cook 2, P. J. Rothera 3, M. C. Hughes 4, R. E. Tallis, jun. 5, P. S. Bennett (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**PAINSWICK, GLOS.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,299 Stedman Caters: Mrs. M. A. Wratten 1, Miss M. E. Kirby 2, W. Jones 3, G. T. Cousins 4, C. A. Wratten (cond.) 5, I. Goulter 6, L. Edwards 7, J. J. Webb 8, P. T. Hurcombe 9, F. Blown 10. First of Stedman Caters for 2 and 3. For Evensong.

**PETERSFIELD, HANTS.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Dawn Handley 1, H. DeCombe 2, Shelagh Rushforth (first 'inside') 3, K. Sansom 4, K. Tipper 5, A. Queen (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**PUTNEY, LONDON.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: L. W. Allen 1, C. W. Outley 2, R. Cooles 3, Alison M. Mann 4, Margaret E. Fort 5, B. H. Coatsworth 6, A. R. Millidge 7, C. F. Mew (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**REDHILL, SURREY.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss B. Sagers 1, A. J. Bull 2, K. Game 3, G. Charlton 4, C. H. Cook 5, G. A. West 6, A. Streeter (cond.) 7, H. Comber 8. First of Stedman 4 and 5. A birthday compliment to the wife of the ringler of 2nd who was 71 this day.

**STOKE-PIRIOR, WORCS.**—On Jan. 15th, 1,440 Doubles (12 methods): Susan Barker (13) 1, M. Powell 2, A. P. White 3, P. Catermole (cond.) 4, J. E. Whittall 5, Sylvia Cater 6. Most methods by all except conductor.

**WYCHBOLD, WORCS.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): M. J. Guise (12) 1, Sylvia Cater 2, A. P. White 3, P. Catermole (cond.) 4, J. E. Pullon 5, Angela Rhys-Morgan 6. Rung half-muffled as a thanksgiving for the life and work of Albert Walters, Vicar since 1956.

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### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

CROSTHWAITE.—Would all ringing friends please note that the address of Cyril Crosthwaite and family is now 14, Southern Avenue, Frenchwood, Preston. 4160

TELEPHONE NUMBER—PARTINGTON.—The new telephone number of John P. Partington (Ringing Secretary of the Lancashire Association and Secretary of the Rochdale Branch), of 56, Clay Lane, Rochdale, is Norden 58414. 4151

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SOUTH DEVON.—Three seats vacant on ringing trip, March 31st to April 4th. Accommodation arranged. Full details from G. Marchant, 154, Dovercourt Road, Horfield, Bristol. 7. 4169

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### MEETINGS

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Derby District.—Joint meeting with the SHERWOOD YOUTHS at Attenborough (8), Saturday, February 22nd.—M. A. Willis, Dis. Sec. 4138

### BACK NUMBERS

'The Ringing World' has received a very generous gift of back numbers dating from 1919 to 1959. While some are brown with the passing of years, the majority are clean and serviceable. We propose to offer these to readers who want to complete their files. The charge will be 8d. per copy post free.

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting, Upwell, Saturday, February 22nd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Tea provided.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 4112

LADIES' GUILD (Central District), MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION (South and West District), OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (East Berks and South Bucks Branch).—Joint meeting, Saturday, February 22nd. Ringing: Hughenden 2.45-3.45 p.m.; High Wycombe 4 p.m. Service 5, followed by tea, film, ringing until 9 p.m. Please send names for tea to S. Bailey, 7, Cockpit Close, Great Kingshill, High Wycombe. 4066

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—V.W.H. Branch.—Annual meeting, Faringdon, Saturday, February 22nd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea at Salutation Hotel. Names, please, to R. F. J. Gilling, Branch Sec., Fernham Faringdon, Berks. 4119

SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS and DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION (Derby District).—Joint meeting at Attenborough on Saturday, February 22nd, at 3 p.m. Tea provided for those who send names to Miss A. Henson, Flat 4B, Oakland Court, Bramcote, Notts.—P. Nix, Sec. 4115

SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Meeting, South Benfleet (6), Saturday, February 22nd, 3 p.m. Cups of tea 3.45. Service 5 o'clock. Ringing until 8 p.m. All visitors very welcome. 4107

SUFFOLK GUILD.—S.W. District.—Meeting at Bures, Saturday, February 22nd. Bells (8), 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. L. D. Mills, Lyford, Colchester Road, Bures, Suffolk.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—Quarterly meeting at Goole, on Saturday, February 22nd. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service in church 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. in Schoolroom. Names to Mrs. J. J. Taylor, 165, Fernhill Road, Goole. Business meeting after tea.—H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec. 4100

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Rural Branch.—Practice meeting, St. Werburgh, Monday, February 24th. Bells (6) available 7.30-9 p.m.—J. Jefferies, Branch Sec. 4162

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Barnby Dun, Saturday, February 29th, 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names to R. Lunn, 24, High Street, Barnby Dun, Doncaster.—J. Laughton, Hon. Sec. 4144

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Forest of Dean Branch.—Meeting at Littledean on Saturday, February 29th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names to Mr. W. Shott, 19, Church Street, Littledean. 4139

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Meeting at Esher on February 29th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. approx., for those who notify J. F. M. Maybrey, 24, Torrington Road, Clavgate, Esher, by previous Wednesday. 4154

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Meeting at Great Chart, Saturday, February 29th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 n.m. Names for tea to Mrs. K. Hobden, Lodge Place Cottage, Great Chart, near Ashford (phone Bethersden 396), by previous Thursday.—C. T. H. 4105

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—Meeting at Westhoughton, Saturday, February 29th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Cups of tea provided. No business.—Thornley, Sec. 4148

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Next meeting, Horbury on Saturday, February 29th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, by previous Thursday to Mr. Irvin Slack, 47, Sunroyd Hill, Horbury, near Wakefield. 4146

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Melton District.—Meeting at Waltham-on-the-Wolds on February 29th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting at the Royal Horse Shoes 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. Matthews, 6, Mere Road, Waltham-on-the-Wolds, Melton Mowbray, by February 26th.—Mrs. M. Stimson, Dis. Sec. 4161

LADIES' GUILD.—Central District.—Annual meeting, Church of the Immanuel, Streatham Common, February 29th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15, followed by tea and meeting. Further ringing till 8 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. Collins, 17, Hamilton Road, Thornton Heath (LIV 7370). Nearest station, Streatham Common (B.R.) 10 mins. buses 109 or 133. Green Lines to and from Croydon pass church. Gentlemen cordially invited.—K. Lock, Hon. Sec. 4108

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Saturday, February 29th. Prior to dinner ringing will take place at Our Immaculate Lady of Victories, Clapham Common, 5.30-6.45 p.m.—M. Powell. 4116

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Western Branch.—Annual general meeting at St. Margaret's, King's Lynn, on Saturday, February 29th. Bells (10) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. L. W. Houghton, 137, Norfolk Street, King's Lynn, by Thursday, 27th.—C. Tovell, Hon. Sec. 4122

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Evening meeting at St. Mary's, Shrewsbury, on Saturday, February 29th. Bells (10) available 7 to 8 p.m.—E. Morris. 4149

STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.—Evening practice meeting at All Saints', Bloxwich, near Walsall, on Saturday, February 29th. Bells (8) available 6.30-8.30 p.m.—C. M. S., Hon. Sec. 3986

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Central District.—Practice meeting, Brandeston (6), February 29th. Bells 6.30-9 p.m.—L. E. Last, Dis. Sec. 4137

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—N. District.—Meeting, February 29th, Sharow (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Names to undersigned. Ripon Cathedral (10) 6-9 p.m.—Edward Hudson, Hon. Sec., Singleton Cottage, Sharow, Ripon. 4164

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southampton Branch.—Eling bells will be rededicated by the Bishop of Winchester at Evensong, Sunday, March 1st, at 6.30 p.m. Ringing after until 8.30 p.m.—G. Northway, Tower Captain. 4147

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—South Oxon Branch.—Annual dinner, March 6th, 7.30 n.m. at Chicken in the Basket, Benson. All ringers and friends welcomed. Tickets, 16s. 6d. from A. E. Howes, 23, Didcot Road, Long Wittenham, Abingdon, Berks. 4114

APPLETON, BERKSHIRE.—The 146th anniversary will be held on Saturday, March 7th. Bells open 2-5.30 p.m. Dinner in Village Hall 6 p.m. Tickets (11s.) from F. A. White, Bellhanger, Appleton, Abingdon, Berks, before March 3rd. 4134

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Branch.—Meeting, Saturday, March 7th, at Corfe. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Names for tea, please, Pitminster bells 7 p.m.—A. H. Reed, 'Mimosa,' George Street, Taunton. 4135

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Meeting at Rewley Regis on March 7th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.15 n.m., followed by tea and business. Names for tea to me by March 3rd, please.—M. D. Fellows, Sec., 14, Western Road, Stourbridge, Wores. 4156

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.E. District.—Meeting at Ardleigh Saturday, March 7th. Bells (8) 2.30 n.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names to F. H. Erith, Vines Farm, Ardleigh. 4145

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.E. District.—Meeting, Sandon, Saturday, March 7th. Bells (6) 2.30 n.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury. 4131



**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Rochester District) and LADIES' GUILD (Kent Branch).**—A meeting will be held at Eastchurch (6) on March 7th—K.C.A. by- and L.G. annual general. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea. Names for tea to Miss J. Hayward, 110, High Street, Eastchurch, Sheppey, Kent, by previous Wednesday, please.—L. Mitchell and S. M. Dobbie, Hon. Dis. Sec. and Hon. Sec. respectively. 4150

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**—Central Branch.—Meeting, Nocton, March 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Methods: Double Oxford and York Surprise. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to Mrs. H. Jackson. Nocton, Lincoln.—S. A. Chambers, Sec. 4163

**ST. FLORENCE, Nr. TENBY, PEMBES.**—Dedication of new ring of six, Saturday, March 7th. Names for tea by March 5th to Rector. The Rectory, St. Florence. 4158

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**SWANSEA & BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern District.—Please note. Meeting at Devynock, Brecon, Saturday, March 7th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Names, please, by February 29th.—J. A. Hoare, 6, Gendros Crescent, Fforstfach, Swansea. 4129

**MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD.**—The annual general meeting will be held on March 10th at 8 p.m. in the Union. The annual dinner will be held in the New Millgate Hotel on March 14th, 7.45 for 8 p.m. Tickets 16s. Guests welcome. All names for dinner to be sent to Jean Allen, Langdale Hall, Victoria Park, Manchester 14, by March 1st. 4153

### COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD

A Dinner

will be held on March 14th, 1964, at the Lockheed Brake Co., Ltd., Tachbrook Road, Leamington Spa, at 6 for 6.30 p.m.

Tickets, 14s. each, from R. Winter, 2, Brentwood Avenue, Finham, Coventry. Applications by March 7th at the latest, please. Those with tickets please note the change in time. 4111

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.E. District.—Supper and social on Saturday, March 14th, in the Village Hall, Danbury, at 6.45 p.m. Tickets, 6s., from P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury. 4132

**HEREFORD GUILD.**—Bromyard District.—Annual meeting, Bromyard, March 14th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names to R. L. Price, 18, New Road, Bromyard, by March 12th, please. 4156

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—By-meeting, Whitstable on Saturday, March 14th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Tea by invitation at 4.30, in Church Hall. Service at 5.30 p.m. Those who require tea please notify, by Thursday, March 12th. Miss H. Palmer, 37, Clare Road, Whitstable. 4165

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS.**—Preliminary notice. Annual general meeting at Preston, Saturday, April 25th, 1964. 4152

**BURTON LATIMER, NORTHANTS.**—On Jan. 17th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Enid Watson 1, B. Cope 2, Ruth Watson 3, Sheila Staley 4, A. Sellers 5, G. Watson 6, R. Stretton 7, M. Staley (first on 8 as cond.) 8. First on eight 3 and 5.

## QUARTER PEALS

**BEDDINGTON, SURREY.**—On Jan. 18th, 1,259 Grandshire Caters: Jean L. Lavender 1, Hilary F. Martin 2, R. J. Cook 3, Kathleen M. Chilcott 4, R. E. Finch 5, R. J. Talbot 6, J. Schofield 7, R. W. Hinde 8, S. F. Kimber (cond.) 9, R. Lee 10. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Guy Milsom Jukes, M.A., Rector 1944-1961.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—At the Church of St. Andrew the Great, on Jan. 26th, 1,280 Bristol Surprise Major: R. M. Damerell 1, K. J. Darvill 2, C. H. Rogers 3, H. E. Bishop 4, J. M. H. Hunter 5, K. J. Triplo 6, J. A. Harrison 7, J. Schofield (cond.) 8. First quarter in the method 2, 6 and 7. Also on Jan. 31st, 1,311 Stedman Cinques: S. C. Walters 1-2, B. D. Threlfall 3-4, J. M. H. Hunter 5-6, A. S. Hudson (cond.) 7-8, V. Nutton 9-10, C. H. Rogers 11-12. First of Stedman Cinques 'in hand' for all the band.

**DORCHESTER-ON-THAMES, OXON.**—On Jan. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: R. Folley 1, Margaret Thewlis 2, Helen Howes 3, D. Exon 4, A. Howes (cond.) 5, F. Absalom 6. For the birthdays of Margaret Thewlis and David Whittton.

**DOWNTON, WILTSHIRE.**—On Feb. 3rd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: I. Ann Abrahams 1, L. A. Page 2, D. Wilson 3, R. Hedges 4, R. Haines 5, E. C. Read 6, R. N. Marlow (cond.) 7, C. Churchill 8.

**FRESHFORD, SOMERSET.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,260 Doubles (two methods): S. Davis (first in two methods) 1, J. E. Newman (first in two methods) 2, A. F. Lee (cond.) 3, B. W. Metcalfe 4, D. A. Burt 5. A compliment to Royston Newman, a local ringer, on his wedding in Kenya.

**GOSEFORTH, NORTHUMB.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss J. Wilton (first quarter) 1, Miss J. Walker 2, Mrs. A. C. Bolton 3, Miss G. Douglas 4, A. C. Bolton (cond.) 5, J. Bell 6. Rung for Candelmas.

**ROTHERWICK, HANTS.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: B. Murduck 1, M. Holbrook 2, P. Holmes 3, D. Murduck 4, P. Murduck 5, G. K. Dodd (cond.) 6. A peal attempt stopped because of illness in the village.

**SEELY OAK, BIRMINGHAM.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,260 Grandshire Triples: Miss P. S. Eckles 1, P. J. Salt (first quarter) 2, Mrs. B. Parsons 3, A. L. Westwood 4, Wm. B. Cartwright (cond.) 5, J. Pinfold 6, H. J. Turner 7, H. T. K. Haslam 8. For Evensong.

**SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.**—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Minor (Kent T.B., Plain Bob): Carol L. Norman 1, B. G. Warwick 2, A. R. Mildred 3, Carol I. V. Corton 4, D. W. Stenson 5, K. H. Mildred (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also on Jan. 19th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: June E. Wood (first of Major) 1, B. G. Warwick (cond.) 2, N. W. Grassby 3, Carol I. V. Corton 4, A. R. Mildred 5, K. H. Mildred 6, D. W. Stenson 7, M. G. Wood 8. For Evensong. Also on Jan. 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. B. Stevens 1, Carol I. V. Corton 2, A. R. Mildred 3, B. G. Warwick 4, K. H. Mildred (cond.) 5, D. W. Stenson 6. For Evensong.

**STREATHAM, LONDON.**—At St. Leonard's Church, on Feb. 9th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. E. Sanders 1, J. Chapman 2, J. Rea 3, R. Sanders 4, Mary Potten 5, G. Parsons 6, J. Euston (cond.) 7, M. Uphill 8. For Evensong and in memoriam Edward G. Talbot.

**SWINDON, WILTS.**—At Christ Church, on Feb. 2nd, 1,259 Grandshire Gaters: W. W. T. Daniell 1, Miss R. Roworth 2, M. D. Penny 3, Miss S. Little 4, P. Minchin 5, Dr. C. G. Roworth 6, A. G. Wells 7, M. Stanley 8, E. Sutton (cond.) 9, P. Spackman (first on 10) 10. A farewell to Canon F. W. Thomas, M.A., who is leaving for Ingal. Also at Christ Church, on Feb. 4th, 1,260 Grandshire Doubles: E. Sutton 1, Miss J. Davidge (first in method) 2, M. Stanley (cond.) 3, Miss S. Little 4, M. Scowen (first quarter) 5, W. W. T. Daniell 6.

**SYDNEY, N.S.W., AUSTRALIA.**—At St. Mary's Basilica, on Jan. 19th, 1,264 Double Norwich C.B. Major: E. J. Fowell 1, Anne E. Cowling 2, Helen J. Henderson 3, Enid L. Roberts 4, J. C. Sheehy 5, W. D. Watson 6, T. W. Goodyer (cond.) 7, L. R. A. Curran 8. First of Double Norwich 2 and 3. Also at St. Mary's Basilica, on Jan. 26th (Australia Day), 1,260 Stedman Triples: Anne E. Cowling 1, Helen J. Henderson 2, Enid L. Roberts 3, J. C. Sheehy 4, W. A. Watson 5, J. C. Cummins 6, T. W. Goodyer (cond.) 7, F. A. Cormack 8. Rung to mark the birth of Rachel Clare Goodyer on Jan. 23rd.

**TWICKENHAM, MIDD.**—On Jan. 19th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: Ann Horsford 1, Elizabeth Hill Brown 2, P. Bevington (first quarter Bob Major) 3, Susan Neal Smith 4, Gillian Neal Smith 5, Dr. A. J. Muir 6, Dr. D. J. Neal Smith (cond.) 7, R. G. Leale 8. A farewell to the ringer of 2.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

### West Dorset Branch

Whitchurch Canicorum lies in the Char Valley, with its large church, fine ring of eight and a 90-foot tower. The West Dorset Branch held its quarterly meeting here on February 8th, when 32 members and visitors were present. The Guild service was conducted by the Rev. G. V. Syer (vice-chairman). An excellent tea was provided and served by Whitchurch ringers and their wives.

Mr. W. C. Powell (Branch chairman) conducted the business meeting and gave a warm welcome to Canon Carew-Cox (president of the Guild) after his illness, and took the opportunity to ask him to present ringing certificates to two junior members of Lyme Regis—the Misses Angela Quick and Jennifer Rice. Canon Cox, in his reply, said he was now fit to take a 'rope' but not for a very long 'touch'. It gave him great pleasure to present the certificates and he hoped these two junior ringers would go on from strength to strength.

Methods rung: Rounds, Grandshire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major. Yorkshire was the service touch.

A coach will be arranged for members to attend the Guild festival at Marlborough.

Next meeting, Symondsburry, April 18th. Practice meetings, Symondsburry, March 11th; Bridport, April 8th; and Lodors, May 13th. All towers subject to permission to ring. J. D.

## THE LADIES' GUILD

### South Wales District

The South Wales District held its annual meeting at St. Mary's, Swansea, on January 25th, when 45 ringers and friends were present. The service was taken by the Rev. Edward Hunt, who extended a warm welcome to the Guild from Canon Harry Williams, the Vicar.

Tea was served in the lovely room adjoining the Lady chapel by Mrs. Whitworth and her helpers. These ladies were thanked by Mr. John Owen, Miss Dilys Hullett thanked the organist and the Rev. Edward Hunt was thanked by Miss Kathleen Watkins.

At the business meeting Mrs. Catherine Coles was elected vice-president. Committee elections were: Branch, Mrs. A. Whitworth, Mrs. A. Bruten, Mrs. W. Griffin and Miss D. Hullett; Central, Mrs. L. Taylor and Miss K. Watkins. It was decided to try to hold meetings at Caldicot on April 18th and St. Mellons on October 31st.

The five bells at St. Mary's, Swansea, were enjoyed well into the evening.

## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

### West Lindsey Branch

On January 18th the West Lindsey Branch held its annual meeting at Gainsborough. Many towers were represented at All Saints' Church and at the social evening that followed. The two special methods, Bob Major and Cambridge Major, were in frequent demand.

The service was conducted by Canon J. E. Roberts, Vicar and president of the Branch, after which tea was served in All Saints' School by lady ringers and their friends.

At the business meeting routine matters received attention and Branch officials were re-elected en bloc. A short silence was observed in memory of Mr. Duffield, a regular Sunday service ringer of Owston Ferry, who died recently.

The highlight of the social evening was the showing of the film 'Ringers Wanted,' and the silence during the screening was just as much a tribute as was the applause at the end.

Next meeting: Owston Ferry; annual outing to Coventry.

## LATE NOTICE

### LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

Annual Dinner, Feb. 29th, 1964.

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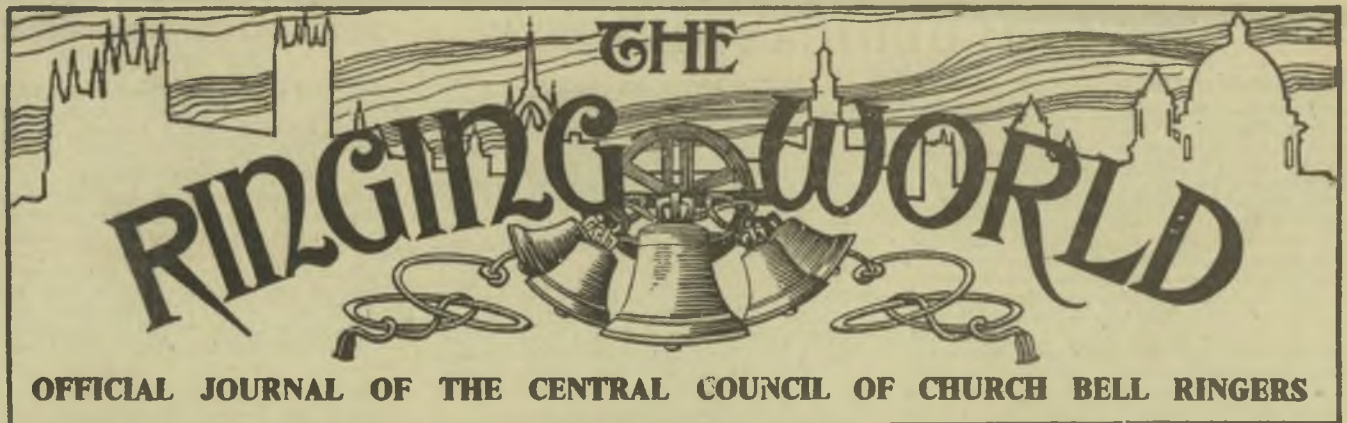
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## \* YOUR MOST OBLIGED, HUMBLE SERVANT, WM. EVANS \*

By the Rev. JOHN SCOTT

IN the year 1729, the Dean and Chapter of Exeter Cathedral again decided that something really must be done about the bells. In the first place, three of the ring in the south tower were cracked, including 'Grandisson,' the tenor, and the Nine O'Clock Bell, the 8th of the ring, which had been given by Bishop Oldham in the early 16th century. In the second place, it was long past the time when the Cathedral should have a proper ring of ten. There were ten bells in the tower, but they weren't a ring of ten; nine in B flat and the odd bell, called 'Pongamouth,' which gave them a light six, in E flat; in fact the treble of the nine, John Birdall's bell, was probably not rung except with this light six. Now that they were doing something about the cracked bells, they might at last get a real ring of ten.

The founder whom they called in for the job was William Evans, of Chepstow, who, with his father Evan, had already made a name for himself with several excellent jobs in Devon. Evans' first proposal was to recast the three cracked bells, and also the 3rd and 4th (now the 6th and flat 6th of the twelve), although the latter were sound. Why he wanted to recast the bell which Purdue had added to make a true back eight is hard to tell, but that is what he proposed, at £1 8s. 0d. per hundredweight, and to rehang the bells for another £70; with extra metal to replace wastage and a little more added, he estimated that the job would run out at £391 14s. 10d., the Dean and Chapter to provide a site for the 'Foundry' and materials for building and roofing it. Evans expected that the job would take eight or nine months.

These proposals for some reason the Chapter did not accept; certainly they did not agree to the recasting of the 3rd and 4th, and a meeting was arranged, at which they could discuss it with the founder. On the table was a set of draft proposals, on a folded sheet of foolscap which still lies in the Cathedral library, covered with the alterations, marginal notes and alterations which were written into it at the meeting. And the very first sentence solves one mystery. It has always seemed likely that the Cathedral bells became a true ten with a flat 4th, in addition at the time of this work by Evans; yet the present 3rd, which completed this ten, is inscribed, 'Recast 1729.' If she was recast, she must have been in the Cathedral before; and if she was there before, why did the Dean and Chapter ask Evans to make the bells up to a true major ten? Here is how the new proposals began: 'To Recast the Three Cracked Bells;—and then, scribbled in in a different hand during the meeting—'and the Little Nine O'Clock Bell which is now in the One-Bell-Tower.' The 'One-Bell-Tower' is clearly the north tower, where 'Peter' hangs, and this 'Little Nine O'Clock Bell' must have been the last survivor of the four smaller bells which hung there before the Reformation.

And this is how Eyans added a bell new to the ring, and yet a recast of one of the Cathedral's own.

The Chapter went into every clause in detail; a note in the margin records the amount of extra metal allowed for waste in three of Evans' recent jobs, at Roseash, Cruwys-Morchard and 'Chimleigh,' in answer to another note between the lines—'if anything should be allowed for wast; and then how much?' Evans' proposal for an allowance of £5 per gross hundred or less—in other words an extra £5 for any amount over the round hundredweight—is crossed out and above it written '£5 per gross hundred'; the Chapter drove a hard bargain. One suspects that Evans may have tried to persuade the Chapter to supply the site and materials for his 'Foundry' by minimising the cost of doing it this way, saying that it would cost no more than £15 or £20. If so, he was nicely hoist with his own petard, for the Chapter crossed out that section and wrote in that he was to have a flat £25 and erect his own foundry on his own rented site. And he agreed that, if any of his bells should within one year 'be Spoiled or Crack'd in fair Ringing or Chimeing; he recasts and makes it good as at first.'

And so the work went forward, and the bells were cast; but Evans, perhaps through lack of experience with such very big bells, ran into trouble; he ran out of metal when the nine o'clock bell was run. In a letter to the Dean he asked for some help in casting her again—a very nice letter too, for Evans unlike some founders of his time was a literate man with a nice hand. Telling of 'the hard fortune I had in casting your bells, especially 9 O'Clock Bell,' he 'can't say but that you have paid me v. honourable according to my first a/c given in...' but explains that 'I was stunted to an impossibility as to weight, unless I had lessened them, which would have prejudiced them v. much & trusting to your Honours I ventured to keep them strong Bells and notwithstanding I have over-run'd my contract as to the addition of Mettal, yet there is not a pound too much in either of them.' He has left, he says, a note with Mr. Webber of the amount of metal involved (the note is here, next to the letter in the folder), and says that as for the waste he is 'very well satisfied to stand in't, and as for the other if you please to consider me I shall be for ever obliged to you and always remain, Rever'd Sir, your most obliged Serv't to comm'd. Wm Evans' (with a cheerful little squiggle underneath).

Oddly enough, the Nine O'Clock Bell, now called 'Oldham' and the 10th of the twelve, the bell which Evans had to cast again, was the most successful of the four. 'Grandisson' and 'Fox' were the only bells in the tower which were considered below the standard of the others in 1902, and they were recast by Taylor; 'Grandisson,' which weighed 62 cwt. as cast by Evans, had half a ton added to her metal and is by no means too heavy for Purdue's magnificent 11th; probably here too Evans was 'stunted to a (near) impossibility.' And the 'Little Nine O'Clock' was cracked in 1915 and had to be recast, taking the name of the then Dean, 'Farle.' But Evans' 'Oldham,' 33 cwt. without her canons, still holds her head high in her exalted company, and remains a monument to William Evans' happy issue out of all his afflictions.



## TWO REDEDICATIONS

### CADDINGTON BELLS RING AGAIN

Caddington, Bedfordshire, celebrated an important event in its history on January 17th, when the newly-restored bells of All Saints' Church were rededicated by the Bishop of Bedford, the Rt. Rev. John Trillo.

For 133 years this pleasant-toned ring of six (tenor 9½ cwt.) had been unsafe for ringing, and for the last 25 years even chiming has been impossible.

In 1949 a gift of £100 by the Vicar's warden marked the beginning of a movement for their restoration. The task was a formidable one for, in addition to the recasting of the 3rd and 5th bells and the retuning of the other four, a new metal frame, supported by steel girders, and the necessary fittings were required, not to mention the complete reconstruction of the ringing chamber!

Despite increased costs, the Vicar and parishioners were determined that their bells should be heard again, and success has at last crowned their efforts. Expert ringers praise the excellence of the completed job.

To a 'capacity' congregation the Bishop of Bedford gave a most inspiring address, in which he revealed a considerable knowledge of bells and the art of change ringing. For the actual ceremony of dedication the Bishop, with the Vicar and churchwardens, made the short climb to the belfry, then followed the usual opening rounds but on the word 'Stand' one unfortunate ringer failed to set his bell at the first attempt, which brought from the Bishop the humorous remark, 'He pays!'

After the service, whilst the unfamiliar sound of the bells spread over the village, refreshments were served in the nearby Church Hall, and, for the ringers who took part in the actual dedication, what the Vicar called 'traditional' refreshment! (In Caddington there appears to be a general belief that bellringers require large quantities of beer.)

#### HISTORY

Caddington bells have a very interesting history. As early as the beginning of the 15th century there appear to have been four bells, and in 1640 a new oak frame, designed for six bells, was installed, but the other two bells were not added until about 1710.

In 1776 the bells were rehung, but only six years later they were taken down and sent to Whitechapel to be recast.

The re-opening was made the occasion of great rejoicing and an item in the churchwardens' accounts reads: 'Widow Pateman's bill for victuals and liquors, £2 6s. 6d.' 'Beer for the ringers' appears as a frequent entry in the accounts for the 18th century. The recast and rehanging bells did not remain in a satisfactory condition for very long, and individual bells were recast in 1808 and 1819, also various other repairs were made at this time.

In 1829 William Mellard was appointed Vicar and (I quote): 'He lived like an old-fashioned country squire, drank his bottle of good port every day and left the parish, bells and all, to go to ruin, and the congregation became Non-Conformists.'

To-day Caddington has a very fine ring of bells, which are a joy to handle, and a well-appointed ringing chamber, but there are no local ringers, though there has been a splendid response to the Vicar's appeal for recruits and it is hoped that, with the help of experienced ringers from outside the parish to act as instructors, the deficiency will soon be remedied.

A. E. R.

#### INSCRIPTIONS

Treble.—J. Taylor and Co., Founders, Loughborough, 1881.

Second.—Danl. Gazely and Jno. Aslin. Chapman and Mears of London, Fecurunt 1782.

Third.—John Adam and Robt. Stockley, Chapman and Mears of London, Fecurunt 1782. William Austin and Walte Mooring, Churchwardens. Kenneth Habermehl, Vicar. Recast 1963.—Taylor, Loughborough.

Fourth.—John Smith, Francis Smart, Churchwardens. 1809. Thomas Mears and Son of London. Fecit.

Fifth.—Chapman and Mears of London, Fecurunt 1782. Recast 1963.—Taylor, Loughborough.

Tenor.—John Smith, Francis Smart, Churchwardens. T. Mears of London, Fecit 1819.

### ST. MARY'S, KELVEDON

Over 100 ringers and friends were present at the service of rededication of the bells of St. Mary's, Kelvedon, Essex by the Bishop of Colchester on February 15th. The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. P. C. Elers), who read one of the lessons, and Mr. Alan R. Elliott the other. The Bishop gave an address. Local ringers rang a short touch on the bells immediately after dedication.

The work on the bells was very extensive and was carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. It included rehanging on ball-bearings with all new fittings. Those present included Mr. Pannell, a trustee of the Barron Bell Trust, and his wife, Mr. W. A. Hughes and the Master and secretary of the Northern District of the Essex Association.

Following the service, a buffet tea was served in St. Mary's Hall. The Bishop thanked all concerned for their hospitality and said he always enjoyed coming to Kelvedon. Mr. A. R. Elliott replied, saying how pleased Kelvedon people were to have the Bishop with them. He thanked those present for making the afternoon a success and those who had helped to raise the money for the work. The only disappointment was the absence of the tower captain, Mr. J. Elliott, through ill-health, as he had done much in the past to keep the bells ringable and to have them restored.

Ringers then returned to the church and the bells were kept going until 8.30 p.m. The gathering was very representative, including ringers from Essex, Suffolk, Sussex, Herts and London.

A. R. E.

### THE WASHINGTON DEDICATION

We hope next week to publish the names of the ringers invited to fly to Washington for the dedication on Ascension Day of the Gloria in Excelsis Tower in the Cathedral.

This epoch making event in ringing is contingent upon a worthy contribution towards the expenses being forthcoming from this side of the Atlantic. At the present moment just over £300 has been assured. Donations should be sent to Mr. Douglas Hughes, c/o Westminster Bank, St. Mary Axe, E.C.3.

### RINGING IN DEVON DURING 1963

Devon can safely be regarded as one of the most popular counties for bellringing as well as for spending a well-earned holiday. It has many glorious rings of bells, the main ones being the 12's at Exeter Cathedral and Buckfast Abbey. There are, in addition, two rings of ten, 86 of eight, 246 of six and about 36 of five. Of all the ringers in the county, however, only one-fifth are 'scientific,' the remainder ringing call changes. The former are attached to the Guild of Devonshire Ringers and the latter the Devon Association of Ringers.

The 'Half Pull' fraternity have not been idle during the past year. It has been a successful year for the Guild as far as peal ringing is concerned, the total number being 26. This includes Mr. W. Williams' Tour and a tour organised by the South West Branch, which was 100 per cent. successful, as all the seven attempts arranged were accomplished. In November last the world was shocked by the assassination of President Kennedy: the only peal rung half-muffled for this occasion was one of Grandsire Triples at Buckfast Abbey, but a quarter peal of Grandsire Caters was rung half-muffled at St. Andrew's, Plymouth.

There was a steady influx of visitors for ringing holidays. These included the Shalford (Surrey) Ringers' tour and successful ringing week-ends organised by Messrs. Arthur Pearson (Wombourne) and Alan F. Lee (Bath).

In addition to the annual general meeting at Exeter and various Branch meetings a number of members have organised whole-day and half-day excursions. This is a useful means of helping the less experienced.

The Devon Branch of the Ladies' Guild, which was formed in 1962, must not be overlooked. It held three successful meetings, the autumn meeting at Tiverton being an outstanding success.

A. L. B.

## INSPIRING RINGING COURSE AT IPSWICH

Fourteen members of the Suffolk Guild and two members of the Essex Association assembled at Belstead House, Ipswich, on Friday, January 31st, for the first course on the art to be held within the county.

After dinner, Mr. L. E. Last, the organiser, separated the ringers from the French Speaking Course and launched into the subject of bells, their uses and origins. The lecture was designed to be given to the general public to encourage any would-be ringers who had no idea of our art. The idea was that the quality of the lecture would be discussed afterwards to improve the overall layout and texture.

The course instructors, Mr. Wilfrid Moreton and Mr. Norman Chaddock, arrived later in the evening, unfortunately a little too late to give their views on Mr. Last's lecture. Mr. Chaddock emphasised that the course would be based on 'Teaching the Beginner' and gave some idea of what he expected of us during the rest of the course.

Mr. Chaddock was the first lecturer on Saturday morning, his theme being, 'How to teach a beginner and to keep his or her interest in ringing for many years to come.' He implored his hearers not to let a beginner sit idle in the ringing chamber at any time. When not ringing, the learner must be given something to work out on paper. Mr. Chaddock explained in great detail the methods he has used to encourage the learner with the use of handbells.

Mr. Moreton interlaced the lectures with Mr. Chaddock's and explained what a competent ringer must know before he should actually instruct a beginner on change ringing. In effect an instructor should be a capable conductor before he attempted to ring and 'put right' at the same time. Mr. Moreton based his lectures on Plain Bob, method construction and coursing orders and their variations due to calls.

Mr. Ranald Clouston explained the pitfalls of insufficient care and maintenance to bell mountings and frames, examples being given from many of the towers in Suffolk known to virtually all the students.

The short service on Sunday morning was preceded by four Suffolk Guild ringers ringing a course of Grandsire Triples on handbells. Mr. Chaddock and Mr. Moreton concluded their lectures during the morning.

Throughout the whole course there was a surprising interest shown by the other course, to such an extent some took part in handbell ringing under the eagle eye of Mr. Last. There was always a request for handbell demonstrations and these requests were fulfilled after meals before the sitting broke up.

To conclude, Mr. Cecil W. Pipe proposed a vote of thanks to the instructors for a most interesting and inspiring week-end. E. H.

### ST. CHAD'S, SHREWSBURY, 50th ANNIVERSARY

There is sure to be a big gathering of ringers on Saturday, May 30th, at St. Chad's, Shrewsbury, to mark the 50th anniversary of the rededication of the recast and rehung 12 bells. The ceremony was performed by the Dean of Lichfield (Dr. Savage) on Wednesday, May 20th, 1914, in the presence of a large congregation.

After the dedication the bells were rung to a course of Grandsire Cinques by the local band. Of these, there are two survivors—Mr. G. Scarlett (aged 94) and Mr. W. R. Stockdale (aged 82). Later in the evening the 39 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb. tenor was turned in by the late C. R. Lilley to Kent Treble Bob Major.

On the 50th anniversary it is hoped that many visitors will attend and a special welcome is extended to all who in the past have been 'locals' at St. Chad's. The tower will be open at 3 p.m., a short service will be held later and local ringers are hosts to tea in the Parish Room. In the evening the tower will be open from 7 to 8.30 p.m.



## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD Leatherhead District

Because two of the bells at Leatherhead were out of order, the District annual general meeting on February 1st was transferred to Ashstead. About 40 members and friends were present, but only eight of the 15 towers were represented. Apologies for absence were received, however, from 10 of the younger members who were attending the annual reunion of the Society of Roving Ringers. Five new members were elected.

The District Committee's report showed that 41 quarter peals had been rung by Sunday service bands during 1963 at 11 different towers. The sum of £5 5s. had been donated towards the cost of the restoration work at Leatherhead and the Cathedral Bells Fund had risen to £192. It was subsequently reported to the meeting that a further £62 had been collected, mainly as a result of carol singing by the Ashstead band.

The District Master, Mr. A. P. Cannon, was nominated for election to the Central Council following the death of Mr. A. C. Hazelden. C. W. M.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD Marlborough Branch

Two towers that have not been visited by the Marlborough Branch for several years—Preshute and St. Peter's, Marlborough—were chosen for the February meeting. Judging by the attendance the choice was attractive and visitors from Bishop's Cannings, Devizes and Swindon were welcomed.

Ringing started on the six at Preshute, with the Rev. Roger Keeley in charge. Despite some complications with two stays, ringing was enjoyed. The Rector (the Rev. R. D. Horton) conducted the service.

At the short business meeting which followed tea at Marlborough, Captain Mansfield-Robinson gave a résumé of arrangements proposed for the Guild Festival to be held in Marlborough in May. Details are to be worked out by the local committee.

Ringing at St. Peter's was under the direction of Mr. Richard Ingles, Master of the Marlborough College Ringing Society, whose members make a valuable contribution to Branch activities. St. Peter's eight bells, considered unringable for many years, have, during the past year or so, been overhauled through the initiative of Captain Mansfield-Robinson, R.N. (Ret.) and are now in regular use. They provide the Branch with two octaves, the other being at Aldbourne. The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. T. A. Palmer (hon. secretary).

March meeting: Pewsey, with Ramsbury as an alternative (both subject to permission). W. A. E.

## 50 YEARS AGO

'Ringing World,' February 20th, 1914.

For the first time in history the Exercise can boast of having in its ranks a Lord Chief Justice, Lord Justice Cherry having been elevated to the position of Lord Chief Justice of Ireland. He has reached this exalted office after a distinguished career, both in law and politics, and the Exercise will join in congratulating him upon reaching one of the highest offices open to his profession.

The recent performance which we noted at Newcastle Cathedral, where a visitor from Gosforth raised the tenor (37½ cwt.) in 5 min. 35 sec., recalls the occasion when Mr. James H. McCracken raised the tenor single-handed at Edinburgh Cathedral (42 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb.) in exactly two minutes, timed by Messrs. W. R. Fife, J. R. Robertson and J. Whitson. This was on January 25th, 1911.

## TO GO TO BUCKINGHAM PALACE



MR. G. WILTON-JONES.

Congratulations to Graham Wilton-Jones, of Watton, Norfolk, in gaining his gold medal in the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme and on becoming a Queen's Scout. He is shortly to visit Buckingham Palace to meet the Duke of Edinburgh.

Taught to handle a bell some years ago by Mr. Charles Banham, of Caston, Graham is now a member of the Watton band, led by Arthur Potter. He is also a chorister and server at this church. Another member of the band is his brother Ian, and his sister Dorothy (now Mrs. Berry) was until her marriage.

Graham is in his final year at Hamond's Grammar School, Swaffham, studying for his 'A' Level certificate. On his 'O' Level certificate he has eight passes.

Four times a year the boys from Hamond's Grammar School file across Swaffham market place to a service in the Parish Church, and Graham is one of the pupils who, on their own initiative, ring for these services.

He leads a full life for his ringing is shared with Scout activities, ornithology, cycling and keeping cacti.

## 200 PEALS FOR THE TRURO GUILD

By taking part in a peal of Grandsire Triples at St. Dennis on January 25th the Rev. A. S. Roberts has become the first to reach a total of 200 peals for the Truro Diocesan Guild. All but two of the peals have been rung in Cornwall, and these exceptions were at Hatherleigh and Emmanuel, Plymouth. The Cornish towers comprise the two ten-bell towers, which have both been 'circled,' 39 rings of eight, 23 of six and three of five. The methods were as follows:—

Royal.—Pudsey 1, Oxford Treble Bob 1, Plain 2.

Caters.—Grandsire 9.

Major.—Cambridge 5, New Cambridge 1, Double Norwich 2, Kent Treble Bob 8, Canterbury Pleasure 2, Plain Bob 32.

Triples.—Stedman 2, Grandsire 75, Plain Bob 6.

Minor.—Four methods 3, Cambridge 1, Plain 16.

Doubles.—Four methods 4, Grandsire 30. Total.—200.

## OBITUARY

### MR. ARTHUR DIXON

The tower captain of St. Andrew's, Heckington, Lincs, Mr. Arthur Dixon, died peacefully at his home on February 7th, aged 79.

A keen ringer and church worker, he joined the Heckington band in 1909. His first peal at Heckington was in 1912. Much of his time was spent teaching young ringers; he enjoyed their company and had much patience with them.

Five years ago he was presented with a silver tea set in recognition of his 50 years as a bellringer. Ill health prevented him from ringing for the last 18 months, but his interest in ringing was still keen and he continued to take 'The Ringing World.'

The funeral service took place on February 11th in the presence of a very large congregation. In the evening the bells of St. Andrew's were rung half-muffled as a token of respect by some of his ringing friends from the District.

### MR. E. H. FINCH

In our last issue we reported the death of Mr. Edward H. Finch, of Stapleford, Cambs. On February 13th some of his old ringing comrades met at Stapleford and rang the bells half-muffled to his memory. Those taking part were Miss K. Willers, Messrs. J. W. Ward, F. Harper, T. R. Dennis, J. G. Gipson, C. W. Cook and A. E. Austin.

Mr. Austin writes that previous to 1919 Mr. Finch had travelled in America and Canada, working in the building trade. At one time he was living in London, and used to speak of his association with the late T. H. Taffender. He was a good ringer and liked to hear bells well struck. 'I took part in all his 56 peals,' he concluded.

His peals were rung between November, 1920, and December, 1932. They were for the following Associations: Ely Diocesan 47, Hertford County 7, and Essex 2.

Details are:—

Major.—Cambridge Surprise 2, Superlative Surprise 2, Double Norwich 1.

Minor.—Surprise: Seven methods 17, London 9, Cambridge 4, York 2, Wells 2, Durham 2, Surfleet 2, Beverley 2, Annable's, London 1, Immanuel 1, Netherseale 1, Lightfoot 1, Berwick 1, Plain and Treble Bob 6. Total 56.

## HORNCASTLE RINGERS' DINNER

The Guild of Ringers at Horncastle Parish Church, which now numbers 15 active and regular members, held its annual dinner on Shrove Tuesday at the Black Swan, Horncastle. The Vicar (the Rev. Arthur C. F. Davies), an honorary life member of the Worcestershire Association and a member of the Universities Association, presided over a good company of relations and friends.

In proposing the health of the local Guild, the Vicar made special reference to Mr. Charles Towell, one of the oldest members, who had recently celebrated his 80th birthday, who had that week-end reached the age of 70. He also referred to the devotion and hard work of the captain, Mr. Horace Bennett, who during the past five years had instructed many young men and women in the art of change ringing. 'In the years ahead there should not be any shortage of ringers in St. Mary's tower. In fact, if things go on as they have done in recent months, the next thing we shall need will be a few more bells!' concluded the Vicar.

A programme of games, which the committee had organised with care and forethought, was enjoyed by all.

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# Letters to the Editor

## A Patent for Casting Bells

Dear Sir,—The word 'Patent' on the bell in the Old Clock Tower at Hackney, described by Mr. Hinkley in the January 17th issue, is no doubt a reference to Letters Patent No. 2319 of 1853 granted to Frederick Warner of the house of John Warner and Sons, of The Crescent, Jewin Street, City of London, and John Shotton, Foreman, for Improvements in the Manufacture of Large Bells.

The specification states: Heretofore in casting large bells it has been usual to build up a core and to coat it with loam, which, when dry, has been covered with hay bands or other material and faced with loam, such covering, when dry, representing the intended bell in thickness and device; and from this as a pattern a loam mould on a suitable frame has been taken, which mould (after being removed from the core and the pattern of the bell taken away) has, when dried, been used together with the core for casting the bell.

Now by your invention, in place of making the outer mould from a pattern bell produced on the core, we employ a vessel (preferably one of cast iron) perforated with numerous holes, and of a size somewhat larger than the intended bell, within which we apply a coating of loam, and by a suitable strike (which is caused to move round as is well understood) we produce the desired form of mould. And we would state that, although an ordinary core may be used, we prefer to have the core made of a hollow iron casting perforated all over with holes and coated with loam. The loam is made by a strike or template made correctly to represent the reverse of the interior of the intended bell. The core and the external mould being thus produced are dried and then placed correctly together, and the bell is to be cast in the ordinary manner.

M. HODGSON.

Chesham.

## 'Boiled' Tenor Rope-end

Dear Sir,—Visitors to H.M.S. 'Victory' are shown the unravelling rope ends which did duty in Nelson's time as dinner-napkins for the ratings and were reputed to end their service in the stockpot. In case some friends who know of the long-established naval traditions in my husband's family hesitate, after reading Mr. Dunstan's letter, to risk our hospitality, I should like to assure them that the tail-end-tasting ceremonies are not held at meal-times, and that participation in them is quite voluntary ('He can't tell Yorkshire from Bushey!').

I am also asked to explain that the whole rope came home: though only the end attached throughout was boiled. It spent a night drip-drying out of the bathroom window, with the rest of the rope coiled menacingly in a corner (see 'The Speckled Band') and finished up wreathed round the towel rail, in deference to my first memory-laden cry—we have washed sallies before now—'Not in the airing cupboard!'—Yours faithfully,

MARGARET D. WOOLLEY.

Bushey Heath.

## The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Dear Sir,—I am endeavouring to find out how many boys and girls have chosen ringing as their pursuit for the above award, and I should be grateful if those who can provide information on the matter would let me know.—Yours faithfully,

E. A. BARNETT,  
Hon. Secretary.

Central Council of Church Bell Ringers.

## Mr. Knight's One Mistake

Dear Sir,—As secretary of the Andover District and a member of the Guild Executive, I contacted the secretary of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild to find out his objection to the Wessex Scholars. The only objection was the clashing of meetings. What has never been explained is the reason for the Overton meeting which was arranged by Mr. Knight so that he could explain the objects of his Society to myself and other Guild members of the Andover and Basingstoke District with a view to gaining our support, and at a future nomination meeting enrolling us as members.

Mr. Knight made his mistake in his selection of the date. His original date was the previous Saturday to our meeting date, but on my advice he cancelled his notice already sent to 'The Ringing World' and unknowingly 'jumped out of the frying pan into the fire' by clashing with his own District meeting. As it happened only two Winchester District members were present and none present would have attended the Guild meeting except Mr. Knight and his secretary, Mr. Carter.

I feel Mr. Knight has been forced to dissolve his Society by the pressure of young members of our Guild and Canon Felstead condemning him on one mistake. Mr. Knight had in fact organised, and I emphasise the word *organise*, because it is organisation that is needed to ring the bells of the silent towers on Sundays and to teach bands from scratch to ring their own bells. There are three towers in this area who have asked for help—Dummer, Monk Sherborne and Thruxton. I cannot undertake this as I am already out five nights and on Sunday ring for three services.

I feel sure that the Rector of Dummer would agree. The Guild had been approached regarding this tower, promises made and nobody put in an appearance because there was nobody to do so. Mr. Knight's Society would have fulfilled this had it been allowed to flourish.—Yours sincerely,

G. K. DODD.

Woolton Hill.

## 'Hagbourne Chaps'

Dear Sir,—With reference to my friend Bill Hibbert's appreciation of the late Mr. Jim Butler in 'The Ringing World' (page 77), Jim rang his first peal of Stedman Triples at East Hagbourne, Berks, on July 30th, 1919, conducted by Herbert Langdon. It was also the first of Stedman for Jack Dearlove, and my first peal. My father taught all three of us to ring. We were all 'Hagbourne chaps!'

With Jim's death Herbert Langdon and myself are the only survivors of that band. And what a lovely peal that was! It was well struck with not a single mistake and the only words spoken were the calls. Bill's 'dear old dad' rang the sixth and the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn the seventh.

Incidentally, these two stalwarts, who considered my father to be one of the best teachers in the Guild (he had rung many peals with the Rev. F. E. Robinson and J. W. Washbrook) commissioned him to teach the Blewbury band Stedman (12 lessons at 2s. 6d. each). This he did but the 30s. was not forthcoming until Mr. Jenkyn and 'Tom' Hibbert had seen the Blewbury band ring a quarter of Stedman and made sure that he had done the job properly!

Bill's father, by the way, walked from East Ilsley to Hagbourne and back (five miles each way) to get my father through his first '500' of Grandsire. That was back in the 1890's. They were lifelong friends.—Yours faithfully,

T. F. EAST.

Sandown, Isle of Wight.

## Times Have Changed

Dear Sir,—For some years, we have had in our ringing room a photograph taken in 1906 of the 'Old East Derbyshire and Sheffield Society of Change Ringers.' Almost a hundred ringers appear on the photo, nearly all mature men. There are no real youngsters and no ladies. It was taken on the occasion of a ringing meeting at Sheffield Cathedral. (I wonder whether there will be 100 ringers at the Sheffield and District Society's annual meeting at Rotherham on March 7th next?)

It has only been possible to identify about half those appearing on the photograph (which is in excellent condition). These include some notable characters such as George Lewis, well known for his musical compositions; Clem Glenn, who trebled the size of the Y.A. real reports in his active peal ringing days; Albert Nash, who, despite terrible burns to his hands in an accident causing loss of some fingers on both hands, was an immaculate ringer of bells up to 35 cwt. and a brilliant conductor; S. F. Palmer (Sid), who rang for 70 years in a life spanning several ringing generations—what a wealth of stories and information he could disclose of ringers of 50 years ago and more, and what a pity it has not all been set down on paper. Then there is John Thorpe, of a family of ringers giving great service to Sheffield Cathedral, the Hattersleys, the Knights, Bob Harrison (father of Collin of Loughborough), Jack Brothwell and John Flint and many other notables.

Only two of those identified are still alive. A. P. Knights and Francis Ward. Perhaps they will join us at Rotherham on March 7th and help us identify the remainder, and so help us preserve links with the past.—Yours sincerely,

NORMAN CHADDOCK.

Rotherham.

## New Points on Yorkshire Tail Ends

Dear Sir,—I have read with interest the correspondence on Yorkshire ends but I feel sure they have not made these points:

Plain ends are more adaptable to individual ringers, by taking the end either up or down. With Yorkshire ends one must either use knots or boxes.

Plain ends are affected by the weather much more than the Yorkshire ends.

The Yorkshire ends seem to come down from the back stroke slightly more neat than the plain ends do. They are all right at a tower where each ringer has his own bell and no meetings held there.

The plain ends are cheaper than the Yorkshire ends and they can be sliced when they are showing signs of wear, whereas the Yorkshire ends cannot be sliced.

From these points you will see that both Yorkshire ends and plain ends have their good points and bad points. Perhaps plain ends have a few more good points than Yorkshire ends, but it is utterly ridiculous to say that Yorkshire ends are useless. As the saying goes, one man's meat is another man's poison.—Yours, etc.,

M. BROWN.

Drighlington, near Bradford.

## Yorkshire Royal at Winton

Dear Sir,—People are so used to the fact that the 1064 was not the first peal of Yorkshire Royal on the bells. This was rung by a young man touring Somerset, of which I was a member, on September 5th 1034, conducted by William Williams. Incidentally it was the first in the county and for the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.—Yours, etc.,

F. W. ROGERS.

Portsmouth.

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## IN DEFENCE OF A HALLOWED SHRINE

### Treasured Possession

Dear Sir, — Never did I think our paper could be used by such remarks (totally uncalled for) as those made by Mr. P. Amos. As regards the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, which is known the world over, we who go there gain great spiritual uplift and happiness from it. I might add that the Shrine authorities had not at the time of the clergyman's remarks in 'The Church Times' made an appeal for the new extensions. The truth of the matter is that if sacrificial giving was practised more (and by a great many so-called loyal Anglicans) there would be adequate funds for all our needs.

As regards contradiction of the Second Commandment, I would tell Mr. Amos that we do not worship images, figures, candles, etc., but express a great love of Our Lord's Holy Mother, the same love and devotion which prompted our forefathers to build and dedicate our lovely old parish churches up and down our land to Our Lady.

Finally, I must remind Mr. Amos that we are still living in a free country, with freedom of religion as one of our treasured possessions; also we are free to spend our money as we think fit. There will be those who will support new bell funds, those who will support the Shrine funds, those like myself who have supported both.

Yes, let us indeed have all the great rings of 12 we can, but please do not begrudge money spent on the work of the Church both in this land and overseas.—Yours faithfully,  
Farnworth, Lancs. JOSEPH THORNLEY.

### A Great Power

Dear Sir,—I was disturbed to read the letter on page 108 from Mr. Percy Amos under the title 'Bells or Candles.'

It seems that Mr. Amos has taken two completely unrelated cases—Bow Bells and the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham—in order to launch a private campaign against certain religious practices. 'The Ringing World' is not the place to give vent to unkind feelings towards a particular school of thought within the Church, especially when the case in point is connected in no way with the Exercise.

I do not deny that I am in sympathy with the practices carried on at Walsingham, and therefore deeply resent some of the things Mr. Amos says. However, many of his remarks are untrue or unjust. The money is to be spent to provide extra accommodation to pilgrims to Walsingham and not for any ends that the majority of people would regard as being frivolous. The remark about the Second Commandment displays an attitude which would have been quite justified when directed against medieval superstition. Article xxii rightly condemns the 'worship' of images and the like, but the Church has never advocated 'worship' (latreia) in this context. It is right that we should treat statues and relics of the saints with respect, but certainly not with 'worship,' which is due only to God. I suggest, then, that Mr. Amos should find out what really goes on at Walsingham, and realise that its witness is a great power within the Church.

W. G. WILSON.

St. Chad's College, Durham.

### A Protest

Dear Sir,—I must protest at the letter of Mr. P. Amos on page 108.

He quotes the opinion of a priest on a housing estate in Warwickshire whose letter appeared in the 'Church Times' of January 31st, that he begrudges money spent on the restoration of Bow Bells.

I have reread the letter and I cannot find a single word which mentions the bell restoration or the money spent on them. What he does do is to comment on the final appeal for £50,000 to complete the restoration, which has already cost £350,000, and these are his words: 'prompts at least one parish priest to speculate for whom the bell tolls.' He is appealing for a similar sum for his church and points out that this is where the similarity ends.

How very true indeed, but 'The Ringing World' is not the place to comment on matters of this nature. If Mr. Amos is a regular reader of the 'Church Times' he would find some very interesting correspondence in following editions which do indeed support the view of this priest, including a letter from the Rector of St. Mary-le-Bow himself.

As a ringer myself I feel moved to agree with the decision of the Vicar Mr. Amos mentions in his letter. Thank God some priests in our Church give thought to their priorities.

In London alone I know of many churches where in years gone by the parish spent great sums on a ring of bells; they are indeed lucky if they get their bells rung once a year now. Is it any surprise then that the clergy are given to priorities as stated in the letter of Mr. Amos?

I find the third part of his letter reeking with religious prejudice and his own theological point of view. This is not the sort of thing we want to find in 'The Ringing World' I am sure!

But I feel bound to comment on his remarks. I think I am right in saying that at the time of the appeal for the 'Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham' (which is far from being a 'museum of candles,' although it does have a great many things of interest, including the candles, as tens of thousands of faithful people can testify from their own experience of a pilgrimage to it), a positive howl of protest arose, and, one might add, from the Catholics of the Anglican Church who use it.

—Yours faithfully,

MALCOLM FERRIER.

Lewisham, London.

### England's National Shrine

Dear Sir,—Mr. Percy Amos has, I suppose, a perfect right to his own opinions, and to express them, as long as he confines his opinions on bells and bellringing to that subject alone in the columns of 'The Ringing World,' but when he goes out of his way to make a most ill-mannered, ignorant and arrogant attack on England's National Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, I (who am one who is privileged to be a member of the Society of Our Lady of Walsingham) feel bound to make the strongest protest.

Mr. Amos has, presumably, visited the Shrine (museum of candles, he rudely calls it) at some time or other as a captious critic, and has been too proud to do other than remain so. I will remind him that thousands have

made their first visit in a spirit of criticism, and have remained to pray.

I have not the time to go into the history of the Shrine through the ages, save to record the fact that Our Lady, the Mother of God, made her appearances there to the lady Richeldis as far back as 1061. If Mr. Amos has visited the Shrine he could well have parted with a few shillings in payment for a book or two on the history of the Shrine and the pilgrimages.

More and more (thank God!) pilgrims and visitors throng the Shrine each year, to beg the intercession of Blessed Mary, the Mother of God, for the needs of them and their loved ones, and to thank God for favours and blessings received through the intercession. Hence the urgent need for extensions to both Shrine church and the Hospice for the accommodation of pilgrims, who stay there for long or short periods for pilgrimages or for spiritual reasons.

So, when next Mr. Amos and similarly-minded people visit the Shrine, let them do so in a spirit of humility and with a genuine desire to draw closer to God. I will assure Mr. Amos that he, and others, will be prayed for at 6 p.m. At that hour daily, ever since the year 1922, without a break, the Rosary and Intercessions and Thanksgiving are offered, and the first Mystery of the Holy Rosary is always 'for all those who have visited the Shrine today.'

Kettering.

C. J. T. GARDINER.

### 'Glorification of God'

Dear Sir,—I hesitate to take the trouble to reply to Mr. Amos, for any such undertaking is almost bound to bring upon its author a shower of abuse, either through your columns or the post!

I agree, as no doubt do most of your readers, that anyone who holds the views expressed by the vicars in question needs to do some rethinking. Of course these other causes should have first call on our giving, but in our enthusiasm it is easy to forget that we should also employ a proper proportion of our resources in the glorification of God in our churches at home, in their building, furnishing and ornaments. It must not be a case of 'either—or,' but of both.

The church mentioned by Mr. Amos has spent large sums in recent years on works of restoration in face of strong criticism from some of the energetic and outward-looking members of the congregation, and no doubt the recently-appointed Vicar was merely expressing the feelings of his people. Knowing that parish as I do, I am sure that the majority of the congregation would think the same way about the proposed expenditure at Walsingham, but I am also quite certain that anyone with a purely 'C. of E.' attitude to the Virgin Mary, and who has visited the Shrine Church, could not fail to agree that this wonderful place merits a great deal of support and interest.

But if we want to tread the paths of controversy, surely we can find something a little more closely related to ringing.

Daventry. PATRICK I. CHAPMAN.

Note.—This correspondence is now closed as it is inappropriate that aspersions should be cast on those holding different opinions regarding religious beliefs and practices. It is not for us to dictate how Christians should spend their money. There is a lesson from the box of alabaster ointment.—Ed.

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## LETTERS—Continued

**A Handbell Story**

Dear Sir,—This week I received a letter: 'We are going ahead with the order to recondition your 12 handbells on the terms agreed.—Yours faithfully, John Taylor and Co.'

Behind this lies a little story which I offer towards the occasional correspondence about handbell ringing in schools.

At Newport (Essex) Grammar School for Boys we made a tiny start on Bob Minimus, single-handed and for 20 minutes twice a week. This was in the Christmas term, 1962. The handbells were very kindly loaned by St. Mary's, Newport. But they were needed back for Christmas carol ringing. Thaxted had three sets of handbells so I now asked for a loan of their least valuable set. They were willingly lent but out of 12 bells only two were intact, two were cracked and the rest had missing parts.

St. Mary's lent us their bells again in the New Year but we still had our problem for Christmases to follow. So I tried Thaxted again. Would they sell us their unusable set for £5 for a school... with money problems? To our everlasting gratitude they did.

My husband took one look at them and said: 'I hope you are prepared to find £40 to get them put in order! He was right. After trying all kinds of underground methods amongst our friends to get even six usable, we drove, on the foggiest day this year, to Loughborough to see our own (Brent Pelham) new tower bell cast and taking with us the 12 handbells for expert treatment.

The reason all this has been possible is that my headmaster and colleagues on the staff are in support of the particular mental activity required for double-handed method ringing. We hope to have the bells in May and we will raise the money somehow!

This school also contributed to its own Christmas carol service ringing on tower bells. Michael Camp, of Thorley, was the only boy at the time able to ring but we had the support of his father, Mr. Tom Camp, Mr. Heazle (Master of the Essex Association), Mr. H. White, Mr. F. Bird and myself. Now one of the masters, a New Zealander returning home in the autumn or New Year, is learning to ring. He and his wife (Lindsay and Heather Nash) are picking it up quickly and should be the means of bringing more boys into contact with the Exercise.—Yours faithfully,

G. GOODMAN (Mrs.).

Brent Pelham, Herts.

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**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

The annual meeting of the Southern Branch was held at Diss on February 1st and was attended by over 50 members and friends from 26 different parishes in Norfolk, Suffolk and Essex.

The special service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. L. O. Kenyon), who also gave the address.

In the absence of the chairman (Dr. P. Jonason) Mr. Nolan Golden presided over the business meeting at which all the officers were re-elected. Five new members were elected to the Association.

Ringing, which continued till 9 p.m., ranged from rounds for beginners to Superlative Surprise Major for the more expert. C. F. W. P.

**The Ever-open Door!**

Dear Sir,—May I, for the benefit of any band who might be tempted to leave the belfry door unlocked when starting for a peal, relate the following true story?

Having obtained permission of the Vicar, we arrived at a certain Bedfordshire church possessing an excellent ring of eight bells (which, unfortunately, through the shortage of ringers, are seldom rung) and were admitted by a local ringer.

Before starting for a peal of Yorkshire Major we agreed with the local ringer that the door should be left unlocked so that in the event of illness, or any such urgent cause, we could be contacted and the peal abandoned.

Now the Vicar of this parish is new to the district and was formerly the incumbent of a church with no bells and, quite naturally, understands nothing about peal ringing, though he does understand the duties of a host, and after some half-hour's ringing he entered the belfry, wearing his very broadest smile, and gave us a very hearty welcome!

With a cheery word for everyone he meandered around the belfry for some time (obviously enjoying the novel experience of being in the company of a group of people who didn't talk too much), but eventually the call of parochial duties deprived us of his company. This, of course, was quite understandable, and no one would have dreamed of complaining!

The peal went merrily on for about another two hours, by which time the Vicar, having got through the bulk of his morning's work, began to feel guilty at neglecting us for so long, and conceived that we must be in need of refreshment. Presently, therefore, the door opened again, and the Vicar made his second appearance in our midst, this time carrying two large bottles of orange squash and a cup! This caused something of a stir, and the minds of some ringers tended to wander a little, which caused the conductor to issue several sharp commands, by which means he kept things going on the correct lines. The Vicar, under the impression that this special act was put on for his benefit, was quite obviously delighted!

By various hints and gesticulations we eventually managed to convey to the kindly Vicar that the matter of refreshment could be deferred for the present so, placing his burden in a convenient spot so that we could take a drink if and when disposed, he once more took his departure.

The peal was completed, to the great relief of all, for during the final course or two everyone had felt a certain apprehension, expecting any moment to see the Vicar re-enter (this time, perhaps, bringing eight plates of fish and chips!) in which case, who knows what might have happened?!!

Luton, Beds.

A. E. RUSHTON.

**LORD WEYMOUTH SCHOOL GUILD**

An ambition for heavy bells was noted on the outing of 12 members of Lord Weymouth School Guild, Warminster, on February 10th.

There was a surprise at the first tower, Stourton, Wilts. Unbeknown to the Guild, the Rev. P. F. Tambling, formerly of Warminster, was being inducted to the living of Zeals and Stourton that afternoon. There was a cordial invitation not only to partake in the ringing for the service with the locals, but also to stay for tea. The latter invitation had to be declined, but the kind thought was much appreciated.

How's yon crowd of lads going to ring the bells up? queried the captain of Queen Camel, as we arrived. This was accomplished in 'drips and drabs.' We then caught hold for Grandire and this turned out to be the best touch of the day. Two courses of Bob Minor followed the Doubles with Mr. Price turning in the tenor.

Tea was at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Biggin, of Queen Camel, the dining room table almost snapping under the load of good things. The heavy six at Douling (24 cwt.) followed. Ales, many of the party were exhausted by previous labours, but rounds and Grandire were managed. The day concluded at Quarry Reach. N. R. W.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION****Western Division**

Some 60 ringers and friends attended the annual meeting of the Western Division at Chichester on February 8th. Ringing commenced at 3 p.m. on the bells of the Cathedral, followed by the business meeting, which was held in the spacious ringing chamber. The Master, Mr. R. V. Johnson, took the chair. Eighteen ringing members and 12 non-resident members were elected.

At the election of officers Mr. R. P. Wood again intimated that he would like someone else to be elected as Ringing Master as it was becoming increasingly difficult for him to put in the time which he felt he ought. The members reluctantly acceded to his request and he was warmly thanked for the many years of hard work as Ringing Master and for the instruction he had given to many of those present. Miss Keys, the retiring secretary, was also sincerely thanked for her work during her six years in office.

The following officers were elected:—Ringing Master, Mr. W. L. Weller; secretary, Mr. R. Wake; auditor, Mr. W. G. Challen; committee members, Mr. R. P. Wood and Mr. P. Stevens.

Mr. B. Mathews reminded the members that the 1965 annual meeting of the Association was due to be held in the Western Division. It would be the 80th anniversary of the founding of the Association and he asked if a dinner was possible. A committee was formed to go into the matter and perhaps put forward a proposal to the annual general meeting of the Association in May.

Members and friends attended Evensong in the Cathedral and this was followed by an excellent tea in the Marsham Restaurant at which the Dean (the Very Rev. Walter Hussey) joined the company.

Ringing continued until 8.30 and ranged from rounds to London Surprise Major. R. W.

**BARNSELY DISTRICT SOCIETY**

The Society visited Ecclesfield, near Sheffield, on February 8th, when 12 towers were represented. It was agreed to hold a committee meeting at St. Mary's, Barnsley, on March 7th and the next meeting at Eastwood, near Rotherham, on March 14th. The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. G. Pilkington, of Rawmarsh. Mr. L. Smith replied on behalf of the local company.

**E. V. RODENHURST'S 700 PEALS**

With a peal of Minor at Hinstock, Salop, Mr. E. V. Rodenhurst of Whitchurch, Salop, has in 50 years rung 700 peals. These were in 166 towers, in 21 counties, for 18 Associations. Details are appended:—

Doubles in one to six methods 20 (conducted 11).

Minor in one to 14 methods 115 (4).

Triples 36 ((23).

Major 297 (5), including 11 methods rung for the first time and four long lengths of Treble Bob.

Caters 60 (5).

Royal 42.

Cinques 22.

Maximus 6.

Handbells.—Doubles 1, Triples 1.

Total: 700 (48).

**BURSLEM DELIGHT**

The sentence at the end of the fourth paragraph (page 126) should read: 'This does in fact conform to the Decision on the Construction of Extensions.' However, I must point out that it does not conform to the Decision on Pivot Bell Sequences of Extensions.

Answer to homework: Above the treble all the methods are the same as Cambridge Surprise, with Cambridge order of lead-ends. Below the treble the Maximus contracts to the Royal, and the Royal to the Major, by the removal of a sub-section which contains no places—cf. Lyme and Whitwick Surprise. But the Major contracts to the Minor by the complete removal of such sub-sections—cf. Yorkshire Major to Cambridge Minor. Therefore the Minor does not extend to the Major, but the Major extends to the Royal and Maximus.

F. T. B.



## QUARTER PEALS

**BRINKLOW, WARWICKS.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. M. Edgson 1, Linda M. Nicholls 2, Joan M. Chellay 3, Carol Urry 4, C. Underwood 5, A. G. Eveleigh (cond.) 6. For the Rugby Deanery moral welfare service.

**BRISTOL.**—At the Cathedral, on Feb. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Leigh 1, P. E. Parry 2, A. Tubb 3, M. J. Harris 4, R. S. Alkate 5, P. J. Bird (cond.) 6. Rung for the opening of the new school hall by the Bishop of Bristol.

**BOLNEY, SUSSEX.**—On Feb. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. Gasson 1, S. W. Brown 2, H. W. Brown 3, R. V. Johnson 4, G. A. Packham 5, B. Nulty (first of Triples 'inside') 6, F. F. Godsmark (cond.) 7, G. T. Gasson 8. Rung half-muffled in respected memory of James Hyde, former member of the local band, who died on Jan. 28th.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—At the Church of St. Andrew the Great, on Feb. 9th, 1,280 Rutland Surprise Major: Claire Dillamore 1, R. M. Damerell 2, C. H. Rogers (cond.) 3, P. J. Bryan 4, J. A. Harrison (first in the method) 5, K. J. Triplow 6, J. M. H. Hunter 7, A. S. Hudson 8.

**CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.**—On Jan. 18th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: J. H. Griffin 1, Valerie J. Howard 2, Diana J. Butcher 3, C. Jane Smart 4, D. Slater 5, M. P. Howard 6, F. H. Hicks 7, J. A. Howard (cond.) 8. First of T.B. Major 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.

**EXETER, DEVON.**—At St. David's Church, on Feb. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Ann Fellows 1, Diane Lissenden 2, C. Reeves 3, Jean Barnett 4, M. Lock 5, J. A. D. Woolford (cond.) 6. For the wedding of Peter Tavey and Pat Woodland.

**FELMERSHAM, BEDS.**—On Feb. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss M. Field 1, Miss K. A. Rivett 2, Miss M. F. Pettitt 3, C. M. Payne 4, M. J. Marrott (cond.) 5, J. B. Long 6, F. W. Rivett 7, J. Ames 8. 19th birthday compliment to Jeremy Ames.

**HAYNES, BEDS.**—On Jan. 25th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): C. Goodwin 1, G. Pickwell 2, R. J. Sharp (cond.) 3, T. R. Harris 4, P. Ashby 5.

**HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. J. Trier (first quarter) 1, A. M. Humphrey 2, S. W. Brown 3, J. R. Norris 4, H. W. Brown (cond.) 5, R. H. Tribe 6. A welcome into the Church for Andrew Victor, son of the ringer of 5, christened this day.

**HUSBORNE CRAWLEY, BEDS.**—On Dec. 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: D. W. Manion 1, D. R. Manion 2, Barbara Butterworth 3, Elizabeth Cotchin 4, R. Churchill (cond.) 5. A birthday compliment to Linda Templeman. Also on Feb. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: R. Churchill (cond.) 1, Lynne Healey 2, Barbara Butterworth 3, Elizabeth Cotchin 4, I. N. Pett 5, D. W. Manion 6. A birthday compliment to Lynne Healey.

**MORTIMER COMMON, BERKS.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Rumsey (first quarter) 1, Mrs. V. Taylor 2, D. Neville 3, A. Ham 4, I. Taylor (cond.) 5, A. Brackley 6. For the wedding of Mr. D. Elliott and Miss Heather Rampton.

**NORTHLEIGH, OXON.**—On Jan. 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: T. Patching 1, G. Orme 2, J. List 3, G. Holden 4, D. Kay Adkins 5, P. Holden (cond.) 6. First in method 1, 2 and 4. Rung as a farewell to Graham Orme.

**OGBOURNE, WILTS.**—At St. Andrew's Church on Feb. 1st, 600 Grandsire, 660 Plain Bob Doubles: J. H. Stenning 1, A. W. Johnson (cond.) 2, R. N. Garratt 3, R. H. Green 4, R. A. Inglis 5. First in two methods 1, 3, 4 and 5. By Marlborough College Campanological Society.

**ORSETT, ESSEX.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): S. D. Holdaway 1, Mrs. D. G. Mayell 2, Miss J. E. M. Hills 3, T. G. Hull 4, D. G. Mayell (cond.) 5, F. W. Blatch 6. First in five methods 1 and 4.

**OXFORD.**—At the Church of St. Thomas the Martyr, on Feb. 9th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: P. H. P. Harris 1, Margaret A. Muir 2, Christine C. Macnair 3, G. R. Mordaunt 4, J. W. Thorn 5, B. Wakefield (cond.) 6.

**ROSS-ON-WYE, HEREFORDS.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury, Pleasure, Plain Bob and Grandsire): G. Beavan (first quarter) 1, L. Smith 2, R. Chew 3, K. Tyler 4, J. J. Webb (cond.) 5, W. T. Beavan 6. For morning service.

**ST. KEA, CORNWALL.**—On Jan. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Duck 1, A. Davidson 2, A. Locke 3, G. Dunstan 4, C. Jose (cond.) 5, D. Michell 6. Rung in memoriam Lt.-Col. Carey-Morgan.

**STANGROUND, HUNTS.**—On Jan. 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Wendy Hollowell 1, H. Goakes 2, F. T. Boyall 3, G. F. Cowlin 4, B. Harris 5, R. H. Daw (cond.) 6. A wedding compliment to Mr. Peter Hollowell and Miss Susan Larrington.

**SWAFFHAM, NORFOLK.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Major: F. Sutton 1, J. S. Barnes 2, J. Paul 3, Miss D. M. Reeve 4, R. C. Button (first of Major) 5, E. G. H. Maynard 6, W. J. Bailey (first of Major) 7, H. B. Fuller (cond.) 8. A farewell to the Rev. H. R. Elliott (Curate) and a birthday compliment to John Sutton.

**TONBRIDGE, KENT.**—On Feb. 16th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: Sandra Greenhalgh (first quarter) 1, Sheila M. Dobbie 2, Ann Jenner 3, Hilary A. Swallow 4, W. Rogers 5, J. Carpenter 6, L. T. Pope (cond.) 7, S. Jenner 8. For Evensong.

**TOTTERNHOE, BEDS.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,296 Minor (720 Cambridge and 576 Norwich): Christine Smith 1, June Sinfield 2, R. J. Scott 3, J. L. Claughton 4, A. G. Stripp 5, J. Sinfield (cond.) 6. First in method for 2, 4 and 5. For Evensong.

**WARNHAM, SUSSEX.**—On Jan. 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss D. Brookshaw (first quarter) 1, P. Miles (first 'inside') 2, D. Smith 3, M. Turner (first as cond.) 4, G. Francis 5, R. Exler 6. Also on Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles and Old and Norfolk variations: Miss A. Pesina (first quarter) 1, P. Miles 2, Miss D. Mullins 3, D. Smith (cond.) 4, G. Francis 5, T. Latham.

**WENTWORTH, YORKS.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,320 Doubles (nine methods): Elizabeth Cherry 1, A. King (cond.) 2, D. E. Archer 3, M. A. Beaumont 4, M. King 5, Margaret Bunting (first quarter) 6. For Evensong.

**WHITTLEBURY, NORTHANTS.**—On Feb. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss D. Webb (first quarter) 1, J. Linford 2, G. Kingston 3, C. E. Truman (cond.) 4, J. Linnell 5.

**WINCHESTER, HANTS.**—At the College of St. Mary, on Feb. 2nd, 1,272 Kent Treble Bob Minor: D. Humphrey 1, R. Dyckhoff 2, R. H. Youdale 3, M. D. Roaf 4, C. W. Daws (first as cond.) 5, J. E. Spice 6. First of Kent 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. For Evensong.

**WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH, DEVON.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): N. Shepherd (first quarter) 1, J. Cockerton 2, F. Mack (cond.) 3, Jane Hurrell 4, H. Crisp 5, F. Williams 6, F. Bastin 7, A. Knight 8. For Evensong.

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Miss Janet E. Maybin, aged 13, who stood in a peal of Doubles in three methods at Ballylesson, Co. Down, on February 15th, is the youngest to ring a peal in Northern Ireland. There were two other first-pealers participating. Mr. J. T. Dunwoodv, who conducted, makes a weekly journey from Hollywood to teach this band, which has about six or seven young ringers not far off peal standard.

St. Mary's, Horncastle, Lincs, has six members of the Bennett family. Horace is tower captain.

The peal rung at Ruskington, Lincs, to honour Mr. George Scott's 86th birthday was also 'a get-well-quick' peal. George, at the time, was in hospital and the best wishes of many friends are extended to him.

Overheard from a 'car-less' ringer in a mid-Lincolnshire belfry: 'You know you would soon learn to hunt the treble if you took me to a few meetings on Saturdays.' There are no prizes for guessing the identity of this itinerant ringer.

Owing to health reasons Mr. Frederick E. Wilshaw, of Hartshill, Stoke-on-Trent, is retiring from ringing. For 20 years he has attended twice on Sundays (holidays and illnesses excepted), but latterly there has been no ringing through too many absentees. He retains many happy memories of ringing, meeting most entertaining and pleasurable company and visiting many places.

Congratulations to Mr. Herbert Rooke, the well-known Midlands tower captain, who recently got off course and neatly back again without any serious trouble. Driving his van along an 'A' trunk route recently he came across an island he hadn't seen before, and having missed the 'treble' or something, continued on. A lorry driver coming towards him shook his fist at him which suddenly made him realise he was on the wrong course; then a police inspector stopped him, put him right, then inquired about his eyesight! Luckily for him the inspector was not on duty. Herbert tells this story against himself.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

In the peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus on February 8th, rung by the Cambridge University Guild, only one non-resident member, Mr. M. L. J. Jordan, took part. Six members of the band, the ringers of 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8, have now completed Cambridge from Minor to Maximus.

Men beware! The Ladies' Guild have a meeting at Goldington, Beds, on February 29th.

Correction.—The peal at Frome on February 1st was Stedman Triples as indicated in the footnote, and not Grandsire. (See page 130.)

It is hoped soon to form a Ringers' Guild at the University of Sussex. Catherine Powell, Mike Bew, Peter Corrigan and Peter Came are teaching learners with the kind help of the St. Peter's, Brighton, band.

The February issue of 'Belfry News' contains the second of three articles on 'Cracking Towers.' With diagrams, Mr. Gordon Halls deals with the problem of cracking towers in an understandable manner. It should be a circulation raiser.

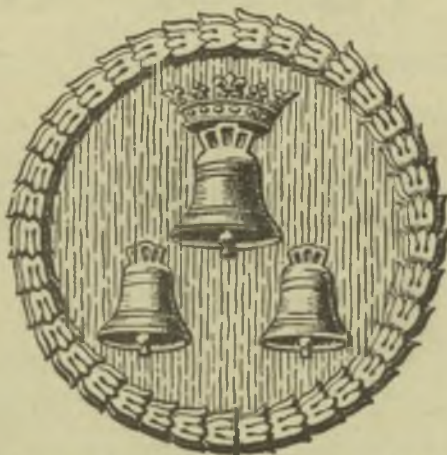
The Witney-Woodstock Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild held their first dinner on February 7th at the Masonic Hall, Witney. Approximately 70 people attended. Handbells were rung by Susan and Alan Cartwell and David Floyd. Dancing and games were enjoyed by all. The Rev. P. Wilkins was in the chair.

Julie Clench and Carol York are the first lady members of Usk tower to ring a peal 'inside.' They accomplished this at the first attempt on February 8th, and had the additional distinction of ringing Holt's Original for their first peal. They are to be congratulated on the manner in which they rang throughout the peal.

Among the contributors to Mr. Douglas Hughes' fund to send a team of ten English ringers to the dedication of the tower of Washington Cathedral are the girls of Benenden School, Kent. There is a keen ringing society at this school; handbells are rung for services in the chapel and the girls also ring at the Parish Church.

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## TWELVE BELL PEALS

CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 47 Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF SS. MARY-THE-VIRGIN, PETER AND CEDD,  
A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 34 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in C sharp.

J. R. HOUGH (Jesus) .. Treble	*I. M. SMITH (Peterhouse) 7
H. E. BISHOP (Selwyn) .. 2	†C. H. ROGERS (Emmanuel) 8
J. M. H. HUNTER (Trinity) 3	†M. L. J. JORDAN (Trin. Hall) 9
V. NUTTON (Selwyn) .. 4	W. J. RIDGMAN (Queens') 10
K. J. DARVILL (St. Cath.'s) 5	C. M. P. JOHNSON (Selwyn) 11
A. S. HUDSON (Clare) .. 6	*S. C. WALTERS (Pembroke) Tenor

Conducted by ANDREW S. HUDSON.

\*First peal of Maximus. †First of Surprise Maximus.

LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Feb. 10, 1964, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 25 cwt. 20 lb.

B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. Treble	*ROLAND H. COOK .. 7
BRIAN S. CHAPMAN .. 2	SHIRLEY BURTON .. 8
JOHN M. JELLEY .. 3	RUSSELL S. MORRIS .. 9
REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE 4	ALAN E. HARTLEY .. 10
†J. BARRY PICKUP .. 5	WILLIAM J. ROOT .. 11
JACK P. KESTERTON .. 6	‡JOHN HUNTING .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER P. WHITEHEAD. Composed by JOHN M. JELLEY.

\*First peal on 12 bells. †First of Cinques, and 100th peal. ‡First peal.

Rung as a compliment to John and Doreen Hunting on the birth of a daughter (Sally Ann) on January 17th, 1964.

BUCKFAST, DEVON.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 44 Minutes.

AT THE BENEDICTINE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF 5016 PLAIN BOB MAXIMUS

Tenor 41 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lb. in C.

NORMAN MALLETT .. Treble	FREDERICK WREFORD .. 7
ARTHUR H. REED .. 2	*D. ROY BOULD .. 8
ANN E. FELLOWS .. 3	ROBERT J. SOUTHWOOD .. 9
JEAN F. BARNETT .. 4	COLIN REEVES .. 10
HERBERT C. SPENCER .. 5	JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD .. 11
*MARGARET A. BOULD .. 6	*FRANK D. MACK .. Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD.

\*First peal on 12 bells. †100th peal. First of Maximus for all except ringer of third. First in method on the bells, and for the Guild.

CHELTENHAM, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

A PEAL OF 5011 STEDMAN CINQUES

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

MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY .. Treble	JOHN HARTLESS .. 7
ANN M. COX .. 2	LEWIS F. COBB .. 8
MICHAEL J. BEST .. 3	GWILYM SALMON .. 9
PHILIP N. TUBBS .. 4	EDWARD J. CHIVERS .. 10
LYRIL A. WRATTEN .. 5	RONALD N. MARLOW .. 11
FRANK L. HARRIS .. 6	LAURENCE E. HITCHINS .. Tenor

Composed by S. BURTON (No. 13). Conducted by FRANK L. HARRIS.

## TEN BELL PEALS

WORSLEY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK.

A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE ROYAL

In eight methods, comprising 720 each of Cambridge and Yorkshire, and 600 each of Albanian, Lincolnshire, Lindsey, London (No. 3), Pudsey and Rutland; with 92 changes of method.

Tenor 24 cwt. 7 lb. in D.

DEREK A. ASHTON .. Treble	NORMAN SMITH .. 6
JOHN C. BALDWIN .. 2	†JOHN ROBINSON .. 7
TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. 3	FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. 8
F. JOHN NELSON .. 4	JOHN H. FIELDEN .. 9
NEIL BENNETT .. 5	DENIS MOTTERSHEAD .. Tenor

Composed by DEREK OGDEN. Conducted by NEIL BENNETT.

\*First peal of Spliced Surprise Royal. †First of Royal in eight methods. First of Spliced Surprise Royal as conductor.

CANTERBURY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL AND METROPOLITICAL CHURCH OF CHRIST,

A PEAL OF 5000 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 32 cwt. 6 lb. in C.

*ROSEMARY RICH .. Treble	†CRAWFORD T. HILLIS .. 6
MARY S. TAYLOR .. 2	GEORGE E. RUCK .. 7
PAULINE FENNELL .. 3	†NICHOLAS J. DAVIES .. 8
*DESMOND G. MITCHELL .. 4	JOHN C. EISEL .. 9
*J. M. ELAINE DIXON .. 5	DENNIS A. CHAPMAN .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE W. DEBENHAM (AX9).

Conducted by DENNIS A. CHAPMAN.

\*First peal on ten bells. †50th peal together.

Rung in honour of the twelfth anniversary of the Queen's accession.

BROMSGROVE, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 18 cwt. in E.

GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. Treble	RAYMOND SMITH .. 6
*MICHAEL G. SELBY .. 2	*GEOFFREY WESTWOOD .. 7
†IAN LLOYD .. 3	*MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. 8
WALTER H. RAXTER .. 4	*MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. 9
†ARTHUR C. BERRY .. 5	GERALD C. HEMMING .. Tenor

Composed by MORRIS J. MORRIS. Conducted by GERALD C. HEMMING.

\*First peal of Royal in the method. †First on ten bells. First on ten as conductor.

LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5184 PLAIN BOB CATERS

Tenor 42 cwt. 1 qr. 27 lb. in C.

*ANTHONY O. SHEARD .. Treble	†HAROLD DENMAN .. 6
†GAEL BROWN .. 2	JOHN WEAVER .. 7
*PETER FENNEY .. 3	†ALLAN WEAR .. 8
*JEFFREY P. COOPER .. 4	C. BARRIE DOVE .. 9
†WILLIAM DIXON .. 5	RONALD H. DOVE .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN WEAVER. Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

\*First peal on ten bells. †First in the method.

MAIDSTONE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 32 cwt. 20 lb. in C sharp.

DORIS E. COLGATE .. Treble	ARTHUR S. RICHARDS .. 6
*ANDREW J. CORBY .. 2	IAN H. ORAM .. 7
*JOHN S. BARNES .. 3	*STANLEY JENNER .. 8
*ANN JENNER .. 4	THOMAS CULLINGWORTH .. 9
RALPH BIRD .. 5	PHILIP A. CORBY .. Tenor

Conducted by STANLEY JENNER.

\*First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Royal. First of Royal as conductor.

PORTSMOUTH, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS OF CANTERBURY,

A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 25½ cwt. in E flat.

ALEXANDER PAGE .. Treble	E. WINIFRED KEYS .. 6
RONALD F. DISERENS .. 2	ROGER BALDWIN .. 7
*PATRICIA DISERENS .. 3	*TOM PAGE .. 8
WILLIAM T. BEESON .. 4	DAVID J. FORDER .. 9
S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN 5	TOM CHAPMAN .. Tenor

Composed by F. E. DARBY. Conducted by ROGER BALDWIN.

\*First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Royal.

A welcome to Christopher, son of Alec and Marion Page.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

HYDE, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE.

A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 11 lb. in E.

*F. JOHN NELSON .. Treble	DEREK A. ASHTON .. 5
NEIL BENNETT .. 2	†DENIS MOTTERSHEAD .. 6
IVOR JENKINS .. 3	JOHN ROBINSON .. 7
SIDNEY HOUGH, JUN. .. 4	FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN. Conducted by NEIL BENNETT.

\*150th peal. †300th peal.



**EAST TYTHERLEY, HAMPSHIRE.**  
**THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,*  
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.**

**A PEAL OF 5056 WALKERVILLE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb. in F.

MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. .. Treble	R. ROGER SAVORY .. .. 5
JOHN R. FAITHFULL .. .. 2	THOMAS H. FRANCIS .. .. 6
CAROLYN VIBERT .. .. 3	MAURICE J. BUTLER .. .. 7
DAVID J. FORDER .. .. 4	DAVID E. HOUSE .. .. Tenor

Composed by R. F. B. SPEED. Conducted by DAVID E. HOUSE.  
 First peal in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Guild.

**WHITWICK, LEICESTERSHIRE.**

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Thurs., Jan. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

M. J. Morris' variation of Parker's Twelve-Part (2nd observation).

Tenor 12 cwt.

*JAMES A. LORD .. .. Treble	WILFRED LORD .. .. 5
ROLAND BENISTON .. .. 2	ARTHUR E. ROWLEY .. .. 6
RICHARD CLIFTON .. .. 3	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. 7
WILLIAM CURSON .. .. 4	HERBERT SHAW .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ROLAND BENISTON.

\* 25th peal.

**BUSHEY, HERTFORDSHIRE.**

**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thurs., Feb. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES-THE-APOSTLE.**

**A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In eight methods, comprising 1,440 each of London and Rutland, 800 of Bristol, 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Superlative and Yorkshire, and 160 of Pudsey; with 129 changes of method.

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

H. GEORGE HART .. .. Treble	S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN .. 5
ELSIE K. HART .. .. 2	ROGER BALDWIN .. .. 6
*VERNON GREEN .. .. 3	†KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. 7
MARTYN L. J. JORDAN .. 4	CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ROGER BALDWIN.

\* First peal of 8-Spliced Surprise Major. † First of Spliced.

**CHIPPING BARNET, HERTFORDSHIRE.**

**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.**

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb. in D.

S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN .. Treble	ROBIN A. HODGSON .. .. 5
*JULIA FELLOWS .. .. 2	ROGER BALDWIN .. .. 6
KEITH JORDAN .. .. 3	CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY .. 7
†ROBERT N. HARRIS .. .. 4	KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ROGER BALDWIN.

\* First peal of Surprise. † First in the method.

**EDINBURGH.**

**THE SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT.**

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 21 cwt. in E flat.

MRS. L. BOUMPHREY .. Treble	ROGNVALD ST. C. WILSON .. 5
*MARTYN J. MARRIOTT .. 2	ERNEST BOUMPHREY .. .. 6
MAGNUS M. PETERSON .. 3	PETER T. DALE .. .. 7
*MARGARET A. B. WILSON .. 4	LESLIE BOUMPHREY .. .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by LESLIE BOUMPHREY.

\* First peal.

**GREAT BUDWORTH, CHESHIRE.**

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.**

**A PEAL OF 5056 WEMBLEY SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 20 cwt. 70 lb.

SIDNEY HOUGH, JUN. .. Treble	*ALAN SHARPLES .. .. 5
TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. .. 2	JOHN ROBINSON .. .. 6
NEIL BENNETT .. .. 3	DENIS MOTTESHEAD .. .. 7
*DEREK A. ASHTON .. .. 4	FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by DEREK A. ASHTON.

\* First peal in the method.

**GREAT TEW, OXFORDSHIRE.**

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.**

**A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 22 cwt. 10 lb. in D.

FREDERICK VICKERS .. Treble	JAMES LINNELL .. .. 5
WILLIAM J. CHESTER .. .. 2	*CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. 6
CHARLES E. TRUMAN .. .. 3	WILLIAM A. YATES .. .. 7
*BARRY E. SAUNDERS .. .. 4	GEORGE W. HOLLAND .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER. Conducted by GEORGE W. HOLLAND.

\* First peal of Bristol Surprise. First of Bristol as conductor.

**HARWELL, BERKSHIRE.**

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Parker's Twelve-Part.

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in E.

PATRICIA E. HIBBERT .. Treble	JOHN H. NAPPER .. .. 5
REGINALD W. REX .. .. 2	MICHAEL J. BISHOP .. .. 6
CLIFFORD J. GARLICK .. .. 3	GEOFFREY K. DODD .. .. 7
ARTHUR W. SAYERS .. .. 4	WILLIAM CORDEROY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.

First peal of Grandsire Triples as conductor.

**SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.**

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS.**

**A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in F.

B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. Treble	*DAVID W. STENSON .. .. 5
*ALAN R. MILDRED .. .. 2	BRIAN G. WARWICK .. .. 6
JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. 3	A. JAMES POYNOR .. .. 7
†CAROL I. V. CORTON .. 4	†KEITH H. MILDRED .. .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES W. PARKER. Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. † First of Kent. The treble ringer has 'circled the tower.'

A farewell to the Rev. E. G. Symonds (curate), inducted Vicar of All Souls', Leicester, on February 14th.

**THROWLEY, KENT.**

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.**

**A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In five methods, comprising 1,088 of London, 1,024 of Cambridge and 992 each of Bristol, Pudsey and Superlative; with 101 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell. Tenor 12 cwt.

PHILIP A. CORBY .. Treble	*CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 5
*CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. 2	*MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 6
*ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 7
*DAVID S. OSENTON .. .. 4	TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN. Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.

\* First peal of Spliced in five methods. First of 5-Spliced as conductor.

**USK, MONMOUTHSHIRE.**

**THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Holt's Original.

Tenor 14½ cwt. in F sharp.

DONALD G. CLIFT .. Treble	LIONEL JONES .. .. 5
*JULIE M. CLENCH .. .. 2	SPENCER G. A. KEAR .. .. 6
GEORGE KNIGHT .. .. 3	DAVID J. HUGHES .. .. 7
*CAROL S. YORK .. .. 4	REUBEN S. CLENCH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DONALD G. CLIFT.

\* First peal attempt.

**WEEDON BEC, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.**

**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.**

**A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 2 lb. in F.

GEORGE F. ROOME .. Treble	P. DAVID TAYLOR .. .. 5
*ROGER W. SMITH .. .. 2	ALAN C. COZENS .. .. 6
GRAHAM C. PAUL .. .. 3	STANLEY M. RUDDLESSEN .. 7
*RONALD RUSSELL .. .. 4	ALAN A. PAUL .. .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE LEWIS. Conducted by GRAHAM C. PAUL.

\* 25th peal together. First on eight bells as conductor.

**HARROW WEALD, MIDDLESEX.**

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Tues., Feb. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Heywood's transposition of Thurstans' Four-Part.

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb. in A.

ELSIE K. HART .. Treble	*CLIVE W. SIMPSON .. .. 5
ROBIN A. HODGSON .. .. 2	HENRY D. BUTLER .. .. 6
LORNA E. SIMPSON .. .. 3	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 7
E. KEITH JORDAN .. .. 4	H. GEORGE HART .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of Stedman.

Rung as a farewell to Henry D. Butler, member of the local band for 29 years, who is leaving the district.

**BARROW-IN-FURNESS, LANCASHIRE.**

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.**

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part.

Tenor 15½ cwt.

JAMES E. DICKINSON .. Treble	JAMES E. BURLS .. .. 5
*NICHOLAS M. NEWBY, JUN. 2	A. HEDLEY WOOD .. .. 6
ALAN CAPSTICK .. .. 3	WILLIAM WALL .. .. 7
JOHN BAGNALL .. .. 4	THOMAS F. MEKALFE .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES E. BURLS.

\* First peal of Grandsire.



**BURTON LATIMER, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.  
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**
*On Sat., Feb. 15, 1963, in 3 Hours.*
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,**
**A PEAL OF 5056 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 10½ cwt. in F.

SHEILA J. STALEY .. .. Treble	JOHN E. SKERRITT .. .. 5
ARTHUR GIBBS .. .. 2	*MICHAEL J. STALEY .. .. 6
MURRAY A. COLEMAN .. .. 3	GEOFFREY E. WATSON .. .. 7
*ANTHONY D. SANSOM .. .. 4	BRIAN S. COPE .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATHERSLEY. Conducted by GEOFFREY E. WATSON.

\* First peal in the method.

In memoriam John J. Mawby, formerly of Irthlingborough.

**ESCRICK, YORKSHIRE.**
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**
*On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.*
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN.**
**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 15½ cwt.

KENNETH B. SISSONS .. .. Treble	MELVYN A. ROSE .. .. 5
MRS. J. RENDER .. .. 2	JOHN UNDERWOOD .. .. 6
J. MARTIN THORLEY .. .. 3	G. FREDERICK TERRY .. .. 7
JOHN POITS .. .. 4	ALAN SHEPPARD .. .. Tenor

Composed by NOLAN GOLDEN. Conducted by ALAN SHEPPARD.

A birthday compliment to Mr. James Thorley; also congratulations to the conductor on having completed the examinations of the Chartered Institute of Secretaries.

**FRINDSBURY, KENT.**
**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**
*On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.*
**AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.**
**A PEAL OF 5088 WATFORD SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

FRANCIS J. CHEAL .. .. Treble	*DAVID S. OSENTON .. .. 5
*THOMAS E. SONE .. .. 2	*CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. .. 6
TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. 3	† MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 7
CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. 4	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.

\* First peal in the method. † First in the method 'inside.'

To celebrate the birth of a son, Philip Alexander, to Pat and Trevor Cross.

**HAILSHAM, SUSSEX.**
**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**
*On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.*
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.**
**A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 5 lb. in G.

BUTTY PERCY .. .. Treble	*IAN V. J. SMITH .. .. 5
*CHRISTINE M. FULLER .. .. 2	ALAN R. BALDOCK .. .. 6
*JANET M. PERCY .. .. 3	*THOS. M. BARLOW .. .. 7
LEONARD STILWELL .. .. 4	A. PATRICK CANNON .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

\* First peal of Double Norwich.

A 16th birthday compliment to Miss Janet Percy.

**KIRTLINGTON, OXFORDSHIRE.**
**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**
*On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.*
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.**
**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in E.

J. ROBIN J. DYKE .. .. Treble	CHARLES COLES .. .. 5
BARBARA M. BUTLER .. .. 2	PETER D. BEEDIE .. .. 6
FREDERICK W. SODEN .. .. 3	BRIAN W. HALL .. .. 7
SUSAN J. HOWES .. .. 4	EDWARD R. VENN .. .. Tenor

Composed by G. H. CROSS. Conducted by EDWARD R. VENN.

**KNEBWORTH, HERTFORDSHIRE.**
**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**
*On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.*
**AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY-THE-VIRGIN AND THOMAS-A-BECKET.**
**A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. Treble	CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 5
*SUSAN E. SMITH .. .. 2	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 6
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 3	COLIN A. S. HARWOOD .. 7
JACK S. DEAR .. .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX. Conducted by G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY.

\* First peal of Surprise.

**SIX BELL PEALS**
**ELSTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.**
**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**
*On Sat., Jan. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.*
**AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.**
**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being five extents Plain Bob, 35 Grandsire and 240 (Morris') Grandsire.

Tenor 9 cwt. 24 lb.

HILARY RENVARD .. .. Treble	MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 4
RUTH BLACKSHAW .. .. 2	JOHN R. PRATCHETT .. .. 5
MARGARET E. CHILTON .. 3	F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. PRATCHETT.

**KIRKTHORPE, YORKSHIRE.**
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**
*On Fri., Jan. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.*
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.**
**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In 12 methods, being: (1) Stedman, (2 to 5) Reverse St. Bartholomew, (6 to 9) St. Nicholas', (10 to 13) Winchendon Place, (14 to 17) St. Martin's, (18 to 21) St. Simon's, (22 to 25) Reverse Canterbury, (26 to 29) Kennington, (30 to 33) Southrepps, (34 to 37) Grandsire, (38 to 41) April Day, (42) Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb. in A flat.

ANTHONY SHEARD .. .. Treble	PETER FENNEY .. .. 4
DINAH M. BLOW .. .. 2	JOHN WEAVER .. .. 5
*C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. 3	GEOFFREY D. ARMITAGE .. Tenor

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

\* 50th peal. First in 12 methods of Doubles by all the band.

**LLANELLY, CARMARTHENSHIRE.**
**THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.**
*On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.*
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ELLI.**
**A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 10 lb. in A flat.

*J. ARTHUR HOARE .. .. Treble	*EDMUND J. MORRIS .. .. 4
*KATHLEEN M. WATKINS .. 2	GWYN I. LEWIS .. .. 5
*RICHARD C. WARBURTON .. 3	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

\* First peal of Oxford T.B. Minor.

**NORTH MUSKHAM, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.**
**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**
*On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.*
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID.**
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents of 720.

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

*F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER .. Treble	FREDERICK G. HOOPER .. 4
*ANNE E. BATESON .. .. 2	CLARENCE F. BRIGGS .. .. 5
HAROLD DENMAN .. .. 3	JOHN R. PRATCHETT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK G. HOOPER.

\* 175th peal, all for the Southwell Diocesan Guild. † First in the method.

**RUSKINGTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.**
**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**
*On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.*
**AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.**
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent of Kent Treble Bob and two each of Single Court, Single Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

RICHARD A. HUNT .. .. Treble	WALTER WESTON .. .. 4
RONALD RUSSELL .. .. 2	CHARLES R. MUXLOW .. .. 5
HARRY BARNES .. .. 3	JAMES H. MUSSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.

A compliment to Mr. George Scott (Fulbeck) on his 86th birthday.

**SHELLEY, HUDDERSFIELD.**
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

(Barnsley and District Society.)

*On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.*
**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EMMANUEL.**
**A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents in 27 methods: (1) Old Oxford, College Bob IV, Willesden, Newdigate and Marple Delight; (2) St. Albans, Neasden, Wragby, Charlwood and Braintree Delight; (3) South Kirby, Barnsley, Felkirk, Havercroft and Norcroft Treble Bob; (4) College Exercise, Duke of Norfolk, Norbury, Ockley and Morning Star Treble Bob; (5) London Scholars', Sandal, Kingston, Capel and Oxford Treble Bob; (6) Duke of York Treble Bob, (7) Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

CHRISTOPHER A. MOXON .. Treble	HERMAN RUSBY .. .. 4
*ELIZABETH PEACE .. .. 2	TREVOR TARBATT .. .. 5
SUSAN PEACE .. .. 3	NOEL F. MOXON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by NOEL F. MOXON.

\* First peal 'inside' in 27 methods.

A 21st birthday compliment to Miss Elizabeth Peace.

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## CHELFORD, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Feb. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In five methods, being 960 each of Rev. Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob, April Day, Rev. St. Bartholomew and 1,200 Grandsire.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

DAVID HARRADINE .. .. Treble	*BRIAN SCHOFIELD .. .. 4
L. GEORGE FORRESTER .. .. 2	*ERNEST PIMLOTT .. .. 5
ROBERT BARRATT .. .. 3	GEORGE BARBER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST PIMLOTT.

\* 25th peal together.

## WENHASTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Thurs., Feb. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.

Tenor 12 cwt. 6 lb.

ADRIAN KNIGHT .. .. Treble	NORMAN P. J. COSSEY .. .. 4
C. JACK GIBSON .. .. 2	JOHN W. BLYTHE .. .. 5
JACK PILGRIM .. .. 3	H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN W. BLYTHE.

A 40th wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Gibson.

## WINFORD, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Feb. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being 720 each of York, Durham, Wells, London, Beverley, Surfleet and Cambridge.

Tenor 16 cwt.

DAVID G. YEO .. .. Treble	MICHAEL J. HORSEMAN .. .. 4
GEOFFREY H. PULLIN .. .. 2	JOHN H. GILBERT .. .. 5
ERIC T. LEE .. .. 3	JOHN BRAIN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN H. GILBERT.

First peal of seven Surprise Minor methods by all.  
Rung by the Chew Deanery Branch for the twelfth anniversary of the Queen's Accession.

## BARROWBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different standard callings of 720. Tenor 11 cwt. (approx.).

THOMAS A. ROLF .. .. Treble	FREDERICK G. HOOPER .. .. 4
ANNE E. BATESON .. .. 2	CLARENCE F. BRIGGS .. .. 5
MARGARET E. CHILTON .. 3	HAROLD STEVENSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK G. HOOPER.

A birthday compliment to the grandson of the fifth ringier.

## HALSALL, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.

On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Cuthbert,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb. in A flat.

HAZEL A. ARROWSMITH .. Treble	JEFFREY J. FOX .. .. 4
ROGER J. SHEA .. .. 2	RICHARD S. STARKIE .. .. 5
MALCOLM A. PHILLIPS .. 3	CHRISTOPHER K. COOPER .. Tenor

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER K. COOPER.

## MESSINGHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Double Oxford, Double Bob, Thelwall, St. Clement's, Childwall, Single Oxford and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb.

WILLIAM BAINS .. .. Treble	MICHAEL WHITING .. .. 4
MAURICE LINGS .. .. 2	JACK BRAY .. .. 5
JOHN HALL .. .. 3	HAROLD JUDD .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN HALL.

## PINHOE, DEVON.

## THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

(Exeter Branch.)

On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven differently-called extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 19 lb.

JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD .. Treble	MARTIN F. LOCK .. .. 4
ANN E. FELLOWS .. .. 2	*COLIN YATES .. .. 5
*DIANE LISSENDON .. .. 3	COLIN REEVES .. .. Tenor

Conducted by COLIN REEVES.

\* First peal on a working bell.

## ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Sun., Feb. 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,

At the Church of St. James,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Four callings. Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in G.

BERNICE STANSFIELD .. .. Treble	ROGER LEIGH .. .. 4
JUDITH P. WINTERBOTTOM .. 2	RICHARD J. PARKER .. .. 5
ANTHONY J. HELLIWELL .. 3	ROBERT J. ARMSTRONG .. Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD J. PARKER.

## NEWTON-NOTTAGE, GLAMORGAN.

## THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Feb. 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 six-scores in ten different extents.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

*REV. DEREK E. FORD .. Treble	TREVOR M. RODERICK .. 4
CHARLES M. DAVIES .. .. 2	MICHAEL LARCHER .. .. 5
DAVID R. EVERETT .. .. 3	†NORCLIFFE WILLIAMS .. Tenor

Conducted by TREVOR M. RODERICK.

\* First peal on a hunting bell. † First peal.

Rung by a local band for Evensong, and for the service at the daughter Church of All Saints, commemorating the 50th anniversary of its consecration.

## GRENDON, WARWICKSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Feb. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In three methods, viz.: Two extents each of Surfleet and Beverley and three of Cambridge.

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb. in G.

MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. Treble	K. PAUL GILLIVER .. .. 4
LAWRENCE WATKINS .. .. 2	JOHN WATKINS .. .. 5
BRIAN L. BURROWS .. .. 3	MICHAEL E. BROWN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

## LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Feb. 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Double Oxford, Single Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Southrepps, Plain Bob.

Tenor 17 cwt. 4 lb. in F.

ANTHONY SHEARD .. .. Treble	HAROLD DENMAN .. .. 4
DINAH M. BLOW .. .. 2	JOHN WEAVER .. .. 5
RONALD H. DOVE .. .. 3	C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

## BALLYLESSON, CO. DOWN.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

At the Church of the Holy Trinity, Drumbo,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In three methods, being two extents Stedman, 20 each of Grandsire and Plain Bob (maximum callings).

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb.

*ROSEMARY THOMPSON .. Treble	†RAYMOND F. BAIN .. .. 4
†JANET E. MAYBIN (13) .. 2	†JONATHAN S. N. PORTER .. 5
JOHN T. DUNWOODY .. .. 3	†PHILIP C. KIMBER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN T. DUNWOODY.

\* First peal in three methods. † First peal attempt. ‡ First of Doubles. A birthday compliment to the ringier of the treble.

## BRAFIELD-ON-THE-GREEN, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Laurence,

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents in 17 methods, viz.: (1) Norfolk and Primrose, (2) Alnwick and Newcastle, (3) Chester and Munden, (4) London, Wells and Cuneacastre, (5) Cambridge and Ipswich, (6) Surfleet, Hexham, Beverley and Berwick; (7) York and Durham; with 62 changes of method.

Tenor 12 cwt. 7 lb. in F.

GEORGE F. ROOME .. .. Treble	*ALAN A. PAUL .. .. 4
*GRAHAM C. PAUL .. .. 2	CHARLES E. TRUMAN .. .. 5
*ROGER W. SMITH .. .. 3	JAMES LINNELL .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES E. TRUMAN.

\* First peal of Spliced Minor. First of 17-Spliced Surprise for all the band.

## DEFYNNOG, BRECKNOCKSHIRE.

## THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Cynog.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb. in F sharp.

*ELIZABETH J. WATKINS (12) Treble	EDMUND J. MORRIS .. .. 4
J. ARTHUR HOARE .. .. 2	RICHARD C. WARBURTON .. 5
†KATHLEEN M. WATKINS .. 3	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

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

## GREAT YELDHAM, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MINOR

Being seven extents in 32 methods: (1) College Bob IV, Willesden, Old Oxford, Newdigate; (2) St. Albans, Wragby, Neasden, Charlwood; (3) College Exercise, Norbury, Duke of Norfolk, Ockley; (4) London Scholars' Pleasure, Kingston, Sandal, Capel; (5) Beverley, Surfleet, Berwick, Hexham, York, Durham; (6) Cambridge, Primrose, Bourne, Hull, Ipswich, Norfolk; (7) Double Oxford, Thelwall, St. Clement's, Childwall.

Tenor 7 cwt.

JOHN WEST .. .. Treble	DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. 4
JOE E. G. ROAST .. .. 2	*JAMES L. TOWLER .. .. 5
PETER J. EVES .. .. 3	PATRICK W. SALTMARSH .. Tenor

Conducted by PATRICK W. SALTMARSH.

\* Most methods to a peal.



## HANDBELL PEALS

SWANSEA, GLAMORGAN.  
THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Sun., Jan. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,  
AT MOR-AWELON, LON DERW, TYCOCH.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 18 in G.

\*HAZEL WAY .. 1-2 | J. ARTHUR HOARE .. 5-6  
BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 3-4 | EDMUND J. MORRIS .. 7-8  
Arranged and Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

\* First peal on handbells. † First of Major on handbells. First of Major on handbells for the Guild.

## LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., Feb. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 5 Minutes,  
AT THE WAYSIDE, 150, NARBOROUGH ROAD SOUTH.

## A PEAL OF 5152 YORK SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

\*JOHN A. ACRES .. 1-2 | ALFRED BALLARD .. 5-6  
JOHN M. JELLEY .. 3-4 | ROBERT B. SMITH .. 7-8  
Composed by ALBERT J. PITMAN. Conducted by ROBERT B. SMITH.

\* 50th peal of Surprise 'in hand.' † 75th of Surprise 'in hand.'  
‡ First of York Surprise Major, completing peals of York from Minor to Maximus 'in hand.'

## HARROW, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Fri., Feb. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours,  
AT 170, HEADSTONE LANE.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being one extent each of Morpeth, Carlisle, Lightfoot, London, Beverley, York and Cambridge. Tenor size 13 in E.

S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN .. 1-2 | JOHN R. MAYNE .. 3-4  
ROGER BALDWIN .. 5-6  
Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

## SWANSEA, GLAMORGAN.

THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., Feb. 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,  
AT MOR-AWELON, LON DERW, TYCOCH.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 18 in G.

HAZEL WAY .. 1-2 | J. ARTHUR HOARE .. 5-6  
BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 3-4 | EDMUND J. MORRIS .. 7-8  
Arranged and Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

## HARROW, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Feb. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes,  
AT 170, HEADSTONE LANE.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's transposition of Thurslans' Four-Part. Tenor size 15 in C.  
\*MARGARET D. WOOLLEY .. 1-2 | \*JOHN R. MAYNE .. 5-6  
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY .. 3-4 | †SARA K. D. WOOLLEY .. 7-8

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples on handbell. † First of Stedman.

## NORTHOWRAM, HALIFAX, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 2 Minutes,  
AT 45, WESTERCROFT LANE.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

JEANNE E. BOTTOMLEY .. 1-2 | WILLIAM BARTON .. 5-6  
FRED HODGSON .. 3-4 | VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. 7-8  
Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM BARTON.

## SWANSEA, GLAMORGAN.

THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., Feb. 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 5 Minutes,  
AT MOR-AWELON, LON DERW, TYCOCH.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents, each called differently. Tenor size 14 in D.  
\*KATHLEEN M. WATKINS .. 1-2 | BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 3-4  
J. ARTHUR HOARE .. 5-6

Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

\* First peal on handbells.

## SWANSEA, GLAMORGAN.

THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., Feb. 16, 1964, in 1 Hour and 51 Minutes,  
AT MOR-AWELON, LON DERW, TYCOCH.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.  
\*HAZEL WAY .. 1-2 | BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 3-4  
J. ARTHUR HOARE .. 5-6

Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

\* First peal of Minor on handbells.

## HALF PEALS

MUCH WENLOCK, SHROPSHIRE.—On Feb. 8th, 2.528 Plain Bob Major: Valerie Edge 1, F. H. Bennett (cond.) 2, H. G. Thomas 3, M. J. Mulvey 4, J. P. Burton 5, P. J. Evans 6, E. V. Rodenhurst 7, R. H. Newton 8. Rung to celebrate the wedding of Mr. Leo Evans, a long standing member of this tower.

OLD BRADWELL, BUCKS.—On Feb. 1st, 2.520 Plain Bob Minor: M. R. Nimmo 1, W. French 2, N. Gray 3, A. Gray 4, B. R. Eglesfield 5, K. P. Wooton (cond.) 6.

## DATE TOUCH

WIMBORNE, DORSET.—At St. Giles', on Feb. 1st, 1.264 Plain Bob Major: J. W. Blackwood 1, Christine Mould (first of Major) 2, R. G. W. Robertson 3, Judith A. Robertson 4, R. Sheppard 5, G. W. Elmes (first of Plain Bob Major) 6, E. G. Mould (first of Major as cond.) 7, H. I. Pitman 8. First date touch for 1, 2, 5 and 6. (Correction to page 117, date 1-2-64.)

ADDINGTON, SURREY.—On Feb. 9th, 1.296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Carol Cousins 1, R. Rayfield (first of Surprise 'inside') 2, E. G. H. Godfrey 3, Margaret C. Godfrey 4, A. M. Macve (cond.) 5, C. H. Macve 6. For Matins.

ALDERSHOT, HANTS.—On Feb. 9th, 1.280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Mary Bragg 1, Betty Stewart 2, D. Elsmore 3, Edna Sigray 4, W. H. Viggers 5, D. Cox 6, K. Williamson 7, T. Page (cond.) 8. First in method 1, 4 and 6.

BACKWELL, SOMERSET.—On Feb. 12th, 1.260 Grandsite Triples: T. G. Phillips 1, J. Brain 2, W. P. Blake 3, W. A. Theobald (cond.) 4, L. Derick 5, C. Kortright 6, W. J. Lott 7, H. Hardwidge 8. A 79th birthday compliment to Mr. W. P. Blake.

BEXLEY, KENT.—On Feb. 9th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: D. Wimhurst (first quarter) 1, K. Medhurst 2, Miss J. R. Cox 3, Miss B. Foster 4, Miss M. R. Andrews (cond.) 5, D. A. Connolly (first quarter) 6. For Evensong.

CHERRY HINTON, CAMBS.—On Feb. 16th, 1.260 Stedman Doubles: J. W. R. Quinney 1, R. M. Damerell 2, K. J. Darvill 3, K. J. Triplow 4, C. H. Rogers (cond.) 5.

CHURCH LAWFORD, WARWICKS.—On Feb. 9th, 1.440 Kent and Oxford T.B. Minor: Margaret Pratt 1, Pamela Wright 2, R. D. Hart 3, D. Lloyd 4, G. Pratt 5, A. R. Wright (cond.) 6. For Matins.

## QUARTER PEALS

COTTINGHAM, E. YORKS.—On Feb. 16th, 1.264 Plain Bob Major: Dinah Blow 1, Jean Woodbridge (first of Major) 2, Catherine Harrison 3, C. Munday (first quarter) 4, C. C. Brown 5, J. I. Booth 6, P. Scrowston 7, R. D. Gibson (cond.) 8.

CRANBROOK, KENT.—On Feb. 9th, 1.260 Doubles (Grandsite and Plain Bob): A. Webb 1, Margaret Grantham 2, A. Leves 3, G. Piper 4, M. Legg (cond.) 5, I. Perry 6. First in two methods by all except conductor. For Evensong and to celebrate the birth of a son to the conductor and the birthday of Alan Webb.

CRANFIELD, BEDS.—On Feb. 16th, 1.260 Reverse Canterbury Bob Doubles: Pauline Hillson (first quarter) 1, R. R. Manton 2, Elizabeth Manton 3, D. W. Manton (cond.) 4, G. Holman 5. First in method for all. Rung to mark the baptism of Rachel Brown (Rector's grandchild) and the 12th birthday of the ringer of 2.

CRAYFORD, KENT.—On Jan. 24th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: R. J. Lee 1, E. A. Barnett 2, C. A. Tester 3, Hilary F. Martin 4, Jean L. Lavender 5, Olive D. Tester 6, S. F. Kimber (cond.) 7, R. W. Hinde 8. A compliment to the Rector, the Rev. P. C. Collins, on becoming an Hon. Canon of Rochester. Rung after an unsuccessful peal attempt.

DOWNHAM, ESSEX.—On Oct. 12th, 1.440 Surprise Minor (York, Durham): P. Slowman 1, M. Hallett 2, M. M. Moore 3, H. Oliver 4, J. Jelley 5, D. Belcham (cond.) 6. Also on Dec. 29th, 1.440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: P. Perkins 1, Mrs. D. Belcham 2, Miss J. Foster 3, P. Wilkinson 4, F. Lufkin (cond.) 5, D. Belcham 6. Also on Jan. 22nd, 1.296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Mrs. D. Belcham 1, P. Perkins 2, Miss J. Foster 3, H. Oliver 4, P. Wilkinson 5, D. Belcham (cond.) 6. Also on Feb. 12th, 1.260 Doubles (four methods): Miss J. Foster 1, Mrs. D. Belcham 2, P. Perkins 3, H. Oliver 4, D. Belcham (cond.) 5.

EPSOM COMMON, SURREY.—1.272 Spliced Oxford and Kent T.B. Minor: Rosemary Blyth 1, Adrienne Gibson 2, Sylvia Marsh 3, R. Fentiman 4, B. Parrott 5, D. Herschell (cond.) 6. First of Spliced by all the band. Rung by the Sunday Service band to mark the occasion of the 21st birthday of the ringer of 2.

ERCHFONT, WILTS.—On Feb. 8th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Patricia Heath (first quarter) 1, G. Heath 2, W. Theobald 3, D. Powney 4, W. Alexander (first quarter) 5, D. Bailey (cond.) 6.

HURSTPIERPONT, SUSSEX.—On Feb. 9th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: S. W. Brown 1, Angela Grainger 2, H. W. Brown 3, Angela M. Wright (first quarter in the method) 4, A. M. Humphrey 5, J. R. Norris 6, W. A. Riddington (cond.) 7, M. C. Wooldridge 8. For Evensong.

KINGS LANGLEY, HERTS.—On Feb. 9th, 1.260 Hereward Bob Minor: D. Bedford 1, R. W. R. Picton 2, B. M. Barker 3, P. W. Harper 4, K. D. Waples 5, R. J. Picton (cond.) 6. First in the method by all the band.

PUTNEY, LONDON.—On Feb. 15th, 1.280 Bristol Surprise Major: C. W. Ottley 1, D. P. Hilling 2, A. R. Millidge 3, P. A. Brand 4, F. R. Scott 5, C. F. Mew 6, A. E. Bagworth 7, J. K. Ward (cond.) 8. First in method 3, 4 and 6. Also on Feb. 16th, 1.260 Stedman Triples: A. R. Millidge 1, L. W. Allen 2, C. F. Mew 3, Gerda Baresel 4, B. J. Bull 5, B. H. Coatsworth 6, D. C. Brookes (first of Stedman as cond.) 7, Christine M. Cobb 8. For Evensong.

ST. PETER'S-IN-TANET, KENT.—On Feb. 2nd, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor (6- and 8 covering): Mrs. R. Stockwell 1, G. Firman 2, M. Eldson 3, Mrs. W. Bridges 4, A. W. Bridges (cond.) 5, Mrs. M. Funnell 6, G. Neilson 7, K. Sanders 8. For Evensong.

UPHAM, HANTS.—On Feb. 8th, 1.440 Stedman Doubles: Mary White 1, K. Sansom 2, K. G. Waller 3, R. A. Stone 4, C. E. Bassett (cond.) 5, K. A. Tipper 6. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. T. White on their 30th wedding anniversary. A birthday compliment to K. G. Waller.

WALPOLE ST. PETER, NORFOLK.—On Feb. 8th, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: W. W. Cousins 1, W. Hammond 2, J. Fox (cond.) 3, H. Follyn 4, R. Newson 5, C. Cousins 6. Rung half-muffled in memorial to S. Harpley.

WANSFORD, NORTHANTS.—On Feb. 15th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: A. Waller 1, W. Culpin (first 'inside' and for his birthday) 2, G. Davis 3, R. Branton 4, F. Sismey (cond.) 5.

WARFORD, HANTS.—On Feb. 15th, 1.260 Doubles (11 methods): Maureen White 1, K. G. Waller 2, Mary White 3, R. A. Stone 4, C. E. Bassett (cond.) 5, T. White 6. A birthday compliment to the conductor.



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HOBBS.—Will all friends please note that the address of Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Hobbs (formerly of High Street, Twerton, Bath) is now 95, Repton Road, Brislington, Bristol 4.

MATTHEWS.—As from March 2nd, 1964. the address of Frank J. Matthews (Secretary of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths) and Marjorie will be 6, Foxwood Road, Bean, near Darford, Kent. 4199

WYLDE.—The address of Barbara and Brian Wylde is now 4, Heathcombe Road, Durlough Estate, Bridgwater. 4196

SIBSON.—From March 1st the address of Derek and Jane Sibson will be 40, Lytton Grove, Putney, London, S.W.15. Telephone Putney 6639. 4189

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BOOK THE DATE—SATURDAY, MAY 16th, 1964.—Ringing festival in the Loughborough District. Details later of the 24 (approx.) towers available. Tea served at Hathern between 4 and 5.45 p.m. Proceeds of the day are for the fund to augment Hathern bells, from 6 to 8.—Miss V. M. Lacey. 24, Wide Lane, Hathern, Leics. 4140

DOWNHAM, ESSEX.—Now ringing again on Sundays at 10.45 a.m. and Wednesdays at 7.30 p.m. Visitors very welcome. Transport from Wickford can be arranged.—D. E. Belcham. 45, Louvaine Avenue, Wickford, Essex. 4171

EPSOM COMMON.—In future ringing for Sunday services will be 8.55-9.25 in the morning, and 6-6.30 p.m. in the evening. All visitors very welcome.—Adrienne Gibson, Sec. 4176

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LICHFIELD CATHEDRAL.—Owing to a special service, there will be no practice at Lichfield Cathedral on Monday next, March 2nd. Visitors normally welcome every Monday, 7.15-9 p.m.—C. M. Smith. 4213

ST STEPHEN'S, ROCHESTER ROW, WESTMINSTER.—Until further notice ringing will be by arrangement only.—M. P. Moreton (Tower Captain), 121, Lillington Street, London, S.W.1. 4174

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### CANCELLED

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Combined practice at Kingswood on March 3rd is cancelled due to structural work on tower.—G. A. West, Hon. Sec. 4209

### MEETINGS

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Meeting at Esher on February 29th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. approx., for those who notify J. F. M. Maybrey, 24, Torrington Road, Claygate, Esher. 4154

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Meeting at Great Chart, Saturday, February 29th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. K. Hobden, Lodge Place Cottage, Great Chart, near Ashford (phone Bethersden 396).—C. T. H. 4105

LADIES' GUILD.—Central District.—Annual meeting, Church of the Immanuel, Streatham Common, February 29th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15, followed by tea and meeting. Further ringing till 8 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. Collins, 17, Hamilton Road, Thornton Heath (LIV 7370). Nearest station, Streatham Common (B.R.) 10 mins.; buses 109 or 133. Green Lines to and from Croydon pass church. Gentlemen cordially invited.—K. Lock, Hon. Sec. 4108

LADIES' GUILD.—Beds and Northants District.—Annual meeting at Goldington (6). Beds. on February 29th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Evensong after tea. All welcome. 4201

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Central District.—Practice meeting, Brandeston (6), February 29th. Bells 6.30-9 p.m.—L. E. Last, Dis. Sec. 4137

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practice meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube station) on Monday, March 2nd, at 7 p.m. 4177

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Business meeting at 'The Rising Sun', Carter Lane, E.C., on Tuesday, March 3rd, at 8.15 p.m. Practices in March, all commencing 6.30 p.m.: 3rd and 31st, St. Paul's Cathedral; 10th, St. Michael's, Cornhill; 17th, St. Lawrence Jewry. There will be no practice on March 24th.—John Chilcott. 4208

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Practice to be held at Old Woking on Wednesday, March 4th. Bells (8) available from 7 p.m.—R. Caporn. 4207

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—South Oxon Branch.—Annual dinner, March 6th, 7.30 p.m. at Chicken in the Basket, Benson. All ringers and friends welcomed. Tickets, 16s. 6d., from A. E. Howes, 23 Dicot Road, Long Wittenham, Abingdon, Berks. 4114

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ilkeston District.—Meeting at West Hallam, Friday, March 6th, 7.30 p.m.—D. Marshall. 4178

APPLETON, BERKSHIRE.—The 146th anniversary will be held on Saturday, March 7th. Bells open 2-5.30 p.m. Dinner in Village Hall 6 p.m. Tickets (11s.) from F. A. White, Bellhanger, Appleton, Abingdon, Berks, before March 3rd. 4134

### ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD.

—Meeting at Kirkheaton Parish Church, Saturday, March 7th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to R. Senior, 8, Dryclogh Road, Crossland Moor, Huddersfield. 4179

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Branch.—Meeting, Saturday, March 7th, at Corfe. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Names for tea, please. Pitminster bells 7 p.m.—A. H. Reed, 'Mimosa', George Street, Taunton. 4135

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ilchester Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Drayton (8), Saturday, March 7th. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please.—R. J. Fox, 109, Middle Street, Yeovil. 4184

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—Meeting, March 7th, Stagsden. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. No tea. Cups of tea provided, bring your own food. Special methods: Single Court and Kelson. 4185

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.—Annual dinner, March 7th. Ringing arrangements: St. Bene't's, 2-3 p.m.; St. Andrew-the-Great, 2.45-3.45; Great St. Mary's, 4-5 p.m.—S. C. Walters, Hon. Sec. 4197

DEVON GUILD.—Aylesbeare Branch.—Meeting, Withcombe Raleigh, Saturday, March 7th. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to F. Mack, 7, Bapton Lane, Exmouth. 'Tower' at Bapton Lane open 2-3 p.m. and 8-9 p.m. 4194

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Meeting at Rowley Regis on March 7th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Names for tea to me by March 3rd, please.—M. D. Fellows, Sec., 14, Western Road, Stourbridge, Worcs. 4156

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Meeting, Swavesey, Saturday, March 7th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service at Over 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting at Over Church School. Special methods: Double Court and London Minor. 4198

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.E. District.—Meeting at Ardleigh, Saturday, March 7th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names to F. H. Erith, Vincas Farm, Ardleigh. 4145

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.E. District.—Meeting, Sandon, Saturday, March 7th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury. 4131

GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Tewkesbury Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Kemerton (6), Saturday, March 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Meeting 5.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. F. S. Devereux, 'Charmaine', Kemerton, near Tewkesbury. 4192

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northn District.—Quarterly meeting at Stevenage, March 7th, 4 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, March 4th, to W. Lawrence, 97, Letchmore Road, Stevenage. 4183

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Watford District.—Meeting at Aldenham on Saturday, March 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. in Mission Hall. Names for tea, please, to Mr. C. Evans, 20, Watling Street, Radlett, Tel. 5879. 4180

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Rochester District) and LADIES' GUILD (Kent Branch).—A meeting will be held at Eastchurch (6) on March 7th—K.C.A. by- and L.G. annual general. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea. Names for tea to Miss J. Hayward, 110, High Street, Eastchurch, Sheppey, Kent, by previous Wednesday, please.—L. Mitchell and S. M. Dobbie, Hon. Dis. Sec. and Hon. Sec. respectively. 4150

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—Meeting at Rishton on March 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea (price 3s.) 5 p.m. Business to follow. Cups of tea only unless names reach Mr. A. Yates, 15, Norfolk Street, Rishton, by previous Thursday.—J. Pilkington. 4175

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch.—Meeting, Saturday, March 7th, St. Helen's Church, St. Helens. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. Wallace, 11, Whitefield Road, St. Helens.—G. Howlett Sec. 4210

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.—Meeting at Christ Church, Southport, on Saturday, March 7th, at 2.30 p.m. All visitors welcomed. Own arrangements for tea. 4172



**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**—Leicester District.—Meeting. Blaby. March 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. in Schoolroom. Names for tea to B. Law, 19, James Street, Blaby, by March 4th.—A. James Poyner. 4136

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**—Central Branch.—Meeting. Nocton. March 7th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Methods: Double Oxford and York Surprise. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to Mrs. H. Jackson. Nocton. Lincoln.—S. A. Chambers, Sec. 4163

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Guilborough Branch.—Meeting. Sibbertoft. Saturday. March 7th. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to J. E. Goddard. 45. Station Road. Long Buckby. Rugby. 4167

### THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755)

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**ST. FLORENCE, NR. TENBY, PEMBS**—Dedication of new ring of six. Saturday. March 7th. Names for tea by March 5th to Rector. The Rectory, St. Florence. 4158

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**—Devizes Branch.—Monthly meeting. Bromham (6). Saturday. March 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to A. Knight. 6. Southwick Road. North Bradley, Trowbridge. 3982

**SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY**—Monthly meeting. Pontefract (All Saints). March 7th. Bells 2.30-9 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea (moderate charge) Wordsworth's Cafe 5 p.m. Names before March 6th, please, to Dr. D. Atkins. 1. Acacia Close. Townville, Castleford.—L. M. Woodhead. Hon. Sec. 4182

**SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY**—Annual meeting. Rotherham. March 7th. Bells available. Parish Church (10) 3.30 to 5 p.m. and after tea. Whiston (8) 2-3. Eastwood (8) 2.30-3.30 p.m. Tea for those who notify N. Chaddock. 17. Herringthorpe Grove. Rotherham. All welcome.—J. Seager Hon. Sec.

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**—Nottingham District.—Meeting. Saturday. March 7th. Lenton. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. F. A. Coney. 139. Lenton Boulevard. Nottingham.—S. Adams. 4211

**SUFFOLK GUILD**—S.E. District.—Meeting at Woodbridge. Saturday. March 7th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, by Thursday. March 5th. to E. G. Pearce, Dis. Sec., 36. St. Andrew's Place, Melton. Woodbridge. 4203

**SURREY ASSOCIATION**—Northern District.—Practice meeting. March 7th at Colliers Wood. Bells (6) 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. followed by tea. Evening ringing at Merton (5). Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mr. H. Allen. 199. Western Road. S.W.19.—B. Bull. Asst. Sec. 4170

**SWANSEA & BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD**—Southern District.—Please note. Meeting at Devynock. Brecon. Saturday. March 7th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. followed by tea and meeting. Names, please, by February 29th.—J. A. Hoare. 6. Gendros Crescent. Fforestfach. Swansea. 4129

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Christchurch District.—Practice meeting at Lymington on Saturday. March 7th. Bells 3-4.30 p.m. Tea 4.45 in the Old Bank House. Milford bells 7-8.30 p.m. Names by Thursday. 5th, please, to L. F. Cobb. 182. Southampton Road, Ringwood.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION**—Western Branch.—Quarterly meeting. Riple. March 7th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. in Parish Hall. Further ringing after meeting until 8.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday. 3rd, please, to A. Jopp. Church Road. Stoulton. Worcester. 4191

**EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD**—Annual meeting on Saturday. March 14th. at Coleman's Hatch. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Ringing at Coleman's Hatch and Withyham (8) from 6.45-9 p.m. Names for tea by March 12th to J. Ryman. Vicarage Cottage. Coleman's Hatch. Hartfield, Sussex. 4193

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION**—S.E. District.—Supper and social on Saturday. March 14th. in the Village Hall. Danbury. at 6.45 p.m. Tickets. 6s. from P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage. Danbury. 4132

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION**—Northern District.—Meeting at Gestingthorpe. Saturday. March 14th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Striking competition cancelled. Names for tea by March 11th, please, to Mr. P. Wood. 4. Duck End. Finchfield. Braintree. 4187

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—The annual general meeting of the Guild will be held in Holy Trinity Hall on Saturday. March 14th. preceded by the Guild form of service. conducted by the Rev. D. Bentley, in Holy Trinity Church at 4.30 p.m. and tea in the hall. Please send names in good time of those requiring tea to Mrs. J. May. 15. Rydens Close. Old Woking. Woking (Woking 5236). Ringing arrangements: Stoke-next-Guildford. 3-4.15: St. Mary's. Guildford. 3-4.15: Holy Trinity. Guildford. 3-4.30: St. Nicolas'. Guildford. 7 (approx.) to 9 p.m.—D. A. R. May (Master). S. T. A. Russell (Hon. Gen. Sec.). 4202

**HEREFORD GUILD**—Bromyard District.—Annual meeting. Bromyard. March 14th. 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names to R. L. Price. 18. New Road. Bromyard. by March 12th, please. 4156

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Canterbury District.—By-meeting. Whitstable on Saturday. March 14th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Tea by invitation at 4.30. in Church Hall. Service at 5.30 p.m. Those who require tea please notify, by Thursday. March 12th. Miss H. Palmer. 37. Clare Road. Whitstable. 4165

**ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD**—A quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday. March 14th. at 3 p.m. at Llanbadarn Fawr. Names for tea to Mr. G. Harries. 8. Rheidol. Llanbadarn Fawr. Cards. 4181

**SUFFOLK GUILD**—North-West District.—Practice meeting at Hopton (6). Saturday. March 14th. Bells 6.30 to 9 p.m.—A. F. Ballam. 4188

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION**—Southern Branch.—Meeting at Overbury. Saturday. March 14th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to W. J. Newman. Manor Farm. Hinton. Evesham. by March 11th. 4195

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## QUARTER PEALS

**BIRCHINGTON, KENT.**—At All Saints' Church, on Feb. 9th. 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Jennifer Shields 1. Miss Groves 2. H. Luck 3. J. A. Russell (cond.) 4. A. Stone 5. A. Hinkley 6. J. Tumber (cover) 7. Also on Feb. 12th. 1,272 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Miss Groves 1. T. Milsted 2. H. Luck 3. A. Stone 4. A. Hinkley 5. J. A. Russell (cond.) 6. For Ash Wednesday.

**BRISTOL.**—At St. Mary, Redcliffe, on Feb. 2nd. 1,255 Erin Cinques: Gillian Hussey 1. E. F. Hancock 2. A. M. Tyler (cond.) 3. E. T. Lee 4. M. J. Hobbs 5. J. H. Gilbert 6. P. Bridle 7. M. J. Horseman 8. D. G. Yeo 9. J. Brain 10. R. J. Bowden 11. D. J. Hunt 12. First of Erin Cinques 1. 4. 5. 7. 8. 9 and 10. Rung for Candlemas Evensong.

**BURLEY, LEEDS.**—On Feb. 9th. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Jones 1. A. Twyman 2. Miss F. Fairbank 3. C. P. Rice 4. C. McCartney 5. W. W. Bradbury (cond.) 6. Rung for L.U.U.C.S. annual dinner.

**DUNSFOLD, SURREY.**—On Feb. 15th. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. D. Fuller 1. Cherry Webb 2. Hazel Freeston 3. Elizabeth Stevenson 4. J. H. Payton (cond.) 5. J. F. Payne 6. First of Minor 1. 5 and 6.

**EALING, MIDDLESEX.**—At St. Mary's Church on Feb. 16th. 1,264 Plain Bob Major: P. Felton 1. A. M. Stacey 2. F. Bishop (cond.) 3. S. Croft 4. F. Ransom 5. M. Sprackling 6. A. H. Fulwell 7. W. G. Wilson 8. For morning service.

**EAST ILSLEY, BERKS.**—On Feb. 10th. 1,260 Stedman Triples: Patricia E. Hibbert 1. Marjorie C. Hibbert 2. L. F. Cox 3. A. W. G. Sayers 4. A. W. Davis 5. J. H. Napper 6. J. W. T. Hibbert (first in method as cond.) 7. H. R. Wells 8.

**GOSFORTH, NORTHUMB.**—On Feb. 9th. 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss P. Cockburn (first quarter) 1. Miss J. Walker 2. Miss G. Douglas 3. A. G. Craddock (cond.) 4. M. Lincoln 5. J. Bell 6. For Evensong.

### MISCELLANEOUS

**BOLTON, LANCs.**—At Holy Trinity Church. on Feb. 9th. 630 Grandisle Triples: H. Gorton 1. J. Kay 2. Mrs. M. Kenyon 3. A. E. Sandford 4. T. Bratby 5. W. Tyson 6. P. Crook, Snr. (cond.) 7. J. W. Hamer 8. Rung to welcome Sarah Ruth, daughter of Mary and Paul Burn.

## GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

### East Devon Branch

The quarterly meeting of the East Devon Branch at Coteleigh on February 8th was attended by about 50 ringers and friends. The Vicar (the Rev. Mr. Cook) conducted the service, after which tea was served by the local ringers' wives. The meeting followed, presided over by the chairman, Mr. M. J. Sage, of Luppitt.

Nine new members were elected. Certificates were presented by the Vicar to Terence Fox, Graham Broom and Mrs. R. Woodley. Monthly practice meetings were fixed for Honiton (February 26th), Luppitt (March 10th) and Ottery St. Mary (April 13th).

The meeting closed with a talk on Coteleigh bells by Mr. Sage. Thanks were expressed to all who had helped to make the meeting a success.

M. W.

### LATE NOTICES

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol City Branch.—Meeting at Westbury-on-Trym. Saturday. March 7th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Ringing 6-8 p.m. Also Saturday. March 7th. at 8 a.m. Branch Corporate Communion at St. Thomas' City.—D. J. Hunt. 4218

**NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting at Cheadle. March 7th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Tea has been arranged at a local cafe and names must be sent to Mr. A. W. Hall. 77. Queen Street. Cheadle. S.O.T., by Wednesday. March 4th. at the latest.—G. C. Beech. Hon. Sec. 4222

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Shenley on March 7th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Names for tea by March 4th to Mr. S. Grace. 12. Dovecot Cottages. Shenley Brook End. Bletchley. 4220

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Committee meeting. King's Head. Matlock. Wednesday. March 11th. 7.30 p.m. Main business: Agenda for A.G.M. Nominations for officers, also notices of alterations to rules close on March 4th.—B. P. Morris. Gen. Sec. 4214



**QUARTER PEALS**

**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—On Feb. 16th, 1,440 Little Bob Minor: D. Lewsey 1, Carol Cousins 2, E. G. H. Godfrey 3, Margaret C. Godfrey 4, C. H. Macve 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6. First in method by all. For Evensong. Also on Feb. 17th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): S. Rees (first quarter) 1, A. M. Macve 2, D. P. Smith 3, Barbara J. Leigh 4, P. Erith (cond.) 5, Katharine M. Guy 6.

**BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.**—At St. Peter's Church, on Feb. 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: D. P. Treble 1, Angela Grainger 2, Peggy Taylor 3, Angela Wright (first attempt as cond.) 4, J. R. Norris 5, M. J. Bew 6, R. I. Vaughn 7, D. P. Snoswell 8, B. G. North 9, A. W. Bond 10. First on ten 5 and 6. A farewell to D. Paul Treble, who is leaving for Malvern.

**CLITHEROE, LANCs.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Susan Rowan 1, J. Pilkington 2, Shirley Washbrook 3, P. Norman 4, J. P. Jenkinson 5, W. Wilkinson (cond.) 6, C. Balshaw (first quarter) 7. For Evensong.

**EXHALL, WARWICKS.**—On Feb. 16th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. Webb 1, K. F. Gardner 2, G. P. Hammond 3, R. D. Hart (first of Surprise) 4, I. P. Unsworth 5, D. J. Allen (cond.) 6. For Matins.

**HELMDON, NORTHANTS.**—On Jan. 20th, 1,440 Spliced Surprise Minor (eight methods): J. G. Sheldar 1, J. Linnell 2, W. J. Chester 3, B. Saunders 4, C. E. Truman (cond.) 5, W. A. Yates 6.

**HIGHAM, SUFFOLK.**—On Feb. 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Janice Brand (first quarter attempt, aged 13) 1, Gillian Brown 2, G. Waterman 3, W. Bailey 4, A. E. Honeywood 5, U. Wildney (cond.) 6.

**MAIDS MORETON, BUCKS.**—On Jan. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. McKenzie (first quarter) 1, Miss A. Holland 2, A. Stanton 3, G. Orchard 4, G. W. Holland (cond.) 5, R. A. Vickers 6.

**YAXHAM, NORFOLK.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: O. Knight 1, Janet Hohl 2, R. Hutson 3, Freda Willgress 4, K. S. Hohl (cond.) 5, B. Willgress 6. For evening service.

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## BELLS AND CHURCHES IN AMERICA

*As Washington Cathedral and American bell ringing are in the news, the Rev. Malcolm Melville sends us the following extracts from 'The Small Church,' by F. R. Webber, published in 1939. He found the book in a library at Washington, and was so impressed that he copied these extracts.*

In America, for some mysterious reason, the churches are ominously silent. Just why Americans have neglected this highest and most effective form of dignified publicity is a problem that none can solve. American churches try frantically, by means of electric signs, illuminated crosses, outdoor bulletin boards and printed advertisements, to keep the Church before the people. But one set of tuneful bells, or one tower clock with its quarter chimes and resonant hour bell, is finer and more insistent publicity than all these other methods combined. It would be highly desirable were there a nationwide return to church bells, peal ringing and the use of tower clocks. Such things remind the populace throughout the day and night that a place of worship is nearby. Too often it is the town hall that sends its melodious message—of what—throughout the quiet evening air.

A Sunday morning in London is a thing never to be forgotten. Bells are ringing everywhere—not single bells, but fine rings of eight, ten and 12 bells. The band of peal ringers at the Abbey are sending forth bursts of melody, and in St. Margaret's close by the church tower is eloquent with the same music. Not far away we hear St. Mary's, Soho, and St. Martin-in-the-Fields, as we walk up Whitehall towards Trafalgar Square. Then come the rings of bells at St. Mary-le-Strand, St. Clement Danes and St. Bride's, Fleet Street. When we reach the foot of Fleet Street we hear the famous bells of Bow Church—to be born within the sound of which makes one a Cockney. The fine ring at St. Paul's is blending its voice with St. Dunstan's; St. Michael's, Cornhill; St. Helen's, Bishopsgate; St. James', Clerkenwell, and a score of others. . . . On Sundays and holy days, at marriages, at funerals, on at least one practice night in the week, and on numerous

other occasions, one hears the music of the peal ringers. They put their bells through 'rounds,' playing a diatonic scale downward, over and over. Then, at the command of their leader, they break into most melodious 'changes,' weaving an intricate melody, perhaps the simple, unscientific 'Churchyard Bob' and the call-changes of the provincial village, perhaps a more difficult Stedman's or other complicated method.

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Change-ringing is almost unknown in America, except at a few places such as Kent and Groton Schools, where the fine old tradition of our forefathers has been revived. Now and then we find a place, such as St. Trinity in Detroit, or two or three churches in Baltimore, where some persistent man has taught himself to play laboriously a few 'rows' by means of a hand clavier or an Ellacombe wall-chiming device. Such things, while better than no ringing at all, are but makeshifts. The day is coming, however, when our belfries will be vocal once more, and when our parishes will demand proper 'rings' of eight, ten or 12 properly tuned and correctly hung bells. These will be hung so that they may be rung up in peal, so that peal ringing can be practised on them, and so that one may have the thrill of hearing the bells lowered in peal, one by one, with the tenor or largest bell chiming, after all the others are silent, its call to worship.

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To play eight or ten bells from a hand clavier may be well enough as an emergency measure, but it is better to hang them in frames for correct ringing. Then organise a band of men and boys and teach them scientific ringing! There are old ringers from England living in America and pining for the chance to climb the belfry stairs and 'have a bit of a pull.' Such men will be only too eager to initiate any group of men and youths into all the mysteries of bobs, dodges, working up to first place and down to eighth's, getting into the hunt, and all the other things that the ringers must know. It's more manly sport than some of the things we do in our recreational rooms.



## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The bells of St. Andrew's, Enfield, rang out merrily over the market place as a party of 60 assembled for the annual meeting of the N. and E. District on February 8th.

Following a service conducted by the Rev. Graham Buston, Vicar and Rural Dean, himself a ringer who is found in the ringing room on Sundays whenever circumstances permit, justice was done to a splendid tea in the adjacent Church Hall.

The Vicar was in the chair at the commencement of the business meeting but was unable to remain throughout the whole of the proceedings, when his place was taken by the District chairman, Mr. H. G. Hart.

In presenting his report the secretary stated seven District meetings had been held during the past year with an average attendance of 38, whilst joint meetings had been held with the London County Association, the S.W. District of the Essex Association and the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths. Thirty new ringing members had been elected and 25 non-resident life members. Special mention was made of the Spliced Surprise Major on handbells in four, five, six, eight and nine methods, conducted by J. R. Mayne.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Master, Mr. A. Cutler; Deputy Master, Mrs. H. G. Hart; chairman, Mr. H. G. Hart; secretary, Mr. E. H. Kilby; assistant secretary, Mr. D. T. C. Smith; auditor, Mr. J. R. Mayne. Messrs. D. E. R. Knights, C. F. Neal and S. G. Peck were re-elected to the committee.

Messrs. C. R. Bird (Willesden), P. Dias and A. Jones (Hackney), Miss Anne Luxon and Mr. M. Gilbey (Enfield), together with the Misses Jacqueline Hedges, Gloria Simpson, Carol Francis and Pamela Mills (Edmonton) were elected as ringing members, whilst Mr. Richard Ouston (late of Edgware), Mr. H. D. Butler (a staunch member of the Harrow Weald band for many years, who was leaving the district to reside in Sussex) and Miss Susan Smith (Fareham) were elected as non-resident life members.

A suggestion from the South and West District that a joint list of the meetings of each District be circularised to all towers in the Association was readily approved as being a helpful measure to all members and ringing friends.

Before a return to the belfry Mr. H. G. Hart thanked the Vicar, Mr. Eric Pask (organist), Miss Lesley Fletcher and members of the Edmonton County School Guild of Change Ringers for providing tea, and Mr. J. R. Dugan for local arrangements. E. H. K.

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD Bingham District

To a meeting at Willoughby-in-the-Wolds, a five-bell tower, on February 8th, came representatives of ten towers in the Bingham District, but by evening there were present visitors from South London, Leeds, Derby, Sheffield, Melton Mowbray and Helsinki, Finland. Such is the magnetic attraction of ringing that over 50 people come to a five-bell tower!

Proceedings took the same line as at countless ringing meetings. A welcome came from the Vicar (the Rev. A. L. Hayward), who later conducted the service with his son John playing the organ. Then came a tea at Wysall Rectory, prepared by Mrs. Exton and helpers. At the business meeting Mrs. Harrison (Whetton) and Miss Palmer (Radcliffe) were elected members and the vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Hanson.

The next meeting (March 14th) is a joint one with the Newark District: April meeting at Colson Bassett, with Little Bob Major and Oxford Bob Triples as special methods. R. B.

**YORK.**—At the Architectural Institute, on Feb. 22nd, 1,320 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): G. H. Owen 1, R. Aldington 2, P. Thompson 3, G. Pluckrose 4, M. King (cond.) 5, I. Johnson 6. First in two Doubles methods for 1, 2, 3 and 6, and for St. John's College Bellringers' Society.

## UP AND COMING YOUNGSTERS—No. 14



**MICHAEL W. COLEMAN**

The Oxford Diocesan Guild

The Oxford Diocesan Guild has for many years held a high place in the Exercise, always giving help and encouragement to its young members. It is not surprising, therefore, to find such keen and enthusiastic youngsters as Michael W. Coleman among them.

Michael was born at Adderbury West, near Banbury, on June 21st, 1944. He started school at the age of five at Adderbury C. of E. Primary School. It was there that he passed his 11-plus examination which took him to Banbury Grammar School. In 1960 he obtained his G.C.E. 'O' Level in seven subjects. A further two years' studying at the same school gained for him three 'A' Level G.C.E. passes in physics, maths and chemistry. At the present time Michael is at Birkbeck College, University of London, where he is reading for a degree in chemistry. He is also employed part-time at Thorn Electrical Industries at Enfield.

Michael started ringing in November, 1956, at the Parish Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, Adderbury, under the watchful eye of Mr. H. L. Roper. In a very short time he became a member of the regular Sunday service band which at that time only rang call changes. The perseverance and patience of his tutor, who saw to it that he attended other towers where method ringing was practised, soon paid off dividends, for in October, 1957, he took part in his first quarter peal, ringing the second at Adderbury to Grandsire Triples.

Michael's first peal took place 18 months later, when he rang the treble to Plain Bob Major on April 27th, 1959, at the same tower. The peal was conducted by Mr. George W. Holland, of Mids Moreton, Bucks. His interest in ringing grew and soon carried him into the field of conducting, and on November 18th, 1961, at Cropredy, Oxon, he rang his first as conductor, ringing the tenor to Plain Bob Minor. Michael now has a total of 54 peals to his credit of which he has conducted 13.

His ringing has not been without amusing incidents, one of which took place at a tower in North Wales on a Sunday afternoon. The Roving Ringers, who were touring the district at the time, had obtained permission to ring at this particular tower prior to a christening. On hearing the bells Michael dashed into the church hoping to get a ring, only to be confronted by the Vicar, who promptly asked in an ominous voice, 'Where is the baby?' He was informed later that he had been mistaken for the proud father!

The ambitions of this brilliant youngster are to become a really good conductor, to call Holt's Original and to ring a peal in over 100 doubles methods/variations.

A member of the Ancient Order of College Youths, and recently elected Ringing Master of the Society of Roving Ringers, Michael attributes his success as a ringer to the help and encouragement he has received from Mr. H. L. Roper, and more recently to the opportunities afforded to him by the Roving Ringers. Hence the fact that he has now rung in 542 different towers. A very noteworthy record. Congratulations and good luck, Michael. NORVING.

## THE NORWICH ASSOCIATION

All officials were re-elected at the Eastern Branch annual meeting held at Great Yarmouth on February 8th. They are: Chairman, Miss D. E. Liddbetter; secretary, Mr. N. P. J. Cossey; Ringing Master, Mr. G. G. Walpole; Standing Committee, Mr. A. E. Crowe and Mr. M. Parker; Branch Committee, Messrs. A. W. Bird, C. Bailey, J. Forster, J. B. Gorrod and T. Brock.

The service was conducted by Canon Gilbert Thurlow, during which he dedicated a peal board. Mr. Angwin was the organist.

Fifty members and friends sat down to an excellent tea prepared by the local company. Mr. D. Long was re-elected a member of the Association and Mr. A. Cook promoted from probationer to ringing member.

Votes of thanks were accorded to Canon Thurlow, Mr. Angwin and the local company. Next meeting: Happisburgh, June 6th.

## HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The February meeting of the St. Albans District was held at Sandridge, where ringing on the light six included Carter's Principle, the special method. It was found, rather to our cost, that the Central Council version in 'Doubles Methods' is the reverse of Snowdon's version in 'Standard Methods'.

The Rev. P. Handford conducted Evensong, and Mr. A. T. Hawkins, the tower captain, played the organ. Mr. Hawkins also served tea in the Village Hall, helped by local ladies. Miss Amy Coburn, our secretary, was in bed with appendicitis, and Mr. Cull, chairman at the business meeting, sent our best wishes for a speedy recovery via her husband, who had come to act for her.

Before the evening ringing, Geoff Dodds gave the first of what may be, if popular, a series of ten-minute talks on conducting. J. D. C.

## THE WASHINGTON DEDICATION

As final approval has not yet been received from Washington, the names of the band selected to ring at the dedication of the Gloria in Excelsis Tower at the Cathedral on Ascension Day are being withheld from publication.

Towards the original appeal of £1,000, Mr. Douglas Hughes has received a little over £300. Donations should be sent to Mr. Douglas Hughes, c/o Westminster Bank, St. Mary Axe, E.C.3.

## NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION

### Presentation to Retiring Secretary

Mr. J. G. Burton, the retiring secretary of the North Staffordshire Association, was presented with a transistor radio, subscribed to by members of the Association, at a meeting at Bucknall on February 1st. Some 40 members were present for ringing, service and an excellent tea provided by Bucknall ringers. From the Rector (the Rev. E. K. V. Pearce) there was a warm welcome.

Mr. C. W. Biddulph, chairman of the Association, paid a tribute to the work of Mr. Burton during his six years in office as secretary. 'He has made a first-class job of everything he has done,' was his appreciation. He asked the Rector to make the presentation.

Mr. Burton, accepting the radio, gave a short, witty speech, and then seriously thanked the assembly, and especially the committee, for the help and support they had given him. Ringing then recommenced and varied from rounds to Surprise until 8 p.m. G. C. B.



## Some Memories of Record Peals of Double Norwich

BY EDWIN BARNETT

I read with great interest Mr. E. C. Shepherd's article on December 27th, in which he records record peals of Double Norwich of long ago, particularly the 13,440 at Romford in 1894, and the 15,072 at Erith in 1899.

It was my intention on the 70th anniversary of the 13,440 at Romford (April 18th) to record my memories of the peal, and the circumstances which caused it to be rung so quickly after the tragic failure at Brentwood (as told to me many times by my father, who was one of the band), but I have brought this forward, while Mr. Shepherd's article is fresh in readers' minds.

I was nine years old at the time, and well remember the disappointment of my father and Charles Wilkins (who was then living with us) on their return from Brentwood, and their surprise when, on a Saturday morning a fortnight later, a telegram arrived telling them to go to Romford the following Wednesday for the peal.

Benjamin Keeble, who used to write a weekly column in the 'Bell News' under the nom-de-plume of 'Plain Speaker,' and do odd reporting jobs for the paper, got to know that a band in the Midlands intended to go for the same peal on the following Saturday week. This information he passed on to Acland Perkins at Romford the same day (a Friday). Perkins, a great friend of George Newson, went that evening to the Cumberlands' practice at St. Martin's, to inform Newson of what Keeble had told him, together with the offer of Romford tower on the following Tuesday, if the band could be got together in time. Six of them were there and the offer of the tower was gratefully accepted. All that remained was to contact the other two and they met and rang the peal in (I think) 8 hours, 16 minutes.

The Cumberlands were, naturally, very proud of their achievement and had an elaborate peal card printed, which gave not only the usual particulars of the peal but the composition and some eight or ten verses by the late Samuel Slater, of Glemsford. I am unable to remember them all, but they began as follows:—

'April the eighteenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-four

Will be remembered by us all, now and for evermore,

For on that day as now we understand  
Was rung a mighty peal by the Youths of Cumberland.'

Recalling the failure at Brentwood he says later on—

'Twas rung before, within a little span,

'Tis now the longest in the method ever rung by any man.'

Later still he works in the names of the band. I can only remember what he says of the first three:—

'Benjamin Foksett rang the treble so started this great peal,

And now he has rung it great pleasure he will feel:

Edwin Barnett rang the second, and did his equal part,

For Double Norwich Court is rooted in his heart.

The next upon this list has taken many pains

In ringing and composing, his name is Henry Dains.'

George Newson, the conductor, died almost exactly a year later from what we now know as appendicitis but for which at that time there was no known cure. Albert Pittam, who rang the sixth, died in Berkshire between the

wars. Charles Wilkins, who rang the fifth, was the youngest member of the band and was to take part in the 15,072 at Erith in 1899. He died at Shrewsbury in 1944.

I was, in a small way, associated with this peal. Erith, as many people know, has a ground-floor belfry and in common with other such belfries peals have been lost there through people banging on the door.

I went over during the morning with my father and we stayed until the end. On our arrival we found the then steeplekeeper, John Garard, doing 'sentry go' outside to prevent anything like this happening to them. About lunchtime, father and he went off to get something to eat (or, perhaps, drink) and left me on duty until they returned. This was about an hour and a half, and I was very hungry by the time they got back. And, at the age of 14, I would probably not have been of much use on my own if an irate inhabitant had come along!

I have often wondered how bands were ever able to ring long peals at Erith, especially in those days, as there are no windows in the tower for ventilation, it has a very low ceiling and the only illumination then was two flat flame gas burners.

This was the first occasion that I met the brothers Pye, and thus began an association with them which lasted all their lives, and provided me with the happiest of memories.

In 1959 the present steeplekeeper at Erith, Mr. F. J. Cullum, arranged another peal of Double Norwich on the 60th anniversary of the original peal, in which I was pleased to take part, one of his band, Mr. George Butcher, kindly standing down to enable me to do so.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD

A very successful meeting of the S.W. District, on February 22nd, with 21 towers represented, started the Bures week-end. The Ringing Master (Mr. L. D. Mills) had the easy task of being able to put on any method asked for from the 50 ringers in attendance: their ability ranged from call changes to London.

Worship in church was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. Ian Dunlop), assisted by Dr. John Young, and commenced with Grandsire on handbells. The youngest ringer in attendance, 11-year-old Jeremy Dingwall, sang the solo. In his address the Vicar fully explained how all church work was worship.

At the business meeting, under the chairmanship of 'Our Sam' (Mr. S. J. Twitchett) the possibility of arranging a special type of service to be held throughout the District to help attract outsiders into the church was discussed. Members were asked to give this very careful thought and to discuss it more fully at the May meeting to be held at Clare. Miss Greta Spurgin, of Bures, was elected a member. Tea was provided by the lady members and parishioners.

One of the features was the first reunion of some of the old Bures band, who had their first ring together after nearly five years. A tape recording of the Yorkshire ringers is to be kept among the records of Bures tower. Considering the fact that some of the band had not rung any Surprise methods since they left, the recording is quite good.

For Matins on Sunday a good quarter peal of Yorkshire was rung with George and Diana Pipe in the band. It was conducted by Donald L. Mills as a birthday compliment to his mother. Ringing for Evensong by those able to stay brought to a close a very happy and memorable week-end, and as farewells were exchanged it was on everybody's mind 'When can we get together again?'

## BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

THE Bishop of Hull made the first presentation of the Albert Sellers Memorial Cup at the Society's annual meeting, held at Beverley on February 8th. This cup was obtained during last year to the memory of the Society's late president for annual presentation to the tower in the District judged to have mostly carried out the Society's object in the advancement of, and instruction in, the art of change ringing, both in its scientific aspect and as a branch of church work.

The first winners of the cup were the Walkington ringers and their captain, Miss Joan Gray, received the trophy on their behalf. In making the presentation the Bishop remarked on the youthfulness of the Walkington team and pointed out that they were young enough to repeat their success, particularly so when it was remembered that the cup was in memory of a ringer who was active when turned 80.

In announcing the winning tower, the Ringing Master (Mr. D. Johnson) mentioned the difficulty he had had in making a decision, as one of the two towers in the final reckoning was Kirk Ella—his own tower! As a member of the Kirk Ella team, the writer expresses sincere congratulations to the Walkington ringers and agrees wholeheartedly with the decision—on this occasion.

It was very fitting that the first holders of the cup should be a team with such a high proportion of young ringers, as no one was more delighted than Albert Sellers to see the growing influx of youngsters into the Society in recent years. He could usually be found amongst the younger members at meetings, encouraging them and making them feel at home.

The Bishop also gave the address at the service in St. Mary's Church, conducted by

the Vicar (the Rev. S. Walker). He told the members that their bellringing was a part of the whole system of worship and evangelism in our Church, and referred to the days when churchgoing was the order of the day and father attended the service instead of going to the golf course. This was not so true today and there was more need than ever for the silver trumpets of Israel to sound to call people to worship.

The annual report appeared for the first time in booklet form, with notes from the towers in the area, and received a most favourable reception. Mr. Norman Castle and Miss Joan Gray were warmly congratulated on their idea for this enlarged form of report, and thanked for their hard work in putting it into execution, as the booklet is printed by them and their assistants of the Walkington Vestry (Newsletter) Press.

Fifty-three ringers attended the meeting, from 16 different towers as far apart as Scarborough and Scalby to the north, York and Huntington to the west and Ulceby (Lines) to the south. Afternoon ringing was at the ten bells at the Minster, and the town's second ring of ten at St. Mary's was rung in the evening. Seven new members were elected from Bridlington (three), Beverley Minster, Scalby, Selby and Walkington.

Mr. C. Hobson (Kirk Ella) and Mr. G. Pybus (Cottingham) were not available for re-election to the positions of Assistant Ringing Master and assistant secretary respectively, and Mr. H. Gibson (Sutton) and Miss J. Gray (Walkington) were elected to the respective vacancies. Mr. I. Booth (Cottingham) was appointed to fill a vacancy on the committee. Other officers and committee were re-elected.

K.

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## Letters to the Editor

### Mr. Knight now a Guild Officer

Dear Sir.—When Mr. Knight generously wrote his letter saying that the Wessex Scholars were 'disbanded' in the interests of greater unity with the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild, I would have liked to have written to you publicly to thank him. However, I respected your footnote to his letter that you were closing the correspondence on the matter. Consequently, I am very surprised to read Mr. Dodd's letter last week which brings it up again and regret that it was published, for it gives a wrong impression of what is happening now. I hope you will, therefore, kindly allow me, as Master of the Guild, to write a few more words to conclude the whole issue.

When Mr. Knight kindly ended the Wessex Scholars in the interests of the existing Guild, we took immediate steps to see that his genius for organisation was not allowed to go to waste and at the annual meeting of the Winchester District a month ago I had the pleasure of proposing him as Deputy Ringing Master of the District, the Ringing Master (Mr. Tubbs) and the secretary (Mr. Brown) wholeheartedly welcoming him to this new office. Already they are making a survey of the area and have intimated that they are ready to help struggling towers on practice night, etc. Already, Mr. Knight has taken some of his ringers to help at a special occasion in one parish. I feel sure that something might be done at Dummer if requested.

I am confident the results will be even better than they would have been by the efforts of the Wessex Scholars alone, for now Mr. Knight has the backing of the Diocesan Guild and I feel sure that all our members will do all they can to help him after his generous gesture.—Yours sincerely,

K. W. H. FELSTEAD,  
Master,

Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild.

### Boiling Rope-ends not New

Dear Sir.—The recent boiling of a rope-end is not the 'precedent in the art of campanology' that K. R. Dunstan seems to think. I boiled a tail-end on more than one occasion years ago, not so much to soften it as to get rid of the sticky glycerine which a ringer of those days used to put on it to get a grip. Fortunately no one in our band uses any aid of this kind to-day. Moreover, this idea of boiling a rope-end is not original with me, either, for I got the idea from a still older ringer.—Yours faithfully,

P. LAFLIN.

Stockport.

### Name Changed

Dear Sir.—Would the Records Committee please note that a peal rung at Ashton-under-Lyne on May 1st, 1963, conducted by the late Derek Ogden and published in 'The Ringing World' of May 24th, 1963, as a peal of Ashton Surprise Major, has been recorded by the Lancashire Association as a peal of Clerkenwell Surprise Major.—Yours faithfully,

J. P. PARTINGTON.

Ringling Secretary, Lancashire Association.

### The Lightest Ring

Sir.—Mr. F. D. Mack's little ring of bells may be nearer 200 than 100 years old as, according to 'Church Bells of Warwickshire,' Tilley and Walter, 1st edition, 1910, page 77, Robert Wells worked the Aldbourne Foundry from 1764 to 1794, being joined by his son James in 1781, who carried on the business until 1825, when it was acquired by Mears of Whitechapel.—Yours sincerely,

Harborne.

W. E. BOX.

### Leading Peal Ringers' List

Dear Sir.—I should be extremely grateful if you would allow me to make the following points in your columns regarding the list of leading peal ringers:—

(i) Many people do not send their names for inclusion in the list of leading peal ringers because they wrongly feel it to be a form of exhibitionism.

(ii) The list at present is, therefore, incomplete and valueless.

(iii) Either a complete list should be published or none at all. Many people keep surprisingly full records of peals which have been rung. Is it not possible to ask for a volunteer to compile a full list?

Much the same remarks could be made about the list of tower-grabbers. However, it is an open question whether this list has any use whatsoever. While the ringing of 25 peals in a year gives some indication of keenness and ability, the fact that someone has rung in 100 new towers in the same period implies, to me at least, no more than a high degree of mobility.—Yours faithfully,

JOHN CAMP.

Jesus College, Oxford.

### Burslem Delight

Dear Sir.—Your inability to find space for my article on Burslem Delight places me at a great disadvantage. F. Blagrove's reply gives a very poor account of my arguments. (Those interested in this matter are requested to turn to the Miscellaneous Publications advertisement I have inserted.)

His main criticism seems to be the non-existence of the 14-14 sub-section in the Minor method. My article justifies this at some length.

I expected him to attack the sequence of pivot-bells. I wonder why there is no mention of this.

Burslem Royal has indeed the misfortune to be a three-lead course method. This does not, however, make it any less a member of the same family.

Burslem Maximus is the strict extension of the Major. If F. T. B. reads his letter again he will find that he says it is not.\*

London Royal III is a red herring. Nowhere in my article did I attempt to justify the disappearance of 14.58.14 sub-section.

The crux of the matter is my contention that extension and contraction are self-conjugate. F. T. B. speaks personally in his denial of this; there is no mention of this matter in the Report.

There are many more 12-bell methods than six-bell methods, so it is likely that several 12-bell methods may be found which contract to the same six-bell method.

If, as I maintain, extension and contraction are the reverse of each other, one might therefore expect to find Minor methods which extend in more than one way.

There are such methods. I have yet to hear of any explanation of this other than the one above. For instance, here is a form of Kent Treble Bob:—

16.34—34.16—12—16—12—16  
18.34—34.18.56.12.56.18—12—18—12—18  
10.34—34.10.56.12.56.10.78.12.78.10—12—10  
—12—10

'Burslem Delight No. 2 Version' would seem to be a suitable name for the Major and higher stages of F. T. B.'s homework.—Yours faithfully,

H. POYNER.

\* This was a typographical error which was subsequently corrected.—Ed.

### An American View

Dear Sir.—Quite recently an American professor, a Nobel prizewinner, came to England to spend a year as a Fellow of an Oxford college. His wife, who has a discerning eye for the contrasts between the American and British ways of life, both within University circles and at large, and possesses also the ability to write about her impressions entertainingly, has written an account of their sojourn, and this was published in this country last year by Robert Hale, Ltd., who have kindly allowed me to quote the following extract, which will be of particular interest to readers of this journal:—

'Change ringing is a uniquely English art. It combines four or more bells of different pitch—Magdalen has ten—each of which is rung in a different pattern. The rhythms overlap, blending into a rolling, tumbling melody of sound that makes the heart lift and the spirit tingle any time you hear it. But on that particular Christmas Day in the morning, as we left the college, the clangour of bells overwhelmed us and enveloped us. They beat us to earth. They tossed us heavenward. Even the cold stars seemed to shimmer in the midnight sky, and the rapture was almost impossible to bear.'

The book, 'These Ruins Are Inhabited,' by Muriel Beadle, is of quite general interest, but will be especially appreciated by members of our University Guilds.—Yours sincerely,

A. R. PARGETER.

Tiverton, Devon.

### The Lady had no Difficulty

Dear Sir.—I am willing to concede that Mr. Norman Chaddock's ringing experience has taught him that rope-ends are more suitable for heavier rings of bells but, as a native of the Barnsley area, I strongly resent his statement in his letter that 'one can get by satisfactorily in closed-lead ringing with Yorkshire tail-ends.'

Every effort is made to raise the standard of ringing to as high a level as possible and there is never any question of getting by with second best.

Furthermore, I learned to ring on Yorkshire ends and, although I have small hands, I have never encountered any difficulty in holding the billy and the sally in one hand.

I suggest it is a question of mind over matter rather than physical proportions of the hand and anyone who is capable of handling a bell correctly should be able to ring comfortably on Yorkshire ends if they approach the matter with an unprejudiced attitude.—Yours sincerely,

C. M. SAVILLE (Miss).

Neville's Cross College, Durham.

### Tenor Ringer of 40 Years' Preference

Dear Sir.—I do hope that Mr. N. Chaddock is only speaking for himself when he states that a heavy bell cannot be rung properly with a rope with a Yorkshire tail-end.

I have been a tenor ringer for 40 years and to me the Yorkshire tail-end is far in advance of the plain. If, as stated by Mr. Chaddock, he has to take up rope at backstroke when the bell's swing has to be severely cut down, then in my opinion the bells are being rung much too fast. I have had the great pleasure of ringing with Professor Dodger many times, and to watch him handle a bell is to see perfection. I hope that Mr. N. Chaddock will read the letter on page 124. 'Boiled' Tenor Rope-End, and there is his answer.—Yours sincerely,

HARRY MANN.

Siykstone, near Barnsley.

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## LETTERS—Continued

**Surprise Method Collection**

Dear Sir,—I feel that the front-page article on page 89, on the 'Complete Collection of Right-Place Surprise Major Methods' cannot pass unchallenged.

The restriction of not more than one double change per half-lead is imposed to keep the collection down to a reasonable size. If this is not done 30,000 notations becomes acceptable, giving almost twice this number of methods. It would be virtually impossible to make a work of this size available from an economic point of view. Certainly about a dozen such methods have been rung but these will become available when and if the promised collection of all rung Surprise Major methods appears. An implication that the collection as it stands may not be complete can have no justification.

The article also criticises the order of arrangement of the methods. One finds it hard to imagine that a ringer capable of using this collection should find this a stumbling block. Surely too, such a ringer can be trusted to ensure that the methods of more dubious quality will not be rung. We live in a more enlightened age than one in which a complete work of this type should be suppressed for fear less standards be lowered. A work of Corrigan's type is certainly worthwhile as far as it goes, but after all, the first step in producing such a collection involves knowing what possibilities are available. I would add that at the moment I have a programme in the Manchester University Atlas Computer, to determine all possibilities, right- and wrong-place, though almost certainly it will never be published because of the vastness of the work (there are approximately seven million million notations to test).

So far as technical accuracy is concerned the chances of a mistake being made by the computer as to the production of plain bob lead-ends are minimal. If such a fault were likely to occur then it would be accompanied by some more obvious one such as the complete cessation of production of the methods or completely ridiculous notations.

With regard to the inaccuracies in the naming of methods, it is almost inevitable that a volume of this size will contain a few mistakes. If the corrections are prominently published in 'The Ringing World,' no lasting harm has been done. More confusion arises from mistakes within the pages of 'The Ringing World,' e.g., Moira and Oh are mentioned on page 20; attention was drawn on page 692 (1963) to the fact that these methods have previously been rung as Purbeck and Oxney. Again, it should be pointed out that the method given as Llanfihangelrhvdeithon (page 48) has previously been rung as Guernsey (page 51—1963).

Derek Sibson must be taken to task for perpetuating the ambiguous use of the term 'lead-end.' As far as I can ascertain there is no accepted lettering of lead-ends. The lettering system normally in use applying to lead-heads cannot be used in the collection, as in most cases two methods are defined by each notation. It requires little effort to write a—f and g—m by the appropriate lead-head in the table given on page two of the introduction.

I believe that this collection will prove to be valuable to the Exercise as a work of reference, and that its importance should not be underestimated.—Yours faithfully,

JOHN C. BALDWIN.

Manchester.

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**Collection of Value to Exercise**

Dear Sir,—Three of your contributors in 'The Ringing World' of February 21st seem to me to have been severe on Dr. Sibson. Had I been asked to review the collection recently published by our two young Cambridge friends I should have refused. I understand that at least one well-known ringer did this. And if I had been over-persuaded my review would have been not unlike the one published on February 7th.

A book reviewer has two major duties. He should draw his readers' attention to the book under study and to its author, introducing both to the public. And he should give his own honest opinion of the value of the end product. If he does not do this last, he is only a writer of a publisher's blurb—an advertising agent. If the work appeals to him, the reviewer has an easy and pleasant task. Otherwise he must refuse the job, of face the issue fairly.

Dr. Sibson seems to me to have fulfilled these obligations admirably. He tells us what is in the book, to help us decide whether we wish to beg or borrow a copy. He regrets the mistakes and shows how some of them could have been avoided. We have too often had to regret mistakes in ringing publications because the corrections never catch up with the errors. He remarks that 'undoubtedly any man who tries to keep records will require a copy.' He then gives his views about the contents and says what so many ringers have said, without contradiction, for the last generation—that the Exercise needs a suitable collection of methods already rung and a selection of suitable unringed ones.

If any different kind of review to this had been submitted, I have no doubt you would have considered it for publication. Dr. Sibson's critics were favourably impressed but I assume did not submit a review of their impressions of the book.

These days any ringer who takes the time and trouble and risks his cash on publishing is to be congratulated. I think you will agree that I speak from experience. But it is little use bemoaning the fact that the Central Council, or anyone else, has not yet produced a 'mythical long-promised' collection. Any collection or publication about change ringing will only be published when one of us gives up sufficient time to produce it and finds the cash (or a backer with faith) to publish. The first of these criteria was met before the last war in the Trollope and Turner book on the Surprise Major methods (2 vols., 1,200 pages of manuscript, containing a collection of over 600 methods, each with diagram, compositions, false course heads, incidence of false-ness, etc., and 200 pages on the theory of Surprise Major methods). The second need—the cash—could not be met, so publication was not possible.

I was glad to note that the two authors have had the pleasure of a sell-out. Whether that proves the demand, as suggested by one of your correspondents, depends on the number produced. The Exercise has a nucleus of members who will buy any publication about our art, whether or not they intend to read or use it. It is the continuing numbers sold above this that proves a demand and it will now need a second edition before we can support that statement.—Yours, etc.,

WILFRID G. WILSON.

Ruislip Manor.

**RINGING IN AUSTRALIA**

According to 'Ringing Towers,' 1963 was a record year for peal ringing in Australia. No fewer than 15 peals were rung, 11 on tower bells and four 'in hand.' This was an advance of one on the previous best year, 1953. Important milestones were first peals of Cambridge Surprise Major and of Plain Bob Royal with a resident band, as well as the first of Stedman Triples 'in hand.' Three towers received their peal baptism — St. George's, Perth. St. Paul's, Burwood, and St. Peter's, Adelaide.

Quarter peals rung were: Tower 63 (1962, 61); hand 15 (53). Brian Lawes and Jack Roper conducted their first peals, while the records included 21 asterisks indicating 'first peal.' There were 13 first quarters, and Helen Henderson, Anne Cowling, Sidney and Harold McDonald rang their first as conductor.

**OBITUARY****MR. WALTER CHARLES MEDLER**

Mr. Walter Medler died at his home at Hevingham, Norfolk, on February 14th. He was taken ill at Buxton immediately after conducting a practice touch in which his wife took part on the evening of the 4th, and had just set his bell when he collapsed. During the next ten days he regained consciousness only for a few fleeting moments. It was the first time since he was 22 that he had had a doctor attend him in his 75 years.

The funeral service took place at Hevingham Church where, as a boy, he first gained on the five bells there his great love for ringing. Among the large congregation ringers were present from Aylsham, Buxton, Lammas, Marsham and St. Peter Mancroft and St. Giles', Norwich. As the bells are at present unringable, handbells were rung as the cortege entered and left the church, which, as Canon Marsham, a former Rector, remarked, Walter would have wished.

Elected a member of the Norwich Association on January 7th, 1907, Walter Medler had been a constant supporter for all those 57 years. Although he had rung some 200 peals he was essentially a service ringer and had given valuable service at Hevingham, Aylsham, Marsham and Buxton. He had a particular fondness for the latter tower, having conducted the first peal on the bells on April 1st, 1911.

Mr. Medler's peal ringing began at Hevingham, where on October 8th, 1910, he conducted his first peal. Ten days later he rang his first peal of Major at Marsham. He certainly enjoyed peal ringing, especially Minor, many of which he conducted. He was keenly interested, too, in handbell ringing and it was due to his support of Mr. Cyril Pooley's efforts that the writer owes his initiation to this neglected side of our art.

To Mrs. Medler we offer our deep sympathy in her great sorrow. She had been a constant companion for more than 50 years of her husband's ringing excursions and took up the art herself at the age of 60! N. G.

**MR. GEORGE SCOTT**

After a short illness, Mr. George Scott, of Fulbeck, Lincs. died on February 16th, aged 86 years. Since the age of 15 he had been a ringer and although he retired about seven years ago his interest in ringing still remained. His last appearance in the belfry was on November 5th, 1963, when he called a touch of Grandsire Doubles.

George was attached at one time to Leadenham tower and later he joined the Caythorpe band. It was in this tower that he rang his first peal on September 4th, 1904. In 1911 his name first appeared with the Fulbeck company. All his peals, which numbered 67 (conducted 35), were rung for the Lincoln Diocesan Guild.

The funeral took place at Fulbeck on February 19th. The bells were rang half-muffled immediately after the service by local ringers and a visitor (Mr. L. Willders, Lincoln). A half-muffled peal was rung on February 22nd by members of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild in memory of one who served his Church as a ringer so well and so faithfully for 70 years. J. W.

**HON. BARBARA GIBBS, O.B.E.**

The Hon. Barbara Gibbs, O.B.E., died at her home, Hunsdon Mill, Ware, on February 24th, after a long and wearying illness. She was a member of the Hertford County Association and the Ladies' Guild, and a regular Sunday service ringer at Hunsdon for many years. She had rung only one peal, and was undoubtedly better known for her work for the Red Cross and among disabled soldiers—her 'chaps' as she used to call them—as well as for her work for the Diocese of St. Albans and the Women's Institute movement. It was, however, lady ringers—Miss E. Chitty and Mrs. T. J. Lock—who had the honour of accompanying Miss Gibbs when she went to Buckingham Palace to receive the O.B.E. from the Queen. Miss Chitty writes: 'We who are left in the belfry miss her every service, as she was always there, even when she could not ring.'

The funeral, which was private, took place at Hunsdon on February 27th, and a memorial service is to be held in St. Albans Abbey.



## ENGLAND'S FARTHEST EAST

By T. A. BEVIS

THE sound of Lowestoft's bells, ringing for the first time on St. Margaret's Day, June 20th, 1920, inspired the late Mr. A. E. Murton, for many years editor of the 'Lowestoft Journal,' to pen the following lines:—

St. Margaret's Bells, Old Lowestoft's Bells—

Their sweet notes rise and fall;

A message here, a summons there,

A worship call to all.

St. Margaret's Bells, Old Lowestoft's Bells—

They sound o'er land and sea;

The sailor hears, and hearing, prays

That home safe he may be.

St. Margaret's Bells, Old Lowestoft's Bells—

In sonorous melody

Their voices ring in anthem sing,

Gloria tibi Domine.

It may surprise some to learn that Lowestoft is England's farthest east. The town began to develop with the Tudor dynasty, and it is now a valuable fishing port with a four-mile sea-front—a joy to those who love walks and exhilarating sea breezes.

The town's dominant feature is the spire (50 feet high) of St. Margaret's Church rising from a 14th century tower attached to a building over 60 yards long and 20 yards wide, noted for magnificent windows and a wonderful new roof. The steeple is a welcome sight for fishermen homeward bound.

According to records the tower contained one bell for many years until the time when the present ring was installed. Of substantial proportions, this bell, inscribed 'I tell all that do me see, Newman of Norwich new cast me,' weighed over 17 cwt and was cast about 1730.

Long before that year the steeple housed five bells, four of which were apparently removed during the Commonwealth. The earliest record relating to Lowestoft Church at the Return of 1553, states 'Great Bells iij Sancts Bell.'

An account book kept by one John Tanner, gives the following, dated 1709: 'The Three Crackt Bells wch were taken down out of Lowestoft Steeple Decr. 1709 to be made into one weighd ys follows: First bell 4 cwt, 2 qrs, 27 lbs; E bell 5 cwt, 3 qrs, 18 lbs; largest bell 6 cwt, 2 qrs, 25 lbs.'

The new bell was to weigh precisely 18 cwt, but was found to be two cwt, short. Another entry states: 'The Bell at Church being split in May 1729 was new cast by Tho. Newman at Norwich Jan. 23rd, 1729 and weigh'd 17 cwt, 2 qrs, 7 lbs. NOTE: That for want of metal the Bell had but pieces of Cannons and those being cut off to hang it with Bolts ye bell now wants 25 lbs of the above weight.'

The present ring of eight bells (tenor 13 cwt, 2 qrs, 21 lbs in F sharp) was hung in July, 1920, and forms part of the memorial to those men of Lowestoft who fell in the Great War of 1914-18. A brass tablet on the north wall of the ground-floor ringing chamber records inscriptions on the bells, which were obtained by public subscription and by industrial presentation:—

Treble: Presented by J. W. Brooke Co. Ltd. Lowestoft, 1920.

Second: Dedicated to Lowestoft Fishermen Fred Spashett.

Third: The Drifter's Bell. Presented by the Lowestoft Steam Herring Drifter Co. Ltd.



ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH, LOWESTOFT.

Fourth: Given by Charlotte Sims in memory of her parents, two brothers and one sister.

Fifth: Trawlers Bell. Subscribed by the trade.

Sixth: The Gallant Dead 1914-1918.

Seventh: This bell is dedicated to the memory of Skipper Thomas Crisp, V.C., of the trawler Nelson who gave his life for his country August 15th, 1917.

Tenor: John and Sarah Breach. Given in loving memory by their sons and daughters. Dedicated by the Very Rev. the Dean of Norwich (Dean Willink) St. Margaret's Day July 20 1920 and first rung by the Norwich Bellringers Association August 5 1920. Evan Morgan, M.A., Rector, H. W. Bevan, C. W. Dance, Junior, Churchwardens.

The octave was installed at a cost of £1,600 by Messrs Taylors, of Loughborough. Mr. Thomas Sergeant was instrumental in raising the public subscription for the bells, and the ringers' screen, placed in the tower arch by his widow, is dedicated to his memory.

A large crowd attended the dedication ceremony, and present on that occasion were the combined choirs of St. Margaret's, St. Peter's and St. Andrew's, together with a company of the Diocesan Association ringers from Norwich who stood by their ropes. After the actual dedication . . . Prayers followed with a special reference to the message of the bells, and the sweet strains of a joyous peal rang out—St. Margaret's bells, the bells of Lowestoft Town heartening all who heard them for the first time.

The bells were rung to 42 changes of Grandsire Triples by Charles Borrett (conductor), Frederick Knights, Frederick R. Borrett, George H. Cross, Albert Rough, John Oldham, Frederick H. Knights and Arthur L. Coleman. At the conclusion of the service 288 changes of Kent Treble Bob Major and a touch of Bob Major were rung and the bells were lowered in peal.

A great many peals have been rung at St. Margaret's Church, 83 of which were recorded to the end of 1958 by the late Ringing Master, Mr. Albert Coleman. Other peals have materialised since that year and the total number may well exceed 100.

After the untimely death of Mr. Coleman at the beginning of 1963, Mr. Andrew E. Crowe was elected Ringing Master, and this gentleman is at present engaged training young people to ring the bells. Although finding it difficult to attract youngsters to the art, Mr. Crowe displays great hopes. One of the original band survives; he is Mr. Richard H. Coates, who regularly rings at Lowestoft. It is satisfying to the local team that the late Master's daughter — Margaret Coleman — is learning to ring, thus following the interest of her father.

Some ringers may recall that the band of the early twenties were trained by the late Mr. R. T. Woodley and a Mr. Friend, the former a member of the College Youths.

Mr. Crowe is appreciative of the help given by ringers who rang at Lowestoft in the latter part of the 1950's. They are Mr. and Mrs. Edwin T. Chapman, who now live at Lincoln. Another ringer who gave valuable help is Mr. Harvey Meadows, who now resides at Wisbech.

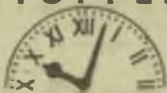
Thomas Crisp, V.C., to whom the seventh bell is dedicated, was the skipper on an armed smack. While employed at its duties on August 15th, 1917, the ship was surprised by a German submarine, which fired a number of shells. The Lowestoft crew retaliated, but a German projectile pierced the bow below the waterline. Another shell was aimed at the 'Nelson', and this passed through the skipper and through the deck of the ship. With only five rounds left, Crisp, mortally wounded, ordered a message to be sent off for assistance, then told his son to throw all books overboard and abandon the sinking vessel. His crew made to lift him into the boat, but the skipper said, 'Tom, I am done for; throw me overboard.' His injuries were so terrible it was impossible to move him, so they left him on the deck of his ship, and 15 minutes later, as evening fell, the 'Nelson' went down, and with her a very gallant gentleman.

### OBITUARY

MR. FRANK METHAM

After a long illness, we regret to hear of the death of Mr. Frank Metham, of St. Giles', Lincoln, who died on February 19th. When the bells were installed at St. Giles' Church in 1938, Frank, with his wife and daughter, learnt to ring with the newly formed band. He rang in the first peal in the tower in 1940. He was a regular ringer and very good helper in all things connected with ringing at St. Giles' until ill-health prevented him. Our sympathy goes to his widow and daughter. May he rest in peace. J. L. M.

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## HALF PEAL

**ASHTON, LANCS.**—On Feb. 15th, at the Church of St. Peter, 2,528 Plain Bob Major: D. Chadderton 1, Joyce Grainger 2, Wendy Lee 3, Margaret Wright 4, J. Brannan 5, D. Mottershead 6, J. Robinson 7, D. Ashton 8. First 'half' by 2 and 3.

**APSLEY END, HERTS.**—On Feb. 21st, 1,440 Minor (Single Oxford and Plain Bob): K. Sheppard (first quarter) 1, E. Upton 2, W. Ayre (cond.) 3, A. V. Good 4, G. Rees 5, R. Sheppard 6. For Confirmation by the Bishop of St. Albans.

**ASHCOTT, SOMERSET.**—On Feb. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Dean (first of Doubles) 1, Janice Haggitt 2, Joy Baag (first away from treble) 3, Angela French (first 'inside') 4, K. Prime (cond.) 5, K. Cavill 6. A 21st birthday compliment to Freda Prime, a local ringer.

**BILSTON, STAFFS.**—On Feb. 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: R. Dorrington (first quarter) 1, J. Wilkinson 2, J. Wellings (first 'inside') 3, R. M. Hodister (cond.) 4, P. G. K. Davies 5, M. McEvoy 6. First quarter by an all-local band.

**CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.**—On Feb. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: T. Wellen 1, J. H. Payton (cond.) 2, Miss E. Meadows (first 'inside') 3, M. D. Fuller 4, J. F. Payne 5, R. Meadows 6.

**CLITHEROE, LANCS.**—On Feb. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Elaine Crabtree 1, Susan Rowan 2, P. Norman 3, Shirley Washbrook 4, W. Wilkinson 5, F. Price (cond.) 6. For Confirmation service.

**ENFIELD, MIDD.**—At the Church of St. Andrew, on Feb. 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss M. Thompson 1, Miss A. Luxon 3, Miss M. Twigg 4, H. Howson 5, D. J. Duggan 6, J. D. Duggan (cond.) 7, D. Reeves (cover) 8. Also on Feb. 17th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: Miss A. Luxon 1, D. J. Duggan 2, Miss M. Twigg 3, J. D. Duggan 4, H. Howson 5, D. Reeves 6, R. Wood 7, M. V. White (cond.) 8. First of Major 1, 2, 3 and 6.

**EXETER, DEVON.**—At the Cathedral, on Feb. 9th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: N. Mallett 1, Miss A. Fellows 2, Miss J. Smith 3, M. F. Lock 4, D. Wills 5, C. Reeves 6, F. Wreford (cond.) 7, G. Skinner 8, W. J. Harvey 9, J. A. D. Woolford and R. Buhear (aged 121) 10. For Evensong, and in honour of the marriage of Flt./Lt. T. V. Spencer and Miss F. R. Babington, daughter of the Ven. Archdeacon of Exeter.

## QUARTER PEALS

**FROME, SOMERSET.**—On Feb. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Frances M. Massey 1, W. H. Mills 2, B. A. Payne 3, D. G. Massey 4, P. Bray 5, A. Payne 6, G. W. Massey (cond.) 7, H. Vennell 8. For Evensong.

**FULHAM, LONDON.**—At All Saints' Church, on Jan. 5th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss M. E. Powell 1, J. E. Reed (first of Stedman) 2, J. A. Hales 3, C. W. Otley 4, M. J. Uphill 5, J. Hales 6, C. M. Meyer (cond.) 7, J. A. G. Harvey 8. For the Epiphany service of lessons and carols.

**GREAT HALE, Lincs.**—On Feb. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Daphne P. Brown 1, June Bird 2, Patricia Rooney 3, A. Bird 4, E. A. Cole (cond.) 5, G. T. Brown 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. Arthur Dixon, of Heckington.

**GUISELEY, YORKS.**—On Feb. 14th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: D. Burdiss (first quarter) 1, M. Gill 2, W. E. Cooper 3, B. Haigh 4, B. Sullivan 5, H. B. Schofield 6, J. P. Cooper 7, A. Wear (cond.) 8.

**HASTINGS, SUSSEX.**—On Feb. 16th, at Christ Church, Blacklands, 1,260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles (6, 4, 8 cover): Mrs. J. Downing 1, Miss M. Chapman 2, J. Downing 3, Miss J. Shepherd 4, E. F. P. Bryant 5, G. Standen 6, A. Jackson (cond.) 7, B. Skinner 8. To welcome the new incumbent, the Rev. T. H. Walters, and his family.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTINGHAM.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Marsh and D. Barker 1, R. Marsh 2, J. Dowse 3, R. Blackshaw 4, J. Heaps 5, M. W. Harrison (cond.) 6. For Evensong. A birthday compliment to Roger Barker. Also on Feb. 16th, 1,260 Bob Doubles: M. W. Harrison 1, R. Marsh 2, J. Dowse 3, R. Blackshaw (cond.) 4, J. Heaps 5. A welcome to the Rev. R. D. Seager at Evensong.

**IDLE, BRADFORD, YORKS.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: Joyce L. Keighley (first quarter) 1, D. P. Mayhew (first 'inside') 2, F. S. Wilkinson 3, T. Hill 4, J. D. Barrow 5, D. H. Robertshaw (cond.) 6. For evening service.

**MOORLINCH, SOMERSET.**—On Feb. 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. Duckham 1, Freda Prime 2, C. Clark (cond.) 3, K. Prime 4, G. Burge 5, C. Horniman (first quarter) 6.

**RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. House 1, P. King 2, Mrs. D. Belcham 3, F. May 4, W. Ward 5, D. Belcham 6, M. Hallett (cond.) 7, R. Tomlin 8. For Evensong. Also on Feb. 15th, 1,260 St. Clement's Triples: H. King 1, R. Tomlin 2, A. House 3, F. May 4, E. Blower 5, G. Blower 6, M. Hallett (cond.) 7, W. Ward 8. For Evensong.

**SALEHURST, SUSSEX.**—On Feb. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Valerie Mepham 1, Judy Bowan 2, T. W. Edwards 3, A. Smith 4, A. Jackson 5, I. V. J. Smith (cond.) 6. Rung on the back six for the 175th anniversary of the birth of Samuel Thurstan.

**SEND, SURREY.**—On Feb. 22nd, 1,320 York Surprise Minor: Diana Gough 1, Pamela Gough 2, Valerie Mepham 3, A. S. Bishop (cond.) 4, Elizabeth Stevinson 5, D. M. Hughes 6.

**STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.**—On Feb. 11th, at the Church of St. Mary, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: F. Dodds 1, Wendy Lee 2, Janet Heys 3, G. W. Mitchell 4, Joyce Grainger 5, J. Robinson (cond.) 6. First quarter 2, 3 and 5. By the local band.

**STREITON GRANDISON, HEREFORDS.**—On Feb. 12th, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): C. Biggs 1, J. Ranford 2, L. Walters 3, W. Cale 4, J. Ward (cond.) 5, J. Cale 6. Rung for morning service, and also with compliments of the band to L. Walters, Ringing Master, and J. Ranford, Assistant Ringing Master, who were elected the previous day.

**STURMINSTER NEWTON, DORSET.**—On Feb. 22nd, 1,272 Kent Treble Bob Minor: W. Shute (cond.) 1, J. Ralph 2, Ben Ridout 3, Bob Ridout 4, E. Chant 5, Bert Ridout 6. Rung to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the North Dorset Branch of the S.D.G. (founded at Sturminster Newton on February 24th, 1924).

**TROWBRIDGE, WILTS.**—On Feb. 19th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Miss C. Roberts 1, Mrs. F. Penn 2, G. Harding (cond.) 3, N. Spencer 4, R. Quartley 5, C. Quartley 6, R. Lucas 7, T. Holloway 8, F. Penn 9, G. Davis 10. First quarter 1, 4, 5, 6 and 10.

**YORKTOWN, SURREY.**—On Feb. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Bath 1, R. Clist 2, Sylvia Tate-Mitchell 3, Gwendolen Marshall 4, P. Sherwood 5, P. Joyce 6, T. Page (cond.) 7, E. Hunt 8.

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The ladies of the Univer-  
sity of London Society have  
something to be proud of—  
the ringing of a peal of Yorkshire Surprise  
Major on February 15th at Tottenham. We  
hope that at the dinner which followed due  
honour was given to the occasion.

Miss M. Branch, of Fern Bank, Bungay  
Road, Halesworth, is the new secretary of  
the N.E. District, Suffolk Guild.

Miss Gillian Graney (Aberystwyth) is the  
first lady to become Master of the University  
of Wales Society. Her home is at Hemel  
Hempstead.

Mr. Alan F. Lee, of Twerton, Bath, has  
shepherded four of his 13-year-old learners  
through their first peal. He tells us that he  
has three more coming along and hopes to  
include them in a quarter soon.

A quote from the Rev. R. S. Brown, Rec-  
tor of Berkhamsted, speaking at the annual  
dinner of the Western District of the Hert-  
ford County Association: 'Bells are the glory  
of the Church of England.'

Miss Monica E. Collins has accepted a new  
appointment at Adelaide as a children's wel-  
fare officer. Before leaving Melbourne two  
unsuccessful attempts for a farewell quarter of  
Kent Treble Bob Minor failed. The first was  
lost when her rope broke ten minutes from  
the end. Perhaps amends will be made at  
Adelaide with a welcome peal or quarter.  
Monica was due to start her new job on March  
2nd, and the following week-end two Sydney  
ringers are paying a fraternal visit.

In the quarter peal of Kent Treble Bob  
Minor rung at Sturminster Newton on Feb.  
22nd to commemorate the 40th anniversary  
of the North Dorset Branch of the S.D.G.R.  
the ringers of 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 were founda-  
tion members of the Branch, having formerly  
belonged to the Wimborne Branch, which,  
up to February 24th, 1924, covered the whole  
of East and North Dorset. Mr. W. Shute,  
the conductor, also a former member of the  
Wimborne Branch, returned to the county in  
1925 (after spending some years in Essex) and  
has from that time been senior Ringing Mas-  
ter of the North Dorset Branch.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

The peal at St. Andrew's  
Church, South Stoke, Oxford-  
shire, was rung, states the  
footnote, 'to mark the victory of Oxford  
United football team over Blackburn Rovers  
in the fifth round of the F.A. Cup.' The last  
football team to be so honoured was Aston  
Villa.

Mr. George E. Symonds writes to correct his  
peal total in the issue of February 14th. It  
is 456, including 36 on handbells, conducted  
254.

At the dinner of the Society of Royal Cum-  
berlands (see page 106) Mr. G. Paul, of  
Lincoln, who is single, was accompanied by  
his mother.

We are very sorry to miss from our peal  
columns Mr. Ron Noon, of Spalding, who  
for the past seven weeks has been laid up  
with a broken ankle.

Mr. E. V. Rodenhurst has rung 136 peals  
of Triples, and not 36, as given on page 142.  
A creditable record of 700 peals deserves  
accuracy.

One enthusiast, Mr. E. J. Evans, of Bicester,  
not only records the towers he has visited but  
the number of times he has rung in each  
tower. His tower total of 45 will shortly be  
augmented by the purchase of a car.

The Misses Lynn Taylor, Peggy M. Butcher  
and Betty M. Butler, ringing their first peal  
at Danehill, Sussex, are congratulated by the  
conductor (Mr. Frank H. Hicks) on the way  
they struck their bells, which helped to make  
a really first-class peal.

The quarter peal rung at Milverton on Feb-  
ruary 18th was also rung to the memory of  
W. G. Gigg, who died on February 18th,  
1962, by friends who still cherish his memory  
in the Taunton Branch. It was the first quar-  
ter since the bells were rehung.

Beverley and District Ringing Society have  
for the first time presented their annual report  
in booklet form—and very attractive it is,  
with a cover containing drawings of Beverley  
Minster, Patrington and Bridlington towers.  
The 40-page report includes reports from  
towers as well as a record of performances.  
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Miss Joan Gray for a fine piece of work.

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On Thurs., Feb. 6, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 19 cwt. 1 lb. in D flat.

DAVID W. FRIEND .. .. Treble	GORDON A. HALLS .. .. 6
HAROLD TAYLOR .. .. 2	GEORGE CLIFT .. .. 7
JOSEPH C. WOOLLEY .. .. 3	DOUGLAS DERBYSHIRE .. .. 8
SAMPSON WALKLATE .. .. 4	MICHAEL R. BLORE .. .. 9
JOHN STENNITT .. .. 5	JOHN MORTON .. .. Tenor

Composed by EDGAR C. SHEPHERD. Conducted by GORDON A. HALLS.  
Rung by the Sunday service band to mark the 201st anniversary of the first peal on the bells.

NEWCASTLE-UNDER-LYME, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.

## A PEAL OF 5000 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 10 lb.

WILLIAM H. PICKETT .. Treble	†GEOFFREY C. BEECH .. 6
*T. LESLIE WALLEY .. 2	CHARLES S. RYLES .. 7
G. ARNOLD MOORE .. 3	*DAVID J. MIDGLEY .. 8
ALAN D. STEELE .. 4	BARNABAS G. KEY .. 9
†RAYMOND J. BALLARD .. 5	HOWARD HOWELL .. Tenor

Composed by E. C. GOBEY. Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.  
\* First peal on ten, and in the method. † First of T.B. Royal.  
A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Moore on their silver wedding anniversary.

## EWERBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

## A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 15 cwt. 23 lb. in D.

*ANNE BATESON .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. 6
*JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. 2	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. 7
*DELIA SMITH .. .. 3	JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. 8
NORAH M. RANGLES .. 4	PETER A. SHARP .. .. 9
GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. 5	A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL .. Tenor

Composed by C. K. LEWIS. Conducted by GEOFFREY PAUL.  
\* First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Royal. First of Royal as conductor.

## SOLIHULL, WARWICKSHIRE.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALPHEGE.

## A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 21 cwt. 39 lb. in E flat.

NO. 3 version.	
HENRY H. FEARN .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 6
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 2	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. 7
CHARLES A. S. WEBB .. 3	FREDERICK ROSS .. .. 8
GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 4	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. 9
DAVID J. PURNELL .. .. 5	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

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

## BIRMINGHAM.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thurs., Feb. 20, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP.

## A PEAL OF 5040 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

DAVID J. PURNELL .. .. Treble	EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. 6
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 2	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. 7
RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 3	CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. 8
GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 4	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. 9
MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. 5	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

## ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSN. &amp; N. SOUTHWARK DIO. GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SYON COURT BOB ROYAL

Tenor 16½ cwt.

PATRICIA ROGERS .. .. Treble	MICHAEL HATCHETT .. .. 6
PETER N. FELTON .. .. 2	GEOFFREY K. DODD .. .. 7
MRS. OLIVE L. ROGERS .. 3	HAROLD W. ROGERS .. .. 8
REGINALD W. REX .. .. 4	WILFRID G. WILSON .. .. 9
ROBIN J. TREBILCOCK .. 5	ALAN R. PINK .. .. Tenor

Composed by NOLAN GOLDEN. Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.  
First peal in the method.

## SYON COURT BOB ROYAL

x 10 x 10 x 18 x 70 x 90

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## LONG SUTTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Jan. 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5184 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 lb. in F.

*†ROGER D. BAILEY .. .. Treble	*†KEITH R. DAYEV .. .. 5
†DENIS WOODS .. .. 2	†RAYMOND H. DAW .. .. 6
†DEREK J. JONES .. .. 3	CYRIL R. BURRELL .. .. 7
JOHN E. ALLEN .. .. 4	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. A. BARNETT. Conducted by BRIAN HARRIS.  
\* 50th peal together. † First in the method.  
Rung to mark the birth of a daughter (Hilary Clare) to Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Chapman, of Spalding.

## EDENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Jan. 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

## A PEAL OF 5056 MEVAGISSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnston's variation.	Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in F sharp.
DEREK J. JONES .. .. Treble	GEORGE W. MASSEY .. .. 5
ROGER D. BAILEY .. .. 2	RAYMOND H. DAW .. .. 6
DENIS WOODS .. .. 3	*CYRIL R. BURRELL .. .. 7
JOHN E. ALLEN .. .. 4	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN HARRIS.

\* 60th Surprise method rung to a peal. First in the method.

## PETWORTH, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5120 EALING SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 9 lb. in E.

LEONARD STILWELL .. .. Treble	*RONALD F. DISERENS .. 5
*PATRICIA DISERENS .. 2	DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 6
E. JANE SIBSON .. .. 3	*GEORGE FRANCIS .. .. 7
EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. .. 4	*W. LESLIE WELLER .. .. Tenor

Composed by R. F. B. SPEED. Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.  
\* First peal in the method.

## WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Jan. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5088 OSTERLEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

ANTHONY G. TYERS .. .. Treble	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 5
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 2	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 6
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 3	JOHN HILL .. .. 7
ALICK CUTLER .. .. 4	THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.  
The ringer of the second has now rung peals in 100 different Surprise Major methods. First peal in the method.

## SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Feb. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE.

## A PEAL OF 5088 HOOLE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 9 lb. in F.

BERNARD B. TYRRELL .. Treble	ROGER D. BAILEY .. .. 5
*DEREK J. JONES .. .. 2	EDWIN T. CHAPMAN .. .. 6
RAYMOND H. DAW .. .. 3	CYRIL R. BURRELL .. .. 7
DENIS WOODS .. .. 4	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by BRIAN HARRIS.  
\* 25th peal. First in the method.

## SUTTERTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Feb. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5056 EALING SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt.

EDWIN T. CHAPMAN .. Treble	GEORGE W. MASSEY .. .. 5
*DEREK J. JONES .. .. 2	*RAYMOND H. DAW .. .. 6
*ROGER D. BAILEY .. .. 3	CYRIL R. BURRELL .. .. 7
*DENIS WOODS .. .. 4	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX. Conducted by BRIAN HARRIS.  
\* First peal in the method.

## MEVAGISSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

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L.e. 15738264.

## OSTERLEY SURPRISE MAJOR

36—56.4.58—58.16—14—5.14—34.7  
2nds place L.E. 17856342. 4ths place bobs.

## HOOLE SURPRISE MAJOR

x 34 x 1458 x 12 x 16 x 34 x 38.14 x 14.58  
L.E. 14263857.



## LEICESTER

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-DE-CASTRO,

## A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15½ cwt. in E.

GEORGE P. HAMMOND .. Treble	DEREK P. JONES .. .. 5
JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. 2	*ROBERT E. HARDY .. .. 6
J. BARRY PICKUP .. .. 3	WILLIAM A. LACEY .. .. 7
DAVID J. ALLEN .. .. 4	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH.

Conducted by WILLIAM A. LACEY.

\* First peal in the method.

## PARBOLD, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

AT CHRIST CHURCH, DOUGLAS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. 24 lb. in F sharp.

TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. Treble	*MALCOLM PHILLIPS .. .. 5
RICHARD STARKIE .. .. 2	V. DAVID JENNER .. .. 6
VICTOR DRAPER .. .. 3	FREDERICK PEARSON .. .. 7
GEOFFREY FOX .. .. 4	JOHN H. FIELDEN .. Tenor

Composed by S. H. WOOD.

Conducted by TUDOR P. EDWARDS.

\* First peal on eight bells.

## PENN. STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

## A PEAL OF 5056 LITTLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 12 lb. in A.

*CYNTHIA M. FOLLIS .. Treble	EDMUND MALIN .. .. 5
D. KAY MOORE .. .. 2	MAURICE G. INGRAM .. .. 6
MARILYN C. SMITH .. .. 3	†CLIVE M. SMITH .. .. 7
LUCY SMITH .. .. 4	JOHN H. ALLEN .. Tenor

Composed by NOLAN GOLDEN.

Conducted by JOHN H. ALLEN.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First in the method 'inside.' First of Major as conductor. First in the method by all the band except the ringer of the seventh, and on the bells.

## SHERFIELD ENGLISH, HAMPSHIRE.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD.

## A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 9½ cwt.

FRANK W. LEWIS .. Treble	ARTHUR SAYERS .. .. 5
*EUNICE A. LEWIS .. .. 2	JOHN H. NAPPER .. .. 6
FELICITY T. WEBBER .. .. 3	FRANK C. W. KNIGHT .. .. 7
REGINALD W. REX .. .. 4	GEOFFREY K. DODD .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.

\* First peal of Double Norwich.

Rung to welcome the birth of a son (Brian) to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Diserens, of St. Mary's, Reading, with the best wishes of the band.

## TOTTENHAM, MIDDLESEX.

## THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANN, STAMFORD HILL.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in A.

MARILYN M. BARTON .. Treble	SHELAGH R. COLLINS .. .. 5
YVONNE EDWARDS .. .. 2	MARY S. TAYLOR .. .. 6
C. GAY WILLIAMS .. .. 3	E. JANE SIBSON .. .. 7
PAULINE FENNEL .. .. 4	DIANA M. LAWLESS .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PISTOW.

Conducted by DIANA M. LAWLESS.

First peal of Surprise as conductor. First of Surprise for the Society by a ladies' band.

## WEST WYCOMBE, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

FRANCES PROCTOR .. Treble	GEOFFREY RIGLAR .. .. 5
NOEL R. WAITE .. .. 2	SYDNEY M. BAILEY .. .. 6
JENNIFER SCENEY .. .. 3	CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. .. 7
WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. .. 4	HOWARD OGLESBY .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. BURTON.

Conducted by HOWARD OGLESBY.

## HALEWOOD, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Feb. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb. in G.

TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. Treble	V. DAVID JENNER .. .. 5
*HAZEL A. ARROWSMITH .. 2	†CHRISTOPHER K. COOPER .. 6
*RICHARD STARKIE .. .. 3	JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. 7
*GEOFFREY FOX .. .. 4	*MALCOLM PHILLIPS .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by JOHN H. FIELDEN.

\* First peal of Stedman. † First of Stedman Triples.

## FRITTENDEN, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Feb. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF 5024 ROTHERFIELD SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in F sharp.

REGINALD E. LAMBERT .. Treble	*CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. 5
ROBERT T. LAMBERT .. .. 2	*CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 6
*MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 3	*BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. .. 7
THOMAS E. SONE .. .. 4	*TREVOR A. CROSS .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.

\* First peal in the method. First in the method for the Association.

## ARUNDEL, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13½ cwt.

LEONARD STILWELL .. Treble	*HENRY C. WEAVER .. .. 5
PATRICIA DISERENS .. .. 2	BRIAN J. LUFF .. .. 6
EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. .. 3	RONALD F. DISERENS .. .. 7
*ROBERT WAKE .. .. 4	*RAYMOND P. WOOD .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by RONALD F. DISERENS.

\* First peal in the method. † 200th peal.

## BIDDENDEN, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22½ cwt. in D.

THOMAS E. SONE .. Treble	†DAVID S. OSENTON .. .. 5
ROBERT T. LAMBERT .. .. 2	CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. 6
*CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. .. 7
REGINALD E. LAMBERT .. .. 4	MARTIN L. HOWE .. Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN. Conducted by CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON.

\* 50th peal. † First in the method. First of Surprise as conductor.

## BIRSTALL, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF 5088 WATFORD SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in E flat.

MICHAEL R. MEADOWS .. Treble	DONALD H. NIBLETT .. .. 5
JEANNE E. BOTTOMLEY .. .. 2	GORDON BENFIELD .. .. 6
JOHN S. SEAGER .. .. 3	VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. .. 7
JEFFREY KERSHAW .. .. 4	RICHARD E. PRICE .. Tenor

Composed by W. E. CRITCHLEY. Conducted by RICHARD E. PRICE.

## CANNOCK, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE.

## A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 11 lb. in F.

*CYRIL GRIFFITHS .. Treble	*DAVID J. WILKES .. .. 5
*PETER J. BARKER .. .. 2	MAURICE G. TURNER .. .. 6
†E. MARION KEY .. .. 3	JAMES S. EASTWOOD .. .. 7
BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. 4	HOWARD HOWELL .. Tenor

Composed by J. NICHOLLS. Conducted by JAMES S. EASTWOOD.

\* First peal in the method. † First in the method 'inside.'

A 70th birthday compliment to the conductor.

## DAVENTRY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS,

## A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.

PATRICK I. CHAPMAN .. Treble	ALAN A. PAUL .. .. 5
STANLEY F. WEBB .. .. 2	HUGH M. JOHNSON .. .. 6
*GEOFFREY THOMPSON .. .. 3	MICHAEL R. BENNETT .. .. 7
GRAHAM C. PAUL .. .. 4	†JOHN E. GODDARD .. Tenor

Composed by DAVID J. MARSHALL.

Conducted by GRAHAM C. PAUL.

\* First peal. † First of Major.



### HOLLESLEY, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

#### A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 11 lb. in F.

ALAN M. BARBER .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY PEARSON .. .. 5
ROBERT E. LESTER .. .. 2	DONALD F. MURFET .. .. 6
NEVILLE F. WHITFIELD .. .. 3	KENNETH J. HESKETH .. .. 7
C. MARTIN PRESS .. .. 4	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by GEORGE E. THODAY.

### LYME REGIS, DORSET.

#### THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL-THE-ARCHANGEL.

#### A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

WILLIAM J. HARVEY .. .. Treble	MARTIN F. LOCK .. .. 5
JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD .. .. 2	FREDERICK WREFFORD .. .. 6
JEAN F. BARNETT .. .. 3	HARRY G. KEELEY .. .. 7
ANN FELLOWS .. .. 4	NORMAN MALLETT .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by NORMAN MALLETT.

### NORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

#### THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EGWIN.

#### A PEAL OF 5024 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

*IAN LLOYD .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. .. 5
*WALTER H. RAXTER .. .. 2	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. .. 6
MICHAEL C. SELBY .. .. 3	GERALD C. HEMMING .. .. 7
*ARTHUR C. BERRY .. .. 4	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES TOPP. Conducted by GERALD C. HEMMING.

\* First peal of Lincolnshire.

### PETERSFIELD, HAMPSHIRE.

#### THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 16½ cwt. in F.

KEITH SANSOM .. .. Treble	JOHN F. M. MAYBREY .. .. 5
KENNETH G. WALLER .. .. 2	HARRY W. GAUNTLETT .. .. 6
*MARY E. WHITE .. .. 3	CHARLES E. BASSETT .. .. 7
KENNETH A. TIPPER .. .. 4	RAMON A. STONE .. .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY HUBBARD. Conducted by CHARLES E. BASSETT.

\* First peal of Bob Triples.

A compliment to Mr. R. Corke (District Ringing Master) and Mrs. Corke on the birth of a son (Timothy Rex).

### PONTEFRAC, YORKSHIRE.

#### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

#### A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in F sharp.

DAVID SMITH .. .. Treble	*DAVID ATKINS .. .. 5
*KENNETH B. SISSONS .. .. 2	*ALAN SHEPPARD .. .. 6
*JOHN POTIS .. .. 3	J. MARTIN THORLEY .. .. 7
*MRS. DAVID SMITH .. .. 4	J. HENRY FIELDEN .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. BARTON. Conducted by J. HENRY FIELDEN.

\* First peal in the method.

### SALFORD PRIORS, WARWICKSHIRE.

#### THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW.

#### A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 14 lb. in F sharp.

IAN LLOYD .. .. Treble	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. 5
MICHAEL G. SELBY .. .. 2	GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. .. 6
ARTHUR C. BERRY .. .. 3	GERALD C. HEMMING .. .. 7
WALTER H. RAXTER .. .. 4	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by GERALD C. HEMMING.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

### SEALE, SURREY.

#### THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

On Thurs., Jan. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents in ten methods, viz.: (1) London and Wells, (2) Bourne, (3) York and Durham, (4) Beverley, Surfleet, York and Durham; (5) Cambridge, Beverley and Surfleet; (6) Cambridge and Ipswich, (7) Netherseale; with 78 changes of method. Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb.

E. JANE SIBSON .. .. Treble	*TOM PAGE .. .. 4
*STANLEY G. PONTING .. .. 2	DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 5
*PETER J. JOYCE .. .. 3	*ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

\* First peal in ten Surprise Minor methods. First in ten Surprise Minor methods for the Guild.

### LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Jan. 31, 1964, in 1 Hour and 57 Minutes.

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 71 methods: 42 extents with 4 obs.: (1) Reverse Bob, (2) Stedman, (3) St. Mark and St. Matthew, (4) St. Silvester and St. George, (5) St. Simon's and Slapton Slow Course Bob, St. Martin's and Thornborough Slow Course Bob; (6) St. Nicholas' and Slapton Slow Course Bob, Winchendon and Thornborough Slow Course Bob; (7) St. Simon's and Braywood Bob, St. Martin's and Welford Bob; (8) St. Nicholas' and Fundenhall Bob, Winchendon and Haddiscoe Bob; (9) Grandsire and Newborough, (10) St. Bartholomew and Northrepps, (11) A and B, (12) St. Matthias and St. Philip, (13) Morning Star, St. Guthlac and C; (14) Plain Bob and Southrepps, (15) Kennington, (16) Old Bob, (17) Besthorpe, (18) April Day, Seighford and D; (19) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, (20) St. Columb, (21) Costessy, (22) Clifford's Pleasure Bob, Little Aston and St. David; (23) St. Polycarp, E and F; (24) St. Bede, St. Perpetua G; (25) St. Simon's and St. Martin's, (26) St. Albans, (27) Cassington, (28) Shropham, (29) Eynsham, Elford and St. Jude; (30) St. Paul, (31) St. Peter, (32) Mileham, (33) St. Leonard, Shreshill and St. Laurence; (34) St. Giles and St. Miles, (35) St. Nicholas, (36) St. Thomas, (37) Norwich, (38) St. Andrew, Ausrey and St. Mary; (39) Winchendon, (40) St. Luke, (41) Walsingham, (42) St. John, Ryton and St. Crispin.

REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. Treble	RUPERT A. CLARKE .. .. 4
MAURICE A. KIRK .. .. 2	DAVID F. MOORE .. .. 5
DAN S. PONT .. .. 3	ROSEMARY TAILBY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID F. MOORE.

Most methods for all the band.

A is plain lead of All Saints with P.L. of Plain Bob as Bob.

B is P.L. of All Saints with P.L. of Canterbury as Bob.

C is P.L. of All Saints with Old Bob as Bob.

D is plain lead of Plain Bob with New Antelope Single as Bob.

E is Grandsire single as P.L. with Grandsire extreme as Bob.

F is All Saints P.L. with Grandsire extreme as Bob.

G is Grandsire single P.L. with London extreme as Bob.

### WATH-ON-DEARNE, YORKSHIRE.

#### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 14 methods, being 360 each of Candlesby, Eynsham, St. Simon's, St. Martin's, Kennington, April Day, Plain Bob, St. Nicholas', Winchendon Place, Southrepps Pleasure, Clifford's Pleasure, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Grandsire.

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

*ELIZABETH CHERRY .. .. Treble	DAVID E. ARCHER .. .. 4
ANDREW KING .. .. 2	MICHAEL R. MEADOWS .. .. 5
M. ALEC BEAUMONT .. .. 3	MICHAEL KING .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL R. MEADOWS.

\* First peal, aged 14 years.

### WORMINGFORD, ESSEX.

#### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In four methods, being two extents Single Court, one Single Oxford and Plain Bob, and four Plain Bob.

*BRIAN VAUGHAN (14) .. Treble	NEIL V. AVIS .. .. 4
*PAUL E. THOMPSON (14) .. 2	*PETER G. PITT .. .. 5
BERNARD W. FAIRHEAD .. 3	FRANK G. OLIVER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BERNARD W. FAIRHEAD.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.'

Rung by the Sunday service band of St. Leonard-at-the-Hythe, Colchester.

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## MILDENHALL, WILTSHIRE.

## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., Feb. 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

Consisting of ten methods, in the following seven extents: (1) Carlisle, Munden and Chester; (2 and 3) London and Wells, (4 and 5) York and Durham, (6) York, Durham, Beverley and Surfleet; (7) Cambridge, Beverley and Surfleet; with 62 changes of method. Tenor 7 cwt, 26 lb.

*RICHARD A. G. INGLIS .. Treble	†REV. ROGER KEELEY .. 4
GORDON W. LAND .. .. 2	VICTOR GRIFFIN .. .. 5
ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. 3	BRIAN BLADON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

\* First peal. † First in ten methods.

## ADDINGTON, SURREY.

## THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.

On Tues., Feb. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-BLESSED VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Single Oxford, St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Cambridge S., Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in B.

*ROBERT E. J. DENNIS .. Treble	ANTHONY H. SMITH .. .. 4
ELIZABETH T. BIRMINGHAM .. 2	†RICHARD O. HUMPHRIES .. 5
DIANA M. LAWLESS .. .. 3	ALAN J. FROST .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN J. FROST.

\* First peal. † First of Minor in seven methods.

## SWITHLAND, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Syston District.)

On Fri., Feb. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being seven variations of Plain Bob, in 42 extents, viz.: Plain Bob, Kennington, April Day, Old Bob, Seighford, Besthorpe and 'A.' Tenor 12½ cwt.

*RICHARD S. MOORE .. Treble	MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. .. 4
DAVID F. MOORE .. .. 2	ROD E. ELLWAY .. .. 5
RAYMOND R. BROWN .. .. 3	RUPERT A. CLARKE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID F. MOORE.

\* First peal.

'A' is plain bob with a New Antelope Single as the Bob.

## HITCHAM, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being ten methods, in the following seven extents: (1) Hitcham Delight, (2) Kent and Oxford T.B., (3) Reverse Canterbury and St. Nicholas', (4) Plain Bob and Double Bob, (5) St. Clement's, (6) Double Oxford, (7) Single Oxford. Tenor 6 cwt. 11 lb. in B flat.

GORDON W. LIMMER .. Treble	JENNIFER SCENEY .. .. 4
CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. 2	NOEL R. WAITE .. .. 5
GEOFFREY RIGLAR .. .. 3	HOWARD OGLESBY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HOWARD OGLESBY.

## HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 27 extents Grandsire and 15 Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

JANE DOWSE .. .. Treble	MARGARET E. CHILTON .. 3
RUTH BLACKSHAW .. .. 2	MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 4
SYDNEY ADAMS .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by SYDNEY ADAMS.

A 21st birthday compliment to David Michael James.

## LOUGHTON, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of Oxford, Kent, St. Clement's and two of Cambridge and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. in A flat.

*NICHOLAS GRAY .. Treble	*KINGSLEY P. WOOTON .. 4
WILLIAM A. YATES .. .. 2	GEORGE W. HOLLAND .. 5
*ANTHONY GRAY .. .. 3	BARRY R. EGLESFIELD .. Tenor

Conducted by BARRY R. EGLESFIELD.

\* First peal. First as conductor.

## SAMPFORD BRETT, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 20 120's of Plain Bob and 22 120's of Grandsire (16 different callings). Tenor 8 cwt.

BERNARD S. C. ARSCOTT .. Treble	CHARLES H. J. ARSCOTT .. 3
MERVYN R. ARSCOTT .. .. 2	LESLIE H. ARSCOTT .. .. 4
RAYMOND F. ARSCOTT .. Tenor	

Conducted by RAYMOND F. ARSCOTT.

First peal on the bells since 1913.

## SAPCOTE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

In 34 methods, viz.: (1) Rossendale, Stamford, Annable's London, Lightfoot, Wearmouth and Netherseale; (2 and 3) Morpeth, Alnwick, Chester, Munden, Newcastle, Carlisle, Northumberland, Sandiacre, Wooler, Whitley and Canterbury; (4) Westminster and Allendale, (5) London, Wells and Cuneastre; (6) Beverley, Berwick, Durham, York, Hexham and Surfleet; (7) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull, Primrose and Bourne; with 122 changes of method. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in A flat.

MRS. M. E. BROWN .. Treble	BRIAN L. BURROWS .. .. 4
LAWRENCE WATKINS .. .. 2	JOHN WATKINS .. .. 5
CHRISTINE J. STRATFORD .. 3	MICHAEL E. BROWN .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

First peal in 34 Surprise methods by all the band, in the county, and for the Guild. Rung by the Sunday service band.

## SHARESHILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 9 cwt. in A.

DAVID R. HAWKSWORTH Treble	†JOSEPH G. RICH .. .. 4
HARRY BUTLER .. .. 2	PHILIP R. JOHNSON .. .. 5
*F. HECTOR BENNETT .. .. 3	‡DAVID J. BATES .. .. Tenor

Conducted by F. HECTOR BENNETT.

\* 250th peal. † First peal attempt. ‡ First of Minor 'inside.'

## BILSTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Wed., Feb. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (four callings). Tenor 11 cwt.

*RICHARD B. DORRINGTON .. Treble	REMI M. HODISTER .. .. 4
JOHN WILKINSON .. .. 2	PHILIP G. K. DAVIES .. .. 5
†JOHN WELLINGS .. .. 3	*MICHAEL W. McEVROY .. Tenor

Conducted by PHILIP G. K. DAVIES.

\* First peal attempt. † First 'inside.' First peal by the regular Sunday service band.

## BARKING, SUFFOLK.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Fri., Feb. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In four methods, being seven extents, viz.: (1 and 2) Kent T.B., (3) Oxford T.B., (4, 6 and 7) Plain Bob, (5) St. Clement's. Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in G.

E. JAMES LOCKWOOD .. Treble	ALICE E. J. LESTER .. .. 4
ROBERT E. LESTER .. .. 2	PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. 5
*MRS. E. J. LOCKWOOD .. 3	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. THODAY.

\* First peal 'inside.'

A birthday compliment to Neville F. Whittell, of Ipswich.

## MISTLEY, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Feb. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being 720 each of London, York, Beverley, Surfleet, Norwich, Ipswich and Cambridge. Tenor 12½ cwt.

MARGARET EGLESTON .. Treble	*NEVILLE F. WHITTELL .. 4
ROGER L. K. WHITTELL .. 2	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 5
*ALFRED E. HONEYWOOD .. 3	HOWARD W. EGLESTONE .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

\* First peal in seven Surprise methods.

## BROUGHTON-IN-FURNESS, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 19 lb. in G.

*M. KATE DENT .. Treble	NICHOLAS M. NEWBY, JUN. 4
†JAMES E. DICKINSON .. 2	HAROLD WILSON .. .. 5
JOHN BAGNALL .. .. 3	†THOMAS F. METCALFE .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS F. METCALFE.

\* First peal of Minor. † 25th peal together.

## CHALFONT ST. GILES, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In two methods, being one extent of Kent T.B. and six of Plain Bob (each called differently). Tenor 11 cwt.

*STEWART F. LILLEY .. Treble	BRIAN EDWARDS .. .. 4
*RONALD SPRAGG .. .. 2	ANTHONY K. FORTH .. .. 5
A. TREVOR HAWKINS .. 3	GILES B. THOMPSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GILES B. THOMPSON.

\* First peal. A birthday compliment to the ringer of the fourth.



## DANEHILL, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 5 lb. in C.  
 \*LYNN TAYLOR ... Treble \*BEITY M. BUTLER ... 4  
 \*PEGGY M. BUTCHER ... 2 †ALLAN J. BUTCHER ... 5  
 DIREK SLATER ... 3 FRANK H. HICKS ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANK H. HICKS.

\* First peal attempt. † First of Minor 'inside.' First of Minor on bells.

## DOWNE, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 lb. in G.  
 JOHN D. FAIRCLOTH ... Treble | MICHAEL G. FOSTER ... 4  
 KATHARINE M. GUY ... 2 | ANDREW M. MACVE ... 5  
 D. PAUL SMITH ... 3 | TONY LEWIS ... Tenor

Conducted by TONY LEWIS.

First peal of Minor as conductor.

## A PEAL OF MINIMUS

## WOODBOROUGH, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 17 Minutes.

At THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHUN,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINIMUS

In four methods, being 100 extents Plain Bob, 50 Reverse Canterbury, 35 St. Nicholas' and 25 Double Bob.

\*H. GEOFF. WELLS ... Treble | C. RAY LARKIN ... 3  
 ROBERT D. MARSH ... 2 | GEORGE A. DAWSON ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE A. DAWSON.

\* First peal attempt. First of Minimus by all. First on the bells, and of Minimus for the Guild.

A compliment to Minnie Pailing and Samuel Foskett on their marriage this day; also a welcome to Tanya Wise, born February 11th.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Feb. 17, 1964, in 1 Hour and 50 Minutes.

At 23, BLENHEIM ROAD,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor size 11 in G.  
 \*BRIAN B. HULLAH ... 1—2 | A. TREVOR HAWKINS ... 3—4  
 GILES B. THOMPSON ... 5—6

Conducted by GILES B. THOMPSON.

\* First peal 'in hand.'

Rung on the 20th anniversary of the proclamation of the National Health Service.

## ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Feb. 19, 1964, in 1 Hour and 36 Minutes.

At 17, QUEEN STREET.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In nine methods, viz.: (1) Single Oxford, (2) Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, (3) Fulbeck, (4) Plain and Double Bob, (5) College Bob, (6) Reverse Bob, (7) St. Clement's Bob. Tenor size 11 in G.

GERALD PENNEY ... 1—2 | GEOFFREY DODDS ... 3—4  
 JOYCE DODDS ... 5—6

Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

First handbell peal in nine methods by all the band.

## BUSHEY HEATH, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Feb. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes.

At 39, TITIAN AVENUE,

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 12 methods, comprising 640 each of Bristol, London, Rutland and Watford, and 320 each of Cambridge, Ealing, Lincolnshire, Lindum, Pudsey, Superlative, Wembley and Yorkshire; with 139 changes of method. Tenor size 15 in C.

\*S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN 1—2 | \*ROGER BALDWIN ... 5—6  
 CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY 3—4 | †JOHN R. MAYNE ... 7—8  
 Composed by STEPHEN IVIN. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of 12-Spliced Surprise Major. † First of 12-Spliced on handbells.

## QUARTER PEALS

BURTON LATIMER, NORTHANTS.—On Feb. 7th, 1,320 St. Clement's Minor: G. Watson 1, Miss S. Staley 2, A. Sellers 3, R. Stretton 4, B. Cope 5, M. Staley (cond.) 6. First quarter in method for all.

CHELFORD, CHESHIRE.—On Jan. 22nd, 1,440 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. F. G. Forrester 1, T. Norbury 2, R. Barratt 3, H. Callwood 4, E. Pimlott (cond.) 5, F. G. Forrester 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. W. Baskerville and Mr. A. C. Hickman. Also on Feb. 2nd, 1,320 Grandsire Doubles: F. G. Forrester 1, T. Norbury 2, R. Forrester 3, R. Barratt 4, E. Pimlott (cond.) 5, D. Harradine 6. For plough service.

EAST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.—On Feb. 16th, 1,264 Little Bob Major: J. H. Griffith 1, Diana J. Butcher 2, C. Jane Smart 3, D. Slater 4, M. P. Howard 5, D. R. Mitchell 6, J. A. Howard 7, F. H. Hicks (cond.) 8. First in method by 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7. First in method as conductor. For Evensong.

FLITTON, BEDS.—On Feb. 10th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Betty Jeeves 1, R. J. Sharp (cond.) 2, T. R. Harris 3, A. Murphy 4, D. Jeeves 5, T. Sharp (first quarter) 6.

HANDSWORTH, WARWICKS.—At St. Mary's Church, on Feb. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: M. Matthews (first quarter) 1, B. D. Sims (cond.) 2, B. C. Wallis (first quarter) 3, M. Hall 4, J. Burt 5, R. Foster (first quarter) 6. For Evensong.

HASTINGS, SUSSEX.—At All Saints' Church, on Feb. 9th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods, with 4, 6 and 8 covering): Verity M. Cohen 1, Mrs. G. Levett 2, Janet M. Oliver 3, Susan H. Gladish 4, S. H. Buckland 5, A. D. Hancock 6, C. A. Levett 7, A. J. Parcell 8. First quarter 1, 3, 4 and 6. For Evensong.

LICHFIELD, STAFFS.—At the Cathedral, on Feb. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. W. Bowen (first on eight) 1, Lucy Smith 2, J. B. Webb 3, B. J. Townsend 4, F. A. Sedgwick 5, C. M. Smith 6, E. Malin (cond.) 7, C. T. Collins (first on eight) 8. For Matins. Also at St. Michael's Church, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: C. W. Bowen 1, L. Monk 2, Lucy Smith 3, C. T. Collins (first 'inside') 4, C. M. Smith (cond.) 5, A. W. Bowler 6. For Evensong.

LISS, HANTS.—On Feb. 16th, 1,279 Doubles (three methods): Rosemarie Walton 1, Lesley Read 2, D. M. Hughes 3, A. W. Bettsworth 4, B. R. Walton (cond.) 5, Patricia Smith 6. For Evensong. Also a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Corke on the birth of a son.

LONDON.—At St. Clement Danes', on Feb. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Miss M. E. Powell 1, Miss S. Smith 2, Mrs. W. Oatway 3, C. A. Hughes 4, M. Hatchett 5, A. M. Stagey 6, J. Ketteringham 7, M. Sprackling 8, W. G. Wilson (cond.) 9, W. Oatway 10. For Matins.

LYMPNE, KENT.—On Feb. 16th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): A. Neilson 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, Myrtle Cook (cond.) 3, H. P. Yates 4, R. P. Brotherton 5, T. C. Uden 6. For Evensong.

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.—On Feb. 11th, 1,296 Plain Bob Caters: G. Henshaw 1, I. Edmunds 2, H. Lomas 3, H. C. Longon (cond.) 4, G. Owen 5, D. Wright 6, M. M. Mottershead 7, G. Earles 8, V. J. Norbury 9, C. Morridge 10. Birthday compliment to ringer of 10.

MIDDLETON STONEY, OXON.—On Feb. 13th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: C. H. Kinch 1, Diana French (first of Surprise) 2, C. C. Clarke 3, L. A. Busby 4, E. G. Jones 5, R. A. Reeves (first of Surprise as cond.) 6.

MILDENHALL, WILTS.—On Feb. 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. H. Green 1, A. Keene 2, R. M. Garratt 3, A. W. Johnson 4, R. Keeley 5, R. A. Inglis (cond.) 6. To mark the first wedding anniversary of the Rev. and Mrs. Roger Keeley.

MILVERTON, SOMERSET.—On Feb. 18th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. H. Tarr 1, Mrs. E. S. Powell 2, J. E. Brewer 3, A. G. Sparkes 4, C. J. Stevens 5, W. J. Nurcombe 6, A. H. Reed (cond.) 7, E. H. Langley 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam the Rev. A. C. Dancaister, former Prebendary of Wells Cathedral and Vicar, whose funeral service took place previously at Ringwood.

OXFORD.—On Jan. 12th, at the Church of St. Ebbe, 1,312 Yorkshire Surprise Major: A. J. Adams 1, C. Coles 2, A. R. Pink (cond.) 3, B. W. Hall 4, P. J. Heritage 5, B. Wakefield 6, D. W. Roaf 7, D. K. Adkins 8. For Evensong.

SHENSTONE, STAFFS.—On Feb. 16th, 1,260 Bob Doubles: Janice MacDonald 1, E. Cran 2, Audrey Birch 3, P. Sheldon (cond.) 4, D. Starkey 5. First quarter by local band since the new bells were installed.

PACKWOOD, WARWICKS.—On Jan. 5th, 1,470 Grandsire Triples: Christine J. Rothera 1, M. C. Hughes 2, P. J. Rothera 3, Pamela M. Turner 4, R. E. Tallis, Snr. 5, R. G. Morris 6, R. E. Tallis, Jnr. (cond.) 7, D. E. Rothera (first quarter) 8. For Evensong. Birthday compliment to ringer of 8. For on Feb. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mary S. Thorling 1, P. J. Rothera 2, K. J. Hesketh 3, R. G. Morris 4, R. E. Tallis, Snr. 5, M. C. Hughes (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also on Feb. 16th, 1,280 Bristol Surprise Major: R. E. Tallis, Jnr. 1, M. C. Hughes 2, D. J. Allen 3, Jennifer M. Cook 4, Susan Funnell 5, P. J. Rothera 6, K. J. Hesketh 7, G. E. Thoday (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.—On Feb. 12th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Miss S. Haskins 1, Miss P. Lansley 2, M. J. Stanley 3, V. Griffin (cond.) 4, Rev. R. G. Bryant 5. For Ash Wednesday Evensong. Also on Feb. 19th, 1,312 Plain Bob Major: D. Carr (first quarter) 1, Miss T. P. Johnson 2, R. Fry 3, Mrs. R. J. Drewitt 4, E. W. Ford 5, R. J. Drewitt 6, V. Griffin 7, A. R. Peake (first of Bob Major as cond.) 8. For the mid-week service.

TILEHURST, BERKS.—On Feb. 16th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss K. Baldwin (first in method) 1, J. Morely 2, D. Drayton 3, D. Everett 4, A. Haines 5, W. Marsh 6, J. Wells (cond.) 7, G. Runham 8. A 21st birthday compliment to Miss K. Baldwin.

WARSOP, NOTTS.—On Feb. 9th, 1,320 Willesden Delight Minor: P. Mellor (first of Treble Bob) 1, F. Cooke 2, H. T. Rooke 3, R. Lucas 4, F. Flint 5, D. H. Rooke (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also on Feb. 16th, 1,320 Newdigate Delight Minor: Miss I. Cooke 1, D. H. Rooke 2, F. Cooke 3, R. Lucas 4, F. Flint 5, H. T. Rooke 6. For Evensong.

WESTHAM, SUSSEX.—On Dec. 23rd, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): W. A. Binstead 1, R. J. Fuller (first as cond. in four methods) 2, A. R. Baldock 3, D. R. Fuller 4, Christine M. Fuller (first in four methods, 25th quarter) 5, L. F. Tapp 6.

WHICKHAM, CO. DURHAM.—On Jan. 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss G. Wardhaugh 1, M. Maughan (cond.) 2, S. Thompson 3, F. Rowe 4, W. Davidson (first of Minor 'inside') 5, J. Crowther 6. Also on Feb. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: S. Thompson, jun., 1, W. Davidson 2, S. Thompson 3, J. Crowther 4, P. J. Perry (first quarter) 5, M. Maughan (cond.) 6. Both for Evensong.



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### DEATH

**BENNETT.**—On February 29th, 1964, at 325 P...te, Spalding, Stanley Edward, beloved husband of Mabel, passed peacefully away. Aged 62 years. 4244

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**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual general committee meeting will be held in the Polehampton Boys' School, Twyford, Berks, on Saturday, March 21st, at 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. H. Smith, Myrtle Cottage, Waltham Road, Twyford, Reading Berks, by Wednesday, March 18th.—M. R. Cross. 4249

**WELLS CATHEDRAL.**—Owing to a crack in the crown of the sixth spreading to the waist of the bell there can be no ringing at the Cathedral until further notice.—G. Salmon. 4221

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### MEETINGS

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ilkeston District.—Meeting at West Hallam, Friday, March 6th, 7.30 p.m.—D. Marshall.

**CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.**—Annual dinner, March 7th. Ringing arrangements: St. Bene's, 2-3 p.m.; St. Andrew-the-Great, 2.45-3.45; Great St. Mary's, 4-5 p.m.—S. C. Walters, Hon. Sec. 4197

**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Warwick Branch.—Meeting at Harbury, Saturday, March 7th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to I. C. Maycock, 109, Heathcote Road, Whitnash, Leamington Spa.

**DEVON GUILD.**—Aylesheare Branch.—Meeting, Withycombe Raleigh, Saturday, March 7th. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to F. Mack, 7, Bapton Lane, Exmouth. 'Tower' at Bapton Lane open 2-3 p.m. and 8-9 p.m. 4194

**ELY ASSOCIATION.**—Ely District.—Meeting, Swavesey, Saturday, March 7th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service at Over 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting at Over Church School. Special methods: Double Court and London Minor. 4198

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—N.E. District.—Meeting at Ardleigh, Saturday, March 7th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names to E. H. Erith, Vines Farm, Ardleigh.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.E. District.—Meeting, Sandon, Saturday, March 7th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Quarterly meeting at Stevenage, March 7th, 4 p.m. Names for tea to W. Lawrence, 97, Letchmore Road, Stevenage. 4183

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Watford District.—Meeting at Aldenham on Saturday, March 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. in Mission Hall. Names for tea, please, to Mr. C. Evans, 20, Watling Street, Radlett, Tel. 5879. 4180

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Shenley on March 7th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. S. Grace, 12, Dovecot Cottages, Shenley Brook End, Bletchley. 4220

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**SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Annual meeting, Rotherham, March 7th. Bells available, Parish Church (10) 3.30 to 5 p.m. and after tea, Whiston (8) 2-3, Eastwood (8) 2.30-3.30 p.m. Tea for those who notify N. Chaddock, 17, Herringthorpe Grove, Rotherham. All welcome.—J. Seager, Hon. Sec.

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Nottingham District.—Meeting, Saturday, March 7th. Lenton. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. F. A. Coney, 139, Lenton Boulevard, Nottingham.—S. Adams. 4211

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—S.E. District.—Meeting at Woodbridge, Saturday, March 7th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to E. G. Pearce, Dis. Sec., 36, St. Andrew's Place, Melton, Woodbridge. 4203

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Practice meeting, March 7th at Colliers Wood. Bells (6) 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea. Evening ringing at Merton (5). Names for tea to Mr. H. Allen, 199, Western Road, S.W.19.—B. Bull. Asst. Sec. 4170

**BARNESLEY & DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Meeting at Eastwood, near Rotherham, on Saturday, March 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Cups of tea provided. Please bring food.—J. W. Buxton, Hon. Sec. 4228

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Crewkerne Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Merriott (6), Saturday, March 14th. Please notify for tea to J. T. Locke, Hon. Sec., School Street, Drayton. 4255

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Dunster Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Exford, March 14th. Names for tea by the 10th, please. Bells 3 p.m.—A. R. Tudball, Hon. Sec. 4254

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Biggleswade District.—Meeting at Arlesey (6), March 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. S.M.: Wells Surprise, Little Bob. Everyone welcome.—M. Major, Dis. Sec. 4246

**BEVERLEY & DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Monthly meeting, Kirk Ella, Saturday, March 14th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday to Mr. D. Johnson, 5, Redland Drive, Kirk Ella, Hull. 4227

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Crews Branch.—Acton, March 14th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by March 11th.—W. Kerr, 107, Moreton Road, Crews. 4259

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chesterfield District.—Monthly meeting at Wingerworth on Saturday, March 14th. Bells (5) from 3-4.30 p.m. North Wingfield (8) from 6-8.30 p.m. Own tea arrangements.—Malcolm Phipps, Dis. Sec. 4262

**EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—Annual meeting on Saturday, March 14th, at Coleman's Hatch. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Ringing at Coleman's Hatch and Withyham (8) from 6.45-9 p.m. Names for tea by March 12th to J. Ryman, Vicarage Cottage, Coleman's Hatch, Hartfield, Sussex. 4193

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Cambridge District.—Meeting at Duxford (6) on Saturday, March 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Whittlesford (6) also available after the meeting.—B. D. Threlfall, Dis. Sec. 4239



**ELY ASSOCIATION.**—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting, Wisbech St. Mary, Saturday, March 14th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 4243

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Meeting at Gestingthorpe, Saturday, March 14th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Striking competition cancelled. Names for tea by March 11th, please, to Mr. P. Wood, 4, Duck End, Finchingfield, Braintree. 4187

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual general meeting of the Guild will be held in Holy Trinity Hall on Saturday, March 14th, preceded by the Guild form of service, conducted by the Rev. D. Bentley, in Holy Trinity Church at 4.30 p.m., and tea in the hall. Please send names in good time of those requiring tea to Mrs. J. May, 15, Rydens Close, Old Woking, Woking (Woking 5236). Ringing arrangements: Stoke-next-Guildford, 3-4.15; St. Mary's, Guildford, 3-4.15; Holy Trinity, Guildford, 3-4.30; St. Nicolas', Guildford, 7 (approx.) to 9 p.m.—D. A. R. May (Master), S. T. A. Russell (Hon. Gen. Sec.). 4202

**HEREFORD GUILD.**—Bromyard District.—Annual meeting, Bromyard, March 14th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names to R. L. Price, 18, New Road, Bromyard, by March 12th, please. 4156

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bridgnorth District.—An evening meeting will be held at Highley (6) on Saturday, March 14th, 6-8 p.m. 4258

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—The March meeting will be held at Northchurch on Saturday, 14th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. R. Ashby, 110, High Street, Northchurch, Herts. No name no tea.—R. Sheppard, Sec. 4264

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—By-meeting, Whitstable on Saturday, March 14th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Tea by invitation at 4.30, in Church Hall. Service at 5.30 p.m. Those who require tea please notify, by Thursday, March 12th. Miss H. Palmer, 37, Clare Road, Whitstable. 4165

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—Quarterly meeting at Headcorn, Saturday, March 14th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. G. W. Grant, 5, Wealden View, Headcorn.—T. A. Cross, Dis. Sec. 4236

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—Annual meeting at Blagdon (8) on Saturday, March 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. Kingcott, The Garage, Wrington, Bristol. 4223

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Furness and Lake District Branch.—Annual meeting, Dalton-in-Furness, Saturday, March 14th. 2.30 p.m. Names to Mr. T. Metcalfe 33, Skelgate, Dalton-in-Furness.—N. M. Newby, 4261

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—Meeting at Leyland St. James', Saturday, March 14th. Names for tea, please, by Wednesday, 11th, to Mr. J. Nelson, 48, Bannister Drive, Leyland. Direct bus from Preston Fox Street 2.13, other buses to Seven Stars.—L. Walmsley, 4251

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—Meeting at Cross Stones, Todmorden, on Saturday, March 14th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Cups of tea in Priestwell School 5 p.m. No business.—J. P. Partington, 4235

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Loughborough District.—Monthly meeting, March 14th, at Whitwick. Bells (8) 3.20 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea at Constitutional Club. Names for tea not required. 4219

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Syston District.—Meeting at Sibley, March 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea and meeting, rochin Hall, 5 p.m. Names for tea to M. White, 97, Swan Street, Sibley, Loughborough, Leics, by Wednesday, March 11th. Methods: Plain Bob Triples and Kent Major.—R. R. Brown, 4256

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—N. and E. District.—Saturday, March 14th. Willenden. Ringing from 4.30 p.m. Service 5.30. Tea 6 p.m. Evening ringing. Bells of St. Andrew's, Kingsbury, available 2.30 to 3.30 p.m.—E. H. Kilby, Hon. Dis. Sec. 4224

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Striking competition at Reepham, Saturday, March 14th, 6.15 p.m. Aylsham bells (10) available 2.30-3.30 p.m. Heydon (6) and Salle (8) from 3-5 p.m. 4231

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Central Bucks Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Nether Winchendon (5), Saturday March 14th. Bells 2.45 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday, March 12th, to F. J. Orchard, Blenheim Cottage, Nether Winchendon, Aylesbury. 4217

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Sonning Deanery Branch.—A combined practice at Waltham St. Lawrence on March 14th at 6 p.m. Special methods: St. Simon's, St. Martin's and Winchendon Doubles.—B. C. Castle, 4248

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Oundle Branch.—Meeting at Oundle, Saturday, March 14th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by March 10th to A. H. Hinton, Police Station, Warrington, Peterborough. 4238

**ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD.**—A quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, March 14th, at 3 p.m. at Llanbadarn Fawr. Names for tea to Mr. G. Harries, 8, Bryn Rheidol, Llanbadarn Fawr, Cards. 4181

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Dorset Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, March 14th. Sturminster Newton. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5.15 p.m. All welcome. Names by Wednesday, March 11th, to Richard Longridge, Okeford Fitzpaine Rectory, Tel. Childe Okeford 311. 4240

**SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting at Oswestry on March 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Ringing until 8 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mr. R. Watkin, 42, Albert Road, Oswestry. 4260

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bingham and Newark District.—Meeting at East Bridgford, Lowdham and Gonalston, March 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. East Bridgford. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to W. L. Exton, 'St. Ouen's', Whetton.—R. Blackshaw, 4206

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Notts District.—Meeting at Ordsall (6), Saturday, March 14th. Bells from 3.15 p.m. Sorry no tea arrangements.—H. Denman, 4245

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—North-West District.—Practice meeting at Hopton (6), Saturday, March 14th. Bells 6.30 to 9 p.m.—A. F. Ballam, 4188

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—Meeting at Overbury, Saturday, March 14th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to W. J. Newman, Manor Farm, Hinton, Evesham, by March 11th. 4195

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Macclesfield Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, March 21st. Gawsorth. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Bring own tea.—H. C. Lanyon, 4247

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Gloucester Branch.—Meeting, Upton St. Leonard's, March 21st. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea before March 17th to A. Crawley, 82, Avon Crescent, Brockworth, Glos. 4237

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northampton Branch.—Meeting at Wootton, Saturday, March 21st. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to B. E. Frost, 40, Foxgrove Avenue, Northampton. 4790

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Salisbury Branch.—March 21st, practice meeting. Chilmark. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names by Tuesday, 17th.—G. A. Trimby, Hon. Sec., 24, West Street, Wilton, 4229

**STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.**—Meeting at Aldridge, Saturday, March 21st. Bells (6) available 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea, please, no later than March 18th to M. T. Mulvey, 110, Whetstone Lane, Aldridge, near Walsall. Staffs.—C. M. S., Hon. Sec. 4233

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (Eastern Division) and **HAWKHURST & DISTRICT GUILD.**—Joint practice meeting at Burwash, March 21st. (Please note date.) Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Further ringing till 8 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Ian V. J. Smith, Sec., 37, Wellington Gardens, Battle, 4250

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting, Dorking, March 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss Clear, 'Murree', Lonsdale Road, Dorking, before March 18th.—G. A. W. 4225

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—Practice meeting at Slinfold will now be on Saturday, March 21st, instead of 14th. Details next week.—R. Wake, Hon. Sec. 4234

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—Quarterly meeting, Huntington, near York, Saturday, March 21st. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. in St. Andrew's Church Hall. Names, please, to Mr. C. J. Groome, 'Sunny Holme', Huntington, York, as early as possible.—H. S. Morley, Hon. Sec. 4230

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—Quarterly meeting at Keighley on Saturday, March 21st. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Practice methods: Double Norwich and Pudsey Surprise. Names for tea (5 p.m.) to Mr. F. Midgley, 17, Worth Avenue, Keighley, by Wednesday, March 18th. Business meeting to follow tea.—R. J. Lumley, Hon. Dis. Sec. 4232

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Easter Monday, March 30th, annual general meeting at Tenterden. Service 12 noon. Applications not later than March 24th first post for luncheon tickets (9s. 6d. each, children of resident members under 14 3s. each, cash with order, please), agenda, details of ringing times at 10 towers to Mr. B. W. May, 'Keithston', Keycol Hill, Bobbing, Sittingbourne, Kent.—P. A. Corby, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4242

#### THE RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD Annual General Meeting—CREWE. April 25th, 1964—and MACCLESFIELD Programme

10.30 a.m. Meeting at Headquarters, Kettell's Restaurant, High Street, Crewe. (Anyone requiring accommodation for Friday and/or Saturday evenings, let me know as soon as possible).

11.30 a.m. Coach to Macclesfield. 35 minutes past the hour North Western Buses run from the Bus Station—via the Railway Station.

12.30 p.m. Lunch at the Beehive Restaurant (fully licensed).

1.30 p.m. Ringing at St. Michael's (12) and/or St. Peter's (8). (Don't miss the view from back of St. Michael's.)

2.30 p.m. Ringing at Christ Church (10) and/or St. Michael's.

4.30 p.m. Tea at 'The Beehive.'

5.30 p.m. Coach for home, Crewe.

6.30-7 to 9 p.m. Ringing at Christ Church, also on Friday evening.

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#### LATE NOTICES

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Lancaster Branch.—Meeting at Leck (5) from 2.30 p.m. on Saturday, March 7th. No tea available, please bring your own.—P. Handley, Branch Sec. 4266

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chester Branch.—Meeting Waverton, Saturday, March 14th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Numbers for tea please by Thursday, March 12th to R. C. H. Sibley, Hon. Sec., 35, Appleyard Lane, Chester. 4270

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Swindon Branch.—Meeting March 14th. Stratton St. Margaret (8). Social evening. Names for tea to Luton, 169, Cherry Manor Road, Swindon. 4265

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes', on Feb. 16th. 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss J. Peacock 1, S. Penfold 2, J. Stephenson 3, F. G. Richardson 4, A. C. Grainger 5, J. Fowler 6, F. V. Gant (cond.) 7, R. Mallett 8, For Matins.



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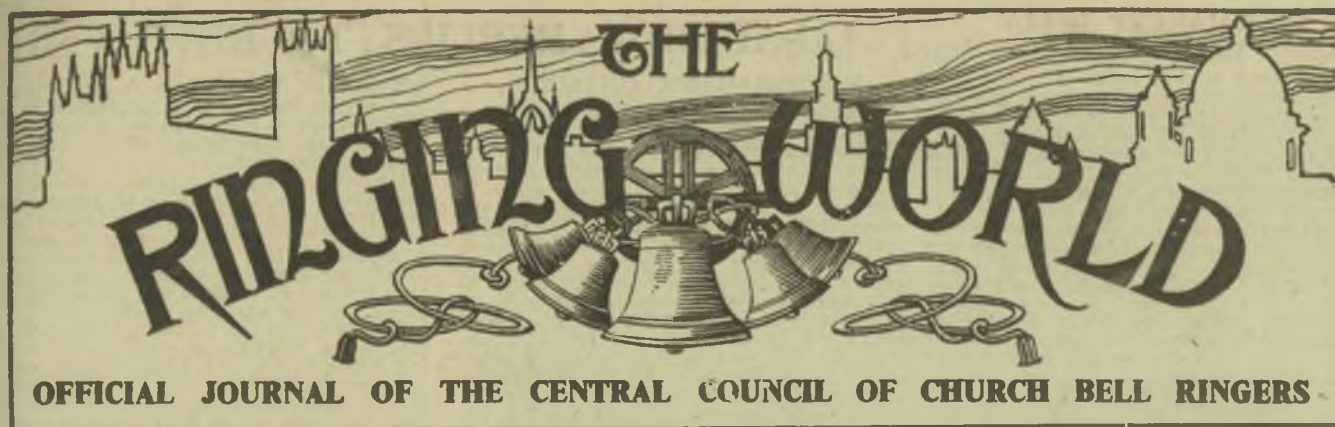
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## PRACTICE VERSUS THEORY

ONCE again I visited the Professor, taking with me 'The Ringing World' for February 21st.

'What do you think,' I asked, 'to the latest letter on "Yorkshire" Tail Ends by Norman Chaddock?'

'That his remark about the correspondence on this subject having "gone on long enough" is most apposite.'

This wouldn't do for me. I expected some searing sayings and soaring sentences. His apathy surprised me; perhaps he was losing his touch.

'There is certainly a lot of truth in what he says,' I suggested, hopefully.

'There is a certain amount of truth in what both sides have said. What is overlooked by the dogmatic Mr. Chaddock is that previous correspondents, at least two of whom are probably more accomplished ringers than himself, have come down on opposite sides of the fence. In reply to his jibe about "those in the Barnsley area," a retort that: "On relatively heavy rings like those in the Rotherham area, one can get by satisfactorily in open leads with rope-ends," would be just as objectionable and equally futile!'

I felt happier now; this was more like the Professor.

'If course there are, and always will be, I suppose, people who tend to deride those who are prepared to meditate quietly in order to sort out the grain from the chaff. "Theory," they maintain, "is all very well, but it is the practical man that gets things done." They overlook the fact that theory and practice are interdependent. Modern education recognises the importance of "theoretical formulæ and graphs" even if they do not, hence the growth in the number of technical colleges and establishments for further education.

'In bellringing the importance of theoretical work is probably as great, if not greater now, than at any other time in its history. Theoretical articles in the "R.W." are avidly received and consumed; consequently, the article by Mr. Seager which appeared a few weeks ago is of more importance than all the peals that were published in the same issue.'

I forebore to point out that this was dogmatism, but asked instead:

'Do you think that the courses on bellringing that are being held in various places are of any value?'

'Indeed I do. They show also that the Exercise is alive to the need for scientific and organised instruction, both practical (for the courses do not neglect this aspect) and theoretical.

'Tobias Matthey,' he went on, 'the great pianoforte teacher, wrote a closely-printed, 300-odd-page book on his method of teaching "touch" to his pupils; York-Bramble consumed almost as much space in the "R.W." on how to teach a beginner to handle a bell! Both pioneers received similar treatment: some people were dubious, others scoffed. But now no conscientious piano teacher is unacquainted with Matthey's principles, and anyone attempting to teach a beginner bell-handling would do well to make himself familiar with Y.-B.'s thesis.

'In general,' he concluded, 'it is the composers and theorists who win out in the end. Although the Pyses of bellringing are always remembered they are outnumbered by the Stedmans, Reeves, Thurstans and Trollopes. Annable is famous more for his compositions and his notebook than for the peals he rang, and I should hazard a guess that the name of A. G. Driver, who never rang a peal in his life, will be more familiar in 50 years' time than the names of those who rang over a hundred in 1963.'

He then retired to his cell, muttering to himself; but I didn't catch all he said: only the tail-end! It was something to do with Yorkshire!

H.C.

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## STOWMARKET BELLS DANGEROUS

Mr. Oliver G. Barnard appeared on Independent Television on March 3rd and made a telling appeal on behalf of Stowmarket (Suffolk) bells. With the aid of a very good model of a bell and fittings, swinging a full circle in a frame, he explained how badly the bearings, headstock and wheels were worn.

The last time the bells were given a major overhaul was 70 years ago. Three times in the last 17 years the bells had been examined by representatives of bell foundries and each time they had reported the bells and their fittings were deteriorating.

'Since the last examination in 1959,' said Mr. Barnard in a Press interview, 'the condition of the bells has become considerably worse, so that now we feel it is too dangerous to ring them except on special occasions.'

On television he amplified this by stating that in spite of the poor state of the bells he had a hand ready to ring when the Queen's baby arrived.

Bell founders' reports have suggested that all the bells need retuning and two need recasting. They all need to be rehung with new headstocks, wheels and bearings. Only the oak frame is in good condition.

Mr. Barnard is captain of the tower and treasurer of the bell fund. About £1,200 is needed for the restoration work and towards this about £400 has been received.

The comment of the Vicar (the Rev. A. A. Muxlow) is: 'We have expenses all round and we find that the church is so heavily committed financially at the moment that it is a question of priorities.'

Raven's 'Church Bells of Suffolk,' published in 1890—about the time when Stowmarket bells had their last overhaul—gives these particulars:—

Treble.—Wm. Dobson, Downham, Norfolk, 1810.

Second.—Thomas Osborn, 1791.

Third.—John Darbie, 1691.

Fourth.—Pre-Reformation, probably not long after 1413.

Fifth.—Charles Newman, 1699.

Sixth.—T. Mears, 1823.

Seventh.—John Darbie, 1672.

Tenor.—Miles Graye, 1622. 'A very fine bell.' 24 cwt. in 17. C. R.

## 21 YEARS AFTER

Mr. W. Birmingham, of Slough, writes expressing his pleasure at having Mr. Aidan Boyack, of Westcliff-on-Sea, in the peal rung at Woodford, Essex, for his daughter's 21st birthday. At the time of her birth both were serving in No. 5 British General Hospital at Zerzer, near Bône, in North Africa.

It was also the first peal he had rung with both his son and his daughter participating. He thanks the Woodford ringers for the warmth of the welcome given to Elizabeth during her stay there, and also Mr. John Crampson for kindly consenting to conduct the peal.

Mr. Birmingham and Mr. Boyack send their joint good wishes to another bellringing member of their unit, Mr. Ered Sparkes, of Charlton Mackrell, near Taunton, and hopes he receives these via 'The Ringing World.'

## DOUBLES LETTERS IDENTIFIED

In a peal of Doubles rung at Loughborough on January 31st (page 163) a number of methods with names unknown to the conductor were rung.

We are indebted to Mr. F. T. Blagrove for identity of the following:—

A is plain lead of All Saints with P.L. of Plain Bob as Bob—Newington.

B is P.L. of All Saints with P.L. of Canterbury as Bob—All Saints.

C is P.L. of All Saints with Old Bob as Bob—Marchington.

D is plain lead of Plain Bob with New Antelope Single as Bob—St. David.

E is Grandsire single as P.L. with Grandsire extreme as Bob—St. Augustine.

F is All Saints P.L. with Grandsire extreme as Bob—St. George.

G is Grandsire single P.L. with London extreme as Bob—St. Blaise.

There is a doubt about St. David. Perhaps the Peterborough Guild, who have rung the method, will confirm.

## CO-AUTHOR REPLIES TO REVIEWER

### SURPRISE MAJOR COLLECTION

Dear Sir,—I would like to reply to one or two technical points raised by Mr. Sibson's article and to add some comments of my own.

The reason for the restriction to methods containing only one double change per half-lead was the limitation of the collection to a manageable size. If methods with an unlimited number of double changes had been included, we estimated that the collection would have run to about 30,000 place-notations (very approximately). Such a large collection could not have been published for less than about £2 10s. I do not think that anyone would think the extra cost justified, bearing in mind, as Mr. Sibson himself points out, that only a few such methods are rung.

The 'now generally accepted lettering for lead-heads' was not used for two reasons. Firstly, the tabulating machinery easily available could not print letters; and secondly, since we did not know that the letters were generally accepted ('The Ringing World' does not commonly use them when publishing new methods) we made no attempt to find equipment which could. (The method names were typed in subsequently by hand.)

If Mr. Sibson would care to re-examine the order in which the methods are listed he will find that it is strictly numerical. A place notation  $x3458x-x-x \dots$  is numerically larger than  $x-x1458x-x \dots$  which itself is larger than  $x58x-x-x \dots$  containing no double changes, and so they come in the order printed in the collection. (Each position in the place notation denoted by a — above may be regarded as a 'digit' in the 'number' formed by the place notation, and the largest numbers come later.)

To forestall any further slurs on the accuracy of the computer, may I point out that the method number 3,000 does not exist (there is no method missing between 2,999 and 3,001)

but the fault does not lie with the computer. The method numbers were punched on to the method cards as a separate mechanical operation after the computation and No. 3,000 was accidentally omitted.

On more contentious ground, Mr. Sibson sometimes answers himself. He asks whether 'the Exercise requires such a publication' and goes on to say that 'if a number of methods is required it is a comparatively simple task to produce them.' It is simple, and inexpensively tedious; eminently a task for a computer to do, once for all.

A corollary to this tediousness may perhaps explain the 'lowering of standards' to which Mr. Sibson refers. (I put this forward merely as a hypothesis; others may not agree). Since it is so wearisome to discover a new method (only 5,000-odd out of 324,000 tested actually work, i.e., one in 60) anyone who finds any method at all may well be satisfied. Now that so many methods are available, there are bound to be more 'good' as well as 'bad' methods, and the effect may be the opposite of what Mr. Sibson fears.

More important, I feel most strongly with Mr. Shuttleworth (Letters, page 125) that the results of ringing research should be published, to prevent, as he says, needless duplication of effort. When the publication was well advanced we were told that Shirley Burton had already made, by hand, such a collection as ours. Who else had heard of it, let alone had access to it?

What about giving the Publications Committee a free hand, some money and a go-ahead convener, and letting them get on with the collation and publication of all this locked-up knowledge? I hope that this whole question of publication will be given an important place on the Central Council's agenda.—Yours faithfully,

JOHN W. McCLENAHAN.

Christ's College, Cambridge.

## FUN AND GAMES AT EPSOM

Following the success of last year's Surrey Association social evening at Putney, Epsom Common ringers decided upon a similar function on February 8th.

An hour's ringing on Epsom's eight preceded a short walk over the Common to the Parish Hall, where the local company was waiting to greet us and start the evening's festivities. They had in store a comprehensive programme of dancing and ingenious games. A 'guess the sound' competition included such odd answers as Mr. Pat Cannon eating celery! After the Gay Gordons and a game which got us all dashing around the hall at '2 hours 15 minute' speed we were only too glad to sit down and enjoy the splendid refreshments provided.

An indoor cricket match was played between Epsom ringers versus 'The Rest,' with Mr. Frank Derby doing a good job as umpire. Epsom won and the 'Kingston Cup' was presented with due ceremony to Mr. Parrott for safe keeping until next year.

All too soon came 'Auld Lang Syne' and a well-earned round of applause to the Epsom Common ringers, whose enthusiasm resulted in such an enjoyable social. A fitting close was Mr. Ted Collins (the District Master) inviting us to Croydon next year for what will be the Northern District's third social evening. B. B.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD

About 20 members attended the annual meeting of the North-East District held at Halesworth on February 15th.

The Rev. G. Button conducted a short service, and after tea at the business meeting Mr. T. Brock, of Kessingland, was elected as an unattached ringing member.

New officers elected were: Mr. G. Goate, Ringing Master; Mr. R. Bickers, chairman. Re-elected: Miss M. Branch, secretary; committee, Mr. Bickers and Mr. Gibson.

Quarterly meetings were provisionally fixed as follows: May 23rd, Laxfield and Dennington; August 15th, Aldeburgh; November 21st, Saxmundham and Benhall; February 20th, 1965, annual meeting, Beccles.

## 50 YEARS AGO

### 'Ringing World,' February 27th, 1914.

Death has removed from the Exercise another of its shining lights, Mr. Nathan John Pitstow, of Saffron Walden, Essex, whose name as a composer is as widely known as that of any man of modern times. The sad event took place on Wednesday of last week, and the intimation reached us by wire just too late to include the news in our last issue.

### 'Ringing World,' March 6th, 1914.

The St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham cherishes many records in the ringing annals and now another record has been set up on the bells of St. Martin's Church—the home of the Guild. We publish this week the 100th peal of Stedman Cinques upon the bells, truly a unique record, for we should imagine that there is no other 12-bell tower where there has been anything approaching this large total of peals in the method. The first of them goes back to 1820 and what stalwarts in the art are recalled to mind when one thinks of those who, in the past, have taken a share in the building up of this record.

## Gratefully Acknowledged

Personal.—A. Jeffs 6s., B. D. Sims £1, J. Nuppitt 6s.

Peals.—Danehill 2s., Scorton 2s. 6d., Eserick 4s., Abergavenny 5s., Woodford 5s., Great Grandsen 3s., Luppitt 2s. 6d., Rainham 4s.

Quarter Peals.—Sutton-on-Trent 2s. 6d., Farnborough (Hants) 3s., Waltham Abbey 5s., Ludgershall 2s. 6d., Hutton 2s. 6d., Kingweston 2s. 6d., Stretham 2s., Great Baddow 2s. 6d., Edmonton 2s. 6d., Netherbury 3s., Dronfield 2s. 6d., Danehill 2s., Winchester Cathedral 10s., Goldhanger 3s. 6d., Walton-on-Thames 4s., Harbury 5s., Lytchett Matravers 2s., Fincley 3s. 6d., Beer 2s. 6d., Long Sutton 3s., Easthamstead 3s., Banwell 4s., Pangbourne 2s. 6d., Whitstable 2s. 6d., Cawthorne 2s. 6d., Maidstone 4s., Putney 4s., Sutton-on-Hull 5s., Lympne 2s. 6d., Titchfield 2s. 6d., Warnford 2s. 6d., Warfield 3s., Bobbing 3s., Nazeing 3s.



## WASHINGTON CATHEDRAL BAND SELECTED

The following have accepted the invitation to go to Washington to open the bells on the occasion of the Consecration of the Gloria in Excelsior tower on Ascension Day:

Mr. John Chilcott, St. Paul's Cathedral.  
Mr. Harold Pitstow, Westminster Abbey.  
Mr. George Fearn, Birmingham Cathedral.  
Mr. Peter Staniforth, Leicester Cathedral.  
Mr. John Freeman, Lincoln Cathedral.  
Mr. Wilfrid Moreton, Wakefield Cathedral.  
Mr. Norman Chaddock, Convener, Sunday Service Ringing and Education Committee of the C.C. of C.B.R.

Mr. George Pipe, Convener, Overseas Committee of the C.C. of C.B.R.

Mr. Frank Price, of Crowthorne, Berks.  
Mr. Harry Parkes, of Sittingbourne, Kent.  
Mr. Harry Parkes is going at the request of Washington Cathedral, because of his work there last autumn in the initial training of all those who came forward to learn ringing.

Mr. Frank Price has over a period of years done much to foster change ringing in the United States, particularly with the boys of Groton School.

The band will probably leave on Monday, May 4th, and take with them the good wishes of the whole Exercise.

### THE APPEAL

The breadth of the response to the appeal is interesting, although as yet it is too early to analyse. It is still open, and it is hoped more donations will be forthcoming.

Private individuals with no apparent connection with ringing have patronised it well: also many individual ringers, as well as the widows of past ringers.

A delightful letter with a donation was received from Benenden School, where the girls who have their own Guild of change ringers wish the band an enjoyable trip.

The appeal seems to have caught the eye of a few senior officers of the R.A.F., but only two County Associations have responded to date.

The Dean and Chapter of Westminster Abbey head the short list of ecclesiastical establishments who have helped to make the trip possible, but more may give when Chapter meetings due to be held during the month come round.

Several towers have had a 'whip round,' and in this respect it is interesting to note that if every ringer gave sixpence the fund would be oversubscribed.

So many seem moved to apologise for sending small amounts, yet it is on these small sums that the real total, now amounting to just over £370, is built.

Contributions sent to Mr. Douglas Hughes, c/o Westminster Bank, St. Mary Axe, E.C.2, will be gratefully acknowledged, and passed on to Dean Francis B. Sayre.

**STOP PRESS.**—Donations just arrived from Calgary, Alberta and Saigon!

## GILLINGHAM (DORSET) BELLS TO BE REHUNG

The bells of St. Mary's, Gillingham, Dorset, are at present at the Loughborough foundry to be fitted with new headstocks, etc., and rehanging on ball-bearings.

The bells are a mixed lot with a tenor of approximately 24 to 25 cwt. in D.

Formerly a ring of six, two trebles were added by Mears and Stainbank in 1898. The remainder are as follows:—No. 3, by William Cockey, 1726; 4, John Wallis, 1607 (recast Gillett and Johnston, 1904); 5, T. and J. Bilbie, 1793; 6, William Cockey, 1722; 7, J. Kingston, 1826; tenor, William Cockey, 1726.

## University of Wales Society's Rag Week Tour



The company at Abergele (left to right): Colin Lewis, Gillian Graney, Lyndon Hatfield, Katharine Maylott, Diane Bird, John Pusey, Glenys Lloyd-Morgan, John Wilson, Christine Hiscock, Richard Smith, Gwen Storer, Christina Griffin, Tony Griffin, Nigel Crowther, John Pascoe, John Cornelius, Christopher Barnham.

### THE University of Wales Society's Rag Week

Tour began on Thursday, February 13th, with the ringing of a quarter peal at St. Padarn's Church, Llanbadarn Fawr, of 1,260 Grandsire Triples by the following band:—Gwen Storer 1, W. G. Thomas 2, Gillian E. Graney 3, Christine Hiscock 4, D. W. Beard 5, C. L. R. Bainham 6, C. A. Lewis (cond.) 7, J. B. Wilson 8. The bells were rung half-muffled in memory of the Rev. Gwilym Parry, late Vicar.

The following morning 13 people crammed into an 11-seater minibus and set off for Machynlleth. The bells here go very easily but their tone is poor and they are badly out of tune. We found the bells at Dolgellau, which had been rehung only four months before, very different. They are a musical octave but, alas, our striking could have been better. An attempt for a quarter peal failed.

Much difficulty was experienced before contacting the local tower captain for permission to ring at Barmouth. The bells, to most of us, were the best we rang on the tour. The easy-going eights at Portmadoc and Beaumaris followed. The last tower of the day was Bangor (Glanadda). These bells are almost inaudible in the ringing room and most difficult to strike well. Ringing here included touches of Oxford Bob Triples and Little Bob Major.

The Society's annual meeting was held in Glanadda belfry, an attendance of 90 members constituting a record. All five colleges—Bangor, Aberystwyth, Lampeter, Swansea and Cardiff—were represented for the first time at one meeting. The most important business was the election of Master and secretary for 1964/5. Miss Gillian Graney (Aberystwyth) was elected Master (the first lady to hold this office) and Miss Katherine Maylott (Aberystwyth) secretary.

Saturday was the busiest day of the tour as we visited nine towers, some of them separated by considerable distances. In the morning we rang at Llandegai, Llandudno and Abergele. All these towers have easy-going bells, ringing being reasonably good without

being brilliant. After lunch we found at Rhuddlan the six bells completely tuneless and badly needing rehanging. Halkyn, the next tower, was a complete contrast; the bells have just been rehung and have a very pleasant tone. A touch of Cambridge Minor here produced probably the best struck ringing of the tour. From Halkyn it is only a couple of miles to Flint, where the light ring of eight (tenor 7 cwt.) is crowded into a very narrow tower. The proximity of the ropes made striking difficult but at least ringing on such bells requires very little energy!

The last two towers visited in East Wales were Northop and Mold and at the latter we were greatly impressed by the immaculate condition of the large ringing room. A good touch of Cambridge Surprise Minor was followed by a touch of Single Oxford in which three local ringers participated.

The last tower of the tour was at Gwen Storer's home in Llandrillo, Merionethshire. This is the only four-bell tower which the U.W.S.C.R. has yet visited. After ringing Plain Bob and Stedman Minimus we had a drink at the local hostelry and then departed for Aberystwyth.

This was the best attended tour of the Society so far (17 ringers) and ringing took place in 16 towers in seven different counties. Thanks are due to Tony Griffin for driving us so far so safely. C. L. R. B.

### S.W. London Ringing

Mr. Michael J. Uphill sends the following corrections: Wandsworth, All Saints', 6.45—8.30; Holy Trinity, 6.30—8.15 on alternate Tuesdays. Uncertain if two Streatham towers are still practising. Chiswick, like Mortlake, has a struggling rounds band.

Additions: Twickenham, St. Matthew's (10). 7.30—9 Thursdays; Twickenham, St. Mary's (8), Wednesdays.

Wimbledon practice, Thursdays, 7.30—9; Isleworth, 8—9.30 (supplied by J. G.).

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# Letters to the Editor

## Another Light Ring of Six

Dear Sir,—Seeing the photograph in 'The Ringing World' and reading of Mr. F. D. Mack's lightest ring of bells prompted me to give some details of a ring of six which I got together and hung almost 35 years ago. The bells hang in an oak frame, the timber of which was sawn by hand from 3in by 11in. railway material.

The headstocks and wheels are of oak, the wheels being morticed and tenoned together in the traditional manner. Each bell is equipped with stay, slider and pulley box, and can quite easily be rung up to the set position. Plain bearings were fitted and the rope circle is 16in. The bells themselves are exact models of tower bells and are fitted with independent clapper staples.

The ring is in the key of A and on occasions has been loaned for bell restoration purposes.

Many visitors have seen this model belfry. The tenor bell, which is connected with a clock, sounds the hours.

Should any ringers or others interested be passing through our village please do not hesitate to give us a call.

The weights and diameters are:—  
Treble, 1 lb. 6 oz.; 4 7/16th inches. Second, 1 lb. 8 1/2 oz.; 4 13/16th inches. Third, 1 lb. 12 1/2 oz.; 5 1/4 inches. Fourth, 2 lb. 9 1/2 oz.; 5 5/16th inches. Fifth, 3 lb. 11 1/2 oz.; 6 7/16th inches. Tenor, 4 lb. 2 1/2 oz.; 6 1/2 inches.

The bells contain some metal salvaged from a scrap yard at Easingwold.—Yours faithfully,  
J. B. HUTCHINSON.

Stillington, York.

## New Churches and Bells

Dear Sir,—In the village of Scholes, near Leeds, it is proposed to replace the present church with a new one. The preliminary moves are now being made and an architect is to be appointed in the near future. It is intended that the new church will accommodate approximately 200 people and it is possible that a non-traditional building will be erected.

There is a strong feeling amongst the church members that provision should be made for the installation of a ring of bells (say a light six). It will be appreciated that the funds available will not permit building a tower in the normal manner but presumably bells can be accommodated in the most modern church.

I should be extremely grateful to any readers of 'The Ringing World' who have experience of installations of bells would let me know how the problems were surmounted.—Yours sincerely,

F. L. FLEETWOOD.

35, Nook Road, Scholes, near Leeds.

## The late Dr. J. C. E. Simpson

Dear Sir,—Ringing friends of the late Dr. J. C. E. Simpson, Ph.D., D.Sc., may be interested to learn that a reference to his ability as a ringer is mentioned in an obituary to his book, 'Condensed Pyridazine and Pyrazine Rings' (Chemistry of Heterocyclic Compounds, Vol. 5, Ed. Weissberger, New York, 1953), written by his colleague, C. M. Atkinson.

Atkinson concludes his tribute to Simpson by saying '... and the early interest in campanology which he formed at Liscard developed during his life to such an extent that his intellectual and physical prowess were recognised throughout England.'

Such a reference must surely be unique in the Ringing Exercise.—Yours faithfully,

GEOFFREY DAVIES.

Edgbaston.

P.S.—Dr. Simpson died in 1952 at the age of 44.—G.D.

## Checking Names

Dear Sir,—I am sorry that Mr. Stote ('Ringing World,' February 14th) considers my remarks ungentlemanly, but I cannot accept without comment the off-hand way in which he dismisses the question of duplicated names. If more conductors adopted the same attitude, total chaos could ensue in method-naming, and this certainly would not be to the advantage of the Exercise. It is greatly to the credit of the vast majority of conductors that they take great care to avoid these errors, but nevertheless too many duplications still appear. Occasional mistakes are bound to occur but I still maintain that there is no real excuse for publication of peal reports of this type.

There are many ways in which the conscientious conductor can check his facts. He can apply to the convener of the Records or Methods Committee, an officer of the local Association, 'The Ringing World' or to a number of other people for guidance. Addresses of those concerned are readily available and, if an address is unknown, I am sure that you, sir, would not object to forwarding an occasional letter addressed c/o The Editor, 'The Ringing World.' Don't forget the s.a.e., of course.

It may be objected that this wastes time, but that doesn't matter, and in this instance the band had plenty of time to make inquiries while practising the methods.

Regarding the check Mr. Stote did make, I would point out that the 1961 Minor Collection does not include any 'single-change' methods. This is clearly indicated at the third paragraph of the preface on page 5. This omission is regrettable, because there are so few regular examples of these methods—five Plain, 10 Delight and 11 Surprise—and in place notation this information would have filled less than one page and made the collection of regular methods complete. Incidentally there are still some unnamed Delight methods.

Finally, I would point out that the method is correctly named Alderbourne, not Aldbourne. This difference may seem trivial but it is not impossible for the other name to be used for another method at a later date, and then further confusion will ensue. — Yours sincerely,

GEORGE W. MASSEY.

Frome, Somerset.

## Quarter Peals for President Kennedy

Sir,—Recently I noticed an allegation against the numerous peals that were rung for the late President Kennedy's death by using this as a mere excuse for the peal because the ringing had been arranged some time before. I was one who took part in three quarters, all rung half-muffled, and two of which had been planned some time beforehand. But could I point out that we made a special effort to half-muffle the bells before ringing as we felt that open ringing would not have been appropriate on such a sad occasion.

I would guarantee that all those who rang in the week following this dreadful tragedy felt in their hearts a good measure of sympathy for Mrs. Kennedy and family and for this reason decided to ring their peal or quarter as an act of tribute, not as a secondary excuse. Ringers are humans, not callous robots and, as was reflected in this paper, all shared the world's grief at such a tragic loss.—Yours sincerely,

MICHAEL KING.

York.

## Peals and Associations

Dear Sir,—There is an interesting point arising in the letter from Maj. R. Pateman and from Denis Bayles' recent article.

Surely in an age of supposed enlightenment and central (though negligible) surveillance, one would expect a less hidebound and parochial attitude than is generally found among Associations and Guilds, particularly some of the more out of the way.

It is quite obvious that peals are rung BY ringers, FOR Associations. After all, now that travel is easy, how many ringers can really claim to have been trained by one county?

How many peals are rung by 'pure' bands? Not many I think; why peals are still credited to Associations at all remains a mystery to me, except for records (which rarely really belong to the Association for whom they are rung anyway).

Next we come to the situation of a band of ringers who elect to hold a summer tour in some different part of the country ringing peals. Rarely are they all of one Association—what do they do? Usually join the Association(s) in whose territory they are ringing. Why should they? Out of some perverse sense of etiquette, I think—because the 'host' Association 'expects' it to be so!

This is quite ridiculous, the people ringing the peals should do so for whatever Association they mostly represent: if they are so widespread as to have no Association in common, then they have two alternatives—record the peals as 'non-association' or invent their own touring Society as a temporary measure.

The former is, I think, the better, the latter rather more traditional (though a tradition all too rarely observed).

Like Denis Bayles, I too await the day when touring bands are brave enough to ring peals for the Association they are representative of, or found a temporary peregrinatory Society. Even better, the day when peals are just rung BY bands and the Associations get on with teaching and administering aid where needed and to leave peal-ringers to their own devices.

How parochial Associations are can be gauged by the fact that recently the Lancashire Association set up THEIR library seven miles away from the Chester Guild library!—

GILES B. THOMPSON.

Chalfont St. Giles.

## Central Suffolk's Plight

Dear Sir,—With reference to Mr. Hotine's letter of February 21st, I fully agree with him that ringing in Central Suffolk is at a very low ebb. Mr. Hotine suggests that during the past year very little effort has been made to further the art of change ringing. I would hasten to suggest that a great amount of effort has been made by some Guild members and none at all by others.

It appears that a great barrier exists between method ringing and set changes—there are several towers where the latter ringing exists but are unfortunately not able to progress further, due partly to not enough change ringers in the neighbourhood and partly being content with set changes.

Mr. Hotine also suggests at least one peal per member for this year—this is more difficult than it sounds, first to get six or eight ringers in one place at the same time, and secondly to ring the peal. For instance, to date this year I have been in three peal attempts—two where seven ringers have met instead of eight, and one failure after ringing 2,000 changes.

I think this somewhat alters the picture painted by Mr. Hotine.—Yours sincerely,

HAROLD W. H. LEATHER.

Monk Soham, Suffolk.

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## LETTERS—Continued

**Grabbers List 'Futile'**

Dear Sir,—What honour is there in being included in a Tower Grabbers List (see page 122)? To my mind this is a futile pursuit which serves no purpose to benefit the Exercise or Sunday Service ringing in general or ringers individually.

I am prompted to write these remarks because my own tower is obviously included in the total of a person who is very high up in your list. This person couldn't even hunt the treble through 120 changes on our 5 bells, and if that is the sort of standard that enables one to get near the top of this list then there is not much credit reflected on the other ringers mentioned.

I can see names belonging to some well known ringers and no doubt the ringing of the majority is of a high standard but the inclusion of the person mentioned above only emphasises the futility of publishing this list. I might just as well take two or three of my learners who can just about handle a rope and drive them all round the country for a few indifferent pulls or even rounds, and next year they could be top of the list! Yours faithfully,—

R. J. BROWN.

Bentley Common.

**Tho: Purdue Fecit**

Dear Sir,—The article by the Rev. John Scott brought back many happy memories of Exeter Cathedral bells, for I was born within their sound and, being a member of a ringing family who gave many years of service in the Cathedral tower, the article gave me great pleasure.

It is interesting to note that Taylors' cast two new trebles in 1922 and also recast the 3rd, 7th and tenor during this century, but the remaining eight have a range 1616 to 1729, which speaks well for our old founders.

Mr. Scott visited the Purdue tomb at Clowworth a few years ago and took a good photograph of it, a print of which he sent me.—Yours faithfully, WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

Addlestone, Surrey.

**The Bilbies**

Dear Sir,—The Bilbies came from a small village about six to seven miles from here called Chew Stoke. They were bell founders and many of their bells are in Somerset. They also did clock making in their spare time and I have a 30-hour clock of Edward Bilbie, who cast our middle four bells in 1723. Thomas E. James cast the treble and tenor in 1793. They are good, clean castings.

The Bilbies of Axbridge were, so I am told, clock makers only. I could tell Mr. Moxon a good deal about both if I had the pleasure of meeting him. 'PEACEHAVEN.'

Old Church Road, Nailsea.

**Finsbury**

Dear Sir,—In reply to Mr. Shuttleworth, Finsbury is a Metropolitan Borough to the north of the City of London. Among its parishes are St. James' and St. John's, Clerkenwell; the latter grew up around the Priory of St. John of Jerusalem, founded in the 12th century.—Yours, etc., A. BAGWORTH.

Wimbledon.

**Service Ringing Records**

Dear Sir,—May I be permitted through your columns to offer an expression of congratulation to the Halesowen band on their remarkable record of service ringing over the past 20 years?

We thought we were doing pretty well here at Saxilby, where we have almost completed an unbroken run of ringing for a thousand services in a little under ten years, and we can appreciate something of the loyalties, hard work and enthusiasm which have been in evidence at Halesowen.

May I suggest that 'The Ringing World' should publish a list of leading service-ringing bands on these lines?—Yours sincerely,

H. W. COX.

Saxilby, Lincs.

Note.—Such records deserve publicity. Any others?—Ed.

**Suggestion for Central Council**

Dear Sir,—Now that so many Surprise Major methods are being rung would it not be possible to issue some of these in a 'Standard Methods' form? Whilst not deprecating in any way the compilers of the 'Ringers' Diary'—I, personally, think their choice is excellent: even though limited by space—I think that there is little doubt that their publication through the auspices of the Central Council in a 'diagrams' form, with literally a 'blue line' would be welcomed by the Exercise in general, and this writer in particular.—Yours faithfully,

G. C. B.

**Yorkshire Royal at Wroughton**

Dear Sir,—Permit me to point out that the peal of Yorkshire Surprise Royal on February 1st, 1964, was not the first peal of Yorkshire Royal on the bells. This was rung by a company touring Somerset of which I was a member on September 5th, 1936, conducted by Wilfred Williams. Incidentally, it was the first in the county and for the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.—Yours, etc.,

F. W. ROGERS.

Portsmouth.

**To Ted Rodenhurst**

Dear Sir,—Might I through your columns convey my congratulations to Ted Rodenhurst on the ringing of his 700th peal. I feel sure that his many friends throughout the Exercise will join me in the hope that he will long continue to ring with us.—Yours sincerely,

ROGER B. MORRIS,  
Ringing Master,  
The Shropshire Assn.

**Distance Eliminated**

Dear Sir,—I am reading 'The Ringing World' for February 28th, 1964, in Singapore at 10 a.m. on Saturday, February 29th.—Yours faithfully,

J. MERRITT,  
Commander, R.N.

H.M.S. 'Centaur.'

**OBITUARY****MR. ERNEST HARRINGTON**

Hever, Kent, lost one of its oldest inhabitants on January 28th when Mr. Ernest Harrington died in the Edenbridge Hospital, aged 89.

Mr. Harrington ('Ern' to his many friends) came to Hever as a boy of eight and began ringing when 16. Although he did not ring regularly during the last few years he retained his membership of the Kent County Association. His service to the local company included 50 years as secretary, during which time a good standard of ringing was maintained.

He began work with his father, who was then a blacksmith of some note, and he continued this craft at the old forge up to the time of his death. Some examples of the iron work produced there can be seen in Hever Church.

A large number of ringers and friends attended the funeral service on January 31st, which was conducted by the Rev. J. B. Collins. In the evening a half-muffled quarter peal was rung by the Edenbridge band. B. E. J.

**MR. E. S. HAWKER**

Mr. Eli Symonds Hawker, of Seaton, Devon, who died on Friday, February 22nd, at the City Hospital, Exeter, eight days after the death of his wife, was for over 50 years a ringer. Born at Musbury in 1892, he was leader of the Musbury band for 20 years before coming to Lyme Regis in 1936. His keenness and regular attendance soon enabled him to advance from Grandsire Doubles (the only method he had the opportunity to ring for 20 years) to standard methods. He was soon taking part in quarter peals of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major and ringing Minor methods up to London Surprise.

His first peal, Stedman Triples, rung at Lyme Regis on May 12th, 1937, was the first peal in the method by an entirely local band in the county of Dorset.

In 1943 his work took him to Seaton and for 20 years he was captain of the Seaton band and saw the augmentation of the bells from six to eight. Throughout his 50 years as a ringer he could always be depended upon to be there for Sunday service ringing and practice nights.

The funeral service and interment was at Musbury on February 27th. May he rest in peace. C. P.

**MR. EZRA HOMER**

Mr. Ezra Homer, of Rowley Regis, Staffs, who died at his home on February 28th at the age of 80, had been a Sunday service ringer at Rowley since 1902, but gave up ringing about five years ago for health reasons. Although not a prolific peal ringer he had been most helpful to learners who showed interest in ringing.

As a token of respect a half-muffled quarter peal of Stedman Triples was rung at Rowley Parish Church on March 3rd, the date of his interment. The band was B. E. Woodall 1, H. Shilcock 2, Miss M. Tromans 3, H. Shuck 4, Miss M. Ellsmore 5, A. B. Ellsmore 6, T. Greenhall (cond.) 7, G. Chiswell 8).

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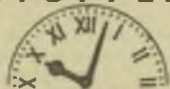
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# ELEMENTARY 'IN AND OUT OF COURSE'

By F. AITCH

The number of changes that can be produced on bells is as follows:—

2 bells,	2 changes
3 "	6 "
4 "	24 "
5 "	120 "
6 "	720 "
7 "	5,040 "
8 "	40,320 "
9 "	362,880 "
10 "	3,628,800 "
11 "	39,916,800 "
12 "	479,001,600 "

The total number, or extent, of changes that can be produced on any number of bells is always an even number.

In considering the composition of these individual numbers on any number of bells, half of them are odd numbers and half are even numbers.

As an example. Take the six changes on three bells as numbers from one to six. There are three odd, 1—3—5, and three even, 2—4—6, to make the total of six.

Thinking in terms of changes on any number of bells, and considering the extent that can be obtained, half of these are odd, known as 'out of course,' and half are even, known as 'in course.' Rounds are classed as 'in course,' and an 'out of course' change is one which requires an odd number of pairs of bells to be changed to bring it into rounds. Therefore the change 214365 would be 'out of course,' as it requires three pairs of bells to be changed to bring it into rounds. An 'in course' change is one which requires an even number of pairs of bells to be changed to bring it into rounds. Therefore 214356 would be 'in course,' as it requires two pairs of bells changing to bring up rounds.

Changes can be classified under two headings, 'Simple' and 'Complex.' A simple change is one that is obviously either 'in course' or 'out of course.'

The change 21436587 is classed as simple, because it is obvious that four pairs of bells require to be changed to bring up rounds, so it is 'in course.' The change 85164723 is a complex one, as, unless you have a mathematical mind, you would require pencil and paper to work out whether it was 'in course' or 'out of course.'

When an even number is added to an even number an even number is produced. When an even number and an odd number are added together an odd number is produced, and when two odd numbers are added together an even number is produced.

So in analysing the first lead of Plain Bob Minor we discover:—

123456	'In course.'
214365	3 pairs of bells changed, adding odd to even, so 'out of course.'
241635	2 pairs of bells changed, adding even to odd, so 'out of course.'
426153	3 pairs of bells changed, adding odd to odd, so 'in course.'
462513	2 pairs of bells changed, adding even to even, so 'in course.'
645231	3 pairs of bells changed, adding odd to even, so 'out of course.'
654321	2 pairs of bells changed, adding even to odd, so 'out of course.'
563412	3 pairs of bells changed, adding odd to odd, so 'in course.'
536142	2 pairs of bells changed, adding even to even, so 'in course.'
351624	3 pairs of bells changed, adding odd to even, so 'out of course.'
315264	2 bells of bells changed, adding even to odd, so 'out of course.'
132546	3 pairs of bells changed, adding odd to odd, so 'in course.'
135264	2 pairs of bells changed, adding even to even, so 'in course.'

It will be apparent on perusal that the changes in Plain Bob Minor are alternately two 'out of course' and two 'in course.' The two changes when the treble leads are 'in course,' and these will remain so during the plain course, or whilst bobs only are called.

But as we know that we can obtain 720 changes on six bells, half of which are 'in course' and half 'out of course,' and

we can see by the above figures that we only produce the 'in course' changes that are possible with the treble leading by bobs only, which in turn make it so that we only get 360 changes, which is only half of the possible 720 changes on six bells, singles are introduced, which cause the changes when the treble leads to be changed from 'in course' to 'out of course,' thus enabling the remaining 360 changes to be produced.

Another single will be required to return the bells to the 'in course' position before rounds can be produced.

It therefore follows that to obtain a full true 720 changes of Plain Bob Minor, an even number of singles will be required.

The reason why singles are not required to produce the 720 changes in a normal Treble Bob Minor method can be seen by a look at Kent Treble Bob Minor.

Here the treble is seen to strike at the lead four times during any one full lead, and if these four changes are analysed two will be found to be 'in course' and two 'out of course,' so the nature of the changes does not require to be changed by a single to produce the full 720 changes, as was required in Plain Bob Minor.

This article has been written for the benefit of those who are seeking a simple explanation of the 'in and out of course' of changes, and if you are one of those persons you may like to put to the test what you have gained from it by finding out for yourself why it is possible to get the whole 120 of Plain Bob Doubles with bobs only, but in Grandsire Doubles you cannot get the 120 without the use of singles.

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD North Notts District

Three towers were open at Reford on February 8th for the North Notts District's annual meeting. A short service was taken by the Rev. T. Womack and this was followed by tea in the Ebsworth Hall, provided by Mrs. W. Coates and other ladies, a company of 48 sitting down.

Before the meeting silence was observed for four members who had died. In the absence of the chairman Mr. H. T. Rooke deputised. The annual report was accepted and although there was a reduction of 27 members the accounts were satisfactory.

Officers elected were: Chairman, Mr. H. Smart (Workshop); secretary, Mr. H. Denman (re-elected); Ringing Master, Mr. J. Coates (Retford); committee, Mr. R. Brightmore (North Wheatley). Five new members were elected and the District Cup Contest was fixed for Gamston on July 11th. The collection for the Bell Repair Fund amounted to £1 13s. 9d.

Votes of thanks were passed to the clergy for the use of the bells and the ladies for a very nice tea.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION Ashford District

About 60 ringers and friends from some 20 different towers were present for the service and tea at the by-meeting of the Ashford District at Great Chart on February 29th.

The service was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. J. S. Tunbridge, who gave a short but interesting address. Mr. Miller, of Egerston, was the organist, and the lesson was read by Mr. L. Day, of the local band.

An excellent tea was enjoyed in the neighbouring Village Hall. The main item on the agenda of the business was the forthcoming annual general meeting of the Association to be held at Tenterden on Easter Monday. Five junior and two adults were elected to membership.

Mr. Alan Berry, the Ringing Master, voiced the thanks of the gathering to the Rector and the organist, to Mrs. K. Hobden for arrangements, and to Mrs. L. Day and her helpers for tea.

An enjoyable meeting concluded when the bells were rung down at 9 o'clock. C. T. H.

## QUARTER PEALS

### Honour Birth of Son to Princess

#### Alexandra & Mr. Angus Ogilvy

**BANWELL, SOMERSET.**—On Feb. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. J. Westlake (first quarter) 1. M. D. Dodson (first quarter)\*2. G. Hebden (first of Triples) 3. R. W. Rice (first of Triples 'inside') 4. G. Robson 5. R. G. Pruen (first of Triples) 6. W. S. Rice (first of Triples as cond.) 7. W. E. Day 8. First quarter of Triples by Sunday service band.

**BEER, DEVON.**—On Feb. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. J. Lewis 1. J. Corenlius 2. K. Pinney 3. E. T. P. Field (cond.) 4. Rev. J. C. B. Marshall 5. First on live bells 2 and 3.

**BOLSOVER, DERBY.**—On March 1st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: D. Cooper 1. Jacqueline Stewart 2. Diane Turner 3. D. Barnes (first quarter) 4. R. Chambers 5. H. Wagstaff 6. G. Davison 7. A. Keller (cond.) 8.

**CRANBROOK, KENT.**—On March 1st, 1,260 Doubles (780 Grandsire and 480 Plain Bob): J. Cousins 1. D. Manger 2. Jennifer Payne 3. A. Leves 4. A. Webb (first 'inside' two methods) 5. G. Piper 6.

**DANEHILL, SUSSEX.**—On March 1st, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Pauline Wilson (first quarter) 1. A. W. Fuller 2. Peggy Butcher 3. Betty Butler 4. A. J. Butcher (cond.) 5. W. J. Sale 6.

**FARMBOROUGH, SOMERSET.**—On March 1st, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): J. Fray 1. A. Perry 2. K. T. Baker 3. R. Smith 4. M. J. Horseman (cond.) 5. J. Coombes 6.

**FINCHEY, MIDD.**—On March 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss D. Robotham 1. A. Richardson 2. Mrs. E. Richardson 3. L. Tubb 4. A. Warren 5. B. Watson 6. B. Willis (cond.) 7. P. Taylor (first quarter) 8.

**LEWISHAM, LONDON.**—On March 3rd, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): M. Ferrier 1. Barbara J. Leigh 2. Katharine M. Guy (first as cond.) 3. J. Machell 4. Dr. D. G. H. Hollis (first of Doubles) 5. S. W. Rees 6.

**LUPPITT, DEVON.**—On Feb. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss F. M. Sage 1. A. J. Crabb 2. Miss I. M. Broom (first 'inside') 3. L. Marker 4. C. Churchill (cond.) 5. W. Broom 6.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On March 1st, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): Rachel Sinden 1. Elizabeth Todd 2. Myrtle Cook 3. H. P. Yates 4. R. P. Brotherton (cond.) 5. A. Neilson 6. Before Evenson.

**MARKET OVERTON, RUTLAND.**—On Feb. 29th, 1,319 Doubles (three methods): Mrs. F. W. Pinchbeck 1. F. W. Pinchbeck 2. C. F. Baxter 3. W. A. Holmes (first of Doubles) 4. D. R. Baxter (cond.) 5.

**MISTLEY, ESSEX.**—On March 2nd, 1,260 Kent T. B. and Plain Bob Minor: J. Honeywood (first of T.B.) 1. F. Southgate 2. G. Waterman 3. Gillian Brown (cond.) 4. A. E. Honeywood 5. U. Widney 6.

**ORSEY, ESSEX.**—On Feb. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Simon D. Holdaway 1. Mrs. D. G. Mayell 2. D. G. Mayell (cond.) 3. Stephen D. Holdaway (first in method 'inside') 4. V. J. C. Dale 5. F. W. Blatch 6. The 50th quarter peal on the bells.

**OXFORD.**—At the Church of St. Thomas the Martyr, on March 1st, 1,440 London Surprise Minor: Hilary F. Pardoe 1. A. R. Crawford 2. Christine C. Macnair 3. M. R. Ashmore 4. J. W. Thorp 5. B. Wakefield (cond.) 6.

**ST. BEES, CUMBERLAND.**—On March 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. E. Haile 1. J. A. Haile 2. Miss K. M. Dent 3. D. Hunns (first of Minor) 4. T. Richardson 5. H. Wilson (cond.) 6. T. McKay (cover) 7.

**WARFIELD, BERKS.**—On March 3rd, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Rosamond Murrell 1. Susanne Sargeant 2. S. G. Scott 3. A. J. N. Rance 4. G. C. J. Murrell 5. F. C. Price (cond.) 6. First of Surprise 1, 2, 3 and 5.

**WEST BUCKLAND, SOMERSET.**—On March 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Brenda R. Reed 1. W. Stevens 2. C. J. Stevens (cond.) 3. L. Morrell 4. L. Hart 5. P. C. D. Head 6.

**WEST TARRING, SUSSEX.**—On March 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Jennifer M. Leach 1. Veronica G. Rees 2. S. R. Strange (first 'inside') 3. A. M. Horn 4. S. Howard (cond.) 5. R. G. Harmer 6.

### EAST RIDING PRACTICE NIGHTS

(7.30 p.m. unless otherwise indicated)

**Monday.**—Hull (Holy Trinity) (12).

**Tuesday.**—Beverly Minster (10), Bridlington

(8), Kirk Ella (6).

**Wednesday.**—Hedon (8), Hessle (6), Holme-on-Spalding Moor (6). 7 p.m., North Ferriby (6).

**Thursday.**—Cottingham (8).

**Friday.**—Sutton-on-Hull (6), Walkington (6).

**Saturday** (last in month). — Hull (Holy Trinity), 6 p.m.



## HALF PEALS

**OLD COULSDON, SURREY.**—On Jan. 17th, 2,520 Doubles (six methods: Grandsire, Stedman, St. Simon's, Winchendon Place Bob, April Day, Plain Bob): W. J. Munton 1, Margaret E. Fort 2, A. R. Millidge 3, A. F. R. Hartley 4, D. C. Brookes (cond.) 5. First half peal 1, 2, 5. A peal attempt brought round.

**WALKDEN, LANCs.**—On Feb. 26th, 2,520 Plain Bob Minor: D. Forsythe (longest touch 'inside') 1, D. Vincent 2, B. Moss 3, C. Lomax 4, J. Ashcroft (cond.) 5, T. W. Smith 6.

**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—On Feb. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: E. Mary Macve 1, Carol Cousins 2, R. Rayfield 3, E. G. H. Godfrey 4, Margaret C. Godfrey (first as cond.) 5, A. M. Macve 6. For the institution and induction of the Rev. A. J. Norton as Vicar. Also on Feb. 23rd, 1,440 Hull Surprise Minor: C. H. Macve 1, R. Rayfield 2, Margaret C. Godfrey 3, E. G. H. Godfrey 4, P. J. Milton 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6. First in method by all. A compliment to Ernest Read, C.B.E., on his 85th birthday.

**ASHTED, SURREY.**—On Feb. 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Bradbury 1, G. Williams 2, Diana Prynne 3, J. T. Symonds 4, J. Hayns 5, R. Mills (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**BOBBING, KENT.**—On Feb. 22nd, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: D. Breakspear 1, A. J. Dunk 2, Miss E. M. Cumberworth 3, S. V. Rayfield 4, F. J. Cheal (cond.) 5, T. D. Wickins 6. A wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Cheal at Rainham.

**BURES, SUFFOLK.**—On Feb. 23rd, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: D. W. Brooks 1, Mrs. L. Mills 2, E. R. M. Cansdale 3, Mrs. G. Pipe 4, A. W. Cansdale 5, L. D. Mills 6, D. L. Mills (cond.) 7, G. W. Pipe 8. For Matins.

**DRONFIELD, DERBYS.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: E. Walker 1, Catherine Bradley 2, J. W. Sykes 3, A. Wilson 4, G. N. Goodall (cond.) 5. To welcome a son to Mr. and Mrs. Derek Peers.

**DUBLIN.**—At St. Patrick's Cathedral on Feb. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. W. Jones 1, R. I. George 2, R. A. Vere Hodge (first Triples attempt) 3, Sandra Dukes (first Triples attempt) 4, W. T. Farrell 5, F. E. Dukes (cond.) 6, J. A. Atkinson 7, H. H. Brown 8. A compliment to Miss Marilyn Bernard-Smith, a member of the Cathedral Society, on her engagement to Mr. John Porter.

## QUARTER PEALS

**EASTHAMPTSTEAD, BERKS.**—On March 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Dorothy Humphris 1, Joan A. Rance 2, Margaret Green 3, C. W. Bailey 4, W. R. Churchill 5, S. G. Scott (cond.) 6. For Evensong and the visit of the Bishop of Reading.

**EDMONTON, MIDDx.**—On Mar. 23rd, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Beryl Platt 1, Sheila Moore 2, Teresa Langdon 3, T. Bailey (cond.) 4, Trudy Newcombe 5, M. Coleman 6, T. G. Hawkins 7, D. Langdon 8. For Evensong.

**FARNBOROUGH, HANTS.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,440 Surprise Minor (Cambridge and Norwich): C. H. Kippin 1, R. C. Kippin 2, P. Joyce 3, D. P. Treble 4, V. M. Cox 5, W. J. Couperthwaite (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**GEDLING, NOTTS.**—On Feb. 22nd, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Dawson 1, Miss J. N. Challinor 2, R. Marsh 3, C. R. Larkin 4, G. A. Dawson (cond.) 5. Birthday compliments to C. A. Larkin and D. Surman. Also on Feb. 23rd, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, April Day and Kennington): J. Dawson 1, R. H. Rogers (cond.) 2, J. T. Burnup 3, D. Surman 4, G. A. Dawson 5, R. Adey 6. For Evensong. Also a compliment to Miss L. Burnup and Mr. R. Disney on their engagement.

**GREAT GRANDSEN, HUNTS.**—On Feb. 21st, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Rose B. Davey 1, L. B. Jefferies (first 'inside') 2, C. J. Blain 3, R. F. Baker 4, A. J. Davey 5, P. E. Wells (cond.) 6.

**GOLDHANGER, ESSEX.**—On Feb. 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob and Kent: W. White 1, G. Emeney 2, C. Southgate 3, T. White 4, B. Mann 5, B. C. Mann (cond.) 6, H. R. Appleton (cover) 7. Rung half-muffled in memory of Jack White, buried this day.

**GREAT BADDOW, ESSEX.**—On Feb. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Roast 1, Dr. Spencer-Phillips 2, D. Roast 3, P. Green 4, P. Saltmarsh 5, D. Symonds 6, P. Eve (cond.) 7, H. Carter 8. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to Mr. G. Green, for over 75 years a ringer at this church and past captain, by officers of the S.E. District, Essex Association and the local band, buried this day.

**HARBURY, WARWICKS.**—On Feb. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. D. Gibson 1, J. Susan Smith 2, F. M. Robottom 3, W. H. Male 4, G. W. Randall 5, E. J. Gower (cond.) 6.

**HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS.**—On Feb. 2nd, 720 York Surprise, 540 Plain Bob: P. E. Wells 1, Miss J. K. A. Cook 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, A. J. Davey 4, C. L. Bell 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service. Also on Feb. 16th, 1,440 Norwich Surprise Minor: Miss J. K. A. Cook 1, C. L. Bell 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, A. J. Davey 4, P. E. Wells 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On Feb. 22nd, 1,440 Plain Bob Doubles: W. G. Marsh 1, R. J. Marsh (cond.) 2, J. Dowse 3, D. Barker (first quarter) 4, R. Blackshaw 5, M. W. Harrison 6. Congratulations to Michael Barker and Jacqueline Storey, married at Eriswell Church on Feb. 22nd.

**HUTTON, ESSEX.**—On Feb. 25th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): C. E. Hill 1, R. G. Jones 2, J. J. Wallett (cond.) 3, W. T. Hill 4, B. E. Shedel 5. Rung for the wedding of John Shedel and Anne Martens.

**LECHLADE-ON-THAMES, GLOS.**—On Feb. 23rd, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): Miss J. Powell (first quarter) 1, Miss M. Walsh 2, Miss G. S. M. Walsh 3, H. R. Hayden (most methods) 4, G. W. Land (cond.) 5, W. E. Gearing 6. For Evensong and to welcome Rosemary Lee home after a spell in hospital following a road accident.

**LITTLEHAM, DEVON.**—On Feb. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Sylvia Farrant (first quarter) 1, J. West 2, C. Deem (cond.) 3, J. Gatter 4, F. Williams 5, H. West 6. For Evensong.

**LITTLE MISSENDEN, BUCKS.**—On Feb. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Diana Presdee 1, Anne Cass 2, Anne Collins 3, R. Snack 4, B. Collins (cond.) 5, A. Peck 6. Rung in connection with the celebrations to welcome home to the village Tony Nash, Olympic Gold Medallist.

**WHITSTABLE, KENT.**—On March 1st, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: M. Ostler 1, Gwynneth James (first 'inside' in method) 2, Mrs. L. E. James 3, Miss H. Palmer 4, S. James (cond.) 5, D. Cawley 6. A tribute to the retiring captain (Mr. C. C. Dilnot).

**WINCHESTER, HANTS.**—At the Cathedral on March 1st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major (on the back 8): Ann M. Cox 1, Margaret Chapman 2, W. G. Young 3, C. W. Daws 4, D. B. Brown 5, P. N. Tubbs 6, D. E. House (cond.) 7, F. C. W. Knight 8. For St. David's Day.

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While ringing has been sus-  
pended at Darton, near  
Barnsley, for some time due  
to tower repairs and the need of a major over-  
haul of the bells, ringers from Barnsley and  
Cawthorne rang for the institution, by the  
Bishop of Wakefield, on February 18th, of the  
new Vicar, the Rev. John Scholefield, pre-  
viously Vicar of St. George's, Sowerby.

The next Snowdon dinner is to be held at  
York on October 10th.

Mr. John R. Mayne, with a peal on Feb-  
ruary 27th, has conducted 100 peals at Wil-  
lesden.

When the peal at Caddington, Beds, was  
arranged it was hoped that the birth of a son  
to Princess Alexandra and Mr. Angus Ogilvy  
would suitably arrange itself. And so it did.

The band who rang the peal of Plain Bob  
Major at Stratton would like to congratulate  
Harry Stacey on calling his first peal, and also  
connect it with Michael Sinden to welcome him  
to the district.

A good sign of the times is the London  
County Association Master ringing a peal in  
the morning with the Master of the Cumber-  
lands and dining in the evening with the  
Master of the College Youths. Has this ever  
taken place before?

With reference to the paragraph regarding  
the retirement of Mr. Frederick E. Wilshaw,  
Mr. J. G. Burton informs us that ringing takes  
place regularly for Sunday services and on  
Tuesday evenings at Stoke-on-Trent Parish  
Church (St. Peter ad Vincula).

The first peal on the bells at Bottesford,  
Leics, rung 60 years ago, was Stedman Triples,  
conducted by the Rev. F. E. Robinson. The  
same method was rung on February 29th and  
was a 60th birthday compliment to Clarence F.  
Briggs and 80th to Arthur W. Ward, both  
ringers for many years at Bottesford.

The Royal quarter had been completed at  
Luppitt, Devon, on February 29th, and the  
treble ringer called 'Three more, miss, then  
catch in rounds.' At the catch 40 feet of  
rope descended on the second ringer. The  
incident proved how fortunate the band was  
to complete the quarter.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

With reference to our para-  
graph in 'Belfry Gossip'  
(page 144) concerning the  
Bennett family of ringers at Horncastle, Lines,  
we learn from the 'Sheffield Telegraph' that  
this family team consists of Horace Bennett  
(tower captain), his wife, Edna, and children,  
Jean (21), Joy (19), David (16) and Richard  
(10). The team get a guinea and a half under  
a local will for ringing on the anniversary of  
the Battle of Waterloo.

The ringer of the second in a peal of Minor  
at Chalfont St. Giles on February 22nd (page  
164) was Ronald Snack, and not as submitted.

The Ladies' Guild paid a special tribute to  
Princess Alexandra. Eight of the members  
assembled at Leicester and rang a peal of  
Plain Bob Major.

Mr. Walter Ayre has rung 100 peals at St.  
Mary's Church, Apsley End. There have been  
106 peals rung here since the bells were in-  
stalled in 1871. W. A. called the second in  
1923 and has now called 89.

Mr. Roy A. Ward, of Houghton Conquest,  
Beds, informs us that he rang in 183 new  
towers last year, bringing his total to 1,160.  
Of the new towers he rang all but two of the  
tenors and in all 338 individual bells. His  
towers were in 19 counties and comprised five  
twelves, 12 tens, 58 eights, 87 sixes and 11  
fives.

For over 30 years Mr. David Vincent, of  
High Legh, Cheshire, has had the ambition to  
take part in a peal rung by all 'Davids' on  
St. David's Day. The attempt was at last  
made on March 1st, when six Davids started  
for a peal of Bob Minor prior to the Patronal  
Festival Evensong at St. David's Church, New-  
town, Montgomeryshire. An enthusiastic re-  
ception to the venture was given by the Rector  
(the Rev. C. Llewellyn Jones) and Mr. H. V.  
Corfield, the tower secretary. Unfortunately  
the peal went astray after over 3,000 changes  
had been rung. It will be 1970 before the  
effort can be repeated on a Sunday. The  
band stood: David Perry (Gresley) 1, David  
Vincent (Knutsford) 2, David F. Moore (Blr-  
stall) 3, David Eames (Gresley) 4, David  
Bates (Wednesbury) 5 and David W. Parkin  
(Duffield) (cond.) 6. It is hoped that Mr. Vin-  
cent will yet achieve this worthy ambition.

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ABERGAVERN, MONMOUTHSHIRE.  
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

### **A PEAL OF 5057 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

DONALD G. CLIFT .. .. Treble	DAVID PIKE .. .. 6
JACQUELINE S. KING .. .. 2	JOHN MANLEY .. .. 7
NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON .. .. 3	DAVID J. KING .. .. 8
ROGER G. HAVARD .. .. 4	DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. .. 9
*D. KENVYN WALTERS .. .. 5	GEORGE WARD .. .. Tenor

Composed by MORRIS J. MORRIS.  
\* First peal of Caters.  
Conducted by DAVID J. KING.  
Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in D.

### **LEEDS, KENT.**

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

### **A PEAL OF 5000 OAKHAM SURPRISE ROYAL**

ALEC W. FRY .. .. Treble	MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 6
ANN JENNER .. .. 2	TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. 7
JOHN D. FAIRCLOTH .. .. 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. .. 8
ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. 4	STANLEY JENNER .. .. 9
CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. 5	PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PHILIP A. CORBY.  
First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.  
Tenor 17½ cwt. in E.

### **BOTTESFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours.

### **A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

J. W. Washbrook's variation of Thurstans' Four-Part.  
Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb. in E flat.  
\*CLARENCE F. BRIGGS .. Treble  
\*ANNE E. BATESON .. .. 2  
\*ANTHONY JACKSON .. .. 3  
FREDERICK G. HOOPER .. 4  
HAROLD STEVENSON .. .. 5  
JOHN WALDEN .. .. 6  
JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. .. 7  
\*DAVID V. STEPETIC .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples.

Rung on the 60th anniversary of the first peal on the bells.

### **HEAVITREE, EXETER, DEVON.**

### **THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.**

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,

### **A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 25 cwt. 3 qr. 2 lb. in E flat.  
JOHN H. TAYLOR .. .. Treble  
JEAN M. BARNETT .. .. 2  
ANN E. FELLOWS .. .. 3  
\*MALCOLM M. POWELL .. 4  
FRANK D. MACK .. .. 5  
ALAN CARVETH .. .. 6  
JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD .. 7  
ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. Tenor

Composed by F. WARRINGTON.  
Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

\* First peal in the method 'inside.'

### **HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.**

### **MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,

### **A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In nine methods, comprising 1,280 each of London and Rutland, 640 of Bristol and 320 each of Cambridge, Eastcote, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire; with 110 changes of method.  
ALBERT R. G. TWINN .. Treble  
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 2  
THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 3  
DINNIS KNOX .. .. 4  
JOHN HILL .. .. 5  
\*FRANK T. BLAGROVE .. 6  
\*FRANK C. PRICE .. .. 7  
JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. Tenor

Composed by ALBERT J. PITMAN.  
Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of Spliced Surprise Major. † First of 9-Spliced Surprise Major.  
Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in E flat.

### **LEICESTER.**

### **THE LADIES' GUILD.**

(The Midland District.)

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

### **A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

MRS. J. BELCHER .. .. Treble	MISS C. STRATFORD .. .. 5
MRS. B. HARTLEY .. .. 2	MRS. J. STANFORTH .. .. 6
MISS C. CORTON .. .. 3	MRS. P. A. MORRIS .. .. 7
*MRS. M. D. KINCHIN .. 4	MISS S. E. CHESTERTON .. Tenor

Composed by VALENTINE GOSLING.

Conducted by MISS S. E. CHESTERTON.

\* First peal of Major.  
Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 15 lb.

### **LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK.**

### **THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

### **A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

GEORGE W. HOWLETT .. Treble	*ANDREW E. CROWE .. .. 5
EDWIN R. GOATE .. .. 2	*LEONARD M. RAPHAEL .. 6
THOMAS BROCK .. .. 3	RALPH W. BICKERS .. .. 7
*NORMAN P. J. COSSEY .. 4	WILLIAM B. DUNCAN .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.  
Conducted by EDWIN R. GOATE.

\* First peal of Treble Bob Major.  
Tenor 13½ cwt.

### **CADDINGTON, BEDFORDSHIRE.**

### **THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,

### **AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.**

### **A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

In seven methods, being one extent each of Ipswich, Beverley, Bourne, London, York, Cambridge and Norwich.  
ANTHONY H. SMITH .. .. Treble  
JOYCE DODDS .. .. 2  
JAMES G. NEWMAN .. .. 3  
GEOFFREY DODDS .. .. 4  
ALFRED E. RUSHTON .. .. 5  
WALTER AYRE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

First peal on the bells.

### **CAWTHORNE, BARNESLEY.**

### **THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Barnsley and District Society.)**

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

### **AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.**

### **A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents in 22 methods: (1) City Delight and Stanhope Delight, (2) Burton and Rochester Treble Bob, (3) Clarence and Elston Delight, (4) Nelson and Chadkirk Treble Bob, (5) Wath, Pontefract, Carisbrooke and Donottar Delight; (6) College Pleasure and Nutfield Treble Bob, (7) St. Albans, Neasden, Wragby, Charlwood, College Bob IV, Old Oxford, Willesden and Newdigate Delight.  
ELIZABETH PEACE .. .. Treble  
CHRISTOPHER A. MOXON .. 2  
SUSAN PEACE .. .. 3  
HERMAN RUSBY .. .. 4  
TREVOR TARBATT .. .. 5  
NOEL F. MOXON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by NOEL F. MOXON.

### **CHIPPENHAM, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.**

### **THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

### **AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET.**

### **A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents.  
A. GEORGE ORBELL .. .. Treble  
DELPHINE J. FULLER .. .. 2  
COLIN JOHNSON .. .. 3  
DONALD F. MURFET .. .. 4  
DAVID W. SWEET .. .. 5  
ALAN M. BARBER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN M. BARBER.

### **GREAT GRANSDEN, HUNTINGDONSHIRE.**

### **THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

### **AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW.**

### **A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being two extents of Cambridge Surprise, one each of Oxford and Kent T.B. and St. Clement's Bob, and two of Plain Bob.  
JANE K. A. COOK .. .. Treble  
\*GEORGE E. BONHAM .. .. 2  
CHRIS. L. BILL .. .. 3  
HENRY C. FOSTER .. .. 4  
ALBERT J. DAVEY .. .. 5  
HAROLD S. PEACOCK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD S. PEACOCK.

\* First peal in five Minor methods.

### **EWELME, OXFORDSHIRE.**

### **THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

### **AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.**

### **A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Being two 2.160's and one 720 (Rev. E. Banks Jones' arrangement).  
Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb. in E flat.  
REGINALD P. TUCKWELL .. Treble  
ANGELA M. AYRES .. .. 2  
FRANK E. GODDEN .. .. 3  
JAMES E. GODMAN .. .. 4  
FRANK ABSOLOM .. .. 5  
P. GERALD McILHONNE .. Tenor

Conducted by P. GERALD McILHONNE.

First peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor for all the band.

### **WISTASTON, CHESHIRE.**

### **THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes,

### **AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.**

### **A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being two extents each of 21 methods: St. Simon, St. Albans, Eynsham, St. Martin, St. Paul, St. Leonard, St. Giles, St. Nicholas, St. Andrew, Southrepps, Rev. Canterbury, Clifford's Pleasure, St. Miles, Winchendon Place, St. John, Plain Bob, Kennington, April Day, Grandsire, Northrepps and Rev. St. Bartholomew.  
TERENCE E. TRICKETT .. Treble  
FRANK R. MORTON .. .. 2  
JOHN E. BROUGH .. .. 3  
FREDERICK S. SUTTON .. 4  
\*ANTHONY R. TRICKETT .. 5  
JAMES S. BAKER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN E. BROUGH.

\* 25th peal. First in 21 methods by all the band.  
Also for the christening of Alexandra Susan Louise, daughter of the Rev. W. S. Walker, Rector of Wistaston.

### **APSLEY END, HERTFORDSHIRE.**

### **THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Mon., March 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

### **AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.**

### **A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being one extent each of Bourne, Norwich and Cambridge S., Childwall, St. Clement's, Single Oxford and Plain Bob.  
WALTER AYRE .. .. Treble  
BRIAN M. BARKER .. .. 2  
\*GEOFFREY A. REES .. .. 3  
AUGUSTIN V. GOOD .. .. 4  
REGINALD E. J. SHEPPARD .. 5  
ANTHONY R. KENCH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal in seven methods 'inside' at first attempt. The conductor's 100th peal on these bells.  
Tenor 14½ cwt.

### **STANHOPE DELIGHT**

x 36 x 14 x 12 x 16 x 34 x 36, L.E. 12,



## TEN BELL PEALS

LEEK, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD-THE-CONFESSOR,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 18½ cwt. in E.

*TERENCE E. TRICKETT .. Treble	HAROLD WORRALL .. .. 6
*JOHN RYDER .. .. 2	HARRY W. HOWARD .. .. 7
*VICTOR STONIER .. .. 3	BARRY CORBISHLEY .. .. 8
ERNEST PIMLOTT .. .. 4	CHRISTOPHER J. JONES .. 9
FRANK R. MORTON .. .. 5	ROY WORRALL .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. J. TUCKER.

Conducted by HARRY W. HOWARD.

\* First peal on ten bells.

Rung as birthday compliments to the conductor and Kenneth Parker, of Northwich.

GREAT YARMOUTH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Feb. 27, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 30 cwt. 60 lb. in D.

JUANITA MCBRIDE .. Treble	†ARTHUR G. WIGMORE .. 6
*BRENDA SAMPSON .. .. 2	WILLIAM B. DUNCAN .. 7
EDWIN R. GOATE .. .. 3	GEORGE W. FLETCHER .. 8
PETER G. W. NEWSHAW .. 4	†PETER KINDRED .. .. 9
A. WILLIAM BIRD .. .. 5	CANON GILBERT THURLOW .. Tenor

Composed by G. H. CROSS.

Conducted by EDWIN R. GOATE.

\* First peal 'inside.' † First on ten bells.

A farewell peal to Canon Thurlow, who is shortly leaving St. Nicholas' for an appointment at Norwich Cathedral.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 18 cwt. 14 lb. in E flat.

*ALAN R. MILLIDGE .. Treble	RAYMOND E. FINCH .. .. 6
†MARGARET E. FORT .. .. 2	WILFRED G. WILSON .. .. 7
JEAN L. LAVENDER .. .. 3	ALAN E. M. BAGWORTH .. 8
*CHRISTOPHER F. MEW .. 4	STEWART F. KIMBER .. .. 9
DENNIS BERESFORD .. .. 5	FREDERICK E. COLLINS .. Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH.

Conducted by FREDERICK E. COLLINS.

\* First peal of Surprise Royal. † First of Royal.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

SAWLEY, DERBYSHIRE.

THE UNIVERSITIES' ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Feb. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 4 lb. in G.

JOHN G. HALLETT .. Treble	ROBERT E. DAY .. .. 5
*PETER WOOLLYEN .. .. 2	REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. 6
ANN HARRIS .. .. 3	DAVID R. INGRAM .. .. 7
EDMUND SHUTTLEWORTH .. 4	JOHN W. COLEMAN .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by EDMUND SHUTTLEWORTH.

\* First peal of Surprise Major.

MALVERN LINK, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHIAS.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 3 lb.

JOSEPH E. LAWRENCE .. Treble	JOHN E. WHITTALL .. .. 5
MRS. J. E. BOWEN .. .. 2	DENNIS R. MORRIS .. .. 6
CATHLEEN S. HEANEY .. .. 3	JOHN CLEMENTS .. .. 7
ARTHUR A. JOPP .. .. 4	R. GEORGE MORRIS .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by JOHN CLEMENTS.

First peal of Major as conductor.

BLECHINGLEY, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Feb. 17, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 18 cwt. in E.

DAVID C. BROOKES .. Treble	*PAUL A. BRAND .. .. 5
*MARGARET E. FORT .. .. 2	NOEL R. WAITE .. .. 6
*ALISON M. MANN .. .. 3	ALAN R. MILLIDGE .. .. 7
†ADRIAN F. R. HARTLEY .. 4	REV. ANTHONY E. CLAYTON .. Tenor

Composed by J. HOLT.

Conducted by DAVID C. BROOKES.

\* First peal of Plain Bob Triples. † First of Triples.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. in E.

*JOYCE GRAINGER .. Treble	PETER WATSON .. .. 5
*WENDY LEE .. .. 2	JOHN A. BOOTH .. .. 6
BRIAN SCHOFIELD .. .. 3	ALAN SHARPLES .. .. 7
†ALAN SCHOLFIELD .. .. 4	JOHN ROBINSON .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by JOHN ROBINSON.

\* First peal. † First on eight bells.

BANWELL, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 23 cwt. 4 lb. in D.

JENNIFER M. TAYLOR .. Treble	D. JOHN HUNT .. .. 5
*GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. .. 2	JAMES R. TAYLOR .. .. 6
*GORDON W. LAND .. .. 3	RALPH G. EDWARDS .. .. 7
PETER BRIDLE .. .. 4	A. PATRICK CANNON .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

\* First peal of Lincolnshire.

PUTNEY, LONDON.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

CHARLES W. OTTLEY .. Treble	*CHRISTOPHER F. MEW .. 5
FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. .. 2	ALAN E. BAGWORTH .. 6
*ALAN R. MILLIDGE .. .. 3	*ANTHONY G. TYERS .. .. 7
*PAUL A. BRAND .. .. 4	J. KEITH WARD .. .. Tenor

Composed by P. G. K. DAVIES.

Conducted by J. KEITH WARD.

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

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

SPROTBOROUGH, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in B flat.

JAMES THORLEY .. Treble	CLIFFORD TOYNE .. .. 5
W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. .. 2	JAMES MCCLUSKEY .. .. 6
ERNEST SHORT .. .. 3	HAROLD WAGSTAFFE .. .. 7
HAROLD DENMAN .. .. 4	LESLIE M. WOODHEAD .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. BURTON.

Conducted by LESLIE M. WOODHEAD.

First peal on the augmented and recast eight bells.

WESTERHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 23 cwt. 17 lb. in E flat.

*STANLEY JENNER .. Treble	†ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. 5
†JEAN L. LAVENDER .. .. 2	†COLIN A. TESTER .. .. 6
†ANN JENNER .. .. 3	†STEWART F. W. KIMBER .. 7
†OLIVE D. TESTER .. .. 4	*PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. Tenor

Composed by STANLEY JENNER.

Conducted by PHILIP A. CORBY.

\* 50th peal together. † First in the method. \* 75th peal.

A birthday compliment to Mrs. P. A. Corby (February 24th) and Judith M. Corby (February 25th).

SCORTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Feb. 23, 1964, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Dr. A. B. Carpenter's transposition of Thurstans.	Tenor 18 cwt.
CYRIL CROSTHWAITE .. Treble	ERNEST BENNETT .. .. 5
DIANA J. HANDLEY .. .. 2	*STANLEY ANDERTON .. .. 6
MAYRL R. CROSTHWAITE .. 3	JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. 7
PHILIP J. CROSTHWAITE .. 4	PETER HANDLEY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CYRIL CROSTHWAITE.

\* First peal in the method.

Rung on the sixth anniversary of the induction of the Rev. P. Holinrake.

WITHYHAM, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Feb. 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 9 lb. in E.

MARGARET A. LADD .. Treble	EDWIN A. BARNETT .. .. 5
*ROSEMARY H. HEIGHES .. 2	FRANK I. HAIRS .. .. 6
THOMAS E. SONE .. .. 3	ERNEST J. LADD .. .. 7
ANN JENNER .. .. 4	STANLEY JENNER .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by ERNEST J. LADD.

\* First peal of Major.



OXFORD.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Feb. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Ebbe.

A PEAL OF 5216 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 4 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

CHARLES COLES .. .. .	Treble	PETER J. HERITAGE .. .. .	5
A. JAMES ADAMS .. .. .	2	CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. .. .	6
EDWARD R. VENN .. .. .	3	BRIAN W. HALL .. .. .	7
FREDERICK W. SODEN .. .. .	4	ALAN R. PINK .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX.

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

Rung for the Feast of St. Matthias.

GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Wed., Feb. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

THURSTONS' Four-Part.		Tenor 8 cwt. 23 lb. in G.	
HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE	Treble	SYLVIA R. E. PIPE .. .. .	5
*NEVILLE F. WHITTELL .. .. .	2	†ANDREW T. BECKWITH .. .. .	6
*ROGER L. K. WHITTELL .. .. .	3	GEORGE W. PIPE .. .. .	7
*JAMES B. MORLEY .. .. .	4	CECIL W. PIPE .. .. .	Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE W. PIPE.

\*First peal in the method. †First of Triples in the method. First attempt for Stedman Triples as conductor.

Rung by S.E. District members, and as a birthday compliment to James Bennett.

BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thurs., Feb. 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.

A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 38 lb. in A.

MURIEL REAY .. .. .	Treble	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. .	5
EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. .	2	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. .	6
NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. .	3	PETER BORDER .. .. .	7
GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. .	4	CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by S. J. IVIN.

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Feb. 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary.

A PEAL OF 5088 WALLASEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

SUSAN E. SMITH .. .. .	Treble	DENNIS KNOX .. .. .	5
JOAN BRESFORD .. .. .	2	JOHN HILL .. .. .	6
THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. .	3	JACK S. DEAR .. .. .	7
*ALICK CUTLER .. .. .	4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\*600th peal. First in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.

BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.

A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 38 lb. in A.

EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. .	Treble	GEORFFREY DAVIES .. .. .	5
MURIEL REAY .. .. .	2	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. .	6
FREDERICK ROSS .. .. .	3	CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. .. .	7
J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. .	4	GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by H. LAW JAMES.

Conducted by GEORGE E. FEARN.

The conductor's 100th peal of Lincolnshire S. Major.

BISLEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

At the Church of All Saints.

A PEAL OF 5120 BELVEDERE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. (approx.)

MICHAEL STANLEY .. .. .	Treble	ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. .	5
JAMES R. TAYLOR .. .. .	2	GORDON W. LAND .. .. .	6
GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. .. .	3	D. JOHN HUNT .. .. .	7
JENNIFER M. TAYLOR .. .. .	4	BRIAN BLADON .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by R. F. B. SPEED.

Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

75th peal as conductor. First in the method for the Association, on the bells, and by all the band. Believed to be the first peal on the bells since 1920.

DORCHESTER, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

At the Abbey Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt.

HAROLD W. DUNSDEN .. .. .	Treble	REGINALD F. CROOK .. .. .	5
REGINALD W. REX .. .. .	2	DENBY P. MURDUCK .. .. .	6
ROBERT B. BLOND .. .. .	3	PHILIP MURDUCK .. .. .	7
CLAUDE CORDEROY .. .. .	4	GEORFFREY K. DODD .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by A. P. CANNON.

Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.

ESCRICK, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(York Minster Society.)

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Helen.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb.

SEDMAN H. STEEL .. .. .	Treble	GEORGE PLUCKROSE .. .. .	5
*SUSAN THOMPSON (16) .. .. .	2	A. W. ALAN LEGGETT .. .. .	6
DAVID PEARSON .. .. .	3	MICHAEL D. STANFORTH .. .. .	7
MARGARET E. WILKINSON .. .. .	4	HAROLD WALKER .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by F. BENNETT.

Conducted by HAROLD WALKER.

\*First peal, and has been ringing for less than 12 months.

HALEWOOD, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Nicholas.

A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb. in G.

TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. .. .	Treble	IAN M. SMITH .. .. .	5
CLARE DILLAMORE .. .. .	2	IAN MUNRO .. .. .	6
ANDREW S. HUDSON .. .. .	3	KENNETH J. HESKETH .. .. .	7
ANTHONY R. KENCH .. .. .	4	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by S. IVIN.

Conducted by TUDOR P. EDWARDS.

HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

A PEAL OF 5152 HARLOW SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 9 lb. in G.

PETER G. BROWN .. .. .	Treble	*JOE E. G. ROAST .. .. .	5
JAMES L. TOWLER .. .. .	2	IAN R. PANTON .. .. .	6
MICHAEL J. COWLING .. .. .	3	†JOHN WEST .. .. .	7
*DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. .. .	4	PATRICK W. SALTmarsh .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by A. S. HUDSON.

Conducted by JOE E. G. ROAST.

\*100th peal of Surprise Major. †First of Surprise Major 'inside'.

First in the method (H. and M. No. 2,067).

In memoriam George Green, of Great Baddow, life vice-president Essex Association from 1947 and a ringer for 77 years.

HENLEY-ON-THAMES, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. in D.

ROYSTON BLACKLER .. .. .	Treble	SYDNEY M. BAILEY .. .. .	5
JANE B. TUFFIN .. .. .	2	E. DENNIS POOLF .. .. .	6
JOYCE I. BARTON .. .. .	3	RICHARD E. DEAN .. .. .	7
JOHN YOUNG .. .. .	4	DAVID A. CORNWALL .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by GEORGE WILLIAMS. Conducted by DAVID A. CORNWALL.

STRATTON, CORNWALL.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Andrew.

A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb. in E flat.

D. ROY BOULD .. .. .	Treble	ANTHONY LOCKE .. .. .	5
MICHAEL SINDEN .. .. .	2	HORACE HEARD .. .. .	6
MARGARET A. BOULD .. .. .	3	ANTHONY J. DAVIDSON .. .. .	7
*EDGAR NUNN .. .. .	4	HARRY STACEY .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by J. BARKER.

Conducted by HARRY STACEY.

\*First peal of Major. First as conductor.

A compliment to Horace Heard on the birth of his second grandson: also a birthday compliment to the conductor.

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## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

HINSTOCK, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., Feb. 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In five methods, being two extents each of Single Oxford Bob and Plain Bob and one each St. Clement's Bob, Kent T.B. and Oxford T.B.

Tenor 7 cwt.

E. MARION KEY .. .. Treble	WILLIAM G. TALBOT .. .. 4
BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. 2	RICHARD E. MORRIS .. .. 5
*EDWARD V. RODENHURST 3	HOWARD HOWELL .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

\* 700th peal.

CROPTHORNE, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Feb. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

*RONALD J. STEPHENS .. Treble	†IAN LLOYD .. .. 4
JOHN H. FIRKINS .. .. 2	ARTHUR A. JOPP .. .. 5
JAMES ATTWOOD, JUN. .. 3	ARTHUR C. BERRY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR C. BERRY.

\* First peal attempt. † First of Minor. First of Minor as conductor. A 21st birthday compliment to Miss B. Moore.

DANEHILL, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(Northern Division.)

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

*LYNN TAYLOR .. .. Treble	*BETTY M. BUTLER .. .. 4
*PEGGY M. BUTCHER .. .. 2	†ALLAN J. BUTCHER .. .. 5
DEREK SLATER .. .. 3	FRANK H. HICKS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK H. HICKS.

\* First peal attempt. † First of Minor 'inside.' First of Minor on the bells.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.

AT THE BOYS' BRIGADE H.Q.

(St. Mary-at-Quay).

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being two extents each of London and Ipswich and three of Cambridge.

Tenor 7 cwt.

ALAN R. BRIDGES .. .. Treble	KENNETH J. HESKETH .. .. 4
ALICE E. J. LESTER .. .. 2	ALAN M. BARBER .. .. 5
NEVILLE F. WHITTILL .. 3	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. THODAY.

KIRK DEIGHTON, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in G.

JOHN WEAVER .. .. Treble	C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. 4
JANICE M. SMITH .. .. 2	ANTHONY O. SHEARD .. .. 5
DINAH M. BLOW .. .. 3	JEFFREY J. FOX .. .. Tenor

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

The conductor is the first person to 'circle the tower.'

ST. PAUL'S WALDEN, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven different extents, with 5-6 the right way throughout.

Tenor 11½ cwt. in F.

BARBARA M. GOODSPEED .. Treble	*ROGER D. R. BROWN .. .. 4
*SHEILA BROWN .. .. 2	†GEOFFREY DODDS .. .. 5
†JOYCE DODDS .. .. 3	GERALD PENNEY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

\* First peal of Surprise. † First of Cambridge Surprise Minor.

Rung to mark the recovery of H.M. Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother (a native of this parish) after her recent operation.

SELLINDGE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

VIOLET I. E. RELF .. .. Treble	*LLOYD SWEATMAN .. .. 4
JOSEPHINE D. HARDY .. .. 2	NICHOLAS J. DAVIES .. .. 5
PETER RICHARDSON .. .. 3	MARK W. MARSHALL .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MARK W. MARSHALL.

\* First peal of Minor.

Rung to celebrate the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. John R. Cooper, of Hothfield, Kent.

SOUTH STOKE, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.

Tenor 9 cwt. in A flat.

*VICTOR FOX .. .. Treble	†DAVID PIMM .. .. 4
FRANK ABSOLOM .. .. 2	†DOUGLAS EXON .. .. 5
JAMES GODMAN .. .. 3	ANDREW HOWES .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ANDREW HOWES.

\* First peal of Minor. † First peal. First as conductor.

WARNFORD, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF WARNFORD.

A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven 720's.

Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.

JESSIE M. KIPPIN .. .. Treble	*DEREK A. COX .. .. 4
BERYL R. SIMPSON .. .. 2	DEREK C. WHITE .. .. 5
ALAN D. ELSMORE .. .. 3	CHARLES H. KIPPIN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES H. KIPPIN.

\* First peal.

WARSOP, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

Tenor 14½ cwt.

*A. CATHERINE ROOKE .. Treble	GEORGE CHALLANS .. .. 4
GRACE BURCHNALL .. .. 2	FRANK COOKE .. .. 5
KATHERINE BURCHNALL .. 3	HERBERT T. ROOKE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT T. ROOKE.

\* First peal of Treble Bob.

WHITLEY, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION,

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In two methods, being three extents of St. Clement's and four of Plain Bob.

Tenor 5 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb. in G sharp.

*RODNEY SMITH .. .. Treble	ANTHONY O. SHEARD .. .. 4
DINAH M. BLOW .. .. 2	†JOHN WEAVER .. .. 5
JEFFREY J. FOX .. .. 3	C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

\* First peal away from cover bell. † 25th peal under this conductor.

WILFORD, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRED.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 20 extents Plain Bob and 22 of Grandsire.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

JANE DOWSE .. .. Treble	MAURICE W. HARRISON .. .. 3
RUTH BLACKSHAW .. .. 2	GRAHAM FISHER .. .. 4
SYDNEY ADAMS .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by SYDNEY ADAMS.

SYDMONTON, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Feb. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

A PEAL OF 5040 MIXED DOUBLES

Being ten extents of Bob Doubles and 32 of Grandsire Doubles.

*COLLEEN PRICOT (15) .. Treble	EDDIE COX (15) .. .. 4
*SHEILA TAYLOR .. .. 2	GEOFF. K. DODD .. .. 5
DENBY P. MURDUCK .. .. 3	†PHILIP MURDUCK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFF. K. DODD.

\* First peal attempt. † 25th peal.

Tenor 8 cwt.

FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Feb. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

*GRAHAM DODD .. .. Treble	*ALFRED S. MASON .. .. 4
GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. .. 2	*ROY E. COCKADAY .. .. 5
JOSEPH THORNEY .. .. 3	SYDNEY G. OSBORNE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by SYDNEY G. OSBORNE.

\* First peal.

Rung to the honoured memory of Father W. E. Davis-Winstone, one-time vicar of this parish, who died recently whilst living in retirement in Sussex.

Tenor 12½ cwt. 8 lb. in G.

SAPCOTE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Feb. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, viz.: (1) London. (2) Netherseale. (3) Ipswich. (4) Bourne. (5) Surfleet. (6) Beverley. (7) Cambridge.

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in A flat.

CHRISTOPHER M. STURGESS Treble	†MICHAEL E. BROWN .. .. 4
*MRS. JILL BELCHER .. .. 2	BRIAN L. BURROWS .. .. 5
*K. PAUL GILLIVER .. .. 3	JOHN WATKINS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

\* First peal in seven Surprise methods. † 100th peal of Surprise. A 21st birthday compliment to Jennifer Stratford and also for her engagement to David Meadows.



## ASHWELL, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one 720 of Cambridge Surprise, one 720 of Oxford Treble Bob,  
one 720 of Kent Treble Bob and four 720's of Plain Bob.

Tenor 18 cwt. in E.

ALFRED E. RUSHTON .. .. Treble	DAVID R. SAUNDERSON .. .. 4
MARTIN PRESS .. .. 2	PHILIP MEHEW .. .. 5
ANTHONY H. SMITH .. .. 3	A. PATRICK CANNON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

## BALLYLESSON, CO. DOWN.

## THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,  
At the Church of the Holy Trinity, DRUMBO.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb.

*ROSEMARY THOMPSON .. Treble	JEAN JEFFERY .. .. 4
*PHILIP C. KIMBER .. .. 2	JOHN T. DUNWOODY .. .. 5
*RAYMOND F. BAIN .. .. 3	†JONATHAN S. N. PORTER .. Tenor

Conducted by JONATHAN S. N. PORTER.

\* First peal of Minor. † First of Plain Bob Minor, and as conductor.  
Rung in memorial Rev. R. M. Ellis, B.A., Curate of St. Comgall's,  
Bangor, who died on February 23rd.

## LITTLE ASTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In six methods, being one extent each of Oxford T.B., Kent T.B.,  
Single Oxford, Double Oxford and St. Clement's College Bob, and  
two of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 13 lb.

EDWARD W. COLLEY .. Treble	MARILYN C. SMITH .. .. 4
*CYNTHIA M. FOLLIS .. .. 2	MICHAEL W. FAIREY .. .. 5
D. KAY MOORE .. .. 3	P. GEORGE GOLDER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL W. FAIREY.

\* First peal 'inside.' First of Minor in six methods by all except  
the treble ringer.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## BUSHEY HEATH, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., Feb. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes,  
At 39, TITIAN AVENUE.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 11 methods, comprising 640 each of Bristol, London, Rutland, Wat-  
ford and Wembley, and 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Lindum,  
Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire; with 139 changes of method.

Tenor size 15 in C.

S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN 1-2	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 5-6
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY 3-4	ROGER BALDWIN .. .. 7-8

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

## ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., Feb. 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,  
At 182, TIPPEDELL LANE.

## A PEAL OF 5120 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

BARBARA M. GOODSPEED .. 1-2	GERALD PENNEY .. .. 5-6
MARTYN L. J. JORDAN .. 3-4	*CHRISTINE M. RIMMER .. 7-8

Arranged and Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

\* First handbell peal.

Tenor size 16 in B flat.

## BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(The Humphrey Perkins School Campanological Society.)

On Fri., Feb. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 3 Minutes,  
At the HUMPHREY PERKINS SCHOOL.

## A PEAL OF 5152 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

*DAN S. PONT .. .. 1-2	B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. .. 5-6
RUPERT A. CLARKE .. .. 3-4	REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. 7-8

Arranged and Conducted by REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE.

\* 25th peal.

## SWINDON, WILTSHIRE.

## NON-ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Feb. 28, 1964, in 1 Hour and 57 Minutes,

At the BANDSTAND, SWINDON TOWN GARDENS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor size 11 in G.

CHRISTINE G. PAYNE .. .. 1-2	FRIDERICK W. JENKINS .. 3-4
BRIAN BLADON .. .. 5-6	

Conducted by BRIAN BLADON.

To mark the retirement of Albert Jenkins, father of the ringer of  
3-4, after 41 years as groundman of the Town Gardens.

ASH, SURREY.—On Feb. 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob  
Minor: Angela Hawes 1, S. Russell 2, C. J.  
Harwood 3, J. Collier 4, E. Sherwood 5, P. Sher-  
wood (cond.) 6. For Evensong, and a welcome  
to the Rector on returning from hospital.

BALDERTON, NOTTS.—On Feb. 15th, 1,376  
London Surprise Major: M. Barsby 1, Mary C.  
Poyner 2, Beryl N. Reed 3, W. L. Exton 4, J.  
Freeman 5, C. Reed 6, B. S. Payne 7, H. Poyner  
(cond.) 8.

BARKING, SUFFOLK.—On Feb. 17th, 1,260  
Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. R. E. Lester 1, R. E. Lester  
(cond.) 2, E. J. Lockwood 3, Mrs. E. J. Lockwood  
4, Miss A. E. J. Lester 5, J. J. Prentice 6. For  
service of progress of Cross and Arrows.

BRISTOL.—At St. Matthew's, Kingsdown, on Feb.  
22nd, 1,344 Double Norwich C.B. Major: P. Bridge  
1, C. M. Foster (first of D.N.C.B.) 2, Jennifer M.  
Taylor 3, Gillian M. Hussey 4, R. G. Edwards 5,  
J. R. Taylor 6, D. J. Hunt 7, A. P. Cannon (cond.)  
8.

BROMHAM, BEDS.—On Feb. 23rd, 1,260 'Plain  
Bob Minor: A. Bowman (first quarter) 1, Miss P. M.  
Stratton 2, Miss K. A. Rivett 3, R. Chapman 4,  
D. A. Hammond (first quarter) 5, F. W. Rivett  
(cond.) 6. Rung on the back six for Matins. First  
quarter by the present Sunday service band.

CAMBRIDGE.—At the Church of St. Andrew-the-  
Great, on Feb. 16th, 1,280 Kent and Oxford T.B.  
Major (Ikeston Variation): L. M. H. Smith 1,  
C. H. Rogers 2, Claire Dillamore 3, K. J. Triplov  
4, K. J. Darvill (cond.) 5, A. S. Hudson 6, C. A.  
Friskney 7, V. Nutton 8. First in variation 2, 4, 5  
and 7. Also on Feb. 23rd, 1,280 Spliced Surprise  
Major (six methods): J. R. Hough 1, Claire Dillamore  
2, A. S. Hudson (cond.) 3, I. M. Smith 4, J. M. H.  
Hunter 5, P. W. Saltmarsh 6, C. H. Rogers 7,  
S. C. Walters 8.

CANTON, CAMBS.—On Feb. 22nd, 1,260 Minor  
(Kent T.B. and Plain Bob): W. A. R. Chamberlain  
1, M. J. Dyer 2, Mary E. Edwards 3, G. E. Bonham  
4, J. H. Edwards 5, L. F. Bailey (cond.) 6.

DOWNTON, WILTS.—On Feb. 21st, 1,260 Grand-  
sire Doubles: A. R. Payne (first quarter) 1, R. N.  
Marlow 2, C. F. Haines 3, J. Muscell 4, R. Haines  
(cond.) 5, C. Churchill 6.

EASTHAMPTON, BERKS.—On Feb. 23rd, 1,260  
Plain Bob Minor: N. Rapley 1, Dorothy Humphries  
2, Joan A. Rance 3, C. W. Bailey 4, W. Churchill  
5, A. J. N. Rance (cond.) 6. For evening service.

## QUARTER PEALS

HEAVITREE, EXETER.—On Feb. 23rd, 1,280  
Superlative Surprise Major: Miss J. Smith 1, Miss A.  
Fellows 2, Miss J. Barnett 3, J. A. D. Woolford 4,  
M. Lock 5, C. Reeves 6, F. Wreford 7, N. Mallett  
(first in method as cond.) 8. First in method 1, 3  
and 7. For Evensong, by members of the Sunday  
service band.

HEIGHTON, DARLINGTON.—On Feb. 9th, 1,264  
Plain Bob Major: Mrs. V. Jackson 1-2, H.  
Kitching 3-4, C. Reeve 5-6, E. Jackson (cond.)  
7-8. First quarter 3-4. First of Major by all the  
band.

HENBURY, BRISTOL.—On Feb. 9th, 1,344 Plain  
Bob Major: Gilliam M. Hussey 1, A. Tubb (first  
of Major as cond.) 2, C. A. Abbot 3, R. Huddleston 4,  
B. Huddleston 5, D. Huddleston 6, D. A. Burt  
(25th quarter) 7, D. J. Hunt 8. First of Major  
3, 4, 5, 6. For Evensong.

LLANBADARN FAWR, CARDS.—On Feb. 16th,  
1,260 Doubles (six methods): Miss K. Maylott 1,  
Miss C. M. Hiscock 2, Miss G. E. Graney 3, Miss  
G. Storer 4, C. A. Lewis (cond.) 5, H. L. Hatfield  
6. By the U.C.W., Aberystwyth, Society, for  
Evensong.

LONDON.—At St. Clement Danes', on Feb. 23rd,  
1,440 Cambridge Surprise Royal: Mrs. S. Cobb 1,  
P. Chapman 2, C. E. Willington 3, M. Austin  
4, D. Ellidson 5, R. Tomlin 6, R. Chapman 7,  
D. Cobb 8, D. Hewitt 9, F. V. Gant (cond.) 10.  
For Evensong.

MADELEY, STAFFS.—On Feb. 22nd, 1,260  
Plain Bob Minor: Pat Mills 1, Madeleine McCallion  
2, G. C. Beech 3, D. Midgley 4, R. J. Ballard 5,  
P. W. Gay (first of Minor as cond.) 6.

SEVENOAKS, KENT.—On Feb. 16th, 1,280 Cam-  
bridge Surprise Major: Mrs. P. A. Corby 1, Judith  
M. Corby 2, Isabel M. Pearce 3, Doris E. Colgate 4,  
R. V. Fuller 5, A. J. Corby (cond.) 6, P. A. Corby  
7, R. Pankhurst 8. For Evensong.

STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.—On Feb.  
12th, 1,260 Mixed Doubles (five methods): Sheila  
Haskins 1, Pauline A. Lansley 2, M. J. Stanley 3,  
V. Griffin (cond.) 4, Rev. R. G. Bryant 5. For Ash  
Wednesday service.

SLOUGH, BUCKS.—On Feb. 23rd, 1,332 Plain  
Bob Caters: D. C. Bartholomew 1, A. D. Rivers 2,  
G. R. Shedden 3, H. A. Bradbury 4, J. K. Ward  
5, D. M. Hibbert (first on 10 bells) 6, D. P.  
Hilling (cond.) 7, M. Hatchett 8, W. Birmingham 9,  
R. J. Foster (first on 10 bells) 10. First quarter of  
Plain Bob Caters for all except 5 and 9. Ringers of  
1, 4, 6 and 8 are from Rickmansworth.

STRENSHAM, WORCS.—On Feb. 28th, 1,260  
Grandsire Doubles: Joan Gaine 1, A. Halling 2, R.  
Hill (first 'inside') 3, M. Hawkes 4, C. Haylings  
(cond.) 5, B. Spiers 6. The conductor has 'circled'  
the tower.

TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.—On Feb. 16th,  
1,260 Doubles (Reverse St. Bartholomew and Grand-  
sire) (7, 6, 8 covering): Barbara Smith 1, J. R.  
Hobbs 2, Jean Lee 3, A. F. Lee (cond.) 4, Shirley  
Cox 5, M. Hawkins 6, D. F. Jefferies 7, R.  
Coles 8. First quarter for 1, 5, 6 and 8; all aged 13.

WATH-ON-DEARNE, YORKS.—On Feb. 20th,  
1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. M. A. Heppenstall 1,  
W. Green 2, J. P. Oxer (first quarter) 3, J. M.  
Brook 4, B. Heppenstall 5, Miss S. Crossley (first as  
cond.) 6. By Sunday service band as a 77th birth-  
day compliment to ringer of 2.

WICKHAM, CO. DURHAM.—On Feb. 10th, 1,260  
Plain Bob Minor: Miss G. Wardhaugh 1, Miss G.  
Douglas 2, M. Maughan (cond.) 3, J. Crowther 4,  
S. Thompson 5, W. Davidson 6. Also on Feb. 10th,  
1,260 Doubles (four methods): W. Davidson 1, J.  
Crowther 2, S. Thompson 3, Miss G. Douglas (first in  
four methods) 4, M. Maughan (cond.) 5. A birthday  
compliment to Miss Glenys Wardhaugh. Also on Feb.  
16th, 1,260 Doubles (seven methods): Miss G. Ward-  
haugh 1, W. Davidson 2, S. Thompson 3, J. Crowther  
4, M. Maughan (cond.) 5. First in seven methods for  
all. For Evensong.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.—On Feb. 16th, 1,264  
Plain Bob Major: I. Dear (first of Major) 1, D.  
Hawkins 2, M. C. Austin 3, R. Durrant 4, H.  
Duncan 5, P. D. Chapman 6, R. J. Chapman 7,  
D. E. Cobb (cond.) 8. For Matins. Also on Feb.  
23rd, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Janet Secker 1, Susan  
Secker 2, June Whitcher 3, Sally Cobb 4, D. Haw-  
kins 5, D. E. Cobb 6, H. Duncan 7, R. J. Chap-  
man (cond.) 8, R. Durrant 9, M. C. Austin 10.  
WARNFORD, HANTS.—On Feb. 29th, 1,259  
Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: J. E. Clark 1,  
R. A. Stone 2, J. H. Payton 3, M. D. Fuller 4,  
K. G. Waller (cond.) 5, T. White 6.



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**DARMON.**—On March 5th, 1964, to Jean and Stanley Darmon, a son. Present address: Spring Hill, Helsby, Warrington, Lancs.

### DEATH

**LOVE.**—On March 2nd, 1964, William of 52, Spencer Street, Norwich, husband of Ethel. 4288

### IN MEMORIAM

**MYERS.**—To the memory of George Harry Myers of Plymouth, who died March 14th, 1960. Loved and remembered always. 4289

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The address of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Exell is now 121, Stockwood Lane, Bristol. 4. 4281

### PERSONAL

**ANNO DOMINI.**—Have a happy day, wish I could share it with you. The wheels are square. Treasured memories.—Nuppitt. 4271

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.—Hebrews iv, 16.

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**BURSLEM DELIGHT.**—The article for which the Editor could not find room may be obtained post free from H. Poyner, 9, Richmond Road, Retford, Notts. 4215

### MISCELLANEOUS

**BIRMINGHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.**—A few seats vacant on ringing tour, April 1st—8th, in Kent. Accommodation and transport arranged. Full details from the Secretary, Miss Rosemary Tailby, 232, School Road, Yardley Wood, Birmingham, 14. 4279

**ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.**—Practice night changed to Monday, 7-9 p.m. Sunday ringing: 5.45-6.30 p.m., also after Easter, 10.15-11 a.m. Visitors are always very welcome.—George E. Bonham. 4308

**SOCIETY OF RAMBLING RINGERS.**—The 1964 (Yorkshire) tour list is now available. Copies for the first week will not be forwarded unless specially requested. Subscriptions are also due, payable to W. A. Lacey, Hon. Sec., 9a, Hollow Road, Anstey, Leicester. 4283

**SURPRISE MAJOR PRACTICE** at Holy Trinity, Guildford on Thursday, March 19th. Methods: Bristol, Ealing, Lincolnshire, London, Rutland and Bristol, London, Cambridge. Superlative Spliced. 4300

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Instructional Courses, March practice at Benilton to be on Thursday 19th instead of Wednesday 18th. April practice on Wednesday 22nd as planned. 4269

**UNIVERSITIES ASSOCIATION.**—The address of the Secretary D. C. Exell, is now 121, Stockwood Lane, Bristol, 4. 4280

### BACK NUMBERS

'The Ringing World' has received a very generous gift of back numbers dating from 1919 to 1959. While some are brown with the passing of years, the majority are clean and serviceable. We propose to offer these to readers who want to complete their files. The charge will be 8d. per copy post free.

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### MEETINGS

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chesterfield District.—Monthly meeting at Wingerworth on Saturday, March 14th. Bells (5) from 3-4.30 p.m. North Wingfield (8) from 6-8.30 p.m. Own tea arrangements.—Malcolm Phipps, Dis. Sec. 4262

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Cambridge District.—Meeting at Duxford (6) on Saturday, March 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Whittlesford (6) also available after the meeting.—B. D. Threlfall, Dis. Sec. 4239

**ELY ASSOCIATION.**—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting, Wisbech St. Mary, Saturday, March 14th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 4243

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Meeting at Gestingthorpe, Saturday, March 14th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Striking competition cancelled. Names for tea please, to Mr. P. Wood, 4, Duck End, Finch- ingfield, Braintree. 4187

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual general meeting of the Guild will be held in Holy Trinity Hall on Saturday, March 14th, preceded by the Guild form of service, conducted by the Rev. D. Bentley, in Holy Trinity Church at 4.30 p.m., and tea in the hall. Please send names in good time of those requiring tea to Mrs. J. May, 15, Rydens Close, Old Woking, Woking (Woking 5236). Ringing arrangements: Stoke-next-Guildford, 3-4.15; St. Mary's, Guildford, 3-4.15; Holy Trinity, Guildford, 3-4.30; St. Nicolas', Guildford, 7 (approx.) to 9 p.m.—D. A. R. May (Master), S. T. A. Russell (Hon. Gen. Sec.). 4202

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—The March meeting will be held at Northchurch on Saturday, 14th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. R. Ashby, 110, High Street, Northchurch, Herts. No name no tea.—R. Sheppard, Sec. 4264

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—Quarterly meeting at Headcorn, Saturday, March 14th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. G. W. Grant, 5, Wealden View, Headcorn.—T. A. Cross, Dis. Sec. 4236

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Western District.—Annual meeting at Blagdon (8) on Saturday, March 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. Kingcott, The Garage, Wrington, Bristol. 4223

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Loughborough District.—Monthly meeting, March 14th, at Whitwick. Bells (8) 3.20 n.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea at Constitutional Club. Names for tea not required. 4219

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—N. and E. District.—Saturday, March 14th. Willesden. Ringing from 4.30 p.m. Service 5.30. Tea 6 p.m. Evening ringing. Bells of St. Andrew's, Kingsbury, available 2.30 to 3.30 p.m.—E. H. Kilby, Hon. Dis. Sec. 4224

**SOUTHAMPTON UNIVERSITY GUILD.**—Annual general meeting on Saturday, March 14th. Ringing at North Stoneham at 3 p.m. followed by service. Tea and meeting, Chamberlain Hall 5 p.m. All welcome. 4291

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bingham and Newark District.—Meeting at East Bridgford, Lowdham and Gonalston, March 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. East Bridgford, Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to W. L. Exton, St. Ouen's, Wharton.—R. Blackshaw. 4277

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Cheltenham Branch.—Monthly meeting St. Mary's, Charlton Kings (8), Tuesday, March 17th at 7.30 p.m.—Rev. J. Homfray, Branch Sec. 4277

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Chippenhams Branch.—Meeting, Tuesday, March 17th, St. Andrew's, Chippenhams, Ringing 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.—H. Heath. 4295

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Axbridge Branch.—Practice meeting at Congresbury, Saturday, March 21st. Bells (8) available 5 p.m.—M. Legg, Hon. Branch Sec. 4286

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Branch.—Practice meeting at Portishead (8) on Saturday, March 21st. Bells available 5 p.m.—D. G. Yeo, Hon. Branch Sec. 3909

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Macclesfield Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, March 21st, Gawsorth. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Bring own tea.—H. C. Lanyon. 4247

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wirral Branch.—St. Hilary's, Wallasey, March 21st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea free for those notifying by Thursday previous.—Alexander J. Martin, 28, Glenmore Road, Oxtown, Birkenhead. 4306

**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Coventry Archdeaconry District meeting at Atherton on Saturday, March 21st. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to L. M. Callow, 36, Torbay Road, Coventry. 4284

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Meeting at Arksey, Saturday, March 21st at 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names to E. Cooper, 6, Grosvenor Crescent, Arksey, Doncaster.—J. Laughton Hon. Sec. 4278

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Rural Branch.—Quarterly meeting Saturday, March 21st, Coalpit Heath. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Names for tea before Thursday, 19th, to T. Jefferies, 19, Blackhorse Road, Mangotsfield. 4301

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Cirencester Branch.—Windrush, March 21st. 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. names please, Sherborne 6.30 p.m.—R. Wenban, 21, Aldsworth Road, Bibury, Glos. 4302

**HAWKHURST GUILD.**—Meeting Sedlescombe, recently repaired, Saturday, March 21st. Anyone wishing tea must notify me by March 20th.—E. A. Fellows, 9, Blacklands, Sedlescombe, Battle. 4296

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—Meeting at Waterfoot on March 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m. meeting to follow. Please note change of tower, Ramsbottom bells are not ringable at present. All welcome.—R. Holt, Sec. 4287

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Market Harborough District.—Meeting Foxton, March 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Shoulder of Mutton. Please note change of meeting.—L. W. Allen. 4303

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hinckley District.—Meeting Broughton Astley, Saturday, March 21st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea followed by business meeting in the Parish Hall at 5. Names for tea by the Wednesday previous, please, to Mr. W. Drury, Willowbrook, Cosby Road, Broughton Astley. Tel.: Sutton Elms 234.—M. Vernon, Dis. Sec. 4272

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—5.W. District.—Practice on March 21st at Staines. Ringing at St. Mary's 3 to 5 p.m. Own tea arrangements. Ringing at St. Peter's 6 to 8 p.m. 1964 subscriptions now due.—F. J. Blagrove. 4290

**MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.**—Please note next meeting at Kingsbury, March 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. All visitors welcomed.—J. Cotton. 4283

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northampton Branch.—Meeting at Wootton, Saturday, March 21st. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to B. E. Frost, 40, Foxgrove Avenue, Northampton. 4190

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Salisbury Branch.—March 21st, practice meeting. Chilmark. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names by Tuesday, 17th.—G. A. Trimby, Hon. Sec., 24, West Street, Wilton. 4229

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Meeting, Pewsey, Saturday, March 21st. Names for tea essential by March 17th to T. A. Palmer, 16, Oxford Street, Aldbourne, Marlborough, Wilts. 4298



**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Mansfield District.—Meeting at Kirkby-in-Ashfield (5) at 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 21st. Names for tea by Wednesday, 18th, to Miss T. Staples. 43. Frederick Avenue, Kirkby-in-Ashfield or phone Kirkby 2293.—Sec. 4304

**STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.**—Meeting at Aldridge, Saturday, March 21st. Bells (6) available 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea, please, no later than March 18th to M. T. Mulvey, 110, Whetstone Lane, Aldridge, near Walsall, Staffs.—C. M. S. Hon. Sec. 4233

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting, Dorking, March 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss Clear, 'Murree', Lonsdale Road, Dorking, before March 18th.—G. A. W. 4225

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Eastern Division) and HAWKHURST & DISTRICT GUILD.**—Joint practice meeting at Burwash, March 21st. (Please note date.) Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Further ringing till 8 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Ian V. J. Smith, Sec., 37, Wellington Gardens, Battle. 4250

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Joint meeting of Northern and Southern Divisions. Lindfield (8). Saturday, March 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. only for those who notify by Wednesday, March 18th, to Mrs. E. L. Hairs, Norman Cottage, Groombridge. Tel.: 438. 4275

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—Practice meeting at Slinfold (6) on Saturday, March 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5.15 for those who notify R. Wake, 28, Keynor Estate, Sidlesham, Chichester, Sussex. 4297

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—Quarterly meeting, Huntington, near York, Saturday, March 21st. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. in St. Andrew's Church Hall. Names, please, to Mr. C. J. Groome, 'Sunny Holme', Huntington, York, as early as possible.—H. S. Morley, Hon. Sec. 4230

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—Quarterly meeting at Keighley on Saturday, March 21st. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Practice methods: Double Norwich and Pudsey Surprise. Names for tea (5 p.m.) to Mr. F. Midgley, 17, Worth Avenue, Keighley, by Wednesday, March 18th. Business meeting to follow tea.—R. J. Lumley, Hon. Dis. Sec. 4232

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Evening meeting, Houghton Regis, Saturday, March 28th. Bells (6) from 5 p.m.—K. G. Spavins, Dis. Sec. 4274

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—A.G.M. at Minehead, Easter Monday, March 30th. Service 12 noon. Lunch at Dorrien Restaurant, The Parade, at 1.15 p.m. Names for lunch (8s. 3d.) essential to Mr. D. G. Yeo, Estune, Brockway, Nailsea, Bristol, enclosing a stamped, addressed envelope. Meeting at Parish Hall at 2.30 p.m. Bells available: Minehead (10) at 11.15 a.m. and after meeting, 10.15–11.30 a.m. Carhampton, Selworthy (6). Old Cleeve, Dunster (8). 5.30–7.30 p.m. Porlock, Luccombe, Wootton Courtenay (6). 5.30–8 p.m. Selworthy. 6–8 p.m. Timberscombe (8). St. Audries (5). 6–8.30 p.m. Old Cleeve. 6.30–8.30 p.m. Stogumber (6). Wiveliscombe (8).—G. Salmon, Gen. Sec. 4273

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Easter Monday, March 30th, annual general meeting at Tenterden. Service 12 noon. Applications not later than March 24th first post for luncheon tickets (9s. 6d. each, children of resident members under 14 3s. each, cash with order, please), agenda details of ringing times at 10 towers to Mr. B. W. May, 'Keithston', Keycol Hill, Bobbing, Sittingbourne, Kent.—P. A. Corby, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4242

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.**—A.G.M. at All Saints, Newport, on Easter Monday, March 30th. Bells 2 p.m. Service 4 p.m., followed by tea and the meeting. Names for tea please by Monday, March 23rd to M. J. Pryor, 43, Downton Road, Rumney, Cardiff. 4253

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Easter Monday, March 30th. A.G.M. at Worcester, Service at All Saints' 11 a.m. (bells 10 a.m.). Meeting in College Hall at 12.15 p.m. Ringing arrangements: St. John's (8) 2.15–3.30, All Saints' (10) 3–4.30, St. Swithun's (6) 3.30–4.45, Stoulton (6) and Stoulton Campanile (6, tenor 107 lbs.) 1.45–3. Pershore Abbey (8) 2.30–3.30, Upton Snodsbury (6) 2.45–4.15, Crowle (8) 3–4.30, Cathedral (12) 6–7.30, All Saints' 7–8.30. Tea at Deansway Restaurant at 5 p.m. for all who notify me before March 28th.—D. Beacham, Goodiers Lane, Twynning, Tewkesbury, Glos. Gen. Sec. 4285

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chiltern Branch, Second A.G.M., Aston Clinton on Saturday, April 18th. Further details later.—Wheeler. 4299

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Annual Festival will be held at Hartford, nr. Northwich, on Saturday, May 9th. Publication of arrangements later.—Henry O. Baker, Gen. Sec. 4305

## LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION DINNER

After an interval of some years, the London County Association met at dinner on February 29th at the Alexandra Hotel, Clapham. To ensure a sell-out the number of tickets was strictly limited and they were almost all sold on the day of issue. While this meant that unfortunately those members who delayed their decisions were disappointed, it avoided the worry and financial loss experienced on a former occasion.

After ringing at St. Mary's (R.C.) Church, Clapham, an excellent meal was enjoyed, the Master, Mr. W. G. Wilson, being supported by all the officers of the Association. Set speeches were out, but the Master welcomed the members, expressed his thanks to the former secretary, Miss M. E. Powell, for making all the arrangements, which included the gift of a large cake in the shape of a bell, and his pleasure at the presence among the company of Mr. J. Phillips, Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths, and of Mr. W. Cook, immediate past Master. After Mr. Phillips had replied suitably, Miss Powell was presented with a dressing table set, subscribed for by all present.

The evening concluded with handbell ringing and dancing to the piano playing of one of the guests and to records. One wondered at one stage whether the Beatles had joined the Ancient Society or whether the Society had recently visited Merseyside. W. G. W.

## LATE NOTICES

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Hunts District.—Meeting at Somersham, Saturday, March 21st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 4307

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—Meeting, Saturday, March 21st, at St. George's, Bolton. 2.30 p.m., afternoon only. Cups of tea. Holy Trinity at 5.30 p.m. Please attend.—Thornley, Sec. 4311

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—Ringing meeting at St. Elisabeth's, Reddish, March 21st. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Own arrangements for tea. No. 109 bus from Manchester to Houldsworth Square.—Neil Bennett, Sec. 4310

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Annual general meeting, Easter Monday, March 30th. Ringing arrangements: Route 1.—Swaffham Prior (6). 10.11.30 a.m.: Burwell (8). 10.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m.: Chippenham (6). 11.30 a.m.–1 p.m.: Isleham (5). 12 noon–1.30 p.m.: Wicken (5). 1–2.30: Soham (10). 2–4.15. Route 2.—March (6). 10.11.30 a.m.: Doddington (6). 10.30 a.m.–12 noon: Chatteris (6). 11 a.m.–12.30 p.m.: Sutton (6). 11.30 a.m.–1 p.m.: Haddenham (6). 12 noon–2 p.m.: Wilburton (6). 1–3: Stretton (6). 2–4. Service 4.15, Soham. Tea 5 p.m. Soham Church Hall. General business meeting after tea. Tickets for tea 3s. each, with stamped, addressed envelope, from Gen. Sec. Ely (8). Littleport (8) and Sutton towers open after tea. Ringing Masters will be in all towers.—H. S. Peacock, 8, Roscrea Terrace, St. John's Street, Huntingdon. 4309

## OBITUARY

### MR. SEYMOUR BARKER

A link has been broken with the ringers who, between the two world wars, did much to foster change ringing in the Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association by the death on March 1st in Llandough Hospital, Cardiff, of Mr. Seymour Barker, aged 86 years.

Seymour came to South Wales at the turn of the century from Somerset, his first tower being St. Peter's, Pentre. He joined St. John's, Cardiff, in the days when Llandaff Cathedral, Whitchurch and St. John's bells were rung by one band, who rang alternately for services at these churches.

He rang his first peal on the tenor at St. John's in 1911: his record of peals for the Llandaff and Monmouth Association was well over 100, the majority being rung on St. John's tenor.

For over forty years, Seymour was tower keeper and captain at St. John's, and during that period the Thursday night practices became the Mecca for ringers from all over the diocese, and such names as Fred Chamberlain, Jack Pitman, Ernest Stitch and Jack Phillips spring readily to mind. These practices did much to improve the 10 bell ringing in the area. The bells were his life and he spent many hours amongst them, only giving up his ringing about five years ago, when he found the belfry steps too much to climb.

The funeral service took place at St. John's on March 4th. The passing bell was rung by W. Dare, and Mr. F. Hannington, Master of the Llandaff and Monmouth Association, represented the ringers. A quarter was rung by the local company on Sunday evening, and the bells were also rung half-muffled throughout the practice on Thursday.

Seymour Barker will never be forgotten in St. John's, his name is on the peal boards and in the peal book, but as one long associated with him I say his memory will always be perpetuated as St. John's bells ring out on all occasions. T. Y.

### MR. ALAN R. MACDONALD

We regret to report the death on March 6th, his 80th birthday, of Mr. Alan R. Macdonald, of Skye, 5, Ardmore Road, Parkstone, Poole.

He was the youngest son of a former Rector of Norwood Green, Middlesex, where he taught a band of ringers. A lot of his early ringing was with the Middlesex Association. He was also a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths and later a member of the Westminster Abbey band. After going to live at Parkstone in 1945, he did much work for the Salisbury Diocesan Guild, not only with Poole Parish Church band but in other capacities and was a vice-president of the Guild.

On the outbreak of war in 1914 he returned from Canada and joined the Army. On his discharge in 1918 he joined the staff of the Whitechapel Bell Foundry, where he became works manager. He retired in 1945.

The Wimborne Branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild at its January meeting decided to ring a quarter peal on March 7th as an 80th birthday compliment to Mr. Macdonald, and also Mr. C. Percy. When the news of Mr. Macdonald's death reached the ringers they decided to ring as intended, and whilst still a birthday compliment to Mr. Percy, to ring it also as a thanksgiving for the life of Mr. Macdonald.

### MR. ARTHUR F. WELLINGTON

By the passing of Mr. A. F. Wellington on February 24th at the age of 86, the East Grinstead and District Guild lost one of its very keen members.

Arthur Wellington came to Tunbridge Wells about 15 years ago from Bexhill, Sussex, where he had been in business for over 40 years. During his retirement he took a great interest in ringing and soon made progress, ringing his first quarter peals of Stedman Triples. Plain Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob and, at the age of 80, Double Norwich. He became treasurer of the East Grinstead Guild in 1952, an office he held with distinction till ill health forced him to retire in 1959.

Officers of the Guild attended the cremation service in Tunbridge Wells on February 28th and on March 6th a quarter peal of Grand-sire Triples was rung to his memory. E. J. L.



### MORE BELFRY GOSSIP

The peal at Cawthorne, Barnsley, for the Royal Birth was also rung to mark the 55th year of the formation of the Barnsley and District Society.

Mr. Michael W. Coleman, featured in our issue of March 6th (page 154) is ringing master of the Society of Raving Ringers. He is not connected with the Roving Ringers as was inadvertently stated

The visit of the Chesterfield District of the Derby Diocesan Association to Wingerworth on March 14th will be the first for very many years. Visitors will, in addition to ringing, be able to see the new extensions to the church which when complete will have doubled the seating capacity.

Mr. Donald J. Beach, secretary of the Mansfield District, Southwell Diocesan Guild, is in hospital and last weekend underwent an operation. He is making satisfactory progress.

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By D. KNOX

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## ORGANISED COURSE IN BELL RINGING

BY NORMAN CHADDOCK

THE progress of church bell ringing has from time to time been assisted by major influences, an important example being the growth of Ringing Guilds towards the close of the last century. The development of organised courses in bell ringing, supported and largely financed by various education authorities, could similarly have a profound beneficial influence on ringing in this present century. This development offers a new sphere of activity to established ringing organisations on whom education authorities depend for support in such ventures.

The week-end residential courses, usually held at some county adult college in an atmosphere of learning and culture and in comfortable and pleasant surroundings, have so far been the most popular; the one-day course is, however, proving very useful and convenient to organise.

The first week-end residential course was held in Essex in 1953, the next in 1959, since when about 15 such courses have been held in various parts of the country. Some of these courses have been elementary, some advanced and others a combination of the two, often providing a choice of two lectures throughout the course, or even for individual or small group tuition.

Over 30 different lecturers have been involved so far, usually three or four on each course. In some cases students have assisted with the tuition. Topics covered have been very diverse, and naturally some have frequently appeared. Towers, bells and fittings, initial instruction, elementary change ringing, rhythm and striking, method study and structure and conducting have been favourite topics. Composition and proof, spliced ringing (Plain and Surprise), belfry and guild organisation have also appeared along with other topics.

Theoretical sessions have been followed by practical sessions in local towers where the students have gathered not just for a ring, but to put into practice the principles learnt in the theory sessions. Tutors have used all kinds of practical and visual aids to illustrate their talks, such as photographs, charts, diagrams, models, handbells, tuning forks, slides, filmstrips, tape recorders, text books, gramophones and jigsaw puzzles. Use has also been made of the Central Council Library and Central Council Publications have often been on sale. Invariably, it has been evident that the tutors have devoted a great deal of time and thought in preparing their lectures and demonstrations and that these have been based on sound practical experience.

In view of the limited time, tutors have endeavoured to give students a vista of the lines on which they themselves should develop and study further, a particular topic. Duplicated notes and exercises for further study and guidance have been frequently given to students. Activity with pencil and paper and handbells has been a constant feature of lectures, which usually end with useful discussion.

It is the policy of some adult colleges, catering for about 60 students, to run two courses (for 30 students each) simultaneously but on subjects of widely differing appeal and to encourage mixing between those attending the two different courses

—at meal times and between lectures. Sometimes, at the conclusion, each course has given demonstrations to the other of their respective activities. On one occasion a poetry and drama group were inspired to compose sonnets to the bells. Handbell ringing, especially prior to a short act of worship on the Sunday morning, has been an easy means of securing the interest of those on another course. Although there was little fraternising between the psychologists and the ringers, the latter got on excellently with the Irish country dancers. On one course, it was discovered that a double handed Stedman Cinques ringer was frittering away his time on an orchestral music course. Needless to say, a temporary transfer was, from time to time, arranged.

Ringers have found themselves bombarded with questions about church bells and bell ringing, discussion of which has tended to dominate the scene. This illustrates the propaganda value of such courses which are helping to enhance the position of bell ringing amongst the recognised arts. The college wardens take a close interest in what is going on and at their conferences will inevitably exchange ideas and views. Since there is pressure from many organisations for the use of their colleges they have the opportunity to be selective. Organisers of courses must therefore endeavour to make them so successful that students and college authorities will want to repeat them periodically.

Where such continuity obtains, a new problem arises. It would be relatively easy to arrange the subject matter of a once and for all course, but when a course is in its fifth year such as that at Grantley Hall, with a core of old students, besides newcomers, ingenuity is called for in meeting the needs of all students and preserving some progress and continuity.

And what of the students? Their ages have varied from 16 to 60 (both sexes). Some have travelled a total of over 400 miles to attend. Some have been unable to handle a bell properly, others have been experts in some aspects of ringing. One, who was blind, was expert on handbells. They have gained much from each other and from tutors at odd moments between lectures. Although many fellow students were but a name on the college notice board on the Friday evening, by Sunday tea-time they are established friends, who like you, came on the course hoping to find some guidance out of their difficulties and frustrations. Like you they go away encouraged and stimulated, and armed with some new techniques and greater breadth of vision. They themselves also feel that they have made useful contributions to the success of the course since students and tutors learn much from each other.

There is no doubt that the residential course appeals to a group of ringers, who, at their present stage, are not fully catered for by other ringing activities. Many of them are searching for ways of helping their own struggling bands and for this reason lectures have emphasised the teaching aspects of ringing, dealing not only with the subject, but with how successfully to put it over to recruits.

The continued growth of these courses can only be beneficial. Perhaps we may soon see a full week's course being pioneered, or a connected series of one-day courses on say four to eight near consecutive Saturdays.



# BIRMINGHAM IN THE GOLDEN AGE OF RINGING

## References at the Henry Johnson Dinner

THE suggestion that Birmingham, despite its great tradition, was now in its golden age of ringing was made at the Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner held at the White Horse Hotel, Birmingham, on March 7th. The thrill of the proper Maximus rhythm was mentioned by Mr. Alan Ainsworth, the Ringing Master, as a new experience which he did not think possible.

Bishop George Sinker, Provost of Birmingham Cathedral, who was accompanied by Mrs. Sinker, was a genial chairman. With him was Mr. R. C. Ingram, Master of the St. Martin's Guild, and Mrs. Ingram, and by his side Mr. G. E. Fearn, Guild secretary. Old friends in Canon and Mrs. Guy Warman were also present.

The loyal toast was followed by the chairman proposing 'The honoured memory of Henry Johnson,' which, as is customary, was drunk in silence.

Mr. Rodney B. Meadows gave the toast of 'Continued prosperity of St. Martin's Guild,' now in its 210th year. He called attention to the revival of the Birmingham flat joke type of humour, which he remarked was not known in the St. Martin's Guild. It was known in the days of Tom Mellor and perhaps by Henry Johnson himself.

What were the feelings, asked Mr. Meadows, when one came back to a city one had loved well in the past? When one came out of the station and saw St. Philip's, the first thing one did was to go to the telephone box and phone SPR 1025 and report oneself. He had a similar experience in West Berlin. On arrival he went into a telephone box and in front of him were the words: 'Fernsprech.'

## PEAL OUTLOOK: ALL'S WELL

'How does the prosperity of this Guild appear from the outside? From 'The Ringing World' it seems that you are going through the golden age, with many experts in attendance, and from the peals outlook all is well. You ring many peals, some in ingenious methods and all too often you are judged by your Stedman Cinques, and tomorrow as we are ringing there will be critics listening to the course-ends with newspapers propped in front of them. Perhaps even now and then a pained expression will cross their faces.'

Most sincerely they all wished St. Martin's Guild continued prosperity. He hoped at a similar function in London they would give their support as they had with them three Past Masters of the Ancient Society (Mr. F. E. Collins, Mr. Wilfred Williams and Group Captain Stan Mason).

The new Ringing Master, Mr. Alan Ainsworth, in his reply, reviewed the position of the Guild and said a steady stream of peals came from St. Philip's Cathedral, and having come from foreign lands, he thought he could say that they were very good peals, but there was always room for improvement. As the result of their endeavours last year Miss Susan Funnell, of King's Norton, was the leading lady peal ringer, and Mr. Rodney Pipe the leading conductor and the second leading peal ringer in the national list.

## 12 BELL PEAL STANDARD

In the Thursday peals Mr. Fearn always tried to get 12 ringers and it was a privilege to ring a peal of Maximus with such a band. He had never before experienced the proper Maximus rhythm; he did not think it was possible, but having come to Birmingham he knew it could be obtained.

St. Martin's tower was known for its Stedman Cinques and they occasionally rang a course of Cambridge Maximus. The Cinques, however, was a tremendous tradition and they must never miss it on a Sunday morning. On Easter Monday an attempt would be made at St. Philip's for a long length of Cambridge Maximus and the band would include eight ringers who rang in the 40,000 at Loughborough.

The bells from Bishop Ryder's Church were now at St. Peter's, Harborne, and they sounded very well. It was a pity there was no shuttering. The bells would not be available for peals. At Perry Barr, valiant efforts were being made to train a young band.

From his experience of Birmingham there was one habit they suffered from—unpunctuality. Punctuality was a courtesy they owed to others and he would remind them of Winston Churchill's saying: 'Unpunctuality is a vile habit.'

The chairman, in proposing 'The Visitors,' recalled that when at Matlock he was invited to a banquet in the Methodist Church Hall on Ash Wednesday, and he was pilloried in the Press for attending such a function in Lent. He would remind them that they were now in the middle of Lent and his church calendar told him that the following day would be 'Refreshment Sunday,' so to any critics of his presence there he could say he was just a little early.

## BISHOP'S LOVE OF BELLS

He coupled with the toast the name of Mr. Jack Millhouse, who came from the second finest cathedral in the country, Lincoln. He always found in his contact with their confraternity they were men and women of real fellowship. He was very happy to have this contact with bells and ringers, as for 32 years when he was a missionary in India he built a mud church and afterwards a fine cathedral: neither of them had a ring of bells.

When he came home to Derbyshire his first parish had bells, but they were unsafe to ring; then he went to Bakewell, where they had lovely bells. At the Cathedral there was a beautiful ring and on more than one occasion it was his pleasure to make the long climb to the ringing chamber to greet the ringers. He had already been in touch with Mr. Fearn to say that the bells in question would be available for Easter Monday. He was looking forward to the peal, but the following day he would be going away for a holiday!

He welcomed Mr. F. W. Perrens, president of the neighbouring Guild at Coventry, five or six ringers from Newcastle, four or five from London and others from Lincoln and other parts of the country. From Birmingham there were Canon and Mrs. Guy Warman, and they had also with them Mr. Paul Taylor and Mr. T. W. White.

Mr. Jack Millhouse, who replied, said having been brought up to regard Birmingham as the Mecca of ringing and having experienced their generous hospitality in the past he was very proud to be with them on the 76th anniversary of the Henry Johnson dinner, and to thank the chairman and the Guild for their welcome.

## DISCOUNTING HIS 1,000 PEALS

The county north of Lincolnshire was not the only one with a professor of its own. Last September he spent a holiday with their secretary in Somerset and after a peal at Evercreech he told him that that was a 1,000th peal. Mr. Fearn told him that it would cost him a lot of beer. Later on he said, 'I have been thinking about those peals of yours and they include a lot of peals of Minor, but six bell peals did not count. You have also some peals on eight, 10 and 12 bells with the tenor behind. Don't do anything about those at the moment. I'll have a word with the Professor and let you know.'

Canon Guy Warman proposed the toast of 'The Ringing World' and said it encouraged fellowship and always had an interesting correspondence page to which he usually turned first.

The Editor, in reply, said that while during the past year he was confident 'The Ringing World' would show a profit, it would be a splendid one, probably in the region of £300. A substantial rise in labour costs was in operation throughout the year and while revenue had increased, economies had to be operative, particularly in regard to 24 page issues—and the instructions he had received were to limit these to extreme urgencies.

## TWO PROPOSITIONS

The committee for 1964 was faced with two propositions—either to economise and cut to within the compass of income or to seek additional income so as to be in a position to produce a 24 page issue say once every six weeks.

If the latter should be the policy adopted then there were three possible sources to increase revenue and at the same time maintain an 8d. publication.

The first was in regard to postal subscribers. The present annual charge was 35s., which meant after deducting postage of 2½d. per copy a net revenue of 5½d. per copy. If the price was 36s. there would be an increase in the net income of £130 per annum, and every 1s. increase would give a corresponding increase.

The second was to make a general charge for all quarter peals. At the present time nearly 50 per cent kindly sent a donation. If all paid there would probably be an added revenue of £200 a year.

Another that might be introduced would be a flat rate of 4s. for 30 words in all classes of Notices. This might give another £50.

None of these increases suggested should disturb the Exercise or the readers. It would avoid the loss in the number of readers that did follow the price increase from 6d. to 8d. per copy. 'To feel happier we want about another £500 per annum; then we would be able to do justice to the big occasion, which is associated with the royal birth, and at the same time maintain regular features.'

## TO TALK OF MANY THINGS

The concluding toast, that of 'The Chairman,' was proposed by Miss Muriel Reay. She gave a delightful parody with apologies to Lewis Carroll:

The time has come, the Provost said,  
To talk to George of things  
Like ringing peals on Saturday.  
On other 12 bell rings.

Why can't you ring St. Philip's bells  
More often than you do?  
Why not attempt a long peal there?  
Or better still ring two.

On Thursday nights you only ring  
A peal on eight or ten.  
What is the matter? Tell me, George.  
Can you not find the men?

You often ring the same old tune.  
Now tell me, George, please do.  
What's wrong with methods such as Greek,  
Or Macclesfield or Crewe?

You must persuade the ringers, George.  
To ring the New Year in—  
Although my neighbours may complain  
About the midnight din.

I've heard you call some ringers poor—  
Too slow at back or hand—  
Why don't you practise every day,  
And so improve the band.

When George heard this he scratched his head  
And wore the hair away.  
Wondering how he could find the time  
To ring a peal a day.

Miss Reay concluded by saying in Birmingham they had very amicable relations with their clergy. They certainly had at the Cathedral. Whenever a band from another tower came to the Cathedral, they could be certain that the Provost would be there to welcome them.

During the evening a touch of Grandsire Caters was rung by Messrs. F. W. Perrens, Rodney Pipe, R. C. Ingram, Wilfred Williams and J. A. Anderson.

The evening was admirably arranged by Mr. G. A. Fearn.

LYTCHET MATRAVERS, DORSET.—On Feb. 29th, 1.440 Plain Bob Minor: Mary E. Elmes (first of Minor) 1, R. G. W. Robertson 2, Juliet Wooders 3, M. J. Young 4, I. W. Blackwood 5, G. W. Elmes (cond.) 6. Both compositions consisting of singles only.



## WASHINGTON BAND MEET IN LONDON

The ten ringers selected for the trip to Washington met on Saturday in London and had lunch together and received instructions for the trip. Afterwards they rang together on the back ten at St. Giles' Cripplegate. Before dispersing the team had their photographs taken in front of Westminster Abbey as the Washington authorities want these for preliminary publicity purposes.

Contributions, which now exceed £400, sent to Mr. Douglas Hughes, c/o Westminster Bank, St. Mary Axe, E.C.2, will be gratefully acknowledged and passed on to Dean Francis B. Sayre.

For letters see page 188.

## FIRST LADY MASTER University of Wales Society



MISS GILLIAN GRANEY

The first lady to be Master of the University of Wales Society is Miss Gillian Graney (23), whose home is at King's Langley, Hertfordshire. She believes she is the fourth generation of her family to ring there: she started ringing about 10 years ago.

At Watford Grammar School, Gillian campaigned for several years for the privilege of ringing the bells of Watford Parish Church for the Founder's Day service. Eventually permission was granted and the outcome was the formation of Watford Grammar Schools Society, with Miss Graney as first Ringing Master.

She entered Aberystwyth University in 1960 and graduated last year. Her present appointment is a research assistant in the agricultural botany department.

In her first year at Aberystwyth a College Bellringers' Society was formed as part of the University of Wales Society. Gillian's second year saw her as Master of the College Society. In her third year she was secretary of both the College and University of Wales Societies. As the person who should have been Master this year is in Germany, she combines again dual offices—being Master of College and University Societies. The College band rings regularly at Llanbadarn Fawr.

Mainly because there are not enough experienced ringers in her area, Miss Graney has only rung about 11 peals. If other members have her enthusiasm, we feel certain that this total can be augmented.

## THE LADIES' GUILD

The Central District held its annual meeting at Emmanuel Church, Streatham, on February 29th. Ringing before Evensong included a ladies' touch of Bob Major. We enjoyed the service in this subtly lit, beautiful church: this was followed by an excellent tea.

There were 18 members at the business meeting: the chair was taken by the president, Mrs. O. Barnett. Members stood in silent tribute to the Hon. B. Gibbs, who died the previous Monday.

Mrs. T. J. Lock was elected vice-president. Mrs. E. Savory being thanked for her excellent work this last year. Miss J. Spreadbury was elected secretary. Committee members: Mrs. R. Fardon, Mrs. H. Hart, Mrs. E. Savory, Mrs. Darvill. Central Committee: Miss C. Rimmer, Mrs. R. Darvill.

Methods during evening ringing included London and Bristol.

Next meeting: May 30th. Annual meeting: January 30th, Wood Green. R. D.

## OBITUARY

MR. S. E. BENNETT

With the passing of Stanley Edward Bennett on February 29th, Spalding ringers have lost one of their most faithful members. He had not been able to ring since Christmas 1962, on doctor's orders, but often looked into the belfry on Sundays, when well enough, and attended branch and guild meetings, holding the office of branch ringing master up to his death.

His father was sexton and ringing master at Bicker for very many years, so it's no wonder that Stan learned to ring at an early age. But his first peal was not rung till 1923, one of Bob Minor at Bicker, conducted by his brother Albert. He moved to Gosberton in 1933 and was with the band there until 1936 when he moved to Spalding. He joined the band at the Parish Church, but his work did not allow him a lot of time for ringing, and it was not until 1944 that he rang his first peal of Major there, this being his 20th peal. From this date onwards he took part in an ever increasing number of peals on all numbers of bells, being very capable of good striking and ringing the method. It was in the winter of 1959, when the Monday band was formed and with his peal total at 260, that, as he used to say, his greatest thrill came, ringing a different Surprise Major method each week. His final peal total was 376, his last one being a peal of Ullesthorpe Surprise Major non-conducted.

A large congregation of relatives and friends attended the funeral service at the Parish Church on March 4th. The bells were rung half-muffled both before and after the service by ringers from a wide area. Cremation followed at Peterborough.

We extend our deepest sympathies to his wife and son, Maurice. Let us hope that we may all learn some lesson from his fine example of loyalty to his church and ringing and may his soul rest in peace. R. C. N.

MR. ALAN RONALD MACDONALD

The funeral service for Mr. Alan R. Macdonald was held at St. Peter's Church, Parkstone, on March 11th, followed by cremation at Bournemouth. Family mourners included Mrs. McCausland (niece), Mrs. Tadmam and Mr. McCausland. Also present were Mr. Douglas Hughes (representing Messrs. Mears and Stainbank) with friends from London: Mr. L. J. Lockyer, chairman Wimborne Branch (representing Canon C. Carew Cox, president Salisbury Guild); Mr. W. C. Shute, ringing master North Dorset Branch (representing Mr. W. C. West, general secretary); Mr. H. A. Mitchell, Mr. F. Price and other ringers.

Mr. Macdonald had given valuable service to the Salisbury Guild, particularly as its representative on the Diocesan Advisory Committee, from which he resigned only last year owing to increasing ill health. May he rest in peace. C. C. C.

## 50 YEARS AGO

'R.W.' March 13th, 1914.—

WHAT NEXT? Sir.—I think your correspondent 'Anxious' need not hesitate to claim his peal of Minor, seeing that a peal(?) has been published in 'The Ringing World,' in which one of the ringers taking part sat down for one or two intervals of rest. But what did that matter so long as the others jogged merrily on for the allotted time? This 'performance' will no doubt be duly recorded in the report of the Association concerned, and receive its quota of points for peals.—CYKO.

## THE NORWICH ASSOCIATION Western Branch

Grey skies prevailed over King's Lynn on February 29th for the annual meeting of the Western Branch. The ten bells of St. Margaret's were soon going, however, to methods up to Cambridge Surprise Royal. Attendance was only average, with visitors from the Ely Association helping to swell the numbers.

The service was conducted by Rev. E. Turnbull, assisted by the Branch chairman, Rev. G. C. Galley. Tea was taken in the Priory Hall, and was followed by the meeting. All officers were re-elected, viz.: Chairman, Rev. G. C. Galley; secretary, Mr. C. Tovell; Ringing Master, Mr. T. Owen.

Caston was agreed to as the venue of the next meeting, when the bells at Griston will also be available.

After some discussion over the recurring matter of unpaid subscriptions, the party returned to the tower. And once again the age-old sound of St. Margaret's bells mixed with the more raucous sound of King's Lynn's famous mart. Votes of thanks were passed to the ladies for providing tea and to the Vicar. J. S.

PANGBOURNE, BERKS.—On Feb. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. Clarke 1, A. D. Smith 2, Susan E. Burt 3, A. J. Burt (first of Doubles 'inside') 4, J. H. Harland (cond.) 5, K. Wallace (first quarter) 6, For Evensong.

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# Letters to the Editor

## The Washington Selection

Dear Sir.—Now that the list of 'approved' ringers for Washington Consecration has been published may I ask in what way they are representative of the ringers of this country? Representative of the College Youths perhaps, and drawn from all over the country, but not of the Exercise as a whole. Where for instance (apart from Mr. Parkes, I believe, whose presence was specially requested) is there a member of the other historic society? The Cumberlands today possess ringers every bit as good as those going and whose standards are at least as exacting. Where is a representative of the ladies? As president of the Ladies' Guild I know of several who could certainly measure up to those chosen. One of the band has a wife who could equally as well have represented her Cathedral. (It may be recalled that the College Youths had one prominent American lady as a member of their Society.)

I have a number of good friends among those going and I'm sure they will realise my criticism is not personal—just that surely room could have been found for some 'outsiders' when it is remembered that nearly half the ringers in this country are ladies.

Nobody will have envied Mr. Chilcott his task in finding 10 ringers to go to Washington but everybody would have honoured him if he had risen above 'party politics'.—Yours faithfully,

OLIVE D. BARNETT,  
President, Ladies' Guild.

## Eminently Fair

Dear Sir.—Most ringers will agree that an eminently fair and suitable selection of ringers to go to Washington, has been made. This must have been a most difficult task, and has been most ably performed.

These ringers will be admirable representatives of British ringing and are all deserving of their honour.

There are many ringers who, like myself, would dearly love to have been invited, but I am sure that all those, and ringers generally, will join me in wishing these ten ringers bon voyage and a pleasant week in Washington.—Yours faithfully, RICHARD E. PRICE.  
Thrybergh.

## Yorkshire Ends

Dear Sir.—I visited Accrington on March 5th to take part in a peal, and not, I can assure you, with the object of inspecting the tail ends which have provoked the recent correspondence.

Some of your readers will no doubt be amused to learn that these tail ends are, in common with many things at the wrong side of the Pennines, imperfect imitations of the genuine Yorkshire article.

Furthermore, with typical Lancastrian perversity, the ropes have been given a left hand thread, thus making it necessary to keep untwisting them throughout the peal.—Yours sincerely, VERNON BOTTOMLEY.  
Northwram.

## Peal List

Dear Sir.—We have decided to compile a complete list of those who ring more than 25 peals during 1964, for subsequent publication.

To avoid errors, will those who change their surnames during the year please let us know.—Yours faithfully, JAMES R. TAYLOR,  
JENNIFER M. TAYLOR.

5, Friendship Road,  
Knowle, Bristol, 4.

## Peals and Membership

Dear Sir.—Following Mr. Parrott's recent letter concerning a peal at Putney and recalling the aftermath of Mr. R. Leale's North Wales tour, I would like to query the present basis on which peals are rung for a territorial association. At present the 'correct etiquette' is for a peal rung at a certain tower to be rung for the Association to which that tower belongs. This practice can claim two advantages: (1) No problem arises if a visiting ringer joins a local band in a peal; and (2) the Associations benefit financially from the life membership subscriptions of such visiting ringers.

However, this procedure has the great drawback that peals recorded for territorial Associations bear no direct relationship to the abilities of that Association's resident members. Why should a band from, e.g., Yorkshire, ring a peal for, e.g., the Devonshire Guild, merely because they are ringing in Devonshire and two members of the band are non-resident members of that Guild? The only reasons can be either courtesy (will the Guild be grateful if the peal is a bad one, or causes trouble?) or financial reasons. I suggest the reasons are predominantly financial since every Association accepts peals rung wholly by non-resident life members, but rejects them if the band contains a ringer who has not paid a life-membership subscription.

I feel that the attitude of the Exercise towards this question ought to be re-examined, and would submit the following proposals as a basis for discussion: (a) A peal should be rung for a local territorial Association only if at least half the band are resident members of that Association; otherwise the peal should be non-Association or rung for an appropriate non-territorial body. (b) Every ringer not a resident member of the territorial Association to which the tower at which a peal is rung belongs should pay a sum, i.e., 6d., to that Association for each successful peal attempt in its territory. Point (a) excludes peals by bands consisting wholly of visiting ringers, whilst allowing a minority of visitors to join a local band, and point (b) ensures that visiting ringers contribute towards the local Association. I imagine this approach would, in fact, increase the income of most Associations from visiting peal ringers.—Yours faithfully,

DAVID A. H. BENNETT,  
Kensington, London.

## —and some Teachers

Dear Sir.—May I add a word of thanks to Mr. Harold Chant for his tribute to those who in their particular field of ringing activity, apart from peal ringing, have for years, and in the face of some opposition, laboured purely for love of the Exercise and its art.

For the information of those who may wish to study the work on 'Bell Handling and Control,' indicated by Mr. Chant, particulars are given in an advertisement in this issue, under 'Publications.' We, in the College of Campanology, feel that we have our reward in the many kind tributes, from instructors and pupils alike, to our Part I of 'The Ringers' Manual of Reference.'

Part II, 'Method Structure in Change Ringing,' now nearing completion of a greatly protracted revision, should evoke even more interest, if it be found possible to publish, in the near future, a brief chapter-synopsis of the work.—Yours very truly,

A. YORK-BRAMBLE,  
Southsea.

## Naming of Methods in Peals

Dear Sir.—I view with some regret the recommendations to enforce that the names given to methods rung for the first time in spliced peals should stand for posterity. The following objections could be raised to this idea, particularly if the motion is to be made retrospective:—

(1) Large numbers of names are appropriated by one band or even one individual at one swoop. These are often used for fairly straightforward methods, that a local group might choose to ring for the first time at their own tower, and name appropriately, as has been the custom in the past. There will be few good easy methods left in time for such ambitions, which will then only be fulfilled by arduous practice in difficult methods that might be impracticable except for a team of Surprise experts.

(2) Some most unsuitable names have on occasions been used in multi-method naming exercises, particularly in the notorious example at Heptonstall a few years ago, one of which I have had the pleasure of ringing and suitably renaming since. I could say that I felt it my duty to do so, as the previous name was ridiculous, for a method, even though that name will go down in ringing history for very worthy reasons in another connection.

It is true that in the interests of statistical tidiness and avoidance on confusion it is desirable to have only one name published per method; it is therefore particularly incumbent upon those responsible for method naming that the names chosen should be appropriate and worthy and not make the whole business into a cheap adolescent farce.

When the Leicester Guild rang a number of new methods of Royal recently they were named after places in the county. I did think at the time that Leicestershire was cursed with a lot of ugly-sounding names, but otherwise the choice was quite justified. The same Guild has also used some Welsh names. There is no particular objection to this, except that they use up a lot of space in print, and one recent one was worthy of posterity in that, if my memory serves me correctly, it was that of the tower where the first 'five-in-a-day' was achieved. 'Oh' was not so appropriate, though one can envisage the motives for using this name. I would confess that, in pursuit of the 'Alphabet' quest, I was responsible for the choice of several names of Irish and Scottish counties, but these are good, fine-sounding names and quite appropriate to the traditions of method-naming after counties, famous cities and places where the peal was first performed.

There are plenty of good names left without scraping the bottom of the bucket for others.

I would add a last plea, one that has been repeated several times, that the Central Council would at last publish its 'Collection of Surprise Major Methods' obeying certain qualities, together with a list of names and performances... also with amendment slips at frequent intervals for those who do not have the time to keep a foolproof filing system. A similar publication for Plain Major, Royal methods, Doubles and Minor would also be very welcome and would avoid duplication, frustration and confusion.—Yours sincerely,

DEREK P. JONES,  
Burton-on-Trent.

## Service Ringing Records

Dear Sir.—The bells at Clevedon Parish Church were dedicated on 30-9-1925, and apart from the war years, when ringing was banned, they have been rung twice on every Sunday since that date, three times on the great festivals.—Yours faithfully,

E. G. CAPEL,  
Clevedon, Somerset.

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# Central Council of Church Bell Ringers

## Minutes of 1963 Meeting

**MINUTES** of the First Session of the Twenty-fifth Council (66th annual meeting), held in the Town Hall, Great Yarmouth, on Whitsun Tuesday, June 4th, 1963.

A welcome was extended to the Council by the Mayor, Councillor J. P. Winter, the Archdeacon of Norwich, the Ven. Aubrey Aitken and the president of the Norwich Diocesan Association, Mr. Nolan Golden. The president replied on behalf of the Council.

### PRESENT

Life members: Messrs. F. Sharpe, E. A. Barnett, F. W. Perrens, E. H. Lewis, G. W. Fletcher, Mrs. G. W. Fletcher.

Honorary members: Mrs. E. A. Barnett, Messrs. F. I. Hairs, D. Hughes, C. K. Lewis, Mrs. C. C. Marshall, Messrs. G. W. Pipe, H. L. Roper, R. F. B. Speed, Mrs. R. F. B. Speed, Messrs. L. Stilwell, P. L. Taylor, T. W. White.

Ancient Society of College Youths: Messrs. W. T. Cook, J. F. Smallwood, C. G. J. Watts and W. Williams.

Bath and Wells Diocesan Association: Messrs. J. H. Gilbert, A. H. Reed and H. J. Sanger.

Bedfordshire Association: Messrs. J. H. Edwards and A. E. Rushton.

Cambridge University Guild: Dr. C. M. P. Johnson and Mr. B. D. Threlfall.

Chester Diocesan Guild: Miss A. D. Edwards and Mr. J. Scott.

Coventry Diocesan Guild: Mrs. D. E. Beamish and Mr. H. Windsor.

Cumberland and North Westmorland Association: Mr. G. McKay.

Derby Diocesan Association: Messrs. G. A. Halls, A. Mould and M. Phipps.

Devon Guild: Miss B. M. Boyle and Rev. J. G. M. Scott.

Dudley and District Guild: Mr. H. J. Shuck.

Durham and Newcastle Association: Messrs. K. Arthur and D. A. Bayles.

East Grinstead and District Guild: Mr. E. J. Ladd.

Ely Diocesan Association: Messrs. T. A. Bevis, J. G. Gipsen, E. H. Mastin and H. S. Peacock.

Essex Association: Messrs. P. J. Eves, F. B. Lufkin, J. E. G. Roast and Miss H. G. Snowden.

Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association: Messrs. W. B. Kynaston and C. A. Wratten.

Guildford Diocesan Guild: Messrs. A. C. Hazelden, D. A. R. May, S. G. Ponting and W. H. Viggers.

Hereford Diocesan Guild: Messrs. G. Cousins and A. Wingate.

Hertford County Association: Messrs. W. Ayre, G. W. Critchley and G. Dodds.

Irish Association: Mr. F. E. Dukes, Mrs. F. E. Dukes and Mr. J. T. Dunwoody.

Kent County Association: Messrs. J. R. Cooper, P. A. Corby, T. Cullingworth and I. H. Oram.

Ladies' Guild: Miss J. Beresford, Miss D. E. Colgate and Mrs. P. J. Staniforth.

Lancashire Association: Messrs. J. E. Burles, C. Crossthwaite, R. Leigh and D. Ogden.

Leicester Diocesan Guild: Messrs. S. Burton, J. M. Jelley, P. J. Staniforth and B. G. Warwick.

Lincoln Diocesan Guild: Messrs. J. Bray, G. E. Feirn, J. Freeman and J. L. Millhouse.

Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association: Mr. T. M. Roderick.

London County Association: Messrs. C. W. Ottley, H. W. Rogers, Mrs. H. W. Rogers and Mr. W. G. Wilson.

Middlesex County Association: Messrs. F. T. Blagrove, F. W. Goodfellow, T. J. Lock and J. R. Mayne.

Midland Counties Guild: Mr. J. W. Cotton.

North Staffordshire Association: Mr. R. S. Anderson.

Norwich Diocesan Association: Messrs. H. W. Barrett, F. N. Golden, N. V. Harding and Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow.

Oxford Diocesan Guild: Mr. A. D. Barker, Mrs. A. D. Barker.

Oxford Society: Mr. F. A. H. Wilkins.

Oxford University Society: Mr. D. F. Roaf.

Peterborough Diocesan Guild: Messrs. B. Austin, E. Billings and Miss S. R. Collins.

St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham: Messrs. G. E. Fearn and F. E. Haynes.

Salisbury Diocesan Guild: Messrs. J. T. Barrett and G. S. Morris.

Sheffield and District Society: Mr. N. Chaddock.

Shropshire Association: Messrs. R. B. Morris and R. Newton.

Society of Royal Cumberland Youths: Messrs. D. Beresford, W. H. Dobbie, F. E. Hawthorne and Dr. D. E. Sibson.

Southwell Diocesan Guild: Messrs. B. M. Buswell and W. L. Exton.

Stafford Archdeaconry Society: Mr. B. G. Key.

Suffolk Guild: Messrs. J. W. Blythe, L. G. Brett, Miss A. E. J. Lester and Mr. C. W. Pipe.

Surrey Association: Messrs. N. S. Bagworth, F. E. Collins and W. Parrott.

Sussex County Association: Mrs. F. I. Hairs, Messrs. R. W. R. Percy and A. V. Sheppard.

Truro Diocesan Guild: Messrs. W. C. Boucher and D. Burnett.

Universities Association: Miss M. R. Cross.

University of Bristol Society: Dr. T. P. Edwards.

Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild: Mr. A. V. Davis, Rev. K. W. H. Felstead and Messrs. J. Hartless and F. W. Rogers.

Worcestershire and Districts Association: Messrs. B. C. Ashford, D. Beacham and W. B. Cartwright.

Yorkshire Association: Messrs. V. Bottomley, W. E. Critchley and W. F. Moreton.

### REPORT AS TO MEMBERSHIP

The hon. secretary reported that 59 Societies were affiliated with 164 members. The rules provided for 24 honorary members and there were eight life members, making a total possible membership of 196. There were six vacancies among honorary members. All subscriptions had been paid.

### APPLICATION TO AFFILIATE

An application from the South Derbyshire and North Leicestershire Association was agreed on the proposition of Mr. J. F. Smallwood, seconded by Mr. P. J. Staniforth.

### APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Messrs. H. O. Baker, A. L. Barry, B. E. Bartlett, R. G. Bell, G. Benfield, E. C. Birkett, P. I. Chapman, J. D. Clarke, J. W. Clarke, A. J. Davidson, J. T. Dyke, E. H. Edge, J. P. Fidler, P. M. J. Gray, G. H. Harding, A. A. Hughes, Mrs. D. J. King, Dr. D. N. Layton, Messrs. G. I. Lewis, G. J. Lewis, A. Locke, N. Mallett, T. G. Myers, W. A. Osborn, A. J. Pitman, G. Salmon, E. C. Shepherd, D. J. Smith, J. J. Webb, W. L. Weller, W. C. West, J. Willis and R. St. C. Wilson.

### PRESENTATION OF NEW MEMBERS TO THE PRESIDENT

The following were presented: Messrs. W. T. Cook (College Youths), J. H. Gilbert (Bath and Wells), J. H. Edwards (Bedfordshire Association), Miss A. D. Edwards (Chester Guild), Messrs. J. Scott (Chester Guild), H. Windsor (Coventry Guild), M. Phipps (Derbyshire Association), T. A. Bevis (Ely Association), J. E. G. Roast (Essex Association), D. A. R. May and S. G. Ponting (Guildford Guild), Miss J. Beresford (Ladies' Guild), Messrs. J. E. Burles, C. Crossthwaite, R. Leigh and D. Ogden (Lancashire Association), J. M. Jelley (Leicester Guild), C. W. Ottley (London County), D. J. Roaf (Oxford University), Miss S. R. Collins (Peterborough Guild), Messrs. R. B. Morris (Shropshire Association), W. H. Dobbie and Dr. D. E. Sibson (Cumberland Youths), Messrs. J. E. Collins (South Derbyshire and North Leicestershire), W. L. Exton (Southwell Guild), Miss A. E. J. Lester (Suffolk Guild), Messrs. N. S. Bagworth and W. Parrott (Surrey Association), Mrs. F. I. Hairs and Mr. A. V. Sheppard (Sussex County), Mr. G. W. Pipe and Mrs. R. F. B. Speed (honorary members).

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

President: Mr. F. Sharpe having withdrawn, Canon A. G. G. Thurlow was elected on the proposition of Mr. Sharpe, seconded by Mr. N. Golden. Canon Thurlow thanked the members for electing him and paid a tribute to the retiring president, Mr. Sharpe, for his great services to the Council, not only as president, but as a former librarian and as convener of the Towers and Belfries Committee.

Vice-President: There were two nominations. Mr. W. B. Cartwright, proposed by Canon A. G. G. Thurlow, seconded by Mr. D. Beacham, and Mr. J. Freeman, proposed by Mr. J. F. Smallwood, seconded by Mr. H. J. Sanger. On a ballot, Mr. Freeman was elected.

Hon Secretary and Treasurer: Mr. E. A. Barnett was re-elected on the proposition of Mr. W. G. Wilson, seconded by Mr. H. W. Rogers.

Hon Librarian: Mr. F. W. Perrens was re-elected on the proposition of Mr. F. I. Hairs, seconded by Mr. R. W. R. Percy.

### ELECTION OF HONORARY MEMBERS

The Standing Committee recommended the re-election of the following retiring members: Messrs. J. P. Fidler, A. A. Hughes, D. Hughes, Mrs. C. C. Marshall, Messrs. E. C. Shepherd, R. F. B. Speed, L. Stilwell, P. L. Taylor, T. W. White and J. Willis. The committee also recommended the election of Mr. H. N. Pitstow.

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## Central Council Minutes—Cont.

The recommendations were adopted on the proposition of Mr. R. S. Anderson, seconded by Mr. H. J. Sanger.

The hon. secretary gave notice under Rule 7 (ii) on behalf of the Standing Committee that the election of Mr. A. A. Hughes as a life member under Rule 7 (i) (b) would be proposed in 1964.

### ELECTION OF HON. AUDITORS

Messrs. A. A. Hughes and H. N. Pistow were re-elected on the proposition of Mr. F. I. Hairs, seconded by Canon K. W. H. Felstead.

### LOSS OF MEMBERS THROUGH DEATH

The president reported the death of the following members and past members of the Council, the assembly standing in silence: Messrs. H. E. C. Goodenough (Hertford County), D. Smith (Barnsley and District), E. Stinch (Llandaff and Monmouth) and Miss M. E. Snowdon (life member). Tributes were paid to the memory of Messrs. Goodenough and Stinch and Miss Snowdon.

### MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes as published in 'The Ringing World' of March 22nd, 1963, were adopted on the proposition of Mr. F. A. Barnett, seconded by Mr. J. F. Smallwood.

### REPORTS

These have been published in 'The Ringing World' as shown:—

#### HONORARY SECRETARY AND TREASURER

(June 14th, 1963, page 396)

Adopted on the proposition of Mr. F. A. Barnett, seconded by Mr. H. W. Rogers.

#### HONORARY LIBRARIAN

(June 14th, 1963, page 396)

Adopted on the proposition of Mr. F. W. Perrens, seconded by Mr. P. A. Corby.

#### BALANCE SHEET AND ACCOUNTS

(June 21st, 1963, page 410)

Adopted on the proposition of Mr. E. A. Barnett, seconded by Mr. J. T. Dunwoody.

#### TRUSTEES OF THE CARTER RINGING MACHINE

(June 14th, 1963, page 396)

Adopted on the proposition of Mr. D. Hughes, seconded by Mrs. P. J. Staniforth.

#### STANDING COMMITTEE

(June 21st, 1963, page 410)

Adopted on the proposition of Mr. E. A. Barnett, seconded by Mr. F. E. Dukes.

#### 'THE RINGING WORLD' COMMITTEE

(June 21st, 1963, page 410)

Adopted on the proposition of Mr. J. F. Smallwood, seconded by Mr. R. S. Anderson. The committee (Messrs. Smallwood, Anderson, F. I. Hairs and W. G. Wilson) were re-appointed.

#### LITERATURE AND PRESS COMMITTEE

(June 21st, 1963, page 413)

Adopted on the proposition of Mr. F. E. Dukes, seconded by Mr. J. T. Dunwoody. The committee (Messrs. E. C. Shepherd and F. E. Dukes) were reappointed.

#### TOWERS AND BELFRIES COMMITTEE

(June 21st, 1963, page 411)

Adopted on the proposition of Mr. F. Sharpe, seconded by Mr. E. H. Lewis. The committee (Messrs. Sharpe, B. Austin, J. W. Clarke, F. E. Collins, J. Freeman, E. H. Lewis, W. A. Osborn, H. J. Sanger, the Rev. J. G. M. Scott and Mr. B. D. Threlfall) were reappointed. Congratulations were extended to Mr. Lewis on completing 50 years' membership of the committee.

#### BIOGRAPHIES COMMITTEE

(June 21st, 1963, page 412)

Adopted on the proposition of Mr. A. C. Hazelden, seconded by Mr. W. Ayre. Messrs. Hazelden and J. Willis were reappointed and Mr. T. J. Lock was added to the committee. Thanks were extended to Mr. L. Stillwell, who wished to retire, for his past services to the committee.

#### RECORDS COMMITTEE

(June 21st, 1963, page 417)

Adopted on the proposition of Mr. F. T. Blagrove, seconded by Mr. J. R. Mayne. It was noted that the method rung as Durham Surprise Major, Royal and Maximus had been renamed 'New Durham.' It was agreed that that rung as Deddington Hybrid Major should be named 'Little Alliance Major.'

The committee (Mrs. G. W. Fletcher, Mrs. C. C. Marshall and Messrs. F. T. Blagrove and J. R. Mayne) were reappointed.

## BROADCASTING AND TELEVISION COMMITTEE

(June 21st, 1963, page 414)

Adopted on the proposition of Mr. H. J. Sanger, seconded by Mr. J. T. Dunwoody. The committee (Messrs. Sanger, D. A. Bayles, Dunwoody, G. E. Fearn, H. N. Pistow, Canon A. G. G. Thurlow and Mr. R. St. C. Wilson) were reappointed.

## SUNDAY SERVICE RINGING AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

(June 21st, 1963, page 415)

Section I (Theological Colleges) was adopted on the proposition of Mr. N. Chaddock, seconded by Mr. F. B. Lufkin, and Section II (Courses and Miscellaneous Items) on the proposition of Mr. Chaddock, seconded by Mr. W. F. Moreton. Messrs. Chaddock, Lufkin and Moreton were reappointed and Mr. F. Sharpe and Miss M. R. Cross were added to the committee. Dr. D. N. Layton and Canon A. G. G. Thurlow did not seek reappointment.

## PEALS COLLECTION COMMITTEE

(June 21st, 1963, page 414)

Adopted on the proposition of Mr. W. E. Critchley, seconded by Mr. G. E. Feirn. The committee (Messrs. Critchley, Feirn, A. J. Pitman and R. F. B. Speed) were reappointed.

## PEALS ANALYSIS COMMITTEE

(June 21st, 1963, page 416-7)

Adopted on the proposition of Mr. W. Ayre, seconded by Canon K. W. H. Felstead. The committee (Mr. Ayre, Canon Felstead and Mr. H. L. Roper) were reappointed.

## METHODS COMMITTEE

(June 21st, 1963, page 410)

Adopted on the proposition of Mr. C. K. Lewis, seconded by Mr. F. T. Blagrove. Messrs. Lewis, Blagrove and J. R. Mayne were reappointed to the committee. Tributes were paid to the services rendered to the committee over the previous 15 years by Canon K. W. H. Felstead, who wished to retire.

## PEAL BOARDS COMMITTEE

It was agreed on the proposition of Mr. W. Ayre, seconded by Mr. F. I. Hairs, that the committee should be disbanded, with the Council's thanks to its members for their past services, and that they be asked to send all material collected to the Librarian.

## REPORT ON OVERSEAS RINGING

(June 21st, 1963, page 418)

Mr. G. W. Pipe reported. It was agreed on the proposition of Mr. F. I. Hairs, seconded by Mr. F. E. Dukes, that an Overseas Committee be formed. Messrs. Pipe (convener) and A. V. Sheppard were appointed on the proposition of Mrs. E. A. Barnett, seconded by Mr. J. R. Cooper.

## STANDING COMMITTEE—MEMBERSHIP

The hon. secretary announced the names of the ex-officio members: Canon A. G. G. Thurlow, Messrs. J. Freeman, E. A. Barnett, F. W. Perrens, A. A. Hughes, H. N. Pistow, E. H. Lewis, F. Sharpe, G. W. Fletcher, A. C. Hazelden, H. J. Sanger, E. C. Shepherd, C. K. Lewis, G. W. Pipe, W. Ayre, W. E. Critchley, F. T. Blagrove, J. F. Smallwood and N. Chaddock.

On a ballot, the following were elected to the committee: Mr. R. S. Anderson, Mrs. E. A. Barnett, Messrs. W. B. Cartwright, P. A. Corby, Miss M. R. Cross, Messrs. F. E. Dukes, F. I. Hairs, T. J. Lock, R. F. B. Speed, P. J. Staniforth, Mrs. P. J. Staniforth and Mr. W. G. Wilson.

## AMENDMENT OF RULE

A proposed amendment to Rule 13 standing in the names of Mr. R. S. Anderson and Mr. G. A. Halls was withdrawn by permission of the Council.

## MOTION

The following motion was, by permission of the Council, proposed on behalf of the Truro Diocesan Guild by Mr. D. Burnett in place of a motion on the Agenda paper and formally seconded by the hon. secretary in the absence of the original seconder:—

'That all chancellors be urged to ensure that in all faculty petitions arising as a result of quinquennial surveys of consecrated buildings, expert opinion has been taken in matters of bells, their frames and hanging, such matters being normally outside the usual work of the surveying architect; and when architect and experts are not in agreement, note to be taken of such disagreement.'

After debate, during which it was pointed out that the Council could not tell chancellors what they should do and the need for a more

comprehensive book on the care and preservation of bells was stressed, the motion was referred to the Towers and Belfries Committee, with power to act and to co-opt if necessary, on the proposition of Mr. C. K. Lewis, seconded by Mr. R. S. Anderson.

## PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Invitations had been received from the Truro Diocesan Guild to visit Truro, the Peterborough Diocesan Guild to visit Peterborough and the Coventry Diocesan Guild to visit Coventry. It was decided by a majority to accept the invitation to Truro.

## OTHER BUSINESS

The hon. secretary gave notice of motion to amend Rule 9 (Meetings of the Council) by substituting the words 'at a previous meeting' for 'at the previous meeting.'

Mr. T. J. Lock asked whether the Council would be prepared to take over from the Middlesex Association the publication of a booklet containing all Surprise Major methods which had been rung. On the proposition of Mr. F. E. Dukes, seconded by Mr. G. A. Halls, it was decided to refer the matter to the Methods Committee for consideration, with power to act.

Mr. G. Dodds proposed and Mr. W. Ayre seconded that Mr. Sharpe be asked to convey the good wishes of the Council to the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers during his forthcoming visit. This was carried.

## VOTES OF THANKS

On the motion of the president, the thanks of the Council were expressed to the Mayor of Yarmouth, the Archdeacon of Norwich and the president of the Norwich Diocesan Association for their welcome; to the Lord Bishop of Norwich for officiating at the Holy Communion service; to the officers of the Norwich Diocesan Association, in particular the Master, the hon. secretary, Mr. H. W. Barrett (and Mrs. Barrett), the Ringing Master, Mr. F. C. Goodman, and to the captain and secretary of the Great Yarmouth ringers (Messrs. A. Wigmore and P. Newstead) for local arrangements; to Mr. G. W. Fletcher for his help in obtaining the use of a room for headquarters; and to local incumbents and towerkeepers for the use of their bells.

After the meeting the members were the guests of the Mayor and Mayoress at tea.

## SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE

		Members	
		Present	Absent
Wholly represented	33	89	—
Partly represented	18	38	25
Not represented	9	—	12
	60	127	37
Life members		6	1
Honorary members		12	6
		145	44

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UDGERSHALL, WILTS.—On Feb. 22nd, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Patricia Heath 1, G. Heath 2, C. Butler 3, W. Alexander 4, G. Weston 5, D. Papworth (cond.) 6.



## THE BIRTH OF A SON TO PRINCESS ALEXANDRA AND MR. ANGUS OGILVY

**BARRINGTON, SOMERSET.**—On Feb. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Drayton 1, H. E. Turner 2, J. Cornelius (cond.) 3, A. Rowsell 4, T. Hill 5, R. J. Dean 6. Also a 72nd birthday compliment to James Stenner.

**HUTTON, ESSEX.**—On March 2nd, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): W. Wright 1, C. E. Hill 2, J. J. Walllett 3, W. T. Hill (cond.) 4, R. G. Jones 5.

### HALF PEAL

**BONVILSTON, GLAM.**—On March 4th, 2,520 Grandsire Doubles: I. Davies 1, C. Ricketts 2, Alana Thomas 3, P. Evans 4, E. Thomas (cond.) 5, L. Groom 6. First half by all.

**ADELAIDE, S. AUSTRALIA.**—On March 3rd, at St. Peter's Cathedral, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. O. Goulter 1, Monica E. Collins 2, F. N. Smeaton 3, K. Fleming 4, W. B. Pitcher (arranger and cond.) 5, D. J. Bleby 6, B. R. Cox 7, R. K. Russ 8.

**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—On March 1st, 1,344 Netherseale Surprise Minor: Carol Cousins 1, R. Rayfield 2, E. G. H. Godfrey 3, Margaret C. Godfrey 4, C. H. Macve 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6. First quarter in the method by all.

**ALDERSHOT, HANTS.**—On March 1st, 1,260 Siedman Triples: E. J. Bragg 1, Miss E. Stewart 2, W. H. Viggers 3, R. Bragg (first in method) 4, D. Eylesmore 5, K. Williamson 6, T. Page (first in method as cond.) 7, D. Cox 8.

**BURSTWICK, E. YORKS.**—On March 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. C. Brown 1, Jean M. Woodbridge 2, Patricia A. Wilson 3, P. Scrowston 4, D. P. B. Miles 5, J. I. Booth (cond.) 6. To mark the engagement of Jean M. Woodbridge and J. I. Booth.

**CARDIFF.**—On March 1st at St. John's Church, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss L. Morris (first quarter) 1, F. J. Hannington 2, F. Rowsell 3, T. Yeomans 4, M. Crowther 5, R. Elliot 6, J. Pryor (cond.) 7, W. Dare 8. In memoriam Seymour Barker.

**CHEADLE, CHESHIRE.**—On March 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Judith Batt (first quarter) 1, A. Frost 2, J. Bell 3, S. Livesay 4, H. Cook 5, Alex Cairns 6, C. Bell (cond.) 7, K. Ginger (first quarter) 8.

## QUARTER PEALS

**CHELSFIELD, KENT.**—On Feb. 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. C. Manger (cond.) 1, Jennifer Payne 2, Ann Blatcher 3, Hilary Martin 4, D. L. Parker 5, R. W. Hinde 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Dr. H. M. Thompson, churchwarden.

**CLAINES, WORCS.**—On March 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples (from Holt's Original): Miss G. A. Richards (first quarter) 1, R. Woodyatt (cond.) 2, A. P. White 3, Miss G. P. Blackwell 4, J. E. Whittall 5, H. Homans 6, A. Morgan 7, D. Gerard 8. For Evensong.

**EALING, MIDD.**—At St. Mary's Church on March 1st, 1,260 Siedman Triples: P. Felton 1, W. G. Wilson 2, A. M. Stacey 3, S. Croft 4, F. Ransom 5, A. H. Fulwell 6, M. T. Sprackling (first in method as cond.) 7, N. F. Felton 8. For morning service.

**EVERSHOT, DORSET.**—On Feb. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (10 callings): Mrs. M. M. Godley 1, H. D. W. Bishop (cond.) 2, Rev. A. F. Godley 3, H. Groves 4, H. C. R. Vine 5, K. G. Knight 6.

**FARNBOROUGH, SOMERSET.**—On Feb. 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Owen 1, A. Perry 2, K. T. Baker 3, R. Smith (cond.) 4, J. Fray 5, J. Coombes 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mr. E. Barter, a former ringer, interred this day.

**GREAT DALBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,260 Doubles (April Day, Canterbury Plain Bob): T. Field 1, R. Smith 2, A. E. Hinman 3, H. T. Bonshor (cond.) 4, C. E. Cooper 5. A birthday compliment to the conductor, and to celebrate his 25 years as tower captain.

**HASLINGFIELD, CAMBS.**—On March 1st, 1,320 Doubles (St. Simon's and Plain Bob): G. Barnard 1, F. W. Brown 2, W. J. Ridgman (cond.) 3, B. Horrell 4, A. E. Ling 5.

**KIRK ELLA, E. YORKS.**—On March 1st, 1,322 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Lynda B. Dalton (first of T.B.) 1, Patricia M. Samuel 2, G. K. Smith 3, F. C. Hobson (cond.) 4, A. B. Cooper 5, I. G. Campbell 6. First in method 2 and 3. For Evensong.

**MANCHESTER.**—At the Town Hall, 1,344 Plain Bob Major, on March 4th: Eileen Cross 1, J. B. Thorpe 2, P. J. Malloch 3, F. Reynolds 4, D. Gillespie 5, D. A. Ashton 6, A. Ward (cond.) 7, J. Brannan 8. Rung on the heavy eight.

**PLYMOUTH, DEVON.**—At the Church of St. Andrew on Feb. 9th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Priscilla M. Drake (first quarter on ten) 1, Mrs. D. R. Bould 2, D. R. Bould 3, R. A. Southwood 4, D. Linnington 5, S. F. O'Shaughnessy 6, F. E. Day (cond.) 7, H. F. Myers 8, A. W. Myers 9, W. H. Marks 10.

**POOLE, DORSET.**—On March 7th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: L. H. Pink 1, Judith A. Robertson 2, Kathleen E. Fletcher 3, C. E. Bishop 4, R. G. W. Robertson 5, R. H. True 6, A. V. Davis (cond.) 7, H. I. Pitman (first of Caters) 8, L. J. Lockyer 9, W. Damer (first of Caters) 10.

**READING, BERKS.**—At St. Mary's Church on Feb. 23rd, 1,280 London Surprise Major: Mrs. A. Diserens 1, Mrs. F. W. Lewis 2, Patricia E. Buss 3, Jennifer Cook 4, A. Diserens 5, P. J. Rohera 6, F. W. Lewis 7, N. J. Diserens (cond.) 8. First in method 2, 4 and 6.

**STOCKTON-ON-FOREST, E. YORKS.**—On Feb. 29th, 1,272 Minimus (ten methods): I. Johnson 1, R. Aldington 2, E. P. King 3, M. King (cond.) 4. First in ten Minimus methods by all.

**UBLEY, SOMERSET.**—On March 5th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: M. J. Horseman 1, G. Marchant 2, M. Heymann 3, B. Goodliffe 4, G. Pullin 5, J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 6. First in method 3 and 4.

**WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.**—At St. Saviour's on Feb. 26th, 1,260 Siedman Triples: C. Hughes 1, D. Ellisdon 2, H. Rumens 3, A. Crowson (first of Siedman) 4, K. Warner (first quarter) 5, J. Boyack 6, D. Hewitt (cond.) 7, A. Faulkner 8.

**WILMSLOW, CHESHIRE.**—On Jan. 26th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Christine Hale 1, S. Sage 2, J. D. Smith 3, A. Sharples 4, D. Mottershead 5, N. D. Lomas (cond.) 6. A 92nd birthday compliment to Mr. J. Wheadon. Also to celebrate the birth of a daughter (Katherine Ruth) to the ringer of 4.

**WHIXLEY, N. YORKS.**—On Feb. 28th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): L. J. Keen (first quarter) 1, R. Aldington 2, P. Thompson 3, M. King 4, G. Pluckrose (cond.) 5, I. Johnson 6. First in five Doubles methods for 1, 2, 3 and 6 and also for the St. John's College Bellringers' Society.

**YORK.**—At Heworth Croft on March 1st, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: I. Johnson 1—2, R. Aldington 3—4, M. King (cond.) 5—6. Rung by members of the St. John's College Bellringers' Society.

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On March 8th, the Sunday Service band at St. Lawrence's Church, Hawkhurst, carried on a pre-war tradition, by ringing two quarter peals on the same day. It was the first time a quarter peal has been rung on eight bells by a resident band for ten years. Congratulations to all, especially Judy Bowen who rang her 25th, and to the other 'first' achieved in the quarter of Bob Major. Both quarters were rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. S. G. Waters and a christening compliment to Master J. S. T. Waters.

The peal of Jedburgh Surprise Major at Pinchbeck, Lincs, on March 2nd was first in the method by all the band and Mr. Raymond Daw's 50th peal.

A few minutes after the birth of the new Prince, Biddenden, Kent ringers were unknowingly celebrating the event by ringing their first ever course of Kent Treble Bob Minor.

The band who rang the peal at Caythorpe, Lincs, on February 19th, wish to associate it with the name of the late Mr. George Scott, of Fulbeck, who died recently and was a founder member of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild.

St. Bartholomew's Church, Penn. has changed the date of the annual ringers' service from Advent Sunday to June 14th, as many friends had not been able to attend at that time of the year owing to inclement weather.

There will be no ringing at St. Michael's, Hathersage, Derbyshire, until further notice as the bells have been condemned as unsafe and dangerous to ring. It seems the bells will need quarter-turning and complete rehanging in a new metal frame before further ringing can take place.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. R. Peacy and their daughter Janet, from Willingdon, Sussex, were proposed members of the Kent County Association in the belfry prior to the peal, at Rainham, Kent. Apart from being rung in honour of the birth of a daughter to Princess Alexandra, it was an anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Cheal and a birthday compliment to Mr. Percy.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

Keith Fleming, of Bedford, is at present sailing round Australia in the M.V. Port Brisbane. He recently spent a few days in Adelaide, where he became the first ringer to score all three South Australian towers in one day. His visit was rounded off with a quarter of Grandsire Triples at St. Peter's Cathedral.

Mr. F. J. Sage of Luppitt, Devon, has left for Saskatoon, Canada.

The method rung in the peal at Westerham, on February 22nd, was Lincoln Surprise Major and not Lincolnshire as published on page 178.

In honour of the royal birth, a peal is to be attempted tomorrow (Saturday), March 21st, at St. Paul's Cathedral, London, at 4.30 p.m.

We are informed by Mr. Brian Bladon that the handbell peal at Swindon on page 181 is a hoax, and we accordingly ask for it to be expunged from all records.

Two of the members of the new band formed at South Mymms last February, under the direction of Mr. Geoffrey Dodds and helpers from St. Albans Abbey, rang in the quarter peal in honour of the royal birth on March 12th. It is over 40 years since a quarter peal was rung on South Mymms bells.

The Rev. A. Clayton informs us that quarter peal attempts will take place at Clapham Park about once a fortnight and that visitors to London should contact him at 152, Brudenell Road, Tooting Graveney, S.W.17, stating their capabilities. Quarter peals start at 2 p.m. sharp on a Sunday. Parties on outings should also contact him.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. Tom Myers, of Plymouth, has been confined to his house since February 10th. His spirits, however, are high and during the past couple of weeks he has made a little headway. With the warmer weather near at hand, and his determination to be up and doing, his friends are certain they will see a steady progress.

We are sorry to learn that the health of Mr. Frank Knight is giving him concern. He has been off work for three weeks and is having out-patient hospital treatment for adrenal glands. His doctor has advised him to leave Hampshire, a thing he is reluctant to do as he has made a lot of grand new friends in the Winchester Guild area.

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RAINHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Margaret.

## A PEAL OF 5184 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 18½ cwt. in E flat.

MRS. EMILY B. P. CHEAL .. Treble	STANLEY V. RAYFIELD .. 5
MRS. BETTY PERCY .. 2	FRANCIS J. CHEAL .. 6
JANET M. PERCY .. 3	ROBERT W. R. PERCY .. 7
EVELYN M. CUMBERWORTH .. 4	TIMOTHY D. WICKINS .. Tenor

Composed by R. BENISTON.

Conducted by TIMOTHY D. WICKINS.

ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

At the Church of St. James,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.	Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in G.
ANTHONY J. HELLIWELL .. Treble	JOHN P. PARTINGTON .. 4
*RICHARD HOLT .. 2	JOHN PILKINGTON .. 5
JOHN T. PARSONS .. 3	ROGER LEIGH .. Tenor

Conducted by ROGER LEIGH.

\* First peal of Minor 'inside.'

CHURCH EATON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Editha,

## A PEAL OF 5640 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Being 47 extents (15 callings).	Tenor 11 cwt.
*ELIZABETH TIMMINS .. Treble	†PHILIP G. K. DAVIES .. 4
BARNABAS G. KEY .. 2	*REMI HODISTER .. 5
E. MARION KEY .. 3	IAN FRIEND .. Tenor

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

\* First peal in the method. † First of Doubles in the method, and completes Doubles to Cinques.

CITY OF LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours,

At the Church of St. Vedast,

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being Nos. 58, 59, 64, 65, 66, 68 and 69 of Central Council Collection.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

WILLIAM A. THEOBALD .. Treble	JOHN C. EISEL .. 4
ANDREW N. STUBBS .. 2	NOEL J. DISERENS .. 5
DAVID T. DARBY .. 3	WILFRED WILLIAMS .. Tenor

Conducted by NOEL J. DISERENS.

LANGDALE, WESTMORLAND.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

At the Church of the Holy Trinity,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

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

Tenor 10 cwt.

*NICHOLAS M. NEWBY, JUN. Treble	JOHN BAGNALL .. 4
ALAN CAPSTICK .. 2	*THOMAS F. METCALFE .. 5
JAMES E. BURLS .. 3	NICHOLAS M. NEWBY .. Tenor

Conducted by NICHOLAS M. NEWBY.

\* First peal in seven methods.

EASTHAMPTSTEAD, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael and Mary Magdalene,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In five methods, being one extent of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's and three different extents of Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 17 lb. in A.

*KEITH R. GODDARD .. Treble	ARTHUR J. N. RANCE .. 4
*ROSEMARY RICH .. 2	†GRAHAM C. J. MURRELL .. 5
*STANLEY G. SCOTT .. 3	FRANK C. PRICE .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK C. PRICE.

\* First peal. † First in five methods.

## TWELVE BELL PEAL

BRISTOL.

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 37 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary, Redcliffe.

## A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 50 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb. in B.

PATRICK J. BIRD .. Treble	IVOR H. TRUEMAN .. 7
ELISABETH A. G. BOWDEN .. 2	TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. 8
DEREK M. SAWYER .. 3	ANTONY R. KENCH .. 9
FRANK D. MACK .. 4	*JOHN C. BALDWIN .. 10
*C. MARTIN FOSTER .. 5	*IAN C. MAYCOCK .. 11
*MICHAEL T. SPRACKLING .. 6	BRIAN J. WYLDE .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by PATRICK J. BIRD.

\* First peal on 12. † First of Stedman Cinques. ‡ 100th peal.

## TEN BELL PEALS

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., March 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

## A PEAL OF 5077 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 25 cwt. 81 lb. in D.

ROBERT B. SMITH .. Treble	EDWARD JENKINS .. 6
TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. 2	NEIL BENNETT .. 7
*JOHN F. BARLOW .. 3	†BARRIE HENDRY .. 8
ROBERT J. WARRILLOW .. 4	BASIL JONES .. 9
DEREK A. ASHTON .. 5	*DEREK YATES .. Tenor

Composed by FREDK. H. DEXTER.

Conducted by ROBERT B. SMITH.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters. † First of Stedman Caters 'inside.'

First of Caters as conductor.

Rung as a tribute to Mrs. Ada Dunkerley, mother of Fred Dunkerley.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,

In the Norman Tower,

## A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 30 cwt. in C sharp.

*J. A. HARRISON (Sidney) .. Treble	J. H. R. FREEBORN (Clare) .. 6
*R. M. DAMERELL (Corpus) .. 2	A. R. HEPPENSTALL (Selwyn) .. 7
J. M. H. HUNTER (Trinity) .. 3	J. H. FIELDEN (St. Cath.'s) .. 8
W. T. COOK (Jesus) .. 4	J. R. TAYLOR (St. Cath.'s) .. 9
C. H. ROGERS (Emmanuel) .. 5	S. C. WALTERS (Pembroke) Tenor

Composed by HADLEY HUNTER (No. 2).

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER H. ROGERS.

\* First peal of Stedman. First of Stedman as conductor.

A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Haynes on the birth of a son.

RETFORD, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Swithun,

## A PEAL OF 5077 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 23 cwt.

KATHARINE BURCHNALL .. Treble	HARRY POYNER .. 6
ANNE BATESON .. 2	JAMES W. RAITHEY .. 7
GRACE BURCHNALL .. 3	COLIN W. REED .. 8
BERYL N. REED .. 4	*WILLIAM L. EXTON .. 9
MARY C. POYNER .. 5	†JOHN COATES .. Tenor

Composed by F. H. DEXTER.

Conducted by HARRY POYNER.

\* 175th peal. † First on ten bells. W. L. Exton has now rung 25 peals with ringers of fourth, seventh and eighth. First of Stedman Caters as conductor. First of Stedman Caters by a band resident in the diocese.

A birthday compliment to Beryl N. Reed.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

NORTON, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Nicholas,

## A PEAL OF 5152 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 lb. in A flat.

GILES B. THOMPSON .. Treble	ANDREW C. D. MAYES .. 5
BRIAN B. HULLAH .. 2	ANTHONY H. SMITH .. 6
A. TREVOR HAWKINS .. 3	MARTIN MAJOR .. 7
JEAN SANDERSON .. 4	DAVID R. SAUNDERSON .. Tenor

Composed by S. IVIN.

Conducted by MARTIN MAJOR.

A 21st birthday compliment to Brian Hullah.

CAWTHORNE, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Feb. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Vincent,

## A PEAL OF 5088 NEW GLOUCESTER SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

DELIA E. SMITH .. Treble	COLIN W. REED .. 5
BERYL N. REED .. 2	JOHN FREEMAN .. 6
GEOFFREY PAUL .. 3	A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL .. 7
JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. 4	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. Tenor

Composed by W. E. CRITCHLEY.

Conducted by JOHN FREEMAN.

First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Guild.

MEASHAM, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Laurence,

## A PEAL OF 5056 HITCHIN SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb. in F sharp.

JOHN K. SMITH .. Treble	*ALAN E. HARTLEY .. 5
RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. 2	*R. KINGSLEY MASON .. 6
*REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. 3	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. 7
*RUSSELL S. MORRIS .. 4	DEREK P. JONES .. Tenor

Composed by HAROLD G. CASHMORE. Conducted by DEREK P. JONES.

\* First peal in the method.



METHERINGHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRED.

**A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 7½ cwt. in A.

JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. Treble	GEORGE H. RANGLES.. .. 5
*JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. 2	JOHN WALDEN .. .. 6
*ANN BATESON .. .. 3	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. 7
NORAH M. RANGLES.. .. 4	GEOFFREY R. PARKER.. .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by GEOFFREY R. PARKER.  
\* First peal of Double Norwich 'inside.'

NORWICH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL-AT-COSLANY.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

F. CHARLES GOODMAN .. Treble	DAVID CUBITT .. .. 5
ARTHUR G. BASON .. .. 2	JOHN COX .. .. 6
*MAUREEN P. CUBITT.. .. 3	ROY DUESBURY .. .. 7
MARTIN CUBITT.. .. 4	PETER M. ADCOCK .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by ROY DUESBURY.

\* First peal of Major.

Rung half-muffled in memory of Walter C. Medler.

FRINDSBURY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Feb. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5152 TRURO SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 4 lb. in F.

REGINALD E. LAMBERT .. Treble	MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 5
THOMAS E. SONE .. .. 2	CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON.. 6
CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 7
TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. 4	THOMAS CULLINGWORTH .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN. Conducted by MARTIN L. HOWE.

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

ATHERSTONE, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5152 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb. in A.

ALFRED BALLARD .. .. Treble	RALPH ELKINGTON .. .. 5
BERYL E. CAWSE .. .. 2	RUSSELL S. MORRIS .. .. 6
W. ERNEST RAWSON .. .. 3	BRIAN S. CHAPMAN .. .. 7
J. EDWARD CAWSE .. .. 4	E. ALAN JACQUES .. .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by J. EDWARD CAWSE.

A golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Peers, of Tamworth.

EAST ILSLEY, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Sir Arthur Heywood's transposition of 'Thurstans' Four-Part.

Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb.

PATRICIA E. HIBBERT.. .. Treble	*DAVID L. WILCOX .. .. 5
DAVID PAPWORTH .. .. 2	WALTER HUNT .. .. 6
HENRY J. LAWRENSEN .. 3	*ROGER B. PIKE .. .. 7
JOE CONSTANT .. .. 4	CLIFFORD CARTER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ROGER B. PIKE.

\* First peal of Stedman. First of Triples for conductor.

FLETCHING, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. ANDREW AND MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

**A PEAL OF 5120 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 9 lb. in G.

*DOUGLAS P. SNOSWELL .. Treble	*ALAN R. BALDOCK .. .. 5
†ANGELA GRAINGER .. .. 2	*THOS. M. BARLOW .. .. 6
*JOHN R. NORRIS .. .. 3	BERNARD G. NORTH .. .. 7
†FREDERICK J. LAMBERT .. 4	*IAN V. J. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by IAN V. J. SMITH.

\* First peal of Kent. † 50th peal. ‡ 200th peal for the Association.

Rung in memory of Richard C. Hide, of Southover, who died the previous week.

HEATHFIELD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 11 cwt. 8 lb. in G.

KEITH G. GAME .. .. Treble	*BERNARD G. NORTH .. .. 5
FREDERICK J. LAMBERT .. 2	THOS. M. BARLOW .. .. 6
JOHN R. NORRIS .. .. 3	†ALAN R. BALDOCK .. .. 7
*COLIN H. COOK .. .. 4	IAN V. J. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. MARTIN. Conducted by ALAN R. BALDOCK.

\* First peal of Plain Bob Major. † 25th peal.

HIGHER WALTON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In eight methods, being 768 each of London and Rutland, 640 Bristol, 576 each Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire; with 142 changes of method.

WALTER E. WILKINSON .. Treble	NEIL BENNETT .. .. 5
ERNEST BENNETT .. .. 2	CYRIL CROSTHWAITE .. .. 6
*RICHARD J. PARKER .. .. 3	NORMAN SMITH .. .. 7
*PHILIP J. CROSTHWAITE.. 4	JAMES H. PAILING .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NORMAN SMITH.

\* First peal of 8-spliced.

OTTERY ST. MARY, DEVON.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN, KING EDWARD THE CONFESSOR AND ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

*MALCOLM M. POWELL .. Treble	ALAN CARVEITH .. .. 5
ANN E. FELLOWS .. .. 2	FRANK D. MACK .. .. 6
*JOHN H. TAYLOR .. .. 3	NORMAN MALLET .. .. 7
*CAROLYN VIBERT .. .. 4	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.

\* First peal in the method.

A fourth birthday compliment to Paul Norman Mallett, son of the ringer of the seventh. Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb. in E.

WOODFORD, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

**A PEAL OF 5184 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb. in F sharp.

*WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM, JUN. Treble	ADIAN ST. JOHN BOYACK .. 5
†ELIZABETH T. BIRMINGHAM 2	DENNIS A. HEWITT .. .. 6
*TIMOTHY G. PETT .. .. 3	WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. 7
†ANTHONY M. FAULKNER .. 4	JOHN H. CRAMPION .. .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by JOHN H. CRAMPION.

\* First peal of Major, and of Kent T.B. † First of Kent T.B.

Rung to celebrate the engagement of Mr. T. G. Pett and Miss E. T. Birmingham; also as a 21st birthday compliment (February 28th) to Miss E. T. Birmingham.

ST. DAVID'S, PEMBROKESHIRE.

THE ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., March 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. DAVID.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 24 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in D.

MARY E. PRYOR .. .. Treble	W. GWYN THOMAS .. .. 5
PETER J. SHIPTON .. .. 2	ROGER KING .. .. 6
DONALD G. CLIFT .. .. 3	ROGER G. HAVARD .. .. 7
JOHN OWEN .. .. 4	DAVID J. LLEWELLYN.. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by DAVID J. LLEWELLYN.

Cenir clychau ar ddydd Gwyl Dewi Sant.

WOODBURY, DEVON.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

On Sun., March 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHIN.

**A PEAL OF 5088 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb. in E flat.

*JOHN H. TAYLOR .. .. Treble	*MALCOLM M. POWELL .. .. 5
*JEAN M. BARNETT .. .. 2	JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD .. 6
*CAROLYN VIBERT .. .. 3	FRANK D. MACK .. .. 7
*NORMAN MALLET .. .. 4	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.

\* First peal in the method.

PINCHBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., March 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL 5088 JEDBURGH SURPRISE MAJOR**

ROGER D. BAILEY .. .. Treble	GEORGE W. MASSEY .. .. 5
DENIS WOODS .. .. 2	RAYMOND H. DAW .. .. 6
EDWIN T. CHAPMAN .. .. 3	CYRIL R. BURRELL .. .. 7
DEREK J. JONES .. .. 4	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. Tenor

Composed by RICHARD F. B. SPEED.

Rung in memoriam Stanley E. Bennett.

Tenor 18 cwt. 19 lb.

EDENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., March 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

J. W. Washbrook's variation of 'Thurstans' Four-Part.

NORAH M. RANGLES .. .. Treble	*WILLIAM A. HOLMES .. .. 5
JOHN WALDEN .. .. 2	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. .. 6
DONOVAN R. WHITE .. .. 3	JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. .. 7
GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. 4	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam Stanley E. Bennett, who was interred at Spalding this day. Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in F.



## ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

At the Church of St. James.

## A PEAL OF 5152 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, being 1,280 London, 1,312 Bristol, 1,568 Cambridge and 992 Superlative; with 106 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell.

ERNEST BENNETT .. .. Treble	RICHARD J. PARKER .. .. 5
JEANNE E. BOTTOMLEY .. .. 2	CYRIL CROSSHWAITE .. .. 6
*WALTER E. WILKINSON .. .. 3	W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. .. 7
PHILIP J. CROSSHWAITE .. .. 4	VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN.

Conducted by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

\* First peal of Spiced Surprise.

Rung to welcome Gillian, daughter of Norman and Sheila Smith, born on this day.

## BENINGTON, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Peter.

## A PEAL OF 5120 PLYMOUTH SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.

CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. Treble	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 5
*THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 2	*COLIN A. S. HARWOOD .. 6
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 3	*JACK S. DEAR .. .. 7
*ERIC EDMONDSON .. .. 4	*J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal in the method. First in the method in the county, and for the Association.

## CLIFFE-AT-HOO, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Helen.

## A PEAL OF 5056 QUORNDEN SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb. in E flat.

GEORGE FRY .. .. Treble	MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 5
ANN JENNER .. .. 2	EDWARD J. JENNER .. .. 6
ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. 3	PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. 7
IAN H. ORAM .. .. 4	STANLEY JENNER .. .. Tenor

Composed by ALBERT J. PITMAN.

Conducted by STANLEY JENNER.

First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Association.

## HANDSWORTH, BIRMINGHAM.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in F.

RICHARD C. INGRAM .. Treble	*MAURICE G. INGRAM .. 5
WILLIAM J. V. CONDUCT .. 2	JOHN W. COLEMAN .. .. 6
*ALAN S. BURBIDGE .. .. 3	DAVID R. INGRAM .. .. 7
JOHN McDONALD .. .. 4	DAVID J. PURNELL .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN.

Conducted by JOHN McDONALD.

\* First peal of Surprise.

## HOOK NORTON, OXFORDSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Peter.

## A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 20 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in E.

CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. Treble	PETER D. BEEDIE .. .. 5
*FREDERICK W. SODEN .. .. 2	*BRIAN W. HALL .. .. 6
PETER J. HERIAGE .. .. 3	D. KAY ADKIN .. .. 7
ANTHONY D. SANSOM .. .. 4	EDWARD R. VENN .. .. Tenor

Composed by P. G. K. DAVIES.

Conducted by D. KAY ADKINS.

\* First peal in the method.

## HUGHENDEN, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

## A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

J. J. Parker's Six-Part .. Treble	DAVID A. CORNWALL .. 5
KEITH H. GOULD .. .. 2	PERCY NEWTON .. .. 6
ROLAND BIGGS .. .. 3	ARTHUR NEWTON .. .. 7
JOHN YOUNG .. .. 4	L. JOSEPH YOUNG .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID A. CORNWALL.

First peal in the method on the bells, and by all the band.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## ELSTREE, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Nicholas.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in four methods, viz.: (1) Oxford Treble Bob, (2) Kent Treble Bob, (3) St. Clement's Bob, (4, 5, 6 and 7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in B.

ANN P. ROBINSON .. Treble	*GRAHAM T. RIDGEWAY .. 4
*MICHAEL J. SHERRICK .. 2	GERALD PENNEY .. .. 5
*KEITH J. WALPOLE .. .. 3	*DAVID R. SAUNDERSON .. Tenor

Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

\* First peal. † First in four methods. ‡ 25th peal.

## FULBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Nicholas.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents, called differently. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 3 lb.

JOHN H. BENNETT .. Treble	HARRY BARNES .. .. 4
G. ANGUS DIXON .. .. 2	CHARLES V. CADE .. .. 5
W. STANLEY SMITH .. .. 3	LOUIS WILLIERS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by LOUIS WILLIERS.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect for George Scott (86), founder member of the Guild and 71 years a ringer at Fulbeck Parish Church, who was interred in the above churchyard. R.I.P.

## WANLIP, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Syston District.)

On Sat., Feb. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

At the Church of Our Lady and St. Nicholas.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (ten callings). Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb. in B flat.

B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. Treble	MICHAEL G. GODWIN .. 4
MALCOLM D. BARSBY .. 2	ROGER I. KENDRICK .. 5
*FREDERICK FAULKNER .. 3	RAYMOND R. BROWN .. Tenor

Conducted by B. STEDMAN PAYNE.

\* First peal 'inside.' The conductor has now 'circled the tower.'

## WHITNEY-ON-WYE, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., Feb. 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.

At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in 12 methods, being 12 extents of Grandsire, six each of Plain Bob and Rev. Canterbury, and two each of Rev. St. Bartholomew, Northrepps, Newborough, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, Southrepps, April Day, Seighford and Kennington.

COLIN A. LEWIS .. Treble	*RICHARD J. LLOYD .. 3
GILLIAN GRANEY .. .. 2	ROBERT A. HATCHER .. 4

JOHN W. HOPE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN W. HOPE.

\* First peal 'inside.'

Rung as a farewell to the Rural Dean of Weobley (Preb. W. R. Griffiths, M.B.E.) and Mrs. Griffiths.

## ELFORD, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

On Mon., Feb. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Peter.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 7 cwt. 17 lb. in G.

EDWIN DEAKIN .. Treble	JOHN K. SMITH .. .. 4
WILLIAM H. CURSON .. .. 2	DEREK P. JONES .. .. 5
JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. 3	DAVID EAMES .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DEREK P. JONES.

## BARNBY-IN-THE-WILLOWS, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Feb. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes.

At the Church of All Saints.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 240 Morris', 240 Pitman (Grandsire), 33 120's Grandsire and five Plain Bob.

MARGARET E. CHILTON .. Treble	W. NEVILLE BROWN .. 4
RUTH BLACKSHAW .. .. 2	JOHN R. PRATCHETT .. 5
MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 3	DENNIS SIMPSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. PRATCHETT.

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ST. MARY BOURNE, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
*On Wed., Feb. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

Tenor 12 cwt.

BRADLEY MURDUCK (14) .. Treble	GEOFF. K. DODD .. .. 4
DENBY P. MURDUCK .. .. 2	PHILIP MURDUCK .. .. 5
JOHN PARES .. .. 3	EDDIE COX (15) .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PHILIP MURDUCK.

First peal as conductor.

BIRKENHEAD, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
*On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Being three extents of Oxford and four of Kent.

Tenor 11 cwt. 9 lb. in G.

*ANTHONY P. FOSTER .. Treble	\$F. LESLIE COVENTRY .. 4
†MICHAEL PILGRIM .. .. 2	ALEXANDER J. MARTIN .. 5
*V. DAVID JENNER .. .. 3	BRIAN D. THRELFALL .. Tenor

Conducted by ALEXANDER J. MARTIN.

\* First peal attempt. † First of Minor. ‡ First of Minor 'inside.'  
§ First of Treble Bob.

DEEPPING ST. NICHOLAS, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
*On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 14 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being seven 720's, viz.: (1) Cambridge. (2) Double Oxford. (3) Oxford Bob. (4) Oxford. (5) St. Clement's. (6) Kent. (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 6½ cwt.

ROGER D. BAILEY .. Treble	DENIS WOODS .. .. 4
EDWIN T. CHAPMAN .. .. 2	CHARLES E. BLACK .. .. 5
ALAN G. PAYNE .. .. 3	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ROGER D. BAILEY.

GREAT BARRINGTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
*On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

Being two extents each of London and Bourne, and three of Cambridge.

Tenor 8 cwt.

PETER PEARCE .. .. Treble	BRIAN W. HALL .. .. 4
*FREDERICK W. SODEN .. 2	D. KAY ADKINS .. .. 5
PETER BEEDIE .. .. 3	THOMAS W. TIMMS .. Tenor

Conducted by D. KAY ADKINS.

\* 50th peal.

KIRK DEIGHTON, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
*On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being an extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, St. Clement's, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

ALAN SHEPPARD .. .. Treble	*JOHN POTTIS .. .. 4
KENNETH B. SISSONS .. 2	JOHN F. UNDERWOOD .. 5
MELVYN A. ROSE .. .. 3	J. MARTIN THORLEY .. Tenor

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

\* 100th peal. The conductor's 500th peal.

MARCHINGTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD  
*On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb. in G.

LUCY SMITH .. .. Treble	†CLIFFORD W. BOWEN .. 4
*D. KAY MOORE .. .. 2	‡LESLIE MONK .. .. 5
†CYRIL T. COLLINS .. 3	CLIVE M. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CLIVE M. SMITH.

\* First peal in method on tower bells. † First peal. ‡ First in the method.

NORTH MUSKHAM, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.  
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.  
*On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being two extents each of Oxford and Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb. in F sharp.

KATHARINE BURCHNALL .. Treble	†F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER .. 4
*ANTONY JACKSON .. .. 2	W. NEVILLE BROWN .. 5
GRACE BURCHNALL .. .. 3	WILLIAM L. EXTON .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM L. EXTON.

\* First peal in three Minor methods. † 50th peal on the bells.  
70th peal on the bells.

TYBERTON, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
*On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In 21 methods, being two extents of St. Simon's, Grandsire, Newborough, Rev. St. Bartholomew, Northrepps, Fortune, Rushall, All Saints, Marchington, Costessy, St. Colum, Little Aston, Clifford's Pleasure, Rev. Canterbury, Southrepps, Besthorpe, Old Bob, Seighford, April Day, Kennington and Plain Bob. Tenor 6½ cwt.

MARGARET J. HOPE .. Treble	FREDERICK R. HARRIS .. 3
JOHN CLAYTON .. .. 2	ROBERT A. HATCHER .. 4

JOHN W. HOPE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT A. HATCHER.

WEST DEEPPING, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
*On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In 12 methods, being: (1) Kent and Oxford. (2) Plain and Double: (3) Childwall and Thelwall. (4) Beverley and Surfleet. (5) Oxford Bob. (6) St. Clement's and Double Oxford. (7) Cambridge. Tenor 10½ cwt.

ALAN G. PAYNE .. Treble	ROGER D. BAILEY .. 4
*WENDY HOLLOWELL .. 2	JOHN H. BLUFF .. .. 5
*RAYMOND H. DAW .. 3	*BRIAN HARRIS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN HARRIS.

\* Most methods to a peal. † First peal in 12 Minor methods.

WIVELSFIELD, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
*On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in five methods, viz.: (1) Cambridge Surprise. (2) Oxford Treble Bob. (3 and 4) Kent Treble Bob. (5) St. Clement's College Bob. (6 and 7) Plain Bob. Tenor 5 cwt. 3 qr. in B.

EDNA M. EVEREST .. Treble	*IAN V. J. SMITH .. .. 4
VALERIE MEPHAM .. .. 2	THOS. M. BARLOW .. .. 5
CHRISTINE M. FULLER .. 3	ALAN R. BALDOCK .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN R. BALDOCK.

\* 25th peal. First in five Minor methods by all.

LUPPITT, DEVON.  
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.  
*On Mon., March 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being one extent each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, St. Clement's, Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lb. in F sharp.

BRIAN PIDGEON .. Treble	*MARTIN F. LOCK .. .. 4
NORMAN MALLETT .. .. 2	FREDERICK J. SAGE .. .. 5
SIDNEY SKINNER .. .. 3	FRANK D. MACK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by SIDNEY SKINNER.

\* Most number of methods to a peal 'inside.'  
Rung as a farewell to Frederick J. Sage on his departure to Canada.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
*On Fri., March 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE, COLEGATE.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In eight methods, being four extents each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Nicholas', Winchendon, Stedman, St. Simon's, St. Martin's, nine of Grandsire and nine of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

PETER M. ADCOCK .. Treble	JOHN A. COX .. .. 4
MARTIN CUBITT .. .. 2	F. CHARLES GOODMAN .. 5
DAVID CUBITT .. .. 3	*DESMOND P. MORTLOCK .. Tenor

Conducted by F. CHARLES GOODMAN.

\* First peal.  
Rung half-muffled in memoriam William Love.

CAXTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.  
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
*On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being one extent each of Ipswich Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Single Oxford Bob, St. Clement's College Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.

WILLIAM A.R. CHAMBERLAIN Treble	GEORGE E. BONHAM .. 4
LESLIE F. BAILEY .. .. 2	ALAN S. SMITH .. .. 5
SHEILA I. SMITH .. .. 3	BRYAN F. SIMS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by LESLIE F. BAILEY.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. V. K. Bailey, mother of the conductor.

CRANFORD, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.  
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
*On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being extents of Single Court, Double Oxford, Thelwall, St. Clement's, Childwall, Single Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 2 lb.

*SHIRLEY RUDDLESSEN .. Treble	ROGER W. SMITH .. .. 4
ALAN A. PAUL .. .. 2	†STANLEY M. RUDDLESSEN 5
GRAHAM C. PAUL .. .. 3	GEORGE F. ROOME .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GRAHAM C. PAUL.

\* First peal. † First in seven Minor methods.



# ELMLEY CASTLE, WORCESTERSHIRE. THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Tenor 17 cwt, in E.

MICHAEL G. SELBY .. .. Treble	WILLIAM B. POMEROY .. 4
*ARTHUR C. BERRY .. .. 2	GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. 5
IAN LLOYD .. .. 3	GERALD C. HEMMING .. Tenor

Composed by REV. E. BANKES JAMES.

Conducted by GERALD C. HEMMING.

\* First peal of Surprise Minor. † First of Surprise 'inside.'

# SANDRIDGE, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Single Oxford, Double Oxford, Double Bob, Cambridge, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and St. Clement's Bob.

Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb. in B.

GERALD PENNEY .. .. Treble	SHEILA BROWN .. .. 4
*JULIA A. FELLOWS .. .. 2	*A. TREVOR HAWKINS .. 5
ROGER D. R. BROWN .. 3	*KEITH J. WALPOLE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

\* First peal in seven methods.

# SHERFIELD-ON-LODDON, HAMPSHIRE.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents (five callings).

Tenor 8½ cwt.

*COLEEN PRICOT .. .. Treble	DENBY P. MURDUCK .. .. 4
†BRADLEY MURDUCK .. .. 2	GEOFFREY K. DODD .. .. 5
PAUL G. HOLMES .. .. 3	PHILIP MURDUCK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.

\* First peal of Minor. † First of Minor 'inside.' First of Minor on the bells, the only previous one being Grandsire Doubles rung 51 years ago, in February, 1913.

# HANDBELL PEALS

## ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., Feb. 5, 1964, in 1 Hour and 40 Minutes,

AT 17, QUEEN STREET.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

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

Tenor size 11 in G.

GERALD PENNEY .. .. 1—2 | GEOFFREY DODDS .. .. 3—4

JOYCE DODDS .. .. 5—6

Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

50th peal as conductor. First handbell peal of Minor in eight methods by all the band.

# STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTSHIRE.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., March 2, 1964, in 1 Hour and 48 Minutes,

AT 33, BRIDGE END ROAD.

## A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

Consisting of 29 methods, in the following seven extents: (1) Barham, Pembroke and Berkeley Delight, Berwyn Treble Bob; (2) Oswald, Edinburgh and Kentish Delight, Waterford Treble Bob; (3) Cambridge Surprise, (4) Cambridge, Beverley, Surfleet, Primrose, Berwick and Hexham Surprise, Burslem and Waltham Delight; (5) Oxford Treble Bob, (6) Sandal, London Scholars', Kingston, Capel, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury, Ockley and Oxford Treble Bob, Wath, Pontefract, Carisbrooke and Donottar Delight. Tenor size 15 in C.

GORDON W. LAND .. .. 1—2 | BRIAN BLADON .. .. 3—4

ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. 5—6

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

# BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(The Humphrey Perkins School Campanological Society.)

On Fri., March 6, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes,

AT THE HUMPHREY PERKINS SCHOOL,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

E. M. Atkins' .. .. Tenor size 15 in C.

DAN S. PONT .. .. 1—2 | REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. 5—6

DAVID F. MOORE .. .. 3—4 | B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. .. 7—8

Conducted by B. STEDMAN PAYNE.

# QUARTER PEALS

**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—On March 8th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. Rayfield 1, Carol Cousins (first of Surprise 'inside') 2, Margaret C. Godfrey 3, E. G. H. Godfrey 4, C. H. Macve 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6. Also 1,440 Annable's London Surprise: Carol Cousins 1, R. Rayfield 2, E. G. H. Godfrey 3, Margaret C. Godfrey 4, C. H. Macve 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6. First in method by all the band.

**ALBRIGHTON, SHROPSHIRE.**—On Feb. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles: Miss J. Winship (first quarter) 1, F. Beech, Jr. (cond.) 2, G. Morrall 3, I. Friend 4, E. Morrall 5, E. Binnersley 6. A compliment to Dr. Legge on his 83rd birthday.

**ALMELEY, HEREFORDS.**—On March 1st, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): A. W. Williams 1, W. J. Clayton 2, R. J. Lloyd 3, R. I. Hughes 4, J. W. Hope (cond.) 5, K. Squires (first quarter) 6. For Matins.

**BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICS.**—On March 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. 1, Kendrick 1, M. G. Godwin 2, F. K. Thompson 3, M. D. Bardsley 4, J. R. Perkins 5, B. S. Payne (cond.) 6. For Evensong, St. David's Day.

**BETHERSDEN, KENT.**—On March 1st, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: L. Sweetman 1, Elizabeth Stewart 2, P. J. Jarvis (first of Surprise) 3, J. V. Richards 4, G. Stewart 5, M. W. Marshall (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**BISHOPSTHORPE, YORK.**—On March 8th, 1,272 Plain Bob Minimus: S. P. D. Burnett 1, Susan Thompson 2, C. Banton 3, C. J. Groome (cond.) 4. For Evensong.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—At the Church of St. Mary the Great on March 8th, 1,311, Stedman Cinques: H. Brown 1, J. Sibson 2, H. Muncey 3, H. Hunter 4, C. Muncey 5, E. G. Hibbins (cond.) 6, R. M. Danerell 7, D. E. Sibson 8, T. R. Dennis 9, H. Foster 10, C. M. P. Johnson 11, J. Harrison 12. First of Stedman Cinques 3, 5, 7, 10 and 12. For Mothering Sunday Evensong.

**CHURCH LAWTON, CHESHIRE.**—On March 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: N. Warburton (first attempt) 1, R. Arrowsmith 2, A. Fryer (first attempt) 3, H. Dowler 4, P. Atkins 5, R. Wharton (first quarter and first as cond.) 6. For Mothers' Day service.

**EAST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.**—On Jan. 18th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: J. H. Griffin 1, Valerie J. Howard 2, Diana J. Butcher 3, C. Jane Smart 4, M. P. Howard 5, D. Slater 6, F. H. Hicks 7, J. A. Howard (cond.) 8. First of T.B. Major 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6. Also on March 8th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Janet E. Blake (first quarter) 1, J. H. Griffin (first of Major) 2, Diana J. Butcher 3, C. Jane Smart 4, D. Slater 5, M. P. Howard 6, F. H. Hicks 7, J. A. Howard (cond.) 8.

**GREENWICH, KENT.**—At St. Alfege's Church on March 7th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: W. J. Rawlings 1, D. P. Smith 2, Miss H. Oakshett 3, D. Brown 4, Miss F. Cannon 5, J. Ball 6, M. F. Oakshett 7, P. Cave 8, J. W. Smith (cond.) 9, T. Lewis 10. In memoriam G. Williams, former churchwarden.

**GRIMSBY, Lincs.**—At St. James' Church on March 5th, 1,240 Plain Bob Major: Muriel Pashley (first quarter) 1, Maureen Bee (first in method) 2, J. Parker 3, J. B. Budd 4, W. Longbottom 5, M. Walker (first in method) 6, F. Kennington 7, A. Pashley (cond.) 8. J. J. Willows tenor cover. For Confirmation service.

**HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX.**—On Feb. 26th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: F. Whitty 1, D. Parrish 2, W. Aley 3, F. Hoad 4, J. Collins 5, R. Walker (first quarter) 6, W. Wheeler 7, L. Whitty (cond.) 8. A farewell compliment to Mr. and Mrs. E. Curson, who have left Harlow for Leiston, Suffolk.

**HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.**—On March 8th, 1,280 Oxford T.B. Major: S. Penfold 1, J. Fowler 2, J. Carrott 3, R. Brown 4, J. Stephenson 5, A. J. Salisbury 6, D. M. Salisbury 7, F. V. Gant (cond.) 8. For Matins on Mothering Sunday.

**LINCOLN.**—At St. Giles' on Feb. 24th, 1,312 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: J. Edwards 1, Mrs. G. R. Parker 2, Miss J. Gurnhill 3, Mrs. G. H. Randles 4, G. H. Randles 5, H. L. Pask 6, J. Walden 7, G. Paul (cond.) 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Frank Metham.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes' on March 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Miss D. M. Lawless 1, Miss E. T. Birmingham 2, Miss G. Sewell 3, Miss R. Rich 4, Miss Y. Edwards 5, T. Pett 6, T. Smith 7, P. Erith 8, R. O. Humphreys 9, R. W. Powell (cond.) 10. For Evensong.

**ORSETT, ESSEX.**—On March 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: S. D. Roddaway 1, Miss V. Mathews 2, Miss J. E. M. Hills 3, T. G. Hull (first of Minor) 4, Mrs. D. G. Mayell 5, D. G. Mayell (cond.) 6. The conductor's 100th quarter peal and 50th on these bells. For Mothering Sunday.

**FERRY BARR, BIRMINGHAM.**—On March 8th, 1,248 Plain Bob Major: R. Tibbets (first quarter) 1, D. J. Purnell 2, A. S. Burbridge 3, W. J. V. Conduet 4, M. G. Ingram 5, R. C. Ingram 6, J. W. Coleman 7, D. R. Ingram (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.**—On March 8th, 1,280 Kent T.B. Major: M. Hallett 1, W. Ward 2, Mrs. D. Belcham 3, F. May 4, E. Blower 5, R. Tomlin 6, D. Belcham 7, A. House (cond.) 8. First in method 2, 3 and 7. For Evensong.

**STAINES, MIDDX.**—At St. Peter's Church on March 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. Pike (first quarter) 1, T. Christie (first 'inside') 2, M. Loveday 3, M. Bartlett 4, R. Wiggins (cond.) 5, S. Kemp 6. For St. David's Day morning service.

**STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.**—On March 4th, 1,280 Spliced Major (Plain, Little and St. Clement's): Miss T. P. Johnson 1, Miss P. A. Lansley 2, Mrs. R. J. Drewitt 3, R. O. Fry 4, E. W. Ford 5, R. J. Drewitt 6, B. Bladon 7, A. R. Peake (cond.) 8. First of Spliced Major 1, 2, 4 and 6. For Evensong. Also on March 8th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Miss T. P. Johnson 1, Miss P. A. Lansley 2, F. E. Jones (first of Surprise) 3, E. W. Ford 4, V. Griffin 5, A. R. Peake (cond.) 6. For Mothering Sunday Children's Service.

**TENTERDEN, KENT.**—On March 4th, 1,344 Yorkshire Surprise Major: Maisie Vantom 1, Violet I. E. Relf 2, Elizabeth Stewart 3, J. V. Richards 4, M. S. Lancelfield (cond.) 5, G. Stewart 6, R. Swift 7, M. W. Marshall 8. For the wedding this day of Nicholas Day and Deslys Goodall.

**TERLING, ESSEX.**—On March 4th, 1,440 Surprise Minor (York, Norwich): 1. R. Pantom 1, P. G. Brown 2, M. J. Cowling 3, J. L. Towler 4, F. B. Lufkin (cond.) 5, P. J. Rothera 6. Half-muffled in memory of Mr. Stanley Bright, churchwarden, interred the previous day.

**WITNEY, OXON.**—On Feb. 6th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: J. F. List 1, P. G. Holden 2, B. W. Hall 3, F. W. Soden 4, P. Pearce 5, P. Beedie 6, D. K. Adkins (cond.) 7, B. J. Coggins 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. S. J. Olliffe.



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NOTICES OF MOTION (Rule 14).—Notices of motion signed by two members of the Council must be received by the secretary by April 7th.

E. A. BARNETT,  
Honorary Secretary.

26, Iron Mill Lane,  
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### RETURN THANKS

Mrs. Love, of 12, Spencer Street, Norwich, wish to thank all ringing friends for their kind messages of sympathy in the loss of her husband, William, on March 2nd. 4337

### IN MEMORIAM

POOLE, Phyllis.—In loving memory of Phyllis, passed away March 20th, 1958. With love and gratitude we remember her.—Peter and Jill. 4332

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

The address of Mr. Henry J. Ford is now 44, West Street, Abbotsbury, near Weymouth, Dorset. 4319

The address of Canon Gilbert Thurlow is now 27, The Close, Norwich, Norfolk, NOR 16P. Telephone: Norwich 28506. 4322

The address of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Weatherly is now Episcopal Church Home, 1428, So. Marengo Avenue, Alhambra, Calif., U.S.A. 4313

### PERSONAL

Will Miss C. Maclain please send her address to the Editor, as her copy of 'The Ringing World' addressed to Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford, has been returned to this office.

'And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall be corrupt by flatteries; but the people that do know their God shall be strong and do exploits.' (Daniel xi, 12.)

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The 1964 (Yorkshire) tour list is now available. Copies for the first week will not be forwarded unless specially requested. Subscriptions are also due, payable to W. A. Lacey, Hon. Sec., 9a, Hollow Road, Anstey, Leicester. 4283

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual report for 1963 now available 5s., post free. Contains Pitman's Spliced Surprise Major from 7 to 30 methods in full, and 34 other compositions; also commemorative articles on 1,000 peals at Bell Foundry and record peal of Bob Major. Other years available at 2s., post free, as follows: 1962 (23 compositions); 1960 (48); 1959 (51); 1958 (50); 1956 (53); 1955 (44); 1954 (22); 1951-53 (24); 1948-49 (-); 1946-47 (-). £1 for complete set (except 1950, 1957, 1961).—B. G. Warwick, 12, Dorothy Avenue, Glen Hills, Leicester. 4331

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.—Practices: Saturday, March 20th, from 7.15 to 8.45 p.m.; Saturday, April 18th, from 6 to 7 p.m. Please come, all welcome. 4334

ST. LAURENCE'S CHURCH, READING.—All peal attempts are booked for 1964.—V. Cherrill. 4314

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.—Final Notice of: (a) Whit Week-end, May 15th-18th, in N. Hampshire; (b) Summer Tour, July 4th-11th, centred on Ludlow and Abergavenny. Accommodation—25s. per night for (a), and 20s. per night, plus 7s. 6d. dinner, for (b), both including breakfast—can still be reserved for those who notify the Hon. Sec. immediately and send deposit of £1. Advance notice: the A.G.M. is on Saturday, May 9th, at St. Olave's, Hart Street.—D. M.L., 16, Weech Road, N.W.6. 4329

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### MEETINGS

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—The next meeting will be held at Houghton Regis on Saturday, March 21st, and not as printed last week. 4322

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Macclesfield Branch.—Quarterly meeting Saturday, March 21st, Gawsworth. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Bring own tea.—H. C. Lanyon. 4247

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Hunts District.—Meeting at Somersham, Saturday, March 21st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 4307

HAWKHURST GUILD.—Meeting, Saturday, March 21st, Burwash, not Sedlescombe.—E. A. Fellows. 4334

### BACK NUMBERS

'The Ringing World' has received a very generous gift of back numbers dating from 1919 to 1959. While some are brown with the passing of years, the majority are clean and serviceable. We propose to offer these to readers who want to complete their files. The charge will be 8d. per copy post free.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Practice on March 21st at Staines, Ringing at St. Mary's 3 to 5 p.m. Own tea arrangements. Ringing at St. Peter's 6 to 8 p.m. 1964 subscriptions now due.—F. J. Blagrove. 4290

MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.—Please note next meeting at Kingsbury, March 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. All visitors welcomed.—J. Cotton. 4283

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Joint meeting of Northern and Southern Divisions. Lindfield (8), Saturday, March 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30, Tea 5, only for those who notify Mrs. E. L. Hairs, Norman Cottage, Groombridge, Tel.: 438. 4275

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—Practice meeting at Slinfold (6) on Saturday, March 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30, Tea at 5.15 for those who notify R. Wake, 28, Keynor Estate, Sidlesham, Chichester, Sussex. 4297

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bath Branch.—Corporate Communion, St. Michael with St. Paul's (Broad Street), Thursday, March 26th, at 7.30 p.m. Please attend.—Alan Lee, Sec. 4315

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—A.G.M. at Minehead, Easter Monday, March 30th. Service 12 noon. Lunch at Dorrien Restaurant, The Parade, at 1.15 p.m. Names for lunch (8s. 3d.) essential to Mr. D. G. Yeo, Estun, Brockway, Nailsea, Bristol, enclosing a stamped, addressed envelope. Meeting at Parish Hall at 2.30 p.m. Bells available: Minehead (10) at 11.15 a.m. and after meeting, 10.15—11.30 a.m. Carhampton, Selworthy (6), Old Cleeve, Dunster (8), 5.30—7.30 p.m. Porlock, Luccombe, Wootton Courtenay (6), 5.30—8 p.m. Selworthy, 6—8 p.m. Timberscombe (8), St. Audries (5), 6—8.30 p.m. Old Cleeve, 6.30—8.30 p.m. Stogumber (6), Wiveliscombe (8).—G. Salmon, Gen. Sec. 4273

EAST DERBYS & WEST NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—Seventy-seventh annual meeting, Wingerworth, Easter Monday, March 30th, at 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30, Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. E. Blythe, 49, Longedge Lane, Wingerworth, Chesterfield, not later than March 24th.—T. H. Radford, Sec. 4320



**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Annual general meeting, Easter Monday, March 30th. Ringing arrangements: Route 1.—Swaffham Prior (6), 10-11.30 a.m.: Burwell (8), 10.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m.: Chippingham (6), 11.30 a.m.-1 p.m.: Isleham (5), 12 noon-1.30 p.m.: Wicken (5), 1-2.30; Soham (10), 2-4.15. Route 2.—March (6), 10-11.30 a.m.: Doddington (6), 10.30 a.m.-12 noon; Chatteris (6), 11 a.m.-12.30 p.m.; Sutton (6), 11.30 a.m.-1 p.m.; Haddenham (6), 12 noon-2 p.m.; Wilburton (6), 1-3; Stretton (6), 2-4. Service 4.15. Soham, Tea 5 p.m. Soham Church Hall. General business meeting after tea. Tickets for tea 3s. each, with stamped, addressed envelope, from Gen. Sec. Ely (8), Littleport (8) and Sutton towers open after tea. Ringing Masters will be in all towers.—H. S. Peacock 8, Roscrea Terrace, St. John's Street, Huntingdon. 4309

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Easter Monday, March 30th, annual general meeting at Tenterden. Service 12 noon. Applications not later than March 24th first post for luncheon tickets (9s. 6d. each, children of resident members under 14 3s. each, cash with order, please), agenda, details of ringing times at 10 towers to Mr. B. W. May, 'Keithston,' Keycol Hill, Bobbing, Sittingbourne, Kent.—P. A. Corby, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4242

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION**—A.G.M. at All Saints, Newport, on Easter Monday, March 30th. Bells 2 p.m. Service 4 p.m., followed by tea and the meeting. Names for tea please by Monday, March 23rd to M. J. Pryor, 43, Downton Road, Rumney, Cardiff. 4253

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION**—Easter Monday, March 30th, A.G.M. at Worcester, Service at All Saints' 11 a.m. (bells 10 a.m.). Meeting in College Hall at 12.15 p.m. Ringing arrangements: St. John's (8) 2.15-3.30, All Saints' (10) 3-4.30, St. Swithun's (6) 3.30-4.45, Stoulton (6) and Stoulton Campanile (6, tenor 107 lbs.) 1.45-3, Pershore Abbey (8) 2.30-3.30, Upton Snodsbury (6) 2.45-4.15, Crowle (8) 3-4.30, Cathedral (12) 6-7.30, All Saints' 7-8.30. Tea at Deansway Restaurant at 5 p.m. for all who notify me before March 28th.—D. Beacham, Goodiers Lane, Twynning, Tewkesbury, Glos., Gen. Sec. 4285

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Annual general meeting, Derby, Saturday, April 4th. Bells available: St. Alkmund's (8), 2-3.15 p.m.; Cathedral (10), 3.15-4.15; St. Peter's (8), 4-4.30 and after meeting. Service, St. Peter's Church, 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea to Mr. A. Mould, 22, Silver Lane, Elvaston, Derby, by Tuesday, March 31st.—B. P. Morris, Sec. 4335

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION**—N.W. District—A meeting will be held at Elmdon (6) on Saturday, April 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to G. Blake, Hamlet House, Roydon Hamlet, Harlow, Essex. 4328

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Annual general meeting at Bishop's Stortford on Saturday, April 4th. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and meeting (Water Lane Institute) 5.15. Notice of motion—to amend Rule 3 to enable members of the South Mymms band to be elected as full members of the Association. Names for tea essential to D. H. Kingston, 33, Proctors Way, Bishop's Stortford (Tel.: 2965), by April 1st. Ringing arrangements: Route 1: Harlow Common (8), 11 a.m.-12.30 p.m.; Hatfield Heath (6), 1.30-3; Hatfield Broad Oak (8), 2-3.30; Thorley (6), 2.30-4 p.m. Route 2: Bengco (8), 10-11.30 a.m.; Ware (8), 11 a.m.-12.30 p.m.; Widford (6), 1.30-3.30; Little Hadham (5), 2-4 p.m. Route 3: Cottered (5), 10-11.30 a.m.; Great Horstead (6), 11 a.m.-12.30 p.m.; Bgaughing (8), 1.30-3; Standon (6), 2-3.30; Bishop's Stortford (10) 3-4.15 p.m. Thorley and Bishop's Stortford available after the meeting. 4327

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Tonbridge District—A quarterly meeting will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, April 4th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, please, by Wednesday, April 1st, to Mr. E. C. Leigh, 'Holmesdale,' Station Road, Edenbridge.—W. H. Dobbie, Hon. Sec. 4321

**LADIES' GUILD**—Sussex District—Meeting changed to Alfriston, April 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Please bring own tea. Further ringing till 8 p.m.—Miss R. Earl, Hon. Sec. 4326

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**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**—Annual general meeting in Leicester, April 4th. Ringing arrangements: Humberstone (6), 1.30-3 p.m.; All Saints' (8), 1.30-3; Cathedral (12), 3-4.10; St. John's (10), 2-3.30 p.m. (St. Margaret's not available.) Service in Cathedral 4.15. Tea 5 p.m., followed by meeting in Alderman Newton's Boys' Dining Centre (21, St. Martin's—adjacent to Cathedral). Names for tea (limited to 140) must be sent to Mrs. P. J. Staniforth, 150, Narborough Road South, Leicester (Tel.: Leicester 823140), by April 1st. No name no tea.—B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4330

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**—Southern Branch.—A striking competition for towers in the Branch will be held at St. Andrew's Church, Billingborough, Saturday, April 4th, at 2.30 p.m. Tea 5.30, followed by open ringing until 9 p.m. All welcome at tea, but names essential by Wednesday previous to Mr. L. P. Wilson, 40, Grosvenor Road, Billingborough, Sleaford, Lincs. 4317

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Rutland Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Grettton, Saturday, April 4th. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to W. C. A. Clark, Middle Street, Wing.

**RINGERS**, traction engine enthusiasts and flower lovers invited by Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Dawson to Bicker, near Boston, on Saturday, April 4th. Ringing Bicker 3 to 5 p.m. and 6.30 to 9 p.m. Everyone welcome. Names for tea to Mrs. W. B. Dawson by March 28th. Social evening, Village Hall, 6.30 p.m. For tickets 6s. 6d. (including refreshments), phone Donington 273, Swineshead 266. Proceeds for Bicker Church Funds. 4345

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION**—Annual meeting, Stroud, April 25th, 2.15 p.m. Tea, 4s. to be paid in advance to Mr. R. Nicholas, 4, Blue Boys Park, Minchinhampton, Stroud, Glos. at 4.30 p.m. Association service, address by the Lord Bishop of Gloucester, at Stroud, 6 p.m. Towers open: Standish, Bisley, Stroud, Stonehouse, Woodchester, Painswick and Eastington. Nominations for Master and notice of motions for agenda before March 28th. Meeting at Church Rooms, tea at Premier Hall, Stroud.—Charles Rouse, Hon. Sec., 42, Brookfield Road, Churchdown, Glos. 4324

## QUARTER PEALS

**CLAPHAM PARK, LONDON**—On March 8th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. Bishop 1, A. Mann 2, M. Fort 3, A. Hartley 4, B. Bull 5, P. Brand (first of Stedman) 6, D. Brooked (cond.) 7, R. Dennis (first on eight) 8. A.M.D.G.

**COMPTON BISHOP, SOMERSET**—On March 8th, 1,260 Union Doubles: A. Hooper 1, H. Hooper (cond.) 2, A. J. Peters 3, H. Spencer 4, J. Loxton 5, J. Phillips 6. For Mothering Sunday.

**DISS, NORFOLK**—On March 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Kathleen Tebble 1, Betty Syrett 2, Dora Reeve 3, A. G. Harrison 4, C. Catchpole 5, E. G. H. Mavnard 6, H. B. Fuller (cond.) 7, H. Hines 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam William Love, a vice-president of the Norwich Diocesan Association.

**EXETER, DEVON**—At the Church of St. Michael, Heavitree, on Feb. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss J. Smith 1, N. Mallett (cond.) 2, Miss D. Lissenden 3, C. Yates, jnr. 4, M. Lock 5, A. Truman 6, F. Wreford 7, P. Colton 8. For Evensong and a compliment to the Vicar upon his installation to the prebendal stall of Exeter Cathedral.

**HALLOW, WORCS**—On March 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: L. Parry 1, J. Ranford 2, M. Smele 3, F. Pugh 4, J. Gwilliam (cond.) 5, J. Cale 6. Also by the same band at Martley on March 3rd. Both rung in memoriam Mrs. Nellie Davis, wife of Mr. F. Davis.

**HESTON, MIDDXX**—On March 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Jill Butcher 1, P. Ruch (cond.) 2, Carole Andrews 3, Felicity Pocock 4, D. Boniface 5, J. Sansom 6, P. Golding 7, A. Butcher 8. A tribute to the late Mr. Ayshford, many years a churchwarden.

**HEVER, KENT**—On Jan. 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. H. French 1, E. C. Leigh 2, B. E. Jeffrey (cond.) 3, D. J. M. Cox 4, J. E. Warner 5, G. S. E. Winter 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Ernest Harrington.

## LATE NOTICES

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Northern District.—Meeting, Easter Monday, Middleham (8). Bells from 2.30 p.m. Tea 5. Names to me by Thursday, March 26th. Edward Hudson, Hon. Sec., Singleton Cottage, Sharow, Ripon. 4343

**LADIES' GUILD**—Lincolnshire District.—The annual meeting will be held at Stow, on Saturday, April 4th. Bells available at 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15, followed by tea. Names for tea by Tuesday, March 31st, to Miss S. Turner, 9, Old School Lane, Stow, Lincoln.—A. Richardson, Hon. Sec. 4338

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**—Annual meeting, April 4th at Southwell. Bells (12) from 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5 for those notifying Mr. F. W. Midwinter, 19, Clarke Avenue, Newark, by April 1st. Business meeting follows tea.—W. L. Exton, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4344

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**CHURCH GRESLEY, DERBYS.**—On Jan. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Perry 1, D. P. Jones (cond.) 2, D. Eames 3, E. Deakin 4, J. W. Cotton 5.

**LONG SUTTON, SOMERSET.**—On Feb. 29th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): A. J. Lewis 1, Rev. C. J. B. Marshall 2, K. Pinney 3, E. T. P. Field (cond.) 4, H. E. G. Jeanes 5, A. Hill 6.

**LYDD, KENT.**—On Feb. 19th, 1,440 Cuneastre Surprise Minor: Maisie Vantom 1, Violet I. E. Relf 2, Elizabeth Stewart 3, G. Stewart 4, R. Swift 5, M. W. Marshall (cond.) 6. First in method by all.

**LYMPSTONE, DEVON.**—On Jan. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Carole Everitt (first quarter) 1, Cynthia Edbrooke (first 'inside') 2, D. A. Wills (cond.) 3, Valerie Mellish 4, R. T. Perry 5, E. Bowden 6. To congratulate Mr. Perry on his engagement to Miss Joyce Sampson. Also on Feb. 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Cynthia Edbrooke 1, F. Williams 2, G. E. Retter 3, Patricia Peatfield (first 'inside') 4, D. A. Wills (cond.) 5, A. R. Williams.

**PERRY BARR, BIRMINGHAM.**—On Feb. 16th, 1,260 Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. Conduct 1, C. Nokes 2, M. Ingram 3, C. Webb 4, D. Purnell 5, A. Ainsworth (cond.) 6. A 21st birthday compliment to Miss P. Holden.

**SUTTON-ON-HULL, YORKS.**—On March 1st, 1,272 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Janet I. Porter (cond.) 1, Patricia A. Wilson 2, T. Goodwin 3, H. Rodmell 4, C. R. Robinson 5, H. F. Gibson 6. A farewell to H. F. Gibson who is leaving the district.

**SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.**—On Feb. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Celia Chandler 1, R. Beresford 2, Susan Moxon 3, D. Williamson 4, D. Parsons 5, Katharine Burchnell 6, Grace Burchnell (cond.) 7, H. Hawcroft 8. First of Triples 1, 3 and 4. For Evensong.

**TITCHFIELD, HANTS.**—On Feb. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Moira Banham (first quarter) 1, R. A. Stone 2, Mary White 3, D. J. White 4, C. E. Bassett (cond.) 5, K. G. Waller (50th quarter) 6. 30th together 2, 5 and 6. Birthday compliment to R. A. Stone.

**WALTON-ON-THAMES, SURREY.**—On Feb. 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Jill Palmer 1, B. White 2, C. Webb 3, C. Chinnery 4, H. Colcombe 5, D. Leach 6, J. King (cond.) 7, D. Miseldine (first quarter) 8. For Confirmation service.

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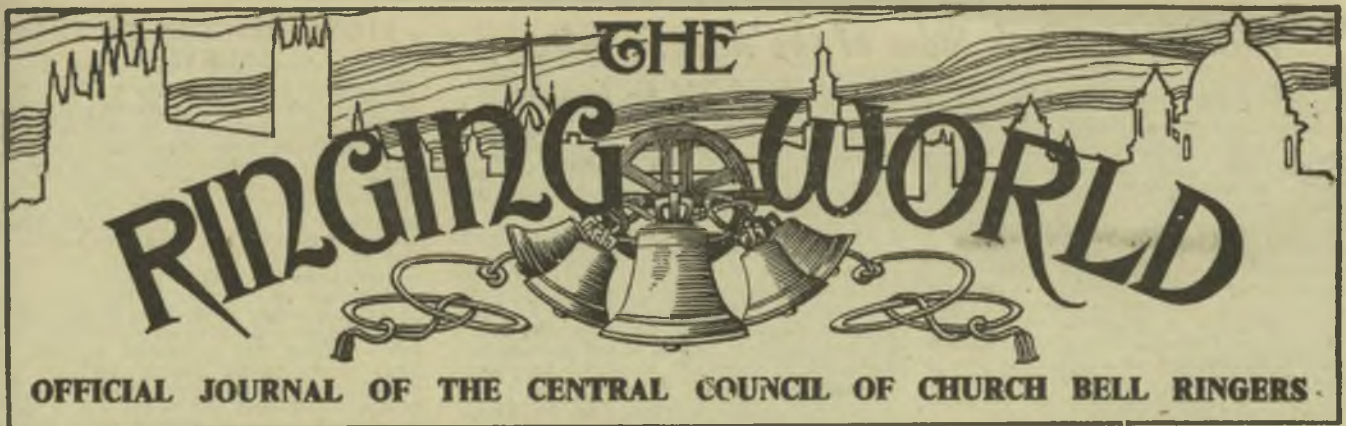
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## EASTER AND POWER

By Canon C. Carew Cox

WHAT would you wish to be the outcome of your Easter greeting, of your Easter worship? What would you wish to convey by keeping the Easter Festival? What would you wish the tongues of the bells you handle to express? One ventures to say it should be nothing less than a persistent testimony to a spiritual power compared with which the world can offer nothing so uplifting, so hopeful and enduring.

It is not conceivable that any mere human being could ever with absolute confidence claim the mastery over all things created and over all peoples. Because sooner or later death will remove him from his pedestal and all his imagined authority will cease to operate. All history witnesses to the fact that those who seek for world power are but the progenitors of conflict. For world power must always be challengeable and those who would win it are never utterly sure of their ground. There will ever be someone who wants the same thing. 'From whence come wars and fightings among you?' wrote St. James. 'Come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members?'

But there was One who said: 'All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.' 'Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.' And that is the origin of Easter. The vindication of the power and authority of Jesus Christ, the Son of Man and Son of God, not only over all mankind, but also over Death and Hell. An authority which now is timeless. Defied and scorned as it has been, there is and has been no message more welcome to people compassed by mortality than the Easter assurance of this power which shall bring them through the gate of death and turn their sorrows into joy. And since the first Easter Day multitudes have lived and died in the knowledge and consolation of that power: while multitudes have yet to be convinced of it and their lives enlightened by it.

Committed to the Christian Church ought it not to form the background and impulse of every Christian ringer? Our church bells are just noisy playthings if we have anything less at heart. But with the Easter fact and Truth behind this particular service of ours they can become the heralds of unimaginable future peace. In their highest use they summon men to the worship of Him Who, by virtue of His own sinless life on earth and through His suffering and death on the Cross for the sake of Righteousness, could claim to be the 'Resurrection and the Life,' and to lead men out of the darkness of the tomb into the ineffable brightness of the Garden of Hope.

There is so much to do—more than ever in the world as we know it today, full of threatenings and fears and mistrust and violence. It cries out for emancipation from all that is devilish, corrupting and deadening. And without the fact of Easter that must be an unanswerable cry. Each Easter Day, then, should bring to Christian hearts and minds a deeper sense of this power of renewal they possess.

If there is something wanting in our belfries—lack of interest, or enthusiasm, lack of friendliness, any carelessness of performance, or whatever else—it is for us to pray for and strive to cultivate the freshness and strong promise symbolised by the Resurrection of Jesus Christ from the Dead. The gate He opened by His own self-sacrifice and labour and love is open to all of us and to all men. There is nothing now He cannot renew, nothing that cannot be changed into the likeness of the heavenly.

Glory, then, in this power of His as the power that liberates, 'delivers from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.' So we who are the children of God have indeed the power to liberate from our inmost being, say, the kindly, generous thought; the helpful hand; the gentle word; the smile of encouragement; the will to duty, patience and perseverance; and every other virtue which is the fruit of the Spirit—just as exquisite melody is liberated from a stringed instrument by the soul of one who has the skilled command over his fingers. We are called in the power of the Resurrection to become 'new creatures in Christ,' people who rejoice in the spiritual skill at their command—ringers certainly. In our belfries and in all our associations with other ringers the opportunities are endless for proving our possession of this power, this Soul which can overcome all that tends to corrupt because it is illuminated with the 'Light that never was on sea or land,' which lives to justify the Immortal and to temper the natural with the supernatural.

Thus our Easter bells shall express all that wells up from the ringers' hearts, so nobly worded by Tennyson:—

Ring out false pride in place and blood,  
The civic slander and the spite;  
Ring in the love of truth and right,  
Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease;  
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;  
Ring out the thousand wars of old,  
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the valiant man and free,  
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;  
Ring out the darkness of the land,  
Ring in the Christ that is to be.



## Washington—Both Sides of the Atlantic write

### A View from Canada

Dear Sir,—I refer to a letter written by a Mrs. Collings of Solihull, in your February 21st issue that has just arrived, and which concerns problems of ringing in North America.

On the face of it, I must say that I am sympathetic to Mrs. Collings' point of view. £1,000 would be far better spent if an expert were obtained on loan for say six months (for that is the time to be purchased with such an amount), to teach the new ringers at Washington Cathedral, D.C., than the ten ringers to be imported on a 'one shot deal'! I sincerely hope that a competent but simple series of lectures can in any case be given by one of the band while they are there.

On the other hand, the key to any successful venture in North America is the magic word 'publicity.' This in the purely local context within the city of Washington, D.C., will most probably bring in a response from the typically generous American citizen of that city to where are not only the costs of the ten ringers covered, but there is ample surplus to then think about a temporary instructor. I admire Mr. Dirksen and his committee for taking this sensible gamble. Having gone through the whole of this business seven years ago in Vancouver, Canada (without the good fortune, either of a progressive Cathedral or a new ring of bells), I can assure you that one has to do anything to obtain the publicity—and after that one can settle down to do what one really wants!

However, I must profoundly disagree with the Editor's footnote to the letter, which has a typically European misconception of life in a continent as distinct from a country! I think Mr. Dirksen would agree with me that, unlike a small country, there is no real national focus on the capital city, except perhaps in times of national emergency. The bells in Washington's Cathedral will almost assuredly never be heard throughout America. The problem here is of the size of the U.S.A. (and Canada): one must not forget that Washington, D.C., is 3,000 miles from San Francisco, and there is far more affinity between say British Columbia in Canada and California in U.S.A. in practical terms than there ever is between either of us and our Eastern seaboard areas—for you see, the Rocky Mountains and vast prairies (even deserts in the south) separate us geographically—and this always caused an emotional separation too. In actual fact therefore, it will be fortunate indeed if Mr. Dirksen and his committee can manage coverage beyond their own city (which suffers a further disadvantage perhaps by not being part of any larger State), for all cities in North America have to be inward looking, just because huge distances usually separate them. One can only wish them all possible success in their efforts and all of us I am sure will do what we can to assist where possible.

It must be confessed that it is a tragedy of our age, where commercial interests allied to advertising have grasped the mass media here to where 100,000,000 persons were reputed to have watched 'The Beatles' on three consecutive Sunday evening T.V. shows, while a programme on a more appropriate Sunday theme scarcely can squeeze itself out of the city that generated it. I must confess, however, that even nationally owned T.V., such as we have in the C.B.C. in Canada, scarcely does better, for after all they inflicted 'The Beatles' on 18,000,000 Canadians at exactly the same times!—Yours very truly,

A. J. M. COLLINS.

Vancouver, British Columbia.

### Lady should be included

Dear Sir,—Whilst not casting any reflections on those ringers nominated to go to Washington, U.S.A., I do feel that at least one lady member of our Exercise should have been included.

This, I feel, would do much to promote interest in ringing in the U.S.A. where church activities are much family affairs with the ladies taking the initiative. Probably the opening ceremony will be televised and what better nationwide advertisement could we have than to see both men and women of our Exercise participating. Is it too late to amend the present arrangements?—Yours faithfully,

M. PETERS.

Southampton.

### Stand down for Wife

Dear Sir.—The Dean of Washington paid particular emphasis on the fact that he desired a representative band of ringers to open the Cathedral bells, but despite his request the selectors have, in my opinion, failed miserably in their duty in putting forward the names as published.

One important omission springs readily to mind, i.e. the exclusion of any female ringers, and in this connection Miss Joan Beresford and Mrs. Jill Stanforth surely warranted inclusion. I would go further and suggest that Mr. Stanforth should stand down in favour of his wife.

Whilst I am fully aware that any list presented would be open to criticism, I feel a more representative band would have resulted if Mr. E. A. Barnett had been approached for his advice and guidance; indeed it was discourteous that this was not done at the outset.—Yours faithfully,

HERBERT G. ANDREWS.

Worcester Park, Surrey.

### Coaching at length preferable

Dear Sir.—I have to agree with both you and Mrs. E. M. Collings about the 'American visit.' It is only fair to say that neither her letter nor the reply contains the full story.

The Washington learners do need coaching at length. Crash courses are not enough, especially if there is no going tower within 500 miles.

The Washingtonians did have a chance last October 20th both to see good handling and to hear good striking, at least when the Groton band was allowed to ring familiar touches of Stedman Triples. I will have to let our English guests vouch for this assertion.

As for an 'introduction on a big scale to change ringing in the United States,' the Groton bells were 'properly rung, broadcast and recorded throughout America' on a nation-wide hook-up last July 4th. True, we were allowed only a few minutes of plain hunting because the LP stereophonic recording had also to contain many other American bells, but who knew whether we were ringing Original Caters, as we jokingly call it, a peal of Spliced Surprise or rapid-fire stonies?

I am elated that the English ringers are coming to the United States. I only hope they will be able to visit our tower and ring a peal of Stedman Caters.—Yours sincerely,

RUSSELL S. YOUNG.

Groton School, Groton, Mass.

## STONE RINGER'S 50 YEARS' SERVICE

A dinner was held at the Unicorn, Stone, on March 7th, to honour the 50 years' service of Mr. Willis Buckley to St. Michael's Parish Church, Stone. The dinner was attended by local ringers and their wives and friends, and guests included the Rev. C. A. Harris (rector), Rev. W. Goldstream (curate), Mr. R. Davies (churchwarden) and Mr. C. Harper (verger) and their wives. There were also present Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Key (Gnosall) and Mr. R. Hawkesworth (Brewood).

Following an excellent turkey dinner, Mr. H. Hodson, leader of the local band, presented Mr. Buckley with a wristlet watch from his fellow ringers. He mentioned his long and loyal service to the church, not only as a ringer but as a sidesman and former member of the P.C.C. and said Willis was a shining example of a service bell-ringer by his punctual and regular attendance and readiness to help learners. A bouquet of daffodils was handed to Mrs. Buckley by Stone's first lady ringer, Mrs. Glenda Rowley.

In thanking his fellow ringers for their gift, Mr. Buckley recalled the old days in a cold, damp and badly lit ringing chamber. He hoped he would enjoy many more years as a ringer in his retirement. Willis was 65 on February 27th and recently concluded 50 years' of service with a local boot and shoe company. The 40th anniversary of his wedding also takes place this year.

The Rector expressed the thanks of St. Michael's and conveyed a message of congratulation from Mr. E. S. Bowers of Disley, Cheshire, former churchwarden. The rest of the evening was spent in community singing with Mrs. Key at the piano and 'Barney' proving to be as fine a singer as he is a ringer.

To honour the occasion a peal of Stedman Triples, conducted by Mr. B. G. Key, was rung prior to the dinner.

## FENLAND RINGING AUTHOR

Those who have enjoyed reading Trevor A. Bevis' articles on churches, the majority in East Anglia, will find entertainment in 'A Fair Fenny Island.' This is a selection of articles concerning the Fenlands, which he has contributed to 'The Cambridgeshire Times' and associate newspapers.

Born in Fenland, Trevor writes: 'With a fair amount of travelling at home and abroad, I have yet to see a sunset to better that of the Fenlands. The air is fresh and stimulating. On rare occasions it is possible to walk across a field and not see one's feet which are hidden in mist—yet the sunshine is all around. Such is the magic of the Fens. In my home town (March) I can stand on a certain road and see Ely Cathedral 15 miles away—like a ship in full sail through a golden sea of corn!'

'A Fair Fenny Island' is sold for 2/6. Mr. Bevis lives at 150, Burrowmoor Road, March, Cambs.

## GRESHAM'S SCHOOL HAS RINGING SOCIETY

During this term, a Society of Ringers has started at Gresham's School, Holt, Norfolk. As there is only one usable ring of bells in the Holt Deanery, handbell ringing has been practised regularly and six boys can now ring Bob Doubles. All are learning to handle a bell at Holt Parish Church where the two bells are rung for ringing and go quite well. Visits have been paid to Wiveton where, with the help of Mr. W. West, the tower captain, and local ringers, strides are being made towards ringing rounds and call changes. The Society has rung its first quarter on handbells at the school.

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## LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY SOCIETY DINE

About 60 members and friends assembled in the Philharmonic Hotel, Liverpool, on the occasion of the Liverpool University Society's annual dinner, on February 29th.

In the morning several peal attempts had been arranged, two of those by the visitors being successful. The Society's Dinner Day peal of Plain Bob Major, attempted at Bromborough, failed even to get off its feet, and thus avoided the traditional embarrassment of being miscalled. However, a quarter peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major was rung instead. Unfortunately a quarter peal attempt at St. Hilary's, Wallasey, was unsuccessful. There was general ringing in the afternoon at Garston, Childwall, West Derby, Tue Brook and St. Francis Xavier's.

At dinner, the Master, Mr. C. K. Cooper, welcomed the visitors to this, the third such occasion. Proposing the toast of 'The Church,' Mr. Cooper urged the Society to direct its attention towards Sunday Service ringing rather than peals. In reply, Canon G. C. C. Pepys, Rector of Liverpool, welcomed the presence of the members of the Society at Our Lady and St. Nicholas, and thanked them for their valuable assistance.

Mr. John H. Fielden then proposed 'The Visitors.' He mentioned representatives from the Universities of Cambridge, Oxford, London, Bristol, Nottingham, Manchester and Hull, apart from a good number of local Liverpool ringers and those from the Wirral. A large contingent from the Birmingham area again helped to produce a successful evening.

Mr. J. Brown, a ringer at Our Lady and St. Nicholas, replied on behalf of the visitors. He said what a grand lot of boys and girls the Society had and hoped that in general the friendship between University Societies and the local churches and ringers would be of benefit to both; at present and in the future.

### FUTURE LEADERS

In proposing the toast of 'The Society,' Mr. A. S. Hudson, Master of the Cambridge University Guild, emphasised the role of University ringers as leaders of the Exercise and expressed the hope that it would be past members of such societies who, when they graduated, would go out and reduce the number of silent towers.

Mr. M. A. Phillips, in his reply, reported that the Society had flourished during the past year and standards had improved, resulting in the ringing of two peals. The social side of activities had also improved, to the benefit of all. Cupid had struck. He congratulated Mr. Michael Pilgrim and Miss P. Ann Freeman on their engagement; and also Mr. and Mrs. F. Anderton, both past members of the Society, on their marriage. The entire company added their good wishes.

Those still in Liverpool on Sunday morning turned up in force to early morning ringing at Our Lady and St. Nicholas' and afterwards rang for Matins at Everton. The ringing was brought to a climax in the afternoon as, by kind permission of the Dean and Chapter and the Ringing Master, Mr. J. Ridyard, we were allowed to join the service band for ringing at the Cathedral. R. J. S.

## ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX

The meeting held at Kirkheaton Parish Church on March 7th was very well attended. We were pleased to have with us Mr. E. Hudson, of Ripon, and Mr. A. Basforth, Kirby Wiske, also the youngsters of nine, eleven and twelve years.

After a fitting form of Evensong, conducted by the Rev. D. Wild, an excellent tea was provided by Mr. R. Senior and the local ringers in the schoolroom. At the close of a short business meeting, ringing was resumed. Kent, Oxford, London and Cambridge being among many methods rung. W. M.

## BAND YORKSHIRE IS TALKING ABOUT



**YOUTH TEAM WINS TROPHY.**—First holders of the Albert Sellers Memorial Cup of the Beverley and District Ringing Society are the youthful team of All Hallows' Church, Wakington. Miss Joan Gray, the captain, is seen here with her team and the cup after it had been presented by the Bishop of Hull at the Society's annual meeting at Beverley on February 8th.

[Photo by courtesy 'Hull Daily Mail']

## JUBILEE OF THE SHEFFIELD DIOCESE

This will be celebrated on Friday, May 1st. The Bishop of Sheffield sent the following letter to Mr. J. Seager, secretary of the Sheffield and District Society:—

'Dear Mr. Seager,—The suggestion has been made to me by Canon King, of Wentworth, that the ringers in the diocese might be ready to help the observance of the diocesan jubilee on May 1st by arranging on that day for a ring on the bells in all the churches in the diocese that have a ring. I think this is a very happy suggestion and, needless to say, I warmly support it. I hope very much that it may be possible to put it into effect and that you will be able to use your influence as secretary of the Sheffield and District Society to encourage your fellow ringers to undertake such a pleasurable duty on an occasion like this. We should be much in their debt if they could see their way to giving general support to the suggestion.'

## SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT

Over 50 people attended the annual meeting of the Sheffield and District Society, held for the first time at Rotherham. Three towers were open, these being Whiston, Eastwood and Rotherham. A fair standard of ringing was maintained at all towers, a good course of London being rung at Whiston. At Rotherham the highlights included a half-course of Cambridge Royal, a very good course of Yorkshire Major, and an excellent touch of five spliced Surprise Major.

During the meeting the officers of the Society were elected for the coming year. These included: President and Ringing Master, Mr. J. J. L. Gilbert; President-elect, Mr. J. N. D. Chaddock; Secretary, Mr. J. Seager; Peal Secretary, Mr. N. Chaddock. Mr. A. King, of Wentworth, in his vote of thanks to the local incumbents and ringers, commented on the high standard of furnishings in the ringing chamber at Rotherham. J. C.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

The six bells of St. Mary's Church, Sprotborough, near Doncaster, had been silent since soon after the war until November 9th last, when a thanksgiving service for the restoration of the tower was held and the ring of bells, augmented to eight, was hallowed by Canon A. Jowett, Vicar of Doncaster and President of the Doncaster and District Society, in the presence of Ven. C. O. Ellison, President of the Yorkshire Association, and other notable personalities.

The February meeting of the Southern District was not only the first meeting since this memorable occasion, it was the first meeting of the Yorkshire Association ever to be held at this tower. The attendance was by far the biggest at a Southern District meeting for many years, if not an all-time record, as 68 people sat down to tea in the Church Hall and many more attended just for the afternoon or evening.

A short service in the church was conducted by the Rector, Rev. John Lyth, who in a delightful address explained that the reason for the delay in getting the bells ringing again was due to the necessity for the tower repairs and the building of their fine new Church Hall to have first priority. He also gave some interesting information on architectural details in the church and their historical connections.

At the business meeting, the chair was taken by Vice-President Mr. Norman Chaddock. The following were elected to membership of the Association: David Hunton (Wentworth), Margaret Bun'ing (Dudley), Robert Bristow, Alan Mullinger and John Whitham (Bentley), Michael Metcalfe (Thorne) and John Smalley (Rawmarsh). The Secretary was asked to arrange the annual meeting in the Penistone area on May 16th. A collection for the bell repair fund realised £1 14s.

Mr. A. King announced that a celebration service was taking place in Sheffield Cathedral on Friday, May 1st, for the golden jubilee of the Diocese. J. J. L. G.

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# Letters to the Editor

## Cutting the Tenor

Dear Sir,—Whilst not wishing to enter into the perennial discussion about Yorkshire tail ends (about which I know very little anyway) versus rope ends, I feel the letter from Mr. Harry Mann (page 156) deserves a little comment. Whilst not professing to be a heavy bell ringer myself, I cannot see how any bell of more than about half-a-ton can be brought in at backstroke correctly without taking up the tail end a certain amount, especially when ringing on six. However slowly one is ringing, a bell's swing has to be cut down to dodge 'under' at backstroke, and by leaving one's hands in the same position on the tail end the effective pull at backstroke is considerably reduced with obvious results. The only explanation I can see to Mr. Mann's statement is that it applies to a very big tenor-ringer, or a very small tenor!

—Yours faithfully,

ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

Cove, Hants.

## Tenor Ringing

Dear Sir,—Mr. Harry Mann's letter, published in a recent 'Ringing World' (page 156), is an expression of an erroneous view held by a ringer whose ideas are those of the last century, not the present.

For Mr. Mann to claim that he has been tenor ringing for 40 years without having recourse to moving his hands along the rope proves either that the tenor he rings weighs about two hundredweights or that he would not know good striking if it came up and bit him.

To say that the need to move one's hands up the rope is caused by the bells being rung too fast is utterly ridiculous. The maximum speed at which bells can be well rung is limited only by the ability of the band to maintain good striking, and if moving one's hands up the rope contributes to good striking with the bells ringing at a certain pace, then this is quite obviously the right thing to do.

—Yours sincerely,

DAVID C. BROOKES.

Putney.

## In Defence of 'Grabbing'

Dear Sir,—Owing to the pressure of other commitments during the past year I managed to grab less than 100 towers. However, I do not agree with R. J. Brown (R.W., March 13th) that tower grabbing is futile and of no benefit and I have analysed the 112 towers that I grabbed in 1962. Forty-eight were grabbed on outings, 30 at meetings, 25 on local practice nights, five at Sunday service ringing time and four whilst attempting a peal or quarter peal.

To the tower grabber, tower grabbing is a competitive and enjoyable pastime and an expression of the 'collector's instinct' which is in us all. Outings are of positive benefit to the Exercise for they enable ringers from different areas to meet local ringers to the profit of all. The success of meetings is gauged by the attendance as well as the standard of ringing (but I consider that a meeting has failed in some way if there are not a few beginners wanting to ring some rounds). Tower grabbers dropping in casually to a local practice often make it possible to ring on all the bells instead of say the back six, and may also enable a beginner to have his first attempt at Bob Minor 'inside.' If the tower grabber grabs a tower in an attempt for a peal or quarter he is naturally pleased and I see no reason why anyone should begrudge him this harmless pleasure.

I hope Mr. Brown will take two or three of his learners who can just handle a bell for a drive round as many towers as he can. It will teach them a lot and I am sure they will be made welcome in most towers.—Yours faithfully,

J. V. CLARK.

Workshop, Notts

## Tail Ends and Leading

Dear Sir,—I welcome Miss Saville's reply to my letter on page 122 of the 'Ringing World' since it was not my wish to imply there was any intention of getting by with second-best ringing, the phrase 'get by' being intended to mean 'get by with Yorkshire tail ends.'

As in other districts there are teams in the Barnsley District which turn out meticulous six bell ringing, whether it be with Yorkshire ends or those of the normal type. It is a fact that less physical effort is needed to ring a heavy tenor in closed lead ringing than open lead ringing for the following reasons:—

If a few consecutive rows of say Treble Bob Minor be studied and the time intervals between one bell striking and this same bell's next blow be counted, it will be observed that there are the following intervals. (The open lead itself being counted as one extra time interval, equivalent to that between two consecutive bells.)

When hunting down—5 intervals.

When making a place—6 intervals.

When hunting up—7 intervals.

This is the same at both handstroke and backstroke with closed lead ringing, but with open lead ringing become 6, 7 and 8 intervals respectively at the handstroke.

When dodging or snapping, a 5 interval may follow an 8 interval, a variation of 3/8 in open lead ringing compared with 2/7 in closed lead ringing, in the time between two consecutive blows; the former being 5/56 or almost 10% more. Given a certain number of changes per minute, this involves the tenor ringer in a greater degree of holding up and cutting down in open lead ringing than closed lead ringing. I am not inferring by this that one type of lead (on six bells) is any better than the other but leave this to the taste of the individual.

Whilst Miss Saville's letter is, I think, fair comment, Mr. Harry Mann has evidently rushed into print without having properly read my letter since I did not state that a heavy bell cannot be rung with Yorkshire tail end. There are many tenor ringers who would put the bell in its place with any tail end of reasonable length. This does not mean that they would not prefer the tail end of their choice.

May I repeat what I said at the end of my last letter.

'To anyone thinking of changing over to Yorkshire tail ends, except for light bells and a small number—don't.'

I would include rings of six with tenor 13 cwt. or less as light rings.—Yours sincerely,

NORMAN CHADDOCK.

Rotherham.

Dear Sir,—As a postscript to the Yorkshire tail end dispute, here are some final thoughts.

The Barnsley area ringers have turned this discussion into a 'Barnsley versus the Rest' dispute, thus clouding the real issue. All ringers should ask themselves, dispassionately, this question:—

Which form of tail end will provide for the greatest number and diversity of ringers, the greatest ease and convenience in handling and adjustment, and provide the best economic investment?

Even the admirably analytical mind of the Professor (there is a psychiatric term for this personality) cannot deny the inevitable answer.

—Yours faithfully

RICHARD E. PRICE.

Thrybergh.

## Service Ringing Records

Dear Sir,—We at Claverley have only failed to ring for one Sunday service since July, 1945. Thus for Matins and Evensong over these 18½ years and allowing for a few occasions when services have been cancelled, we have rung for just over 2,000 services. This figure does not include ringing for early services at Easter and Christmas or mid-week Harvest Festival services.—Yours very truly,

F. C. A. BENNETT

Claverley, Salop. (Tower Secretary).

## OBITUARY

### MR. WILLIAM LOVE

Within a month the Norwich Diocesan Association have suffered grievous losses in the deaths of two of their most active and dedicated members. Following on the death of Mr. Walter Medler, we now mourn the loss of Mr. William Love who died at his home in Norwich on March 2nd, after some months of suffering which he bore with fortitude and resignation.

The funeral service was on March 5th at St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, and was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. Frank S. Jarvis, who was assisted by Canon Gilbert Thurlow, President of the Central Council. The cortege arrived and departed to the sound of half-muffled touches on the bells. There were many ringers in the large congregation, which also included two directors and a number of employees of Mann, Egerton and Co. Ltd., where Mr. Love was wages supervisor. In an appropriate address the Rev. Jarvis referred to Mr. Love's sterling qualities. Cremation followed at St. Faith's.

Muffled peals have been rung at St. George Colegate, and St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, and touches at Diss and elsewhere in the diocese to a well-loved friend.

Mr. Love was taught to ring at North Elmham and joined the Association in 1922 while still a schoolboy. Next year at the age of 14 he rang his first peal, the treble to Grandsire Triples on his own bells. He was always a safe ringer, appreciative of good striking and a regular service ringer, for he was devoted to the Church. In all he had taken part in 104 peals, one of which was on handbells.

After the war Mr. Love settled in Norwich and joined the Mancroft company, which he served as secretary for some years. This he did so capably that he was the obvious choice for General Secretary and Treasurer of the Association when in 1955, on his appointment as Vicar of Yarmouth, Canon Thurlow relinquished the office. For seven years Mr. Love carried out his duties in an exemplary manner, during which period he travelled many hundreds of miles, for he rarely missed a meeting. He endeared himself to us all by his quiet, unassuming manner, his capacity for taking pains, his forthrightness and for his deep sense of responsibility.

We offer our heartfelt sympathy to his wife, who has been a familiar figure at our meetings and whose courage we have much admired.

N. G.

### MR. ALBERT COUSINS

We regret to announce the death, on March 3rd, of Mr. Albert Cousins, of 54, Devonshire Road, Cambridge, aged 84 years.

Mr. Cousins went to Cambridge in the 1900's from Brighton, where he was a chorister and server at St. Bartholomew's Church. He was a friend of Mr. T. R. Dennis, of Cambridge, who first contacted him at St. Giles', where both sang in the choir.

In the art of calligraphy his work was outstanding: his illustrated manuscripts grace many libraries, cathedrals and churches. For many years he worked at the Fitzwilliam Museum, under the direction of his friend and mentor, the late Sir Sydney Cockerell.

It is to Mr. Cousins that the Ringing Exercise is indebted for writing and illuminating the roll of honour of ringers who lost their lives in the First World War. This is in St. Paul's Cathedral, London, in the corridor leading to the ringing chamber. The book is bound in royal blue leather and is described by those in authority at the British Museum as being one of the finest pieces of modern illumination ever shown.

**TROWBRIDGE, WILTS.** — On Feb. 8th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: E. J. Hitchens 1, T. Holloway 2, E. C. Shephard (cond.) 3, L. E. Hitchens 4, P. W. J. Harding 5, N. G. Knee (first Grandsire Caters) 6, F. A. Penn 7, F. S. Slatford 8, G. H. Harding 9, J. Lucas 10. In memoriam S. J. Hector.

**EAST RETFORD, NOTTS.** — On March 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. A. Whetton 1, Mary C. Poyner 2, H. Smart 3, Doreen Metcalfe 4, J. Coates 5, H. Denman 6, H. Poyner (cond.) 7, P. Hammond 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Councillor G. M. Bruce Pearson, Mayor of Retford.



## Quarter Peals honour birth of the Queen's third son

**ASH, CANTERBURY, KENT.**—On March 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Marsh 1, P. Marshall 2, B. Barwick 3, W. Goldup 4, E. Wells (cond.) 5, R. Deverson 6. First quarter 1, 2, 3 and 6.

**ASH, SURREY.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. G. Smart 1, A. J. Smart 2, C. J. Harwood 3, J. Collier 4, S. T. Russell 5, P. G. Sherwood (cond.) 6.

**BUNNEY, NOTTS.**—On March 12th, 1,440 Treble Bob Minor (ten methods): T. Dutton and Miss S. Meredith 1, Miss C. Froggatt 2, B. M. Buswell 3, Mrs. D. Bradley 4, F. Bradley 5, B. Mills (cond.) 6.

**CANFORD MAGNA, DORSET.**—On March 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Janet A. Fawcett 1, Sandra M. Pitman (aged 11) 2, Barbara A. Furness (first 'inside') 3, W. J. Foot 4, H. I. Pitman (cond.) 5, R. M. B. Wainwright (first quarter) 6. First by Sunday service band.

**CANNOCK, STAFFS.**—On March 11th, 1,380 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob and April Day): Diana M. Preston 1, Lynda Roberts 2, Susan J. Devey 3, A. E. Barker 4, G. Bradbury (cond.) 5, R. D. Baker 6. First in three methods by all the band.

**CASTOR, PETERBOROUGH.**—On March 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Margaret Hill 1, F. Sismey (cond.) 2, L. Sharpe 3, A. Foster 4, R. Berridge 5, J. Coulson 6.

**CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.**—On March 11th, 1,259 Grandsire Doubles: G. G. Clark (first quarter) 1, M. J. Bura 2, J. H. Payton (cond.) 3, T. J. Wellen (first 'inside') 4, M. D. Fuller 5, L. G. Connor (first quarter) 6.

**CLIFTON, BEDS.**—On March 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (7, 8 covering): Miss B. Meeks (first quarter) 1, P. Rogers 2, Miss S. Percival 3, P. Tompkins 4, J. Church 5, C. Mayes (cond.) 6, T. Dilley 7, S. Bywaters 8.

**COTTINGHAM, YORKS.**—On March 11th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Jean M. Woodbridge 1, Mrs. Rene Page-Jones (first quarter) 2, Mrs. Jennifer Pybus 3, K. Goldthorpe 4, J. I. Booth 5, G. W. Pybus 6, P. Scowston 7, C. C. Brown (cond.) 8.

**CRADLEY, WORCS.**—On March 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. H. White 1, Mrs. B. Bolter (first 'inside') 2, A. G. Hall 3, A. B. Ellsmore (cond.) 4, H. J. Shuck 5, Miss M. Ellsmore 6, H. J. White 7, L. R. Hall 8.

**DAVENTRY, NORTHANTS.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Eddon (first quarter) 1, Hilary Johnson 2, G. Thompson 3, H. M. Johnson 4, P. I. Chapman (cond.) 5, D. Nimmo (first quarter) 6.

**EPSOM COMMON, SURREY.**—On March 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. J. K. Paul (first quarter) 1, Sally Parrott 2, W. S. Rees (first 'inside') 3, W. Parrott (cond.) 4, D. J. Herschell 5, W. J. Munton 6.

**HOLME HALE, NORFOLK.**—On March 11th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: H. A. Bennett 1, Miss F. A. M. Frost 2, A. R. Wife 3, W. J. Bailey 4, P. J. Woodcock (cond.) 5, R. Harmer 6.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On March 11th, 1,260 Doubles (April Day and Plain Bob): W. G. Marsh 1, R. D. Marsh 2, R. Blackshaw (cond.) 3, H. W. Harrison 4, J. A. Heaps 5, D. Barker 6.

**HURST, BERKS.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. C. A. Eele 1, Mrs. B. C. Castle 2, Mrs. R. K. Rivers 3, C. W. Mortimer 4, C. A. Eele 5, R. K. Rivers 6, B. C. Castle (cond.) 7, F. J. E. Hicks 8.

**HUTTON, ESSEX.**—On March 14th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): P. Friend 1, C. E. Hill 2, J. J. Wallett (cond.) 3, W. J. Hill 4, R. G. Jones 5.

**KING'S LYNN, NORFOLK.**—On March 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Major: M. Bryan (first of Major) 1, W. Cousins 2, R. Newson 3, C. V. Tovell 4, E. Mastin 5, C. Cousins 6, L. W. Houghton 7, Rev. Giles Galley (cond.) 8.

**LINCOLN.**—On March 11th, at St. Peter at Gowts, 1,260 Minor (Kent, Single Court and Plain Bob): H. Broxholme 1, F. Dixon 2, W. Tomlinson 3, A. Drury 4, J. Pearson 5, P. C. Pitchford (cond.) 6.

**MADELEY, SHROPSHIRE.**—On March 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. J. Molinoli (first quarter) 1, Miss P. Alford (first 'inside') 2, J. L. Stanier 3, F. W. Jones 4, H. Tranter (cond.) 5, H. Hyde 6.

**MANCHESTER.**—At the Cathedral on March 11th, 1,232 Plain Bob Major: Jane Reynolds (first quarter) 1, Mrs. M. Tonge 2, F. Barraclough 3, D. Frost (first quarter) 4, I. Frost (first quarter) 5, F. Reynolds (cond.) 6, D. Gillespie 7, J. Brannan 8.

**ORSETT, ESSEX.**—On March 14th, 1,260 St. Osmund Bob Doubles: S. D. Holdaway 1, Mrs. D. G. Mayell (75th quarter) 2, Miss J. E. M. Hills 3, T. G. Hull 4, D. G. Mayell (cond.) 5, F. W. Blatch 6. First in the method by all and on the bells.

**PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.**—On March 15th at St. Mary's Church, 1,260 Single Oxford Bob Minor: M. Parker ('circled the tower' for quarters) 1, G. Davis 2, Wendy Hollowell 3, B. J. Branstion 4, R. W. Spencer (cond.) 5, R. H. Dew 6.

**REIGATE, SURREY.**—On March 15th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Joan Hanning 1, G. Parsons 2, Betty Sagers 3, W. Dunn 4, A. Streeter 5, W. H. Inwood 6, G. Olliver (cond.) 7, A. T. Shelton 8.

**ROCHESTER, KENT.**—At the Cathedral on March 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. J. N. Norris 1, D. S. Osenton 2, B. R. Trill 3, G. F. Parkes 4, C. S. Jarrett 5, L. Crouch 6, M. F. Layton (cond.) 7, C. T. Osenton 8. The bells were also 'fired' after the quarter peal at the request of the Dean.

**SAMPFORD ARUNDEL, SOMERSET.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Jennifer Popplestone 1, P. Popplestone (cond.) 2, C. Rixon 3, Mrs. E. M. Williams 4, L. Hellings 5, I. Atkinson 6. First quarter 1, 3, 5 and 6 and by local band.

**SEALE, SURREY.**—On March 12th, 1,080 Grandsire Doubles: Miss V. Martin 1, E. J. Bragg 2, W. Draper 3, C. Poyntz 4, E. Gardner (cond.) 5, Miss D. Connel (first quarter) 6.

**SHAPWICK, SOMERSET.**—On March 14th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Mrs. Audrey Short 1, R. Short 2, Rev. C. J. B. Marshall 3, T. P. Field 4, H. G. Gaylard 5, H. E. G. Jeanes (cond.) 6.

**SILEBY, LEICS.**—On March 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: K. Whitehouse 1, T. Dexter 2, L. Lovett (cond.) 3, M. White 4, W. Draper 5, J. Preston 6.

**SOLIHULL, WARWICKS.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. Leeson 1, V. W. Rigg 2, T. J. Warner (cond.) 3, G. E. Fearn 4, C. Bragg 5, G. Palmer 6, R. J. Cann 7, A. Crabtree 8.

**SOUTH MIMMS, MIDDLESEX.**—On March 12th, 1,320 Grandsire Doubles: G. W. Sillis (first quarter) 1, B. M. Goodspeed 2, T. A. Hawkins 3, J. Dodds 4, G. Dodds (cond.) 5, M. J. H. Charlton (first quarter) 6.

**SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.**—On March 11th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Lavina Mumford 1, Susan Moxon 2, R. Beresford 3, D. Williamson 4, D. Parsons 5, Grace Burchall (cond.) 6, Katherine Burchall 7, H. Hawcroft 8. First of Major 2, 3, 4 and 5.

## SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD Southern District

March 7th was not the right time of the year to visit Devynog, Breconshire, for the quarterly meeting of the Southern District, but in spite of the cold east winds, 20 members and friends braved the weather conditions. Methods rung ranged from Grandsire to London Surprise Minor.

Evensong was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. W. J. A. Davies, who in his address welcomed the ringers to the ancient church of St. Cynog. The fine ring of bells has no ringers but the Vicar said he would try to enrol young people and, with the help of experienced ringers in the district, have the bells ringing out again.

Tea was provided by local ladies, who were thanked for their willing services.

At the business meeting, it was agreed to visit Cefn Coed for the September meeting. Members were reminded of the ringing competition, to be held at Neath on May 25th; those entering should advise the Gen. Sec. as soon as possible. Mr. E. Morris thanked the Vicar for the use of the bells and conducting the service.

J. A. H.

## 50 YEARS AGO

'Ringing World,' March 20th, 1914—

**BELLS OR BELLES.**—That bright weekly periodical, 'Tit-Bits,' is the latest journal to be made the recipient of a complaint about bells. Unhappily for the correspondent, however, he was unable to spell correctly, and the editorial comment scores off the would-be maligner of ringing. Here is the paragraph, which appears in the current issue: 'Citizen (Sheffield) sends in a violent complaint against the ringing of church bells, and concludes by asking, "Of what earthly use are they? They don't attract people to church."—Unfortunately, he has made a little slip in his spelling, and writes the word "belles" every time he wishes to speak about "bells." We can't resist the opportunity of saying that if it was not for the church belles a good many of the young men would not be drawn to church.'

'Ringing World,' March 27th, 1914—

**HER NAME ISN'T (K)NELL**  
Jack calls Miss Bute a silent belle  
Because, becoming bold,  
He kissed the maid one day and—well  
She never tolled.—'Boston Transcript.'

## ROYAL BIRTH PEALS—Continued

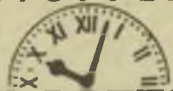
**WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.**—On March 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: I. Dear 1, A. G. Sears (first quarter) 2, M. C. Austin 3, June Whitcher 4, H. Duncan 5, R. Durrant 6, D. E. Cobb (cond.) 7, D. S. Billimore 8.

**WAREHAM, DORSET.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Judith A. Robertson 1, C. M. Heawood (first in the method) 2, C. T. Brown 3, G. W. Elmes 4, M. J. Young 5, R. G. W. Robertson 6, J. W. Blackwood (cond.) 7, R. W. Young 8. First of Stedman Triples 4, 5 and 8. First ever of Stedman Triples by a local band.

**WARMINGTON, NORTHANTS.**—On March 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. Norah Ashton (first of Minor) 1, A. S. Bishop 2, Anne Horsford 3, Wendy Hollowell 4, A. H. Hinton 5, R. H. Dew (cond.) 6.

**WEST TARRING, SUSSEX.**—On March 14th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: S. R. Strange 1, Veronica G. Rees 2, D. A. Smith 3, S. Howard 4, A. M. Horn 5, Rev. N. J. Smith (cond.) 6.

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## GUILDFORD GUILD RAISING SUBSCRIPTION

**G**UILDFORD Diocesan Guild of Church Bell Ringers, at its annual meeting in Holy Trinity Hall, Guildford, on Saturday, decided to increase its annual subscription to 5s. and for junior members 2s. 6d.

Mr. C. H. Kippin (Cove), the treasurer, in making the proposal, which was recommended by the Executive Committee, said: 'We are travelling on a shoe string.' He cited that the Guildford Guild was unable to pay the expenses of its Central Council representatives in full, or the Executive Committee their part travelling expenses. There were also economies in other directions.

The Master, Mr. D. A. R. May (Old Woking), who presided, asked the company to stand while losses by death were remembered. Messrs. F. Oakshott (Epsom), A. C. Hazelden (Guildford), G. Cook (Ashted) and R. H. Hutton (Guildford).

The Master paid a tribute to the work of Mr. Hazelden, as Guild librarian and representative on the Central Council since the Guild's formation.

Mr. W. Viggers (Aldershot) suggested that when the Guild Library was moved from St. Nicolas' belfry to the Cathedral tower a memorial plaque to Mr. Hazelden should be placed in the tower. The suggestion met with approval.

Mr. F. W. Housden (Shalford) was appointed the new librarian. An appeal was made for those having books on loan to return them so that the catalogue might be checked at the beginning of the new librarian's term of office.

### CATHEDRAL BELLS

A disappointment was the response by the public to the appeal made last year for money needed to purchase the remaining bells for the Cathedral. The fifth had, however, been given by an anonymous donor in memory of a relative and now rested in the ambulatory of the Cathedral with the 'Pulling' memorial bell. Each district was endeavouring to provide one of the front four bells and therefore four further bells had yet to be provided.

The Master said he had received gifts of £15 and £10 from old ringers which he had forwarded to the District funds. It was decided to transfer money in the Appeal Fund to the Cathedral Bell Fund. The Leatherhead District had raised £192 towards their bell, Guildford District £124 10s. and Chertsey District £50 15s.

### LOWEST PEAL TOTAL

Only 18 peals were rung last year, the lowest number since the formation of the Guild. There were 75 ringers taking part in 12 different methods in 14 towers with nine different conductors. Messrs. T. T. Page and E. J. Wells were the teaching conductors.

Major E. J. Bragg (Aldershot), peal recorder, said the leading conductor since the Guild was formed was the late A. H. Pulling with 334 peals. Mr. E. J. Wells was second with 90 and Mr. A. Harman third with 83. Most peals for the Guild had been rung in Holy Trinity Church with 197 followed by Hersham 41 and Ashted 38.

The report mentioned that during a District practice at Leatherhead, one bell fell into its pit and on investigation showed that the headstocks of this and another bell were cracked. Repair work was in hand. The meeting authorised the Leatherhead District's making a donation of £5 5s. towards the cost.

### MEMBERSHIP

The Guild had a total of 718 members, made up as follows — ringing 648, honorary 70. District totals of ringing members were Chertsey 108, Farnham 155, Guildford 139, Leatherhead 122. There were 124 life and unattached.

Revisions of rules had been undertaken by a sub-committee and these were explained to the meeting by Mr. C. W. Munday and approved. By these alterations the Executive Committee were reduced from more than 30 to 19. Compounding members were to be known as non-resident and they would pay the same sum as ordinary members. Honorary members would be called associate members.

## SAPCOTE'S 34-SPLICED SURPRISE BAND



Right to left.—Seated: Mrs. M. E. Brown, Christine J. Stratford; Standing: Brian L. Burrows, Laurence Watkins, John Watkins and Michael E. Brown.

**B**EHIND the ringing of the peal of Spliced Surprise Minor in 34 methods at Sapcote, Leicestershire, on February 15th, there is a fine story of perseverance which goes back some 16 months.

On October 2nd, 1962, Mr. Michael Brown, of Sapcote, fulfilled a ringing ambition when the Sunday service band that he had taught to ring succeeded in ringing a peal of seven Surprise Minor methods. He little dreamed that in 16 months almost the same band

would achieve the distinction of ringing a peal in 34 Surprise Minor Methods — the minimum number of Surprise methods, from the four way table, obtainable in seven extents. This feat had only once before been performed by a Sunday service band. It is an example of the infectious enthusiasm of the conductor, Mr. Michael Brown, and his skilled leadership.

The progress of the band was gradual. The first step was to ring ten methods. This was rung at Sharnford, where Mr. John Vernon, of Stoney Stanton, joined the band for the occasion. The peal was Sapcote ringers' first of spliced—all the extents containing more than one method.

A very big step forward was taken by the peal of 21 Spliced Surprise Minor rung at Sapcote on December 22nd, 1962. Miss Jennifer Stratford, who rang inside in the seven Surprise peal, was on the treble and the rest of the band were in the same places as in 34 spliced peal, viz: Christine Stratford 2, Laurence Watkins 3, Brian C. Burrows 4, John Watkins 5, Michael Brown tenor.

Useful practice was put in during Christmas, 1962, when Martin C. Faulkes, of Hinckley, replaced Miss J. Stratford and peals of 11 and 18 methods were rung respectively at Leire and Broughton Abbey.

On February 16th, 1963, 24 Spliced was achieved at Sapcote with Miss Rita Stratford on the treble and the remainder being the 21 methods band. Another step forward occurred at Kirby Mallory on March 7th when Annable's London, Rossendale and Stamford were rung for the first time, the treble being rung by Mr. Frederick Watson, of Croft, and John Watkins and Brian Burrows swapping positions.

Thirty Spliced was reached on March 26th, with Mrs. M. E. Brown on the treble and the rest of the band as in the 21 methods. This was the first peal of 30 Spliced methods for the Guild and in the county. Two months later, the same band, except that Richard Clifton rang the treble in place of Mrs. Brown, rang 26 Spliced at Desford.

At this stage the band slowed down as regards peal ringing. A new 1440 of all the 11 Chester methods was being studied. Just before the New Year (1964) the band felt competent to tackle 34 Spliced Surprise. More than six attempts were made before on Saturday, February 15th, the ambition of 34 Spliced Surprise was achieved.

The credit does not go solely to the band. All the Sapcote ringers deserve to share in this glory of being the first Sunday service band in the Midlands to obtain 34 methods, as they forced themselves to ring difficult methods to give the peal band excellent practice. All feel that there is now no reason why 36 Spliced should not be obtained.

B. L. B.

### COURSE OF INSTRUCTION

The Master drew attention to a course of instruction to be held at Moor Park College, Farnham, from July 17th to 19th in conjunction with the Surrey and Hampshire County Councils. The course would be divided into two groups—for beginners and those more advanced. Mr. Douglas Hughes was to lecture on bells and maintenance and Mr. W. G. Wilson on various aspects of practical ringing. There would also be another instructor.

The cost of the course was £7 per pupil. The County Councils were subsidising to the extent of £3. A reduction in the fee of £4 could be obtained by those undertaking full time education and those in difficulties. Applications for assistance should be made to the Master.

### AMERICAN VISIT

The meeting congratulated Mr. Harold N. Pistow on being selected as a member of the English team of 10 ringers who are going to Washington Cathedral to ring for the dedication of the tower.

Mr. J. E. Beams (Ewell) proposed that the Guild give a donation of £5 towards the appeal fund to meet the expenses of flying the team to America. Mr. D. Herschell seconded.

In reply to a question the treasurer said they could not afford it, and Mr. Housden thought it was America who should find the money. The motion was dropped.

Proceedings closed with a vote of thanks proposed by the Master to the Rev. David Bentley, who conducted the service, Mr. S. G. Ponting, the organist, the ladies who had provided the tea and the incumbents of churches in Guildford open to ringing.



**HALF PEAL**

**NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.**—On March 14th. 2,528 Plain Bob Major: R. Adams (first long length) 1, T. Chapman 2 and 3, Carolyn Vibert 4, D. J. Forder (cond.) 5, M. D. Trigg 6, F. C. W. Knight 7, M. J. Thomas 8. A peal attempt brought round.

**QUARTER PEALS**

**BETHERSDEN, KENT.**—On March 15th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Elizabeth Stewart 1, L. Sweatman 2, P. J. Jarvis 3, J. V. Richards 4, W. C. Marshall 5, G. Stewart (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**BREWOD, STAFFS.**—On March 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (6, 7, 8 covering): C. A. Allsop 1, R. W. Broughton 2, W. Allsop 3, I. Rimmer 4, R. L. Hawksworth (cond.) 5, V. Beddoes 6, G. L. Askew 7, D. R. Hawksworth 8. First quarter 1, 6 and 7.

**CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.**—At the Cathedral on March 1st, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: J. Everett 1, Jane Everett 2, Edna Frith 3, A. H. Everett 4, I. J. Clark (cond.) 5, P. Brown 6, R. Harrison 7, M. Cowling 8, I. Pantan 9, P. J. Eves 10. First on ten for 1 and 2. For the Chelmsford Town Festival Dedication Service.

**CROPWELL BISHOP, NOTTS.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: G. H. Wells (first quarter) 1, R. D. Marsh 2, J. T. Burnup 3, C. R. Larkin (cond.) 4, G. A. Dawson 5. A birthday compliment to Mr. A. Challinor, of Bingham.

**EDINBURGH.**—On Feb. 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. S. Wilson 1, Miss E. Graham (first quarter) 2, Miss M. A. B. Wilson 3, M. J. Pink 4, M. J. Marriott 5, M. M. Peterson (cond.) 6.

**FINCHLEY, MIDD.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss D. Robotham 1, A. Richardson 2, Mrs. E. Richardson 3, L. Tubb 4, A. Warren 5, B. Watson 6, B. Willis (cond.) 7, P. Taylor 8. For Evensong. First quarter of Stedman by the Sunday service band.

**GODALMING, SURREY.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles: Maureen Lockyear 1, Janet Lockyear 2, Nicolai Stroud 3, N. Stroud 4, J. H. Payton (cond.) 5, Elizabeth Stevinson 6, P. G. Stroud 7, T. Lewis 8. First quarter 1 and 2. One, 7 and 8 ringing 'rounds.' For United Youth service.

**GRANBY, NOTTS.**—On March 4th, 1,440 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: T. Dutton 1, Miss S. Meredith 2, Miss C. Froggatt 3, Mrs. D. Bradley 4, F. Bradley 5, B. Mills (cond.) 6.

**QUARTER PEALS**

**HISTON, CAMBS.**—On March 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss C. Diver (first quarter) 1, M. Hawes (first 'inside') 2, M. Carter 3, C. Muncey 4, C. Gooding 5, H. Foster (cond.) 6. For Mothering Sunday service.

**HOLYWELL, HUNTS.**—On Dec. 22nd, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: G. Nicholls 1, D. G. Papworth 2, D. Peacock 3, W. R. Papworth 4, L. Cowley 5, W. Ransome (cond.) 6. For morning service. Also on March 8th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: G. Nicholls 1, D. G. Papworth 2, L. Fisher 3, W. R. Papworth 4, L. Cowley 5, W. Ransome (cond.) 6. For morning service.

**LANCHESTER, CO. DURHAM.**—On Feb. 2nd, 1,440 Plain Bob Doubles: D. Ballentine (first quarter) 1, D. Appleton 2, Miss L. Moore 3, J. Thomson 4, H. P. Thompson (cond.) 5, A. Walker 6. For Evensong. Also on March 8th, 1,440 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Tonks 1, A. Walker 2, Miss L. Moore 3, J. Thomson 4, H. P. Thompson (cond.) 5, D. Appleton 6. For evensong.

**LETCOMBE REGIS, BERKS.**—On March 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Timms 1, F. H. Whipp 2, J. Strawford 3, C. R. Miles 4, C. J. Pearce (cond.) 5, A. Carter 6.

**LYONSHALL, HEREFORDS.**—On Feb. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: T. Pugh 1, B. G. Giddings 2, Mrs. E. Chandler 3, R. J. Preece 4, T. Bound (cond.) 5, J. Wilce 6. A compliment to Miss S. Drew on her 91st birthday.

**REIGATE, SURREY.**—On March 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Caters: Nancy Kempell 1, J. Euston 2, R. Talbot 3, G. Olliver 4, W. Dunn 5, C. H. B. Cook 6, K. G. Game (cond.) 7, W. Inwood 8, A. T. Shelton 9, Joan Hanning 10. A 21st birthday compliment to the conductor.

**SELLY OAK, BIRMINGHAM.**—On March 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss P. S. Eckles 1, C. Davies (first quarter) 2, Miss N. Barker 3, Mrs. B. Parsons 4, P. J. Salt 5, K. C. Jones 6, W. B. Cartwright (cond.) 7, A. L. Westwood 8. For Evensong.

**SHEBBEAR, DEVON.**—On March 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: W. J. Moore 1, P. J. Daniel, C. J. G. Head 3, J. L. Queen 4, D. J. Etchells (first as cond.) 5, R. J. Gay 6. For Matins.

**SILVERTON, DEVON.**—On March 7th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: Jennifer Smith 1, Ann Fellows 2, Jean Barnett 3, M. Lock 4, Margaret Wilkinson 5, C. Bryant 6, F. Mack (cond.) 7, J. Woolford 8.

**SUNBURY-ON-THAMES, MIDD.**—On Feb. 23rd, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: P. A. Brand 1, M. B. Tyers 2, Doreen Gibbons 3, D. Brock 4, A. Johnson 5, D. Struckett (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**SWINDON, WILTS.**—At Christ Church, on March 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. E. Jaques (first quarter) 1, E. Sutton (cond.) 2, W. W. T. Daniell 3, M. D. Penney 4, P. Minchin 5, Miss S. Little 6. Also on March 11th, 1,264 Bob Major: W. W. T. Daniell 1, M. D. Penney 2, P. Minchin 3, Miss S. Little 4, A. G. Wells 5, P. Spackman 6, M. Stanley 7, E. Sutton (cond.) 8. First of Bob Major 2, 4 and 6. Rung for Confirmation service.

**THORNE, YORKS.**—On March 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: H. Pilkington (first quarter) 1, Miss F. Chester 2, J. R. Whitham (first Bob Minor) 3, H. Bell 4, R. A. Smith 5, F. J. Jackson (cond.) 6. A compliment to Miss S. M. Jackson and Mr. D. Bowman, on their wedding day.

**TICHMARSH, NORTHANTS.**—On Feb. 29th, 1,440 Minor (720 Plain Bob and St. Clement's, 720 Double Oxford and Single Oxford): G. F. Cowlin 1, Wendy Hollowell 2, P. M. Fleckney 3, R. W. Spencer 4, F. E. Coales 5, R. H. Daw (cond.) 6.

**WATERLOO, LONDON.**—At St. John's Church, on Feb. 9th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss M. E. Powell 1, W. D. Grainger 2, C. M. Meyer 3, Miss M. A. Ladd 4, J. Hales 5, D. P. Smith 6, J. W. Smith (cond.) 7, E. J. Ladd 8. For Evensong.

**WOODSTON, HUNTS.**—On March 8th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Mary Brighton (first quarter) 1, L. Brighton 2, A. J. Wright 3, Pauline M. Larham 4, J. M. Roffe (first as cond.) 5, M. Evans (first quarter) 6. For Evensong, and as farewell to the Rev. H. T. W. Nesbitt, moving to All Saints', Huntingdon.

**YATTON, SOMERSET.**—On March 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. C. Porter 1, H. W. Knight 2, A. E. Price 3, D. E. Vowles 4, S. G. Smith 5, H. A. Price (cond.) 6, G. H. Pullin 7, A. England 8. First quarter 1 and 8. For Mothering Sunday.

**WITHAM, SUSSEX.**—On March 8th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss W. Mellin 1, J. Warner 2, R. Dorking 3, B. Crook 4, T. Monk 5, H. Dorking 6, E. W. Bright 7, A. Pigott (cond.) 8. For morning service. Also a birthday compliment to ringers of 3, 5 and 7.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP

The band who rang the  
peal of Stedman Cinques at  
Painswick, which was ar-  
ranged especially for the royal birth, would  
like to express their thanks to the Vicar  
(Rev. H. F. Heal) and to the tower captain  
(Mr. S. G. Goulding) for making the attempt  
possible. The band also feel honoured to have  
been elected honorary members of the Ancient  
Society of Painswick Youths immediately after  
the peal. These bells are only available for  
peal attempts to mark very special occasions.

Witney (Oxon) Ringing Society have found  
their first minute book, which covers the years  
1868-1901.

**Correction.**—The peal at Lowestoft on Feb-  
ruary 29th (page 177) was the first of Kent  
T.B. Major for Mr. N. P. J. Cossey, and not  
his first peal of Treble Bob Major.

In connection with East Riding practice  
nights (page 174) we are now informed that  
the Hesse (6) practice is on Thursdays not  
Wednesdays, and North Ferriby on Mondays,  
and not Wednesdays.

The Davids' who met at Newtown for the  
unsuccessful peal attempt desire to thank Mr.  
Derek P. Jones, who writes 'D.V.', not only  
made all the arrangements but also provided  
transport and camera!

The tenor wheel at All Saints', Wandsworth,  
is half wood and half aluminium. Are there  
any other similar tenor wheels as the band are  
anxious, with their peal of Double Norwich  
Court Bob Major there on March 7th, to claim  
a first?

Permission has been granted for Rickmans-  
worth ringers to raise the necessary £220 for  
the recasting of the sixth bell. Being a small  
band, they appeal for contributions, which  
should be sent to Mr. D. C. Bartholomew,  
113, Ebury Road, Rickmansworth, Herts.

Shebbear College Ringing Society are ener-  
getically pushing their appeal for the bells of  
the village church. Their fete on January 25th  
raised £106. Nearly every boy in the school  
helped in the draw and prizes were donated  
by parents and business people. With cash do-  
nations the fund stands at £270 from which  
about £30 has been taken for a new set of  
ropes.

A peal was planned at  
North Stoneham on March  
14th. Unfortunately the band  
was one short. Tom Chapman then volun-  
teered to ring two bells, he having rung a  
number of peals in this way previously. The  
absence of gloves, which he invariably wears  
when ringing two tower bells to a peal, caused  
his hands to come unbearably sore, so much  
so that the peal was brought round half way.  
Another attempt is to be made.

Despite his left leg being recently fractured  
and still in plaster, Mr. R. Short rang in a  
quarter peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor  
at Shapwick, Somerset, for the royal birth  
and earned from the band a warm 'Thank  
you, Ron.'

Halfway through a quarter peal at West Hill,  
Wandsworth, on March 15th, an irate gentle-  
man rushed into the belfry ordering the ring-  
ing to be stopped. The band, knowing this  
person to be a regular complainant, kept calm  
and saw the quarter through.

Mr. S. T. Price, of Stonehouse, informs us  
that 12 peals, rung on the bells of Bisley,  
Gloucestershire, since 1920, are published in  
the annual reports of the Gloucester and  
Bristol Diocesan Association. Before claim-  
ing first peals on bells it would be well to  
check from authoritative sources.

Two Appleton ringers, Miss Stella Sergeant  
—cousin of Mr. Brian White—and David Wood-  
ward, who were married on March 14th were  
remembered with happiness during a peal  
at Marston, Oxford. David was formerly with  
this band and rang the treble to the record  
long length peal on these bells in 1958.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Corby rang their first  
peal together at Edenbridge on October 6th,  
1945. They were therefore grateful to the local  
ringers for the opportunity of using the bells  
for the first peal together of themselves and  
their two children on March 14th, 1964.

It is some time since we have recorded a  
peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major  
rung silent and non-conducted. Congratula-  
tions to the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan  
Association on their performance at Darling-  
ton on March 14th.

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*On Thurs., March 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 28½ Minutes,  
IN ST. HUGH'S TOWER AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE BLESSED*

VIRGIN MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES

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

NORAH M. RANGLES .. .. Treble	H. LESLIE PASK .. .. 7
DELIA E. SMITH .. .. 2	WALTER TOMLINSON .. .. 8
JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. .. 3	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. .. 9
JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. .. 4	JOHN WALDEN .. .. 10
GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. 5	A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL .. 11
GEORGE E. FEIRN .. .. 6	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. Tenor

Composed by FRANK E. DARBY.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

## PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS

AND

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

*On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in D.

TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. .. Treble	CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. 7
*GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. .. 2	RICHARD J. BOWDEN .. .. 8
ALBERT M. TYLER .. .. 3	BRIAN J. WYLDE .. .. 9
WALTER F. JUDGE .. .. 4	D. JOHN HUNT .. .. 10
MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. 5	REV. ROGER O. FRY .. .. 11
BRIAN BLADON .. .. 6	EMLYN F. HANCOCK .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by ALBERT M. TYLER.

\* First peal on 12 bells.

## SOUTHWELL, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

*On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes,*

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

## A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lb. in D.

JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. .. Treble	EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. 7
MURIEL REAY .. .. 2	CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. .. 8
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 3	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 9
GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. 4	JOHN A. ANDERSON .. .. 10
GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. 5	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. 11
FREDERICK ROSS .. .. 6	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

## NORTHAMPTON.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

*On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 24 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb. in D.

WILLIAM J. CHESTER .. .. Treble	† GRAHAM C. PAUL .. .. 6
* CHARLES E. TRUMAN .. .. 2	† ALAN A. PAUL .. .. 7
GEORGE F. ROOME .. .. 3	WILLIAM A. YATES .. .. 8
* FREDERICK C. CASE .. .. 4	* JAMES LINNELL .. .. 9
† ROGER W. SMITH .. .. 5	GEORGE W. HOLLAND .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. J. TUCKER.

Conducted by GRAHAM C. PAUL.

\* First peal of Royal. † First on ten bells.

## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

*On Tues., March 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 13 Minutes,*

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

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

RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. .. Treble	JOHN K. SMITH .. .. 5
RAYMOND BENFIELD .. .. 2	RICHARD C. L. BROWN .. .. 6
REV. MALCOLM C. C. MELVILLE	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. 7
DEREK P. JONES .. .. 4	G. RONALD EDWARDS .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by DEREK P. JONES.

## GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

*On Wed., March 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 23 lb. in G.

* MICHAEL DANIELS .. .. Treble	SYLVIA R. E. PIPE .. .. 5
ALAN R. BRIDGES .. .. 2	ERNEST G. PEARCE .. .. 6
BRENDA E. DOWNING .. .. 3	ROBERT F. DOWNING .. .. 7
CLIFFORD R. LOVETT .. .. 4	CECIL W. PIPE .. .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY.

Conducted by CECIL W. PIPE.

\* First peal in the method.

## WINDSOR, BERKSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

*On Wed., March 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,*

AT THE QUEEN'S FREE CHAPEL OF ST. GEORGE.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. J. Parker's Musical Four-Part.	Tenor 26 cwt.
MONICA BLAGROVE .. .. Treble	JAMES BROOKS .. .. 5
DAVID P. HILLING .. .. 2	A. JAMES GLASS .. .. 6
KENNETH BUCKINGHAM .. .. 3	FRANK T. BLAGROVE .. .. 7
NORMAN V. HARDING .. .. 4	EDWARD S. T. FARR .. .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK T. BLAGROVE.

## HATFIELD BROAD OAK, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

*On Fri., March 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

## A PEAL OF 5152 DEDHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt.

PETER G. BROWN .. .. Treble	DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. .. 5
JOE E. G. ROAST .. .. 2	PETER J. EVES .. .. 6
PATRICK W. SALTMARSH .. .. 3	JAMES L. TOWLER .. .. 7
IAN R. PANTON .. .. 4	ALFRED J. HOUSE .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. S. HUDSON.

Conducted by JOE E. G. ROAST.

200th peal as conductor. First in the method (H. and M. Collection, No. 2,850).

## LEICESTER.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

*On Fri., March 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 15 methods, comprising 640 of London and 320 each of Wembley, Lincolnshire, Lindum, Cray, Eastcote, Cambridge, Superlative, Uxbridge, Yorkshire, Wordsworth, Pudsey, Bristol, Rutland and New Gloucester; 140 changes of method.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

* R. JOY WATKIN .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY M. BREWIN .. .. 5
DAVID G. WILFORD .. .. 2	ROLAND H. COOK .. .. 6
WILLIAM A. LACEY .. .. 3	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. .. 7
J. BARRY PICKUP .. .. 4	JOHN E. COOK .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN.

Conducted by JOHN E. COOK.

\* First peal. First in 15 Surprise Major methods on the bells, for the Guild, and by the band.

## BUSHEY, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

*On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES-THE-APOSTLE.

## A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

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

CHRISTINE M. RIMMER .. Treble	S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN .. 5
JOYCE DODDS .. .. 2	ROGER BALDWIN .. .. 6
GEOFFREY DODDS .. .. 3	GERALD PENNEY .. .. 7
* CLIVE W. SIMPSON .. .. 4	KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

\* First peal of Surprise.

## ECCLESHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

*On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's variation. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb.

IAN FRIEND .. .. Treble	HOWARD HOWELL .. .. 5
G. ARNOLD MOORE .. .. 2	* GEOFFREY C. BEECH .. .. 6
E. MARION KEY .. .. 3	BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. 7
ERIC YOUNG .. .. 4	WILLIAM WATKIN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples.

## LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

*On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 3 Hours,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 17 cwt. 4 lb. in F.

JOHN WEAVER .. .. Treble	* JOHN POTTS .. .. 5
* JEFFREY P. COOPER .. .. 2	* ALLAN WEAR .. .. 6
RONALD H. DOVE .. .. 3	C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. 7
* WILLIAM DIXON .. .. 4	* DINAH M. BLOW .. .. Tenor

Composed by B. ANNABLE.

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

\* First peal of Bob Triples. † 100th peal for the Association.

## FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

*On Sun., March 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE-EVANGELIST.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's variation. Tenor 12 cwt.

DAVID VINCENT .. .. Treble	JAMES CUNLIFFE .. .. 5
BERNARD MOSS .. .. 2	BRIAN TOMLINSON .. .. 6
* CHRISTOPHER A. LOMAX .. 3	GEOFFREY FOTHERGILL .. 7
ALBERT GREENHALGH .. .. 4	JOHN ASHCROFT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN ASHCROFT.

\* First peal in the method 'inside.'

## DEDHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

x 58 x 16 x 12 x 16 x 14 x 1238 x 12 x 38  
2nd place L.E. 15738264



## PEALS FOR THE ROYAL BIRTH—Cont.

APSLEY END, HERTFORDSHIRE.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., March 11, 1964, in 3 Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

### A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

In 14 methods, being one extent each of Chester and Munden, Bourne and Netherseale, Lightfoot and Wearmouth, Beverley and Surfleet, London and Wells, York and Durham, Cambridge and Primrose; with 76 changes of method. Tenor 14½ cwt.

BRIAN M. BARKER .. .. Treble	AUGUSTIN V. GOOD .. .. 4
*ANTONY R. KENCH .. .. 2	REGINALD E. J. SHEPPARD .. 5
WALTER AYRE .. .. 3	KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal in 14 methods.

SAPCOTE, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Wed., March 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

### A PEAL OF 5040 EDINBURGH DELIGHT MINOR

Being seven 720's. Tenor 9 cwt, 1 qr, 26 lb. in A flat.

V. THOMAS COOPER .. .. Treble	JOHN WATKINS .. .. 4
CHRISTINE J. STRATFORD .. 2	BRIAN L. BURROWS .. .. 5
LAWRENCE WATKINS .. .. 3	MICHAEL E. BROWN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

CHELFORD, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Fri., March 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST.

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Consisting of seven different 720's. Tenor 8½ cwt.

*ROBERT BARRATT .. .. Treble	BRIAN SCHOFIELD .. .. 4
*†ERNEST PIMLOTT .. .. 2	†HARRY W. HOWARD .. .. 5
*F. GEORGE FORRESTER .. 3	PETER W. HORN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY W. HOWARD.

\* 25th peal together. † 25th peal together.

GREAT LINFORD, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Fri., March 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 16 cwt.

*MICHAEL R. NIMMO .. .. Treble	MALCOLM G. HOOTON .. .. 4
*†NICHOLAS GRAY .. .. 2	KINGSLEY P. WOOTTON .. 5
P. DAVID TAYLOR .. .. 3	BARRY R. EGLESFIELD .. Tenor

Conducted by BARRY R. EGLESFIELD.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.'

WALKHAMPTON, DEVON.  
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.  
On Fri., March 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Tenor 7½ cwt.

WILLIAM A. THEOBALD .. Treble	TREVOR N. J. BAILEY .. 4
D. ROY BOULD .. .. 2	WILFRED C. BOUCHER .. 5
MARGARET A. BOULD .. 3	T. LESLIE CUNDY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by TREVOR N. J. BAILEY.

First peal of Doubles in the method by all except conductor.

MARSTON, OXFORD.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(Oxford Society.)

On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

### A PEAL OF 5400 WINCHENDON PLACE DOUBLES

Tenor 5 cwt.

LEONARD PORTER .. .. Treble	F. MARILYN BIRD .. .. 3
ROY H. JONES .. .. 2	NOEL D. DEAM .. .. 4
ALEC GAMMON .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by NOEL D. DEAM.

First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Guild. Longest length yet rung in the method.

## Peals rung in honour of the birth of a son to Princess Alexandra and Mr. Angus Ogilvy

DERBY.  
THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt, 1 qr, 14 lb.

DAVID K. WALKLATE .. Treble	MICHAEL A. WILLIS .. .. 5
*JOHN WHITING .. .. 2	SAMPSON WALKLATE .. .. 6
WM. ALLSOPP .. .. 3	†REG. WALLIS .. .. 7
KEVIN A. BETESTA .. .. 4	JACK BAILEY .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by DAVID K. WALKLATE.

\* First peal. † First for 25 years.

FREISTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven methods in seven extents: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Oxford Bob, (3) Double Oxford Bob, (4) Oxford Treble Bob, (5) St Clement's College Bob, (6) Kent Treble Bob, (7) Old Faithful.

Tenor 15 cwt, 3 qr.

*R. ARTHUR GOLDSMITH .. Treble	ALBERT E. FLATTERS .. .. 4
NORMAN B. FOVARGUE .. 2	KEITH R. DAVEY .. .. 5
GEORGE R. G. BUTLER .. 3	HAROLD BARSLEY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by KEITH R. DAVEY.

\* First peal.

## OTHER PEALS

### TWELVE BELL PEAL

WOLVERHAMPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.  
On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes,  
AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

### A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 33 cwt, 21 lb. in C sharp.

MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY .. Treble	JOHN R. FAITHFULL .. .. 7
ARTHUR H. REED .. .. 2	JOHN HARTLESS .. .. 8
ANN M. COX .. .. 3	FRANK L. HARRIS .. .. 9
DAVID J. FORDER .. .. 4	RONALD N. MARLOW .. .. 10
MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. .. 5	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. 11
PHILIP N. TUBBS .. .. 6	LEWIS F. COBB .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY.

Coinducted by PHILIP N. TUBBS.

First peal on 12 as conductor.

### TEN BELL PEALS

APPLETON, BERKSHIRE.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE.

### A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 14 cwt, 2 qr, 19 lb. in E.

REGINALD G. HOOPER .. Treble	FREDERICK SHARPE .. .. 6
FREDK. A. H. WILKINS .. 2	F. JOHN NELSON .. .. 7
BRYNLEY A. SHACKLETON .. 3	FREDERICK C. WHITE .. 8
DENNIS LESLIE .. .. 4	FRANCIS A. WHITE .. .. 9
WILLIAM COLES .. .. 5	EDWIN DREWITT .. .. Tenor

Composed by G. HOLIFIELD.

Conducted by F. JOHN NELSON.

Rung for the 146th anniversary of the bells.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Mon., March 9, 1964, in 3 Hours and 33 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER MANCROFT.

### A PEAL OF 5076 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 37 cwt, 99 lb. in C.

NOLAN GOLDEN .. .. Treble	DR. DAVID HEIGHTON .. 6
JANET H. BUSS .. .. 2	JOHN A. COX .. .. 7
DAVID CUBITT .. .. 3	PETER ADCOCK .. .. 8
A. SPENCER BROTHERS .. 4	CLIFFORD BIRD .. .. 9
MARTIN CUBITT .. .. 5	H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

Half-muffled in memoriam William Love, member of the Mancroft Ringers' Guild and general secretary and treasurer of the Association 1955-1962; remembering, too, Walter Charles Medler, who also loved these bells.

### EIGHT BELL PEALS

PRESTWOLD, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., Feb. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

### A PEAL OF 5184 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt, 3 qr, 18 lb. in F sharp.

ROBERT E. HARDY .. .. Treble	J. BARRY PICKUP .. .. 5
MALCOLM E. WADE .. .. 2	GEOFFREY M. BREWIN .. 6
WILLIAM A. LACEY .. .. 3	ROLAND H. COOK .. .. 7
ALAN E. HARTLEY .. .. 4	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by R. KINGSLEY MASON.

Rung with the best wishes of the band as a wedding compliment to Mr. Graham T. Ball, of Stoney Stanton, Leics, and Miss Patricia Harper, of Polesworth, Warwicks, who were married at Polesworth this day.

MARPLE, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., Feb. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

### A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt.

CAROL FEARNLEY .. .. Treble	ALAN J. BROWN .. .. 5
EILEEN FEARN .. .. 2	ROBERT WORRILOW .. .. 6
JOHN WORTH .. .. 3	C. KENNETH LEWIS .. .. 7
HAROLD C. LONYON .. .. 4	BASIL JONES .. .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by JOHN WORTH.



LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Tues., March 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes,  
AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

### A PEAL OF 5088 QUENBY SURPRISE MAJOR

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

RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. .. Treble	RAYMOND BENFIELD .. .. 5
SANDRA E. CHESTERION .. .. 2	G. RONALD EDWARDS .. .. 6
A. JAMES POYNOR .. .. 3	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. 7
REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. 4	BRIAN G. WARWICK .. .. Tenor

Composed by G. BAKER (att. SHIRLEY BURTON).

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

First peal in the method.

BUSHEY, HERTFORDSHIRE.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Thurs., March 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES-THE-APOSTLE.

### A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In eight methods, being 1,440 each of London and Rutland, 736 Bristol, 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Superlative and Yorkshire, and 160 Pudsey; with 128 changes of method.

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

H. GEORGE HART .. .. Treble	S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN .. 5
*BERNARD E. MATTHEWS .. .. 2	ROGER BALDWIN .. .. 6
VERNON GREEN .. .. 3	KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. .. 7
*GERALD PENNEY .. .. 4	CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ROGER BALDWIN.

\* First peal of 8-Spliced.

BARKWAY, HERTFORDSHIRE.  
THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.  
On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE.

### A PEAL OF 5056 DORCHESTER SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt.

E. JANE SIBSON .. .. Treble	ROBIN J. TREBILCOCK .. .. 5
MIKAELA ERIK .. .. 2	DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 6
DIANA M. LAWLESS .. .. 3	ALAN J. FROST .. .. 7
ANDREW J. STRATHDEE .. 4	PHILIP MEHEW .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN L. MORRIS. Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Society.

GREAT DUNMOW, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

### A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb.

*PETER D. CHAPMAN .. .. Treble	PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. 5
PATRICIA DISERENS .. .. 2	MICHAEL J. HALLETT .. .. 6
ROBERT J. CHAPMAN .. .. 3	RONALD F. DISERENS .. .. 7
*DAVID E. BELCHAM .. .. 4	ALFRED J. HOUSE .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by RONALD F. DISERENS.

\* First peal of Major.

LEEDS, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

### A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 20 cwt. in E.

REGINALD E. LAMBERT .. Treble	CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. 5
*ALEC W. FRY .. .. 2	DAVID S. OSENTON .. .. 6
MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 7
CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 4	THOMAS CULLINGWORTH .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.

\* First peal in the method.

STONE, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.

### A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's variation. Tenor 10 cwt.	
*MERYL SIMMS .. .. Treble	ROGER L. HAWKSWORTH .. 5
ERIC YOUNG .. .. 2	† WILLIAM HARRIS .. .. 6
E. MARION KEY .. .. 3	BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. 7
WILLIS BUCKLEY .. .. 4	ALBERT PURSLOW .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

\* First peal of Triples. † First in the method.

A compliment to Willis Buckley on completion of 50 years' service in this tower and his 65th birthday.

QUENBY SURPRISE MAJOR  
x 36 x 14 x 1258 x 1236 x 14 x 58 x 36 x 78  
L.E. 18. 1352. F.C.E.'s 32465, 43265.

THAXTED, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST, OUR LADY AND ST. LAWRENCE.

### A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 15 cwt.	
WILLIAM H. ALEY .. .. Treble	*TREVOR BASSETT .. .. 5
LEONARD J. FOX .. .. 2	JOHN H. CRAMPION .. .. 6
ROBERT C. HEAZEL .. .. 3	DENNIS A. HEWITT .. .. 7
AIDAN ST. J. BOYACK .. .. 4	DENNIS ELLISON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN H. CRAMPION.

\* First peal.

Rung on the eve of Mothering Sunday.

WANDSWORTH, LONDON, S.W.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 3 Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

### A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

*ROBERT T. COOLES .. .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER F. MEW .. .. 5
JEAN L. LAVENDER .. .. 2	†BRIAN H. COATSWORTH .. 6
†MICHAEL J. UPHILL .. .. 3	STEWART F. KIMBER .. .. 7
†LAWRENCE C. WAY .. .. 4	A. PATRICK CANNON .. .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First of Double Norwich. The conductor's 975th peal, conducted 500. First peal of Double Norwich on the bells.

LEYTON, ESSEX.  
THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.  
On Mon., March 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

### A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 12 methods, comprising 640 each of Bristol, London, Rutland and Watford, and 320 each of Cambridge, Ealing, Lincolnshire, Lindum, Pudsey, Superlative, Wembley and Yorkshire; with 139 changes of method.

Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in A flat.

*NICHOLAS J. DAVIES .. Treble	JOHN C. EISEL .. .. 5
†E. JANE SIBSON .. .. 2	*†DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 6
†DIANA M. LAWLESS .. .. 3	ALAN J. FROST .. .. 7
MARY S. TAYLOR .. .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. IVIN. Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

\* 25th peal together. † First of 12-Spliced. First of 12-Spliced for the Society.

OXFORD.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Tues., March 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EBBE.

### A PEAL OF 5024 BRAUNSTONE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 4 cwt.

HARRY W. BADGER .. .. Treble	EDWARD R. VENN .. .. 5
FREDERICK W. SODEN .. .. 2	CHARLES COLES .. .. 6
BRIAN W. HALL .. .. 3	D. KAY ADKINS .. .. 7
PETER J. HERITAGE .. .. 4	CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. TIPLER (No. 46). Conducted by D. KAY ADKINS.

First peal in the method by all the band except the ringer of the sixth. The ringer of the tenor has now 'circled the tower.'

ASHBY FOLVILLE, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

### A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in G.

MALCOLM E. WADE .. .. Treble	ROLAND H. COOK .. .. 5
ALAN E. HARTLEY .. .. 2	WILLIAM E. LACEY .. .. 6
DENIS A. FRITH .. .. 3	ROBERT E. HARDY .. .. 7
J. BARRY PICKUP .. .. 4	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. .. Tenor

Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES. Conducted by R. KINGSLEY MASON.

First peal of London as conductor.

A compliment to Malcolm E. Wade on his 16th birthday.

DARLINGTON, CO. DURHAM.  
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.  
AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT.

### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 14 lb. in F.

ROHILLA M. COOKE .. .. Treble	THOMAS COOKE .. .. 5
KENNETH ARTHUR .. .. 2	ALAN R. PATTERSON .. .. 6
DENIS A. BAYLES .. .. 3	KENNETH CHEESEMAN .. .. 7
FRED HODGSON .. .. 4	THOMAS M. COX .. .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Rung silent and non-conducted.

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## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

LUPPITT, DEVON.  
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.  
On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 11 240's and 20 extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lb.  
\*GORDON C. GRABB .. .. Treble | LEONARD MARKER .. .. 4  
†ARTHUR W. SAGE .. .. 2 | CARL CHURCHILL .. .. 5  
FREDERICK J. SAGE .. .. 3 | \*WALTER BROOM .. .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK J. SAGE.

\* First peal attempt. † First 'inside.'

CHIGWELL, ESSEX.

THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.  
On Fri., Feb. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-LESS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 9 cwt.  
YVONNE EDWARDS .. .. Treble | NICHOLAS J. DAVIES .. .. 4  
ELIZABETH T. BIRMINGHAM .. 2 | RICHARD O. HUMPHRIES .. 5  
TIMOTHY G. PETT .. .. 3 | ALAN J. FROST .. .. Tenor

Conducted by NICHOLAS J. DAVIES.

Rung on the 21st birthday of Elizabeth Birmingham, with compliments to her and Timothy Pett on their engagement.

DOWNHAM, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.  
On Fri., March 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in four methods: (1 and 2) St. Clement's, (3 and 4) Kent Treble Bob, (5) Cambridge Surprise, (6 and 7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 7½ cwt. in B flat.

\*DIANA B. BELCHAM .. .. Treble | PETER G. BROWN .. .. 4  
JEREMY P. BRANDON .. .. 2 | PETER M. WILKINSON .. 5  
JANE FOSTER .. .. 3 | DAVID E. BELCHAM .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER M. WILKINSON.

\* First peal.

KIRKTHORPE, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Fri., March 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb. in G.  
\*SARAH COLES .. .. Treble | ANTHONY O. SHEARD .. 4  
C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. 2 | †ADRIAN C. BOORMAN .. 5  
DINAH M. BLOW .. .. 3 | JOHN WEAVER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

\* First peal. † First away from cover bell.

HORTON, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in nine methods: (1) Oxford T.B., (2) Kent T.B., (3) Double Oxford and Thelwall, (4) Single Oxford, (5) St. Clement's and Childwall, (6) Double Plain Bob, (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 12½ cwt. in F sharp.

\*WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. Treble | GORDON W. LIMMER .. 4  
†WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM, JUN. .. 2 | \*MICHAEL HATCHETT .. 5  
GILES R. SHEDDEN .. .. 3 | DAVID P. HILLING .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL HATCHETT.

\* 50th peal together. † First in more than one method.

GRANBY, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 12 extents of April Day and 30 of Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb.

JOAN N. CHALLINOR .. Treble | GEORGE A. DAWSON .. 4  
\*JOHN MILLER .. .. 2 | C. RAYMOND LARKIN .. 5  
ROBERT D. MARSH .. .. 3 | †H. GEOFFREY WELLS .. Tenor

Conducted by C. RAYMOND LARKIN.

\* First peal. † First on six bells. First as conductor.

A birthday compliment to Mr. R. Adey, of Gedling; also as a compliment to the mothers of the band.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.  
On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours,  
AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents: two of Cambridge Surprise, three of Plain Bob and one each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor 2 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in F sharp.

G. RONALD EDWARDS .. Treble | ROBERT J. WINSTANLEY .. 4  
RAYMOND BENFIELD .. .. 2 | JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. 5  
RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. .. 3 | DEREK P. JONES .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DEREK P. JONES.

NEWINGTON-NEXT-HYTHE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 9 cwt. 19 lb. in A flat.

LLOYD SWEATMAN .. .. Treble | VIOLET I. E. ROLF .. .. 4  
JOSEPHINE D. HARDY .. .. 2 | JOHN V. RICHARDS .. .. 5  
PETER RICHARDSON .. .. 3 | MARK W. MARSHALL .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MARK W. MARSHALL.

First peal of Minor in the method by all the band except the conductor.

SCALBY, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 1 lb. in A flat.

GEORGE BEECH .. .. Treble | MICHAEL KING .. .. 4  
WILLIAM FAY .. .. 2 | \*STEPHEN WRIGHT .. .. 5  
\*EDWIN P. KING .. .. 3 | BERT SUTTON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BERT SUTTON.

\* First peal of Minor. First peal on the bells.

A compliment to the Vicar (Rev. C. N. Tubbs) and Mrs. Tubbs on the birth of their third son.

WILLOUGHBY-ON-THE-WOLDS, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 7, 1963, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being five extents Plain Bob, 11 Grandsire and 13 Morris' Grandsire.

Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr.

JANE DOWSE .. .. Treble | MARGARET E. CHILTON .. 3  
RUTH BLACKSHAW .. .. 2 | MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 4  
JOHN R. PRATCHETT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. PRATCHETT.

Congratulations to David Michael James and Pamela Wheeler, married this day at Chichester, Sussex.

MONK SHERBORNE, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., March 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 BLUNDERBUS BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (three callings).

Tenor 9 cwt.

BRADLEY MURDUCK .. Treble | PHILIP MURDUCK .. .. 3  
EDDIE COX .. .. 2 | DENBY P. MURDUCK .. .. 4

GEOFFREY K. DODD .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.

First peal ever rung in the method.

MELDRETH, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., March 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.

Tenor 11½ cwt. in F sharp.

\*DAVID BELLIS .. .. Treble | FRANK HARPER .. .. 4  
MISS J. SANDERSON .. .. 2 | JOHN GIPSON .. .. 5  
†BRIAN HORRELL .. .. 3 | DENNIS PEPPER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN GIPSON.

\* First peal. † First of Minor.

Rung on the 25th anniversary of the conductor's first peal.

THURCASTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Syston District.)

On Mon., March 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (four callings).

Tenor 10 cwt. 7 lb.

MARILYN TIPPING .. Treble | CHRISTINE J. HART .. .. 4  
JOHN ANTILL .. .. 2 | MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. 5  
\*DIANE N. MAUBY .. .. 3 | FREDERICK T. BINDLEY .. Tenor

Conducted by MAURICE R. A. KIRK.

\* First peal.

Rung as a farewell compliment to Marilyn Tipping (Mandy), who was leaving for Sherborne St. John on March 17th.

BLANKNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., March 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents each of Kent Treble Bob, Single Court and Single Oxford, and one of Plain Bob.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

\*MRS. MILLCENT SHORT .. Treble | \*HARRY BARNES .. .. 4  
HENRY P. COLLIN .. .. 2 | CHARLES R. MUXLOW .. 5  
WALTER WESTON .. .. 3 | JAMES H. MUSSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.

\* First peal in four methods.

In memoriam Mr. George Scott, Mr. Arthur Dixon and Mr. Stanley E. Bennett, esteemed members of the above Guild.



# LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., March 13, 1964, in 1 Hour and 27 Minutes,  
AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,

## A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE ASTON DOUBLES

Being 42 extents.  
MAURICE A. KIRK .. .. Treble Tenor 2 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb.  
RUPERT A. CLARKE .. .. 2 DAVID F. MOORE .. .. 5  
DAN S. PONT .. .. 3 RICHARD S. MOORE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID F. MOORE.

Fastest peal on the bells.

# SWEPSTONE, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., March 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In five methods, viz.: (1) Cambridge and Ipswich, (2) Beverley, (3) Bourne, (4) Surfleet, (5) Cambridge, (6) Beverley and Surfleet, (7) Cambridge.  
JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. Treble Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb. in G.  
MRS. JILL BELCHER .. .. 2 K. PAUL GILLIVER .. .. 4  
CHRISTOPHER M. STURGESS 3 RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. .. 5  
MICHAEL E. BROWN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

# BARKBY, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being three extents St. Clement's College Bob, three Plain Bob and one St. Clement's and Plain Bob Spliced. Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 27 lb. in E.  
RICHARD A. COBLEY .. .. Treble \*MICHAEL W. BROWN .. .. 4  
MALCOLM D. BARSBY .. .. 2 \*B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. .. 5  
RUPERT A. CLARKE .. .. 3 \*MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by B. STEDMAN PAYNE.

\* 50th tower bell peal together. Quickest peal of Minor on the bells.

Rung in honour of the tenth anniversary of the ordination of the Vicar (Rev. E. W. Bailey).

# GREAT BROMLEY, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In nine methods, being seven 720's: (1) London, (2) Norwich, (3) Ipswich, (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) St. Clement's and Double Oxford Bob, (6) Kent and Oxford T.B., (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 15½ cwt.  
IAN R. PANTON .. .. Treble MICHAEL J. COWLING .. .. 4  
ALICE E. J. LESTER .. .. 2 FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 5  
PETER G. BROWN .. .. 3 PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. F. B. Lufkin.

# HANDBELL PEALS

## MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.

### THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., March 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 9 Minutes.

AT 20, TYTHERINGTON COURT,

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor size 12 in F.

\*FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. 1—2 | PETER J. STANFORTH .. .. 5—6  
\*NEIL BENNETT .. .. 3—4 | ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. 7—8

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW. Conducted by ROBERT B. SMITH.

\* First peal of Surprise on handbells. First of Surprise on handbells for the Guild.

## BISHOPSTOKE, HAMPSHIRE.

### THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., March 12, 1964, in 1 Hour and 57 Minutes,

AT 20, EDWARD AVENUE.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 12 in F.

\*GEOFFREY R. CRISP .. 1—2 | MARGARET CHAPMAN .. .. 5—6  
DAVID J. FORDER .. .. 3—4 | TOM CHAPMAN .. .. 7—8

Composed and Conducted by TOM CHAPMAN.

Umpire: FRANK C. W. KNIGHT.

\* First peal of Major 'in hand.'

**CORSLEY, WILTS.**—On March 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: L. Hawkins 1, Miss S. Porter (first 'inside') 2, E. Norris 3, N. Knee 4, C. White (cond.) 5, R. Holly 6.

**HARWICH, ESSEX.**—On Feb. 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor and St. Clement's: Frances Smith 1, Diane Carter (first in two methods) 2, G. Waterman 3, Gillian Browne (cond.) 4, A. E. Honeywood 5, W. Felgate 6.

**HASLEMERE, SURREY.**—On March 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss K. Pearson 1, F. Bowden 2, Mrs. E. Weatherley 3, J. H. Payton 4, Mrs. F. Bowden 5, C. Pound 6, H. Gauntlett (cond.) 7, M. D. Fuller 8. For Mothering Sunday service, also as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Brian Toms, members of St. Bartholomew's Society on the birth of daughter—grand-daughter for Mr. and Mrs. F. Bowden.

**HAWKHURST, KENT.**—On March 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Harrison (first of Triples) 1, W. Gorrington (cond.) 2, Judy Bowen 3, E. Baker 4, A. H. Kemp 5, L. W. Jarvis 6, S. G. Waters 7, B. Stevens 8. For Matins. And 1,264 Plain Bob Major: B. Stevens 1, Sheila M. Rawlings 2, Judy Bowen 3, E. Baker (first 'inside') 4, L. W. Jarvis 5, A. H. Kemp 6, W. Gorrington 7, S. G. Waters (cond.) 8. First of Major 1, 2 and 3. For Mothering Sunday.

**HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS.**—On March 1st, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: G. E. Bonham 1, Miss J. K. A. Cook 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, A. J. Dacey 4, C. L. Bell 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service. Also on March 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. Dines (first quarter) 1, F. R. Nicholls 2, C. Higgins (first on working bell) 3, C. L. Bell 4, W. Houghton (first 'inside') 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6.

**HOLLOWAY, LONDON.**—At St. Mary's on Jan. 26th, 1,296 Bob Major: Miss M. E. Powell 1, Miss D. A. Deverell 2, A. J. Hampton 3, R. Newman 4, G. A. Parsons 5, W. H. Kiddle 6, W. D. Grainger 7, C. M. Meyer (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On March 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Challinor 1, R. Blackshaw (cond.) 2, J. Dowse 3, D. Barker 4, R. Larkin 5, M. W. Harrison 6. For Evensong on St. David's Day.

# QUARTER PEALS

**HOLT, NORFOLK.**—On March 7th at Gresham's School, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles on handbells: P. N. Mackley 1, N. F. Briggs 2, P. Cattermole (cond.) 3—4, P. S. Royds-Jones 5—6. First quarter by all except conductor and first of the School Society.

**KING'S LANGLEY, HERTS.**—On March 1st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: P. Bedford 1, Miss S. A. Hayward 2, Miss G. M. Brearley 3, R. W. R. Picton 4, D. A. Bedford 5, P. W. Harper 6, K. D. Waples 7, B. M. Barker (cond.) 8. First of Major 3 and 5. For Evensong.

**KINGWESTON, SOMERSET.**—On Feb. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Callow 1, Mrs. L. Crocker 2, C. Gratton 3, F. J. White (cond.) 4, A. Bown 5. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Capt. W. F. Dickinson.

**LECKHAMPTON, GLOS.**—On March 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. J. Newman 1, T. Stephens 2, A. C. Newman 3, A. Pendlebury (cond.) 4, H. Read 5, B. Read 6, D. A. Newcombe 7, H. B. Foll 8. Rung half-muffled by members of the local band in memoriam Mrs. Gladys Mary Homfray, mother of Rev. John Homfray, Curate and bellringer at Leckhampton.

**LOCKING, SOMERSET.**—On Feb. 11th, 1,260 Doubles (two methods): Yvonne Criddle 1, J. Lambard 2, June Legg (cond.) 3, J. Coombs 4, S. Lewis 5, A. Skinner 6. Also on Feb. 28th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Marjorie Legg (cond.) 1, June Legg 2, J. Coombs 3, J. Lambard 4, S. Lewis 5, R. Venn 6.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On March 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Neilson 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, Myrtle Cook 3, H. P. Yates 4, G. Neilson 5, R. P. Brotherton (cond.) 6. For Matins. First in Minor for all except 1, 1,360 April Day and Bob Doubles: Elizabeth Todd 1, A. Neilson (first 'inside') 2, Myrtle Cook 3, H. P. Yates 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, T. C. Uden 6. For Evensong.

**MAIDSTONE, KENT.**—On March 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: P. J. Spice 1, Mrs. T. Cullingworth 2, L. Mannerling 3, T. E. Sone 4, T. Cullingworth 5, F. S. Macey 6, F. Hogan 7, B. Baker 8, B. F. L. Groves (cond.) 9, T. A. Cross 10. For Evensong.

**MARSHAM, NORFOLK.**—On Feb. 22nd, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. P. Crowe 1, Mrs. H. Carter 2, P. Crowe 3, R. Cullington 4, J. Smith (cond.) 5, H. Carter 6, D. Phillips 7, D. Pardon 8. In memory of Walter Charles Medlar, for many years a ringier at this church.

**MILDENHALL, WILTS.**—On Feb. 29th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, St. Simon's, St. Martin's, Plain Bob): J. H. Stanning 1, A. W. Johnson (cond.) 2, R. Mc N. Garrat 3, R. H. Green 4, R. A. G. Inglis 5, C. J. Wright (first quarter) 6. Rung for the Marlborough College Campanological Society.

**NAZEING, ESSEX.**—On March 6th, 1,260 Minor (Kent and Plain Bob): J. Laken 1, A. R. Crowson 2, A. M. Faulkner 3, P. D. Chapman 4, D. A. Hewitt 5, D. Ellisdon (cond.) 6. A 21st birthday compliment to A. R. Crowson.

**NAZEING, ESSEX.**—On Feb. 23rd, 1,272 Minor (Kent T.B. and Oxford T.B.): C. W. Sams 1, F. Whitby 2, R. Hayden 3, W. Aley (cond.) 4, B. G. Burton 5, L. Whitby 6. Rung following the dedication of St. Giles' dual-purpose chapel and hall by the Bishop of Chelmsford.

**NETHERBY, DORSET.**—On Feb. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Tither 1, J. T. Barrett (cond.) 2, J. Davis 3, Mrs. J. Davis 4, J. Davis 5, W. Lewis 6. First quarter 1 and 3. To the Glory of God and for the thanksgiving service for restoration of church floor (preacher, Bishop of Salisbury).

**OLD RADNOR, RADs.**—On March 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Preece (first quarter) 1, Mrs. E. C. Chandler 2, C. Williams 3, R. Preece 4, T. Bound (cond.) 5, T. Pugh 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Reuben Bufton, aged 16 years.

**RINGWOOD, HANTS.**—On March 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. King 1, D. Wilson 2, W. Perrins 3, R. Hoare 4, L. Cobb 5, E. Whitfield 6, W. Cheater (cond.) 7, E. Turner 8. First quarter 1 and 3. Rung for Matins by local band.

**SPROTBOROUGH, YORKS.**—On March 1st, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Miss M. Battam 1, J. Thorley 2, E. Short 3, J. McCluskey 4, H. Wagstaff 5, E. Dallingwater 6, C. Toyne 7, W. E. Critchley (cond.) 8.

**STAMFORD HILL, LONDON.**—At St. Ann's on March 1st, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob): Steven Rowe (first peal, age 10), T. N. J. Bailey (cond.) 2, M. J. Medley 3, Mrs. M. J. Medley 4, E. J. Rowe 5, L. J. Green 6.



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### RETURN THANKS

Mr. J. E. Rootes wishes to take this opportunity to thank all his ringing friends for their messages of 'Get well' during his recent operation. He is now slowly on the mend. 4339

### PERSONAL

And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou has sent. (St. John xvii, 3.)

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

BARTON.—The address of Marcus and Marilyn Barton is now 29, Spencers Road, Maidenhead, Berkshire. 4372

CHILCOTT.—As from Thursday, March 26th, the address of John and Eileen Chilcott will be 14, The Glebe, Hawley, Hampshire. 4367

### HANDBELLS WANTED

WANTED.—Odd handbells, in reasonable condition. D size 8. F sharp size 12 and B size 15.—75, Chapel Lane, Farnborough, Hants. 4341

### MISCELLANEOUS

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual report for 1963 now available 5s., post free. Contains Pitman's Spliced Surprise Major from 7 to 30 methods in full, and 34 other compositions; also commemorative articles on 1,000 peals at Bell Foundry and record peal of Bob Major. Other years available at 2s., post free, as follows: 1962 (23 compositions); 1960 (48); 1959 (51); 1958 (50); 1956 (53); 1955 (44); 1954 (22); 1951-53 (24); 1948-49 (-); 1946-47 (-). £1 for complete set (except 1950, 1957, 1961).—B. G. Warwick, 12, Dorothy Avenue, Glen Hills, Leicester. 4331

PEAL CARDS AND QUARTER PEAL CARDS, minimum 12 in set, price 7s. 6d. post free. For quarter peal cards, second copy written out in style of a peal is essential.—'The Ringing World' Office, Guildford.

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### MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—A.G.M. at Minchad. Easter Monday, March 30th. Service 12 noon. Lunch at Dorrien Restaurant, The Parade, at 1.15 p.m. Names for lunch (8s. 3d.) essential to Mr. D. G. Yeo, Estune, Brockway, Nailsea, Bristol, enclosing a stamped, addressed envelope. Meeting at Parish Hall at 2.30 p.m. Bells available: Minchad (10) at 11.15 a.m. and after meeting, 10.15—11.30 a.m. Carhampton, Selworthy (6). Old Cleeve, Dunster (8). 5.30—7.30 p.m. Porlock, Luccombe, Wootton Courtenay (6). 5.30—8 p.m. Selworthy. 6—8 p.m. Timberscombe (8). St. Audries (5). 6—8.30 p.m. Old Cleeve, 6.30—8.30 p.m. Stogumber (6). Wiveliscombe (8).—G. Salmon, Gen. Sec. 4273

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Annual general meeting, Easter Monday, March 30th. Ringing arrangements: Route 1.—Swaffham Prior (6). 10-11.30 a.m.; Burwell (8). 10.30 a.m.—12.30 p.m.; Chippenham (6). 11.30 a.m.—1 p.m.; Isleham (5). 12 noon—1.30 p.m.; Wicken (5). 1-2.30; Soham (10). 2-4.15. Route 2.—March (6). 10-11.30 a.m.; Doddington (6). 10.30 a.m.—12 noon; Chatteris (6). 11 a.m.—12.30 p.m.; Sutton (6). 11.30 a.m.—1 p.m.; Haddenham (6). 12 noon—2 p.m.; Wilburton (6). 1-3; Stretton (6). 2-4. Service 4.15. Soham, Tea 5 p.m. Soham Church Hall. General business meeting after tea. Tickets for tea 3s. each, with stamped, addressed envelope, from Gen. Sec. Fly (8). Littleport (8) and Sutton towers open after tea. Ringing Masters will be in all towers.—H. S. Peacock 8, Roscrea Terrace, St. John's Street, Huntingdon. 4309

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Easter Monday, March 30th, annual general meeting at Tenterden. Service 12 noon. Applications not later than March 24th first post for luncheon tickets (9s. 6d. each, children of resident members under 14 3s. each, cash with order, please), agenda, details of ringing times at 10 towers to Mr. B. W. May, 'Keithston', Keycol Hill, Bobbing, Sittingbourne, Kent.—P. A. Corby, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4242

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Easter Monday, March 30th, A.G.M. at Worcester. Service at All Saints' 11 a.m. (bells 10 a.m.). Meeting in College Hall at 12.15 p.m. Ringing arrangements: St. John's (8) 2.15—3.30, All Saints' (10) 3—4.30, St. Swithun's (6) 3.30—4.45, Stoulton (6) and Stoulton Campanile (6, tenor 107 lbs.) 1.45—3, Pershore Abbey (8) 2.30—3.30, Upton Snodsbury (6) 2.45—4.15, Crowle (8) 3—4.30, Cathedral (12) 6—7.30, All Saints' 7—8.30. Tea at Deansway Restaurant at 5 p.m. for all who notify me before March 28th.—D. Beacham, Goodiers Lane, Twynning, Tewkesbury, Glos., Gen. Sec. 4285

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Business meeting at 'The Rising Sun', Carter Lane, E.C., on Tuesday, March 31st, at 8.15 p.m. The adoption of revised rules will be voted at this meeting. Practices in April, all commencing 6.30 p.m.: 7th, St. Mary-le-Bow; 14th, St. Andrew's, Holborn; 21st, Southwark Cathedral; 28, St. Paul's Cathedral.—John Chilcott, 14, The Glebe, Hawley, Hants. (Will members please not change of address.) 4366

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Practice meetings at Buckland, April 2nd and May 14th, from 7 p.m. These are arranged to assist learners. Your help appreciated.—G. A. W. 4351

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bath Branch.—Meeting on Saturday, April 4th, at Kelston. Bells (6) 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5.15 p.m. Names for tea, please, by April 1st to Mr. S. Carter, 28, St. Kilda's Road, Oldfield Park, Bath.—Alan Lee, Sec. 4316

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Bridgwater Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Durdley, Saturday, April 4th, Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service (Communion) 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, please.—K. Prime, Branch Sec. 4350

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—Quarterly business meeting, Saturday, April 4th, at Turvey. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Hillson, High Street, Turvey. Special methods: St. Clement's Major and Oxford Bob Triples. 4356

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Grappenhall Branch.—A meeting will be held at Daresbury on Saturday, April 4th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—C. Raddon. 4354

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Annual general meeting, Derby, Saturday, April 4th. Bells available: St. Alkmund's (8), 2-3.15 p.m.; Cathedral (10), 3.15-4.15; St. Peter's (8), 4-4.30 and after meeting. Service, St. Peter's Church, 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea to Mr. A. Mould, 22, Silver Lane, Elvaston, Derby, by Tuesday March 31st.—B. P. Morris, Sec. 4335

DEVON GUILD.—Mid-Devon Branch.—Quarterly meeting, St. Michael's, Teignmouth, April 4th, Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.45. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday to Mrs. Hood, St. Michael's Vicarage, Teignmouth. 4360

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.W. District.—A meeting will be held at Elmdon (6) on Saturday, April 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to G. Blake, Hamlet House, Roydon Hamlet, Harlow, Essex. 4328

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Annual general meeting at Bishop's Stortford on Saturday, April 4th. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and meeting (Water Lane Institute) 5.15. Notice of motion—to amend Rule 3 to enable members of the South Mymms band to be elected as full members of the Association. Names for tea essential to D. H. Kingston, 33, Proctors Way, Bishop's Stortford (Tel.: 2965), by April 1st. Ringing arrangements:

Route 1: Harlow Common (8), 11 a.m.—12.30 p.m.; Hatfield Heath (6), 1.30-3; Hatfield Broad Oak (8), 2-3.30; Thorley (6), 2.30-4 p.m. Route 2: Bengoe (8), 10-11.30 a.m.; Ware (8), 11 a.m.—12.30 p.m.; Widford (6), 1.30-3.30; Little Hadham (5), 2-4 p.m. Route 3: Cottered (5), 10-11.30 a.m.; Great Horwood (6), 11 a.m.—12.30 p.m.; Braughing (8), 1.30-3; Standon (6), 2-3.30; Bishop's Stortford (10) 3-4.15 p.m. Thorley and Bishop's Stortford available after the meeting. 4327

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, April 4th, Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, please, by Wednesday, April 1st, to Mr. E. C. Leigh, 'Holmesdale', Station Road, Edenbridge.—W. H. Dobbie, Hon. Sec. 4321

LADIES' GUILD.—Sussex District.—Meeting changed to Alfriston, April 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Please bring own tea. Further ringing till 8 p.m.—Miss R. Earl, Hon. Sec. 4326

LADIES' GUILD.—Lincolnshire District.—The annual meeting will be held at Stow, on Saturday, April 4th. Bells available at 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15, followed by tea. Names for tea by Tuesday, March 31st, to Miss S. Turner, 9, Old School Lane, Stow, Lincoln.—A. Richardson, Hon. Sec. 4338

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—Meeting at Downham (2.35 to 3.20 p.m.) and Clitheroe (from 3.40 p.m.) on April 4th. Tea 5 p.m. Business to follow. Names for tea to Miss S. Washbrook, 'Halcyon', Whalley Road, Limehouse, Clitheroe.—J. Pilkington. 4358

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.—Meeting at St. Michael's, Aughton, on Saturday, April 4th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Visitors are always very welcome. Names for tea to Mr. R. Larkey, 38, Smithey Lane, Aughton.—D. R. Jones, Hon. Sec. 4339

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Lancaster Branch.—Half-yearly meeting at Lancaster St. Peter's (10 bells) on Saturday, April 4th, from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. R. Rainford, 23, Golgotha Road, Lancaster.—P. Handley, Branch Sec. 4363

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Nomination meeting at Rothwell on Saturday, April 4th. Bells (8) available 3.30 p.m. Names for tea essential, please, by previous Tuesday to Mr. T. W. Strangeway, 21, Haigh Avenue, Rothwell, Leeds. 4362

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual general meeting in Leicester, April 4th. Ringing arrangements: Humberstone (6), 1.30-3 p.m.; All Saints' (8), 1.30-3; Cathedral (12), 3-4.10; St. John's (10), 2-3.30 p.m. (St. Margaret's not available). Service in Cathedral 4.15. Tea 5 p.m., followed by meeting in Alderman Newton's Boys' Dining Centre (21, St. Martin's—adjacent to Cathedral). Names for tea (limited to 140) must be sent to Mrs. P. J. Staniforth, 150, Narborough Road South, Leicester (Tel.: Leicester 823140), by April 1st. No name no tea.—B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4330

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern Branch.—A striking competition for towers in the Branch will be held at St. Andrew's Church, Billingborough, Saturday, April 4th, at 2.30 p.m. Tea 5.30, followed by open ringing until 9 p.m. All welcome at tea, but names essential by Wednesday previous to Mr. L. P. Wilson, 40, Grosvenor Road, Billingborough, Sleaford, Lincs. 4317

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Saturday, April 4th. Ringing at All Saints' Church, West Ham (Church Lane)—5 mins. from Stratford Broadway Station). 3-4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Ringing at West Ham after meeting till 8 p.m.—V. E. Dupré, Hon. Sec. 4369

NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.—Meeting on Saturday, April 4th, at Norton (8). Bells 3 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30 p.m. Names for tea to L. Shenton, 35, Spragg House Lane, Norton-le-Moors, Stoke-on-Trent, by Wednesday, April 1st.—G. C. Beech, Hon. Sec. 4365

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Saturday, April 4th. Chenies. Ringing 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Please send names by March 31st. Single Court Minor, Double Plain Bob.—Miss Hague, 6, Stompits Road, Holyport, Maidenhead. 4340



**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—Monthly meeting, Stoke Goldington on April 4th. Bells (6) from 6 p.m.

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Rutland Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Gretton, Saturday, April 4th. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to W. C. A. Clark, Middle Street, Wing.

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guilsborough Branch.—Meeting, Yelvertoft, Saturday, April 4th. Names by Tuesday previous to J. E. Goddard, 45, Station Road, Long Buckby, Rugby. 4364

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Thrapston Branch.—Meeting at Twywell, Saturday, April 4th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to F. E. Coales, The Gables, Twywell, Kettering. 4349

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.**—Quarterly meeting, April 4th at Solihull. Bells (10) available 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea (followed by meeting) 5 p.m. Names for tea by April 1st, please.—G. E. Fearn, Hon. Sec., 92, Etwell Road, Birmingham 28. Phone SPR 1025. 4357

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devises Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Trowbridge (12), Saturday, April 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting. North Bradley (8) from 6.30 p.m. Names to A. Knight, 6, Southwick Road, North Bradley, Trowbridge. 3980

**SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Monthly meeting, Carlton-juxta-Snaith, Saturday, April 4th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Please provide own food, cups of tea only available.—L. M. Woodhead, Hon. Sec.

**SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Meeting at Wath, Saturday, April 4th. Thrybergh bells 2.15 till 3.15 p.m. Wath bells from 3.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss S. Crossley, 48, Church Street, Wath-on-Dearne, near Rotherham, by April 2nd, please.—J. Seager, Sec.

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Annual meeting, April 4th at Southwell. Bells (12) from 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5 for those notifying Mr. F. W. Midwinter, 19, Clarke Avenue, Newark, by April 1st. Business meeting follows tea.—W. L. Exton, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4344

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—Quarterly meeting at Cowfold (6), transferred from Worth, Saturday, April 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., only for those who notify, by Wednesday, April 1st, Mrs. E. L. Hairs, Norman Cottage, Groombridge, Tel. 438.

**SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Central District.—Quarterly meeting, Llanfagan, April 4th. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea (at 3s. each) and meeting to follow at Royal Oak Inn, Pencelli. Names for tea, please, to M. R. Thomas, 7, Wheat Street, Brecon. 4342

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Andover District.—Quarterly meeting, April 4th. Thruxton. Bells (6) 2 to 4 p.m. Tea, Andover Parish Room, 4.30 p.m. Service afterwards. Andover (8) and Goodworth Clatford (6) after tea. Names to Mrs. T. Tarrant, 134, Corunna Main, Andover. 4373

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chertsey District.—Combined practice at Ottershaw on Wednesday, April 8th. Bells (6) available from 7 p.m. All welcome. 4361

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Special meeting, Clun, April 11th. Bells (8) 2.15 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. It is essential that I receive names for tea (2s. 6d.) by April 7th.—G. T. Cousins, The Flat, Police Station, Ross-on-Wye.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Eastern District.—Annual meeting at Diss (8) on Saturday, April 11th, at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Palgrave (8) in evening. Names for tea by Wednesday, April 8th, to Miss A. Lester, 40, Stowmarket Road, Needham Market, Ipswich. 4352

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, April 11th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea by the 8th to Mr. A. F. Boyce, The Lodge, Hoveton, Norwich, NOR 37Z.—C. Bird, Hon. Sec. 4336

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS

### PRELIMINARY NOTICE

The second session of the 25th Council (67th annual meeting) will be held in Truro on Whitsun Tuesday, May 19th, 1964.

**NOTICES OF MOTION (Rule 14).**—Notices of motion signed by two members of the Council must be received by the secretary by April 7th.

E. A. BARNETT,

Honorary Secretary.

26, Iron Mill Lane,  
Crayford, Kent.

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Towcester Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Easton Neston on April 11th. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to Mrs. P. Brangwyn, Hulcote, Towcester.—W. A. Bates. 4370

**STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.**—A striking competition will be held at Bushbury, near Wolverhampton, on Saturday, April 11th. Draw at 3 p.m. Those requiring light refreshments afterwards, kindly being laid on by Bushbury ringers, should, please, send their names to Mr. M. R. Buckham, 17, Lauderdale Gardens, Bushbury, near Wolverhampton, by Wednesday, April 8th, latest.—C. M. S., Hon. Sec. 4346

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting, Stroud, April 25th, 2.15 p.m. Tea, 4s. to be paid in advance to Mr. R. Nicholas, 4, Blue Boys Park, Minchinhampton, Stroud, Glos. at 4.30 p.m. Association service, address by the Lord Bishop of Gloucester, at Stroud, 6 p.m. Towers open: Standish, Bisley, Stroud, Stonehouse, Woodchester, Painswick and Eastington. Nominations for Master and notice of motions for agenda before March 28th. Meeting at Church Rooms, tea at Premier Hall, Stroud.—Charles Rouse, Hon. Sec., 42, Brookfield Road, Churchdown, Glos. 4324

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Annual general meeting, Leyland, April 25th. Towers available: Bilsborrow (8), Adlington (8), Whittle-le-Woods (8), from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Samlesbury (8), Penwortham (8), from 1 to 3; Leyland St. James' (6), Leyland St. Andrew's (10) (Leyland Parish Church), from 3 to 4.30 and after meeting. It would be desirable if local ringers could be in attendance to meet visitors. Service to be held in St. Andrew's Church, Leyland, at 4.30. Preacher: The Rev. R. D. St. John Smith, T.D., M.A., B.D. Tea 5 p.m. (3s. 6d.) in St. Andrew's Church Hall. Names, together with money, to Mr. L. Walmsley, Leyland Motors Ltd., Leyland, by Friday, April 17th. Tower Secretaries are asked to make block orders for their towers and to send a stamped, addressed envelope with their request. Meeting to follow at approximately 5.45 p.m. in St. Andrew's Church, Hall. 4347

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## LATE NOTICE

**DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION (Northern District) & LADIES' GUILD (North Eastern District).**—Annual general meeting on Saturday, April 4th, at All Saints', Gosforth, 3 p.m. start. Names for tea to Miss G. Douglas, 5, Ross Way, Red House Farm Estate, Gosforth, Newcastle-on-Tyne 3.

## OBITUARY

### MR. ALFRED HITCHENS

Former captain and a ringer at Ludgvan, Cornwall, for 54 years, Mr. Alfred Hitchens died on March 9th, aged 72. He was taken ill the previous evening on returning from church, which he loyally served, also as sidesman and a member of the P.C.C. For 49 years he was in railway service on permanent way engineering department, retiring seven years ago.

The funeral was conducted by the Rector (Canon R. de'C. Murley), and a large number attended, including his only son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hitchens, Mr. W. C. Osborne (local captain), Mr. R. J. Hosking and the Rev. A. S. Roberts (chairman, Penzance Branch of the Truro Guild). His son is also a ringer at Ludgvan and on the railway, being in the signalbox at Penzance.

## MORE BELFRY GOSSIP

A graceful acknowledgment of the quarter peal card of Grandsire Caters, rung at Rotherham after the assassination of President Kennedy, has been received by Mr. Norman Chaddock from Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy's private secretary.

The tower ringing side of the Twickenham and Richmond Musical Festival was broadcast on the B.B.C. Home Service on March 16th. Dr. Neal Smith, W. G. Wilson (the adjudicator) and F. W. Goodfellow were interviewed and there was also ringing. Hillingdon were the winners.

Mr. Alan Paton, who had done so much to get a local band to ring rounds at the service of rededication of Micheldean, Forest of Dean, bells (8) on March 14th, was in hospital when the ceremony took place. All present send him their best wishes for a speedy recovery.

On March 12th boys and old boys of Rotherham Grammar School again rang the bells of the Parish Church prior to the annual Founders' Day service. Grandsire Doubles on the back six and call changes on the back seven were rung. Due to the intervention of chicken-pox the band unfortunately met one short. However, there were several favourable comments on the ringing, by listeners. All the ringers except one (from Thrybergh) learnt their ringing at Rotherham.

At the suggestion of the Vicar, an ancient peal board from the tower of St. Mary's, Eastbourne, has recently received the attentions of a professional picture restorer. He has revealed the somewhat dingy figure of a Muse at the head of the board to be in rich colours. Dated 1818, the peal commemorated is of 'Mr. Jno. Holt's Grandsire Triples' by the Brighton Society of Change Ringers. Members of the congregation will be able to inspect the results of the excellent restoration, before the plaque is returned to its place on the belfry wall.

## HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

### Northern District

A successful meeting of the Northern District was held on March 7th at St. Nicholas', Stevenage. Because of a wedding, ringing did not begin until 4 p.m. The Rev. E. A. Gaskell conducted a service, with Mr. S. Boorman at the organ, and an excellent tea was provided by the Misses Smith, of Stevenage Bury—free.

With Dr. Gullick in the chair, the business meeting was held, and the following were elected members: Messrs. L. Cooper and S. J. Gullick (Stevenage), and the Misses K. Anderson, K. Harding and C. Walms (Hitchin). A report was given of the General Committee meeting, and arrangements for the A.G.M. on April 4th, centred on Bishop's Stortford. Local arrangements were that there should be two practice evening meetings at St. Ippolys and at Wallington in May and June, with the next quarterly meeting at Knebworth in July.

As the Bishop's Stortford District was unwilling to nominate anyone for the office of president for the coming year, the General Committee has recommended Mr. W. Critchley of Knebworth. His election would mean that the Northern District had supplied two consecutive presidents. J. S.



## QUARTER PEALS

**ORMESBY, MIDDLESBROUGH.**—On March 9th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: A. Crosby 1, Anne Lawson (first quarter) 2, Mrs. L. Warrior 3, Mrs. M. Lawson 4, W. Elleritage 5, P. Wishart 6, T. Cox 7, K. Lawson (cond.) 8. For Confirmation service.

**OXFORD.**—At St. Ebbe's Church on Feb. 23rd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: N. I. Allnatt (cond.) 1, A. T. Adams 2, F. W. Soden 3, H. W. Badger 4, C. Coles 5, P. J. Heritage 6, A. R. Pink 7, A. Cornish 8. For Evensong. Also at St. Thomas the Martyr's Church on Feb. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Alison J. Macfarlane 1, G. R. Mordaunt 2, P. H. P. Harris 3, P. J. Crane 4, B. Wakefield (cond.) 5, J. M. Preston 6.

**PUTNEY, LONDON.**—On March 1st, 1,280 Double Norwich C.B. Major: Ruth Carr 1, R. Cooles 2, A. R. Millidge 3, B. H. Coatsworth 4, Alison M. Mann 5, D. C. Brookes 6, B. J. Bull 7, C. F. Mew (cond.) 8. First in the method for all the band. For Evensong on St. David's Day.

**RINGWOOD, HANTS.**—On Feb. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Mary E. Elmes 1, Christine Mould 2, Judith A. Robertson 3, M. J. Young 4, E. G. Mould 5, G. W. Elmes 6, R. G. W. Robertson (first of Plain Bob Triples as cond.) 7, J. W. Blackwood 8. First of Plain Bob Triples by all except 3 and 7.

**STEDHAM, SUSSEX.**—On Feb. 29th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: K. A. Tipper 1, D. J. White 2, K. Sansom 3, Mary White 4, D. A. Kirk 5, A. V. Queen (cond.) 6. Believed to be the first quarter on the bells.

**SIDBURY, DEVON.**—On March 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: K. Clarke 1, Mrs. Y. L. Woodley 2, G. Betts 3, R. C. Woodley (cond.) 4, A. Chown 5, C. C. Turner 6, B. F. Coles 7, A. Clarke 8. A birthday compliment to the Rev. F. W. Moore.

**SILSOE, BEDS.**—On Feb. 16th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): T. R. Lett 1, D. R. Brazier 2, T. P. Harris (cond.) 3, T. R. Harris 4, G. M. Pickwell 5, D. Eddy (first quarter) 6. For visit of Bishop of St. Albans to Evensong.

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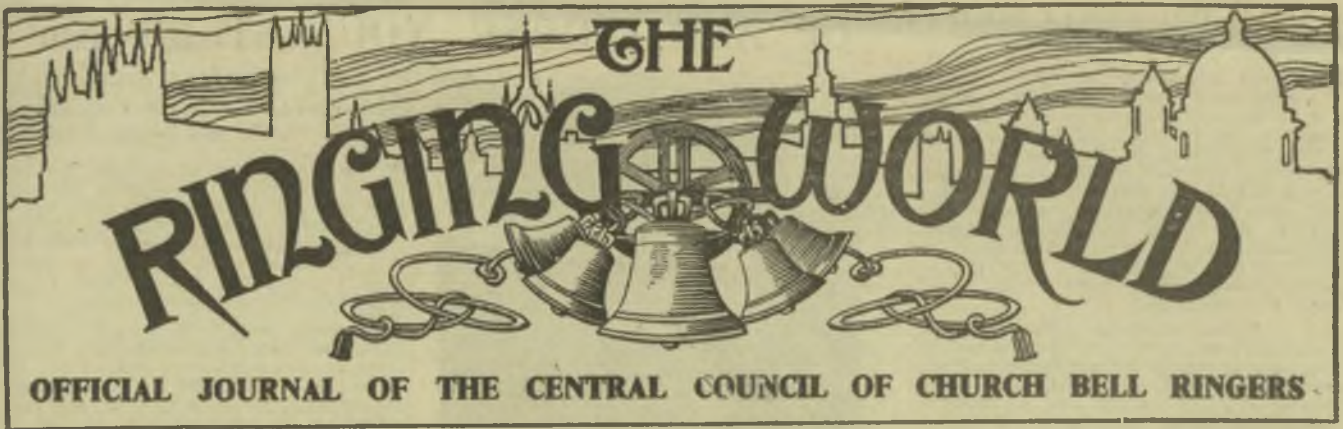
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## BREAK THAT SILENCE!

**T**HERE must be times when most of us can recall passing by one of the unringable towers in the county where we live, and listened whilst members of the party advanced their various theories or gave statements of fact on why the bells were no longer heard.

Perhaps they are quite unringable after years of neglect, and what man started the birds and the elements continued, guaranteeing between them an effective silence.

Worse still, perhaps the bells are unringable by repute. Dark hints are made, although memories are a little hazy now, about the vicar in 1930, or was it 1932?, who pronounced the tower unsafe, stopped the ringing, and locked the belfry against all comers.

Another opinion blamed the architect, who didn't like bells anyway and had persuaded the vicar that a silent tower was preferable to a cracked one. Since then the ropes had rotted, the bells had received scant attention, and the present incumbent thought sympathetic was not really enthusiastic about a major overhaul when the cost of renovation was known.

And so the stories continued.

Whatever the reasons for silent towers there is plenty we can do in our own small ways to prevent the list being added to, for the quotation 'Prevention is better than cure' is never more apt than it is to this context. The question needs tackling partly at diocesan and partly at branch level, where group action can be most effective. Any keen branch member knows his towers; he can say where bands are good, bad, or non-existent, and it's common knowledge which towers have casual bands that ring only at festivals, or those which ring outside the local Association.

Whatever the state of ringing in the towers concerned, monthly practice meetings should be the golden rule in branches wherever possible, so that all towers are visited with reasonable regularity. Although the tendency in some Associations is to hold quarterly meetings only, this leads to the temptation to tour the 8-bell towers, with only rare visits to the sixes. Generally speaking, visits to the more outlying towers can be measured in years, which gives time for radical changes to occur.

I even call to mind a visit last year to a meeting where the Vicar welcomed the Association in question for the first time in 25 years! This is just not common sense, apart from being a bad advertisement for an Association. Regular meetings should be an accepted fact in branches, not an event so unusual that the W.I. and the Mothers' Union turn out in force to provide a free tea!

Sometimes arguments are put forward that this or that tower is not a member of the Association and therefore should not be visited. This is surely a very negative outlook especially if the bells at the tower are usually silent. An Association has a duty territorially as well as to its own towers if it has the interests of the Exercise at heart. Who knows what might result from a meeting of this sort? It could rekindle interest if there were the remnants of a band left in the village; better still, it might even produce recruits. And it would show that the Association **cared** about the tower. Far more important, at least the bells would be rung sometimes, the link between the Association and the incumbent would be retained, and those who live there reminded that the village possesses a ring of bells.

In these days of changing population a tower too long silent can be very difficult to reclaim. There are all too many people who move from town to country who consider bells an unnecessary nuisance, even on Sundays. What can be better ammunition to bolster their phone calls of protest to the Rector than the argument, 'I've never heard this row in the three years I've lived here—you must stop it!' Yes, we as ringers may trot out the old argument about the bells being there first, but you have to ring them regularly to prove your point!

Provided local branches do their share to save towers from silence, should the Association as a whole take any action? It seems to me that at this level the study should be concentrated on bells said to be unringable, or quoted as such. A small committee might well be set up to ascertain the true facts. An organised survey, deputed to responsible branch officials, might well produce some surprising results, and not least provide an up-to-date answer to the questions, why are the bells unringable and could they be put right without a major overhaul? Obviously a survey of this sort would pose many problems, but it would be worth the effort.

My last word is again to the thousands of ordinary branch members up and down the land. Don't ignore silent towers. Go there for meetings, go there for quarter peals, and, if you can, arrange to take a band over to ring for Sunday service now and again. I have found from my own experiences in each case that the welcome has been warm, the pleasure expressed at hearing the bells genuine, and the feeling that in your own small way you are contributing something towards the aims and objects of the Exercise a most rewarding one indeed.

'COUNTRYMAN.'



## LONDON UNIVERSITY SOCIETY AT DINNER

**R**INGERS turned out in force and converged on the centre of London on Feb. 15th for the ringing preceding the 19th annual dinner of the University of London Society. Of the towers open St. Lawrence Jewry and Bow proved the most popular, where few of us managed to ring more than once, and we even considered auctioning the ropes when members and friends (and yet more friends) kept turning up in never-ceasing convoy! The new Mears bells were well rung for all that and a fairly wide range of touches was brought round without mishap.

So to dinner, where our numbers dropped dramatically to just over 70! When the food, suitably punctuated with wine, had been enjoyed, our president, Philip Gray, proposed the toast of 'The Queen,' after which he introduced the guests, representing the Church, the Ancient Society of College Youths, the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths and the University Societies of Bristol, Cambridge, Manchester and Oxford. He expressed his regret that Mr. A. A. Hughes, who was originally responsible for our association with St. Olave's, Hart Street, and Canon Mortlock, Rector of St. Vedast's, Foster Lane, were not able to be present.

'The Church' was proposed by Dennis Layton, a long-standing member of the Society (in more ways than one), who ably discussed the Church's position to-day—her needs as well as her many and great qualities.

The Rev. Powell Miller, former Rector of St. Olave's, replied, illustrating with personal experiences the numerous changes which have altered the Church during the last half-century. He mentioned in particular a noticeable decrease in the length of sermons (could this have been a gentle hint to remaining speakers?).

Having hastily rewritten his speech, Alan Thirst proposed 'The Visitors.' A warm welcome was extended to Jack Phillips (Master, College Youths), Dennis Beresford (Master, Cumberland Youths), Rev. Powell Miller and Rev. Maurice Dean and other guests. A special welcome was made to Captain Marybelle Nissly, from U.S.A., who did a great deal in starting the U.S.A.F. handbell band. The Universities Societies were tactfully welcomed in alphabetical order, including Sheffield University, which was also represented. He referred favourably to the Cambridge University Guild's recent publication and advised Andrew Hudson not to be too concerned about 'one of our members' controversial review of it.

In his reply, Mr. E. F. P. Bryant, Master of the Manchester University Society, took up the point of ringing publications and suggested that such works as 'Stedman,' 'Ropesight' and others so greatly needed by the Exercise and now, sadly, out of print, should be reprinted and further works added.

We then decided it was high time somebody proposed our Society. Roger Ashmore, Master of the Oxford University Society, nimbly stepped into the breach and, while not entirely forgetting the Oxford University Society, ably fulfilled his commission.

Alan Frost replied, mentioning several of the more outstanding peals rung by the Society since the last dinner, including the all-ladies' peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major rung that morning and conducted by Miss Dianna M. Lawless. In addition to ringing accomplishments, he noted that Cupid had not been much in evidence during last year's hard winter but that the mild winter this year appeared to have lured him forth. We are contemplating our summer tour with some interest!

## UP AND COMING YOUNGSTERS—No. 15

MICHAEL J. FELLOWS

Worcestershire and Districts Association and  
Dudley and District Guild



The happy smile of probably the youngest Guild Master in the country, Michael who was born on December 3rd, 1947, was elected Master of the Dudley and District Guild of Change Ringers in September, 1963, when he was 16 years of age. He lives at Stourbridge and is at present a pupil at King Edward VI Grammar School in that town.

His home tower is St. Thomas', Stourbridge, where his father and brother are ringers and here he was taught to handle a bell in 1958 by F. V. Nicholls. He rang his first peal in November, 1959, and to date has rung 123 of which he has conducted 24. His list includes three peals of Cambridge Maximus and three of Stedman Cinques. For encouragement and opportunities for peal ringing he is especially grateful to Clifford Skidmore, George E. Fearn and Geoffrey Hemming.

Michael is a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths and his ambition is to ring a peal on what he regards as the finest 12 in the country—in Worcester Cathedral, his favourite method is London Surprise Major.

With such a promising start and leadership conferred upon him so early in life, many will watch his graduation and hope to see him take his place as a worthy fellow of the Exercise.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

North and East District Visit  
Willesden

Following an enjoyable hour's ringing on the bells of St. Andrew's, Kingsbury, the North and East District met at Willesden on March 14th for their monthly meeting.

The Rev. G. C. Oakley, Vicar and Rural Dean, conducted the service and gave a short but inspiring address, with bells as his theme. It was a great thrill, he said, to hear the sound of a bell when he was trudging through the jungle in Borneo in the early days of his ministry, to find later that it was only a piece of metal or railway line suspended from a tree being struck with a piece of wood by a native. The tone, however, was mellow and reminded him of home.

At the business meeting the provisional election of Mrs. Margaret D. Woolley and Miss Sara K. D. Woolley, of Bushey Heath, as non-resident life members was ratified. The treasurer and assistant secretary of the Association arrived in time for tea and were congratulated on their success in the tower bell contest held that afternoon at Isleworth in conjunction with the Twickenham Music Festival.

Mr. H. G. Hart proposed a vote of thanks for the Rev. G. C. Oakley and the Rev. F. G. Springfield (Kingsbury) for the use of their bells; to Mr. Cleverley for accompanying at the organ, and to Mrs. Golding and her helpers for providing an excellent tea. Thanks were also extended to Mr. A. Cutler (Willesden) and Mr. G. Ellis (Kingsbury) for having everything in readiness at the respective towers.

Ringing continued in a variety of methods until 9 p.m. Perhaps the most conspicuous touch was one in which each rope was in the hands of a member of the fairer sex.

E. J. K.

In conclusion, Captain Marybelle Nissly expressed her thanks to the Society and to the English ringers who have agreed to ring the bells of Washington Cathedral on Ascension Day at the dedication of the Gloria in Excelsis tower.

We extend sincere thanks to Miss Pauline Fennell and all the other overworked members who made the 19th annual dinner such a great success.  
A. G. T./B. G. D.

## BELFAST GIRL RINGER DESIGNS CHURCH WINDOW

Secretary of the ringers at St. Thomas' Church, Belfast, is Miss Patricia Robinson, a 20-year-old student at Belfast College of Art.

Patricia is studying stained glass window designs and her fellow ringers were always asking her when she was going to do a window for the church.

Eventually, she submitted a design for the window which was approved by the Bishop, the Select Vestry and, of course, the Society of Bellringers. The window portrays St. Paulinus, a bishop in Italy, who presented the first bell to the Christian Church. The phoenix at the bottom is a symbol of the early Church.

Patricia says: 'I prepared the window and I was offered help by the bellringers to instal it in the belfry. But one day, assisted by Elizabeth Stanley, who was home on vacation from the Royal College of Music in London, I put it in myself. Elizabeth and I just thought we would show the boys what we could do!'

Next term she is making a tour of English cathedrals to pick up ideas about stained glass designs. Among the dozen cities she will be visiting are York, Coventry and Canterbury.

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## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD North Dorset Branch

Appropriately the quarterly meeting of the North Dorset Branch on March 14th was at Sturminster Newton, as it was here 40 years ago that the Branch was formed, the actual date being February 16th, 1924. A quarter peal was rung by founder members on Feb. 22nd to commemorate the occasion.

The Vicar (Canon C. S. Green) welcomed 34 ringers, including visitors from Somerton and Dorchester, and conducted the Guild service.

Tea at the Red Rose Cafe was followed by the business meeting, at which six new ringing members were elected and one honorary member. The ringing members were Messrs. F. Write and R. Parker, Mrs. D. Crocker and Miss J. Crocker from Somerton, and T. Bleathman, Okeford Fitzpaine. The honorary member elected was Mr. W. Lodder, Belchalwell. Proficiency certificates were awarded to D. Corben and A. Frampton.

Notice was given of the Guild festival at Marlborough on May 9th, and of the joint meeting with the Ilchester Branch of the Bath and Wells Association at Trent on May 2nd. A proposed Branch outing to West Dorset and East Devon towers on September 5th was also discussed.

Standard methods up Cambridge were rung and ringing also took place at Durweston after the meeting.

## BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

Very heavy rain affected the attendance at the Beverley and District Society's meeting at Kirk Ella on March 14th; nevertheless, 41 ringers had an enjoyable afternoon and evening, and were warmly welcomed by the Vicar, Rev. J. C. H. Wilson.

A new appointment in his native Lincolnshire has unexpectedly deprived the Society of the services of Mr. Harold Gibson, Assistant Ringing Master, after he had been elected to that office the previous month. His letter of resignation included a proposal for his successor to be Miss Janet Porter (Sutton), who was elected to fill the vacancy.

Five new members were elected—from North Ferriby (2), Kirk Ella, Tadcaster and York Minster.

Next meeting (provisional): Hedon, May 16th. K. K.

## DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Chesterfield District

Although March 14th was obviously the start of the monsoon season, this did not deter representatives from over half the towers in the District, together with visitors from as far apart as Nottingham and Crewe, attending the first meeting of the Chesterfield District to be held at Wingerworth.

After a conducted tour of the new extensions, which when completed will have trebled the seating capacity of the church, a wide variety of Doubles methods was rung in spite of the rather long rope draught of this pleasant five. Following tea, which was appreciated even more than usual, the company made their various ways through the rain to North Wingfield, where the 17 cwt. octave was put to good use.

At the business meeting members paid tribute to the memory of Mr. R. W. Blythe, of Wingerworth, a ringer for over 60 years. The District chairman, Mr. D. Cooper, concluded the meeting with a hearty vote of thanks to the clergy, local ringers and to the lay reader at Wingerworth, Mr. F. Shaw, for his conducted tour of the new extensions.

Next meeting: District outing to Association A.G.M., April 4th. M. P. P.

## LAKE DISTRICT SECRETARY RETIRES



MR. N. M. NEWBY

The resignation was received with regret at the annual meeting of the Furness and Lake District Branch, held at Dalton-in-Furness on March 14th, of Mr. N. M. Newby as hon. secretary, a position he has held with great faithfulness for 27½ years. Mr. Newby proposed as his successor Mr. Thomas F. Metcalfe, of 29, Station Road, Flookburgh. No other nominations were received and Mr. Metcalfe was elected.

The Ringing Master, Mr. J. Bagnall, presided and many members spoke in appreciation of Mr. Newby's work. The hope was expressed that Mr. Newby would still be active for many years to come.

The votes of thanks included good wishes to the Vicar of Dalton for his speedy recovery, the service being abandoned because of his illness.

## THIRD BRISTOL FESTIVAL

A big feast of ringing is promised by the third Bristol Festival to be held on Saturday, May 30th, when 25 towers will be open. The other two festivals have been attended by 150-180 ringers: a warm welcome awaits visitors this year.

The ringing arrangements are: 12 noon, Cathedral service conducted by the Dean; 1 p.m. buffet luncheon, Hawthorn's Hotel; 7.30 p.m., social gathering, University Senior Common Room. It is hoped to arrange visits to the Cathedral central tower to see the old 10-bell frame, which now contains four bells and also to the University tower which houses the 94-ton clock bell, 'Great George.'

Ringing programmes will only be issued with lunch tickets (7/6 each) and these are obtainable from D. J. Hunt, 58, Gordon Avenue, Whitehall, Bristol. This is being introduced to enable those to attend lunch to have a fair chance of ringing at all the towers available.

## OBITUARY

### MR. F. E. CORFIELD

Ringers in South West London, and at Wimbledon particularly, will regret the passing of Mr. Frank Corfield on March 12th at the early age of 57.

Having undergone two major operations he had been prevented from ringing for the last few years but kept closely in touch with all activities.

He was by profession an architect and surveyor and after the war he left his native Alsager, in Cheshire, to take a post with the War Damage Commission in London, where he became chief assessor.

On coming to live in Wimbledon in 1951 he soon endeared himself to the ringers at the Parish Church and by his constant zeal and patient encouragement he helped to build a strong local band who became prominent in the quarter peal columns in the mid-fifties.

He was always ready to give assistance to any struggling tower and was a most accomplished conductor. He will be remembered most perhaps for his ever-ready wit, which did much to foster joy and good fellowship with all who came in contact with him.

We extend our deepest sympathy to his wife, Alice, and thank God for his devoted service to our art.

A quarter peal was rung in his own tower on March 22nd and particulars appear on another page. J. T.

## Harry Stalham Commemorated

Behind the peal commemorating the late Harry Stalham who died on November 29th, W. A. Riddington tells an interesting story.

A few days before his death, the writer paid a visit to Harry and found him sitting comfortably in his chair smoking his beloved pipe. Talk naturally revolved around bells, ringing and peals, and Harry said: 'Let's make it Double Norwich on March 17th. Time we rang Norwich for my birthday.' The request was followed by a promise, but it was only two nights later that the news that Harry had left for good was received.

The promise was not forgotten, and it was duly honoured by ringing an almost perfect and beautifully struck peal of Double Norwich.

As the homing courses came up, I thought of the profound joy it would have given the Sussex veteran and of his verdict, "Splendid peal." Yes, we did this long-standing personality of Sussex ringing real proud in commemorating his 91st birthday. As we left the church, Mr. H. Stalham, junior, was waiting to say "Thank you" to all those who took part. A nice gesture.

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# Letters to the Editor

## Peals and Membership

Dear Sir,—I agree with some points made by Mr. David Bennett on this subject and deplore the attitude of Associations which try to make money out of visiting ringers.

Mr. Bennett is, however, adrift with his finances because if a non-resident ringer made a contribution of 6d. for each people he rang he would, if the peal was published in a report, cost the Association a little over 6d. for each peal.

The cost of printing peals in the annual report of the Derby Diocesan Association is approximately one shilling for each name and this is the peal fee for that Association. This is not a rule but a gentleman's agreement.

Each year a N.R.L.M. rings a peal for the Association his name, address and peal total is published, and this entails a further cost which I assess would be adequately covered by a life subscription of 2s. 6d.

Because of this I have proposed an alteration to rule, which would reduce the N.R.L.M. subscription to 2s. 6d. This proposition will appear at the A.G.M., and since the Derby Association is a lively and progressive body I think the proposition will be carried.

On the other matter we, in this area, accept peals rung by visiting bands for our Association as the compliments that they are intended to be.—Yours, etc.,

D. R. CARLISLE.

Risley, Derby.

P.S.—I think the Washington selection is excellent.—D. R. C.

## Bisley Peal

Dear Sir,—When a peal of Belvedere Surprise Major was recently rung at Bisley, near Stroud, Glos, the local ringers who met us were of the opinion that there had not been a peal on the bells since 1920. Consequently the peal was claimed as the first on the bells for 44 years. It has since been pointed out to me that there was a peal of London rung there on September 5th, 1938, by a touring band and conducted by C. Ernest Smith.

It might interest readers to learn that this is a ground floor ring which was originally a 'six.' When the two trebles were added they were hung in a completely separate chamber at the base of the spire, about 12 feet above the old 'six' and with a floor cutting them off. As a result it was literally impossible to hear them inside and it was just like ringing six bells with wide gaps. However, a week before our visit a very efficient amplifying system was installed. A microphone was fed through to the 'trebles chamber' and a loudspeaker with adjustable sound control hung high in the ringing chamber. It is now possible to hear all eight perfectly and if you weren't told of the amplifier you would never know the difference.

I would also like to take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar and local ringers for their hospitality in entertaining us in the Vicarage.—Yours faithfully,

D. JOHN HUNT.

Bristol.

## The Washington Selection

Dear Sir,—I was somewhat surprised to read the letter (in the issue of March 20th) from O. D. B., but at the same time I agree with all that was said, as do a good many more ringers.

Apart from the selection of the band (not an enviable task), what has ruffled a good many is the fact that the Washington authorities expect the ringers of this country to find a cool £1,000 for their glorification! If the occasion is so important to them I should have thought it would have been an easy matter to have raised that amount from among their own people. £1,000 could be used to far better advantage in this country.—Yours, etc.,

F. I. HAIRS

Groombridge, Sussex.

## Are not all Lists futile?

Dear Sir,—So far as I am aware there was not intended to be any more honour in being included in a tower grabbers' list than in qualifying for inclusion in a list of peal ringers.

Personal statistics are of very little interest other than to the individual concerned, and that applies to the occasional lists which appear under the title 'Mr. So-and-So's Hundred Peals.'

In that respect, therefore, all lists are literally 'futile,' but that does not mean that they should not be published if space permits.

The instance which Mr. Brown cites of the 'scruffy' ringer who piled up a big score of towers (page 173) may be perfectly true, but the pursuit should not be condemned because of one poor ringer.

Although I would prefer some term other than 'grabbing' or 'snatching,' both of which savour of bad manners, I can quote specific instances where my visits to supposedly 'unringable' towers have been the direct cause of the bells being rung.

I disagree with Mr. Brown that all 'tower grabbing' is futile and, in my opinion, taken in moderation it can be both pleasant and profitable.

Unlike peals which can be checked if one so desires, there is no proof of individual tower totals, although what satisfaction can be derived from cheating or including threes and fours is difficult to imagine.—Yours faithfully,

R. H. DOVE.

## Chilvers Coton's Record

Dear Sir,—May I suggest that the tower of All Saints, Chilvers Coton, Warwickshire, be included in a list of towers where Sunday service ringing has continued without a break since the lifting of the ban after the war? Also, in the recollection of the oldest ringer, the bells have been rung regularly for two services each Sunday as well as on festive occasions since the augmentation from three to eight in 1908 until the ban.

The church was destroyed by enemy action in May, 1941, but the tower and bells escaped. During the restoration two more bells were added, at the expense of the ringers and friends, and the church and bells were dedicated in May, 1947.

The present band of 18 members consists of nine under the age of 21 with the remaining nine over the age of 40. The Vicar, the Rev. R. R. P. Rigby, has frequently expressed surprise and pleasure that such a wide age range has been blended into a loyal and happy band of regular church attenders and communicants.

The standard methods are rung in Triples, Major, Caters and Royal with Surprise Major and Royal.—Yours sincerely,

DOROTHY E. BEAMISH.

## Team Spirit

Dear Sir.—Halesowen, Worcs. band consists of 19 members under their tower captain, Mr. Tom Greenhall. Out of this number a double band of Stedman Triples can be produced. This, to my mind, is a supreme example of team spirit by the band, and patience endured and time given by Mr. Greenhall. What a wonderful example they are putting before us when so many of our church bells are silent through the lack of ringers!—Yours sincerely,

East Brent.

HECTOR G. BIRD.

## Lancashire's Library

Dear Sir,—I must protest most strongly at the tone implied in the last paragraph of the letter by G. B. Thompson (March 13th).

G. B. Thompson should know that the Lancashire Association's library was not placed in our tower from any sense of parochialism but to the 'Glory of God' and in memory of a great ringer, leader of this tower, and one whom G. B. Thompson would do well to emulate.—Yours faithfully,

FRANK BARRACLOUGH.

The Cathedral, Manchester.

## Peals and Associations

Dear Sir.—What a pity Mr. Thompson cannot be a little less spiteful, and a little more charitable, about Guilds and Associations instead of treating us to such a display of childish petulance. What nonsense it is to paint touring bands white and Associations up and down the land black as if each were a race apart, instead of remembering that we are all basically members of some Guild or the other.

Peal tours are organised purely for the enjoyment of those taking part, and long may it be so. However, a touring band will naturally wish to go to the best rings in the area they visit, and no doubt organisers rely to some degree on local Guild officials for help in fixing peals at towers which will give them the most enjoyment. In these circumstances I imagine most bands are quite happy to ring their peals for the Association concerned without any feeling of being 'expected' to. Presumably Mr. Thompson is more concerned about having to pay affiliation fees, but again, most tours concentrate on one or at the most two counties, so it won't cost him much.

Having said that, I agree that touring bands should ring their peals for the Association of their choice; have any tried it yet? It gives a truer picture of an Association's own peal activity, as well as saving space and money on the annual report. How often is a 'first' in the method for the Association' rung by tourists, so that some future resident band is denied the chance of achieving a 'first' themselves?

Peal bands should make some contribution to funds in any case, part from the peal booking fees. After all, the payments to instructors and other aids to ringing in the area for which your correspondent expresses so much concern do not come out of thin air, so why should visitors be exempt?

Mr. Thompson next wonders why peals are credited to Associations at all. Strange as it may seem, some of us are proud of the Association we belong to, and it gives us a great deal of satisfaction to ring a peal for it, especially if it's a good one. Perhaps if you are a prolific peal ringer over a wide area you tend to remember only the quality of the bells and the peals rung, in which case Association boundaries mean nothing at all. The point is understandable but, in my opinion, regrettable. Maybe the layout of peals in 'The Ringing World' could be both economised and improved, but surely not to the extent of draining away all the colour and merely replacing them by a mass of clinical statistics. What real gain is there in that?

In conclusion, if Mr. Thompson leaves the Lancashire Association to regulate its own affairs and takes a little more interest in his own he will be surprised how much good work he can do and it may even cause him to revise his opinions about their worth generally, and wonder how we should carry on without them.—Yours sincerely,

JOHN BRAIN.

Backwell, Somerset.

## Grandsire or Plain Bob?

Dear Sir,—During my many years as a ringer I have attended many ringing meetings and ordinary tower practices. At the large majority of these I have found that Grandsire Doubles are used to introduce change-ringing to beginners who eventually graduate to Grandsire Triples. My own personal experience of teaching has proved to me that the Plain Bob method has a great many advantages over the Grandsire method. I have many times heard Grandsire described as a 'dead-end' method. That is as it may be but I would be most interested to hear the views and opinions of your readers on this matter. Should it be Grandsire—or Plain Bob?—Yours sincerely,

FRANK C. W. KNIGHT.

Winchester, Hants.



## Quarter Peals honour birth of the Queen's third son

**BATHEASTON, BATH.**—On March 14th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. E. Newman 1, D. A. Burt 2, R. J. Purnell 3, P. M. Giles 4, A. F. Lee (cond.) 5, P. H. Gaisford (first of Surprise) 6.

**BENGELO, HERTS.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Mrs. M. Butcher 1, E. J. Phillips 2, A. Stracey 3, A. R. Fowkes 4, J. H. Phillips (cond.) 5, S. D. Butcher 6.

**BIRCHINGTON, KENT.**—On March 15th, at All Saints' Church, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Jennifer Shields 1, Miss Groves 2, H. Luck 3, A. Stone 4, A. Hinkley 5, J. A. Russell (cond.) 6.

**BOISOVER, DERBYS.**—On March 15th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Jacqueline Stewart 1, Diane Turner 2, Gillian Rutland 3, Diane Slaney 4, H. Wagstaff 5, M. Cooper 6, D. Cooper 7, A. Keller (cond.) 8.

**BUCKINGHAM.**—On March 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: B. Hancock 1, J. Linnell 2, C. E. Truman 3, F. Vickers (cond.) 4, W. A. Yates 5, F. Pateman 6, G. W. Holland 7, H. Jenkins 8.

**CHARLTON KINGS, GLOS.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss M. Protherough 1, W. Drinkwater 2, J. Tyler 3, W. S. Ballinger 4, C. A. Wratten 5, F. Stephens 6, G. Simmons (cond.) 7, P. Jones (first quarter) 8.

**HALESOWEN, WORCS.**—On March 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. E. Shilcock (first quarter) 1, Miss M. I. Elmsmore 2, Miss M. Tromana 3, T. Greenhall 4, A. B. Elmsmore (cond.) 5, H. Shilcock 6.

**HENLOW, BEDS.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Bob Minor: R. Fuller 1, F. Mitchell (R.A.F.) 2, P. S. Philbrick (R.A.F.) 3, G. Mayes 4, L. H. Bywaters (cond.) 5, M. Major 6.

**HERSHAM, SURREY.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss D. Colcombe 1, J. Bailey 2, Miss G. Mooring 3, Miss J. Palmer 4, J. Martin 5, Mrs. P. Bird 6, C. Webb (cond.) 7, H. Colcombe 8.

**HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. R. Norris 1, H. W. Brown 2, A. M. Humphrey 3, N. J. Wright 4, S. W. Brown (cond.) 5, R. J. Trier 6, D. R. W. Hile (first quarter) 7, R. H. Tribe 8.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On March 22nd, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): A. Neilson 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, Myrtle Cook 3, H. P. Yates 4, R. P. Brotherston (cond.) 5, T. C. Uden 6.

**MARSHFIELD, MON.**—On March 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. Jones (first quarter) 1, Gwen Bidgood 2, Mary Pryor 3, N. Crowther 4, R. Waters (first of Minor) 5, M. Pilgrim (cond.) 6.

**OXFORD.**—On March 15th, at the Church of Saint Aldate, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: A. E. Ivings 1, Miss G. Gray 2, R. H. Allsworth 3, J. Venn 4, E. R. Venn (cond.) 5, R. Benstead 6.

**PRESTON CANDOVER, HANTS.**—On March 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. K. Dodd 1, F. R. Tonge 2, Penelope A. Goddard 3, C. H. G. Smith 4, R. F. Crook (cond.) 5, J. W. Cheney (first quarter) 6.

**RAINHAM, KENT.**—On March 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (6 and 8 cover): Mrs. F. J. Cheal 1, T. D. Wickins 2, S. V. Rayfield 3, A. J. Dunk 4, F. J. Cheal (cond.) 5, R. Pearce (first quarter) 6, K. Young 7, P. Thomas 8.

**ROTHERHITHE, LONDON.**—On March 15th, at the Church of St. Mary, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: M. Ferrier 1, Miss K. M. Guy 2, A. M. Macve 3, Miss B. J. Leigh 4, P. Erith 5, T. Lewis 6, D. P. Smith (first of Major as cond.) 7, J. W. Smith 8.

**STUDLEY, WARWICKS.**—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Doreen Cooke 1, June Smith 2, G. Stock 3, R. Spray (cond.) 4, J. Perkins 5, T. Griffiths 6.

**WALTON-ON-THAMES, SURREY.**—On March 20th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. V. Lathbury 1, C. Webb 2, H. Colcombe 3, Elizabeth K. Goddard 4, J. King 5, D. Leach 6, B. White (cond.) 7, D. Misdine 8. First of Stedman 4, 6 and 8.

**WARMINSTER, WILTS.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss E. Batchelor 1, P. Roynon 2, E. C. Shepherd 3, L. E. Hawkins 4, V. Bull 5, E. E. Norris 6, N. G. Knee (cond.) 7, T. E. Mallard 8.

**WEST CLANDON, SURREY.**—On March 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Cattell 1, E. R. Warner 2, P. Sherwood 3, J. Martin 4, W. Savill 5, S. G. Poning 6, D. A. R. May (cond.) 7, P. Privett 8. For adult Confirmation and the first official visit to the parish of the Bishop (Rt. Rev. G. E. Reindorp).

Rung in honour of the birth of a son to H.R.H. Princess Alexandra.

**BUCKINGHAM.**—On March 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: B. Hancock 1, F. Vickers 2, R. A. Vickers 3, W. A. Yates 4, W. F. Eyden 5, G. Shellard 6, G. W. Holland (cond.) 7, W. H. Yates 8.

**HARROW-ON-THE-HILL, MIDD.**—On Feb. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss P. Ollen 1, Miss S. Heastman 2, A. Martin 3, Mrs. J. Aldridge 4, Mrs. J. Rose 5, C. Aldridge 6, B. Rose (cond.) 7, J. Elliot 8.

**WARBOROUGH, OXON.**—On March 8th, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: V. Fox 1, B. Butler 2, R. Howes 3, A. Ayres 4, R. Heyworth 5, A. Howes 6, F. Absalom 7, G. McIlhiney (cond.) 8. First in method for all.

### LUPPITT AND THE QUEEN

Luppitt (Devon) planned to honour the birth of the third son to H.M. the Queen with a peal of Grandsire Doubles on March 11th, with each of the four 'inside' ringers calling a quarter peal.

Unfortunately a miscall in the first quarter, which was extended to bring up rounds, prevented the full peal being claimed. The other three quarters were successful, the time taken being 3 hours 5 minutes.

The ringers were: G. Crabb 1, J. Sage 2, Miss M. Sage (conductor 2nd quarter) 3, E. Broom (conductor 3rd quarter) 4, C. Churchill (conductor 4th quarter) 5, W. Broom 6.

### BARNESLEY DISTRICT SOCIETY

When the Barnesley District Society met at Eastwood, near Rotherham, on March 14th Mr. Fred Fisher was congratulated on having such a clean and decorated tower. In reply Mr. Fisher said he hoped, with a new Vicar in May they would have some ringers. Sixteen towers were represented.

It is hoped the annual outing on May 9th will be to North Yorkshire.

Next meeting: April 11th at Sprotborough, near Doncaster.

### SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD Newark and Bingham Districts

March 14th was wet and dreary, but this didn't deter over 50 ringers from attending the joint meeting of the Newark and Bingham Districts at East Bridgford. Much of the woodwork in the body of the church and the tower is being removed because of extensive damage caused by death watch beetle, and although holes in the ringing room ceiling made the six bells noisier than usual, the recent rehanging was evident in the 'go.'

Lowdham's five bells and Gonalston's stay-less four were available in the afternoon, and at 4.30 everyone gathered at East Bridgford for Evensong, conducted by the Rev. F. Stepherni, Bingham District's chaplain.

Tea was very welcome on such a miserable day, and afterwards each District held a very short business meeting. In reply to Mr. David Clarke's welcome, the Newark District chairman, Mr. F. W. Midwinter, said he hoped that next year the Newark District could be hosts at a joint meeting. The ladies were thanked for preparing tea, and ringing continued in the evening at both Lowdham and East Bridgford.

B. N. R.

### YORK MINSTER BELLS

The restoration of York Minster bells is now complete and, as briefly announced in our last issue, were dedicated on Wednesday of last week. To those who knew the bells before they were taken in hand and who heard them on the occasion of their opening were greatly struck with the vast improvement effected in their tone by the retuning which has been carried out. After being returned to the Minster the bells were rehung with the most modern fittings, including the Warner patent self-aligning, self-lubricating oil-bath and oil-ringing design of bearings, which eliminate all shock to the framework and, consequently, to the tower.

### THE LADIES' GUILD

#### Western District

The annual meeting of the Western District was held at Blagdon on March 14th. Although dissatisfaction was felt that so few ladies attended good ringing was enjoyed, which ranged from rounds to Cambridge Major.

At the business meeting, members stood in silence as a tribute to the memory of Mrs. H. Knight, a former vice-president and much-loved member of the Guild, who had passed away earlier in the year. Mrs. Parfrey was elected vice-president and Mrs. de Jong secretary, while Mrs. Eyles, Mrs. Bennett, Miss Johnson and Mrs. Smith were elected to the committee. One new member was elected.

Next quarterly meeting, Banwell, June 13th, with practice meetings at Chilcompton and Bathampton in April and May. M. de J.

A champion of footnotes might well have put something as follows under the peal of Bob Royal rung at Carbis Bay on March 14th — 'Rung after meeting with two bells short for Maximus.' It happened that a band of 12 turned up so the Vicar and Bill Theobald were happy to listen from various vantage points!

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# EAST ANGLIA'S LAST BELL FOUNDER

By TREVOR A. BEVIS

THE last bell foundry in East Anglia, that of Alfred Bowell, closed its doors to bell-work in 1939 on declaration of World War II, but remained open for munition and general engineering until 1950, in which year all activity on those premises was terminated by Council decree.

Mr. Bowell was an energetic and enterprising man and, like many other citizens of his day, was not afraid to tackle anything new. It is to his credit that he was entirely self-taught in the art of bell-founding. He hung his first bells in 1894, a part of his career which served to whet his appetite further in this direction, and he cast his first bell in 1896.

In the year previous, while not yet 21 years old, Alfred Bowell married a young lady from Great Bromley, Essex, the ceremony taking place at St. George's Church.

## SHIPWRIGHT—RINGER

From 1896 to 1939 the founder cast about 400 bells, no mean feat when considering that he personally poured metal into the moulds of each one. In the early years of his business he cast numerous sets of handbells for many parts of the country but gave it up as he considered this side of the trade unprofitable.

In order to outline the history of the Ipswich foundry it is necessary to turn back the pages to 1852, in which year the late Mr. Bowell's father, Henry, a native of Great Bromley, moved to Ipswich at the age of 22, commencing a seven-year apprenticeship as a shipwright at a local shipyard at which he was employed for several years. The decline of sailing vessels and the growing popularity of steamships, however, brought about a major slump in shipyards all over the country and Henry Bowell, who was, incidentally, a ringer, applied his hand to bell-hanging, being concerned with this branch of the trade only. The shipwright-ringer, who was quite at home on all numbers of bells, was a member of St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich. He died in 1911, aged 81.

His son, Alfred, did not relish having to hang bells manufactured by other firms: therefore he decided to enter the honoured realm of bell-founding through the formidable process of trial and error. This go-ahead man did practically everything himself in connection with bell-casting—but did not make ropes! All his knowledge was obtained the hard way, and by observing other firms' work of outstanding merit.

Although not yet having attained his majority, Alfred Bowell undertook a substantial job of rehanging, in a new oak frame, the octave (tenor 23 cwt.) at Stowmarket, Suffolk: this work also involved the placing of steel girders to support the spire.

## FORGING IN KITCHEN FIRE

The founder, who was educated at a Board School, did necessary forging in the kitchen fire of a house opposite where his foundry was later to be established. His son, Frederick, was born at this house in 1896.

Shortly before the turn of the century Alfred Bowell obtained some premises 'across the road,' which were originally erected in 1845 as a day school, then later used as a Wesleyan Chapel. He built his first workshops in the playground and eventually installed a 1-h.p. gas engine. In 1905 he obtained the chapel complete and converted it into the present works and fitted it with larger machines. A house was built on the site of his first premises in 1907 and here in 1940 at the age of 66 he died. His wife died two years later, also aged 66. Mr. and Mrs. Bowell are survived by an only son, Frederick. The death of a daughter, while not a day old, born in 1913, was keenly felt by both of them.

In July, 1914, Mr. Bowell was entrusted with the work of rehanging the heavy ring of eight in the Minster Church of St. Denys, Warminster, Wilts. Owing to the commencement of hostilities this job was not completed until 1915. It was then that the Government decreed that all bell work must cease for the period of the war; accordingly Alfred Bowell undertook munition work on sub-contract from a large and well-known engineering firm.

In 1916 the founder received an order to



ALFRED BOWELL

rehang six bells in a steel frame with extra bays at Thurcaston, Leics. At the time that tower had poor foundations and the bells were hung for chiming only. While foundations were being provided the bells were removed to Ipswich and remained there until 1919: in 1920 Mr. Bowell added two new trebles to complete the octave, which is well known in view of the great number of peals rung on it.

## TESTED BY CATHEDRAL ORGANIST

A rare challenge materialised in 1922, when the founder received an order to recast the six bells of All Saints' Church, Maldon, Essex, which has a unique triangular tower. An extra disused bell was obtained in order to add a little more weight, and the complete six were tuned by Mr. Frederick Bowell on a tuning machine made by his father. The contract for this work stipulated that the bells be inspected and tested in the foundry by the then organist of Chelmsford Cathedral. The musician made favourable comment upon them.

Mr. Bowell's bells never exceeded a ton. The heaviest cast by him were the tenor (19 cwt.) for Turvey, Beds, and a tenor (recast, 19½ cwt.) for Dennington, Suffolk. In 1922 the founder cast a complete ring of six (18½ cwt.) for Smarden, Kent. The same year saw him rehanging six bells in a new frame at Kirby-le-Soken, Essex, to which he added two trebles in 1923. The latter-mentioned bells are well known by members of the Exercise in that a record peal of over 22,000 changes was rung on them in recent years. Heavy bells rehanging by Alfred Bowell included the 30-cwt. tenor of St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich, and one of the same weight at Tenterden, Kent. The lightest bells rehanging by him were at Ford End, Essex—a ring of six (tenor 4½ cwt.). His work took him to churches in many counties of England—from Herts to Lincs, and Somerset to Kent and Sussex. He cast bells for churches in East Anglia and the Home Counties.

Understandably, business allowed very little time for peal ringing—the founder rang approximately 25—but he rang the bells of 763 churches over a very wide area. Mr. Bowell was a life member of many Associations, and he and his father were College Youths. Alfred Bowell was one of the few change ringers to ring a bell in the famous ground-cage at East Bergholt, Suffolk—a ring of five manipulated by hand. He had also rung at the Imperial Institute and at Quex Park, Kent. His first peal was of Plain Bob Major 'in hand' (ringing 7-8) at the age of 17, this being followed by his first on tower bells, Kent Treble Bob Maximus, at St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich. Mr. Bowell was actually one

of a band of ringers who rang three peals of Maximus' in the space of a week—two at Ipswich and one at Cambridge.

Despite the calls of his trade this 'man-of-metal' was always very willing to help learners and he enjoyed ringing the bells of his parish church, St. Clement's, Ipswich. Mr. Bowell rehanging those bells—six in number—which had been cast by an Ipswich founder, John Darbie, in 1660/80. Mr. Frederick Bowell was captain at this tower for many years.

## CHURCH CLOCKS

A part of Mr. Bowell's business not generally known was the renovating and rebuilding of church clocks. As with the bells much of the work in restoring clocks and chimes received his personal attention. At Halesworth, Suffolk, the founder removed the ancient clock, cut it in half and made all new sections, patterns, castings and added the Westminster chimes and hour-strike—a vast improvement to the original ding-dong chime.

From 1896 until the year of his death Mr. Bowell attended the carillon machine at St. Clement's Church. He also inspected a similar machine in the clock tower at Orwell Park, Nacton, Suffolk, which played ten tunes on hemispherical bells. This apparatus had been condemned by a London firm but the Ipswich founder made new parts for the carillon, which performed for 21 years until the house was evacuated. Finally neglect put it out of action.

Mr. Bowell's foundry received slight damage during World War II. Due to its close proximity to the docks the premises experienced narrow escapes from enemy bombs. On one occasion eight people were killed and 12 houses were destroyed in a nearby road.

Mr. Frederick Bowell recalls a remarkable escape in this raid when a shop he had just visited received a direct hit. At the same time the Church of St. Mary-at-the-Quay lost its organ and much of the interior was badly damaged, leaving the tower with its musical ring of bells intact. It was the only air raid on this country carried out by an Italian aircraft, which was later forced down and the pilot taken prisoner!

## PAST FOUNDRIES

Nowadays there are few, if any, small bell-foundries in the realm. Bellfounding eventually became a trade in which demands declined, and only well-established companies survived. Some readers may recall to mind once-familiar names: Stokes, Aggett, Day and Son (hangers), Bond of Burford, Llewellyn and James, Carr, Barwell, Moore, Holmes and McKenzie—all founders, not forgetting Warners and Gillett and Johnston.

In reality the Ipswich foundry received its unhappy warning of impending closure in the dark days preceding the last war.

Alfred Bowell had poured metal into a mould, shaping a bell—his last—for a church in the Isle of Ely. General opinion has it that this particular bell is a poor example of the work of which Mr. Bowell was capable. Indeed the founder himself admitted that due to very trying circumstances imposed by a difficult clergyman, this was the worst job in the whole of his career. The installation of the bell together with its five companions was cheaply undertaken by a wandering bellhanger of poor repute—with poor results.

Nevertheless the tenor at St. Mary's Church, Doddington, bemoans not only the passing of a noble and ancient craft at Ipswich, but that which was the final link in hundreds of years of bellfounding in East Anglia.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

### Biggleswade District

Taking into consideration the appalling weather conditions, there was a surprisingly good attendance at the monthly meeting of the Biggleswade District at Arlesey on March 14th. Miss U. Rix was Ringing Master, and a good selection of methods was rung.

The Vicar, the Rev. B. Edgell, conducted a short service, and also took the chair at the brief business meeting, which followed to in St. Peter's Hall.

More ringers defied the pouring rain in the evening when ringing ranged from rounds to London Surprise Minor. Both the special methods, Little Bob and Wells, were successfully rung at least one during the evening.

Next meeting: Blunham, April 11th.

A. R. A.



## AN ULSTER FANTASY

Here is a tale of a lad named John  
Who went to try his luck upon  
The bells, which he had often heard  
While other folk were being interred  
Or going to church, or getting married,  
So being curious, he tarried.

They welcomed him with open arms,  
Extolled the him the many charms  
The dodgy art of ringing proffered,  
And kindly their tuition offered.  
We'll try your backstroke first, they said,  
Which made young Johnny scratch his head  
Surely they thought the poor lad dim  
When he exclaimed 'I cannot swim';  
Small wonder then he felt a fool  
When told there was no swimming pool.

The next command was 'Catch hold sally,'  
And, being young, he did not dally.  
Regretfully the plan misfired,  
A nasty scratch the lad acquired  
The thought to him had not occurred  
That sally might not be a bird.  
Still nothing daunted off he went

Throughout the merry months of Lent,  
Soon ringing rounds was his delight,  
You'd hear him any Wednesday night  
In there with all the saintly band  
To exercise head, heart and hand.  
You'll have to hunt the treble next  
They said, the lad was sorely vex'd,  
This surely was another jape, a  
Yoicks, tally ho and all that caper.  
Occur in church this never should,

Still hunt they said, and hunt he would  
With spurs and crop and trusty nag.  
Six couple of hounds with tails awag,  
He duly turned up for the hunt,  
The hounds behind, the kids in front,  
Cheering him up the belfry stairs,  
The bell ringers were saying their prayers.  
To hunt the treble was his aim,  
And so he did with might and main.  
It was some time before he found  
The treble had not run to ground,

In fact there was no hunt at all,  
They drew the line upon the wall.  
The disillusioned lad looked glum  
And thought the whole thing very rum,  
When at the last it all transpired  
That horse and hounds were not required.

You'd think that after such a start  
Our new recruit would have lost heart.  
But not a bit of it, e'er long  
He'd call them right and put them wrong.  
Grandsire, Stedman and Plain Bob  
Would run around inside his nob.  
Wrong, three times before, middle and home,  
Which only just fits in this poem,  
He'd call for you as soon as wink  
(Excuse me while I take a drink).

Well now we come to the sorry bit,  
Those of you standing had better sit.  
The Vicar at the A.G.M.  
This year spoke from the chair—ahem,  
Inviting our young friend to be  
The foreman of the belfry.  
And, risen to this dizzy height,  
You'd find him any Wednesday night,  
Encouraging the young to be  
A better bellringer than he.

And so a finish to the tale,  
They say he strayed beyond the pale  
To count the southern region's rabbits  
And make a study of their habits.  
They say he's keeping tracks of things  
With numbered bells instead of rings.  
When danger on the meadow ripples,  
The rabbits run off Grandsire Triples,  
And later when the all-clear sounds  
They reappear again—in rounds.

VIVIAN HORTIN.

Coleraine, Co. Derry.

**EPSOM COMMON, SURREY.** — On March 15th.  
1. 264 Plain Bob Major: Sally Parrott 1, R. Fentiman  
2. Sylvia Marsh 3. Adrienne Gibson 4. D. Oakshott  
5. J. Munton 6. W. Parrott 7. D. Herschell (first of  
Major as cond.) 8. Rung to mark the second anni-  
versary of the Stewardship Campaign.

## PETER T. HURCOMBE'S 100 PEALS

With a peal of London Surprise Major at Presteigne, Rads, on November 16th Mr. Peter T. Hurcombe, of Cheltenham, completed his first 100 peals. These include peals up to 122 Spliced Minor, peals of Spliced Surprise Minor in 41 and 45 methods (including the longest length yet rung) and 51 peals of Surprise (including 34 peals of Major in 28 different methods). The list of peals is appended:

**Doubles.**—Grandsire 2, three methods 2 (conducted 2), four methods 1, 12 methods 1 (1).

**Minor.**—Plain Bob 7 (2), five methods 1, six methods 1, seven methods 3, nine methods 1, 14 methods 1, 19 methods 1, 21 methods 1, 48 methods 1, 54 methods 1, 65 methods 1, 70 methods 1, 100 methods 1, 105 methods 1, 111 methods 1, 122 methods 1.

**Surprise Minor.**—Cambridge 3, Primrose 1, Durham 1, three methods 1, seven methods 3, 11 methods 1, 15 methods 1, 21 methods 1, 41 methods (10,080 changes) 1, 45 methods 1.

**Triples.**—Grandsire 5, Plain Bob 2 (1), Stedman 1.

**Major.**—Plain Bob 7 (4), Double Norwich 1, Kent T.B. 1.

**Surprise Major.**—Cambridge 3 (1), Yorkshire 2 (2), Pudsey 2, Superlative 1, Rutland 1, London 1, Cotswold 1, Biddenden 1, Longney 1, Quedgeley 1, Gainsborough 1, Southwell 1, Walkerville 1, Chiltern 1, Wye 1, Wychwood 1, Avon 1, Zelha 1, Aldenham 1, Quornden 1, Ullesthorpe 1, Warwickshire 1, Ventnor 1, Havant 1, Painswick 1, Vancouver 1 (1), Hinton 1, Melbourne 1, two spliced 1, four spliced 1.

**Caters.**—Grandsire 1, Stedman 1.

**Royal.**—Yorkshire S. 2, Winchester S. 1.

**Cinques.**—Stedman 1.

Total 100, conducted 14.

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What a posy! The first day of spring was heralded in at Tangle, Hampshire, by a peal of nine method-variations of Flower Doubles. These were Kingcup, Honeysuckle, Wallflower, Violet, Primrose, Buttercup, Bluebell, Cowslip and Daffodil. We guess that the majority of our readers will be completely mystified.

The footnote to the peal of Stedman Caters at Bedford on March 7th should have read: 'First peal of Stedman Caters for the Diocesan Guild by a band resident in the Diocese.'

Was the stamping of a lady's feet during the ringing of a touch at a Southwell Guild meeting associated with some of the younger members softly chanting the refrain from 'Bits and Pieces'?

Subbing some copy relating to Halesowen tower on the morning of the Grand National, the Editor quite innocently put up the heading 'Team Spirit.' This was too good a tip for the linotype operator setting the copy to ignore. After leaving work he promptly backed this horse and won over £2!

Conductor of the 'flower' peal, Mr. G. Dodds, acknowledges the help of Mr. R. Jones, of Marston, on producing most of the flower methods from different sources. All are the original names of the method/variations. He hopes to publish all these Doubles variations in 'The Ringing World' in the near future.

We hear that the Witney and Woodstock Branch supper and social evening was a great success with a company of 79 enjoying soup, turkey and sweet in the Masonic Hall. Robert Clow, of Tackley, and Mrs. Holden, of Northleigh, laid on an entertainment. The 'lapping' of Alec Cantwell, Susan and David Floyd was well done.

From the current issue of 'Belfry News' we learn that the General Committee of Derby Diocesan Association are recommending a donation from general funds towards the cost of sending 10 ringers to Washington. It is hoped to recoup this donation by collections at District meetings.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

Congratulations to Mr. Eric Godfrey, of Addington, Surrey, who at this time last year was learning to handle a bell. He has now rung two peals and 20 quarter peals (including 11 of Surprise Minor)—all 'inside'—in 13 methods (conducted one), and is now imparting his enthusiasm to three young learners.

Mr. Godfrey W. Taysom, by ringing the 2nd to a peal of Bob Royal on March 14th, has now 'circled' Carbis Bay tower.

A meritorious performance is the ringing at Bottesford, Leics, on March 14th, of a peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major, non-conducted and strictly silent.

Congratulations to Leonard Stilwell, of Worthing. By ringing the second in the commemoration peal of Double Norwich at St. Nicholas', Brighton, he becomes the first ringer to 'circle' the three rings of 10 bells in Sussex. Stick to it, Len. One day we might have a ring of 12!

Raymond J. Adams, a member of Winchester Cathedral band, who rang his first peal at North Stoneham on March 20th, is leaving with his parents for Worcester, where his father has been appointed head verger at the Cathedral. Raymond looks forward to going to a new twelve with a 42w. tenor.

In the In Memoriam peal at Dunholme, Leics, on March 18th to William G. Goude, his fellow churchwarden was a ringer and also the secretary of the C.E.M.S., of which the deceased ringer was chairman. There were also three representatives of neighbouring churches in the band.

'The Burton Observer and Chronicle' in its '50 Years Ago' column of March 5th recalls an appeal from ringers of St. Paul's Church, Burton, to assist them to add four more small bells at a cost of £230 to augment the ring to 12 bells. Mr. R. H. Dove informs us that the appeal did not materialise but two trebles were added about 1922—one as a gift of the late W. W. Worthington and the other as a memorial to three ringers killed in the 1914-18 war.

## THE WHITECHAPEL BELL FOUNDRY

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CITY OF LONDON.  
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 39 Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

### **A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES**

Tenor 62 cwt. in B flat.

ROGER F. OVERINGTON .. Treble	STEWART F. W. KIMBER .. 7
ANDREW N. STUBBS .. 2	MICHAEL V. CHILCOTT .. 8
WILLIAM T. COOK .. 3	MICHAEL P. MORETON .. 9
JOHN D. ROCK .. 4	JAMES PHILLIPS .. 10
JOHN PHILLIPS .. 5	JOHN H. CRAMPION .. 11
ALAN J. FROST .. 6	WILFRED WILLIAMS .. Tenor
	TREVOR N. J. BAILEY .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS.  
Conducted by MICHAEL V. CHILCOTT.

### **LEICESTER.**

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Fri., March 13, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

### **A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

*IAN HALL .. Treble	SHIRLEY BURTON .. 6
ROBERT HARDY .. 2	ALAN E. HARTLEY .. 7
JAMES W. POYNER .. 3	BRIAN CHAPMAN .. 8
HERRICK B. BOWLEY .. 4	RUSSEL S. MORRIS .. 9
JACK P. KESTERTON .. 5	WILLIAM J. ROOT .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by HERRICK B. BOWLEY.  
\* First peal of Royal.

### **BRADFORD, YORKSHIRE.**

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

### **A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 25½ cwt. in D.

WILLIAM A. KIRKBY .. Treble	*HAROLD B. SCHOFIELD .. 5
MRS. H. B. SCHOFIELD .. 2	RODERICK W. PIPE .. 6
PETER A. KIRKBY .. 3	FREDERICK A. MUNDAY .. 7
B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. 4	ROY BETTLEY-COOKE .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN. Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.  
\* 100th peal.

### **FRITTENDEN, KENT.**

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

### **A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.	
*ANGELA W. BURGESS .. Treble	LAWRENCE T. POPE .. 5
ANN JENNER .. 2	STANLEY JENNER .. 6
†HILARY A. SWALLOW .. 3	WALTER H. DOBBIE .. 7
*RAYMOND A. LARGE .. 4	EDWARD J. JENNER .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER H. DOBBIE.  
\* First peal. † First of Triples.

### **NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.**

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. WOOLOS.

### **A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb.

M. JACK PRYOR .. Treble	DONALD G. CLIFT .. 5
JACQUELINE S. KING .. 2	DAVID J. KING .. 6
JOHN MANLEY .. 3	ROGER G. HAVARD .. 7
D. KENVYN WALTERS .. 4	DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN. Conducted by DAVID J. LLEWELLYN.

### **HEYWOOD, LANCASHIRE.**

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sun., March 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE.

### **A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 21 cwt. 3 qr. in D.

TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. Treble	JOHN P. PARTINGTON .. 5
DEREK BUTTERWORTH .. 2	NEIL BENNETT .. 6
*RICHARD S. STARKIE .. 3	JOHN H. FIELDEN .. 7
CHRISTOPHER K. COOPER .. 4	FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by TUDOR P. EDWARDS.  
\* First peal of Surprise Major.

### **EAST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.**

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHUN.

### **A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 25 lb. in D flat.

FRANK H. HICKS .. Treble	ERIC H. KNAPP .. 5
MARGARET A. LADD .. 2	DEREK SLATER .. 6
C. JANE SMART .. 3	ERNEST J. LADD .. 7
M. PETER HOWARD .. 4	JOHN A. HOWARD .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. MARTIN. Conducted by JOHN A. HOWARD.

### **EPSOM COMMON, SURREY.**

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH.

### **A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. 4 lb. in F sharp.

*RUTH CARR .. Treble	ADRIENNE GIBSON .. 5
DENNIS J. F. OAKSHOTT .. 2	*JOHN C. DAVIDGE .. 6
CHARLES W. MUNDAY .. 3	FREDERICK E. COLLINS .. 7
BRIAN J. BULL .. 4	DAVID J. HERSHELL .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by DAVID J. HERSHELL.  
\* First peal of Major. First of Major as conductor.

### **PUTNEY, LONDON.**

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

### **A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in F.

*ALAN R. MILLIDGE .. Treble	*DAVID C. BROOKES .. 5
*BRIAN J. BULL .. 2	ALAN E. BAGWORTH .. 6
*BRIAN H. COATSWORTH .. 3	*CHRISTOPHER F. MEW .. 7
*MARGARET E. FORT .. 4	*JOHN E. PRICE .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by CHRISTOPHER F. MEW.  
\* First peal of Stedman.

### **EWHRST, SUSSEX.**

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Thurs., March 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 13 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. JAMES AND MARK.

### **A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 42 extents in ten methods, viz.: (1 to 4) Stedman, (5 to 8) St. Simon's, (9 to 12) St. Nicholas', (13 to 16) St. Martin's, (17 to 20) Winchendon Place, (21 to 23) Reverse St. Bartholomew, (24 to 26) April Day, (27 to 30) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, (31 to 36) Grandsire, (37 to 42) Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in G.

*ALAN R. BALDOCK .. Treble	*ANTONY JACKSON .. 3
*IAN V. J. SMITH .. 2	*THOS. M. BARLOW .. 4

C. BARRIE DOVE .. Tenor  
Conducted by IAN V. J. SMITH.

\* First peal in ten methods.

### **GAMSTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.**

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Fri., March 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

### **A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb.	
*CELIA CHANDLER .. Treble	SIDNEY CARNALL .. 4
KATHERINE BURCHNALL .. 2	A. HARRY HAWCROFT .. 5
GRACE BURCHNALL .. 3	HAROLD DENMAN .. Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD DENMAN.

\* First peal.

## **OTHER PEALS**

### **TEN BELL PEALS**

#### **OSSETT, YORKSHIRE.**

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY AND UNDIVIDED TRINITY.

### **A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CATERS**

Tenor 27 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lb. in D.

THOMAS W. STRANGEWAY .. Treble	†DAVID S. LOCKWOOD .. 6
*PATRICIA LOCKWOOD .. 2	*ROBIN BROWN .. 7
†IAN NORTH .. 3	WILFRID F. MORETON .. 8
PETER WOODWARD .. 4	†MALCOLM L. BENNETT .. 9
FRED BENNETT .. 5	MARK L. LOCKWOOD .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.  
\* First peal of Stedman Caters. † First of Stedman.

### **BIRMINGHAM.**

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM  
On Thurs., March 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP.

### **A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

EDWARD W. COLLEY .. Treble	FREDERICK ROSS .. 6
SUSAN FUNNELL .. 2	GEORGE E. FEARN .. 7
NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. 3	CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. 8
RODERICK W. PIPE .. 4	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. 9
GEOFFREY DAVIES .. 5	PETER BORDER .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY (No. 8).  
Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

### **CARBIS BAY, CORNWALL.**

THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANTA AND ALL SAINTS.

### **A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

Tenor 9½ cwt.

ROBERT A. SOUTHWOOD .. Treble	CYRIL E. LANXON .. 6
GEOFFREY W. TAYSON .. 2	ANTHONY LOCKE .. 7
ANTHONY J. DAVIDSON .. 3	ALAN CARVETH .. 8
MARGARET A. BOULD .. 4	D. ROY BOULD .. 9
TREVOR N. J. BAILEY .. 5	DAVID N. PENROSE .. Tenor

Composed by WALTER AYRE. Conducted by ALAN CARVETH.



## EIGHT BELL PEALS

ST. DENNIS, CORNWALL.  
THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DENNIS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part (seventh obs.).

Tenor 9 cwt.

ALAN CARVETH .. .. .	Treble	ARTHUR F. BURLEY .. .. .	5
V. MARY MATTHEWS .. .. .	2	DAVID N. PENROSE .. .. .	6
ANTHONY LOCKE .. .. .	3	ROBERT A. SOUTHWOOD .. .. .	7
*REV. A. S. ROBERTS .. .. .	4	DENIS STEPHENS .. .. .	Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT A. SOUTHWOOD.

\* 200th peal for the Guild.

## DERBY.

## THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALKMUND.

## A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

JOSEPH C. WOOLLEY .. .. .	Treble	DAVID W. PARKIN .. .. .	5
DAVID W. FRIEND .. .. .	2	WM. ARNOLD MORLEY .. .. .	6
MALCOLM P. PHIPPS .. .. .	3	BURLEY P. MORRIS .. .. .	7
PETER MARRIOTT .. .. .	4	DENIS R. CARLISLE .. .. .	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by DENIS R. CARLISLE.

## MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5056 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, being 2,560 Bristol, 1,600 London, 448 Cambridge and 448 Superlative; with 115 changes of method.

Tenor 7 cwt, 2 qr. 22 lb. in B flat.

BASIL JONES .. .. .	Treble	JOHN WORTH .. .. .	5
EDWARD JENKINS .. .. .	2	A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. .. .	6
HAROLD C. LONON .. .. .	3	C. KENNETH LEWIS .. .. .	7
ALAN A. POTTS .. .. .	4	DAVID J. ATKINSON .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by JAMES TOPP.

Conducted by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

Rung in honour of the birth of a son to H.R.H. Princess Alexandra and Mr. Angus Ogilvy.

## STAINES, MIDDLESEX.

## THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.

On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15½ cwt.

PAULINE FENNELL .. .. .	Treble	TIMOTHY G. PETT .. .. .	5
ANTHONY H. SMITH .. .. .	2	RICHARD O. HUMPHRIES .. .. .	6
*BARBARA G. DALE .. .. .	3	ROGER W. POWELL .. .. .	7
ELIZABETH T. BIRMINGHAM .. .. .	4	ANTHONY G. TYERS .. .. .	Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by ANTHONY G. TYERS.

\* First peal attempt.

## WARWICK.

## THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

## A PEAL OF 5184 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt, 2 qr. 20 lb. in F.

MURIEL REAY .. .. .	Treble	EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. .	5
*MARILYN C. SMITH .. .. .	2	RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. .	6
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. .	3	JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. .. .	7
B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. .. .	4	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. .	Tenor

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

\* First peal in the method.

## BOTTESFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THA-VIRGIN.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb. in E flat.

ROBIN H. ROGERS .. .. .	Treble	RICHARD C. L. BROWN .. .. .	5
EDMUND SHUTTLEWORTH .. .. .	2	GORDON A. HALLS .. .. .	6
DAVID W. PARKIN .. .. .	3	DENIS R. CARLISLE .. .. .	7
JOHN W. COLEMAN .. .. .	4	DAVID W. FRIEND .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Rung non-conducted and strictly silent.

## DORCHESTER, OXFORDSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.

AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In eight methods, comprising 1,600 of London, 1,440 Rutland, 480 Bristol and 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire; with 129 changes of method. Tenor 16 cwt. in E.

DAVID A. CORNWALL .. .. .	Treble	JOHN E. CAMP .. .. .	5
CHRISTINE C. MACNAIR .. .. .	2	F. JOHN NELSON .. .. .	6
*EDWARD R. VENN .. .. .	3	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. .	7
*PETER A. SHARP .. .. .	4	NOEL J. DISERENS .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of 8-Spiced Surprise Major.

## EAST ARDSLEY, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 20 cwt, 2 qr. 24 lb. in E flat.

SANDRA CROSSLEY .. .. .	Treble	JOHN E. CHAPMAN .. .. .	5
NEIL DONOVAN .. .. .	2	MICHAEL R. MEADOWS .. .. .	6
JOHN S. SEAGER .. .. .	3	STUART ARMESON .. .. .	7
DAVID NICHOLS .. .. .	4	RICHARD E. PRICE .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD.

Conducted by RICHARD E. PRICE.

## EAST BUDLEIGH, DEVON.

## THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. in A.

*WILLIAM J. HARVEY .. .. .	Treble	*JEAN F. BARNETT .. .. .	5
FRANK D. MACK .. .. .	2	*MARTIN F. LOCK .. .. .	6
JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD .. .. .	3	*FREDERICK WREFFORD .. .. .	7
ANN E. FELLOWS .. .. .	4	NORMAN MALLETT .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by NORMAN MALLETT.

\* First peal in the method. First in the method as conductor. First in the method for the Guild by resident members.

## EDENBRIDGE, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 3 Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt, 7 lb. in F sharp.

MRS. P. A. CORBY .. .. .	Treble	ARTHUR S. RICHARDS .. .. .	5
*JUDITH M. CORBY .. .. .	2	EDWIN A. BARNETT .. .. .	6
MRS. J. THOMAS .. .. .	3	THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. .	7
†ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. .	4	PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by ANDREW J. CORBY.

\* First peal. \* 50th peal, and first as conductor.

Rung in honour of the Confirmation of Judith M. Corby.

## KNEBWORTH, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY-THA-VIRGIN AND THOMAS-A-BECKET.

## A PEAL OF 5120 CODDENHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt.

DAVID R. SAUNDERSON .. .. .	Treble	VERNON GREEN .. .. .	5
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. .. .	2	JACK S. DEAR .. .. .	6
ERIC EDMONDSON .. .. .	3	COLIN A. S. HARWOOD .. .. .	7
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. .. .	4	*J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

Conducted by G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY.

\* 100th Surprise Major method to a peal. First in the method by all the band.

## NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.

## THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. JAMES AND BASIL, FENHAM.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's variation. Tenor 14 cwt, 10 lb. in F.

JOHN E. ANDERSON .. .. .	Treble	WILLIAM G. WILSON .. .. .	5
M. ELAINE MURCOTT .. .. .	2	GEORGE S. DEAS .. .. .	6
DAVID J. MARSHALL .. .. .	3	ERIC N. HARRISON .. .. .	7
MICHAEL MAUGHAN .. .. .	4	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. .	Tenor

Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

## WARBOROUGH, OXFORDSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt, 14 lb. in G.

CHARLES COLES .. .. .	Treble	PETER J. HERITAGE .. .. .	5
*P. GERALD McILHON .. .. .	2	*ANDREW J. HOWES .. .. .	6
CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. .. .	3	FRANK ABSOLOM .. .. .	7
*ANGELA M. AYRES .. .. .	4	ALAN R. PINK .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

\* First peal in the method.

## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., March 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS-OF-MYRA.

## A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt, 20 lb. in E.

HERBERT W. WOOLVEN .. .. .	Treble	*BERNARD G. NORTH .. .. .	5
LEONARD STILWELL .. .. .	2	FRANK I. HAIRS .. .. .	6
ALBERT W. BOND .. .. .	3	ERNEST J. LADD .. .. .	7
JOHN W. EUSTON .. .. .	4	W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by ERNEST J. LADD.

\* First peal in the method.

Rung to commemorate the 91st birthday of the late Henry Stalham.



STOKE POGES, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.  
LONDON COUNTY ASSN. AND N. SOUTHWARK DIO. GUILD.

On Wed., March 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.

### A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Carter's Odd Bob One-Part (seventh observation).

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 3 lb. in F sharp.

HADLEY HUNTER .. .. . Treble	*KENNETH J. DARVILL .. .. 5
*PATRICIA ROGERS .. .. 2	CHRISTOPHER H. ROGERS .. .. 6
ARTHUR D. BARKER .. .. 3	HAROLD W. ROGERS .. .. 7
OLIVE M. ROGERS .. .. 4	WILFRID G. WILSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HADLEY HUNTER.

\* First peal of Triples. Conductor's first of Stedman Triples.

MORPETH, NORTHUMBERLAND.  
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., March 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,

AT THE WATCH TOWER.

### A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 26 lb. in G.

GEORGE S. DEAS .. .. . Treble	NICHOLAS I. WRIGHT .. .. 5
JOHN E. ANDERSON .. .. 2	ALAN R. PATTERSON .. .. 6
M. ELAINE MURCOTT .. .. 3	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. 7
MICHAEL MAUGHAN .. .. 4	ERIC N. HARRISON .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH W. PARKER. Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

OLD SWINFORD, STOURBRIDGE, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., March 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

### A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 12 lb. in F sharp.

MURIEL REAY .. .. . Treble	GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 5
RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 2	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. 6
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 3	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 7
*MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. .. 4	CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN. Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

\* First peal in the method.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.  
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., March 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

### A PEAL OF 5024 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In eight methods, comprising 864 of Rutland, 672 each of London and Pudsey, 640 each of Cambridge and Superlative, 608 of Adelaide, 544 of Brighton and 384 of Bristol; with 146 changes of method. All the bells do all the work of each method. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

ALICK CUTLER .. .. . Treble	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 5
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 2	DENNIS KNOX .. .. 6
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. .. 3	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. .. 7
JOHN HILL .. .. . 4	THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. Tenor

Composed by RICHARD G. CROSLAND. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

EXMINSTER, DEVON.  
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

On Fri., March 20, 1964, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

### A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt.

NORMAN MALLETT .. .. . Treble	MARTIN F. LOCK .. .. 5
*JENNIFER SMITH .. .. 2	JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD .. .. 6
JEAN F. BARNETT .. .. 3	GEORGE SKINNER .. .. 7
ANN E. FELLOWS .. .. 4	WILLIAM J. HARVEY .. .. Tenor

Composed by G. H. CROSS. Conducted by NORMAN MALLETT.

\* First peal of Major.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., March 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS.

### A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb. in G.

*RAYMOND J. ADAMS (15) .. .. Treble	DAVID J. FORDER .. .. 5
CAROLYN VIBERT .. .. 2	MALCOLM M. POWELL .. .. 6
JOHN H. TAYLOR .. .. 3	FRANK C. W. KNIGHT .. .. 7
MICHAEL D. TRIGG .. .. 4	TOM CHAPMAN .. .. Tenor

Composed by TOM CHAPMAN. Conducted by DAVID J. FORDER.

\* First peal.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

DUNHOLME, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD.

### A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR

Tenor 9 cwt.

W. STANLEY SMITH .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. 4
*DELIA E. SMITH .. .. 2	†GEORGE H. RANGLES .. .. 5
*NORAH M. RANGLES .. .. 3	A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL .. .. Tenor

Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES.

Conducted by A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL.

\* First peal of London Minor.

MAWGAN-IN-MENEAGE, CORNWALL.

THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MAWGAN.

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor 8 cwt.

*DENIS STEPHENS .. .. Treble	ANTHONY LOCKE .. .. 4
FRANCES M. RICKARD .. .. 2	ANTHONY J. DAVIDSON .. .. 5
ALAN CARVETH .. .. 3	DAVID N. PENROSE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN CARVETH.

\* First peal on a working bell.

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THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In four methods, being one extent each of Double Oxford, Single Oxford and St. Clement's, and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt. in A.

*DAVID APPLETON .. .. Treble	†HENRY P. THOMPSON .. .. 4
WILLIAM TYSON .. .. 2	JAMES CROWTHER .. .. 5
MICHAEL ARMSTRONG .. .. 3	MICHAEL MAUGHAN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL MAUGHAN.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.'

Rung as a birthday compliment to ringer of treble.

NAVENBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., Double Oxford, Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt. 12 lb.

JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. .. Treble	G. ANGUS DIXON .. .. 4
G. LEONARD THOMPSON .. .. 2	*GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. 5
W. STANLEY SMITH .. .. 3	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY R. PARKER.

\* 200th peal.

A wedding compliment to Jane Theaker and Rodney Bond, whose marriage took place at this church earlier in the day.

HORSPATH, OXFORDSHIRE.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 6 cwt. in B.

ANGELA AYRES .. .. Treble	ROGER HEYWORTH .. .. 4
HELEN HOWES .. .. 2	GERALD McILHONNE .. .. 5
DAVID PIMM .. .. 3	ANDREW HOWES .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ANDREW HOWES.

First peal on the rehung bells.

WIGTOFT, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In five methods, being one extent each of Single Court, Double Court and Oxford T.B., and two each of Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lb. in A sharp.

KEITH R. DAVEY .. .. Treble	DEREK J. JONES .. .. 4
*ARTHUR R. GOLDSMITH .. .. 2	ROGER D. BAILEY .. .. 5
JOSEPH W. BAILEY .. .. 3	ALAN G. PAYNE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN G. PAYNE.

\* First peal 'inside.'

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## CUDHAM, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 16 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

In 37 methods: (1) Fryerning, Allendale and Westminster; (2 and 3) Lindley, Northumberland, Sandiacre, Carlisle, Wooler, Whitley, Alnwick, Newcastle, Morpeth, Canterbury, Chester and Munden; (4) Rosendale, Wearmouth, Stamford, Lightfoot, Annable's London and Netherseale; (5) London, Wells, Dearne Valley and Cunecastre; (6) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull, Primrose and Bourne; (7) York, Durham, Berwick, Surfleet, Hexham and Beverley; with 152 changes of method.

Tenor 3 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb. in E flat.  
KATHARINE M. GUY .. Treble .. †ANDREW M. MACVE .. 4  
IAN H. ORAM .. .. 2 .. RALPH BIRD .. .. 5  
\*JOHN FAIRCLOTH .. .. 3 .. THOMAS CULLINGWORTH .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN H. ORAM.

\* Most methods to a peal. † 200th peal.

## NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE.

## THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents. Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in E.  
WALTER R. BEEBE .. .. Treble | \*ALAN L. BLACKMORE .. 4  
\*JUDY A. SUFFOLK .. .. 2 .. K. PAUL GILLIVER .. 5  
GEORGE W. BRANDRICK .. 3 .. \*ROGER A. BROWN .. Tenor

Conducted by K. PAUL GILLIVER.

\* First peal.

## SALTWOOD, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F sharp.  
LLOYD SWEATMAN .. .. Treble .. PETER RICHARDSON .. 4  
JOSEPHINE D. HARDY .. .. 2 .. CRAWFORD T. HILLIS .. 5  
VIOLET I. E. REIF .. .. 3 .. MARK W. MARSHALL .. Tenor

Conducted by MARK W. MARSHALL.

First peal of Minor in the method by all the band.

## SEAL, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being an extent each of Lindley, Dearne Valley, Morpeth, Whitley, Stamford, Allendale and Hexham.

Tenor 9½ cwt. in G.  
IAN H. ORAM .. .. Treble .. RALPH BIRD .. .. 4  
KATHARINE M. GUY .. .. 2 .. THOMAS CULLINGWORTH .. 5  
JOHN S. BARNES .. .. 3 .. \*ANDREW M. MACVE .. Tenor

Conducted by ANDREW M. MACVE.

\* 100th tower in the county for a peal.

## WADDESDON, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 12 cwt. in G.  
\*DAVID C. BROOKES .. .. Treble | †GILES B. THOMPSON .. 4  
MICHAEL J. BANGHAM .. .. 2 .. CHRISTOPHER F. MEW .. 5  
MARGARET E. FORT .. .. 3 .. †ALAN R. MILLIDGE .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN R. MILLIDGE.

\* First peal of Plain Bob Minor. † 100th peal on tower bells. ‡ 25th peal for the Association. First as conductor. First on steel bells for all the band, and for the Association.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Corinne Mortimer and Iain Morton.

## WIGGENHALL, NORFOLK.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN,

## A PEAL OF 5040 WIGGENHALL DELIGHT MAJOR

Comprising two different 2.160 blocks and one extent (C.C.C. Nos. 1, 7 and 12). Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 22 lb. in G.  
GEORGE R. G. BUTLER .. Treble | KEITH R. DAVEY .. 4  
FRANK TAYLOR .. .. 2 .. \*DEREK J. JONES .. 5  
ALAN G. PAYNE .. .. 3 .. \*ROGER D. BAILEY .. Tenor

Conducted by ROGER D. BAILEY.

\* 25th peal together. First of Treble Bob as conductor. First of Delight by all the band. First peal rung in the method.

## WIGGENHALL DELIGHT MINOR

34 x 34.16 x 12 x 1236 x 14 x 36. L.H. 12 G.

## HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., March 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in 13 methods, viz.: Two each of Newborough, All Saints, Northrepps, Reverse St. Bartholomew and Grandsire, and four each of Southrepps, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, Plain Bob, Kennington, April Day and Seighford.

Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. in G sharp.

RUTH BLACKSHAW .. .. Treble | MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 4  
ROBIN H. ROGERS .. .. 2 .. GEORGE A. DAWSON .. 5  
DUDLEY SURMAN .. .. 3 .. JACK DAWSON .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBIN H. ROGERS.

First peal in 13 methods by all.

## BILSTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Wed., March 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 11 cwt.  
\*RICHARD B. DORRINGTON .. Treble | \*JOHN WILKINSON .. 4  
\*JOHN WELLINGS .. .. 2 .. REMI M. HODISTER .. 5  
\*ELIZABETH THOMINS .. .. 3 .. PHILIP G. K. DAVIES .. Tenor

Conducted by PHILIP G. K. DAVIES.

\* First peal of Minor.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam James E. Wellings, late people's warden of this church.

## DUNHOLME, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., March 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in four methods: (1) Single Court, (2 and 3) St. Clement's, (4 and 5) Single Oxford, (6 and 7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. in A.

G. ANGUS DIXON .. .. Treble | WILLIAM R. PARKER .. 4  
PETER BURTON .. .. 2 .. W. STANLEY SMITH .. 5  
CHARLES V. CADE .. .. 3 .. GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. Tenor

Conducted by G. ANGUS DIXON.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam William G. Goude, churchwarden and bellringer and a faithful servant of the Church for 45 years, who was cremated earlier in the day.

## TANGLEY, HAMPSHIRE.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., March 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 FLOWER DOUBLES

In nine methods/variations, being two extents each of Kingscup, Honey-suckle, Wallflower, Violet, Primrose and Buttercup, and ten extents each of Bluebell, Cowslip and Daffodil. Tenor 6 cwt.

WILLIAM KEWELL .. .. Treble | GEOFFREY K. DODD .. 3  
BRADLEY MURDUCK .. .. 2 .. DENBY P. MURDUCK .. 4

PHILIP MURDUCK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.

Rung to welcome the first day of spring (March 21st) and also Summer Time, which fell on the same day as the peal was rung.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## BUSHEY HEATH, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., March 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes,  
AT 39, TITIAN AVENUE.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 14 methods, comprising 640 each of Bristol and London, and 320 each of Cambridge, Ealing, Eastcote, Elford, Lincolnshire, Lindum, Pudsey, Rutland, Superlative, Watford, Wembley and Yorkshire; with 139 changes of method. Tenor size 15 in C.

\*S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN 1-2 | †JOHN R. MAYNE .. 5-6  
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY 3-4 | \*ROGER BALDWIN .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of 14-Spliced Surprise Major. † First of 14-Spliced on handbells.

## TWICKENHAM, MIDDLESEX

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(Hampton Grammar School Campanological Society.)

On Fri., March 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,  
AT 64, ST. MARGARET'S ROAD.

## A PEAL OF 5072 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

\*ROSAMUND M. RAWLINGS 1-2 | \*JUDITH M. GEIRINGER .. 5-6  
MICHAEL B. TYERS .. 3-4 | PETER N. FELTON .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by PETER N. FELTON.

\* First peal 'in hand.' First as conductor. First for the School Society.



# QUARTER PEALS

**ASHFORD, KENT.**—On Feb. 23rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. White 1, Miss M. Montgomery 2, Miss M. Jones 3, N. Frigate 4, Dr. J. L. Garroway 5, N. J. Davies (cond.) 6, C. T. Hillis (cover) 7. For morning service.

**BALDOCK, HERTS.**—On March 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: A. Blackmore (first quarter) 1, J. S. Dear 2, J. I. Dear 3, L. Scoot 4, L. Hughes 5, D. Sutcliffe 6, E. Buck (cond.) 7, S. Hutton 8. A 21st birthday compliment to P. J. Flack.

**BOSHAM, SUSSEX.**—On March 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Gillian Birch 1, I. Freestone (first in method) 2, Diane Street (cond.) 3, V. Crouch (first 'inside') 4, M. J. Kirk 5, A. Palmer (first quarter) 6. By Society Bishop Otter T.C., Chichester, for Confirmation service. First quarter for Society.

**BLEWBURY, BERKS.**—On March 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Corderoy 1, Susan E. Burt (first of Grandsire Triples) 2, H. W. Dunsden 3, E. J. Grace 4, C. J. Garlick 5, C. Corderoy (cond.) 6, R. B. Blond 7, L. F. Cox 8. For Confirmation service. Also on March 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Corderoy 1, H. W. Dunsden 2, H. Wells 3, E. J. Grace 4, A. R. T. Greenough 5, C. Corderoy 6, R. B. Blond (cond.) 7, P. Corderoy 8. For Matins.

**BROOMFIELD, ESSEX.**—On March 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Marian R. Panton 1, Edna Frith 2, G. P. Cowling 3, A. R. Groves 4, I. R. Panton 5, M. J. Cowling (cond.) 6. For Mothering Sunday.

**BOURNEMOUTH.**—At St. John's, Surrey Road, on March 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. C. Shute 1, F. Price 2, R. Sheppard 3, E. G. Mould 4, C. E. Burt 5, G. C. Grant 6, L. J. Lockyer (cond.) 7, M. Jenkins 8. Wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Mitchell.

**CALVERLEY, YORKS.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Minor (Kent, Little, Plain): S. Roberts (first quarter) 1, Olivia Marshall 2, W. Lee 3, R. Appleby 4, P. Dawson 5, R. Lumley 6. For morning service.

**CARDIFF.**—At St. John's Church, on March 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss N. Davies 1, F. Rowell 2, Miss M. Pryor 3, T. Yeomans 4, L. Muller 5, J. Pryor 6, M. Peterson (cond.) 7, W. Dare 8. A birthday compliment to treble ringer.

**CHOBHAM, SURREY.**—On March 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles C. J. Hudson 1, C. K. Hill 2, J. W. Priest 3, D. G. Blows 4, Roy Collins (cond.) 5, Ron Collins 6. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to the Rev. F. T. Robinson, Vicar of Chobham from 1929—1948, whose funeral took place earlier this day.

**CLAPHAM PARK, LONDON.**—On March 15th, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor (tenor covering): M. Fort 1, A. Smith 3, A. Mann 4, R. Humphries 5, J. Eisel (cond.) 6, A. Bishop (250th quarter) 7, A. Clayton 8. A.M.D.G.

**CONSETT, CO. DURHAM.**—On Feb. 23rd, 1,260 Minor (Kent T.B., Plain Bob): D. Appleton (first of Minor) 1, J. G. Wall 2, Marjorie Pearson 3, J. Vickery 4, M. Armstrong 5, W. Tyson (cond.) 6, R. B. Skelton 7. Also on March 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Scott 1, J. G. Wall 2, J. Vickery 3, M. Armstrong 4, R. B. Skelton 5, W. Tyson (cond.) 6, G. Ratcliffe (first quarter) 7.

**DERBY.**—At St. Peter's Church, on March 15th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. Wallis 1, W. Steen 2, J. Bailey (cond.) 3, K. Beresta 4, D. Walklate 5, A. Mould 6. On back six for Evensong.

**EASTHAMPTON, BERKS.**—On March 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: N. W. Rapley 1, Dorothy Humphris 2, Joan A. Rance 3, C. W. Bailey 4, W. R. Churchill 5, S. G. Scott (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Doctors Ian Ross and Patrick Pawsey, who died in the Innsbruck air crash.

**EXETER, DEVON.**—At the Church of St. Petrock, on March 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Colton 1, Diane Lissenden 2, Jennifer Smith 3, A. White 4, M. F. Lock (first of Minor as cond.) 5, C. Yates 6. First quarter of Minor 1, 3 and 4. For Evensong, also a birthday compliment to the ringer of 2.

**GEDDING, NOTTS.**—On March 18th, 1,320 Doubles (four methods): Miss P. Lawrence (first quarter) 1, R. H. Rogers 2, D. Surman 3, M. W. Harrison 4, G. A. Dawson (cond.) 5, H. G. Wells 6.

**GOSFORTH, NORTHUMB.**—On Feb. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Jennifer Martin (first quarter) 1, Joan Walker 2, A. G. Craddock (cond.) 3, M. Lincoln 4, J. A. Sturrock 5, J. Bell 6. A compliment to Jennifer Martin and R. W. Lee on their engagement.

**HARROW-ON-THE-HILL, MIDD.**—On March 1st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: C. W. Simpson 1, B. A. Rose 2, Miss L. E. Simpson 3, R. E. Waters 4, Mrs. J. Rose (first in Stedman) 5, A. M. Stacey 6, W. G. Wilson (cond.) 7, J. Elliot 8. For Evensong.

**HIGHAM-ON-THE-HILL, LEICS.**—On March 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. A. Gilliver (first quarter) 1, R. Clayfield 2, Rev. E. L. Fisher 3, I. S. Merry 4, K. P. Gilliver (cond.) 5, J. L. Merry 6. For Evensong.

**HORSELL, SURREY.**—On March 18th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): S. Crouch 1, Joyce Drury 2, G. Oliver (cond.) 3, J. Bills 4, Pauline Drury 5, P. Privett 6. Also on March 22nd, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Joan Smith 1, C. Webb 2, J. King 3, H. Colcombe 4, J. Martin (cond.) 5, P. Privett 6. Both rung half-muffled in memory of William Saunders, a faithful ringer at St. Mary's for 27 years.

**KIDDERMINSTER, WORCS.**—On March 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: H. J. Shuck 1, Miss Y. Edwards 2, P. L. Bill 3, J. Lloyd 4, K. Salter 5, R. W. Skinner 6, G. Westwood 7, A. D. Cook 8, J. C. Eisel 9, M. D. Fellows (cond.) 10. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Skinner on the birth of a daughter. Mr. Skinner is the Master of the newly re-formed local band.

**KILBURN, LONDON.**—On March 15th, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: A. N. Stubbs (cond.) 1, D. A. Bennett 2, D. T. Darby 3, Ruth M. How 4, J. Salter 5, Louise Gallini 6, D. C. Birkinshaw 7, J. Eisel 8.

**KIRK ELLA, E. YORKS.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: H. C. Palmer 1, Lynda B. Dalton (first 'inside') 2, M. T. Wilson 3, G. Smith (cond.) 4, K. Goldthorpe 5, I. G. Campbell 6. A birthday compliment to ringer of 5.

**LONDON.**—At St. Vedast's, Foster Lane, on March 15th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Barbara G. Dale 1, Pauline Fennell 2, N. J. Davies 3, A. H. Smith 4, R. W. Powell 5, R. O. Humphries (cond.) 6. First of Surprise as conductor. For Matins by U.L.S.C.R.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Dances', on March 15th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: S. Penfold 1, G. Cecil 2, J. Carrott 3, Miss J. Peacock 4, J. Stephenson 5, G. Bush (Peterborough) 6, J. Fowler 7, P. Wilkinson 8, F. V. Gant (cond.) 9, J. McPhail 10. For Matins.

**MOLD, FLINTSHIRE.**—On Feb. 23rd, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Stella Simcock (first quarter) 1, J. R. Williams 2, J. C. Jones 3, P. Smith first 'inside' 4, J. H. Jones (cond.) 5, W. Price 6. For Matins. Also on March 8th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury and Grandsire): P. Downer (first quarter) 1, W. Price 2, J. R. Williams 3, P. Smith 4, J. H. Jones (cond.) 5, J. C. Jones. For Evensong.

**NUTFIELD, SURREY.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bib): K. Richardson (first quarter attempt) 1, Nancy Kempell 2, A. T. Shelton 3, K. G. Game 4, W. Dunn (cond.) 5, S. Smith 6. For Matins.

**OCKHAM, SURREY.**—On March 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Genebeth Mooring 1, J. King 2, R. Caporn 3, C. Webb 4, F. Hawthorne (cond.) 5. For morning service.

**OVERBURY, WORCS.**—On March 1st, 1,260 Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles: C. Prosser 1, A. Pulley 2, J. Attwood, Snr. 3, D. Trenfield 4, J. Attwood (cond.) 5, R. Loxley 6.

**PORTSMOUTH, HANTS.**—At St. Mary's, on March 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. E. J. Duguid 1, W. Ridd 2, R. H. R. Parker 3, A. Page 4, T. R. Taylor 5, W. Cope 6, L. D. Duguid (cond.) 7, M. Siddons 8. For Evensong.

**PERSHORE ABBEY, WORCS.**—On Feb. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): Ann Collett 1, R. Loxley 2, D. Trenfield 3, I. Lloyd 4, J. Attwood (first quarter as cond.) 5, E. Bick 6, A. Berry 7, J. Firkins 8.

**PRESTWICH, LANCs.**—On March 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Jane Reynolds 1, D. Leyland 2, D. Hoag 3, A. E. Reeves 4, P. Malloch 5, A. J. Brown 6, F. Reynolds (cond.) 7, A. Leighton 8. A compliment to A. Leighton, on his 75th birthday.

**PUTNEY, LONDON.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. E. Pridmore 1, Alison M. Mann 2, R. Cooles 3, Margaret E. Fort 4, B. H. Coatsworth 5, C. F. Mew 6, D. C. Brookes (cond.) 7, Christine M. Cobb 8. For Evensong.

**ROYDON, ESSEX.**—On March 10th, 1,260 Doubles: I. Sams 1, C. W. Sams (cond.) 2, B. G. Burton 3, A. A. Livings 4, G. E. C. Blake 5, N. Ward 6. For the induction of the new Vicar, the Rev. Christopher Wansey.

**SLOUGH, BERKS.**—On March 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples (non-conducted; from Holt's 'Original'): F. R. Scott 1, M. Hatchett 2, F. W. Goodfellow 3, W. Birmingham 4, D. P. Hilling 5, J. Hill 6, W. G. Wilson 7, G. R. Shedden 8.

**SOMERBY, LEICS.**—On March 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: I. Bell 1, Mrs. M. Stimson 2, H. T. Bonshor 3, A. J. Stimson 4, M. T. Stimson 5, R. H. Cook (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled to the memory of Dr. J. Beaumont Good, and also Mrs. Alice Tyler, mother of R. Cyril Tyler (tower captain), interred this afternoon at Somerby.

**SOUTHMINSTER, ESSEX.**—On March 4th, 1,440 Minor (St. Clement's, Oxford T.B.): P. Sloman 1, D. Robinson 2, H. Stebbings 3, G. Sandwell 4, A. House 5, M. Hallett (cond.) 6. A 21st birthday compliment to Mr. E. Sandwell, ringer at this church.

**STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Spiced Major (Plain, Little and Gainsborough): Miss T. P. Johnson 1, Miss P. A. Lansley 2, R. O. Fry 3, Mrs. R. J. Drewitt 4, E. W. Ford 5, R. J. Drewitt 6, B. Bladon 7, A. R. Peake (cond.) 8.

**SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,260 Minor (Kent T.B., Plain Bob): N. W. Grassby (first of T.B.) 1, Carol I. V. Corton 2, K. H. Mildred 3, A. R. Mildred 4, B. G. Warwick (cond.) 5, D. W. Stenson 6. For Evensong. A farewell to the Rev. E. G. Symonds (curate), inducted Vicar of All Souls', Leicester, on February 14th. Also on Feb. 15th, 1,260 Doubles (seven methods): B. G. Warwick 1, K. H. Mildred (cond.) 2, Carol I. V. Corton 3, A. R. Mildred 4, D. W. Stenson 5, June E. Wood 6. For Evensong. Also on Feb. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: June E. Wood 1, B. G. Warwick (cond.) 2, A. R. Mildred 3, Carol I. V. Corton 4, D. W. Stenson 5, K. H. Mildred 6, M. G. Wood 7, N. R. May 8. For Evensong. Also on March 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: A. B. Stevens 1, B. G. Warwick 2, K. H. Mildred (cond.) 3, Carol I. V. Corton 4, D. W. Stenson 5, A. R. Mildred 6, M. G. Wood 7, June E. Wood 8. For Evensong.

**STRATTON, CORNWALL.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. Sangwin (cond.) 1, E. Nunn 2, W. H. Trewin 3, D. Pearce 4, H. Heard 5, J. Bowden 6, J. W. Sangwin 7, J. Hackridge 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Michael Saltern.

**SUNBURY-ON-THAMES, MIDD.**—On March 8th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Major: A. G. Tyers (cond.) 1, P. A. Brand 2, Miss B. G. Dale 3, Miss F. Pocock 4, M. B. Tyers 5, D. W. Struckett 6, A. M. Johnson 7, D. Boniface 8. For Evensong.

**TENTERDEN, KENT.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. R. Cooper 1, Violet Relf 2, M. W. Marshall 3, W. P. Tickner 4, A. Lewry 5, R. Swift 6, H. Parkes (cond.) 7, A. Gorham 8. For Evensong. Dedicated to the memory of Kenneth Pattenden, for many years a ringer at this church.

**TWICKENHAM, MIDD.**—On March 20th, at All Hallows' Church, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Vanessa Rodrigues 1, Ruth Carr 2, Margaret Fort 3, Alison Mann 4, M. Bangham (cond.) 6, B. Bull 6, C. Mew 7, D. Wilkins 8, F. E. Dukes 9, A. S. Bishop 10. First of Royal 1, 2, 3 and 9. For the visit of F. E. Dukes.

**TWYFORD, BERKS.**—On March 22nd, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman and Grandsire): A. V. McCluskey (first quarter) 1, M. J. Smith 2, Mrs. H. Smith 3, A. A. Brown 4, H. Smith (cond.) 5, Gillian M. Smith (first quarter) 6. First in two methods 2, 3 and 4. For Evensong.

**WANDSWORTH, LONDON.**—At Holy Trinity Church, on March 15th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Grandsire, 7, 6, 8 covering): Bernice Nichol (first quarter attempt) 1, Wendy Griffin 2, R. E. J. Dennis (first 'inside') 3, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 4, J. E. Reed 5, J. A. G. Harvey 6, J. L. Bell 7, J. H. Caze 8. For Evensong.

**WARNFORD, HANTS.**—On March 21st, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: K. Sansom 1, Maureen White (first Minor 'inside') 2, R. A. Stone 3, Mary White 4, C. E. Bassett (cond.) 5, K. G. Waller 6.

**WHICKHAM, CO. DURHAM.**—On Feb. 17th, 1,320 Doubles (eight methods): Glensy Wardhaugh 1, S. Thompson 2, W. Davidson 3, M. Maughan (cond.) 4, J. Crowther 5. Also on Feb. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Glensy Wardhaugh 1, M. Maughan (cond.) 2, S. Thompson 3, W. Davidson 4, W. A. Thow (first of Minor) 5, J. Crowther 6. Also on Feb. 24th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): W. A. Thow 1, W. Davidson 2, J. Crowther 3, S. Thompson 4, M. Maughan (cond.) 5. Also on March 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Glensy Wardhaugh 1, J. Crowther 2, S. Thompson 3, S. Thompson, Jnr. 4, W. Davidson 5, M. Maughan (cond.) 6.

**WIMBLEDON, SURREY.**—On March 22nd, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Marion Balkwill (first quarter) 1, Elizabeth Zass (first 'inside') 2, Vanessa Rodrigues 3, Rosamund Rawlings 4, J. Tomsett 5, M. Bangham (cond.) 6, A. Bagworth 7, A. S. Bishop 8. In memoriam Frank Corfield, a former member of the band, who passed away on March 12th.



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### MEETINGS

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION**—N.W. District.—A meeting will be held at Elmdon (6) on Saturday, April 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to G. Blake, Hamlet House, Roydon Hamlet, Harlow, Essex. 4328

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Annual general meeting at Bishop's Stortford on Saturday, April 4th. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and meeting (Water Lane Institute) 5.15. Notice of motion—to amend Rule 3 to enable members of the South Mymms band to be elected as full members of the Association. Names for tea essential to D. H. Kingston, 33, Proctors Way, Bishop's Stortford (Tel.: 2965), by April 1st. Ringing arrangements: Route 1: Harlow Common (8), 11 a.m.-12.30 p.m.; Hatfield Heath (6), 1.30-3; Hatfield Broad Oak (8), 2.30-3; Thorley (6), 2.30-4 p.m. Route 2: Bengoe (8), 10.11.30 a.m.; Ware (8), 11 a.m.-12.30 p.m.; Widford (6), 1.30-3.30; Little Hadham (5), 2-4 p.m. Route 3: Cottred (5), 10.11.30 a.m.; Great Hornead (6), 11 a.m.-12.30 p.m.; Braughing (8), 1.30-3; Standon (6), 2-3.30; Bishop's Stortford (10) 3-4.15 p.m. Thorley and Bishop's Stortford available after the meeting. 4327

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**COVENTRY GUILD**—Warwick Branch.—Meeting at Salford Priors on Sat., April 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Nominations for branch officers at meeting.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Tonbridge District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, April 4th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. E. C. Leigh, 'Holmesdale', Station Road, Edenbridge.—W. H. Dobbie, Hon. Sec. 4321

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Saturday, April 4th. Ringing at All Saints' Church, West Ham (Church Lane—5 mins. from Stratford Broadway Station), 3-4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Ringing at West Ham after meeting till 8 p.m.—V. E. Dupré, Hon. Sec. 4369

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Saturday, April 4th, Chenies. Ringing 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Please send names by March 31st. Single Court Minor, Double Plain Bob.—Miss Hague, 6, Stompits Road, Holyport, Maidenhead. 4340

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—North Bucks Branch.—Monthly meeting, Stoke Goldington on April 4th. Bells (6) from 6 p.m.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM**—Quarterly meeting, April 4th at Solihull. Bells (10) available 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea (followed by meeting) 5 p.m. Names for tea, please.—G. E. Fearn, Hon. Sec., 92, Etwell Road, Birmingham 28. Phone SPR 1025.

**SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY**—Meeting at Wath, Saturday, April 4th. Thrybergh bells 2.15 till 3.15 p.m. Wath bells from 3.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss S. Crossley, 48, Church Street, Wath-on-Dearne, near Rotherham, please.—J. Seager, Sec.

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**—Annual meeting, April 4th at Southwell. Bells (12) from 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5 for those notifying Mr. F. W. Midwinter, 19, Clarke Avenue, Newark. Business meeting follows tea.—W. L. Exton, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4344

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Northern Division.—Quarterly meeting at Cowfold (6), transferred from Worth, Saturday, April 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., only for those who notify Mrs. E. L. Hairs, Norman Cottage, Groombridge, Tel. 438.

**SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD**—Central District.—Quarterly meeting, Llanfegan, April 4th. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea (at 3s. each) and meeting to follow at Royal Oak Inn, Pencelli. Names for tea, please, to M. R. Thomas, 7, Wheat Street, Brecon. 4342

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Andover District.—Quarterly meeting, April 4th. Thruxton. Bells (6) 2 to 4 p.m. Tea. Andover Parish Room. 4.30 p.m. Service afterwards. Andover (8) and Goodworth Clatford (6) after tea. Names to Mrs. T. Tarrant, 134, Corunna Main, Andover. 4373

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Practice meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube station) on Mon., April 6th, at 7 p.m. 4383

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Chertsey District.—Combined practice at Ottershaw on Wednesday, April 8th. Bells (6) available from 7 p.m. All welcome. 4361

**BARNSELY DISTRICT SOCIETY**—Meeting at Sprotborough, nr. Doncaster, on Sat., April 11th. For tea please notify Mr. Ernest Short, Kathlyn, Melton Road, Sprotborough, Doncaster, not later than April 7th.—J. W. Buxton. 4403

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION**—Taunton Branch.—Practice meeting, Kingston-St.-Mary, Sat., April 11th. Bells 6.45 p.m.—A. H. Reed, Hon. Sec. 4414

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**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Frome Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Morton-St.-Philip on Sat., April 11th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. F. G. Phelps, 1, Chatley Furlong, Norton-St.-Philip, nr. Bath.—E. Chivers, Chilcompton. 4386

**BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY**—Monthly meeting, Walkington (6), on Sat., April 11th. Bells 2 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday to Miss J. Gray, 7, Northgate, Walkington, Beverley. 4386

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION**—Eastern District.—Gateshead, Sat., April 11th at 3 p.m. Names for tea not later than April 8th, to Miss M. T. A. Thow, 32, Raby Street, Gateshead. 8. 4390

**EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD**—Meeting on Sat., April 11th, at Buckland (6) 2.30-5 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Reigate (10) 6.30-8.30 p.m. Names for tea by April 9th, please, to Miss M. A. Ladd, 4, William Street, Tunbridge Wells, Kent. 4394

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Cambridge District.—Meeting at Ickleton (8), on Sat., April 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—B. D. Threlfall, Dis. Sec. 4377

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION**—Chippenham and Swindon Branches.—Joint meeting at Malmesbury on April 11th. Bells 2.30. Service in Abbey 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. in St. Mary's Hall. Names for tea essential by April 10th to Mr. H. Blacker, 15, West Street, Malmesbury.—H. Heath. 4398

**GLOS AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION**—Forest Branch.—Meeting at Mitcheldean on Sat., April 11th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Names for tea to A. Paton, 13, Orchard Way, Mitcheldean. 4409

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Chertsey District.—Meeting at Old Woking on Sat., April 11th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. approx. for those who notify by the previous Wednesday, J. F. Soles, 123, Rydens Way, Old Woking. 4417

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Special meeting, Clun, April 11th. Bells (8) 2.15 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. It is essential that I receive names for tea (2s. 6d.) by April 7th.—G. T. Cousins, The Flat, Police Station, Ross-on-Wye. 4417

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Eastern District.—Meeting at Broxbourne on Sat., April 11th. Own tea arrangements.—R. Durrant, Dis. Sec. 4378

**LADIES' GUILD**—Eastern District.—Annual meeting at Diss (8) on Saturday, April 11th, at 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Palgrave (8) in evening. Names for tea by Wednesday, April 8th, to Miss A. Lester, 40, Stowmarket Road, Needham Market, Ipswich. 4352

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Furness and Lake District Branch.—Meeting at Kirkby-in-Furness on Sat., April 11th. Bells 2.30 to 7.30 p.m. Names for tea to Rev. C. E. Whitaker, The Vicarage, Kirkby-in-Furness. Tel.: Kirkby 256.—T. F. Metcalfe, Sec. 4391

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Rochdale Branch.—Meeting at St. Mary's (Parish Church), Oldham, on Sat., April 11th. Bells (12) from 3.30 p.m. Tea (cafes nearby) 5 p.m. No business. Names and deposits for Branch trip essential by this meeting.—J. P. Partington. 4399

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Liverpool Branch.—Meeting at St. James', West Derby, April 11th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.30. Names to Mr. T. Riley, 32, Cranchurst Road, Liverpool, 4. 4412

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Preston Branch.—Meeting at Chorley Parish Church, Sat., April 11th. No tea arrangements, cafes nearby.—L. Walmsley. 4406



**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**—Melton District.—Meeting at Kirby Bellars on April 11th. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in hall at 5 p.m. Names for tea by April 8th. please, to Mr. A. E. Hinman, Kirby Bellars, Melton Mowbray. 4397

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—Sat., April 11th, at Whaplode. Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.30. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to K. R. Davey, 59, High Street, Holbeach, Lincs. Hon. Dis. Sec. 4380

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Annual meeting at Sunbury-on-Thames on Sat., April 11th. Ringing at Hampton 2.30. Sunbury 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting in Parish Hall to follow.—T. J. Lock, Gen. Sec. 4382

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Northern Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Wroxham, Sat., April 11th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea by the 8th to Mr. A. F. Boyce, The Lodge, Hoveton, Norwich, NOR 37Z.—C. Bird, Hon. Sec. 4336

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Newbury Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Bucklebury on Sat., April 11th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to A. W. Davis by Tues., April 7th. The Village, Bucklebury, Reading. 4396

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**—Wimborne Branch.—Quarterly meeting on April 11th. Ringing Cranborne 2.30-4.30 p.m. Service 6 p.m. at Wimborne St. Giles', followed by ringing until 8.30 p.m. Names for tea by April 8th to Mrs. J. A. Robertson, Creech Cottage, Tarrant Keyneston, Blandford. 4401

**SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—An evening practice meeting will be held at Montford, nr. Shrewsbury, on Sat., April 11th. Bells (6) available 6-8.30 p.m. We regret that Great Ness bells are not available in the afternoon.—E. Norris, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4416

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**—Bingham District.—Meeting at Colston Bassett on April 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wed. previous to W. L. Exton, St. Ouen's, Whatton. — R. Blackshaw. 4400

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**.—North Notts District.—Meeting at Blyth (6). Sat., April 11th. Please make own tea arrangements.—H. Denman. 4408

**SUFFOLK GUILD**.—North West District.—Ringing meeting at Rougham (6). Sat., April 11th. Bells 2.30-9 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Please do help tea caterers by sending names for tea by Wed., April 8th, to Mr. L. Wright, Horringer Road Stores, Bury St. Edmunds.—A. F. Ballam, Dis. Sec. 4410

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Western Division.—Practice meeting at Thakeham (6). Sat., April 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea at 5 o'clock for those who notify R. Wake, 28, Keynor Estate, Sidlesham, Chichester, Sussex. Tel.: Sidlesham 325. 4413

**STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY**.—A striking competition will be held at Bushbury, near Wolverhampton, on Saturday, April 11th. Draw at 3 p.m. Those requiring light refreshments afterwards, kindly being laid on by Bushbury ringers, should, please, send their names to Mr. M. R. Buckham, 17, Lauderdale Gardens, Bushbury, near Wolverhampton, by Wednesday, April 8th, latest.—C. M. S., Hon. Sec. 4346

**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD**—Annual general meeting on Sat., April 18th, at St. Nicholas Church, Warwick. Ringing from 2 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Church Hall followed by business meeting. Names for tea by April 15th to J. L. Garner-Hayward, Lowfold, Ashorne, Warwick. 4402

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION**.—S.W. District.—Quarterly meeting at Dagenham on April 18th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea by April 16th to Dr. J. Armstrong, 7, The Cobbles, Brentwood. 4392

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Leatherhead District.—Meeting at Capel on April 18th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Notifications for tea by previous Wednesday to Mrs. H. Penfold, 6, Greenside, Capel, Dorking, Surrey. 4379

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**LADIES' GUILD**.—Devon Branch.—Annual meeting will be held at Clyst Honiton on Sat., April 18th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting. Clyst St. George bells (6) available 7 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. Q. Retter, Waldrons, Clyst Honiton, Exeter. Gentlemen welcomed. 4389

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Southern Branch.—Meeting at Brooke on Sat., April 18th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wed., April 15th, to Mr. C. F. W. Phillippo, J. Council Houses, Bunwell, Norwich, NOR 01X.

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Wellingborough Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Earls Barton on Sat., April 18th, usual arrangements. Names for tea by previous Tues. to Mrs. Wilkins, 20, Queen Street, Earls Barton. 4418

**SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS**.—Meeting at All Saints', Loughborough (10), at 3 p.m. on Sat., April 18th. Names for tea by Sat., April 11th to A. Myatt, 64, Toothill Road, Loughborough. 4393

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD**.—Isle of Wight District.—Quarterly meeting. Brading. April 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Please notify Mr. East, 79, Avenue Road, Sandown, by April 14th. 4410

**SURREY ASSOCIATION**.—Northern District.—Striking competition at Banstead on April 25th. Service 2.30 p.m. Draw 3 p.m. Entry forms from N. Steere, 1, Prior Avenue, Sutton, Surrey. All Sunday service bands in the county eligible. Tea after last band has competed. Names (other than competing bands) to Mr. H. Pitstow, Saffron, High Street, Banstead, Surrey, by April 22nd. General ringing after tea and meeting. 4395

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Annual Festival will be held on Sat., May 9th, at Hartford, Northwich. Service 4 p.m. Preacher: Rev. C. H. Huggill, Rural Dean of Middlewich. Tea 5 p.m. followed by business meeting. Tickets for tea 4s. 6d. each, obtainable from Mr. R. W. Worrall, Hillcroft, 1, Vale Road, Hartford, Northwich, before May 4th. Towers available: Hartford (6) 2-4 p.m. and after the meeting; Middlewich (8) Over (8); Weaverham (6); Gt. Budworth (8); Davenham (6); Witton (8) all from 2-3.30 p.m. and after the meeting by arrangement.—Henry O. Baker, Gen. Sec. 4375

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD OF RINGERS**.—Exeter Branch.—Meeting at Blandford Speke on Sat., May 9th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea 4.30. names early. Meeting following.—G. Skinner, 38, Manston Road, Exeter. 4381

#### LATE NEWS

Mr. P. J. Bird informs us that an attempt will be made for a peal of 24,119 Grandsire Caters at the Bell Foundry Campanile, Loughborough, by the University of Bristol Society on Saturday, April 11th.

### QUARTER PEALS

**CAMBRIDGE**.—At the Church of St. Benedict, on March 12th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: J. B. Cooke 1, R. W. H. Hayes 2, T. A. Getty 3, R. M. Damerell 4, C. A. Friskney 5, J. A. Harrison (cond.) 6. First quarter 1, 2 and 3. First of Minor 5 and 6.

**DENHAM, BUCKS.**—On Feb. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (with 7, 6, 8 covering): G. Harris (first quarter) 1, J. Drever 2, Ann Collins 3, S. Udell 4, R. Snack 5, C. Timms 6, H. Baldwin 7, B. C. Collins (cond.) 8. For Evensong, and in appreciation of the Mothers' Union supplying a bellringers' dinner on the previous evening.

**HAMPTON, MIDD.**—On March 6th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: D. Brock 1, D. W. Struckett 2, A. Knights 3, P. N. Felton 4, P. A. Preston 5, A. Watkinson 6, M. B. Tyers 7, P. A. Brand (first as cond of Major) 8. Rung by Hampton Grammar School Society for Founders' Day. Also at the school, on Feb. 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor 'in hand': A. Knights 1-2, M. B. Tyers 3-4, P. A. Felton (cond.) 5-6.

### MR. F. HECTOR BENNETT'S 250 PEALS

Mr. F. Hector Bennett has travelled far for his 250 peals. They have been rung in 20 English, five Welsh and six Irish counties for 21 Associations, Guilds and Societies. Owing to a miscount his 250th peal was rung at Count. Shropshire, on December 28th and not February 15th as claimed. His list is:—

Maximus.—Kent T.B. 2, Cambridge Surprise.—3.

Cinques.—Grandsire 2.

Royal.—Plain: Plain Bob 6, Little Bob 2; Treble Bob: Kent 3, Oxford 2; Surprise: Albanian, Belgrave, Cambridge 10, Prittlewell, Southwell, Yorkshire 3.—30.

Caters.—Grandsire 2.

Major.—Plain: Double Norwich Court Bob 17, Plain Bob 16, St. Clement's 3, Little Bob, also C.C.C. numbers 13, 14, 33, 35, 36, 82, 209, 212, 216, 217, 219, 221, 225, 227, 228, 229, 246, 370.—55; Treble Bob: Kent 11, Little Albion, Oxford 3.—15; Surprise: Aldenham, Belgrave, Braunstone, Bristol, Cambridge 20, Derby, Ewell, Fordham, Gainsborough, Lincolnshire 8, London, New Cambridge 2, Painswick, Pudsey 2, Rutland 5, Southwell, Superlative 5, Wessex, Wye, Yorkshire 20, Zelah, Spliced three methods.—77.

Total Major 147.

Triples.—Grandsire 2, Plain Bob 3.—5.

Minor.—Plain: Plain Bob 7; Treble Bob: Berwyn, Kent 2, Oxford 2, Norton-le-Moors; Surprise: One to seven methods 9; Assorted: Two to 13 methods, 25.—47.

Principles.—Cinques: Stedman 2; Caters: Stedman 2; Major: Duffield; Triples: Stedman 2.—7.

Handbells.—Plain Bob Minor 6, Oxford T.B. Minor.—7.

Total.—250 (conducted 9).

### MR. F. D. MACK'S 100 PEALS

Mr. Frank D. Mack, of Exmouth, completed his 100 peals with Bob Maximus at Buckfast on February 15th. Details:—

Doubles.—Grandsire 2, Stedman 1, three methods 2.

Minor.—Plain Bob 7 (1), three methods 1, four methods 6, five methods 1, seven methods 1, Cambridge 1, London 1.

Triples.—Grandsire 7, Stedman 5, Plain Bob 1.

Major.—Plain Bob 4 (one 10.080), Double Norwich 3, Kent T.B. 3, Oxford T.B. 1, Cambridge 4, Yorkshire 6, Rutland 2, Belgrave 2, Pudsey 1, Superlative 1, Aldenham 1, Bristol 1.

Caters.—Stedman 10, Grandsire 9.

Royal.—Plain 3, Little Bob 1.

Cinques.—Grandsire 5, Stedman 3, Erin 1. Maximus.—Plain Bob 1, Little Bob 1, Kent Treble Bob 1.

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### CLERICAL GUILD'S RINGING WEEK

The Guild of Clerical Ringers are holding their week from April 6th-10th, with headquarters at Trood House Hotel, Alphington, near Exeter.

The party will consist of: The Revs. Preb. J. H. B. Andrews, N. F. D. Coleridge (Tatworth), Canon C. Carew Cox (Whitechurch Canonicomum), S. M. Evans (Bredgar), Canon K. W. H. Felstead (Southampton), J. B. T. Homfray (Cheltenham), R. N. Longridge (Okeford Fitzpaine), C. J. B. Marshall (Long Sutton), M. C. C. Melville (Nottingham), I. J. Richards (Llanarth), P. T. Robbins (Charing), Canon F. A. Sanders (Overton), Canon B. F. Sheppard (North Petherton), R. D. St. J. Smith (Darley), W. H. R. Trehwella (Penzance), H. F. Warren (Exford), E. B. Wood (Mapledurham), for part of the time J. G. M. Scott (Clawton) and J. Shephard-Walwyn (Westleigh), Mrs. Felstead, Mrs. Richards, Mrs. Sanders, Mrs. Wood and Miss Homfray.



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1,440 each of London and Rutland, 800 Bristol, 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Superlative and Yorkshire, 160 of Pudsey.

First rung at Bushey on February 6th, 1964, conducted by the composer.

**QUARTER PEALS**

**BURNHAM, BUCKS.**—On March 14th, 1,280 St. Clement's Major: M. Hatchett 1, E. G. Swift 2, G. W. Limmer 3, G. Riglar 4, E. R. Gotham 5, G. R. Shedden 6, W. Birmingham 7, H. Oglesby (cond.) 8.

**COLYTON, DEVON.**—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Crabb 1, J. Sage 2, J. Thorne 3, C. Churchill (cond.) 4, F. Sage 5, T. Thorne 6.

**DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.**—On March 5th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: W. Minns 1, E. J. Lockwood 2, Mrs. E. J. Lockwood 3, R. E. Lester 4, H. Leather 5, W. W. Miller 6, W. J. Button 7, L. G. Brett (cond.) 8. First touch of Major 1, 2 and 3. For Cross and Arrows service.

**LEICESTER.**—At the Prebendal Church of St. Margaret, on March 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Peene (first quarter) 1, T. Bent 2, G. H. Bray (first as cond.) 3, T. Still 4, G. A. Olliffe 5, D. Walker (first quarter) 6. Rung after Ringers' Corporate Communion.

**MARSTON, OXON.**—On Feb. 9th, 1,260 Doubles (11 methods): L. Porter 1, R. H. Jones 2, G. Belcher 3, N. D. Deam (cond.) 4, A. Gammon 5. For Evensong.

**MILDENHALL, WILTS.**—On March 15th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: A. D. Smith 1, Susan E. Burt 2, A. W. Johnson 3, Mrs. G. Brown (first of Minor) 4, R. Inglis 5, Rev. R. Keeley (cond.) 6. First of Kent 1, 2, 3 and 5.

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## PHYSICAL ASPECTS OF RINGING

By GILES B. THOMPSON

THERE are many misconceptions over the practical skills in ringing. A bell is hung in such a way that its potential energy when raised and just displaced from the balance is sufficient to get it up to the balance on the other side; this ignores the bearing friction and that due to ropes, pulleys, etc., which may be relatively great in certain cases. Thus all the 'effort' needed in ringing is that to overcome the frictional forces alluded to above, to keep the rope in a state of tension so as to have a better control of the succeeding stroke, and to manipulate the bell beyond the point of balance. The best part of the stroke to supply any extra force is at the end of the downward pull. To facilitate this, should it be necessary, it is best to keep the hands and arms as close to the body as possible, thus moving the rope parallel to the body.

Bells that go badly for such reasons as loose headstocks, wheels, bad bearings, etc., obviously require a certain amount of 'lugging around' and the greater amount of effort needed to ring them should be supplied by using the back and shoulders; beyond this the body-weight may be used in whole or part by dropping at the knees rather than bending the waist. The best way to learn is by watching good, graceful ringers in action.

The varying weights of bells demand differences in style for success. Many people fondly imagine that a man six feet tall, three feet broad and 15 stone in weight is *ipso facto* a good man for the back end. This fallacy is quickly exploded if one considers the correlation between physical size and useful effect among generally acclaimed heavy-bell ringers; indeed great size is often a disadvantage in today's vogue for quicker ringing.

The heavier a bell the less is its rope friction in comparison with its weight, and thus the more they are able to 'ring themselves.' Skill is more important than strength in this branch of ringing, as in so many things, since the heavier bells should set the speed and provide the beat.

Light bells, particularly in higher numbers, are another special skill field, as the shorter period of rotation necessitates them being held up on the balance for comparatively long periods. It is essential to ring them to the balance quite accurately as over-pulling may result in them bouncing off the slider and under-pulling will prevent them reaching the balance. This is a more delicate skill than in ringing heavy bells and requires a sounder judgment of accuracy in striking by ear; the slower the ringing the more this is so. (In fact, one wonders whether some bands persist in slow ringing because they wish to show how well their front-enders can strike!) Complaints about ringing too quickly are at times heard from members of the 'slow' school. Surely, if the front-enders are not really capable of striking properly at a slower speed then it is better to accelerate to a speed in which they can stroke comfortably. After all, ringing can be speeded up quite considerably without discomfort to the back-end and

with little loss of accuracy in the striking as the back-end is only limited by the period of the tenor's rotation.

Two words in the previous paragraph are among the most important in the whole of ringing: **by ear**. Ringing is an activity producing an aural result and its effect can only be judged by the ear. Thus 90 per cent of our sensory checking of ringing accuracy should be by the ear, the eye serving only as the crudest judge and for checking others and in conducting. People with exceptional talent are able to check everything in ringing by ear alone.

A good style in ringing is not only desirable to prevent the distraction of others by antics, but to ring the bell in the most efficient way. This will avoid wasting useful energy or getting unduly tired or cramped when ringing for longish periods. Make full use of the arms, and the shoulders and back when needed, but save the use of the body-weight as a final resort in cases of tiredness.

The variations from normal which take place during method ringing are required in order to move the bell up or down one place rather than leaving it in the same position as is the case in round ringing. How often does the rhythm break when a band goes off into changes? Usually the slowing down that occurs is due to the second ringer not\* pushing the handstroke out into first place:

12345678  
21436587  
24163857  
42618375

etc.

and the even bells drifting to the lead causing the odd bells to hold up too much. Of course if this is pointed out the opposite state of affairs will often obtain and is possibly worse:

12345678  
2 1436587  
2 4163857

etc.

When going up it is necessary\* to ring **slightly** over the balance; and when coming down, **slightly** under.

Beware of getting a bell too far below the balance when coming down to the lead, and being unable to turn it away from the lead and getting into the back of the previous change. Similarly do not over-emphasise the cutting and holding when dodging. If a backstroke is cut too low when dodging up in even-bell methods (handstroke in odd-) it is often the case that a strong pull is given which over-compensates for the drop resulting in the following stroke being too high. The opposite case of this is doing nothing at all about a dodge and staying four blows in 34's place—halfway between the limits of a 3-4 dodge!

\* Advisable rather than necessary, since the effect can be achieved by holding the bell on the balance.



## Diocesan Cross passes through Suffolk

To mark the jubilee of the Diocese of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich a special cross and arrows is passing from parish to parish and will arrive at Bury St. Edmunds in June.

The cross, the gift of the Readers of the Diocese, was designed by Mr. Jack Penton, a Suffolk artist, and was made entirely by Suffolk craftsmen. The silver cross rises through a gilt crown, bearing four gilt balls pierced with arrows—commemorating the martyrdom of King Edmund. The ebony staff is inlaid with silver fillets bearing the names of every parish in the diocese. The whole is surmounted by the Star of Bethlehem. Altogether a very beautiful and impressive piece of work.

During the progress around the diocese the cross and arrows spent some three months in the area covered by the South-Eastern District of the Suffolk Guild. A special effort was made by the ringers in the district to make sure that all the bells in the district were rung on the actual day that the progress visited the parishes. Of the 26 usable rings in the District, 16 were rung to quarter peals. Special ringing was arranged at Bredfield, Woodbridge, Otley and Hasketon as well. Special ringing at Copdock was cancelled at the last minute because of heavy fog.

The 16 quarter peals were rung by a grand total of 51 ringers. Of the quarter peals worth special mention those at Grundisburgh, Tuddenham, St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich, St. Matthew's, Ipswich, and Rushmere St. Andrew and Offton were rung by the local bands. Two youngsters rang their first quarters. Neville Whittell took part in nine of the quarter peals.

H. W. E.

### THE QUARTER PEALS

**HIINTLESHAM, SUFFOLK.**—On Dec. 15th, 1963, 1.440 London Surprise Minor: R. W. Stewart 1, Miss A. E. J. Lester 2, N. F. Whittell 3, R. Kersey 4, R. L. K. Whittell 5, H. W. Egglestone (cond.) 6.

**SPOUGHTON, SUFFOLK.**—On Dec. 29th, 1963, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: R. L. K. Whittell 1, P. May 2, Miss A. E. J. Lester 3, N. F. Whittell 4, A. R. Bridges 5, R. W. Stewart (cond.) 6.

**UFFORD, SUFFOLK.**—On Jan. 12th, 1964, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. M. E. Egglestone 1, Mrs. P. Harris 2, K. W. Whittell 3, P. Harris 4, A. T. Beckwith 5, L. H. Pizze 6, H. W. Egglestone (cond.) 7, N. F. Whittell 8.

**GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.**—On Jan. 17th, 1964, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: C. W. Pipe (cond.) 1, C. R. Lovett 2, Mrs. B. Downing 3, G. W. Pipe 4, Mrs. S. R. E. Pipe 5, E. G. Pearce 6, R. Downing 7, F. J. Crapnell 8.

**TUDDENHAM, SUFFOLK.**—On Jan. 19th, 1964, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Dilly (first quarter) 1, D. H. P. Buxton 2, J. W. Crapnell 3, R. G. Crooks 4, C. W. J. Woodard 5, J. L. Girt (first quarter as cond.) 6.

**IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.**—At St. Mary-Le-Tower, on Jan. 23rd, 1964, 1.260 Plain Bob Royal: M. C. Garrod 1, G. R. Goodship 2, G. E. Symonds 3, P. May 4, R. L. K. Whittell 5, A. R. Bridges 6, N. F. Whittell 7, J. B. Morley (cond.) 8, A. T. Beckwith 9, L. N. Melton 10.

**IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.**—At St. Clement's on Jan. 29th, 1964, 1.260 Minor (720 London, 540 Plain Bob): P. J. Harris 1, Mrs. P. J. Harris 2, R. L. K. Whittell 3, N. F. Whittell 4, J. B. Morley 5, L. N. Melton (cond.) 6.

**IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.**—At St. Margaret's, on Feb. 2nd, 1964, 1.280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: P. Whittell 1, E. G. Bloomfield 2, A. R. Bridges 3, J. B. Morley (cond.) 4, J. R. Munnings 5, K. W. Whittell 6, R. L. K. Whittell 7, C. Woodard 8.

**IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.**—At St. Matthew's, on Feb. 7th, 1964, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. C. Taylor 1, R. C. Kersey 2, Mrs. P. J. Harris 3, P. J. Harris 4, G. Leach 5, C. Aldous (cond.) 6.

**RUSHMERE ST. ANDREW, SUFFOLK.**—On Feb. 8th, 1964, 1.296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: K. J. Nunn 1, F. E. Wiseman 2, D. H. P. Buxton 3, C. J. Woodard 4, J. L. Girt 5, J. W. Crapnell (first in method as cond.) 6.

**BRAMFORD, SUFFOLK.**—On Feb. 9th, 1964, 1.296 Surprise Minor (720 Cambridge and Ipswich, 576 Cambridge): Mrs. M. E. Egglestone 1, R. E. Lester 2, Miss A. E. J. Lester 3, N. F. Whittell 4, A. T. Beckwith 5, H. W. Egglestone (cond.) 6.

**OFFTON, SUFFOLK.**—On Feb. 15th, 1964, 1.440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: W. Minns 1, Miss S. L. Goodship 2, E. Lockwood 3, Mrs. W. Lockwood 4, R. E. Lester (cond.) 5, G. R. Goodship 6.

**ASHBOCKING, SUFFOLK.**—On March 1st, 1964, 1.260 Plain Bob Minor: R. C. Groom (first quarter) 1, H. W. Egglestone 2, Mrs. M. E. Egglestone 3, N. F. Whittell 4, A. T. Beckwith (cond.) 5, S. Bloomfield 6.

**HENLEY, SUFFOLK.**—On March 1st, 1964, 1.280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Mrs. M. E. Egglestone 1, R. C. Kersey 2, Miss A. E. J. Lester 3, R. E. Lester 4, A. T. Beckwith 5, N. F. Whittell 6, S. Bloomfield 7, H. W. Egglestone (cond.) 8.

**HOLLESLEY, SUFFOLK.**—On March 21st, 1964, 1.280 Plain Bob Major: A. Munnings 1, R. C. Kersey 2, J. R. Munnings 3, R. L. K. Whittell 4, Miss A. E. J. Lester 5, K. W. Whittell 6, N. F. Whittell 7, A. T. Beckwith (cond.) 8.

**BLAXHALL, SUFFOLK.**—On March 26th, 1964, 1.296 Minor (720 Oxford T.B., 576 Cambridge): A. T. Beckwith 1, F. Shaw 2, N. F. Whittell 3, R. L. K. Whittell 4, H. W. Egglestone (cond.) 5, E. Steward 6.

### PAMBER PRIORY DEFIES ALLCOMERS

Since writing the first account of the ringing of the four bells hung in the Priory Church at Pamber, near Basingstoke, a number of visiting bands have tried their hands at ringing on these bells, the claim made by the writer as having the longest free draught in the country having been confirmed by two of the visitors with over 2,000 towers to their credit.

The bells were rung for service shortly after they were reopened by a mixed band from Thatcham and Highclere. Ringing consisted of chiming and ringing them halfway up in peal. The Rector, in his sermon, made a special point of thanking the team for their interest in the bells.

A week or so later a band from Thatcham and Newbury spent a full evening changing two of the old ropes for specially spliced ones, which made the bells easier to handle, but even so a dozen whole pulls were all that was managed before the bells either went over or came down.

The next band, mainly from London, including the tenor king, Mr. Pat Cannon, who had come specially to turn the tenor into Minimus, were no more successful, rounds on four being all that was achieved before a couple of bells going over completed the effort.

Another party, also from the London area, fared no better, whilst local ringers from Longparish had difficulty in raising the bells and had to be satisfied with ringing them halfway up.

A local party from Kingsclere finally rang the longest length of rounds at the third attempt on March 21st. The first resulted in a broken rope, the second in a bell going over, and at the third 21 full pulls in rounds with all the bells striking correctly and a further 30 of uneven rounds was the longest the bells have been rung by any visiting band.

The writer challenges any band to ring proper changes on these bells, in fact the first band successfully to ring a plain course of Minimus, he will buy them beer all round.

G. I.

### LONG LENGTH OF GRANDSIRE CATERS

Dear Sir,—I give notice that on Saturday, April 11th, at the Bell Foundry Campanile, Loughborough, the University of Bristol will attempt to ring a peal of 24,119 Grandsire Caters, starting at 8 a.m. The conductor will be Tudor P. Edwards, and the composition by Albert M. Tyler is appended.—Yours sincerely, PATRICK J. BIRD.

Kingswood, Bristol.

### 24,119 GRANDSIRE CATERS

By ALBERT M. TYLER

23456789	1	3	4	34295678	1	4
23456789				24536978	'A'	
32456987	2	3	4	45236	'A'	3
	2	3	4	54236879	'A'	4
25436	1	2	3	45236	'A'	4
42536	1	2	3S	52643	'A'	4
64235	1	2	3S	26543	'A'	4
23495678			3S	62543978	'A'	4
				25643	'A'	4
52394	1	2	3S	65324	'A'	4
45293	1	2	3S	53624	'A'	4
34592	1	2	3S	35624879	'A'	4
53492	1	2	3	56324	'A'	4
25394	1	2	3S	36452	'A'	4
				64352	'A'	4
42593	1	2	3S	46352978	'A'	4
54293	1	2	3	36452	'A'	4
25493	1	2	3	43265	'A'	4
32594	1	2	3S	32465	'A'	4
				23465879	'A'	4
43295	1	2	3S	34265	'A'	4
24395	1	2	3			
32495	1	2	3			
53294	1	2	3S			
45392	1	2	3S			
24593	1	2	3S			
52493	1	2	3			
35294	1	2	3S			
43592	1	2	3S			
54392	1	2	3			
35492	1	2	3			
23594	1	2	3S			
42395	1	2	3S			
34295	1	2	3			

### HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION Conductors' Practice

On February 29th the St. Albans District held the first of its special conductors' practices at St. Stephen's, St. Albans. About 15 young people, mostly in their teens, attended and everybody called at least one touch, several for the very first time, of either Plain Bob or Grandsire. The more advanced had the bells 'mixed up' for them and they then had to call them round. It was thought unfair to burden the District Ringing Master with any out of course meetings so Mr. R. D. R. Brown was Ringing Master for the evening.

### VISIT TO COVENTRY

The St. Albans District went by coach to Coventry to see the new Cathedral for their third annual Lent outing. Those who felt that they should be able to read an easy message in everything were not very pleased but those with more open minds were thrilled, chiefly by the boldness of the church and its adornments. We stayed to Evensong but the service was rather a disappointment as participation by the congregation was kept to an absolute minimum.

Before returning home we rang on Stoke St. Michael's pleasant fast-going eight. At Harpenden, where Mrs. Coburn, the secretary and organiser, left the coach, Chris Rimmer made a valiant and fairly successful effort to gain everybody's attention for a vote of thanks.

J. D. C.

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# The Ten to represent English Ringing at Washington



The band selected to ring on Ascension Day at Washington when the Gloria in Excelsior tower is dedicated, photographed outside Westminster Abbey. From left to right Messrs. Wilfrid Moreton (Wakefield Cathedral), Frank Price (Crowthorne, Berks, previously in America with Groton School), Harold Pitstow (Westminster Abbey), Harry Parkes (Sittingbourne, gave Washington ringers first lessons), John Chilcott (St. Paul's Cathedral, London), John Freeman (Lincoln Cathedral, vice-president Central Council), Norman Chaddock, Rotherham, convenor Sunday Service Ringing and Education Committee, Central Council), George E. Fearn (Birmingham Cathedral), Peter Staniforth (Leicester Cathedral), George Pipe (convenor of Overseas Committee, Central Council, formerly Melbourne Cathedral).

## EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD

Appropriately, the East Grinstead and District Guild held its annual meeting on March 14th at Coleman's Hatch, where the Guild president, the Rev. J. R. Missen, is Vicar. He conducted the service which followed the afternoon's ringing, and the recently-elected vice-president (Canon T. F. C. Bewes, of SS. Peter and Paul's, Tonbridge) read the lesson.

Tea was taken in Church House with over 70 sitting down to an excellent meal prepared by Mr. J. Ryman and his helpers. An interlude was provided by a course of Grandsire Triples on the handbells, before the business meeting was held.

During the year the Guild visited Leigh and Tonbridge (23 attending), Coleman's Hatch (50), Oxted and Limpsfield (13), Cowfold and Lower Beeding (14), Fletching (15), Brasted and Sundridge (33), Nutfield and Godstone (29), Horsham (38), Horsted Parva and Maresfield (31). The route for the annual outing was chosen and will be held in October.

Officers elected were: President, the Rev. J. R. Missen; chairman, Mr. B. E. Jeffrey; vice-chairman, Mr. J. E. Warner; secretary, Miss Margaret A. Ladd; treasurer, Mr. C. W. Hancock; Central Council representative, Mr. E. J. Ladd; committee, Mr. G. Fry, Mrs. Ann Jenner and Mr. S. Jenner.

The chairman congratulated members on their attendance at meetings during the past year and especially at this annual meeting, with the highest attendance since the founding of the Guild in 1927. He commented on the number of younger people who were supporting the Guild each month. Over all, it had been a very encouraging year. Ringing continued at Coleman's Hatch and Witherham until 9 p.m.

M. A. L.

## NEARLY £450 RAISED FOR WASHINGTON VISIT

Mr. Douglas Hughes writes on behalf of Dean Sayre to express grateful thanks to all those ringers who, individually and in groups, have contributed so generously to the fund and thus helped to secure the success of the visit of 10 English ringers to Washington to ring for the opening of the Gloria in Excelsior tower in the American Cathedral.

Nearly £450 has been raised here, enough to cover three return air fares, and this, Mr. Hughes feels, is a worthwhile contribution. The remainder has been found among friends and well wishers in the United States.

The heartening theme throughout has been the universal expression of goodwill in the letters from donors both to the band and to the work they will do during their short stay.

They leave on Saturday, May 2nd, at 11 a.m., and their itinerary commences immediately upon their arrival at Washington.

An intensive training programme for the resident ringers is being prepared and this will occupy much of the time. The band leaves Washington on Saturday, May 9th, in the evening, and returns via Boston, Mass., where they hope to stop and ring at Groton School on the Sunday.

They will arrive back in London early in the morning on Monday, May 11th.

## 50 YEARS AGO

'THE RINGING WORLD,' APRIL 10th, 1914  
Bomb at St. Martin's. — The famous Church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, London, well known to ringers on account of its ring of 12 bells, was seriously damaged on Sunday night by the explosion of a bomb, attributed to the militant suffragettes.

## LONG LENGTH LOST AT BIRMINGHAM

The attempt to ring 16,368 changes of Cambridge Surprise, Maximus at St. Philip's Cathedral, Birmingham, on Easter Monday, March 30th, 1964, regrettably failed after approximately 10,700 changes in 7 hours 39 minutes. The band assembled at the Cathedral at 8.40 a.m. and were welcomed by the Provost and Mr. George Fearn.

Several Birmingham ringers and many from other parts of the county were also there to wish the band success. After three 'false starts,' due to the rope of the second slipping wheel, a fresh rope fitted and part of the stay of the second removed, the bells went into changes at 9.28 a.m.

The ringing was excellent for most of the attempt, a rather slow rate of striking (by Birmingham standards) of 22½ minutes per course, or 3 hrs. 45 minutes for a normal peal, was maintained throughout. Several visitors, including Mr. Walter Judge, from Oxford, and Mr. Roger Fry, came to listen to the ringing during the day.

Each course was carefully checked and timed by the umpire, and all went well until 5.07 p.m. Suddenly the tenor rope slipped wheel, which made it impossible to control the bell and brought an abrupt end to a very creditable performance. The bells were stood up at 5.07 p.m.

I am sure the band are not disheartened by this unfortunate end to a very gallant attempt, and that another attempt may be arranged later in the year.

JOHN A. ACRES.  
(Umpire.)

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# Letters to the Editor

## First to Ring for Royal Birth

Dear Sir.—The ringers of the village Church of St. Peter, Welford-on-Avon, have again claimed to be the first to ring the bells on the birth of a royal baby.

Ten minutes after the B.B.C. announcement of the birth of the new prince, the bells rang out heralding the news; this is the fourth time, previous occasions being for the Prince of Wales, Princess Anne, Prince Andrew.

Is there any other tower claiming this record?—Yours faithfully,

D. HUGHES.

Welford-on-Avon.

## Methods Identified

Dear Sir.—Regarding the peal of Doubles at Loughborough on January 31st, the methods as rung by the Peterborough Guild are as follows:

A is Rushall, B is All Saints, C is Marchington, D is Litchurch, E is Thurlby, G is St. Blaise.

St. David is Reverse Canterbury with an Antelope single as a bob, St. George is Winchendon Place with a half lead of Original as a bob and Old bob as a single.—Yours faithfully,

PETERBOROUGH GUILD MEMBER.

## Plain Bob Doubles Family

Dear Sir.—Plain Bob Doubles rung with an Antelope single was rung to a handbell peal in 1961, as Litchurch Doubles. St. David's Doubles is Reverse Canterbury with Antelope singles. This also has been rung to a complete peal. There are also the following variations using Antelope singles.

Plain course method Variation

St. Simon	Doveridge
St. Martin	Elton
St. Nicholas	Winster
Winchendon	Chelmorton
St. Remigius	Heath
St. Osmund	Shirland
Shipway's Pl.	Plesley

The following are also variations not yet published.

Plain Course Method

Call	St. Remigius	St. Osmund	Shipway's Pl
Plain Bob			
Bob	Ch. Greasley	St. Osmund	Shipway's Pl
Old Bob			
Single	Ault Hucknall	Pentrich	Brailsford
Rev. Cant.			
Bob	St. Remigius	Foremark	Longford
Grandsire			
Single	Horsley	Muggington	St. Alkmund
Grandsire			
Extreme	Osmaston	S. Werburgh	Lathkill

—Yours sincerely,

DAVID K. WALKLATE.

Derby.

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## Another 'Bellringer' for America

Dear Sir.—As one who has had the good fortune to be invited to go to Washington I am loth to enter into correspondence on the question of the choice of the band.

However, I think it is regrettable that it should have been left to a Lincolnshire local newspaper to disclose to the Exercise the identity of an 11th 'bellringer,' details of whom are given in the enclosed cutting.

All I can say, after reading it, is 'What a full life some bellringers lead!'—Yours sincerely,

JOHN FREEMAN.

Lincoln.

Note.—The newspaper cutting refers to 'Black Bellringer' of Thorn, stock bull in Osmond and Sons Ltd.'s Barnoldby herd, Grimsby, having been sold for export to the United States. This famous Aberdeen Angus bull was sold by his Perthshire breeder, Mr. Alan H. B. Grant, for 17,000 guineas. 'Black Bellringer' leaves early in June.

## Tenor Ringers

Dear Sir.—I would like to answer Mr. Robert C. Kippin with a few statistics and so let him judge for himself (letter, page 204). I weigh 13 stone, height 5ft. 9in., chest (normal) 42½in, age 7. I have rung tenor bells of various weights, ranging from the six cwt. tenor at St. Mary's, Carlton, to the 41 cwt. 1 ur. 20 lb. tenor of St. John's, Beverley.

The letter of Mr. David C. Brookes, of Putney, was a real tonic. I have never been bitten yet and, without boasting, but by the grace of God, I have had the great privilege of ringing the tenor in many ringing contests for various bands.

The last contest I rang in was the Barnsley and District Association Open Shield Contest held at Wortley on June 8th, 1963. By the way, I rang the tenor for the winning band, the test being 720 changes: we rang Oxford.—Yours sincerely,

HARRY MANN.

Silkstone, near Barnsley.

## Brotherhood of Ringers

Dear Sir.—'Ringing is a great joy and a service to the Church of which one can be justly proud' (Donald A. Franks, 'R.W.' page 188, 1963).

'Ringers are now recognised as office bearers in the church, and their work is more clearly seen as an offering of praise to God. Their hobby... is no less dedicated to the worship of the Creator...' (Edgar C. Shepherd, 'R.W.' page 305).

'...give credit to brilliant youngsters' (peal at St. Neots) (E. Jobling, page 437).

'...generosity... was a true act of Christian friendship towards a fellow bellringer' (C. Pluckrose, page 645).

'...may the bells give pleasure to the ringer' (page 691, Rev. F. F. Rigby).

These quotations are not taken from old 'Bell News' copies but from 'Ringing Worlds' of 1963. I could choose many, many quotations from past issues referring to the 'Brotherhood of Ringers.' Much of the recent correspondence in 'The Ringing World' has been far from brotherly, in fact some of it has been hostile, not to mention sarcastic letters and petty things. May I suggest that some of this is cleared up? If ringers have to be unpleasant, surely they can choose some different way than publishing childish letters in 'The Ringing World.'—Yours sincerely,

MICHAEL J. UPHILL.

Isleworth, Middx.

## Legal Query

Dear Sir.—I would like, through your columns, to enquire about the legal position when one tower lends a set of ropes to another and the borrower fails to return them.

No documents were signed regarding this loan, but the situation was known by at least a dozen people when the loan took place.—Yours faithfully,

DAVID KING.

Cheshunt.

## Technical Literature

Dear Sir.—I entirely agree with Mr. McClenahan (page 170) that the results of research should be published.

To avoid duplication of effort, especially tedious non-intellectual effort, notification of lines of research should be given at an early stage. This can speed up progress by enabling others to make contributions and can act as a spur to the author himself. In scientific circles, such a facility is available through periodicals in which advances are communicated and discussed. Consolidation of results in a formal textbook is deferred until the work is, for the time being, complete and generally accepted.

In our case, the only practicable forum for technical discussion is 'The Ringing World,' but outbursts of activity have been short-lived. on the excuse, I suspect, that few readers are interested in such articles. The increasing number of readers reaching university standard nowadays suggests that a greater proportion would make use of any space earmarked for theoretical subjects. I suggest that an average of one page per issue should be reserved for this purpose throughout the year and that matter to fill it should be actively sought.

If this were done, the publication of books by the Central Council could justifiably be confined to established and finalised subjects, particularly reference books of fundamental data. Even judged on this restricted basis, the Council's output so far is lamentably low.

Where, for instance, is the collection of all methods ever rung? It has been an obvious necessity ever since Corrigan's booklets appeared, even if it was not obvious before. At the annual general meeting of the Middlesex Association last year you, sir, proposed publishing a list of all named Surprise Major methods as an interim measure prior to publication in book form. Why was this not done? The delay is inexcusable since, according to the Central Council minutes on page 190, the Methods Committee were given authority to proceed.

Why is there no textbook on the fundamentals of ringing theory such as proof, q-sets, and composition? Such a book or series of books is obviously needed.

A less obvious omission is the Collected Papers of J. A. Trollope, which could readily be taken from the files of this paper and would partly offset the lack of a comprehensive textbook.

And now that Hudson and McClenahan have shown the way, the Council have the opportunity to continue their work by commissioning a computer to produce all Surprise Major methods with places wrong.

If lack of money hampers the Council, it is their own fault: they should charge economic prices. Abnormally low prices might attract sales of household necessities under highly competitive conditions, but are ludicrous for specialised books addressed to a small public, and appealing to only a minority of that public. The last balance sheet (June 21st, 1963, page 410) implies that it will take two years' income from sales to recover the 1962 expenditure on book printing, and only one (which cost them next to nothing) was a new title, the others being reprints. If the Council are determined to subsidise the mythical ringer who cannot afford ten or fifteen shillings for a book, the affiliation fee should be increased to compensate for the falling value of the pound. I would have thought, however, that any cases of hardship could best be dealt with at family or association level rather than by selling all books too cheaply. It is significant that charitable contributions to 'The Ringing World' nearly equalled the expenditure on books, so that subsidies seem to be going round in a circle and are presumably unnecessary.

Whatever solution is adopted, there are signs of an increasing determination by ringers interested in technical aspects that their requirements shall be met. If those in control of the Central Council will not satisfy the demand, they ought to announce their refusal at the Whitsun meeting, in order that other sources of supply can be investigated without delay.

MAURICE HODGSON.

Chesham.



## LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION

THE annual general meeting of the Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association was held at All Saints', Newport, on Easter Monday, when about 100 members and visitors were present, including one of the highly respected Past Masters, Mr. A. J. Pitman, and his wife, who had travelled from Leamington for the meeting.

The service was conducted by the Rev. I. J. Richards, assisted by the Rev. R. Hallett, both practising members of the Association. In his address Mr. Richards drew attention to the prominent part that All Saints' Church and its members had played in the history of the Association, it being the home tower of that great stalwart of the past, Mr. J. W. Jones.

An excellent tea had been prepared by the ladies of the parish and this was followed by the meeting, at which the chair was taken by the Rev. I. J. Richards, supported by the Master, Mr. F. J. Hannington.

The chairman paid tributes to the following members who had died during the year: Seymour Barker (Cardiff), Robert E. Coles (Cowbridge) Leonard H. Jones (Monmouth), W. Lambert (Pontypridd) and Mick Trickey (Llangibby). The meeting stood in silence to their memory.

Arising from the minutes, the Master thanked the members for the presentation made to his wife, on his behalf, at the last meeting on completion of his 17 years as hon. secretary.

### ARCHBISHOP'S THANKS

In his report, the hon. secretary, Mr. M. J. Pryor, reported that all Branch meetings had been well attended and the accent on youth foretold well for the future of the Association. The Monmouth Branch held a successful meeting at a four-bell tower. The new extensions to St. Woolos' Cathedral, Newport, were consecrated on October 16th, and members rang the bells for both the afternoon and evening services on that day. A letter had been received from the Archbishop of Wales complimenting the Association on the work it was doing and thanking the members for the ringing for the consecration services.

The secretary congratulated the ringers at Usk and Llandaff Cathedral for the fine work they had carried out to improve their ringing chambers. In accordance with the policy of the Central Council contact had been made with St. Michael's Theological College, Llandaff, and a lecture on 'Bells, Bellringers and Change Ringing' had been given to the students, and it was hoped to repeat this lecture at two-yearly intervals.

During the year Mr. John Phillips, who was Master of the Association in 1931, was elected Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths, and it is fitting that the Society has accepted an invitation to hold the 1964 Provincial meeting in Cardiff on Saturday, June 6th.

### 47 PEALS

During the year, 47 peals were rung and the list reveals a steady improvement in the standard, covering a very wide variety of methods. The peals include the first peal of Surprise Royal rung by an all-resident band and peals by the Sunday service bands at Whitchurch and Llandaff Cathedral. Mr. David Llewellyn has

continued his work of compiling a card index of all peals ever rung for the Association and had answered numerous queries concerning past peals. The secretary thanked the Branch secretaries for their great work during the year.

The hon. treasurer, the Rev. I. J. Richards, presented the accounts, and in his report stated that: 'This is the first year's working after our decision to increase the annual subscription to 3s. Though it did not meet with the approval of all members it has proved acceptable to the majority and is partly responsible for the slight increase in our balance. But I must hasten to repeat what I have so often said at our annual meetings, but which seems to be taken for granted, no claim for expenses was made by our representative on the Central Council who was able to attend, nor by the Association's officers other than postage and printing. They deserve our best thanks. They set a splendid example to us by their devotion to the affairs of the Association.'

The reports were adopted and the officers concerned thanked.

Mr. Jack James, of Monmouth, was elected Master for the year and invested with his badge of office by the retiring Master, Mr. Fred Hannington. The hon. secretary, hon. treasurer and hon. auditors were re-elected and thanked for their services.

A motion to revise the Association's Form of Service was defeated. Miss Ann Thomas, of Rumney, was congratulated on becoming a Queen's Guide.

The appointment of official instructors was discussed but it was felt that this matter was better left in the hands of towers adjacent to those requiring such service and that learners should be encouraged to attend practices other than at their own towers to further their skill.

The next annual general meeting will be held at St. John's, Cardiff, on Easter Monday, 1965.

The meeting concluded with the usual votes of thanks to all who had assisted in ensuring the success of the meeting.

Ringling on tower- and handbells took place both before and after the meeting in a very wide variety of methods. M. J. P.

## CUMBERLAND BELLMASTER RETIRES

At the annual church meeting of St. Kentigern's, Crosthwaite, Keswick, the tower secretary, Mr. J. W. Brownrigg, when reporting on the bellringers, said a rather sad milestone had been reached in the history of Crosthwaite belfry by the retirement of the bellmaster, Mr. Tom Hogarth, after 40 years in that office and 60 years as a ringer. The Hogarth family had been connected with the belfry for nearly 100 years and he hoped Mr. Hogarth's health would allow him to continue the associations for many years to come.

The Vicar, Canon F. H. Marshall, then presented Mr. Hogarth with a stainless steel bowl, engraved with a bell and suitably inscribed, made at the Keswick Industrial Arts. He said it was a token of their appreciation of his long and valuable service.

On the proposition of Mr. Hogarth, Mr. J. W. Brownrigg was unanimously appointed the bellmaster.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD Marlborough Branch

The quarterly meeting of the Marlborough Branch was held at Pewsey on March 21st and attracted an attendance of over 30. The easy-going six of pleasant tone at the Church of St. John the Baptist were put to good use throughout the afternoon and evening under the direction of the Rev. Roger Keeley (Ringing Master). Ringing was also provided for two weddings. The Guild service was conducted by the Rector (the Ven. C. A. Plaxton), who is a change ringer and gave an appropriate address. The Rev. A. R. Woodford (curate) was organist.

Tea was taken at a nearby hotel and the business meeting followed. In the absence of the chairman (Mr. G. Newman) the Rev. R. Keeley presided. An apology for absence was read from the hon. secretary (Mr. T. A. Palmer), who was in bed with a severe attack of lumbago. A letter of sympathy and best wishes for his speedy recovery is to be sent him. The statement of accounts for 1963 showed a slightly increased balance in hand.

Subject to permission, towers mentioned for future meetings were Aldbourne, Ramsbury and St. Katherine's (Savernake Forest). As a measure of the enthusiasm now prevailing in the Branch, a proposal that in view of the Diocesan Festival being held in Marlborough in May, the meeting for that month should be dispensed with failed to find a seconder! This is all to the good, and the number of young people present augurs well for the future. W. A. E.

## OBITUARY

### THE REV. G. C. P. HILTON BRIGGS

The village of Cookham, Berks, suffered a tragic blow in the sudden death of its greatly beloved Vicar, Rev. Peter Briggs, on March 26th. Fr. Briggs was a great friend of the ringers, as were also his wife and family, and he never failed to visit the belfry every Sunday to greet his ringers, a duty many other clergy might emulate. A half-muffled peal to his memory was rung on April 4th, and his family were waiting in the belfry to express their thanks, and visited the band afterwards to ascertain whether the attempt was successful.

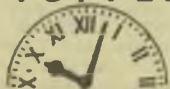
The late Vicar's son and daughter can both handle a bell. Ringers who have been to Cookham can testify to the warmth of the hospitality extended to them by Mr. and Mrs. Briggs at the Vicarage. He will be sadly missed by villagers and ringers alike. W. B.

### AN APPRECIATION

The prime mover in having the bells of Holy Trinity Church, Bengoe, Herts, recast as a war memorial was the then Rector, the Rev. G. C. P. Hilton Briggs. It was fitting that these bells should be rung half-muffled to a quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles on the day of his death.

Although not a ringer, Mr. Briggs was particularly keen on keeping the bells ringing and he never failed to visit the belfry at least once a week. He showed the same interest in the bells of Holy Trinity Church, Cookham-on-Thames, where he had been for the past three years.

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# THE BELLS OF BALE, NORFOLK

THE village of Bale, standing one mile from the Holt-Fakenham road, is rarely visited, except perhaps by those interested in the 15th century glass in the church. Ringers certainly have not made a point of including it on outings in recent years. The Church of All Saints stands at a cross roads, its 60 ft. tower dwarfed by the massive bulk of Bale oaks. During the last six years the church has been restored by the village, and on Palm Sunday a service of thanksgiving was held. At this service the ring of five bells was rededicated.

Few rings can have had a more chequered history than these. Legend supposes them to have been stolen from the neighbouring village of Gunthorpe. In the 16th century inventories of church goods we find at Bale: 'iij bells, the largest by estimation x cwt.' Of the three, the treble was recast in 1647 and the tenor in 1658. In 1839, Thomas Hurry, of Norwich, was commissioned to augment the bells to five. This he did by the addition of two trebles to the existing three. These were not stolen from Gunthorpe, but had been brought from the Church of St. Michael-at-Thorn, Norwich. By 1902 repairs had become necessary. It would seem that the work was entrusted to the Cooper Steam Digger Co., of King's Lynn, for the third of the five was recast to their order in that year by the Loughborough Foundry.

Later, in the same year, the second was recast, again by the Loughborough Foundry, to the order of the Farmers' Foundry, of Ryburgh, who, it seems, carried out the re-hanging. Thus the bells have hung since 1902, but by the 1930's the bells were considered difficult. Tales are told of bands unable to contend with the rough 'go' of the bells and the phrase 'grindstone bearings' has been applied. In recent years they have been regarded as unringable and are so listed in the report of the Norwich Diocesan Association of Ringers, and in 'Dove'.

In the 1950's an attempt was made to resurrect the bells, but after cleaning up, patching wheels and general renovations, efforts were thwarted when the bearings of the tenor broke and the bells wedged obliquely across her pit. The bells were again silent and unringable until this year.

In January of this year an inspection of the tower revealed the tenor with broken bearings and the first four with very stiff bearings. It was then decided that, if possible, an attempt would be made to rehang the tenor and renovate the other four bells. The work was undertaken by boys from Gresham's School, Holt, who, under the supervision of a master, carried out the necessary work, cycling in all weathers to Bale in their spare time. Much practical help and encouragement was given by the Rector, the Rev. R. G. R. Stone, and the churchwarden, Mr. D. Hammond, an old Greshamian.

On the first visit, a snowy January day, large M. & G.N. railway sleepers were sawn into convenient lengths, hauled by hand to the bell chamber and placed under the unsafe tenor. On a further visit the bell was eased by ropes and crowbars back to her rightful place. Wedges were inserted between the sleepers and the bell and the canon straps slackened off, the bell resting on the sleepers. After removing the headstock and lowering it to the ground, the gudgeons and broken bearings were removed and the stock sent to Whitechapel. Mears and Stainbank fitted new gudgeons and ball bearings and returned the stock to Holt. After conveyance to Bale the stock was carefully hoisted to the bell chamber.

The bearings, mounted on oak blocks made at the school workshop, were screwed down using immense coach screws which took 2½ hours to insert. The canon straps were replaced and the bell remounted on her headstock. The wedges and sleepers were removed and the bell was now swinging from her own bearings. The fittings were finally replaced on March 20th, 1964, and with much trepidation the bell was raised for the first time and found to run amazingly well. Thus for the first time the bells could safely be rung. The first four bells, had, by now, been attended to, the stiff bearings eased with liberal

doses of oil and the garter holes redrilled to ensure easier handling.

During the 125 years since the purchasing of the secondhand bells, the ring has been repaired by the Cooper Steam Digger Co., rehanged by the Farmers' Foundry and now, in 1964, restored by a team of schoolboy enthusiasts.

## REDEDICATION, PALM SUNDAY

The bells were rededicated on March 22nd, 1964, in the presence of a fairly large congregation. As the rehanging had been done by boys, it was fitting that the congregation should include several masters from Gresham's, one of whom played the organ. Lessons were read by two boys, Nigel F. Briggs and Peter N. Mackley, both of whom had taken part in the work of rehanging. The Rector, after giving an account of the work done, proceeded to the tower, where five ringers waited, and performed the dedication. After prayers the tenor was rung alone and then the dedicatory rounds were rung by Gresham's ringers. Those taking part were Paul Cattermole 1, Richard A. J. Bower 2, W. M. Benedick Young 3, Andrew Sawyer 4, Paul S. Royds-Jones 5. In his address the Rector thanked the boys for their untiring efforts and rejoiced in the fact that it was once more possible for Bale bells to ring out to the glory of God. In the congregation were Mr. F. C. Goodman, Ringing Master of the Norwich Diocesan Association and Mr. T. Owen, Master of the Western Branch of the Association. After the service the bells were rung in rounds and their help was very welcome. It is very pleasing to feel that Bale is once more on the ringing map.

## DETAILS OF THE BELLS

**Treble.**—Date 1710. Weight C 4½ cwt. Note D. 'Charles Newman made mee 1710.'

This bell, a rough casting, originally hung in the tower of St. Michael-at-Thorn, Norwich, and was brought to Bale in 1839. St. Michael's, badly damaged during World War II, has been demolished and it is pleasing that the voice of one of its bells should still be heard.

**Second.**—Date 1902. Weight 5 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lbs. Note C. 'Nobis: Succurre: Michael: Gabriel: Raphael.' (On waist) 'John Taylor and Co., Loughborough, Recast 1902.'

The original bell, whose inscription has been copied in the recasting, was made by an unknown founder in c. 1440 and first hung at St. Michael's.

**Third.**—Date 1902. Weight 5 cwt. 3 qr. 12 lbs. Note B. 'John Brend made me 1647' (on waist as second bell).

This bell had been cast in Norwich by Brend and was recast in 1902.

**Fourth.**—Date c. 1480. Weight c. 7½ cwt. Note A. 'Hac in conclave Gabriel nuc pange suave' (in Gothic black letter).

By Brasyer of Norwich, this bell is a beautiful casting and of fine tone.

**Tenor.**—Date 1658. Weight C. 9¼ cwt. Note G. 'Elias Brend made me 1658.'

The bells hang in an oak frame of 1902, the first four on plain bearings installed in 1902, the tenor on 1964 ball-bearings. The bells are rung from the ground floor and run quite well.

## GAINSBOROUGH WEDDINGS

This Easter has been a busy time for Gainsborough, Lincs, ringers with two special weddings at All Saints' Church. On Easter Monday Miss Rosemary Ann Roberts, daughter of Canon J. E. Roberts, president of the West Lindsey Branch of the Lincoln Guild, was married to Mr. Adrian John Crispin Gray. Canon Roberts deputised for the Bishop of Grimsby, who was indisposed. Among the bridesmaids was the small daughter of the Rev. P. M. Freeman, one-time curate of All Saints' and now Vicar of Messingham.

Both the bride and bridegroom at the next day's ceremony are accomplished local ringers. They were Miss Delia Ellen Smith and Mr. Alastair Robin Heppenstall, M.A. Another Gainsborough ringer, Miss Pauline Bull, was a bridesmaid.

The bells were rung before and after each ceremony by the local band.

## QUARTER PEALS

### In Honour of H.M. the Queen's Third Son

**BALCOMBE, SUSSEX.**—On March 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: D. J. Laker 1, A. A. Hilton (first 'inside') 2, F. J. Roberts 3, S. H. Wood 4, E. S. Laker 5, A. E. Laker 6, E. H. Knapp (first in method as cond.) 7, R. E. Stoner 8. Also for D. J. Laker, on the birth of a second son.

**CONGRESBURY, SOMERSET.**—On March 19th, 1,280 Superlative Surprise Major: Elisabeth A. G. Bowden 1, Gillian Hussey 2, M. J. Horseman 3, P. Bridle 4, E. T. Lee 5, D. J. Hunt 6, J. Brain 7, J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 8.

**HALE, SOMERSET.**—On March 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. H. Langley 1, A. H. Reed 2, D. Lee (first quarter) 3, W. H. Tarr 4, N. J. Maggs 5, F. Morris 6.

**HANDSWORTH, WARWICKS.**—At St. Mary's Church, on March 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. M. Yardley 1, Miss J. D. Woolgar (first in method) 2, M. Matthews (first 'inside') 3, B. D. Sims (cond.) 4, B. C. Wallis 5, R. Foster 6.

**HASLINGFIELD, CAMBS.**—On March 15th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: R. Mann 1, G. Barnard 2, W. J. Ridgman 3, B. Horrell 4, A. E. Ling (cond.) 5.

**SILSOE, BEDS.**—On March 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: T. R. Lett 1, P. J. Lawton 2, A. G. Harris 3, T. R. Harris 4, T. P. Harris (cond.) 5, W. J. Lett 6.

**ARDLEIGH, ESSEX.**—On March 31st, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: M. Hughes (first quarter) 1, A. W. Cole 2, Susan Wenden (first quarter) 3, Janet Semken 4, M. W. Bantick 5, F. H. Erith 6, C. Hughes 7, A. G. Semken (cond.) 8.

**BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.**—On March 29th, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Grandsire): Miss H. Coppertwaite 1, Miss L. Doone 2, W. R. Chandler 3, V. J. C. Dale 4, Miss B. Fisher (cond.) 5. For Matins on Easter Day.

**BRAY, BERKS.**—On March 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Wenda R. Harris 1, D. Fowles 2, Ann Gardner 3, D. T. Young 4, G. R. Sheddin 5, Doreen Hague (cond.) 6, E. E. Gosling 7, J. E. Norsworthy 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Ada Woods and Richard K. Winter.

**CHRISTCHURCH, HANTS.**—At the Priory Church, on March 31st, 1,320 Grandsire Cinques: R. Crampton 1, Christine Mould 2, Judith Robertson 3, R. Broadest 4, M. Stone 5, R. G. W. Robertson 6, A. V. Davis (cond.) 7, R. Ingham 8, E. Mould 9, B. Wright 10, A. Price 11, R. Edwards 12. For Easter Festival. First quarter of Cinques for 2, 3, 4, 6 and 9.

**EDMONTON, MIDDXX.**—On March 22nd, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Trudy Newcombe 1, D. Langdon 2, Teresa Langdon (first in method) 3, Sheila Moore (first in method) 4, J. Towers 5, E. Beauchamp 6, M. W. Coleman 7, T. G. Hawkins (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**ELTHAM, KENT.**—On Christmas Eve, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: Miss M. Lawrence 1, Miss C. Lawrence 2, Mrs. E. J. Coode 3, E. J. Coode 4, K. Small 5, G. Clarke 6, R. Clarke 7, F. Hurrell 8. Rung for Watchnight service. First quarter in the method by an all local band. Also on Easter Day, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. E. J. Coode 1, E. J. Coode 2, K. Small 3, Miss C. Lawrence (first in method) 4, J. Sims 5, F. J. Hurrell 6, P. Clarke (cond.) 7, T. Culver 8. For Evensong.

**FOLKESTONE, KENT.**—On March 29th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): A. Binfield 1, Jane Hough 2, Rachel Sinden 3, Vivienne Dye 4, Richard Hough (cond.) 5, A. Berry (cover), J. Wellard tenor.

**HISTON, CAMBS.**—On March 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles and Grandsire Doubles: Miss R. Jenkins (first quarter) 1, B. Muncey 2, H. Muncey 3, H. Foster 4, M. Carter (cond.) 5, R. English 6. Rung for the egg and flower service, and by Sunday Service band.

**RUSHDEN, NORTHANTS.**—On Easter Sunday, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Ann Newbury (first of Major) 1, R. Coley (first of Major) 2, Brenda Dixon (first of Major) 3, Ann Chettle 4, S. Hodgkins 5, A. L. Priestley (cond.) 6, B. Whithworth 7, A. Gibbs 8.

**WOOTTON, BEDS.**—On Good Friday, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. Whiting 1, G. Seth 2, Miss M. F. Pettitt 3, S. J. Wooler 4, R. H. French 5, J. W. Thorp (first as cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled for Passion service.



## QUARTER PEALS

**ASTBURY, CHESHIRE.**—On March 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Wright (first quarter) 1, J. Sheldon (first quarter) 2, R. Worrall (cond.) 3, V. Stonier 4, B. Corbishley 5, F. Worrall (first quarter) 6.

**AYLESTONE, LEICESTER.**—On March 22nd, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: Sandra Chesterton 1, R. Elkington 2, Mary Kinchen 3, Marie Davenport 4, D. Farrar 5, T. Roper 6, W. J. Kinchen 7, D. Staples (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**BECCLES, SUFFOLK.**—On Easter Sunday, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: I. Margetts (first quarter) 1, Patricia Rogers 2, C. Bailey 3, Mrs. O. Rogers 4, Jane Cooper 5, E. R. Goate (cond.) 6, C. H. Rogers 7, H. W. Rogers 8, R. W. Bickers 9, T. N. J. Bailey 10. For Evensong.

**ROCKING, ESSEX.**—On March 29th, at the Deanery Church of St. Mary, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss J. Quilter (first quarter) 1, P. Le Count 2, Miss J. Spurgeon 3, Mrs. H. Moore 4, H. Moore 5, P. Lawrence 6, R. Suckling 7, R. Lindsell (cond.) 8. For Easter Festival.

**CLYST ST. GEORGE, DEVON.**—On March 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Rosemary Large (first quarter) 1, Patricia Peatfield 2, G. Retter (cond.) 3, A. Williams 4, D. Wills 5, P. Pavey 6.

**CRANBROOK, KENT.**—On Easter Sunday, 1,260 Doubles (540 Grandsire and 720 Plain Bob): J. Cousins 1, A. Leeves 2, M. Grantham 3, J. Barnes 4, M. Legg (cond.) 5, A. Webb 6.

**HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.**—On March 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Harris 1, A. Clutton 2, J. Simmons 3, L. A. Timms 4, D. Francis 5, D. M. Knox 6, S. M. Bailey (cond.) 7, W. Plumridge 8. For combined churches' family service on Mothering Sunday.

**IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.**—At St. Clement's Church, on March 22nd, 1,200 Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob: A. Munnings 1, A. T. Beckwith 2, N. F. Whitell 3, R. L. K. Whitell 4, A. R. Bridges (first of Surprise Minor as cond.) 5, R. W. Steward 6. For morning service.

**LITTLE ASTON, STAFFS.**—On March 22nd, 1,440 Double Bob Minor: S. J. Larcombe (first quarter) 1, Miss M. C. Smith 2, Miss D. K. Moore 3, E. W. Colley 4, M. W. Faircy (cond.) 5, P. G. Golder 6. For Evensong.

**LOXTON, SOMERSET.**—On March 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. T. Hebden 1, G. Hebden 2, M. G. Dodson 3, D. J. Westlake 4, R. W. Rice 5, W. S. Rice (cond.) 6. First quarter of Plain Bob Minor by all the band. Rung half-muffled by Banwell Sunday Service band in memoriam the late wife of the Vicar of Loxton.

**LUTON, BEDS.**—On April 1st, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: K. Lewin 1, A. E. Rushton (cond.) 2, B. L. S. Hulatt 3, A. J. Smith 4, J. Herbert 5, A. E. Butcher 6, J. G. Newman 7, H. Wood 8, G. Hawkins 9, J. Cheney 10. Rung for civic service on the day of Luton becoming a county borough.

**MARCH, CAMBS.**—On March 29th, 1,260 Minor (720 Oxford T.B., 540 Plain Bob): P. H. Langton 1, R. Lee 2, A. W. Palmer 3, W. Moore 4, T. A. Levis (cond.) 5, D. Feck 6. For Easter Festival.

**MARLBOROUGH, WILTS.**—On March 28th, at St. Mary the Virgin's, 1,260 Doubles (480 Plain Bob, 780 Grandsire): G. L. E. Brown 1, A. W. Johnson (cond.) 2, R. H. Green 3, A. G. Keen 4, R. A. G. Inglis 5, L. W. Brown 6. First in two methods 1 and 6. Also on March 30th, 1,260 Doubles (600 Plain Bob, 660 Grandsire): Carolyn J. Brown (first attempt at a quarter) 1, G. L. E. Brown (first in two methods 'inside') 2, Rev. R. Keeley 3, J. A. W. Fuller (first in two methods) 4, A. W. Johnson (cond.) 5, L. W. Brown 6. Rung by Sunday service ringers for Festal Evensong.

**NEWCASTLE-UNDER-LYME, STAFFS.**—On Feb. 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Major: Patricia Mills (first quarter) 1, G. C. Becch 2, C. S. Ryles 3, R. Ballard 4, P. Gay 5, D. Midgeley 6, D. Pittsow 7, A. Moore (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**REDHILL, SURREY.**—At St. John's Church, on March 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Streeter 1, D. Atfield (first 'inside') 2, G. Charlton (first in the method) 3, M. Atfield 4, C. Cook 5, D. J. West 6, G. A. West (first as cond.) 7, K. Game 8.

**RICKMANSWORTH, HERTS.**—On March 23rd, at the Vicarage Flats, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: M. Hatchett 1—2, B. B. Hullah 3—4, A. T. Hawkins (first as cond. 'in hand') 5—6. A 21st birthday compliment to G. T. Ridgway, St. Albans.

**SAPCOTE, LEICS.**—On March 27th, 1,440 Surprise Minor (720 Westminster and 720 Allendale Spliced): Rita M. Stratford 1, Christine J. Stratford 2, L. Watkins 3, B. L. Burrows 4, M. E. Brown (cond.) 5, J. Watkins 6. Rung half-muffled for Good Friday Evensong.

**SELSTON, NOTTS.**—On March 29th, 1,260 Fortune Bob Doubles: N. D. Kirk 1, Thelma E. Staples 2, M. J. Kirk (cond.) 3, E. A. Harrison 4, J. A. Harrison 5. Thirtieth quarter peal together for treble and 3rd. Rung by Kirkby-in-Ashfield ringers prior to afternoon service on Easter Day. Believed to be the first quarter peal in the method.

**SLOUGH, BUCKS.**—On Easter Day, 1,312 Yorkshire Surprise Major: A. D. Rivers 1, F. R. Scott 2, Pamela M. Jervis 3, G. R. Shedden 4, D. P. Hilling 5, W. D. Ward 6, W. Birmingham 7, J. K. Ward (cond.) 8.

**SOUTH MARSTON, WILTS.**—On Easter Day, 1,296 Minor (St. Clement's, Plain Bob and Cambridge): Miss T. P. Johnson 1, Miss P. A. Lansley 2, Mrs. R. J. Drewitt 3, R. J. Drewitt 4, A. R. Peake (cond.) 5, V. Griffin 6. For Holy Communion.

**STOURBRIDGE, WORCS.**—At St. Thomas' Church on Good Friday, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. D. Fellows 1, Mrs. R. Smith 2, G. Westwood 3, R. Smith 4, J. C. Eisel 5, P. L. Bill 6, M. D. Fellows (cond.) 7, M. J. Fellows 8. Rung fully-muffled with the tenor 'open' at backstroke for Stourbridge Council of Churches' United Service.

**WARNHAM, SUSSEX.**—On March 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Christine Lomas (first quarter) 1, Irene Gocher 2, Diane Mullins 3, D. Smith 4, J. Nelson (cond.) 5, G. Francis 6.

**WINCHESTER, HANTS.**—At the Cathedral, on Easter Sunday, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: R. J. Adams (first on 10) 1, Ann M. Cox 2, F. C. W. Knight 3, C. W. Daws (first on 10) 4, June Whitcher 5, W. J. Young 6, A. R. Carter 7, D. B. Brown (cond.) 8, P. N. Tubbs 9, T. C. Holland 10.

**WINWICK, HUNTS.**—On March 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: G. Davis 1, W. Culpin 2, B. Branston 3, R. W. Spencer (cond.) 4, R. J. Warwick 5. Rung as a compliment to the tenor ringer on his 64th birthday.

**YORKTOWN, SURREY.**—On Easter Day, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss Gloria Lias 1, Miss Gwendolen Marshall 2, R. Bath (cond.) 3, M. Church 4, E. Hunt (cover) 5, R. Clist 6, W. Bride-well tenor.

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Representatives from nine towers in the Eastern Branch of the Norwich Diocesan Association met Canon Thurlow at St. Nicholas', Great Yarmouth, on March 21st to attempt a farewell peal to him on leaving the parish and Branch. Four changes after the start a loud crash sounded overhead and the fifth change had a gap where the tenor should have struck!! An immediate stand and investigation revealed a broken clapper, but fortunately no other damage as it flew out. An attempt for Major was then made on the Gabriel eight, which came to grief after two hours. In spite of these setbacks the best wishes of all the band go with the Canon to his new duties.

The names in the photograph of the Sapcote band (page 206) should read **left to right** and **not right to left**.

We are asked by the hon. secretary of the Beverley and District Society to state that the practice night at Hesse is Thursday night and not Wednesday, as erroneously stated in the Society's annual report.

A complete set of cuttings of the 'In Memoriam' ringing for President Kennedy was sent to Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy shortly after publication by Mr. R. D. Short. He also received an acknowledgment.

A smile from 'Belfry News.' Conversation heard between learner and her parent. Parent: 'I heard you ringing for service. You were the last to finish?' Learner: 'No, I wasn't. I finished before everyone else.'

To mark the 120th anniversary of the first peal of Stedman Triples in Yorkshire, at Rotherham Parish Church on February 27th, 1844, a peal in the same method was rung by the Sunday service band in this church on March 22nd.

The three officers of the Winchester District—Mr. P. Tubbs (Ringing Master), Mr. F. C. W. Knight (Deputy Ringing Master) and Mr. D. B. Brown (hon. secretary)—were amazed at the number of keen youngsters that were forthcoming at their beginners' meeting at New Alresford. They are looking forward to their next practice at Micheldever on April 14th at 7.30 p.m.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

Mr. Julian David Duggan, captain at St. Andrew's, Enfield, rung for a few minutes prior to his wedding on March 21st, to Miss Lesley Marion Fletcher, a fellow ringer at St. Andrew's. A full choir was in attendance and during the signing of the register, two anthems were sung, one having been specially written for the couple by the organist, Mr. Eric Pask. The Vicar, the Rev. Graham Bixton, officiated, with the Rev. Michael Bourdeaux. Miss Rosalind Fletcher was bridesmaid to her sister, and Mr. Keith Murray best man. The honeymoon was spent touring the West Country and South Wales.

Miss J. S. Armstrong informs us that she rang the 'Ellacombe' at Morpeth Watch Tower for the birth of the royal prince.

The peal at Kirkburton, the first of Minor since 1938, was the first peal for Hedley Burton, a native of the village, now living at Crawley, Sussex.

An 85-year-old bronze bell in a disused church at Millport, Island of Cumbrae, Scotland, is to be shipped for use in a new church at Melbourne, Australia.

Mr. R. D. Short, of Bridgwater, informs us that it was his arm that was in plaster and not his leg when he rang the quarter peal mentioned on page 208. He sends the correction in case his ringing friends might be thinking he has had another accident.

The peal rung at Kildown on March 21st was only the third peal ever rung for a wedding in the history of the church. After the peal the band joined in the reception at the Village Hall and the evening was very much enjoyed. Much fun and laughter came when Mr. Reginald Lambert demonstrated the twist.

These campanile fanatics  
In octal mathematics  
Are at it again;  
The bell-bashing men,  
Ding dong dong  
Ding dong  
Ding.

'Leicester Mercury.'

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EVESHAM, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,  
At the Bell Tower,

### **A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL** Tenor 35 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in C sharp.

ARTHUR GIBBS .. .. Treble	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. 6
JENNIFER M. TAYLOR .. .. 2	GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. .. 7
NICHOLAS J. MARTIN .. .. 3	ALFRED E. RUSHTON .. .. 8
JAMES R. TAYLOR .. .. 4	GERALD C. HEMMING .. .. 9
MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. .. 5	STEPHEN IVIN .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.

WILMSLOW, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Wed., March 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Bartholomew.

### **A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR**

In 25 methods: (1) Crowland, Combermere, Vale Royal, St. Werburgh and Abbeyville Delight; (2) Willesden, Newdigate, College Bob IV, Old Oxford and Marple Delight; (3) College Exercise, Norbury, Ockley, Duke of Norfolk and Morning Star Treble Bob; (4) Charlwood, Neasden, St. Albans, Wragby and Braintree Delight; (5) Capel, Sandal, London Scholars' Pleasure and Kingston Treble Bob; (6) Oxford, (7) Morning Star.

DAVID VINCENT .. .. Treble	ALAN SHARPLES .. .. 4
SIDNEY HOUGH, JUN. .. .. 2	*JOHN ROBINSON .. .. 5
*ERNEST PIMLOTT .. .. 3	DENIS MOTTERSHEAD .. Tenor

Conducted by DENIS MOTTERSHEAD.

\* First peal in 25 methods.

BURNLEY, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter,

### **A PEAL OF 5184 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In nine methods, being 576 each of Ashted, Bristol, Cambridge, Lincolnshire, London, Pudsey, Rutland, Superlative and Yorkshire; with 138 changes of method.

BRIAN A. TOMLINSON .. Treble	*WALTER E. WILKINSON .. 5
*PHILIP J. CROSTHWAITE .. 2	*CYRIL CROSTHWAITE .. 6
*ERNEST BENNETT .. .. 3	NORMAN SMITH .. .. 7
*RICHARD J. PARKER .. .. 4	J. BARRY PICKUP .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NORMAN SMITH.

\* First peal of Spliced Surprise Major in more than eight methods.

DEPTFORD, LONDON.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John the Evangelist.

### **A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 18 lb. in F.

ISABEL M. PEARCE .. .. Treble	MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 5
HERBERT E. AUDSLEY .. .. 2	DAVID S. OSENTON .. .. 6
FREDERICK J. CULLUM .. .. 3	GEORGE J. BUTCHER .. .. 7
ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. 4	PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by ANDREW J. CORBY.  
First peal in the method as conductor.

## **OTHER PEALS**

### **TEN BELL PEALS**

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,  
At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

### **A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

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

GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. Treble	DAVID W. FRIEND .. .. 6
*PETER S. BENNETT .. .. 2	ANTONY R. KENCH .. .. 7
MARYL R. CROSTHWAITE .. 3	IAN C. MAYCOCK .. .. 8
KENNETH J. HESKETH .. .. 4	JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. 9
*DAVID J. ALLEN .. .. 5	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. A. BURFORD. Conducted by GEORGE E. THODAY.  
\* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal. Ringer of second completes Cambridge from Minor to Maximus.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,  
At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

### **A PEAL OF 5021 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

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

GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. Treble	*HAZEL A. ARROWSMITH .. 6
DAVID W. FRIEND .. .. 2	ANTONY R. KENCH .. .. 7
*DAVID J. ALLEN .. .. 3	IAN C. MAYCOCK .. .. 8
JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. 4	GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 9
MARYL R. CROSTHWAITE .. 5	PETER S. BENNETT .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. M. TYLER. Conducted by IAN C. MAYCOCK.  
\* First peal of Grandsire Caters. † First 10-bell peal.

BOSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Botolph.

### **A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CATERS**

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in E flat.

NORAH M. RANGLES .. .. Treble	JOHN WALDEN .. .. 6
JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. .. 2	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. .. 7
ANNE E. BATESON .. .. 3	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. 8
JANE K. A. COOK .. .. 4	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. 9
JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. .. 5	PETER A. SHARP .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN E. CHILCOTT. Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

STAFFORD.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.  
On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,  
At the Collegiate Church of St. Mary.

### **A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 19 cwt. in E.

PAMELA M. TURNER .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 6
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 2	DAVID J. ALLEN .. .. 7
ANN E. FELLOWS .. .. 3	*PETER S. BENNETT .. .. 8
F. HECTOR BENNETT .. .. 4	CHARLES A. S. WEBB .. .. 9
ROBERT J. WARRILLOW .. .. 5	DAVID W. FRIEND .. .. Tenor

Arranged by NEIL BENNETT. Conducted by GEOFFREY DAVIES.

\* First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Royal.

## **EIGHT BELL PEALS**

NETHERTON, DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Andrew.

### **A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 lb. in F sharp.

PAUL W. WEBB .. .. Treble	ERNEST W. PENN .. .. 5
JOHN LLOYD .. .. 2	*PETER L. BILL .. .. 6
HARRY SHILVOCK .. .. 3	†PETER J. BROWN .. .. 7
IRENE ELSMORE .. .. 4	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. Tenor

Composed by THOMAS B. WORSLEY. Conducted by MICHAEL J. FELLOWS.

\* First peal of Bob Major 'inside.' † First of Bob Major.

Quarterly peal for the Northern Branch.

Rung in memoriam Ezra Homer, for over 50 years a ringer at St. Giles', Rowley Regis.

LIVERPOOL, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Wed., March 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael, Garston.

### **A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER K. COOPER .. 5
JEFFREY J. FOX .. .. 2	V. DAVID JENNER .. .. 6
HAZEL A. ARROWSMITH .. 3	RICHARD S. STARKIE .. .. 7
MALCOLM A. PHILLIPS .. 4	JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by RICHARD S. STARKIE.  
First peal as conductor.

COLLINGHAM, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Thurs., March 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Oswald.

### **A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 7 cwt.

H. DAVID HOLLAND .. .. Treble	CHARLES S. WEBB .. .. 5
BARRY SULLIVAN .. .. 2	PETER KIRKBY .. .. 6
ROGER J. LUMLEY .. .. 3	LEONARD GOODALL .. .. 7
MRS. H. B. SCHOFIELD .. 4	HAROLD B. SCHOFIELD .. Tenor

Composed by IAN M. HOLLAND. Conducted by LEONARD GOODALL.

BARROW-ON-HUMBER, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,  
At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

### **A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr.

ARTHUR B. COOPER .. .. Treble	†IAN G. CAMPBELL .. .. 5
*F. CHARLES HOBSON .. .. 2	†MICHAEL WHITING .. .. 6
*JANET I. PORTER .. .. 3	*DAVID S. JOHNSON .. .. 7
†HAROLD GIBSON .. .. 4	MICHAEL W. CROWDER .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by MICHAEL W. CROWDER.

\* First peal of Yorkshire Surprise. † First of Surprise Major.  
‡ First of Surprise. First of Surprise as conductor.

BRISTOL.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,  
At the Cathedral Church of the Holy and Undivided Trinity.

### **A PEAL OF 5056 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 lb. in E flat.

ELISABETH A. G. BOWDEN Treble	PHILIP M. J. GRAY .. .. 5
JENNIFER M. TAYLOR .. .. 2	RICHARD J. BOWDEN .. .. 6
*MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. 3	JAMES R. TAYLOR .. .. 7
†ALAN TUBB .. .. 4	*D. JOHN HUNT .. .. Tenor

Composed by P. G. K. DAVIES. Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

\* 75th peal together. † First of Pudsey.



GREAT HOLLAND, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,  
**A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt.

NEIL V. AVIS .. .. Treble	JAMES L. TOWLER .. .. 5
*PETER G. BROWN .. .. 2	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 6
†MICHAEL J. HALLETT .. .. 3	PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. 7
MICHAEL J. COWLING .. .. 4	ALFRED J. HOUSE .. .. Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX. Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.  
\* First peal of Major 'inside.' † 50th peal. ‡ 75th peal for the Association.

HEANOR, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,  
**A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb. in F.

JOSEPH C. WOOLLEY .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY N. GOODALL .. .. 5
DENIS R. CARLISLE .. .. 2	MALCOLM P. PHIPPS .. .. 6
DAVID W. PARKIN .. .. 3	GORDON A. HALLS .. .. 7
ALAN KELLER .. .. 4	IAN M. HOLLAND .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by IAN M. HOLLAND.

HIGHAM FERRERS, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,  
**A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 22 cwt. 3 qr. 17 lb. in E flat.

JAMES H. EDWARDS .. .. Treble	ALAN S. SMITH .. .. 5
*MARY EDWARDS .. .. 2	ARTHUR GIBBS .. .. 6
FRANK W. RIVETT .. .. 3	GEOFFREY E. WATSON .. .. 7
ROBERT L. PIRON .. .. 4	STEPHEN IVIN .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER. Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.  
\* First peal.

HIGHCLERE, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,  
**A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 11½ cwt.

ALBERT DISERENS .. .. Treble	JOHN N. DISERENS .. .. 5
PATRICIA E. BUSS .. .. 2	FRANK W. LEWIS .. .. 6
*T. FELICITY WEBBER .. .. 3	JOHN MANLEY .. .. 7
REGINALD W. REX .. .. 4	NOEL J. DISERENS .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS. Conducted by NOEL J. DISERENS.  
\* First peal of Bristol.

LEDBURY, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,  
**A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 22 cwt. 27 lb. in E flat.

IAN LLOYD .. .. Treble	WILLIAM J. NEWMAN .. .. 5
ARTHUR C. BERRY .. .. 2	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. 6
GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. .. 3	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. .. 7
*M. ROGER ASHMORE .. .. 4	GERALD C. HEMMING .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN. Conducted by GERALD C. HEMMING.  
\* First peal of Yorkshire 'inside.'

LINCOLN.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,  
**A PEAL OF 5184 LINDUM SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 lb. in E.

J. L. MILLHOUSE .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. 5
*ANNE BATESON .. .. 2	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. .. 6
NORAH M. RANGLES .. .. 3	PETER A. SHARP .. .. 7
JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. .. 4	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN. Conducted by GEOFFREY PAUL.  
\* First peal of Surprise Major. First in the method by all the band, and for the Guild.  
Rung in memory of Frank Mettham.

MARKET DRAYTON, SHROPSHIRE.  
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,  
**A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in E.

MURIEL REAY .. .. Treble	GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 5
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 2	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 6
B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. .. 3	JOHN A. ANDERSON .. .. 7
RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 4	CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN. Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

NEWCHURCH, WARRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,  
**A PEAL OF 5152 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

*ROSEMARY ECCLESTON .. .. Treble	PETER DALE .. .. 5
TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. .. 2	†ALAN SHARPLES .. .. 6
†RICHARD STARKIE .. .. 3	NEIL D. LOMAS .. .. 7
DAVID VINCENT .. .. 4	DENIS MOTTERSHEAD .. .. Tenor

Composed by R. F. B. SPEED. Conducted by DENIS MOTTERSHEAD.  
\* First peal on eight bells. † First in the method.

PRESTWOLD, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,  
**A PEAL OF 5120 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR**

WILLIAM L. EXTON .. .. Treble	COLIN W. REED .. .. 5
*MARY C. POYNER .. .. 2	*B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. .. 6
BRYL N. REED .. .. 3	*HARRY POYNER .. .. 7
*MALCOLM D. BARSBY .. .. 4	J. DAVID CLARKE .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by HARRY POYNER.  
\* First peal in the method. Tenor 11 cwt.

THROWLEY, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,  
**A PEAL OF 5021 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In three methods, comprising 1,952 Bristol, 1,536 Bolton and 1,533 Peterborough: with 27 changes of method, and all the work of each method for each bell. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb. in F sharp.	
*ANN JENNER .. .. Treble	IAN H. ORAM .. .. 5
*DORIS E. COLGATE .. .. 2	JOHN S. BARNES .. .. 6
JOHN FAIRCLOTH .. .. 3	STANLEY JENNER .. .. 7
JOHN R. COOPER .. .. 4	THOMAS CULLINGWORTH .. .. Tenor

Composed by MAURICE HODGSON. Conducted by IAN H. ORAM.  
\* 25th peal together.

THORVERTON, DEVON.  
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS OF CANTERBURY,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 17 cwt.

NORMAN MALLETT .. .. Treble	FREDERICK WREFORD .. .. 5
JEAN F. BARNETT .. .. 2	*E. WILLIAM FORD .. .. 6
ANN E. FELLOWS .. .. 3	FRANK D. MACK .. .. 7
MARTIN F. LOCK .. .. 4	JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by NORMAN MALLETT.  
\* First peal of Major on an 'inside' bell.  
A compliment to Mr. R. B. Ford, father of the ringer of the sixth and a past ringer at this church.

WARNHAM, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,  
**A PEAL OF 5280 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In five methods, comprising 1,120 London, 1,088 Superlative, 1,024 each of Bristol, Cambridge and Pudsey: with 107 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell. Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in F.	
LEONARD STILWELL .. .. Treble	*GEORGE FRANCIS .. .. 5
E. JANE SIBSON .. .. 2	DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 6
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 3	*W. LESLIE WELLS .. .. 7
EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. .. 4	DENNIS BERESFORD .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN. Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.  
\* First peal of 5-Spiced.

DAVENTRY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.  
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sun., March 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS,  
**A PEAL OF 5056 DAVENTRY SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in F flat.

IAN C. MAYCOCK .. .. Treble	FRANK W. RIVETT .. .. 5
PATRICK I. CHAPMAN .. .. 2	DAVID J. ALLEN .. .. 6
AVRIL IVIN .. .. 3	STEPHEN IVIN .. .. 7
RICHARD F. B. SPEED .. .. 4	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

Composed by RICHARD F. B. SPEED. Conducted by PETER BORDER.  
First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Guild.

ROTHERHAM, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(Sheffield and District Society.)

On Sun., March 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Tenor 34½ cwt.

BROOKS' variation of Thurstans' Four-Part.	
ELSIE CHADDOCK .. .. Treble	JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK .. .. 5
*STUART ARMESON .. .. 2	*NEIL DONOVAN .. .. 6
*JOHN BRUCE .. .. 3	NORMAN CHADDOCK .. .. 7
*DAVID NICHOLS .. .. 4	PHILIP WALKER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by NORMAN CHADDOCK.  
\* First peal. By pupils of the conductor.



**MARPLE, CHESHIRE.**  
**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Mon., March 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Bruerton's Twelve-Part.		Tenor 13 cwt, 2 qr, 12 lb.	
*ALAN B. ROTHWELL ..	Treble	ROBERT B. SMITH ..	5
CHRISTINE C. MACNAIR ..	2	ALAN MCFALL ..	6
*DEREK YATES ..	3	BASIL JONES ..	7
WILLIAM H. DOWSE ..	4	PETER T. DALE ..	Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT B. SMITH.

\* First peal. † First of Triples, and of Grandsire. First of Grandsire as conductor.

Rung half-muffled in memory of Harold Clarke, verger at All Saints', whose funeral took place this day.

**BALDERTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.**  
**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., March 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 8 cwt, 24 lb, in G sharp.

KATHERINE BURCHNALL ..	Treble	† ANNE E. BATESON ..	5
GRACE BURCHNALL ..	2	A. HARRY HAWCROFT ..	6
F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER ..	3	BERYL N. REED ..	7
*MARGARET E. CHILTON ..	4	COLIN W. REED ..	Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY.

Conducted by COLIN W. REED.

\* First peal of Major. † First of Plain Bob Major.  
Rung following the wedding of Miss Margaret Wilcox and Mr. Ralph Brader.

**LEISTON, SUFFOLK.**  
**THE SUFFOLK GUILD.**

*On Sat., March 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Sir A. Heywood's transposition of Thurstans'.		Tenor 20½ cwt.	
FRANK RUFFLES ..	Treble	LEONARD E. LAST ..	5
FRANK B. LUFKIN ..	2	ALAN R. ANDREWS ..	6
JACK PILGRIM ..	3	LESLIE G. BRETT ..	7
NEVILLE F. WHITTELL ..	4	HAROLD W. H. LEATHER ..	Tenor

Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

**LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., March 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes.*

*AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 6 cwt, 2 qr, 13 lb.

G. RONALD EDWARDS ..	Treble	* DAVID G. WILFORD ..	5
*MALCOLM E. WADE ..	2	ALAN E. HARTLEY ..	6
A. MAXWELL LINDSEY ..	3	*ROLAND H. COOK ..	7
JOSEPH W. COTTON ..	4	† R. KINGSLEY MASON ..	Tenor

Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES.

Conducted by ROLAND H. COOK.

\* First peal in the method. † 50th peal on the bells. First on eight bells as conductor.

**CLIFTON, BEDFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.*

**A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In 12 methods, comprising 640 each of London, Bristol, Rutland and Watford, and 320 each of Cambridge, Superlative, Yorkshire, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Wembley, Ealing and Lindum; with 140 changes of method.

		Tenor 11 cwt. in G.	
MARTIN MAJOR .. ..	Treble	COLIN A. S. HARWOOD ..	5
JENNIFER M. TAYLOR .. ..	2	PETER BORDER .. ..	6
C. EDWARD JEFFRIES .. ..	3	ALFRED E. RUSHTON .. ..	7
FRANK W. RIVETT .. ..	4	STEPHEN IVIN .. ..	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.

First peal of 12-Spliced Surprise Major by all except the ringers of 5, 6 and tenor.

**OAKFORD, DEVON.**

**THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.**

*On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Parker's Twelve-Part.		Tenor 12½ cwt.	
FRANK D. MACK ..	Treble	DAVID WILLS ..	5
ELISABETH A. G. BOWDEN ..	2	GEORGE SKINNER ..	6
RICHARD J. BOWDEN ..	3	FREDERICK WREFFORD ..	7
NORMAN MALLETT ..	4	WILLIAM H. WARE ..	Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK WREFFORD.

**FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS**

**CHAPEL ALLERTON, YORKSHIRE.**

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thurs., March 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Being two 2.160's and one 720.		Tenor 7 cwt.	
MRS. HJ B. SCHOFIELD ..	Treble	ROGER J. LUMLEY ..	4
BARRY SULLIVAN ..	2	HAROLD B. SCHOFIELD ..	5
WILLIAM A. KIRKBY ..	3	LEONARD GOODALL ..	Tenor

Conducted by LEONARD GOODALL.

**LITTLE COMBERTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being seven extents of the following methods/variations: Grandsire, Rev. St. Bartholomew, Rev. Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob, April Day and Kennington.

*RONALD J. STEPHENS .. <i>Treble</i>		ARTHUR C. BERRY .. .. 4
IAN LLOYD .. .. . 2		JAMES ATTWOOD, JUN. .. 5
†DAVID F. TRENTFIELD .. 3		EDWIN W. BICK .. .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by ARTHUR C. BERRY.

\* First peal of Doubles. † First peal, first attempt.

Rung as wedding compliment to John H. Firkins and Miss Brenda Moore, whose marriage took place at the above church earlier in the day.

**CITY OF LONDON.**  
**THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.**

*On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OLAVE, HART STREET.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven different 720's.		Tenor 11 cwt, 1 qr, 1 lb, in G.	
*GILLIAN SEWELL ..	Treble	DIANA M. LAWLESS ..	4
ROSEMARY RICH ..	2	ALAN J. FROST ..	5
MARY S. TAYLOR ..	3	JOHN C. EISEL ..	Tenor

Conducted by JOHN C. EISEL.

\* First peal of Treble Bob.

Rung after meeting short for Major.

**LEWANNICK, CORNWALL.**  
**THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.**

*On Sun., March 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In six methods, comprising 240 of Stedman and 960 each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, St. Simon's Bob, St. Martin's Bob, Grandsire and Plain Bob.

*WILFRED C. BOUCHER	.. Treble	*D. ROY BOULD	.. .. 4
*MARGARET A. BOULD	.. 2	*WILLIAM A. THEOBALD	.. 5
TREVOR N. J. BAILEY	.. 3	*T. LESLIE CUNDY	Tenor

Conducted by TREVOR N. J. BAILEY.

\* First peal in six methods. † First in six Doubles methods.

**SPEEN, BERKSHIRE.**  
**THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Wed., March 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

Being 42 extents.		Tenor 12 cwt, 2 qr, 12 lb, in F sharp.	
WILLIAM KEWELL ..	Treble	FRANK S. TONGE ..	4
CHRISTOPHER SMITH ..	2	GEOFFREY K. DODD ..	5
PENELOPE E. GODDARD ..	3	*FRANCIS KEWELL ..	Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.

\* First peal.

**TAXAL, DERBYSHIRE.**  
**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Wed., March 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents.		Tenor 11½ cwt.	
BASIL JONES ..	Treble	PETER T. DALE ..	4
DEREK YATES ..	2	ROBERT B. SMITH ..	5
BRIAN SCHOFIELD ..	3	ALAN MCFALL ..	Tenor

Conducted by ALAN MCFALL.

The ringer of the second has now rung Plain Bob from Minor to Maximus.

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WEST OVERTON, WILTSHIRE.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., March 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven different extents, with 5-6 the right way throughout.

Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

*ALFRED W. JOHNSON .. Treble	REV. ROGER KEELEY .. .. 4
E. WILLIAM FORD .. .. 2	ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. 5
†RICHARD A. G. INGLIS .. 3	BRIAN BLADON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

\* First peal of Minor. † First peal away from treble. First of Surprise on the bells.

BRANSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., March 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents, called differently. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb.

*MARY POOLE .. .. Treble	PHILLIP C. PITCHFORD .. 4
RONALD APPLEWHITE .. 2	FREDERICK DERRY .. .. 5
AMOS INGALL .. .. 3	LOUIS WILLIERS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by LOUIS WILLIERS.

\* First peal and first attempt.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., March 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 19 Minutes.

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents. Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in B.

*RICHARD S. MOORE (14) .. Treble	MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. 4
STUART H. J. EDWARDS .. 2	†REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE 5
N. RODERICK ELLWAY .. 3	DAN S. PONT (14) .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DAN S. PONT.

\* First peal of Minor. † 150th peal. First on tower bells as conductor.

NORTH MUSKHAM, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.  
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., March 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different standard callings of 720.

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

F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER .. Treble	MARGARET E. CHILTON .. 4
*DAVID D. PARSONS .. .. 2	HAROLD STEVENSON .. .. 5
C. ANTHONY PARSONS .. 3	FREDERICK G. HOOPER .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK G. HOOPER.

\* First peal of Minor. The conductor has now 'circled the tower' four times (twice as conductor).

A birthday compliment to the fourth ringer.

PECKLETON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., March 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

Being three 720's of London and four 720's of Cambridge.

Tenor 10 cwt. in A.

FREDERICK WATSON .. .. Treble	K. PAUL GILLIVER .. .. 4
JOHN WALKINS .. .. 2	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. 5
MRS. JILL BELCHER .. .. 3	MICHAEL E. BROWN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

ATCHAM, SHROPSHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EATA.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In three methods, being two extents each of Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob, rung alternately. Tenor 11 cwt.

HAROLD WORRALL .. .. Treble	VICTOR NEAL .. .. 4
JOHN RYDER .. .. 2	BRIAN SCHOFIELD .. .. 5
ERNEST PIMLOTT .. .. 3	HARRY W. HOWARD .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY W. HOWARD.

BRIGSTOCK, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.  
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In seven methods, being six extents each of St. Simon's, St. Martin's, St. Nicholas', Winchendon Place, Grandsire, Plain Bob and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 4 lb. in E.

RICHARD A. WEBSTER .. Treble	ROGER W. SMITH .. .. 3
RONALD RUSSELL .. .. 2	GRAHAM C. PAUL .. .. 4
ALAN A. PAUL .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by ALAN A. PAUL.

First peal in seven methods as conductor, and 50th peal, all of which have been rung with the ringer of the fourth.

CROPWELL BISHOP, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In five methods, being six extents each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Southrepps Pleasure, Clifford's Pleasure, April Day and 18 Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 24 lb. in F.

*MARGARET E. CHILTON .. Treble	F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER .. 3
*RUTH BLACKSHAW .. .. 2	MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 4
†JOHN R. PRATCHETT .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by MAURICE W. HARRISON.

\* First peal in five methods. † 25th peal. First peal attempt as conductor.

A birthday compliment to Margaret E. Chilton.

FINDON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being three extents of Grandsire and four of Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb. in A.

R. IAN VAUGHAN .. .. Treble	JOHN R. NORRIS .. .. 4
PEGGY TAYLOR .. .. 2	*MICHAEL J. BEW .. .. 5
ANGELA M. WRIGHT .. .. 3	BERNARD G. NORTH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BERNARD G. NORTH.

\* First peal of Minor. First in two methods by all the band.

An 18th birthday compliment to the conductor.

IGHTFIELD, SHROPSHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being one extent each of Single Oxford, Cambridge, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb. in G.

BRIAN SCHOFIELD .. .. Treble	JOHN RYDER .. .. 4
VICTOR NEAL .. .. 2	HAROLD WORRALL .. .. 5
ERNEST PIMLOTT .. .. 3	HARRY W. HOWARD .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY W. HOWARD.

Rung as an 82nd birthday compliment to Albert H. Booth, of Northwich.

HATHEROP, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven extents, containing the following eight methods, viz.: London, Wells, Cunecastre, Sandiacre, Newcastle, Canterbury, York and Rossendale. Tenor 7½ cwt.

IVOR GOULTER .. .. Treble	†CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. 4
*VICTOR GRIFFIN .. .. 2	ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. 5
†GORDON W. LAND .. .. 3	BRIAN BLADON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

\* 125th peal. † 25th peal together.

KILNDOWN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes.

AT CHRIST CHURCH.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in five methods: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Oxford Treble Bob, (3) Kent Treble Bob, (4) Oxford Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

*RALPH DENGATE .. .. Treble	†PETER WILKINSON .. .. 4
†JANE FOSTER .. .. 2	REGINALD E. LAMBERT .. 5
FREDERICK J. LAMBERT .. 3	ROBERT T. LAMBERT .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT T. LAMBERT.

\* First peal in five methods. † 25th peal together. ‡ 25th peal.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss Jennifer Cooper and Mr. Gerald Taylor.

TAYNTON, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being two extents each of Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's and Double Oxford Bob, and one of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.

WILLIAM J. DIXON .. .. Treble	BRIAN W. HALL .. .. 4
PETER BEEDIE .. .. 2	D. KAY ADKINS .. .. 5
FREDERICK W. SODEN .. 3	THOMAS W. TIMMS .. Tenor

Conducted by D. KAY ADKINS.

Rung to welcome the Rev. G. R. Tamplin, who was inducted as Vicar of the united benefices of Great and Little Barrington and Taynton on the previous day.



### COUNTSTHORPE, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Good Friday, March 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being six extents of St. Simon's, eight of St. Martin's, 14 of Grandsire, six of April Day and eight of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 17 lb.

BRIAN CHAPMAN	Treble	MAURICE R. A. KIRK	4
*R. JOY WATKINS	2	ALAN E. HARTLEY	5
RICHARD A. COBLEY	3	R. KINGSLEY MASON	Tenor

Conducted by MAURICE R. A. KIRK.

\* First peal of Doubles.

Rung fully-muffled, except for the tenor which was half-muffled, prior to Good Friday Evensong.

### HORNINGSEA, CAMBRIDGESHIRE. THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., March 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In nine methods, being four extents each of Winchendon Place, St. Remigius', St. Nicholas', Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Martin's, St. Osmund's, St. Simon's, and seven each of Grandsire and Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb.

A. KEITH PHILLIPS	Treble	ALAN M. BARBER	3
*PHILIP J. ROTHERA	2	COLIN JOHNSON	4

†GEORGE E. THODAY . . . Tenor

Conducted by ALAN M. BARBER.

\* First peal of Doubles. † 125th peal for the Association.

Rung half-muffled for Good Friday.

### NEWDIGATE, SURREY. THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being one 2,160 and four 720's, all 5-6's at backstroke.

Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. in A flat.

*ROBERT J. COOLES	Treble	*BRIAN H. COATSWORTH	4
*ROSAMUND M. RAWLINGS	2	ALAN E. BAGWORTH	5
†ALAN R. MILLIDGE	3	A. PATRICK CANNON	Tenor

Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

\* First peal of Surprise. † First of Surprise Minor.

### HALF PEAL

**LLANBLETHIAN, GLAMORGAN.**—On March 13th, 2,520 Doubles (3 six-scores April Day, 12 Plain Bob, 6 Grandsire): I. D. Davies 1, C. Ricketts 2, G. H. Jones 3, P. M. Evans 4, E. N. Thomas 5, E. W. L. Groom 6. Conducted jointly by 2, 3, 4, 5. First half peal on the bells.

**EVERCREECH, SOMERSET.**—On March 7th, 1,224 London Surprise Minor: R. G. Beck (cond.) 1, D. Targett 2, A. P. Beck 3, R. E. Beck 4, J. Targett 5, E. Chivers 6.

**EXETER, DEVON.**—At the Church of St. Petrock, on March 22nd, 1,264 Plain Bob Minor (two methods): P. Colton 1, Diane Lissenden 2, A. White 3, Jennifer Smith 4, M. F. Lock (cond.) 5, C. Yates 6. For Evensong.

**ELVEDEN, SUFFOLK.**—On March 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Reeve 1, N. Watson 2, H. Fuller 3, R. Rose 4, D. Reeve 5, L. Wright 6, J. Paul (cond.) 7, M. Rose 8. A compliment to Mr. Tom Reeve, of Elveden, who celebrated his 100th birthday on March 16th, and as a compliment to the father of the ringers of 1 and 5, who was 83 on March 18th.

**BENGEO, HERTS.**—On March 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. M. Butcher 1, E. J. Phillips (cond.) 2, A. Stracey 3, A. R. Fowles 4, J. H. Phillips 5, S. D. Butcher 6. Rung for evening service half-muffled, to the memory of the Rev. G. C. P. Hilton Briggs, former Rector.

**BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.**—On March 22nd, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss L. Doone 1, Miss E. Pryke 2, Miss H. Copperthwaite 3, W. R. Chandler 4, Miss B. Fisher (cond.) 5. For Martins and to welcome Helen Mary, a daughter for Dorothy and Victor Dale.

**CRANFORD, MIDD.**—On Easter Day, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): C. Parker 1, Josephine Pole 2, P. Woodgyer 3, J. Britchford 4, D. Fowles (cond.) 5, Mary Sadler (first quarter) 6.

**GOODRICH, HEREFORDS.**—On March 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. F. Dixon (first quarter) 1, R. Poston 2, Julie A. V. Caligari (first 'inside') 3, P. D. S. Caligari 4, J. F. I. Turney (cond.) 5, P. W. Walsom 6.

## QUARTER PEALS

**HUTTON, ESSEX.**—On March 28th, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): P. Friend 1, C. E. Hill 2, J. J. Walleit (cond.) 3, W. T. Hill 4, R. G. Jones 5. To mark the lighting of candle at Bradwell to be taken to Chelmsford Cathedral, for the Diocese's golden year.

**KIMPTON, HERTS.**—On Easter Day, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss M. Lander 1, R. B. Heaver (first quarter) 2, R. L. Arnold 3, Mrs. H. Y. Price 4, J. G. Cull (cond.) 5, D. C. Price 6. For Evensong.

**KINGSTON-UPON-THAMES, SURREY.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: S. Crouch (first on eight) 1, Ruth Carr 2, Elizabeth Wilkins (first of Triples) 3, Beth Goddard 4, Margaret Lewis 5, B. Bull 6, W. Jackson (cond.) 7, D. Wilkins 8. To celebrate the engagement of Beth Goddard to David Leach, of Thames Ditton.

**LLANDAFF, GLAMORGAN.**—On March 11th, at the Cathedral, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Miss P. J. Welch 1, P. J. Shipton 2, Miss C. G. Glastonbury 3, Miss M. E. Pryor 4, N. Crowther 5, M. Pilgrim 6, S. Fenwick (first quarter) 7, A. W. Smith 8, D. J. Llewellyn 9, N. W. H. Simon (cond.) 10. Rung before the dedication of the new choir stalls which marked the completion of the Cathedral restoration.

**MEARS ASHBY, NORTHANTS.**—On March 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Judy Collins (first of Minor) 1, Ann Newbury (first 'inside') 2, Ann Chettle 3, B. Whitworth 4, B. Viccars (first of Minor) 5, R. Coley (cond.) 6. Rung in honour of St. Patrick.

**NORTH CADBURY, SOMERSET.**—On Feb. 22nd, 1,200 Kent Treble Bob Minor: R. G. Beck (cond.) 1, D. Targett 2, A. P. Beck 3, R. E. Beck 4, E. Chivers 5, J. Targett 6.

**NORTON-LE-MOORS, STAFFS.**—On March 19th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: P. Phillips 1, Annette Gratton 2, Barbara Johnson 3, W. Pickett 4, C. S. Ryles 5, O. Williams 6, J. A. Jack 7, J. L. Shenton (cond.) 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of John W. Walker, ringer at this church for 50 years, interred the previous day.

**QUEEN CAMEL, SOMERSET.**—On March 14th, 1,320 Ipswich Surprise Minor: R. G. Beck (cond.) 1, E. Chivers 2, J. Targett 3, D. Targett 4, A. P. Beck 5, R. E. Beck 6.

## HANDBELL PEALS

### STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTSHIRE. THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Feb. 24, 1964, in 1 Hour and 56 Minutes.

AT 33, BRIDGE END ROAD.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

Consisting of 14 methods, in the following seven extents: (1) Beverley and Surfleet; (2) Cambridge, Beverley and Surfleet; (3) Primrose, Berwick and Hexham; (4) Netherseale and Bourne; (5) Annable's London and Hull; (6) Westminster and Allendale; (7) Cambridge, Primrose, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull and Bourne; with 86 changes of method.

Tenor size 15 in C.

GORDON W. LAND	1—2	BRIAN BLADON	3—4
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ANTHONY R. PEAKE . . . 5—6

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

First handbell peal of Spliced Surprise and the first of Surprise in 14 methods on handbells by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.

### LEICESTER.

#### THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

On Tues., March 17, 1964, in 1 Hour and 58 Minutes.

AT THE WAYSIDE, 150, NARBOROUGH ROAD SOUTH.

#### A PEAL OF 5056 ZELAH SURPRISE MAJOR

Middleton's. Tenor size 15 in C.

JOHN A. ACRES	1—2	JOHN M. JELLEY	5—6
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PETER J. STANFORTH	3—4	ALFRED BALLARD	7—8
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Conducted by PETER J. STANFORTH.

First peal in the method on handbells.

Rung to the memory of Mrs. Phyllis Poole (March 20th, 1958).

### ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE.

#### THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., March 18, 1964, in 1 Hour and 39 Minutes.

AT 17, QUEEN STREET.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in 12 methods, viz.: (1) Double Oxford, (2) Single Oxford, (3) Childwall, (4) Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, (5) Fulbeck Bob, Reverse Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Double Bob and Plain Bob; (6) College Bob, (7) St. Clement's.

Tenor size 11 in G.

GERALD PENNEY	1—2	JOYCE DODDS	3—4
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JOYCE DODDS . . . 5—6

Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

First handbell peal in 12 methods by all the band.

**PUTNEY, S.W.**—On March 29th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bob, Grandsire): B. Bull 1, Brenda Wood 2, A. Millidge 3, B. Coatsworth 4, D. Brookes (cond.) 5, Christine Cobb 6. For Evensong on Easter Day.

**RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: H. King 1, Mrs. D. Belcham 2, A. House 3, F. May 4, D. Belcham 5, R. Tappender 6, M. Hallett (cond.) 7, W. Ward 8. For Evensong. Also on March 22nd, 1,280 St. Clement's Bob Major: W. Ward 1, Mrs. D. Belcham 2, T. Jones 3, F. May 4, J. Belcham 5, D. Belcham 6, M. Hallett 7, A. House 8. For Evensong.

**ROUSHAM, OXON.**—On March 12th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: E. G. Jones 1, Diana French (first in method) 2, C. H. Kinch 3, L. A. Busby 4, C. C. Clarke 5, R. A. Reeves (first in method as cond.) 6.

**STEDHAM, SUSSEX.**—On March 21st, 1,320 Durham Surprise Minor: J. H. Payton 1, Pamela Gough 2, D. A. Kirk 3, Elizabeth Stevinson 4, D. Hughes 5, A. S. Bishop (cond.) 6.

**UPTON BISHOP, HEREFORDS.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. W. Walsom (first on treble) 1, R. D. Brown (first 'inside') 2, G. T. Cousins (cond.) 3, R. Poston 4, P. D. Sell 5, J. F. I. Turney 6. For Evensong.

**WELFORD-ON-AVON, WARWICKS.**—On March 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: F. Buttler 1, G. Cooper 2, B. Hancox 3, A. E. Marshall (cond.) 4, D. Hancock 5, G. Clark 6. A wedding compliment to Rosemary Wilkes (ringer) and David Westby, married this day.

**WENTWORTH, YORKS.**—On March 22nd, 1,440 Minor (St. Clement's and Plain Bob): Elizabeth Cherry 1, D. E. Archer 2, A. King 3, M. A. Beaumont 4, M. King 5, M. R. Meadows (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**WHITTEBURY, NORTHANTS.**—On March 11th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Miss D. Webb 1, G. Kingston 2, J. Linford 3, J. Linnell 4, C. E. Truman (cond.) 5.

**WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH, DEVON.**—On March 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): Christine Turner 1, Mary Mack 2, F. D. Mack (cond.) 3, Jane Hurrell 4, F. Williams 5, N. Shepherd 6, H. Crisp 7, A. Knight 8.

**WOODBURY, DEVON.**—On March 21st, 1,344 Grandsire Triples: D. Pratt 1, J. H. Glanvill 2, A. Gooding 3, G. West 4, C. C. Deem 5, W. Harvey 6, G. E. Retter (cond.) 7, J. Gooding 8.



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### DEATH

TURNER, Ernest Charles.—A dearly beloved husband, father and grandfather, passed away suddenly March 25th, 1964. A former president of the National Police Guild of Ringers. 4455

### PERSONAL

'Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.' (Hebrews xii, 14.)

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

DITCHER.—The address of Mr. F. B. Ditcher is now 'Fargo,' Church Road, Lelant, St. Ives, Cornwall. Phone Hayle 3104. 4445

HENDRY.—The address of Mr. and Mrs. Barrie Hendry is now Duncote Hall, Duncote, Towcester, Northampton. 4438

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### MISCELLANEOUS

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.—The annual general meeting will be held after the practice at St. Andrew-the-Great on Wednesday, April 29th. 4457

UNIVERSITY OF WALES SOCIETY.—Proposed tour, Ireland, October 1st-4th, 1964. All welcome. Those interested write to Miss K. Maylott, 57, Gurney Court Road, St. Albans, Herts. 4443

VETERANS' REUNION.—London, June 20th at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate. All 'Olde Tyme' ringers welcome and, please, will all our owners help to bring them along.—John Euston, 28, Fairmile Avenue, Streatham, S.W.16. 4463

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### MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Frome Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Morton-St. Philip on Sat., April 11th, Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. F. G. Phelps, 1, Chailey Furlong, Norton-St. Philip, nr. Bath.—E. Chivers, Chilcompton.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade District.—Meeting Blunham, Saturday, April 11th, Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30, Tea 5 p.m. S.M.: Thelwall and College Exercise. Everyone welcome.—M. Major, Dis. Sec. 4422

### BACK NUMBERS

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EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Meeting on Sat., April 11th, at Buckland (6) 2.30-5 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Reigate (10) 6.30-8.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Miss M. A. Ladd, 4, William Street, Tunbridge Wells, Kent. 4394

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cambridge District.—Meeting at Ickleton (8), on Sat., April 11th, Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30, Tea 5.—B. D. Threlfall, Dis. Sec. 4377

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Meeting at Old Woking on Sat., April 11th, Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. approx. for those who notify J. F. Soles, 123, Rydens Way, Old Woking. 4417

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.—N.E. Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Hants-ham on Saturday, April 11th, Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.15, Tea 5 p.m. Uplowman bells (6) available in evening. Names to G. W. Hollis, Rosneath, The Avenue, Tiverton. 4431

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—Meeting at Broxbourne on Sat., April 11th, Own tea arrangements.—R. Durrant, Dis. Sec. 4378

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—Sat., April 11th, at Whap-lode, Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30, Tea 5.30. Names for tea to K. R. Davey, 59, High Street, Holbeach, Lincs, Hon. Dis. Sec. 4380

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual meeting at Sunbury-on-Thames on Sat., April 11th, Ringing at Hampton 2.30, Sunbury 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting in Parish Hall to follow.—T. J. Lock, Gen. Sec. 4382

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Newbury Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Bucklebury on Sat., April 11th, Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to A. W. Davis, The Village, Bucklebury, Reading. 4396

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wimborne Branch.—Quarterly meeting on April 11th, Ringing Cranborne 2.30-4.30 p.m. Service 6 p.m. at Wimborne St. Giles', followed by ringing until 8.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. J. A. Robertson, Creech Cottage, Tarrant Keyneston, Blandford. 4401

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bingham District.—Meeting at Colston Bassett on April 11th, Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to W. L. Exton, St. Owen's, Whetton.—R. Blackshaw. 4400

STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.—A striking competition will be held at Bushbury, near Wolverhampton, on Saturday, April 11th. Draw at 3 p.m. Those requiring light refreshments afterwards, kindly being laid on by Bushbury ringers, should please send their names to Mr. M. R. Buckham, 17, Lauderdale Gardens, Bushbury, near Wolverhampton, by Wednesday, April 8th, latest.—C. M. S., Hon. Sec. 4346

SUFFOLK GUILD.—North West District.—Ringing meeting at Rougham (6), Sat., April 11th, Bells 2.30-9 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Please do help tea caterers by sending names for tea to Mr. L. Wright, Horrington Road Stores, Bury St. Edmunds.—A. F. Ballam, Dis. Sec. 4410

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—Practice meeting at Thakeham (6), Sat., April 11th, Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15, Tea at 5 o'clock for those who notify R. Wake, 28, Keynor Estate, Sidlesham, Chichester, Sussex, Tel.: Sidlesham 325. 4413

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southampton District.—Quarterly meeting at Bishonestoke on April 11th, Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15, Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting follows.—M. J. Thomas, Dis. Sec. 4448

FORDHAM, CAMBS.—A thanksgiving service for the restoration of the tower and bells will be held on Sunday, April 12th, Ringing 5.30-6.30 p.m. and after service. Everyone welcome. 4436

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Glastonbury Branch.—Meeting at St. John's, Glastonbury, Saturday, April 18th, Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting afterwards. Names for tea, please.—P. Hull, Dinder, Wells. 4425

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Chew Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Long Ashton (8), Saturday, April 18th, Bells 3 p.m. Divine service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business. Names for tea, please, by Thursday, April 16th.—D. G. Yeo, 'Estunc,' Brockway, Nailsea. 3910

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Crewkerne Branch.—Practice meeting, Curry Rivel (8), Saturday, April 18th, 7 p.m.—J. T. Locke, Hon. Sec. 4446

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Crewe Branch.—Wrenbury, April 18th, Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by April 15th. No name no tea.—W. Kerr, 107, Moreton Road, Crewe. 4460

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wirral Branch.—St. Bridget's, West Kirby, Saturday, April 18th, Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea free for those notifying by Thursday previous.—Alexander J. Martin, 28, Glenmore Road, Oxtou Birkenhead. 4462

CLEVELAND & NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Meeting at Northallerton on Saturday, April 18th, Bells (8) 2.30 to 7 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. P. Wishart, 8, Fairfield Avenue, Ormesby, Middlesbrough. 4447

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual general meeting on Sat., April 18th, at St. Nicholas Church, Warwick, Ringing from 2 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Church Hall followed by business meeting and social evening. Names for tea by April 15th to J. L. Garnett-Hayward, Lowfold, Ashorne, Warwick. 4402

DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Meeting at St. Michael's, Newburn, on Saturday, April 18th, Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Alan Taylor, 9, Beverley Terrace, Walbottle, Newcastle 5. 4421

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Hunts District.—Meeting at St. Neots, Saturday, April 18th, Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30, Tea 5 p.m.—M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 4437

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Quarterly meeting at Dagenham on April 18th, Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea by April 16th to Dr. J. Armstrong, 7, The Cobbles, Brentwood. 4392

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leatherhead District.—Meeting at Capel on April 18th, Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Notifications for tea by previous Wednesday to Mrs. H. Penfold, 6, Greendale, Capel, Dorking, Surrey. 4379

HALIFAX & DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—Ringing, Silkstone, April 18th, 2.30-4 p.m. Tea and meeting, Cawthorne, 5 o'clock. Names for tea to H. Rusby, Darton Road, Cawthorne, Barnsley.—T. Tarbatt. 4449

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Bishop's Stortford District.—Meeting at Brent Pelham on Saturday, April 18th, Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. No formal business meeting. Names for tea to W. J. Trigg, Lower Cottages, Brent Pelham, Buntingford.—D. Kingston. 4453

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—Hatfield, April 18th, Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names, please, to Miss A. Chapman, 18, Endymion Road, Hatfield, S.M.: Little Boh.—M. A. Coburn. 4435

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Meeting at Hythe, Saturday, April 18th, Bells (8, tenor 19 cwt.) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. W. J. Bidnell, 'Kenora,' London Road, Hythe, by previous Thursday.—C. T. H. 4424

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—Quarterly meeting, Lyvinge, near Folkestone, on Saturday, April 18th, Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Those who require tea (cost 2s.) please notify, by April 15th, Miss C. Selley, 'Brambletye,' Lyvinge, near Folkestone. 4423



**LADIES' GUILD.**—Devon Branch.—Annual meeting will be held at Clyst Honiton on Sat., April 18th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting. Clyst St. George bells (6) available 7 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. Q. Retter, Waldrans, Clyst Honiton, Exeter. Gentlemen welcomed.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—South Wales District.—Meeting, April 18th at Caldicot. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Gentlemen welcome. Names for tea, please, to J. S. King, The Cedar Tiles, High Beech Lane, Chepstow.

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Market Harborough District.—Meeting, Great Bowden, Saturday, April 18th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.—L. W. Allen, Dis. Sec. 4458

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—Meeting at Brooke on Sat., April 18th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wed., April 15th, to Mr. C. F. W. Philippo, 1, Council Houses, Bunwell, Norwich. NOR 01X.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Sonning Deanery Branch.—A combined practice will be held at Finchampstead on April 18th at 6 p.m. Special method: Killamarsh T.B. Minor.—B. C. Castle. 4439

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chiltern Branch.—Second A.G.M., Aston Clinton, Saturday, April 18th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Choral Evensong 4 p.m. Names for tea not later than Wednesday, April 15th. No name no tea guaranteed.—D. G. Wheeler, 47, Whaddon Chase, Aylesbury, Bucks. 4465

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wellingborough Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Earls Barton on Sat., April 18th, usual arrangements. Names for tea by previous Tues. to Mrs. Wilkins, 20, Queen Street, Earls Barton. 4418

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Daventry Branch.—Meeting, Harpole, Saturday, April 18th. Important, names for tea to me not later than Tuesday previous.—F. W. Hancock, Church View, Willoughby, Rugby. 4456

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Kettering Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Cranford, April 18th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. C. H. Newell, 19, Cranford. All welcome.—M. A. C. 4427

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Peterborough Branch.—Spring meeting, Castor, April 18th. Bells 2.45 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to P. J. Sismey, 'Prince of Wales,' Castor.—R. H. Daw, Sec. 4459

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—West Dorset Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Symonds-bury, Saturday, April 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to J. Davis, The Mount, Melpash, Bridport. 4433

**SALISBURY GUILD.**—Calne Branch.—Meeting, Wootton Bassett (8), April 18th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea, please, to E. Brooks, 16, Morstone Road, Wootton Bassett, Wilts.—W. Hacker. 4434

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, April 18th. St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, 3.15-4.30 p.m. Tea 5, in the Church Hall. Meeting to follow. St. John of Jerusalem, South Hackney, 6.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to F. J. Matthews, 6 Foxwood Road, Bean, near Dartford, Kent. 4419

**SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.**—Meeting at All Saints', Loughborough (10), at 3 p.m. on Sat., April 18th. Names for tea by Sat., April 11th to A. Myatt, 64, Toothill Road, Loughborough. 4493

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.**—Isle of Wight District.—Quarterly meeting, Brading, April 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Please notify Mr. East, 79, Avenue Road, Sandown, by April 14th. 4410

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Division.—Practice meeting at Barcombe (6), Sat., April 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Special method: Oxford Treble Bob Minor. Names for tea, by previous Wednesday please, to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierpoint. 4444

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—Quarterly meeting, Yateley, Sat., April 18th. Bells from 2.45. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names, please, by Wednesday, April 15th. J. Chesterman, Leacroft, Sherborne St. John, Basingstoke. 4450

**CUMBERLAND & NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting of the Association will be held at St. Michael's Church, Workington, on Sat., April 25th. Bells available 1.30 p.m. Tea 4.45. Meeting 5.30. Evensong 7. Those requiring tea should notify Mr. L. Boumphrey, 35, Brighourne Drive, Seaton, Workington, by April 18th.—J. W. Brownriff, Secretary. 4405

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Annual meeting, Lincoln, April 25th. Holy Communion 8 a.m. in the Ringers' Chapel at the Cathedral. Service 4.15 p.m. at the Cathedral, followed by tea and meeting in the Tithe Barn, Ringing Blankney (6) 11 a.m.—12; Metheringham (8) 12—1 p.m.; Nocton 1—2 p.m.; Lincoln Cathedral (12), St. Giles' (8), St. Peter-at-Gowts' (6) and St. Botolph's (6), 2—4 p.m. and after tea. Tea for those who inform Mr. J. Walden, 50, Cecil Street, Lincoln, by Wednesday previous.—John Freeman, Hon. Sec. 4461

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northampton Branch.—Business meeting, Pitsford, Sat., April 25th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to B. E. Frost, 40, Foxgrove Avenue, Northampton. 4376

#### THE RAILWAYMAN'S GUILD

Annual general meeting at Crewe, Sat., April 25th.

##### Programme

- 10.30 a.m. Business meeting, Kettell's Restaurant, High Street, Crewe.
- 11.30 a.m. Coach to Macclesfield.
- 12.30 p.m. Lunch at the Beehive Restaurant.
- 1.30 p.m. Ringing at St. Michael's (12), or St. Peter's (8).
- 2.30 p.m. Ringing at Christ Church (10), or St. Michael's.
- 4.30 p.m. Tea at the Beehive.
- 5.30 p.m. Return to Crewe by coach.
- 6.30/9 p.m. Ringing at Christ Church, Crewe, also on Friday evening.

J. Arthur Hoare, Hon. Sec. 4454

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Salisbury Branch.—April 25th, quarterly meeting, Martin. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Names by Tuesday, 21st, to G. A. Trimby, 24, West Street, Wilton. 4440

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Striking competition at Banstead on April 25th. Service 2.30 p.m. Draw 3 p.m. Entry forms from N. Steere, 1, Prior Avenue, Sutton, Surrey. All Sunday service bands in the county eligible. Tea after last band has competed. Names (other than competing bands) to Mr. H. Pitstow, Saffron, High Street, Banstead, Surrey, by April 22nd. General ringing after tea and meeting. 4395

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Beddington, on Sat., May 2nd. Ringing at Carshalton 3—4 p.m., Beddington 3—4.30 p.m., followed by service, tea, and meeting in Village Hall. Names for tea to Mr. S. Kimber, 31, East Drive, Carshalton Beeches.—R. I. Parsons. 4426

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Annual Festival will be held on Sat., May 9th, at Hartford, Northwich. Service 4 p.m. Preacher: Rev. C. H. Huggill. Rural Dean of Middlewich. Tea 5 p.m. followed by business meeting. Tickets for tea 4s. 6d. each, obtainable from Mr. R. W. Worrall, Hillcroft, 1, Vale Road, Hartford, Northwich, before May 4th. Towers available: Hartford (6) 2—4 p.m. and after the meeting; Middlewich (8) Over (8); Weaverham (6); Gt. Budworth (8); Davenham (6); Witton (8) all from 2—3.30 p.m. and after the meeting by arrangement.—Henry O. Baker, Gen. Sec. 4375

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD OF RINGERS.**—Exeter Branch.—Meeting at Bramford-Speke on Sat., May 9th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea 4.30. names early. Meeting following—G. Skinner, 38, Manston Road, Exeter. 4381

**MASONIC RINGERS' ANNUAL FESTIVAL.**—This Festival is being held at Oxford, on Sat., May 30th. Arrangements are as follows: Ringing at Kidlington (8) 12—1 p.m. All Saints' (8) 2—3; Cathedral (12) 3—4; Appleton (10) 4.30—5.30. Dinner at Masonic Hall, Oxford (333, Banbury Road), at 6.30 p.m., at approximate cost of 15s. 6d. per head. Cups of tea can be provided, also bed and breakfast for those wishing to stay the night. Replies to: H. Badger, 53, Ridgeway Road, Headington, Oxford (stating Lodge number), Tel. Oxford 61419. 4441

**SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—Borough Jubilee Ringing Day, Sat., July 18th. Ringing arrangements: Great Wakering (6) 2—3.30; Prittlewell (10) 3—4.30; Leigh (6) 6—7.30; Thorpe Bay (8) 7—8.30; Prittlewell 8—9.15. Rayleigh (8) and South Benfleet (6) will be made available on application to P. Sloman, 26, Ennismore Gardens, Southend-on-Sea. 4452

#### ROVING RINGERS' REUNION

THE Roving Ringers' annual reunion was held this year in Bath, during the first weekend in February. Members converged from different parts of England, in brilliant spring sunshine, which was so different from the previous snow-bound reunion in Worcester. The first tower of the weekend was St. Michael's, Bath, with a pleasant eight situated in the middle of a busy road junction. The bells were soon going well to a course of Cambridge but ringing deteriorated, however, with Stedman. Grandsire, Plain Bob and Double Norwich. A spot of trouble occurred as our Ringing Master left the tower. A policeman was waiting by his car, which had been parked over some white lettering on the road! However, he managed to talk himself out of that one!

After lunch, we managed with some difficulty to find our way out of Bath, to Twerton (a light, ground floor eight). Here we rang a good course of London. We found ringing conditions very cramped at Corston but they enabled members to take full advantage of the sunshine. The lightness of the bells and lack of space probably accounted for the ringing not being of a very high standard. The day's ringing concluded on the enjoyable eight at St. Mary's, Bathwick.

The Society then returned to Pratt's Hotel, the headquarters for the weekend, and there was the usual scramble for bathrooms. Fifty-five members, including one of our honorary members, Mr. F. E. Collins, of Croydon, sat down to an excellent dinner. A short business meeting was afterwards conducted in the lounge by the chairman, George Evenden.

Fred Ellis, from Wheathampstead, was elected Ringing Master for the following year; Don Cobb became the new secretary and treasurer; Adrienne Gibson was elected hon. recorder. It was decided to hold next year's tour in Dorset, Wilts and Somerset, the beginning and ending points to be decided by the secretary.

The usual showing of slides and photographs of the previous year's tour followed. The evening continued with a general get together which went on well into the night.

Ringing on Sunday morning commenced on the anti-clockwise ten at Bath Abbey. Full justice was not done to these bells by the Society.

After a leisurely lunch, the Society went to Wells, where the heavy ten at the Cathedral were enjoyed by all. The final tower of the reunion was St. Cuthbert's, Wells (another fine eight). A course of London here lent a fitting end to a most enjoyable reunion.

Our thanks to incumbents for the use of their bells and to Roger Fry for his help in the arrangements. J. H. A. G.

#### LATE NOTICES

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton Branch.—Meeting at Chipping, Sodbury (6) on Saturday, April 18th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to P. Mills, Wotton-under-Edge, Glos. 4464

**SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—Practice meeting at Willingdon (6) on April 25th. Bells 3 till 5 and 6 till 8 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. B. Percy, 'Esperance,' 47, Oldfield Road, Willingdon, Eastbourne.—I. Smith, Sec. 4466



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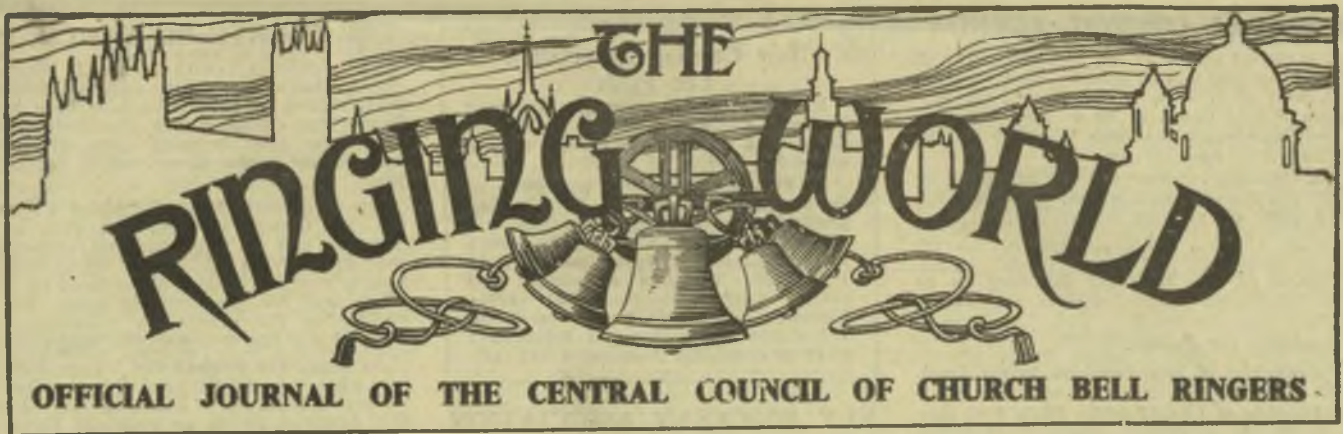
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## THE BELLS OF ST. MARY'S, SOUTHAMPTON

By K. S. B. CROFT

**J**UST 50 years ago the bells of St. Mary's, the mother church of Southampton, were installed to complete a tower and spire scheme which had formed part of the original plan of a new church—the fifth—on an ancient site of Christian worship on the west bank of the River Itchen. The church authorities, with good reason, are intending to celebrate this anniversary in a fitting manner. On Sunday, April 26th, both Matins and Evensong will have the theme of bells to the fore; in the morning a plaque recording a lifetime of service to St. Mary's and its bells by Mr. John W. Faithfull will be dedicated, when the preacher will be Canon K. W. H. Felstead, Master of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild; in the evening a ringers' pew will be placed in the church and dedicated, the preacher on this occasion being Canon A. G. G. Thurlow, president of the Central Council.

The bells, an outright gift by a parishioner, Mary Ann Wingrove, in memory of her husband, were originally an octave, remaining so until 1933, when two trebles were added through the Barron Bell Trust. Their arrival in Southampton in 1914 was virtually a civic occasion, for there was a pageant of the bells. Each one was taken on a horse-drawn trolley from the Docks Railway Station to the church along a two-mile route through the centre of the town, and each trolley was decorated in appropriate colours to represent the major festivals of the Church. The treble, for example, symbolised the Feast of the Nativity, and typified infancy, selected schoolchildren dressed in white and carrying flowers riding on the trolley with the bell. Aged parishioners rode with the seventh, which represented the Trinity, the colour motif being green, and they were not deterred from enjoying their rôle, according to a contemporary account, by the tenor behind them accompanied by an allegorical figure of Father Time, complete with scythe! These bells were cast by Taylor's, the tenor weighing 22 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in E flat.

The bells were set up on a raised platform near the chancel steps for the dedication, a most impressive ceremony at the close of Evensong one Sunday. Hardly had they been hung in the tower, however, than the Great War broke out. It was during the grim days of war that these bells were to provide the inspiration which has made them famous through the song 'The Bells of St. Mary's' yet, strangely enough, the facts are probably not as well-enough known to the Exercise as they should be. Douglas Furber and the Australian composer A. Emmett Adams heard St. Mary's bells sounding across the River Itchen one wartime night, and the former, who wrote the lyric, has told the story of his meeting with the Australian: 'Because we both loved

the same things, we got together to write songs, and then we heard the bells of St. Mary's, the mother church of Southampton, in sight and sound of the sea—a lovely ring of bells.' He has spoken of how 'The Bells of St. Mary's' was eventually accepted by the publishers, and of how it ran into tens of thousands of copies. Introduced into the United States in 1917, it was immediately adopted by the New York State Maritime College as their college song.

Rather over 50 peals have been rung here, beginning with a half-muffled one of Stedman Triples in 1916 for the fallen. This was conducted by George Williams, who frequently rang at St. Mary's. The belfry, indeed, houses the George Williams Memorial Library of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild. The first peal of Major was Double Norwich, taking part in which were John W. Faithfull, later to be captain of the ringers for more than 30 years, and D. Cecil Williams, the present organist, who has held office for a similar length of time. In 1931 Cecil Williams conducted a peal to celebrate his appointment as organist and master of the music. The first peal of Surprise in Southampton was rung here in 1922, and in the following year 5,024 Bob Major with a most exceptional footnote: 'The ringers of Treble and 2nd each lost an arm in the Great War—J. W. Faithfull the left, and G. Pullinger the right.' Both these gentlemen have maintained a life-long interest in ringing, Mr. Pullinger being, of course, sometime Master of the Guild. Mrs. G. W. Fletcher, as Miss Edith K. Parker, was the first lady to take part in a peal on these bells, ringing the fourth to Superlative in 1923. Following the increase to ten, Grandsire Caters was scored by the local band at the first attempt in 1934, and the first of Royal—Cambridge—the next year.

St. Mary's was burnt out during the great air raid on Southampton in 1940: so extensive was the damage to the bells that Taylor's could do no more than advise a complete recasting. The work was put in hand after the war and the bells rehung in 1948 as a mark of the intention of the authorities to restore the church. Charles H. Kippin conducted the first peal on the recast ring—Kent Treble Bob Royal, the same method as the last on the old bells, the 1939 peal mentioned above. The remaining peal of historical note was one of Grandsire Caters in 1956 to mark the dedication of the completely rebuilt fabric, the sixth church of St. Mary on the same site of Christian worship since mediæval times.

Both the church in its age-long history and the bells in their comparatively short life have experienced triumph and disaster. Yet both have symbolised the resilience of the Christian faith and both are outward-looking: the bells sending forth their sound to inspire all those who will listen, and St. Mary's itself vigorously working to forge links far and wide, in which task the bells have their part.



## CENTRAL COUNCIL AGENDA

The second session of the 25th Council (67th annual meeting) will be held on Whitsun Tuesday, May 19th, 1964, in the Town Hall, Bos-cawen Street, Truro, at 10 o'clock.

Will members please sign the Roll and be in their seats by 9.45 a.m.

The morning session will be adjourned at 12.30 and the afternoon session will commence at 2 p.m. or as may be decided.

### AGENDA

Report of the Honorary Secretary as to representation of Societies and as to subscriptions.

Apologies for absence.

Presentation of new members to the President.

- 1 Election of Life Members (Rule 7 (i) (b)).  
Mr. A. A. Hughes, proposed on behalf of the Standing Committee by Mr. F. W. Perrins, seconded by Mr. J. F. Smallwood.
- 2 Election of Honorary Members.  
Mrs. R. F. B. Speed and Mr. G. W. Pipe retire and are eligible for re-election. There are five vacancies.
- 3 Loss of members through death.
- 4 Minutes of the last meeting.
- 5 Report of the Honorary Secretary.
- 6 Report of the Honorary Librarian.
- 7 Balance Sheet and Accounts for the year ended December 31st, 1963
- 8 Report of the Trustees of the Carter Ringing Machine.
- 9 To receive, discuss and, if thought fit, to adopt the reports of the following committees:  
To pass such resolutions as may be necessary on matters arising out of the reports.
- (a) Standing Committee.
- (b) 'The Ringing World' Committee.
- (c) Sunday Service Ringing and Education Committee.
- (d) Records Committee.
- (e) Literary and Press Committee.
- (f) Towers and Belfries Committee.
- (g) Broadcasting and Television Committee.
- (h) Biographies Committee.
- (i) Peals Analysis Committee.
- (j) Overseas Ringing Committee.
- (k) Peals Collection Committee.
- (l) Methods Committee.

### ALTERATION OF RULE

- 10 To amend Rule 9 (Meetings of the Council) by substituting the words 'at a previous meeting' for 'at the previous meeting' in lines 2 and 3.  
Proposed on behalf of the Standing Committee by Mr. E. A. Barnett, seconded by Mr. F. I. Hairs.

### MOTIONS

- 11 (a) 'That this Council shall no longer recognise as ringing any even-bell method which has four places made between successive rows on more than one occasion in a half-lead.'  
Proposed by Mr. D. A. Bayles, seconded by Mr. K. Arthur.
- (b) 'That this Council investigate and report on the possibilities of systematic nomenclature for methods.'  
Proposed by Mr. D. A. Bayles, seconded by Mr. K. Arthur.
- 12 To fix the place of the next meeting.
- 13 Any other business.

E. A. BARNETT,  
Honorary Secretary.

26, Iron Mill Lane,  
Crayford, Kent.

## New Leading Association For Peals

For very many years the Leicester Diocesan Guild has headed the list of Guilds and Associations for the ringing of peals.

In 1963 they lost their leadership to the Lancashire Association. The leading positions are (1962 in parentheses):  
Lancashire Association 218 (140);  
Leicester Guild 197 (205); Oxford Guild 175 (178); Yorkshire Association 163 (137); Kent Association 147 (170);  
Lincoln Guild 126 (135); Chester Guild 122 (155); Gloucester and Bristol 117 (81); Hertfordshire Association 103 (64).

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

THE annual meeting of the Ely Diocesan Association was held this year in the Ely District, where much of the landscape was Fenland. Weather conditions were typical of those experienced this Easter.

Ringing commenced at 10 a.m. from two points—Swaffingham Prior and March. Towers open during the day were Burwell, Chippenham, Isleham, Wicken, Soham, Doddington, Chatteris, Sutton, Haddenham, Willingham, Stretham, Ely, Littleport and Cottenham.

The service was held in St. Andrew's Church, Soham, and was conducted by the Vicar (Canon Haliday Smith). He gave a cordial welcome to over 150 people present. Tea was served in the Church Hall by a willing band of helpers.

Before the business meeting the general secretary (Mr. H. S. Peacock) welcomed all present, especially the visitors from other Guilds and Associations. These included members from Lincoln, Suffolk, Hertfordshire, Middlesex, Bedfordshire, Coventry and Leicester.

Mr. W. W. Cousins was elected to the chair for the business meeting. The officers, who were re-elected, are: General secretary and treasurer, Mr. H. S. Peacock; peal secretary, Mr. B. D. Threlfall; auditor, Mr. T. R. Dennis.

### ENTHRONEMENT DAY RINGING

The report wished the president, the Lord Bishop, a happy retirement, and extended a welcome to his successor, the Rt. Rev. E. J. K. Roberts, who is expected to be enthroned in May. The committee express the wish that all towers in the Diocese will ring on that day or shortly afterwards. The new Bishop is a bellringer.

Bell restoration went steadily on. Brampton's ring of six, completed 18 months ago, had not yet been dedicated, the reason being the installation of a new clock. Much hard work in raising money had taken place at Great Gidding. The front four had been repaired and were ringing, but the tenor needed attention. Fordham bells went to the foundry last July, the third and tenor to be recast and the other four retuned. They are to be rehung in an iron frame and new fittings. Kimbolton bells (5) are to be removed to the foundry and rehung in an iron frame.

### 100 PEOPLE RANG IN PEALS

The peal secretary's report stated that 48 peals were rung during the year, viz: Caters 2, Major 21, Triples 2, Minor 16 and Doubles 7. Of notable peals that which would give pleasure to most people was that at Barkway for Mr. T. Reginald Dennis' 80th birthday. A total of 100 people took part in the peals and conducting was shared by 18 people. The leading conductor was Mr. G. E. Thoday.

It was decided to visit the Cambridge area next Easter Monday. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Ely District secretary, (Mr. R. J. Palmer) for the able way he made all the arrangements assisted by many willing helpers.

## THE FOURTH OF MARCH, 1964

THE Appleton Fourth of March celebration is the one ringing occasion which is never missed by those who have been before. Every year creates a new record for attendance: this year bringing some 110 ringers and friends to the dinner, which fell on the 7th.

The customary 5,039 Grandsire Caters by the late George Holfield was rung in the morning, and to those who sat umpiring in the 'Plough', the peal seemed up to standard. Lunch, kindly provided for the band by Frank White and his long-suffering sister, was the prelude to the afternoon's relaxations, and by 6.30 the festive mood was apparent.

As usual, the meal in the Village Hall was just what was needed, and the speeches just what was expected. 'Expected' in the sense that Appleton thrives on tradition: those who spoke were all old friends of Appleton and knew how to keep that tradition going. Mr. William Hibbert, proposing 'The Church', paid tribute to the Oxford Diocesan Guild, coupling with it the name of the Master, Canon C. Elliot Wigg. In reply, Canon Wigg recalled the war years at Appleton, and the maintenance of the old traditions during that time. He and his wife had taken part in a quarter peal 'in hand' on one March 4th when the exigencies of defence prevented the church bells from being heard.

The toast of 'The Appleton Society' was proposed by Mr. Fred Sharpe, known to all as one who has the interests of Appleton deeply at heart. He traversed the history of the Whites, the Hollifields, and all those who had helped to make Appleton a famous name in ringing circles. Mr. Sharpe dropped a minor thunderbolt on the gathering by announcing that Mr. Frank White had been entrusted with the rehanging of New College bells. Frank, in his response, recalled the death of his uncle, Mr. C. G. White, and a short silence was observed in memory of 'Uncle John'.

The Rector, the Rev. Dr. A. Tindall-Hart, welcomed the visitors, and Mr. F. J. Nelson, on behalf of the Oxford University Society, spoke of the debt owed by that Society to Appleton.

Songs and handbell ringing, in the Appleton manner, brought the day nearer its end. It was pleasing to see that the places in the handbell team left by the deaths of two greatly missed members of the White family were filled by 'Uncle John's' grandson and one of Frank's nephews, both of whom performed as to the manner born, as indeed they were.

If any reader has not yet visited Appleton on March 4th, I suggest he writes now for next year's tickets. Those who have been are booked up for many years in advance.

J. E. C.

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

It was unfortunate that the Mansfield District meeting, held at Kirkby-in-Ashfield, on March 21st, was so poorly attended. This thriving little five-bell tower can boast 17 young Guild ringing members, thanks to the interest and guidance of their captain, Miss Thelma Staples, and her assistants.

The Rev. D. A. G. Brinn conducted a short and most fitting service, which was followed by tea in the Church Hall kindly prepared by the local ladies. The following Kirkby ringers were elected Guild members: Messrs. I. Pitman and T. G. Webb, the Misses F. A. Hill, S. Tannert, L. M. Bagguley and B. E. Diggle.

Next meeting—Edwinstowe, May 23rd—District Cup Contest.  
D. J. B.

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## Tenterden Revisited for Kent A.G.M. after 59 Years

GREY skies and chilly winds did not deter an enthusiastic attendance at the annual general meeting of the Kent County Association at Tenterden on Easter Monday. Indeed, applications from ten members for luncheon tickets had to be returned after the closing date as no accommodation was left. Young people were present in large numbers, but there were two veterans who had also been present at the A.G.M. at Tenterden in 1905—F. S. Macey, who attended his first A.G.M. that day 59 years ago, and Edwing Barnett, who in years of membership, having joined in 1896, is second only to Edward S. Ruck, sole surviving member who on May 18th will have been a member for 84 years.

Ringling took place in the morning at various towers in the district, including St. Mildred's Parish Church, Tenterden, where at noon a grand Easter service of praise was conducted by the Vicar, Canon H. Willis. The singing was led by some members of the Tenterden choir, supported by robed clergy, the Revs. P. T. Robbins, S. Evans and P. N. Bond. The Mayor of Tenterden, Alderman Colonel E. F. Foreman, occupied the Mayor's pew, accompanied by Mrs. Foreman. At the suggestion of the Vicar, the offertory of over £12 was donated to a special appeal the Mayor is conducting to raise in 1964 the sum of £400 for the Church of England Children's Society.

### THOSE PASSED ON REMEMBERED

The service opened with the Easter hymn 'Ye choirs of new Jerusalem.' Mr. John Willis, of Folkestone, vice-president of the Association and chairman, read the lesson, being the gospel for the day—the walk to Emmaus. After the singing of the hymn 'The strife is o'er' the Vicar read the names of those who had died since the last A.G.M. These were: Messrs. E. H. Lewis, B. Aldridge, J. J. Batchelor, J. Beach, F. A. Fairbeard, F. Gorrington, E. Hannington, S. H. Hardy, S. Honour, H. Huntley, J. E. Lyddiard, W. Mayturn, T. Saunders, S. A. White, A. F. Wellington; honorary, Mrs. J. Willis, A. R. Cooper and Lt.-Gen. A. L. Foster; non-resident, J. W. Cornford, A. E. Edwards, A. C. Hazelden and H. Stalham. This was followed by the general thanksgiving and the Association prayer.

The Vicar, in his address, welcomed the visitors and spoke favourably of the size of the congregation, the heartiness of the singing and his pleasure at seeing so many young people. He reminded the congregation of their duty to attend public worship since all needed the presence of each other to provide the inspiration that such a service as that could give.

Luncheon was served at the Homewood School by local voluntary helpers, most ably organised by Miss Violet Relf, her brother and other local ringers. After the loyal toast Mr. John Willis gave a hearty welcome to the Mayor and Mrs. Foreman, the Vicar and Mrs. Willis, Mr. W. Tickner, the churchwarden, and Mr. Longman, the organist.

In his reply, the Mayor spoke enthusiastically of his family connections with Kentish ringers, having lived most of his life in the county and being a Kentish man. He had been uplifted by the service in the parish church and he and his wife had greatly enjoyed their contact with the ringers that day and he hoped they would have a successful meeting. He said their Vicar, who had arrived in the parish towards the end of the work on the bells, had been greatly surprised at the speed at which the money for the restoration had been raised. This surely indicated the great love the ordinary Englishman had for the bells of his parish church.

### 1,182 RESIDENT MEMBERS

After the departure of the guests the members and their friends adjourned to the school hall for the business meeting. The secretary, Mr. P. A. Corby, reported apologies for absence of the editor of 'The Ringing World' and from Mr. B. F. L. Groves, who was taking part in the attempt at Birmingham for a record length of Cambridge Maximus.

Mr. Corby moved the adoption of the printed annual report, which showed 1,182 resident members and 80 honorary. This was seconded by Mr. Terry Barton and approved. The secretary referred to more recent developments in connection with certain items. The committee had considered the proposed F. M. Mitchell Memorial and, on behalf of the committee Mr. P. A. Corby moved and Mr. F. S. Macey seconded and it was agreed that the Association should proceed with the provision of an investment of £50 for bell ropes for Milton-next-Gravesend Church to be commemorated by a stone, wooden or bell metal tablet in the church, subject to the necessary faculty, on which the wording at present proposed (subject to confirmation by the Faculty Commission) was 'In Memory of Frederick M. Mitchell, Captain of this tower, 1910-1960: General Secretary, Kent County Association of Change Ringers, 1928-47; Treasurer, 1928-1956; Master, Ancient Society of College Youths, 1932. This tablet has been erected by members and friends of the Kent County Association of Change Ringers: who have also endowed the maintenance of the bell ropes of this Church.'

### RESTORATION WORK

The secretary advised the meeting that the committee had that morning considered the present position of restoration work in various towers as follows: Pluckley, Tenterden (where the secretary had been in touch with Mr. R. Clouston, of the Central Council for the Care of Churches, regarding the unsatisfactory 'go' of the bells even after the recent re-hanging), Queenborough, East Malling (where the Towers and Belfries Committee of the Central Council had given a report and it was hoped a new iron frame for eight bells would be provided, the six rehung and possibly at some time two trebles added), Smeth (where the anticipated augmentation would not now take place), Ash-by-Wrotham, Merham, Lamberhurst, Cuxton, Sevenoaks, Upchurch, Frindsbury, Birling, Ashford and Eastling.

The accounts were presented by Mr. B. W. May, the treasurer, who proposed formal adoption. This was seconded by Mr. A. Dunk and agreed, after Mr. A. S. Richards, auditor, had expressed appreciation of the care and skill with which Mr. May kept the Association's accounts. The balance sheet showed assets of £1,250.

Mr. I. H. Oram, the peal secretary, formally moved the adoption of his report as printed. This was seconded by Mr. E. A. Barnett, who expressed the thanks of the meeting to Mr. Oram for his sterling work, particularly in sorting out the confusion in the numbering of the Association peals in earlier years.

During 1963, 146 peals were rung for the Association, 24 less than the previous year. Mr. Ian H. Oram was leading conductor (27) and 28 members rang their first peal. Notable performances were peals by the local bands of Lympne, Tonbridge and Wittersham, and two peals of Glasgow Surprise Major by two separate bands.

The president and vice-presidents were re-elected and also the following officers: Honorary secretary, Mr. P. A. Corby; peal secretary, Mr. I. H. Oram; honorary treasurer,

Mr. B. W. May; honorary auditor, Mr. A. S. Richards.

### RALLY INSTEAD OF DINNER

Mr. T. A. Cross, the Maidstone District secretary, reported it had been impossible to arrange a suitable place for the annual dinner in his District within the usual price range, and the total cost per head might well be in the region of 25s. On a show of hands only 34 expressed a hope to be present in spite of the cost. This was felt to be insufficient support and, after some discussion, Rev. P. T. Robbins proposed and Mr. T. A. Cross seconded and it was agreed, that instead of the dinner a ringers' rally should be organised for the whole Association in the Maidstone District in the summer, when evenings were light. This would comprise ringling at various towers, a service, tea, but no business.

Mr. P. A. Corby proposed and Mr. S. Rayfield seconded the adoption of the revised rules as set out in a memorandum dated December, 1962, which had been circulated to all towers. The committee had accepted the substance of a resolution from the Rochester District, which had the effect of dropping the proposed affiliation fee for towers. The resident members' subscriptions would, for the time being at any rate, remain at the present rates.

After a lengthy discussion the revised rules were adopted.

### INACCURATE ARTICLE CHALLENGED

The secretary reported that he had written to 'Hopleaf,' a correspondent in a most interesting monthly magazine, 'Kent Life,' in connection with a very inaccurate article which had appeared in the January issue giving the impression that ringling was a dying art. Mr. Richard Hough, of Folkestone had written an excellent letter in the February issue correcting the misleading impression given by the article. 'Hopleaf' had written a most charming letter to the secretary regretfully declining an invitation to be present at that day's meeting and promising to make amends in some future article for what he could now see was ignorance about ringling, particularly now he had seen a Kent County Association report.

The chairman presented suitable gifts which he had provided to Mr. Crawford Hillis, Ashford District secretary, and Miss Violet Relf, of Tenterden, in appreciation of the splendid work they had done in making the arrangements for the meeting, which, with its near-record attendance of over 200, had been most successful.

Mr. Corby expressed the thanks of the meeting to all who had made it possible; the Vicar, the Mayor, the organist, the churchwarden, the caterers and all others concerned, not least the other clergy who had made bells available. He went on to express the thanks of the members to their chairman, whom they held in great affection and esteem. Mr. Willis replied and expressed his thanks for the great kindness of members to him at all times, but particularly at the time of the death of his dear wife.

### SOMERSET REMEMBERS

Ringers from several Somerset towers met at Ilminster on April 1st to ring a quarter of Bob Major as an 80th birthday compliment to Mr. Harry Shire. Mr. Shire, who is still ringling at Tewin, in Hertfordshire, was brought up in the West Country and Ilminster was his home tower many years ago. Although the quarter was found to be false, due to a fault in copying, the ringers send Mr. Shire their very best wishes for 'Many Happy Returns of the Day.'

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# Letters to the Editor

## Floral Names

Dear Sir.—The recent peal of Doubles at Tanglely recalls the controversy in the 1920's over the use of 'floral' names—subsequently altered—for various Minor methods. The then Editor of 'The Ringing World' commented that when the band had exhausted the possibilities of floriculture they might turn their attention to horticulture, when we could expect to see peals in such methods as Onion Delight and Beetroot Surprise. I commend the idea to Mr. Dodd and his friends—the names wouldn't sound any sillier than some of those they used.—Yours faithfully,

E. A. BARNETT.

Crayford, Kent.

## A Good Idea

Dear Sir.—Are my wife and I the only ones to think that the Washington venture is a good idea and to feel satisfied with the band that Mr. John Chilcott has invited?—Yours faithfully,

Southampton.

K. S. B. CROFT.

## Views not Representative

Dear Sir.—Like many other readers of 'The Ringing World,' I was shocked at the most distasteful letter on page 220 from Mr. F. I. Hairs who, I notice, is a member of the Editorial Committee of 'The Ringing World.'

We shall support what worthy fund we like and not allow Mr. Hairs to dictate how we dispose of our money.

In any case the major expense will be borne by Washington and it is a privilege that we are able to make some financial contribution and an honour that English ringers should be invited to ring for the dedication, thus making the occasion important to us as well as to Americans. It is certainly an important one for both English bellfounders, since both carillon and ringing peal will be heard.

Surely the ringing of bells is to the glory of God and not to the ringers or church people, be they American or English.

To our American cousins I say—take no notice of Mr. Hairs, his warped view is not representative of English ringers.

I wish the selected ringers well. May they prove worthy representatives of ringers in this country and their ringing give pleasure to the American people.—Yours truly,

J. R. LITTLE (Miss).

Derby.

## Silent Towers

Dear Sir.—First may I say what an excellent leading article appeared in the issue of April 3rd under 'Break That Silence.' I am certain that tremendous good is done by ringing the bells in a silent tower on occasion.

Quarterly and practice meetings will usually touch each tower in turn if all are treated alike, the fives and sixes with the eights and over, and in an attempt to ring in silent towers a little more frequently my own District decided to try and get all ringable bells rung for the Christmas Festival last year; this was fully accomplished by the nearest band to the particular silent tower making itself responsible for ringing as near Christmas Day as possible.

Also, I would like to support the remarks of Mr. Frank Knight re Grandsire or Plain Bob for learners. It seems to be most general, in the South at any rate, to begin with Grandsire, but I think this came about through bands of ringers with no outside help having to take advantage of the method having two bells plain hunting, and this can make a very real difference in a country tower. Apart from this, Plain Bob is obviously the gateway to many methods on all numbers of bells and, once mastered, Grandsire would follow with or without other methods as and when required.—Yours sincerely,

CHARLES E. BASSETT.

Warrash, Hants.

## A Scottish Viewpoint

Dear Sir.—There are two things about which I have been meaning to write for some time. They have no connection yet I include them in the same letter because writing twice is quite unnecessary when only once will suffice.

My first comment I make with my tongue in my cheek because it invites immediate hostile reaction from many quarters. I wish to express my disapproval of the way in which you have been publishing the odd letter proudly acclaiming the achievement of some Sunday band in ringing regularly for a long, unbroken period. I cannot, I must confess, claim to be a member of such a band, yet this is no case of 'sour grapes'; a band that has rung for every service over a period of several years is to be highly commended. My objection is in the way that some bands are now advertising their achievement and are, themselves, seeking the commendation. I know that we are told 'Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works' . . . but the purpose for this is so that they may . . . worship your Father which is in Heaven.'

I am, myself, very impressed by the length of regular service given by some of the bands, but the way in which we are notified of their records does tend to 'take the gilt off the ginger-bread.' As an illustration, I picked a recent 'Ringing World' at random and found the following words in one such letter: ' . . . we have almost completed an unbroken run of ringing for a thousand services in a little under ten years . . .'; this is indeed a record of which they feel justly proud. I would suggest, however, that perhaps it might have been preferable had a short statement appeared in 'Belfry Gossip' cloaked in anonymity.

Completely apart from this, the old business of method-naming has cropped again and I noticed in a letter from Derek P. Jones two weeks ago a suggestion to use Irish or Scottish names. The idea is such a good one that I am surprised that nobody else has thought seriously of tapping the vast supply of excellent names that Scotland has to offer. A few small places that I can recall off-hand provide an example and it doesn't take an intensive study of a Scottish atlas to compose an almost unending list. Auchterarder and Invergowrie, Stirlingshire and Perthshire, Incture (pronounced 'Inchture'), Blairgowrie and St. Fillans are all names with a delightful lilt to them that sound as good as, if not better than, some of the names under dispute. I respectfully suggest to anyone who is looking for a title for their latest performance to direct their search north of the border, where they should surely find a satisfactory solution. — Yours faithfully,

Dundee.

P. T. DALE.

## Converts Impossible

Dear Sir.—Although my ringing experience, I suspect, doesn't quite compare with most of the previous contributors, I feel I would like to add my opinion to those already expressed. (I can almost hear the cries—'Not another one. Why doesn't someone stop it?')

My home tower has plain rope ends and it was on these that I learnt to ring. I'll admit I like them as they're easy to adjust when they've 'gone up' or 'come down,' and also the dangerous practice of standing on numerous boxes or forms is done away with!

I do, however, prefer to ring peals, of which I have rung one or two on ropes having Yorkshire tail ends, for they are indeed 'kind to your hands.'

In defence of the Barnsley and District Society ringers I should like to say that those who have argued their point did it because in their experience, they have found Yorkshire tail ends better for their own personal requirements and standards, for the same reason those who prefer plain ends have argued their point. One side will never convert the other no matter how much is said on the subject. —Yours faithfully,

A BARNSELY AND DISTRICT MEMBER.

## Saints' Name Peals

Mr. P. Amos writes that St. George is Winchendon plain leads with half-leads of Original called as bobs, and Old Doubles calls for singles. Call B. S. B. Pl. three times and you get 2nd observation.

You can get 4ths observation if you start off Original without calling bob, as the bob is called three blows from the end of the 120. To get 120 of 4ths observation you call Pl., B. S. B. three times instead of B. S. B. Pl. as for 2nd observation. There are only the two observations; 3rd and 5th do not give a 120.

The principle was first rung by Mr. Alan Pink's band some years ago to St. Simon's plain leads which they named St. Matthew, and to St. Martin's which they named St. Mark. I discovered it went to St. Nicholas, and so named that St. Silvester, which we rang to a peal on St. Silvester's Day (December 31st, 1961) at Weston Favell.

Mr. G. F. Roome wrote it up to Winchendon, and named it St. George—being fully aware that no peal to that title had previously been rung. Mr. Blagrove is therefore as wrong in his description of St. George's Doubles as he is of St. David's.

St. David's Doubles is Reverse Canterbury plain leads with New Antelope single called as a bob, and that is what we rang at Scaldwell, Northants, on St. David's Day, 1962. It was previously rung by a Notts band, who passed it on to me; they chose the name—St. David's! Since then I have got out a St. Patrick, which is St. Osmund with Old bob calls. St. Osmund, on the principle of St. George's, I have named St. Anthony. St. Bede, which I passed on to Mr. Kirk's band (which was included in their Loughborough peal), is All Saints' plain leads with London extremes called as bobs.

These same extremes are used (as Mr. Blagrove rightly states) to get St. Blaise: the first peal of St. Blaise the Peterborough Guild also rang—at Blakesley for, if my memory serves me right, the festival of St. Blaise, 1960, about which the late Mr. Ernest Morris penned an interesting history of St. Blaise, who is patron saint of woolcombers.

We have also rung the first peals of St. Guthlac, at St. Guthlac's Church, Passenham, which is New Antelope single plain leads with Old bob calls. The first of St. Perpetua, which is New Antelope single with London extremes, rung at Isham for the festival of St. Perpetua, in 1963. The first of St. Polycarp, which is New Antelope single with Grandsire extremes (also known as Chace Bobs in Monk's 1766 Campanologia Improved), at Whiston, on St. Polycarp's Day, 1964. The first of St. Crispin, which is Winchendon with New Antelope single called for bobs, at Pytchley for St. Crispin's Day, 1962. The first of St. Jude's, which is St. Simon's with New Antelope single called as bobs, for SS. Simon and Jude's festival, 1962, at Boughton. The first of St. Mary, for the festival of the Purification, 1962, at St. Mary's Church, Orlingbury. The first of St. Philip, which is New Antelope single, with a plain lead of Reverse Canterbury for a bob, on the feast of SS. Philip and James, 1963, at Grafton Underwood. The first of St. Laurence (spelt u, not w) for the feast of St. Laurence, 1962, at Courtenhall, and this is St. Martin's plain leads with New Antelope single for bobs.

Then there is New Antelope single with a lead of Plain Bob as a bob which we named St. Matthias, and which Mr. Kirk's band rang at Loughborough. There is also New Antelope single with a lead of Shipway's Place as a bob, which we named St. James. Shipway's Place with a lead of All Saints for a bob is St. Denys. Shipway's Place with Grandsire extremes is St. Barnabas. Shipway's Place with Old bob calls is St. Boniface. All these Messrs. Graham C. Paul, Roger W. Smith, Alan A. Paul and George F. Roome, besides myself, had a hand in discovering, naming and ringing. To most of those with New Antelope single for plain leads, there is no 2nds observation.

It should be no trouble to ring a peal of 42 Saint named; or another novelty is a peal of SS. Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.



# ANALYSIS OF PEALS RUNG DURING 1963

## according to Guilds and Associations

Ancient Society of College Youths.—Maximus 2, Cinqs 6, Caters 2, Major 7, Triples 6, Minor 1. Total 24.

Anzab.—Royal 1, Major 4 (1), Triples 1 (1), Minor 1, Doubles 1. Total 10 (2).

Bath and Wells.—Royal 2, Caters 2, Major 44 (2), Triples 3, Minor 19 (2), Doubles 17. Total 91 (4).

Bedfordshire.—Royal 1, Caters 1, Major 7, Triples 1, Minor 12, Doubles 1 (3). Totals 26 (3).

Cambridge University.—Cinqs 2, Royal 1 (1), Caters 1 (3), Major 9 (1), Triples 1, Minor (6). Total 25 (11).

Chester Diocesan.—Maximus 3 (1), Cinqs 1, Royal 8 (5), Caters 1, Major 53 (6), Triples 5, Minor 32 (1), Doubles 4, Minimus 2. Total 122 (13).

Cleveland and N.Y. Nil.

Coventry.—Royal 2, Caters 1, Major 23, Triples 2, Minor 22 (1), Doubles 2 (1). Total 54 (2).

Cumberland and North Westmorland.—Royal 1, Major 2, Triples 2, Minor 1. Total 6.

Derby Diocesan.—Royal 6, Caters 3, Major 22 (1), Triples 7, Minor 21 (1), Doubles 1. Total 62 (2).

Guild of Devonshire.—Royal 2, Caters 5, Major 18, Triples 7, Minor 11, Doubles 5. Total 48.

Dudley and District.—Major 1, Triples 2, Minor 2 (1). Total 6 (1).

Durham and Newcastle.—Maximus 1, Royal 5 (2), Major 37 (4), Minor 5 (5). Total 59 (11).

East Derby and Notts.—Minor 1. Total 1.

East Grinstead and District.—Major 1, Triples 1. Total 2.

Ely District.—Caters 1 (1), Major 20 (1), Triples 2, Minor 16, Doubles 7. Total 48 (2).

Essex Association.—Maximus 1, Cinqs 2, Caters 4, Royal 3, Major 25 (1), Triples 1, Minor 24 (2), Doubles 2. Total 65 (3).

Gloucester and Bristol.—Maximus 2, Cinqs 1, Royal 4, Caters 2, Major 42 (1), Triples 6, Minor 25 (26), Doubles 8. Total 117 (27).

Guildford Diocesan.—Caters 1, Major 8, Triples 4, Minor 5. Total 18.

Hereford Guild.—Major 5, Minor 14 (1), Doubles 15. Total 35 (1).

Hertford County.—Royal 3 (2), Caters 2, Major 31 (27), Triples 5, Minor 16 (13), Doubles 4. Total 103 (42).

Irish Association.—Caters 1, Minor 2 (1), Doubles 1. Total 5 (1).

Kent County.—Royal 4, Caters 1, Major 82, Triples 13, Minor 36 (2), Doubles 9. Total 147 (2).

Ladies' Guild. Nil.

Lancashire Association.—Maximus 9, Cinqs 4, Royal 13, Caters 8, Major 116 (2), Triples 9, Minor 46, Doubles 11. Total 218 (2).

Leicester Diocesan.—Maximus 5 (1), Cinqs 2, Royal 11 (8), Caters 2 (2), Major 43 (19), Triples 6, Minor 50 (12), Doubles 22 (13), Minimus 1. Total 197 (55).

Lincoln Diocesan.—Maximus 4, Cinqs 7, Royal 8, Caters 2, Major 37 (2), Triples 7, Minor 56 (1), Doubles 2. Total 126 (3).

Llandaff and Monmouth.—Maximus 1, Cinqs 2, Royal 4, Caters 2, Major 11 (1), Triples 8, Minor 6 (1), Doubles 11. Total 47 (2).

London County.—Royal 2, Caters 5, Major 1, Triples 2, Minor (1). Total 11 (1).

Midland Counties Guild.—Royal 1, Major 22, Triples 6, Minor 10, Doubles 2. Total 41.

Middlesex County.—Royal 6, Caters 1, Major 43 (12), Triples 1, Minor 5 (4). Total 71 (16).

National Police Guild. Nil.

North Staffs.—Caters 1, Major 5, Triples 4, Minor 2. Total 12.

North Wales.—Major 1. Total 1.

Norwich Diocesan.—Maximus 2, Royal 4, Caters 1, Major 24, Triples 5, Minor 17, Doubles 6. Total 59.

Oxford Diocesan.—Maximus 1, Cinqs 1, Royal 6, Caters 5, Major 73 (1), Triples 23, Minor 41 (3), Doubles 19, Minimus 2. Total 175 (4).

Oxford Society.—Maximus 1, Royal 1, Major 1. Total 3.

Oxford University.—Major 3. Total 3.

Peterborough Diocesan.—Major 20, Minor 35, Doubles 24. Total 79.

St. David's Diocesan.—Doubles 1. Total 1.

St. Martin's Guild.—Maximus 13, Cinqs 2, Royal 21, Caters 1, Major 50, Triples 2, Minor 1. Total 90.

Salisbury Diocesan.—Maximus 1, Royal 1, Major 11, Triples 5, Minor 10, Doubles 13. Total 41.

Scottish Association. Nil.

Sheffield and District.—Major 2. Total 2.

Shropshire Association.—Royal 3, Caters 1, Major 9, Triples 2, Minor 15, Doubles 3. Total 33.

Society of Royal Cumberland Youths.—Maximus 1, Royal 3, Major 5, Minor 2. Total 11.

Southwell Diocesan.—Maximus 2, Royal 2, Caters 3, Major 10 (2), Triples 7, Minor 19 (3), Doubles 19. Total 67 (5).

South Derby and North Leicester.—Minor 2. Total 2.

Archdeaconry of Stafford.—Maximus 1, Cinqs 2, Royal 3, Caters 3, Major 8, Triples 11, Minor 10 (1), Doubles 2. Total 41 (1).

Suffolk Guild.—Royal 4, Caters 1, Major 24, Triples 1, Minor 24, Doubles 2. Total 56.

Surrey Association.—Cinqs 1, Royal 3, Major 13, Triples 4, Minor 16 (1), Doubles 3, Minimus 1. Total 42 (1).

Sussex County.—Royal 5, Caters 1, Major 28, Triples 3, Minor 20, Doubles 6, Minimus 1. Total 64.

Swansea and Brecon.—Major 1, Triples 1, Doubles 3. Total 5.

Truro Diocesan.—Royal 3, Caters 1, Major 6, Triples 3, Minor 1 (1). Total 15 (1).

Universities Association.—Major 3, Minor 1. Total 4.

University of Bristol.—Royal 1, Caters 2, Major 1, Minor 1, Doubles 1. Total 6.

University of London.—Royal 1, Caters 1, Major 12 (3), Minor 4 (2), Doubles 2. Total 25 (5).

Winchester and Portsmouth.—Royal 4, Caters 4, Major 28 (1), Triples 3, Minor 7, Doubles 8. Total 55 (1).

Worcester and Districts.—Maximus 1, Royal 1, Caters 1, Major 25, Triples 4, Minor 10—22 in 1962 (7), Doubles 2. Total 51 (7) (2 in 1962).

Yorkshire Association.—Maximus 2, Cinqs 2 (2), Royal 13, Caters 8, Major 73 (3), Triples 5, Minor 43 (1), Doubles 11. Total 163 (6).

Other Societies and unattached.—Maximus 1, Royal 3, Caters 2, Major 30 (1), Triples 2, Minor 19 (4), Doubles 6, Minimus 2. Total 70 (5).

The final totals are the complete ones, with handbell peals in brackets.

## OBITUARY

### MR. ALBERT W. RANDALL

A century of service to the church and the belfry at Penn, Bucks, came to an end on March 6th, with the sudden death of Mr. Albert William Randall, for many years (until his death) captain of the Penn bellringers. He was in his 85th year, but appeared years younger, and only the day before his death was repairing his roof. He was a sidesman at Penn, but his service extended beyond that to more practical things. Many repairs, alterations and additions to the church had been carried out by Mr. Randall, which remain as a memorial to his long service. Only last year at the age of 84 he replaced 2,000 tiles on the church roof, and put in a new stone step to the belfry.

Mr. Randall was taught to ring by his father-in-law, Thomas Fryer, who died in 1914, aged 83 years. A tablet in the belfry recalls that he was a ringer at Penn for 67 years. Mr. Randall gave 71 years' service to the belfry. Between them they gave 117 years' continuous service to the tower, which must be almost a record for one family. At his funeral the Oxford Diocesan Guild was represented by Miss D. M. Fletcher (Beaconsfield).

On the Saturday following, a peal was attempted at the request of the Vicar, but was lost at halfway, through a missed bob. A second attempt was arranged for Saturday, April 4th, and successfully accomplished, conducted by Mr. M. Hatchett, husband of a former Penn ringer. Mrs. Randall (widow) listened to the peal from her cottage, adjoining the church.

### MR. J. T. MOSS

An outstanding personality was Mr. John Thomas Moss, of Bollington, Macclesfield, Cheshire, who died last month, aged 96 years. He had been a ringer for near 80 years and was leader of the tower for 62 years. A man of amazing vitality, he worked with Messrs. H. and L. Slater, paper manufacturers, until he was 92 years old, and when over 90 would be seen among the bells with an oil can in his hand. It was in May, 1962, when he was 95, that he ceased to walk twice every Sunday, without fail, to ring.

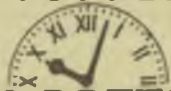
John Moss was buried near the tower he served so long. On May 22nd a peal of Cambridge Surprise Major was rung as an act of praise and thanksgiving for so great a ministry.

### Ringling For County Borough Status

The celebration of the 50th anniversary of the county borough of Southend, on April 1st, was a great day locally. The bells were rung for the 4 p.m. civic service and in the evening a peal of Plain Bob Royal was rung. There was much preliminary publicity with churchwardens, friends and photographers coming into the belfry to wish the band good luck. Mr. Frank B. Lufkin thanks the local ringers for the privilege of conducting on this special occasion at the church where he was Master for 25 years before moving away in 1959.

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## A PLYMOUTH WEDDING

The wedding took place at Plympton St. Maurice on Easter Monday of Mr. David F. Farnham and Miss Lillian Ann Crabb, and was solemnised by the Rev. Sholto-Douglas, a former Rector, who had made the journey from Winchester, and he was assisted by the Rector, the Rev. Mr. Newing.

The bridegroom is captain of Plympton St. Maurice ringers, and also a chorister and server. The bride is a ringer, the best man, Mr. Kenneth Farnham, the bridegroom's brother, is a ringer, the chief bridesmaid, Miss Janet Patterson, and one of the ushers, Mr. Peter Crabb, are also ringers.

There is a fine band of young ringers at Plympton St. Maurice, and ringers from Plympton St. Mary and Emmanuel, Plymouth, joined them in ringing on this truly ringers' wedding.

Members of the S.W. Branch of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers extend to Mr. and Mrs. David Farnham their very best wishes for their future happiness.

H. H. T.

## R.A.F. GRATITUDE

On Palm Sunday a pleasing ceremony took place in Sopley Parish Church, Hants, during morning service, in which the church bells played a small part in addition to the usual ringing before and after service.

A Royal Air Force ensign was presented to the church to mark the 'long association between Sopley R.A.F. and the ancient church of St. Michael and All Angels, Sopley.' This was an act of gratitude to the church and its Vicar, Canon C. D. Kirkham, for services rendered and still being rendered, to R.A.F. personnel, including men and women from the Commonwealth and U.S.A., who have served, and are serving at the Sopley Station, which was established in 1941.

After the opening hymn the bells were rung as the ensign bearer and his escort moved down the aisle to the chancel where the Vicar dedicated the standard and placed it upon the altar. The Chaplain-in-Chief of the Royal Air Force, the Ven. F. W. Cocks, preached the sermon at the service, which was largely attended.

At a small reception at the R.A.F. mess after the service the officers expressed their great appreciation of the ringing to the Sopley captain, Mr. J. W. Freeman.

A. D.

## ANOTHER LONDON RING?

The Queen is one of the first on a list of contributors towards the cost of restoring the bells of St Botolph-without-Aldgate, London, which have been silent for many years since some of the fittings collapsed. A faculty has been granted to a restoration scheme submitted by the Whitechapel Foundry, which will enable the bells to be rung either manually or electrically. The entire project will cost £3,700.

## MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD

Nineteen members were present at the 17th annual general meeting of the Manchester University Guild which was held on March 10th in the University Union.

In his report the retiring Master, Mr. E. F. P. Bryant, first expressed the sorrow of the Guild at the death of their former President, Mr. Derek Ogden.

He went on to say that during the year the Guild had rung six peals and had been on several enjoyable outings. While welcoming the new members he pointed out that many of the older members would be leaving at the end of this session and appealed to life members to continue their support during the following year.

The officers for next session were elected as follows: President, Mr. B. A. Tomlinson; Ringing Master, Mr. D. J. Baker, 19, St. Roman's Crescent, Woodford Green, Essex; Secretary, Miss M. Broune, 11, Denver Road, Topsham, Devon; Treasurer, Miss S. Tipler; Steeplekeeper, Mr. P. H. D. Jones; Hon. Auditor, Mr. N. Bennett.

## SOUTHAMPTON UNIVERSITY GUILD

A successful and energetic year was reviewed by the Master, Mr. Malcolm M. Powell, at the annual general meeting of the Southampton University Guild held at Chamberlain Hall on March 14th. The meeting was preceded by ringing and a service at North Stoneham Church.

Among activities the Master mentioned was the successful summer tour in seven counties, but mainly Essex and Cambridgeshire, during which 200 miles was travelled on bicycles. Another tour was that in Wiltshire and Somerset. Tower grabs had taken place in Basingstoke, Marlborough (with Reading University Guild), Sussex, and recently around Andover. Another success was the annual dinner at the Dolphin Hotel, Romsey, which was attended by representatives from Reading and Bristol Universities. Five peals and several quarters were rung and the Master hoped that the tradition of Sunday service ringing would be maintained in Southampton and district.

The secretary and treasurer, Mr. J. H. Taylor, also presented his report. The following officers were then elected: Master, Mr. M. D. Trigg; Vice-Master, Miss P. A. Drew; secretary/treasurer, Mrs. R. J. Kemp, 5, Winn Road, Southampton; committee member, Mr. J. M. Goodchild.

The forthcoming summer tour in Cornwall was discussed and it was suggested that the annual dinner be held in the Portsmouth area. Proceedings closed with the newly-elected Master thanking the retiring officers and the Rev. J. Ribworth for his co-operation by allowing the Guild the use of North Stoneham bells for their weekly practice.

## QUARTER PEALS

### HALF PEAL

**WORTLEY, YORKS.**—On March 31st, 2,520 Plain Bob Minor: 1. Johnson (first half peal) 1. Sandra Crossley 2. D. E. Archer 3. A. King 4. M. King 5. M. R. Meadows (cond.) 6.

**ALTON, HANTS.**—On April 4th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss L. Read 1. E. Hedger 2. B. Walton 3. K. Tipper 4. A. Elsmore 5. B. Hughes 6. J. Queen 7. R. Corke (cond.) 8. First of Major 1. 2 and 4.

**CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.**—On March 29th, 1,260 Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles: G. G. Clark 1. M. J. Bura 2. J. F. Payne 3. M. D. Fuller 4. J. H. Payton (cond.) 5. T. J. Wellen 6.

**COTTINGHAM, YORKS.**—On March 29th, 1,296 Little Bob Major: Mrs. Jennifer M. Pybus 1. Barbara Cammack 2. Dinah Blow 3. D. P. B. Miles 4. G. W. Pybus 5. P. Scrowton 6. J. I. Booth 7. C. C. Brown (cond.) 8. A farewell tribute to the Rector, Canon Mark Green, who left this day for Bishopthorpe, York.

**DEVIZES, WILTS.**—On Easter Day, at St. John's Church, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. J. Romain 1. W. Mortimer 2. W. Bevan 3. J. S. Weeks 4. S. Grant (cond.) 5. W. Davison 6. J. Romain 7. H. Sturges 8. For Evensong.

**EASTCHURCH, KENT.**—On April 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: P. M. Wilkinson (cond.) 1. Joan Hayward 2. Judith White 3. J. Mason 4. H. Hayward 5. H. Gardner 6. For the visit of Judith White.

**EASTON NESTON, NORTHANTS.**—On April 5th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: G. G. Mansfield 1. C. W. Rigby 2. H. A. Cashmore 3. P. Summers (first on 8 bells) 4. F. P. Brangwyn 5. J. Snelling 6. A. W. Mansfield 7. W. F. Eyden (cond.) 8. For Evensong. A 21st birthday compliment to J. Snelling.

**ECCELESTON, LANCs.**—On March 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Nelson (cond.) 1. G. J. Mee 2. D. A. Borland 3. D. L. Briers 4. B. Lee 5. W. H. Hunter 6.

**EILSTOW, BEDS.**—On March 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss S. Y. Fowkes (first quarter) 1. G. Seth 2. Miss M. F. Pettitt 3. R. F. Law 4. R. H. French 5. M. J. Marriott (cond.) 6. For Palm Sunday Evensong. Also on March 27th, 1,440 Treble Bob (720 Woodbine, 720 Oxford): G. Seth 1. Miss M. F. Pettitt 2. S. R. Huckle 3. M. J. Marriott 4. R. H. French 5. R. F. Law (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled for Good Friday matins. Also on Easter Day, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: G. Seth 1. Miss M. F. Pettitt 2. Miss M. J. Clarke 3. S. R. Huckle 4. R. H. French 5. M. J. Marriott (cond.) 6. First of Cambridge by a local band. For Matins. Also on March 31st, 720 Plain Bob and 540 Single Oxford Bob Minor: Miss S. Y. Fowkes 1. G. Seth 2. Miss M. F. Pettitt 3. Miss M. J. Clarke 4. R. H. French 5. R. F. Law (cond.) 6. A wedding compliment to Miss W. Gascoin Smith.

**ENFIELD, MIDDx.**—On March 21st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss L. Fletcher 1. J. Duggan 2. M. Gibbey 3. Miss M. Twigg 4. H. Howson 5. D. Reeves 6. R. Wood 7. J. Duggan (cond.) 8.

**FARINGDON, BERKS.**—On March 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (4, 6, 8 covering): C. Timms 1. Diana Wareham 2. C. R. Miles 3. F. C. Carter 4. C. Graves 5. J. Moore 6. C. J. Pearce (cond.) 7. J. Strawford 8. A compliment to Mr. F. H. Whipp, on the marriage of his elder daughter, Ann.

**GODSHILL, I.O.W.**—On Easter Day, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Goldman 1. Mrs. E. Wyatt 2. Mrs. G. Goldman 3. I. Bailey 4. C. Callaway 5. A. Harman (cond.) 6. For morning service. Also on April 4th, 1,270 Doubles (Plain Bob, Grandsire): S. Moody 1. Mrs. E. Wyatt 2. C. Callaway 3. A. Harman 4. I. Bailey (cond.) 5. R. Lale 6. A birthday compliment to Mrs. E. Wyatt, and for 38th wedding anniversary of C. Callaway.

**GALLEYWOOD, ESSEX.**—On March 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. G. Bartholomew 1. Dr. R. Woodcock 2. J. West 3. P. W. Saltmarsh 4. E. W. Roast 5. W. J. Barrett 6. P. J. Eves (cond.) 7. J. E. C. Harris 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of George H. Cornell, a ringer for over 40 years and life member of the Essex Association, who was interred this day.

On Easter Day the bells of Weekley Church, near Kettering, were rung for Matins by a band composed entirely of choristers of the church. It is many years since such a band rang these bells and thanks are especially due to Mr. G. W. Clarke, the Ringing Master and steeplekeeper.



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# **QUARTER PEALS**

**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—On April 5th, 1,368 Primrose Surprise Minor: A. M. Macve 1, Carol Cousin 2, E. G. H. Godfrey 3, Margaret C. Godfrey 4, P. J. Milton 5, C. H. Macve (cond.) 6. First in method by all the band.

**ASTON, BIRMINGHAM.**—On March 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (the middle six): Miss P. Foster (first quarter) 1, R. C. Ingram 2, A. Burbidge 3, M. J. Ingram 4, D. R. Ingram 5, E. J. Franklin (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also as a compliment to D. T. Finnemore and Miss D. Thacker, who were married at this church the previous day.

**BARRINGTON, SOMERSET.**—On March 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. H. Cook 1, J. T. Locke 2, J. Cornelius (cond.) 3, A. C. Drayton 4, R. Dean 5, T. Hill 6. Rung after the wedding of Mr. B. Fry and Miss M. Rowsell.

**BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICS.**—On April 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. S. Smith (first quarter) 1, B. S. Payne 2, R. I. Kendrick 3, M. G. Godwin 4, J. R. Perkins (cond.) 5, M. D. Barsby 6. A farewell to the treble ringer who is leaving for Shepshed.

**BEXLEY, KENT.**—On April 5th, 1,259 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): D. Wimbhurst 1, K. Medhurst 2, Miss B. M. Foster 3, Miss M. R. Andrews 4, N. J. Davies (cond.) 5, D. A. Connolly 6. For Evensong.

**BISHOP'S CLEEVE, GLOS.**—On Feb. 29th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: C. Haylings 1, I. Goulter 2, F. Lawrence 3, L. Dovey 4, D. Price 5, M. Hawkes (cond.) 6, F. Hawkes 7, A. Halling 8.

**BLEWBURY, BERKS.**—On April 4th, 1,272 Grandsire Triples: M. Corderoy 1, H. W. Dunsden 2, A. R. T. Greenough 3, H. Wells 4, C. Cordcroy 5, E. G. Garrard 6, R. B. Blond (cond.) 7, E. J. Grace 8. For the wedding of Miss Audrey Gardner and Mr. Anthony Cheswick.

**BLOXHAM, OXON.**—On April 2nd, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor (treble leading and tenor covering): J. C. Huntriss (first quarter) 1, J. Peglar 2, E. A. Wyatt (first of Minor) 3, J. W. Barber 4, R. C. Huntriss (first of Minor) 5, J. S. Rank 6, C. C. Clarke (cond.) 7, E. S. Hitchcox 8. With the best wishes of the band for the wedding of Betty F. Hitchcox and Albert H. Turner.

**BOLSOVER, DERBYS.**—On March 31st, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Diane Slaney (first in method) 1, Jacqueline Stewart (first in method) 2, Diane Turner (first in method) 3, J. Saxton 4, D. Cooper 5, M. Cooper 6, H. Wagstaff 7, A. Keller (cond.) 8.

**CHELSEFIELD, KENT.**—On Easter Sunday, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Hilary Martin 1, Jennifer Payne (first of Surprise 'inside') 2, Jillian Outhwaite 3, D. C. Manger 4, D. L. Parker 5, N. J. Martin (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.**—On March 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles: T. J. Wellen 1, G. G. Clark 2, M. J. Bura 3, J. H. Payton 4, M. D. Fuller 5, J. F. Payne (cond.) 6, L. G. Connor 7. Treble ringing 'rounds.' Also on March 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. G. Clark 1, M. J. Bura 2, B. G. D. Vince 3, M. D. Fuller 4, J. F. Payne (cond.) 5, T. J. Wellen 6.

**CHURCH LAWFORD, WARWICKS.**—On March 22nd, 1,440 Plain Minor (four methods): Margaret Pratt 1, Pamela J. Wright 2, D. Lloyd 3, G. Pratt 4, S. Darvill 5, A. R. Wright (cond.) 6. For Matins, and for the christening of Elaine Joy, daughter of R. D. Hart.

**CLAYBROOKE, LEICS.**—On March 31st, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: G. F. Roome 1, R. A. Vickers 2, Margaret A. Wilson 3, G. C. Paul 4, J. Linnell 5, R. W. Smith 6, C. E. Truman (cond.) 7, A. A. Paul 8. First in method 6 and 8.

**CLEATOR MOOR, CUMB.**—On Easter Day, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (on middle six): J. Robinson 1, H. N. Tembey 2, Mrs. E. Haile 3, Miss V. C. Bell 4, G. Tembey 5, J. A. Haile 6, H. Wilson (cond.) 7, H. Borrowdale (covering) 8. For Evensong.

**CREWE, CHESHIRE.**—On March 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: H. G. Flynn 1, J. S. Baker 2, F. R. Morton (cond.) 3, G. Parsons (first quarter) 4, I. R. Nichols 5, Bertha Sherry 6.

**EWELL, SURREY.**—On Easter Day, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: H. E. Good 1, Mrs. C. W. Munday 2, Miss G. Anderson 3, P. J. Munday 4, R. C. Spittle 5, A. S. Besant 6, S. J. Philbrick 7, C. W. Munday (cond.) 8.

**HALIFAX, YORKS.**—At the Church of All Souls', on Palm Sunday, 1,312 Spliced Surprise Major (six methods): Anne E. Parkin 1, Sheila M. Moulds 2, M. V. Copping 3, R. E. Moulds 4, J. F. Bryant 5, J. N. Parkin 6, G. F. Bryant 7, J. H. Fielden (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**GOSFIELD, ESSEX.**—On March 11th, 1,296 Surprise Minor (London, Cambridge): T. Bird 1, A. Syder 2, Miss J. Dye (first 720 of London) 3, P. Wood 4, R. Lindsell 5, Miss H. G. Snowden (cond.) 6. First quarter peal on the bells. Rung in honour of the birth of the Queen's third son.

**GOSFORTH, NORTHUMB.**—On March 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Jennifer Martin (first quarter) 1, Joan Walker 2, A. G. Craddock (cond.) 3, M. Lincoln 4, J. A. Sturrock 5, J. Bell 6. A compliment to Jennifer Martin and R. W. Lee on their engagement.

**GRAFTON REGIS, NORTHANTS.**—On March 29th, 1,309 Grandsire Doubles: F. E. Hall 1, Toni M. Rogers 2, Janet I. Porter 3, C. J. Hall 4, R. H. Rogers (cond.) 5. For Easter Day Evensong. Also an 85th birthday compliment to Mrs. W. H. Allen.

**GREAT CHEVERELL, WILTS.**—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Sturges 1, D. Powney 2, Pamela Osborne (first as cond.) 3, B. Osborne 4, C. Hillier 5, R. Whiting 6. A wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. D. Foot. Also a get well wish to Mr. Derrick Bailey, and for the 3rd wedding anniversary of ringers of 3 and 4.

**HARLESTONE, NORTHANTS.**—On March 29th, 1,440 London Surprise Minor: Miss J. A. Downing 1, G. C. Paul 2, D. E. Towers 3, G. F. Roome 4, R. W. Smith 5, A. A. Paul (cond.) 6. First in method for all.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On Easter Day, 1,320 Doubles (three methods): D. Barker 1, M. W. Harrison 2, J. Dowse 3, R. Blackshaw (cond.) 4, J. A. Heaps 5. For Evensong. Also on April 5th, 1,320 Doubles (four methods): D. Barker 1, R. Blackshaw 2, J. Dowse 3, M. W. Harrison 4, G. A. Dawson (cond.) 5. For Evensong.

**ISLIP, NORTHANTS.**—On March 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. M. Fleckney 1, R. H. Jones 2, Wendy Hollowell 3, Shelagh R. Collins 4, L. R. C. Witten 5, R. H. Daw (cond.) 6. After an unsuccessful peal attempt.

**RIPPLE, WORCS.**—On March 20th, 1,260 Seighford Bob Doubles: Joan Gaine 1, M. Hawkes (cond.) 2, C. Haylings 3, A. Halling 4, B. Spiers 5, J. Mead 6. First in this variation by all the band.

**SAXILBY, Lincs.**—On Easter Sunday, 1,260 Minor (Cambridge, Kent Single Oxford): Kathleen Yardley 1, Shirley Guymer 2, Pamela Cox 3, M. L. Mann 4, J. M. Blaikie 5, J. B. Nicholson (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

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The Rt. Rev. Gordon  
Savage, who has been trans-  
lated from Buckingham to  
Southwell, preached his farewell sermon in the  
county of Buckinghamshire at Slough Parish  
Church on April 5th. Before the service  
Slough ringers rang a quarter of Oxford  
Treble Bob Major and afterwards, with the  
help of three visitors, a quarter of Southwell  
Surprise Royal. The Bishop was president of  
the East Berks and South Bucks Branch of  
the Oxford Diocesan Guild and was held in  
great esteem by all who knew him.

Miss Frances Procter, of Amersham, re-  
cently visited America and was able to ring at  
Washington Cathedral.

There should have been a heading '50  
Years Ago' above the report of the restora-  
tion and dedication of York Minster bells that  
appeared on page 221. This omission is re-  
gretted.

After the peal at Farnworth and Kearsley  
Parish Church, Lancashire, members of the  
Masonic fraternity were entertained by Bro.  
Peter Crook (sen.) in the traditional style.

By ringing the tenor to the peal of Stedman  
Cinques at Newport, Mon, Dr. Tudor Ed-  
wards has now 'circled' this tower. With one  
exception all have been 12-bell peals and he  
joins the conductor, Mr. Donald G. Clift, as  
the first ringer to complete the circle here.

By calling Carter's Odd-Bob One-Part peal  
of Stedman Triples at Stoke Poges on March  
18th at the age of 18 years 11 months, Hadley  
Hunter, of Cambridge University, is believed  
to be the youngest person to have called this  
composition. Can anybody challenge this?

Dr. Geoffrey Smerdon recently gave an  
address to the Liskeard/Looe Rotary Club on  
'Bellringing' using a demonstration bell. Un-  
fortunately, writes our correspondent, he did  
not carry on with ringing after his student  
days.

Miss Anita Hewson, of Bramcote, Notting-  
ham, has received an appreciative acknowl-  
edgment from Mrs. Kennedy for 'The Ringing  
World' she sent giving details of the ringing  
in memory of the late President. The message  
states: 'Deeply appreciative of your sym-  
pathy and grateful for your thoughtfulness.'

## BELFRY GOSSIP

At the meeting of the Mid-  
Devon Branch at Teignmouth  
on April 5th it was an-  
nounced that Mr. E. M. Atkins was retiring  
from the general secretaryship of the Guild of  
Devonshire Ringers. Mr. D. J. Roberts, of  
Torquay, has been nominated for the position.

Mr. Cyril S. Jarrett on April 3rd 'circled'  
Frindsbury tower, Kent, for the fourth time.

The peal of London Surprise Royal rung at  
St. Peter's, Brighton, on April 4th was  
Mr. W. Arthur Riddington's 300th peal.

The quarter peal rung at Southminster on  
March 4th (page 229) was for the 21st birth-  
day of Mrs. E. (Liz) Sandwell.

So as to allow more time for ringing,  
two District annual meetings of the Irish As-  
sociation decided to leave all business to the  
committee, augmented by one other member  
from each tower.

Hard luck for 12-year-old Michael Roberts,  
of Shephed, Leicestershire. A peal attempt,  
his first as conductor, broke down just before  
half-way on April 2nd at Groby! Also ringing  
was his friend, 12-year-old Stephen Hall.

The Irish Association has now 663 members  
of whom 364 are non-resident life members.  
Ten years ago, states the 'Irish Bell News,'  
the total membership was 479 with 366 resident  
members. The doubling of the non-resident  
members is attributed to the 1958 Central  
Council meeting in Dublin.

The band which rang a peal at East Dere-  
ham on April 1st were very sorry indeed that  
Mr. Nolan Golden had to withdraw at the  
last minute through ill-health and send him  
their fraternal greetings and best wishes for a  
complete recovery. To show that they were  
thinking of him they rang one of his com-  
positions.

We are informed that the verses headed 'An  
Ulster Fantasy' (page 223) were written by Mr.  
John Blackwood and read by him at a fare-  
well party given for him by his Boyne Hill  
colleagues when he left Maidenhead to take  
up an appointment at Wareham, Dorset, last  
October. We apologise to Mr. Blackwood  
and also to Miss Hortin for associating her  
name with the verses.

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WORSLEY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mark.

### **A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 23½ cwt.

ROBERT WARRILOW .. .. Treble	JOHN WORTH .. .. 6
FRANK OSBALDISTON .. .. 2	BASIL JONES .. .. 7
EDWARD JENKINS .. .. 3	PETER WHITEHEAD .. .. 8
HAROLD LONYON .. .. 4	HEDLEY A. WOOD .. .. 9
C. KENNETH LEWIS .. .. 5	ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. PYE.

Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

COLERNE, WILTSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., March 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,

At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist,

### **A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 18½ cwt.

ANDREW HOWARD .. .. Treble	F. CECIL MOGFORD .. .. 5
JACQUELINE A. HOBBS .. .. 2	MALCOLM M. POWELL .. .. 6
JOHN H. TAYLOR .. .. 3	PETER BRIDLE .. .. 7
ALAN TUBB .. .. 4	D. JOHN HUNT .. .. Tenor

Composed by F. C. W. KNIGHT.

Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

## **OTHER PEALS**

### **TWELVE BELL PEALS**

NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of St. Woolos.

### **A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES**

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in D.

DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. Treble	*NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON .. 7
GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. 2	CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. 8
JACQUELINE S. KING .. 3	GEOFFREY R. DREW .. 9
ROGER G. HAVARD .. 4	D. JOHN HUNT .. 10
DONALD G. CLIFT .. 5	DAVID J. KING .. 11
SHIRLEY M. DREW .. 6	TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by DONALD G. CLIFT.

\* First peal of Stedman Cinques.

BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Tues., March 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Martin.

### **A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS**

Tenor 36 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb. in C.

*JENNIFER M. COOK .. Treble	DAVID J. ALLEN .. 7
SUSAN FUNNELL .. 2	GEORGE E. THODAY .. 8
BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 3	A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. 9
ANN E. FELLOWS .. 4	LESLIE BOUMPHREY .. 10
*DAVID R. INGRAM .. 5	DAVID J. PURNELL .. 11
MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. 6	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. Tenor

Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

\* First peal on 12 bells.

BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thurs., April 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.

### **A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS**

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

MURIEL REAY .. Treble	J. KEITH WARD .. 7
GEORGE E. FEARN .. 2	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. 8
SUSAN FUNNELL .. 3	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. 9
FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. 4	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 10
MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. 5	JOHN A. ANDERSON .. 11
RODERICK W. PIPE .. 6	PETER BORDER .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

LINCOLN.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes,

In St. Hugh's Tower at the Cathedral Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

### **A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES**

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

*SHIRLEY HARRIS .. Treble	H. LESLIE PASK .. 7
NORAH M. RANGLES .. 2	WALTER TOMLINSON .. 8
CLAIRE DILLAMORE .. 3	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. 9
JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. 4	PETER A. SHARP .. 10
JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. 5	JOHN WALDEN .. 11
GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. 6	GEOFFREY PAUL .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN E. CHILCOTT.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

\* First peal on 12 bells.

## **TEN BELL PEALS**

STRADBROKE, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sun., March 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints.

### **A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in E flat.

WILLIAM A. THEOBOLD .. Treble	ALAN F. THIRST .. 6
CECIL W. PIPE .. 2	JOHN S. MASON .. 7
RODERICK W. PIPE .. 3	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 8
B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. 4	GEORGE W. PIPE .. 9
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 5	WILFRED WILLIAMS .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

SHEFFIELD, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 50 Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of St. Peter.

### **A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL**

No. 3 version.

Tenor 40 cwt.

NEIL DONOVAN .. Treble	NORMAN CHADDOCK .. 6
VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. 2	*STUART ARMESON .. 7
W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. 3	JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK .. 8
JEANNE E. BOTTOMLEY .. 4	J. HENRY FIELDEN .. 9
GORDON BENFIELD .. 5	RICHARD E. PRICE .. Tenor

Composed by C. K. LEWIS.

Conducted by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

\* First peal in the method.

A compliment to the ringers of the second and fourth on the occasion of their fifth wedding anniversary.

PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., April 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

### **A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

Tenor 18½ cwt.

*JOSIE P. SADLER .. Treble	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. 6
ALFRED J. HOUSE .. 2	BERNARD C. SADLER .. 7
JANET ROWE .. 3	JACK BELCHAM .. 8
*ALLEN W. CANSDALE .. 4	PHILIP SADLER .. 9
PETER SLOMAN .. 5	MICHAEL J. HALLETT .. Tenor

Composed by ERNEST MORRIS.

Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

\* First peal on ten. The ringer of second has now 'circled the tower.'

Rung on and to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the County Borough of Southend-on-Sea.

BRADFORD, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.

### **A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 25½ cwt. in D.

*WILLIAM A. KIRKBY .. Treble	†PETER A. KIRKBY .. 6
MRS. H. B. SCHOFIELD .. 2	HAROLD B. SCHOFIELD .. 7
JEANNE E. BOTTOMLEY .. 3	PETER SCHOFIELD .. 8
RODERICK W. PIPE .. 4	FREDERICK A. MUNDAY .. 9
B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. 5	VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. Tenor

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

\* First peal of Royal. † First of Yorkshire Royal.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter.

### **A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL**

No. 3 version.

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. in D.

ALBERT W. BOND .. Treble	*CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 6
*CYRIL S. JARRETT .. 2	*W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON .. 7
*JOHN FAIRCLOTH .. 3	*ANDREW M. MACVE .. 8
BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 4	*MARTIN L. HOWE .. 9
*DAVID S. OSENTON .. 5	TREVOR A. CROSS .. Tenor

Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.

\* First peal of Royal in the method. First of Royal in the method as conductor.

Rung to celebrate 50th anniversary of the augmentation of the bells.

PORTSMOUTH, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of St. Thomas-of-Canterbury,

### **A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 25½ cwt. in E flat.

WILLIAM A. THEOBOLD .. Treble	NOEL J. DISERENS .. 6
RONALD F. DISERENS .. 2	DAVID T. DARBY .. 7
ALAN F. THIRST .. 3	RALPH G. EDWARDS .. 8
F. JOHN NELSON .. 4	CHARLES H. KIPPIN .. 9
ANDREW N. STUBBS .. 5	WILFRED WILLIAMS .. Tenor

Composed by C. K. LEWIS.

Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

First peal of London Surprise Royal on the bells.



## EIGHT BELL PEALS

BIGGLESWADE, BEDFORDSHIRE.

\* THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

A PEAL OF 5120 EALING SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb. in F.

J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. Treble	*PETER J. COLES .. .. . 5
*ALAN S. SMITH .. .. . 2	COLIN A. S. HARWOOD .. .. 6
*SHEILA I. SMITH .. .. . 3	*MARTIN MAJOR .. .. . 7
*ERIC EDMONDSON .. .. . 4	JACK S. DEAR .. .. . Tenor

Composed by RICHARD F. B. SPEED.

Conducted by J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE.

\* First peal in the method.

BARNES, SURREY.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb.

*GILLIAN SIMS .. .. Treble	JEREMY A. M. SALTER .. .. 5
DAVID A. H. BENNETT .. .. 2	ROBERT HARRIS .. .. . 6
JEAN L. LAVENDER .. .. . 3	LAURENCE SMITH .. .. . 7
*LOUISE GALLINI .. .. . 4	DAVID T. DARBY .. .. . Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by DAVID T. DARBY.

\* First peal. First of Surprise as conductor.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.

On Mon., March 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes.

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

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

REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. Treble	RAYMOND BENFIELD .. .. 5
JOHN C. SHONFELD .. .. . 2	*MARY C. KNIGHT .. .. . 6
MICHAEL POPPLESTON .. .. 3	RICHARD C. L. BROWN .. .. 7
JOHN G. HALLETT .. .. . 4	G. RONALD EDWARDS .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by RAYMOND BENFIELD.

\* First peal 'inside.'

Birthday compliment to Brian G. Warwick: wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Pilkington.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., March 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS.

A PEAL OF 5184 KINGSLERE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 44 lb. in G.

CAROLYN VIBERT .. .. Treble	DAVID E. HOUSE .. .. . 5
MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. .. . 2	TOM CHAPMAN .. .. . 6
DEREK C. JACKSON .. .. . 3	MAURICE J. BUTLER .. .. . 7
THOMAS H. FRANCIS .. .. . 4	R. ROGER SAVORY .. .. . Tenor

Composed by S. J. IVIN.

Conducted by R. ROGER SAVORY.

First peal in the method (H. &amp; M. No. 4,249).

BOLLINGTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., March 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt.

DEREK YATES .. .. Treble	ALAN MCFALL .. .. . 5
EDWARD F. POTTS .. .. . 2	BASIL JONES .. .. . 6
JOHN WORTH .. .. . 3	ALAN A. POTTS .. .. . 7
EDMUND SHUTTLEWORTH .. .. 4	ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. . Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

Rung fully-muffled in memoriam John Moss (96), who for over 70 years was a ringer at this tower and leader for 62 years.

HANBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Easter Sunday, March 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

A PEAL OF 5184 WORCESTERSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb. in F sharp.

IAN LLOYD .. .. Treble	ARTHUR C. BERRY .. .. . 5
MICHAEL G. SELBY .. .. . 2	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. .. 6
JOHN C. EISEL .. .. . 3	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. 7
GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. .. 4	GERALD C. HEMMING .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by GERALD C. HEMMING.

First peal in the method (H. and M. Collection, No. 2,883), and rung without previous practice.

KINGSLERE SURPRISE MAJOR

(H. &amp; M. No. 4,249)

x 34 x 1458 x 12 x 36 x 12 x 38 x 16 x 38

L.E. 14263857. 4th place Bob.

WORCESTERSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

x 58 x 16 x 12 x 36 x 14 x 1458 x 36 x 58

2nd place L.E. 15738264.

FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST.

A PEAL OF 5024 WYE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

CHRISTOPHER A. LOMAX .. Treble	BRIAN TOMLINSON .. .. . 5
DAVID VINCENT .. .. . 2	ALBERT GREENHALGH .. .. 6
JAMES CUNLIFFE .. .. . 3	GEOFFREY FOTHERGILL .. .. 7
THOMAS W. SMITH .. .. . 4	JOHN ASHCROFT .. .. . Tenor

Composed by NORMAN SMITH.

Conducted by JOHN ASHCROFT.

First peal in the method for all.

Rung in honour of the Festival of Easter.

GREAT MARLOW, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

J. J. Parker's Six-Part.		
*ROY WOODRUFF .. .. Treble	RICHARD E. DEAN .. .. . 5	
*JILL COOK .. .. . 2	*E. DENNIS POOLE .. .. . 6	
PAUL R. DEAN .. .. . 3	†L. JOSEPH YOUNG .. .. . 7	
JOHN YOUNG .. .. . 4	ARTHUR BOARDER .. .. . Tenor	

Conducted by RICHARD E. DEAN.

\* First peal in the method. † First 'inside.' First in the method on the bells.

Rung for the Easter Festival: also a birthday compliment this day to the Vicar, the Rev. J. C. Vaughan Wilkes.

HIGHWORTH, WILTSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 lb. in E.

WILLIAM E. GEARING .. Treble	†RICHARD HEDGES .. .. . 5
JOHN H. TAYLOR .. .. . 2	HUGH N. EVANS .. .. . 6
*GILLIAN S. M. WALSH .. .. 3	MALCOLM M. POWELL .. .. 7
ROLAND T. WAKEFIELD .. .. 4	GORDON W. LAND .. .. . Tenor

Composed by TOM CHAPMAN.

Conducted by GORDON W. LAND.

\* First peal of Major. † First of Plain Bob Major.

MARKET HARBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DIONYSIUS.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. in E.

MALCOLM E. WADE .. Treble	DAVID G. WILFORD .. .. . 5
*R. JOY WATKIN .. .. . 2	A. MAXWELL LINDSEY .. .. 6
WILLIAM A. LACEY .. .. . 3	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. .. 7
ROLAND H. COOK .. .. . 4	ALAN E. HARTLEY .. .. . Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN.

Conducted by WILLIAM A. LACEY.

\* First peal of Major 'inside.'

TUNSTALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Easter Monday, March 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

AT CHRIST CHURCH.

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Tenor 12 cwt. 24 lb.

Heywood's variation.		
G. ARNOLD MOORE .. Treble	†DAVID J. MIDGLEY .. .. . 5	
GEOFFREY C. BEECH .. .. . 2	*LESLIE WALLEY .. .. . 6	
E. MARION KEY .. .. . 3	BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. . 7	
*KENNETH BALLARD .. .. . 4	WILLIAM WATKIN .. .. . Tenor	

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples. † First of Triples.

WOODBIDGE, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 25 cwt. 26 lb. in D.

WILLIAM A. THEOBALD .. Treble	RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. . 5
B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. .. 2	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. .. 6
REV. GILES C. GALLEY .. .. 3	JOHN S. MASON .. .. . 7
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. .. 4	WILFRED WILLIAMS .. .. . Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY.

GAINSBOROUGH, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., March 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lb. in E flat.

PETER H. LANGTON .. Treble	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. .. . 5
NORAH M. RANGLES .. .. . 2	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. . 6
JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. .. . 3	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. 7
HUGH NEILL .. .. . 4	J. HENRY FIELDEN .. .. . Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by J. HENRY FIELDEN.

A wedding compliment to A. Robin Heppenstall and Delia E. Smith, both of the local company, whose wedding preceded this peal.



ROTHERHAM, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(Sheffield and District Society.)

On Tues., March 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 36 Minutes.

At the Church of All Saints.

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Middleton's.	Tenor 34½ cwt. in C sharp.
ALEC HOLROYD .. .. Treble	RALPH BEAUMONT .. .. 5
ELSIE CHADDOCK .. .. 2	STUART ARMESON .. .. 6
NEIL DONOVAN .. .. 3	NORMAN CHADDOCK .. .. 7
DAVID NICHOLS .. .. 4	JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK.

First peal in the method as conductor.

Rung for the Festival of Easter by the Sunday service band.

SPROTBOROUGH, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., March 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary.

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 8½ cwt.

JAMES THORLEY .. .. Treble	JEANNE E. BOTTOMLEY .. .. 5
JOHN J. L. GILBERT .. .. 2	HOWARD SCOTT .. .. 6
W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. .. 3	R. GORDON CORBY .. .. 7
VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. .. 4	WILFRID F. MORFON .. .. Tenor

Composed by R. BALDWIN.

Conducted by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

First peal of Surprise on the bells.

CHOLSEY, BERKSHIRE.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., April 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.

*GERALD W. PARTRIDGE .. Treble	*ROGER M. HEYWORTH .. .. 5
†P. GERALD McILHON .. .. 2	†ROBERT A. PARTRIDGE .. .. 6
†GERALD G. TINSON .. .. 3	†CHARLES J. ADAM .. .. 7
†STEPHEN FRANKLIN .. .. 4	*EDWARD ALDRIDGE .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. TAYLOR.

Conducted by ROBERT PARTRIDGE.

\* First peal. † First of Grandsire.

Rung by members of Wallingford Grammar School.

EAST DEREHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., April 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Nicholas.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

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

TIMOTHY G. PETT .. .. Treble	BERT GOGLE .. .. 5
ARTHUR G. BASON .. .. 2	GILES R. SHEDDEN .. .. 6
ELIZABETH T. BIRMINGHAM .. 3	WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. .. 7
GEORGE P. ADAMS .. .. 4	H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. .. Tenor

Composed by NOLAN GOLDEN.

Conducted by WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM.

HEENE, WORTHING, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., April 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Botolph.

**A PEAL OF 5056 HEENE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 10½ cwt.

RAYMOND P. WOOD .. .. Treble	HENRY C. WEAVER .. .. 5
PATRICIA DISERENS .. .. 2	LEONARD STILLWELL .. .. 6
J. RICHARD WILSON .. .. 3	BRIAN J. LUFF .. .. 7
ROBERT WAKE .. .. 4	RONALD F. DISERENS .. .. Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX.

Conducted by RONALD F. DISERENS.

First peal in the method (H. and M. Collection, No. 1,279).

HINDLEY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., April 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Peter.

**A PEAL OF 5088 PUTNEY SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

MARGARET E. FORI .. .. Treble	JOHN P. PARTINGTON .. .. 5
ALISON M. MANN .. .. 2	RICHARD J. PARKER .. .. 6
RICHARD S. STARKIE .. .. 3	GEOFFREY FOTHERGILL .. .. 7
JEFFREY KERSHAW .. .. 4	*JOHN ASHCROFT .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by JOHN ASHCROFT.

\* 200th peal. First in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

A compliment to Mr. John Halsall, local captain and 60 years a ringer.

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ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., April 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in G.

NORMAN SMITH .. .. Treble	PHILIP J. CROSTHWAITE .. .. 5
MARYL R. CROSTHWAITE .. .. 2	JEFFREY KERSHAW .. .. 6
RICHARD J. PARKER .. .. 3	JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. 7
RICHARD S. STARKIE .. .. 4	*J. BARRY PICKUP .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by RICHARD J. PARKER.

\* 50th peal on the bells. First of Major as conductor.

BROUGHTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Thurs., April 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Peter.

**A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES**

Parker's Six-Part (No. 13).

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb.

E. MARION KEY .. .. Treble	BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. 5
PETER MORRIS .. .. 2	RICHARD E. MORRIS .. .. 6
ALBERT H. LAWTON .. .. 3	HOWARD HOWELL .. .. 7
*REMI M. HODISTER .. .. 4	JOHN W. DYKE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

\* First peal in the method.

FRINDSBURY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., April 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

At the Church of All Saints.

**A PEAL OF 5056 IPSWICH SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

THOMAS E. SONE .. .. Treble	JOHN W. COLEMAN .. .. 5
MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 2	TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. 6
ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. .. 7
CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 4	CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. H. WOOD.

Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.

First peal in the method by all the band except the treble ringer. The tenor ringer has now 'circled the tower' for the fourth time.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Fri., April 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Margaret.

**A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15½ cwt.

ROBERT E. LESTER .. .. Treble	NEVILLE F. WHITTELL .. .. 5
ANDREW T. BECKWITH .. .. 2	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 6
*ALFRED E. HONEYWOOD .. .. 3	PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. 7
ALICE E. J. LESTER .. .. 4	HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY.

Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

\* First peal of Surprise Major.

Rung to celebrate the birth of a son (Simon Leon) to Mr. and Mrs. John L. Girt.

LAWTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., April 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

At the Church of All Saints.

**A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 8½ cwt.

NORMAN SHERRATT .. .. Treble	*RICHARD WHARTON .. .. 5
*FRANK R. MORTON .. .. 2	BARRY CORBISHLEY .. .. 6
DENNIS LATHAM .. .. 3	ROY WORRALL .. .. 7
WALTER SHERRATT .. .. 4	†IVOR R. NICHOLS .. .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY.

Conducted by IVOR R. NICHOLS.

\* First peal of Surprise 'inside.' † First peal. ‡ 100th peal.

ANSTEY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary.

**A PEAL OF 5152 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Middleton's.

Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.

A. MAXWELL HINDSEY .. Treble	DAVID G. WILFORD .. .. 5
ALAN E. HARTLEY .. .. 2	A. JAMES POYNOR .. .. 6
WILLIAM A. LACEY .. .. 3	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. 7
MARTIN C. FAULKES .. .. 4	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM A. LACEY.

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## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

SWYNNERTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jun. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,  
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Consisting of six extents Stedman, 16 Plain Bob, 18 Grandsire.

Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb.

*PATRICIA MILLS .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY C. BEECH .. .. 4
*MANDY McALLION .. .. 2	DAVID J. MIDGLEY .. .. 5
G. ARNOLD MOORE .. .. 3	WILLIAM WATKIN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by G. ARNOLD MOORE.

\* First peal.

Rung for the engagement of Donald Watkin to Valerie Mitchel.

SWANBOURNE, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHIN,  
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

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

Tenor 14 cwt.

SUSAN WHITE .. .. Treble	*LEONARD J. NORTH .. .. 4
*LORNA E. SIMPSON .. .. 2	BERNARD E. MATTHEWS .. .. 5
*CLIVE W. SIMPSON .. .. 3	†BRYAN C. BURROUGH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BRYAN C. BURROUGH.

\* First peal in seven methods. First as conductor.

ECCLESTON (CHORLEY), LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., March 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,  
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different callings. Tenor 12 cwt.

BARBARA YAPP .. .. Treble	*DAVID BORLAND .. .. 4
WALTER H. HUNTER .. .. 2	WILLIAM O. FARRIMOND .. .. 5
LESTER BRIERS .. .. 3	JOHN ASHCROFT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN ASHCROFT.

\* First peal.

Rung in memoriam Sydney Clough, formerly of St. James', Poolstock, Wigan.

ASTBURY, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,  
A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

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

Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

*CHRISTINE BIRKS .. .. Treble	WALTER SHERRATT .. .. 4
NORMAN SHERRATT .. .. 2	CHARLES A. S. WEBB .. .. 5
†HAROLD DOWLER .. .. 3	ROY WORRALL .. .. Tenor

Conducted by NORMAN SHERRATT.

\* First peal. † First of seven Surprise Minor.

CAM, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,  
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 18 cwt.

*CLIVE H. LEGG .. .. Treble	JOHN H. TAYLOR .. .. 4
ALAN TUBB .. .. 2	HUGH N. EVANS .. .. 5
MALCOLM M. POWELL .. .. 3	RONALD J. COX .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HUGH N. EVANS.

\* First peal of Minor. First of Minor on the bells.  
Rung half-muffled to the greater glory of God on Holy Saturday.

ERISWELL, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., March 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,  
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (four callings). Tenor 3 cwt. 16 lb. in D.

*WARLESS DODDS .. .. Treble	†ROBERT G. OAKLEY .. .. 3
ALAN M. BARBER .. .. 2	PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. 4
GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by ALAN M. BARBER.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.'

LECHLADE-ON-THAMES, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,  
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 17½ cwt.

*THELMA P. JOHNSON .. .. Treble	ROBERT J. DREWITT .. .. 4
†WILLIAM E. GEARING .. .. 2	GORDON W. LAND .. .. 5
E. WILLIAM FORD .. .. 3	BRIAN BLADON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GORDON W. LAND.

\* First peal of Minor. † First 'inside.'

Rung half-muffled on the eve of the Feast of the Holy Easter; also as a farewell to Thelma P. Johnson, soon to leave for northern climes.

ADLINGTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Sun., March 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,  
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 21 extents each of Grandsire and Plain Bob. Tenor 13½ cwt.

*DAVID MOSS .. .. Treble	MICHAEL ARROWSMITH .. .. 4
THOMAS TURNER .. .. 2	BERNARD MOSS .. .. 5
PAULINE TURNER .. .. 3	*ALAN McNUTT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BERNARD MOSS.

\* First peal attempt. First of Doubles for all the band.  
Rung for Easter by the Sunday service band.

EARDISLEY, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., March 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,  
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In two methods, being two extents of Kent Treble Bob and five of Plain Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.

*W. JOHN CLAYTON .. .. Treble	COLIN A. LEWIS .. .. 4
†MRS. MARGARET HOPE .. .. 2	JOHN W. HOPE .. .. 5
FREDERICK R. HARRIS .. .. 3	ROBERT A. HATCHER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT A. HATCHER.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. † First of Minor.  
Rung for the Easter Festival.

BULWICK, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,  
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In nine methods, being six extents each of Grandsire, St. Simon, St. Martin and four each of St. Osmund, St. Nicholas, Winchendon Place, St. Remigius, Plain Bob and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure.

Tenor 10 cwt. 27 lb. in F sharp.

PERCY AMOS .. .. Treble	*ROGER W. SMITH .. .. 3
RONALD RUSSELL .. .. 2	ALAN A. PAUL .. .. 4
GRAHAM C. PAUL .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by ALAN A. PAUL.

\* 50th peal, all rung with the tenor ringer. First in nine methods as conductor. Rung for the Easter Festival.

EASTRINGTON, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,  
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being an extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, St. Clement's, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

G. FREDERICK TERRY .. .. Treble	KENNETH B. SISSONS .. .. 4
MELVYN A. ROSE .. .. 2	ALAN SHEPPARD .. .. 5
J. MARTIN THORLEY .. .. 3	*JOHN F. UNDERWOOD .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

\* 25th peal. In memoriam Charles Thorley. Tenor 10½ cwt.

HOLME-ON-SPALDING MOOR, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,  
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in seven methods: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Oxford Treble Bob, (3) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (4) Single Oxford and Plain Bob, (5) Kent Treble Bob, (6 and 7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 6½ cwt.

ALAN SHEPPARD .. .. Treble	MELVYN A. ROSE .. .. 4
KENNETH B. SISSONS .. .. 2	JOHN F. UNDERWOOD .. .. 5
G. FREDERICK TERRY .. .. 3	J. MARTIN THORLEY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

KESSINGLAND, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Easter Monday, March 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND,  
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 28 methods, viz.: one extent each of Stedman's Principle, New Grandsire (2nd the whole hunt), Reverse St. Bartholomew, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob, Kennington, Norfolk, Old and April Day; one extent and one 240 (Morris' arrangement) of Grandsire: three extents each of St. Simon's, St. Martin's, St. Osmund's, St. Nicholas', St. Remigius' and Winchendon Place; and one spliced extent each of St. Simon's and Braywood S.C., St. Simon's and Rugby S.C., St. Martin's and Welford S.C., St. Martin's and Slapton S.C., St. Osmund's and Longworth S.C., St. Osmund's and Merton S.C., St. Nicholas' and Fundenhall S.C., St. Nicholas' and Longford S.C., St. Remigius' and Harpley S.C., St. Remigius' and Hascombe S.C., Winchendon Place and Haddiscoe S.C., and Winchendon Place and Thornborough S.C.

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. in F sharp.

MICHAEL UTTON .. .. Treble	RICHARD C. L. BROWN .. .. 4
THOMAS J. BROCK .. .. 2	MICHAEL J. PARKER .. .. 5
NORMAN P. J. COSSEY .. .. 3	CLEEVE F. FINCH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD C. L. BROWN.

First peal in 28 Doubles methods by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.  
Rung to celebrate the Easter Festival.



### KIRKBURTON, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (Barnsley and District Society.)

On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL HALLOWS.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being methods in seven extents: (1) Duke of Leeds, (2) City Delight, (3) Trinity Sunday, (4) Duke of York, (5) Tanners Pleasure, (6) Kent, (7) Oxford.

*HEDLEY BURTON .. .. Treble	ROGER CLARKE .. .. 4
ELIZABETH PEACE .. .. 2	NOEL F. MOXON .. .. 5
SUSAN PEACE .. .. 3	TREVOR TARBATT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by NOEL F. MOXON.

\* First peal.

Rung as a welcome to the new incumbent, the Rev. E. Clarke, M.A.

### BARKING, SUFFOLK. THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Tues., March 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one 720 each of Double Court, Cambridge, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

ROBERT E. LESTER .. .. Treble	NEVILLE F. WHITTELL .. 4
ALICE E. J. LESTER .. .. 2	ROGER L. K. WHITTELL .. 5
LAWRENCE H. PIZZIE .. .. 3	HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT E. LESTER.

In memoriam John Henry Lester, father of the conductor, died March 22nd, 1964, 40 years rector's warden at Bergh-Apton, Norfolk.

### HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE. THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., April 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in 22 methods, viz.: One each of St. Simon's, Eynsham, Elford, Norfolk, Grandsire, Newborough, Fortune, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Northrepps, Marchington, Newington and All Saints, three of Southrepps, four of Reverse Canterbury, two of St. Columb and three each of Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, Plain Bob, Kennington, Old, April Day and Seighford. Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. in G sharp.

RUTH BLACKSHAW .. .. Treble	MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 4
ROBIN H. ROGERS .. .. 2	GEORGE A. DAWSON .. .. 5
C. RAYMOND LARKIN .. .. 3	JACK DAWSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBIN H. ROGERS.

First peal in 22 methods by all.

### HUNTINGDON.

#### THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., April 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

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

GEORGE E. BONHAM .. .. Treble	GEORGE W. MASSEY .. .. 4
JANE K. A. COOK .. .. 2	ALBERT J. DAVEY .. .. 5
PETER WOOLLVEN .. .. 3	HAROLD S. PEACOCK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD S. PEACOCK.

Rung as a welcome to the Rev. H. T. W. Nesbitt, recently inducted as Rector of All Saints.

### HANDBELL PEALS

#### LLANDAFF, GLAMORGAN.

#### THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., March 22, 1964, in 1 Hour and 52 Minutes.

At Llys Esgo.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents of Grandsire and five different extents of Plain Bob.

Tenor size 15.

PETER J. SHIPTON .. .. 1—2	DAVID S. BISHOP .. .. 3—4
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NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON .. 5—6

Conducted by NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON.

Rung as a farewell to Mr. P. J. Shipton, who was leaving the district for Reading on March 26th.

### LECHLADE-ON-THAMES, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

#### THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., March 27, 1964, in 3 Hours and 51 Minutes.

At 10, St. John Street.

#### A PEAL OF 10080 SURPRISE MINOR

In 14 extents, being one extent each of Norfolk, Ipswich, Allendale, Westminster, Beverley, Berwick, Hexham, Surfleet, Netherseale, Annable's London, Bourne, Hull, Primrose and Cambridge.

Tenor size 15 in C.

GORDON W. LAND .. .. 1—2	BRIAN BLADON .. .. 3—4
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ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. 5—6

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

Witness: GILLIAN S. M. WALSH.

The longest length on handbells by all the band, and for the Association. The longest length of Surprise Minor on handbells.

## QUARTER PEALS

**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—On March 21st, 1,320 Ipswich Surprise Minor: C. H. Macve 1, Carol Cousins (first in method) 2, Katharine M. Guy 3, Margaret C. Godfrey 4, E. G. H. Godfrey 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6. Also on March 22nd, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: E. Mary Macve 1, Carol Cousins 2, R. Rayfield 3, Margaret C. Godfrey 4, E. G. H. Godfrey 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6.

**ALTON, HANTS.**—On Easter Day, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss S. Wood 1, Miss A. Biddlecombe 2, H. Moody 3, G. Noakes 4, E. Hedger 5, L. Noakes 6, R. Corke (cond.) 7, M. Holloway 8. For Evensong.

**ARLESEY, BEDS.**—On Feb. 22nd, 1,440 Minor (Cambridge, Plain Bob): P. G. Rogers 1, Verna Rix 2, Audrey Alexander 3, A. C. D. Maves 4, A. J. Strathdee 5, D. R. Saunderson (cond.) 6.

**ASTLEY, WORCS.**—On March 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: F. W. Davis 1, J. Ranford 2, M. Smele 3, R. Baylis 4, J. Gwilliam (cond.) 5, F. C. Pugh 6. For evening service.

**BARTON-LE-CLEY, BEDS.**—On St. Valentine's Day, 1,260 Single Oxford Bob Minor: R. J. Ashby 1, G. M. Pickwell 2, T. R. Harris 3, H. Mann 4, P. J. Ashby 5, T. P. Harris (cond.) 6. First in the method for all except cond. Also on March 30th, 1,440 Plain and Single Oxford Bob Minor: R. J. Ashby 1, H. Mann 2, T. R. Harris 3, T. P. Harris 4, P. J. Ashby 5, G. M. Pickwell (cond.) 6. For Easter Festival.

**BITTERNE PARK, SOUTHAMPTON.**—On March 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Margaret Russell 1, Jennifer Trent 2, D. E. House 3, Kay Hollingsworth 4, F. C. W. Knight 5, J. H. Taylor 6, H. J. Thomas (cond.) 7, Margaret Smith 8. First of Triples 1, 4 and 8. For Mothering Sunday.

**CANNOCK, STAFFS.**—On March 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Diana M. Preston (first quarter of Triples) 1, Shelagh C. Guthrie 2, Susan J. Devey 3, Lynda J. Roberts 4, G. Bradbury 5, A. E. Barker 6, P. J. Barker (cond.) 7, R. D. Baker 8. Rung for Easter. Also in honour of the wedding of Miss Janette Ansell, a local ringer, to Mr. Bernard Mills.

**CARDIGAN.**—On Easter Day, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob): Sian Evans 1, R. Pateman 2, A. F. Walters (cond.) 3, S. R. Thomas 4, J. D. Thomas 5, B. Griffiths 6. For Evensong.

**CHALFONT ST. PETER, BUCKS.**—On Palm Sunday, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: E. G. Swift 1, S. Lilly 2, Mrs. E. G. Swift 3, M. Damerell 4, C. J. Shepherd (cond.) 5, M. G. Swift 6. Also 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Dubarry (first quarter) 1, Miss A. Dubarry (first 'inside') 2, Mrs. E. G. Swift 3, S. Lilly 4, E. G. Swift (cond.) 5, R. Snack 6. Also on Easter Day, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss P. Moss 1, Miss A. Dubarry 2, S. Lilly 3, M. Damerell 4, C. J. Shepherd (cond.) 5, E. G. Swift 6. Farewell compliment to C. J. Shepherd, who is leaving the district for Holsworthy, Devon.

**DARLINGTON, CO. DURHAM.**—On Easter Day, at St. Cuthbert's, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss J. Warwick 1, Miss P. Dowse 2, Miss J. Cooke 3, Mrs. T. Cooke 4, Miss B. Cooke 5, G. F. Newton 6, F. Hodgson 7, T. Cooke (cond.) 8. For Matins. Also 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Miss J. Cooke 1, Miss P. Dowse 2, Miss B. Cooke 3, Mrs. T. Cooke 4, Miss J. Warwick 5, E. Pannell 6, F. Hodgson 7, T. Cooke (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**GREAT BARR, STAFFS.**—On Easter Day, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: P. W. Horrobin 1, Susan M. White 2, Judith M. White 3, Denise J. Hargreaves 4, D. K. Lane (cond.) 5, M. J. Howell 6. First quarter 1, 2, 4 and 6.

**HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.**—On Easter Sunday, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Jill Smith (first attempt for Major) 1, R. Newton 2, K. Gould (first attempt for Major 'inside') 3, D. Cornwall 4, Joyce Barton 5, A. Newton 6, S. Bailey 7, R. Biggs (cond.) 8. Also 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Carter (first quarter) 1, Beryl Smith 2, Wendy Hussey 3, Joyce Barton 4, D. Cornwall (cond.) 5, K. Gould 6, R. Biggs 7, N. Cornwall 8. For Evensong.

**KINGSTHORPE, NORTHANTS.**—On March 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss M. K. A. Newman 1, Miss I. I. Frost 2, E. J. Winkworth 3, D. R. Benfield 4, S. M. Ruddleaden 5, S. F. Carl (cond.) 6.

**KIRKBY-IN-ASHFIELD, NOTTS.**—On March 29th, 1,280 Doubles (10 methods): A. Georgetta Harrison 1, M. J. Kirk 2, Thelma E. Staples 3, J. A. Harrison 4, E. A. Harrison (cond.) 5. Rung for Matins on Easter Sunday. Also 1,260 Spiced Doubles (19 methods): G. Alcock (first in 19 methods) 1, E. A. Harrison 2, N. D. Kirk (first in 19 methods 'inside')

3, M. J. Kirk 4, J. A. Harrison (cond.) 5. Rung for Festival Evensong on Easter Day. Also on March 22nd, 1,260 Old Bob Doubles: A. G. J. Bostock 1, Maureen Green 2, Thelma E. Staples 3, M. J. Kirk (cond., 60th quarter) 4, J. A. Harrison 5. For Evensong.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On March 29th, 1,260 Doubles (in three methods): A. Neilson 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, R. P. Brotherston 3, H. P. Yates 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, T. C. Uden 6. For Judy and George married this day in Rhodesia.

**STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.**—On Feb. 26th, 1,288 Little Bob Major: R. Fry 1, Miss T. P. Johnson 2, Mrs. R. J. Drewitt 3, Miss P. A. Lansley 4, R. J. Drewitt 5, E. W. Ford 6, B. Bladon 7, A. R. Peake (cond.) 8. First in method for all except 8. For Lenten Evensong. Also on Easter Day, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Stedman): R. J. Drewitt 1, V. Griffin 2, Miss P. A. Lansley 3, R. Fry 4, A. R. Peake (cond.) 5, Miss T. P. Johnson 6. For Matins. Also 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Miss S. Haskins 1, Miss T. P. Johnson 2, Miss P. A. Lansley 3, Mrs. R. J. Drewitt 4, R. Fry 5, R. J. Drewitt 6, V. Griffin (cond.) 7, A. R. Peake 8. For children's service and also as a compliment to Kenneth Page, a former ringer, who was married the previous day.

### LATE NOTICES

**CHESTER GUILD.**—Stockport Branch.—Meeting at Marple, April 25th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. For tea please advise Mr. R. B. Smith, 20, Tytherington Court, Tytherington Road, Macclesfield. — C. K. Lewis. 4524

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chester Branch.—Meeting Saturday, April 25th, at Backford. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Numbers for tea by Thursday, April 23rd, please, to E. C. Crewe, 24, Elmwood Avenue, Hoole, Chester. 4527

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Goxhill, Sat., May 2nd. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Names for tea, by Wednesday previous, to Mr. S. Neave, Westfield Road, Goxhill, Lincs. — C. A. H. 4525



## NOTICES

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### BIRTHS

CHAPMAN.—On April 8th, 1964, at 'Melbreak,' Avey Lane, Waltham Abbey, to Jane and Bob, the gift of a daughter, A sister for Janet. 4517

FRITCHE.—On Saturday, April 4th, 1964, at 57, Albion Street, Anstey, Leicestershire, to Margaret (née Disney) and Tony, a son (Mark), brother for Louise. Second grandchild for Mary and Alban Disney. 4498

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

HARRIS.—The address of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Harris after April 21st will be 'Knightbridge,' Flexford Lane, Sway, Lymington, Hants. Telephone Sway 271. 4494

### PERSONAL

'And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his son.' (1 John v. 11.)

### MISCELLANEOUS

ASH, SURREY.—The secretary is now C. J. Champion, 62, Wentworth Crescent, Ash Vale, Aldershot, Hants. 4510

BUCKINGHAM PARISH CHURCH.—All ringing suspended until further notice owing to tower repairs. Will visitors kindly note. 4502

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Surprise Practice at Farnham on Thursday, April 16th, 7.30-9 p.m. 4512

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Full details of all peals rung for this Association, together with peal fees of sixpence per ringer, should be sent to the Peal Secretary, who is now Mrs. C. A. Agg, 76, Wymondley Road, Hitchin, Herts.—A. R. Agg, Gen. Sec. 4500

THE TELEPHONE NUMBER of Mr. and Mrs. J. Martin Thorley, 20, Cookridge Drive, Hatfield, Doncaster, Yorkshire, is Hatfield Woodhouse 532. 4520

SURPRISE MAJOR PRACTICE at Shalford, Surrey, on Thursday, April 23rd. Methods: Bristol, Ealing, Lincolnshire, Rutland, Pudsey, and Bristol. London, Cambridge, Superlative Spliced. 4516

PEAL CARDS AND QUARTER PEAL CARDS, minimum 12 in set, price 7s. 6d. post free. For quarter peal cards, second copy written out in style of a peal is essential.—'The Ringing World' Office, Guildford.

### MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Glastonbury Branch.—Meeting at St. John's, Glastonbury, Saturday, April 18th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting afterwards. Names for tea, please.—P. Hull, Dinder, Wells. 4425

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual general meeting on Sat., April 18th, at St. Nicholas Church, Warwick. Ringing from 2 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Church Hall followed by business meeting and social evening. Names for tea to J. L. Garnett-Hayward, Lowfold, Ashorne, Warwick. 4402

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Hunts District.—Meeting at St. Neots, Saturday, April 18th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 4437

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Quarterly meeting at Dagenham on April 18th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Dr. J. Armstrong, 7, The Cobbles, Brentwood. 4392

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leatherhead District.—Meeting at Capel on April 18th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Notification for tea to Mrs. H. Pentfold, 6, Greenside, Capel, Dorking, Surrey. 4379

## NORTHMOOR, OXFORDSHIRE.

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### POPULATION 250.

### WE HAVE GOT £250.

### COST OF REHANGING £1,000.

#### Can you help us?

Contributions gratefully acknowledged by the Rev. A. S. Caswell, Northmoor, Oxford. 4477

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Bishop's Stortford District.—Meeting at Brent Pelham on Saturday, April 18th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. No formal business meeting. Names for tea to W. J. Trigg, Lower Cottages, Brent Pelham, Buntingford.—D. Kingston. 4453

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—Hatfield, April 18th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names, please, to Miss A. Chapman, 18, Endymion Road, Hatfield, S.M.: Little Bob.—M. A. Coburn. 4435

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Meeting at Hythe, Saturday, April 18th. Bells (8, tenor 19 cwt.) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. W. J. Bidnell, 'Kenora,' London Road, Hythe.—C. T. H. 4424

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—Quarterly meeting, Lyminge, near Folkestone, on Saturday, April 18th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Those who require tea (cost 2s.) please notify Miss C. Selley, 'Brambletye,' Lyminge, near Folkestone. 4423

LADIES' GUILD.—South Wales District.—Meeting, April 18th at Caldicot. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Gentlemen welcome. Names for tea, please, to J. S. King, The Cedar Tiles, High Beech Lane, Chepstow. 4496

LADIES' GUILD.—Midland District.—Meeting, Saturday, April 18th, at Birmingham Cathedral, 3-4 p.m. Meeting in Cathedral heltry. Service 4.45 p.m. Own arrangements for tea. Ringing St. Martin's, Bull Ring, 6-7 p.m. Gentlemen cordially invited. 4471

LADIES' GUILD.—North-Western District.—A meeting is to be held on Saturday, April 18th. Bells available: Hoole 3 p.m., Handbridge 6 p.m. Business meeting at Hoole 4.30 p.m. Own arrangements for tea. Gentlemen friends and non-members welcome.—Mrs. H. L. Horn, Dis. Sec. 4473

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—Meeting at Bolton Parish Church, Saturday, April 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Cups of tea at 5. Ringing until 8 p.m.—Thornley, Sec. N.B.—Final day for names for picnic. 4468

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.—Meeting at Rawtenstall on Saturday, April 18th. Tower open for ringing at 3 p.m. Cups of tea at 5 p.m. No business. All welcome.—R. Holt, Branch Sec. 4489

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practice on April 18th. Ringing at Pinner 2.30 to 4.30 p.m., followed by service and tea. Ringing at Ruislip in the evening.—F. T. B. E. H. K. 4485

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wellingborough Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Earls Barton on Sat., April 18th. usual arrangements. Names for tea to Mrs. Wilkins, 20, Queen Street, Earls Barton. 4418

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Kettering Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Cranford April 18th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. C. H. Newell, 19, Cranford. All welcome.—M. A. C. 4427

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Peterborough Branch.—Spring meeting, Castor, April 18th. Bells 2.45 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to P. J. Sismey, 'Prince of Wales,' Castor.—R. H. Daw, Sec. 4459

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, April 18th. St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, 3.15-4.30 p.m. Tea 5. in the Church Hall. Meeting to follow. St. John of Jerusalem, South Hackney, 6.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to F. J. Matthews, 6, Foxwood Road, Bean, near Dartford, Kent. 4419

SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.—Meeting at All Saints', Loughborough (10), at 3 p.m. on Sat., April 18th. Names for tea to A. Myatt, 64, Toothill Road, Loughborough. 4393

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.—Practice meeting at Barcombe (6), Sat., April 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Special method: Oxford Treble Bob Minor. Names for tea, please, to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierpoint. 4444

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Basingstoke District.—Quarterly meeting, Yateley, Sat., April 18th. Bells from 2.45. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names, please, to J. Chesterman, Leacroft, Sherborne St. John, Basingstoke. 4450

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—Practice meeting, Chilcompton (6), Monday, April 20th. Bells available 7 p.m.—M. de Jong. 4490

GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Rural Branch.—Practice meeting, Henbury (8) on Friday, April 24th. Bells available 7.30-9 p.m. 4475

UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD GUILD.—First practice of Easter team at St. Marie's, Norfolk Row, on Friday, April 24th, 8-9.30 p.m. Summer tour fixed for June 20th-21st, any past members interested please contact M. R. Meadows, 21, Clayfields, Wentworth, Rotherham, Yorks. 4479

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Axbridge Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Bleadon (6), Saturday, April 25th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business.—M. Legg, Hon. Sec. 4496

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cary Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Corton Denham, Saturday, April 25th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. South Cadbury bells after tea.—L. McCreadie, Level Lane, Charlton Horethorne, Sherborne, Dorset. 4483

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—Quarterly meeting, Husbome Crawley, Saturday, April 25th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business 5 p.m. Names for tea not later than 23rd to Mr. R. R. Churchill, 33, Turnpike Road, Husbome Crawley, Bletchley. 4484

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northwich Branch.—Meeting at Lower Peover on Saturday, April 25th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to Mr. John Scott, 54, High Street, Great Budworth, near Northwich. 4480

CUMBERLAND & NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION.—The annual general meeting of the Association will be held at St. Michael's Church, Workington, on Sat., April 25th. Bells available 1.30 p.m. Tea 4.45. Meeting 5.30. Evensong 7. Those requiring tea should notify Mr. L. Boumphrey, 35, Brighourne Drive, Seaton, Workington, by April 18th.—J. W. Brownrill, Secretary. 4405

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Adwick, Saturday, April 25th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names to J. Loughton, Hon. Sec., 95, Tenter Balk Lane, Adwick-le-Street, Doncaster. 4492

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting, Tilney All Saints, Saturday, April 25th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 4506

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Annual meeting, Stroud, April 25th, 2.15 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m., 4s. to be paid in advance to Mr. R. Nicholas, 4, Blue Boys Park, Minchinhampton, Stroud, Glos. Service 6 p.m.—Charles Rouse, Hon. Sec. 4509

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Meeting at Hawley on April 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. D. N. Jennings, 74, Chapel Road, Farnborough, by previous Wednesday, D. P. Elmore. 4513



**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—King-ton District.—Meeting at Presteigne, Saturday, April 25th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Tuesday to Mrs. E. Chandler, Beechgrove, Kingston.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewis-ham District.—Quarterly meeting, Christ Church, Erith, Saturday, April 25th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by the 22nd to Mr. A. G. Hill, 24, Stanmore Road, Belvedere. 4487

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Roches-ter District.—Quarterly meeting at Bobbing (6) on April 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mr. B. W. May, 'Keithstone', Keycol Hill, Sittingbourne.—L. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Annual general meeting on Saturday, April 25th. Ringing at Meanwood (5), 2.30-4.15 p.m. Short service at St. Chad's, Headingley, 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names, please, by previous Thursday to Mr. Alfred Johnson, 80, Castle Grove Avenue, Leeds 6. St. Chad's bells-available after tea. 4485

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hinck-ley District.—Meeting, Higham-on-the-Hill, Saturday, April 25th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in the School Rooms 5 p.m. The District annual striking contest will follow the monthly business meeting, team entries to the District Secretary. Names for tea by the Wednesday previous, please, to Mr. Paul Gilliver, 19, Main Street, Higham-on-the-Hill, near Nuneaton.—M. Vernon, Dis. Sec. 4511

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Leices-ter District.—Meeting, April 25th. Markfield, Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Church Room 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Wardle, 180, Main Street, Markfield, by April 22nd.—A. James Poyner. 4491

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Annual meeting, Lincoln, April 25th. Holy Com-munion 8 a.m. in the Ringers' Chapel at the Cathedral. Service 4.15 p.m. at the Cathedral, followed by tea and meeting in the Tithe Barn. Ringing Blankney (6) 11 a.m.—12; Metheringham (8) 12—1 p.m.; Nocton 1—2 p.m.; Lincoln Cathedral (12). St. Giles' (8). St. Peter-at-Gowts' (6) and St. Botolph's (6). 2—4 p.m. and after tea. Tea for those who inform Mr. J. Walden, 50, Cecil Street, Lincoln, by Wednesday previous.—John Free-man, Hon. Sec. 4461

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—V.W.H. Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Uffington, Satur-day, April 25th. Bells (5) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea, School Hall. Names, please, by Wednesday, April 22nd, to R. F. J. Gilling, Branch Sec., Fernham, Faringdon, Berks. 4518

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Witney and Woodstock Branch.—A.G.M. at North-leigh on April 25th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Choral service 4 p.m. Tea reservations to E. D. Patching, 19, Common Close, North-leigh Witney, by April 23rd.—D. J. S. 4503

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northampton Branch.—Business meeting, Pits-ford, Sat., April 25th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to B. E. Frost, 40, Foxgrove Avenue, Northampton. 4376

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Dor-chester Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Fording-ton St. George, Dorchester, on Saturday April 25th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5, followed by meeting, St. Peter's, Dorchester (8), also available 7-9 p.m. Names for tea to Miss P. House, 1, Egdon Road, Manor Park, Dorchester, Dorset.—R. H. Duke, Hon. Sec. 4474

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Marl-borough Branch.—Meeting, Aldbourne, Satur-day, April 25th. Names for tea by April 21st to T. A. Palmer, 16, Oxford Street, Ald-bourne, Marlborough, Wilts. 4432

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Salis-bury Branch.—April 25th, quarterly meeting, Martin, Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Names by Tuesday, 21st, to G. A. Trimby, 24, West Street, Wilton. 4440

**SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—An even-ing meeting will be held at Madeley (Salop) on Saturday, April 25th. Bells (8) available 6.30 to 8.30 p.m. 4519

**STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.**—Evening practice meeting at Colwich (near Stafford) on Saturday, April 25th. Bells (6) available 6.30-8.30 p.m.—C. M. S., Hon. Sec.

# **THE RAILWAYMAN'S GUILD** Annual general meeting at Crewe, Sat., April 25th.

Programme	
10.30 a.m.	Business meeting, Kettell's Restaurant, High Street, Crewe.
11.30 a.m.	Coach to Macclesfield.
12.30 p.m.	Lunch at the Beehive Res-taurant.
1.30 p.m.	Ringling at St. Michael's (12), or St. Peter's (8).
2.30 p.m.	Ringling at Christ Church (10), or St. Michael's.
4.30 p.m.	Tea at 'the Beehive.'
5.30 p.m.	Return to Crewe by coach.
6.30/9 p.m.	Ringling at Christ Church. Crewe, also on Friday even-ing.
J. Arthur Hoare, Hon. Sec. 4454	

**SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AND NORTH LEICESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Meet-ing, Shardlow, April 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Names for tea before 22nd to Mr. J. Foster 14, Long Row, Shardlow, Derbyshire. No names no tea. 4507

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—Central District.—Quarterly meeting at Worlingworth (8) on Saturday, April 25th, and not at Stradbroke as previously arranged. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. at the Rectory. Tannington bells (6) also available in the afternoon. Requests for tea by April 22nd, please, to L. E. Last, Low Street, Hoxne, Diss, Norfolk. 4420

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Dis-trict.—Striking competition at Banstead on April 25th. Service 2.30 p.m. Draw 3 p.m. Entry forms from N. Steere, 1, Prior Avenue, Sutton, Surrey. All Sunday service bands in the county eligible. Tea after last band has competed. Names (other than competing bands) to Mr. H. Pitstow, Saffron, High Street, Banstead, Surrey, by April 22nd. General ring-ing after tea and meeting. 4395

**SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Divi-sion.—Practice meeting at Willington (6) on April 25th. Bells 3 till 5 and 6 till 8 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. B. Percy, 'Esperance,' 47, Oldfield Road, Willington, Eastbourne.—I. Smith, Sec. 4466

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIO-CEAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—Quarterly meeting, St. Peter's, Titchfield, April 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. in Vicarage. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to Mr. L. Duguid, 106, Stride Avenue, Portsmouth. 4481

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIO-CEAN GUILD.**—Christchurch District.—Practice meeting, April 25th at Brockenhurst. Bells 2.45-4.45 p.m. Tea in Ye Olde Tea House 5 p.m. Lyndhurst (provisionally) 6.30-8.30 p.m. Names for tea essential to L. F. Cobb, Hon. Dis. Sec., 182, Southampton Road, Ringwood. 4504

**GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Cheltenham Branch.—Meet-ing at Winchcombe on Wednesday, April 29th. 7.30 p.m.—J. Homfray, Branch Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.E. District.—Meeting at Goldhanger, Saturday, May 2nd. Six bell striking competition at 2.30. Service 4.30 p.m. General ringing after tea. Names by April 29th to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury. 4472

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—Meeting at Haslemere on Saturday, May 2nd. Bells (10) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. Weatherley, 48, Weysprings, Haslemere.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Edenham, Satur-day, May 2nd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. W. Holmes, The Garage, Edenham, Bourne, Lincs, by Monday, April 27th.—F. G. Vickers, Hon. Sec.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Berks Branch.—Annual meeting at Harwell, Saturday, May 2nd. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea in Parish Hall 4.30 p.m. Names not later than April 28th.—C. Corderoy, 'West-Wynds', Westbrook Street, Blewbury, Didcot. 4478

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Not-tingham District.—Meeting, Saturday, May 2nd, Attenborough. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Eliminat-ing round for the Crawford Cup. Names for tea by April 30th to S. Adams, 54, Wil-ford Road, Ruddington. 4521

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Beddington, on Sat., May 2nd. Ringing at Carshalton 3—4 p.m., Beddington 3—4.30 p.m., followed by service, tea, and meeting in Village Hall. Names for tea to Mr. S. Kim-ber, 31, East Drive, Carshalton Beeches.—R. I. Parsons. 4426

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Annual Festival will be held on Sat., May 9th, at Hartford, Northwich. Service 4 p.m. Preacher: Rev. C. H. Huggill, Rural Dean of Middle-wich. Tea 5 p.m. followed by business meet-ing. Tickets for tea 4s. 6d. each, obtainable from Mr. R. W. Worrall, Hillcroft, 1, Vale Road, Hartford, Northwich, before May 4th. Towers available: Hartford (6) 2-4 p.m. and after the meeting; Middlewich (8) Over (8); Weaverham (6); Gt. Budworth (8); Daven-ham (6); Witton (8) all from 2-3.30 p.m. and after the meeting by arrangement.—Henry O. Baker, Gen. Sec. 4375

**DERBY DIOCEAN ASSOCIATION.**—Horsley Cup ringing contests.—**Chersterfield District:** Claycross, May 9th. 3 p.m. Non-competitors send names for tea to Mrs. J. Price, 1, Bertrand Close, Clay Cross. **Derby District:** Breadsall, April 25th. 3 p.m. Non-competitors send names for tea to M. Willis, 33, Gisbourne Close, Mickleover, Derby, before April 22nd. General ringing after tea and meeting. **Ilkeston District:** Stanton-by-Dale, Friday, April 24th. 7.30 p.m. **Final:** Horsley, May 30th, 2.30 p.m. Non-competitors send names for tea to D. Marshall, 52, Wvvern Avenue, Long Eaton, Nottingham, before May 26th. 4499

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## **PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**

The annual general meeting will be held on Saturday, May 9th, at Northampton. Committee meeting, 3 p.m. and service 4 p.m. at St. Peter's Church, Marefair. Tea and meeting, 5 p.m. at All Saints' Church Rooms, Horseshoe Street. Tea tickets (3s. 6d. each and c.w.o.) must be obtained by Saturday, May 2nd, from Mr. D. Isaacs, 9, The Square, Pitsford.

## **RINGING ARRANGEMENTS**

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<b>Northampton :</b>			
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Holy Sepulchre (8).	1.45 p.m.-3.00 p.m.	)	
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Route 1	Route 2		
Roads (5).	Moulton (8).	11.15 a.m.-12.15 p.m.	)
Collingtree (5).	Cogenhoe (6).	11.45 a.m.-12.45 p.m.	)
Milton Malsor (5).	Lt. Houghton (5).	12.15 p.m.- 1.15 p.m.	)
Rothersthorpe (5).	Brafield (6).	12.45 p.m.- 1.45 p.m.	)
Bugbrooke (5).		Not available.	)
Dallington (6).	Piddington (6).	1.15 p.m.- 2.15 p.m.	)
Kingsthorpe (6).	Wootton (5).	1.45 p.m.- 2.45 p.m.	)
F. Billings, General Secretary.			4488



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**DEVONSHIRE GUILD OF RINGERS.**—Exeter Branch.—Meeting at Brampford-Speke on Sat., May 9th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea 4.30, names early. Meeting following.—G. Skinner, 38, Manston Road, Exeter. 4381

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Guild festival will be held at Marlborough, Wilts, on Saturday, May 9th. The annual general meeting in the Town Hall at 2.15 p.m., when a welcome will be given by the Mayor of Marlborough (Mr. J. W. Seamer). The festival service at the Parish Church of St. Mary the Virgin, 4 p.m., conducted by the Rector, the Rev. Canon F. B. R. Brown. High tea in the Church Hall at 5 p.m. Tickets 5s. to be obtained from the Assistant Hon. Secretary, Mr. F. Slatford, 35, Westbury Road, Yarnbrook, near Trowbridge, before May 6th. Bells available: Marlborough St. Peter's (8). Aldbourne (8), Marlborough St. Mary the Virgin (6), Chisledon, East Kennett, Everleigh, West Overton, Pewsey, Mildenhall, available from 12 noon to 2 p.m. and from 6 p.m. onwards. The following towers also available by contacting the appropriate incumbent: Collingbourne Kingston, Ramsbury, Savernake and Great Bedwin. All towers closed between 2 and 6 p.m.—W. C. West, Hon. Sec., 584, Semington Road, Melksham, Wilts. 4501

**MASONIC RINGERS' ANNUAL FESTIVAL.**—This Festival is being held at Oxford, on Sat., May 30th. Arrangements are as follows: Ringing at Kidlington (8) 12—1 p.m., All Saints' (8) 2—3; Cathedral (12) 3—4; Appleton (10) 4.30—5.30. Dinner at Masonic Hall, Oxford (333, Banbury Road), at 6.30 p.m., at approximate cost of 15s. 6d. per head. Cups of tea can be provided, also bed and breakfast for those wishing to stay the night. Replies to: H. Badger, 53, Ridgeway Road, Headington, Oxford (stating Lodge number). Tel. Oxford 61419. 4441

**SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—Borough Jubilee Ringing Day, Sat., July 18th. Ringing arrangements: Great Wakering (6) 2—3.30; Prittlewell (10) 3—4.30; Leigh (6) 6—7.30; Thorpe Bay (8) 7—8.30; Prittlewell 8—9.15. Rayleigh (8) and South Benfleet (6) will be made available on application to P. Sloman, 26, Ennismore Gardens, Southend-on-Sea. 4452

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**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Preliminary Notice.—The Oswy Street Memorial Cup open contest of 720 changes will be at Laxton (6, 12½ cwt.) on August 29th. For rules write to H. Denman, 2, Askham Road, Rockley, Retford, Notts. 4523

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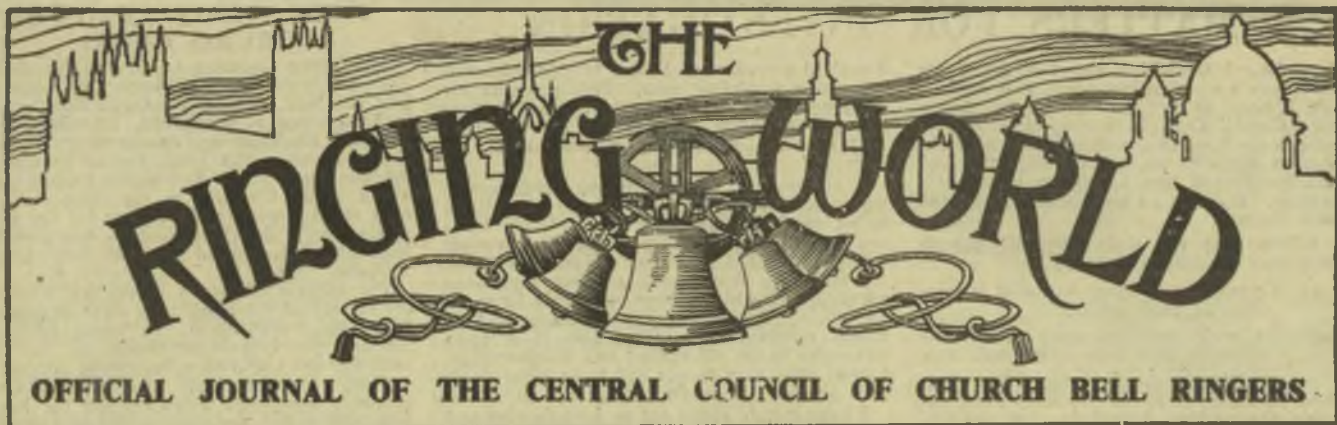
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## BELLS AT A MUSIC FESTIVAL

READERS will recall that last year the organisers of the Twickenham and Richmond Music Festival included for the first time sections on handbells, for tunes and for change ringing. Evidently an instance of their astute Chairman, Dr. D. J. Neal Smith, introducing novelties gradually, because this year he persuaded his committee not only to repeat the handbell items, but also to include a section for tower bell ringing. I imagine this must be the first time change ringing on tower bells has been an item in a music festival, but predict it will not be the last.

This year the handbell contests were held on March 5th, at 'The London Apprentice,' at Isleworth. This was appropriate because of the long connection of this public house with London ringers and their handbells. It had the drawback, however, that the performances were not given in the presence of the vocalists and other instrumentalists attending the Festival. Nevertheless about 70-80 people did attend.

The rules provided for competitors to ring not less than 250 changes in any standard method, two in hand. Entrants had, therefore, to be beyond the stage reached by so many of us of just being able to get through a plain course of Grandsire Triples or Plain Bob Major. What could not have been expected, however, was that one of the bands would choose to ring 288 changes of Spliced Surprise Major (London, Cambridge, Superlative and Bristol). It is impossible to do this unless the striking and rhythm are almost perfect, so the adjudicator had no real difficulty in awarding the chairman's challenge shield and an honours certificate to John Mayne's team for a wonderful performance. No judge ever gives marks of 100%—I awarded 95%, but readily admit that the few faults found would have been unnoticeable in any less perfect performance.

Mr. Goodfellow's team from St. John's, Islington, were second, with 252 changes of Grandsire Triples, an excellent performance, marred only by one bad patch. Mr. Rogers' band from Isleworth was remarkable because it was 75% a family affair and they chose 252 Stedman Triples—not everyone's choice for easy performance. They came third, but it was a close thing. Fourth were the Christ Church, Epsom Common, Guild, who rang 272 Plain Bob Major.

The team tune ringing which followed had three entries and so different were they in character that they could well have formed separate classes. The Ealing band, led by Mr. Fulwell, who is tower captain at St. Mary's, Ealing, gave an impressive performance and the dexterity shown by 11 performers with some 50 bells was evidence of much practice together. Last year they were the only competitors in this class, but this year they were just as clear winners of the Festival challenge shield. The Whittington handbell ringers, 10 performers, each with two bells, were excellent and deserved sympathy in meeting the Ealing band and therefore only gaining second place. Epsom were third, but their choice of simple well-known tunes for their 12 bells was very well advised and gave enjoyment to the audience.

This year's novelty, the tower bell competition, attracted five teams to Isleworth tower on March 14th, and added interest was given to this by the attendance of the B.B.C. As already reported briefly, short extracts from the ringing and remarks by Dr. Neal Smith, by myself as adjudicator, and by the conductor of the winning band, Mr. F. W. Goodfellow, were included in the Home Service on the following Monday. The teams, with methods rung and faults found were: 25 Stedman Triples, by Hillingdon, 25 faults; and by Isleworth, 29 faults; and Chelsea, 20 faults; Heston, 252 Grandsire Triples, 31

faults; and Epsom, 252 Plain Bob Triples, 49 faults. The closeness of marks of the first four teams will be noted, Isleworth being placed second and Chelsea third, only by taking into account the type of touch called.

Ringing competitions are a new venture in this part of the country as well as new in a music festival. If they lead, as I think they must, to an improvement in striking and the encouragement of friendly rivalry to that end, then they seem to be well worth while. The rules of the Festival require that no adjudicator should serve for more than two consecutive years so, while thanking the teams for their forbearance, I can now leave to another the invidious job of commenting publicly on the performances of my friends.

W. G. WILSON.

## TECHNICAL LITERATURE

By ANDREW S. HUDSON

IT was very encouraging to read Mr. Hodgson's letter in 'the Ringing World.' The problem of publication of definitive works dealing with the various theoretical aspects of change ringing is of course financial. It is impossible to make large collections readily available unless a realistic price is charged to ensure recovery of capital expenditure, and it is not easy to estimate in advance the demand for such publications. If collections are published privately, then recovery of expenditure must usually be made fairly soon after the book becomes available, and therefore one cannot keep the price low in the hope of breaking even over a period of years, but nevertheless one can guarantee to cover cost if a price is charged similar to those which one would expect to pay for books on any other subject. Why should the ringing public expect to get its textbooks for three or four shillings? If we want works which are complete, properly printed and bound, we should expect to pay the order of 15s. to £1. and then there would be some encouragement to the Central Council to go ahead and provide some respectable publications.

When there is a demand for information by the Exercise, the Central Council should take all reasonable steps to satisfy it: this is one of the reasons why we elect a Council, and the appropriate committee have a responsibility to us to see that these things are done, and done in a reasonable length of time. Little wonder that one has to take things into one's own hands when year after year goes by and very little happens. When a publication does emerge, it frequently doesn't contain what we want, on account of some personal whim of the people responsible, and we are little better off.

I have learnt several lessons from the recent Collection of Right Place Surprise Methods. On the one hand, my colleagues and I now appreciate the difficulties involved in producing an accurate work, free from mistakes, together with the simple hard work and time required. On the other hand, we now have a much better appreciation of the feelings and attitude of the Exercise as a whole towards such a collection. Over the last few months we have received the opinions of about a hundred people, of which over half have been through the post. It appears that such steps as we have taken are almost universally welcomed, and also that the Exercise is prepared to pay for the information it requires. Indeed, I can find only three letters out of over 50 which do not approve of our efforts, so there is every encouragement to carry on with similar ventures.

Finally, a few words on the subject of further collections of methods. It is no trouble to produce definitive lists of methods by computer means, but in many cases it is impracticable to publish them. In the case of the Right Place methods, we

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## MATTERS FOR INVESTIGATION

Dear Sir,—I trust that you will allow me space to say a word or two about two motions which I hope to put forward at the forthcoming Central Council meeting at Truro. I do this in the hope that members may have the chance to consider the issues beforehand and so use the limited time for debate to the best advantage. It is not an attempt to by-pass the Central Council.

I believe that the main aims of change ringing may be summarised as:

- (a) To produce as much variation as possible at each stroke.
- (b) To avoid repetition until all the possibilities have been exhausted.

It is possible to develop the Plain Bob method on the basis of the two main aims, explaining the various limitations that are imposed from practical considerations and to obtain uniformity throughout the Exercise. This I have endeavoured to do in our ringing courses at Lumley Castle and this year with the co-operation of kind friends I set this out in the form of a booklet.

In the ordinary course of a method it is not necessary for a bell to lie more than two consecutive blows in the same position and it is not necessary for more than one bell to do this between successive rows with an odd number of bells, or for more than two to do this on an even number of bells. This permits of a wide variety of methods where these limits are not exceeded.

### CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE

There would be quite a logical case for stipulating that these limits should not be exceeded in methods which are to be classed as 'regular.' However, one of the methods that would become irregular would be Cambridge Surprise. This is a method which is widely rung and is part of the standard repertoire and there is, therefore, a good case for extending the limits so that Cambridge and a number of other methods shall remain regular. This is the background of my motion: 'That the Central Council shall no longer recognise as regular any even-bell method which has four places made between successive rows on more than one occasion in a half-lead.'

Criticism will doubtless be raised on the scores that (a) the acceptance of this motion would restrict the freedom of ringers and (b) a few methods already rung will become irregular.

On point (a) it may be observed that most, if not all, of the Central Council conditions restrict freedom. For example, the requirement of Plain Bob lead-ends causes rejection of about 59 out of every 60 notations for Right Place Surprise Major methods. If this motion is adopted there will still be 9,106 Right Place Surprise Major methods available and to these must be added all those with places made wrong. This considerable number is achieved within the limitations imposed by Surprise.

This is a voluntary limitation accepted by many ringers which leaves almost untapped a vast reservoir of Treble Bob and Delight methods, largely because of the mistaken prestige value of the word 'Surprise.' It may be noted that ringers have generally shown a preference for those methods without double changes in that in Hudson and McClenahan's collection as published 186 without double changes were named against only 60 containing double changes, although the total number available in the latter category is much greater.

On point (b) it may be recalled that methods which were being rung, such as Woodbine, were excluded when Plain Bob lead-ends were required. This has not stopped them from being rung and, indeed, the Central Council cannot and should not attempt to dictate to ringers what they should or should not ring. The Council can and should exercise complete control over its own records. Peals already recorded in methods which would cease to be regular should be allowed to stand but no future performances would be recognised.

### SYSTEMATIC NOMENCLATURE

I believe that we have reached the stage where a systematic nomenclature is overdue and

I noticed a recent letter from Mr. Shuttleworth expressing a similar view. This accounts for the second motion: 'That the Central Council should investigate and report on the possibilities of systematic nomenclature for methods.'

A prerequisite for such an investigation would seem to be a list of all the possibilities to be considered and, therefore, Messrs. Hudson and McClenahan have done an extremely useful job in one section of the field. With the restriction on double changes that they have adopted, and which I propose should be made an official requirement, the collection is kept within reasonable bounds. This is a great advantage to set off against any disadvantages. I hope that other people will cover other fields in a similar way in due course.

I have merely called for an investigation and not sought to specify how this should be carried out. There seem to be two main possibilities (a) to use an existing committee, such as 'Methods' or (b) to set up a special committee. This would seem to be a good case for the latter and it might well be the finding of a suitable convener with power to enlist assistants would be the most effective way of doing the job.—Yours faithfully,

DENIS A. BAYLES.

Chester-le-Street.

## PUTNEY WEEK-END, 1964

An assortment of ringers converged on King's Lynn on Friday, April 3rd, in three cars and a minibus to start another Putney week-end tour. The prospects were not very good when we set out from King's Lynn, our base, on the Saturday morning, and at Terrington St. Clement, the first tower, there was a small gale blowing. After an enjoyable ring here we went on to Long Sutton (a fine eight), being held up by a ship at Sutton Bridge.

The tower at Tydd St. Giles (6) stands some 40 feet away from the church, having been moved because of a subsidence. The pleasant six of Wisbech St. Mary's preceded dinner. Downham Market's 8 proved to be a pleasant ring. On to Watlington (6), another ground-floor ring, and then to the much awaited six at St. Mary the Virgin's, Wiggenshall, reputed to be unringable. We got them up and indeed there were some rounds in between bells dropping but the final verdict was unringable for changes. St. Mary Magdalen's, by contrast, were a very good six recast in 1952. Finally a visit to Waywood (another 6) brought us back to King's Lynn. During the evening we enjoyed a friendly practice and some good ringing on the melodious ten of St. Margaret's Parish Church.

Leaving King's Lynn homeward bound we called at Swaffham, where we rang the fine eight from the gallery. After a most enjoyable lunch at Bury St. Edmunds those who could still move made their way to the Cathedral, where some good ringing was had on the 30 cwt. ten. On then to Burwell (another good eight) before having tea in Cambridge, the last tower contained the fine new eight at Trumpington.

Our thanks to all who made us welcome and allowed us to ring. C. F. M.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

Before ringing could commence on the pleasant but heavy six at Blunham, when the Biggleswade District met there on April 11th, all the ropes had to be taken up considerably. Despite this delay and the rather poor attendance the bells were put to good use during the afternoon, with Mr. B. Sims as Ringing Master.

Eighteen ringers then adjourned to the Village Hall, where they enjoyed an excellent tea prepared by the local ladies. The Vicar took the chair at the short business meeting which followed, when a collection was made towards the cost of the printing block for the new certificates of membership. Several visitors in the evening widened the variety of methods rung. A. R. A.

## FIRST 12-BELL PEAL FOR TRURO GUILD

The Truro Diocesan Guild was founded in 1897, but it was not until August, 1907, that the first peal was rung for the Guild and that was in Devonshire at Emmanuel, Plymouth, by a band of life members, conducted by the late Harry Myers. This band wanted to forestall the late Rev. F. E. Robinson's touring party which visited Cornwall in the same year and rang the first peal in the county for the Guild at Kenwyn in the October. This was a peal of Superlative, conducted by the late George Williams.

The diocese of Truro covers the whole of the county of Cornwall with three parishes in Devonshire—Werrington (8), North Petherwin (6) and St. Giles-in-the-Heath (5), but few peals for the Guild have been rung outside the diocese. On the other hand, Devon Guild members have more often crossed the border and rung a peal for their Guild in Cornwall. In 1913 the late William Pye visited Cornwall and rang five peals but he credited these to the Devon Guild, which may well have been his answer to the fact that he was only allowed to ring for three-quarters of an hour at Truro Cathedral. He then had to wait 25 years for a peal at Truro when he conducted one of Cambridge Royal in 1938, but on his way down he had already rung the first peal of Cambridge Royal for the Guild at Yeovil, no doubt allowing for any mishap at Truro.

For a long time resident members of the Guild have cherished the idea of ringing a 12-bell peal, and the possibility seemed nearer some five years ago when it became known that there was a scheme for a tower and a ring of 12 at Newquay. At the moment this seems as far away as ever.

Two years ago permission was given for an attempt at Buckfast Abbey and as the date drew nearer it was decided to attempt Grand-sire Cinques and a band was got together. One or two who were invited were very modest and considered they had not had enough 12-bell practice, but some life members very kindly helped and the peal was rung with surprising ease. The Truro Guild is grateful to Devonshire for providing the opportunity. Special thanks are due to Mr. Aubrey Bennett, who made contact with the Abbey authorities, and he was there with Father Paulinus to give a welcome and to see that all was in order. It was certainly a privilege and joy to all who took part to set up yet another milestone for the Truro Guild on such a glorious ring of bells.

## UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY ATTEMPT

The attempt at a long length of Grandsire Caters at Loughborough on April 11th was very short lived. The ringing stopped after 1 hour 27 minutes when one of the band became indisposed. Since there was no reserve to hand at that time it was decided not to restart the attempt.

Mr. Patrick J. Bird writes: 'We are extremely grateful to J. Taylor and Co. for the use of the bells, and to Maurice Hughes, Peter Bennett, David Marshall and Arthur Wright, who kindly acted as umpires.'

**Technical Literature**—Continued from page 1, originally hoped to publish all the ones with more than one double change per half-lead, but when we found that there are at least 25,000 of them in addition to the ones which we did in fact publish it was quite out of the question to publish them all. There must be many more wrong place methods than there are right, so one could not hope to sell a list of all of them at an economical price.

One solution to this problem would not be too difficult to put into practice. A limited number of tabulations of both the above classes of method (including falseness) could be made and sold at cost to the various Association libraries. The lists would then be available to anyone who wanted to inspect them and there would be no financial risk to the compilers. We would merely need to know which Associations would be prepared to pay something like £1 for a copy. I do not propose to do anything about this at the moment, but if there is sufficient favourable comment and interest then we can certainly go ahead.



# BATH & WELLS A.G.M. : GREATER INTEREST IN RINGING

THE 74th annual meeting of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association took place at Minchew on Easter Monday. Ringers from all parts of the Diocese gathered in the Parish Church for the service conducted by the Master of the Association, the Rev. H. F. Warren. The lesson was read by Mr. Christopher Hopkins, a ringer and student at Wells Theological College.

After lunch, taken at the Dorrien Restaurant, the meeting took place in the Parish Hall. This was opened with prayer and the Master asked members to stand in memory of the following who had passed away during the year—Preb. C. S. L. Alford, Mrs. E. Knight, Messrs. F. C. Andrews, F. Bond, W. Dunkerton, H. Griffin, R. Higgins, D. Loxton, T. Mogg, S. Pyne, C. Webb and A. J. Whitehead. Apologies for absence were received from the president, Miss N. G. Williams, the Rev. F. Bennett, Messrs. P. Field and D. Yeo. Visitors were welcomed from Gloucester, Middlesex and Hampshire.

In presenting his report the Master said that, because of the bad weather and clashing of meeting dates, he had only been able to visit six Branches during the year. He had seen enough, however, to know that the Association was going forward steadily.

He told the meeting that he had been privileged to address the Diocesan Conference on the work of the Association. His remarks had created a great deal of interest and had resulted in numerous inquiries both in ringing and in the care of bells. He was most grateful to the Lord Bishop for giving him this opportunity.

The Master referred to the volume of work now being undertaken by the Diocesan Adviser on the Care of Bells, Mr. H. J. Sanger. He felt that the time was coming when the Association would have to expand this service. Inquiries were also being received concerning the noisiness of bells. Mr. Warren said that although our instinctive reaction was to say that the bells had been ringing in that way for 300 years they must realise that much can be done to overcome the problem and ringers should be the first to come forward with constructive ideas.

## 191 TOWERS AFFILIATED

The secretary, Mr. G. Salmon, reported a performing membership of 1,692, a drop of 39 on the previous year. This was disappointing but, on the brighter side, he was pleased to note that 191 towers were now affiliated through their Parochial Church Councils.

Mr. Salmon referred to the departure from Somerset of Mr. P. C. Wright, the peal secretary. He recalled that Mr. Wright had had a most exacting period in office and had written up all the peals rung for the Association prior to 1902. This work had involved considerable research, mostly undertaken by Mr. Sanger, and he was sure that the Association were most grateful to these two officers for giving them such an interesting insight to its early history.

Instruction under the affiliation scheme was continuing and beginning to show the results of many hours patiently spent, some hands having reached the quarter peal stage. In discussing striking, the secretary said that he had noticed a falling off in the standard of service touches, particularly at Branch meetings. He felt that this touch should be of the highest possible standard and that, as it should be an example to young ringers, the Ringing Master should nominate a band that he knew would ring really well. It should certainly not be treated too lightly.

## FINANCES ENCOURAGING

In presenting the balance sheet the treasurer, Mr. E. Naylor, reported an increase of £8 on the General Fund. This was due mainly to a large number of non-resident life members being elected in 1963, but he warned the meeting that this would probably be offset by the cost of printing the annual report. A badge piercing tool had been purchased for £27 10s. and £15 18s. had been paid to 'The Ringing World' as half of the peal booking fees received during the year.

Affiliation fees transferred to the Bell Fund totalled £130. Grants from this fund amounted to £75 and were made to six towers, the following having benefited: Watchet £42, Cossington £15 15s., Nailsea £10 10s., Frome £3 3s., Weston Zoyland £2 2s. and Worle £2 2s.

The balance on the General Fund was £229 and that on the Bell Fund £225. The approximate value of investments was £315.

Mr. H. J. Sanger, the Diocesan Adviser on the Care of Bells, told the meeting that he had visited 19 towers in 1963. He gave a comprehensive report on his year's work and also reported the progress of restoration work carried out in towers that he had helped previously. Mr. Sanger was very pleased to say that he had been consulted by one architect in connection with the Quinquennial Surveys at several towers. It seemed that few architects were conversant with the mechanics of bells and the recognition of the Association's services in this respect was an important step forward. Obviously many towers and belfries had been overlooked by these surveys in the past and in developing this theme Mr. Sanger dwelt at length on general maintenance in the belfry.

## 91 PEALS

The peal secretary, Mr. P. C. Wright, spoke of the 91 peals rung for the Association during the year. Of these, 30 were rung by visiting hands but he was delighted to be able to say that resident bands had recorded 10 methods rung for the Association for the first time. The leading peal ringers were Mr. E. Skipsey with 13 and Mr. D. J. Hunt and Mr. V. G. Roberts with 12 each. Mr. Hunt, who had conducted six of his peals, was also the leading conductor.

Mr. Wright asked members to be a little more discerning in their footnotes to peals. 'It was one thing for a village band to honour a local resident but quite another for a typical peal band to ring for something none of them knew anything about or troubled about afterwards. Trivial and badly judged reasons can only make a mockery of the whole thing and can easily bring peal ringing into disrepute.'

In closing his remarks Mr. Wright said how sorry he was to leave Somerset and thanked all concerned for the wonderful years he had spent there.

On the proposition of Mr. S. G. Coles, seconded by Mr. W. A. J. Knight, the reports were adopted en bloc.

The meeting then passed to the election of officers and the following were re-elected for the ensuing year: Master, The Rev. H. F. Warren; secretary, Mr. G. Salmon; treasurer, Mr. E. Naylor; Diocesan Adviser on the Care of Bells, Mr. H. J. Sanger; auditor, Mr. D. E. Lee. Mr. G. W. Massey, Parbury Bungalow, Vallis Road, Frome, was elected as peal secretary.

## LIFE MEMBERSHIP FOR MR. KNIGHT

The Master expressed his great pleasure in announcing the election of Mr. H. W. Knight, of Wington, as an honorary life member. Mr. Knight had been chairman and Ringing Master of the Chew Branch for many years and still served the Association in those capacities.

The Dunster Branch asked if the subscription of members who had reached retiring age and who had completed 25 years' membership of the Association could be waived. After discussion, in which members remarked on these senior ringers' likely reaction and the possible effect on the balance sheet, it was decided that this was a problem that could be tactfully solved by the local band.

Mr. Sanger, as convener of the Central Council Broadcasting Committee, was asked why the B.B.C. had apparently dropped from the 'Radio Times' almost all references to bells being rung for services. In replying, Mr. Sanger spoke of a change of policy by the B.B.C. in that they were concentrating more on religious discussions than on actual services. Also, many of the services that were being broadcast were relayed to the West from other regions.

## SILENT TOWERS

Mr. Brain commented on the number of towers that were silent on Sundays. He appreciated the work that the Association was doing in this field but wondered if the seeking out of these towers could be undertaken at Branch level. He considered that meetings could be held at towers that were not affiliated and also that periodical visits could be made by hands to ring for Sunday services. His remarks were generally endorsed by members and the Master asked all Branch secretaries to take note.

Mr. S. G. Coles proposed, and Mr. D. Burt seconded, that the general secretary be given an honorarium of £15. Mr. E. Chivers proposed that the Central Council representatives be given a grant of £20. This was seconded by Mr. G. Jeannes and both propositions were carried.

In conclusion, Mr. Coles thanked the Rev. F. Bennett for allowing the Association the use of his bells and church, the organist, the Master for the able way in which he had conducted the meeting, Mr. W. Middleton who had made all the local arrangements, and finally the incumbents and tower correspondents who had made so many rings of bells available.

## BELLS COMMEMORATE END OF A RAILWAY LINE

On April 4th the last passenger train left Melton Constable to run along the 10-mile line to Sheringham. The closure of this single-line branch has marked the end of Melton as a passenger station. Once the hub of the Midland and Great Northern Railway, with lines radiating in four directions and trains running to Yarmouth, Norwich, Derby, Leicester and Birmingham, Melton has become during the last ten years a vast 'ghost' station and the closure of the Sheringham line has ended its last passenger service.

This sad event was commemorated by a quarter peal rung in the waiting room on the last day of the service. The melodious sounds of Bob Doubles drew the attention of the local British Railways area supervisor during the last 120. After breathing down the necks of 3-4 and 5-6 for the last five minutes of the quarter he told the band that he had been attracted by the rhythmic pattern of the ringing and congratulated them on a fine effort. Two of the ringers had scored their first quarter peal (in a unique place, one would imagine!).

After ringing, the band boarded the last passenger train ever to leave Melton Constable, which pulled out to the popping of flash-bulbs, the banging of detonators and the sounds of Bob Doubles.

P. C.

## 50 YEARS AGO

'THE RINGING WORLD,' APRIL 17th, 1914

**Four Surprise Peals in a Day.**—When, some years ago, the St. Stephen's, Westminster, Society rang three Surprise peals in a day, it was thought that the last word had been said in what could be done in regard to the number of 5,000's that could be rung in one day. But that idea proved a fiction, and last Easter a Kentish hand rang four 5,000's of Minor in a day. It has been left, however, for a band of the Middlesex Association to score the first four peals in one day upon a ring of eight, and they did it in as complete a manner possible by ringing them in four different methods. (And four different towers.)

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

At the quarterly meeting of the Tonbridge District at Edenbridge on April 4th an effort to help struggling bands was arranged in that more experienced ringers would attend these local practices to give instruction and stimulate interest. The Rev. Stanley Evans, of Bredgar, conducted the service, at which the choir rendered an Easter anthem. Tea was given by the Edenbridge band, headed by Mr. E. C. Leigh. Plenty of opportunity for learners and beginners was a feature of the ringing.

M. A. L.



# STARTING THE BEGINNER—GRANDSIRE OR PLAIN BOB?

Dear Sir,—Mr. Frank Knight's letter about Grandsire v. Plain Bob raises a question which is something of an old chestnut, but it is one which deserves consideration and discussion. I must admit to being one of those who has frequently referred to Grandsire as a 'dead-end' method, and I firmly believe it to be so; the method has its points, especially musically (Grandsire Caters is generally accepted as producing some of the finest bell music there is) but its value as a method for introducing beginners to change ringing is infinitesimal.

Grandsire's 'backwards' dodging, at back stroke and hand stroke instead of at hand and back, is very confusing until it is fully understood; and once understood, the more normal system of dodging, as found in the vast majority of the more advanced methods, becomes extremely difficult to grasp. Grandsire Doubles can lead on to Triples, then possibly to Stedman and one or two other odd-bell methods, but otherwise it leads nowhere.

Contrast this with the system advocated in 'Ropesight'—surely one of the greatest text books on change ringing in its elementary stages ever written. (The system, incidentally, which the late Mr. E. H. Lewis used in training his pre-war band at Brasted.) It begins with plain hunting on three bells, then on four; on to Bob Minimus; then to plain hunting on five and Bob Doubles; finally on to plain hunting on six and Bob Minor. Once Bob Minor has been grasped, the way is open to go on to Kent and Oxford and more advanced Treble Bob methods, then on to Surplice methods.

Advancing to the higher numbers involves learning the more complicated ropesight involved, but the principle remains the same. Mrs. Lewis's Brasted band advanced very rapidly by this system, 720's in a wide variety of methods being rung regularly both on Sundays and practice nights; most of us eventually learned Grandsire, and later other purely odd-bell methods—though not in our own tower, as the method was never rung there—but not until we had had a sound grounding in a really progressive method of training.

I am well aware that many towers have one or two older ringers who can only ring the tenor as a covering bell (and wonderful service to their towers is rendered by these same older ringers) in addition to younger ringers anxious to progress. If Bob Doubles and Triples are rung instead of Grandsire, these younger ringers will then be in a position, when the time comes, to progress to Minor and Major methods, by the simple process of replacing the 'four blows behind' by dodging in 5-6 and 7-8 respectively.

It is a matter of regret that 'Ropesight' appears to be out of print at present as, in my humble opinion, the system which Snowden advocates is by far the most satisfactory and progressive system of training more young ringers for our towers.—Yours sincerely,

PETER N. BOND (Rev.)

Gillingham, Kent.

Mr. Harry King, of North Weald, Essex, also writes advocating starting with Bob Doubles. He writes that many years ago he told Mr. George Dent, of Potters Bar, of his difficulty in teaching change ringing by Grandsire Doubles. Mr. Dent said: 'Why not try Plain Bob? They will learn that quicker and in no time go on to Minor. If you teach Grandsire Doubles you have nowhere to go very easily from there.' Mr. King adds that he took the advice and in no time his learners were ringing Bob Minor.

Dear Sir,—Grandsire or Plain Bob for the beginner? That is a question that is often asked and I think that it stems in part from ringing text books which deal with these methods in separate chapters and so tend to obscure the close relationship that exists between Grandsire and Plain Bob. My answer is Grandsire and Plain Bob in the way that I describe below.

After teaching beginners to ring Plain Bob Minor 'inside,' for Grandsire Triples I simply tell them to use the same rules modified to accommodate another bell plain hunting after the treble. This delays the making of the internal place and the consequent dodging for one blow and so everything has to be pushed up one place higher. It must, of course, be pointed out that this postponement of dodging from the backstroke lead of the treble until the handstroke after the treble's lead means that the first dodge will occur immediately on starting in Grandsire. It also means that the cutting in is at handstroke on up dodges in Grandsire as against backstroke in Plain Bob and so on. The rules and their modifications are outlined below:

	Plain Bob Minor		Grandsire Triples
	2nd's	becomes	3rd's
Course	↓		↓
	3.4 down	becomes	4.5 down
Method	↓		↓
	5.6 down	becomes	6.7 down, etc
<b>Passing the Treble</b>			
Treble takes one from the lead	2nd's	becomes	3rd's
Pass treble in 2.3 up	3.4 up	becomes	4.5 up
Pass treble in 3.4 up	5.6 up	becomes	6.7 up, etc.

This is no mere theoretical relationship. It works in practice and I have had several ringers who have rung their first course of Grandsire Triples after this explanation without any prolonged study of the method—some had not even seen it. I see no reason why Grandsire Doubles should not be rung in a similar fashion by modifying the rules for Plain Bob Minimus.

I may add that this treatment may be applied to several Minor methods to give Triples methods with two hunts. St. Clement's and Oxford Bob are quite simple examples and, as plain courses of these may be rung with only five inside ringers, these are often useful for obtaining some variations when resources are limited.

Perhaps one day these thoughts and others may crystallise into a ringing text book which does not devote separate chapters to individual methods. I made a modest start recently for our latest ringing course at Lumley Castle and I hope to extend this. In the meanwhile I hope that Mr. Knight will continue his policy of initiating his recruits on Plain Bob and I hope that he will try out these suggestions to enable them to take in Grandsire as well. — Yours sincerely,

DENIS A. BAYLES.

Chester-le-Street.

## Ipswich Bell Foundry

Dear Sir,—Concerning my article dealing with Alfred Bowell and Ipswich Bell Foundry, one error occurred in which it was stated six bells at Maldon were tuned by Mr. F. Bowell. It should have read: The complete eight were tuned by this gentleman.—Yours, etc.,

March.

T. A. BEVIS.

## Grandsire not Dead-end

Dear Sir, — In reply to Mr. F. C. W. Knight's letter (page 220), may I, as a comparative beginner, voice my opinion?

My first experience of change ringing, other than plain hunting, was a plain course of Grandsire Doubles 'inside.' Having learned how to plain hunt, I could clearly understand what two of the other bells were doing. This made it much easier for me to see which bell to dodge with, for by eliminating the hunt bells there were only two others left.

When, however, I came to ring a plain course of Bob Doubles, I only knew what one other bell was doing, namely, the treble. This left me with three bells to choose from when I had to dodge, and may I say that in those early stages one more bell to watch makes more difference than some ringers would imagine.

Personally I do not agree with the people who consider Grandsire to be a dead-end method; for me, it has helped a lot to know

how to ring it for, although it may not have as much use in learning other methods as has Plain Bob, for me the fact that I learned it quickly encouraged me to go on and learn other methods. If it had been Plain Bob first I might have been easily discouraged through taking longer to learn how to ring it.

May I stress that this is only a personal opinion. I quite agree that other ringers would not have found Grandsire easier, for the same reason as I have given. — Yours faithfully,

ANNE M. SMITH.

Felpham, Bognor Regis.

## Tenor Ringing

Dear Sir,—I have long admired the style and ability of Mr. Harry Mann, having rung with him many times. Other men I can quote are: Fred Hodgson (Liversedge), Edward Earnshaw (Meltham), Noel Moxon (Cawthorne), Alfred Bennett and Joe Burgess (Friezland), Andrew Hoyle (Shelley), Arnold Rothery (Longwood) and many more.

All these men make music when they are ringing, without the necessity of moving their hands, or bobbing up and down like yo-yo's.

Ringling bells at the fastest speed possible, with the tenor halfway down, just creates a noisy tintinnabulation instead of music.

On many ringing trips to towers where closed lead ringing is unknown, the usual remark passed by the local people is 'We have never heard so much music come from these bells before.' How many of the other letter writers have heard this remark made of their ringing? Very few, I expect. — Yours faithfully,

ARTHUR FARRAND.

Mossley, Lancs.

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# Letters to the Editor

## Bell Ropes on Loan

Dear Sir.—I wonder if the writer whose bell ropes have failed to come home has asked for their return? So many people nowadays lend a thing and because it is not returned begin to think of all the difficult methods of recapture—such as going to the police or writing to the 'agony' column for advice or seeking legal advice. There is no evidence in his letter to suggest that he has even so much as written to the borrower or seen him personally about the ropes and my advice is, if he has not done this already—do it now!

If he has in fact done this but without success, then I suggest that he goes along to the place where his ropes are and simply retakes them for himself. Of course, he must be careful to get his own ropes and no one else's. Furthermore, he must not do any damage on the premises—no 'writing on the wall' or sabotage and the like, otherwise his entry on to the premises would be unlawful and he might be faced with an action for trespass.

If all this fails and the borrower still refuses to give up the ropes, then I suggest the writer sees a solicitor who will probably advise an action in either conversion or debt. Both the actions cover this situation where there has been a wrongful detention of another person's chattel. Whatever debt lies so does conversion but the results of the two actions are different. If the writer seeks merely the return of the ropes and not damages he must sue in debt alone, whereas if he sues in conversion a conversion and debt, the borrower would have the option to return the ropes or pay damages. Also if the value of the goods is decreasing, as would be the case with bell ropes which deteriorate with use, the writer would get damages, in debt, to the value of the goods as at the date of the trial, compared with conversion where damages would be assessed as at the date of the actual conversion, and in some cases the difference between the two can be quite substantial.

Let me say, however, I feel sure the writer's problem can be settled quite amicably without having to resort to legal remedies. Indeed, if the borrower has a conscience and reads the 'Ringing World,' then I feel sure the bell ropes will come home 'wagging their tail ends' behind them.—Yours faithfully,

MICHAEL R. MEADOWS.

Wentworth, Yorks.

## Highclere's Sunday Ringing

Dear Sir.—At the annual vestry meeting of St. Michael's Church, Highclere, the Rector asked how many churches in the country had bells rung for the early Communion service as well as matins and evensong.

He congratulated the team on keeping this up throughout the year as well as additional ringing on the first Sunday in the month for family service, making this four services rung for on this day.

Are there any other churches that ring for three services each Sunday? If so the Highclere band would like to know of them.—Yours sincerely,

G. K. DODD.

Woolton Hill, near Newbury.

## The Brotherhood of Ringers

Dear Sir.—Mr. Uphill on page 236 writes from Isleworth, Middlesex. Possibly he composed his letter on a bus passing through Isleworth, but I have it on good authority that he lives in Putney, and he certainly has no connection with the Isleworth band.

As for the content of his letter I only ask him to practise what he preaches. For words expressed by him in my hearing recently showed anything but a feeling for 'the brotherhood of ringers.'—Yours sincerely,

C. H. ROGERS.

Isleworth, Middx.

## Methods H and M

### Incidence of Falseness

Dear Sir.—We should like to apologise for the delay in publishing Volume II of the Collection of Right Place Surprise Major methods, dealing with the Incidence of Falseness. The delay has been due to a number of setbacks, in particular the fact that the computer has been out of order for some time. However, a limited edition has been made and is available now at 12/6 per copy (post free), but for those who have already paid, no further remittance will be necessary.

Maurice Hodgson's approach has been used throughout the treatment of falseness, and the work includes the following sections:

- (1) Falseness of the methods in Volume I, together with lead incidence.
- (2) A complete table of Maurice Hodgson Ratios, each one identified with its falseness group and lead incidence.
- (3) A detailed analysis and tables for the falseness of spliced methods.

Section 2 makes it possible to find the falseness of any Surprise or Treble Bob method, right or wrong place, together with its lead incidence, in little more than the time it takes to write down the first half lead, and Section 3 makes the same thing possible for any number of any type of Treble Bob or Surprise methods spliced.—Yours sincerely,

A. S. HUDSON, J. W. McCLENAHAN.  
Christ's College, Cambridge.

## College Youths and Washington

Dear Sir.—Whilst I have no doubt that the ten ringers chosen to visit Washington will form quite an adequate band and that they will leave this country with the very best wishes from the whole of the Exercise, I am also not convinced they form a truly representative band of English ringers because, as previous correspondents have indicated, there are certain obvious omissions. Harry Parkes must feel the most honoured of the band by reason of the special request from Washington Cathedral.

May I express the hope that all the ringing during the trip will be regarded or represented as having been done by the bellringers from Great Britain, as distinct from having been done by members of any particular Society, because it would be well to remember that the appeal for money was directed to every ringer in this country and it resulted in a general response.—Yours faithfully, T. J. LOCK.

North Mimms.

## Mr. Amos Corrects!

Dear Sir.—I cannot let the letter of Mr. David Walklate (page 236) pass unchallenged.

St. Simon's with a New Antelope single is not Doveridge but St. Jude; St. Martin's with a New Antelope single is not Elton but St. Laurence; St. Nicholas with a New Antelope single is not Winster but St. Mary.

Chelmont should read St. Crispin; Heath should read St. Cecelia; Shirland should read St. Austell; Pleasley should read St. James.

All these and others besides have been rung by members of the Leicester Diocesan Guild as well as the Peterborough Guild and we do not intend altering them.—Yours sincerely,

Northampton.

P. AMOS.

NOTE.—The Editor takes exception to being classed as a 'toffee nosed bureaucrat,' and confines the writer's observations to corrections in view of accuracy.—Fd.

## First to Ring for Royal Birth

Dear Sir.—We were interested to read the letter of Mr. Hughes, of Welford-on-Avon. Had the Vicar been at home, Mapledurham bells would have been ringing in as little as three minutes from the announcement as five boys were together in the house next to the vicarage. Unfortunately it was an hour before the Vicar returned to find the boys waiting outside his door. The bells were rung at once.—Yours faithfully,

MAPLEDURHAM RINGERS.  
Reading, Berks.

## MORE BELFRY GOSSIP

Mr. E. Ward, of Sandon, Herts. has found a new rope in a cupboard, date 1898. Is this the oldest rope in existence?

Opportunity will be taken at the meeting of the Devonshire Guild at Bampton Speke on May 9th to rededicate the bells, which were recently rehung.

The first peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major for the Southern District of the Surrey Association was rung at Redhill on April 4th.

Mr. P. I. Chapman is giving up the Mastership of the Peterborough Guild next month, after six years' service.

Mr. Joe E. Roast announces that he has withdrawn the peal of Fobbing Surprise Major rung at Fobbing on January 18th, 1964, as the composition is false. He sends his apologies to the band concerned.

May we remind 'a Beverley Minster ringer' and others who write under noms-de-plume, that we cannot entertain their letters, especially when they contain a personal criticism, without the name and address of the sender (not necessarily for publication).

Mr. E. Hotine writes expressing thanks to Mr. Robert E. Lester for arranging a most successful and enjoyable outing on Easter Monday. Morning ringing, the better, was at Watlington. Terrington St. Clement and Long Sutton. Afterwards came Gedney, Whaplode, the four Deepings and Croyland.

In honour of Mr. George W. Pipe, of Ipswich, being selected in the band to ring for the dedication of the Gloria in Excelsis Cathedral, Washington, the East Anglian News took shots of ringing at St. Mary-le-Tower Church. These will appear on the B.B.C. television programme at 6.10 p.m. on Thursday, April 30th.

Scene outside Holy Trinity, West Hill, Wadsworth, on April 4th, at midday. A gathering of about 30 complaining people. Reason? First peal on the bells since the Coronation peal in 1953. Fortunately there were no bricks through the windows, and everybody got out alive. A pleasant surprise?

Cuckfield, Sussex, ringers were very heartened to receive the news that a quarter peal had been rung at Kent School, Connecticut, U.S.A. The conductor was David Kirkpatrick, the son of Dr. John Kirkpatrick, who visited the Cuckfield tower last summer and also four years previously. Change ringing was originally introduced to Kent School by Isaac Attwaer, who learned to ring at Cuckfield.

Yet another School Society has rung a peal, with one of Plain Bob Minor by the Ashton-under-Lyne Grammar School Society. The peal was conducted by Sixth Former Frederick Shalleross, who rang in the extent of Major at Loughborough last year, and included in the band was a member of the staff, Mr. J. P. Partington, who is ringing secretary of the Lancashire Association. It was Margaret Humphrey's first attempt for a peal and she rang a tricky bell very well.

Sixteen-year-old Miss Julie A. V. Caligari, of St. Margaret's, Wellington, Herefordshire, has good reason for remembering her Easter holidays. On March 31st she rang the treble at her first attempt to Bob Minor, scoring her first peal. Two days later she attempted Bob Minor 'inside' but was not successful. From April 3rd to 5th she attended the course at Hereford Training College, and on April 9th she scored her first peal of Bob Minor 'inside.' Julie's enthusiasm, which is shared by the remaining young band at St. Margaret's, is making her one of the 'up and coming youngsters' of the Hereford Diocesan Guild.

In honour of Mr. Bernard F. L. Groves' 21st birthday a quarter peal of Stedman Caters was rung at Maidstone on April 16th. Following the quarter and the arrival of more local ringers, Mr. L. Mannerling (captain) paid a very warm tribute to Bernard, for the valuable service he had given to local ringing during the past four years. He congratulated him on his 21st and, with great pleasure, presented him with a wrist watch, from the All Saints' band and a few of his peal ringing friends. Bernard, taken by surprise, thanked the company, very much for their wishes and he accepted the gift with great pleasure.



## OBITUARY

Dear Sir,—A certain 'gentleman' from St. Dunstan's, Canterbury, in the visitors' book at All Saints, Biddenden, has described our 23 cwt. tenor as 'lousy' and flat. Could it be that the gentleman is tone-deaf or perhaps better qualified to judge than other eminent ringers who have the opposite opinion? —  
Yours sincerely, H. G. PAYNE,  
Tower Captain.



## Derby Offer Better Terms to Non-residents

FOR the second year running there was a record attendance of over 80 when the 18th annual meeting of the Derby Diocesan Association was held in Derby on April 4th. Prior to the annual service in St. Peter's, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. C. A. Shaw), ringing took place at St. Peter's, St. Alkmund's and the Cathedral in addition to Ripley and Horsley, which were visited by a coach party from the Chesterfield District.

After an excellent tea in the Church Hall, the business meeting commenced with the Association's president, the Provost of Derby (the Very Rev. R. A. Beddoes) in the chair. In his opening remarks he congratulated the Association on another year of progress and also made special mention of the large number of young people present, which augured well for the future.

Only one apology for absence was received—from Mr. A. Laughton, who was attending a ringing course at Hereford. A record membership of almost 400—379 ringing and 17 honorary members—was reported by the general secretary, Mr. B. P. Morris, who was also pleased to state that Sunday service ringing now took place at most of the churches in the Diocese which possess bells in ringing order. Losses through death included the following members: Messrs. L. G. Palmer (Staveley), N. Hotchin (Darley Dale) and J. F. George (Ilkeston). Amongst the national figures tributes were also paid to Messrs. E. H. Lewis and D. Ogden.

### PEAL RINGING HEALTHY

The report of the peal secretary (Mr. D. R. Carlisle) showed the total of 61 peals rung during 1963 to be quite a healthy one, particularly as this total had not been augmented by any peal-touring hands. Ian Holland, of Dronfield, was the leading peal ringer with a total of 22 peals and was also the leading conductor jointly with Brian Woodruffe, who received special congratulations for participating in the extent of Major.

New records for the Association included the first of London Royal and the 16-Spliced Surprise Major, in addition to which a large number of 10-bell peals had been scored and the total of seven peals of Triples was the highest in any one year for the Association. Fifteen members had scored their first peal, with the conducting having been shared by 19, with one first as conductor.

In presenting the balance sheet the general treasurer, Mr. J. C. Woolley, was pleased to report that the previous year's loss of £16 had been converted into a profit of £1. However, he warned members that whereas expenses had increased by over £10, ringing subscriptions, which were the only guaranteed source of income, had only increased by just over £3. Although this deficit had been adequately covered by the voluntary donations, which had exceeded £7, Mr. Woolley urged members to keep supporting this new rule with regard to subscriptions as he could not envisage any substantial reduction in expenses.

A balance of over £200 was reported by the treasurer of the Bell Repair Fund (Mr. J. B. Stennitt), who was also pleased to report that the number of Parochial Church Councils con-

tributing to the Fund had increased from 58 to 72 during 1963. Technical help and advice had been given to Ashover, Etwall, Long Eaton, Stanton-in-the-Peak, Ripley, Denby, St. Alkmund's (Derby), Hathersage and Bakewell, grants having been made so far to Boleover (£20), St. Alkmund's (£4) and Long Eaton (£1).

### NON-RESIDENT MEMBERS' REDUCED SUBSCRIPTIONS

After the various reports and balance sheet had been adopted, with thanks to all concerned, the peal secretary (Mr. Carlisle) put forward his proposition to reduce the subscriptions of non-resident life members. The cost, he explained, of printing peals in the annual report was approximately one shilling for each name and that was the peal fee of the Association. Then each year a non-resident member rings a peal for the Association, there is an additional expense, as his name, address and peal total are published also.

This further cost, however, is on average adequately covered by a life subscription of 2/6, and as a result they were being subsidised by visiting peal ringers, a fact which he deplored. Agreeing with Mr. Carlisle, the Provost said he thought it would be a step in the right direction, as he felt sure the Exercise existed far more on courtesy and encouragement than on subscriptions. On being put to the vote the motion was carried by a substantial majority.

After some discussion a grant of £5 made to the Washington National Cathedral Appeal by the committee was approved. Judith Allan, Robert Reid and Alan Scape (Duffield) were elected new members and a collection for the Bell Repair Fund realised £4 3s.

Officers re-elected en bloc were: President, the Very Rev. R. A. Beddoes (Provost of Derby); secretary, Mr. B. P. Morris, Gable End, 14, Greenway, Ashbourne; treasurer, Mr. J. C. Woolley; peal secretary, Mr. D. R. Carlisle; secretary Bell Repair Fund, Mr. G. A. Halls; treasurer, Mr. J. B. Stennitt. Votes of thanks concluded the meeting.

Next quarterly meeting: July 4th, Fairfield (subject to permission). M. P. P.

### GUILD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

The Lord Abbot of Buckfast was invited to become an honorary member of the Mid-Devon Branch at a well-attended quarterly meeting at Teignmouth on April 4th.

Mrs. D. E. Hood, chairman, voiced the thanks of the meeting to the Vicar (the Rev. D. E. Hood) for conducting the service, and the ladies who provided a bountiful tea for a company of 45. Mr. E. M. Atkins, general secretary, was welcomed after his long illness and it was stated that he was retiring from office and that Mr. D. J. Roberts, branch secretary, had been nominated. Ringing was supervised by Mr. W. Simmonds.

Next meeting: July 25th, Teign Valley, with Christow as headquarters (subject to permission). Autumn meeting: Buckfast Abbey, September 19th, with a service in the Abbey if possible.

## OUTING

### TWERTON-ON-AVON

Joined by friends from Corston, Batheaston and Keynsham, Twerton ringers had a day's outing in Wiltshire on March 7th, ringing at nine towers.

There was a lesson from the first tower—Sutton Veny—where it was found that three bells were up and the other three down. 'Be sure and check each bell' should be the first motto when entering a belfry. The five bells at Norton Bavant, a ground-floor ring, are seldom rung, but the frame and fittings are in good order.

At Heytesbury we were met by the tower captain. The bells are a lovely ring (tenor 20 cwt.). Boyton's is a marvellous church, in excellent condition, and its history was told by the Rector. The bells, a lovely little five, are rung from the church porch. They go well, but are chilly to ring, especially with the wind in the north. The tower captain and Rector met us at Codford St. Peter—pleasant bells.

A hearse had to be moved from the ringing chamber at Wylve before the five bells could be rung. Credit is due to the 13-year-olds who ring these bells.

From here some of the party preferred a long tea break while the others visited Stonehenge. After tea Shrewton was visited, where six bells tapped along at a merry pace, and finally Chitterne, where the five bells were restored by Mears and Stainbank in 1962, and one would have to go a long way to find better.

It is sad to think that not many of these bells are rung on a Sunday, but the idea of inviting the incumbent along to join in the prayers worked well, and from those we met they seemed thrilled to have been asked.

A. F. L.

### SIMON LANGTON SCHOOL

The newly-formed band at the Simon Langton School, Canterbury, had its first outing on March 21st, when nine towers in the Romney Marsh area were scheduled for a ring. At New Romney, Doubles with 7 6 8 behind were rung for an otherwise bell-less wedding. The glorious eight at Lydd were much admired but the ropes at Appledore were like steel hawsers and did not improve the ringing. The highlight of the day was the heavy eight at Tenterden, and special thanks are accorded to Miss Relf and the local company. David Cawley and Karen Desch are thanked for organising the outing.

### THE LADIES' GUILD

#### Eastern District

A paid-up membership of 42, with an average attendance of 16 at each of the three meetings, was reported at the annual general meeting of the Eastern District, held at Liss, on April 11th. The officers were re-elected but there were two committee changes.

In the evening ringing continued at Palgrave and ranged from rounds to Stedman and Yorkshire.

Next meeting, Kirby-le-Soken, June 27th (provisional).

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## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD A.G.M.

THE attendance at the 18th annual general meeting of the Southwell Diocesan Guild held at the Minster, Southwell, on April 4th, was again up to the high standard set last year, there being over 110 ringers and friends at the business meeting, nearly all of whom were residential members of the Guild.

During the afternoon and evening the 12 bells were put to good use, the Ringing Masters being hard pressed catering for such a large gathering. This and the fact that the majority of ringers were ringing on 12 bells for the first time probably accounted for the rather low standard of ringing.

Sung Evensong, led by the choir of St. Saviour's, Arkwright Street, Nottingham, was well attended, the lessons being read by Canon R. Leeper and the Provost, the Very Rev. H. C. L. Heywood, both vice-presidents of the Guild.

The business meeting, following a most enjoyable tea prepared and served by members and friends of the Newark District, was presided over by the Guild chairman, Mr. F. W. Midwinter.

### LOSSES BY DEATH

A minute's silence was observed for ten members who had passed away during the past year, namely, Messrs. J. Baker (Rampton), D. A. Piercy (Ordsall), L. Bramble (Oxton), G. Simpson (Cotgrave), C. H. Chapman (Newark), Canon R. F. Wilkinson (West Bridgford), W. W. Dobb (Selston), the Rev. R. Lyne (South Anston), A. Hill (Shireoaks) and F. Pickard (Southwell).

The annual report having been in circulation for a fortnight, it was resolved to take all the reports as read, and these were confirmed without comment.

The Peal Committee reported that 67 peals had been rung during the year, an increase of 23, this being the best year for peals since 1958, when 74 were rung. Conductors numbered 19, a decrease of one, H. Poyner leading the list with 12, from F. G. Hooper 11 and W. L. Exton 10. There were three first peals as conductor, namely, C. R. Daft, H. K. Harrison and E. Jenkinson.

### FIRST PEALERS—UNIQUE

First pealers numbered 28, the highest in the Guild's history, which together with the 15 last year and 16 the year before, should augur well for the future of the Guild. The list of first pealers included one father and daughter (T. Harrison and Miss J. Harrison), two fathers and sons (J. Dawson and G. A. Dawson, C. H. Pritchett and D. H. Pritchett) and two cousins (C. A. Parsons and D. D. Parsons). This occurrence in one year in ringing circles for one Guild is probably unique.

First peals on the bells have been scored at Gedling and Worksop (first since recasting) and the peal of Cambridge Minor at Nuthall was the first peal by all the band, who deserve to be heartily congratulated.

Five first performances for the Guild were recorded, namely, Lincolnshire, New Durham, Wembley, Zelah Surprise and Burslem Delight Major.

Ninety-five quarter peals were rung during the year and reported in 'The Ringing World,' the great majority of them were rung for Sunday service, Holme-Pierrepont heading the list with 25.

### MEMBERSHIP 460

The honorary general secretary (Mr. W. L. Exton) in his report once again welcomed new towers and ringers, but, despite these, membership was down by eight to 460, this being counteracted to some extent by a reduction of three in the number of towers at which there are no members of the Guild from 28 to 25.

No restorations or augmentations had taken place during the year but a report by the local representative on the Towers and Belfry Committee of the Central Council had been supplied to the respective Vicars of two of the towers, All Saints', Coddington, and St. John the Baptist, Beeston, all members and vice-presidents being reminded that the Guild would on request examine their bells,

frames and fittings, and supply a report on their conditions.

The five District secretaries' annual reports contained details of Sunday service ringing throughout their Districts. From these it would appear that over 35 per cent. of the towers rang out on Sundays for at least one service. While this was certainly an improvement, there was still a long way to go before all the bells in the towers were fully manned Sunday by Sunday.

The honorary treasurer's report and accounts revealed a small profit of £1 13s. 5d. on the year's working. The Bell Repair Fund stood at £106 13s. 3d., an increase of £7 8s. 10d., a donation of £20 having been made towards the cost of the rehanging of East Bridgford bells. The collection for the Bell Repair Fund taken at the meeting realised £3 11s. 8d.

All the retiring officers were thanked for their services and re-elected to serve for a further year.

### AMENDMENT TO RULES

Two proposed amendments to the rules were then considered. The first, proposed by Mr. H. Poyner and seconded by the Rev. M. C. C. Melville, was to amend the word 'bell' to read 'ringer' in Rule 13. The proposal in effect was to reduce the peal fee payable by handbell ringers from 6d. per bell to 6d. per ringer. This was carried by 35 votes to 20.

The second concerned the place of the annual meeting, and the proposal to amend 'in the Districts in rotation with Southwell Minster every alternate year. The time and place to be fixed at the annual meeting' to read 'at Southwell Minster or at a place to be chosen at the previous annual meeting,' submitted by Mr. J. D. Clarke and seconded by Mr. J. W. Raithby, was defeated by a majority of 46 to 19.

Arising from the defeat of the above proposition, the place for the annual meeting in 1965 was chosen as East Retford, by a majority of 36 to 33, from Bingham.

Under the heading 'any other business,' Mr. J. W. Raithby submitted a proposition that the Crawford Cup Contest be discontinued. Mrs. C. W. Reed and Mr. J. D. Clarke speaking in favour. This was opposed by Mr. F. Bradley and Mr. H. T. Rooke, and the proposition was defeated, there being only 10 votes in favour of the motion.

The proposed new rules for the Crawford Cup competition, as amended by the committee, were read to the meeting and agreed with one small amendment. These rules will come into use from January 1st, 1965.

A comprehensive vote of thanks to the Provost for the use of the bells, and the ladies for an excellent tea, was moved by Mr. J. D. Clarke and carried unanimously. W. L. E.

## SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

The April meeting of the Sheffield and District Society was held at Thrybergh and Wath. Ringing began at 2.30 p.m. at Thrybergh, and a good standard in a wide range of Minor methods was maintained. At 3.30 p.m. members moved to Wath, where ringing continued until tea at 5.30 p.m. During the meeting Mr. F. Brunt proposed that the good wishes of the meeting go with Mr. N. Chaddock on his visit to Washington. This was seconded and passed with applause. J. C.

## BARNSELY DISTRICT SOCIETY

Nineteen towers were represented at the Society's meeting at Sprothorough, near Doncaster, on April 12th. The Vicar, who presided at the business meeting, mentioned the association of the parish with Douglas Bader, the legless pilot, and how the parishioners had built their own church hall. Miss Christine Saville, of Cawthorne, said goodbye to the Society. She thanked them for the enjoyable times she had had with the members and had a special word of appreciation for Mr. Noel F. Moxon, who taught her to ring.

Next meeting: May 9th, outing to North-West Yorkshire (five towers).

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

### Frome Branch

Norton St. Philip, halfway between Frome and Bath, was the venue for the first quarterly meeting for 1964 of the Frome Branch on April 11th. An excellent touch of Stedman Doubles was rung for the service conducted by the Rector of Norton.

An excellent tea was enjoyed by 48 members and friends. The business meeting, under the chairmanship of the Rev. A. G. Durston, first stood in silence in respect of Mr. Jack Hillard, of Mells, who passed away on Good Friday, having been a member of the Association since 1908.

The chairman gave a special welcome to the general secretary, Mr. Gwilym Salmon. The meeting noted with some concern that there were no new names put forward for membership. The secretary, Mr. E. Chivers, complimented Mr. G. W. Massey, of Frome, on his being elected peal secretary for the Association.

Mr. D. Robertson proposed that some form of recognition of membership be made available for display in towers affiliated to the Association. After a discussion it was agreed to approach the general committee for their views. A vote was then taken to decide the location of next year's annual general meeting, on Easter Monday, in the Frome Branch. The majority chose Midsomer Norton, subject to catering facilities.

The vote of thanks, proposed by Mr. F. Savage, included Mr. R. Phelps for local arrangements.

Ringling on handbells and in the tower, which included London Surprise Minor, followed.

D. T. H. R.

## HEREFORD RINGING COURSE

The second week-end course in bell ringing was held at the Training College, Hereford, from April 3rd to 5th and was a success.

The comfortable and spacious accommodation was ideally suited for the purpose, and the excellence of the food fostered the happy spirit which prevailed.

The students, some of whom had attended the first course, received a warm welcome from the director of the course, Mr. W. F. Moreton. Assisting him were Messrs. F. Sharpe, C. F. Wratten and F. T. Blagrove, and the main subjects dealt with were Spliced Minor and Spliced Doubles. For the first time on a course, Mr. F. Sharpe lectured and held practical sessions in tune ringing, an innovation which proved very popular.

Six towers were used for the practical sessions, and students who desired to do so were able to ring at All Saints' and the Cathedral, Hereford.

Sunday afternoon arrived all too soon with many of the students looking forward to the third course to be held in 1965.

G. T. C.

## HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

Fifty-three members attended a special meeting of the Hereford Diocesan Guild at Clun on April 11th.

A service in St. George's Church was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. R. G. Benson), who welcomed the Guild to Clun and spoke of the great loss the Clun District, and also the Guild, had sustained by the death of Mr. E. H. Meredith, of Clunbury, on February 5th. He had been District Ringing Master since 1946, and secretary and treasurer since 1961.

At the meeting which followed, other tributes were paid to the work the late Ringing Master had performed in the District.

The purpose of the meeting was to elect new District officers, and Mr. J. Croxton, of Clunbury, although not at present resident in the District, volunteered to accept office as secretary and treasurer, and as there were no nominations for Ringing Master he agreed to do what he could until he returned to reside in Clunbury, when he would be able to combine the duties.

Ringling continued until 8.30 p.m.





St. Peter's Church, Machynlleth, Monts, had two of its ringers, Mr. Harold Duckett and Miss Barbara Holt, married recently. Another ringer, Miss Pamela Holt, was chief bridesmaid to her sister. After their honeymoon in Italy they were handed a gift from their fellow ringers by Mr. Charles Davies, fore-

man and ringer at this tower for nearly 55 years.

Those who took part in the ringing on this happy occasion were Messrs. C. Davies, H. L. Fearn, D. J. Fearn, Aled Evans, Wyn Jones, Rev. R. H. Williams, R. Williams, T. Blayney, Jennifer Jones, Margaret Bonner, Maureen Arnold and Sylvia Holt.

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Quarter Peals.—Gosfield 3/—, Lichfield, Mavesyn Ridware & Brampton 5/—, Astley 5/—, Chiddingfold 2/6, Southwark 2/—, Weston, Bath 4/—, Ruardean 4/—, Long Sutton 3/—, Barrington 3/—, Wareham 2/6, Salehurst 4/—, Publow 2/—, Wroxham 2/6, Kingweston 2/6, Martock 3/—, Eccleston 3/—, Grafton Regis 2/6, Enfield 2/6, Salford Priors 2/—, Solihull 4/—, Bitterne Park 4/—, Sarratt 2/6, Wimborne 3/6, Milland 2/6, Great Cheverell 2/6, Kirk Ella 3/—, Streatham 2/—, Cannock 3/—, Ottery St. Mary 2/—, Yeovil 4/—, Devizes 2/6, Swindon 5/—, Stourbridge 4/—, Elstow (4) 12/—, Odell 3/—, Redhill 3/—, Nuffield 3/—, Easton Neston 7/6, Shepton Beauchamp 3/—, Alton 3/6, Godshill 2/6, Cottingham 5/—, York 3/6, Eastchurch 3/—, Wookey 3/—, Cardigan 2/—, Lympne 2/6, Melton Constable 2/6, Chalfont St. Peter 2/6, Royston 2/6, Edmonton 2/6, Edith Weston 5/—, Howden 4/—, Werrington 2/—, Westham 3/—, Tickhill 4/—, Brighton 3/—, Bromham 3/—, Stratton 2/—, Nailsea 3/—, Canford Magna 2/6, Tonbridge 2/6, Bournemouth 4/—, St. Clement Danes, London, 5/—, Amersham 5/—, Wareham 2/6, Lympne 2/6, Bromham 2/6, Holloway 3/—, Earl Shilton 4/—, Leyland (2) 6/—, Brindle 3/—, Putney 3/—, Aylesford 5/—, Dover 4/—, Little Missenden 6/—.

### A DEVON OUTING

A small number of members of the Devon Guild held a half-day excursion on April 15th when, despite the inclement weather, an enjoyable time was spent. Those taking part were Miss R. J. Marks, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Bould, the Rev. W. P. Dowling, Messrs. A. L. Bennett, K. E. Fursdon, W. H. Marks and H. F. Myers.

Ringling started on two good ground-floor rings—Diptford and South Brent. Rattery bells proved to be a ground-floor five with long draught in good going order. A pleasant 40 minutes was spent at Dean Prior, the last tower. After an excellent tea in a Buckfastleigh cafe the evening was spent in musical and social intercourse, the visitors expressing their appreciation to Mr. A. Bennett for the excellent arrangements made.

A. L. B.

### N.W. SUFFOLK RINGERS

The N.W. Suffolk Ringers met on April 11th at St. Mary's Church, Rougham, visitors from Terrington, Wisbech, Ipswich, Finchingfield, Stratford St. Mary and Henley joining them in ringing a great variety of methods. These included Plain Bob, Grandsire, Little Bob, Double Court, Kent, Oxford, Cambridge, Hull, Ipswich, London and Stedman.

The service was fully choral and the Rev. G. E. Jarrold gave an interesting address on the meaning of the word 'Campanology.' He and the choir joined the ringers for tea in the school, which was served by Mrs. Nice and Mrs. Rose.

At a short meeting one new member was proposed and two evening meetings suggested—May 9th at Exning and June 13th at Mildenhall. The quarterly meeting will be held in July at Horringer, with a picnic tea. Thanks were accorded the Rector and choir.

### THE INTRUDER

Sons have I none, but daughters two.  
The twain are junior ringers.  
Your journal (by them left about)  
Thus meets my eyes and fingers.

When tidying up (if time allows)  
I tip-toe through its pages  
(Which mental act of 'trespass' my  
Non-craftsman soul enrages!).

Alone in your strange world of print,  
Of bells silenced on paper,  
I am bewildered, awed, afraid,  
Through this 'intruding' caper.

'Royals' I see, at 'Majors' stare  
(Value nor meaning feeling);  
Pick 'Minors' up, or put down 'bobs'  
Like someone bent on stealing.

My mind trips over 'leads' and things,  
Frenziedly 'pulls' and 'touches.'  
It 'hunts' for this and 'dodges' that  
As though in demon clutches.

'Peals' of melodic laughter mock  
My stealthy lay-exploring,  
With 'changes' and 'surprises' crammed,  
Could such a 'world' be boring?

Muffled or loud, its vibrant tongue  
Belongs a 'race' of people  
Who to themselves dwell in the heights  
That are each parish steeple.

Sadly the language of the chimes  
Defeats my brain's slow powers;  
It is the 'shorthand' of the ropes,  
The 'purl, plain' of the towers.

I 'Alice' in 'Belfryland,'  
Less rabbit-hole approaches.  
Atop a spiral rise the realm  
My curious gaze encroaches!

Still, ignoramus though I am,  
I catch, if distantly,  
The radiated lure and charm  
Of campanology.

So weekly now, your temptress voice,  
In lines and columns singing,  
Calls me to swap my mundane mop  
For the Enchanted Isle of Ringing!

EVERLYN MASON (Mrs.)

Chilvers Coton,  
Nuneaton, Warwickshire.

### GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

#### Chertsey District

A fine April afternoon brought more than 50 ringers to Old Woking for the Chertsey District meeting on April 11th. Ringing on the pleasant eight ranged from rounds to Cambridge under the direction of Mr. A. D. Leach, Assistant Ringing Master.

The Guild Office was conducted by the curate, the Rev. J. Pantin.

Following an excellent tea served by the local ringers, the curate took the chair for a brief business meeting. The District secretary announced that the Cathedral Bell Fund was was over £100.

Further ringing from rounds to Yorkshire concluded the day's programme.

R. C.

#### OXFORD DISTRICT

Ringers from St. Nicholas', Marston, and St. Andrew's, Headington, were joined by friends from Oxford and Radley for an outing to Northampton and district on April 11th.

At Lower Weedon some of the party had their first experience of ringing on eight. At Cogenhoe Mr. Moore, although blind, joined in ringing Kent. The steel ladder at Brafield resulted in some ladies not ringing. Other towers visited were Nether Heyford, Dallington, Boughton, Moulton and Little Houghton.

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# QUARTER PEALS

**AMERSHAM, BUCKS.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Lesley Knowles (first quarter) 1, R. Snack (first as cond.) 2, P. Penrose (first 'inside') 3, S. Lilly 4, B. Edwards 5, N. Cox (first quarter) 6. For Evensong. Also on April 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Lesley Knowles 1, S. Lilly 2, R. Snack (cond.) 3, Frances Proctor 4, H. Oglesby 5, N. Cox 6. A birthday compliment to R. Snack and S. Lilly. Also on April 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Lesley Knowles 1, Frances Proctor 2, P. Penrose 3, A. Fortin (first as cond.) 4, R. Snack 5, N. Cox 6. A birthday compliment to Rosemary Viney. First quarter by the Sunday service band.

**BLACKBURN, LANCs.**—On March 22nd, at the Cathedral, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: A. Tomlinson 1, E. Halsall 2, J. T. Parsons 3, P. S. Woods 4, F. Longworth 5, K. A. Earnshaw 6, G. Haworth 7, G. Wignall 8, B. A. Tomlinson 9, M. J. Halliwell (cond.) 10. Rung to mark the birth of a son to Gary and Margery Wignall.

**BOURNEMOUTH, HANTS.**—At St. John's, Surrey Road, on April 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. R. Boyce 1, H. A. Mitchell 2, R. W. Price (first quarter) 3, W. Shute 4, F. Price (cond.) 5, J. R. Price (first quarter) 6, H. H. Thomas (Emmanuel, Plymouth) 7, R. Boyce 8. For Evensong. In honour of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. Miller (April 13th). Mr. Miller is a ringer and sidesman at St. John's.

**BRIGHTON.**—At St. Nicholas' Church, on April 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. B. Minton (first quarter) 1, Peggy Taylor 2, B. J. Stone (cond.) 3, V. Sheppard 4, A. W. Bond 5, R. Minton 6.

**BROMHAM, BEDS.**—On April 9th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. W. Bridges (cond.) 1, F. W. Rivett 2, K. A. Rivett 3, J. W. Thorp 4, D. A. Hammond 5, M. J. Marriott 6, R. L. Piron 7, R. Chapman 8. First of Stedman 5 and 6. A 21st birthday compliment to Anthony Bridges, of Broadstairs, Kent.

**BROMHAM, WILTS.**—On March 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. C. Hillier 1, Pamela A. Osborne 2, S. J. Cottle 3, K. B. Osborne 4, F. S. Starford (cond.) 5, G. Pluckrose 6. A compliment to Miss G. Powney and Mr. C. Hunter on the occasion of their wedding.

**CALGARY, CANADA.**—On Easter Day, 1,264 Grandsire Doubles: E. R. Tavender (first quarter) 1, Mrs. P. A. Simpson 2, Miss J. Midgley 3, W. E. Court 4, J. M. Simpson (cond.) 5. For Evensong.

**CANFORD MAGNA, DORSET.**—On April 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Barbara A. Furness 1, Sandra M. Pitman (11) 2, Joanna J. Wigg (first 'inside') 3, Mary E. Elmes 4, Judith A. Robertson (cond.) 5, Janet A. Fawcett 6. Believed to be the first-ever ladies' quarter peal in the Wimborne Branch of the Salisbury Guild.

**CHOBHAM, SURREY.**—On April 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss A. Jupp 1, Miss S. Buchanan 2, D. G. Blows 3, Mrs. P. R. Collins 4, C. Hill 5, J. W. Priest 6, Roy Collins (cond.) 7, Ron Collins 8. For Evensong. First of Triples by a local band. Also on April 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. J. Hudson 1, J. Martin 2, C. Hill 3, Mrs. P. R. Collins 4, D. G. Blows 5, J. W. Priest 6, Roy Collins (cond.) 7, Ron Collins 8. For Parish Communion, to mark the visit of the presiding Bishop of Holy Catholic Church of Japan, Bishop Yashiro, who preached at this service.

**EARL SHILTON, LEICS.**—On April 11th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Lilian Bowley 1, C. M. Sturgess 2, Valerie Watts 3, J. W. Lawrence 4, G. A. Newton 5, E. E. Pickering 6, H. B. Bowley (cond.) 7, E. V. Chesterton 8. First of Stedman 2 and 3. Rung in memoriam E. Charles Turner.

**EDITH WESTON, RUTLAND.**—On April 8th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: E. A. Jacques 1, Mrs. M. Stimson 2, A. J. Stimson 3, M. T. Stimson 4, R. H. Cook 5, A. Twyman (first as cond.) 6. For the Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin.

**EDMONTON, MIDDx.**—On April 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Jacky Hedges 1, Janet Cave (first on working bell) 2, Beryl Platt 3, Teresa Langdon 4, D. Langdon 5, M. W. Coleman 6, T. G. Hawkins (cond.) 7, E. Beauchamp 8.

**FAREHAM, HANTS.**—On March 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Stone 1, F. Mitchell 2, R. K. Hawkins 3, Gillian Boyd 4, S. A. Scott 5, J. Stevenson 6, A. H. Sturgess (cond.) 7, J. A. G. Ball 8. For Evensong.

**FILTON, BRISTOL.**—On April 5th, 1,440 Doubles (seven methods): Miss R. Sheldon 1, D. C. Haslum 2, Miss M. Haslum 3, D. S. Voss 4, A. Howard (cond.) 5, M. Buckler 6.

**HAXEY, YORKS.**—On March 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Cook (first quarter) 1, C. Cook 2, J. F. Underwood 3, E. Cooper 4, P. W. Cooper (cond.) 5, J. Cutforth 6.

**HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS.**—On March 8th, 720 York Surprise, 540 Plain Bob: H. Levens 1, C. L. Bell 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, A. J. Davey 4, D. F. Murfet 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For Mothering Sunday children's service. Also on March 15th, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: A. J. Davey 1, D. F. Murfet 2, C. L. Bell 3, F. R. Nicholls 4, P. E. Wells 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service. Also on Easter Day, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: D. F. Murfet 1, A. J. Davey 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, P. Woolven 4, P. E. Wells 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service.

**HOLLOWAY, LONDON.**—At St. Mary Magdalene, on April 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. A. Parsons 1, Miss D. A. Deverell 2, K. C. Begrie 3, A. J. Hampton 4, R. Newman 5, R. H. Begrie (cond.) 6, C. W. Meyar 7, F. G. Begrie 8. For Evensong and 150th anniversary of the church.

**HOLYWELL, HUNTS.**—On March 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Cooper 1, Mrs. Jacqueline Wells 2, R. F. Baker (cond.) 3, Maureen Allen 4, P. E. Wells 5, J. F. W. Allen 6. Rung on the occasion of the marriage of David Horace Ash and Rosemary Stukins.

**HOWDEN, YORKS.**—On April 4th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: J. Rank 1, J. I. Booth 2, D. P. B. Miles 3, G. K. Smith 4, H. C. Palmer 5, I. N. Goldthorpe 6, K. Goldthorpe 7, F. C. Hobson (cond.) 8. First Bob Major 4 and 5. Rung by past and present members of Hymers College, Hull, to celebrate the marriage of Mr. G. O. Slater (Old Hymarian) and Miss M. P. Bourne.

**KENT, CONNECTICUT, U.S.A.**—On Jan. 22nd, at Kent School, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: John Garfield 1, Glenn Kee 2, David Robinson 3, Christopher Smith 4, David Kirkpatrick (cond.) 5, Jonathan Freuh 6. Rung on the back six. Second quarter on bells.

**KINGWESTON, SOMERSET.**—On Easter Sunday, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: T. Bryant 1, Mrs. L. Crocker 2, R. Parker 3, A. Callow 4, F. J. White (cond.) 5. For Evensong.

**KIRK ELLA, E. YORKS.**—On March 29th, 1,260 Cambridge Surprise Minor: A. B. Cooper 1, G. Smith 2, I. N. Goldthorpe 3, A. J. Baxter (first of Surprise) 4, K. Goldthorpe (cond.) 5, I. G. Campbell 6. For Evensong.

**LANCHESTER, CO. DURHAM.**—On Easter Day, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss L. Moore 1, H. P. Thompson 2, W. Lowes (first quarter) 3, J. Thomson 4, K. Ather (cond.) 5, A. Walker 6. For Evensong.

**LICHFIELD, STAFFS.**—At the Cathedral, on March 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. R. Weston (first quarter) 1, Lucy Smith 2, J. B. Webb 3, F. A. Sedgwick 4, F. T. Hayle 5, C. M. Smith 6, E. Malin (cond.) 7, C. W. Bowen 8. For Matins.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes', on April 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: D. Hewett 1, P. Chapman 2, Mrs. E. M. Bagworth 3, Miss J. Spreadbury (first of Royal) 4, D. Ellsdon 5, Miss M. Moore 6, J. Duggan (first on ten) 7, R. C. Stevens (first of Royal) 8, A. E. M. Bagworth 9, N. S. Bagworth (cond.) 10. For Evensong.

**LONG SUTTON, SOMERSET.**—On March 21st, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): T. Hill 1, R. Dean 2, J. Cornelius 3, E. T. P. Field (cond.) 4, Rev. C. J. B. Marshall 5, A. J. Lewis 6. A fifth wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. D. Solley.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On April 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Neilson 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, Myrtle Cook 3, H. P. Yates 4, G. Neilson 5, R. P. Brotherton (cond.) 6. For Matins. Also on April 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Neilson 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, Rachel Sinden 3, H. P. Yates 4, Myrtle Cook 5, R. P. Brotherton (cond.) 6. For Matins.

**MAVESYN RIDWARE, STAFFS.**—On March 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. T. Bowen 1, L. Monk 2, W. R. Weston (first in six bells) 3, C. T. Collins 4, C. M. Smith 5, Lucy Smith (first of Minor as cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**MARTOCK, SOMERSET.**—On March 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: T. Bryant 1, Mrs. L. Crocker 2, Miss J. Crocker 3, F. J. White (cond.) 4, A. Dyer 5, R. Parker 6.

**MELTON CONSTABLE, NORFOLK.**—On April 4th, at the Railway Station waiting room, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles (on handbells) four callings: W. M. Young 1, R. A. J. Bower 2, P. Cattermole (cond.) 3—4, P. N. Mackley (first 'inside') 5—6. First quarter 1 and 2. Rung in memoriam the Melton Constable to Sheringham branch line of the old M. and G.N. Railway, closed this day. Rung while waiting for the last passenger train ever to leave Melton.

**MILLAND, SUSSEX.**—On March 30th, 1,260 Minor (St. Clement's, Plain Bob): Susan Wood (first of Minor) 1, K. Sansom 2, Lesley Read (first of St. Clement's) 3, R. J. Corke 4, B. R. Walton 5, D. M. Hughes (cond.) 6.

**MONKS KIRBY, WARWICKS.**—On March 31st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Margaret A. Wilson 1, R. A. Vickers 2, J. Linnell 3, R. W. Smith 4, G. F. Roome 5, A. A. Paul 6, C. E. Truman (cond.) 7, G. C. Paul 8. First of Stedman Triples 4, 6 and 8.

**NAILSEA, SOMERSET.**—On April 7th, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse St. Bartholomew, April Day, Grandsire and Plain Bob): Miss M. Vince (first quarter attempt) 1, T. Phillips 2, P. Blake 3, L. Derrick 4, C. Kortright (cond.) 5, H. Hardwidge 6.

**NORTHAM, SUSSEX.**—On March 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Double: Wendy Hughes 1, Mrs. G. Reece 2, Helen Barnes (first 'inside') 3, R. Barnes 4, W. Button (cond.) 5, R. Chapman 6. For Palm Sunday. Also on Easter Day, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Wendy Hughes 1, Sylvia Rowley 2, I. Cunningham 3, R. Barnes 4, W. Button (cond.) 5, Helen Barnes 6. And 1,260 Grandsire and Bob Doubles: I. Cunningham 1, Mrs. G. Reece 2, C. Barnes (first 'inside') 3, R. Barnes 4, W. Button (cond.) 5, R. Chapman 6.

**NORTON-LE-MOORS, STAFFS.**—On March 22nd, 1,280 Superlative Surprise Major: D. Bennett 1, P. Phillips 2, Barbara Johnson 3, J. A. Jack 4, Annette Gratton 5, O. Williams 6, J. M. Jack 7, J. L. Shenton (cond.) 8.

**NUTFIELD, SURREY.**—On April 5th, 1,380 Grandsire Doubles: G. Kriple (first quarter, first attempt) 1, Nancy Kempell 2, K. G. Game (cond.) 3, W. Dunn 4, A. T. Shelton 5, S. Smith 6. For Choral Communion service.

**ODELL, BEDS.**—On April 4th, 1,260 Single Oxford Bob Minor: Miss M. R. Field 1, Miss M. F. Pettitt 2, Miss K. A. Rivett 3, F. W. Rivett 4, R. F. Law 5, M. J. Marriott (cond.) 6. Rung after a peal attempt had been lost.

**OTTERY ST. MARY, DEVON.**—On Easter Sunday, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss L. Glover 1, I. G. Hine 2, C. J. Turner (cond.) 3, J. Arbury 4, F. Sheppard 5, R. T. G. Wood 6, E. J. Manley 7, C. W. Glanville 8. Also on April 4th, 1,260 Court Bob Triples: C. J. Turner 1, B. Downie 2, Mrs. Y. Woodley 3, K. Clarke 4, C. C. Turner 5, E. Summers 6, C. C. Deem (cond.) 7, J. Arbury 8. First in the method for all, for the Guild and in the county.

**PAINSWICK, GLOS.**—On Easter Day, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: W. Newman 1, C. A. Wraaten (cond.) 2, Mrs. M. A. Wraaten 3, C. Burridge 4, P. Baker 5, I. Goulter 6, W. A. Farmer 7, V. Griffin 8. For Evensong.

**PUBLOW, SOMERSET.**—On April 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Benedict P. Wilde 1, R. W. Treasure 2, F. C. Mogford (cond.) 3, C. Allward 4, L. B. Coles 5, L. Batton 6. In respected memory of Mrs. M. A. Jewell (aged 92), a good friend of the ringers in her younger days.

**REDHILL, SURREY.**—On April 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Betty Sagers 1, D. Atfield 2, G. Charlton 3, H. Coomber (first in method) 4, C. H. Cook 5, K. G. Game (cond.) 6.

**ROYSTON, YORKS.**—On April 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. J. Fox (cond.) 1, Barbara E. M. Fox (first quarter 'inside') 2, Janice M. Smith 3, Sheila A. Chinnery 4, F. Mitchell 5, N. D. J. Webb 6. For Evensong.

**RUARDEAN, GLOS.**—On March 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. K. Penn 1, E. D. Wilson 2, P. Wells (first quarter) 3, K. Tyler (first quarter) 4, J. Turney 5, R. Chew (first quarter) 6, E. W. Penn (cond.) 7, H. Meek 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Richard Vaughan, sidesman, organist and churchwarden.

**RUSHALL, STAFFS.**—On April 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: D. Willett (first quarter) 1, Miss C. J. Turner 2, K. Williams 3, M. G. Turner 4, D. J. Bates (first as cond.) 5. First of Doubles 2 and 5.

**ST. ALBANS, HERTS.**—At St. Stephen's Church, on March 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: K. J. Walpole 1, Verna Rix 2, Ann Woodhouse 3, Audrey Alexander (cond.) 4, A. H. Smith 5, A. C. D. Mayes 6. For the youth pilgrimage to the shrine of St. Alban.

**ST. GLUVIAS, CORNWALL.**—On Easter Day, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Jennifer Green 1, Frances M. Rickard 2, Valerie Perkin 3, R. C. Kippin (cond.) 4, T. L. Hodge 5, J. D. Green 6. For Evensong.

**SALEHURST, SUSSEX.**—On Easter Day, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (with 7, 6, 8 covering): Gillian Coman 1, Helen Dadsell (first 'inside') 2, Eileen Coman 3, Angela Rudd 4, T. W. Edwards (cond.) 5, G. H. Muggidge 6, A. Smith 7, E. J. Hayward (first quarter) 8. 23th quarter for conductor. For evening service.



**SALFORD PRIORS, WARWICKS.**—On March 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. Chiswell 1, Miss J. Chiswell 2, D. Chiswell 3, C. R. Tandy (cond.) 4, M. C. Homans 5, E. Ludlow 6. For Easteride.

**SARRATT, HERTS.**—On Feb. 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob (St. Simon's and St. Martin's Doubles): C. Alban 1, D. Wilson 2, M. Petts (cond.) 3, J. Chilton 4, G. Rees 5. Rung to congratulate ringers of 4 and 5 on their engagement. Also on Palm Sunday, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: D. Wilson 1, K. Cowan 2, M. Petts (cond.) 3, D. Goodman 4, C. Alban 5. Also a farewell to K. Cowan, who has now 'circled the tower' to quarter peals. Also on Easter Day, 1,260 Doubles (ten methods): C. J. Harpley 1, Miss J. N. E. Chilton 2, Miss M. E. Petts 3, C. J. Alban 4, D. J. Goodman (cond.) 5. First in ten methods for all. For Family Communion.

**SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP, SOMERSET.**—On April 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Cornelius (cond.) 1, H. E. Turner 2, S. A. Turner 3, F. Welch 4, K. Welch 5, P. England (first quarter) 6. A 90th birthday compliment to Mr. A. Pond, oldest resident, and a welcome to the Rev. P. R. Shepherd.

**SLOUGH, BUCKS.**—On April 5th, 1,280 Oxford Treble Bob Major: A. D. Rivers 1, F. R. Scott 2, Pamela M. Jervis 3, D. P. Hilling (cond.) 4, G. R. Shedden 5, W. D. Ward 6, W. Birmingham 7, J. K. Ward 8. Also 1,282 Southwell Surprise Royal: F. R. Scott 1, D. P. Hilling 2, W. D. Ward 3, Pamela M. Jervis 4, F. C. Price 5, M. Hatchett 6, S. M. Bailey 7, G. R. Shedden 8, W. Birmingham 9, J. K. Ward (cond.) 10. Rung before and after Evensong at which the Rt. Rev. Gordon Savage, former Bishop of Buckingham, preached his farewell sermon before leaving to become Lord Bishop of Southwell.

**SOLIHULL, WARWICKS.**—On April 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. Leeson 1, T. J. Warner (cond.) 2, Muriel Reay 3, V. W. King 4, G. E. Fearn 5, G. Palmer 6, J. Anderson 7, A. Crabtree 8. To celebrate the elevation of Solihull to County Borough status on this day.

**SOMERBY, LEICS.**—On March 19th, 1,260 Minor (720 Kent T.B., 540 Plain Bob): I. Bell 1, M. T. Stimson 2, Mrs. M. Stimson 3, A. J. Stimson 4, R. C. Tyler 5, R. H. Cook (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled to the respected memory of the Rev. A. W. Harrison, vicar of Somerby.

## QUARTER PEALS

**STOTEOLD, BEDS.**—On Easter Day, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Christine Rimmer 1, P. Mehew 2, Ann Woodhouse (first 'inside') 3, Verna Rix 4, Audrey Alexander 5, D. R. Saunderson (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**STRATTON, CORNWALL.**—On March 29th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. Lavers 1, F. Sangwin 2, H. Stacey 3, E. Nunn 4, C. Sangwin 5, J. W. T. Hibbert 6, B. R. White (cond.) 7, J. W. Sangwin 8.

**SPROTBOROUGH, YORKS.**—On April 4th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: R. Sanderson 1, E. Short 2, G. Graham 3, E. Dalinawater 4, Miss F. Chester 5, H. Wagstaff 6, P. W. Brett 7, F. J. Jackson (cond.) 8.

**TICKHILL, YORKS.**—On March 31st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: F. J. Jackson 1, Miss F. Chester 2, H. Bell 3, I. Ridghill 4, P. W. Brett 5, H. Wagstaff 6, Miss G. Brown 7, J. E. Cook (cond.) 8. A farewell to Gael Brown.

**TONBRIDGE, KENT.**—On April 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Yvonne Hills (first quarter) 1, Hilary Swallow 2, C. W. Hancock 3, J. Carpenter 4, L. Pope (cond.) 5, W. Rogers 6. For Evensong.

**TWYNING, GLOS.**—On March 16th, 1,260 Doubles (Dedworth, April Day, Plain Bob and Grandsire): M. Hawkes (cond.) 1, Marilyn Jackson 2, Anna Sadowska 3, F. Hawkes 4, Rev. P. Brett 5, A. Halling 6.

**WARSOP, NOTTS.**—On Easter Day, 1,320 Bourne Surprise Minor: J. T. Rooke 1, D. H. Rooke 2, F. Flint 3, G. Challans 4, F. Cooke 5, H. T. Rooke (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also on April 5th, 1,320 Willesden Delight Minor: R. Lucas 1, M. Foster 2, F. Flint 3, D. H. Rooke (cond.) 4, F. Cooke 5, H. T. Rooke 6. For Evensong, also a birthday compliment to the conductor.

**WAREHAM, DORSET.**—On April 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. W. Elmes 1, Mary E. Elmes 2, C. M. Heawood 3, Judith A. Robertson (first of Triples as cond.) 4, J. W. Blackwood 5, R. W. Young 6, R. G. W. Robertson 7, V. J. Baker 8. First of Triples 'inside' 2 and 6. For Evensong.

**WENTWORTH, YORKS.**—On Good Friday, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: D. Hunton (first of Minor) 1, D. E. Archer 2, A. King 3, M. A. Beaumont 4, M. King 5, M. R. Meadows (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled prior to the united service of devotion. Also on Easter Day, 1,440 Doubles (12 methods): T. P. King 1, M. R. Meadows (cond.) 2, A. King 3, D. E. Archer 4, M. King 5, A. Beaumont 6.

**WERRINGTON, DEVON.**—On March 18th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: D. R. Bould 1, H. F. Myers 2, W. C. Boucher 3, Margaret A. Bould 4, W. A. Theobald (cond.) 5, H. Stacey 6, T. N. J. Bailey 7, W. H. Marks 8.

**WESTHAM, SUSSEX.**—On March 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Valerie Binsted 1, R. J. Fuller (cond.) 2, K. S. Fuller 3, L. F. Tapp 4, D. R. Fuller 5, W. A. Binsted 6. Rung for the birth of the Queen's third son.

**WOOKEY, SOMERSET.**—On April 6th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss S. A. Farley (first quarter) 1, Miss S. Hallett 2, G. Salmon 3, V. Roberts (cond.) 4, E. Coombes 5, R. Bowditch 6. First in two methods 2, 5 and 6.

**WORLE, SOMERSET.**—On March 2nd, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): S. Lewis 1, Miss J. Fellows (St. Albans) 2, Miss J. Legg (cond.) 3, J. Lambard 4, J. Coombs 5, G. Kingdon 6.

**WROXHAM, NORFOLK.**—On April 3rd, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: P. J. A. Bower 1, A. J. Harrison 2, Mrs. Muriel Savory 3, D. F. J. Bird 4, P. Catermole (cond.) 5, F. Boyce 6. First quarter 1, 2 and 4. A compliment to Miss M. Nunn (ringer of 3) and Mr. P. Savory, married on March 14th. All members of local band (except cond.).

**YEOVIL, SOMERSET.**—On Easter Sunday, at the Church of St. John the Baptist, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Cooper (first quarter) 1, Mrs. M. Rooks 2, T. E. Marks 3, R. Moores 4, D. S. Beaufooy 5, G. Gaylard 6, T. J. Setter (cond.) 7, C. Wyatt 8. For Evensong.

**YORK.**—At St. Stephen's, Acomb, on March 16th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: 1. Johnson 1, F. Horner (first 'inside') 2, M. King (cond.) 3, Miss V. Johnson (first quarter) 4, R. Aldington 5, A. Dew (first quarter) 6. Ringers of 2, 4 and 6 are first Acomb Sunday Service band to ring a quarter on their own bells.

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Believed to be the first  
quarter on the bells was that  
rung on Easter Day at Christ  
Church, Calgary, Canada. This was made  
possible by the visit of William E. Court, of  
Liverpool, who is spending a year as a pro-  
fessor at the University of Saskatchewan. As  
Saskatoon is some 400 miles from Calgary,  
writes J. M. Simpson, this is probably a record  
distance travelled for a quarter peal of Grand-  
sire Doubles.

Chertsey District ringers were happy to have  
Dave Munday with them once more at Old  
Woking.

Four members of the Fuller family took  
part in a farewell peal at Eastbourne. They  
are going to live at Poole, Dorset.

A new record in handbell ringing was created  
at Swindon on April 11th with 64 Treble Bob  
methods. It was conducted by Anthony R.  
Peake.

Miss Jennifer Bunyan, former secretary of  
the Watford District, has been gazetted into  
the W.R.A.C. and is now posted to a signal  
squadron at Salisbury. Her friends wish her  
every happiness in her new career.

A striking competition is to be held in  
conjunction with the Mid-Sussex Arts Festival  
at St. John's Church, Burgess Hill, next Satur-  
day at 2.30 p.m. Mr. A. P. Cannon will be  
the judge.

St. George's Day (April 23rd) was the 40th  
anniversary of the last peal rung at the Im-  
perial Institute, London (Stedman Caters),  
writes Mr. Walter Ayre. Of the band, the  
only survivors are Mr. Arthur E. Sharman, of  
Dunstable, and himself.

Chobham ringers were honoured to receive  
a visit from Bishop Yashiro, Presiding Bishop  
of the Japanese Church, during ringing for  
Evensong on April 12th. He thanked them for  
ringing a quarter peal to welcome him to the  
parish in the morning.

Mr. Edward Barnett, who recently con-  
tributed his reminiscences of listening to  
much of the then longest peal of Double Nor-  
wich, 15,072 at Erith in April, 1899, took part  
in a commemorative peal on the 65th anniver-  
sary. His own first peal was rung the fol-  
lowing month.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

Truro Diocesan Guild  
scored their first 12-bell peal  
on April 11th with a peal of  
Grandsire Cinques at Buckfast Abbey, there  
being no rings of 12 in Cornwall. Six of the  
band, all of whom were ringing their first on  
12, are resident members of the Guild, and  
of the remainder two lived and rang in Corn-  
wall before returning 'up country.' To ring  
this peal, at the first attempt, the 12 travelled  
between them nearly 1,900 miles.

The ringer of the third in the peal at Mac-  
clesfield on February 29th (see page 226) was  
Robert J. Warrilow, and not as submitted.

Mr. Norman Smith writes regarding his com-  
position of 5,184 Spliced Surprise Major (page  
248) that the bob in the first course should be  
a Wrong and not a Before.

Mr. M. J. Uphill wishes to announce that  
he still lives in Putney, London, and not  
Isleworth, Middlesex (see page 236, 'Ringing  
World'). He has no idea how this mistake  
was made.

Miss Gillian Neal Smith will receive the con-  
gratulations of many friends on her qualifying  
as a doctor from the Medical School at Charing  
Cross Hospital. Her marriage to Mr. Robin  
Leale will take place at St. Matthias' Church,  
Richmond, Surrey, on May 30th at 2 p.m. and  
friends will be welcome at the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur I. N. Rance took part  
in their silver wedding anniversary peal at  
Sandhurst, Berks, on April 13th. The peal for  
their wedding at Binfield was conducted by Mr.  
Tony Price, and it was his son, Frank C., who  
conducted the 25th anniversary peal.

Ever since the ladies of the West Dorset  
Branch of the Salisbury Guild rang a quarter  
peal in June, 1962, the present secretary of  
the Wimborne Branch has been itching to  
'have a go' too. Due to the scarcity of  
the fairer sex in the area difficulty has been  
experienced in gathering a band. At last,  
and very appropriately, the quarter was rung  
at Canford Magna on the day after Lady  
Day, in the presence of the two Ringing  
Masters.

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## TWELVE BELL PEALS

CIRENCESTER, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 37 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

### A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 26 cwt. in D.

C. KENNETH LEWIS .. .. Treble	ARTHUR G. MASON .. .. 7
BERYL C. CAWSE .. .. 2	ERNEST W. RAWSON .. .. 8
CAROL FERNLEY .. .. 3	FRANK OSBALDISTON .. .. 9
EILEEN M. FEARN .. .. 4	RUSSELL G. MORRIS .. .. 10
HAROLD C. LONYON .. .. 5	A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. .. 11
JOHN WORTH .. .. 6	EDWARD JENKINS .. .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

First peal of Surprise Maximus on the bells.

An 83rd birthday compliment to Mr. F. J. Lewis, leader of the local band.

LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., April 6, 1964, in 3 Hours and 33 Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

### A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 25 cwt.

HERRICK B. BOWLEY .. .. Treble	BRIAN S. CHAPMAN .. .. 7
PETER J. STANFORTH .. .. 2	SHIRLEY BURTON .. .. 8
JOHN J. JELLEY .. .. 3	RUSSELL S. MORRIS .. .. 9
ALFRED BALLARD .. .. 4	P.C. E. ALAN JACQUES .. .. 10
ALAN E. HARTLEY .. .. 5	WILLIAM J. ROOT .. .. 11
DEREK TRANTER .. .. 6	P.C. JOHN A. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Composed by F. H. DEXTER.

Conducted by HERRICK B. BOWLEY.

Rung half-muffled to the honoured memory of Ernest Charles Turner, a former president of the National Guild of Police Ringers, formerly vice-president of the Leicester Diocesan Guild and a member of the Leicester Cathedral Society of Ringers.

BUCKFAST, DEVON.

THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE BENEDICTINE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN.

### A PEAL OF 5081 GRANDSIRE CINQUES

Tenor 41 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lb. in C.

CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. Treble	†ARTHUR F. BURLEY .. .. 7
*RONALD D. SHORT .. .. 2	†ALAN CARVETH .. .. 8
*MARGARET A. BOULD .. .. 3	†REV. ARTHUR S. ROBERTS .. .. 9
†DOUGLAS BURNETT .. .. 4	*D. ROY BOULD .. .. 10
†V. MARY MATTHEWS .. .. 5	*ANTHONY J. DAVIDSON .. .. 11
IVOR GOULTER .. .. 6	*ROBERT A. SOUTHWOOD .. .. Tenor

Composed by ALBERT M. TYLER.

Conducted by CYRIL A. WRATTEN.

\* First peal of Cinques. † First on 12 bells. First on 12 as conductor. First 12-bell peal for the Guild.

Ringers of 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11 and tenor have now rung Grandsire from Doubles to Cinques.

## TEN BELL PEALS

LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., Feb. 24, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

### A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 25 cwt. 20 lb.

J. BARRY PICKUP .. .. Treble	RUSSELL S. MORRIS .. .. 6
*PATRICIA A. MORRIS .. .. 2	SHIRLEY BURTON .. .. 7
JOHN M. JELLEY .. .. 3	BRIAN S. CHAPMAN .. .. 8
*DEREK J. TRANTER .. .. 4	WILLIAM J. ROOT .. .. 9
ALAN E. HARTLEY .. .. 5	E. ALAN JACQUES .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN M. JELLEY.

\* First peal of Cambridge Royal.

LONDON, W.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY ABBOTS, KENSINGTON.

### A PEAL OF 5067 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 32 cwt. in G sharp.

JOHN PHILLIPS .. .. Treble	A. FRANK UDALL .. .. 6
DAVID A. H. BENNETT .. .. 2	JOHN CHILCOTT .. .. 7
JOHN H. LOTT .. .. 3	MICHAEL P. MORETON .. .. 8
WILLIAM T. COOK .. .. 4	JOHN H. CRAMPION .. .. 9
JAMES G. A. PRIOR .. .. 5	TREVOR N. G. BAILEY .. .. Tenor

Composed by DAVID E. PARSONS (No. 5). Conducted by JOHN CHILCOTT.

Rung in honour of the birth of a son to H.R.H. Princess Alexandra and Mr. Angus Ogilvy.

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes.

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

### A PEAL OF 5040 BELGRAVE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb.

*DEREK YATES .. .. Treble	JOHN WORTH .. .. 6
†HAROLD LONYON .. .. 2	EDWARD JENKINS .. .. 7
BASIL JONES .. .. 3	C. KENNETH LEWIS .. .. 8
*ALAN MCFALL .. .. 4	ALAN A. POTTS .. .. 9
ROBERT J. WARRILLOW .. .. 5	ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

Conducted by BASIL JONES.

\* First peal of Surprise Royal. † First of Belgrave Surprise Royal.

WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

### A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 26½ cwt. in D.

HOWARD HOWELL .. .. Treble	DAVID J. WILKES .. .. 6
*ANTHONY HOWELL .. .. 2	PETER J. BARKER .. .. 7
BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. 3	KEITH WILLIAMS .. .. 8
E. MARION KEY .. .. 4	JAMES S. EASTWOOD .. .. 9
DOROTHY GARDNER .. .. 5	†ROY COLEMAN .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

\* First peal on ten bells. † First of Grandsire Caters.

Rung for the 100th anniversary of the 10,079 changes of Grandsire Caters rung at this tower on March 29th, 1864, by the local band.

WORSLEY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

### A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 24 cwt.

MARYL R. CROSTHWAITE .. Treble	GEOFFREY FOTHERGILL .. 6
CYRIL CROSTHWAITE .. .. 2	PHILIP J. CROSTHWAITE .. 7
JOHN P. PARTINGTON .. .. 3	†RICHARD J. PARKER .. .. 8
*RICHARD STARKEY .. .. 4	J. BARRY PICKUP .. .. 9
BERNARD MOSS .. .. 5	JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. K. LEWIS.

Conducted by CYRIL CROSTHWAITE.

\* First peal on ten bells. † First in the method.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.

LONDON COUNTY ASSN. &amp; N. SOUTHWARK DIO. GUILD.

On Wed., April 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

### A PEAL OF 5040 SYON COURT BOB ROYAL

Tenor 16½ cwt.

Traditional.		
*MICHAEL P. THOMAS .. Treble	MICHAEL HATCHETT .. .. 6	
†PATRICIA ROGERS .. .. 2	*CHARLES T. RICHARDS .. 7	
*HADLEY HUNTER .. .. 3	*CHRISTOPHER H. ROGERS .. 8	
MRS. OLIVE L. ROGERS .. 4	WILFRID G. WILSON .. .. 9	
PETER N. FELTON .. .. 5	HAROLD W. ROGERS .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by WILFRID G. WILSON.

\* First peal in the method. † First 'inside' in the method.

Rung in honour of the birth of a third son to H.M. the Queen and H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh.

GRANTHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 42 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WULFRAM.

### A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 32 cwt. 1 qr. 11 lb. in C sharp.

*ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. Treble	BASIL JONES .. .. 6
DENIS A. FRITH .. .. 2	CYRIL R. BURRELL .. .. 7
JOHN WORTH .. .. 3	A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. .. 8
ROBERT J. WARRILLOW .. 4	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. 9
C. KENNETH LEWIS .. .. 5	EDWARD JENKINS .. .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM PYE.

Conducted by BRIAN HARRIS.

\* 100th peal of Royal.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE UNIVERSITIES' ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE,

### A PEAL OF 5067 STEDMAN CATERS

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

IAN C. MAYCOCK (Bristol) .. Treble	PETER S. BENNETT (Liverpool) .. 6
TUDOR P. EDWARDS (Bristol) .. 2	ROYSTON BLACKLER (Bristol) .. 7
DEREK M. SAWYER (Bristol) .. 3	ARTHUR R. WRIGHT (Bristol) .. 8
MICHAEL T. SPRACKLING (Br.) .. 4	FRANK D. MACK (Bristol) .. 9
PATRICK J. BIRD (Bristol) .. 5	BRIAN J. WYLDE (Bristol) .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES F. GROVES.

Conducted by TUDOR P. EDWARDS.



## EIGHT BELL PEALS

EDENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Mon., March 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.  
A PEAL OF 5184 XAVIER SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt.			
DEREK J. JONES . . . . .	<i>Treble</i>	ALAN G. PAYNE . . . . .	5
EDWIN T. CHAPMAN . . . . .	2	CYRIL R. BURRELL . . . . .	6
ROGER D. BAILEY . . . . .	3	RALMOND H. DAW . . . . .	7
DENIS WOODS . . . . .	4	BRIAN HARRIS . . . . .	<i>Tenor</i>
Composed by JOHN R. MAYNE.		Conducted by BRIAN HARRIS.	
First peal in the method by all.			

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS.  
A PEAL OF 5280 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F.			
C. KENNETH LEWIS .. .. Treble	ROBERT J. WARRILOW .. .. 5		
EDWARD JENKINS .. .. 2	A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. .. 6		
EILEEN M. FEARN .. .. 3	BASIL JONES .. .. 7		
CAROL FERNLEY .. .. 4	ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. Tenor		
Composed by E. A. BARNETT.		Conducted by BASIL JONES.	

YORKTOWN, SURREY.  
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.  
A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in F.			
*DEREK J. COX .. ..	Treble	JOHN R. FAITHFULL .. ..	5
CAROLYN VIBERT .. ..	2	†G. KENNETH WILLIAMSON .. ..	6
BERYL R. SIMPSON .. ..	3	PETER J. JOYCE .. ..	7
†PETER G. SHERWOOD .. ..	4	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. ..	Tenor
Composed by DENNIS KNOX.		Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.	
* First peal on eight. † First in the method.			

AYLESTONE, LEICESTER.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Fri., March 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lb.			
Washbrook's variation of Brooks' .. .. Treble	PATRICIA A. MORRIS .. .. 5		
RUSSELL S. MORRIS .. .. 2	*DAVID STAPLES .. .. 6		
JOHN M. JELLEY .. .. 3	A. JAMES POYNOR .. .. 7		
*MONICA M. MOORE .. .. 4	TERRY I. ROPER .. .. Tenor		
SANDRA E. CHESTERTON .. .. 4			
Conducted by A. JAMES POYNOR.			
* First peal of Stedman. First of Triples as conductor. The conductor's 300th peal.			
Rung fully-muffled on Good Friday.			

HASTINGS, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES Tenor 12½ cwt. in F.			
J. J. PARKER'S Six-Part (No. 2) .. .. Treble	STANLEY F. BUCKLAND .. .. 5		
C. ALFRED LEVETT .. .. 2	R. IAN VAUGHAN .. .. 6		
*ANN HARRIS .. .. 3	ANTONY JACKSON .. .. 7		
JANET M. OLIVER .. .. 4	†ANTONY J. PARCELL .. .. Tenor		
EDWARD F. P. BRYANT .. .. 4			
Conducted by EDWARD F. P. BRYANT.			
* First peal in the method. † First peal.			
Rung for the Feast of Easter.			

LUTON, BEDFORDSHIRE.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Wed., April 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR			
Tenor 25 cwt. 24 lb. in D.			
AVRIL IVIN .. .. .	Treble	C. EDWARD JEFFRIES .. .. .	5
ARTHUR DAY .. .. .	2	ROBIN A. HODGSON .. .. .	6
RONALD J. SHARP .. .. .	3	ALFRED E. RUSHTON .. .. .	7
JAMES G. NEWMAN .. .. .	4	STEPHEN IVIN .. .. .	Tenor
Composed by HENRY DAINS.		Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.	
Rung to mark the occasion of Luton becoming a county borough.			

BUSHEY, HERTFORDSHIRE.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Thurs., April 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES-THE-APOSTLE.

A PEAL OF 5088 WATFORD SURPRISE MAJOR			
Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb. in F sharp.			
H. GEORGE HART	.. .. Treble	*S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN	5
ELSIE K. HART	.. .. 2	*VERNON GREEN	6
*ROGER BALDWIN	.. .. 3	*GERALD PENNEY	7
*ROBERT N. HARRIS	.. .. 4	CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY	Tenor
Composed by W. E. CRITCHLEY.		Conducted by ROGER BALDWIN.	
* First peal in the method.			
A compliment to the parents of the ringer of the fifth on their 35th wedding anniversary.			

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.  
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Thurs., April 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.  
A PEAL OF 5088 FRAMLEY SURPRISE MAJOR  
Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. Treble DENNIS KNOX .. .. 5

JOAN BRESFORD .. .. 2 THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 6

CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 3 JOHN HILL .. .. 7

ALICK CUTLER .. .. 4 JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

First peal in the method (Corrigan, No. 361).

ERITH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Fri., April 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.  
A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR			
Tenor 15 cwt.			
EDWIN BARNETT .. .. Treble	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY .. ..	5	
*JEAN F. BARNETT .. .. 2	COLIN A. TESTER .. ..	6	
OLIVE D. TESTER .. .. 3	*JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD .. ..	7	
EDWIN A. BARNETT .. .. 4	FREDERICK J. CULLUM .. ..		Tenor
Composed by G. LINDOFF.		Conducted by FREDK. J. CULLUM.	
* First peal of Double Norwich.			
Rung on the 65th anniversary of 15,072 in the same method on these bells.			

BATTLE, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR			
Tenor 23 cwt.			
CYRIL S. JARRETT .. ..	Treble	*THOMAS M. BARLOW ..	5
CHRISTOPHER T. OSINTON .. ..	2	*IAN V. J. SMITH ..	6
*ALAN R. BALDOCK .. ..	3	W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON ..	7
MARTIN L. HOWE .. ..	4	BERNARD F. L. GROVES ..	Tenor
Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.		Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.	
* First peal in the method.		50th peal on the bells.	

BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR			
Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr. in D.			
JOHN T. PARSONS	Treble	KENNETH A. EARNSHAW	5
JOHN L. RILEY	2	GEOFFREY HAWORTH	6
FRED LONGWORTH	3	BRIAN A. TOMLINSON	7
PHILLIP S. WOODS	4	M. JOHN HALLIWELL	Tenor
Composed by W. SHIPWAY.		Conducted by M. JOHN HALLIWELL.	
Rung by the Cathedral band in honour of Thomas L. Duerden, organist and choirmaster at the Cathedral, who retired after 25 years service on Easter Sunday.			

BURFORD, OXFORDSHIRE.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. in E.			
Thurstans' Four-Part .. .. Treble	JOHN W. T. HIBBERT .. .. 5		
PATRICIA E. HIBBERT .. .. 2	FREDERICK A. H. WILKINS .. .. 6		
CYRIL J. HIBBERT .. .. 3	JOHN H. NAPPER .. .. 7		
REGINALD W. REX .. .. 4	ARTHUR SAYERS .. .. Tenor		
WILLIAM J. DIXON .. .. 4			
Conducted by JOHN H. NAPPER.			

CHURCHILL, OXFORDSHIRE.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5184 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in G.			
SIDNEY D. EDWARDS .. .. Treble	CHARLES COLES .. .. 5		
PETER J. HERITAGE .. .. 2	J. KEITH WARD .. .. 6		
FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. .. 3	BRIAN W. HALL .. .. 7		
ALAN R. PINK .. .. 4	EDWARD R. VENN .. .. Tenor		
Composed by STEPHEN J. IVIN.		Conducted by EDWARD R. VENN.	

COOKHAM, BERKSHIRE.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES			
Tenor 14½ cwt.			
*JOHN A. DIEPPE .. ..	Treble	†JENNIFER SCEENY .. ..	5
WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. ..	2	THOMAS H. TOCOCK .. ..	6
†DAVID P. HILLING .. ..	3	ERNEST W. ELDRIDGE .. ..	7
†DONALD T. YOUNG .. ..	4	JAMES R. A. MULLER .. ..	Tenor
Composed by H. HUBBARD.		Conducted by WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM.	
* First peal. † First in the method.			
Rung half-muffled in memoriam Rev. G. C. P. H. Briggs (Vicar of Cookham), who died suddenly on March 26th, 1964, aged 50 years.			

FRAMLEY SURPRISE MAJOR  
—38—4—1258—38—34—5—14—3  
2nds pl. L.E. 14263857. 4ths pl. bobs.



EATON SOCON, BEDFORDSHIRE.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

# A PEAL OF 5088 ST. CLEMENT'S COLLEGE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb. in F.

WILLIAM A.R. CHAMBERLAIN .. Treble	*GEORGE E. BONHAM .. 5
MARTIN MAJOR .. 2	PETER WOOLVEN .. 6
SHEILA I. SMITH .. 3	BRYAN F. SIMS .. 7
HAROLD S. PEACOCK .. 4	LESLIE F. BAILEY .. Tenor

Composed by F. NOLAN GOLDEN.

Conducted by LESLIE F. BAILEY.

\* First peal of Major. First in the method on the bells.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Richard J. Burley and Janet E. Smith, married at St. Mary's, St. Neots, Hunts, on this day.

ESCRICK, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(York Minster Society.)

On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

# A PEAL OF 5056 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb.

SEDMAN H. STEEL .. Treble	ALBERT W. A. LEGGETT .. 5
*SUSAN E. THOMPSON .. 2	*DAVID PEARSON .. 6
*CHRISTOPHER J. GROOMER .. 3	HAROLD WALKER .. 7
MARGARET E. WILKINSON .. 4	COLIN REEVES .. Tenor

Composed by CHAS. J. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by COLIN REEVES.

\* First peal of Treble Bob.

FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY, LANCASHIRE.  
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

AND  
THE ANTIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF ENGLAND.

On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST.

# A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

T. B. Worsley's .. Tenor 12½ cwt. 8 lb. in G.	
W. BRO. DAVID VINCENT, P.M., De Sala Lodge 5657 .. Treble	
W. BRO. JAMES W. HORNER, P.P.A.D.C., P.M., Norley Lodge 7319 .. 2	
BRO. JOSEPH THORNLEY, M.M., Farnworth Lodge 5301 .. 3	
BRO. CYRIL F. SUTCLIFFE, M.M., Beacon Lodge .. 4	
BRO. PETER CROOK, JUN., W.M., St. John's Lodge 221 .. 5	
W. BRO. EDWIN C. BIRKETT, P.P.A.G.D.C., P.M., Thermopylae Lodge 4386 .. 6	
BRO. PETER CROOK, SEN., M.M., Antiquity Lodge 146 .. 7	
BRO. ARTHUR GIBBS, M.M., Pemberton Lodge 3039 .. Tenor	

Conducted by BRO. PETER CROOK, SEN.

Rung to celebrate the Mastership of Bro. Peter Crook, jun., as Worshipful Master of St. John's Lodge 221.

HARROW-ON-THE-HILL, MIDDLESEX.  
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

# A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's transposition of Thurstans' Four-Part.

Tenor 19 cwt. 4 lb. in E.

BRYAN C. BURROUGH .. Treble	*BRIAN A. ROSE .. 5
LORNA E. SIMPSON .. 2	LEONARD J. NORTH .. 6
*ROGER A. GAGE .. 3	JOHN R. MAYNE .. 7
CLIVE W. SIMPSON .. 4	BERNARD E. MATTHEWS .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal in the method. † First in the method \* inside.

Rung for the Patronal Festival.

LONGSTANTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.  
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

# A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in A flat.

PETER G. BROWN .. Treble	IAN R. PANION .. 5
ALAN M. BARBER .. 2	GEORGE F. A. LUCAS .. 6
DONALD F. MURFET .. 3	GEORGE E. THODAY .. 7
PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. 4	KENNETH J. HESKETH .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD.

Conducted by ALAN M. BARBER.

MAULDEN, BEDFORDSHIRE.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

# A PEAL OF 5120 AYLESTONE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. in F sharp.

JAMES H. EDWARDS .. Treble	ROBERT L. PIRON .. 5
AVRIL IVIN .. 2	JAMES R. TAYLOR .. 6
JENNIFER M. TAYLOR .. 3	ALFRED E. RUSHTON .. 7
RONALD J. SHARP .. 4	STEPHEN IVIN .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.

First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and by the Association.

A wedding peal for Philip W. Williams and Helen B. Nevin, married in Bedford earlier this day.

OLD GLOSSOP, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

# A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 13 lb. in F.

DAVID VINCENT .. Treble	ALAN SHARPLES .. 5
PETER WATSON .. 2	DEREK A. ASHTON .. 6
SIDNEY HOUGH, JUN. .. 3	DENIS MOTTERTHEAD .. 7
JOHN A. BOOTH .. 4	JOHN ROBINSON .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by JOHN ROBINSON.

REDHILL, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.  
(Southern District.)

On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST.

# A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb. in F.

*A. GRAHAM CLARK .. Treble	GEORGE OLLIVER .. 5
ERIC NIXON .. 2	*MICHAEL D. ATFIELD .. 6
*KEITH G. GAME .. 3	ALAN STREETER .. 7
*COLIN H. COOK .. 4	A. PATRICK CANNON .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD.

Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First of Double Norwich. First of Double Norwich rung by a resident Southern District band.

WANDSWORTH, LONDON, S.W.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, WEST HILL,

# A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 lb. in F.

FRANK E. DARBY .. Treble	ROYDON DAVIES .. 5
*MICHAEL B. TYERS .. 2	*MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. 6
*MICHAEL J. UPHILL .. 3	*DAVID W. STRUCKETT .. 7
*MICHAEL J. BANGHAM .. 4	A. PATRICK CANNON .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD.

Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

\* First peal of Double Norwich. † 25th peal. First of Major on the bells, cast in 1926.

Rung for the centenary of the church (1963); also as a birthday compliment to Roydon Davies.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Mon., April 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE.

# A PEAL OF 5088 VOBSTER SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

JOHN H. BLUFF .. Treble	EDWIN T. CHAPMAN .. 5
RONALD C. NOON .. 2	CYRIL R. BURRELL .. 6
GEORGE W. MASSEY .. 3	RAYMOND H. DAW .. 7
DENIS WOODS .. 4	BRIAN HARRIS .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by BRIAN HARRIS.

First peal in the method. Vobster is an extension of Mells.

HARROW WEALD, MIDDLESEX.  
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Tues., April 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

# A PEAL OF 5024 QUINBURY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb. in A.

SUSAN E. SMITH .. Treble	VERNON GREEN .. 5
*S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN .. 2	DAVID J. TAYLOR .. 6
ELSIE K. HART .. 3	JOHN R. MAYNE .. 7
*ROGER BALDWIN .. 4	ROBIN A. HODGSON .. Tenor

Composed by RICHARD F. B. SPEED.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* 200th peal together. First in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Tues., April 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS.

# A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F.

DEREK YATES .. Treble	BRIAN SCHOFIELD .. 5
*ERNEST PIMLOTT .. 2	ALAN MCFALL .. 6
EILEEN M. FEARN .. 3	ROBERT J. WARRILOW .. 7
CAROL FERNLEY .. 4	ROBERT B. SMITH .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON.

Conducted by ROBERT B. SMITH.

\* First peal of Surprise \* inside.

# VOBSTER SURPRISE MAJOR

x 34 x 1458 x 56 x 16 x 12 x 58 x 14 x 58

2nd place 1.e.



## OXFORD.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., April 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EBBE,

## A PEAL OF 5024 ULLESTHORPE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 4 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

PETER J. HERITAGE .. .. Treble	BRIAN W. HALL .. .. . 5
CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. 2	CHARLES COLES .. .. . 6
FREDERICK W. SODEN .. .. 3	EDWARD R. VENN .. .. . 7
WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. .. 4	ALAN R. PINK .. .. . Tenor

Composed by R. F. B. SPEED. Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.  
First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Guild.  
Rung on the Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

## GATESHEAD, CO. DURHAM.

## THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., April 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN E. ANDERSON .. .. Treble	ALAN R. PATTERSON .. .. 5
IRIS THOMSON .. .. . 2	MICHAEL MAUGHAN .. .. 6
RODNEY A. YEATES .. .. 3	FREDERICK ROSS .. .. . 7
M. ELAINE MURCOTT .. .. 4	GEORGE S. DEAS .. .. . Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by MICHAEL MAUGHAN.  
First peal of Major as conductor.

## OSWALDTWISTLE, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., April 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF IMMANUEL,

## A PEAL OF 5152 WEMBLEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb. in G.

JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. Treble	PHILIP J. CROSSTHWAITE .. 5
MARYL R. CROSSTHWAITE .. 2	*RICHARD J. PARKER .. .. 6
MARGARET FORT .. .. . 3	†JEFFREY KERSHAW .. .. 7
*JOHN P. PARTINGTON .. .. 4	J. BARRY PICKUP .. .. Tenor

Composed by D. CARLISLE and G. HALLS.

Conducted by J. BARRY PICKUP.

\* 25th peal together. † 25th peal. First in the method by all except treble ringer, and on the bells.

## ASHBY FOLVILLE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF 5152 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, comprising 1,312 Bristol and 1,280 each London, Cambridge and Superlative; with 112 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell.

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 2 lb. in G.

JUDITH M. CORBY .. .. Treble	CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. . 5
PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. . 2	ROBERT W. HINDE .. .. . 6
ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. . 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 7
MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. . 4	TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. Tenor

Composed by ALBERT J. PITMAN (C.C.C. 13).

Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.

## BALDERTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In ten methods, comprising 1,440 London, 1,184 Rutland, 416 Cambridge, 384 Superlative, 320 Lincolnshire, 320 Pudsey, 320 Bristol, 288 New Gloucester, 288 Norfolk and 160 Yorkshire; with 129 changes of method.

Tenor 8 cwt. 24 lb.

*DELIA E. HEPPENSTALL .. Treble	*A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL .. 5
*BERYL N. REED .. .. . 2	*COLIN W. REED .. .. . 6
JOHN FREEMAN .. .. . 3	JOHN WALDEN .. .. . 7
WALTER TOMLINSON .. .. 4	*GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. . Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN.

Conducted by JOHN FREEMAN.

\* First peal of Spiced Surprise Major in ten methods. First of Spliced in ten methods by the Guild.

## BICESTER, OXFORDSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDBURG,

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In three methods, comprising 1,760 Cambridge, 1,760 Yorkshire and 1,600 Lincolnshire; with 84 changes of method. Tenor 15 cwt. 7 lb. in F.

CYRIL H. KINCH .. .. Treble	*SYDNEY M. BAILEY .. .. 5
WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. .. 2	EDWARD R. VENN .. .. . 6
*CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. 3	WILFRID G. WILSON .. .. 7
*GILES R. SHEDDEN .. .. . 4	ALAN R. PINK .. .. . Tenor

Composed by P. G. K. DAVIES.

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

\* First peal of Spiced Surprise.

## BIRMINGHAM.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP,

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 38 lb. in A.

V. DAVID JENNER .. .. Treble	RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 5
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. . 2	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. .. 6
NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 3	FREDERICK ROSS .. .. . 7
GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. . 4	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. IVIN.

Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

## BRAY, BERKSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

## A PEAL OF 5056 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In ten methods, comprising 768 of London, 736 each of Ealing and Rutland, 576 of Bristol, 384 each of Eastcote, Lincolnshire, Superlative and Yorkshire, and 352 each of Cambridge and Wembley; with 151 changes of method.

Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in D.

CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. Treble	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 5
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 2	*J. KEITH WARD .. .. . 6
*VERNON GREEN .. .. . 3	JACK S. DEAR .. .. . 7
*FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. Tenor

Composed by DAVID W. BEARD.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of 10-Spiced Surprise Major.

Rung in honour of the birth of a third son to H.M. the Queen.

## BRIDGWATER, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. in D.

ELISABETH A. G. BOWDEN Treble	PETER BRIDLE .. .. . 5
*GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. .. 2	PHILIP M. J. GRAY .. .. 6
MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. . 3	†D. JOHN HUNT .. .. . 7
RICHARD J. BOWDEN .. .. 4	JOHN H. GILBERT .. .. Tenor

Composed by M. HODGSON.

Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

\* First peal of Rutland. † 150th of Major; also 150th tower for a peal.

## BURNHAM, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb. in F sharp.

DONALD T. YOUNG .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY RIGLAR .. .. . 5
*FRANCES PROCTOR .. .. . 2	JENNIFER SCEENY .. .. . 6
GORDON W. LIMMER .. .. 3	†RICHARD E. DEAN .. .. 7
EDGAR G. SWIFT .. .. . 4	HOWARD OGLESBY .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. TUCKER.

Conducted by HOWARD OGLESBY.

\* First peal 'inside.' † 50th peal.

## CAMBRIDGE.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF 5152 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in G.

ALAN M. BARBER .. .. Treble	KENNETH J. HESKETH .. .. 5
*BRIAN B. HULLAH .. .. . 2	PHILLIP J. ROTHERA .. .. 6
DONALD F. MURFET .. .. . 3	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. 7
JOHN W. WARD .. .. . 4	GEOFFREY A. LUCAS .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. S. WILDE.

Conducted by GEORGE E. THODAY.

\* First peal of Surprise Major.

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## EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin,

## A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in F.

*KATHLEEN S. FULLER .. Treble	MRS. BETTY PERCY .. .. 5
†ROBERT J. FULLER .. .. 2	*D. ROY FULLER .. .. 6
CHRISTINE M. FULLER .. .. 3	HAROLD G. F. REYNOLDS .. 7
JANET M. PERCY .. .. 4	ALAN R. BALDOCK .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. BARKER.

Conducted by ALAN R. BALDOCK.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First of Major.

Rung with the best wishes of the rest of the band to the ringers of treble, 2, 3 and 6, who are shortly moving to Poole, Dorset.

## HEPTONSTALL, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Thomas,

## A PEAL OF 5280 GLASGOW SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb. in E.

GEOFFREY N. GOODALL .. Treble	LEONARD GOODALL .. .. 5
IRIS LEMARE .. .. 2	ROY BETTLEY-COOKE .. .. 6
GEOFFREY F. BRYANT .. .. 3	J. HENRY FIELDEN .. .. 7
S. BARRY SCHOFIELD .. .. 4	IAN M. HOLLAND .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by IAN M. HOLLAND.

First peal in the method by all except ringers of 7 and tenor.

## LYDD, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

## A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb. in F sharp.

JOSEPHINE D. HARDY .. Treble	IAN H. ORAM .. .. 5
JOHN FAIRCLOTH .. .. 2	ANDREW M. MACVE .. .. 6
DENNIS A. CHAPMAN .. .. 3	CRAWFORD T. HILLIS .. .. 7
RALPH BIRD .. .. 4	*A. PATRICK CANNON .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (C.C.C. 15).

Conducted by CRAWFORD T. HILLIS.

\* 100th peal of Yorkshire.

## WARNHAM, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in F.

*MARTIN TURNER .. Treble	*DIANE M. MULLINS .. .. 5
*IRENE GOCHER .. .. 2	DEREK SLATER .. .. 6
EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. .. 3	JAMES D. NELSON .. .. 7
*DAVID D. SMITH .. .. 4	GEORGE FRANCIS .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. MARTIN.

Conducted by GEORGE FRANCIS.

\* First peal on eight bells.

Rung as a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Mullins, parents of the fifth ringer; also as a welcome to Kay Elizabeth, daughter of George and Vivian Francis, born on March 31st, 1964.

## DAVENTRY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., April 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

At the Church of the Holy Cross,

## A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.

CYRIL S. JARRETT .. Treble	MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 5
ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. 2	ROBERT W. HINDE .. .. 6
*HILARY F. MARTIN .. .. 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. .. 7
TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. 4	PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. BARTON.

Conducted by ANDREW J. CORBY.

\* First peal in the method.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## WHETSTONE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., Feb. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents.	Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb.
N. RODERICK ELLWAY .. Treble	MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. .. 4
DAVID F. MOORE .. .. 2	RUPERT A. CLARKE .. .. 5
BRIAN C. LAW .. .. 3	A. JAMES POYNOR .. .. Tenor

Conducted by A. JAMES POYNOR.

## COUNTSTHORPE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., March 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew.

## A PEAL OF 5760 XINGU SURPRISE MINOR

Being four 1.440's.	Tenor 10 cwt.
SANDRA E. CHESTERION .. Treble	RUSSELL S. MORRIS .. .. 4
A. JAMES POYNOR .. .. 2	PETER J. STANFORTH .. .. 5
JOHN M. JELLEY .. .. 3	BRIAN S. CHAPMAN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN M. JELLEY.

First true peal in the method.

## XINGU SURPRISE MINOR

—36—14—12—36, 12.34—36. L.H. 12. 1645.

## WEST HANNEY, BERKSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

At the Church of St. James-the-Great,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.	Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. in E.
HELEN HOWES .. .. Treble	DAVID PIMM .. .. 4
ROBERT PARTRIDGE .. .. 2	FRANK ABSOLOM .. .. 5
GERALD TINSON .. .. 3	ANDREW J. HOWES .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ANDREW J. HOWES.

## DOWNHAM, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., March 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Margaret,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in seven methods: (1) London Surprise, (2) Ipswich Surprise, (3) Cambridge Surprise, (4) Kent Treble Bob, (5) Double Oxford Bob, (6) St. Clement's Bob, (7) Plain Bob.	Tenor 7½ cwt.
M. JANE FOSTER .. Treble	ANDREW S. HUDSON .. .. 4
CLAIRE DILLAMORE .. .. 2	PETER WILKINSON .. .. 5
JEREMY P. BRANDON .. .. 3	JAMES L. TOWLER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ANDREW S. HUDSON.

## WESTON-UNDER-PENYARD, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., March 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Lawrence,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.	Tenor 10 cwt. 24 lb. in G.
*JULIE A. V. CALIGARI .. Treble	†PETER D. S. CALIGARI .. 4
REGINALD POSTON .. .. 2	JOHN F. I. TURNER .. .. 5
PETER D. SELL .. .. 3	GEORGE T. COUSINS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE T. COUSINS.

\* First peal attempt. † First of Minor.

## COUNTSTHORPE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., March 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents.	Tenor 10 cwt. 17 lb.
HAROLD KILBY .. Treble	†W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON .. 4
ALAN E. HARTLEY .. .. 2	BRIAN S. CHAPMAN .. .. 5
*MALCOLM E. WADE .. .. 3	A. JAMES POYNOR .. .. Tenor

Conducted by A. JAMES POYNOR.

\* First peal of Minor. † 50th of Cambridge.

Wedding compliments to George T. Dudley and Roslyn Grant, both ringers at this church, married earlier this day.

## EXETER, DEVON.

## THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

On Tues., March 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Petrock,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being six different extents.	Tenor 5½ cwt.
*PETER COLTON .. Treble	COLIN YATES .. .. 4
DIANE LISSENDEN .. .. 2	GEORGE SKINNER .. .. 5
†JENNIFER SMITH .. .. 3	NORMAN MALLETT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by NORMAN MALLETT.

\* First peal. † First of Minor.

## NORTH WHEATLEY, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

(North Notts District.)

On Tues., March 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven 720's, differently called.	Tenor 8½ cwt.
*DAVID R. CHAMBERS .. Treble	DAVID A. WHETTON .. .. 4
MARY C. POYNOR .. .. 2	HARRY POYNOR .. .. 5
†PETER VINCENT .. .. 3	JOHN GOW .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY POYNOR.

\* First peal on tower bells. † First peal.

A wedding compliment to Robin Heppenstall and Delia Smith, who were married this day at Gainsborough.

## WRAGBY, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., March 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael and Our Lady,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in seven methods: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Kent and Oxford, (3) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (4) Single Oxford and Plain Bob, (5, 6 and 7) Plain Bob.	Tenor 10½ cwt.
J. MARTIN THORLEY .. Treble	ALAN SHEPPARD .. .. 4
MELVYN A. ROSE .. .. 2	JOHN POTTS .. .. 5
JOHN F. UNDERWOOD .. .. 3	KENNETH B. SISSONS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by KENNETH B. SISSONS.

The treble ringer has 'completed the circle.'

A wedding compliment to Delia and Robin Heppenstall; also a farewell to the conductor and his family who are moving to Croydon.



## BURTON HASTINGS, WARWICKSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., April 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (ten callings). Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in C.

*CYNTHIA WELLS .. .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER P. RICE .. 3
GEORGE W. BRANDRICK .. 2	†JOHN WATKINS .. .. 4

K. PAUL GILLIVER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by K. PAUL GILLIVER.

\* First peal attempt. † First of Doubles.

Rung to congratulate the ringer of the second bell on the birth of a daughter, Claire Louise.

## BUSHBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Wed., April 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 1,440 Plain Bob and 3,600 Grandsire.

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb.

*CHRISTOPHER A. S. ALLSOP Treble	E. MARION KEY .. .. 4
BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. 2	ROGER L. HAWKSWORTH .. 5
†DAVID HAWKSWORTH .. 3	ARTHUR ALLSOP .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

\* First peal. † First of Doubles, and first 'inside.'

A farewell compliment to the Rev. C. A. Chamberlain, who is leaving Bushbury for Whitchurch.

## PACKINGTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

On Thurs., April 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY ROOD.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven 720's.

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in B flat.

RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. .. Treble	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. 4
JOHN K. SMITH .. .. 2	BRIAN L. BURROWS .. .. 5
ARTHUR E. ROWLEY .. .. 3	MICHAEL E. BROWN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

75th peal as conductor.

A wedding compliment to Miss Margery C. Lyall and J. Christopher Rigg, son of the Rector of Packington, who were married at this church earlier in the day.

## STREATLEY, BERKSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., April 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Tenor 8 cwt. in A flat.

*STEPHEN FRANKLIN .. .. Treble	*ROGER M. HEYWORTH .. 4
*BARBARA BUTLER .. .. 2	*ROBERT A. PARTRIDGE .. 5
ANGELA M. AYRES .. .. 3	P. GERALD McILHONE .. Tenor

Conducted by P. GERALD McILHONE.

\* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor.

## TODMORDEN, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(Ashton-under-Lyne Grammar School Society.)

On Thurs., April 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER, WALSDEN.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 9 cwt. 4 lb. in G.

*MARGARET HUMPHREYS .. Treble	JOHN P. PARTINGTON .. 4
EILEEN CROSS .. .. 2	JEFFREY BRANNAN .. .. 5
CHRISTINE ANDREW .. .. 3	FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK SHALLCROSS.

\* First peal attempt. First for the Society.

## CRANFORD, MIDDLESEX.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., April 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTON.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

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

Tenor 7 cwt. in B flat.

*JEFF BRITCHEFORD .. .. Treble	MICHAEL J. UPHILL .. .. 4
*VANESSA RODRIGUES .. 2	*MICHAEL B. TYERS .. .. 5
PAUL A. BRAND .. .. 3	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL J. FELLOWS.

\* First peal in five Minor methods.

## CROFT, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., April 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN SLOW COURSE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents.

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

RICHARD COBLEY .. .. Treble	RUPERT A. CLARKE .. .. 4
MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. 2	DAVID F. MOORE .. .. 5
N. RODERICK ELLWAY .. 3	FREDERICK WATSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID F. MOORE.

Rung for the wedding anniversaries of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Stitson and Mr. and Mrs. R. Robinson.

## OLD RADNOR, RADNORSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

On Fri., April 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 14 methods, being three extents each of All Saints, Rushall, Rev. St. Bartholomew, Northrepps, Newborough, Grandsire, April Day, Seighford, Kennington, Plain Bob, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, Southrepps and Rev. Canterbury. Tenor 16 cwt.

BRIAN GIDDINGS .. .. Treble	JOHN W. HOPE .. .. 4
MRS. E. C. CHANDLER .. 2	ROBERT A. HATCHER .. .. 5
REGINALD PREECE .. .. 3	MICHAEL JONES .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN W. HOPE.

Rung half-muffled in memory of Sir Douglas Duff Gordon, Bt., churchwarden.

## WARBLETON, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., April 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (four callings). Tenor 10 cwt. 9 lb. in A flat.

*ANN HARRIS .. .. Treble	†ROSEMARY EARL .. .. 4
*ROBERT J. FULLER .. .. 2	†IAN V. J. SMITH .. .. 5
†KATHLEEN S. FULLER .. 3	VALERIE MEFHAM .. .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN V. J. SMITH.

\* First peal of Doubles. † First of Plain Bob Doubles. ‡ First of Doubles 'inside.'

Rung on the 711th anniversary of the death of St. Richard Wych, Bishop of Chichester 1245-1253.

## BECKLEY, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In four methods, comprising one extent each of St. Clement's College Bob and Cambridge Surprise, two of Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr.

ERIC A. FELLOWS .. .. Treble	THOS. M. BARLOW .. .. 4
*ROBERT J. FULLER .. .. 2	†ALAN R. BALDOCK .. .. 5
FREDERICK J. LAMBERT .. 3	IAN V. J. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN V. J. SMITH.

\* First peal in more than one method. † First in four methods. First on the bells since being rehung by Messrs. Taylor's in December, 1963.

## ETWALL, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN.

## A PEAL OF 5040 WESTMINSTER SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt.

JEFFREY S. SINGLETON .. Treble	RICHARD A. SHEKELTON .. 4
EILEEN J. OSBORNE .. .. 2	GEORGE N. GOODALL .. .. 5
JOHN F. MURFIN .. .. 3	LEONARD GOODALL .. .. Tenor

Conducted by LEONARD GOODALL.

## GOOSTREY, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Consisting of seven different extents.

Tenor 6 cwt.

BRIAN SCHOFIELD .. .. Treble	†DOUGLAS F. WELCH .. 4
*ROGER H. STEER .. .. 2	VICTOR NEAL .. .. 5
ERNEST PIMLOTT .. .. 3	HARRY W. HOWARD .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY W. HOWARD.

\* First peal away from treble. † First peal.

A farewell peal to the Rev. Canon W. H. Bolton, F.Ph.S., who is leaving the parish after 34 years' service.

## HEVER, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in ten methods: (1) Amersham Alliance and Little Bob, (2) Barham Delight, (3) Oxford Treble Bob, (4) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (5) Cambridge Surprise, (6) Kent Treble Bob, (7) Single Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. in A flat.

*ANN JENNER .. .. Treble	*EDWARD J. JENNER .. 4
*GEORGE FRY .. .. 2	JOHN D. FAIRCLOTH .. 5
ROBERT W. HINDE .. .. 3	*STANLEY JENNER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by STANLEY JENNER.

\* First peal in ten Minor methods.

## HOYLANDSWAINE, BARNSLEY.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(Barnsley and District Society.)

On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST.

## A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven extents in seven methods, viz.: Marple, Rochester, Nutfield, Disley, Burton, Killamarsh, Earlsheaton. Tenor 9 cwt.

ARTHUR DUNN-BIRCH .. Treble	HERMAN RUSBY .. .. 4
ELIZABETH PEACE .. .. 2	TREVOR TARBATT .. .. 5
SUSAN PEACE .. .. 3	NOEL F. MOXON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by NOEL F. MOXON.

A birthday compliment to Miss Anne V. Moxon.



**PENN. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Comprising ten methods, viz.: (1) Oxford T.B., (2) Kent T.B., (3) St. Clement's and Childwall, (4) Double Oxford and Thelwall, (5) Single Oxford, (6) Double Plain Bob and Fulbeck, (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM, JUN. . . . . Treble	GORDON W. LIMMER . . . . . 4
WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM . . . . . 2	MICHAEL HATCHETT . . . . . 5
JENNIFER SCENEY . . . . . 3	DAVID P. HILLING . . . . . Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL HATCHETT.

In memoriam Albert William Randall, a ringer at Penn for 71 years, who died on March 6th, 1964, aged 84 years.

**KIRKBY LONSDALE, WESTMORLAND.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sun., April 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 12 cwt.

CYRIL CROSSHWAITE . . . . . Treble	PETER HANDLEY . . . . . 4
MARGARET CROSSHWAITE . . . . . 2	STANLEY ANDERTON . . . . . 5
DIANA J. HANDLEY . . . . . 3	ALAN CAPSTICK . . . . . Tenor

Conducted by CYRIL CROSSHWAITE.

Rung as a tribute to Mr. Ted Proctor, chief ringer, who has now completed 62 years as a ringer; also to the tower keeper, Mr. Ben Shaw, at present in hospital.

**FARNBOROUGH, HAMPSHIRE.**

**THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., April 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven extents (four callings). Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 1 lb. in B flat.

ROBERT C. KIPPIN . . . . . Treble	V. MICHAEL COX . . . . . 4
ALAN D. ELSMORE . . . . . 2	MICHAEL J. THOMAS . . . . . 5
HILARY N. KIPPIN . . . . . 3	PETER J. JOYCE . . . . . Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

First peal of London Minor by all except conductor, and on the bells.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.  
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Tues., April 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 42 extents in 27 methods, viz.: One each of St. Martin's, St. Paul's, St. Leonard's, Austrey; two of St. Simon's; one each of St. Albans, Eynsham, Elford, Marchington, Newington, All Saints, Fortune, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Northrepps, Grandsire, Newborough, Norfolk, Southrepps; two each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Columb's, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston; and three each of Plain Bob, Kennington, Old, April Day, Seighford.

Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. in G sharp.

RUTH BLACKSHAW . . . . . Treble	MAURICE W. HARRISON . . . . . 4
ROBIN H. ROGERS . . . . . 2	GEORGE A. DAWSON . . . . . 5
C. RAYMOND LARKIN . . . . . 3	JACK DAWSON . . . . . Tenor

Conducted by ROBIN H. ROGERS.

First peal in 27 methods by all.

A second wedding anniversary compliment to Gordon and Leslie Wise, of Gedling.

**LLANGARRON, HEREFORDSHIRE.**

**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Tues., April 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DEINST.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in ten methods: (1) Double Oxford, Thelwall, St. Clement's and Childwall; (2) Killamarsh T.B., (3) Double Court, (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) Oxford T.B., (6) Kent T.B., (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt.

JOHN TURNEY . . . . . Treble	PHILIP G. MORGAN . . . . . 4
MICHAEL P. MORETON . . . . . 2	AUSTIN T. WINGATE . . . . . 5
GEORGE T. COUSINS . . . . . 3	WILFRID F. MORETON . . . . . Tenor

Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.

First peal in ten methods on the bells.

**ARLESEY, BEDFORDSHIRE.**

**THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Wed., April 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 15 lb. in G.

SHEILA I. SMITH . . . . . Treble	AUDREY R. ALEXANDER . . . . . 4
VERNA RIX . . . . . 2	ANDREW C. D. MAYES . . . . . 5
DAVID G. CARR . . . . . 3	ANTHONY H. SMITH . . . . . Tenor

Conducted by AUDREY R. ALEXANDER.

First peal as conductor.

A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Alexander.

**FOWNHOPE, HEREFORDSHIRE.**

**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Thurs., April 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb. in G.

*CHRISTINE M. JAY . . . . . Treble	PETER D. S. CALIGARI . . . . . 4
†JULIE A. V. CALIGARI . . . . . 2	JOHN F. I. TURNEY . . . . . 5
PETER D. SELL . . . . . 3	GEORGE T. COUSINS . . . . . Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE T. COUSINS.

\* First peal attempt. † First of Minor 'inside.'

**GAMSTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.**

**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Thurs., April 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being two extents of Oxford Bob and five of Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb.

KATHERINE BURCHNALL . . . . . Treble	*DAVID D. PARSONS . . . . . 4
*ROBERT A. BERESFORD . . . . . 2	SIDNEY CARNALL . . . . . 5
GRACE BURCHNALL . . . . . 3	HAROLD DENMAN . . . . . Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD DENMAN.

\* First peal in two methods.

Rung half-muffled in respect to Mr. H. Smith, of Gamston House, who died on March 27th, aged 86, an honorary vice-president of the Guild and a benefactor to this church.

**LOIS WEEDON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.**

**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Thurs., April 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY-THE-VIRGIN AND PETER.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

Being extents of Cuneastre, York, London, Wells, Surfleet, Beverley and Cambridge. Tenor 6½ cwt.

J. GEORGE SHELLARD . . . . . Treble	WILLIAM A. YATES . . . . . 4
*CHARLOTTE A. BENNETT . . . . . 2	CHARLES E. TRUMAN . . . . . 5
WILLIAM J. CHESTER . . . . . 3	WILFRID F. MORETON . . . . . Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES E. TRUMAN.

\* First peal in seven Surprise methods.

**BRANSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.**

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Fri., April 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb. in F sharp.

JACK L. MILLHOUSE . . . . . Treble	*PHILLIP C. PITCHFORD . . . . . 4
CLAIRE DILLAMORE . . . . . 2	JOHN WALDEN . . . . . 5
AMOS INGALL . . . . . 3	LOUIS WILLIERS . . . . . Tenor

Composed by REV. E. BANKES JAMES. Conducted by LOUIS WILLIERS.

\* First peal of Surprise.

A 74th birthday compliment to Mr. Amos Ingall.

**LEYLAND, LANCASHIRE.**

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being in four methods: One extent of Oxford Bob and two each of Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

JOHN NELSON . . . . . Treble	ERNEST BENNETT . . . . . 4
PHILIP CROSSHWAITE . . . . . 2	CYRIL CROSSHWAITE . . . . . 5
LAWRENCE WALMSLEY . . . . . 3	*JAMES E. SUMNER . . . . . Tenor

Conducted by JOHN NELSON.

\* First peal in four methods. First as conductor.

Rung as a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sumner.

**LLANGYNWYD, GLAMORGAN.**

**THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GYNWYD.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being two extents Plain Bob, and one 240 and 38 extents of Grandsire.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

TREVOR J. FROLEY . . . . . Treble	ARTHUR W. THOMAS . . . . . 4
*ALANA J. THOMAS (15) . . . . . 2	WILLIAM T. PETTY . . . . . 5
D. WALFORD DAVIES . . . . . 3	HAROLD PREECE . . . . . Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM T. PETTY.

\* First peal.

**LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.**

*On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 2 Minutes,  
AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

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

Tenor 2 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb. in G.

ANTONY R. KENCH (Bristol) Treble	PETER S. BENNETT (Liverpool) 4
TUDOR P. EDWARDS (Bristol) 2	PATRICK J. BIRD (Bristol) 5
IAN C. MAYCOCK (Bristol) 3	FRANK D. MACK (Bristol) Tenor

Extents 1 to 6 conducted by ringers of treble, 2, 3, 4, 5 and tenor respectively, the seventh extent being non-conducted.



## OWSTON FERRY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

LESLIE M. WOODHEAD .. Treble	† J. MARTIN THORLEY .. 4
* MELVYN A. ROSE .. 2	* ALAN SHEPPARD .. 5
JOHN POITS .. 3	* JOHN F. UNDERWOOD .. Tenor

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

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

A coming-of-age compliment to John L. Woodhead, son of the treble ringer.

## PITSFORD, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 40 methods, in the following 42 extents: (1) Stedman Slow Course, (2) Coxwell Place, (3) St. Botolph, (4) Uffington, (5) Stowe Place, (6) Datchet, (7) St. Bartholomew, (8) Reverse All Saints, (9) St. Sebastian, (10) Reverse Plain Bob, (11) Canterbury Pleasure, (12) Reverse Shipway's Place, (13) Union, (14) St. Faith Slow Course, (15) St. Julian, (16) Plain Bob and Candlesby S.C., (17) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Raveningham S.C., (18) Shipway's Place and Colnbrook S.C., (19) St. Simon and Rugby S.C., (20) St. Martin and Slapton S.C., (21) St. Osmund and Merton S.C., (22) Grandsire, (23) Antelope, (24) New Grandsire, (25) New Antelope, (26) Westminster 11, (27) Blackburn Place, (28) St. Hilary, (29) New, (30) Huntspill, (31) St. Vedast, (32) St. Nicholas, (33) Winchendon Place, (34) St. Remigius, (35) St. Simon, (36) St. Martin, (37) St. Osmund, (38) Plain Bob, (39) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, (40) Shipway's Place, (41) Grandsire, (42) Antelope.

Tenor 10 cwt, 3 qt, 11 lb. in A.

RONALD RUSSELL .. Treble	ROGER W. SMITH .. 3
* GEORGE F. ROOME .. 2	ALAN A. PAUL .. 4

GRAHAM C. PAUL .. Tenor

Conducted by GRAHAM C. PAUL.

\* 125th peal. Most methods rung to a peal on the bells.

## RUCKINGE, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In ten methods, being three extents each Stedman and Grandsire, and six each Winchendon, St. Remigius' and St. Nicholas', St. Martin's, St. Osmund's and St. Simon's. Reverse Canterbury and Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt. in A flat.

RALPH BIRD .. Treble	JOHN FAIRCLOTH .. 3
ANDREW M. MACVE .. 2	IAN H. ORAM .. 4

A. PATRICK CANNON .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN H. ORAM.

## SILKSTONE, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents (five callings).

Tenor 10 cwt. 10 lb. in F sharp.

* DAVID E. ARCHER .. Treble	* ANDREW KING .. 4
SANDRA CROSSLEY .. 2	MICHAEL KING .. 5
* M. ALEC BEAUMONT .. 3	MICHAEL R. MEADOWS .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL R. MEADOWS.

\* First peal of Minor. First of Minor as conductor.

## TITCHFIELD, HAMPSHIRE.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.

Tenor 12 cwt. in F sharp.

* RICHARD H. GREEN .. Treble	PATRICK PAGE .. 4
BETTY J. DAYSH .. 2	WILLIAM F. J. COPE .. 5
ANTHONY R. COPE .. 3	CHARLES E. BASSETT .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES E. BASSETT.

\* First peal. First of Plain Bob on the bells, and first since rehanging by John Taylor and Co.

## WIGTOFT, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 7 cwt, 3 qt, 21 lb. in A sharp.

JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. Treble	* ANNE E. BATESON .. 4
PETER A. SHARP .. 2	LOUIS WHILDERS .. 5
GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. 3	* JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. Tenor

Composed by REV. E. BANKES JAMES.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

\* First peal of Surprise Minor.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## BIRSTALL, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(The Humphrey Perkins School Campanological Society.)

On Thurs., March 26, 1964, in 1 Hour and 58 Minutes.

AT 44, BEECHFIELD AVENUE.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

DAN S. PONT .. 1-2	DEREK M. SAWYER .. 5-6
DAVID F. MOORE .. 3-4	RUPERT A. CLARKE .. 7-8

Composed by E. M. ATKINS.

Conducted by DEREK M. SAWYER.

## BIRSTALL, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(The Humphrey Perkins School Campanological Society.)

On Wed., April 1, 1964, in 1 Hour and 52 Minutes.

AT 46, GREENGATE LANE.

## A PEAL OF 5016 SPICED MAJOR

In two methods, consisting of 4,224 Plain Bob and 792 Gainsborough Little Bob: with 132 changes of method. Tenor size 15 in C.

DAN S. PONT .. 1-2	RUPERT A. CLARKE .. 5-6
DAVID F. MOORE .. 3-4	REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE.

## WHEATHAMPSTEAD, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., April 3, 1964, in 1 Hour and 51 Minutes.

AT WAYSIDE COTTAGE.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In two methods, being two extents of Double Bob and five of Plain Bob.

Tenor size 15 in C.

* SHEILA BROWN .. 1-2	GERALD PENNEY .. 3-4
* ROGER D. R. BROWN .. 5-6	

Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

\* First handbell peal in two methods.

## BUSHEY HEATH, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., April 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes.

AT 39, TITIAN AVENUE.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 14 methods, comprising 640 each of Bristol and Rutland, and 320 each of Cambridge, Ealing, Eastcote, Elford, Lincolnshire, Lindum, London, Pudsey, Superlative, Watford, Wembley and Yorkshire: with 139 changes of method. Tenor size 15 in C.

S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN .. 1-2	ROGER BALDWIN .. 5-6
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY .. 3-4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

## STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTSHIRE.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., April 6, 1964, in 1 Hour and 54 Minutes.

AT 33, BRIDGE END ROAD.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPICED TREBLE BOB MINOR

Consisting of 60 methods, in the following seven extents: (1) Barham, Oswald, Edinburgh, Kentish, Berkeley and Pembroke Delight, Berwyn and Waterford Treble Bob; (2) Nelson Treble Bob, Knutsford, Skipton, Rotherne, Chepstow, Bogedone, Fotheringay, Wilmslow, Balmoral and Ely Delight, Hull and Bourne Surprise; (3) Beverley, Surfleet, Berwick, Hexham, Cambridge and Primrose Surprise, Burslem and Waltham Delight; (4) Old Oxford, College Bob IV, Willesden, Newdigate, Neasden, St. Albans, Wragby, Charlwood, Marple, Taxal, Braintree, Humber, Clarence and Elston Delight, Morning Star Treble Bob; (5) Westminster and Allendale Surprise; (6) Sandal, London Scholars', Kingston, Capel, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury, Ockley and Oxford Treble Bob, Carisbrooke, Donotiar, Wath and Pontefract Delight; (7) Cambridge, Primrose, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull and Bourne Surprise; with 149 changes of method, and a plain lead of each included. Tenor size 15 in C.

GORDON W. LAND .. 1-2	BRIAN BLADON .. 3-4
ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. 5-6	

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

Greatest number of Treble Bob methods to a handbell peal.

## NORTHWRAM, HALIFAX, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 3 Minutes.

AT 45, WESTERCROFT LANE.

## A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

JEANNE E. BOTTOMLEY .. 1-2	WILLIAM BARTON .. 5-6
FRED HODGSON .. 3-4	VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. 7-8

Composed by H. J. TUCKER. Conducted by WILLIAM BARTON.

## RETFORD, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes.

AT 9, RICHMOND ROAD.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

MARY C. POYNER .. 1-2	ANDREW S. HUDSON .. 5-6
HARRY POYNER .. 3-4	CLAIRE DILLAMORE .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by ANDREW S. HUDSON.



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### ENGAGEMENT

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### MARRIAGE

**FROST—LAWLESS.**—At St. John-the-Baptist Church, Corby, on March 28th, 1964, between Alan John Frost, of Kettering, and Diana Mary Lawless, of Corby. New address 16, Weech Road, London, N.W.6. Tel. Ham 9455. 4544

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

**CHAPMAN.**—The address of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick I. Chapman is now 'Mancroft,' 15, St. Augustine Way, The Priory, Daventry, Northamptonshire. 4547

### PERSONAL

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### MISCELLANEOUS

**BUCKINGHAM PARISH CHURCH.**—All ringing suspended until further notice owing to tower repairs. Will visitors kindly note.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—It is requested that, between April 24th and May 25th, all correspondence which would normally be sent to the Honorary General Secretary, should be sent to Mr. H. L. Roper, Adderbury, Banbury, Oxon.—M. R. Cross, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4542

**OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.**—At the next business meeting at alteration to Rules 3, 8 and 10 will be proposed. 4556

**RINGER.** aged 17, wishes to join peal or ringing tour for approximately one week between July 25th and August 22nd. Rings up to Surprise Major and Royal.—Write Box 4526. 'Ringing World' Office, Onslow Street, Guildford, Surrey. 4526

**ST. MARY'S CHURCH, SOUTHAMPTON.**—Commemoration of half-century of ringing. Special services, Sunday, April 26th, Matins 11 a.m. Dedication of plaque. Evensong at 6.30 p.m. Dedication of ringers' pew and city banner. Ringing after each service for approximately 45 minutes, to which visiting ringers are invited. 4539

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wimborne Branch.—Fortnightly Minor practices will commence on Wednesday, April 29th, at Canford Magna, 7.30 to 9 p.m. Initially, methods will be Plain Bob, Kent and Cambridge. 4531

**WALTON-ON-THAMES, SURREY.**—All correspondence, please, to new Tower Captain. David Miseldine, 44 Garden Road, Walton-on-Thames.—V. Lathbury. 4532

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### MEETINGS

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Cary Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Corton Denham, Saturday, April 25th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. South Cadbury bells after tea.—L. McCreddie, Level Lane, Charlton Horethorne, Sherborne, Dorset. 4483

**CHESTER GUILD.**—Stockport Branch.—Meeting at Marple, April 25th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. For tea please advise Mr. R. B. Smith, 20, Tytherington Court, Tytherington Road, Macclesfield. —C. K. Lewis. 4524

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Horsley Cup ringing contest.—Derby District: Breadsall, April 25th. 3 p.m. Non-competitors send names for tea to M. Willis, 33, Gisbourne Close, Mickleover, Derby. General ringing after tea and meeting. **Ilkeston District:** Stanton-by-Dale, Friday, April 24th. 7.30 p.m.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting, Tilney All Saints, Saturday, April 25th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 4506

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Farnham District.—Meeting at Hawley on April 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. D. N. Jennings, 74, Chapel Road, Farnborough.—D. P. Elsmore. 4513

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—Quarterly meeting at Bobbing (6) on April 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. B. W. May, 'Keithstone,' Kewcol Hill, Sittingbourne.—L. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec. 4476

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—V.W.H. Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Uffington, Saturday, April 25th. Bells (5) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea, School Hall. Names, please, to R. F. J. Gilling, Branch Sec., Fernham, Faringdon, Berks. 4518

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Witney and Woodstock Branch.—A.G.M. at Northleigh on April 25th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Choral service 4 p.m. Tea reservations to E. D. Patching, 19, Common Close, Northleigh, Witney.—D. J. S. 4503

### LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS REMINDER

Annual General Meeting at Leyland, April 25th, 1964.

All towers have been circulated. F. Dunkerley, Gen. Sec. 4348

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Dorchester Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Fordington St. George, Dorchester, on Saturday, April 25th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5, followed by meeting, St. Peter's, Dorchester (8), also available 7-9 p.m. Names for tea to Miss P. House, 1, Egdon Road, Manor Park, Dorchester, Dorset.—R. H. Duke, Hon. Sec. 4474

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—Central District.—Quarterly meeting at Worlingworth (8) on Saturday, April 25th, and not at Stradbroke as previously arranged. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. at the Rectory, Tannington bells (6) also available in the afternoon. Requests for tea, please, to L. E. Last, Low Street, Hoxne, Diss, Norfolk. 4420

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—Quarterly meeting, St. Peter's, Titchfield, April 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. in Vicarage. Names for tea, please, to Mr. L. Duguid, 106, Stride Avenue, Portsmouth. 4481

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—Business meeting at 'The Rising Sun,' Carter Lane, E.C., on Tuesday, April 28th, at 8.15 p.m. Practices in May, all commencing 6.30 p.m.: 5th, St. Michael's, Cornhill; 12th, St. Lawrence Jewry; 19th, St. Giles', Cripplegate; 26th, St. Paul's Cathedral.—John Chilcott. 4552

**ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD.**—Meeting, Saturday, May 2nd, at Mytholmroyd Parish Church. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. R. Dawson, 56, Burnley Road, Mytholmroyd, Halifax. 4538

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION** and the **SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Ilchester and North Dorset Branches respectively.—Joint meeting, Saturday, May 2nd, Trent (6). Service 4.30 p.m. Numbers for tea by April 28th to R. J. Fox, 109, Middle Street, Yeovil. 4515

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting in the Crypt of St. Mary's, Woburn, on Saturday, May 2nd, at 6 p.m. Towers open: Amptill (6), 9.30 to 10.30 a.m.; Flitwick (6), 10.30 to 11.30; Westoning (6), 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.; Aspley Guise (6), 1.45 to 2.45; Hushorne Crawley (8), 2.30 to 4; Eversholt (6), 3.15 to 4.15; Woburn (8) 4 to 4.25 and after business meeting. Service, Woburn, 4.30. Tea in the Crypt, 5 p.m. Tickets for tea 3s. (cash with order) by April 30th from Mr. K. Spavins, 8, London Road, Woburn. 4562

**COVENTRY GUILD.**—Warwick Branch.—Meeting at Stratford, May 2nd. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Election of new District secretary at meeting. Names for tea as soon as possible to I. C. Maycock, 109, Heathcote Road, Whitnash, Leamington Spa. 4565

**CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WEST-MORLAND ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch.—Practice meeting at St. Bees, Saturday, May 2nd. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. (own arrangements). 4533

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Peak District.—Meeting, Eyam, Saturday, May 2nd. Bells 3 p.m. For tea, please advise Mrs. A. Jinks, 25, New Close Estate.—Mrs. G. Richardson, Dis. Sec. 4560

**DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Meeting, Saturday, May 2nd. Bells, St. Aidan's, Bamburgh (8), 3-4.30. Holy Trinity, Embleton (6), 6.30-7.30 p.m. Own tea arrangements. Bus leaves Bewick Street, 1.30. Arrives back at Bewick Street, 9.45 p.m. 4557

**EAST DERBYSHIRE AND WEST NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—Evening meeting at Swanwick, May 2nd, 6 to 8 p.m.—T. H. Radford, Hon. Sec. 4540

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ely District.—Meeting at Chatteris, Saturday, May 2nd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 5. Service 6. Special methods St. Clement's and Norwich. 4554

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.E. District.—Meeting at Goldhanger, Saturday, May 2nd. Six bell striking competition at 2.30. Service 4.30 p.m. General ringing after tea. Names by April 29th to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury. 4472

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—Meeting at Haslemere on Saturday, May 2nd. Bells (10) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. Weatherley, 48, Weysprings, Haslemere. 4567

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bridgnorth District.—Quarterly meeting, Claverley (8), May 2nd. Ringing 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names for tea to Miss V. Edge, 10, The Crescent, Much Wenlock, Shropshire, by previous Wednesday. 4567

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Practice meeting at St. Ippolyts, on May 2nd, at 5.30 p.m. 4530

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—Monthly meeting on Saturday, May 2nd, at Emmanuel, Southport. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. All visitors welcome. Names for tea, please, to Mr. R. Kenrick, 44, Norwood Avenue, Southport.—D. R. Jones, Hon. Sec. 4530

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Edenham, Saturday, May 2nd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. W. Holmes, The Garage, Edenham, Bourne, Lincs, by Monday, April 27th.—F. G. Vickers, Hon. Sec.



**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.** — North Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Goxhill, Sat., May 2nd. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Names for tea, by Wednesday previous, to Mr. S. Neave, Westfield Road, Goxhill, Lincs. —C. A. H. 4525

**LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.**—Surprise practice. All Saints', Newport, 3 p.m.—5 p.m., Saturday, May 2nd. W. Thompsett, Honeymeade, Malpas, Newport. 4546

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.** —N. and E. District.—Joint meeting with the Watford District of the Hertford County Association at Finchley, Saturday, May 2nd. Ringing 3. Service 4.30. Followed by tea. Evening ringing to 8 p.m.—E. H. Kilby, Dis. Sec. 4545

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Berks Branch.—Annual meeting at Harwell, Saturday, May 2nd. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea in Parish Hall 4.30 p.m. Names not later than April 28th.—C. Corderoy, 'West-Wynds,' Westbrook Street, Blewbury, Didcot. 4478

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch. — Annual general meeting, Wooburn, Saturday, May 2nd. Ringing 3. Service 4.30. Meeting 6. Please send names for tea by April 28th to Miss Hague, 6, Stompits Road, Hollyport, Maidenhead, Berks. 4493

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.** — North Bucks Branch. — Monthly meeting. Lillingstone Lovell, May 2nd. Bells (5) from 6 p.m. 4549

**SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.** —Meeting at Dore, Saturday, May 2nd. Bells from 3 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. R. Farnsworth, Ryecroft Farm, Dore. (Tel. 362759).—J. Seager, Sec. 4568

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Nottingham District.—Meeting, Saturday, May 2nd, Attenborough. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Eliminating round for the Crawford Cup. Names for tea by April 30th to S. Adams, 54, Wilford Road, Ruddington. 4521

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.** — Newark District. — Meeting, Barnby-in-the-Willows, Saturday, May 2nd. Cup contest 3 p.m. General ringing in the evening. Names for tea (5 p.m.) to me, please, by previous Tuesday.—Mrs. B. N. Reed, 43, Dale Crescent, Balderton, Newark. 4537

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.** — The annual general meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Beddington, on Sat., May 2nd. Ringing at Carshalton 3—4 p.m., Beddington 3—4.30 p.m., followed by service, tea, and meeting in Village Hall. Names for tea to Mr. S. Kimber, 31, East Drive, Carshalton Beeches.—R. I. Parsons. 4426

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.** — Western Division.—Quarterly meeting at Petworth (8) Saturday, May 2nd (note change of date). Bells 3. Service 4.30 followed by tea at East Street Dairy at 5. Names for tea, please, to R. Wake, 28, Keynor Estate, Sidlesham, Chichester, Sussex. (Tel. Sidlesham 325.)

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.** — Alton and Petersfield District. — Practice meeting at Bentworth (5), Saturday, May 2nd. Bells available 6.30. 4536

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.** — Northern District.—Meeting, Scalby (6), May 2nd. Bells from 2.30. Names for tea to Miss Kathleen Duck, 36, Coldyhill Lane, Newby, Scarborough, by April 30th. All welcome.—Edward Hudson, Hon. Sec. 4566

**GILLINGHAM, DORSET.** — The bells, recently completely overhauled and rehung, will be rededicated by the Archdeacon of Dorset during Evensong (6.30), on Sunday, May 3rd. Open tower after service; visitors welcome. 4543

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.** — Annual Festival will be held on Sat., May 9th, at Hartford, Northwich. Service 4 p.m. Preacher: Rev. C. H. Huggill, Rural Dean of Middlewich. Tea 5 p.m. followed by business meeting. Tickets for tea 4s. 6d. each, obtainable from Mr. R. W. Worrall, Hillcroft, 1, Vale Road, Hartford, Northwich, before May 4th. Towers available: Hartford (6) 2—4 p.m. and after the meeting; Middlewich (8) Over (8); Weaverham (6); Gt. Budworth (8); Davenham (6); Witton (8) all from 2—3.30 p.m. and after the meeting by arrangement.—Henry O. Baker, Gen. Sec. 4375

### ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

The Society's new rules will have effect from Tuesday, April 28th, 1964. Copies of these rules are available on application to the Secretary. Stamped and addressed envelope essential. Detailed below are features of the new rules which should be noted by all members:—

(1) Candidates for membership may be elected only at a business meeting of the Society. (Tower elections prior to peal attempts will be no longer recognised.)

(2) Candidates for membership shall be proposed and seconded at a business meeting and their election considered at the next, or a subsequent business meeting of the Society. Candidates shall, if possible, be present at the business meeting at which their election is to be considered.

(3) The entrance fee shall be twenty-five shillings.

(4) The steepleage shall be ninepence.

(5) Each member taking part in a peal rung by the Society shall pay a booking fee of two shillings.

John Chilcott, Hon. Sec., 14, Lawson Glade, The Glebe, Hawley, near Camberley, Surrey. 4551

### LEICESTER GUILD RINGING FESTIVAL

In aid of Hathern Bell Fund, on Whit Saturday, May 16th. Tea between 4-5.45 p.m., Hathern. Shortened Evensong 6 p.m.

#### TOWERS AVAILABLE

Route 1	Route 2	Route 3
Measham 10.00-10.30	Ruddington 10.00-10.30	Loughborough 1.30-2.30
Packington ) 10.15-10.45	Bunney ) 10.15-11.00	Church & Foundry )
Coleorton )	Gotham )	Quorn )
Hugglescote ) 10.45-11.15	Thrumpton )	Old Woodhouse )
Ibstock )	Barton-in- ) 10.45-11.15	Woodhouse ) 2.00-3.00
Whitwick ) 11.00-11.45	Fabis )	Eaves )
Shepshed 11.45-12.30	Kingston-on-Soar 11.00-11.45	Swithland ) 3.00-3.30
	Stanford-on-Soar 11.30-12.15	Markfield )
		Cont Oak, The Oaks, 3.30-4.00
		Hathern 4.00

Route 4	Route 5
Barrow-on-Soar ) 1.30-2.00	Hathern 4.00-8.00 (tea 4-5.45 in Church Rooms; service 6)
Sileby )	Sutton Bonington ) 6.15-7.00
Mountsorrel )	Kegworth )
Rothley ) 2.00-3.00	Castle Donington ) 7.15-7.45
Thurcaston )	Diseworth ) 7.45-8.00
Anstey )	
Groby ) 2.45-3.15	
Newtown Linford )	
Hathern 4.00-	

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### PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD

The annual general meeting will be held on Saturday, May 9th, at Northampton.

Committee meeting, 3 p.m. and service 4 p.m. at St. Peter's Church, Marefair.

Tea and meeting, 5 p.m. at All Saints' Church Rooms, Horseshoe Street.

Tea tickets (3s. 6d. each and c.w.o.) must be obtained by Saturday, May 2nd, from Mr. D. Isaacs, 9, The Square, Pitsford.

#### RINGING ARRANGEMENTS

Northampton:		
St. Peter's (8).	3.00 p.m.-4.00 p.m.	7.00 p.m.-8.00 p.m.
Holy Sepulchre (8).	1.45 p.m.-3.00 p.m.	)
St. Giles' (10).	2.00 p.m.-3.15 p.m.	) 7.00 p.m.-8.30 p.m.
All Saints' (8).	Not available.	)

Country:		
Route 1	Route 2	
Roads (5).	Moulton (8).	11.15 a.m.-12.15 p.m.
Collingtree (5).	Cogenhoe (6).	11.45 a.m.-12.45 p.m.
Milton Malsor (5).	Lt. Houghton (5).	12.15 p.m.- 1.15 p.m.
Rothersthorpe (5).	Brafield (6).	12.45 p.m.- 1.45 p.m.
Bugbrooke (5).		Not available.
Dallington (6).	Piddington (6).	1.15 p.m.- 2.15 p.m.
Kingsthorpe (6).	Wootton (5).	1.45 p.m.- 2.45 p.m.

E. Billings, General Secretary.

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**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Doncaster, on Saturday, May 9th. Bells available: Doncaster from 2.30. Sprothorough (8) and Arksey (8) from 2—4 p.m. Service at St. George's, Doncaster, 4.30. Tea at 5 in Parish Hall (near church). Names by 7th to Mr. F. A. Staveley, 151, Wentworth Road, Doncaster. General meeting on same premises immediately afterwards. Subscriptions are now due, and reports will be available.—L. W. G. Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec., 65, Lilycroft Road, Bradford. 9. 4571

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.** — Southern District. — Annual meeting, Penistone, May 16th. Details later.—J. J. L. Gilbert. 4563

### ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

Members are reminded of the meeting to be held in Cardiff on Saturday, June 6th, when the programme will include luncheon, business meeting and ringing at Newport, Llandaff and Cardiff.

Full details later.

John Chilcott. 4553

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—N.E. District.—A district meeting will be held at Mistley on Saturday, May 9th. Striking competition 2.30. Service 4.45. Tea 5.15. General ringing afterwards. Names to Mr. A. E. Honeywood, 27, Harwich Road, Mistley. 457



**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.W. District.—Meeting at Stanford-le-Hope, on May 9th. The district heat of the ringing competition will start at 2.30. Bells (8) available after competition until service at 4.30 and from 6 to 9. Names for tea by Wednesday, May 6th, to Miss J. Ody, Woodstock, First Avenue, Stanford-le-Hope. 4555

**GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.**—East Devon Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Ottery St. Mary, on Saturday, May 9th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea and meeting after. Numbers for tea by 6th, to Mr. Turner, Hillcote, Ottery.—W. Webb. Sec. 4559

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Eastern Branch.—Meeting at Benington, Saturday, May 9th. Bells available from 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea for those who notify me by Monday, May 4th.—P. J. Kilner, Hon. Sec., 167, Eastwood Road, Boston, Lincs. 4548

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—West Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Owston Ferry, Saturday, May 9th. Service 4.15. Tea for those who notify me by Tuesday previous.—Geo. L. A. Lunn, Hon. Sec., Crow Garth, Lea, Gainsborough. Tel. 2623. 4561

**MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.**—The annual general meeting will be held on Saturday, May 9th, at St. Modwen's Church, Burton-on-Trent. Business meeting in adjoining school 3 p.m. Followed by tea. Bells (8) available after tea. All welcome.—J. Cotton. 4558

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Guild festival will be held at Marlborough, Wilts, on Saturday, May 9th. The annual general meeting in the Town Hall at 2.15 p.m., when a welcome will be given by the Mayor of Marlborough (Mr. J. W. Seamer). The festival service at the Parish Church of St. Mary the Virgin, 4 p.m., conducted by the Rector, the Rev. Canon F. B. R. Browne. High tea in the Church Hall at 5 p.m. Tickets 5s, to be obtained from the Assistant Hon. Secretary, Mr. F. Slatford, 35, Westbury Road, Yarnbrook, near Trowbridge, before May 6th. Bells available: Marlborough St. Peter's (8), Aldbourne (8), Marlborough St. Mary the Virgin (6), Chisledon, East Kennett, Everleigh, West Overton, Pewsey, Mildenhall, available from 12 noon to 2 p.m. and from 6 p.m. onwards. The following towers also available by contacting the appropriate incumbent: Collingbourne Kingston, Ramsbury, Savernake and Great Bedwin. All towers closed between 2 and 6 p.m.—W. C. West, Hon. Sec., 584, Semington Road, Melksham, Wilts. 4501

**STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.**Meeting at Bilston, Saturday, May 9th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Names for tea, please, by May 6th, to R. M. Hodister, 8, Sutton Road, Moxley, nr. Wednesbury, Staffs.—C. M. S.—Hon. Sec. 4470

# SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Annual General Meeting,  
Saturday, May 9th.

**EAST GRINSTEAD**—Ringing 4.30 to 5 and 7.30 to 9. Service 5 p.m., followed by tea and meeting.

**Individual names for tea (3s., juniors 1s. 6d.) by Wednesday, May 6th, to Mrs. E. L. Hairs, Norman Cottage, Park Corner, Groombridge. Phone Groombridge 438.**

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Worham.

1.30-3.00 Bolney, Horsham.  
2.00-3.30 Hartfield, Cuckfield, Crawley.  
2.30-4.00 Balcombe, Dane Hill.  
2.30-4.30 West Hoathly.  
3.00-4.00 Worth.

3.00-4.30 Coleman's Hatch, Turner's Hill.  
3.30-4.30 Hammerwood.  
R. W. R. Percy, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4528

**WARWICK.**—On April 5th, at St. Nicholas' Church, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. Doris M. Randall (first quarter) 1, W. Hibbert 2, J. Susan Smith 3, G. W. Randall 4, Gillian Broune 5, J. L. Garner-Hayward 6, R. H. Randall 7, E. J. Gower (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**ALDERSHOT, HANTS.**—On April 5th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. H. Viggers 1, D. Elmesmore 2, Edna Siggery (first in method) 3, Miss S. J. Tate-Mitchell 4, D. Cox (first in method) 5, K. Williamson 6, T. Page (cond.) 7, W. Siggery (first quarter) 8.

**BALDOCK, HERTS.**—On April 12th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: A. Buck 1, L. Scott 2, J. I. Dear 3, S. Hutton (first in method) 4, D. Sutcliffe 5, P. Flack 6, C. Harwood 7, J. S. Dear (cond.) 8.

**BATTLE, SUSSEX.**—On March 28th, 1,320 Grandsire Doubles (1, 2 in front): Diana Hatton (first quarter) 1, J. Brown 2, D. J. Winchester (first quarter) 3, Judy Bowen 4, J. W. T. Smith 5, H. Ballard 6, I. V. J. Smith (cond.) 7, G. O. Prodger 8. Rung immediately after the wedding of Peter Keen and Christine Barry.

**BRABOURNE, KENT.**—On April 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. White 1, Miss J. Hardy 2, B. L. Marks 3, Dr. J. L. Garroway 4, C. T. Hillis (cond.) 5, E. Smith (first quarter) 6. A wedding compliment to Rosalind Older and John Martin, married this day.

**BRAMPTON, HUNTS.**—On March 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Susan B. Baker 1, C. M. Smith 2, Lucy Smith 3, R. F. Baker (cond.) 4, E. J. Whiting 5, J. F. W. Allen 6. For Evensong on Easter Day.

**BURTON LATIMER, NORTHANTS.**—On April 12th, a quarter peal: C. Watson (first quarter) 1, Mrs. G. E. Watson 2, A. Sellers 3, G. E. Watson 4, S. Staley 5, M. Staley (cond.) 6.

**CARLISLE, CUMB.**—On April 11th, at the Cathedral, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Veronica Holtby 1, J. Brownrigg 2, B. Redgers 3, C. Forsyth 4, B. Forsyth 5, B. Porter 6, J. Ling (cond.) 7, J. Boustead 8. A birthday compliment to the tenor ring.

**DEDDINGTON, OXON.**—On April 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: J. Cowley 1, E. E. Pearson 2, H. N. Pratley (first of Triples 'inside') 3, W. H. Minnear 4, A. W. Ivings 5, C. C. Clarke (cond.) 6, W. Ivings 7, D. E. Saunders (first quarter) 8. For morning service with the best wishes of the band for the silver wedding anniversary of the Rev. and Mrs. G. H. Palmer.

**EWHURST, SUSSEX.**—On April 2nd, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob alternately): C. M. Barnes 1, Philippa Duncan 2, Ann Harris (first as cond.) 3, Valerie Mepham 4, I. V. J. Smith 5. For the 711th anniversary of the death of Richard Wych, Saint and Bishop of Chichester.

**GEDDING, NOTTS.**—On April 11th, 1,260 Minor (St. Clement's and Plain Bob): Joan N. Challinor 1, Elizabeth Smith 2, C. R. Larkin 3, G. A. Dawson 4, R. H. Rogers (cond.) 5, R. A. G. Inglis 6.

**HAGBOURNE, BERKS.**—On Easter Day, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: W. White 1, G. W. Bishop 2, Mary Thomas 3, J. H. Napper 4, C. J. Garlick 5, M. Bishop 6, A. H. Webb (cond.) 7, L. F. Cox 8. For Eucharist.

**HALLING, KENT.**—On Easter Day, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): S. Osenton 1, D. Osenton (cond.) 2, D. Garrett 3, C. Underdown 4, C. Osenton 5, L. White 6. For Evensong.

**HARRIETSHAM, KENT.**—On April 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Rosemary Lurcock 1, T. E. Sone 2, A. W. Warrington 3, R. E. Lambert 4, J. H. R. Betts 5, R. T. Lambert 6, C. T. Osenton 7, F. Hogan 8. In honour of the birth of a son to H. M. the Queen.

**HAWKHURST, KENT.**—On April 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Playford (first of Triples) 1, L. W. Jarvis (cond.) 2, Judy Bowen 3, E. Baker 4, W. Gorringe 5, A. H. Kemp 6, S. G. Waters 7, D. J. West (first quarter) 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Dr. H. Cameron.

**LITTLE MISSENDEN, BUCKS.**—On April 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Diane Presdee 1, Ann Cass 2, R. Cass 3, Sally Peck 4, R. Snack (cond.) 5, A. Peck 6. A 91st birthday compliment to the Rev. W. H. Davis, former Vicar of this parish.

**LOCKING, SOMERSET.**—On Easter Sunday, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: Marjorie Legg 1, June Legg 2, J. Coombs 3, G. Prescott (cond.) 4, R. Venn 5, A. Skinner 6.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes, on Easter Day, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. J. Millidge 1, Mrs. O. Barnett 2, Mrs. E. M. Bagworth 3, Miss J. Barnett 4, N. S. Bagworth (cond.) 5, E. A. Barnett 6, J. W. Woolford 7, B. J. Bull 8. For morning service.

**OLD HEADINGTON, OXFORD.**—On April 3rd, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury, Plain Bob and Grandsire): D. Pullen 1, J. Woodman 2, C. Withell 3, H. Badger 4, J. Adams (cond.) 5, R. Rivers 6. For Institution and Induction of Rev. C. R. P. Anney, to the living of St. Andrew's, Headington.

## QUARTER PEALS

**PORTBURY, SOMERSET.**—On Jan. 31st, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): C. People (first quarter) 1, R. Goodliffe 2, V. James 3, G. Skelly 4, B. Goodliffe (cond.) 5, B. Say 6. Also on Feb. 14th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury and Grandsire): R. Goodliffe 1, J. Brake 2, V. James 3, G. Skelly 4, B. Goodliffe (cond.) 5, R. Haskins 6.

**PORTSMOUTH, HANTS.**—At Cathedral Church of St. Thomas of Canterbury, on April 9th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Gillian M. Boyd 1, Renee Sturges 2, A. A. J. Buswell 3, J. A. G. Ball 4, N. Haile 5, H. A. Nobes 6, W. H. Riddle 7, S. A. Scott 8, A. H. Sturges (cond.) 9, A. Hoodlass 10.

**PRESTON, RUTLAND.**—On April 5th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: D. McDonald 1, E. Ann Sadler (first 'inside') 2, T. Crowden 3, H. N. Beedham 4, J. C. Hudson (cond.) 5. For Evensong.

**REDBOURN, HERTS.**—On Easter Sunday, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): J. Hobbs 1, Miss M. Simpson 2, G. A. Reading (cond.) 3, Miss G. Martin 4, M. J. Bcw 5, H. G. Walker 6.

**ROTHERSHORPE, NORTHANTS.**—On April 4th, 1,260 Doubles (13 methods): R. Russell 1, G. C. Paul 2, G. F. Roome 3, R. W. Smith 4, A. A. Paul 5. Jointly conducted by ringers of 2, 3, 4 and 5. A farewell to the Rev. R. W. Smith.

**SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.**—On April 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Nicholson 1, Wendy Austin 2, G. Naylor 3, S. Dobbie 4, J. Clark 5, W. S. Palin (cond.) 6, B. Jemmett 7, K. Williamson 8. Rung half-muffled for the late Percy Wells, M.P.

**SOUTHWARK, LONDON.**—At the Cathedral, on Feb. 16th, 1,299 Stedman Caters: Miss D. A. Deverell 1, Mrs. O. L. Rogers 2, W. D. Grainger 3, M. T. Sprackling 4, D. A. Hewitt 5, D. W. Struckett 6, C. M. Meyer 7, J. W. Smith (cond.) 8, H. W. Rogers 9, D. P. Smith 10. For Nave Evensong.

**STOURBRIDGE, WORCS.**—On April 5th, 1,250 Cambridge Surprise Major: P. J. Brown 1, Mrs. R. Smith 2, P. L. Bill 3, R. Smith 4, G. Westwood 5, D. H. Watson (first in method) 6, J. C. Eisel 7, M. D. Fellows (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**STREATHAM, LONDON.**—At St. Leonard's Church, on March 22nd, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: R. Sanders 1, Mrs. Barton 2, J. Rea 3, Mary Potten 4, A. Millidge 5, J. S. Salter 6, M. Barton 7, J. Euston (cond.) 8. A farewell quarter for Mr. and Mrs. M. Barton, with thanks for their valued assistance at St. Leonard's.

**STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.**—On March 31st, 1,320 Spliced Plain and Little Bob Major: Miss J. M. Cook 1, Miss T. P. Johnson 2, V. Griffin 3, E. W. Ford 4, Miss P. A. Lansley 5, R. E. G. Lutton 6, B. Bladon 7, A. R. Peake (cond.) 8. First of Spliced 2 and 6. A farewell to Miss Thelma Johnson, who is leaving Stratton St. Margaret for Scarborough.

**SWINDON, WILTS.**—At Christ Church, on Easter Sunday, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: M. Scowen 1, Miss J. E. Davidge 2, E. Sutton 3, Miss S. H. Little 4, M. D. Penney 4, Dr. C. G. Roworth 6, P. Minchin 7, M. J. Stanley 8, A. G. Wells (cond.) 9, P. Spackman 10. First of Caters 1 and 2. For Evensong.

**TEWIN, HERTS.**—On April 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: F. J. Garrod 1, R. A. Cockfane 2, Mrs. Bertha Banks 3, H. Shire 4, Wm. T. Holmes (cond.) 5, F. Bailey 6. A compliment to Mr. H. Shire, for his 80th birthday.

**UPPER CLAPTON, LONDON.**—At the Church of St. Matthew, on April 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. F. Neal 1, Miss N. Hales 2, I. A. Hales 3, C. A. Gray 4, J. M. Steele 5, D. W. Gray 6, D. Neal (cond.) 7, E. Steele 8. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to Stanley George Coles, organist and choirmaster at St. Matthew's for 23 years, who died on March 24th, after being involved in a road accident on Palm Sunday evening.

**WAREHAM, DORSET.**—1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mary E. Elmes 1, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 2, C. M. Heawood 3, Judith A. Robertson 4, M. J. Young 5, G. W. Elmes 6, J. W. Blackwood 7, R. W. Young 8. Rung after the wedding of Mr. C. A. Bull to Miss M. J. Tubb, the former being a member of the local band.

**WENTWORTH, YORKS.**—On April 12th, 1,440 Minor (Kent and Plain Bob): Elizabeth Cherry 1, M. A. Beaumont 2, A. King 3, D. E. Archer 4, M. King 5, M. R. Meadows (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**WEST WICKHAM, KENT.**—On April 5th, 1,320 Treble Bob Minor (Kent and Oxford): W. A. Hurbes 1, W. A. Hollamby 2, L. W. G. Skinner 3, R. G. Crosland 4, J. D. Faircloth 5, A. S. Richards (cond.) 6.



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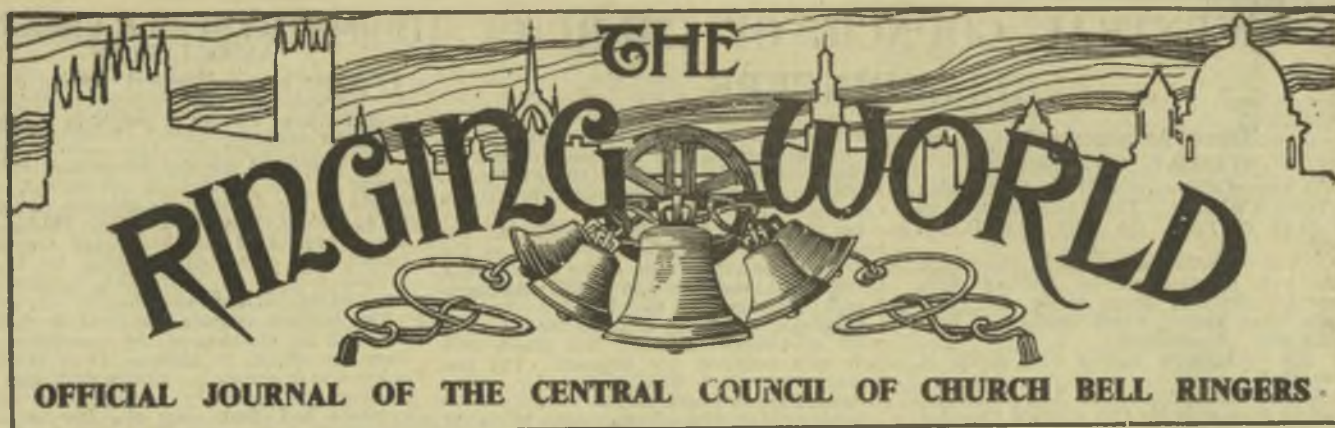
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## BON VOYAGE

**T**OMORROW (Saturday) at 11 a.m. a Pan American Jet Clipper will leave London Airport taking ten men on one of the most exciting of all ringing experiences—to Washington to ring for the consecration on Ascension Day of the Gloria in Excelsis tower in America's national cathedral.

Their presence and journey is the outcome of an inspiration of the Dean of Washington, the Very Rev. Francis B. Sayre. The opportunity of making a contribution towards the cost of the journey was gladly accepted by many people. Donations came from as far afield as Calgary (Alberta) and Saigon in Vietnam.

The ten bells, the product of one of our two British foundries—the other is represented in the carillon—have a tenor of 32 cwt. They are to be rung according to the English style of change ringing by a band of proved exponents of our art all honoured and respected by the Exercise at large.

They are not only ringers; in their ranks are some of the ablest instructors in our land—men of recognised ability at week-end courses. The band also contains the man who has rung more peals than any living man in Mr. Geo. E. Fearn, of Birmingham, whose total now exceeds 1,900. Above all, they are men from prominent but different English Cathedral buildings like St. Paul's, Westminster Abbey and Lincoln, known to thousands of American tourists. Their presence is a contribution of the old to the new. To the 'New World' they are presenting an essentially English art in its highest form.

Letters have appeared in our columns deploring the choice—and some of these have been written by people well known in ringing circles. Boldly we say the selection has been well made; we cannot see a weak link. The Editor purposely wears neither the tie (figuratively speaking) of the Ancient Society of College Youths nor the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths. He is not the least perturbed because one Society should have a preponderance of members. It is the calibre of the men as ringers and instructors and their ability to represent all that is best in English ringing that counts. They are representative of the best we can offer.

This does not mean that other bands equally good in men and women could not be found. The Exercise is particularly rich in talent today, and while we venerate and respect those who have gone before and have given by their writings and knowledge a sound foundation for the development of our craft, the contribution of our age is making this a glorious era in the history of change ringing.

Today there are more practising ringers than ever before and the achievements in advanced method ringing would simply stagger our forbears. And these achievements are not by isolated bands.

Again the art of bell-founding and hanging has reached a stage undreamed of by bygone founders. Some might lament that the modern bell-founder has robbed the Exercise of the elements that gave ringers of the past an added spice to their ringing. This is far outweighed by opening the opportunity to ring to hundreds of our girls today; so much so that women are to be found in the front rank of Surprise bands. They would like America to know that ten women could be found to let Washington bells sound out in their full majesty.

To the ten we wish them 'Bon Voyage' and every blessing upon their endeavours to introduce the art of change ringing to a wider circle of American people. This contact for even a very short period should lead to permanent friendships and the widening of an art that we hold very precious. Of good service ringing it can truly be said 'Gloria in Excelsis.'

## OXFORD GUILD AND INSURANCE

**T**HROUGH the initiative of their Hon. Librarian, Mr. H. L. Roper, the Oxford Diocesan Guild have circularised all tower captains on the importance of insurance of bell ringers. We give their circular, as it might be a guide to other Guilds and Associations

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The Officers and the General Committee of the Guild wish to draw the attention of all ringers to the facilities offered by the Ecclesiastical Insurance Office Limited for the insurance of ringers against the risk of accident.

This is done by the Parochial Church Council taking out with the Ecclesiastical Insurance Office a **Group Personal Accident Insurance** which covers the Parochial Clergy and paid and unpaid Church workers as well as the ringers who are covered against the risk of accident while ringing or attending to the bells in any church or bell tower or while travelling to or from a church or bell tower to practise or take part in bell ringing anywhere in the United Kingdom.

The annual premium for ringers is 2/- each, but double benefits are available for double premiums. It is important that a premium should be paid for every ringer or learner in the tower, and the Ecclesiastical Insurance Office should be notified each year of the number in the tower and the premium adjusted accordingly. It is not sufficient to pay six premiums because you have only six bells; if, in fact, you have ten regular ringers you should pay for ten; if the following year you have 12 you should tell the Insurance Office so and pay for 12.

The age limits are 16 years to 70 years. A ringer over the age of 70 cannot be insured under this policy. Children between the age of 12 and 16 can only be insured at the normal rate of premium but with limited benefit and the Ecclesiastical Insurance Office should be told each year how many of the ringers come into this category. Children under the age of 12 years cannot be insured under this policy but other possibilities are being explored.

The Officers and the General Committee of the Guild feel that you, as Tower Captain, have some responsibility in this matter so will you please. **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND WITHOUT PUTTING THE MATTER OFF**, see the Parochial Church Council Secretary or Treasurer, or the Incumbent, or all of them, and find out

(a) whether or not they have a Group Personal Accident Policy and, if so, that the full number of ringers is insured and that any children between the ages of 12 and 16 have been mentioned.

(b) if there is no such policy, persuade them to write to the Ecclesiastical Insurance Office without delay and to take one out.

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## CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS

### Truro Arrangements TUESDAY, MAY 19th

7.15 a.m.—Celebration of Holy Communion in Truro Cathedral. The Celebrant will be the Dean of Truro, the Very Rev. H. M. Lloyd.

9.45 a.m.—Meeting of Council in Town Hall. Make own arrangements for mid-day meal. There are plenty of places within easy reach of the town centre, where lunches or light snacks may be obtained.

2 p.m.—Afternoon session of Council in Town Hall.

4.30 p.m.—Reception by the Truro Diocesan Guild of Ringers in the City Council Chamber (directly opposite the Town Hall in the Municipal Buildings). Members of the Central Council and their friends will be introduced to the Mayor and Mayoress of Truro and the Lord Bishop of Truro. A tea of traditional Cornish fare will be served. Admission will be by ticket only. Please make application for your tickets (limited to two per member) direct to the Secretary of the Council, address as below, by not later than May 8th.

There will be an informal evening at the Headquarters Hotel, The Red Lion, Boscawen Street, Truro. The Elizabethan Room of the Hotel will be reserved for members and friends.

### RINGING ARRANGEMENTS

The following towers in the Truro District are available for ringing at the times shown. In case no local ringer is available to meet a band, please leave the bells exactly as you find them. Clock hammers to be pulled off at Probus and Kenwyn.

Truro Cathedral (10 bells): Saturday, May 16th, 7 to 9 p.m.; Sunday, 9 to 9.45 (SR), 5.30 to 6.15 (SR), 7.30 to 9 p.m.; Monday, 3 to 4 p.m., 7 to 9 p.m.; Tuesday, 6.30 to 9 p.m.

Kenwyn (8): Saturday, 7 to 9 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 to 11 (SR), 5.45 to 6.15 (SR), 7.15 to 9 p.m.; Monday, 10 to 12, 7 to 9 p.m.; Tuesday, 7 to 9 p.m.

Kea (8): Saturday, 7 to 9 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 to 11 (SR), 3.30 to 4.30, 6 to 6.30 (SR), 7.30 to 9 p.m.; Monday, 2 to 3 p.m., 7 to 9 p.m.; Tuesday, 6.30 to 9 p.m.

Perran-ar-Worthal (6): Saturday, 6 to 8 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 to 11 (SR), 4 to 5 p.m., 5.45 to 6.15 (SR), 7.15 to 9 p.m.; Monday, 1.30 to 3 p.m., 7 to 9 p.m.; Tuesday, 7 to 9 p.m.

St. Erme (6): Saturday, 7 to 9 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 to 11 (SR), 3 to 4 p.m., 5.45 to 6.15 (SR), 7.30 to 9 p.m.; Monday, 2.30 to 3.30, 7 to 9 p.m.; Tuesday, 6.30 to 9 p.m.

Probus (8): Saturday, 7 to 9 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 to 11 (SR), 5.45 to 6.15 (SR), 7.30 to 9 p.m.; Monday, 3.30 to 5 p.m., 7.30 to 9 p.m.; Tuesday, 7 to 9 p.m.

(SR)—Service ringing.

Kea Church is 1½ miles from Truro, just off main Falmouth Road.

Perran-ar-Worthal is five miles on main Falmouth Road, turn right just past the Norway Inn.

St. Erme is three miles from Truro, just off main Newquay Road.

Probus is five miles from Truro, on main St. Austell Road.

### TOURS

Two coach tours are being arranged, of which the following are the details:

Sunday, May 17th.—Dep. Red Lion, Truro, 1.30 p.m. St. Enoder, 1.45 to 2.45 p.m.; St. Columb Major, 3 to 4 p.m.; St. Stephen-in-Brannel 4.30 to 5.30 p.m. High tea at Wind-sor Grill, St. Austell, 6 p.m. St. Austell, after Evensong to 8.30 p.m. Arrive Truro approximately 9.15 p.m. Fare, including meal at St. Austell, 10s. 6d.

Monday, May 18th.—Dep. Red Lion, Truro, 9.30 a.m. Tuckingmill, 10 to 11 a.m. St. Mary's, Penzance, 10.30 to 11.30 a.m. Make own arrangements in Penzance for lunch. Gulval, 1.45 to 2.45 p.m. Carbis Bay, 3.15 to 4.15 p.m. Phillack, 4.30 to 5.30 p.m. Arrive Truro approximately 6.30 p.m. Fare only, 7s. 6d.

Please make application for the tours direct to the undermentioned, enclosing remittance. Tickets will be forwarded by return: Mr. A. J. Davidson, Tyneholm, Barrack Lane, Truro, Cornwall.

For Saturday, May 16th, application has been made for the following towers on the A.30 main road to be open at the times stated: St. Mary's, Launceston, 1.30 to 2.30; Altarnon, 3 to 4; Bodmin, 4.30 to 5.30.

Ringling is also being arranged for a touring party of Council members, and others with their own transport are welcome. The following towers have been applied for at the dates and times mentioned:

Sunday, May 17th.—Launceston, 10 to 11 a.m. (Service ringing). Altarnon, 1 to 2 p.m. Cardinham, 2 to 3 p.m.; St. Mahyn, 3 to 4 p.m.; Bodmin, 5.15 to 6.10 p.m. (Service ringing).

Monday, May 18th.—St. Columb Minor, 9.30 to 10.30. St. Mawgan, 10.30 to 11.30. St. Dennis, 11.30 to 12.30. St. Stephen-in-Brannel, 12.30 to 1.30. Ladock, 2.30 to 3.30.

Wednesday, May 20th.—Redruth, 9.30 to 10.30. Camborne, 10.30 to 11.30. Crowan, 11.30 to 12.30. Phillack, 1.30 to 2.30. Carbis Bay, 2.30 to 3.45. Towdenack, 3.45 to 4.45. St. Mary's PZ, 7 to 8 p.m. Madron, 8.15 to 9 p.m.

Thursday, May 21st.—Lanlivery, 11.30 to 12.30. Lansallos, 1.30 to 2.30. Liskeard, 2.30 to 3.30. St. Germans, 3.30 to 4.30. Stoke Climsland, 4.30 to 5.30.

**Affiliation Fees.**—At the time of writing, the affiliation fees for 1964 of the undermentioned Societies have not been paid: Derbyshire Association, Devon Association, East Derby and Notts Association, Essex Association, St. Martin's Guild, Sheffield and District Society. E. A. BARNETT.

Hon. Secretary.

26, Iron Mill Lane, Crayford, Kent.

### LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

From Boston, Lincs. comes a record of long and faithful service. Mr. W. E. Clarke has just retired from the office of secretary and treasurer of the Eastern Branch of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, a post he has held for 30 years. During this time he has only missed one meeting. But the Branch is not losing the valued services of Mr. Clarke. At the annual meeting he was elected president and also Guild representative.

Mr. P. J. Kelner, of Fishtoft, is the new hon. secretary and treasurer, and Mr. P. Reynolds, of Swineshead, Branch Ringing Master.

### THE LADIES' GUILD

The Devon Branch held its annual meeting at St. Michael and All Angels' Church, Clyst Honiton, on April 18th. The ringing, which was interrupted by a wedding in the afternoon, was under the supervision of Mrs. G. E. Retter, and mainly consisted of Grandsire Doubles and Triples and Stedman Triples.

A short service was held in church conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. H. V. Christie). After tea in the Church Hall, the vice-president (Mrs. D. R. Bould) voiced the thanks of the visitors to the Vicar, to Miss Christie for acting as organist, and to Mrs. Retter and the ladies for the excellent tea.

At the subsequent business meeting, presided over by Mrs. Bould, the secretary and treasurer's report were both adopted, the former recording three meetings during the past year.

The officials were re-elected as follows: Vice-president, Mrs. D. R. Bould; secretary and treasurer, Miss Y. C. Porter; branch committee members, Mesdames D. R. Hood and G. E. Retter and Misses C. Dordridge and M. Russell; general committee, the Misses V. Goss and P. Stephens. An assistant secretary is to be appointed.

Further ringing afterwards included a visit to Clyst St. George.

Next meetings: Dartmouth, July; either Sidbury or Ottery St. Mary, October.

### WORCESTERSHIRE & DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

THIS year's annual general meeting of the Worcestershire and Districts Association attracted a large number of people to Worcester on Easter Monday.

The events of the day commenced with a service in the morning at All Saints', conducted by the Association's chaplain, the Rev. H. L. Davies, Vicar of Cradley. During the service courses of Bob Major and Grandsire Triples were rung on handbells by M. J. Fellows 1-2, R. G. Morris 3-4, D. Beacham 5-6, and M. D. Fellows 7-8.

The business meeting was held in College Hall and the president of the Association, the Very Rev. R. L. P. Milburn, Dean of Worcester, was in the chair. Having dealt with the minutes, the secretary reported that three members had died since the last meeting, namely, Ezra Homer, of Rowley Regis; Frank Hill and William Bullock, of Malvern Link.

The president extended a warm welcome to all, especially the younger members. He also said how gratifying it was to hear that Kidderminster bells were now being rung regularly.

All the officers were re-elected, among these being the Master, Mr. W. B. Cartwright; chaplain, the Rev. H. L. Davies; general secretary and treasurer, Mr. D. Beacham.

Worcester was again chosen for the annual meeting next year on Easter Monday.

An attractive ringing programme had been arranged after lunch and everyone made for Stoulton to ring at the Parish Church and on Mr. Jopp's light ring of six. Church Road, Stoulton, soon became like the finishing point for a motor rally, there were so many cars! The next attraction was Pershore Abbey, with ringers queuing half-way up the tower waiting their turn to enter the unique 'bird-cage' ringing chamber.

Perhaps Upton Snodsbury and Crowle are an attraction only if you have not rung there before! At any rate each has its own idiosyncracies; the sallies of the ground-floor ring at Upton Snodsbury never come down in the same place twice, whilst Crowle bells are sometimes described as having a tenor in 'Z blunt'!

Other bells available were St. John's and All Saints', Worcester, and, after tea, a record crowd filled to overflowing the spacious Cathedral ringing chamber. Here ringing ranged from rounds to Cambridge Maximus. D. B.

### A SPOOF NAILED IN TIME

An important omission from a peal report sent from Liverpool unexpectedly revealed an attempt to get a spoof peal published.

There was no name and address of the sender—not uncommon despite requests—and also the name of the tower was missing. The Editor then examined the Lancashire Association report to see if a clue was possible from the names of the supposed band. Only two were recognised as ringers and a letter was accordingly sent to Mr. Joseph Ridyard, whose name was given as the ringer of the treble.

Mr. Ridyard replies: 'I wish to state that wasn't a peal. To me it is the act of a maniac or lunatic. My name is down for the treble. On that date I was never in Liverpool for I was not away from home all day.'

Some of the names I don't know, and I am sure the secretary of the Lancashire Association couldn't find them in his books. They are the name of the Merseyside group known as the Beatles, bar the conductor, who is a well known Liverpool ringer.

I intend to find out who the fool was who sent it up to you. Yesterday was the annual general meeting of the Lancashire Association. As I couldn't attend I asked a colleague of mine to show it to the president with full details and to press it on the meeting as we cannot tolerate such nonsense. Furthermore, whoever the culprit is I would like an apology for you and myself for the insult we have put up with. As I am in Liverpool next Sunday I hope to take the letter with me and find out the object of it.'



## CLERICAL RINGERS' GUILD IN SUNNY DEVON

FOR once Devonshire lived up to its reputation of sunshine when the Clerical Ringers' Guild spent its ringing week there after Low Sunday. Members combined the serious business of ringing with the pleasure of a few days off from their parochial duties and the fine weather and pleasant wooded hills of the country round Exeter made this tour one of the most enjoyable in the history of the Guild. The party occupied a very comfortable hotel just off the Exeter By-pass and the bells available were truly splendid. There can be few places in England where the organiser of a localised week, such as the Clerical Ringers have, could find such a wealth of bells within a small radius. As well as the bells in Exeter itself, there were those on the three day trips. These took in the country to the south as far as Teignmouth, to the south-east as far as Exmouth and to the north as far as Tiverton. The sea was blue, the hills and fields fresh green or red with good Devon soil and from time to time glimpses of Dartmoor reminded us of the majesty of the high hills.

### 'GOOD IN PARTS'

It must be confessed at once, however, that the quality of the parsons' ringing matched neither the scenery nor the bells! Part of the reason for this was the absence of two of our most capable performers, Canons Thurlow and Felstead. Among Surprise methods only Cambridge, Yorkshire and London were rung, the latter after much travail. There was much Grandsire and even the Stedman Triples which seemed to be demanded by several of the majestic rings we visited came round only uncertainly. We felt that perhaps these bells did not know this particular tune. En route for Exeter we met at Seaton and played safe with Grandsire and Plain Bob. At Sidbury our honoured president called a musical touch of Stedman, which sounded well on these good bells. The first full day also went well. We were in the heart of the call-change country and however hard we tried to keep up our standard of striking we were several times conscious of falling below the prowess of the local band as evidenced by the wealth of certificates round the belfry. At Teignmouth there was more presidential Stedman as well as Double Norwich and Yorkshire, while the excellent eight at Kingsteigton were lowered in good style by the 'second team.'

### DISASTER

The second day started with disaster. At our first tower, Broad Clyst, Cambridge failed and so did Stedman. We broke a stay and left, covered with confusion, arguing who was responsible—the lady beginner who was on the rope or the cleric who was supposed to be helping her. So, on to Silverton and Tiverton. Here we admired the church, known so well to our worthy secretary. We admired, too, the noble bells but again failed to ring them as well as we would have wished. London failed and so did Stedman, so we settled for Grandsire. Our pride humbled, we went back to Buckleigh for lunch with a tower-grab at the local six thrown in. Here, Undershaft, which had been the subject of much discussion and instruction in the coach, was duly rung. It was claimed that this was a 'first' for the Guild. Then back, through the model village of Newton St. Cyres, to Exeter Cathedral. We were given tea as guests of Prebendary Andrews in the Cloister Room and then joined in Evensong in the Lady Chapel. Our president's own hymn was sung with gusto accompanied by N. F. D. Coleridge on the small portable organ. The small number of non-ringers in the congregation may have wondered what it was all about! If so, then

they may have been enlightened when the 'brazen tongues' of which the hymn spoke were heard from the great south tower. Five stalwarts rang up Grandison and even the ninth was manned by a team of three with the result that the rope promptly broke. This was passed off with such kindness by the local ringers that our hearts warmed to our work. Rounds included R. N. Longridge and his two sons (minor and minimus) and were well rung. This followed clerical Grandsire Caters and Cinques with the help of local talent including two very capable young ladies. We heard afterwards that this effort won favourable comment, and our morale improved.

### SUCCESS

So to our third day and the traditional peal attempt. As if to make up for her frowns on the previous day Dame Fortune smiled on us and a peal of Bob Major was brought round in good style at St. Thomas', Exeter, in 2 hours 50 minutes. This was due in no small part to the capable conducting of M. C. C. Melville. As this was the first peal scored on a tour for the Guild for 14 years there was considerable jubilation—the more so because the band knew that Canon Cox dearly wanted it to succeed. During the morning non-pealers had enjoyed ringing at nearby towers. After lunch the re-united party set off by coach to Exmouth, ringing at Clyst St. George and Lympstone, returning through Woodbury and Heavitree. Here, perhaps because of the magnificent bells, the ringing improved and some excellent London was rung with the aid of Norman Mallett, who had been kindness itself on this tour.

### ANNUAL MEETING

At the annual meeting of the Guild most of the business was as usual. We had shown a small loss on the year but at this rate our reserves will keep us going until 1980! Canon Cox was re-elected president on the condition that we would not ask him to do too much ringing. Prebendary Andrews was once again made secretary and treasurer and congratulated on his calm efficiency. Canon B. F. Sheppard and R. D. St. J. Smith were again elected vice-presidents and the committee was completed with Canon K. W. H. Felstead and I. J. Richards. And that, so we thought, was that. But no—we were presented with a request made through M. C. C. Melville from the Rabbits' Guild that one of our members be nominated for election as chaplain to that body. We found, however, that not one member on the tour was qualified as a Rabbit and so the matter was left on the table.

### PERSONAL

It was good to have Canon Cox with us and able to ring in some of the towers although he had recently been ill. It was a pleasure, too, to see R. D. St. J. Smith in such good ringing form and to have Canon Sheppard with us again. The keenness of Longridge minor and minimus was a tonic and their ability should ensure a good ringing future for them. There were a few diverting incidents. The first night our ringing at St. Petrock, Exeter, coincided with a practice at the nearby Cathedral. The light six seemed just not to be in tune with the top six of the 12 and the result was cacophony. 'Dignity and impudence' was an appropriate comment.

Our coach driver was splendid. Each tour seems to provide a vehicle more sumptuous and immense than the last. This year our 41-seater almost scraped both hedges in the narrow Devonshire lanes. Mercifully we met little traffic in them. Once we came face to face with a lorry and its driver backed with

complete abandon about 300 yards at a speed of 30 miles per hour. Such is Devonshire driving.

### THANKS AND FAREWELL

We record our thanks to the incumbents of the many towers we enjoyed. It seemed that many of them were, like us, on holiday, but we were met and welcomed in almost all the towers. On one occasion, which shall be nameless, it was a charming lady ringer who showed us the ropes: at others were met by local call-change experts and we tried our hand at their craft led by one of our West Country parsons.

So to the end of a very enjoyable week. Our homeward-bound towers were better manned than usual. The diminutive belfry at Sowton contrasted with the space of Clyst Honiton. We wound up at Ottery St. Mary, admired this magnificent church and rang the secretary's course of Cambridge Major. Rounds for such of the second team as remained were followed by Stedman and lower. Then we parted, each to our different parishes, with many happy memories of this part of the West Country and its bells. F. A. S.

### ST. MARTIN'S GUILD

A VERY enjoyable quarterly meeting of the St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham was held at Solihull. The Guild's form of service, held in the chancel of the beautiful Church of St. Alphege, was conducted by the Rector, Canon H. Hartley, and was attended by more than 60 ringers. During the afternoon and evening the well-kent ringing room was filled with ringers and good use was made of the excellent ring of ten bells.

Mr. Charles Dale, Master of the Solihull Parish Church ringers, had arranged tea in the new and imposing Church Hall. The Master of the Guild, Mr. Richard C. Ingram, who presided at the meeting, expressed thanks on behalf of the members to everyone at Solihull who had assisted in making such excellent arrangements.

Mr. Stephen W. Barton, of Quinton, Mr. Martin Burston and the Misses P. Foster, E. Jennings and D. Cattell, all of Perry Barr, were elected resident members. The tower elections, as life members, of the following ringers were duly ratified: Miss Elizabeth Timmins (Wolverhampton), Messrs. Geoffrey Paul (Lincoln), George E. Thoday (Cambridge), John W. Coleman (Cobham) and Leslie Boumphrey (Workington).

Next meeting: Coleshill, July 4th (subject to consent).

### Gratefully Acknowledged

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## Letters to the Editor

### Good Luck and Bon Voyage to Washington Team

Dear Sir,—In the past few weeks there have been several letters in 'The Ringing World' criticising the Washington venture and the selection of a band to go to America. I was appalled and shocked to read these letters which, in my opinion, ought never to have been written!

The ten ringers go to America for two obvious reasons:

(1) To ring at the dedication service of Washington Cathedral.

(2) To encourage, teach and advise the learners at the Cathedral.

Let us be thankful that such a venture is to take place at all. John Chilcott had the great honour of inviting ringers to go—he has done it well and has picked a team not only capable of extremely good ringing but a team which will be able to teach and help the learners of Washington Cathedral.

May these ten men go to Washington and ring to the true glory of God, and may they return with a wonderful experience behind them. Good luck and 'Bon Voyage.'—Yours faithfully,

ANDREW KING.

Wentworth, Yorks.

### Washington, a Good Idea?—Yes

(K. S. B. Croft)

Dear Sir,—No, you are not, by far, the only couple to think that the Washington Venture is a good idea. 'My Girlie' and I were so satisfied with the idea and the excellent choice of the band that we sent along a donation to help them on their way.

I like to claim friendship with three of them, 'Wilf' Moreton, George Fearn and Harry Parkes. Best wishes—and to all the band. Best wishes, also, to you, St. Mary's, Southampton, for your 50th anniversary on April 26th. Small world, isn't it, that we should have been at Southampton in May, 1940, at our Manchester Unity Odd Fellows' annual movable conference.

'OAD BAT-ER.'

Crewe.

### An Offer

Dear Sir,—Reading in 'The Ringing World' that an 'intensive training programme is being prepared' for the Washington ringers. I was rather disturbed to hear the same week from a former Guild Master and his wife at present working near Washington that their offer of regular help at the Cathedral was refused. They were not invited to ring but were offered a £10 recording of the bells!

Our selected band of ringers has the great privilege of ringing at the dedication service, and in this they have my wholehearted support as representatives from the homeland of bellringing, but I believe that—apart from the publicity value—a 'crash' training course, given by even the most experienced ringers, is of less value than regular instruction, continuing over a period of months. — Yours faithfully,

ALAN J. FROST.

16, Weech Road, London, N.W.16.

### Cambridge Royal

Dear Sir,—Although Mr. Bayles wants to keep Cambridge a regular method, his motion in fact makes Cambridge Royal and Maximus irregular, as both have 'four places made between successive rows on more than one occasion in a half-lead.'—Yours sincerely,

Wakefield. WILFRID F. MORETON.

### Great Adventure II Agreement

Dear Sir,—Arrangements are now being made for Adventure II to take place during September/October, 1965. A provisional programme to last about four weeks has been agreed upon, and news from Australia is that towers are being circulated inviting constructive comments and suggestions to be submitted to the organisers. Messrs. Pitcher and Roper have taken over since George W. Pipe's return and are giving the visit a great deal of thought and are prepared to do a lot of planning on our behalf.

The progress of work on the bells of Melbourne Cathedral, now at the Loughborough Foundry, is very satisfying and there should be no need to rush the work of rehanging for the tourists' visit.

A few ringers in this country have made inquiries as to the date of the tour in Australia—it seems that some are thinking of emigrating and hoping that a certain coincidence will occur.—Yours faithfully,

T. J. LOCK.

### The Leeds Broadcast—An Apology

Dear Sir,—I must apologise to listeners who were unfortunate enough to hear Leeds bells prior to the broadcast Festival Service on April 19th, televised by A.B.C. Television.

We were asked to have the bells ringing from 10.55 until the customary signal to stop would be given, shortly after 11 o'clock.

In order to put up as good a performance as possible, we confined ourselves to call changes on ten bells and these were particularly well struck and the bells brought into rounds immediately before the signal came, when everybody set his or her bell.

I was horrified therefore to discover that instead of this very good ringing being heard, and it was unquestionably the best we have done on the ten or so broadcasts of Leeds bells, a recording of some very indifferent Grandsire Triples on the light eight earlier in the day had been used, although it was mercifully short.

I have not yet found out who was responsible for the departure from the arrangements but we will make sure this does not happen again.—Yours truly,

R. H. DOVE.

Leeds.

### Duplicated Doubles Names

Dear Sir,—We read with interest Mr. Amos' correspondence regarding Doubles variations. As members of one band referred to in the article, we would like to point out that St. David's Doubles which we rang to a quarter peal for St. David's Day, 1962, was not in fact named by us, as he stated, but by a Derby band who rang it to a handbell peal in 1961. We also note his persistent use of the term 'New Antelope single.' Perhaps Mr. Amos would care to note that according to Central Council publications this is exactly the same as an Antelope single.

It is evident that these variations coincide with those published in 'The Ringing World,' April 10th, 1964, by David Walklate. Clearly this would not have arisen had Mr. Amos and his friends not allowed such a length of time to elapse before publishing them in 'The Ringing World.'—Yours sincerely,

JOHN A. HARRISON.

MARTIN J. KIRK.

Kirkby-in-Ashfield

### Tangley Peal

Dear Sir,—I am sorry Mr. E. A. Barnett should echo some remark made in the 1920's by the then editor of 'The Ringing World' in his reference to the Tangley peal. I cannot truthfully say I find ringing Bluebell Doubles any sillier than ringing a method called Grandsire Doubles.

The names of the method/variations at Tangley were not the important part of that peal, but that two schoolboys with less than two years' ringing learned the nine method, variations and spent a Sunday afternoon ringing them and, I may say, very well indeed. It may also be the ringers of silly named doubles to-day who will be the ringers of silly named Surprise methods of to-morrow.

P. MURDUCK.

Kingsclere.

### We don't regret asking for them

Dear Sir,—I feel that Mr. P. T. Dale, of Dundee, overlooked one or two points when he complained about certain letters dealing with service ringing records.

The first item to appear was a paragraph in 'Belfry Gossip.' I then wrote to congratulate the band concerned and suggested the publication of a list of bands with similar records. You, Mr. Editor, inserted a note after my letter which read: 'These records deserve publicity. Any others?' The letters which followed were undoubtedly written as a result of that note. In other words, they were written because 'The Ringing World' asked for them. Therefore, whatever Mr. Dale may think about the letter which I wrote, he is being grossly unfair when he criticises the others.—Yours sincerely,

H. W. COX.

Saxilby, Lincoln.

### Doubles Names

Dear Sir,—I was most interested to read David K. Walklate's letter ('Ringing World,' April 10th). In his letter he gives the compositions of 13 Doubles variations including some which, he says, have not been published before. I have these variations in my collection under other names. I would be obliged if Mr. Walklate (or some other ringer) would let me know who named these variations and when or where they were rung. The variations are Doveridge, Elton, Winsten, Chelmerston, Heath, Shirland, Pleasley, Church Greasley, Ault Hucknall, Pentrich, Brailsford, Foremark and Longford. Ault Hucknall is called Dove also—is this the Derbyshire river or dale?

I would be interested in discovering the compositions of Reading (Collection of Doubles and Minor Methods, 1939?), Newbury, Woking, Barton and Thistle. Thistle may be: P.C. of Shinwavs Pl.; All Saints' P.L. used as a bob; single unknown. Barton may be a variation of St. Simon or St. Martin.—Yours sincerely,

ROY H. JONES.

Marston, Oxford.

### Burghill's Annual Dinner

Senior members of St. Mary-the-Virgin's Church choir and belfry, together with their wives, friends and churchwardens, went by coach to the Unicorn Hotel, Weobley, for their annual dinner—an excellent meal.

The Vicar, the Rev. R. J. Coombs, in thanking the choir and bellringers for their loyalty during the past year, said the dinner was an assurance that their voluntary services to the church were not—as so often happens—being taken for granted. 'The sound of church bells ringing was one of the joys of the countryside,' he said.

F. M.

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## Nurtured on Grandsire, but...

Dear Sir.—As one who was brought up on Grandsire Doubles, I should like to air my views on this subject in response to Mr. Knight's invitation. While I shall always be indebted to my tutor for an introduction to the art, it was not until I learned Plain Bob that the right concept of change ringing began to dawn.

Let me draw a comparison at Doubles level. The suitability of any method for teaching beginners lies in its simplicity of construction, and how easy the 'blue line' looks to the learner. The method should be to him the easiest means of learning how to combine hunting, dodging and place making, but all the time he must be able to see what he is doing, and recognise his place.

While the learner should find the plain hunting in either method easy, I think Plain Bob has the edge. It is somehow 'cleaner.' When the learner makes places, surely it is easier to see how to make seconds rather than thirds. In a plain course of Plain Bob he will also learn how to make long places. The dodges are unencumbered, clearly one step up or down, but in Grandsire the all-important dodges are cluttered up with making fifths on the turn round in 4-5. The learner frequently muffs his dodge, being worried about making the place. Only when he has mastered singles will he learn how to make long places. It is then a big step to Triples, but a comparatively easy one from Plain Bob Doubles to Minor and so on. As the learner climbs through the Plain Bob family he finds the same simple fourths place bob, and the greater number of bells, the less he is affected. Yet in Grandsire he finds himself having to cope with the effect of calls in practically every position.

The popularity of Grandsire as a method undoubtedly lies in its great variety of touches and the fine music it produces on higher numbers. Unfortunately in many towers its popularity seems to be the yardstick by which its suitability for teaching to beginners is measured. It may be argued that Grandsire is better where a number of learners is involved, because it has two hunt bells and needs fewer 'inside' ringers. It seems to me that anyone holding such a view has never taught his learners to plain hunt first, but lets the method take care of this straight away. The poor learner is plunged from rounds straight into Grandsire and learns first to plain hunt on treble or two, but half the time he cannot see what he is doing because another learner has lost his place trying to master the dodge and turn round in 4-5 all at once. They are cutting each other's throats and take a long time to appreciate the importance of good striking. Yet Grandsire continues to be taught. No, like Mr. Knight, it is Plain Bob for me.

Another point concerns the means by which the Exercise gets to know of restorations, augmentations, etc. Those who try to keep their 'Dove' up to date have to rely to a large extent on scratching through 'The Ringing World' picking up details from reports kindly sent in by other ringers. Information is sometimes incomplete and I feel there are some jobs we never get to hear about at all through lack of reporting. Could not the foundries provide periodical lists in 'The Ringing World,' giving brief details of work they have completed?—Yours sincerely,

RONALD K. RUSS.

Adelaide, South Australia.

## Surprise Booklet Questions at Middlesex A.G.M.

THE annual meeting of the Middlesex Association was held at Sunbury-on-Thames on April 11th, on one of the warmest days of the year. Hampton bells were open for ringing as well as Sunbury and there were good attendances at both towers. The Association's service was at the latter church, and was taken by the incumbent, the Rev. Mr. Saville. About 70 members and friends sat down to a very good tea, at which the high spot was the excellent trifle.

Tea over, the business meeting commenced with the president, the Rev. G. C. Taylor, in the chair. The first item was a vote of thanks by the president to Mr. Saville, who was unfortunately unable to stay for the meeting.

The Master, Mr. J. R. Mayne, made his report and began by welcoming Mr. Harold Rogers, of the London County Association. He expressed his pleasure at the steady progress shown by the Middlesex, particularly in the South and West District, but he indicated that there was room for yet more progress. He also pointed out that one of the ringers' duties was to ensure that the incumbent understood about ringing and its ramifications, and that it was more than a parochial issue.

Following the adoption of the accounts, the secretary, Mr. T. J. Lock, read his report, first apologising for the fact that the annual reports were not yet to hand owing to matters outside his control. Mr. Lock also referred to the advancement of ringing in the Association, mentioning particularly the newly-installed six at Harefield, and the continued progress at St. Andrew's, Uxbridge, and Feltham. Seventy-two peals had been rung for the Association during the year and 121 quarter peals.

### MET IN A TEA SHOP

Mr. F. W. Goodfellow gave the report of the Dinner Sub-Committee on the Triennial Dinner held on October 4th last year. This had been fully reported in 'The Ringing World,' and the committee's only comment was to draw attention to the comparatively small number of resident members who attended. The committee had held six meetings at six different places, including one at a Lyons' tea shop, which nearly didn't happen as he went to the Lyons at Liverpool Street Station instead of the one at King's Cross!

All the retiring officers were re-elected, and seven new members of the Association were proposed and accepted. The members then had great pleasure in agreeing that Mr. C. E. Lankester, of Willesden, and Mr. R. Sanders, of Westminster, should be elected honorary life members. Mr. Lankester joined the Association in 1914, and Mr. Sanders has been a member for an even longer period. Both of them have done a lot for the art of church bell ringing.

Mr. Goodfellow advised the meeting that the Central Committee had decided to send the sum of £2 2s. to Mr. Hughes towards the cost of the Washington trip, together with the Association's best wishes for the success of the venture. This decision was approved by the meeting.

A query was raised concerning the publication of a booklet containing a complete list of all Surprise Major methods which have

been rung. The questioner was advised that this had been brought up at last year's Central Council meeting, and it had been put in the hands of the Methods Committee. Although both Mr. Mayne and Mr. Blagrove were on this committee, and were anxious to proceed with the booklet, they had been unable to get things moving. A suggestion was made that the matter should be transferred to the Records Committee. The discussion on this subject was closed with Mr. W. H. Coles' definition of a committee: 'A body of persons who individually can do nothing, but collectively can meet and decide that nothing can be done.'

The usual votes of thanks were passed to the captains of both towers, to Mrs. T. J. Lock for playing the organ, and to the ladies who prepared such an enjoyable tea. R. F.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Over 40 ringers and friends were the guests to tea of the local band at the ancient Cinque Port of Hythe on April 18th, when a meeting of the Ashford District was held.

There is much of the old world left in its steep winding ways, its old Vicarage and Manor House side by side, its Venetian canal and its glorious Norman church like a small cathedral, where the chancel, which has stood for 700 years, rises like the great altar at Canterbury.

The service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. E. A. Newman. Miss Anne Barber, of Folkestone, was the organist.

Tea was enjoyed at The Green Parrot. The chairman, Mr. T. Willis, opened the business part of the meeting by welcoming the Rev. and Mrs. P. T. Robbins and their ringers of Charing on their transfer from Maidstone to the Ashford District. Twelve new members were elected to the Association.

Miss Maisie Vantom, of Lydd, thanked the hon. District secretary in a few well-chosen words for presenting the meeting with a new leather-bound visitors' book, which he had made himself.

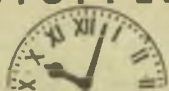
Mr. Alan Berry, the Ringing Master, conveyed the thanks of the visitors to the Vicar and organist for their kindness, the Hythe ringers for their hospitality, and to Mr. W. Bidnell for making all the arrangements.

Ringing on the fine eight (tenor 19 cwt.) continued until 9 o'clock, but seldom did justice to the bells. C. T. H.

**WIMBORNE, DORSET.**—At St. Giles' Church, on April 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: B. Baverstock 1, Judith A. Robertson 2, Christine Mould 3, Judith M. Atkinson 4, R. N. Marlow 5, R. G. W. Robertson 6, E. G. Mould (first in method as cond.) 7, M. Jenkins 8.

**YEovil, SOMERSET.**—On April 5th, at St. John the Baptist Church, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. Wyatt 1, D. S. Beaufoy 2, R. J. Fox 3, R. Moore 4, G. Gaylard 5, W. E. Turner 6, H. J. Gaylard (cond.) 7, T. J. Setter 8. For Evensong and a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. A. Wyatt, on the occasion of their silver wedding.

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## HALF PEALS

**HANDSWORTH, BIRMINGHAM.**—At St. Mary's Church, on April 4th, 2,520 Grandsire Doubles: C. Devall (first half peal) 1, Miss J. D. Woolgar 2, M. Matthews (first half peal) 3, B. D. Sims (cond.) 4, B. C. Wallis 5, R. Foster 6. Also at St. Mary's Church, on April 11th, 2,520 Plain Bob Minor: M. Matthews (first of Minor) 1, Miss J. M. Yardley (first of Minor) 2, Miss J. D. Woolgar (first of Minor) 3, B. D. Sims 4, B. C. Wallis (first of Minor) 5, M. F. Hall (first as cond.) 6.

**ALL CANNINGS, WILTS.**—On April 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. H. Burry (first quarter) 1, Pamela A. Osborne 2, D. P. Bailey (cond.) 3, P. J. Burry (first quarter) 4, K. B. Osborne 5. A birthday compliment to Mr. Ernest H. Burry.

**ASH, SURREY.**—On April 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: S. T. A. Russell 1, Angela Hawes (first 'inside') 2, A. Tuck 3, Joan Reynard 4, C. J. Champion 5, P. G. Smart (cond.) 6.

**AXMINSTER, DEVON.**—On April 21st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. C. W. Powell 1, G. S. Morris 2, H. G. Keeley 3, Rev. C. Marshall 4, F. Knight 5, Rev. R. Keeley (cond.) 6, C. W. Powell 7, J. Board 8. A birthday compliment to H.M. the Queen.

**AYLESFORD, KENT.**—On April 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Pring 1, Mrs. E. Wells 2, D. Parks 3, W. F. Linksted 4, L. Wells 5, J. Upton 6, Dr. E. S. J. Haucher (cond.) 7, D. J. Cheeseman 8. For the retirement of Canon H. J. Powell, Vicar for the past 14 years.

**BATTERSEA, LONDON.**—At St. Mary's Church, on February 23rd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. J. Hampton 1, Miss M. E. Powell 2, R. E. Foot 3, Mrs. G. G. Meyer 4, L. C. Way 5, E. E. Dodds 6, C. M. Meyer (cond.) 7, A. J. Way 8. For Evensong.

**BRINDLE, LANCS.**—On March 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Nelson (cond.) 1, W. H. Hunter 2, D. Marsden 3, F. Blackledge 4, L. Walmsley 5, J. E. Sumner 6.

**CLAPHAM PARK, LONDON.**—On April 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Cooles 1, K. Taber 2, A. Clayton 3, B. Bull 4, N. Bagworth 5, R. Stevens (first of Grandsire as cond.) 6, D. Smith 7, T. Lewis 8.

**CRANFIELD, BEDS.**—On April 12th, 1,320 Winchendon Place Bob Doubles: A. J. Weller (first quarter) 1, Pauline Hillson (first 'inside') 2, Elizabeth J. Mantion 3, D. W. Mantion 4, G. I. A. Holman (first as cond.) 5. First in method for all.

**DOVER, KENT.**—On April 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. H. George 1, C. George 2, Miss K. Todhunter 3, G. Ruck (cond.) 4, G. Gray 5, J. Walker 6, M. Godfrey 7, D. Bishop 8. A farewell to the Rev. C. Elliott, on his appointment as Vicar of Linton.

**ERLESTOKE, WILTS.**—On April 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Whiting (first away from tenor) 1, Pamela Osborne 2, D. Bailey (25th quarter as cond.) 3, C. Hillier 4, B. Osborne 5, R. Bailey 6.

**EDINBURGH, MIDLOTHIAN.**—On April 18th, at St. Cuthbert's Church, 1,440 Plain Bob Major: Miss M. Douglas (first quarter) 1, Miss M. Wilson 2, Miss E. Graham 3, F. E. Collins 4, R. S. Wilson 5, M. Pink 6, M. M. Peterson 7, M. J. Marriot (cond.) 8. First of Bob Major 3 and 4.

**FARNINGHAM, KENT.**—On April 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. S. W. Rees (first of Minor) 1, Barbara J. Leigh 2, D. P. Smith 3, Margaret C. Godfrey 4, Katharine M. Guy 5, T. Lewis (cond.) 6.

**FOLKESTONE, KENT.**—On April 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Elizabeth Todd (first of Triples) 1, A. Binfield 2, Jane Hough 3, Eleanor Hough 4, Vivienne Dye 5, Rachel Sinden 6, A. Berry (cond.) 7, A. Fasimead 8. For St. George's Day parade.

**HEATH, HERTS.**—On Feb. 19th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. T. Norris 1, C. Cook 2, C. W. Simpson 3, Miss L. Simpson 4, Miss P. Clarke (first quarter) 5, L. North 6, Miss P. Norris 7, T. Norris (cond.) 8. Also on April 12th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. T. Norris 1, C. Cook 2, E. Ashby 3, Miss L. Simpson 4, L. North 5, C. W. Simpson 6, Miss P. Norris 7, T. Norris (cond.) 8. For the dedication of a gift to the church in memory of Rev. W. G. Eccles (late Vicar).

**HOLLISWAY, LONDON.**—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, on April 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. H. Gaze (first away from cover) 1, Doreen A. Deverell 2, R. Newman 3, J. E. Reed 4, G. Parsons 5, N. F. Edwards 6, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 7, R. G. Twyman 8. Conductor's 25th tower for a quarter, and 25th quarter of Triples. For Thanksgiving service for church's 150th anniversary.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On April 19th, 1,272 Minimus (two methods): Jane Downe 1, Ruth Blackshaw (cond.) 2, M. W. Harrison 3, J. A. Heaps 4. For Evensong.

## QUARTER PEALS

**LEYLAND, LANCS.**—On Feb. 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob and Kent T.B. Minor: J. Nelson (cond.) 1, D. Marsden 2, L. Walmsley 3, J. Nixon 4, R. Crowe 5, J. E. Sumner 6. For Confirmation service. Also on April 8th, 1,260 Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent T.B. Minor: J. Nelson (cond.) 1, R. Crowe 2, J. Humble 3, G. Mee 4, D. Marsden 5, J. Nixon 6. A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sumner.

**LITTLE MISSENDEN, BUCKS.**—On April 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Diane Presdee 1, Ann Cass 2, Sarah Peck 3, R. Cass 4, R. Snack 5, A. Peck 6. Rung in honour of Rev. W. H. Davies, celebrating his 91st birthday.

**LONDON.**—On Easter Sunday, at St. Clement Dances', 1,313 Grandsire Caters: T. J. Lock 1, Elsie K. Hart 2, Catherine Powell 3, Ruth Foreman 4, H. G. Hart 5, M. B. Tyers 6, P. A. Brand 7, M. F. Lock 8, F. T. Blagrove (cond.) 9, C. F. Neal 10. For Evensong.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On April 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Neilson 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, Rachel Sinden 3, Myrtle Cook 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, R. P. Brotherton 6. For Evensong.

**MAIDENHEAD, BERKS.**—On April 12th, at All Saints', Boyne Hill, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss A. Gardner (first of Stedman) 1, E. R. Gotham 2, Mrs. M. Barton 3, S. Gibson 4, G. Lister 5, M. Barton 6, E. E. Gosling (cond.) 7, D. T. Young 8. For Evensong, and as a welcome to Marcus and Marilyn Barton, who have recently moved to Maidenhead.

**MAIDSTONE, KENT.**—On April 16th, 1,263 Stedman Caters: Mrs. L. Mannerling 1, Mrs. T. Cullingworth 2, F. S. Macey 3, W. T. Grier 4, T. E. Sone 5, T. A. Cross 6, B. F. L. Groves (first as cond.) 7, F. Hogan 8, T. Cullingworth 9, H. Smith 10. A 21st birthday compliment to the conductor.

**NORTHAMPTON.**—At the Church of St. Giles, on April 11th, 1,360 Kent Treble Bob Royal: B. E. Frost 1, A. C. Cozens 2, R. W. Smith 3, G. C. Paul (cond.) 4, Miss J. A. Downing 5, R. A. Eldridge 6, D. E. Towers 7, W. R. Hammons 8, A. A. Paul 9, G. F. Roome 10. First of Kent Royal for all except W. R. Hammons. Rung by the Northampton Branch prior to the C.E.M.S. Rally service.

**NORTHMOOR, OXON.**—On April 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Batten 1, Miss S. Cantwell 2, B. Miles 3, V. Clifton 4, D. Floyd (cond.) 5, F. Trinder 6. In honour of the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. T. Florey.

**OADBRY, LEICS.**—On April 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Jennifer M. Palmer (first quarter) 1, Margaret E. Haslam (first quarter) 2, Jean M. Whit 3, F. Haslam 4, S. J. Haines (cond.) 5, R. Joy Watkin 6. A farewell to Rev. I. D. Powell-Hughes.

**PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.**—On April 5th, at St. John's Church, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: H. Quakes 1, R. H. Daw 2, Wendy Hollowell 3, G. S. Bush 4, R. Spencer 5, M. Parker 6, F. Boyall 7, J. H. Bluff (cond.) 8. For morning service. Also as a wedding compliment to Gilbert Cowlin and Primrose Ridley, both ringers at this church.

**FRESHUTE, WILTS.**—On April 15th, 1,260 Doubles (240 Stedman, 480 Plain Bob, 540 Grandsire): A. W. Johnson 1, Mrs. M. Brown 2, A. Keen 3, M. Stevens 4, Rev. R. Keeley (cond.) 5, J. Fuller 6. First in three methods for 2, 3 and 4.

**PUTNEY, LONDON.**—On April 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. F. Mew 1, R. Cooles 2, B. H. Coatsworth 3, L. W. Allen 4, A. R. Millidge 5, D. C. Brookes (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also on April 19th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: C. W. Otley 1, B. H. Coatsworth 2, B. J. Bull 3, R. Cooles 4, A. R. Millidge 5, D. C. Brookes 6, C. F. Mew (cond.) 7, J. Harvey 8. For Evensong.

**REIGATE, SURREY.**—On April 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Knife (first quarter of Triples) 1, A. T. Shelton 2, Joan Hanning 3, W. Dunn 4, C. Cook 5, W. H. Inwood 6, K. Game (cond.) 7, S. Smith 8.

**ST. AUSTELL, CORNWALL.**—On April 8th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: P. Rowe 1, Miss V. M. Matthews 2, C. J. B. Taylor 3, A. F. Burley 4, D. N. Penrose 5, A. Carveth 6, D. Burnett 7, Rev. R. O. Fry (cond.) 8.

**ST. GLUVIAS, CORNWALL.**—On April 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss F. M. Rickard 1, Miss V. Allen 2, Miss V. Perkin 3, Mrs. A. Carveth 4, A. Carveth (cond.) 5, A. Locke 6, Rev. R. O. Fry 7, C. J. B. Taylor 8.

**SMARDEN, KENT.**—On April 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: W. C. Marshall 1, Mary Marshall 2, Elizabeth Stewart 3, D. Marshall 4, G. Stewart 5, M. W. Marshall (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. M. D. Marshall.

**SOLIHULL, WARWICKS.**—On April 19th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: W. Leeson 1, V. W. Rigg 2, C. Dale 3, Pamela M. Turner 4, R. J. Cann 5, G. E. Fearn 6, T. J. Warner (cond.) 7, G. Palmer 8, C. Bragg 9, A. Crabtree 10. For Patronal Festival Evensong.

**SPROTBOROUGH, YORKS.**—On April 5th, 1,280 Oxford T.B. Major: Miss M. Bauram 1, J. Thorley 2, E. Dalington 3, E. Short 4, C. Toyne 5, H. Wagstaff 6, J. McCluskey 7, W. E. Critchley (cond.) 8.

**STANTON HARCOURT, OXON.**—On April 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Batten 1, Miss S. Cantwell 2, A. Cantwell 3, F. Trinder 4, D. Floyd (cond.) 5, P. Trinder 6. After a wedding.

**STOKE-NEXT-GUILDFORD, SURREY.**—On April 15th, 1,260 Doubles (11 methods): Patricia Sanky 1, Diane Street 2, Patricia J. Laycock 3, Pamela R. Gough 4, Elizabeth Stevinson (cond.) 5, J. Stacey 6. First in 11 methods for all.

**TADCASTER, YORKS.**—On April 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: S. Burnett (first on eight) 1, Susan Thompson (first in method) 2, C. Banton 3, A. Hick 4, P. Harrison 5, W. Stead 6, J. Harrison (cond.) 7, C. Sollitt 8. For Evensong and also as a birthday compliment to Mr. E. Tiplady (tower secretary).

**WALKINGTON, E. YORKS.**—On April 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: E. M. Haynes 1, G. E. Drew (first in method as cond.) 2, J. A. Waterworth (first 'inside') 3, P. A. Teal 4, J. Gray 5, N. W. Castle (first in method) 6. First by the tower's own band and conductor. For the wedding of Eira and David Hunt. Also on April 12th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: P. Haynes (12) years, first quarter) 1, R. W. Forbes 2, E. M. Haynes (cond.) 3, P. A. Teal 4, J. Gray 5, N. W. Castle 6. For Evensong and a birthday compliment to P. A. Teal.

**WAREHAM, DORSET.**—On April 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: P. R. Keough (first quarter) 1, R. W. Young 2, M. J. Young 3, Mary E. Elmes (first as cond.) 4, G. W. Elmes 5, Colin J. Fooks 6.

**WARSOP, NOTTS.**—On March 8th, 1,440 Kentish Delight Minor: R. Lucas 1, M. Foster 2, G. Chalmers 3, F. Cooke 4, D. H. Rooke (cond.) 5, H. T. Rooke 6. For Evensong. Also on March 14th, 1,296 Norwich Surprise Minor: Miss A. C. Rooke 1, H. T. Rooke 2, F. Flint 3, R. Lucas 4, F. Cooke 5, D. H. Rooke (cond.) 6. In honour of the birth of a third son to H.M. the Queen. Also on March 22nd, 1,260 Single Oxford Bob Minor: D. H. Rooke 1, P. Mellor 2, M. Foster 3, R. Lucas 4, F. Cooke 5, H. T. Rooke (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**WATFORD, HERTS.**—On April 19th, 1,184 Cambridge Surprise Major: W. G. Paul 1, Jennifer M. Bunyan 2, R. D. Bell 3, Kathleen Baldwin 4, D. Laud 5, R. G. Bell 6, R. Baldwin (cond.) 7, G. W. Seaman 8. For morning prayer. Congratulations to Jennifer Bunyan on gaining her W.R.A.C. commission.

**WESTON, BATH.**—On March 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. R. Young 1, A. F. Lee 2, L. R. G. Taylor 3, Mrs. M. de Jong 4, T. W. Harris 5, H. L. Parfrey (cond.) 6, K. C. Brain 7, J. A. Hurfur 8. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to the Rev. J. Tunwell, a chairman of the Bath branch, who died on March 26th.

**WILBURTON, CAMBS.**—On April 19th, 1,320 Doubles (Grandsire, St. Simon and Plain Bob): G. Yarrow 1, G. Markwell 2, F. Yarrow 3, G. Walker 4, A. Yarrow (cond.) 5, F. Sharp 6. For Evensong and golden wedding compliment to Mr. Vessey, once a ringer, and Mrs. Vessey.

**WITCHAMPTON, DORSET.**—On April 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Ruth A. Elmes 1, Mary E. Elmes (first in method) 2, Wendy I. Urry 3, Judith A. Robertson 4, G. W. Elmes (cond., 50th quarter) 5, R. G. W. Robertson 6. First quarter 1 and 3. For the Festival of St. Serf.

**WOKINGHAM, BERKS.**—On Easter Day, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss L. Hope 1, Miss M. J. Longhurst 2, K. C. Begrie 3, A. Corran 4, K. R. Goddard 5, H. E. Mitchell 6, R. H. Begrie (cond.) 7, F. G. Begrie 8. First in Triples 1, 4 and 8.

**WYMESWOLD, LEICS.**—On April 16th, 2,160 Treble Bob Minor (15 methods): T. Dutton and Miss S. Meredith 1, Miss C. Froggatt 2, B. Buwell 3, Mrs. D. Bradley 4, F. Bradley 5, B. Mills (cond.) 6. **YORK.**—At the Minster, on March 29th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: C. Reeves 1, S. Thompson 2, D. Clegg 3, M. E. Wilkman 4, M. Stanforth 5, D. Pearson 6, H. Walker 7, A. Leggett (cond.) 8.



**QUARTER PEALS**

**BALDOCK, HERTS.**—On April 19th, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: June Dear 1, A. Buck (first in method) 2, E. Buck (cond.) 3, C. Harwood 4, D. Salisbury 5, D. Sutcliffe 6, C. M. Orme 7, J. S. Dear 8. For Family Communion.

**BISHOPSTOKE, HANTS.**—On April 19th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob rung alternately): Caroline Vibert 1, Linda Cull (first quarter) 2, S. Kirby (first 'inside') 3, D. Forder 4, T. Chapman (cond.) 5, W. Durrant 6.

**CLIFTON, BRISTOL.**—At Emmanuel Church, on April 1st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: W. Willans 1, C. T. Rawlings 2, W. Abraham 3, P. L. Pearce 4, P. M. J. Gray 5, M. H. Gregory 6, A. W. T. Cleaver (cond.) 7, W. F. Bonner 8. First of Major 1, 2 and 6. Rung on the 75th birthday of ringer of 2nd.

**EDGMOND, SHROPSHIRE.**—On April 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: R. H. Silvester 1, B. K. Wickstead (first 'inside') 2, G. E. Morrall (cond.) 3, E. C. Morrall 4, J. A. Morrey 5, L. Barber 6. For Evensong.

**FARMBOROUGH, SOMERSET.**—On April 12th, 1,272 Kent T.B. Minor: K. T. Baker 1, A. Perry 2, Rosemary Smith 3, Margaret Wright 4, R. Smith 5, M. Horseman (cond.) 6. For the christening of Judith Margaret Marshall, granddaughter of the Rector.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On April 12th, 1,320 Doubles (three methods): D. Barker 1, M. W. Harrison 2, J. Dowse 3, R. Blackshaw (cond.) 4, J. A. Heaps Tenor. For Evensong. Also on April 16th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: D. Barker and G. Marsh 1, R. Blackshaw (cond.) 2, J. Dowse 3, M. W. Harrison 4, R. Inglis 5, B. McAvan and D. Barker 6. A compliment to Julia Pendred-Brears and Timothy Middup, married this day.

**HYDE, CHESHIRE.**—On Easter Day, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: N. Bennett 1, Ann Hardman 2, J. Wood 3, M. Mortin 4, C. Dewsnap 5, A. Scholfield 6, D. Ashton 7, J. Booth (cond.) 8. First quarter 1, 2 and 3.

**ISLEWORTH, MIDDX.**—On April 12th, 1,263 Stedman Caters: Mrs. K. Parr 1, J. M. H. Hunter 2, Patricia Rogers 3, June Creak 4, M. P. Thomas 5, Mrs. O. L. Rogers 6, C. H. Rogers 7, P. N. Felton 8, H. W. Rogers (cond.) 9, N. F. Felton 10.

**NOTICES—continued**

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—The 85th A.G.M. will be held on Whit Monday, May 18th, at Chelmsford. Service, conducted by the Provost, at 11 a.m. Address by the Right Rev. T. Steward Smith, Assistant Bishop. Annual meeting immediately after service in Chapter House. Coffee, etc., available in Cathedral Hall from 10.15-10.45 a.m. Lunch 1.30 p.m., cost 5s. 6d. Tea, as a running buffet, from 5-6.15 p.m., cost 2s. 6d. Ringing: Cathedral (12), 9.30-10.45 a.m. and from 4-8 p.m. From 3-6 p.m.: Great Waltham, Boreham, Broomfield, Little Waltham, Little Baddow: from 6-9 p.m.: Great Baddow, Writtle, Galleywood, Springfield. Lunch and tea cannot be guaranteed without tickets, obtainable from Gen. Sec., s.a.e. with remittance, please.—F. V. Gant, 3, Central Drive, Hornchurch. 4595

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Annual festival, Clifford, Whit Monday, May 18th. Bells (8) from 10.30 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. and 5.30 to 9 p.m. Service 3.30. Tea 4.15 p.m., followed by A.G.M. Other towers, from 10.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. and 5.30 to 8.30 p.m.: Almeley, Bredwardine, Clyro, Eardisley, Glasbury-on-Wye, Peterchurch, Staunton-on-Wye, Talgarth, Whitney-on-Wye and Weobley. Names for tea by May 12th, please, to G. T. Cousins, The Flat, Police Station, Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire. 4587

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS**

Members are reminded of the meeting to be held in Cardiff on Saturday, June 6th, when the programme will include luncheon, business meeting and ringing at Newport, Llandaff and Cardiff. Full details later.

John Chilcott, 4553

**CHURCH OF ST. REMIGIUS, HETHERSETT, NORFOLK. GRAND RINGING DAY.**

Saturday, July 4th, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. To celebrate 60 years an Octave, also 25 years of the recast ring. Holy Communion, 9.30 a.m. Buffet Lunch, 12 noon-1.30 p.m. Festal Evensong, 4.15 p.m. Tea, 5.15 p.m.

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**OBITUARY****MR. LLEWELLYN ALLUM**

The death took place at the East Suffolk Hospital, on April 17th, of Llewellyn Allum, late of Stonham Aspal, at the early age of 27.

'Chummy,' as he was locally known, began to ring in his early teens, and soon joined the then Framsdon band. Very quick to learn, he was soon ringing Spliced Surprise and London. Although he had only rang 20 peals they were of a good standard.

As a last respect a peal of Yorkshire (his favourite method) was rung upon the bells where he learnt his change ringing. All who took part were members of that band. To his young widow we offer our deepest sympathy: they had been married only 18 months.

L. G. B.

**LATE NOTICES**

**SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—Meeting Rayleigh (8), Saturday, May 2nd. Bells 3. Service 5. Cups of tea. 4613

**HEREFORD GUILD.**—Bromyard District. —Quarterly meeting, Whitbourne, May 9th at 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Reservations to R. L. Price, 18, New Road, Bromyard, by May 7th latest. 4616

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Two of the nine bells which were hung under a canopy at The Lea, Wittersham, Kent, the home of Mr. Laurence H. F. Irving, have been stolen. The bells, cast by Mears and Stainbank in 1869, were used by Sir Henry Irving when he took over the management of the Lyceum Theatre, London, in 1878. Mr. Laurence Irving is a grandson of the famous actor.

Congratulations to Mr. Malcolm Phipps on becoming a licentiate member of the Royal Institute of Chemistry.

Mr. John Robinson writes correcting the date of the peal at Old Glossop (page 279) to March 24th and not April 4th.

Mr. Douglas Hughes informs us that the trip programme from Washington has arrived and looks formidable, with activities from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. on most days.

After the peal at Kelvedon, Essex, on April 18th, the band was hospitably entertained to tea by Mr. J. Papworth and Mr. and Mrs. J. Elliott, and this was followed by handbell ringing—all very enjoyable.

The shedding by the Rabbits' Guild of its cloak of anonymity is taken as a sign of its established prestige. The belfry visitors' book of Bath Abbey is the richer for the signature of the Master, and his office.

David J. Salter and David P. Sturge are the first members of the Radley College Society to ring a tower bell peal. David Collins, secretary of the Society, would have been in this attempt on March 30th but had to play for College Evensong.

Mr. B. E. Matthews, of London, writes: 'The band who called at Warminster on April 19th would like, through your columns, to express their thanks to the local band who generously forsook a quarter peal attempt to allow the visitors to ring.'

'The Belfry News': 'We have heard of another case recently where a Vicar opposes sound control because he knows that the bottled-up sound vibrations may damage the tower. It is difficult to convince people who have a confidence bred of complete ignorance of this subject that they are wrong.'

## BELFRY GOSSIP

A peal of Minor at Thruxton, Hampshire, on April 11th, ran into unexpected difficulties. A man entered the ground-floor ringing chamber with a certain amount of alcoholic loquaciousness, and it was 15 minutes before he was persuaded to leave. Fortunately the band kept cool and survived the interruption.

St. Dunstan's, Canterbury, Sunday service record is ringing twice every Sunday since 1945, as well as for special services during the week.

A peal of Doubles in seven methods at Handsworth, conducted by Mr. Bernard D. Sims, contained five first peals and a first as conductor. A good start!

Mr. Raymond Hart, who organised the peal at Church Lawford on April 14th, to the regret of his colleagues could not participate owing to an injured foot. John Webb is thanked for standing in at short notice.

The new R.C. Church of Our Lady and St. Joseph, Balls Pond Road, Dalston, Islington, which was consecrated on April 12th by Archbishop Heenan, has a ring of eight bells (tenor 4½ cwt. in E), from Mears and Stainbank. The bells are hung dead.

The quarter peal rung at Somerby on March 19th was to the memory of Mr. D. R. Moore, father of Mrs. Harrison, and not as printed on page 275. The Rev. A. W. Harrison, Vicar of Somerby, is still alive and well. Our apologies to all concerned.

Mr. G. Burge, captain of ringers at St. Mary's, Bridgwater, informs us that in connection with the royal birth his band were in the tower within 10 or 15 minutes of the B.B.C. announcement and rang out the good news. Local newspaper reporters were also present.

We are pleased to learn that Mr. J. David Clarke, of Whatton, Nottingham, is shortly returning home from the Nottingham General Hospital after a serious illness. He will be recuperating at home but some time must elapse before he is ringing again. Best of luck, David.

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## LLANDAFF PEAL WEEK

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## BLAENAVON, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

On Thurs., April 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. in A flat.

RUTH HAVARD .. .. Treble	*DAVID S. BISHOP .. .. 5
*PENELOPE J. WELCH .. .. 2	ROGER KING .. .. 6
MARY PRYOR .. .. 3	NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON .. 7
ROGER G. HAVARD .. .. 4	DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by DAVID J. LLEWELLYN.  
\* First peal of Surprise. First of Yorkshire on the bells.

## RUMNEY, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

On Fri., April 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In four methods: (1) Cambridge S., (2) Kent T.B., (3) Oxford T.B.,  
(4, 5, 6, 7) Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 27 lb. in F sharp.

PENELOPE J. WELCH .. Treble	GEOFFREY J. B. STICKLAND 4
MARY PRYOR .. .. 2	RONALD C. LUCAS .. .. 5
CHRISTINE GLASTONBURY .. 3	NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON .. Tenor

Conducted by NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON.

\* First peal on six bells.

## EBBW VALE, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

On Mon., April 6, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in D.

JOHNSON'S.	*JACK ALSOP .. .. 5
DONALD G. CLIFT .. Treble	DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. 6
GLYN F. JENKINS .. .. 2	WILLIAM THOMSETT .. .. 7
MICHAEL P. MORETON .. 3	WILFRID F. MORETON .. Tenor
ROGER KING .. .. 4	

Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.

\* First peal of Surprise.

## BASSALEG, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

On Fri., April 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BASIL,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In five methods: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Kent T.B., (3) Oxford  
T.B., (4, 5) St. Clement's, (6, 7) Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

MARY PRYOR .. .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER BAINHAM .. 4
CHRISTINE GLASTONBURY .. 2	JOHN MANLEY .. .. 5
RONALD C. LUCAS .. .. 3	NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON .. Tenor

Conducted by NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON.

First peal on these steel bells.

## LLANDAFF, GLAMORGAN.

On Wed., April 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF 5079 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr. in E.

DONALD G. CLIFT .. Treble	*PENELOPE J. WELCH .. .. 6
ROGER G. HAVARD .. .. 2	DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. 7
THOMAS YEOMANS .. .. 3	*GEOFFREY J. B. STICKLAND 8
JOHN MANLEY .. .. 4	NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON .. 9
DAVID S. BISHOP .. .. 5	WILLIAM J. GOODFELLOW Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by DONALD G. CLIFT.

\* First peal of Stedman.

## NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

On Mon., April 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part (seventh obs.). Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 17 lb. in F.

LESLIE BAINHAM .. Treble	JOHN MANLEY .. .. 5
*MARY PRYOR .. .. 2	GEOFFREY J. B. STICKLAND 6
CHRISTOPHER BAINHAM .. 3	NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON .. 7
†RICHARD T. SMITH .. 4	‡RUSSELL WATERS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by NICHOLAS W. H. SIMON.

\* First peal of Triples. † First 'inside.' ‡ First on eight bells.  
Fastest peal on the bells.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

## CAMBRIDGE.

On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes,  
AT THE UNIVERSITY CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-GREAT.

## A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 27 cwt. 13 lb. in C sharp.

K. J. DARVILL (St. Cath.'s) Treble	M. L. J. JORDAN (Trin. Hall) 7
C. H. ROGERS (Emmanuel) 2	W. T. COOK (Jesus) .. .. 8
J. M. H. HUNTER (Trinity) 3	C. M. P. JOHNSON (Selwyn) 9
L. R. H. SMITH (Queens') .. 4	J. R. TAYLOR (St. Cath.'s) .. 10
I. M. SMITH (Peterhouse) .. 5	B. D. THRELFALL (Trinity) 11
A. S. HUDSON (Clare) .. 6	P. A. F. CHALK (Selwyn) .. Tenor

Conducted by ANDREW S. HUDSON.

CHRISTCHURCH, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 4 Hours and 2 Minutes,

AT THE PRIORY CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 27 cwt. in D.

*MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY Treble	*FRANK L. HARRIS .. .. 7
*ANN M. COX .. .. 2	†LEWIS F. COBB .. .. 8
*JAMES E. DANIELS .. .. 3	*JOHN HARTLESS .. .. 9
REGINALD W. REX .. .. 4	*DAVID E. HOUSE .. .. 10
*MICHAEL J. BEST .. .. 5	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. 11
*PHILIP N. TUBBS .. .. 6	*RONALD N. MARLOW .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK L. HARRIS.

\* First peal of Surprise Maximus. † First of Maximus.

## TEN BELL PEALS

## WORSLEY, LANCASHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

## A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB ROYAL

Tenor 24 cwt. 7 lb.

DAVID VINCENT .. Treble	*SYDNEY G. OSBORNE .. 6
*BERNARD MOSS .. .. 2	*HAROLD WORRALL .. .. 7
NORMAN TOMPKINS .. .. 3	*MICHAEL THOMPSON .. 8
*VICTOR NEALE .. .. 4	*CHRISTOPHER JONES .. 9
*JOHN RYDER .. .. 5	HARRY W. HOWARD .. .. Tenor

Composed by F. W. GROCOTT.

Conducted by HAROLD WORRALL.

\* First peal of Little Bob Royal.

## WESTMINSTER.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT DANES.

## A PEAL OF 5093 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 17 lb. in E.

THOMAS J. LOCK .. Treble	*MICHAEL B. TYERS .. .. 6
ELSIE K. HART .. .. 2	†PAUL A. BRAND .. .. 7
NORMAN S. BAGWORTH .. 3	‡MARTIN F. LOCK .. .. 8
RUTH M. FOREMAN .. .. 4	FRANK T. BLAGROVE .. 9
HENRY G. HART .. .. 5	CHARLES F. NEAL .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRANK T. BLAGROVE.

\* First peal on ten bells. † First of Caters. ‡ First in the method.

## MELTON MOWBRAY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb. in D.

ROBERT W. HINDE .. Treble	TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. 6
ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. 2	PETER J. STANFORTH .. 7
*HILARY F. MARTIN .. .. 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 8
ARTHUR S. RICHARDS .. 4	MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 9
CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. 5	PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PHILIP A. CORBY.

\* First peal of Royal.

## BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., April 16, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 25½ cwt.

ANGELA GRAINGER .. Treble	*JOHN R. NORRIS .. .. 6
PEGGY E. TAYLOR .. .. 2	W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON .. 7
ANGELA M. WRIGHT .. 3	DOUGLAS SNOSWELL .. 8
ALBERT W. BOND .. .. 4	BERNARD G. NORTH .. .. 9
*IAN R. VAUGHAN .. .. 5	BERNARD J. STONE .. .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM WILLSON.

Conducted by W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON.

\* First peal on ten bells.

Rung to celebrate the dedication of the bells on Thursday, April 16th, 1914 — 50 years to the day.

## BEDDINGTON, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

(The St. Mary's, Beddington, Society.)

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

## A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in E flat.

*JULIET S. STOV .. Treble	†RAYMOND J. TALBOT .. 6
FRANK E. DARBY .. .. 2	LEONARD BANCE .. .. 7
JEAN L. LAVENDER .. .. 3	STEWART F. KIMBER .. 8
RAYMOND E. FINCH .. .. 4	MICHAEL V. CHILCOTT .. 9
JOHN SCHOFIELD .. .. 5	FRANK D. JENNINGS .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES H. KIPPIN.

Conducted by FRANK E. DARBY.

\* First attempt for a peal. † First on ten bells.



GUILDFORD, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.  
*On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS.  
**A PEAL OF 5130 GRANDSIRE CATERS**  
Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in E.

*†CHRISTOPHER F. MEW .. Treble	*BRIAN H. COATSWORTH .. 6
HADLEY HUNTER .. .. 2	*RICHARD C. STEVENS .. 7
*ALAN R. MILLIDGE .. .. 3	*DAVID C. BROOKES .. 8
CHRISTOPHER H. ROGERS .. 4	WILFRED G. WILSON .. 9
*†BRIAN J. BULL .. .. 5	STANLEY G. PONTING .. Tenor

Composed by G. HAYWARD. Conducted by CHRISTOPHER F. MEW.  
\* First peal of Caters. † 25th peal together. ‡ First on ten.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.  
LONDON COUNTY ASSN. & N. SOUTHWARK DIO. GUILD.  
*On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Composer's Circuit DX.	Tenor 16 cwt. 24 lb. in E.
PETER D. CHAPMAN .. Treble	*PETER N. FELTON .. 6
*PATRICIA ROGERS .. .. 2	DENNIS A. HEWITT .. 7
*HADLEY HUNTER .. .. 3	WILFRID G. WILSON .. 8
OLIVE L. ROGERS .. .. 4	*CHRISTOPHER H. ROGERS .. 9
†DENNIS ELLISDON .. .. 5	HAROLD W. ROGERS .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by HAROLD W. ROGERS.  
\* First peal of Yorkshire Royal. † First of Royal. ‡ First of Surprise.

ROTHERHAM, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
*On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 35 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE ROYAL**

In 27 methods, consisting of 240 changes each of Albanian, Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Lindsey, London No. 3, Mirfield, Oakham, Prittlewell, Pudsey, Ranmoor, Rutland, Selby, Staffordshire, York and Yorkshire, 120 each of Abingdon, Coalbrookdale, Banbury, Haslemere, Inveraray, Leek, Marsden, Ossett, Sunderland, Wembley, Whitby and Yeovil: with 122 changes of method.  
Tenor 34½ cwt.  
ELSIE CHADDOCK .. Treble | DONALD H. NIBLETT .. 6  
JEANNE E. BOTTOMLEY .. 2 | GORDON BENFIELD .. 7  
W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. 3 | WILFRID F. MORETON .. 8  
J. HENRY FIELDEN .. 4 | JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK .. 9  
VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. 5 | NORMAN CHADDOCK .. Tenor

Composed by DONALD H. NIBLETT. Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.  
The most methods rung in a peal of Royal.  
These five methods are rung in a peal for the first time:—

Abingdon:  
—30—16—50—18—14—50—16—50—16—50. 1.h. 12. 1426  
Coalbrookdale:  
—30—14.50.12—16—14—50.14—14.30.14—14.30. 1.h. 12. 1089.  
Leek:  
—30—16—50—38—70—38—14—30—16—30. 1.h. 12. 1648.  
Sunderland:  
—30—16—50—18—70—18—14—30—18—30. 1.h. 12. 1648.  
Yeovil:  
—30—16—50—18—70—18—16—70—58—10. 1.h. 12. 1426.

SOUTHAMPTON, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
*On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb. in E flat.	
GORDON W. LAND .. Treble	R. ROGER SAVORY .. 6
MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. 2	JOHN R. FAITHFULL .. 7
JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD .. 3	J. KEITH WARD .. 8
*PETER J. JOYCE .. .. 4	ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. 9
FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. 5	BRIAN BLADON .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.  
\* First peal on ten. First of Royal as conductor.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
*On Tues., March 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.*  
AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

**A PEAL OF 5152 ROTHLEY SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in C.	
RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. Treble	A. JAMES POYNOR .. 5
*SANDRA E. CHESTERTON .. 2	G. RONALD EDWARDS .. 6
RAYMOND BENFIELD .. 3	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. 7
REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. 4	BRIAN G. WARWICK .. Tenor

Composed by SHIRLEY BURTON. Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.  
\* 50th peal for the Guild. First in the method.  
A birthday compliment to Sandra E. Chesterton.

ROTHLEY SURPRISE MAJOR  
x 36 x 14 x 58 x 36 x 14 x 1258 x 36 x 78  
L.E. 12. 1352. F.C.E.'s 32465, 43265.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.  
*On Mon., April 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes.*  
AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

**A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in B.

JOHN C. SHONFELD .. Treble	HARRY POYNOR .. 5
DAVID W. FRIEND .. .. 2	*MICHAEL POPPLESTON .. 6
MARY C. POYNOR .. .. 3	B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. 7
RAYMOND BENFIELD .. .. 4	G. RONALD EDWARDS .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. TIPLER. Conducted by RAYMOND BENFIELD.  
\* First peal of Surprise.

LEIGH, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
*On Wed., April 8, 1964, in 3 Hours.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5152 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt.	
MARYL CROSSTHWAITE .. Treble	JOHN P. PARTINGTON .. 5
MARGARET E. FORT .. .. 2	*RICHARD PARKER .. 6
*RICHARD STARKIE .. .. 3	GEOFFREY FOTHERGILL .. 7
JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. 4	JOHN ASHCROFT .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WILDE. Conducted by JOHN ASHCROFT.  
\* First peal of Major in the method.  
Rung in honour of the Feast of the Annunciation.

MEASHAM, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.  
*On Wed., April 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE.

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Heywood's variation.	Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb.
GEORGE L. ROOBOTTOM .. Treble	DOROTHY T. GARDINER .. 5
HOWARD HOWELL .. .. 2	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. 6
DAVID W. BRUNNING .. .. 3	BARNABAS G. KEY .. 7
E. MARION KEY .. .. 4	WILLIAM H. CURSON .. Tenor

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

EXETER, DEVONSHIRE.  
THE GUILD OF CLERICAL RINGERS.  
*On Thurs., April 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS-THE-MARTYR.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in F sharp.	
REV. J. B. T. HOMFRAY .. Treble	CANON F. A. SANDERS .. 5
REV. S. M. EVANS .. .. 2	REV. R. D. ST. J. SMITH .. 6
REV. E. B. WOOD .. .. 3	REV. C. J. B. MARSHALL .. 7
REV. P. T. ROBBINS .. .. 4	REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. BURTON. Conducted by REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE.  
A birthday compliment to Preb. J. H. B. Andrews, M.B.E., hon. secretary of the Guild of Clerical Ringers.

ANDOVER, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
*On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt.	
*MRS. JANE TARRANT .. Treble	PAUL G. HOLMES .. 5
†EDDIE COX .. .. 2	PHILIP MURDUCK .. 6
DENBY P. MURDUCK .. 3	*TERRY TARRANT .. 7
MICHAEL G. HOLBROOK .. 4	GEOFFREY K. DODD .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.  
\* First peal on eight bells. † First on eight away from tenor.

GRAYSHOTT, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
*On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE.

**A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb.	
*HILARY N. KIPPIN .. Treble	*ALAN D. ELSMORE .. 5
*PETER J. JOYCE .. .. 2	TOM PAGE .. 6
G. KENNETH WILLIAMSON .. 3	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. 7
*PETER G. SHERWOOD .. 4	W. JOHN COUPERTHWAIT .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON. Conducted by W. JOHN COUPERTHWAIT.  
\* First peal in the method.

GREAT TEW, OXFORDSHIRE.  
THE UNIVERSITIES' ASSOCIATION.  
*On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

**A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 22 cwt. 10 lb. in D.	
STEPHEN IVIN .. Treble	DON C. EXELL .. 5
JENNIFER M. TAYLOR .. 2	DAVID J. FORDER .. 6
BRUCE WAKEFIELD .. 3	RICHARD F. B. SPEED .. 7
JAMES R. TAYLOR .. 4	WILFRID F. MORETON .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.



HOOK NORTON, OXFORDSHIRE.  
THE UNIVERSITIES' ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. Peter.

# **A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 20 cwt. in E.

AVRIL IVIN .. .. .	Treble	DAVID J. FORDER .. .. .	5
JENNIFER M. TAYLOR .. .. .	2	WILFRID F. MORETON .. .. .	6
DON C. EXELL .. .. .	3	JAMES R. TAYLOR .. .. .	7
BRUCE WAKEFIELD .. .. .	4	STEPHEN IVIN .. .. .	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. Peter.

# **A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

A FEEL OF 3040 STEEDMAN TRIFLES		Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb.	
Heywood's variation.			
BARRY CORBISHLEY .. .. .	Treble	E. MARION KEY .. .. .	5
IVOR R. NICHOLS .. .. .	2	ROY WORRALL .. .. .	6
WALTER SHERRATT .. .. .	3	BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. .	7
NORMAN SHERRATT .. .. .	4	BRIAN SCHOFIELD .. .. .	Tenor

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. Nicholas.

# **A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in E.

PERCY STONE .. .. .	Treble	IAN D. THOMPSON .. .. .	5
*KEITH F. GARDNER .. .. .	2	JOHN W. T. TAYLOR .. .. .	6
COLIN SWEENEY .. .. .	3	DAVID J. ALLEN .. .. .	7
†IAN P. UNSWORTH .. .. .	4	PETER BORDER .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by H. CASHMORE. Conducted by PETER BORDER.

\* First peal of Major 'inside.' † First of Major. ‡ First in the method.

Rung with the best wishes of the band to Sarah Lesley Callow, born this day.

FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sun., April 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist.

# **A PEAL OF 5056 ASHTEAD SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

GEOFFREY FOTHERGILL .. .. .	Treble	BRIAN TOMLINSON .. .. .	5
DAVID VINCENT .. .. .	2	ALBERT GREENHALGH .. .. .	6
MARGARET E. FORT .. .. .	3	BERNARD MOSS .. .. .	7
JOHN P. PARTINGTON .. .. .	4	JOHN ASHCROFT .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by DENNIS CARLISLE. Conducted by JOHN ASHCROFT.

First 'pull' in the method for all. The treble ringer has now 'circled the tower.'

SPALDING, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., April 13, 1964, in 3 Hours.

At the Church of Our Lady and St. Nicholas.

# **A PEAL OF 5152 SPALDING SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in F.

DENIS WOODS .. .. .	Treble	RAYMOND H. DAW .. .. .	5
EDWIN T. CHAPMAN .. .. .	2	RONALD C. NOON .. .. .	6
DEREK J. JONES .. .. .	3	CYRIL R. BURRELL .. .. .	7
GEORGE W. MASSEY .. .. .	4	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by JOHN REEVES. Conducted by BRIAN HARRIS.

Spalding Surprise Major is not an extension of Spalding Surprise Minor.

FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.  
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Tues., April 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary.

# **A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 16½ cwt.

LAWRENCE R. PIZZE .. .. .	Treble	NEVILLE F. WHITTELL .. .. .	5
GEORGE E. SYMONDS .. .. .	2	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. .	6
ALAN R. BRIDGES .. .. .	3	LEONARD E. LAST .. .. .	7
HAROLD W. H. LEATHER .. .. .	4	ERNEST G. PEARCE .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX. Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

Rung to celebrate the wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Bridges.

SPALDING SURPRISE MAJOR  
x 38 x 14.56 x 56.38 x 14 x 12.58 x 14 x 58  
2nds place 1.e.

ALDERMASTON, BERKSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Wed., April 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary.

# **A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

A FEEL OF 50% FLAIN BOB MAJOR			
Pritchard's.		Tenor 10 cwt.	
DENBY P. MURDUCK	.. Treble	PAUL G. HOLMES	.. .. 5
PHILIP MURDUCK	.. .. 2	DAVID L. WILCOX	.. .. 6
MICHAEL G. HOLBROOK	.. .. 3	GEOFFREY K. DODD	.. .. 7
*JOHN PARES	.. .. 4	REGINALD F. CROOK	.. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.

\* First peal of Major.

DARESBURY, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Wed., April 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.  
At the Church of All Saints.

# **A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Johnson's variation.				Tenor 16 cwt.			
*MICHAEL THOMPSON	..	Treble		HAROLD WORRALL	..	..	5
JOHN RYDER	..	..	2	BERNARD MOSS	..	..	6
DAVID VINCENT	..	..	3	HARRY W. HOWARD	..	..	7
MARGARET E. FORT	..	..	4	JOHN ASHCROFT	..	..	Tenor

Conducted by JOHN ASHCROFT.

\* First peal of Surprise.

In memoriam Sydney Hough, sen.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.  
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.  
On Wed., April 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. Peter.

# **A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lb. in A flat.

ROBERT E. LESTER .. .. .	Treble	GEORGE W. PIPE .. .. .	5
REGINALD C. KERSEY .. .. .	2	NEVILLE F. WHITTELL .. .. .	6
*ALICE E. J. LESTER .. .. .	3	ANDREW T. BECKWITH .. .. .	7
ROGER L. K. WHITTELL .. .. .	4	HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN. Conducted by HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE.

\* First peal in the method.

Rung in memoriam George Shipp (1888-1964).

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.  
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & N. LONDON DIO. GUILD.  
On Thurs., April 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. Mary.

# **A PEAL OF 5120 HOUNSLOW SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

MARTIN F. LOCK .. .. .	Treble	DENNIS KNOX .. .. .	5
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. .	2	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. .. .	6
THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. .	3	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. .. .	7
ALICK CUTLER .. .. .	4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

First peal in the method.

BREWOD, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.  
On Fri., April 17, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.  
At the Church of SS. MARY-THE-VIRGIN AND CHAD.

# **A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Parker's Twelve-Part (seventh observation).		Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb.	
*IAN RIMMER	.. .. . Treble	ROGER L. HAWKSWORTH	.. .. . 5
†DAVID HAWKSWORTH	.. .. . 2	ROBERT G. W. BROUGHTON	.. .. . 6
WILLIAM ALLSOP	.. .. . 3	LEWIS ROBERTS	.. .. . 7
BARNABAS G. KEY	.. .. . 4	ARTHUR ALLSOP	.. .. . Tenor

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.'

Rung prior to the induction of the Rev. Rolf Schottelvijs as Vicar of Brewod and Bishop's Wood.

All except the conductor are members of the Sunday service band.

ERITH, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Fri., April 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

# **A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Washbrook's variation.		Tenor 15 cwt. in G.	
CYRIL S. JARRETT .. ..	<i>Treble</i>	ALEC W. FRY .. ..	5
*CHRISTOPHER T. OSENIEN .. ..	2	GEORGE J. BUTCHER .. ..	6
HERBERT E. AUDSLEY .. ..	3	TREVOR A. CROSS .. ..	7

Conducted by TREVOR A. CROSS.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples. First in the method as conductor.

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**SIX BELL PEALS**

RANWORTH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Feb. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Helen.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In two methods, being one extent of St. Clement's Bob and six of Plain Bob.

ANDREW R. HARVEY .. Treble	HORACE V. LUBBOCK .. 4
*STEPHEN F. HIGH .. 2	GILBERT E. LARTER .. 5
JOCELYN B. GARDINER .. 3	H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. Tenor

Conducted by H. WILLIAM BARRETT.

\* First peal in two methods.

HANDSWORTH, BIRMINGHAM.

NON-ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

At the Parish Church of St. Mary.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In seven methods, being six extents each of Plain Bob, April Day, Kennington, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, Southrepps, Clifford's Pleasure and Grandsire.

*JANE M. YARDLEY .. Treble	*MICHAEL F. HALL .. 4
*JOAN D. WOOLGAR .. 2	*BRIAN C. WALLIS .. 5
BERNARD D. SIMS .. 3	*ROBERT FOSTER .. Tenor

Conducted by BERNARD D. SIMS.

\* First peal. First as conductor.

Rung to the glory of God for the Resurrection of His Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ.

RADLEY, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

At the Church of St. James-the-Great.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents. Tenor 6½ cwt.

*DAVID J. SALTER .. Treble	*ANGELA G. WAKEFIELD .. 4
*DAVID P. STURGE .. 2	DAPHNE J. POLLARD .. 5
*JEFFREY JONES .. 3	MARIE R. CROSS .. Tenor

Conducted by DAPHNE J. POLLARD.

\* First peal. First as conductor, and first attempt.

Rung as a thankoffering for the life and work of Albert Cross, churchwarden 1947-1962.

All the band are members of the Sunday service band.

Rung on the 15th anniversary of the formation of the band at Radley.

ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., April 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

At the Church of St. James.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 11 cwt, 1 qr. 14 lb. in G.

*RAYMOND HELLIWELL .. Treble	CHARLES CLEGG .. 4
†MICHAEL BELL .. 2	ANTHONY HELLIWELL .. 5
JOHN T. PARSONS .. 3	ROGER LEIGH .. Tenor

Conducted by ROGER LEIGH.

\* First peal of Minor. † First on a working bell.

ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., April 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

At the Church of St. James.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES**

Being 42 extents (four callings). Tenor 11 cwt, 1 qr. 14 lb. in G.

*JAMES A. GIBSON .. Treble	ROGER LEIGH .. 4
†RAYMOND HELLIWELL .. 2	RICHARD J. PARKER .. 5
ANTHONY J. HELLIWELL .. 3	ROBERT J. ARMSTRONG .. Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD J. PARKER.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.'

LITLINGTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Katherine.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In ten methods: (1) Single Oxford, (2) Cambridge, (3) Oxford, (4) Kent, (5) Thelwall and Double Oxford, (6) Childwall and St. Clement's, (7) Double and Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt, 1 qr. in A flat.

*ANN P. ROBINSON .. Treble	*KEITH J. WALPOLE .. 4
*A. TREVOR HAWKINS .. 2	ALAN M. BARBER .. 5
*BRIAN B. HULLIAH .. 3	DAVID R. SAUNDERSON .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN M. BARBER.

\* First peal in ten methods.

SELSTON, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Helen.

**A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR**

In seven extents: (1) College Exercise, (2) Duke of Norfolk, (3) London Scholars' Pleasure, (4) Capel and Oxford T.B., (5) Kingston and Oxford T.B., (6) Sandal T.B., (7) Oxford T.B. Tenor 14 cwt, in F.

*THOMAS DUTTON .. Treble	DOREEN BRADLEY .. 4
*SUSAN MEREDITH .. 2	MICHAEL POPPLESTON .. 5
CHRISTINE FROGGATT .. 3	FRANK BRADLEY .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK BRADLEY.

\* First peal in seven methods.

Rung as an 87th birthday compliment to Mrs. Meredith, grandmother of the second ringer.

THORINGTON, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, Single Court, Double Bob, Single Oxford, Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt, 22 lb. in G.

MRS. D. M. ANDREWS .. Treble	GEORGE N. ORMAN .. 4
MRS. R. J. R. ORMAN .. 2	ARTHUR G. BUTTON .. 5
*JENNIFER M. ANDREWS .. 3	ALAN R. ANDREWS .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN R. ANDREWS.

\* First peal of Minor.

Rung by Sunday service band as a 21st birthday compliment to the ringer of the second.

WARSOP, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

At the Church of SS. PETER AND PAUL.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being a 720 each of Double Oxford, Single Oxford, St. Clement's, Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 14½ cwt.

JAMES T. ROOKE .. Treble	FRANK COOKE .. 4
*ALAN KELLER .. 2	*DENNIS COOPER .. 5
GEORGE CHALLANS .. 3	HERBERT T. ROOKE .. Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT T. ROOKE.

\* First peal in seven methods.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Dennis Cooper, Iris Cooke, Douglas H. Rooke and Master David Rooke.

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THRUXTON, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In two methods, being two extents of Kent Treble Bob and five of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 9 cwt.  
EDDIE COX ... .. Treble MICHAEL G. HOLBROOK ... 4  
DENBY P. MURDUCK ... 2 GEOFFREY K. DODD ... 5  
PAUL HOLMES ... 3 PHILIP MURDUCK ... Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.

Rung as a welcome to Roy Lucien Holbrook, fifth son of the ringer of the fourth.

WITHAM-ON-THE-HILL, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In four methods, being one extent Kent T.B., one Single Oxford, two Single Court and three Plain Bob. Tenor 13½ cwt.  
MRS. MILLCENT SHORT ... Treble CHARLES R. MUXLOW ... 4  
RICHARD A. HUNT ... 2 WALTER WESTON ... 5  
HARRY BARNES ... 3 JAMES H. MUSSON ... Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.

BASSINGHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., April 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

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

\*†CLAIRE DILLAMORE ... Treble †ANDREW S. HUDSON ... 4  
M. JANE FOSTER ... 2 †LOUIS WILLIERS ... 5  
PETER WILKINSON ... 3 JACK L. MILLHOUSE ... Tenor

Conducted by ANDREW S. HUDSON.

\* 100th peal. † 25th peal together. ‡ 300th peal. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr.

STAUNTON-ON-WYE, HEREFORDSHIRE.  
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., April 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In 14 methods, being three extents each of All Saints, Rushall, Rev. St. Bartholomew, Northrepps, Newborough, Grandsire, April Day, Seighford, Kennington, Plain Bob, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, Southrepps and Rev. Canterbury. Tenor 10 cwt.

\*ROBERT A. HATCHER ... Treble JOHN W. HOPE ... 4  
MARGARET J. HOPE ... 2 COLIN A. LEWIS ... 5  
ROBIN L. HUGHES ... 3 DANZEY WATKINS ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN W. HOPE.

\* 50th peal for the Guild; also 'circled the tower.'

BARKBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., April 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 42 extents rung in 31 methods: (1) St. Simon, (2) Eynsham, (3) Elford, (4) Cassington, (5) St. Martin, (6) St. Leonard, (7) Sharesill, (8) St. Peter, (9) St. Paul, (10) St. Albans, (11) Plain Bob, (12) Kennington, (13) April Day, (14) Seighford, (15) Old Bob, (16) St. Nicholas, (17) St. Giles, (18) St. Andrew, (19) Austrey, (20) St. Thomas, (21) Winchendon, (22) St. John, (23) Ryton, (24) St. Luke, (25) St. Miles, (26) Rev. Canterbury Pleasure, (27) Southrepps Pleasure, (28) Clifford's Pleasure, (29) Little Aston, (30) St. Columba, (31 to 38) Grandsire, (39 to 42) Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 27 lb. in E.

AMY WARNES ... Treble MAURICE R. A. KIRK ... 4  
RUPERT A. CLARKE ... 2 ALAN E. HARTLEY ... 5  
BARRY BRANT ... 3 R. KINGSLEY MASON ... Tenor

Conducted by MAURICE R. A. KIRK.

A 21st birthday compliment to Robert Kirby, Sunday service ringer.

SANDHURST, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., April 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

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

JOAN A. RANCE ... Treble ARTHUR J. N. RANCE ... 4  
\*GRAHAM C. J. MURRELL ... 2 \*STANLEY G. SCOTT ... 5  
\*ROSEMARY RICH ... 3 FRANK C. PRICE ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANK C. PRICE.

\* First peal in seven methods.

A silver wedding compliment to Joan and John Rance.

BARNBY-IN-THE-WILLOWS, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.  
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., April 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 18 extents Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, ten Plain Bob, six April Day and eight Grandsire. Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb.

RUTH BLACKSHAW ... Treble MAURICE W. HARRISON ... 4  
MARGARET E. CHILTON ... 2 JOHN R. PRATCHETT ... 5  
F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER ... 3 CHARLES J. COPP ... Tenor

Conducted by MAURICE W. HARRISON.

A birthday compliment to June Margaret James,

CHURCH LAWFORD, WARWICKSHIRE.  
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Tues., April 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being two extents Cambridge, one Oxford Treble Bob and two each Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 5 lb. in B flat.  
JOHN G. WEBB ... Treble GEORGE P. HAMMOND ... 4  
PAMELA J. WRIGHT ... 2 ARTHUR R. WRIGHT ... 5  
STEPHEN P. DARVILL ... 3 GEOFFREY PRATT ... Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY PRATT.

A birthday compliment to George P. Hammond and Geoffrey Pratt.

CHETWYND, SALOP.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.  
On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

Being 42 six-scores. Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 22 lb. in B flat.  
HENRY E. GREEN ... Treble \*S. ILLIDGE ... 4  
\*PHILIP R. JOHNSON ... 2 A. G. RICHARDS ... 5  
†L. EVANS ... 3 \*JACK SMITH ... Tenor

Conducted by A. G. RICHARDS.

\* First peal of Grandsire, and of Doubles. † First peal at first attempt. First peal by a Sunday service band from Codsall, Staffs.

HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.  
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being two extents Kent Treble Bob and five Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.  
RUTH BLACKSHAW ... Treble MARGARET E. CHILTON ... 4  
F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER ... 2 W. NEVILLE BROWN ... 5  
MAURICE W. HARRISON ... 3 JOHN R. PRATCHETT ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. PRATCHETT.

First peal of Minor as conductor.

Congratulations to Julia Pendred Brears and Timothy Middup, married in this church on April 16th, 1964.

WEST BRIDGFORD, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.  
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In five methods, being two extents Reverse St. Bartholomew, four Newborough, 14 Grandsire, three April Day and 19 Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb.

\*JULIET STAMPER ... Treble C. RAYMOND LARKIN ... 4  
†JOHN MILLER ... 2 GEORGE A. DAWSON ... 5  
†PIETER ELSE ... 3 \*GILBERT BUTLER ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE A. DAWSON.

\* First peal. † First in five methods.

## HANDBELL PEALS

NEW MILLS, DERBYSHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., March 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes,  
AT 36, PARKLANDS AVENUE,  
**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

\*BARRY HENDRY ... 1-2 | NEIL BENNETT ... 5-6  
ROBERT B. SMITH ... 3-4 | DEREK A. ASHTON ... 7-8  
Composed by C. K. LEWIS. Conducted by DEREK A. ASHTON.

\* First handbell peal on eight. First handbell peal as conductor.

SWINDON, WILTSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 1 Hour and 58 Minutes,  
AT 54, ASHFORD ROAD,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Consisting of 64 methods, in the following seven extents: (1) Light-foot, Wearmouth, Rossendale, Stamford, Netherseale and Annable's London Surprise; (2) Barham, Oswald, Edinburg, Kentish, Berkeley and Pembroke Delight, Berwyn and Waterford Treble Bob; (3) Nelson Treble Bob, Knutsford, Skipton, Rotherne, Chepstow, Bagedone, Fotheringay, Wilmslow, Balmoral and Ely Delight, Hull and Bourne Surprise; (4) Beverley, Surfleet, Berwick, Hexham, Cambridge and Primrose Surprise, Burslem and Waltham Delight; (5) Old Oxford, College Bob IV, Willesden, Newdigate, Neasden, St. Albans, Wragby, Charlwood, Marple, Taxal, Braintree, Humber, Clarence and Elston Delight, Morning Star Treble Bob; (6) Sandal, London Scholars', Kingston, Capel, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury, Ockley and Oxford Treble Bob, Carisbrooke, Donottar, Wath and Pontefract Delight; (7) Cambridge, Primrose, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull and Bourne Surprise; with 156 changes of method, and a plain lead of each included. Tenor size 15 in C.

GORDON W. LAND ... 1-2 | BRIAN BLADON ... 3-4

ANTHONY R. PEAKE ... 5-6

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

The greatest number of methods to a handbell peal by all the band, in the county, and for the Association. Greatest number of Treble Bob methods to a handbell peal.



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### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

**FOREMAN.**—The address of Miss Ruth M. Foreman is now 19, Finchley Court, Bullards Lane, Finchley, N.3. Tel. FINchley 3994.

**KENRICK.**—The address of Mr. and Mrs. R. Kenrick is now 44, Norwood Avenue, Southport, Lancs. Tel. Southport 86359. 4588

### PERSONAL

\* But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.—St. Matthew vi. 15.

### HANDBELLS WANTED

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**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Syston District.—Annual District dinner, Birstall, May 23rd, 6.30 for 7 p.m. Tickets now available price 8s. from any committee member or hon. secretary. Cash with order. Don't be left out. Apply early.—R. R. Brown, hon. sec. 4597

**NORTH DEVON RINGING.**—For those able to make an early start for a weekend at Truro before the Central Council meeting, and who would like to see something of the beauties of North Devon, there will be ringing as follows: **FRIDAY**, May 15th, Combe Martin 7.30 p.m.; **SATURDAY**, May 16th, Littleham (near Bideford) 9.30 a.m., Alwington 10.30, Clovelly 11.30, Hartland 12.30, Welcome 2.30. This route also has the advantage of avoiding the traffic of the A30! 4598

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**VISITORS TO TULIP FIELDS PLEASE NOTE.**—There will be a Ringers' Sunday at Spalding Parish Church, on May 10th. After Evensong, the film 'Ringers Required' will be shown in the Church School. Ringing: 9.30 a.m., 2-6.30 p.m. 4591

**PEAL CARDS AND QUARTER PEAL CARDS.** minimum 12 in set, price 7s. 6d. post free. For quarter peal cards, second copy written out in style of a peal is essential.—'The Ringing World' Office, Guildford.

### MEETINGS

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting in the Crypt of St. Mary's, Woburn, on Saturday, May 2nd, at 6 p.m. Towers open: Amptihill (6), 9.30 to 10.30 a.m.; Flitwick (6), 10.30 to 11.30; Westoning (6), 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.; Aspley Guise (6), 1.45 to 2.45; Husbome Crawley (8), 2.30 to 4; Eversholt (6), 3.15 to 4.15; Woburn (8) 4 to 4.25 and after business meeting. Service, Woburn. 4.30. Tea in the Crypt, 5 p.m. Tickets for tea 3s. (cash with order) from Mr. K. Spavins, 8, London Road, Woburn. 4562

**COVENTRY GUILD.**—Warwick Branch.—Meeting at Stratford, May 2nd. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Election of new District secretary at meeting. Names for tea as soon as possible to I. C. Mavcock, 109, Heathcote Road, Whitnash, Leamington Spa. 4565

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Peak District.—Meeting, Eyam, Saturday, May 2nd. Bells 3 p.m. For tea, please advise Mrs. A. Jinks, 25, New Close Estate.—Mrs. G. Richardson, Dis. Sec. 4560

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ely District.—Meeting at Chatteris, Saturday, May 2nd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 5. Service 6. Special methods St. Clement's and Norwich. 4554

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.E. District.—Meeting at Goldbanger, Saturday, May 2nd. Six bell striking competition at 2.30. Service 4.30 p.m. General ringing after tea. Names to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury. 4472

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—Meeting at Haslemere on Saturday, May 2nd. Bells (10) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. Weatherley, 48, Weysprings, Haslemere. 4530

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Practice meeting at St. Ippolyts, on May 2nd, at 5.30 p.m. 4530

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—N. and E. District.—Joint meeting with the Watford District of the Hertford County Association at Finchley, Saturday, May 2nd. Ringing 3. Service 4.30. Followed by tea. Evening ringing to 8 p.m.—E. H. Kilby, Dis. Sec. 4545

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Annual general meeting, Wooburn, Saturday, May 2nd. Ringing 3. Service 4.30. Meeting 6. Please send names for tea to Miss Hague, 6, Stompits Road, Holyport, Maidenhead, Berks. 4493

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—Monthly meeting, Lillingstone Lovell, May 2nd. Bells (5) from 6 p.m. 4530

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guilborough Branch.—Meeting Cottesbrooke, Sat., May 2nd at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. 4600

**SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Meeting at Dore, Saturday, May 2nd. Bells from 3 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. R. Farnsworth, Ryecroft Farm, Dore. (Tel. 362759).—J. Seager, Sec. 4568

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Newark District.—Meeting, Barnby-in-the-Willows, Saturday, May 2nd, Cup contest 3 p.m. General ringing in the evening. Names for tea (5 p.m.) to me, please.—Mrs. B. N. Reed, 43, Dale Crescent, Balderton, Newark. 4537

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—Quarterly meeting at Petworth (8), Saturday, May 2nd (note change of date). Bells 3. Service 4.30 followed by tea at East Street Dairy at 5. Names for tea, please, to R. Wake, 28, Kynor Estate, Sidlesham, Chichester, Sussex. (Tel. Sidlesham 325.) 4584

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practice meeting at St. Giles'-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube station) on Mon., May 4th, at 7 p.m. 4584

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Annual Festival will be held on Sat., May 9th, at Hartford, Northwich. Service 4 p.m. Preacher: Rev. C. H. Huggill, Rural Dean of Middlewich. Tea 5 p.m. followed by business meet-

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**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chesterfield District.—Horsley Cup ringing contests, Clay Cross, May 9th at 3 p.m. Non-competitors send names for tea to Mrs. J. Price, 1, Bertrand Close, Clay Cross, before May 6th. 4499

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD OF RINGERS.**—Exeter Branch.—Meeting at Bramford-Speke, on Sat., May 9th. Bells 3. Service 4. Tea 4.30. Names early. Meeting following.—G. Skinner, 38, Manston Road, Exeter. 4381

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Half-yearly meeting at West Hartlepool, on Sat., May 9th. St. Oswald's 2-4. All Saints 3-5 and 7-9. St. Aidan's 7.30-9. Committee 4.15. Tea 5. Service 6.15. Names for tea to Mr. W. Maughan, 57, Belmont Gardens, West Hartlepool. 4585

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.W. District.—Meeting at Stanford-le-Hope, on May 9th. The district heat of the ringing competition will start at 2.30. Bells (8) available after competition until service at 4.30 and from 6 to 9. Names for tea by Wednesday, May 6th, to Miss J. Ody, Woodstock, First Avenue, Stanford-le-Hope. 4555

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—N.E. District.—A district meeting will be held at Mistley, on Saturday, May 9th. Striking competition 2.30. Service 4.45. Tea 5.15. General ringing afterwards. Names to Mr. A. E. Honeywood, 27, Harwich Road, Mistley. 4573

**GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Swindon Branch.—Meeting on May 9th. Castle Eaton (6). Names for tea (no name no tea) to Luton. 169, Cheney Manor Road, Swindon. 4603

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Tewkesbury Branch.—Quarterly meeting, The Leigh (6), Sat., May 9th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Meeting 5.30. Names for tea by May 6th, to Mr. W. H. Poulton, Highfield, The Leigh, nr. Gloucester. 4530

**GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.**—East Devon Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Ottery St. Mary, on Saturday, May 9th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea and meeting after. Numbers for tea by 6th, to Mr. Turner, Hillcote, Ottery.—W. Webb, Sec. 4577

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—Meeting Hoddesdon, Sat., May 9th. Bells (8) from 3. Service 4.30. Business meeting 5. Special business: election of Bell Fund trustees. Further ringing to 8. Own tea arrangements, cafes nearby.—R. Durrant, Dist. Sec. 4577

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—Sarratt (5) May 9th. Bells 3. Service 4.15. Names for tea to Miss M. Petts, Pinnaroot, Dimmocks Lane, Sarratt, nr. Rickmansworth. 4605

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (Maidstone District) and **LADIES' GUILD** (Kent Branch).—Combined meeting at East Farleigh on Saturday, May 9th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and Ladies' Guild annual meeting. Names for tea to S. G. Hayzelden, 1, Station Hill, East Farleigh.—T. A. Cross. 4550

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—Meeting on May 9th at Burnley (Holy Trinity), 3 to 5 p.m. and Padham (evening). Cups of tea and business meeting, probably at Burnley, 5 p.m.—J. Pilkington.



**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Lancaster and Preston Branches.—Joint meeting at Bilsborrow, Saturday, May 9th. No tea arrangements, small cafe nearby. A.6 road, alight Roebuck, buses 130, 140, 150.—P. Handley and L. Walmsley. 4581

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Liverpool Branch.—Meeting at All Saints', Childwall, on May 9th. Ringing 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Names to Mr. Dodd, 55, Bowland Avenue, Liverpool 16. 4610

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Furness and Lake District Branch.—Meeting at Crosthwaite (near Kendal) on Saturday, May 9th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, May 6th, please, to Mr. R. Hudson, 'Lorraine', Crosthwaite, near Kendal.—T. F. Metcalfe, Sec. 4612

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**—Syston District.—May 9th meeting at Birstall. Ringing (8 bells) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea and business meeting in the reading room at 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Morley, 1, Heathgate Close, Birstall, by May 6th. Special methods: Oxford Triples and Double Norwich Major. Also available Wanlip (6) 2.30-4 p.m.—R. R. Brown, Hon. Sec. 4596

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**—Eastern Branch.—Meeting at Benington, Saturday, May 9th. Bells available from 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea for those who notify me by Monday, May 4th.—P. J. Kilner, Hon. Sec., 167, Eastwood Road, Boston, Lincs. 4548

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**—West Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Owston Ferry, Saturday, May 9th. Service 4.15. Tea for those who notify me by Tuesday previous.—Geo. L. A. Lunn, Hon. Sec., Crow Garth, Lea, Gainsborough. Tel. 2623. 4561

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION**—Monmouth Branch.—Meeting, May 9th at Llangattack-Vibon-Avel. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea, please, by May 4th to J. S. King, The Cedar Tiles, High Beech Lane, Chepstow. 4592

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Meeting, Saturday, May 9th. St. Mary's, Walthamstow (Church Hill, St. Mary's Road), 3-4.30 p.m. Tea, St. Saviour's, Walthamstow (Markhouse Road), after tea till 8.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, by May 6th to Mr. St. John Boyack, 29, Palmerston Road, Westcliff-on-Sea.—V. E. Dupré, Hon. Sec. 4589

**MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD**—The annual general meeting will be held on Saturday, May 9th, at St. Modwen's Church, Burton-on-Trent. Business meeting in adjoining school 3 p.m. Followed by tea. Bells (8) available after tea. All welcome.—J. Cotton. 4558

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Annual general meeting, Norwich, Saturday, May 9th. Service at St. Peter Mancroft Church, 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., Chantry Hall. Meeting to follow. Bells available: St. Peter Mancroft (12) 3 to 4.10 p.m. and after meeting, St. Giles' (8) 2 to 4, St. Miles' (8) 2 to 3.45 and 7 to 8.30, St. George's, Colegate (6), 2 to 3.45 and 7 to 8.30 p.m. Also St. John de Sepulchre by request with Ringing Master. Names for tea to Mrs. F. N. Golden, 26, Rrahazon Road, Norwich, Nor. 57 N., by Wednesday, May 6th.—H. Wm. Barrett, Gen. Sec. 4535

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Sonning Deanery Branch.—A combined practice will be held at Hurst on May 9th at 6 p.m. Special method: Superlative Surprise.—B. Castle. 4582

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—South Oxon Branch.—Annual meeting, Warborough, Saturday, May 9th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 6th, to T. Absolom, Beverley, Warborough, Oxford. 4604

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**—The Guild festival will be held at Marlborough, Wilts. on Saturday, May 9th. The annual general meeting in the Town Hall at 2.15 p.m., when a welcome will be given by the Mayor of Marlborough (Mr. J. W. Seamer). The festival service at the Parish Church of St. Mary the Virgin, 4 p.m., conducted by the Rector, the Rev. Canon F. B. R. Browne. High tea in the Church Hall at 5 p.m. Tickets 3s. to be obtained from the Assistant Hon.

### ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

The Society's new rules will have effect from Tuesday, April 28th, 1964. Copies of these rules are available on application to the Secretary. Stamped and addressed envelope essential. Detailed below are features of the new rules which should be noted by all members:—

(1) Candidates for membership may be elected only at a business meeting of the Society. (Tower elections prior to peal attempts will be no longer recognised.)

(2) Candidates for membership shall be proposed and seconded at a business meeting and their election considered at the next, or a subsequent business meeting of the Society. Candidates shall, if possible, be present at the business meeting at which their election is to be considered.

(3) The entrance fee shall be twenty-five shillings.

(4) The steepleage shall be nimpence.

(5) Each member taking part in a peal rung by the Society shall pay a booking fee of two shillings.

John Chilcott, Hon. Sec., 14, Lawson Glade, The Glebe, Hawley, near Camberley, Surrey. 4551

### LEICESTER GUILD RINGING FESTIVAL

In aid of Hathern Bell Fund, on Whit Saturday, May 16th.  
Tea between 4-5.45 p.m., Hathern. Shortened Evensong 6 p.m.

#### TOWERS AVAILABLE

Route 1	Route 2	Route 3
Measham 10.00-10.30	Ruddington 10.00-10.30	Loughborough 1.30-2.30
Packington )	Bunney )	Church & Foundry )
Coleorton ) 10.15-10.45	Gotham ) 10.15-11.00	Quorn )
Hugglescote )	Thrumpton )	Old Woodhouse )
Ibstock ) 10.45-11.15	Barton-in- ) 10.45-11.15	Woodhouse ) 2.00-3.00
Whitwick ) 11.00-11.45	Fabis )	Eaves )
Shepshed 11.45-12.30	Kingston-on-Soar 11.00-11.45	Swithland ) 3.00-3.30
	Stanford-on-Soar 11.30-12.15	Markfield )
		Copt Oak, 3.30-4.00
		The Oaks, 4.00
		Hathern
Route 4	Route 5	
Barrow-on-Soar ) 1.30-2.00	Hathern 4.00-8.00 (tea 4-5.45 in Church Rooms; service 6)	
Sileby )	Sutton Bonington ) 6.15-7.00	
Mountsorrel )	Kegworth )	
Rothley ) 2.00-3.00	Castle Donington ) 7.15-7.45	
Thurcaston )	Diseworth )	
Anstey )	Breedon-on-the-Hill 7.45-8.00	
Groby ) 2.45-3.15		
Newtown Linford )		
Hathern 4.00-		

4534

### PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD

The annual general meeting will be held on Saturday, May 9th, at Northampton.

Committee meeting, 3 p.m. and service 4 p.m. at St. Peter's Church, Marefair.

Tea and meeting, 5 p.m. at All Saints' Church Rooms, Horseshoe Street.

Tea tickets (3s. 6d. each and c.w.o.) must be obtained by Saturday, May 2nd, from Mr. D. Isaacs, 9, The Square, Pitsford.

#### RINGING ARRANGEMENTS

Northampton:		
St. Peter's (8),	3.00 p.m.-4.00 p.m.	7.00 p.m.-8.00 p.m.
Holy Sepulchre (8),	1.45 p.m.-3.00 p.m.	)
St. Giles' (10),	2.00 p.m.-3.15 p.m.	) 7.00 p.m.-8.30 p.m.
All Saints' (8),	Not available.	)
Country:		
Route 1	Route 2	
Roads (5),	Moulton (8),	11.15 a.m.-12.15 p.m. )
Collingtree (5),	Cogenhoe (6),	11.45 a.m.-12.45 p.m. )
Milton Malsor (5),	Lt. Houghton (5),	12.15 p.m.-1.15 p.m. )
Rothersthorpe (5),	Brafield (6),	12.45 p.m.-1.45 p.m. )
Bugbrooke (5),		Not available. )
Dallington (6),	Piddington (6),	1.15 p.m.-2.15 p.m. )
Kingsthorpe (6),	Wootton (5),	1.45 p.m.-2.45 p.m. )
	E. Billings, General Secretary.	4488

Secretary, Mr. F. Slatford, 35, Westbury Road, Yarnbrook, near Trowbridge, before May 6th. Bells available: Marlborough St. Peter's (8), Aldbourne (8), Marlborough St. Mary the Virgin (6), Chisledon, East Kennett, Everleigh, West Overton, Pewsey, Mildenhall, available from 12 noon to 2 p.m. and from 6 p.m. onwards. The following towers also available by contacting the appropriate incumbent: Collingbourne Kingston, Ramsbury, Savernake and Great Bedwin. All towers closed between 2 and 6 p.m.—W. C. West, Hon. Sec., 584, Semington Road, Melksham, Wilts. 4501

**SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION**—Meeting in Edinburgh on May 9th. Towers available in sequence. Ringing from 11.30 a.m. Names for tea by May 5th to R. Wilson, 15, Durham Road, Edinburgh (PORTobello 2814). 4609

**SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION**—A meeting will be held on May 9th. Bells available: Bromfield (6) 3-4.30, Ludlow (8) 5-6, Stokesay (6) 6.30-8 p.m. Own tea arrangements.—M. R. W. 4611

**STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY**. Meeting at Bilston, Saturday, May 9th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Names for tea, please, by May 6th, to R. M. Hodisier, 8, Sutton Road, Moxley, nr, Wadnesbury, Staffs.—C. M. S.—Hon. Sec. 4470

**SUFFOLK GUILD**—North West District.—Practice meeting at Exning (5), Saturday, May 9th. Bells 6.30 to 9 p.m.—A. F. Ballam. 4575



**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**

Annual General Meeting.  
Saturday, May 9th.

**EAST GRINSTEAD**—Ringing 4.30 to 5 and 7.30 to 9. Service 5 p.m., followed by tea and meeting.

**Individual names** for tea (3s., juniors 1s. 6d.) by Wednesday, May 6th, to Mrs. E. L. Hairs, Norman Cottage, Park Corner, Groombridge. Phone Groombridge 438.

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## PUBLICATIONS & THE CENTRAL COUNCIL

MR. STUART HODGSON'S letter, criticising the Central Council for not publishing technical literature, has been followed by a thoughtful contribution by Mr. Andrew S. Hudson. May I first of all assure Mr. Hudson of my pleasure in sharing with him the honour of this front page in that issue (April 24th), and also that, while we may differ on details, we have clearly each the same cause at heart. In my letter ('R.W.' March 6th) I wrote that it was little use bemoaning the fact that the Council or anyone else had not yet produced what another correspondent called a 'mythical long promised' collection. Any collection or publication about change ringing would only be published when one of us gave up sufficient time to produce it and found the cash (or a backer) to publish.

In view of the approach of the annual meeting of the Central Council it might be appropriate to consider the Council's powers and duties and how they relate to this demand for technical publications. We must all the time, however, bear in mind that the Council is not a corporate body like a local government authority, or even like a limited company, with a salaried staff to carry out its orders and the finance to see that those orders are implemented.

Among its original aims (1890) and relevant to this article are that the Council shall use its best endeavours to guard the rights and generally promote the welfare of the Exercise, both in its scientific aspect and as a branch of Church work. It shall also encourage and assist the development of the Art in its scientific, mathematical and historical branches. The Council today is still in this position—it can try to promote the welfare, etc., and can encourage and assist the development, etc. Note that there is nothing mandatory about this—our predecessors realised that there could not be, above all because the power of the purse was lacking.

The members of the Council, and its officers, are volunteers and all the work done for the Council is voluntary. Apart from the secretarial expenses incurred in arranging the annual meetings, hardly any of the expenses of its members on the work of its committees are met and all the actual labour is completely free. In spite of the reference in the Handbook to 74 delegates attending the first meeting, the members are not delegates in the sense that union delegates attend meetings and vote on the instructions of their unions. They are representatives elected by the constituent associations and, while normally they reflect the views of those associations, there are many occasions when they do not, with the result, sometimes, that their association does not elect them. But this does not happen often.

Now let us consider the vital question of finance. First the matter of cost of publication, remembering that ringing textbooks cannot be printed as cheaply as novels. Because of the considered policy of publishing the Beginners' Handbook as cheaply as possible it is now in its third edition of 5,000 copies. This last edition cost £169—about eightpence a copy. Allowing for postage, packing, advertising, etc., and the six copies for five shillings concession, the Council does not lose money on it. And it achieves its main object—a wide circulation. If this work had been dealt with on commercial standards there would have been publishers' costs, distributors' costs, retailers' costs, profits to all of these, initial payment to author and continuing royalties. At, say, two shillings and sixpence or more a copy sales would have been so much lower that the opportunity of a low reprint charge would never have occurred. It is quite possible that it would

never have been printed at all—certainly not in its present form. It was the proof of demand supplied by a certain 'Notes for Beginners' which led to the issue of the printed booklet. And I am well aware that the circulation for the 'Notes' of some 3,500 copies in six hand produced editions was only because it was sold for the cost of the paper used.

Your critics may reply that they have only suggested that charges should be increased to commercial levels, and that this need not cause costs to rise similarly. But that is to ignore human nature. You can only use voluntary labour if you use it to cut costs so that you can produce cheaply for the benefit of all. The moment you raise charges to commercial levels and start to make 'profits,' the labourer will decide that he is worthy of his hire. There's also the tax man!

Now let us see what money is available to the Council under the present arrangements. It would not be right to use 1963 figures: they have not yet been presented to the Council. But the 1962 figures, published last Whitsun, are sufficiently recent for our purpose. The publications account showed a profit for 1962 of £58. This was obtained by carrying out the Council's policy of publishing at low prices to obtain a wide circulation. Enthusiasts may well say that ringers could buy at the full commercial price. I sincerely hope this will prove true when my own venture is published—both for my publishers' sake and my own. But I suspect we shall rely largely on copies being bought for public libraries! The large majority of ringers are not enthusiasts for textbooks and they are used to having their hobby almost for nothing. Perhaps this is subconsciously because it is a kind of return for all their voluntary ringing as part of their church work. Whatever the reason I know no peal ringer who pays for his three hours ringing at the rate he would for the same time at tennis, or ten-pin bowling—or bingo! We know well the reaction of association members to proposals for increasing subscriptions—usually only about the price of a packet of cigarettes per annum.

The profit of £58 was made on a total sale of 3,542 items—almost half of them copies of the Beginners' Handbook; the other half was divided among 22 other publications—no fortunes to be made there. It would be rash to prophesy that a doubling of the selling price would not at least halve the sales. With that result the profit would be no more and the aims of the Council, mentioned earlier, would not have been achieved.

The Council's general fund showed an excess of income over expenditure for 1962 of £54. But this took account of the £58 profit on publications. So the ordinary income, primarily from affiliation fees, barely covers necessary expenses. Perhaps this general fund should also be put on a commercial basis by asking the constituent associations for higher fees. But if you do this you cannot expect still to have the Council's work done for nothing, so your final position will be the same. And the associations will have less to spend on buying books, or teaching, or will have to raise subscriptions and round the circle we shall go!

There is the Clement Glenn bequest, now amounting almost to £900. The annual interest on this is about £25, which at commercial rates the capital might suffice for a quite limited edition of one 200 page text book and that would be that. This leaves 'The Ringing World' account, which shows an annual profit which may or may not continue to meet rising costs of production. It shows also a capital which in 1962 brought in the useful sum of £265 in interest to help towards the annual profit. As a member of the committee, I can well imagine the views of its convener

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## COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD

### Invitation to Central Council

THE Coventry Diocesan Guild held its annual general meeting at St. Nicholas' Church, Warwick, on April 18th. Ringing before the service was in a variety of methods, all tastes being catered for. The service was taken by the Vicar, the Rev. Graham Smallwood, who is a vice-president of the Guild and also a ringer. In a short address he assured the members present that the Guild would always be welcome at St. Nicholas'.

Tea was followed by the business meeting with the president, Mr. F. W. Perrens, taking the chair. Opening the meeting, he gave a hearty welcome to all present, and in particular to the visitors. After dealing with the usual items, reports were given by the various officers.

### MORE AND MORE YOUNG PEOPLE

The secretary said that the Guild was doing the job it set itself to achieve, that is, to keep as many of the bells ringing on Sundays for services. This he felt was being done very successfully as only bells that were unringable were silent, and even some of these were being chimed. Looking around the room, it was obvious that more and more young people were coming into the Guild, and this assured continuity, as these young people would be taking their place among the peal ringers, and peal ringing would help to keep them.

The treasurer's report created quite a useful discussion on the Guild finances, and how they should be used.

The Ringing Master commented on the ringing at meetings, saying that rounds for learners was very much worth while, as it taught them how to listen to their bell and improve their striking. He also commented on the low attendances at some District meetings, particularly because some of the towers were not too easy to get to. This was borne out by the Branch secretaries.

It was confirmed that the Guild acquire a typewriter and duplicator to enable the annual report and other duplicating work to be produced at little cost. It was also confirmed that the Guild renew its invitation to the Central Council to visit the Guild for its meeting in 1965.

It was confirmed that the annual subscription be raised to 3s. 6d. for seniors and 2s. 6d. for those under 18. This would make Guild finances more realistic and would enable officers of the Guild to claim expenses to which they were entitled, as it was obvious that many of them did not make claims out of consideration for the Guild.

### A NEW PRESIDENT

As the president had intimated that he would not be seeking re-election, he nominated Mr. A. Beamish for that office. Mr. Beamish was duly elected. Before vacating the chair Mr. Perrens said how much he had enjoyed serving the Guild as their president and assured the meeting that he would always be pleased to help in the future in any way he could.

Mr. Beamish, on taking the chair, said he very much appreciated the honour the Guild had paid him, but he took it as an honour for the tower he represented. He realised that

in following such a capable man as Frank Perrens, who had served the Guild in many offices, he had quite a difficult task before him, but assured members that he would do his utmost to uphold the example set by his predecessor.

All other officers were re-elected with the exception of the Warwick Branch secretary, who was not seeking office again. A successor will be nominated at the next Branch meeting, to be confirmed at the next quarterly meeting.

The meeting concluded with thanks to the Vicar and those who had arranged the tea. A social evening arranged by the young members of St. Nicholas' band was much enjoyed. Those not able to do the twist were left to enjoy more ringing on the good eight.

J. L. G. H.

### PUBLICATIONS AND THE CENTRAL COUNCIL—Continued

if it was proposed to use either capital or interest for the risky business of publishing books at commercial prices.

What does all this amount to? Mr. Hodgson says 'There are signs of an increasing determination by ringers interested in technical aspects that their requirements shall be met. If those in control of the Central Council will not satisfy the demand they ought to announce their refusal at the Whitsun meeting in order that other sources of supply can be investigated without delay.' Brave words. But it needs no decision by the Council to enable Mr. Hodgson or any other of those determined experts to write and publish commercially, at their own risk, any book they wish, provided it does not infringe the law. Mr. Hodgson's own treatise on false course heads, which he substantially subsidised to enable publication, is being handled by the Council's voluntary labour system. It has only 12 pages and the charge at non-commercial rates is two shillings. Interesting as it is, sales in 1962 amounted to 34 copies.

Mr. Hudson says that 'When there is a demand for information by the Exercise, the Central Council should take all reasonable steps to satisfy it.' The word 'reasonable' can only mean in the context of the Council's voluntary workers and limited finance: that is just what the Council does when it is satisfied that the demand is sufficient to encourage its members to give of their leisure time and spare cash to produce suitable manuscripts. I can only underline Mr. Hudson's own words—'One has to take things into one's own hands.' Of course one does and always has, and those hands must dip into one's own pockets. More so if you are not prepared to accept Council publications which in his words 'omit what we want on account of some personal whim of the people responsible.'

May I conclude by saying that the Exercise should be—I believe most of it is—deeply grateful for all the work done all the year, freely in both senses, by so many members of the Central Council, some for many years. While realising that a 'Snowdon' family does not appear in every generation, I am sure the Exercise will be equally grateful to any of your correspondents who produce desirable text books to fill the gaps. Whether they will show that gratitude by paying commercial prices is a matter of doubt. It will depend on their valuation, not that of the author. But the enthusiasts for publication should be aware that the previous experience of several eminent ringers has not been too encouraging.

W. G. WILSON.

### Burslem Delight

Dear Sir, — The Methods Committee are unanimous in their decision that Burslem Delight does not extend and request the conductor of the peal rung on November 23rd, 1963, to furnish a name for the method rung. —Yours faithfully,

C. KENNETH LEWIS,  
Convener, Methods Committee.

## OBITUARY

### MR. JOSEPH MARSH

Local captain and a ringer at Claverley, Salop. for over 50 years Mr. Joseph Marsh, died on April 21st. A memoir will appear in our next issue.

### MR. H. R. FRENCH

As briefly reported recently, the death of Mr. H. R. French, of Sturry, near Canterbury, came as a great shock to his friends. Proud of the fact that he was born a 'true Cockney,' his father being in the City of London Police, he spent his early youth at Smarden and was apprenticed to a local builder, and later moved to Ospringe. He served in the Royal Engineers during the first world war, and after hostilities moved to Sturry to join Mr. Ernest Slingsby, who at that time was captain of the local ringers. He soon took up ringing and eventually became captain, retaining that office until recently. In 1934 he joined the Cathedral company and at the time of his death was vice-captain. He was a keen peal ringer in the early days, but the demands of his business, which he took over in 1935, curtailed his activities. For a number of years he represented the Canterbury District of the Kent County Association.

As a builder he maintained a very high standard of workmanship, and gained the complete confidence of his many customers. This, together with the high regard with which he was held by all ringers who knew him, was vividly shown by the large attendance at the funeral service held in Sturry Church. This was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. R. R. Lunnon, assisted by the Rev. T. G. Williams (former Vicar) and the Rev. S. M. Evans. In a short address the Vicar paid a wonderful tribute to 'Dick' in his work as a former verger, latterly as a churchwarden, and in his relationships with all the village people. As the cortege passed between the ringers on its way to Barham Crematorium a course of Grandsire Triples was rung on the back eight of his own handbells.

He will be sadly missed by all who knew him, and many expressions of sympathy have been received by his family. To the writer it is the break of over 30 years of wonderful friendship.

B. J. L.

### MR. SIDNEY HOUGH

The Chester Diocesan Guild has lost one of its oldest and most honoured members by the death on April 10th of Mr. Sidney Hough, aged 85 years. He had been a member of the Guild for at least 68 years (his name appears in the Quinquennial Report for 1896) and all of this time he was a ringer at Knutsford. He rang his first peal at Norbury on October 23rd, 1909, and his last peal was one for his own golden wedding on December 27th, 1952, rung by members of his own family with him as conductor. His peal total of 22 was by modern standards insignificant, but his contribution to peal ringing had been in the encouragement of others and he had travelled miles to take part in attempts, and many ringers who are better known to the Exercise owe much to his help in the early stages of their ringing careers. The writer is proud that Sidney Hough took part in his first attempt for a peal (which failed) and later conducted his first peal.

He was always active in Guild and Branch affairs and his attendance at Branch meetings was extremely regular until age prevented him from travelling, but in the last year he had attended one or two meetings and was obviously delighted with the progress of the young ringers he met. He was chairman of the Stockport Branch in 1933 and 1934 when he took over from the Rev. A. T. Beeston, with whom he had a great friendship, and he continued to keep in contact with Mrs. Beeston up to the time of his death. When his period in office was over he continued to offer the Branch his guidance and his advice was always sound and much of the Branch's strength may be attributed to his and his contemporaries' work.

C. K. L.

### AN APOLOGY TO BIDDENDEN

A. E. Davies (age 16), of Chartham, Canterbury, has written to Mr. H. G. Payne, tower captain at All Saints', Biddenden, expressing his 'sincerest apologies for my very stupid comment in your visitors' book about your tenor bell. I'm afraid it was one of those things which was written humorously without thought.

'So that the article "Uncalled For" should have no reflection on the band of St. Dunstan's Church, Canterbury, or for that matter any of the other churches in the city, I should like to make it quite clear that I am not an attached member of the tower, but, being a member of St. Dunstan's Church, the band and their captain very kindly allowed me to join them in their ringing.'



## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

### Mr. F. Dunkerley Retires

THE 1964 annual meeting of the Lancashire Association, held at Leyland on April 25th, marked the retirement from office of Mr. F. Dunkerley, who had been general secretary since 1951, following the death of Mr. W. H. Shuker.

The president, the Rev. R. D. St. J. Smith, paid a very warm tribute to his services and, as a gesture of thanks from the members, presented Mr. Dunkerley with a silver cigarette box. A bouquet of flowers was also given to Miss Grimme, who had given such sterling service to him.

Mr. Dunkerley, in his reply, thanked the members and asked them to support the new secretary.

The only nominee for the vacancy was Mr. F. Reynolds, of 38, Windsor Avenue, Whitefield, Manchester, who was declared elected. There was a ballot for the vacancy on the Central Council caused by the death of Mr. Derek Ogden, and Mr. J. P. Partington (Rochdale) was elected. Mr. Cyril Cross-thwaite was the only nominee for the office of vice-president. Miss Mary Walshaw's appointment as custodian of the Derek Ogden Memorial Library at Manchester Cathedral was confirmed.

### LAPSED MEMBERS WHO REJOIN

The committee's printed report, which was received, called attention to the resolution from the Blackburn Branch: 'That the committee be asked to consider a request that members whose subscriptions had lapsed, but who had since rejoined the Association, should be credited in the peal totals with peals they had rung when they were previously members.' After discussion it was carried that the resolution should go before the annual general meeting with the addition of the following words: 'if they request the same and furnish details.' The committee agreed that if the resolution was adopted by the annual general meeting an asterisk should be placed by the name of any member in the annual report who had rejoined. This was adopted at the half-yearly meeting.

Mr. Frank Reynolds reported to the committee that the bookcase for the Association's library had been completed at a cost of £20 for timber, although its value was estimated at £100. The library was to be named 'The Derek Ogden Memorial Library.'

### LOSSES BY DEATH

These were.—Life ringing members: Henry Moss (Bolton), William T. Clark (Broughton), J. Miller (Leyland), Mrs. H. M. Windle (Hoghton), H. Entwistle (Burnley), H. Reynolds (Manchester). Ringing members: W. E. Loxham (Penwortham), R. Longden, D. Ogden and B. Walshaw (Manchester), A. Parker (Poolstock) and F. Bentley (Burnley).

The Association membership was: Honorary life 65 (new 2), non-resident 784 (new 43), ringing members 940 (new 101).

The ringing secretary (Mr. J. P. Partington) reported that 218 peals were rung for the Association in 1963, which was a record and 78 more than last year. They consisted of: Maximus 9, Cinques 4, Royal 13, Caters 8, Major 118, Triples 9, Minor 46, Doubles 11. There were 20 'firsts' for the Association: 203 resident members took part and 47 rang their first peal. Fifty-one shared in conducting, the leaders being Neil Bennett 22, John Ashcroft 19, Frederick Shallcross 18. Three resident members took part in the extent of Major at Loughborough. The outstanding peal for the Association was 18-



MR. F. DUNKERLEY,  
General Secretary since 1951.

Spiced Surprise Maximus at Manchester Town Hall conducted by Derek Ogden. This was the greatest number of methods ever rung to a peal on 12 bells.

The president regretfully gave notice that having left the county he would have to resign next year. He also moved a vote of thanks to the Vicar, the ladies, organist, Mr. L. Walmsley and local ringers, and this was warmly supported.

Earlier in the day a large congregation heard the president give an interesting sermon at the service in St. Andrew's Church. A potato pie tea followed, and in spite of the number who had not sent in names, the locals rose to the occasion and catered excellently.

### PROGRESS IN NEW ZEALAND

GREAT progress has been made in regard to ringing at Christchurch Cathedral. The membership is the highest ever and the result is that Grandsire Caters (plain courses) are being rung fairly regularly and soon a 'touch' will be attempted. Other methods rung are Stedman Doubles and Triples and a start has been made with Cambridge Surprise Minor.

At Easter we were very pleased to welcome Mr. John Gardner, of Balcombe, Sussex, England. Ringers of his ability, also Mr. John Gunner (late of Winchester) are a great help to the Society. On practice nights, with learners included, we have had as many as 15 present.

I am delighted to report that the ring of five bells at St. Paul's Church, Papenui, is active again, after being silent for some years. The Vestry at St. Paul's are behind this, the result being that recruits have been trained at the Cathedral by our members. Under the guidance of Ray Idle a start has been made at Papenui with practice on Thursday nights and Sunday evening ringing.

These are the bells that the ringers practised on for the opening of the Cathedral bells in 1881.

G. NELSON SLOANE.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

### West Dorset Branch

The quarterly meeting of the West Dorset Branch was held at Symondsbury on April 18th, representatives from nine towers and two visitors being present.

The Guild service was conducted by the Rev. R. J. Edmondson, Vicar of Melplash, and the lesson was read by the Rev. K. G. C. Rowcroft. Mr. B. Elsworth was the organist.

An excellent tea, to which 30 sat down, was prepared and served by the local ringers and their wives, and all were made welcome by this hospitality.

At the business meeting members paid tribute to the memory of Messrs. E. Case and Elie Hawker. Five new ringing members were elected. Final arrangements were made by members for attending the Guild Festival at Marlborough, by coach.

Methods rung during the afternoon and evening were Grandsire and Stedman, Cambridge, London and Bob Minor.

Next quarterly meeting: Askerswell, June 13th; and practice meetings: Thorncombe June 10th, and Hawkechurch, July 8th. J. D.

### Marlborough Branch

Aldbourne, where for over 200 years bells of all descriptions were cast by the former Wiltshire founders, Cor and Wells family, was visited by the Marlborough Branch for their meeting on April 25th. With the Rev. Roger Keeley (Ringing Master) in charge, a variety of touches was rung. It was a good meeting with many visitors. The Guild secretary (Mr. W. C. West) and his assistant (Mr. F. Slatford) were present and the Branch secretary was welcomed back after being laid aside with a severe attack of lumbago.

After the Guild service, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. C. C. Perry), came a splendid tea in the Memorial Hall generously provided by Mr. and Mrs. Keen. Helping with the arrangements were Mrs. P. Newman, Mrs. G. Newman and Miss E. Palmer. The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. G. Newman (chairman) and the evening's ringing concluded with an excellent touch of Stedman Triples rung by a touring band from Thatcham, Berks.

W. A. E.

## CHESTER CATHEDRAL BELLS SILENT

Unless an unexpected gift is forthcoming, Chester Cathedral bells are likely to be silent for some time.

The Bishop of Chester (the Rt. Rev. Gerald Ellison), in his diocesan leaflet, states that an architect has reported that the bell frame is badly related to the tower structure, and movement in it could seriously affect the stability of the tower.

'The bells must be silent,' he says. 'First aid steps could be taken for £500. This would enable the bells to be rung for short periods. For £9,000 to £10,000 the troubles could be completely cured.'

'Is there anyone who would like to provide for the restoration?' appeals the Bishop. He points out that the Dean and Chapter were faced with heavy responsibilities for cleaning the inside of the Cathedral, and putting the Cathedral in order must be given priority.

'It looks as if there will be a long wait before the bells are heard again in Chester. This is a great sadness to those of us who love the sound of the bells and who feel much sympathy with Dorothy Sayers, who remarks that in this noisy world the sound of the bells is the one loud noise made solely to the glory of God.'

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## Letters to the Editor

### Xingu Surprise Minor

Dear Sir.—The performance at Countesthorpe on March 9th does not conform with the C.C.'s conditions for peals of Minor, and cannot therefore be classed as a peal. I am sure that the ringers concerned are aware of this fact, and it was therefore wrong of them to mislead you into publishing details in the peal columns of 'The Ringing World' of April 24th. If it was necessary to publicise this feat at all, a heading such as 'Other Performances' should have been requested.

Minor methods such as Xingu are worthless since they are incapable of producing true extents in the conventional manner. This essential requirement cannot be evaded by using singles to produce 1,440's.—Yours sincerely,  
GEORGE W. MASSEY.  
Frome, Somerset.

Dear Sir.—With regard to the peal Xingu Surprise Minor rung at Countesthorpe on March 9th, I would like to point out that this peal does not comply with the Central Council's requirements for peals of Minor. The reason for this is that, as Mr. Jelley already knows perfectly well, it is impossible to obtain a true 720 in the method, and therefore the 1,440's employed could not consist of true and complete round 720's.

I am sorry to have to raise this matter, but, if my memory serves me correctly, a peal of Saturn Treble Bob Doubles was disallowed for this very reason.—Yours faithfully,  
ROGER D. BAILEY.

Holbeach, Spalding.

### Mr. William Pye

Dear Sir.—The writer of the article concerning the first 12-bell peal for the Truro Guild on page 266 does the memory of the late Mr. William Pye a very grave injustice in suggesting he credited the five peals he rang in Cornwall in 1913 to the Devon Guild, instead of the Truro Guild, because he was only allowed three-quarters of an hour's ringing at the Cathedral instead of a peal.

Mr. Pye was not only a great ringer, he was also a great man, and quite above anything mean or petty such as is suggested.—Yours sincerely,  
E. BARNETT.

170, Kings Close, Crayford.

### Disappointed by Record

Dear Sir.—A few weeks ago my son and I were looking through the miscellaneous records at a well-known store. To our surprise we came across a bell-ringing record (H.M.V. CLP 1441). We hadn't the time to hear it played but knowing that bell-ringing records are rather hard to come by we bought it. But what a shock we had when we played it for the first time!

On the first side there was Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles. The striking was terrible and I fail to see how this came to be recorded. On the second side there was Cambridge Surprise Major; this was a little better but I should not think it was up to recording standard.

I myself am by no means an expert ringer, indeed I am limited to Bob Minor and covering. But even I can tell bad striking when I hear it. If anyone doubts me and would like to hear the record I am in all day and would be more than pleased to oblige.—Yours sincerely,  
M. BROWN.

3, Driftholme Road,  
Drighlington, near Bradford.

### Behind Washington Criticism?

Dear Sir.—There has been much correspondence and criticism of the selection of the Washington band.

The final one from Tom Lock adds something. He speaks of 'obvious omissions.' May I ask what obvious omissions?

Perhaps the general secretary of the Middlesex Association or the Master of the Cumberlands or a representative of the Ladies' Guild? Why end here? Why not the general secretary and Master of every Association? Why not a representative of every band who contributed?

Now let us face facts. The selection of a band of everybody's choice is impossible.

No matter who had selected the band, criticism was bound to come. One has only to glance down the peal columns each week and look at the number of Societies to realise the difficulties. I have been assured in certain circles that the fact that nine of the band are Cumberland Youths is purely a coincidence, and a sane look at the names will show that they are as good a band as possible.

The universal appeal has been pointed out. As a matter of fact it would be interesting to find out how many of the people who have complained have actually contributed to the fund.

Let us therefore have a little reason in the matter.

Certain people have selected certain ringers. If anybody has any complaint against any certain ringer or ringers, let them out with it openly.

Otherwise, let us have a little less of the sour grapes and pious platitudes and resign ourselves to the fact that everybody suitable could not possibly go and that in view of the difficulties a good job of selection has been done.—Yours sincerely,

WILLIAM A. THEOBALD.

London, E.1

### Place Notation for Doubles

Dear Sir, — Could correspondents give Doubles methods in place notation? This would avoid the rather clumsy Winchendon plain leads with half-leads of Original called as bobs and Old Doubles calls for singles' type of notation, which may be all very well for Mr. Amos and Mr. Walkgate, but is rather disheartening for the less expert.

Two difficulties would be prevented entirely by place notation. The first is that it is not always made plain whether a whole lead of one method is being used as the bob of another, or if the plain lead method is being modified near the lead end.

Secondly, the method or call referred to may not be known to the reader. For instance, I cannot find any mention of a Grandsire extreme or odd bob in the 'Collection of Doubles Methods.'

Place notation is bound to be a little complex when the bob lead is very different from the plain lead, but it does have the advantage of conveying the information concisely, accurately and unambiguously.

It might also take up less column space and, in the long run, lead to fewer arguments in your columns.—Yours faithfully,

JOHN DAVID.

Guernsey.

### Peal on Woodhouse Machine

Dear Sir,—On Sunday, April 19th, a peal was rung on the Woodhouse Ringing Machine. The peal was P. G. K. Davies' composition of 5,120 Spliced Surprise Major in four methods — 1,120 Rutland, 1,280 Cambridge and Lincolnshire and 1,440 Yorkshire with 69 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell. The peal was rung in 2 hours and 47 minutes.

This is the first peal to be rung on this machine since it was completely rebuilt by Mr. Gordon Thwaites, and we are pleased to report that the machine behaved faultlessly throughout.

I set the methods and put in the bobs whilst Gordon Thwaites attended to the diagram mechanism. A complete diagram of the paths of the treble and seventh was made, and this measures about 12 feet in length!—Yours faithfully,

C. CROSSTHWAITE.

Preston, Lancs.

### 'Wizard Show, Truro'

Dear Sir,—May I congratulate the members of the Truro Diocesan Guild who broke the Cinques barrier for the Guild. I know of no Cornishman who will not echo my sentiments when I say 'Wizard show, chaps, wish I'd been there'

Of course, we could all draw up bands which we think should have rung this peal. We did not, and therefore to this band goes all honour for having done that which we have neglected.—Yours sincerely,

CORNISHMAN-IN-EXILE

Dagenham.

### Sundays at Twerton

Dear Sir,—May I first be allowed to congratulate the Highclere ringers on their Sunday service ringing and to tell them that the band at Twerton-on-Avon have rung for three services every Sunday since 1958.

Also, since starting off several youngsters at the beginning of 1963, we have added ringing for Sunday School and after Evensong to make it five times on a Sunday. It may be added that people around the church love to hear the bells and up to now have not found it too much.

It is interesting to note that the Sunday time-table of at least four of the band, who are also choirboys, ring six times and sing four times (which includes a visit to a neighbouring parish). I am not sure whether meal times exist but their keenness does not seem to wear off and I hope it won't. — Yours truly,

ALAN F. LEE.

Twerton, Bath.

### Not from St. Dunstan's

Dear Sir,—It is a pity that Mr. Payne, of Biddenden, did not add the name of the 'gentleman' in his letter regarding the comments written in the visitors' book, that the tenor was 'lousy and flat.'

I have known all the members at St. Dunstan's for years. I am quite positive that not one of them would even think of making such an entry in any visitors' book, let alone do it, no matter what state the bells were in. I am equally positive that the 'gentleman' in question is not a member of St. Dunstan's and, whoever he is, he should at least have the decency to apologise to both the Biddenden and St. Dunstan's ringers.—Yours faithfully,

Canterbury

B. J. LUCK.

For Apology see page 306

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## BRISTOL RINGING FESTIVAL

May 30th, 1964

As you can see from looking in 'Dove,' the city of Bristol and the immediate neighbourhood are wonderfully well endowed with rings of bells. It is therefore a natural place to hold a big Ringing Festival, for it provides all the facilities for a lot of ringers to do a lot of ringing in one day and to come together and meet each other. This year there will be 26 towers open and between them they will provide something for everybody; for the 12-bell ringers there are the fine bells of St. Mary Redcliffe; for the eight-bell specialists our Cathedral and the heavy eight at Long Ashton, as well as light eights like those of St. Ambrose or Knowle; for those who wish to pit their skills against heavy sixes there will be Westbury and Portbury as well as Filton and Clapton-in-Gordano for those who prefer their sixes lighter.

At any time of year Bristol is a beautiful city, but at the end of May it and the surrounding country are at their very best and provide much to delight and interest the eyes of the visitors, whether they be ringer or a non-ringing member of his family. For those whose particular interest is seeing unusual bells, there will be opportunities during the day to visit the central tower of the Cathedral to see the mediæval bells and frame recently described by Mr. Randal Clouston in 'The Ringing World,' and also Great George, the great bell of Bristol University.

On such occasions as this ringers also wish to get together and meet one another outside the tower. We have therefore arranged that all those who wish can lunch together at a modest cost at a hotel conveniently situated for the towers which will be open immediately after lunch and also for car-parking—no small problem in Bristol on a Saturday. There will also be a social gathering in the new Senior Common Room of the University in the evening, to which all are invited and for which there will be no admission charge.

It is appropriate that when ringers meet together like this they should also worship together and give thanks for the great gifts they enjoy. We shall have our own service at noon in the Cathedral, in which there will be a special ringers' choir.

Festivals were previously held in Bristol in 1961 and 1962 and were very well attended. We do hope, though, that ringers will not find themselves at the same tower simultaneously, as happened once or twice before, and we have tried to arrange things to prevent this.

You will not find the day's programme published in detail in 'The Ringing World' because it is so large that it will take up too much space together with all the necessary instructions for finding the towers. You can get the programme by writing to Mr. D. J. Hunt, 58, Gordon Avenue, Bristol 5. He also has lunch tickets for sale (7s. 6d.). Organising a festival like this does cost us a little, so we hope you will not mind a small surcharge being put on the lunch tickets to cover organising expenses; perhaps if you want to come but do not wish to have lunch with us, you could let us have a little contribution to help towards these expenses. Thank you.

We hope to see you in Bristol on May 30th.  
P. G.

## CHELSEA RINGERS' TOUR

Ringers from St. Luke's, Chelsea, together with other ringers who have in the past been associated with St. Luke's, took part in a well organised tour of North Yorkshire and Westmorland during the week April 11th to 18th. Headquarters were at Bedale, Yorks, and excursions were made daily by road to visit and ring at about 30 churches, which included Kendal, Bowness-on-Windermere, Ambleside, Sedburgh, Beverley Minster, Beverley St. Mary's, Wakefield, Leeds, St. Chads, Headingley St. Michael's, St. Peter's, Bramley, Armley, Northallerton, Guisborough, Whitby, Pickering, Saltburn-by-Sea, Skelton-in-Cleveland, Middlesbrough, Thornaby-on-Tees, Howden, Selby, Sherburn-in-Elmet, Tadcaster and Middleham.

No peals were attempted but an excellent quarter peal of Stedman was rung on the beautiful eight at Howden. A very warm welcome awaited the party at every tower visited and ringing was enjoyed on some very good bells.

Those taking part in the tour were Miss K. Branson (Edinburgh), Miss V. Dupré (Chelsea), Miss M. Powell (Chelsea), Squire Croft (Ealing), J. H. Lott (Chelsea), Ian Lloyd (Pershore), Aubrey Lloyd (Charlbury), W. H. Pickett (Stoke), A. J. Stimson (Melton Mowbray), J. F. Smallwood (Darley Dale) and A. F. Udall (Chelsea).

Sincere thanks to those who made it possible for us to ring, and to Veronica and John for their efficient organisation. JAFUS.

## MISS JEAN BARNETT'S '21st'

As April 28th fell on a Tuesday, it was decided to hold the first part of Miss Jean Barnett's '21st' celebrations on the previous week-end, when friends and relations gathered at Crayford, where they were entertained by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Barnett (mother doing a specially good job with the buffet!). The second part consisted of a peal of Bob Royal at Plymouth, in which Jean took part, and a peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major at Withyham, in which her father, grandfather and godfather took part (both peals being rung on the 28th). After the Withyham peal the band were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Hairs at Groombridge, and the opportunity was taken of wishing Jean 'Many Happy Returns,' this being done by telephone to Exeter.

## SUFFOLK GUILD

The Central District held a quarterly meeting at Worlingworth on April 25th, which attracted ringers from as far afield as Hertfordshire, Cambridge, Norfolk and Ipswich. The Rector, the Rev. W. H. Donnan, welcomed the ringers at the service and gave an interesting account of the history of the eight bells and their connection with the people and village life over the past 300 years.

Before sitting down to tea at the Rectory Mr. L. E. Last thanked the Rector and Mrs. Donnan for their warm welcome and hospitality and congratulated all concerned on the very effective restoration work recently carried out at the church. At the business meeting the chair was taken by Miss Alice Lester and it was agreed that the meeting had proved a successful ringing and social occasion.  
L. E. L.

## THE LADIES' GUILD

## South Wales District

Several young Caldicot ringers were able to ring their first courses and touches of Stedman Triples when the South Wales Branch held an enjoyable meeting on April 18th. The visit was regarded as a special occasion by the Vicar (the Rev. Roy Hallett), who arranged for solemn Evensong.

Tea was served in the church school by Mrs. Sowerby and Mrs. Wheeler. These ladies were thanked by Mr. Jack James. Mrs. Coles thanked Mr. Hallett for his warm welcome and Miss Dilys Hulbert thanked the organist, Mr. H. Harris.

Two new members were elected the Misses Nona Davies and Sally Behenna, of Cardiff.

Next meeting: St. Mellons, October 31st.  
J. K.

## STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY

Seven Sunday service bands competed for the second striking competition held by the Society at St. Mary's Church, Bushbury, near Wolverhampton on April 11th. The test was 120 changes of either Plain Bob Doubles or Minor.

The results were: 1 Little Aston 'A' (7½ faults), 2 Lichfield Cathedral (10½), 3 Great Barr (21), 4 Aldridge (26½), 5 Penn (31), 6 Cannock (50½), 7 Little Aston 'B' (52). Great Barr should be congratulated on coming third as they had never entered a band before and some were learners, also Little Aston on not only winning but on entering two six-bell bands.

Thanks are accorded to the Vicar for his co-operation, the local ringers for light refreshments, and to Messrs. Gordon Halls (Derby), Dennis R. Carlisle (Sandiacre) and Gordon Lane (Kingsbury) the judges.  
C. M. S.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

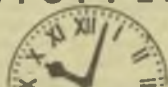
The quarterly meeting of the Chew Branch was held at Long Ashton (8) on April 18th, when the Association service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. I. F. Westmacott). Tea in the Church Hall was followed by the business meeting under the chairmanship of Mr. H. W. Knight. Eight new members were elected, seven from Yatton and one from Portishead.

Subject to permission, the following towers were chosen for meetings: Wraxall (quarterly) and Nailsea (June). The May meeting will be replaced by the Striking Competition at Nempnett Thrubwell, with Mr. A. M. Tyler, of Bristol, as judge. The test piece will be 120 Doubles or Minor, rung by a tower's Sunday service band.

An offer from Portishead to hold the annual Corporate Communion at their tower was accepted with thanks by the meeting.

Tribute was paid to the memory of Mrs. E. Knight, who had died since the last meeting, and Mr. H. W. Knight was congratulated on his election at the annual general meeting as an honorary life member of the Association.  
J. B.

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## HALF PEALS

**BARROW GURNEY, SOMERSET.**—On April 19th, 2,408 Double Norwich C.B. Major: Brenda Foster 1, Jill D. Sewell 2, Elizabeth T. Birmingham 3, P. G. Erith 4, T. G. Pett 5, B. J. Woodruffe (cond.) 6, R. W. Powell 7, N. J. Davies 8.

**CHRISTCHURCH, NEW ZEALAND.**—On April 4th in 1 hr. 35 mins. at the Cathedral, 2,520 Grand-sire Triples (on the heavy eight): John Dunn 1, John H. Gardner 2, John Gunner 3, Terry Moore 4, Northely Reeve 5, G. Nelson Sloan 6, Raymond Idle (cond.) 7, Colin Ward 8. Longest length on heavy bells with the best wishes of the band to Daniel Richards, of the Cathedral Society, and Miss Helen Walker, on the occasion of their marriage earlier in the day at Holy Trinity Church, Avonside.

**OLD ALRESFORD, HANTS.**—On April 25th, 2,640 Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bob and Grandsire): R. J. Corke (cond. Stedman) 1, Miss L. J. Read 2, D. B. Brown (cond. Grandsire) 3, B. B. Hullah (cond. Plain Bob) 4, F. C. W. Knight 5, W. J. Mansbridge 6. First half peal 2 and 6. A peal attempt to mark the opening this day of Old Alresford Place as the Diocesan Retreat House and Training Centre, which had to be concluded due to an outside interruption.

**BANSWELL, SOMERSET.**—On April 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Sue Walker (first quarter) 1, M. T. Hebden (first quarter 'inside') 2, M. G. Dodson 3, G. Hebden 4, R. W. Rice 5, W. S. Rice (cond.) 6, D. J. Westlake 7, B. Hebden (first quarter) 8. A 21st birthday compliment to Malcolm D. Criddle.

**BIDDENHAM, BEDS.**—On April 25th, 720 Single Oxford and 540 Plain Bob: R. F. Law 1, G. Seth 2, Miss M. F. Pettitt 3, Miss S. Law 4, R. Chapman 5, R. H. French (cond.) 6. Also 1,296 Cambridge Surprise: G. Seth 1, Miss M. F. Pettitt 2, Miss S. Law 3, R. French 4, R. Chapman 5, R. F. Law (cond.) 6. Both rung as birthday compliments to Mrs. M. Daniels and Mrs. V. Law.

**BINSTED, HANTS.**—On April 26th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): K. Sansom 1, Maureen White (first 'inside' three methods) 2, Mary White 3, D. White 4, B. R. Walton (cond.) 5, T. White 6.

**BOSTON, Lincs.**—1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Freeston (first quarter, age 13) 1, W. E. Clarke (cond.) 2, R. Stephenson 3, A. Freeston 4, F. Leggett 5, J. Petch 6. Also on Palm Sunday, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Freeston 1, R. Stephenson 2, N. Forvague 3, A. Freeston 4, F. Leggett 5, J. Petch 6, W. E. Clarke (cond.) 7, T. Freeston 8. In memoriam C. Wright, S. Jessop and F. Dewey. Also on April 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Freeston 1, R. Stephenson 2, A. Freeston 3, F. Leggett 4, A. E. Flatters 5, J. Petch 6, W. E. Clarke (cond.) 7, T. Freeston 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Canon A. M. Cook, former Vicar and Sub Dean of Lincoln Cathedral.

**BRAMPTON, HANTS.**—On Easter Day, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Susan B. Baker 1, C. M. Smith 2, Lucy Smith 3, R. F. Baker (cond.) 4, E. J. Whiting 5, J. F. W. Allen 6.

**BRISTOL.**—At St. Werburgh's Church on April 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Sweet (first quarter) 1, S. G. Riches (cond.) 2, I. Freestone 3, A. True 4, L. Clash 5, K. Ingham (first quarter) 6. For Evensong and visit of Bishop of Malmesbury.

**CHIRTON, WILTS.**—On April 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. Cannings 1, D. Stone (first quarter) 2, F. Stone 3, C. Smith (first quarter) 4, C. Hillier (first as cond.) 5, B. Smith 6. Rung for the fourth centenary of the birth of William Shakespeare and for St. George's Day.

**CLAPHAM PARK, LONDON.**—On April 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Tipler 1, A. Clayton 3, R. Cooles 4, A. Mann 5, A. Bishop 6, J. Eisel 7, F. Seabright (cover). A.M.D.G.

**DUNSFORD, DEVON.**—On April 2nd, 1,260 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob Doubles: J. Bird 1, P. M. Evans 2, R. Waters 3, B. Neale 4, E. N. Thomas (cond.) 5, D. Thomas 6. First quarter 1 and 6. By South Wales Nomads touring Exeter area.

**EDMONTON, MIDDY.**—On April 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Major: Jacky Hedges 1, Beryl Platt 2, Teresa Langdon 3, Sheila Moore 4, Trudy Newcombe 5, E. Beachamp 6, D. Langdon 7, T. Hawkins (cond.) 8. First of Major 1 and 2. For Evensong.

**ELSTOW, BEDS.**—On April 12th, 1,272 Oxford T.B. Minor: M. J. Marriott 1, Miss M. F. Pettitt 2, Miss S. M. Law 3, S. R. Huckle 4, R. F. Law 5, R. H. French (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**EXETER, DEVON.**—At the Church of St. Petrock, on April 26th, 1,440 Little Bob Minor: P. Colton 1, C. Yates 2, A. White 3, M. F. Lock 4, Diane Lisenden 5, C. Reeves (cond.) 6. First in method for all. For Evensong.

## QUARTER PEALS

**HOWDEN, YORKS.**—On April 18th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. F. Smallwood (cond.) 1, Molly E. Powell 2, Veronica E. Dupre 3, Kate M. H. Branson 4, A. J. Stimson 5, Ian Lloyd (first in method) 6, A. W. Lloyd 7, J. H. Lott 8.

**GAYWOOD, NORFOLK.**—1,260 Plain Bob Minor: W. Shipp 1, Robt. Greenacre 2, Roger Harrop (first quarter) 3, E. Greenacre 4, R. Shipp 5, E. Shipp (cond.) 6. For the Induction of the new Rector, Rev. G. Phizackerly.

**GREASLEY, NOTTS.**—On April 25th, 1,532 Gainsborough Little Bob Major: H. Lewin 1, D. A. Whetton 2, D. J. Beach 3, P. Mary Beach 4, G. Challans 5, P. Nix 6, F. Cooke 7, H. T. Rooke (cond.) 8. First in the method by all. Rung as a compliment to the congregation of Greasley Hill Top Mission Church.

**HIGHCLERE, HANTS.**—On April 19th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Cynthia Kemp (first quarter) 1, Kay Winterbourne (first quarter) 2, P. Holmes 3, M. Holbrook 4, G. Dodd (cond.) 5, P. Murduck 6. Also on April 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. Kewell 1, G. K. Dodd (cond.) 2, Penelope Goddard 3, C. Smith 4, A. Green (first quarter) 5, J. Cheney 6.

**LANCHESTER, CO. DURHAM.**—On April 12th, 1,320 Doubles (three methods): Miss L. Moore 1, K. Ather 2, A. Walker 3, D. Appleton 4, H. P. Thompson (cond.) 5, J. Thompson 6. First in three methods for the band. For Evensong. Also on April 19th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: D. Ballentine 1, J. Tonks (first 'inside') 2, J. Thomson 3, A. Walker 4, H. P. Thompson (cond.) 5, D. Appleton 6. For Evensong. Also on April 26th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Thomson 1, A. Walker 2, B. Nicholson (first quarter) 3, H. P. Thompson (cond.) 4, D. Appleton 5, R. S. Jackson (first quarter) 6. For Evensong.

**LICHFIELD, STAFFS.**—On April 12th, at the Cathedral, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: Gillian M. Webb 1, Penelope Sedgwick 2, Marlene E. Townsend 3, Lucy Smith 4, F. A. Sedgwick 5, J. B. Webb 6, B. J. Townsend 7, C. M. Smith (cond.) 8. For Matins.

**LINTON, KENT.**—On April 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: I. Russell 1, Shirley Town 2, T. Grise 3, J. Mattingley 4, N. Mattingley 5, W. Manser 6, L. Head (cond.) 7, P. Town 8. To welcome the Rev. C. D. Elliott, A.K.C., inducted as Vicar this day.

**LODERS, DORSET.**—On April 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. J. Davis 1, Mrs. J. Mead 2, Rev. O. L. Willmott 3, J. Mead 4, J. Davis (cond.) 5, H. Crabb 6. A tribute to Alfred Crabb, father of the ringer of 6.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes' on April 19th, 1,296 Little Bob Royal: E. J. Ludd (cond.) 1, Miss K. Guy 2, Miss M. A. Ladd 3, T. E. Sone 4, Mrs. O. Tester 5, P. J. Spice 6, Miss D. Colgate 7, J. W. Smith 8, J. E. Cannell 9, C. Tester 10. First in the method by all the band.

**LONG EATON, DERBYS.**—On April 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Harvey 1, D. Marshall (cond.) 2, A. Humphrey 3, C. Geary 4, R. Gascoyne 5, C. Bewick 6. First quarter 5 and 6. A wedding compliment to Rev. A. Chappell.

**MITCHELDEAN, GLOS.**—On April 19th, 1,260 Minor (Kent T.B. and Plain Bob): R. Poston 1, G. Cousins 2, P. D. Sell 3, J. Turney 4, A. Paton 5, F. Scudamore (cond.) 6. First quarter on the bells since rehanging. For Evensong.

**NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.**—At St. George's Church, Jesmond, on April 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Esther Henderson 1, P. C. E. Shears (first 'inside') 2, S. J. Pardoe 3, J. G. White 4, A. G. Craddock (cond.) 5, J. A. Sturrock 6. Rung by members of the Royal Grammar School Society and St. George's Guild for Evensong.

**NORTHMOOR, OXON.**—On April 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Batten 1, Susan Cantell 2, V. Clifton 3, F. Trinder 4, D. Floyd (cond.) 5, P. Trinder 6. To celebrate the 80th birthday of Mr. G. Bowsher, a ringer at this church for nearly 70 years.

**NOTTINGHAM.**—At St. Peter's Church on April 19th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss A. Henson 1, Mrs. M. Foskett 2, F. A. Salter 3, C. Towers 4, H. Dale 5, D. Stainsby 6, S. Foskett 7, R. Inglis (first quarter of Major) 8. For Evensong, and as a birthday compliment to Audrey Moulit.

**ORMSKIRK, LANCs.**—On April 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. Garner 1, J. Dilworth 2, J. Pilkington 3, John Dilworth 4, W. G. Ellison 5, R. Larkey 6, J. Brown (cond.) 7, H. Robinson 8. Rung for the Queen's birthday and the Chancellor's visitation.

**ORSETT, ESSEX.**—On April 19th, 1,260 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure: Miss V. Mathews 1, Mrs. D. G. Mayell 2, T. G. Hull 3, H. Smith 4, D. G. Mayell (cond.) 5. First in the method by all and on the bells.

**PORTBURY, SOMERSET.**—On March 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Goodliffe 1, Jennifer Brake 2, M. Horsman 3, V. James 4, G. Skelly 5, B. H. Goodliffe (first of Minor as cond.) 6. Also on March 20th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Bob Doubles): C. Peuple 1, G. Skelly 2, R. Goodliffe 3, V. James 4, B. H. Goodliffe (cond.) 5, A. Saye 6.

**PORTSMOUTH.**—At St. Mary's, Portsea, on April 19th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. M. Page 1, N. W. Cope 2, T. R. Taylor 3, R. H. R. Parker 4, W. Riddle 5, A. Page 6, L. D. Duguid 7, A. Burbridge (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**ROMSEY, HANTS.**—On April 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (6, 4, 8 covering): V. M. Polhill (first quarter) 1, M. D. G. Northway 2, M. L. Northway (cond.) 3, Miss D. Greenlaw 4, H. J. Page 5, K. J. Jacobs 6, P. J. Jackson 7, D. Greenlaw 8. For Evensong.

**ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX.**—On April 21st, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Miss B. Butler 1, Miss J. Carter 2, Miss P. Butcher 3, A. W. Fuller 4, A. J. Butcher (cond.) 5, Miss L. Taylor 6, W. J. Sale 7, Mrs. S. Norris 8. Rung with 7, 6, 8 covering, as a compliment to Miss J. Carter and Mr. A. G. Lowther, on their engagement.

**SAXTHORPE, NORFOLK.**—On April 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Smith (cond.) 1, R. Cullington 2, P. Stearnman 3, D. Pardon 4, D. Gray (first quarter) 5, N. Wright 6.

**SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.**—On March 15th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: A. B. Stevens 1, N. W. Grassby 2, B. G. Warwick 3, Carol I. V. Corton 4, A. R. Mildred 5, M. G. Wood 6, D. W. Stenson 7, K. H. Mildred (cond.) 8. Also on March 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Carol L. Norman 1, A. R. Mildred 2, Mrs. B. G. Warwick 3, Carol I. V. Corton 4, D. W. Stenson 5, K. H. Mildred 6, M. G. Wood (cond.) 7, N. R. May 8. For Evensong. Also on Easter Day, 1,260 Minor (Kent T.B. and Plain Bob): N. W. Grassby 1, B. G. Warwick (cond.) 2, A. R. Mildred 3, Carol I. V. Corton 4, D. W. Stenson 5, K. H. Mildred 6. Also on April 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Carol L. Norman 1, N. W. Grassby 2, B. G. Warwick 3, Carol I. V. Corton (first as cond.) 4, A. R. Mildred 5, D. W. Stenson 6, K. H. Mildred 7, June E. Wood 8. All for Evensong.

**STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.**—At the Church of St. Mary, on April 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Susan Heys (first quarter) 1, F. Dodds 2, Janet Heys 3, Joyce Grainger 4, G. W. Mitchell 5, J. Robinson (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**SUNDERLAND.**—At the Church of St. Ignatius, on March 21st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: J. Anderson 1, Miss E. Murcott 2, Miss G. Douglas 3, Miss I. Thomson 4, R. Bell 5, M. Armstrong 6, W. Tyson 7, T. Cooke 8. During the Lumley Castle ringing course.

**THURLOXTON, SOMERSET.**—On April 23rd, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): W. H. Tarr 1, E. H. Langley 2, J. E. Brewer 3, A. H. Reed 4, N. J. Maggs (cond.) 5. Rung in honour of Induction and Institution of the Rev. H. C. Hosken as Rector.

**TUCKINGMILL, CORNWALL.**—On April 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. J. Bew (first of Triples) 1, Wendy Bird 2, Frances Gilbert 3, D. P. Treble 4, J. B. Long 5, D. P. Snowsell 6, J. A. Bennett (cond.) 7, B. G. North 8.

**WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.**—On April 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: D. Wright (first quarter) 1, H. Rumens 2, J. Boyack 3, C. Wright (first quarter) 4, E. Holman 5, P. Chapman 6, D. Hewitt (cond.) 7, J. Rixon 8. For Evensong.

**WARSOP, NOTTS.**—On April 19th, 1,320 Minor (London Surprise and Oxford T.B.): F. Cooke 1, J. T. Rooke 2, M. Foster 3, F. Flint 4, D. H. Rooke 5, H. T. Rooke (cond.) 6. For Evensong and also in honour of the marriage of John Terrance Horner and Freda Ann Robinson (former ringer at Warsop), whose wedding took place on Saturday, April 18th.

**WELLINGTON, SOMERSET.**—On April 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: S. N. Bristow 1, C. H. Webber 2, Mrs. M. Riddle 3, G. J. Gammon 4, I. G. Hughes 5, W. A. Riddle 6, D. T. North (cond.) 7, B. Hughes 8. A compliment to Mr. C. H. Webber, who joined the Guild of Devonshire Ringers 50 years ago.

**WEST HUNTSPILL, SOMERSET.**—On April 15th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: G. H. Pullin 1, C. T. Clarke 2, B. J. Wyde 3, M. J. Stone 4, E. T. Lee 5, J. Brain (cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to fourth ringer.



# CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL RINGERS

## Truro Arrangements

### TUESDAY, MAY 19th

7.15 a.m.—Celebration of Holy Communion in Truro Cathedral. The Celebrant will be the Dean of Truro, the Very Rev. H. M. Lloyd.

9.45 a.m.—Meeting of Council in Town Hall. Make own arrangements for mid-day meal. There are plenty of places within easy reach of the town centre, where lunches or light snacks may be obtained.

2 p.m.—Afternoon session of Council in Town Hall.

4.30 p.m.—Reception by the Truro Diocesan Guild of Ringers in the City Hall Annex. Members of the Central Council and their friends will be introduced to the Mayor and Mayoress of Truro and the Lord Bishop of Truro. A tea of traditional Cornish fare will be served. Admission will be by ticket only. Please make application for your tickets (limited to two per member) direct to the Secretary of the Council, address as below, by not later than May 8th.

There will be an informal evening at the Headquarters Hotel, The Red Lion, Boscawen Street, Truro. The Elizabethan Room of the Hotel will be reserved for members and friends.

## RINGING ARRANGEMENTS

The following towers in the Truro District are available for ringing at the times shown. In case no local ringer is available to meet a band, please leave the bells exactly as you find them. Clock hammers to be pulled off at Probus and Kenwyn.

Truro Cathedral (10 bells): Saturday, May 16th, 7 to 9 p.m.; Sunday, 9 to 9.45 (SR), 5.30 to 6.15 (SR), 7.30 to 9 p.m.; Monday, 3 to 4 p.m., 7 to 9 p.m.; Tuesday, 6.30 to 9 p.m.

Kenwyn (8): Saturday, 7 to 9 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 to 11 (SR), 5.45 to 6.15 (SR), 7.15 to

9 p.m.; Monday, 10 to 12, 7 to 9 p.m.; Tuesday: 7 to 9 p.m.

Kea (8): Saturday, 7 to 9 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 to 11 (SR), 3.30 to 4.30, 6 to 6.30 (SR), 7.30 to 9 p.m.; Monday, 2 to 3 p.m., 7 to 9 p.m.; Tuesday, 6.30 to 9 p.m.

Perran-ar-Worthal (6): Saturday, 6 to 8 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 to 11 (SR), 4 to 5 p.m., 5.45 to 6.15 (SR), 7.15 to 9 p.m.; Monday, 1.30 to 3 p.m., 7 to 9 p.m.; Tuesday, 7 to 9 p.m.

St. Erme (6): Saturday, 7 to 9 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 to 11 (SR), 3 to 4 p.m., 5.45 to 6.15 (SR), 7.30 to 9 p.m.; Monday, 2.30 to 3.30, 7 to 9 p.m.; Tuesday, 6.30 to 9 p.m.

Probus (8): Saturday, 7 to 9 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 to 11 (SR), 5.45 to 6.15 (SR), 7.30 to 9 p.m.; Monday, 3.30 to 5 p.m., 7.30 to 9 p.m.; Tuesday, 7 to 9 p.m.

(SR)—Service ringing.

Kea Church is  $\frac{1}{4}$  miles from Truro, just off main Falmouth Road.

Perran-ar-Worthal is five miles on main Falmouth Road, turn right just past the Norway Inn.

St. Erme is three miles from Truro, just off main Newquay Road.

Probus is five miles from Truro, on main St. Austell Road.

## TOURS

Two coach tours are being arranged, of which the following are the details:

Sunday, May 17th.—Dep. Red Lion, Truro, 1.30 p.m. St. Enoder, 1.45 to 2.45 p.m. St. Columb Major, 3 to 4 p.m. St. Stephen-in-Brannel 4.30 to 5.30 p.m. High tea at Windsor Grill, St. Austell, 6 p.m. St. Austell, after Evensong to 8.30 p.m. Arrive Truro approximately 9.15 p.m. Fare, including meal at St. Austell, 10s. 6d.

Monday, May 18th.—Dep. Red Lion, Truro, 9.30 a.m. Tuckingmill, 10 to 11 a.m. St. Mary's, Penzance, 11.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m. Make own arrangements in Penzance for lunch. Gulval, 1.45 to 2.45 p.m. Carbis Bay, 3.15 to

4.15 p.m. Phillack, 4.30 to 5.30 p.m. Arrive Truro approximately 6.30 p.m. Fare only, 7s. 6d.

Please make application for the tours direct to the undermentioned, enclosing remittance. Tickets will be forwarded by return: Mr. A. J. Davidson, Tyneholm, Barrack Lane, Truro, Cornwall.

For Saturday, May 16th, application has been made for the following towers on the A.30 main road to be open at the times stated: St. Mary's, Launceston, 1.30 to 2.30; Altarnon, 3 to 4; Bodmin, 4.15 to 5 p.m.

Ringing is also being arranged for a touring party of Council members, and others with their own transport are welcome. The following towers have been applied for at the dates and times mentioned:

Sunday, May 17th.—Launceston, 10 to 11 a.m. (Service ringing). Altarnon, 1 to 2 p.m. Cardinham, 2 to 3 p.m. St. Mabyn, 3 to 4 p.m. Bodmin, 5.15 to 6.10 p.m. (Service ringing).

Monday, May 18th.—St. Columb Minor, 9.30 to 10.30. St. Mawgan, 10.30 to 11.30. St. Dennis, 11.30 to 12.30. St. Stephen-in-Brannel, 12.30 to 1.30. Ladock, 2.30 to 3.30.

Wednesday, May 20th.—Redruth, 9.30 to 10.30. Camborne, 10.30 to 11.30. Crowan, 11.30 to 12.30. Phillack, 1.30 to 2.30. Carbis Bay, 2.30 to 3.45. Towdenack, 3.45 to 4.45. St. Mary's PZ, 7 to 8 p.m. Madron, 8.15 to 9 p.m.

Thursday, May 21st.—Lanlivery, 11.30 to 12.30. Lansallos, 1.30 to 2.30. Liskeard, 2.30 to 3.30. St. Germans, 3.30 to 4.30. Stoke Climsland, 4.30 to 5.30.

**Affiliation Fees.**—At the time of writing, the affiliation fees for 1964 of the undermentioned Societies have not been paid: Derbyshire Association, Devon Association, East Derby and Notts Association, Essex Association, St. Martin's Guild, Sheffield and District Society.

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Mr. R. Gorton, of 152, Deane Road, Bolton, completed on May 2nd 61 years as a ringer, of which the first 60 were at The Saviour's Church. For the last 12 months he has been a freelance. His father was for 67 years a ringer at The Saviour's Church. This is, indeed, a family record to be proud of.

The band who rang in the 150th peal on the bells of St. John's, Cardiff, on April 23rd, included five of the Sunday service band.

The peal at Seavington on April 23rd was rung by the St. James', Taunton, band, with the exception of Mr. Tom Hill, of Ilminster, to whom grateful thanks are accorded.

A naval correspondent who will be in Mombasa in June and hopes on six days' leave to visit Nairobi inquires as to the possibilities of a ring on the six bells at Kilifi.

Is it the custom for young ladies having the misfortune to break a stay in a strange tower to purloin the same as a souvenir? This happened recently when the Wotton Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Association visited Malmesbury, Wilts.

Commander Davies, the son of the late Rev. C. D. P. Davies, the well known authority on ringing, visited Aldbourne tower during the meeting of the Marlborough District of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild on April 25th. The Commander resides at Aldbourne.

Yorkshire has wrested from Lancashire the honour of most methods rung to a peal of Royal. On April 25th at Wakefield Cathedral a peal of 28 spliced methods was rung, conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton. A fine achievement!

A peal attempt at Old Alresford to mark the opening of a Diocesan Retreat House and training centre was terminated because the local tower captain was required to disconnect a hosepipe in a garden near the church. A half peal was, however, rung.

On the day after a peal Mr. Michael E. Brown was in Mr. Mick Vernon's shop at Stoney Stanton when he heard Mick ask a customer, who lived near the church, if the bells annoyed her. She replied that they lulled her baby to sleep and wished they rang every night!

## BELFRY GOSSIP

The band who rang the peal at St. Stephen's, St. Albans, on April 18th wish to associate it with Miss Christine Rimmer. No girl could wish for a more graceful compliment as the method was St. Albans Delight.

The peal of Kent T.B. Major at Clanfield, Oxon, on April 25th, was the first in the method on the bells since 1921.

Miss Claire Dillamore informs us that to the best of her knowledge the gentleman who rang on her left in the peal at Downham, Essex, on March 29th (see page 281) was Peter J. Came, and not as printed. Will the conductor accept this correction?

Congratulations to 14-year-old Ronnie Loxley, of Eckington, Worcs, on his first attempt for a peal. He rang the treble faultlessly to Bob Minor at his home tower. A 19½ cwt. six of magnificent tone, Eckington bells are locally regarded as being 'men's bells.'

The Rev. L. Reading, who is leaving Shrub End, Colchester, to a national position in the Church of England, was recently responsible in getting the three bells at Shrub End augmented to six. A farewell peal was rung on the bells on April 23rd. 'We in N.E. Essex wish him good luck in the name of the Lord,' writes F. H. L.

The band who rang the peal of Stedman Caters at Nottingham St. Mary's wish to thank Mr. Walter Nicolls for volunteering to ring the tenor at short notice when the band met short for Royal. This was the 19th time Walter had rung the 35 cwt. bell to a peal and at the age of 69 his latest performance was first class; fully deserving of the congratulations of the band.

The last meeting of the Kent County Association at Tenterden was not 59 years ago as erroneously stated in our report. Mr. H. E. Audsley recalls a meeting there in 1932 or 1933. Lunch at the time cost 2s. 6d. and included a bottle of beer. Mr. Audsley and the late Harry Hoverd were in charge of the distribution of beer and when they had finished there was none left for themselves! This sad state of affairs has not been forgotten.

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## TWELVE BELL PEALS

## BRISTOL

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 4 Hours and 2 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY REDCLIFFE,

## A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 50 cwt. in C.

ELIZABETH BOWDEN .. .. Treble	DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. .. 7
FREDERICK J. NELSON .. .. 2	JOHN ROBINSON .. .. 8
MARYL R. CROSTHWAITE .. 3	RALPH G. EDWARDS .. .. 9
BRIAN J. WYLDE .. .. 4	FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. 10
DEREK A. ASHTON .. .. 5	JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. 11
TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. .. 6	DENIS MOTTERSHEAD .. .. Tenor

Arranged by DEREK OGDEN, Conducted by FREDERICK SHALLCROSS.  
First peal of Yorkshire on the bells.

## WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

## A PEAL OF 5011 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 26 cwt. 18 lb. in D.

FRANK L. HARRIS .. .. Treble	R. ROGER SAVORY .. .. 7
ANN M. COX .. .. 2	JOHN HARTLESS .. .. 8
DAVID E. HOUSE .. .. 3	GWILYM SALMON .. .. 9
PHILIP N. TUBBS .. .. 4	EDWARD J. CHIVERS .. .. 10
MICHAEL J. BEST .. .. 5	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. 11
JOHN R. FAITHFULL .. .. 6	LEWIS F. COBB .. .. Tenor

Composed by SHIRLEY BURTON, Conducted by FRANK L. HARRIS.

## TEN BELL PEALS

## NEWBURY, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

## A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 1 lb.

*JEAN CURTIS .. .. Treble	JOHN W. T. HIBBERT .. .. 6
*H. MARY WILLIAMS .. .. 2	*HAROLD SMITH .. .. 7
PATRICIA E. HIBBERT .. 3	*FREDERICK E. TURNER .. 8
*ROGER B. PIKE .. .. 4	*WALTER HUNT .. .. 9
HENRY LAWRENSEN .. .. 5	JOSEPH E. CONSTANT .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD (C.C.C. No. 33).

Conducted by WALTER HUNT.

\* First peal of Caters.

## NOTTINGHAM.

THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 35 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CATERS

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

DAVID W. FRIEND .. .. Treble	GORDON A. HALLS .. .. 6
DAVID J. MARSHALL .. .. 2	DENIS R. CARLISLE .. .. 7
ALAN BRIDGES .. .. 3	MALCOLM P. PHIPPS .. .. 8
ROBIN ROGERS .. .. 4	JOHN F. MURFIN .. .. 9
DAVID W. PARKIN .. .. 5	WALTER NICOLLS .. .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by GORDON A. HALLS.

## WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

## A PEAL OF 5220 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 24 cwt. 18 lb.

*DAVID BATES .. .. Treble	REV. MICHAEL HART .. .. 6
MAURICE TURNER .. .. 2	ALBERT J. HUBBLE .. .. 7
†CHRISTINE TURNER .. .. 3	KEITH WILLIAMS .. .. 8
ARTHUR H. HINGLEY .. .. 4	JOHN ASTBURY .. .. 9
*BRIAN MORTON .. .. 5	JOSEPH HINGLEY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR H. HINGLEY.

\* First peal on ten. † First peal.

A welcome to Rev. Gerald Owen; also a farewell peal to John Astbury.

## CARDIFF, GLAMORGAN.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., April 23, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 26 cwt. 4 lb. in D.

*NONA DAVIES .. .. Treble	THOMAS T. YEOMANS .. .. 6
MARY E. PRYOR .. .. 2	JOHN MANLEY .. .. 7
M. ELIZABETH BROWN .. 3	GEOFFREY J. B. STICKLAND .. 8
†CHRISTOPHER L. R. BAINHAM .. 4	M. JACK PRYOR .. .. 9
*JOHN OWEN .. .. 5	WILLIAM T. PETTY .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. HUDSON. Conducted by M. JACK PRYOR.

\* First peal. † First of Caters. † First of Grandsire. First as conductor. 150th peal on the bells.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## AMBROSDEN, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.

On Sat., Feb. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb.

M. ROGER ASHMORE .. .. Treble	CHRISTINE C. MACNAIR .. .. 5
JOHN W. THORP .. .. 2	NICHOLAS J. MARTIN .. .. 6
BRUCE WAKEFIELD .. .. 3	F. JOHN NELSON .. .. 7
JOHN S. RANK .. .. 4	JOHN E. CAMP .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by F. JOHN NELSON.

## NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., April 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

## A PEAL OF 5152 DERBY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F.

KATHLEEN PILSBURY .. .. Treble	DEREK YATES .. .. 5
EILEEN M. FEARN .. .. 2	ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. 6
BASIL JONES .. .. 3	ALAN MCFALL .. .. 7
CAROL FERNLEY .. .. 4	WILLIAM H. DOWSE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BASIL JONES.

In memoriam Sidney Hough, interred this day at Knutsford.

## KIRTlington, OXFORDSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., April 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Sir A. P. Heywood's transposition of Thurstan's.

WALTER F. JUDGE .. .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. 5
*NORMAN LESLIE .. .. 2	EDGAR J. SMITH .. .. 6
*DENNIS LESLIE .. .. 3	GEORGE W. HOLLAND .. .. 7
WILLIAM A. YATES .. .. 4	FRANCIS A. WHITE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE W. HOLLAND.

\* First peal of Stedman. Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb.

## STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., April 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET OF ANTIOCH,

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED PLAIN MAJOR

Consisting of 2,016 each of Plain and Little, and 1,008 of St. Clement's; with 377 changes of method. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 17 lb.

*DEREK CARR .. .. Treble	MICHAEL J. STANLEY .. .. 5
VICTOR GRIFFIN .. .. 2	E. WILLIAM FORD .. .. 6
W. BERTRAM KYNASTON .. 3	BRIAN BLADON .. .. 7
PETER WAKEFIELD .. .. 4	ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE E. FEIRN. Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

\* First peal. First of Spliced Plain Major by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

## WASHINGBOROUGH, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., April 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-DIVINE,

## A PEAL OF 5184 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

NORAH M. RANGLES .. .. Treble	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. .. 5
*JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. .. 2	JOHN WALDEN .. .. 6
*CLAIRE DILLAMORE .. .. 3	JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. .. 7
LOUIS WILLIERS .. .. 4	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by GEOFFREY R. PARKER.

\* First peal in the method.

## BACUP, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 11 methods, comprising 576 each of Cambridge, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire, 448 Bristol, 384 each of Ashead, Cassiobury, Lincolnshire, London, Rutland and Uxbridge; with 124 changes of method.

Tenor 10 cwt.

PHILIP J. CROSTHWAITE .. Treble	*RICHARD J. PARKER .. .. 5
JAMES H. PAILING .. .. 2	*CYRIL CROSTHWAITE .. .. 6
J. BARRY PICKUP .. .. 3	NORMAN SMITH .. .. 7
*WALTER E. WILKINSON .. 4	*ERNEST BENNETT .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NORMAN SMITH.

\* Most methods to a peal of Spliced Surprise Major.

Rung as a 90th birthday compliment to Tom Johnson, formerly a ringer at St. Leonard's, Padiham.

## BEDWORTH, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF 5120 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 18 lb. in G.

*CLARE F. DOLPHIN .. .. Treble	†RICHARD D. GIBSON .. .. 5
WILLIAM H. MALE .. .. 2	†GEOFFREY W. RANDALL .. .. 6
GEORGE P. HAMMOND .. .. 3	PETER S. BENNETT .. .. 7
ERNEST J. GOWER .. .. 4	†EDWARD HOLDSWORTH .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. POYNER. Conducted by EDWARD HOLDSWORTH.

\* First peal attempt. † First of Major in the method. First of Major as conductor.



BENINGTON, HERTFORDSHIRE.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt.

G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. Treble	ERIC EDMONDSON .. .. 5
*DAVID R. SAUNDERSON .. 2	COLIN A. S. HARWOOD .. 6
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 3	JACK S. DEAR .. .. 7
PETER J. COLES .. .. 4	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. Tenor

Composed by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

Conducted by CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY.

\* First peal of Surprise Major 'inside.'

**BIRMINGHAM.**

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, HANDSWORTH.

**A PEAL OF 5184 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. 78 lb. in F.

JENNIFER M. COOK .. Treble	MAURICE G. INGRAM .. .. 5
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 2	FREDERICK ROSS .. .. 6
WILLIAM J. V. CONDUCT .. 3	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. 7
JOHN R. INSLEY .. .. 4	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN J. IVIN. Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

**BIRSTWITH, YORKSHIRE.**

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 55 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.

**A PEAL OF 7168 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 11½ cwt.

MRS. D. SMITH .. Treble	PETER M. DAWSON .. .. 5
ROGER J. LUMLEY .. .. 2	BARRY SULLIVAN .. .. 6
PETER A. KIRKBY .. .. 3	LEONARD GOODALL .. .. 7
DAVID SMITH .. .. 4	H. DAVID HOLLAND .. Tenor

Composed by AMBURN WILSON. Conducted by LEONARD GOODALL.

In memoriam Jackson Ewbank, ringer and chorister at this church for over 60 years, who died recently.

This composition contains the 60 course-ends and is rung for the first time.

**BROUGHTON-IN-FURNESS, LANCASHIRE.**

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt.

*JEFFREY T. TURNER .. Treble	RAYMOND SUART .. .. 5
MRS. NORMA WALL .. .. 2	W. THOMAS TURNER .. 6
JAMES E. BURLS .. .. 3	JOHN BAGNALL .. .. 7
G. ALAN METTERS .. .. 4	WILLIAM WALL .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by WILLIAM WALL.

\* First peal.

**BUCKLAND, BERKSHIRE.**

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 17 cwt.

FREDERICK W. SODEN .. Treble	PETER PEARCE .. .. 5
*JAMES F. LIST .. .. 2	PETER BEEDIE .. .. 6
PETER G. HOLDEN .. .. 3	D. KAY ADKINS .. .. 7
†BRENDA HALL .. .. 4	BRIAN W. HALL .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. MORRIS. Conducted by D. KAY ADKINS.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First of Bob Major.

**CHEWTON MENDIP, SOMERSET.**

THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE.

**A PEAL OF 5152 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 24 cwt. 1 qr. 1 lb. in D.

*JILL D. SEWELL .. Treble	PHILIP G. ERITH .. .. 5
ELIZABETH T. BIRMINGHAM .. 2	ROGER W. POWELL .. .. 6
PAULINE FENNELL .. .. 3	NICHOLAS J. DAVIES .. 7
TIMOTHY G. PETT .. .. 4	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

\* First peal of Surprise Major.

**CLEATOR MOOR, CUMBERLAND.**

THE CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOC.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST.

**A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

(The Cannon Peal.)

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

NICHOLAS M. NEWBY .. Treble	NICHOLAS M. NEWBY, JUN. 5
*M. KATE DENT .. .. 2	HAROLD WILSON .. .. 6
JAMES E. DICKINSON .. 3	ALAN CAPSTICK .. .. 7
GEOFFREY TEMBEY .. .. 4	THOMAS F. METCALFE .. Tenor

Composed by FRANK C. W. KNIGHT.

Conducted by THOMAS F. METCALFE.

\* First peal 'inside.'

Rung for the birth of a son to H.M. the Queen.

**EPWORTH, LINCOLNSHIRE.**

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

**A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 17 cwt. 16 lb. in F.

JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. Treble	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. .. 5
*ANNE E. BATESON .. .. 2	JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. 6
DELIA E. HEPPENSTALL .. 3	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. 7
CLAIRE DILLAMORE .. .. 4	A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL .. Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX. Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

\* First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major.

**HANBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.**

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb. in F sharp.

WILLIAM B. POMEROY .. Treble	PAUL CATERMOLE .. .. 5
GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. 2	JOHN C. EISEL .. .. 6
ARTHUR C. BERRY .. .. 3	GERALD C. HEMMING .. 7
MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. 4	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by GERALD C. HEMMING.

A birthday compliment to Martin D. Fellows.

**HORSHAM, SUSSEX.**

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5088 DARLINGTON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 23 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb.

LEONARD STILWELL .. Treble	MARTIN F. LOCK .. .. 5
RUTH M. FOREMAN .. .. 2	ALICK CUTLER .. .. 6
EDGAR R. RIPLEY .. .. 3	DENNIS KNOX .. .. 7
RONALD J. SHARP .. .. 4	THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. Tenor

Composed by D. KNOX. Conducted by THOMAS J. LOCK.

First peal in the method by all except ringer of seventh, and for the Association.

**KINGSDOWN, BRISTOL.**

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 22 cwt.

ELISABETH A. G. BOWDEN Treble	PETER BRIDLE .. .. 5
GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. .. 2	F. CECIL MOGFORD .. 6
ALAN TUBB .. .. 3	*D. JOHN HUNT .. .. 7
MALCOLM M. POWELL .. 4	VICTOR GRIFFIN .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

\* 50th peal for the Association as conductor.

**NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.**

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS.

**A PEAL OF 5152 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

HAROLD C. LONYON .. Treble	ROBERT J. WARRILLOW .. 5
ALAN SHARPLES .. .. 2	A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. 6
JOHN WORTH .. .. 3	BASIL JONES .. .. 7
ALAN MCFALL .. .. 4	ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY. Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

A 21st birthday compliment to Bernard F. L. Groves.

**NORTH BRADLEY, WILTSHIRE.**

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

**A PEAL OF 5008 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. in F sharp.

EDGAR C. SHEPHERD .. Treble	BRYAN C. STIRLAND .. .. 5
FREDERICK S. SLATFORD .. 2	*DAVID T. H. ROBERTSON 6
*RICHARD O. HUMPHRIES .. 3	GEORGE W. MASSEY .. 7
*NORMAN G. N. KNEE .. 4	LAURENCE E. HITCHENS .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN H. WOOD. Conducted by GEORGE W. MASSEY.

\* First peal in the method.

**NORTHCHURCH, HERTFORDSHIRE.**

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. 24 lb. in F sharp.

*JONATHAN D. CHAMBERLAIN Treble	BRIAN M. BARKER .. .. 5
HOWARD COLLINGS .. .. 2	REGINALD E. SHEPPARD .. 6
†A. RONALD ASHBY .. .. 3	KEITH D. WAPLES .. .. 7
‡JAMES LAWSON .. .. 4	ANTONY R. KENCH .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by ANTONY R. KENCH.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First 'inside.' ‡ First peal attempt.



NORTH MYMMS, HERTFORDSHIRE.  
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. Mary.

# **A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt.

BARBARA M. GOODSPEED Treble	STEPHEN P. DARVILL .. 5
*CHRISTINA R. FOLKES .. 2	*KEITH J. WALPOLE .. 6
*NINA B. THOMAS .. 3	KENNETH J. DARVILL .. 7
*GILLIAN M. BREARLEY .. 4	*ROBERT E. HARDY .. Tenor

Composed by W. SOTTANSTALL. Conducted by KENNETH J. DARVILL.  
\* First peal in the method. † First 'inside' and first of Major.  
‡ First peal. First in the method as conductor.

PONTEFRAC, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.  
At the Church of All Saints.

# **A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Holt's Original. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in F sharp.	
THOMAS W. STRANGWAY Treble	*DOUGLAS THORP .. 5
DAVID ATKINS .. 2	*ROBIN BROWN .. 6
*PATRICIA LOCKWOOD .. 3	DAVID S. LOCKWOOD .. 7
*IAN NORTH .. 4	IRVIN SLACK .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID ATKINS.  
\* First peal of Grandsire. † 25th peal. First of Grandsire as conductor.

QUORNDON, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.  
On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. Bartholomew.

# **A PEAL OF 5152 QUEDGELEY SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb. in F.

DAVID J. ALLEN .. Treble	JOSEPH WM. COTTON .. 5
A. JAMES POYNOR .. 2	A. MAXWELL LINDSEY .. 6
JOHN K. SMITH .. 3	MARTIN C. FAULKES .. 7
R. KINGSLEY MASON .. 4	ALAN E. HARTLEY .. Tenor

Composed by SHIRLEY BURTON. Conducted by R. KINGSLEY MASON.  
First peal in the method by all the band except ringer of fifth, on the bells, and for the Guild.

SALFORD, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.  
At the Church of the Sacred Trinity.

# **A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 11 cwt. 73 lb. in G.

ROSEMARY M. ECCLESTON .. Treble	GILES B. THOMPSON .. 5
JOHN C. BALDWIN .. 2	DEREK A. ASHTON .. 6
DAVID J. BAKER .. 3	FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. 7
JOHN H. SOANES .. 4	NEIL BENNETT .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PIRSTOW. Conducted by FREDERICK SHALLCROSS.  
Rung to welcome the new Rector. Rev. Arthur Peter Lumley, M.A., immediately prior to the induction service.

SELLING, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

# **A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In six methods, comprising 960 of London, 928 of Watford, 832 each of Pudsey, Cambridge and Superlative, and 732 of Bristol: with 122 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell.

Tenor 11 cwt.

HILARY F. MARTIN .. Treble	*DAVID S. OSENTON .. 5
TREVOR A. CROSS .. 2	*CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 6
ROBERT W. HINDE .. 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 7
*CYRIL S. JARRETT .. 4	*MARTIN L. HOWE .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN. Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.  
\* First peal of 6-Spliced. First of 6-Spliced as conductor.  
A 21st birthday compliment to the conductor.

TUNSTALL, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

# **A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 9½ cwt. in A flat.

TERENCE BARTON .. Treble	*GEORGE FRY .. 5
CYRIL S. JARRETT .. 2	DAVID S. OSENTON .. 6
*ALEXANDER WADDINGTON .. 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 7
CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 4	*MARTIN L. HOWE .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN. Conducted by MARTIN L. HOWE.  
\* First peal in the method. † 200th peal. First in the method as conductor.

A 21st birthday compliment to Bernard F. L. Groves.

WHITBY, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. Mary.

# **A PEAL OF 5120 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 19 cwt. 11 lb. in E.

IRIS LEMARE .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER J. GROOME .. 5
MARGARET E. WILKINSON .. 2	GEORGE PLUCKROSE .. 6
GRAHAM SMITH .. 3	JOHN S. RANK .. 7
DAVID PEARSON .. 4	COLIN REEVES .. Tenor

Composed by BRYNLEY A. SHACKLETON. Conducted by COLIN REEVES.

WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH, DEVON.  
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.  
On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist.

# **A PEAL OF 5712 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Shortened from a 6.048 by E. Morris. Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb. in F.	
JENNIFER SMITH .. Treble	NORMAN MALLETT .. 5
FREDERICK WREFOED .. 2	*BRIAN COLES .. 6
ANN E. FELLOWS .. 3	WILLIAM J. HARVEY .. 7
JEAN F. BARNETT .. 4	FRANK D. MACK .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK D. MACK.  
\* First peal of Major.  
To welcome Andrew Glennie, the first grandson of the ringer of the second.

TONBRIDGE, KENT.  
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.  
On Sun., April 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.  
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

# **A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In eight methods, comprising 960 London, 928 Watford, 896 Bristol, 672 Cambridge, 512 Dorchester, 448 each of Pudsey and Superlative, and 416 of Lincoln: with 121 changes of method, and with all the work of each method for each bell.

MIKAELA ERIC .. Treble	STANLEY JENNER .. 5
E. JANE SIBSON .. 2	*EDWIN A. BARNETT .. 6
JOAN BERESFORD .. 3	DEREK E. SIBSON .. 7
*SHEILA M. DOBBIE .. 4	DENNIS BERESFORD .. Tenor

Composed by ALBERT J. PITMAN. Conducted by DENNIS BERESFORD.  
\* First peal of 8-Spliced Surprise Major.

WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Sun., April 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.  
At the Church of SS. Mary and Thomas of Canterbury.

# **A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Parker's Twelve-Part (seventh obs.). Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr.	
WILLIAM CLOVER .. Treble	MARTIN CUBITT .. 5
H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. 2	LESLIE BAILEY .. 6
THOMAS E. SPIGHT .. 3	HENRY TOOKE .. 7
DAVID CUBITT .. 4	PETER ADCOCK .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM CLOVER.  
Rung as a farewell to the Rev. A. W. J. Bertie, who is retiring from the curacy of the above church.

AUGHTON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Mon., April 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.  
At Christ Church.

# **A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Tenor 14 cwt. 12 lb.

*STANLEY LIVESLEY .. Treble	*EDMUND ROTHWELL .. 5
RONALD KENRICK .. 2	DENNIS JONES .. 6
JOHN LUNHAM .. 3	NORMAN HEAPS .. 7
ROBERT LARKEY .. 4	HARRY MOORCROFT .. Tenor

Composed by REV. C. D. P. DAVIES. Conducted by RONALD KENRICK.  
\* First peal.  
Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. J. Lunham.

FOBBING, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.  
On Mon., April 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. Michael.

# **A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt.

*PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. Treble	*MICHAEL J. HALLETT .. 5
*PETER G. BROWN .. 2	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. 6
*TERENCE T. JONES .. 3	FRANK V. GANT .. 7
*DAVID E. BELCHAM .. 4	ALFRED J. HOUSE .. Tenor

Composed by W. BARTON. Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.  
\* 50th peal. † First in the method.

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LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., April 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 17 Minutes.

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb.

SANDRA E. CHESTERTON .. Treble	REV. MALCOLM C.C. MELVILLE 5
RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. .. 2	BRIAN G. WARWICK .. .. 6
RAYMOND A. G. BENFIELD .. 3	G. RONALD EDWARDS .. .. 7
JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. 4	A. JAMES POYNOR .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN J. IVIN.

Conducted by A. JAMES POYNOR.

FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., April 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 SOUTHWELL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Middleton's.	Tenor 12½ cwt.
JOSEPH THORNLEY .. .. Treble	IAN MUNRO .. .. 5
CHRISTOPHER A. LOMAX .. 2	BERNARD MOSS .. .. 6
ALBERT GREENHALGH .. .. 3	GEOFFREY FOTHERGILL .. 7
JAMES CUNLIFFE .. .. 4	JOHN ASHCROFT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN ASHCROFT.

First peal in the method for all.

Rung on the eve of the Feast of St. George.

HAWKSHEAD, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Wed., April 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Parker's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 11 cwt.
ROBIN SHUTTLEWORTH .. Treble	NICHOLAS M. NEWBY .. 5
JAMES E. BURLS .. .. 2	WILLIAM WALL .. .. 6
*FRANK BIRKETT .. .. 3	ALAN CAPSTICK .. .. 7
JOHN BAGNALL .. .. 4	NICHOLAS M. NEWBY, JUN. Tenor

Conducted by NICHOLAS M. NEWBY.

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

Rung to commemorate the golden wedding of Lt.-Col. and Mrs. G. O. Sandys; also as a tribute to that family's 500 years of service and generosity to the Church in Hawkshead. The tenor bell was given by Myles Sandys (1765) and the treble by G. O. Sandys (1958).

MARSHFIELD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY.

On Wed., April 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

**A PEAL OF 5376 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 18 cwt. in F.

*TIMOTHY J. SAMUELSON .. Treble	C. MARTIN FOSTER .. .. 5
†BRIAN M. BAVERSTOCK .. 2	DEREK B. WILLIAMS .. .. 6
MARIA E. KIRBY .. .. 3	†DAI A. EVANS .. .. 7
JANET D. PHILLIPS .. .. 4	DEREK M. SAWYER .. .. Tenor

Composed by ERNEST MORRIS.

Conducted by DEREK M. SAWYER.

\* First peal. † First on eight bells.

An engagement compliment to Ian C. Maycock (Past Master) and Ann Hobbins.

BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.

THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., April 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND LAWRENCE.

**A PEAL OF 5152 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR**

DEREK G. ASTRIDGE .. Treble	HAROLD WAGSTAFFE .. .. 5
*ROBIN ROGERS .. .. 2	DENNIS COOPER .. .. 6
*MARILYN A. GIBBS .. .. 3	GORDON A. HALLS .. .. 7
*MALCOLM P. PHIPPS .. .. 4	IAN M. HOLLAND .. .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM BARTON.

Conducted by IAN M. HOLLAND.

\* First peal in the method.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

A birthday compliment to Mrs. I. M. Holland (April 24th).

BRISTOL.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., April 24, 1964, in 3 Hours.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY AND UNDIVIDED TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

J. J. Parker's Six-Part.	Tenor 21 cwt. 1 lb. in E flat.
*WILLIAM WILLIAMS .. Treble	ALAN TUBB .. .. 5
†DIANA CHAPMAN .. .. 2	†JOHN BRAIN .. .. 6
JACQUELINE A. HOBBS .. 3	PATRICK J. BIRD .. .. 7
MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. 4	D. JOHN HUNT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PATRICK J. BIRD.

\* First peal attempt. † First of Grandsire Triples.

CLANFIELD, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN.

**A PEAL OF 5120 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb. in G flat.

ROBERT B. BLOND .. Treble	FRANK E. GODDEN .. .. 5
*HAROLD W. DUNSDEN .. 2	JOHN H. NAPPER .. .. 6
CLAUDE CORDEROY .. .. 3	ARTHUR W. SAYERS .. .. 7
REGINALD W. REX .. .. 4	GEOFFREY K. DODD .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES.

Conducted by ROBERT B. BLOND.

\* First peal of Treble Bob.

A 79th birthday compliment to Mr. George Clarke, of Clanfield.

**FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS**

OXFORD.

THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.

On Thurs., Feb. 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS-THE-MARTYR.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in four methods: (1) Kent and Oxford T.B., (2) Oxford T.B., (3) Kent T.B., (4) and (5) Cambridge Surprise, (6) and (7) Plain Bob.

BRUCE WAKEFIELD .. Treble	JOHN R. CAWOOD .. .. 4
JOHN W. THORP .. .. 2	M. ROGER ASHMORE .. .. 5
HOWARD K. NICHOLS .. 3	F. JOHN NELSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by F. JOHN NELSON.

SAPCOTE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., April 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR**

In 16 methods, viz.: (1) Beverley, Berwick, Durham, York, Hexham and Surfleet; (2) London and Wells, (3) Netherseale and Lightfoot. (4) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull, Primrose and Bourne; (5) Beverley and Surfleet, (6) Cambridge and Ipswich, (7) Beverley and Surfleet; with 74 changes of method. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in A flat.

V. THOMAS COOPER .. Treble	BRIAN L. BURROWS .. .. 4
*MRS. JILL BELCHER .. .. 2	†JOHN WATKINS .. .. 5
CHRISTINE J. STRATFORD .. 3	MICHAEL E. BROWN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

\* First peal of Spliced, and most methods to a peal. † 25th peal.

COLCHESTER, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., April 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 19 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, SHRUB END.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven 720's, as follows: (1) London Surprise, (2) Norwich Surprise, (3) Ipswich Surprise, (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) Kent and Oxford T.B., (6) St. Clement's and Double Oxford Bob, (7) Plain Bob.

ALICE E. J. LESTER .. Treble	JAMES L. TOWLER .. .. 4
MICHAEL J. COWLING .. 2	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 5
PETER G. BROWN .. .. 3	PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

Rung as a compliment to Philip J. Rothera on his 21st birthday; also a birthday compliment to Keith Brown.

HIGHAM-ON-THE-HILL, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., April 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

In eight methods, viz.: (1) Durham, (2) York, (3) Wells, (4) London. (5) Bourne, (6) Cambridge, (7) Beverley and Surfleet.

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in G.

JOHN VERNON .. Treble	JOHN WATKINS .. .. 4
MRS. JILL BELCHER .. .. 2	BRIAN L. BURROWS .. .. 5
*K. PAUL GILLIVER .. .. 3	MICHAEL E. BROWN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

\* First peal in eight methods.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., April 17, 1964, in 1 Hour and 42 Minutes.

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY CAMPANILE.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 42 extents rung in 32 methods: (1) St. Simon, (2) St. Albans. (3) Eynsham, (4) Cassington, (5) Elford, (6) St. Martin, (7) St. Paul. (8) St. Leonard, (9) Sharehill, (10) St. Peter, (11) Plain Bob, (12) April Day, (13) Seighford, (14) Old Bob, (15) Kennington, (16) St. Nicholas, (17) St. Giles, (18) St. Andrew, (19) Austrey, (20) St. Thomas. (21) Winchendon, (22) St. Miles, (23) St. John, (24) Ryton, (25) St. Luke, (26) Rev. Canterbury Pl., (27) Southrepps Pl., (28) Clifford's Pl., (29) Little Aston, (30) St. Columba, (31 to 38) Grandsire, (39) Newborough, (40 to 42) Plain Bob.

RUPERT A. CLARKE .. Treble	N. RODERICK ELLWAY .. 3
STUART H. J. EDWARDS .. 2	DAVID F. MOORE .. .. 4

MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MAURICE R. A. KIRK.

A 20th birthday compliment to Michael W. Brown.

WALLINGTON, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., April 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent each of Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

C. MICHAEL ORME .. Treble	TERRY R. HATCHETT .. .. 4
*MARGARET M. RODEN .. 2	EDWIN G. BUCK .. .. 5
CHRISTINE M. RIMMER .. 3	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWIN G. BUCK.

\* First peal in seven methods.

Rung as a farewell to the Vicar, the Rev. M. E. C. Pumphrey.



**BRAMHAM, YORKSHIRE.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being an extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

DAVID SHEPPARD .. .. Treble	JOHN F. UNDERWOOD .. .. 4
JOHN POITS .. .. 2	ALAN SHEPPARD .. .. 5
*MELVYN A. ROSE .. .. 3	J. MARTIN THORLEY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN SHEPPARD.

\* 25th peal.

**HARTEST, SUFFOLK.**  
**THE SUFFOLK GUILD.**

*On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven 720's, as follows: (1) Double Court Bob, (2) Norwich Surprise, (3) Ipswich Surprise, (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) St. Clement's and Double Oxford, (6) Kent and Oxford T.B., (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

*ARTHUR F. BALLAM .. .. Treble	†NEVILLE F. WHITTELL .. .. 4
ROBERT E. LESTER .. .. 2	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 5
*RICHARD ROSE .. .. 3	*MAURICE J. ROSE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

\* Most methods to a peal. † 50th peal.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Arthur W. Rolfe.

**HOLT, WILTSHIRE.**  
**THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. KATHARINE,

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

Tenor 9 cwt. in G.

DAVID NIBBS .. .. Treble	DAVID STILLMAN .. .. 4
JONATHAN NIBBS .. .. 2	RICHARD HUMPHRIES .. .. 5
*SARAH BOSWELL .. .. 3	JOHN STILLMAN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID STILLMAN.

\* First peal.

**HUTTON, ESSEX.**  
**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In seven methods, being three extents each of Rev. St. Bartholomew, St. Martin's and St. Simon's, five each of April Day and Grandsire, 13 of All Saints and ten of Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt.

P. FRIEND .. .. Treble	J. J. WALLETT .. .. 3
C. E. HILL .. .. 2	W. T. HILL .. .. 4
R. G. JONES .. ..	Tenor

Conducted by J. J. WALLETT.

A 21st birthday compliment to the treble ringer.

**KELVEDON, ESSEX.**  
**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In five methods, being one extent each of College Exercise, Plain Bob, Cambridge Surprise and two each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 21 cwt. in E.

*JOSEPH PAPWORTH .. .. Treble	ANDREW BECKWITH .. .. 4
*WINIFRED ELLIOTT .. .. 2	CHARLES BURTON .. .. 5
*EDWARD COULSON .. .. 3	*ALAN R. ELLIOTT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN R. ELLIOTT.

\* First peal in four methods. First on the bells since rehanging.

A 72nd birthday compliment to Joseph Elliott, tower captain.

**KNUTSFORD, CHESHIRE.**  
**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR**

In 14 methods: (1) Kent Treble Bob, (2) London Surprise, (3) Norwich Surprise, (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) Morning Star Treble Bob, (6) Ockley, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise and Norbury Treble Bob, (7) Oxford, Capel, Sandal, London Scholars' Pleasure and Kingston Treble Bob. Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN A. BOOTH .. .. Treble	DENIS MOTTERTHEAD .. .. 4
SIDNEY HOUGH, JUN. .. .. 2	C. KENNETH LEWIS .. .. 5
NEIL D. LOMAS .. .. 3	JOHN ROBINSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

In memoriam Sidney Hough, for over 60 years ringer at this church and life member of the Chester Guild.

**ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

**A PEAL OF 5040 ST. ALBANS DELIGHT MINOR**

Being one 2,160 and four 720's. Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb.

ALLISON MACFARLANE .. Treble	ROGER D. R. BROWN .. .. 4
SHEILA BROWN .. .. 2	ERIC EDMONDSON .. .. 5
JULIA A. FELLOWS .. .. 3	GERALD PENNEY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

First peal in the method by all the band.

**STANTON-ON-HINE HEATH, SHROPSHIRE.**

**THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being two extents each of Kent T.B. and Oxford T.B., and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 27 lb. in A.

EDWARD V. RODENHURST .. Treble	IAN FRIEND .. .. 4
PETER MORRIS .. .. 2	RICHARD E. MORRIS .. .. 5
FREDERICK LEACH .. .. 3	BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

First peal on the bells since retuning and rehanging by Messrs. John Taylor and Co. in 1963.

Rung on the 50th anniversary of the first peal on the bells, and with the same treble ringer.

**UFFINGTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.**

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent each of Single Oxford, Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, Oxford T.B., St. Clement's, Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.

JOHN H. BLUFF .. .. Treble	CHARLES E. BLACK .. .. 4
*ALAN G. PAYNE .. .. 2	DEREK J. JONES .. .. 5
KEITH R. DAVEY .. .. 3	*ROGER D. BAILEY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN G. PAYNE.

\* 50th peal together.

Tenor 13 cwt.

**SEAVINGTON ST. MARY, SOMERSET.**  
**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thurs., April 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

Being six 240's and 30 six-scores (ten callings). Tenor 7 cwt.

*JENNIFER P. LUNN (16) .. Treble	THOMAS J. HILL .. .. 4
REGINALD BEALE .. .. 2	*DAVID J. BEALE .. .. 5
*TERENCE SPEARING (14) .. 3	*BRIAN K. LUNN (14) .. Tenor

Conducted by REGINALD BEALE.

\* First peal. For St. George's Day.

**HANDBELL PEALS**

**OXFORD.**

**THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.**

*On Thurs., March 5, 1964, in 1 Hour and 53 Minutes.*

AT ORIEL COLLEGE.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents. Tenor size 15 in C.

NICHOLAS J. MARTIN .. .. 1—2	CHRISTINE C. MACNAIR .. .. 3—4
F. JOHN NELSON .. ..	5—6

Umpire: JOHN E. CAMP. Conducted by F. JOHN NELSON.

**LEICESTER.**

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Tues., April 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 2 Minutes.*

AT THE WAYSIDE, 150, NARBOROUGH ROAD SOUTH.

**A PEAL OF 5120 QUORNDEN SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor size 15 in C.

JOHN A. ACRES .. .. 1—2	JOHN M. JELLEY .. .. 5—6
PETER J. STANFORTH .. .. 3—4	ALFRED BALLARD .. .. 7—8

Composed by JOHN M. JELLEY. Conducted by PETER J. STANFORTH.

First peal to be rung in the method on handbells.

**BISHOPSTOKE, HAMPSHIRE.**

**THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Thurs., April 9, 1964, in 2 Hours.*

AT 20, EDWARD AVENUE.

**A PEAL OF 5088 DOUBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 14 in D.

GEOFFREY R. CRISP .. .. 1—2	DAVID J. FORDER .. .. 5—6
MARGARET CHAPMAN .. .. 3—4	TOM CHAPMAN .. .. 7—8

Composed and Conducted by TOM CHAPMAN.

First peal in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Guild.

**SWANSEA, GLAMORGAN.**

**THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sun., April 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes.*

AT MOR-AWELON, LON DERW. TYCOCH.

**A PEAL OF 5016 SPLICED MAJOR**

Being 792 Gainsborough Little Bob and 4,224 Plain Bob: 132 changes of method. Tenor size 18 in G.

HAZEL WAY .. .. 1—2	J. ARTHUR HOARE .. .. 5—6
BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. .. 3—4	EDMUND J. MORRIS .. .. 7—8

Arranged and Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

First peal of Spliced Major on handbells by all the band. First of Spliced for the Guild.

A wedding compliment to Patricia M. Whitworth and Royston H. Palmer, married at Sketty on March 28th.

**BRIGHTWELL-CUM-SOTWELL, BERKSHIRE.**

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 14 Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AGATHA,

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor size 9 in E.

*ROGER M. HEYWORTH .. .. 1—2	P. GERALD McILHONE .. .. 3—4
*ANGELA M. AYRES .. ..	5—6

Conducted by P. GERALD McILHONE.

\* First peal on handbells.



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BIRMINGHAM.—Saltley Carillon, Parkfield Road. Ringers and friends are welcome to listen to an amateur recital by Clive M. Smith, on the 23 G. & J. bells (bass 17 cwt.), on Sunday, May 10th. Tower open approx. 6.40-7.30 p.m. Any inquiries telephone Lichfield 2124. 4617

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ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL. — Practices, Saturday, May 9th, and Saturday, June 20th, both from 7.30 to 9 p.m. Please come—all welcome. 4644

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### MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Dunster Branch.—Branch practices at Wiveliscombe, May 9th; Minehead, May 30th. 7 p.m. Quarterly meeting, Wootton Courtenay, June 13th.—A. R. Tudball 4639

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Chesterfield District.—Horsley Cup ringing contest, Clay Cross, May 9th at 3 p.m. Non-competitors send names for tea to Mrs. J. Price, 1, Bertrand Close, Clay Cross. 4499

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DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Half-yearly meeting at West Hartlepool, on Sat., May 9th, St. Oswald's 2-4. All Saints' 3-5 and 7-9. St. Aidan's 7.30-9. Committee 4.15. Tea 5. Service 6.15. Names for tea to Mr. W. Maughan, 57, Belmont Gardens, West Hartlepool. 4585

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Meeting at Stanford-le-Hope, on May 9th. The district heat of the ringing competition will start at 2.30. Bells (8) available after competition until service at 4.30 and from 6 to 9 p.m. Names for tea to Miss J. Ody, Woodstock, First Avenue, Stanford-le-Hope. 4555

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.E. District.—A district meeting will be held at Mistley, on Saturday, May 9th. Striking competition 2.30. Service 4.45. Tea 5.15. General ringing afterwards, Names to Mr. A. E. Honeywood, 27, Harwich Road, Mistley. 4573

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Wotton Branch.—Meeting at Dursley (8) on Saturday, May 9th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to P. Mills, Church Street, Wotton. 4618

HEREFORD GUILD.—Bromyard District.—Quarterly meeting, Whitbourne, May 9th at 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Reservations to R. L. Price, 18, New Road, Bromyard. 4616

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—Meeting Hoddesdon, Sat., May 9th. Bells (8) from 3. Service 4.30. Business meeting 5. Special business: election of Bell Fund trustees. Further ringing to 8. Own tea arrangements, cafes nearby.—R. Durrant, Dist. Sec. 4577

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Sarratt (5) May 9th. Bells 3. Service 4.15. Names for tea to Miss M. Petts, Pinnaroo, Dimmocks Lane, Sarratt, nr. Rickmansworth. 4605

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Maidstone District) and LADIES' GUILD (Kent Branch).—Combined meeting at East Farleigh on Saturday, May 9th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and Ladies' Guild annual meeting. Names for tea to S. G. Hayelden, 1, Station Hill, East Farleigh.—T. A. Cross. 4550

LLANFAEL AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.—Monmouth Branch.—Meeting, May 9th at Llangatack-Vibon-Avel. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea, please, to J. S. King, The Cedar Tiles, High Beech Lane, Chepstow. 4592

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Meeting, Saturday, May 9th, St. Mary's, Walthamstow (Church Hill, St. Mary's Road). 3-4.30 p.m. Tea. St. Saviour's, Walthamstow (Markhouse Road), after tea till 8.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. St. John Boyack, 29, Palmerston Road, Westcliff-on-Sea.—V. E. Dupré, Hon. Sec. 4589

MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.—The annual general meeting will be held on Saturday, May 9th, at St. Modwen's Church, Burton-on-Trent. Business meeting in adjoining school 3 p.m. Followed by tea. Bells (8) available after tea. All welcome.—J. Cotton. 4558

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Annual general meeting, Norwich, Saturday, May 9th. Service at St. Peter Mancroft Church, 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., Chantry Hall. Meeting to follow. Bells available: St. Peter Mancroft (12) 3 to 4.10 p.m. and after meeting, St. Giles' (8) 2 to 4, St. Miles' (8) 2 to 3.45 and 7 to 8.30, St. George's, Colegate (6), 2 to 3.45 and 7 to 8.30 p.m. Also St. John de Sepulchre by request with Ringing Master. Names for tea to Mrs. F. N. Golden, 26, Brabazon Road Norwich, Nor. 57 N.—H. W. Barrett, Gen. Sec. 4535

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—South Oxon Branch.—Annual meeting, Warborough, Saturday, May 9th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to F. Absalom, Beverley, Warborough, Oxford. 4606

SUFFOLK GUILD.—North West District.—Practice meeting at Exning (5), Saturday, May 9th. Bells 6.30 to 9 p.m.—A. F. Ballam. 4575

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Annual general meeting, Saturday, May 9th, East Grinstead. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. For ringing arrangements see last week's 'R.W.'—R. W. R. Percy, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4529

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.—A.G.M., Saturday, May 9th, St. Giles', Camberwell (10), 1.30-2.30 p.m. Further towers will be announced at Camberwell.—A. J. F. 4642

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—In addition to the towers already published as available on May 9th for the annual meeting, ringing has been arranged at Barnby Don (6), 10.30 a.m.-12 noon. 4622

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—Practice meeting, Bathampton (6), Monday, May 11th, 7.30-9 p.m.—M. de Jong. 4619

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Combined Practice at Chertsey on Wednesday, May 13th. Bells (8) available from 7 p.m. All welcome.—R. Caporn, Dist. Sec. 4637

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Monthly meeting, Hedon (8), Saturday, May 16th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday to Mr. C. Hunter, 59, Westlands Drive, Hedon, Hull. 4620

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wirral Branch.—Bromborough, May 16th. Bells (8) 3.30 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea free for those notifying by Thursday previous.—Alexander J. Martin, 28, Glenmore Road, Oxtown, Birkenhead. 4650

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cambridge District.—Meeting at West Wrating (5) on Saturday, May 16th. Please note change of date. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—B. D. Threlfall, Dis. Sec. 4625

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Forest Branch.—Meeting at Westbury-on-Severn, May 16th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to A. Gibson, 18 The Village, Westbury. 4628

HAWKHURST GUILD.—Meeting, Sedlescombe, Saturday, May 16th. Bells 3 p.m. Please make own tea arrangements.—E. A. Fellows. 4640

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—May 16th, Essendon. Bells (6) 3 p.m. No service. Own tea arrangements. S.M.: St. Nicholas.—M. A. Coburn, Dis. Sec. 4629

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.—The next Branch meeting will be held at Helmshore on Saturday, May 16th. Tower open 3 p.m. Cups of tea at 5 p.m. No business.—R. Holt, Branch Sec. 4631

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Practice on May 16th, Ringing at Harlington from 3 p.m. Tea at 5. Ringing at Harmondsworth from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. L. Grice, 15, Burnham Gardens, Harlington.—F. T. B. 4635

NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.—Meeting at Draycott on Saturday, May 16th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. (Note earlier time.) Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to F. Shelley, Cresswell Terrace, Cresswell, Blythe Bridge, S.o.T., by Wednesday, May 13th, latest. No name, no tea.—G. C. Beech. 4645

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Southern Branch.—Evening practice meeting at Winfarthing on Saturday, May 16th. Bells (6) 6.30 to 9 p.m.—C. F. W. Philippo, Hon. Sec. 4643

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Marlborough Branch.—Meeting Ramsbury, Sat., May 16th. Names for tea to T. A. Palmer, 16 Oxford Street, Aldbourne, Marlborough, Wilts. 4633

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Notts District.—Meeting at Harworth (6), Sat., May 16th. Sorry no tea arrangements.—H. Denman. 4647



**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.** — Southern Division.—Practice meeting, Buxted (8), Saturday, May 16th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names for tea, by previous Wednesday please, to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierpoint. 4632

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.** — Southern District. — Annual meeting, Penistone, May 16th. Bells (8) from 3. Also available Cawthorne (6) 2.30-4. Hoylandswaine (6) 7-9. Tea will be provided **only** to those who notify Mr. A. Champion, 32, Church View Road, Penistone, by May 14th. New reports will be available. All welcome.—J. J. L. Gilbert, 10, Pye Bank Close, Sheffield. 3. 4630

**ELY ASSOCIATION.**—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting, Walpole, St. Andrew, Whit Monday (May 18th). Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 4648

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—The 85th A.G.M. will be held on Whit Monday, May 18th, at Chelmsford. Service, conducted by the Provost, at 11 a.m. Address by the Right Rev. T. Steward Smith, Assistant Bishop. Annual meeting immediately after service in Chapter House. Coffee, etc., available in Cathedral Hall from 10.15-10.45 a.m. Lunch 1.30 p.m., cost 5s. 6d. Tea, as a running buffet, from 5-6.15 p.m., cost 2s. 6d. Ringing: Cathedral (12), 9.30-10.45 a.m. and from 4-8 p.m. From 3-6 p.m.: Great Waltham, Boreham, Broomfield, Little Waltham. Little Baddow: from 6-9 p.m.: Great Baddow, Writtle, Galleywood, Springfield. Lunch and tea cannot be guaranteed without tickets, obtainable from Gen. Sec., s.a.e. with remittance, please.—F. V. Gant, 3, Central Drive, Hornchurch. 4595

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Annual festival, Clifford, Whit Monday, May 18th. Bells (8) from 10.30 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. and 5.30 to 9 p.m. Service 3.30. Tea 4.15 p.m., followed by A.G.M. Other towers, from 10.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. and 5.30 to 8.30 p.m.: Almeley, Bredwardine, Clyro, Eardisley, Glasbury-on-Wye, Peterchurch, Staunton-on-Wye, Talgarth, Whitney-on-Wye and Weobley. Names for tea by May 12th, please, to G. T. Cousins, The Flat, Police Station, Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire. 4587

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.** — Manchester Branch.—Competition at Pendlebury, May 23rd. Bells (8) 2 and after tea, also Swinton (8) 2-5.30. Competition 3.30. Tea 5.30. Names to Mr. A. Lomas, 47, Normanby Street, Swinton, not later than previous Wednesday. Everyone welcome.—Neil Bennett, Secretary. 4641

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.** — Northern Branch.—Interim meeting at Wiveton (6), Saturday, May 23rd. Bells from 2.30. Service 4.15. Names for tea to Mr. W. R. West, Southfield, Norwich Road, Holt, Norfolk, as early as possible.—C. Bird, Hon. Sec. 4638

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chipping Norton Branch. — Annual meeting Burford, Saturday, May 23rd. Bells 3. Service 4. Tea 5. Numbers for teas by previous Tuesday, Ringing Shipton under Wychwood 7. 4624

**SUFFOLK GUILD.** — N.E. District. — Quarterly meeting, Saturday, May 23rd, at Dennington (6) 2.30. Laxfield (6) 6-9. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names for tea by Wednesday, May 20th, to Miss M. Branch, Fern Bank, Bungay Road, Halesworth. 4649

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—S.W. District.—Meeting Clare, May 23rd. Bells (8) 3. Service 4.30. Names to Mr. S. J. Twitchett, 7, Station Road, Clare, Sudbury, Suffolk. 4590

**SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division. —Quarterly meeting at All Saints', Hastings (please note), on May 23rd. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Further ringing till 8. Names for tea, please, to I. Smith (Sec.), 37, Wellington Gardens, Battle. 4634

**NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting at Barmouth, Saturday, May 30th. Bells available 2. Service 3.30, followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea by May 23rd, please, to W. Cathrall, 19, Cunliffe Walk, Garden Village, Wrexham. 4615

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### QUARTER PEALS

**HOLBEACH, Lincs.**—On April 26th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: J. Vellam (first quarter) 1, G. Johnson 2, Julie A. Vellam 3, M. J. Rains 4, P. Sanders 5, R. B. Sanders 6, K. R. Davey 7, R. D. Bailey (arr. and cond.) 8. For morning service.

**OXFORD.**—At the Church of St. Ebbe, on April 19th, 1,472 Plain Bob Major: C. Coles 1, P. A. Sharp 2, S. D. Edwards 3, A. Gammon 4, A. R. Pink 5, A. J. Adams 6, D. Roaf 7, P. J. Heritage (first of Major as cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**WEST RETFORD, Notts.**—On March 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: H. Smart 1, Margaret Womack 2, P. Vincent 3, J. A. Coates 4, J. M. Gow (cond.) 5, D. A. Whetton 6.

**WYMESWOLD, Leics.**—On March 19th, 1,440 Treble Bob Minor (five methods Oxford Group): Sue Meredith and T. Dutter 1, Christine Froggatt 2, B. Buswell 3, Doreen Bradley 4, F. Bradley (cond.) 5, B. Mills 6.

## WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

### Portsmouth Guild

Canon Gilbert Thurlow, president of the Central Council, received a warm welcome when he attended the Portsmouth District meeting at St. Peter's, Titchfield, on April 25th and was invited to take the chair at the business meeting.

New members elected were:—Ringing: J. Stanning (Swanmore), D. Pountney, R. Smith, the Misses L. Wyatt, S. Sales and E. Ahearn (all Titchfield), S. Raperport and D. Evershed (Alverstoke). Associate: the Rev. N. A. L. Miller, Vicar of Titchfield, Compounding: F. J. Nelson (Manchester), D. T. Darby (Leicester) and A. N. Stubbs (Birmingham).

Votes of thanks were accorded the Rev. G. Hewitson, Vicar of Salisbury, for conducting the service, and the ladies of the parish for the fine tea served at the Vicarage.

Next meeting: July 25th.

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## SURREY ASSOCIATION

### STRIKING CONTEST

Banstead was the venue of this year's striking competition organised by the Northern District. There were five entries, all of them Sunday service bands, and the competition was judged by Mr. C. H. Kippin. The test was a touch of 224 Grandsire Triples.

After tea, which had been prepared by local ladies, the judge gave his report and the results. Beddington had the honour of gaining the least number of faults, followed by St. John's, Croydon, Wimbledon, Epsom Common and Redhill.

A short business meeting and the usual votes of thanks preceded general ringing.

Next quarterly District meeting: West Hill, Wandsworth, and Wimbledon on July 11th.

## HALIFAX ASSOCIATION

When the Association met at Silkstone on April 18th the Meltham band gave a demonstration of contest striking on this delightful six. Tea was at Cawthorne Church Hall, provided at a ridiculously low price by the ladies of Cawthorne ringers.

Before the business meeting the Vicar (the Rev. R. T. Ellam) gave a warm welcome to the 'ancient and picturesque village of Cawthorne'. Three new members were elected—Miss Susan Greenwood, Mr. M. Farrall (Meltham) and Mr. Hedley Burton (Slaughtam). Miss Christine Savile, who is moving to Kent, was made a life honorary member. Ringing continued in a great variety of methods—regular and irregular.

Next meeting and prize contest: July 18th.

## MASONIC PEAL THAT MAKES HISTORY

History was made on April 25th at Tarleton Church, near Preston, Lancs, when a peal of Stedman Triples was rung by Past Masters. This was the first ever by Past Masters. Thanks are due to the Rector of Tarleton (the Rev. W. Riley) for his kindness, and it was fitting that the peal should be rung in honour of the newly-consecrated Tarleton Lodge. It is hoped to ring a peal of Stedman Caters in the near future. It is interesting to record that five of the Past Masters who took part in the peal are P.Z.s of the Royal Arch.

## Cambridge University Guild

At the annual general meeting, held on April 29th, the following were elected officers for the year 1964-5: President, W. J. Ridgman; senior treasurer, B. D. Threlfall; auditor, H. E. Bishop; Master, S. C. Walters (Pembroke); secretary, K. J. Darvill (St. Catherine's); librarian, K. J. Trippon (Selwyn); steeple-keeper, J. A. Harrison (Sidney Sussex).



**QUARTER PEALS**

**AYLSHAM, NORFOLK.**—On April 26th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: J. R. Smith 1, W. Dumolo 2, D. Grey 3, D. Phillips 4, R. Cullington 5, D. Pardon (first as cond.) 6.

**BALDOCK, HERTS.**—On April 26th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: S. Hutton 1, E. Buck 2, D. Sutcliffe 3, L. Scoot 4, R. Trebilcock 5, P. Flack 6, J. Dear 7, C. Harwood (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**CATHERINGTON, HANTS.**—On April 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: F. W. Mitchell 1, Jennifer M. Tyack 2, N. R. Webber 3, J. G. Hallett 4, E. Treagus (cond.) 5, H. R. Morgan Marshall 6. A birthday compliment to Jennifer Tyack.

**ELTHAM, KENT.**—On April 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss M. Lawrence 1, K. Small 2, F. Hurrell 3, P. Clarke 4, G. Clarke 5, R. Clarke (first in method as cond.) 6, T. Culver 7, J. Sims 8. For Matins.

**GLASBURY-ON-WYE, BRECS.**—On April 24th, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): R. A. Hatcher 1, E. J. Smith 2, J. A. Ellis 3, M. T. Johns 4, C. A. Lewis (cond.) 5, C. F. N. Wedgwood 6.

**ILMINGTON, WARWICKS.**—On April 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. W. Randall (first as cond.) 1, R. D. Gibson 2, F. M. Robottom 3, K. F. Gardner 4, W. H. Male 5, P. S. Bennett 6. A compliment to Ian Maycock and Ann Hobbins, on their engagement.

**LYDD, KENT.**—On April 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Lydia Terry 1, H. S. Humphery 2, Maisie Vantom 3, S. J. Bowden 4, R. Swift 5, A. S. Phillips 6. An 83rd birthday compliment to Mr. H. S. Humphery.

**SHARNBROOK, BEDS.**—On April 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: K. Forder 1, Miss B. Parsons 2, Miss M. Lovell 3, J. Gudgeons 4, F. Tysoe 5, B. Makeham (cond.) 6. For the birth of a daughter to Mrs. D. Wilson.

**SLOUGH, BUCKS.**—On April 23rd, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: J. F. Bowler 1, Marilyn Barton 2, M. G. Swift 3, B. T. Lister 4, E. E. R. Gosling 5, G. R. Shedden 6, W. Birmingham (cond.) 7, F. R. Scott 8. For St. George's Day.

**WOLLATON, NOTTS.**—On April 12th, 1,296 Surprise Minor (Norwich and Cambridge): Susanna Poppleston 1, J. C. Shonfield 2, R. A. G. Benfield 3, P. R. Humphrey (cond.) 4, P. J. Hawcock 5, C. R. Daft 6. For Evensong.

**WORPLESDON, SURREY.**—On April 19th, 1,260 Doubles: C. Slyfield 1, F. Cherryman 2, R. Tickner 3, W. Savill 4, J. Collier (first as cond.) 5, R. Jordan 6. A tower compliment to captain, Mr. S. Petter, on his 87th birthday.

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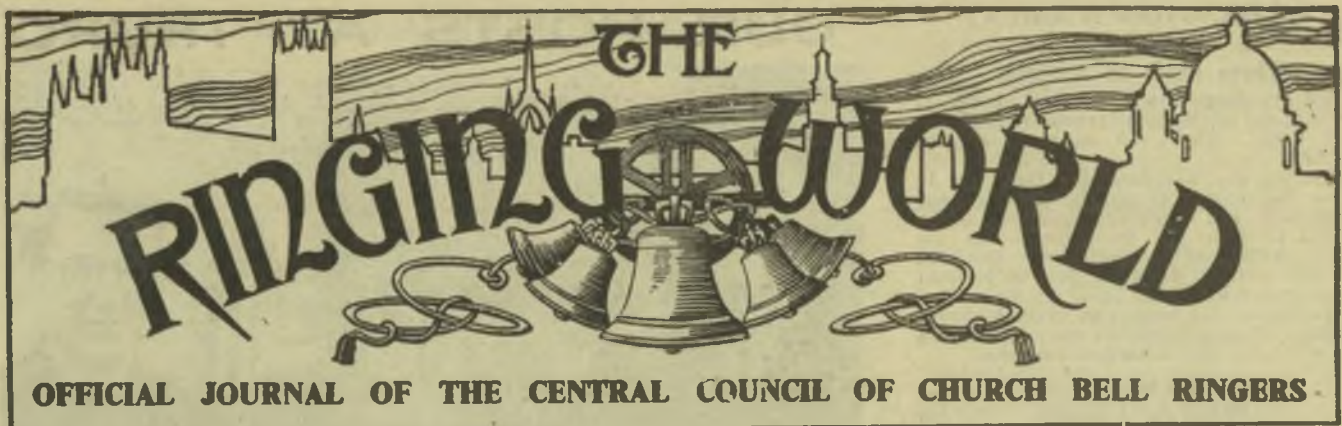
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## WELCOME TO TRURO

**T**HE modern age has brought many advantages to our people, and one which is enjoyed is the ambition to travel to other parts of the country, to see and explore the beauties of our land, to make friendships and, for ringers, to hear and ring church bells.

The Central Council of Church Bell Ringers has become accustomed to this ever-changing scene for its annual conference, and if it were not for the trend of the age we would not have been given the opportunity to welcome the Council to Truro.

The Truro Diocesan Guild of Ringers was formed in 1897 and soon became affiliated to the Central Council. The first member of our Guild to attend a Council meeting was Mr. W. H. Southeard, who joined the first resident company of ringers in Truro Cathedral, and is still an active ringer and a vice-president of our Guild.

For many years the Truro Guild has cherished the idea that one day the Central Council would honour it with its presence at a Council meeting to be held in the City of Truro, and it is to the City of Truro and the diocese that we welcome you this Whitsuntide.

Truro is a pleasant little city almost in the centre of Cornwall, set amid green, sloping hills, steeply running down to a valley, clustered with buildings, streets and shops, with a steady flow of cars and vehicles passing through from one side of the town to the other. Away to the south can be seen the River Fal, winding its way along from the city centre downstream through thickly-wooded slopes towards the port of Falmouth. The call of the seagull can be heard and the small pleasure steamer taking its daily crowd of sightseers on the river is a familiar sight. In the centre of the city, as if reaching up to heaven, rise the tall spires of the Cathedral. Built of granite and Portland stone, the Cathedral stands, casting long shadows across the dwarfed streets and shops, which appear to crowd beneath its shelter. From the north west spire can be heard the tones of a ring of ten bells that reflects great credit upon the founders who cast it in 1910. On a Sunday the sound of the Cathedral bells mingles with a melodious ring of eight at Kenwyn, and in the distance may be heard the bells of St. Kea.

It is from this city that the Diocesan Guild has spread out to meet the needs of the diocese. Today the Guild covers the greater part of Cornwall, under the patronage

of the Lord Bishop and the leadership of a president, Ringing Master and the general secretary.

The president, Mr. A. Carveth, is fortunate to have a wife who rings. His pleasant, enthusiastic personality has won the hearts of the Cornish ringers. He is Master of the Cathedral company of ringers and has been president of the Guild for ten years. In his home tower of Kenwyn he has built up a good band of change-ringers and himself has a good list of peals to his credit. He has guided the Guild through many difficulties with dignity, and he provides a vital link between the youth and the older members of our Guild.

The Diocesan Ringing Master, Mr. D. Burnett, began his ringing career in the small 6-bell spire of St. Ewe. His early years were spent ringing call-changes, and he later progressed to change-ringing. He has been a regular of the Cathedral band since 1949. For the past ten years he has been Master of the Guild and a representative on the Central Council, and for eight years a branch secretary.

The general secretary is the youthful-looking Vicar of Kenwyn, Rev. A. J. Vincent. He learnt to ring at Camborne Parish Church and after ordination was privileged to return to Camborne as the assistant curate, and later became Vicar of Kenwyn, a large parish in the City of Truro. He is a popular figure at Guild meetings and has a vital part to play in the important leadership of the Guild.

The Truro Guild is divided into six branches, each with a secretary, and has a total membership of approximately 900 ringers, some of whom are round ringers, some call-change ringers, and a proportion are method ringers. The greatest task of the Guild is to unite all the ringers in the diocese into one fellowship to proclaim the one true, living God.

So to the city and diocese of Truro we welcome you. To our picturesque towns; to our fishing villages; to our seaside resorts, especially Carbis Bay; to the land of the white pyramids of the clay industry; and to our villages, some of which are untouched since the time of the Reformation—we welcome you to ring in our towers, to enjoy our fellowship, to enjoy the sea air and green countryside.

We have looked forward to your visit; we hope that you will take away pleasant memories of Truro and also have the ambition to come again. On behalf of the Truro Guild, welcome.

DOUGLAS BURNETT.



## WASHINGTON A GREAT TRIUMPH

### Three Peals in America

THE Washington party arrived home at 7 a.m. on Monday extremely tired but very happy. Their visit had been a great triumph.

The big day was Ascension Day. At 12 noon the tower, Gloria in Excelsis, was consecrated, and in the afternoon there was a second ceremony for the dedication of the bells. Afterwards the bells were heard in all their glory as a quarter peal of Stedman Caters was rung.

Washington has been won over to change ringing. There were tears in many eyes among the crowd, as they listened to the bells.

### AMAZING ENTHUSIASM IN PRESS AND RADIO

The excellent publicity drew a large crowd to sit in the grounds to listen to the peal of Stedman Caters on Saturday. The peal was successfully brought round in 3 hours and 24 minutes, and as the bells went into rounds the crowd clapped their hands and cheered. The enthusiasm was amazing.

It was good ringing throughout, although the temperature reached 90 degrees. A recording of the ringing was taken and this will be played at Truro by Mr. Douglas Hughes to enable members of the Central Council to form their own opinion.

Sunday was spent at Groton School, and on the ten bells at the school a peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal was rung. This was also a good peal.

When the band were in Washington on the first Sunday the bells were rung for a short period. The bells were silenced for the intensive training periods. There was amazing keenness among the young people. The principal lecturers were Mr. Norman Chaddock and Mr. Wilfrid F. Moreton, but all the band worked hard during the training periods. It was a week of late nights. The hospitality extended to the visitors was most generous.

While in America handbell ringing is almost entirely confined to tune ringing, the English visit has created an interest in change ringing in hand. So much so that the set Mr. Douglas Hughes had with him was left with the girls of Washington High School.

### PRESENTATIONS

Messrs. Charles and Douglas Hughes were presented to Mr. Robert F. Kennedy, Chief Justice Earl Warren and the British Ambassador. As a souvenir of the visit Messrs. Mears and Stainbank presented three miniature silver bells to Dean the Very Rev. Francis B. Sayre. Mr. Robert F. Kennedy and the Chief Justice. On one side was panelled the arms of the Cathedral and on the other the arms of the Whitechapel Foundry.

The Dean presented to each member of the visiting band a beautifully bound, signed copy of the history of the building of Washington Cathedral.

While in America a handbell peal was also rung, bringing to total to three peals and one quarter.

When the aeroplane touched down at 7 a.m. on Monday there was quite a number of ringers and relatives there to greet them. Among them were Mr. J. E. Chilcott's wife and parents Mr. W. H. Coles (who has rung at Groton School), Mrs. Jill Staniforth and daughter and Mr. George Pipe's wife and children.

'The Ringing World' will be publishing a special article on the tour, with pictures, written by Mr. George Pipe. Those who participated regard it as the most outstanding week in the history of change ringing.

## BRISTOL UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

Bristol University Society held its annual meeting on April 28th, when the following elections for the season 1964-65 were made: Master, C. M. Foster; secretary, D. B. Williams, Victoria Rooms, Bristol 8; hon. treasurer, Miss P. Bligh-Cheesman; tower secretary, B. M. Baverstock.

## OUR HOSTS AT TRURO



Mr. Douglas Burnett,  
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the Guild.

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Rev. A. J. Vincent,  
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of the Guild.

## RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD

CREWE was the venue for the eighth annual meeting of the Railwaymen's Guild held on April 25th, with Kettell's Restaurant as headquarters. For those who arrived on Friday evening there was ringing at Christ Church. Every region was represented and the attendance was up to the average. It was nice to see Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Pitman amongst those present.

The business meeting was held in the morning with the Master, Mr. Charles Bassett, in the chair. A silence was observed in memory of Mr. A. Hill, of Workson, and a tribute was paid to him by Mr. S. Foskett. Apologies from 28 members and also best wishes from Mr. Norris (Rochester) and Mr. S. Robinson were received.

A short report from the hon. secretary deplored the lack of publicity of actual ringing within the Guild. Subscriptions and bank balance had increased and Mr. F. Stenson thanked the auditors.

Three nominations were received for the office of Master. A ballot resulted in a tie between Messrs. F. Stenson and A. Bassett and, with the casting vote of the chairman, Mr. Stenson was elected. Mr. J. A. Hoare was re-elected hon. secretary and treasurer. The regional Masters remain in office until the new regional territories are sorted out.

London was selected for the 1965 annual general meeting on May 15th. The September autumn meeting will be at Swansea. Eight new members were elected. Mr. F. Hodgson proposed the vote of thanks.

The company left by a private coach for The Beehive, Macclesfield, for lunch. Guests included Mrs. H. L. Horne, secretary local branch Ladies' Guild; Mr. J. Worth, Christ Church, and Mr. H. Longson, St. Michael's. The Ven. T. Clarke (Archdeacon) accorded the company a great welcome to Macclesfield. Mr. F. Stenson replied.

The coach took the Guild around Macclesfield with ringing on the light eight at St. Peter's, Cinques and Treble Bob at St. Michael's, and finally the five at Christ Church. Tea at The Beehive was very welcome. After evening ringing at Christ Church, Crewe, a very successful meeting, voted by some as one of the best, concluded.

J. A. H.

## BELLS OF ST. MARY'S JUBILEE

SUNDAY, April 26th, was truly a memorable day in the life of St. Mary's, Southampton, when special services marked the jubilee of the bells. The Rector, the Rev. Roy Chamberlain, who conducted the services, took as the theme bells and the ringing of bells. Two of the foremost clerical ringers preached—Canon K. W. H. Felstead, Master of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild, at Matins, and Canon Gilbert Thurlow, president of the Central Council, at Evensong.

There were some noteworthy dedications during the day. The first was a plaque recording a name which will always be remembered in connection with Southampton ringing. It reads:

'This tablet records the service of John Walter Faithfull, chorister, bellringer, church councillor, for over 30 years captain of the belfry. Erected by his fellow ringers.'

Other dedications were a pew given by the ringers and friends, and also a tapestry depicting the bells of St. Mary's given by the Mayor of Southampton, Ald. Ronald Pugh, and the Mayoress, Cdr. Mrs. Elinor Pugh.

Before and after each service the bells were rung, the standard of ringing being very good. It ranged from rounds to Cambridge and Yorkshire Royal. This was possible not only by the loyal support of ringers from the Southampton District but also those from Bournemouth, Christchurch, Fordingbridge, Farnborough, Bristol, Eastbourne, Winchester, Lichfield and London.

Mr. T. R. Faithfull, on behalf of the Rector and ringers of St. Mary's, thanked Canons Felstead and Thurlow and all ringing friends for their wonderful support which resulted in a really memorable day in the history of St. Mary's Church.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN

Holding their first meeting at Corton Denham for 15 years on April 25th, the Cary Branch had the pleasure of electing eight new members from Cucklington and their Rector, Rev. R. G. Harewood, as an associate member. South Dorset was chosen as the venue for the Branch's outing in September.

The Rev. S. Risdon-Brown was thanked for conducting the service, also Mr. F. P. Hill, the organist, and Mrs. Longney, who provided tea. Evening ringing was at South Cadbury.



## WITH ANGELA IN CORNWALL



The party at Coverack, near the Lizard. Kneeling, Wendy Bird; standing (left to right), Paul Treble, Angela Wright, Mike Bird, Frances Gilbert, Douglas Snowswell, Catherine Powell, Tony Bennett, John Long, John Norris, Norman Wright, Stella Rice, Bernard North and Ivor Pett.

AT mid-day on Saturday, April 4th, three carloads of ringers from Brighton and Cheltenham descended on Mr. Frank Mack's garage in Exmouth. The Grainger tour of 1964 had started. Difficulty was experienced in handling the lightest ring of six in the world but eventually we managed some rough rounds and two scarcely recognised Plain Bob.

Our hotel in Helston was reached in the early evening and here we were joined by the Bedford contingent and Dr. Tony Bennett, who is living in Cornwall. Sunday morning saw the entire party at All Saints', Helston, for early Communion, followed by breakfast and ringing for Matins at St. Keverne. The rest of Sunday was spent enjoying the sunshine at Coverack before attending Evensong at Landedwack.

On Monday morning the residents of Carbis Bay heard some rough ringing on the ten bells but this improved at Towednack and Zennor. Sennen provided the highspot of the day. On arrival we were greeted by the Rector and taken on a tour of the church. He told us of the six-day-old wreck on the rocks at Land's End, which we subsequently saw, and of the quarrel among the local fishermen over the mullet catch. Ringing at Penzance and Madron rounded off the day.

All partook of a trip round St. Michael's Mount the following day. Our boat was driven by a local fisherman, who told stories of smuggling, whales and wrecks associated with the bay, and gave us information about the tides and currents. In taking the boat over the causeway running from the shore to the Mount, we found our experience with boathooks from last year's tour on the Llan-gollen Canal useful. The first tower of the day was Gulval, where the churchyard looked really beautiful in the bright sunshine. Some good ringing ensued during the day including a call change peal at Camborne. Two quarter peals of Grandsire Triples were scored by different hands during the afternoon, one at Tuckingmill, the other at Crowan. In the

evening everybody relaxed at a party given by Dr. Bennett.

After ringing at Helston on Wednesday morning a band of six was despatched to Sennen to ring for a wedding in accordance with a request from the Rector. The rest travelled toward The Lizard, ringing at Cury, Mullion, St. Antony-in-Meneage and Manaccan. They were later joined by the Sennen band. A cordial welcome was received at the practice at Redruth. That night we moved our base to Truro.

We rang in seven towers on Thursday and it was a relief to visit only three on Friday. A visit to Verran produced interest in and speculation about the origin of the unique round houses. Ringing on the sixes at Golen and St. Ewe followed before the party split up to find rest or entertainment.

The final day of touring took us to seven towers to the north east of Truro, Crantock Rural, Newlyn East and St. Erme being towers to remember. The local at Newlyn East called a long peal of call changes which were enjoyed by those ringing but taxed the patience of those waiting to ring.

Sunday morning; and most of us were up for a non-existent 7 o'clock Communion at Truro Cathedral. After this disappointment we returned to the hotel to pack before returning to the Cathedral to ring. During Eucharist at the Cathedral one of the three organists in the party was allowed to play a chord at the start of the anthem. Those who did not stay for the Cathedral service made their way to Kenwyn to ring and attend Matins. After the services, a brief meeting to say farewell before we went our various ways.

Throughout the week a reasonably high standard of striking was maintained and methods included Yorkshire, Cambridge and an ill-fated attempt at Cornwall Surprise.

We would like to thank Angela Grainger, of Brighton, and John Norris, of Hurstpierpoint, for their hard work in organising the tour.

D. P. T.

## CORNISH BELLS

O merry ring the Christmas bells across the Western land,  
From Launceston town to Michael's Mount,  
from Bude to Sennen Sand,  
The joyous echo sweeps along far spaces by the sea.  
And Church bells answer Church bells with their 'Gloria Domine!'  
O Cornish bells, ring far, ring free,  
Ring—'Gloria tibi Domine!'

High o'er the ridge of Bodmin moor grey  
Rowtor keepeth guard.  
His age-worn crown of granite crag by wind and storm is scarred.  
But here as once in Bethlehem the Christmas stars shine bright,  
And moorland men are wending far to Church on Christmas night.  
O Bodmin bells, etc.

O hark the bells of Liskeard how they call the bells of Looe.  
St. Winnow and Lansallos, Lqstwithiel and Duloe,  
Till all the upland pulses with the Glorious Hymn of Joy,  
As Talland calls to Lanreath and Lanteglos answer Fowey.  
O Liskeard bells, etc.

O'er Mordred's town, by Michael's rock, the bells of Roche out-tell  
Their silver call to Wenna's fane beyond the Holy Well:  
O! Columb's hill! O! Deny's heights, the glad-some chorus sing.  
Till all Luxulyan's rock-piled dells with clashing echoes ring.  
O Roche Church bells, etc.

Ring glad some bells, ring pealing bells from Falmouth harbour wide,  
To where St. Mary's Minster stands above the Truro tide.  
Ring Christmas bells of Roseland in our maddest, merriest glee.  
From Probas to Penkevil, from Lamorran to the sea.  
O Kenwyn bells, etc.

As by the mystic star of all the Magian kings were led,  
So homing boats on Christmas Eve by lights of Lizard Head;  
And fisher lads safe home at last from peril on the sea,  
Give incense of brave hearts to greet their Lord's Epiphany.  
O Keverne bells, etc.

Round dark Tintagel's castled crag, round Gurnard's Titan keep,  
The long Atlantic rollers boom their organ-music deep.  
And Buryan bells o'er land and sea the Christmas message bear  
To where the dreaming Scillies sleep in moon-enchanted air.  
O Buryan bells, etc.

O Magic moon! O mystic Stars!  
O music of the night!  
Your 'Gloria in Excelsis' sing,  
O Praise Him in the Height!  
'On earth be Peace, Good-will to men!'  
it is the Angels' song—  
Ring Cornish bells, ring one and all.

Ring Cornish bells o'er land and sea,  
Ring 'Gloria tibi Domine!'

Author unknown. Submitted by Mrs. P. J. Stanforth.

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# Letters to the Editor

## Standard Notation wanted

Dear Sir,—The method given as Rothley Surprise Major (page 278) is incorrect. The 2nds place method with the given place notation produces the lead end 1573 . . . not 1352, and has previously been rung in spliced as Guernsey. It was renamed Llanfihangelrhychdeith in a peal (page 48).

Since the False course heads (not ends) given are correct (see H. and M. Collection, Vol. II. Method No. 1,796) presumably the lead end place was printed or submitted incorrectly, since 8ths p.l.e. is 1352, as printed.

May I redefine the distinction between lead- and course-ends and heads? The end of a lead or course has the treble leading at the hand-stroke of its whole pull, the head has it leading at backstroke. Thus (e.g.) 12345678 is the zero-th lead head of Plain Bob, 13254768 is the first lead-end and 13527486 is the first lead-head.

Could copy submitted incorrectly be corrected by the Editor before printing, to avoid the confusion now existing? And could we have a uniform standard style of place-notation? (Again editorially supervised if necessary.) I suggest that places be printed in full (no first or last places 'understood'), changes where no bell makes a place be denoted by X, and adjacent places be separated by a full stop. An example of this type of layout is Spalding Surprise Major (page 299).

The economics of leaving places to be 'understood' are negligible, the 'understood' place has to be restored before use, and an X seems to me clearer than the alternative dash. Compare the clarity of Spalding with the untidiness (and inconsistency) of Hounslow in the adjacent column.

Could I also plead for a standard notation of lead-heads? The numerical system adopted in our Surprise Major collection has the advantage of easing the task of working out successive lead-heads, even in spliced methods. For example, a method like Cambridge having a lead-head denoted by the lead-head number 2 has its 2nd lead-head 4, its 3rd 6, 4th (8) = 1, and so on. (See Maurice Hodgson, 'A Symbolic Treatment of False Course Heads,' page 4, where he discusses the meaning and use of Hn, where n is our lead-head number). I have here called rounds the zero-th lead-head: this seems preferable to calling it the first, as he does.

The alternatives are two: The lead-head letter system, which is extremely compact, but does not have the ease of interpretation and prediction of the number system; or the present haphazard method of quoting the lead-head bells in full or in part, which is clear and easy to interpret, but takes much space and is not suited to easy prediction of the next lead-head.

Is it asking too much of our Editor to ensure a consistent editorial style? Most periodicals have it (for instance, the journal of the Institute of Physics has a multi-page booklet 'Notes for Authors,' which even goes into details of spelling and punctuation).

If it is objected that editing may lead to misinterpretation of submitted copy, then I would counter that if the Editor can misinterpret the copy, then so can the reader, and so nothing is lost, while something is gained—clarity and consistency.

As a further illustration, compare Hounslow, as printed on page 299, with my suggested method.

(a) 36—56.4.58—58.36.14—14.5—14—3.  
2nds place L.E. 157 38264 4ths place  
boh.

(b) 36 x 56.14.58 x 58.36.14 x 14.58 x  
14 x 38. 12 2 boh 14.

In the half-page width columns on the peal pages (even if not here), (b) has the advantage of taking a line fewer. Which is preferable? Anarchy or consistency? (Even if not on my terms, but on some.)—Yours faithfully,

JOHN W. McCLENAHAN.

Christ's College, Cambridge.

Note.—For 18 years the Editor has been trying to get a consistent form of arranging a peal with the number of a bell after the name, and not before, and footnotes in the following sequence, \*, †, ‡, § (recognised by printers) and there are still members of the Central Council who refuse. He hesitates to rearrange place notation.—Ed.

## Carillon goes to Belgium

Dear Sir,—Those who like to keep their 'Dove' up to date should delete the entry relating to the carillon in the Odeon Cinema, Marble Arch, London.

On the recent closure of this cinema the magnificent four-manual Hill, Norman and Beard concert organ was sold to a church at St. Austell, Cornwall. (I fear little room will be left for the congregation.) The carillon has been sold to Belgium—for £5,000!

Although the carillon had been disconnected for years, following complaints from patrons in the front stalls, it was played manually during a final B.B.C. recording of the organ, due to go out on the Third Programme at a future date.—Yours faithfully,

A. St. J. BOYACK.

Westcliff-on-Sea, Essex.

## The Leeds Broadcast—an Apology

Dear Sir,—It is considered an apology is due from the A.B.C. Television Authority rather than from Mr. Dove. We at York have had a similar experience.

On Easter Monday, 1962, A.B.C. Television broadcast the morning service from the Minster and we rang a titum course of Grandire Cinques prior to the service. What was broadcast, however, was a recording of rounds on the front eight.

The recording was made without our co-operation or knowledge and was made when rounds were being rung for the benefit of learners. At that time, also, the 9th was unringable, being loose on its headstock, and was awaiting the attention of the bellhangers, so that was why the middle octave was not being rung.

The facts were reported to the Dean and Chapter and we were advised that what had been done could not be undone, but we were forewarned for the future!

Our relations with the B.B.C., however, have been excellent. A few months ago a service was broadcast and several weeks before the event I was contacted and told it would be necessary to record the bells. My advice was sought as to the best time to take the recording and also the best place to place the microphone. The result was that on the Sunday prior to the broadcast the recording van arrived at the Minster at 9 a.m. and I was able to stay with the operator while the rest of the band rang a good course of Grandire Cinques. Everyone was satisfied.

Perhaps the Central Council Broadcasting Committee will take note of the ways of the A.B.C. Television Authority.—Yours sincerely,

HAROLD WALKER.

President.

York Minster Society.

## Australian Hospitality Commended

Dear Sir,—I would deem it a great privilege to be allowed a little space in your columns to try and express thanks to the ringing circle here 'down under.'

It is now two months since this ship called at the first port in Australia; from then on I have been received by the ringers in each respective port with hospitality that knows no bounds, both in the belfry and in Australian homes. This letter can do little to repay the debt I owe them but I feel I must pen a few words and assure people in 'The Ringing Isle' that both ringing and ringers are very much alive here. We in the U.K. can learn something from the ringers in Australia. At times they express regret at the sparseness of towers here but their insatiable enthusiasm for ringing will carry them a long way and makes up many times over for the lack of towers. At times like this I think that we are spoilt in Britain.

Finally, may I ask any merchant seaman reading this who has not sailed out here yet to mend the error of his ways, for a great and spontaneous welcome awaits him.

Thank you all in Australia for making this the most enjoyable and memorable voyage of my career at sea.—Yours sincerely,

K. FLEMING.

M.V. 'Port Brisbane.

## Two Points

Dear Sir,—I should like to draw the attention of the Exercise to two matters.

Firstly, in the Doubles collection in that excellent publication, 'Ringers' Notebook and Diary' for 1964, the dividing line between the leads has been drawn at the lead-end. This no doubt is due to last year's academic discussion on lead-heads and lead-ends in 'The Ringing World.' May I suggest that it would be of more use to the Doubles ringer if the dividing line was drawn below the lead-head, which most non-academic ringers refer to as the 'lead-end.'

The second matter is the motion which Mr. D. A. Bayles proposes to put to the Central Council this year. To propose a motion and then exclude certain methods (e.g., Cambridge) from it is quite illogical, better not to introduce the motion at all. One also fears that a motion applied in the first instance to even-bell methods may eventually be applied to odd-bell methods may eventually be applied many popular methods.

No doubt other ringers have their own views on the above matters, and I may be criticised for what I have said. I shall, however, be quite content if this letter succeeds in drawing attention to the two points discussed above.—Yours faithfully,

COLIN A. LEWIS.

Glasbury-on-Wye.

## An Apology

Dear Sir,—I hasten to apologise to my friend, Mr. Maurice Hodgson, for his renaming as Stuart on your front page of May 8th. Whether this was due to the article being written late at night, or to my calligraphy, or merely to a hitch in the production line, I have no idea, but I am glad that he is so well known in the Exercise that there can have been no doubt as to his identity.—Yours,

W. G. WILSON.

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## THE MASTER MARRIES THE SECRETARY



Mr. Alan John Frost, of Kettering, Master of the University of London Society, and Miss Diana Mary Lawless, of Corby, the secretary to the Society, photographed after their wedding at St. John the Baptist Church, Corby, on March 28th. A representative band of ringers assembled to ring before and after the service, which was fully choral and was followed by Communion. The bridegroom could not resist having a ring while waiting for the bride.

Diana wore a dress of patterned white brocade and carried a spray of tangerine rosebuds and white heather. She was attended by three bridesmaids—Bridget Lawless (her cousin), Idena Frost (sister of the bridegroom) and Enid Town (a college friend who is also a ringer). Their dresses were of tangerine coloured brocade, and they carried carnations and heather. The best man was Roger France, who, like the bridegroom, is an architect.

The top tier of the wedding cake was decorated to resemble a church tower complete with bells. The honeymoon was spent in Italy.

## CHESHIRE RING TO BE RECAST

Due to the dangerous condition of the tower, ringing at Bowdon Parish Church, Cheshire, was suspended early in 1963.

Inspection revealed that the eight pinnacles, each weighing approximately 3½ tons, would have to be demolished and the turret wall rebuilt.

The present ring of eight bells (tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lb. in F sharp) is to be recast with a tenor of 18 cwt. in E and hung in a new frame, approximately 25 feet below the existing one. The church gallery is to be modified to form a new ringing chamber.

Originally the tower held six bells, cast by A. B. Rudhall, in 1714, which in 1923 were recast and two trebles added. The first recorded peal was rung in 1936 and to date the total stands at 57.

It is hoped to dedicate the new ring towards the end of this year. A. J. B.

## RINGING COURSE AT LUMLEY CASTLE

'Praise him upon the loud cymbals: praise him upon the high-sounding cymbals.' (Psalm cl, 5)  
'Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.' (Proverbs iv, 7)

SUCH may be the thoughts behind all our schemes of organised courses in ringing, but variation in approach to these aspects will be found in particular cases. Thus development and innovation were the features of the third annual one-day course arranged by the Durham and Newcastle Association on March 21st.

Once again, we enjoyed the facilities of Lumley Castle, Chester-le-Street, a privilege accorded us by the Vice-Master of University College, Durham University, and the response of intending students was enough to tax even the resources of this resplendent hall of residence. Over 90 names were registered for the various classes and with the continuing yearly increase in numbers one can contemplate invoking the spirit of Sir Ralph de Lumley, the founder of the castle, to make some extensions.

The curriculum was developed on previous courses by catering for four different grades of study—Elementary Stage I (Class A) for the round and call change ringer wishing to take first steps into change ringing; Elementary Stage II (Class B) for the 'plain hunter' progressing to method ringing; Intermediate (Class C) for the elementary method ringer seeking to extend his repertoire by considering the two stages (i) Plain Bob to Kent T.B. Minor, (ii) Kent T.B. to Cambridge Surprise Minor; and the Advanced (Class D) for the more experienced ringer. Innovation was introduced by adeptly 'tailoring' the time-table so that each class was afforded two full sessions of practical belfry instruction, and in this respect we were fortunate in having five local towers available. In addition, no lectures were projected for the Advanced grade and, instead, the main feature was a discussion group where ringing topics of particular interest were considered and reported upon, while further time was devoted to advanced ringing practice in the tower.

Beginning with general assembly at 10.30 a.m., the full course was addressed by the Ringing Master, who welcomed all students and supplied general orders for the day. Class A was conducted by Mr. E. P. Rock and Class B by Mr. F. Hodgson, and these classes alternated throughout the day between the Pillared Hall at the castle and the belfries at Lanchester and Chester-le-Street parish churches. The syllabuses here covered respectively the study of tower bells, their fittings and action, to principles of striking and the elements of change ringing; and explanation of terms 'hunting', 'place making' and 'dodging' with their application to the structure of Plain Bob, the rules for ringing Plain Bob Minor and their practical aspect in belfry work.

Class C was organised in two streams 'X' (Plain Bob to Kent T.B.) and 'Y' (Kent T.B. to Cambridge Surprise), but to commence with a joint session was held, when Mr. D. A. Bayles lectured on 'Method Construction and its Practical Applications', in which the Plain

Bob system for producing changes was developed and the structural relationship of other 'regular' methods demonstrated. A text of the talk was available in booklet form and at a charge of 6d. copies were readily bought up. The streams then divided and Class X had a lecture from Mr. K. Arthur, who provided a detailed analysis of the Treble Bob principle with particular reference to the Kent variation. Simple rules and hints in ringing the method were demonstrated. Two practical sessions then followed at Houghton-le-Spring belfry when exercises in the Treble Bob principle were performed. Meanwhile, the Y class, which was alternating with the X class between lecture room and Houghton-le-Spring, completed a practical session ringing methods considered at the morning lecture as stepping stones to Cambridge Surprise. A further talk from Mr. Bayles on 'Progress to Cambridge Surprise' followed and the Treble Bob system with its variations 'in phase' and 'out of phase' were examined.

A welcome addition to the panel of tutors this year was Mr. W. J. Davidson, who undertook the unenviable task of launching the newly-introduced discussion group for the Advanced grade. With him gathered in the Junior Common Room were 16 expectant ringers and a wide range of subjects was dealt with in an informal atmosphere. The training of recruits and instructors, publicity, Association organisation were among the matters discussed at length and the opinion was expressed that the group met a real need and could be repeated to advantage. Then after an afternoon assisting with practical work in the A and B grades, this class concluded the course with ringing practice at the Sunderland belfries of St. Ignatius' and Bishopwearmouth, which included the ringing of a quarter peal of Bob Major, elsewhere reported.

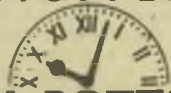
Following dinner in the Great Hall when we had the Rector of Chester-le-Street and Mrs. A. Spurr as our guests, the usual forum was held where the proceedings of the day are open to criticism. Among suggestions for future courses was one for a talk on belfry maintenance for towerkeepers and this was duly noted by the organisers. On a proposal of Mr. E. P. Rock a vote of thanks was passed to the Ringing Master for his work in promoting his third successful project and the gathering then adjourned to the Pillared Hall to conclude the event with a social get-together and general discourse on those things that only ringers understand. K. A.

## LORD FISHER AT DORSET MEETING

Lord Fisher of Lambeth, who lives at Trent, Dorset, in retirement, honoured the joint meeting there on May 2nd of the Ilchester Branch (Bath and Wells Association) and the North Dorset Branch (Salisbury Diocesan Guild) by his presence. Over 50 attended the service conducted by the Rector (the Rev. T. F. Taylor) and tea. Lord Fisher did at one time learn to handle a bell but he would not be persuaded to come to the tower.

Numbers increased in the evening and methods rung included Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford, Kent, Cambridge and London.

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# QUARTER PEALS

**ASH, SURREY.**—On April 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. G. Sherwood 1, Angela J. Smart 2, Joan Reynier 3, Angela Hawes 4, J. Collier 5, P. G. Smart (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**ASHWICK, SOMERSET.**—On April 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Quartley 1, B. Carter (first quarter) 2, J. Nibbs 3, C. Quartley 4, G. Carter 5, D. Nibbs (cond.) 6. First of Bob Minor by all the band.

**BARRINGTON, SOMERSET.**—On April 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: T. Bryant 1, Miss J. Crocker 2, Mrs. L. Crocker 3, A. R. Parker 4, F. J. White (cond.) 5. A. Callow 6.

**BARTON ST. DAVID, SOMERSET.**—On April 26th, 1,260 Grandire Doubles: T. Bryant 1, Mrs. L. Crocker 2, Miss J. Crocker 3, F. J. White 4, R. Parker 5, W. Prescott (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.**—On May 3rd, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Grandire): Miss B. Fisher 1, Miss L. Doone 2, Miss H. Copperthwaite 3, R. J. Brown (cond.) 4, V. J. C. Dale 5. For Parish Communion.

**BENTLEY, YORKS.**—On May 1st, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Mrs. E. Anderson 1, Miss P. Leigh 2, Mrs. R. J. Sanderson 3, A. Mullinger 4, J. Whitam 5. Conducting shared by 3 and 5. Rung on the 50th anniversary of the Sheffield Diocese.

**BLANDFORD FORUM, DORSET.**—On St. George's Day, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. G. Rose 1, Mrs. C. Mould 2, L. J. Lockyer 3, R. Sheppard 4, E. G. Mould 5, G. C. Grant 6, H. A. Mitchell (cond.) 7, M. Jenkins 8. For St. George's Day, and as a 65th birthday compliment to the conductor.

**BRADFELD, BERKS.**—On April 29th, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): R. Munro Ashman (first quarter) 1, B. Holloway (first 'inside') 2, F. Brooks 3, R. Allum 4, J. Butler (cond.) 5, M. Wise 6.

**BRADFORD-ON-AVON, WILTS.**—On May 2nd, 1,260 Grandire Triples: P. Bevan (first quarter) 1, J. Nibbs (first of Triples 'inside') 2, B. Carter (first Triples) 3, C. Quartley (first of Triples) 4, D. Nibbs 5, G. Carter 6, F. Box (cond.) 7, J. Beavan 8. For inauguration of 'Elizabethan Week' in honour of William Shakespeare. Also on May 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: J. Beavan 1, B. Carter (first in method) 2, R. Quartley (first of Triples) 3, G. Carter 4, G. Parsons 5, P. Gaisford 6, F. Box (cond.) 7, E. Wicks 8. Also on May 4th, 1,260 Grandire Triples: B. Carter 1, G. Carter 2, D. Nibbs 3, R. Quartley 4, G. Parsons 5, F. Box 6, P. Gaisford (first as cond.) 7, J. Beavan 8.

**BROMBOROUGH, CHESHIRE.**—On Feb. 29th, 1,250 Yorkshire Surprise Major: J. H. Fielden 1, Hazel A. Arrowsmith 2, N. Lamping 3, R. S. Starkie 4, J. J. Fox 5, C. K. Cooper 6, G. H. Pullin 7, P. S. Bennett (cond.) 8. Rung by members of the L.U.S.C.R. on the occasion of their annual dinner, to congratulate Miss P. Ann Freeman and Mr. Michael Pilgrim, both members of the Society, on their engagement.

**BURMARSH, KENT.**—On April 29th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandire): A. Neilson 1, Miss M. Cook 2, R. Brotherton (cond.) 3, Miss A. Rayner 4, Mrs. R. Wratten 5, T. Fagg 6. Rung half-muffled as tribute to Frank Watts, captain at Burmarsh, whose funeral took place earlier in the day.

**CASSINGTON, OXFORD.**—On May 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: N. Floyd 1, H. F. Miles 2, H. Floyd 3, W. Butler 4, W. Jones (cond.) 5, O. Jones 6.

**CLAVERLEY, SALOP.**—On April 26th, 1,260 Grandire Triples: W. Francis 1, J. Lloyd 2, C. Jones 3, E. Drew (cond.) 4, G. Goodson 5, F. Bennett 6, V. Parton 7, J. Courtman 8. Rung half-muffled before Matins in memorial Joseph Marsh, captain of the ringers at Claverley for 50 years, who died on April 21st.

**COTHERSTONE, YORKS.**—On March 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Janice M. Smith 1, Dinah M. Blow 2, Sheila A. Chinnery 3, P. P. Fenney 4, J. D. Weaver 5, C. B. Dove (cond., 25th quarter) 6. Birthday compliments to Dinah M. Blow and C. B. Dove.

**CRANFIELD, BEDS.**—On May 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: D. Manton 1, Pauline Hillson 2, Dawn Weller (first 'inside') 3, D. W. Manton (cond.) 4, S. Woolley (first of Doubles) 5.

**DANEHILL, SUSSEX.**—On May 3rd, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Vivienne Stevens (first quarter) 1, PERRY Butcher 2, Betty Butler 3, A. W. Fuller 4, A. J. Butcher (cond.) 5, Lynn Taylor 6. First in five methods by all. For Evensong and as a compliment to H.R.H. Princess Margaret, on the birth of a daughter.

**GORING-ON-THAMES, BERKS.**—On May 3rd, 1,260 Grandire Triples: D. Birt 1, M. W. Napper 2, N. H. F. Tull 3, H. Tull 4, L. G. Haines 5, S. Franklin 6, W. J. Irving (cond.) 7, F. J. Hiscock 8. For Confirmation.

**GREAT BADDOW, ESSEX.**—On May 3rd, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: L. Ainger 1, T. Roast 2, M. Jane Foster 3, E. W. Roast 4, J. P. Brandon 5, J. E. G. Roast 6, D. A. S. Symonds 7, I. R. Pantom (cond.) 8.

**HARROW-ON-THE-HILL, MIDDX.**—On March 15th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss P. Ollen 1, Miss S. Heaseman 2, C. W. Simpson 3, Miss L. E. Simpson 4, Mrs. J. Rose 5, R. A. Gage 6, B. E. Matthews (cond.) 7, B. A. Rose 8. To celebrate the birth of a son to H.M. the Queen. Also on April 5th, 1,260 Grandire Triples: J. Elliot (first 'away' from tenor) 1, Miss S. Heaseman 2, Mrs. M. G. Gage 3, R. A. Gage 4, Miss L. E. Simpson 5, C. W. Simpson 6, B. E. Matthews (cond.) 7, Mrs. J. Rose 8. For Evensong.

**HERSHAM, SURREY.**—On May 3rd, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss D. Colcombe 1, Miss G. Mooring 2, G. Bailey 3, Miss J. Palmer 4, Miss P. Bird 5, C. Webb 6, H. Colcombe 7, B. White (cond.) 8. Rung for evening service.

**HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.**—On April 25th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: D. A. Cornwall 1, Wendy Hussey 2, Joyce Barton 3, R. H. Newton 4, P. Newton 5, A. Newton 6, R. Birrs (cond.) 7, B. J. Forest 8. Rung half-muffled in memorial Rev. T. R. G. Carter, father of a local ringer.

**HUTTON, ESSEX.**—On May 3rd, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): W. Wright 1, C. E. Hill 2, J. J. Wallcut 3, W. T. Hill (cond.) 4, R. G. Jones 5. To mark the birth of a child to the Duke and Duchess of Kent.

**LICHFIELD, STAFFS.**—At the Cathedral, on May 3rd, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: W. R. Weston (first of Major) 1, Lucy Smith 2, C. T. Collins (first of Major) 3, F. A. Sedgwick 4, F. T. Hayle 5, B. J. Townsend 6, J. B. Webb 7, C. M. Smith (cond.) 8. For Matins.

**LITTLE MISSENDEN, BUCKS.**—On April 28th, 1,260 Grandire Doubles: Diane Presdee 1, Ann Cass 2, Elizabeth Sunley (cond.) 3, Sarah Peck 4, R. Snack 5, A. Peck 6. A birthday compliment to S. Orchard, tower foreman and president of Chiltern Branch O.D.G.

**LIVERPOOL, LANCs.**—On March 14th, at the Church of St. Francis Xavier, 1,260 Minor (Cambridge and Plain Bob): M. A. Phillips 1, R. F. Mack 2, N. Lamping 3, J. J. Fox 4, J. H. Fielden 5, C. K. Cooper (cond.) 6, R. S. Starkie cover. Rung by members of the L.U.S.C.R. on the occasion of the enthronement of the new R.C. Archbishop of Liverpool.

**LYDD, KENT.**—On April 20th, 1,260 Grandire Doubles: Lydia Terry 1, H. S. Humphery 2, Maisie Vantom 3, S. J. Boulden 4, R. Swift (cond.) 5, A. S. Phelps 6. An 83rd birthday compliment to Mr. H. S. Humphery.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On May 3rd, 1,260 Bob and Grandire Doubles: A. Neilson 1, Rachel Sinden 2, Elizabeth Todd 3, Myrtle Cook 4, R. P. Brotherton (cond.) 5, C. Kidd (first quarter) 6. For Evensong.

**MERRIOTT, SOMERSET.**—On April 21st, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: R. Cannon 1, P. Huggitt 2, H. E. Turner 3, A. C. Best 4, S. A. Turner (cond.) 5, A. W. Robinson 6. For the birthday of H.M. the Queen.

**MISTLEY, ESSEX.**—On April 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Honeywood 1, Rita Peck (first 'inside') 2, Gillian Brown 3, G. Waterman 4, A. E. Honeywood (cond.) 5, U. Wildney 6. Birthday compliments Philip Spearman (21st) and Gillian Brown.

**NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.**—On April 29th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: J. M. Goodchild 1, M. D. Trigg 2, Miss C. M. Hadfield 3, Miss R. J. Kemp (first quarter) 4, J. H. Taylor 5, M. M. Powell (first as cond.) 6. By the Southampton University Guild for the birth of a daughter to the Duchess of Kent.

**OAKS-IN-CHARNOOD, LEICS.**—On April 23rd, half-muffled 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: J. Wright 1, Mary Barrass 2, S. Hall 3, M. Roberts 4, J. W. Bowley 5, C. W. Hall (cond.) 6. First quarter 1 and 2. In memorial Rev. A. C. Holden (Vicar, 1929-1949), died April 21st, aged 80. Also on April 26th, for the memorial service, 1,292 Kent T. B. Minor: A. Lord 1, S. Hall (first of Kent) 2, C. Lord 3, C. W. Hall 4, J. W. Bowley 5, R. Beniston (cond.) 6.

**OTLANDS PARK, SURREY.**—On May 3rd, 1,400 Plain Bob Triples: Miss D. Colcombe 1, Miss J. Smith 2, Miss G. Mooring 3, Mrs. P. Bird 4, C. Webb 5, H. Colcombe 6, J. Martin (cond.) 7, B. White 8. A compliment to Joan Smith and John Martin, on their engagement.

**ORSETT, ESSEX.**—On April 26th, 1,260 Doubles (seven methods): S. Holdaway 1, Mrs. D. G. Mayell 2, Miss J. E. M. Hills 3, T. G. Hull (first in seven methods) 4, D. G. Mayell (75th quarter as cond.) 5, F. W. Blatch 6. A compliment to Gillian Loughhead and Rex Osmond, on the occasion of their marriage.

**RAINHAM, KENT.**—On April 18th, 1,260 Grandire Doubles (with two stationary trebles): Mrs. M. Croall 1, Miss C. Hart (first quarter) 2, Mrs. F. J. Cheal 3, Miss D. Southam 4, S. V. Rayfield 5, F. J. Cheal (cond.) 6, C.P.O. T. Wright, R.N. 7, R. Pearce (aged 13) cover. Birthday compliments to M. Osborne, S. Naylor, M. Wicks and Stephen Deer, of the Rainham band.

**RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.**—On April 5th, 1,260 Grandire Triples: H. King 1, Mrs. D. Belcham 2, Miss A. Goddard 3, Miss P. Halliwell 4, F. May 5, M. Hallett (cond.) 6, D. Belcham 7, W. Ward 8. For the engagement of Miss A. Goddard and M. Johnson-Baker. Also on April 12th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: D. Belcham 1, T. Jones 2, Miss R. Carr 3, F. May 4, B. Bull 5, R. Tomlin (cond.) 6, M. Hallett 7, A. House 8. First of Surprise Major for 3 and 5. For Evensong.

**RIPPLE, WORCS.**—On Mar. 20th, 1,260 Seighford Bob Doubles: Joan Gaine 1, M. Hawkes (cond.) 2, C. Haylings 3, A. Halling 4, B. Spiers 5, J. Mead 6. First in the variation by all the band.

**ST. LEONARDS-ON-SEA, SUSSEX.**—On April 25th, 1,316 Grandire Triples: Judy Bowen 1, S. Bailey 2, G. Ridd 3, Louise Gallini 4, S. C. Driver 5, G. Piper 6, I. V. J. Smith (cond.) 7, R. Bailey 8. 25th together for 1 and 7. For the induction of the Rev. Edward Elton Lury, as Rector.

**SALTLEFEBY, Lincs.**—On April 29th, 1,260 Grandire Doubles: H. Rigall 1, I. Burgess 2, A. Patrick 3, P. Jacklin 4, K. Faulker (cond.) 5. To celebrate the birth of the first grandson to treble ringer. The parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Davey, were former ringers at North Somercotes.

**SEEND, WILTS.**—On May 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Osborne 1, Pamela Osborne 2, S. Cottle 3, W. Alexander 4, J. Abbott (first of P.B. Minor) 5, D. Bailey (cond.) 6.

**SEND, SURREY.**—On April 29th, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury, Plain Bob and Grandire): P. Privett 1, J. Bills 2, Joyce Drury 3, C. Webb 4, J. Martin (cond.) 5, S. Strudwick 6. Rung in memory of William A. Goldstone, of Addlestone, who died two years ago this day.

**SHAPWICK, SOMERSET.**—On April 9th, 1,260 Grandire Doubles: Joy Bagg (13) 1, K. Prime (cond.) 2, D. Dean (13, first 'inside') 3, Janice Haggett (15) 4, K. Cavill (first 'inside') 5, Angela French (13) 6. A 65th birthday compliment to Tom Hawkins, Sexton at Ashcott, rung by the Ashcott band.

**SHARESHILL, STAFFS.**—On March 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Smith 1, D. R. Hawksworth 2, Mrs. E. M. Key 3, B. G. Key (cond.) 4, H. Butler 5, M. H. Butler 6. First in method 1, 2 and 6. Rung for Easter.

**SOMERTON, SOMERSET.**—On April 28th, 1,440 Cambridge Minor: W. E. Turner 1, G. H. Rendle 2, Rev. C. J. B. Marshall 3, K. Prime 4, E. T. P. Field 5, H. E. G. Jeanes (cond.) 6. For the 30th wedding anniversary of Rev. T. H. O. and Mrs. Hayter.

**STREATHAM COMMON, LONDON.**—At Immanuel Church on May 2nd, 1,260 Grandire Triples: C. G. Barnes (first quarter) 1, R. Davies 2, Miss R. Carr 3, N. S. Bagworth (cond.) 4, B. J. Bull 5, D. I. Woodhams 6, R. C. Stevens 7, K. Taber 8.

**TROWELL, NOTTS.**—On April 29th, 1,440 Treble Bob Minor (10 methods): T. Dutton and Miss S. Meredith 1, Miss C. Froggatt 2, B. M. Buswell 3, Mrs. D. Bradley 4, F. Bradley 5, B. Mills (cond.) 6.

**WANDSWORTH, LONDON.**—On May 1st, at All Saints' Church, 1,263 Stedman Triples: Ruth Carr 1, R. E. J. Dennis (first of Stedman) 2, R. J. Cooles 3, Alison Mann 4, B. Bull 5, M. J. Bingham (cond., first of Stedman) 6, M. J. Uphill 7, J. H. Gaze 8. A compliment to Princess Margaret on the birth of a daughter.

**WHICKHAM, CO. DURHAM.**—On April 18th, 1,296 Surprise Minor (Cambridge): W. Davidson (first of Treble Bob) 1, Miss M. E. Murcott 2, S. Thompson 3, J. Crowther 4, R. A. Yeates (50th quarter) 5, M. Maughan (cond.) 6. Rung to mark Mr. Stephen Thompson's 60 years as a ringer at this church. Also on April 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss M. T. A. Thow 1, W. A. Thow 2, S. Thompson 3, M. Maughan 4, W. Davidson (first as cond.) 5. For Evensong.

**WINFORD, SOMERSET.**—On April 29th, 1,260 Grandire Doubles: Gladys Bishop 1, C. York 2, Ruth R. Ball 3, H. Ball 4, C. Bishop (cond.) 5, D. Dando 6. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to Harold Worle, a regular Sunday service ringer and member of the choir, whose funeral took place earlier this day.



## OBITUARY

## MR. JOSEPH MARSH

Mr. Joseph Marsh, of Claverley, Salop, died suddenly on April 21st. He had had trouble with his heart a few weeks earlier and had been advised by his doctor to take a period of rest, which necessitated him giving up his ringing.

His death came as a shock to the residents of Claverley, and especially his fellow ringers. Joe Marsh, who was the local captain, had been a ringer at All Saints' Church for just over 50 years. He was a devoted 'Sunday service ringer' and it was only on rare occasions that he was absent from duty. He was equally regular on practice nights. Joe loved his bells at Claverley and it was on a few special occasions only that he could be persuaded to ring at other towers. He had rung a few peals, mostly at Claverley.

In addition to his ringing activities Joe Marsh was a very keen chorister and his good tenor voice will be much missed. He was also a member of the Parochial Church Council for many years. Claverley Church has indeed lost one of its stalwarts. F. C. A. B.

## AN APPRECIATION

Mr. Philip Mehew writes: It was with sorrow that I read of the death of Joe Marsh, of Claverley. One of my most treasured ringing experiences was that of ringing in a peal at Claverley on November 30th last year in commemoration of 50 years' service by Joe Marsh and Ernie Drew in their belfry.

It was of this village that a ringer once said 'in other place one exists, but in Claverley you really LIVE!' The beauty of this place goes far deeper than the material, the warmth of its fellowship lies everywhere, and welcomes one in belfry, choir, 'Top,' 'Middle' or 'Bottom.' Joe Marsh had a great deal to do with this welcome, and I would like to offer my sympathy to Mrs. Marsh and all of my many friends at Claverley, for Joe's passing is our loss.

PHILIP MEHEW.

## MR. F. WATTS

Burmarsh, Kent, ringers suffered a tragic blow in the sudden death of their captain. Mr. Frank Watts, on April 24th, at the early age of 57. Not only had he been a member of Burmarsh band for about 35 years, but was also organist and churchwarden for the last few years.

Frank had rung several quarter peals and was always present for service ringing. Only in recent years, with Frank's leadership and determination, had Burmarsh ringers made progress in change ringing, and a few weeks before he died they rang their first course of Cambridge Minor.

To his memory a half-muffled quarter peal was rung on April 29th, with the help of friends from Lympe. Later Mrs. Watts, Brian and Yvonne paid a visit to the belfry to express their thanks. A. T. R.

## SIR GILBERT ACLAND-TROYTE

Lieut.-Col. Sir Gilbert Acland-Troyte, C.M.G., D.S.O., who died recently, aged 87, was Member of Parliament for Tiverton from 1924 to 1945. He was the third son of Col. C. A. W. Troyte, one of the founders of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers and the author of a formerly well known text book on ringing.

## ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX

A programme of ringing, which included Cambridge, Kent, Oxford, London and Double Norwich, made the Guild's meeting at Mytholmroyd on May 2nd most enjoyable. Local ringers provided a sumptuous tea, the Vicar (the Rev. W. H. Barnes) conducted a Ringers' Evensong and the presence of friends from Lancashire among the many visitors gave us great pleasure. W. M.

WAREHAM, DORSET.—On April 25th, 1,260 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob Triples: Joanna J. Wigg (first of Triples) 1, Judith A. Robertson 2, L. H. Pink 3, G. W. Elmes 4, J. W. Blackwood 5, H. I. Pitman 6, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 7, R. W. Young 8 First of Triples in the method by all. Rung for the Feast of St. Mark.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

Some 63 members were present at the annual general meeting of the Bedfordshire Association, held in the crypt of St. Mary's Church, Woburn, on May 2nd.

During the day ringing took place at Amptill, Flitwick, Westoning, Aspley Guise, Husborne Crawley and Eversholt. Despite the rather damp weather, there was a good crowd at every tower and the ringing was generally of a good standard. Our thanks are extended to the incumbents who met us and allowed us to ring on their bells.

The Vicar of Woburn, who had taken the service, at which the captain of Woburn ringers read the lesson, welcomed the Association, and particularly to the spacious but 'empty' crypt, where all present enjoyed tea, prepared by the local ladies. After tea the young Woburn handbell ringers under their conductor, Mr. K. Spavins, ably entertained the company.

The president, Mr. A. E. Rushton, who presided, thanked the Vicar and ringers of Woburn, and the ladies who prepared the tea. It was pointed out by the treasurer (Mr. A. S. Smith) that the statement of accounts showed no deficit only because an annual report was not published last year.

The officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, Mr. A. E. Rushton; secretary and treasurer, Mr. A. S. Smith; peal secretary, Mr. P. Mehew; auditor, Mr. C. E. Jeffries; Central Council representatives, Messrs. J. H. Edwards and A. E. Rushton; trustees, Messrs. H. D. Harris and A. J. Smith; librarian, Mrs. S. J. Ivin.

It was decided to hold the 1964 A.G.M. at Bromham on May 1st, with ringing at various towers in the district. The meeting rejected the idea of holding a summer festival, but there were indications that if a dinner was held in November it would be well supported.

After the meeting ringing up to London was continued on the eight bells. A. R. A.

LONG BUCKBY, NORTHANTS.—On April 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: E. A. Gautrey 1, R. C. Kennell (first 'inside') 2, J. H. Williams 3, N. Craddock 4, J. E. Goddard (cond.) 5.

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A word of gratitude is  
expressed by those who rang  
the peal of Plain Bob Royal

at St. Andrew's, Plymouth, on April 28th, to  
William A. Theobald for standing in at the  
last moment and making the peal possible.  
The band send their best wishes to Thomas  
G. Myers and E. Maurice Atkins, two Guild  
officers, and wish them both a speedy recovery  
and a quick return to the ringing chamber.

Peals at Sherborne Abbey are always occa-  
sions to be remembered. Mr. Derek Jones  
conducted a youthful band through a very  
good peal there on March 30th.

Colin Wright, of Walthamstow, who started  
ringing at 13 after his holidays last year and  
is already ringing Stedman Caters, recently  
stood in a peal of Bob Major at short notice  
and rang this, his first peal attempt, without  
a single trip.

In connection with the peal of Grandsire  
Doubles at Chetwynd, Salop (see page 301),  
it was the first peal at first attempt for L.  
Evans, S. Illidge and Jack Smith, and the  
first of Grandsire and of Doubles for Philip  
R. Johnson.

The band who rang the peal at Timsbury  
would like to thank Mr. and Mrs. Cottle for  
providing tea afterwards — this and the teas  
for the previous lost attempts have been  
most kind. Mr. Cottle is tower captain and  
he rang the tenor to his first peal.

Considerable interest in campanology is  
being evinced by Rotary in the South. Mr. A.  
York-Bramble has accepted his fourth invita-  
tion to lecture to clubs in this area, this  
time to the Cosham (Hants) club. Previous  
talks he has given to the Southampton, Ports-  
mouth and Fareham clubs.

Cottingham (Yorkshire) ringers were rather  
taken aback during ringing for Evensong on  
May 3rd. Since Matins two pigeons had built  
a nest in the eye-level window alcove of the  
ringing chamber and the female bird started  
to lay eggs during the evening ringing. It has  
not been possible to ascertain the foundry  
marks on the eggs yet, however, but whether  
cast at Loughborough or Whitechapel it is  
hoped that the 'youngsters' will be interested  
enough to take up ringing at a later stage!

## BELFRY GOSSIP

When the new Vicar in a  
Yorkshire parish suggested  
to the old bell ringer nearing  
80 that it was time he retired, the old chap  
cheerfully replied: 'Lookee here, sir. I was  
born and bred in this place and in me time  
I've seen five Vicars of the parish dead, and I  
would like to make it half-a-dozen before I  
give up myself.'

No more applications for peal attempts at  
Lichfield Cathedral can be considered until  
mid-1965.

At the 13th attempt, spread over a period of  
two years, M. J. Bangham, of Kingston-upon-  
Thames, has rung his first quarter of Stedman.

The band who rang a quarter peal of Sted-  
man at Blandford on St. George's Day would  
also like to associate the quarter with the  
Ancient Order of Foresters Friendly Society  
(Wimborne, Wareham and Bournemouth  
Courts) as a quarter peal attempt before a  
centenary service at Wimborne Minster on the  
previous Sunday was unsuccessful.

Mr. Cecil W. Pipe writes that the ringing  
arranged in Cornwall on Sunday, Monday,  
Wednesday and Thursday during Whit week,  
excluding the two coach tours, allows a fairly  
good tour of the county and deserves support.  
At least four ringers of his family will present  
themselves at the towers mentioned.

Mr. George Hawkins, of Luton, and Donald  
Clift, of Cardiff, attended school together, and  
learned to ring at Usk while still at school.  
Up to 1935 they rang many peals together,  
now, after an interval of 29 years, they have  
rung another, a peal of Stedman Caters at  
Luton.

The quarter peal of Cambridge Surprise  
Minor rung at Somerton on April 28th ran  
into difficulties owing to part of the tenor  
rope breaking and unplaiting and flying  
around, and also the sally breaking apart  
after the conductor set the bells. At the end  
all had a good laugh. The ringer of the  
treble said, 'There's one thing, old Garge  
got more hair now than when he started!' To  
this the ringer of the fifth added: Ah! and  
I got more fluff, too.'

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**A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS**

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

WILFRED WILLIAMS .. .. Treble	TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. .. 7
B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. .. 2	JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. 8
RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 3	JOHN S. MASON .. .. 9
ANDREW N. STUBBS .. .. 4	TREVOR N. J. BAILEY .. .. 10
WILLIAM A. THEOBALD .. .. 5	RALPH G. EDWARDS .. .. 11
F. JOHN NELSON .. .. 6	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

SHREWSBURY, SHROPSHIRE.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 33 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD,

**A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS**

Tenor 39 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb. in C.

AVRIL IVIN .. .. Treble	L. MICHAEL CALLOW .. .. 7
CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. .. 2	EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. 8
JOHN McDONALD .. .. 3	DAVID J. ALLEN .. .. 9
PATRICK I. CHAPMAN .. .. 4	HUBERT E. ASHLEY .. .. 10
FRANK W. PERRENS .. .. 5	STEPHEN IVIN .. .. 11
BASIL JONES .. .. 6	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., April 27, 1964, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF 5280 TIMARU SURPRISE MAXIMUS**

(Five course block, rept.)

Tenor 25 cwt.

BRIAN S. CHAPMAN .. .. Treble	E. ALAN JACQUES .. .. 7
SANDRA E. CHESTERTON .. .. 2	J. BARRY PICKUP .. .. 8
PETER J. STANFORTH .. .. 3	ALAN E. HARTLEY .. .. 9
JOHN M. JELLEY .. .. 4	HERRICK B. BOWLEY .. .. 10
DAVID WILFORD .. .. 5	RUSSELL S. MORRIS .. .. 11
SHIRLEY BURTON .. .. 6	WILLIAM J. ROOT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HERRICK B. BOWLEY.

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On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP.

**A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

MURIEL REAY .. .. Treble	GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 6
*BERYL N. REED .. .. 2	*COLIN W. REED .. .. 7
RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 3	BARRIE HENDRY .. .. 8
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 4	FREDERICK ROSS .. .. 9
CHARLES A. S. WEBB .. .. 5	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

\* First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Royal.

SOUTHGATE, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH.

**A PEAL OF 5021 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Tenor 24 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb.

HAROLD J. HAZELL .. .. Treble	JOHN WEAVER .. .. 6
*MONICA M. MOORE .. .. 2	MICHAEL J. HALLETT .. .. 7
†CHRISTOPHER J. ALDRIDGE .. .. 3	PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. 8
†JOAN SPREADBURY .. .. 4	ALFRED J. HOUSE .. .. 9
†ALAN G. SPREADBURY .. .. 5	†MICHAEL J. MEDLEY .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. JOHNSON.

Conducted by ALFRED J. HOUSE.

\* First peal of Grandsire. † First on ten. ‡ First on ten, and of Grandsire.

WAKEFIELD, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 33 Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPICED SURPRISE ROYAL**

In 28 methods, being 240 each of Albanian, Cambridge, Lincolnshire, London No. 3, Mirfield, Oakham, Prittlewell, Pudsey, Ranmoor, Rutland, Selby, Staffordshire, York and Yorkshire, and 120 each of Abingdon, Banbury, Bromsgrove, Coalbrookdale, Haslemere, Inveraray, Leek, Lindsey, Marsden, Ossett, Sunderland, Wembley, Whitby and Yeovil; with 122 changes of method.

Tenor 35½ cwt. in C.

NEIL DONOVAN .. .. Treble	VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. .. 6
JEANNE BOTTOMLEY .. .. 2	GORDON BENFIELD .. .. 7
W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. .. 3	WILFRID F. MORETON .. .. 8
DONALD H. NIBLETT .. .. 4	JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK .. .. 9
J. HENRY FIELDEN .. .. 5	RICHARD E. PRICE .. .. Tenor

Composed by DONALD H. NIBLETT. Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.

Most methods rung in a peal of Royal.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

On Tues., April 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

Tenor 35 cwt. in D flat.

JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD .. Treble	A. WILLIAM MYERS .. .. 6
D. ROY BOULD .. .. 2	MARTIN F. LOCK .. .. 7
JEAN F. BARNETT .. .. 3	FREDERICK WREFFORD .. .. 8
MARGARET A. BOULD .. .. 4	NORMAN MALLETT .. .. 9
WILLIAM A. THEOBALD .. .. 5	FRANK D. MACK .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. J. TUCKER.

Conducted by NORMAN MALLETT.

A 21st birthday compliment to Jean F. Barnett.

HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

**A PEAL OF 5000 REDCLIFFE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in E flat.

*PATRICIA J. LAYCOCK .. Treble	JOHN HILL .. .. 6
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 2	THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 7
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. .. 3	DENNIS KNOX .. .. 8
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. .. 4	FRANK T. BLAGROVE .. .. 9
C. KENNETH LEWIS .. .. 5	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. Tenor

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal on ten bells. First in the method in the county, for the Association, and by all the band except the ringer of the fifth.

BROMSGROVE SURPRISE ROYAL

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## EIGHT BELL PEALS

SHERBORNE, DORSET.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 44 Minutes.

AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 46 cwt. 5 lb. in B flat.

DEREK P. JONES .. .. Treble	JOHN K. SMITH .. .. 5
GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. .. 2	D. JOHN HUNT .. .. 6
EDWIN DEAKIN .. .. 3	C. MICHAEL ORME .. .. 7
TERRY R. HATCHETT .. .. 4	DAVID EAMES .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD.

Conducted by DEREK P. JONES.

GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Mon., April 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN.

A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 23 lb. in G.

CECIL W. PIPE .. .. Treble	SYLVIA R. E. PIPE .. .. 5
*MICHAEL F. DANIELS .. .. 2	ERNEST G. PEARCE .. .. 6
BRENDA E. DOWNING .. .. 3	ROBERT F. DOWNING .. .. 7
CLIFFORD R. LOVETT .. .. 4	GEORGE W. PIPE .. .. Tenor

Composed by THOS. B. WORSLEY.

Conducted by GEORGE W. PIPE.

\* First Surprise peal attempt.

UTTOXETER, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5120 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in E flat.

IAN FRIEND .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 5
ANN P. FELLOWS .. .. 2	RICHARD J. WARRILLOW .. .. 6
F. HECTOR BENNETT .. .. 3	*DEREK P. JONES .. .. 7
CHARLES A. S. WEBB .. .. 4	DAVID W. FRIEND .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

Conducted by DEREK P. JONES.

\* 625th peal

LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., April 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 4 lb. in F.

RONALD H. DOVE .. .. Treble	ARNOLD COLE .. .. 5
R. FRASER MACK .. .. 2	ROGER J. LUMLEY .. .. 6
JOHN WEAVER .. .. 3	JEFFREY J. FOX .. .. 7
ANTHONY E. STAMP .. .. 4	C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

Rung half-muffled in memory of Arthur Hollis, for 37 years churchward under six vicars of Leeds.

BIRMINGHAM.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM

On Thurs., April 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP.

A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in A.

MURIEL REAY .. .. Treble	GERALD C. HEMMING .. .. 5
GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 2	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 6
GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. .. 3	RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 7
EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. 4	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

Composed by HAROLD G. CASHMORE.

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

TOTTENHAM, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL HALLOWS.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr.

JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. Treble	DENNIS ELLISON .. .. 5
*JOAN SPREADBURY .. .. 2	DAVID A. H. BENNETT .. .. 6
MONICA M. MOORE .. .. 3	MICHAEL J. HALLETT .. .. 7
DENNIS A. HEWITT .. .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by MICHAEL J. HALLETT.

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

WOBURN, BEDFORDSHIRE.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF 5088 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 24 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb. in D.

WILLIAM A. YATES .. .. Treble	GILES R. SHEDDEN .. .. 5
WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. .. 2	EDWARD R. VENN .. .. 6
CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. 3	DAVID P. HILLING .. .. 7
SYDNEY M. BAILEY .. .. 4	GEORGE W. HOLLAND .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS.

Conducted by DAVID P. HILLING.

WORCESTER.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 23½ cwt.

JOHN J. STANIER .. .. Treble	ALLEN MORGAN .. .. 5
R. GEORGE MORRIS .. .. 2	JOHN C. SLATER .. .. 6
REGINALD WOODYATT .. .. 3	HUGH NEILL .. .. 7
M. ROGER ASHMORE .. .. 4	THOMAS W. LEWIS .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by HUGH NEILL.

A welcome to the new Rector, the Rev. J. G. Barnish, inducted the previous evening.

PACKWOOD, WARWICKSHIRE.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Mon., April 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.

A PEAL OF 5024 SHROPSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in B flat.

IAN C. MAYCOCK .. .. Treble	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 5
DAVID J. ALLEN .. .. 2	RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 6
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 3	GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 7
PETER S. BENNETT .. .. 4	CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

First peal in the method by all the band.

Rung for the induction of the new Vicar.

DAVENTRY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., April 23, 1964, in 3 Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS.

A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.

RICHARD F. B. SPEED .. .. Treble	*KENNETH D. PERKINS .. .. 5
*GRAHAM C. PAUL .. .. 2	*MICHAEL R. BENNETT .. .. 6
DAVID J. MARSHALL .. .. 3	PATRICK I. CHAPMAN .. .. 7
*ALAN A. PAUL .. .. 4	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

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

FRINDSBURY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., April 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF 5088 CORNWALL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

EDWIN G. JENNER .. .. Treble	ALEC W. FRY .. .. 5
*CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. 2	MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 6
CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 7
ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. 4	TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. Tenor

Composed by P. G. K. DAVIES, Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.

\* 350th peal for the Association. First in the method by all the band.

STONEY STANTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Hinckley District.)

On Fri., April 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. in F sharp.

Middleton's	*CHRISTOPHER M. STURGESS .. Treble	ALFRED BALLARD .. .. 5
	CHRISTINE J. STRATFORD .. .. 2	*JOHN WATKINS .. .. 6
	BRIAN L. BURROWS .. .. 3	JOHN VERNON .. .. 7
	*K. PAUL GILLIVER .. .. 4	MICHAEL E. BROWN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

\* First peal on eight, and first of Surprise Major.

BITTERNE PARK, SOUTHAMPTON.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION.

A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb. in G sharp.

*KAY HOLLINGSWORTH .. Treble	ARTHUR W. G. BUTLER .. .. 5
*STEPHEN KIRBY .. .. 2	MAURICE J. BUTLER .. .. 6
MARGARET E. CHAPMAN .. .. 3	MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. .. 7
TOM CHAPMAN .. .. 4	DAVID J. FORDER .. .. Tenor

Composed by TOM CHAPMAN.

Conducted by DAVID J. FORDER.

\* First peal.

CAMBRIDGE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW-THE-GREAT.

A PEAL OF 5088 GRANTCHESTER SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in G.

JOHN A. HARRISON .. .. Treble	J. RICHARD HOUGH .. .. 5
CLAIRE DILLAMORE .. .. 2	VIVIAN NUTTON .. .. 6
HADLEY HUNTER .. .. 3	CHRISTOPHER H. ROGERS .. 7
KENNETH J. DARVILL .. .. 4	ANDREW S. HUDSON .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ANDREW S. HUDSON.

First peal in the method (H. &amp; M. Collection, No. 3,544).



COSELEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.  
On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,  
At CHRIST CHURCH.

# A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 5 lb. in G.

F. HECTOR BENNETT .. .. Treble	*WILLIAM A. BLAKE .. .. 5
J. DENNIS HOLDEN .. .. 2	†MICHAEL W. FAIRBY .. .. 6
RODRICK J. LEES .. .. 3	RICHARD J. WARRILLOW .. .. 7
ERIC E. SPEAKE .. .. 4	DEREK P. JONES .. .. Tenor

Composed by FREDK. DENCH.

Conducted by DEREK P. JONES.

\* First peal in the method. † First of Major in the method.

DORCHESTER, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

At THE ABBEY CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

# A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Pritchard's.	Tenor 15½ cwt.
ANGELA M. AYRES .. .. Treble	*MIKE C. E. HODGE .. .. 5
ANDREW HOWES .. .. 2	ANDREW J. JOHNSON .. .. 6
BARBARA M. BUTLER .. .. 3	JOHN PLADDYS .. .. 7
ROGER M. HEYWORTH .. .. 4	FRANK ABSOLOM .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN PLADDYS.

\* First peal on eight bells.

FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

# A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

LESLIE G. BRETT .. .. Treble	FRANK RUFFLES .. .. 5
MURIEL R. PAGE .. .. 2	WALTER RUFFLES .. .. 6
DIANA M. PIPE .. .. 3	WALTER W. MILLER .. .. 7
HAROLD LEATHER .. .. 4	WILLIAM J. BUTTON .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER.

Conducted by LESLIE G. BRETT.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam Llewellyn ('Chum') Allum, a former member of this company. Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

GODMANCHESTER, HUNTINGDONSHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

# A PEAL OF 5056 GODMANCHESTER SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in E flat.

JOHN G. GIPSON .. .. Treble	DONALD F. MURFET .. .. 5
GEOFFREY PEARSON .. .. 2	KENNETH J. HESKETH .. .. 6
C. MARTIN PRESS .. .. 3	GEOFFREY A. LUCAS .. .. 7
ALAN M. BARBER .. .. 4	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. TIMBRELL.

Conducted by GEORGE E. THODAY.

First peal in the method.

HODNET, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE.

# A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 24 lb.

*E. MARION KEY .. .. Treble	EDWARD V. RODENHURST .. .. 5
PETER MORRIS .. .. 2	FREDERICK PRICE .. .. 6
*RICHARD E. MORRIS .. .. 3	IAN FRIEND .. .. 7
GEORGE MORRALL .. .. 4	BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by PETER MORRIS.

\* 25th peal together. Ringer of sixth has now 'circled the tower' to peals. First of Major as conductor.

KNEBWORTH, HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY-THE-VIRGIN AND THOMAS-A-BECKET.

# A PEAL OF 5120 BIRSTALL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt.

G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. Treble	ALICK CUTLER .. .. 5
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 2	JACK S. DEAR .. .. 6
VERNON GREEN .. .. 3	EDWIN G. BUCK .. .. 7
J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

Conducted by G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY.

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

KIDSGROVE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS.

# A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

*ALAN BARLOW .. .. Treble	†CHRISTINE BIRKS .. .. 5
NORMAN SHERRATT .. .. 2	HARRY WINDSOR .. .. 6
HAROLD DOWLER .. .. 3	ROY WORRALL .. .. 7
WALTER SHERRATT .. .. 4	DENNIS LATHAM .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES.

Conducted by NORMAN SHERRATT.

\* First peal. † First of Major. Tenor 11 cwt. 4 lb.

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PUTNEY, LONDON, S.W.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

# A PEAL OF 5024 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in F.

E. JANE SIBSON .. .. Treble	*KENNETH NEWMAN .. .. 5
*DOREEN A. DEVERELL .. 2	NICHOLAS J. DAVIES .. .. 6
*ANDREW J. STRATHDÉE .. 3	DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 7
STANLEY G. PONTING .. 4	DENNIS BERESFORD .. .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES TOPP.

Conducted by DENNIS BERESFORD.

\* First peal in the method.

TARLETON LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

AND

THE ANTIEN FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF ENGLAND.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

# A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Sir A. P. Heywood's variation.

Tenor 13½ cwt. in F.

W. BRO. D. VINCENT, P.M., De Sala Lodge 5657 (Cheshire) .. Treble	
W. BRO. J. W. HORNER, P.Pr.A.G.D.C., P.M., Norley Lodge	
7319 (West Lances) .. .. 2	
W. Bro. N. Heaps, P.M., Lodge of Unity 613 (West Lances) ..	3
W. Bro. E. ASHCROFT, P.M., Latham Abbey Lodge 6286	
(West Lances) .. .. 4	
*W. BRO. A. P. SANDFORD, P.M., Adestes Fideles Lodge 7425	
(West Lances) .. .. 5	
W. BRO. E. C. BIRKETT, P.Pr.A.G.D.C., P.M., Thermopylae	
Lodge 4386 (Cheshire) .. .. 6	
W. BRO. T. R. BUTLER, P.M., Minerva Lodge 4002 (West Lances) ..	7
†W. BRO. T. J. BRETHERTON, P.M., St. Michael's Lodge, 5756	
(West Lances) Tenor	

Conducted by W. BRO. T. R. BUTLER.

\* First peal of Stedman 'inside.' † First peal ever rung by a band of Masonic Past Masters.

Rung in honour of the consecration of the Tarleton Lodge 7871, of which the Rector of Tarleton, Bro. Rev. W. Riley, is a founder, W. Bro. Ashcroft is organist and chief ringer at the church.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

# A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 lb. in F sharp.

REGINALD E. LAMBERT .. Treble	ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. 5
*THOMAS E. SONE .. .. 2	ERNEST J. LADD .. .. 6
CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. .. 7
TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. 4	F. EDGAR DARBY .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.

\* 300th peal of Surprise. First in the method on the bells.

For the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare's birth.

WITHYHAM, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., April 28, 1964, in 3 Hours,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

# A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt.

FRANK I. HAIRS .. .. Treble	WALTER H. DOBBIE .. .. 5
SHEILA M. DOBBIE .. .. 2	ERNEST J. LADD .. .. 6
ANN JENNER .. .. 3	STANLEY JENNER .. .. 7
EDWIN A. BARNETT .. .. 4	PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by E. A. BARNETT.

A compliment to Jean F. Barnett, daughter of the conductor and grand-daughter of the treble ringer, on her 21st birthday.

GALLEYWOOD, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., April 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

# A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14½ cwt.

M. JANE FOSTER .. .. Treble	DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. .. 5
*PETER M. WILKINSON .. 2	DAVID E. BELCHAM .. .. 6
FRANK V. GANT .. .. 3	MICHAEL J. HALLETT .. .. 7
IAN R. PANTON .. .. 4	ALFRED J. HOUSE .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE.

Conducted by ALFRED J. HOUSE.

\* 50th peal. First on the bells since rehanging.

SPROTBOROUGH, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., April 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

# A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8½ cwt.

ERNEST SHORT .. .. Treble	MRS. H. B. SCHOFIELD .. .. 5
J. HENRY FIELDEN .. .. 2	HAROLD B. SCHOFIELD .. .. 6
BARRY SULLIVAN .. .. 3	W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. .. 7
IRIS LEMARE .. .. 4	IAN M. HOLLAND .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. IVIN.

Conducted by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

Rung to mark the 50th anniversary of the formation of the Sheffield Diocese.



## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 13½ cwt. in G.

*PETER LOUTH .. .. Treble	†PETER LAIN .. .. 4
DINAH M. BLOW .. .. 2	*PETER FENNEY .. .. 5
†LINDA E. F. JONES .. .. 3	C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. † First in three methods 'inside.'  
‡ First peal. § 25th peal.

HAMMERWOOD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., April 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN.

## A PEAL OF 5040 ST. SIMON'S DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (four callings). Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in B flat.

JACK LEPPARD .. .. Treble	JOHN A. HOWARD .. .. 3
C. JANE SMART .. .. 2	ERNEST J. LADD .. .. 4
FRANK H. HICKS .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by FRANK H. HICKS.

First peal of St. Simon's Doubles by all the band, in the county, and by the Association.

MILTON, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BLAISE.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 9½ cwt. in A flat.

*JANE CARRUTHERS .. .. Treble	DAVID PIMM .. .. 4
BARBARA BUTLER .. .. 2	*MICHAEL HODGE .. .. 5
HELEN HOWES .. .. 3	ANDREW HOWES .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ANDREW HOWES.

\* First peal.

SEDLSCOMBE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST.

## A PEAL OF 5040 REVERSE CANTERBURY PLEASURE BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents. Tenor 10 cwt. in G.

*JUDY M. BOWEN .. .. Treble	*JANET M. PERCY .. .. 3
†ANN HARRIS .. .. 2	THOS. M. BARLOW .. .. 4
IAN V. J. SMITH .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by IAN V. J. SMITH.

\* First peal of Doubles. † First of Doubles 'inside.' First in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

STAVERTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents in 23 methods, viz.: (1) Lightfoot, Stamford, Rossendale and Wearmouth; (2) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull, Primrose and Bourne; (3) Surfleet, Hexham, Durham, York, Berwick and Beverley; (4) Chester, Newcastle, Alnwick and Munden; (5) London, Wells and Cuneastre; (6) Cambridge and Ipswich, (7) Beverley and Surfleet; with 98 changes of method.

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb. in G.

RONALD RUSSELL .. .. Treble	*ALAN A. PAUL .. .. 4
GRAHAM C. PAUL .. .. 2	CHARLES E. TRUMAN .. .. 5
*ROGER W. SMITH .. .. 3	JAMES LINNELL .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES E. TRUMAN.

\* 50th peal together. First of 23-Spliced Surprise for all the band.

ECKINGTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., April 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being extents in seven variations of calling, with no 6-5's at backstroke. Tenor 19½ cwt. in E.

*RONALD M. LOXLEY (14) Treble	ARTHUR C. BERRY .. .. 4
ANTHONY P. WHITE .. .. 2	JOHN E. WHITTALL .. .. 5
JAMES ATTWOOD, JUN. .. .. 3	PAUL CATTERMOLLE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PAUL CATTERMOLLE.

\* First peal attempt.

A compliment to J. E. Whittall for his birthday.

DUNKERTON, BATH, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., April 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 12 methods/variations, being three extents each of Stedman, Winchendon Place, St. Nicholas', Reverse Canterbury, Union and April Day, and four each of Old, Plain Bob, St. Simon's, St. Martin's, Reverse St. Bartholomew and Grandsire. Tenor 5 cwt. 18 lb. in C.

LESLIE R. G. TAYLOR .. Treble	DAVID J. BARNETT .. .. 4
HAROLD L. PARFREY .. .. 2	ALAN F. LEE .. .. 5
GEORGE J. HAWKINS .. .. 3	ALBERT F. BUTT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE J. HAWKINS.

First peal in 12 methods/variations by all the band.

COLCHESTER, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., April 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, SHRUB END.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven 720's in nine methods: (1) Double Court Bob, (2) Norwich Surprise, (3) Ipswich Surprise, (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) St. Clement's and Double Oxford Bob, (6) Kent and Oxford T.B., (7) Plain Bob. EDWARD E. DAVEY .. Treble HARRY J. MILLATT .. .. 4

ALAN R. ANDREWS .. .. 2 FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 5

NEIL V. AVIS .. .. 3 JAMES L. TOWLER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

Rung to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the enthronement of the first bishop of Chelmsford; also as a farewell to Rev. L. Reading (Vicar).

CROFTON, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., April 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. in F.

*MALCOLM JOWETT .. Treble	GEORGE HANCOCK .. .. 4
CATHERINE SLATER .. .. 2	R. GORDON CORBY .. .. 5
IRIS LEMARE .. .. 3	WILFRID F. MORETON .. Tenor

Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.

\* First peal.

STOKE-ON-TERN, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Thurs., April 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (15 callings). Tenor 8 cwt.

*E. M. KEY .. .. Treble	ERIC YOUNG .. .. 4
BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. 2	ROGER L. HAWKSWORTH .. 5
†DAVID R. HAWKSWORTH .. 3	WILLIAM WATKIN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

\* 150th peal, all rung with ringer of second. † First in the method.

ACCRINGTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., April 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents. Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.

*MICHAEL BELL .. .. Treble	ANTHONY J. HELLIWELL .. 4
JUDITH P. WINTERBOTTOM .. 2	ROGER LEIGH .. .. 5
†ROBERT ARMSTRONG .. .. 3	†RICHARD J. PARKER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ANTHONY HELLIWELL.

\* First peal on the treble. † First of Doubles 'inside.' ‡ First on a covering tenor.

BIRLINGHAM, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES-THE-GREAT.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being three extents each of St. Osmund, St. Remigius, St. Simon and St. Nicholas, and six each of St. Martin, Winchendon Place, Grandsire, Plain Bob and Reverse Canterbury. Tenor 14 cwt. in F sharp.

DAVID C. TRENFIELD .. Treble	PAUL CATTERMOLLE .. .. 3
ANTHONY P. WHITE .. .. 2	ARTHUR C. BERRY .. .. 4
JOHN E. WHITTALL .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by PAUL CATTERMOLLE.

First peal on the bells, a ring of five since 1685.

Rung for the Feast of St. George; also a compliment on their silver wedding to Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Lewis, of Worcester.

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## CHERITON, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB AND GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

*ANNE BARBER .. .. Treble	*VIVIANNE M. DYE .. .. 4
†ELIZABETH A. TODD .. .. 2	†JANE M. HOUGH .. .. 5
*RACHEL J. SINDEN .. .. 3	*JANICE C. SAUNDERS .. Tenor

Jointly Conducted by JANE M. HOUGH and ANNE BARBER.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.' Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb.

## GREAT BROMLEY, ESSEX.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in seven methods: (1) Double Court, (2) Cambridge Surprise, (3) Double Oxford, (4) St. Clement's, (5) Kent Treble Bob, (6) Oxford Treble Bob, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN H. GOULD .. .. Treble	NEVILLE F. WHITTELL .. 4
*KEITH W. WHITTELL .. 2	EDWARD E. DAVEY .. .. 5
ALAN R. ANDREWS .. .. 3	RONALD W. STEWARD .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN R. ANDREWS.

\* 200th peal.

## HEMINGBROUGH, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being an extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb.

B. JOAN HINGLEY .. .. Treble	LESLIE M. WOODHEAD .. 4
JOHN POTTS .. .. .. 2	ALAN SHEPPARD .. .. 5
G. FREDERICK TERRY .. 3	J. MARTIN THORLEY .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN SHEPPARD.

## NEW BUCKENHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In four methods, being one 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Court and Kent T.B., and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

DANIEL PHILLIPPS .. .. Treble	*ROY E. CULLINGTON .. 4
WILFRED G. SAUNDERS .. 2	FRANK C. J. ARNOLD .. 5
JOHN R. SMITH .. .. . 3	DEREK W. PARDON .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. SMITH.

\* First peal in four methods.

## NORTON DISNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 8 cwt. 27 lb. in B flat.

*JANE DOWSE .. .. . Treble	*GEORGE A. DAWSON .. 4
MARGARET E. CHILTON .. 2	MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 5
†RUTH BLACKSHAW .. .. 3	JOHN R. PRATCHETT .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. PRATCHETT.

\* First peal of Minor. † 50th peal.

## OADBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 15 lb.

FRANK HASLUM .. .. . Treble	BRIAN C. LAW .. .. . 4
MICHAEL W. BROWN .. .. 2	S. JOHN HAINES .. .. 5
MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. .. 3	A. JAMES POYNOR .. Tenor

Conducted by A. JAMES POYNOR.

Rung to commence the celebrations for the golden jubilee of the Council.

## ORWELL, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (four callings). Tenor 11 cwt. 7 lb. in F sharp.

LEONARD B. JEFFERIES .. Treble	GEORGE E. BONHAM .. .. 3
BRIAN HORRELL .. .. . 2	TERRY R. HATCHETT .. .. 4
ANDREW C. D. MAYES .. Tenor	

Conducted by TERRY R. HATCHETT.

First peal as conductor.

## RIPPLE, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 14 methods, viz.: Three extents each of Wychbold Pl., Clifford's Pl., Little Aston, Reverse Canterbury Pl., Southrepps, Dedworth, April Day, Seighford, Kennington, Plain Bob, Northrepps, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Newborough and Grandsire. Tenor 13 cwt.

JOSEPH LAWRENCE .. .. Treble	CHARLES HAYTINGS .. .. 4
MARTYN HAWKES .. .. . 2	JOHN CLEMENTS .. .. 5
FRANK LAWRENCE .. .. . 3	*JOHN MEAD .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by MARTYN HAWKES.

\* First peal. Western Branch quarterly peal.

## TOTTENHAM, N., MIDDLESEX.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION &amp; LONDON DIO. GUILD.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANN, STAMFORD HILL.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, St. Clement's College Bob and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in A.

JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM Treble	BRYAN C. BURROUGH .. 4
*AIDEN ST. J. N. BOYACK .. 2	WILFRID G. WILSON .. 5
ANTHONY H. SMITH .. .. 3	†BERNARD E. MATTHEWS Tenor

Conducted by BERNARD E. MATTHEWS.

\* First peal on six bells. † 100th peal, and 25th as conductor.

A birthday compliment to Roger Powell and Tony Smith.

## STAUNTON-ON-WYE, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE UNIVERSITY OF WALES SOCIETY.

(Aberystwyth Branch.)

On Sun., April 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 10 cwt.

*H. LYNDON HATFIELD .. Treble	†GWEN STORER .. .. 4
*KATHERINE S. MAYLOTT .. 2	W. GWYN THOMAS .. .. 5
GILLIAN E. GRANEY .. .. 3	COLIN A. LEWIS .. Tenor

Conducted by COLIN A. LEWIS.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.'

## GREAT BARRINGTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., April 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being two extents each of Netherseale and Bourne and three of Cambridge. Tenor 8 cwt.

BERTRAM J. COGGINS .. Treble	PETER PEARCE .. .. . 4
FREDERICK W. SODEN .. .. 2	D. KAY ADKINS .. .. 5
BRIAN W. HALL .. .. . 3	THOMAS W. TIMMS .. Tenor

Conducted by D. KAY ADKINS.

## NORTH MUSKHAM, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., May 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 14 extents April Day, two Plain Bob and 26 Grandsire.

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

CLARENCE F. BRIGGS .. Treble	†MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 4
*F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER .. 2	*MARGARET E. CHILTON .. 5
†RUTH BLACKSHAW .. .. 3	CHARLES J. COPP .. Tenor

Conducted by MARGARET E. CHILTON.

\* 25th peal together. † 50th peal together. ‡ 50th peal.

Rung in honour of the birth of a daughter to H.R.H. Princess Margaret.

## ALBURY, SURREY.

## THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents. Tenor 16½ cwt. in F.

*JULIE NURSEY .. .. . Treble	†CHARLES H. BAILEY .. 4
†JAMES G. ETHERINGTON .. 2	HERBERT G. ARTHUR .. 5
*PETER MEPHAM .. .. . 3	*BASIL TEBENHAM .. Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT G. ARTHUR.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.'

Rung by the local band.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## BUSHEY, HERTFORDSHIRE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., April 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes.

AT 5, MOAT CLOSE.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 14 methods, comprising 640 of Bristol, 480 each of London and Rutland, and 320 each of Cambridge, Ealing, Eastcote, Elford, Lincolnshire, Lindum, Pudsey, Superlative, Watford, Wembley and Yorkshire; with 144 changes of method. Tenor size 15 in C.

S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN 1—2	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 5—6
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY 3—4	ROGER BALDWIN .. .. 7—8

Composed and Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

## HARROW, MIDDLESEX.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD

On Fri., April 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes.

AT 170, HEADSTONE LANE.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In nine methods, comprising 1,120 each of London and Rutland, 640 each of Bristol and Eastcote, and 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire; with 129 changes of method. Tenor size 15 in C.

*THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 1—2	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 5—6
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY 3—4	*FRANK C. PRICE .. .. 7—8

Composed and Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of Spliced Surprise Major in nine methods on handbells.



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### BIRTHS

GIBSON.—On Sunday, April 19th, 1964, at Cliveden Hospital, Taplow, Bucks, a daughter, Heidi Caroline, to Pearl (née Andrews) and Stewart, of 112A, Grenfell Road, Maidenhead, Berkshire. 4663

PARRY.—To Eveline (née Robinson) and Peter, a son (Andrew Peter), a brother for Philip, on April 20th, 1964, at home. 4653

### ENGAGEMENT

CROUCH—DRURY.—The engagement is announced between Stanley, only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Crouch, of Tolworth, and Pauline, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Drury, of Horsell. 4666

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

LEWIS.—As from May 19th the address of Miss Margaret Lewis will be 10, Sand Hill Court, Farnborough, Hants. 4667

### PERSONAL

MEW, CHRISTOPHER F.—Will all ringing friends please not my home telephone number is now PUTNEY 0733. 4665

YOUR PRAYERS are asked for those to be ordained at this time, especially for Graham Robert Lock, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lock, North Myms, to be made deacon in Rochester Cathedral on Trinity Sunday, May 24th, and to serve in the parish of St. Peter, Bexleyheath. 4672

'And thou shalt not appear before the Lord thy God empty: every man shall give as he is able according to the blessing of the Lord thy God which he has given thee.' (Deuteronomy xvi. 17.)

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### MISCELLANEOUS

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Surprise Royal practice at St. Nicolas', Guildford, on Tuesday, June 2nd, from 7.30 to 9 p.m. Cambridge, Yorkshire and London No. 3. All welcome. 4678

OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.—At an extraordinary general meeting of the Society, alterations to Rules 3, 8 and 10 will be proposed. 4682

WESTON-SUPER-MARE.—Visitors to the area will be welcome at St. John's Parish Church. Ringing times: Sundays, 10.20 a.m. and 5.45 p.m.; practice, Wednesdays, 7.30 p.m.—D. J. Gay, 23, St. David's Close, Worlebury. 4664

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### MEETINGS

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cambridge District.—Meeting at West Wrattling (5) on Saturday, May 16th. Please note change of date. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—B. D. Threlfall, Dis. Sec. 4625

HAWKTHURST GUILD.—Meeting, Sedlescombe, Saturday, May 16th. Bells 3 p.m. Please make own tea arrangements.—E. A. Fellows. 4640

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—May 16th, Essendon. Bells (6) 3 p.m. No service. Own tea arrangements. S.M.: St. Nicholas.—M. A. Coburn, Dis. Sec. 4629

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Practice on May 16th. Ringing at Harlington from 3 p.m. Tea at 5. Ringing at Harmondsworth from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. L. Grice, 15, Burnham Gardens, Harlington.—F. T. B. 4635

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Southern Branch.—Evening practice meeting at Winfarthing on Saturday, May 16th. Bells (6) 6.30 to 9 p.m.—C. F. W. Philippo, Hon. Sec. 4643

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.—Practice meeting, Buxted (8), Saturday, May 16th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names for tea, please, to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierpoint. 4632

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Annual meeting, Penistone, May 16th. Bells (8) from 3. Also available Cawthorne (6) 2.30-4. Hoylandswaine (6) 7-9. Tea will be provided only to those who notify Mr. A. Champion, 32, Church View Road, Penistone. New reports will be available. All welcome.—J. J. L. Gilbert, 10, Pye Bank Close, Sheffield, 3. 4630

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting, Walpole, St. Andrew, Whit Monday (May 18th). Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 4648

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—The 85th A.G.M. will be held on Whit Monday, May 18th, at Chelmsford. Service, conducted by the Provost, at 11 a.m. Address by the Right Rev. T. Steward Smith, Assistant Bishop. Annual meeting immediately after service in Chapter House. Coffee, etc. available in Cathedral Hall from 10.15-10.45 a.m. Lunch 1.30 p.m., cost 5s. 6d. Tea, as a running buffet, from 5-6.15 p.m., cost 2s. 6d. Ringing: Cathedral (12), 9.30-10.45 a.m. and from 4-8 p.m. From 3-6 p.m.: Great Waltham, Boreham, Broomfield, Little Waltham, Little Baddow: from 6-9 p.m.: Great Baddow, Writtle, Galleywood, Springfield. Lunch and tea cannot be guaranteed without tickets, obtainable from Gen. Sec., s.a.e. with remittance, please.—F. V. Gant, 3, Central Drive, Hornechurch. 4595

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Combined practice at Seale, Whit Monday (May 18th), 6 to 9 p.m. 4679

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—Meeting, Caddington, Saturday, May 23rd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea must be sent to Mrs. A. Baldwin, 83, Dunstable Road, Caddington, near Luton, not later than 21st. Positively no name no tea. Frequent bus service from Park Street, Luton.—K. G. S. 4668

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Grappenhall Branch.—A meeting will be held at Frodsham on Saturday, May 23rd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—C. Raddon. 4655

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Coventry Archdeaconry District.—Meeting on Saturday, May 23rd. Exhall bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Bedworth bells (8) from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. D. Harrison, 185, Wheelwright Lane, Exhall, near Coventry. 4657

DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Meeting, Brancepeth, Saturday, May 23rd. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Tea situation unknown yet. Ring Aycliffe 2240 before Wednesday, 20th. 4680

GUILD OF MEDICAL RINGERS.—Saturday, May 23rd: Elstree, 3.15-4.15; Bushey, 4.30-5.40; Watford, 6.30-7.30. Dinner 8 p.m., Red Lion, Radlett. Names to D. L. Gullick, 13, Weston Road, Stevenage. 4662

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hereford District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Wellington on Saturday, May 23rd. Bells (6) from 3 to 4 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Meeting to follow. Bells available after tea till 8.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, by May 20th to Mr. R. G. Powell, 9, Green Lane, Kingstone, Hereford.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—Competition at Pendlebury, May 23rd. Bells (8) 2 and after tea, also Swinton (8) 2-5.30. Competition 3.30. Tea 5.30. Names to Mr. A. Lomas, 47, Normanby Street, Swinton, not later than previous Wednesday. Everyone welcome.—Neil Bennett, Secretary. 4641

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—Meeting at Walkden, Saturday, May 23rd. Bells 3 p.m. Cups of tea only at 5 p.m. Business after tea. Branch members must attend.—Thornley, Sec. 4681

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hinckley District.—Meeting, Claybrooke Magna, Saturday, May 23rd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in the Village Hall, Ullesthorpe, at 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. C. Clarke, 23, Goodacre Road, Ullesthorpe, near Rugby, by the Wednesday previous.—M. Vernon, Dis. Sec. 4677

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Market Harborough District.—Meeting, Great Easton, Saturday, May 23rd. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for outing on June 13th by this day, please.—L. W. Allen. 4676

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Melton District.—Meeting at Long Clawson on May 23rd. Bells (5) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in hall 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. Tinsley, Chapel Street, Long Clawson, Melton Mowbray, by May 21st.—M. Stimson, Dis. Sec. 4660

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Syston District.—Annual dinner at Birstall, May 23rd. 6.30 p.m. Tickets 8s. each from Hon. Sec. Come and enjoy a good night out.—R. R. Brown, Hon. Sec., 34, Swithland Lane, Rothley. 4675

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—Interim meeting at Wiveton (6), Saturday, May 23rd. Bells from 2.30. Service 4.15. Names for tea to Mr. W. R. West, Southfield, Norwich Road, Holt, Norfolk, as early as possible.—C. Bird, Hon. Sec. 4638

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chipping Norton Branch.—Annual meeting Burford, Saturday, May 23rd. Bells 3. Service 4. Tea 5. Numbers for teas by previous Tuesday, Ringing Shipton under Wychwood 7. 4624

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Saturday, May 23rd. Ringing at Winkfield, 3.15 to 4.45 p.m. Old Windsor, 6 to 9 p.m.—Miss Hague, 6, Stompits Road, Holyport, Maidenhead. 4659

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Salisbury Branch.—May 23rd practice meeting, Wilton. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names by Tuesday, 19th, to G. A. Trimby, 24, West Street, Wilton. 4652

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wimborne Branch.—Practice meeting on May 23rd. Ringing Gussage St. Michael (6) 3 and 6.30-8.30 p.m. Service 5. Gussage All Saints (5) 6.30-8.30 p.m. Names for tea by May 21st to Rev. S. J. T. Buffrey, Gussage St. Michael, Wimborne. 4661

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bingham District.—Meeting at Granby, May 23rd (District round Crawford Cup contest). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to W. L. Exton, 'St. Owen's', Whatton.—R. Blackshaw, Sec. 4671

SUFFOLK GUILD.—S.W. District.—Meeting Clare, May 23rd. Bells (8) 3. Service 4.30. Names to Mr. S. J. Twitchett, 7, Station Road, Clare, Sudbury, Suffolk. 4590



**SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division. —Quarterly meeting at All Saints', Hastings (please note), on May 23rd. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Further ringing till 8. Names for tea, please, to I. Smith (Sec.). 37, Wellington Gardens, Battle. 4634

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District. —Meeting at Stone-in-Oxney. Saturday. May 30th. Bells (6. 13 cwt.) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. A. Daw. 'Craigerne,' Stone-in-Oxney, near Tenterden. not later than Wednesday. May 27th.—C. T. H. 4636

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Central District. —Meeting at Elstree. May 30th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. followed by tea and business. South Mimms bells 6.30 to 8 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. T. J. Lock, 57, Holloways Lane, North Mymms, Hatfield. Tel. Hatfield 2866. 4673

**NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting at Barmouth, Saturday, May 30th. Bells available 2. Service 3.30, followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea by May 23rd, please, to W. Cathrall, 19, Cunliffe Walk, Garden Village, Wrexham. 4615

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch. —Quarterly meeting at Caston, on Saturday, May 30th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by the business meeting. Names for tea to C. Banham, Bridge Cottage, Caston, Attleborough. 4683

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northampton Branch. —Meeting at Cogenhoe. Saturday, May 30th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to B. E. Frost, 40, Foxgrove Avenue, Northampton. 4601

**DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Northern and Western Districts. —Combined meeting at Allendale. June 6th. Bells 3-7.30 p.m. Bus leaves Bewick Street, Newcastle. 1 p.m., picking up at Whickham, Consett and Lanchester. Names as soon as possible to H. P. Thompson, 3, Hallgorth Terrace, Lanchester, Durham. 4654

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to F. G. Beddow, 7, Judith Butts  
Gardens, Monkmoor, Shrewsbury. 4670

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual festival will be held in Oxford on Saturday, June 27th. 9.45 a.m. Corporate Communion; 11 a.m. Festival Service at Christ Church Cathedral; 12 noon annual meeting in the Chapter House; 1.30 p.m. luncheon in the Dining Hall. Ringing arrangements as on agenda. Luncheon tickets (7s. each) from Mr. A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Church Lane, Wexham, Slough, Bucks. Names, together with remittance, by Tuesday, June 23rd.—Marie R. Cross. Hon. Gen. Sec. 4541

**LATE NOTICES**

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting Brockworth on May 23rd. 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Meeting following. Names for tea to Mr. A. Crawley, 82, Avon Crescent, Brockworth, Glos, before May 20th, essential. 4685

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Farnham District. —Striking competition at Ash, May 23rd, at 3 p.m. Normal practice in evening. Numbers for tea to Mr. C. Champion, 62, Wentworth Crescent, Ash Vale, Aldershot. 4686

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Mansfield District. —Meeting. Sat. May 23rd. Edwinstowe (6). District cup contest, 6 p.m. prompt. Tea 5 p.m. for those notifying Mrs. R. Woodhead, 12, Church Street, Edwinstowe. Magsfield, by Wednesday previous. Ringing during afternoon at Mansfield Woodhouse (6) 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.—R. J. Beach, Dist. Sec. 4684

**MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY  
GUILD**

The fourth annual dinner of Manchester University Guild was held on March 14th in the New Millgate Hotel, Manchester. Fifty-one members and visitors attended.

After an excellent meal, the toast of the Queen was proposed by the Guild's president, Mr. Brian A. Tomlinson. This was followed by a minute's silence in remembrance of the former president, Mr. Derek Ogden, who died so suddenly last year.

The toast of 'The Church' was proposed by Mr. John C. Baldwin, and ably replied to by Mr. Gordon Benfield. Miss Jean Allen then proposed the toast of 'The Visitors,' and Mr. Roger Shea, of Liverpool University Society, replied.

The toast of 'The Guild' was proposed by Miss Gillian Webb, of Durham University Society, and replied to by the Master, Mr. Edward F. P. Bryant.

In his speech, Mr. Bryant first expressed the Guild's sorrow at the loss of Mr. Derek Ogden. He then gave a brief resumé of the Guild's activities during the year, and concluded by once more appealing to life members to continue their support to the Guild in the coming year.

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**SURREY ASSOCIATION**

The eight bells of Carshalton and the ten of Beddington were available for the annual general meeting of the Surrey Association and a well attended service was held in St. Mary the Virgin's Church, Beddington. A company of 69 attended tea in the Village Hall.

The meeting commenced with the reading of the minutes, followed by comments on the accounts by the treasurer, Mr. G. Marriner received in person a cheque drawn on the Belfry Repair Fund as a contribution towards the cost of repairs at Leatherhead.

There being only one nominee for each of the posts on the General Committee, the officers were elected en bloc. The Master, Mr. A. P. Cannon, thanked Mr. R. A. Parsons, the retiring general secretary, in his absence (caused by business commitments) for his work during the past years and welcomed Mr. W. Parrott as his successor.

An application to transfer some towers from the Northern to the Southern District of the Association caused a lively discussion. A motion that the towers of Ashted, Epsom, Epsom Common and Ranmore Common should be transferred was carried with a reasonable majority.

The meeting was closed by the Master thanking the Vicar, the organist, the ladies for providing the tea, and the officers, and the day ended with further ringing at Beddington until 9 p.m. A. G. C.

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**  
Newark District

A new band has recently been formed at All Saints', Barnby-in-the-Willows, under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Mayer, and all were present at the very successful meeting held there on May 2nd.

The District contest for the Crawford Cup took place in the afternoon, and out of three entries Newark were placed first with 104 faults, closely followed by Sutton A with 119 faults.

Over 40 people enjoyed an excellent tea served in the Church Hall by the local ringers and their mothers, and at the business meeting visitors from the Bingham District and the Lincoln Guild were welcomed. B. N. R.

**BANSTEAD, SURREY.** — On April 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Glanfield 1, G. R. Smerdon 2, Andrea Tilley 3, A. F. Spooner 4, N. Hobden 5, A. E. Cheesman 6, H. N. Pinstow (cond.) 7, G. Huxley 8. A farewell to A. F. Spooner, who is going to Bognor Regis.

**BARKINGSIDE, ESSEX.** — On April 26th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. Faulkner 1, A. St. J. Boyack 2, J. H. Crampion (cond.) 3, K. Warner 4, D. Ellison 5, R. Cousins 6, D. A. Hewitt 7, G. Longdale 8. For Patronal Festival Evensong.

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**BANWELL, SOMERSET.**—On April 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Hebden 1, M. T. Hebden 2, G. Dodson 3, W. S. Rice (cond.) 4, R. W. Rice 5, R. G. Pruett 6, D. J. Westlake 7, C. Horneett (first quarter) 8. Average age of band 18½ years. Rung for the annual District Scout service at Banwell.

**BROAD HINTON, WILTS.**—On April 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Jill Davidge 1, M. Penney 2, G. Wheeler 3, Shirley Little 4, P. Minchin 5, E. Sutton (first in method as cond.) 6. First in method 1 and 4. Rung for christening of George Robert Horton.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—On April 21st, at the Church of St. Mary the Great, 1,080 Cambridge Surprise Royal: H. Muncey 1, C. Muncey 2, R. M. Damerell 3, J. Harrison 4, P. Lawrence 5, E. G. Hibbins (cond.) 6, T. R. Dennis 7, R. Darvill 8, P. Bergdahl 9, H. F. Brown 10. In honour of the Queen's birthday. Rung after meeting short for Stedman Cinques.

**COMPTON MARTIN, SOMERSET.**—On April 21st, 1,260 St. Clement's Bob Minor: G. Talbot 1, J. Brain 2, C. J. Boulbee 3, M. Heymann 4, M. J. Horseman 5, P. Gay (cond.) 6. First in method 1, 3, 4 and 6.

**CROWAN, CORNWALL.**—On April 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Stella G. Rice (first quarter of Triples) 1, Catherine M. Powell 2, Angela M. Wright 3, Angela Grainger (cond.) 4, M. J. Bew (first of Triples 'inside') 5, J. R. Norris 6, I. N. Pett 7, N. J. Wright 8. Rung on tour.

**ELVEDEN, SUFFOLK.**—On April 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Major: G. Reeve 1, D. Reeve 2, R. Rose 3, June Wright 4, M. Rose 5, H. Iwings 6, J. Paul 7, H. Fuller (cond.) 8. For 'Parents' service and complimenting Mr. Arthur Rolfe, a Suffolk ringer, on his 77th birthday.

**HILLINGDON, MDDX.**—On March 15th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: R. A. Fardon 1, Mrs. R. A. Fardon 2, Miss R. Myllys (first quarter) 3, J. Sexton 4, M. Seymour 5, A. R. G. Twinn 6, J. Hill (cond.) 7, G. W. Hill 8. Also on April 19th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: M. J. Palmer 1, A. R. G. Twinn 2, A. M. Stacey 3, A. R. Turley 4, J. Hill (cond.) 5, F. W. Goodfellow 6, W. H. Coles 7, G. W. Hill 8. Both for Evensong.

**REDBOURN, HERTS.**—On May 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss M. Simpson (first of Minor) 1, D. A. Bedford 2, Miss G. Martin (first of Minor) 3, Miss V. Mills (first quarter) 4, K. D. Waples 5, P. W. Harper (cond.) 6.

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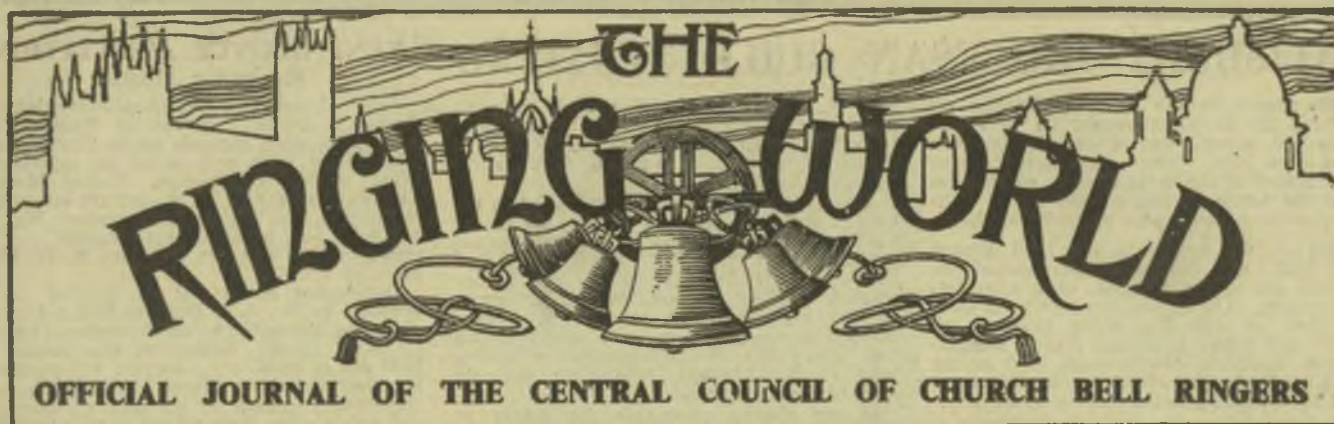
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## LONDON TOWERS REVISITED

By RONALD H. DOVE

OF course, I have visited London since, but my outing on April 11th with ringers from St. Mary's, Putney, my son Barrie, and Paul Field, who had specially come up from Somerset, took me back 36 years.

Those were the days before the covered buses, and in fine weather it was a pleasant ride by a 68 'General,' for a modest shilling or less, leisurely to cruise over hill and dale by a tortuous route from South Croydon to Chalk Farm. For variety there was opportunity to alight at the top of one long, steep hill and walk alongside the bus, which could be rejoined once it had reached the foot in safety.

While enjoying such a scenic trip on a summer's evening I saw nestling in a quiet backwater just off the busy Walworth Road the Georgian tower of St. Peter's, Walworth, whose slender and graceful tower contains, unbelievably, a ring of eight of perhaps three tons weight.

Of the evening service I remember little beyond a very meagre congregation and that before it started the Rector rang some 'quick-fire' rounds and Queens, interspersed with seasonable hymn tunes. With youthful enthusiasm I extorted permission to attempt a peal, but was told I would have to provide my own ropes and ringers. Before I had progressed with my plans, Jim Davis, the originator of the 'Davis silencers,' who lived nearby, told me that he had fitted the bells for chiming and to 'de-clock' them would cause him a lot of work. I abandoned the idea.

Some months ago I revisited the church, and the Rector, Fr. Hinds, willingly allowed me to see the bells and to arrange for a brief trial ring. The bells are a complete ring by Mears, dated 1824—one year later than nearby Waterloo Road. Numbers 1, 2, 4 and 6 are carried above 8, 3, 5 and 7 in a timber frame, which must be seen to be believed for it defies description.

A number of peals have been rung here, and boards record a 5,088 Kent in 1894, conducted by J. E. Davis, and an earlier one of Grandsire Triples in 1840. The

bells had not been rung for a very long time. I have been told the last was for peace in 1919, but I am open to correction.

On April 11th our first call was at St. Barnabas', Pimlico, another supposedly 'unringable' tower, where the insecurely fastened 'Davis silencers' failed to placate the 'anti-bells' living in the neighbourhood. To those who protested, the Vicar, the Rev. John Fox, replied in the 'Evening News': 'People are happy enough to hear the strum, strum, strum and the Yeah, Yeah, Yeah, but they complain when they hear the bells of heaven.'

Then came Walworth, where it was quite an achievement to obtain rounds, and seldom has so much hard work been put in for so brief a ring. Next came Rotherhithe, where the bells hang diagonally in the tower. We followed a touring band from St. Albans at St. Vedast's, thence to Bethnal Green and back once more into dockland. The ten at All Saints', Poplar, require ringing, and I suspect the eight at Cubitt Town went easier than now when the ladies rang their first peal there 50 years ago.

In Kent we found the six at Sidcup a pleasure to handle, and the light five at Foots Cray have a second that won't clapper-up right and gives a double blow in consequence. The most tuneful bells of the day were the 40-year-old Croydon eight at Eltham. Beckingham's light ten induced the day's best ringing, including a touch of Stedman Caters in which the conductor lost his bearings and wondered why the tenor man would not dodge in 6-7 as told! Of these bells, personally I liked them and disagree with the critic who once told me that they were a good eight spoiled.

The day, or rather the night, was rounded off at Addington, where the six are a pleasing combination of new and old. Perhaps it was the previous week's disturbance at Clacton which led an anonymous caller to raise the alarm so that the Putney Dormobile arrived at East Croydon Station simultaneously with the police, who appeared to be looking for someone to run in. I felt I ought not to loiter about too much for, when I come to think of it, I had caused quite a disturbance of the peace in one way or another that day; and what with forgetting to put the clock chimes back at Pimlico, to say nothing of attempting to ring at Walworth, I probably deserve locking-up anyway.



## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD FESTIVAL

FOR ringers in the Salisbury Diocese all road led to Marlborough, on May 9th, where the annual festival of the Diocesan Guild was held. They came from almost every corner of this large diocese, which comprises the whole of Dorset, and all of Wiltshire except a small area around Swindon.

Most of the towers in the local Branch were open, and full use was made of the privilege during the morning, early afternoon and evening. The ancient borough wore quite a festive, air with flags flying from church towers and public buildings, posters welcoming the Guild to Marlborough, and in the background was the added bustle and excitement of a pending Parliamentary by-election.

The annual general meeting was held in the Town Hall, with the Master of the Guild (the Rev. Richard Longridge) presiding. Supporting him were the Mayor of Marlborough (Councillor J. M. Seamer), Mr. W. C. West (general secretary) and Mr. F. Slafford (assistant secretary). Apologies for absence were received from many old friends, including the president, Canon C. C. Cox. It was unanimously agreed to send Canon Cox a message of affection and good wishes. The Mayor, in his welcome, confessed to being a non-ringer, but said that after spending many years abroad, one of the things which delighted him on returning home was the sound of church bells. Of English customs, he thought, anyone in foreign lands missed this the most. A warm welcome was also extended by the chairman of the local Branch (Mr. G. Newman).

In his report for 1963, the honorary secretary announced the resignation of three Branch secretaries, one committee member and one Branch chairman. Miss Y. L. Eloie, of the Salisbury Branch, was in office for 14 years, and is now living at Guildford. Both Mr. J. I. P. Davis, of Wimborne, and Mr. J. T. Barrett, of West Dorset, had been reluctantly compelled to give up owing to other commitments, and Canon H. V. White had relinquished the chairmanship of the Calne Branch after 40 years in office. Mr. R. H. True had resigned as a committee member. A sincere vote of thanks was passed to all and the following were elected in their stead: Mrs. Judith Robertson, Wimborne; Mr. A. Trimby, Salisbury; Mr. J. Davis, West Dorset; and Mr. Barry, Calne. The Master was unanimously re-elected, as was Mr. W. C. West as honorary secretary and treasurer, with Mr. F. Slafford as his assistant.

The financial statement was quite healthy, with a slightly increased balance in hand.

### RINGING, A CHARACTER BUILDER

Capt. J. D. Mansfield-Robinson called attention to the great contribution bellringers could make in enrolling youth in their bands. Bellringing was a team effort of the very first order, he said, and as such was a wonderful builder of character. Capt. Mansfield-Robinson represents both Wilts and Dorset on the governing body of the National Association of Youth Clubs, and was one of those associated with the Outward Bound scheme and the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme. This latter includes campanology as one of its proficiency aims. His appeal was backed by the Rev. Roger Keeley, who is the Marlborough representatives on the Northern Area of the Wilts Association of Youth Clubs.

It was agreed that if possible the next annual festival should be held at Sherborne on May 8th. A short discussion on the possibility of allowing Branch secretaries to retain a larger proportion of the subscriptions for running expenses concluded a most useful meeting.

The Mayor and Mayoress were among the large congregation in St. Mary's Church for the Guild service. Canon F. B. R. Browne (Rector) officiated, and the lesson was read by the Master. During the service a plain course of Grandsire Caters was rung on handbells by H. G. Keeley 1-2, C. W. Powell 3-4, G. S. Morriss 5-6, E. C. Sheppard 7-8,

Rev. R. Keeley 9-10. The choir gave an impressive rendering of the Easter carol 'Good Christian men rejoice and sing,' with Mr. J. W. Pomfret as organist. The address was given by the Rector.

A bountiful high tea was partaken of in the Church Hall by a company of 160: the Mayor was entertained at the top table by the Master, supported by Capt. J. D. Mansfield-Robinson (Branch representative), Rev. R. Keeley (Branch Ringing Master), Mr. G. Newman (Branch chairman) and Mr. T. A. Palmer (Branch secretary). The meal was arranged and served by Mrs. Browne and a willing team of lady helpers, who were sincerely thanked for their services.

In the ringing afterwards the octave at St. Peter's was in great demand, and as the writer wended his 14 miles homeward, most of the towers en route were adding their contribution to what had been a really great and enjoyable day. W. A. E.

## THE SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION

The 32nd annual general meeting of the Scottish Association was held in Edinburgh on May 9th, when there were ringers present from Birmingham, Lancashire and Newcastle, as well as local or semi-permanent residents in Scotland.

Ringling began at 11.30 a.m. at St. James' and later the three other ringable towers in the city were also available. A short service, conducted by the Rev. John Paterson, was held in St. Cuthbert's Memorial Chapel, followed by tea and the business meeting, when 12 new members were elected. Mr. Harry Sargent, of Glasgow, did not wish to stand again as Ringing Master and was thanked for all the work he had done to date for the Association. Mr. Magnus Peterson, of Edinburgh, was elected in his place, the other officials continuing in office for another year.

It is hoped to hold meetings during the coming year at Dundee in the autumn, Alloa in the spring, and Glasgow and Paisley in April.

## ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN COMPETITION

Praise was accorded by Mr. Frederick Sharpe, the adjudicator, at the variety of methods rung at the annual competition at Llandeilo (6). A rope slipping wheel caused one test to be rerung and a broken rope interfered with one team's ringing.

Mr. Sharpe's adjudication was given after an excellent tea, provided by the ladies of Llandeilo, who were thanked by the Master (Major R. Pateman). He said there was little to choose between the teams, and no extra marks were given for more intricate methods. Results: Llanelly 'A' (average age 17), Grandsire, 11 faults; Cardigan, Stedman, 12; Llanbadarn Fawr, Grandsire, 14. Other competitors were Pembroke, Llanelly 'B' and Tenby.

The evening concluded with a recital by Mr. Sharpe and his Launton handbell ringers, who were enthusiastically received.

## REDEDICATION

### Witham-on-the-Hill, Lincs

To mark the rededication of the bells of Witham-on-the-Hill, Lincs, a quarter peal of Surprise Minor (Norwich and Cambridge) was rung on May 9th by W. R. Marsh 1, A. E. Scott 2, F. W. French 3, C. Wade (cond.) 4, C. L. Blanchard 5, H. E. Burrell 6.

The rededication was performed by the Bishop of Grantham. Tea was afterwards provided by the ladies of the Parochial Church Council, and a good company of ringers enjoyed an evening of ringing.

The work was undertaken in 1962 by Messrs. John Taylor and Co and included the recasting of the treble, second, fifth and tenor (13 cwt, 3 qr. 24 lb.). The service was deferred until full payment had been made for the contract.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION Rochester District

Some 45 members and friends attended the Rochester District meeting at Bobbing on April 25th, when methods up to London Surprise Minor were rung under the superintendence of Mr. C. Osenton, Ringing Master. The Vicar (the Rev. G. E. Jessup) conducted the service, and the District secretary, Mr. L. Mitchell, was a last-minute organist. The churchwardens and Mr. and Mrs. B. W. May provided tea.

Outstanding business at the meeting was a proposal by Mr. A. J. Dunk to hold a District dinner at Sittingbourne on September 25th, as the Kent County Association was unable to hold one at Maidstone. Support was promised by most members present. Mr. Dunk was appointed chairman of the dinner committee and within a few hours of the meeting finishing he had made the necessary arrangements—cost 12s. per head.

Mr. George Kenwood was welcomed back after his long illness and members were sorry to learn that Mrs. F. A. Mitchell was ill with influenza. After a comprehensive vote of thanks, proposed by Mr. Dunk, ringing was continued until 9 p.m.

## Lewisham District

Christ Church, Erith, proved a popular tower for the Lewisham District's quarterly meeting on April 25th, which was attended by about 70 members and friends. Ringing was under the leadership of Mr. David Manger, District Ringing Master, and the service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. K. H. Jocelyn). An excellent tea in the Church Hall was followed by a business meeting.

## ESSEX ASSOCIATION

Six teams entered for the N.E. District's striking contest held at Mistley on May 9th. Each team rang practice rounds for two minutes and then rang 240 Minor.

The service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. A. J. Morley), and Mr. Robert Heazel (the Association Master) read the lesson. After tea Miss Hilda Snowden, for the judges, gave her assessment of the afternoon's ringing. She said she had been one of the judges of a previous competition at Mistley two years ago, and the striking had improved considerably since then. The treble was odd-struck and a lot of points had been lost from failure to give open leads. The order of the teams was as follows: Kirby 'A' team 149 faults, Thorington 228, Kirby 'B' 243, Harwich 252, Ardleigh 304. Colchester St. Leonard's disqualified owing to a pile-up.

The winning Kirby team had to ring with one substitute. All teams rang Bob Minor except Thorington, who rang Treble Bob. The two winning teams each contained three ladies.

The District Master, Mr. Frank Lufkin, thanked the judges, Miss Snowden, Mr. Walter Arnold and Mr. Peter Wood, all from the Northern District, and the M.C. Mr. Robert Leavett, of Tollesbury.

## GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

Lamerton bells, near Tavistock, which were rehung last year, were much enjoyed at the spring meeting of the S.W. Branch on May 9th: Rounds, call changes, Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob and Kent were rung. The Vicar (the Rev. Mr. Stenhouse), assisted by Prebendary Andrews, president of the Guild, conducted the service.

The chairman said he knew he was expressing the feelings of all present in saying how much they regretted the fact that their hon. secretary and Ringing Master, Mr. I. G. Myers, was unable to be present, and that on the previous day he had returned to hospital. Everyone wished him a very early and complete recovery. Duties of hon. secretary and Ringing Master were undertaken by the chairman. New members elected were Messrs. Harry Del-Quick and G. Hill (Lamerton), Mrs. J. Southwood (Plympton) and the Rev. G. Ruming.

Votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar, the organist, Miss Hayman, Messrs. Cundy, Barrabal and Solely and the other local ringers, and Mrs. Stenhouse, Mrs. Barrabal and helpers for an excellent tea. H. H. T.



## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION

THE annual meeting of the Gloucester and Bristol Association was held in the Church Room at Stroud on April 25th and was very well attended, there being about 160 members present from most parts of the Association area.

The Rev. F. F. Rigby, Master, opened with prayer, using the Collect for the Fourth Sunday after Easter. Apologies were presented on behalf of a number of members unavoidably absent.

The reports showed a lower number of members (787—131 juniors, 656 seniors) but an increase in the finances, and that 117 peals had been rung during 1963 for the Association with no less than 43 first peals in various methods, including the record multi-Minor peals on tower- and handbells.

All of the officers were re-elected for another term of office and thanked for their services. Mr. J. Whiting, of Gloucester, was made an adviser in place of Mr. R. Dowdeswell, who did not seek re-election, for the Gloucester and Cheltenham areas: Mr. E. F. Hancock and Mr. R. E. G. Luton will continue for Bristol and Swindon.

Mrs. E. Hobbs, Mrs. E. Sutton, Canon Lister, Mr. H. Cuff and Mr. L. Hewitt were made honorary life members for their services to their towers and the Association. The next annual meeting is to be at Berkeley on April 24th, 1965, by invitation of the Wotton Branch.

### NO CHANGE IN REPORTS

After considerable discussion, a proposal to print the peal section of future reports in tabular form was defeated, and the officials were instructed to make no drastic changes to the style of the report.

At tea in the Premier Rooms the Bishop of Gloucester was welcomed by the Master, who thanked him for sparing the time to come and preach at the service.

In his reply Dr. Guy said that he knew a little about ringing, being just about able to control a bell, and he asked the officers a number of questions about change ringing, as he had come from a part where only call changes were rung. The Bishop was also very surprised to learn that there were rings of bells in places other than churches. At the service he said how very pleased he was to be one of the presidents, and took for his text, 'O God, make them perfect in every good thing to do Thy will.'

During the service Messrs. G. Land, B. Bladon and T. Peake rang a plain course of Oxford Treble Bob on handbells between the lesson and Magnificat. A collection amounting to £10 8s 3d. was given to the church to be used mainly for material to keep birds out of the tower. Most towers in the Stroud Branch were open during the day, and good use was made of the bells; a wedding at Stonehouse caused some delay in starting there.

Visitors present at the meeting came from Harrow, Middlesex, Prittwell, Essex, and Sandbach, Cheshire.

### Peals at Bassaleg, Mon.

Dear Sir.—In connection with the footnote to the peal rung at Bassaleg on April 10th, I would point out that the first peal on these bells, one of Plain Bob Minor, was rung on March 18th, 1933, conducted by the late George Popnell.—Yours faithfully,

DONALD G. CLIFT.

Whitchurch, Cardiff.

Note. — Mr. M. J. Pryor also sends his apologies, the error being due to incorrect information.—Ed.

## 17th CENTURY BELL FOR WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL



The bells of St. Lawrence's, Winchester, four cast by Anthony Bond in 1621 and one by Ellis and Henry Knight in 1674, have parted company for ever. Only No. 3 remains in the home tower to be chimed in lonely state.

For many years the tower has been declared unsafe for ringing and Ellacombe chiming apparatus was used; even this had to be discontinued. The parish very generously decided to dispose of four of the bells, where they could once more be of service to the Church. Treble, second and tenor were found a home at Upper Clatford, and will be hung with two other 'resident' bells.

It was discovered that the fourth could be tuned to make a flat sixth for the Cathedral. The St. Lawrence's P.C.C. were very happy to present this bell to the Dean and Chapter so that at least one of the old five could ring out again in the city. The bell now lies in the south transept of the Cathedral, awaiting the day when funds sufficient for retuning and hanging are raised. An anonymous benefactor has already paid the cost of its removal.

When the project is completed, the Cathedral will have a true 'light eight' with 14 cwt. tenor, which will be known as the 'St. Lawrence Eight' in remembrance of the grand little ring, which contributed to its completion, and in acknowledgment of the generosity of the parish that supplied the bell.

The task of raising the funds falls mainly on the Cathedral ringers, who will explore every means of expediting the day when they can say 'Take hold for... on the light eight.' Donations large or small will be gratefully acknowledged and should be sent to the captain, Dennis B. Brown, 3, Moss Road, Winnall, Winchester.

Our picture, through the courtesy of 'The Hampshire Chronicle,' shows Mr. Frank C. W. Knight inspecting the fourth bell.

Mr. Sweet writes correcting the report of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers on page 119. His home tower is St. Peter's, Tidenham, Glos. and not Chenstow, as stated, although he is a member of the Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association as well as the Gloucester and Bristol Association.

## BIRMINGHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

A comprehensive survey of many Kent towers was accomplished by Birmingham University Society of Change Ringers during their Easter tour, which was based on Westwell, near Ashford. The party included Chris Nokes (Ringing Master), Geoff Davies (post-graduate member), P. W. Gay, N. C. Perrins, C. J. Brown, A. J. Jobson, A. D. Macfadyen, Ann E. Fellows, Rosemary A. Tailby (who made all the arrangements) and Ruth Gay.

Many of the touches were spoilt by ringing too fast and this was particularly noticeable at Margate. Improvement was noted on Friday in the Folkestone/Hythe area. Sunday ringing was at Wye and Petham, and in the afternoon a quarter of Surprise Minor (Cambridge and Surfleet) was rung at Hothfield by Rosemary A. Tailby 1. C. S. Nokes 2. A. J. Jobson 3. C. J. Brown 4. P. W. Gay 5. G. Davies (cond.) 6. In the evening ringing was at Great Chart.

On Monday, after a visit to the Isle of Sheppey, there was an interview with a 'Kent Messenger' representative. His first question was: 'Are you doing this for money?' Then, 'Are there any ladies with you?' to which a reply was 'I don't know, but you needn't quote me on that.'

At Leeds the tomb of James Barham, of the famous peal of April 6th-7th, 1761, was visited and a touch of Bob Major was rung to commemorate the 203rd anniversary of the peal, which fell on the date of the visit. Grandsire Caters was rung with the help of Mr. G. Cantrill.

The first snag of the tour occurred on the last day at Chart Sutton, where we were informed a stay had been broken the previous evening and the rope was round the wheel. A 'grab' at Boughton Monchelsea, with Vicar's permission, was a good substitute.

Thanks are accorded to ringers who met us and Rosemary Tailby, the tour organiser, and her helpers: the results were much enjoyed by all who went.

A. D. M.

## A CONQUEST AT BREDON HILL

Birlingham, lying at the foot of Bredon Hill in a bed of the River Avon, is what would usually be described as a sleepy village. On April 25th, however, rural peace was shattered when the first peal was rung on the bells of St. James' Parish Church. The tower here is constructed with a pigeon loft complete with nesting holes and alighting window sills beneath the bell chamber. A further unique feature is the village stocks, which stand in the ringers' gallery. Of the ring of five originally cast by Bagley in 1685, two were recast in 1692 and 1748. Since being rehung by Barwell, c. 1880, the bells have had no attention.

Rarely rung, the bells were ungreased when the band arrived. A visit to the local shop was unsuccessful in the purchase of oil, but a bottle of liquid paraffin and a half-pound of 'Cookeen' cooking fat mixed to a suitable consistency was forced into the plain bearings, and found to have good lubricant properties.

The bells were raised and, after a few rounds, the tenor ceased to strike. A further visit to the tower showed the clapper lying in the bottom of the raised bell with one of its securing bolts missing. A search revealed a substitute and when this had been installed the peal was restarted. All went well until a startling suddenly made an entrance and spent three extents doing circuits and bumps among the ringers and ropes before finding its way out. The bells finally came round after 2 hours and 43 minutes. Thus the last of the unpealed towers round Bredon Hill has been conquered.

P. C.

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# Letters to the Editor

## Technical Articles

Dear Sir.—The suggestions made by Maurice Hodgson (page 236) are excellent. Your readers may be interested to know upon what lines we are working in Manchester.

Firstly, all published Surprise Major methods which do not appear in Hudson and McClenahan's Collection have had their falseness (together with incidence) extracted, using the Manchester University Atlas computer. The work is almost complete and it is hoped that the results will be published in the not too distant future.

As already indicated (page 157) we have a programme to determine all possible Surprise Major methods actually running. Unfortunately I do not foresee the completion of this work as I shall not have the use of 'Atlas' after June. However, I would be pleased to pass on the programme to anyone who might be able to obtain sufficient time on another machine. So far, we have obtained 18,715 notations producing Plain Bob lead-ends (thus giving nearly twice this number of methods) all beginning  $x\ 34\ x\ 14\ x\ \dots$

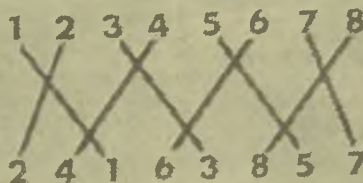
The output indicates the number of notations tested for Plain Bob lead-ends (261,314), which Plain Bob lead-end is produced (of H. and M.) and whether or not the bells in 8th place are in Plain Bob coursing order or its reverse. Although this represents only about 20 minutes' computing, the printing of results is a somewhat lengthy process. I cannot foresee the Central Council financing this sort of project as £500 is a reasonable estimate of the computer time used to get this far, had it been bought commercially!

It has been obvious for some time that a large gap exists in the technical literature between simple descriptions of methods and formal treatment of falseness, extension, etc. Philip Jones and I are collaborating in the preparation of a booklet of the size of the Central Council beginners' handbook, which is aimed to bridge this gap. I hope that it will not be too long before we can publish.

An interesting point emerges when the question of Plain Bob lead heads (p.b.l.h.s.) is considered. Denis Bayles (page 266) implies the arbitrariness of this ruling, but it should be pointed out that they are unique. Any group of l.h.s. has the property that it is cyclic, i.e., if one member is produced then in turn all other members will also appear, except in the case of Royal where 3 lead courses are possible (simply because it is the only group containing a composite, that is, not prime, number of members). For example, if from rounds we obtained 13456782, as the second lead head, then 14567823, 15678234, etc., would be produced as successive ones. The unique feature of p.b.l.h.s. is that no matter whether 2nds pl. or 8ths pl. is made at the treble lead, we still get a p.b.l.h. Thus the row 15372846 (the first lead end of Yorkshire) gives 15738264 or 13527486 depending upon the place made while the treble is leading. These are both p.b.l.h.s. This feature does not occur for any other group of lead heads (I'm sure David Marshall will supply a proof of this if it is desired), and it alone justifies the condition imposed for regular methods. Denis Bayles' figure of 59 out of 60 is not borne out by H. and M.'s collection, nor by the figures quoted above. A figure of 9 in 10 seems to be a nearer estimate of the rejection of notations caused by this condition.

The article on 'In and Out of Course' by F. Aitch (page 174) was a useful one. There is an easy way of determining whether any row is in or out of course given by A. C.

Aitken in 'Determinants and Matrices' (Oliver and Boyd, 9th ed., 1962, pages 31 et seq.). This involves writing down the row in question immediately below rounds (or any other row known to be in course). Corresponding digits in the two rows are joined by lines and the number of intersections of these lines is counted. An even number of intersections indicates an in-course row, and conversely, e.g.:



N.B.—The intersections must be of two lines, not more.

There are seven intersections, so 24163857 is out of course.—Yours faithfully,

JOHN C. BALDWIN.

Manchester.

## Had the Judges a Different Standard?

Dear Sir,—Since I moved from Derbyshire to the East Riding of Yorkshire I have always looked eagerly through 'The Ringing World' for any news of old friends and I was most interested in the account of the striking competition organised by the Stafford Archdeaconry Society at Bushbury, especially when I noticed the names of the judges.

From my recollections of many general meetings of the Derbyshire Association I should think the organisers of the striking competition were well advised to appoint three judges as I could not imagine my old friends Dennis Carlisle and Gordon Halls reaching a unanimous verdict without reference to a third opinion.

On a more serious point, however, I was intrigued by the very low number of penalties incurred by the winning teams and in view of the widening interest in striking competitions I have wondered if it is possible to obtain information about the comparative methods of determining faults in striking.

I fully realise that the test piece at Bushbury was limited to 120 changes, but to incur only 7½ faults the striking of the winning band must have been well nigh perfect unless the ringing was judged on standards different from those set by judges in certain other competitions.

Although one would normally expect the striking to improve in longer lengths I cannot recollect Harold Chant and Jim Thorley ever giving results as low as 22½ faults (pro-rata) for contests of 360 changes in the Sheffield District, and it was always considered that the ringing of Warsop band, under Herbert Rooke, was of near maximum standard.

If, as I hope, the ringing of the Little Aston and Lichfield Cathedral bands was as good as indicated then the results are most encouraging and I hasten to assure all concerned that my only point in writing this letter is to promote interest in comparisons of the methods employed by the judges of striking competitions.—Yours faithfully,

A. B. COOPER.

Kirk Ella, Hull.

## Washington Hospitality

Dear Sir.—Although a full report of the Washington visit will be submitted shortly by George Pipe, I would like to take this early opportunity of recording the party's appreciation of the magnificent hospitality extended in Washington by the Cathedral authorities and those private individuals who acted as hostes and hostesses, guides, etc.

Also to thank all those who, by supporting the fund organised by Douglas Hughes, helped to make the trip financially possible, and those many ringers in this country who sent messages of greeting and goodwill prior to our departure.—Yours faithfully,

JOHN CHILCOTT.

Hawley, Surrey.

## Cornish Bells

Dear Sir.—I see in your issue of May 15th you give the words of the carol 'Cornish Bells' with 'author unknown.' I expect you will get a number of letters giving the name of the author. But in case not and as I am rather older than most ringers, I write to say the author was Bishop C. W. Stubbs, fourth Bishop of Truro, who confirmed me. It was set to music by T. Tertius Noble, who was, I believe, his son-in-law. It had its vogue when I was boy, but I imagine is seldom heard now. Incidentally, I should very much like to obtain a copy of the words and music and should be very grateful if any of your readers could tell me how to get this.—Yours faithfully,

EVAN M. THOMAS (Rev.)

Menheniot Vicarage,

Liskeard, Cornwall.

## Surprise Major Collection

Dear Sir. — I think Mr. Wilson's article dealing with ringing literature and the Central Council does Maurice Hodgson an injustice.

At last year's annual meeting of the Middlesex Association, in order to get printed the collection of Surprise Major methods which had been rung, I proposed that the Association should undertake this work. Maurice Hodgson was then prepared to contribute half or even more of the cost so that the work could go forward on this basis. I hope he will forgive me for mentioning it!

You, sir, were present and on your advice the project was left to the Central Council. Although the Council were agreeable, a whole year has elapsed and we are still waiting for the collection. Does this not justify Maurice Hodgson's remarks?—Yours sincerely

FREDERICK W. GOODFELLOW.

Middlesex Association Treasurer.

Note.—We understand that an estimate of cost is being obtained.—Ed.

## London at Westhoughton

Dear Sir.—On looking through 'The Ringing World' for January 31st, 1964, I notice that a peal at Westhoughton of London is claimed as first on the bells. This is not so as the first peal of London was rung on December 4th, 1937, for the College Youths' tercentenary. The band was as follows: T. B. Worsley 1, Lester Gray 2, George R. Newton 3, Arnold Brunton 4, Laurence J. Williams 5, Wilfred Halliwell 6, Benjamin A. Knights 7, Percival H. Cave 8. Conductor, T. B. Worsley. — Yours sincerely,

L. J. WILLIAMS.

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## IRISH ASSOCIATION

The Executive Council of the Irish Association at its annual meeting at Dublin on April 25th, with Mr. A. F. Bogan (president) in the chair, welcomed as new Council members Mrs. J. Jeffery, P. Hanley, E. Gabriel and R. Henly. Messrs. J. Cole and V. C. Patterson were elected life members in recognition of past services.

It was decided not to increase the non-resident life membership subscription, which remains at 5s. Agreement was reached in regard to the rule for life membership, which will in future be awarded to those who render exceptional service to the Exercise; the honour cannot be bought as heretofore.

All accounts showed better balances due to increased activity in membership and reading of the 'Irish Bell News.' A record circulation of 246 copies was achieved.

Reference was made to the newly-formed Society of Change Ringers in Dublin University and it was decided that members should be treated as follows for affiliation: Students not normally resident within the jurisdiction of the Association, non-resident life members; those 'within,' resident members.

The Murphy Cup contest was run off on the bells of Christ Church Cathedral and won by St. Mary's Cathedral, Limerick (31 faults) followed by St. Donard's, Belfast (62 faults) and St. George's, Dublin (93 faults).

Elections: President, Mr. A. F. Bogan; general secretary, Mr. Fred E. Dukes, Meadow Cottage, Julianstown, Co. Meath; Master and badge secretary, Mr. John T. Dunwoodv; auditor, Mr. W. E. Bovenizer; librarian, Mr. T. Wilson.

May 8th was selected at the date for the 1965 meeting in Dublin.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Northern Branch

Tributes were paid by the president, Mr. F. N. Golden, at the meeting of the Northern Branch at Wroxham to two members who had served with distinction and had died recently. They were Mr. W. Love, for some years secretary of the Association, and Mr. W. C. Medlar, whose membership exceeded 50 years. The meeting stood in silence as a token of respect.

Elected members were the Misses W. A. Cook, D. I. Grout, S. A. E. Partridge and K. Sewell (Buxton), Mr. D. Bird (Wroxham) and as an honorary member Mr. A. S. Goddard (Wroxham). The belfry elections of Miss J. Buss and Mr. M. Cubitt were ratified.

The Vicar (the Rev. E. A. Hubbard) was thanked for conducting the service, and also local ringers and wives for an excellent tea.

Mr. F. C. Goodman and the Branch Committee were thanked for arranging the striking competition, also Mr. P. Cattermole for getting Bale bells to ring and teaching the art to boys at Gresham School.

## Historic Hoxne Hears its Ancient Bells

THE churchwarden who had been chiming one of the bells for services came to seek advice as the bell would no longer ring. The rope had broken and become wedged between pulleys. The request was then made for all the bells to ring for Easter services. Five secondhand ropes, kindly loaned from Diss, were fitted and then from the lovely 15th century church tower came 'Ding dong bell—ding dong bell,' followed quickly by two deeper notes and Hoxne people, climbing Little Hill for the early morning celebration, were hearing for the first time for many years the somewhat plaintive melody of the ring of five bells heralding the glad tidings of this Easter Sunday morning.

Some 250 years ago the original 'tenor' bell (weighing approximately 18 cwt.) became cracked, and was taken out of its pit in the bell frame and sold to provide funds for seating and church repairs, leaving a ring of five bells in a minor key to bewail the loss.

The use of the word 'tenor' to denote the heaviest and deepest toned bell is probably derived from the development of part singing in the 14th century when the 'tenor' (or bass) would 'hold' or sing the melody, and the alto and treble would improvise a harmony in thirds and sixths above the notated line.

But to return to the Hoxne bells—number five now the heaviest is also the oldest, being cast and placed in the tower by Richard Baxter, of Norwich, in 1420. When the first notes of Baxter's bell floated down the hill, earlier and more primitive buildings occupied the sites of the ancient houses now clustered around the picturesque village green. The fourth is also a pre-Reformation bell, cast in the same Norwich foundry 40 years later, in 1460, by the famous Brasyer family, and it may be interesting to recall some of the chief events of those intervening forty years.

## HEADLESS BODY BROUGHT HOME

Following the great victory at Agincourt, where Hoxne men instead of throwing darts at bulls' eyes in local inns, may well have been shooting arrows from their long bows, Henry V in 1420 married Catherine of France and established a claim to the French throne. However, by the time that the 1460 bell had been placed in the Hoxne tower, Joan of Arc had been burnt at the stake, and nothing except Calais was left of the English dominions in France. William de la Pole, of Wingfield Castle, the great Duke of Suffolk, who was blamed for the disaster, had been ignominiously beheaded in the Straits of Dover, whilst fleeing for his life, and his headless body had been brought back to the castle in the dead of night. Hoxne bells may well have tolled for this sad event.

The arms of the de la Poles can be seen on the font in Hoxne Church and this family probably contributed towards the building of the tower. In 1460 the Duke of York claimed the throne of England and the bloodbath of the 'Wars of the Roses,' to last for twenty-five years, had begun.

The third bell, recast in 1711 by a local founder, John Goldsmith, of Redgrave, who also cast three bells for the adjoining parish of Great Oakley, was probably originally

another Brasyer bell from Norwich which had served as the village 'Angelus' in pre-Reformation days.

The second bell, dated 1655, also came from the Norwich foundry, but the treble bell, Darbie. There is a suggestion that one of dated 1676, was cast in Ipswich by John these last two bells was bought from Thorpe Abbots, on the Norfolk side of the River Waveney.

## A TENOR FUND

And what of the future? The conversion of the bells into a ring of six on a major scale by adding a small treble bell would also involve drastic retuning of the other bells with the consequent grave danger of impairing their excellent tone.

Why was the original tenor destroyed in 1750 instead of being recast? The Enclosure Acts of this period had brought increasing prosperity to the rural areas and the countryside was taking on its familiar pattern of hedges, fields and scattered farms. In spite of this affluence the bell was sold and not recast. Who was the incumbent and who the churchwardens? Modern mechanisation of the land is rapidly destroying this agricultural landscape in the cause of greater efficiency and prosperity which may enable our generation to supply a new tenor bell comparable in weight and tone to its original predecessor.

The fourth bell bears a request in lovely lettering in Latin, to 'pray for the soul of Richard Smith.' For over five hundred years this bell has done its duty, a period that has far exceeded the life-span of Richard Smith's friends or the memory of his place in the local community. Could any man wish for more?

A new tenor bell fund already exists and just needs topping up by someone seeking a similar sweet-sounding memorial. Hoxne would then possess one of the finest rings of six bells in Suffolk and, with ringers to ring them, could

'Still upon the hallowed day

Convoke the swains to praise and pray.'

A. N. OTHER COUNTRYMAN.

MID-SUSSEX STRIKING  
CONTEST

In connection with the Mid-Sussex Arts Festival at Burgess Hill on April 25th, a striking competition proved to be a well worth while venture. Mr. A. P. Cannon was the adjudicator.

St. Peter's, Brighton, band were declared the best 8-bell entry (210 Grandsire Triples) and also the overall winners. The Church of the Good Shepherd, Brighton, ringers won the 6-bell 240 Grandsire Doubles.

Other overall placings were: 3 Hurstpierpoint, 4 Cuckfield, 5 Southover, 6 Aldrington, 7 Ditchling, 8 Twineham. Encouraged by the success of this initial venture, the Arts Festival organisers hope to include ringing in future competitions.

After the competition about 75 ringers attended a social evening arranged by the Burgess Hill band, at which Mr. Cannon announced the results and gave a constructive report on the ringing.

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**ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX**

Two 41-seater coaches were required for the Isleworth outing into Oxfordshire, a major parish activity. Small parties from Cambridge University and Lewisham also attended. Ringing varied from call changes and Grand-sire Triples to London, Bristol and an attempt at Spliced Surprise Major.

Memories include meeting Mr. Allen, now 87, who had been tower captain at Great Milton for 63 years; three sittings for lunch at Witney, and the fine octave in the Parish Church; the final course of Yorkshire at Burford, the finest sound of the day. It was a day of good scenery, good bells and good company, and thanks must be given to the secretary, Miss June Creak, for her excellent organisation, and Harold Rogers, the Ringing Master.

**WIMBLEDON'S WEEK-END**

Wimbledon ringers, for their week-end on April 17th, assembled at Blandford Forum. Saturday was a full day starting with the six at Okeford Fitzpaine. Contact was made with an Essex party at Wincanton. At Evercreech, the Stedman and Grandsire were not quite up to B.B.C. standard, but Cambridge Royal was well rung. The Essex party was again met at Ditchat and justice was done to a fine ring of bells with a course of London. Dorchester was tried at Dorchester; it did not go well, but there was a fine touch of Double Norwich and a first class drop at the end.

Sunday morning saw an early start at Blandford, with service ringing at 8.45. Following lunch in Ringwood, a course of Superlative provided satisfying work for the two tenor men. For the Scout and Guide service at Romsey Abbey, Bristol was rung, followed by the Surrey competition piece of Grandsire Triples. The light 10 at North Stoneham defeated us—apologies for making a bad job of the bells. Service ringing at New Alresford included Rutland. Our thanks to Vicars and all who met us. N. B.

**OUTINGS****BROMHAM, BEDS**

On April 11th the ringers of Bromham, with friends from several other Bedfordshire towers, enjoyed a day's outing in Kent. On this lovely April day everyone was in high spirits at the prospect of seeing some of the beauties of this enchanting county—Garden of England!

We witnessed a little drama, too, at Dartford, which was the first tower. The bells had just been raised when suddenly the whole scene seemed to be transformed, and one felt that this must be a performance of one of those religious plays which are so popular nowadays—there was the circle of expectant watchers, with awe and wonder expressed on every face, as one of the younger members of the party soared heavenwards, giving a very fair representation of the Ascension! We handed over the cost of a new stay, and, with profound apologies, stole meekly away.

The next stop was at Milton-next-Gravesend, where we quite enjoyed ourselves, though in a more restrained manner. Lunch was taken at Rochester, after which we enjoyed a pull on the fine ring of ten at the Cathedral.

Some good ringing on the light eight at Gillingham was followed by a pleasant run through attractive country to Boxley, where we found the fine ring of six a real delight.

Tea at Maidstone put us all in good shape for a visit to the interesting village of Farningham, with its even more interesting church and splendid ring of six bells.

The excellent octave at St. Mary's, Lewisham, made a very suitable end to the day's ringing, and a brief stop for refreshment concluded a most enjoyable trip.

The thanks of all are accorded to Frank W. Rivett and his helpers, for their work of organisation, and to the incumbents and local ringers who made us so welcome.

A. E. R.

**473 MILES TO GRAB FIVE TOWERS**

A party of Irish ringers left Dublin on April 18th and travelled 473.6 miles that day to grab five towers. They were the Misses A. Sadler, M. Bernard-Smith, S. Dukes, D. Graham, Messrs. C. Reede, A. Vere-Hodge, A. Pike and F. E. Dukes.

Limerick was reached following the beautiful run around the shores of Lough Derg, and ringing at St. Mary's Cathedral included Grandsire and Plain Bob Triples and Kent Treble Bob Minor. At Mount St. Alphonsus (one of the finest tens in the world) David Benson left a sick bed to bid the party welcome, and Charlie Reede took charge of the ringing.

While a search was being made for the key at Doneraile, a picnic lunch took place. The ringing here was Grandsire Doubles and Kent Minor. A cross-country run through marvellous unspoilt country with the Magillicuddy Reeks in the distance, brought the party to Bandon. A precarious climb up iron ladders led to the ringing room. Grandsire was the only method rung. Finally came St. Finebarre's Cathedral, Cork, where a quarter peal had to be deferred because of a funeral service. The three conductors took turns in calling. Supper at Cahir consisted of two trout and three chops per person at a reasonable charge. English ringers note the address—Cahir House Hotel. One car reached home at 1.5 a.m. and the other at 12.25. Thanks are expressed to the many who co-operated in this memorable and enjoyable tour.

**WADENHOE, NORTHANTS.**—On April 11th, 1,320 Minor (Kent T.B., Little Bob, Plain Bob): Mary J. Bloxam 1, Joyce M. Clipstone 2, M. A. Coleman 3, Jean Marlow 4, I. W. Hall 5, A. D. Sansom (cond.) 6.

**WEST BRIDGFORD, NOTTS.**—On April 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Penny Miller (first quarter) 1, W. L. Radcliffe 2, Juliet Stamper 3, J. Miller 4, P. K. Else (cond.) 5, G. Butler 6. For Evensong and an appreciation to Mr. R. W. Winstanley, for over 34 years tower captain, who has left the district.

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Anne Barber and Rachel Sinden are two of the four Folkestone schoolgirls who, together with two young ladies from Lympne, scored their first peal in an all-ladies' peal of Doubles at Cheriton on April 25th, reported in our last issue. Their first attempt for Minor, at Little Chart, two days before, failed, but Anne and Rachel scored again with a peal of Minor at Newington on April 27th. The conductor of the latter peal informs us that they both rang very well and have their minds on ringing their first 100 peals together!

The peal at Old Glossop (see page 279) was rung on March 14th. Second check.

Errata: Peal of Rothley Surprise Major (page 298). The lead-end should be 18 and not 12 (i.e., an eighth's place method).

The quarter peal at Wentworth on May 1st, to mark the jubilee of the Diocese of Sheffield, was the first quarter peal by the Wentworth band without one of the two 'Micks' taking part in it!

Sending a contribution from his outing to 'The Ringing World,' a Bedfordshire correspondent states that this is a little less than usual as the party had already 'forked out' for a broken stay.

The young band who rang a peal of Minor at Wheatley on May 2nd desire to thank Mr. Sheldon for the tea awaiting them after ringing. Their comment: 'One of the best teas we have ever seen!'

The meeting of the Bedfordshire Association at Caddington next Saturday is the first ever to have been held there. When the six bells were rededicated last January they had not been rung for 133 years. Catering difficulties mean—no names, no tea.

Ringling for Ascension Day Evensong at St. John's, Cardiff, was undertaken by a band of ladies; six were from St. John's, two from Llandaff and one from Sully. With Mary Pryor conducting, several touches of Grandsire Triples were successfully brought round. The male members of St. John's have been assured there will be no redundancy!

## BELFRY GOSSIP

Knutsford Royal May Day Festival dates back to 1864 and during the whole of the century the Rudhall six in the Parish Church have heralded in the festival. On two occasions the ringers had been requested to start at 6 a.m. instead of 9 a.m. as the proud parents of the May Queens-elect wished their daughters to be awakened by the sound of the bells! The late Mr. Hough rang for the festival for 60 years, and his son, Sidney, continues the tradition. Knutsford May Day is an open day for ringers. Long may it continue!

The peal at Wymondham, Norfolk, on April 19th, was the 400th by Mr. H. Tooke, secretary of the local company.

Ringling has been suspended at High Wycombe Parish Church until four loose pinnacles have been repaired. It is feared that they might be dislodged with ringing.

To raise £2,000 to meet the cost of rehanging their bells, Isleham, near Ely, ringers held on May 16th a Tramps' Bar-B-Q in the Vicarage grounds. Ringling took place between 7 and 8 p.m.

A conductor's practice was held at St. Michael's, St. Albans, on April 25th. Most people arrived so late that ringling was only possible during the second hour. Touches of Major and Triples were called by several people for the first time.

Through a slip of the pen, Mr. W. A. Theobald in his letter on page 308 stated that the Washington band was of nine Cumberlands. It should have been College Youths. The Editor thanks the many readers who have called his attention to the error.

The peal of Bob Major at St. Michael's, Basingstoke, on May 2nd, was originally planned as a tower captains' peal but at the last moment substitutes had to be found to ring the treble and No. 6, Jack Weaver kindly standing in at a minute's notice. The tower captains taking part were from Overton, Aldermaston, Chieveley, St. Michael's (Basingstoke), Andover and Highclere. A further attempt with all eight is planned for later in the year.

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**TWELVE BELL PEAL**

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,  
**A PEAL OF 5021 STEDMAN CINQUES**

Tenor 12 cwt. 9 lb. in F.

FRANK E. DARBY .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. 7
JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. .. 2	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. 8
*OLIVE D. TESTER .. .. 3	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. .. 9
*JEAN L. LAVENDER .. .. 4	*COLIN A. TESTER .. .. 10
†HILARY F. MARTIN .. .. 5	STEWART F. KIMBER .. .. 11
ROBERT W. HINDE .. .. 6	JOHN WALDEN .. .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.  
\* First peal of Stedman Cinques. † First 12-bell peal.

**TEN BELL PEALS**

KING'S NORTON, BIRMINGHAM.  
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.  
On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 3 Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF 5120 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb. in E.

*JOHN N. LINDON .. .. Treble	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 6
MURIEL REAY .. .. 2	RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 7
J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. 3	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. .. 8
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 4	PETER BORDER .. .. 9
FREDERICK ROSS .. .. 5	CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

\* First peal of Surprise Royal.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Alma M. Greaves, former Ringing Master of this tower, and Nicholas Q. Grazebrook.

**LUTON, BEDFORDSHIRE.****THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF 5079 STEDMAN CATERS**

DONALD G. CLIFT .. .. Treble	*GEORGE HAWKINS .. .. 6
JACQUELINE S. KING .. .. 2	DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. .. 7
SHIRLEY M. DREW .. .. 3	JOHN MANLEY .. .. 8
ANTHONY R. CARTER .. .. 4	GEORGE W. DEBENHAM .. .. 9
ROGER G. HAVARD .. .. 5	DAVID J. KING .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS. Conducted by DONALD G. CLIFT.  
\* First peal of Stedman Caters. Tenor 25 cwt. 24 lb. in D.

**WATFORD, HERTFORDSHIRE.****THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

(The Western District.)

On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

Tenor 24 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb.

WALTER AYRE .. .. Treble	HOWARD COLLINGS .. .. 6
*RONALD W. R. PICTON .. .. 2	*D. JOSEPH GOODMAN .. .. 7
*SUSAN E. WILLIAMS .. .. 3	*BRIAN M. BARKER .. .. 8
*PETER W. HARPER .. .. 4	*REGINALD E. J. SHEPPARD .. .. 9
AUGUSTIN V. GOOD .. .. 5	ANTONY R. KENCH .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal on ten.

Rung for the birth of daughters to the Duke and Duchess of Kent and H.R.H. Princess Margaret and Lord Snowdon.

**PRITILEWELL, ESSEX.****THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

On Sun., May 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF 5004 ST. CLEMENT'S BOB CATERS**

Tenor 18½ cwt.

JANET ROWE .. .. Treble	*DAVID E. BELCHAM .. .. 6
FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 2	FRANK C. MAY .. .. 7
PHILIP J. RUTHERA .. .. 3	ALFRED J. HOUSE .. .. 8
ROY D. TOMLIN .. .. 4	MICHAEL J. HALLETT .. .. 9
BERNARD C. SADLER .. .. 5	PETER SLOMAN .. .. Tenor

Composed by RICHARD F. B. SPEED. Conducted by ALFRED J. HOUSE.  
\* First peal of Caters. First in the method by all the band, and for the Association.

Rung to mark the 50th anniversary of the enthronement of John Edwin Watts-Ditchfield as first Bishop of Chelmsford.

**EWERBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.****THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Sun., May 10, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 15 cwt. 23 lb. in D.

ROBERT W. HINDE .. .. Treble	JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. .. 6
*HILARY F. MARTIN .. .. 2	COLIN A. TESTER .. .. 7
OLIVE D. TESTER .. .. 3	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. 8
JEAN L. LAVENDER .. .. 4	STEWART F. KIMBER .. .. 9
JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. .. 5	FRANK E. DARBY .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHAS. J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

\* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal.

A welcome to the new Vicar, Rev. F. H. Chalk, and a compliment to him on the birth of a son earlier this month.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS****DERBY.****THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF 5120 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

*DOUGLAS DERBYSHIRE .. Treble	JACK BAILEY .. .. 5
*KEVIN A. BETESTA .. .. 2	DAVID WALKLATE .. .. 6
*MICHAEL A. WILLIS .. .. 3	*REGINALD WALLIS .. .. 7
*WILLIAM ALLSOPP .. .. 4	SAMPSON WALKLATE .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by DAVID WALKLATE.  
\* First peal of T.B. Major. Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb.

**RICHMOND, SURREY.****THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.**

On Mon., March 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 18½ cwt.

E. JANE SIBSON .. .. Treble	A. REX AGG .. .. 5
JOHN ARMSTRONG .. .. 2	NOEL J. DISERENS .. .. 6
*ANTHONY G. TYERS .. .. 3	DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 7
DR. D. J. NEAL SMITH .. .. 4	PHILIP MEHEW .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. TIPLER (B.67). Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.  
\* First peal in the method. First of Surprise on the bells.

Rung for the Feast of Easter; also as a compliment to Alan J. Frost and Diana M. Lawless, who were married on March 28th.

**LONDON.****THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**

On Sat., April 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-AT-HACKNEY,

**A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

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

JUDITH R. COX .. .. Treble	COLIN A. TESTER .. .. 5
E. JANE SIBSON .. .. 2	DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 6
OLIVE D. TESTER .. .. 3	FRANK J. MATTHEWS .. .. 7
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 4	DENNIS BERESFORD .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN. Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

**GREAT MILTON, OXFORDSHIRE.****THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Fri., April 24, 1964, in 3 Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

**A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 18 cwt. in E.

FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. Treble	BRIAN JONES .. .. 5
WILLIAM WYMAN .. .. 2	J. KEITH WARD .. .. 6
CHARLES WATTS .. .. 3	MICHAEL JAGGER .. .. 7
WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. 4	KEITH RICHARDS .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. BERRY. Conducted by MICHAEL JAGGER.

**COVENTRY, WARWICKSHIRE.****THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY.**

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, STOKE,

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. in F sharp.

JANE K. A. COOK .. .. Treble	ARTHUR R. WRIGHT .. .. 5
*DEREK M. SAWYER .. .. 2	*JOHN C. BALDWIN .. .. 6
DAVID R. M. HEIGHTON .. 3	ANTONY R. KENCH .. .. 7
ROYSTON BLACKLER .. .. 4	IAN C. MAYCOCK .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by IAN C. MAYCOCK.  
\* First peal in the method. First Society peal of Double Norwich.  
Rung as an engagement compliment to Ian C. Maycock and Ann Hobbins.

**SILEBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.****THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF 5152 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 22 cwt. 12 lb.

ALAN E. HARTLEY .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY M. BREWIN .. .. 5
WILLIAM A. LACEY .. .. 2	ROLAND H. COOK .. .. 6
JOHN M. JELLEY .. .. 3	B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. .. 7
A. MAXWELL LINDSEY .. .. 4	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Rung unconduted.

Rung for the Feast Day of St. Mark.

**BRISTOL.****THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Tues., April 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AMBROSE,

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Tenor 11½ cwt. in F sharp.

J. Bruerton's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 11½ cwt. in F sharp.
*PAUL WILLIAMS .. .. Treble	GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. .. 5
ALAN TUBB .. .. 2	†MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. 6
D. JOHN HUNT .. .. 3	PATRICK J. BIRD .. .. 7
†JACQUELINE A. HOBBS .. 4	FRANK R. HUSSEY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GILLIAN M. HUSSEY.  
\* First peal. † 25th peal together. First as conductor.



**WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.**  
**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Thurs., April 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,*

*At the Church of St. Mary.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 KINGSWAY SURPRISE MAJOR**

JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. . Treble	DENNIS KNOX .. .. . 5
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. . 2	JOHN HILL .. .. . 6
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 3	THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 7
ALICK CUTLER .. .. . 4	JACK S. DEAR .. .. . Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.  
 First peal in the method. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

**ERITH, KENT.**

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Fri., May 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,*

*At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.*

**A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. in G.

HERBERT E. AUDSLEY .. Treble	ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. 5
*ANN JENNER .. .. . 2	†ROBERT W. HINDE .. .. 6
*HILARY F. MARTIN .. .. 3	STANLEY JENNER .. .. 7
FREDERICK J. CULLUM .. 4	PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN J. IVIN. Conducted by STANLEY JENNER.  
 \*First peal in the method. †100th peal. First in the method as conductor.

In honour of the birth of a daughter to H.R.H. Princess Margaret.

**AUDLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.**

**THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,*

*At the Church of St. James-the-Great.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. 18 lb. in F sharp.

CHARLES S. RYLES .. Treble	†PHILIP W. GAY .. .. . 5
*†BARBARA A. JOHNSON .. 2	†RAYMOND J. BALLARD .. 6
*†T. LESLIE WALLEY .. .. 3	†GEOFFREY C. BEECH .. .. 7
*†DAVID J. MIDGLEY .. .. 4	G. ARNOLD MOORE .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by CHARLES S. RYLES.  
 \*First peal. †First of Oxford Treble Bob Major.

**BASINGSTOKE, HAMPSHIRE.**

**THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,*

*At the Church of St. Michael.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in F.

*BRADLEY P. MURDUCK .. Treble	†ANDREW TAYLOR .. .. 5
PAUL G. HOLMES .. .. . 2	†JACK WEAVER .. .. . 6
DAVID L. WILCOX .. .. . 3	TERRY R. TARRANT .. .. 7
S. FRANK TUFFEY .. .. . 4	GEOFFREY K. DODD .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.

\*First peal on eight bells. †First of Major on an 'inside' bell.

**BISHOP'S CANNINGS, WILTSHIRE.**

**THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,*

*At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in E.

*RICHARD A. G. INGLIS .. Treble	DON C. EXELL .. .. . 5
VICTOR GRIFFIN .. .. . 2	GORDON W. LAND .. .. . 6
*CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. 3	ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. 7
IVOR GOULTER .. .. . 4	BRIAN BLADON .. .. . Tenor

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSIOW. Conducted by CYRIL A. WRATTEN.

\*First peal of Major. †25th of Yorkshire Major.

An engagement compliment to Peter Wakefield and Sandra M. Spencer.

**BRADLEY, BILSTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.**

**THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,*

*At the Church of St. Martin.*

**A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in G.

PAUL McEVILLY .. .. Treble	†REMI M. HODISTER .. .. 5
PHILIP G. K. DAVIES .. .. 2	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. 6
*JAMES INGLEBY .. .. . 3	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. .. 7
J. DENNIS HOLDEN .. .. 4	ERIC E. SPEAKE .. .. . Tenor

Composed by RICHARD F. B. SPEED.

Conducted by MICHAEL J. FELLOWS.

\*First peal in the method. †First Surprise peal.

**CHOBHAM, SURREY.**

**THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,*

*At the Church of St. Lawrence.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.

*PETER J. PRIVETT .. .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER K. HILL .. .. 5
DUDLEY P. ELSMORE .. .. 2	ALAN D. ELSMORE .. .. . 6
JAMES W. PRIEST .. .. . 3	DENNIS G. BLOWS .. .. . 7
ROY COLLINS .. .. . 4	E. JOHN WELLS .. .. . Tenor

Composed and Conducted by E. JOHN WELLS.

\*First peal attempt.

A compliment to John Martin and Joan Smith on their engagement.

**KINGSWAY SURPRISE MAJOR**

56—58.4.56—58.16—12—5.12—14.5

2nds place L.E. 14263857. 4ths place bobs.

**DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.**

**THE SUFFOLK GUILD.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb. in E flat.

ROBERT E. LESTER .. Treble	HARRY D. LISTER .. .. 5
GILBERT R. GOODSHIP .. 2	NEVILLE F. WHITTELL .. 6
*MICHAEL C. GARROD .. .. 3	RAYMOND F. TAYLOR .. .. 7
ALICE E. J. LESTER .. .. 4	ANDREW T. BECKWITH .. Tenor

Composed by F. BENNETT. Conducted by ANDREW T. BECKWITH.

\*First peal on eight bells.

**ESHER, SURREY.**

**THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.*

*At Christ Church.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in A flat.

*RUPERT L. CAPORN .. Treble	*BRUCE B. ROGERS .. .. 5
*MICHAEL J. BANGHAM .. 2	A. PATRICK CANNON .. .. 6
*A. DAVID LEACH .. .. . 3	*CHRISTOPHER D. J. WEBB .. 7
†ANDREW PEARMAN .. .. 4	†JOHN F. M. MAYBREY .. Tenor

Composed by J. PLATT. Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

\*First peal of Treble Bob Major. †First of Oxford T.B.

Rung in honour of the birth of a daughter to H.R.H. Princess Margaret.

**GREAT HOLLAND, ESSEX.**

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.*

*At the Church of All Saints.*

**A PEAL OF 5024 SINGLE OXFORD BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN A. AVIS .. .. Treble	DAVID E. BELCHAM .. .. 5
ALAN R. ANDREWS .. .. . 2	WALTER ARNOLD .. .. . 6
NEIL V. AVIS .. .. . 3	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. . 7
PETER M. WILKINSON .. 4	EDWARD E. DAVEY .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE. Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Association.

**HADLOW, KENT.**

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. Mary.*

**A PEAL OF 5024 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 13½ cwt. in G sharp.

DORIS E. COLGATE .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 5
ANN JENNER .. .. . 2	*LAWRENCE T. POPE .. .. 6
*OLIVE D. TESTER .. .. . 3	W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON .. 7
*†EDWARD J. JENNER .. .. 4	STANLEY JENNER .. .. . Tenor

Composed by RICHARD F. B. SPEED. Conducted by STANLEY JENNER.

\*First peal in the method. †100th peal.

In honour of the birth of a daughter to H.R.H. Princess Margaret.

**HALEWOOD, LANCASHIRE.**

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. Nicholas.*

**A PEAL OF 5000 LITTLE BOB MAJOR**

TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. Treble	JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. 5
CHRISTOPHER K. COOPER .. 2	V. DAVID JENNER .. .. . 6
JEFFREY J. FOX .. .. . 3	THOMAS W. HESKETH .. .. 7
RICHARD S. STARKIE .. .. 4	KENNETH J. HESKETH .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. H. LEWIS. Conducted by THOMAS W. HESKETH.

Rung on the 50th anniversary of the first peal of Little Bob Major

rung for the Lancashire Association in this tower, composed and

conducted by E. H. Lewis. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb. in G.

**HATFIELD BROAD OAK, ESSEX.**

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt.

*COLIN G. WRIGHT .. Treble	ANTHONY M. FAULKNER .. 5
*JAMES LAKEN .. .. . 2	*ANDREW R. F. C. CROWSON .. 6
Aidan St. J. BOYACK .. .. 3	†DENNIS ELLISDON .. .. . 7
*KENNETH WARNER .. .. . 4	DENNIS A. HEWITT .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD. Conducted by DENNIS ELLISDON.

\*First peal. †25th peal.

Rung in honour of the birth of a daughter to H.R.H. Princess Margaret and Lord Snowdon.

**LIVERPOOL.**

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. Peter, Woolton.*

**A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb. in E.

TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER K. COOPER .. 5
JEFFREY J. FOX .. .. . 2	THOMAS W. HESKETH .. .. 6
V. DAVID JENNER .. .. . 3	RICHARD S. STARKIE .. .. 7
KENNETH J. HESKETH .. 4	JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. . Tenor

Composed by R. W. PIPE. Conducted by KENNETH J. HESKETH.

First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major on the bells.



**LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.**  
**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes.*

*At the Bell Foundry Campanile.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 6½ cwt.

B. SIEDMAN PAYNE .. Treble	A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL .. 5
MALCOLM D. BARSBY .. 2	WILLIAM L. EXTON .. 6
MARY C. POYNER .. 3	HARRY POYNER .. 7
DELLA E. HEPPENSTALL .. 4	J. RICHARD PERKINS .. Tenor

Composed by F. BENNETT. Conducted by A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL.  
 Rung in honour of the birth of a daughter to H.R.H. Princess Margaret.

**PERSHORE, WORCESTERSHIRE.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes.*

*At the Abbey Church of the Holy Cross, SS. Mary and Edburgha.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 28 cwt. in D.

JOHN E. WHITTALL .. Treble	KEITH GOLDTHORPE .. 5
PAUL CATTERMOLLE .. 2	RICHARD D. GIBSON .. 6
ARTHUR C. BERRY .. 3	JOHN S. RANK .. 7
JOHN R. PERRETT .. 4	DAVID S. JOHNSON .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by PAUL CATTERMOLLE.  
 Ringers of treble, 2 and 3 are members of the Worcestershire and Districts Association; 4, 5, 6, 7 and tenor the Yorkshire Association.

**ST. STEPHEN-IN-BRANNEL, CORNWALL.**

**THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. Stephen.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Parker's Twelve-Part (7th obs.)	Tenor 13 cwt.
FRANCES M. RICKARD .. Treble	ANTHONY LOCKE .. 5
ALAN CARVETH .. 2	ARTHUR F. BURLEY .. 6
V. MARY MATTHEWS .. 3	DAVID N. PENROSE .. 7
ANTHONY J. DAVIDSON .. 4	DENNIS STEPHENS .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN CARVETH.

Rung as a tribute to Canon F. F. Gilbert, who retired on April 30th after being Rector of St. Stephen's for 38 years.

**STANMORE, MIDDLESEX.**

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. John.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 19 lb. in G.

LORNA E. SIMPSON .. Treble	CLIVE W. SIMPSON .. 5
*ELIZABETH M. EMMETT .. 2	BRYAN C. BURROUGH .. 6
†SUSAN M. WHITE .. 3	LEONARD J. NORTH .. 7
‡ANDREW KETT .. 4	BERNARD E. MATTHEWS .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by BERNARD E. MATTHEWS.

\* First peal. † First of Kent 'inside'. ‡ First of Treble Bob.

A birthday compliment to ringer of third.

**TURVEY, BEDFORDSHIRE.**

**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.*

*At the Church of All Saints.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Parker's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 19½ cwt. in E.
*SHIRLEY RUDDLESSEN .. Treble	RONALD RUSSELL .. 5
JACQUELINE A. DOWNING .. 2	†ROGER W. SMITH .. 6
†ALAN A. PAUL .. 3	GEORGE F. ROOME .. 7
STANLEY M. RUDDLESSEN .. 4	†GRAHAM C. PAUL .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE F. ROOME.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First in the method.

A 14th birthday compliment to the treble ringer.

**PACKWOOD, WARWICKSHIRE.**

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.**

*On Mon., May 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. Giles.*

**A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

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

Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in B flat.

*IAN C. MAYCOCK .. Treble	*PETER S. BENNETT .. 5
†MARYL R. CROSSHWAITE .. 2	†DAVID J. ALLEN .. 6
†SUSAN FUNNELL .. 3	*NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. 7
*RODERICK W. PIPE .. 4	*CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN. Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

\* First peal of 6-Spliced on this plan. † First of 6-Spliced. ‡ 100th peal.

**OVERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE.**  
**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.**

*On Tues., May 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. Matthew.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Johnson's variation.	Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in A flat.
WILLIAM F. WOODWARD .. Treble	SANDRA E. CHESTERTON .. 5
RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. 2	RAYMOND BENFIELD .. 6
BRIAN G. WARWICK .. 3	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. 7
ARTHUR E. ROWLEY .. 4	A. JAMES POYNOR .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

**OXFORD.**

**THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.**

*On Tues., May 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. Ebbe.*

**A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 4 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

HILARY F. PARDOE .. Treble	JOHN S. RANK .. 5
BRUCE WAKEFIELD .. 2	CHRISTINE C. MACNAIR .. 6
M. ROGER ASHMORE .. 3	F. JOHN NELSON .. 7
JOHN W. THORP .. 4	JOHN E. CAMP .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY. Conducted by JOHN E. CAMP.

**EYE, SUFFOLK.**

**THE SUFFOLK GUILD.**

*On Fri., May 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.*

*At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 19 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. in D.

ROBERT E. LESTER .. Treble	*HAROLD LEATHER .. 5
CECIL W. PIPE .. 2	*LEONARD E. LAST .. 6
*ALICE E. J. LESTER .. 3	ANDREW T. BECKWITH .. 7
LESLIE G. BRETT .. 4	HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY (No. 7).

Conducted by HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE.

\* First peal in the method.

**BATH, SOMERSET.**

**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, Bathwick.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

J. J. Parker's One-Part.	Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb. in E flat.
ALAN F. LEE .. Treble	JOHN R. C. TILLY .. 5
GEORGE J. HAWKINS .. 2	SIDNEY J. WOODCOCK .. 6
ROBIN S. M. STUBBS .. 3	*KENNETH G. HARRISON .. 7
HAROLD L. PARFREY .. 4	JOHN W. OWEN .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE J. HAWKINS.

\* First peal.

**BOUGHTON-UNDER-BLEAN, KENT.**

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.*

*At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.*

**A PEAL OF 5184 LINDUM SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in G.

ANDREW M. MACVE .. Treble	IAN H. ORAM .. 5
ANN JENNER .. 2	STANLEY JENNER .. 6
JOHN FAIRCLOTH .. 3	THOMAS CULLINGWORTH .. 7
RALPH BIRD .. 4	A. PATRICK CANNON .. Tenor

Composed by ALBERT J. PITMAN. Conducted by IAN H. ORAM.

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

**BROMLEY COMMON, KENT.**

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. Luke.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt.

MAXWELL F. OAKSHOTT .. Treble	ALLEN F. MILLEDGE .. 5
WILLIAM J. RAWLINGS .. 2	BRIAN H. COATSWORTH .. 6
ROSEMARY E. JENKINS .. 3	R. THOMAS NEWMAN .. 7
PERCY E. SPICE .. 4	JOHN W. EUSTON .. Tenor

Composed by GEO. H. CROSS. Conducted by JOHN W. EUSTON.

**COLE-ORTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.**

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.**

*On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.*

*At the Church of St. Mary.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb.

H. GEORGE HART .. Treble	RONALD A. WRIGHT .. 5
JOSEPH WM. COTTON .. 2	DAVID J. TAYLOR .. 6
ELSIE K. HART .. 3	WILLIAM S. DEASON .. 7
RUTH M. FOREMAN .. 4	ROBIN A. HODGSON .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by WILLIAM S. DEASON.

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## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

CASTON, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., March 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Consisting of 720 Kent Treble Bob, 720 Oxford Treble Bob, 720 St. Clement's and four 720's Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.  
 H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. Treble | TIMOTHY PETT .. 4  
 FRED A. WILLGESS .. 2 | KEVIN S. HOHL .. 5  
 EDWARD HOWES .. 3 | BEVAN W. WILLGESS .. Tenor

Conducted by BEVAN W. WILLGESS.

HOLME-ON-SPALDING MOOR, E. YORKSHIRE.

THE BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

(Yorkshire Association.)

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb.  
 \*JOAN GRAY .. Treble | †GRAHAM E. DREW .. 4  
 \*EILEEN M. HAYNES .. 2 | \*NORMAN W. CASTLE .. 5  
 \*PATRICIA A. TEAL .. 3 | JOHN S. RANK .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN S. RANK.

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

NEWINGTON-NEXT-HYTHE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., April 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 9 cwt. 19 lb. in A flat.  
 \*ANNE BARBER .. Treble | †ROBERT P. BROTHERTON .. 4  
 \*RACHEL SINDEN .. 2 | †NIGEL MILLER .. 5  
 †GRAHAM NEILSON .. 3 | CRAWFORD T. HILLIS .. Tenor

Conducted by CRAWFORD T. HILLIS.

\* First peal of Minor. † First of Minor 'inside.' ‡ First peal.

BARTON STACEY, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., April 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

### A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (ten callings) and one Pitman's 240.

Tenor 7 cwt. 12 lb. in A flat.

CHARLES A. BALL .. Treble | FRANK R. TONGE .. 4  
 GEOFFREY K. DODD .. 2 | CHRISTOPHER H. G. SMITH .. 5  
 PENELOPE A. GODDARD .. 3 | REGINALD F. CROOK .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.

Rung to the memory of Albert Ball, brother of the treble ringer, who died on April 10th, a ringer at this church for 32 years.

BONVILSTON, GLAMORGAN.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., April 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 21 methods/variations, being two extents each of St. Simon's, Antelope, Plain Bob, Kennington, Besthorpe, April Day, Litchurch, Seighford, Shipway's Place Bob, Brailsford, St. Barnabas, St. Alkmund, St. James, St. Denys, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, Southrepps Pleasure, Costessy, Clifford's Pleasure, St. David's, Little Aston and Grandsire. Tenor 12 cwt.

ILOL DAVIES .. Treble | ELLIS N. THOMAS .. 4  
 \*CHRISTOPHER RICKETTS (12) .. 2 | PAUL M. EVANS .. 5  
 GARETH H. JONES .. 3 | W. J. LEWIS GROOM .. Tenor

Conducted by ELLIS N. THOMAS.

\* First peal 'inside.' Most methods to a peal by all the band, and on the bells. Fastest peal on the bells.

BELTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., April 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being extents of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent T.B., Double and Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

JACK BRAY .. Treble | C. AUBREY HARRISON .. 4  
 RONALD CHAFER .. 2 | JOHN UNDERWOOD .. 5  
 MELVYN ROSE .. 3 | PHILIP BARNES .. Tenor

Conducted by JACK BRAY.

Rung to mark the retirement as churchwarden after 29 years of Mr. W. D. Cooper, of the neighbouring parish of Haxey.

PACKINGTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

On Thurs., April 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY ROOD,

### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 six-scores in nine methods, viz.: Ten Grandsire, eight Reverse Canterbury Pl., four each Old Bob, Plain Bob, April Day, Kennington and Southrepps, and two each of St. Columb and Clifford's Pleasure. Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in B flat.

ARTHUR E. ROWLEY .. Treble | RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. 3  
 \*EDWIN DEAKIN .. 2 | JOSEPH W. COTTON .. 4

DEREK P. JONES .. Tenor

Conducted by DEREK P. JONES.

\* First peal in nine methods.

OADBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., May 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In four methods, viz.: 21 extents Plain Bob, three Rev. St. Bartholomew, three Northrepps Pleasure and 15 Grandsire.

DAVID F. MOORE .. Treble | STUART H. J. EDWARDS .. 4  
 N. RODERICK ELLWAY .. 2 | MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. 5  
 RUPERT A. CLARKE .. 3 | PHILIP J. HUTCHINSON .. Tenor

Conducted by MAURICE R. A. KIRK.

A 21st birthday compliment to Roderick Ellway (April 30th), ringer of the second bell. Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 15 lb.

BURMARSH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 12 lb. in G.  
 ELIZABETH TODD .. Treble | PETER RICHARDSON .. 4  
 ANNE RAYNER .. 2 | CRAWFORD T. HILLIS .. 5  
 MRS. R. WRATTEN .. 3 | DENNIS A. CHAPMAN .. Tenor

Conducted by CRAWFORD T. HILLIS.

Rung half-muffled in memory of Frank Watts, churchwarden, organist and captain of the ringers.

BUXTON, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 12½ cwt.  
 HERBERT G. SMITHSON .. Treble | DANIEL T. PHILLIPS .. 4  
 JOHN R. SMITH .. 2 | ROY E. CULLINGTON .. 5  
 \*DERICK J. GRAY .. 3 | DERICK W. PARDON .. Tenor

Conducted by DERICK W. PARDON.

\* First peal. First as conductor.

A compliment to the treble ringer on retirement as verger at this church after 24 years' faithful service.

CAWTHORNE, BARNSLEY.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(Barnsley and District Society.)

On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

### A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven extents in 37 methods, viz.: (1) Killamarsh, Kent, Trinity Sunday, Pontefract and Donotrar; (2) Queen Bess, York Delight, Hoyalandswaive, Tankersley and Flouch; (3) Darton Victory, York Minster, Penistone, Bolton Abbey, Nelson's Victory and Walsh's Victory; (4) College Bob IV, Old Oxford, Willesden, Newdigate and Marple; (5) St. Albans, Neasden, Wragby, Charlwood and Braintree; (6) College Exercise, Duke of Norfolk, Norbury, Ockley, Morning Star and Disley; (7) London Scholars', Sandal, Kingston, Capel and Oxford.

SUSAN PEACE .. Treble | HERMAN RUSBY .. 4  
 \*ELIZABETH PEACE .. 2 | TREVOR TARBATT .. 5  
 †PETER CARBATT .. 3 | NOEL F. MOXON .. Tenor

Conducted by NOEL F. MOXON.

\* First peal in 37 methods 'inside.' † First in 37 methods.

Rung for the christening of Prince Edward. Tenor 9 cwt.

CHAPEL ALLERTON, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

### A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being four extents of Oxford and three of Kent. Tenor 7½ cwt.  
 RUTH NIBLETT .. Treble | THOMAS WM. STRANGWAY .. 4  
 PATRICIA LOCKWOOD .. 2 | IRVIN SLACK .. 5  
 IAN NORTH .. 3 | ROBIN BROWN .. Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS WM. STRANGWAY.

DUNKERTON, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 21 extents each of Plain Bob and Grandsire.

Tenor 5 cwt. 18 lb. in C.

\*HUGH VENNEL .. Treble | †BRYAN C. STIRLAND .. 4  
 †JULIAN E. NEWMAN .. 2 | †DAVID T. H. ROBERTSON .. 5  
 GEORGE W. MASSEY .. 3 | ALBERT F. BUTT .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE W. MASSEY and DAVID T. H. ROBERTSON.

\* First peal away from tenor. † First in more than one method.

‡ First of Doubles on an 'inside' bell. § 25th peal.

EXHALL, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

### A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb.  
 KEITH F. GARDNER .. Treble | †IAN P. UNSWORTH .. 4  
 MARYL R. CROSTHWAIT .. 2 | DAVID J. ALLEN .. 5  
 \*DAVID S. L. LLOYD .. 3 | PETER S. BENNETT .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID J. ALLEN.

\* First peal of Surprise. † First of Surprise Minor.

A compliment to Ian C. Maycock and Ann Hobbins on their engagement.



**GREAT WYMONDLEY, HERTFORDSHIRE**  
**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,**  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent each of St. Clement's and Kent Treble Bob and five of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr.

SHEILA BROWN .. .. Treble	ROGER D. R. BROWN .. .. 4
JULIA A. FELLOWS .. .. 2	KEITH J. WALPOLE .. .. 5
*BARBARA M. GOODSPEED .. 3	GERALD PENNEY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

\* First of three methods 'inside.'

**GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.**  
**THE SUFFOLK GUILD.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,**  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In five methods, being seven extents, viz.: (1) Oxford T.B., (2) Cambridge Surprise, (3) Plain Bob, (4) Kent T.B., (5) St. Clement's, (6) Cambridge, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 4 cwt. 10 lb. in D.

*WILLIAM E. E. PYE .. .. Treble	ERNEST G. PEARCE .. .. 4
CECIL W. PIPE .. .. 2	C. MARTIN PRESS .. .. 5
ERNEST W. PIPE .. .. 3	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. THODAY.

\* First peal of Minor.

**HORTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.**  
**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,**

**A PEAL OF 5040 DUKE OF NORFOLK TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents. Tenor 9 cwt. in G sharp.

*RICHARD WHARTON .. .. Treble	HARRY W. HOWARD .. .. 4
HAROLD DOWLER .. .. 2	BARRY CORBISHLEY .. .. 5
BRIAN SCHOFIELD .. .. 3	ROY WORRALL .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BARRY CORBISHLEY.

\* First peal on six bells. First in the method by all.

**KNUTSFORD, CHESHIRE.**

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,**

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In four methods, being one extent of St. Clement's Bob and two each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 12½ cwt.

DAVID VINCENT .. .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER JONES .. .. 4
DENIS MOTTERSHEAD .. .. 2	ALAN SHARPLES .. .. 5
SIDNEY HOUGH, JUN. .. .. 3	JOHN ROBINSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN ROBINSON.

Christopher Jones has now 'circled the tower.'

Rung for the Knutsford Royal May Day Centenary Festival.

**OLD RADNOR, RADNORSHIRE.**

**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,**

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents. Tenor 16 cwt.

*REGINALD PREECE .. .. Treble	ROBERT HATCHER .. .. 4
MRS. E. C. CHANDLER .. .. 2	JOHN HOPE .. .. 5
IRFNE ELLSMORE .. .. 3	BRYAN ELLSMORE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BRYAN ELLSMORE.

\* First peal of Minor.

Rung to mark 45 years' service ringing by Mr. George Robinson; also as a 92nd birthday compliment to Mr. J. Bradley.

**SHARNFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE.**

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,**

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In seven methods, being six extents each of St. Simon's, St. Martin's, St. Nicholas', Winchendon Place. Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob and Grandsire. Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb. in G.

GEORGE W. BRANDRICK .. Treble	JOHN WATKINS .. .. 4
IVAN S. MERRY .. .. 2	K. PAUL GILLIVER .. .. 5
BRIAN L. BURROWS .. .. 3	*MICHAEL A. CALDECOTE .. Tenor

Conducted by K. PAUL GILLIVER.

\* First peal attempt.

**SWITHLAND, LEICESTERSHIRE.**

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,**

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN AND REVERSE CANTERBURY BOB MINOR**

Being seven different callings. Tenor 12½ cwt.

RAYMOND R. BROWN .. Treble	MICHAEL J. COPSON .. .. 4
JULIAN M. MORLEY .. .. 2	MICHAEL W. BROWN .. .. 5
RUPERT A. CLARKE .. .. 3	MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL W. BROWN.

A 21st birthday compliment to Roderick Ellway, assistant Ringing Master.

**TIMSBURY, SOMERSET.**  
**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,**

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In five methods/variations: (1 to 3) Rev. Canterbury, (4 to 6) Rev. St. Bartholomew, (7 to 9) April Day, (10 to 12) Plain Bob, (13 to 15) Grandsire, (16 to 18) Rev. Canterbury, (19 to 21) Rev. St. Bartholomew, (22 to 24) April Day, (25 to 27) Plain Bob, (28 to 30) Grandsire, (31 to 33) Rev. Canterbury, (34 to 36) Rev. St. Bartholomew, (37 to 39) April Day, (40 to 42) Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

STANLEY C. DAVIS .. .. Treble	DAVID A. BURT .. .. 4
LESLIE R. G. TAYLOR .. .. 2	HAROLD L. PARFREY .. .. 5
ALAN F. LEE .. .. 3	*EDWARD T. COTTLE .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN F. LEE.

\* First peal.

**DUXFORD, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.**

**THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes,*

**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,**

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents. Tenor 8½ cwt.

URSULA STUBBINGS .. Treble	JOHN HARRISON .. .. 4
*JOHN W. BYATT .. .. 2	C. MARTIN PRESS .. .. 5
WILLIAM E. E. PYE .. .. 3	GEORGE E. THODAY .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. THODAY.

\* First peal of Minor, and first 'inside.'

Rung for the enthronement of the Rt. Rev. E. J. K. Roberts as Bishop of Ely this day at Ely.

**HANDBELL PEALS**

**MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.**

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Tues., April 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 9 Minutes,*

**AT 20, TYTHERINGTON COURT,**

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

E. M. Atkins. Tenor size 15 in C.

NEIL BENNETT .. .. 1-2	GILES B. THOMPSON .. .. 5-6
ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. 3-4	DEREK A. ASHTON .. .. 7-8

Conducted by GILES B. THOMPSON.

A 21st birthday compliment to Bernard F. L. Groves.

**HARROW, MIDDLESEX.**

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Fri., April 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes,*

**AT 170, HEADSTONE LANE,**

**A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In 12 methods, comprising 640 each of Bristol, Eastcote, London and Rutland, and 320 each of Cambridge, Ealing, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative, Watford, Wembley and Yorkshire; with 139 changes of method. Tenor size 15 in C.

*THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 1-2	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 5-6
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY 3-4	†FRANK C. PRICE .. .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of 12-Spliced Surprise Major on handbells. † First of 12-Spliced.

**LEVERSTOCK GREEN, HERTFORDSHIRE.**

**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sun., April 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,*

**IN THE SCHOOL,**

**A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL**

Tenor size 22 in C.

GERALD PENNEY .. .. 1-2	†MARTYN L. J. JORDAN .. 5-6
*JULIA A. FELLOWS .. .. 3-4	WALTER AYRE .. .. 7-8

†MICHAEL D. FROST .. 9-10

Arranged and Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal of Treble Bob 'in hand.' † First of Kent T.B. Royal 'in hand.'

**BRISTOL.**

**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Mon., April 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes,*

IN THE COMMON ROOM OF THE CITY PARISH CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN-THE-MARTYR.

**A PEAL OF 5072 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

*JENNIFER M. TAYLOR .. 1-2	ALBERT M. TYLER .. .. 5-6
*JAMES R. TAYLOR .. .. 3-4	PHILIP M. J. GRAY .. .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by ALBERT M. TYLER.

\* First peal of Major 'in hand.'

**ST. ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE.**

**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Wed., April 29, 1964, in 1 Hour and 46 Minutes,*

**AT 17, QUEEN STREET,**

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being one extent each of College Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Reverse Bob, St. Clement's, Double Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor size 11 in G.

GERALD PENNEY .. .. 1-2	*JULIA A. FELLOWS .. .. 3-4
JOYCE DODDS .. .. 5-6	

Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

\* First handbell peal in seven methods.



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### BIRTH

**SLOCOMBE**—On Tuesday, May 12th, 1964, at the Merthyr Guest Hospital, Templecombe, Somerset, a daughter, Margaret Anne, to Betty and Bill, of 77A, High Street, Wincanton, Somerset. 4707

### PERSONAL

'And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them: that they may be one, even as we are one.' (St. John xvii, 23.)

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

**CHILCOTT**—The correct postal address of John and Eileen Chilcott is now 14, Lawson Glade, The Glebe, Hawley, near Camberley, Surrey. 4708

**TOWNSEND**—From May 30th the address of Mr. and Mrs. B. Townsend (and cat) will be East Lodge, Tamworth Road, Freeford, Lichfield, Staffs. Tel. Lichfield 3935. Ringers and friends welcome. 4714

### MISCELLANEOUS

**BEAUTIFULLY** bound copy 'The Ringing World,' 1963, as supplied to Central Council library. Price £2 10s., post free.—Apply Editor, 'The Ringing World' Office, Onslow Street, Guildford.

**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD**—Warwick Archdeaconry District.—The District Secretary now is Peter S. Bennett, Grange Farm, Bearley, Stratford-upon-Avon. Tel. Snitterfield 255. 4689

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Farnham District.—Advance practice at Aldershot on May 26th, 7.30-9 p.m. 4687

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Farnham District.—Striking competition at Ash, May 23rd, at 3 p.m. Normal practice in evening. Numbers for tea to Mr. C. Champion, 62, Wentworth Crescent, Ash Vale, Aldershot.

**SURPRISE MAJOR PRACTICE** at Holy Trinity, Guildford, on Thursday, May 28th. Methods: Bristol, Ealing, Lincolnshire, London, Pudsey, and Cambridge. Superlative. Bristol and London Spliced. 4717

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### MEETINGS

**GUILD OF MEDICAL RINGERS**—Saturday, May 23rd: Elstree, 3.15-4.15; Bushey, 4.30-5.40; Watford, 6.30-7.30. Dinner 8 p.m., Red Lion, Radlett. Names to D. L. Gullick, 13, Weston Road, Stevenage. 4662

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Hereford District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Wellington on Saturday, May 23rd. Bells (6) from 3 to 4 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Meeting to follow. Bells available after tea till 8.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. R. G. Powell, 9, Green Lane, Kingstone, Hereford.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Chipping Norton Branch.—Annual meeting Burford, Saturday, May 23rd. Bells 3. Service 4. Tea 5. Numbers for teas. Ringing Shipton under Wyckwood 7. 4624

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Saturday, May 23rd. Ringing at Winkfield, 3.15 to 4.45 p.m. Old Windsor, 6 to 9 p.m.—Miss Hague, 6, Stompits Road, Holyport, Maidenhead. 4659

### BACK NUMBERS

'The Ringing World' has received a very generous gift of back numbers dating from 1919 to 1959. While some are brown with the passing of years, the majority are clean and serviceable. We propose to offer these to readers who want to complete their files. The charge will be 8d. per copy post free.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**—Wimborne Branch.—Practice meeting on May 23rd. Ringing Gussage St. Michael (6) 3 and 6.30-8.30 p.m. Service 5. Gussage All Saints' (5) 6.30-8.30 p.m. Names for tea to Rev. S. J. T. Buffrey, Gussage St. Michael, Wimborne. 4661

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**—Bingham District.—Meeting at Granby, May 23rd (District round Crawford Cup contest). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to W. L. Exton, 'St. Owen's,' Whatton.—R. Blackshaw, Sec. 4671

**SUFFOLK GUILD**—S.W. District.—Meeting Clare, May 23rd. Bells (8) 3. Service 4.30. Names to Mr. S. J. Twitchett, 7, Station Road, Clare, Sudbury, Suffolk. 4590

**SUFFOLK GUILD**—N.E. District.—Quarterly meeting on Saturday, May 23rd, at Dennington (6) 2.30 p.m., Laxfield (6) 6-9 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Miss N. Branch, Fern Bank, Bungay Road, Halesworth. 4649

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS**—Business meeting at 'The Rising Sun,' Carter Lane, E.C., on Tuesday, May 26th, at 8.15 p.m. Practices in June, all commencing 6.30 p.m.: 2nd, St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside; 9th, St. Andrew's, Holborn; 16th, Southwark Cathedral; 23rd, St. Paul's Cathedral. See separate notice for details of Cardiff meeting on Saturday, June 6th, 1964.—John Chilcott. 4710

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION**—Bristol Rural Branch.—Practice meeting, Alveston Friday, May 29th. Bells (6) available 7.30-9 p.m. 4669

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**—Crewe Branch.—Burmthorpe, May 30th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by May 27th.—W. Kerr, 107, Moreton Road, Crewe. 4702

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY**—Meeting at Campsall, Saturday, May 30th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names to Rev. G. Key, The Vicarage, Campsall, Doncaster.—J. Laughton, Hon. Sec. 4701

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Bishop's Stortford District.—Braughing ringing feast, Saturday, May 30th. Ringing at Braughing 3 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m., followed by meeting and ringing in the evening. Names for tea, please, to Mr. P. Glazebrook, 11, Friars Road, Braughing, Ware.—D. Kingston. 4720

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Ashford District.—Meeting at Stone-in-Oxney, Saturday, May 30th. Bells (6, 13 cwt.) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. A. Daw, 'Craigerne,' Stone-in-Oxney, near Tenterden, not later than Wednesday, May 27th.—C. T. H. 4636

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (Lewisham District) and **SURREY ASSOCIATION** (Northern District)—Joint meeting, St. Mary's, Lewisham, May 30th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Machell, 9, Church Grove, Ladywell, S.E.13, by Wednesday 27th. 4693

**LADIES' GUILD**—Central District.—Meeting at Elstree, May 30th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business. South Mimms bells 6.30 to 8 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. T. J. Lock, 57, Holloways Lane, North Mymms, Hatfield, Tel. Hatfield 2866. 4673

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Fylde Branch.—Meeting at St. Cuthbert's Parish Church, Lytham, on Saturday, May 30th. Bells (8) at 3 p.m. 4696

### ST. CHAD'S, SHREWSBURY 50th Anniversary of Dedication of Bells, May 30th, 1964.

Ringings 3-4.30, 7-9 p.m.  
Service 4.30, with address by the Bishop of Shrewsbury.  
Tea in Parish Hall 5.15 p.m.  
Names for tea essential by May 27th to F. G. Beddow, 7, Judith Butis Gardens, Monkmoor, Shrewsbury. 4670

### ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

A meeting will be held at Cardiff on Saturday, June 6th, 1964. Ringing Programme:  
Newport Cathedral, 10.45 a.m.-12 noon.  
St. John's, Cardiff, 2-4.30 p.m.  
Llandaff Cathedral, 3.30-4.45 p.m.  
Lunch will be reserved at 'The Tennis Court Hotel,' Cardiff (opposite St. John's Church), for those sending names and cash (10s. per head) by Monday, June 1st, to Mr. M. J. Pryor, 43, Downton Road, Rummy, Cardiff. Business meeting at 'The Tennis Court Hotel' at 5 p.m.  
A private bus will take members from Newport to Cardiff, also to and from Llandaff at a nominal charge.  
**JOHN CHILCOTT**, Hon. Sec., 14, Lawson Glade, The Glebe, Hawley, near Camberley, Surrey. 4709

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY**—Next meeting, Drighlington, Saturday, May 30th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Names for tea essential, please, by previous Thursday to Mr. Robert Brown, 3, Drifholme Road, Whitehall Road, Drighlington, Bradford. 4698

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Western Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Caston, on Saturday, May 30th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by the business meeting. Names for tea to C. Banham, Bridge Cottage, Caston, Attleborough. 4683

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Northampton Branch.—Meeting at Cogenhoe, Saturday, May 30th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to B. E. Frost, 40, Foxgrove Avenue, Northampton. 4601

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Rutland Branch.—Meeting, Exton (6 bells), Saturday, May 30th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to W. C. A. Clark, Middle Street, Wing, by Tuesday previous. 4713

**EDGMOND, SHROPSHIRE**—Ringers' Sunday, May 31st. Ringing: 7.30-8 a.m., 10.15-11 a.m., 5.30-6.30 p.m., also after Evensong. 4719

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD**—Meeting at Clent on June 6th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Names for tea (which are essential) to me by June 3rd.—M. D. Fellows, Secs., 14, Western Road, Stourbridge, Wores. 4705

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Ely District.—Meeting at Littleport (8) on Saturday, June 6th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Special methods: Double Norwich and Superlative. 4718

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Canterbury District.—By-meeting, Littlebourne on Saturday, June 6th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea in Village Hall at 2s. 3d. per head. Those who require tea must notify by June 3rd, together with cash, please, to Mr. T. Young, 2, Loddington Cottages, Littlebourne, near Canterbury. 4712

**NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION**—Meeting at Mayfield and Ellastone is cancelled. The next meeting will be held at Swynnerton on June 6th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. W. Watkin, Early Lane, Swynnerton, Staffs, by Wednesday, June 3rd.—G. C. Beech. 4722



**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Branch.—Meeting, Happisburgh, June 6th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday. June 3rd. to Mr. G. Larter, 2, School Common Road, Lower Happisburgh, Norwich. NOR. 25 Z.—N. P. J. C., Branch Sec. 4467

**SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Cup contest meeting at Old Brampton, Saturday, June 6th, 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Arkwell, 296, Brimington Road, Chesterfield, please.—J. Seager, Sec. 4691

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Nottingham District.—Meeting, Saturday, June 6th. Thrumpton (5) 2.30 to 4 p.m. Barton (6) 3.30 to 8 p.m. Names for tea to Miss E. Smith, 18, Greendale Gardens, Aspley, Nottingham, by June 3rd.—S. Adams. 4699

**SUFFOLK GUILD.—S.E. District.**—Meeting at Oulton, Saturday, June 6th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. Steward, No. 12, Middlewood Cottages, Oulton, Suffolk.—E. G. Pearce, Dis. Sec. 36, St. Andrew's Place, Melton, Woodbridge. 4716

**WORCESTERSHIRE & DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch.—Practice meeting at Suckley on Saturday, June 6th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea at church fete. Broadwas bells (5) available 6.30-7.30 p.m. 4715

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Frome Branch.—Corporate Communion at Farmborough on Sunday, June 7th, 8 a.m. Bells 7.15 p.m. Names for breakfast to Mr. K. T. Baker, Church View, Bath Road, Farmborough, by Monday, June 1st.—E. Chivers, Chilcompton. 4700

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual festival will be held in Oxford on Saturday, June 27th, 9.45 a.m. Corporate Communion; 11 a.m. Festival Service at Christ Church Cathedral; 12 noon annual meeting in the Chapter House; 1.30 p.m. luncheon in the Dining Hall. Ringing arrangements as on agenda. Luncheon tickets (7s. each) from Mr. A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Church Lane, Wexham, Slough, Bucks. Names, together with remittance, by Tuesday, June 23rd.—Marie R. Cross, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4541

**RINGING FESTIVAL** and joint meeting of **LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD** (Elloe Deaneries Branch) and **LADIES' GUILD** at Moulton, Saturday, June 27th. Details of all towers in Branch to be opened later. The usual cricket match will be held at Moulton.—K. R. Davey, Hon. Sec. (L.D.G.C.B.). 4690

**SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY.**—Preliminary Notice.—Great ringing day will be held on Saturday, June 27th. Bells (12) available 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Lunch and tea arranged if notified.—L. E. Pitstow. 4721

## OBITUARY

### MR. WALTER H. FREEMAN

With deep regret, the Ely Diocesan Association records the death at Wisbech, on April 30th, after a short illness, of Mr. Walter H. Freeman, aged 81. He was a brother of the late Mr. J. A. Freeman, of Lincoln Cathedral, and uncle of Mr. John Freeman, vice-president of the Central Council, and of the Rev. Michael Freeman, of Messingham, Lincs. A grandson, Mr. Paul Freeman, lives in London. Born at Market Deeping, Lincs, he learned to ring there, with the late Mr. Horace Day, when he was about 15 years old. After his marriage he lived at Snikhv, near Boston, and for the last 30 years at Wisbech, where for several years he was captain of the tower.

Although Walter was not a peal ringer—he rang only 11 during his many ringing years—he was never happier than in a belfry and usually rang the tenor. His work as a master builder caused him to travel extensively but no matter where he was he sought out a tower on a Sunday and attended every possible practice in the area. When at Wisbech he was regular and reliable for Sunday service ringing and practices. His ringing was always conscientiously performed and was truly his pride and joy. Mr. and Mrs. Freeman celebrated their diamond wedding on February 23rd this year. B. W.

## SOUTH WALES NOMADS RENAMED 'THE NOMADS'

The sixth annual tour, which started on March 31st, was centred on Exeter with headquarters at 'The Endeavour' Guest House, Alphington. At Alphington's fine old church the first evening, the party met Mr. F. Mack who accompanied them many times during the week. The next morning they sampled Mr. Mack's 'lightest six in the world' and after a little practice three leads of Grand-sire were mastered. That evening they joined a helpful crowd of locals at St. Mark's, Exeter, and Stedman was rung.

The major day of the week was Thursday and through the good services of Mr. Audrey Bennett, the tower organiser, Buckfast Abbey was visited. Major and Caters were rung on these deep-toned, sonorous bells and a sight never to be forgotten was the swinging of the great bell 'Hosanna.' An important 'first' for many of the party was the 'Devon Cream Tea' which followed and proved in schoolboy parlance 'a smashing success.' Friday was another full day. A quarter lost at Tedburn St. Mary included some of the best striking on tour; four other towers were visited before ending at St. David's, Exeter.

Another quarter was lost at Harpford on Saturday and, alas, we did not do justice to the finest octave of the tour—Ottery St. Mary. Concluding the tour we bade farewell to the 'South Wales Nomads'—for nationality reasons they are to be known in future as 'The Nomads.' Grateful thanks to Mr. D. Roberts and Mr. A. Bennett for success of sixth tour.

The tourists: Rev. D. Sansom (Stoke Bishop), G. Marchant (Dursley), D. Thomas (Ponteg. Mon), E. Thomas, P. Evans, G. Thomas, E. Ricketts (Cowbridge Grammar School), R. Walters, B. Neal (Marshfield), C. Bird (Tetbury), C. K. Cook (Cholsey).

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD Dorchester Branch

Silver wedding anniversary congratulations were offered to Mr. and Mrs. H. House by members of the Dorchester Branch at their meeting at Fordington St. George, Dorchester, on April 25th. The occasion had also been honoured by Fordington ringers earlier in the week by a quarter peal.

The Vicar (Canon E. B. Brooks) conducted the service, and the Branch chairman (Rev. C. E. C. Brinkworth) read the lesson. Ringers and ladies of the church served tea to a company of 33 in the Moule Institute. Before the business meeting a silent tribute was observed for Mr. H. W. Stevens (Wool) and Mr. K. Loving (Frampton).

Next quarterly meeting, Wool, July 14th. Practice meetings: Cattistock, May 16th; Hilton, May 30th; St. Peter's Dorchester, June 13th (subject to confirmation).

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## ST. ANDREW'S UNIVERSITY GUILD

At the annual general meeting of the University of St. Andrew's Guild on May 5th the following elections for the 1964-65 session were made: Ringing Master, P. T. Dale; secretary, D. J. Cannon, Airlie Hall, Dundee; treasurer, Miss C. A. Buchanan.

## QUARTER PEALS

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCs.**—At St. Michael and All Angels' on April 30th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Christine Andrew 1, Margaret Wright 2, Derek J. Marshall 3, Ronald M. Edwards 4, Peter J. Malloch 5, Jeffrey Brannan 6, Frederick Shalkcross (first of Stedman as cond.) 7, C. John Clegg 8. First of Stedman for all except 6 and 7. To mark the christening of David John, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Harrison, ringers at this church.

**BLABY, LEICS.**—On May 6th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): A. J. Gray 1, R. Chapman 2, R. A. Cobley 3, B. C. Law (cond.) 4, J. H. Wale 5. For the christening of Elizabeth Louise Garner, niece of the conductor.

**CREATON, NORTHANTS.**—On April 25th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: A. Brown 1, W. Brown 2, E. Gautrey 3, T. Gillot 4, A. Millward 5, J. Goddard (cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to ringer of 5.

**EWELL, SURREY.**—On April 19th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: Mrs. C. W. Munday 1, P. J. Munday 2, Gladys Anderson 3, R. C. Spittle 4, J. E. Beams 5, A. S. Besant 6, C. W. Munday (cond.) 7, F. Willes 8. For Evensong and to celebrate the baptism of Ian Christopher Tucker, grandson of Mr. J. E. Beams, tower leader.

**FILTON, GLOS.**—On May 7th, 1,320 Doubles (four methods): Miss R. C. J. Sheldon 1, D. C. Haslum 2, Miss M. N. Haslum 3, A. Howard (cond.) 4, D. S. Voss 5, T. Moran (first quarter) 6.

**JARROW ON TYNE, CO. DURHAM.**—On May 9th, 1,440 Spliced Minor (720 Double Oxford and Single Oxford, 720 St. Clement's and Plain Bob): W. Davidson 1, Miss G. Douglas 2, Miss M. E. Murcott 3, A. G. Craddock 4, J. Crowther 5, M. Maughan (cond.) 6.

**LITTLE ASTON, STAFFS.**—On May 3rd, 1,440 Spliced Surprise Minor (six methods): D. W. Barr 1, Miss D. K. Moore 2, Miss M. C. Smith 3, E. W. Colley 4, P. G. Golder 5, M. W. Palfrey (cond.) 6. First of Spliced Surprise Minor by all the band. Rung to celebrate the Royal births.

**NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.**—On May 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. M. Goodchild 1, M. M. Powell 2, M. D. Trigg 3, Miss R. J. Kemp 4, J. H. Taylor (first as cond.) 5, Miss V. D. Howell 6. For Southampton University Guild.

**PUTNEY, LONDON.**—On May 3rd, 1,440 P.B. Minor: Julie S. Armstrong (first quarter) 1, L. W. Allen 2, B. H. Coatsworth 3, B. J. Bull 4, A. R. Millidge 5, D. C. Brookes (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**SANDY, BEDS.**—On April 27th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: Rose B. Davey 1, Miss J. Ashton 2, Charles Blain 3, Mrs. Jacqueline Wells 4, A. J. Davey 5, Paul E. Wells (cond.) 6.

**TOTTENHOE, BEDS.**—On April 11th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: R. J. Scott 1, Christine Smith 2, R. Stripp 3, J. L. Cloughton 4, D. Knox 5, A. G. Stripp 6, J. W. Sinfeld (cond.) 7, J. Newman 8. Rung in memory of Mr. Charles King, of Dunstable. Also on May 10th, 1,296 Little Bob Major: J. L. Cloughton 1, Christine Smith 2, R. Stripp 3, June Sinfeld 4, R. J. Scott 5, I. Knox 6, A. G. Stripp 7, J. W. Sinfeld (cond.) 8. For morning service. Also for evening service 720 Norwich Surprise Minor: Christine Smith 1, June Sinfeld 2, R. J. Scott 3, J. Cloughton 4, A. G. Stripp 5, J. W. Sinfeld (cond.) 6.

**WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.**—On April 19th, 1,277 Grand-sire Caters: Susan Secker 1, Sally Cobb 2, June Whitcher 3, Monica Horseman 4, D. E. Cobb 5, D. Hawkins 6, M. C. Austin 7, R. Durrant 8, R. J. Chapman (cond.) 9, D. S. Billimore 10. A compliment to Frank Jackson, organist and choirmaster of Waltham Abbey, 1909-1964, on his retirement.

**WENTWORTH, YOKES.**—On May 1st, 1,320 Doubles (five methods): Miss M. C. Bunting 1, Miss E. Cherry (first 'inside') 2, M. A. Beaumont 3, D. E. Archer 4, A. King (cond.) 5, D. Hunton 6. Rung to mark the jubilee anniversary of the Diocese of Sheffield.

**WEST HOATHLY, SUSSEX.**—On Good Friday, 1,260 Doubles (nine methods): J. Leppard 1, C. Jane Smart 2, D. Slater 3, M. P. Howard 4, J. A. Howard (cond.) 5, S. Comber 6. First in nine methods by all. Rung fully muffled with the tenor backstroke open, to mark the Passion of Our Lord. Also on April 12th, 1,260 Reverse Canterbury Doubles: Mrs. B. Leppard 1, D. A. E. Roberts 2, J. Leppard 3, B. W. Parke 4, D. Slater (cond.) 5, D. Comber 6. First in the method by all. For Evensong.

**WORCESTER.**—At the Church of St. John the Baptist in Bedwardine, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. J. Stanier 1, D. R. Morris 2, Mrs. J. Thomas 3, P. Cattermole 4, S. T. Holt (cond.) 5, R. G. Woodyard 6, H. Neill 7, T. W. Lewis 8. A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Lewis.



**QUARTER PEALS**

**HASLINGFIELD, CAMBS.**—On May 3rd, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: R. Mann 1, G. Barnard 2, W. J. Ridgman (cond.) 3, B. Horrell 4, A. E. Ling 5. In honour of the Royal births.

**SWAVESEY, CAMBS.**—On May 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss P. White 1, P. Leggett 2, D. Murfit 3, J. Causer 4, G. Walker 5, A. Payne (cond.) 6. For Feast Sunday at St. Andrew's, Swavesey.

**TRUMPINGTON, CAMBS.**—On April 26th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss C. E. Willers 1, Miss C. G. Williams 2, P. Border (cond.) 3, H. E. Bishop 4, T. R. Dennis 5, J. G. Gipson 6, W. J. Ridgman 7, A. W. Haslop 8. For the baptism of Carolyn Lucy Maddox, first born child of the Vicar.

**TWYNING, GLOS.**—On April 10th, 1,260 South-repps Bob Doubles: C. Haylings 1, A. Halling 2, Joan Gaine 3, B. Spiers 4, M. Hawkes (cond.) 5, J. Bennett 6. First in this variation by all the band. Also on April 22nd, 1,440 Chester Surprise Minor: C. Haylings 1, F. Hawkes 2, F. Lawrence 3, D. Price 4, J. Clements 5, M. Hawkes (cond.) 6. First in the method by all the band.

**WATLINGTON, NORFOLK.**—On May 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Gagen 1, M. Bryant 2, S. G. Elsey 3, V. Bowen 4, E. H. Mastin (cond.) 5, L. Houghton 6. Rung on the eve of Ascension Day, to celebrate the 80th birthday of Edward Barker (a local ringer), and also the birth of the first grandchild to the ringer of 4.

**WIMBLEDON, SURREY.**—On Jan. 19th, 1,260 Minor: E. Zass 1, V. Rodrigues 2, D. Gough 3, G. Reynolds 4, A. Bagworth 5, A. Bishop (cond.) 6. Also on Jan. 26th, 1,280 Yorkshire Major: D. Gough 1, A. Bishop 2, V. Rodrigues 3, S. Newman 4, M. Bangham 5, G. Reynolds 6, K. Newman 7, A. Bagworth 8. Also on Feb. 9th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: E. Zass 1, J. Geiringer 2, D. Cocke 3, V. Rodrigues 4, M. Bangham 5, R. Rawlings (first of Major as cond.) 6, A. Bagworth 7, G. Reynolds 8. Also on Mar. 8th, 1,280 Yorkshire: D. Cocke 1, A. Bishop 2, R. Rawlings 3, V. Rodrigues 4, J. Geiringer 5, M. Port 6, G. Reynolds 7, A. Bagworth (cond.) 8. Also on April 26th, 1,320 Double Court Minor: E. Zass 1, M. Bangham 2, G. Reynolds 3, R. Rawlings 4, A. Bagworth 5, A. Bishop (cond.) 6. Also on May 3rd, 1,260 Bob Minor: G. Reynolds 1, E. Zass (first 'inside') 2, D. Cocke 3, V. Rodrigues 4, M. Bangham 5, A. Bagworth (cond.) 6.

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## DECISIONS AND OPINIONS AT TRURO

NO one who made the long journey into Cornwall to attend the 67th annual meeting of the Central Council, and the first in the county, will regret it. The visit was a glorious experience; a beautiful county, many good rings of bells, and warm friendship to be found everywhere. Moreover, it was a county of ringers who would gladden the heart of any Sunday service chairman. According to the Lord Bishop, only 14 out of the 160 towers are silent on a Sunday—seven because the bells were unsafe and five through lack of ringers. The majority of these may be call-change ringers but they are fulfilling the office of ringers in the Church.

In the last few years there has been a change of attitude towards call-change ringers. On Tuesday the hand of fellowship was extended by the president to two representatives of the Devon Association (a call-change body) and there were favourable references to the call-change ringers' art. Instead of Cinques and Maximus on 12 bells in broadcasting why not try call-changes, was a suggestion made during a debate on broadcasting, particularly of the bells on Christmas Day. Most 12-bell ringing is too fast for good recording as the trebles are indistinguishable when mixed with heavier bells. That was more or less the official opinion in making a plea that 12-bell ringing should be slower. It started a big wail. The Council was reminded of the glories of St. Paul's ringing at the President Kennedy memorial service and the superb ringing broadcast from St. Martin's, Birmingham. We think 12-bell bands will heed the advice of Mr. Harold Pitstow and ring slower for such occasions when recordings and live broadcasts are made. English ringing would not be representative without 12-bell ringing—our pride in every corner except in the matter of broadcasting.

The recent visit to Washington was the principal 'buzz.' Eight who were present at Washington attended Truro and regaled hearers with their experiences. Included in the report of the Overseas Committee was a talk by George Pipe on the trip. There was also the presentation of gifts from Washington. High hopes are entertained that from the enthusiastic reception accorded to change-ringing, which was listened to by thousands, there will emerge something lasting and permanent. A special Washington number is to be produced by 'The Ringing World.'

'The Ringing World' occupied a prominent place on the agenda. A new convener of the committee was appointed. To the regret of his colleagues and the Council, Mr. J. F. Smallwood retired from office on account of advancing years and for health reasons. Since the Chester meeting of 1952 he has directed the affairs of the committee with a shrewdness and knowledge of printing which has added to the appeal of the journal. The last balance

sheet he presented showed 'The Ringing World' investments at £6,500 and cash at bankers and in hand of £3,135. He wanted to see £10,000 behind 'The Ringing World' before he let go the reins of office, and it has practically been fulfilled. To him the Council proposes to confer its highest honour of life membership, and this will take place at Northampton in 1965.

Although there is this substantial reserve behind the paper, rising costs are a cause of apprehension. Despite economies, production costs increased by £589 last year while revenue only increased by £111. The profit of 1963 was realised by investment income of £276 and donations of £477. To bridge this gap, two methods were announced. Postal subscribers are to be asked to pay another 2s. per annum, and this will come into operation with renewals due on July 1st. At present the postal subscriber pays just 4d. for a year's copies! The other increase is in respect of small advertisements, by introducing a common charge of 4s. for 30 words. Providing revenue from donations—mainly quarter peals—is maintained, it should be possible to produce more 24-page issues.

We have been passing through a silly phase, particularly in one quarter, in regard to the naming of new methods. In no outspoken language was there a condemnation of these foolish efforts. 'Ob,' said Mr. Wilfrid Moreton, 'is "Bo" backwards, and this is like saying "Bo" to the Council and ringing generally.' There were three changes and a fourth is under consideration. Mr. Denis Bayles was mainly attacking these and others in his motion for systematic nomenclature. A great step forward was an acceptance that once a method was named, even in a spliced peal, that name should be permanent. But no alteration of past names or reducing naming to numbers can be tolerated, otherwise chaos will ensue. It would, however, be helpful in the naming of new methods if there can be an association with the parent. In H. and M.'s computer list it will be found that there is a host of methods with only one pair of places different from Cambridge. Why could they not be called after colleges?

The message of Truro was that the Exercise was in a healthy state. Peal ringing in 1963, at 2,961, was 137 more than in the previous year, and this year peals are even more prolific. A slight abridgement in the way they are set in type is planned. Most areas are able to impart an improvement in Sunday service ringing and the quality of ringing seems even higher. But 1963 will live in bell history by the ringing of the extent of Major; and the spontaneous applause that greeted Mr. R. B. Smith, the conductor of 'the Everest' of ringing, at Truro, revealed what all present felt of that wonderful achievement. From Truro also came wonderful fellowship, and among the memories are Cornish pasties and saffron cakes, a happy touch at the reception after the Council meeting.



# BISHOP TELLS CENTRAL COUNCIL OF TRURO DIOCESE SUNDAY SERVICE RECORD

**A** RADIANT Cornwall welcomed the Central Council to Truro this Whitsun. The opening of the second session of the 25th Council (67th annual meeting) had all the tradition and dignity which accompanies visits to different parts of the country. The meeting took place in Truro Town Hall on Whit Tuesday and was attended by the Mayor and Mayoress (Councillor Eric A. Brown and Mrs. Brown), the Lord Bishop of Truro (Dr. J. M. Key) and the president and other officers of the Truro Guild.

The Mayor, in his welcome to members to the ancient city of Truro, said it was the first time the Central Council had visited Truro, and he hoped it would not be the last. The history of the Council was extremely interesting and its formation followed a dinner given on Easter Tuesday (April 8th), 1890, by Sir Arthur Heywood, and the first meeting was held the following Easter Tuesday and was attended by 76 delegates representing 33 Societies. Sir Arthur was president of the Council until his death in 1916. The nearest meeting the Council had held to Truro was at Plymouth in 1932, when several members visited Truro and a peal was conducted on the Cathedral bells by Mr. J. S. Goldsmith, the Editor of 'The Ringing World.'

The Truro Diocesan Guild was founded in 1897, but was not represented on the Council until 1908, when Mr. W. H. Southeard was elected the first representative. The Central Council had had six presidents and six secretaries.

Giving an indication of ringing, the Mayor said there were 5,345 rings of bells in the British Isles and only 60 in the rest of the world. Recently a team of English bellringers had visited America to ring for the dedication of the tower and bells of Washington Cathedral.

The Lord Bishop, who in his own words 'seconded the Mayor's welcome' said it was four years since he came to the diocese and he was getting more and more fond of his adopted county. He welcomed them on behalf of the diocese, and also on account of the position he held in the Guild, but he had to admit he was very much a learner in the art and skill of a bell ringer.

## SUNDAY RINGING IN TRURO DIOCESE

One of the duties of a Bishop was to visit his diocese and that could be done in a technical way in making comprehensive inquiries of what was going on in the parishes. He made an inquiry about bellringers in the diocese two years ago. They had about 200 parishes in the diocese and 160 had rings of bells. Of those bells only 14 were not rung on a Sunday, seven because the bells were not fit to ring and five because there were no ringers.

He then inquired if the ringers attended church after ringing and was told that only in one church did they not attend. Another incumbent replied that they attended, except the Methodists who rang and then went to chapel. This showed that the ringers did their part not only in ringing but in worship and this, he believed, was true throughout the country. The Bishop said he also discovered that there were at least 250 learning to ring, which, he thought, was very encouraging.

Concluding, his lordship said he had only mastered one bell—the tenor—in the village where he was brought up. He, however, knew something of the art and delight of the bells; they were then somewhat suspicious of anything 'scientific.'

Another welcome came from Mr. Alan Carveth, Master and president of the Truro Guild, who said the Guild were delighted to make arrangements for their visit and he hoped they would take away with them pleasant memories of their city and county.

The president (Canon Gilbert Thurlow), in returning thanks for the welcome, congratulated the Mayor on the way he had done his 'prep' and, to the Bishop, said his diocese had given an example to the Exercise in having only 14 towers that were not rung each Sunday and 250 learners. Their children would look forward to ringing for the Coronation of a King of England for, whatever their Welsh representatives might say, before he was Prince of Wales he was Duke of Cornwall.

## ATTENDANCE

**LIFE MEMBERS.**—Canon A. G. G. Thurlow, Mr. E. A. Barnett, Mr. F. Sharpe.

**HONORARY MEMBERS.**—Mrs. E. A. Barnett, Mr. F. I. Hairs, Mr. D. Hughes, Mr. C. K. Lewis, Mr. W. A. Osborn, Mr. H. N. Pittow, Mr. G. W. Pipe, Mr. H. L. Roper, Mr. E. C. Shepherd, Mr. R. F. B. Speed, Mrs. R. F. B. Speed, Mr. P. L. Taylor, Mr. T. W. White, Mr. J. Willis.

Ancient Society of College Youths: Messrs. W. T. Cook, J. F. Smallwood, W. Williams.

Australia and New Zealand Association: Mr. P. M. J. Gray.

Bath and Wells Diocesan Association: Messrs. J. H. Gilbert, A. H. Reed and H. J. Sanger.

Cambridge University Guild: Dr. C. M. P. Johnson and Mr. B. D. Threlfall.

Chester Diocesan Guild: Miss A. D. Edwards and Mr. J. Scott.

Coventry Diocesan Guild: Mrs. D. E. Beamish.

Derby Diocesan Association: Messrs. G. A. Halls and M. Phipps.

Devon Association: Messrs. B. Bartlett, T. Darch, H. Pidler.

Dudley and District Guild: Mr. H. J. Shuck.

Durham and Newcastle Association: Messrs. K. Arthur and D. A. Bayles.

East Grinstead and District Guild: Mr. E. J. Ladd.

Ely Diocesan Association: Messrs. J. G. Gipson, E. H. Mastin, H. S. Peacock.

Essex Association: Messrs. P. J. Eves, F. B. Lufkin, J. E. G. Roast and Miss H. G. Snowden.

Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association: Messrs. A. L. Barry, W. B. Kynaston, C. A. Wratten.

Guildford Diocesan Guild: Messrs. D. A. R. May, S. G. Ponting, W. H. Viggers, J. F. M. Maybrey.

Guild of Devonshire Ringers: Miss B. M. Boyle, Mr. N. Mallett, Rev. J. G. M. Scott.

Hereford Diocesan Guild: Messrs. G. Cousins and P. Morgan.

Hertford County Association: Messrs. W. Ayre, R. G. Bell, G. W. Critchley and G. Dodds.

Irish Association: Mr. F. E. Dukes, Mrs. F. E. Dukes and Mr. J. T. Dunwoody.

Kent County Association: Messrs. P. A. Corby, T. Cullingworth and I. H. Oram.

Ladies' Guild: Miss J. Beresford and Mrs. P. J. Staniforth.

Lancashire Association: Messrs. J. E. Burles, C. Crosswaite and J. P. Partington.

Leicester Diocesan Guild: Messrs. S. Burton, J. M. Jelley, P. J. Staniforth and B. G. Warwick.

Lincoln Diocesan Guild: Messrs. J. Bray, G. E. Feirn, J. Freeman and J. L. Millhouse. Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association: Mrs. D. J. King and Mr. T. M. Roderick.

London County Association: Mr. H. W. Rogers, Mrs. H. W. Rogers and Mr. W. G. Wilson.

Middlesex County Association: Messrs. F. T. Blagrove, F. W. Goodfellow, T. J. Lock and J. R. Mayne.

Midland Counties Guild: Mr. J. W. Cotton.

North Staffordshire Association: Mr. R. S. Anderson.

Norwich Diocesan Association: Messrs. H. W. Barrett and N. V. Harding.

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Oxford Society: Mr. F. A. H. Wilkins.

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St. David's Diocesan Guild: Mr. R. C. Warburton.

St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham: Mr. G. E. Fearn.

Salisbury Diocesan Guild: Messrs. J. T. Barrett, C. H. Harding, and G. S. Morris.

Sheffield and District Society: Mr. N. Chadcock.

Shropshire Association: Mr. R. B. Morris.

Society of Royal Cumberland Youths: Messrs. D. Beresford, W. H. Dobbie and Dr. D. E. Sibson.

South Derbyshire and North Leicestershire Association: Mr. J. Collins.

Southwell Diocesan Guild: Messrs. J. D. Clarke and W. L. Exton.

Stafford Archdeaconry Society: Messrs. G. W. Hughes and B. G. Key.

Suffolk Guild: Miss A. E. J. Lester and Mr. C. W. Pipe.

Surrey Association: Messrs. N. S. Bagworth, F. E. Collins and W. Parrott.

Sussex County Association: Mrs. F. I. Hairs, Messrs. R. W. R. Percy, A. V. Sheppard and W. L. Weller.

Swansea and Brecon Diocesan Guild: Mr. G. I. Lewis.

Truro Diocesan Guild: Messrs. W. C. Boucher, D. Burnett, A. J. Davidson and A. Lock.

University of Bristol Society: Dr. T. P. Edwards.

University of London Society: Dr. D. N. Layton.

Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild: Mr. A. V. Davis, Canon K. W. H. Felstead and Mr. J. Hartless.

Worcestershire and Districts Association: Messrs. B. C. Ashford, D. Beacham and W. B. Cartwright.

Yorkshire Association: Messrs. G. Benfield, V. Bottomley, W. E. Critchley and W. F. Moreton.

## APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Fletcher, Messrs. A. A. Hughes, J. T. Dykes, J. P. Fidler, Mrs. C. C. Marshall, Messrs. A. J. Pitman, L. Stilwell, C. G. J. Watts, G. Salmon, J. H. Edwards, J. McKay, J. W. Clarke, T. C. Myers, H. Windsor, T. H. Radford, T. A. Bevis, J. J. Webb, A. T. Wingate, J. R. Cooper, Miss D. E. Colgate, Messrs. R. Leigh, C. W. Otley, D. H. B. Millward, F. N. Golden, D. J. Smith, E. Billings, F. E. Haynes, W. C. West, R. St. G. Wilson, F. E. Hawthorne, L. G. Brett, Miss M. R. Cross, Messrs. F. W. Rogers, H. O. Baker, E. H. Edge and P. I. Chapman.

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**CENTRAL COUNCIL—Cont.**

The President commented that the absence of some of their senior members in Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Fletcher and Mr. A. A. Hughes seemed to mark a turning point in the history of the Council. He was sure they very much regretted their absence.

**PRESENTATIONS**

The following new members were presented to the President: Messrs. T. Darch and H. Pidler (Devon Association), J. F. M. Maybrey (Guildford Guild), P. Morgan (Hereford Guild), J. P. Partington (Lancashire Association), W. L. Weller (Sussex Association), A. J. Davidson and G. Locke (Truro Guild).

**MR. A. A. HUGHES HONOURED**

Mr. F. W. Perrins proposed on behalf of the Standing Committee that Mr. A. A. Hughes be elected a life member of the Council. He said that few words of his were needed for the condition of such membership stated: 'life members shall consist in the opinion of the Council of those by reason of their services in the art of ringing merited the conferring of life membership.' When this came into being, it was decided that life membership should only be conferred on those who had rendered special services. Mr. Hughes had been a member of the Council since 1915 and together with Mrs. Fletcher had, he believed, been a member of the Council for nine years longer than any other member. He had given 49 years of faithful service; he had been a very active member and had acted as the auditor for many years. When 'The Ringing World' was taken over by the Council after the death of its originator, Mr. Goldsmith, many difficulties had to be overcome and one of the biggest was in the matter of finance. Here Mr. Hughes came to the rescue in guaranteeing in the case of loss. In those days 'The Ringing World' was not in the position it was today; it was due to his kindness and generosity that 'The Ringing World' was able to continue without any break.

Seconding Mr. J. Frank Smallwood said he heard from Mr. Hughes a few weeks ago stating that he was feeling excellent in himself but his mobility was impaired in his legs; nevertheless he was gradually improving and they hoped he would live long to enjoy the privilege of life membership.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

**HONORARY MEMBERS**

The Hon. Secretary reported that there were now six vacancies for honorary members. The Standing Committee recommended that the retiring members (Mrs. R. F. B. Speed and G. W. Pipe) be re-elected and that Mr. F. A. White, of Appleton, be elected. They also recommended that Mr. John Betjeman be approached for honorary membership next year and the remaining vacancies be left.

**LOSSES BY DEATH**

The Council stood while the following members were remembered: Mr. E. H. Lewis, Mr. A. C. Hazelden, Canon R. F. Wilkinson, Messrs. W. Rose, H. Stalham, T. H. Taffender and Derek Ogden.

The President paid a tribute to Mr. E. H. Lewis, recalling how he was held in great affection of all members. At Brasted he restored the bells and taught many people to ring. He recalled his open days once a year and his work for the Kent County Association. For a time he lived at Frodsham, Cheshire, where he did much for the Chester Diocesan Guild in encouraging method ringing. He also lived at Tring and in Scotland.

Mr. Lewis, he said, was Master of the College Youths in its tercentenary year (1937). He represented Cambridge University Guild on the Council from 1906-1936, was an hon.



**MR. R. S. ANDERSON**  
the new Convener of 'The Ringing World' Committee.

member 1936-1951 and from 1951-1963 a life member. When President he was a wonderful example of what a chairman should be. He was a distinguished member of the Towers and Belfries Committee, a donor of many valuable books to the Council's library and would always be remembered for his work on the mechanics of bells.

'I remember him,' concluded the President, 'as a most kind and patient leader and nothing seemed to ruffle him. I was so grateful that he was present at Yarmouth.'

Mr. D. A. R. May in a tribute to Mr. A. C. Hazelden said everyone knew how meticulous he was in his work for the Central Council. He would like to mention his work at St. Nicolas, Guildford. Mr. Hazelden had trained many ringers who had gone to many parts of the world and they were all most grateful to him. They remembered the way he had established the library of the Guildford Guild.

The tribute to Mr. Wm. Rose, of the Peterborough Guild, was paid by Mr. Norman Chaddock. He was a good striker and would not tolerate anything slapdash, he said.

Mr. A. V. Sheppard spoke of the lovable qualities of Harry Stalham and Mr. Edgar Shepherd recalled his recollections of Canon Wilkinson when he was at Mansfield, 40 years ago. He was a very capable ringer who did a lot for the advancement of ringing in Nottingham.

A member of the Central Council for 62 years, the late Mr. T. H. Taffender, received a tribute from Mr. Harold Rogers. Mr. Taffender, he said, was a senior past master of the Ancient Society of College Youths which he joined in 1893, and a member of St. Paul's Cathedral band for over 60 years. He joined the London County Association in 1895 and served for 65 years as an officer and as Master for 50 years. He would be best known for the encouragement and help he gave to young ringers all over the county.

Mr. C. Crossthwaite recalled the sudden and untimely death at the age of 30 of Mr. Derek Ogden, who was only elected a member of the Council last year. He was not well known to Council members but in Lancashire he was extremely well known and admired by everybody. He had a quiet, efficient manner and even people who did not know him personally appreciated his achievements. He was President of the Manchester University Guild and secretary of the Manchester District of the Lancashire Association.

**MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the last meeting, which were published in 'the Ringing World' of March 20th and had been circulated to members, were adopted on the proposition of the secretary, seconded by Mr. F. I. Hairs.

**THE HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Probably the most outstanding event during 1963 was the service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Mr. Edwin H. Lewis at St. Michael's, Cornhill, on November 2nd. The church was almost full and those able to attend were privileged to take part in a most impressive service, conducted by Canon Felstead, and heard an outstanding address by our president. Mr. Frederick Sharpe read the lesson and representative bands rang before, and on handbells during, the service. It should perhaps now be placed on record that at the time of Mr. Lewis's retirement from the presidency in 1957 I approached the then Archbishop of Canterbury, at the suggestion of Mr. R. G. Blackman, of the Sussex Association, to ask if he would consider recommending Mr. Lewis for inclusion in an Honours List. Although His Grace could not see his way to do this a most courteous reply was received from him.

Reference is made elsewhere in the reports to the death of Mr. A. C. Hazelden. A telegram of congratulation was sent on behalf of the Council to Mr. and Mrs. Hazelden on the occasion of their diamond wedding anniversary in September.

The Council's good wishes were also sent to Que Que, Southern Rhodesia, where a ring of four hung for ringing was dedicated on October 18th.

A copy of 'The Ringing World,' in which were reported a number of peals and quarter peals in memory of President Kennedy, was sent to the American Ambassador and an acknowledgment said that it had been forwarded to Washington.

Numerous inquiries were received from the public. Among them, 'Woman' magazine wished to include a reference to ringing in a leaflet on hobbies; the Dean of Lincoln asked for information on bell-recording on behalf of an American inquirer, who later sent a letter of thanks, adding that he played it for his wife every Sunday!; several students who had chosen bells for special study sought information; two free-lance journalists asked various questions; and a suggested handbell-ringing syllabus for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award was provided at the request of Benenden School.

Once again I record my thanks to Mr. W. G. Wilson and Miss Groves for typing and duplicating these papers and to Association secretaries who send me copies of their reports. I am sorry that lack of time prevents me from acknowledging these individually.

E. A. BARNETT, Hon Secretary.

This was moved by the secretary and seconded by Mr. W. E. Critchley and carried.

**TRUSTEES OF THE JOHN CARTER RINGING MACHINE**

The machine was run on five days during the year and seen by 34 visitors. Touches of Stedman Triples, Stedman Cinques, Plain Bob Major, London Surprise Major and Bristol Surprise Major were rung. The new trustee, Mr. F. E. Haynes, was introduced to the machine in March and on September 7th he umpired the first peal on the machine, which was conducted by Mr. John Chilcott and consisted of 5,019 of Stedman Cinques, composed by John Carter (C.C.C. No. 15).

The machine continues to run well but it is hoped to replace the two recording pens shortly.

(Signed)

A. A. HUGHES,  
DOUGLAS HUGHES,  
FRANK E. HAYNES,

Trustees.

(CC Report continued next week)

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# Letters to the Editor

## Standard Notation

Dear Sir,—It is unfortunate that Mr. C. A. Lewis disapproves of the position of the dividing lines in the Doubles methods in the Diary. In treble-dominated odd-bell methods, the division is governed by the presence or absence of a bell in the hunt. Thus in the Doubles methods on the front endpaper, the lead is symmetrical about a line drawn between the hand and backstrokes of the treble's lead. If there is a bell in the hunt, as in Grandsire, the lead is symmetrical about a line drawn between the whole pull leads of the treble and the bell in the hunt; in such methods, the backstroke of the treble's lead is correctly called the lead end, whereas in most methods it is the lead head.

The anomalous location of the lines in diagrams that were made for early editions of the Diary and are still in use was due to thoughtless copying of the obsolete style of Snowdon's Standard Methods. Now that the Diary contains about as many diagrams as can be included without increasing the number of pages and hence the price, the old blocks are gradually being replaced by what I regard as improved versions.

Mr. McClenahan's remarks about place notation are relevant in this connection. I had always understood that only internal places were noted in expressing a Surprise method, and followed this convention in Surprise Major and Royal diagrams in the Diary. I am now convinced that the slightly greater brevity is not a sufficient justification for omitting external places in the case of Surprise methods, when by including them the notation becomes applicable to non-Surprise methods and even to non-treble-dominated methods. I think, however, that the typography proposed by Mr. McClenahan could be improved: it results in an unbroken sequence of places which, in the example he gives, has been grouped by the compositor in a confusing manner. I suggest that places within a section should be punctuated by full-stops, but that a dash (preferably an en rule) should separate the cross-section places from the others. The bob places could be given in parentheses after the plain lead places, followed by the lead head number: the Hudson and McClenahan false course head information could be appended if desired. Guildford S. Major would then be written: x.58.x-14-58.x.58-36-x.14.x-38-14.36.x-58, 18 (14). LH6.

Regarding the lead heads of the plain course, there seems to be no good reason for calling the second one the first. But since there is no doubt which is being referred to when identifying a method, it can simply be referred to as 'the lead head.' Readers who do not possess either of the publications using lead head numbers can obtain them by writing out the lead heads of Plain Bob Major and numbering them 0-6: rounds is 0, 13527486 is 1, and so on.

MAURICE HODGSON.

Chesham.

## Error in Association Report

Dear Sir,—I should be grateful for space in which to correct a mistake in the annual report of the Yorkshire Association of Change Ringers for 1963, which has recently been published.

On page 31, in the paragraph of the Committee's Report devoted to the 1963 Snowdon Dinner held in Leeds on October 12th, Mr. Gordon Benfield and Mr. R. J. Lumley are thanked for the work they did in preparation for the dinner. In actual fact it was Mr. Fred Munday, of Bradford Cathedral, and not Mr. Lumley who shared with Mr. Benfield (and Mr. W. Barton, too, incidentally) all the preliminary arrangements for the event. Mr. Munday's was indeed the lion's share.

I alone am responsible for the error and would like to apologise to Mr. Munday for attributing his much appreciated labours to someone else, to the members generally for misreading them, and to Mr. Lumley for taking his name in vain. A correction will be made

## Place Notation and 'Lead Ends'

Dear Sir,—I would like to refer to two letters on page 324 of the issue of 'The Ringing World' of May 15th, 1964, on these matters.

A 'one-line' simple, inclusive version of place-notation for the half-lead was devised long ago, but its use depends upon correct recognition of what is meant by the terms 'lead-head' and 'lead-end,' and of the proper distinction between them, a distinction still discounted, apparently, by one or two who should know better!

Unfortunately, Mr. McClenahan's definition of these terms is not generic, and to that extent may be misleading; that is to say, if a definition of 'lead-head' and 'lead-end' is to apply to all hunt-controlled methods. His distinction is limited to single-hunt controlled methods—a part only of what was made clear half a century ago by that eminent ringer and writer, the late Rev. C. D. P. Davies, in his pamphlet entitled 'Lead Ends.'

Briefly, a comprehensive distinction would run something like this: The terms 'lead-head' and 'lead-end' refer to particular change-rows: whereas in place notation the symbols refer to what happens between the change-rows, and, in the case of the rows under consideration, between the end-row of any one 'lead' and the head-row of the ensuing 'lead.' It is, in fact, the nature or form of the permutation between those two rows; and for convenience in theoretic discussion we have long since called this permutation the 'Link.' (Obviously, as well as a normal link there can be 'Bob' links and 'Single' links.)

But now comes the vital point. In hunt-controlled methods the link can occur in one of two positions, in the change-rows, according as to whether the method is single hunt-controlled or twin hunt-controlled. Simple examples are found in Plain Bob, for the former, and Grandsire, for the latter. Put another way, we may say that the 'rule-off' or dividing line between the 'leads' (or 'divisions') of these two classes of method, differs in its position between the rows by just one row-interval. As to exactly where this dividing line or link comes, we cannot do better than refer to dicta of the Central Council on this matter.

In their 'Rules and Decisions,' 1904 edition, page 22, paras: (a) and (b) we read: 'In methods with one hunt (treble) (the division) is between the first and second blows of the whole pull of the hunt, before or behind.' And again, 'In methods with two hunts (treble and bell in the hunt) (the division is) midway between the whole pull of the first hunt and the whole pull of the second hunt, before or behind.' (The phrase 'before or behind' is added to cover 'Reverse' methods.) Further authority is to be found in the Council's 'Handbook,' 1956 edition page 24, where the dictum of 'Rules and Decisions' is repeated.

This may be summed up in simple language as follows: Rounds row, normally at the back-stroke blow of the treble's leading, comes at the head of a 'lead' in single-hunt controlled methods; but at the end of a lead in twin-hunt controlled methods. Therefore the 'rule off' line must come above rounds-row in all single-hunt methods, but below rounds-row in all but twin-hunt methods.

These C.C. definitions and their consequences do not appear to be universally known or recognised, as Mr. Colin A. Lewis' letter (advising what would be confusion as to the position of the 'rule-off' line) appears to indicate. A little care devoted to their consideration will lead to a clear conclusion.

That the principles of method structure, as accepted to-day, are dependent upon them, is yet another point.—Yours very truly,

A. YORK-BRAMBLE.  
Hon. Principal, C. of C.

in the next annual report, but that is a long time to wait. Hence, sir, with your kind indulgence, this letter.—Yours sincerely,

C. O. ELLISON,  
President, Yorks Assn.

Leeds.

## OBITUARY

### MR. J. S. HAWKINS

A member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, the London County Association and Oxford Diocesan Guild for over 60 years, Mr. Joseph Stephen Hawkins, passed away peacefully in his chair on December 31st, at St. Clement Danes' Estate, of which he had been superintendent for nine years.

Joe started his ringing at Marlow, Bucks. and was afterwards associated with Boyne Hill, Maidenhead, Berks, St. Clement Danes', Strand, and St. Andrew's, Holborn.

He was a Past Master of the College Youths, and they were represented at his funeral by a Past Master, the London County Association by its Master and other members, the Oxford Diocesan Guild by its treasurer, the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths by its Master, the Ladies' Guild by its treasurer and also a representative from Boyne Hill tower. A. D. B.

## AN APPRECIATION

'Joe' departed from us quietly on December 31st last, just as he wished, active to the last, amongst the small community with whom he had lived for some years. He had been reluctant to join in any ringing for some years because he could not trust his hands to grip a rope, but he maintained a keen interest all the time. He valued his many friends, especially in Gloucester and district and was always pleased to see anyone who called to see him; he appreciated, therefore, Mr. W. R. Winterton's visit on Christmas Eve. Many of us remember the 'welcome to St. Clements' Passage near the 'Olde Curiosity Shop' by Joe and Mrs. Hawkins during the '20's and '30's. Last year we mentioned at the Veterans' Reunion how Joe had formed the St. Andrew's, Holborn, band in 1923 and had maintained the best Sunday service band in London on that wonderful ring until 1945. He was a Jovial College Youth and was Master during 1928 and again in 1932. At the dinners for those years we read of a record attendance of 262 for 1928 and 200 for 1932; also that 32 new members were elected during 1928 and 39 during 1939 'from all parts of the country.' We know how popular Joe was and on his slender means he achieved much.

Joe had rung many peals and his name is on belfry boards in many towers. His last was the 'perfect' peal of Stedman Triples at Finchley, conducted by Albert W. Coles, and most appropriately we can thank the Cumberlands for ringing a silent peal of Stedman Triples to his memory at Milton-next-Gravesend.

His name is written in the records for good work done and will never be forgotten. J. E.

### MR. CECIL E. CARR

The death took place at his home at Broughton Astley, Leics, of Mr. Cecil E. Carr on March 22nd. He had been suffering from a heart complaint for the past 18 months and had consequently done very little ringing in that time. Cecil had been a ringer at Broughton Astley for many years. He had taken part in 100 peals (50 for the L.D.G. and 51 for the old M.C.A.). The peal he was most proud of was the first ever for Hinckley District band (Cambridge Surprise Major, rung at Earl Shilton on April 2nd, 1949). Cecil ringing the third. He joined the old M.C.A. in 1924 and was a member till the formation of the L.D.G. in 1946, of which he was a member till his death.

The funeral took place at St. Mary's. The L.D.G. were represented by their president (Mr. F. K. Measures) and other ringing friends. As the final part of the funeral service was taking place in the cemetery a quarter peal of 1,260 Grandsire Doubles was commenced, being brought round successfully 45 minutes later. The ringers were: Mrs. M. E. Brown 1, A. Ballard (cond.) 2, M. E. Brown 3, N. Price 4, W. Johnson 5, W. R. Drury 6.



## THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY

The 20th annual general meeting of the University of London Society was held on May 9th.

Ringling commenced on the somewhat doubtful eight at Dalston and continued at Cubitt Town in the Isle of Dogs. After lunch, Rotherhithe, St. George's, Borough Road, and the Society's home tower, St. Olave's, Hart Street, were visited. The service at St. Olave's was conducted by the Rev. M. Dean, and was followed by an excellent tea in the Parish Hall. The chair at the meeting was taken by the president, Mr. Philip Gray.

In his report, the retiring Master, Mr. Alan Frost, reminded the meeting of the role of a University Society. This was to renew the ties with past members, to encourage new members and to form an integrated society. Sunday evening service ringing had continued to be well attended, perhaps spurred on by the thought of coffee and handbells after the service. Quite a number of quarter peals had been rung at St. Vedast's and at St. Clement Danes'. Other ringing activities had been two highly successful tours in the Slough and North Kent areas. Another well-attended function had been the annual dinner.

The Master noted that the 150th peal had been rung during the year, including several long lengths and a ladies' peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major. In addition, two members, J. C. Eisel and B. J. Woodruffe, took part in the extent of Plain Bob Major at Loughborough. In conclusion, he thanked the Rev. M. Dean and Canon Mortlock for the continued use of the bells of St. Olave's and St. Vedast's.

The secretary, Mrs. Diana Frost, said that the social activities had increased, the tours being supported by more new undergraduates than ever before. Membership now stood at 184, which included 16 new members elected last year. She thanked the Society for a wedding present.

Before the election of the officers for the next year, the president informed the Society that he wished to stand down from the office as he felt that after five years a change was desirable. In a short account of his term of office, he said that no less than 15 members of the Society were on the Central Council, and he felt that this showed that past members were continuing to lead the Exercise.

The following officers were elected: President, Mr. D. Martin; vice-presidents, Messrs. D. Layton, A. Thirst and P. M. J. Gray; Ringing Master, Mr. R. O. Humphries (Imperial); hon. secretary, Miss Y. Edwards (Bedford); hon. treasurer, Mr. R. W. Powell (Imperial); auditor, Mr. P. Layton; committee, Mr. A. J. Frost, Mr. A. G. Tyers and Miss B. G. Dale.

The wife of the Rector of St. Olave's, Mrs. Dean, was elected an honorary life member for her services to the Society.

Future meetings: General meeting, October 17th, 1964; Annual Dinner, February 13th, 1965; Annual general meeting, May 8th, 1965.

There are still vacancies on the summer tour in Hereford and South Wales—Saturday, July 4th, to Sunday, July 12th. Anyone interested should contact the secretary. R. W. P.

## THE EAST RIDING RINGERS

This year the East Riding Ringers chose the Yorkshire dales for their Whit Monday outing—so ensuring both magnificent bells and countryside. En route the splendid eight at Tadcaster were sampled with a variety of methods—although the Surprise Ringers met with their first misfortune when Superlative broke down a lead from home. Then on to Birstwith, in Nidderdale, for a picnic lunch and an hour on the very tuneful Warner eight. Here the bells seemed to prefer the odd-bell methods. At Addingham (6), in Wharfedale, key difficulty was experienced but the belfry door was eventually released to reveal Yorkshire tail ends, so giving some of the younger ringers their first chance to try them. All the more interesting after the recent controversy in 'The Ringing World'.

The Yorkshire tail-ends were especially appreciated on the glorious eight at Skipton, although time here was reduced due to traffic hold-ups. After retracing our path through the rain, Ilkley was reached for a restaurant tea. The bells of Jasper Snowdon's home tower were then rung to many methods; and here some Surprise did actually come round!!

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On May 2nd the North and East District of the Middlesex Association held a joint meeting with the Watford District of the Hertford County Association at St. Mary's, Finchley. This was the first time a meeting had been held at this tower for several years.

Although the meeting was very well supported, unfortunately the representation from the Watford District was very small. In the absence of the Vicar the service was conducted by the Curate, the Rev. A. Bacon, who gave a very enlightening address. Tea was served in one of the spacious new halls.

The District chairman passed a vote of thanks to the Vicar, Curate and lady organist, also the ladies who prepared tea and especially to the Parochial Church Council who so generously provided a very good tea, and last, but by no means least, to Mr. L. Tubb, captain of the local ringers, without whose help and assistance the meeting would not have been the success it proved to be.

## Gratefully Acknowledged

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## LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD Hinckley District Striking Competition

The Hinckley District striking contest was held at Higham-on-the-Hill on April 25th. Six Sunday service bands from the District entered. The test piece was a minimum of five minutes and a maximum of ten minutes, starting with approximately two minutes' trial. The first team to ring was Higham, who rang Grandsire Doubles with 52½ faults; followed by Earl Shilton, Grandsire Doubles, 19½ faults; Mancetter, Doubles on the back five, 53½ faults; Stoney-Stanton, Plain Bob Minor, 63½ faults; Thurlaston, Grandsire Doubles, 143½ faults; Sapcote, Spliced Surprise six methods, 31½ faults. Earl Shilton, being the winners, were presented with the District Shield by Mr. J. Garner-Hayward (Warwick), who judged the contest with Mr. H. Summers (Allesley) and Mr. H. M. Windsor (Wolvey). M. E. B.

## GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS East Devon Branch

The annual meeting was held at Ottery St. Mary on May 9th, approximately 40 ringers attending the service, tea and meeting. The service was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Price and at the meeting the chair was taken by Mr. Sage. The following officers were elected: Mr. Sage, chairman; Mr. Webb, secretary and treasurer. The Ringing Master is Mr. C. Turner; general committee, Messrs. Davies, Clarke and Hodge. It is regretted that Buckereil have withdrawn from the Guild. Monthly practices will resume in the autumn. More ringing followed the meeting. Among methods rung were Stedman Triples, Oxford Bob Triples, Bob Major, Cambridge, etc. W. W.

## BIRMINGHAM UNIVERSITY

The annual general meeting of the Society was held in the Union Building on May 12th. The retiring chairman, Mr. C. J. Brown, said in his report that since a large proportion of the members were now completing their first year, and because of the unqualified success of the Easter tour, the Society was now in a position from which it would flourish. The secretary, treasurer and Ringing Master confirmed this view in their respective reports. During the proceedings the following officers were elected: Chairman, Miss R. A. Tailby; secretary, Mr. A. J. Jobson; treasurer, Mr. M. H. Hodgkinson; Ringing Master, Mr. A. D. Macfadyen. After the meeting several members attended King's Norton ringing practice. A. J. J.

## 'CORNISH BELLS'

Sir,—'Cornish Bells' (see page 323) was written somewhere about 1899 by the then Bishop of Truro. I've mislaid my copy so I cannot give the exact date. He sent it round, I think, to all parishes at Christmas time. Your copy is not quoted quite correctly but it is only a matter of a few spelling mistakes. But ringers coming to Cornwall should not put too much faith in it, for the Bishop allowed the necessity for a rhyme to take precedence over the actual presence of bells. And there are none or only one in some of the places mentioned. C. F. JERRAM (Lt.-Col.).

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# QUARTER PEALS

**BROOMFIELD, ESSEX.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. P. Cowling 1, Rosemarie Frith 2, Joyce Frith 3, A. R. Groves 4, I. R. Pantion (cond.) 5, M. J. Cowling 6. First quarter for 2 and 3.

**BUNNEY, NOTTS.**—On April 28th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob: R. Blackshaw 1, M. E. Chilton 2, M. W. Harrison 3, S. Adams 4, G. Fisher 5, C. W. Towers (cond.) 6. A 21st birthday compliment to M. Adams, daughter of ringer of 4.

**CAPEL, SURREY.**—On April 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Elizabeth Rumbold 1, Hannah Penfold 2, Barbara Rumbold 3, Alice Ward 4, Barbara Sheldon 5, A. P. Cannon (cond.) 6. A 21st birthday compliment to Ronald Tullett.

**CHALFONT ST. GILES, BUCKS.**—On May 2nd, 2,160 Minor (700 Single Oxford, 1,440 Kent T.B.): B. Edwards 1, S. F. Lilly 2, Susan E. Smith 3, E. G. Swift 4, R. Snack 5, G. B. Thompson (cond.) 6. For the enthronement of the new Bishop of Buckingham.

**CHARING, KENT.**—On May 10th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: J. L. Anderson 1, D. C. Collins 2, Mrs. P. T. Robbins (cond.) 3, R. N. Bagshaw 4, P. M. Bradford 5, Rev. P. T. Robbins 6. First quarter attempt 1, 2, 4 and 5. For Evensong.

**CHELSEFIELD, KENT.**—On Ascension Day, 1,260 Doubles (15 methods): Jennifer Payne 1, Hilary Martin 2, J. S. Barnes 3, R. W. Hinde 4, D. C. Manger (cond.) 5, C. Rowe 6. The greatest number of methods for a quarter peal by all the band. For Evensong.

**CHURCH LAWFORD, WARWICKS.**—On April 26th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: G. Pratt 1, Mrs. P. Wright 2, K. Putman (first 'inside') 3, Mrs. M. Pratt 4, A. R. Wright 5, R. D. Hart (first as cond.) 6. Also on May 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. Thompson (first quarter) 1, R. D. Hart 2, A. R. Wright 3, K. Putman 4, S. Darvill 5, J. Pratt (cond.) 6. Also on May 10th, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): Mrs. P. Wright 1, A. R. Wright (cond.) 2, J. Pratt 3, S. Darvill 4, R. D. Hart 5, R. J. Wright (first quarter) 6.

**CLIFTON, BRISTOL.**—On May 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. T. Rawlings 1, Joan Gray 2, W. Abraham 3, M. H. Gregory 4, P. L. Pearce 5, H. S. Gregory 6, A. W. T. Cleaver (cond.) 7, W. F. Bonner 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Margaret Gregory, mother of the ringer of 4 and daughter-in-law of ringer of 6, who was cremated earlier this day.

**CLYST ST. GEORGE, DEVON.**—On May 11th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: F. Williams 1, Miss V. Mellish 2, D. Wills 3, C. Deem 4, J. Glanvill 5, J. Quick (cond.) 6. First of Minor 1 and 2.

**COTGRACE, NOTTS.**—On May 8th, 1,296 Minor (Cambridge Surprise and Childwall Bob): Mary C. Knight 1, G. A. Dawson 2, P. J. Bruce 3, R. C. L. Brown 4, R. H. Rogers (cond.) 5, D. R. Ingram 6. In honour of the enthronement of the Rt. Rev. Gordon Savage as Bishop of Southwell.

**CROYDON, SURREY.**—On May 3rd, at St. John the Baptist Church, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: A. J. Brown 1, Mrs. F. E. Collins 2, Mrs. N. S. Bagworth 3, R. Davies (cond.) 4, G. H. Humphries 5, N. D. Brown 6, N. S. Bagworth 7, N. G. Steere 8, F. E. Collins 9, R. C. Stevens 10.

**DAVENTRY, NORTHANTS.**—On May 3rd, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Sheila Ward (first quarter) 1, Hilary M. Johnson 2, G. Thompson 3, H. M. Johnson 4, P. I. Chapman 5, M. J. V. Chown (cond.) 6. For Rogationtide.

**DAYBROOK, NOTTS.**—On May 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Pamela White 1, R. Hemingrav 2, S. Harker 3, G. Parkes 4, F. D. Wilson (cond.) 5, W. H. Perkins 6. First quarter 1, 2, 3, 4. Rung as a welcome to the new incumbent, the Rev. Michael Hare-Duke, and his family.

**DERBY.**—At the Church of S. Peter on Mar. 22nd, 1,280 Kent T.B. Major: C. Royle 1, W. Allsopp 2, J. Whiting 3, K. Betesta 4, R. Wallis 5, W. Steen 6, M. Willis 7, D. Walklate (cond.) 8. First of T.B. Major 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7. Also on Mar. 29th, 1,260 Minor (Bob and Kent): D. Walklate (cond.) 1, C. Royle 2, K. Betesta 3, A. Mould 4, J. Whiting 5, W. Allsopp 6, R. Wallis 7. Rung with a cover. Also on April 5th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: K. Betesta 1, W. Allsopp 2, J. Whiting 3, R. Wallis 4, J. Bailey (cond.) 5, W. Steen 6, D. Walklate 7, C. Royle 8. First Stedman Triples 1, 2, 3 and 8 as conductor. Also on April 26th, 1,288 Little Bob Major: C. Royle 1, K. Betesta 2, J. Bailey 3, J. Whiting 4, R. Wallis 5, W. Steen 6, W. Allsopp 7, D. Walklate (cond.) 8. First in method 1, 2, 4, 5, 7 and 8.

**EASTWOOD, ROTHERHAM, YORKS.**—On May 6th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: A. Douglas 1, Tessa Hollis 2, Elsie Chaddock 3, Sandra Crossley 4, Margaret Burns 5, F. Fisher 6, D. Nichols 7, J. N. D. Chaddock (cond.) 8. Rung for the induction of Rev. A. E. Watling, B.A., as Vicar of St. Stephen's.

**EDENHAM, Lincs.**—On May 11th, 1,376 Plain Bob Major: D. J. Hopkinson 1, Mrs. H. Ketteringham 2, F. W. Pinchbeck 3, C. Wade 4, W. A. Holmes 5, J. R. Holmes 6, K. Ketteringham 7, D. R. Baxter (comp. and cond.) 8. Rung to celebrate the third birthday of Master Andrew Holmes, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Holmes.

**EWELL, SURREY.**—On May 10th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. C. W. Munday 1, P. J. Munday 2, Gladys Anderson 3, H. Good 4, W. Parrott 5, D. Carpenter 6, J. E. Beams 7, C. W. Munday (cond.) 8. For Commonwealth Youth Service.

**FECKENHAM, WORCS.**—On May 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. E. Styler (first quarter) 1, R. H. Hunt (first 'inside') 2, Mrs. J. Newton 3, M. Leek (first quarter) 4, E. Styler (first quarter, cond.) 5, R. Barker 6. A wedding anniversary compliment to the conductor and ringer of treble.

**GRANTHAM, Lincs.**—On May 5th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Miss C. Lewis 1, D. J. Hopkinson (first quarter) 2, Mrs. H. Ketteringham 3, V. Evans 4, J. R. Holmes 5, D. R. Baxter (cond.) 6.

**GREAT HALE, Lincs.**—On May 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Sylvia A. E. Brown 1, Daphne P. Brown 2, A. Bird 3, E. A. Cole 4, M. Rooney (first as cond.) 5, G. T. Brown 6. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to the late Mr. Herbert Williams, of Helphingham, who was a ringer and chorister for over 40 years and a friend of the ringers of Hale Church.

**HARROW-ON-THE-HILL, MIDDX.**—On May 3rd, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: Mrs. M. G. Gage 1, Miss P. J. Laycock 2, Miss L. E. Simpson 3, B. C. Burrough 4, C. W. Simpson 5, R. A. Gage (first in method) 6, L. J. North 7, B. E. Matthews (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**HASCOMBE, SURREY.**—On May 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. G. Clarke 1, B. G. D. Vince 2, J. H. Payton (cond.) 3, T. J. Wellen 4, M. D. Fuller 5. Rung on the completion of the redecoration of the church interior.

**KIRK ELIA, EAST YORKS.**—On May 10th, 1,220 Grandsire Doubles: Miss T. Campbell (first quarter) 1, G. Smith (first of Grandsire) 2, H. Palmer (first of Grandsire and first as cond.) 3, I. Campbell 4, I. Goldthorpe 5, A. B. Cooper 6. For Evensong.

**ISLIP, OXON.**—On May 7th, 1,280 Southwell Surprise Major: A. R. Pink 1, W. Birmingham 2, Jennifer Sceney 3, P. J. Heritage 4, M. Hatchett 5, J. F. Bowler 6, C. C. Clarke 7, E. R. Venn (cond.) 8. Rung for the enthronement of the Rt. Rev. Gordon Savage, as Lord Bishop of Southwell.

**LIMPSFIELD CHART, SURREY.**—On April 25th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): J. H. Gaze 1, R. J. Cooles 2, R. E. J. Dennis 3, N. F. Edwards 4, M. J. Uphill (25th as cond.) 5. After meeting short for a peal attempt.

**LODERS, DORSET.**—On May 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. J. Davis 1, Mrs. J. Mead 2, Rev. O. L. Willmott 3, J. Mead 4, J. Davis (cond.) 5, H. Crabb 6. Rung in honour of the first grandchild of Rev. and Mrs. O. L. Willmott.

**LONG ASHTON, SOMERSET.**—On May 1st, 1,280 Aldenham Surprise Major: Elizabeth Bowden 1, G. H. Pullin 2, J. Brain 3, E. T. Lee 4, M. J. Horseman 5, P. Bridle 6, D. G. Yeo 7, J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 8. First by all except the 6th ringer.

**LOWER BEEDING, SUSSEX.**—On May 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. Etherington (Albury) 1, H. Feist (Lower Beeding) 2, W. H. Harrison (Lower Beeding) 3, C. Bailey (Albury) 4, H. G. Arthur (Albury, cond.) 5, G. Stoner (Lower Beeding) 6. For Evensong.

**NORTON, HERTS.**—On May 11th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: P. J. Belcher 1, Jean Sanderson 2, D. R. Sanderson 3, E. G. Buck 4, T. R. Hatchett 5, A. C. D. Maves (first as cond.) 6.

**OLD HEADINGTON, OXON.**—On May 2nd, at the Church of St. Andrew, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: L. Porter 1, J. Woodman 2, R. Jones 3, H. Badger 4, G. Belcher 5, N. Deam (first quarter as cond.) 6. First quarter of Minor 1, 2 and 5. Rung for the christening of Prince Edward, third son to H.M. the Queen and H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh.

**ORSETT, ESSEX.**—On May 5th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Mrs. D. G. Mayell 1, D. G. Mayell (cond.) 2, Miss J. E. M. Hills 3, S. Holdaway (first in three methods) 4, T. G. Hull 5, F. W. Blatch (50th quarter peal) 6. Rung in honour of the birth of a daughter to H.R.H. Princess Margaret.

**OTLEY, SUFFOLK.**—On May 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Farnish (13, first quarter) 1, S. Hammond (12, first quarter) 2, H. W. Egglestone 3, M. C. Garrod 4, Mrs. M. E. Egglestone 5, A. T. Beckwith (cond.) 6.

**OWSLEBURY, HANTS.**—On May 8th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman and Grandsire): Myrtle A. Williams 1, W. O. Haythorne 2, Katherine J. Maundrell (first quarter) 3, W. G. Young 4, D. B. Brown (cond.) 5, C. S. Williams 6. A birthday compliment to Mrs. W. O. Haythorne.

**PAKEFIELD, SUFFOLK.**—On Ascension Day, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: M. Seuncke 1, Miss M. Kindred 2, Miss S. Courtney (first 'inside') 3, M. Utton 4, G. A. Kindred 5, J. W. G. Kindred 6, D. Mitchell 7, P. Kindred (cond.) 8. First quarter 1 and 2. For Evensong.

**POPULAR, LONDON.**—At All Saints' Church, on May 10th, 1,295 Grandsire Caters: Louise G. Gallini 1, Brenda M. Foster 2, Pauline Fennell 3, R. O. Humphries 4, D. C. Chaffield 5, N. J. Davies 6, T. C. Phillimore 7, T. H. Holmes 8, D. A. Chapman (cond.) 9, B. J. Luck 10. First on 10 bells for ringers of 1 and 2. A compliment to Richard Humphries on being elected Master of the University of London Society of Change Ringers.

**RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.**—On May 10th, 1,296 Little Bob Major: A. House 1, P. Sloman 2, Miss S. Hayward 3, F. May 4, P. Bedford 5, T. Jones 6, D. Belcham 7, M. Hallett (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**RODBOURNE CHENEY, WILTS.**—On Ascension Day, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: W. B. Kynaston (cond.) 1, Joycelyn Hillier 2, Janis E. Allen 3, D. Carr 4, D. Dancy 5, E. W. Ford 6. First of Minor 2, 3 and 4. Also on May 13th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman and Plain Bob): R. White (first quarter) 1, D. Carr 2, Janis E. Allen 3, W. B. Kynaston (cond.) 4, E. W. Ford 5, F. Broughton 6. For Confirmation Service.

**RUSHALL, STAFFS.**—On May 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. W. Fairey 1, S. J. Larcombe (first 'inside') 2, Marilyn C. Smith 3, D. Kay Moore 4, Lucy Smith 5, C. M. Smith (cond.) 6.

**SILVERTON, DEVON.**—On May 10th, 1,262 Grandsire Doubles: A. G. Selley 1, J. R. Hutchings 2, H. Ransom 3, J. Furber 4, W. E. Richards (cond.) 5, D. Petherick 6. Rung for the 40th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Selley. Since the band was formed in 1924, Mr. Selley has been captain. His wife is also a member.

**STOURBRIDGE, WORCS.**—At St. Thomas' Church, on May 12th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. R. Smith 1, G. Westwood 2, M. D. Fellows 3, F. V. Nicholls 4, P. L. Bill 5, D. H. Watson 6, M. J. Fellows (cond.) 7, A. D. Fellows 8. To mark the induction this day of the Rev. D. Rhodes as priest-in-charge of St. Michael and All Angels', Norton, Stourbridge.

**SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.**—On May 3rd, 1,260 Minor (720 Cambridge Surprise, 540 Plain Bob): D. W. Stenson 1, B. G. Warwick (cond.) 2, Mrs. B. G. Warwick 3, Carol I. V. Corton 4, A. R. Mildred 5, M. G. Wood 6. For Evensong.

**SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.**—On May 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Beresford 1, D. Williamson 2, Grace Burchnall 3, D. Parsons (first as cond.) 4, A. Parsons (first of Triples) 5, Eleanor Rose 6, Katharine Burchnall 7, H. Hicjcroft 8. Rung in honour of the enthronement of the Bishop of Southwell.

**WALSOKEN, NORFOLK.**—On May 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob: J. Parsons 1, J. Fox (cond.) 2, G. Knight 3, M. R. Reed 4, T. Bush 5, N. Greenacre 6. In honour of the 80th birthday of Mr. E. Barker, of Shoulham, and the enthronement of the Right Rev. Roberts as Lord Bishop of Ely.

**WANDSWORTH, LONDON.**—At the Church of All Saints, on May 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Rosamund M. Rawlings 1, Judith Geringer 2, Vanessa Rodrigues 3, A. R. Millidge 4, N. F. Edwards 5, G. W. Reynolds 6, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 7, J. H. Gaze 8. Rung 'open' as a thanksgiving for the life and work of Mrs. Ethel Whitlock, sidesman at this church, who passed away the previous day in her 76th year. R.I.P.

**WARNHAM, SUSSEX.**—On April 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Exler (first of Minor) 1, P. R. Miles (first 'inside' of Minor) 2, D. M. Mullins 3, I. Gocher 4, D. D. Smith 5, G. Francis (cond.) 6.

**WARSOP, NOTTS.**—On May 3rd, 1,320 Norwich Surprise Minor: P. Mellor 1, M. Foster 2, R. Lucas 3, G. Challans 4, F. Cooke 5, H. T. Rooke (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also on May 10th, 1,320 Norwich Surprise Minor: P. Mellor 1, M. Foster 2, G. Challans 3, R. Lucas 4, F. Cooke 5, H. T. Rooke (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**WATERLOO, LONDON.**—At St. John's Church, on March 8th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. H. Riddle (first of Stedman) 1, Mrs. J. M. Hampton 2, L. C. Way 3, A. J. Hampson 4, J. Hales 5, C. M. Meyer 6, W. D. Grainger (cond.) 7, A. J. Way 8. For Evensong.



## QUARTER PEALS

**ARLESEY, BEDS.**—On May 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. F. Simpson 1, Ann Woodhouse 2, Verna Rix 3, Audrey Alexander (cond.) 4, K. Barnes 5, A. Simpson 6. For Parish Communion.

**ASHTED, SURREY.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. G. Astridge 1, Geraldine Piper 2, R. Bradbury (first quarter 'inside') 3, J. T. Symonds 4, Diana Prynne 5, R. Mills 6, J. L. Hayns (cond.) 7, Marilyn Gibbs 8. For Evensong, and as a compliment to Brian Eastman and Mary Randall, married the previous day. The first couple to be married at the recently licensed daughter Church of St. George, Ashted, built in 1906. Mary was at one time a ringer at St. Giles'.

**BECKFORD, WORCS.**—On May 18th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): R. Loxley 1, I. Lloyd 2, D. C. Trenfield 3, J. Aitwood, jnr., 4, J. E. Whittall (first in three methods as cond.) 5, A. C. Berry 6. First quarter in three methods for 1 and 3, Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to David Gerrard, of Claines.

**BRAMPTON, HUNTINGDON.**—On April 23rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. F. Baker (cond.) 1, L. B. Jefferies 2, Maureen Allen 3, E. A. Bailey 4, E. J. Whiting 5, J. W. F. Allen 6. For St. George's Day. Also on May 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. F. Baker (cond.) 1, Maureen Allen 2, A. J. Davey 3, E. A. Bailey 4, E. J. Whiting 5, J. W. F. Allen 6. Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Susan Bernice Baker, daughter of the conductor. Also on May 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. F. Baker 1, Maureen Allen 2, G. C. Goodman 3, E. A. Bailey 4, E. J. Whiting 5, J. W. F. Allen 6. Rung to the glory of God, and a welcome to the Rt. Rev. Edward Roberts, Lord Bishop of Ely, after his enthronement this day.

**CHELSEFIELD, KENT.**—On May 12th, 1,440 Ipswich Surprise Minor: Jillian Outhwaite 1, Jennifer Payne 2, J. S. Barnes 3, Hilary Martin 4, D. C. Manger (cond.) 5, R. W. Hinde 6. For Confirmation service by the Lord Bishop of Rochester, Dr. Say.

**GODMANCHESTER, HUNTS.**—On May 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: W. E. A. Morris 1, E. J. Thoday 2, Mrs. R. B. Davey 3, Mrs. J. Wells 4, P. E. Wells 5, G. W. Henson 6, A. J. Davey (cond.) 7, C. J. Higgins 8. Rung on the middle six on the occasion of the enthronement of the Rt. Rev. Edward Roberts as 65th Bishop of Ely.

**HARROW-ON-THE-HILL, MIDDXX.**—On May 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Elliott 1, Peta Ollen 2, Mrs. M. G. Gage 3, Miss S. J. Heaseman 4, R. E. Waters 5, C. W. Simpson 6, R. A. Gage (cond.) 7, Miss L. E. Simpson 8. For Ascension Day.

**KIMPTON, HERTS.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss M. M. Lander 1, Miss D. Angell 2, D. C. Price 3, Mrs. H. Y. Price 4, J. G. Cull (cond.) 5, Mrs. P. Martin 6. First quarter 2 and 6.

**KINGSTON-UPON-THAMES, SURREY.**—On May 18th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Royal: Elizabeth J. Wilkins (first of T.B. Royal) 1, R. J. Cooles (first of Royal) 2, Margaret M. Lewis 3, Susan J. Newman 4, Judith M. Geiringer 5, M. J. Bangham (cond.) 6, D. M. Wilkins 7, M. J. Uphill 8, K. Newman 9, W. H. Jackson 10. First of Cambridge Royal for 5, 6, 7, 8. A farewell for Margaret Lewis, about to leave Kingston for Farnborough.

**LINCOLN.**—On May 17th, at the Cathedral, 1,299 Stedman Caters: Norah M. Randles 1, S. A. Chambers 2, H. L. Pask 3, L. Willders 4, W. Tomlinson (cond.) 5, H. Lowman 6, G. H. Randles 7, G. Paul 8, J. Walden 9, G. R. Parker 10. For morning service.

**MERROW, SURREY.**—On May 17th, 1,260 Doubles (420 Grandsire, 840 Plain Bob): B. Davies 1, Hazel J. Giddins 2, A. Pamela Warren 3, S. M. Cobbe (first in two methods as cond.) 4, R. A. K. Glue 5, M. A. Cattell 6. For Evensong.

**NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.**—On March 11th, at St. George's, Jesmond, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. C. E. Shears 1, J. A. Sturrock 2, Mrs. A. C. Bolton 3, J. G. White 4, A. G. Craddock 5, A. C. Bolton (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled by the St. George's Guild in memoriam Mr. Henderson. Also on March 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. A. C. Bolton 1, A. R. Patterson (cond.) 2, J. G. White 3, S. J. Pardoe 4, R. A. Yeates 5, A. C. Bolton 6. For Evensong. Also on April 23rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: A. G. Craddock 1, J. A. Sturrock (first of Triples 'inside') 2, Miss B. Cooke 3, J. G. White (first of Triples 'inside') 4, R. A. Yeates 5, S. J. Pardoe 6, A. C. Bolton (cond.) 7, P. C. E. Shears (first on eight) 8. Rung before the Confirmation service, and also for St. George's Day.

**OXFORD.**—On May 3rd, at the Church of St. Thomas the Martyr, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: B. Wakefield (cond.) 1, P. H. P. Harris 2, Hilary F. Pardoe 3, G. R. Mordaunt 4, J. W. Thorp 5, J. M. Preston 6.

**ROTHWELL, NORTHANTS.**—On May 19th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Mary Bloxam 1, Sheila Staley 2, Jean Marlow 3, J. G. Mitchell 4, I. W. Hall 5, A. D. Sansom 6, M. A. Coleman (cond.) 7, M. J. Staley 8. A 16th birthday compliment to Sheila Staley.

**STEVENAGE, HERTS.**—On May 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Swain 1, E. Cooper 2, D. Gullick (cond.) 3, H. Wittering 4, D. Taplin 5, W. Lawrence 6, W. Brown 7, W. Munson 8 (covering). Rung for the Whitsun Festival.

**SWINDON, WILTS.**—On May 17th, at Christ Church, 1,259 Grandsire Cateters: M. Scowen 1, Miss J. Davidge 2, E. Sutton 3, Miss R. Roworth 4, M. D. Penney 5, Dr. C. G. Roworth 6, Miss S. Little 7, A. G. Wells 8, M. J. Stanley (cond.) 9, W. W. T. Daniell 10. Rung prior to Evensong on Whit Sunday.

**WALPOLE ST. ANDREW, NORFOLK.**—On May 9th, 720 Kent, 540 Plain Bob and St. Clement's: N. Greenacre 1, F. Wigmore (cond.) 2, W. Cousins 3, J. Fox 4, M. R. Reed 5, H. Follen 6. In honour of the 80th birthday of Mr. E. Barker, of Shoulham, and the enthronement of the Right Rev. Roberts as Lord Bishop of Ely.

**WARSOP, NOTTS.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Spencer (first quarter) 1, Miss I. Cooke 2, R. Lucas 3, F. Cooke 4, H. T. Rooke (cond.) 5, M. Bennett 6. For 9.30 a.m. Eucharist. Also on Whit Sunday, 1,320 Annable's London Surprise Minor: J. T. Rooke 1, G. Challans 2, F. Cooke 3, R. Lucas 4, D. H. Rooke 5, H. T. Rooke (cond.) 6. For Evensong, and a birthday compliment to Miss C. Rooke.

**WEDNESBURY, STAFFS.**—At St. Bartholomew's Church on April 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Cateters: D. Bates 1, C. Turner 2, M. G. Turner 3, A. Hubble 4, A. H. Hingley (comp.) 5, R. J. Staite 6, J. F. Astbury (first as cond.) 7, M. Cadwallader 8, B. H. Morton 9, J. Hingley 10. A farewell compliment to the conductor, who is leaving the district.

**WEST STOW, SUFFOLK.**—On May 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob: P. Everett 1, A. G. Ballam 2, C. Stannard 3, W. Goodship 4, E. A. Murrell 5, A. F. Ballam (cond.) 6. For morning service.

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## BELFY GOSSIP

Probably the best ringing at Truro was the peal of Cambridge Royal rung on the Cathedral bells. A second start was necessary because one of the ropes gave the impression it would not last out. Some splicing made things safe. Commented one listener: 'The best ringing I have heard in Truro for years.'

We learn that Miss Marie R. Cross is holidaying in America.

Mr. Frank T. Blagrove has accepted a teaching appointment in Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia. He will be leaving this country in August.

Congratulations to Mr. Sydney M. Bailey, of High Wycombe, who is ringing master of the East Berks and South Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, on ringing his 100th peal—at Slough, on May 1st.

On Whit-Monday, May 18th, 1880, the Kent County Association was formed at Canterbury. Mr. Ted Ruck, who will be 97 this June, is the only surviving member.

Included in a film on Cambridge University life to be shown on French television, probably on May 28th, is a sequence of ringing at the University Church. Holiday-makers, take note!

Mr. Michael Fairey, the conductor of the peal of 13 Surprise Minor Methods at Little Aston, Staffs, on May 9th, completed 20 years in the local choir on May 5th. The Little Aston choir and ringers tender to him their warmest congratulations on the anniversary.

A ringer giving a talk on bells in the remote village of Himbleton, Worcs, was confronted with an unusual question. He was asked whether he knew Dormston tower and if the local rumour that one of the bells was made of leather was true.

Feckenham, Worcs, band have just recorded their first quarter—a wedding anniversary compliment to the conductor and Mrs. E. Styler, who both took part. They remembered on this anniversary Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Jopp, of Stoulton Campanile, Worcs, who were married on the same day and have been closely connected with the tower since the recommencement of ringing in 1960.

Before the officers' peal for the Sussex County Association started at Southover, Sussex.

on May 9th to mark the 700th anniversary of the Battle of Lewes, the Mayoress, who has recently taken up ringing, joined in some rounds. The peal was rung at the special request of the Mayor and Corporation and the rounds inaugurated the festivities of Lewes' Gala Week.

Back in our peal columns after an absence of ten years is the well-known Leicestershire ringer, Mr. Edward R. Whitehead. The last time he rang a peal of Superlative was 20 years ago.

Two new conveners were announced at the Central Council meeting. Mr. Tom Lock takes the place of the late Mr. A. C. Hazelden, and Mr. Robert Anderson succeeds Mr. F. Smallpiece.

On his way to Truro, Mr. Frank Smallwood and Mr. R. B. Anderson were able to call on Mr. Joe Dyke at Chilcompton. Joe was one of the members of 'the Ringing World' committee that was formed at Chester in 1952. Some of his shrewd observations were later passed on to 'the editor.'

The editor fulfilled at Truro a request from Miss J. Armstrong, of Morpeth, to tell Mr. Harry Miles that she was unable to ring the curfew in the Watch Tower because a peal attempt was in progress. When the Central Council met at Newcastle, Mr. Miles was invited to ring the curfew by Miss Armstrong and did so most nobly.

Peter Caine writes: 'The poem "Cornish Bells" (p. 323) is somewhat reminiscent of "The Tower of Bottraux." The latter is from the pen of Robert Stephen Hawker, the 19th century Vicar of Morwenstow in North Cornwall. Perhaps he was responsible for the former poem too.'

Sixteen-year-old Bob Cooles distinguished himself at Kingston-upon-Thames on Whit Monday. Learning Cambridge Surprise Royal at thirty minutes' notice, he rang a quarter peal at his first attempt at the method, and his first quarter of Royal ever. The occasion was a farewell to Margaret Lewis, Kingston's secretary, who has left for Farnborough, Hants.

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**TWELVE BELL PEAL**

LINCOLN.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., April 23, 1964, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes,

At THE CATHEDRAL,

**A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES**

Tenor 24 cwt.

JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. .. Treble	WALTER TOMLINSON .. .. 7
JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. .. 2	H. LESLIE PASK .. .. 8
NORAH M. RANGLES .. .. 3	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. .. 9
JOHN FREEMAN .. .. 4	JAMES W. RAITHEY .. .. 10
GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. 5	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. 11
RAYMOND F. SMITH .. .. 6	JOHN WALDEN .. .. Tenor

Composed by D. E. PARSONS.

Conducted by JOHN FREEMAN.

**TEN BELL PEALS**

SLOUGH, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., May 1, 1964, in 3 Hours exactly,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in E.

*ALAN R. PINK .. .. Treble	E. DENNIS POOLE .. .. 6
MICHAEL HATCHETT .. .. 2	†SYDNEY M. BAILEY .. .. 7
GILES R. SHEDDEN .. .. 3	WILFRID G. WILSON .. .. 8
GORDON W. LIMMER .. .. 4	DAVID P. HILLING .. .. 9
JOHN F. BOWLER .. .. 5	*WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. .. Tenor

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE.

Conducted by DAVID P. HILLING.

\* 100th peal together. † 100th peal.

Rung for the consecration this day of Rt. Rev. George Christopher Cutts Pepys as Bishop of Buckingham.

SOUTHAMPTON.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb. in E flat.

O. NEVILLE CURTIS .. .. Treble	JOHN R. FAITHFULL .. .. 6
*HILARY N. KIPPIN .. .. 2	CHARLES H. KIPPIN .. .. 7
JESSIE M. KIPPIN .. .. 3	MAURICE J. BUTLER .. .. 8
R. ROGER SAVORY .. .. 4	DAVID E. HOUSE .. .. 9
MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. .. 5	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. Tenor

Composed by FRANK E. DARBY.

Conducted by CHARLES H. KIPPIN.

\* First peal of Surprise Royal.

Rung to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the dedication of the bells.

WRINGTON, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF 5021 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Tenor 37 cwt. 13 lb. in C sharp.

ELIZABETH A. G. BOWDEN .. .. Treble	ERIC T. LEE .. .. 6
RICHARD J. BOWDEN .. .. 2	*MACKENZIE COLLINS .. .. 7
DAVID G. YEO .. .. 3	WILLIAM H. KINGCOTT .. .. 8
ALAN TUBB .. .. 4	REV. ROGER O. FRY .. .. 9
MARTIN C. FOSTER .. .. 5	SIDNEY G. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Composed by ALBERT M. TYLER.

Conducted by REV. ROGER O. FRY.

\* First peal.

Arranged and rung as a tribute to Mr. Herbert W. Knight, Ringing Master of this church and chairman of the Chew Deanery Branch of the Association, on completing 60 years' ringing in the deanery.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

Tenor 17½ cwt.

*PHILIP STEVENS, Committee Member .. .. Treble	
REGINALD V. JOHNSON, Master .. .. 2	
MRS. BETTY PERCY, Committee Member .. .. 3	
*THOMAS M. BARLOW, Committee Member .. .. 4	
*DEREK SLATER, Committee Member .. .. 5	
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W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON, Auditor .. .. 8	
GEORGE FRANCIS, Divisional Ringing Master .. .. 9	
W. LESLIE WELLER, Divisional Ringing Master .. .. Tenor	

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by W. LESLIE WELLER.

\* First peal on ten bells.

Rung by Officers of the Association to commemorate the 700th anniversary of the Battle of Lewes.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS**

CARDINGTON, BEDFORDSHIRE.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF 5120 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in E.

ARTHUR GIBBS .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY E. WATSON .. .. 5
AVRIL IVIN .. .. 2	FRANK W. RIVETT .. .. 6
KATHLEEN A. RIVETT .. .. 3	ALFRED E. RUSHTON .. .. 7
SHEILA I. SMITH .. .. 4	STEPHEN IVIN .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.

MAULDEN, BEDFORDSHIRE.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., April 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF 5024 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. in F sharp.

KATHLEEN A. RIVETT .. Treble	FRANK W. RIVETT .. .. 5
C. EDWARD JEFFRIES .. .. 2	ALFRED E. RUSHTON .. .. 6
DAVID R. SAUNDERSON .. .. 3	PHILIP MEHEW .. .. 7
RONALD J. SHARP .. .. 4	STEPHEN IVIN .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., April 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 23 cwt. 9 qr. 8 lb. in E flat.

PATRICIA J. LAYCOCK .. Treble	†W. JOHN COUPERTHWAIT	5
*PATRICIA DISERENS .. .. 2	TOM PAGE .. .. .	6
RONALD F. DISERENS .. .. 3	PETER J. JOYCE .. .. .	7
STANLEY G. PONTING .. .. 4	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. Tenor	
Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.	Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.	

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

\* 50th peal. † First in the method.

GAWSWORTH, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

JOHN ROBINSON .. .. Treble	IVOR JENKINS .. .. 5
DAVID VINCENT .. .. 2	NEIL LOMAS .. .. 6
PETER J. MALLOCH .. .. 3	DEREK A. ASHTON .. .. 7
*JOHN A. BOOTH .. .. 4	DENNIS MOTTERSHEAD .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHAS. J. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by DEREK A. ASHTON.

\* First peal in the method.

BEDFORD.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., May 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

**A PEAL OF 5120 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 28 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lb. in D.

STEPHEN IVIN .. .. Treble	JAMES R. TAYLOR .. .. 5
JENNIFER M. TAYLOR .. .. 2	ALFRED E. RUSHTON .. .. 6
RONALD J. SHARP .. .. 3	C. EDWARD JEFFRIES .. .. 7
FRANK W. RIVETT .. .. 4	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

Composed by ERNEST BENNETT.

Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.

CHISWICK, MIDDLESEX.

THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.

On Mon., May 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS.

**A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In four methods, comprising 1,664 Superlative, 1,632 Cambridge, 992 London and 768 Bristol; with 105 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell. Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. in F.

ANTHONY H. SMITH .. Treble	NICHOLAS J. DAVIES .. .. 5
*YVONNE EDWARDS .. .. 2	ALAN J. FROST .. .. 6
E. JANE SIBSON .. .. 3	DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 7
DIANA M. FROST .. .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. G. CASHMORE.

Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

\* First peal of Spliced.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., May 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Bruerton's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. in E.
CAROL FERNLEY .. .. Treble	*ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. 5
ROBERT J. WARRILOW .. .. 2	†DEREK A. ASHTON .. .. 6
DEREK YATES .. .. 3	*WILLIAM H. DOWSE .. .. 7
ALAN MCFALL .. .. 4	BASIL JONES .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT B. SMITH.

\* 100th peal together. † First of Grandsire Triples.



HEENE, WORTHING, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Wed., May 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH.

**A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

HENRY C. WEAVER .. Treble	BRIAN J. LUFF .. 5
PATRICIA DISERENS .. 2	LEONARD STILWELL .. 6
*J. RICHARD WILSON .. 3	RONALD F. DISERENS .. 7
RAYMOND P. WOOD .. 4	W. LESLIE WELLER .. Tenor

Composed by H. LAW JAMES. Conducted by RONALD F. DISERENS.  
\* First peal in the method. Tenor 10½ cwt.  
Rung in honour of the birth of a daughter to Princess Margaret and Lord Snowdon.

CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Fri., May 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

*MICHAEL J. WAKE .. Treble	EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. 5
†ROSEMARY A. STEVENS .. 2	LEONARD STILWELL .. 6
REGINALD V. JOHNSON .. 3	BRIAN J. LUFF .. 7
PATRICIA DISERENS .. 4	RONALD F. DISERENS .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by RONALD F. DISERENS.  
\* First peal on eight bells. † First peal. Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Fri., May 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. REMIGIUS.

**A PEAL OF 5120 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 9 cwt. 74 lb. in G.

H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. Treble	NOLAN GOLDEN .. 5
RAYMOND G. LOFTY .. 2	CHARLES H. MOORE .. 6
ROY WILES .. 3	PETER ADCOCK .. 7
HENRY TOOKE .. 4	GEORGE SAYER .. Tenor

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW. Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.  
Rung to commemorate the first peal on eight bells in the tower (60 years ago, in the same method and same composition), and in remembrance of Charles E. Borrett, Albert G. Warnes, Frederick R. Borrett, Frederick J. Howchin, George Howchin, Egbert Borrett, Samuel Smith and Frederick Knights, who took part in it.

LEICESTER.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Fri., May 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

**A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

GEOFFREY M. BREWIN .. Treble	MALCOLM E. WADE .. 5
WILLIAM A. LACEY .. 2	J. BARRY PICKUP .. 6
ROLAND H. COOK .. 3	ALAN E. HARTLEY .. 7
*GARRY WM. MASON .. 4	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. Tenor

Composed by RICHARD F. B. SPEED.  
Conducted by R. KINGSLEY MASON.  
\* First peal in the method. Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 15 lb. in A.  
Birthdays compliments to conductor (21st) and his brother, Garry (18th).

EAST RETFORD, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.  
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHUN.

**A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

MARY C. POYNER .. Treble	JOHN COATES .. 5
*DAVID D. PARSONS .. 2	JOHN M. GOW .. 6
BERYL N. REED .. 3	COLIN W. REED .. 7
DAVID A. WHETTON .. 4	HARRY POYNER .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by HARRY POYNER.  
\* First peal on eight.  
Rung to mark the enthronement of the Rt. Rev. Gordon Savage as Lord Bishop of Southwell. Tenor 23 cwt.

ESHER, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in A flat.

CHRISTOPHER F. MEW .. Treble	KEITH G. GAME .. 5
ALISON M. MANN .. 2	MARGARET E. FORT .. 6
*ALAN E. BAGWORTH .. 3	JOHN F. M. MAYBREY .. 7
ALAN R. MILLIDGE .. 4	DAVID C. BROOKES .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by DAVID C. BROOKES.  
Rung to celebrate the Festival of the Ascension of Our Lord.

GODALMING, SURREY.  
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

**A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

*MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. Treble	*JOHN R. FAITHFULL .. 5
*CAROLYN VIBERT .. 2	*PETER J. JOYCE .. 6
W. JOHN COUPERTHWAITE .. 3	*†DAVID E. HOUSE .. 7
STANLEY G. PONTING .. 4	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER. Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.  
\* First peal in the method. † 100th peal. First in the method as conductor. Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. in E.

HUGHENDEN, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

WALTER AVERY .. Treble	ROLAND BIGGS .. 5
ARTHUR NEWTON .. 2	PERCY NEWTON .. 6
JOYCE I. BARTON .. 3	L. JOSEPH YOUNG .. 7
JOHN YOUNG .. 4	DAVID A. CORNWALL .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY. Conducted by DAVID A. CORNWALL.  
The ringer of the treble has 'circled the tower.'  
Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Keith H. Gould.

LONG MELFORD, SUFFOLK.  
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.  
On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

**A PEAL OF 5056 EDMUNDSBURY SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. 8 lb.

G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. Treble	PETER J. COLES .. 5
VERNON GREEN .. 2	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 6
ERIC EDMONDSON .. 3	COLIN A. S. HARWOOD .. 7
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 4	JACK S. DEAR .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY.  
First peal in the method by all the band.

NORTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN.

**A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

Consisting of 1,344 each of New Cambridge and Lincolnshire, 1,248 of Yorkshire and 1,152 of Rutland; with 87 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell.  
Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in F sharp.

IVOR GOULIER .. Treble	*GORDON W. LAND .. 5
GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. 2	D. JOHN HUNT .. 6
CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. 3	ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. 7
VICTOR GRIFFIN .. 4	BRIAN BLADON .. Tenor

Composed by ROGER BALDWIN. Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.  
\* First peal of Spliced Major away from treble. First of Spliced Surprise Major as conductor.

RATBY-CUM-GROBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILIP AND JAMES.

**A PEAL OF 5152 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb. in G.

JOHN E. COOK .. Treble	ROBERT E. HARDY .. 5
WILLIAM A. LACEY .. 2	ROLAND H. COOK .. 6
J. BARRY PICKUP .. 3	A. MAXWELL LINDSEY .. 7
EDWARD R. WHITEHEAD .. 4	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK H. DEXTER.  
Conducted by R. KINGSLEY MASON.

READING, BERKSHIRE.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

**A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

ALAN R. PINK .. Treble	SYDNEY M. BAILEY .. 5
EDWARD R. VENN .. 2	CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. 6
*MICHAEL HATCHETT .. 3	*DAVID P. HILLING .. 7
*WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. 4	NOEL J. DISERENS .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by NOEL J. DISERENS.  
\* First peal in the method. Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb.

SOBERTON, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE SOUTHAMPTON UNIVERSITY GUILD.  
On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

**A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 52 lb. in G.

*MICHAEL D. TRIGG .. Treble	†JOHN H. TAYLOR .. 5
MARGARET E. L. CHAPMAN .. 2	†HUGH N. EVANS .. 6
CANON K. W. H. FELSTEAD .. 3	MALCOLM M. POWELL .. 7
ADRIAN J. TUMBER .. 4	DAVID J. FORDER .. Tenor

Composed by TOM CHAPMAN.  
Conducted by MARGARET E. L. CHAPMAN.  
\* First peal of Treble Bob. † First of Surprise 'inside.' ‡ First in the method. First of Surprise for the Guild.  
Rung to the glory of God, and with the band's best wishes to Mrs. R. A. Jackson for a speedy recovery.

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.  
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

Parker's Twelve-Part (6th the observation).	
R. JOYCE MARKS .. Treble	ARTHUR H. REED .. 5
MARGARET A. BOULD .. 2	D. ROY BOULD .. 6
REGINALD BEALE .. 3	JOHN T. LOCKE .. 7
HARRY STACEY .. 4	WALTER H. MARKS .. Tenor

Conducted by D. ROY BOULD.  
A 12th birthday compliment to John Drowley, a ringer at this church.



## CAMBRIDGE.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., May 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW-THE-GREAT.

## A PEAL OF 5152 MADINGLEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. in G.

JOHN A. HARRISON .. .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER H. ROGERS.. 5
MARTIN PRESS .. .. 2	MARTYN L. J. JORDAN .. 6
HADLEY HUNTER .. .. 3	GERALD PENNEY .. .. 7
CLAIRE DILLAMORE .. .. 4	ANDREW S. HUDSON.. .. Tenor

Conducted by ANDREW S. HUDSON.

First peal in the method (H. and M. Collection, No. 4,721).

Rung for the enthronement of the Bishop of Ely.

## DAVENTRY, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

## THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., May 10, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CLERKENWELL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.

IAN C. MAYCOCK .. .. Treble	PATRICK I. CHAPMAN.. .. 5
MARYL R. CROSSTHWAITE .. 2	JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. 6
AVRIL IVIN .. .. 3	PETER BORDER .. .. 7
DAVID J. ALLEN .. .. 4	STEPHEN IVIN .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

First peal in the method by all, and for the Guild.

## HACKNEY, LONDON.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., May 10, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-OF-JERUSALEM.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 11 lb.

PATRICIA J. LAYCOCK .. Treble	TREVOR CARLESS.. .. 5
CLIVE W. SIMPSON .. .. 2	LEONARD J. NORTH .. .. 6
LORNA E. SIMPSON .. .. 3	BRYAN C. BURROUGH.. .. 7
JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. 4	BERNARD E. MATTHEWS .. Tenor

Composed by TOM CHAPMAN. Conducted by BERNARD E. MATTHEWS.

## PULBOROUGH, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., May 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5024 WATFORD SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13½ cwt. in F sharp.

LEONARD STILWELL .. .. Treble	†STANLEY G. PONTING .. 5
*E. JANE SIBSON .. .. 2	†GEORGE FRANCIS .. .. 6
EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. .. 3	†RONALD F. DISERENS .. 7
†DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 4	*††W. LESLIE WELLER .. Tenor

Composed by D. KNOX.

Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

\* 25th peal together. † First in the method. †† 25th peal together.

## CALVERLEY, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., May 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID.

## A PEAL OF 5088 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM A. KIRKBY .. Treble	HAROLD B. SCHOFIELD .. 5
IRIS LEMARE .. .. 2	LEONARD GOODALL .. .. 6
A PETER WHITEHEAD .. 3	BARRY SULLIVAN .. .. 7
S. BARRY SCHOFIELD .. 4	ROGER J. LUMLEY .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by LEONARD GOODALL.

## WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., May 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5088 AYLESTONE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

C. EDWARD LANKESTER .. Treble	DENNIS KNOX .. .. 5
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY.. 2	VERNON GREEN .. .. 6
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 3	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 7
*ALICK CUTLER .. .. 4	JOHN HILL .. .. Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX. Conducted by G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY.

\* 300th peal on the bells. First in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.

In memoriam John E. Rootes.

## MADINGLEY SURPRISE MAJOR

H. and M. Collection, No. 4,721

x 56 x 1456 x 58 x 16 x 14 x 38 x 56 x 58 L.H. 12 5.

## CHESTER, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-WITHIN-THE-WALLS.

## A PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR

JOHN W. GRIFFITHS .. Treble	DENNIS H. B. MILLWARD .. 5
*DAVID E. COLLINS .. .. 2	PHILIP J. EVANS .. .. 6
FREDERICK R. EVANS .. 3	*JOHN S. DEAN .. .. 7
*TREVOR HOLMES .. .. 4	*GEOFFREY PARTING .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by JOHN W. GRIFFITHS.

\* First peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major.

Tenor 14 cwt.

## DARLINGTON, CO. DURHAM.

## THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 3 Hours.

AT THE COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT.

## A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 14 lb. in F.

DORIS M. KILLINGLEY .. Treble	*ERIC JACKSON .. .. 5
ROHILLA M. COOKE .. .. 2	JACK ROACH .. .. 6
FRED HODGSON .. .. 3	THOMAS M. COX .. .. 7
JANET WARWICK .. .. 4	THOMAS COOKE .. .. Tenor

Composed by G. H. CROSS (C.C.C., No. 8).

Conducted by THOMAS COOKE.

\* First peal.

A 21st birthday compliment to Janet Warwick and Brenda Cooke, both ringers at this church; also a 12th birthday compliment to Susan Roach, daughter of the ringer of the sixth.

## HADDENHAM, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 19½ cwt.

*SYDNEY M. BAILEY .. Treble	ROY WOODRUFF .. .. 5
JOYCE I. BARTON .. .. 2	WALTER LEE .. .. 6
†ROGER G. HAZELL .. .. 3	JOHN YOUNG .. .. 7
E. DENNIS POOLE .. .. 4	*†DAVID A. CORNWALL .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. BURTON.

Conducted by DAVID A. CORNWALL.

\* 40th peal together. † 25th peal together.

## HOWDEN, YORKSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

AT THE MINSTER CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

## A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lb. in E flat.

MALCOLM E. WADE .. Treble	A. MAXWELL LINDSEY .. 5
GARRY WM. MASON .. .. 2	R. KINGSLEY MASON.. .. 6
DAVID G. WILFORD .. .. 3	ROLAND H. COOK .. .. 7
WILLIAM A. LACEY .. .. 4	ALAN E. HARTLEY .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by ROLAND H. COOK.

## PATRINGTON, YORKSHIRE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK.

## A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 24 lb. in G.

GARRY WM. MASON .. Treble	ROLAND H. COOK .. .. 5
*MALCOLM E. WADE .. .. 2	DAVID G. WILFORD .. .. 6
ALAN E. HARTLEY .. .. 3	R. KINGSLEY MASON.. .. 7
WILLIAM A. LACEY .. .. 4	A. MAXWELL LINDSEY .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY (No. 7).

Conducted by R. KINGSLEY MASON.

\* First peal in the method.

## THORPE BAY, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE.

## A PEAL OF 5152 SOUTHEND-ON-SEA TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt.

PETER D. CHAPMAN .. Treble	ROBERT J. CHAPMAN.. .. 5
ROY D. TOMLIN .. .. 2	DAVID E. BELCHAM .. .. 6
TERENCE T. JONES .. .. 3	MICHAEL J. HALLETT.. .. 7
FRANK C. MAY .. .. 4	ALFRED J. HOUSE .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by ALFRED J. HOUSE.

First peal in the method.

Rung to mark the jubilee of the Diocese of Chelmsford; also that of the County Borough of Southend-on-Sea, in whose area this tower is situated.

## SOUTHEND-ON-SEA TREBLE BOB MAJOR

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## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

CROFT, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Fri., April 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,  
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In five methods, viz.: (1) Durham, Beverley and Surfleet, (2) Cambridge, (3) Beverley and Surfleet, (4) Cambridge and Ipswich, (5, 6 and 7) Cambridge.  
Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb. in B.  
FREDERICK WATSON .. .. Treble K. PAUL GILLIVER .. .. 4  
MRS. JILL BELCHER .. .. 2 JOHN WATKINS .. .. 5  
LAWRENCE WATKINS .. .. 3 BRIAN L. BURROWS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN L. BURROWS.

First peal of Minor as conductor.

SWYNNERTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Consisting of ten extents of Stedman, 16 Plain Bob and 16 Grandsire.  
Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb.  
PATRICIA MILLS .. .. Treble DAVID J. MIDGELEY .. .. 4  
G. ARNOLD MOORE .. .. 2 \*LESLIE WALLEY .. .. 5  
GEOFFREY C. BEECH .. .. 3 WILLIAM WATKIN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by G. ARNOLD MOORE.

\*First peal of Doubles.

Rung for the wedding of Brian Ronald Wood and Sylvia Marion Veitch, a member of the choir and 1st Lieutenant in the 1st Eccleshall Guide Company.

WARBLETON, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being one Morris' 240 and 40 six-scores. Tenor 10 cwt. 9 lb. in A flat.  
\*GODFREY M. FITZHUGH Treble §J. MICHAEL SWIFT .. .. 4  
†CHRISTINE M. FULLER .. .. 2 PHILIP D. POPE .. .. 5  
†ALAN R. BALDOCK .. .. 3 ROSEMARY EARL .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN R. BALDOCK.

\*First peal away from cover bell. †First of Grandsire Doubles.  
‡25th for the Association. §First 'inside.'

WEST LAVINGTON, WILTSHIRE.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in five methods, viz.: Six extents Reverse St. Bartholomew, six of April Day, ten each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, Plain Bob and Grandsire. Tenor 12 cwt. in G.  
K. BARRY OSBORNE .. .. Treble \*COLIN SMITH .. .. 4  
PAMELA A. OSBORNE .. .. 2 DERRICK P. BAILEY .. .. 5  
COLIN C. HILLIER .. .. 3 †WILLIAM T. ALEXANDER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DERRICK P. BAILEY.

\*First peal, first attempt. †First peal. First in five methods by all the band.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. Mervyn Hillier and Miss Sylvia Champan, who were married at this church prior to the peal.

WHEATLEY, OXFORDSHIRE.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 10 cwt. in A flat.  
HELEN HOWES .. .. Treble ANDREW HOWES .. .. 4  
ANGELA AYRES .. .. 2 FRANK ABSOLOM .. .. 5  
ROGER HEYWORTH .. .. 3 GERALD MCILHONE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GERALD MCILHONE.

First peal on the bells.

FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
On Sun., May 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-EVANGELIST,

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being one extent of London and two each Surfleet, Beverley and Cambridge. Tenor 12½ cwt.  
CHRISTOPHER A. LOMAX .. Treble BERNARD MOSS .. .. 4  
ALBERT GREENHALGH .. .. 2 JOHN P. PARTINGTON .. .. 5  
GEOFFREY FOTHERGILL .. .. 3 JOHN ASHCROFT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN ASHCROFT.

First peal in four Surprise Minor methods by all.

HALSALL, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.  
On Sun., May 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In three methods, being one extent Cambridge Surprise, two Kent T.B. and four Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb. in A flat.  
RICHARD S. STARKIE .. .. Treble JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. 4  
MALCOLM A. PHILLIPS .. .. 2 CHRISTOPHER K. COOPER .. .. 5  
HAZEL A. ARROWSMITH .. .. 3 JEFFREY J. FOX .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JEFFREY J. FOX.

First peal of Minor as conductor, and his 25th peal.

EAST BRIDGFORD, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.  
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., May 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in six methods, viz.: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Oxford Treble Bob, (3) Kent Treble Bob, (4) St. Clement's Bob, (5) Oxford Bob, (6 and 7) Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 1 lb. in F.  
RUTH BLACKSHAW .. .. Treble GEORGE A. DAWSON .. .. 4  
DAVID R. INGRAM .. .. 2 MAURICE W. HARRISON .. .. 5  
ROBIN H. ROGERS .. .. 3 WILLIAM L. EXTON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM L. EXTON.

EXETER, DEVON.  
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.  
On Tues., May 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETROCK,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In four methods, viz.: (1) Oxford, (2 and 3) Kent, (4 and 5) Cambridge, (6 and 7) Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt.  
JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD .. Treble NORMAN MALLETT .. .. 4  
JEAN F. BARNETT .. .. 2 MARTIN F. LOCK .. .. 5  
ANN E. FELLOWS .. .. 3 COLIN REEVES .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD.

HOLT, WILTSHIRE.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(Devizes Branch.)

On Tues., May 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. KATHARINE,

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED DOUBLES

Being three extents each of (1) St. Simon's and Braywood, (2) St. Martin's and Welford, (3) St. Osmund's and Longworth, (4) St. Simon's and Slapton, (5) St. Martin's and Merton, (6) St. Osmund's and Rugby, (7) St. Nicholas' and Hascombe, (8) Winchendon Place and Thornborough, (9) St. Remigius' and Longford, (10) Plain Bob and Candlesby, (11) Rev. Canterbury Pleasure and Raveningham, (12) All Saints, (13) Rev. St. Bartholomew, (14) Grandsire; 22 individual methods; 211 changes of method. Tenor 11 cwt. in G.  
J. NIBBS .. .. Treble D. NIBBS .. .. 4  
R. J. PURNELL .. .. 2 P. S. GAISFORD .. .. 5  
\*D. ORLEDGE .. .. 3 D. LOVELOCK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by R. J. PURNELL.

\*First peal of Doubles. Most Doubles methods to a peal, by the band, and on the bells for the Salisbury Guild.

BRADPOLE, DORSET.  
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(West Dorset Branch.)

On Wed., May 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Ten callings. Tenor 13 cwt. 9 lb. in F sharp.  
\*MELVYN HILLER .. .. Treble HAROLD C. R. VINE .. .. 4  
\*DAVID B. ELLERY .. .. 2 †IVAN L. ANDREWS .. .. 5  
H. DENNIS W. BISHOP .. .. 3 \*ARTHUR CASE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by H. DENNIS W. BISHOP.

\*First attempt for a peal. †First peal.  
Rung for Ascensiontide.

BRISTOL.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
On Wed., May 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR

Tenor 14½ cwt.  
\*JENNIFER M. TAYLOR .. Treble \*JAMES R. TAYLOR .. .. 4  
ELISABETH A. G. BOWDEN .. 2 \*PATRICK J. BIRD .. .. 5  
†GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. .. 3 D. JOHN HUNT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

\*First peal of London Minor. †First of London. First in the method as conductor.

DOWNHAM, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.  
On Thurs., May 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being extents of Double Oxford, Bourne Surprise, Oxford T.B., St. Clement's, Kent T.B., Cambridge Surprise, Plain Bob. Tenor 7½ cwt.  
PETER PERKINS .. .. Treble MICHAEL HALLETT .. .. 4  
PETER BROWN .. .. 2 ALFRED HOUSE .. .. 5  
PETER WILKINSON .. .. 3 DAVID BELCHAM .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID BELCHAM.

First peal of Minor as conductor.  
Rung for Ascension Day.

GREAT GLEN, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Fri., May 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN AND REVERSE CANTERBURY BOB MINOR

Being three variations of calling. Tenor 9 cwt. 26 lb.  
RICHARD S. MOORE .. .. Treble N. RODERICK ELLWAY .. .. 4  
LAWRENCE GREENHOW .. .. 2 RUPERT A. CLARKE .. .. 5  
BRIAN W. S. LAW .. .. 3 MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by RUPERT A. CLARKE.



**HUCKNALL, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.***On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,***A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 42 extents, 21 each of Grandsire and Plain Bob. Tenor 12½ cwt.  
 \*LYN WILKINSON (16) .. Treble | PETER NIX .. .. 4  
 HERBERT LEWIN .. .. 2 | \*NORMAN WISER .. .. 5  
 †S. PATRICIA M. NIX .. 3 | \*DEBORAH HAYWOOD (15) Tenor

Conducted by PETER NIX.

\* First peal. † 25th peal.

Rung in honour of the enthronement this day of Rt. Rev. Gordon Savage as Bishop of Southwell.

**LITTLE ASTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.****THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.***On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,***A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

Consisting of 13 methods, in the following seven extents: (1) Coldstream and Lincoln, (2) London, Wells and Cuncastre; (3) Durham, Beverley, Surfleet and York; (4) Norwich, (5) Ipswich, (6) Bourne, (7) Cambridge. Tenor 9 cwt. 13 lb. in A.  
 CYNTHIA M. FOLLIS .. .. Treble | EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. 4  
 D. KAY MOORE .. .. 2 | P. GEORGE GOLDER .. .. 5  
 MARILYN C. SMITH .. .. 3 | \*MICHAEL W. FAIREY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL W. FAIREY.

\* 50th peal. Greatest number of Surprise Minor methods to a peal by all the band, on the bells, and for the Society.

Rung by members of the local band for Ascensiontide.

**SILK WILLOUGHBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.****THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DENIS,***A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent of Kent Treble Bob and Single Oxford, two of Single Court and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb.  
 RICHARD A. HUNT .. .. Treble | CHARLES R. MUXLOW .. .. 4  
 HENRY P. COLLIN .. .. 2 | WALTER WESTON .. .. 5  
 \*VALERIE P. HUMPHRYS .. 3 | JAMES H. MUSSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.

\* First peal in four methods.

A tribute of respect for Mr. Herbert Williams, ringer, chorister and faithful churchman.

**WARSOP, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.****THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Sun., May 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,**AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,***A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 14½ cwt.  
 \*DAVID WHETTON .. .. Treble | MALCOLM PHIPPS .. .. 4  
 BRINDLEY RICHARDS .. .. 2 | RONALD BULLEN .. .. 5  
 FRANK COOKE .. .. 3 | HERBERT T. ROOKE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT T. ROOKE.

\* First peal of Surprise.

Rung in honour of the enthronement of the Rt. Rev. Gordon Savage as Lord Bishop of Southwell.

**TOWCESTER, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.****THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Tues., May 12, 1964, in 3 Hours,**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,***A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Tenor 16 cwt.  
 ROGER W. SMITH .. .. Treble | †P. DAVID TAYLOR .. .. 4  
 DAVID BURBIDGE .. .. 2 | ALAN A. PAUL .. .. 5  
 \*ALAN C. COZENS .. .. 3 | BARRIE HENDRY .. .. Tenor

Composed by REV. E. BANKES JAMES. Conducted by BARRIE HENDRY.

\* First peal of Surprise Minor. † First of Surprise. Fastest peal on the bells.

**WASHINGTON, SUSSEX.****THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.***On Fri., May 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,***A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods: Beverley, Surfleet and Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Plain Bob and St. Clement's. Tenor 9 cwt. 25 lb.  
 J. R. MAPLE .. .. Treble | ROBERT WAKE .. .. 4  
 PATRICIA DISERENS .. .. 2 | RONALD F. DISERENS .. .. 5  
 BRIAN J. LUFF .. .. 3 | LEONARD STILWELL .. .. Tenor

Conducted by LEONARD STILWELL.

Rung as a welcome to Rosemary Joan, daughter of J. R. and Joan Maple, both local ringers.

**CHURCH MINSHULL, CHESHIRE.****THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,**AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,***A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In four methods, being ten extents each of Reverse Canterbury, Southrepps and Kennington, and 12 of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. in G.  
 HOWARD G. FLYNN .. Treble | †JAMES S. BAKER .. .. 3  
 \*TERENCE E. TRICKETT .. 2 | †ANTHONY R. TRICKETT .. 4  
 FRANK R. MORTON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK R. MORTON.

\* First peal 'inside.' † First of Doubles 'inside.' ‡ 25th peal for the Guild

**HANDBELL PEALS****JESMOND, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.****THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Sun., March 29, 1964, in 2 Hours (approx.),**IN ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH HALL,***A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in five methods, viz.: (1) Single Oxford and Single Court, (2, 4, 6 and 7) Plain Bob, (3) Double and Reverse Plain Bob, (5) Double and Plain Bob. Tenor size 15 in C.

\*ANDREW G. CRADDOCK .. 1—2 | ALAN R. PATTERSON (Cond.) 3—4  
 RODNEY A. YEATES .. .. 5—6

\* First peal in more than one method.

**JESMOND, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.****THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Sun., April 5, 1964, in 1 Hour and 52 Minutes,**IN THE TOWER OF ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH,***A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in seven methods, viz.: (1) College and St. Clement's, (2, 4 and 7) Plain Bob, (3) Single Oxford and Single Court, (5) Double, Reverse and Plain Bob; (6) Double and Plain Bob. Tenor size 15 in C.

\*ANDREW G. CRADDOCK .. 1—2 | ALAN R. PATTERSON (Cond.) 3—4  
 RODNEY A. YEATES .. .. 5—6

\* Most methods to a peal.

**ALLESTREE, DERBYSHIRE.****THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Thurs., March 26, 1964, in 1 Hour and 45 Minutes,**AT 221, PORTREETH DRIVE,***A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 12 extents each of Grandsire and April Day and six each of Plain Bob, Kennington and Old. Tenor size 15 in C.

\*KEVIN BETESTA .. .. 1—2 | DAVID WALKLATE (Cond.) 3—4  
 \*WILLIAM ALLSOPP .. .. 5—6

\* First peal 'in hand.'

Also with the band as above

*On Tues., March 31, 1964, in 1 Hour and 50 Minutes,***A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 120 each Litchurch, Seighford, Besthorpe, 1.088 April Day and 720 R.S. Bartholomew, 360 each Old, Kennington, 1.440 Plain Bob and 720 Grandsire.

Also

*On Wed., April 1, 1964, in 1 Hour and 51 Minutes,***A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 120 each Costessy, St. David, Little Aston, Clifford's Pleasure, R. Canterbury, Southrepps, Besthorpe, Litchurch, Seighford, Kennington, R. St. Bartholomew, Grandsire, Newborough, Allestree, Alvaston, 240 St. Werburgh, 360 Old, 840 April Day and 1.800 Plain Bob.

Allestree is Grandsire with Antelope calls. Alvaston is Plain Bob with Plain Bob bobs and Old singles.

Also

*On Mon., April 6, 1964, in 1 Hour and 37 Minutes,***A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 120 each Southrepps, R. Canterbury, St. Columb, Clifford's Pleasure, Costessy, Little Aston, Litchurch, St. David's, Old, Besthorpe, Seighford, St. Werburgh, St. Alkmund, Marchington, Grandsire, Allestree, Shardlow, R. St. Bartholomew, 240 Kennington, 600 April Day and 2,040 Plain Bob.

Shardlow is R. Canterbury with Plain Bob bobs and Old singles.

Also

*On Tues., April 7, 1964, in 1 Hour and 37 Minutes,***A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being five extents each of Plain Bob, R. Canterbury, Kennington, Southrepps, Old, St. Columb, April Day, and seven Clifford's Pleasure.

Conducted by KEVIN BETESTA.

First handbell peal as conductor.

**BRADFORD, YORKSHIRE.****THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Tues., April 28, 1964, in 3 Hours,**AT 10, LAISTERDYKE,***A PEAL OF 5184 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

HAROLD B. SCHOFIELD .. 1—2 | LEONARD GOODALL .. .. 5—6  
 A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. 3—4 | \*ROGER J. LUMLEY .. .. 7—8  
 Composed by GEOFFREY DODDS. Conducted by LEONARD GOODALL.

\* First peal 'in hand.'

**MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.****THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Wed., April 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes,**AT 20, TYTHERING COURT,***A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

Tenor size 18 in G.

ALAN A. POTTS .. .. 1—2 | ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. 5—6  
 C. KENNETH LEWIS .. .. 3—4 | NEIL BENNETT .. .. 7—8  
 JOHN WORTH .. .. .. 9—10

Composed by H. FRANCIS. Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

**WARWICK.****THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Thurs., April 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 14 Minutes,**IN ST. MARY'S BELFREY,***A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 12 extents (four callings) of Plain Bob and 30 of Grandsire (ten callings). Tenor size 14 in D.

WILLIAM H. MALE .. 1—2—3—4 | \*GEOFFREY W. RANDALL .. 5—6

Conducted by WILLIAM H. MALE.

\* First peal 'in hand,' and of Doubles.



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### BIRTHS

**BRYANT.**—On Sunday, May 17th, 1964. St. Mowbray House, Exeter, Devon, a daughter (Jane Sarah) to Joyce (née Johnson) and Clive, of 104, Chancellor's Way, Iolanth Park, Whipton, Exeter. 4728

**WYLDE.**—On Friday, May 22nd, 1964, to Brian and Barbara (née Stephens) at Mary Stanley Nursing Home, Bridgwater, a daughter, Sara. 4744

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

**FRIEND.**—The address of David W. Friend is now 85, Harrington Street (off Portland Street), Dgby. 4737

### PERSONAL

'The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: Yea it is even he that shall keep thy soul.' (Psalm cxxi. 7.)

### MISCELLANEOUS

**BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Practice meetings at Holy Trinity Church, Hall, on the last Saturday night of each month are suspended until further notice.—K. Kirk, Hon. Sec. 4736

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—District Dinner on Saturday, September 26th, at Trinity Hall, Sittingbourne (two minutes from station), at cost of 12s. per head. Members from all Districts welcome—excellent rail service with connections to many parts of Kent. Tickets will be available later from Mrs. B. W. May. Watch this column for further details and make this date in your diary.—District Dinner Committee. 4746

**RINGER** (South Bucks), travelling by car to September Grantley Hall week-end, has spare seats. Anyone interested please write Box 4727, c/o 'Ringing World' Office, Onslow Street, Guildford. 4727

**SOUTHAMPTON, UNIVERSITY GUILD.**—The 1964 summer tour will be held in Cornwall from Saturday, July 4th, to Sunday, July 12th. Everyone welcome. Details from J. H. Taylor, 79, Hillside Avenue, Bitterne Park, Southampton. 4758

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Peal Levy.—There will be a levy of 1s. per ringer in respect of all peals rung on or after June 1st, 1964. Conductors should remit this levy to the Peal Secretary when they submit the details and composition of peals rung for the Association.—Peal Secretary, W. E. Critchley, 38, Castle Hills Road, Seawthorpe, Doncaster. 4755

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### MEETINGS

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Horsley Cup final, Horsley, May 30th, 2.30 p.m. Non-competitors send names for tea to D. Marshall, 52, Wyvern Avenue, Long Eaton, Nottingham. 4499

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Hunt District.—Meeting at Warboys, Saturday, May 30th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service and tea subject to minor alteration.—M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 4725

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**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Bishop's Stortford District.—Braughing ringing feast, Saturday, May 30th. Ringing at Braughing 3 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m., followed by meeting and ringing in the evening. Names for tea, please, to Mr. P. Glazebrook, 11, Friars Road, Braughing, Ware.—D. Kingston. 4720

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Central District.—Meeting at Elstree, May 30th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business. South Mimms bells 6.30 to 8 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. T. J. Lock, 57, Holloways Lane, North Mymms, Hatfield, Tel. Hatfield 2866. 4673

**LADIES' GUILD.**—North-Eastern District.—Meeting, Saturday, May 30th, St. Mary's, Richmond (8). Start at 3 p.m. Names for tea to Miss D. M. Killingley, 10, Pottergate, Richmond, Yorks. All visitors welcome. 4724

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Rutland Branch.—Meeting, Exton (6 bells), Saturday, May 30th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to W. C. A. Clark, Middle Street, Wing. 4713

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practice meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube station) on Monday, June 1st, at 7 p.m. 4756

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—Practice meetings at Leigh, June 5th and July 3rd from 7.30 p.m. These are arranged to assist learners, your help appreciated.—G. A. W. 4738

### ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

A meeting will be held at Cardiff on Saturday, June 6th, 1964. Ringing Programme:

Newport Cathedral, 10.45 a.m.-12 noon. St. John's, Cardiff, 2-4.30 p.m. Llandaff Cathedral, 3.30-4.45 p.m.

Lunch will be reserved at 'The Tennis Court Hotel', Cardiff (opposite St. John's Church), for those sending names and cash (10s. per head) by Monday, June 1st, to Mr. M. J. Pryor, 43, Downton Road, Rumney, Cardiff. Business meeting at 'The Tennis Court Hotel', at 5 p.m.

A private bus will take members from Newport to Cardiff, also to and from Llandaff at a nominal charge.

**JOHN CHILCOTT,** Hon. Sec.,  
14, Lawson Glade,  
The Glebe, Hawley,  
near Camberley, Surrey. 4709

**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Warwick Archdeaconry District.—Meeting Saturday, June 6th, at Wellesbourne. Bells (6) 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Own tea arrangements.—P. Bennett, Sec. 4704

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Peak District.—Meeting at Hope, Saturday, June 6th, 3 p.m. Own tea arrangements.—Mrs. G. Richardson, Dis. Sec. 4760

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—Meeting at Clent on June 6th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Names for tea (which are essential) to me by June 3rd.—M. D. Fellows, Secs., 14, Western Road, Stourbridge, Wores. 4705

**DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Northern and Western Districts.—Combined meeting at Allendale, June 6th. Bells (8) 3-7.30 p.m. Bus leaves Bewick Street, Newcastle, 1 p.m., picking up at Whickham, Consett and Lanchester. Fare 6s. Tea 4 p.m. Names at once to H. P. Thompson, 3, Hallgarth Terrace, Lanchester, Durham. 4723

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ely District.—Meeting at Littleport (8) on Saturday, June 6th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Special methods: Double Norwich and Superlative. 4718

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Practice meeting at Wallington on June 6th at 5.30 p.m.—E. Buck, Dis. Sec. 4729

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—By-meeting at Cobham on June 6th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify Mr. J. W. Gander at The Stores, Cobham, Gravesend, not later than the previous Wednesday.—L. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec. 4745

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—By-meeting, Littlebourne on Saturday, June 6th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea in Village Hall at 2s. 3d. per head. Those who require tea must notify by June 3rd, together with cash, please, to Mr. T. Young, 2, Loddington Cottages, Littlebourne, near Canterbury. 4712

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—Monthly meeting and striking competition will be at Ormskirk on Saturday, June 6th, 2.30 p.m. Own arrangements for tea followed by ringing at Christ Church, Aughton, 6.30-8.30 p.m.—D. R. Jones, Hon. Sec. 4732

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Leicester District.—Meeting, June 6th. Lutterworth bells 3 to 3.45 p.m. Gilmorton bells 3.30 to 4.30. Service 4.30. Tea in Village Hall 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. White, 2, Turville Road, Gilmorton, not later than June 3rd.—A. J. Poyner, Dis. Sec. 4697

**NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting at Mayfield and Ellastone is cancelled. The next meeting will be held at Swynerton on June 6th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. W. Watkin, Early Lane, Swynerton, Staffs by Wednesday, June 3rd.—G. C. Beech. 4722

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Branch.—Meeting, Hapshipburgh, June 6th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, June 3rd, to Mr. G. Larter, 2, School Common Road, Lower Hapshipburgh, Norwich. NOR. 25 Z.—N. P. J. C., Branch Sec. 4467

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bicester and District Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, June 6th, at Piddington (5). Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 4.45 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. E. Jones, 1, Eastview, Piddington, Bicester, Oxon.—C. Kinch, Hon. Sec. 4656

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Newton Longville on Saturday, June 6th. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Names for tea by June 3rd to R. W. Sear, 37, Buckingham Road, Bletchley, Bucks. 4703

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Daventry Branch.—Meeting, Hyfield, Saturday, June 6th. Names for tea to Mr. F. Huft, Knowle Cottage, Byfield, Rugby. Note changed venue and date.—F. Hancock. 4759

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guilsborough Branch.—Meeting at Kelmarsh, Saturday, June 6th. Names by Tuesday previous to J. E. Goddard, 45, Station Road, Long Buckby, Rugby. 4743

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Meeting at Market Lavington (6), Saturday, June 6th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to A. Knight, 6, Southwick Road, North Bradley, Trowbridge. 4694

**SALISBURY GUILD.**—Calne Branch.—Meeting, Broad Hinton (6), June 6th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea to Canon White, Vicarage, Broad Hinton, Swindon.—W. Hacker. 4751

**SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Monthly meeting, Snaith, Saturday, June 6th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Own tea arrangements.—L. M. Woodhead, Hon. Sec. 4711

**SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Cup contest meeting at Old Brampton, Saturday, June 6th, 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Arkwell, 296, Brimington Road, Chesterfield, please.—J. Seager, Sec. 4691



**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Nottingham District.—Meeting. Saturday, June 6th. Thrumpton (5) 2.30 to 4 p.m. Barton (6) 3.30 to 8 p.m. Names for tea to Miss E. Smith, 18, Greendale Gardens, Aspley, Nottingham, by June 3rd.—S. Adams. 4699

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—S.E. District.—Meeting at Oulton, Saturday, June 6th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. Steward, No. 12, Middlewood Cottages, Oulton, Suffolk.—E. G. Pearce, Dis. Sec., 36, St. Andrew's Place, Melton, Woodbridge. 4716

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—Central District.—Evening meeting, Great Finborough (6), Saturday, June 6th, 6.30 to 9 p.m. 4761

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—Practice meeting, Ruspur, June 6th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. to those who notify by Wednesday, June 3rd. Mrs. E. L. Hairs, Norman Cottage, Park Corner, Groombridge, T.N. 438. 4757

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD.**—Alton and Petersfield District.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Buriton on Saturday, June 6th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. in Village Hall. Numbers for tea, please, by June 3rd.—C. E. Bassett, 85, Brook Lane, Warsash, Southampton. 4740

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Christchurch District.—Quarterly meeting on Saturday, June 6th. Breamore. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and meeting in Hulse Hall. Fordingbridge bells after tea. Names essential to Mr. J. Mussell, 'The Shallows,' Breamore, Fordingbridge, Hants. 4750

**WORCESTERSHIRE & DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch.—Practice meeting at Suckley on Saturday, June 6th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea at church fete. Broadwas bells (5) available 6.30-7.30 p.m. 4715

**BARNESLEY & DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Open shield contest, Penistone, near Sheffield. Saturday, June 13th. Draw 2.45 p.m. Entrance fee 10s. Names sent to James W. Buxton, Roydhouse, Shelley, Huddersfield. Please notify for tea by June 6th, Mrs. Arthur Champion, 32, Church View Road, Penistone, Sheffield. 4749

**DEVON GUILD.**—Aylesbeare Branch.—Meeting at Otterton, Saturday, June 13th. Bells 5 p.m. Service 6 p.m. No tea.—R. T. Perry. 4734

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Meeting at Dunmow, June 13th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to Dr. L. S. Castleden, Clock House Cottage, Dunmow. 4731

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.W. District.—Meeting at North Ockendon on June 13th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss J. Scott, Baldwins Farm, Upminster. 4752

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Summer festival, Saturday, June 13th, in the Leatherhead District. Ringing arrangements: Merrow (6), 10 to 11 a.m.; West Clendon (8), 10.30 to 11.30; Cobham (6), 11 a.m. to 12 noon; Stoke D'Abernon (6), 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.; Epsom Common (8), 12 noon to 1 p.m.; Ewell (8), 12.30 to 2; Banstead (8), 1.30 to 2.30; Epsom (St. Martin's) (10), 2 to 3; Ashted (8), 2.30 to 4; Dorking (8), 3.30 to 4.30 and after Evensong until 7.30; Newdigate (6), 7.15 to 8.30; Capel (6) and Ockley (6), 7.30 to 8.45 p.m. Lunch (5s. 6d.) will be provided at Ewell between 12.30 and 2 p.m. to those only who notify their requirements to Mrs. C. W. Munday, 37, Bradford Drive, Ewell, Epsom (Tel. Ewell 4986), by June 11th. Tea at Dorking 4.45 p.m. for those who notify Miss E. Clear, 'Murree,' Lonsdale Road, Dorking (Tel. Dorking 2589), by June 11th. Evensong at Dorking 6 p.m., conducted by Rev. Jack Roundhill, M.A., Vicar of Dorking. 4753

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Central Branch.—Meeting, Saturday, June 13th, Ewerby. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by the Wednesday previous to Mr. J. Porter, 52, Ewerby, near Sleaford, Lincs.—S. A. Chambers. 4736

## LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION

### LLANDAFF BRANCH

Quarterly meeting to be held at Llantwit Major on Saturday, June 13th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business to follow. Names for tea before June 8th to W. J. Goodfellow, 33, Brook Road, Fairwater, Cardiff. 4688

**ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Annual general meeting, Llanstephan, Saturday, June 13th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. W. Taylor, Preswylfa, Brook Cottages, Llanstephan, Carmar. —R. Warburton, Hon. Sec. 4742

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD.**—Winchester District.—Quarterly meeting, Stockbridge, June 13th. Bells (6) 2.30 until service, 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. at the Old Three Cups Cafe, followed by meeting. Nether Wallop bells (5) available 6.30 p.m. Names for tea by June 8th to D. B. Brown, 3, Moss Road, Winnall, Winchester. 4730

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Evesham Bell Tower on Saturday, June 13th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to me by Tuesday, June 9th.—W. J. Newman, Manor Farm, Hinton. 4706

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—Annual meeting, June 13th, Howdon Minster, joint with BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. Bells (8) available 2.30 till 9 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. in Green Room, near church. Names to Mr. A. E. Newham, 31, Pinfold Street, Howdon, near Goole, Yorkshire, by June 11th. Business meeting, election of officers, new reports available.—H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec. 4733

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual festival will be held in Oxford on Saturday, June 27th, 9.45 a.m. Corporate Communion; 11 a.m. Festival Service at Christ Church Cathedral; 12 noon annual meeting in the Chapter House; 1.30 p.m. luncheon in the Dining Hall. Ringing arrangements as on agenda. Luncheon tickets (7s. each) from Mr. A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Church Lane, Wexham, Slough, Bucks. Names, together with remittance, by Tuesday, June 23rd.—Marie R. Cross, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4541

**SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY.**—Preliminary Notice.—Great ringing day will be held on Saturday, June 27th. Bells (12) available 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Lunch and tea arranged if notified.—L. E. Pitstow. 4721

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ringers' Rally, Saturday, July 4th. Service and tea Maidstone. No business. Eighteen towers for ringing. Details later. Tonbridge District meeting date to be altered.—P. A. Corby, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4754

## HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

At the invitation of the local band, the St. Albans District held their April meeting at Hatfield, where ringing ranged from rounds to Surprise Royal. The Rector (the Rev. J. W. Stow) conducted Evensong. In his sermon he spoke of bells as the 'voice of the community,' rejoicing or mourning events about which the parish felt strongly.

A good tea was provided by the locals and the Rector took the chair at the meeting. The meeting particularly appreciated Mrs. Coburn's imaginative report of the Coventry outing. The best wishes of those present were sent to Christine Rimmer for a speedy recovery when it was heard that she had been involved in a car crash. Katherine Maylott was elected a new member. After the vote of thanks Geoff Dodds gave his second talk on conducting.

J. D. C.

**CUMBERLAND & NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION.**—A practice meeting of the Western Branch will be held at Irlton on June 6th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea before June 1st to D. M. Hunns, Greengarth Hostel, Holmrook. 4765

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

### Marlborough Branch

The Marlborough Branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild met at Ramsbury on May 16th for their monthly practice. This was only a week after the annual Guild Festival at Marlborough and it says much for the enthusiasm of the members that such a good attendance resulted. The ringers were present from Chisledon, Aldbourne, Marlborough (St. Peter's), Everleigh, Marlborough (St. Mary's), Collingbourne Ducis and Axford, and included a number of youthful members.

Visitors were also welcomed from Swindon and Bristol. Under the direction of the Ringing Master (the Rev. Roger Keeley), ringing commenced at 2.45 p.m. and continued in rounds and changes until 4.15 p.m., when tea was taken in the Church Room.

The chairman (Mr. G. Newman) presided at the short business meeting which followed and he made a strong plea to all to support the Ringing Master by helping learners when they were noticed to be in difficulties.

Tentative suggestions were made as to the venue for the annual Branch outing in September. South Dorset being mentioned as a possibility. It was agreed to hold the June meeting at Great Bedwyn and St. Katherine's (Savernake Forest) subject to permission being granted.

On the motion of the chairman a hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mrs. Smythe and her helpers for the splendid tea enjoyed, and to the Vicar (the Rev. Dr. Philp) for the use of the bells. A warm welcome was extended to the visitors.

The Guild service was held at 6 p.m., the Vicar officiating, with Mr. W. Lowe at the organ, and ringing was afterwards resumed until 7.30 p.m. Methods rung varied from Grandsire and Stedman to Kent and Cambridge. W. A. E.

## SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT

The May meeting of the Sheffield and District Society was held at Dore on May 2nd. Ringing began at 3 p.m. and touches in a variety of methods from Plain Bob Minor to Double Norwich Major were rung.

The business meeting was held before tea, and business was conducted by the assistant secretary, Mr. D. Armstrong. An excellent tea was served in the Church Hall.

After tea a good standard of ringing was maintained until 9 p.m. Ten towers were represented and methods rung in the evening included London and Bristol Surprise Major.

I. C.

## TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD

### Festival at Gulval

Over 100 ringers of the Penzance Branch attended the Spring Festival at Gulval on May 9th.

The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. D. F. Pett) and the lesson was read by Mr. W. Wood.

A delicious tea was provided by the ladies of Gulval. At the meeting which followed, those present stood in memory of Mrs. Nicholls, a member of the Landewednack band. M. C.

## LATE NOTICES

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—Striking competition at Blackburn Cathedral on June 6th. Bells available 2 p.m. Competition starts 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. approx. (Visitors please send names to M. J. Halliwell, 11, Westminster Road, Darwen.) Ringing after tea at Holy Trinity, Darwen.—J. Pilkington. 4764

**EAST GRINSTEAD & DISTRICT GUILD.**—Meeting Saturday, June 13th, at Keymer (6) 2.30-5. Tea 5.15. Ditchling (8) 6-8.30. Names for tea, by June 12th, to Miss M. A. Ladd, 4, William Street, Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—Annual general meeting, Bury St. Edmunds, Saturday, June 13th. Norman tower 2-3.25 p.m. Service. Cathedral 3.30 p.m. Tea. Masonic Hall 4.30 p.m. Norman tower. Rougham and Gt. Barton available after business meeting. Names for tea to Mr. L. Wright, Horringer Road Stores, Bury St. Edmunds, by Wednesday, June 10th.—J. W. Blythe, Gen. Sec. 4763



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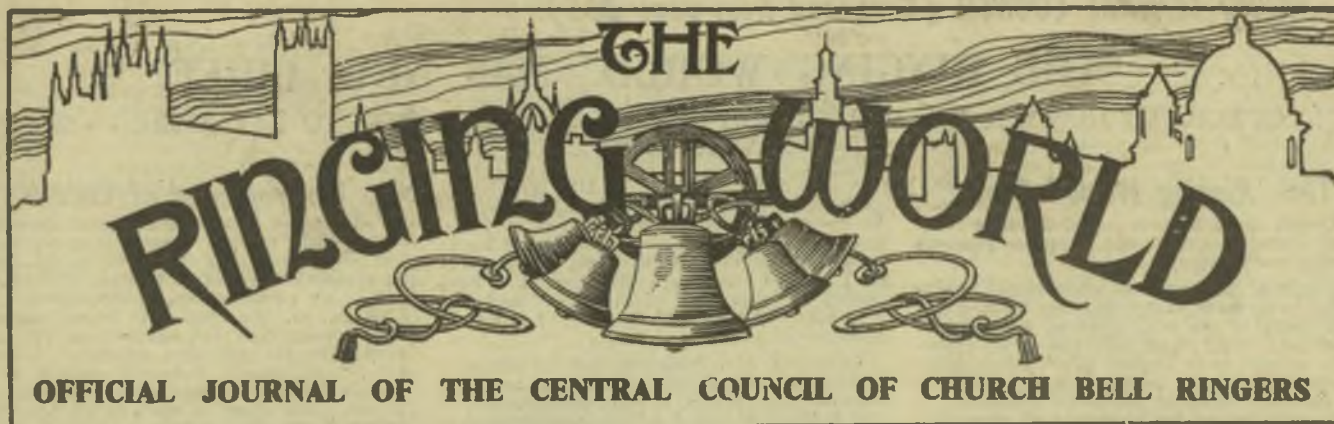
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## THE PROBLEM OF PEALS

THE older one gets the more reluctant is one to face up to change. This week we are introducing what many would regard as a momentous change. Since 'The Ringing World' was founded in 1911 peals have always been set in a traditional style—some unkind persons have referred to them as the design of a monumental mason. In the past, any suggestion of change has been strenuously opposed. For many years the Editor has been hoping against hope that the resources of the paper would equal the enthusiasm of the peal ringers.

Definite signs of the difficulty were apparent last year when 2,961 peals were rung. This was an increase of 138 or, translated into space, the equivalent of 12 pages. At the same time there were complaints about the general reduction of reading matter, the severe curtailment of reports and the lack of technical matters. The spark was exploded by Mr. Denis Bayles, who in two articles explored the general position and made suggestions that would enable peals to be set in a smaller compass.

Advocates of such action have not been lacking. Not only have they pointed out the proportion of the paper occupied by peals, to the detriment of general reading, but have not hesitated to criticise the scant return forthcoming from peal ringers in response to the decision at Bournemouth and reiterated at subsequent meetings. Three or four Associations have been most generous and have organised peal 'fees' but most have left the matter to individuals.

Mr. Frank Hilliar, of Okeford-Fitzpaine, Dorset, this week writes: 'In "The Ringing World," May 15th, 1964, there were 66 quarter peals published and took up one page and a few in odd corners of other pages. There were 62 peals published and they took up 4½ pages. The peals brought in a cash value of £2 6s. 6d. and the quarter peals £6 11s. 9d. This is what happens in every issue "more or less." I think the space allowed should be reversed. What do other ringers think?'

We are repeatedly told that peal ringers 'are the backbone of the Exercise and "The Ringing World".' This is probably true. From our postal subscribers' mailing lists we have evidence that there is hardly a fairly regular peal ringer who is not a subscriber and that the percentage of peal ringers who take the journal is probably three times as high as those who confine their special ringing to quarter peals.

At Truro, 'The Ringing World' Committee spent a considerable amount of time discussing the space position. The conclusion reached was that no economy in space on

peals was effective unless at least an extra peal a column could be printed. In future the town and dedication of church are to be printed in one line, peals of a Guild or Association grouped under one heading, footnotes severely curtailed, tenor weights to be placed so as to avoid an extra line, and subsidiary lines under the title of Association, such as 'Northern District,' to be abolished. In some cases, particularly Minor on handbells, a separate line for conductor will be avoided by the contraction (Cond.) after the name.

Consideration was also given to quarter peals. Attention was drawn to the fact that some people thought so little of their performance that they waited up to five months before sending it in for publication; others sent four or more every second month. These long-delayed announcements invariably were not accompanied by donations. The Editor reported that those who valued their performance mostly sent either a donation or an order for extra copies. A suggestion that this should govern publication was not acceded to, but authority was given the Editor to disregard such quarter peals which either through date or other reasons he thought it inadvisable not to publish. In five days this week we have received 95 quarter peals. Last week in a page-and-a-half we had about 75!

The Editor is really indignant of the hoax regarding the 'peal' reported from Great Milton, camouflaged by the introduction of the names of Messrs. W. Birmingham, Frederick Scott and J. Keith Ward (see page 345). Most of the letters received deplore this example of pawky humour, but not so a reader from Farnborough, Hants. He writes:—

'Congratulations to "the Rolling Stones" on ringing a peal at Great Milton, Oxfordshire, on Friday, April 24th (William Wyman, Charles Watts, Brian Jones, Mick Jagger, Keith Richards). Was this to celebrate the release of their first long-playing record? Also may I congratulate Chuck Berry. It's nice to see a composer of pop songs (R. and B.) change to composing peals. As he is an American, I feel that this may be due to the efforts of those who recently went to Washington. Congratulations, Chuck! Would I be sticking my neck out if I said the peal was a hoax?'

This has to stop. If it continues it will wreck the Exercise and the keeping of records. An alternative might have to be introduced of a peal being countersigned by the peal secretary of a Guild or Association, or a duly accredited person. It is obvious that the perpetrator of the hoax was 'one of us,' who is now out of touch with the delights of his children's children. Let us hope that teaching is not his future profession!



## TRURO CENTRAL COUNCIL (Continued from page 355)

# 'THE RINGING WORLD' HAS NEW CHIEF

COUNCIL TO HONOUR MR. SMALLWOOD — POSTAL SUBSCRIBERS TO PAY MORE — SPACE SAVING ON PEALS

### The 'Ringing World' Report

Despite the difficulties caused by rising costs, your journal has continued to appear regularly throughout the year.

Events of national and international importance have made heavy demands upon available space in the peal columns, which could have been easily dealt with had it been possible to have more 24-page issues, but as strict economy had to be exercised, it was necessary to cut them down to the barest minimum.

Examination of the accounts will show that we are not quite paying our way, but contributions from well-wishers towards the costs of production have helped to produce a balance on the right side.

Your Committee desires to express sincere thanks to Mr. T. W. White, the Editor, for his loyal and painstaking efforts; to the Woodbridge Press, Ltd., to all literary and financial contributors, especially the Oxford Diocesan Guild and the Bath and Wells Association, to Mr. H. L. Roper for compiling the index, to Mr. Jeater for supervising the accounts; to all regular readers; and to all who have in any way helped us with our work.

May we make a strong appeal to all postal subscribers to renew their subscriptions promptly and so save the work and expense of sending out reminder cards.

#### PROFIT £368

The accounts of 'The Ringing World', which had been edited by Messrs. Caldwell and Braham, were circulated with the report.

The Profit and Loss Account on the debit side showed printing and blocks £5,472 17s. (£5,297); editorial office expenses £981 14s. 2d. (£915); postal subscribers (dispatch of copies, addressing and wrappers) £1,717 9s. 3d. (£1,577); Accounts Department £301 3s. 11d. (£303); miscellaneous £79 0s. 6d. (£23); audit and accountancy £36 15s. (£37); interest receivable Schedule 'D' £107 17s. 6d. (£105). Total expenditure £8,646 17s. 4d. Profit for the year £368 19s. 1d. (£747).

On the credit side income was Rolls House Publishing Company £2,723 16s. 5d. (£2,772); postal subscriptions £4,347 11s. 5d. (£4,204); donations £477 2s. (£449); advertisements £515 3s. 10d. (£536); notices and peal reports £623 4s. 5d. (£639); sundry receipts £42 10s. 6d. (£39); interest received £276 7s. 10d. (£265). Total £9,015 16s. 5d. (£8,904).

The balance sheet showed investments at cost £6,500 (£5,800); cash at bankers £3,131 13s. 10d. (£2,666); cash in hand £2 1s. 3d.

Mr. J. F. Smallwood (convener), presenting the report, said they would be pleased to know that there was a considerable increase in peal and quarter peal ringing. To them it was a very good sign, but to those responsible for the publication it was a headache; because of the pressure caused on space a lot of other material they would like to appear could not always be published. Mr. Dennis Bayles made some very constructive suggestions as to the style peals should be presented; it had been given consideration and they were hoping to effect some slight modification on the style of these reports so as to save space. They must get the peals condensed but at the same time preserve the traditional style. He thanked Mr. Bayles for his suggestions.

They would see from the report that they only broke even through donations; had it not been for them they would have been in the red. It was obvious to everybody that they would have to make a little further effort to increase income. Two years ago there was an increase in postal charges which the committee thought at that time they would carry. They were now going to ask postal subscribers to pay 2s. a year more from their next order; half-yearly and quarterly would be increased in proportion. They were also making slight additional charges on small notices, with a minimum of 4s. for 30 words instead of 3s. 6d.

#### RELEASED FROM DUTIES

Concluding, Mr. Smallwood said: 'This will be my last appearance as convener as I feel that increasing years and not very good health prevent me from doing the work as efficiently as it should be done. The committee have agreed to relieve me of my duties and Mr. Anderson will take on from now. I move the adoption of the report.'

Seconding, Mr. Anderson said he felt very humble in taking office following such an acknowledged person as Mr. Smallwood. 'I can assure you that I will do my best but it will not be anything near to that done by Mr. Smallwood.'

Continuing, Mr. Anderson said he would like to introduce to the Council a person whose name was known to thousands of ringers—he referred to Mr. J. E. Jeater, who had looked after the accounts of 'The Ringing World' for very many years. He had not done the work for the financial recompense. There was never a mistake and he would like to thank him most sincerely for all he had done for this Council (applause).

Mr. Jeater said he was delighted when Mr. Smallwood and Mr. Anderson called upon him and gave him an invitation to be present at that meeting and for the opportunity of meeting so many people he had known only in name. 'I like doing the accounts of "The Ringing World" but I am afraid I shall not be able to do it very much longer as I, like Mr. Smallwood, find years are going on.'

#### PRODUCTION COSTS UP 6%

Mr. Anderson said production costs were up by six per cent. and income by one per cent. There was one other matter on which the committee were taking an opinion. In his last budget proposals the Chancellor said he was going to make provision for taxation of surplus of mutual trading concerns. In future they would be taxed not at 7s. 9d. in the £ but 10s. 9d. That would seriously reduce anything they should be able to put back.

The hon. secretary said on behalf of the Standing Committee he put forward the name of Mr. Smallwood for his election as a life member of the Council next year (applause).

Mr. V. Bottomley said the additional 3s. in the £ profit tax which Mr. Anderson referred to was only payable on profits of £2,000 a year.

Mr. W. E. Critchley said he was a little uneasy about the increase in charges for advertisements. He thought it was almost 37 per cent. He wondered if the committee would reconsider it.

The Editor replied that it was necessary to obtain additional income. The proposal was a uniform charge of 4s. for 30 words for all types of notices. At the present time the charge for meetings was 3s. 6d. for 30 words. They would pay 4s. minimum (an increase of 14 per cent.) and there would still be a reduction of half-price for second and following advertisements. For other notices the charge would be 4s. for 30 words instead of 3s. 6d. present. Many of these advertisements did not exceed 30 words. The charges for advertisements were low compared with other publications and it was a common experience to receive 5s. or more for a notice. Practically all newspapers had revised their small advertisement charges.

Mr. John R. Mayne expressed the hope that members of the Council would do their best to increase the number of postal subscribers.

Mr. R. B. Morris (Shropshire Association) said he had worked out that it would cost another 13s. a year for notices from his Association. It was a sum he would gladly meet.

The report and accounts were then adopted.

### General Fund of Council

The General Fund of the Council showed an excess of income over expenditure of £35 17s. 1d. Income was £140 4s. 2d., made up of £82 10s. affiliation fees and £57 14s. 2d. profit on publications. Expenditure was £106 6s. 1d., the chief item being stationery and printing £38 4s. 1d., postage and telephone £11 15s. 6d., hon. secretary's expenses £10, E. H. Lewis memorial service £8 7s. The Publication Account showed sales at £296 7s. 1d., and stock at the end of year £657 8s. 3d. In the Clement Glenn Bequest, investments at cost were £762 18s. 4d. and cash at bank £136 10s. 6d.

The balance sheet of the Central Council showed assets at £12,334 18s. 2d., made up of library £10, office and library equipment £8 15s. 11d., stock of publications £657 8s. 3d., debtors and payments in advance £942 2s. 7d., investments at cost £7,262 18s. 4d. (market value £7,345 14s. 4d.), cash at bank and in hand £3,133 15s. 1d. On the other side, sundry creditors was £629 4s. 8d., amounts received in advance £1,825 2s., Clement Glenn Fund £899 8s. 10d., capital accounts £8,981 2s. 8d. ('Ringing World' £8,247 11s. 9d.).

Presenting the accounts the hon. secretary and treasurer said the accounts had been audited by Messrs. H. Pittow and A. A. Hughes. Although they made a profit of some £35 on the income and expenditure account, it was only due to the selling power of the Council's publications which made a profit of £57 14s. During the year there had been an unusual amount of stationery and printing done and that was the main reason for the extra expenditure. On the publication account they had a most successful year financially and Mr. and Mrs. Speed could hardly have had a spare moment throughout the year. On the Clement Glenn Bequest the usual £23 had been added as interest on investments. Following the desire of the Council last year, the expenditure incurred by the Sunday Service and Education Committee could be charged to that account. He moved the adoption of the account.

Mr. C. K. Lewis seconded.

Canon K. W. H. Felstead said from the sales of publications it would seem that Plain Major methods would be out of print in 18 months' time and also one or two other publications. Who gave orders for reprinting?

Mr. F. W. Perrens (librarian): 'We do keep that in mind and we have already arranged for that to be attended to.'

Mr. V. Bottomley raised questions on the form of auditor's certificate and also that the title 'consolidated balance sheet' be introduced.

Mr. E. A. Barnett promised to bear these points in mind and the accounts were adopted.

#### ALTERATION OF RULE

The Hon. Secretary proposed to amend Rule 9 (Meetings of the Council) by substituting the words 'at a previous meeting' for 'at the previous meeting' in lines 2 and 3. Mr. Barnett explained that at the present time they could only arrange their meetings one year ahead at Whitsuntide. This would enable more than one meeting ahead to be arranged.

Mr. F. I. Hairs seconded and the amendment was agreed to.

#### THE ATTENDANCE

The hon. secretary presented details of the attendance as follows:

	Present	Absent
26 Associations fully represented	61	—
26 Associations partly represented	61	31
8 Associations not represented	—	10
Life members	4	4
Honorary members	14	5
Total	140	50

There were seven vacancies.

The hon. secretary said the attendance was very similar to that of recent years.



# BROADCASTING PROBLEMS OVER 12 BELL-RINGING

## SLOWER RINGING NECESSARY

### REPORT OF BROADCASTING AND TELEVISION COMMITTEE

THE main function of the committee, common to all regions this year, was the arrangement of the Christmas broadcast of bells. A tower from each region was recommended and accepted by the B.B.C. and the resultant programme was of a very fair standard. It was unfortunate that Lincoln Cathedral was omitted, due to an extension of the News to cover the 'Lakonia' disaster. The B.B.C. did, however, send an apology to those responsible at Lincoln. Mr. Pitstow was able to visit Broadcasting House to hear a run through of the programme, and discuss it with the producer. The main criticism was the speed of ringing at Swindon and Lincoln, in both cases the ringing was much too fast for successful broadcasting and we should impress on all ringers who broadcast or record for this purpose the need for good open ringing so that all the bells can be clearly heard. Although the engineers take every care in the placing of microphones, their efforts are nullified if the ringers fail to play their part toward success.

A pleasing feature of the broadcast this year was the increase in time allowed each tower. Our suggestion that an extra tower be included, from East Anglia, was considered by the producer but it was felt this would complicate matters from a regional point of view and the extra time was divided between the towers.

The change of time of the opening of the Light Programme brought a number of letters regretting the omission of the bells on Sunday mornings and we were able to put a notice in 'The Ringing World' pointing out that the bells had never been omitted but merely put on at an earlier time. In fact (as always) to open the programme. One or two suggestions were made by correspondents regarding this broadcast and the committee are considering them.

### REGIONS REPORTS

**Northern Ireland.**—Relations with the B.B.C. continue to be very good. Various towers were heard on television and sound during the year and the standard continued to be good.

**Radio Eireann.**—St. George's, Dublin, almost had a monopoly on radio. They broadcast three times and on each occasion the time allowed was three to four minutes. However, St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, had a 'fair do' on Christmas Eve when they were given three-and-a-half minutes on the air and a special mention. The bells of Christ Church Cathedral as usual went on the air on New Year's Day. In the programme 'Today' Mr. John Irwin did great credit to the Exercise.

**Scottish Region.**—Discussions have taken place regarding the various rings available for broadcasting in the region and an up-to-date list is being prepared for the B.B.C.

**Northern Region.**—Activities have been confined to the Christmas broadcast arrangements.

**London Region.**—Here our activities have been chiefly confined to work for the Light Programme. It is hoped that an alternative group of recordings will be included in the Sunday morning broadcasts by the time this report is presented. Two successful visits to Broadcasting House have taken place.

During the year the Ancient Society of College Youths made a new recording of Bow Bells at the request of the B.B.C.

**West and Wales.**—Compared with last year 1963 was a very quiet one. Some five rings were heard prior to Sunday services and Rogate, Hants, were broadcast in the General Overseas Service. All except one were given advance notice in 'The Radio Times'. We could wish for a wider use of bells for these broadcasts but so far as the West is concerned a proportion of services broadcast are taken from the Midland Region, in which cases no mention is made in 'The Radio Times' of the inclusion of bells. On television the ringers of Frome Parish Church were briefly seen and heard.

**Midland Region.**—There were two instances where ringers were expected to ring before



MR. H. PITSTOW  
Invited to edit Christmas Day bells.

broadcast and television services without prior notice. The unfairness to the ringers of expecting them to ring without being prepared was pointed out to the B.B.C. organisers, who promised to rectify the omission in future.

**East Anglia.**—Apart from a Sunday service broadcast from Aldeburgh, nothing of interest has occurred.

(Signed) H. J. SANGER (Convener).  
Rockyville, Evercreech.

Shepton Mallet, Somerset.

D. A. BAYLES, J. T. DUNWOODY,

G. E. FEARN, H. N. PITSTOW.

A. G. G. THURLOW, R. S. WILSON.

Mr. H. Sanger moved the adoption of the report and said it recently came to his notice that they did not get as much on bells broadcast because people did not write about it. He asked people to write and reveal their interest. This applied particularly to ringing before Sunday services. Very often he turned on his radio to services from churches where he knew there were good bells and there were no bells. He felt their parsons could help in such matters if they approached them. Bells before the service were part of the service and it was up to local ringers to see that they were included. If not people should write to the B.B.C. who were an understanding authority.

Mr. D. Bayles seconded.

Mr. John Freeman said they would know from the report that the broadcast from Lincoln did not come over the air. He thought there was a tendency to ring too slow when broadcasting. If the microphone was not in the correct position it would give a wrong effect. Many ringers would agree that 12 bell ringing did not lend itself to good broadcasting as 10 bells did. With 12 bells the intervals were smaller and very often the acoustics were not so good. They felt if 12 bells were used they should be rung slowly. They did think a couple of years ago not to recommend 12 bells. Any 12 bell ringing must be slow.

Mr. A. V. Davis (Winchester and Portsmouth Guild) wondered how much of the broadcasting they heard was 'live' ringing. Correspondence had taken place in 'The Ringing World' as to what could happen when a recording was used or misused. Recently in a broadcast from a southern town a recording was used and someone commented

to him: 'I suppose you chaps had a lay-in.' He expected many of them heard the memorial service for President Kennedy and would not forget the magnificent ringing at St. Paul's Cathedral. The bells were not rung too fast but the answer was in the broadcast and not the use of a recording. He suggested they should press for the bells to be rung before a broadcast service, but they should be 'live' and not recorded.

Mr. Walter Ayre spoke as the recorder of some of the broadcast ringing for Christmas which was recorded three weeks previously. The ringing they did was good and he defied anyone to say otherwise, but it was not good when it came off the tape. Something had been done to the tape.

Mr. F. E. Dukes said a disappointing thing about the 8.25 Sunday broadcast was that they did not know whose bells were being rung. Perhaps the committee would make some effort with the B.B.C. to obtain this information.

Mr. Harold Pitstow said as he was the only ringer who heard the recordings of the Christmas broadcast perhaps he might answer one or two of the points raised. He was invited by the B.B.C. to go and hear and edit the recordings—to take out the best section of each record. That did not materialise because some of the records did not get to London in time. London got recordings by taking them over land wires from the Northern Region. When everything was ready they set them going and John Snagg was in the studio and made his remarks from the tape on to a big disc.

Lincoln had been criticised as to the speed of the broadcast. As 12 bell ringing, he agreed that it was not fast, but as it was coming over the amplifiers it was extremely difficult to pick out the little bells when mixed up with the big bells. This might be due to the microphone being fixed badly. It was cut out because of the 'Lakonia' disaster.

Continuing Mr. Pitstow said they were continually pressing the B.B.C. to do this or other, but they were very much in their hands. They got an officer interested in bells and then found he had been pushed elsewhere and they had to start educating another person. They had a very good friend there and he did his best to push bells.

Mr. Cecil Pipe (Suffolk Guild) said he would be extremely sorry if through the advice of Mr. Sanger they were never to hear any 12 bells broadcast.

Mr. John Mayne (Middlesex County Association) said it seemed unreasonable to expect a light 22 cwt. tenor to be rung at the same speed as St. Paul's with a tenor of 62 cwt. The finest piece of ringing he had heard on 12 bells was not from St. Paul's but from St. Martin's, Birmingham.

The Rev. J. G. M. Scott (Guild of Devonshire Ringers) deplored the tendency on the part of the B.B.C. to use records for the bells before services. Some years ago they broadcast from Gidleigh where his father was rector. It was a ring of five and the bells ceased three-quarters of a minute before the start of the broadcast. The noise of people going to church and their conversations were heard. His father received hundreds of letters of appreciation. In regard to 12 bell ringing those in the West Country would enjoy St. Paul's or Birmingham better if they rang call changes!

Canon K. W. H. Felstead said he was very surprised to see from the report that nothing of interest had occurred in East Anglia.

Mr. G. Dodds (Hertford County Association) Am I right in thinking that the reason for so many records was due to the poor standard of ringing of 'live' broadcasts?

Mr. Denis Bayles (Durham and Newcastle): The chief reason recordings are made on Christmas Day is that a minimum number of technical people should be employed that day.

Mr. Norman Chaddock (Sheffield and District Society): May I appeal at towers where bells are recorded to ring their bells at the same time?

The report was adopted.



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## TOWERS AND BELFRIES COMMITTEE'S BUSY YEAR

During 1963 the work of the Towers and Belfries Committee increased considerably. Advice on bell and tower restoration was given in 85 churches, an increase of 17 over 1962, and four more than the previous outstanding peak year, 1961. It appears that the second cycle of bell restoration work, mentioned in our last year's report, has commenced.

The 85 churches in which advice was sought in 1963 may be analysed geographically thus: Berkshire 6, Breconshire 1, Buckinghamshire 3, Caernarvonshire 1, Cambridgeshire 1, Cheshire 1, Cornwall 2, Devonshire 11, Gloucestershire 2, Herefordshire 2, Kent 1, Lincolnshire 1, Leicestershire 1, Merionethshire 1, Northamptonshire 10, Northumberland 1, Nottinghamshire 2, Oxfordshire 5, Rutland 2, Somerset 20, Shropshire 1, Surrey 2, Sussex 1, Yorkshire 2, Australia 2, United States of America 3. Total 85.

The locations of the towers seeking advice varied considerably from those of the previous year. Of the total of 85 reports, 16 were dealt with by correspondence; the remainder were visited by members of the committee. In addition, the convener has given 14 lectures to diocesan, architectural and professional organisations, and Mr. Threlfall has done considerable research in bellhanging and clapping.

In contrast to last year, when no advice was given on augmentation, ten parishes sought advice on this during 1963. The number of towers seeking advice on recasting increased this year to nine. Forty-three churches sought advice on rehanging, or were advised by members of our committee to rehang their bells completely. Last year the number seeking advice on repair and maintenance reached a peak figure of 37; this year the number has increased to 45, a welcome indication that more parochial authorities are concerning themselves with this important work. The number of towers where extensive damage has been done to masonry or where there are structural defects in them increased to 18. Advice on sound control and modification was given in 21 churches. Somerset again headed the list of inquiries, with Devonshire second; an indication that the West Country is doing excellent work in maintaining and improving its bells and gear.

### PROCEDURE OVER BELL RESTORATION

The Truro Diocesan Guild's motion on the best method of approach to diocesan chancellors in regard to advice on bell restoration was the subject of much correspondence between members of the committee, and the convener wishes to thank Mr. Threlfall for attending to the majority of this while he was absent in America. The committee was almost unanimous in its decision that it would be unwise to contact diocesan chancellors in this matter, and recommends that the best way of ensuring advice on bell restoration is given by competent persons is to urge all Associations and Guilds to bring the matter to the notice of their members. The committee wishes to emphasise that chancellors usually seek the advice of Diocesan Advisory Committees, and that these committees have close liaison with the Council for the Care of Churches in the same way that Ringing Guilds are associated with our Central Council. Also, that through its Towers and Belfries Committee, our Central Council and Council for the Care of Churches have had joint meetings in recent years and that the two Councils agreed a common policy in regard to bell restoration.

A summary of the decisions of the two Councils is printed in our Council's handbook, and has been circulated to all Diocesan Advisory Committees.

Last year our committee had occasion to draw attention to one instance in which bells and gear had been dismantled without either the Chancellor of the Diocese, the Archdeacon or an architect being consulted, and without a faculty application being made. Members are urged to emphasise the necessity of obtaining a faculty for bell restoration work; or, alternatively, an Archdeacon's certificate if the work is of a minor character. This year a difficulty of another nature arose when the repairs to the masonry of a tower were not mentioned in a faculty application. We wish to stress the point made last year that when restoration work is necessary to both towers and bells it is of vital importance that the two should be done together.

### A COMPREHENSIVE BOOK

Our committee met early this year to discuss the question of revising the handbook on bell restoration and of producing a more comprehensive book. Before we can proceed in detail we wish to learn how much money is available for printing this work so that we may plan accordingly. A sum of approximately £500 is needed to produce 2,000 copies of the book we have in mind and we seek the authority of the Council in this matter.

As in previous years this report is compiled from statistics sent to the convener by individual members.

We cannot conclude our report without acknowledging our sincere appreciation of and gratitude for the tremendous amount of work done for this committee for so many years by the late Edwin H. Lewis, and to pay tribute to his life and work. His knowledge of bellhanging and the problems of tower oscillation were outstanding. He was a leading authority in all matters concerning bell restoration and freely placed his knowledge at the disposal of all. We regret the passing of so great a man and feel keenly the loss of such a wonderful colleague.

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### THE DISCUSSION

Mr. Frederick Sharpe, in moving the adoption of the report, pointed out that it was compiled from statistics sent in from individual members of the committee. In regard to future policy, last year they were charged with the desirability of producing a more comprehensive book on the preservation of church bells. It was felt that it should be something that should be on every architect's bookshelf. They had gone into the matter and they would like authority to plan ahead and print 2,000 copies that would cost not more than £500. They sought the authority of the Council.

The Rev. J. G. M. Scott seconded.

The hon. secretary said the Standing Committee recommended that authority be given to the committee to expend up to £500 as mentioned in the report.

Mr. P. A. Corby congratulated the Towers and Belfries Committee on their report and on the splendid work they were doing. In his

area, instead of a church having a 'bodged-up' six it was an augmentation into eight as the result of the report of a member of the committee. The local people had been very grateful for the help given and they had adopted every word of it. He would like to express appreciation of the article in 'The Ringing World' of August 16th as the result of Mr. Brian Austin's communications with the R.I.B.A. He had done some valuable work there which he hoped would be of benefit.

Mr. Brian Warwick asked the name of the church in Leicestershire that had received assistance. He was a member of the Diocesan Advisory Committee and he had not heard of any church needing assistance.

Mr. Sharpe said he believed it was a tower which sought assistance on sound control. He had not the details with him but would write.

Mr. Harold Rogers wondered in regard to the new book the committee were producing if they had not been too conservative in price. He would like to see it a worthwhile production with many illustrations. One aspect he would like to see in the book was sound control inside and outside the tower. For that purpose there should be an illustration of a sound lantern for towers. They had seen some good examples. There was an excellent one at Carbis Bay as well as at Isleworth. In both these towers one could stand underneath when the bells were ringing and carry on a normal conversation.

In reply, Mr. Sharpe said they had allowed £300 for printing, £100 for binding and £100 on illustrations—in brief round figures.

Dr. D. N. Layton (University of London) said he would like to emphasise the word 'control.' They did not want to annoy their neighbours during practices but on Sunday they wanted the maximum amount of noise. He hoped that arrangements would be made for the draft of the book to be seen.

Mr. Sharpe: That is what we had in mind. Obviously we cannot circulate it among all members. The committee will meet and decide who will write the different sections. On the question of sound control some 30 years ago he brought out a device of a clapper board with a small bell attached. The small bell rang as the rope was pulled and the tink could be heard 50 yards away. They had police permission to use it during the war.

Mr. Geoffrey Dodds (Herts County Association) asked if there had been any response to Mr. Austin's article respecting bells in new churches.

Mr. Sharpe: Yes. Mr. Austin's article has been published by several diocesan magazines. Others have accepted it and considered printing it. The response was very good indeed.

The report was then adopted.

### STANDING COMMITTEE

The hon. secretary said that the Standing Committee at its meeting considered the agenda in detail and made a number of recommendations. Mr. Douglas Hughes was co-opted under rule 12 (2) which would enable the trustees of the Carter machine to be represented. He moved the adoption of the report and Mr. F. I. Hairs seconded. The report was adopted.

The corporate communion in the Cathedral on Tuesday morning was largely attended. The president (Canon Gilbert Thurlow) was the celebrant, assisted by the Dean (the Very Rev. H. M. Lloyd), the Cathedral treasurer (Canon J. A. Simcock) and the general secretary of Truro Guild (the Rev. A. J. Vincent), who is Vicar of Kenyan. The Bishop (Dr. J. M. Key) was also present.

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# RINGING COURSES STEADILY INCREASING

## VARIED WORK OF SUNDAY SERVICE RINGING AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

### 1.—COURSES

With the increased interest in the residential and the one-day course, it has been thought opportune to append to this report a summary of the courses already held. Though the attached summary gives much useful information and will be useful to the organisers of future courses, there may be omissions and we extend our apologies if such is the case.

Apart from courses partly or wholly organised by members of this Committee, advice has been given to several other Guilds who have undertaken week-end or one-day courses. Inquiries of this kind are welcomed. The one-day course has much to commend it, being within the resources of most ringing associations and involving neither student nor organisers in any great expense.

### 2.—THEOLOGICAL COLLEGES

A comprehensive survey of contacts established so far was made last year (covering approximately half the Colleges). This year efforts have been made to establish contacts in Colleges where hitherto little progress had been possible.

New contacts attempted or made during 1963 were:

**Lincoln.**—A lecture and demonstrations were given in September by some Lincoln Cathedral ringers followed by visits to the tower. Mr. John Freeman, who made the arrangements, hopes to make this an annual event.

**Llandaff.**—Mr. M. J. Pryor gave a talk to students in October, 1963, followed by a tower visit and the loan of handbells to the College. He is arranging for a repeat every other year.

**Southwark.**—(Business man's ordination course).—Mr. W. G. Wilson gave a talk in June and was well received. Bound books accepted with gratitude.

**St. Aidan's, Birkenhead.**—Mr. J. W. Clarke, who gave a talk two years ago, has further arrangements in hand.

**Wells.**—Has been sent a set of bound books and Mr. G. Salmon hopes for a lecture soon.

**Worcester.**—Lecture and demonstrations given by Mr. David Beacham in November were much appreciated and he hopes to arrange further lectures.

**Ely.**—In the hands of Mr. J. W. Pickett, who has made contact with the Principal with a view to a lecture early in 1964.

**Westcott House, Cambridge.**—In the hands of Mr. Brian Threlfall, who is still negotiating for a lecture.

**London College of Divinity.**—In the hands of Mr. W. G. Wilson.

**Oak Hill.**—Mr. T. J. Lock reports that students had little time for organised consideration on campanology and was, therefore, leaving it whilst these circumstances obtained.

**Edinburgh.**—Mr. R. S. Wilson reports that there had been important staff changes at the College and that he was waiting until things settled down. One student was receiving instruction in ringing.

**Ripon Hall, Wycliffe Hall, Cuddesdon, Oxford.**—In the hands of Miss R. Cross.

**Mirfield.**—In the hands of Mr. W. F. Moreton.

Experience has shown that direct approach to the Principal by some person who can indicate activity in church work in addition to ringing brings results. An annual lecture is the first aim. Principals tend to prefer their students not to take on time-consuming activities additional to their course.

Twelve sets of bound C.C. books have been presented to various college libraries to date and another twelve books obtained through Mr. Viggers for future use.



**MR. NORMAN CHADDOCK.**  
Committee Chairman, who was principal instructor during Washington visit.

### 3.—MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES

**Recruiting Leaflet.**—In conjunction with Mr. E. A. Barnett, the Rev. G. Thurlow and the Editor of 'The Ringing World,' 1,000 copies of an illustrated recruiting leaflet suitable for posting on church notice boards have been printed and are available through the librarian.

**Filmstrips.**—There is a demand for instructional filmstrips and the ground is being prepared for the production of a general interest film strip, possibly with a section or a second strip devoted to change ringing. These could be useful for recruiting and elementary instruction.

**Belfry Prayers.**—Requests for copies of these continue to be received and duplicated copies are almost exhausted. It is now suggested that the Council print a selection of these in suitable form and distribute them through the librarian.

**Bell Ringing in Schools.**—The Convener has had correspondence with, and a visit from, Mr. Michael King, who, as part of his course at St. John's College, York, is doing a thesis on 'Bell Ringing in Schools To-day.' It is hoped that a copy of his thesis will eventually be published in 'The Ringing World' or made available to the Council.

Teachers already make a large contribution to ringing activity and much recruitment is done in schools. The time may soon be appropriate for more organised links between Training Colleges and existing ringing organisations and the Council.

**Talks and Lectures.**—In addition to several talks given by other members of the committee, Mr. Sharpe gave 23 lectures on bells in various parts of the country. He also made a fortnight's lecture tour in America, where he was very well received. His efforts there are likely to prove very rewarding.

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### SUMMARY OF RESIDENTIAL COURSES

A course was held in Essex in 1953, and there was a gap until 1959, since when there has been a steadily rising number of courses, viz.: Somerset, Gloucester, Oxford, Buckinghamshire, Hereford and Suffolk (one each), Peterborough Guild (three), Yorkshire (Grantley Hall) (four). The Oxford Guild, the Durham and Newcastle Guild and the Derby Guild have also run one-day courses. Courses are planned in the near future at Hereford, Grantley Hall (near Ripon) and in Surrey.

Some courses have been elementary, some advanced, some specialised, some general. Some have provided alternative lectures, e.g., those at Grantley Hall provide parallel elementary and advanced courses with choice of two lectures throughout the course. There has also been a spare tutor to give individual or group instruction where appropriate.

Most courses have had practical demonstrations or sessions in nearby towers. Good use has been made of aids such as handbells, tape recorder, slides, film strips, illustrations, charts and diagrams. Central Council publications have often been on sale and use has been made of the Central Council Library. Lecture periods have varied from three-quarters of an hour to one and a half hours including activity and discussion.

Topics covered have been diverse, including: Towers, bells, history, casting and tuning, how rung and maintenance; initial instruction, bell control, elementary change-ringing, methods of teaching; rhythm and striking; change-ringing on handbells, tune ringing; method study, method structure, composition and proof; conducting; spliced ringing; place notation; service ringing; tower organisation; The Guild.

Over 30 different lecturers have shared in the lectures and though certain ones figure prominently, it has been the policy, where members of this Committee have been concerned, to introduce new lecturers and so extend interest in this phase of ringing.

Fees have varied from a few shillings for a day course to about £3 for tuition and board over a full week-end. Some courses have had both day and resident students. Full details of all courses to date, including lecturers and topics, are available on application to the Convener of this Committee.

### GIFT TO WASHINGTON

Mr. Norman Chaddock, in moving the adoption of the report, mentioned that a gift of books had been made to Washington. He was very pleased to hear that of the recruiting leaflet 700 had been sold. The report contained a reference to belfry prayers and a decision was made that a card be printed and made available through the librarian.

In regard to training at Washington, a good deal of thought was given to it before they went.

Mr. F. Lufkin, in seconding, said in regard to theological colleges it was to the local people they looked to carry on the work.

Mr. Philip Gray suggested that the list of courses published in the report was incomplete. They had had two in Gloucester and one in Bristol which were not mentioned.

Mr. Chaddock said these were included in the details of courses already held. This report was available for those interested.

Mr. D. Bayles said the people who visited Worcester College should know that in his parish they had a new curate who acquired some initial instruction in ringing. Since he had been with them he had taken up ringing and was progressing very well.

The report was adopted.

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# WIDESPREAD INTEREST IN BELLS AND RINGING

## LITERATURE AND PRESS COMMITTEE REPORT

The usual ringing publications have come to our notice again this year: 'Overtones' is published by the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers. This delightful journal appears quarterly and contains photographs of handbell choirs, music for handbell ringers and news of various handbell functions in America. The principal event covered was the eighth National Convention of the A.G.E.H.R. at Detroit in June, at which Mr. Frederick Sharpe was the guest of honour.

The publication of the Irish Association 'The Irish Bell News' completed its fourth volume with a record circulation. Its circulation extends to the four corners of the earth and is predominantly an Irish ringing paper which finds an interest outside the Emerald Isle.

The much improved 'Ringing Towers,' the journal of the Australian and New Zealand Association, continues to thrive. It now regularly includes a Conductor's Corner, as well as 'Quarter's Ringing,' 'Belfry Gossip,' and 'Other Tower Items.'

A new publication, 'The Belfry News,' appeared and it is the journal of the Derbyshire ringers. It comes out monthly and is the first publication to appear in foolscap form. Although dealing mainly with news of Derbyshire interest, it contains also material which is suitable for a wider field, such as hints on the care of bells, change ringing and other technical matters.

The quarterly magazine of the Maidstone District of the Kent County Association, 'The Belfry,' has been erratic in its circulation and we trust this is of a temporary nature. It has become more technical than previously when it consisted mainly of news items about various towers.

Ranald Clouston's Part II of the 'Church Bells of Aberdeenshire' made its appearance during the year. This is very valuable and takes its rightful place amongst the works of the other bell historians who have given of their time to record much factual information on the bells of our churches.

Trade journals this year contained very few references to our art; only three came to our notice. The I.C.T. House Magazine published two articles, the first was by W. D. N. Foote, of the Computer Division, Putney, called 'Campanologists Pull Together' which deals with an outing by the ringing employees of I.C.T. The second article was by Jean Sanderson, former librarian, I.C.T. Engineering Division, Stevenage, called 'Ring out ye Bells' which is technical and instructive. 'Bells That Never Ring,' by A. G. Matthews, was an article in the Foundry Trade Journal. It dealt with casualties to bells of historical interest, such as the Great Bells of Russia, our own Big Ben, and the Liberty Bell.

Fictional periodicals seemed to have nothing to say about bells, except 'Today' which published a very amusing and yet to-the-point story entitled 'The Belles of St. Jude's.' This story enlarged upon the effect of an unsuitably dressed lady ringer and how the younger male ringers reacted.

### NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

The newspapers continue to provide a spate of references and articles dealing with the art, some amusing and others serious. The 'Yorkshire Post' in its column 'This World of Ours' presented a humorous experience of a traveller in a train nearly being driven 'batty' by four bell ringers practising change ringing with their clenched fists and thumbs up. The new 53 bell carillon for Washington Cathedral was covered by the 'Leicester Mercury' and both the carillon and the ring of bells received mention in the various Irish and American papers. We are surprised that so little has come to hand about these bells.

Lancastrian, in the 'Lancashire Evening Telegraph,' devoted his column on October 21st to campanologists meeting in Accrington for a competition which really turned out to be an informative interview with Roger Leigh, head ringer at Accrington. The (Accrington) 'Observer' also mentioned the competition

and its interview with Mr. Leigh and published a photograph of Cyril Crossthwaite demonstrating the bell-ringing machine. This machine was invented by Mr. Woodhouse, of Sedburgh, who constructed the prototype. The recast and augmented ring of bells at Laphroth received mention in 'The News' (Solihull).

Whilst there was nothing spectacular about these reports, we find that they are more accurate than has generally been the case over the years.

The work of Mr. A. York-Bramble received mention in the 'Portsmouth Evening News' on no less than three occasions, the first of which was a description by a beginner of his initiation to ringing in an article called 'The Bell Had a Hollow Ring of Terror,' whilst the second mentions Mr. York-Bramble's talk to the Portsmouth Rotary Club.

The Press seems to have taken the view that we have cried 'Wolf, Wolf' too many times, for very little coverage was given to the extent of Plain Bob Major rung at Loughborough. The 'Guardian Journal' of Nottingham alone seems to have given a straightforward account of the event.

On the lighter side, the 'Yorkshire Post' presented a rather delightful article called 'Simon Said "Thumbs Up"', and on the serious side a complaint was raised in the 'East Anglian News' about ringing at St. Nicholas', Harwich. The Vicar, in reply, attributed the noise to learners. It behoves us all to consider our neighbours and where an annoyance from ringing is likely to occur, to see that the clappers are clipped or muffled.

Personalities continue to receive notice in the papers. Mr. Bradley, of the Folkingham band, looked back on 50 years of ringing in the 'Sleaford Standard.'

### UNIVERSITY EXPERIMENTS

A more serious note was struck in the 'Cambridge News,' which gave an account of experiments being carried out in the Engineering Department of Cambridge University. The experiments with a 98 lb. bell control the movement of the clapper against the side of the bell and it is hoped that the results will enable the design of the bell, its clapper and suspension to be rationalised. 'If the tests are successful, the mechanics of the bell's motion,' the 'News' says, 'which up to now are sketchy—will become clear and the awkwardness of ringing bells will disappear.'

Our attention was drawn to a good illustrated article on the Ringing Society in Shebbear College, Beaworthy, North Devon, which appeared in the 'Times' Education Supplement in December, 1962. As we did not see this article we are unable to comment on it but merely record its appearance. Still on the Educational side, Miss Brigid Gray, who is not a ringer, wrote a very intelligent article called 'Campanology or the Art of Bell Ringing' in the 'Drogheda,' which is the magazine of Drogheda Grammar School. Although Brigid is not a ringer, she was able to pump her eight fellow boarders in the school (who regularly ring for services at St. Peter's, Drogheda) for information about ringing. It seems that they are good learners at that school!

The Irish papers were more attentive than previously about bell matters. The (Dublin) 'Evening Herald' published an historical article by Tom Tobin called 'The Bells of St. Mary's Are Hidden For Ever.' The note centres around one of the legends about the bells of St. Mary's Cathedral, Limerick. The bells of Buckfast Abbey were featured in the 'Cork Examiner' London Letter column, which was written on the occasion of the golden jubilee of these bells. A sub-leader in the 'Irish Times' headed 'Wild Bells' was relative to the pealing at odd hours of the bell at the Church of Pellegrino, Italy. The writer went on to praise bells and concludes: 'Their spontaneous outbursts might be a good corrective to the booming utterances and tinkling sententiousness of politicians in East and West alike.' Altogether, it was a most heartening discourse. About half a page was devoted to the tower

and clock chime of bells in Cannock's Store, Limerick, in the 'Irish Independent.'

'Will You Learn the Ropes?' was the title of a column in the 'Evening Press.' It made special reference to Billy Lynch's 61 years of ringing in Ireland.

Further ahead, 'The Victoria Daily Times' had an interesting article on Christ Church Cathedral, B.C., and its bells. Special mention was made of the Izard family's interest in and work for ringing in that far-away post.

### PARISH MAGAZINES

Parish magazines seem to contain the usual amount of interesting references to bells and bell ringing. 'Home Words,' the inset which accompanies many parish monthlies, frequently has letters about the bells of this and that parish church, which make interesting reading. Occasionally one finds a note on the art in other sections, such as the 'Young People's Page,' which wrote about 'Looking at Towers and Spires.' The cover of the 'Yarmouth Parish Life' was a photograph of the bell-ringers ringing the bells of St. Nicholas' Church. The same issue devoted a section to the visit of the Central Council to Great Yarmouth at Whitsuntide. Lambourn bells were featured in 'The Country Churchman' and the front cover showed one of Lambourn's bells in the 'set' position. In the pit beside the set bell and holding on to a wheel stay was a man who does not appear to be on the young side. We wonder if it is wise for ringers to allow themselves to be photographed under such dangerous conditions: we draw attention to this point and recommend that all ringing societies should deprecate any encouragement by photographers to ringers to be photographed under hazardous circumstances. In 'Parson and Parish' Mr. Edgar Shephard wrote an article on 'Belfry Praise,' which was given three pages. The article dealt with the brief history of ringing up to the formation of the Central Council and its work. It was intended as an informative article for clergy.

The parish magazine of All Saints', Belfast, published a useful paragraph by Mr. B. Austin, who deplored the lack of provision of towers in new churches. The bells of Christ Church, Bray, were referred to in a leading article in the 'Church of Ireland Gazette' on the occasion of the centenary of the church. Trowbridge parish magazine, 'The Bridge,' devoted one and a half pages to Mr. Gilbert Hardinge and the bells. Apparently the 'Wiltshire Times' made mention of Mr. Hardinge, who took part in a special meal to mark the 80th anniversary of the Salisbury Guild. He had been a ringer for 55 years. An interesting reference in the article is to the only Salvation Army bell in a church tower in the country. The second bell at Trowbridge was provided by the local Salvation Army group. The new tower and recast bells of Carrickfergus were featured in the St. Nicholas' magazine.

We seem to be getting only a small quantity of all the bell information which is published and we should be glad to receive copies of all references to bells, bellringers and ringing which appear in the various publications throughout the world.

We are not unmindful of the material sent to us, and to our suppliers we say 'Thank you.'

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Mr. E. C. Shepherd moved the report be adopted and Mr. F. E. Dukes seconded.

The President called attention to the statement published in the Press concerning the Rector of Loughton, Essex, who called attention to the new housing estate being built near his church and those responsible for the design to make the houses soundproof. The church had been there before the houses and he would not silence the bells. He also asked for trees to be retained as they deadened sound. In the 'Times' appeared a charming photograph of the ten men ringing at Washington.



## 2.962 PEALS RUNG IN 1963

### Peals Analysis Committee's Report

THE peal totals for 1963 show a large increase over those for 1962, with an outburst of both tower and handbell peals. The grand total including the belated two peals from 1962, is 2,962; with 2,720 on tower bells and 242 'in hand.' The handbell peals are up by 60, mainly from the Gloucester and Bristol, Hertford C., Leicester G. and the Middlesex C.

The controversial peal at Penn is not included, neither is one rung at Gorseinon, for the Swansea and Brecon G. rung with two leading bells—a great pity, for there were five first pealers in it.

The peal rung at Oakham—Rutland Surprise Major—to proclaim Rutland's independence—was originally credited by W. A. to the Leicester G., but for political reasons it is now included in the Unattached List.

For the first time for years the Leicester G. do not top the table, for the Lancashire A. is the leader this year with 218 peals.

The table shows the first eight positions:

	Tower	Hand	Total
Lancashire A.	216	2	218
Leicester D.G.	142	56	196
Oxford D.G.	171	4	175
Yorkshire A.	157	6	163
Kent C.	145	2	147
Lincoln G.	123	3	126
Chester G.	109	13	122
Glouc & Bristol	90	27	117

These eight rang 42.8 per cent. of the total peals.

The Analysis breaks down as follows:

	Tower Bells		Handbells	
	1963	1962	1963	1962
Maximus	54	55	1	2
Cinques	35	37	2	5
Royal.	170	158	12	18
Caters	84	79	5	6
Major	1,180	1,097	83	91
Triples	193	205	12	1
Minor	739	747	8	104
Doubles	256	264	8	17
Minimus	9	1	8	37
	2,720	2,643	77	241
				181
				60

### OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCES

Ancient Society of College Youths.—Silent and non-conducted peal of Stedman Cinques. Australia and New Zealand A.—Adelaide Cathedral, first peal on bells and three 'firsts.' Melbourne: Cambridge Major (first of Surprise outside British Isles), four 'firsts' of Surprise.

Chester G.—11,552 Superlative; 11,520 Rutland; 13,320 Plain Bob Royal (HB); 21,600 Spliced T.B. Minor in 60 methods.

East Grinstead and District.—Grandsire Triples—four 'firsts' and first as conductor.

Gloucester and Bristol.—143, 122, 111, 105, 100 Minor methods on tower bells; 52, 50, 48, etc., Minor methods on handbells. A 15-year-old girl's first peal in six Minor methods.

Hereford D.—54 and 45 methods of Doubles.

Hertford C.—30 and 16 Spl. S. Major; 10, 8 and 5 Spliced Surprise on handbells; with other Surprise Major 'in hand.'

Lancashire A.—18 Spliced Surprise Maximus; 12 and 6 Surprise Royal.

Leicester D.—New Durham Maximus 'in hand.' Two Spliced S. Royal 'in hand.' with three other Surprise Royal 'in hand'; nine other peals in Surprise methods 'in hand'; 10,440 Cambridge Royal 'in hand'; last of all, though it should have been the very first, the great achievement of the extent of Plain Bob Major, to whom everyone would wish to offer their congratulations and desire us to record the same in our report.

Middlesex C.—12 and 9 methods Spliced Surprise Major on tower bells; 9, 8, 6, 5 and 4 methods Spliced Surprise Major 'in hand'; Cambridge Royal where one person rang 1/2 on tower bells.

Southwell D.—Nuthall.—Cambridge Minor (all first pealers).

Sussex C.—Lower Beeding.—One method of Doubles (all first pealers at first attempt).

University of London.—15,840 Miner in one method—on handbells.; 10,560 Pudsey S. Major.

Worcester and Dists.—Four 'firsts' and first as conductor of Doubles in three methods.

Yorkshire A.—Spliced Surprise Royal in 18, 14, 12 and 5 methods.

It would be of interest if the conductors of peals using St. Nicholas and Southrepps in peals of Minor could give some indication of what these really are.

We often wonder what was really rung, e.g., one peal in two Minor methods showed five extents. Do we rule this out or does the conductor think we are thought readers?

Again we ask those who send up the peals for publication to be accurate in their accounts!! (Vide page 100, 'Ringing World,' February 7th, 1964.)

Methods in which ten or more peals were rung are as follows:

Maximus.—Cambridge 28, Yorkshire 11.  
Cinques.—Stedman 30.  
Royal.—Cambridge 49, Yorkshire 34, London 15, Plain Bob 38.

Caters.—Grandsire 46, Stedman 43.

Major.—Spliced Surprise 8 16, Spliced Surprise 6 12, Spliced Surprise 4 19, Aldenham 10, Bristol 54, Cambridge 108, Lincolnshire 55, London 105, Pudsey 19, Rutland 44, Superlative 35, Yorkshire 137, Kent T.B. 25, Oxford T.B. 10, Double Norwich 52, Plain Bob 245.

Triples.—Grandsire 96, Stedman 68, Plain Bob 28.

Minor.—Over 21 methods 34, 14—20 methods 21, 8—13 methods 59, seven methods 170, six methods 15, five methods 34, four methods 49, three methods 56, two methods 39, one method 368.

Doubles.—Fourteen methods 49, 8—13 methods 31, seven methods 18, four methods 12, three methods 19, two methods 15, one method 115.

(Signed)

W. AYRE (Convener).

The Old School House, Leverstock Green, Hemel Hempstead, Herts.

K. W. H. FELSTEAD.

H. L. ROPER.

### MR. R. B. SMITH HONOURED

Mr. W. Ayre, in moving the adoption of the report, said they had with them the conductor of the 40,000 peal of Major. It would be nice if he would stand up.

Mr. R. B. Smith stood up and received the warm applause of the assembly.

Mr. Ayre called attention to another member of that band also present. Mr. John Jelly stood up and was accorded a round of applause.

Continuing, Mr. Ayre said no words of his could express what they felt about that peal. 'We all know what it would be like, We congratulate them.'

Canon Felstead seconded.

The report was adopted.

### PRESENTATION TO MR. SHARPE

When the Council resumed after the lunch interval, the president made an interesting presentation. For many years, he said, the Council, and indeed the Exercise, had in a variety of ways had helpful assistance and advice of particular value from Frederick Sharpe. He had been their president for six years and it was felt that his termination of office should not go unmarked. On behalf of his friends he presented Mr. Sharpe with a signature book.

Mr. Sharpe: It is very nice of you to think of me and I hope many of you will come along and put your names in it.

### PEALS COLLECTION REPORT

The compilation of the second book of compositions in the popular Major methods is progressing, though much more slowly than anticipated. Very few contributions have been submitted and we would appreciate further examples of worthwhile material.

(Signed)

W. CRITCHLEY (Convener),

38, Castle Hills Road, Scawthorpe, Doncaster, Yorks.

G. E. FEIRN.

A. J. PITMAN.

R. F. B. SPEED.

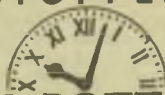
The adoption was moved by Mr. Critchley and seconded by Mr. Feirn. and carried.

### VOTES OF THANKS

Mr. R. S. Anderson moved a vote of thanks to the president for presiding (applause).

The president proposed a comprehensive vote of thanks to all who had contributed to the success of the meeting. They were, he said, extremely grateful to the Truro Guild for the tremendous amount of work they had done, particularly Alan Carveth (president), D. Burnett (Ringing Master) and the Rev. A. J. Vincent (secretary), the incumbents for the use of the bells, and steeplekeepers and all concerned in any way with the maintenance of bells and also all those who gave them such a warm welcome, including those on the way to Truro. They were also grateful to the Mayor and Mayoress for coming along to welcome them. They were very grateful to the Bishop of Truro for his welcome and to the Dean for the lovely service in the Cathedral and the use of the Cathedral bells. Lastly the president thanked the Truro Diocesan Guild for the reception that was to follow.

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# MANY NEW METHODS

## Reports the Records Committee

### TOWER BELLS

January  
7 5,088 Kessingland S.Maj., Lincoln D.G.  
17 5,024 Hackney S.Maj., Middlesex C.A.  
19 5,040 Rickmansworth Bob Roy.  
21 5,088 Inverness-shire S.Maj., Lincoln D.G.  
26 5,120 Goole S.Maj., Yorkshire A.  
28 5,280 New Durham S.Maj., Leicester D.G.  
30 5,088 Leigh Bob Maj., Lancashire A.

February  
2 5,024 Ploughley S.Maj., Oxford D.G.  
11 5,088 Quadring S.Maj., Lincoln D.G.  
14 5,088 Mottram S.Maj., Middlesex C.A.  
18 5,024 Folkestone S.Maj., Lincoln D.G.  
23 5,088 Putney S.Maj., Surrey A.  
23 5,024 Steyning S.Maj., Sussex C.A.  
28 5,024 Aldersgate S.Maj., Middlesex C.A.

March  
16 5,040 Whitby S. Roy., Yorkshire A.  
19 5,056 Dover S.Maj., Sussex C.A.

April  
18 5,024 Penzance S.Maj., Middlesex C.A.  
19 5,056 Havant S.Maj., Glos and Bristol D.G.  
22 5,024 Edenham S.Maj., Lincoln D.G.  
25 5,056 Christchurch S.Maj., Winchester and Portsmouth D.G.  
29 5,088 Bishopsgate S.Maj., University of London S.

May  
5 5,056 Stand S.Maj., Lancashire A.  
11 5,024 New Durham S.Maj., Leics D.G.  
11 5,024 Quinbury S.Maj., Hertford C.A.  
13 5,152 Frome S.Maj., Lincoln D.G.  
15 5,088 Vermont S.Maj., Middlesex C.A.  
25 5,040 Christchurch S.Roy., Winchester and Portsmouth D.G.  
30 5,184 Gunnersbury S.Maj., Middx C.A.

June  
6 5,056 Johannesburg S.Maj., Oxford D.G.  
8 5,088 Montgomery S.Maj., Hertford C.A.  
9 5,152 Trinity Sunday Ex. Maj., Lincs A.  
20 5,120 Queensway S.Maj., Middx C.A.  
29 5,056 Dartford S.Maj., Hertford C.A.

July  
1 5,088 Vancouver S.Maj., Glos and Bristol D.G.  
10 5,088 Fairfield S.Maj., Derby D.A.  
11 5,024 Heston S.Maj., Middlesex C.A.  
12 5,088 Zurick S.Maj., Midland C.G.  
24 5,024 Metheringham S.Maj., Lincs D.G.  
26 5,088 Amsterdam S.Maj., Midland C.G.

August  
1 5,024 Frodsham S.Maj., Middlesex C.A.  
15 5,040 Elmham Imperial Bob Triples, Norwich D.A.  
17 5,088 Melford S.Maj., Hertford C.A.  
19 5,120 Birstall S.Maj., Yorkshire A.  
24 5,024 Stoke S.Maj., Coventry D.G.  
24 5,040 Heptonstall Little S.Maj., Yorks A.  
26 5,120 Moira S.Maj., Leicester D.G.  
29 5,088 Preston S.Maj., Middlesex C.A.

September  
7 5,056 Langston S.Maj., Oxford D.G.  
16 5,152 Ob S.Maj., Leicester D.G.  
18 5,088 Blackburn S.Maj., Lancashire A.  
19 5,184 Datchet S.Maj., Middlesex C.A.  
28 5,088 Pickering S.Maj., Lancashire A.  
29 5,088 Windsor Treble Bob Maj., Oxford D.G.  
30 5,152 Packington S.Maj., Leicester D.G.

October  
3 5,088 Brentwood S.Maj., Middlesex C.A.  
17 5,024 Cleveland S.Maj., Middlesex C.A.  
21 5,056 Trafalgar S.Maj., Lincoln D.G.  
26 5,058 Islay S.Maj., Norwich D.G.  
28 5,040 Upton S.Roy., Leicester D.G.  
29 5,024 Pulborough S.Maj., Sussex C.A.  
31 5,056 Viewswley S.Maj., Middlesex C.A.

November  
14 5,056 Sunbury S.Maj., Middlesex C.A.  
16 5,152 Belper S.Maj., Derby D.A.  
23 5,120 Burslem D.Maj., Southwell D.G.

December  
12 5,024 Hardham S.Maj., Middlesex C.A.  
14 5,000 Bedminster S.Roy., S. Royal Cumberland Youths  
16 5,088 Wittering S.Maj., Lincoln D.G.  
21 5,088 Cumberland S.Maj., S. Royal Cumberland Youths.

26 5,088 Kettlethorpe S.Maj., Lincoln D.G.  
31 5,024 Llanfihangel-Rhydeithon S.Maj., Leicester D.G.

### PROGRESSIVE LENGTHS

July 6 10,560 Pudsey S.Maj., Univ. of London S.  
July 27/28 40,320 Plain Bob Maj., Leics D.G.  
Sept. 14 11,520 Rutland S.Maj., Chester D.G.

### HANDBELLS

Jan. 6 5,280 New Durham S.Maj., Leics D.G.  
Feb. 3 5,040 New Cambridge S.Roy., Leics D.G.  
Feb. 5 5,152 New Durham S.Maj., Leics D.G.  
May 5 5,040 Lindsey S.Roy., Leicester D.G.  
May 5 5,056 Pudsey S.Maj., Hertford C.A.  
June 18 5,120 Gloucester S.Maj., Hertford C.A.  
Aug. 6 5,120 Ealing S.Maj., Hertford C.A.  
Sep. 11 5,056 Tring S.Maj., Hertford C.A.  
Sep. 24 5,024 Spliced Five S.Maj., (all the work), Hertford C.A.  
Oct. 8 5,152 Lincolnshire S.Maj., Leics D.G.  
Oct. 15 5,152 Aldenham S.Maj., Leics D.G.  
Nov. 5 5,088 Whitwick S.Maj., Leicester D.G.  
Nov. 19 5,056 Minsmere S.Maj., Hertford C.A.  
Nov. 26 5,120 Fordham S.Maj., Leicester D.G.  
Dec. 1 5,040 Spliced Two S.Roy., Leics D.G.  
Sep. 3 5,056 Rutland S.Maj., Hertford C.A.

### PROGRESSIVE LENGTH

Mar. 3 10,440 Cambridge S.Roy., Leics D.G.

### SPICED ON TOWER BELLS

Jan. 12 5,160 Twelve S.Roy., Lancashire A.  
Apr. 13 5,040 Eighteen S.Maj., Lancashire A.  
June 22 5,000 Fourteen S.Roy., Yorkshire A.  
Nov. 9 5,040 Eighteen S.Roy., Yorkshire A.  
The above is the report of the Records Committee, being those peals in the method and progressive performances published in 'The Ringing World.'

(Signed)

F. T. BLAGROVE (Convener),  
57, St. Andrew's Crescent,  
Windsor, Berks.

J. R. MAYNE,  
E. K. FLETCHER,  
L. K. MARSHALL.

Moving the adoption of the report, Mr. F. T. Blagrove made a number of corrections, substituting Purbeck for Moira, Oxley for Ob and Guernsey for Llanfihangel-Rhydeithon. There would also be an additional name to come for Burslem Delight Major. In the progressive lengths would be added on April 15th 11,552 Superlative Surprise Major, Chester Diocesan Guild.

As to the submission of compositions the Leicester Diocesan Guild had 'coughed up.' There were a number of Associations who did not send in the compositions of new methods rung, in fact the only Associations that did so were Kent, Leicester and generally the Middlesex.

Mr. John Mayne seconded the adoption. Canon Felstead asked if all these methods were published.

Mr. Blagrove replied that the methods were always published in 'The Ringing World.' It was a question of compositions. They were sometimes not published and they were not always sent in. The Middlesex did not always send in their compositions. He paid a tribute to the work done by Mrs. Fletcher and Mrs. Marshall.

Mr. Mayne said it was difficult with a large number of peals being rung always to send in. Because these compositions were not always published a lot of information had been lost to posterity. Another thing was the truth of the compositions. Nobody could be expected to prove all these things, but he thought some provision should be made for all these compositions going on record.

Mr. C. Crosswaite (Lancashire Association) asked whether Burslem Delight Major should not be left out now and published later, when it was renamed.

## LARGE INCREASE IN SALES Report of the Librarian

The very large increase in the sales of publications during the past four years is still maintained. The demand for the 'Beginners' Handbook' has been even greater than in any of the last three years and the total number of publications sold is greater than in any year except, for 1959, which was the first year the 'Beginners' Handbook' was for sale, when over 5,000 of them were sold.

Our present stock of 'Village Bells' will soon be exhausted, and as the 'Beginners' Handbook' covers the essentials of its contents, as well as giving much additional useful information for the beginner, Mr. Speed joins me in recommending that we do not reprint it.

Our thanks are due to Mr. J. A. Acres for the official checking sheet for the 40,320 Plain Bob Major rung at Loughborough, to Mr. R. W. M. Clouston for a copy of 'The Church and other Bells of Aberdeenshire—Part III,' and to Mr. F. E. Dukes for copies of 'Irish Bell News.'

Once again I must pay a well-earned tribute to Mr. and Mrs. R. F. B. Speed for dealing so efficiently with the sales section of the Library, a work which must take up a large amount of time and for which, I am sure, we are all extremely grateful.

FRANK W. PERRENS,  
Hon. Librarian.

## SALES AND STOCK OF PUBLICATION FOR 1963

	Copies sold	Stock
Method sheets—D.N.C.B.M.	31	765
Ditto—Stedman	39	584
Preservation of Bells	240 (a)	510
Four-way Minor Table	45	16
Handbell Ringing	183	253
Major Compositions	64	4
Collection of Peals, Sect. III	21	134
Report of Conference S.P.A.B.	8	45
Doubles Methods	158 (b)	1,569
Model Rules	38	533
Village Bells	168	90
Card of Instruction—Care of Bells	136 (b)	257
Plain Major Methods	68	105
Methods Committee Report	25	4
'On Conducting'	159	295
Handbook	89 (c)	657
Electrical switchgear card	5	860
Grandsire Caters	35	11
Beginners' Handbook	1,986 (c)	2,584
Ringings for Service	144 (a)	350
Stedman Compositions	39	819
Minor Methods	205	1,493
False Course Heads	56	110

(a) Includes 12 for presentation to Theological Colleges and one lost in post.

(b) Includes one lost in post.

(c) Includes 12 for presentation to Theological Colleges.

Mr. F. W. Perrens, in moving the adoption, said it had been a very successful year for the sales department and they were very grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Speed for the tremendous amount of work they had done in that direction.

Mr. F. Sharpe seconded and the report was adopted.

The secretary said the Standing Committee recommended that 'Village Bells' be not reprinted and at the meeting Mr. G. W. Pipe presented a number of books from Washington Cathedral to the Council.

Mr. R. A. Anderson moved that the thanks of the Council be sent to the Washington authorities for their gift. This and the Standing Committee's recommendation were carried.

The Hon. Secretary: I think the correct procedure is to include it now and amend it if and when the conductor submits another name.

Mr. Blagrove then moved that November 23, 5,120 Burslem Delight Major be entered and to be renamed Delight Major.

Mr. W. E. Critchley seconded and this was agreed to. The report was then adopted.



## MR. T. J. LOCK CONVENER BIOGRAPHIES COMMITTEE

### The Report

THE work of the Biographies Committee has been overshadowed this year by the sad death on October 24th of Albert Charles Hazelden, who had served this committee since 1939 and had been its convener for the last 21 years. Mr. Hazelden was the mainstay of our work and was an acknowledged authority on the earlier records and members of this Council. His service to his Church, together with his work for this committee and for the Guildford Guild library had been his principal occupations since his retirement in 1944, and this Council owes him a debt of gratitude for this unstinting work on its behalf. The committee is carrying on with its work with Mr. T. J. Lock as the new convener.

The following is a list of members and past members whose deaths have been reported since the last meeting of the Council:

W. Rose—Peterborough Diocesan Guild 1945-1956. Died March 31st, 1963. (Attended 12 meetings.)

Canon R. F. Wilkinson—North Notts Association 1929-1937. Died April 10th, 1963. (One meeting.)

E. H. Lewis—Cambridge University Guild 1908-1936. Hon. member 1936-1951. Life member 1951-1963. Died September 4th, 1963. (38 meetings.)

A. C. Hazelden—Guildford Diocesan Guild 1930-1963. Died October 24th, 1963 (23 meetings.)

H. Stalham—Sussex County Association 1954-1962. Died November 29th, 1963. (Eight meetings.)

Mr. Lock has continued his researches through old volumes of 'Crockford' and 'The Church Times' for details regarding early clerical members of the Council and we acknowledge valuable assistance from other persons too numerous to mention individually in this report.

One of the jobs undertaken since the death of Mr. Hazelden has been the listing of present and recent members of the Council for whom we do not hold a record sheet or for whom we do not hold a photograph. This list will be available at Truro.

Mr. William Parrott, of Epsom—a representative of the Surrey Association—has expressed a wish to help us with our work and we would ask the Council to elect him to the Biographies Committee.

Finally, again referring to the late Mr. Hazelden, he left all of the committee's records in really first-class order with his own biography sheet quite complete with photograph attached all ready for writing up—he had even requested his wife to add the date of his death. If this fine example set by our late convener were followed by all other members of the Council our task would be much lightened. Would that everyone was so meticulous.

(Signed)

W. H. VIGGERS (Acting Convener).

T. J. LOCK.

J. WILLIS.

Moving the adoption of the report, Mr. W. H. Viggers (acting convener) said he was sorry the names of Mr. Ogden and Mr. Taffender had not been included in the report. Details of biographies should now be sent to Mr. Lock, and not to Guildford.

Mr. John Willis (Kent County Association) seconded.

The Hon. Secretary: The Standing Committee recommend that Mr. William Parrott be added to the committee and the omissions be included in the report.

Mr. Viggers: Yes, we will do that.

The report was adopted.

### WINSTON CHURCHILL

Before the meeting closed Mr. C. K. Lewis called attention that when the present Parliament ceased, the greatest Englishman of all times would retire. It might be worthwhile to consider what action should be taken by way of individual efforts. He also hoped that they would bear that in mind when the names of new methods were considered.

## NAMING OF PEALS DECISION

### Report of Methods Committee

THE committee's work has been concerned with the preparation of the Collection of Surprise Major, Royal and Maximus methods rung in peals up to December 31st, 1963. Discussion has taken place as to the material to be included and the format and the collection is in course of preparation.

The committee asks the Council for confirmation of the following Decisions published in 'The Ringing World':

That the names of the methods rung in the peal of Spliced Surprise Major at Ashover on July 13th, 1963, should obtain for all future peals in them.

Consequently the peals by the Leicester Diocesan Guild of Moira Surprise Major on August 25th, 1963, should be renamed Purbeck Surprise Major and that of Ob Surprise Major on September 16th, 1963, should be renamed Oxney Surprise Major.

The committee wishes to draw attention to this Decision and to remind conductors that when a method is rung for the first time in a multi-method peal the name then given obtains for all future performances in, or including, the method.

The committee acknowledges that under the present Decisions of the Council the Leicester Diocesan Guild has the traditional right to name the methods but would draw attention to the precedent set in 1939, when the Suffolk Guild waived its right to retain the name Framden Surprise for a method which had been rung previously in a spliced peal as Loughborough Surprise by the Leicester Diocesan Guild. The committee trusts that to avoid confusion the Leicester Diocesan Guild will now waive its right.

The committee does not wish to interfere with the traditional right of a band to name a methods, within the Decisions of the Council, though it may consider the name ill-chosen. Neither does it wish to suggest that Elford Surprise should revert to its former name.

(Signed)

(Signed) F. T. BLAGROVE, C. K. LEWIS, J. R. MAYNE.

The adoption was moved by Mr. C. K. Lewis, who said they would like to add to the report the Decision regarding Burslem Delight. 'We are unanimous that it is not a true extension.' He had a letter from Mr. Poyner indicating that he is not willing to give it a new name until logical proof of the extension is forthcoming. Mr. Lewis suggested that they should meet Mr. Poyner and try and get him to give the peal a new name. They must refer the peal back to the Southwell Diocesan Guild and ask them to deal with the matter.

Mr. F. T. Blagrove formally seconded the adoption.

Mr. Brian Warwick (Leicester Diocesan Guild) said he rose with some trepidation. To Moira and Ob Surprise Major mentioned in paragraph (1) should be added a further peal, Llanfihangel-Rhydeithon Surprise Major rung in December. As he hoped he was a dutiful member of the Council, he was quite prepared to accept the committee's suggestion. He would also like them to take action on Smith Bob Major rung at Loughborough.

Mr. W. F. Moreton (Yorkshire Association) thought the Council was being held to ridicule by some of the names given to new methods. He also thought it was wrong to rename them when the method was first rung in a peal of spliced. It made it most difficult for everybody. He thought it was time they stopped people ringing methods with such names as Ob, which was Bo backwards.

Mr. John R. Mayne said the sole reason for the committee acting was to clarify the situation. With that in mind, the committee decided they would not make the Decisions retrospective beyond the present cases. They would like to thank Mr. Warwick for his action. If the Council was thinking of changing all names of methods rung, it would upset everything that had happened before.

Mr. W. Parrott (Surrey Association) asked whether the Council was not running away from their responsibilities in referring Burslem Delight to the Southwell Diocesan Guild. If this was referred to the Surrey Association there would not be the local knowledge to

decide. They elected a Methods Committee to tell them what was right; he thought it was wrong to refer it back to the Association. 'It was like saying: 'I can ring Plain Bob and call it Grandshire and you can't stop me.'

Mr. John R. Mayne commented that it was a fact that Burslem Delight did not conform. He did not think there was anything they could do but to refer it to the Southwell Diocesan Guild and ask them to bring pressure to bear on the conductor. They expected this to be done, as the Guild had agreed to accept the Decisions of the Council. This report was one of the finest documents produced by the Council.

Mr. R. B. Morris asked if these peals would be counted in the analysis.

Mr. W. Ayre: Of course. There is no question that a peal was rung.

Mr. C. K. Lewis: It is not the custom of the Council to dictate to a Guild or Association but to refer it back to them so that they can set their own household in order.

Mr. Brian Warwick: To make everything correctly in order, can we have an assurance from the Methods Committee that they would include Llanfihangel-Rhydeithon Surprise in paragraph (a)?

Mr. C. K. Lewis: Yes.

The report was then carried nem con.

### INSURANCE OF RINGERS

Under the heading of other business, Mr. A. D. Barker (Oxford Diocesan Guild) submitted a motion: 'That this Council urges all ringing associations to press for proper insurance of all ringers, preferably under a group accident policy.'

Mr. Barker said this was something that had come to light recently when one of their ringers in the Oxford Guild met with a serious accident, and they took up the question of insurance of ringers. This poor chap was insured. He went to a church to do a job and broke a bone in his foot. When they saw him ten weeks later he was hobbling about but had not received any money under insurance. They found out that it was a group insurance policy and they did not normally pay benefit until the case was finished.

For 2s. a year a person could be covered for accidents in his own or any other belfry or when travelling from one belfry to another. With the Ecclesiastical Insurance Office any ringer could be insured between the ages of 16 and 70. The benefit was £5 a week for temporary disablement, £500 for total disablement and £500 in the event of death. They did not have to give the individual names of ringers, it was done by a group insurance.

Mr. Walter Ayre seconded and the motion was carried.

### NEXT MEETING

The hon. secretary said they had two invitations, both carried forward from last year, for the next meeting. The Peterborough Diocesan Guild had invited the Council to Northampton in 1955 or 1956. The Coventry Diocesan Guild had written that they would consider it a great honour if on this particular occasion the Council accepted their invitation as the Lord Mayor had intimated that he would be willing to entertain the Council.

Miss Shelagh R. Collins, Master of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild, said she had pleasure on behalf of the Guild in inviting them to Northampton, where there was ample accommodation. Their secretary was associated with a brewery.

Mrs. Beamish, speaking in support of the Coventry Guild's invitation, said they had many interesting and historic places in Warwickshire and many nice rings of bells. Their only regret was that there was no ring of bells in Coventry Cathedral, but they hoped that would be remedied in a few years' time.

Asked where the headquarters would be, Mr. Frank Perren said it would probably be at Leamington.

The hon. secretary said it was 30 years since they visited Coventry Guild and they were at Northampton last in 1920.

A majority of ten votes was secured for Peterborough Guild's invitation.

(C.C. A.G.M. to be concluded)



# PRESENTATION TO MR. LESLIE MORRIS

## 26 Years Secretary of the Yorkshire Association

The resignation of Mr. Leslie Morris as general secretary of the Yorkshire Association, which had been pending since January last, took effect at the annual meeting of the Association, held at Doncaster on May 9th.

The President, the Ven. C. O. Ellison, recalled that Mr. Morris had held this office since 1938, a period of more than 26 years and had not missed a single meeting. He had also represented the Association on the Central Council from 1938 until 1962 and attended every meeting during that period. His minutes of proceedings were a model. The Association would always be in Mr. Morris' debt for his prolonged and devoted work on its behalf, but after such a length of service they felt obliged to respect his wish to have more time for his other commitments. They received his resignation with the utmost regret and with deep gratitude for his services.

The President added that the Association could not allow Mr. Morris to lay down his office without taking with him some tangible expression of its thanks and appreciation. A subscription list opened for this purpose had received widespread support throughout the county and he asked him to accept a gold pen and pencil as a token of the Association's thanks and affection and as a memento of his long services.

Mr. Morris said the presentation came as a complete surprise. He thanked the president, officers and members for their most beautiful gift, which he would always treasure although not feeling worthy of it. The success of a vast territorial Association such as the Yorkshire depended upon team work, not only of elected officers, but the general members. He hoped that the same loyalty and support as he had enjoyed would be accorded to his successor. In the election of Mr. W. F. Moreton, he felt sure the Association had made a very wise choice.

Mr. V. Bottomley was unanimously re-elected hon. treasurer for the next triennial period.

In presenting the 88th annual report the president pointed out that while 71 new resident members had joined the Association during the year, it was a matter for regret that through death or lapsing of former members, this figure was more or less offset. Among those who had passed away were Ben Birkett (Arksey), George W. Steel (Rothwell), Henry Clayton (Tadcaster), Herbert Rowley (Horbury), Ralph Umpleby (Idle), Arnold Hill (Worksop), George Robinson (Leeds) and Jackson Ewbank, of Birstwith, a former member of the general committee.

The Snowdon dinner held in Leeds had been supported by 130 members and friends, including Canon Gilbert Thurlow, president of the Central Council. The success of the dinner reflected very great credit on Mr. F. A. Munday who bore the burden of the preparations which alone made the evening possible.

The hon. treasurer's statement of accounts revealed that the Association has more than maintained its financial position during the year. That this is so is largely due to the energy and enthusiasm of the hon. treasurer himself. During the year two meetings have been held between the general committee and representatives of the local ringing societies operating in the county, the object being to see if there is not some way in which ringing activities could not be co-ordinated to the benefit of ringers and ringing in Yorkshire. The result of the meetings was to set up a representative working party whose conclusions have still to be considered both by the Association and the other societies.

The peal secretary's report showed that 167 peals had been rung during the year, being 161 tower-bell peals and six handbell peals. The calling of the peals was shared by 49 conductors, and the list included 19 members who had rung their first peal, two their first handbell peal, and three who had conducted a peal for the first time. The total represented an increase of 30 over the previous year. Several peals were rung by local companies,

being Spliced Surprise Royal in five methods at Bradford, Grandsire Caters at Rotherham, Doubles in nine methods and 21 methods at Wentworth, and Plain Bob Major at Calverley. Two members had passed their first centuries of peals for the Association, being B. Gillian Schofield, of Bradford, and Dr. R. E. Price, of Sheffield.

The report and balance sheet were adopted on the motion of Mrs. J. Bottomley, seconded by Mr. C. Maxfield.

A motion to introduce a peal booking fee was submitted in the following terms: 'That a charge of one shilling per ringer be made as a peal booking fee. The necessary amount should be forwarded to the peal secretary with the peal report.' Moved by Mr. W. E. Critchley, seconded by Mr. W. F. Moreton.

Mr. W. Barton moved and Mr. F. Hodgson seconded an amendment that the amount be sixpence per ringer. On being put to the vote, the amendment received 13 votes, and the original motion 31 votes, which was declared carried. It was also agreed that it should operate from June 1st, 1964.

Mr. H. Walker reported that arrangements were going ahead in connection with the Snowdon dinner to be held in York on October 10th. The new Dean of York had promised to attend.

The following new members were elected: Miss W. E. Hewings and Mr. Hepworth (Pontefract), Miss Valerie Johnson and Mr. Anthony Dew (Acomb), Mr. Graham Blackburn (Goole), Miss L. Leigh (Bentley), Mr. D. Buck (Wetherby), Miss Susan Raper, Miss Janet Sowter and Mr. Alan Marshall (Thorne) and, as an out-county member, Mr. L. J. Keen (Willesden).

Previous to the meeting Archdeacon Ellison conducted the service in the parish church and an excellent tea was served. Doncaster, Arksey, Sprothorough and Barnby Don towers were available. In the votes of thanks Mr. W. E. Critchley, Mr. F. A. Staveley and the ladies were specially mentioned. Mr. Critchley replied.

## OBITUARY

### MR. JOHN E. ROOTES

Jack Rootes died suddenly at his home, at Bushey, on May 10th. His death came as a great shock to his many friends, for he was apparently making a good recovery after a recent operation.

Born at Goudhurst in 1890, Jack came to this district in the mid 1920's. He rang at Stanmore and Bushey Heath before coming to St. James, Bushey, where he had been a ringer for over 30 years and tower master since 1953. This position he filled with outstanding success. To the end he showed little sign of his age, and might well have been taken for a much younger man.

He kept no record of his peals; he had probably rung several hundred. Most of these were on the treble, which he would ring to peal after peal with hardly ever a misblow. Capable of ringing round the back end, he rang Cambridge, Superlative and Yorkshire, but steadily declined to learn any other Surprise methods. What he enjoyed about ringing was clearly the company of his fellows rather than any personal achievement. On handbells he rang the tenors to peals of Bob Major, Grandsire and Stedman Triples.

Jack was very well liked by all who knew him; he always had a cheerful word for everyone, and nobody ever saw him the least bit out of temper. People have remarked to me that Bushey always seemed a very happy belfry; Jack had said so himself, seemingly unaware that this was largely due to his own influence. His passing is a grievous loss to the tower and district. C. W. W.

The bells of Whitwell-on-the-Hill, North Yorkshire (6, 124 cwt.) have been recently restored to a ringable condition by members of the St. John's College Bellringers' Society and were rung on Ascension Day in connection with the induction of the new Vicar at Crambe (an unringable three). The bells are not safe for quarter or peal attempts because of a somewhat insecure framework but are all right if rung in short touches, say, by touring teams.



South Wales Nomads, who toured Devon (see page 351). From left to right, standing: B. Neal, P. Evans, D. Thomas, G. K. Cook, C. Ricketts, Rev. D. Sansum, E. Thomas, G. Marchant. Seated: G. Thomas, R. Waters, J. Bird.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

Six tower teams and three scratch teams, made up from other ringers present, took part in the Farnham District striking competition held at Ash on May 23rd. Mr. W. Parker was the adjudicator, assisted by Mr. Douglas May, Master of the Guild. Farnborough were again first, followed by Aldershot.



## Great Milton Peal a Spoof

Dear Sir,—I see that once again some feeble-minded person has seen fit to submit a 'hoax' peal for publication, namely that at Gt. Milton on April 24th, supposedly rung by the Rolling Stones and three well-known ringers from South Buckinghamshire.

I realise that it is too much to expect that you, sir, should be familiar with the names of the members of all the 'pop' groups in the country, but nevertheless one would have thought that it would have been apparent to anyone with a knowledge of ringing matters that this peal was a little suspicious, five of the names being unknown, and there being no asterisks for first peals, etc.

What is more important, however, is that a member of the Exercise should consider it amusing to waste time, money and space in the 'R.W.' to perpetrate such adolescent inanity. This is by no means the first time that such peals have been published. Might I suggest that all possible steps be taken to find the author of this latest foolishness, and the results printed?

It was also satisfying to see that the peal at Pershore on May 2nd was published as non-association, the reason being apparent in the footnote. Doubtless others will complain about this, but at least it obviates such remarks as occasionally appear in 'Belfry Gossip' about one Association having gained a record from another when the participants in both records were virtually identical.—Yours faithfully,

JOHN CAMP.

Jesus College, Oxford.

Note.—We had already asked Oxford Guild officials to investigate when reader Camp's letter arrived. Although the Editor has been reading peals for publication for 18 years, he is still unfamiliar with the names of all who ring. He can give no guarantee to spot a spoof. Readers will respect his frailty in this respect by not attempting.—Ed.

## LETTERS

### A Disclaimer

Dear Sir.—We, the undersigned, wish to inform all those concerned that we did not participate in any 'peal' at Great Milton, Oxfordshire, on Friday, April 24th, 1964, and, as for the other people mentioned in the report, viz. Messrs. W. Wyman, C. Watts, B. Jones, M. Jagger and K. Richards, we have never heard of them!—Yours faithfully,

Signed by: W. BIRMINGHAM.  
F. R. SCOTT, J. KEITH WARD.

### Essex Secretary's Appreciation

Dear Sir.—I would very much appreciate it if you could find space to insert this short letter of thanks to all those members of the Essex Association who so generously contributed to my presentation on Whit Monday—I refer in particular to those members who were unable to be present at the meeting.

With the cheque I hope to purchase a cocktail cabinet and hope that members will come to see it and, perchance, try it some time!

Once again my sincere thanks.—

FRANK V. GANT.

Hornchurch, Essex.

### Burslem Delight Minor

Dear Sir,—I am willing to call Burslem Delight Major by another name if logical proof of the incorrectness of the extension is forthcoming. Until that time the name stands.

This proof will not be found in the 'Report on Extension,' a document which by arbitrary rules attempts to control the most poorly-understood branch of our art. The Report commands as little respect to-day as it ever did, for this reason—it says **how** but not **why**.—  
Yours faithfully, H. POYNER.

Retford.

## Faults and Striking Competitions

Dear Sir,—The Surrey Association has held a striking competition for about eight years, and when the report is submitted to 'The Ringing World' for publication, the number of faults has been intentionally omitted for the sole reason that has caused Mr. Cooper (page 340) trouble—namely, that the judges are thought to have different standards of marking. The Association felt that just the position of the bands is sufficient for readers.

Our judge, Mr. C. H. Kippin, gives marks which vary from about 100 faults to the winning team, and well over 300 to the last team. The set piece is 224 Grandsire Triples and only once have I known a band to get less than 100 faults, and that was due to an excellent ring of bells. If these faults had been published alongside another competition which awards 22½ faults for 360 changes, then it might be felt that the ringing in Surrey was the worst in the country.

Whilst I am not condemning the judges on the results they give, I think that they all have their own methods of marking, and that the number of faults awarded can only be of interest to the local association.

If number of faults awarded to each band is omitted from reports it will prevent ambiguity, and definitely save space in 'The Ringing World.'—Yours faithfully,

DAVID J. HERSCHELL.

Epsom Common, Surrey.

Miss M. E. Chilton informs us that the peal at North Muskham on May 1st (page 333) was not her 50th peal.

West Country hospitality was fully demonstrated following the recent peal at Twerton. The band were entertained afterwards to a magnificent tea by members of the Bowden family and also had the pleasure of meeting the youngest member of the family. All concerned would like to thank them for their wonderful hospitality.

# John Taylor & Co.

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Winchester College Society had hard luck in their peal attempt at Owslebury on May 24th. The rope of the fifth broke shortly after the beginning of the last extent. It would have been the first peal of C. W. Daws, the 16-year-old conductor. The following were making their first attempt: R. A. Friedlander (16), R. Dyckhoff (16), R. H. Yondale (17), M. D. Roaf (17). Keeping a fatherly eye on them from the tenor was Mr. J. E. Spice.

The peal at Carbis Bay on May 21st was to mark the 25th anniversary of the ordination to the priesthood of the Rev. A. S. Roberts, who rang the tenor, and to Ann Mallett on her second birthday.

Tony Tyers, who arranged the successful peal of Royal at Feltham on May 23rd, was prevented from ringing by illness. There were six firsts of Royal in it.

Congratulations to the ladies of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association on ringing their first peal. This took place at Dinder on May 23rd.

For 70 years Mr. Tom Barker has rung the tenor at Holy Trinity Church, Hawley, Camberley, and his 80th birthday on Whit Sunday was marked by special ringing in the evening and after the service the band drank Tom's health.

The band who recently rang the peal of Bristol at Twerton Parish Church were extremely sorry to learn that Mr. W. H. Ware, the local tower keeper, who was to have met them, had been involved in a road accident the previous day. They join his other ringing friends in wishing him a speedy recovery.

A well-known ringer from Brierley Hill, Staffs, will probably be very envious of the 10 people who rang the peal of Surprise Royal at Christ Church, Bristol, on May 25th. Had it been known that he would be on an outing with the Stourbridge ringers on May 9th then permission would have been sought to ring at Christ Church instead of the Cathedral.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

Because of the length of 'The Ringing World' committee meeting, the editor was locked out of his hotel at Truro and the down floor was in darkness. To the rescue came Dr. Derek Sibson and later a member of the hotel staff. The editor's escort, Mr. Norman Harding and Mr. Wilfrid Wilson, were not called upon to perform unusual feats to secure an entry.

We learn that Mr. Tom Myers, of Plymouth, who is in hospital, is making excellent progress.

The peal at Frome on May 16th was a birthday compliment to Mrs. Hazel Stirland, who husband rang the fifth.

Miss Joan Hills, of 1, Oval Gardens, Grays, Essex, would like to hear of anyone who rang a quarter peal with her during 1954 to enable her records to be completed. They were mostly rung in London.

The band who rang the peal at All Cannings on May 16th desire to thank Mr. and Mrs. Maslen, of Church House, for their very kind hospitality, which came as a complete surprise on leaving the church.

A long length peal of 9.120 Oxford Treble Bob Major was rung at Heptonstall on May 23rd for the Yorkshire Association, in 5 hrs. 12 mins. It was conducted by Leonard Goodall, and Edward Jenkins was on the 18cw. tenor.

When Mr. Robert Parry, secretary of the Aylesbeare Deanery Branch, was married on April 25th, eight of the nine towers in the branch contributed a ringer to a congratulatory peal at Clyst Honiton. His wedding to Miss Joyce Sampson was at his own church, Lymptstone, where the ringers rang before and after the service.

The quarter peal rung at the memorial service for Nancy Viscountess Astor at St. Andrew's, Plymouth, on May 19th, is only the second half-muffled quarter on the bells and they have both been rung as tribute to Americans. After the second world war Lady Astor and her husband did much in the rebuilding of Plymouth and the ringers taking part were proud to add their tribute.

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On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Denys, St. Denys, Cornwall.

### A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9½ cwt.

CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. Treble	STANLEY G. PONTING .. .. 5
NORMAN V. HARDING .. .. 2	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 6
EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. .. 3	GEORGE FRANCIS .. .. 7
SHELAGH R. COLLINS .. .. 4	JOE E. G. ROAST .. .. Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX.

Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mawgan, St. Mawgan-in-Pydar, Cornwall.

### A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9½ cwt.

JACK BRAY .. .. Treble	W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. .. 5
JOE E. G. ROAST .. .. 2	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 6
CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. 3	GORDON BENFIELD .. .. 7
GEORGE E. FEIRN .. .. 4	WILFRID F. MORETON .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Gonand-of-the-Rock, Roche, Cornwall.

### A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt, 13 lb. in F sharp.

JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. .. Treble	PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. 5
JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. .. 2	NORMAN V. HARDING .. .. 6
SHELAGH R. COLLINS .. .. 3	PETER A. SHARP .. .. 7
ALICE E. J. LESTER .. .. 4	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

On Wed., May 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael, Helston, Cornwall.

### A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Tenor 15 cwt, 3 qr. 7 lb. in F.

Heywood's variation.	COLIN W. REED .. .. 5
BERYL N. REED .. .. Treble	JOE E. ROAST .. .. 6
E. MARION KEY .. .. 2	BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. 7
FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 3	CHARLES F. W. EYRE .. .. Tenor
CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. 4	

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

On Wed., May 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Anthony, St. Anthony-in-Meneage, Cornwall.

### A PEAL OF 5152 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

DAVID J. HERSCHELL .. .. Treble	PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. 5
KENNETH J. HESKETH .. .. 2	ALAN E. BAGWORTH .. .. 6
GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. 3	A. PATRICK CANNON .. .. 7
JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. .. 4	RALPH G. EDWARDS .. .. Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

On Wed., May 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints, Tuckingmill, Cornwall.

### A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt, 1 qr. 21 lb. in A flat.

ANTHONY LOCKE .. .. Treble	ANTHONY J. DAVIDSON .. .. 5
CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. 2	STANLEY G. PONTING .. .. 6
NORMAN V. HARDING .. .. 3	FREDERICK E. DUKES .. .. 7
*SANDRA DUKES .. .. 4	H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by CYRIL A. WRATTEN.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First in the method.

On Thurs., May 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

At the Church of St. Anta and All Saints, Carbis Bay, Cornwall.

### A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 9 cwt, 2 qr. 5 lb. in G sharp.

WALTER AYRE .. .. Treble	ANTHONY LOCKE .. .. 6
BERYL N. REED .. .. 2	ANTHONY J. DAVIDSON .. .. 7
*GEORGE T. COUSINS .. .. 3	COLIN W. REED .. .. 8
CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. 4	NORMAN MALLET .. .. 9
PHILIP G. MORGAN .. .. 5	REV. ARTHUR S. ROBERTS .. .. Tenor

Composed by ALBERT M. TYLER.

Conducted by CYRIL A. WRATTEN.

\* First peal of Grandsire Caters.

On Thurs., May 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew, Stratton, Cornwall.

### A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 21 cwt. in E flat.

Parker's Twelve-Part.	HORACE HEARD .. .. 5
HARRY STACEY .. .. Treble	ERNEST J. LADD .. .. 6
FREDERICK A. H. WILKINS .. .. 2	FREDERICK E. COLLINS .. .. 7
EDGAR NUNN .. .. 3	CHARLES SANGWIN .. .. Tenor
RICHARD C. STEVENS .. .. 4	

Conducted by ERNEST J. LADD.

Rung for the birth of a daughter to Edgar Nunn: also a birthday compliment to Charles Sangwin.

On Thurs., May 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Truro, Cornwall.

### A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 33 cwt, 3 qr. 10 lb. in D flat.

G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. .. Treble	NORMAN V. HARDING .. .. 6
TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. .. 2	JOHN M. JELLEY .. .. 7
THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 3	JOHN S. MASON .. .. 8
CLAUDIA CRITCHLEY .. .. 4	RALPH G. EDWARDS .. .. 9
DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. .. 5	WILFRED WILLIAMS .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER

Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

On Thurs., May 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Columba, St. Columb Major, Cornwall.

### A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt, 2 qr. 4 lb. in F.

PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. Treble	H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. .. 5
KENNETH J. HESKETH .. .. 2	ALAN E. BAGWORTH .. .. 6
SHELAGH R. COLLINS .. .. 3	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. 7
*DAVID J. HERSCHELL .. .. 4	A. PATRICK CANNON .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. P. HEYWOOD.

Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

\* First peal of D.N.C.B., and on the bells.

On Thurs., May 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Columba, St. Columb Minor, Cornwall.

### A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt, 21 lb. in A flat.

*JANET M. PERCY .. .. Treble	ALAN E. BAGWORTH .. .. 5
KENNETH J. HESKETH .. .. 2	PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. 6
SHELAGH R. COLLINS .. .. 3	A. PATRICK CANNON .. .. 7
*DAVID J. HERSCHELL .. .. 4	†GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by GEORGE E. THODAY.

\* First peal of Cambridge. † 250th peal.

On Fri., May 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Gluvias, St. Gluvias, Cornwall.

### A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt, 3 qr. 10 lb. in G.

A. PATRICK CANNON .. .. Treble	PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. 5
NORMAN V. HARDING .. .. 2	ALAN E. BAGWORTH .. .. 6
SHELAGH R. COLLINS .. .. 3	H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. .. 7
*DAVID J. HERSCHELL .. .. 4	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE.

Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

\* First peal of Superlative, and on the bells.

On Fri., May 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mewan, St. Mewan, Cornwall.

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being 14 methods, in the following seven extents: (1) Double and Plain Bob, (2) Double Court, (3) Double Oxford, Thelwall, Pinehurst, St. Clement's, Childwall and Buxton; (4) Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, (5) Cambridge, Beverley and Surfleet Surprise; (6 and 7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt, 3 qr. 7 lb. in A.

V. MARY MATTHEWS .. .. Treble	ARTHUR F. BURLEY .. .. 5
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. .. 2	CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. 6
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. .. 3	ALAN CARVETH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CYRIL A. WRATTEN.

## A WEST COUNTRY TOUR

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., May 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, Chewton Mendip, Somerset.

### A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 24 cwt, 1 qr. 1 lb. in D.

E. JANE SIBSON .. .. Treble	THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 5
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 2	DENNIS BERESFORD .. .. 6
EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. .. 3	W. LESLIE WELLER .. .. 7
DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. IVIN.

Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

On Fri., May 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, Broadclyst, Devon.

### A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt, 25 lb. in E flat.

JOAN BERESFORD .. .. Treble	DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 5
E. JANE SIBSON .. .. 2	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 6
EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. .. 3	W. LESLIE WELLER .. .. 7
THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 4	DENNIS BERESFORD .. .. Tenor

Composed by IAN M. HOLLAND.

Conducted by DENNIS BERESFORD.

THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Euny, Redruth, Cornwall.

### A PEAL OF 5024 CORNWALL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. in F sharp.

*E. JANE SIBSON .. .. Treble	THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 5
*JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 2	*W. LESLIE WELLER .. .. 6
*EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. .. 3	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 7
*DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 4	*DENNIS BERESFORD .. .. Tenor

Composed by RICHARD F. B. SPEED.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal in the method.

THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., May 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Martin-of-Tours, Werrington, Devon.

### A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's transposition of Thurstans' Four-Part.

DENNIS BERESFORD .. .. Treble	ERNEST J. LADD .. .. 5
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 2	*D. ROY BOULD .. .. 6
*MARGARET A. BOULD .. .. 3	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 7
DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 4	WALTER H. MARKS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples. Tenor 14 cwt, 2 qr. 12 lb. in F. Rung on the third anniversary of the induction of the Rector.



**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Thurs., May 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes.*  
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, Ditchat, Somerset.

**A PEAL OF 5120 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 24 cwt. 4 lb. in E flat.

JOAN BERESFORD .. .. Treble	*GEORGE FRANCIS .. .. 5
E. JANE SIBSON .. .. 2	W. LESLIE WELLER .. .. 6
EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. .. 3	DENNIS BERESFORD .. .. 7
DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. IVIN.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal in the method.

**THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.**

*On Fri., May 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.*

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Clyst Honiton, Devon.

**A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

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

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in E.

E. JANE SIBSON .. .. Treble	*GEORGE FRANCIS .. .. 5
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 2	DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 6
EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. .. 3	*W. LESLIE WELLER .. .. 7
JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 4	DENNIS BERESFORD .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN.

Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

\* First peal of 6-Spliced.

**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes.*

At the Church of St. Bartholomew, Crewkerne, Somerset.

**A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 22 cwt. 7 lb. in D.

E. JANE SIBSON .. .. Treble	*GEORGE FRANCIS .. .. 5
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 2	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 6
EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. .. 3	W. LESLIE WELLER .. .. 7
DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 4	DENNIS BERESFORD .. .. Tenor

Composed by D. KNOX.

Conducted by DENNIS BERESFORD.

\* First peal in the method.

**TWELVE BELL PEAL****THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**

*On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 3 Hours and 45 Minutes.*

At the Cathedral Church of St. Saviour, Southwark, London, S.E.

**A PEAL OF 5115 STEDMAN CINQUES**

Tenor 48 cwt.

ANDREW N. STUBBS .. .. Treble	WILLIAM T. COOK .. .. 7
EDGAR C. SHEPHERD .. .. 2	DAVID T. DARBY .. .. 8
ROGER F. OVERINGTON .. .. 3	JOHN CHILCOTT .. .. 9
RAYMOND G. COUSINS .. .. 4	JAMES PHILLIPS .. .. 10
JOHN PHILLIPS .. .. 5	MICHAEL P. MORETON .. .. 11
ANTHONY R. KENCH .. .. 6	JOHN H. CRAMPION .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN CHILCOTT.

To mark the quatercentenary of William Shakespeare's birth.

**TEN BELL PEALS****THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.*

At the Church of St. Peter, Leeds, Yorkshire.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

Tenor 42 cwt. 1 qr. 27 lb. in C.

THOMAS W. STRANGEWAY .. Treble	ROBIN BROWN .. .. 6
PATRICIA LOCKWOOD .. .. 2	IRVIN SLACK .. .. 7
IAN NORTH .. .. 3	ALLAN WEAR .. .. 8
WILLIAM DIXON .. .. 4	RONALD H. DOVE .. .. 9
JEFFREY P. COOPER .. .. 5	C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

A compliment to the Precentor, the Rev. S. J. Finch, and his bride, Miss C. V. Charge.

*On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.*

At the Cathedral Church of St. Peter, Bradford, Yorkshire.

**A PEAL OF 5000 SELBY SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 25½ cwt.

JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK .. Treble	VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. .. 6
W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. .. 2	GORDON BENFIELD .. .. 7
B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. .. 3	J. HENRY FIELDEN .. .. 8
IAN M. HOLLAND .. .. 4	WILFRID F. MORETON .. .. 9
JEANNE E. BOTTOMLEY .. .. 5	RICHARD E. PRICE .. .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

First peal in the method by the Association, and by all the band.

*On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes.*

At the Church of St. Giles, Pontefract, Yorkshire.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

Tenor 18 cwt. 9 lb. in E.

SEDMAN H. STEEL .. .. Treble	ALBERT W. A. LEGGETT .. .. 6
*SUSAN E. THOMPSON .. .. 2	MICHAEL STANFORTH .. .. 7
†COLIN BANTON .. .. 3	*CHRISTOPHER J. GROOME .. .. 8
*DAVID PEARSON .. .. 4	MICHAEL MASKILL .. .. 9
MARGARET E. WILKINSON .. 5	HAROLD WALKER .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. J. TUCKER.

Conducted by HAROLD WALKER.

\* First peal of Royal. † First peal.

Rung by York Minster Society.

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.*

At the Church of St. Giles, Northampton.

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

JOHN W. T. HIBBERT .. Treble	EDWARD R. VENN .. .. 6
J. KEITH WARD .. .. 2	*ANTHONY D. SANSOM .. .. 7
CHRISTINE C. MACNAIR .. 3	PETER A. SHARP .. .. 8
*H. ROGER ASHMORE .. .. 4	JOHN E. CAMP .. .. 9
FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. .. 5	F. JOHN NELSON .. .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM PYE.

Conducted by PETER A. SHARP.

\* First 10-bell peal. First on ten as conductor.

*On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.*

At the Church of St. Mary, Banbury, Oxfordshire.

**A PEAL OF 5040 BOSTON SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. in E.

IVOR GOULTER .. .. Treble	ERIC SUTTON .. .. 6
GORDON W. LAND .. .. 2	CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. 7
ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. 3	DON C. EXELL .. .. 8
VICTOR GRIFFIN .. .. 4	ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. 9
REV. ROGER KEELEY .. .. 5	BRIAN BLADON .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.*

At the Church of St. Clement Danes, Westminster.

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 17 lb. in E.

PERCY J. SPICE .. .. Treble	JOHN D. FAIRCLOTH .. .. 6
BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 2	D. PAUL SMITH .. .. 7
CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. 3	MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 8
THOMAS E. SONE .. .. 4	JOHN W. SMITH .. .. 9
FREDERICK J. CULLUM .. .. 5	TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM PYE. Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.*

At the Church of St. Catherine, Feltham, Middlesex.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

Tenor 11½ cwt. in F sharp.

*LOUISE G. GALLINI .. Treble	ALAN J. FROST .. .. 6
*MICHAEL G. BARTLETT .. 2	ANDREW M. JOHNSON .. .. 7
*ANTHONY H. SMITH .. .. 3	*RICHARD O. HUMPHRIES .. 8
DIANA M. FROST .. .. 4	*ROGER W. POWELL .. .. 9
*JEREMY A. M. SALTER .. 5	NICHOLAS J. DAVIES .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. J. TUCKER.

Conducted by NICHOLAS J. DAVIES.

\* First peal of Royal. First of Royal as conductor.

**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Mon., May 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes.*

At Christ Church with St. Ewen, Bristol.

**A PEAL OF 5040 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

*ALAN TUBB .. .. Treble	D. JOHN HUNT .. .. 6
GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. .. 2	PETER BRIDLE .. .. 7
JENNIFER M. TAYLOR .. .. 3	JOHN H. GILBERT .. .. 8
PATRICK J. BIRD .. .. 4	JAMES R. TAYLOR .. .. 9
MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. 5	RALPH G. EDWARDS .. .. Tenor

Composed by NEIL BENNETT.

Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

\* First peal of Royal. First in the method for the Association, on the bells, and by all the band.

Tenor 23 cwt.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS****THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**

*On Fri., April 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.*

At the Church of St. Mary, Old Swinford, Stourbridge, Worcestershire.

**A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 12 lb. in F sharp.

PETER J. BROWN .. .. Treble	SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 5
PETER L. BILL .. .. 2	PAUL CATTERMOLE .. .. 6
YVONNE EDWARDS .. .. 3	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. .. 7
MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. 4	JOHN C. EISEL .. .. Tenor

Composed by RICHARD F. B. SPEED.

Conducted by MICHAEL J. FELLOWS.

Average age of band 19 years 3 months.

*On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.*

At the Church of St. Mary, Kingswinford, Staffordshire.

**A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

RICHARD C. INGRAM .. Treble	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. .. 5
*ALAN BURBIDGE .. .. 2	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. 6
WILLIAM J. V. CONDUCT .. 3	CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. .. 7
*MAURICE G. INGRAM .. .. 4	GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by GEOFFREY DAVIES.

\* First peal in the method. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 17 lb. in F sharp.



## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Tues., May 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Brierley Hill, Staffs.

## A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb. in F.

RAYMOND SMITH .. .. Treble	A. BRYAN ELLSMORE .. .. 5
PETER J. BROWN .. .. 2	GEOFFREY WESTWOOD .. .. 6
IRENE ELLSMORE .. .. 3	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. 7
PETER L. BILL .. .. 4	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE HUGHES. Conducted by MARTIN D. FELLOWS.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Margaret, Ditchling, Sussex.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 7½ cwt.

JEAN M. PIKE .. .. Treble	ANGELA GRAINGER .. .. 5
KENNETH C. KNIGHT .. .. 2	BERNARD J. STONE .. .. 6
*NORMAN J. WRIGHT .. .. 3	BERNARD G. NORTH .. .. 7
JOHN R. NORRIS .. .. 4	†JOHN H. MALLETT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ANGELA GRAINGER.

\*First peal. †First peal at first attempt. First of Triples for all except the conductor. First of Triples as conductor.

Rung as a compliment to the parents of the conductor on their 29th wedding anniversary.

On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes,  
At Christ Church, Blacklands, Hastings, Sussex.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. J. PARKER'S TWELVE-PART (7th obs.)	Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.
C. ALFRED LEVETT .. .. Treble	W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON .. .. 5
PHILIP H. D. JONES .. .. 2	EDWARD F. P. BRYANT .. .. 6
HERBERT W. WOOLVEN .. .. 3	ANTONY JACKSON .. .. 7
R. IAN VAUGHAN .. .. 4	ANTONY PARCELL .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ANTONY JACKSON.

First peal as conductor.

Rung for the Feast of Whitsun.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,  
At the Church of the Holy Trinity, Coleman's Hatch, Sussex.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

JENNIFER M. TAYLOR .. .. Treble	FRANK W. LEWIS .. .. 5
*EUNICE M. LEWIS .. .. 2	JAMES R. TAYLOR .. .. 6
PATRICIA DISERENS .. .. 3	BRIAN J. LUFF .. .. 7
JOHN N. DISERENS .. .. 4	RONALD F. DISERENS .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by RONALD F. DISERENS.

\*First peal of Surprise 'inside.

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,  
At the Church of the Holy Trinity, Coleman's Hatch, Sussex.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb.

IRENE GOCHER .. .. Treble	*MARTIN J. KIRK .. .. 5
WILLIAM T. BEESON .. .. 2	†MICHAEL J. WAKE .. .. 6
EDWARD F. FOSBERRY .. .. 3	E. WINIFRED KEYS .. .. 7
DAVID D. SMITH .. .. 4	PHILIP STEVENS .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by E. WINIFRED KEYS.

\*First peal of Major. †First of Major 'inside.'

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,  
At Christ Church, Fairwarp, Sussex.

## A PEAL OF 5152 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In eight methods, comprising 960 London, 928 Watford, 768 Bristol, 672 Cambridge, 512 Dorchester, 448 each Pudsey and Superlative and 416 Lincoln; with 117 changes of method, and all the work of each method for each bell!

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. in F sharp.

ANN JENNER .. .. Treble	STANLEY JENNER .. .. 5
*JEAN L. LAVENDER .. .. 2	*COLIN A. TESTER .. .. 6
*OLIVE D. TESTER .. .. 3	*STEWART F. W. KIMBER .. .. 7
*ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. 4	PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. Tenor

Composed by ALBERT J. PITMAN. Conducted by PHILIP A. CORBY.

\*First peal of 8-Spiced on this plan.

In honour of the engagement of Jean L. Lavender and Stewart F. W. Kimber.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary, Maulden, Bedfordshire.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. in F sharp.

C. EDWARD JEFFRIES .. .. Treble	JAMES H. EDWARDS .. .. 5
ALAN S. SMITH .. .. 2	ANTHONY H. SMITH .. .. 6
AVRIL IVIN .. .. 3	ALFRED E. RUSHTON .. .. 7
RONALD J. SHARP .. .. 4	STEPHEN IVIN .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints, Brenchley, Kent.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. 24 lb. in E.

ROBERT T. LAMBERT .. .. Treble	EDWARD J. JENNER .. .. 5
REGINALD E. LAMBERT .. .. 2	*KEVIN S. HOHL .. .. 6
ANN JENNER .. .. 3	*COLIN A. TESTER .. .. 7
OLIVE D. TESTER .. .. 4	STANLEY JENNER .. .. Tenor

Composed by ROGER BALDWIN.

Conducted by STANLEY JENNER.

\*25th peal together.

On Sun., May 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints, Frindsbury, Kent.

## A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 4 lb. in F.

JUDITH M. CORBY .. .. Treble	TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. 5
*ANN JENNER .. .. 2	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. .. 6
ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. 3	STANLEY JENNER .. .. 7
†CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. 4	PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by STANLEY JENNER.

\*First peal in the method. †400th peal. First in the method as conductor.

Rung in honour of the ordination this day, in Rochester Cathedral of Dennis H. Sweetman (priest) and Graham R. Lock (deacon).

## THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter, Alton, Staffordshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Bruerton's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 22 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb.
*PATRICIA MILLS .. .. Treble	G. ARNOLD MOORE .. .. 5
GEOFFREY C. BEECH .. .. 2	RAYMOND BALLARD .. .. 6
LESLIE WALLEY .. .. 3	*PHILIP GAY .. .. 7
*DAVID S. MIDGELEY .. .. 4	WILLIAM WALKIN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by G. ARNOLD MOORE.

\*First peal of Grandsire Triples.

A birthday compliment for Miss Patricia Mills.

## THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 3 Hours,  
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Clyst Honiton, Devon.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 18½ cwt.
A. TAPLEY (Sowton) .. .. Treble	J. H. GLANVILL (Woodbury) .. .. 5
MARY BROWNE (Topsham) .. .. 2	J. QUICK (East Budleigh) .. .. 6
D. WILLS (Clyst St. George) .. .. 3	G. E. RETTER (Clyst Honiton) .. .. 7
C. C. DLEM (Littleham) .. .. 4	F. D. MACK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. RETTER.

A compliment to Robert Perry (Branch secretary) on his marriage to Miss Joyce Sampson at Lymington this day.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter, Tiverton, Devon.

## A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb. in D.

TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. .. Treble	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. 5
ELISABETH A. G. BOWDEN .. .. 2	RALPH G. EDWARDS .. .. 6
KENNETH J. HESKETH .. .. 3	JOHN S. MASON .. .. 7
DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. .. 4	WILFRED WILLIAMS .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. IVIN.

Conducted by TUDOR P. EDWARDS.

## THE SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.

On Mon., May 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,  
At the Bell Foundry Campanile, Loughborough, Leicestershire.

## A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

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

*RAYMOND BENFIELD .. .. Treble	EDMUND SHUTTLEWORTH .. .. 5
RICHARD C. L. BROWN .. .. 2	*MARY C. KNIGHT .. .. 6
*MICHAEL POPPLESTON .. .. 3	B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. .. 7
*†GEORGE DAWSON .. .. 4	G. RONALD EDWARDS .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. NICHOLL.

Conducted by RAYMOND BENFIELD.

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

A birthday compliment to Edmund Shuttleworth.

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## THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., April 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Nicholas, Cranleigh, Surrey.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

E. WINIFRED KEYS .. .. Treble	PETER JOYCE .. .. 5
*JENNIFER M. TAYLOR .. .. 2	STANLEY G. PONTING .. .. 6
EDWARD F. FOSBERRY .. .. 3	BRIAN J. LUFF .. .. 7
WILLIAM T. BEESON .. .. 4	JAMES R. TAYLOR .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by JAMES R. TAYLOR.

\* 100th peal.

Tenor 18 cwt.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Vincent, Caythorpe, Lincolnshire.

## A PEAL OF 5056 BELGRAVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb. in F.

LOUIS WILLIERS .. .. Treble	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. .. 5
JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. .. 2	J. L. MILLHOUSE .. .. 6
NORAH M. RANGLES .. .. 3	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. 7
HAROLD F. GIBSON .. .. 4	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. Tenor

Composed by P. G. K. DAVIES.

Conducted by GEOFFREY PAUL.

First peal in the method by all the band except the ringer of seventh.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thurs., May 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip, Birmingham.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

MURIEL REAY .. .. Treble	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. 5
NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 2	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. .. 6
*SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 3	GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 7
EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. 4	RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN J. IVIN.

Conducted by GEOFFREY DAVIES.

\* 100th peal.

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in A.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Andrew, Backwell, Somerset.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in D.

RICHARD J. BOWDEN .. .. Treble	JAMES R. TAYLOR .. .. 5
ELISABETH A. G. BOWDEN .. .. 2	PETER BRIDLE .. .. 6
JENNIFER M. TAYLOR .. .. 3	DON C. EXELL .. .. 7
ANTHONY E. COX .. .. 4	RALPH G. EDWARDS .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by DON C. EXELL.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes.

At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, Frome, Somerset.

## A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 31 cwt.

*DAVID G. MASSEY .. .. Treble	BRYAN C. STIRLAND .. .. 5
*FRANCES M. MASSEY .. .. 2	EDWARD J. CHIVERS .. .. 6
†EUNICE D. OVEREND .. .. 3	GEORGE W. MASSEY .. .. 7
†DAVID T. H. ROBERTSON .. .. 4	RONALD N. MARLOW .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. MARTIN.

Conducted by GEORGE W. MASSEY.

\* First peal of Major. † First in the method. First in the method on the bells.

For Evensong.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Nicholas, Nuneaton, Warwickshire.

## A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in E.

*JUDY A. SUFFOLK .. .. Treble	JAMES DRAYCOTT .. .. 5
*MRS. JILL BELCHER .. .. 2	†K. PAUL GILLIVER .. .. 6
†BRIAN L. BURROWS .. .. 3	†AUBREY G. EVELEIGH .. .. 7
†CHRISTOPHER M. STURGESS .. .. 4	†MICHAEL E. BROWN .. .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES NICHOLL.

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

\* First peal on eight. † First of Kent Major. ‡ First of Major.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Wilfred, Kibworth Beauchamp, Leicestershire.

## A PEAL OF 5152 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

C. Middleton's.	Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb.
EDWARD WHITEHEAD .. Treble	ROLAND H. COOK .. .. 5
WILLIAM A. LACEY .. .. 2	A. MAXWELL LINDSEY .. .. 6
GEOFFREY M. BREWIN .. .. 3	ALAN E. HARTLEY .. .. 7
J. BARRY PICKUP .. .. 4	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. .. Tenor

Rung silent and unconduted.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes.

At the Cathedral Church of the Holy and Undivided Trinity, Bristol.

## A PEAL OF 5056 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 1 lb. in E flat.

TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. .. Treble	ERIC J. HITCHENS .. .. 5
WILFRED WILLIAMS .. .. 2	F. JOHN NELSON .. .. 6
KENNETH J. HESKETH .. .. 3	JOHN S. MASON .. .. 7
DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. .. 4	REV. ROGER O. FRY .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 3 Hours.

At the Church of All Saints, Sherburn-in-Elmet, Yorkshire.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt.

JAMES THORLEY .. .. Treble	ALAN SHEPPARD .. .. 5
*MELVYN A. ROSE .. .. 2	*JOHN F. UNDERWOOD .. .. 6
JOHN POTTS .. .. 3	KENNETH B. SISSONS .. .. 7
J. MARTIN THORLEY .. .. 4	LESLIE M. WOODHEAD .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. BURTON.

Conducted by LESLIE M. WOODHEAD.

\* 25th peal together.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 5 Hours and 12 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Thomas, Heptonstall, Yorkshire.

## A PEAL OF 9120 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt.

ROGER J. LUMLEY .. .. Treble	A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. .. 5
GEOFFREY N. GOODALL .. .. 2	BARRY SULLIVAN .. .. 6
RICHARD A. SHEKELTON .. .. 3	LEONARD GOODALL .. .. 7
PETER KIRKBY .. .. 4	EDWARD JENKINS .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. LOCKWOOD.

Conducted by LEONARD GOODALL.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

At the Church of All Saints, Pontefract, Yorkshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb.

JAMES THORLEY .. .. Treble	ALAN SHEPPARD .. .. 5
*MELVYN A. ROSE .. .. 2	*JOHN F. UNDERWOOD .. .. 6
DAVID ATKINS .. .. 3	*KENNETH B. SISSONS .. .. 7
*JOHN POTTS .. .. 4	J. MARTIN THORLEY .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. ROYLE.

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

\* First peal in the method.

A birthday compliment to Mrs. J. Martin Thorley.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., May 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

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

## A PEAL OF 5120 WORCESTERSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F.

ALAN MCFALL .. .. Treble	CAROL FERNLEY .. .. 5
WILLIAM H. DOWSE .. .. 2	ROBERT J. WARRILLOW .. .. 6
KATHLEEN PILSBURY .. .. 3	BASIL JONES .. .. 7
DEREK YATES .. .. 4	ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

Conducted by BASIL JONES.

First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Guild.

On Wed., May 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

At the Church of All Saints, Lawton, Cheshire.

## A PEAL OF 5056 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In two methods: 2,880 Yorkshire and 2,176 Cambridge; with 90 changes of method.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

*PAUL J. ATKINS .. .. Treble	*RICHARD WHARTON .. .. 5
*NORMAN SHERRATT .. .. 2	*BARRY CORBISHLEY .. .. 6
*HAROLD DOWLER .. .. 3	*ROY WORRALL .. .. 7
*WALTER SHERRATT .. .. 4	IVOR R. NICHOLS .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by IVOR R. NICHOLS.

\* First peal of Spiced. First of Spiced as conductor. First of Spiced on the bells.

For the induction of the Rev. T. W. Tate (rector).

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., May 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Ebbe, Oxford.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 4½ cwt.

*A. JAMES ADAMS .. .. Treble	*FREDERICK W. SODEN .. .. 5
*PETER J. HERITAGE .. .. 2	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 6
ALAN R. PINK .. .. 3	CHARLES COLES .. .. 7
JOE E. G. ROAST .. .. 4	*EDWARD R. VENN .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. BARTON.

Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

\* First peal in the method. 400th peal as conductor.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Andrew, Kingham, Oxford.

## A PEAL OF 5056 ASPENDEN SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.

ERNEST G. JONES .. .. Treble	ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. 5
BRIAN BLADON .. .. 2	CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. .. 6
VICTOR GRIFFIN .. .. 3	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. 7
EDWARD R. VENN .. .. 4	GORDON W. LAND .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON.

Conducted by GORDON W. LAND.

First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Andrew, Cotton, Suffolk.

## A PEAL OF 5056 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

THOMAS W. LOCKWOOD .. Treble	HARRY D. LISTER .. .. 5
GEORGE E. SYMONDS .. .. 2	RAYMOND F. TAYLOR .. .. 6
ROBERT E. LESTER .. .. 3	*ROGER L. K. WHITTELL .. .. 7
KEITH W. WHITTELL .. .. 4	RONALD W. STEWARD .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY (No. 3a).

Conducted by HARRY D. LISTER.

\* First peal of Kent T.B. Major.

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr.



## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., April 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. Wilfrid, Calverley, Yorkshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In two methods, being one extent of Kent T.B. and six of Plain Bob.  
Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb. in G.

*SILWART ROBERTS .. .. Treble	ROGER J. LUMLEY .. .. 4
†OLIVIA A. MARSHALL .. .. 2	ROGER WADDINGTON .. .. 5
WILFRED LEE .. .. 3	PETER M. DAWSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER M. DAWSON.

\* First peal. † First of Minor.

Rung by members of the local company.

On Thurs., May 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Oswald, Collingham, Yorkshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 7½ cwt. in B flat.  
\*M. D. WRIGGLESWORTH .. Treble | GEORGE SMITH .. .. 4  
H. DAVID HOLLAND .. .. 2 | CHARLES H. MAXFIELD .. 5  
CYRIL F. SUTCLIFFE .. .. 3 | JOHN M. GOW .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN M. GOW.

\* First peal.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Nicholas, Bradfield, Yorkshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb. in F sharp.  
ANDREW KING .. .. Treble | \*DAVID E. ARCHER .. .. 4  
MICHAEL KING .. .. 2 | JOHN E. CHAPMAN .. .. 5  
EDWIN P. KING .. .. 3 | MICHAEL R. MEADOWS .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL R. MEADOWS.

\* First peal of Minor 'inside.' Fastest peal on the bells.

On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

At the Church of All Saints, Belton, Lincolnshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Single Oxford, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

ROGER D. BAILEY .. .. Treble	MELVYN A. ROSE .. .. 4
DEREK J. JONES .. .. 2	KEITH R. DAVEY .. .. 5
J. MARTIN THORLEY .. .. 3	ALAN G. PAYNE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

150th peal as conductor.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Peter, Navenby, Lincolnshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Single Court, Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob, Single Oxford, Kent Treble Bob, Plain Bob. Tenor 13½ cwt.

FREDK. J. JACKSON .. .. Treble	JOHN F. PEARSON .. .. 4
*GAEL BROWN .. .. 2	WILLIAM R. PARKER .. .. 5
*ROGER A. SMITH .. .. 3	JOHN E. COOK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN E. COOK.

\* First peal in seven methods.

## THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Bridget, St. Bride's Major, Glamorgan.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being two extents Plain Bob, and two 240's and 36 extents of Grand-sire. Tenor 11 cwt.

*D. R. LYNN JONES .. .. Treble	ARTHUR W. THOMAS .. .. 4
ALANA J. THOMAS .. .. 2	WILLIAM T. PETTY .. .. 5
D. WALFORD DAVIES .. .. 3	HAROLD PREECE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM T. PETTY.

\* First peal.

Rung in memoriam Mrs. E. M. Jones, mother of the ringer of the treble.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

At the Church of St. James, Taxal, Derbyshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven extents, called differently. Tenor 11 cwt. 23 lb.

HAROLD C. LONYON .. .. Treble	FRANK OSBALDISTON .. .. 4
ANNE P. SMITH .. .. 2	WILLIAM H. DOWSE .. .. 5
DEREK YATES .. .. 3	ALAN MCFALL .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN MCFALL.

A birthday compliment to Mr. Basil Jones.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., May 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary, Gayton, Northamptonshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lb.

RONALD RUSSELL .. .. Treble	ROGER W. SMITH .. .. 4
ALAN A. PAUL .. .. 2	GEORGE F. ROOME .. .. 5
GRAHAM C. PAUL .. .. 3	CHARLES E. TRUMAN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GRAHAM C. PAUL.

First peal in the method on the bells, and for all the band except tenor ringer.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Helen, Brant Broughton, Lincolnshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 28 extents (ten callings), five Price's 240's and two Morris' 240's. Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb.

PHILIP C. PITCHFORD .. Treble	HAROLD STEVENSON .. .. 4
J. EDWARD BROWN .. .. 2	JAMES A. MUSSON .. .. 5
CLARENCE F. BRIGGS .. .. 3	FREDERICK G. HOOPER .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.

A wedding compliment to Miss Jill E. Richardson and Mr. Colin S. Jackson, ringers at this church.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

At the Church of All Saints, Nocton, Lincolnshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Double Oxford, (3) St. Clement's, (4) Kent Treble Bob, (5) Oxford Treble Bob, (6) Single Court, (7) Single Oxford. Tenor 8½ cwt.

G. ANGUS DIXON .. .. Treble	CHARLES V. CADE .. .. 4
LEONARD THOMPSON .. .. 2	W. ROBERT PARKER .. .. 5
W. STANLEY SMITH .. .. 3	LOUIS WILLDERS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by G. ANGUS DIXON.

A Whitsuntide peal.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

At the Church of All Saints, Branston, Lincolnshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents, viz.: (1) Double Court, (2) Cambridge Surprise, (3) Single Oxford, (4) Oxford T.B., (5) Single Court, (6) Kent T.B., (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb. in F sharp.

WILLIAM E. GREEN .. .. Treble	PHILIP C. PITCHFORD .. 4
GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. 2	*WALTER TOMLINSON .. .. 5
AMOS INGALL .. .. 3	LOUIS WILLDERS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by LOUIS WILLDERS.

\* 200th peal.

Rung for the wedding of Mr. Carl Freeman to Miss Elizabeth Ann Priestley, ten years a chorister at this church.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Denis, Silk Willoughby, Lincolnshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents, each called differently (110 singles, 50 hobs). Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb.

ANNE E. BATESON .. .. Treble	FREDERICK E. DERRY .. .. 4
J. EDWARD BROWN .. .. 2	CLARENCE F. BRIGGS .. .. 5
RICHARD A. HUNT .. .. 3	JAMES H. MUSSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., May 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Edmund, Holme Pierrepont, Nottinghamshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in 45 methods, viz.: An extent each of Grandsire and Newborough, Norfolk, Reverse St. Bartholomew and Northrepps, Fortune, Rusal and All Saints, Marchington, St. Miles, Winchendon Place, St. Luke, St. John, Ryton, St. Crispin, St. Giles, St. Nicholas, St. Thomas, St. Andrew, Shareshill, St. Mary, St. Martin, St. Paul, St. Peter, St. Leonard, Austrey, St. Laurence, St. Simon, St. Albans, Cassington, Eynsham, Elford, St. Jude, Southrepps, Reverse Canterbury, St. Columb, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, St. David, Plain Bob, Kennington, Old, April Day, Seighford, Litchurch.

Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. in G sharp.

RUTH BLACKSHAW .. .. Treble	MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 4
ROBIN H. ROGERS .. .. 2	GEORGE A. DAWSON .. .. 5
WILLIAM L. EXTON .. .. 3	C. RAYMOND LARKIN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBIN H. ROGERS.

Most methods to a peal by all the band, in the county, and for the Guild.

Rung in honour of the enthronement of the Bishop of Southwell, the Rt. Rev. Gordon Savage.

On Thurs., May 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Edmund, Holme Pierrepont, Nottinghamshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being five 240's (Morris) and 32 120's. Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr.

JANE DOWSE .. .. Treble	MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 4
*C. RAYMOND LARKIN .. .. 2	JOHN R. PRATCHETT .. .. 5
RUTH BLACKSHAW .. .. 3	GEORGE A. DAWSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. PRATCHETT.

\* First peal of Grandsire Doubles.

Birthday compliments to Lady Sibill Argles and Mrs. E. E. Blackshaw.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

At the Church of Our Lady and St. Nicholas, Liverpool, Lancashire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one 720 Kent and Oxford T.B., two extents each Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and Cambridge Surprise.

JACK N. BROWN .. .. Treble	TERENCE FITZGERALD .. .. 4
THOMAS W. HESKEITH .. .. 2	EDWIN C. BIRKETT .. .. 5
FREDERICK PEARSON .. .. 3	JOSEPH RIDYARD .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH RIDYARD.

Rung on the middle six as a farewell to the Rector, Canon G. C. C. Pepys, and on his appointment as Bishop of Buckingham.



## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.  
At the Church of All Saints, All Cannings, Wiltshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (ten callings). Tenor 15 cwt.  
K. BARRY OSBORNE .. .. Treble | COLIN C. HILLIER .. .. 3  
PAMELA A. OSBORNE .. .. 2 | \*WILLIAM T. ALEXANDER .. .. 4  
DERRICK P. BAILEY .. .. Tenor  
Conducted by DERRICK P. BAILEY.

\* First peal 'inside.' First on five bells by all the band. First peal on the bells since 1931.

On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.  
At the Church of the Holy Cross, Seend, Wiltshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 14 cwt.  
\*K. BARRY OSBORNE .. .. Treble | DENNIS POWNEY .. .. 4  
\*PAMELA A. OSBORNE .. .. 2 | \*SAMUEL A. COTTLE .. .. 5  
\*COLIN C. HILLIER .. .. 3 | \*DERRICK P. BAILEY .. .. Tenor  
Conducted by DERRICK P. BAILEY.

\* First peal of Minor.

On Sun., May 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, Mildenhall, Wiltshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED TREBLE BOB MINOR

Consisting of 27 methods, in the following seven extents: (1) Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury and Ockley T.B.; (2) Sandal, London Scholars, Kingston, Capel and Oxford T.B.; (3) St. Albans, Neasden, Wragby and Charlwood Delight; (4) Old Oxford, College Bob IV, Willesden and Newdigate Delight; (5) Oswald, Edinburgh and Kentish Delight; (6) Surfleet, Hexham, Berwick, Beverley, York and Durham Surprise; (7) Cambridge, Beverley and Surfleet Surprise; with 97 changes of method. Tenor 7 cwt. 26 lb.

CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. Treble | BRIAN BLADON .. .. 4  
\*EDWARD R. VENN .. .. 2 | \*ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. 5  
ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. 3 | GORDON W. LAND .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

\* Most methods to a peal.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Dinder, Somerset.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (ten callings). Tenor 12 cwt.  
MARJORIE LEGG .. .. Treble | MRS. L. CROCKER .. .. 4  
\*AUDREY SHORT .. .. 2 | BRENDA BOYCE .. .. 5  
\*RUTH E. BEVAN .. .. 3 | SHEILA HALLETT .. .. Tenor  
Conducted by MARJORIE LEGG.

\* First peal of Grandsire Doubles. First peal by all ladies for the Association.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. Martin, Fivehead, Somerset.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 14 cwt.  
FREDERICK WELCH .. .. Treble | GILBERT W. RENDELL .. .. 4  
REGINALD BEALE .. .. 2 | ALBERT W. DYER .. .. 5  
DEREK S. BEAUFOY .. .. 3 | WILLIAM E. TURNER .. .. Tenor  
Conducted by WILLIAM E. TURNER.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., May 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, West Wickham, Kent.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In six methods, being two extents Cambridge Surprise and one each Oxford Treble Bob, Single Oxford, Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt. in F sharp.  
MARGARET GODFREY .. Treble | IAN H. ORAM .. .. 4  
TONY LEWIS .. .. 2 | D. PAUL SMITH .. .. 5  
KATHARINE M. GUY .. .. 3 | ANDREW M. MACVE .. .. Tenor  
Conducted by IAN H. ORAM.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam Frederick Lewis, father of the ring of the second.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., May 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, Preston Candover, Hampshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Fifth observation. Tenor 3 cwt. 27 lb.  
CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH .. Treble | FRANK R. TONGE .. .. 4  
GEOFFREY K. DODD .. .. 2 | \*ALBERT H. GREEN .. .. 5  
PENELOPE A. GODDARD .. .. 3 | \*JOHN W. CHENEY .. .. Tenor  
Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.

\* First peal.

A birthday compliment to Mrs. Sylvia Dodd, wife of the conductor.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wed., May 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. Mary, Rodbourne Cheney, Swindon, Wiltshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents (C.C.C. Nos. 1, 2, 7, 8, 10, 21 and 23). Tenor 8 cwt. 7 lb.  
ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. Treble | E. WILLIAM FORD .. .. 4  
\*JOCELYN M. HILLIER .. .. 2 | MICHAEL J. STANLEY .. .. 5  
\*JANIS E. ALLEN .. .. 3 | BRIAN BLADON .. .. Tenor  
Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

\* First peal.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., May 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. Peter, Peterchurch, Herefordshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb.  
\*P. DIANE MORGAN .. Treble | COLIN SMITH .. .. 4  
MICHAEL V. POWELL .. .. 2 | REGINALD G. POWELL .. .. 5  
CHARLES PHILLIPS .. .. 3 | PHILIP G. MORGAN .. .. Tenor  
Conducted by PHILIP G. MORGAN.

\* First peal of Minor.

A 21st birthday compliment to Michael V. Powell.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.  
At the Church of St. James, Oaks-in-Charnwood, Leicestershire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In two methods, being one extent of Single Oxford and six of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb.  
\*MARY H. BARRASS .. Treble | †MICHAEL J. ROBERTS .. .. 4  
†STEPHEN HALL .. .. 2 | C. WILLIAM HALL .. .. 5  
DAN S. PONT .. .. 3 | REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE Tenor  
Conducted by REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE.

\* First peal. † First in two methods.

## NON-ASSOCIATION PEALS

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.  
At the Church of All Saints, Chrishall, Essex.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in 15 methods: (1) Cambridge, Beverley and Surfleet; (2) Oxford T.B., (3) Kent T.B., (4) Single Oxford, (5) D. Oxford, Thelwall and Pinehurst; (6) St. Clement's, Childwall and Buxton; (7) Plain, Double and Fulbeck. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in A flat.  
DAVID R. SAUNDERS .. Treble | BRIAN B. HULLAH .. .. 4  
A. TREVOR HAWKINS .. .. 2 | ALAN M. BARBER .. .. 5  
NEVILLE F. WHITTELL .. .. 3 | GILES B. THOMPSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN M. BARBER.

First peal in 15 methods for all the band.

On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.  
At the Church of All Saints, Longstanton, Cambridgeshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in 13 methods: (1) Cambridge, Beverley and Surfleet; (2) Cambridge and Ipswich, (3) Oxford T.B., (4) Kent T.B., (5) S. Oxford B., (6) D. Oxford, Thelwall, St. Clement's and Childwall; (7) Plain and Double. Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in A flat.  
A. TREVOR HAWKINS .. Treble | GILES B. THOMPSON .. .. 4  
NEVILLE F. WHITTELL .. .. 2 | ALAN M. BARBER .. .. 5  
BRIAN B. HULLAH .. .. 3 | DAVID R. SAUNDERS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN M. BARBER.

A birthday compliment to Audrey R. Alexander.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., May 1, 1964, in 1 Hour and 50 Minutes.  
At Wayside Cottage, Wheathampstead, Hertfordshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Reverse Bob and Double Bob, and five of Plain Bob. Tenor size 15 in C.  
\*SHEILA BROWN .. .. 1-2 | GERALD PENNEY .. .. 3-4  
\*ROGER D. R. BROWN .. .. 5-6  
Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.  
\* First handbell peal in three methods.

On Sun., May 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes.  
In the School, Leverstock Green, Hertfordshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 16½ in B flat.  
\*SHEILA BROWN .. .. 1-2 | GERALD PENNEY .. .. 5-6  
JULIA A. FELLOWS .. .. 3-4 | WALTER AYRE (Cond.) .. .. 7-8  
\* First peal of Major.  
To celebrate the birth of a daughter to H.R.H. Princess Margaret.

On Wed., May 6, 1964, in 2 Hours.  
At Flat 1, Rectory Road, Rickmansworth, Hertfordshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor size 13 in E.  
MICHAEL HATCHETT .. .. 1-2 | A. TREVOR HAWKINS .. .. 3-4  
GILES B. THOMPSON (Cond.) .. .. 5-6  
Rung on the tenth anniversary of the breaking of the four-minute mile.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Mon., May 11, 1964, in 1 Hour and 45 Minutes.  
At Sunnyside, Newport Road, Gnosall, Staffordshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

IAN FRIEND .. .. 1-2 | BARNABAS G. KEY (Cond.) .. .. 3-4  
E. MARION KEY .. .. 5-6



**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Wed., May 6, 1964, in 1 Hour and 58 Minutes,  
At 17, Queen Street, St. Albans, Hertfordshire.

**A PEAL OF 5088 ST. CLEMENT'S BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 11 in G.

\*GERALD PENNEY .. 1-2 | †JOEYFEE DODDS .. 5-6  
\*MARTYN L. J. JORDAN .. 3-4 | †JOYCE DODDS .. 7-8  
Composed by H. W. WILDE. Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.  
\* First peal in the method. † First in the method on handbells.

**THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Thurs., April 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 5 Minutes,  
At 20, Edward Avenue, Bishopstoke, Hampshire.

**A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 17 in A.

GEOFFREY R. CRISP .. 1-2 | DAVID J. FORDER .. 5-6  
MARGARET CHAPMAN .. 3-4 | TOM CHAPMAN .. 7-8  
Composed and Conducted by TOM CHAPMAN.

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Sun., May 3, 1964, in 2 Hours,  
At 128, Leicester Road, Hinckley, Leicestershire.

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor size 15 in C.

\*JOHN A. ACRES .. 1-2 | ALFRED BALLARD .. 5-6  
JOHN M. JELLEY .. 3-4 | ROBERT B. SMITH .. 7-8  
Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by ROBERT B. SMITH.  
\* 700th peal for the Guild.

**THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Tues., May 5, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes,  
At 84, Coventry Road, Exhall, Warwickshire.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents. Tenor size 15 in C.

\*DAVID J. ALLEN .. 1-2 | ††PETER S. BENNETT .. 3-4  
†IAN C. MAYCOCK (Cond.) 5-6  
\* First peal 'in hand.' † First of Minor 'in hand.' †† 100th peal.

**THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Sun., May 10, 1964, in 1 Hour and 40 Minutes,  
At 9, Netherfields Crescent, Dronfield, Derbyshire.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent each of Oxford and Double Bob and five Plain Bob.

Tenor size 11 in G.

GEOFFREY N. GOODALL .. 1-2 | IAN M. HOLLAND .. 3-4  
LEONARD GOODALL (Cond.) 5-6

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION & LONDON DIO. GUILD.**

On Thurs., May 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,  
At 170, Headstone Lane, Harrow, Middlesex.

**A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In 16 methods, comprising 320 each of Bristol, Cambridge, Ealing, Eastcote, Elford, Leatherhead, Lincolnshire, Lindum, London, Pudsey, Rutland, Superlative, Uxbridge, Watford, Wembley and Yorkshire; with 134 changes of method.

Tenor size 15 in C.

\*S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN 1-2 | \*ROGER BALDWIN .. 5-6  
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY 3-4 | †JOHN R. MAYNE .. 7-8  
Composed and Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of 16-Spliced Surprise Major. † First of 16-Spliced on handbells. First of 16-Spliced on handbells for the Association.

**THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

All rung at Mor-Awelon, Lon Derw, Tycoch, Swansea, Glamorgan.

On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 1 Hour and 47 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MINOR**

Being seven different extents of Plain and Double Plain Bob: 73 changes of method.

Tenor size 14 in D.

HAZEL WAY .. 1-2 | BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE (Cond.) 3-4  
J. ARTHUR HOARE .. 5-6

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 4 Hours and 40 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 10192 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 18 in G.

HAZEL WAY .. 1-2 | J. ARTHUR HOARE .. 5-6  
BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 3-4 | EDMUND J. MORRIS .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

The longest peal for the Guild, and by all except the conductor.

On Sun., May 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 2 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 ST. CLEMENT'S COLLEGE BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

HAZEL WAY .. 1-2 | BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE (Cond.) 3-4  
J. ARTHUR HOARE .. 5-6

First peal in the method for the Guild.

**NON-ASSOCIATION.**

On Sun., May 17, 1964, in 1 Hour and 50 Minutes.

In the Belfry of the Church of St. Mary, Over, Cambridgeshire.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor size 13 in E.

BRIAN B. HULLAH .. 1-2 | A. TREVOR HAWKINS .. 3-4  
GILES B. THOMPSON (Cond.) 5-6

## QUARTER PEALS

**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—On May 24th, 1,440 Norwich Surprise Minor: R. Rayfield 1, Carol Cousins 2, Margaret C. Godfrey 3, E. G. H. Godfrey 4, A. M. Macve (cond.) 5, C. H. Macve 6.

**BANGOR, CAERNS.**—At St. David's Glanadda, on May 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Nancy L. C. Carter 1, Dorothy M. Evans 2, I. Tilling 3, J. G. Pusey (cond.) 4, D. R. Marshall 5, D. Window 6. For evening service, and as a welcome to Richard Allan Jeffrey Marshall, born April 21st.

**BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss M. Wingrove 1, H. Wingrove (cond.) 2, Miss G. Reeves 3, D. Knox 4, D. Francis 5, S. Bailey 6, A. Bridges 7, H. J. Wingrove (first quarter) 8.

**CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.**—On May 26th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: J. McDonald 1, P. Wilkinson 2, J. Carrott 3, Miss J. Peacock 4, M. Bland 5, F. V. Gant (cond.) 6, J. Fowler 7, A. Grainger 8, A. J. Salisbury 9, R. Mallett 10. For jubilee celebrations of Chelmsford Diocese.

**CHERITON, FOLKESTONE, KENT.**—On April 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Elizabeth O'Grady 1, Mary Munt 2, Heather Eastmead 3, W. Chandler 4, A. Eastmead (first as cond.) 5, S. Eastmead 6. First quarter for 3 and 6. Rung in honour of the visit of the Archbishop of Canterbury on Sunday, April 26th, to dedicate the restored tower and new ringing chamber. Also on May 2nd, 1,330 Grandsire Doubles: J. Woodward 1, Mary Munt 2, Dyls Eastmead 3, W. Chandler 4, A. Eastmead (cond.) 5, D. Corner 6. First quarter for 1 and 3. Rung as a compliment to the Rector and Mrs. Munt, on the birth of their first baby, Helen Dorothy.

**EWELL, SURREY.**—On May 17th, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Mrs. C. W. Munday 1, P. J. Munday 2, D. A. Carpenter 3, S. J. Philbrick 4, R. C. Spittle 5, A. S. Besant 6, J. E. Beams 7, C. W. Munday (cond.) 8. First in method 1, 2, 6 and 7. For Whit Sunday Evensong.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On May 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Nelson 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, Myrtle Cook 3, H. P. Yates 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, R. P. Brotherton 6. For Evensong.

**MANSFIELD, NOTTS.**—On April 26th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. Robinson 1, J. Adcock 2, Mrs. F. Adcock 3, W. F. Adcock 4, Mrs. J. Robinson 5, F. Adcock 6, S. W. Fossey (cond.) 7, S. E. Denby (first quarter on 8) 8. For Evensong.

**OTTERSHAW, SURREY.**—On May 16th, 1,260 Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles: Linda Pashley 1, C. K. Hill 2, R. Pashley 3, D. G. Wright 4, R. Collins (cond.) 5, H. Kingston 6. For the centenary of the church.

**OXFORD.**—On May 24th, at the Church of St. Thomas the Martyr, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. M. Preston 1, J. W. Thorp 2, P. H. B. Harris 3, M. R. Ashmore 4, B. Wakefield (cond.) 5, Alice M. Baldwin 6. Also at New College, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: F. J. Nelson 1, Hilary F. Pardoe 2, J. S. Rank 3, J. W. Thorp 4, P. Cattermole 5, M. D. Atfield 6, J. E. Camp (cond.) 7, Christine C. Macnair 8, P. A. Sharp 9, G. R. Mordaunt 10.

**PENISTONE, YORKS.**—On May 21st, 1,280 Kent T.B. Major: Susan Peace 1, A. Dunn-Birch 2, W. Garbutt 3, C. A. Moxon 4, G. Hancock 5, P. Carbutt 6, N. F. Moxon (cond.) 7, H. Mann 8. For the church exhibition.

**PENKRIDGE, STAFFS.**—On May 23rd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: R. J. Warrilow 1, Marlene Townsend 2, I. Friend 3, J. D. Holden 4, R. K. Mowforth 5, E. E. Speake 6, E. Malin (cond.) 7, F. Beech 8. A wedding compliment to Frank Beech and Jennifer Winship.

**RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.**—On May 24th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: D. Belcham 1, Miss B. Harris 2, G. Blower 3, F. May 4, E. Blower 5, H. Heath 6, M. Hallett 7, A. House (cond.) 8. For Patronal Festival.

**ST. MARY CRAY, KENT.**—On May 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: S. Rees 1, Katharine Guy 2, Margaret Godfrey 3, Barbara Leigh 4, P. Braund 5, P. G. Erith (cond.) 6.

**SIBSEY, Lincs.**—On May 16th, 1,408 St. Clement's Bob Major: T. Cummins 1, R. D. Bailey (comp. and cond.) 2, P. H. Reynolds 3, A. E. Flatters 4, D. J. Jones 5, K. R. Davey 6, H. Barsley 7, A. G. Payne 8. A peal attempt called round.

**SILSOE, BEDS.**—On Ascension Day, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): D. A. Eddy (14 years) 1, H. Mann 2, A. G. Harris (13 years) 3, T. R. Harris (14 years, cond.) 4, P. J. Ashby 5, P. J. Lawton 6. For Evensong.

**SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.**—On May 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (tenor covering): Celia Chandler 1, Susan Moxon 2, Olive Moxon 3, A. Parsons 4, Grace Burchall (cond.) 5, Katharine Burchall 6, H. Hawcroft 7. For Confirmation service.

**TAUNTON, SOMERSET.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (1 and 2 covering): Susan Rattenbury 1, Jennifer Searle 2, J. Drowley 3, T. Spearing 4, Catherine Harewood 5, Jennifer Lunn 6, D. Beale (first as cond.) 7, J. Trembath 8. First quarter 1, 2, 3 and 5. For Evensong.

**TUNSTALL, KENT.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Miss M. Beaumont 1, Miss M. Mallinson 2, P. C. Carpenter 3, N. F. Bearne 4, T. Barton (first as cond.) 5, P. Lynas (first quarter) 6. For Evensong.

**WALLINGTON, HERTS.**—On May 14th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss P. Hannah 1, T. R. Hatchett (cond.) 2, Mrs. A. Worboys 3, D. Haggart (first quarter) 4, R. Sheldrick (first 'inside') 5, C. Worboys 6. A birthday compliment to the ringers of the 5th.

**WARNHAM, SUSSEX.**—On May 10th, 1,680 Doubles (seven methods): P. Miles 1, I. Gocher 2, D. Mullins 3, M. Turner 4, D. Smith (cond.) 5, T. Latham 6. For Evensong and the baptism of Kay Elizabeth, daughter of George and Vivian Francis.

**WENTWORTH, YORKS.**—On May 10th, 1,320 Doubles (five methods): Margaret Bunting 1, Elizabeth Cherry 2, M. A. Beaumont 3, D. E. Archer 4, A. King (cond.) 5, D. Hunton 6. For Evensong and birthday compliments to 1 and 6.

**WHICKHAM, CO. DURHAM.**—On April 28th, 1,380 Doubles (five methods): Miss P. Cockburn 1, J. Crowther 2, S. Thompson 3, W. Davidson 4, M. Maughan (cond.) 5. For Evensong.

**WITHAM, ESSEX.**—On May 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss W. Mellin 1, B. Crook 2, J. Warner 3, A. Piggott 4, T. Monk 5, W. S. Butler 6, E. W. Bright (cond.) 7, R. Dorking 8. Also on May 10th, 1,344 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Miss W. Mellin 1, J. Warner 2, B. Crook 3, A. Piggott 4, T. Monk 5, W. S. Butler (cond.) 6, E. W. Bright 7, H. Dorking 8. For morning service.

**WITNEY, OXON.**—On May 7th, 1,280 Bob Major: D. Kay Adkins 1, L. Oliffe 2, J. List 3, T. Hester 4, D. J. Smith 5, W. Clarke 6, P. Beedie (cond.) 7, B. J. Coggins 8. For Ascension Evensong.



# QUARTER PEALS

**ADELAIDE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA.**—At the Town Hall, on May 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Monica Collins 1, F. N. Smeaton 2, W. B. Pitcher (cond.) 3, R. K. Russ 4, D. J. Bleby 5, B. R. Cox 6. Believed to be the first quarter peal on the bells (cast 1865 by Warner). For Commonwealth Youth Sunday.

**ALDBOURNE, WILTS.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): J. Cuss 1, H. Craig 2, A. Palmer 3, A. Keen 4, F. Read (cond.) 5, L. Foote 6. For Evensong.

**BARNSELEY, YORKS.**—On May 12th, 1,376 Plain Bob Major: A. Dunn-Birch 1, Elizabeth Peace (first Major) 2, Susan Peace (first in method) 3, C. Moxon (first Major) 4, P. Carbutt 5, N. Moxon 6, E. Stainrod 7, F. J. Jackson (cond.) 8.

**BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss L. Doone 1, W. R. Chandler 2, Miss H. Copperthwaite 3, R. J. Brown (cond.) 4, Miss B. Fisher (50th quarter) 5. For Matins.

**BRAY, BERKS.**—On May 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (treble leading): Cora Eldridge 1, R. A. Blewitt 3, E. E. Gosling 4, G. R. Sheddens 5, A. J. Glass 6, Doreen Hague (cond.) 7, J. E. Norsworthy 8. Rung open for the memorial service to the late Lord Fairfax of Cameron.

**BREDWARDINE, HEREFORDS.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): A. Greenhill (first quarter) 1, Mrs. M. J. Hope 2, E. Smith 3, C. A. Lewis 4, J. W. Hope (cond.) 5, P. Watkins 6.

**BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.**—At St. Peter's Church, on May 24th, 1,296 Grandsire Caters: Miss J. Kipling (first quarter) 1, A. W. Bond (cond.) 2, Miss P. Taylor 3, Miss J. Warner 4, Miss A. Wright 5, Miss A. Grainger 6, M. J. Bew (first of Caters) 7, D. P. Snowsall (first of 'Caters' inside) 8, B. J. Stone 9, B. G. North 10. For Evensong.

**BURITON, HANTS.**—On May 23rd, 1,320 London Surprise Minor: K. Sansom 3, Pamela Gough 2, Valerie Mepham 3, B. Walton 4, D. Hughes 5, A. Bishop (first of London as cond.) 6. First of London Minor 3, 4 and 5.

**CHALFONT ST. PETER, BUCKS.**—On May 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Anne Dubarry 1, S. Lilly 2, Mrs. E. G. Swift 3, M. G. Swift 4, E. G. Swift (cond.) 5, G. B. Thompson 6. To welcome the new Bishop of Buckingham.

**CHIPSTABLE SOMERSET.**—On May 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: M. Purchase (first quarter) 1, G. Sparks 2, S. Bristow 3, S. Smith 4, E. Quicke (cond.) 5, H. Purchase 6.

**CLAPHAM PARK, LONDON.**—On May 24th, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: A. Clayton 1, R. Cooles (first of Surprise Minor 'inside') 2, A. Smith 3, R. Humphries 4, J. Fisel (cond.) 5, A. Bishop 6. A.M.D.G.

**CLEDON, SOMERSET.**—On May 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Rice 1, Marjorie Legg (cond.) 2, L. Dertick 3, S. Smith 4, G. Gay 5, W. Rice 6, G. Prescott 7, H. Hardwidge 8.

**COWBRIDGE, GLAM.**—On May 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Elizabeth Thomas 1, H. Blick 2, Alana Thomas 3, A. W. Thomas 4, E. N. Thomas 5, P. M. Evans 6, G. H. Jones (cond.) 7, I. D. Davies 8. First of Triples on the bells by a local service hand. For Evensong, and for Joanna Mary Cobb, christened this day.

**DENHAM, BUCKS.**—On May 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (with 7, 6, 8 covering): A. R. Twinn 1, Ann Collins 2, Suzanne Udell 3, Mrs. E. G. Swift 4, B. C. Collins (cond.) 5, R. Rutherford (first quarter) 6, E. G. Swift 7, G. Harris 8. For Evensong to welcome the new Bishop of Buckingham.

**DEVIZES, WILTS.**—On May 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. Alexander 1, D. Stone 2, C. Smith 3, C. Hillier 4, B. Smith 5, G. Heath (cond.) 6.

**EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.**—At St. Mary's Church, on May 7th, 1,316 Grandsire Triples: P. Fox (first quarter) 1, Christine Fuller 2, T. M. Barlow 3, Rosemary Earl 4, H. Reynolds 5, W. J. Hayes 6, A. Baldock (cond.) 7, W. Binsted (first on eight bells) 8. For Ascension Day Evensong.

**EASTHAM, CHESHIRE.**—On May 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss M. B. Cropper (first quarter) 1, Miss G. Halford 2, R. E. D. Hamm 3, B. C. W. Jenks 4, R. W. Winstanley (cond.) 5, A. D. Price 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Rev J. Medir Lloyd.

**EDENBRIDGE, KENT.**—On Trinity Sunday, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. W. Evans 1, E. C. Leigh 2, J. M. Hollyman 3, E. J. Jenner 4, G. S. E. Winter 5, D. J. M. Cox 6, B. E. Jeffrey (cond.) 7, I. J. Fox 8. For Christian Aid Week service.

**EXMOUTH, DEVON.**—At 7, Bapton Lane, on May 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Elisabeth Bowden 1, Mary Mack 2, R. J. Bowden 3, G. R. Fyles 4, Ruby Fyles 5, F. D. Mack (cond.) 6. First quarter on the bells.

**FARINGDON, BERKS.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 cover): F. H. Whipp 1, Diana Wareham 2, C. I. J. Pearce (cond.) 3, C. R. Miles 4, J. Strawford 5, P. Moore 6, E. Carter 7, J. Pearce 8.

**FRESHFORD, SOMERSET.**—On May 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: B. Carter 1, C. Quartley 2, D. Nibbs 3, R. Quartley (cond.) 4, G. Carter 5.

**GORLESTON-ON-SEA, NORFOLK.**—On May 23rd, 1,440 Kent T.B. Minor (tenor covering): G. Howlett 1, J. McBride (first in method) 2, S. High 3, M. Stimson 4, G. Larier 5, W. Duncan 6, A. Crowe 7. Rung after meeting short for a peal.

**HERSHAM, SURREY.**—On May 23rd, 1,260 Minor (Grandsire, Plain Bob): J. Bailey 1, Miss G. Mooring 2, Miss J. Palmer 3, H. Colcombe 4, C. Webb 5, J. King (cond.) 6. For diocesan readers' admission service.

**HOLME-ON-SPALDING MOOR, YORKS.**—On May 21st, 1,280 Minor (St. Clement's, Plain and Little): C. L. D. Munday 1, D. P. B. Miles 2, Patricia M. Samuel 3, H. C. Palmer 4, P. Scrowston 5, R. D. Gibson (cond.) 6. First in three methods 1, 3, 4 and 5.

**ILMINSTER, SOMERSET.**—On May 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: S. Turner 1, T. Lock (cond.) 2, H. Turner (first 'inside' in method) 3, F. Welch 4, J. Cornelius (70th quarter) 5, R. Dean 6, Rev. C. J. B. Marshall 7, T. Hill 8. A birthday compliment to Mrs. Diana Gummer, now in Singapore.

**LONG SUTTON, SOMERSET.**—On May 21st, 1,440 London Surprise Minor: M. Stone 1, Audrey M. Short 2, K. Prime 3, Rev. C. J. B. Marshall 4, H. V. Young 5, R. D. Short (cond.) 6. First in the method for all except 5.

**KINGS LYNN, NORFOLK.**—On May 20th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: R. Newson 1, R. Greenacre 2, E. Shipp 3, R. Shipp 4, L. W. Houghton 5, C. V. Tovell 6, J. Wilson 7, Rev. Giles Galley (cond.) 8. Rung half-muffled in memorial Aid. J. H. Cateugh, chapel warden of St. Nicholas' for 33 years.

**KIRKBY-IN-ASHFIELD, NOTTS.**—1,260 Doubles (seven methods): M. J. Kirk (cond.) 1, Thelma E. Staples 2, E. A. Harrison 3, R. Harrison 4, J. A. Harrison 5. For Evensong.

**LITTLE ASTON, STAFFS.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Minor (Double Oxford and St. Clement's): S. Hinkiss 1, Miss D. K. Moore 2, Miss M. C. Smith 3, P. G. Golder 4, D. W. Barr 5, M. W. Faircy (cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to the ringer of 3.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes' on Whit Sunday, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. H. Worboys 1, Miss J. Peacock 2, A. Grainger 3, F. G. Richardson 4, P. Wilkinson 5, J. McPhail 6, F. V. Gant (cond.) 7, R. Mallett 8. For Matins. Also on May 24th, 1,260 Erin Triples: Sally Cobb 1, D. Ellison 2, R. Chapman 3, D. Cobb 4, D. Hewitt 5, R. Durrant 6, F. V. Gant (cond.) 7, P. D. Chapman 8. For Evensong.

**LOWER HEYFORD, OXON.**—On May 14th, 1,440 Minor (Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B.): E. G. Jones 1, Miss D. French 2, C. H. Kinch 3, L. A. Busby 4, C. C. Clarke 5, R. A. Reeves (cond.) 6.

**MARLOW, BUCKS.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss J. Tuffin 1, Miss J. Cook 2, Mrs. E. D. Poole 3, J. Young 4, R. Blackler 5, E. D. Poole (cond.) 6, L. J. Young 7, A. Boarder 8. A compliment to Rev. F. Horrox, to mark his 50 years' service as a Minister of the Congregational Church.

**MILLAND, SUSSEX.**—On May 23rd, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Lesley Read 1, Pamela Gough 2, K. Sansom 3, A. Bishop 4, Valerie Mepham (first of Surprise as cond.) 5, B. Walton 6.

**NEWARK-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.**—On May 21st, 1,302 Grandsire Triples: P. Raithby (first quarter) 1, Anne E. Bateson 2, F. G. Hooper (cond.) 3, A. E. Chilton 4, C. F. Briggs 5, H. Stevenson 6, J. W. Raithby 7, B. J. Blumner 8. Rung for the induction of the Mayor, Councillor W. K. Bickerstaffe.

**PETERSFIELD, HANTS.**—On May 23rd, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: K. Sansom 1, A. Bishop 2, Valerie Mepham 3, Pamela Gough 4, R. Corke 5, K. Tipper 6, B. Walton 7, D. Hughes (first of Major as cond.) 8.

**POUGHILL, CORNWALL.**—On May 22nd, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: E. J. Ladd 1, Mrs. F. E. Collins 2, H. Heard 3, H. Stacey 4, R. C. Stevens 5, F. E. Collins (cond.) 6. First of Kent Minor for 3 and 5.

**PRISTON, SOMERSET.**—On May 21st, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): D. C. Hawkins (first quarter) 1, Rosemary Smith 2, H. L. Parfrey 3, G. J. Hawkins (cond.) 4, R. E. G. Smith 5, A. F. Butt 6.

**PLYMOUTH, DEVON.**—At St. Andrew's Church on May 19th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Sylvia P. Sims 1, Yvonne C. Porter 2, H. H. Thomas 3, Margaret A. Bould 4, J. Perkins 5, S. F. O'Shaughnessy 6, F. E. Day (cond.) 7, H. W. Milford 8, D. R. Bould 9, H. F. Myers 10. Half-muffled for the memorial service for Nancy, Viscountess Astor.

**PUTNEY, LONDON.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Julie Armstrong (first on eight) 1, Margaret E. Fort 2, L. W. Allen 3, A. R. Millidge 4, C. F. Mew (cond.) 5, D. P. Murdock 6, P. Murdock 7, Christine M. Cobb 8. For Evensong. Also on May 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples (from Holt's Original): C. F. Mew (cond.) 1, L. W. Allen 2, Margaret E. Fort 3, Ruth Carr 4, A. R. Millidge 5, B. J. Bull 6, D. C. Brooks 7, B. H. Coatsworth 8. For Evensong on Trinity Sunday, and as a welcome to the two new deacons in the parish.

**ROWLEY REGIS, STAFFS.**—On May 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: I. Darby 1, Jean Chiswell 2, K. Chaiwin 3, A. Roberts 4, D. Chiswell (first as cond.) 5, G. Chiswell 6. Rung half-muffled for memorial service for Mr. George Bees, sexton and v.r.g. for nearly 40 years.

**SOUTHWARK, LONDON.**—At the Cathedral on March 15th, 1,303 Erin Cinques: W. D. Grainger 1, M. T. Sprackling 2, C. H. Rogers 3, Mrs. O. L. Rogers 4, D. P. Smith 5, L. W. Bullock 6, C. T. Richards 7, W. G. Wilson 8, C. M. Meyer 9, J. W. Smith 10, H. W. Rogers (cond.) 11, D. W. Struckett 12.

**SOUTHWELL, NOTTS.**—On May 9th, 1,253 Grandsire Cinques: G. E. Foster 1, Miss K. Burchall 2, Miss G. Burchall 3, Miss A. E. Bateson 4, B. M. Buswell 5, F. G. Hooper 6, W. L. Exton (cond.) 7, H. T. Rooke 8, R. A. G. Benfield 9, H. Stevenson 10, J. R. Pratchett 11, F. W. Midwinter 12. First on 12 for 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 12. First of Grandsire Cinques by all. For the enthronement of the Rt. Revd. G. R. Savage to the Bishopric of Southwell.

**THORLEY, HERTS.**—On May 23rd, 1,440 Kent T.B. Minor: Mrs. J. Warboys (first of Kent) 1, H. M. White 2, P. Warboys (cond.) 3, F. Bird 4, T. Camp 5, R. Hayden 6. A 75th birthday compliment to the ringer of 4.

**TONBRIDGE, KENT.**—On May 10th, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Sheila M. Dobbie 1, Hilary A. Swallow 2, Ann Jenner 3, J. C. Carpenter 4, G. Fry 5, W. Rogers 6, S. Jenner 7, W. H. Dobbie (cond.) 8. First in method 2 and 4.

**WALKINGTON, YORKS.**—On May 5th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: C. L. D. Munday 1, R. D. Gibson 2, C. C. Brown 3, H. C. Palmer (first in method) 4, D. P. B. Miles 5, I. G. Campbell (cond.) 6.

**WARMINSTER, WILTS.**—On May 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: L. Hawkins 1, P. Roynon 2, E. C. Shepherd (cond.) 3, A. Bull 4, V. Bull 5, E. Norris 6, N. Kne 7, T. Mallard 8.

**WESTON-SUPER-MARE, SOMERSET.**—On May 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Gay 1, Marjorie Legg (cond.) 2, D. Harris (first 'inside') 3, S. Lewis 4, G. Prescott 5, S. Smith 6, S. Powell 7, J. Baker 8.

**WHITSTONE, CORNWALL.**—On May 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Halford 1, B. G. D. Vince 2, H. Heard 3, E. J. Ladd (cond.) 4, H. Stacey 5, F. A. H. Wilkins 6. First of Minor 1 and 2.

**WOODFORD, ESSEX.**—On May 3rd, 1,272 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. Workman 1, K. A. Hughes 2, T. Sharp 3, A. Crowson 4, J. Laken 5, A. Faulkner (cond.) 6. First quarter 1 and 2. For morning service.

**WOOTON, BEDS.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,440 T.B. Minor (College Exercise, Woodbine): Miss J. Whiting 1, Miss M. F. Pettitt 2, Miss S. M. Law 3, S. J. Wooler 4, R. H. French 5, R. F. Law (cond.) 6. First of Treble Bob 1 and 4. Rung after dedication of memorial gifts to the late Mr. E. H. Smith, former churchwarden.

**WOOTTON WAWEN, WARWICKS.**—On April 7th, 1,260 St. Simon's Doubles: J. F. West 1, Jill Riley 2, A. J. Collins 3, P. S. Bennett (cond.) 4, D. Baker 5, J. Stockley 6. First in method by all the band. Rung to celebrate the engagement of Jean Morrison, of the local band.

**YORK.**—At the Minster, on May 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Maskill 1, Miss S. Thompson 2, Miss M. F. Wilkinson 3, D. Pearson 4, A. Carter 5, C. Barton 6, H. Walker (cond.) 7, C. J. Grooms 8. For Evensong.



## Peterborough Diocesan Guild now Led by a Lady

### HISTORIC ELECTION

The annual general meeting of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild was held on May 9th at Northampton. The large number of towers open for ringing during the day attracted numerous visitors and members from all eleven branches of the Guild.

The Guild Office was said by the president, Canon G. F. Turner, at the Church of St. Peter, Northampton, and the famous Norman nave was very nearly filled by the large congregation. Canon Boyd, Vicar of Pitsford, and himself a ringer, preached the sermon. The preacher said that he always judged a parish, particularly a village, by whether or not it had a keen team of ringers, and he found that if it had, then more often than not there was a live organisation and a spirit of community in the place. He said that it was important that the bells be heard as often as possible in any parish and that if, through them, only one person was brought to think of the things of God it was well worth while.

Tea was served in All Saints' Church Room by the ladies of St. Edmund's parish and was followed by the business meeting. Members stood to the memory of several old members who had passed away during the year and the president recalled that all had contributed in no small way to the cause of ringing in the diocese.

The annual report and accounts were presented and adopted.

The Master took the chair for the election of the president. Mr. Chapman said that the Guild was indeed fortunate to have the deep interest of Canon Turner and said that much of his work was of a nature that never brought it before the general membership. The Canon was re-elected to the office with acclamation and resumed the chair.

Mr. P. I. Chapman had notified the committee in February that he wished to retire after six years as Master of the Guild. There had been only one nomination for the office and that had later been withdrawn. When called upon to address the meeting, Mr. Chapman said that he had appreciated the honour of serving and had tried to serve the Guild in the way he thought best, in the absence of any set code for such an office.

In the absence of nominations, rules did not permit the election of a new Master, so it was decided to appoint someone pro tem. Three names were put forward and the ballot showed that Miss S. R. Collins had the greatest support. It is thought that this is the first time a lady has been made Master of a Diocesan Guild.

The general secretary, Mr. E. Billings, and the auditor, Mr. G. F. Roome, were re-elected.

The meeting was asked to confirm the committee's recommendation of grants of £40 each to Finedon, where the eight bells are to be rehung, and Pitsford, where a new treble is to be added. Both were approved.

It was decided to hold the Summer Festival this year at Flore, where the six bells have just been rehung after a long silence. The Guild dinner is again to be held at the Town Hall, Northampton, in October.

Oundle was chosen for the 1965 annual general meeting, it being reported that catering facilities had improved and no difficulties would now be experienced in that respect.

### PROPOSED RULE CHANGES

A proposal to increase the subscription from 2s. 6d. to 5s. and issue a free report to all members, submitted by the Guildsborough Branch, was defeated, and the committee's recommendation of an increase to 3s. was agreed. The charge for reports will be reviewed by the committee annually as before.

The committee recommended that the rule be altered to allow the payment of 'the expenses, whole or part, of the Central Council representatives if authorised by the Guild Committee.' This was instead of travelling expenses only, and was passed unanimously.

A proposal to raise the maximum grant from the Bell Restoration Fund from £40 to £75 was also passed unanimously.

A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. E. Garrett and seconded by Mr. A. R. Elliott, to all who had contributed to the success of the occasion.

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MISS SHELAGH R. COLLINS,

the first lady to be Master of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild. She was taught to handle at bell at St. Nicolas', Guildford, by the late Mr. A. C. Hazelden, rung her first quarter the following year and first peal on Coronation Day at Keele. She has rung 133 peals (conducted five) in 86 towers and 71 quarter peals (21).

Apart from the Peterborough Guild, Miss Collins is a member of University of London Society, the Universities Association, the Cumberlands and 14 Diocesan Guilds. She was secretary of the Kettering Branch for three years and has been a member of the Central Council since 1963. Another office she holds is tower secretary of Kettering Parish Church.

Miss Collins took a B.Sc. degree, and a post graduate certificate in education at Leeds. She is on the staff of Kettering Technical College, her subject being mathematics.

### PETERBOROUGH GUILD—Continued.

Mr. P. I. Chapman said that, as his 'swan song,' he would like to raise again something he had mentioned during his first term of office. It concerned the Cathedral bells. He wished to repeat that it reflected badly upon the Diocese and the Guild that its Cathedral bells could not be rung. The Dean of Peterborough had confirmed that they could not be rung as now hung, and that no one would wish to dispute. They therefore had to consider the alternatives. They were the erection of a new bell tower in the Precincts or the use of the central tower. These problems were overcome in past centuries and there was no reason to suppose that it could not be done to-day. If the ringers of a smaller diocese such as Guildford could be responsible for providing bells for their new Cathedral, surely a Guild the size of theirs could do something for their own Cathedral.

### SOUTHWELL GUILD

Just over 40 ringers and friends attended the meeting of the Bingham District at Colston Bassett on April 11th. Owing to a misunderstanding there was no service for the first time since the District was formed. May 23rd was fixed for the District round of the Crawford Cup contest at Granby. The annual dinner and social was fixed for December at Whetton, and a dance during September will be held at Radcliffe. More ringers attended in the evening, 12 District towers being represented.

R. B.

Which Bristol conductor, helped by one from Farnborough, lost six peals out of six at Whitsun?

## THE FRENCH INVADERS

When a member of a French television film team, engaged in making a film of University life in Cambridge, heard the bells of Great St. Mary's ringing on a Sunday, it gave him an idea for a film. Thus a few days later, at the early hour of 11 a.m., when the Master of the University Guild was still eating his breakfast in his dressing gown, one of the Frenchmen called. Being an engineer, the Master's knowledge of the French tongue is small and, unfortunately, his foreign visitor spoke hardly a word of English! However, finally, the Frenchman was able to make understood what it was the film team wanted. So it was arranged that the filming take place the following day, May 13th, and a 12-bell band was hastily gathered from the University.

The ringing included Stedman Cinques and Plain and Little Bob Maximus. During this time a small group stood in the rope-circle filming the ringers—some found it distracting to have a film camera within a few feet of their faces whilst ringing! Shots were also taken of the bells themselves being rung, and the tenor being lowered. Ian Smith, who fortunately speaks French fluently, was in a brief interview. Anyone who has tried to explain ringing to a non-ringer in English will know it is not easy, and they will appreciate that it is no easier in a foreign language. If any holiday makers saw the film, due to be shown on French television probably on May 28th, we would be interested in knowing how it comes out (if at all!).

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The Editor has received a card from Mr. Jim Bennett from Fano, Denmark, stating that the clocks on the island are 100 years late, so that if anyone felt like having a spell from the hustle and bustle of 1964 they could hardly better Fano.

## LATE NOTICES

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.W. District.—A meeting will be held at Stansted on Saturday, June 13th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m.—G. Blake, Hamlet House, Roydon Hamlet, Harlow, Essex. 4808

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Tring (8) June 13th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. J. Collings, 16, Christchurch Road, Tring. No name no tea. 4809

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Syston District.—Meeting at Billesdon (8), June 13th. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea and meeting in School Room 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. G. Geary, 16, Leicester Road, Billesdon, by June 10th.—R. R. Brown, Hon. Sec. 4806

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Dorset Branch.—Saturday, June 13th, quarterly meeting at Bourton. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting following. All welcome. Names by Wednesday, June 10th.—Richard Longridge, Okeford Fitzpaine Rectory. Tel. Childe Okeford 311. 4810



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### ENGAGEMENT

**KIMBER-LAVENDER.**—The engagement is announced between Stewart, only son of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Kimber, of Carshalton Beeches, Surrey, and Jean, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lavender, of Thornton Heath, Surrey. 4801

### PERSONAL

Would Mr. Richard Welch, of Leicester, please send his address to: Mr. Philip R. Johnson, of 3, Lansdowne Avenue, Codsall, Staffs. 4777

'And there went with him a band of men, whose hearts God had touched.' 1 Samuel x. v. 29.

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

**BALDWIN.**—From July 1st, the address of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Baldwin will be 19, Park Road, Coldean, Brighton, 6. 4780

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**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A committee meeting will be held at the King's Head Hotel, Matlock, on Wednesday, June 24th, at 7.30 p.m. Next general meeting, Fairfield, July 4th. Details later.—B. P. Morris, Sec. 4779

**RINGER** (South Bucks), travelling by car to September Grantley Hall week-end, has spare seats. Anyone interested please write Box 4727, c/o 'Ringing World' Office, Onslow Street, Guildford. 4727

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**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Warwick Archdeaconry District.—Meeting Saturday, June 6th, at Wellesbourne. Bells (6) 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Own tea arrangements.—P. Bennett, Sec. 4704

**CUMBERLAND & NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION.**—A practice meeting of the Western Branch will be held at Irton on June 6th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to D. M. Hunns, Greengarth Hostel, Holmrook. 4765

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Peak District.—Meeting at Hope, Saturday, June 6th, 3 p.m. Own tea arrangements.—Mrs. G. Richardson, Dis. Sec. 4760

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—Meeting at Cleat on June 6th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Names for tea (which are essential) to M. D. Fellows, Sec., 14, Western Road, Stourbridge, Worcs. 4705

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL.**—Wotton Branch.—Evening meeting at Berkeley (10), June 6th, 6-9. No service, no tea. 4771

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Watford District.—Meeting at Abbots Langley on Saturday, June 6th. Names for tea to Miss B. Harris, 34, Abbots Road, Abbots Langley. 4781

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Practice meeting at Wallington on June 6th at 5.30 p.m.—E. Buck, Dis. Sec. 4729

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—By-meeting at Cobham on June 6th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify Mr. J. W. Gander at The Stores, Cobham, Gravesend.—L. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec. 4745

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—By-meeting, Littlebourne on Saturday, June 6th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Tea in Village Hall at 2s. 3d. per head. Those who require tea must notify, together with cash, please, Mr. T. Young, 2, Loddington Cottages, Littlebourne, near Canterbury. 4712

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bicester and District Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, June 6th, at Piddington (5). Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 4.45 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. E. Jones, 1, Eastview, Piddington, Bicester, Oxon.—C. Kinch, Hon. Sec. 4656

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Newton Longville on Saturday, June 6th. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Names for tea to R. W. Sear, 37, Buckingham Road, Bletchley, Bucks. 4703

**SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Cup contest meeting at Old Brampton, Saturday, June 6th, 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Arkwell, 296, Brimington Road, Chesterfield, please.—J. Seager, Sec. 4691

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—Central District.—Evening meeting, Great Finborough (6), Saturday, June 6th, 6.30 to 9 p.m. 4761

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**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Crewkerne Branch.—Quarterly meeting Winham (8), Saturday, June 13th. Please notify for tea early to J. T. Locke, Hon. Sec. 4790

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Biggleswade District.—Meeting Saturday, June 13th. Sandy (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Further ringing after tea.—M. Major, Dis. Sec. 4795

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chesterfield District.—Monthly meeting at Creswell on Saturday, June 13th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, without fail please, to Mr. L. Barlow, Lilac House, Mansfield Road, Creswell, Worksop, Notts. Tel.: Creswell 370.—Malcolm Phipps, Sec. 4805

**DEVON GUILD.**—Aylesheare Branch.—Meeting at Otterton, Saturday, June 13th. Bells 5 p.m. Service 6 p.m. No tea.—R. T. Perry. 4734

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—West Hartlepool (St. Oswald) Saturday, June 13th, 3 p.m. Names for tea not later than Wednesday, June 10th, to Mr. H. Short, 21, Perth Street, West Hartlepool. 4778

**EAST GRINSTEAD & DISTRICT GUILD.**—Meeting Saturday, June 13th, at Keymer (6) 2.30-5. Tea 5.15. Ditchling (8) 6-8.30. Names for tea, by June 12th, to Miss M. A. Ladd, 4, William Street, Tunbridge Wells, Kent. 4778

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Cambridge District.—Meeting at Harston (6) Saturday, June 13th. Bells 3 p.m. Buffet tea at parish garden party. Service 5 p.m., followed by meeting in church.—B. D. Threlfall, Dis. Sec. 4800

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Meeting at Dunmow, June 13th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to Dr. L. S. Castleden, Clock House Cottage, Dunmow. 4731

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.W. District.—Meeting at North Ockendon on June 13th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss J. Scott, Baldwins Farm, Upminster. 4752

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Summer festival, Saturday, June 13th, in the Leatherhead District. Ringing arrangements: Merrow (6), 10 to 11 a.m.; West Clandon (8), 10.30 to 11.30; Cobham (6), 11 a.m. to 12 noon; Stoke D'Abernon (6), 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.; Epsom Common (8), 12 noon to 1 p.m.; Ewell (8), 12.30 to 2; Banstead (8), 1.30 to 2.30; Epsom (St. Martin's) (10), 2 to 3; Ashted (8), 2.30 to 4; Dorking (8), 3.30 to 4.30 and after Evensong until 7.30; Newdigate (6), 7.15 to 8.30; Capel (6) and Ockley (6), 7.30 to 8.45 p.m. Lunch (5s. 6d.) will be provided at Ewell between 12.30 and 2 p.m. to those only who notify their requirements to Mrs. C. W. Munday, 37, Bradford Drive, Ewell, Epsom (Tel. Ewell 4986), by June 11th. Tea at Dorking 4.45 p.m. for those who notify Miss E. Clear, 'Murree', Lonsdale Road, Dorking (Tel. Dorking 2589), by June 11th. Evensong at Dorking 6 p.m., conducted by Rev. Jack Roundhill, M.A., Vicar of Dorking. 4753

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Ledbury District.—A quarterly meeting at Stretton Grandison, Saturday, June 13th. Service at 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to J. Ward, Woolfields, Coddington, Ledbury. 4793



**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.** — Eastern District.—Meeting, Benington, Saturday, June 13th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea. Names for tea to Miss B. J. Harris, Buckhurst, Benington, Stevenage, Herts. or to Benington 215.—R. Durrant, Dis. Sec. 4770

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.** — Maidstone District.—Quarterly meeting Harrietsham, Saturday, June 13th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, important, to Mr. J. Betts, Red House, Fairbourne Road, Harrietsham. Please note change of place.—T. A. Cross, Dis. Sec. 4747

**LADIES' GUILD.** — Western District.—Quarterly meeting, Banwell (8), June 13th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea. Names for tea, please, to Mr. W. Rice, 38, West Street, Banwell.—M. de Jong, 4788

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.** — Furness and Lake District and Lancaster Branches.—Joint meeting at Kendal, on Saturday, June 13th. Bells (10) 2.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, June 10th, to Mr. N. T. Nightingale, 6, Peat Lane, Kendal.—T. F. Metcalfe, P. Handley, 4762

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.** — Liverpool Branch.—Meeting at Huyton on June 13th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Meeting 6 p.m. Names to Mr. Birchall, 157, Bluebell Lane, Huyton. 4803

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.** — Preston Branch.—Meeting at Brindle, Saturday, June 13th. Please bring own food, cups of tea provided. Frequent buses on A6 to Clayton Green traffic lights, and walk via Blackburn Road. Bus 298 at 2.16 from Riley Green on Preston-Blackburn Old Road A675 (Bus Route 158).—L. Walmsley, 4748

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.** — Rochdale Branch.—Meeting at Whitworth on Saturday, June 13th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Cups of tea (in Vicarage) 5 p.m. Business follows tea.—J. P. Partington, 4776

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD** (Loughborough District) joint with **S. DERBYSHIRE** and **N. LEICESTERSHIRE ASSNS.**—Meeting at Brecon-on-the-Hill, on June 13th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in Vicarage 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, June 10th, to Mr. J. S. Knighton, 46, Borough Street, Castle Donington, nr. Derby. No name, no tea. 4796

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Central Branch.—Meeting, Saturday, June 13th. Ewerby. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by the Wednesday previous to Mr. J. Porter, 52, Ewerby, near Sleaford. Lincs.—S. A. Chambers, 4736

#### LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION

##### LLANDAFF BRANCH

Quarterly meeting to be held at Llantwit Major on Saturday, June 13th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business to follow. Names for tea before June 8th to W. J. Goodfellow, 33, Brook Road, Fairwater, Cardiff. 4688

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.** — Saturday, June 13th. St. Mary's, Woolwich, 3-4.30 p.m. Tea and business, Woolwich. St. Alfege's, Greenwich, 7-8.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, by Wednesday, June 10th, to Miss V. Dupre, 63, Woodlawn Road, S.W.6. Tel.: REN 4423.—V. E. Dupre, Hon. Sec. 4726

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.** — North and East District.—Saturday, June 13th. Edmonton. Ringing from 4 p.m. Service 5.15 p.m., followed by tea and service. Evening ringing till 8.30 p.m.—E. H. Kilby, Dis. Sec. 4789

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.** — Central Bucks Branch.—Annual general meeting, North Marston (6), Saturday, June 13th. Bells 2.45 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, June 10th, to Mr. J. W. Hall, 44, Buckingham Road, Winslow, Bletchley, Bucks. 4766

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.** — City Branch.—Half-yearly meeting, Saturday, June 13th, at Horspath. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. C. Surman, Grey Tiles, Gidley Hill, Horspath, Oxford. 4791

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD** (V.W.H. Branch) and **GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION** (Swindon Branch). — Joint meeting, June 13th, Bishopstone (8) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Ashbury (6) 6 p.m. Names for tea to Luton, 169, Cheney Manor Road, Swindon. 4792

**ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD.** — Annual general meeting, Llanstephan, Saturday, June 13th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. W. Taylor, Preswylfa, Brook Cottages, Llanstephan, Carmar. —R. Warburton, Hon. Sec. 4742

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.** — Marlborough Branch.—Meeting, Great Bedwyn and Savernake, Saturday, June 13th. In the afternoon and evening respectively. Names for tea to Mr. G. Brown, Audley House, High Street, Marlborough, Wilts. 4786

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.** — West Dorset Branch.—Meeting, Askerswell, Saturday, June 13th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to J. Davis, Mount, Melplash, Bridport. 4768

**SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting at Whitchurch, on Saturday, June 13th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Ringing after tea until 8 p.m. Names for tea, please, to B. Malam, 13, Yardington, Whitchurch, Salop. by Wednesday, June 11th.—E. Morris, 4775

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—Annual general meeting, Bury St. Edmunds, Saturday, June 13th. Norman tower 2-3.25 p.m. Service, Cathedral 3.30 p.m. Tea, Masonic Hall 4.30 p.m. Norman tower, Rougham and Gt. Barton available after business meeting. Names for tea to Mr. L. Wright, Horringer Road Stores, Bury St. Edmunds, by Wednesday, June 10th.—J. W. Blythe, Gen. Sec. 4763

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.** — Western Division.—Practice meeting at Walberton (6) on Saturday, June 13th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. at the Beam Ends Cafe. Please notify for tea.—R. Wake, 28, Keynor Estate, Sidlesham, Chichester, Sussex. 4783

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.**—Andover District.—Quarterly meeting, East Woodhay, June 13th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea afterwards. Names for tea, important, to Mr. J. Webb, Church Cottage, East Woodhay, Woolton Hill bells after tea. 4785

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD.** — Winchester District.—Quarterly meeting, Stockbridge, June 13th. Bells (6) 2.30 until service, 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. at the Old Three Cups Cafe, followed by meeting. Nether Wallop bells (5) available 6.30 p.m. Names for tea by June 8th to D. B. Brown, 3, Moss Road, Winnall, Winchester. 4730

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Evesham Bell Tower on Saturday, June 13th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to me by Tuesday, June 9th.—W. J. Newman, Manor Farm, Hinton. 4706

**WYMONDHAM NORFOLK.** — Wymondham ringers' day, Saturday, June 13th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 in Vicarage room. Names for tea, please, by Wednesday, 10th, to Mr. H. Tooke, 33, The Lizard, Wymondham, Norfolk. 4772

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.** — Eastern District.—Annual meeting, June 13th, Howdon Minster, joint with **BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.** Bells (8) available 2.30 till 9 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. in Green Room, near church. Names to Mr. A. E. Newham, 31, Pinfold Street, Howdon, near Goole, Yorkshire, by June 11th. Business meeting, election of officers, new reports available.—H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec. 4733

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**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.** — Axbridge Branch.—Corporate Communion at Parish Church, Weston-super-Mare, on Sunday, June 14th, at 8 a.m. Bells 7.25 a.m.—M. Legg, 4742

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.** — Cheltenham Branch.—Evening meeting, Friday, June 19th. 7.30 p.m., at Buckland (6), near Broadway.—Rev. J. Homfray, 5, The Close, Mead Road, Cheltenham. Hon. Sec. 4707

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.** — Taunton Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, June 20th, at Wellington (8). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, please.—A. H. Reed, Mimosa, George Street, Taunton. 4802

**DEVON GUILD.**—Annual Festival, Exeter, June 20th. Service, St. Mark's. 4 p.m., preacher the Bishop of Plymouth. Tea and meeting St. Mark's Hall. Numbers for tea to Mr. C. Densham, 27, Monkswell Road, Exeter. Ringing Cathedral 1.30-3, and 6-8. Heavitree 2-3.30. St. Mark's 3-4, St. Petrock 6-7, St. Thomas' 7-8. Cox memorial dedicated by the Dean. 2.30. 4797

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.** — Guildford District.—Meeting, Saturday, June 20th. Ringing at Albury 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Ringing afterwards at Shere. (No ringing 7-7.15.) Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mr. H. Arthur, Cambria, Peaslake, nr. Guildford. 4794

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.** — North Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Louth, June 20th. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Names for tea to Mr. T. Avery, 18, Broadbank, Louth, by Wednesday previous.—C. A. H., 4798

**STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.** — Annual general meeting, Lichfield, Saturday, June 20th. Service in Cathedral choir stalls 4.15 p.m. Tea and business meeting in St. Michael's Parish Hall 5.30 p.m. Bells available: Cathedral (10), 3-4.10 and 6.30-8.30; St. Mary's (8), 3.15-4 and 7.30-9; St. Michael's (6), 3.15-4 and 6.30-8; also St. Chad's, Lichfield (4), Elford and King's Bromley (both 6s), all 7.30-8.30 p.m. Names for tea by June 17th latest, please, to C. M. Smith, 'Roisselle', Walsall Road, Lichfield, Staffs. (Tel. Lichfield 2124.) 4807

**SWANSEA AND BRECON FESTIVAL GUILD.**—Annual general festival, Swansea, Saturday, June 20th. Ringing arrangements: St. Mary's (8) 2.15 to 4 p.m. and after 6.30. Service 4. Tea and business will follow. Names for tea to Mrs. N. B. Whitworth, 3, Lon Derw, Tycosh, Swansea.—J. A. Hoare, Hon. Sec. 4769

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.** — Southern District.—Quarterly meeting at Nutfield, June 20th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 4.30. Service, bells after till 9 p.m. Names for tea to Miss Kempell, 1, Church Hill, Nutfield, before June 18th.—G. A. W., 4739

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.** — Northern Branch.—Meeting at Kidderminster, 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 20th. Service 4.15. Tea and business. Names for tea by Wednesday, 17th, please.—Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., 17, Ham Lane, Pedmore, Stourbridge, Worcs. 4799

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.** — The annual festival will be held in Oxford on Saturday, June 27th. 9.45 a.m. Corporate Communion; 11 a.m. Festival Service at Christ Church Cathedral; 12 noon annual meeting in the Chapter House; 1.30 p.m. luncheon in the Dining Hall. Ringing arrangements as on agenda. Luncheon tickets (7s. each) from Mr. A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Church Lane, Wexham, Slough, Bucks. Names, together with remittance, by Tuesday, June 23rd.—Marie R. Cross, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4541

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ringers' Rally, Saturday, July 4th. Service and tea Maidstone. No business. Eighteen towers for ringing. Details later. Tonbridge District meeting date to be altered.—P. A. Corby, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4754



## QUARTER PEALS

**AYLESFORD, KENT.**—On May 22nd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: T. Cross 1, B. Groves 2, B. Trill 3, Reg. Lambert 4, Rbt. Egglestone 5, F. Hogan 6, L. Mannering (cond.) 7, D. Cheesman 8. For the engagement of David Cheeseman to Miss J. Scott.

**BEDFIELD, SUFFOLK.**—On May 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. M. Smith (aged 13, first quarter) 1, Mrs. M. Egglestone 2, R. K. Whittell 3, Miss A. E. J. Lester 4, A. T. Beckwith 5, H. W. Egglestone (cond.) 6. Rung to mark the visit of the Diocesan Cross and Arrows.

**BEDWORTH, WARWICKS.**—On May 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Webb 1, D. Lloyd 2, Mrs. J. Pratt 3, G. P. Hammond 4, G. Pratt 5, B. Pratt 6, D. J. Allen (cond.) 7, R. D. Hart 8.

**BICKER, LINCS.**—On May 20th, 1,296 Double Norwich C.B. Major: B. Hunt 1, A. G. Payne 2, N. B. Fovargue 3, H. Barsley 4, A. E. Flatters 5, F. Leggett 6, K. R. Davey 7, R. D. Bailey (comp. and cond.) 8. A birthday compliment to the mother of the ringer of 6.

**BRANCEPETH, CO. DURHAM.**—On Feb. 21st, 1,440 Kent T.B. Minor: A. Dwent 1, B. Redgers 2, F. Dicken 3, L. Pizzey 4, P. Newing (cond.) 5, W. G. Wilson 6. First of Treble Bob 1, 2 and 3 by D.U.S.C.R. For Evensong, and for the ordination of Rev. G. S. Ogden, assistant tutor St. John's College, Durham.

**BUSHEY, HERTS.**—On May 16th, 1,280 Spliced Surprise Major (six methods): H. G. Hart 1, Elsie K. Hart 2, C. W. Woolley 3, A. Cutler 4, S. Kathleen M. Baldwin 5, R. Baldwin (cond.) 6, G. W. Seaman 7, K. R. Dunstan 8. Half-muffled in memory of Jack Rootes. After an unsuccessful peal attempt.

**EDENHAM, LINCS.**—On May 11th, 1,376 Plain Bob Major: D. J. Hopkinson 1, Mrs. H. Ketteringham 2, F. W. Pinchbeck 3, C. Wade 4, W. A. Holmes 5, J. R. Holmes 6, K. Ketteringham 7, D. R. Baxter (comp. and cond.) 8. For the 3rd birthday of Andrew Holmes, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Holmes.

**GRANTHAM, LINCS.**—On May 5th at the Church of St. Wulfram, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Miss C. Lewis 1, D. J. Hopkinson (first quarter) 2, Mrs. H. Ketteringham 3, V. Evans 4, J. R. Holmes 5, D. R. Baxter (cond.) 6.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,320 Doubles (three methods): J. Dowse 1, R. Marsh 2, R. Blackshaw (cond.) 3, M. W. Harrison 4, J. A. Heaps 5. For evensong.

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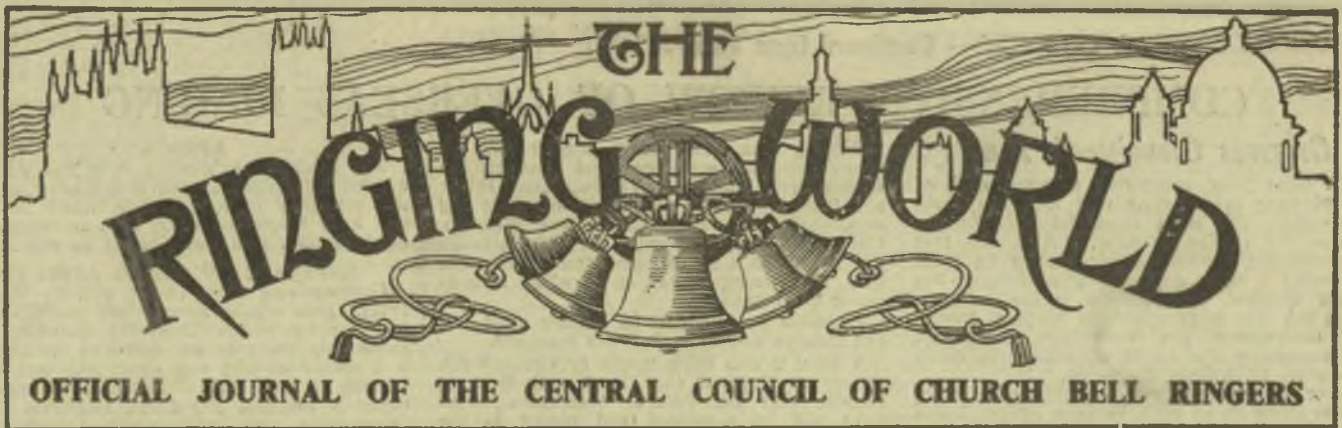
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### SPELT WITH TWO 'E's'

'YOU'VE got a bit of beetle here, I see.'

'Not death-watch beetle,' said the Vicar, turning the shade of his collar.

The death-watch beetle has destroyed more bell frames than any other agency, and is busy chewing its way through a great many while you are reading this, so it might be a help to steeple-keepers to know something about it. It's a small brown beetle, straight-sided (not oval like a ladybird), between  $\frac{1}{4}$  in. and  $\frac{3}{8}$  in. long. It generally only emerges in the spring, when it may be seen crawling sluggishly about on the floors of many churches and other old buildings. Unlike the furniture beetle, its grubs can eat away not just the outer surface of timber but solid stuff over a foot thick, and that is why it's such a menace in a bell frame. The holes which the emerging beetle makes are much larger than 'woodworm' holes: they will admit the head of a match, and the 'frass' which comes out of them is brown and about the size of caster sugar, not fine dust. By this you may know the death-watch beetle.

In the last few years several interesting things have been discovered about this nasty little insect. First, and most important, **it doesn't live on timber.** Its food is fungus, to get which it **chews** timber, and it follows that although once it has got busy it may attack sound wood it never starts in sound wood. So, if your timber is kept free from rot it'll be free from the beetle. Second, the grub lives deep in the timber where ordinary methods of applying insecticides cannot reach it, and the emerging beetle only chews its way out; it doesn't eat its way out, so that an insecticide which poisons its digestive system will not kill it. Spraying the timber with D.D.T. will not kill the emerging beetles but some other insecticides will, and these are the ones to use.

Thirdly, although the adult beetle has wings it doesn't normally use them, and it is doubtful whether it can fly upwards at all. How, then, does it get into a church tower?

My own belief is that the villain is the jackdaw. Death-watch beetles don't specialise in ecclesiastical timber; you can find their holes in hedgerow sticks, especially dead hawthorn, and there's nothing that a house-proud jackdaw likes better than a nice twisty hawthorn stick, which can be woven so immovably into the wire-netting of the windows. So it would be wise for steeple-keepers to make sure that as well as keeping jackdaws out of the belfry they keep them from nesting even outside the netting.

I had confirmation of this theory the other day at a 3-bell tower, where the frame was still largely sound after some 500 years. There was furniture beetle and a little

rot, and in the windows there were no louveres but great old shutters of 2in. oak with  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in. holes bored in them. No building sites for jackdaws here, and no death-watch beetle.

Jackdaws seem to be on the increase; they should not be welcomed as recruits to our belfries. J. G. M. S.

### A PRESENT FROM TRURO

(To be sung—if it has to be sung—to the tune of 'The Farmer's Boy'.)

When first the Cornish ringers heard the Council was to come,  
Bold Alan Carveth summoned them, and things began to hum:  
They planned to give a welcome such as never was before,  
The day we came to Truro town in Nineteen Sixty-Four.

'Now when they went to the Potteries, at Stoke-on-Trent, they say,  
'Each member of the Council got a handsome dish or tray:  
'Now what about a Cornish gift they'll treasure evermore,  
'The day they come, etc.'

Then up and answered Doug Burnett, a Cornishman all through,  
'We'll show these foreigners,' he said 'what Cornish lads can do,  
'Let's give them each a pasty brave, they could not wish for more,  
'The day they come, etc.'

Now when the Council day came round, they served the pasties up,

With splits and cream in many a plate, and tea in many a cup;  
And the foreigners were fair amazed when they the pasties saw,  
The day they came, etc.

The President he looked at his, a learned Norfolk priest:  
He thought its lancet windows were twelfth century at least,  
But he found they were Victorian, which made him very sore,  
The day he came, etc.

Pat Cannon then took his in hand, a ringer strong and tough;  
He tried to turn it in to Kent, but found it went too rough:  
He struggled on for half a course, then dropped it on the floor,  
The day he came, etc.

George Pipe he took a bite at his, and said 'In very truth,  
'I'd take one o'er to Washington, if t'were a College Youth,\*  
A sentiment which some disgruntled gentry did deplore,  
The day they came, etc.

Ken Arthurs then and Denis Bayles, they took theirs all to bits,  
And four internal places found, which gave them forty fits:  
They hollered out 'Irregular!' and headed for the door,  
The day they came, etc.

But all the other foreigners, from towers far and near,  
They tasted of this wondrous food, and raised a pious cheer;  
They ate with relish every bit, and then called out for more,  
The day they came to Truro town in Nineteen Sixty-Four.

J. G. M. S.

\*The perpetrator of this ditty is fully aware that this verse is a scandalous libel: in fact it was his original intention to attribute this verse to someone else, but as the latter was not at Truro this was impossible, and George fitted the metre. It would have been a libel anyway, and the author disclaims any responsibility should a correspondence ensue.

J. G. M. S.



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## COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF OVERSEAS RINGING

## Overseas Committee's Report

IT gives your committee a great deal of pleasure in reporting that 1963 has probably been the most successful year in the history of ringing overseas. And now that Council has invited regular reports on these activities a more comprehensive coverage has been possible. Consequently it can be seen that the Art is practised, in varying degrees of achievement and enthusiasm admittedly, in something like 35 to 40 centres in seven countries throughout the world.

Our report covers vast territories with sometimes hundreds of miles between towers. These isolated bands are once again to be commended for the part they play in the Ringing Exercise at large. Where possible information not previously available or known has been summarised in respect of newer/isolated towers which it is hoped will be of further assistance to would-be travellers. We heartily welcome enquiries for more detail and likewise would be pleased to hear overseas news at any time.

## AUSTRALIA

Despite various upheavals in the Australian ringing scene, an excellent year can be recorded. It would be a mistake to gauge this only from the peals and quarters that have been brought round though this is always a good indication that things are flourishing. Through the admirable publication 'Ringing Towers,' and reports in our own journal the ringing centres of Australia are now quite well known.

Perth is gaining strength all the time and some 14 ringers were present at the Bishop's enthronement in August. All eight bells are now rung and this very isolated band rang the first peal on the bells in March and scored several quarters during the year.

Adelaide with the addition of the recently renovated Town Hall octave is now quite a 'Mecca' for ringing in the country. Double Norwich, Cambridge and Stedman Triples are now well within their grasp and whereas Miss Enid Roberts by moving to N.S.W. will be greatly missed, Ronald Russ makes a valuable replacement. Adelaide was the venue of the A.N.Z.A.B. annual meeting when well over 40 ringers from four States attended. Three peals and several quarters are listed for South Australia.

Melbourne after a flourishing four of five months at the beginning of the year felt the loss of the Cathedral bells, now in England for complete restoration. The new job will be on its way again in May and awaited with some eagerness! St. Patrick's Cathedral band has kept things moving, however, in readiness for the return of the 12 and we can look to Melbourne for a strong band in the near future. Five peals, including Cambridge S., Major and Bob Royal go down in the record book.

Hobart, Maryborough and Yass continue to maintain Sunday service bands, Hobart ringing a quarter peal during the year.

Ballaarat's two towers have also picked up whilst the octave at Bendigo will soon be returned from Whitechapel where another restoration is taking place.

Finally Sydney which has done remarkably well and crowning its year with a peal of Stedman Triples 'in hand.' Five other peals (including Burwood) were scored and it is pleasing to note the variety of methods in their quarters.

Overall there were 63 quarter peals on tower bells and 15 in hand, together with 15 peals in the following methods: Plain Bob Major 4; Grandsire Triples 3; and one each of Bob Royal, Cambridge S. Major, Grandsire Caters, Stedman Triples, 3 Spliced Plain Major, 4 Minor methods and 9 x 2 Doubles methods.

## NEW ZEALAND

A year of steady progress in New Zealand and ringing generally of a high standard. Both Christchurch (10) and Hamilton (8) Cathedrals are further cases where with perhaps just one more experienced ringer/conductor would make all the difference.

Ringing took place every Sunday and for several special occasions and festivals in Christchurch. Grandsire Triples, Kent Minor and Plain Bob are a regular feature here and occasionally Grandsire Caters and Stedman. Unfortunately peal attempts for Triples failed but success is sure to come this way before long. Membership stands at 20 which is indicative of enthusiasm.

Hamilton has eight in its Sunday band and call changes and Plain Bob are managed.

A band is also being taught by Christchurch ringers at Papanui (5-6 cwt.) and there is rumour that St. Peter's, Wellington (8-16 cwt.) will be renovated and placed in the new Cathedral there.

## CANADA

A very good coverage of activity in this country has appeared in 'The Ringing World' over the last 12 months by Miss J. Midgley and Mr. A. J. Collins, so that a brief summary will suffice.

Victoria, B.C. (8-29½ cwt.). Membership approx. 20, ringing twice every Sunday with methods including Stedman and Kent T.B.

Vancouver, B.C. (8-16 cwt.). Membership 14, rung almost every Sunday to Grandsire, Plain Bob and call changes. We understand there is also an eight at St. James', Vancouver, which may well soon be rehung, being chimed only at present.

Mission City, B.C. (10-21 cwt.) rung regularly by the Benedictine Fathers at this most impressive Abbey. The Fathers can manage up to Grandsire Caters.

Calgary, Alta (8-14 cwt.). Another up and coming centre which together with the two rings in Quebec gives a string of towers from West to Eastern Canada. The Cathedral in Quebec (8-16½ cwt.) has a small but very struggling band but at the moment there are no ringers at St. Matthew's (8-14 cwt.).

No activity unfortunately to cater for the two very fine 10's in Montreal although your representative was able to inspect them last year.

## U.S.A.

As with Canada the U.S. Mail coaches have kept us well informed with some excellent ringing articles. The latest development of course will be the important Washington dedication in May and this will be reported direct to the Central Council at Truro.

Therefore a list of towers with short notes will complete the picture for 1963.

Boston, Christ Church (8-15 cwt.). Unringable, apparently only because of sprinkler pipes being passed through the wheels and a very low ceiling.

Boston, Perkins Institute (8-22 cwt.). Only rung when visited by Groton—in perfect condition except for ropes.

Boston, Advent (8-20 cwt.). Some activity here and there is a donor who is prepared to pay for a full restoration if ringers can be found!

Hingham, Mass. (10-19½ cwt.). Unringable—tower supposedly too weak but this is debatable.

Kent School, Conn. (10-25 cwt.). A school-boy band of eight to ten in number. Call changes and Grandsire Doubles.

Chicago, Ill. (10-21½ cwt.). It is rumoured that renovation will be taking place soon.

Groton, Mass. (10-18 cwt.). Very strong and enthusiastic band here with something like 25-30 ringers—masters and boys. Stedman Doubles and Triples, Erin, Plain hunting are regular features and last year a quarter peal of Stedman Triples and four of Doubles were recorded. Groton ringers have visited Washington and hope to get over to Kent School.

The U.S.A. is almost equal in size to Australia and it can readily be seen that a keen and able ringer and conductor who was able to liaise with towers and move around could soon build up a very strong change ringing area in the States. The bells are certainly there!

## AFRICA

The information gleaned from the African continent indicates a general spreading of the Art especially in towers from which nothing has been heard for some time or where no band/ringable peal was thought to exist.

## REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

Grahamstown Cath. (8-25½ cwt. by Warner 1878). Quite regular Sunday and practice ringing here by mainly University students. Unfortunately there is no instructor so ringing is a matter of trial and error, although plain hunting on seven has been reached. The nearest tower is Durban, 350 miles. Handbells from Queenstown also used, which church incidentally has the treble and tenor (26 cwt. in D) of an unfulfilled octave by Taylors' (1922).

Woodstock, C.P. (8-11 cwt. Barwell, 1901). Is the well-known South African ringing centre having had three peals and 52 quarters recorded so far. Although Grahamstown (425 miles) is the nearest tower this keen band accomplished 720's and a quarter last year, as well as celebrating the 60th anniversary of change ringing in the continent.

Durban. Two towers — Greyville (10-18½ cwt. Taylor's, 1919) and St. Paul's (8-14 cwt. Taylor's, 1920) are rung as often as possible and strong efforts are being made to man both these towers.

Good news for South Africa is the new Whitechapel ring for St. George's Cathedral, Cape Town (10-26 cwt.). The bells have already been cast and are on their way for installation.

## SOUTHERN RHODESIA

Yet another little ringing community set in 'splendid isolation,' a further 850 miles from Durban. Salisbury (10-24½ cwt. by Mears and Stainbank, 1958) is the main centre and stands nearly 5,000 ft. above sea level! Ringing improving all the time and the band meets on Sundays and at practice for Grandsire and Plain Bob. We hear that handbells are taught at Riverside Anglican Mission, Bulawayo, by Rev. P. Cole, who has a set of 12.

Que Que. A 1962 ringable four with frames for two trebles, has a young band with eventual hopes of making the ring into six.

## KENYA

Rounds off Africa and the light four (2½ cwt. in E. Taylors, 1961) at Kilifi are at least a start in these parts. Again provision is made for two trebles and meanwhile the bells are heard for Sunday matins and practices.

At Cuddesdon Theological College, Oxford, three overseas students were taught to ring during 1963: Rev. D. Williams, of California, Rev. C. Gregorowski, of Cape Town, Rev. D. Low, another South African, now at Copnor, Hants.

The Convener would be pleased to hear of any comments, or items of news pertaining to ringing outside Britain, and if these could be communicated to his private address (8, Lansdowne Road, Ipswich) they will be summarised and published in 'The Ringing World' at a later date.

(Signed) GEORGE W. PIPE (Convener),

8, Lansdowne Road, Ipswich, Suffolk.

A. VICTOR SHEPPARD.

Mr. G. W. Pipe moved the adoption of the report. He said the 12 for Melbourne were leaving England in the next few weeks. They had been completely renovated in an iron frame at Loughborough. The Bendigo octave had been recast at Whitechapel and were leaving in a short time and the new 10 for Cape Town were at Whitechapel and would be going shortly.

Mr. V. Sheppard, seconding, said he had heard that Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, would be receiving shortly a very competent ringer for two years—he referred to Mr. Frank Blagrove.

Mr. Frederick Sharpe said he did not propose to give a detailed account of his experiences in America as they were printed in 'The Ringing World.' He would like to thank especially the president of the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers (Dr. Robert Hieber) and Mr. James Lawson, caril-



lonneur, of Riverside Church, New York and editor of 'Overtones': they were all hand-bell ringers and rang for church services. They sent their very best wishes to the Council. While he was in America he had the pleasure and privilege of giving lectures on elementary change ringers in groups.

He had on several occasions just over 300 teenagers all eager to learn. One lecture was planned for one hour; it lasted three hours.

### THE WASHINGTON TOUR

Mr. G. W. Pipe was called upon to describe the recent visit to Washington which he called 'That was the week that was.' The outstanding thing from their point of view, he said, was the actual reception and enthusiasm they got. They expected them to turn up as beefeaters: all they had were bellringers' ties! As to Washington, it is the sort of city you ought to visit. The Cathedral is a magnificent building in the true Gothic style. I have brought with me a collection of presentation books of Washington that will enable you to see what it is like.

'The bells are a first-class ring in every way, and the belfry is something to be seen to be believed. Apart from the elevators that take you up there can you imagine a belfry with three complete lounge suites, and furniture and fittings in ecclesiastical colours—in brown, olive green and in gold. Imagine 200 people or so there and you can still drive a bus round!

'The main reason for going was first for the dedication of the bells for the American people. Imagine the situation. "We have bells, we want ringers, we get them out"! Apart from the dedication on Ascension Day, we were able to do a lot of teaching. The actual teaching was handled by Mr. Chaddock and Mr. Moreton. They did a splendid job in every respect, and the other eight of us assisted. The result of the week was that 25-30 people were taught and on Friday one of the pupils rang a 720 of Bob Minor on the treble.

'The actual dedication day was something I shall never forget: it started at 7 and services were outside with temperatures about 80 and 90 degrees and thousands of people milling around. The climax came when we rang a quarter of Stedman Caters with 200 people in the belfry at the time, the Press coming and going and cameras clicking. John Chilcott did a magnificent job, indeed the whole party behaved splendidly. We felt we were a representative band for England in the cause of change ringing.

'I want to express special and heartfelt thanks to our friend Doug Hughes. He did a lot of arranging and he has taken a recording of the peal which is going to be played at the reception and you can then judge the quality of the peal. We had a chance to ring a peal on the Saturday, perhaps not in the fittest condition as over 10,000 people were listening to it on the lawns outside. I want to pay a tribute to John Chilcott: he was Master for the week, cool and had everybody in a happy frame. Think of conducting a peal and a quarter under such circumstances!

'Finally, we were asked to spend an extra day and fly to Groton at Russell Young's invitation. Here we rang a peal of Cambridge Royal. Earlier in the week a peal of Plain Bob Major was rung in hand. We have introduced the art of change ringing and we hope it is firmly established in America.'

Mr. H. L. Roper (hon. member): When I saw the report of the Overseas Committee I felt I must congratulate Mr. Pipe. I would also like to congratulate him on his report of the Washington visit.

The hon. secretary: At the same time as we vote on the report, there is a rather mundane matter, to agree to the terms of reference of the Overseas Committee. The Standing Committee recommend these terms: "To keep in touch with and report to the Council on all activities of ringing outside the British Isles and to furnish information when thought desirable and to establish contacts with overseas visitors."

The report and recommendation were adopted.

The President called attention to a book Mr. Sharpe had written on the bells of Guernsey, Jersey, Alderney and Sark which would be on sale very shortly.

## LITTLE SUPPORT FOR CONTROL OF NAMES

The Council then proceeded to consider the two motions in the names of Mr. D. A. Bayles and Mr. K. Arthur:

(a) That this Council shall no longer recognise as regular any even-bell method which has four places made between successive rows on more than one occasion in the half-lead.

(b) That this Council investigate and report on the possibilities of systematic nomenclature for methods.

Dealing with (b) first, Mr. Bayles said there had developed a habit of names being longer than the place notation. Let them be as simple as possible. Most methods rung for the first time would not be rung much in the future. He felt that Hudson and McClelland showed one way of dealing with it. He moved para. (b) and Mr. K. Arthur seconded.

Mr. W. E. Critchley (Yorkshire Association) asked Mr. Bayles to qualify, as he did not understand what was meant by the 'systematic nomenclature.'

Mr. Bayles: If a person gets the figures of a new method, how did he know it had not been rung before? Surely there must be some method of arranging them. They had a comprehensive list produced by a commuter which showed all right-placed methods. When a thing was rung they could give it the name or number relating to it in the list.

Mr. C. K. Lewis: This will only be solved when the book of the methods of Surprise Major rung is published in the near future. If you want to kill ringing it is to ring method 100 and composition 99. In five years time the Exercise would then be as dead as mutton.

Mr. K. Arthur in a speech showed how ridiculous many names were. In the 17th and 18th century they had such names as Ham Treble Bob, Blunderbuss, Whirligig and Jack of Both Sides. They have now such names as Ob and Llanfihangel-Rhydeithon and were threatened with parsnips and beetroot. If this went on in the same breath as Double Norwich Court Bob Major they would have Beatles' names. Could they imagine 'Yeah, Yeah, Yeah Surprise'?

Mr. R. B. Morris said years ago his Association rang a new method and called it Oswestry. He would not like that to be called by another name.

Mr. W. G. Wilson (London County Association) said the only thing that made the motion necessary was if Mr. Arthur's examples were taken up by Mr. Warwick. If they were not, then the motion was not necessary.

Mr. John R. Mayne: We have a great heritage and we ought to do our best to pass it on. I do not think this nomenclature system fits the bill. I think this Council should invent and select proper names. I remember years ago the Rev. John Scott said he derived great pleasure from such names as Whirligig. I would be prepared to consider a re-classification of names but if there is any doubt I think it is best to leave it alone.

The Rev. John Scott said it would be unthinkable to change names that had been in existence for centuries. Names like Oswestry rung for a special occasion should certainly be retained. His opinion was whether a peal was called Whirligig, Ob or another name, they should not try to stop them. Many of these peals were not worth ringing.

Eventually Mr. John Freeman moved that the Council proceed with the next business, which was seconded by Mr. W. E. Critchley and carried. A previous attempt at this procedure was ruled out of order by the president as the mover coupled it with a sneeze.

Mr. Bayles then submitted motion (a). He said unfortunately under this motion Cambridge would become an irregular method. It was in order on 6 and 8 bells but 10 and 12 bells would be ruled out. He would like to restrict the motion to 6 and 8 bells.

Mr. K. Arthur seconded.

Mr. W. F. Moreton said he was in sympathy with a good deal of what had been said. This motion would affect many peals which were printed in the collection.

Mr. Norman Chaddock said he was in sympathy with Mr. Bayles' idea if it was kind to what was good taste. They could indicate what was good and not lay down laws like

those of years ago that provoked long discussions.

Mr. C. K. Lewis also contended that it was far better to rely on what was good taste than to legislate. Legislation led people to find ways round it.

Mr. R. S. Anderson moved an amendment that it be referred to the Methods Committee for consideration and report.

Mr. F. I. Hairs seconded.

Mr. P. A. Corby felt this was only a manoeuvre to pass it on to others. 'We had a debate some years ago like this in regard to Bob Triples.'

The amendment found 21 supporters but was heavily defeated.

After further discussion Mr. Corby moved that the question be now put and the motion was defeated.

### THE RECEPTION

A reception followed in the Town Hall annexe, where, the members of the Council, their wives and lady friends were received by the Mayor and Mayoress and the Lord Bishop of the Diocese. A Cornish tea was provided, which included hot Cornish pasties—a delicacy appreciated by visitors from a distance. The generosity of the Truro Diocesan Guild and their ladies and also the Mayor and Mayoress and the Lord Bishop for receiving the company was fittingly expressed by the president.

In the evening in the Red Lion Hotel the usual social was held. An added attraction was the playing of a recording by Mr. Douglas Hughes of the Washington peal. As on many previous occasions, Canon Felstead and the Rev. John Scott were prominent in the entertainment. Topical verse appropriate to the Council meeting was given by the Rev. John Scott.

(See front page.)

### MASHONALAND DIOCESAN GUILD

At the annual meeting of the Guild held in the bell tower in Salisbury on May 6th, the Master (Mr. H. P. Raynor) reported that progress had been rather sporadic: irregular attendance by members (often unavoidable) and the departure of many of the most useful ringers had been the chief difficulties. In particular, the tower captain (Mr. F. Wilson) had been dogged by ill-health and unable to ring for nearly a year. Dr. Gibbs migrated to Australia at Christmas, and the tragic death of the enthusiastic steeplekeeper, Chris Head, had left a gap which had not been filled.

Service ringing, chiefly rounds and call changes, had been maintained by a faithful few, and run very competently by Miss Pellatt (deputy tower captain) and Mr. K. Cross (hon. secretary), the latter bearing the brunt of teaching new ringers.

The most notable event of the year had been the hanging of a ring of four bells at St. Luke's, Que Que (140 miles from Salisbury). Four members from Salisbury went there for the dedication in October. Since then Mr. Berrington, who played a major part in the establishment of ringing in Salisbury, had trained a band there, travelling 70 miles to practices. Rounds were rung regularly for Sunday service.

As Que Que is in the Diocese of Matabeleland, Mr. Raynor proposed that a provincial guild should be formed and this was agreed in principle. Mr. Raynor regretted that he had to return to full time farming and declined to stand for re-election as Master. His successor is Mr. J. R. Milford, also from Marandellas. Other officers were re-elected.

The Guild has 18 ringers made up of seven regular ringers in Salisbury, two who could be regulars, one recruit, six visitors from 50 miles away or further, two boys from Peterhouse School. The chief hope for real expansion and progress is that an enthusiastic expert from England may be persuaded to work in Salisbury for a year or so; negotiations with such a person are still in progress.



# Letters to the Editor

## Place Notation

Dear Editor,—I was recently asked to try and explain this system of recording a method. This caused me to look more critically at the specimens appearing week by week in 'The Ringing World.' Having done so I was surprised, as I believe may be others, by the variations in the way they are set out. I thought I would write about it, not from any passion for uniformity, but on the basis that the system is designed to convey information precisely. If it does not do so, and can confuse the inexpert reader, then it fails.

May I give a few examples, all taken from recent reports:

(1). There are two symbols in use to denote a change at which no place is made, viz. a dash '—' and a cross 'x'. The former is more quickly written, the latter more nearly conveys what is going on. May we have one or the other, but not both? I favour 'x'.

(2). There would seem to be confusion in denoting what happens at the end of the lead. Different methods are reported in which 'l.h.' and 'l.e.' are used for exactly the same meaning. Surely only one can be correct. I would have thought that 'l.e.' should have it.

(3). In my paragraph (2) I have used 'l.e.' and 'l.h.' but often in 'the R.W.' one sees 'L.E.' and 'L.H.' Typography is your privilege, sir, but would you consider sticking to one or the other? I am a firm believer in lower case always unless there is an overwhelming case for a capital.

(4). I am sorry to say that you have occasionally accompanied abbreviation with an apostrophe indicating the plural, e.g. 'F.C.E.s.' If there are two false ends, is the 's' really essential? From the appearance of two sets of figures it would be clear that there were indeed two—and again, may it be 'f.c.e.'?

(5). Included in the information given sometimes is—i.e. (or L.E.) 1426, sometimes 'l.e. 2nds place', and sometimes '4ths place bob.' As I see it the first two pieces of information are repetitious; if the information '1426' or '1573' is given then there is no need to specify that 2nds place or any other is to be made when the treble is leading. So far as bobs are concerned could the convention not be accepted that, unless specified otherwise, 4ths place is understood?

I am sorry to appear pedantic, but as I said earlier, if we are to use this convenient shorthand, let it be precise and as brief as is consistent with clarity. It may be that the standardisation is a job for the Central Council. If so I have a year to wait, but would you not, sir, in the meantime give a clear lead to your contributors, and instruction to your compositors.—Yours sincerely,

DAVID GULLICK.

Stevenage.

Note.—Will the convener of the appropriate committee please make a statement to clarify the position.—Ed.

## Method Name

Dear Sir.—The peal of Surprise Major rung at Godmanchester on April 25th, which appears in your issue of May 15th (page 331), is wrongly named. In accordance with the advice of the Methods Committee, published in the issue of January 17th, 1964, page 36, and ratified by the Central Council at Truro, the name for this method is Westray, which is the name given when it was first rung in a peal of spliced at Ashover, Derbyshire, on July 13th, 1963.—Yours faithfully,

JOHN R. MAYNE.

Harrow.

## In and Out of Course

Dear Sir.—I have discovered a method of determining whether or not a row is in or out of course. It may have appeared in print before, but it is so simple that it is worth reneating.

The method is this: In the row in question, for each bell count the number of bells below it which in rounds would be above. The total number of 'above' bells 'below' is the same as the number of single changes necessary to reach rounds. An example: 2 4 1 6 3 8 5 7.

Two has no bells below it, 4 has one, but this is below it in rounds, so it is not counted. One has two bells below it that are above it in rounds, total so far two. Six has no 'above' bells below, but 3 has 4 and 6 below it, total so far four. Tenor can never have any 'above' bells and can always be ignored. Five has 8 and 6 below, total so far six; 7 has 8 below, grand total seven. Seven single changes are necessary to produce 2 4 1 6 3 8 5 7 from rounds. The row is out, of course.

I believe that this method is more convenient than any other, it can be done mentally.—Yours faithfully, JOHN DAVID.

Guernsey.

## Surprise Major Collection

Dear Sir.—My article on 'Publications and the Central Council' was written because of correspondence, over various names, in 'The Ringing World.' It took no account of matters which were not public knowledge or known to me. If, therefore, any injustice was done, as Mr. Goodfellow thinks, to Mr. Maurice Hodgson it was clearly not intended.

All authors are impatient for publication—most of them wait many years, often in vain. In this case time has been spent on the consideration of publication by the Middlesex Association and if this had come about the Exercise would have congratulated its members. Then more time has passed while that Association passed the matter on to the Central Council. Of course a whole year has elapsed and more time will also pass. No committee of the Council can spend the Council's money (our money) without authority and that authority should not be given without an estimate of cost and an indication of need. The lower the demand the greater the proportionate cost.

Then there are the mechanical considerations. The Middlesex Association will doubtless be as pleased to persuade the Central Council to undertake the tasks of stocking, advertising, selling, packing, posting, accounting, etc., as Mr. Hodgson would have been if the Middlesex Association had undertaken all this. I am sure that if Mr. and Mrs. Sneed could or would, put a price on their Herculean labours in disposing in 1963 of, *inter alia*, two thousand copies of the Beginners' Handbook, it would far outweigh the cost of publication. If it is suggested that the number of copies would be nearer 20 or 200 a year than 2,000, then it may be that the question whether the demand is great enough to justify using the Council's limited resources of money and labour will need even more careful consideration.

As I have tried to say before, any ringer who is prepared not only to find the cash but also the labour can publish what he wishes. But if he wants someone else to pay (even part), to stand the financial risk, and to undertake all the work and incidental expenditure, then he will need to be both persuasive and patient.

WILFRID G. WILSON.

## Judging Striking Contests

Dear Sir.—I too, share the amazement of Mr. Cooper in that Mr. Carlisle and myself were able to agree on the result of the Archdeaconry of Staffs striking contest held at Bushbury. Despite the fact that the probability of three judges agreeing exactly on the placings of the seven teams is less than one in 125,000,000,000, we did just that. The main point of Mr. Cooper's letter, however, related to the small number of faults which were awarded to the winning team.

I believe there are two basic rules which must be obeyed when judging a contest and although they are obvious they are often not emphasised enough:

Rule 1.—Each row must be noted and marked individually, and all rows must be marked to the same standard.

Rule 2.—The standard of marking must be maintained constant for all the teams competing. This is not easy because there is a natural tendency to mark good teams severely and poor teams leniently—simply because the time available to assess and mark each change is very limited.

However, this pitfall is not so serious in its result as the tendency gradually to alter one's standard of marking as the competition progresses, either because one becomes more practised or as concentration wavers. If there is more than one judge, it is inevitable that even if they are using the same system of marking, they will differ in what constitutes a fault or part of a fault. Any tendency to try and make the marks agree more closely as the contest proceeds must be firmly resisted and, although this means that marks awarded by each judge to individual teams will differ, the marks should be comparative and the judges should agree on the order of merit. This is what happened at Bushbury, where, although one of the judges differed by a factor of two in his markings from the other two judges, we were unanimous in the order of merit.

I believe that the most important aspect of judging is to place all the teams (I repeat all the teams) and not just the winners, in the correct order of performance. Thus where there is more than one judge notice should be taken of each judge's placings of the teams in preference to his marking. Of course, when it comes to announcing the result and the number of faults have to be quoted, an average from all the judges must be taken. However, a straight average is not good enough; a 'weighted average' which illuminates the effects of different standards of assessment must be used.

You will probably have gathered from what I have written that the actual system of marking is of secondary importance to that of maintaining consistency, and this is so. For the record, all the judges at Bushbury used the same system of marking which had as a basis a maximum of one fault per row. Slight imperfections and slips constituted a  $\frac{1}{2}$  or  $\frac{1}{4}$  fault, whereas a definite clash constituted a full fault. I know other persons use other systems where multiple faults are possible in each row. This probably accounts for the fact that the excellent striking contest bands, such as Warson, have on occasion scored a large number of faults with well nigh perfect ringing, whereas on other occasions with a different judge and a poorer performance they have scored far fewer faults.

As striking contests are becoming more and more popular it is imperative that more ringers be prepared to do the judging. I hope that no one will be deterred from trying on the grounds that they do not know how to assess faults and are afraid of marking too few.—Yours sincerely,

Derby

G. A. HALLS.

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## ST. MARY'S BASILICA, SYDNEY

Featured in the May issue of 'Ringing Towers' is an article on the famous Roman Catholic Cathedral of St. Mary's Basilica, Sydney. Graphically the writer gives this impressive introduction:

'It is very pleasant to stroll across Sydney's Hyde Park, enjoying the relative quiet, looking at the trees, dodging the spray from the fountain if the breeze is stirring and all the time seeing the massive shape of St. Mary's Basilica looming larger. One then nips across the road and round the great buttresses with the enjoyable anticipation of some interesting ringing on good bells. The only cloud on the horizon is the thought of ascending the 111 stone stairs of somewhat uneven height, but having spiralled successfully upwards and stepped out on to the slanting catwalk that leads to the central tower and the bells, one's breath can be agreeably recovered gazing at the beauty of a large part of the harbour spread out below. Everything is on a large scale and seems to have been there since Governor Phillips' time.'

There have been two rings of bells at St. Mary's; the first eight, with a tenor nearly 30 cwt., was first rung on New Year's Day, 1844, and destroyed by fire in 1865. The present bells, from the Whitechapel Foundry, were presented in 1882. They are a ring of eight, with a tenor weighing 25½ cwt.

Laurie Curran captains the present band and other ringers include Tom Goodyer, the tower's extremely able conductor, his wife Margaret, John Cummins, John Sneehey, Ted and Neil Fowell, Wendy Nichols, Audrey Peters, Willie Watson, Enid Roberts, Graeme Langshaw, Frank Cormack and Jenny Rees.

This is a good number of 'Ringing Towers,' with Edgar Shepherd writing 'Daobling in Doubles, very useful for young bands, and an editorial on call changes. George W. Pipe writes of Melbourne bells at Loughborough and Philip Gray on 'The Begunner. There is also a correction to the list of first 100 Australian peals. A peal of Grandsire Doubles that appeared in 'The Ringing World' as having been rung at Holy Trinity, Hobart, on September 9th, 1944, is withdrawn. The peal of Grandsire Triples at St. Peter's Cathedral, Adelaide, on February 20th, 1963, conducted by Enid Roberts, becomes the 100th peal rung in Australia.

## 50 YEARS AGO

R.W., April 24th, 1914.

**BELLS' TRIUMPHAL ENTRY.**—Arrangements are being made for a triumphal entry into Southampton on May Day of the new ring of eight bells for St. Mary's, the mother church of the borough. The bells have been given by Miss Wingrove, and at half-past five in the morning of May Day will be taken from the Dock Station and placed on eight cars, for a triumphal march through the town. At the boundary of the parish they will be met by the clergy and choir, who, with special hymns of thanksgiving, will lead them to the church. Each car will carry, in addition to the bell, four parishioners, to represent the 'seven ages of man.' The bells have been cast by Messrs. Taylor and Co., at the Loughborough Foundry.



Winners of the Ipplepen Deanery ringing festival at Upton (Torquay) were the following members of Upton Parish Church: Messrs. N. J. Roberts (holding the Searley Shield, captain), W. Hancock, B. E. Bartlett, W. G. Brewer, A. R. G. Wotton and H. M. Hill. The test was the usual peal, 'Sixty-on-Thirds' (call changes), rung in not longer than 20 minutes and not less than 15, including rise and lower. Six teams competed and Upton beat their near rivals, King's Kerswell, by 5½ points. Each of these teams has now won the shield six times.

[Photo by courtesy of 'The Devonshire Press.'

## GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

The May meeting of the Exeter Branch was held at Bramford Speke, with Mr. F. Wreford in the chair. A lively discussion ensued concerning instruction and it was suggested that each tower in the District should be visited in turn by members from other towers to give instruction to those not so far advanced. Newton St. Cyres was chosen for the next meeting.

A service was taken by the Vicar, Canon Lucas, who gave an interesting talk about the local bells, which had recently been overhauled. Bramford ringers supplied tea.

## TWO 1,344's OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

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275634	- 467352
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246375	423567
S 352746	452736
375624	- 674352
367452	- 236574
346275	253467
- 523746	245736
572634	- 672345
567423	S 356472
- 345267	345267

Repeat each 7 times, calling Bob for Single in the 4th and 8th parts.

For practice touches, omit singles giving 2 parts (336 changes) or single every other part giving 4 parts (672 changes).

## LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH

History was made by the Monmouth Branch when they visited for the first time the tiny church of Llangattock-Vibon-Avel, which is hidden amongst the trees and two fields away from the road.

The lively young Vicar, the Rev. D. G. Cooling, was early at the church to welcome the visitors. The six bells were rung to a variety of methods varying from rounds to Surprise.

The service was conducted by the Vicar, and the organist was Mrs. Millar. Mr. David Pike thanked the wives of the Llangattock ringers, who had so kindly prepared tea at the Hendre Hall.

Three new members were elected from Llangattock-Vibon-Avel, the first ever from that tower to join the Association. New members were also elected from Rumney and Machen.

Mr. Jack James, Master, thanked the Vicar for his warm welcome and interest in the Branch.

Next meeting: Bassaleg on July 11th.

## SUFFOLK GUILD

About 30 people attended a very successful quarterly meeting of the N.E. District held at Dennington and Laxfield on May 23rd. The bells were rung continuously to methods ranging from Plain Bob Minor, Stedman, Double Norwich, Kent Treble Bob and a touch of Woodbine.

Ian Margetts, of Beccles, was elected a junior member, and Mr. I. Raphael, of Lowestoft, an unattached ringing member.

Next meeting: Adelburgh, August 15th.

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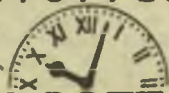
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## OBITUARY

## MR. FREDERICK SHERATON

'And though men be so strong that they come to four score years: yet is their strength then but labour and sorrow.' Frederick Sheraton belied these words of the psalmist as he retained his faculties to a remarkable degree and was active until he died suddenly on his way to a cricket match on May 22nd.

Born in Chester-le-Street on September 3rd, 1879, he spent all but eight or nine years of his life in the town. He was a founder member of the golf club and of the first operatic society, a special constable and a member of the Fire Brigade. In this last he became vice-captain and a clock was presented to him to record his long service to the Brigade. But, above all, he had a life-long interest in bells.

Fred joined his older brother, William, in the belfry at Chester-le-Street and it was William who conducted his first peal in 1897 for Queen Victoria's diamond jubilee. This is recorded on a peal board in the ringing chamber at Chester-le-Street and this board as well as the others is surmounted by some of Fred's carving. Some of his carving is also to be found in the church itself. He rang faithfully at Chester-le-Street, except for the years when he was living at Humshaugh and until he found difficulty in climbing the stairs during the last few months. He had held office as captain and secretary at various times. He joined the Durham and Newcastle Association in 1892 and was for many years vice-president of the Western District, and last year he was among those honoured with life membership under the new rule. He rang 38 peals.

He was one of the deputation formed by the local ringers to obtain donations for the two trebles to complete the octave which were added in 1908. Shortly afterwards Sir Lindsay Wood undertook the rehanging of the eight in the present frame. Many ringers can testify to the excellence of that job in 1911. A joiner by trade, most of his working life was spent in the employ of Sir Lindsay and Sir Arthur Wood in Chester-le-Street.

Fred's wife predeceased him by six years and they just failed to reach their golden wedding. He leaves a daughter (Mrs. Brown) to whom and her family we express sympathy.

## APPRECIATION

I knew Fred only from about 1947 but we became close friends. There are several examples of joinery in this house where a young amateur benefited from the advice of a skilled professional.

I arranged peals for his 70th, 75th and 80th birthdays and I planned another one in this series for September, 1964. Last year the visit of Tom Lock's touring band produced a peal by coincidence on his 84th birthday and he enjoyed listening to some of this and chatting over tea to some of the other ringers.

He died suddenly after a life that had been almost entirely free from illness and in which he hardly knew what aches and pains were. He was thankful for his own good health but not unmindful of those less fortunate and he did much visiting of recent years.

At his own request he was cremated privately and his fellow ringers respected his wish. They sent a wreath and on the evening of the funeral eight of the local band rang a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples with the bells half-muffled.

William and Frederick Sheraton's service covers the period of change ringing in Chester-le-Street, the original six being installed in 1883. They helped to build up a tradition of regular ringing from which we benefit today and they have left us a high standard of service for which we give thanks.

DENIS A. BAYLES.

## Homeward Bound!



The American tourists with Douglas Hughes leaving Boston and Frank Price, homeward bound for London. Full story of eventful week in supplement (starting page 401).

## WASHINGTON CATHEDRAL BELLS

Bell 1 Treble, F sharp, 2ft. 4ins., 608 lbs.

Given by Elisa W. Pearson in memory of William Frederick Pearson 1880-1957, Lucy Wadhams Dodge 1887-1961.

Bell 2 E, 2ft. 5ins., 627 lbs.

Given by the people of Kansas in the year of the centennial of the State 'From the people of Kansas,' 1861-1961.

Bell 3 D, 2ft. 7ins., 712 lbs.

Given by Orme Wilson in thanksgiving to God, 'O sing unto the Lord a new song, for He hath done marvellous things.'

Bell 4 C sharp, 2ft. 8ins., 722 lbs.

Given by his family, friends, and former bellringers of Groton School, Mass., in memory of S. Warren Sturgis 1868-1952.

Bell 5 B, 2ft. 10ins., 851 lbs.

Given by Amelia Peabody, Lloyd B. Waring and Harry F. Rice, Jr., in memory of Robert Hopkins Storer 1874-1959.

Bell 6 A, 3ft. 1in., 1,071 lbs.

Given by Emma W. Woolfolk in memory of William Gordon Woolfolk 1877-1954.

Bell 7 G, 3ft. 5ins., 1,450 lbs.

Gift of Marian Tallman Warner and family. Inscribed on the plaque: 'Every day will I give thanks unto Thee; and praise Thy name for ever and ever.' Inscribed on the bell: 'The merciful goodness of the Lord endureth forever; and his righteousness upon children's children.'

Bell 8 F sharp, 3ft. 8ins., 1,733 lbs.

Given by his family, in memory of Levi Cooke 1882-1932.

Bell 9 E, 4ft. 1in., 2,320 lbs.

Given by Mary White Anderson and friends of Virginia Saunders White (Mrs. Walter C. White) Mary Virginia 1889-1951.

Bell 10 Tenor, D, 4ft. 7ins., 3,588 lbs.

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## A HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY

Many ringers of the other generation who have visited the Sittingbourne area will remember Mrs. Mary A. Dobbie, who celebrated her 100th birthday on May 26th. Wife of the late Walter Dobbie (a ringer) and mother of four ringing sons, Stanley B., Clarence H. and the late Ernest J. and Alexander Dobbie, she has entertained many ringers at her home.

In honour of the event a quarter peal of 1,296 Cambridge Minor was rung at the Church of Holy Trinity, Milton Regis, where she was churchwarden for many years, by: George A. Taylor 1, Doris G. Dobbie (granddaughter) 2, Sheila M. Dobbie (granddaughter-in-law) 3, Clarence H. Dobbie (son) 4, Stanley B. Dobbie (son) 5, Walter H. Dobbie (grandson, cond.) 6.

Mrs. Dobbie, still hale and hearty, listened for part of the time to the ringing from the churchyard.

Among Mrs. Dobbie's visitors during the day were representatives of the church, the local council and the St. John Ambulance Brigade (Sittingbourne Division), which she helped to establish 40 years ago and served for many years as lady superintendent, retiring at 90 years of age. In 1929 she was made a Serving Sister of the Venerable Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem.

W. H. D.

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

## Mansfield District

The Mansfield District eliminating contest for the Crawford Cup took place at Edwinstowe on May 23rd, following tea and a short business meeting in the Church Hall.

The bells, a rather light ring, with a fairly long draught, contrasted 'strikingly with the heavy going six at Mansfield Woodhouse, used during the afternoon. There were only two entrants and with several new faces in their team Warsop won easily, ringing 360 Norwich Surprise, with 26 faults. The second team, Greasley, incurred 66 faults. The judges were Messrs. D. Cooper and H. Poyner.

Ringling continued until 8 p.m., when Compline, conducted by the Rev. W. Pickles, rounded off a very pleasant day.

D. J. B.

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## Liverpool University Society

The following elections were made at the A.G.M. of the Liverpool University Society on May 1st for the 1964-65 session: Ringing Master, R. S. Starkie; secretary, J. J. Fox, 65, Midland Road, Royston, nr. Barnsley; treasurer, M. A. Phillips; committee member, John H. Fielden.

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**CHILTERN CAPERS**

The first-ever Barton-le-Cley, Beds. ringers' outing began well on the fine six bells at Amersham, and continued somewhat tardily on the eight at 'Our Man at St. Mark's,' Denham.

Members were delighted to be joined by two locals in a course of Kent at Chalfont St. Peter. (Why no reply to four letters from Chalfont St. Giles?) The majestic eight at Beaconsfield followed, then a hurriedly arranged strictly bread-and-jam-and-cakes only tea in a town surprisingly lacking in catering facilities. While still at full strength a plain course of Cambridge was achieved on the resonant six at Penn.

At Great Kimble, to everyone's consternation, the fifth remained stolidly stationary—no time to find out why. The final tower, Aston Clinton, was the best of the day. Fittingly, here was rung the best touch of the day, Double Court.

Well done, hon sec, Bob Ashby. Grateful thanks to incumbents and 'people with the keys.'

G. M. P.

**ASHBOCKING AND HENLEY, SUFFOLK**

An enjoyable half-day was spent on May 9th as an outing for the young recruits at Ashbocking and Henley. Ringers from the Ipswich area made up the party and several methods as well as plenty of Plain Bob were rung.

The four towers visited were Grundisburgh, Saxmundham, Southwold and Blythburgh.

Judging by the lusty singing on the homeward journey, a good time was had by all.

A. T. B.

**DEVON GUILD**

Special guest at a half-day outing of the Devon Guild on May 13th was Mr. A. W. Coles, of London. An hour and a half was spent at Buckfast Abbey, where the ringing finished with a well struck 378 of Grandsire Triples. After a tea at a local cafe ringing was enjoyed at Holne and Bickington. Before departing thanks were accorded to Mr. A. L. Benne for making the arrangements.

**OUTINGS****BIGGLESWADE DISTRICT**

Kent in apple-blossom time! What a sight awaited the Biggleswade ringers when they visited that fertile and beautiful county on May 9th. Amid all this beauty we still found time for a little bell-ringing, and the excellent ring of eight at St. Nicholas, Sevenoaks, were put to good use. Next came Tonbridge, where lunch was taken before ringing at SS. Peter and Paul, another splendid eight.

Approaching Brenchley, the roads became less crowded as the scenery became more attractive, and the charm and peacefulness of Brenchley will not soon be forgotten (incidentally, we had the best ringing of the day here). At Goudhurst we found out what the words 'odd-struck' really mean! Nevertheless, an interesting hour was spent on this heavy eight, which made us appreciate the very adequate tea which followed.

The bells at the lovely and interesting church of St. Michael, Marden (8), were well rung which was just as well, as ringing at the last tower, West Malling, came to an abrupt end through the breaking of a rope.

Altogether, a quite memorable day, and everyone will join me in thanking Mr. L. H. Bywaters for his excellent organisation.

A. E. R.

**KING'S LYNN**

Delays arising from the heavy traffic on Whit Monday caused the ringers of St. Margaret's, King's Lynn, and St. Faith's, Gayford, to miss Woburn and St. Peter's, Bedford.

Nevertheless, there was some enjoyable ringing at Clifton, Bedfordshire, Old Warden, Husborne Crawley, Olney and Eaton Socon. Lunch was enjoyed in the grounds of Woburn Abbey, and on the homeward journey through the Fens a final stop for refreshments at March was appreciated.

**STRATTON, CORNWALL**

Stratton ringers had their usual Whit Monday outing and visited South Devon. Visitors from Kent and Oxford were included. At Newton St. Cyres they were met by ringers from Plymouth and Exeter and good ringing ensued. A stay had to be repaired at Exminster before ringing and another Kent ringer, Carole Sone, joined the party at Dawlish. Lunch was at Teignmouth and was followed by scoring Double Norwich and Siedman at St. Michael's Church.

Cambridge Minor was attempted at Bishops-teignton and Double Court brought round The evening ringing was at Chudleigh and Chagford. A stop at Okehampton for refreshment brought a day of good bells, grand scenery and excellent company to an end.

E. J. L.

**BADSWORTH, YORKS.**

A small party of ringers from Hemingbrough, Yorks, succeeded, after oiling and repairing three ropes, to get the four bells at Badsworth, near Pontefract, ringing again on May 23rd. The bells were rehung in an iron frame in 1916 and were last rung in 1945 for the end of the second world war. The tenor is 13 cwt. 24 lb. in E. The bells sound well and don't ring too badly.

G. F. J.

**AXBRIDGE BRANCH**

An early start, at 6.45 a.m., was made by nearly 70 members and friends of the Axbridge Branch of the Bath and Wells Association on May 9th for their outing to Devon. The first tower was Buckfast Abbey, where the bells enjoyed for an hour. After lunch at Paignton, the two coaches parted company—one visiting Paignton and Upton and the other Tor and Babbacombe, where the other coach rejoined. Before tea those who had the energy explored Babbacombe and Oddicombe Bays. For evening ringing one coach went to Pinhoe and the other to Broadclyst. They met for a pleasant half-hour before the journey home. All who helped are thanked.

M. L.

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Miss Marie R. Cross informs us that she was not on holiday in U.S.A. as stated in this column. She had been given a sabbatical month by the local Education Authority to study American Primary Education and new trends in it. We are gratified to learn that it was not all work as she is listed with Miss Hilary Muirhead, the Rev. M. Melville and Mr. John Seager by Mr. George Pipe as having rung Washington Cathedral bells during the time of the visit of the English ringers.

The ringer of the seventh in the peal at Southover, Lewes (p. 361), was Ian V. J. Smith and not as printed.

When St. Aldate's, Oxford, had their first outing for several years on May 30th, the organiser, Mr. Edward Venn, lost a 'pint sinking contest' to a lady!

Mr. Frank Hilliar is thanked by the conductor of the peal at Oketford Fitzpaine, Dorset, for standing down to enable the Rev. R. N. Longridge to ring his first peal.

Mr. Wilfred Williams asks us to state that in regard to the peal of Surprise Royal at Truro published in our last issue there was not a second start. The bells were rung for rope adjustment only with rounds. Only one splice was required before 'Go' was called.

For the benefit of visitors Mr. Charlie Sangwin, of Stratton, arranged a half-day tour of North Devon on May 23rd. Towers visited were Great Torrington, Barnstaple, Bideford and Appledore, where Mr. G. J. Ladd was able to ring with the blind vicar of Westleigh, late of Kent and Northam.

Mr. W. E. Court and family will be home in England shortly from Canada. Writing from Vancouver he states he motored 1,450 miles to get there. In ringing at Holy Rosary, Vancouver, and Westminster Abbey, Mission City, he has completed his longest ever tower snatch. His regret is that time prevents him visiting Victoria Cathedral on Vancouver Island. The journey from Saskatchewan across the Rocky Mountains and Coastal Range is an experience not to be missed, he concludes.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

Mr. Frank Price stayed a second week in America after Washington. Part of the time was spent at Peterborough, New Hampshire, where he has relatives and his photograph appears on the front page of 'The Peterborough Transcript' playing the console of the electric bells. He gave two lectures on bells and ringing at Groton and while there a quarter of Stedman Doubles was rung.

The peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major at Stoney Stanton on May 22nd was the first ever to be rung by a Hinckley District band.

Ringling this year at St. Mary's Basilica, Sydney, includes quarters of Double Norwich Court Bob Major, Stedman Triples and Cambridge Surprise Major.

With the peal of Bristol at Sherborne, which is, incidentally, only the second in the method on the bells, Barrie Hendry completed his 100th peal of Major on tower bells; the peal at Mells was his first peal of Lincolnshire as conductor.

A Dutch organisation, which is interested in forming and training a blind group of handbell ringers, would like to contact a similar group in Great Britain. Write: 'Bartemeus,' Christelijk Instituut voor Blinden en Slechtzienden, Utrechtseweg, 84, Zeist Holland, (Mr. B. C. Mante, Jr., Publicity Department.)

When the Society of Raving Ringers had an outing in North Bucks after leaving the last tower, Hanslope, one of the younger members was bet a pint he couldn't stand on his head. Of course he couldn't, but the rather older and portly gentleman who laid the bet was on his head within seconds to everybody's amusement. Shades of Father William!

The 90th birthday of Mr. J. B. Hallifax, of Fleet, Lincs, who is a founder member of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, was celebrated by special ringing at Fleet Church on May 25th. Mr. Hallifax himself conducted a touch, in which the combined ages of the band was 421 years. They were Mr. Chapman 1, C. Perkins 2, J. B. Hallifax 3, C. Brundall 4, G. R. Butler 5, H. Waltham 6.

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# TEN MEN WENT TO SOW

*The Washington Story*

**May 2nd - May 10th, 1964**

BY GEORGE W. PIPE

HOW those last few days of April seemed to drag as the exciting prospect of our trip to Washington drew tantalisingly near! And yet, it seemed, all at once we were standing in London Airport on that memorable Saturday morning, May 2nd. Wives, children, parents and friends, cases, cabin bags, tickets and passports, cameras, handbells and magazines—and we in the midst of it all.

It was good to see Mrs. Pitstow, Marjorie Hill, Jill Staniforth, Eileen Chilcott, Sheila and Mrs. Price and their families, looking as thrilled as we were, and then Bill Coles' and Douglas Hughes' firm handshakes and a friendly push towards the terminal gateway to make sure we were 'getting to the plane on time!'

We finally taxied off at 11.30 a.m. to the waves of the girls from the balcony. Up and up into the clouds and beyond in what was to be our flying home for the next eight or nine hours. Peter felt a wee bit nervous but soon cheered up when he broke his no-smoking habit, and it wasn't long before we all relaxed and started to chat and take in our surroundings. In fact, so charming were the hostesses that George Fearn immediately recalled some new methods they might try in Birmingham—38-24-36 perhaps! The flight was great fun, and with the northern and southern accents all around us we soon felt as if we were in the U.S.A.

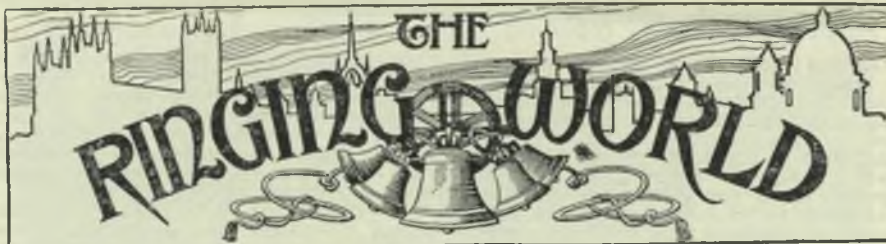
Cruising at 35,000 feet over the Atlantic, we settled down to a good lunch of 'Beef' man, and in no time seemed to be following the ice-bound coast of Labrador. Frank Price was given the chance of spending two hours 'up-front,' so, armed with our cameras, off we went. Curiously enough, ten minutes later the plane seemed to develop a tail wobble—perhaps a cross wind?

## Bell Ties create interest

Customs were cleared at New York—the officials seemed much more interested in our bell ties than baggage, and after a chat to Harold Pitstow were quite happy to let us all through! Washington came into view at 4 p.m.—very soon we had our hosts and hostesses. But if we thought we would lightly skip down the gangway and walk across the tarmac—oh no! A voice cracked over the intercom: 'Passengers will remain seated please while the mobil-lounge approaches the aircraft. This, ladies and gentlemen, is the latest carncarp in passenger transportation.' Fancy! Sure enough, a huge monster approached us that was literally a moving hotel lounge, enabling us to step right off the aircraft, straight into the airport buildings.

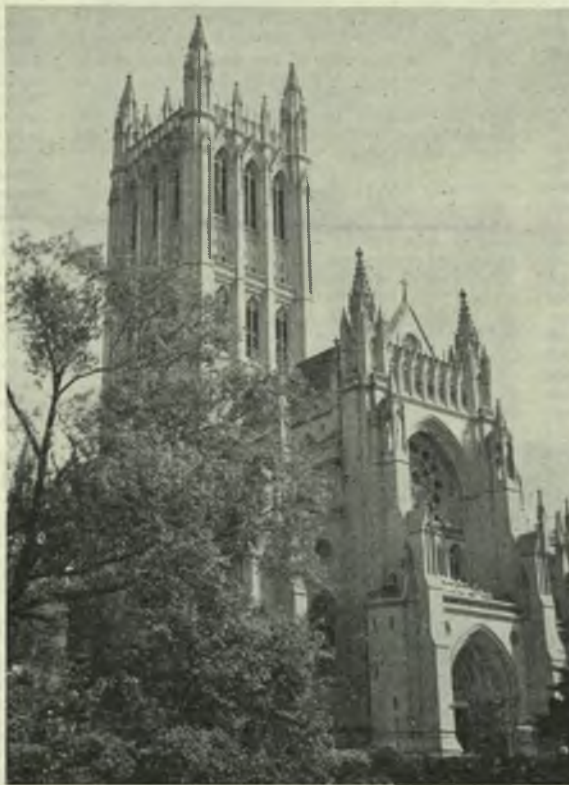
Whisked into the ultra-modern Dulles airport we were soon spotted by Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Dirksen and Rick, Mr. and Mrs. Tufts and then Mrs. Rockwood Foster. What a wonderful hostess in every way Margot Foster proved to be, and the success of the ensuing week was due in no small measure to her organisation and the delightful glimpses she gave us of life in Washington. And what a team of helpers she had built round her!

After driving out to our various homes for the week, we were then guests of the Dean, the Very Rev. Francis B. Sayre, and Mrs. Sayre at a dinner party, together with our individual hosts. This was a most happy evening spent informally on the Deanery terraces and garden.



## The Cathedral

Our first Sunday in Washington was a memorable one indeed. Apart from the warm sunshine filtering through the tree-lined streets and showing off the massed azaleas, dogwoods and cottonwoods—reds, pinks, greens and whites of a hundred shades—we were able to have a good look at the Cathedral as we made our various ways for 11 o'clock Sung Eucharist. And what a truly magnificent sight it is! Out of the trees and gardens, on a natural hill some two or three hundred feet above the Potomac Valley and soaring in white stone to 301 feet stands what must be one of the very finest ecclesiastical achievements of all time.



The 'Gloria in Excelsis' Tower, Washington Cathedral, from the S.W. (The belfry windows and gallery are immediately under the upper louvres.)

The architect, Philip H. Frohman, freely admits that Lincoln, Canterbury, Worcester, Wells and Gloucester gave birth to the vision and inspiration of this place—dedicated to SS. Peter and Paul, and quite literally for the ten of us it took our breath away.

Criticism of a Gothic style church in the 20th century has been silenced by Dean Sayre's crisp answer, 'Our cathedral must stand, not for 30 or 300 years but for 3,000 years, a symbol of Christianity and a tribute to the building perfection of the 14th century.' The ancient glory has been planted fresh and bold in the New World, and we might well say that God is praised in Washington by the fairest tower in Christendom.

Our seats in the south transept, looking towards the already famous Last Judgment rose window, enabled us to take a full part in the service and celebration. The Dean preached from John xvi. 23, and it was soon quite plain why this man, a grandson of Woodrow Wil-

son, has become known not only as such a notable theologian and orator but a friend of all mankind.

## The First Ring

It seemed that a few hundred other people too were eagerly awaiting the opening touch, to take place immediately after the service. And so, accompanied by, it was estimated, nearly two hundred (and the belfry held them quite easily), we made our way by the two elevators up to the ringing room. Lifts do occasionally get stuck you know, but by detailing off the equivalent weight of five Staniforths and two Chilcotts, everybody made it as far as we know! It was hard to keep our enthusiasm and awe within bounds, because not only in 'things Cathedral' no detail appeared to have been overlooked. And the belfry itself was no exception—surely the most remarkable that had ever been seen. It is nearly 50 feet across, the ropes and mats in purple stand in a perfect circle on a raised rostrum, and the general décor is in cream and grey. Beyond the 48 spacious windows the view was really something. With the lift and staircase doors in one corner, this leaves the remaining three for furniture, and the belfry was in the process of being fitted out with wall-to-wall carpets and abundant leather upholstered chairs. With the polished wood tables and bookcase there was an almost living-room atmosphere. My photograph unfortunately doesn't do it justice. We were to live with this for three or four hours a day for the next week, so we got quite used to it, but as one visitor from Connecticut was heard to say, 'Man, that's some belfry—and I don't see no bats eether!'

## Applause follows Touch

The first touch was a somewhat nerve-racking experience, but John Chilcott took everything quietly and organised us with a minimum of fuss. The three course of Stedman Caters went like clockwork, and the applause at the end was tremendous; the first time any of us remember being clapped after tower bells!

A good lunch followed, given by Mrs. Norman Erb and Miss Alice Shurcliff, daughter of the famous handbell ringer, Mrs. Shurcliff, of Boston. These ladies had a downstairs room for their handbells, and some rousing numbers were rendered. Norman, himself an accomplished tune ringer in the English style, bit off a little more than he could chew by accepting a handful of bells for 'Crossing the Minch.' However a vigorous prod from one Francesca Curzon soon put him in tune!

Our first teaching period of two hours with tied bells took place in the afternoon, and it was very gratifying to see the response to the appeal for ringers and their enthusiasm. It was mainly handling and bell control, handbell tuition and some elementary theory.

The evening dinner party as guests of Edwin and Todd Dale was a huge success; good food and wine, plenty of laughs, handbell ringing and tunes with some of our new friends, 'plain hunting' by movement (it almost finished up like a barn dance). Then the talented Frank Price at the piano, after two nice pieces nonchalantly playing a course of L. Bob Maximus!



## At School Monday morning

Our first school talk and demonstration came on Monday morning first thing at the Potomac School, Norman doing the job admirably. So well, in fact, that he (with Wilf assisting) became our principal lecturer for the week. These talks, generally one, sometimes two a day, followed a similar format, though of course the approach varied with the age groups. These were mostly ten to sixteen-year-olds. It rather amused us that every little demonstration was applauded, especially when their own classmates were called on! Our three schoolmasters were shown round just to keep them in trim and to see if they were getting fair treatment back in England.

We were guests of honour at the National Music Week luncheon at International Inn, which included the appearance of the Metropolitan Opera House star Risë Stevens. A splendid lunch, followed by the usual speeches, and then our first glimpse of Nancy Poore Tufts in action and her Potomac handbell ringers, in traditional costume. Both this and our own change ringing were well received, and people murmured about 'this new art form—gee!'

The second practice session, three hours, enabled us to formulate a plan for teaching for the remainder of the week. We were divided into four groups, headed by the two Yorkshiremen, and covered handling and bell control, rounds and elementary call changes, handbells and theory. These groups were quite flexible and in general worked extremely well. All we needed was time! The progress was most encouraging, bearing in mind that we only had a mere week, so we decided to follow this pattern.

The dinner party given by Mr. and Mrs. Ernest May in their sumptuous home on 52nd Terrace that evening will long be remembered. Everyone in gay mood, immensely keen it seemed on the Cathedral, its carillon and bells, chatting about times spent in England and Europe. John Freeman, beaming face behind horn-rimmed glasses as a group of attractive ladies plagued him with questions, and then roars of laughter as G.E.F. quite quietly turned to someone and said, 'I reckon they're making a mockery of ringing—bringing us to a slum like this!!'

## Tuesday, T.V. and Tufts

On Tuesday we had to be at school at 8.30 a.m. sharp, handbells and all, and there we were able to welcome Doug. Hughes, who had flown in the previous afternoon. Douglas' preliminary arrangements and his very generous attitude towards our trip are much appreciated, and we were glad that his business commitments had allowed him a few days off.

The gym of the National Cathedral Girls' School was packed, and another lecture and handbell demonstration given. So appreciative were the audience, staff and girls alike, that before we left someone anonymously donated a set of twelve handbells for use at the school. Potomac, under their music master John Langstaff, have their own set, two or three octaves in fact, so we can expect some healthy public school bell and belle competition before the Fall!

We were warned of the 'Radio and Telly Hounds' when we arrived, and although the week seemed plagued at times with reporters and cameras, it always had its amusing side. There was the case when we had just lowered the Cathedral bells after practice, a photographer had somehow found the lift in the south transept and made his way to the belfry, insisting on a moving shot. We did our best to explain that we could only stand by the ropes, but, as he held up his box of tricks, 'Say, you guys, let's have a bit of ACTION!'

But appear on T.V. we had to, no escaping it. The sincerity of the announcers churning out the ads. was really touching, but in spite of that Wayne Drksen and Norman, with us backing up with some Bob Royal, made a good feature of it and got the message over to the public.

## At Great Falls

Our visit to the Smithsonian Institute would need a supplement in itself, so vast is this galaxy of museums, galleries and exhibitions. Nevertheless, we managed an interesting cross-section and enjoyed a good lunch. Although the programme said 'Free' for a couple of hours afterwards, the chance of a visit out to Great Falls, a series of rapids and waterfalls on the Potomac, was too good to miss, especially in such perfect weather. Seeing Wilfrid, Peter and Harry reclining in the deep

luxury of a Buick Electra 225 as we cruised up the Potomac Highway—well these just didn't look like ringers at all!

The three-hour belfry session was beginning to get results, and already some of the better hands were ringing rounds on four, five and six, tied clappers, of course. Margot had persuaded her husband Adam—a good friend to us all that week—to learn, and with him Adam, jun. Although these were fairly long teaching spells, they went very quickly because there were always questions, activity, theory, movement from one group to another at the half-way mark, and if one managed to get a breather, the sights from the belfry windows on all sides were so photogenic there was never a dull moment. Then with our own little kitchen in one corner of the belfry and Margot's tea and cookies, teaching in Washington was never a chore.

Late afternoon Bill Hughes flew into Dulles Airport from London, the twelfth and last of the English party and, as several of us hadn't had the pleasure of meeting him before, it was an especially pleasant occasion.

The evening dinner was something of a classic and had been eagerly awaited by us all! Mr. and Mrs. William O. Tufts had invited us and several other folk besides to their home in a most exquisite setting in Riverside Road, several miles from the city centre, and on the water's edge of the river. Nancy is an astonishingly vigorous lady, and we had a great time. Cocktails on the lawns amongst the azaleas and silver birches, lively conversation, regaling with choice food from a groaning table and fruit punch from the cutest little oriental bowl you ever did see (must have been 2ft. 6in. across).

The tables cleared and out came the handbells—six octaves and more, and we make no hesitation in saying the American tune-ringing on the scale we saw it that evening is a most stirring experience. Handel's Largo from Rinaldo, and then accompanied by the viola l'amour, several glees and folk songs. The more enthusiastic we became so did they, until after a subtle change of mood by Nancy Poore Tufts, her husband Bill, managing quite adroitly until then, was heard to blurt out, 'Say, Nance, I just dunno where I'm s'posed to be!'

Some good songs by baritone Frank Abel ('The Keeper' and Purcell's 'Passing By'), and then our turn to round off the evening, which we did with a Bob course of Stedman Cinques.

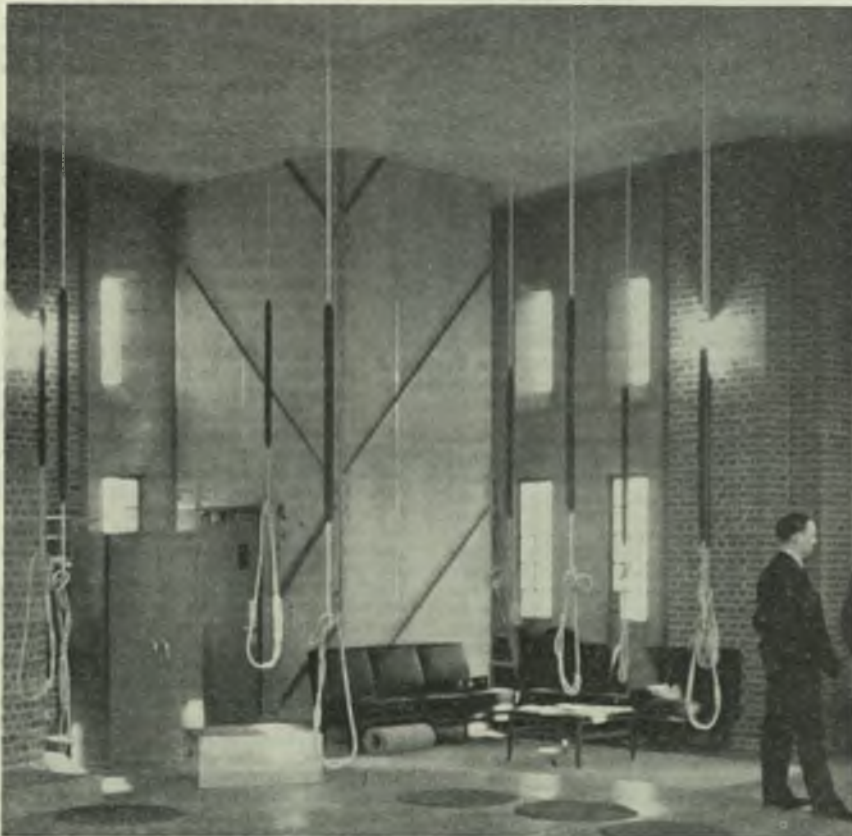
## The White House

The weather so far had been perfect and was to remain so for the whole week, so that traditional meeting topic was rarely discussed as we teamed up each morning, 'on parade' at 8 a.m. usually! Everyone had looked forward to our hour or so at The White House, and we weren't disappointed. The more we saw of Washington the more we liked it. Despite its highly individualistic layout and character, its trees and parks, government buildings and Embassies, one could see glimpses of London, Canberra, Paris and Edinburgh at their very best.

Our time at the President's House was all too short, but enough to show us some of its treasures and the good taste and personal restoration under the care of Jacqueline Kennedy.

Then a real glimpse of London as we crossed Pennsylvania Ave. into Lafayette Sq. to visit St. John's, a delightful church in the transitional style of Colonial Georgian and Greek Revivalism. This is the 'Church of the Presidents,' since every President from James Madison onwards has attended occasional services here, and many, of whom Roosevelt was one, have been regular worshippers. Its 1822 bell was cast by Paul Revere, from a cannon used in the 1812 war and weighs about 9 cwt., the subject of much pride to Helen Griffith, who gave us such a nice hour or so's guide to St. John's.

Wednesday's lecture and demonstration, although in a perfect setting in one of the State Rooms in the British Embassy worried Norman a little on hearing that his pupils were only six years old instead of the usual 10-16, but the job was done admirably, much to the delight of the children, their governesses and the Embassy staff. And then the look of wonderment later turning to impish mirth when they



The Cathedral Belfry—in the process of being carpeted!



heard the story of Sir Walter Raleigh and the "Muddy Puddle" in Smeeld English! The dark eyed Caroline Kenney was in the group who looked so angelic, all sitting cross legged on the floor on the deep carpets, and when they heard that Harold came from Westminster he couldn't resist the cries of 'Oon!' and forthwith gave them a little talk on the Abbey. 'Now you have all heard of the Queen, haven't you?' 'Oon, yes,' said one boldly, 'an' she's the same age as my mummy!'

### Into The Capitol

Back into the cars again and this time on Government business, lunch, and a tour of the Capitol. The approach to these buildings is really impressive, everything in shining white marble and stone against a backdrop of trees and gardens. There were people everywhere, and the large car park looked packed like sardines. A burly officer halted our car—there wasn't the slightest chance of getting in; an important debate or something. 'I'm sorry, not to be outdone replied: 'But, officer, these gentlemen are ENGLISH bellringers, here to dedicate Washington Cathedral bells.' 'Ma'am, he replied, 'I appreciate that but those guys in there are makin' the law.' 'Yes, officer, but these men are on the Central Council—imagine that.' 'Ah, well, I guess you'd better nip in that spot there and say nothin'.' 'Thanks,' said our hostess, 'you're a pal!'

A good lunch inside the buildings and then on to their own underground into the Capitol proper. We had glimpses of the Senate and House of Representatives in debate and a most interesting hour's tour. Standing under the great Rotunda and gazing at the 300 ft. Brumdi frieze depicting events in American history and seeing life-sized statues of its Presidents, it seemed hard to grasp that so much has been achieved by this country in the mere 175 years since George Washington's time.

We split up for tea held on the lawns of the houses of Mr. and Mrs. Hadsel and Mr. and Mrs. Eric Wentworth, and then to crown the day a three-hour teaching session from 7.30 to 10.30 p.m. We felt as if we were in the last three hours of the 40,320, but at least we could have a cigarette and a sit down beforehand!

### Ascension Day Dedication

Things seemed to come to a climax on Thursday and this glorious occasion will long be remembered by many thousands of people. From sunrise the Cathedral and gardens were massed with people bedecked in an infinite variety of colours, smiling and enthusiastic. All services were to be held on the steps, in the Pilgrim's Way, and in the sunken gardens below the South Transept and something like 400 ft. below the pinnacles of the Gloria in Excelsis tower. The 7 a.m. Festival Service of Holy Communion, with the dew still on the grass and all the freshness of an early summer morning, was something that made our hearts rejoice at belonging to the Christian Church. Rev. Malcolm Melville joined us and quite near to us, we discovered afterwards, and receiving the Sacrament, the Roman Catholic Bishop-elect of the Diocese.

Later on at 10.15 came a Festival Service of Morning Prayer and just before this, on a balcony high outside the Transept, we heard Wayne Dirksen, in charge of the dedication arrangements, introduce Bill and Doug Hughes to the assembled throng and welcome the English ringers.

During the morning the first handbell peal in the U.S.A. was rung at the home of Mrs. John D. Phillipsborn. Helen Phillipsborn was a most charming host and 3516 Lowell Street, N.W., was 'open house' for many of us during the week. Here are the details.

Washington D.C., United States of America.  
On Thursday, May 7th, 1964, in 2 hours and 11 mins., at the residence of Mrs. Helen Phillipsborn, 3516 Lowell St., N.W.16

**A Peal of 5056 Plain Bob Major**

Tenor size 15 in C.

Peter J Staniforth 1-2 John Freeman 5-6  
Frank C. Price 3-4 Wilfrid F. Moreton 7-8

Composed by Thomas Chapman.

Conducted by Frank C. Price.

First handbell peal in the U.S.A. Rung as a compliment to the hosts and hostesses of the band in Washington.



Some of the party at 'Great Falls'—Mrs. Margot Foster, the principal hostess, is second from the left.

We congratulated our colleagues on this, actually the second peal ever rung in the States, the first being Grandsire Triples on tower bells at Christ Church, Philadelphia, in 1850, conducted by Henry Haley.

Then came the dedication of the Gloria in Excelsis tower and a notable utterance by Mr. Earl Warren, the Chief Justice of the United States.

By 2 p.m. the temperature was touching 90 degrees and yet still the people came, and by Evensong time at 4 p.m. the British Ambassador, Lord Harlech, arrived. We were introduced to him and some of us were able to meet Robert F. Kenney, the Attorney General. And what a delight to meet some old British ringers! Jack Brothwell's brother Jim (86) and George Williams (84), from Barry, South Wales, who used to ring with John W. Jones and still takes 'The Ringing World'.

The actual dedication of the bells took place at 5 p.m. immediately following Evensong, after Rick Dirksen, Douglas Hughes and the Dean had participated in presenting a bell-roped to the Bishop, the Rt. Rev. William F. Creighton, D.D. We were escorted to the tower for a quarter peal of Stedman Caters and although Rick endeavoured to keep sight-seers and photographers to a minimum at least 200 were present in the belfry during the ringing.

It was a mixture of an ordeal and yet extreme delight that it made a lump come into our throats at the sight of the crowd. John Chilcott had a big job to do in conducting but as we had come to expect of him, he did it splendidly. The applause at the end was deafening and the Lincoln John quite thought it meant an initiation into the Top Ten!

Did somebody say 'A glass of Bass?' Well, it was there afterwards, in a private house near the Cathedral. Nothing had been forgotten by Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey M. Wilson who were with it!

The remainder of Thursday gave us time to relax a bit, although we didn't feel like missing the Kibbey Memorial Carillon. This comprises 54 bells, each carrying an inscription from the Psalms, the bass bell weighing 24,000 lbs. in the key of E flat. These were cast by John Taylor and Co. and we felt it was very appropriate that both our founders were thus represented and offering the best of their skills to the New World.

The day was rounded off (officially) by the floodlighting of the Gloria in Excelsis tower and a festival concert including the singing of the 'Gloria' from Bach's B Minor Mass.

A late party at the Deanery and an even later one at 'Helen's place' and that was us for another day.

### George Washington's Home

Possibly the nicest trip of the week was out to Mt. Vernon, the plantation home and estate of George Washington, on Friday. We spent the whole morning there including lunch 'in the most pleasant estate in United America, on high ground, in a dry and healthy climate, 300 miles by water from the sea and on one of the finest rivers in the world.' Thus the first President wrote to a friend in England, 150 years ago.

And a lovely spot it is too, carefully planned, lying in the folds of the hills above the Potomac, a part of Fairfax County in the State of Virginia, and originally 8,000 acres in extent. Everything has been preserved where possible, the Colonial-style mansion, its furniture, the lawns, terraces and gardens are there for all to see.

There were two schools on the agenda for the afternoon so we split up. Wilf took some of us to 'Friends' School whilst Norman and Co. visited John Eaton School. Both lectures and handbell demonstrations went off well, with something like 500 pupils present.

Call changes on the ten, some elementary hunting and polishing up handling styles were the main features of the three-hour practice session and this was rounded off by three leads of Treble Ten with Frank ringing 2-3.

### At a Cabaret!

Our evening hosts for dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fearey, personal friends of the late John Foster Dulles. Another warm evening, exquisite food and drink, tunes and Grandsire Caters on the patio and nicely informal. But while our ten associates were thus loafing, Frank and I had an appointment—'Mauri's Hideaway.'

Picture the scene. A cabaret-restaurant in the Soho of Washington—a big ham of an interviewer and 'personality' Steve Allison by name, whose speciality was finding people with unusual or controversial interests and then pulling them to pieces to the delight or otherwise of the audience.

We were warned about this fellow but were particularly asked if we would participate both for the fun of it and the publicity value it could give to the bells at the Cathedral. So it fell to the two youngest to go and do battle. As Dean Sayre politely said afterwards: 'What a jerk that man is!' But it all went off well and quite truthfully we enjoyed the experience of playing 'Steve' at his own game.

Saturday the last day in Washington and how that week had gone! The final three-hour practice session from nine until noon achieved something which we'd hoped for but weren't quite sure if we would have the time. Rick Dirksen rang the treble to a 720



Plain Bob Minor and jolly well he did it too. Several of the other boys had their first taste of Bob Minor too and the morning was rounded off by ringing what everyone felt they could manage under guidance. It also enabled John Segar, from Smeard, to join Marie Cross, Mary Muirhead and Malcolm Melville in having a ring as they had done when the chance had arisen during the week. We really worked hard that morning but now rewarding it all was.

On behalf of us all and the Central Council, Norman Chaddock presented copies of the 'Ringers' Handbook' and a bound set of books as given to theological Colleges to form a nucleus of their library. From Rotherham Parish Church a finely bound red leather, embossed, 'Vig-gers' book for quarter peals and visitors' names. He had also sent previously full sets of the now well known 'Weekend Course' literature of film strips, etc. Ricks' 720 enabled him to join the Yorkshire Association and thus a happy liaison has been formed.

One thing was in all our minds and that was if only someone were able to stay on, or move into Washington, for say six or 12 months to consolidate this week's activities. But one never knows—it happened in Canada (Vancouver), South Africa, and Australia. If keenness is any criterion these boys will certainly keep the Art alive in the States.

## The Peal

The first peal on the bells and of Royal in America.

Although we probably didn't care to admit it there was a certain 'tenseness' in the air as the time for the peal attempt drew near. And even the most succulent barbecued chickens, served up for lunch on the lawns of one of the British Embassy officials, didn't quite dispel it.

We knew deep down that 3½ hours could bring public criticism. Only once before had a peal been heard on tower bells in the States and that was in 1850 at Philadelphia. It had to be of a high standard and what's more we had only this one chance. But somehow the sight of G.E.F. drinking 'Coke' thinking it was 'Ansell's' and Harold tearing at a leg of chicken made us feel better. Nothing like a good lunch and then off to the Cathedral and jackets off, complete with the Hughes' tape recorder, the Dirksens and the Fosters, the last to wish us good luck, and a mere 92 degrees temperature for good measure, we pulled off.

The music was lovely, everyone doing their very best and then at the turning course that little bit of extra effort to ensure that last 16 handstroke courses would be as good as we could make them. The record is:

Washington D.C., United States of America, On Saturday, May 9th, 1964, in 3 hours and 25 mins., at the National Episcopal Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul

### A Peal of 5067 Stedman Caters

Tenor 32 cwt. 4 lbs. in D.

Peter J. Staniforth Treble Norman Chaddock 6  
John Chilcott 2 George W. Pipe 7  
Harold N. Pitstow 3 Frank C. Price 8  
John Freeman 4 Wilfrid F. Moreton 9  
George E. Fearn 5 Harry Parkes Tenor

Composed by David E. Parsons.

Conducted by John Chilcott.

The first peal on the bells and the first ten-bell peal in America. Rung for the dedication of the Gloria in Excelsis tower, the carillon and the bells of the Cathedral.

John did a great job and he and the two Harry's, the youngsters of the party, earned our congratulations. It was estimated that



The band outside Groton School Chapel after the peal. Left to right: George Pipe, John Freeman, Peter Staniforth, George Fearn, Norman Chaddock, Wilfrid Moreton, John Chilcott, Harry Parkes, Harold Pitstow and Frank Price.

during the ringing of the peal about 10,000 people thronged the Cathedral Close and gardens. Doug's followers on the Transept roof alternately clapped and cried and their enthusiasm was simply staggering.

But that wasn't all—Oh, no! High tea, buffet style, was all arranged in the 'Overcroft'—a large room in the apex of the South Transept. About 300 people were there, in the midst of them tables laden with food, surmounted by two of the biggest tubs of strawberries ever seen! Good to see those smiling faces again and Dean and Mrs. Sayre in the middle of them. Margot vowed it was the greatest and really everyone seemed overjoyed at the success of the peal.

## Presentations

Time was running all too short and we had a plane to catch but first a very pleasant duty to perform. John Chilcott presented to Margot Foster (the hostess with the mostest), on behalf of all of us, a suitably inscribed book, and then another to the Dean of the Cathedral, which he said would grace the belfry's new library. To all of us came a presentation book of photographs of the Cathedral, autographed by the Cathedral staff and handed to us, one by one, by Dean Sayre.

So to the handshakes and the 'au revoirs' and on to what was to be a bonus really—an extra day in America to be spent at Groton School. We were to fly out from the National Airport at 8 p.m. for Boston, 500 odd miles away. There were so many 'thank you's' due. To Margot and Adam Foster, Dean and Mrs. Sayre, the Dirksens and the Tufts, all our respective hosts and hostesses who made us so very welcome and made their homes completely open for our week. The fine group of boys, 25 to 30 of them, who had come along to learn the Art and whom we had the pleasure of teaching during our stay. Then the people who gave us luncheon and dinner parties, the school principals, and last but not least that wonderful group of ladies who provided automobiles (with a capital A!) Mesdames Briggs, Larrabee, McLelland, Kling, Cassidy, the inimitable Jackie Pendleton and the lovely Barbara Pittman. Where we wanted to go we just had to 'say the word'.

Washington D.C. looked a picture from the air and we sank back into those aircraft seats very tired, very happy, and with a 101 feelings and thoughts going through our minds.

## The Peal at Groton

Boston was reached some bit after 10 p.m.—nobody quite remembers when! Two of the masters of Groton School met us and drove us the 40 miles out to the school. We were mighty tired but not too much to enjoy the beer and cheese supper laid on in the headmaster's study. Dr. and Mrs. Crocker were thrilled that we had arranged to spend a day with them through an invitation by Russell Young.

Some of us managed the 8 a.m. Holy Communion celebrated by Rev. Charles Sheerin and the quarter of a mile walk to the chapel across the lawns in the morning sun was well worth the effort.

Breakfast was taken with the headmaster and his wife and one or two of the senior boys who were ringers. 'How are you finding our American food, Mr. Parkes?' said the Doctor to Harry. 'Oh, it's fine,' said he, 'but darned hard to recognise sometimes!'

Nason Hamblin, their captain, welcomed us to the belfry for service ringing of Stedman and Grand sire Triples and Caters, organised by Frank Price, the boys taking part. There was time for a short bit of tuition and

then a good half course of Cambridge Royal to finish.

Full strength at matins and coinciding with Parents' Day too, the chapel was full.

Much to our dismay though, that great personality Russell Young, master and tutor of the ringers was ill in bed. We knew how disappointed he would be not being able to get up and have a ring with us. We could do no more than send our good wishes to him for a speedy recovery and trust that our ringing would meet with his approval.

## A Good Peal

At the insistence of the Headmaster, Russell, the ringers and masters, we were to ring a full peal in the afternoon before flying back to London. John therefore asked Frank as a tribute to his work with the Groton boys to call the peal and Cambridge Royal was decided on.

They are a bonny ten, 18 cwt. in F, the middle bells a wee bit indistinct (this is going to be rectified) and 'go' like tops. A good peal was scored much to everyone's satisfaction and completed the trio for the week.

Groton, Massachusetts.

The Groton School Guild.

On Sunday, May 10th, 1964, in 3 hours and 10 mins., at the School Chapel of St. John the Evangelist.

### A Peal of 5040 Cambridge Surprise Royal

Tenor 18 cwt. in F.

John Chilcott Treble Norman Chaddock 6  
John Freeman 2 Wilfrid F. Moreton 7  
Harold N. Pitstow 3 George E. Fearn 8  
Peter J. Staniforth 4 Harry Parkes 9  
George W. Pipe 5 Frank C. Price Tenor

Composed by William Pye.

Conducted by Frank C. Price.

Another quick snack and it was 'Goodbye, Groton.' The plane wouldn't wait they said and Boston was 40 miles away.

Our thanks were expressed to all the staff and boys of this fine school and John made another presentation of a book on English Cathedrals to the school. This had been an all too brief, but very enjoyable stopover and we were glad to hear of plans for another Groton trip to England before long.

'Would you all fasten your safety belts please,' said the hostess, 'and observe the no smoking signal.' Was it really nine days since we had crossed the Atlantic?

London Airport at 7 a.m., our wives and families to greet us and we were home, thus ending the greatest of all ringing adventures.



## THE WASHINGTON WEEK

## NON-ASSOCIATION PEALS

On Thurs., May 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 11 Minutes,

At the residence of Mrs. Helen Phillipsborn,  
3516, Lowell Street, Washington, D.C., U.S.A.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

PETER J. STANFORTH .. 1-2	JOHN FREEMAN .. .. 5-6
FRANK C. PRICE .. .. 3-4	WILFRID F. MORETON .. 7-8

Composed by THOMAS CHAPMAN.

Conducted by FRANK C. PRICE.

First handbell peal in U.S.A. Tenor size 15 in C.

Rung as a compliment to the hosts and hostesses of the band in Washington.

On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,

At the National Episcopal Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Washington.

## A PEAL OF 5067 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 32 cwt. 4 lb. in D.

PETER J. STANFORTH .. Treble	NORMAN CHADDOCK .. .. 6
JOHN CHILCOTT .. .. 2	GEORGE W. PIPE .. .. 7
HAROLD N. PITSTOW .. 3	FRANK C. PRICE .. .. 8
JOHN FREEMAN .. .. 4	WILFRID F. MORETON .. 9
GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 5	HARRY PARKES .. .. Tenor

Composed by DAVID E. PARSONS.

Conducted by JOHN CHILCOTT.

First peal on the bells, and first 10-bell peal in America.

Rung for the dedication of the Gloria in Excelsis Tower, the carillon and the bells of the Cathedral.

## THE GROTON SCHOOL GUILD.

On Sun., May 10, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

At the School Chapel of St. John-the-Evangelist, Groton, Mass.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 18 cwt. in F.

JOHN CHILCOTT .. .. Treble	NORMAN CHADDOCK .. .. 6
JOHN FREEMAN .. .. 2	WILFRID F. MORETON .. 7
HAROLD N. PITSTOW .. 3	GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 8
PETER J. STANFORTH .. 4	HARRY PARKES .. .. 9
GEORGE W. PIPE .. .. 5	FRANK C. PRICE .. .. Tenor

Composed by WM. PYE.

Conducted by FRANK C. PRICE.

First peal on the bells, and of Royal in America.

Rung at the invitation of the headmaster, the staff and boys of Groton School; also as a compliment to Russell S. Young.

## A WEST COUNTRY WEEK-END

## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 4 Hours and 5 Minutes,

At the Abbey Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, Sherborne, Dorset.

## A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 46 cwt. 5 lb. in B flat.

DAVID J. PURNELL .. .. Treble	BARRIE HENDRY .. .. 5
MARYL R. CROSSTHWAITE .. 2	NEIL BENNETT .. .. 6
*BASIL JONES .. .. 3	A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. 7
CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE .. 4	*ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by BASIL JONES.

\* 200th peal together.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Whit Sunday, May 17, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew, Mells, Somerset.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 26 cwt.

A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. Treble	DAVID J. PURNELL .. .. 5
NEIL BENNETT .. .. 2	DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. 6
*MARYL R. CROSSTHWAITE .. 3	CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE .. 7
BASIL JONES .. .. 4	BARRIE HENDRY .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. BARTON.

Conducted by BARRIE HENDRY.

\* First peal in the method.

On Whit Monday, May 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 45½ Minutes,

At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, Yeovil, Somerset.

## A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 40 cwt. 79 lb. in C.

NEIL BENNETT .. .. Treble	DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. 6
GEORGE W. MASSEY .. .. 2	DAVID J. PURNELL .. .. 7
MARYL R. CROSSTHWAITE .. 3	CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE .. 8
BASIL JONES .. .. 4	A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. 9
BARRIE HENDRY .. .. 5	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by NEIL BENNETT.

## TWELVE BELL PEALS

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thurs., April 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip, Birmingham.

## A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

MURIEL REAY .. .. Treble	GERALD C. HEMMING .. 7
GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. 2	EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. 8
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 3	NORMAN W. GOODMAN .. 9
GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 4	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 10
RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 5	CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. 11
DAVID J. PURNELL .. .. 6	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by PETER BORDER.

On Thurs., May 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip, Birmingham.

## A PEAL OF 5042 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

MURIEL REAY .. .. Treble	EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. 7
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 2	GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 8
GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 3	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. 9
RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 4	DAVID J. PURNELL .. .. 10
BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 5	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. 11
MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. 6	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 34 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Giles, Cripplegate, London.

## A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 23 cwt. 6 lb. in D flat.

BROOKE K. LUNN .. .. Treble	JAMES PHILLIPS .. .. 7
TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. .. 2	JOHN S. MASON .. .. 8
ROBERT W. HINDE .. .. 3	PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. 9
F. JOHN NELSON .. .. 4	JAMES G. A. PRIOR .. 10
ALAN F. THIRST .. .. 5	PHILIP A. F. CHALK .. 11
JOHN PHILLIPS .. .. 6	RALPH G. EDWARDS .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by TUDOR P. EDWARDS.

## TEN BELL PEALS

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Thurs., May 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip, Birmingham.

## A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

MURIEL REAY .. .. Treble	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. 6
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 2	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. 7
J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. 3	DAVID J. PURNELL .. .. 8
GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 4	CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. 9
EDWARD W. COLLEY .. 5	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Bartholomew, Wednesbury, Staffordshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 24 cwt. 18 lb. in E flat.

MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. Treble	GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 6
BERYL E. CAWSE .. .. 2	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. 7
GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 3	FREDERICK ROSS .. .. 8
DAVID J. ALLEN .. .. 4	PETER BORDER .. .. 9
*MAURICE G. INGRAM .. 5	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

\* First peal of Royal, and in the method.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thurs., May 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

At the Church of St. Mary, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire.

## A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in E.

WALTER AYRE .. .. Treble	SUSAN E. WILLIAMS .. .. 5
WILLIAM C. HUGHES .. .. 2	PETER W. HARPER .. .. 6
AUGUSTIN V. GOOD .. .. 3	REGINALD E. SHEPPARD .. 7
*C. VALERIE MILLS .. .. 4	ANTONY R. KENCH .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. NICHOLL.

Conducted by ANTONY R. KENCH.

\* First peal attempt.

Rung to mark the priesting in St. Albans Abbey of Rev. Ian Bennett and Rev. Alec Knight.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter, Benington, Hertfordshire.

## A PEAL OF 5184 WHEMPSTEAD SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.

JACK S. DEAR .. .. Treble	ALICK CUTLER .. .. 5
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 2	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 6
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 3	COLIN A. S. HARWOOD .. 7
VERNON GREEN .. .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

First peal in the method. This method, which appears in Corrigan's Collection as Sunderland (No. 303), is now renamed as it is not related to Sunderland Surprise Royal.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., May 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael, Stoney Stanton, Leicestershire.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. in F sharp.

*LAWRENCE WATKINS .. Treble	JOHN WATKINS .. .. 5
†CHRISTOPHER M. STURGESS .. 2	BRIAN L. BURROWS .. .. 6
*K. PAUL GILLIVER .. .. 3	JOHN VERNON .. .. 7
ALFRED BALLARD .. .. 4	MICHAEL E. BROWN .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First of Surprise Major 'inside.'

‡ First in the method.

## WHEMPSTEAD SURPRISE MAJOR

—58—6—12—38—14—5.14—16.5

2nds place L.E. 17856342. 4ths place bobs.



## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Giles, Lincoln.

## A PEAL OF 5152 BELGRAVE SURPRISE MAJOR

*DELIA E. HEPPENSTALL .. Treble	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. 5
*MARGARET A. PARKER .. 2	*JOHN WALDEN .. 6
NORAH M. RANGLES .. 3	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. 7
*A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL .. 4	GEOFFREY PAUL .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. TIPLER. Conducted by GEOFFREY R. PARKER.  
\* First peal in the method. Tenor 18 cwt. 2 lb. in E.

## LONDON COUNTY ASSN. AND N. SOUTHWARK DIO. GUILD.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist with All Saints,  
Waterloo Road, Lambeth, London.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's variation of Thurstans'. Tenor 19 cwt.	
JACK PHILLIPS .. Treble	WILLIAM D. GRAINGER .. 5
MOLLY E. POWELL .. 2	WILLIAM T. COOK .. 6
CHARLES W. OTTLEY .. 3	WILFRID G. WILSON .. 7
A. FRANK UDALL .. 4	DR. D. G. H. HOLLIS .. Tenor

Conducted by WILFRID G. WILSON.

Rung to commemorate the ordination as priest of Rev. David Rhys, younger son of the Vicar of this parish.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter, Netherseale, Derbyshire.

## A PEAL OF 5088 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

WILLIAM G. WOODWARD .. Treble	H. GEORGE HART .. 5
BRIAN G. WARWICK .. 2	WILLIAM A. YATES .. 6
MRS. E. K. HART .. 3	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. 7
JOHN K. SMITH .. 4	JAMES LINNELL .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., May 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary, Willesden.

## A PEAL OF 5056 YOXFORD SURPRISE MAJOR

JOHN HILL .. Treble	DENNIS KNOX .. 5
S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN .. 2	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 6
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 3	ROGER BALDWIN .. 7
ALICK CUTLER .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.  
First peal in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Association. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,

At the Church of All Hallows, Twickenham, Middlesex.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

A. PATRICK CANNON .. Treble	SIDNEY J. WOODCOCK .. 5
JOHN D. ROCK .. 2	CYRIL F. LOW .. 6
FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. 3	FRANK C. PRICE .. 7
KATHLEEN M. HIGGINS .. 4	J. KEITH WARD .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by J. KEITH WARD.  
Rung in honour of the wedding of Robin G. Leale and Gillian A. Neal Smith at St. Matthias, Richmond, this day.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. Andrew and Patrick, Elveden, Suffolk.

## A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

HARRY B. FULLER .. Treble	PETER ADCOCK .. 5
WILLIAM CLOVER .. 2	THOMAS E. SPIGHT .. 6
ROY DUESBURY .. 3	*LESLIE F. BAILEY .. 7
*JANET H. BUSS .. 4	HENRY TOOKE .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by HENRY TOOKE.  
\* First peal in the method. Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb. in E.  
Rung to welcome Tamorah Jane, first grandchild of the treble ringer.

On Thurs., May 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, Saxlingham Nethergate, Norfolk.  
A PEAL OF 5184 SPLICED PLAIN AND LITTLE BOB MAJOR  
Being 1,728 Plain and 3,456 Little: 215 changes of method.

THOMAS R. SIMMONS .. Treble	MARTIN CUBITT .. 5
NOLAN GOLDEN .. 2	DAVID HEIGHTON .. 6
JANET H. BUSS .. 3	PETER KINDRED .. 7
DAVID CUBITT .. 4	PETER ADCOCK .. Tenor

Composed by NOLAN GOLDEN. Conducted by DAVID HEIGHTON.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Stephen, Clanfield, Oxfordshire.

## A PEAL OF 5120 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

*GILLIAN S. M. WALSH .. Treble	†MICHAEL J. STANLEY .. 5
†GORDON W. LAND .. 2	§E. WILLIAM FORD .. 6
†PETER WAKEFIELD .. 3	ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. 7
HUGH N. EVANS .. 4	BRIAN BLADON .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN J. IVIN. Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.  
\* First peal of Surprise. † First of Major in the method. ‡ First in the method. § First of Surprise Major. First of Major in the method as conductor. Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb.

On Thurs., May 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, Kirtlington, Oxfordshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

J. W. Washbrook's variation of Thurstans' Four-Part.

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in E.	
EDGAR J. SMITH .. Treble	EDWARD R. VENN .. 5
JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. 2	PETER A. SHARP .. 6
F. JOHN NELSON .. 3	JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. 7
WALTER F. JUDGE .. 4	FRANCIS A. WHITE .. Tenor

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, Stoke Mandeville, Bucks.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb.	
ROLAND BIGGS .. Treble	DENNIS KNOX .. 5
*JOYCE I. BARTON .. 2	JOHN YOUNG .. 6
SYDNEY M. BAILEY .. 3	DAVID A. CORNWALL .. 7
ROY WOODRUFF .. 4	L. JOSEPH YOUNG .. Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD. Conducted by DAVID A. CORNWALL.  
\* 25th peal. First of Plain Bob Triples by all except the fifth.

## THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes,

At the Church of Our Lady of Bloxham, Bloxham, Oxfordshire.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 27 cwt.	
BRUCE WAKEFIELD .. Treble	M. ROGER ASHMORE .. 5
CHRISTINE C. MACNAIR .. 2	JOHN S. RANK .. 6
*HILARY F. PARDOE .. 3	JOHN E. CAMP .. 7
JOHN W. THORP .. 4	NICHOLAS J. MARTIN .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY (No. 10). Conducted by JOHN E. CAMP.  
\* First peal of Surprise.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew, Heckington, Lincolnshire.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Pritchard's. Tenor 19 cwt. in E flat.	
*ALFRED WALLER .. Treble	ROY W. SPENCER .. 5
RONALD RUSSELL .. 2	*GILBERT F. COWLIN .. 6
*GEOFFREY DAVIS .. 3	ALAN V. JACQUES .. 7
RICHARD A. WEBSTER .. 4	JAMES H. MUSSON .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.  
\* First peal of Major.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Mary-the-Virgin and Thomas-a-Becket,  
Wymondham, Norfolk.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Pritchard's. Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr. in D.	
*ALAN M. BARBER .. Treble	PHILLIP J. ROTHERA .. 5
MICHAEL COWLING .. 2	C. MARTIN PRESS .. 6
DONALD F. MURFET .. 3	KENNETH J. HESKETH .. 7
PETER J. BROWN .. 4	*GEORGE E. THODAY .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN M. BARBER.  
\* 25th peal together. 25th peal as conductor.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Edburgha, Yardley, Birmingham.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Tenor 12 cwt. 72 lb. in F sharp.	
FRANK E. HAYNES .. Treble	CHARLES A. S. WEBB .. 5
SUSAN FUNNELL .. 2	HENRY H. FEARN .. 6
GEOFFREY DAVIES .. 3	CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. 7
J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. 4	FREDERICK ROSS .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN O. LANCASHIRE (222'singles and 90 bobs).  
Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Bartholomew, Edgbaston, Birmingham.

## A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 14 lb. in G.	
FRANK E. HAYNES .. Treble	BARRIE HENDRY .. 5
SUSAN FUNNELL .. 2	COLIN W. REED .. 6
BERYL N. REED .. 3	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. 7
NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. 4	GEORGE E. FEARN .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE BAKER. Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

## THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter, Broughton, Staffordshire.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb. in F.	
E. MARION KEY .. Treble	RICHARD E. MORRIS .. 5
BARNABAS G. KEY .. 2	*ERNEST C. MORRALL .. 6
ALBERT J. LAWTON .. 3	GEORGE E. MORRALL .. 7
EDWARD V. RODENHURST .. 4	FRANK BEECH, JUN. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by FRANK BEECH, JUN.  
\* First peal of Major 'inside.' First of Major as conductor.  
To welcome the birth of a daughter to H.R.H. Princess Margaret.



## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

At the Abbey Church of SS. Mary and Cuthbert, Worksop, Notts.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt.

*A. CATHERINE ROOKE .. Treble	DAVID A. WHETTON .. .. 5
ROGER A. SMITH .. .. 2	FRANK COOKE .. .. 6
GEORGE CHALLANS .. .. 3	MICHAEL F. AMOS .. .. 7
JOHN A. COATES .. .. 4	HERBERT T. ROOKE .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by HERBERT T. ROOKE.

\* First peal of Major.

Birthday compliments to Mrs. H. T. Rooke and to Miss A. C. Rooke; also a farewell to the Rev. Barrie Hedges.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., May 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary, Hanbury, Worcestershire.

## A PEAL OF 5152 DORCHESTER SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb. in F sharp.

GEOFFREY W. RANDALL .. Treble	*PETER S. BENNETT .. .. 5
MURIEL REAY .. .. 2	DAVID J. ALLEN .. .. 6
RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 3	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 7
*SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 4	GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES.

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

\* First peal in the method.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Faith, Havant, Hampshire.

## A PEAL OF 5056 HAVANT SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 11 lb.

DAVID S. M. JONES .. Treble	GEOFFREY R. DREW .. .. 5
MARGARET CHAPMAN .. .. 2	DAVID J. FORDER .. .. 6
SHIRLEY M. DREW .. .. 3	DAVID E. HOUSE .. .. 7
ROBERT WAKE .. .. 4	TOM CHAPMAN .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHAS. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by TOM CHAPMAN.

First peal in the method by all the band except 3 and 5, in the county, and for the Guild.

Rung to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the bells.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Andrew, Epworth, Lincolnshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part (7th the observation). Tenor 17 cwt.

LESLIE M. WOODHEAD .. Treble	JOHN F. UNDERWOOD .. 5
*JOHN POTTS .. .. 2	JOHN HALL .. .. 6
*MELVYN A. ROSE .. .. 3	*J. MARTIN THORLEY .. 7
ALAN SHEPPARD .. .. 4	JAMES THORLEY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

\* 25th peal together. † 25th peal together. ‡ First in the method.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

On Tues., May 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

At the Church of St. James, Wollaston, Worcestershire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being extents in seven variations of calling, with no 6-5's at backstroke.

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lb. in G.

MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. Treble	PETER L. BILL .. .. 4
IRENE ELLSMORE .. .. 2	*RAYMOND SMITH .. .. 5
*FLORENCE L. SMITH .. 3	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL J. FELLOWS.

\* First peal of Minor. Michael J. Fellows has now 'circled the tower.'

Quarterly peal for the Guild.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Sun., May 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

At the Church of St. James, Accrington, Lancashire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.

RAYMOND D. HELLIWELL .. Treble	*DEREK STEER .. .. 4
PHILIP S. WOODS .. .. 2	ANTHONY J. HELLIWELL .. 5
MICHAEL BEIL .. .. 3	ROGER LEIGH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ROGER LEIGH.

\* First peal 'inside' for Minor.

On Mon., May 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

At the Church of St. James, Accrington, Lancashire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 26 extents of Plain Bob and eight of St. Simon's and St. Martin's. Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.

MICHAEL BELL .. .. Treble	PHILIP WOODS .. .. 3
RAYMOND HELLIWELL .. 2	ROGER LEIGH .. .. 4

ANTHONY HELLIWELL .. Tenor

Conducted by ANTHONY HELLIWELL.

On Sun., May 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

At the Church of St. James, Accrington, Lancashire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In six methods, being eight extents of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, six of St. Nicholas Bob, seven each of Winchendon Place Bob, St. Simon's, St. Martin's and Plain Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.

MICHAEL BELL .. .. Treble	PHILIP WOODS .. .. 3
RAYMOND HELLIWELL .. 2	ROGER LEIGH .. .. 4

ANTHONY HELLIWELL .. Tenor

Conducted by ANTHONY HELLIWELL.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Oswald, Blankney, Lincolnshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents each of Norwich Surprise, Kent Treble Bob and Cambrigg Surprise, and one of Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

MARGARET A. PARKER .. Treble	LOUIS WILLDERS .. .. 4
W. ROBERT PARKER .. .. 2	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. 5
AMOS INGALL .. .. 3	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY R. PARKER.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Andrew, Rippingale, Lincolnshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

In 14 methods, being seven 720's: (1) Berwick and Hexham, (2) Norfolk and Primrose, (3) London and Wells, (4) York and Durham, (5) Lightfoot and Wearmouth, (6) Beverley and Surfleet, (7) Cambridge and Ipswich. Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 2 lb.

WILLIAM R. MARSH .. Treble	CHARLES L. BLANCHARD .. 4
HARVEY E. BURRELL .. 2	JAMES W. HAW .. .. 5
CECIL WADE .. .. 3	*DAVID R. BAXTER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CECIL WADE.

\* First peal of Spliced Surprise, and in 14 methods.

Rung to welcome a daughter born to the Vicar (Rev. D. E. Scott) and Mrs. Scott.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., May 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary, Barkby, Leicestershire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents rung to 21 methods: (1, 2) St. Simon's, (3, 4) Eynsham, (5, 6) Elford, (7, 8) St. Albans, (9, 10) St. Martin's, (11, 12) St. Leonard's, (13, 14) Shareshill, (15, 16) St. Paul's, (17, 18) April Day, (19, 20) St. Giles', (21, 22) St. Nicholas', (23, 24) St. Andrew's, (25, 26) Austrey, (27, 28) St. Miles', (29, 30) Winchendon Place, (31, 32) Ryton, (33 to 35) St. John's, (36, 37) Little Aston, (38) Clifford's Pleasure, (39) Southrepps Pleasure, (40 to 42) Rev. Canterbury Pleasure.

RAYMOND R. BROWN .. Treble	STUART H. J. EDWARDS .. 4
N. RODERICK ELLWAY .. 2	MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. 5
J. BARRY PICKUP .. .. 3	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. .. Tenor

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 27 lb. in E.

Conducted by MAURICE R. A. KIRK.

A birthday compliment to Raymond R. Brown.

On Fri., May 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

At the Church of All Saints, Sapcote, Leicestershire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In nine methods, viz.: (1) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull, Primrose and Bourne; (2) Beverley and Surfleet, (3) Bourne, (4) London, (5) Cambridge, (6) Beverley, (7) Cambridge.

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in A flat.

WILLIAM JOHNSON .. Treble	LAWRENCE WATKINS .. 4
JOHN WATKINS .. .. 2	*K. PAUL GILLIVER .. 5
MRS. JILL BELCHER .. 3	MICHAEL E. BROWN .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

\* 25th peal. John Watkins has now 'circled' his home tower to peals.

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## THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

At the Church of the Holy Angels, Hoar Cross, Staffordshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being three extents Kent and Treble Bob and four Plain Bob.  
Tenor 28 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb.

MRS. PAMELA WRIGHT .. Treble	ARTHUR R. WRIGHT .. 4
STEPHEN P. DARVILL .. 2	DAVID J. ALLEN .. 5
RAYMOND D. HART .. 3	GEOFFREY PRATT .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID J. ALLEN.

A wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Wright.

## THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Peter, Gamston, Nottinghamshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Double Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob.  
Tenor 8 cwt.

DENNIS COOPER .. Treble	ALAN KELLER .. 4
CHRISTOPHER J. HUGHES .. 2	LEONARD GOODALL .. 5
RICHARD SHEKELTON .. 3	IAN M. HOLLAND .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN M. HOLLAND.

Rung for the enthronement of the Rt. Rev. Gordon Savage as Bishop of Southwell.

## THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Peter, Lewtrenchard, Devon.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (ten callings). Tenor 8 cwt.

D. ROY BOULD .. Treble	WILFRED C. BOUCHER .. 4
MARGARET A. BOULD .. 2	H. FREDERICK MYERS .. 5
HORACE HICKS .. 3	T. LESLIE CUNDY .. Tenor

Conducted by D. ROY BOULD.

Rung to congratulate Edgar and Joyce Nunn, of Stratton, on the birth of their second daughter, Kathleen.

On Mon., June 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, Churston Ferrers, Devon.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb.

*VALERIE STEPHENS .. Treble	W. SIMMONDS .. 4
BRIAN SHINGLER .. 2	DONALD J. ROBERTS .. 5
MARY RUSSELL .. 3	†GREGORY J. ROBERTS .. Tenor

Conducted by DONALD J. ROBERTS.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.' First on the bells.

Rung to mark the 50th anniversary of the ordination of the Rev. D'Arcy Ward to the priesthood.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., May 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

At the Church of All Saints, Terling, Essex.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods: (1) York, (2) London, (3) Wells, (4) Beverley, (5) Surfleet, (6) Ipswich, (7) Cambridge.  
Tenor 10 cwt. in G.

JOE E. G. ROAST .. Treble	MICHAEL J. COWLING .. 4
PETER G. BROWN .. 2	GEORGE E. THODAY .. 5
IAN R. PANTON .. 3	PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. Tenor

Conducted by JOE E. G. ROAST.

Rung half-muffled in memory of Edward J. Strutt, interred this day.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Germain, Bobbingworth, Essex.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 13 cwt.

*PENNY J. FOX .. Treble	†PETER D. CHAPMAN .. 4
†COLIN G. WRIGHT .. 2	†DENNIS A. HEWITT .. 5
†ANDREW R. F. C. CROWSON .. 3	DENNIS ELLISON .. Tenor

Conducted by DENNIS ELLISON.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.' ‡ First of Minor.

## THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., May 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Mawgan, Mawgan-in-Meneage, Cornwall.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in A.

*GEORGE E. THODAY .. Treble	RICHARD J. PARKER .. 4
JOHN C. SLATER .. 2	ALAN E. BAGWORTH .. 5
KENNETH J. HESKETH .. 3	PHILLIP J. ROTHERA .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. THODAY.

\* 150th tower for a peal.

On Tues., May 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Michael, Wendron, Cornwall.

## A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 8 cwt. 20 lb. in A.

PHILLIP J. ROTHERA .. Treble	KENNETH J. HESKETH .. 4
ALAN E. BAGWORTH .. 2	JOHN C. SLATER .. 5
RICHARD J. PARKER .. 3	GEORGE E. THODAY .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. THODAY.

First peal in the method as conductor, and 175th of Surprise.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

At the Church of the Holy Cross, Byfield, Northamptonshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr.

GEORGE F. ROOME .. Treble	CLIFFORD CARTER .. 4
ROGER W. SMITH .. 2	ALAN A. PAUL .. 5
JOHN F. CARTER .. 3	GRAHAM C. PAUL .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN A. PAUL.

First peal of Minor as conductor.

Rung to welcome Sarah Caroline, daughter of Barbara Carter and the ringer of the third and niece of the ringer of the fourth; born on Ascension Day, 1964.

## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Andrew, Okeford Fitzpaine, Dorset.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

W. C. SHUTE .. Treble BERT RIDOUT .. 4

\*MRS. L. CROCKER .. 2 †REV. R. N. LONGRIDGE .. 5

BEN RIDOUT .. 3 F. J. WHITE .. Tenor

Conducted by F. J. WHITE.

\* First peal of Minor. † First peal.

For the Whitsun Festival.

Tenor 11 cwt.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., May 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

At the Church of St. Nicholas, Longparish, Hampshire.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 1 lb.

CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH .. Treble GEOFFREY K. DODD .. 4

FRANK R. TONGE .. 2 ALBERT H. GREEN .. 5

PENELOPE A. GODDARD .. 3 JOHN W. CHENEY .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.

Rung half-muffled in memory of Bernard Driver, aged 19, a ringer at this church for six years, who died on May 15th.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 10 Minutes.

In St. Peter's Belfry, Derby.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor size 15 in C.

KEVIN BETESTA .. 1-2 | DAVID WALKLATE (Cond.) 3-4

WILLIAM ALLSOPP .. 5-6

First peal of Minor 'in hand.'

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 1 Hour and 48 Minutes.

In St. Peter's Belfry, Derby.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent Spliced Childwall, St. Clement's and Buxton, and six extents Plain Bob. Tenor size 15 in C.

KEVIN BETESTA .. 1-2 | DAVID WALKLATE .. 3-4

WILLIAM ALLSOPP (Cond.) 5-6

First peal of Minor in four methods 'in hand' by all.

## THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

All rung at Mor-Awelon, Lon Derw, Tycoc, Swansea, Glamorgan.

On Sun., May 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5208 SPLICED MAJOR

Being 3,028 Plain Bob and 2,184 Little Bob; with 28 changes of method. Tenor size 18 in G.

HAZEL WAY .. 1-2 | J. ARTHUR HOARE .. 5-6

BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE (Cond.) 3-4 | EDMUND J. MORRIS .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

First peal of Spliced Plain and Little Bob Major for the Guild.

On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 1 Hour and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

HAZEL WAY .. 1-2 | BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE (Cond.) 3-4

J. ARTHUR HORACE .. 5-6

First peal in the method for the Guild, and by all the band.

On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 2 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 15 methods, being 360 each of St. Osmund's Bob, St. Osmund's Bob and Longworth Bob, St. Remigius' Bob, St. Remigius' and Harp-

ley Bob, St. Simon's Bob, St. Simon's Bob and Braywood Bob, St. Nicholas' Bob, St. Nicholas' Bob and Funderhall Bob, St. Martin's Bob, St. Martin's Bob and Welford Bob, Winchendon Place Bob, Winchendon Place Bob and Haddiscoe Bob, and 240 each of Reverse

Canterbury Pleasure Bob, Grandsire and Plain Bob: 116 changes of method. Tenor size 14 in D.

HAZEL WAY .. 1-2 | BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 3-4

J. ARTHUR HOARE .. 5-6

Greatest number of methods yet rung to a peal for the Guild, and by all except the conductor.

On Fri., May 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 3 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 REVERSE PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

HAZEL WAY .. 1-2 | BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE (Cond.) 3-4

J. ARTHUR HOARE .. 5-6

First peal in the method by all, and for the Guild.



## DATE TOUCH

**ELSTOW, BEDS.**—On May 14th, 1964 Minor (32 Little Bob, 492 Plain Bob, 720 College Exercise and 720 Woodbine Treble Bob): G. Seth 1, Miss M. Pettitt 2, Miss S. Law 3, Miss M. Clark 4, R. French 5, R. Law (cond.) 6. For Confirmation service.

**ASH, SURREY.**—On May 24th, 1.296 Surprise Minor (London and Cambridge): J. Collier (first of Surprise) 1, Angela J. Smart 2, P. G. Sherwood 3, S. T. A. Russell 4, P. G. Smart 5, C. J. Champion (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.**—On May 31st, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): Miss H. Coppethwaite 1, Miss E. Pryke 2, Miss B. Fisher 3, W. R. Chandler 4, R. J. Brown (cond.) 5. For the sacrament of Confirmation administered by the Bishop of Colchester.

**BIRCHINGTON, KENT.**—On May 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. P. G. Store 1, Mrs. N. Bridges 2, G. G. Firman 3, Mary Elsdon 4, A. Hinkley 5, F. C. W. Knight (cond.) 6.

**BISHOP'S STORTFORD, HERTS.**—On May 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (6, 8 covering): Miss A. Goddard 1, Miss V. Perkin 2, Miss J. Munday 3, H. White 4, A. Richardson 5, E. Rochester 6, D. Kingston (cond.) 7, K. Westwood 8. First quarter 3 and 8, first of Minor 2 and 5. For Mothers' Union Deanery Festival.

**BROADSTAIRS, KENT.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: P. Stockwell 1, Mrs. W. Bridges 2, Miss M. Elsdon 3, G. Firman 4, A. Bridges 5, D. Cubit 6, F. W. Knight 7, M. Cubit (cond.) 8. First of Major 'inside' for 3, 4 and 5.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—At St. Andrew-the-Great on May 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. Dillmore 1, M. Press 2, J. A. Harrison 3, T. A. Getty 4, S. C. Walters (cond.) 5, R. W. H. Hayes 6, J. W. McClenahan 7, K. J. Darvill 8. Also on the tower roof of St. John's College Chapel, on May 7th, 1,296 Stedman Caters: A. S. Hudson 1—2, S. C. Walters 3—4, J. M. H. Hunter (arr. and cond.) 5—6, V. Nutton 7—8, C. H. Rogers 9—10. Also at St. Andrew's on May 24th, 1,280 Spliced Surprise Major (six methods): J. A. Harrison 1, R. M. Damercil 2, J. M. H. Hunter 3, M. Press 4, K. J. Trippow 5, K. J. Darvill 6, J. W. McClenahan 7, S. C. Walters (cond.) 8. First of Spliced for 5, 6 and 7.

**CARDIGAN.**—On May 24th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob and St. Simon's): D. P. Griffiths (first on working bell) 1, Sian Evans (first 'off' the treble) 2, Mrs. Jean Thomas 3, J. D. Thomas 4, A. F. Walters (cond.) 5, B. Griffiths 6. For Evensong.

**CATFIELD, NORFOLK.**—On May 22nd, 1,260 Bob Doubles (three methods): H. Lubbock 1, F. Boyce 2, J. Gardiner 3, R. Lubbock (first of Double) 4, G. E. Larter (cond.) 5. For Evensong.

**CHALFONTE ST. GILES, BUCKS.**—On May 16th, 1,260 Grandire Doubles: A. Dubarry 1, Miss A. Dubarry 2, Miss D. Prescott (first 'inside') 3, R. Snack (cond.) 4, B. Edwards 5, Miss L. Knowles 6.

**CHURCHSTANTON, SOMERSET.**—On May 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Holway 1, R. Shie 2, E. Quirk (cond.) 3, G. Salter 4, B. Burston 5, T. Langdon 6.

**CONGRESBURY, SOMERSET.**—On May 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Coombs (first of Triples) 1, Marjorie Legg (cond.) 2, G. Hebden 3, S. Lewis 4, R. Rice 5, W. Rice 6, G. Prescott 7, E. Fisher 8.

**COOKHAM, BERKS.**—On May 24th, 1,259 Doubles (four methods): H. Toocock (first quarter) 1, Miss M. Adamson 2, J. Dieppe 3, T. Toocock 4, J. Muller (first as cond. in more than one method) 5, R. Davis 6. First in more than one method for all except 5. For Patronal Festival Evensong.

**CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.**—On May 24th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: P. Rane 1, Miss R. A. Stevens 2, S. Upton 3, A. E. Laker 4, J. Jeffery 5, H. Burton 6, F. Godsmark 7, R. V. Johnson (cond.) 8. First in method 1, 3 and 6. For the Patronal Festival.

**EYNHAM, OXON.**—On May 24th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): T. Gregory 1, A. Hicks 2, Mrs. P. Pimm 3, D. Floyd 4, C. Bennett (cond.) 5, A. Harris 6. Rung for a memorial service to Miss H. Swan, Sunday School superintendent at Eynham for many years.

**FARNHAM ROYAL, BUCKS.**—On May 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. J. Stopp 1, Ruth Lund 2, Jennifer Scezny 3, W. Henley 4, G. W. Limmer 5, G. Rizzler (cond.) 6. To mark the launching of the Parish Missionary Project.

**GT. CHEVERELL, WILTS.**—On May 31st, 1,250 Doubles (eight methods): A. Sturgess 1, Pamela Osborne 2, C. Hillier 3, B. Osborne 4, D. Bivley (cond.) 5, R. Bailey 6. First in eight methods by all the band. For Evensong.

## QUARTER PEALS

**GT. STAUGHTON, HUNTS.**—On May 9th, 720 each of London and Norwich Surprise Minor: M. J. Dyer 1, C. L. Bell 2, Miss J. K. A. Cook 3, F. Coules 4, P. M. Fleckney 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For the enthronement of the Rt. Rev. E. J. K. Roberts as Bishop of Ely.

**HANDSWORTH, BIRMINGHAM.**—At St. Mary's Church on May 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: S. J. Swift (first quarter) 1, M. Matthews 2, Miss J. M. Yardley 3, B. D. Sims 4, B. C. Wallis (first as cond.) 5, R. Foster 6. Also on May 9th, 1,320 Doubles (Pl. Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pl. Bob): S. J. Swift 1, B. D. Sims (cond.) 2, Miss J. M. Yardley 3, M. Matthews (first in two methods) 4, B. C. Wallis 5, R. Foster 6.

**HARRINGWORTH, NORTHANTS.**—On May 20th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): H. Hackett 1, J. W. Lyons 2, F. A. Girms 3, R. Russell 4, R. A. Webster (cond.) 5, M. Cunningham 6.

**HAWKHURST, KENT.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (on middle six): P. D. Harrison 1, R. W. Playford (first of Bob Minor) 2, E. G. Baker 3, L. W. Jarvis 4, A. H. Kemp 5, W. Goringe 6, S. G. Waters (cond.) 7, B. W. Stevens 8.

**HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS.**—On April 5th, 720 each of Durham and York Surprise Minor: P. E. Wells 1, P. Woolven 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, C. L. Bell 4, D. F. Murfet 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service. Also on April 19th, 1,440 Spiced (four methods): C. L. Bell 1, Miss J. K. A. Cook 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, A. J. Davey 4, P. Woolven 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service. Also on May 3rd, 1,370 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Mrs. R. B. Davey (first quarter Surprise) 1, A. J. Davey 2, Miss J. K. A. Cook 3, P. E. Well 4, C. L. Bell 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service.

**HIGHCLERE, HANTS.**—1,664 Cambridge Surprise Major: R. E. J. Dennis (first of Major) 1, J. R. J. Dyke 2, Susan Hawes 3, Diana M. Frost 4, D. A. H. Bennett 5, Louise G. Gallini 6, R. W. M. Clouston 7, A. J. Frost (cond.) 8. Rung by U.L.S.C.R. as a compliment to Rev. Powell-Miller on the 50th anniversary of his ordination as a priest.

**HOLBEACH, Lincs.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: R. J. Vellam 1, A. K. Twaite (first 'inside') 2, Julie Vellam 3, G. Johnson 4, A. D. Marshall 5, M. J. Rairs 6, K. R. Davey 7, R. D. Bailey (comp. and cond.) 8. For Sung Eucharist.

**HUNTINGDON.**—At All Saints' on May 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. J. Dyer 1, L. B. Jeffries 2, Mary E. Dyer 3, H. Levens 4, A. T. Howes 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. Rung for the enthronement of the Rt. Rev. E. J. K. Roberts as Bishop of Ely.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On May 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Elizabeth A. Todd 1, Elaine Dixon 2, G. G. Firman 3, D. L. Cawley 4, G. J. Neilson 5, F. G. W. Knight (cond.) 6.

**MARSTON, OXON.**—On April 26th, 1,320 St. George's Doubles: F. Mervin Bird 1, R. H. Jones 2, G. L. Belcher 3, N. D. Deam (cond.) 4, A. Gammon 5. First in method for all. For the Festival of St. George. Also on May 10th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): D. C. Oliver 1, N. D. Deam 2, L. Porter 3, G. L. Belcher (first as cond.) 4, A. Gammon 5. For Confirmation service.

**MILTON REGIS, KENT.**—On May 26th, 1,295 Cambridge Surprise Minor: George A. Naylor 1, Doris G. Dobbie 2, Sheila M. Dobbie 3, Carence H. Dobbie 4, Stanley B. Dobbie 5, Walter H. Dobbie (cond.) 6. Rung to celebrate the 100th birthday of Mrs. Mary A. Dobbie, mother of 4th and 5th ringers and grandmother of 2nd and 6th ringers.

**MISTLEY, ESSEX.**—On May 25th, 1,261 Plain Bob Minor: Barbara Drury (first quarter) 1, Rita Peck 2, G. Waterman 3, Gillian Brown 4, U. Widney (cond.) 5, A. E. Honeywood 6.

**OXFORD.**—At the Church of St. Aldate, on May 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss G. Gray 1, E. R. Venn 2, R. Berstead 3, R. H. Allkworth 4, P. J. Heritage (cond.) 5, M. R. Hickman (first quarter) 6. Rung after the baptism of Teresa Louise Alswoth, granddaughter of riverer of 4.

**OXFORD.**—At the Church of St. Giles, on May 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Ann Otaway (first quarter) 1, P. Walker 2, Brenda Collins 3, J. H. Garner 4, Margaret Muir 5, S. D. Edwards 6, D. J. Roaf (cond.) 7, H. J. Prentley 8. For Evensong.

**ROTHERHAM, YORKS.**—On May 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: T. Dougs 1, Tessa Hollis 2, J. Buie 3, Sandra Crossley 4, Mrs. M. Burns 5, D. Nichol 6, N. Chaddock (cond.) 7, G. S. Lee 8, N. Donovan 9, J. N. D. Chaddock 10. For Evensong.

**REIGATE, SURREY.**—On May 26th, 1,239 Grandsire Caters: K. G. Game (cond.) 1, R. Talbot 2, J. Chapman 3, J. Euston 4, K. Tabot 5, W. Dunn 6, J. W. Smith 7, W. Inwood 8, A. T. Shelton 9, Joan Hanning 10. For Confirmation service.

**RODBOURNE CHENEY, WILTS.**—On May 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Janis E. Allen 1, W. B. Kynaston (cond.) 2, R. White 3, D. Carr 4, D. Dancy 5. First of Grandsire 3, 4 and 5.

**ST. FLORENCE, PEMBS.**—On May 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: P. R. Huntbach 1, E. Lingard 2, Mrs. P. C. Rogers 3, Miss N. M. Rosen 4, P. C. Rogers (first as cond.) 5, I. Russant 6. First quarter for all except conductor. First on the bells. For Corpus Christi.

**SALEHURST, SUSSEX.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (1, 2 leading): Margaret Rands 1, Helen Dadsell 2, Gillian Coman 3, Gwn Fellows 4, Eileen Conlan 5, Angela Rudd 6, A. Smith (first as cond.) 7, A. Hoad 8. For evening service. Also on May 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Gillian Coman 1, A. Hoad 2, Eileen Coman 3, A. Smith 4, Gwen Fellows (first attempt as cond., 16 years) 5, Angela Rudd 6, T. W. Edwards 7, G. H. Muggridge 8. For evening service.

**SAXILBY, Lincs.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Kathleen Yardley 1, J. M. Blaikie 2, M. L. Mann 3, J. Godfrey 4, H. W. Cox 5, J. B. Nicholson (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**SLOUGH, BUCKS.**—On May 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Lister 1, Doreen Hague 2, F. R. Scott 3, W. Birmingham, junr. 4, G. R. Sheddin 5, W. Birmingham (cond.) 6, R. J. Foster (cover bell) 7. For Confirmation service.

**SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.**—On May 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: June E. Wood 1, A. R. Mildred 2, B. G. Warwick (cond.) 3, Mrs. B. G. Warwick 4, D. W. Stenson 5, Carol 1, V. Corton 6, K. H. Mildred 7, R. K. Stretton 8. For Evensong. Also on May 24th, 1,260 Doubles (seven methods): R. K. Stretton 1, B. G. Warwick 2, A. R. Mildred 3, Carol 1, V. Corton 4, K. H. Mildred (cond.) 5, M. Brown (first quarter) 6. For Festival Evensong.

**SUNBURY, MIDDY.**—On May 24th, 1,440 Bourne Surprise Minor: Miss A. Horsford 1, Miss R. Rawlings 2, D. W. Struckett 3, M. B. Tyers 4, P. A. Brand (cond.) 5, A. Johnson 6. First of Bourne for all.

**THEALE, BERKS.**—On May 24th, 1,272 Bob Minimus (on inside four): K. Robinson (first quarter) 1, Pauline Green (first quarter) 2, T. Adams (cond.) 3, Ann Raby 4, J. M. Allen 5, B. J. Gatward (first quarter) 6. Rung for the Dedication Festival, the ordination of Martin King at Durham, a visit from a former Rector (Canon Trebble) and the engagement of the foreman (Terry Adams).

**THURNBY, LEICS.**—On May 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: S. Swift 1, B. D. Sims 2, M. Matthews 3, M. F. Hall (cond.) 4, B. C. Wallis 5, R. Foster 6. By St. Mary's, Handsworth, band.

**THORPE-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX.**—On May 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Rita Peck 1, Heather McArthur (first 'inside') 2, Susan Bostock 3, Sheela Harrison 4, Frances Smith 5, Gillian Brown (cond.) 6. Possibly first all ladies quarter in this district by members.

**TWINEHAM, SUSSEX.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: C. Packham (first quarter) 1, G. A. Packham 2, J. R. Norris 3, K. Stacey (first 'inside') 4, K. C. Knight (cond.) 5. For Evensong.

**WASHINGTON, D.C., AMERICA.**—On Ascension Day (May 7th), 1,299 Stedman Caters: P. J. Stanforth 1, J. Chilcott (cond.) 2, H. N. P. Stow 3, J. Freeman 4, G. E. Feun 5, N. Chaddock 6, G. W. Pipe 7, F. C. Price 8, W. F. Moreton 9, H. Parker 10. Rung after the dedication of Gloria in Excelis tower.

**WEST OVERTON, WILTS.**—On May 29th, 1,240 Minor (London Surprise and Plain Bob): A. R. Peake (cond.) 1, Mrs. R. Drevitt 2, R. Drevitt 3, Rev. R. Keeley 4, E. W. Ford 5, B. Bladon 6. A farewell to the Rev. and Mrs. F. Smedley, who are leaving for Trowbridge, Wilt.

**WOODEATON, OXON.**—On May 7th, 1,259 Doubles (seven methods): B. Wakefield 1, T. L. Rank 2, C. L. Belcher 3, N. D. Deam 4, A. Gammon 5. Concluded by P. Cawmold. For Ascension Day.

**WORKINGTON, CUMBERLAND.**—On May 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: S. M. Burns 1, J. D. Umpleby 2, Mrs. L. Boumphey 3, A. J. Dunn 4, H. Byrom 5, L. Boumphey (cond.) 6. Rung in honour of the ordination this day of senior assistant curate and fellow ringer, Rev. D. C. Crook, to the priesthood; and of Rev. M. W. Bucks to the diaconate, and to welcome the latter to the parish.

**WROXHAM, NORFOLK.**—On May 19th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: F. Boyce 1, A. Harrison 2, J. Gardiner 3, R. Lubbock 4, H. Lubbock 5, G. E. Larter (cond.) 6. First quarter 2 and 4.



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### BIRTH

BUTLER.—On Friday, May 22nd, 1964, to Audrey and William, at 19, Longcroft Road, Thatcham, a daughter, Elizabeth Ann, a sister for Richard and Alison. 4831

### ENGAGEMENT

The engagement is announced between Anthony Dunn, only son of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Smith, Kirkby Lonsdale, Westmorland, and Susan Elizabeth, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Burt, Pangbourne, Berkshire.

### DEATH

BOWSHER.—On May 29th, 1964, in hospital Charles Bowsheer, of Northmoor, Oxfordshire, aged 80. For 70 years he rang at Northmoor Church and will be sadly missed by his fellow ringers. 4849

### ENGAGEMENT

FRIEND-LOCKWOOD.—The engagement is announced between David, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Friend, of Gnosall, Stafford, and Jennifer, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lockwood, of Derby. 4822

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

TAYLOR.—The permanent address of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Taylor is now 15, Greenacre Road, Whitchurch, Bristol 4. 4811

MR. FRANK C. W. KNIGHT has now returned to his former address. All ringers and friends welcome at 16, Vale Square, Ramsgate, Kent. 4854

### PERSONAL

'There is but a step between me and death.' Samuel xx, 3.

### HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION

WANTED.—Accommodation for family home on leave with two children. Preferably in the Midlands, though anywhere considered. Approx. July 8th to August 20th. Please reply, air mail, to Mr. J. B. Bennett, Ras Abu Aboud Power Station, State Electricity Dept., P.O. Box 41, Doha, Qatar, Arabia. 4827

### MISCELLANEOUS

VETERANS meeting on June 20th at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate. Meet 2 p.m. Service 4 p.m. and tea in church hall after. All the 'old tyme' ringers welcome. Names for tea to J. Euston, 28, Fairmile Avenue, Streatham, S.W.16. 4825

YATESBURY bellringers would like to thank all R.A.F. friends who gave so generously to the bell fund. The third bell is now rehung and will be dedicated on Sunday, July 12th at 6 p.m. All ringers are welcome. 4815

### MEETINGS

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Chesterfield District.—Monthly meeting at Creswell on Saturday, June 13th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, without fail please, to Mr. L. Barlow, Lilac House, Mansfield Road, Creswell, Worksop, Notts. Tel.: Creswell 370—Malcolm Phipps, Sec.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cambridge District.—Meeting at Harston (6) Saturday, June 13th. Bells 3 p.m. Buffet tea at parish garden party. Service 5 p.m., followed by meeting in church.—B. D. Threlfall, Dis. Sec. 4800

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Meeting at Dunmow, June 13th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to Dr. L. S. Castleden, Clock House Cottage, Dunmow. 4731

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Meeting at North Ockendon on June 13th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss J. Scott, Baldwins Farm, Upminster. 4752

### BACK NUMBERS

'The Ringing World' has received a very generous gift of back numbers dating from 1919 to 1959. While some are brown with the passing of years, the majority are clean and serviceable. We propose to offer these to readers who want to complete their files. The charge will be 8d. per copy post free.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.W. District.—A meeting will be held at Stansted on Saturday, June 13th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m.—G. Blake, Hamlet House, Roydon Hamlet, Harlow, Essex. 4808

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Summer festival, Saturday, June 13th, in the Leatherhead District. Ringing arrangements: Merrow (6), 10 to 11 a.m.; West Clondon (8), 10.30 to 11.30; Cobham (6), 11 a.m. to 12 noon; Stoke D'Abernon (6), 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.; Epsom Common (8), 12 noon to 1 p.m.; Ewell (8), 12.30 to 2; Banstead (8), 1.30 to 2.30; Epsom (St. Martin's) (10), 2 to 3; Ashted (8), 2.30 to 4; Dorking (8), 3.30 to 4.30 and after Evensong until 7.30; Newdigate (6), 7.15 to 8.30; Capel (6) and Ockley (6), 7.30 to 8.45 p.m. Lunch (5s. 6d.) will be provided at Ewell between 12.30 and 2 p.m. to those only who notify their requirements to Mrs. C. W. Munday, 37, Bradford Drive, Ewell, Epsom, (Tel. Ewell 4986). Tea at Dorking 4.45 p.m. for those who notify Miss E. Clear, 'Murrey', Lonsdale Road, Dorking (Tel. Dorking 2589), by June 11th. Evensong at Dorking 6 p.m., conducted by Rev. Jack Roundhill, M.A., Vicar of Dorking. 4753

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Tring (8) June 13th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. J. Collings, 16, Christchurch Road, Tring. No name no tea. 4809

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—Meeting, Benington, Saturday, June 13th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea. Names for tea to Miss B. J. Harris, Buckhurst, Benington, Stevenage, Herts, or to Benington 215.—R. Durrant, Dis. Sec. 4770

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—Quarterly meeting Harrietsham, Saturday, June 13th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, important, to Mr. J. Betts, Red House, Fairbourne Road, Harrietsham. Please note change of place.—T. A. Cross, Dis. Sec. 4747

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Loughborough District) joint with S. DERBYSHIRE and N. LEICESTERSHIRE ASSNS.—Meeting at Breedon-on-the-Hill, on June 13th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in Vicarage 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. S. Knighton, 46, Borough Street, Castle Donington, nr. Derby. No name, no tea. 4796

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Saturday, June 13th. St. Mary's, Woolwich, 3-4.30 p.m. Tea and business. Woolwich, St. Alfeges, Greenwich, 7-8.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Miss V. Dupre, 63, Woodlawn Road, S.W.6. Tel.: REN 4423.—V. E. Dupre, Hon. Sec. 4726

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—North and East District.—Saturday, June 13th. Edmonton. Ringing from 4 p.m. Service 5.15 p.m., followed by tea and service. Evening ringing till 8.30 p.m.—E. H. Kilby, Dis. Sec. 4789

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—City Branch.—Half-yearly meeting, Saturday, June 13th, at Hoispard. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. C. Surman, Grey Tiles, Gidley Hill, Horspath, Oxford. 4791

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—West Dorset Branch.—Meeting, Askerswell, Saturday, June 13th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to J. Davis, Mount, Melplash, Bridport. 4768

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Annual general meeting, Bury St. Edmunds, Saturday, June 13th. Norman tower 2-3.25 p.m. Service, Cathedral 3.30 p.m. Tea, Masonic Hall 4.30 p.m. Norman tower, Rougham and Gt. Barton available after business meeting. Names for tea to Mr. L. Wright, Horringer Road Stores, Bury St. Edmunds.—J. W. Blythe, Gen. Sec. 4763

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—Practice meeting at Walberton (6) on Saturday, June 13th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. at the Beam Ends Cafe. Please notify for tea.—R. Wake, 28, Keynor Estate, Sidlesham, Chichester, Sussex. 4783

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Andover District.—Quarterly meeting, East Woodhay, June 13th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea afterwards. Names for tea, important, to Mr. J. Webb, Church Cottage, East Woodhay. Woolton Hill bells after tea. 4785

### ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH Penn, Wolverhampton

Ringers' service on Sunday, June 14th. Ringing 5.30 p.m. for 6.30 p.m. Evensong. Special preacher: The Dean of Lichfield. Ringing and refreshments after Evensong. All welcome 4767

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Western Branch.—Evening practice meeting at Necton on Wednesday, June 17th. Bells (6) available 6.30. Please make every effort to attend.—C. Tovell. 4846

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Chew Branch.—Practice meeting at Nailsea (6) on Saturday, June 20th. Bells available 5 p.m.—D. G. Yeo, Hon. Branch Sec. 4833

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, June 20th, at Wellington (8). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, please.—A. H. Reed, Mimosa, George Street, Taunton. 4802

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Coventry Archdeaconry District.—Meeting at Stoneleigh on Saturday, June 20th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Service 5.30 p.m., followed by ringing until 8 p.m. Names for tea, by Tuesday, June 15th, at latest, to Ian P. Unsworth, 299, Goodyers End Lane, Bedworth, Nuneaton. 4840

DEVON GUILD.—Annual Festival, Exeter, June 20th. Service, St. Mark's, 4 p.m., preacher the Bishop of Plymouth. Tea and meeting St. Mark's Hall. Numbers for tea to Mr. C. Densham, 27, Monkswell Road, Exeter. Ringing Cathedral 1.30-3. and 6-8. Heavitree 2-3.30. St. Mark's 3-4. St. Petrock 6-7. St. Thomas' 7-8. Cox memorial dedicated by the Dean. 2.30. 4797

EAST DERBYS. AND WEST NOTTS. ASSOCIATION.—Meeting at Crich, June 20th. Bells available from 5 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.—T. H. Radford, Hon. Sec. 4816

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Cirencester Branch.—Meeting at Fairford, June 20th at 3 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Names please to Mr. W. Godwin, 12, Fairford Road, Quenington, Cirencester, by June 18th.—R. Wenban, Sec. 4829

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Forest of Dean Branch.—Meeting at Hartpurv on Saturday, June 20th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5.30. Names for tea to Mr. I. Nallender, Laughtons Farm Hartpurv. Also evening meeting at Mitcheldean (8) on Wednesday, June 24th. 7 p.m. 4842

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Stow-on-the-Wold Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Bourton-on-the-Water on Saturday, June 20th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Meeting 5.30. Bells 6-7 p.m. Names for tea by June 18th to Mr. L. C. Dowdeswell, Park Street, Stow-on-the-Wold. Tel. Stow/Wold 350. 4844

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Stroud Branch.—Meeting at Standish, June 20th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea after service. Names by June 17th.—S. T. Price, 12, Regent Street, Stonehouse, Glos. 4836

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guildford District.—Meeting, Saturday, June 20th. Ringing at Albury 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Ringing afterwards at Shere. (No ringing 7-7.15.) Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mr. H. Arthur, Cambria, Peaslake, nr. Guildford. 4794



**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—North Myrms, June 20th. Bells (8) 3.15 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Tea following. Names, please, to Mrs. T. J. Lock, 57, Holloway's Lane, North Myrms, Hatfield, Herts. S.M.: Glasgow.—M. A. Coburn, Dis. Sec. 4820

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—Meeting at Blackrod on Saturday, June 20th. Bells 3 p.m. Cups of tea provided. All welcome.—Thornley. Sec. 4837

**LAVENHAM RINGING ANNIVERSARY.**—Saturday, June 20th. Bells available 2.30 to 8.30 p.m. Everyone welcome. Tea shop near church.—M. T. Symonds. 4818

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hinckley District.—Meeting, Market Bosworth, Saturday, June 20th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, by the Wednesday previous to Mr. R. Proudman, Market Place, Market Bosworth, near Nuneaton. Please note alteration of date.—M. Vernon, Dis. Sec. 4813

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Louth, June 20th. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Names for tea to Mr. T. Avery, 18, Broadbank, Louth, by Wednesday previous.—C. A. H. 4798

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—S.W. District.—Practice on June 20th at All Hallows', Twickenham. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30, followed by tea. Evening ringing to be arranged. Business meeting at Cranford on July 18th.—F. T. B. 4843

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Reading Branch.—Summer meeting, June 20th at Mapledurham. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Numbers for tea by June 17th to Rev. E. B. Wood, The Vicarage, Mapledurham. Reading. 4848

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Sonning Deanery Branch.—The summer meeting will be held at Wargrave on June 20th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.45 p.m. Further ringing after tea. Notify for tea by June 16th to Mr. D. A. Theodm, 16, Beverley Gardens, Wargrave. Reading.—B. C. Castle. 4819

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD** (Thrapston Branch) and **ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION** (Hunts District).—Joint meeting at Leighton Bromswold, Saturday, June 20th. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Titchmarsh (8) available after tea.—F. Coles and M. J. Dyer, Dis. Secs. 4832

#### **SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS & SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD** (North Notts District).

Joint meeting at Warsop (Cuckney also available) on Sat., June 20th, at 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. H. Rooke, 9, Yorke Terrace, Warsop, by Thursday, June 18th. No name no tea, so do send in on time.—P. Nix, H. Denman, Secs. 4845

**STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.**—Annual general meeting, Lichfield, Saturday, June 20th. Service in Cathedral choir stalls 4.15 p.m. Tea and business meeting in St. Michael's Parish Hall 5.30 p.m. Bells available: Cathedral (10), 3.4.10 and 6.30-8.30; St. Mary's (8), 3.15-4 and 7.30-9; St. Michael's (6), 3.15-4 and 6.30-8; also St. Chad's, Lichfield (4), Elford and King's Bromley (both 6's), all 7.30-8.30 p.m. Names for tea by June 17th latest, please, to C. M. Smith, 'Roiselle', Walsall Road, Lichfield, Staffs. (Tel. Lichfield 2124.) 4807

**SWANSEA AND BRECON FESTIVAL GUILD.**—Annual general festival, Swansea, Saturday, June 20th. Ringing arrangements: St. Mary's (8) 2.15 to 4 p.m. and after 6.30. Service 4. Tea and business will follow. Names for tea to Mrs. N. B. Whitworth, 3, Lon Derw, Tycoch, Swansea.—J. A. Hoare, Hon. Sec. 4769

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting at Nutfield, June 20th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 4.30. Service, bells after till 9 p.m. Names for tea to Miss Kempell, 1, Church Hill, Nutfield, before June 18th.—G. A. W. 4739

### **OUR AMERICAN SUPPLEMENT**

An extra printing has taken place in connection with our American supplement bound into this copy of 'The Ringing World.'

We feel certain that many readers will desire extra copies for friends and other ringers. These are available post free, 8d. Copies of the supplement can be purchased separately, price 3d., plus postage.

'The Ringing World' is indebted to Mr. George W. Pipe for the graphic inside story of the visit and also for the photographs and to Messrs. Mears and Stainbank for a substantial contribution towards the extra cost involved.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Division.—Quarterly meeting at Hurstpierpoint (8). Saturday, June 20th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Evening ringing until 7.45 p.m. Handbells afterwards. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to J. R. Norris, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierpoint.

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—Meeting at Kidderminster, 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 20th. Service 4.15. Tea and business. Names for tea by Wednesday, 17th, please.—Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., 17, Ham Lane, Pedmore, Stourbridge, Worcs.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—Annual meeting, Saturday, June 20th, at Collingham. Bells available 3 p.m. No tea arrangements. District Committee will meet at 4.15 p.m. and the election of officers at 6.30 p.m. Reports will be available. Practice methods: St. Clement's C.B.M. and Belgrave S.M.—R. J. Lumley, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ilchester Branch.—Corporate Communion, Odcombe, Sunday, June 21st at 7 p.m. after Evensong. Also practice at Kingsdon (6) on Saturday, June 27th at 6.30 p.m. 4851

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Derby District.—Evening meeting at Spondon (6), Wednesday, June 24th, 7.30 to 9 p.m.—M. A. Willis, Dis. Sec. 4847

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Eastern District.—Meeting at Kirby-le-Soken (8) on Saturday, June 27th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Also Great Holland (8) 6.30-7.30 and Thorpe-le-Soken (6) 7.30-8.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. U. Wildney, Laurel Cottage, Kirby-le-Soken, Essex.—A. E. J. Lester, Dis. Sec. 4838

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The annual festival will be held in Oxford on Saturday, June 27th. 9.45 a.m. Corporate Communion; 11 a.m. Festival Service at Christ Church Cathedral; 12 noon annual meeting in the Chapter House; 1.30 p.m. luncheon in the Dining Hall. Ringing arrangements as on agenda. Luncheon tickets (7s. each) from Mr. A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Church Lane, Wexham, Slough, Bucks. Names, together with remittance, by Tuesday, June 23rd.—Marie R. Cross, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4541

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northampton Branch.—Meeting at Roade, Saturday, June 27th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to Mr. A. Cozens, 28, Hyde Road, Roade. 4839

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Rutland Branch.—Joint meeting, Rutland and Melton Branches at Whissendine (6 bells), Saturday, June 27th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea at Three Horse Shoes 5 p.m. Names for tea to W. C. A. Clark, Middle Street, Wing, by Tuesday previous. 4841

### **LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD** (Elloe Deaneries Branch)

**ANNUAL RINGING FESTIVAL** held jointly with the **LADIES' GUILD**, Saturday, June 27th.

Ringing will take place in the following towers:

9-11, Bicker (8), Donnington (8);  
10-12, Quadring (6), Gosberton (6);  
11-1, Surfleet (12), Pinchbeck (8),  
Deeping St. Nicholas (6),  
Crowland (6);  
1.30-3.30, Fulney (8), Spalding (8);  
2-5, Moulton (6);  
2.30-4.30, Whapload (6), Holbeach (8),  
Fleet (6), Gedney Hill (5);  
3.30-5, Gedney (6), Long Sutton (6),  
Lutton (6), Tydd St. Mary (6).  
The annual cricket match will be played at Moulton, starting at 2 p.m.  
Tea at Moulton at 5.30 p.m.  
Please send names to Mrs. J. Noon, 13, Pennygate, Spalding, Lincs, by Wednesday previous.  
Evening ringing arrangements:  
7-9, Holbeach (8), Moulton (6),  
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**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Towcester Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Blakesley on Saturday, June 27th. Names for tea by Monday previous to W. A. Yates, 4, Bannerlands, Dadford, Buckingham. 4823

**SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—Practice meeting at Ripe (5) and Laughton (6) on June 27th. Ringing: Ripe 3 till 4.30, Laughton 6.15 till 8 p.m. Service (Ripe) 4.30. Tea (Chalvington) 5.15 p.m. Names for tea, please, to J. Smith, Sec., 37, Wellington Gardens, Battle. 4828

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Striking competition final at Gosfield, July 4th, start 2.30 p.m. prompt. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss H. Snowden, Cherry Cottage, Gosfield, before July 1st.—H. Turner, Deputy Master.

### **LATE NEWS**

Mr. Arthur Palmer, the popular secretary of the Marlborough Branch, S.D.G., had the misfortune last Thursday to fall from scaffolding on to a pile of bricks. He is in Saverne Hospital suffering from severe shock and bruising. A nasty cut on his head necessitated several stitches. Latest report is that he is improving daily.

### **LATE NOTICE**

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ringers' Rally on Saturday, July 4th, 1964, centred on Maidstone. Service, tea and no business. Ringing in 16 towers. Please send 3s. 6d. and s.a.e. for tea ticket and programme by first post, July 1st, to Mr. T. A. Cross, 46, Anglesey Avenue, Maidstone.—P. A. Corby, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4853



## QUARTER PEALS

**ACTON, CHESHIRE.**—On May 27th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: S. Sutton 1, J. Thomas 2, W. Kerr 3, J. E. Brough (cond.) 4, H. Sutton 5, F. S. Sutton 6. Rung before service on eve of Corpus Christi.

**BEXHILL, SUSSEX.**—On May 27th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: B. J. Viter (first quarter) 1, J. M. Swift 2, Christine M. Fuller (cond.) 3, J. V. J. Smith 4, A. R. Baldock 5, R. A. Viter (first quarter) 6. 50th quarter together 4 and 5. Rung for the ordination to the priesthood of the Rev. Eric Gillies.

**CLIFTON, BRISTOL.**—On May 23rd, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: C. T. Rawlings 1, W. Abraham 2, N. H. Coombs 3, M. H. Gregory 4, P. L. Pearce 5, H. S. Gregory 6, A. W. T. Cleaver (cond.) 7, R. J. Tapsfield (first quarter) 8. For Adult Confirmation at Bristol Cathedral, at which the wife of the conductor and other parishioners were confirmed.

**COUNTERTHORPE, LEICS.**—On May 28th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: P. Immins 1, Miss R. J. Watkin 2, G. T. Dudley 3, B. C. Law 4, B. S. Chapman 5, J. J. Morris (cond.) 6. For the Mothers' Union Deanery meeting.

**ELVEDEN, SUFFOLK.**—On May 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Major: G. Reeve 1, D. Reeve 2, A. W. Rolfe 3, H. Ivings 4, R. Rose 5, W. Ivings 6, J. Paul (cond.) 8. For family service.

**FILTON, GLOS.**—On May 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. Buckler (first away from cover) 1, A. Howard (cond.) 2, F. M. Sheldon (first 'inside') 3, Mary Haslum 4, D. S. Voss 5, D. Haslum 6.

**GOSFORTH, NORTHUMBERLAND.**—On May 31st, 1,260 Doubles (eight methods): P. C. E. Shears 1, Joan Walker 2, Gillian Douglas 3, J. A. Sturrock 4, A. G. Craddock (cond.) 5, A. Collingwood (first quarter) 6. First in eight methods by all the band. For Evensong.

**GREAT HALE, Lincs.**—On May 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Daphne P. Brown 1, June Bird 2, Patricia Rooney 3, M. Rooney 4, A. Bid (cond.) 5, G. T. Brown 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. G. H. Owen, for 40 years a chorister.

**RATBY, LEICS.**—On May 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: S. Swift 1, B. D. Sims (cond.) 2, M. Matthews 3, M. F. Hall 4, B. C. Wallis 5, R. Foster 6. By St. Mary's, Handsworth, band.

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## A BISHOP'S BELL INSPIRED VERSES

By the Rev. A. S. Roberts

IT was a happy thought to publish the carol 'The Cornish Bells' in 'The Ringing World' just prior to the visit of the Central Council to Cornwall, and we should be grateful to Mrs. P. J. Stanforth for bringing it to light. The verses have been rightly attributed to the late Rt. Rev. C. W. Stubbs, fourth Bishop of Truro, by various correspondents. The carol, with others from time to time, was first published in the New York 'Outlook,' and all were set to music by the Bishop's son-in-law, the late Dr. T. Tertius Noble, organist of York Minster. Twelve carols with music appeared in a publication called The Truro Carol Book in 1911.

Until the appointment a few years ago of the present Dean (the Very Rev. H. M. Lloyd) the Bishop of Truro had also filled the office of Dean. It was during Bishop Stubbs' reign that the two western towers and spires were built and the ring of ten bells installed. He carried out the great dedication service on June 21st, 1910. It is evident that bells appealed to him—as the bell carol alone signifies, but there are other verses written by the Bishop which I came across some years ago. These may be of special interest to those who so recently visited Truro, as well as to others.

The first little poem is headed 'Truro Cathedral. From the Terrace at Lis Escop.' This Lis Escop was, until about ten years ago, the Bishop's Palace, but it is now a part of the Cathedral School. It is adjoining Kenwyn Churchyard, from which an almost similar view can be had. Many will remember the lovely view through the archway of trees of the Cathedral with the River Fal beyond from Kenwyn Church. These lines make reference to the late Archbishop Benson, first Bishop of Truro, who laid the foundation stone of the Cathedral in 1880. They run:—

Oh look! the Minster towers are red with gold,  
With sunset gold, a shaft sped from afar  
Through cleft in purple hills; above, one star,  
The first of night, gleams o'er the waters cold,  
Where Truro River seeks the sea; enrolled  
In darkening mists the great church stands; a bar  
Of light engilds its spire's high cross, and far  
The evening bell calls to the guarded fold.  
And here he stood, the man who dreamt this dream,  
And fired the heart of Cornwall with his thought  
Three decades since. Today his dream is fact.  
Father in God! I, too, redream thy dream,  
But God in mercy grant the mercy sought  
That all thy dream I yet may see crowned fact.

A note by Bishop Stubbs with the verses says they were 'Written during a period of convalescence in 1910. Dedicated to the people of Cornwall.' It was in 1910 that King

George V was crowned, and for that occasion the new bells were rung, their lovely tones rising to the Terrace at Lis Escop, and the Bishop wrote these lines:—

### CORONATION BELLS

Nursery Rhyme

The King and the Queen in a carriage of gold  
Ride forth to be crowned in the Abbey so old;  
Clash merrily, bells, with your ding-dong!  
Archbishops and Bishops all kneel in a row.

The Lords and the Ladies make homage full low:

Hurrah for the King with his Crown on!

The trumpets they sound and the people do shout,  
Oh that is the way that the thing comes about:

Clash merrily, bells, with your ding-dong.

While you and I, baby, cry 'God bless the King'!

May God bless the King with his crown on!

There are some other fascinating little verses with an evident pun in the first verse. This time the inspiration is not from the new spires of the Cathedral but 'from the old grey tower' of Kenwyn Church just over the fence which divides it from Lis Escop.

TO I. B. V.

Aged 6 years

Is a bird singing,

Is a bell ringing,

Isobel Bessie?

Yes, in a leafy bower,

Yes, from the old grey tower,

Bird and bell, Bessie.

Bird singeth gaily,

Bell ringeth daily,

Joy to thee Bessie.

Joy from the far land.

Joy from the star land.

Angels guard o'er thee.

Happy and holy,

True, sweet and lowly,

Pray God to make thee,

Isobel Bessie.

It is not only in verse that reference has been made to bells as heard from the Terrace of Lis Escop, for in the Life of Bishop Frere, C. S. Phillips, in a chapter on 'August at Lis Escop,' says: 'As a "holiday home" the house could hardly have been better. Its situation on the hillside lifted it well above the City of Truro, and its garden was a beautiful place, though Frere himself had none of the gardening enthusiasm of his predecessor, Bishop C. W. Stubbs, and of his successor, Bishop Hunkin, who have done so much to make it what it is. From one corner of the terrace there is an exquisite view of the Cathedral, and on Sundays and practice nights the sonorous tones of its magnificent old bells could be heard rising from below.' These bells, not so old at 54 years, were heard at their best during the recent visit of the Council, and are now to be assured an active future for, thanks to the Dean and Chapter, it is expected that they will be rehung in readiness for Christmas.

O Cornish bells, ring far, ring free,  
Ring 'Gloria tibi Domine!'



## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

### Master's Encouraging Review

THE experiment suggested at the last A.G.M., of holding the annual meeting away from Brighton, proved very successful when the 79th A.G.M. of the Sussex County Association was held at East Grinstead on May 9th. It was the largest attendance for many years.

Ringling had been arranged by the Northern Division in towers around East Grinstead for those ringers travelling from other Divisions. A wedding, however, necessitated the service being delayed until 5 p.m. This was conducted by the Rev. H. C. F. Copsey (Vicar), who, in his welcome, said he was pleased to see such a wonderful turn-out which included many young ringers. The local band was praised for the efforts so far to raise the necessary money to augment the ring of eight to ten bells.

Approximately 140 sat down to tea in the Church Hall arranged by Mr. and Mrs. Hicks, and the business meeting followed, with the Master (Mr. A. V. Johnson) in the chair. He thanked Mr. Copsey for taking the service and extended a welcome to the Revs. M. R. Newman (Warnham), P. L. Scott (Withyham) and I. Paton-Hunter (Danehill). Also welcomed were two vice-presidents—Messrs. S. E. Armstrong and L. Stilwell, and ringing friends from the East Grinstead and District Guild and the Kent and Surrey Associations.

The meeting stood in silence for those members who had passed away during 1963—Messrs. E. Truster, H. Statham and F. Weller.

After the minutes of the 78th A.G.M. had been signed, the Master's report was presented. This recorded marked progress in all parts of the county. The standard of ringing at meetings had, in his opinion, steadily improved and attendance had been generally good. Ringing for Sunday service had been fairly well maintained and the bells in the county were generally good. Improvements had been carried out at several places, notably the new 'eight' at St. Clement's, Hastings. The resignation of Mr. R. G. Blackman from the office of honorary treasurer for health reasons was regretted. On the proposition of Mr. Swift, seconded by Mr. G. Francis, the report was accepted.

In the treasurer's absence the balance sheet was accepted subject to audit.

The peal secretary (Mr. P. Romney), in his report, recorded 64 peals rung during 1963, one less than the previous year. Nineteen ringers were congratulated on ringing their first peal.

One resident member and three non-resident were elected.

### ELECTIONS

The president (the Bishop of Chichester) and the vice-presidents were re-elected en bloc, and also the Master, the general secretary (Mr. R. W. R. Percy), the peal secretary and the honorary auditors (Messrs. A. Bond and W. A. Riddington). The new honorary treasurer, Mr. A. Hunnisett, was unable to attend meetings and it was decided to elect Mr. W. Leslie Neller in his place, the Master undertaking to write to Mr. Hunnisett to explain the position and have the books forwarded to the auditors.

A letter had been received from one of the trustees, Mr. C. B. Tomkins, who wished to resign owing to his retirement from business. Mr. F. I. Hairs was elected in his place. The honorary general secretary was asked to send a suitable letter of thanks for his many years of service to the Association.

### SUBSCRIPTION

A proposition had been received from the Northern Division as follows: "That in Rule III, Section 3, the sentence referring to subscriptions be altered to read, "Ringing Mem-

bers shall subscribe 5s. annually or 2s. 6d. annually if under the age of 18 years."

Mr. Peter Romney put forward the General Committee's recommendation that the present rule remains for a further year so that the Association can review the financial result.

The present proposition would then come up again for discussion at the 1965 A.G.M. This was carried.

The committee had agreed that the affiliation fee would be abolished as soon as circumstances permitted.

The Southern Division submitted the following proposals:

(a) 'That the grant of £5 towards bell restoration be increased to a maximum of £25, any grant must be approved by the General Committee.—It was decided to leave this over to the 1965 A.G.M.

(b) 'That a committee be set up to revise the "Form of Service" used at Association meetings.—It was decided to form a committee comprising one representative from each Division (to be elected at their next quarterly meetings) and two clergy. The committee would appoint its own convener.

(c) 'That the Association extend an invitation to the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers to meet at Brighton in 1966.

It was decided that in view of the C.C. visit to Eastbourne in 1951 the invitation was premature at the moment.

### DINNER PLANNED

Mr. Bernard Matthews (Western Division) suggested that the 80th anniversary of the Association in 1965 should be commemorated by holding a dinner. A committee, under Mr. Matthews, formed by the Western Division, would look into the matter with a view to holding the same in Brighton. If it was found that the arrangements could be completed in time, their findings would be sent to each Division before their next quarterly meetings.

Mrs. S. Knight (Burgess Hill) said that the honour of life membership had in the past only been conferred on members when they were too old to enjoy same. She proposed that the Master (Mr. R. V. Johnson) and the honorary general secretary (Mr. R. W. R. Percy) be made life members, in view of the service they had given and were giving to the Association. This was seconded by Mr. Brown and carried.

### RUISLIP CAPTAIN RETIRING

Mr. Tom Collins, captain of the ringers at St. Martin's, Ruislip, for the past 10 years, is retiring from that office shortly, but will continue as a member of the band. Now 76 years of age, Mr. Collins can look back on 60 years' service as a ringer at St. Martin's. When Tom joined his uncle, the late Mr. Bill Collins, was captain and another uncle, the late Mr. Harry Collins, was a member of the band.

Apart from ringing, Mr. Collins and his cousin, the late Mr. Billy Bunce (also a ringer), were winders of the church clock. They started this job in 1922, and did it together until 1954, when Mr. Bunce died. Since then Mr. Collins has done the work with the help of Mr. Bill Bunce junior. A retired farmer, Mr. Collins and his wife celebrated their golden wedding last year. They live at 165, Linden Avenue, Ruislip.

Ruislip bell's go back 500 years. The six were recast by Thomas Mears for £146 in 1801, and in 1888 were recast and augmented to eight by John Warner. After the 1914-18 war the bells were rehung, the fourth, fifth and tenor being recast and the others quarter turned by Mears and Stainbank.

## BATH & WELLS ASSOCIATION

### Chew Branch Striking Competition

Following the success of the trial competition held by the Branch last year, it was decided to make this an annual event. The rules remained unaltered (a test piece of 120 Doubles or Minor—preceded by not more than two minutes' unmarked rounds). Bands who habitually united for Sunday service ringing could enter a combined team.

Mr. Albert Tyler, of Bristol, acted as judge at Nempnett Thurbwell on May 23rd. Over 50 ringers adjourned to Butcombe Parish Hall for tea at the conclusion of the ringing after which Mr. Tyler gave his comments and placed the teams as follows: 1 Nailsea and Backwell, 47 faults; 2 Winford and Chew Magna, 52 faults; 3 Portbury, 54 faults; 4 Portishead, 56 faults; 5 Yatton, 57 faults; 6 Wraxall, 62 faults; 7 Wrington, 64 faults.

### New Rate for Postal Subscribers

In accordance with the announcement made at the Central Council meeting at Truro a new rate will operate for postal subscribers renewing their subscriptions or enrolling as new members as from July 3rd. The increase is equivalent to 2s. per annum, and the new rates will be: 3 months 10s.; 6 months 19s.; 12 months £1 17s. Substantial reductions are allowed for subsequent copies.

## STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY

Thanks to the excellent organisation of the local company, a newly formed and progressive company captained by Mr. Remi Hodister, the society had a most successful meeting at St. Leonard's, Bilston, on June 9th.

The ringing room was full all the time the eight bells were available, and the society's form of Evensong was conducted by the Vicar, prior to the excellent tea provided by the willing lady helpers.

The meal over, the secretary asked that any alterations or other copy for the next annual report should be submitted as soon as possible, and also requested that all members should please co-operate with the treasurer more this year, by getting subscriptions paid up as soon as possible. Mr. J. H. Allen gave notice that he was proposing to alter rule 7, by the deletion of the word 'annual.' The following new members were elected: President, Rev. M. S. Hart (Wednesbury). J. Sheldon (All Saints', West Bromwich). J. Smith (Codsall), Miss D. J. Hargreaves and D. J. Large (Great Barr).

The meeting closed with general thanks to all who had contributed to this enjoyable visit to Bilston.

C. M. S.

### Ringers' Sunday at Shipbourne

The newly-formed band at Shipbourne, Kent, held a Ringers' Sunday on May 31st. Besides the local ringers, others were present from Tonbridge, Hadlow and Croydon. The congregation at Evensong were rung into church by the ringing of handbells, and at the end of the service the handbells were again rung in place of the organ. A display of books was on show, including material kindly supplied by Mears and Stainbank. The congregation were invited into the belfry afterwards, when the art of change ringing was explained to them.

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## NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION

Favoured with glorious weather, upwards of 80 members, friends and visiting ringers were present at Barmouth for the annual meeting of the North Wales Association on May 30th.

For most of the member it meant a long but delightful journey through magnificent scenery via Bala and Dolgelly, where several good touches were rung on the recently restored ring of eight.

Then on to Barmouth for lunch and further ringing, followed by a service in church, conducted by the president (Chancellor Dr. Alun Thomas). The address was given by the Rev. Trevor Evans, who welcomed the members and said it was many years since a meeting was last held at Barmouth.

Tea was served in the Church Hall, and followed by the subsequent business meeting, presided over by the president and supported by the Ringing Master and secretary. Towers represented were Mold, Hone, Buckley, Flint, Wrexham, Machynlleth, Rhyl, Llangollen, Dolgelly, Portmadoc, Barmouth and Chester, with visitors from Liverpool, Wolstanton and Dudley.

The president opened the meeting by thanking the Rev. Trevor Evans for a very inspiring address at the service. He based his opening remarks on the word 'Rejoice'. Taking each letter individually he said R stood for ringing being recreative and refreshing, E for the earnestness and ebullience of ringers, J for joy in fellowship, O for order and organisation, and pride in the association, I for intelligence required and sharpness of mind and body, C for character forming, and E for exercise and education.

Officers elected for the ensuing year were: President, Chancellor Dr. Alun Thomas; Ringing Master, Mr. F. R. Evans; honorary secretary and treasurer, Mr. W. Cathrall. District secretaries: Wrexham, Dr. E. V. Woodcock; Bangor and Rhyl, Mr. J. S. Allenby; District instructors, Mr. F. R. Evans and Mr. J. S. Allenby; honorary auditor, Mr. W. H. Lewis; Central Council representative, Dr. E. V. Woodcock.

It was decided to hold the next half-yearly meeting at Abergele on September 5th, and the annual meeting in 1965 at Wrexham on the Saturday after Whitsun.

Twenty new members were elected, which included sixteen from Dolgelly.

A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. A. Bailey to the ladies for providing an excellent tea, and Mr. Harris Barmouth for the arrangements. Mr. D. H. B. Millward thanked the president.

## REACTION AFTER WASHINGTON VISIT

Mr. Harold A. Pittow has received the following letter from Mr. Rick Dirksen, who is in charge of the Washington tower.

'The interest in change ringing which has come about since you left is amazing. A number of women are forming change ringing groups (handbell) and the boys and men who ring here at the Cathedral have made remarkable strides forward. My job has suddenly become much more demanding, but likewise much easier. At least they know what I am talking about now.'

## HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

A quarterly meeting of Hereford District at Wellington on May 23rd, was attended by ringers from Wellington, Bridstow, Fownhope, Burghill, Bodenham, Holmer, the Cathedral, All Saints' (Hereford) and St. Nicholas' (Hereford).

An hour's ringing at St. Margaret's Church was followed by a service conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. W. Price-Johns. Tea in the Memorial Hall was followed by a short business meeting which was presided over by the Vicar.

Four new members from Peterchurch and one from the Cathedral were enrolled.

Meetings for the next quarter: Eaton Bishop, Lugwardine and Clodock; annual bellringing contest October 10th.

F. M.

## ROBIN AND GILLIAN MARRIED



TWO of the most ardent peal ringers in the Exercise, Mr. Robin G. Leale, of Surbiton, and Dr. Gillian Ann Neal Smith, of Twickenham, were married at St. Matthias' Church, Richmond, on May 30th. It was a happy combination of bells and music. In the morning a peal of Cambridge Surprise Major was rung at the Church of All Hallows, Twickenham which is the bride's and her father's regular tower.

The bride is the senior chorister at St. Matthias' Church, where her father, Dr. D. J. Neal Smith, is organist and the 35-strong choir sang during the signing of the register Sir Hubert Parry's anthem, 'I was glad'.

The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. D. Landreth) and the Rev. G. W.

Groves, godfather of the bride. Dr. Arthur Pritchard was organist. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a long dress of oyster slipper satin with a lace coat and train, and carried a bouquet of cream roses. Her sister, Miss Susan Neal Smith, and the Misses Lesley Wilcock and Caroline Bennett (cousins) were the bridesmaids, and Mr. W. Deason was best man.

The reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, 93, Cole Park Road, Twickenham. Among the ringers present were Miss John Rock, Michael Moreton, A. P. Cannon, Wilfred Williams, Fred Scott and Keith Ward.

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## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

When the Northern Branch held an interim meeting at Wiveton on May 23rd, a warm welcome was extended by the Rector, the Rev. A. M. Gamble, who said it was just five years since the meeting scheduled there had had to be cancelled at short notice owing to the dangerous state of the roof. This he was pleased to say had been put in order.

About 50 members and friends sat down to an enjoyable tea, which had been provided by Mr. W. R. West and Mrs. Mabel Francis Gidney. The band were pleased to meet the churchwardens Miss Helen Barclay and Miss J. M. Gosselin.

Great interest has been taken in ringing by boys from the Gresham School, thanks to Mr. P. Cattermole, during his brief stay at the school, and who is now back at university. Handbells were rung both by professionals and the boys, and from rounds to London on the six tower bells.

Bale bells were sampled by a few. Astonishment was on all faces when the ringer of the third left the floor for a matter of six feet when the stay broke. On examination of the bells there was evidence of the amount of work that had been put in by these lads to get the bells ringable. Less towers would be silent if the enthusiasm of these boys was widespread.

The president, Mr. F. N. Golden, proposed the vote of thanks.

## THE LADIES' GUILD

It was cloudy, windless and hot when the Ladies' Guild met at Elstree on May 30th. We were quite glad of the light weight of the six, even though ringing did not begin promptly. The Rector, the Rev. L. Wood, conducted the service—his survey of the history of the church was most interesting, for the present building gives little sign of the antiquity of its predecessors.

After an excellent tea Mrs. K. Lock acted as secretary in Miss Spreadbury's absence for the business meeting. The next 'fifth Sat' being at the end of August, most people felt that it would be better to cancel ours, and possibly to combine with a territorial association which would be faced with the same problem of many members on holiday. There was no doubt where we would be welcome for the October meeting: the Vicar, the hall and the bells have been booked already at St. John the Baptist, Croydon, for the 31st. It is delightful to feel that someone is so keen to have us come. A fortnight before is the joint Middlesex, Oxford and Ladies' Guild meeting at Hillingdon.

New members elected were: The Misses B. Goodspeed, C. Folkes, F. Dodds (all of St. Albans) and D. Robotham (Finchley), with one associate non-ringing member, Mrs. Leach (Ruislip). A discussion on optional two guinea life memberships took place; the subject will be raised again. After many thanks to the Rector and Mr. Hyde, the members went to South Mym's for more ringing.

J. S.



# Letters to the Editor

## Inconsistencies

Dear Sir.—May I, as a comparative newcomer to ringing, be allowed to make a few comments on the subject of lead ends/lead heads. To me the terms as used in recent correspondence seem to be bristling with inconsistencies.

Mr. McClenahan, Mr. Hodgson and Mr. Baldwin all refer to the treble handstroke lead row as the 'lead end' and the treble backstroke lead row as the 'lead head' (pages 324, 356 and 340 respectively), but it is evident from Mr. C. A. Lewis' letter (page 324) and from common usage as observed in my own short experience, not to mention volumes of past literature, that the backstroke row is generally known as the 'lead end.' The situation becomes even more complex when Mr. A. York-Bramble goes on to elaborate on twin-hunt methods. May I ask what happens when we have a method with two treble bob hunts, such as *Surfleet Surprise Caters*? Does the lead end then come when the treble dodges with the other hunt bell?

The inconsistency is made worse because several C.C. publications refer to the backstroke row as the 'lead end,' among them 'An Elementary Handbook for Beginners in the Art of Change Ringing' (see the text on Bob Minimus page 5) published as late as 1962. Snowdon can hardly be blamed for this!

However, there does seem to be some well founded justification for sticking to the term 'lead end,' apart from its obvious long standing.

Ringing always commences and finishes with rounds, and changes commence at the command 'Go next (handstroke).' Thus (practically speaking) if the lead commences at handstroke it must end at backstroke. This is also consistent with the bells being pulled off at handstroke and set, at the termination of ringing, after the backstroke pull (referred to as 'set at handstroke,' being thus ready to be pulled off again at handstroke). This impression receives support from the punctuation given to ringing by open lead ringing. One would surely expect the interval to come at the lead end.

The usage 'lead end' is also in line with the terms 'course end' and 'part end' which should also be changed to 'course head' and 'part head' if 'lead head' is to be adopted.

One wonders why the term 'lead end' should be applied to the handstroke row since no practical use seems to be made of this row, and therefore there is no necessity for it to be named any more than other rows in the lead. There seems to be no reason why the backstroke row should not be referred to as both 'the lead end' and 'the lead head' being the row to which one lead progresses and the row from which the succeeding lead starts, and whichever term is used this is the sense in which it is to be understood, and which, I believe, is the way all ringers understand it.

To bring another hunt bell into the argument is surely unnecessary. Such a bell is in the hunt only until such time as a call is made and in this respect does not differ in character from the bell which returns to its own place again at the end of each lead in the thirty-six Doubles methods with a three lead plain course, in Section III of Collection of Doubles Methods. *Grandsire*, *Antelope*, etc., could well have been included in Section IIIb being merely special cases of methods with a three lead plain course.

I am bound to agree with Mr. C. A. Lewis, in his request for the dividing line to be drawn below the backstroke row, since

whether 'lead end' or 'lead head,' it is the most important row and by this alone deserves to be underlined. I find the 'improved' method harder to read. In fact, referring to the 'Doubles Methods' collection, the setting out of the New *Grandsire* and New *Antelope* series is not clear, and cannot be so by the system adopted unless two complete leads are given since the first 'lead' (as given) contains only nine rows when one would expect ten. This would not be so bad if some explanation were given, such as is given in Mr. A. York-Bramble's letter.

Speaking again as one who has taken up bellringing in middle age, these inconsistencies do not make things any easier for the beginner. Could we not have a move toward greater consistency and therefore toward greater simplicity? In doing so, let it be remembered that to change time-honoured terms and methods more often than not leads to greater complication rather than simplicity.—Yours faithfully,

LATE STARTER

P.S.—Mr. McClenahan introduces a further inconsistency in wanting to call rounds the zero-th lead head. Rounds is at the head of the first lead and should therefore be the first lead head.—L. S.

## Congratulations, Truro

Dear Sir.—I was one of the members who complained at the Central Council last year and asked for more ringing arrangements for those who stay on with their families for the week.

May I through the columns of 'The Ringing World' congratulate the Truro Diocesan Guild on the ringing arrangements in the Truro district.

Many members and families made this their holiday and ringing was available or easily obtainable up to Friday. Thanks are due to those who made the arrangements and to the clergy who even at short notice made their bells available. Good show.—Yours, etc.,

Eastbourne.

R. W. R. PERCY.

## Peal Renamed

Dear Sir.—Following the Central Council meeting's adoption of the Records Committee's report I give notice that the method named *Godmanchester* will now be known by its original name, i.e., *Westray Surprise Major*. All those concerned, please note.—Yours faithfully,

Cambridge.

G. E. THODAY.

## In and Out of Course

Dear Sir.—May I suggest this, as an easier method of determining whether rows are in course or out of course than the one illustrated by John C. Baldwin (page 340).

To ascertain whether any row is positive or negative, we add the number of times a lower number succeeds a higher number in any row.

1 is less than 4.	2.	= 2
3 is less than 6.	4.	= 2
5 is less than 8.	6.	= 2
7 is less than 8.		= 1

Total 7

Seven is an odd number and the row is therefore out of course.

This can be done mentally with little effort. The theory is explained in an article on Determinants (Enc Britt, 1910).—Yours faithfully,

Basingstoke.

MICHAEL S. HOLBROOK.

## Nomenclature to boost Conductors' Ego

Dear Sir.—After the Central Council meeting at Truro I was discussing with my wife (not a ringer) the motion put by Mr. Bayles concerning nomenclature and classification of methods and she said, 'Why not name them after the "inventors" of the methods?' I pointed out that all the really good basic methods had been 'invented' years ago and that these new ones were mainly variations which it was only a matter of 'peeling' before naming them.

She then made the (I thought) bright suggestion that methods be named after the conductor of the peal concerned, with the addition of a number where necessary (where a conductor 'bags' more than one).

Since the main objections raised at the C.C. meeting were: (a) to nomenclature by numbers and/or symbols only, and (b) to ridiculous names, this idea seems to have certain advantages as follows:

(1) There would be no chance of running out of method names. You would possibly get 'Fred Smith 6 Surprise Major,' 'Fred Smith 14 Surprise Major' and 'Fred Smith 6 Surprise Royal,' but to those persons interested in ringing them they would clearly be different methods.

(2) You'd have a job finding ringers called *Ob* or *Xerxes* names, which bring the present system to ridicule. (Noms de plume would not be permitted.) Thus all new method names would be of normal length and easily pronounceable.

(3) It might boost the ego of those conductors who like ringing new methods and they would possibly vie with one another for the highest number after their name.

(4) With or without 'official' sanction there is, as far as I can see, nothing to prevent someone who thinks well of the idea starting to use it as from now.

The only difficulty would be where two conductors called Bill Smith both adopted this scheme, but no doubt a way round this could be found. (Consider the number of years that no one confused John Freeman with John A. Freeman.) Anyway, I am putting the idea forward for consideration—it could possibly be elaborated a little to also indicate the type of method—and should the committees of the Central Council who are concerned with this sort of thing consider it worth adopting, it could possibly be made 'official' next year.—Yours, etc.,

W. H. VIGGERS.

Aldershot.

## Winchester's 'New' Bell

Dear Sir.—In the picture on page 339 the wooden objects projecting upwards from the headstock are not, as might at first be thought, some fiendish double stay, but the remains of the wheel. The stay is that curious 'spur' shaped attachment at the other end of the headstock and it was designed to engage with the iron strip projecting upwards from the frame member level with the waist of the bell. I have not seen this type anywhere else: can anyone say whose design it is, and whether there are still samples of it in use?

With regard to the ringers' fund for tuning, etc., I was a little premature in asking for donations to be sent to Denn's Brown.

Our appeal, for which approximately £40 is the target, has been placed in the hands of our secretary/treasurer, Herbert Stocks, whose address is 5, Nelson Road, Winchester.—Yours faithfully,

W. O. HAYTHORNE.

Winchester.

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## RINGING TOUR IN SIX COUNTIES

A party of eight ringers from East Grinstead and District gathered in Tunbridge Wells on May 15th for their annual Whitsun tour. With Brian Jeffries and John Warner acting as drivers we set forth in glorious weather for Banbury (The Mount Hotel, Oxford Road), which was to be our home for the next three days. Alan, Christine and Keith with his box of handbells, were picked up en route and Banbury not reached until 12.10 a.m. We were very grateful to the hotel proprietor who so thoughtfully provided tea and biscuits at this late hour.

On Saturday we set forth at 9 a.m. for Swafield (Oxon), a 13 cwt. six ringing by Gillett and Johnston in 1933. Here we were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Koome and friends from the Northampton area, together with Colin Cook. After a good lower in peal, we moved on to Brailes (Warwickshire), the second heaviest six in the country, with a tenor weighing 29 cwt. These bells were rung by Taylors in 1958.

Our next tower at Great Tew was in a charming old-world village nestling in the heart of the Oxfordshire countryside. En route to Deddington the minibus ran out of petrol in the middle of nowhere, which caused a certain amount of alarm and despondency but help in the way of a gallon of petrol was obtained from a neighbouring farm and also from a passing motorist. An excellent lunch was obtained at Deddington before ringing on this very pleasant eight. Tracks were then made for Adderbury (Oxon), where an hour was spent. From here to Bloxham to the church of Our Lady of Bloxham. The Vicar here told the author that on occasions he gets a thousand people in his congregation.

Tea was taken at Banbury (with cakes!), before going to St. Mary's Church to ring on the ten. The last call of the day was at the Home Farm Campanile, Balscote. There are 14 bells here, all rung on bicycle wheels and the ringing chamber is in the owner's wash-house.

Leaving Banbury at 9.31 a.m. on Whit Sunday we made record time to Stratford-on-Avon (22 miles in 30 minutes), where we rang for morning service on the lovely ten and also attended service. A picnic lunch prepared by the ladies of the band was had on the banks of the Avon. After lunch handbells were rung and they were a real joy to listen to. On now to Wellesbourne-Hastings (Warwickshire), to the church of St. Peter and then to St. Nicholas (Warwick), where we rang various methods on the lovely eight. The ten at St. Mary's (Warwick), were rung for evening service and the author was privileged to see and hear a four-manual organ built by Hope, Jones and Morgan, of Birkenhead, and reconditioned by Comptons. It is unfortunately in need of repair one again. Tea supper was had in a restaurant at Warwick before returning to Banbury via Avon Dassett and Farnborough.

Banbury was left at 9.5 a.m. Monday en route for Maids Moreton, Bucks (a lovely six hung by Taylors). A very good lower in peal

## THE 'EVEREST' BAND REASSEMBLE



The band who rang 40,320 Plain Bob Major at Loughborough Bell Foundry, July 27th-28th, 1963, taken outside Birmingham Cathedral. Left to right, standing: John C. Eisel (5), John Robinson (6), Brian Harris (7), Robert B. Smith (conductor, tenor), John A. Acres (umpire). Kneeling: Brian J. Woodruffe (treble), John M. Jelley (2), Neil Bennett (3), Frederick Shallcross (4).

completed the ringing before going to Wicken (Northants). Apart from the six bells Shenley (Bucks) has a magnificent two-manual organ built by A. P. Mander which the author was privileged to play. The Rector kindly invited us to coffee, but unfortunately we were unable to accept due to time. Lunch was taken at Loughton. Now on to Linslade, home of the great train robbers of everlasting fame. A mishap en route due to navigation landed us at Old Linslade instead of Linslade. We discovered when we finally arrived at Linslade, a mile or so further down the road, that the old church we had gone to had only one bell. On again to Leighton Buzzard (Beds), to ring on the beautiful Taylor cast ten. We arrived late at Cheddington (Bucks) and were only able to ring two methods. Here we met up with a party from South Mymms (Herts) who were on a day tour. On again to Tring (Herts), to ring on the eight and to Berkhamsted for tea, which unfortunately delayed our arrival at Bushey Heath (Herts) by one hour. However, the local ringer was got from his house by John and very kindly let us ring for  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour. After this the homeward run. Handbells were rung by Hilary, David, Keith and Colin in the minibus.

Methods rung throughout the tour ranged from Grandsire Doubles, Stedman Doubles to Superlative, Double Norwich Major, Double Norwich Caters, Bristol Major and Kent Royal.

Grateful thanks to all incumbents and the originators of this tour. G. T. F.-H.

## DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

### Chesterfield District's Striking Competition

The Chesterfield District second striking competition, held at Clay Cross on May 9th, was once again a success.

Six teams entered this year but as the ringers from one of these—North Wingfield—had never before attended a meeting in such numbers, the competition was worthwhile from that point of view alone!

After an excellent tea in the nearby school rooms, the judges (Messrs. D. R. Carlisle and D. Friend) gave some very helpful advice and criticism on the standard of ringing. The results were as follows: 1st, Old Whittington (Oxford T.B. 244 pts.); 2nd, Dronfield (Oxford 237); 3rd, Bolsover (Plain Bob, 220); 4th, Staveley (call-changes, 200); 5th, North Wingfield (Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles, 196) and 6th, Clowne (Plain Hunt, 102).

The tower captain at Clay Cross, Mr. J. Price, presented the District Shield to Mr. S. Lawrence, captain of the winning team, and warmly congratulated them on a fine performance. As this year's contest was a knock-out heat for the Association's final, Old Whittington, Dronfield and possibly Bolsover will go forward to compete for the Horsley Cup.

Next meeting: June 13th, Creswell.

M. P. P.

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## OBITUARY

### MR. B. GREATOREX

With regret we record the death of Mr. Benjamin Greatorex, a ringer at Wirksworth for over 60 years. Mr. Greatorex died at his home on May 9th, and is survived by a widow, a married son and small grandson.

He was a staunch supporter of the Old Midland Counties Association and regularly attended its annual meetings at Derby, Nottingham, Leicester and Burton-on-Trent. There is no record of the number of peals rung, but most of these were for the M.C.A. In 1946 the Derby and District Association (now the Derby Diocesan Association) was formed from the old Midland Counties Association and Ben Greatorex was a founder member and supported it until his health prevented him from attending meetings. In 1961 he was elected an honorary life member. His last peal was one of Kent Treble Bob Major rung at Wirksworth on April 6th, 1957, which was also the last peal on the bells. Much to Ben's disgust peal ringing has been banned at Wirksworth—a situation that exists at a number of Derbyshire towers.

Ben Greatorex had not been able to ring for several years, and since then Wirksworth band has gradually deteriorated. It was only a short time ago that the general secretary heard of his death, and consequently the Association was not represented at the funeral. However, permission was obtained for a quarter peal which was rung on June 1st with the bells half-muffled. It was 1,260 Stedman Triples, rung by B. P. Morris 1, J. F. Smallwood (cond.) 2, F. R. Lowe 3, P. Taylor 4, G. Clift 5, H. Taylor 6, R. H. Bullen 7, G. Paulson 8.

Ben Greatorex maintained his interest in ringing right up to the last, and was always delighted to see any of his ringing friends and to talk of the days when he rang peals with M. Swinfield, J. George and J. Paget. He looked forward to 'The Ringing World' every week. Another old friend who was unable to get to Wirksworth for the quarter peal but wished to be associated was Mr. Fred Adams, of Staveley, a vice-president of the Association. B. P. M.

### MR. P. H. STAFFORD

Captain at Caerleon, Newport, Monmouthshire, for many years previous to his death, on May 16th, Mr. Percival H. Stafford leaves behind a long record of faithful service. He was 77 years of age and was present in the tower on the Sunday before his death.

He was taught to ring at Caerleon just over 60 years ago and was a regular and punctual ringer.

His name was only seen a few times in the peal columns, these being in the 1920's. He liked Grandsire and Stedman Triples, and also call changes. The bells at Caerleon were rung half-muffled to call changes during the evening after the funeral. D. P.

### MR. F. W. ROGERS

With deep regret we record the sudden death of Mr. Frederick W. Rogers, of Cosham, Portsmouth, on June 9th, while on a visit to Mr. A. York-Bramble at Southsea.

Mr. Rogers' services to the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild were outstanding. For 25 years he was general secretary of the Guild, retiring in 1955. At the annual meeting in 1936 at Ryde he was presented with a model bell, suitably inscribed, mounted on a small frame, a pen and pencil set, and also a cheque. He was elected Master of the Guild and this post he held until two years ago, when he retired and was succeeded by Canon K. W. H. Felstead. In his prime he was one of the finest heavy bell ringers in the country.

To his memory the bells of Portsmouth Cathedral were rung half-muffled to Grandsire Caters on Saturday afternoon. The funeral service, followed by cremation, took place on Monday.

### MR. LEONARD FIDLER

The death occurred on June 12th, at the age of 77 years, of Mr. Leonard Fidler, of Hitchin, Herts. Although he had been unable to ring for about eight years his interest in the local band continued and, whenever his health permitted, he was present at the annual tower meetings. Some weeks ago Mr. Fidler had a fall and fractured his hip; an unfortunate accident from which he never fully recovered.

Len Fidler was elected a member of the band at Hitchin in 1908 and rang his first peal the following year. In the years between the wars he helped to build a local band which was one of the foremost in Hertfordshire. The records show a steady flow of quarter peals rung for Sunday services, both in the standard methods and several Surprise methods. In most of these Len rang on the 'heavy end' and conducted many of the performances.

His peal total for the Hertford County Association was 27, and his great love of Double Norwich is reflected in the fact that no less than 11 of these were in this method.

In 1947 his services to ringing were honoured in his election as president of the Hertford County Association. The writer's acquaintance with Len Fidler did not begin until the twilight of his career, but even then his regard for Sunday service ringing and his earnest desire for a high standard of striking were still evident. His service to St. Mary's had been long and faithful; as a ringer for 56 years and as captain since 1947. To his family we extend our sympathy in their sad loss.

A. R. A.

**HENLOW, BEDS.**—On May 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Thompson 1, S. J. Philbrick 2, F. Mitchell 3, G. Mayes 4, M. Major 5, L. H. Bywaters (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled for A. S. Hall, churchwarden, interred this day.

## KNUTSFORD'S ROYAL MAY DAY

The recent death of Sydney Hough, sen., and the peal rung at Knutsford on May 2nd to celebrate the centenary of the May Day Festival brings back some happy memories.

Nowadays, owing to traffic problems, the celebration is held on the first Saturday in May, formerly it was held on the first of May. My introduction to the May Day ringing was on May 1st, 1920, also it was the first time, but not the last, I sampled the hospitality of the Houghs—theirs was open house and what with young Sid and Norman dashing in and out like scalded cats, selling programmes and coming back for more, at the same time snatching samples of the good fare laid out for the visitors and the many visitors who did pop in. Mrs. Hough had her hands full.

On this day of days the kids of Knutsford had the time of their lives, for the May Queen it was a proud moment and the girl chosen had something to be proud of as with her retinue she was the centre-piece around which everything revolved. The children were dressed to represent every known character in nursery rhymes and other mythical beings, whilst the two men who bore the sedan chair developed a whale of a thirst. Added to these were the gaily decorated tradesmen's vehicles whose proud horses seemed to sense the gaiety of the occasion. The crowning of the May Queen and the dancing around the maypole took place on the Green witnessed by hundreds of visitors even in those days.

A feature of Knutsford for this particular Festival was the sanding of the streets, sand being sprinkled on the ground and formed into innumerable patterns and woe betide anyone who trampled on the designs before the day was out.

The ringing continued throughout the day and the appreciation of the Festival Committee in those days was shown in a practical manner by seeing that the ringers had some cash to obtain the refreshment necessary to drink their health.

After the formal Festival there was all the fun of the fair to enjoy so everyone stayed as long as possible, the journey home was not thought of then. Eventually the time of departure arrived and though tired we set off for home. By the time Moberly was reached I had a puncture but no repair outfit, anyhow more by good luck than management, a penny stump I had on me served as a temporary repair and although I had to use the pump several times, I did manage to get home, very tired but like many other ringers, quite happy at the pleasure I had had ringing—was it worth that weary ride home? Yes, of course it was?

JOHN P. FIDLER

## LONDON UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

Whit week-end was spent by eight members and friends of London University Society touring North Hampshire.

The party arrived at Overton on Friday night to join in the local practice and a snatch at Laverstoke. A spice of adventure was provided on Saturday by attempting the almost unringable bells at Hurstbourne Priors (6) and Nether Wallop (5), where a loose frame had cracked the tower. There was also the tall shaky tower at Andover (8). However, some good bells were included.

Compensations were forthcoming on Sunday with early ringing at 7.30 at Overton, New and Old Alresford and, in the afternoon, the splendid 12 at Winchester Cathedral. In the evening we joined the boys of Winchester College at the college chapel.

To mark the 50th anniversary of the ordination as priest of the Rev. Powell Miller, former Rector of St. Olave's, a quarter of Cambridge Major was rung at Highclere. Among other towers visited were Kingsclere (8), All Saints', Basingstoke (9), where Bob Caters was rung, and the musical eight at St. Michael's, Basingstoke—for Erin and Double Norwich. Thanks are accorded Diana Frost for organising a very successful tour and to incumbents and local ringers.

R. E. J. D.

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**CORSTON, SOMERSET**

The excellence of the bells made up for the deficiencies of the weather when All Saints' Corston, ringers and friends visited the New Forest area for their annual outing.

The fine-toned eight at Romsey Abbey were much enjoyed. Despite the heavy Bournemouth traffic, Lyndhurst was reached on time. The tower appeared to be somewhat mobile, but a good course of Cambridge was brought round.

After a picnic lunch, good use was made of the light six at Brockenhurst, where ringing included a ladies' touch of Stedman. Tea was taken at Lymington, after which an hour was spent in the tower, where perhaps the most enjoyable ringing of the day took place. The last tower was Cranborne, Dorset, the route thereto passing mile after mile of rhododendrons in full flower. These bells were also put to good use.

Thanks are extended to all incumbents and to those who met us.

**TOTTENHOE, BEDS**

The Vale of Evesham, the Cotswolds and the Malvern Hills were included in the itinerary of Totternhoe ringers during their outing on May 30th. Coffee at Evesham preceded ringing on the sixes at Cropthorne and Elmley Castle. Thirst was quenched after this by 'village-brewed' cider.

Lunch was taken at Worcester and the afternoon's ringing was at Malvern Link and Pershore Abbey. The climb to the 'bird cage' at the Abbey was negotiated and some successful Major rung on the majestic eight. Tea followed and Eckington and Ebrington visited to conclude the day's ringing. Thunderstorms accompanied us to Banbury, but did not dampen our spirits for the stop at Brackley.

Mr. R. J. Smith is thanked for organising another successful day, and also incumbents and ringers who met us.

C. S.

**OUTINGS****RAVING RINGERS IN NORTH BUCKS**

An extensive repertoire of methods was indulged in by the Society of Raving Ringers during their day's outing in North Bucks. There was Cambridge and Kent at Mursley (6) and Bristol, Yorkshire and Stedman at Bletchley where Mr. Marks welcomed the party. Milton Keynes bells were hard going, but after dinner the six at North Crawley were a compensation.

At Chicheley Norwich Surprise was rung on a hard-going six and Bristol and Stedman at Newport Pagnell. Following the tea break came Clifton Reynes but two cars nearly didn't make it—one ran out of petrol and the other went to the wrong tower. Lathbury (5) sallies were found to be a yard too low. The day finished with Double Norwich at Hanslope.

B. J. D.

**ST. ALDATE'S, OXFORD**

Several learners not used to ringing on strange bells and friends from other towers were included in the outing of St. Aldate's, Oxford, on May 30th, which was the first attempted for several years.

The 17 cwt six at West Hanney were found to be easy to handle but rather loud inside the tower. Next came the light six at Brightwalton followed by a picnic tea, with tea brewed without a teapot—a brown, warm and almost tasteless liquid. After a lesson by the branch secretary on 'how to replace the rear window of a mini-bus after some idiot had pushed it out' the journey was resumed to Bedwyn Magna. Despite some finding this 28 cwt. six rather a handful, several methods were managed with some of the local ringers. Ringing concluded at Mildenhall.

Thanks go to Edward Venn, the organiser, and Bob Benstead, the capable driver.

P. J. H.

**ST. MARY'S ROUGHAM, SUFFOLK**

A start at 6 a.m. was made by St. Mary's Rougham, ringers and friends (numbering 42) for their outing to Coventry on May 23rd. En route ringing took place at Elston (John Bunyan's birthplace) and Dunchurch (tenor 19 cwt.) where Plain Bob Minor, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Ipswich Surprise were rung.

After lunch at Coventry the film 'On the fall and rise of the new Cathedral' was seen at the Cathedral. Ringers of the party then visited the light eight at Allesley and joined the rest who had been sightseeing in Coventry before continuing the journey to Warwick for a welcome tea. At the well-known tower of St. Nicholas', Warwick, the best touch of the day was rung—Kent T.B. Major. A call at Whitnash on the homeward journey produced some good touches of Plain Bob. St. Clement's, Cambridge and Oxford Bob.

A very tired party reached Rougham at 12.15 p.m. to be met by the Rector, the Rev. G. E. Jarrold. His wife, who with some of the choir accompanied the party, proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. L. Wright (the organiser). The ringers are very grateful to Mr. F. W. Perrens, who arranged the towers, film show and meals and even pilots for the coach!

**50 YEARS AGO**

'R.W.' May 1st, 1914.—

BY GEORGE!—The patron saint of England, whose festival falls on April 23rd, has many namesakes among the ringing fraternity, and on more than one occasion Georges have celebrated the day by ringing a peal. On Thursday of last week eight of them again marked the festival by scoring a 5,088 Kent Treble Bob. Not only was the peal rung, composed and conducted by Georges, but to make the record complete it was rung at the Church of St. George, Camberwell.

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On Monday the Editor received a phone call from Mr. J. L. Garner-Hayward, hon. secretary of the Coventry Diocesan Guild, who we regret to state, is in King's College Hospital, London. Last Thursday he underwent an operation, which is regarded as successful. Those who attended Coventry Cathedral Rally last year will recall that he was forced to hobble around with the aid of a stick. At that time he must have been in considerable pain although he tried to hide it as much as possible.

Miss Christine A. Major, former Rainham ringer, won prizes for anatomy and physiology at the Elizabeth Garrett Hospital, St. Pancras, London, where she is training for a nurse. Congratulations, Christine!

The following tribute has been paid by a lady to the Washington ten: 'Everyone missed all the ringers. I don't know when in all my life I have met such a fine and splendid group of men.' 'Perhaps the selection wasn't so bad after all,' writes our correspondent.

Mr. William S. Deason should be associated with the peal rung at All Hallows', Twickenham, in honour of the marriage of Mr. Robin G. Leale and Miss Gillian A. Neal Smith. Mr. Deason stood down, the band having met one short for Royal.

The golden wedding of a former Rainham ringer, Mr. Robert Belsey, was honoured by a quarter peal on the bells on June 2nd. He and his wife now live at Ditton, Maidstone, and before that at Headcorn. Unfortunately, owing to losing a leg, Mr. Belsey cannot now ring, but he sat in a car and listened to the bells he and his family rung for many years in the past.

When the late Arthur Craven produced the figures for a new Surprise method over 40 years ago he gave them to the band at Pudsey and suggested they might call it Pudsey Surprise. Two of the ringers in the peal of Pudsey at Pudsey on June 6th were members of the band when the method was first rung there—William Barton and John Ambler. It was not thought in those days that it would become a standard method.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

The Editor thanks the many correspondents for their advice in the way peals should be presented. Most of the defects mentioned were patent to him in the first issue. He is flattered to think that the alteration he is making this week coincides with the improvements many of our readers have suggested.

Mr. B. S. Neale, of the South Wales Nomads, writes to tell his friends that there is a final e to his name.

More girls than boys rang their first peal in Sussex during 1963. Is this a general pointer?

The name of Mr. F. W. Perrens should be included in the list of life members attending the Central Council meeting at Truro. See page 354.

The number of changes in the peal of Yorkshire Major at St. Denys, Cornwall (see page 381), was 5,024 and not 5,056 as printed.

Our correspondent asks us to correct the footnote of the peal of Belgrave Surprise rung at Caythorpe on May 2nd (page 384). It should read: First peal in the method by all the band except the ringer of sixth.

Mr. B. L. Burrows informs us of his slip-up in sending in a report of a peal at Croft (page 364). The date was May 1st and not April 3rd, and the time 2 hours 28 minutes and not 2 hours 38 minutes.

The peal at Silsoe, Beds, on May 18th should receive an honourable mention. It was one of Minor, seven methods, and was the first peal for the conductor (Mr. R. Law) and three others, and first in seven methods for the remainder of the band.

Mr. E. R. Warner, of Woking, received the congratulations of his fellow ringers at Holy Trinity, Guildford, on the 40th anniversary of his wedding on June 7th, and Mrs. Warner came into the belfry after the quarter peal in honour of the day to thank the ringers for their congratulations. Mr. Warner has been ringing for 48 years and he has subscribed to 'The Ringing World' constantly throughout this period. He showed his appreciation of the journal by sending a cheque.

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## TWELVE AND TEN BELL PEALS

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

On Thurs., June 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

FRANK E. HAYNES .. .. Treble	EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. 7
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 2	GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 8
MURIEL REAY .. .. 3	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 9
RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 4	DAVID J. PURNELL .. .. 10
PHILIP G. K. DAVIES .. .. 5	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. 11
MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. 6	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. .. Tenor

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

BIRMINGHAM.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip.  
On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 3 Hours and 35 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

MARYL R. CROSTHWAITE .. Treble	KENNETH J. HESKETH .. .. 7
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. 2	PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. 8
MURIEL REAY .. .. 3	DAVID J. PURNELL .. .. 9
JENNIFER M. COOK .. .. 4	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. 10
NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 5	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. 11
GEOFFREY PEARSON .. .. 6	*GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH W. PARKER. Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.  
\* 100th peal of Cambridge Maximus.

BIRMINGHAM.—At the Church of St. Martin.  
On Tues., June 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 36 cwt. 110 lb. in C.

ELIZABETH TIMMINS .. Treble	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. 6
GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 2	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. .. 7
MARYL R. CROSTHWAITE .. 3	DAVID J. PURNELL .. .. 8
MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. .. 4	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. .. 9
GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 5	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
CHEPSTOW, Monmouthshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Fri., May 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 19 cwt.

ANN M. COX .. .. Treble	GWILYM SALMON .. .. 6
FRANK L. HARRIS .. .. 2	LEWIS F. COBB .. .. 7
JOHN HARTLESS .. .. 3	EDWARD J. CHIVERS .. .. 8
REGINALD W. REX .. .. 4	RONALD N. MARLOW .. .. 9
PHILIP N. TUBBS .. .. 5	R. ROGER SAVORY .. .. Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH. Conducted by R. ROGER SAVORY.

NEWPORT, Mon.—At the Pro-Cathedral Church of St. Woolos.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb. in E flat.

DONALD G. CLIFT .. Treble	JOHN HARTLESS .. .. 7
ANN M. COX .. .. 2	EDWARD J. CHIVERS .. .. 8
R. ROGER SAVORY .. .. 3	FRANK L. HARRIS .. .. 9
JAMES E. DANIELS .. .. 4	PHILIP N. TUBBS .. .. 10
REGINALD W. REX .. .. 5	RONALD N. MARLOW .. .. 11
GWILYM SALMON .. .. 6	LEWIS F. COBB .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by FRANK L. HARRIS.

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

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5057 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb.

SHIRLEY M. DREW .. Treble	DAVID J. KING .. .. 6
JACQUELINE S. KING .. .. 2	WILLIAM F. SCUDAMORE .. 7
DAVID PIKE .. .. 3	D. KENVYN WALTERS .. .. 8
AUSTIN T. WINGATE .. .. 4	GEOFFREY R. DREW .. .. 9
GEORGE T. COUSINS .. .. 5	GEORGE WARD .. .. Tenor

Composed by MORRIS J. MORRIS. Conducted by DAVID J. KING.

50th peal as conductor for the Association.

Arranged and rung as a farewell to the Vicar, the Ven. Archdeacon Ernest P. Evans, who is leaving Chepstow for the parish of Llantilio Crossenny.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
SOUTHAMPTON, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sat., June 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5075 GRANDSIRE CATERS

CAROLYN VIBERT .. Treble	†MICHAEL D. TRIGG .. .. 6
MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. .. 2	†JOHN H. TAYLOR .. .. 7
JOHN R. FAITHFULL .. .. 3	R. ROGER SAVORY .. .. 8
*MALCOLM M. POWELL .. .. 4	DAVID E. HOUSE .. .. 9
†STEPHEN KIRBY .. .. 5	DEREK C. JACKSON .. .. Tenor

Composed by B. JEALOUS. Conducted by R. ROGER SAVORY.

\* First peal of Grandsire. † First 10-bell peal, and first of Grandsire. The second ringer has now 'circled' the tower.

Rung on the 20th anniversary of D-Day. Tenor 16 cwt. 43 lb.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.  
SOLIHULL, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Alphege.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 PUDSEY SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 11 lb. in E flat.

*PERCY STONE .. Treble	†IAN D. THOMPSON .. .. 6
*MARYL R. CROSTHWAITE .. 2	L. MICHAEL CALLOW .. .. 7
*HUBERT G. SUMMERS .. .. 3	*ERNEST J. GOWER .. .. 8
FRANK W. PERRENS .. .. 4	*HUBERT E. ASHLEY .. .. 9
*DAVID J. ALLEN .. .. 5	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by PETER BORDER.

\* First peal of Pudsey Surprise Royal. † First on ten bells. First of Pudsey Surprise Royal by the Guild.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ASHTON-under-LYNE.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Tues., June 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS

BASIL JONES .. Treble	*DEREK F. YATES .. .. 7
*CHRISTINE ANDREW .. .. 2	†RONALD M. EDWARDS .. .. 8
EDWARD JENKINS .. .. 3	†DEREK A. ASHTON .. .. 9
CAROL FERNLEY .. .. 4	†GORDON BENFIELD .. .. 10
*PETER J. MALLOCH .. .. 5	†WILLIAM H. DOWSE .. .. 11
†ALAN MCFALL .. .. 6	††ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN WORTH. Conducted by ROBERT B. SMITH.  
\* First peal of T.B. Maximus. † First of Kent T.B. Maximus.  
‡ 550th peal. Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 25 lb.

Rung as a compliment to Robert and Cynthia Warrilow on the birth of a daughter (Judith Ann).

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

KIDDERMINSTER.—At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 24 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb. in D.

EDWARD JENKINS .. Treble	ALAN A. POTTS .. .. 7
*ALAN MCFALL .. .. 2	BASIL JONES .. .. 8
HAROLD C. LONYON .. .. 3	PETER WHITEHEAD .. .. 9
FRANK OSBALDISTON .. .. 4	BRIAN WOODRUFFE .. .. 10
C. KENNETH LEWIS .. .. 5	ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. 11
JOHN WORTH .. .. 6	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH. Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

\* First peal on 12 bells.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

GRANTHAM, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Wulfram.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 3 Hours and 31 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

DENIS A. FRITH .. Treble	WILLIAM A. LACEY .. .. 6
ALAN E. HARTLEY .. .. 2	J. BARRY PICKUP .. .. 7
GEOFFREY M. BREWIN .. .. 3	E. ALAN JACQUES .. .. 8
MARTIN C. FAULKES .. .. 4	A. MAXWELL LINDSEY .. .. 9
ROLAND H. COOK .. .. 5	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. SEDGLEY. Conducted by WILLIAM A. LACEY.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

EATON SOCON, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 12 methods, comprising 576 of Bristol and Rutland, 512 of Eastcote, 384 each of Cray, Ealing, Lincolnshire, London, New Gloucester, Superlative and Yorkshire, and 352 each of Cambridge and Wembley; with 145 changes of method.

PATRICIA J. LAYCOCK .. Treble	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 5
*FREDERICK R. SCOTT .. .. 2	*J. KEITH WARD .. .. 6
JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 3	JACK S. DEAR .. .. 7
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 4	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. Tenor

Composed by DAVID W. BEARD. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of 12-Spliced Surprise Major.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

BUNBURY, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Boniface.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 3 Hours.

### A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb.

ROBERT WARRILOW .. Treble	*DAVID ATKINSON .. .. 5
C. KENNETH LEWIS .. .. 2	JOHN WORTH .. .. 6
HAROLD C. LONYON .. .. 3	ALAN A. POTTS .. .. 7
FRANK OSBALDISTON .. .. 4	BASIL JONES .. .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

\* First peal in the method.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

WARWICK.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Thurs., June 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb. in F.

FRANK W. PERRENS .. Treble	ERNEST J. GOWER .. .. 5
*EDWARD HOLDSWORTH .. 2	L. MICHAEL CALLOW .. .. 6
MARYL R. CROSTHWAITE .. 3	PETER S. BENNETT .. .. 7
†RICHARD D. GIBSON .. .. 4	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

Composed by THOMAS B. WORSLEY. Conducted by PETER BORDER.

\* First peal of Major in the method. † First of Surprise Major.



## THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BELPER, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

*JOHN MORLEY .. .. Treble	FRANCIS R. LOWE .. .. 5
JOSEPH C. WOOLLEY .. .. 2	GORDON A. HALLS .. .. 6
EDMUND SHUTTLWORTH .. .. 3	DENNIS R. CARLISLE .. .. 7
WM. ARNOLD MORLEY .. .. 4	DAVID PARKIN .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by GORDON A. HALLS.

\* First peal.

Tenor 14½ cwt. in F sharp.

Rung for the birth of a son, Michael William, to Audrey and Arnold Morley.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

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

On Thurs., June 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Holt's Original.	Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in G.
*S. CLARKE WALTERS .. Treble	T. REGINALD DENNIS .. 5
*KENNETH J. DARVILL .. 2	*VIVIAN NUTTON .. .. 6
MARTIN PRESS .. .. 3	*CHRISTOPHER H. ROGERS .. 7
*R. MARK DAMERELL .. 4	*KEITH J. TRIPLOW .. .. Tenor

Conducted by S. CLARKE WALTERS.

\* First peal of Grandsire Triples. First on tower bells as conductor. First of Holt's Original by all the band, and on the bells.

A birthday compliment to Miss Hilary F. Slow.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

STRATTON ST. MARGARET, Wiltshire.—

At the Church of St. Margaret of Antioch.

On Fri., May 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 VERMONT SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9½ cwt.

MICHAEL J. STANLEY .. Treble	W. BERTRAM KYNASTON .. 5
GORDON W. LAND .. .. 2	BRIAN BLADON .. .. 6
GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. .. 3	ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. 7
D. JOHN HUNT .. .. 4	*VICTOR GRIFFIN .. .. Tenor

Composed by R. BALDWIN.

Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

\* 25th Surprise Major method to a peal. First in the method for the Association, on the bells, and by all the band.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

HALEWOOD, near Liverpool.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Tues., June 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb.

TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. Treble	JACK N. BROWN .. .. 5
JOHN R. LUNHAM .. .. 2	DENNIS R. JONES .. .. 6
TERENCE M. FITZGERALD .. 3	THOMAS W. HESKETH .. 7
HUBERT RICHARDSON .. 4	FRANK CURRIE .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by THOMAS W. HESKETH.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. W. J. Simmons, father of Mrs. P. Moffat, a ringer at this church.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

THURCASTON, Leicestershire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 10 cwt.
CHRISTINE J. HART .. Treble	J. RICHARD PERKINS .. .. 5
MARY C. POYNER .. .. 2	JULIAN MORLEY .. .. 6
HARRY POYNER .. .. 3	B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. .. 7
ROGER I. KENDRICK .. .. 4	FREDERICK T. BINDLEY .. Tenor

Conducted by B. STEDMAN PAYNE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

SUTTERTON, Lincs.—At the Church of St. Mary the Blessed Virgin.

On Mon., April 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 ILMINSTER SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt.

BRIAN HARRIS .. .. Treble	RAYMOND H. DAW .. .. 5
EDWIN T. CHAPMAN .. .. 2	GEORGE W. MASSEY .. .. 6
DENNIS WOODS .. .. 3	CYRIL R. BURRELL .. .. 7
ROGER D. BAILEY .. .. 4	RONALD C. NOON .. .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by RONALD C. NOON.

First peal in the method.

FULNEY, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Paul.

On Mon., May 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 OUNDLE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14½ cwt.

RONALD C. NOON .. Treble	EDWIN T. CHAPMAN .. .. 5
ROGER D. BAILEY .. .. 2	GEORGE W. MASSEY .. .. 6
DEREK J. JONES .. .. 3	RAYMOND H. DAW .. .. 7
DENIS WOODS .. .. 4	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. LAW JAMES.

Conducted by RONALD C. NOON.

First peal in the method.

## ILMINSTER SURPRISE MAJOR

x 34 x 14 x 58 x 16 x 34 x 38 x 16 x 78 2nd pl. L.E. 18674523.

## OUNDLE SURPRISE MAJOR

x 34 x 1458 x 56 x 36 x 14 x 1458 x 14 x 58 2nd pl. L.E. 4263857.

LINCOLN.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 ALDENHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

ANNE E. BATESON .. Treble	LOUIS WILLIERS .. .. 5
MARY C. POYNER .. .. 2	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. .. 6
NORAH M. RANGLES .. .. 3	JOHN WALDEN .. .. 7
HAROLD F. GIBSON .. .. 4	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN.

Conducted by GEOFFREY PAUL.

First peal in the method by all the band.

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 lb.

Rung for the wedding of Ruby I. Gurnhill and Geoffrey H. Scott.

EDENHAM, Lincs.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Mon., June 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 NORFOLK SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt.

*FRANK TAYLOR .. Treble	*ROGER D. BAILEY .. .. 5
*RAYMOND H. DAW .. .. 2	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. 6
*ALAN G. PAYNE .. .. 3	RONALD C. NOON .. .. 7
*DENIS WOODS .. .. 4	*GEORGE W. MASSEY .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by RONALD C. NOON.

\* First peal in the method.

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

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 ALDENHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. in A flat.

NORAH M. RANGLES .. Treble	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. 5
*JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. 2	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. 6
*ANNE E. BATESON .. .. 3	JOHN WALDEN .. .. 7
*JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. 4	*GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. Tenor

Composed by CHAS. J. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

\* First peal of Aldenham Surprise Major.

## THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

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

On Thurs., May 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14½ cwt. in F sharp.

RONALD N. MARLOW .. Treble	LEWIS F. COBB .. .. 5
DONALD G. CLIFT .. .. 2	FRANK L. HARRIS .. .. 6
REGINALD W. REX .. .. 3	ANN M. COX .. .. 7
JOHN OWEN .. .. 4	PHILIP N. TUBBS .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN.

Conducted by ANN M. COX.

First peal of Surprise Major as conductor.

EBBW VALE.—At the Church of Christ.

On Fri., May 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in D.

FRANK L. HARRIS .. Treble	R. ROGER SAVORY .. .. 5
REGINALD W. REX .. .. 2	RONALD N. MARLOW .. .. 6
ANN M. COX .. .. 3	LEWIS F. COBB .. .. 7
PHILIP N. TUBBS .. .. 4	EDWARD J. CHIVERS .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by FRANK L. HARRIS.

CAERLEON, Monmouthshire.—At the Church of St. Cadoc.

On Thurs., June 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 8½ cwt.
*JACQUELINE S. KING .. Treble	JACK JAMES .. .. 5
JOHN MANLEY .. .. 2	DAVID J. HUGHES .. .. 6
DAVID PIKE .. .. 3	*DAVID J. KING .. .. 7
WILLIAM E. THOMPSETT .. 4	*RICHARD W. OWEN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID J. KING.

\* 150th peal together. † First peal.

Rung in memoriam Mr. Percy H. Stafford, for 60 years a ringer at Caerleon.

## THE SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

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

REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. Treble	PETER WOOLLVEN .. .. 5
RAYMOND BENFIELD .. .. 2	DAN S. PONT .. .. 6
SIMON HUMPHREY .. .. 3	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. 7
D. PETER J. BRUCE .. .. 4	PETER HUMPHREY .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by RAYMOND BENFIELD.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Mon., June 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5392 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

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

Granta variation.	Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in B.
RAYMOND BENFIELD .. Treble	MICHAEL POPPLESTON .. 5
JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. 2	GEORGE DAWSON .. .. 6
REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. 3	B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. .. 7
D. PETER J. BRUCE .. .. 4	G. RONALD EDWARDS .. Tenor

Composed by REV. H. LAW JAMES.

Conducted by RAYMOND BENFIELD.



**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
DAVENTRY, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of the Holy Cross.  
*On Fri., May 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.*  
**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.  

BARRIE HENDRY .. .. Treble	*MALCOLM J. V. CHOWN .. 5
STEPHEN IVIN .. .. 2	*HUGH M. JOHNSON .. 6
PATRICK I. CHAPMAN .. 3	*DAVID J. ALLEN .. 7
*KENNETH D. PERKINS .. 4	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

 Composed by THOMAS B. WORSLEY. Conducted by PETER BORDER.  
\* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Major.

**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
SOBERTON, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.  
*On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5184 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**  
Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb. in G.  

*ANNE M. SMITH .. .. Treble	†PHILLIP STEVANS .. .. 5
PATRICIA J. LAYCOCK .. 2	‡BRYAN C. BURROUGH .. 6
LORNA E. SIMPSON .. .. 3	LEONARD J. NORTH .. 7
CLIVE W. SIMPSON .. .. 4	BERNARD E. MATTHEWS .. Tenor

 Composed by D. JOHN HUNT. Conducted by BERNARD E. MATTHEWS.  
\* First peal on eight bells. † First of Major 'inside.' ‡ 75th peal.  
In memoriam John E. Rootes, of Bushey.

**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**  
PERSHORE, Worcs.—At the Abbey Church of the Holy Cross.  
*On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 28 cwt. in D.  

IAN LLOYD .. .. Treble	PETER BRIDLE .. .. 5
GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. 2	D. JOHN HUNT .. .. 6
MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. 3	GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. 7
ARTHUR C. BERRY .. .. 4	GERALD C. HEMMING .. Tenor

 Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by GEOFFREY J. HEMMING.

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
BIRSTWITH, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Thomas.  
*On Thurs., May 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.*  
Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in G.  
**A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**  

MRS. H. B. SCHOFIELD .. Treble	S. BARRY SCHOFIELD .. 5
B. GILLIAN SCHOFIELD .. 2	BARRY SULLIVAN .. .. 6
A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. 3	HAROLD B. SCHOFIELD .. 7
ROGER J. LUMLEY .. .. 4	LEONARD GOODALL .. .. Tenor

 Composed by WILLIAM BARTON. Conducted by A. PETER WHITEHEAD.

BIRSTALL, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.  
*On Tues., June 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5152 BELGRAVE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
27-course block reduced. Tenor 22 cwt.  

PETER KIRKBY .. .. Treble	HAROLD B. SCHOFIELD .. 5
MRS. H. B. SCHOFIELD .. 2	BARRY SULLIVAN .. .. 6
ROGER J. LUMLEY .. .. 3	J. HENRY FIELDEN .. 7
LEONARD GOODALL .. .. 4	A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. Tenor

 Conducted by LEONARD GOODALL.

CONISBROUGH, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.  
*On Fri., June 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**  
Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb. in F sharp.  

DAVID NICHOLS .. .. Treble	STUART ARMESON .. .. 5
*SANDRA CROSSLEY .. .. 2	JOHN E. CHAPMAN .. .. 6
J. MARTIN THORLEY .. 3	MICHAEL R. MEADOWS .. 7
JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK .. 4	RICHARD E. PRICE .. .. Tenor

 Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by RICHARD E. PRICE.  
\* First peal in the method 'inside.'

PUDSEY, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Laurence.  
*On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5056 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 17 cwt.  

JOHN AMBLER .. .. Treble	WILLIAM BARTON .. .. 5
JEANNE BOTTOMLEY .. 2	J. HENRY FIELDEN .. 6
BARRY SULLIVAN .. .. 3	JOHN W. GIBSON .. .. 7
VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. 4	GORDON BENFIELD .. .. Tenor

 Composed by W. E. CRITCHLEY. Conducted by GORDON BENFIELD.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
SOMERTON, Som.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.  
*On Wed., May 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**  
Being different extents. Tenor 19½ cwt.  

AUDREY M. SHORT .. Treble	RONALD D. SHORT .. .. 4
GILBERT W. RENDELL .. 2	H. E. GEORGE JEANES .. 5
REV. C. J. B. MARSHALL .. 3	WILLIAM E. TURNER .. Tenor

 Conducted by WILLIAM E. TURNER.  
For Mr. and Mrs. H. E. G. Jeanes' silver wedding.

**THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
SILSOE, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. James-the-Great.  
*On Mon., May 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**  
In seven methods, being extents of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., College Exercise, Woodbine T.B., St. Clement's, Single Oxford, Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb.  

*MISS M. PICKERING .. Treble	*S. WOOLER .. .. 4
†MISS M. PETTITT .. .. 2	†R. FRENCH .. .. 5
*MISS S. LAW .. .. 3	*R. LAW .. .. Tenor

 Conducted by R. LAW.  
\* First peal. † First in seven methods.  
Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. J. Law.

**THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
NEWBOLD-ON-AVON, Warwicks.—At the Church of St. Botolph.  
*On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**  
Being five 240's and 32 extents (ten callings). Tenor 12 cwt. in F sharp.  

*JULIAN G. EDGSON .. Treble	WILLIAM C. BUDD .. 4
JOAN M. CHENEY .. .. 2	AUBREY G. EVELEIGH .. 5
PHILIP M. EDGSON .. .. 3	ALLEN J. BELLAMY .. Tenor

 Conducted by AUBREY G. EVELEIGH.  
\* First peal attempt (aged 15). † First 'inside.'  
Rung by an entirely Newbold band as a welcome to the Rev. M. K. Tailby as Curate.

**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
WHITNEY-ON-WYE, Herefords.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**  
In 21 methods, being two extents each of St. George, All Saints, Rushall, Marchington, Northrepps, Rev. St. Bartholomew, Fortune, Grandsire, Newborough, Besthorpe, Old, Seighford, April Day, Kennington, Plain Bob, Costessy, St. Columb, Little Aston, Clifford's Pleasure, Rev. Canterbury, Southrepps. Tenor 9 cwt.  

MARGARET J. HOPE .. Treble	W. JOHN CLAYTON .. 3
*ROBIN L. HUGHES .. .. 2	JOHN W. HOPE .. .. 4

 COLIN A. LEWIS .. .. Tenor  
Conducted by JOHN W. HOPE.  
\* First peal in 21 methods. Mr. C. A. Lewis has now 'completed the circle' to peals.

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
ACCRINGTON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. James.  
*On Sun., April 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**  
Being seven extents. Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb.  

JUDITH P. WINTERBOTTOM Treble	RICHARD S. STARKIE .. 4
ANTHONY J. HELLWELL .. 2	J. BARRY PICKUP .. 5
ROBERT J. ARMSTRONG .. 3	RICHARD J. PARKES .. Tenor

 Conducted by RICHARD J. PARKES.

ULVERSTON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
*On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**  
Being seven different extents. Tenor 13 cwt.  

NICHOLAS M. NEWBY .. Treble	JAMES BLACKBURN .. 4
JAMES E. DICKINSON .. 2	*ALAN CAPSTICK .. 5
NICHOLAS M. NEWBY, JUN. 3	THOMAS F. METCALFE .. Tenor

 Conducted by NICHOLAS M. NEWBY.  
\* 125th peal.  
Rung for the 15th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. A. Capstick.

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.  
*On Fri., May 29, 1964, in 1 Hour and 51 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 OLD BOB DOUBLES**  
Being 42 extents, with three variations of calling.  

REV. MALCOLM MELVILLE Treble	N. RODERICK ELLWAY .. 4
DAN S. PONT .. .. 2	MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. 5
MICHAEL W. BROWN .. 3	*RONALD D. HUGHES .. Tenor

 Conducted by MICHAEL W. BROWN.  
\* First peal.  
Tenor 2 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb.

WOODHOUSE EAVES, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Paul.  
*On Mon., June 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**  
Being seven extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 18 lb.  

MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. Treble	GARRY W. MASON .. 4
N. RODERICK ELLWAY .. 2	DAN S. PONT .. .. 5
*MICHAEL HARRAD .. 3	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. Tenor

 Conducted by DAN S. PONT.  
\* First peal 'inside.'  
Rung as a 20th birthday compliment to Maurice Kirk.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
EDGWARE, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. Margaret.  
*On Tues., June 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**  
In four methods, being one extent of St. Clement's and Cambridge Surprise, two Kent Treble Bob and three Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. in A.  

BRYAN C. BURROUGH .. Treble	CLIVE W. SIMPSON .. 4
ANN P. ROBINSON .. .. 2	LEONARD J. NORTH .. 5
LORNA E. SIMPSON .. .. 3	BERNARD E. MATTHEWS .. Tenor

 Conducted by BERNARD E. MATTHEWS.



## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

LONG SUTTON, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., May 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being extents of London, Norfolk, Ipswich, Primrose, Cambridge, Beverley, Surfleet. Tenor 15 cwt.

DENIS WOODS	Treble	ROGER D. BAILEY	4
GEORGE W. MASSEY	2	*BRIAN HARRIS	5
RAYMOND H. DAW	3	RONALD C. NOON	Tenor

Conducted by RONALD C. NOON.

\* First peal of seven Surprise on an 'inside' bell.

In honour of the 90th birthday of Mr. John B. Halifax, of Fleet, a founder member of the Guild; also a compliment to Keith and Jeanne Holmes, of Horncastle, who were married on May 23rd.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

MARSTON, Oxford.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Fri., May 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 22 methods/variations: One each of Winchendon, St. Miles, St. Luke, St. George, St. John, Ryton, St. Crispin, St. Nicholas, St. Giles, St. Thomas, St. Silvester, St. Andrew, Shreshill, St. Mary, St. Martin, St. Paul, St. Peter, Rev. Canterbury, Plain Bob, Old, All Saints and 21 of Grandsire. Tenor 5 cwt, in C.

GORDON L. BELCHER	Treble	ROY H. JONES	3
F. MARILYN BIRD	2	NOEL D. DEAM	4
ALEC GAMMON	Tenor		

Conducted by NOEL D. DEAM.

Rung for Commonwealth Day.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

ROTHERSTHORPE, Northants.—Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 42 methods, being extents of St. Alphage, St. Andrew, St. Gregory, Rev. New, Rev. Huntspill, Rev. St. Vedast, Rev. St. Nicholas, Rev. Winchendon Place, Rev. St. Remigius, Rev. St. Simon, Rev. St. Martin, Rev. St. Osmund, Rev. Plain Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Rev. Shipway's Place, St. Bartholomew, Rev. All Saints, St. Sebastian, Uffington, Stowe Place, Datchet, Stedman Slow Course, Coxwell Place, St. Botolph, Union, St. Faith Slow Course, St. Julian, Westminster II, Blackburn Place, St. Hilary, New, Huntspill, St. Vedast, St. Nicholas, Winchendon Place, St. Remigius, St. Simon, St. Martin, St. Osmund, Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Shipway's Place.

RONALD RUSSELL	Treble	ROGER W. SMITH	3
GEORGE F. ROOME	2	GRAHAM C. PAUL	4
ALAN A. PAUL	Tenor		

Conducted by GRAHAM C. PAUL.

Most methods rung in a peal on the bells. The conductor has now 'circled the tower.' Tenor 11 cwt, 3 qr, 14 lb, in G.

Rung to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the rededication of the bells after recasting and augmenting from four to five.

## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

SHREWTON, Wiltshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., May 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In four methods, being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise; Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.

*ANNE M. SMITH	Treble	PHILLIP STEVANS	4
CLIVE W. SIMPSON	2	BERNARD E. MATTHEWS	5
PATRICIA J. LAYCOCK	3	BRYAN C. BURROUGH	Tenor

\* First peal. Conducted by BRYAN C. BURROUGH.

EAST KENNETT, Wiltshire.—At Christ Church.

On Sun., June 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 4 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Consisting of 1,440 of Grandsire, 840 each of Rev. Canterbury and Plain Bob, 480 each of St. Nicholas, Winchendon, St. Simon's and St. Martin's. Tenor 4 cwt, 2 qr, 18 lb, in C.

A. PATRICK CANNON	Treble	ANTHONY R. PEAKE	3
BRIAN BLADON	2	GORDON W. LAND	4
GEOFFREY K. DODD	Tenor		

Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.

First peal on the bells.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

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

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 9 cwt, 1 qr, 18 lb, in A flat.

ALBERT FOSTER	Treble	GEORGE A. DAWSON	4
F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER	2	JOHN R. PRATCHETT	5
MARGARET E. CHILTON	3	*W. NEVILLE BROWN	Tenor

Conducted by W. NEVILLE BROWN.

\* 25th peal for the Guild. First attempt as conductor.

DAYBROOK, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Paul.

On Tues., April 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being four extents of Plain Bob and three of Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor 10 cwt, 1 qr, 8 lb, in G.

GEORGE A. DAWSON	Treble	SYDNEY FOSKETT	4
*JULIE E. LETHBRIDGE	2	RICHARD A. G. INGLIS	5
ELIZABETH SMITH	3	ROBIN H. ROGERS	Tenor

Conducted by ROBIN H. ROGERS.

\* First peal of Minor. First of Minor as conductor.

Rung after meeting short for Major.

BARTON-IN-FABIS, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. George.

On Wed., April 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in 39 methods, viz.: One each of Grandsire, Newborough, Norfolk, Fortune, Rev. St. Bartholomew, Northrepps, Marchington, Rushall, All Saints, St. Miles, Winchendon Place, St. Luke, St. John, Ryton, St. Giles, St. Nicholas, St. Thomas, St. Andrew, Shreshill, St. Martin, St. Paul, St. Peter, St. Leonard, Austrey, St. Simon's, St. Albans, Cassington, Eynsham, Elford, Southrepps, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Columb, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, Plain Bob, Kennington, Old, April Day, Seighford, and three extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt, 21 lb, in G.

RUTH BLACKSHAW	Treble	MAURICE W. HARRISON	4
ROBIN H. ROGERS	2	GEORGE A. DAWSON	5
RICHARD C. L. BROWN	3	RICHARD A. G. INGLIS	Tenor

Conducted by ROBIN H. ROGERS.

First peal in 39 methods by all the hand.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

At 39, Titian Avenue, Bushey Heath Hertfordshire.

On Tues., May 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 16 methods, comprising 320 each of Bristol, Cambridge, Ealing, Eastcott, Elford, Leatherhead, Lincolnshire, Lindum, London, Pudsey, Rutland, Superlative, Uxbridge, Watford, Wembley and Yorkshire; with 134 changes of method. Tenor size 15 in C.

S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN	1—2	JOHN R. MAYNE	5—6
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY	3—4	ROGER BALDWIN	7—8

Composed and Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

BARROW-UPON SOAR, Leics.—At the Humphrey Perkins School.

On Fri., April 24, 1964, in 1 Hour and 35 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.

DAN S. PONT	1—2	B. STEDMAN PAYNE	3—4
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REV. MALCOLM C. C. MELVILLE 5—6

Non-conducted.

LEICESTER.—At The Wayside, 150, Narborough Road South.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

On Tues., June 2, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes.

Tenor size 15 in C.

JOHN A. ACRES	1—2	JOHN M. JELLEY	5—6
PETER J. STANFORTH	3—4	ALFRED BALLARD	7—8

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by ALFRED BALLARD.

First peal of Surprise as conductor on handbells.

LEICESTER.—At The Wayside, 150, Narborough Road South.

On Sun., June 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor size 15 in C.

*JOHN A. ACRES	1—2	JOHN M. JELLEY	5—6
PETER J. STANFORTH	3—4	ROBERT B. SMITH	7—8

ALFRED BALLARD 9—10

Composed by W. PYE. Conducted by PETER J. STANFORTH.

\* 800th peal.

## THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

CAMBRIDGE.—At M7, Whewells Court, Trinity College.

On Fri., June 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor size 16 in B.

S. C. WALTERS (Pembroke)	1—2	A. S. HUDSON (Clare)	7—8
B. D. THRELFALL (Trinity)	3—4	V. NUTTON (Selwyn)	9—10
J. M. H. HUNTER (Trinity)	5—6	C. H. ROGERS (Emma)	11—12

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by A. S. HUDSON.

First peal of Stedman Cinques 'in hand' by all the band, and for the Guild.

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## LONG LENGTH

**TICKENHAM, SOMERSET.**—On May 23rd, 4,320 Minor (two extents Cambridge, Kent and Plain Bob): L. R. G. Taylor 1, A. Tubb 2, D. A. Burt 3, D. J. Barnett 4, G. J. Hawkins 5, A. F. Lee (cond.) 6. Longest length on the bells.

**ALFORD, Lincs.**—On June 4th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): D. Carter 1, Miss B. Willoughby 2, D. Maitly 3, S. H. Sutton 4, J. I. Smith (cond.) 5, C. Wilkins 6. Rung prior to a presentation to Mr. F. Graves following his retirement after 67 years as organist at Alford Parish Church.

**BALTONSBOROUGH, SOMERSET.**—On June 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Chivers 1, C. Wenley 2, W. H. Marsh 3, H. J. Atwell 4, F. Paramore (cond.) 5, E. Higdon 6. Rung half-muffled for W. C. Rawles, interred this day.

**BARNESLEY, YORKS.**—On May 30th, 1,320 T.B. Minor (Kent and Earlsheaton, London Scholars, Sandal, Kingston and Oxford): W. Carbutt 1, J. Crossland and C. Moxon 2, P. Carbutt 3, E. St. Innd 4, N. F. Moxon (cond.) 5, H. Mann 6. Rung on the eve of Mayor's Sunday.

**BARWELL, LEICESTER.**—On May 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Pickering 1, C. J. Lucas 2, T. K. Deacon 3, R. Lord 4, R. J. Colver 5, A. A. Lucas 6, A. H. Hough (cond.) 7, H. Engard 8. A wedding compliment to Richard Tiley and Nancy Hungerford in Toronto, Canada, and Michael Harry Lockley and Kay Lynley Osterstock, in Adelaide, Australia. Also as a 21st birthday compliment to Claire Orton, a ringer at this church.

**BATTISSEA, LONDON.**—At the Church of St. Mary on June 5th, 1,280 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob): J. Harvey 1, R. J. Cooles 2, Margaret E. Fort 3, A. E. Clayton 4, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 5, F. A. Benn (first quarter attempt) 6. For the Founder's Day of Sir Walter St. John's School.

**BEAMINSTER, DORSET.**—On June 9th, 1,250 Grandsire Triples: E. A. Pannell 1, Edna G. Pannell 2, Mrs. C. W. Powell 3, H. Kelley 4, C. W. Powell 5, Frank Knight 6, G. Stedman Morris (cond.) 7, A. Knight 8. Rung on the golden wedding day of Mr. and Mrs. F. Forsey, by a representative band of West Dorset ringers.

**BRIDGEFULE, DEVON.**—On June 5th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: D. R. Bould 1, H. Stacey 2, Mrs. E. M. Hicks 3, E. Nunn 4, H. Heard 5, Mrs. M. A. Boud 6, J. W. Sangwin 7, F. H. Hicks (cond.) 8. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. M. R. Bould.

**BURNLEY, LANCs.**—At St. Peter's Church, 1,260 Minor (St. Clement's, Plain Bob): Bernice Stansfield 1, Judith P. Winter 2, Mary Smith 3, N. Marger on (first quarter): 4, R. J. Parkes (cond.) 5, N. Smith 6, R. Armstrong cover. Rung during annual parish walk.

**CAVERSFIELD, OXON.**—On May 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Kate D. Elmore (Alabama, U.S.A., first quarter) 1, F. Sharpe (cond.) 2, C. H. Kinch 3, E. J. Evans 4, G. Jones 5.

**CHALFONT ST. PETER, BUCKS.**—On June 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. G. Swift (cond.) 1, Mrs. Ann Collins 2, Francis Pector 3, M. S. E. G. Swift 4, R. Snack 5, S. Lily 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam F. T. Bolton, late ringer and captain of this church.

**CHESTER-LE-STREET, CO. DURHAM.**—On May 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss R. Catlin (first quarter) 1, Miss M. A. P. Bortie 2, I. Wintrip 3, J. W. Robson 4, W. Nicholson 5, C. Mordue 6, D. A. Bayles (cond.) 7, J. Close 8. Rung half-muffled on the evening of the funeral of Frederick Sheraton, associated with the bells for over 70 years.

**CLAPHAM PARK, LONDON.**—On June 7th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. Smith 1, R. Carr 2, B. Bull 3, A. Clayton 4, M. Uphill 5, A. Bazworth 6, R. Stephens (cond.) 7, T. Lewis 8. A.M.D.G.

**COWFOLD, SUSSEX.**—On May 17th, 1,260 Kent T.B. Minor: Jennifer Goldsmith (first quarter) 1, E. Rapley (cond.) 2, E. Fosberry 3, G. Rix 4, C. Lonzhurst 5, P. Verrall 6.

**DEENE, NORTHANTS.**—On May 27th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Miss S. Owens 1, J. W. Lyons 2, F. A. Gans 3, R. Russell 4, R. A. Webster (cond.) 5, M. Cunningham 6. Rung by Weldon St. Mary's Sunday service band.

**DERBY.**—At St. Alkmund's Church on June 7th, 1,260 Minor (Kent T.B. and Plain Bob): D. Fox 1, J. Morley 2, A. Nicholson 3, C. Moncrieff 4, J. Dark 5, W. A. Morley (cond.) 6. Rung by the Belles band for Evensong.

**DERBY.**—At the Church of St. Peter, on May 31st, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: S. Fraser 1, A. Mould 2, K. Betesta 3, Miss R. M. Bull (first as cond.) 4, J. Bailey 5, J. Whiting 6, R. Wallis 7, W. Allsopp 8.

## QUARTER PEALS

**DORCHESTER, OXON.**—On May 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: B. Henson (first quarter) 1, Margaret Thewles 2, Barbara Butler 3, F. Absolom 4, Helen Howes 5, D. Pimm (first of Triples) 6, A. Howes (cond.) 7, D. Exon 8.

**DOWNHAM, ESSEX.**—On May 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. Griffiths (first quarter) 1, Miss J. Foster 2, Mrs. D. B. Belcham 3, H. J. Olivier 4, D. E. Belcham 5, M. J. Hallett (cond.) 6.

**DUNSTER, SOMERSET.**—On June 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. H. W. Lloyd 1, Mrs. P. R. Tudball 2, J. Tudball 3, P. R. Tudball 4, G. Maidment 5, H. W. Lloyd (cond.) 6, A. R. Tudball 7, G. Frost 8. For Evensong.

**EWELL, SURREY.**—On May 24th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: M. Morris 1, P. J. Munday 2, D. A. Carpenter 3, Margaret Howard 4, C. W. Munday 5, D. G. Spittle 6, J. E. Beams 7, R. C. Spittle (cond.) 8. For the ordination this day in South-west Cathedral of Paul Richard Simmonds, chorister, Sunday School teacher and server.

**FARMBOROUGH, SOMERSET.**—On May 27th, 1,260 Doubles (two methods): K. Baker 1, Rosemary Smith 2, R. Sirith (cond.) 3, A. Perry 4, M. Hyman 5, J. Coombs 6. To welcome the birth of David to Peggy and John Fray.

**FULHAM, LONDON.**—At All Saints' on May 3rd, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: J. E. Reed 1, Mrs. G. G. Meyer 2, Miss D. A. Deverell 3, Miss M. E. Powell 4, M. T. Sprackling 5, L. C. Way 6, M. J. Uphill 7, W. G. Wilson 8, C. M. Meyer (cond.) 9, J. A. G. Harvey 10. For Evensong.

**GREAT BROMLEY, ESSEX.**—On May 29th, 1,200 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss M. Gould 1, Miss J. Munson 2, A. W. Cole 3, Miss S. Wenden 4, J. H. Gould (cond.) 5, C. A. Wenden 6. First of Doubles 1 and 2. A 21st birthday compliment to ringer of 4.

**GUILDFORD, SURREY.**—At Holy Trinity Church on June 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: T. W. White 1, Carolyn White 2, Pamela R. Gough 3, H. A. May 4, W. A. Savill 5, E. R. Warner 6, D. J. Tubbs (cond.) 7, C. A. Hopper 8. For the 40th anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Warner, with best wishes from the band.

**HARTEST, SUFFOLK.**—On April 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Garwood 1, L. Wright 2, R. Rose 3, F. Payne 4, H. Clarke 5, M. Rose (cond.) 6. Rang as a compliment to Mr. G. Garwood.

**HUTTON, ESSEX.**—On June 6th, 1,260 All Saints' Doubles (eight callings): P. Friend 1, C. E. Hill 2, J. J. Waller (cond.) 3, W. T. Hill 4, R. G. Jones 5. For the wedding of Miss Anne Hayward and Mr. Eddy Mowl.

**IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.**—At St. Matthew's Church on June 9th, 1,250 Plain Bob Minor: Sheila Hancock (first quarter) 1, Margaret Newby 2, G. Leach 3, P. Harris 4, R. Kersey 5, C. Aldous (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Edward J. V. Robinson, churchwarden for 15 years, died June 4th.

**ISLEWORTH, MIDDx.**—On May 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Carol Pacey (first quarter) 1, M. Thomas (first in method 'inside') 2, Patricia Rogers 3, Mrs. K. Parr 4, June Creak 5, P. N. Felton 6, H. W. Rogers (cond.) 7, H. Blagden 8. Also on June 6th, 1,350 Erin Caters: A. C. Knights 1, Mrs. J. Dodds 2, Miss J. Geiringer 3, Miss P. Rogers 4, M. P. Thomas 5, M. Uphill 6, G. Dodds 7, K. Newman 8, H. W. Rogers (cond.) 9, A. M. Johnson 10. First in method for 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8. Also on June 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: N. F. Felton 1, June Creak 2, Patricia Rogers 3, Mrs. K. Parr 4, M. P. Thomas 5, P. N. Felton (cond.) 6, H. W. Rogers 7. For Evensong.

**IXWORTH, SUFFOLK.**—On June 6th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: H. King 1, M. Rose 2, R. Rose 3, L. Wright 4, E. Bishop 5, K. Brown (cond.) 6. For the wedding of Miss Gloria Dawn Stannard and Mr. Dennis O. Cole.

**KINGSTON-UPON-THAMES, SURREY.**—On June 7th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Royal: Ruth Carr 1, Rosamund Rawlings 2, Caroline V. Carpenter 3, Deborah Hopkins 4, Judith M. Geiringer 5, Susan J. Newman 6, D. M. Wilkins 7, W. H. Jackson (cond.) 8, K. Newman 9, A. Bishop 10. First of Surprise Royal 2 and 3.

**LAUNTON, OXON.**—On June 4th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Bob and Plain Bob): A. P. Lewis (first quarter, age 12) 1, F. Sharpe 2, B. C. Corgin 3, E. J. Evans 4, C. H. Kirch (cond.) 5, B. A. Lewis (first quarter, age 14) 6. Rung for 1 and 6, who are leaving Bicester shortly.

**LINCOLN.**—At the Cathedral on June 3rd, 1,262 Cambridge Surprise Royal: J. L. Millhouse (cond.) 1, Miss J. M. Gurnhill 2, S. A. Chambers 3, H. L. Pask 4, L. Willders 5, W. Tomlinson 6, G. H. Randes 7, J. Walder 8, G. Paul 9, R. F. Smith 10. Rung for the anniversary of H.M. Queen's coronation.

**LONDON.**—At Southwark Cathedral on June 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. E. Reed 1, Gerda Barasel 2, L. C. Way 3, N. R. Waite 4, A. G. Tyers 5, R. W. Powell 6, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 7, J. E. Price 8. Rung for Evensong on the back eight.

**LONDON, STAFFS.**—On May 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. W. Bowen 1, C. M. Smith (cond.) 2, C. T. Collins (first in method 'inside') 3, Lucy Smith 4, L. Monk 5. For Evensong.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On June 7th, 1,272 Minimus: A. Neilson 1, Myrtle Cook 2, Elizabeth Todd 3, R. P. Brotheron 4, R. Harman 5. For Evensong.

**NORTHMOOR, OXON.**—On June 11, 1,261 Grandsire Doubles: F. Trinder 1, B. Cstair 2, N. Leslie 3, V. Clifton 4, D. Leslie (cond.) 5, P. Trinder 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mr. Charles Bowsh, interred this day.

**OLD WOLVERTON, BUCKS.**—On June 2nd, 1,260 Doubles: R. A. Vickers 1, G. Orchard 2, W. A. Yates 3, F. Pateman 4, G. W. Holland (cond.) 5.

**PRESTON, RUTLAND.**—On May 31st, 1,250 Grandsire Doubles: Miss E. A. Sadler 1, A. Naylor 2, F. D. Mitchell 3, E. N. N. Beedham 4, J. C. Hudson (cond.) 5, R. Sparrow (first quarter) 6. Rung after the dedication of the new treble bell.

**PUTNEY, LONDON.**—On May 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Gerda Barasel 1, A. R. Millidge 2, J. E. Dennis (first of Grandsire Triples) 3, R. J. Cooles 4, C. F. Mew 5, B. H. Coatsworth 6, D. C. Brookes 7, J. E. Price 8. Jointly conducted by the ringers of 2, 5 and 7.

**ROWLEY REGIS, STAFFS.**—On April 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Coley 1, K. Chatwin 2, A. Roberts 3, C. R. Tandy (cond.) 4, D. Chiswell 5, G. Chiswell 6. A 21st birthday compliment to Miss Jean Chiswell, a ringer at this church.

**SHENSTONE, STAFFS.**—On May 31st, 1,261 Grandsire Doubles: C. T. Collins 1, Lucy Smith (cond.) 2, L. Monk 3, C. W. Bowen (first in method 'inside') 4, C. M. Smith 5. Rung immediately after Evensong. Also on June 7th, 1,260 Doubles (240 Southrepps, 240 April Day, 540 Plain Bob, 240 Grandsire): Audrey F. Birch 1, E. Can 2, Lucy Smith 3, C. M. Smith (cond.) 4, D. R. Starkey 5. First in more than one variation 1, 2 and 5. For Evensong.

**STOGUMBER, SOMERSET.**—On May 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Double: R. A. Ford 1, J. J. Ford 2, R. Penay 3, R. Somerfield 4, E. J. Ford (cond.) 5, W. Webber 6. To celebrate the 21st birthday of Raymond Ford.

**TEWKESBURY, GLOS.**—At the Abbey Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin on May 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Robertson 1, Anne Broxton 2, Nadine Price 3, A. Halling 4, M. Hawkes 5, J. Attwood, Jr. 6, E. Penn (cond.) 7, M. Baskett 8. First of Triples 1 and 8. For Evensong.

**TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.**—On May 31st, 1,260 Doubles (five methods, 7, 6, 8 covering): Mrs. J. Lee 1, J. J. Jefferies 2, D. A. Burt 3, J. R. Hobby 4, A. F. Lee (cond.) 5, I. Cox (first quarter) 6, T. J. Miskom 7, P. R. Young 8. To celebrate the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. F. Keeling.

**WANDSWORTH, LONDON.**—At the Church of All Saints' on June 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Jean Egerton (first on eight bells) 1, N. F. Edwards 2, Margaret E. Fort 3, Wendy Griffin (first of Triples) 4, J. E. Reed 5, R. C. Stevens 6, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 7, R. G. Twyman 8. For the institution and induction of the Rev. Ian K. W. Savie, M.A., as Vicar.

**WHIMPLE, DEVON.**—On June 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Ann Giles (first quarter) 1, Pat Pavey (first 'inside') 2, W. Harvey 3, P. Pavey (first 'inside') 4, K. Wannell (cond.) 5, E. Giffis 6.

**WIMBLEDON.**—On May 17th, 1,280 London Surprise Major: G. Reynolds 1, Judith Geiringer 2, Rosamund Rawlings 3, Susan Newman 4, Vanessa Rodrigues 5, Deborah Hopkins 6, M. Bingham 7, K. Newman (cond.) 8. Also on May 23rd, 720 Double Oxford Minor, 540 Plain Bob Minor: Marian Balkwill 1, Judith Geiringer 2, Vanessa Rodrigues 3, G. Reynolds 4, A. Bazworth 5, A. Bishop (cond.) 6. Also on May 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Elizabeth Zass 1, Vanessa Rodrigues 2, Judith Geiringer 3, Rosamund Rawlings 4, Alan Bazworth 5, M. Bingham (cond.) 6, G. Reynolds 7, W. Cooper-Bailey (first quarter) 8.

**WITHYHAM, SUSSEX.**—On May 23rd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: T. Lewis 1, D. P. Smith 2, R. Davies 3, K. Taber 4, D. Cox 5, B. Jeffrey 6, J. W. Smith (cond.) 7, R. J. Talbot 8.



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### MEETINGS

DEVON GUILD.—Annual Festival, Exeter, June 20th. Service, St. Mark's, 4 p.m., preacher the Bishop of Plymouth. Tea and meeting St. Mark's Hall. Numbers for tea to Mr. C. Densham, 27, Monkswell Road, Exeter. Ringing Cathedral 1.30-3, and 6-8. Heavitree 2-3.30. St. Mark's 3-4, St. Petrock 6-7, St. Thomas 7-8. Cox memorial dedicated by the Dean. 2.30. 4797

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting, Hilgay, Saturday, June 20th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—I. Fox, Dis. Sec. 4856

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guildford District.—Meeting, Saturday, June 20th. Ringing at Albury 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Ringing afterwards at Shere. (No ringing 7-7.15.) Names for tea to Mr. H. Arthur, Cambria, Peaslake, near Guildford. 4794

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—North Myms, June 20th. Bells (8) 3.15 p.m. Service 4.45 p.m. Tea following. Names, please, to Mrs. T. J. Lock, 57, Holloway's Lane, North Myms, Hatfield, Herts. S.M.; Glasgow.—M. A. Coburn, Dis. Sec. 4820

### BACK NUMBERS

'The Ringing World' has received a very generous gift of back numbers dating from 1919 to 1959. While some are brown with the passing of years, the majority are clean and serviceable. We propose to offer these to readers who want to complete their files. The charge will be 8d. per copy post free.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Bacup, on Saturday, June 20th. Tower open for ringing at 3 p.m. Cups of tea at 5 p.m. (No business. Please note change of tower.) Members and non-members cordially invited.—R. Holt, Branch Sec. 4876

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practice on June 20th at All Hallows', Twickenham. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30, followed by tea. Ringing in evening at Feltham, to finish at 7.30 p.m. All towers, please pay up 1964 subscriptions.—F. T. B. 4872

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Reading Branch.—Summer meeting, June 20th at Mapledurham. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Numbers for tea to Rev. E. B. Wood, The Vicarage, Mapledurham, Reading. 4848

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD (Thrapston Branch) and ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION (Hunts District).—Joint meeting at Leighton Bromswold, Saturday, June 20th. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Titchmarsh (8) available after tea.—F. Coles and M. J. Dyer, Dis. Secs. 4832

### SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS & SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD (North Notts District).

Joint meeting at Warsop (Cuckney also available) on Sat., June 20th, at 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. H. Rooke, 9, Yorke Terrace, Warsop. No name no tea, so do send in on time. —P. Nix, H. Denman, Secs. 4845

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.—Quarterly meeting at Hurstpierspoint (8), Saturday, June 20th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Evening ringing until 7.45 p.m. Handbells afterwards. Name, for tea, please, to J. R. Norris, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierspoint.

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—Meeting at Kidderminster, 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 20th. Service 4.15. Tea and business. Names for tea, please, to Bernard C. Ashford, Sec., 17, Ham Lane, Pedmore, Stourbridge, Worcs.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Annual meeting, Saturday, June 20th, at Collingham. Bells available 3 p.m. No tea arrangements. District Committee will meet at 4.15 p.m. and the election of officers at 6.30 p.m. Reports will be available. Practice methods: St. Clement's C.B.M. and Belgrave S.M.—R. J. Lumley, Hon. Dis. Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Chippenhams Branch.—Evening meeting Colerne, Wednesday, June 24th. Bells 6.45 to 9 p.m. Come and ring at one of the noblest towers in Wiltshire. 4875

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Axbridge Branch.—Practice meeting at Loxton (6), Saturday, June 27th, 5 p.m.—M. Legg, Hon. Branch Sec. 4867

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bath Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, June 27th, at Freshford. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 (preacher, the Archdeacon of Bath). Tea and meeting to follow. Wellow (6) available after tea. Names for tea, please, by June 24th to Rev. F. Pollard, The Rectory, Freshford, near Bath.—Alan F. Lee, Branch Sec.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—Meeting Saturday, June 27th, Eaton Bray. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, not later than 25th, to Mr. C. Brown, 1, The Camp, Eaton Bray, near Dunstable, Beds. Studham bells after tea. 4878

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Crewe Branch.—Tarporely, June 27th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by June 24th.—W. Kerr, 107, Moreton Road, Crewe. 4874

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wirral Branch.—Biston, June 27th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea provided free for those notifying by Thursday previous.—Alexander J. Martin, 28, Glenmore Road, Oxtan, Birkenhead. 4877

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Misson, Saturday, June 27th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m. Names by previous Thursday at latest to Mr. C. Warden, Belmont House, Station Road, Misson. 4863

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Rural Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, June 27th. Tytherington. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Tea for those who order only from Mr. R. Williams, Brook Farm, Tytherington, near Bristol. 4814

LADIES' GUILD.—Eastern District.—Meeting at Kirby-le-Soken (8) on Saturday, June 27th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Also Great Holland (8) 6.30-7.30 and Thorpe-le-Soken (6) 7.30-8.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. U. Wildney, Laurel Cottage, Kirby-le-Soken, Essex.—A. E. J. Lester, Dis. Sec. 4838

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Next meeting, Batley, Saturday, June 27th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea for those who notify by previous Thursday, Mrs. R. Pygott, 8, Denby View, Thornhill, Dewsbury. 4871

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—The annual festival will be held in Oxford on Saturday, June 27th, 9.45 a.m. Corporate Communion; 11 a.m. Festival Service at Christ Church Cathedral; 12 noon annual meeting in the Chapter House; 1.30 p.m. luncheon in the Dining Hall. Ringing arrangements as on agenda. Luncheon tickets (7s. each) from Mr. A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Church Lane, Wexham, Slough, Bucks. Names, together with remittance, by Tuesday, June 23rd.—Marie R. Cross, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4541

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northampton Branch.—Meeting at Roade, Saturday, June 27th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to Mr. A. Cozens, 28, Hyde Road, Roade. 4839

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Rutland Branch.—Joint meeting, Rutland and Melton Branches at Whissendine (6 bells), Saturday, June 27th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea at Three Horse Shoes 5 p.m. Names for tea to W. C. A. Clark, Middle Street, Wing, by Tuesday previous. 4841

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Towcester Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Blakesley on Saturday, June 27th. Names for tea by Monday previous to W. A. Yates, 4, Bannerlands, Dadford, Buckingham. 4823

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2-5 Moulton (6);

2.30-4.30, Whaplode (6), Holbeach (8),

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3.30-5, Gedney (6), Long Sutton (8),

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**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Salisbury Branch.—Practice meeting, June 27th. Britford. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names by Tuesday, 23rd, to G. A. Trimby, 24, West Street, Wilton. 4862

**SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Monthly meeting, Hemingbrough, Saturday, June 27th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Please provide own food, cups of tea only available.—L. M. Woodhead, Hon. Sec. 4868

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Newark District.—Meeting at Harby, Saturday, June 27th. (Please note date.) Bells 3 o'clock. Cups of tea provided in Harby Vicarage at 5 p.m. South Scarle bells available in the evening.—B. N. Reed. 4866

**SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—Practice meeting at Ripe (5) and Laughton (6) on June 27th. Ringing: Ripe 3 till 4.30, Laughton 6.15 till 8 p.m. Service (Ripe) 4.30. Tea (Chalvington) 5.15 p.m. Names for tea, please, to I. Smith, Sec., 37, Wellington Gardens, Battle. 4828

### Notice of Meeting WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD

The annual general meeting will be held on Saturday, June 27th, at Basingstoke. Meeting 2.30 p.m. in St. Michael's Church Cottage. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Chesterman, Leacroft, Sherborne St. John, Basingstoke, by June 23rd, at latest. Ringing arrangements:

Route 1.—Whitchurch, 9.15—10 a.m.; Overton 9.45—10.30 a.m.; Deane 10.15—11 a.m.; Oakley 11—11.45 a.m.; Wootton St. Lawrence, 11.30 a.m.—12.15 p.m.; Basingstoke (All Saints), 9, 12.15—1 p.m.

Route 2.—Kingsclere, 9.15—10 a.m.; Wolverton, 9.45—10.30 a.m.; Baughurst, 10.15—10.45 a.m.; Bramley, 10.30—11.15 a.m.; Sherborne St. John, 11.15—12 noon; Basingstoke (All Saints) 12.15 p.m.

After tea.—Basingstoke (St. Michael's and All Saints) until 8.30 p.m.; Laverstoke, Sherborne St. John, 7.30—8.15 p.m.; Wolverton, 7.30—8.30 p.m.

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**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Quarterly general meeting at Fairfield, Saturday, July 4th. Service, Fairfield, 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Bells available: Swanwick (6), 9.15-10.15 a.m.; Ashover (8), 10.45-11.45 a.m.; Sheen (6), 2-3 and 7-8 p.m.; Burbage (6), 2.30-4 and after meeting; Fairfield (8), 3.30-4.30 and after meeting; also Darley Dale (8), 8-9 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. E. Ellison, 70, King's Road, Fairfield, Buxton, by June 30th.—B. P. Morris, Sec. 4879

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Striking competition final at Gosfield, July 4th, start 2.30 p.m. Prompt. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss H. Snowden, Cherry Cottage, Gosfield, before July 1st.—H. Turner, Deputy Master.

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## OUR AMERICAN SUPPLEMENT

The Editor thanks those who have sent appreciative letters in connection with Mr. G. W. Pipe's graphic story and photographs of the Washington visit.

Copies of the issue of June 12th are still available at the usual price. The supplement can also be purchased separately, price 3d.

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wellingborough Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Wollaston, Saturday, July 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Tuesday to Rev. Cummins, Wollaston Vicarage, Wollaston, near Wellingborough.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.**—Quarterly meeting at Coleshill, July 4th. Bells (8) available 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Please notify for tea.—G. E. Fearn, 92, Etwell Road, Hall Green, Birmingham 28. Phone SPR 1025. 4824

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Dorchester Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Wool on Saturday, July 4th. Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea, followed by meeting, 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, July 1st, to Mr. L. G. N. Williams, 47, Spring Street, Wool, Wareham, Dorset.—R. H. Duke, Hon. Sec. 4865

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Annual general meeting, Macclesfield, July 11th. Committee meeting 1 p.m. (Parish Rooms). Service 3.30. St. Michael's. Tea 4.30, followed by meeting. Names for tea, please, with cash (4s. 6d. each) to Mrs. H. L. Horn, 13, Cherington Crescent, Macclesfield, by Monday, July 6th. No name no tea. Towers available, 10-11 a.m., Bollington. Congleton: 10.30-11.30. Gawsforth: 11 a.m.-noon, Prestbury: 10.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m., Nether Alderley, Sutton, Chelford: 1.30-3.15. St. Peter's. Christ Church: 6. St. Michael's. Christ Church, St. Peter's: 7 p.m., Bollington, Prestbury, Gawsforth, Congleton, Chelford, Sutton. 4869

## LATE NOTICES

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—Meeting at St. Ann's Church, Singleton, on Saturday, June 27th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. 4882

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—Evening practice meeting at Attleborough, Saturday, June 27th. Bells (6) 6.30 to 9 p.m.—C. F. W. Phillips, Hon. Sec. 4883

**SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY.** Est. 1623.—The 341st anniversary of Great Ringing Day will be held on Saturday, June 27th. Bells (12) available 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Twelve bell ringing guaranteed. Service at noon. Lunch 4s. 6d. and tea 2s. for those who notify me by June 25th.—L. E. Pitstow, 4, Highfields, Phone 2074. 4881

**RADLETT, HERTS.**—Dedication of new ring of six bells by Mears, tenor 3 cwt., by the Vicar of Radlett on Sunday, June 28th, at 6.30 p.m. Ringing after the service until 9 p.m. All ringers welcome. Practice night Wednesday.—Ranald Clouston, 1, Canons Close, Radlett (6286). 4886

**NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Betley on Saturday, July 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, July 1st, to J. Kent Plum Tree Farm, Church Lane, Betley, Cheshire.—G. C. Beech, Hon. Sec. 4885

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Quarterly meeting, July 11th. Ringing: St. Stephen's, Rochester Row, 3.4-3.30 p.m.; St. Luke's, Chelsea, 7-8 p.m. Tea, South Kensington Restaurant, near South Kensington underground station, 5 p.m. Names for tea to F. J. Matthews, 6, Foxwood Road, Bean, near Dartford, Kent. 4884

## SWANSEA & BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD

### Ringing Competition

Neath ringers were the lucky ones to win the Guild's shield in this year's ringing competition, held at St. Thomas' Church, Neath, on May 23rd.

The seven bands entered were: Cadoxton, Neath, Glasbury, St. Mary's (Brecon), Newton Nottage, Sketty No. 1 and No. 2. The competitive spirit throughout was very keen, and the striking and rising and falling had much improved from previous years. The adjudicator, Mr. Gwyn Thomas, in his summing up, stated that he had thought it necessary to add credit points. The results were (out of a possible 240 points): 1 Neath, 220 points; 2 Cadoxton, 216 points; 3 Glasbury, 203 points.

The Rector gave a warm welcome, and added that one thing the competition had done was to create greater interest among his young church bellringers, and induce them to ring regularly for Sunday services. He was more than pleased that they had won the shield.

The Master, Mr. Malcolm Johns, thanked the Rector and those responsible for the excellent tea. J. A. H.

## A YORKSHIRE OUTING

Accompanied by wives and friends, ringers from Horbury, Ossett and Rothwell, had their second annual outing on May 23rd in delightful countryside and perfect weather, matched by Irvin's arrangements, but not, unfortunately, by the ringing.

Perhaps our best touches came after tea, on the majestic eight at Bridlington, where at least we rang some passable Stedman, although it must be admitted that we had not a band to do full justice to so glorious a ring.

The day had begun inauspiciously, with some unsteady ringing at Goole. There, as elsewhere, our learners, unaccustomed to the long draught in the belfry, had difficulty in handling; yet the more proficient had their troubles, too, for both Kent and Stedman refused to go.

Fortified by a first-rate lunch in Hull, we moved on to the fine octave at Hedon—beautiful bells, which will run, so that we suffered by ringing them too slowly. Stedman failed again, and our best here was a course of Double Norwich.

Our third calling-place was Patrington, where the soaring spire, rightly renowned, was the subject of our wonder; while the intriguing mode of access to the belfry excited not a little speculation in the way of ingenious suggestions as to the best manner of negotiating the catwalk and gave rise to dark rumours concerning the dwarfs of Holderness. The ringing here was undistinguished, save that Stedman eventually came round.

Grateful thanks are offered to all who met us and to the respective incumbents. R. B.

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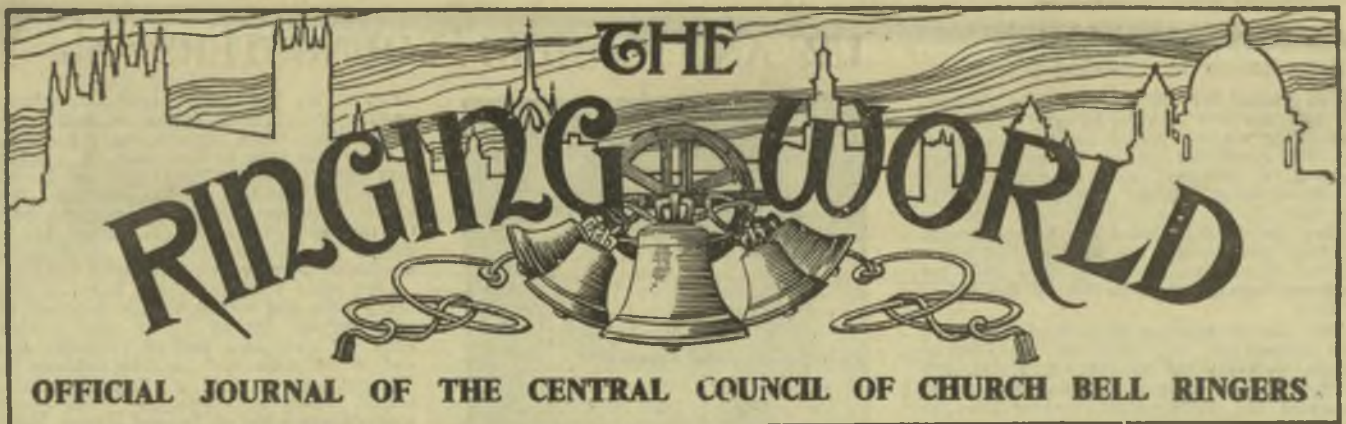
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## THE PROFESSOR EXPLAINS

HAVING discovered on examining the Professor's list of so-called 'Common Fallacies' that there was one with which I violently disagreed, I repaired myself thither in order to do battle.

I handed him the list with the offending passage 'A musical ear is not necessary in order to become a first-class striker' heavily underlined in red ink. In order to support my argument I had copied on a piece of paper the definition of 'Rhythm' from the Oxford Concise Dictionary, thus: '(Mus.) systematic grouping of notes according to duration; structure resulting from this;'. This document I stuck under his nose.

'Surely,' I began with my immaculate logic, 'seeing that good striking depends upon the accurate placing of one's bell in a rhythmic pattern, any person possessing a sense of rhythm has no need for what is usually termed a "musical ear"?'

He read through the definition carefully.

'The most significant feature of this,' he observed, 'is the abbreviated heading in parenthesis, because, in spite of much evidence to the contrary, bellringing is still a musical activity.'

'Maybe, but though I grant that a musical sense is perhaps a useful ingredient, I contend that it is by no means indispensable to good striking.'

'The first thing a learner has to master,' answered the Professor, 'once he has overcome the initial difficulties of bell-handling, is to recognise the sound of his own bell as it emerges from the welter of sounds above his head. If he is on the treble or the tenor he has maximum opportunity to recognise the "pitch" of it, especially in rounds, but once changes begin he is beset with problems. He has, in addition to his method-ringing and bell-handling difficulties, to accustom himself to the time lag between pulling and striking, and if he is tone deaf—and it is surprising how many people suffer from this defect in varying degrees—this time lag is the only means of fixing the position of his own bell into the rhythmic pattern, seeing that he cannot recognise the sound of it.'

'Such people, of course, cannot really make first-rate leaders. Being aware that the pattern (i.e., the rhythm) is uneven but being unable to recognise by sound the principal offenders, they cannot instigate the necessary corrections and are driven to the time-worn phrase "Listen to 'em".'

I felt the ground slipping from beneath my feet.

'There must be many first-class strikers who are tone deaf,' I persisted.

'Are there? Offhand I cannot recall any. I should be most interested to discover how many there are and would be delighted to be proved wrong. All the best strikers I know are at least musical enough to be able to sing in tune and quite a few have distinct musical ability—like yourself! although it doesn't necessarily follow that distinct musical ability automatically produces a first-rate striker.'

And having neatly removed with one hand what he had given with the other, he went on: 'You see, the difficulty with "unmusical" ringers is that in order to attain a standard of striking as high as their fellows they have to be well above average intelligence (for unmusicality is not a defect of intellect) in order to overcome their great handicap.'

'You make it sound,' I complained, 'as though it is not worth while an unmusical person taking up bellringing!'

'I'm sorry if I have given that impression,' he said, 'especially when I think of Henry.'

'And who is or was Henry?'

'He was a friend of mine who took part in many of the peals I stood in some years ago. He was highly intelligent but tone deaf. It was painful being next to him in church when he was joining in the hymns, but in the tower he was a very keen ringer and learnt to strike reasonably well. He needed gentle reminders at intervals, such as "Keep a little wider off the tenor at hand," or "Keep a little closer to the third at backstroke," whereupon he would give a little nod and make the necessary adjustment. I think he struck by visual memory alone plus, perhaps, the natural instinctive rhythmic muscular sense that most ringers possess.'

The time to depart came all too quickly, but as I was about to depart I asked the Professor his opinion of the team that went to America.

'I have no quarrel with it. Selection was difficult but I think an excellent choice was made.'

'Mind you,' he remarked with a mischievous twinkle in his eye, 'I think there was a very serious deficiency.'

'Oh, and what is that?'

'Well, don't you think that in order to illustrate the full variety and vigour of British bellringing a team of **Minor** ringers, ringing **irregular** methods, **close-leads** on **Yorkshire** ends should have been sent?'

I was relieved; I thought he was going to say that a lady should have been included.

Perhaps, however, he was right. What do you think?

H. C.



## ESSEX ASSOCIATION

## Presentation to Retiring Secretary

THE annual meeting of the Essex Association was held on Whit Monday at Chelmsford. The service, before the business meeting, was conducted by the Provost (the Very Rev. G. E. Gordon), with an address given by the Assistant Bishop of the Diocese (the Rt. Rev. T. G. Stuart-Smith). He took for his text the words, 'Guard Thy Steps,' reminding those present that the familiarity of entering the church often tends to take away the reverence which should be felt in the House of God.

The annual meeting immediately followed the service and was held in the Chapter House, with the Master (Mr. R. C. Heazel) in the chair. During the meeting the Master presented Mr. F. V. Gant, retiring after 11 years as secretary, with a silver salver and a cheque for his services to the Association. The business of the meeting was a little out of the usual run. The important item was a change in the rules which created a separate post of treasurer to the Association to take effect immediately.

Two proposals of a controversial nature came up. The Northern District proposed that the name of the Association should be changed to the Chelmsford Diocesan Guild. The object of this was to prevent the loss of affiliated towers due to the change in county boundaries. Mr. R. Tomlin proposed that the Master and District Master should not hold office for more than five consecutive years. He stressed that this was not meant as a criticism of the present officers, but an effort to keep the Association from stagnating.

Both the propositions were defeated by a large majority.

One change and one addition was made to the officers—Mr. P. W. Saltmarsh becoming general secretary and Mr. P. J. Eves elected to the new post of general treasurer.

The business closed at 1.25 and the members went to lunch, once again provided by the members and friends of the S.E. district.

In the afternoon and evening the usual towers were open. P. W. S.

## OBITUARY

## MR. W. H. HAYWARD

The death took place at Cirencester Memorial Hospital on June 3rd of Mr. Wilfred H. Hayward, aged 68. He started ringing at Witcombe at the age of ten. He was badly injured in the Battle of the Somme in World War I where he lost part of his left leg.

He came to Cirencester soon after the war and rang with us for about 48 years, during which time he held for many years the offices of vice-captain and steeple keeper. He rang 39 peals on from five to 12 bells and was a good heavy bell ringer.

The funeral service was held at Cirencester Parish Church and was followed by cremation at Cheltenham. The Rev. I. H. Hearn, a very old friend, officiated at the service which was attended by the ringers, who sent a wreath in the shape of a bell. The ashes were afterwards interred at Witcombe.

In the evening a half-muffled quarter peal of Grandsire Triples was rung: R. Wakefield 1, the Rev. I. H. Hearn 2, H. L. Cooke 3, E. H. Jefferies 4, F. J. Lewis, jun., (cond.) 5, P. Law 6, W. A. Godwin 7, P. Morgan 8. Miss Heather Leeds also rang in a touch to add her respect.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to Mrs. Hayward and the other members of the family and we shall all miss him very much.

F. J. L.

## UP AND COMING YOUNGSTERS—No. 16



MICHAEL R. BLORE.

The Derby Diocesan Association.

Michael R. Blore has, during his teenage years, built up a first class ringing record which does great credit to those who have taught and helped him, especially Mr. G. Halls, a well known Derby ringer, with whom he has rung most of his peals and whose help he greatly appreciates.

Michael was born on April 13th, 1943, at Melbourne, Derbyshire, and three years later, after his father had met with a fatal accident, the family moved to Derby.

After his school days at the Sturgess School, Derby, he went to the Derby and District College of Technology, where he took a five year course of mechanical engineering (City and Guilds). He is now a trade apprentice at the Rolls Royce Aero Engine Factory at Derby.

At the age of 14 Michael started to learn to ring at the Cathedral Church of All Saints, his tutor being the Ringing Master, Mr. H. Taylor. A very high standard of ringing is enjoyed at the Cathedral and the ten bells are rung morning and evening, almost every Sunday. He made rapid progress, scoring his first peal a year later. This was on January 3rd, 1958, at Brailsford, when he rang the treble to a peal of Plain Bob Doubles, conducted by Mr. D. Walklate.

Determined to further his skill in the art, Michael began to study the field of conducting and his first success came fifteen months after he rang his first peal. It was on April 8th,

1959, at St. Werburgh's, Spondon, where he conducted a peal of Minor in four methods (Cambridge, Kent, Oxford and Plain Bob).

Since that time he has built up a fine and first class record, with a total of 71 peals, including Yorkshire and Cambridge Royal, Derby, Glasgow and Bristol Surprise Major. Of this noteworthy record Michael has conducted 11, including two each of Bristol and Yorkshire Surprise and Grandsire Triples.

Like many youngsters he is keen on ringing heavy bells and success in this direction came when at the age of 17 he rang Grantham tenor (32 cwt.) to a peal of Yorkshire Royal, and in the same year he rang Oakham tenor (24 cwt.) to a peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major, which he conducted. His proudest moment was when he finished ringing Nottingham St. Mary's tenor (36 cwt.) to a peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal in 1962.

## New Rate for Postal Subscribers

In accordance with the announcement made at the Central Council meeting at Truro a new rate will operate for postal subscribers renewing their subscriptions or enrolling as new members as from July 3rd. The increase is equivalent to 2s. per annum, and the new rates will be: 3 months 10s.; 6 months 19s.; 12 months £1 17s. Substantial reductions are allowed for subsequent copies.

In the eyes of Michael Blore the late Ernest Morris, with whom he had the pleasure of ringing, ranks high among great ringers, and he considers that to be congratulated on one's ringing by such as E. M. is praise indeed.

Michael's experiences as a ringer have not been without amusing incidents, one of which happened at Oakham when a member, renowned in the Derby Association for his home-made potent wine, invited the band to his home after a peal. Michael, who took no heed to friendly warnings, was completely knocked out and knew nothing more until he woke up the next morning to find himself at the home of another ringing friend.

Michael, who has held the office of secretary and chairman for the Derby District of the Derby Diocesan Association, has other interests besides ringing. One in particular is playing the guitar in a rhythm group which has been for an audition at the TV studios in Birmingham, and he has played at a number of ballrooms in the Midlands. It is hoped that this musical activity will not spoil for him the chance of extending a first class ringing record. Good luck, Michael, and may the great and wonderful art of change ringing keep you alive in the Exercise.

NORVING.

## A PRAYER BEFORE A PEAL

Prior to the peal on the bells of Washington Cathedral, the Dean (the Very Rev. F. B. Sayre) said the following prayer:

O God our heavenly Father who art the author of our labour and our life, we thank Thee that Thou hast given us the freedom to praise Thee and serve Thee here on earth and to know one another in the grace of that service.

Bless us this day our heavenly Father that as we praise Thee with these bells Thy light and the wonder of Thy glory may peal forth from this tower to reach the hearts of all who hear them.

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

Shelford, with 36½ faults, were the worthy winners in the Bingham District round of the Crawford Cup contest held on May 23rd at Granby. They were followed by Whaddon (85½ faults), Radcliffe-on-Trent (115), Holme Pierrepont did not finish the test piece.

It was a very enjoyable meeting, with 40 ringers present, and ringing at Granby and Barkston in the evening. Mr. Harrison thanked the judges (Messrs. A. Mould and D. Marshall), and Mr. Exton, the Vicar.

Next meeting: Colgrave, July 4th (joint with Nottingham District).

R. B.

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## COLLEGE YOUTHS IN SOUTH WALES

'It rains in Wales  
In buckets and pails,  
And when it stops raining it hails.'

THIS version of a well-known Welsh song probably does less than justice to the climate of the Principality, but certainly it seemed to your correspondent, when he attended the meeting of the Ancient Society of College Youths at Cardiff on June 6th, that there was some justification in the above lines. It was, to say the least of it, wet, when the party from London arrived at Newport, Mon., and so we were very glad and grateful that we were met at the station by Don Cliff and Jack Pryor, who took us by car to St. Woolos' Cathedral.

Here we found a fine ring of 12 bells, with a tenor of 21 cwt. We had been told beforehand that these bells form one of the best 12's there are for their weight, and they certainly came up to their reputation. The first touch, Stedman Cinques, was rung by ten London members, with Tudor Edwards and David Llewelyn ably providing 'local colour.'

It wasn't raining quite so hard when we left Newport and made our way to Cardiff, some by coach and others by car. We had an informal lunch at the Tennis Court Hotel, where there were about 40 present, including members from London, Gloucester, Bristol, Liverpool and Chesterfield. This last was represented by Mr. Sam Scattergood, who, we are told, left there at the unheard-of hour of 5.30 a.m. in order to get to Cardiff on time! The London party's efforts at getting to Paddington by 8 a.m. quite pale into insignificance beside this. Among the local ringers present were the Master of the Llandaff and Monmouth Association, Mr. J. James, and the treasurer, Rev. I. J. Richards of Llanarth.

At the end of the lunch, Mr. James, in a brief speech, welcomed the College Youths on behalf of the Llandaff and Monmouth Association. He apologised for the weather, but hoped that we were having a good time in spite of it. In his reply, the Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths, Mr. John Phillips, said that we had had a very good time up till now, and hoped that we would have an even better time in the afternoon.

The party then moved across the road to St. John's Church. Here we were met by Mr. F. Hannington and Mr. T. Yeomans, and the ten bells, a mixed ring in the old style, were rung to Stedman and Grandsire Caters and Cambridge Royal.

Later we went by coach to Llandaff Cathedral. This beautiful church in a picturesque setting was badly damaged by enemy action in the war, but has now been completely restored. The dominant feature of the interior is the sculpture, 'Christ in Majesty,' by Epstein. The bells, originally cast in 1879, have also been restored, and are now a very fine ring of ten. The opening touch (Stedman Caters) was among the best ringing of the day. We were met here by Nicholas Simon, who is the Bishop of Llandaff's son.

### EIGHT NEW MEMBERS

The rain had more or less stopped when we left, and went back to the Tennis Court Hotel for the business meeting. There were about 40 present at this meeting. Eight new members were made, including Messrs. N. Simon and R. G. Havard of Llandaff, Mr. T. Yeomans, the Ringing Master of St. John's, Cardiff, and Mr. R. Addis, also of Cardiff, and Mr. J. Owen, of Pentre. The Master, Mr. Phillips, made mention of the recent deaths of Mr. Seymour R. Barker, who had been a lifelong member of the St. John's, Cardiff, band, and had rung 85 peals on the tenor there, and of Mr. R. E. Coles, a past Master of the Llandaff and Monmouth Association, who had done as much as anyone for ringing in that area.

In thanking the Llandaff and Monmouth Association, the Master especially mentioned Mr. M. J. Pryor for making such excellent arrangements, and the clergy of the three towers used.

'To me,' he said, 'this day is one of the highlights in my ringing career. When I left Cardiff many years ago for England it was beyond my wildest dreams that I would

return one day as Master of the College Youths. I should also like to thank the band who rang a peal at Caerphilly in honour of my mastership. Usually it's a case of "out of sight, out of mind," but on this occasion I was out of sight but not out of mind.'

Replying, Mr. Pryor said: 'On behalf of the Llandaff and Monmouth Association may I say how pleased we are to have you all with us today. It is particularly appropriate that the Society of College Youths should come here when you, Mr. Phillips, are Master. On looking through our peal records, I find a peal rung at Marshfield, on May 7th, 1927, of Grandsire Triples, in which Jack Phillips rang the treble to his first peal. He was Master of our Association in 1931, and during the time he was living here, between 1927 to 1939, he rang 111 peals with the Association.'

'In our Association we have a number of up and coming ringers, and it is possible that one of them may occupy the chair one day. We are quite an exporting association—our members are to be found in Liverpool, London and many other places.'

The business meeting was followed by a 'social hour,' but all too soon it was time to leave our old and new friends, and to make our various ways home. The College Youths have a long history of outings to various places, dating back to the earliest years of the society, but this was surely as good an outing as has ever been held, and I am sure we all say most sincerely, 'Thank you, Cardiff, for a most enjoyable day.'

L. U. D.

### LONG LENGTH ATTEMPT

Dear Sir,—I wish to give notice of an attempt to ring 23,072 Double Norwich Court Bob Major at Llanfeigan, Breconshire, on Saturday, July 11th, 1964, commencing at 7.30 a.m. The composition, by C. Kenneth Lewis, is as follows:

23,072 D.N.C.B. MAJOR					
23456	1	3	4	6	
34625	S	3	S	—	
46325		3	—	—	
56423		—	—	—	
36524	3	—	—	—	
63425	3	3	—	—	
24365	S	3	—	—	*

Repeat ten times, calling single at \* instead of a bob in the 1st and 7th parts. The final part to be called:

42365	1	3	4	6
23546	S	3	S	—
52346		3	2	
23456	S	—	—	

—Yours faithfully,

BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

Swansea, Glamorgan.

### KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION Ashford District

About thirty people were present for the service and tea at the meeting of the Ashford District at Stone-in-Oxney on May 30th.

The service was conducted by the Rector, Lt.-Col. the Rev. P. J. Bouverie-Brine, who welcomed the visitors, and the address was given by the Rev. T. A. Rockley, Tait Missioner to the Diocese. Mrs. Butchers was at the organ, with the choir in attendance.

Afterwards tea was enjoyed at 'The Crown,' and was arranged by Mr. A. Daw, captain of the local ringers. At the short business meeting Mr. Alan Berry, the Ringing Master, voiced the thanks of the visitors to those who had accorded such a splendid welcome for such a tiny village.

The present church, with its marvellous view across Romney Marsh, has stood on its island for 500 years. But the site has probably been sacred since the second century, as a Roman altar to Mithras, god of the legions, was unearthed from the chancel floor. This huge carved stone now stands on the floor of the tower, and is certain to outlast the old frame of the bells some 100 feet above it.

C. T. H.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

### North Dorset Branch

At a quarterly meeting at Bourton on June 13th, some 30 ringers were present, including visitors from Bradford-on-Avon, Trowbridge, Wellington, Wells and North Cadbury. Standard methods were rung on the good-going six during the afternoon and evening, and also at Silton (5).

A course of Plain Bob Minor was rung on handbells during the Guild office by T. Bleathman 1—2, R. N. Longridge 3—4, P. Cracknell 5—6, and the lesson read by G. Spencer.

In the absence of the chairman, the business meeting was presided over by Mr. W. C. Shute. One new member was elected—Miss Cynthia Haynes, of Sherborne. Among other items discussed was a proposal to hold a striking competition at the Blandford Ringing Festival. Arrangements were also discussed for the Branch outing on September 5th to East Devon.

Next quarterly meeting: September 12th. Thornford (subject to consent), and Yctminster also available.

### West Dorset Branch

Amid the quiet and peaceful scenery of West Dorset with its winding lanes and on an afternoon free from rain, the branch held its summer meeting at Askerswell, on June 13th. Eight towers were represented and two visitors were welcome.

The Guild service was conducted by the Vicar (Rev. O. L. Willmott) who, in his address, spoke to us as churchmen helping the church as ringers, wardens and choir, all taking their respective parts in the service.

A high tea was provided by the local ringers and much appreciated.

At the business meeting, presided over by the chairman (Mr. W. C. Powell), Mr. Dennis Bishop (Ringing Master) congratulated four members on ringing their first peal at Bradpole. Steady progress is being made in change ringing and this was proved later in the evening, when three junior members took part in a course of Kent Treble Bob.

Next quarterly meeting, Thorncombe, September 12th: practice meetings: Corscombe, August 12th; Powerstock, September 9th; Whitechurch, October 14th. All subject to permission. J. D.

### YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Eastern District of the Yorkshire Association was held, together with the Beverley and District Society, at Howden on June 13th and was attended by 54 ringers and friends representing 19 towers. The service was conducted by the Rev. P. H. Peppin in the unavoidable absence of the Vicar. An excellent tea was provided by Mrs. Harris and lady helpers. The business meeting was presided over by the vice-president Mr. H. Walker, Pocklington, was selected as the next place of meeting on September 19th. The Misses M. Hildred, of Huntington, and J. Campbell, of Kirk Ella, were elected members.

Mr. J. Potts was elected Ringing Master, and Messrs. D. S. Johnson, J. J. Taylor and C. Groome to the committee, all for three years. Mr. N. W. Castle was appointed to act as assistant secretary for 12 months.

### HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

#### Young Ringers Encouraged

Eleven young girls are learning to ring the six bells at Wallington. Five of these were keen enough to come to an evening practice meeting held there on June 6th by the Hertford County Association. Each had at least two good tries at ringing in rounds, and for some this was their first time on unsilenced bells.

For the more experienced ringers methods were fitted in up to a course of London. We were glad to welcome visitors from Croydon (Surrey) and Ashford (Kent). J. S.



# Letters to the Editor

## Ten Men went to Sow

Dear Sir.—What an excellent article by George W. Pipe! One can almost live through this wonderful experience, the more so when one is able to recall many of the places of interest described.

Doubtless the whole team will have had an experience, the memory of which will be with them for the rest of their lives. And what a topic for ringers' meetings and conversations. Congratulations.—Yours faithfully,

J. R. COTTERILL, J.P.

Great Barr, Birmingham.

Note.—We thank other readers for their appreciative references.—T. W.

## First Handbell Peals in America

Dear Sir, — I noticed in 'The Ringing World' of June 12th that four of the ringers who recently visited the U.S.A. rang a peal of Plain Bob Major on handbells at Washington, D.C., and claimed that they had rung the 'first handbell peal in U.S.A.'

This claim, of course, is incorrect as the first handbell peal in U.S.A. was three methods of Doubles rung at 217, Highland Avenue, Tarrytown, N.Y., on May 10th, 1950, conducted by me. The peal was rung to commemorate the centenary of the first peal rung in the U.S.A., namely Grandsire Triples at Philadelphia, Pa. on June 9th, 1850.

We also rang another handbell peal of Doubles six days later at the same address which was, at the time, the home of the late Bernard H. Swinson. Both these peals were published in 'The Ringing World' at the time and are recorded in the annual report of the Durham and Newcastle Association for 1949-50. Incidentally the three ringers who took part rang eight peals of Doubles at Caracas, Venezuela, in 1948-49, thus ringing peals on both the North and South American continents. These peals were also published in 'The Ringing World' at the time and are recorded in the relevant reports of the Durham and Newcastle Association.

I shall be obliged if you will give publicity to this matter so that the incorrect claim can be withdrawn.—Yours sincerely,

ROLAND PARK.

Darlington.

Note.—We also thank Mr. Kenneth Arthur for similar information. He adds that the recent peal may well be the first of Major in U.S.A.—Ed.

## A Protest from Lavenham

Dear Sir.—May I, through 'The Ringing World,' register a protest against companies who, on their annual outings, inflict on local inhabitants the most shocking noises — I dare not call it ringing.

I have been ringing for over 40 years and realise that learners should be given every encouragement, but surely a strange tower is not the place to let them practise and make such a horrible din?

The late Arthur Symonds taught me and a great many others, and we were not allowed to ring, even in our own tower, until we could really control a bell.

The last two Saturdays have been the worst in my experience and I hope this letter will be taken in good faith by the leaders of the companies.—Yours sincerely,

F. TURNER.

Lavenham.

## Broadcasting and Ringing

Dear Sir.—Having recently been privileged to broadcast on B.B.C. Home Service on the subject of bells and ringing, I was particularly interested in the report of the Central Council's Committee on broadcasting presented at Truro. Mr. Sanger is right to suggest that ringers and those interested in listening to bells should write to the B.B.C. I would add, whether they like how any broadcast of bells or ringing is treated, it does not matter. The important thing to those responsible is to know just how many people listen or are interested in particular programmes.

I would hazard a guess that in a year the B.B.C. may receive about a dozen letters regarding ringing, but they do receive hundreds of letters regarding other musical subjects. The different producers have a definite job to do, the chief aim being to interest and entertain the general public. Minorities and special subjects appear to get consideration in proportion to any interest shown, and requests or criticism they may receive.

Personalities we know have a degree of sway. I was rather concerned to see in print in the 'R.W.' that sometimes officers or producers leave or change their jobs, and that means that someone has to start all over again to educate his successor. This was not very nicely put; if I were in the B.B.C. I may like to be introduced to something, or advised on what a minority may have to offer, a proper approach and attitude of mind is always necessary.

Regarding the inclusion of ringing when a church service is broadcast, I understand that a certain number of minutes are allocated to the complete service, and the incumbent can more or less decide how these minutes (or seconds) are used. I have always thought that we ringers should try to publish in 'Ringing World' a notice of an intended or possible item on bells being heard; in my case recently the date and time were not known in time for publication, although I could have got confirmation from 'The Radio Times' if I had looked!

Just in case any listener had the idea that my talk was about me instead of bells, I would explain that I was fulfilling a request to 'look back' over my years of ringing and sneak of the attractions of our art, and differing rings of bells. My claim that the bells of Chewton Mendip, in Somerset, are somehow superior to any other ring of eight of their approximate weight has not been disputed, so I assume that this has now become generally accepted.—Yours etc.,

W. H. COLES.

Hillingdon, Middx.

## Identity of Bells wanted

Dear Sir,—On Sunday, June 14th, the topic of the programme 'About Religion' on I.T.V., was 'Bow Bells.'

St. Thomas' ringers waited eagerly to hear the new 12 being rung, but the only bells heard, at the beginning and end of the programme, were a slow and what seemed to be a heavy octave.

Could any ringers who saw the programme identify them?

I think I would be correct in saying that those broadcast were not Bow bells, and that we have been deceived!—Yours etc.,

J. HEDGCOCK.

St. Helens, Lancs.

## First Ladies' Peal for Bath and Wells

Dear Sir.—Regarding the peal of Grandsire Doubles recently rung at Dinder, and stated to be the first peal by all ladies for the Bath and Wells Association, whilst not disputing this claim, I would remind readers that a peal of Grandsire Triples was rung by all ladies at Portishead as long ago as 1915. Presumably, this peal was credited to the Ladies' Guild; although on the commemorating peal-board it is headed 'Bath and Wells Association' and the Ladies Guild is mentioned in smaller letters below.

All the ringers taking part in this peal were, in fact, members of the Portishead tower and I wonder whether this feat has ever been emulated outside of Portishead? These ladies repeated their performance three years later, again at Portishead, when a similar peal was rung. On this occasion all were local ladies, except the tenor ringer, who was Miss E. K. Parker (now Mrs. Fletcher).—Yours truly,

A. J. GOULD.  
(Tower Sec.)

Portishead.

## An East Anglia Broadcast

Dear Sir,—On reading the Central Council's Broadcasting Committee's report, I noticed that in East Anglia's region 'nothing of interest has occurred' in the last year.

However, while on a cycling tour of the area, around Norwich and Great Yarmouth, members of Manchester University Guild appeared on the B.B.C.'s East Anglia Regional News. A pre-recorded film showed us cycling up to St. Edmund's, Kessingland, entering the tower and actually ringing. Here the B.B.C. made a slight error. As we were ringing on the screen, a recording of Grandsire Doubles could be heard. Unfortunately Plain Bob Minor was actually being rung! The film was followed by a live interview with our tour organiser, John Baldwin, and our secretary, Miss Jean Allen. The whole item took about five minutes of viewing time at 6.15 p.m. I personally would consider this 'interesting', but then I am biased—I was on it.—Yours sincerely,

DAVID J. BAKER.

Victoria Park,  
Manchester.

## Grandsire Triples (page 397)

Dear Sir.—In the two interesting touches of Grandsire Triples by Brian D. Price, I respectfully submit the footnote should read:

'For practice touches, bobs for singles giving two parts (336 changes) or call bob for single every other part giving four parts (672 changes).—Yours sincerely,

T. J. WARNER.

Solihull.

## In and Out of Course

Dear Sir.—Further to Mr. J. C. Baldwin's diagram (page 340), it has always been apparent to me that if the number of places away from home of each bell is totalled and is a multiple of four then the bells are in course, otherwise not. The diagram seems to confirm this. Am I right?—Yours, etc.,

W. O. HAYTHORNE.

Winchester.

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## STOWMARKET'S APPEAL

Dear Ringing Friends,—I do not see how it is possible, save through the courtesy of your own eagerly scanned periodical, to reach the many ringers I have met—in early days as a ringer, and, later on, as a ringing cleric. Our fraternity, which sheds its nappy fellow-snip over tower and tea at its meetings, turning in the 'sweet old bells which gladden the afternoon, has that quantity about it which encourages me to hope that I might win your interest. Is this only a sentimental dream? Oh yes, there is another hope, that I might win your support! You may have guessed that already! My old Rector used to say that the right epitaph for any clergyman was this: 'And the beggar died: (Read it how you will!)

Now I am begging for bells, so perhaps you will read on—our bells at Stowmarket, eight of them, the tenor cast next after the famous Lavenham bell (which fact will indicate their beauty) but which are threatened with silence unless completely overhauled.

Keen spirits, led by our captain, Mr. O. G. Barnard, and ladies of the parish, have raised £500 in the last three or four years in a parish heavily committed financially. I have offered to sit by the south porch of our church on July 2nd, for the day, receiving donations from all who will give.

What I wonder is this. Will the Jacks and the Georges, the Franks and the Freds, the Bills and the Charles, and many another who I have known in that wide stretching circle, and the bands with whom I have enjoyed a ring, will they send something to me for the fund? This way, I believe, no other equally deserving cause would suffer. If they would send this weekend to: THE VICAR, THE PARISH CHURCH, STOWMARKET, SUFFOLK, then the postman on his rounds would drop off the letters at the porch and. I hope, Anglia T.V. might think it worth a newflash to be there when he leaves them.—Yours in the fraternity,

A. ARTHUR MUXLOW.

The Vicarage, Stowmarket.

## OUTING

## HURST, BERKS

For their annual outing, Hurst ringers chose East Anglia. Leaving Hurst at 7.30 a.m., Thaxted was reached at 10.30 and after inspecting this noted church touches were rung on the fine ring of eight.

After passing through some lovely villages of North Essex we arrived at Sudbury, where after lunch we rang the heavy eight at All Saints' Church. Then came the famous ringing village of Lavenham, where in that magnificent tower we enjoyed an hour's ringing on the glorious eight, ringing methods up to Treble Bob Major assisted by Mr. Maurice Symonds. Long Melford, another fine church and a pleasant ring of eight, and Clare, with its heavy ring rung from the ground floor, were also visited. A last call for refreshment at Baldock and Hurst was reached at 12.30 a.m. after a total journey of 220 miles.

B. C. C.

## COMPOSITIONS FOR H AND M

The following compositions are true to the falseness groups given irrespective of lead-incidence, and will go to the methods specified for each one. It does not of course follow that the compositions are the best for particular methods in respect of musical qualities.

## 1. Maurice Hodgson Group 2 — 24365.

## 27 Courses reduced.

For lead-ends 12 2, 3 and 6.

5,152				5,152			
23456	M	W	H	23456	M	W	H
52436	—	—	—	52436	—	—	—
63425	—	(—	—	42635	—	—	3
42635	—	—	—)	62534	—	—	3*
62534	—	—	3	42356	—	2	—
42356	—	2	—				

Repeat twice and omit bracketed bobs in one part.

## 27 Courses reduced.

For lead-ends 12 1, 4 and 5.

5,152				5,152			
23456	W	M	H	23456	W	M	H
64235	—	—	(—	42635	—	—	3
23645	—	—	—	62534	—	—	3*
62534	—	—	3	52436	—	—	—
52436	—	—	—	42356	2	—	—
42356	2	—	—				

Repeat twice, and omit bracketed bobs in one part.

Repeat twice. Omit 3H\* in last two parts.

Repeat twice, and omit 3H\* in last two parts.

## SUITABLE FOR METHODS

370	760	1246-7	2770-2
374	768	1249-50	2775-80
375	771-2	1253	2782-9
376	774-5	1258-9	2791
378	778	1263-5	2806
379	780	2053-6	2808
395-6	782-5	2059	2813
400	789	2062-4	2825
402-4	792-3	2066-7	2840-2
412	795	2069	2846-7
414	797-9	2106-7	2850
421	800-1	2111	2852
687-8	823-4	2113-7	2854
695-6	827	2119	2856
699	1040-2	2133-4	2859
700	1051	2151-2	2861-2
702-4	1053-4	2691-3	2867-9
706-7	1056	2705-6	2871-2
709	1199	2710	2874-6
714	1203	2712-6	2878-80
723-6	1205-6	2718-21	2882
728-37	1208	2723-4	2888-91
739	1210	2726-7	2894-7
741-3	1218	2731-2	2902
756	1234-5	2754-6	2904-5
	1240-2	2761-6	2907
		2767	2923-6
			2928-30
			2932
			2935-6
			2939-40
			2942
			2947-9

## 2. Groups 2, 4 and 10. 24365, 32546, 46253, 65432, 53624.

## 1. Cambridge lead-ends (12 2).

5,056				Suitable for methods	
By NORMAN SMITH	B	M	W	H	
23456					
35642	2	—	—	—	342 1238
54326	x	—	—	3	364 1243
65243	x	—	2	2	457 2005
25346	—	—	—	—	461 2075
54632	2	—	—	—	479 2225
26435	—	—	—	—	485 2253
64235	—	—	3	2	747 2257
24536	—	—	—	—	803 2794
23456	A	—	—	—	1052 2836
					1086
					1096

## 2. Lead-end 12 3 (17583624).

5,088			
By W. E. CRITCHLEY	B	W	H
23456			
54632	—	—	—
64235	—	—	3 3
35642	2	—	—
26543	—	—	—
42563	—	—	—
52364	—	—	3
(26354)	—	x	—
43652	—	—	—
35426	2	—	2 3
23456	3	—	—

## SUITABLE FOR METHODS

343	745	1995	2046	2237
347	779	1997	2112	2239
356	807	2000	2122	2241
363	1039	2008	2135	2246
388	1057	2012	2136	2251
398	1048	2021	2155	2262
430	1095	2024	2193	2271
463	1987	2030	2227	2276
470	1989	2041	2234	2284

## 3. London lead-ends (12 6).

5,088			
By J. W. WASHBROOK	M	B	W
23456			H
35426	—	—	2
24653	—	—	—
23564	3	—	3

Repeated twice.

## SUITABLE FOR METHODS

345-6	474	829	2027	2077	2096
351	692	1025	2038	2079	2098
383-4	708	1028	2048	2080	2101
391	719-20	1134	2058	2081	
393	758	1152	2060	2083	
416	767	2001	2072	2085	
436	788	2002	2073	2089	

A. S. HUDSON.

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## YOUNG CHIDDINGFOLD IN THE WEST COUNTRY



This is the happy party of eight keen young ringers from Chiddingfold, Surrey, who had a week's ringing in Cornwall and Devon with their headquarters at Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stacey's home at Stratton. In all the band rang at 47 churches during the week, transport being by two cars.

On the way home ringing took place in three different counties, Clist Honiton being selected for Devon, Ilchester for Somerset and Bourton for Dorset.

In the picture from left to right are: B. G. D. Vince, J. H. Payton, T. Weiler, M. Bura, A. Clark, M. Fuller, J. E. Clark, J. Payne, with Mr. and Mrs. Stacey and their daughter and boy friend and Robert Hampton.

The average age of the band was 17½ years. They would like through 'The Ringing World' to let their hosts, Mr. and Mrs.

Stacey, and Penny know how much they enjoyed their holiday. They thank them most sincerely and also all the local ringers and incumbents who made them welcome.

## ALAN PINK'S WHITSUN TOUR

On Friday, May 15th, at 10 p.m., Alan was joined by Christine and Dennis Bowen, Jennifer Sceeney, Chris Clarke, Ted Venn, Jim Linnell and Giles Shedden at their headquarters for the week-end, The Check House, Seaton, Devon. The only incident on the journey down was the hitting of a pheasant, which ran in front of Chris's car and which a passing motorist picked up. During the meal we decided that we would try to ring a different Surprise method at eight-bell towers. This meant diaries were brought out, in some cases, and methods had to be learned.

On Saturday the first tower was Beer (5), where we met the last member of our party, Janet Woodman. The bells were originally hung at Braywood Church, Berks, which has now been demolished but where most of our party had rung. The bells were very noisy and the ropes were very long, but they went very well and well-struck Doubles was rung. The next port of call was Sudbury (8), where a local ringer joined us in ringing up and in a touch of Kent Treble Bob. The first Surprise method rung was Cambridge. At the next tower, East Budleigh (8), we were joined by a local ringer when he heard us ringing. The front two were very light set at hand stroke and caught the unwary at first. Besides the plain methods rung Yorkshire was rung.

The first tower after lunch was Woodbury (8), where a local ringer joined us in ringing. These bells were heavy and the tenor was not always pulled off at the right time. The Surprise method rung was Superlative.

At Ottery St. Mary (8) the only method well struck was Bristol. The church itself was very much admired and we had an audience, as there were many visitors looking round.

After tea, on the way to the next tower, Honiton (6), Giles' navigator showed them more of the countryside than was planned and therefore they arrived a quarter of an hour after Chris' car. There was no light in this tower but luckily it was not very dark. We were joined at both the Honiton towers by a ringer from Ottery. The eight at Honiton were a complete contrast to the heavy six, and the first touch of Double Norwich was rung. Surprise method was Lincolnshire. This was our last tower of the day, so we returned to headquarters for our dinner and then a walk round Seaton.

### A 6 a.m. DIP

At six o'clock on Sunday morning two of our party were creeping out of the Check House and down to the beach. Jennifer had said the night before that she had her swimsuit with her and was going swimming. The others wanted a witness to go so someone kindly volunteered to get up at that early hour. According to the witness she only stayed in five minutes.

The first stop Sunday morning was Taunton (12), where we joined in the service ringing. Grandsire Cinques was rung but Stedman Caters did not go so well. Janet was unable to be with us on the Sunday.

The next three towers were arranged at short notice by Mr. Langley. They were West Monkton (6), Thurloxton (5) and Creech (6). We joined the local ringers in Lyme Regis for service ringing and were very pleased that we were able to ring with Canon C. Carew Cox. We rang Yorkshire and Superlative. Then back to Seaton for dinner, where we joined the other guests for the first time.

Monday morning we collected our bags and left the headquarters for the last time. At Seaton (8) we were again joined by Janet and, for the day, Harry Keeley and also a local ringer from Beer. The first method rung was Ashted and then Bristol. At the next tower Colyton (6) we noticed a large object in the corner when we walked in, which on closer inspection was seen to be an old chiming apparatus. After ringing we turned the handle of the machine and rounds were struck. The local ringer said that it was a few hundred years old and was not used nowadays. At Axminster, we were joined by Mrs. Powell. These bells were of very good tone and we rang London and Bristol.

The first tower after lunch was Kilminster, where half the party had to wait as the tenor ringer stood on the trap door. Some Spiced Minor was rung and also London and York Surprise.

The next tower, Chard (8), was our last tower of the week-end. When we were not ringing we sat outside on chairs and sunbathed. A touch of Plain Bob called by one of the ladies failed to come round when she called too many 'Before's'. Otherwise all the other touches came round. The Surprise

method rung was Southall. After an excellent tea we all returned from whence we came.

We would all like to thank Alan for organising this tour and also to thank the incumbents who allowed us to ring their bells and also to all the local ringers who met us and made us feel so welcome. J. S.

## A STRIKING DAY IN BERKSHIRE

To quote Mr. W. Viggers: 'What more could a man want than to sit in peaceful surroundings on a fine day in May and listen to church bells ringing for his benefit!'

As joint adjudicator with Major E. J. Bragg, Mr. Viggers' opening comment at the Sonning Deanery Branch striking competition typified the friendly air of this annual event. Both judges, who travelled from Aldershot, were impressed by the improvement in striking ability made each year and shown by the decrease in fault finding.

The competition, held at Hurst on May 9th, was different from past contests by the more relaxed attitude of the teams and any tension, if present at all, was certainly not apparent among the teams waiting their turn to ring.

Ringling on the back six of Hurst's eight (tenor 14½ cwt.) was a precedent which had less effect than was perhaps anticipated—perhaps more credit to the teams who found the long draught and a certain springiness in the ropes a greater challenge in the production of good striking.

Hurst were complimented on their excellent ringing and declared winners with 11 faults—faults which the judges thought perhaps would never come as this team started off with perfect rounds and changes. Easthamstead were awarded second place with 22 faults and Sandhurst third (30 faults). S. G. S.

Saxilby, Lincs. ringers would like to apologise to the ringer who called on Sunday evening, June 14th. For the benefit of any others who may think of calling on Sundays they wish to point out that Evensong is not held in the Parish Church on the second Sunday in each month.



### LANCASHIRE'S OUTING TO DERBYSHIRE

Once again the second Saturday in May found the Rochdale and Bolton Branches holding their joint annual outing. The day dawned bright and sunny, and continued so for the rest of the day. The 41-seater coach was filled to capacity, everybody was at the respective 'picking-up' points on time and so we sped out of industrial Lancashire, had a look at part of the beautiful Cheshire countryside (the driver took a wrong turning), and arrived at our first Derbyshire tower of Youlgrave exactly on time. The glorious old eight (26 cwt.) were soon sounding forth to various methods ranging from Plain Bob to four Spliced Surprise.

The next tower should have been Matlock, but unfortunately we had been informed the previous evening that we could not ring there. However, thanks to 'The Ringing World' we had managed to arrange a substitute. Perhaps you have sometimes wondered why the telephone number of 'Jafus' appeared each week in the 'R.W.'? The reason is so that he can be quickly contacted and persuaded to obtain permission (so readily granted by the Rector and tower captain) to allow Darley Dale bells to be rung at extremely short notice. It should also be mentioned that the Rector of Darley Dale also happens to be president of the Lancashire Association! Various methods were rung on the delightful eight (even Stedman came round!) and the 2,000-year-old yew tree (was it really planted by 'J.f.s.'?) was admired by all.

A chicken lunch was followed by ringing on the grand eight at Ashover, the light six at Clay Cross (where we interrupted a striking competition) and the 16 cwt. eight at North Wingfield.

Tea at Chesterfield was followed by an hour's ringing on the fine ring of 10. Mr. Sam Scattergood made us very welcome and Grandsire and Stedman Caters, three leads of Oxford T.B. Royal and half a course of Cambridge Surprise Royal were all brought round successfully. The ringing closed with

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the firing of the 10 bells in honour of the birthday of Mrs. E. M. Silcock, a member of the local band who had worked extremely hard to restore the ringing room to its former condition, following the fire in the church a short time ago.

And so, with an uneventful (to some) journey home, ended a perfect day. Our thanks are extended to incumbents and local ringers for making us so welcome, and to the organiser-in-chief, Mr. Geoffrey Cheetham.

J. P. P.

### WILLINGDON, SUSSEX

The beauties of Kent on a lovely sunny afternoon were seen by Willingdon ringers on May 30th, when their fourth annual outing was held. With them were the Vicar and ringing friends from Eastbourne, Bexhill, Warbleton and Westham.

At the first call, Hawkhurst, some of the young ringers had their first experience of heavy bells. Mr. G. Russell met us at Lamberhurst, where the ring of six was recently rehung, and the ancient church completely renovated. Our ringers found the bells more to their liking, apart from the newness of the ropes, as they are accustomed to six bell ringing.

Horsmonden took some finding, but Mr. R. T. Lambert was waiting for us and Stedman and Double Norwich were rung. We renewed acquaintance with Mr. T. E. Sone at Brenchley through the unexpected failure of a peal attempt at Maidstone. With his help a course of Cambridge Surprise Major was scored.

With the sun sinking we made our way to Tunbridge Wells, where an excellent dinner was served at the Castle Hotel. The Vicar (the Rev. W. Greenfield) thanked those responsible for the arrangements, and Willingdon was reached at 10.30 p.m.

R. W. R. P.

### CHRIST CHURCH, ERITH

Warm sunshine, wonderful scenery and delightful churches, with bells to match, were features contributing to another successful outing of the ringers of Christ Church, Erith.

On May 30th at 8 a.m. a convoy of six cars, carrying ringers, families and friends, set off through the lovely Kent and Sussex countryside to the attractive sandstone church at Turner's Hill, where we spent 45 minutes of indifferent striking on the handy eight (tenor 13½ cwt.).

Next came Slaugham's easy-going eight (11½ cwt.), which are very tuneful. Here the striking improved somewhat and a fair course of Double Norwich was rung. Pulborough bells proved to be very similar to those at Turner's Hill, good tone, easy to handle and worthy of better ringing than we produced.

After a good lunch at Arundel, we visited St. Nicholas' Church for an hour. Another 13½ cwt. tenor, bells clear and good, but again the ringing left much to be desired. Full justice was, however, done to Petworth bells, a grand ring with 18 cwt. tenor. Tea on the lawn at Amberley was very welcome and, well refreshed, we made our way to Horsham. Here is a grand ring of bells (tenor 25 cwt.), all easy to handle, and after settling down the last 20 minutes produced the best ringing of the day. And then home, with memories of a wonderful, satisfying day, well organised by tower captain Mr. A. G. Hill.

C. B. S.

### 50 YEARS AGO

'R.W.' May 8th, 1914.—

**LONDON RINGERS TO MEET AT CRICKET.**—The friendly rivalry which exists between those two ancient London Societies, the College Youths and the Cumberlands, is to be extended from the heltry to the cricket field. The former have challenged the Cumberlands to a match, and, naturally, the challenge has been accepted. This game will, we are sure, excite much interest, and, as it is to be followed by a social, there will doubtless be a big gathering of London ringers in the evening.

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Cowbridge Sunday service band, which includes four boarders from the local Grammar School, have established a new record for the Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Guild with 46 Doubles methods/variations. In the peal was Chris Ricketts, just turned 13, who with three peals to his credit must be the youngest peal ringer in South Wales. The peal was to the memory of Mr. R. E. Coles, former Master of the Guild, who died on June 1st, 1963.

Five members of the local band participated in the peal of Lincolnshire Surprise Major at St. John-the-Divine, Leics, on June 10th. Mr. R. Kingsley Mason, the conductor, is one of them.

Withycombe Raleigh, Devon, ringers will miss Miss Valerie Taylor, who for the past three years has been a student at Rolle Teachers' Training College, Exmouth. She is shortly leaving for her first appointment at Newton Ferrers.

Capel belfry was left open in connection with the Guildford Guild Summer Festival. Mrs. Penfold, of 6, Greenside, Capel, informs us that a cap was left behind. She is prepared to forward it to the owner if he notifies her.

A cosmopolitan band met one short for a peal of Stedman Cinques at Reading, but the services of the local tenor man were pressed into use, and a very pleasing peal was rung. Incidentally, it was the tenor man's first peal on 12 bells and John Napper's first of Stedman Cinques.

In regard to the peal at Painswick, published this week, it was intended that it should be an attempt at Stedman Cinques. Unfortunately one of the band failed to appear and Mr. Walter Judge, from Oxford, kindly offered to stand down. A good peal of Cambridge Royal was rung.

Hampshire ringers who travelled over 70 miles to attend the Bristol Ringing Festival, write enthusiastically of their memories. They also hit the headlines on page one of a local paper. They only wish that other cities would follow Bristol's example.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

Mr. Colin A. Lewis, present Master of the University of Wales Society, has accepted the post of assistant lecturer in geography at University College, Dublin. The U.W.S. wish him all the best of luck. Watch out, Dublin!!

With his past associations with the University, Canon K. W. H. Felstead will note the 100th peal rung for the University of Bristol Society on June 6th.

A story of unlucky 13 comes from Bridgewater, where the local branch lost a peal of Grandsire Triples after 2½ hours when the tenor clapper broke. The date was June 13th.

Inadvertently Twerton was substituted for Tiverton in a belfry gossip column that appeared in our issue of June 6th. Mr. Tudor P. Edwards asks for a correction.

The peal by the Bristol Cathedral School Guild at the Cathedral on June 12th was rung by one master, three pupils and four old boys.

Miss Hilary N. Kippin received a vote of thanks from the band who rang a peal at St. Michael's, Basingstoke, for filling a last minute gap that necessitated cancelling a previous engagement.

Going for the first peal on the bells at Tickenham, Somerset, on May 23rd, the performance had to be curtailed after six extents because a resident complained of the length of ringing.

Wendy Griffin, from West Hill, Wandsworth, should be associated with the quarter at Southwark Cathedral on June 7th. She kindly stood out after the band had met one short for Caters.

We thought we were reading the 'Irish Bell News' when we came across the following paragraph in 'Ringing Towers.' 'Who was the Sydney ringer who recently rang up a number of people late at night so that she could find out the telephone number of the house she was staying at?' The reason for this was so that she could ask a friend to put out the key in order to avoid drawing attention to her late homecoming.

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## TWELVE AND TEN BELL PEALS

### THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

READING, Berkshire.—At the Municipal Church of St. Laurence.

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 23 cwt. in D.

WILLIAM HIBBERT .. .. Treble	JOHN CHILCOTT .. .. . 7
CYRIL HIBBERT .. .. . 2	WILLIAM COOK .. .. . 8
JOHN HIBBERT .. .. . 3	JOHN HUNT .. .. . 9
GILLIAN HUSSEY .. .. . 4	FREDERICK WILKINS .. .. 10
MICHAEL HOBBS .. .. . 5	FRANK WHITE .. .. . 11
JOHN NAPPER .. .. . 6	VINCENT CHERRILL .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN CHILCOTT.

### THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BEDFORD.—At the Church of St. Paul.

On Sun., June 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 28 cwt, 3 qr. 6 lb. in D.

SHELAGH R. COLLINS .. Treble	ROBERT L. PIRON .. .. 6
ARTHUR GIBBS .. .. . 2	GEORGE W. HOLLAND .. .. 7
MURRAY A. COLEMAN .. . 3	ROBIN A. HODGSON .. .. 8
KATHLEEN A. RIVETT .. . 4	ALFRED E. RUSHTON .. .. 9
RONALD J. SHARP .. .. . 5	STEPHEN IVIN .. .. . Tenor

Composed by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.

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

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 25 cwt, 2 qr. 19 lb. in D.

ELIZABETH A. G. BOWDEN .. Treble	FRANK L. HARRIS .. .. 6
BRIAN BLADON .. .. . 2	W. BERTRAM KYNASTON .. 7
R. GEORGE MORRIS .. .. 3	THOMAS W. LEWIS .. .. 8
CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. 4	RALPH G. EDWARDS .. .. 9
VICTOR GRIFFIN .. .. . 5	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. Tenor

Composed by WM. PYE.

Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

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

On Thurs., June 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 31 cwt, 21 lb. in D.

ELIZABETH A. G. BOWDEN .. Treble	GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 6
MURIEL REAY .. .. . 2	NORMAN J. GOODMAN .. . 7
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. . 3	RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 8
GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. . 4	DAVID PURNELL .. .. . 9
EDWARD W. COLLEY .. .. 5	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

### THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

SOUTHAMPTON.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 21 cwt, 2 qr. 8 lb. in E flat.

No. 3 version.	
MARJORIE F. MATTHEWS .. Treble	DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. 6
*MIKAELA ERIK .. .. . 2	TOM CHAPMAN .. .. . 7
†E. JANE SIBSON .. .. . 3	MAURICE J. BUTLER .. .. 8
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. . 4	FRANK J. MATTHEWS .. .. 9
THOMAS H. FRANCIS .. .. 5	DENNIS BERESFORD .. .. Tenor

Composed by FRANK E. DARBY. Conducted by DENNIS BERESFORD.

\* First peal of London Surprise Royal. † 150th peal.

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

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

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

DOREEN A. DEVERELL .. Treble	DAVID J. KING .. .. . 6
E. JANE SIBSON .. .. . 2	JOHN S. BARNES .. .. . 7
JACQUELINE S. KING .. . 3	PETER BERESFORD .. .. 8
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. . 4	EDMUND MALIN .. .. . 9
DEREK E. SIBSON .. .. . 5	DENNIS BERESFORD .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS. Conducted by DENNIS BERESFORD.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

### THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

FECKENHAM, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5152 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

*ERIC STYLER .. .. . Treble	JOHN W. PERKINS .. .. 5
IAN P. UNSWORTH .. .. 2	KEITH F. GARDNER .. .. 6
RICHARD D. GIBSON .. . 3	GEOFFREY RANDALL .. .. 7
FREDERICK C. LYNE .. . 4	IAN C. MAYCOCK .. .. . Tenor

Arranged by PETER S. BENNETT.

Conducted by IAN C. MAYCOCK.

\* First touch of Major.  
Birthday compliments to T. Owen, R. Sutor and Miss J. Smith;  
also an engagement compliment to R. Spray and Miss J. Smith.

### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

GREAT WALTHAM, Essex.—Church of SS. Mary and Lawrence.

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 3 Hours.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part	Tenor 22½ cwt.
*GEORGE E. C. THODAY .. Treble	*KENNETH J. HESKETH .. 5
PETER S. BENNETT .. .. 2	†PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. . 6
†MICHAEL J. COWLING .. . 3	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 7
†PETER G. BROWN .. .. . 4	†JAMES L. TOWLER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK B. LUEKIN.

\* First peal of Grandsire Triples. † First of Triples.

### THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND BRISTOL CATHEDRAL SCHOOL GUILD.

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

On Fri., June 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

GEOFFREY H. PULLIN .. Treble	CLIFF RICHARDS .. .. . 5
*MICHAEL J. HARRIS .. .. 2	MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. 6
ROGER S. ALGATE .. .. . 3	PATRICK J. BIRD .. .. . 7
ALAN TUBB .. .. . 4	D. JOHN HUNT .. .. . Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

\* First peal of Major. 50th peal on the bells since their rehanging  
in the Cathedral in December, 1958. Tenor 21 cwt, 1 lb. in E flat.

### THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

ALDERSHOT, Hants.—At the Church of St. Michael-the-Archangel.

On Sun., May 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

*MARY E. A. BRAGG .. Treble	JENNIFER M. BUNYAN .. 5
EDWARD J. BRAGG .. .. . 2	†DEREK A. COX .. .. . 6
ALAN D. ELSMORE .. .. . 3	TOM PAGE .. .. . 7
DUDLEY P. ELSMORE .. . 4	G. KENNETH WILLIAMSON Tenor

Composed by G. H. CROSS. Conducted by G. KENNETH WILLIAMSON.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.'

Rung for the ordination this day as deacon of John Dart, son of  
Rev. T. H. Dart, Vicar of this parish; also as priest of Malcolm  
Lesiter, also of this parish. Tenor 8 cwt, 3 qr. 16 lb.

### THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

KNEBORTH, Herts.—Church of SS. Mary and Thomas-a-Becket.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Middleton's.	Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.
TERRY HATCHETT .. Treble	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 5
JACK S. DEAR .. .. . 2	*DAVID R. SAUNDERSON .. 6
*CHRISTINE RIMMER .. . 3	COLIN A. S. HARWOOD .. 7
VERNON GREEN .. .. . 4	C. MICHAEL ORME .. .. Tenor

Conducted by COLIN A. S. HARWOOD.

\* First peal in the method.

### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ERITH, Kent.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Fri., June 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5056 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

HERBERT E. AUDSLEY .. Treble	IAN H. ORAM .. .. . 5
CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. 2	MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 6
CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 3	FREDERICK J. CULLUM .. 7
*ALAN R. BRIDGES .. .. . 4	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. Tenor

Composed by F. BENNETT.

Conducted by FREDERICK J. CULLUM.

\* First peal in the method. Tenor 15 cwt. in G.

### THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Tues., June 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 13 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

G. RONALD EDWARDS .. Treble	RAYMOND BENFIELD .. .. 5
SANDRA E. CHESTERTON .. 2	RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. .. 6
REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. 3	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. 7
*BRIAN G. WARWICK .. . 4	A. JAMES POYNOR .. .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

\* 700th peal for the Guild. Tenor 6 cwt, 2 qr. 13 lb. in C.

LEICESTER.—At the Church of St. John-the-Divine.

On Wed., June 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. in E.

IAN J. FRASER .. Treble	MALCOLM E. WADE .. .. 5
GARRY WM. MASON .. .. 2	J. BARRY PICKUP .. .. 6
ROBERT E. HARDY .. .. . 3	A. MAXWELL LINDSEY .. 7
PETER J. STANFORTH .. . 4	*R. KINGSLEY MASON .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM BARTON.

Conducted by R. KINGSLEY MASON.

\* 150th peal. Rung on the birthday of H.R.H. Prince Philip.

### THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

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

On Fri., June 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt, 16 lb.

A. ROBIN HEPPENSTALL .. Treble	C. AUBREY HARRISON .. 5
DELIA E. HEPPENSTALL .. 2	JACK BRAY .. .. . 6
RONALD CHAFER .. .. . 3	MICHAEL W. CROWDER .. 7
GEORGE E. FEIRN .. .. . 4	THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. POYNOR.

Conducted by GEORGE E. FEIRN.



## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

WILLESDEN, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Thurs., June 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5152 BELPER SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt, 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

ERIC EDMONDSON .. .. Treble	*JOHN HILL .. .. . 5
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 2	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 6
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 3	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 7
ALICK CUTLER .. .. . 4	JACK S. DEAR .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* 50th peal on the bells. First in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.

A birthday compliment to Alick Cutler.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

BURNHAM, Buckinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 12 cwt, 3 qr. 13 lb.
DAVID CORNWALL .. .. Treble	GORDON W. LIMMER .. .. 5
JOYCE I. BARTON .. .. 2	GEOFFREY RIGLAR .. .. 6
JENNIFER SCEENY .. .. 3	RICHARD E. DEAN .. .. 7
W. STEWART GIBSON .. .. 4	PERCY NEWTON .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD E. DEAN.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

EASTON NESTON, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Thurs., May 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10½ cwt.

RAYMOND A. VICKERS .. Treble	*ALAN A. PAUL .. .. . 5
JAMES LINNELL .. .. . 2	BARRIE HENDRY .. .. . 6
*MARGARET A. WILSON .. 3	CHARLES E. TRUMAN .. 7
*ROGER W. SMITH .. .. . 4	WILLIAM A. YATES .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by CHARLES E. TRUMAN.

\* First peal in the method.

Rung for Ascension Day.

## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

WESTBURY, Wiltshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Thurstans' Four-Part.	Tenor 35 cwt.
FRANCIS M. MASSEY .. .. Treble	DAVID T. H. ROBERTSON .. 5
ERIC J. HITCHINS .. .. . 2	GEORGE W. MASSEY .. .. 6
EDGAR C. SHEPHERD .. .. 3	FREDERICK S. SLATFORD .. 7
NORMAN G. N. KNEE .. .. 4	LAURENCE E. HITCHINS .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK S. SLATFORD.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

SHIRLEY, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. James-the-Great.

On Wed., June 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 WHICKHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 6 cwt, 29 lb. in B flat.

PHILIP G. K. DAVIES .. Treble	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. 5
MURIEL REAY .. .. . 2	RODERICK W. PIPE .. .. 6
SUSAN FUNNELL .. .. . 3	GEORGE E. FEARN .. .. 7
GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. . 4	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. TIPLER. Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

First peal in the method.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

EAST MARKHAM, Notts.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Wed., June 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

GRACE BURCHNALL .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. 5
KATHARINE BURCHNALL .. 2	LOUIS WILLIERS .. .. . 6
MARY C. POYNER .. .. . 3	HARRY POYNER .. .. . 7
JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. .. 4	WILLIAM L. EXTON .. .. . Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY. Conducted by HARRY POYNER.

A birthday compliment to the ringers of treble and second; also a welcome to Elizabeth Margaret, second daughter of Horace and Mary Toogood, of Edgmond, Shropshire.

Tenor 10 cwt.

BINGHAM, Notts.—At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part (7th obs.).	Tenor 15½ cwt.
F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER .. Treble	*DAVID D. PARSONS .. .. 5
WILLIAM L. EXTON .. .. 2	*GEORGE A. DAWSON .. .. 6
*C. RAYMOND LARKIN .. .. 3	W. NEVILLE BROWN .. .. 7
*C. ANTONY PARSONS .. .. 4	CHARLES J. COPP .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM L. EXTON.

\* First peal of Triples.

A compliment on their silver wedding anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Larkin.

## WHICKHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

(Tipler's B 8/M)

.58 x 56.14 x 56 x 38.14 x 14.38 x 34 x 18

L.e. 12. F.C.H. 24365, 46253, 32546.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

OLD SWINFORD, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5152 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt, 3 qr. 12 lb. in F sharp.

IRENE ELLSMORE .. .. Treble	*PETER L. BILL .. .. . 5
RAYMOND SMITH .. .. . 2	WILLIAM H. COOPER .. .. 6
MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. 3	*JOHN C. EISEL .. .. . 7
PAUL W. WEBB .. .. . 4	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by JOHN C. EISEL.

\* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Major. Martin D. Fellows has now 'circled the tower.'

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

WATH-ON-DEARNE, Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt, 3 qr. 19 lb. in F sharp.

*SANDRA CROSSLEY .. .. Treble	JOHN S. SEAGER .. .. . 5
RICHARD E. PRICE .. .. 2	†MICHAEL R. MEADOWS .. 6
†JOHN E. CHAPMAN .. .. 3	RICHARD SHEKELTON .. 7
DAVID NICHOLS .. .. . 4	DAVID J. FORDER .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. MIDDLETON. Conducted by DAVID J. FORDER.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. † First in the method.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

HENLEY-IN-ARDEN, Warwicks.—Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., May 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.	Tenor 15 cwt.
F. MARK ROBOTOM .. .. Treble	IAN P. UNSWORTH .. .. . 4
KEITH F. GARDNER .. .. 2	IAN C. MAYCOCK .. .. . 5
RICHARD D. GIBSON .. .. 3	*PETER S. BENNETT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN C. MAYCOCK.

\* 50th tower for a peal.

## THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

LEWTRENCHARD, Devon.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Mon., June 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (ten callings).	Tenor 8 cwt.
D. ROY BOULD .. .. . Treble	JOHN BENOY .. .. . 4
MARGARET A. BOULD .. .. 2	WILFRED C. BOUCHER .. 5
HORACE HICKS .. .. . 3	T. LESLIE CUNDY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by D. ROY BOULD.

Rung on the 80th birthday of Mr. W. A. T. Brimacombe, of Lifton, with best wishes from all the band.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

BROOMFIELD, Essex.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In ten methods, being the following 720's: (1) London Surprise, (2) Double Court, (3) Norwich Surprise, (4) St. Clement's and Double Oxford Bob, (5) Ipswich and Cambridge Surprise, (6) Oxford and Kent T.B., (7) Plain Bob.

MICHAEL J. COWLING .. Treble	PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. 4
JAMES L. TOWLER .. .. . 2	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 5
PETER G. BROWN .. .. . 3	PETER S. BENNETT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

## THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

HASCOMBE, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Mon., June 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

*JOHN H. PAYTON .. .. Treble	*BRIAN G. D. VINCE .. .. 3
*MICHAEL D. FULLER .. .. 2	*TIMOTHY J. WELLEN .. .. 4
JOHN E. CLARK .. .. . Tenor	

Conducted by JOHN E. CLARK.

\* First peal at first attempt.

Rung for the centenary of the rebuilding of the church (June 2nd, 1864).

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

APSLEY END, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., June 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

Being 20 methods, in the following extents: (1) Lincoln and Coldstream, (2) Beverley, Berwick, Hexham and Surfleet; (3) Cambridge, Primrose, Ipswich, Norfolk, Hull and Bourne; (4) Chester and Munden, (5) Lightfoot and Wearmouth, (6) London and Wells, (7) York and Dutham; with 101 changes of method.

*BRIAN M. BARKER .. .. Treble	AUGUSTIN V. GOOD .. .. 4
*ANTONY R. KENCH .. .. 2	*REGINALD E. J. SHEPPARD 5
WALTER AYRE .. .. . 3	*KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* Most methods to a peal.



## THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.

DROGHEDA, Co. Louth.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sun., May 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 15 cwt.

*THOMAS H. WILSON .. Treble	SANDRA DUKES .. 4
ROGER D. R. BROWN .. 2	GERALD PENNEY .. 5
GEORGE H. AUSTIN .. 3	FREDERICK E. DUKES .. Tenor

Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

\* First peal.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

HOTFIELD, Kent.—At the Church of St. Margaret.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (15 callings).

Tenor 8½ cwt. in A.

CYRIL S. JARRETT .. Treble	TREVOR A. CROSS .. 4
*ALEC W. FRY .. 2	*†BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 5
*JOHN R. COOPER .. 3	*MARTIN L. HOWE .. Tenor

Conducted by CYRIL S. JARRETT.

\* First peal of Stedman Doubles. † Has now completed Stedman Doubles to Cinques. First in the method as conductor.

CHISLET, Kent.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being an extent each of Dearne Valley, Wells, London, Norwich, York, Primrose and Beverley.

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.

IAN H. ORAM .. Treble	ANDREW M. MACVE .. 4
KATHARINE M. GUY .. 2	RALPH BIRD .. 5
DENNIS A. CHAPMAN .. 3	THOMAS CULLINGWORTH .. Tenor

Conducted by ANDREW M. MACVE.

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

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being an extent each of London, York, Durham, Beverley, Ipswich, Surfleet and Cambridge.

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb. in G.

THOMAS CULLINGWORTH .. Treble	ANDREW M. MACVE .. 4
KATHARINE M. GUY .. 2	IAN H. ORAM .. 5
RALPH BIRD .. 3	DENNIS A. CHAPMAN .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN H. ORAM.

LEICESTER.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Thurs., June 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven methods: Double Oxford, Cambridge, Double Court, Kent, St. Clement's, Oxford, Plain Bob.

Tenor 8½ cwt. (approx.).

EDWARD R. WHITEHEAD .. Treble	ROBERT E. HARDY .. 4
GARRY W. MASON .. 2	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. 5
J. BARRY PICKUP .. 3	JOHN E. COOK .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN E. COOK.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

HIGHAM-ON-THE-HILL, Leics.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Fri., June 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in three methods: (1) to 6) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, (7) to 10) Plain Bob, (11) to 21) Grandshire, (22) to 31) Plain Bob, (32) to 42) Grandshire.

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in G.

*KATHLEEN M. CLARKE .. Treble	IVAN S. MERRY .. 4
†JUDY A. SUFFOLK .. 2	K. PAUL GILLIVER .. 5
JOHN WATKINS .. 3	*JOSEPH L. MERRY .. Tenor

Conducted by K. PAUL GILLIVER.

\* First peal. † First in more than one method.

## THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

ST. BRIDE'S MAJOR, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Bridget.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 31 methods and 15 variations: (1) Forncett, Fudenhall, Ithingfield, Knapton, Oakley, Ockham, Intwood, Haddiscoe, Chipstead, Ellingham, Thornborough, Longford; (2) Bedingham, Harpley, Chesham, Lyng, Broughton, Hascombe; then Intwood, Haddiscoe, etc., as above; (3) St. Simon's and Braywood; (4) St. Martin's and Welford; (5) St. Osmund and Longworth; then one extent each of Winchendon Place, St. Nicholas', Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Shipway's Place, Antelope and Grandshire; then two extents each of Kennington, Beshorpe, April Day, Litchurch, Seighford, Southrepps Pleasure, Costessy, Clifford's Pleasure, St. David's, Little Aston, Brailsford, St. Barnabas, St. Alkmund, St. James and St. Denys.

Tenor 11 cwt.

Iolo DAVIES .. Treble	GARETH H. JONES (17) .. 4
CHRISTOPHER RICKETTS (13) .. 2	PAUL M. EVANS (17) .. 5
ELLIS N. THOMAS (18) .. 3	W. J. LEWIS GROOM .. Tenor

Conducted by ELLIS N. THOMAS.

Most methods to a peal by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

Rung in remembrance of Robert E. Coles.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

GRIMSTON, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Botolph.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 9 cwt.

GRAHAM KNIGHT .. Treble	M. ROWLAND REED .. 4
KEVIN HOHL .. 2	NEVILLE GREENACRE .. 5
REV. GILES GALLEY .. 3	NORMAN V. HARDING .. Tenor

Conducted by NORMAN V. HARDING.

A welcome to the new Rector, the Rev. A. Robinson, whose institution took place the previous day.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

NETTLEBED, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

The Rev. Banks James' arrangement. Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 27 lb. in B.

MIKE C. E. HODGE .. Treble	ANDREW J. HOWES .. 4
ANGELA M. AYRES .. 2	FRANK ABSOLOM .. 5
FRANK E. GODDEN .. 3	P. GERALD McILHONE .. Tenor

Conducted by P. GERALD McILHONE.

A 20th birthday compliment to Miss Susan Howes.

BERRICK SALOME, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Helen.

On Fri., June 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being three extents each of the following methods: St. Hilary, Blackburn Place Bob, Westminster II Bob, St. Vedast, Huntspill, New Bob, St. Remigius, Winchendon Place Bob, St. Nicholas, St. Osmund, St. Martin, St. Simon, Reverse Canterbury, Plain Bob.

*EDWARD J. ALDRIDGE .. Treble	†ROGER M. HEYWORTH .. 4
ROBERT A. PARTRIDGE .. 2	CHARLES J. ADAM .. 5
P. GERALD McILHONE .. 3	†ROGER S. COE .. Tenor

Conducted by P. GERALD McILHONE.

\* First peal on a working bell, and first of Doubles. † First of Doubles 'inside.' ‡ First peal.

Rung by members of Wallingford Grammar School as a birthday compliment to Miss Angela M. Ayres. Tenor 7 cwt. in B flat.

## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

HOLT, Wiltshire.—At the Church of St. Katherine.

On Tues., June 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in the following 30 methods: Two extents each of Westminster II and Broughton, Blackburn Place and Chesham, St. Hilary and Ockham, St. Nicholas and Fudenhall, Winchendon and Haddiscoe, St. Remigius and Harpley, St. Nicholas and Hascombe, Winchendon and Thornborough, St. Remigius and Longford, St. Simon's and Braywood, St. Martin's and Welford, St. Osmund and Longworth, St. Simon's and Slapton, St. Martin's and Merton, St. Osmund and Rugby, Plain Bob and Candlesby, Rev. Canterbury and Raveningham, All Saints and six of Grandshire. Tenor 9 cwt. 6 lb. in G.

J. NIBBS .. Treble D. NIBBS .. 4

D. J. ORLEDGE .. 2 P. S. GAISFORD .. 5

R. J. PURNELL .. 3 R. LOVELOCK .. Tenor

Conducted by R. J. PURNELL.

Most Doubles methods to a peal by all the band, on the bells, and for the Guild.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

NORTH MUSKHAM, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Wilfrid.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb. in F sharp.

S. JANE DOWSE .. Treble	MARGARET E. CHILTON .. 4
RUTH BLACKSHAW .. 2	GEORGE A. DAWSON .. 5
MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 3	JOHN R. PRATCHETT .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. PRATCHETT.

STANTON-IN-THE-VALE, Notts.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Fri., June 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being three extents each of All Saints, Rushall, Rev. Canterbury Pleasure, Southrepps, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, Plain Bob, Kennington, April Day, Seaford, Rev. St. Bartholomew, Northrepps, Newborough and Grandshire.

*HAROLD STEVENSON .. Treble	†RUTH BLACKSHAW .. 3
*MARGARET E. CHILTON .. 2	WILLIAM L. EXTON .. 4
MAURICE W. HARRISON .. Tenor	

Conducted by WILLIAM L. EXTON.

\* First peal in 14 methods. † First in 14 methods 'inside.'

THRUMPTON, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Wed., June 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 15 methods/variations, being one extent each of St. Simon's, St. Albans, Eynsham, Elford, two extents of Southrepps, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, Kennington, April Day, Seighford, one extent of Reverse St. Bartholomew, Northrepps, ten extents of Plain Bob and two Morris' 240's and eight extents of Grandshire.

RUTH BLACKSHAW .. Treble	GEORGE A. DAWSON .. 3
*RAYMOND A. G. BENFIELD .. 2	MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 4
JOHN R. PRATCHETT .. Tenor	

Conducted by GEORGE A. DAWSON.

\* 75th peal. Most methods to a peal by 2 and tenor. Most as conductor. A 21st birthday compliment to John C. Warren.



WILLOUGHBY-ON-THE-WOLDS, Notts.—St. Mary and All Saints.  
On Tues., June 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in four methods, viz.: Ten each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Southrepps and Kennington, 12 of Plain Bob.

Tenor 6 cwt. 1 lb. in B flat.

S. JANE DOWSE .. .. Treble	RUTH BLACKSHAW .. .. 3
RAYMOND LARKIN .. .. 2	MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 4

MARGARET E. CHILTON .. Tenor

Conducted by RUTH BLACKSHAW.

First peal as conductor, at first attempt.

NORTH MUSKHAM, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Wilfrid.  
On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR

In 27 methods: (1) Vale Royal, Abbeyville, St. Werburgh, Crowland and Combermere Delight; (2) St. Albans, Braintree, Wragby, Charwood and Neadsen Delight; (3) College Bob IV, Marple, Willesden, Newdigate and Old Oxford Delight; (4) College Exercise, Morning Star, Norbury, Ockley and Duke of Norfolk Treble Bob; (5) London Scholars' Pleasure, Oxford, Kingston, Chapel and Sandal Treble Bob; (6) Kent, (7) Cambridge.

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

MICHAEL POPPLESTON .. Treble	DOREEN BRADLEY .. .. 4
CHRISTINE L. J. FROGGATT .. 2	FRANK BRADLEY .. .. 5
BRIAN M. BUSWELL .. .. 3	R. BRIAN MILLS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by R. BRIAN MILLS.

First peal in 27 Minor methods by all the band, on the bells, and for the Guild.

### THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

STUTTON, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven different 720's: Double Court, Oxford Bob, Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt.

ROGER L. K. WHITTELL .. Treble	ROBERT E. LESTER .. .. 4
ALICE E. J. LESTER .. .. 2	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 5
NEVILLE F. WHITTELL .. 3	RONALD W. STEWARD .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

### THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

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

On Mon., June 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being one extent each of London, Wells, York, Durham, Beverley, Surfleet and Cambridge.

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lb. in A.

LEONARD STILWELL .. .. Treble	EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. .. 4
PATRICIA DISERENS .. .. 2	RONALD F. DISERENS .. 5
WILLIAM T. BEESON .. .. 3	BRIAN J. LUFF .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN J. LUFF.

COWFOLD, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Mon., June 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods: (1) London, (2) York, (3) Netherseale, (4) Beverley, (5) Surfleet, (6) Norwich, (7) Cambridge.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

EDWARD F. FOSBERRY .. Treble	*ROBERT WAKE .. .. 4
LEONARD STILWELL .. .. 2	BRIAN J. LUFF .. .. 5
EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. .. 3	W. LESLIE WELLER .. Tenor

Conducted by W. LESLIE WELLER.

\* First peal in seven Surprise.

### THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

NEATH, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Thomas.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being four extents and a 2.160.

Tenor 8 cwt. 8 lb. in B flat.

*RICHARD T. SMITH .. .. Treble	J. ARTHUR HOARE .. .. 4
*EDMUND J. MORRIS .. .. 2	*RICHARD C. WARBURTON .. 5
*HAZEL WAY .. .. 3	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

\* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor.

### THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY.

BRISTOL.—At the Church of St. Michael-on-the-Mount Without.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents of Kent T.B. and five Plain Bob. Tenor 14½ cwt. in G.

MARIA E. KIRBY .. .. Treble	C. MARTIN FOSTER .. .. 4
ROBERT J. BROCKLEHURST .. 2	DEREK B. WILLIAMS .. .. 5
JANET D. PHILLIPS .. .. 3	DEREK M. SAWYER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DEREK M. SAWYER.

100th peal for the Society.

### THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., May 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

LONGPARISH, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

### A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 1 lb.

CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH .. Treble	GEOFFREY K. DODD .. .. 4
FRANK R. TONGE .. .. 2	ALBERT H. GREEN .. .. 5
PENELOPE A. GODDARD .. 3	JOHN W. CHENEY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.

Rung half-muffled in memory of Bernard Driver, aged 19, a ringer at this church for six years, who died on May 15th.

SPEEN, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Thurs., June 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Consisting of two extents each of April Day, Plain Bob, Dedworth Bob and four 240's by Morris and Pitman of Grandsire, and 28 extents of Grandsire in ten callings.

Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb.

WILLIAM KEWELL .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY K. DODD .. .. 4
CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH .. 2	REGINALD F. CROOK .. .. 5
FRANK R. TONGE .. .. 3	FRANCIS KEWELL .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.

To commemorate the silver jubilee of 25 years in the ministry by the Rev. K. Joyce, Vicar.

SYMONTON, Hants.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one 720 of Oxford Treble Bob, one 720 of Kent Treble Bob and five 720's of Plain Bob; each called differently.

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb. in A.

EDDIE COX .. .. Treble	MICHAEL S. HOLBROOK .. 4
PAUL G. HOLMES .. .. 2	GEOFFREY K. DODD .. .. 5
REGINALD W. REX .. .. 3	A. PATRICK CANNON .. Tenor

Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

First peal of Minor on the bells in more than one method.

## HANDBELL PEALS

### THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

MACCLESFIELD, Cheshire.—At 20, Tytherington Court.

On Wed., June 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

*DAVID ATKINSON .. .. 1—2	ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. 5—6
ALAN A. POTTS .. .. 3—4	JOHN WORTH .. .. 7—8

Composed by C. KENNETH LEWIS. Conducted by ROBERT B. SMITH.

\* First peal of Plain Bob Major, and first on eight handbells.

### THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ST. ALBANS, Hertfordshire.—At 17, Queen Street.

On Wed., May 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5016 PLAIN BOB MAXIMUS

Tenor size 14 in D.

GERALD PENNEY .. .. 1—2	MARTYN L. J. JORDAN .. 7—8
JULIA A. FELLOWS .. .. 3—4	†JOYCE DODDS .. .. 9—10
*GEOFFREY DODDS .. .. 5—6	MICHAEL D. FROST .. 11—12

Composed and Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.

\* First peal of Maximus 'in hand.' † First of Maximus. First on 12 as conductor.

### MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

HARROW, Middlesex.—At 170, Headstone Lane.

On Fri., June 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 18 methods, comprising 320 each of Bristol, Cambridge, Ealing, Eastcote, Elford, Leatherhead, Lindum, London, Rutland, Superlative, Uxbridge, Watford, Wembley and Yorkshire, and 160 each of Aldenham, Lincolnshire, Painswick and Pudsey: with 134 changes of method.

S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN .. 1—2	ROGER BALDWIN .. .. 5—6
*CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY .. 3—4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 7—8

Composed and Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

Umpire: DEREK E. SIBSON.

\* 100th peal of Surprise on handbells. This is the first peal to be rung in 18 Surprise Major methods on handbells. The umpire checked every lead-end throughout the peal.

Tenor size 15 in C.

### THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., May 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes.

At 105, Borrowash Road, Spondon, Derbyshire.

### A PEAL OF 5120 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 12 in F.

KEVIN BETESTA .. .. 1—2	DAVID WALKLATE .. .. 5—6
JACK BAILEY .. .. 3—4	WILLIAM ALLSOPP .. .. 7—8

Composed by ROGER BALDWIN. Conducted by DAVID WALKLATE.

First peal of Major 'in hand.'

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# QUARTER PEALS

## LONG LENGTH

**BENSON, OXON.**—On June 13th, 3,184 Plain Bob Major: C. Woodward 1, V. Fox 2, J. Godman 3, A. Ayres 4, R. Heyworth 5, A. Howes 6, F. Absalom 7, G. McIlhorne (cond.) 8. A peal attempt called round. Rung for the Benson Gift Day.

**ABERDARE, GLAM.**—On June 15th, 720 Plain Bob Minor: Maureen Kerley 1, George Kerley 2, Geoffrey Kerley 3, J. Clatworthy 4, Desmond Kerley 5, David Kerley (cond.) 6, L. Scott tenor. First in method as a whole team.

**ADWICK-LE-STREET, YORKS.**—On May 13th, 1,250 Plain Bob Minor: E. Dainwater 1, J. Whitham 2, L. E. Venables 3, H. Johnson 4, J. Loughton 5, R. A. Smith (first as cond.) 6. First quarter 3, 4 and 5. An 80th birthday compliment to Mr. F. Newsome.

**BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.**—On May 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Kathleen Fletcher 1, Gwendolyn Reeves 2, Dorothy Fletcher 3, L. A. Timms 4, S. M. Bailey (cond.) 5, D. Francis 6, A. Bridges 7, H. J. Wingrove 8. For Evensong.

**BILTON, WARWICKS.**—On June 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. W. J. Vann 1, W. E. Burnell 2, W. J. Vann (cond.) 3, L. A. Whewall 4, A. Campden 5, J. A. J. Loveday 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of the Rev. Arthur Rankine, curate at St. Mark's from 1956 to 1959, who died suddenly on June 4th, 1964.

**BINFIELD, BERKS.**—On June 10th, 1,320 Doubles (four methods): Rosemary Rich 1, W. H. J. Parker 2, F. G. Henbest 3, A. K. Street 4, S. G. Scott (cond.) 5, F. Tomlinson 6. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. F. Tomlinson, on their silver wedding anniversary.

**BOLSOVER, DERBYS.**—On May 3rd, 1,24 Plain Bob Major: B. Cooper 1, Jacqueline Stewart 2, D. Turner 3, R. Chambers 4, D. Birnes 5, H. Jackson 6, D. Cooper 7, A. Keller (cond.) 8. To celebrate the completion of 40 years in the ministry by the Vicar (the Rev. W. Speakman).

**BRANCEPETH, CO. DURHAM.**—On May 24th, 1,260 Minor (Kent T.H. and Plain Bob): Miss A. Durent 1, Miss C. Saville 2, B. Redgers 3, Miss G. Webb 4, P. Derby (first of Kent and Plain) 5, L. R. Pizzey (cond.) 6. Rung for the ordination as deacon of the Rev. C. J. Rees.

**CHALFONT ST. GILES, BUCKS.**—On June 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Edwards 1, M. S. E. G. Swift 2, P. R. Davies (first in method) 3, G. B. Thompson 4, E. G. Swift (cond.) 5, D. H. Cremin (first quarter) 6. A birthday compliment to tenor ringer.

**DARLINGTON, CO. DURHAM.**—At Holy Trinity Church, on June 12th, 1,260 Minor (Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob): Miss F. T. Dicken 1, B. Redgers 2, P. Newing 3, C. R. Pizzey 4, W. G. Wilson 5, D. Marshall (cond.) 6. After unsuccessful peal attempt.

**DITCHLING, SUSSEX.**—On Jan. 25th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: Stella G. Rice 1, Angela M. Wright 2, Frances P. Gilbert 3, J. R. Norris 4, D. P. Snowsall 5, I. N. Pett 6, R. I. Vaughan 7, B. G. North (cond.) 8. First quarter of Major 1, 3 and 5. A birthday compliment to the ringer of the third.

**DRONFIELD, DERBYS.**—On May 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: E. Walker 1, Catherine Bradley 2, Mrs. I. M. Holland 3, J. W. Sykes 4, D. Peers 5, I. M. Holland (cond.) 6.

**DURHAM.**—At St. Nicholas' Church on June 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Sallie Buchanan (St. Hild's) 1, B. Redgers (St. John's) 2, R. Flanagan (St. Cuthbert's) 3, D. Marshall (Bede) 4, L. Pizzey (St. John's) 5, P. Newing (cond., Cranner Hall) 6. Rung by D.U.S.C.R.

**FINCHLEY, MIDDLEX.**—On June 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss D. Rohabotham 1, B. Watson 2, F. Barker 3, G. Parsons (cond.) 4, A. Warren 5, C. Ward 6, L. Tubb 7, P. Taylor 8. Rung after the wedding as a compliment to June Irene Willis (the captain's daughter) and Mr. Robert Charles Hutchinson.

**FOLKESTONE, KENT.**—On May 25th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Janice C. Spunfens 1, Jane M. Hough 2, Rachel J. Sinden 3, Vivienne M. Dye 4, A. P. S. Berry (cond.) 5, J. Weard 6. A compliment to Rev. L. G. Tyack on his ordination as Priest.

**FORDINGBRIDGE, HANTS.**—On June 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: H. Juhkental 1, D. Wilson 2, P. King 3, W. Perrins 4, R. N. Marlow (cond.) 5, R. Storer 6. First quarter 1 and 6.

**GRANTHAM, Lincs.**—On June 2nd, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: D. Hopkinson 1, F. W. Pincbeck 2, G. Vinters 3, Mrs. H. Ketteringham 4, D. A. Frith (cond.) 5, J. R. Holmes 6, K. Ketteringham 7, H. L. Squires 8, H. R. Woods 9, V. P. Evans 10. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Dr. Shipman.

**HIGH HAM, SOMERSET.**—On May 26th, 1,250 Doubles (three methods): Miss J. Crocker 1, Mrs. L. Crocker 2, R. Parker 3, A. Calow 4, I. White (cond.) 5. A birthday greeting for the conductor.

**HODNET, SALOP.**—On May 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Mrs. H. Davidson (first quarter) 1, R. Morris 2, Miss M. Roden 3, Miss M. Cotton 4, F. Leech 5, P. Evans 6, G. Morrall (cond.) 7, E. Morrall 8. A farewell compliment to Mrs. H. Davidson.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On May 24th, 1,272 Bob Minimus: M. W. Harrison 1, J. Dowe 2, D. Barker 3, R. Blackshaw 4. For Evensong. Also on June 7th, 1,440 Treble Bob Minor (Oxford and Kent): J. Dowse (first of Treble Bob) 1, R. Larkin 2, R. Blackshaw and M. W. Harrison 3, J. Heaps 4, G. Dawson 5, C. Burrell (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**HORDLE, HANTS.**—On June 15th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. Sheppard 1, Judith A. Robertson 2, Christine Mould 3, E. G. Mould (first of Cambridge) 4, G. W. Elmes 5, R. G. W. Robertson (first of Surprise as cond.) 6. First of Surprise for 1, 3 and 5.

**LANCHESTER, CO. DURHAM.**—On May 3rd, 1,440 Plain Bob Double: J. Tonks 1, J. Thomson 2, Miss L. Moore 3, D. Appleton 4, A. Walker (first as cond.) 5, H. P. Thompson 6. Also on May 31st, 1,440 Doubles (three methods): J. Tonks 1, D. Appleton 2, Miss L. Moore (first in three methods) 3, A. Walker 4, H. P. Thompson (cond.) 5, R. S. Jackson 6. Also on June 7th, 1,440 Doubles (three methods): J. Tonks 1, J. Thomson (first in three methods) 2, Miss L. Moore 3, D. Appleton 4, H. P. Thompson (cond.) 5, A. Walker 6. All for Evensong.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes', on May 31st, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: D. T. C. Smith 1, D. W. Struckett 2, Miss R. M. Foreman 3, P. A. Brand 4, A. G. Tyers 5, J. C. Esel 6, T. J. Lock 7, F. T. Blagrove (cond.) 8, C. F. Neal (tenor covering).

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On June 14th, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): A. Nelson 1, Rachel Sinden 2, Myrtle Cook 3, Elizabeth Todd 4, R. P. Brotherton (cond.) 5, C. Kidd 6. For Evensong.

**PENDLEBURY, LANCs.**—On June 9th, 1,261 Grandsire Triples: D. Birmingham (first quarter) 1, J. Thornley 2, A. Lomas 3, H. Smethills 4, N. Tompkins (cond.) 5, P. Crook 6, C. Cooper 7, H. Stutard (first quarter) 8. A 70th birthday compliment to A. Lomas.

**PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA.**—At St. George's Cathedral, on Sept. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Ormerod 1, Marilyn Chambers 2, C. Carter 3, Jennifer Lees 4, B. Pettis (cond.) 5, H. Rossell (first quarter) 6. Also on Nov. 16th, 1,260 Doubles (St. Martin's, S. Simon's, Grandsire, O'd Bob, Plain Bob): H. Rossell 1, L. Reynolds 2, B. Lawes (cond.) 3, Jennifer Lees 4, B. Pettis 5, E. Warren 6. For the 75th anniversary of the consecration of the Cathedral in 1888. Also on Feb. 23rd, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob): Jacoba Hos (first quarter) 1, B. Lawes (cond.) 2, M. Page (first 'inside') 3, L. Reynolds 4, B. Pettis 5, H. Rossell 6.

**RANHAM, KENT.**—On June 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): Mrs. F. J. Chal 1, S. V. Rayfield 2, F. S. Meey 3, F. J. Chal 4, K. Young 5, Miss C. Major 6, D. Breakspere 7, R. G. Pearce 8. For the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. R. Beley.

**RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.**—On June 14th, 1,260 Spliced Triples (two methods): P. Perkins 1, D. Belcham 2, T. Jones 3, F. May 4, E. Blower 5, M. Hallett 6, A. House 7, W. Ward 8. For Evensong.

**ROTHERHAM, YORKS.**—On June 7th, 1,260 Siedman Triples: Mrs. E. Chaddock 1, Tessa Hollis (first of Siedman) 2, J. Bruce 3, Mrs. M. Burns 4, W. Nichols 5, G. S. Lee 6, N. Chaddock (cond.) 7, J. N. D. Chaddock 8. For morning Eucharist.

**SHALFORD, SURREY.**—On May 7th, 1,250 Grandsire Doubles: Sheila V. Rooke 1, Jean D. Ward 2, L. C. W. Hunter (cond.) 3, J. Horsman 4, A. E. Hunter 5, A. G. J. Rooke 6. For Ascension Day.

**SHROTON, DORSET.**—On June 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: W. C. Shute 1, A. E. Woods 2, Miss M. Lush (first quarter) 3, F. Hilliar 4, E. Chari 5, E. H. Amey (cond.) 6.

**SLOUGH, BUCKS.**—On June 7th, 1,248 Lincolnshire Surprise Major: A. D. Rivers 1, Pamela M. Jervis 2, D. P. Hilling (cond.) 3, Elizabeth T. Birmingham 4, T. G. Pett 5, G. R. Shedden 6, W. D. Ward 7, W. Birmingham 8. First in the method 4, 5 and 6.

**SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.**—On June 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: June E. Wood 1, B. G. Warwick (cond.) 2, Mrs. B. G. Warwick 3, A. R. Mildred 4, R. K. Stretton 5, K. H. Mildred 6, M. G. Wood 7, D. W. Stenson 8. For Evensong.

**STANDISH, LANCs.**—On June 13th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss B. Yapp 1, J. W. Horner 2, A. Morgan 3, F. Bentham 4, E. Cook 5, K. Derbyshire (first quarter) 6, H. Grounds 7, P. Coxall (cond.) 8. To celebrate the birth of a son to the wife of the 7th ringer (a godson to the 5th ringer).

**STRATTON, CORNWALL.**—On June 14th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: C. Sangwin 1, M. S. M. A. Boul 2, Miss B. M. Boyle 3, E. Nunn 4, M. Sinden 5, D. E. Wheeler 6, D. R. Boul 7, H. Stacey (cond.) 8. A birthday compliment to ringer of 6th.

**STROUD, GLOS.**—At the Parish Church on June 7th, 1,278 Grandsire Caters: F. Garland 1, W. Jones 2, F. Pouting 3, T. Pritchard 4, J. Cotterill 5, T. Price 6, H. Barratt 7, Vivian Deane 8, T. Wits (cond.) 9, R. Nicholas 10. For Evensong.

**WALPOLE ST. PETER, NORFOLK.**—On June 10th, 1,260 Minor (Kent, Plain Bob): R. Reed 1, J. Fox 2, W. Cousins 3, F. Wismore (cond.) 4, R. Newton 5, C. Cousins 6. For the Floral Festival.

**WARBLETON, SUSSEX.**—On May 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. D. Pope 1, Sybil Torkin 2, Rosemary Earl 3, J. Hill 4, G. Becey (cond.) 5, C. Pope 6. Rung for the ordination at Caichester Cathedral of Mr. Tony Pannett.

**WARSOP, NOTTS.**—On June 14th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: R. Spencer (first of Minor) 1, Catherine Rooke (first as cond.) 2, G. Chafans 3, R. Lucas 4, F. Cooke 5, H. T. Rooke 6. For Evensong.

**WASHINGTON, SUSSEX.**—On Feb. 15th, 1,440 Grandsire Minor: D. P. Snowsall 1, Catherine M. Powell 2, Angela M. Wright 3, J. R. Norris 4, M. J. Bew 5, B. G. North (cond.) 6. First of Grandsire Minor for all the hind.

**WEST BRIDGFORD, NOTTS.**—On May 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Penny Miller 1, R. Blacker (cond.) 2, J. W. D. Miller 3, W. L. Ratcliffe 4, P. K. Else 5, G. Butler 6. For Evensong and for Alan G. Taylor, ordained priest this day. Also on May 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Penny Miller 1, R. Blacker 2, Juliet Stamper 3, W. L. Ratcliffe 4, P. K. Else 5, J. W. D. Miller (first as cond.) 6. First of Minor 1, 3 and 6. For Evensong and consecration of new communion rails and reredos in memory of Canon R. F. Wilkinson.

**WHICKHAM, CO. DURHAM.**—On May 10th, 1,259 Plain Bob Minor: S. Thompson, Jr. 1, W. Davidson 2, S. Thompson 3, J. Crowther 4, W. A. Thow 5, M. Maughan (cond.) 6. Also on May 24th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): S. Thompson, Jr. 1, J. Crowther 2, S. Thompson 3, F. Ross 4, M. Maughan (cond.) 5. Both for Evensong.

**WHITTEBURY, NORTHANTS.**—On May 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. Linell 1, Margaret A. Wilson 2, C. E. Truman (cond.) 3, D. Burbridge 4, J. Linnell 5. For Evensong. Also on June 13th, 1,260 Grandsire: G. Linell 1, D. Burbridge 2, J. Linnell 3, J. Linnell 4, C. E. Truman (cond.) 5. For the wedding of Mary Bennett and Keith Palmer.

**WIMBORNE MINSTER, DORSET.**—On June 13th, 1,296 Plain Bob Caters: M. J. Young 1, Christine Mould 2, Judith A. Robertson 3, G. W. Emes 4, E. G. Mould 5, J. W. Blackwood 6, G. C. Grant 7, R. Sheppard 8, R. G. W. Robertson (first of Caters as cond.) 9, M. Jenkins 10. First of Cater, by 1, 4, 6, 7, 8 and 10. First of Plain Bob Caters by 8.

**WINGERWORTH, DERBYS.**—On June 6th, 1,261 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): L. Parker (Pleasley) 1, J. W. Price (Clay Cross) 2, A. Smithson (Blackwell) 3, W. Swain (Morton) 4, W. Riley (Blackwell) 5. For the dedication of the extension of the Parish Church.

**WITHYCOMBE, RALEIGH, DEVON.**—On June 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): Valerie Tanton 1, Christine Turner 2, N. Shepherd 3, F. D. Mack (cond.) 4, Jane Hurrell 5, F. Bastin 6, H. Crisp 7, A. Knight 8. For Evensong.

**WONERSH, SURREY.**—On June 10th, 1,280 London Surprise Major: Jessie Kippin 1, Rhoda Housden 2, Pamela Gough 3, Patricia Laycock 4, Elizabeth Stevenson 5, F. W. Housden 6, R. C. Kippin 7, C. H. Kippin (cond.) 8.

**WORKINGTON, CUMB.**—On June 14th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: M. Burns (first on eight) 1, J. D. Umpleby 2, Mrs. L. Bounphrey 3, A. J. Dunn 4, H. Byrom 5, E. Bounphrey 6, R. W. D. Wetenhall 7, L. Bounphrey (cond.) 8. Rung in honour of the Confirmation and first Communion of over 60 candidates, including three local young ringers.

**YORK.**—At Heworth Croft on June 7th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: I. Johnson 1—2, R. Aldington 3—4, M. King (cond.) 5—6. For open day.



## NOTICES

### Scale Of Charges

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### ENGAGEMENT

ROGERS—PORTER.—The engagement is announced between Robin, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Rogers, Grafton Regis, Northants, and Janet, only daughter of Mrs. and the late Mr. E. R. Porter, of Sutton-on-Hull, Yorkshire. 4887

### PERSONAL

'And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation.' (Acts xvii, 26.)

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### RINGERS' DIARY. 1965.

Will Association and Guild officers please forward to me without delay the usual lists of officers, accompanied by dates of A.G.M.s, dinners, etc., for free insertion in the 1965 Diary, copy for which is now being prepared for press.—W. H. Viggers, 37, Highfield Gardens, Aldershot. 4895

### MISCELLANEOUS

LICHFIELD CATHEDRAL.—The Monday evening practice on June 29th next will end at 8.30 p.m. Visitors welcome Sundays, 9.45-10.30 a.m. and 2.45-3.25 p.m., and on Monday evenings, 7.15-9 p.m. 4857

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Members, please note, July meeting at Godstone is cancelled. Mersham and Betchworth dates are transposed. Practice meeting at Leigh, July 3rd, 7.30 a.m.—G. A. W. 4904

YATESBURY bellringers would like to thank all R.A.F. friends who gave so generously to the bell fund. The third bell is now rehung and will be dedicated on Sunday, July 12th at 6 p.m. All ringers are welcome. 4815

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### MEETINGS

CHESTER GUILD.—Stokport Branch.—Meeting at Mottram June 27th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. For tea advise Mr. T. M. Gee, Springfield, Mottram Road, Hattersley, Hyde (phone Mottram 2194)—C. K. Lewis. 4912

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Warwick Archdeaconry District.—Special meeting, Saturday, June 27th, at Long Compton, in connection with church fête. Names for tea to Rev. Rainsbury, The Vicarage, Long Compton. Bells from 3 p.m.—P. Bennett Sec. 4889

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Southern Branch.—Evening practice meeting at Attleborough, Saturday, June 27th. Bells (6) 6.30 to 9 p.m.—C. F. W. Philippo, Hon. Sec. 4883

SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY. Fet. 1623.—The 341st anniversary of Great Ringing Day will be held on Saturday, June 27th. Bells (12) available 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Twelve bell ringing guaranteed. Service at noon. Lunch 4s. 6d. and tea 2s. for those who notify me.—I. E. Pittow, 4, Highfields, Phone 2074. 4881

### BACK NUMBERS

'The Ringing World' has received a very generous gift of back numbers dating from 1919 to 1959. While some are brown with the passing of years, the majority are clean and serviceable. We propose to offer these to readers who want to complete their files. The charge will be 8d. per copy post free.

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—An evening meeting will be held at Ruyton-XI-Towns on June 27th. Bells available 6.30 to 8.30 p.m. 4893

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Newark District.—Meeting at Harby, Saturday, June 27th. (Please note date.) Bells 3 o'clock. Cups of tea provided in Harby Vicarage at 5 p.m. South Scarle bells available in the evening.—B. N. Reed. 4866

### Notice of Meeting WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD

The annual general meeting will be held on Saturday, June 27th, at Basingstoke. Meeting 2.30 p.m. in St. Michael's Church Cottage. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Chesterman, Leacroft, Sherborne St. John, Basingstoke.

Ringling arrangements:  
Route 1.—Whitchurch, 9.15—10 a.m.: Overton 9.45—10.30 a.m.; Deane 10.15—11 a.m.; Oakley 11—11.45 a.m.; Wootton St. Lawrence, 11.30 a.m.—12.15 p.m.; Basingstoke (All Saints), 9.12.15—1 p.m.

Route 2.—Kingsclere, 9.15—10 a.m.; Wolverton, 9.45—10.30 a.m.; Baughurst, 10.15—10.45 a.m.; Bramley, 10.30—11.15 a.m.; Sherborne St. John, 11.15—12 noon; Basingstoke (All Saints) 12.15 p.m.

After tea—Basingstoke (St. Michael's and All Saints) until 8.30 p.m.; Laverstoke, Sherborne St. John, 7.30—8.15 p.m.; Wolverton, 7.30—8.30 p.m.

R. Roger Savory—Hon. Gen. Sec.

ST. HELEN'S, DARLEY DALE.—Ringers' Sunday, June 28th. Ringing at 10 a.m., 5.45 p.m. and after Evensong. Ringers' service at 6.30 p.m. All visiting ringers very welcome. 4890

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Quarterly general meeting at Fairfield, Saturday, July 4th. Service, Fairfield, 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Bells available: Swanwick (6), 9.15-10.15 a.m.; Ashover (8), 10.45-11.45 a.m.; Sheen (6), 2-3 and 7-8 p.m.; Burbage (6), 2.30-4 and after meeting; Fairfield (8), 3.30-4.30 and after meeting; also Darley Dale (8), 8-9 p.m. Route 2, leave Chesterfield 1 p.m., Eyam (6), 1.45-2.30, Tideswell (8), 3-3.45 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. E. Ellison, 70, King's Road, Fairfield, Buxton.—B. P. Morris, Sec. 4879

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Striking competition final at Gosfield, July 4th, start 2.30 p.m. prompt. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss H. Snowden, Cherry Cottage, Gosfield, before July 1st.—H. Turner, Deputy Master.

ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD.—Meeting at Marsden Parish Church on Saturday, July 4th. Bells (10) from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. Roy Shaw, 4, Lane Ings, Marsden. 4888

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Sampford Arundel, near Wellington, Saturday, July 4th. Fete in aid of Church Funds. Bells (6) open 6-9 p.m. 4909

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Bridgwater Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Middlezoy, Saturday, July 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. Names for tea, please to K. Prime, 17, High Street, Ashcott, near Bridgwater. 4900

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Quarterly meeting at Nuneaton on Saturday, July 4th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Names for tea by Wednesday, July 1st, to Mr. W. Beebe, 80, Wheat Street, Nuneaton. 4891

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Meeting, Fordham, Saturday, July 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Special methods: Double Oxford and York Surprise. 4914

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Quarterly meeting, Knebworth, July 4th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Own tea arrangements.—E. Buck, Dis. Sec. 4901

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Watford District.—Meeting at Elstree on July 4th. Caution, this meeting might be changed.—A. Fensome, Dis. Sec.

### CHURCH OF ST. REMIGIUS, HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

GRAND RINGING DAY  
Saturday, July 4th, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.  
To celebrate 60 years an octave, also 25 years of the recast ring.  
Holy Communion, 9.30 a.m.  
Buffet Lunch, 12 noon-1.30 p.m.  
Evensong, 4.15 p.m.  
Tea, 5.15 p.m. (Names for tea by Tuesday, June 30th, essential)  
ALL RINGERS WELCOME.  
R. G. Lofty, 7, Little Melton Road, Hethersett, Norwich, Nor. 42X.

### KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—

Ringers' Rally on Saturday, July 4th, 1964, centred on Maidstone. Service, tea and no business. Ringing in 16 towers. Please send 3s. 6d. and s.a.e. for tea ticket and programme by first post, July 1st, to Mr. T. A. Cross, 46, Anglesey Avenue, Maidstone.—P. A. Corby, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4853

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—Meeting at Slaidburn on July 4th. Bus from Clitheroe, 3.15, return from Slaidburn, 6 p.m. No tea arrangements.—J. Pilkington. 4903

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.—Monthly meeting at Christ Church, Aughton, on Saturday, July 4th. Bells (8) at 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to D. R. Jones, 226, Prescott Road, Aughton. All visitors welcomed. 4894

MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD and LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Loughborough District).—Joint meeting at Ashby-de-la-Zouch on July 4th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea in Parish Room 5 p.m. 4873

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guilborough Branch.—Meeting Marston Trussell, Saturday, July 4th. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to J. E. Goddard, 45, Station Road, Long Buckby, Rugby. 4902

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Oundle Branch.—Meeting on Saturday, July 4th. Bulwick. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Deene. Tea at the Sea Horse, 4.45 p.m. Meeting in tower afterwards. Names for tea by Tuesday, June 30th, to Hinton, Police Station, Warmington. 4898

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.—Quarterly meeting at Coleshill, July 4th. Bells (8) available 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Please notify for tea.—G. E. Fearn, 92, Etwell Road, Hall Green, Birmingham 28. Phone SPR 1025. 4824

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Dorchester Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Wool on Saturday, July 4th. Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea, followed by meeting, 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, July 1st, to Mr. L. G. N. Williams, 47, Spring Street, Wool, Wareham, Dorset.—R. H. Duke, Hon. Sec. 4865

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Quarterly meeting, Urchfont (8), Saturday, July 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business. Names for tea to A. Knight, 6, Southick Road, North Bradley, Trowbridge. 4695

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bingham and Nottingham Districts.—Joint meeting at Cotgrave, July 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to W. L. Exton, 'St. Owen's', Wharton.—R. Blackshaw. 4896



**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—Practice meeting at Fletching (not Ardingly). Saturday, July 4th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Picnic tea.—Mrs. E. L. Hairs, Hon. Div. Sec. 4892

#### GNOSALL, STAFFS.

Ringers' Service, Sunday, July 5th, 6.30 p.m. Bells 5.30 p.m. After the service the St. Lawrence's junior handbell ringers will play a selection of items in the School Room. All welcome. 4915

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.W. District.—Quarterly meeting at Bentley Common, July 11th. Bells (5) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Shenfield (6) available from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss B. Fisher, 49. Hatch Road, Brentwood. 4899

**GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.**—N.E. Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Kentisbeare (6) on Saturday, July 11th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and business meeting after. Names for tea to G. W. Hollis, Roseneath, The Avenue, Tiverton, by Wednesday previous. 4910

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—Quarterly meeting at Hoo on July 11th (please note change of date). Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify Mrs. A. Vidgeon, Whitehouse Farm, Hoo, Rochester, by previous Saturday. —L. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec. 4907

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Annual general meeting, Macclesfield, July 11th. Committee meeting 1 p.m. (Parish Rooms). Service 3.30. St. Michael's. Tea 4.30, followed by meeting. Names for tea, please, with cash (4s. 6d. each) to Mrs. H. L. Horn, 13, Cherington Crescent, Macclesfield, by Monday, July 6th. No name no tea. Towers available: 10-11 a.m., Bollington. Congleton: 10.30-11.30. Gaws-worth: 11 a.m.-noon. Prestbury: 10.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m., Nether Alderley, Sutton, Chelford: 1.30-3.15. St. Peter's, Christ Church: 6. St. Michael's, Christ Church, St. Peter's: 7 p.m., Bollington, Prestbury, Gawsorth, Congleton, Chelsford, Sutton. 4869

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Quarterly meeting, Market Harborough District, July 11th. Ringing: Foxton (6). Lubenham (5). Oxendon (5). Great Bowden (6). 3-4 p.m.: Market Harborough (8). 3-4.10 and evening. Service, Market Harborough, 4.15 p.m. Tea and meeting in Old Grammar School. Names to Mr. R. Binley, 32a, Coventry Road, Market Harborough, Leics, by July 8th.—B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen. Sec.

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.**—Monmouth Branch.—Meeting at Bassaleg, July 11th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea as soon as possible, please.—King, The Cedar Tiles, High Beech Lane, Chepstow. 4908

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Davenport Branch.—Meeting, Braunston, Saturday, July 11th. Important. Names for tea to Mr. S. Berry, High Street, Braunston, by Tuesday previous.—F. W. Hancock. 4906

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Quarterly meeting at Wimbledon, Saturday, July 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by meeting and tea. Evening ringing at West Hill (Wandsworth). Names for tea by previous Wednesday to A. Bagworth, 37, Cliveden Road, S.W.19.—B. Bull, Asst. Sec.

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southampton District.—Quarterly meeting at East Tytherley on Saturday, July 11th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting follows. Names for tea by July 8th to Mr. J. Sparkes, Queenwood Avenue, Broughton, Stockbridge.—M. J. Thomas, Dis. Sec. 4905

#### LATE NOTICES

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Farnham District.—Advanced practice at Worplesdon on June 25th, from 7.30 to 9 p.m. 4918

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Farnham District.—Combined practice at Bentley (6) on July 4th, from 6 to 9 p.m.—D. P. Elsmore, Hon. Sec. 4919

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern Branch.—Meeting, Rippingale, Saturday, July 11th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Names for tea to Mr. W. Marsh, 163, Station Street, Rippingale, Bourne, Lincs, by Monday, July 6th.—F. G. Vickers, Hon. Sec. 4916

#### OUR AMERICAN SUPPLEMENT

The Editor thanks those who have sent appreciative letters in connection with Mr. G. W. Pipe's graphic story and photographs of the Washington visit.

Copies of the issue of June 12th are still available at the usual price.

#### BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

##### Biggleswade District

Despite the threat of thunderstorms there was a good attendance at the meeting of the Biggleswade District at St. Swithin's, Sandy, on June 13th, when Mr. D. Saunderson was ringing master. Ringing continued throughout the afternoon on the 12 cwt. six and the methods rung included Hereward Bob.

Mr. P. Rogers played the organ at a short service, conducted by the Rector, the Rev. D. B. Warren. At the business meeting, which followed tea, 22 ringers were present. The president, Mr. A. E. Rushton, took the chair and three new members were elected. The venues for the next three meetings were chosen, and a request was made to members to pay their subscriptions as quickly as possible. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Rector and those who had prepared tea.

Ringing during the evening ranged from rounds to London and Norwich; the standard of striking was generally better than usual.

Next meeting: July 11th, Henlow.

A. R. A.

#### NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

Tradition was broken at Caston on May 30th, when the Western Branch held its business meeting in the churchyard owing to the summery weather. The chair was taken by Rev. G. Galley, and after the minutes of the last meeting were read some discussion took place about the desirability of holding a monthly practice meeting. It was decided to do so and the first of these meetings will be held at Necton on June 17th and the second at Fakenham on July 15th.

The service, which preceded the business meeting, was conducted by Canon King.

The chairman expressed thanks to Mrs. Hall who entertained us to tea and all the ladies who helped. Evening ringing was at Griston (5) as well as Caston. J. C.

#### Gratefully Acknowledged

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#### MR. GEORGE E. THODAY'S 250 PEALS

Rung in 36 counties for 23 Associations and Guilds in 152 different towers, with 368 different ringers, on 214 different bells.

Maximus.—Cambridge Surprise 2.

Royal.—Surprise: London 1, Yorkshire 2, Cambridge 4 (conducted 1); Plain Bob 2, Total 9 (1).

Major.—Surprise: Yorkshire 26, Cambridge 15, Lincolnshire 8, Superlative 7, Rutland 8, Pudsey 8, Bristol 4, London 4, Painswick 3, Trumpington 2, New Cambridge 2, Quedgeley 2, and one each of Alloo, Aldenham, Broadwater, Bottesford, Fordham, Biddenden, Braunstone, Carlton, Fordcombe, Gainsborough, Hendon, Ivinghoe, Lindum, Godmanchester, Hinton, Johannesburg, Monaghan, Nailstone, Runnymede, Vancouver, Ospringe, Truro, Southwell, Wye, 2 spliced 1, 4 spliced 2; Plain: Double Norwich 7, Little Bob 1, Plain Bob 6, Kent Treble Bob 2, Total 132 (29).

Triples.—Stedman 1, Plain Bob 1, Total 2; Minor.—Surprise: Cambridge 13, Norwich 3, London 2, Ipswich 2, one each of Bourne, Bramborough, Netherseale, Beverley, Lightfoot, Surfleet, 2-7 methods 20, one each of 8, 12, 15, 17, 18, 23 spliced: Plain: Plain Bob 16, Shelford Delight 1, 2-7 methods 20, Total 89 (33).

Doubles.—Grandsire 2, Plain Bob 4, 2-9 methods 8, Total 14 (3); Grand total 250 (conducted 66).

#### Only One Survivor After 50 Years

Fifty years ago the Central Council visited Winchester and on the Whit Monday a peal of Stedman Caters was rung on the Cathedral bells by the following band:

Harry Argyle treble, Rev. A. T. Beeston 2, J. Armiger Trollope 3, William Bibby 4, Frank Hoppod 5, Rev. H. Law James (composer and conductor) 6, William W. Gifford 7, Charles H. Russell 8, Harry Chapman 9, George Noice tenor. There was a single at every course end.

The tenor ringer is believed to be the only survivor. There were 60 members present representing 28 societies.

#### QUARTER PEALS

**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—On June 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Wendy C. Wallace (first quarter) 1, C. H. Macve 2, Carol Cousins 3, Margaret C. Godfrey 4, E. G. H. Godfrey (cond.) 5, A. M. Macve 6.

**AMERSHAM, BUCKS.**—On May 23rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: N. Cox 1, F. Proctor 2, S. Lilley 3, B. Edwards 4, R. Snack 5, T. Fortin (first as cond.) 6. Also on May 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Dubarry 1, Anne Dubarry 2, S. Lilley 3, B. Edwards 4, R. Snack (cond.) 5, N. Cox 6. For Evensong.

**EALING, LONDON.**—On June 7th, at St. Mary's, 1,260 Stedman Triples: F. Goodfellow 1, M. Sprackling 2, A. M. Stacey 3, M. P. Thomas 4, P. N. Felton 5, F. D. Bishop 6, H. W. Rogers 7, N. Felton 8.

**LLANBADARN-FAWR, CARDS.**—On June 14th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob): Miss D. M. Bird (first quarter) 1, Miss K. S. Maylott 2, Miss G. E. Grancy 3, Miss C. M. Hiscock 4, C. A. Lewis (cond.) 5, H. L. Hatfield 6. For Evensong.

**NEWCHURCH, LANCS.**—On May 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. D. Mitchell 1, Mrs. A. S. Mason 2, B. S. Neale 3, S. V. Wilson (first quarter) 4, R. E. Cockaday 5, S. G. Osborne (cond.) 6. For Confirmation service.

**PERRY BARR, BIRMINGHAM.**—On June 7th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: R. J. Tibbetts 1, A. S. Burbage 2, W. J. V. Conductor 3, D. Vokes 4, M. G. Ingram 5, C. A. S. Webb 6, D. J. Purnell 7, P. Border (cond.) 8.

**WHICKHAM, CO. DURHAM.**—On May 25th, 1,260 Doubles (ten methods): S. Thompson 1, F. Ross 2, M. Maughan (cond.) 3, J. Crowther 4, W. Davidson 5. First in ten Doubles methods for all. Also on June 1st, 1,260 Minor (St. Clement's and Plain Bob): W. A. Thow 1, W. Davidson 2, S. Thompson 3, F. Ross 4, J. Crowther 5, M. Maughan (cond.) 6.



## COMPOSITIONS

## 5,120 HOUNSLOW SURPRISE MAJOR

By A. KNIGHTS  
23456 B M W H

52436			3	
64235				
23645				
34256	X			
42356				

54326			3	
46325			2	
36524			3	
36245	X			
26543				
42635	X		2	
23456	X			

Rung at Willesden, April 16th, 1964.

## 5,056 KINGSWAY SURPRISE MAJOR

By C. W. ROBERTS  
23456 M B W H

52436	3			
52364		X		
23564	3		3	2
64235		X	2	3
36245	3			
52643				
45623				
35426		X		3
23456				

Rung at Willesden, April 30th, 1964.

ROUGHAM, SUFFOLK.—On Easter Sunday, 1.440  
Cambridge and Ipswich Surprise; Miss J. E. Wright  
1, L. Wright 2, H. Rose 3, L. Nice 4, E. Nice 5,  
M. Rose (cond.) 6. For morning service.

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## RIGHT-PLACE SURPRISE MAJOR METHODS INCIDENCE OF FALSENESS

Reviewed by Maurice Hodgson

**I**N a sense, the collection of Right-Place Surprise Major Methods, published by A. S. Hudson and J. W. McClenahan in October, 1963, and quickly sold out, was complete in itself. However, it left to the user all the labour of working out the falseness of the methods.

This task is not unduly onerous for a single method, but a decision to ring a new method usually involves selecting the best from several differing so slightly that when one has been chosen the rest will be discarded. One factor governing the suitability of a method is the quality of peal compositions that can be produced for it which, in turn, depends on its false course heads and their incidence. Foreknowledge of the amount of falseness would enable unsatisfactory methods to be rejected early in the search. Moreover, when falseness has been derived by one person or by one procedure, an independent verification is a comfort, especially when performed by an untiring computer.

There is a school of thought which deprecates publication of the false course heads of methods on the grounds that false peals may be rung if the information is misused. This objection hardly applies when complete data is quoted, but to do this for more than 5,000 methods in a book of practicable size and price presents a formidable problem since some of the methods have more than 40 items of falseness. It is greatly to the credit of Hudson and McClenahan, joined in this project by H. E. Bishop, that they have condensed the essential data on each method into one line of typing which can be readily expanded into the full list of falseness by means of simple tables.

If this were all they had done, they would still have produced a worthwhile companion to the Collection. But the work goes further than was necessary to fulfil its main purpose and includes, in effect, a ready reckoner for obtaining the falseness of any Major method on the treble-bob principle. Another section, contributed by Mr. Hadley Hunter, extends the system to spliced methods, and is presumably the first published exposition of inter-method falseness in the Surprise Major field.

The authors have used throughout the algebraic treatment introduced by the present writer. Of the various extant half-lead systems of proof, this treatment is best suited to computation and to a concise notation. When performed without external aids, the procedure entails three manipulations of rows—two transpositions and a

substitution-type permutation. The Table of Ratios eliminates the second transposition and the permutation, thereby reducing the manipulations and the risk of errors by two-thirds.

Two obstacles are encountered when attempting to abbreviate the data on falseness by quoting only one course head. The difficulties arise in those groups of false course heads which contain more than one set, where it is consequently necessary to indicate the relationship between the incidence parameters of the different sets. This can be done by providing tables of modifiers, but since any course head in a group may be the first to be derived, as many as eight lists of modifiers would be necessary in some groups to enable the full list of falseness to be correctly transcribed. In addition, the values of the modifiers depend on whether the falseness is due to like or unlike rows, which doubles the number required.

The authors have overcome the first difficulty by arranging that the typical false course heads quoted in the Main Table of method falseness and in the Table of Ratios are always members of the same set in a group; modifiers based on the remaining sets are then unnecessary.

They have overcome the second difficulty by a subtle adjustment of the basic falseness formulae. Thus, they use parameters  $x$  and  $y$  which are related to  $m$  and  $n$  in that  $y=m$  for like rows, but  $y=-m$  for unlike rows, with  $x=n$  in both cases. By this alteration, masterly in its simplicity, the values of the modifiers are not affected by the nature of the rows, and a second version is not required.

There is little to complain about in the volume, although it seems incongruous that a mathematically-based treatment should perpetuate the archaic term 'in-course' instead of using the natural and descriptive term 'even.' Also, a little more explanation of 'modulo 7' would have helped potential users who are unaware that adding a positive number to negative one involves subtraction. The main defect is that the printing leaves something to be desired: incidence parameters are occasionally indecipherable, though they can be restored if needed by using the Table of Ratios. In view of these misprints, an explicit indication of clean proof scale would have been psychologically better than a blank opposite a method number, which raises an uneasy suspicion that the computer or the duplicator might have forgotten to deal with that method.

The trivial shortcomings do not detract from the value of the book, which is a welcome contribution to the technical literature of the art. (Price 12s. 6d. post free, from A. S. Hudson, Clare College, Cambridge.)



## A.N.Z.A.B. COUNCIL MEETING IN HOBART

THE third, and best yet, Council Meeting of the Australian and New Zealand Association was held in Hobart, Tasmania, on the Queen's birthday weekend, June 13th-15th. It was preceded by some peal ringing the previous week when a band of four Sydney ringers, three Adelaide ringers and one from Melbourne, met in Hobart on Sunday, June 7th. On that afternoon a peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major on the delightful Taylor eight at St. David's Cathedral, came to a halt after 4,820 changes because of a miscalculation in timing resulting in over-running an Evensong in the church below. The consequent disappointment was largely banished the next afternoon by the success of a 5,200 of Plain Bob Major, conducted by Tom Goodyer, on the 118-year-old eight at Holy Trinity and the promise of another chance to go for the Double Norwich again the following Monday. On that occasion there were no interruptions and Tom called his second peal of the week.

On the holiday weekend, June 13th-15th, a large gathering of inter-State visitors descended on Hobart from the skies till by the middle of Saturday afternoon the Tasmanians had on their hands 28 visiting ringers, together with wives and families. Eighteen came from Melbourne, representing St. Paul's Cathedral and City Hall and St. Peter's, Ballarat; six from Sydney representing St. Mary's Basilica and St. Jude's, Randwick; and four from Adelaide, representing St. Peter's Cathedral and St. Andrew's, Walkerville. The influx ought to have reached its peak five hours earlier but fog at the Melbourne airport and engine trouble delayed the arrival of the contingent from Victoria.

### A NEW PRESIDENT

Fifty-five persons sat down to an enjoyable dinner on the Saturday evening at 'Carolside', an old house in the suburbs, and these festivities preceded the actual Council meeting. Tom Goodyer did not stand for re-election to the presidency and Enid Roberts was elected the third president of A.N.Z.A.B. with acclamation. The other officers were re-elected for another year—Graeme Heyes as secretary, with Anne Cowling as his assistant; Ken Minchinton as treasurer; Bill Pitcher as peal secretary and editor of 'Ringing Towers'. The treasurer's report revealed a considerable accumulation of funds and with no foreseeable heavy ex-

penditure it was decided to reduce subscriptions by half. Bill Pitcher reported that 'Ringing Towers' had made a slight profit and the circulation had risen to 186 copies per issue. He paid a tribute to the help he had received from David Bleby and other co-opted assistants.

Other matters raised included consideration of designs submitted for a badge, deciding on Melbourne for the 1965 Council meeting and discussing the possibility of New Zealand for the 1966 meeting. A discussion about Great Adventure II took place and Bill Pitcher reported on a revised proposed itinerary which is to be passed on immediately to Tom Lock for comment.

### EXTENDING REPERTOIRES

The whole weekend showed again what a beneficial 'shot in the arm' these gatherings are to Australian ringing. Apart from forming new friendships and renewing old ones and talking as only bellringers can, everyone made progress, ringing new methods and generally extending their repertoire. The learners received advice and encouragement from the more experienced ringers who in their turn stood to the ropes to try something new. For them one of the satisfactions of the meeting was that apart from ringing in bob courses of London Minor and Cambridge Major, at least ten ringers took part in the six or seven courses of Superlative Surprise Major that were rung, five of them ringing the method for the first time.

We were reminded that the Exercise is not without its dangers when at St. David's Cathedral a stay was broken and Ethel Lloyd, a Ballarat ringer, was carried into the air and sustained a chipped elbow bone as well as being badly shaken when she fell to the floor. Apart from this unfortunate accident it was a highly enjoyable weekend and wound up on the Monday with the success of the peal of Double Norwich at St. David's and the adjournment to the Waterworks Reserve for what seems to be becoming the traditional barbecue, where in an attractive woodland setting with the sound of handbells coming from the scrub the Hobart ringers reminded us once again, as had been evident throughout, that they were the best possible hosts, untiring in their attention to their guests and providing almost unlimited time on the bells as well as very good weather. To them the Association owes a great debt of thanks. W. B. P.

## BATH & WELLS ASSOCIATION

### Frome Branch

Over 30 ringers met at Farnborough on Sunday, June 7th, for the annual Corporate Communion service of the Frome Branch. Ringing started at 7.15 a.m. and continued until the service, at 8 a.m., the Rector of Farnborough, the Rev. D. E. F. Marshall, being the celebrant. After the service an excellent breakfast in the Vicarage was enjoyed by all, their appreciation to the hostess and her helpers being expressed in the normal way, after Mr. G. W. Massey had proposed a vote of thanks to all concerned, for making it such a successful morning. Ringing then continued until approximately 10 a.m.

D. T. H. R.

### New Rate for Postal Subscribers

In accordance with the announcement made at the Central Council meeting at Truro a new rate will operate for postal subscribers renewing their subscriptions or enrolling as new members as from July 3rd. The increase is equivalent to 2s. per annum, and the new rates will be: 3 months 10s.; 6 months 19s.; 12 months £1 17s. Substantial reductions are allowed for subsequent copies.

## HILLINGDON CELEBRATIONS

The culmination of 4½ years' work in the raising of £11,000 in the parish of St. John the Baptist, Hillingdon, Middlesex, was celebrated, approximately enough, on St. John the Baptist Day, June 24th. This sum covered the cost of refacing the stonework on the tower, and the building of new vestries on the north side of the chancel. The dedication and hallowing of the work was performed by the Bishop of Kensington, the Right Rev. R. C. O. Goodchild, at a service of thanksgiving in the evening, attended by a large congregation including the Mayor and Uxbridge Borough Council.

During his address, the Bishop referred to the sorrow they all felt at the absence of the Vicar, Rev. F. C. Tyler, who had sponsored this great parochial achievement but was unable to be present to witness the dedication. Mr. Tyler has been in hospital for some weeks following an eye operation for a detached retina. He returned home, hoping to be present at the service, but was forced to re-enter hospital two days beforehand.

The bells, of course, played their part in this momentous day for the parish. Preceding the service, 1,259 Grandsire Caters was rung in good style by T. G. Bannister 1, Mrs. A. R. Turley 2, F. W. Goodfellow (conductor) 3, A. R. G. Twinn 4, A. M. Stacey 5, M. Hatchett 6, M. W. Seymour 7, M. J. Palmer 8, F. C. Price 9, W. H. Coles 10.

The new St. George's flag, given to celebrate the reaching of an aggregate total between them of 80 years' service as ringers in St. John's tower by Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Goodfellow, was flown for the first time on this day.

## A Great Handbell Achievement

Last week we announced that a new record in Spliced Surprise handbell ringing was established at the residence of the conductor, Mr. John R. Mayne, at Headstone Lane, Harrow. The peal consisted of 18 methods, and in it there were 134 changes of method.

This great achievement beats the previous record of 16 Spliced Surprise Major methods, conducted by Mr. Harold Cashmore, which has stood since October 25th, 1952. Mr. Christopher W. Woolley was in both peals, the latter was his 100th peal of Surprise on handbells.

## 50 YEARS' SERVICE IN ONE TOWER

To the list of those who have given a half-century's service in one tower must be added the name of Mr. Raymond Addison, of 21, Russell Street, Stockton, Yorks, who this year celebrates 50 years as a ringer at St. Paul's Church, Thornaby.

In honour of the event, Mr. Addison took part in a peal of Grandsire Triples at St. Paul's Church on June 13th. The band included two of his pupils—David Dawson, who rang his first peal, and Margaret Wilkinson, who was ringing her first in the method. They both rang faultlessly. There had been two previous attempts to score it.

A strong family connection exists with St. Paul's Church. His father was associated with the Sunday School for 50 years as pupil, teacher and superintendent. His brothers, older than Raymond, were bell-ringers and it was as a boy of 13 he desired to emulate them and became fascinated in ringing.

He still rings regularly on Sunday mornings at Stockton Parish Church, and in the afternoons at Thornaby. Much of his time is occupied in training youngsters. For more than 10 years he was vice-president of the Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association. He is also a member of the Yorkshire Association.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY

Although the attendance was below average the bells of All Saints', Edmonton, were put to good use in standard and Surprise methods at the North and East District meeting on June 13th.

Preb. S. G. W. Knight conducted the Association's form of service and extended a warm welcome to his church. Mr. Ernest Grove accompanied at the organ and Miss Sheila Moore, an up and coming member of the local band, read the lesson. Tea followed in the Charles Lamb Institute and Miss Newcombe and her helpers, as usual, provided an excellent repast.

At the subsequent business meeting reference was made to the passing of the Bishop of Willesden. The Rt. Rev. George Ernest Ingle, a vice-president of the Association, whose funeral had taken place that day, the members standing in silence for a few moments.

Confirmation of the provisional election of the following as non-resident life members, prior to participating in peals, was made:—Philip J. Rothera (Chelmsford), Dennis Ellisdon (Ilford), Gillian Syms (Letchworth), Robert Harris (Bognor Regis), Jean Lavender (Thorn-ton Heath) and Ann P. Robinson (Elstree). Mr. T. G. Fox, formerly of Stepney and now living at Horsham, was also elected a life member, whilst Miss Louise Gallini, of the St. Augustine's, Kilburn band, was elected as a ringing member.

Under the guidance of Mr. Charles Ward a new band has been formed at Barnet, and it is gratifying to learn that the bells are now ringing regularly for Sunday services. Eight members of the band were now up to change ringing standard and were elected as ringing members, viz. Mrs. M. L. Paternoster, and Messrs. R. Derry, R. Adcock, K. Record, S. Taylor, M. Bullett, E. J. Paternoster and J. R. Paternoster.

Before closing the proceedings the chairman expressed the thanks of the meeting to the Vicar and all who had contributed to the success of the gathering. E. H. K.



## IN YORKSHIRE WITH FRANK C. PRICE

ON Saturday, June 6th, at Doncaster, I joined Tom and Kath Lock (North Mimms), David Forder (North Stoneham), Cyril and Frances Low (Hampton), Bert Gogle (Norwich), Tom and Margaret Chapman and baby Chris (Bishopstoke), Dick Price (Sheffield), Ruth Foreman (Hendon), Dennis Knox (High Wycombe), Frank and Sheila Price and baby Fiona (Crowthorne) for the start of Frank's annual week — this year to be in Yorkshire. Our transport included the 32-year-old Chapman Rolls, which was a constant source of interest, though on one occasion stopping its 2½ tons gave some of us an anxious moment.

Eric Critchley met us at St. George's and when we had climbed the many steps of the huge tower we found that the method for the first peal attempt of the tour had been changed to Bristol. That didn't worry Dennis, who, after those not pealing had sampled the 30 cwt. ring of eight called his own composition to a good peal. On to Wakefield in the evening to H.Q. at the Strafford Arms Hotel in time for dinner and a handbell evening.

On Sunday we were privileged to ring Treble 12 and Stedman Cinques for morning service at St. Peter's, Leeds (42 cwt.) and to ring at Sheffield Cathedral (12—40 cwt.) for Evensong. This latter tower is for ever associated with Charles Hattersley and that well-known figure at Central Council meetings, the late Sid Palmer. Between this service ringing, Dick Price took us on a tour of the beauty spots in the Pennines on the borders of the West Riding with Cheshire and Derbyshire, with lunch at the 13th century inn at Strynes. A few spare minutes allowed us to ring on the pleasant light eight at Dore, where Mr. J. E. Lewis Cockey was once churchwarden. Handbells in the evening ranged from 720 of Plain Bob Minor, with singles only, to attempts at Cambridge Royal and we were glad to be joined by Wilf Moreton.

### A MISCHANCE

A good start was made on Monday, in lovely weather, and excellent ringing for two hours of Yorkshire Major on the fine eight (22 cwt.) at Howden. By one of those mischances which take the certainty out of peal ringing the conductor had then to call Stand, so what might well have been the first struck peal of the week was not. While the remainder of the party had gone on to Selby, Kath had prepared a picnic lunch for the peal band. We all met at Selby in the afternoon for a pull on the ten (25½ cwt.) at this glorious Norman and early English Abbey. A fair course of London Royal No. 3 was followed, with apparently more difficulty, by Stedman Caters. Ossett (10—27 cwt.) was reached in time for the evening practice, which the local band had kindly given up to us. This time an almost perfect course of London Royal made a local ringer wish he had his tape recorder. Cambridge Royal, Stedman Caters and Little Bob Royal concluded this very pleasant hour, after which at H.Q. Dick showed his coloured films of last year's Devon tour and of his own boating holiday on the Broad.

At Tadcaster (8—20 cwt.) on Tuesday morning, four-spliced went well after the conductor had been persuaded to start again and not to call changes of method when the treble was at the back. It may have been just as easy for him, but it caught most of us unawares. The programme then said afternoon free in York, which was true for some. But five of us returned to H.Q. to ring Bob Royal in hand. After an hour a clapper fell out, so now some of us have suffered this both on tower- and handbells. Later on, however, we

felt better, when Wilf Moreton called a good peal of Stedman Cinques at Wakefield Cathedral (35 cwt.), after which we were all ready for a drink and a meal.

### ROPE TROUBLE

Wednesday brought mixed fortune. Two towers in the morning—some good five-spliced at Birstall (8—22 cwt.), in spite of the Yorkshire tail ends; and among other methods at All Souls', Haley Hill, Halifax (8—25 cwt.) was Oswald Major, its parentage being Kent and Cambridge. In the afternoon it was my turn to call Grandsire Cinques on the 28 cwt. 12 at St. John's, Halifax. After splicing one rope, we rang as far as the third lead when another broke. That spliced we reached the fourth lead and still another rope came down.

Having no faith in the remainder we reluctantly abandoned the attempt for what had promised to be a good peal. The early finish allowed time for a tower grab at East Ardsley (8), but in the second touch here yet another rope broke. Five of us evened up the score a little at H.Q. in the evening with a peal of Plain Bob Royal on the handbells, on which the late J. A. Trollope had rung many of his peals.

If you ever get a chance to ring at Sprotborough on the new eight (8 cwt.) don't miss it. For their weight and note they are perfect and at this, our first tower on Thursday. Frank made double-handed tower bell ringing look easy by ringing 7—8 to a course of London. Look out for a peal of Major there one day by four fingers only! A pull at Conisbrough (8) preceded lunch in Rotherham and an extra tower (Whiston—8). We spent a pleasant hour drinking tea at Dick's home at Thryburgh where the sight of the week was Bert Gogle and Tom Lock industriously weeding the garden.

In the evening we were joined at Rotherham by Norman and John Chaddock for a peal of London Royal. When the tenor would not clapper up, we thought that Wednesday's jinx had followed us, but Norman removed the clapper counter-balance and all was well. The peal, conducted by Tom Chapman on this fine ten (34 cwt.) was a little like the curate's egg—some if it was excellent. Those not in the peal tried the six at Thryburgh before returning to Wakefield and enjoying Mrs. Moreton's hospitality.

### HOMAGE TO SNOWDONS

Dennis had to leave on Friday to get back in time to ring a few more changes on the High Wycombe outing, but the rest of us enjoyed the finest weather of the week. In the morning we rang at Ilkley (8—18 cwt.), which was the tower of the Snowdon family, where the father of Jasper and William and the grandfather of Miss Margaret, was Vicar. The stained glass window, with bell motif, subscribed for by the ringers of England to the memory of Jasper, was much admired. Although he died at the age of 41, he yet had had time to establish the Snowdon series of text books. Until the evening peal we were free and spent pleasant hours at Bolton Abbey in the heart of lovely country. Fred Mundav met us at Bradford Cathedral (10—25 cwt.) and Cambridge Royal, called by David, brought our peal total for the week to five.

That evening our thanks were expressed tangibly to Frank for arranging the tour and to Dick for his help with local knowledge and influence, and to all the incumbents and local ringers for their help and, by me on, believe it or not, my first ringing tour, to all the 'old stagers' for their company, including especially baby Chris and baby Fiona.

WILFRID G. WILSON.

### Ladies With 500 Peals

This week we record the fact that Miss Joan Beresford, of Dartford, the honorary treasurer of the Ladies' Guild, has rung her 500th peal. This took place at Holy Trinity Church, Guildford, and was a peal of four Spliced Surprise Major methods. The peal was rung for the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths, and was conducted by Miss Beresford's brother, Dennis, who is Master of the Society.

Miss Beresford is the sixth lady to hold this honour. The others are:

Mrs. Amy Thomas, of Hinton-on-the-Green, Worcestershire, the widow of Mr. Jack Thomas;

The late Mrs. Phyllis Poole, the widow of Inspector Harold Poole, of Leicester;

Mrs. Marcia Marshallsay, of Bourne-mouth;

Miss Muriel Reay, of Birmingham;

Mrs. Claudia Critchley, wife of Mr. G. W. Critchley, of Knebworth, Herts.

### GOLDEN WEDDING OF MR. AND MRS. L. A. TIDY

LIMPSFIELD Chart, Surrey, had something really to celebrate on June 20th. Relatives and friends came from all parts, with greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Len Tidy on the occasion of their golden wedding anniversary.

The day began with Holy Communion, celebrated by the Rev. Philip Haynes. The first changes of a quarter peal began as the couple left the church to be photographed at the same rose-hung porch as 50 years ago. In the band was one representative of the ringers of St. Peter's, Limpsfield, and another from nearby Westerham—only two of the dozens who have learnt their ringing from Mr. Len Tidy over the years.

Late afternoon was the time for everyone to gather in St. Andrew's Hall. There tables were spread for an appropriate feast, and in the midst of all were Mr. and Mrs. Tidy senior, and the anniversary cake. A toast was drunk to their continued health, proposed by Mr. Wilfred Tidy on behalf of the immediate family and numerous nephews and nieces. Mr. Jack Weller expressed thanks and good wishes on behalf of the guests. Mr. Len Tidy could find words for only part of what he had to say. In the ringing which followed, six of the Tidy family took a rope: three generations of ringers, an age range of 16 to 82. The day was rounded off with another quarter peal.

Fifty years ago St. Andrew's Church was a comparatively young church. Already Len Tidy was amongst the very keen ringers, and has been tower captain since 1913. The couple, who were married at St. Andrew's in 1914, are still very much with us, in the hearts of the generations that have come to ring at The Chart since then.

R. W. S.

### ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE, YORK

Members of the College Society visited Stillington, a three bell tower, with a 5½ cwt. tenor, on June 3rd and spent a half-hour ringing rounds and call changes. Mr. J. Hutchinson took the members to his home to inspect his scale model of a ring of six bells. These and handbells were rung. Later an hour was spent on the light eight at Easingwold, ringing rounds, Doubles and call changes. Refreshments with the president of the Society and handbell ringing concluded the outing.

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# Letters to the Editor

## The Everest Band

Dear Sir,—In these days, when we move so rapidly from one excitement to another, it is good to be reminded of great events, whether of long past or of recent date. All of us, therefore, will surely welcome the photograph of the band that rang the 40,320 at Loughborough. There cannot be anything but sincere admiration for this band of young men, who tackled this stupendous task in a spirit that was both cavalier and determined, enduring a physical and mental ordeal that demanded great courage and steadfastness.

I may not be alone in wishing that a more worthy reproduction of the portrait of the band had been made available to commemorate this historic feat. The paper on which our journal is printed is obviously capable of better reproduction, and much, therefore, must depend on the quality of the original photograph. Whatever the difficulties, however, I feel that it would be well worth while to take trouble to perpetuate in first-class style something that will be treasured both by the members of this gallant band of adventurers and by future generations of change ringers.—Yours faithfully,

EDGAR C. SHEPHERD.

Warminster, Wilts.

**Note.**—The original print and negative was very indistinct and was exceedingly poor material for the block makers to work on. We hope if the band ever reassemble a photograph worthy of the occasion will be taken. A photograph of this band should go down to posterity—be republished and retained in the archives of the Central Council.—Ed.

## Making Visitors welcome

Dear Sir.—In regard to the annual outing of the Bolsover ringers to the Peterborough district on June 6th. I should like to express my own appreciation of the very warm welcome at each of the towers visited during the day.

One often reads of difficulties about finding keys to towers and although the party arrived early at Tichmarsh, it was refreshing to find the elderly incumbent already on the look-out, and he and his wife were obviously pleased to hear the bells. It was a most pleasant surprise for the whole party to be invited into the small Rectory cottage for cups of tea and biscuits.

At Warmington two of the local ringers were present and at Woodston the Curate-in-charge (formerly of Howden) and two young ringers showed very great interest in the visitors.

At the last tower, Castor, the visit coincided with the local practice (unusual to see so many people prepared to meet on a Saturday evening) and I was most impressed by the new wooden floor (the work of the local ringers) and the excellent condition of the bells and ringing room. Here again the incumbent visited the tower and several of the local ringers joined in some excellent ringing. As the coach left Castor it was most gratifying to be told by an old gentleman that it was the best change ringing he had heard in his life!

In conclusion, I would like to thank my friends from Bolsover and district for a very enjoyable day amongst excellent bells and pleasant company.—Yours faithfully,

A B COOPER.

Kirkella, Hull.

## Peal withdrawn

Dear Sir.—I have to perform the very regrettable duty of withdrawing, on the conductor's behalf, a peal of Plain Bob Major rung at Biggleswade on August 17th, 1963, owing to falseness in the composition which I overlooked when checking it before it was rung.

May I also express heartfelt regrets to the rest of the band.—Yours faithfully,

STEPHEN IVIN.

Bedford.

## Ringling in South Africa

Dear Sir.—'You want the bells—I got 'em' is one of my husband's pet clichés, but for once I am 'one up' on him. I am at present enjoying the delights of three months' holiday in sunny South Africa and after experiencing the thrills of a visit to the Kruger Game Reserve, a trip of nearly 3,000 miles to the Eastern Cape Province with its wonderful mountain, lake and coastal scenery (between times staying with a friend between Pretoria and Johannesburg). I am now spending a fortnight in Durban.

As there are two churches with bells here, Pat wrote urging me to try and have a pull, so although I haven't rung in England for several years I felt I shouldn't miss this unique opportunity. I contacted Mr. Cyril Chambers (who came out here from Worcestershire in 1939) and found that Colin Stevenson, from Harlington, who is now studying at Salisbury University, S. Rhodesia, was also in Durban on holiday and had been making enquiries about ringing. Unfortunately there is no regular ringing now at either church, on account of the usual shortage of enthusiasts, but Mr. Chambers rustled together four other 'locals' and we were able to ring some Plain courses of Bob Minor on the back seven of St. Mary's, Greyville (a fine ring of 10 by J. Taylor, tenor 18 cwt. 25 lb.), before service on Sunday evening, June 7th. Then the same band (with one addition) met together the next evening and enjoyed some Grand sire Triples and Bob Minor. This was the first time any Triples had been possible for five or six years, but Mr. Chambers is now hoping to arrange a practice for us one evening at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul (8), which unfortunately cannot muster enough ringers for Sunday service ringing. I believe the last time these bells were rung was on New Year's Eve.

I should like to express my appreciation to Mr. Chambers and his co-ringers for making it possible for me to ring in Durban. In addition he and his wife also kindly called for my friend and I and took us with Colin Stevenson for a scenic drive outside the city and entertained us to tea. It is wonderful that this camaraderie among ringers is apparent all over the globe. Our visit even gained a short notice in the Durban Daily News!!

On June 21st I am hoping to start on an eight-day tour to the Kariba Dam and Victoria Falls and as I shall have two days in Salisbury S. Rhodesia, Colin is kindly arranging for me to sample the bells of the Cathedral (10) there. So if I'm lucky, before I return to England in July, I shall be 'three un' on Pat.

Best wishes to all ringing friends at home.

SYLVIA C. CANNON (Mrs.).

Irene, Transvaal.

## An East Anglian Broadcast

Dear Sir.—I must apologise to David Baker and members of Manchester University Guild who did not receive mention for their ringing at Kessingland, in the Central Council's Broadcasting Committee's report. Of course their broadcast was of great interest and it well deserved mention. I am the contact for this area for C.C.B.C., and unfortunately did not see the broadcast, nor did anybody happen to mention it to me.

As usual, I inquired of both B.B.C. and I.T.V., about any broadcasts of ringing, etc., but I do not think they could be blamed for not mentioning it, as it would be very difficult for them to keep tapes on every news item. Perhaps anybody who shares in, or sees or hears, anything of this kind in this area in future would kindly advise me—and the same might well apply in the other areas. I always have a special interest in Kessingland ringing, as it was partly because of a very long meeting of their Parochial Church Council with me, that they spent their money on rehanging and augmenting their fine bells, instead of a ghastly electronic imitation!—Yours sincerely,

GILBERT THURLOW.

Norwich.

## 'Spike' Stays

Dear Sir.—Your Winchester correspondent asks (June 19th) about stays in the form of metal 'spurs' or 'spikes' such as were fitted at St. Laurence's Church. I cannot say who originated this type of stay, but it does seem to have been quite common a hundred or more years ago.

At Mappowder, in Dorset, the tenor (13 cwt. in G) of the 'unringable' ring of five has such a stay, while the other four bells have never been fitted with stays at all! The bells are all 18th century and were rehung in their present frame when the church was restored in the 19th century. (They are wildly out of tune but otherwise appear to be serviceable.)

Two out of the ring of three bells at Wroxall, in Warwickshire, are fitted with these stays. The frame here is 17th century but the stays are probably 19th century replacements. A single bell (by one of the Rudhalls) hung for ringing on the roof of Berrington Hall, Herefordshire, also has a 'spike' stay.

If someone could devise some way in which this type of stay could 'give' when necessary, without being pulled out of the headstock by its screws, I feel that it would be a far simpler and neater alternative both to the cumbersome traditional system of stays and sliders and to the Hastings-type stay—on light bells, at any rate.—Yours faithfully,

CHRISTOPHER DALTON.

Leigh, Surrey.

Dear Sir.—In connection with Mr. W. O. Haythorne's letter (page 416), there is a complete ring of bells fitted with this type of stay at All Saints', Carshalton, Surrey. The bells are a Mears 'six', tenor 12 cwt. in G, cast in 1704, with two trebles added in 1840, since when the bells and frame have had no major attention.

The bells were condemned as practically unsafe and unringable about 50 years ago, but have been rung off and on ever since, and last year the Beddington band rang several quarters of Surprise Major on them. The bells were still ringable up to a month ago, when one of the tenor's gudgeons snapped. It is hoped an appeal for a new frame and fittings may be launched in the near future.—Yours faithfully,

R. J. TALBOT.

Beddington, Surrey.

## The Cornish Pasty

Dear Sir.—The Rev. John Scott's odd ode of the Cornish Pasty is most apt as I, too, after having made its acquaintance at Truro, had cause to meditate on the characteristics of this creation. Surely it is the Cornishman's secret weapon, a subtle invention to overcome an unsuspecting enemy! What English (foreign) invader could stomach a fight after partaking of such local produce?

Of course, many of the 'occupied' regions of the British Isles have produced similar devilish devices. The Scots have that fierce-some beastie the haggis, which can strike instant terror into any Sassenach's heart, while the Welsh have the 'rarebit' which is no less potent. And apart from 'blarney' the Irish have their 'poteen' and their stew, which have revelled many a foreign onslaught.

I now retire to a safe distance into my slit trench to withstand the bombardment!

Joking (and pasty!) aside, however, I would like to add my congratulations to the Truro Diocesan Guild on their arrangements for the recent C.C. meeting and to thank them for the warm welcome to the delegates.—Yours sincerely,

K. ARTHUR.

Newcastle upon Tyne.

## All Ladies' Peal

Dear Sir.—I send my apologies. The footnote to the peal rung at Dinder, Somerset (page 368), is incorrect. There was one peal rung before for the Bath and Wells Association by an all ladies' band, this was in January, 1915, at Portishead.—Yours, etc.,

MARJORIE LEGG.



## Extraction of False Course Heads and Their Application

BY JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM

On a number of occasions I have been asked to explain how a composition is proved and this article is the result. The draft has been submitted to a number of people so that the article should be intelligible to all classes of ringer; it may, therefore seem very elementary to some people. I should like to acknowledge the many suggestions made.

We have first to find the False Lead Heads against the first lead of the Plain Course. Write out the first lead of the method (in this case Yorkshire) marking in the position of the treble and if in course (positive) or out of course (negative). Signs are changed when a set of places is made but not if a double set is made as in Cambridge.

Now take the two rows with treble in same place and having same sign and transpose the first row (a) in same way as the relationship of the 2nd row (b) is to rounds. The false lead head is in heavy type.

1 +	12345678 (a)	15783624 (b)
	<b>17582634</b>	12345678
2 +	21436587	51876342
	<b>17582634</b>	12345678
1 -	12463857	15372846
	<b>13452768</b>	12345678
2 -	21648375	51738264
	<b>13452768</b>	12345678
3 +	26143857	58176432
	<b>17582346</b>	12345678
4 +	62418375	85714623
	<b>17582346</b>	12345678
3 -	26148735	58173624
	<b>13852746</b>	12345678
4 -	62417853	85716342
	<b>13852746</b>	12345678

etc

etc.

Having now found the False Lead Heads against the first lead of the Plain Course, the False Lead Heads for the remaining six leads must be produced and then next to transpose False Lead Heads to False Course Heads. I have set out the complete

5738264.2	8674523.3	4263857.4	3527486.5
6845273.6	2438567.2	5374826.4	8763452.3
8647253.3	4236587.5	3572846.4	7865432.6
7385624.7	6748253.2	2634587.5	5273846.4
8573624.3	4867253.6	3426587.5	7352846.4
6845732.6	2438675.2	5374268.1	8763524.3
8267453.3	4526387.5	3852746.6	7485632.7
7485632.7	6348275.2	2734568.1	5673824.4
8563427.3	4827356.6	3456782.5	7382645.7
8765423.3	4628357.2	3254786.5	7583642.7
8745632.3	4638275.2	3274568.1	7563824.4
8745263.3	4638527.2	3274856.4	7563482.5
8735624.3	4678253.2	3264587.5	7523846.4

3274568.6	5372648.2	3452768.4	5234768.3
5372648.3	3452768.5	5234768.4	<b>2436578.6</b>
5234768.7	<b>2436578.2</b>	3256748.5	2354768.4
<b>2436578.3</b>	3256748.6	2354768.5	3274568.4
2734568.6	6352748.2	5374268.1	2435768.3
5374268.3	2435768.5	6745238.6	5342768.7
5342768.7	2456738.2	2734568.1	6352748.4
2734568.3	6352748.6	5374268.5	2435768.7
2354768.3	3274568.2	5372648.5	3452768.7
3256748.3	2354768.2	3274568.1	5372648.4
6352748.3	5374268.2	2435768.4	6745238.5
2456738.3	2734568.2	6352748.5	5374268.4

If the composition to be proved has the tenors together we need only bother with the F.C.H. in heavy type, i.e., 24365 2 v 3; 3 v 2; 5 v 6; 6 v 5; 7 v 1; 1 v 7. This means that

1 +	12345678
2 +	21436587
1 -	12463857
2 -	21648375

38

3 +	26143857
4 +	62418375
3 -	26148735
4 -	62417853

14

58

5 +	64271835
6 +	46728153
5 -	64271835
6 -	46728153

16

12

7 +	46782513
8 +	64875231
7 -	68472513
8 -	86745231

38

14

8 +	68472531
7 +	86745213
8 -	87642531
7 -	78465213

78

14

6 +	87456123
5 +	78541632
6 -	78456123
5 -	87541632

38

12

4 +	85714623
3 +	58176432
4 -	85716342
3 -	58173624

16

58

2 +	51876342
1 +	15783624
2 -	51738264
1 -	15372846

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table for Yorkshire below. Start by producing seven columns headed with the lead heads and numbered. Each F.L.H. is numbered according to the position of the tenor and the lead number retained when transposed to F.C.H., thus giving the location of falseness.

7856342.6	6482735.7	2345678.1
4627385.5	3256748.1	7582634.7
6428375.2	2354768.1	5783624.7
8567432.3	4826375.6	3452768.1
6785432.7	2648375.2	5234768.1
4627853.4	3256487.5	7582346.7
6348275.2	2734568.1	5673824.4
8267453.3	4526387.5	3852746.6
6745238.1	2638574.2	5274863.4
6847235.6	2436578.1	5372864.4
6827453.6	2456387.5	5382746.7
6827345.6	2456738.1	5382674.7
6857432.6	2486375.7	5342768.1

<b>2436578.5</b>	3256748.1	2354768.7
3256748.2	2354768.1	3274568.7
3274568.3	3256748.6	3452768.1
5372648.7	3452768.2	5234768.1
6745238.4	5342768.5	2456738.7
2456738.2	2734568.1	6352748.4
5374268.3	2435768.5	6745238.6
6745238.1	5342768.2	2456738.4
5234768.6	<b>2436578.1</b>	3256748.4
3452768.6	5234768.5	<b>2436578.7</b>
5342768.6	2456738.1	2734568.7
2435768.6	6745238.7	5342768.1

the 2nd lead of course 23456 is false against the 3rd lead of course 24365, the third lead is false against the 2nd, the 6th against the 5th, and so on. (To be continued)

## CAMBRIDGE AT CRICKET

On June 11th a cricket match was played between the Cambridge University Guild and the Trumpington Elders (a team of local ringers) at the Selwyn ground. Brown and Smith opened confidently for the Elders against Cooke and the guile of Threlfall who, carefully calculating the trajectory, bowled Smith with a high full toss. Hayes then got rid of Brown (caught to the surprise of all, by Rogers), Gpison, whose bucolic swipe missed completely, and Pearson. Thoday, captaining the side, came out, immaculate in his white flannels, surveyed the field and was bowled first ball. The position was restored by Murfet and Lucas who attacked the unorthodox bowling with shots all round the field. A collapse occurred in the final overs and the innings closed at 90 for 8 wickets.

For the Guild, the Master and Miss Slow, in her first game of cricket, opened cautiously against Brown's slow lob and Thoday's fast bowling, but the Master was soon out, blaming his eyesight. By the fifth over, Miss Slow had scored two and had lost four partners, all for ducks, the secretary losing the ball in the clouds, and Hudson forgetting to move his bat. Cooke looked dangerous until Lucas bowled him with a professional looking break-back.

Miss Dillamore then joined Miss Slow and so appealed to the gentlemanly instincts of Murfet and Thoday that they bowled as tamely as possible. The ladies stayed in as Thoday bowled faster and faster. The stalemate was halted in the 17th over by Miss Slow's retirement to a party, but, after a bright knock by Hayes, it took Bishop's bodyline full tosses to cause Miss Dillamore's retirement, a most ungentelemanly piece of play according to the spectators. Nutton and Rogers had a vociferous partnership until Rogers, exhausted after running three, was bowled by Lucas. Threlfall came in past his wife fielding at mid-on, and left at once without damaging his newly oiled bat by contact with the ball. The Guild were all out for 49 and lost by 41, although even this is uncertain because of the non-appearance of the scorer. Both sides were grateful to the impartial umpiring of Messrs. Dennis and Ridgman and hope to hold a return fixture next year.

Scores: Trumpington Elders 90 for 8 (G. Lucas 41, D. F. Murfet 20, G. Pearson 10, H. F. Brown 9).

Cambridge University Guild 49 (R. W. H. Hayes 12, J. B. Cooke 10, Miss C. Dillamore 9 ret., Miss H. F. Slow 7 ret.).

V. N.

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## A NORTH COUNTRY PAGE

### Harold Walker writes on Whitwell-on-the-Hill, North Yorks

**T**HE efforts of the St. John's College Bell Ringers' Society in attempting to get the bells rung in silent towers are no doubt commendable but one wonders whether or not its work at Whitwell has been worth while. It is reported (page 378) that the bells were rung for the induction of the new Vicar but they are not safe for quarter or peal attempts but are all right it rung in short touches by touring teams.

If the bells are not safe for a quarter peal how can they be safe for short touches? My question is, are they safe for regular Sunday service ringing? So far as I am concerned, the answer is a definite 'no,' and touring teams would be advised to keep away.

The bell founders submitted reports and estimates in 1939 and 1949, and in 1956 my assistance was solicited in getting the bells rung on the occasion of a further bell founders' inspection.

In 1962 I was asked by the York Diocesan Advisory Committee to report on the condition of the bells as the Vicar was seeking advice following the receipt of expensive estimates from two firms of bell founders.

The belfry contains a ring of six bells, tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lbs. by Warner, installed in 1859 when the church was built.

#### REDUCING FLOOR SPACE

Above the belfry is another floor which serves no useful purpose and one wonders why it was ever put there. Access to this floor is gained by a circular wooden stairway which takes up about a quarter of the belfry floor space. In consequence of this obstruction the bells have been sited in rather an unusual manner. The stairway takes up the north west corner, the treble and second bell take up the north east corner, and the fourth, fifth and tenor bells take up all the floor space on the south side, whilst the third bell hangs in a frame superimposed above the fourth and fifth. The third bell swings east and west and all the others swing north and south.

Although the bell frame is carried on stout pine beams, it is only built of light section timbers and is of poor design. Much of the ironwork is corroded and in 1962 several wheels were broken. When the bells were rung in 1956 considerable movement in the frame took place due to loose joints, lack of bracing and weak timbers.

The whole economy of the belfry leads one to the opinion that when the tower was built the architect gave no thought as to the method of hanging the bells or whether or not there was sufficient space available to house the bells properly. This matter seems to have been left entirely to the bell hanger.

#### A CALLOUS DISREGARD

Originally there was no tower clock and the bell ropes came down to the ringing floor in a fair circle. Although the ringing chamber is only 11 feet square, the ringers would have been able to ring in reasonable comfort.

In 1891 a clock was installed to strike the hours on the tenor bell and to show the

time on a skeleton face on the south side of the tower, visible from the Malton road which runs close by. The works and case were placed in the ringing chamber taking up about a third of the floor space. The clock case and weight shaft screens effectively block out daylight from the ringing floor.

The installation necessitated an alteration to the roping of the fourth and fifth bells. The fourth rope is now on the opposite side of the wheel and falls far too close to the second and third ropes. The fifth rope was brought down at an acute angle through a wooden chute a few inches away from the clock case and, in consequence, this bell can only be rung with difficulty by an experienced ringer. It is obvious the clock was installed with a callous disregard of the difficulties created for the ringers, and in my 43 years of ringing I have not seen anything of a similar nature.

### NEWCASTLE ROYAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL YOUTHS

This Ringing Society was started in November, 1963, by three keen members of the Jesmond band—Andrew Craddock (first Ringing Master), Paul Shears (secretary) and James Sturrock (chairman). In school emphasis is on handbell ringing and already a few recruits are up to quarter peal standard.

The Society rang its first quarter on November 1st. Bob Doubles on tower bells, conducted by the Master, with Miss Esther Henderson, Central Newcastle High School, hunting the treble. Four quarters have since been rung, with Miss Joan Walker, Central High School, on the treble on two occasions. The first all R.G.S. quarter was on June 14th, when 12-year-old John Pardoe rang the treble for his first quarter.

Mr. George S. Deas, Ringing Master of Newcastle Cathedral, gave an interesting talk to the Society on June 19th, his subject being 'The Art of English Change Ringing.'

### BARNSELY & DISTRICT SOCIETY

Barnsley, with 83 faults, won the shield contest at Penistone, near Sheffield, on June 13th from four other teams. Second was Friezland with 106 faults and other competitors were Shelley and Cawthorne. The judge was Mr. Harold Chant, and Miss Chinnery, of Royston, was the marker.

Mr. Noel F. Moxon presided at the business meeting. East Ardsley was selected for the next meeting on July 11th, and the meeting on August 8th to be joint with the Southern District, Yorkshire Association, at Royston, with Felkirk and Barnsley as extra towers.

**NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.**—At the Church of St. George, Jesmond, on June 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. P. L. Pardoe (12, first quarter) 1, P. C. E. Shears 2, S. J. Pardoe 3, J. G. White 4, J. A. Sturrock (first as cond.) 5, A. G. Craddock (has now 'circled the tower' 10 quarters) 6. First quarter for the Royal Grammar School Society. Rung for Evensong.

### EAST RIDING RINGERS

This year the East Riding ringers held an additional outing (on June 20th) to enable a visit to the Loughborough foundry.

Unlike some outings, which work on the most towers in the least time principle, this society wisely pursues the policy of visiting a few towers in the longest time, so enabling a leisurely day to be enjoyed by all. The only setback was the early departure hour. (It is believed that some of the ringers had never before been quite so close to seeing the summer sun rise!)

Loughborough was reached by 11.45 a.m. and a fascinating tour was made of the foundry under the guidance of Mr. Paul Taylor. It had been hoped to 'borrow' some handbells for the day to make up for the forgetfulness of a Kirk Ella ringer, but they were obviously closely guarded! However, some Grandsire Triples were rung on the handbells found hanging in the Campanile ringing chamber. We also tried tapping out a course of Doubles on an upturned ring of six in for tuning, but this was unsuccessful.

The 6 cwt. ring of ten was a great experience—although only the basic methods were ventured upon. A ladies' band also set to work on the back eight.

Lunch was taken at Copt Oak and followed (after the traditional game of hunt-the-tower-key), by ringing the pleasant six to a variety of methods. Then on to Whitwick where the eight ran very nicely to Yorkshire and Double Norwich. Tea was provided by the local company at Shephed and was followed by an hour's ringing on the very fine eight.

The monotony of the handbell-less trip home was relieved by an enjurement with new motorway roadworks and by the singing of Messrs. Ducker and Johnson—a marathon non-stop two-hour performance.

So a 16-hour trip, organised extremely well by Mr. K. Kirk, drew to its close. Thanks are due to Mr. Taylor and to the incumbents and Ringing Masters of the other towers visited.

D. P. B. M.

### DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

Although the Chesterfield District's meeting at Creswell on June 13th was blessed by fine weather, the attendance, surprisingly enough, was only half that of last year when it was raining 'cats and dogs!' However, some 25 ringers, representing some seven towers in the district, together with welcome visitors from Darley Dale and Warsop, had a very enjoyable afternoon's ringing, before adjourning to the nearby Church Hall for tea.

After an excellent meal the business meeting began with a report of the District's striking contest which included the good news that two of our teams, Dronfield and Old Whittington, had come first and second in the final at Horsley. Ann Fletcher (Staveley) and Catherine Bradley (Dronfield) were elected new members, and an invitation to Chesterfield for a meeting was discussed and agreed upon, subject to the final details.

The District Ringing Master, Mr. A. Keller, proposed the vote of thanks—to Vicar, local ringers and ladies for the tea. Further ringing was enjoyed until 9 p.m.

Next meeting: July 11th—Barlborough (6).  
M. P. P.

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**HORNCHURCH**

A rather ambitious programme was attempted by Hornchurch this year in a visit to the Isle of Wight. The visit had a dual purpose—to see Tom East and, of course, to ring on the island. Tom is now a resident there—a district of ringing scarcity but oddly enough some good bells.

We left Waterloo on the 7.50 a.m. train and those who decry the Southern and Dr. Beeching please note that we were ringing in Ryde by 10.30 a.m. Brading, Newport, Cartisbrooke and Godshill followed in succession.

Good meals, near perfect timekeeping, giving us ample time for refreshment, and a cheap coach, together with a fine day and some good scenery, gave us a wonderful time. The island makes a good day's outing, preferably early in the year; Tom will be overjoyed to fit you in.

Thanks Tom, good luck, we wished you well traditionally at both ends of the pier, on the train and finally at Waterloo. F. V. G.

**TONBRIDGE, KENT**

On June 6th Tonbridge ringers, together with friends from Edenbridge, visited towers in the lovely byways of Sussex. Unfortunately, due to a dull rainy day the countryside could not be seen at its best.

Mayfield was the first tower where the difficult six called for all our resources to ring them reasonably well. After visiting Heathfield we came into Kipling country to the very interesting church of St. Bartholomew, Burwash, where an hour was spent ringing various methods which made us appreciate the enjoyable salad tea which followed.

We then made our way to Salehurst for some good ringing on the fine eight and also on the lovely eight at Wadhurst, which was our last tower.

A vote of thanks must be recorded to the incumbents, the local ringers who met us, and to Mr. L. T. Pope for his excellent organisation. A. A. L.

**OUTINGS****ST. PETER'S SOCIETY, BRIGHTON**

Choosing June 13th for the outing may well have caused the rain to fall, but the organiser could not be blamed for that. Apart from the weather, everything went well. This year we were pleased to have a fair sprinkling of Sussex University ringers among our 41 passengers, two of whom were seen to deposit a coffin-shaped box into the coach boot. Refreshments? Most unlikely.

So off to a prompt start, reaching Dartford where we rang Cambridge and other methods. Prior to entering the tunnel into Essex, a coach pulled abreast of ours, containing fellow ringers from Balcombe, also on an outing to Essex. Shouted greetings were exchanged at this coincidence. We made for Brentwood to ring the eight there, prior to an excellent lunch at 'Les Cuisiniers.' At Chelmsford Cathedral, two of our party were seen to deposit the aforementioned box, still heavily loaded, into the churchyard, where a passer-by respectfully raised his hat.

Ringling the 12 bells was a new experience for many as we have no 12 in Sussex. Commencing with rounds, we progressed to Grand-sire and Stedman Cinques, three leads of K. T. B. Maximus, finishing with a well-struck course of Stedman on the back eight! On descending to the churchyard, rumour had it that a car was seen to have been driven away with the embarrassing box. In any case, it was the last we saw of it and certainly was not on board from then on. A hasty check revealed no missing members of our party.

At Waltham Abbey, another 12 (tenor 38.3.21) the pattern of ringing was similar to Chelmsford, but it was here that one of our lightweight lady ringers gracefully lowered the tenor, albeit we were ringing rounds at the time. Refreshed by tea at Warren Patisseries, our homeward journey was broken at Stepney for a ring on the ten at St. Dunstan's. The final ring was at St. Mary's, Lewisham. Being

H.M. the Queen's official birthday, it was appropriate that many flags were flying from the towers we visited. To the Honours List we would like to add the names of those who kindly gave permission for us to ring, those who gave up their time to greet us, and to our organiser who so ably did the arranging.

A. W. B.

**PORTISHEAD AND WRAXALL**

Fine, warm Saturdays have been scarce this summer, but we were favoured with one in mid-June and a full coach-load of ringers and friends made the very best use of it. Ringing commenced at Chewton Mendip, generally accepted as having one of the finest 8's in Britain. It would be sacrilege to ring these bells badly, but we left the church without any feeling of guilt. Our visit to Mere was not our first, a fact which speaks for itself. The visitors' book reminded us that we had last called there during our outing of 1956: once again, we greatly enjoyed the experience.

We ate our sandwiches at Shaftesbury before proceeding through some typically lovely Dorset country to Wimborne St. Giles. The bells are a very good-going eight, but a little noisy from the ringing chamber. Well, it was soon after lunch on a very warm afternoon and, frankly, the ringing here was not as good as it should have been. We arrived at Dorchester 'bang on time' for high tea at the 'Wessex,' then followed some very enjoyable ringing at St. Peter's Church, in the company of Mr. R. H. Duke. The evening ringing at Crewkerne went like clockwork, the final touch of Stedman being a fitting 'top of the bill' to the day's proceedings.

Handbells, refreshments at Glastonbury and some lusty singing kept us all alive on the way home. We were privileged to have the company of the Rev. R. O. Fry, now a Portishead ringer, and, because of him, the ringing was of a higher standard than hitherto.

A. J. G.

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The 81st birthday of Mr. Arthur Tomlinson, of Blackburn Cathedral, who is a life vice-president of the Lancashire Association, was honoured by a peal at Farnworth-with-Kearsley on June 21st. The peal had one of those unpronounceable names, Vyrnwy Surprise Major, criticised so strongly at Truro. It is really a variation of Superlative. By the way, I am told that Arthur Tomlinson has rung more peals for the Lancashire Association than any other member, the last report giving his total as 670. He has had three spells on the Central Council, the first starting in 1930.

The peal rung at Norton, Yorks, on June 6th was also for the Beverley and District Society.

Miss Susan Chaddock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. Chaddock, of Rotherham, has obtained an Honours (Upper 2) Degree in Zoology at Nottingham University.

Holiday-makers are reminded that Ottery St. Mary practice night is on Mondays. A holiday welcome awaits them, and also at the Sunday ringing.

As a peal of Spliced Plain and Little Bob Major rung at Sutterton, Lincs, for the Vicar's birthday unfortunately proved to be false, it is hoped that the peal of Yorkshire at Pinchbeck will prove an acceptable substitute.

The Peterborough Guild is grateful to Mr. Peter Newstead and the Yarmouth ringers and to the Norwich Diocesan Guild for permitting the Peterborough Guild to achieve its first peal of Stedman Cinques; also to Messrs. J. L. Millhouse and G. B. Parker, from Lincoln, and Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Ivin, from Bedford, for taking part.

It is many years since a peal was rung at Llangollen, and that rung on June 20th was a compliment to Chancellor Dr. Alun Thomas, Vicar of Llangollen and president of the North Wales Association, on completing 40 years in the ministry. Thanks are due to Mr. Bailey and members of the local band for providing an excellent tea, which Dr. Alun Thomas attended. Great credit is due to Miss Carter, who although feeling unwell after an hour's ringing carried on until the end.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

In connection with the Rev. A. S. Roberts' entertaining front page article (issue June 19th), a correspondent points out that the coronation of George V was in 1911 and not 1910. The year 1911 was marked by four important things (he adds): The coming of 'The Ringing World,' a brilliant summer, the coronation and the winning of the cricket championship by Warwickshire!

The Suffolk Guild have new officers. Mr. G. W. Pipe is now Ringing Master and Mr. Andrew T. Beckwith, 76, Digby Road, Ipswich, general secretary and treasurer.

Mr. Norman Chaddock has already been booked for five talks on his Washington visit. He gave the first, which included tape recordings of Dean Sayres' farewell remarks and prayer prior to the peal, to Rotherham Rotary Club on June 17th.

Mr. Crawford T. Hillis, honorary secretary of Ashford District, Kent County Association, visited Mr. Ted Ruck, the sole surviving founder member of the Association in hospital on his 97th birthday. Mr. Ruck still enjoys good health for his age.

Mr. R. A. Welton writes that the outing of St. Paul's, Burton, in Yorkshire on June 6th was the most enjoyable one day outing he had participated in. He congratulates Mr. George Rowbotham on the splendid organisation, which included the choice of towers and restaurants.

Mrs. A. P. Cannon, who writes about her experiences in South Africa in this week's issue, has had the pleasure of ringing at both St. Paul's and St. Mary's, Durban, and at Salisbury Cathedral, Southern Rhodesia, where she met Mr. Colin Stevenson, late of Harlington, Middlesex. She is due home on July 17th.

In view of his distinguished services to the Guild, Mr. R. L. Roper, of Adderbury, was elected an honorary life vice-president of the Oxford Diocesan Guild last Saturday. Mr. Roper has resigned the office of honorary librarian as he is leaving the Oxford Diocese to live in Yorkshire near his daughter and son-in-law in Wakefield. A true librarian, Mr. Roper claims to have read every copy of 'The Bell News' and 'The Ringing World.'

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## FRANK C. PRICE'S TOUR OF YORKSHIRE

ALL FOR THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
DONCASTER, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. George.  
On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 30 cwt. 17 lb. in C sharp.

WILFRID G. WILSON .. .. Treble	BERT GOGLE .. .. 5
RICHARD E. PRICE .. .. 2	DAVID J. FORDER .. .. 6
THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 3	DENNIS KNOX .. .. 7
CYRIL F. LOW .. .. 4	FRANK C. PRICE .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by DENNIS KNOX.

WAKEFIELD, Yorkshire.—At the Cathedral Church of All Saints.

On Tues., June 9, 1964, in 3 Hours and 47 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 35 cwt. 1 qr. in C sharp.

RICHARD E. PRICE .. .. Treble	THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 7
WILFRID F. MORETON .. .. 2	WILFRID G. WILSON .. .. 8
MARGARET CHAPMAN .. .. 3	DAVID J. FORDER .. .. 9
*RUTH M. FOREMAN .. .. 4	TOM CHAPMAN .. .. 10
DENNIS KNOX .. .. 5	FRANK C. PRICE .. .. 11
†CYRIL F. LOW .. .. 6	BERT GOGLE .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS (C.C.C. No. 9).

Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.

\* First peal in the method. † First on 12 bells.

WAKEFIELD, Yorkshire.—At the Strafford Arms Hotel.

On Wed., June 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor size 13 in E.

THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 1—2	DAVID J. FORDER .. .. 5—6
TOM CHAPMAN .. .. 3—4	WILFRID G. WILSON .. .. 7—8
FRANK C. PRICE .. .. 9—10	

Composed by C. CHARGE.

Conducted by FRANK C. PRICE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to H.R.H. Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh.

ROTHERHAM, Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Thurs., June 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 38 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

No. 3 version.

Tenor 34 cwt. 3 qr. in C sharp.

WILFRID G. WILSON .. .. Treble	†DENNIS KNOX .. .. 6
*TOM CHAPMAN .. .. 2	NORMAN CHADDOCK .. .. 7
†RUTH M. FOREMAN .. .. 3	JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK .. .. 8
*†DAVID J. FORDER .. .. 4	RICHARD E. PRICE .. .. 9
THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 5	§FRANK C. PRICE .. .. Tenor

Composed by FRANK E. DARBY.

Conducted by TOM CHAPMAN.

\* 50th peal together. † First in the method. ‡ First of London S. Royal. § 250th peal.

A 50th birthday compliment to Norman Chaddock.

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

On Fri., June 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb. in D.

RUTH M. FOREMAN .. .. Treble	RICHARD E. PRICE .. .. 6
DAVID J. FORDER .. .. 2	WILFRID G. WILSON .. .. 7
MARGARET CHAPMAN .. .. 3	BERT GOGLE .. .. 8
CYRIL F. LOW .. .. 4	THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 9
WILFRID F. MORETON .. .. 5	FRANK C. PRICE .. .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM PYE.

Conducted by DAVID J. FORDER.

## TWELVE AND TEN BELL PEALS

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

GREAT YARMOUTH, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 30 cwt. 60 lb. in D.

AVRIL IVIN .. .. Treble	MURRAY A. COLEMAN .. .. 7
JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. .. 2	ALAN J. FROST .. .. 8
DIANA M. FROST .. .. 3	ARTHUR GIBBS .. .. 9
SHELAGH R. COLLINS .. .. 4	BARRIE HENDRY .. .. 10
GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. 5	PATRICK I. CHAPMAN .. .. 11
GEOFFREY E. WATSON .. .. 6	STEPHEN IVIN .. .. Tenor

Composed by FRANK E. DARBY.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

First peal of Stedman Cinques rung for the Guild.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.—Cathedral Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 37 cwt. 88 lb. in D flat.

JOHN E. ANDERSON .. .. Treble	GEORGE S. DEAS .. .. 6
ERIC N. HARRISON .. .. 2	ALAN R. PATTERSON .. .. 7
*M. ELAINE MURCOIT .. .. 3	LESLIE BOUMPHREY .. .. 8
KENNETH LAWSON .. .. 4	FREDERICK ROSS .. .. 9
MICHAEL MAUGHAN .. .. 5	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH W. PARKER.

Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

\* First peal of Royal.

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

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CATERS

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

*WILFRED NEWMAN .. .. Treble	CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. 6
VALERIE WILLARD .. .. 2	†GEORGE T. COUSINS .. .. 7
IVOR GOULTER .. .. 3	†LEONARD EDWARDS .. .. 8
†CHARLES T. BURRIDGE .. .. 4	VICTOR GRIFFIN .. .. 9
PETER BAKER .. .. 5	WILLIAM A. FARMER .. .. Tenor

Composed by ANDREW S. HUDSON. Conducted by CYRIL A. WRATTEN.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters 'inside.' † First of Stedman Caters. First of Stedman Caters as conductor.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ST. LAURENCE-IN-THANET, Kent.—At the Church of St. Laurence.

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PONTEFRAC SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 16 cwt. 6 lb. in E.

ARTHUR S. RICHARDS .. .. Treble	IAN H. ORAM .. .. 6
ANN JENNER .. .. 2	DENNIS A. CHAPMAN .. .. 7
RALPH BIRD .. .. 3	STANLEY JENNER .. .. 8
DORIS E. COLGATE .. .. 4	THOMAS CULLINGWORTH .. .. 9
ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. 5	PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. Tenor

Arranged by RICHARD F. B. SPEED.

Conducted by IAN H. ORAM.

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

LONDON COUNTY ASSN. & N. SOUTHWARK DIO. GUILD.

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

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5079 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 16 cwt. 24 lb. in E.

PATRICIA ROGERS .. .. Treble	*C. MARTIN PRESS .. .. 6
*JUDITH M. GEIRINGER .. .. 2	PETER N. FELTON .. .. 7
HADLEY HUNTER .. .. 3	WILFRID G. WILSON .. .. 8
MRS. OLIVE L. ROGERS .. .. 4	HAROLD W. ROGERS .. .. 9
CHRISTOPHER H. ROGERS .. .. 5	MICHAEL T. SPRACKLING .. .. Tenor

Composed by HADLEY HUNTER. Conducted by CHRISTOPHER H. ROGERS.

\* First peal on ten bells.

Dedicated to the memory of Frederick W. Rogers, of Portsmouth.

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

NEWCASTLE, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB CATERS

Tenor 16 cwt.

*G. ARNOLD MOORE .. .. Treble	DAVID J. MIDGLY .. .. 6
ERIC YOUNG .. .. 2	RAYMOND BALLARD .. .. 7
LESLIE WALLEY .. .. 3	PHILIP GAY .. .. 8
BARNABAS J. KEY .. .. 4	IVOR R. NICHOLS .. .. 9
MARIAN KEY .. .. 5	*GEOFFREY C. BEECH .. .. Tenor

Conducted by IVOR R. NICHOLS.

\* 25th peal together. First in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

A 25th birthday compliment to L. K. Moore.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

BEDDINGTON, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5000 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

No. 3 version.

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in E flat.

ROBERT W. HINDE .. .. Treble	MICHAEL V. CHILCOTT .. .. 6
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 2	*WILLIAM T. COOK .. .. 7
*HILARY F. MARTIN .. .. 3	DAVID T. DARBY .. .. 8
*RAYMOND E. FINCH .. .. 4	JOHN SCHOFIELD .. .. 9
DAVID E. PARSONS .. .. 5	FRANK E. DARBY .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRANK E. DARBY.

\* First peal of London Surprise Royal. Robert W. Hinde has now 'circled the tower' to peals.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

PORTSMOUTH, Hampshire.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Thomas.

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 3 Hours and 35 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5057 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 25½ cwt. in E flat.

HERBERT A. MITCHELL .. .. Treble	WILLIAM F. J. COPE .. .. 6
ANTHONY R. COPE .. .. 2	ARTHUR V. DAVIS .. .. 7
HAROLD A. NOBES .. .. 3	*PHILIP STEVENS .. .. 8
WILLIAM T. BRISON .. .. 4	STANLEY G. PONTING .. .. 9
E. WINIFRED KEYS .. .. 5	ARTHUR E. HOODLESS .. .. Tenor

Composed by EDGAR C. SHEPHERD.

Conducted by ARTHUR V. DAVIS.

\* First peal in the method 'inside.'

Rung half-muffled in memoriam Frederick W. Rogers, Immediate Past Master of the Guild.



## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## THE AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ASSOCIATION.

HOBART, Tasmania.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Mon., June 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5200 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 9½ cwt. in G.

*RONALD K. RUSS .. .. Treble	WILLIAM D. WATSON .. .. 5
†LAWRENCE R. A. CURRAN .. 2	GRAEME W. HEYES .. .. 6
WILLIAM B. PITCHER .. .. 3	BRIAN R. COX .. .. 7
ENID L. ROBERTS .. .. 4	THOMAS W. GOODYER .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by THOMAS W. GOODYER.

\* 50th peal. † First of Major. First on the bells for 30 years.

HOBART, Tasmania.—At the Cathedral Church of St. David.

On Mon., June 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

*LAWRENCE R. A. CURRAN .. Treble	*WILLIAM B. PITCHER .. 5
ENID L. ROBERTS .. .. 2	BRIAN R. COX .. .. 6
RONALD K. RUSS .. .. 3	*THOMAS W. GOODYER .. 7
*GRAEME W. HEYES .. .. 4	WILLIAM D. WATSON .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by THOMAS W. GOODYER.

\* First peal of Double Norwich. First of Double Norwich as conductor. First 8-bell peal on the bells. Tenor 15 cwt. in F sharp.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

MAULDEN, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., June 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. in F sharp.

JAMES H. EDWARDS .. .. Treble	FRANK W. RIVETT .. .. 5
C. EDWARD JEFFRIES .. .. 2	ROBERT L. PIRON .. .. 6
ANTHONY H. SMITH .. .. 3	ALFRED E. RUSHTON .. 7
RONALD J. SHARP .. .. 4	STEPHEN IVIN .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.

KEMPSTON, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. in E.

JAMES G. NEWMAN .. .. Treble	RONALD J. SHARP .. .. 5
JENNIFER M. TAYLOR .. .. 2	JAMES R. TAYLOR .. .. 6
KATHLEEN A. RIVETT .. .. 3	ALFRED E. RUSHTON .. 7
SHEILA I. SMITH .. .. 4	STEPHEN IVIN .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

CREWE, Cheshire.—At Christ Church.

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 20 cwt. in E.

*HAROLD DOWLER .. .. Treble	*WALTER SHERRATT .. .. 5
*NORMAN SHERRATT .. .. 2	BARRY CORBISHLEY .. 6
F. HECTOR BENNETT .. .. 3	*ROY WORRALL .. .. 7
*BRIAN A. TOMLINSON .. .. 4	*IVOR R. NICHOLS .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSEY. Conducted by IVOR R. NICHOLS.

\* First peal in the method. Rung as a compliment to Cynthia and Roy Worrall on the birth of a daughter.

## THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

THORNABY-ON-TEES, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Paul.

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 10 cwt. in F sharp.

Parker's Twelve-Part .. .. Treble	*THOMAS M. COX .. .. 5
*DAVID DAWSON .. .. 2	JACK ROACH .. .. 6
*MARGARET WILKINSON .. 2	*THOMAS COOKE .. .. 7
†F. RAYMOND ADDISON .. 3	E. PETER ROCK .. .. Tenor
LAURA WARRIOR .. .. 4	

Conducted by THOMAS COOKE.

\* First peal. † First in the method. ‡ 25th peal together.

Rung to commemorate 50 years as a ringer at this church by the ringer of the third.

MORPETH, Northumberland.—At the Watch Tower.

## A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 26 lb. in G.

NICHOLAS I. WRIGHT .. Treble	GEORGE S. DEAS .. .. 5
M. ELAINE MURCOTT .. .. 2	ALAN R. PATTERSON .. 6
FREDERICK ROSS .. .. 3	ERIC N. HARRISON .. 7
J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. .. 4	DENIS A. BAYLES .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS. Conducted by DENIS A. BAYLES.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

FRITTENDEN, Kent.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Fri., June 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5152 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in F sharp.

REGINALD E. LAMBERT .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 5
ERNEST J. LADD .. .. 2	TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. 6
ROBERT T. LAMBERT .. .. 3	MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 7
*THOMAS E. SONE .. .. 4	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. Tenor

Composed by C. K. LEWIS. Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.

\* 550th peal of Major.

ELHAM, Kent.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 DORCHESTER SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

DAVID S. OSENTON .. .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 5
ALEXANDER WADDINGTON .. 2	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 6
MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 3	W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON .. 7
FRANK OSBALDISTON .. .. 4	TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. Tenor

Composed by ROGER BALDWIN.

Conducted by MARTIN L. HOWE.

First peal in the method by all the band.

CHERITON, Kent.—At the Church of St. Martin.

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb.

CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. Treble	DAVID S. OSENTON .. .. 5
BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 2	W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON .. 6
*ALEC W. FRY .. .. 3	MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 7
†EDWIN G. JENNER .. .. 4	FRANK OSBALDISTON .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. A. BARNETT. Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.

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

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY, Lancs.—At the Church of St. John

On Sun., June 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 VYRNWY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt.

CHRISTOPHER A. LOMAX .. Treble	JOHN P. PARTINGTON .. .. 5
DAVID VINCENT .. .. 2	BERNARD MOSS .. .. 6
MARGARET E. FORT .. .. 3	GEOFFREY FOTHERGILL .. 7
BRIAN TOMLINSON .. .. 4	JOHN ASHCROFT .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by JOHN ASHCROFT.

First peal in the method.

A compliment to Arthur Tomlinson on his 81st birthday.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

PINCHEBECK, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., June 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 9 lb. in E.

RAYMOND H. DAW .. .. Treble	DENIS WOODS .. .. 5
ROGER D. BAILEY .. .. 2	RONALD C. NOON .. .. 6
GEORGE W. MASSEY .. .. 3	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. 7
FRANK TAYLOR .. .. 4	CYRIL R. BURRELL .. .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN.

Conducted by ROGER D. BAILEY.

First peal of Surprise as conductor.

A compliment to Anne Warnes and Barry Brown on their engagement; also a birthday compliment to Canon Goodworth, Vicar of Sutterton, Lincs.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

TOTTENHAM, N.—At the Church of All Hallows.

On Fri., June 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5184 QUEDGELEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr.

THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. Treble	ANTHONY H. SMITH .. .. 5
LORNA E. SIMPSON .. .. 2	WILFRID G. WILSON .. .. 6
CLIVE W. SIMPSON .. .. 3	JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. 7
LAURENCE SMITH .. .. 4	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM.

Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

COLE-ORTON, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Thurs., June 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in G.

REV. MALCOLM MELVILLE .. Treble	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. 5
WILLIAM H. CURSON .. .. 2	DEREK P. JONES .. .. 6
DAN S. PONT .. .. 3	WILLIAM F. WOODWARD .. 7
ARTHUR E. ROWLEY .. .. 4	JOHN K. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. BURTON. Conducted by REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE.

The ringer of the sixth has now 'circled the tower.'

## THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

LLANGOLLEN, Denbighshire.—At the Church of St. Collen.

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 17½ cwt.

BESSIE A. CARTER .. .. Treble	JOHN S. DEAN .. .. 5
DAVID E. COLLINS .. .. 2	DENNIS H. B. MILLWARD .. 6
FREDERICK R. EVANS .. .. 3	JOHN W. GRIFFITHS .. .. 7
WILLIAM CATHRALL .. .. 4	GEOFFREY PARTING .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

Conducted by JOHN W. GRIFFITHS.

A compliment to Chancellor Dr. Alun Thomas, Vicar of Llangollen and president of the North Wales Association, on completing 40 years in the ministry.



THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
HETHERSETT, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Remigius.  
On Fri., June 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 KENT & OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR**  
Liketon variation. Tenor 9 cwt. 74 lb. in G.  
DAVID HEIGHTON ... Treble CLIFFORD BIRD ... 5  
PETER ADCOCK ... 2 H. WILLIAM BARRETT ... 6  
JANET H. BUSS ... 3 F. CHARLES GOODMAN ... 7  
KENNETH L. BROWN ... 4 BERT GOGLE ... Tenor

Composed by NOLAN GOLDEN (Three-Part, No. 2).

Conducted by DAVID HEIGHTON.

Rung at the invitation of the local band by St. Peter Mancroft Guild to mark 60 years as an octave and 25 years of the recast ring.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
OAKHAM, Rutland.—At the Church of All Saints.  
On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 22 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in E flat.

GRAHAM C. PAUL ... Treble	WILLIAM A. YATES ... 5
JANET I. PORTER ... 2	JAMES LINNELL ... 6
ALAN A. PAUL ... 3	CHARLES E. TRUMAN ... 7
ROGER W. SMITH ... 4	ROBIN H. ROGERS ... Tenor

Composed by C. H. MARTIN.

A compliment to Robin H. Rogers and Janet I. Porter on their engagement.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.  
GUILDFORD, Surrey.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Mon., June 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In four methods, being 1,312 Bristol and 1,280 each of London, Cambridge and Superlative; with 112 changes of method, and all the work of each method for each bell. Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in D.

E. JANE SIBSON ... Treble	STANLEY G. PONTING ... 5
JOAN BIERESFORD ... 2	FRANK J. MATTHEWS ... 6
DEREK E. SIBSON ... 3	RONALD F. DISERENS ... 7
†DOUGLAS A. R. MAY ... 4	DENNIS BIERESFORD ... Tenor

Composed by ALBERT J. PITMAN. Conducted by DENNIS BIERESFORD.

\* 500th peal. † First of 4-Spliced Surprise Major.

THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.  
LLANFIFGAN, Brecknockshire.—At the Church of St. Maughan.

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 19 lb. in G.

DONALD G. CLIFT ... Treble	*RUBEN S. CLENCH ... 5
JACK ALSOP ... 2	*SPENCER G. A. KEAR ... 6
THOMAS STEPHENS ... 3	*DAVID J. HUGHES ... 7
ROBERT STEPHENS ... 4	*LIONEL JONES ... Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

\* First peal of Major.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

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

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 8 cwt. 24 lb. in G sharp.

*GILLIAN PRITCHETT ... Treble	BERYL N. REED ... 5
FREDERICK G. HOOPER ... 2	†JOHN R. PRITCHETT ... 6
GEORGE E. FOSTER ... 3	†CYRIL H. PRITCHETT ... 7
DAVID D. PARSONS ... 4	COLIN W. REED ... Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY.

\* First peal. † First of Major.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
BASINGSTOKE, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb.

JESSIE M. KIPPIN ... Treble	PETER G. SHERWOOD ... 5
HILARY N. KIPPIN ... 2	C. KENNETH WILLIAMSON ... 6
PATRICIA E. BUSS ... 3	PETER J. JOYCE ... 7
ALAN D. EIESMORF ... 4	TOM PAGE ... Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN.

Conducted by TOM PAGE.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

TERLING, Essex.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., June 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

In seven methods: (1) London, (2) Wells, (3) York, (4) Beverley, (5) York, (6) Ipswich, (7) Cambridge. Tenor 10 cwt.

PHILIP J. ROTHERA ... Treble	JAMES L. TOWLER ... 4
MICHAEL I. COWLING ... 2	FRANK B. LUFKIN ... 5
PETER G. BROWN ... 3	GEORGE E. C. THODAY ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

SEALE, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Laurence.

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in A flat.

ERNEST GARDNER ... Treble	DENNIS G. BLOWS ... 5
*CHRISTOPHER K. HILL ... 2	†ROY COLLINS ... 5
*†PETER J. PRIVETT ... 3	DOUGLAS A. R. MAY ... Tenor

Conducted by DOUGLAS A. R. MAY.

\* First peal of Minor. † First 'inside.' ‡ 75th peal.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

HELMESHORE, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Thomas.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being two extents of Cambridge Surprise and Kent Treble Bob, and one of Oxford Treble Bob, Single Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

NORMAN SHERRATT ... Treble	PHILIP A. MASON ... 4
*CHRISTINE BIRKS ... 2	†DENNIS LATHAM ... 5
HAROLD DOWLER ... 3	WALTER SHERRATT ... Tenor

Conducted by DENNIS LATHAM.

\* First peal of Minor 'inside.' † 25th peal.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

COUNTSTHORPE, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Mon., May 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5760 JARROM SURPRISE MINOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 17 lb.

SANDRA E. CHESTERTON ... Treble	BRIAN S. CHAPMAN ... 4
J. BARRY PICKUP ... 2	JOHN M. JELLEY ... 5
RUSSELL S. MORRIS ... 3	ALAN E. HARTLEY ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN M. JELLEY.

First peal in the method.

JARROM SURPRISE MINOR

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BARKBY, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Wed., June 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 BEVERLEY SURPRISE MINOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 27 lb.

MAURICE R. A. KIRK ... Treble	J. BARRY PICKUP ... 4
GARRY W. MASON ... 2	ROBERT E. HARDY ... 5
JOHN M. JELLEY ... 3	R. KINGSLEY MASON ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN M. JELLEY.

First peal in the method by all.

SAPCOTE, Leicestershire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., June 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in A flat.

*CYNTHIA M. WELLS ... Tenor	†CHRISTOPHER M. STURGENS ... 4
*VALERIE WATTS ... 2	DAVID MANSHIP ... 5
K. PAUL GILLIVER ... 3	JOHN WATKINS ... Tenor

Conducted by JOHN WATKINS.

\* First peal of Minor. † First of Plain Bob. First as conductor.

THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

STOKE-ON-TERN, Shropshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD MINOR**

Being seven 720's, called differently. Tenor 8 cwt.

GEOFFREY C. BEECH ... Treble	RAYMOND BALLARD ... 4
LESLEY WALLY ... 2	DAVID J. MIDGELEY ... 5
ERIC YOUNG ... 3	G. ARNOLD MOORE ... Tenor

Conducted by G. ARNOLD MOORE.

First peal in the method by all the band, and on the bells.  
A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. M. Mogan for their hospitality.

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## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

CULHAM, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Paul.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (four callings). Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in C.  
 WILLIAM J. BEDDOW .. Treble † JANE A. CARRUTHERS .. 4  
 ANTHONY D. SANSOM .. 2 PETER A. SHARP .. 5  
 \* BRIAN HENSON .. 3 ROBERT G. OAKLEY .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER A. SHARP.

\* First peal. † First of Doubles.

## THE OXFORD SOCIETY.

BECKLEY, Oxon.—At the Church of St. Mary-of-the-Assumption.

On Sun., July 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in 51 methods: (1) Stedman Slow Course, (2) Coxwell Place, (3) St. Botolph, (4) St. Bartholomew, (5) Rev. All Saints, (6) St. Sebastian, (7) Spliced Plain Bob, Candlesby S.C. and Boxford, (8) Spliced Rev. Canterbury Pleasure, Ravensingham S.C. and Dorton, (9) Spliced Shipway's Place, Colnbrook S.C. and Beckingham, (10) Spliced New and Itchingfield S.C., (11) Spliced New and Forncett, (12) Spliced Huntspill and Oakley S.C., (13) Spliced Huntspill and Ellingham, (14) Spliced St. Vedast and Chipstead S.C., (15) Spliced St. Vedast and Bedingham, (16) St. Simon, (17) Spliced St. Simon and Rugby S.C., (18) Spliced St. Simon and Braywood, (19) St. Martin, (20) Spliced St. Martin and Slapton S.C., (21) Spliced St. Martin and Welford, (22) St. Osmund, (23) Spliced St. Osmund and Merton S.C., (24) Westminster 11, (25) Spliced Westminster 11 and Chisham S.C., (26) Spliced Westminster 11 and Knapton, (27) Blackburn Place, (28) Spliced Blackburn Place and Broughton S.C., (29) Spliced Blackburn Place and Lyng, (30) St. Hilary, (31) Spliced St. Hilary and Ockham S.C., (32) Spliced St. Hilary and Intwood, (33) St. Nicholas, (34) Spliced St. Nicholas and Longford S.C., (35) Spliced St. Nicholas and Fundenhall, (36) Winchendon Place, (37) Spliced Winchendon Place and Thornborough S.C., (38) Spliced Winchendon Place and Haddiscoe, (39) St. Remigius, (40) Spliced St. Remigius and Hascombe S.C., (41) Spliced St. Remigius and Harpley, (42) Grandsire: 189 changes of method. Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb. in F sharp minor.

\* HILARY F. PARDOE .. Treble | PAUL CATERMOLE .. 3  
 \* JOHN R. THORP .. 2 | BRUCE WAKEFIELD .. 4

\* JOHN S. RANK .. Tenor

Conducted by PAUL CATERMOLE.

\* Most methods rung to a peal.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

GREAT DODDINGTON, Northants.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Tues., June 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 40 extents and one 240 (ten callings). Tenor 6 cwt. 6 lb. in B.  
 ALAN A. PAUL .. Treble | GRAHAM C. PAUL .. 3  
 RONALD RUSSELL .. 2 | GEORGE F. ROOME .. 4

ROGER W. SMITH .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE F. ROOME.

Rung on the Festival of St. Columba.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

LEIGH, Staffordshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb. in F.  
 \* JOHN C. EVANS .. Treble | IAN FRIEND .. 4  
 \* EDWARD R. FAIRBROTHER .. 2 | ROGER STANLEY .. 5  
 RICHARD J. WARRILOW .. 3 | FRANK BEECH, JUN. .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK BEECH.

\* First peal of Minor. † 50th peal.

To welcome the birth of a daughter to Cynthia Warrilow.

HOAR CROSS, Staffordshire.—At the Church of the Holy Angels.

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Cambridge, Beverley, Surfleet, York, Durham, London and Wells.

Tenor 28 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in D flat.

MURIEL REAY .. Treble | EDWARD W. COLLEY .. 4  
 SUSAN FUNNELL .. 2 | RODERICK W. PIPE .. 5  
 \* PAUL W. WEBB .. 3 | \* CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. Tenor

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

\* First peal of seven Surprise Minor.

PATSHULL, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Wed., June 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven extents (different callings). Tenor 10 cwt. 21 lb.  
 \* DAVID J. BATES .. Treble | REMI M. HODISER .. 4  
 E. MARION KEY .. 2 | PHILIP G. K. DAVIS .. 5  
 BARNABAS G. KEY .. 3 | HOWARD HOWELL .. Tenor

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. † First in the method.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

ELDERSFIELD, Wores.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven differently-called extents. Tenor 21 cwt. in E.  
 RAYMOND J. ADAMS .. Treble | ARTHUR C. BERRY .. 4  
 JAMES ATTWOOD, JUN. .. 2 | PAUL CATERMOLE .. 5  
 JOHN E. WHITTALL .. 3 | JOHN S. RANK .. Tenor

Conducted by PAUL CATERMOLE.

First peal on the bells since 1932.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

WENTWORTH, Yorkshire.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In three methods, being two extents each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 12 lb. in G.  
 DAVID J. FORDER .. Treble | JOHN E. CHAPMAN .. 4  
 SANDRA CROSSLEY .. 2 | RICHARD E. PRICE .. 5  
 JOHN S. SEAGER .. 3 | MICHAEL R. MEADOWS .. Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD E. PRICE.

## NON-ASSOCIATION.

OSSETT, Yorkshire.—At the Church of the Holy and Undivided Trinity.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In three methods, being one extent of Plain Bob and three each of Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B. Tenor 9 cwt. 10 lb. in A.  
 FRED BENNETT .. Treble | † ERIC ROBINSON .. 4  
 \* PATRICIA LOCKWOOD .. 2 | † DAVID S. LOCKWOOD .. 5  
 \* IAN NORTH .. 3 | § MALCOLM L. BENNETT .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID S. LOCKWOOD.

\* First peal in three methods. † First peal. ‡ First as conductor.

§ First of Minor.

Rung as a protest to the peal booking fee introduced by the Yorkshire Association.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

WHEATHAMPSTEAD, Hertfordshire.—At Wayside Cottage.

On Fri., June 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 7 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

(\* The Cannon Peal.) Tenor size 15 in C.  
 SHEILA BROWN .. 1-2 | \* MARTYN L. J. JORDAN .. 5-6  
 GERALD PENNEY .. 3-4 | ROGER D. R. BROWN .. 7-8  
 Composed by FRANK C. W. KNIGHT. Conducted by GERALD PENNEY.  
 \* 75th peal.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

HARROW, Middlesex.—At 170, Headstone Lane.

On Tues., June 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 12 methods, comprising 640 each of Bristol, Eastcote, London and Rutland, and 320 each of Cambridge, Ealing, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative, Watford, Wembley and Yorkshire; with 139 changes of method. Tenor size 15 in C.

THOMAS J. LOCK .. 1-2 | JOHN R. MAYNE .. 5-6  
 CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY .. 3-4 | FRANK C. PRICE .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

## THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

SWANSEA, Glamorgan.—At Mor-Awelon, Lon Derw. Tycloch.

On Sun., May 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5132 SPLICED MAJOR

Being 1,500 Gainsborough Little Bob and 3,632 Plain Bob; with 130 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell. Tenor size 18 in G.

HAZEL WAY .. 1-2 | J. ARTHUR HOARE .. 5-6  
 BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 3-4 | EDMUND J. MORRIS .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

SWANSEA, Glamorgan.—At Mor-Awelon, Lon Derw. Tycloch.

On Fri., June 5, 1964, in 1 Hour and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.  
 HAZEL WAY .. 1-2 | BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 3-4  
 J. ARTHUR HOARE .. 5-6

Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

First peal in the method by all, and for the Guild.

SWANSEA, Glamorgan.—At Mor-Awelon, Lon Derw. Tycloch.

On Sun., June 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 17 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 14 in D.  
 HAZEL WAY .. 1-2 | J. ARTHUR HOARE .. 5-6  
 BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 3-4 | \* RICHARD T. SMITH .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

\* First peal on handbells.

SWANSEA, Glamorgan.—At Mor-Awelon, Lon Derw. Tycloch.

On Mon., June 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 1 Minute.

## A PEAL OF 5040 FULBECK BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.  
 HAZEL WAY .. 1-2 | BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 3-4  
 J. ARTHUR HOARE .. 5-6

Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

First peal in the method by all, and for the Guild.

## THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

SWANSEA, Glamorgan.—At Mor-Awelon, Lon Derw. Tycloch.

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 1 Hour and 51 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CANTERBURY PLEASURE BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.  
 HAZEL WAY .. 1-2 | BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 3-4  
 J. ARTHUR HOARE .. 5-6

Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

First peal in the method by all, and for the Guild.



# QUARTER PEALS

**ALREWAS, STAFFS.**—On June 7th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: Pamela Dolman 1, E. J. Dolman 2, P. Corfield 3, J. Middleton 4, G. Holden 5, E. Dolman 6. For Evensong, and as a welcome to the new Vicar, Rev. D. H. N. Wells.

**ALVERSTOKE, HANTS.**—On June 14th, 1,250 Grand-sire Triples: Delia F. Leslie 1, F. G. Barton 2, Mary Bougourd (first of Triples) 3, W. F. J. Cope 4, C. Philpott 5, R. C. Beal 6, H. A. Nobes (cond.) 7, C. Mugford (first of Triples) 8. Runz ha (muffed in memory of Mr. Frederick W. Rogers, Immediate Past Master of the Guild.

**ASHBUCKING, SUFFOLK.**—On June 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: L. P. Brain (first quarter) 1, A. T. Beckwith 2, Mrs. M. E. Egglestone 3, A. R. Bridges 4, H. W. Egglestone (cond.) 5, R. Groom (first 'inside') 6.

**BALDOCK, HERTS.**—On May 24th, 1,280 Bristol 5. Major: S. Hutton 1, L. Scoot 2, J. I. Dear 3, D. Sutcliffe 4, C. Harwood (cond.) 5, R. Trebilcock 6, E. Buck 7, J. S. Dear 8.

**BARSTON, WARWICKS.**—On June 9th, 1,260 Minor (Kent and Plain Bob): P. S. Bennett 1, W. B. R. Ellender 2, Miss Maryl R. Crossthwaite 3, J. K. Foot 4, I. C. Maycock (cond.) 5, M. C. Hughes 6. To mark the wedding of Miss Hilary M. Burrill and Mr. Cedric J. A. Goy, both ringers at Hampton-in-Arden.

**BRADPOLE, DORSET.**—On June 17th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: B. M. G. Elsworth 1, L. L. Andrews 2, D. B. Ellery 3, M. J. Hiller (first 'inside') 4, J. Davis (cond.) 5, A. D. Case 6.

**BREDENBURY, HEREFORDS.**—On June 10th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: W. Mantel 1, P. Tomkins 2, J. Thomas (cond.) 3, J. Bedford 4, R. Bethell 5, G. Corbett 6. Rung half-muffed in memoriam Miss Wall, a regular member of this church, interred this day.

**CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH, DERBYS.**—On June 6th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: C. T. Blinge 1, Joyce Grainger 2, K. R. Davenport 3, G. R. Gardner 4, A. Sharples 5, J. Robinson (cond.) 6.

**CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.**—On May 30th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: Edna Frith 1, Anne Edwards 2, P. M. Wilkinson 3, A. R. Groves 4, J. E. G. Roast 5, P. J. Eves 6, I. R. Pantom (cond.) 7, J. L. Towler 8. For Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage. Also on June 2nd, 1,277 Grand-sire Caters: T. Bassett 1, Janet Groves 2, Anne Edwards 3, L. Ainger 4, M. J. Cowling 5, P. G. Brown 6, J. Crawley 7, I. R. Pantom 8, P. J. Eves (cond.) 9, P. J. Rethera 10.

**COLCHESTER, ESSEX.**—On Whitsunday at St. Peter's, 1,264 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: E. Piper 1, H. Webb 2, E. P. Duffield 3, B. Webb 4, K. Smith 5, A. T. Beckwith 6, H. J. Millatt (cond.) 7, E. E. Davey 8. For Evensong.

**COLD HIGHAM, NORTHANTS.**—On June 13th, 1,440 Spiced Surprise Minor (eight methods): J. Linnell 1, W. J. Chester 2, R. W. Smith 3, A. A. Paul 4, C. E. Truman (cond.) 5, G. C. Paul 6.

**CRANFORD, MDX.**—On June 14th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grand-sire): C. Parker 1, Josephine Poie 2, P. Woodgryer 3, J. Brichford 4, T. Baker (cond.) 5, Mary Sadler 6. A 21st birthday compliment to T. Baker.

**DITCHLING, SUSSEX.**—On Jan. 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Major: Miss S. Rice 1, Miss A. Wright 2, Miss F. Gilbert 3, J. R. Norris 4, D. Snowsell 5, I. Pett 6, R. I. Vaughan 7, B. G. North (cond.) 8.

**EDMONTON, MIDDY.**—On June 14th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Beryl Platt (first of Stedman) 1, Sheila Moore 2, T. G. Hawkins 3, Teresa Langdon 4, M. W. Coleman 5, E. Beushamp (cond.) 6, J. Towers 7, Pat Rix 8. For Evensong.

**EPSOM COMMON, SURREY.**—On June 7th, 1,261 Mixed Minor (Little Bob, Plain Bob): D. J. K. Paul 1, Rosemary Blyth 2, Sally Parrott 3, Adrienne Gibson 4, W. Parrott 5, D. J. Hershell (cond.) 6. For Evensong, and as 21st birthday compliments to Caroline Cockman and Sylvia Marsh, local ringers.

**FARNBOROUGH, HANTS.**—On June 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Marie E. Bebb 1, Jessie M. Kippen 2, Margaret M. Lewis 3, D. A. Cox 4, P. J. Joyce 5, M. V. Cox 6. Rung as a farewell to Rev. C. Gane, curate.

**FOLKESTONE, KENT.**—On June 13th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: Anne Barber 1, A. Binfield 2, Rachel Sinden 3, Vivienne Dye 4, J. R. Hough (cond.) 5, A. P. S. Berry 6. Rung for the marriage of Angela Wellard to Antony Fisher.

**GNOSALL, STAFFS.**—On June 10th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: Mrs. E. M. Key 1, Pamela Key 2, Barbara Wiggins 3, B. G. Key (cond.) 4, I. Friend 5, J. W. Dyke 6. Rung half-muffed in memoriam J. H. Findlay, for many years tower captain and secretary P.C.C.

**GROTON, MASSACHUSETTS, U.S.A.**—On May 13th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: David C. Noyes, III 1, Viray P. Blair, III 2, Frank C. Price (cond.) 3, Warren Moiley, II 4, Hugh Auchincloss, III 5, Richard S. Minturn 6. First quarter peal by all except the conductor. Also on May 24th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: John C. Baker 1, Gardiner H. Fiske 2, Eric Q. Breidenbach 3, Thomas L. Dibble 4, Richard A. Carrier 5, Christian von E. Doering 6. Conducted by Russell S. Young. First quarter for all.

**HAWKHURST, KENT.**—On June 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (on middle six): D. Williams 1, R. W. Playford 2, Judy Bowen 3, P. D. Harrison (first 'inside') 4, L. W. Jarvis 5, A. H. Kemp 6, S. G. Waters (cond.) 7, W. Gorrage 8.

**HICKLING, NOTTS.**—On June 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Susan Horspool (first quarter) 1, Margaret C. Woodward 2, Carol P. L. Cooke 3, J. C. Hudson 4, J. Woolley (cond.) 5.

**HOLT, WILTS.**—On May 31st, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: N. Carpenter (first quarter) 1, J. Nibbs 2, S. Boswell (first 'inside') 3, D. Stillman 4, J. Stillman (cond.) 5, D. Nibbs 6.

**HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.**—On May 24th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: J. R. Norris 1, Angela Grainger 2, Frances P. Gilbert 3, B. G. North 4, S. W. Brown (cond.) 5, R. Gilbert 6. Rung on the Patronal Festival for the ordination to the priesthood, at Chichester Cathedral, of Peter Heartfield, assistant curate.

**KIMPTON, HERTS.**—On June 19th, 1,260 Doubles (two methods): Miss M. Lander 1, Mrs. H. Y. Price 2, D. L. Cull 3, F. J. Lee 4, J. G. Cull (cond.) 5, Mrs. P. Martin 6.

**KING'S LANGLEY, HERTS.**—On April 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Major: K. D. Waples 1, Miss D. Cox (first of Major) 2, R. W. R. Picton 3, D. J. Goodman 4, D. A. Bedford 5, P. W. Harper 6, R. J. Picton 7, B. M. Barker (cond.) 8. For Evensong. Also on May 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. A. Bedford 1, R. W. R. Picton 2, K. D. Waples 3, P. W. Harper 4, B. M. Barker 5, D. J. Goodman 6. Rung non-conducted and silent for Parish Communion on Ascension Day.

**LAKENHEATH, SUFFOLK.**—On May 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. E. Peachey 1, W. Dodds 2, Miss D. Reeve 3, H. Fuller 4, G. Miller 5, J. Paul (cond.) 6. For Evensong, and as a welcome to the new Rector (Rev. W. A. C. Ullathorne).

**LIMPSFIELD CHART, SURREY.**—On June 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. Tidy (first quarter) 1, D. Sumner 2, R. Stephens 3, E. Jarrett 4, W. Tidy 5, J. Weller (cond.) 6. Also 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: W. Paternoster 1, Mary Stephens 2, G. Cook 3, M. Tidy (first 'inside') 4, R. Stephens 5, J. Weller (cond.) 6. Both for the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Tidy.

**LOCKING, SOMERSET.**—On June 7th, 1,260 Doubles (11 methods): J. Lamard 1, Marjorie Legg (cond.) 2, June Legg 3, J. Coombs 4, G. Prescott 5, A. Skinner 6. First in 11 methods by 1, 3, 4 and 6. For Matins.

**LOWER BEEDING, SUSSEX.**—On May 30th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: Catherine M. Powell 1, Angela M. Wright 2, R. J. Store 3, P. J. Came 4, Angela Grainger 5, J. R. Norris 6, M. J. Bew (first of Major) 7, B. G. North (cond.) 8.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On June 21st, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): A. Neilson 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, Myrtle Cook 3, H. P. Yates (cond.) 4, R. P. Brotherton 5, R. Gemmel (first quarter) 6. For Evensong.

**MIDDLETON STONEY, OXON.**—On June 18th, 1,440 Minor (720 Oxford T.B., 720 St. Clement's): C. C. Clarke 1, Diana French 2, C. H. Kinch 3, L. A. Busby 4, E. G. Jones 5, R. A. Reeves (cond.) 6.

**NEMPETH THURBELL, SOMERSET.**—On June 14th, 1,260 Doubles (Grand-sire and Plain Bob): M. Hebden 1, G. Hebden 2, M. Dodson 3, R. Rice 4, W. Rice (cond.) 5, C. Horne 6. For morning service.

**OLD WARDEN, BEDS.**—On June 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Valerie J. Hall 1, Ruth M. Parslow 2, Susan H. Jackson 3, Rita K. Dudley 4, A. W. Jeffs (cond.) 5, K. E. Jackson 6. First quarter 1, 2 and 3. Rung by Leighton Buzzard ringers.

**OXFORD.**—At the Church of St. Thomas the Martyr, on June 7th, 1,260 Doubles (April Day, Grand-sire, Plain Bob): Miss A. M. Baldwin 1, M. R. Ashmore 2, Miss M. A. Muir 3, P. H. P. Harris 4, B. Wakefield (cond.) 5, J. M. Preston 6. Also on June 14th, 1,440 Minor (Kent and Oxford T.B., Cambridge S.): G. R. Mordaunt 1, B. Wakefield 2, Miss M. A. Muir 3, Miss H. F. Pardoe 4, P. Cattermole 5, J. W. Thorp (cond.) 6.

**PADBURY, BUCKS.**—On May 17th, 1,260 Doubles: W. Thatcher 1, W. A. Yates 2, R. A. Vickers (cond.) 3, F. Vickers 4, C. Gough 5, A. Thatcher 6. For Evensong.

**PRITTEWELL, ESSEX.**—On June 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Major: A. W. Cansdale 1, Mrs. J. Brown 2, Miss P. Halliwell 3, J. Belcham 4, B. C. Sadler 5, P. Sadler 6, J. Brown 7, F. B. Luffin (cond.) 8. Rung for the baptism of Matthew Stuart, son of 2nd and 7th ringers, grandson of the conductor.

**ROCHESTER, KENT.**—At St. Margaret's on May 23rd, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: Rev. P. N. Bond 1, D. S. Osenon 2, M. C. Layton 3, C. T. Osenon 4, G. Philpot 5, L. Crouch 6, C. S. Jarrett (cond.) 7, G. Partington 8. A wedding compliment to Mr. Gareth Evans and Miss Gillian Parkes, ringer and choir member at this church.

**ROCHESTER, KENT.**—At the Cathedral on May 24th, 1,259 Grand-sire Caters: C. E. J. Norris 1, Mrs. P. A. Corby 2, Miss J. Corby 3, A. J. Corby 4, C. T. Osenon 5, D. S. Osenon 6, P. A. Corby 7, M. C. Layton 8, C. S. Jarrett (cond.) 9, L. Crouch 10. A wedding compliment to Mr. G. Evans and Miss G. Parkes, members of the local band.

**ROMFORD, ESSEX.**—On June 9th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: A. Weall (first quarter) 1, Miss A. Rowland (first 'inside') 2, Mrs. M. Poolman 3, F. Markham 4, D. Heath 5, E. Williams (cond.) 6, W. Poolman 7, H. Perry 8. A wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Anderson.

**SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP, SOMERSET.**—On June 13th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): 1. Cox (first away from cover, age 13) 1, J. E. Newman 2, J. Cornelius (cond.) 3, D. A. Burt 4, A. F. Lee 5, J. Thompson (first quarter, age 12) 6, M. Hawkins (age 14) 7, R. Coles (age 13) 8.

**TONBRIDGE, KENT.**—On June 21st, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: Heather J. Newman (first quarter) 1, Sheila M. Dobbie 2, Hilary A. Swallow 3, Margaret A. Ladd 4, R. A. Large 5, G. Fry 6, W. H. Dobbie (cond.) 7, W. Rogers 8. For Evening Prayer.

**WANDSWORTH.**—On June 20th, at Holy Trinity Church, West Hill, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: Bernice Nichol 1, Wendy Griffin 2, Patricia Robinson 3, Alison Mann 4, Margaret Fort (cond.) 5, Angela Barnes 6. Rung by members of Whitelands College, Putney. Also on June 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Bernice Nichol 1, Wendy Griffin 2, Pat Robinson 3, Jean Egerton 4, J. E. Reed 5, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 6, R. G. Twyman (covering) 8. First of Minor 1, 2, 5, and by Society. For Evensong on Trinity IV.

**WAREHAM, DORSET.**—On May 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Ruth A. Elmes 1, P. R. Keough (first 'inside') 2, G. W. Elmes 3, J. W. Blackwood 4, M. J. Young (cond.) 5, C. T. Brown 6. For Evensong. Also on June 21st, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: Ruth A. Elmes (first of Triples) 1, Mikaela Erik 2, Judith A. Robertson 3, C. T. Brown 4, M. J. Young 5, R. W. Young 6, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 7, V. J. Baker 8. For Evensong.

**WARMINSTER, WILTS.**—On June 16th, 1,260 Bristol Surprise Major: E. E. Norris 1, F. C. Shepherd 2, D. J. Orledge 3, D. A. Burt 4, N. G. N. Knee 5, B. C. Strand 6, G. W. Massey (cond.) 7, D. T. H. Robertson 8. First in method 1, 4, 5, 6 and 8. Rung by the Warmminster and Frome area Surprise practice band.

**WETHERDEN, SUFFOLK.**—On June 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. R. E. Lester 1, Alice E. J. Lester (cond.) 2, E. J. Lockwood 3, H. A. Mitson 4, F. Borley 5, E. A. Cracknell 6. To mark the arrival in Wetherden of the Jubilee Cross and Arrows.

**WIMBLEDON, SURREY.**—On June 14th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: Judith Gefring 1, Elizabeth Zass 2, Rosamund Rawlins 3, Vanessa Roderiques 4, A. Bishop 5, Deborah Hopkins 6, A. Bagworth 7, R. Reynolds (first as cond.) 8.

**WINCHESTER, HANTS.**—On June 21st, at St. Mary's College Chapel, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: D. Humphrey 1, M. D. Roal 2, R. H. Youdale 3, R. Dyckhoff 4, C. W. Daws (cond.) 5, J. E. Spice 6. First of Surprise 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

**WITHAM, ESSEX.**—On Whit Sunday, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss W. Mellin 1, J. Warner 2, R. Dorking 3, B. H. Crook 4, T. Monk 5, W. Butler 6, H. Dorking 7, A. Pigott (cond.) 8. For morning service and as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

## LATE NEWS

Mr. R. A. Strong, for 60 years a member of the Saffron Walden Society, died on June 26th, aged 79.



## NOTICES

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### BIRTH

WINDSOR.—On June 25th, 1964, to Joyce and Harry, God's gift of a daughter (Ann Elizabeth), a sister for Christopher. 4954

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

COLLINS.—The address of Miss Monica E. Collins is now 75, Swayne Avenue, Rose Park, South Australia. 4931

### PERSONAL

Will C. K. Cooper, Y.M.C.A., Mount Pleasant, Liverpool 3, and Mr. K. R. Ward, 5, Westgate, Chichester, please send their addresses to the Editor. Their copies of the 'R.W.' have been returned marked 'Gone away.'

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MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—There will be no practice meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields during July or August.—T. J. Lock. 4930

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Surprise Royal practice at St. Nicolas', Guildford on Tuesday, July 7th, from 7.30 prompt until 9 p.m. Methods: Cambridge, London No. 3 and Yorkshire. All welcome. 4923

OLD WOKING, SURREY.—Practice is now on Thursdays from 8.30 to 9 p.m. 4924

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Honorary General Secretary and Treasurer: Andrew T. Beckwith, 76 Digby Road, Ipswich. 4917

TEIGNMOUTH S. DEVON.—Sunday ringing at St. Michael's (on the sea front) at 8.15 p.m. for the 9 p.m. holidaymakers service during the summer, in addition to the usual ringing at 9.30 a.m. and 5.45 p.m. 4932

### BACK NUMBERS

'The Ringing World' has received a very generous gift of back numbers dating from 1919 to 1959. While some are brown with the passing of years, the majority are clean and serviceable. We propose to offer these to readers who want to complete their files. The charge will be 8d. per copy post free.

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL.—The usual Wednesday practice for July 22nd will instead be on Tuesday, July 21st. All applications for bells (including peals) to Dennis B. Brown, Lower Captain, 3, Moss Road, Winnall, Winchester, and not Dean and Chapter. 4922

WORCESTER CATHEDRAL.—Owing to the number now on the waiting list for peal attempts, it is requested that no more applications be made before 1970.—D. Beacham, Hon. Sec. 4925

### MEETINGS

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—Business meeting, Saturday, July 4th, Stagsden, Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Further ringing after tea. Special methods: Double Court and Primrose. Bring your own food, cups of tea provided (picnic on Vicarage lawn). 4937

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Quarterly meeting at Nuneaton on Saturday, July 4th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. 4891

CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WEST-MORLAND ASSOCIATION.—A practice meeting of the Western Branch will be held at Aspatria, on July 4th. Bells available 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names for tea by July 2nd, to Mr. G. T. Hodgson, 10, North View, Aspatria.—M. K. Dent, Branch Sec. 4928

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Meeting, Fordham, Saturday, July 4th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Special methods: Double Oxford and York Surprise. 4945

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Gloucester Branch.—Meeting at Churchdown, July 4th at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—A. Crawley, Hon. Sec. 4945

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Combined practice at Bentley (6) on July 4th, from 6 to 9 p.m.—D. P. Elsmore, Hon. Sec. 4919

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Quarterly meeting, Knebworth, July 4th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Own tea arrangements.—E. Buck, Dis. Sec. 4938

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Watford District.—Meeting at Elstree on July 4th. Caution, this meeting might be changed.—A. Fensome, Dis. Sec. 4938

### KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION—

Ringers' Rally on Saturday, July 4th, 1964, centred on Maidstone. Service, tea and no business. Ringing in 16 towers. Please send 3s. 6d. and s.a.c. for tea tickets and programme to Mr. T. A. Cross, 46, Anglesey Avenue, Maidstone.—P. A. Corby, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4853

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Lancaster Branch.—Meeting at Silverdale on Sat., July 4th. Bells (6) from 2.30. Names for tea to Mr. W. Bolton, Kirkmeade, Cove Road, Silverdale, Carnforth, Lancs.—P. Handley, Branch Sec. 4958

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern Branch.—Meeting, Rippingale, Saturday, July 11th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 5. Names for tea to Mr. W. Marsh, 163, Station Street, Rippingale, Bourne, Lincs, by Monday, July 6th.—F. G. Vickers, Hon. Sec. 4916

MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD and LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Loughborough District).—Joint meeting at Ashby-de-la-Zouch on July 4th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea in Parish Room 5 p.m. 4873

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.—Quarterly meeting at Coleshill, July 4th. Bells (8) available 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Please notify for tea.—G. F. Fearn, 93, Etwell Road, Hall Green, Birmingham 28. Phone SPR 1025. 4824

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bingham and Nottingham Districts.—Joint meeting at Cotgrave, July 4th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—R. Blackshaw. 4896

### SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—

Northern Division.—Practice meeting at Fletching (not Ardingly), Saturday, July 4th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Picnic tea.—Mrs. E. L. Hairs, Hon. Div. Sec. 4892

BARNESLEY DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting to be held at East Ardsley, nr. Wakefield, on Sat., July 11th. Bells 2.30. Cups of tea provided, please bring food.—J. W. Buxton, Hon. Sec. 4933

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Frome Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Compton Dando, Sat., July 11th. Bells (6) 3. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mrs. Frith, Vicarage, Compton Dando, nr. Bristol.—E. Chivers, Chilcompton. 4933

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Monthly meeting, Hutton Cranswick (6), Sat., July 11th, from 2.30. Service 4.15. Names for tea (5 p.m.) by July 9th, to Rev. G. Storer, The Vicarage, Hutton Cranswick, Driffield. 4939

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northwich Branch.—Meeting at Great Budworth on Sat., July 11th. Bells (8) 3. Service 4.30. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to Mr. John Scott, 54, High Street, Great Budworth, nr. Northwich. 4939

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cambridge District.—Meeting at Bourn (8), Sat., July 11th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—B. D. Threlfall, Dis. Sec. 4948

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Quarterly meeting at Bentley Common, July 11th. Bells (5) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Shenfield (6) available from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss B. Fisher, 49, Hatch Road, Brentwood. 4899

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Swindon Branch.—Meeting, July 11th, Evening ringing only from 6 p.m. South Marston (6). 4944

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.—N.E. Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Kentisbeare (6) on Saturday, July 11th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and business meeting after. Names for tea to G. W. Hollis, Roseneath, The Avenue, Tiverton, by Wednesday previous, please. 4910

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bridgnorth District.—An evening meeting will be held at Coalbrookdale (10), Sat., July 11th, 6–8 p.m.—V. Edge, Dis. Sec. 4957

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—Meeting, Sat., July 11th, at Northaw (6). Ringing from 3. Tea and business meeting 4.15, at 'The Sun.' Special business: election of new District Secretary and discussion of the future of the district. All district members are asked to make a special effort to attend. 4938

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—Quarterly meeting at Hoo on July 11th (please note change of date). Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify Mrs. A. Vidgeon, Whitehouse Farm, Hoo, Rochester, by previous Saturday.—L. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec. 4907

LADIES' GUILD.—Annual general meeting, Macclesfield, July 11th. Committee meeting 1 p.m. (Parish Rooms). Service 3.30, St. Michael's. Tea 4.30, followed by meeting. Names for tea, please, with cash (4s. 6d. each) to Mrs. H. L. Horn, 13, Cherington Crescent, Macclesfield, by Monday, July 6th. No name no tea. Towers available: 10–11 a.m., Bollington. Congleton: 10.30–11.30, Gawsorth; 11 a.m.–noon, Prestbury; 10.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m., Nether Alderley, Sutton, Chelford; 1.30–3.15, St. Peter's, Christ Church; 6. St. Michael's, Christ Church, St. Peter's; 7 p.m., Bollington, Prestbury, Gawsorth, Congleton, Chelford, Sutton. 4869

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Furness and Lake District Branch.—Meeting on Sat., July 11th, at Langdale. Bells (6) 2.30. Names for tea by Wed., July 8th, please, to Mr. F. Birkett, Bracgarth, Elterwater, nr. Ambleside.—T. F. Metcalfe. 4956

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch.—Meeting on Sat., July 11th at Halewood Ringing 2.30. Service 4. Tea 4.30, followed by business meeting. Names to J. Robinson, Field Cottage, Church Road, Halewood. 4952

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—Meeting at Christ Church, Todmorden, on Sat., July 11th. Bells (23 cwt., 8) 3. Cups of tea 5. No business. Everybody welcome.—J. P. Partington. 4936



**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Quarterly meeting. Market Harborough District. July 11th. Ringing: Foxton (6), Lubenham (5), Oxendon (5), Great Bowden (6), 3-4 p.m.: Market Harborough (8), 3-4.10 and evening. Service. Market Harborough, 4.15 p.m. Tea and meeting in Old Grammar School. Names to Mr. R. Binley, 32a, Coventry Road, Market Harborough. Leics, by July 8th.—B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen. Sec.

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.**—Monmouth Branch.—Meeting at Bassaleg. July 11th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea as soon as possible, please.—King. The Cedar Tiles, High Beech Lane, Chepstow. 4908

**LONDON COUNTY AND MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS.**—Joint meeting. July 11th. St. Nicolas, Chiswick, 3 to 3.30; St. Mary, Mortlake, 2.30 to 4; St. Mary, Barnes, 3.30 to 4.30. Tea and handbells, Church Hall, South Street, Isleworth at 5. All Saints', Isleworth, 6.30 to 8. Names for tea to H. W. Rogers, 53, The Grove, Isleworth (ISL 3921), by Wed., July 8th, please. 4951

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Banbury and District Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Deddington (D.V.), on Sat., July 11th. Bells (8) 2.30. Service 4. Tea, followed by business, 4.45. Names for tea by Tuesday, July 7th, to Mr. C. C. Clarke, High Street, Deddington, Oxford. 4950

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Thrapston Branch.—Meeting Great Addington (6), July 11th. Ringing 3.30. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Miss C. Sharman, Ringstead Road, Great Addington, Kettering. No names, no tea.—F. Coales, Sec. 4949

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wimborne Branch.—Quarterly meeting, July 11th. Swanage, Bells 3 and 7. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Names by Wed., 8th, to Mr. R. Dawer, 2, Oxford Terrace, Lowlease, Swanage, Dorset. 4927

**SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at High Ercall on Sat., July 11th. Bells (8) available 3. Service 4.30. Names for teas, please, by Tues., July 7th, to Mr. T. Breeze, 8, Walton, High Ercall, Wellington, Salop. Ringing after tea until 8 o'clock.—E. Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4935

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Quarterly meeting, July 11th. Ringing: St. Stephen's, Rochester Row, 3—4.30; St. Luke's, Chelsea, 7—8. Tea, South Kensington Restaurant, 5. Names for tea to F. J. Matthews, 6, Foxwood Road, Bean, nr. Dartford, Kent. 4940

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Notts District.—Crawford Cup contest and meeting at Gamston. Sat., July 11th, evening at 6.30.—H. Denman. 4943

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Quarterly meeting at Wimbledon, Saturday, July 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by meeting and tea. Evening ringing at West Hill (Wandsworth). Names for tea by previous Wednesday to A. Bagworth, 37, Cliveden Road, S.W.19.—B. Bull, Asst. Sec.

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southampton District.—Quarterly meeting at East Tytherley on Saturday, July 11th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting follows. Names for tea by July 8th to Mr. J. Sparkes, Queenwood Avenue, Broughton, Stockbridge.—M. J. Thomas, Dis. Sec. 4905

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chertsey District.—Combined practice at Chobham on Monday, July 13th. Bells (8) available from 7 p.m. All welcome. 4942

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch.—Evening practice meeting at Fakenham, Wed., July 15th. Bells (8) 6.30—9. Every ringer welcomed.—C. Tovell, Hon. Sec. 4953

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Wroxall (8), Sat., July 18th. Bells available 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5, followed by business. Names for tea, please, to D. G. Yeo, Estune, Brockway, Nailsea. 4835

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## OUR AMERICAN SUPPLEMENT

The Editor thanks those who have sent appreciative letters in connection with Mr. G. W. Pipe's graphic story and photographs of the Washington visit.

Copies of the issue of June 12th are still available at the usual price.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—Meeting at Cheriton, Sat., July 18th (note change from previously agreed venue). Bells (8) 3. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. W. Chandler, 2, Alma Road, Cheriton, by previous Thursday. Newington bells available after tea.—C. T. H. 4934

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—Quarterly meeting, All Saints', Birchington, Saturday, July 18th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea at 2s. 6d. per person. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. H. Luck, 57, Kent Gardens, Birchington (together with cash), not later than July 15th.—T. C. P.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Devon Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Dartmouth, July 18th. Ringing: St. Petrox, 2—3.30; St. Clement's, 3.30—6.30; St. Saviour's, 7—8. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names for tea by Thursday, July 16th, to Miss V. Goss, 30, Raleigh Close, Dartmouth. 4920

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—Half annual meeting at St. Michael's, Ashton, on Sat., July 18th. Bells (13) at 2.30. Service 4. Free tea in Church House, 5, for those notifying Derek Marshall, 113, Mossley Road, Ashton-under-Lyne, phone ASH 1696, before previous Thursday. Business meeting after tea. Everyone welcome.—Neil Bennett, Sec. 4946

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—Quarterly meeting, July 18th, at Honingham. Bells (6) from 2.30. Service 4.15. Ringing at Mattishall in the evening. Names for tea to Mr. B. W. Willgress, 24 Mill Lane, Honingham, Norwich, NOR 55X.—C. Bird, Hon. Sec. 4955

## LATE NOTICES

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—Flamstead (6), July 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. E. Smith, 'Rose Cottage', Flamstead. 4960

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—Meeting and striking competition. Penwortham, Saturday, July 11th. Refreshments provided. Names, please, to Mr. Arthur Richard Price, 14, Walton Avenue, Penwortham, Preston.—L. Walmsley. 4961

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Kettering Branch.—Meeting at Stoke Albany (6), July 18th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Wilbarston (5) available after tea. Names for tea, please, to M. Coleman, 16, Greening Road, Rothwell. All welcome. 4959

## MR. A. JAMES POYNER'S 300 PEALS

Mr. A. James Poyner, of Aylestone, Leicestershire, completed his 300 peals on Good Friday at Aylestone. His list is appended. Except where stated, there is one peal in each method.

Maximus.—Yorkshire S., New Durham S., Lindsey S. Total 3.

Cinques.—Stedman, Total 1.

Surprise Royal.—Anstey, Asfordby, Blaby, Cambridge 5, Diseworth, Elmesforpe, Foston, Glenfield, Hemmington, Horninghold, Istock, Jacobstowe, Knaptoft, Lincolnshire, Lubbesthorpe, Leicester, Morriston, Noseley, Osgathorpe, Primethorpe, Quedgeley, Queeniborough, Ravenstone, Shackerstone, Thrusington, Ulverscroft, Verdon, Wellsborough, Woodstock, Wye, Xanthi, Xaymaca, Yelvertoft, Yorkshire 5. Zouche, Total 43.

Other Royal.—Kent T.B. 2 (conducted 1). Oxford T.B., Plain Bob 8, Little Bob 3, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, 3 methods spliced. Total 17 (1).

Caters.—Grandsire 5, Stedman 2. Total 7. Surprise Major.—Aldenhams, Aylestone (1), Belgrave, Bottesford, Braunstone, Bristol 2, Cambridge 19 (4), Derby, Derwent, Dorchester, Feering, Gainsborough, Lincolnshire 4, London 4 (1), Llanfair P.G., Moira, Nailstone, Osgathorpe, Quenby, Quedgeley, Rugby, Rutland, Rothley, Southwell, Stratford, Superlative 6, Turramurra, Ullesthorpe, Ventnor, Wye, Wembley, Xenia, Yorkshire 22 (2), Zelah, 2-spliced, 3-spliced. Total 89 (8).

Other Major.—Kent T.B. 2, Double Norwich 2, St. Clement's, Plain Bob 19 (2), Loughborough 1, Spliced Plain and Little Bob 2. Total 27 (2).

Triples.—Stedman 14 (1), Grandsire 9, Plain Bob, Total 24 (1).

Minor.—Cambridge S. 4 (3), London S. 2 (1), York S. 1 (1), Sedlescombe S. 1 (1), Durham S. 1 (1), Xingu S., Crayford College, Grandsire 1 (1), Kent T.B. 1 (1), Oxford T.B. 2 (1), Plain Bob 12 (6), Warwick Delight, 2 methods 7 (6), 3 methods 6 (3), 4 methods 2 (1), 5 methods 4 (3), 6 methods 6 (3), 7 methods 1, 9 methods 2 (1), 10 methods 1, 12 methods 1, 13 methods 1, 14 Surprise methods 1. Total 60 (33).

Doubles.—Stedman 1 (1), Grandsire 2 (2), April Day 2 (1), Reverse St. Bartholomew, St. Martin's, Winchendon Place, 3 methods 2 (1), 4 methods 1 (1), 5 methods 2 (1), 7 methods 2, 15 methods 1, 20 methods 1, 21 methods 1, 27 methods 2, 33 methods 2 (1), 35 methods 1, 37 methods 1, 39 methods 1 (1), 40 methods 2 (2), 42 methods, 1. Total 28 (11).

Minimus.—Plain Bob (handbells) 1. Grand total 300, conducted 56.

## THE LADIES' GUILD

### Western District

A very warm welcome awaited the Western District at Banwell for their quarterly meeting on June 13th. Local ringers were present to introduce them to these fine bells. The Vicar, the Rev. J. Bromwich, conducted the service and gave a most stimulating address. The organist was there to accompany the singing, the ladies of the parish had prepared a really sumptuous tea, but the attendance was rather disappointing.

At the short business meeting the secretary pointed out an alteration in the circulated programme—the next quarterly meeting will be at Compton Martin on September 12th, while the December meeting will be at Beckington. The secretary also drew attention to the evening practices to be held at Portbury on July 17th and Kewstoke on August 17th.

It was agreed that Mrs. Parfrey, Mrs. de Jong, Mrs. Bennet and Miss Johnson should represent the Western District at the annual meeting at Macclesfield.

As it would appear that a very warm welcome awaits the Ladies' Guild at Compton Martin, it is to be hoped that all members will make a real effort to be present.

M. de J.



## COMPOSITIONS

## 5,184 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

(9 METHODS)

By NORMAN SMITH

Methods	M	B	W	H	23456
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AABYNP	—	—	2	—	34562
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By STEPHEN IVIN

23456 B M W H

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45623	X	—	—
52436	X	—	—
35426	—	—	—
24653	—	—	—
45236	X	—	—
34256	—	—	—
53246	—	—	—
23645	—	—	—

Repeat twice.

F.C.H.'s 24365, 34562, 46325, 54263, 62345.

CLIFFORD, HEREFORDS.—On June 16th, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): Miss D. M. Bird 1, H. L. Hatfield (first 'inside') 2, E. J. Smith 3, M. T. Johns 4, C. A. Lewis (cond.) 5, D. H. Watkins 6.

LONDON.—At St. Clement Danes' on June 14th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: J. Tomsett 1, M. Hatchett 2, C. A. Hughes 3, M. Sprackling (cond.) 4, A. M. Stacey 5, P. N. Felton 6, W. Oatway 7, A. Fulwell 8, W. G. Wilson 9, N. F. Felton 10. For Matins.

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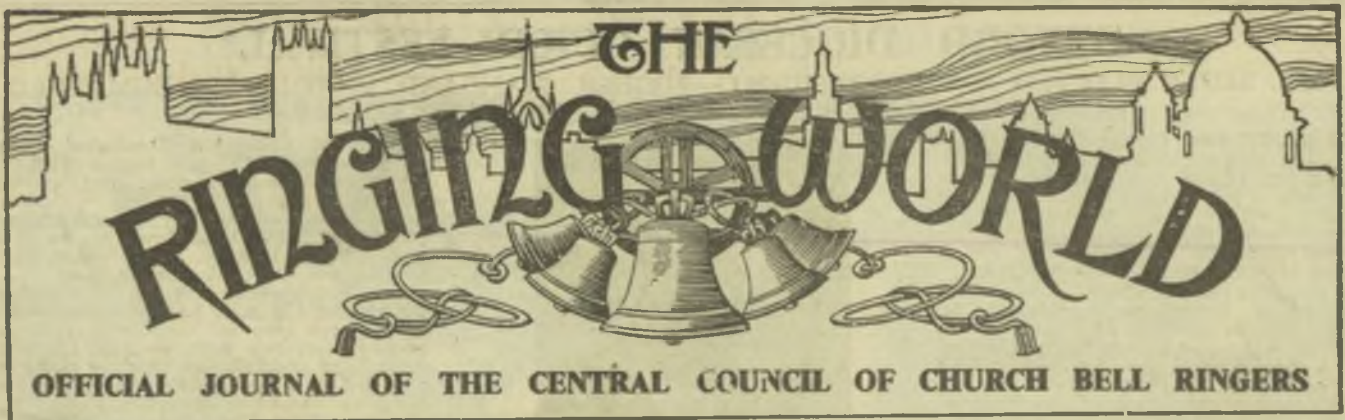
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## COMMEMORATING A CENTENARY

**MR.** Frederick Sharpe's book on 'The Church Bells of Guernsey, Alderney and Sark' was intended to mark the centenary of the first book on English church bells, by W. C. Lukis, published in 1857. He had visited these Channel Islands twice, in 1952 and 1956, and on the second occasion made notes on the bells in 18 churches and took rubbings and photographs of most of them. His election as president of the Central Council in 1957, which extended over a period of six years, left him no spare time, and it was not until 1963 that he could complete the manuscript.

Two of our noted antiquarians—the Rev. W. C. Lukis and Dr. Amherst D. Tyssen—had made surveys of Guernsey bells. Mr. Lukis left behind details of 29 bells in Guernsey, and Dr. Tyssen, after a visit in 1907, left notes and rubbings of the bells in ten ancient parish churches. Of the 29 mentioned by Lukis, 45 per cent. have perished, and of 30 described by Tyssen, Mr. Sharpe records that 27 per cent. have been melted down. There are 62 bells in the 18 churches in Guernsey, and these come under the following classification: Rings of eight, six and four bells, one each; four rings of three bells; a chime of 11 bells; four chimies of three bells; one of two bells, and seven single bells. Chronologically, the classification is mediæval, 2; 17th century, 5; 18th century, 8; 19th century, 19; modern, 18; of uncertain age, 10.

The history of the Channel Islands is reflected in the bells. The oldest bell is in the Church of St. Philip, Torveval, and is dated 1432 and is thought to be of French origin for two reasons. Gothic characters used in the inscription were not in use at that time by English founders, and by the French word 'lan' introduced into the inscription. The other mediæval bell is the treble of three bells at St. Pierre-du-Bois. This was cast in the mediæval Exeter foundry, and the book is enriched by a chapter written by the Rev. John G. M. Scott on this foundry. The bell, states Mr. Scott, belongs to the first group of coin-bearing bells and was probably cast by Robert Russell between 1486 and 1504. There were also three Exeter bells in the Church of St. Michael, Vale. These bells were, however, recast by John Warner and Sons in 1891, making a ring of six with a tenor of 7½ cwt. A tablet in the church records the original inscriptions.

To the peal-ringing fraternity Vale is not an 'unconquered' tower. A peal in seven Minor methods was rung here in 1959 by Messrs. A. P. Cannon, W. S. Deason, Robin G. Leale, Philip Mehew, E. J. Munday and John D. Rock. The same band had a second success on the island of Alderney by ringing a peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor. Alderney was originally a Mears ring of six

of 1849. They were removed during the German occupation, the intention being to turn them into munitions. Happily, peace came; for a time the bells were hung in the churchyard and were struck for service. John Taylor and Co. recast the bells in 1953 to commemorate the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II, and they were rehung in the central tower.

French bells are plentiful on Guernsey. Seven were cast between 1680–85 by Paul Bowidon, whom Tyssen considers learned the art of bell-founding from a French founder. The conclusion is that he carried on his business in the island, but it is significant that 60 years before there was a J. Bowidon and Le Jeune Bowidon casting bells in Normandy. However, the genuine French products are the 12 bells cast by Brocards of Lorraine in 1736, but the view of Tyssen was that the actual casting was done in Guernsey by a member of the firm. The Brocards had many noted bells to their credit: the bourdon of Poitiers Cathedral, the town bell of Rennes and at Bayeux Cathedral. A clockmaker, Nicholas Blondel, cast the bell for St. Sampson's in 1759, and it is similar in style, moulding and inscriptions to the Brocard bells.

The only ring of eight is in St. Peter's Church, St. Peter's Port, and these were cast by the Brocards. The tenor was of a ton and the treble as light as 2 cwt. 3 qr. Dr. Tyssen, in his notes, comments that the trebles were cast far too thin and light for swinging bells and were more suitable for chimies and carillons. The bell rope circle is anti-clockwise and there is an Ellacombe chiming apparatus. A new ring of eight was recast by Cornille-Havard, of Villedieu, France, in 1913. They have ornamental canons of the French type and the inscription bands are filled with ornamental borders.

Messrs. Mears and Stainbank are represented by a chime of 11 bells at the R.C. Church of St. Joseph, by three bells at St. Mary's, Castel, and as far back as 1778 they recast the three bells at St. Andrew's Church. There are also 11 from the Cripplegate foundry of Messrs. J. Warner and Sons.

The value of this book is enhanced by the extensive introduction occupying some 12 pages, in which the author summarises the history of bell-founding and the development into change-ringing. It is purposely included to add to the appeal of the book to the non-ringing fraternity, and we cannot recall having read better-made material for a lecture than Mr. Sharpe here provides. We feel certain that many of our readers will find it most useful.

This book is very well illustrated with 23 plates and 14 scale drawings, and is obtainable from the author, Frederick Sharpe, 'Derwen,' Launton, Bicester, Oxon; price 8s. 6d.



## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD FESTIVAL

MR. ROPER ELECTED A VICE-PRESIDENT—HIGHER STANDARD IN BELFRIES DEMANDED  
'LEADERS SHOULD BE CHURCHMEN FIRST AND FOREMOST'

**A**LTHOUGH New College and Magdalene bells were not available because of bell-hanging and Merton had a special function where only a picked band rung, there was a substantial list of towers available for the Oxford Diocesan Guild Festival on June 27th and the same large happy throng of ringers to take advantage of the facilities afforded.

As in recent years proceedings started with a Corporate Communion service in St. Aldate's Church, at which the Master (Canon C. Elliot Wigg) was the celebrant. The service in the Cathedral was also conducted by the Master with the Deputy Master (Mr. F. Sharpe) reading the lesson. The choir of ringers, with the Guild's banner held aloft, made an impressive procession and the singing was full-throated, the team spirit of ringers being well manifested.

Canon E. W. Perkins, chairman of the East Berks Branch and Rector of Slough, was the preacher. As the father of a daughter who rang he denied emphatically that he commented on her ringing that she rang harder and faster than anyone else in the tower! 'I know it is a principle of your craft that you can never be a good bell-ringer unless you have learned to ring with other people and learned the discipline of serving with other people.'

The loss of happiness through disobedience was one of the oldest things in their religion. The Bible began with an extraordinarily entrancing story of great truth and insight. The story of Eden was that there was one thing required in life—that they should be obedient to the will of God. Then came the great temptation—the temptation that had beset man throughout history—the voice of the serpent. 'Don't believe it. Why should you trust Him? Be independent. Live in your own right and be free.'

### ROSY APPLES OF TODAY

They were told by legend that it was a rosy apple that Eve offered Adam. Never before in human history has a section of mankind been surrounded by so many rosy apples as today. Man had become antagonistic and for the time being it was difficult to make His voice audible to mankind.

They were told that man was driven out of the garden of his happiness and at the entrance there was an angel with a flaming sword. The New Testament told something different—that standing at the gate was a Saviour, a conqueror of sin and death and there true happiness would be found in the performance and freedom in God's service.

Somebody said: 'Love God and do as you please.' If you do love God, doing as you please will always be in performing God's service.

### THE MEETING

The meeting was held in the Chapter House with the Master in the chair. Presenting the printed reports the Master said they seemed to be the best ever in the way they were set out. He would like to thank Mr. Philip Walker for a beautifully produced report.

The Master in his report said young people today were accustomed to high standards of comfort and efficiency, both at home and in school life. In bell ringing, which was undertaken on a purely voluntary basis, there must therefore be a standard which they expect as a matter of course in their other activities. For example, ringing chambers should be comfortable, clean and properly heated in winter. The type of draughty, cold and dingy room, which they sometimes encountered should never be tolerated.

The tower foreman should be able to rely on the incumbent and P.C.C. to see the ringers were properly housed. Everything then depends upon the leadership of the tower foreman and senior members of the band, which must be imaginative and progressive. Young people easily become bored if the ringing instructor was too stereotyped. 'Gimmicks' designed to stimulate interest should



MR. H. L. ROPER, the new vice-president, who had been librarian of the Guild since 1956.

not be despised. Progress charts, proficiency badges, 'pen-friendships' kept up between towers sharing the same name and dedication in different parts of the country, handbell sessions including tune ringing at carol services, frequent quarter peal attempts, the observance of an annual ringers' Sunday and many other ideas which the ingenuity of the leader could suggest should be faithfully attempted.

Suggestions also contained in the Master's report were training certificates to tower leaders who had undergone a course of instruction in leadership and an inter-branch striking competition.

### 1,500 MILES ON GUILD'S WORK

The Deputy Master wrote that he had inspected and reported on the condition of bells and gear in 14 towers and in several instances on the structure and stability of towers. He had also inspected completed work where Guild restoration grants had been made. He had given nine lectures on bells and ringing, in addition to talks on bells to non-ringers and P.C.C.'s. The work had involved travelling just over 1,500 miles of which 576 were for attending branch meetings.

In his experience the interest and activities of the Guild were well maintained. They were certain to have some 'black spots' where little or no Sunday service ringing took place, but it was surprising how a few keen churchmen could alter such situations. The important point was to ensure that newly-appointed leaders were churchmen first and foremost. 'We have lost recently a number of that stalwart type, the ringer-chorister. May I appeal to the younger members to fill the ranks of these faithful servants of our Guild and Church?'

### MEMBERSHIP STANDARDS

The hon. general secretary reported a decline of membership which now stood at 1,888 (ringing 1,797, life 31, honorary 62) compared with 1,934 (ringing 1,836, life 37, honorary 61). This might be due to the fact that all branches were now only returning the lists of paid-up members. Certificates issued in 1963 totalled 181 and this should result in membership allowing for normal loss. The question had been raised as to whether the Guild should set an 'unofficial' standard before accepting members. No one wished to see the return of the old rule of 120 changes on the treble, which led to the exclusion of regular churchmen who did no change ringing. In addition the Guild had admitted 48 non-resident members and they had lost by death 12 members.

The University, College and School ringing societies continued to gain strength. Both Culham College and Wallingford Grammar School had rung peals and other schools had quarter peals to their credit. Due to the encouragement of the Principal, a number of

students at Cuddesdon Theological College were learning to ring. Rippon Hall had several students who could ring or were learning to ring.

The report of the hon. general treasurer stated that the general funds of the Guild amounted to £1,836 4s. 3d. of which £1,584 15s. 4d. was in the Restoration Fund.

The hon. librarian (Mr. H. L. Roper) reported that 175 peals had been published as having been rung for the Guild in 1963, a number exceeded only by the Lancashire Association and Leicester Diocesan Guild. He proposed to move outside the Diocese and could not, therefore, accept a further term of office. He and Mrs. Roper would like to thank all the members for the warm welcome they always received at the meetings.

### ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS

There was only one change in the officers—Mr. H. L. Roper retiring from the post of hon. librarian. Canon C. E. Wigg was elected Master and Mr. F. Sharpe, Deputy Master. Thanking members for re-electing him hon. treasurer, Mr. A. D. Barker said that next year he would have held the job for 30 years and he would like by then to see the total assets of the Guild at £2,000. Miss M. R. Cross continues as hon. secretary.

The new hon. librarian is the Rev. E. Wood, chairman of the Reading Branch, who lives at Mapledurham Vicarage, Reading. There were a number of tributes to Mr. Roper's work. Miss Cross mentioned that Mr. Roper had brought the Guild records up-to-date. Mr. W. Birmingham spoke of the hours he had spent on research and his proposal that Mr. Roper be elected a vice-president was carried with acclamation.

Acknowledging the compliment, Mr. Roper said he had enjoyed the job immensely. He had access to all the books in the library. He was going to boast—he had read from every page of 'The Bell News,' first dated 1881 to the last page of 'The Ringing World' last Friday. There was a great deal of valuable stuff in those old volumes and sometime, when he had time, he was going to make an index.

Mrs. A. D. Barker, A. Diserens, Miss D. Fletcher, E. E. Pearson, P. Walker and F. A. White were elected to the General Committee: Mr. P. Walker, report editor; Ernest Francis and Son, Reading, hon. auditors.

### GRANTS

A grant of £50 was given to Coleshill, Berks, where five bells are being augmented to six. A similar grant was made to Northmoor, where there was a complete rehousing in a new frame. It was ascertained that work was likely at Sutton Courtney, Drayton and Birtton.

The meeting confirmed the election of 172 new members. Miss Cross said that was not the complete list; others had been elected by branches.

Upon the proposal of Mr. Kinch, seconded by Mr. Hall, it was decided that the subscription remain at 3s. 6d. as at present.

An inter-branch striking competition was approved. Mr. B. C. Castle said the committee had met on three occasions and it would be held on October 24th, probably at Radley. Before that date branches would hold their competitions to select their strongest bands.

The meeting confirmed a grant of £10 to Mr. W. Parker who incurred serious injury whilst doing maintenance work in Finchampstead tower.

The Deputy Master said Mr. Parker had put his foot in the wheel of an adjoining bell when it descended. He was thrown across the belfry and sustained a nasty injury. The Guild were morally bound to stand by him.

Mr. Barker said he wrote to the Ecclesiastical Insurance office and Mr. Parker had received £5 a week for 17 weeks. He was not yet back at work.

It was decided 'to keep an eye' on the case.



# SAFFRON WALDEN'S GREAT RINGING DAY



## OXFORD FESTIVAL—Cont.

The meeting approved of an honorarium of £10 10s. being made to the Deputy Master towards the expenses incurred by him while carrying out bell inspections in the Oxford Diocese.

Supporting a grant of £5 5s. being made towards the expenses of the American tour. Mr. Roper said those who went to Washington really did something for ringing. They created a great deal of enthusiasm and they all knew what the Americans could do when they got enthusiastic. This Washington visit might be the beginning of change ringing in America.

## LADY CHORISTERS

The Deputy Master said in respect of the service this year they had applications from several lady choristers to robe and join the choir for the Cathedral service. He saw the Dean who said that as far as he was concerned personally he would not object. He could not give permission as it had to go before the Chapter. The Dean had promised a ruling in ample time for next year's service.

The vote of thanks was proposed by the Deputy Master and included the Dean and Chapter and College authorities at Christ Church, the steward and domestic staff, Mr. Philip Walker who had done the lion share of the ringing arrangements, the choir and people from Winslow who paid for the choir-boys, and Mr. H. Langrish, the organist for the service.

The Master called attention to Mr. Fredk Sharpe's book on the bells of Guernsey, Alderney and Sark, which was being published that day for 8s. 6d.

## THE LUNCHEON

The luncheon was held in the hall of Christ Church and attended by a company of 150. The Master presided and among the guests were the Archdeacon of Oxford (the Ven. C. Witton-Davies), the Rev. M. Melville (Master of the Southwell Diocesan Guild) and Mr. Wilfrid G. Wilson (Master of the London County Association).

The toast of 'Church and State' was proposed by Mr. H. L. Roper, who described the speech as his swan song to the Guild. He

said that but for the Church there would be no bells, and they were inclined to take it for granted that it was the Church's bells which they rang for their own pleasure and enjoyment. But this privilege of ringing carried with it certain responsibilities—ringing regularly on Sundays and in training young ringers, and they all knew even with the best of hands what happened if youngsters were not being trained. Another responsibility they should be prepared to shoulder was the provision of bells for the future. Ringers often remarked that the responsibility was on the Parochial Church Council. It was up to ringers, he contended, to see that there was a belfry fund in every tower with a little put away each year against emergencies.

The Archdeacon replied.

Miss Cross in proposing 'the Visitors' thanked Canon Perkins for his inspired sermon, she welcomed Mr. Wilson as Master of the London County Association (he is also vice-president of the Oxford Diocesan Guild), and the Rev. M. Melville.

Mr. Melville in his reply mentioned his meeting unexpectedly in Massachusetts with Miss Cross, and how they both happened to jump off the same train. In proposing the health of 'the Guild,' Mr. Melville said he did not think any Guild was better served by its officers and stalwarts. That morning it was a delight to see Mr. Walter Judge steering a couple of 12-year-old youngsters through a course of Grandsire Cinques.

The Master replied.

The company then dispersed for ringing and Mr. F. Sharpe took a party up Christ Church tower to see 'Big Tom.'

## SUBSCRIPTION FORMS

Were distributed to all Postal Subscribers last week in the hope that they would use them to introduce new readers now that another quarter has started. If you cannot find a new subscriber buy one for the tower. Reduced rates for second and subsequent members (see page 468). We are still waiting for a number of renewals.

IN perfect weather the 341st anniversary of Great Ringing Day was held at Saffron Walden on June 27th, the 50th anniversary of the opening of the bells after being augmented from eight to 12 in June, 1914.

Mr. R. C. Heazel, Master of the Essex Association, was the first visitor to arrive and was soon followed by a party of 30, organised by Mr. Charles Willmington, from the South-West Essex Division.

The usual service was held at noon, conducted by Canon R. Chute, who was deputising for the Vicar. The theme of his sermon was 'Teamwork.' After a good touch of Stedman Cinques lunch was served in the Parish Room, 49 sitting down.

The bells were kept going all the afternoon in methods on eight, 10 and 12 bells till 5 p.m. when tea was taken. After tea ringing continued until 7.30 p.m., all agreeing it had been a good ringing day. The ringers would like to thank the Church Ladies' Committee who arranged the lunch and tea.

## SURREY ASSOCIATION

### Southern District

The quarterly meeting of the Southern District was held at Nutfield on June 20th. Ringing commenced promptly at 3 p.m. and continued until 4.30 p.m. when tea was taken at the Crown Inn. Due to a misunderstanding, no service was held and members returned to the Belfry for the business meeting only. 21 signed the visitors' book, a small number for this usually well-attended meeting. Ringing was somewhat restricted and the meeting closed at 7.30 p.m.

The meeting at Godstone on July 18th has been cancelled as the Kent County Ass. are unable to join us on that day.

K.G.G.

## LAVENHAM'S RINGING DAY

On June 20th ringers from various towers from Essex, Suffolk, Norfolk, Cheshire and Derbyshire attended the annual ringing anniversary, keeping the bells going from 2.30 to 8.30 p.m. Methods rung were Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Double Norwich Major. Grandsire and Stedman Triples. M. T. S.

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## Letters to the Editor

### When visiting—Points to remember

Dear Sir.—I was sorry to read of the complaint from Lavenham of the bad ringing by visiting bands on their outings. Whatever the cause of this particular complaint I think the attention of tower captains and outing organisers should be drawn to the necessity (I put it no less) of their choosing towers for their outing programme where the ringing of the bells is well within the capabilities of their band.

It is a fact that only too often this requirement is either overlooked or disregarded. I would not for one moment discourage the desire to ring in fresh towers. To explore fresh fields is an excellent way to improve one's ringing but if such visits result in bad performances no one gains.

The weight of probably all rings of bells in this country can be found in 'Wove's' so this need not be a problem in planning an outing. Information about 'go' and length of rope can usually be obtained from Association officials, who I have found, very often can help with useful suggestions for a manageable programme.

I have been arranging tower outings since the early 20's and the number of times I have been refused a tower is so small that for practical purposes it could be said to be nil. This generous hospitality extended to my party has always been respected and appreciated and this is the point of my writing this letter.

Let us always remember we are guests in other towns. The local inhabitants within earshot are our audience and we have no right to inflict bad ringing on them. So many ringers forget this audience once they are in the ringing chamber in their eagerness to see if they can manage this, that or the other method, which sometimes means invoking the age-old but still regrettable device of putting all the beginners in one touch to get them out of the way. It is a pity that this vast audience outside the tower is not remembered on all ringing occasions.

The bells should always be raised in some sort of order to avoid unmusical clashing even if in the last resort this means raising them singly.

I consider it a good plan, too, to ensure that the first and last touch at each tower visited is well struck: the former will ease the unexpectedness of hearing the bells at unusual times and the latter will do much to leave behind a good impression of the visitors (others may then be welcome). Some people will say that the public don't appreciate what is rung. This is arguable but suffice to say at the moment that rhythmic striking is less jarring to the unappreciative listener than 'rough stuff'. And, unless the ringing is reasonable, the same can be said of 'tenor behind' methods as opposed to 'tenor in'.

All this might sound a bit restrictive but it isn't. Anyone who has been on our outings knows that and the reason, I think, is that the good ringing we seek to achieve on this basis enables us to hear the bells to their best advantage and also avoids ruffled tempers

either inside or outside the tower. — Yours sincerely,

P.S.—If some of your ringers have enjoyed ringing Lavenham bells on outings as I have, don't forget the recent appeal for help there.—Ivor Heath. FRED. GOODFELLOW.

### School handbell ringer at TV Studios

Dear Sir.—It was a red-letter day for the handbell ringers of St. Lawrence's Junior School, Gnosall, when Barney Bamford, of the B.B.C., paid a visit to the school to record items by the handbell ringers, with Glockenspiels and a Melodica.

As a result of this visit they were invited to the B.B.C. Television studio at Birmingham, where tele recordings were made for the programme 'Six-Ten,' and further items for use in future programmes.

It certainly was a great privilege and pleasure to spend the afternoon in the studio, and the children (aged nine to 11 years) will long remember, and talk of cameras, lights, microphones, etc., to their less lucky and envious friends.

The staff and technicians of the B.B.C. were kindness itself to the children, and even when it was discovered that by an oversight there was no piano in the studio there was no panic, and a new mini-piano was hired and in the studio within 20 minutes, and everyone was well satisfied with the results of the afternoon 'on the set'.

By the time this letter appears in 'The Ringing World' the recorded items for 'Six-Ten' may already have been seen on television, but others will appear in due course.—Yours, etc.,

Gnosall, Stafford. E. M. KEY (Mrs.).

### Spliced Surprise Major on Handbells

Dear Sir.—I am sure the Exercise will congratulate the talented handbell band at Harrow on ringing a peal of Spliced Surprise Major on handbells in 18 methods.

Also to congratulate Chris Woolley on being the first to ring 100 Surprise peals on handbells.—Yours etc.,

Braintree, Essex. EDWIN JENNINGS.

P.S.—Many will desire to re-iterate the congratulations expressed by Mr. Jennings.—Ed.

### In and Out of Course

Dear Sir.—Unfortunately Mr. W. O. Haythorne's method of determining in and out of course changes (page 432) is incorrect. Consider 1432—this row is out of course, yet on summing the number of places away from home of each bell, we have the number 4. Also consider 2431—this is in course, yet on summing we have 6—certainly not a multiple of four.

I would be surprised to see a method easier than that of John David (page 396).—Yours sincerely,

St. Albans, Herts. K. J. DARVILL.

### 'Spur' stays in Kent

Dear Sir.—Mr. Haythorne's letter (p. 416), is of considerable interest, as there are several examples in Kent.

At St. Lawrence, Godmersham, a ring of five tenor 14 cwt. approx. cast by Christopher Hodson in the late 17th century, the bells apparently retain their original fittings, including spur staves identical with those on the Winchester bell. Unfortunately, these bells are in a very bad condition, and half-buried in bird debris. They are 'clocked.'

The beautiful church of St. Mary, Westwell, has a ring of four tenor 12 cwt. with a similar arrangement. Unfortunately the No. 3 is cracked, and the remainder unringable, but well looked after.

There is a single stay of this sort on the No. 2 of the unringable six. (Tenor 9½ cwt.) at Eastling: here the tenor is cracked, but, as at Westwell, the remainder are swing-chimed. Here there is a very interesting set of 18th century ringers' rules.

In Canterbury there are two churches with this sort of stay—but with a difference: the stay is vertical, about one foot long, and engages with a horizontal slider half-way down the frame. These are the churches of St. Paul (3: 7 cwt.), of which the tenor was recast by S. B. Goslin in 1902, when the arrangement may have been made; and St. Martin, which were refitted about 1920. Here however the arrangement is in iron throughout. These bells (3: 7 cwt.), have some pretensions to being ringable.

Mr. S. B. Goslin also cast the treble, 2, and 3 of St. Alphege, Canterbury (6: 74 cwt.) in 1893-4, but there are no traces of this arrangement there. The bells were rebung later, but in the original frame. His remaining bell in Canterbury, the treble at St. Margaret's (1902), along with its two companions (Tenor 6 cwt.), is stayless.

There is another arrangement—a full stay, but a half slider—in use on some of the rough five (12 cwt.) at Newchurch, Kent.

If Mr. Haythorne feels a 'double-stay' is 'fiendish' he is right: there is one on the tenor at Bridge, Kent. (3: 10 cwt.)—Yours faithfully,

DAVID L. CAWLEY.

Whitstable, Kent.

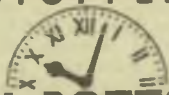
### Old Peals at Margate

Dear Sir.—In the ringing chamber of St. John's Church, Margate, a peal board records that on Thurs. Jan. 29th, 1824, 5040 Grandsire Triples was rung by members of the Quex Institution in 2 hrs. 58 mins. The composition contained 194 hobs and 46 singles and was conducted by William Shipway. The composer's name is not mentioned. A second board records a further peal of Grandsire Triples rung on Sat. Dec. 12th, 1885, conducted by L. Willshire. This contained 98 hobs and 2 singles and again the composer's name is not mentioned. In the former the conductor rang the 6th and in the latter the 2nd. I am wondering if any of your readers can identify and provide me with the figures of these compositions from the information given.—Yours faithfully,

FRANK C. W. KNIGHT.

Ramsgate.

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## MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD

Hon. Secretary Approaching His  
1,000th PEAL

BURTON, apart from beer, is famed in the Exercise for its pioneer band of Surprise ringers at the latter part of the last century and following World War I for its equally famous Wednesday band, who rang under that talented conductor Mr. M. Swinfield over 230 different compositions of Stedman Triples.

It was at the Church of St. Modwen, Burton, that the Midland Counties Guild held its 18th annual meeting, the Rev. W. V. G. Griffiths, vice-president, being in the chair in the absence of Mr. B. Worthington (president) who sent an apology from his home in Northumberland.

The hon. secretary, Mr. J. W. Cotton, in his annual report said 11 new members had been elected, bringing the total membership to 12 ringing and 16 honorary members. There were many non-resident members. It had been a record year for peals, 41 having been successfully rung, though only 16 resident ringers took part. The leading peal ringers were Messrs. J. W. Cotton 40 (total for Guild 465, grant total nearly 1,000 which notable milestone he would shortly pass), John K. Smith 29, Richard J. Clifton 25, Derek P. Jones 20. Leading conductors were Messrs. D. P. Jones 16, Roland Beniston 11.

Surprise methods rung by the Guild for the first time were Quodgley Major and Royal, Feering, Hitchin, Dorchester, Whitwick, Zurich, Vancouver and Amsterdam Major. For these achievements thanks were expressed to the many non-resident members who made up the bands. Mr. Cotton also submitted a report on the 1963 Central Council meeting at Great Yarmouth.

Mr. J. H. Brittain, hon. treasurer, reported that the Guild's finances were in a healthy state, the balance in the general fund standing at £137, with £18 in the belfry repair fund.

Officers elected were: President, Mr. B. Worthington; vice-president, Rev. W. V. G. Griffiths; chairman, Mr. R. A. Welton, ringing master, Mr. J. K. Smith; treasurer, Mr. J. H. Brittain; auditor, Mr. T. Pryce; secretary, Mr. J. W. Cotton; assistant secretary, Mr. J. K. Smith; committee, Messrs. G. H. Rowe, P. Marriott, G. Roobottom, D. P. Jones.

The hon. secretary proposed that the next annual meeting should be at St. Paul's, Burton, and this was agreed to. The possibility of a dinner in the autumn was discussed and the committee was instructed to explore the idea.

A comprehensive vote of thanks was moved by Mr. Cotton who specially mentioned Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Brittain and Mrs. Dunn for the tea which the company enjoyed before going to St. Modwen's Church for two hours' ringing. Visitors welcomed included Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hart, with other friends, from Middlesex who had been having an outing in Leicestershire.

## ANOTHER DEVON OUTING

Another of Mr. A. L. Bennett's popular outings was held on Wednesday afternoon, June 17th, when the ringing at Buckfast Abbey included a faultlessly struck extent of Plain Bob Minor rung under the conductorship of Mr. D. Roy Bould. After tea at a local cafe, the next call was at Staverton where the fine-tuned but heavy going ring was sampled. The other tower visited was Dartington, where the party were joined by a few of the locals. Grandsire and Stedman Doubles and call changes were rung here prior to a service, and thanks were again expressed to Mr. A. L. Bennett for the arrangements made.

## Extraction of False Course Heads and Their Application

Here is a composition and its proof:  
5,216 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR  
5ths M W B 4ths H 23456

BY JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM

(Continued from page 449)

To produce Natural Course Ends the transposition for a bob at 5ths will be 274365, at 4ths 647253, Wrong 52436, Middle 43652, Before 35264, and Home 42356, therefore the table of Natural Course Ends for this composition is as follows:

Twice repeated, omitting bracketed calls.						
Fifths		Middle	Wrong	Before	Fourths	Home
2	3	4	5	6	7	1
274365	274365	274365	274365	—	64523	64523
64523	—	—	—	42635	42635	64235
64235	64235	64235	36245	36245	36245	36245
36245	36245	36245	43265	43265	43265	43265
43265	43265	43265	64235	64235	64235	26435
26435	26435	26435	26435	26435	26435	42635
42635	42635	42635	34625	34625	34625	63425
63425	63425	43526	43526	43526	43526	54326
54326	54326	34625	23645	23645	23645	23645
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276354	276354	276354	276354	—	56423	56423
56423	—	—	—	62534	62534	56234
56234	56234	56234	35264	35264	35264	35264
35264	35264	35264	63254	63254	63254	63254
63254	63254	63254	56234	56234	56234	25634
25634	25634	25634	25634	25634	25634	62534
62534	62534	62534	36524	36524	36524	36524
36524	36524	36524	23564	23564	23564	23564
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275346	275346	275346	275346	—	45623	45623
45623	—	—	—	52436	52436	45236
45236	45236	45236	34256	34256	34256	34256
34256	34256	34256	53246	53246	53246	53246
53246	53246	53246	45236	45236	45236	24536
24536	24536	24536	24536	24536	24536	52436
52436	52436	52436	35426	35426	35426	35426
35426	35426	35426	23456	23456	23456	23456

It will be seen that the tenors are parted in this composition for the first four leads in each part. The bells in seconds and thirds are the same in each part so look for a F.C.H. having 23 at home. There is only one—2354768 7 v 1; 2 v 3; 3 v 2; 5 v 4; 4 v 5; 1 v 7. Transposing the first row in each part by this F.C.H. gives row 'A.' Next look for F.C.H. which will bring 78 together. As the 7th is in 3rds in N.C.H. table so third must be in sevenths in F.C.H. table. The F.C.H.

are 2456738 7 v 1; 1 v 7; 1 v 4; 3 v 2; 2 v 3; 2 v 6; 6745238 6 v 1; 6 v 4; 5 v 5; 4 v 6; 1 v 6; 7 v 7. Transposing gives row 'B' from the first and row 'C' from the second.

Set out below is the table of falseness for the first four leads in each part. I have not set out the falseness for the remainder of the peal with the tenors together as this is a simple transposition by 24365. These four F.C.H.—24365, 2354768, 6745238 2456738—are the only ones of the 15 which are important.

	2	3	4	5	6	7	1
A	273456	273456	273456	273456	—	—	—
B	24365	24365	—	—	24365	—	24365
C	—	—	—	65432	65432	—	—
A	273645	273645	273645	273645	—	—	—
B	26354	26354	—	—	26354	—	26354
C	—	—	—	54632	54632	—	—
A	273564	273564	273564	273564	—	—	—
B	25346	25346	—	—	25346	—	25346
C	—	—	—	46532	46532	—	—

It now remains to check each column of False Course Heads against the corresponding column of Natural Course Heads; if no repetition occurs then, of course, the peal will be true.

I hope the above is intelligible but it is a very difficult subject to explain simply. Should anyone run into difficulties I shall be pleased to help on receipt of a s.a.e.

PEAL RECORD IN COUNCIL  
CHAMBER

The only peal rung in Devon as a token of respect to the late President Kennedy was one of Grandsire Triples at Buckfast Abbey. The tragic death of the President took place during the term of office of Mr. C. R. Northcott as chairman of Buckfastleigh U.D.C., a close friend of Mr. A. L. Bennett. To mark the event during his term of office, a beautifully prepared record of the peal, suitably framed, has been placed in the Council Chamber.

## WEDDING PEAL AT GNOSALL

The wedding took place on Saturday, June 27th, at St. Lawrence's Collegiate Church, Gnosall, between Miss Shirley Dyke and Mr. Rodney Downe. The bride is a niece of Mr. J. W. Dyke, tower keeper, and Mr. Downe is a member of the local band, having served as treasurer during the last four years. The couple left the church through a guard of honour formed by the Gnosall Wolf Cubs. A peal of Minor in seven methods was rung in honour of the event.

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## OBITUARY

## MR. ROBERT FISHER

On the evening of June 23rd, Mr. 'Bob' Fisher passed quietly away in his chair about 15 minutes after returning from practice in his own belfry at East Meon. He was 97, and had lived in the village nearly all his life.

Mr. Fisher helped to re-hang the bells at All Saints' Church after restoration in 1890, and had been a ringer and chorister there for more than 70 years. A carpenter by trade, he started felling and sawing as a boy, with his father: he loved the church and ringing and much of his trade had been followed in making and repairing things in local churches. Recently while at a meeting at Warnford Tower he proudly showed several points of interest on the Tower door which he had made just before the turn of the century.

This aged ringer was invited, and attended the veterans gathering at St. Leonard's, Shore-ditch, a week or two ago and was very happy to have enjoyed such an occasion. Had he lived a few more days he would have been made a life member of the Guild, at the Annual meeting held at Basingstoke by the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild.

The funeral service was held on the following Saturday and the bells fully muffled were rung before and afterwards under the direction of Mr. Ronald Walker, Tower Captain. The Winchester and Portsmouth Guild was represented by Mr. C. E. Bassett, Secretary of the Alton and Petersfield District, and towers represented were Steep, Buriton, Petersfield, East Meon and Warnford.

A quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles followed the service in which Mr. J. E. Clark, a former Tower Captain at East Meon, took part.

C.E.B.

## THE REV. W. M. K. WARREN

We regret to record the death at Stourpaine, Dorset, on June 13th, of the Rev. W. M. K. Warren, the father of the Rev. H. F. Warren, of Exford, who is the Master of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association. He also was Master of the Association from 1936 to 1948.

Mr. H. J. Sanger writes:

The quarter peal rung at Evercreech on June 26th was a tribute to life and work, in the Diocese, of the Rev. W. M. K. Warren.

From 1936 to 1945 Master of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, he was a member of the 'Wednesday' band which met throughout the 1930's and, of which, several of the band were members.

During his incumbency at Binegar, the old ring of three was restored and augmented to six, in no small measure due to his great effort. His was a delightful personality: he was held in the highest esteem by all ringers and the little gatherings at the Rectory were very happy occasions which will always be remembered.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Eastern Branch

The Eastern Branch visited Happisburgh on the Norfolk coast, for a meeting on June 6th. Canon Gilbert Thurlow conducted the service and the Rev. H. R. Chisnell (Rector), played the organ and gave a very interesting address. After a splendid tea the branch chairman (Miss D. E. Lidbetter) presided over the business meeting.

The Revs. A. Glendinning and J. E. Cummins, Rector and Vicar respectively of the Raveningham group of parishes, were elected as honorary members of the Association. Miss C. James, of Lowestoft, was elected a ringing member, and the belfry election of Mr. Cleeve F. Finch was ratified.

Mr. G. Walpole stated that after a delay of over four months the faculty, enabling Norton Subcourse bells to be rehung, had been granted. Votes of thanks were accorded to the Rector and the ladies for preparing the tea.

Next meeting: Lowestoft, September 19th.

N. P. J. C.

## THE ORIGIN OF CHANGE RINGING

BY ERNEST WEATHERBY

In the city of Cambridge, England, a monk in the Benedictine Monastery chimed the peal of three bells in the church of St. Benet for all of the services.

During the course of his ringing duties, he found it to be very monotonous continually to chime: 1 2 3, 1 2 3, all the time. Therefore, he varied this by chiming: 1 2 3, 2 1 3, 3 2 1, 3 1 2, 1 3 2, 1 2 3—six changes—all different; and these changes became known as the SIXES before the year 1600.

In 1610, Robert Roan (the monk) extended these changes to be rung on four bells, and discovered that by one bell following the smallest bell (which he called the 'Treble') he was able to chime 24 changes (the extent of changes on four bells 1 3 2 4, 1 3 4 2, when the treble bell was 'leading').

In 1625, he extended his chiming to be rung on six bells, following the same order of one bell to follow the treble bell 1 3 and 1 3, and the other bells to make a 'dodge' together 1 3 2 5 4 6, 1 3 5 2 6 4—thereby he was able to produce 60 changes.

According to his calculations, to find the extent of the changes to be rung on three bells (which was 6 changes), the extent on four bells was 24 changes (4 x 6 equals 24); the extent on five bells was 120 changes (24 x 5 equals 120); and the extent on six bells was 720 changes (120 x 6 equals 720).

He then produced what he called a 'Bob' (which was made at the last 'lead' of the treble bell 1 3 2 5 4 6, 1 2 3 5 6 4), and by using 3 bobs he was able to produce 360 changes (or half the total); by using what he called a 'Single' (1 3 2 5 4 6 to 1 3 2 5 6 4, and then the whole repeated) he produced 720 changes—the extent of changes on six bells.

Robert Roan sent these 720 changes to the Ancient Society of College Youths in 1625.

He was followed by Fabian Stedman who first produced the Grandsire method to be rung on five bells, and with the Tenor bell on six bells. He also produced the method for five bells which is now called after his name Stedman, and which is extended to be rung on eleven bells, and with a tenor bell, on twelve bells.

These changes composed by Robert Roan and now known as **change-ringing** were rung at the Dedication Ceremony of the Gloria in Excelsis Tower and Bells of Washington National Cathedral on May 7th, 1964.

Mr. Armingem Trollope, when Editor of 'The Ringing World,' found that the initials R.R. were those of Robert Roan, and that Grandsire Bob is now called Plain Bob.

NOTE:—Mr. Weatherby who now lives at Alhambra, California, U.S.A., sent a copy of this to Washington National Cathedral, Kent School and Groton School. In asking for this to be published, Mr. Weatherby states very few ringers know anything about Thomas Roan of Cambridge.

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## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION

## STOW-ON-THE-WOLD BRANCH

Members of the Stow-on-the-Wold Branch decided at their meeting at Bourton-on-the-Water, on June 20th, to form a deanery band to provide ringers for 'silent' towers throughout the deanery. The suggestion came from the Rural Dean.

The Rev. I. C. Heron, Rector of Stow-on-the-Wold, stressed the need for greater efforts to provide more Sunday service ringing, especially at towers which had no regular band of ringers. He said he strongly favoured the Rural Dean's idea that ringers should tour the deanery to ring on special occasions, such as confirmations and inductions.

The chairman (the Rev. C. H. Pickthorn) supporting the Rector's view, said that the scheme would mean that towers fortunate enough to have regular Sunday ringing would have to forego a week each month to help towers where there was no ringing at all, but as far as the tower at Bourton-on-the-Water was concerned he would not object to this.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

Steps already taken to visit churches for bell-ringing were mentioned by the secretary (Mr. L. C. Dowdeswell). Ringers from Stow, Longborough and Moreton-in-Marsh met once a month and rang bells at Broadwell for morning service, he said. Efforts had also been made to ring on special occasions and some towers had been visited for harvest festivals. Two ringers from Longborough who rang the bells at Stow on Sunday mornings also went to Moreton-in-Marsh to help out at evening services.

After agreeing unanimously to form a deanery band of ringers, it was further decided to seek reports on all 'silent' towers in the Deanery by the next quarterly meeting in September.

The Rector of Stow-on-the-Wold pointed out that the form of service as laid down by the Association was outdated and that the branch should write to the general secretary suggesting that the form of service be revised. It was agreed to do this for the next meeting at Moreton-in-Marsh, the Vicar there being asked to draw up his own form of service.

A reply from Mr. Charles Rouse, the general secretary, states: 'That the question of revising the form of service will be put on the agenda at the Management Committee's meeting at Gloucester, in October.' He also states that the branch could use their own form of service as drawn up by local rectors.

A short service was held at 4.30 p.m. and was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. C. H. Pickthorn.

During the afternoon, under the direction of the Association Ringing Master, the Rev. F. F. Rigby, several 'touches' of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major were rung. Among the 40 ringers present were visitors from St. Albans, Wallingford, Southampton, Witney and Charlbury. Local towers were represented by Bourton-on-the-Hill, Bledington, Bourton-on-the-Water, Longborough, Moreton-in-Marsh and Stow-on-the-Wold. A tribute, dated June 25th, from the Rev. F. F. Rigby, Association Ringing Master, reads: 'The "touch" of Stedman last Saturday will live in my memory.'

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD  
Dorchester Branch

Owing to unforeseen circumstances it was necessary to rearrange the Branch practice scheduled to be held on May 30th at Hilton and hold it instead on May 23rd. This was by special request by the boys of Milton Abbey School who maintain the ringing at Hilton. The bells of Hilton (6) were available from 2.40 p.m. and the practice was attended by the Master of the Guild, the Rev. R. N. Longridge, the assistant secretary, Dorchester Branch, Miss B. J. Dyke, members of the Dorchester Branch, members of the North Dorset Branch and ringers from Milton Abbey School.

A shortened form of evensong was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. G. A. Thomas), after which members were entertained to refreshments in Anstey Village Hall. Ringing was then resumed until about 8 p.m.



## UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD GUILD

Fourteen members and friends of the University of Sheffield Guild spent the week-end of June 20th/21st visiting towers in Lincolnshire.

Saturday morning traffic queues at Newark delayed the start and cut short ringing on the fine six at Leadenham; nevertheless, the pleasant eight at Caythorpe and the six at Barkston were put to good use before lunch. Some excitement was caused by the odd sound and 90-foot draught of the five bells at Helpringham. Then on to the light eight at Bicker, where justice was not seen to be done; time was short and the striking was poor. The unique 12 at Surfleet were enjoyed by all, and 'fears' about the leaning tower were quickly dispelled. At Kirton-in-Holland free pints were at stake for anyone able to set the tenor at backstroke. Ringing in the evening took place on the three sixes at Fishtoft, Freiston and Butterwick, where methods ranged from Original to Surprise Minor.

Saturday night was spent at an hotel in Spalding. In spite of the 'night before,' everyone had climbed the 185 steps at Boston by 10.15 a.m. and enjoyed Stedman and Grandsire Caters on the fine ten. After lunch ringing at Nocton was curtailed when a rope broke, and whilst this was being repaired good use was made of a set of handbells found in the ringing chamber. Then on to Lincoln Cathedral, an excellent 12 and the highlight of the tour. A short ring on the six at Saxilby followed until it was time to move on to Gainsborough (a glorious eight). A flying visit to the six at Lea (by invitation of the Ringing Master) completed a very enjoyable week-end. Methods rung include Stedman Doubles to Cinques, Grandsire Doubles to Caters, London to Cambridge Major, Double Norwich down to rounds and call-changes.

Thanks go to incumbents for the use of the bells; to local ringers and the hard-worked drivers, particularly to the lady driver.

'ONSEC.'

## OUTINGS

## WARMINSTER

Our annual outing on June 20th was blessed once again with three features we have rather come to expect—good weather, an excellent picnic lunch and a very pleasant ringing tour. The first, of course, is not at human command, but the second, in the hands of Mr. and Mrs. Norris, never fails to give both satisfaction and repletion. The ringing arrangements were made by Mr. C. N. Pearson, of Haslemere, and once again he succeeded in finding for us beautiful countryside and interesting ringing towers.

Our coach carried us first to West Meon, where Doubles and Minor were rung on the pleasant six. From here we ran to Petersfield and took a meal very happily by the lake in the park. Now the resources of Mr. and Mrs. Norris were revealed in all their glory; and to cold chicken, pork pie, meat rolls, tomatoes, onions and cheese, we were able to add tea, lemonade or bottled beer, according to fancy. Fruit pies served to fill up the cracks.

On the run to Shalford we took in the vast curve around the Devil's Punchbowl, and were able to view that astonishing abyss from all angles. Shalford is on the Editor's doorstep, so to speak, and the pleasure we had from the lovely churchyard and the fine ring of eight would have been enhanced if we had happened to find 'the Press' in attendance.

At remote Dunsfold we rang Cambridge Minor and some excellent Stedman, and at Witley, where the captain and vice-captain both met us, we had some amusing neck exercises in ringing round the clock-pendulum case.

A splendid tea was provided for us at Haslemere by Mr. and Mrs. Pearson. The lonely Binsted was our last ringing tower, where Mr. Pearson joined us for a good touch of Bob Minor. And here we said farewell to him and his family with what perhaps sounded very formal thanks, but which were really heartfelt, for the kindness and generosity of our Haslemere friends surpass anything we have a right to expect.

On the heights above Stockbridge we halted by the roadside for supper, and did our best to clear up the remains. We completed in comfort the remaining run of nearly 60 miles, and reached home satisfied both physically and mentally, and very much at peace with the world.  
E. C. S.

## NORTH WEALD

North Weald bellringers, having no bells of their own to ring, arranged a tour of other churches on June 6th; at 1.30 p.m. approximately 16 ringers and seven friends started out in six cars. At the first tower, Danbury, they found a fine ring of six and for about an hour livened up the village and proved that they had not lost the art. This was an interesting church, with three knights resting in niches under the walls. These effigies were carved in oak and are still in fair preservation.

The journey to Southminster was through a very rural countryside, and here good ringing was enjoyed. Tea was taken at Burnham-on-Crouch, and we were joined by Olly and Mrs. Reynolds. The bells at the Parish Church were voted to be the best of the day.

Despite tiredness, good ringing took place at Purleigh. On the homeward journey a call was made at the 'Army and Navy,' near Chelmsford. All were pleased to meet again Wendy Bowak, one of the tower's favourites. They then made their way home, tired but happy.

Ringling in a quarter peal at Woodstone. Hunts, on June 28th to mark the 50th anniversary of the bells was Mr. Charles Hoare, who rang for the dedication in 1914 and in a 25th anniversary quarter in 1939. Now 81 years of age, Mr. Hoare has been associated with this church for over 70 years.

When a recommendation of a grant for £5 5s. be made towards the expenses of the American tour came before the Oxford Diocesan Guild annual meeting, Miss Marie R. Cross, the hon. general secretary who has been to Washington recently, denied emphatically the suggestion that it was towards her expenses. The incident caused much amusement.

# John Taylor & Co.

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Mr. Ernest Weatherby, who is now living at Alhambra, California, writes that according to the records of his family a Thomas Weatherby rang in a peal of Grandsire Triples at St. Martin le Grand, London, on February 24th, 1736. He asks if there is a peal board in the belfry.

The band who rang in the peal at Southminster, Essex, express thanks to Liz Sandwell for the excellent lunch she provided afterwards.

A progressive end-of-term peal was rung by Durham University Society at Brancepeth, on June 23rd. It included three first peals and one first on eight.

The quarter peal at Aldbourne should be associated with Mr. T. Arthur Palmer, secretary of the Marlborough Branch, who is still recovering from an accident sustained at work during May.

Another Diocesan Guild has a lady Master. The Swansea and Brecon Diocesan Guild at their annual meeting elected Miss Kathleen M. Watkins, of Sketty, Swansea. In 1962 this Guild had Miss Hazel Way as Master.

The local band at Wittersham, Kent, temporarily depleted by force of circumstances, wish to acknowledge the help of Mr. Crawford T. Hillis and his band, in the ringing of the quarter peal on June 27th for the 80th birthday of Mr. Wm. C. Pankhurst, formerly organist and choirmaster at the Parish Church. Acknowledgements also to Mr. and Mrs. Pat Denne for making the arrangements and providing refreshments.

The band who rang the quarter peal at St. James', Taunton, consisted of some of the friends Mr. E. H. Langley has made while living in Somerset. They were: Treble, captain of St. Mary's, Taunton; 2, secretary of the Taunton Branch, Bath and Wells Assoc.; 3, Staplegrove ringer; 5, the general secretary of Bath and Wells Assoc.; 6, captain of Wiveliscombe; 7, Waterrow; 8, captain of St. Mary's, Bridgwater. To these and other ringers in Somerset and Devon, who have helped E. H. Langley in his ringing, he would like to say a sincere thank you.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

On St. John's Day, when the new ring of five was dedicated at Heather Lewis, one of the new band of recruits was interred in the churchyard. While riding a scooter he came into collision with a lorry at Istock which ended fatally. The lay-reader is captain of the band and despite this sad occurrence, hopes are entertained about the progress of the band.

From Stow-on-the-Wold: 'I would like to congratulate "The Ringing World" as an advertising medium. We had six ringers from St. Albans, four from Southampton and two from Wallingford at our meeting.'

We were able to stop the publication of a false peal of Cassisbury rung at Drughlington for the Yorkshire Association, on June 18th. Mr. Henry Fielden, the conductor, sends his apologies.

Mr. E. Hotine writes thanking Mr. Robert E. Lester for the excellent day's ringing he provided for a small band from the Ipswich district on Whit Monday when they toured mid-Norfolk.

The Coco-Cola Company has provided for the New York World Fair a carillon of 610 'bells' (tiny rods of bronze which are amplified by banks of high-fidelity speakers) housed in a 120-foot tower. If any British brewery feels similarly interested in bell music—there are Cathedrals, such as Guildford, waiting for the completion of a ring of genuine bells.

Although the well-kept church at Harkslead, Suffolk, has a good ring of five—three by Thomas Gardiner, of Sudbury and two by Miles Graye, of Colchester, they were 'unpealed,' it is believed, until June 20th. They are on plain bearings, installed with a new oak frame by Bowell in 1899, and 'go' well writes Mr. Alan H. Andrew.

The quarter peal of Minor rung at Henlow, on June 28th, was a farewell to Mr. O. S. J. Philbrick, who has been stationed at Henlow for nearly three years and has been a great help to Henlow tower. He is also congratulated on being awarded the M.B.E. in the recent Honours List. His next station will be Abingdon.

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**TWELVE AND TEN BELL PEALS****THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

LIVERPOOL, Lancashire.—The Church of Our Lady and St. Nicholas.

*On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 3 Hours and 37 Minutes,***A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES**

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

THOMAS W. HESKETH .. Treble	† PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. .. 7
KENNETH J. HESKETH .. 2	JOHN ROBINSON .. .. 8
TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. 3	DEREK A. ASHTON .. .. 9
* RICHARD S. STARKIE .. 4	† GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. 10
* ALAN SHARPLES .. 5	FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. 11
CHRISTOPHER K. COOPER .. 6	† PETER S. BENNETT .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by TUDOR P. EDWARDS.

\* First peal on 12 bells. † First of Cinques.

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

NORWICH, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Peter, Mancroft.

*On Sun., June 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes,***A PEAL OF 5059 GRANDSIRE CINQUES**

Tenor 37 cwt. 99 lb. in C.

NOLAN GOLDEN .. Treble	MARTIN CUBITT .. .. 7
STANLEY W. GALL .. 2	JOHN COX .. .. 8
* JANET BUSS .. 3	DAVID HEIGHTON .. .. 9
CLIFFORD BIRD .. 4	F. CHARLES GOODMAN .. 10
* KENNETH BROWN .. 5	BERT GOGLE .. .. 11
DAVID CUBITT .. 6	H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

\* First peal on 12 bells.

Rung by members of the Mancroft Guild for the service of thanks-giving for the completion of the restoration of the roof and clerestory.

The composition contains all the 5679E80, 5678E90, 6587E90 and 658709E course-ends.

**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**

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

*On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes,***A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

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

MARY C. POYNER .. Treble	* DONALD J. BEACH .. .. 6
DAVID FRIEND .. 2	WILLIAM L. EXTON .. .. 7
HARRY POYNER .. 3	B. STEDMAN PAYNE .. .. 8
* DAVID D. PARSONS .. 4	W. NEVILLE BROWN .. 9
* GEORGE A. DAWSON .. 5	JOHN R. PRATCHETT .. .. Tenor

Composed by B. JEALOUS. Conducted by WILLIAM L. EXTON.

\* First peal on ten

**EIGHT BELL PEALS****THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

CLEVEDON, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

*On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,***A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

* F. CECIL MOGFORD .. Treble	GEOFFREY H. PULLIN .. .. 5
* ALAN TUBB .. 2	MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. 6
HUGH N. EVANS .. 3	PETER BRIDLE .. .. 7
D. JOHN HUNT .. 4	RALPH G. EDWARDS .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. E. CRITCHLEY. Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

\* First peal of Yorkshire.

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

FRODSHAM, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Lawrence.

*On Wed., June 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,***A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. Treble	RICHARD S. STARKIE .. .. 5
HAZEL A. ARROWSMITH .. 2	THOMAS W. HESKETH .. .. 6
* MALCOLM A. PHILLIPS .. 3	JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. 7
CHRISTOPHER K. COOPER .. 4	JOHN R. BIBBY .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by TUDOR P. EDWARDS.

\* First peal of Stedman 'inside.' Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lb.

**THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

CHESTER-LE-STREET, Co. Durham.—SS. Mary &amp; Cuthbert Church.

*On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,***A PEAL OF 5088 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

M. ELAINE MURCOTT .. Treble	GEORGE S. DEAS .. .. 5
DAVID J. MARSHALL .. 2	ERIC N. HARRISON .. .. 6
WILLIAM G. WILSON .. 3	DENIS A. BAYLES .. .. 7
MICHAEL MAUGHAN .. 4	ALAN R. PATTERSON .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. KIPPIN. Conducted by ALAN R. PATTERSON.

First peal in the method as conductor. Tenor 19 cwt. 2 lb. in E.

**SUNDERLAND, Co. Durham.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.***On Wed., June 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,***A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb. in F.

IRIS THOMSON .. Treble	FREDERICK ROSS .. .. 5
DAVID J. MARSHALL .. 2	MICHAEL MAUGHAN .. .. 6
M. ELAINE MURCOTT .. 3	GEORGE S. DEAS .. .. 7
KENNETH LAWSON .. 4	ERIC N. HARRISON .. .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by ERIC N. HARRISON.

**THE DURHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY**

BRANCEPETH, Co. Durham.—At the Church of St. Brandon.

*On Tues., June 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,***A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb. in F sharp.

C. M. SAVILLE (Neville's) Treble	† R. M. FLANAGAN (Cuthbert's) 5
† A. F. DICKEN (Mary's) .. 2	L. R. PIZZEY (John's) .. 6
† B. REDGERS (John's) .. 3	W. G. WILSON (Chad's) .. 7
S. BUCHANAN (Hild's) .. 4	D. J. MARSHALL (Bede) .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by DAVID J. MARSHALL.

\* First peal on eight. † First peal.

Rung for the eve of St. John-the-Baptist.

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

GOLDHANGER, Essex.—At the Church of St. Peter.

*On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,***A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Johnson's variation.	Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in A flat.
HARRY R. APPLETON .. Treble	* DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. 5
MICHAEL J. COWLING .. 2	JOE E. G. ROAST .. .. 6
PETER G. BROWN .. 3	JAMES L. TOWLER .. .. 7
PETER J. CAME .. 4	IAN R. PANTON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOE E. G. ROAST.

\* 350th peal.

A wedding compliment to Michael Edwards and Janet Groves, married this day at Broomfield.

**HARLOW COMMON, Essex.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.***On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,***A PEAL OF 5120 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 9 lb.

ARTHUR G. MASON .. Treble	GEORGE A. SPENCER .. .. 5
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 2	COLIN A. S. HARWOOD .. 6
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 3	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 7
JACK S. DEAR .. 4	FREDERICK J. CULLUM .. Tenor

Composed by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.  
Conducted by G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY.**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

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

*On Fri., June 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,***A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 lb. in E flat.

MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. Treble	† W. BERTRAM KYNASTON .. 5
GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. 2	RICHARD J. BOWDEN .. 6
* JACQUELINE A. HOBBS .. 3	PETER BRIDLE .. .. 7
† ALAN TUBB .. 4	D. JOHN HUNT .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGELEY. Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

\* First peal of Lincolnshire 'inside.' † First of Lincolnshire. First of Lincolnshire on the bells.

Rung as a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Kynaston.

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

*On Tues., May 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes,***A PEAL OF 5152 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb.

REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE Treble	BRIAN G. WARWICK .. .. 5
* SANDRA E. CHESTERTON .. 2	RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. 6
RAYMOND A. G. BENFIELD .. 3	G. RONALD EDWARDS .. 7
JOSEPH WM. COTTON .. 4	† A. JAMES POYNOR .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by A. JAMES POYNOR.

\* First peal in the method. † 50th peal together. First in the method as conductor.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

WILLESDEN, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. Mary.

*On Thurs., June 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,***A PEAL OF 5024 SELBORNE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

H. GEORGE HART .. Treble	ALICK CUTLER .. .. 5
JOAN BERESFORD .. 2	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 6
CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. 3	J. RICHARD CASTLEDINE .. 7
ELSIE K. HART .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

First peal in the method (Corrigan, No. 280).

Rung in honour of the birth of a second son, Nicholas John, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Hill.

**SELBORNE SURPRISE MAJOR**

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2nds place L.E. 14263857. 4ths place bobs.

**HACKNEY, E.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.***On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 3 Hours,***A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM .. Treble	BERNARD E. MATTHEWS .. 5
CLIVE W. SIMPSON .. 2	PETER JOYCE .. .. 6
BRYAN C. BURROUGH .. 3	* LEONARD J. NORTH .. .. 7
LORNA E. SIMPSON .. 4	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. Tenor

Composed by ROGER BALDWIN. Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

\* First peal of Surprise.

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb. in F.

Rung for the Patronal Festival.



**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**  
**NEWTON-LE-WILLOWS, Lancashire.**—At the Church of St. Peter.  
*On Sun., June 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 13 cwt. in F sharp.  
 TUDOR P. EDWARDS... .. Treble DEREK A. ASHTON ... .. 5  
 \*RICHARD S. STARKIE ... .. 2 PETER S. BENNETT ... .. 6  
 KENNETH J. HESKETH ... .. 3 FREDERICK SHALLCROSS ... .. 7  
 \*PHILIP J. ROTHERA ... .. 4 GEORGE E. THODAY ... .. Tenor  
 Composed by S. J. IVIN. Conducted by TUDOR P. EDWARDS.  
 \* First peal in the method. Tenor 24 cwt. 2 qr. 5 lb. in D.

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.**  
**NETHERSEALE, Derbyshire.**—At the Church of St. Peter.  
*On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 71 lb. in G.  
 WILLIAM F. WOODWARD ... Treble IAN J. FRASER ... .. 5  
 ALAN E. HARTLEY ... .. 2 A. JAMES POYNOR ... .. 6  
 DAVID J. ALLEN ... .. 3 J. BARRY PICKUP ... .. 7  
 JOSEPH WM. COTTON ... .. 4 R. KINGSLEY MASON ... .. Tenor  
 Composed by SHIRLEY BURTON. Conducted by R. KINGSLEY MASON.  
 Rung for the Patronal Festival.

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**OXFORD.**—At the Church of St. Ebbe.  
*On Thurs., June 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5056 WINCHESTER SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 4 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.  
 A. JAMES ADAMS ... .. Treble NOEL J. DISERENS ... .. 5  
 PETER J. HERITAGE ... .. 2 BRIAN W. HALL ... .. 6  
 EDWARD R. VENN ... .. 3 CHARLES COLES ... .. 7  
 FREDERICK W. SODEN ... .. 4 ALAN R. PINK ... .. Tenor  
 Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.  
 First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Guild.

**READING, Berkshire.**—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.  
*On Sun., June 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5088 GLASGOW SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb.  
 \*HELEN M. DISERENS ... Treble \*BRIAN J. LUFF ... .. 5  
 \*PATRICIA DISERENS ... .. 2 \*FRANK W. LEWIS ... .. 6  
 JOHN N. DISERENS ... .. 3 RONALD F. DISERENS ... .. 7  
 \*JENNIFER M. COOK ... .. 4 NOEL J. DISERENS ... .. Tenor  
 Composed by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY. Conducted by RONALD F. DISERENS.  
 \* First peal in the method.

**BURFORD, Oxon.**—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.  
*On Fri., June 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**  
 Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.  
 FREDERICK W. SODEN ... Treble D. KAY ADKINS ... .. 5  
 BRIAN W. HALL ... .. 2 WILLIAM J. DIXON ... .. 6  
 ERNEST J. HILL ... .. 3 BERTRAM J. COGGINS ... .. 7  
 PETER PEARCE ... .. 4 THOMAS W. TIMMS ... .. Tenor  
 Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by D. KAY ADKINS.  
 Rung for the Patronal Festival; also to mark the birth of a granddaughter to the ringer of the seventh. Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr.

**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**DAVENTRY, Northamptonshire.**—At the Church of the Holy Cross.  
*On Fri., June 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5021 FAWLEY SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.  
 MALCOLM J. V. CHOWS ... Treble RODERICK W. PIPE ... .. 5  
 AVRIL IVIN ... .. 2 DAVID J. ALLEN ... .. 6  
 ALAN A. PAUL ... .. 3 STEPHEN IVIN ... .. 7  
 PATRICK I. CHAPMAN ... .. 4 PETER BORDER ... .. Tenor  
 Composed by STEPHEN IVIN. Conducted by PETER BORDER.  
 This peal, which is the first in the method, is the minimum possible length for a peal of Surprise Major, and is the first such peal in a single method.

**FAWLEY SURPRISE MAJOR**  
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**THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**MELKSHAM, Wiltshire.**—The Church of St. Michael and All Angels.  
*On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 In five methods, comprising 1,056 of Cambridge, 1,024 each of Yorkshire, Pudsey and Lincolnshire, 960 of Superlative; with 126 changes of method. Tenor 184 cwt. in E.  
 MICHAEL J. STANLEY ... Treble GORDON W. LAND ... .. 5  
 \*†PETER BRIDLE ... .. 2 D. JOHN HUNT ... .. 6  
 \*GILLIAN M. HUSSEY ... .. 3 ANTHONY R. PEAKE ... .. 7  
 †‡MICHAEL J. HOBBS ... .. 4 BRIAN BLADON ... .. Tenor  
 Arranged by E. A. BARNETT. Conducted by ANTHONY R. PEAKE.  
 \* 25th peal together. † 50th peal together. ‡ 50th of Surprise Major.  
 First of Major in five methods by all except 6 and tenor.

**NORTH BRADLEY, Wiltshire.**—At the Church of St. Nicholas.  
*On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 13 cwt. in F sharp.  
 BRIAN BLADON ... .. Treble MICHAEL J. HOBBS ... .. 5  
 PETER BRIDLE ... .. 2 \*MICHAEL J. STANLEY ... .. 6  
 GILLIAN M. HUSSEY ... .. 3 GORDON W. LAND ... .. 7  
 ANTHONY R. PEAKE ... .. 4 D. JOHN HUNT ... .. Tenor  
 Composed by R. F. B. SPEED. Conducted by GORDON W. LAND.  
 \* First peal of Yorkshire away from treble. First of Surprise Major as conductor, and 50th of Surprise.

**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
**BALCOMBE, Sussex.**—At the Church of St. Mary.  
*On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr.  
 FRANK W. LEWIS ... .. Treble WILLIAM T. BEESON ... .. 5  
 \*PATRICIA DISERENS ... .. 2 BERNARD E. MATTHEWS ... .. 6  
 EDGAR R. RAPLEY ... .. 3 BRIAN J. LUFF ... .. 7  
 \*EUNICE A. LEWIS ... .. 4 †RONALD F. DISERENS ... .. Tenor  
 Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by RONALD F. DISERENS.  
 \* First peal in the method. † 250th peal.

**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**  
**PERSHORE, Worcestershire.**—At the Abbey Church of the Holy Cross.  
*On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**  
 J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part (7th obs.). Tenor 28 cwt. in D.  
 \*GILLIAN A. RICHARDS ... Treble †ARTHUR C. BERRY ... .. 5  
 ALLEN MORGAN ... .. 2 JOHN E. WHITTALL ... .. 6  
 †IAN LLOYD ... .. 3 REGINALD WOODYATT ... .. 7  
 ‡JAMES ATTWOOD, JUN. ... .. 4 ‡EDWIN W. BICK ... .. Tenor  
 Conducted by REGINALD WOODYATT.  
 \* First peal, and first attempt. † First of Triples. ‡ First on eight bells.  
 Rung for the opening of the Pershore festival.

**STOURBRIDGE, Worcestershire.**—At the Church of St. Thomas.  
**A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**  
 Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb. in E.  
 PETER J. BROWN ... .. Treble GEOFFREY WESTWOOD ... .. 5  
 WILLIAM H. COOPER ... .. 2 MICHAEL J. FELLOWS ... .. 6  
 DEREK H. WATSON ... .. 3 JOHN C. EISEL ... .. 7  
 RAYMOND SMITH ... .. 4 MARTIN D. FELLOWS ... .. Tenor  
 Composed by GEORGE HUGHES. Conducted by MARTIN D. FELLOWS.  
 Rung to mark the opening of the Christian Stewardship Campaign; also a compliment to Frederick V. Nicholls on completing 25 years as Ringing Master.

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
**LIVERSEDGE, Yorkshire.**—At Christ Church.  
*On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 3 Hours.*  
**A PEAL OF 5104 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**  
 Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb. in E.  
 \*SUSAN M. RHODES ... Treble PETER A. KIRKBY ... .. 5  
 IRIS LEMARE ... .. 2 S. BARRY SCHOFIELD ... .. 6  
 OLIVIA A. MARSHALL ... .. 3 †ROGER J. LUMLEY ... .. 7  
 A. WILLIAM KIRKBY ... .. 4 LEONARD GOODALL ... .. Tenor  
 Composed by LEONARD GOODALL. Conducted by ROGER J. LUMLEY.  
 \* First peal. † First as conductor.

**NORTON, Yorkshire.**—At the Church of St. Peter.  
*On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**  
 Heywood's var. of Thurstan's 4-Part. Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb. in F.  
 ROBIN H. ROGERS ... Treble \*DAVID S. JOHNSON ... .. 5  
 \*JANET I. PORTER ... .. 2 \*CHRISTOPHER C. BROWN ... .. 6  
 ALBERT W. A. LEGGETT ... .. 3 WILFRID F. MORETON ... .. 7  
 \*IAN G. CAMPBELL ... .. 4 RONALD DUCKER ... .. Tenor  
 Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.  
 \* First peal of Stedman. First of Stedman on the bells.

**SHERBURN-IN-ELMET, Yorkshire.**—At the Church of All Saints.  
*On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Pitstow's. Tenor 15 cwt.  
 DAVID SHEPPARD ... Treble JOHN POTTS ... .. 5  
 IRIS LEMARE ... .. 2 DAVID SMITH ... .. 6  
 ALLAN SHEPPARD ... .. 3 J. MARTIN THORLEY ... .. 7  
 J. NEVILLE PARKIN ... .. 4 J. HENRY FIELDEN ... .. Tenor  
 Conducted by J. HENRY FIELDEN.

**WORTLEY, Yorkshire.**—At the Church of St. Leonard.  
*On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 3 Hours.*  
**A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED KENT AND OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR**  
 Tenor 12 cwt. 17 lb. in G.  
 JOHN J. L. GILBERT ... Treble †CHRISTOPHER MOXON ... .. 5  
 \*ELIZABETH PEACE ... .. 2 \*NOEL F. MOXON ... .. 6  
 \*SUSAN PEACE ... .. 3 CYRIL RUSBY ... .. 7  
 \*HERMAN RUSBY ... .. 4 †TREVOR TARBATT ... .. Tenor  
 Composed by E. C. GOBEY. Conducted by JOHN J. L. GILBERT.  
 \* First peal of Spliced T.B. Major. † First on eight bells.  
 Rung to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the ordination of Canon A. P. Morley as Rector of Barnsley.



## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

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

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb. in G.

*ANDREW G. STEVENS .. Treble	MICHAEL J. WAKE .. .. 5
ANTHONY R. COPE .. .. 2	PHILIP STEVENS .. .. 6
†ANNE M. SMITH .. .. 3	E. WINIFRED KEYS .. .. 7
WILLIAM T. BEESON .. .. 4	STANLEY G. PONTING .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by E. WINIFRED KEYS.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First of Major 'inside.'  
Rung in memory of Frederick W. Rogers, who rang many peals at this tower.**FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS**

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

WISTASTON, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Fri., June 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being two extents of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and five of Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt. 6 lb. in B.

*HOWARD G. FLYNN .. Treble	JAMES S. BAKER .. .. 4
FREDERICK S. SUTTON .. 2	†TERENCE E. TRICKETT .. 5
FRANK R. MORTON .. .. 3	HERBERT SUTTON .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK R. MORTON.

\* First peal of Minor. † First of Minor 'inside.'

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

SOUTHMINSTER, Essex.—At the Church of St. Leonard.

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being extents of Double Court, Double Oxford, Kent T.B., St. Clement's Bob, Oxford T.B., Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

ALFRED J. HOUSE .. Treble	FRANK C. MAY .. .. 4
ANDREW J. SALISBURY .. 2	DAVID E. BELCHAM .. .. 5
GERALD D. J. SANDWELL .. 3	MICHAEL J. HALLETT .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL J. HALLETT.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

LANGLEYBURY, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Paul.

On Wed., June 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

In seven methods, being extents of (1) Northumberland, (2) Carlisle, (3) Sandiacre, (4) Alnwick, (5) Newcastle, (6) Cuncastre, (7) Westminster. Tenor 8 cwt. 13 lb.

BRIAN M. BARKER .. Treble	AUGUSTIN V. GOOD .. .. 4
ANTONY R. KENCH .. .. 2	REGINALD E. J. SHEPPARD .. 5
WALTER AYRE .. .. 3	KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

A birthday compliment to R. E. J. Sheppard.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

AUGHTON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES**

Being 42 extents (four callings). Tenor 5½ cwt.

*CAROL A. SMITH .. Treble	†STANLEY J. LIVERLEY .. 4
*VICTOR DRAPER .. .. 2	§FREDERICK PEARSON .. .. 5
†MARTIN E. SNAPE .. .. 3	*T. EDWARD TAYLOR .. Tenor

Jointly Conducted by the ringers of 2, 3 and 5.

\* First peal. † First of Doubles. § First of Plain Bob and of Doubles. § 50th peal.

HELMSHORE, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Thomas.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In five methods, being one extent Oxford T.B., two Cambridge Surprise, two Kent T.B., one Oxford Bob and one Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

NORMAN SHERRATT .. Treble	PHILIP A. MASON .. .. 4
*CHRISTINE BIRKS .. .. 2	DENNIS LATHAM .. .. 5
HAROLD DOWLER .. .. 3	WALTER SHERRATT .. Tenor

Conducted by DENNIS LATHAM.

\* First peal 'inside' of Minor.

AUGHTON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Tues., June 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent each of Kent and Oxford T.B., two Cambridge and three Plain Bob. Tenor 5 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in C sharp.

RICHARD S. STARKIE .. Treble	MALCOLM A. PHILLIPS .. 4
HAZEL A. ARROWSMITH .. 2	JOHN H. FIELDEN .. .. 5
*CHRISTOPHER K. COOPER .. 3	TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. Tenor

\* 50th peal. Conducted by JOHN H. FIELDEN.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

THURCASTON, Leicestershire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., June 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

In seven methods, viz.: (1) Chester, (2) London, (3) Wells, (4) York, (5) Bourne, (6) Beverley, (7) Cambridge. Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lb. in F.

GEORGE L. PICKERING .. Treble	K. PAUL GILLIVER .. .. 4
CHRISTINE J. STRATFORD .. 2	JOHN WATKINS .. .. 5
JENNIFER STRATFORD .. .. 3	MICHAEL E. BROWN .. .. 6

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

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

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents, each called differently. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 28 lb.

HARRY BARNES .. Treble	RICHARD A. WEBSTER .. 4
RONALD RUSSELL .. .. 2	*JAMES LYONS .. .. 5
GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 3	JAMES H. MUSSON .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.

\* First peal 'inside.'

A birthday compliment to the conductor's daughter, Beverley June.

ULCEBY, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Wed., June 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being extents of Single Oxford, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 8 lb. in G sharp.

ARTHUR PASHLEY .. Treble	†JOHN H. PARKER .. .. 4
*GEOFFREY BROMFIELD .. 2	ERIC HOTINE .. .. 5
SEPTIMUS NEAVE .. .. 3	MICHAEL W. CROWDER .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL W. CROWDER.

\* First peal in seven methods. † First of Minor.

Rung as a wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. John H. Parker, of Cleethorpes.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CASTLEACRE, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sun., June 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being four extents of Plain Bob and one extent each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and St. Clement's. Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.

NEVILLE GREENACRE .. Treble	M. ROWLAND REED .. .. 4
LESLIE W. HOUGHTON .. 2	TONY OWEN .. .. 5
ERNEST H. MASTIN .. .. 3	NORMAN V. HARDING .. Tenor

Conducted by NORMAN V. HARDING.

A compliment to the Vicar of Castleacre, the Rev. J. H. Bloom, on the 25th anniversary of his priesthood.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

STANTON HARCOURT, Oxon.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Mon., June 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Being two extents each of College Exercise, Oxford, and one each of Kingston, Norbury and Kent. Tenor 12 cwt.

*T. GEOFFREY HOLDEN .. Treble	PETER PEARCE .. .. 4
*JAMES F. LIST .. .. 2	D. KAY ADKINS .. .. 5
PETER G. HOLDEN .. .. 3	BERTRAM J. COGGINS .. Tenor

Conducted by D. KAY ADKINS.

\* First peal. † First of Treble Bob.

STEVENTON, Berkshire.—The Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Mon., June 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In 14 methods, viz.: (1) Cambridge and Primrose Surprise, (2) College Exercise and Norbury, (3) Duke of Norfolk and Ockley, (4) Oxford and Kent, (5) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (6) Thelwall and Childwall, (7) Plain and Double Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb.

*BERTRAM J. COGGINS .. Treble	NOEL J. DISERENS .. .. 4
D. KAY ADKINS .. .. 2	EDWARD R. VENN .. .. 5
CHRISTOPHER C. CLARKE .. 3	ALAN R. PINK .. .. Tenor

\* 50th peal. Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

Rung in connection with the Steventon Church of England School centenary celebrations.

HINTON WALDRIST, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Margaret.

On Wed., June 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

Being 42 extents (ten callings). Tenor 6½ cwt.

*RICHARD MILES .. Treble	DENNIS LESLIE .. .. 4
†JOSEPH STRAWFORD .. 2	NORMAN LESLIE .. .. 5
JOSS C. I. PEARCE .. .. 3	C. TOM TIMMS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DENNIS LESLIE.

\* First peal attempt. † First 'inside.'

Rung by V.W.H. Branch members.

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## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

ASKERSWELL, Dorset.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Tenor 11 cwt.

HARRY CRABB .. .. . Treble	*JOHN MEAD .. .. . 4
JOSEPH T. BARNETT .. .. 2	JESSE DAVIS .. .. . 5
H. DENNIS W. BISHOP .. .. 3	*WILLIAM LEWIS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by H. DENNIS W. BISHOP.

\* First peal.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

CROPWELL BISHOP, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Giles

On Fri., June 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being six extents each of Rev. Canterbury Pleasure, Southrepps, Plain Bob, Kennington, April Day, Rev. St. Bartholomew and Grandsire.

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 24 lb. in F.

*DIANE C. BARKER .. .. Treble	RUTH BLACKSHAW .. .. 3
MARGARET E. CHILTON .. .. 2	MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 4
WILLIAM L. EXTON .. .. . Tenor	

Conducted by WILLIAM L. EXTON.

\* First peal.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

GNOSALL, Staffordshire.—At the Collegiate Church of St. Lawrence.

On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

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

Tenor 17 cwt.

E. MARION KEY .. .. . Treble	EDWARD V. RODENHURST .. 4
IAN FRIEND .. .. . 2	RICHARD E. MORRIS .. .. 5
REMI M. HODGKIN .. .. . 3	BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

Rung for the wedding of Miss Shirley Dyke and Mr. Rodney Downe.

## SHARESHILL, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents.

Tenor 9 cwt.

*JOHN D. R. SMITH .. .. Treble	BARNABAS G. KEY .. .. 4
HARRY BUTLER .. .. . 2	†IAN FRIEND .. .. . 5
†E. MARION KEY .. .. . 3	†ANTHONY TALBOT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

\* First peal. † First of Bob Doubles.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

HARKSTEAD, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Consisting of ten extents each of St. Martin's, St. Simon's and Plain Bob, eight extents and two 240's of Grandsire.

Tenor 10 cwt.

RONALD W. STEWARD .. Treble	NEVILLE F. WHITTEL .. 3
ROBERT E. LESTER .. .. 2	ALAN R. ANDREWS .. .. 4
EDWARD E. DAVEY .. .. . Tenor	

Conducted by ALAN R. ANDREWS.

First peal on the bells.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION

HASCOMBE, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 13 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 43 methods in 42 extents, as follows: One extent of Plain Bob and Boxford Spliced, and one extent each of Southrepps, St. Simon, St. Giles, St. Martin, St. Miles, Kennington, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Albans, St. Nicholas, St. Paul, Winchendon Place, Old, St. Columb, Cassington, St. Thomas, St. Peter, St. Luke, April Day, Eynsham, Clifford's Pleasure, St. Andrew, St. Leonard, St. John, Beshorpe, Costessy, Shropham, Norwich, Mileham, Walsingham, Seighford, Elford, Little Aston, Shreshill, Austrey, Ryton, St. Vedast, St. Remigius, St. Osmund, Stedman, Antelope and Grandsire.

Tenor 3 cwt. 3 qr. 17 lb. in D.

MARGARET E. FORT .. .. Treble	ALISON M. MANN .. .. 3
CHRISTOPHER F. MEW .. .. 2	*ALAN R. MILLIDGE .. .. 4
DAVID C. BROOKES .. .. . Tenor	

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER F. MEW.

\* First peal of Doubles. Most methods to a peal for all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

Rung as a farewell to Margaret Fort, who is returning to Lancashire to teach.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

HEVER, Kent.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Fri., May 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different 720's.

Tenor 8½ cwt. in A.

DEREK SLATER .. .. . Treble	JACK LEPPARD .. .. . 4
*DIANA M. BUTCHER .. .. 2	JOHN A. HOWARD .. .. . 5
EVELYN M. HICKS .. .. . 3	FRANK H. HICKS .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by FRANK H. HICKS.

\* First peal 'inside.'

Rung to celebrate the birth of Anthony David, son of the ringer of the fifth and Mrs. Valerie Howard.

WEST GRINSTEAD, Sussex.—At the Church of St. George.

On Wed., June 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of London Surprise, Wells Surprise, St. Clement's, Beverley Surprise, Surfleet Surprise, Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt. 7 lb.

CECIL R. LONGHURST .. Treble	ERIC T. LEE .. .. . 4
EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. .. . 2	BRIAN J. LUFF .. .. . 5
PATRICIA DISERENS .. .. 3	RONALD F. DISERENS .. Tenor

Conducted by RONALD F. DISERENS.

Rung to mark the birth of a son, John, to Sheila and Richard Verrill.

## THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY.

SHIPHAM, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Leonard.

On Tues., June 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of Cambridge Surprise and two extents each of Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

Tenor 8½ cwt. in G.

*CHRISTINE A. SNELLING .. Treble	C. MARTIN FOSTER .. .. 4
DAVID HEIGHTON .. .. . 2	DEREK B. WILLIAMS .. .. 5
†JANET D. PHILLIPS .. .. 3	PATRICK J. BIRD .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by DAVID HEIGHTON.

\* First peal. † First in four methods.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

WYCHBOLD, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary-de-Wyche.

On Sun., June 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being extents of Oxford Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford Bob, Oxford Bob, Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's, College Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 10½ cwt. in G sharp.

ANTHONY P. WHITE .. .. Treble	MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. .. 4
JOHN E. WHITTALL .. .. . 2	PAUL CATTERMOLF .. .. 5
ARTHUR C. BERRY .. .. . 3	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. Tenor

Conducted by PAUL CATTERMOLF.

First peal of Minor in seven methods by all the band except the conductor.

Rung to welcome the Rev. James R. Hunter-Bailey on the eve of his induction and institution as Vicar of Wychbold.

## STRENSHAM, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sun., June 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 12 240's (six Morris's, six Pitman's) and 18 extents (ten callings).

*BARRY COLLINGS .. .. Treble	*MARTIN J. BOSKETT .. .. 4
ARTHUR A. JOPP .. .. . 2	JAMES ATTWOOD, JUN. .. 5
†ARTHUR C. BERRY .. .. . 3	†RONALD J. STEPHENS .. Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR C. BERRY.

\* First peal attempt. † First of Grandsire.

Rung as a golden wedding compliment to the conductor's grandparents.

Tenor 11 cwt.

## STOULTON, Worcestershire.—At the Campanile.

On Wed., June 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

MRS. A. A. JOPP .. .. . Treble	R. GEORGE MORRIS .. .. 4
*ANDREW JOPP (10) .. .. 2	ARTHUR A. JOPP .. .. . 5
ARTHUR BERRY .. .. . 3	*ROSALIND PORTER (12) .. Tenor

Conducted by R. GEORGE MORRIS.

\* First peal.

Tenor 3 qr. 23 lb. in C.

## CROPTHORNE, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being an extent each of Double Oxford, Single Oxford, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Kennington, Southrepps and two of Plain Bob.

RONALD J. STEPHENS .. Treble	JAMES ATTWOOD, JUN. .. 4
JOHN E. WHITTALL .. .. 2	ARTHUR C. BERRY .. .. . 5
ANTHONY P. WHITE .. .. 3	C. BARRIE DOVE .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

Tenor 10 cwt.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

RICKMANSWORTH, Hertfordshire.—At Flat 1, Rectory Road.

On Mon., June 22, 1964, in 1 Hour and 59 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent Double Bob and six extents of Plain Bob, called differently.

Tenor size 11 in G.

*MICHAEL HUTCHETT .. 1—2	*A. TREVOR HAWKINS .. 3—4
GILES B. THOMPSON (Cond.)	5—6

\* First peal of two methods 'in hand.'

Rung on the Feast of St. Alban, Martyr.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

CHALFONT ST. PETER, Buckinghamshire.—At 26, Fieldway.

On Fri., June 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 5 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor size 11 in G.

*EDGAR G. SWIFT .. .. 1—2	A. TREVOR HAWKINS .. 3—4
GILES B. THOMPSON (Cond.)	5—6

\* First peal 'in hand.'



## DATE TOUCH

**BACKWELL, SOMERSET.**—On June 29th, 1964 Siedman Triples (by James Toppl): M. Legg 1, H. W. Knight 2, T. Phillips 3, D. Gay 4, L. Derrick 5, S. Smith 6, G. Prescott (cond.) 7, H. Hardwicke 8.

**ABINGDON, BERKS.**—On June 7th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Barbara F. Banks (first quarter) 1, Heather A. Alford 2, J. R. Rowson 3, J. R. Poole (first 'inside') 4, W. A. Smith (cond.) 5, Caroline J. West (first quarter) 6. For the memorial to St. Edmund of Abingdon.

**ALDBOURNE, WILTS.**—On June 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Newman 1, A. Keen 2, Dr. H. Craig 3, A. W. Johnson 4, Rev. A. Clayton 5, Rev. R. Keeley (cond.) 6, B. Blaydon 7, T. Gilligan 8. First of Triples 2 and 4.

**ALTON, HANTS.**—On June 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Ann Biddlecombe 1, Susan Wood (first 'inside') 2, H. Moody 3, D. Hughes 4, B. Walton 5, L. Noakes 6, R. Corke (cond.) 7, A. Bone 8. To welcome the Bishop of Southampton, preaching at the nurses' rededication service.

**ASH, SURREY.**—On June 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Susan O. Brown (first quarter) 1, S. T. A. Russell 2, C. Harwood 3, Angela J. Smart 4, P. G. Smart 5, P. G. Sherwood (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**ASHBRITTON, SOMERSET.**—On June 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Aldridge 1, J. Smith 2, S. N. Bristow (cond.) 3, J. Manning 4, H. Bristow 5, F. Brice (first quarter) 6. For Sunday service.

**ASHTED, SURREY.**—On June 20th, 1,200 Grandsire Triples: J. Hayns 1, R. Bradbury 2, R. Mills 3, Sylvia Marsh 4, K. Game 5, A. Elmore 6, D. C. Brookes (cond.) 7, J. Davidge 8. Rung prior to the wedding of Marilyn Gibbs and Derek Airdge, both ringers at the church.

**BATTERSEA, LONDON.**—At St. Mary's, on June 14th, 1,273 Grandsire Triples: A. J. Way (first of Triples) 1, Mrs. G. G. Meyer 2, A. J. Hampton 3, Miss M. E. Powell 4, L. C. Way 5, F. E. Dadds 6, C. M. Meyer (comp. and cond.) 7, F. A. Benn 8. For Evensong.

**BINGHAM, SOMERSET.**—On June 21st, 1,260 Siedman Doubles: Miss S. Hallett 1, Miss B. Boyce 2, D. Adnett 3, G. Salmon (cond.) 4, R. G. Beck 5, E. J. Chivers 6. First of Siedman 1, 2 and 3. Rung half-muffled after Evensong in memoriam Rev. W. M. K. Warren, formerly Rector of Bingham and Master of the Diocesan Association from 1935-1945.

**BISHOP'S STORTFORD, HERTS.**—On June 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss J. Munday 1, Mrs. L. Goodman 2, Miss V. Perkin 3, P. Warboys 4, G. Goodman 5, R. Hayden 6, D. Kingston (cond.) 7, P. Williams (first quarter) 8. First of Grandsire Triples 1 and 2. For Evensong.

**BRAMLEY, SURREY.**—On May 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. G. Clark 1, T. Welton 2, J. H. Payton (cond.) 3, J. E. Clark 4, M. D. Fuller 5, L. Connor 6.

**BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.**—At St. Peter's Church, on June 7th, 1,296 Grandsire Caters: Frances P. Gilbert (first of Caters) 1, Angela Granger 2, Angela M. Wright 3, D. P. Snivell 4, Catherine M. Powell 5, J. R. Norris (first of Caters) 6, J. B. Long 7, M. J. Bew 8, B. G. North (first of Caters as cond.) 9, I. N. Pett 10. For Evensong, and as a birthday commitment to Albert W. Bond, captain of the tower.

**BRISTOL.**—At the Church of St. Ambrose on June 16th, 1,260 Siedman Triples: G. Marham 1, Miss G. M. Hussey 2, Mrs. J. A. Hobbs 3, M. J. Hobbs 4, A. Tubb 5, J. A. Bennett 6, D. I. Hunt (cond.) 7, F. R. Hussey 8. A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Hussey.

**BRISTOL.**—At Christ Church, on June 26th, 1,282 Cambridge Surprise Royal: J. M. Stallard 1, G. H. Pullin 2, Miss G. M. Hussey 3, Mrs. J. M. Tyley 4, M. J. Hobbs 5, R. J. Bowden 6, D. J. Hunt (cond.) 7, J. Bruin 8, J. R. Taylor 9, R. A. Southwood 10. For St. Peter's Day.

**BURRINGTON COOMBE, SOMERSET.**—On June 22nd, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: D. Gale 1, Rev. R. O. Fry 2, V. James 3, R. Gate 4, A. Gould 5, F. G. Sandy (first as cond.) 6. A wedding commitment to Mr. and Mrs. P. Walters.

**BREDBURY, CHESHIRE.**—On June 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. T. Biffage 1, Joyce Granger 2, E. Roushley 3, K. R. Divenport 4, G. R. Gardner 5, J. Robinson (cond.) 6. First quarter 1, 4 and 5.

**CORSTON, near BATH.**—On June 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: S. G. King 1, Miss J. L. Burt 2, Mrs. L. J. de Jong 3, S. Woodcock 4, L. R. G. Taylor 5, C. J. A. Brown 6, H. L. Parfrey (cond.) 7, F. Butlin (first of Triples) 8. Rung to welcome on June 21st Kathryn Anne, daughter of Ned and Barbara Hobbs; also for the 70th birthday of the tower master, Mr. S. G. King.

## QUARTER PEALS

**CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.**—On May 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. G. Clark 1, M. D. Fuller 2, J. F. Payne 3, J. H. Payton (cond.) 4, R. Cooper 5, L. Connor 6.

**CRIPPLEGATE, LONDON.**—On June 21st, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: W. J. Marlow 1, Miss L. G. Gallini 2, W. Hibbet 3, Miss M. Powell 4, M. S. Holbrook 5, D. A. H. Bennett 6, P. G. Holmes 7, D. Darby 8, J. Phillips (cond.) 9, R. Overington 10. First of Caters 1, 5, 7. For Evensong.

**EALING, LONDON.**—On June 28th, at St. Mary's Church, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Susan Davies (first quarter) 1, M. Thomas 2, P. Felton (cond.) 3, A. M. Stacey 4, F. Ransom 5, M. Sprackling 6, W. G. Wilson 7, N. Felton 8. For morning service.

**EALING, MIDDLEX.**—At St. Mary's on June 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Mitchell 1, M. Hatchett 2, A. M. Stacey 3, M. Sprackling 4, F. Ransom 5, A. Fulwell 6, W. G. Wilson (cond.) 7, F. D. Bishop 8. For Matins.

**EAST MEON, HANTS.**—On June 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. G. Clark 1, Joy Martin 2, R. E. Walker 3, J. E. Clark 4, C. E. Bassett (cond.) 5, N. J. Lambert 6. Rung fully muffled after the funeral of Mr. R. Fisher.

**ENFIELD, MIDDLEX.**—On June 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Lusan (first quarter) 1, Miss M. Twigg 2, Miss A. Lusan 3, M. Gibby (first of Triples 'inside') 4, H. Howson 5, R. Wood 6, J. Duggan (cond.) 7, D. Reeves 8. Rung for Communion service.

**EVERCRECH, SOMERSET.**—On June 26th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: V. Savage 1, D. C. M. Hill 2, P. Hull 3, H. J. Sanger 4, J. Metcalfe 5, F. Targett 6, D. MacKay 7, E. J. Chivers 8, G. Salmon (cond.) 9, A. White 10. Rung as an expression of gratitude for the life and work of the Rev. W. M. K. Warren, Master of the Bath and Wells Association from 1936 to 1945.

**EXETER, DEVON.**—At St. Petrock's Church, on June 19th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Ann Giles 1, K. Wanne 2, Pat Pavey 3, P. Pavey 4, A. White (first as cond.) 5, Rowena Graddon 6.

**GEDLING, NOTTS.**—On June 16th, 1,320 Doubles (seven methods): J. T. Burnup 1, Miss R. Blackshaw 2, D. Surman 3, M. W. Harrison 4, G. A. Diwson (cond.) 5, J. Dawson 6. Rung on the occasion of the visit of the Bishop of Southwell to the mother church of the deanery.

**GODALMING, SURREY.**—On June 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (7, 8 covering): Christine Abbott 1, Nicolai Stroud 2, J. W. Hagey 3, N. Stroud 4, R. J. C. Hagey 5, Elizabeth Stevinson (cond.) 6, H. Jones 7, P. G. Stroud 8. For Patronal Festival Evensong.

**GRANBY, NOTTS.**—On June 25th, 1,320 Doubles (five methods): D. Barker 1, Ruth Blackshaw 2, M. W. Harrison 3, C. R. Larkin 4, G. A. Dawson (cond.) 5, E. Miller (first quarter) 6. Congratulations to Robin Rogers and Janet Porter, on their engagement.

**HARPENDEN, HERTS.**—On June 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Lilian Sumner 1, A. E. Rushton 2, Mary A. Coburn 3, A. Day (cond.) 4, A. Smith 5, A. Wilby 6, F. C. Jacklin 7, I. G. Coburn 8. To mark the laying of the foundation stone of the new Church of All Saints, Harpenden.

**HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS.**—On June 6th, 1,440 Annable's London Surprise: P. E. Wells 1, Miss J. K. A. Cook 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, A. J. Davey 4, C. L. Bell 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service. Also on June 20th, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Mrs. R. B. Davey 1, P. Woolven 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, A. J. Davey 4, C. L. Bell 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service.

**HENLEY, SUFFOLK.**—On June 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: L. Braine (aged 14) 1, S. Hammond (aged 13) 2, Mrs. M. Egglestone 3, H. W. Egglestone (cond.) 4, S. Bloomfield 5, R. Groom (aged 15) 6. By the local company for the Patronal Festival. Also on the second anniversary of the formation of the band. Believed to be first quarter rung by a local band.

**HENLOW, BEDS.**—On June 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Harris 1, R. Fuller 2, F. Mitchell 3, J. Church 4, S. J. Philbrick 5, L. H. Bywaters (cond.) 6.

**HESSLE, E. YORKS.**—On June 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Sharpe 1, D. S. Johnson 2, Patricia M. Samuel 3, K. Kirk 4, J. A. Singleton 5, M. C. Faulkes (cond.) 6. Rung to welcome the birth of a daughter (Elisabeth Ann) to Ann, wife of the ringers of the fifth.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On June 14th, 1,260 Minor (Single Oxford, Plain Bob): D. Barker 1, R. Blackshaw 2, J. Dowse 3, R. Larkin 4, J. Heaps 5, M. W. Harrison (cond.) 6. For Evensong; also to congratulate T. Dutton and S. Meredith on their engagement.

**HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.**—On June 28th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: R. Mallett 1, S. Penfold 2, J. Carrott 3, Miss J. Peacock 4, F. G. Richardson 5, J. Fowler 6, A. J. Salisbury 7, F. V. Gant (cond.) 8. A welcome to the Ven. Hayman Johnson, Archdeacon of Sheffield and some time Vicar of Hornchurch, on Diocesan Sunday, it being the jubilee of the Chelmsford Diocese.

**HUTTON, ESSEX.**—On June 27th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): C. E. Hill 1, W. G. Wright 2, J. J. Waller (cond.) 3, W. T. Hill 4, R. G. Jones 5. To mark the dedication and opening this afternoon of Hutton (All Saints') Scout Group Headquarters.

**KING'S LANGLEY, HERTS.**—On May 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob and St. Clement's Minor: R. W. R. Picton 1, R. J. Picton 2, K. D. Waples 3, P. W. Harper 4, B. M. Barker 5, D. J. Goodman (first of Minor as cond.) 6. For Evensong: 75th quarter at King's Langley, also on June 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Spratt (first quarter) 1, D. J. Goodman 2, B. M. Barker 3, D. A. Bedford 4, K. D. Waples 5, P. W. Harper (cond.) 6. For Parish Communion.

**LEICESTER.**—At St. John's Church, on June 21st, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. Starbuck 1, R. K. Mason 2, S. H. Harrison 3, J. J. Fraser 4, N. E. Wade 5, R. E. Hardy (cond.) 6. For Evensong, and also a farewell to the conductor, who is leaving the district.

**LEWISHAM.**—At the Church of St. Mary on June 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Shelagh M. Cynn (first of Triples) 1, Katharine M. Guy 2, Barbara J. Leigh 3, J. Machell 4, G. Clarke 5, P. Erith 6, Dr. D. Hollis (cond.) 7, M. Ferrier 8.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On June 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. Malcolmson 1, A. Nelson 2, Elizabeth Todd 3, H. P. Yates 4, R. P. Brotherston (cond.) 5, C. Kild 6. For Evensong.

**MAIDENHEAD, BERKS.**—On June 28th, at All Saints', Boyne Hill, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss A. Gardner 1, Miss R. M. K. How 2, Mrs. M. Barton 3, E. Eldridge 4, G. Lister 5, D. Young 6, F. Gosling 7, M. Barton (cond.) 8. Rung for Solemn Evensong on the eve of SS. Peter and Paul, and to celebrate the christening this day of Heidi Caroline Gibson, infant daughter of Pearl and Stewart Gibson, both Sunday service ringers.

**MELKSHAM, WILTS.**—On June 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. White 1, F. Salford 2, E. C. Shepherd 3, W. C. West 4, E. Norris 5, N. Knepe 6, D. Orledge 7, T. Mallard 8. Rung uncondemned.

**MERROW, SURREY.**—On June 13th, 1,260 Doubles (720 Grandsire and 540 Plain Bob): M. A. Cattell 1, Hazel J. Giddins 2, Susan Woodthorpe (first in two methods 'inside') 3, A. Pamela Warren 4, S. M. Cobbe (cond.) 5, B. Davies 6. Also on June 28th, 1,260 Doubles (420 Grandsire and 840 Plain Bob): Patricia M. Fox (first quarter) 1, Hazel J. Giddins 2, M. A. Cattell (first in two methods 'inside') 3, A. Pamela Warren 4, S. M. Cobbe (cond.) 5, R. A. K. Glue 6. For Evensong.

**MILTON ERNEST, BEDS.**—On May 18th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss M. R. Field 1, Miss K. A. Rivett 2, R. Chapman 3, D. A. Hammond 4, M. J. Marriott 5, E. W. Rivett (cond.) 6.

**OLD HILL, STAFFS.**—On June 24th, 1,260 Siedman Triples: I. Lloyd 1, H. J. Shuck 2, H. Shilcock 3, Irene Ellmore 4, E. H. Woodhall 5, B. Elsmore 6, T. Greenhall (cond.) 7, E. Fletcher 8. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. E. Fletcher, on their silver wedding anniversary.

**PANGBOURNE, BERKS.**—On June 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. B. Robinson (first quarter) 1, D. Wesley 2, A. D. Smith 3, A. J. Burt 4, J. Butler (cond.) 5, Susan E. Burt 6. For the wedding of Mr. K. L. D. Chopping and Miss P. J. Grant.

**PUTNEY, LONDON.**—On June 21st, 1,260 Siedman Triples: Alison M. Mann 1, C. F. Mew 2, Brenda Wood 3, B. J. Bull 4, A. R. Millidge 5, B. H. Coatsworth 6, D. C. Brookes (cond.) 7, Julie S. Armstrong 8. For Evensong. Also on June 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Julie Armstrong 1, Alison Mann 2, Ruth Carr 3, Margaret Fort 4, A. Millidge 5, B. Bull 6, D. Brookes (cond.) 7, J. Harvey 8. For Evensong, and as a farewell to Margaret Fort, who is leaving to take a teaching appointment at Ashton-under-Lyne.

**SCUNTHORPE, Lincs.**—On June 23rd, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss F. Lacey (first quarter) 1, W. Bains 2, Mrs. J. E. Finn 3, R. Lord 4, H. Judd 5, E. Button 6, F. Lacey 7, F. Lord (cond.) 8.



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### BIRTH

**HILL**—On Thursday, June 25th, 1964, at Hillington Hospital, to Marjorie and John Hill, a son, Nicholas John. 4967

### ENGAGEMENT

**HARRIS—CARPENTER**.—The engagement is announced between Robert, only son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Harris, of Felpham, Sussex, and Caroline, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. T. Carpenter, of Wimbledon, Surrey. 4997

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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**WILKINSON**—The address of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Wilkinson is now 120, Marsden Road, Burnley, Lancs. Tel. Burnley 78101. All ringing friends welcome. 4976

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'But they that wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary and they shall walk and not faint.' (Isaiah xl. 34.)

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**BIRMINGHAM**.—Saltley Carillon. Parkfield Road. All are welcome to listen to an amateur recital by Clive M. Smith on 23 G. and J. bells (bass 17 cwt.) on Sunday, July 19th. Tower open approx. 6.40-7.30 p.m. 4858

**RINGERS REQUIRED FOR PEAL WEEK IN SURREY**.—August 8th-15th. For details apply C. F. Mew, 219, Felsham Road, London, S.W.15, or phone PUTney 0733 (evenings). 4973

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### MEETINGS

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Biggleswade District.—Evening meeting, Saturday, July 11th, at Henlow (6) commencing 6 p.m.—M. Major, Dis. Sec. 4979

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Frome Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Compton Dando, Sat., July 11th. Bells (6) 3. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mrs. Frith, Vicarage, Compton Dando, nr. Bristol. —E. Chivers, Chilcompton. 4933

**EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD**.—Meeting, July 11th at Fairwarp (8). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Bring own picnic tea 5 p.m. Evening ringing from 6-8.30 p.m. 4962

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Cambridge District.—Meeting at Bourn (8), Sat., July 11th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—B. D. Threlfall, Dis. Sec. 4948

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION**.—S.W. District.—Quarterly meeting at Bentley Common, July 11th. Bells (5) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Shenfield (6) available from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss B. Fisher, 49, Hatch Road, Brentwood. 4899

**GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS**.—Practice meeting at Westleigh, July 11th. Bells (6) 3-4.30 and 6-7.30 p.m. Names for tea to the Vicar, Westleigh Vicarage, Bideford. 4965

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Eastern District.—Meeting, Sat., July 11th, at Northaw (6). Ringing from 3. Tea and business meeting 4.15, at 'The Sun.' Special business: election of new District Secretary and discussion of the future of the district. All district members are asked to make a special effort to attend. 4938

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Western District.—Flamstead (6). July 11th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. E. Smith, 'Rose Cottage,' Flamstead. 4960

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Rochester District.—Quarterly meeting at Hoo on July 11th (please note change of date). Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify Mrs. A. Vidgeon, Whitehouse, 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 Tea 5 p.m.—L. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec. 4907

**LONDON COUNTY AND MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS**.—Joint meeting, July 11th. St. Nicolas, Chiswick, 3 to 3.30; St. Mary, Mortlake, 2.30 to 4; St. Mary, Barnes, 3.30 to 4.30. Tea and handbells, Church Hall, South Street, Isleworth at 5. All Saints', Isleworth, 6.30 to 8. 4951

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Banbury and District Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Deddington (D.V.), on Sat., July 11th. Bells (8) 2.30. Service 4. Tea, followed by business, 4.45. Names for tea by Tuesday, July 7th, to Mr. C. C. Clarke, High Street, Deddington, Oxford. 4950

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Wimborne Branch.—Quarterly meeting July 11th. Swanage. Bells 3 and 7. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. 4927

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS**.—Quarterly meeting, July 11th. Ringing: St. Stephen's, Rochester Row 3-4.30; St. Luke's, Chelsea, 7-8. Tea, South Kensington Restaurant, 5. Names for tea to F. J. Matthews, 6, Foxwood Road, Bean, nr. Dartford, Kent. 4940

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Western Division.—Practice meeting at Shipley and Ickingfield, Saturday, July 11th. Shipley (6) 3 o'clock. Tea at Ickingfield at 5 p.m. Evensong 6 p.m. Ringing at Ickingfield (5) after service.—R. Wake, Hon. Sec. 4974

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Chertsey District.—Combined practice at Chobham on Monday, July 13th. Bells (8) available from 7 p.m. All welcome. 4942

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Western Branch.—Evening practice meeting at Fakenham, Wed., July 15th. Bells (8) 6.30-9. Every ringer welcomed.—C. Tovell, Hon. Sec. 4953

**LADIES' GUILD**.—Western District.—Practice meeting Friday, July 17th, at Portbury. Bells (6) available 7 p.m.—M. de Jong. 4977

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION**.—Chew Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Wroxall (8), Sat., July 18th. Bells available 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5, followed by business. Names for tea, please, to D. G. Yeo, Estune, Brockway, Nailsea. 4835

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION**.—Glastonbury Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, July 18th. Pylle (6), 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting. Names for tea must be sent by Tuesday, 14th, to P. Hull, Dinder, Wells. 4971

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Crewe Branch.—Asbury, July 18th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by July 15th. No name no tea.—W. Kerr, 107, Moreton Road, Crewe. 4980

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Chester Branch.—Meeting, Farndon, Saturday, July 18th. Eve of Rushbearing Festival, decorated churchyard. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Numbers for tea before Thursday, July 16th, please, to R. C. H. Sibley, Hon. Sec., 35, Appleyards Lane, Chester. (Note.—If sufficient demand, Holt bells (6) will also be available after tea.) 4992

**CUMBERLAND AND N. WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION**.—A practice meeting of the Eastern Branch will be held at Orton on Saturday, July 18th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by July 15th to the Vicar, the Rev. H. Sawrey, Orton, Penrith. 4988

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Chesterfield District.—District meeting at Barlboro' (6), Saturday, July 18th, 3 p.m. Tea 5. Names for tea to Mr. A. Ashby, 76, Boughton Lane, Clowne, Chesterfield. No name—no tea.—M. Phipps, Sec. 4994

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Chesterfield District.—Chesterfield Parish Church: Ringing by invitation, Saturday, July 18th, 6-7.30 p.m. as a welcome to visitors from twin-town Darnstadt. All ringing friends welcome.—Sam Scattergood, Ringing Master. 4987

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION**.—Western District.—Meeting at Tanfield on Saturday, July 18th. Revival of cricket match—Presidents' XI v. Western District. Wickets pitched 2.30 p.m., followed by tea, service and ringing. Names for tea not later than Wednesday, July 15th, to the Vicar, Church House, Tanfield, Newcastle upon Tyne. 4941

**ELY ASSOCIATION**.—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting Leverington, Saturday, July 18th. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 4993

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Hunts District.—Meeting at Hemingford Grey, Saturday, July 18th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Hemingford Abbots (6) available after tea. Special methods: London and Single Oxford.—M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 4990

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION**.—N.E. District.—Meeting at Harwich on Saturday, July 18th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea. Names to Mr. W. Felgate, 25, Una Road, Parkeston, Harwich. 4968

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION**.—Cheltenham Branch.—Half-yearly meeting on July 18th at Chipping Campden, 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 4.45 p.m. at Nole Arms, and meeting. Names for tea by July 15th to Rev. J. Homfray, 5, The Close, Mead Road, Cheltenham. 4986

**GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Tewkesbury Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Eldersfield (6), Saturday, July 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Meeting 5.30 p.m. Names for tea by July 14th to Mr. R. Lodge, Hill Top Farm, Eldersfield, Gloucester. 4970

**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION**.—Annual meeting and prize contest. Longwood, July 18th. Entries to T. Tarbatt, 8, King Street, Skelmanthorpe. Cups of tea only. 4989

**HAWKHURST GUILD**.—Annual meeting, Hawkhurst, July 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Names for tea (with remittance 3s.) to W. Gorringer, 3, Sandrock Villas, Hawkhurst, Kent. 4982

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Ludlow and Church Street District.—Combined practice Westbury, Saturday, July 18th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Teas, G. Randle, Ashford, Ludlow. 4977



**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—St. Albans District.—Kington, July 18th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to J. G. Cull, 5, The Green, Kington, Hitchin, Herts, S.M.: Carlisle.—M.A.C. 4991

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Ashford District.—Meeting at Cheriton, Sat., July 18th (note change from previously agreed venue). Bells (8) 3. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. W. Chandler, 2, Alma Road, Cheriton, by previous Thursday. Newington bells available after tea.—C.T.H. 4934

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Canterbury District.—Quarterly meeting, All Saints', Birchington, Saturday, July 18th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea at 2s. 6d. per person. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. H. Luck, 57, Kent Gardens, Birchington (together with cash), not later than July 15th.—T.C.P. 4934

**LADIES' GUILD**—Devon Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Dartmouth, July 18th. Ringing: St. Petrox, 2—3.30; St. Clement's, 3.30—6.30; St. Saviour's, 7—8. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names for tea by Thursday, July 16th, to Miss V. Goss, 30, Raleigh Close, Dartmouth. 4920

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Manchester Branch.—Half annual meeting at St. Michael's, Ashton, on Sat., July 18th. Bells (13) at 2.30. Service 4. Free tea in Church House, 5, for those notifying Derek Marshall, 113, Mossley Road, Ashton-under-Lyne, phone ASH 1696, before previous Thursday. Business meeting after tea. Everyone welcome.—Neil Bennett, Sec. 4946

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**—Market Harborough District.—Meeting, Hallaton, Saturday, July 18th. Bells 3. Service 4.15. Tea 5.—L.W. Allen. 4998

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**—West Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Brigg, Saturday, July 18th. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea for those who notify me by previous Tuesday.—George L. A. Lunn, Crow Garth, Lea, Gainsborough, Tel 2623. 4964

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**—Eastern Branch.—Meeting at Hulton Halgate, Saturday, July 25th. Bells available from 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea for those who notify me by Monday, July 21st. Hon. Sec. P. J. Kilner, 167, Eastwood Road, Boston, Lincs. 4995

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Northern Branch.—Quarterly meeting, July 18th, at Honingham. Bells (6) from 2.30. Service 4.15. Ringing at Mattishall in the evening. Names for tea to Mr. B. W. Willgress, 24 Mill Lane, Honingham, Norwich, NOR 55X.—C. Bird, Hon. Sec. 4955

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Sonning Deanery Branch.—A combined practice will be held at Easthampstead on July 18th at 6 p.m. Special method: Norwich Surprise Minor.—B. C. Castle. 4963

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Kettering Branch.—Meeting at Stoke Albany (6), July 18th. 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Wilbarston (5) available after tea. Names for tea, please, to M. Coleman, 16, Greening Road, Rothwell. All welcome. 4959

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**—Marlborough Branch.—Meeting at Chisledon, Wilts, Saturday, July 18th. Names for tea to Mr. R. J. Court, Plough Hill, Chisledon, Swindon.—G. Brown Asst. Sec. 4983

**SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT GUILD**—Jubilee Ringing Day, Saturday, July 18th. Service, Prittlewell 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names, please, to Miss J. Emms, 76, Eastwood Road North, Leigh-on-Sea. Bells: Great Wakering 2-3.30. Prittlewell 3-4.30. Leigh 6-7. Thorpe Bay 6.30-8.15. Prittlewell 8.15 p.m. South Benfleet and Rayleigh by arrangements for parties. Requirements to Sec. G. Eve, 30, Baxter Avenue, Southend, early, please. 4978

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Southern Division.—Practice meeting at Keymer (6), Saturday, July 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Special method: London Minor. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierpoint. 4984

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Southern Branch.—Meeting, Quidenham, Saturday, July 25th. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, July 22nd, to Dr. P. Jonason, The White House, East Harling, Norwich, NOR 12X.—C. F. W. Phillippo, Hon. Sec. 4972

## QUARTER PEALS

**BATTLE, SUSSEX**—On May 31st, 1,260 Grandfire Doubles (1, 2 in front): Diana Hutton 1, D. J. Winchester 2, I. S. Holland 3, Judy Bowen 4, G. A. Masters 5, H. Ballard 6, I. V. J. Smith (cond.) 7, G. O. Prodder 8. For morning service; a 71st birthday compliment to George Prodder.

**CLAINES, WORCS**—On June 28th, 1,260 Grandfire Doubles: Penny L. Howell (first quarter) 1, H. Homans 2, Gillian A. Richards (first quarter 'inside') 3, P. White 4, J. E. Whittall (cond.) 5, R. Woodyatt 6.

**DRAYTON, BERKS**—On June 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Valerie Botley 1, C. Clark 2, Mrs. J. Seymour 3, Mrs. Willins 4, J. Seymour (cond.) 5, S. Dinwiddy (first quarter) 6.

**EWHRIST, SUSSEX**—On June 11th, 1,250 Plain Bob Doubles: D. J. Winchester (first on five and in the method) 1, Judy Bowen 2, C. M. Barnes (first in the method) 3, Valerie Mephram 4, I. V. J. Smith (cond.) 5.

**FENNY DRAYTON, LEICS**—On June 28th, 1,260 Grandfire Doubles: R. A. Gilliver 1, M. A. Caldecote (first 'inside') 2, R. Clayfield 3, I. S. Merry 4, K. P. Gilliver (cond.) 5. Rung for Confirmation service.

**FULTON, GLOS**—On June 28th, 1,279 Doubles (seven methods): Miss R. Sheldon 1, D. Haslum 2, Miss M. Haslum 3, D. Voss 4, A. Howard (cond.) 5, F. M. Sheldon 6. For Evensong.

**FORDINGBRIDGE, HANTS**—On June 18th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandfire): R. Storer (first away from tenor) 1, P. King 2, D. Wilson 3, W. Perrins (first as cond.) 4, R. N. Marlow 5, J. O. Coleman 6. Rung in memoriam Frederick W. Rogers.

**STREET, SOMERSET**—On June 24th, 1,260 Grandfire Doubles: B. Chivers 1, C. Wensley 2, R. Lambert 3, G. Greuter 4, F. S. Paramore (cond.) 5, M. Thomas 6. First quarter 3 and 6. A birthday compliment to B. Chivers; also belated compliments for the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. C. Wensley.

**SUTTON-ON-HULL, E. YORKS**—On June 28th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Patricia A. Wilson 1, Janet I. Porter 2, H. Rodmell 3, T. W. Thirkell 4, C. R. Robinson 5, R. H. Rogers (cond.) 6. For Evensong, and as a compliment to Robin H. Rogers and Janet I. Porter, on their engagement.

**TAUNTON, SOMERSET**—At St. James' Church, on June 23rd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. H. Tarr 1, A. H. Reed (cond.) 2, J. F. Brewer 3, E. H. Langley 4, G. Salmon 5, G. Sparks 6, H. V. Young 7, G. Burge 8. A farewell compliment to E. H. Langley, who is leaving the district to live in Cornwall.

**USK, MON**—On June 21st, 1,260 Grandfire Triples: G. Knight 1, L. Jones (cond.) 2, B. Kear 3, D. Taylor 4, R. Clench 5, F. Habbs 6, S. Kear 7, D. Hughes 8. A wedding compliment to Miss Jennifer Mea.

**WEST HALLAM, DERBYS**—On June 21st, 1,260 Grandfire Doubles: Sheila Mellor (first quarter) 1, H. Pounder (first quarter) 2, R. J. Tanner (first 'inside') 3, A. W. Morley 4, G. Futers (first as cond.) 5, A. Burton 6. For Evensong.

**WHICKHAM, CO. DURHAM**—On June 7th, 1,260 Minor (Single Oxford and Plain Bob): S. Thompson, junr. 1, W. Davidson 2, S. Thompson 3, J. Crowther 4, M. Maughan (cond.) 5, F. Ross 6. For Evensong. Also on June 14th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: J. Crowther 1, W. Davidson 2, S. Thompson 3, F. Ross 4, M. Maughan (cond.) 5. For Evensong.

**WHITERSHAM, KENT**—On June 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. C. Hillis (first quarter) 1, Miss M. E. John 2, P. Richardson (cond.) 3, C. T. Hibbs 4, Lyn J. Garroway 5, P. Denne 6. Rung for the 80th birthday of William C. Pankhurst, for many years organist and choirmaster.

**WITHCOMBE RALEIGH, DEVON**—On June 28th, 1,260 Grandfire Doubles: Mrs. Mary Mack 1, N. Shepherd 2, F. Williams 3, Jane Hurrell 4, F. Mack (cond.) 5, A. Knight 6. For the first Evensong of St. Peter.

**WITLEY, SURREY**—On June 28th, 1,260 Grandfire Doubles: Maureen Lockyear (first away from cover) 1, M. J. Bura 2, M. D. Fuller 3, J. H. Payton (cond.) 4, B. G. D. Vince 5, W. J. Wakefield (first quarter) 6. To commemorate the golden wedding of the Vicar of Witley, the Rev. P. G. Holden, and Mrs. Holden, on June 23rd.

**WOODCHURCH, Birkenhead, CHESHIRE**—On June 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss J. Price 1, R. Cleaver 2, J. S. Anderson 3, A. Wilkinson 4, W. Hall (cond.) 5, J. Edwards 6. First quarter 1, 2 and 4. First by a local band since 1939. For Evensong.

## DEDICATION

### HEATHER, LEICESTERSHIRE

With the dedication service on June 24th, Leicestershire had another light ring of five, with a tenor of 7½ cwt., at Heather. The existing three bells had been recast and two new ones added. The church clock has been renovated and a plaque recording the work mentions generous gifts made by Mrs. E. Watts, of Heather, before her death, Mr. W. Boobyer, of Vancouver, B.C. and the Barrow Bell Fund. Local parishioners have tried hard to complete the scheme, but between £250 and £300 is owing.

The dedication was associated with the Parochial Festival and proceedings started with Evensong at which the Rector, the Rev. J. L. Hamlet, the lay-reader, Mr. W. Atkins, took part. The lesson was read by a former curate, the Rev. R. E. Willis.

The dedication was performed by the Ven. H. Lockley, Archdeacon of Loughborough, who also preached. In his sermon he allied the bells and clock to the life and service of St. John the Baptist as the herald of things to come.

After the service the opening touch of 240 Grandfire Doubles was rung by: A. E. Rowley 1, G. Ridgeway 2, W. Goadby 3, H. O. Over 4, R. Clifton 5; and then other ringers present, including recently recruited local learners were accommodated according to ability. All expressed, over coffee and biscuits in the Rectory afterwards, approval of the 'Go' and tone of this augmentation.

H. O. O.

## HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The third Saturday in May found the St. Albans District at Essendon, where the small Hertfordshire spire is supported by guy ropes! Mr. Fred Bamford, the local ringer, came to welcome us and brought with him a band of young girls whom he has taught without outside help. They are all up to ringing Grandfire and most of them stood in a touch for the first time. It seems the district may have a ready made band to add to its numbers.

As there was no organised tea, it was unanimously agreed to hold only a brief business meeting in the tower. Mr. Keith Walpole handed out to those were interested a most lucid set of notes on conducting plain bob and Kent, which he had written himself. These were so clear that they genuinely could be understood by a beginner.

The notes were tried out the following week by about a dozen aspiring conductors at a conductors' practice at St. Stephen's, St. Albans.

J. D. C.

## OUTING

### HIGHAM-ON-THE-HILL, LEICS.

Higham ringers held their annual outing on June 6th, when, together with friends from Burbage, Thurcaston, Earl Shilton and Sapcote, they visited the Worcester and Tewkesbury area.

The first ringing took place at Wootton-Wawen (6), followed by another six at Upton-Snodsby, where the long draught took some getting used to. After lunch at Worcester, we rang on the anti-clockwise six at St. Swithun's. Then came the most enjoyable ring of the day, the glorious 7 cwt. six at Stoughton, where we rang a very good course of Ipswich. We did not really do justice to the 12 at Tewkesbury but several members had a chance to ring on f2 for the first time. Tea was taken at Great Malvern, and then on to the last ring of the day, at Cleeve Prior (6). Higham was reached at 10.45 p.m.

Methods rung were Plain Bob, Little Bob, Cambridge and Ipswich Minor, Stedman and Grandfire Doubles, Grandfire Triples and Caters, and call changes and rounds for learners.

Many thanks to incumbents and tower correspondents for a very enjoyable day.

K. P. G.



## COMPOSITIONS

## 5,088 CORNWALL SURPRISE MAJOR

By P. G. K. DAVIES

23456 O H I F

52436	—	2		
24536	—	3		
34256	—	2		
23645	—	X		
23564	—	X		
43265	3		—	
36245	3		—	
54326	2		—	
25346		2		
32654	X			
45236	3		—	
23456	—			

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Composed by HARRY POYNER

23456 B M W H

35264	X			
63254		—	—	A
52436	—	—		
34625	—	—	3	
42635		2	3	
35426	2	—		
42356	A		—	
53624	—	—		
25634	A			
32654	A			
25346	X			
23456	—	2		

First rung on March 21st, 1964, at Prestwold, Lincs.

WOODSTON, HUNTS.—On June 28th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Mary Brighton 1, L. Brighton 2, C. Hoare 3, Pauline Larham 4, J. Roffe (cond.) 5, Carol French (first quarter) 6. For morning service, and to mark the 50th anniversary of the bells.

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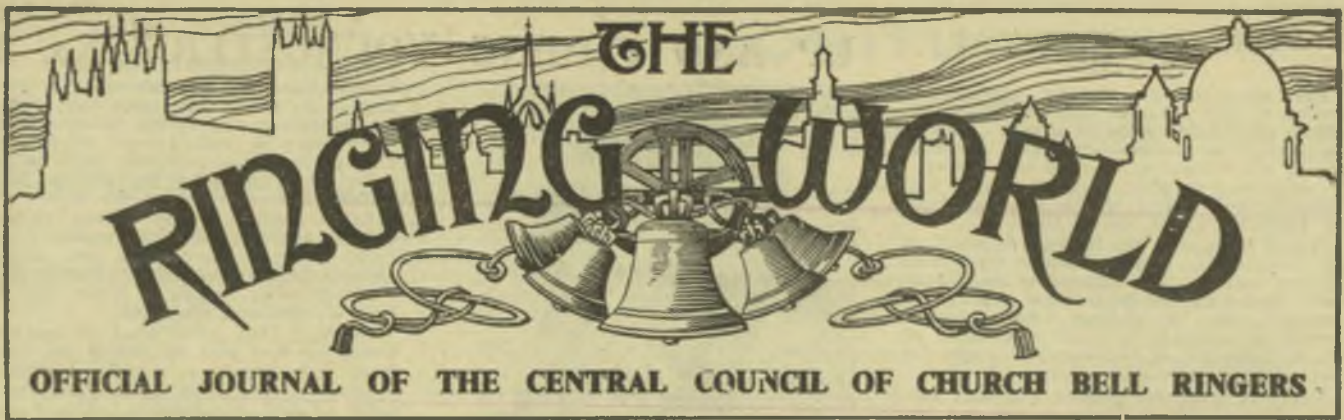
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## RADLETT'S EXAMPLE COULD WELL BE FOLLOWED

By R. W. M. Clouston

THERE must be countless Victorian church towers up and down the country which have been condemned for years as being quite unsuitable for a ring of bells that could follow the example of Radlett, Herts, and so replace the often highly unsatisfactory contents of poor-toned single bells, gramophones and tubular bells.

When Christ Church, Radlett, was first built in 1864 a 5 cwt. bell by Warner's was presented. This bell seems to have been used till about 1907, when an octave of tubular bells by Harrington, Latham and Co., of Coventry, was installed and the Warner bell removed. About 1938 a gramophone and loudspeaker system was put in to supplement the tubular bells. By 1960 the equipment to make noises resembling proper bells was in a very poor state and had not been used for some time. A question at the annual vestry meeting asked for the situation to be examined and the present ring was the ultimate result.

The tower with spire is some 90ft. in total height, and yet the bell chamber is only some 6ft. 6in. square across the walls. These are of brick with wide mortar joints, and are considerably weakened by a profusion of doorways, windows, other openings and alcoves, such that at least the lower part of the tower is much weaker than a casual inspection would suggest. The stone spire above does add some stability to the remainder, but with the lower walls a maximum of 2ft. 6in. thick, only a very light ring of bells could be contemplated.

A pre-war architect is reported to have stated that the tower was unfit for a ring of bells, and clearly this was so when one thinks in terms of a minimum tenor weight of 5-6 cwt. However, post-war progress in casting and hanging much lighter bells than hitherto has changed the situation appreciably.

Schemes were considered for a chime of eight bells and for a light ring of six (tenor  $3\frac{1}{4}$  cwt.), and the latter was selected as one of the objectives for the celebration of the centenary of the church and parish. Even with a six of this size two bells had to be in an upper tier.

With such a weak tower either the bells could be separately supported inside on a subsidiary structure, as at Acle and Dover, or by the tower walls themselves after some strengthening and the filling in of one large unnecessary opening 5ft. by 10ft. high. So to see if the latter, and cheaper, solution would be satisfactory a 3 cwt. bell was hung in a temporary frame and swung N-S and E-W.

The tower rock horizontally measured level with the upper tier of the proposed frame was found to be a mere 1/100in. with frequencies of 160 and 200 cycles per minute respectively. So it was deemed that strengthening the lower part of the tower and mounting the frame on a reinforced concrete girdle set in all four walls would be satisfactory.

The belfry windows have been bricked up to the tracery on the inside, and the majority of the sound from the bells now emerges via four openings in the base of the spire and a series of smaller holes above, thus enabling the bells to be heard at a greater distance and yet be well-balanced and not too loud in the churchyard.

With a tenor of  $3\frac{1}{4}$  cwt. the treble to six weighs only some  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cwt.,  $16\frac{1}{2}$ in. diameter; yet all the bells are easy to handle once one remembers that bells of these weights in ball-bearings require only the minimum of effort to ring. Of course, stays will get broken, especially when training a new band from scratch, and the design is such that  $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. square section ash is used on all the bells. The lengths vary somewhat but none is curved or tapered. Making a new stay only requires cutting the correct length and drilling a  $\frac{3}{8}$ in. diameter hole near one end.

Due to space considerations the frame is a metal one and the sliders are in the form of a metal L with the top end pivoted to the side frame under the main bearing. The lower end moves between two stops on the runner board and the stay engages with the horizontal part of the L which is encased in timber.

Training a local band is now under way on Wednesday evenings and, thanks to numerous helpers from surrounding towers, quite considerable progress has already been made. It is hoped to have a band ready to ring for Sunday services by the autumn on this the lightest ring in Hertfordshire.

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## DERBY ASSOCIATION AT BUXTON

The Association's quarterly meeting, at Buxton on July 4th, was attended by over 60 ringers representing some 20 towers. Prior to the service in St. Peter's Church, Fairfield, ringing was enjoyed at Fairfield and Burbage; in addition Swanwick, Ashover, Eyam and Tideswell were visited by coach parties from the Chesterfield and Derby Districts.

During the service the Rector, on behalf of the clergy of the diocese, thanked the ringers for their services. Tea followed in the Church Hall. At the start of the business meeting, the chairman, Mr. F. Adams (vice-president), invited the company to stand in memory of Mr. B. Groatorex, of Wirksworth, a ringer for over 60 years, who died recently.

A report from the general treasurer, Mr. J. C. Woolley (on holiday) showed that the finances were reasonable for the time of the year. He urged members to help both him and the District secretaries by paying their subscriptions as soon as possible as only just over a third had been received so far.

The report of the Bell Repair Fund consultant, Mr. G. Halls, included details of recent advice to St. Alkmund's, Derby, Brailsford, Hathersage, Bakewell and Trusley. The meeting was pleased to hear that he had been officially appointed as consultant to the Diocesan Advisory Committee on Church Bells.

A detailed report of the proceedings at Truro was then given by Mr. M. Phipps, one of the Central Council representatives, and a collection for the Bell Repair Fund realised £2 10s. Three honorary life members were elected: Mr. Isaac Smith (Fairfield), Mr. F. Stone (Duffield) and Miss Elizabeth Foulk (Duffield).

The meeting was concluded by a comprehensive vote of thanks, which included the ladies who provided such an excellent 'knife and fork' tea. Further ringing was enjoyed at Fairfield, Burbage and Darley Dale.

Next quarterly meeting: Dronfield, October 3rd. M. P. P.

## UP AND COMING YOUNGSTERS—No. 17



**CHARLES BARRIE DOVE,**  
The Yorkshire Association.

Once again the Yorkshire Association is represented in this series by one of its young members. Charles Barrie Dove was born on March 18th, 1944, at Headingley. He was educated at Chapeltown Primary School and Harehills County Secondary School, Leeds, where he obtained his G.C.E. (O levels). At present he is employed in Local Government (Education Department).

Barrie, as he is known, commenced ringing when he was eleven, at the Church of St. Matthew, Chapel Allerton, Leeds. He was the youngest ringer taking part at the dedication

by the Bishop of Knaresborough of the new ring of six on St. Matthew's Day, 1955. He was taught to ring by his father, Ronald H. Dove, who is well known throughout the Exercise for his encyclopædic book on ringing towers, 'A Guide to the Church Bells of Britain'.

Barrie started Sunday service ringing at Chapel Allerton, but later moved to Leeds Parish Church, where he is now conductor. He also frequently attends St. Mary's, Hunslet, before morning ringing at Leeds, and at St. Francis', Holbeck, afterwards.

On May 16th, 1959, when he was 15, he scored his first peal by ringing the treble to Plain Bob Minor at Chapel Allerton, the conductor being Irvin Slack. A year later came his first as conductor. This was Plain Bob Doubles at Tong, Bradford.

These two first peals were the beginning of a rapidly growing collection as Barrie's total to date is 60. Of this total he has conducted 43, including Plain Bob on all numbers, both odd and even, from Doubles to Royal, and it is interesting to note that the first peal of Plain Bob Royal which he conducted included eight ringers scoring their first peal of Royal.

Ringings Leeds tenor (42½ cwt.) to a peal of Bob Royal, which he composed and conducted, is Barrie's greatest achievement to date, and he claimed to be the youngest ringer to have done so. It is not surprising to learn that one of Barrie's ambitions is to turn this heavy tenor in to a peal of Surprise Major.

An enthusiastic tower grabber, Barrie believes he is also the youngest ringer to reach a total of towers now nearing 1,400. He is frequently handicapped by his exceptional height (6ft. 5in.) when on tower grabbing expeditions. He overcomes the difficulty of low rones by either sitting or kneeling to ring. Good hunting, Barrie, and your Dove's will guide you to all the towers you have not yet visited.

NORVING.

## SUFFOLK GUILD CHANGE CHIEF OFFICERS

THE annual general meeting of the Suffolk Guild was held at Bury St. Edmunds on June 13th, attended by over 70 members and visitors, including Mr. David Vincent, from Cheshire. The ten bells of the Norman tower of the Cathedral were available during the afternoon and evening and the sixes of Rouham and Great Barton in the evening. Divine service took place in the Cathedral where we joined the lay readers' festival.

The tea and business meeting took place at the Masonic Hall. The Provost (Rev. J. Waddington) joined the company and extended a welcome to the Guild. He was suitably thanked by Mr. L. E. Last (the chairman). The reports of the officers revealed that 55 peals had been rung during 1963 including an 'Alan' peal at Lavenham. The number of districts had been reduced from six to five by having only one central district in addition to the north east, south east, south west and north west districts which, it was hoped, would improve the organisation of the Guild and improve attendance at meetings.

The accounts were most encouraging and an excess of income over expenditure of about £6 was a happy contrast to the large deficit of 1962. Steps had been taken to improve this situation and legislation was passed during the year to increase the annual subscription from 2s. 6d. to 5s. as from January 1st last. It is to be hoped that this will enable the Guild to keep pace with ever rising costs. The first-ever striking competition was held during 1963 for which Mr. Hubert Milson had very kindly presented a shield. This is to be an annual event: this year's contest will be at Buxhall, on September 26th.

At the end of January, 1964, a weekend course was held at Belstead House, Ipswich,

sponsored by the East Suffolk Education Committee, which had proved most successful and it was hoped to repeat this in the future. The technical adviser had been busy again with his inspection of bells. Restoration work was carried out at Hartest during the year. Further restoration work was envisaged at St. Mary's, Bury St. Edmunds, and Stowmarket.

Mr. G. W. Pipe was elected Ringing Master in succession to Mr. L. G. Brett, who had held the office for seven years, and Mr. A. T. Beckwith was elected general secretary and treasurer in succession to Mr. J. W. Blythe, who had carried out those duties for nine years. The chairman expressed the thanks of the members to both of the retiring officers for their efforts over a long period. Messrs. Brett and Blythe both thanked the members for the support they had received and expressed the hope that the new officers would be fully supported. The vice-presidents, the technical adviser and the hon. auditor were all re-elected.

A proposal to increase the size of the committee by making the district chairmen ex-officio members and having two elected members from each district was approved, subject to ratification at the general meeting, to be held at Ipswich in September.

It was agreed to make an effort to arrange as much ringing as possible to mark the return to the Cathedral of the Cross and Arrows, which is at present touring the Diocese.

The chairman thanked the members for their attendance, Mr. L. Wright for making the arrangements for the meeting and the incumbents for the use of their bells. Mr. Blythe thanked Mr. Last for acting as chairman. J. W. B.

## TO CHURCH BE BOATTE

Lass weenter a visherman vrend said ee wood tack us t'other zide the reever to reng on they pertee littul bulles awver ther een the tower amongst the trays but t'wood ave to be wain ee zed cos the tides got u be jis right an ee wood let us naw.

T'was Vridge, twainy sixth June, that us Deb'n bulle rengers set out fram th' arbur wee the cap'n an two or dree vrends to crass the rever Exe at its whysed pint.

Us barded the boatte an cast off wi the rever jis like a meel ponn an the sin pourind down from abuv—twas reel buteyful. Th' engin purred like a kitten an twas hap pas seh'n wain us pulled agin a slipway t'other zide.

Ther us waz awver the watter, now under the railrawd an ap the rawd wher the rengers renged wain or two titches then six aw's renged 1,260 Gransir an Plain Bab Dubbows: F. Williams 1, Miss C. Edbrooke 2, Miss V. Mellish 3, C. J. Turner 4, C. C. Deem (cond.) 5, P. Jupp 6. Virst een two methods vor all an virst quarter on the bulles since re'angin.

Arter this omeward, wi gratfull thanks to th' incumbent at Powder'am, Starcross Zailing Glub an last, but nat least, the cap'n o' tha boatte.

## 'RINGING THEM UP'

Current issue of 'Overtones' (American handbell ringers' magazine) states: It is reported that in a Lincolnshire village a 'ringing them up' peal once sounded from the church belfry at seven on the morning after a wedding. This was intended to wake up the bride and bridegroom following their first night together.

Query to bell ringers in Lincolnshire: Is this extraordinary campanological custom still practised? And if it is, is it appreciated by the bride and bridegroom.



## DEDICATIONS

### RADLETT, HERTFORDSHIRE

A new six (tenor 3 cwt, 0 qr, 16 lb. in G), cast by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, was dedicated at Evensong on June 28th by the Vicar, the Rural Dean of St. Albans (the Rev. Christopher Newton). This achieved one of the parish's aims in this its centenary year.

During the service the 'Bell' anthem, by Purcell, was sung, and after the sermon a procession, including the Vicar and assistant clergy, the churchwardens, Mr. Ernest Rowe (representing the bell founders), Mr. Paul Mauger (the architect), Mr. Cecil Evans (captain of the Aldenham ringers) and Mr. R. Clouston (Radlett), moved to the tower for the dedication. After it the tenor was swung chimed.

The opening touch was conducted by Mr. Walter Ayre, the adviser on bell matters to the St. Albans Diocesan Advisory Committee. Some 50 ringers had the opportunity to try out the bells during the evening, and the comments heard by the writer were highly complimentary to the bell founders, who have produced an easy to handle light six, with excellent musical qualities.

One unfortunate absentee due to illness was the Rev. John Blick, curate at Radlett, who has done quite a bit of change ringing over the years, and who has been invaluable in the preliminary steps in getting a local band of ringers established.

### HOLYWOOD, COUNTY DOWN

The rededication of the eight bells of the Church of SS. Philip and James, Holywood, Co. Down, took place on June 27th in the presence of the Dean of Belfast (the Very Rev. C. I. Peacock), who preached the sermon. The act of dedication was performed by the Rector, Canon F. S. Barber.

Representing the Irish Association at the service were Mr. A. F. Bogan, St. Fin Barre's, Cork, president; Mr. John T. Dunwoody, Ringing Master; Mr. F. E. Dukes, Drogheda, general secretary and treasurer; Mr. G. H. Ellis, Limerick (St. Mary's Cathedral); Ringing Master, Southern District; Mr. A. S. Doak, Eastern District secretary; St. George's, Dublin; and Mrs. J. Jeffrey, St. Donard's, Belfast, assistant secretary, Northern District. Mr. Paul L. Taylor represented the bell founders, and Mr. Lewington, from Berkshire, was also present.

The ringing for the rededication was undertaken by the following: H. Brown (Holywood) 1, G. D. Brown (Holywood) 2, W. S. Patterson (St. Thomas', Belfast) 3, Mrs. J. Jeffrey 4, P. L. Taylor 5, John T. Dunwoody 6, Fred E. Dukes 7, A. Fred Bogan 8.

All present were entertained to tea by the catering guild of the parish. Canon Barber welcomed the visitors, and Mr. Bogan suitably replied.

### COLLEGE OF CAMPANOLOGY

Latest successes are from Cornwall, where three young members in one of the College Affiliated School of Ringing—St. Uny's, Lelant—have reached the stage of ringing the simpler methods and of conducting Stedman Doubles. They have qualified by the prescribed tests as 'Tutor 1' in ringing. They are: Miss Vicci Elinabeth Presswood, Miss Alberta Ruth Aston and Mr. Francis Malcolm Bowers. The last named has conducted a quarter peal of Stedman Doubles.

Another member of the school is one of the churchwardens, and all the pupils are making good progress under the tutorship of Mr. Harry Miles (College president) and Miss Marion Lidger, in charge of the school.

### MR. THOMAS GEORGE DARCH

Although we had heard hints of heart trouble, ringers in Devon were deeply shocked when we heard that Tommy Darch had died on July 4th, at the age of 61.

Thomas Darch was born in Yarnscombe, the son of a famous ringer and ringing judge, Albert Darch. He became a farmer, and later moved to St. Giles-in-the-Wood, where he made a name for himself in farming circles: he was an expert in sheep-shearing and for years ran that section of the Torrington Show. Not long ago he handed over the farm to his son and moved into Torrington, but he was helping on the farm the day before he died.

With his neat, stocky figure, weather-browned complexion and steady bright blue eyes, Tommy was a typical North Devon farmer, but it was his voice which was most memorable. Deep for a man of his build, rich and resonant in tone, his speech was the purest Devon dialect, but most beautifully enunciated: he was a gift to the BBC West Region, who often featured him in ringing items.

As a ringer he was a dedicated call-change ringer, and his driving force was a constant search for perfection. His ear for striking was extremely fine, and his love for bell music was such that when ringing came up to his very high standard you could see enjoyment in every line of him. But two qualities in particular made him exceptional as a judge. One was the fact that as a seeker after perfection he would always give credit to anyone who was seeking it too, even if their search had a long way to go; he was just as quick to praise a good try as he was to criticise sloppy striking; the thing that really distressed him was to hear a bell striking wide or close for round after round without correction. The other quality was an astounding memory for ringing: he could look through his notebook and convert one of the impeccably neat sets of dots into a detailed account of a peal which he had heard months or even years before, with literally hundreds of competition peals intervening, and if asked he would give out at the end of a competition not merely the marks of the teams but a careful analysis of each one's ringing. It was this ability not merely to mark ringing but to say exactly how the marks were incurred that made him the hardest-worked judge in Devon.

He was at the time of his death chairman of the Devon Association of Church Bell Ringers, an office which he had held for 12 years. When the suggestion first arose to seek affiliation with the Central Council, it was his wise and balanced words, coming from the conservative wing of the Association, which probably brought about the approval of the plan, and he was one of those elected to the Council. Hindered by hay-harvest from coming to Stoke, Cardiff or Yarmouth, he made his first appearance at Truro, and the Council gave him a great welcome. He was never by any means a fanatical opponent of

method ringing, but his desire for perfect striking meant that he very seldom heard any method ringing which pleased him, and like most call change ringers he didn't like even-bell methods at all.

I once heard him in a BBC interview refer to ringing as 'a lovely brotherhood'—I only wish I could convey how he spoke that last word—and he did much in a quiet way to promote this. Quiet and modest, he never asserted himself, but he was a wonderful friend and a delightful companion.

At Torrington, where he was tower captain for many years, he built up a fine tradition of good and regular ringing, and there they will miss him sorely. In the Devon Association and the whole world of call change ringing his successor will be hard to find, for wisdom and experience. To his friends, I'm afraid, he will be quite irreplaceable.

J. G. M. S.

### THE REV. W. B. CHAPMAN

By the death at Almondsbury, Yorkshire, on June 29th of the Rev. W. B. Chapman, has passed on one who, during his stay in South Worcestershire, was always a good helpful friend to ringers. He was Vicar for many years of the large combined parishes of Badsey and Wickhamford, but acting on medical advice he moved to the smaller living at Hinton-on-the-Green, where he was Rector until failing health retired him to his native Yorkshire.

He was always deeply appreciative for his bells to be regularly rung, and the writer recalls, with pleasure, his request a few months after his induction to Hinton, for honorary membership of the Association, proffering current and advance subscriptions, 'not for myself, but in thankfulness and gratitude for my ringers.'

On the evening of the funeral—July 1st—the Badsey and Hinton bands combined to ring half-muffled quarter peals at both churches as their last tribute. At Badsey 1.260 Grand-sire Triples: Mrs. A. J. Brazier 1, A. J. Brazier 2, J. D. Johnson (cond.) 3, Mrs. J. Thomas 4, R. Harris 5, C. B. Longmore 6, W. J. Newman 7, J. E. Newman 8. At Hinton, in 44 minutes, 1.260 Stedman Triples: A. J. Brazier 1, J. D. Johnson (cond.) 2, Mrs. J. Thomas 3, C. B. Longmore 4, R. Harris 5, W. J. Newman 6, J. E. Newman 7, H. Plumb 8.

J. D. J.

### DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, Horsley Cup Striking Contest

The first Derby Diocesan Association competition took place on May 30th and the results were: 1, Dronfield (Kent) 250 marks; 2, Old Whittington (Oxford) 240; 3, Sandiacre (Cambridge), and Derby Cathedral (Oxford) each 231; 5, Duffield (Doubles) 229; 6, Bolsover (Bob Minor) 227; 7, Ripley (Doubles) 217; 8, Etwell (Doubles) 214; 9, St. Peter's, Derby (Oxford), failed to complete.

The cup was presented by Mr. Else, the donor, to Mr. Ian Molland, captain of the Dronfield team.

### CORRECTIONS

The peal at St. Thomas', Stourbridge (page 476), was rung on Saturday, June 27th, in 2 hours 56 minutes by the local band.

The peal rung at Knebworth on May 23rd (page 437) was Cambridge Surprise, and not Yorkshire.

### SUBSCRIPTION FORMS

were distributed to all Postal Subscribers recently in the hope that they would use them to introduce new readers now that another quarter has started. If you cannot find a new subscriber buy one for the tower. Reduced rates for second and subsequent numbers (see page 468). We are still waiting for a number of renewals.

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## Letters to the Editor

### Ashbrittle Bells ring out again

Dear Sir.—Owing to the recent dispute between Rector and parishioners at Ashbrittle, ringing has been suspended for the past twelve months. The ringers have been active by helping out in other parishes.

Following the Rector's departure from the parish, ringing recommenced on Sunday, June 20th, with a quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles by the local band.

Sunday ringing will now take place and practices will be held regularly on Fridays at 7.30 p.m. when all visitors will be made welcome.—Yours sincerely,

S. N. BRISTOW.

Ashbrittle, Som.

### Bow Bells, old and new

Dear Sir.—I too saw the programme on I.T.V. on June 14th. about Bow Bells. Like Mr. J. Hedgecock and St. Thomas' ringers. I expected to hear something different from what was presented.

I consider that what I heard was a recording of the back ten of the old Bob 12, tenor 53 or so. After a couple of whole pulls I lost interest, but it could possibly have been the B.B.C. time signal although broadcast on I.T.V. My sense of pitch told me that it wasn't a C peal that I heard and I believe the new Bow 12 are in C natural and the old peal were in B.

As no one is infallible, however, I could possibly be wrong.—Yours truly,

G. J. HEMMING.

Gt. Hampton, Evesham.

### Ringers' Service at Gnosall

Dear Sir.—I should like to pay tribute to those responsible for the excellent ringers' service at Gnosall. Staffs, on July 5th, and to mention the great pleasure everyone must have had at seeing and hearing the junior handbell ringers. After the service there was another fine example of handbell ringing by these youngsters who, I estimate, were not more than an average age of 12 years.

The Rev. Tony Villiers was very apt in his address when he said: 'The exercise of bell-ringing requires patience and discipline. One cannot compare an adult ringer when one sees these boys and girls: they are the very essence of enthusiasm, obedience and discipline.'

To Mrs. B. G. Key I would say thank you for your untiring efforts in teaching and training these youngsters and may you be well rewarded for your labours.—Yours faithfully,

C. F. W. E.

### Secretary's apology

Dear Sir.—I wish to apologise to anyone who may have turned up at the Harby/South Scarle meeting of the Newark District of the Southwell Guild, on June 27th. It unfortunately had to be cancelled at the eleventh hour due to lack of support.—Yours faithfully,

B. N. REED (Mrs.).

Hon. Dis. Sec.

Balderton, nr. Newark.

### Whitwell-on-the-Hill

Dear Sir.—Reading Mr. Harold Walker's article on the bells and tower at Whitwell-on-the-Hill, I notice that he wonders why the circular wooden staircase and platform at the top were ever put there. Nearly sixty years ago my business took me into the village weekly, and into the homes of some of the ringers of that time.

This stairway and platform were then known as the 'Parson's Lookout', from which extensive views of the countryside, north, east, south and west, were to be obtained by looking through the windows, which are about half-way up the spire, and which are glazed with clear glass. I have known some of the locals go up to this vantage point to watch fox-hunting when the hounds met in the district.

I agree with Mr. Walker that the structure prevents the bells from being hung on one level. In spite of the difficulties in the ringing chamber these bells were rung regularly for the services in the early part of the present century, during the incumbency of the late Rev. H. A. K. Hawkins. Amongst the ringers at that time were Whites, Woods, Stabler, Foden, Duffits, one of the last named being the leader.

The combined height of the tower and spire is 110 feet. The inscriptions on the bells read: Treble, Father Glory be to Thee; 2nd, Glory to the Blessed Son; 3rd, Glory to the Spirit be; 4th, Glory to the Three in One; 5th, As it was, is now, shall be: Tenor, Filling all eternity. On each bell, 'Cast by John Warner and Sons, London, 1859.' Also the Royal Arms.—Yours faithfully

Stillington, Yorks. J. B. HUTCHINSON.

### Muezzin's call canned

Dear Sir.—The other day a mildly amusing piece of gossip came my way from someone who had just returned from a holiday in Tunisia. It would appear that the Christian Church, with its several rings of 'canned bells' is not the only religion to have succumbed to the modern trend of mechanisation.

At the new mosque in Monastir, as in all similar Moslem places of worship, the voice of the old muezzin can be heard monotonously chanting out his weird incantations from the top of the tall minaret. Between the phrases, however, the hiss of a needle on a record can be clearly discerned.—Yours truly,

London, W.C.

PETER DALE.

### St. Martin le Grand

Dear Sir.—Mr. Weatherby (Belfry Gossip, July 10th) seems to have his family records out of order. St. Martin's le Grand is a City street which must be familiar to many thousands of office workers, for nearby stands the General Post Office. It commemorates a college of secular canons with a definite history starting in 1068. Queen Matilda brought certain rights over it to the Crown and in time it became a source of royal sinecures. By the sixteenth century, the standard of conduct in the college appears to have been unusually bad, and it was suppressed in 1542.—Yours sincerely,

Tooting Graveney, S.W. A. CLAYTON.

### Bringing Canada up to date

Dear Sir.—I would like to take issue with the 'Canadian' report published on page 394 in 'The Ringing World' of June 12th, since several inaccuracies seem to be evident.

Vancouver.—The reference to the rehanging of the chiming ring of eight bells in St. James appears totally unfounded, unless one of the two foundries has been recently approached by one of the two members of the clergy of that church, who are at present in England. No one at the Church of St. James, we are informed, has ever heard of this proposition. Since at least \$50,000 would be required to build a tower for the bells, quite apart from the expenses in connection with their rehanging, and the fact that there is no land available, make this possibility highly improbable. At present the bells are hung dead in a lantern at the apex of the roof over the nave—quite impossible for ringing both for access as well as structural stresses.

Montreal.—We are not clear who the 'representative' was who visited the towers there; however, from personal inspection, the ring of ten at St. Patrick's has an odd middle five bells rung by electric motors—hardly classifiable as ringable—and certainly new ropes and new wheels and stays would mostly be required. At Notre Dame, two hours were spent trying to obtain permission to view the bells after which time urgent business elsewhere prevented examination. However, we were assured that all ten bells were rung by electric motors—which rules this tower out for all time. I would say!

Quebec City.—The reference in 'Dove' to the Holy Trinity ring being unringable is totally inaccurate. Reference was made to this tower in the report, but one wonders why it does not justify a heavy type heading as have the four in Western Canada? This tower, it seems to me, has suffered injustice long enough—for not only is it the oldest ring in Canada, but is also the one closest to the 'old country' and also is only ten minutes from the quay, where every passenger liner sailing between Canada and Britain docks on her way up or down the St. Lawrence River! Ringers attending the 1962 Central Council meeting at Cardiff may recall my showing a short colour film taken in this church and tower, including the bells, which had been shot only the year before.

May I suggest that the convener, Mr. Pipe, contacts Mr. R. H. Dove, for my correspondence with the latter gentleman of some three years back, which I would hope to be still on file. Complete information on Canadian bells was contained therein, there seems to have been no changes, although Mr. Dove inaccurately reported the Quebec City tower unringable, for which I have had no explanation nor seen any correction.

Two further corrections:

Calgary, the weight of tenor is 8½ cwt. (not 14);

Quebec City—St. Matthew's, the weight of tenor is 8 cwt. (not 14).

Both facts were verified with the ringers in these two cities, and again these appear in my letters to Mr. Dove.—Yours sincerely,

A. J. M. COLLINS.

Vancouver, B.C.

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## SWANSEA ELECT ANOTHER WOMAN MASTER

THE 36th annual festival of the Guild was held at St. Mary's, Swansea, on June 20th. The extremely good weather helped to make the journey to Swansea worth while. Those present represented the Central District and the Southern District, but unfortunately the newly-formed Northern District was not represented.

The Bishop arrived late for the service, being delayed in a traffic jam. The tea was provided by the St. Mary's ringers, and the arrangements were under the supervision of Mrs. Whitworth. Many more attended than was expected, but this was soon overcome, and the thanks of all present were expressed by Mr. Stan Edwards.

The service, conducted by Canon H. C. Williams, was held in Holy Trinity Chapel. The Rev. E. Hunt, who gave the address, was at the business meeting which followed, and was congratulated by the Bishop, who presided.

Among the apologies was one from Mr. D. Stokes, who tendered his resignation as treasurer through ill-health. Mr. Saunders paid tribute to the work he had done during his term of office, and added the good wishes of members for a complete recovery to good health.

### PRESENTATION OF THE SHIELD

The Bishop, in presenting the shield, congratulated the winners, Neath, on their fine achievement; he also presented certificates to the Cadoxton band who came second, and the Glasbury band who came third.

At this stage of the meeting the Bishop had to leave, and the chair was taken by Canon H. C. Williams.

The hon. secretary (Mr. J. A. Hoare) said unfortunately the Northern District was in a state of despondency, and this caused uneasiness. There was no record of subscriptions being paid and meetings had not been organised as planned. It was hoped that improvement would be shown very soon. Instructors were still required, especially in the Northern District.

In the absence of the treasurer, Mr. Stan Edwards presented the accounts, which showed a small surplus on the Income and Expenditure Account. They were adopted.

The Ringing Master reported increased interest throughout the diocese, but Sunday service ringing was not as it should be. The ringing competition was a success, and they had to thank Mr. Gwyn Thomas for adjudicating. A report of the Central Council meeting at Truro this year was given by Mr. T. M. Roderick.

In the absence of Mr. G. I. Lewis, a written report from him was read. An increase of eight peals this year over last was due mainly to a number of handbell peals, including one of 10,192 changes, and several new methods rung in the Swansea area. It was hoped that more ringers would attempt peals and quarters peals, as this was a sure way to improve striking. The Peal Book had been rewritten and about 250 new pages added. To date 220 peals had been rung for the Guild.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The new Master of the Guild is Miss Kathleen M. Watkins, of Sketty, Swansea, who was proposed by Mr. J. T. Williams and seconded by Mr. S. Edwards. Miss Watkins thanked them for electing her as Master, and hoped she would be able to carry out her duties as required of her.

Mr. Colin Lewis thought that a longer period in office of being Master would be beneficial to the Guild. Mr. Edwards suggested that the office should be filled from the Central and Southern Districts alternately.

The hon. secretary, Mr. J. A. Hoare, was re-elected, and Mr. D. H. Bennett, of Talgarth,



Miss Kathleen M. Watkins is the youngest Master of the Swansea and Brecon Diocesan Guild, being only 19 years of age. She has been ringing for four years and is a past vice-president of the South Wales District of the Ladies' Guild and a representative on the Central Committee of that Guild.

Kathleen is a student at Trinity College, Carmarthen; her home tower is St. Paul's, Sketty, where she is vice-captain. She has several peals, including one 'in hand,' to her credit.

was appointed to fill the vacant office of treasurer. A proposal by Mr. E. Morris to re-elect Mr. Stan Edwards as the auditor was carried, and Mr. G. I. Lewis was again elected peal recorder.

A suggestion on holding an annual dinner revealed an absence of real support; the matter was dropped.

A notice of motion by Mr. S. Edwards, that the committee meetings of the Guild be held each year in the home town of the Ringing Master, was supported by Mr. A. V. Protheroe and carried.

The 1965 annual festival of the Guild will be held at Brecon Cathedral at a date to be arranged later. The ringing competition for 1965 will be held at Bronllys and the alternative tower is to be Talgarth.

The collection for the Bell Restoration Fund realised £3 17s. 6d. Mr. E. Sage was elected a ringing member, and the proceedings concluded with an omnibus vote of thanks.

Ringing throughout the day varied from rounds to Surprise Major, and continued until 8.45 p.m. J. A. H.

## STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY

### Sale of Ring of Six Deplored

FOR the second year running, the Society Evensong was held in the choir stalls of Lichfield Cathedral, and was conducted by the president, the Ven. Basil Stratton (Archdeacon of Stafford). The Dean addressed the gathering, and emphasised that although the Society always clashed with the Cathedral Friends' annual meeting, he welcomed this, as the bells added to the atmosphere of the proceedings. The Dean included a brief history of the Cathedral in his address.

After the assembled party of over 120 had partaken of a bountiful tea, kindly provided by the ladies connected with Lichfield Cathedral ringers, the Archdeacon presided at the business meeting.

From the committee's report it appeared that the Society was nearing its greatest membership ever—nearly 300. Peal ringing is in a healthy state, with two Sunday service bands, Bilston and Gnosall, ringing their first local band peals, and Brewood and Penn also, save for the conductor. No useful professional bell restoration could be reported, but Shreshill bells were now being rung again. The deplorable loss of St. Martin's, Tipton, bells (8) was reported as six of the bells had been sold. It was stressed that ringers should keep officials informed of such propositions so that the best solution for the church concerned and the art of change ringing can be sought. This is a point ringers everywhere are advised to watch for, in these times of church demolition, rebuilding, etc. Although late, the committee were glad to report that there is now a ring of five at Sandon, near Stafford, and that the fifth bell at St. Leonard's, Bilston, has been recast, making the complete eight ringable once more.

The treasurer reported the Society's accounts to be in a healthy state, but said there was room for more co-operation from some towers in the prompt payment of subscriptions and peal fees.

It was agreed that the Saturday evening practice meetings would continue on the last Saturday of a month, in which there was not a meeting, and that at least one striking competition be held during the next twelve months. Full meetings (subject to permission) would be: September 5th, Lichfield Diocesan Festival at Stafford; October 17th, Yoxall; January 19th, St. Peter's, Wolverhampton; March 20th, Sedgley; May 8th, Great Barr; and the A.G.M. at Lichfield on June 19th, 1965.

An alteration to Rule 7 was adopted, making it necessary for peal fees to be payable to the treasurer by the following meeting.

The following officers for 1964/65 were elected: Ringing Master, Mr. Michael W. Fairey; Deputy Ringing Master, Mr. Philip G. K. Davies; hon. secretary, Mr. Clive M. Smith; 'Roiselle,' Walsall Road, Lichfield (tel. Lich 2124); honorary treasurer, Mr. John H. Allen, 8, Oriol Drive, Fordhouses, Wolverhampton; honorary auditor, Mr. H. Green; annual dinner secretary (for 1965), Mr. Charles Eyre.

The following new resident members were elected: Mrs. L. M. Griffiths, Miss E. Mould, W. Brotherton, C. Taberner, C. Taberner, sen., all St. Peter's Wolverhampton; Miss L. J. Monk, Longdon; T. Greaves, Bilston; J. D. P. Smith, Shreshill; S. White, Great Barr; S. Clamp, All Saints', West Bromwich; R. Fairbrother, E. Fairbrother, F. Beech and Mrs. J. Beech, all Stafford.

The president closed the meeting by thanking all who had made it so successful. C. M. S.

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## UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY'S SUMMER TOUR

WE finally collected together our wits and bicycles, and found ourselves on the train to Newport. Muscles already strained and hands blistered from furniture removing the previous evening, we sank back exhausted to enjoy our last taste of mechanised transport for another ten days. The summer tour, 1964, of the U.B.S.C.R. was to be in the Wye Valley and had been extended to last ten days instead of a week.

Our first visit was to All Saints', Newport, a very pleasant eight, and from there to Caerleon. Unfortunately, having taken a wrong turn out of Newport we arrived late but were unable to overstay our time because a wedding was to be held there at two o'clock. We were told that these bells are the lightest ring of eight in that part of the country, and it became painfully obvious that the Society is not used to handling light bells when the stay on the second was broken in the rise. It was here that we made first acquaintance with the tandem, whose riders though hailing from a rival society we permitted to join our ranks for the duration.

A horrible truth was then revealed to the secretary. Her lack of knowledge of Welsh place names had led her to confuse Llantrisant, Glam. with Llantrisant, Mon. The former, where we were scheduled to ring, was 40 miles away. The latter, which was just up the valley, possessed two bells. Even the most ardent tower-grabber was deterred by this: a hasty phone call sorted the matter out and we were able, thankfully, to struggle on to Chepstow Youth Hostel. We discovered that the nearest pub was a mile away, but inspired by rigorous renderings of 'Tavern in the Town' on the hostel piano we were not daunted.

The next morning we cycled to Chepstow to join the local band of St. Mary's for service ringing on their lovely ten. After the service we went and looked over Chepstow Castle, and then continued on to Mathern where we ate our packed lunches on a tombstone until thirst drove us afield. Alas, we arrived ten minutes after closing time.

After ringing on the six at Mathern, where we reached our highest venture by ringing a touch of Perivale which failed to come round until called into Plain Bob, we proceeded to Caldicot. By this time we were drooping with thirst and we had to beg a glass of water before we could even bear to listen to 'Pick of the Pops.' Having met and rung with the Rev. Roy Hallett and his band of young learners, we returned to Chepstow Youth Hostel.

### HEAVEN'S GATE

On Monday we managed to force our expanding luggage into our shrinking saddlebags before setting out to ring at Tidenham, a lovely six. From there we had a seven mile drag to Lydney, where we were met by an officer of the law who unbuttoned his tunic to help us out in a good course of Cambridge Major. Then a long, long climb faced us to St. Briavels. At the top of the hill we saw a sign declaring 'Heaven's Gate.' Could it be that we had come so far? We were not surprised. Giving St. Peter an airy wave we started on the downward path. The view from St. Briavels is magnificent, but we had no time to appreciate it. The bells were in bad repair and we found them tough going. A postman came to meet us as we left. Policemen, postmen... what servant of his country would greet us next? We wondered. We soon found out. When we arrived at Clearwell we learned that a funeral was about to take place. Of course, we were unable to ring, but the weather was beautiful and we sat by the village stream trying to make our icc-olly sticks shoot the rapids.

All too soon it was time to move on to Staunton. After enjoying the six bells there we had a ten mile run back through the Forest of Dean to Mitcheldean Youth Hostel, where the food we discovered was magnificent, and we were to be there for three nights. On discovering our prodigious capacity for drinking tea the warden had to dig out her largest teapot. With what joy did we then perceive that the nearest hostelry was a mere ten yards away. It possessed a piano which

led us through an exhausting repertoire of song, ending with 'The Bristol Man' to the chagrin of our friends from another place.

The bells at Mitcheldean have just been rehung and are one of the finest eights we have ever visited. After ringing there on Tuesday morning we freewheeled all the way down to Blaisdon and Westbury-on-Severn, the latter having well sounding bells although their going was hard. We then swept round the curve of the Severn to have our lunch and ring at Awre. We had another very steep hill to climb to Littledean, after which we managed to stagger our exhausted way back to the hostel.

The next morning we arrived early at Newent, giving ourselves opportunity to buy postcards, icecream and the like. To our horror we discovered that the tandem had acquired itself a loud echoing horn which blazed a trail for us miles ahead. But as the tandem was inclined to overtake every vehicle in sight at rather more than average speed we realised that a horn was more of an asset than a liability. From the lovely six at Newent we continued on to Staunton, near Tewkesbury, a lone church set outside the village almost in the yard of a large farm. Bromesborough was our next stop where we were met by the Rev. F. F. Rigby, Master of the Gloucester and Bristol Guild, who, after ringing with us and conducting us round his neat little church, kindly provided us with tea in the Church Hall.

### ACCIDENTS

On the way to the last tower of the day, Aston Ingham, our first accident occurred. A bumpy verge and faulty brakes caused two people to entangle themselves and their bikes, but there was no damage apart from a few bruises and a buckled wheel. Aston Ingham bells were very light and our Master disgraced himself by breaking the first stay of his ringing career. And so back to our last night at Mitcheldean. A delicious meal was ready for us, but we were too full to make the most of it, although not many plates were left unlicked.

On Thursday morning we said good-bye to the warden and her lovely children, voting this the best hostel we had ever stayed at. The memory was to linger with us nostalgically for the rest of the tour. We had another good-bye to make: to Maria, who had to leave us much to our regret. Our first tower that morning was Longhope—it was an experience to go downstairs to ring instead of up. The Master arrived late again, but for once he had a valid excuse: he had, so it seemed, somersaulted his handlebars in a desperate attempt to avoid hitting a stationary car. We continued to Weston-under-Penyard, where the more 'musically' inclined tried to find the easiest way to ruin yet another harmonium. We then moved on to Ross and enjoyed the beautiful eight, though our standard of methods and striking was by now abysmal. The sky was an ominous yellow but so far we had been fortunate with the weather and our luck held. In our exhausted state all we could do was to stagger to a cafe, where the wax on the candles had accumulated to form malignant looking growths, before going on to ring at Goodrich. Castle spotters were able to add yet another name to their list, and we saw the River Wye for the first time (... this tour was supposed to be in the Wye Valley, wasn't it?...). After ringing on this pleasant six we found we had a hilly track to climb to Welsh Bicknor Youth Hostel, where we were intrigued to find besides the Warden and his family an assorted collection of animals, including a tame crow. To reach the nearest pub we had first to brave a field of steers and trespass over a disused railway bridge before walking a mile along the opposite side of the river, but the men at least seemed to think it was worth it for the sake of the beautiful barmaid.

### DEEP IN ROOKS' NESTS

The next day Timothy discovered that he was not feeling well, so we left him behind at the hostel for the day. Our first tower was Llangarron, where we were met by the Vicar,

and after this St. Weonards. Here yet another horrible truth was revealed: the secretary had again sullied her reputation by allowing only one hour in which to cycle five miles and have lunch. However, we were only too glad literally to shake the dust of St. Weonards from our feet: the stairs to the belfry were in places ankle deep in rooks' nests and we dreaded what we might arouse by walking over them. The bells too were hard going; so we pressed on hurriedly to have lunch before ringing at Skenfrith. But the Furies were hounding us today: the rope on the third slumped and Roger still had a coil in his hand. The Vicar very kindly drove him to the hospital and he appeared later, his little finger broken. For the rest of the tour he rang one-handedly. The rest of us had a lovely downhill run into Monmouth, where the rain began to pelt down just as we reached the shelter of St. Mary's Church. The bells were some of the best we had encountered though I doubt if they felt the same about us. After this most of the party were keen to get back to the hostel: some of us could not face another eight mile drag without a break so we had some coffee before returning to Welsh Bicknor.

Saturday morning dawned bright and beautiful, unlike us. The strain was telling. We struggled up the long hill to Ruardean, arriving 55 minutes late so that we had time merely to ring up, have a quick course of Grandsire Triples and down before travelling on to Linton, a lovely six. We had lunch conveniently during a rainstorm after which we enjoyed the best rise of the tour at Upton Bishop.

### MUSSELS AND FRIENDSHIPS

In a depressed mood we moved on to Dymock, a heavy and not a very easy-going six. We were delighted to meet here the Tyndale-Biscoes, no longer travelling tandem-wise. They came with us as far as Much Marcle but we were unable to ring here as no-one came to let us in. We then made our way to Rushall Youth Hostel. No advantages here, we thought. Meals served on cold plates and the pub a good half-hour's walk away (or ten minute run, depending on the strength of your thirst and your legs). But the cider was draught and bread, cheese and onions were served on the house. A jar of mussels was nearly the break-up of several beautiful friendships, but peace if not order was resumed as we weaved our happy way home.

The next day, Sunday, we had an uphill journey to ring at Woolhope. We stayed to Matins, the Vicar having kindly asked us if one of us would like to read the lesson. In the afternoon we rang at Fownhope where we were welcomed and entertained by the Rev. H. G. Sell who brought his family up to the belfry with him to watch us ring. He then directed us to Kings Cople up a very steep hill which made the muscles in our calves and shoulders sing. This next tower we viewed with some apprehension as the letter of acceptance had relieved the Vicar of all responsibility for any damage caused during our visit. Wishing that we had taken out insurance policies before embarking on this horrible venture we bravely seized hold of the ropes. We soon discovered that these were so long that it was easier to ring sitting down. The ringer of the second had to stand beneath an open trapdoor through which, if you didn't mind getting your eyes full of dust, you could see the bells swinging high above. It was now turning cold and it was a long way to Rushall but in spite of our exhaustion we found no difficulty after supper in returning to our lovely pub.

On Monday we had another late start so that we unfortunately only had time for a short ring on the lovely eight at Ledbury before moving on to the lighter eight at Colwall. We then made the mistake of waiting till we got to Coddington before having lunch. We arrived to find that this village consisted of a church, two houses and a post office which sold nothing but stamps. Most of us were not prepared to cycle two miles in the

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## BRISTOL UNIV. TOUR—Cont.

blazing sun to find a public house and so we lay limply in the churchyard until, after receiving several visits which became more and more pointed, the little woman in the post office suddenly produced a bottle of lemon squash and jug of water. This could not have been more welcome, and was yet another example of the kind hospitality we received throughout the tour.

Having enjoyed the bells we rode on to Bosbury, but though we waited a good time the tower was locked and no-one came to unlock it, so we pressed on to Stretton Grandison, a pleasant light six with an unusually close rope circle. We had a smooth run back along the Roman road to the hostel. This was our last evening and we celebrated it in the traditional style.

And so the final day had arrived when we never thought it would. Our penultimate tower was over the hill at Hampton Bishop (a pleasant ring), and then the beautiful six at Hereford St. Nicholas'. We were able to hold our heads up in the end by ringing an excellent touch of London Minor followed by a good lower, and we wished we could always ring like that.

The secretary wishes to thank all incumbents and tower captains for allowing us the use of their bells and for meeting us and enduring our indifferent ringing. The kindness and warmth we received, not only in the tower but from everyone we met, cannot be forgotten. She also wishes to acknowledge the encouragement and advice she received from various members of the Society when things looked their worst. The hills were high and the cycling hard, and next year's organiser was sometimes to be heard muttering wildly to himself about minibuses and sailing boats. We certainly endured more knocks and bruises this year than ever before, and it is surprising that all the bikes survived even as well as they did. It seemed that everything worked together to make this one of our most memorable tours.

J. D. P.

## OUTINGS

## NORWICH, ST. GEORGE'S, COLEGATE

The St. George's ringers made an early start for their main outing of the year into Lincolnshire on June 27th. Despite the holiday traffic and 'short cuts,' we managed to ring the first touch at Wrangle more or less on schedule. Early rising seemed to affect the ringing here, but the bells were neatly lowered in peal, as indeed they were at most of the towers visited.

On to Bennington, where there was some furtive traffic in Eccles cakes and 'pop' before ringing London, Plain Bob, Kent and a good touch of Stedman. We rang next on the six at Butterwick, a beautifully kept church, where Plain Bob, Oxford and Norwich were successfully brought round. Thoughts began to turn to the high point (in every sense) of the day, because we were due to ring at Boston before lunch.

It is impossible to do justice to St. Botolph's within the close timetable of a ringing outing, but we hoped to be able to visit the church again some day. After getting our breath, we made a careful start with rounds and call changes on the fine ring of ten, Grandsire Caters, a plain course of Stedman, Bob Major and Grandsire Triples followed, and we felt that we had not disgraced ourselves.

After a gargantuan chop suey lunch, the ringing on the 14 cwt. six at Freiston seemed to match the meal, but at Fishtoft we had some of the best ringing of the day. Teatime took us through Boston again and on to Frampton where we rang some competent Stedman Doubles and a course of London, followed by another good lower in peal. At this stage the Alvis in the party almost disappeared under the weight of a group photograph before we moved on to the only octave of the day at Kirton.

The last two towers were Wigtoft and Alkirk, the day finishing in good style with Plain Bob, Cambridge and London. Our thanks must include Peter Adcock, who organised an excellent day.

D. P. M.

## MAULDEN, BEDS.

Eagerly looked forward to by the regulars, the annual outing of the Maulden ringers is always a popular event, and this year a visit was made to the Sussex area.

On this lovely day, June 20th, the natural beauty of this enchanting countryside showed up at its best. Dorking was the first stop, and here some of the party refreshed themselves with coffee whilst others were even more refreshed by another meeting with that dynamic local character, Pat Cannon!

The bells of the Parish Church were put to good use before we moved on to Henfield, whose excellent ring of eight gave everyone much pleasure.

Lunch at Worthing was followed by a visit to historic Arundel, where a solid brick wall divides the chancel from the nave, a lasting tribute to the broadmindedness of a former Duke of Norfolk, who didn't mind what religious views people held, so long as they held them on the other side of the wall! (The bells are, fortunately, in the C. of E. part of the church, and we enjoyed a ring on them.)

Further ringing took place at Pulborough, where an excellent tea was enjoyed.

Next came Petworth's quite outstanding octave, though perhaps a little odd-struck—but there should be more bells like these!

The last tower was Chiddingfold, and a very pleasant ring. As we were about to leave Chiddingfold we realised we had provided a little interest for other people too (always very pleasant!). The coach in which we travelled was the centre of attraction, and though, to us, it seemed a perfectly ordinary coach, it came in for a great deal of notice, even from people who normally travel in Rolls Royces, probably due to the fact that it was parked outside one of England's most exclusive hotels!

Altogether a most delightful day's outing, and the sincere thanks of all are accorded to incumbents, local ringers, our organiser Ron Sharp, and all who helped to make it such a success.

A. E. R.

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A peal attempt for Bob Major which, had it been successful, would have been the first on the 'Gabriel' eight, was made at St. Nicholas', Great Yarmouth, to welcome the new Vicar (Rev. Donald Holt), lately of St. Peter's, Croydon. Canon A. G. G. Thurlow joined the otherwise local band in this effort to give his successor a happy in-coming to the parish but a shift course after two and a half hours put paid to hopes of success.

We hear that Mr. Tom Myers has been recuperating at Bude, and conducted a short touch of Stedman Triples at Stratton. This was his first attempt at ringing since last October.

Sturry, Kent, ringers are proud of the quarter peal we publish this week. A year less three days ago, Mr. F. File took on the task of training a band from scratch and now they have scored their first quarter of Grandsire. A previous attempt was baulked by the clapper leaving the fourth.

With the peal at St. Peter's, Brighton, on June 27th, the conductor, Mr. John W. Euston, has fulfilled a wish of 30 years' standing to score a peal in this church. The peal was a silver wedding compliment to Mr. H. C. Weaver, who rang the fifth, and his wife.

From 'Belfry News,' the Derbyshire Bell-ringers' monthly: 'When one considers the generosity of the American people in entertaining those representatives of English bell-ringers one shudders at the narrowness and paucity of imagination of the critics who argued against making donations towards the project.'

The bells of St. Mary's, Banbury, rang out merrily on June 24th, when a peal of Stedman Caters was rung in honour of the 93rd birthday of Mr. Fredk. Selwyn, father to the Banbury tower. His ringing career started at Bromesberrow, Glos. in the 1880's and continued until he was 87 when the stairs defeated him. Mr. Selwyn came to Banbury during world war one and for about 20 years he was sexton. He still takes a keen interest in ringing matters.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

Miss Brenda Cooke, who, along with her parents Mr. and Mrs. T. Cooke, rings at St. Cuthbert's, Darlington, has obtained a B.Sc. degree at Newcastle University, and Gillian, daughter of Mr. E. Pannell, who also rings at St. Cuthbert's, has obtained a B.A. at Durham. Gillian does not at present ring, but having been introduced to the mysteries of bell control may take up ringing at some future date.

Mr. David Walklate, of Derby, is going to Hong Kong for three years.

With the peal at Cosgrove, Mr. W. J. Chester achieved an ambition to ring 200 peals. It was a good steady peal, just how Bill likes his ringing.

Kirby-le-Soken are holding their fourth Ringers' Sunday on July 26th. The support of visitors would be most welcome at this special Sunday for worship and general interest in our art.

Leatherhead, Surrey, bells which have been silent since last October, when the sixth bell fell into the pit, are likely to be heard again on August Bank Holiday, when the joint meeting between the Surrey Association and Guildford Guild takes place. Most of the bells are having new headstocks.

Four Yorkshire ringers aiming for their first and only peal of Minimus (in 10 methods) were rudely interrupted just 20 minutes from the end at the Church of the Holy Trinity, Stockton-on-the-Forest, nr. York, by an extremely annoyed individual who even put his fists up! Fortunately, he was removed from the church with considerable restraint by the ringers who will now have to make a further attempt on this delightful light ground-floor ring.

Congratulations to the Yorkshire Association band, conducted by Mr. W. F. Moreton, who with a peal of Spliced Surprise Royal in 32 methods have rung most methods to a peal of Royal.

In the peal at Askerswell on June 20th (see page 472) the ringer of the second was Joseph T. Barrett, and not Barnett.

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## TWELVE AND TEN BELL PEALS

### THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ST. ALBANS, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5075 ERIN CATERS

Tenor 23 cwt.

KENNETH J. DARVILL .. Treble	*HAROLD V. FROST .. 6
*JULIA A. FELLOWS .. 2	*ROBERT E. HARDY .. 7
*HADLEY HUNTER .. 3	*CHRISTOPHER E. SLADE .. 8
*†CHRISTOPHER FORSTER .. 4	GEORGE W. DEBENHAM .. 9
*STEPHEN P. DARVILL .. 5	†REGINALD W. DARVILL .. Tenor

Composed by HADLEY HUNTER. Conducted by KENNETH J. DARVILL.  
\* First peal in the method. † First 'inside.' ‡ 50th peal. First of Erin Caters in the county.

Rung for the Patronal Festival.

### THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

BANBURY, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Wed., June 24, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5079 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 17½ cwt.

WALTER F. JUDGE .. Treble	WILLIAM A. YATES .. 6
BRIAN R. WHITE .. 2	EDGAR J. SMITH .. 7
RICHARD F. B. SPEED .. 3	STEPHEN J. IVIN .. 8
GEOFFREY J. HEMMINGS .. 4	GERALD C. HEMMINGS .. 9
F. JOHN NELSON .. 5	FRANCIS A. WHITE .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS. Conducted by WALTER F. JUDGE.  
Rung as a 93rd birthday compliment to Mr. Frederick Selwyn.

### ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Thurs., June 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

RODERICK W. PIPE .. Treble	*JOHN C. EISEL .. 7
SUSAN FUNNELL .. 2	EDWARD W. COLLEY .. 8
MURIEL REAY .. 3	GEORGE E. FEARN .. 9
MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. 4	CLIFFORD A. BARRON .. 10
MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. 5	DAVID J. PURNELL .. 11
HERBERT C. SPENCER .. 6	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

\* First peal of Maximus.

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

On Thurs., July 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

EDWARD W. COLLEY .. Treble	JOHN C. EISEL .. 6
SUSAN FUNNELL .. 2	GERALD C. HEMMING .. 7
GEOFFREY J. HEMMING .. 3	RODERICK W. PIPE .. 8
MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. 4	GEORGE E. FEARN .. 9
MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. 5	J. ALAN AINSWORTH .. Tenor

Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

### THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BRIGHTON, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5021 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. in D.

LEONARD STILWELL .. Treble	*MICHAEL J. BEW .. 6
*PEGGY E. TAYLOR .. 2	*BERNARD G. NORTH .. 7
ROBERT J. WAKE .. 3	†BERNARD J. STONE .. 8
CATHERINE M. POWELL .. 4	JOHN W. EUSTON .. 9
HENRY C. WEAVER .. 5	ALBERT W. BOND .. Tenor

Composed by EDGAR BENNETT. Conducted by JOHN W. EUSTON.

\* First peal of Caters. † First of Grandsire Caters.

Rung for the Patronal Festival.

### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ROTHERHAM, Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sun., July 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 35 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE ROYAL

In 32 methods, being 240 each of Albanian, Cambridge, Lincolnshire, London No. 3, Oakham, Prittlewell, Rutland, Selby, York and Yorkshire, and 120 each of Abergavenny, Abingdon, Banbury, Bromsgrove, Coalbrookdale, Haslemere, Inveraray, Leek, Limerick, Lindsey, Marsden, Mirfield, Ossett, Pudsey, Ranmoor, Shrewsbury, Staffordshire, Sunderland, Wembley, Whithy, Wrexham and Yeovil; with 122 changes of method.

Tenor 34½ cwt. in C sharp.

NEIL DONOVAN .. Treble	VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. 6
JEANNE E. BOTTOMLEY .. 2	GORDON BENFIELD .. 7
W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. 3	WILFRID F. MORETON .. 8
DONALD H. NIBLETT .. 4	JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK .. 9
J. HENRY FIELDEN .. 5	NORMAN CHADDOCK .. Tenor

Composed by DONALD H. NIBLETT. Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.  
Most methods rung in a peal of Royal.

Abergavenny: —70—18—50—16—14—30—14—30—18—10	1.h. 1426
Limerick: —50—16—12—30—14—14.30—14—14.30—14—16.90	1.h. 1573
Shrewsbury: —50—16—70—38—14—58—16—70—78—90	1.h. 1907
Wrexham: —50—16—1270—38.14—14.50—12—50—56—10	1.h. 1089

These four methods are rung in a peal for the first time.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

### THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

TWERTON-ON-AVON, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

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

*CHARLES G. JONES .. Treble	THOMAS W. HARRIS .. 5
DAVID J. BARNETT .. 2	DAVID J. ORLEDGE .. 6
LESLIE R. G. TAYLOR .. 3	TERENCE J. MILSOM .. 7
†ROBERT J. PURNELL .. 4	ALAN F. LEE .. Tenor

Composed by J. BARKER.

\* 75th peal. † First of Major.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Martin Jones and Pat Burt.

### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

MALDON, Essex.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., July 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part (6th obs.).	Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in F.
IAN R. PANTON .. Treble	*JOHN CLARK .. 5
PETER J. CAME .. 2	JOE E. G. ROAST .. 6
DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. 3	JAMES L. TOWLER .. 7
PHILIP J. ROTHERA .. 4	IAN FOSTER .. Tenor

Conducted by JOE E. G. ROAST.

\* First peal of Triples.

### THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BISHOP'S STORTFORD, Herts.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 17 cwt.
REGINALD HAYDEN .. Treble	GEORGE GOODMAN .. 5
*LILIAN GOODMAN .. 2	EDWARD ROCHESTER .. 6
*VALERIE PERKIN .. 3	†DAVID KINGSTON .. 7
†PETER WARBOYS .. 4	*PETER WILLIAMS .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID KINGSTON.

\* First peal. † First of Grandsire Triples. First as conductor.

A farewell to Valerie Perkin and Jo Munday on leaving Hockerill Teachers' Training College.

### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

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

On Tues., June 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb. in F.

SHEILA COPPING .. Treble	THOMAS E. SONE .. 5
WILLIAM J. RAWLINGS .. 2	PERCY J. SPICE .. 6
R. THOMAS NEWMAN .. 3	ERNEST L. LADD .. 7
*MARIA E. KIRBY .. 4	PHILIP A. CORBY .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY (C.C.C. 2).

Conducted by PHILIP A. CORBY.

\* First peal in the method.

In honour of the Patronal Festival.

### THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Tues., June 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

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

SANDRA E. CHESTERTON .. Treble	G. RONALD EDWARDS .. 5
RAYMOND BENFIELD .. 2	RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. 6
BRIAN G. WARWICK .. 3	REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. 7
JOSEPH W. COTTON .. 4	A. JAMES POYNOR .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

STONELEY STANTON, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Wed., June 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5152 MANCETTER SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt.

MALCOLM WADE .. Treble	IAN J. FRASER .. 5
GARRY W. MASON .. 2	J. BARRY PICKUP .. 6
RUSSELL S. MORRIS .. 3	A. MAXWELL LINDSEY .. 7
JOHN M. JELLEY .. 4	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN M. JELLEY.

First peal in the method.

#### MANCETTER SURPRISE MAJOR

—36—14—58—38—14—38—12—58 1.h. 12 1573

f.c.h. 24365. 32465. 43265.

(H. and M. No. 0253.)

### LEICESTER.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., June 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

Being 17 methods, viz.: 640 of London, 320 each of Wembley, Lincolnshire, Lindum, Cray, Cambridge, Eastcote, Yorkshire, Wordsworth, Pudsey, Bristol, Rutland and New Gloucester, 160 each of Uxbridge, Superlative, Hitchin and Watford; 140 changes of method.

Tenor 8½ cwt. (approx.).

ALAN E. HARTLEY .. Treble	GEOFFREY M. BREWIN .. 5
J. BARRY PICKUP .. 2	ROLAND H. COOK .. 6
JOHN M. JELLEY .. 3	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. 7
A. MAXWELL LINDSEY .. 4	JOHN E. COOK .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN. Conducted by JOHN E. COOK.

First peal in 17 Surprise Major methods by all the band, on the bells, and for the Guild.



## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

WELLINGBOROUGH, Northants.—At the Church of All Hallows.  
On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 28 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb.

IAN W. HALL .. .. Treble	ALAN E. HARTLEY .. .. 5
MALCOLM E. WADE .. .. 2	RUSSELL S. MORRIS .. .. 6
*MICHAEL J. STALEY .. .. 3	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. .. 7
†BARRIE HENDRY .. .. 4	‡JOHN M. JELLEY .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN M. JELLEY.

\* First peal of Yorkshire. † 200th peal. ‡ 50th peal of Yorkshire Major on tower bells.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

SURFLEET, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Laurence.

On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 9 lb. in F.

EDWIN T. CHAPMAN .. Treble	*ALAN G. PAYNE .. .. 5
*ROGER D. BAILEY .. .. 2	RAYMOND H. DAW .. .. 6
*DEREK J. JONES .. .. 3	CYRIL R. BURRELL .. .. 7
KEITH R. DAVEY .. .. 4	†BRIAN HARRIS .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. WILLSON (C.C.C. 223). Conducted by BRIAN HARRIS.

\* First peal in the method. † 25th peal together.  
Rung as a compliment to Margaret Pell and Lance Rawding, whose wedding took place at this church prior to the peal.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Thurs., June 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 19 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5152 QUEDEGEY SURPRISE MAJOR

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

GEORGE A. DAWSON .. Treble	JOHN K. SMITH .. .. 5
*REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE .. 2	RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. .. 6
RAYMOND BENFIELD .. .. 3	*DEREK P. JONES .. .. 7
JOSEPH W. COTTON .. .. 4	G. RONALD EDWARDS .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by DEREK P. JONES.

\* First peal in the method.

## NON-ASSOCIATION.

SKIPTON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of Holy Trinity.

On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt.

A. WILLIAM KIRKBY .. Treble	LEONARD GOODALL .. .. 5
S. BARRY SCHOFIELD .. .. 2	BARRY SULLIVAN .. .. 6
ROGER J. LUMLEY .. .. 3	H. DAVID HOLLAND .. .. 7
PETER A. KIRKBY .. .. 4	ALFRED SMITH .. .. Tenor

Composed by IAN M. HOLLAND.

Conducted by LEONARD GOODALL.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

NORTH ELMHAM, Norfolk.—Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

J. R. PRITCHARD's Four-Part.	EDWARD HOWES .. .. 5
JANET HOHL .. .. Treble	SAMUEL J. HAINES .. .. 6
ROY E. CULLINGTON .. .. 2	H. WILLIAM BARRETT .. .. 7
SIDNEY MARSHALL .. .. 3	KEVIN S. HOHL .. .. Tenor
HENRY TOOKE .. .. 4	

Conducted by KEVIN S. HOHL.

First peal of Major as conductor.

A birthday compliment to Edward Howes.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

CHURCHILL, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN .. Treble	H. GEORGE HART .. .. 5
ELSIE K. HART .. .. 2	*PETER D. BEEDIE .. .. 6
*FREDERICK W. SODEN .. .. 3	ROGER BALDWIN .. .. 7
D. KAY ADKINS .. .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal in the method.

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in G.

BLETCHLEY, Buckinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb. in F.

TERRY PAGE .. .. Treble	JOSEPH MARKS .. .. 5
WILLIAM A. YATES .. .. 2	ROGER CADAMBY .. .. 6
ARTHUR KERSHAW .. .. 3	DONALD J. MEABER .. .. 7
RAYMOND A. VICKERS .. .. 4	GEORGE W. HOLLAND .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by GEORGE W. HOLLAND.

Rung in honour of the 86th birthday of Harry Sear; also to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the forming of the Guild's North Bucks Branch, of which he is a founder member.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

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

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Pritchard's.	Tenor 19 cwt. in E flat.
*ALFRED WALLER .. Treble	ROY W. SPENCER .. .. 5
RONALD RUSSELL .. .. 2	*GILBERT COWLING .. .. 6
*GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 3	ALLAN V. JACQUES .. .. 7
RICHARD A. WEBSTER .. 4	JAMES H. MUSSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.

\* First peal of Plain Bob Major.

NORTHAMPTON.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Thurs., July 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr.

PATRICK I. CHAPMAN .. Treble	ALAN J. FROST .. .. 5
*ALAN A. PAUL .. .. 2	BARRIE HENDRY .. .. 6
*GRAHAM C. PAUL .. .. 3	RICHARD F. B. SPEED .. 7
DAVID J. MARSHALL .. 4	PETER BORDER .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

\* First peal of London Surprise Major.

## THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

TOTTENHAM, Middlesex.—At the Church of All Hallows.

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, comprising 1,312 Bristol and 1,280 each of London, Cambridge and Superlative; with 112 changes of method, and with all the work of each method for each bell.

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr.

D. MARY BERESFORD .. Treble	JAMES L. TOWLER .. .. 5
E. JANE SIBSON .. .. 2	DENNIS A. S. SYMONDS .. 6
PETER J. EVES .. .. 3	PETER BERESFORD .. .. 7
JOE E. G. ROAST .. .. 4	DENNIS BERESFORD .. .. Tenor

Composed by ALBERT J. PITMAN.

Conducted by DENNIS BERESFORD.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

DEBENHAM, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

On Fri., July 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21½ cwt.

NEVILLE F. WHITTELL .. Treble	LESLIE G. BRETT .. .. 5
ROBERT E. LESTER .. .. 2	*LEONARD E. LAST .. .. 6
*ALICE E. J. LESTER .. .. 3	ANDREW T. BECKWITH .. 7
*HAROLD LEATHER .. .. 4	HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY (No. 4).

Conducted by H. W. EGGLESTONE.

\* First peal in the method.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

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

On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 3 qr. in E flat.

BETTY PERCY .. .. Treble	*IAN V. J. SMITH .. .. 5
*JANET M. PERCY .. .. 2	*THOS. M. BARLOW .. .. 6
†VALERIE MEFHAM .. .. 3	*ALAN R. BALDOCK .. .. 7
LEONARD STILWELL .. .. 4	A. PATRICK CANNON .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

\* First peal of Surprise 'inside'. † Barrie on eight bells. ‡ First of Cambridge Major.

## THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

LLANFEIGAN, Brecon.—At the Church of St. Meagan.

On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

*J. A. ELLIS .. .. Treble	MALCOLM T. JOHNS .. .. 5
RUTH E. HAVARD .. .. 2	JACK ALSOP .. .. 6
*M. R. THOMAS .. .. 3	D. J. LLEWELYN .. .. 7
PENELOPE J. WELCH .. .. 4	M. M. PETERSON .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by M. M. PETERSON.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First of Major 'inside'.

SKETTY, Swansea, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Paul.

On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5156 SPLICED MAJOR

Being 708 Gainsborough Little Bob and 4,448 Plain Bob; with 118 changes of method.

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb. in F.

*ELIZABETH J. WATKINS .. Treble	KATHLEEN M. WATKINS .. 5
EDMUND J. MORRIS .. .. 2	RICHARD C. WARBURTON .. 6
HAZEL WAY .. .. 3	JOHN OWEN .. .. 7
J. ARTHUR HOARE .. .. 4	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. Tenor

Composed by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

\* First peal on eight bells. First of Spliced Gainsborough Little Bob and Plain Bob on tower bells for all the band, on the bells, and for the Guild.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

HINTON-ON-THE-GREEN, Worcs.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb. in G.

MRS. P. A. CORBY .. Treble	WILLIAM J. NEWMAN .. 5
ANN JENNER .. .. 2	PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. 6
*JUDITH M. CORBY .. .. 3	ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. 7
MRS. J. THOMAS .. .. 4	STANLEY JENNER .. .. Tenor

Composed by R. BALDWIN.

Conducted by ANDREW J. CORBY.

\* First peal in the method. In honour of the Patronal Festival.



THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
STOKE PRIOR, Worcs.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sun., June 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb. in A.

*IAN LLOYD .. Treble	GEORGE J. HEMMING .. 5
MARTIN D. FELLOWS .. 2	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. 6
*ARTHUR C. BERRY .. 3	JOHN C. EISEL .. 7
*RAYMOND SMITH .. 4	GERALD C. HEMMING .. Tenor

Composed by GEORGE BAKER. Conducted by GERALD C. HEMMING.

\* First peal of Rutland. First in the method as conductor.

CRADLEY, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Mon., June 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Heywood's variation. Tenor 10 cwt. 11 lb.

FREDERICK G. HANDLEY .. Treble	HAROLD J. SHUCK .. 5
*M. IRENE ELLSMORE .. 2	*A. BRYAN ELLSMORE .. 6
ALBERT G. HALL .. 3	BARNABAS G. KEY .. 7
E. MARION KEY .. 4	HAROLD WHITE .. Tenor

Conducted by BARNABAS G. KEY.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples.

Rung for the Patronal Festival.

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

HEPTONSTALL, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Thomas.

On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In 14 methods, being 640 each London and Bristol and 320 each Cambridge, Superlative, Yorkshire, Pudsey, Lincolnshire, Rutland, Ealing, Eastcote, Elford, Lindum, Wembley and Watford: with 139 changes of method. Tenor 18½ cwt.

HOWARD SCOTT .. Treble	GORDON BENFIELD .. 5
W. ERIC CRITCHLEY .. 2	VERNON BOTTOMLEY .. 6
A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. 3	J. HENRY FIELDS .. 7
JEANNE E. BOTTOMLEY .. 4	RICHARD E. PRICE .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. MAYNE. Conducted by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

**FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS**

THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD SOCIETY.

ALDRIDGE, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being three extents of St. Clement's College Bob and four of Plain Bob.

*SIDNEY J. J. LARCOMBE .. Treble	MICHAEL MULVEY .. 4
MARILYN C. SMITH .. 2	P. GEORGE GOLDER .. 5
EDWARD HOUGH .. 3	MICHAEL W. FAIREY .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL W. FAIREY. Tenor 9 cwt. 6 lb. in A.

\* First peal. First of Minor in two methods by all the band, and on the bells.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

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

On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Tenor 15 cwt.

GILLIAN S. M. WALSH .. Treble	BRUCE WAKEFIELD .. 4
JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. 2	EDWARD R. VENN .. 5
*ANTHONY D. SANSON .. 3	PETER A. SHARP .. Tenor

Composed by REV. E. BANKES JAMES. Conducted by PETER A. SHARP.

\* 25th peal.

**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

EDLESBOROUGH, Bucks.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven extents (four callings). Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb.

*JONATHAN D. CHAMBERLAIN .. Treble	BRIAN M. BARKER .. 4
*HOWARD COLLINGS .. 2	*REGINALD E. J. SHEPPARD .. 5
WALTER AYRE .. 3	*ANTHONY R. KENCH .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

\* First peal of London. First of London on the bells.

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

BOBBING, Kent.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew.

On Sat., May 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 16 extents Plain Bob (four callings). 26 Grand sire (ten callings).

*MRS. MARJORY CROALL .. Treble	STANLEY V. RAYFIELD .. 4
MRS. EMILY B. P. CHEAL .. 2	TIMOTHY D. WICKINS .. 5
FRANCIS J. CHEAL .. 3	*ROBERT G. PEARCE (13) .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS J. CHEAL. Tenor 9½ cwt.

\* First peal.

Rung as a golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. R. Belsey, of Ditton, near Maidstone.

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

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

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents, each called differently (110 singles. 50 bobs).

ANNE E. BATESON .. Treble	FREDERICK DERRY .. 4
J. EDWARD BROWN .. 2	CLARENCE F. BRIGGS .. 5
RICHARD A. HUNT .. 3	JAMES H. MUSSON .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb.

BLANKNEY, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Oswald.

On Tues., June 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 BEVERLEY SURPRISE MINOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. in G

CHARLES E. BROWN .. Treble	PETER A. SHARP .. 4
JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. 2	LOUIS WILLDERS .. 5
AMOS INGALL .. 3	JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. Tenor

Composed by REV. E. BANKES JAMES, Conducted by J. L. MILLHOUSE.

First peal in the method by all the band.

In memoriam Frederick W. Stokes.

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.**

OAKS-IN-CHARNOOD, Leics.—Church of St. James-the-Apostle.

On Wed., May 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being an extent each of Single Oxford, Kent T.B. and Oxford T.B. and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in G sharp.

WILLIAM H. CURSON .. Treble	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. 4
RICHARD J. CLIFTON .. 2	JOHN K. SMITH .. 5
GEORGE A. ROOBOTTOM .. 3	DEREK P. JONES .. Tenor

Conducted by DEREK P. JONES

850th peal as conductor.

A compliment to Mrs. I. M. Jones, mother of the conductor, on her 62nd birthday.

CHURCH GRESLEY, Derbyshire.—Church of SS. George and Mary.

On Fri., June 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 42 six-sores in eight methods: nine extents each of Plain Bob and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and four each of Kennington, South-repps, Old, St. Columb, April Day and Clifford's Pleasure

DAVID PERRY .. Treble	WILLIAM H. CURSON .. 3
*J. ALAN BALL .. 2	*JOSEPH W. COTTON .. 4

†DEREK P. JONES .. Tenor

Conducted by DEREK P. JONES. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lb. in G.

\* First peal 'inside.' † 975th peal. ‡ 625th peal on tower bells.

Rung in honour of the late Harold Benjamin Robinson, benefactor of this tower; also a birthday compliment to Mr. David Eames.

SWEPSTONE, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Wed., July 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being an extent each of St. Clement's Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B., and three of Plain Bob.

EDWIN DEAKIN .. Treble	IAN J. FRASER .. 4
DEREK P. JONES .. 2	JOSEPH W. COTTON .. 5
ARTHUR E. ROWLEY .. 3	R. KINGSLEY MASON .. Tenor

Conducted by DEREK P. JONES. Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb. in G.

Rung for the Patronal Festival.

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

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

On Sun., June 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being extents of Cambridge Surprise, Norwich Surprise, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.

WILLIAM CLOVER .. Treble	MARTIN CUBITT .. 4
HENRY TOOKE .. 2	THOMAS SPIGHT .. 5
DAVID CUBITT .. 3	PETER ADCOCK .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER ADCOCK.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam Albert Everitt, for two years a ringer at this church, having learnt to ring at the age of 76.

**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

COSGROVE, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven extents in 14 methods, viz.: (1) Norfolk and Primrose, (2) Surfleet, Beverley, Cambridge, Hexham, Berwick and Primrose, (3) Chester and Munden, (4) Cambridge and Ipswich, (5) York and Durham, (6) London and Wells, (7) Beverley and Surfleet; with 66 changes of method. Tenor 10½ cwt.

GEORGE F. ROOME .. Treble	ALAN A. PAUL .. 4
*WILLIAM J. CHESTER .. 2	CHARLES E. TRUMAN .. 5
ROGER W. SMITH .. 3	GRAHAM C. PAUL .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES E. TRUMAN.

\* 200th peal, and first of Spliced Surprise Minor.

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## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

GRANBY, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Tues., June 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb.

*DIANE BARKER .. .. Treble	G. RAYMOND LARKIN .. 4
*JANE DOWSE .. .. 2	GEORGE A. DAWSON .. 5
RUTH BLACKSHAW .. .. 3	MAURICE W. HARRISON .. Tenor

Conducted by MAURICE W. HARRISON.

\* First peal of Minor. † First of Minor 'inside.' First of Minor as conductor.

ELSTON, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., July 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being two extents each of St. Martin's, St. Paul's, St. Leonard's, St. Simon's, St. Albans, Eynsham and three extents each of Southrepps, Rev. Canterbury Pleasure, Clifford's Pleasure, Plain Bob, Kennington, April Day, Rev. St. Bartholomew, Northrepps, All Saints and Grand-sire.

Tenor 9 cwt. 20 lb. in G sharp.

*RUTH BLACKSHAW .. .. Treble	*MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 4
†MARGARET E. CHILTON .. 2	†F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER .. 5
WILLIAM L. EXTON .. .. 3	†CHARLES J. COPP .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM L. EXTON.

\* 25th peal this year. † First in 16 methods.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

IPSWICH, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Matthew.

On Wed., July 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Oxford Bob, Double Oxford, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt. in F sharp.

MARGARET E. EGGLESTONE Treble	HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE 4
GEORGE E. SYMONDS .. .. 2	ALFRED E. HONEYWOOD .. 5
ROBERT E. LESTER .. .. 3	ALAN R. BRIDGES .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HOWARD W. EGGLESTONE.

## THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

NEWTOWN, Montgomeryshire.—At the Church of St. David.

On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 7 cwt. in B.

KATHLEEN M. WATKINS Treble	RICHARD T. SMITH .. .. 4
*ELIZABETH J. WATKINS .. 2	J. ARTHUR HOARE .. .. 5
HAZEL WAY .. .. 3	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

\* First peal on an 'inside' bell.

NEW RADNOR, Radnorshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sun., June 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb. in B flat.

*RICHARD T. SMITH .. .. Treble	*EDMUND J. MORRIS .. .. 4
J. ARTHUR HOARE .. .. 2	*LESLIE EVANS .. .. 5
*KATHLEEN M. WATKINS .. 3	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

\* First peal in the method.

Rung for the reopening of the church after renovation and restoration.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

BINSTED, Hampshire.—At the Church of the Holy Cross.

On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In five methods, being two extents St. Martin's Bob, ten each Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, Grand-sire, St. Simon's Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

*NIGEL J. LAMBERT .. .. Treble	RAMON A. STONE .. .. 4
BETTY J. DAYSH .. .. 2	CHARLES E. BASSETT .. 5
DEREK J. WHITE .. .. 3	*PETER GODMAN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES E. BASSETT.

\* First peal. First of Doubles on the bells.

Rung in memoriam Frederick W. Rogers.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

CHAPEL ALLERTON (Leeds), Yorks.—At the Church of St. Matthew.

On Thurs., June 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents.

Tenor 7 cwt.

LEONARD GOODALL .. .. Treble	J. HENRY FIELDEN .. .. 4
ROGER J. LUMLEY .. .. 2	BARRY SULLIVAN .. .. 5
*A. WILLIAM KIRKBY .. .. 3	H. DAVID HOLLAND .. .. Tenor

Conducted by LEONARD GOODALL.

\* First peal of Surprise 'inside.'

## NON-ASSOCIATION PEAL

MADELEY, Staffordshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., June 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven differently-called extents.

Tenor 10 cwt. 26 lb. in F.

MICHAEL H. HODGKINSON Treble	CHRISTOPHER P. RICE .. 4
GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 2	RAYMOND J. BALLARD .. 5
ANDREW J. JOBSON .. .. 3	PHILIP GAY .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY DAVIES.

A 21st birthday compliment to Philip Gay.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

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

On Tues., June 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 9 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

*DEREK A. ASHTON .. .. 1—2	ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. 5—6
NEIL BENNETT .. .. 3—4	FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. 7—8

Arranged from PRITCHARD'S.

Conducted by ROBERT B. SMITH.

\* First peal 'in hand' away from tenors.

A 21st birthday compliment to William H. Dowse, of Marple.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ST. ALBANS, Hertfordshire.—At 28, Jennings Road.

On Thurs., June 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 13 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5248 KENT AND OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Rung with 6ths place bobs.

Tenor size 15 in C.

GERALD PENNEY .. .. 1—2	HADLEY HUNTER .. .. 5—6
JULIA A. FELLOWS .. .. 3—4	KENNETH J. DARVILL .. 7—8

Composed and Conducted by HADLEY HUNTER.

WHEATHAMPSTEAD, Hertfordshire.—At Wayside Cottage.

On Fri., June 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 10 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

SHEILA BROWN .. .. 1—2	GERALD PENNEY .. .. 5—6
JULIA A. FELLOWS .. .. 3—4	ROGER D. R. BROWN .. 7—8

Composed by J. E. BURTON.

Conducted by ROGER D. R. BROWN.

First peal as conductor.

BUSHEY, Hertfordshire.—At 5, Moat Close.

On Fri., July 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 19 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, comprising 2,240 London, 1,728 Bristol and 576 each of Cambridge and Superlative; with 116 changes of method.

Tenor size 13 in E.

S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN 1—2	ROGER BALDWIN .. .. 5—6
JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 3—4	*GERALD PENNEY .. .. 7—8

Composed by ALBERT J. PITMAN.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of Surprise Major on handbells.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

LEICESTER.—At The Wayside, 150, Narborough Road South.

On Tues., June 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 10 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, comprising 2,880 London, 800 Bristol, 864 Cambridge and 576 Superlative.

Tenor size 15 in C.

JOHN A. ACRES .. .. 1—2	JOHN M. JELLEY .. .. 5—6
PETER J. STANFORTH .. .. 3—4	ALFRED BALLARD .. .. 7—8

Composed by A. J. PITMAN.

Conducted by PETER J. STANFORTH.

First peal of Spliced Standard 4 Surprise on handbells by all the band, and on handbells for the Guild.

With congratulations to the band who rang 18 Spliced Surprise Major on handbells, and to Chris. W. Woolley, being the first to ring 100 peals of Surprise on handbells.

## THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

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SWANSEA—Mor Awelon, Lon Derw, Tycloch.

On Fri., June 19, 1964, in 1 Hour and 47 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being extents of Oxford Bob, St. Clement's College Bob, Reverse Plain Bob, Canterbury Pleasure Bob, Fulbeck Bob, Double Plain Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor size 14 in D.

HAZEL WAY .. .. 1—2	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE (Cond.) 3—4
J. ARTHUR HOARE .. .. 5—6	

First peal in seven Minor methods on handbells by all. First of seven Minor for the Guild.

On Sun., June 21, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5160 ST. EDMUND SLOW COURSE DOUBLES

Being 43 extents.

Tenor size 14 in D.

HAZEL WAY .. .. 1—2	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE (Cond.) 3—4
J. ARTHUR HOARE .. .. 5—6	

First peal in the method.

On Sun., June 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 18 in G.

*HAZEL WAY .. .. 1—2	*J. ARTHUR HOARE .. .. 5—6
†BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 3—4	*EDMUND J. MORRIS .. 7—8

Composed and Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

\* First peal in the method. † First of Little Bob on handbells. First of Little Bob Major for the Guild.

On Mon., June 22, 1964, in 1 Hour and 47 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN SLOW COURSE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents.

Tenor size 14 in D.

HAZEL WAY .. .. 1—2	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE (Cond.) 3—4
J. ARTHUR HOARE .. .. 5—6	

First peal in the method on handbells.

On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5152 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 18 in G.

HAZEL WAY .. .. 1—2	J. ARTHUR HOARE .. .. 5—6
*BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 3—4	EDMUND J. MORRIS .. 7—8

Composed and Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

\* 100th peal on handbells.



# QUARTER PEALS

**HALF PEAL.**  
**STOCKTON-ON-THE-Forest, N. YORKS.**—On June 20th, 4,176 Minimus (nine methods): 1. Johnson 1, R. Aldington 2, E. P. King 3, M. King (cond.) 4. A peal attempt brought round. Longest length for 1 and 2, and of Minimus for all.

**ABERDARE, GLAM.**—On June 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Evans (first quarter) 1, Geoffrey Kerley 2, P. Jones 3, J. Clatworthy 4, George Kerley (cond.) 5, Desmond Kerley 6, L. Scott 8. Rung to celebrate the 775th anniversary of the Parish Church of St. John the Baptist. Also on June 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Evans (first on eight bells) 1, George Kerley 2, Desmond Kerley 3, J. Clatworthy 4, P. Jones 5, Geoffrey Kerley 6, David Kerley (cond.) 7, L. Scott 8.

**ASTON, BIRMINGHAM.**—On July 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: W. J. Pettigrew (first quarter) 1, A. R. Inman (first of Minor) 2, A. S. Burbridge 3, M. G. Ingram 4, R. C. Ingram 5, D. R. Ingram (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**BARNBY-IN-THE-WILLOWS, NOTTS.**—On July 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. A. Dawson 1, C. R. Larkin 2, D. D. Parsons 3, C. A. Parsons 4, J. R. Pratchett 5, R. H. Rogers (cond.) 6.

**BENTLEY, YORKS.**—On June 14th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Mrs. E. Anderson 1, Miss P. Leigh 2, Mrs. E. Wylie 3, A. Mullinger 4, J. Whitham (cond.) 5. For Evensong. The above performance was repeated by the same band on June 19th for Confirmation. Also on June 28th, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): Miss W. Anderson 1, Miss P. Leigh 2, Mrs. E. Wylie 3, J. Whitham 4, R. J. Anderson (cond.) 5.

**BIRCHINGTON, KENT.**—At Waterloo Tower, Quex Park, on July 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. E. Davies (first of Minor) 1, M. Ostler (first 'inside') 2, G. G. Firman 3, D. L. Cawley 4, C. W. J. Beeching 5, F. C. W. Knight (cond.) 6. Rung on the back six after a peal failure on the middle six.

**BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.**—At the Church of St. Peter, on June 29th, 1,296 Grandsire Caters: Stella Rice 1, Peggy E. Taylor 2, Frances P. Gilbert (first 'inside') 3, B. J. Stone (first of Caters as cond.) 4, R. I. Vaughan 5, N. Wright 6, J. R. Norris 7, H. W. Clark 8, A. W. Bond 9, D. P. Snowsell 10. First of Caters 1 and 6. For Patronal Festival Evensong.

**CASIOR, PETERBOROUGH.**—On June 28th, 1,260 Bob Doubles: Margaret Hill 1, G. Davies 2, A. Foster 3, G. Oliver 4, F. Simey (cond.) 5. For Morning Prayer, and as a compliment to G. Oliver, on his engagement.

**CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.**—On July 2nd, 1,280 Bristol Surprise Major: Rhoda Housden 1, Patricia Laycock 2, Pamela Gough 3, Jessie Kippin 4, Elizabeth Stevinson 5, F. W. Housden 6, C. H. Kippin 7, R. C. Kippin (cond.) 8.

**CHOLSEY, BERKS.**—1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Hill-Baldwin (first quarter) 1, Felicity Webber 2, J. Money (first in the method) 3, T. W. Palmer 4, G. K. Cook (first in the method) 5, F. M. Lewis (cond.) 6. To celebrate the birth of a grandson to ringers of treble.

**CHURCH GRESLEY, DERBYS.**—On May 10th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury, April Day, Kennington, Clifford's Pleasure, St. Columb, Southtrepps, Old): D. Perry 1, J. A. Ball 2, D. P. Jones (cond.) 3, D. Eames 4, E. Deakin 5. For Evensong. First in eight methods by local band. Also on May 11th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury, April Day, Clifford's Pleasure, St. Columb): D. Perry 1, J. A. Ball 2, D. Eames 3, E. Deakin 4, D. P. Jones (cond.) 5. Rung half-muffled prior to the funeral of Harold B. Robinson, through whose generosity this tower was restored.

**FARNHAM, SURREY.**—On July 5th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor (with tenor cover): L. Balchin 1, Mrs. M. Turner 2, Miss A. Sweeney 3, S. Meadows 4, R. North 5, C. W. Denyer (cond.) 6, P. E. Oliver 8. For Evensong, and a birthday compliment to the tenor ringer.

**FELKIRK, BARNESLEY.**—On June 27th, 1,440 Minor (TB4, 1, 5, 6; TB14, 13, 15, 3D12): Elizabeth Peace 1, H. Chant 2, R. Pagdin 3, H. Rusby 4, T. Tarbutt 5, N. Moxon (cond.) 6. Patronal Festival of St. Peter. Methods numbered according to Minor Collection.

**FENHAM, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.**—On June 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. E. Errington 1, Miss M. Prophet 2, Mrs. R. W. Smith 3, G. Hall (first quarter 'inside') 4, G. P. Cairns 5, K. Arthur (cond.) 6, P. Reavely (covering) 8. Rung to celebrate the engagement of the ringers of 2 and 4. At Evensong.

**GOSFORTH, NORTHUMBERLAND.**—On July 5th, 1,260 Doubles (ten methods): Pat Cockburn 1, Joan Walker 2, Gillian Douglas 3, A. G. Craddock (cond.) 4, W. G. Hedley 5, J. Bell 6. Most methods by all the band. For Evensong.

**HEAVITREE, EXETER.**—On June 20th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: Mrs. P. J. Wright 1, Mrs. D. A. Bould 2, Ann Fellows 3, C. Reeves 4, M. Lock 5, R. A. Southwood 6, D. R. Bould 7, N. Mallett (cond.) 8. First in the method 2 and 7.

**HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS.**—On June 25th, 1,260 Cambridge Surprise, Plain Bob Minor: H. Levens 1, G. E. Bonham 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, G. W. Massey 4, C. L. Bell 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For the opening of the Floral Festival. Also on June 28th, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: H. Levens 1, G. E. Bonham 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, A. J. Davey 4, C. L. Bell 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. Rung before the Final Evensong of the Floral Festival.

**HEMINGTON, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Ernest Penney 1, Jennifer Durston 2, Mary Gould (cond.) 3, H. Hawkins 4, R. Hawkins 5, E. Green 6. First quarter 1 and 6. Also on March 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Sandra Weaver 1, Jennifer Durston 2, Mary Gould 3, P. Gould 4, R. Hawkins 5, R. Weaver 6. Rung muffled in memory of Mr. W. Weaver, former ringer, father and grandfather of tenor and treble. Also on Easter Day, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Ernest Penney 1, Sandra Weaver (first 'inside') 2, R. Hawkins 3, Edw. Penney (first 'inside') 4, J. Durston 5, R. Weaver 6. Conducted jointly 5 and 6 (first attempt).

**HIGHAM-ON-THE-HILL, LEICS.**—On June 29th, 1,259 Grandsire Doubles: D. A. Green 1, M. A. Caldecote 2, Rev. E. L. Fisher 3, I. S. Merry (cond.) 4, K. P. Gilliver 5, J. L. Merry 6. Rung on St. Peter's Day, for the Patronal Festival.

**HIGH EASTER, ESSEX.**—On June 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: W. H. Alely (cond.) 1, L. Cordell 2, S. Clark 3, R. Walke, (first of Minor) 4, J. Alely 5, E. Rochester 6. For the Flower Festival.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On June 21st, 1,320 Doubles (five methods): J. Dawse 1, M. W. Harrison 2, R. Blackshaw (cond.) 3, C. R. Larkin 4, J. Heaps 5. For Evensong, also to congratulate Elizabeth Ann Tye and Norman Evans, married at St. Giles', West Bridgford, on June 20th.

**HORSELL, SURREY.**—On June 19th, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury, Plain Bob and Grandsire): S. Crouch 1, Joyce Drury 2, G. Oliver 3, J. Bills 4, J. Martin (cond.) 5, P. Privett 6. A farewell quarter for Mr. J. Martin, who is leaving for Temora, N.S.W.

**HURSTPIERPONT, SUSSEX.**—On June 28th, 1,260 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob Doubles: R. J. Trier 1, N. J. Wright 2, J. R. Norris 3, S. W. Brown (cond.) 4, A. M. Humphrey 5, R. H. Tribb 6. First quarter in the method 1 and 2. Rung in honour of Jennifer Rosemary, born on June 11th, 1964, daughter of Rosemary and Stanley Brown, both ringers at this church.

**KINGSWINFORD, STAFFS.**—On July 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. D. Morgan 1, A. E. Morgan 2, J. Caddick 3, A. Fasey 4, F. Nicholls 5, C. Skidmore 6, C. F. Jukes (cond.) 7, S. Mallin 8. For the Patronal Festival, and also for the week of music and drama.

**KIRK ELLA, EAST YORKS.**—On June 21st, 1,440 Norwich Surprise Minor: A. B. Cooper 1, H. C. Palmer 2, G. K. Smith 3, K. Goldthorpe 4, I. G. Campbell 5, F. C. Hobson (cond.) 6. First in the method for 2, 3 and 4. For Evensong.

**LILLESALL, SALOP.**—On July 1st, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: G. Hemming 1, Mrs. E. M. Key 2, C. Allen 3, B. G. Key (cond.) 4, R. E. Morris 5, J. Cranmer 6. A farewell compliment to C. Allen.

**LITTLE ASTON, STAFFS.**—On June 29th, 1,440 Surprise Minor (Bourne and London): M. W. Fairey (cond.) 1, R. G. Paxton 2, Miss D. K. Moore 3, D. W. Barr 4, P. G. Godder 5, E. W. Colley 6. Rung for the Patronal Festival.

**MARSTON, OXON.**—On June 28th, 1,259 Doubles (nine methods): N. D. Deam 1, R. H. Jones 2, G. L. Belcher 3, P. Caltermole (cond.) 4, A. Gammon 5. Rung for the Patronal Festival, and as a farewell to the conductor.

**MERRIOTT, SOMERSET.**—On June 22nd, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Grandsire and Plain Bob): S. Turner 1, P. Haggett 2, H. Turner 3, A. Best 4, A. Robinson (first in three methods as cond.) 5, S. Willis 6. A compliment to Mrs. Annie Willis, on her 90 birthday; also for the birthday of the conductor. Also on July 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Luffman (first quarter) 1, R. Boulbee 2, S. Turner 3, C. Boulbee 4, P. Gay 5, K. Pinney 6. Conducted by 3 and 5. Rung by past and present pupils of Crewkerne School for Founder's Day.

**MINEHEAD, SOMERSET.**—On July 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Purchase 1, F. Casby 2, L. Ascott 3, G. Sparkes 4, W. J. Nurcombe 5, H. W. Lloyd 6, W. A. J. Knight (cond.) 7, H. V. Young 8. Rung half-muffled in memorial Rev. W. M. K. Warren, Past Master of the Bath and Wells Association, also father of the present Master, Rev. H. F. Warren. First quarter for the conductor since his accident, August, 1963.

**MORTIMER COMMON, BERKS.**—On July 1st, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury, Plain Bob, Grandsire): A. Rumsey 1, W. Saunders 2, R. Sibley 3, D. Elliott 4, C. Osler (cond.) 5, C. Johnson 6. A 21st birthday compliment to Miss Wendy Hale.


**NAZEING, ESSEX.**—On July 5th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): I. Sams 1, K. Wood 2, C. Sams 3, W. Alely 4, B. Burton (cond.) 5, J. Sams 6. For Evensong, and an engagement compliment to Miss J. Llewelyn and Mr. J. Sams.

**NEATH, GLAM.**—On June 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Linda Williams 1, R. Hoskins 2, H. Boyce (cond.) 3, G. I. Lewis 4, J. Hughes 5, R. Powell 6. First quarter 1, 2, 5 and 6. For morning service.

**NUNBURNHOLME, E. YORKS.**—On June 20th, 1,320 Doubles (April Day, Kennington, Plain Bob): 1. Johnson 1, R. Aldington 2, E. P. King 3, Miss V. Johnson 4, M. King (cond.) 5, T. Brighton (first quarter) 6.

**OCKHAM, SURREY.**—On June 28th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Miss D. Coombe 1, May G. Mooring 2, C. Webb 3, J. King 4, B. White (cond.) 5.

**ORMESBY, YORKS.**—On June 21st, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Enid Lawson (first quarter) 1, Ann Lawson 2, Mrs. M. Lawson 3, P. Wishart 4, T. Cox 5, K. Lawson (cond.) 6. For Evensong.



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POOLE—Harold J.—Passed away July 14th, 1955. With love and gratitude we remember him.—Jill, Peter and Rosemary. 5019

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'A faithful man shall abound with blessings; but he that maketh haste to be rich shall not be innocent.' (Proverbs xxviii, 20.)

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WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL—The Wednesday practice for July 22nd will be held on Thursday, July 23rd, and not as previously announced on Tuesday, July 21st. 5008

WALTHAM ABBEY—The time of the practice on July 18th will now be 7-9 p.m. 5018

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### MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION—Glastonbury Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, July 18th. Pville (6). 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting. Names for tea must be sent to P. Hull, Dinder, Wells. 4971

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Chesterfield District.—Chesterfield Parish Church: Ringing by invitation, Saturday, July 18th, 6-7.30 p.m. as a welcome to visitors from twin-town Darnstadt. All ringing friends welcome.—Sam Scattergood, Ringing Master. 4987

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting Leverington, Saturday, July 18th. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 4993

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION—Hunts District.—Meeting at Hemingford Grey, Saturday, July 18th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Hemingford Abbots (6) available after tea. Special methods: London and Single Oxford.—M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 4990

ESSEX ASSOCIATION—N.E. District.—Meeting at Harwich on Saturday, July 18th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea. Names to Mr. W. Felgate, 25, Una Road, Parkeston, Harwich. 4968

HAWKHURST GUILD.—Annual meeting, Hawkhurst, July 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Names for tea (with remittance 3s.) to W. Gorrings, 3, Sandrock Villas, Hawkhurst, Kent. 4982

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—Kimpston, July 18th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to J. G. Cull, 5, The Green, Kimpston, Hitchin, Herts. S.M.: Carlisle.—M. A. C. 4991

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Meeting at Cheriton, Sat., July 18th (note change from previously agreed venue). Bells (8) 3. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. W. Chandler, 2, Alma Road, Cheriton, Newington bells available after tea.—C. T. H. 4934

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—Quarterly meeting, All Saints', Birchington, Saturday, July 18th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea at 2s. 6d. per person. Those requiring tea please notify Mr. H. Luck, 57, Kent Gardens, Birchington (together with cash).—T. C. P.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—Half annual meeting at St. Michael's, Ashton, on Sat., July 18th. Bells (13) at 2.30. Service 4. Free tea in Church House, 5, for those notifying Derek Marshall, 113, Mossley Road, Ashton-under-Lyne, Phone ASH 1696. Business meeting after tea. Everyone welcome.—Neil Bennett, Sec. 4946

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—West Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Brigg, Saturday, July 18th. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea for those who notify George L. A. Lunn, Crow Garth, Lea, Gainsborough. Tel. 2623. 4964

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Eastern Branch.—Meeting at Halton Halgate, Saturday, July 25th. Bells available from 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea for those who notify Hon. Sec., P. J. Kilner, 167, Eastwood Road, Boston Lines. 4995

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Meeting at Cranford on July 18th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea at 4.30, followed by business and further ringing.—F. T. B. 5012

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Marlborough Branch.—Meeting at Chisledon, Wilts, Saturday, July 18th. Names for tea to Mr. R. J. Court, Plough Hill, Chisledon, Swindon.—G. Brown, Asst. Sec. 4983

SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Jubilee Ringing Day, Saturday, July 18th. Service, Prittlewell 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names, please, to Miss J. Emms, 76, Eastwood Road North, Leigh-on-Sea. Bells: Great Wakering 2-3.30 Prittlewell 3-4.30 Leigh 6-7, Thorpe Bay 6.30-8.15, Prittlewell 8-9.15 p.m. South Benfleet and Rayleigh by arrangements for parties. Requirements to Sec., G. Eve, 30 Baxter Avenue, Southend, early, please. 4978

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.—Practice meeting at Keymer (6), Saturday, July 18th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Special method: London Minor. Names for tea, please, to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierpoint. 4984

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cary Branch.—Quarterly meeting, July 25th, Cucklington (6). Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Stoke Trister (6) after tea.—L. McCreadie, Level Lane, Charlton Horethorne, Sherborne, Dorset.

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Derby District.—Meeting at Sudbury (6), Saturday, July 25th, 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday, July 23rd, to Dis. Sec., M. A. Willis, 33, Gisborne Close, Mickleover, Derby. 5000

DEVON GUILD.—North-West Branch.—Summer meeting, Saturday, July 25th at Northam. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m., also Bideford (8) in the evening at 7 o'clock. All visitors welcome.—R. Pearce, Sec. 5014

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Chippenhams Branch.—Meeting, Marshfield, July 25th, 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea in Village Hall. Names essential to J. Edwards-Woodham, No. 1, Market Place, Marshfield, near Chippenhams.—H. Heath, Sec. 5010

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Meeting at Ottershaw on Saturday, July 25th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. approx. Names for tea by the previous Wednesday, please, to Mr. R. Pashley, 73, Hare Hill, Addlestone, Weybridge. 5013

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Lewisham District.—Quarterly meeting, St. John's, Sidcup, July 25th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss M. R. Andrews, 43, Wansunt Road, Bexley, by Wednesday, 22nd. 4692

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—Meeting at Leigh, Saturday, July 25th. Meeting 3 p.m. in the School for instruction, talk on method ringing. Bring pencils and paper. Tea 5 p.m. Bells before and after tea. Please make this a big success by your attendance.—Thornley. 4969

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Fylde Branch.—Meeting at St. Helen's Parish Church, Churchtown, Garstang, on Saturday, July 25th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. 5017

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Southern Branch.—Meeting, Quidenham, Saturday, July 25th. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, July 22nd, to Dr. P. Jonason, The White House, East Harling, Norwich. NOR 12X—C. F. W. Philippo, Hon. Sec. 4972

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Saturday, July 25th, Horton, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea by 21st, please. Slough 7-9 p.m.—Miss Hague, 6, Stompits Road, Holyport, Maidenhead. 5003

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Rutland Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Preston (6), Saturday, July 25th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to W. C. A. Clark, Middle Street, Wing. 4975

SALISBURY GUILD.—Calne Branch.—Meeting, Lyneham (6), July 25th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea, please, to F. Godwin, 83, Lyneham, Chippennam, Wilts.—W. Hacker. 5011

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Salisbury Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Downton, July 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names by Tuesday, 21st, to G. A. Trimby, 24, West Street, Wilton. 5002

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—An evening meeting will be held at Lilleshall on Saturday, July 25th. Bells (6) available 6.30 to 8.30 p.m.—E. Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec. 5009

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Central District.—Meeting at Helmingham (8) July 25th, 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea at Framsdon Village Hall 5 p.m., limited to those applying to Mr. L. Brett, Framsdon, Stowmarket, Suffolk, by July 22nd. Evening ringing at Framsdon (8). 4985

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Division.—Practice meeting at Beckley (6) and Iden (6) on July 25th. Beckley 3 till 4.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Iden 6.15 till 8 p.m. Names for tea, please, to I. Smith, Sec., 37, Wellington Gardens, Battle. 4981

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Portsmouth District.—Quarterly meeting, St. Peter's, Curridge, July 25th. Bells 3 till 8.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. in Reading Room. Names for tea to Mrs. Pritchard, 'The Burbs,' Lake Road, Curridge, by previous Wednesday, please.—L. Duguid. 5001

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Southern District) and BARNESLEY DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Joint meeting, Roston (6), August 8th. Barnesley (8) and Felkirk (6) also available. Details later.—J. J. L. Gilbert and J. W. Buxton. 5006

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Preliminary Notice.—General meeting at Ipswich, September 12th. Annual striking competition at Buxhall, September 26th (District Masters, please note). Full details later. 5005



**KIRBY-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX,  
RINGERS' SUNDAY, July 26th, 1964.**

Ringing and Services: 7.30-8 a.m.  
Holy Communion: 10-11 a.m., Matins;  
5-6.30 p.m., Evensong. Gathering in  
Church Hall after Evensong.

Other ringing can be arranged for  
parties attending, and free breakfast  
after Holy Communion, to those who  
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**COME AND JOIN US—  
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**OBITUARY****MR. ROBERT A. STRONG**

We regret to record the death of Mr. Robert A. Strong, M.B.E., of Saffron Walden, at the age of 79, in Addenbrookes Hospital, Cambridge, on June 26th, following an operation.

Mr. Strong was born at Warminster, Wilts, and came to Saffron Walden in 1904, as a pupil and teacher at the Boys' British School. He continued teaching at this school till 1932, when the Borough Council took a lease of Fry's Gardens, and he was appointed gardening instructor to local schools. He was awarded an M.B.E. in 1946 for this work.

When he arrived at Saffron Walden he could just manage Grandsire Triples. The following year he rang his first peal on the local bells, the method being Stedman Triples. Two years later he rang a peal of Cambridge Surprise Major. He became secretary of the local society in 1911, and was responsible for all the clerical work connected with augmenting the ring from eight to 12 bells in 1914 and the catering arrangements for over 200 visitors. He was very fond of 12 bell ringing and his favourite method was Stedman Cinques.

In his younger days he was a fine sportsman and played for the town football and cricket clubs.

The funeral service took place in the Parish Church on July 2nd and was attended by a large gathering of mourners. The church had been most beautifully decorated by the 'Flower Club' for the Patronal Festival, which made a fitting tribute to one who had loved flowers and worked with them most of his life. In the evening the local band rang the bells half-muffled as a tribute.

His companionship and sense of humour will be greatly missed. R.I.P. L.E.P.

**LINCOLN CATHEDRAL**

The very good weather on June 20th made the annual outing of the Cathedral ringers into Worcestershire more enjoyable. Broms-grove was reached at 12.30 and ringing was prolonged by a quarter of an hour to ring a bride into church.

Excessive traffic meant a late start at Worcester Cathedral, where as most of the party were not accustomed to such heavy bells the ringing was not of the best, but the last half course of Cambridge Maximus went well. More delay arose by parking problems as our coach was hemmed in by cars. In consequence we had to miss ringing at Great Hampton in order to be on time for tea at Evesham.

Before ringing at the Bell Tower we listened to a first class half course of Maximus by some well known ringers who had been unable to start for a peal at Tewkesbury because of a broken clapper. Our ringing was most enjoyable. The highlight of the homeward journey was a spirited altercation between two drivers after a very slight collision in the car park of a hostelry known as 'The Herald of Peace'.

Lincoln was reached at 11.30 p.m.; it was a day of happy memories. G.P.

**LATE NEWS****DOUBLE NORWICH C.B. MAJOR  
NEW RECORD**

A new record length for Double Norwich Court Bob Major was established at Llanfeigan, Breconshire, on July 11th, when a peal of 20,160 changes was rung in 11 hours 6 minutes. This was about 3,000 changes short of what was intended, due to a late start. The previous record was 17,104, rung at South Wigston, Leics, in 1904. Mr. Brian J. Woodruffe also informs us that this is the longest peal to be rung in Wales.

**QUARTER PEALS**

**PANGBOURNE, BERKS.**—On June 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. B. Robinson 1, A. J. Burt 2, Susan E. Burt 3, A. D. Smith 4, J. Harland (cond.) 5, G. Clark 6. For Evensong, the last service for the Rev. C. W. J. Harbridge as Rector.

**PENDLEBURY, LANCS.**—On June 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: T. Hobson (aged 12) 1, J. Thornley 2, H. Smethills (cond.) 3, N. Tompkins 4, A. Lomas 5, P. Crook, sen., 6, C. Cooper 7, H. Sturtard-8. A 79th birthday compliment to P. Crook, sen.; also for the 60th birthday of Mrs. Ruth Thornley, mother of the 2nd ringer.

**PUTNEY, LONDON.**—On July 5th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Julie S. Armstrong 1, Ruth Carr 2, C. F. Mew (cond.) 3, Brenda Wood 4, A. R. Millidge 5, B. J. Bull 6, B. H. Coatsworth 7, D. C. rookes 8. For Evensong.

**ROMFORD, ESSEX.**—On June 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss A. Rowland 1, Mrs. M. Poolman (first 'inside' in method) 2, F. Markham 3, D. Heath 4, E. Williams 5, W. Poolman (cond.) 6, H. Perry (cover) 7. A wedding anniversary compliment to 2 and 6.

**SEAFORD, SUSSEX.**—On June 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (1, 2 leading): Mrs. F. Henty 1, W. Henty 2, Miss S. Henty 3, Mrs. E. Osborn 4, Mrs. R. J. Osborn 5, O. Wood (cond.) 6, C. A. Osborn (first quarter) 7, J. Cole 8. To congratulate Mr. Fred Marchant on attaining his 80th birthday and 65 years a ringer.

**SOLIHULL, WARWICKS.**—On July 5th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: W. Leason 1, Christine McLaren (first of Caters) 2, C. Dale 3, Muriel Reay 4, W. Rigg 5, T. J. Warner (cond.) 6, G. E. Fearn 7, R. J. Cann 8, C. W. Bragg 9, A. Crabtree 10. A compliment to Christine McLaren, for her 21st birthday.

**SOUTH CERNEY, GLOS.**—On June 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: P. Wakefield 1 and 2, P. Cooke 3, R. Wakefield 4, B. Wakefield (cond.) 5, M. Cooke 6.

**SPROTBOROUGH, YORKS.**—On July 5th, 1,296 Little Bob Major: Janet Staveley 1, H. Scott 2, E. Dalingwater 3, E. Short 4, J. McCluskey 5, H. Wagstaff 6, R. V. Clarke 7, W. E. Critchley (cond.) 8.

**STINCHCOMBE, GLOS.**—On June 20th, 1,260 Minor (two methods): A. Bennett 1, A. Howard 2, H. Evans (cond.) 3, A. J. Tubb 4, A. Gibbs 5, H. Taysom 6.

**STRATTON, CORNWALL.**—On June 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. Sanzwin (cond.) 1, Miss M. E. Brown 2, E. Nunn 3, Miss W. M. Elliott 4, M. J. Pryor 5, H. Stacey 6, J. Sanzwin 7, J. Holford 8.

**STURRY, KENT.**—On July 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Nita Bailey 1, P. Harrison 2, R. C. Butten (joint cond.) 3, M. Harrison 4, F. File (joint cond.) 5, A. Pullin 6. First quarter for all except ringer of 5. To congratulate F. File, who trained the band single handed in exactly one year.

**TENDRING, ESSEX.**—On June 21st, 1,260 Minor ( Ipswich, Cambridge, Plain): E. E. Davey 1, A. E. Pryke 2, A. G. Butten 3, F. A. Harvey 4, P. W. Mills 5, A. R. Andrews (cond.) 6. For the civic service.

**WALDRON, ESSEX.**—On June 6th, 1,280 Grandsire Major: J. M. Swift 1, Valerie Mephram 2, Christine Fuller 3, T. M. Barlow 4, K. G. Game 5, I. V. J. Smith (cond.) 6, A. R. Baldock 7, C. B. Dove 8. First of Grandsire Major for 1, 5 and 8. After an unsuccessful peal attempt.

**WARNHAM, SUSSEX.**—On June 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. C. M. Godfrey 1, Miss D. M. Mulling 2, C. M. Godfrey 3, P. R. Miles 4, I. Davey 5, D. D. Smith 6, G. Francis (cond.) 7, Miss I. Gocher 8. First in method 1, 5 and 6. First on eight bells 3 and 4.

**WESTON FAVELL, NORTHANTS.**—On June 29th, 1,320 St. Peter's Doubles: Miss G. A. Ashby 1, R. Russell 2, Miss J. A. Downing 3, P. Amos 4, G. F. Rome (cond.) 5. For the Patronal Festival, and a farewell to the Rev. Gilbert Craib, curate.

**WHICKHAM, CO. DURHAM.**—On June 15th, 1,296 Surprise Minor (Beverley and Cambridge): W. Davidson 1, Miss G. Douglas 2, S. Thompson 3, J. Crowther 4, F. Ross 5, M. Maughan (cond.) 6. Also on June 22nd, 1,296 Surprise Minor (Suffert and Cambridge): W. Davidson 1, S. Thompson 2, J. Crowther 3, Miss G. Douglas 4, M. Maughan (cond.) 5, F. Ross 6.

**WHITCHURCH CANONICORUM, DORSET.**—On July 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. A. Knight 1, H. Arscott 2, Mrs. C. W. Powell 3, C. W. Powell (cond.) 4, H. G. Keeley 5, A. Knight 6, F. G. Knight 7, M. Arscott 8. First of Grandsire Triples 1 and 6. A compliment to the Bishop of Salisbury, on his visit to the parish.

**TONBRIDGE RINGERS' SERVICE**

Evening Prayer on June 28th at Tonbridge Parish Church was given to the ringers for their annual service.

Ringing on the eight bells preceded the service, which was conducted by the Rev. C. F. M. Boddington, who will shortly be leaving for St. Leonards-on-Sea.

After the Third Collect a course of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells by Miss M. A. Ladd 1-2, Mrs. F. I. Hairs 3-4, W. H. Dobbie 5-6, Mrs. S. M. Dobbie 7-8, and at the end of the service a course of Grandsire Caters was rung as a Voluntary by Miss M. A. Ladd 1-2, Mrs. F. I. Hairs 3-4, W. Rogers 5-6, W. H. Dobbie 7-8, Mrs. S. M. Dobbie 9-10.

About fifty members of the congregation accepted the invitation of the ringers to visit the tower and watch the ringing in progress. One or two even ventured to try their hand under guidance from Mr. Dobbie and it is hoped that seeds have been sown for recruits.

Supper was then enjoyed by the ringers in the Vicarage by kind invitation of the Vicar, Canon T. F. C. Bewes, and Mrs. Bewes.

**A DEVON COAST OUTING**

For the benefit of a small number of visitors on holiday, another successful half-day outing was held on the South Devon coast on July 1st. At Kenton, a fair going six with long draught and upstairs ringing room, two good six scores of Grandsire Doubles were rung. The next tower was Powderham, a ground-floor six in splendid going order, where Grandsire, Stedman and Plain Bob were rung followed by a 'superb' lower. Ide proved to have another ground-floor light six. After tea at the Peamore Garage Cafe, Kenn (another good six rung from upstairs) was visited and a local ringer joined in some well-struck call changes. A. L. B.

**HALIFAX ARCHDEACONRY**

A broken clapper in the ninth bell limited the ringing at the Association meeting at Marsden on July 4th, but a programme which included Cambridge, Double Norwich, Stedman and Stedman Doubles was enjoyed.

A halt was made at 4.30 p.m. for a short service, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. E. L. Facey), with Mr. V. Nutton as organist. Mr. R. Shaw and his band of youthful ringers provided a good tea. The Vicar was an entertaining chairman for the business meeting, and we were pleased to have with us visitors from Darlington and the Wakefield area. W.M.

**SUFFOLK GUILD**

The quarterly meeting of the S.E. District was held at Oton on June 6th. About 50 members were present, including a number of beginners. An excellent tea was provided. Often bells were kept going with methods from Plain Bob to Surprise. Barking bells were available after tea.

Next meeting: Ufford, September 5th.

**Gratefully Acknowledged**

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**HAGBOURNE, BERKS.**—On July 2nd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. White 1, Miss P. E. Hibbert 2, H. L. Bishop 3, L. F. Cox 4, C. J. Garlick 5, M. Bishop 6, J. M. Napper (cond.) 7, E. O. Sawyer 8. For Confirmation by Bishop of Oxford.



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## 5,088 DARLINGTON SURPRISE MAJOR

By D. KNOX  
23456 B W M H

42635	—	—
64523	—	—
35426	—	—
34256	—	2
24653	—	—
45236	X	—
45362	X	—
23564	—	—

Twice repeated.

Rung at Horsham on April 18th, 1964.

## 5,120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

(14 methods)

By J. R. MAYNE

23456 M W H Methods

52436	—	—	Lon.Linc.Wem.
34625	—	—	R.P.R.
23645	—	—	Wem.Y.B.
54632	—	—	B.B.Y.Lon.
65432	—	—	Lind.P.Lind
43652	—	—	Elf.S.Z.
36452	2	—	Z.C.East.B.
53462	—	—	East.C.Elf.
46532	—	—	Eal.Linc.Wat.
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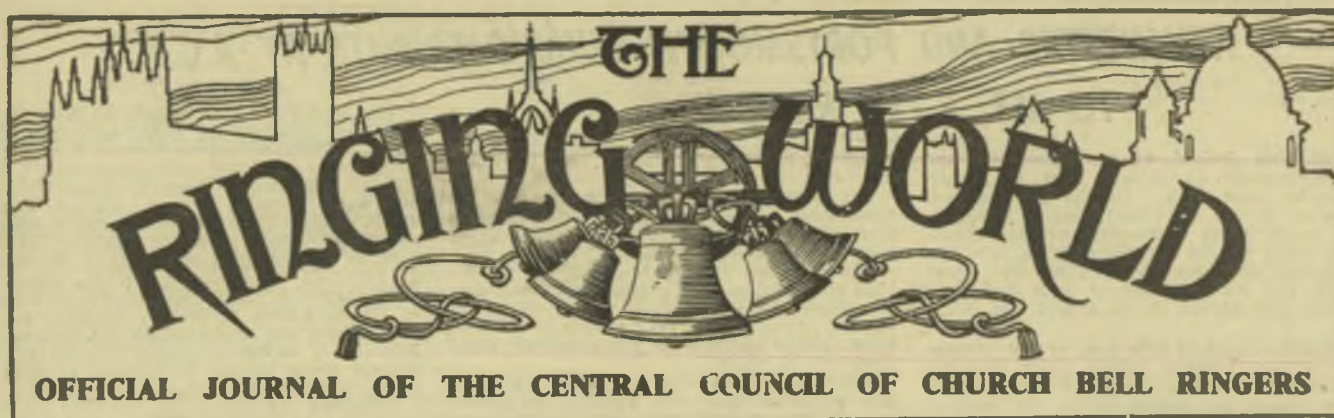
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## A GENTLEMAN RINGER

By CYRIL A. WRATTEN

RECENTLY a slim, black-covered notebook came into my safe-keeping. Inside its cover were written a name and date: 'G. H. Phillott, Jan. 1872.'

George Henry Phillott was born in 1852, the son of the Rev. W. H. Phillott, and spent his early years in Staunton-on-Wye, Herefordshire. In 1871 he went up to Christ Church, Oxford, and in the following January he began to learn change-ringing. The notebook he started at this time covers a period of 16 years, and contains details of his ringing up to June, 1888.

It does not disclose where he learnt to handle a bell; the first entry is dated February 6th and runs:

'Several peals of Grandsire Doubles at Horspath. First time of going out to ring—J. E. Troyte, R. H. D. Troyte, Gardiner, W. H. Poole, H. du B. Hill, Bampfylde (and) G. H. Phillott, tenor.'

Gardiner I cannot identify further, and his name appears only once more in the notebook, but the others were all members of the University. The two Troytes were the brothers of the well known C. A. W. Troyte, who had written his 'Change Ringing' three years previously, and Phillott's association with the family, formed at this time, was to stay firm for many years. Together with C. C. Knollys, who was at Magdalen, this band rang regularly together at various towers in and around Oxford during the months that followed. About the same time they founded the Oxford University Society, 'not so much with a view to bringing the art to any pitch of excellence among undergraduates, which would be almost impossible owing to their short and intermittent stay in Oxford, as to promoting among them such a love for a knowledge of change-ringing as would enable them, when scattered throughout the land at the end of their University career, to spread the art and make it more universally known and appreciated.'

Beneath a manuscript date of June 5th, 1872, there is pasted a cutting that reads:

'Oxford University Society of Change Ringers.—The above Society had a very successful meeting at Appleton last week, where some long touches of Grandsire Triples were rung. The ringers were as follows: Treble, C. C. Knollys, Magdalen; 2, G. H. Phillott, Christ Church; 3, F. G. Bampfylde, Magdalen; 4, R. H. D. Troyte, Trinity; 5, A. du B. Hill, Magdalen; 6, W. H. Poole, Magdalen; 7, J. E. Troyte, Christ Church; tenor, A. W. A. Pollcock, Brasenose; conducted by J. E. Troyte.'

Phillott's comment was: 'Supposed to be 1st touch of Triples rung entirely by Gentlemen.'

The next report of interest is dated February 20th (1873), and runs:

'St Thomas 360 Grandsire Minor. Phillott treble, Pridden 2, Hill 3, Bampfylde 4, J. E. Troyte 5, Poole 6. First touch of Minor rung by Society.'

Eleven days earlier virtually the same band had rung a 720 of Grandsire Minor on handbells, single-handed, but as this was apparently for practice it evidently did not count as a 'first.'

The notebook goes on to record more ringing at Drayton, Appleton, and St. Thomas', Oxford, and for May 1st there is an entry: 'A short touch of Triples at 5.15 a.m. at Magd.' The band was a mixed one, with Phillott, Hill and Poole of the University Society, and the rest (Field, Mills, Rogers, Bayliss and Charles Hounslow) from the Oxford Society, which, to judge from contemporary accounts in 'Church Bells,' was flourishing at this period.

From then until he took his B.A. in December, 1874, Phillott seems to have rung with two bands—the University men he had learnt his ringing with and the mixed band we first hear of at Magdalen on May 1st. The ringing was mainly Grandsire Triples and an occasional course of Stedman. In June, 1873, they apparently had an outing to Worcester, and at the Cathedral rang 'a touch of Triples 330, with also some rounds on the ten bells with the Revds. H. T. Ellacombe and Cattle; the Rev. H. T. Ellacombe ringing treble.' The Rev. Ellacombe has left his name to posterity through his chiming apparatus, but Canon Cattle also did much for ringing. He was an old Oxford man, and was largely responsible for the augmentation of Worcester Cathedral bells to twelve, and was also instrumental in procuring for St. Paul's their 62 cwt. tenor.

The following year on December 19th, having taken his degree and appearing proudly in the report cutting as 'G. H. Phillott, Esq., B.A.' he rang the treble at Kirtlington, Oxon, to his first peal, Holt's Original, conducted by J. Field; for practice the same band had earlier rung a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples at Witney. His comment about peal was: 'My first peal; true; deep snow.'

In June, 1875, George Phillott came down from Oxford and moved to Cheltenham, where he was to live for the rest of his life. He seems to have done little ringing of particular interest that year, for the next entry is a report of 5,364 Grandsire Caters at Appleton on March 4th, 1876, conducted by F. White. There followed Holt's Original at St. Mary's, Cheltenham, on July 21st, when he got his old friends Field and Hounslow to join him from Oxford, and on the 29th he went to London and at Bethnal Green rang his first peal of Stedman Triples with the College Youths—and what a band it was: Greenleaf, Matthew Wood, Mash, Muskett, Horrex, with Cooter conducting.

Appleton was, it seems, a great love of his, and he often went there for the Ringing Day. In 1877 he stood in a 5,079 of Stedman Caters, conducted by the Rev. F. E. Robinson; the ringers of the treble and second in this peal, F. S. White and E. Holifield, were claimed to be 'the youngest ringers of Stedman Caters on record, being respectively of the age of 14 and 15 years.' In 1880 an almost identical band rang 6,264 Stedman Caters there, 'a first clap peal and perfectly true.' George Phillott and the Rev. F. E. Robinson had already rung the same peal once, with the College Youths at St. Clement Danes' in the previous December, after an earlier attempt for the peal at St. Clement's in the July of 1879 had broken down after more than 6,000 changes had been rung. In 1882 they rang two peals over the week-end—the usual Stedman Caters on March 3rd, and then a peal of Grandsire Triples on the back eight three days later. In 1884 they rang 5,035 Stedman Caters, but 1886 was not so lucky.

'Appleton, 4th of March, 1886. No ringing owing to illness of Mr. J. Wearing's children close to church. Also no dinner! What a 4th of March!! The bells were first rung, a peal of 68 years ago, and such a 4th of March has up to the present year never been known—no ringing!! and no dinner!!'

It is perhaps little surprise that Mr. Wearing's children were ill, for he goes on to write:

'Boys sliding in morning on pool at Appleton on 4 March '86—winter ever since Dec. 1885. No sign of alteration at present. Snow still remaining in the drifts everywhere here in Chelt. and elsewhere. Trains arrived up in the North on 2d and 3d of March, starting in Chelt. on March (presumably February was meant) 13, 15 and 17.'

To be continued



## WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD'S TRIBUTE AT A.G.M. TO MR. F. W. ROGERS

THE 1964 A.G.M. of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild was held at Basingstoke on June 27th. Despite the repeated warnings of our old friend, George Pullinger, that much more favourable weather conditions occur on the first Saturday in July (the traditional date for the A.G.M. for many years), the last Saturday in June had been chosen, and proved to be a fine and warm day.

Ringling started at 9.30 a.m. at the extreme ends of two separate routes which converge at Basingstoke, thus giving a choice of a dozen or so towers for ringing before the business of the general meeting, scheduled for 2.30 p.m.

The meeting, held in St. Michael's Church Cottage, was opened by the chairman, Canon K. W. H. Felstead, Master of the Guild, with a welcome to the 70 members and visitors present. The Master's welcome was necessarily tempered with a degree of sadness by the recent death of the Guild's Immediate Past Master, Mr. Frederick W. Rogers. The Master asked one of our oldest, long-serving members, Mr. George Pullinger, to say a few words in appreciation of all the valuable and loving service which Fred Rogers had given to the Guild and ringing over many years.

### MR. PULLINGER'S TRIBUTE

Mr. Pullinger expressed his deep regret at the passing of one of the Guild's most faithful and devoted servants over so many years. Born in 1902, Fred Rogers was a choirboy at St. Mary's, Portsea, and used to sit up in the tower watching the Sunday service ringing. With him were the two sons of the tower captain, Mr. E. J. Harding, and as soon as the three boys were big enough Mr. Harding taught them to ring. Fred made rapid progress, ringing his first peal, Grand-sire Triples, at the Church of St. Thomas à Becket, conducted by Frederick A. Burnett, in June, 1919. Fred soon attracted the attention of such well-known conductors of that day as George Williams, Keith Hart and A. H. Pulling, and was soon a regular member of their Surprise peal bands.

In the early 1920's, Mr. Harding retired from the post of Portsmouth District secretary of the old Winchester Guild and Fred was elected in his place. Thus started what proved to be a period of over 40 years' continuous service to the Winchester, and later the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild, in many and varied offices.

Later as captain of the St. Mary's, Portsea, band, Fred built up a very fine record with one of the finest Sunday service bands in the country. Many ringers rang their first peal under his conductorship, and the Spliced Surprise Major practices at Portsea were a feature of the Portsmouth District for many years.

### IN OFFICE FROM 1926

Fred was elected Guild peal recorder in 1926, followed by Guild general secretary in 1931, which office he held for 25 years, before being elected Guild Master in 1956. Fred retired from Mastership in 1962, though still continuing to serve as one of the Guild's Central Council representatives, with a record of unbroken service in that office from 1932 until the time of his death. He was the last surviving member of the Guild Committee which had served continuously since the days of the old Winchester Guild, and so another link with the past is broken.

As mentioned earlier, Fred was in office at the time the old Winchester Guild was split up and the Guildford Guild formed in 1926, and he gave valuable assistance in re-forming the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild. He later piloted through the Guild's 1939-45 War Memorial and the George Williams Memorial Library schemes.

Fred was a great ringer and safe conductor; taking part in a number of ringing tours in his early days he became well known to many throughout the British Isles. Altogether Fred rang 672 peals, his last being Spliced Surprise Major in four methods at his home

tower of St. Mary's, Portsea, on December 7th, 1963.

His passing means a great loss to the Guild and ringing. We appreciate his great love and work for our art, which will never seem the same without him.

The chairman thanked Mr. Pullinger for his kind appreciation, and added that he was sure the words spoken of Fred by the Vicar of Portsea at the funeral were echoed by all who knew him—'He was a gentleman in every sense of the word.'

The Master then went on to say that this last week we had lost another old member, who was to have been elected a life member of the Guild at this meeting—Mr. Robert Fisher, of East Meon, who had died at the age of 92.

The assembly then stood for a few moments in silent prayer as a mark of respect to these two past members.

### OFFICERS' REPORTS

Continuing the business of the meeting, apologies were received and the minutes of the last A.G.M. read and confirmed. The general secretary, Mr. R. R. Savory, read letters of thanks received from the Parochial Church Councils of Eling and Sopley for grants received from the Guild towards rehanging and augmenting these bells respectively.

The treasurer's report, presented by Mrs. T. Chapman, was received showing a fairly steady financial balance. The peal recorder's report, presented by Mr. D. T. Matkin, stated that fewer peals were rung in 1963 (56) than in 1962, although there was a good variation in methods and plain and Surprise continued to be achieved. Four new Surprise Major and three new Surprise Royal methods had been added to the Guild's list, including the first peals to be rung of Christchurch Surprise Major and Royal. Of particular note was the Warnford Sunday service band's achievement with a peal in 14 methods of Doubles, conducted by Mr. C. E. Bassett. Seventeen members rang their first peal, and in one Mr. B. R. Walton conducted his first peal.

The librarian's report, presented by Mr. D. E. House, showed that all books were in good condition. A copy of all Central Council publications was now obtainable from the Guild library. It was agreed that in future the librarian present a written report, which would include an up-to-date library list. The Guild handbells were in good order and being put to good use.

Rule 17 of the Guild was then discussed and an alteration passed, which would enable the activities of December in any year to be included in that year's District report, instead of, as previously, having to complete reports by mid-December.

Grants to bell restorations were considered from Titchfield, Curdridge, Kingsclere, Fawley and Winchester Cathedral; the first four for rehanging and the fifth for hanging a newly acquired flat 6th bell. Donations of £10 to each of these appeals were granted.

The 1964 striking competition will be held on October 31st, St. Michael's, Southampton, being probably the most suitable venue. Canon F. A. Sanders rose to ask whether the band of St. Michael's, Southampton, would be entering a team this year. When informed that they would not, he agreed that the venue chosen was probably quite suitable!

In recognition of unbroken membership of over 50 years, Mr. George Noice was elected a life member of the Guild.

The 1965 A.G.M. will be held on the first Saturday in June at Christchurch Priory, upon the kind invitation of the Christchurch District.

### CHANGE OF OFFICERS

As Mr. D. E. House will be leaving Hampshire in the near future the Executive Committee have appointed Mr. J. R. Faithfull to act as honorary librarian until the triennial elections in 1965.

Due to the death of Mr. F. W. Rogers, the Executive Committee have appointed Mr. R. R. Savory to act as Central Council representative until the 1965 elections.

After the general meeting, the Guild service was held in St. Michael's Church, Basingstoke. The 15 minute service touch was an excellently struck touch of Stedman Triples, rung by the following members: R. R. Savory 1, Mrs. T. Chapman 2, G. K. Dodd 3, M. J. Butler 4, D. E. House 5, M. J. Thomas 6, C. H. Kippin (cond.) 7, T. Chapman 8. The service was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. N. J. Woodhall, and a very interesting address given by the Archdeacon of Basingstoke, the Ven. R. C. Rudgard.

Following the service, an excellent tea was served by the members of the St. Michael's, Basingstoke, ringers and lady helpers in the Church Cottage.

Ringling was resumed after tea in several towers in the District, to complete a very successful day. Thanks are expressed to Mr. Jack Chatterman, the District secretary, Mr. Andrew Taylor and Mr. Paul Holmes for tea and ringing arrangements, and clergy for the service and use of bells.

R. R. S.

### POSTAL TROUBLES

With the uncertainties of post, this has been a difficult week for 'The Ringing World.' Fortunately those who obtain their copies through newagents should have received them at the usual time.

It was not until after mid-day last Friday that the Postal Authorities informed us that they were prepared to accept the journal at letter rate.

Unfortunately the weight was a shade over one oz. and necessitated 4½d. postage. There was no time to trim the copies as they were all bundled ready for franking. This involved 'The Ringing World' in an extra £20 but we felt in view of the continued generosity of readers we could not let them down: we regarded it as our duty to do everything possible to minimise any delay in distribution.

### ST. MARTIN'S GUILD

Coleshill was the venue for the quarterly meeting of the St. Martin's Guild, held on July 4th. The very fine crocketed spire is a landmark for miles around, and contains a ring of eight bells, hung anti-clockwise. The Vicar conducted the Guild's form of service in the chancel, which was followed by tea and the meeting in the Town Hall.

Miss Rosemary Tailby, of King's Norton, was elected a member of the Guild, and the tower elections, as life members, of Kenneth J. Hesketh (Liverpool) and Geoffrey Pearson (Cambridge) were duly ratified.

The secretary reported that the memorial tablet to the late Albert Walker was now complete and would shortly be fixed in St. Martin's tower. Notice would be given in 'The Ringing World' to enable anyone who wished to attend the unveiling ceremony.

The Master referred to the Guild's Tuesday evening practices, and regretted that in recent weeks they had been poorly attended. One reason for this might be that St. Martin's bells were not easy to ring, but the practice had served a useful purpose in the past, and opportunities still existed for ringers desirous of taking advantage of them. The secretary was of the opinion that learners would profit by learning to master the handling of awkwardly going bells, and advised them not to stay away from the practice because the bells did not run perfectly.

It was decided to experiment by holding a monthly practice at various towers in the diocese, in an endeavour to interest ringers who did not normally attend meetings of the Guild.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and for conducting the service, and to the ladies who provided an excellent tea.



# A COLLECTION OF DOUBLES METHODS

Compiled by  
**GEOFFREY K. DODD and  
ROY H. JONES**

This collection contains many of the 'variations' that have been rung. There is no doubt that some have been omitted. It is hoped that ringers will add these in due course.

Many of the names have been duplicated and several methods have more than one name. Where possible the original name has been traced and used. We hope that conductors will not be offended because the name they used has been disregarded.

Mr. Percy Amos sent many of the 'Saints Methods' and his names have been used. Information regarding 'names' which has appeared in 'The Ringing World' has been acted on.

Our grateful thanks to all those ringers who were kind enough to send their Doubles Methods or information to either of us. Without their help this collection would have been impossible.

We hope that some of the confusion with regard to 'names' and 'composition' will be ended by this collection. It is hoped also that it will be of use to ringers of Doubles.

## PART A

This section contains the methods which have more than one name. It is not claimed to be complete but contains all the information we have at present.

CORRECT NAME	OTHER NAMES
Antelope	Old Antelope
Broadwas	Ham, Martindale
Campion	Costessy, Costessey
Chace	Fordingbridge, Marsham
Cowslip	Bredon
Dedworth	Chesterfield, Chester
Dove	Ault Hucknall, Xavier
Fortune	Morning Star
Honeysuckle	Shalbourne, Wollaston
Hudibras	Besthorpe, Dover
Kennington	Ludham, Morning Star,
	Evening Star, Riseley,
	Wootton
Lapley	St. Andrew, Willow
Litchurch	St. David, St. Cecelia
Longford	St. Basil
London	St. Blaise, St. Margaret,
	Westminster, Audley
Marston	Little Aston, Aston
Magdalen	Mieham
Marchington	Rushall, Thornton
New Bob	New Doubles,
	Ready Money
Newborough	Kingcup, Newington
Norfolk	Norfolk, Hodnet,
	Windermere
Northrepps	Honeybourne,
	Medbourne, Wallasey,
	Morning Star, Coltree
Nuffield	Norwich, St. Mary
Oldswinford	St. Katherine
Primrose	Woolton
Ready Money	Hudibras, Old Hudibras
Rushall	Newington, Northleigh
Slow Course Doubles	This is Cheersley Slow
	Course and should be
	called as such. (Named
	by Alan R. Pink?)
St. Alban	Barton
St. Ambrósé	Foremark
St. Austell	Shirland
St. Barnabas	Lathkill
St. Boniface	Brailsford
St. Cecelia	Heath, Wye
St. Chrysostom	Dove, Ault Hucknall
	Xavier

St. Crispin  
St. David  
St. Frideswide  
St. George

St. Hilda

St. James  
St. John  
St. Jude  
St. Laurence  
St. Luke

St. Mary

St. Ninian  
St. Patrick  
St. Richard  
St. Thomas

Salwarpe  
Shipway's Place  
Somerville  
Southrepps

Thurlby Delight  
Union Doubles  
Wadham  
Windrush  
Wychbold

Chelmorton, Hanley  
Stourbridge, Donnington  
St. Paul  
St. Michael, Uffington  
(Amos: St. George)

Breedon, Colwall.  
St. George  
(Blagrove: St. George)  
Pleasley  
St. Luke, St. Francis  
Doveridge  
Elton

St. John, St. Rumbold,  
Dalham

Winster, St. Cuthbert  
(Amos: St. Mary)  
Muggington, Halstow

Pentrich, St. Oswald  
Osmaston, Rogus  
St. Mary, St. Andrew,

Littleton  
(Blagrove: St. Mary)  
Ascension, St. Stephen

Place Boh, Old Boh  
Shropham  
Castle, Stoke,

St. Agatha (?)  
St. Augustine  
Flag Boh, Rothwell

Walsingham  
St. Stephen, Woolaston  
Stanford, St. Hugh,

St. Wilfrid (?)

## ASCENSION

Plain Course	Bob
1 2 3 4 5	
2 1 4 3 5	
2 4 1 5 3	
4 2 5 1 3	4 2 5 1 3
4 5 2 3 1	4 5 2 3 1
5 4 3 2 1	5 4 3 2 1
5 3 4 1 2	4 5 3 1 2
3 5 1 4 2	5 4 1 3 2
3 1 5 2 4	5 1 4 2 3
1 3 2 5 4	1 5 2 4 3
1 3 5 2 4	1 5 4 2 3
	5 1 2 4 3
	5 2 1 3 4

Plain Boh

## BLUNDERBUS

Plain Course	Bob
1 2 3 4 5	*1 3 2 5 4
2 1 4 3 5	3 1 2 5 4
2 4 1 5 3	3 2 1 4 5
4 2 5 1 3	2 3 4 1 5
4 5 2 3 1	3 2 4 5 1
5 4 3 2 1	2 3 5 4 1
5 3 4 1 2	2 5 3 1 4
3 5 1 4 2	5 2 1 3 4
3 1 5 2 4	5 1 2 4 3
1 3 2 5 4*	1 5 2 3 4
1 3 5 2 4	1 5 3 2 4
3 1 2 5 4	5 1 3 4 2
	5 3 1 2 4
	3 5 2 1 4
	3 2 5 4 1
	3 2 4 5 1
	3 2 4 1 5
	2 3 1 4 5
	2 1 3 5 4
	1 2 5 3 4
	1 2 3 5 4

Plain Boh Doubles

## PART B

This section contains methods and bobs or singles which are used in { Part C }  
to obtain 120's. { Part D }

## ALL SAINTS

Plain Course	Bob
1 2 3 4 5	5 3 4 2 1
2 1 3 4 5	5 4 3 1 2
2 3 1 5 4	4 5 1 3 2
3 2 5 1 4	4 1 5 2 3
3 5 2 4 1	1 4 5 2 3
5 3 4 2 1	1 4 2 5 3
5 4 3 1 2	4 1 2 5 3
4 5 1 3 2	4 2 1 3 5
4 1 5 2 3	2 4 3 1 5
1 4 5 2 3	2 3 4 5 1
1 4 5 3 2	
4 1 5 3 2	
4 5 1 2 3	
5 4 2 1 3	
5 2 4 3 1	

P.L. Rev. Canterbury

## ANTELOPE

Plain Course	Bob
1 2 3 4 5	3 4 5 2 1
2 1 3 5 4	3 5 4 1 2
2 3 1 5 4	5 3 1 4 2
3 2 5 1 4	5 1 3 4 2
3 5 2 4 1	1 5 3 2 4
5 3 4 2 1	1 3 5 4 2
5 4 3 1 2	3 1 5 2 4
4 5 1 3 2	3 5 1 2 4
4 1 5 2 3	5 3 2 1 4
1 4 2 5 3	5 2 3 4 1
1 2 4 5 3	
2 1 4 3 5	
2 4 1 3 5	
4 2 3 1 5	
4 3 2 5 1	
3 4 5 2 1	

Single

3 4 5 2 1  
3 5 4 1 2  
5 3 1 4 2  
5 1 3 4 2  
1 5 3 2 4  
1 3 5 4 2  
3 1 5 2 4  
3 5 1 2 4  
5 3 2 1 4  
5 2 3 4 1

## CHACE DOUBLES

1 2 3 4 5  
2 1 3 5 4  
2 3 1 4 5  
3 2 4 1 5  
3 4 2 5 1  
4 3 5 2 1  
4 5 3 1 2  
5 4 1 3 2  
5 1 4 2 3  
1 5 4 3 2  
1 4 5 3 2  
4 1 5 2 3  
4 5 1 3 2  
5 4 3 1 2  
5 3 4 2 1  
3 5 2 4 1

Bob takes two leads to complete

## CHACE BOB (3) or GRANDSIRE EXTREME

5 2 4 3 1  
5 4 2 1 3  
4 5 1 2 3  
4 1 5 3 2  
1 4 5 2 3  
1 4 2 5 3  
4 1 2 3 5  
4 2 1 5 3  
2 4 5 1 3  
2 5 4 3 1

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WOOTTON WAWEN, WARWICKS.—On July 1st, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Ruth Gay 1, Rosemary Talby 2, C. P. Rice 3, K. C. Jones 4, G. Davies (cond.) 5. A birthday compliment to Rosemary Talby.

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## Letters to the Editor

### East Anglian Television

Dear Sir,—One further East Anglian item that appeared on television has not yet been mentioned. A short film was shown on the day after the birth of the Queen's fourth child on the 'East at six-ten' programme on B.B.C. There were pictures of Gresham's School boys ringing handbells in a cart which was towed round the town of Holt and a recording of Bob Doubles on handbells.

The ringing took place on a moving cart which toured the town as the parish church in Holt has but two bells and although these were raised and rung, it was felt that the music of eight handbells was probably better.—Yours, etc.,

PAUL CATTERMOLLE.

St. Peter-de-Witton, Droitwich Spa.  
Droitwich Spa.

### Jasper Snowdon had the Answer

Dear Sir,—Your correspondent, writing about the nature of rows, seems to need sledgehammers with which to crack very small nuts.

Eighty odd years ago Jasper Snowdon settled this matter very simply in 'Treble Bob,' Part I. Just write out the row to be tested and bring it back to rounds one pair at a time. Only a few exchanges are needed to do this, and generally the nature of the row becomes evident before the job is completed. Perhaps this is unscientific.—Yours sincerely,

PETER LAFLIN.

Heaviley, Stockport.

### Robert Roan

Dear Sir,—I would be grateful if one of your more erudite readers would confirm or dispel my suspicions that the article on the origins of change ringing by Mr. Ernest Weatherby contains several inaccuracies.

Firstly, I can find no mention in any of the historical and topographical works I have consulted of the existence of a Benedictine monastery in Cambridge. The Church of St. Bene't was, for a time, the chapel of Corpus Christi college. The nearest religious house to Cambridge appears to have been Barnwell Priory, which was Augustinian.

The last of the monastic establishments was dissolved in 1540, so that Robert Roan must have been a veritable Methuselah if he was still alive in 1625, assuming, as Mr. Weatherby implies, that he was the monk in question.

According to Trollope, Robert Roan was sworn Clerk of the Pantry under the Board of the Greencloth (Lord Chamberlain's Office), joined the College Youths in 1647 and was Master in 1652. Thomas Roan was Master in 1689.—Yours sincerely, W. E. BOX.  
Harborne, Birmingham.

Dear Sir,—Re the origin of Grandsire Doubles by Ernest Weatherby, I think that Armiger Trollope would turn in his grave if he could read it.

I have not read anywhere that there is any evidence to suggest that Robert Roan was a monk, but even if he was I find it hard to accept the fact that he sent the figures of Grandsire or Plain Bob to the College Youths 87 years after the suppression of the monasteries.

Really, Mr. Editor, Mr. Weatherby makes the most telling statement in his last paragraph, when he states that very few ringers know anything about Robert Roan. You're telling me!—Sincerely yours,

ERNEST J. ROWE.

Tottenham, N.

### Stowmarket Appeal

Dear Sir,—I thank you most sincerely for the help given through 'The Ringing World' to the Stowmarket appeal. On July 2nd I sat at the south porch of our church from 7.30 a.m. to 7.30 p.m. for what was to be one of the most memorable days of my life. At 7.30 a.m. the first caller brought a signed promise of a covenant scheme which would bring in £100—a fine worm for an early bird! We never looked back! I had callers at the rate of two a minute, on average, for most of the day until about 6 p.m. About noon the postman brought the letters—from as far away as Scotland, Ireland, Bath and Lewes. I cannot mention more. It was as exciting reading out the messages and announcing the donations to the little crowd who had gathered as the best man's duty at a wedding! We were thrilled! Among letters coming before and since were collected donations from 'the home tower,' where I learned the art as a boy, and from the tower where I was curate and often rang with the band. These most moving and heart-warming replies echoed in every letter.

The callers from the town filled fourteen pages of a book with their signatures. People from the surrounding villages came, too. I had a wonderful time playing an old phonograph with its round record of bell accompaniment, to the joy and amazement of many old hands as well as the young and curious!

There were smiles all round—the broadest on the faces of the ringers and the church officials. What a day! There was everything, from bun pennies to five pound notes and £10 cheques, and the total now stands at £245 for this appeal. What a cheering experience! If you wish to share it with your readers please do. They deserve it.—Yours sincerely,

A. ARTHUR MUXLOW (Rev.).

The Vicarage, Stowmarket, Suffolk.

### Striking Competitions

Dear Sir,—Following up Mr. Hall's letter about judging striking competitions ('R.W.' June 12th). I feel sure readers would welcome an informative article on the subject from one of our Devon or Cornish call change judges, who could give us the benefit of his experience, and explain the principles on which their system is based.

These competitions are obviously gaining in popularity, which is a good thing, but whilst most ringers have their own ideas on judging, information from an area where good striking is an established tradition could provide a useful pointer in formulating general principles, especially for Branches who may be considering the introduction of striking competitions in the near future.

Perhaps one of our estimable C.C. representatives in the area might be able to do a little missionary work on our behalf?—Yours sincerely,

JOHN BRAIN.

Backwell, Somerset.

### Old Peals

Dear Sir,—In reply to Mr. F. C. W. Knight (page 464) the peal containing 194 bobs and 46 singles was of course a 'Bob and Single' peal, most likely Taylor's or Vicar's, and the other one with 98 bobs and 2 singles called from the second would doubtless be Holt's Ten-Part.—Yours faithfully,

E. V. RODENHURST.

Prees Green, Salop.

### 'Spike' Stays

Dear Sir,—Those of us who make a habit of visiting ancient and dilapidated belfries are all conscious that 'spike' stays are by no means unusual. Sometimes they were used when the space is particularly confined.

Even more strange are the stays on the three bells at Stratford Toney, in Wiltshire. These are of conventional pattern, but roped and nailed to the wheels. At Winterbourne Gurney, in the same county, where two bells occupy an ancient three bell frame, the bells still have 4 wheels (but I think these are modern copies of their predecessors). One of the bells has a stay six foot long protruding from the centre of the headstock. Why? I can only guess that it is to prevent the bell being rung up too high.—Yours sincerely,

A. CLAYTON

Tooting Graveney, S.W.

### Doubles Methods

Dear Sir,—I worked out the Doubles variations using Antelope singles many years ago. The majority of them were rung during July of 1961. All of these variations have extents with the 2nd as observation.

We have also rung the following concotions in handbell peals.

Allestree—Grandsire with Antelope calls.  
Alvaston—Plain Bob with Plain Bob hobs and Old singles. (I have a note of this being rung at Alvaston in 1956.)

Shardlow—Reverse Canterbury with Plain Bob bobs and Old singles.

There are also the following Doubles METHODS which are not in the Doubles Collection.

Spondon	Breaston	Breadsall	Alfreton
12345	12345	12345	12345
21354	21354	21435	21435
23154	23145	24153	24153
32514	32415	42513	24513
35241	34251	24531	42531
35421	34521	42351	42351
35412	43512	43215	43215
51324	43152	34125	34125
51324	41325	31425	31452
15234	14235	13452	13425
12534	12453	14352	14352

—Yours sincerely,

DAVID K. WALKLATE

Derby.

### DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Chesterfield District

The attendance was lower than usual—probably due to the holiday season—at the Chesterfield District's meeting at Barlborough on July 11th.

Ringling during the afternoon ranged from rounds and call changes to Killamarsh T.B. and Cambridge before the company of some 20 members and friends adjourned to the nearby Church Hall for tea.

In his welcome, the Vicar told us of his experience of bell hanging in South Africa, which consisted of a large bolt striking a ploughshare hung from a tree!

David Nuttall (Staveley) was elected a new member, and the District secretary (Mr. M. Phipps) gave preliminary details of this year's outing—to Oxfordshire on September 12th. After the vote of thanks to the Vicar, local ringers and ladies for providing the tea further ringling was enjoyed on the 11 cwt six until 8.30 p.m.

Next meeting: Bolsover (8) and Scarescliffe (5), August 3rd (joint meeting). M. P. P.

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21354	42315	24153
23145	24135	
32415	21453	(c) 24135
23451	12435	21453
23541	12345	12435
32514		14253
23154	One bell is always	41235
21345	in the slow.	42153
12354	It remains there	
12534	until a 'bob' is	Touch
21543	called.	2345
25134		3245—1
52314		4352—3
25341	BOBS	5423—3
25431	(a) 23154	2534—3
52413	21345	2345—2
25143	12354	
21534	13245	
12543	31254	There are others.
12453	32145	
21435		
24153	(b) 25143	
42513	21534	
24531	12543	
	12453	

### OLD DOUBLES or OLD BOB

Plain Course	Single (sometimes called Bob)
12345	13254
21435	13245
24153	31425
42513	34152
45231	43512
54321	45321
53412	54231
35142	52413
31524	25143
13254	21534
13524	12354
Plain Bob	12534

### OLD HUDIBRAS

Plain Course	Bob
12345	53412
21435	35142
24153	31524
42513	13254
45231	13524
54321	31542
53412	35124
35142	53214
31524	52341
13254	25431
13524	
Plain Bob	

### READY MONEY

Plain Course	Bob
12345	53412
21435	35142
24153	31524
42513	13542
45231	13452
54321	31542
53412	35124
35142	53214
31524	52341
13254	25431
13524	
Plain Bob	

### PISTOL

Plain Course	Bob
12345	*14523
21345	41523
23154	45132
32514	54312
35241	45321
53421	54231
54312	52413
45132	25143
41523	21534
14523	12543
14253*	12453
41253	21435

Rev. Canterbury

Bob takes two leads to complete.

### ST BLAISE

Plain Course	Bob (sometimes called Single)
12345	54132
21354	51423
23145	15243
32415	15234
34251	51243
43521	52134
45312	25314
54132	
51423	
15432	
15423	
51432	
54123	

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### THURLBY DELIGHT

Plain Course	Bob
12345	54132
21354	51423
23145	15432
32415	15423
34251	51243
43521	52134
45312	25314
54132	23541
51423	
15432	
15423	
51432	

Rev. St. Bartholomew

(To be continued)

### BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

Mr. L. H. Bywaters, the chairman of the Biggleswade District and the local tower captain, was the Ringing Master when the Biggleswade District held an evening meeting at Henlow on July 11th.

Although it was only an evening meeting there was a good number of both District members and visitors present, and the nice ring of six was put to good use.

The varied ringing catered for all tastes and many different Minor methods were rung before the meeting ended just before 9 p.m.

Next meeting: Eaton Socon, August 8th.

### SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

#### Devizes Branch

About 40 members tried their handling on the long draught eight at Urchfont on July 4th, when the Devizes Branch held their quarterly meeting there. The service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. R. H. Owen, a full choir attended and the organist was a local ringer.

After an excellent tea, the business meeting was conducted by the chairman, Mr. N. Knee. The members stood in memory of the Rev. S. L. R. Sharp, late of Bishop's Cannings, who had always been a great friend of the Branch.

The chairman drew attention to slack ringing habits which were creeping in among some of the junior members and appealed to everyone to check them whenever they appeared. The next meetings were fixed for Bratton, Upavon and Bishop's Cannings, subject to confirmation. After the votes of thanks ringing was continued. A. K.

#### Salisbury Branch

The practice meeting of the Salisbury Branch, held on June 27th at Britford, was made the occasion of a striking competition. This was the second organised by the Branch, but unfortunately entries were down on the previous year. Results: 1 Fittleton (Grand-sire), 2 Wilton (Stedman), 3 St. Thomas', Salisbury (Grandsire). We are most grateful to the Rev. R. Keeley, Messrs. N. Knee and G. Harding for their help as judges. G. A. T.

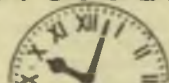
### DURHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

This year's annual outing was held on June 20th, when five towers in Northumberland were visited. Rothbury, a town beautifully situated amongst the hills in the north west, was the first tower. Coffee was taken before ringing on the bells—a fairly good sounding 13 cwt. eight. It was a pleasant route over the moors to Bamburgh, where we had lunch. Some were daring enough to defy the cold wind and venture into the sea; others went for a brisk walk along the beach and admired the magnificent castle on the headland. Later the bells were raised in peal and a pleasant hour's ringing was spent on this good 13 cwt. eight.

A coast road was taken to Newton Hall, where it was planned to ring for three-quarters of an hour. It turned out to be a mission church without a tower and one small bell—there is another Newton Hall in the county. A relaxing hour was spent on the beach sunbathing. As we left Newton Hall there was a wet dress flapping from the sun-roof. (I hasten to add that the owner had been 'padding' and was now suitably garbed in a large raincoat.)

The bells of Embleton (6. 11 cwt.) did not prove to be as interesting or as beautiful as the church. The tenor rope broke as they were being lowered and this caused a 20-minute delay while it was spliced. Tea was taken at Alnwick, and then came the excellent eight at Morpeth Watch Tower, where the bells were rung for an hour. At Cramlington, the last tower, the Vicar allowed us to ring fully-muffled in view of the late hour from 8.15-9 p.m. Our thanks to incumbents and those who met us. B.R.

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# MEDIAEVAL BELL FOUNDRIES OF NORWICH

By T. A. BEVIS

THE mediaeval bell foundries were equal to that at Norwich, which for a period of 200 years, through the excellence of its products, particularly from an artistic point of view, was in great demand with ecclesiastical authorities far and near.

The BRASIER family were largely responsible for the evident popularity of this flourishing business for in the course of its existence it had many managers. Members of the Brasier family enjoyed eminent positions in the civic life of Norwich city, and it is gratifying that a number of bells from this establishment can still be heard above the hustle and bustle of Norwich and over the Norfolk and Suffolk countryside.

The earliest Norwich founder, WILLIAM DE NORWYCO (also said to have practised under the name WILLIAM BRASIERE DE NOTTYNGHAM) was admitted to the Freedom of Norwich in 1376. He is credited with bells at Hellesdon, Barford, Little Melton, Thurne, Conington and one which hung in the cupola of the old St. Andrew's Hall, Norwich (removed in 1863). This bell is now to be seen in the St. Peter Hungate Museum of the city of its origin.

Following William de Norwyco's death, the business was continued by JOHN SUTTON, 'BELEZET', who in 1404 was admitted to the liberty of the city: unfortunately no bells have as yet been associated with Sutton as his work. The first accepted connection with the Brasiers—THOMAS POTTER—followed Sutton, the former name indicative of one who manufactured pots as well as bells, and whose trade-mark depicted a three-legged vessel. He also employed two very distinctive sets of lettering for his bells, both alphabets different to those used by the Brasiers.

The Brasiers or Brasieres (various spellings) were an old and esteemed Norwich family, and appear to have trodden in the footsteps of RICHARD BAXTER, who cast bells between 1416-1424. They are accurately recorded from as early as 1386. Robert Brasier, a city bailiff, is mentioned for 1391, 1398 and 1403, the latter year in which he was chosen to be one of the city's first sheriffs. In 1410 he was elected Mayor and Burgess, and represented Norwich in two Parliaments—1st and 5th of Henry V.

Robert Brasier, whose probable occupation was that of a mercer, directed in his will that his remains be interred in the Chapel of the Blessed Mary on the north side of St. Stephen's Church, Norwich.

PETER BONDE BRASIER (Sheriff in 1424) is thought not to have been a bell-founder, but a worker in brass. RICHARD BRASIER, who was admitted to the Freedom of the City in 1424 was without any doubt a founder. In the 'Free Book' of Norwich, is recorded 'Rics. Brasier Goldsmith, Robert Brasier Belzet.' In that entry there is an element of doubt as to whether he was admitted as a bell-founder or goldsmith. In 1450 it was decreed that the admissions should be entered under the various trades; consequently Richard is listed as a bell-founder and goldsmith. This man was an eminent figure in civic business, serving as Sheriff and Mayor (in the latter instance, twice, in 1456 and 1463). He served Norwich well and in 1452 received the city's thanks for his diligence.

Richard Brasier devised all his tenements called 'lez werkhouse' in the Parish of St. Stephen, to his son, who received all tools and instruments appertaining to the trade, except pots and bell-metal, which the father called 'pot-metal.' and the pots newly made, these to be sold. Richard junior had also inherited his father's prowess in civic affairs and was duly elected to the offices of Sheriff and Mayor. His will directed the executors to place a marble stone displaying his arms and an image of both him and his wife above the tomb, and also a stone for his father's tomb.

The Brasier establishment was situated at the north-east corner of St. Stephen's parish. A triangular plot of ground bounded by Red Lion-street and Rampart House-lane and Little Oxford-street in the King's Map of Norwich, 1766, is marked 'foundry'; it is also referred to by Blomefield as 'A Workhouse.'



Specimen of lettering and foundry marks

Norwich has about nine bells by the Brasiers: four at the cathedral, one at St. George, Colegate (and the crown of another), one each at St. Giles and St. Julian and two at St. Catherine, Mile Cross (according to information received).

Concerning this well-known enterprise, Walters (Church Bells of Essex) says: 'A surprisingly large number of these beautiful Brasier bells . . . are to be found in East Anglia. In Norfolk, out of over 300 ancient, at least 137 are by these founders . . . Dr. Raven reckons about 100 in Suffolk, and there are two in Cambridgeshire, and one at Ford Abbey, Dorset.'

The Brasier alphabet is an admirable example of artistic skill practised by a craft at a time when bells performed a more useful part between Church and laity than perhaps they do nowadays. The beautiful lettering employed by them is rarely surpassed; it may be seen in various sizes—the largest type generally used for large bells. There are at least two different shields displaying three bells, a crown and ermine, and sometimes sprigged. Another mark used by the foundry was that of a lion's head, sometimes incorporating a cross (see illustrations).

Inscriptions on Brasier bells are also worthy of note. All of course, are in Latin, a few translations being:

- 'I have the name of Gabriel sent from Heaven.'
- 'May thy offspring, Anna, feed us with celestial manner.'
- 'The sound of Giles rises to the vaults of Heaven.'
- 'I am, when rung, called Mary the Rose of the world.'
- 'May Nicholas strive to join us with Christ on high!'
- 'May this ring be blessed, by the function of the Baptist,' etc.

When the last of the Brasiers had died the business was taken over by William Barker (bells cast between 1530-1538) who used his predecessors' moulds and type. Thomas Lawrence, who, it is believed, had connections with the celebrated Culverden, acquired the Norwich premises after Barker's death in 1545. Lawrence expired in 1582, the foundry passing into the hands of John Brend 'who crowded his bells with the initials of subscribers and parishioners, and whose lettering is large and clumsy, and arabic numerals very misleading.' Brend died in 1582, 'greatly indebted to diverse men in diverse sums of money.'

Finally the ancient establishment was removed by William Brend to the parish of All

Saints. Thus the remaining link with a renowned medieval bell-foundry—the birthplace of fine Gothic bells for fine Gothic churches—was completely severed.

## DUBLIN UNIVERSITY GUILD

Last term the University of Dublin Guild of Change Ringers was started, under the auspices of the University Central Music Committee. The president is Professor F. E. Vokes, B.D.; the Ringing Master A. Vere Hodge, the secretary treasurer Miss E. A. Sadler (c/o No. 6, Trinity College, Dublin), and the committee member is Miss M. Bernard Smith. There are at present about 30 members and ringing for services and practice takes place in Dublin's four towers and others nearby. We have been on a tour of the southern towers in Ireland, and in October we are going on a tour of North Wales, at the invitation of the ringers of the Welsh Universities.

E. A. S.

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23564	—	—	—	—
36245	—	—	—	—
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527346	—	—	3	2
352647	—	—	3	2
427365	—	—	3	2
34256	—	—	3	2
627354	—	—	3	2
23645	—	—	3	2
23456	—	—	3	2

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**MELTON MOWBRAY**

A happy choice of good towers was made by the Melton Mowbray ringers and friends for their annual outing. Leaving Melton at 7.45 a.m. an hour was spent at the first tower, the old Norman church of Melbourne, Derbyshire. Then came the beautiful eight at Uttoxeter, where the ringing was very good. An excellent lunch at the Meeting Point Restaurant preceded our visit to Stafford, where we had the pleasure of ring for a bridal couple. Alrewas bells (8) gave pleasure, and after a tea break a move was made to Atherstone, where there is a new eight, which are a delight to ring.

A warm welcome awaited us at Chilvers Coton, the last tower, from Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Beaumish, their daughter and lady ringers, who took part in the ringing. Melton was reached about 10.15; the excellent arrangements were by Mr. R. E. Manton.

J. H. C.

**PETERBOROUGH**

An enjoyable day was spent in Derbyshire on June 27th by ringers and friends of St. John's Church, Peterborough.

The coach left at 8.15 a.m. and Derby Cathedral was reached on time. The beautiful 10 were thoroughly enjoyed by all, and was the initiation into 10 bell ringing for some of the younger members who handled very well indeed. We then took a short walk to St. Alkmund's Church and spent half an hour on short touches of Double Norwich, Plain Bob and Stedman. We had lunch at Youlgrave before climbing the tower steps to tackle the heaviest ring of the day.

Then on to Ashover, Darley Dale, Matlock and, finally, Heanor: a welcome awaited the party at each tower and in two instances we found the bells raised. On the homeward journey, one call was made for hard-earned refreshments, and Peterborough was reached by 11.30 p.m.

We extend our thanks to our Branch president, Mr. J. H. Bluff, and to all who helped to make the trip so enjoyable. G. S. B.

**OUTINGS****OTTERY ST. MARY, DEVON**

Not blessed with this year's usual fine weather but nevertheless in high spirits, two coachloads of ringers with their families and friends departed at 8 a.m. on June 6th for the annual outing.

This year it was to Somerset, with Bridgewater as the first stop. We did not really get to grips with this fairly heavy ring of eight and the striking left a lot to be desired.

Promising to do better at the next tower, Wrington, we certainly did on the very fine ten, with the aid of the local ringer who rang the tenor and kept things moving. A reasonable touch of Grandsire Caters (one of the best of the day) was brought round by Cyril.

Mr. Price, the tower captain, met us at Yatton and our thanks to him for conducting a very musical touch of Stedman Triples. A most enjoyable hour was spent ringing on the magnificent eight bells even though the Oxford Treble Bob Major came to grief.

Thank goodness the rain had stopped when we reached Weston-super-Mare. No ringing had been arranged here, and most of the party seemed quite pleased when we were on our way towards Taunton. Here, at St. Mary's, several of the local ringers were present and had kindly raised the 'back four.' With some help a plain course of Grandsire Cinques just about came round. A few more touches of Grandsire and Stedman Caters and it was time to lower for the last time.

The programme said we were due to leave Taunton at 9 p.m., but should we go on and leave the Arbury brothers and Edward behind? Eventually they arrived—apologies for taking the wrong turning—complaints about distances between church, 'pub' and coach—but your correspondent suggests that Jim had got involved with one of his fishing stories.

Our thanks include the organiser, Charles Turner, who once again produced an outing with first class bells, immaculate time keeping and good company. C. C. T.

**COALBROOKDALE, SALOP**

The weather was beautiful as we left Coalbrookdale for the annual outing, on Independence Day. At Ledbury, the first tower, we had to wait while a funeral procession passed, and then while the Little Aston and Lichfield ringers rang. They made a far better job of their Cambridge and Plain Bob than we did of our Grandsire. The large amount of free rope rather disturbed our ringers.

We had lunch at Ross, but, owing to lack of time, had to leave the glorious eight after a course of Plain Bob Major and some Grandsire. Monmouth was a long climb for quite a reasonable eight, and we gave our non-change ringers some practice, and also rang Stedman Triples. Another long climb was necessary to the rather loud but fine ten at Leominster, where the only decent ringing was a course of Stedman Triples.

After dining at Leominster, our last tower was Eardisland. As generally happens, the best ringing of the day was enjoyed on the very fine light eight. It included Plain Bob Major, Stedman Triples and our promised course of Kent.

We thank Graham Rich for a well organised outing; also the incumbents.

**ASHCOTT, SOMERSET**

An enthusiastic party of Ashcott ringers and friends enjoyed their summer outing to Weymouth to sunbathe on the beach and take the first dip of the year. On the journey down a halt was made at Evershot (6, 8 cwt.) to ring touches of Grandsire, All Saints and Plain Bob.

After Weymouth, the delightful village of Upwey was visited. Here we were greeted by the Vicar and a local ringer and the pleasant six bells were ably handled. As the bells were ringing others of the party made their way to drink of the crystal-clear waters of the famous wishing well. More ringing took place at Maiden Newton and there was a stop at a fish bar at Ilchester to renew acquaintance with former Ashcott people. Mr. and Mrs. K. Prime thank all those who made the day so successful and ask for their support next year.

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Those who rang the peal at St. Michael's Cornhill, on Saturday, July 11th, would like to associate with it the name of the Society's senior Past Master, Mr. Albert A. Hughes, whose 79th birthday anniversary fell on that day. Mr. Hughes was for many years a regular Sunday ringer at Cornhill.

After an absence of 30 years Mr. Walter L. C. (Bill) Barlow's name is back in the peal columns with a peal by the Society of Windsor Youths. He was one of the band taught at St. Andrew's, Enfield, in 1930, by Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Fletcher. Are any more of the band still ringing?

The peal in 21 Doubles methods at Whitney-on-Wye, for the Hereford Diocesan Guild (see page 423), was rung on Sunday, May 31st, in 2 hours and 42 minutes, now writes Mr. Colin A. Lewis.

A subscriber is asking for information concerning the Ernest Morris stained glass window which was to have been placed in St. Margaret's Church. Information from Leicester friends would be welcome.

On July 18th a party of German visitors from Darmstadt visited Chesterfield Parish Church for an organ recital by their organist. In honour of the occasion the Chesterfield District of the Derbyshire Diocesan Association were invited to ring the bells as a welcome to the visitors.

The Rev. Peter N. Bond writes expressing grateful thanks to many friends in Somerset for help and kindness during his recent holiday at Clevedon. He specially mentions Mr. and Mrs. Michael Horseman for ringing arrangements and hospitality, and Mr. Yates and ringers at Exeter Cathedral and St. Petrock's.

The meeting at Orton, near Penrith, on July 18th was the first meeting of the Cumberland and North Westmorland Association in the tower for at least 40 years. With the help of two ringers from Kirkby Stephen, 15 miles away, the new Vicar has got the bells going again and they have taught a band of young ladies. The Vicar's car travels 60 miles every Monday night.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

During a South Midlands Peal Week, organised by Mr. Cyril A. Wratten, 12 peals were rung out of 18 attempts. Peals lost included seven Spliced Surprise at Usk after 2½ hours' good ringing. Conductors were Robert C. Kippin, George E. Thoday, D. John Hunt and Cyril A. Wratten.

Holt's Original was rung silent and non-conducted at Harrow Weald, Middlesex on July 16th.

Mr. Gordon A. Halls, who is bell consultant to the Derbyshire Association, is to be appointed adviser on bells to the Diocesan Advisory Committee.

Mr. Norman Chaddock writes with knowledge on English handbell ringing in the current issue of the American magazine 'Overtones.' Another valuable article, with music, is 'Westminster Chimes' by Harry A. Sykes, First Christian Church, Galesbury, Ill., U.S.A.

The quarter rung at Ebbw Vale on June 28th was a farewell to both Canon Oliver Davies, B.A., who was largely responsible for the installation of the bells, and Mr. R. Stephens, and as a tribute to Mr. T. Stephens, who has retired after 25 years as tower Master.

If the person who lost a black silk headscarf at the Chesterfield District's meeting at Creswell on June 13th would care to contact the District secretary, Malcolm Phipps, 18, Dowdeswell Street, Chesterfield, Derbys, it will be returned.

A peal of Grandsire Caters was rung as a farewell peal for Malcolm M. Powell and John H. Taylor, who have graduated at Southampton University this year and are now leaving Hampshire. They have both learned quite a lot about ringing during their stay in Southampton and returned this 'in kind' by very regular attendance for Sunday service ringing at St. Michael's, Southampton. The latter has been much appreciated by a local band which is currently at a low ebb through recent losses caused by ringers leaving the area. Our best wishes go with Malcolm and John, in their future careers and in their ringing, writes P. R. S.

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## CYRIL A. WRATTEN'S PEAL TOUR

ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL  
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

COLWALL, Herefordshire.—At the Church of St. James-the-Great.  
On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5184 STRATFORD SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.

MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. Treble	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. 5
GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. .. 2	D. JOHN HUNT .. .. 6
CAROLYN VIBERT .. .. 3	VICTOR GRIFFIN .. .. 7
PETER BRIDLE .. .. 4	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM.

Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

First peal in the method by all, on the bells, and for the Association.

HANBURY, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.  
On Sun., July 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5152 ALDENHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb. in F sharp.

*CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. Treble	§D. JOHN HUNT .. .. 5
†CAROLYN VIBERT .. .. 2	*GORDON W. LAND .. .. 6
†GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. .. 3	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. 7
††ANTHONY R. KENCH .. .. 4	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. THODAY.

\* 25th peal together. † First in the method. ‡ 25th of Surprise Major. § 125th of Surprise Major.

MALVERN LINK, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Matthias.  
On Mon., July 6, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5126 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 3 lb. in F sharp.

GEORGE T. COUSINS .. .. Treble	CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. 5
CAROLYN VIBERT .. .. 2	ANTHONY R. KENCH .. .. 6
GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. .. 3	D. JOHN HUNT .. .. 7
ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. 4	BRIAN BLADON .. .. Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX.

Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

CLAINES, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.  
On Mon., July 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPICED SURPRISE ROYAL

In two methods, being 2,520 each of Cambridge and Yorkshire; with 27 changes of method. Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb. in F sharp.

*†GORDON W. LAND .. .. Treble	*CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. 6
*‡VICTOR GRIFFIN .. .. 2	*ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. 7
*BRIAN BLADON .. .. 3	D. JOHN HUNT .. .. 8
*PETER BRIDLE .. .. 4	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. 9
*MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. 5	*GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER.

\* First peal of Spiced Surprise Royal. † 100th peal. ‡ 100th for the Association.

KINGHAM, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.  
On Tues., July 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in F sharp.

CAROLYN VIBERT .. .. Treble	MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. 5
*VICTOR GRIFFIN .. .. 2	CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. 6
*ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. 3	GORDON W. LAND .. .. 7
PETER BRIDLE .. .. 4	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. Tenor

Composed by EDWIN TIMBRELL.

Conducted by GEORGE E. THODAY.

\* 75th peal together.

KIRTLINGTON, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.  
On Tues., July 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in E.

GEORGE T. COUSINS .. .. Treble	†GORDON W. LAND .. .. 5
*ANTHONY R. KENCH .. .. 2	CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. 6
†ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. 3	D. JOHN HUNT .. .. 7
PETER BRIDLE .. .. 4	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES SEDGLEY (No. 1).

Conducted by CYRIL A. WRATTEN.

\* First peal of Major in the method. † First in the method. First in the method as conductor.

ASTON INGHAM, Herefords.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.  
On Wed., July 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In 13 methods, as follows: (1) London Surprise. (2) Cambridge. Beverley and Surfeit Surprise; (3) Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. (4) Plain Bob. (5) Double Oxford. Thelwall and Pinehurst; (6) St. Clement's. Childwall and Buxton; (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 5 cwt. 1 qr. 17 lb. in B.

CAROLYN VIBERT .. .. Treble	*PETER BRIDLE .. .. 4
ANTHONY R. PEAKE .. .. 2	CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. 5
ANTHONY R. KENCH .. .. 3	VICTOR GRIFFIN .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CYRIL A. WRATTEN.

\* First peal in 13 methods.

ROSS-ON-WYE, Herefords.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Wed., July 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 24½ cwt. in D.

BRIAN BLADON .. .. Treble	GORDON W. LAND .. .. 5
GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. .. 2	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. 6
*GEORGE T. COUSINS .. .. 3	D. JOHN HUNT .. .. 7
MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. 4	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

\* First peal in the method.

BISLEY, Gloucestershire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Thurs., July 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt.

ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. Treble	MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. 5
GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. 2	PETER BRIDLE .. .. 6
*CAROLYN VIBERT .. .. 3	D. JOHN HUNT .. .. 7
*ANTHONY R. KENCH .. .. 4	VICTOR GRIFFIN .. .. Tenor

Composed by PHILIP G. K. DAVIES.

Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

\* First peal in the method.

BRETFORTON, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Leonard.

On Fri., July 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, containing 1,440 Yorkshire, 1,280 each of Cambridge and Lincolnshire, and 1,120 Rutland; with 69 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. in F sharp.

VICTOR GRIFFIN .. .. Treble	†ANTHONY R. KENCH .. .. 5
*D. JOHN HUNT .. .. 2	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. 6
GILLIAN M. HUSSEY .. .. 3	ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. 7
†MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. 4	*GORDON W. LAND .. .. Tenor

Composed by PHILIP G. K. DAVIES.

Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

\* 25th peal together. † First of 4-Spiced.

HINTON-ON-THE-GREEN, Worcs.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Fri., July 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5152 WHITMINSTER SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb. in G.

MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. Treble	VICTOR GRIFFIN .. .. 5
ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. 2	*PETER BRIDLE .. .. 6
CAROLYN VIBERT .. .. 3	GORDON W. LAND .. .. 7
CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. 4	BRIAN BLADON .. .. Tenor

Composed by G. LEWIS.

Conducted by CYRIL A. WRATTEN.

\* 100th peal. First in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

CIRENCESTER, Glos.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity, Watermoor.

On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 ASHTEAD SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F.

PETER BRIDLE .. .. Treble	*VICTOR GRIFFIN .. .. 5
*ANTHONY R. KENCH .. .. 2	*CYRIL A. WRATTEN .. .. 6
†MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. 3	D. JOHN HUNT .. .. 7
*CAROLYN VIBERT .. .. 4	*BRIAN BLADON .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER.

Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

\* First peal in the method. † First in the method 'inside,' and 75th of Major.

## TWELVE AND TEN BELL PEALS

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

CITY OF LONDON.—At the Church of St. Michael, Cornhill.

On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 33 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 42 cwt. in B.

BROOKE K. LUNN .. .. Treble	JOHN CHILCOTT .. .. 7
ANDREW N. STUBBS .. .. 2	DAVID T. DARBY .. .. 8
WILLIAM T. COOK .. .. 3	MICHAEL P. MORETON .. .. 9
RAYMOND G. COUSINS .. .. 4	TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. .. 10
JOHN PHILLIPS .. .. 5	PHILIP A. F. CHALK .. .. 11
JOHN S. MASON .. .. 6	MICHAEL V. CHILCOTT .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by JOHN CHILCOTT.

Rung for the Festival of the City of London.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

MACCLESFIELD, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 3 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 26 cwt. 6 qr. 23 lb. in D.

ALAN A. POTTS .. .. Treble	ROBERT J. WARRILOW .. .. 7
DEREK YATES .. .. 2	HAROLD C. LONYON .. .. 8
BASIL JONES .. .. 3	FRANK OSBALDISTON .. .. 9
ALAN McFALL .. .. 4	EDWARD JENKINS .. .. 10
C. KENNETH LEWIS .. .. 5	A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. .. 11
JOHN WORTH .. .. 6	ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

An engagement compliment to the ringer of the fourth.



THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION  
WORSLEY, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Mark.  
On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**  
Tenor 24 cwt.

*JOHN BOOTH .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY DAVIES .. .. 6
JOHN ROBINSON .. .. 2	ALAN SHARPLES .. .. 7
SIDNEY HOUGH .. .. 3	DEREK BUTIERWORTH .. .. 8
DENIS MOTTERSHEAD .. .. 4	DEREK ASHTON .. .. 9
DAVID BAKER .. .. 5	NEIL LOMAS .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by DENIS MOTTERSHEAD.  
\* First peal on ten.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
EWERBY, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.  
On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5067 STEEDMAN CATERS**  
Tenor 15 cwt. 23 lb. in D.

JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. .. Treble	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. 6
ANNE E. BATESON .. .. 2	GEORGE H. RANGLES .. .. 7
JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. .. 3	HAROLD STEVENSON .. .. 8
NORAH M. RANGLES .. .. 4	JOHN WALDEN .. .. 9
GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. 5	PETER A. SHARP .. .. Tenor

Composed by DAVID E. PARSONS. Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
NORTH STONEHAM, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Nicolas.  
On Thurs., July 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS**  
Tenor 10 cwt. 44 lb. in G.

DAVID J. FORDER .. .. Treble	MALCOLM M. POWELL .. .. 6
R. ROGER SAVORY .. .. 2	FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 7
JOHN R. FAITHFULL .. .. 3	MAURICE J. BUTLER .. .. 8
STEPHEN KIRBY .. .. 4	DAVID E. HOUSE .. .. 9
JOHN H. TAYLOR .. .. 5	MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.  
R. Roger Savory has now 'circled the tower.'  
A farewell to the ringers of 5 and 6, who have graduated at Southampton University.

SOUTHAMPTON.—At the Church of St. Michael.  
On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 LINDSEY SURPRISE ROYAL**  
Tenor 16 cwt. 43 lb. in F.

DEREK C. JACKSON .. .. Treble	DAVID E. HOUSE .. .. 6
JOHN R. FAITHFULL .. .. 2	MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. .. 7
TOM CHAPMAN .. .. 3	MAURICE J. BUTLER .. .. 8
FRANK B. LUFKIN .. .. 4	DAVID J. FORDER .. .. 9
MARGARET E. CHAPMAN .. .. 5	R. ROGER SAVORY .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY (Circuit LU).  
Conducted by R. ROGER SAVORY.

First peal in the method in the county, and for the Guild, and by all the band except the ringer of the fourth.  
Rung in memoriam Frederick W. Rogers.

FAREHAM, Hampshire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.  
On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS**  
Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 27 lb.

*GILLIAN M. BOYD .. .. Treble	ALAN A. J. BUSWELL .. .. 6
RENEE STURGESS .. .. 2	*ROGER K. HAWKINS .. .. 7
†FRANCIS MITCHELL .. .. 3	S. ALAN SCOTT .. .. 8
‡JENNIFER M. TYACK .. .. 4	ALAN H. STURGESS .. .. 9
HAROLD A. NOBES .. .. 5	†CHARLES PHILPOT .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by ALAN H. STURGESS.  
\* First peal. † First of Caters. ‡ First of Caters 'inside.'  
Rung to celebrate the Patronal Festival.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
PORTISHEAD, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Peter.  
On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**  
Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

RONALD J. GALE .. .. Treble	S. ARTHUR READ .. .. 5
CHARLES G. JONES .. .. 2	DAVID A. BURT .. .. 6
GEOFFREY PULLEN .. .. 3	GEORGE J. HAWKINS .. .. 7
ALAN F. LEE .. .. 4	REV. ROGER O. FRY .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE. Conducted by GEORGE J. HAWKINS.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
ESHER, Surrey.—At Christ Church.  
On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5152 HERWARD BOB MAJOR**  
Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in A flat.

JOHN F. M. MAYBREY .. .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER D. J. WEBB .. .. 5
MARTIN PRESS .. .. 2	A. DAVID LEACH .. .. 6
MICHAEL J. BANGHAM .. .. 3	ANDREW PEARMAN .. .. 7
BRUCE B. ROGERS .. .. 4	A. PATRICK CANNON .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.  
First peal in the method in the county, for the Guild, and for all the band.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
FRINDSBURY, Kent.—At the Church of All Saints.  
On Fri., July 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 TURRAMURRA SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 17½ cwt. in E.

REGINALD E. LAMBERT .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. 5
TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. 2	ALEC W. FRY .. .. 6
*THOMAS E. SONE .. .. 3	MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 7
CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. 4	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD F. B. SPEED.  
Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.

\* 750th peal. First in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Association. Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

BRENCHLEY, Kent.—At the Church of All Saints.  
On Tues., July 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 17½ cwt. in E.

REGINALD E. LAMBERT .. Treble	TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. 5
THOMAS E. SONE .. .. 2	CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. 6
ROBERT T. LAMBERT .. .. 3	MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 7
*ERNEST J. LADD .. .. 4	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN. Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.  
\* First peal in the method.

FRINDSBURY, Kent.—At the Church of All Saints.  
On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. Treble	MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. 5
*HILARY F. MARTIN .. .. 2	DAVID S. OSENTON .. .. 6
ROBERT W. HINDE .. .. 3	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 7
ALEC W. FRY .. .. 4	CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN. Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.  
\* First peal of London S. Major. The tenor ringer has now 'circled the tower.'

NORTHFLEET, Kent.—At the Church of St. Botolph.  
On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 16½ cwt.

MARTIN L. HOWE .. .. Treble	CYRIL S. JARRETT .. .. 5
TREVOR A. CROSS .. .. 2	BERNARD F. L. GROVES .. 6
ARTHUR G. MASON .. .. 3	FREDERICK J. CULLUM .. .. 7
*JOHN W. SMITH .. .. 4	PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER. Conducted by FREDERICK J. CULLUM.  
\* First peal in the method.  
Rung immediately after the wedding of Miss Evelyn M. Butcher and Mr. Brian G. Powell, secretary and captain of the Northfleet band.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
DONINGTON, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Mary and the Holy Rood.

On Mon., June 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5120 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 14½ cwt.

DENIS WOODS .. .. Treble	DAVID S. OSENTON .. .. 5
RONALD C. NOON .. .. 2	CYRIL R. BURRELL .. .. 6
*ROGER D. BAILEY .. .. 3	GEORGE W. MASSEY .. .. 7
*RAYMOND H. DAW .. .. 4	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY. Conducted by GEORGE W. MASSEY.  
\* First peal in the method.

LONG SUTTON, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
On Mon., July 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5024 KENT SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

RAYMOND H. DAW .. .. Treble	DAVID S. OSENTON .. .. 5
EDWIN T. CHAPMAN .. .. 2	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. 6
ROGER D. BAILEY .. .. 3	GEORGE W. MASSEY .. .. 7
DENIS WOODS .. .. 4	CYRIL R. BURRELL .. .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by GEORGE W. MASSEY.  
First peal in the method by all the band. Tenor 15 cwt.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.  
WILLESDEEN, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
On Thurs., July 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5088 DENBIGH SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

MARTIN F. LOCK .. .. Treble	VERNON GREEN .. .. 5
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 2	G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 6
THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 3	JOHN HILL .. .. 7
ALICK CUTLER .. .. 4	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.  
First peal in the method (Corrigan, No. 93).

**DENBIGH SURPRISE MAJOR**  
38—38.6—12—36.14—14.5—16—7  
2nds place i.e. 4ths place bobs.  
Composition as for Harthill: 'R.W.', 8/7/1960; p. 472.



## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

WINDSOR, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.  
On Thurs., June 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Composition of 88 calls.	Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb.
FRANK T. BLAGROVE .. Treble	ERNEST E. GOSLING .. 5
MONICA M. BLAGROVE .. 2	JAMES BROOKS .. 6
WALTER L. C. BARLOW .. 3	A. JAMES GLASS .. 7
ALBERT C. WENBAN .. 4	SIDNEY BLYTH .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK T. BLAGROVE.

Rung by the Society of Windsor Youths for the Patronal Festival.

BURNHAM, Buckinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5152 NASHDOM IMPERIAL BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb. in F.

FRANCES PROCTOR .. Treble	MICHAEL HATCHETT .. 5
HOWARD OGLESBY .. 2	JENNIFER SCEENY .. 6
GORDON W. LIMMER .. 3	WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. 7
E. RUSSELL GOTHAM .. 4	ALAN R. PINK .. Tenor

Composed by EDWARD FRANCIS.

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

First peal in the method (Plain Major Collection, No. 368).

Rung in connection with the jubilee celebrations of the Abbey of Our Lady and St. Benedict, Nashdom.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

ERDINGTON, Birmingham.—At the Church of St. Barnabas.

On Tues., June 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. Parker's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 15½ cwt.
*WILLIAM T. SHELTON .. Treble	†JOHN R. INSLEY .. 5
†ALAN BURBIDG .. 2	†JAMES INSLEY .. 6
†MAURICE G. INGRAM .. 3	RICHARD C. INGRAM .. 7
WILLIAM J. V. CONDUCT .. 4	ALEC BRAGINGTON .. Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD C. INGRAM.

\* First peal away from tenor. † First in method.

Rung as a mark of respect for Canon W. S. Power, Vicar of Erdington for 27 years, on his retirement from the Ministry.

## THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

PUTNEY, London.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 NECHELLS SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in F.

DOREEN A. DEVERELL .. Treble	STANLEY G. PONTING .. 5
MIKAELA ERIK .. 2	JOHN S. BARNES .. 6
E. JANE SIBSON .. 3	NICHOLAS J. DAVIES .. 7
OLIVE D. TESTER .. 4	DEREK E. SIBSON .. Tenor

Composed by RICHARD F. B. SPEED. Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

First peal in the method by all the band.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

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

On Mon., June 29, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

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

Tenor 13½ cwt. in F sharp.

*LEONARD STILLWELL .. Treble	GEORGE FRANCIS .. 5
PATRICIA DISERENS .. 2	*†DEREK E. SIBSON .. 6
E. JANE SIBSON .. 3	RONALD F. DISERENS .. 7
†EDGAR R. RAPLEY .. 4	W. LESLIE WELLER .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN.

Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

\* 25th peal together. † 25th peal together.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

HULL, Yorkshire.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., May 23, 1964, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 26 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb.

*RICHARD D. GIBSON .. Treble	IAN G. CAMPBELL .. 5
†GRAHAM E. DREW .. 2	ARTHUR B. COOPER .. 6
†JANET I. PORTER .. 3	ROBIN H. ROGERS .. 7
GRAHAM K. SMITH .. 4	†DAVID S. JOHNSON .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. BURTON.

Conducted by DAVID S. JOHNSON.

\* First peal on the treble. † First peal. ‡ 25th peal. First of Major as conductor.

LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 4 lb. in F.

ROBIN BROWN .. Treble	JEFFREY P. COOPER .. 5
R. FRASER MACK .. 2	RONALD H. DOVE .. 6
*SHEILA A. CHINNERY .. 3	ALLAN WEAR .. 7
WILLIAM DIXON .. 4	C. BARRIE DOVE .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

\* First peal on eight bells.

An engagement compliment to Anthony E. Stamp and Miss Margot Woolrych, members of the local company.

LEEDS, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Matthew, Holbeck.

On Mon., July 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 22 lb. in G.

R. FRASER MACK .. Treble	RONALD H. DOVE .. 5
DINAH M. BLOW .. 2	ROBIN BROWN .. 6
ARNOLD COLE .. 3	JEFFREY J. FOX .. 7
ANTHONY E. STAMP .. 4	C. BARRIE DOVE .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

To welcome Aidan Michael, born July 3rd, son of the Vicar (Fr. P. G. Richards).

## CORRECTION

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## JARROM SURPRISE MINOR

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## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

STOGUMBER, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

*B. JARVIS .. Treble	*A. SOMERFIELD .. 4
W. SMITH .. 2	R. SOMERFIELD .. 5
R. PENNY .. 3	P. WATTS .. Tenor

Conducted by R. PENNY.

\* First peal. First as conductor.

Tenor 17½ cwt.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the Vicar (July 5th).

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

GLASBURY-ON-WYE, Breconshire.—At the Church of SS. Cynidr and Peter.

On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 14 methods: Three extents each of Rushall, All Saints, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Northrepps, Grandsire, Newborough, April Day, Seighford, Plain Bob, Kennington, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, Southrepps and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob. Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

H. LYNDON HATFIELD .. Treble	*JOHN W. HOPE .. 4
*†COLIN A. LEWIS .. 2	ROBERT A. HATCHER .. 5
MALCOLM T. JOHNS .. 3	REGINALD J. PREECE .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN W. HOPE.

\* 25th peal together. † 25th peal for the Guild.

Rung in memory of Mr. Charles Whittall, ringer and sexton at Glasbury for many years.

## THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CADOXTON-JUXTA-NEATH, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Catwg.

On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb.

GARETH A. JONES .. Treble	†PAUL M. EVANS .. 4
WILLIAM J. THOMAS .. 2	ELLIS N. THOMAS .. 5
*CHRISTOPHER RICKETTS .. 3	GWYN I. LEWIS .. Tenor

Conducted by GWYN I. LEWIS.

\* First peal of Minor.

Rung as a welcome to Rev. J. Lloyd, Vicar of the parish.

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## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

HINTON WALDRIST, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Margaret.  
On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 FLOWER DOUBLES

In nine methods/variations, being two extents of Campion and five each of Primrose, Violet, Buttercup, Wallflower, Cowslip, Honeysuckle, Bluebell and Daffodil.

GARTH PORTER .. .. Treble	GORDON L. BELCHER .. .. 3
ROY H. JONES .. .. 2	ALEC GAMMON .. .. 4
NOEL D. DEAM .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by NOEL D. DEAM.

First peal in the methods by all the band, and for the Guild.

A compliment to Gordon L. Belcher on winning the Victor Ludorum in the school sports.

NORTHLEIGH, Oxon.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents each of Double Oxford and St. Clement's Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 15 lb.

*EDWARD D. PATCHING .. Treble	†T. GEOFFREY HOLDEN .. 4
JAMES F. LIST .. .. 2	PETER G. HOLDEN .. 5
PETER PEARCE .. .. 3	D. KAY ADKINS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by D. KAY ADKINS.

\* First peal. † First peal 'inside.' First on the bells.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

NORTH MUSKHAM, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Wilfrid.  
On Fri., July 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (ten callings). Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb. in F sharp.

WILLIAM L. EXTON .. Treble	*HAROLD STEVENSON .. 4
KATHARINE BURCHNALL .. 2	F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER .. 5
GRACE BURCHNALL .. .. 3	CHARLES J. COPP .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM L. EXTON.

\* First peal of Stedman Doubles, and completes Stedman from Doubles to Cinques. 75th peal on the bells.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

BUCKLAND, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., June 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 5½ cwt.

*CHRISTOPHER BARNES .. Treble	*SALLY M. HOOPER .. .. 4
†MARGARET C. GODFREY .. 2	‡ERIC G. H. GODFREY .. 5
KEITH G. GAME .. .. 3	†WM. J. MUNTON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. MUNTON.

\* First peal. † First 'inside' in method. ‡ First in method. First as conductor.

## 5,120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

(18 methods)

By J. R. MAYNE

23456 M W H Methods

54632	—	—	3	East.Pains.Elf.Bris.Bris.
63542	—	—	—	Elf.Yorks.Rut.
56342	—	—	—	Ux.Sup.Wat.
35642	—	—	—	Wat.Sup.Ux.
64352	—	—	—	Rut. Ald. Wem.
36452	—	—	—	Eal.Yorks.Eal.
43652	—	—	—	Wem.Linc.Lind.
25634	—	—	—	Lind.Puds.Lon.
62534	—	—	—	Lon.Camb.East.
56234	—	—	—	Leath.Camb.Leath.

4 x repeated.

Contains 320 each of Bristol, Cambridge, Ealing, Eastcote, Elford, Leatherhead, Lindum, London, Rutland, Superlative, Uxbridge, Watford Wembley and Yorkshire and 160 each of Aldenham, Lincolnshire, Painswick and Pudsey, with 134 changes of method.

Rung at 170, Headstone Lane, Harrow, Middlesex, on handbells, June 5th, 1964.

By substituting Lincolnshire for Painswick, and Pudsey for Aldenham, the peal contains 320 each of 16 methods. Rung at 170, Headstone Lane, Harrow, on handbells on May 7th, 1964, and again at 39, Titian Avenue, Bushey Heath, on handbells, May 26th, 1964.

LONDON.—On July 5th, at St. Giles', Cripplegate, 1,263 Stedman Caters: J. Phillips (cond.) 1, Miss M. Powell 2, L. R. Smith 3, D. Bennett 4, A. Stubbs 5, W. Rawlings 6, W. Cook 7, T. Bailey 8, D. Randall 9, T. Setter 10.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

SWANSEA.—At Mor-Awelon, Lon Derw, Tycloch.

On Sun., July 5, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor size 14 in D.  
HAZEL WAY .. .. 1—2 | BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE (Cond.) 3—4  
J. ARTHUR HOARE .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method on handbells by all, and for the Guild.

SWANSEA.—At Mor-Awelon, Lon Derw, Tycloch.

On Sun., July 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 13 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5152 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 18 in G.

EDMUND J. MORRIS .. .. 1—2	J. ARTHUR HOARE .. .. 5—6
HAZEL WAY .. .. 3—4	BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 7—8

Composed and Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ST. ALBANS, Hertfordshire.—At 23, Blenheim Road.

On Mon., July 6, 1964, in 1 Hour and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In three methods, being one extent Double and Fulbeck and six Plain Bob (called differently). Tenor size 11 in G.

*BRIAN B. HULLAH .. .. 1—2	A. TREVOR HAWKINS .. 3—4
†GILES B. THOMPSON (Cond.)	5—6

\* First peal of two methods 'in hand.' † First of three methods 'in hand.'

A 21st birthday compliment to the conductor.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

HARROW, Middlesex.—At 170, Headstone Lane.

On Fri., July 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 13 methods, comprising 640 each of Bristol, Eastcote and Rutland, and 320 each of Cambridge, Ealing, Elford, Lincolnshire, London, Pudsey, Superlative, Watford, Wembley and Yorkshire; with 139 changes of method. Tenor size 24 in D sharp.

*THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 1—2	JOHN R. MAYNE .. .. 5—6
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY	3—4   FRANK C. PRICE .. .. 7—8

Composed and Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of 13-Spliced on handbells. † First of 13-Spliced. First peal on these handbells, owned by Frank Price: they are Dutch, and the size is about equivalent to our size 14.

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE  
BELLRINGERS' SOCIETY

Freedom from exams in the last week enabled the Society to enjoy a week of relaxation and ringing. On June 19th, six members revisited Hunsingore (6) to hear from the active 80-year-old verger that a team from Bradford Cathedral had visited the tower recently without much success! The College team fared probably worse — part of the second's wheel rim came off and the tenor's rope broke (fortunately, later, time was sufficient to allow a revisit and to effect the necessary repairs). At Kirk Deighton (6) a noisy tenor put some of the members off their stride.

On June 21st, the silent ring at St. Leonard's, Malton (8), was rung for an hour in the evening. The pre-war station wagon which the team were using caused a look of incredulity on the face of a sweating Malton policeman as it passed him on the way to Whitwell-on-the-Hill (6) where the recently restored six were rung in short bursts for nearly an hour. The team were then nobly entertained by Mr. Fox, the churchwarden, and his wife and daughter.

On June 22nd, six members attempted to score a peal of Plain Bob Minor at Bramham. The amazing thing was that the attempt started off without hitches and was going quite well until . . . approx. 2,800 changes and 'stand.' So it's up to next year's members to try and score the Society's first peal.

Finally, seven members and two non-ringing friends had an afternoon and evening tour on June 24th. The first tower visited was Wye-ham (5), where the bells hang in a detached

tower, which also acts as a gatehouse to the churchyard. Then to Scalby (6), where the Ringing Master failed miserably in trying to call a quarter peal in five Doubles. After an hour in the sun by the sea at Scarborough, the steps to St. Mary's Church were climbed and, joined by Bert Sutton and three of the Scarborough team: the eight bells were rung for an hour. Then came the run to Kirkby Moorside (6) where low sallies upset the ringing. A drink at the 'Black Swan' and fish-and-chips finished off a most enjoyable day (and also a very active first year). M. K.

## OBITUARY

## CHRISTINE CAROLYN GOLDEN

The whole Exercise will unite in sympathy with the President of Norwich Diocesan Association, Nolan Golden, and with Iris and Hilary, in the loss of Christine at the age of eighteen years.

She was proving a worthy daughter of a Diocesan president. She had been elected a member of the Association in March, 1957, and was making progress in Minor and Triples.

A gay and happy personality, she had many friends, amongst the Exercise, in the Norwich Union Insurance Society where she worked, and in the locality. During her illness, she never complained, and was indeed an inspiration to all who were able to see her.

May she rest in peace.—Gilbert Thurlow.

RUSHALL, STAFFS.—On June 27th, 2,049 Plain Bob Minor: Susan J. Devey 1, R. B. Dorrington (first of Minor 'inside') 2, P. J. Barker 3, D. J. Bates 4, P. R. Johnson 5, P. G. K. Davies (cond.) 6 First of Minor 1 and 5.



# QUARTER PEALS

## HALF PEAL

**ASHCOTT, SOMERSET.**—On June 25th, 2,520 Grandside Doubles: Joy Bagg (13) 1, Freda Prime 2, Angela French (13) 3, Janice Haggart (15) 4, K. Prime (cond.) 5, K. Cavill 6. Longest length for 1, 3, 4, 6. A birthday compliment to Joy and Angela.

**BALDOCK, HERTS.**—On July 5th, 1,260 Cambridge Surprise Major: A. Buck 1, E. Buck 2, D. Salisbury 3, M. Orme 4, S. Hutton 5, R. Castledine 6, P. Flack 7, C. Harwood (cond.) 8.

**BILSTON, STAFFS.**—On July 6th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: R. B. Dorrington 1, J. Wellings 2, Miss A. E. Timmins 3, E. E. Spade 4, J. Wilkinson 5, R. M. Hodister 6, J. D. Holden 7, P. G. K. Davies (cond.) 8. For Confirmation service.

**BROUGHTON, LANCs.**—On July 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Maryl R. Crossthwaite 1, Mrs. M. Crossthwaite 2, C. Crossthwaite (cond.) 3, W. K. Martin 4, G. S. Mellor (first quarter) 5, J. Jolleys 6.

**CADOXTON-JUNTA-NEATH, GLAM.**—On June 27th, 1,260 Doubles: B. R. Lewis 1, A. Boyce 2, G. I. Lewis (cond.) 3, B. Williams 4, J. Locke 5, D. J. Lewis 6.

**CANTERBURY, KENT.**—At the Cathedral on June 30th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: A. E. Davies (first quarter) 1, Mrs. D. C. Chatfield 2, Miss J. M. E. Dixon 3, B. J. Luck 4, D. L. Cawley (first of Major) 5, T. H. Holmes 6, T. C. Phillimore 7, D. A. Chapman (cond.) 8.

**COMPTON MARTIN, SOMERSET.**—On July 13th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: E. Lee 1, Monica Horsman 2, M. Heymann (first of Surprise) 3, G. Pullin 4, G. Marchant 5, J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 6.

**CROSTHWAITE, KESWICK, CUMBERLAND.**—On June 20th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: Miss M. E. Pearson 1, Mrs. L. Bumphrey 2, G. Tembey 3, H. Byrom 4, G. McKay 5, B. Street 6, E. Bumphrey (cond.) 8. First in the method for ringers of 1, 3 and 6. Rung after meeting two short for a peal of Bob Major, ringers of 2 and 7 kindly standing in.

**CROYDON, SURREY.**—On July 5th at the Church of St. John the Baptist, 1,260 Grandside Triples: Christine Snelling (first on eight) 1, R. A. Yeates 2, K. Taber 3, I. M. Parry 4, N. D. Brown 5, R. C. Stevens 6, F. E. Collins (cond.) 7, R. Davies 8.

**FARDISLEY, HEREFORDS.**—On July 8th, 1,260 Grandside Doubles: A. J. Hatcher 1, Mrs. M. J. Hope 2, R. Chillingford 3, F. N. Istance 4, R. A. Hatcher (cond.) 5, R. Langford 6. Ring half-muffled in memoriam J. Prime, chairman and former ringer.

**FRW VAE, MON.**—On June 28th, 1,344 Grandside Triples (by B. D. Price): T. Stephens 1, B. Werry 2, Mrs. J. Evans 3, R. Stephens 4, Mrs. A. Bruten 5, A. Evans 6, J. Alsop 7, D. Bruten 8.

**EPSOM COMMON, SURREY.**—On June 28th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: Sally Parrott 1, D. J. K. Paul (first inside) 2, P. J. Munday (first of Minor) 3, W. Parrott 4, D. J. Herschell (cond.) 5, W. J. Munton 6.

**FOWNHOPE, HEREFs.**—On July 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: G. T. Cousins 1, Angela Jay (first quarter) 2, P. D. Sell 3, Julie A. V. Caligari 4, J. F. I. Turney (cond.) 5, K. V. Caligari 6. For Evensong.

**FROME, SOMERSET.**—On June 28th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: N. T. Abbott 1, Frances M. Massey 2, Eunice D. Overend 3, D. A. Burt 4, D. G. Massey 5, R. E. J. Baker 6, D. T. H. Robertson 7, G. W. Massey (cond.) 8. For the Patronal Festival.

**HARLESTONE, NORTHANTS.**—On June 21st, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Mrs. G. F. Roome 1, L. Earl 2, Miss J. A. Downing 3, R. G. Chater 4, A. R. Jones (cond.) 5, G. F. Roome 6. For the wedding of Jim C. Rainbow and Wendy A. George.

**HENBURY, BRISTOL.**—On July 5th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: J. Tyers 1, V. J. Williams 2, R. Huddleston 3, D. Huddleston 4, B. Huddleston 5, J. A. Bennett (cond.) 6. For Patronal Festival Evensong, and also to mark the 50th anniversary of rehanging the bells.

**KINGSWOOD, SURREY.**—On July 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Afield 1, B. Sagers 2, A. J. Bull 3, G. A. West 4, K. G. Game 5, A. Streeter (cond.) 6. A compliment to Graham Clark and Jennifer Hurden who were married this day.

**LEIGH, LANCs.**—On July 5th, 1,260 Grandside Doubles: Janet Taylor 1, Valerie E. Watts 2, P. Gregory (first inside) 3, Margaret E. Fort 4, J. Asbroft (cond.) 5, W. Davies 6. A compliment to Rev. J. T. Finney and Miss Barbara Cook, married the previous day.

**LEYTONSTONE, ESSEX.**—On June 28th, 1,260 Siedman Triples: J. Crampion (cond.) 1, D. Baker 2, Miss P. Fox 3, J. McPhail 4, Miss V. Hester 5, R. Smith 6, L. Fox 7, C. Hughes 8. For Diocean Sunday.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes, on July 12th, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: J. Tomsett 1, M. Hatchett 2, C. A. Hughes 3, A. M. Stacey 4, D. Highton 5, M. Sprackling 6, A. Fulwell 7, W. G. Wilson (cond.) 8. First in method 4 and 7. For Matins.

**LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICS.**—At the Foundry, on June 22nd, 2,080 Plain Bob Major: Rev. M. C. C. Melville (cond.) 1, R. A. G. Benfield 2, G. A. Dawson 3, J. C. Shonfield 4, M. Poppleston 5, D. W. Friend 6, B. Siedman Payne 7, R. G. Edwards 8.

**LYMPHAM, SOMERSET.**—On July 8th, 1,260 Minor (Double Court, Plain Bob): E. T. Lee 1, Miss M. Legg 2, D. G. Yeo 3, J. Brain 4, G. Prescott 5, Rev. P. N. Bond (cond.) 6.

**OCKHAM, SURREY.**—On July 12th, 1,260 Grandside Doubles: Joyce Drury 1, J. Bills 2, Elizabeth K. Goddard 3, R. L. Caporn 4, A. D. Leach (cond.) 5. Rung for Parish Communion.

**ORSETT, ESSEX.**—On July 5th, 1,260 Antelope Doubles: Mrs. D. G. Mayell 1, Miss J. E. M. Hills 2, S. D. Holdaway (first in the method) 3, D. G. Mayell (cond.) 4, T. G. Hull 5, F. W. Blatch 6.

**FENN, WOLVERHAMPTON.**—On June 27th, 1,260 Grandside Triples: G. F. Griffiths 1, Pamela Garbett 2, D. G. Smith 3, J. A. Roden 4, Gillian M. Griffiths 5, T. Roden 6, C. Griffiths (cond.) 7, C. F. W. Eyre 8.

**PRESTON, LANCs.**—On July 12th, 1,263 Siedman Caters: Mrs. M. Crossthwaite 1, E. Bennett 2, Maryl R. Crossthwaite 3, Jean M. Pailing 4, G. A. Dimmock 5, C. Crossthwaite (cond.) 6, P. J. Crossthwaite 7, J. H. Pailing 8, W. K. Martin 9, A. Gardner 10. Rung to mark the installation of the Vicar, Rev. J. M. W. Adams, as a Canon of Blackburn.

**PUTNEY, LONDON.**—On July 12th, 1,260 Grandside Doubles: Brenda Wood 1, A. R. Millidge 2, B. J. Bull 3, D. C. Brookes 4, C. F. Mew 5, Christine M. Cobb 6. Rung silent and non-conducted. For Evensong.

**RIPPLE, WORCS.**—On June 20th, 1,260 Grandside Doubles: A. Bennett 1, R. Hill 2, Miss J. Gainey 3, C. Hayling (cond.) 4, B. Splers 5, J. Bennett 6, A. silver wedding compliment to Mr and Mrs. W. Gainey, parents of ringer of 3rd.

**ST. BEES, CUMBERLAND.**—On July 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Anne Freeman (first quarter) 1, Barbara M. Watson 2, G. Tembey 3, J. A. Haile 4, C. F. Gates 5, H. Wilson (cond.) 6, J. G. Eilbeck cover. Arranged for the treble ringer and rung for the 15th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Eilbeck; also a birthday compliment to Miss Elizabeth Murray.

**SAMBLESBURY, LANCs.**—On July 9th, 1,260 Grandside Triples: Mary R. Crossthwaite (cond.) 1, Mrs. M. Crossthwaite 2, Betty Fauch 3, L. Walmaley 4, P. J. Crossthwaite 5, C. Crossthwaite 6, A. Gardner 7, E. A. McElroy (first quarter) 8. Rung to welcome the new vicar, Rev. G. Bartlett.

**SHEPESH, LEICS.**—On July 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: T. Hodgkinson 1, J. E. Manners 2, Miss M. Barras 3, M. Roberts 4, G. Butler 5, E. Walley 6, C. W. Hall (cond.) 7, R. Rossell 8. For Sunday School anniversary Evensong.

**SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP, SOMERSET.**—On July 5th, 1,260 Grandside Doubles: Rev. P. R. Shepherd (first quarter) 1, F. Welch 2, J. Cornelius (cond.) 3, R. Welch 4, R. C. Beale 5, K. Welch 6. For Evensong.

**SLOUGH, BUCKs.**—On July 5th, 1,260 Grandside Triples: D. P. Hilling (cond.) 1, Yvonne Patheyjohns (first of Grandside 'inside') 2, Pamela Jervis 3, B. T. Lister 4, F. R. Scott 5, G. R. Shedden 6, J. K. Ward 7, R. Foster 8. Rung for Patronal Festival service attended by the Mayor and Corporation.

**TENTERDEN, KENT.**—On July 4th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: N. J. Davies 1, Hilary F. Martin 2, R. W. Hinde 3, P. T. Dale 4, F. Hogan 5, G. B. Thompson (cond.) 6, J. Robinson 7, S. G. Waters 8. A compliment to the conductor, born in this parish 21 years ago. Rung after meeting late for a peal.

**WATFORD, HERTS.**—On July 5th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss S. M. Holland 1, G. C. Aven 2, W. G. Paul 3, R. G. Smith 4, B. B. Hullah (cond.) 5, M. Hatchett 6, R. E. Hardy 7, G. W. Seaman 8. For Evensong. Also as a compliment to 7 on obtaining his degree.

## OUTINGS

### KINGSTON'S WEEKEND IN SHREWSBURY

The perennial Kingston week-end opened in Shrewsbury this year, under the guidance of Margaret Lewis. At Wroxeter (6) on Saturday morning we collected Michael Bangham and his non-ringing mother who, plunged into campanulogistics, contracted out by falling down and retiring temporarily to hospital. Irrepressible Fred Dukes and his family augmented us to 24 at Coalbrookdale, and the date echoed back our Double Norwich Caters on these attractive bells. Ambition thus whetted and lunch-time thirsts slaked, four-spliced Surprise Major was rung at Madeley before fitting five towers comfortably into as many hours. Perhaps the most outstanding visit was to the largely Rudhall eight at Much Wenlock. Culturally however, the crown went to Stokesay and its 13th century fortified manor house next to the church.

Kingston Treble Bob Minor was dutifully rung at Hope Bowdler. Here Stanley Crouch's newly-affiliated Pauline and her Horsell (Woking) contingent showed us what Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob Doubles meant. Not so similarly, Tony Bishop made us demonstrate later what could be done with Surfleet.

Devious entertainments followed supper, handbells being amongst the more commonplace. But an early start on Sunday morning was rewarded by a ring on Shrewsbury's fine ten and twelve bell rings at St. Mary's and St. Chad's—surely the highlights of the trip. Lunch at the Red Lion outside Wellington was preceded by half an hour's handbell ringing on the lawn in brilliant sunshine, and then we made for the six at Tong, with its 2½ ton Bourdon bell. We were now homeward bound, and brought the evening to a colourful close with six-spliced Surprise Major for service at Shirley, Warwickshire. Thus from Doubles to Siedman Cinques, the range of methods had been full enough for everyone's desires.

Our sincere thanks are due to Margaret Lewis for her organisation, and we wish her well in her new tower, Farnborough (Hants). We are also indebted to the incumbents and hands of all the towers visited, for a thoroughly enjoyable week-end. W. H. J.

### ITCHINGFIELD, SUSSEX

St. Nicolas', Itchingfield, ringers and their friends from the neighbouring towers of Billingshurst, Warnham, Horsham and West Grinstead chose East Sussex for their first outing this year. As we have only a light five bell tower, we were grateful to have a number of experienced ringers with us and, in fact, the ringing ranged from rounds to Surprise methods.

Our 41 seater coach was somewhat delayed by traffic and was unfortunately a little late at the first and best tower of the day at Wadhurst. However, we left late rather than curtail our ringing time, and made up lost time on the way to Bodiam. Resisting the temptation to see over the castle, we eventually found the picturesque little church, with its light six.

Our able secretary, Mrs. K. Hoare, had arranged tea at Batemans, the National Trust owned home of Kipling. Alas, we lost about half the party here temporarily, the attractions of Kipling's home proving irresistible to the less bell-struck of our party. The remainder adjourned to Burwash Church, where some of the best ringing of the afternoon was had.

At Heathfield the long draught caused a little difficulty, and Mayfield, the last tower, was not really suitable for beginners, but the more experienced met the challenge with a couple of fairly good touches. Certainly, these two towers taught our younger ringers that there is a big gap in experience between the ability to make pleasing music on one's own bells and that of being able to strike a strange bell well.

We look forward now to our main outing on September 19th, which will be a full day in Kent. C.M.G.



## NOTICES

### Scale Of Charges

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### MARRIAGE

CLAYDEN—WALLER.—On July 11th, 1964, at Oxford. Paul Malcolm Ludlow Clayden, of Henley-on-Thames, to Lynda Muriel Waller, eldest daughter of Charles and Barbara Ashton Waller, of Shiplake-on-Thames. 5025

### HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION

ST. IVES, CORNWALL. LINDSAY COURT, CARBIS BAY.—Comfortable guest house in own beautiful grounds. H and C., new divans all rooms, car park, TV. Highly recommended. A.A. listed. Bed and breakfast, evening dinner (optional) vacancies from mid-August. S.A.E. brochure.—Mr. and Mrs. C. Holaway. Phone 592. 5032

### HANDBELLS FOR SALE

Set of 42 Handbells for sale. Tenor size 18 in E; by Mears.—Cope, 239, Barton Road, Barton Seagrave, Kettering. 5035

### HANDBELLS WANTED

WANTED, set of Handbells (preferably 12), for simple tune ringing. Please send particulars of description and price to FitzGerald, Forde Park School, Newton Abbot, Devon. 5040

### PUBLICATIONS

'THE CHURCH BELLS OF GUERNSEY, ALDERNEY AND SARK.'—90 pages, bound red cloth, with 23 plates and 14 scale drawings in the text. Price 8s. 6d. Also, a limited number of 'THE CHURCH BELLS OF RADNORSHIRE' 10s., and a few copies only of 'OXFORDSHIRE' £2 2s. each. All post free. To be obtained from the author: Frederick Sharpe, 'Derwen', Launton, Bicester, Oxon.

### PERSONAL

'Take my joke upon you, and learn of me, for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.' (St. Matthew xi, 29)

### MISCELLANEOUS

PEAL CARDS and QUARTER PEAL CARDS, minimum 12 in set, price 7s. 6d. post free. For quarter peal cards, second copy written out in style of a peal is essential.—'The Ringing World' Office, Guildford.

### MEETINGS

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Advanced practice at Farnham on July 23rd, 7.30-9 p.m. 5024

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cary Branch.—Quarterly meeting, July 25th, Cucklington (6). Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Stoke Trister (6) after tea.—L. McCreadie, Level Lane, Charlton Horethorne, Sherborne, Dorset. 5033

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Axbridge Branch.—Quarterly meeting Compton Bishop (6) Saturday, July 25th. Bells 2.30 p.m., Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business to follow.—M. Legg, Hon. Secretary. 5031

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Branch.—Practice meeting, Bagborough, July 25th. Bells 6.45 p.m.—A. H. Reed, Hon. Sec. 5033

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—Quarterly meeting Dunstable, Saturday July 25th. Bells 8, 3 p.m. Short service 4.30. Tea own arrangements, 5 p.m. Business in bellry at 6. Ringing afterwards. 5037

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wirral Branch.—Upton (Birkenhead), July 25th. Bells (5) 2.45 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea FREE for those notifying by Thursday previous.—Alexander J. Martin, 28, Glenmore Road, Oxtou, Birkenhead. 5021

### BACK NUMBERS

'The Ringing World' has received a very generous gift of back numbers dating from 1919 to 1959. While some are brown with the passing of years, the majority are clean and serviceable. We propose to offer these to readers who want to complete their files. The charge will be 8d. per copy post free.

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Derby District.—Meeting at Sudbury (6), Saturday, July 25th, 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Dis. Sec., M. A. Willis, 33, Gisborne Close, Mickleover, Derby. 5000

DEVON GUILD.—North-West Branch.—Summer meeting, Saturday, July 25th, at Northam. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m., also Bideford (8) in the evening at 7 o'clock. All visitors welcome.—R. Pearce, Sec. 5014

DONCASTER & DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Tickhill Saturday July 25th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names to Mr. Cannings, 8, Northgate, Tickhill. 5034

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Meeting at Ottershaw on Saturday, July 25th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. approx. Names for tea, please, to Mr. R. Pashley, 73, Hare Hill, Addlestone, Weybridge. 5013

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Next meeting, Guiseley, Saturday, July 25th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Names for tea, by previous Thursday, please, to Mr. A. C. Walsh 'Dunster', Oxford Avenue, Guiseley, Leeds. 5030

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Melton District.—Meeting at Buckminster on Saturday, July 25th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. M. Stimson, Somerley, Melton Mowbray. 5042

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hinckley District.—Meeting Cosby Saturday, July 25th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. Names for tea please by the Wednesday previous to Mr. K. Needham, 17, Narborough Road, Cosby, Leicester.—M. Vernon, Dis. Sec. 5042

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Saturday, July 25th. Horton, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea, please, Slough 7-9 p.m.—Miss Hague, 6, Stompius Road, Holyport, Maidenhead. 5003

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Rutland Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Preston (6), Saturday, July 25th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to W. C. A. Clark, Middle Street, Winge. 4975

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Central District.—Meeting at Helmingham (8), July 25th, 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea at Framdsen Village Hall 3 p.m., limited to those applying to Mr. L. Brett, Framdsen, Stowmarket, Suffolk. Evening ringing at Framdsen (8).

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Division.—Practice meeting at Beckley (6) and Iden (6) on July 25th. Beckley 3 till 4.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Iden 6.15 till 8 p.m. Names for tea, please, to I. Smith, Sec., 37, Wellington Gardens, Battle. 4981

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Portsmouth District.—Quarterly meeting, St. Peter's, Curdridge, July 25th. Bells 3 till 8.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 n.m. in Reading Room. Names for tea to Mrs. Pritchard, 'The Burns', Lake Road, Curdridge, please.—L. Duguid. 5001

### KIRBY-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX, RINGERS' SUNDAY, July 26th, 1964.

Ring and Services: 7.30-8 a.m. Holy Communion; 10-11 a.m. Matins; 5-6.30 p.m. Evensong. Gathering in Church Hall after Evensong. Other ringing can be arranged for parties attending, and free breakfast after Holy Communion, to those who notify Frank B. Lufkin, 108, Salisbury Road, Holland-on-Sea, Clacton, Essex. COME AND JOIN US—EVERYONE WELCOME. 5004

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Forthcoming practices all commencing 6.30 p.m.:—July 28th, St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside; August 4th, St. Andrew's, Holborn; August 11th Southwick Cathedral.—John Chilcott. 5020

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Meeting at Seale (6), Saturday, August 1st, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Miss D. O'Connell, Syulth Cottage, Seale, Farnham. 5038

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leicester District.—Meeting August 1st at Newtown, Lintford. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea not later than Wednesday, July 29th to A. J. Poyner, 31, Marsden Lane, Aylestone, Leicester.—Dist. Sec. 5039

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—Quarterly meeting at Withyham, Saturday, August 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names for tea by Wednesday, July 29th, to Mrs. E. L. Hairs, Hon. Sec., Norman Cottage, Park Corner, Groomsbridge, Tel. 438. 5023

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Christchurch District.—Practice meeting Saturday, August 1st. Sopley (6) 3.30-5. Christchurch Priory (12) from 6.15. Please make own arrangements for tea.—L. F. Cobb, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5043

SURREY ASSOCIATION (Northern District) and GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Leatherhead District)—Joint meeting at Leatherhead on Monday, August 3rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. for those who notify Mr. G. Marriner, 6, Leach Grove, Leatherhead Surrey, by July 30th. Ashstead bells available 3-4 p.m. 5022

BARNSELY DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Joint meeting with Southern District, Yorkshire Association on Saturday, August 8th, Royston (6) 2 p.m., Felkirk and Barnsley 7 p.m. For tea please notify not later than August 3rd. Miss Sheila Chinnery, 43, West Pinfold, Royston, Barnsley.—J. W. Buxton. 5026

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Meeting on Saturday, August 8th, at Shipbourne (6) 3.0-5.0 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Seal Chart (6) 6.30-8.30 p.m. Names for tea by August 6th to C. W. Hancock, 116, Higham Lane, Tonbridge, Kent. 5027

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—The postponed quarterly meeting will be held at Lamberhurst on Saturday, August 8th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Names for tea, please, by Wednesday, August 5th.—W. H. Dobbie, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5029

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Frome Branch

The second quarterly meeting of the Branch was held at Compton Dando on July 11th. Ringing started at 3 p.m. after search parties had been formed to locate the whereabouts of the Ringing Master who, after leading two of his comrades three miles up the wrong lane, was last seen walking across a field toward the wrong church. On his arrival some 15 minutes later, ringing maintained a somewhat steadier pattern culminating in an excellent service touch at 4.30.

The Rev. A. J. Frith conducted the service and tea followed in the village hall. At the business meeting six towers in the branch proposed eleven new members and nine non-resident life members were put forward for election, all being accepted.

Members then stood in silence to mark the passing of the Rev. W. M. K. Warren, past Master of the Association. The annual general meeting was fixed for Midsomer Norton, all facilities being available. Mr. F. Savage in proposing the usual vote of thanks specially mentioned Mrs. Frith and her helpers for an excellent tea. Ringing on handbells and in the tower then continued until 8.30 p.m.

Next quarterly, Doulting, October 10th.

D. T. H. R.

### DEATH

ROGERS.—Suddenly on Sat. July 18th, 1964, at 4, Big Yard, Wallasey, Cheshire, Harry, dearly loved husband of Florrie. Over 30 years a ringer at St. Nicholas', Wallasey. 5044



# MR. CLAUDE RUSH DELVES INTO 'CHURCH BELLS'

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## ST. MARTIN'S, DORKING, SURREY

The fine ring has lately (i.e., to January 5th, 1878) been hung in the new tower by Messrs. Hooper and Stokes, of Woodbury, near Exeter, running for the first time on December 21st, 1877. 'The tenor weighs about 25 cwt.'

Nov. 18, 1878.—5,040 Grandsire Triples, 3 hrs. 20 mins. 'First peal on the bells since they were placed in the new tower.'

## ALL SAINTS', OTLEY, YORKS.

Dec. 15, 1877.—8,000 Kent T.B. Major in 4 hrs. 28 mins. Tenor 16 cwt. J. W. Snowdon conducted on the tenor. '... the first true exact 8,000 of Treble Bob Major which has ever been composed or rung without parting the tenors ...'

## ST. MARY'S, LEWISHAM, KENT

Dec. 15, 1877.—Eight members of the Society of Lewisham Youths: 5,040 Holt's Ten-Part Grandsire Triples, in 2 hrs. 52 mins. Tenor 22½ cwt. Rung to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the rebuilding of the church and casting of the tenor.

## AMERICAN CATHEDRALS

John Harris, writing from Bath, on Christmas Eve, 1877: '... the only American cathedral like a British one was that of the diocese of Long Island at Garden City, now (1877) in course of erection at the sole expense of Mrs. Alexander T. Stewart (draper's widow) in memory of her husband ... an outlay of £400,000. In the bell-chamber will be placed the chime of bells which were used in the machinery hall of the Centennial Exhibition—thirteen in number, weighing altogether 20,000 lbs., tenor D flat, 35 cwt., all cast by M'Shane, American founder ... I only found one set that could be rung, the eight at Christ Church, Philadelphia, cast Whitechapel, 1754, tenor 18 cwt. ... The only peal ever rung in the States was at this church, June 9th, 1850, by nine Englishmen ... New York diocese has no cathedral ... the heaviest bell seems to be at Strong Place Baptist Church, D flat, 36 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb., cast by Meneelys, of West Troy, 1855.'

## ALL SAINTS', FULHAM

Grandsire Caters, 26 Dec., 1877.—'The bells struck off into changes at 12.25. Some excellent ringing was heard till eight o'clock, when the conductor (J. W. Cattle) called "Stand," two bells having changed courses two leads previous.' The number of changes rung was 11,412—7 hours 35 minutes. Royal Cumberland Society (late London Scholars).

## ST. DIONIS' BACKCHURCH,

## FENCHURCH STREET, LONDON

8 Jan., 1878.—5,200 Kent T.B. Royal, 3½ hours. Ancient Society of College Youths. 'This is the last peal that will be heard from the above tower, as both church and tower are to be taken down in the course of the year.'

In 'Church Bells' in September, a report showed that the church was demolished, but the tower still stood. Mr. R. Payne, architect, suggested that the tower should be purchased by St. Botolph's, Aldersgate, 'and erected in lieu of the mean and unsightly structure of wood which now serves as the tower for the church.'

'The ring of bells from St. Dionis' are destined, we believe, for the neighbouring Church of All Hallows, Lombard Street ...'

## MILEHAM, NORFOLK

Tues., 8 Dec., 1877.—Special services, 8 and 11 a.m., and 7 p.m. to celebrate the opening of the new ring of bells. The four old bells, tenor cracked, had been taken down and disposed of, wisely or unwisely (the two trebles were cast by Draper in 1610 and 1608), and had been replaced by a new ring of five, tenor 7½ cwt., by Warner. A new floor and cage had been made for them by Crane and Son, of Fransham, and on the day of the opening they went well.

## ST. CHAD'S HEADINGLEY, LEEDS

22 Dec., 1877.—5,056 Kent T.B. Major in 3 hours 8 minutes. Although these bells have for some time been augmented to eight, they have never before been fit for peal-ringing ... this being the first peal attempted.' Tenor 19 cwt. Conductor, Jasper W. Snowdon.

## ST. ANN'S, WATH-UPON-DEARN

'On Shrove Tuesday, 27 Feb., 1816, was rung ... 21 Peals (720's) ... making in all 15,120 changes which were brought round in a grand and Masterly Style in Eight Hours and twenty-seven minutes without a man quitting his Rope ... 6 bells.'

## SS. MARY AND EANSWYTHE,

## FOLKESTONE, KENT

Sunday, 17 Dec., 1815.—5,040 Bob Major, 3 hours 5 minutes, 'being the maiden peal on these bells.'

## KELSEALE, SUFFOLK

'On 2 April, 1832, was completed on the pre-eminent Peal of Eight Bells ... 6,016 changes of Oxford Treble Bob Major in 3 hours, 52 mins., being the first and only extraordinary changes ever completed on this Peal. They were performed by the Kelsale Society of Youths who had experienced only eight months' practice under the meritorious instruction of Benjamin Oldring ...'

## CATHEDRAL CLOCK, BELLS AND

## CHIMES AT WORCESTER

'The Dean and Chapter desire to express their deep sense of obligation to Rev. R. Cattle, for his unwearied exertions in raising no less a sum than £5,000 for these important objects ... 27 Nov., 1877.'

## MILTON-NEXT-SITTINGBOURNE, KENT

'A few days since (i.e., to 12 Jan., 1878) the fine tenor bell was cracked, owing to the clapper having worked down and so struck the bell too low. We have heard of other bells being cracked in the same way, owing to the neglect of not occasionally examining the clapper gear.'

## ST. PAUL'S, SHIPLEY, YORKS.

5 Jan., 1878.—Quarterly meeting of the Yorkshire Association. Peal of 5,184 changes (? method) in the morning. 'At five o'clock more than 300 ringers sat down to tea ...'

Apparently the next meeting, at Leeds, would have normally taken place in Lent so it was postponed.

This brought a note from the Editor.—'We hope the above example of not ringing pleasure peals during Lent will be followed by other associations.' The Editor repeatedly lashes out right and left to those who ring for pleasure during Lent, such as the footnote by him to a peal entry by the Ancient Society of College Youths—21 Mar., 1878, 5,040 Grandsire Triples at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, in 2 hours 59 minutes: 'Cannot our belfry friends in London and elsewhere practise a little self-denial during Lent, as is being done by eminent ringers in the North? An example worthy of imitation.'

And again: 'Friendly Hint to our Ringing Friends Generally. Will you, one and all, take into consideration—unbiased by any party feelings—the propriety of ringing pleasure peals during the season of Lent ...'

## ST. PHILIP'S, HULME, MANCHESTER

24 Dec., 1877.—5,040 Holt's Ten-Part Grandsire Triples, 2½ hours, 'it being the first peal ever rung on those bells by a company all connected with the church.' Ringers aged 19 to 25.

## KEIGHLEY PARISH CHURCH

'On Christmas morning, 1877, immediately the clock struck twelve midnight, 720 changes of Bob Minor were rung in 27 minutes ... tenor 15 cwt. The ringers volunteered their services two years ago after the bells had stood several months because the Rector refused to let them be rung for the successful candidates of the School Board. We would say to others who would become ringers "Never despair!" for time and patience overcome difficulties as in our case.'

SS. PETER AND PAUL, EYE, SUFFOLK  
5 Jan., 1878.—'An excellent peal of 5,280 Kent T.B. Major in 3 hours 38 minutes.'

A correspondent, 'A College Youth' in the next issue of 'Church Bells' remarks, 'It would be satisfactory to know in what respect the peal of Kent T.B. at Eye on 5th inst. was "an excellent peal".'

(I see no reply to this in later issues.—C.R.)

## CHURCH BELLS—WHAT DO THEY SAY?

An S.P.C.K. leaflet sets out what the Society considers are the proper occasions on which bells should be rung, then goes on—'In old and careless times church bells came to be rung on occasions where there was no thought of God—at sales, fairs, wakes, or feasts, where drinking and swearing, lust and all ungodliness and folly prevailed, as they do sometimes still. This cannot be right ... It is to prevent the wrong use of church bells that the care of them is entrusted to the clergyman of the parish, and he will gladly allow them to be rung on any occasion which is to the honour and glory of God.'

## CLERGY AND RINGERS

J. R. Jerram, a correspondent, asks: 'As a matter of curiosity, may I ask what is your opinion of a parson who neither knows or cares about change-ringing; subscribes about 30/- annually to the ringers' fund; never enters the belfry at ringing times; gives several suppers and breakfasts to the ringers in the course of the year; likes to hear the bells on festivals, but thinks that ringing for practice at any other time all "bosh" (though he does not prohibit it); is very particular about the liquor question, takes a great interest in the choir and attends weekly at their practice; dislikes his ringers ringing anywhere else than at home, and objects to any non-parishioner being a ringer; thinks money spent on repairs to bell-gear all wasted; never comes near the ringers even at the suppers of his own providing (except once a year when the choir are included); expects all his ringers, nevertheless, to be model churchmen; thinks chiming much better than ringing, and consequently regards the steeple-keeper as the only one of the company of any real use?'

(I see no comment in subsequent issues.—C.R.)

## IPSWICH SOCIETY OF CHANGE-RINGERS

17 Jan., 1878.—1,061 Grandsire Caters in 50 minutes. Tenor 32 cwt.—not mentioned, but, of course, at St. Mary-le-Tower.

'It will be seen that the above is no great skilful performance, but it is recorded merely to show the progress made since the formation of the Company about 12 months ago, at which time they were scarcely able to ring a course of Grandsire Triples, but through the kindness and perseverance of the old members, several young bands have been raised that are now able to acquit themselves creditably in various methods; so that, at last, it seems probable that this fine ring of 12 bells will have attached to them a good band of ringers which they so richly deserve ...'

## SAMUEL AND ROBERT TURNER, BELLHANGERS

By 1770 these two brothers had hung more than 50 ringers of bells for Lester and Pack, Whitechapel. They were employed all over England.

## ST. PETER'S, THETFORD, NORFOLK

3 May, 1875.—'This peal of 8 Bells were Rehung and Returned to the Glory of God and the Honour of His Church by the exertions of the Rev. Reginald Hay Hill, Rector. The repairs were carried out most efficiently by Messrs. George Day and Son, Church Bell-hangers, of Eye.'

## MONK BRETTON, BARNSELY, YORKS

12 April, 1878, opening of a ring of six 'magnificently presented by Miss Bright, of Monk Bretton, as a loving memorial to her two sisters. The first essay on the bells took place at ten o'clock by ringers from the adjoining parish of Royston ... Mr. T. Mallaby, of Marsham, to whom the hanging of the ring was entrusted ... superintended the whole series of performances. The village ... was in a state of pleasurable and grateful excitement the whole evening up to ten o'clock. The ringers from St. Mary, Barnsley, came twice on Sunday, 14th ...'

(The Editor added a note asking why so much pleasure afforded in the Lenten season.)

## WEST BROMWICH, STAFFS

16 Mar., 1878, at Mr. Carter's, Churchfield, Holt's Original One-Part peal of Grandsire Triples on handbells in 2 hours 35 minutes, 'the first ever rung in the county upon handbells.'

(To be continued)



**5,120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

By J. R. MAYNE

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63542	— — —	Lon.Y.East.	Eal.S.Lon.
56342	— — —	R.Linc.Lon.	Wat.C.Lon.
35642	— — —	Lon.Linc.R.	Lon.Linc.Wat.
64352	— — —	East.P.Lon.	Lon.P.R.
36452	— — —	East.S.East.	East.S.East.
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9 methods; contains 1,120 each of London and Rutland, 640 each of Bristol and Eastcote, and 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire, with 129 changes of method.

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12 methods; contains 640 each of Bristol, Eastcote, London and Rutland, 320 each of Cambridge, Ealing, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative, Watford, Wembley and Yorkshire, with 139 changes of method.

Rung at same address, April 24th, and June 16th, 1964.

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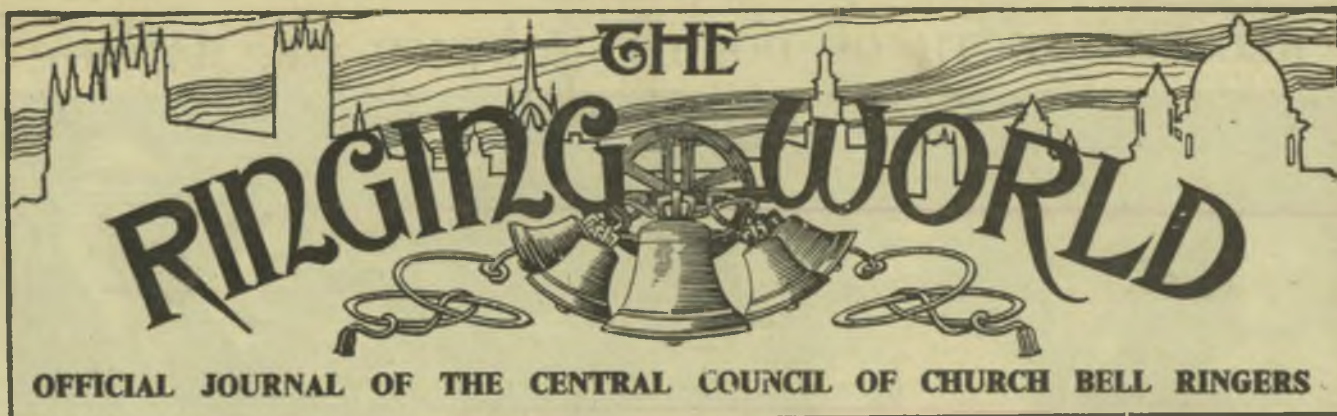
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## A GENTLEMAN RINGER

By CYRIL A. WRATTEN

(Continued from last week)

But to return to 1877. Five days after the peal of Caters at Appleton seven members of the Oxford University Society—J. R. Keble, F. A. Milne, C. D. P. Davies, H. W. Ellicott, W. C. H. Burne, the Rev. F. E. Robinson and Phillott—were joined by Charles Troyte, who had been at Cambridge, and rang there 'the first peal ever rung by members of the two Universities without the assistance of any other persons.' The Editor of 'Church Bells' commented:

'The above unprecedented band regret to have been as it were obliged to ring in Lent; they might never again have the opportunity of pulling all together, for after Easter each would be scattered, one to this place and another to that, and therefore permission was yielded.'

and Phillott added: 'A peal but not well struck, the 5th being almost unpealable. The hardest job I ever had or ever wish to.'

In December of that year, Phillott, together with C. D. P. Davies, who was living in Cheltenham at that time, circulated all the Gloucestershire clergy, informing them that it was proposed to form 'in the diocese of Gloucester and Bristol, an association of Church Change-Ringers, similar to those already established in Devonshire, Durham and Norfolk.' The inaugural meeting was held in the Cathedral Chapter Room at Gloucester on Tuesday, January 8th, 1878, and the notebook contains a lengthy cutting about the new Association's first-annual meeting, held in Bristol during the following July.

Not content with such a 'first,' Phillott participated in another in August, when he was one of the party that met at Huntsham Court, the Devon home of Charles Troyte, for the first Ringing Week. A cutting from a local Devon paper makes interesting reading.

'...The ringing party did not expend all their energies in the Huntsham belfry: they paid a visit to Dunster, Somerset. and made excellent practice on the bells. ... Another day was spent in Tiverton. Mr. Troyte driving his guests there in his brake, for the "Squire of Huntsham" can handle "the ribbons" quite as well as "a bell rope," and to get "a team" nicely through our Devonshire lanes is quite as intricate a matter as to find one's way through the mazes of "Treble Bob" or "Superlative Surprise"! The neighbouring village of Oakford was also enlivened by musical strains, the result of the amateurs' efforts. There the good folks can boast of a peal of eight bells, and a still finer Rector, who gave the ringers a hearty welcome, and proved to the strangers that a west country parson is made of the right stuff. ... We wish we could have recorded some peals on (Exeter) Cathedral bells, as all Devonians know there are 10 bells in that fine old tower unsurpassed in all England in size and musical qualities: but until the hanging and fitting are seen to, there will be no ringing there worthy of the name, nor can those who ring for pleasure be expected to patronize the Cathedral belfry.'

One peal was rung during this week—Kent Treble Bob Major at All Saints', Huntsham, conducted by Joseph W. Snowden and credited to the Ancient Society.

On November 9th that year the new ring of twelve at St. Paul's Cathedral was opened. A cutting records that 'at 10 minutes to 6 the bells rang out a merry peal under the well-trained manipulation of the Society of College Youths. The Cathedral was crowded to the doors, and a large number of persons collected outside in the churchyard on the Ludgate-hill.' One of those listening was obviously Phillott, for he comments:

'A touch of Stedman Cinques was rung, but no one in the Church-yard could tell scarcely what was being rung, the hum of the bells being so great. The large bells are fine bells, the trebles and some of the small bells —'  
The note is left unfinished.

The year 1878 was obviously a busy and interesting one, as the above shows, but no explanation can be found for a cutting which appears without comment opposite the report of the St. Paul's opening. In spite of its non-ringing nature, I will venture to repeat in case any members of the Ladies' Guild find it of interest (and value, perhaps?):

'The Uses of the Lemon.—A piece of lemon bound upon a corn will relieve it in a day or so. The free use of lemon-juice and sugar will always relieve a cough. A lemon eaten before breakfast every day for a week or so will entirely prevent that feeling of lassitude peculiar to the approach of spring. Perhaps its most valuable property is its absolute power to detecting any of the injurious and even dangerous ingredients entering into the composition of so very many of the cosmetics and face-powders in the market. Every lady should subject her toilet-powders to this test. Place a teaspoonful of the suspected powder in a glass, and add the juice of a lemon. If effervescence takes place it is an infallible proof that the powder is dangerous, and its use should be avoided, as it will ultimately injure the skin and destroy the beauty of the complexion.'

Over the next few years Pates rang in thirty or more peals of Grandsire, Stedman and Treble Bob. They included the first Oxford University Society peal, Stedman Triples at Drayton in 1882. Henry Johnson's last peal, Stedman Caters at Aston in 1884, and, two years later, the first peal of Grandsire with clergymen ringing the seven 'inside' bells, at Prestbury, near Cheltenham. This last was originally intended to have been a purely clerical peal, but two failures the previous day had put paid to the idea as the Rev. A. D. Hill was unable to stay for a further attempt, and Phillott rang in his stead. It was at Prestbury, too, that in the following year, 1887, he called his one and only peal as conductor. This was the first peal on the bells by a local band, and the composition was Taylor's bob-and-single Grandsire Triples.

Most of the peal cuttings have 'true peal' or 'very good and true peal' written against them, but occasionally there appears 'bad finish and not true peal,' 'not true—a shift course,' 'a true peal, but might have been better striking' or, simply, 'rough.' Some of the footnotes, too, make interesting reading:

'Rung on the occasion of the mustering of the Royal Gloucestershire Hussars for their annual drill' (Grandsire Caters at Cheltenham in May, 1885);

'Rung on the occasion of the opening of the New Water Works for the borough of Cheltenham. Dinner was provided for the ringers by the Mayor' (Treble Bob Major in October, 1886, also at Cheltenham).

Then in 1887 the Cheltenham ringers decided to try to beat the College Youths' record peal of 11,111 Stedman Caters rung at Fulham four years before. On Whit Monday, May 30th, they started for 12,345 with Phillott ringing the second, only to lose it after ringing some 8,500 changes in 5 hours 12 minutes when there was a trip in the Slow. (The College Youths were even more unfortunate that same day: they lost 10,030 Stedman Cinques at Cornhill in the very last course.) Quite undeterred by this failure, and by another on Boxing Day, when the same band only managed to ring between 5,000 and 6,000 changes, Phillott made his usual March journey to Appleton in 1888, and on the 5th of that month he rang the second there to a 12,041 conducted by James Washbrook: his comment is terse and to the point—'excellent peal.' 'The Bell News' was apparently a little doubtful about the truth of the peal, a composition of Washbrook's:

'The figures of the peal have been forwarded for publication, and they will be published next week, but we fervently hope that nothing will be found amiss with the composition, because it must be confessed that the talented conductor has been somewhat remiss

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## RECORD LENGTH OF DOUBLE NORWICH C.B. MAJOR



By BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE

IN a hollow beneath the stately hulk of the Brecon Beacons stands the solitary Church of St. Meugan. Solitary, because the majority of its parishioners have a good half-mile's walk to worship along a rising country lane. But the church is not forgotten, not by ringers at any rate, for in the last month it has witnessed four peals by four different hands.

Why, though, should such a peaceful spot at Llanfeigan, overlooking the pleasant and picturesque Usk Valley and the wooded slopes of the more distant Black Mountains, be chosen for a long peal?

The reasons are straightforward: several preliminary visits by scouting members of the band indicated that here was a very easy-going ring of eight bells (tenor 12 cwt.) in a cool yet comfortable belfry, situated well away from any residential areas. And so, the operation of making plans for an attempt began. Permission to ring was applied for and obtained.

### SELECTING THE METHODS

All that remained were the band and method. Neither was simple. The ringers of the extent of Major were given the first choice: only four took the plunge again and we welcomed three more experienced long peelers and a newcomer, David Llewellyn, of Cardiff. However, the final team was not settled until about two weeks before the attempt, due to late alterations.

Then the method: originally Bristol, its fortunes wavered then from London to Belgrave and Yorkshire, back through two long peals until D.N.C.B. was finally agreed upon. The length was also indecisive. All we wanted really was to break the 60-year-old record of 17.104, but then it seemed a pity not to complete the half-extent of Major (20.160). Then having reached here, why not the church-bell record in changes (22.400) or in time, 12 hours 58 minutes (21.600 Bristol). It almost seemed we should end up attempting 40.320 D.N.C.B.! Our target was finally set at 23.072, if all went well: if not to reduce as necessary.

### THAT HORRIBLE FEELING

Early on the morning of July 11th, three cars departed from the Maesllwch Arms at Glasbury-on-Wye and joined the string of West Wales holiday traffic almost to Brecon before turning off into the the country, and so on to Llanfeigan. A quick photograph for TWW, we believe, a few minor arrangements to ropes, and we were all ready to go. Once again that horrible feeling before a long peal of not wanting to ring but, at the same time, a longing to beat another record. After three

The band who rang the record length of Double Norwich Court Bob Major photographed outside the Parish Church of Llanfeigan, Brecon. From left to right: Giles Thompson (umpire), Frank Osbaldiston, Frederick Shallcross, Basil Jones, John C. Eisel, Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.), Robert B. Smith, A. Peter Whitehead and David J. Llewellyn.

[Photo: Principality Press, Ebbw Vale.]

to four hours this feeling subsides and ringing becomes automatic, almost unconscious.

We set off in changes at 8.19 a.m. prepared to ring for about 13 hours if necessary. However, the ringing was a little faster than anticipated and the end of the first part showed that it would take 12 hours 40 minutes for the 23.072. The first 5.040 came up in 2 hours 46 minutes, the 10.080 in 5 hours 30 minutes and 15.120 in 8 hours 17 minutes.

### SIGNS OF STRAIN

From then on, the ringers on the back found the pace a little too exhausting and the ringing slowed up. The strain of 10 and a half hours' continual dodging was beginning to show, and a relative deterioration in the ringing ensued. Under these circumstances, it was hard to foresee a return to the earlier standard and therefore the bob at 6 in the 10th part was omitted thus allowing the bells to run into rounds at 20.160 after 11 hours 6 minutes.

So we partially achieved our target, leaving the church bell record for another day. Slightly disappointing for some not to have 'rung the clock round' we must do what the Vicar of Llanfeigan (the Rev. I. L. Davies) asked us, and that is to return and ring longer next year. We left Llanfeigan returning thence to dinner at Glasbury, and spent the remainder of the evening ringing handbells and replenishing the liquid content of our bodies.

### ANOTHER PEAL NEXT DAY

The following day, we rang for service at Glasbury, and to add a new county to our peal records rang a peal of Lincolnshire in the afternoon at Clifford, Herefordshire. So ended a pleasant, tiring yet enjoyable weekend, and we hope that now Llanfeigan is well-marked on the ringers' map, if not on the Ordnance Survey ones.

Our thanks go out to the Vicar of Llanfeigan, to Colin A. Lewis of Glasbury for making the arrangements at Llanfeigan and at the hotel and lastly to the manager and Staff of the Maesllwch Arms for their co-operation, toleration and attention.

### 50th ANNIVERSARY AT BRISTOL

On June 25th, 1914, a peal of Grandsire Minor was rung at the Church of St. John on the Wall, Bristol, as a compliment to Mr. George Staddon on his 78th birthday. The peal is commemorated on a peal board in the tower. Taking part in this his first peal under the conductorship of Mr. Edgar Guise was Mr. A. York-Bramble, then a student at Bristol University. He had learnt a great deal of his early ringing from the conductor at Emmanuel, Clifton and St. Stephen's.

This was some thirty years before the foundation of the University of Bristol Society, but when the Society eventually got under way in the middle 1940's, A.Y.B. became one of its very first non-resident life members.

The original peal was probably the very first of many peals rung by members of the University with City ringers, thus instituting a happy relationship which has continued right through to the present day. With this in mind the Society felt it should mark the 50th anniversary by a peal in the same tower.

Mr. York-Bramble had hoped to be present but unfortunately was prevented from doing so by ill-health. However, a good peal in four Minor methods was duly rung, and afterwards, thanks to Mr. York-Bramble's generosity, a fine meal was enjoyed at the 'Hole-in-the-Wall' Tavern. During the evening glasses were naturally raised to the band of fifty years ago and to A.Y.B., and his return to good health. It is hoped that the anniversary peal will be commemorated by a framed peal card hung beneath the peal board.

### FUNERAL OF MISS C. C. GOLDEN

The funeral service in St. Peter Mancroft Church, Norwich, on July 11th for Miss Christine Carolyn Golden, elder daughter of Mr. F. N. Golden, president of the Norwich Diocesan Association and Mrs. Golden, took place in the presence of many friends. Canon Gilbert Thurlow and the Vicar (the Rev. F. Jarvis) officiated.

Those represented included the Norwich Union, where Christine was employed, the Mancroft Youth Club, of which she was a member, and ringers and friends from a wide area as she had been a member of the Norwich Diocesan Association since 1957. Cremation followed.

The bells were rung half-muffled before and after the service, and a peal of Grandsire Triples was attempted in the evening, but came to grief after ringing for one and a half hours. Mr. G. Sayer conducted.



## A LUCKY ESCAPE

## Faulty Lightning Conductor

IT WAS a fairly pleasant morning when the six of us met outside St. Stephen's Church, St. Albans, to attempt a peal of Minor, on the morning of July 18th. After two false starts we eventually settled down to a comfortable pace only to be disturbed again in the second extent by ominous rumblings from the now not so pleasant weather. The storm seemed to be right overhead, and at times we could hardly hear the bells because of the rain and thunder. It was after one particularly loud bang that the conductor was heard to remark to the ringer of the third, 'I hope that wasn't the bell frame shifting!'

Alas, not only the ears that were meant to hear this did so, for only a few changes later our ringing was brought to a very unharmonious and abrupt ending as the tower was struck by lightning. We were all of us deafened, and one or two half blinded by the sparks that shot through us. Luckily no one was hurt and it was perhaps as well that our dulled ears never heard the noise of the treble, 4th, 5th and tenor as they were hurriedly lowered in what was certainly not any regular order. The treble ringer in fact said that his rope had been completely whipped out of his hand, and the ringer of the 5th also informed us that he had felt a distinct shock through the rope and his feet.

We had no time to worry about things like that; the lightning called the bob, and all 6 bells ran out, closely followed by the ringers! Despite the fact that the main fuse had taken our light away, we were fortunately not left in complete darkness, as the bells are rung from the ground floor, and are not in their own closed room. A cursory examination revealed that no damage appeared to have been done, but it was thought wisest to summon the fire brigade to check fully that there was no danger of fire. The Rector was informed that 'an appliance' would be sent to the church immediately, despite his modest request for nothing more than a fire officer, and we were shortly rewarded with the sight (and sound) of a large fire engine headed towards the church. After a full inspection of the wooden tower, it was decided that no danger of fire remained, but we found ourselves rather sobering fact.

This forms the moral of what could have been a serious event. The lightning conductor from the top of the spire terminated in a joint to the frame by the treble bell, and there was no proper conducting path to earth from this point. (The frame in this case is a steel one.) We were thus provided with the explanation of why our treble ringer lost his rope. It appeared that the only escape for the lightning was through the conduit pipe of the electric light supply, and also through the clock wires and the clock, which is earthed by virtue of being mounted in the stone floor below. The clock wires pass very close to the rope on the 5th bell, and I suppose this is why the ringer felt a shock.

While the ringing of the bells is supposed traditionally to drive the thunder away, I would suggest to all intending ringers of peals, and the like, that they make sure the tower where they are ringing is adequately protected against lightning damage by having a proper conductor, when it seems likely they will be ringing during a storm. We certainly will! It is no fun being so close to so many volts, and we are all thankful that the only casualty was the clock, which for some unknown reason stopped, although it is weight driven. We can also feel thankful that we have not lost the talents of Mr. John R. Ketteringham, who was ringing the treble, and also those of a well-known Christine. R. E. H.

## A GENTLEMAN RINGER



MR. GEORGE H. PHILLOTT

The subject of our front page articles in last week's and this week's issue was born in 1852 and died in 1926, aged 74. He was a founder member of Oxford University Society in 1872 and a founder member and first secretary of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association in January, 1878. From 1891 to 1899 he was a member of the Central Council. For 51 years he was attached to St. Mary's, Cheltenham, and in this tower he rang his two longest lengths—13,054 Stedman Caters on May 21st, 1888, in 8 hours 16 minutes, and 15,227 Grandsire Caters, on April 22nd, 1889 in 9 hrs. and 43 mins. He was an architect by profession.

## EAST YORKSHIRE VETERANS MEET

For the eight consecutive year, Mrs. J. J. Taylor, of Goole, invited the older generation to an afternoon's ringing and tea at Eastington, on June 27th.

To qualify for attendance at one of these gatherings is officially 50 years' membership of the Yorkshire Association, but such people are becoming increasingly difficult to find so numbers are swelled by admitting a number of the younger fraternity.

Principal guests for the day were H. Redmill (84) Sutton-on-Hull, L. Rodmell (82) Patrington, T. Goodin (82) Sutton-on-Hull and H. S. Morley (75) Sefton, F. Atkinson, of York, was unable to attend.

Ringling in the afternoon ranged from Plain Bob to Cambridge Surprise. This was followed by a short service conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. H. Bryden, who welcomed the visitors and reminded us during prayers of past attenders at these gatherings.

The service was followed by the usual sumptuous 'Taylor type tea' in the church room, where a total of 25 sat down—a miniature district meeting! The day was rounded off by further ringing.

Thanks are accorded to Mrs. Taylor for organising this event, her band of willing helpers, the Vicar for granting permission and also the organist. R. D.

## KENT RINGERS' RALLY

For some years it has been the custom of the Kent County Association to organise a dinner in each of the six districts of the Association in turn. In some of the centres it is becoming increasingly difficult to find a place with adequate seating accommodation where a meal can be provided at a price sufficiently economic to appeal to the large and widely-scattered membership, especially the increasing numbers of young people that the Association is happy to count within its ranks.

It was therefore a happy thought on the part of the octogenarian chairman and vice-president of the Association, Mr. J. Willis of Folkestone, that as no suitable place could be found in the Maidstone district for a dinner there should instead be a Ringers' Rally centred on Maidstone at a time when members could take advantage of a long summer evening. At its annual meeting on Easter Monday the Association decided to adopt this idea and on July 4th 140 ringers of all sorts and sizes from all over the county and beyond sat down to tea in the Tovil Working Men's Institute at Maidstone.

Ringling commenced in some fifteen towers in the district early in the afternoon and continued until after 9 p.m. except for a most inspiring service in Maidstone Parish Church and tea afterwards. The service was conducted by the Rector of Bredgar, the Rev. Stanley Evans, who was taught to ring some years ago by Mr. Walter H. Dobbie.

Rochester Cathedral was to have been amongst the towers available for ringing but permission had to be withdrawn owing to repair work to the tower. At one time it looked as if Maidstone was also to be a casualty as the tenor clapper had broken. However, due to the initiative of Mr. Trevor A. Cross, the Maidstone district secretary, and the professional skill of Mr. E. J. Beer, so well-known to the older generation of Cumberlanders, it was possible to get the clapper repaired in time.

At tea Mr. Willis expressed the sincere thanks of all the members to all who had worked hard in making the arrangements and particularly Mr. T. A. Cross. As a mark of appreciation he handed suitable gifts to Mr. and Mrs. Cross, the Rev. Stanley Evans was thanked most sincerely for his help in taking the service and it was announced that the offertory, amounting to £5 10s., would be donated to the Bredgar bell restoration fund. P. A. C.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

A well attended quarterly meeting of the Chew Branch was held at All Saints', Wraxall (8) on July 18th, when a most welcome visitor was the Master of the Association, the Rev. H. F. Warren.

In the absence of the Rector the service was taken by the Rev. P. Foster, curate at Weston-in-Gordano. Tea was served at the Rectory to a company of 35 members and friends, after which the Master took the chair for the business meeting which followed. Five new members were elected from Wraxall, one from Wrington, and one re-elected from Chew Magna.

Subject to permission, meetings were arranged as follows: Quarterly (October), Publow; August, Portishead; September, Clevedon All Saints'. The venue for the Branch Corporate Evensong was left to the next meeting to decide.

Favourable comments were passed on the success of the striking competition held in May, which now seems an established date in the Branch calendar.

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# Letters to the Editor

## 'Spur' Stays

Dear Sir,—I was interested to read the letters of Messrs. Cawley and Knight in the "R.W."; I write to make corrections and additions to the former, and to mention some points of interest concerning the latter.

First, with regard to the 'spur' stays in Kent, I have notes on the bells at Westwell, and I beg to differ with Mr. Crawley. The treble and 2nd bells here have traditional wooden stays and sliders (the former, however, being attached to the same side of the headstock as the wheel), while the third bell has no trace of stay or slider. The tenor has the remains of a stay, but no slider. I agree with Mr. Cawley that the third bell is split, and the others unringable, but I would hesitate to substantiate his paradoxical remark that the bells are in good order.

I have also visited the church of St. Lawrence, Godmersham. I did not find the bells waist-deep in debris (although I did find a dead snake in the bell-chamber—has anyone had a similar experience?). I do not remember anything unusual in the fittings of the bells, but I did not take detailed notes, and I will check when I am next near the church.

Other examples in Kent include the complete ring of 8 at Mersham (restored by Mears in 1880), 5 out of 6 at Brabourne, and 4 out of 5 at Kingsnorth. The ten bells at St. Barnabas', Pimlico, S.W.1, are all equipped with these stays (installed by Mears c. 1850).

To correct Mr. Cawley's reference to the bells of St. Alphege, Canterbury. Only the 2nd and 3rd bells were cast by S. B. Goslin. The treble was a 17th or early 18th century casting which was adapted by Goslin and subsequently used in the ring; originally it was uninscribed, but Goslin incised an inscription upon it. It would be interesting to know exactly where Mr. Goslin practised his trade, and whether there are any complete rings of bells by him. He would appear to have done some of his work at Warners, as he describes himself as of the Crescent Foundry, London. Besides those mentioned by Mr. Cawley, his only other examples in Kent were two bells at Sellindge, cast in 1906. These were, however, such poor bells that they had to be recast when the ring was augmented to 6 in 1909.

Regarding Mr. Knight's inquiries, the 'Institution for Change Ringing in Quex Park, Isle of Thanet' was founded in 1819 by John Powell Powell who built the famous campanile, and equipped it with a light ring of twelve bells in this year. Apparently Shipway was in the band of Cumberland Youths who rang the first peal on the bells at their opening, and was subsequently employed by Powell as a tutor to his band; they rang many peals in neighbouring towers, most of which were conducted by Shipway. The peal at Margate must have been the first on the bells, as they were augmented to 8 in 1823. They also rang the first peal at St. Peter's, Sandwich, in 1823, and the first peal on the ten bells at Canterbury Cathedral in 1824. I have no information as to the calling of the peal but it may have been one of Shipway's compositions. The calling of the other peal at Margate in 1885 may possibly be found in the K.C.A.C.R. report for that year if the peal was rung for the latter association.—Yours faithfully,

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## Robert Roan

Dear Sir,—It is unfortunate that Mr. Ernest Weatherby on page 466 should have got his facts concerning Robert Roan all mixed up with Richard Duckworth and Stedman, and more so that he should have sent it to Washington and Groton, because as was said in these columns recently 'corrections never catch up with mistakes.'

Robert Roan did not invent changes, he had no connection with Cambridge, neither was he a monk.

On pages 117–119 of 'Grandsire' in a long and interesting account of Roan and his achievements, the late Mr. J. A. Trollope tells us that Roan's great contribution to ringing was that he composed the first 120 of Grandsire Doubles, and then goes on to explain how he adapted the calling of this to give us the standard 720 of Bob Minor. As Mr. Trollope rightly says 'It is quite safe to say that no man has had his compositions rung so much as Robert Roan.'

It is too much to ask you to reprint all Mr. Trollope tells us but perhaps you can spare me space for the first paragraph.

'Robert Roan spent the whole of his working life in the service of the officers of the Green Cloth, the government department which had charge of the royal palaces, and for some time he was sworn clerk of the pantry.

'Charles I was king when he began his service but the Civil War and the Commonwealth made little difference to the permanent officials, or indeed to the ringing societies which flourished while Cromwell ruled the country. When the Restoration came however, Roan lost his job. He was promised as compensation £50 a year board wages, but that fell into arrears, and was afterwards reduced to £25. So he petitioned the King more than once for redress, but though the treasury books record his petitions they do not tell us what happened to them.—Yours sincerely, E. BARNETT,

10, Kings Close, Crayford.

## Old Peals at Margate

Dear Sir,—It should have been obvious to Mr. F. C. W. Knight (page 464) that the peal of Grandsire Triples Shipway called at Margate in 1824 was either Taylor's or Vicar's Bob and Single, from the number of bobs and singles given on the board, and the bell he rang.

Regarding the 1885 peal, practically all the compositions of Grandsire Triples existing at that time were Holt's Original. Holt's six and ten parts. Penning's one part, one or two one parts by Parker, two or three five parts, and the bob and single peals.

This, coupled with the fact that the number of calls is also given, and Mr. Willshire called it from the second, leaves no doubt whatever it was Holt's ten part.—Yours sincerely,

E. BARNETT

10, Kings Close, Crayford.

The Editor also thanks Mr. W. J. Whitmore, of Raunds, for his reply. While Mr. Whitmore is of opinion that the 1824 peal was E. Taylor's it could have been any of the old three lead course peals that have the same number of bobs and singles with the 6th observation, such as Annable's or Vicar's.

## Miss Joan Beresford Congratulations on 500 Peals

Dear Sir,—Some people do an awful lot of work and spend an awful lot of time in doing it—but dividing these people into categories one soon gets to know those who like to broadcast their achievements, those who will talk quietly and passively about them and still those who hardly ever make any reference about them at all.

Miss Joan Beresford, who learnt to ring in Lichfield, Staffs, and now resides in Dartford, Kent, would come in the last-named group, for while she may remain in one place at her work she is here, there and everywhere at ringing, as evidenced by reading the columns of this journal. Along with many others, our names used to be found in the front half of the paper and although progress in our modern age has promoted these names to appear in the back half, this major operation has challenged us to greater successes in our activities, but we are not out for publicity or self-praise.

As Joan is fully engaged in Sunday service ringing, and in teaching young recruits; as she travels literally miles and miles for her ringing; commits herself to engagements at various places (accessible and inaccessible), some of which I am sure the Duke of Edinburgh would not fulfil in his helicopter; is obliged to refuse invitations in peal attempts from time to time; is, on certain occasions, in one place when it is thought she would be elsewhere, she understandably forms the subject of quite a complicated problem! But, wherever Joan is she can be relied upon to do her best and never to let the team down. This brings to mind some qualities of a good ringer—high standard of performance, reliability, punctuality, team spirit. Joan possesses all these, and with a character of seriousness. In addition to her activities mentioned above and the fact that she is a far-above-the-average performer on handbells, having rung several peals of Spliced Surprise Major, her 'official' positions as honorary treasurer and Central Council representative of the Ladies' Guild mark her as complete a ringer as most people can be. May I plead on Joan's behalf, however, not to be invited to such places as Bath Abbey, Launceston or Pershore Abbey—she would enjoy the ringing but not the approach work!

My object of penning this 'half-column' is an attempt to offer Joan congratulations on achieving the high total of 500 peals, made up by an extremely wide and varied range of methods (including up to 30 Spliced Surprise Major) and on all numbers of bells, coupled with an appreciation of her services to the ringing Exercise and to wish her continued success with the 'good work'.—Yours, etc.,

North Mimms.

T. J. LOCK.

## Composition of Unusual Quality

Dear Sir.—Those interested will have noticed that the composition of Cornwall on page 476 contains the 18 combination courses and the sixth the extent home in 24 courses only, a tight squeeze. I should be interested to know of any other compositions with this quality (and no singles). It is admittedly a composer's composition, though perhaps the music is quite suitable for the method.—Yours sincerely,

Bilston, Staffs.

P. G. K. DAVIES.

Not to take any risks about the rejection by his Guild of his first peal as conductor, a letter was sent to the Guild general secretary to verify the membership of one of the band. It took him two months to secure confirmation, as the secretary was in America.

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**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD****Marlborough Branch**

Following the successful June meeting at Great Bedwyn and St. Katherine's (Savernake Forest) the Marlborough Branch met at Chisledon on July 18th, and there was again a good company present.

Members were present from St. Mary's (Marlborough), St. Peter's (Marlborough), Aldbourne, Everleigh and, of course the home tower with visitors from Gloucester, Axbridge, Swindon, Lynham, Buckingham, and Weymouth. Ringing in the unavoidable absence of the Ringing Master (Rev. Roger Keeley) was under the joint direction of Mr. George Brown (assistant secretary) and Mr. George Newman (chairman), and ranged from rounds and call changes to Cambridge Surprise Minor. The bells, an easy going and mellow-toned six, were raised in peal at 3 p.m. and, with an interval for service and tea, were kept going until 8 p.m.

The Guild service was conducted by the Vicar (Canon I. W. A. Collins) with Mr. W. Drewitt at the organ, and a sumptuous tea followed in the 'Elm Tree' annexe, provided by Mrs. Court, sen., and her helpers.

Mr. G. Newman presided at the business meeting and thanked all who had helped to make the day a success, and welcomed the visitors.

Mr. Newman announced, with very real regret, that Mr. T. A. Palmer (honorary secretary), who was injured recently while at work, was not progressing as rapidly as had been hoped. Although out of hospital he was still in some pain and discomfort, and had asked that Mr. Brown should run the Branch for the time being. Members expressed their sympathy and hopes were voiced that he would before long be quite recovered.

Next meeting (August): Burbage and Milton Lilbourne (subject to permission); Branch outing, September, probably Chichester area.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD****West Lindsey Branch**

The weather was kind on the last Saturday in June when the West Lindsey Branch had their annual outing. The venue was Coventry, suggested by our very youngest member at the annual meeting, and a very enjoyable day it proved to be.

Our first call was at Enderby where several touches were rung on an eight with a very pleasing tone and our second call, at St. Andrew's, Shilton, gave us six that were very light, the tenor being 64 cwt.

Enjoying a picnic lunch en route we carried on to Stoke, Coventry, where our arrival coincided with a wedding and we were able to ring as the bridal pair left the churchyard. A local ringer kindly met us and several methods were rung on the nice sounding eight.

At Coventry we had time to visit the Cathedral and some were privileged to witness one of the Mystery Plays in the old ruined Cathedral. We all met again at tea in the Cathedral Refectory. On the homeward journey we called at Monks Kirby where the eight were a joy to handle and to hear. Our final tower was St. Mary's, Bitteswell, a light six. Some of our regular members were not with us and they were missed, but nevertheless we had a most enjoyable day. H.C.R.

**OBITUARY****MR. PERCY SWINDLEY**

With deep regret we record the death of Mr. Percy Swindley, at his home in Chester on July 15th, at the age of 64 years. He had been in poor health for the last two years, during which time he had not been able to go any ringing.

Percy Swindley learned to ring during the first world war, but did not take a serious interest in the art until 1928, when he rang his first peal at St. Mary-within-the-Walls, Chester. Since that time, however, he became one of the leading figures in the Chester Branch of the Chester Diocesan Guild and did much to advance the standard of ringing in the area.

He succeeded his father as captain of the Handbridge St. Mary's and Cathedral ringers in 1951, and he will be remembered for his patience with learners, the welcome he extended to visitors and his unassuming nature. His achievements in the ringing sphere were many and varied and while the exact number of peals he had rung is not known, it must be in the region of 500, and included Surprise Major, Triples in many different methods and the first peal in many different plain Major methods. He was a capable conductor, an excellent striker and heavy bell ringer.

By trade he was a blacksmith and specialised in ornamental ironwork, latterly taking over the family business, which had been in existence for several generations. Unfortunately his was the last link as his uncle predeceased him the previous week and there is now no one to carry on the family tradition. He was an expert craftsman and there are many examples of his work to be found in the county, including the fittings for electric lighting at Pulford, Runcorn and Shotwick Churches. He also adapted the fittings at St. Mary's, Handbridge, when the lighting was converted from gas to electricity. For the last four years he had given instruction in ornamental ironwork to students of Chester College.

The funeral service was held at St. Mary's, Handbridge, on July 18th, and was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. W. N. D. Thomas, and the lesson was read by the Rev. A. J. H. Scott. Members of the local company, the Chester Branch of the Chester Guild and the North Wales Association attended. The bells were rung half-muffled.

His passing will leave a gap which will be hard to fill and he will be sorely missed, but we give thanks for the example of a very fine ringer and craftsman, and for his achievements in a full life. J. W. G.

**MR. S. J. ORCHARD**

Mr. Sidney James Orchard, chairman of the Chiltern Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild and foreman ringer at St. John the Baptist Church, Little Missenden, Bucks, died suddenly on July 8th.

It is difficult to praise too highly the value of the work Sid had done for ringing over the past 40 years, both in his own tower and elsewhere in the Chiltern Branch. His enthusiasm and painstaking efforts in training beginners made it possible to build up and keep in existence a ringing band at Little Missenden Church for many years.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD****Banbury Branch Without a Secretary**

Although Mr. Roper had warned the Branch last January that he would not seek re-election to the post of honorary secretary and treasurer in view of his proposed move to Yorkshire, there were no candidates for the vacant post at the annual meeting at Deddington on July 11th. It is hoped that someone will come forward soon and in the meantime Mr. Roper is 'caretaker.'

After the service, conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. G. H. Palmer, and the usual Deddington tea (first class), Miss Cross, general secretary of the Guild, took the chair in the absence of the Branch chairman (church fete) and got through a long agenda as expeditiously as possible, although not in her record time of 15 minutes.

The Rev. J. Goddard was re-elected chairman, Mr. C. C. Clarke as Ringing Master and Mr. R. A. Reeves as deputy, and in future the deputy is to succeed the Ringing Master each year. Messrs. W. N. Genna and C. C. Clarke were elected to the General Committee and Mr. C. Wightman as honorary auditor.

It was agreed to hold a Branch striking competition, the winning tower to go forward to the Guild competition later in the year, and it was agreed to revise the rota of towers for quarterly meetings.

Next meeting: Hanwell, October 10th.

H. L. R.

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**CORRECTION**

The peal of Seven Surprise Minor methods (page 471) was rung at Thurlaston and not Thurstaston, and the same error appears in Higham-on-the-Hill outing (page 475).

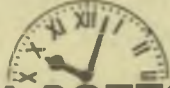
**OBITUARY—S. J. ORCHARD (Contd.)**

A loyal and wholehearted churchman, in addition to his ringing activities, he served the parish for a long period as churchwarden and treasurer, and has his permanent memorial in the belfry, where his name appears in the casting of the new treble bell, added to the ring after the last war and during Sid's term of office as churchwarden.

At his request, the bells were rung unmuffled at his funeral and again when a quarter peal in his honour was rung at Little Missenden on July 14th.

He will be sadly missed by very many friends. A. J. P.

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## LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

## Opposition to Striking Competition

THE summer quarterly meeting of the Leicester Diocesan Guild was held on July 11th in the Market Harborough District. This is the smallest of the six Districts with a membership of about 50, but a very good day had been arranged by their District Committee.

During the afternoon the bells at Oxendon, Foxton Lubenham and Great Bowden were available, as well as the octave at Market Harborough Parish Church. At 4.15 a ringers' service was conducted by the Vicar (Canon D. A. Adams), an honorary member of the Guild. Tea had been prepared in the Old Grammar School by Mr. and Mrs. R. Binley and other helpers.

At the business meeting there were a number of apologies (due largely to the Ladies' Guild annual meeting). After the presentation of certificates of membership and the reading of the minutes of the annual general meeting, the election of the following 22 members was confirmed:

The Very Rev. J. C. Hughes Leicester; Ian Hall, Wiveliscombe; John T. Parrington, Great Glen; James Lacey, Hathern; W. Drury, Broughton Astley; Martin Howe, Maidstone; Judith Corby, Sevenoaks; Robert Hinde, Hilary Martin, Orpington; Pamela Cotton, Great Bowden; E. John Hill, Higham-on-the-Hill; Aubrey Everleigh Newbold-on-Avon; Pauline Green, Birstall; Anthony Ellway, Swithland; Stephen Wells, Judith Suffolk, Burbage; Lawrence Greenhow, Edward R. Whitehead, Ian Hall, Leicester.

Christine Broughton, Christine Foote, Martin Brown, South Wigston.

## £40 GRANT

An application had been received from Heather for assistance in the rehanging of the existing three bells, the provision of two trebles and the addition of a frame for a future treble. The committee had decided to make a grant of £40—the largest such grant ever made by the Guild.

The committee had decided to confer upon Mr. H. Wright, of Earl Shilton, the distinction of honorary life membership in recognition of his service to ringing not only in his own tower but in the diocese generally.

After many months of protracted and fruitless discussion, the committee had come to the conclusion that no definite use could be made of the Archdeacon of Loughborough's offer of making All Saints' Church, Leicester, a Guild church for ringers.

## PRINTING COSTS

The next item concerned the cost of printing the annual report. As this has continued to rise over the last few years, the committee had decided that reports would be on sale to resident members at 2s. each (5s. to others), but each tower with members would receive one free copy.

The committee had also discussed the interpretation of the deletion of Rule 3, which had been made at the A.G.M. The rule would be deleted as from the date of the A.G.M., 1964. Concerning membership, the committee also decided that membership of the Guild would cease on December 31st in the year that a subscription was not paid.

A proposal had been received from the Leicester District suggesting that a Guild striking competition should be arranged. In view of there being some strong opposition to such a proposal it was agreed that each District should discuss this matter and report back at the next meeting, which would be held in the Melton Mowbray District on October 17th.

The secretary reminded members that the Guild dinner would be held in the Shakespeare Hotel, Braunstone, Leicester, on November 14th, at which the chief guest and speaker would be Mr. John Freeman, vice-president of the Central Council. Tickets would be on sale at 17s. 6d.

In any other business Mr. T. C. Belton suggested that the Guild might do more to implement Object No. 5, which was to provide instructors for those towers which required them.

## A COLLECTION OF DOUBLES METHODS

Compiled by GEOFFREY K. DODD and ROY H. JONES

Continued from page 497)

## PART C

This section contains the name which it is hoped that ringers will use when a particular 'composition' is used and the 'composition' of the method.

## EXAMPLES OF USE

KENNINGTON.—This has a plain course of Plain Bob. The bob is a REV. CANTERBURY Bob. The tenor can not be called observation bell. Three extents are possible: 2, 3 and 4 can be used as observation bells.

WINDRUSH.—This has a plain course of Plain Bob. The bob is a REV. CANTERBURY

Bob. The single is a GRANDSIRE SINGLE. An extent can be obtained by calling P-B-P-S, P-B-P-S, P-B-P-S.

Where there is only one call a SINGLE may be called a 'BOB' and a BOB a SINGLE.

Examples:—

APRIL DAY.—The GRANDSIRE SINGLE is called 'SINGLE' or 'BOB'—a Grandsire Single is rung whatever the call.

OLD DOUBLES.—The OLD DOUBLES SINGLE is called 'BOB' or 'SINGLE'—an Old Doubles Single is rung whatever the call.

Method	Plain Course	Bob	Single	Notes
Plain Bob	Plain Bob	Own	Grandsire S.	Obs. bell makes 2nd at the call. 3, 4, 5 as obs.
April Day	Plain Bob			
Blunderbus	Plain Bob	Own	Grandsire	Call B-S-B-P, twice repeated.
Buttercup	Plain Bob	Grandsire Bob on front, 5th-4th-5th on back instead of dodging		
Buttermere	Plain Bob	Grandsire	P.L. All Saints Grandsire Ex.	B-Ex-S-S-P-S-S-Ex-B-P-Ex.
Dedworth	Plain Bob	Grandsire	Grandsire	B-S-B-P, twice repeated.
Dedworth Supreme	Plain Bob	Grandsire	Grandsire	Call -Ex-P-bob
Hilmarton	Plain Bob	Rev. Canterbury	Grandsire Ex.	-Ex-S-S-P-S-S-Ex-B-P.
Hudibras	Plain Bob		Antelope	B-P-S-P, repeat twice.
Kennington	Plain Bob	Rev. Canterbury	Grandsire Ex.	No 2nd bell obs.
Litchurch	Plain Bob		Antelope	Tenor cannot be obs. bell.
Norfolk	Plain Bob	Plain Bob	Old Doubles S.	2, 3, 4, obs. bells.
Old	Plain Bob		Old Doubles S.	S-P-B-P or P-S-P-B or B-P-S-P or P-B-P-S, each twice repeated.
Old Hudibras	Plain Bob	Own		Four extents.
Primrose	Plain Bob	Grandsire		2, 3, 4, 5, obs. bells.
Ready Money	Plain Bob	Own	P.L. All Saints	Call B-S-B-P, twice repeated.
St. Agnes	Plain Bob	Plain Bob	Grandsire Ex.	
Seighford	Plain Bob	P.L. of All Saints		
Snodsbury	Plain Bob	Grandsire	Antelope	B-S-B-P.
Tichborne	Plain Bob	Rev. Canterbury	P.L. Rev. Cant.	S-B-S-P, twice repeated.
Violet	Plain Bob	As for Buttercup	P.L. All Saints	Call B-S-B-P, twice repeated.
Windrush	Plain Bob	Rev. Canterbury	Grandsire	P-B-P-S, repeat twice.
Wollaston	Plain Bob	Rev. Canterbury	P.L. All Saints	B-P-S-P, repeat twice.
Please Note Well.				
Folke		This is Kennington with Rev. Canterbury start, with tenor called obs. bell.		
Rev. Cant.	Rev. Cant.	Own		
Alveley	Rev. Cant.	Rev. Canterbury	Antelope	B-P-S-P, repeat twice.
Broadwas	Rev. Cant.	Plain Bob	Old Doubles S.	Call B-P-S-P, twice repeated (See Northrepps.)
Campion	Rev. Cant.		Grandsire Ex.	
Clifford's	Rev. Cant.		Grandsire	3, 4, 5, as obs. bells.
Pleasure				
Cowslip	Rev. Cant.	Grandsire on front 5th-4th-5th instead of dodging at the back	P.L. All Saints	B-S-B-P, twice repeated.
Dumbleton	Rev. Cant.	Grandsire	Antelope	Call B-S-B-P, twice repeated.
Honeysuckle	Rev. Cant.	Grandsire	P.L. All Saints	B-S-B-P, twice repeated.
Inkpen	Rev. Cant.	Plain Bob	Grandsire Ex.	
Little Aston	Rev. Cant.	P.L. of All Saints		
Marston	Rev. Cant.	Plain Bob	P.L. Plain Bob	S-B-S-P, twice repeated.
Oldswinford	Rev. Cant.	Rev. Canterbury	P.L. All Saints	Call B-P-S-P, twice repeated.
St. Columba	Rev. Cant.		Old Doubles S.	2, 3, 4 or 5 as obs. bell.
St. David	Rev. Cant.		Antelope	
Salwarpe	Rev. Cant.	Rev. Canterbury	Grandsire	Call P-B-P-S, twice repeated.
Southrepps	Rev. Cant.	Plain Bob		Tenor cannot be called obs. bell, 2, 3, 4 obs. bells.
Stanford	Rev. Cant.	Grandsire	All Saints P.L.	As for Wychbold Supreme.
Wallflower	Rev. Cant.	As for Cowslip	Grandsire Ex.	
Woodhay	Rev. Cant.	Ready Money	Grandsire	B-S-B-P, twice repeated.
Woolaston	Rev. Cant.	Rev. Canterbury	Grandsire Ex.	S-P-S-B, twice repeated.
Wychbold	Rev. Cant.	Grandsire	Grandsire	B-S-B-P, twice repeated.
Wychbold Supreme	Rev. Cant.	Grandsire	Grandsire Ex.	Call B-Ex-S-S-P-S-S-Ex-B-P-Ex.
Please Note Well.				
Cadbury		This is Southrepps with Plain Bob start, with tenor as observation bell.		



## COLLECTION OF DOUBLES METHODS—Continued

Method	Plain	Course	Bob	Single	Notes
Grandsire Bluebell	Grandsire Grandsire	Own Grandsire on front 5th-4th-5th at back instead of dodging As for Bluebell	Own All Saints Plain Lead		Three callings for the 3rd.
Daffodil London Newborough	Grandsire Grandsire Grandsire	Grandsire Grandsire Grandsire	Grandsire London Ex. All Saints Plain Lead		Call B-P-B-P-B-S-B-P-B-S.
Rev. St. Bar- tholomew	G'sire S.	P.L. of Plain Bob			Three callings from 3rd or B-S-B-P.
St. Augustine St. Blaise	G'sire S. G'sire S.	London Extreme (St. Blaise S.)	Grandsire Ex.		Three callings. 3, 4 or 5 as obs. bell.
Fortune	G'sire S.		Old Doubles S.		Three callings. 3, 4 or 5 as obs. bell.
Northrepps	G'sire S.	P.L. of Rev. Canterbury			Three callings. 3, 4, 5 as obs. bells.
Thurlby Del. St. Dunstan St. Frideswide	G'sire S. G'sire Bobs G'sire Bobs	Own London Extreme (3) P.L. Plain Bob	Grandsire Ex. (3) Grandsire S.		Call P-S-P-B, twice repeated.

## Please Note Well.

Tredington This is Rev. St. Bartholomew started with Plain Bob, and 2nd called obs. bell.  
 Thrumpton This is Fortune with Plain Bob start, and 2nd called obs. bell.  
 Preston This is Northrepps with Rev. Canterbury start, and 2nd called obs. bell.  
 To be continued.

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

A beautiful day and a first-class lunch added to the enjoyment of the Hunts District ringers on their annual tour on July 4th. Together with a few friends, they journeyed to Leicestershire, where the first stop was at the Loughborough Bell Foundry. Here a personally conducted tour by Mr. Paul Taylor was most instructive and entertaining. We almost feel now we know how it's done. After a not too successful session on the Campanile bells, we made our way to the War Memorial where an inspection of the carillon was followed by a most enjoyable recital.

At Hathern after lunch we were to join in the church garden party, and many prizes and trophies were evident in the bus after this. We were unable to do justice to the beautiful

bells in the short time at our disposal. Cambridge and Grandsire went well on the octave at Kegworth, but at Diseworth after tea misfortune befell us when the Ringing Master discovered there was no stay on the treble. (At least that's his story.) Here the Vicar very kindly gave us an informative history of this ancient church, now undergoing restoration due to the ravages of the dreaded death watch beetle.

Shepshed, the last tower, provided the best ringing of the day. St. Clement's, Kent, and Stedman being successfully rung on the beautiful eight. The local fair provided entertainment for our younger members (and some who are still young in heart). Grateful thanks to all incumbents for permission to ring their bells, to ringers who met us, and to Paul for the excellent organisation.

A.J.D.

EMMANUEL (PLYMOUTH) MEET  
TOM MYERS AT SEATON

From a weather point of view, ringers of Emmanuel Church, Plymouth, had a dreary start at 7.30 a.m. on July 11th, but by the time they reached Honiton it was perfectly dry, and by lunch time at Seaton it was a glorious day.

Before ringing commenced at Honiton, the Rev. Hayman, Assistant Priest at Emmanuel, led the party in prayer. We then left the hurly burly of the main road and headed for Seaton. Again there was very good ringing, and Mr. Tom Myers who we were delighted to have with us, joined in a short touch of Stedman Triples, ringing being on the ground floor. An innovation this year was a hot lunch: it was so much appreciated that there is no doubt that it has come to stay.

At Colyton (the heaviest six in Devon) we ran into trouble, first the rope of the second jumped the wheel and 'got stuck.' Mr. Sims, captain of Emmanuel ringers, went up and put it right: it went again, and was sorted out a second time: then the same thing happened to the treble. By now our time had almost gone, and Mr. Sims decided we would have some rounds on the five so that all could have a ring.

Our ringing during the day was very good, but at Woodbury it was really the best, set off by a beautiful rise.

We had tea at a cafe in the Cathedral Close at Exeter where we were joined by Mrs. McCabe and her two sons. Mrs. McCabe's husband (unable to be with us) is priest in charge at St. Stephen's, and was formerly Assistant Priest at Emmanuel. The meal was followed by ringing on the grand eight at Heavitree, and at St. Thomas; at the latter church the Secretary, Mr. H. H. Thomas, was a member of the band for three years, rang his first peal of Grandsire Triples in 1927, and married in 1929.

Our sincere thanks to the incumbent and local ringers who welcomed us. H. H. T.

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Histon, Cambs, have an enthusiastic young band, which, under the leadership of Mr. M. W. Carter, have just rung their first quarter. With one exception, they have had less than 18 months' instruction. Their ambition lies also in another direction—to have the present six recast and two bells added. This will cost approximately £1,200; a fund has been opened and about £56 received. Ringers who would like to be associated with this venture are asked to send their donations to Mr. M. W. Carter, 78, Mill Lane, Histon, Cambs.

Mr. George Seth, who rang the treble in a peal of Minor in six methods at St. Peter's, Bedford, on June 20th, will be 76 in a few weeks' time.

After an unsuccessful attempt for a peal at Steep, Hants, in which four service ringers took part, a quarter peal was rung as a first birthday compliment to James Edward Snelgar, son of the Vicar, the Rev. D. J. Snelgar.

A correspondent in Sussex, whose name appears in the local town guide under 'Campanology,' was recently shaken by a phone call requesting information on nearby camping sites. 'Strue!

Before leaving Stoke Bishop, Bristol, the Rev. D. Sansum had the pleasure of conducting his first quarter of Minor. He has been installed Vicar of Stechford, Birmingham. Unfortunately, this is a church without a ring of bells.

There were six Old Boys and two members of the present school (Geoffrey Foster and Christopher Forster) in the peal of Grandsire Caters rung at St. Albans Abbey on July 18th to mark the retirement of the headmaster of St. Albans School, Mr. W. T. Marsh. He had been at the school for 33 years.

A letter marked 'Urgent' from Mansfield took 11 days on its journey to Guildford. There have been others in the 12 day category. Despite the disruption, we were delighted to receive from St. Ives, Cornwall, a letter franked at 6 p.m., the following morning.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

The ringers who participated in the silent peal of Holt's 'Original' at Harrow Weald, on July 16th, would like to express their thanks to Mr. Syd Bailey, who rang the treble for two previous abortive attempts and who had to star down from the successful third attempt owing to a prior engagement. A competent substitute was found, however, and Mr. George Hart is thanked not only for his reliable treble ringing but also for placing Harrow Weald bells at the disposal of the band.

Mr. Wilfrid F. Moreton acknowledges with thanks the great help of Mr. John F. Mayne in the multi-method peals he has rung in identifying methods and checking names.

The last peal on Truro Cathedral bells before rehanging took place on July 18th. It had the distinction of being the first on the front six.

Mr. W. H. Raxter had the pleasure of conducting Mr. Len Parry, a regular Sunday service ringer of the Worcestershire and Districts Association for 49 years, through his first peal at Leigh on July 11th. He had previously limited himself to a quarter peal.

The band who rang the 'Michael' peal at Great Tew, Oxon, on July 18th would like to express their appreciation to the Rector for providing liquid refreshment after the peal. With the temperature in the 80's for most of the day, it was more than a welcome gesture.

Mr. J. L. Garner-Hayward informs us that his recent operation is proving to be most successful and already he has had a rope in his hand. He would like to thank all friends who sent letters to him while in hospital.

An attempt for a quarter peal at Withyham, Sussex, to celebrate the wedding of Jean Barnett and James Woolford unfortunately came to grief in the last course. The attempt was arranged by the vice-captain in the absence of the captain. A peal failure also occurred at St. Mary Magdalene, Holloway, where the conductor called halt after two hours' ringing.

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## TWELVE AND TEN BELL PEALS

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

QUEX PARK, Kent.—At the Waterloo Tower.

On Sun., July 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 15½ cwt.

ROBERT C. KIPPIN .. .. Treble	KENNETH J. HESKEITH .. .. 7
ANDREW N. STUBBS .. .. 2	DAVID F. DARBY .. .. 8
TUDOR P. EDWARDS .. .. 3	GEORGE E. THODAY .. .. 9
ALAN F. THIRST .. .. 4	JOHN S. MASON .. .. 10
ROBERT W. HINDE .. .. 5	JAMES G. A. PRIOR .. .. 11
F. JOHN NELSON .. .. 6	WILFRED WILLIAMS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

First peal of Maximus in the method on the bells.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

KINGSTON-UPON-HULL, Yorkshire.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5021 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 26 cwt, 2 qr. 22 lb. in D.

JOYCE M. GURNHILL .. Treble	ERIC N. HARRISON .. .. 7
*ANNE E. BATESON .. .. 2	GEORGE S. DEAS .. .. 8
CLAIRE DILLAMORE .. .. 3	PETER A. SHARP .. .. 9
JOHN E. ANDERSON .. .. 4	GEOFFREY PAUL .. .. 10
JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. .. 5	GEOFFREY R. PARKER .. .. 11
ALAN R. PATTERSON .. .. 6	JAMES W. RAITHBY .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

\* First peal on 12 bells, and 25th peal.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
WINCHESTER, Hampshire.—At the Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity, SS. Peter, Paul and Swithun.

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 40 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5005 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 35 cwt, 2 qr. 6 lb. in C.

WILLIAM A. THEOBALD .. Treble	*ANTHONY R. CARTER .. .. 7
WILFRED WILLIAMS .. .. 2	GWILYM SALMON .. .. 8
JACQUELINE S. KING .. .. 3	DAVID J. KING .. .. 9
ALAN F. THIRST .. .. 4	NOEL J. DISERENS .. .. 10
MICHAEL J. BEST .. .. 5	BRIAN HARRIS .. .. 11
DAVID E. HOUSE .. .. 6	REV. ROGER O. FRY .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS. Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

\* First peal of Stedman Cinques.

## THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

CHILVERS COTON, Warwickshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Thurs., July 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5067 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 13 cwt, 1 qr. 24 lb.

*G. ARTHUR BELL .. Treble	ARTHUR H. BEAMISH .. .. 6
FRANK W. PERRENS .. .. 2	*†CHRISTINE L. MASON (17) 7
*DAVID J. ALLEN .. .. 3	*GEOFFREY PRATT .. .. 8
JAMES DRAYCOTT .. .. 4	HUBERT E. ASHLEY .. .. 9
*†WILLIAM J. DAY (17) .. 5	*†KEITH F. GARDNER .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. GROVES.

Conducted by FRANK W. PERRENS.

\* First peal in the method. † First on ten bells.

A birthday compliment to the president of the Guild, A. H. Beamish.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ST. ALBANS, Hertfordshire.—At the Cathedral and Abbey Church of St. Alban.

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 23 cwt, 2 qr. 11 lb. in D.

*GEOFFREY FOSTER .. Treble	STEPHEN DARVILL .. .. 6
†CHRISTOPHER FORSTER .. 2	WILLIAM J. ARNOLD .. .. 7
C. MARTIN FOSTER .. .. 3	ANTONY R. KENCH .. .. 8
JONATHAN D. CHAMBERLAIN 4	GEORGE W. DEBENHAM .. .. 9
KENNETH J. DARVILL .. .. 5	JOHN G. CULL .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE W. DEBENHAM.

\* First peal. † First in the method.

Rung as a farewell, on his retirement, to Mr. W. T. Marsh, headmaster of St. Albans School (1931-64).

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

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

On Mon., July 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 10 cwt, 21 lb.

DOREEN A. DEVERELL .. Treble	D. PAUL SMITH .. .. 6
HILARY F. MARTIN .. .. 2	ROBERT W. HINDE .. .. 7
JEAN L. LAVENDER .. .. 3	JOHN SMITH .. .. 8
OLIVE D. TESTER .. .. 4	STEWART F. KIMBER .. .. 9
JOAN BERESFORD .. .. 5	COLIN A. TESTER .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. KIPPIN.

Conducted by STEWART F. KIMBER.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

BEDDINGTON, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDIRE CATERS

Tenor 18 cwt, 1 qr. 26 lb. in E flat.

SALLY COBB .. .. Treble	JOHN L. HAYNS .. .. 6
ADRIENNE GIBSON .. .. 2	RAYMOND E. FINCH .. .. 7
JILL PARSONS .. .. 3	DAVID E. PARSONS .. .. 8
MICHAEL C. AUSTIN .. .. 4	FREDERICK W. ELLIS .. .. 9
DONALD E. COBB .. .. 5	ALAN D. ELSMORE .. .. Tenor

Composed by ALBERT M. TYLER.

Conducted by DONALD E. COBB.

Rung by the Society of Roving Ringers as a wedding compliment to Derek Astridge and Marilyn Gibbs, former Secretaries of the Society.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ROTHERHAM, Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 38 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 34 cwt.

SUSAN CHADDOCK .. Treble	DAVID SMITH .. .. 6
*MRS. ELSIE CHADDOCK .. 2	J. NEVILLE PARKIN .. .. 7
NORMAN CHADDOCK .. .. 3	†NEIL DONOVAN .. .. 8
RICHARD E. PRICE .. .. 4	JOHN N. D. CHADDOCK .. 9
VIVIAN NUTTON .. .. 5	J. HENRY FIELDEN .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by J. HENRY FIELDEN.

\* First peal of Surprise Royal. † First of Cambridge Royal.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
SUNDERLAND, Co. Durham.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Wed., July 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5088 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt, 3 qr. 14 lb. in F.

IRIS THOMSON .. Treble	MICHAEL MAUGHAN .. .. 5
M. ELAINE MURCOTT .. .. 2	GEORGE S. DEAS .. .. 6
JOHN E. ANDERSON .. .. 3	KENNETH LAWSON .. .. 7
FREDERICK ROSS .. .. 4	ERIC N. HARRISON .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN.

Conducted by ERIC N. HARRISON.

First peal in the method as conductor.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

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

On Thurs., June 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In ten methods, comprising 960 Rutland, 640 each of Bristol, London, Watford and Wembley, and 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire; with 139 changes of method.

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

CLAUDIA A. CRITCHLEY .. Treble	S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN 5
VERNON GREEN .. .. 2	ROGER BALDWIN .. .. 6
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY .. 3	†KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. 7
ROBERT N. HARRIS .. .. 4	CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by ROGER BALDWIN.

\* First peal of Spliced. † First of 10-Spliced.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

FRITTENDEN, Kent.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5056 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt, 1 qr. 4 lb. in F sharp.

*JUDITH M. CORBY .. Treble	*ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. 5
*HILARY A. SWALLOW .. .. 2	EDWARD J. JENNER .. .. 6
ANN JENNER .. .. 3	WALTER H. DOBBIE .. .. 7
WILLIAM ROGERS .. .. 4	STANLEY JENNER .. .. Tenor

Composed by WILLIAM THORNEY.

Conducted by STANLEY JENNER.

\* First peal in the method.

ERITH, Kent.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt, in G.

FREDERICK J. CULLUM .. Treble	CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY 5
FRANK I. HAIRS .. .. 2	ANDREW J. CORBY .. .. 6
MARTIN F. LOCK .. .. 3	JOHN FREEMAN .. .. 7
THOMAS J. LOCK .. .. 4	PHILIP A. CORBY .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY.

Rung in honour of the marriage earlier this day at the Church of St. Paulinus, Crayford, of James Arthur Duncan Woolford and Jean Frances Barnett.

WALMER, Kent.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

### A PEAL OF 5152 ADELAIDE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt, 9 lb. in E flat.

JOHN R. COOPER .. Treble	ALAN E. BAGWORTH .. .. 5
ANN JENNER .. .. 2	RALPH BIRD .. .. 6
JOHN FAIRCLOTH .. .. 3	STANLEY JENNER .. .. 7
IAN H. ORAM .. .. 4	THOMAS CULLINGWORTH .. Tenor

Arranged by JOHN R. MAYNE.

Conducted by IAN H. ORAM.

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



## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ACCRINGTON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. James.  
On Thurs., July 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 FALMOUTH SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt, 1 qr, 14 lb. in G.

RICHARD J. PARKER .. .. Treble	JEFF KERSHAW .. .. 5
MARYL R. CROSSTHWAITE .. 2	PHIL CROSSTHWAITE .. 6
RICHARD S. STARKIE .. .. 3	CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE .. 7
MARGERET E. FORT .. .. 4	BARRY PICKUP .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE.

Conducted by RICHARD J. PARKER.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

HARROW WEALD, Middlesex.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Wed., April 29, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5152 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt, 3 qr, 3 lb. in A.

ELSIE K. HART .. .. Treble	*CLIVE W. SIMPSON .. .. 5
BRYAN C. BURROUGH .. 2	S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN .. 6
*LORNA E. SIMPSON .. .. 3	ROGER BALDWIN .. .. 7
H. GEORGE HART .. .. 4	BERNARD E. MATTHEWS .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON. Conducted by ROGER BALDWIN.

\* First peal of Surprise. † First in the method.

## HARROW-ON-THE-HILL, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5024 UXBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt, 4 lb. in E.

H. GEORGE HART .. .. Treble	*S. KATHLEEN M. BALDWIN .. 5
ELSIE K. HART .. .. 2	*ROBIN A. HODGSON .. .. 6
*LORNA E. SIMPSON .. .. 3	*ROGER BALDWIN .. .. 7
*CLIVE W. SIMPSON .. .. 4	*KENNETH R. DUNSTAN .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN R. MAYNE.

Conducted by ROGER BALDWIN.

\* First peal in the method.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

HARROW WEALD, Middlesex.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Thurs., July 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 7 cwt, 3 qr, 3 lb. in A.

Holt's Original.	FREDERICK W. GOODFELLOW .. 5
H. GEORGE HART .. .. Treble	DAVID P. HILLING .. .. 6
MICHAEL HATCHETT .. .. 2	WILFRID G. WILSON .. .. 7
JOHN HILL .. .. 3	GILES R. SHEDDEN .. .. Tenor
*WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. 4	

Rung non-conducted and silent.

\* 350th peal.

## GREAT TEW, Oxon.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt, in D.

MICHAEL G. SELBY .. .. Treble	MICHAEL D. STANFORTH .. 5
MICHAEL J. HOBBS .. .. 2	MICHAEL W. COLEMAN .. 6
MICHAEL P. MORETON .. 3	*MICHAEL E. BROWN .. 7
MICHAEL J. THOMAS .. 4	MICHAEL J. FELLOWS .. Tenor

Composed by R. F. B. SPEED. Conducted by MICHAEL J. FELLOWS.

\* 200th peal. The first 'Michael' peal ever rung.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

FELMERSHAM, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5152 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 20 cwt, 2 qr, 18 lb. in E flat.

WILLIAM J. CHESTER .. Treble	*GRAHAM C. PAUL .. .. 5
JAMES LINNELL .. .. 2	*ALAN A. PAUL .. .. 6
ROBIN H. ROGERS .. .. 3	CHARLES E. TRUMAN .. 7
*ROGER W. SMITH .. .. 4	GEORGE W. HOLLAND .. Tenor

Composed by R. F. B. SPEED. Conducted by GRAHAM C. PAUL.

\* First peal in the method. First of Surprise Major as conductor.

## RECORD PEAL

## THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

LLANFEIGAN, Breconshire.—At the Church of St. Meagan.

On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 11 Hours and 6 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 20160 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt, 19 lb. in G.

BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. Treble	A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. 5
FRANK OSBALDISTON .. 2	FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. 6
JOHN C. EISEL .. .. 3	DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. 7
BASIL JONES .. .. 4	ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. KENNETH LEWIS. Conducted by BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE.

Umpire: GILES B. THOMPSON.

The longest peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major, surpassing the 17,104 rung at South Wigston, Leicestershire, on December 27th, 1904. Also the longest peal in Wales.

## CLIFFORD, Herefordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sun., July 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt, 1 qr, 14 lb. in F sharp.

ROBERT B. SMITH .. .. Treble	GILES B. THOMPSON .. 5
BRIAN J. WOODRUFFE .. 2	DAVID J. LLEWELLYN .. 6
BASIL JONES .. .. 3	JOHN C. EISEL .. .. 7
A. PETER WHITEHEAD .. 4	FREDERICK SHALLCROSS .. Tenor

Composed by W. BARTON.

Conducted by A. PETER WHITEHEAD.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

KINGSCLERE, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., June 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt.

MICHAEL G. HOLBROOK .. Treble	DAVID L. WILCOX .. .. 5
REGINALD W. REX .. .. 2	PHILIP MURDUCK .. .. 6
PAUL G. HOLMES .. .. 3	GEOFFREY K. DODD .. .. 7
DENBY P. MURDUCK .. .. 4	REGINALD F. CROOK .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN PRITCHARD.

Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.

First peal of Major on the bells.

## KINGSCLERE, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 WYCHWOOD SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt.

*PHILIP MURDUCK .. .. Treble	WILLIAM BIRMINGHAM .. 5
*MICHAEL HATCHETT .. 2	†D. KAY ADKINS .. .. 6
‡JENNIFER SCEFNY .. .. 3	†GEOFFREY K. DODD .. 7
†REGINALD W. REX .. .. 4	ALAN R. PINK .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. TIPLER.

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. † First in the method. ‡ First in the method 'inside.' First peal of Surprise on the bells, and the first in the method for the Guild.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

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

On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 10 cwt.

HAROLD HOOPER .. .. Treble	†ROY W. RICE .. .. 4
MARJORIE LEGG .. .. 2	‡WALTER S. RICE .. .. 5
*STANLEY LEWIS .. .. 3	GEORGE PRESCOTT .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE PRESCOTT.

\* First peal of Minor 'inside.' † First peal. ‡ First of Minor, First of Minor on the bells.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BEDFORD.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In six methods, viz.: Cambridge, College Exercise, Woodbine, Oxford T.B., Single Oxford and Plain Bob, being an extent of each with two different extents of Plain Bob.

GEORGE SEIH .. .. Treble	STEPHEN WOOLER .. .. 4
MARY EDWARDS .. .. 2	C. EDWARD JEFFRIES .. 5
RALPH CHAPMAN .. .. 3	ROBERT LAW .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT LAW.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

MISTLEY, Essex.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being extents of Norwich S., Cambridge S., D. Court, St. Clement's, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., Plain.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ALF E. HONEYWOOD .. Treble	ED. E. DAVEY .. .. 4
*FRANCES SMITH .. .. 2	URBAN W. WILDNEY .. 5
NEIL V. AVIS .. .. 3	ALAN R. ANDREWS .. .. Tenor

Conducted by URBAN W. WILDNEY.

\* First peal.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

WALLINGTON, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

J. STUART HUTTON .. Treble	*ANDREW M. C. MAYES .. 4
*JOHN MEREDITH .. .. 2	*TERENCE R. HATCHETT .. 5
C. MICHAEL ORME .. .. 3	EDWIN G. BUCK .. .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWIN G. BUCK.

\* First peal of Cambridge. First of Surprise as conductor.

Rung as a compliment to Susan M. Meredith and Thomas Dutton on their engagement.



## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BIRCHINGTON, Kent.—At Waterloo Tower, Quex Park.

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different callings.

*ANTHONY E. DAVIES (17) <i>Treble</i>	Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in C.
†GRAHAM G. FIRMAN (13) .. 2	CYRIL W. J. BEECHING .. 4
*MARTIN OSTLER (15) .. 3	DAVID I. CAWLEY .. 5
	FRANK C. W. KNIGHT .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by FRANK C. W. KNIGHT.

\* First peal. † First peal on an 'inside' bell. Believed to be the first peal on the middle six bells of the 12 which were hung in the tower in 1818.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ACCRINGTON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sun., July 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In six methods, being one extent each of Oxford T.B., Single Oxford, Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, St. Clement's and two extents of Plain Bob.

J. BARRY PICKUP .. .. <i>Treble</i>	Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb.
MARYL R. CROSTHWAITE .. 2	JEFFREY KERSHAW .. 4
MARGARET FORT .. .. 3	RICHARD STARKIE .. 5
	RICHARD J. PARKER .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by J. BARRY PICKUP.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

NEWTOWN LINDFORD, Leicestershire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., April 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 10 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 59 methods.	Tenor 7½ cwt.
*REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE <i>Treble</i>	DAVID F. MOORE .. 3
DAN S. PONT .. .. 2	†N. RODERICK ELLWAY .. 4
	MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by DAVID F. MOORE.

\* 100th tower bell peal. † Most methods to a peal.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.  
On Fri., May 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 2 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 105 methods.	Tenor 2 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb.
N. RODERICK ELLWAY .. <i>Treble</i>	RUPERT A. CLARKE .. 4
*MAURICE R. A. KIRK .. 2	*DAVID F. MOORE .. 5
DAN S. PONT .. .. 3	MALCOLM D. BARSBY .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by DAVID F. MOORE.

\* 25th peal together. Most methods for band.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

ULCEBY, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Wed., July 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being extents of London, Wells, York, Beverley, Surfleet, Cambridge and Bourne.

JACK BRAY .. .. <i>Treble</i>	Tenor 9 cwt. 8 lb.
RONALD CHAFER .. .. 2	*MICHAEL WHITING .. 4
*HAROLD JUDD .. .. 3	MICHAEL W. CROWDER .. 5
	JOHN HALL .. .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by JACK BRAY.

\* First peal of Surprise Minor.

A birthday compliment to the ringer of the second.

## THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

PENDOYLAN, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Cadoc.

On Wed., July 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 six-scores (four callings).	Tenor 8½ cwt.
GARETH H. JONES .. .. <i>Treble</i>	ELLIS N. THOMAS .. 4
*IOLO DAVIES .. .. 2	PAUL M. EVANS .. 5
CHRISTOPHER RICKETTS .. 3	W. J. LEWIS GROOM .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by PAUL M. EVANS.

\* First peal 'inside.' First as conductor. First on the bells.

Rung as a farewell to ringers of treble and fifth on their leaving Cowbridge Grammar School.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

BUCKLAND, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

FRANCES PROCTOR .. .. <i>Treble</i>	Tenor 6 cwt.
HOWARD OGLESBY .. .. 2	J. F. MAYBREY .. 4
CHRISTOPHER WEBB .. .. 3	W. H. JACKSON .. 5
	NOEL R. WAITE .. .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by NOEL R. WAITE.

First peal as conductor.

OLD MARSTON, Oxon.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Fri., July 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 24 methods, being 120 each of St. Nicholas, Marston, St. Martin, Old, St. Simon, Tichborne, Windendon Place, Seighford, Rushall, Little Aston, April Day, St. David, Kennington, Southrepps, Litchurch, St. Columbia, Clifford's, Fortune, 240 each of All Saints, Rev. St. Bartholomew, Northrepps and 720 each of Plain Bob, Grandsire and Rev. Canterbury.

LEONARD PORTER .. .. <i>Treble</i>	Tenor 6 cwt. (approx).
F. MARILYN BIRD .. .. 2	NOEL D. DEAM .. 3
	ROY H. JONES .. 4
	ALEC GAMMON .. .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by ROY H. JONES.

Rung for St. Swithun's; also as a birthday compliment to Mrs. M. Bird, mother of the second ringer.

SOUTH STOKE, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Mon., July 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 NORWICH SURPRISE MINOR

Being two 2,160's and one 720.

*GEOFFREY K. COOK .. .. <i>Treble</i>	Tenor 9 cwt. in A flat.
P. GERALD McILHONNE .. 2	ROGER M. HEYWORTH .. 4
†STEPHEN J. FRANKLIN .. 3	ANDREW J. HOWES .. 5
	ROBERT A. PARTRIDGE .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by P. GERALD McILHONNE.

\* First peal. † First of Surprise 'inside.' First touch in the method by the band.

Rung to celebrate the birth of a son to Michael and June Howes.

NORTH MORETON, Berkshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN DOUBLES

Being 42 120's.	Tenor 13 cwt. in G.
CHARLES J. ADAM .. .. <i>Treble</i>	ROBERT A. PARTRIDGE .. 3
GEOFFREY K. COOK .. .. 2	ANDREW J. JOBSON .. 4
	P. GERALD McILHONNE .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by P. GERALD McILHONNE.

First peal of Stedman Doubles for the band, and on the bells.

RADLEY, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. James-the-Great.

On Sun., July 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.	Tenor 6½ cwt.
DAVID P. STURGE .. .. <i>Treble</i>	*DAVID R. B. COLLINS .. 4
*JOCELYN COOKE .. .. 2	DAPHNE J. POLLARD .. 5
DAVID J. SALTER .. .. 3	MARIE R. CROSS .. .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by DAPHNE J. POLLARD.

\* First peal.

Rung by the Sunday service band for the 21st birthday of the conductor; also as a farewell to David R. B. Collins, secretary of the Radley College Campanological Society.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD

PETERBOROUGH, Northants.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., July 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In five methods, being 720 each of Single Court, Oxford Treble Bob, St. Clement's, Kent Treble Bob, Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

HERBERT GOAKES .. .. <i>Treble</i>	Tenor 8 cwt.
WENDY HOLLOWELL .. .. 2	FRANK BOYALL .. 4
RAYMOND H. DAW .. .. 3	ROY W. SPENCER .. 5
	JOHN H. BLUFF .. .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by JOHN H. BLUFF.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor and Mrs. Goakes, the wife of the treble ringer; also as a silver wedding compliment to Frank Boyall (ringer of the fourth) and his wife.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

BARNEY-IN-THE-WILLOWS, Notts.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Tues., July 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being 42 six-scores (four callings).	Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in C.
JACK L. MILLHOUSE .. .. <i>Treble</i>	MARY C. POYNER .. 4
ANNE E. BATESON .. .. 2	ALAN R. BALDOCK .. 5
*CHRISTINE M. FULLER .. 3	HARRY POYNER .. .. <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by REV. E. BANKES JAMES.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

\* First peal of Surprise.

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**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**GREAT HALE, Lincolnshire.**—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.  
*On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**  
 Being seven different standard callings of 720.  
 Tenor 12 cwt. in F sharp.

MARGARET E. CHILTON .. Treble	MAURICE W. HARRISON .. 4
RUTH BLACKSHAW .. 2	F. WILLIAM MIDWINTER .. 5
FREDERICK G. HOOPER .. 3	W. NEVILLE BROWN .. Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK G. HOOPER.

**THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**TRURO, Cornwall.**—At the Cathedral Church of St. Mary.  
*On Sat., July 18, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**  
 Being seven extents called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

*DEREK A. TRETHERWAY .. Treble	FRANCES M. RICKARD .. 4
†VALERIE J. PERKIN .. 2	ALAN CARVETH .. 5
ANTHONY LOCKE .. 3	ANTHONY J. DAVIDSON .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN CARVETH  
 \* First peal. † First of Minor.  
 The last peal on the bells before rehanging, and the first ever rung on the front six.

**THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY.**  
**BRISTOL.**—At the Church of St. John on the Wall.  
*On Thurs., June 25, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**  
 Being two extents of Cambridge Surprise, two of Kent T.B., one of St. Clement's and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. in F.

J. WILFRED SCARROTT .. Treble	C. MARTIN FOSTER .. 4
ELISABETH A. G. BOWDEN .. 2	DEREK B. WILLIAMS .. 5
DEREK M. SAWYER .. 3	PATRICK J. BIRD .. Tenor

Conducted by PATRICK J. BIRD.  
 Rung as a compliment to Mr. A. York-Bramble on the 50th anniversary of his first peal, which was rung in this tower on June 25th, 1914.

**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**  
**LEIGH SINTON, Worcs.**—At the Church of St. Edburgha.  
*On Sat., July 11th, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**  
 Being 42 six scores with ten callings. Tenor 17½ cwt.

*LEONARD PARRY .. Treble	ROGER ASHMORE .. 4
WALTER H. RAXTER .. 2	†RAYMOND ADAMS .. 5
FRED C. PUGH .. 3	CECIL DEAKIN .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER H. RAXTER  
 \* First peal. † First 'inside'.  
 A wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Deakin.

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
**CROFTON, Yorkshire.**—At the Church of All Saints.  
*On Wed., June 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**  
 Being one extent of Cambridge Surprise, two of Oxford T.B., two of Kent T.B., one St. Clement's and one Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb.

JANICE M. SMITH .. Treble	MALCOLM A. PHILLIPS .. 4
*RICHARD S. STARKIE .. 2	C. BARRIE DOVE .. 5
RONALD H. DOVE .. 3	JEFFREY J. FOX .. Tenor

Conducted by JEFFREY J. FOX.  
 \* 25th peal.

**HALF PEAL.**  
**HEMINGBROUGH, YORKS.**—On July 18th, 2,520 Minor (Kent and Plain): J. Potts 1, Miss J. Hingley 2, A. Sheppard 3, D. Sheppard 4, G. F. Terry 5, J. M. Thorley (cond.) 6. A peal attempt brought round.

**ALDRINGTON, SUSSEX.**—On July 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Wendy Morris (first quarter) 1, Stella G. Rice 2, Frances P. Gilbert 3, Ann Sharpe 4, Valerie Mephm (cond.) 5, D. Ribbett 6. As an 18th birthday compliment to the ringer of the 2nd; also to welcome Jennifer Rosemary (born June 11th) to Rosemary and Stan Brown, and Stewart Lawrence (born July 13th) to Joan and Harry Brown.  
**BERE REGIS, DORSET.**—On July 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: P. R. Keough 1, Ruth A. Elmes (first 'inside') 2, Mary E. Elmes 3, M. J. Young 4, G. W. Elmes (cond.) 5, J. W. Blackwood 6.  
**BILSTON, STAFFS.**—On June 21st, 1,340 Plain Bob Doubles: T. J. Greaves (first quarter) 1, P. G. K. Davies 2, R. B. Darrington (first 'inside') 3, J. Wellings 4, R. M. Hodister (cond.) 5, M. McEvoy 6. For Evensong, and as a compliment to Harold Yardley and Tom Leadbeater, for their many years' service as wardens of this church.

**BROMHAM, WILTS.**—On July 11th, 1,260 Doubles (11 different methods and variations): K. B. Osborne 1, Pamela A. Osborne 2, D. P. Bailey (cond.) 3, D. A. Powney 4, C. C. Hillier 5, W. J. Hughes 6. A golden wedding tribute to Mr. and Mrs. A. Hughes.

## QUARTER PEALS

**CHERITON, KENT.**—On July 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Elizabeth O'Grady 1, Mary Munt 2, Rev. C. Munt 3, W. C. Chandler 4, A. Eastmead (cond.) 5, D. Corner 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Cecil Roberts, deputy organist.

**CHIPSTABLE, SOMERSET.**—On July 21st, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: W. Nurcombe 1, S. Smith 2, G. Sparks 3, H. Purchase 4, F. Casley 5, E. Quick (cond.) 6. Rung for induction of the Rector.

**CHRISTCHURCH, HANTS.**—On July 11th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: R. Crampin 1, R. Broadest 2, H. A. Mitchell 3, D. Wilson (first on ten bells) 4, R. Kiddle 5, R. Ingham 6, A. V. Davis (cond.) 7, L. Cobb 8, C. Conway 9, W. T. Godfrey 10. For the Festival of Flowers at the Priory Church.

**DOWNE, KENT.**—On July 12th, 1,440 St. Clement's Bob Minor: E. G. H. Godfrey 1, Margaret C. Godfrey 2, D. P. Smith 3, C. H. Cook 4, I. V. J. Smith 5, T. Lewis (cond.) 6. First in the method for 3, 4, 5, 6. Rung for the birth of the conductor's nephew.

**EDENHAM, Lincs.**—On July 4th, 1,344 Cambridge Major: C. Wade (cond.) 1, D. A. Friih 2, A. J. Simpson 3, H. E. Burrell 4, W. A. Holmes 5, P. A. Hill (first of Surprise) 6, D. R. Baxter (first of Surprise) 7, J. W. Haw 8. Rung for the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Hill.

**A GENTLEMAN RINGER**—Continued from front page.

in the structure of some of those compositions he has lately sent for publication. The one in question, however, is upon no intricate plan.

And indeed the peal was perfectly true.

Two months later, on Whit Monday, May 21st, the Cheltenham men again went for their long length and again Phillott rang the second. This time they were successful, and rang 13,054 changes in 8 hours 16 minutes. The peal was particularly noteworthy, too, for being the first of Stedman Caters called by W. T. Pates, who was for many years to be the Ringing Master at Cheltenham. Phillott was unusually enthusiastic in his praise of the ringing: 'True and first-class peal; splendid striking throughout—excellent and could not be surpassed.'

And on that note of success the notebook ends. Most of George Phillott's later ringing career until his death in September, 1926, in a Cheltenham nursing home can be traced through back numbers of 'The Bell News' and 'The Ringing World.' He lived through one of the most stirring periods in ringing history; when he learnt to handle a bell, the standard methods were Grandsire and Stedman; Diocesan and Territorial Associations were unknown—and he was instrumental in forming some of the earliest; there were no ringing tours—within six years of learning to ring he was one of the pioneers. How much do we all owe to such as George Phillott, Esq., B.A.?

Concluded

**MESSINGHAM, Lincolnshire.**—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.  
*On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**  
 In seven methods, being extents of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Double Oxford, Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

JOHN POTTS .. Treble	*ALAN SHEPPARD .. 4
MELVYN A. ROSE .. 2	†JOHN F. UNDERWOOD .. 5
JAMES THORLEY .. 3	†J. MARTIN THORLEY .. Tenor

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.  
 \* 150th peal. † 25th together.

**WRAGBY, Yorkshire.**—At the Church of St. Michael and Our Lady.  
*On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**  
 In four methods, being one extent of St. Clement's, and two each of Plain Bob, Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lbs. in G.

FRED BENNETT .. Treble	GEORGE HANCOCK .. 4
*PATRICIA LOCKWOOD .. 2	*ERIC ROBINSON .. 5
*IAN NORTH .. 3	DAVID S. LOCKWOOD .. Tenor

Conducted by DAVID S. LOCKWOOD.  
 \* First peal in four methods.

## HANDBELL PEAL

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**MACCLESFIELD, Cheshire.**—At 20, Tytherington Court.  
*On Tues., July 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 7 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**  
 Being seven extents. Tenor size 15 in C.

*DEREK F. YATES .. 1-2	ROBERT B. SMITH (cond.) .. 3-4
ALAN MCFALL .. 5-6	

\* First peal on handbells.

**GRANTHAM, Lincs.**—On July 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: D. A. Friih (cond.) 1, Miss C. Lewis 2, D. Hopkinson 3, D. Baxter 4, F. W. Pinchbeck 5, P. A. Hill 6, J. W. Watson 7, P. A. Slight 8, J. R. Holmes 9, H. R. Woods 10. First of Royal 2 and 3. Rung to welcome Juliette Claire Hill.

**HARBURY, WARWICKS.**—On July 15th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: E. J. Gower 1, J. Susan Smith 2, F. M. Robottom 3, I. C. Maycock 4, M. A. Phillips 5, R. D. Gibson (cond.) 6. First of Cambridge for 2, 3 and 5.

**HARSTON, CAMBS.**—On June 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: W. J. Ridgman 1, B. Horrell 2, A. E. Ling 3, A. I. Martin (first quarter) 4, H. F. Brown 5, B. Pratt (cond.) 6.

**HAWKHURST, KENT.**—On July 12th, 1,260 Doubles (780 Grandsire, 480 Plain Bob), on the middle five: R. W. Playford 1, P. D. Harrison 2, Judy Bowen 4, W. Gorrington (cond.) 5, A. H. Kemp 6, S. G. Waters 7, B. Stevens 8.

**HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS.**—On July 5th, 1,440 York Surprise Minor: Miss J. K. A. Cook 1, C. L. Bell 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, P. Woolven 4, A. J. Davey 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service.

**HISTON, CAMBS.**—On July 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss R. Jenkins (16) 1, Miss C. Dines (15) 2, J. Hawes (14, first quarter) 3, W. Muncey (14) 4, M. Hawes (15) 5, M. Carter (first in method as cond.) 6. First in method 1 and 2. Rung by the Sunday service band, all being Pathfinders from the Sunday school.



## QUARTER PEALS

**ROGATE, SUSSEX.**—On June 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss E. Stevinson 1, K. Sansom 2, M. J. Bura 3, K. Tipper 4, J. H. Payton (cond.) 5, B. G. D. Vince 6.

**SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.**—On June 21st, 1,260 Minor (Cambridge Surprise, Plain Bob): D. W. Stenson 1, B. G. Warwick 2, A. R. Mildred 3, Carol I. V. Corton 4, K. H. Mildred (first of Surprise as cond.) 5, M. G. Wood 6. For Evensong. Also on June 28th, 1,344 Doubles (12 methods): B. G. Warwick (cond.) 1, Carol I. V. Corton 2, A. R. Mildred 3, K. H. Mildred 4, R. K. Stretton 5, M. Brown 6. For Festal Evensong on the Eve of St. Peter.

**STALYBRIDGE, CHESHIRE.**—On July 12th, 1,320 Grandsire Doubles: Maureen Wrigley 1, K. Hall (cond.) 2, A. Hodgson 3, L. Wilson 4, G. Gill 5, F. Howard 6. Rung by the Sunday service band, on the occasion of the retirement of the Rector, Canon Hamer.

**STANTON DREW, SOMERSET.**—On July 16th, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): M. J. Horseman 1, A. Perry 2, E. T. Lee 3, D. G. Yeo 4, J. Brain (cond.) 5.

**STEEP, HANTS.**—On July 18th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Grandsire, Plain Bob): Elizabeth M. Whitmore 1, T. R. Whitmore 2, Gail R. Coulton (first 'inside') 3, L. J. M. Smith 4, C. E. Bassett (cond.) 5, R. A. Stone 6.

**STOKE BISHOP, BRISTOL.**—On July 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. J. Gray 1, P. Gray 2, B. Huddleston 3, D. Huddleston 4, Dr. J. A. Bennett 5, Rev. D. Sansum (first of Minor as cond.) 6. A farewell to the conductor who was instituted to a living in Birmingham on July 21st.

**STOKE-NEXT-GUILDFORD, SURREY.**—On July 15th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Molly Lodge (first quarter) 1, Jean Harrison 2, Pat Sankey (first 'inside') 3, J. Harrison 4, Elizabeth Stevinson (cond.) 5, J. Stacey 6. For Confirmation service.

**SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.**—On July 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Celia Chandler 1, Grace Burchall (cond.) 2, Susan Moxon 3, Katharine Burchall 4, H. Hawcroft 5, A. Parsons 6, D. Williamson 7, R. Beresford 8. A welcome to the new Bishop of Southwell and Mrs. Savage, on their first visit to Sutton.

**UPPER BEEDING, SUSSEX.**—On July 19th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Angela Grainger 1, S. E. Armstrong 2, R. I. Vaughan 3, F. Rowell 4, J. R. Norris (50th quarter) 5, B. J. Stone 6, W. A. Riddington (cond.) 7, B. G. North 8. For Evensong, and to celebrate the golden wedding anniversary of the Rev. E. Streete and Mrs. Streete.

**WANDSWORTH, S.W.**—At Holy Trinity Church, West Hill, on July 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Jean Egerton 1, A. S. Bishop 2, Catherine Harrison 3, N. F. Edwards 4, Deborah Hopkins 5, J. E. Reed 6, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 7, J. H. Gaze 8. For Evensong, also a 17th birthday compliment to John Gaze.

**WARBLETON, SUSSEX.**—On July 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Cope 1, Jill Lucas 2, Sybil Tonkin 3, P. Pope 4, Rosemary Earl (cond.) 5, L. Wright 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. G. Becey.

**WARMISTON, WILTS.**—On July 18th, 1,344 Grandsire Triples: E. C. Shepherd 1, P. Royton 2, Miss E. Batebeler 3, E. E. Norris 4, A. Bull 5, B. D. Price (cond.) 6, N. G. Kneet 7, J. Ovenden 8. Rung for the opening of the annual fete.

**WELLINGTON, HEREFORDS.**—On July 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Julie A. V. Caligari 1, Angela Jay (first of Minor) 2, Christine M. Jay 3, P. D. S. Caligari 4, J. F. I. Turney (cond.) 5, G. T. Cousins 6. Rung as a welcome to the Assistant Bishop of the diocese, on the eve of the Patronal Festival.

**WESTBURY, WILTS.**—On July 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Davis (first away from tenor and of Triples) 1, Mrs. B. Newton 2, Mrs. F. Penn 3, J. Nibbs 4, N. Spencer (first of Triples) 5, R. Quartley (first of Triples as cond.) 6, F. Penn 7, J. Lucas 8.

**WEST TARRING, SUSSEX.**—On May 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Leach 1, D. Smith (first 'inside') 2, R. Cox 3, Rev. N. Smith 4, S. Howard (conductor) 5, A. George 6.

**WHITCHURCH, TAVEROCK, DEVON.**—On July 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. J. Cann (first quarter) 1, Doris A. Bray 2, H. Hicks 3, G. E. Mudge (first quarter) 4, W. C. Boucher (cond.) 5, L. R. Cundy 6. Believed to be the first quarter on the bells.

**WIVELISCUMBE, SOMERSET.**—On July 20th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: A. Gale 1, H. V. Young 2, Mrs. J. S. Powell 3, H. Purchase 4, F. Casley 5, W. J. Nurcombe 6, W. A. F. Knight (cond.) 7, G. Sparkes 8.

## PERHAPS IT IS IN THE POST?

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We hear an encouraging report from St. Andrew's, Whitchurch, Devon. Here Mrs. D. A. Bray has been teaching Grandsire since Christmas to five boys between the ages of 14 and 17. Two of the band rang their first quarter on July 21st and it was well-struck and practically faultless. This is believed to be the first quarter on the bells. The rest of the team hope to ring their 'first' soon.



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### BIRTH

SAVORY.—On Monday, July 20th, 1964, to Elizabeth (nee Trent) and Roger, at Hythe Hospital, Hampshire, a daughter, Caroline Helen. 5050

### ENGAGEMENT

DAVIES—GARDINER.—The engagement is announced between Geoffrey, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Davies, of Hanley, Staffordshire, and Elizabeth, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Gardiner, of Wyken, Coventry, Warwickshire. 5051

### DEATHS

GOLDEN.—Christine Carolyn, aged 18, the beloved elder daughter of Nolan and Iris, on July 8th, 1964, at her home at 26, Brabazon Road, Norwich, after a long illness, borne with fortitude and cheerfulness. 5058

ORCHARD. Sidney James.—Chairman of the Chiltern Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, suddenly at Little Missenden, Bucks, on July 8th, 1964. 5057

### IN MEMORIAM

MYERS. Blanche.—Who passed over on July 24th, 1961, widow of the late G. Harry; remembered with love and affection by her children, Tom, Will, Arminel and Fred; grandchildren, Malcolm and Graham. 5069

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

BLATCH.—The address of Mr. Fred Blatch is now 103, High Road, Orsett, Grays, Essex. 4045

### PERSONAL

'Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.' (1 Cor. x, 12.)

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### MISCELLANEOUS

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Evening practice meetings at Charlwood on August 5th and September 2nd at 7.30 p.m.—G. A. West. 5063

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### MEETINGS

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—Evening meeting at Stevington, Saturday, August 1st. Bells from 5.30 p.m.—F. W. Rivett, Dis. Sec. 5067

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Warwick Branch.—Monthly meeting, Saturday, August 1st, Tysoe. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Bring own tea. 5049

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DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Meeting, Saturday, August 1st, Morpeth Watch Tower (8). Start at 3 p.m. Tea at Proudlock's Cafe 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. N. L. Wright, 10, De Merlay Road, Morpeth, Northumberland. 5047

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Evening meeting at Sutton (6), Saturday, August 1st. Bells 6-8.30 p.m. Special methods: Stedman and Ipswich. 5046

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Meeting at Seale (6), Saturday, August 1st, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss D. O'Connell, Syulth Cottage, Seale, Farnham. 5038

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—Meeting at Ribchester on August 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m., business to follow.—J. Pilkington. 5052

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Lancaster Branch.—Meeting at Morecambe on Saturday, August 1st. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. David Bradshaw, 11A, Downes Grove, Morecambe, Lancs. 5059

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.—Monthly meeting at Parbold, Saturday, August 1st, at 2.30 p.m. Own arrangements for tea. All visitors welcomed.—D. R. Jones, Hon. Sec. 5064

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guilborough Branch.—Meeting at Oxendon, Saturday, August 1st. Names to J. E. Goddard, 45, Station Road, Long Buckby, Rugby. 5072

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—Quarterly meeting at Withyham, Saturday, August 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. E. L. Hairs, Hon. Sec., Norman Cottage, Park Corner, Groombridge. Tel. 438. 5023

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION (Chesterfield District). SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY AND EAST DERBYS AND WEST NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—Joint meeting at Bolsover and Scarcliffe, August 3rd (Bank Holiday Monday). Bells: Scarcliffe (5), 2.30-4; Bolsover (8), 3.30-5 p.m. and after meeting. Names for tea without fail, please, to Mr. D. Cooper, 84, New Bolsover, Bolsover, Chesterfield. No name no tea.—M. Phipps, J. Seager, T. Radford, Hon. Secs. 5053

SURREY ASSOCIATION (Northern District) and GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (Leatherhead District)—Joint meeting at Leatherhead on Monday, August 3rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. for those who notify Mr. G. Marriner, 6, Leach Grove, Leatherhead Surrey, by July 30th. Ashstead bells available 3-4 p.m. 5022

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Meeting on Saturday, August 8th, at Shipbourne (6) 3.0-5.0 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Seal Chart (6) 6.30-8.30 p.m. Names for tea by August 6th to C. W. Hancock, 116, Higham Lane, Tonbridge, Kent. 5027

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Swindon Branch.—Meeting, August 8th, Wanborough (6). Names for tea to Luton, 169, Cheney Manor Road, Swindon. 5056

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—August meeting will be held at Berkhamsted on Saturday, 8th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. D. Sennett, 33, Curtis Way, Berkhamsted. No name no tea.—R. Sheppard. 5066

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—The postponed quarterly meeting will be held at Lamberhurst on Saturday, August 8th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Names for tea, please, by Wednesday, August 5th.—W. H. Dobbie, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5029

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Furness and Lake District Branch.—Meeting, Cartmel on Saturday, August 8th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, August 5th, to Mr. H. Dixon, Merebeck, Cartmel, Grange-over-Sands.—T. F. Metcalfe, Sec. 5041

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—Meeting at Hoghton, Saturday, August 8th. Names for tea, please, by Wednesday, 5th, to Mr. W. Illsley, 'Woodside', Station Road, Hoghton, Preston. Preston-Blackburn old road, bus 158. Also near 298 bus route.—L. Walmsley. 5065

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch.—Evening practice meeting, Saturday, August 8th, at Tuebrook, St. John's. Bells (8) 5.30-7.30 p.m. Everyone welcome.—Terence M. Fitzgerald, Committee Member. 5049

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—Meeting on Saturday, August 8th, at St. Thomas', Leesfield, Oldham (3 to 5 p.m.) and St. Thomas', Moorside, Oldham (from 6.30 p.m.). Own tea arrangements. Everybody very welcome.—J. P. Partington. 5055

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Loughborough District.—Joint with Syston District at Quorn on August 8th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Church Room 5 p.m. 5028

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION (N. and E. District) and LADIES' GUILD (Central District).—Harrow-on-the-Hill, August 8th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Separate business meetings. Evening ringing.—E. H. Kilby, J. Spreadbury, Dis. Sec. 5056

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Davenport Branch.—Special Meeting at Farnborough and Burton Dassett, Saturday, August 8th. Farnborough, 3.45 p.m. Tea, Fenny Compton, 5. Burton Dassett, 6-9 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Spraggett, Mill Hill Farm, Fenny Compton, Leamington Spa, by Monday previous.—F. W. Hancock. 5073

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—An evening meeting will be held at Wellington on Saturday, August 8th. Bells (8) available 6 to 8 p.m.—E. Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec. 5060

SUFFOLK GUILD.—North-West District.—Ringing meeting at Horringer (8), Saturday, August 8th. Bells 3 to 9 p.m. Service 4 p.m. bring your own tea, cups of tea can be bought at cafe two minutes' walk from church.—A. T. Ballam, Dis. Sec. 5070

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—Quarterly meeting at Kirdford (6), Saturday, August 8th. Ringing at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30 p.m., followed at 5 p.m. by tea and business meeting. Please notify for tea R. Wake, 28, Keynor Estate, Sidlesham, Chichester. 5054

SUFFOLK GUILD.—N.E. District.—Quarterly meeting at Aldeburgh (8), Saturday, August 15th. Bells 2.30-9 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea not later than Wednesday, August 12th, to Mr. J. Pilgrim, 1, Linden Close, Aldeburgh, Suffolk. 5071

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—The Oswy Street Memorial Cup, contest of 720 changes open to any band, will take place at Laxton (6) on Saturday, August 29th. Names for tea by 25th to Mr. D. Chambers, Dovecote Cottage, Laxton, Newark, Notts. Copies of Rules from H. Denman, 2, Ashham Road, Rockley, Retford, Notts. 5062

Roving Ringers assembled at Beddington on July 11th and rang a peal of Grandsire Caters in honour of the wedding of two former secretaries of the society—Derek Astridge and Marilyn Gibbs.

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.—On July 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: June E. Wood 1, A. R. Mildred 2, Mr. B. G. Warwick 3, Carol I. V. Corton 4, R. K. Sifton 5, M. G. Wood 6, K. H. Mildred (cond.) 7, M. Brown (first on eight) 8. For Sunday School Festival.



# MR. CLAUDE RUSH DELVES INTO 'CHURCH BELLS'

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## QUARTER PEALS

**ST. MARY'S, LEIGH, LANCS**  
2 Feb., 1878, being the anniversary of the opening of the church after having been rebuilt and the bells having been recently rehung and quarter turned by Mears and Stainbank... 5,040 Grandsire Triples, 3 hours. Tenor 21 cwt. 'The first true and complete peal since the bells were rehung.'

**DURHAM DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**  
Meeting at the Cathedral, 25 Feb., 1878. 'A dinner will be provided (1s. per head) at one o'clock at the Half Moon, New Elvet.'

**'RINGING FARCE AT STOKE CLIMSLAND, CORNWALL**  
On 14th Feb., 1878, a ringing match was held on the fine ring of eight bells at the parish church. Great interest was taken in the contest, the church and churchyard being crowded during the competition....

The Editor adds a note saying that the competition was a waste of money and utterly useless in the way of bellfry reform and progress in ringing proper.... 'As for prize-ringing, the parsons are to blame for allowing that... Fancy "fifty-four cross changes" being called a "capital peal"! he concludes.

Apparently the Rector wrote to the Editor and in a subsequent issue the Editor wrote: '...there can be no objection to "ups and downs and rounds and rounds" before services, they are more after the ancient practice than change-ringing, which is a comparatively modern introduction. What we object to is the offering of prizes for any ringing. All the best ringers in England confess that pleasure-ringing for money never made out anything. It must be studied and practised as a labour of love.'

### WHERE ARE THE FINEST BELLS?

'A Lover of Good Bells' writes, 'It would be a great advantage to some of your readers to know where the finest bells really exist in this country. For myself, I think the ring at Lavenham, Suffolk, especially the tenor and treble, the most beautiful I have yet heard.'

This brought a number of observations during the succeeding weeks.

'A Lover of Good Ringing and Good Bells' thought the finest bells were at Holbeck, Yorks. 'The whole ring of 8 is the most beautiful I have heard.'

Charles P. Davies, of Pembroke College, Oxford, after explaining how difficult it was to make a decision, mentioned the ten at Magdalen College, Oxford; the eight at Pershore, Worcestershire; and the last ten of the Painswick twelve. He added, 'Why are so many of our tenors made disproportionately thick, so that even in rounds and "tenor behind" they come with a slight crash on the rest, and when "turned in" absolutely drown them?'

'College Youth' said that East Retford, Notts (tenor 24 cwt.), St. Mary's, Sheffield (25 cwt.), St. Peter's, Nottingham (25 cwt.), and Youlgreave, Derbyshire (26 cwt.), 'are acknowledged by all who have heard them to be the finest rings in the Kingdom.'

Then 'A Lover of Good Bells' returns with a long letter which ends, 'I know a ring of ten, having a fair repute, cast by an eminent firm, the scale of which, being put upon a rod shows itself to be of the very worst description: a large, thick, fluty treble, third and fourth within a quarter of an inch of the same size, the fourth being hacked to pieces to flatten it to something like its note; the ninth and tenth twice the proper distance apart they should be, to correspond with the eighth and ninth; the ninth very fluty; and the tenth crazy in the extreme!'

These views of his were strongly condemned by later correspondents.

Hervey Reeves writes: 'It is the prevailing opinion that the most musical ring of twelve is at St. Michael's, Cornhill, which vies with St. Peter's, of Norwich, in beauty of tone.' For a ten he gives St. Michael's, Coventry. For eights, St. Botolph, Aldgate, St. Stephen, Westminster, and St. John South Hackney. Of Lavenham, he says, 'I have frequently heard of Lavenham bells, the tenor of which is said to be a most extraordinary bell; but,

her companions not coming up to her standard, the exceedingly beautiful tone of the tenor is somewhat marred.' He also mentioned the eight at St. Helen's, Worcester, 'said to be a maiden peal.'

H. Dains, Royal Cumberland Youths, thought St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, superior to St. Michael's, Cornhill: St. Andrew's, Holborn, was his choice of any eight in London.

Another correspondent asked, 'Who is to judge or tell, for who has heard all the rings in England? Or who is able to retain the sounds of one ring in Scotland and another in Cornwall, for comparison? Or who has the musical ear to appreciate fully all tones and harmonies?'

### ST. MARY'S, NOTTINGHAM

'Centenary of the great peal of 10,260 Grandsire Caters rung at this church, March 3rd, 1778, in 7 hours 22 minutes. Conducted by W. D. Crofts, Solicitor.'

On 7 Mar., 1878, the ringers of St. Mary's commemorated the event by ringing 5,219 Grandsire Caters in 3 hours 27 minutes (tenor 34 cwt.), the company all having been taught to ring by the conductor, W. Widdowson, his last peal. The correspondent regretted that the ringing should have taken place during Lent, but it was to celebrate the centenary of the great peal.

### WIGAN PARISH CHURCH

23 Mar., 1878, the ringers of this church rang their first peal. Holt's Ten-Part Grandsire Triples, 3 hours 12 minutes. Tenor 28 cwt.

### YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS

22 April, 1878, the Easter meeting was held at Leeds. Leeds, Holbeck and Hunslet bells were rung. During the morning a peal of 5,040 Kent T.B. Maximus in 3 hours 50 minutes was rung on the Leeds bells, the first of Maximus on the bells, 'which have lately been put in order by Mr. T. Mallaby, of Marsham.' Tenor 36 cwt.

To be continued.

## THE LADIES' GUILD

### Eastern District

Twenty-three members and friends of the Eastern District of the Ladies' Guild journeyed by coach on Friday, July 10th, to Ashbourne (where we stayed for two nights) to attend the annual meeting of the Guild at Macclesfield. Those who had been allocated lodgings in the Old Parsonage were not at all well received when they mistakenly arrived at the Vicarage at 11 p.m., but otherwise the journey was uneventful.

Saturday morning proved somewhat hectic. A funeral at the first tower, Bollington, and broken fifth and tenor ropes at Nether Alderley made our visits to these towers and to Prestbury and Chelford hasty, in order that the ladies on the Executive Committee might be in Macclesfield as near to 1 p.m. as possible. During the afternoon and evening most of the party managed to ring at the three Macclesfield towers as well as attend the service and excellent tea. On the way back to Ashbourne we rang at Gawsorth, Sutton and Congleton, and made a detour in order to visit 'The Cat and Fiddle' (the highest inn in England).

The journey home was less tiring, beginning at 9.15 a.m. on Sunday. We rang for, and attended, Matins at St. Alkmund's, Derby, and after lunch went on to Loughborough Parish Church (where we failed to do justice to either the bells or ourselves), Sileby (where we redeemed ourselves somewhat), Rothwell, and Kettering, where we joined the local band in ringing for Evensong. A meal in Kettering put us in good voice for the 100 miles still ahead of us, which were soon covered thanks to our very efficient driver, Gunner (also a ringer).

We are all most grateful to Alice Lester for arranging the trip and look forward to a repeat performance next year. Eastbourne, here we come!

L. R. P.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On July 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: R. Larkin 1, R. Blackshaw (cond.) 2, M. W. Harrison 3, D. Barker 4, J. Heaps 5. For Evensong. Also on July 6th, 1,320 Doubles (five methods): L. B. King and D. Barker 1, M. W. Harrison and R. Marsh 2, R. Blackshaw (cond.) 3, J. Heaps 4, R. Larkin 5. Rung to welcome Robert George Barker, born this day. Also on July 12th, 1,320 Doubles (five methods): J. Dowse 1, M. W. Harrison 2, R. Blackshaw 3, J. Heaps 4, R. Larkin (cond.) 5. For Evensong.

**HOLMER, HEREFORDS.**—On July 19th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: R. G. Allen (first quarter) 1, Mrs. P. D. Morgan (first 'inside') 2, C. Smith 3, J. E. Wightman 4, P. G. Morgan (cond.) 5, P. A. Brain (first quarter) 6.

**HOWDEN, YORKS.**—On July 15th, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: A. B. Cooper 1, G. K. Smith 2, K. Goldthorpe 3, F. C. Hobson 4, C. C. Brown 5, I. G. Campbell 6, D. S. Johnson 7, R. Ducker (cond.) 8. First in the method for 2, 3, 5 and 8.

**HUNTINGDON.**—At All Saints' Church, on July 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Capt. Marybelle Nisly (first quarter) 1, H. Levens 2, G. E. Bonham 3, Miss J. K. A. Cook 4, P. Woolven 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service.

**KINGSBURY, WARWICKS.**—On July 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Maureen Critchley (13) 1, N. W. Richards (12) 2, K. C. Richards 3, Anthea C. Richards 4, R. Farmer 5, G. H. Lane (cond.) 6. First quarter 1 and 2. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to H. T. Maddox, aged 44 years, organist, choirmaster and ringer at this church, who passed away this day.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On July 2nd, 1,272 Bob Minimus: A. Neilson 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, Myrtle Cook 3, H. P. Yates 4, Robert Gemmel 5. For Evensong. Also on July 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Neilson 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, Rachel Sinden 3, Myrtle Cook 4, B. L. Marks 5, R. P. Brotherton (cond.) 6. For annual P.C.C. service, North Lympne Deanery. Also on July 19th, 1,260 Doubles (in six methods): A. Neilson 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, R. P. Brotherton 3, H. P. Yates 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, R. Gemmel 6. For Evensong.

**OXFORD.**—At the Church of St. Aldate, on June 21st, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Miss G. Gray 1, P. J. Heritage 2, J. Venn 3, R. H. Allsorth 4, E. R. Venn (cond.) 5, P. Waddell (first quarter) 6. Rung prior to Evensong as a silver wedding compliment to the Rev. and Mrs. de Berry. Also on June 28th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss G. Gray 1, E. R. Venn (cond.) 2, R. Benstead 3, R. H. Allsorth 4, J. Venn 5, M. R. Hickman 6. Rung prior to Evensong in memoriam the father of the ringer of 3rd.

**OXFORD.**—At the Church of St. Ebbe, on July 7th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: B. W. Hall 1, C. J. Groome (first of Stedman) 2, H. W. Badger 3, B. Wakefield 4, P. J. Heritage 5, F. W. Soden 6, E. R. Venn (cond.) 7, E. G. Jones 8.

**PENZANCE, CORNWALL.**—On June 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Rev. A. S. Roberts 1, G. W. Taysom 2, Mary Carveth 3, A. F. Burley 4, A. Carveth (cond.) 5, A. Locke 6, A. V. Wingate 7, A. J. Davidson 8.

**PERSHORE, WORCS.**—At the Abbey, on July 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Grinell (first quarter of Triples) 1, Marilyn Jackson 2, Anna Sadowska 3, A. Berry 4, A. Halling 5, J. Attwood, jnr. 6, J. E. Whittall (first of Triples as cond.) 7, M. Hawkes 8.

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## BETJEMAN — A POET OF ECCLESIOLOGY

By PETER CAME

**J**OHN Betjeman's love of churches, their architecture and furnishings, is well known from his many articles, poems, broadcasts and from the book he edited: 'Collins' Guide to the English Churches.' He is in fact one of the few interesting and sophisticated writers on the subject and seems to discover aspects about any church that both please and amuse him; things that the average person would overlook.

Again, Betjeman's familiarity and deep affection for English ecclesiology is only too apparent from his 'Collected Poems.' The reading of these gives one the impression that he has much more than just an interest in matters ecclesiological; he is fanatical about them. Anything from musty hassocks to a great piece of architecture like Westminster Abbey gains his attention. This interest is of paramount importance to his life and his enthusiasm for things ecclesiastical has perhaps come down from Gray, of 'The Elegy in a Country Churchyard,' who seems to be Betjeman's true poetic ancestor.

In 'Before the Anæsthetic' or 'Real Fright' are found many ecclesiological terms as well as other terms that are obviously analogous with those in campanology, together with the author's apparent fear of death. In this poem many terrifying thoughts are conveyed to him through the noise of the bells. The bells at first call softly and gently and finally become hard:

Now hard and new as pitch pine stalls,  
Now full with hope from ages past,  
Now dull with death and hell at last.  
Swing up! and give me hope of life,  
Swing down! and plunge the surgeon's knife.  
I, breathing for a moment, see  
Death wing himself away from me  
And think, as on this bed I lie,  
Is it extinction when I die?

After his doubting during the fright, the bells ask him whether he has known the Lord. He replies:

St. Giles's bells they hear me call  
I never knew the Lord at all.  
Oh not in me your Saviour dwells  
Your ancient, rich St. Giles's bells  
Illuminating missals—spires—  
Wide screens and decorated quires—  
All these I loved, and on my knees  
I thanked myself for knowing these.

Once again this poem shows only too clearly Betjeman's love for churches. They delight him and however pathetic or depressed he feels he knows that there is something to live for: 'I thanked the Lord for knowing these.'

Betjeman has studied Victorian architecture with great diligence:

On villa'd hill and on Sir Gilbert's spire  
So new, so high, so pure, so broached, so tall.

The author can appreciate that the spire of '... Christ Church, Swindon,' has qualities as a piece of architecture: it is tall and broached and is as pure a Gothic as Sir Gilbert Scott could make it.

Betjeman's pursuit of things Victorian, if he is being serious, is well brought out in the poem 'Hymn,' referring to 'The Church's Restoration in eighteen eighty three,' of which he sings the praises:

Worthy persecution  
Oh dust! O hue divine!  
O cheerful substitution,  
Thou varnished pitch pine!  
Church furnishing! Church furnishing!  
Sing art and crafty praise!

It seems that Betjeman finds something aesthetically beautiful in Victorian architecture which other people perhaps fail to appreciate. He has a very deep feeling for it, which may be either religious or sentimental, as conveyed to us in 'St. Saviour's, Aberdeen Park, Highbury, London, N.':

Great red church of my parents cruciform crossing  
they knew—

Over these same encaustics they and their parents trod  
Bound through a red-brick transept for a once familiar  
pew

Where the organ set them singing and the sermon let  
them nod

And up this coloured brickwork the same long  
shadows grew.

As these in the stencilled chancel where I feel in the  
presence of God.

Lord Birkenhead in his introduction to 'Collected Poems,' quoting John Sparrow, has described Betjeman as 'a landscape poet' (though he does not completely ignore his ecclesiastical interests). This description does not do justice to Betjeman's true interest. There are few of his poems in which one does not find mention of the 'broached spire,' the 'Victorian tower,' the tombstone or even the noise of bells. He is obviously so aware of churches, their architecture and furnishings, that he rarely fails to leave them out of any of his writings. Even in 'The Licorice Fields at Pontefract' he has to include:

From various black Victorian towers  
The Sunday evening bells  
Came pealing over dales and hills:

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## MISS JEAN BARNETT'S WEDDING

THE wedding took place at St. Paulinus', Crayford, on Saturday, July 18th, of Miss Jean F. Barnett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Barnett, of Crayford, and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Barnett and Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Hairs, and Mr. James A. D. Woolford, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Woolford, of Acomb, Yorks. The service was conducted by the Rector (Canon P. C. Collins), and during the ceremony Miss Gillian Sunmall, a young member of the Crayford band, sang 'Jesu, joy of man's desiring.'

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a princess line white satin brocade dress with a short bouffant veil and carried a crescent of dark red roses. The bridesmaids were the Misses Pat Wayman (Surfleet), Ann Fellows (Kings Norton and Exeter), Judith Corby (Sevenoaks), Amanda Woolley (Bushey Heath) and Jennifer Freeman (Lincoln), who all wore green taffeta brocade dresses and carried white prayer books. The best man was Mr. Colin Reeves, a fellow member with the bridegroom of the York Minster band.

A reception, attended by some 90 guests, including a number of well-known ringers, was held at the Royal Victoria and Bull Hotel, Dartford.

Before and after the service the bells were rung by Messrs. H. E. Audsley, W. E. Bond, P. A. Corby (Jean's godfather), F. J. Cullum, J. Freeman, T. J. Lock and C. W. Woolley, all of whom have known Jean 'since she was so-high,' and Mr. V. Bottomley, a friend of Jim's.

Both bride and bridegroom have recently been living in Exeter, where they rang at Heavitree and at the Cathedral, also taking part in a number of peals in the area.

During the evening a peal of Cambridge Major was rung at St. John-the-Baptist's, Eriih, and Cumberlands assembled at Lincoln rang a peal of Bristol Surprise Major. An earlier attempt at St. Mary Magdalene's, Holloway, was unfortunately unsuccessful, as was one for a quarter peal at Withyham. Other ringing included quarters on the following Monday at St. Clement Danes by some of the 'first Sunday' band, of which Jean was for several years a member, and at Sidcup by six of the Crayford band.

After a honeymoon spent touring Jean and Jim will be living at Tattershall, Lincoln, when Jim takes up a teaching appointment at nearby Coningsby.

### HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

A successful quarterly meeting of the Northern District was held at Knebworth on July 4th. Ringing in methods to suit all began soon after 3 o'clock, until the Rev. P. Maddox, from Codicote, conducted the service. There had been difficulties in arranging tea, for which apologies were made, so some enjoyed a picnic meal.

Mr. W. Critchley was chairman for the business meeting, at which Mr. R. Trebilcock (Baldock) and Miss R. Spicer (Knebworth) were elected members, and Mr. B. Cousins (Saffron Walden) a non-resident life member. The District was invited to hold its next quarterly meeting at Codicote on October 3rd; the August meeting will not be held, but we hope to visit Graveley for the evening meeting in September. There was some discussion on the topics of ringing courses and district boundaries. Members were asked for their views on the contents of the annual report. The members stood in silence in memory of the late L. Fidler, who had one time been Northern District secretary and also president of the Association.

Ringing continued until 8.30 with many visitors. J.S.

Mr. E. P. Inskio, of Bromham, Beds, writes that he is very pleased with the new plan for peals. He has taken 'The Ringing World' since No. 1 and has not missed a copy.



MR. J. A. D. WOOLFORD—MISS J. F. BARNETT.

### WEDDING OF MISS JANET S. BAILEY

The ringers of St. Mary's, Sunbury-on-Thames, rang their bells on July 18th in honour of Miss Janet Sylvia Bailey (a member of the band) who was married there that day to Mr. William Charles (Joe) Hopper, of Putney. The Vicar, Rev. David Savill, officiated at the fully choral service. In the beautifully decorated church each pew had been bedecked with flowers and the base of the tower with 'trees' of carnations by the Altar Flower Guild, assisted by a friend of the bride skilled in the art of floral display.

A full length dress of nylon organza with bouffant veil was worn by the bride, whose bouquet was of green orchids with stephanotis. She was given away by her uncle and attended by her sister and the bridegroom's niece.

Janet was one of a group of Sunbury learner-ringers taught change-ringing by Tony Price, of Feltham, about 15 years ago. Her progress was rapid and in a short space of time she had entered the peal-ringing field with a high standard. Surprise Major, Royal and Maximus, and Cinques came easily to her. She was also a member of the Roving Ringers and toured with them. A soprano singer, she has taken the leading parts in oratorios with several local choral societies and with the Parish Church choir which she joined when a schoolgirl. The bridegroom, who is an engineer with the B.P. Research Centre at Sunbury, does not ring but is a frequent visitor to the belfry and well-known to the ringers.

The reception was at the Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court, and the honeymoon in Corsica. D.B.

### Grantley Hall Course

The next Grantley Hall Ringing course will be held from September 25th to September 27th with Messrs. Frederick Sharpe, Nolan Golden and Norman Chaddock as lecturers. A talk on the Washington visit illustrated by coloured slides and recordings of the bells will be given by Mr. Chaddock.

Further details later. Applications to The Warden, Grantley Hall, near Ripon, Yorkshire.

## Centenary of a Leeds Parish

The peal recorded in our columns at St. Mary's, Hunslet, Parish Church (Leeds) to commemorate the centenary of the church was a send off to the Anniversary Week which commenced on July 12th. Records of the installation of this ring of eight bells in the parochial Church Council minutes are practically non-existent.

The report in the minutes on the recast bells in 1939 by John Taylor and Co. state that they were cast by John Warner and Sons, 1863. A peal record book, in beautiful copperplate writing exists, which gives the first peal in this tower. Oxford Treble Bob Major, in 1871. In all 16 peals were rung up to 1922. J. W. Snowden, founder of the Yorkshire Association, conducted three peals in 1876 and 1878; as far as I can ascertain only 4 have been rung since. Amongst the past incumbents who attended this anniversary was the Rt. Rev. E. M. Gresford Jones, now Bishop of St. Albans, who was the vicar from 1939 and through the last war years.

This church with spire is in a district in the suburbs of the city of Leeds: the district is older than the city itself, and is set amidst engineering works and industry where such firms as Hunslet Engine Co. and Towlers Tractors produce diesel engines and tractors for many countries of the world today.

One wonders about the future of this church and parish as the population is fast disappearing under the steam roller of Leeds Corporation slum clearance programme? But one closely connected cannot help but have affection for this church which, despite an occasional

broken window and its blackened stonework, stands gaunt and defiant, its bells ringing out God's message far and wide. A.C.

## OBITUARY

### MR. FREDERICK W. ROGERS

#### An Appreciation

Mr. E. A. Barnett writes:—

I was glad to read the tribute paid by Mr. George Pullinger to Fred Rogers at the annual meeting of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild. It seemed wrong that the passing of such a ringer should have gone almost unnoticed.

I first met Mr. Rogers in the early 1930's. For several years he and his great friend, Alf Greenwood, spent a week or so peal ringing in this area, and Crayford, which in those days was something of a Mecca for peal ringers, frequently figured in the list. My grandfather, who was no mean judge, once described Fred to me as 'a perfect striker', a distinction he accorded, in my hearing at least, to one other ringer only, Mr. Reuben Sanders. I also recall visits around that time to St. Mary's, Portsea, during family holidays in the area, and being smuggled afterwards into 'The Salvation', having fortunately the height, if not the years, to carry it off.

Among Fred's numerous ringing distinctions was that he rang more than fifty peals at St. Peter's, Brighton, although living many miles away. One memorable tour in which he took part was in South Wales in 1932 along with a number of the finest ringers of the day—Keith Hart and Oliver Sippetts, Charles W. Roberts and Wilfred Williams among them. It is rather sad that of the eleven whose photograph appeared in 'The Ringing World' afterwards, five are dead and only Don Clift and Wilfred Williams are now active ringers. Fred served the cause of ringing in many ways and his passing is a great loss.

### MISS CHRISTINE GOLDEN

The ashes of the late Miss Christine Golden were interred in the quiet setting of the church of St. Mary, Northrepps, the birthplace of her father, Mr. F. N. Golden.

Canon A. G. G. Thurlow officiated, and after the interment 720 Bob Minor was rung with the bells half-muffled by Mrs. G. Sayer 1, Mr. G. Sayer 2, Chris Sayer 3, Canon A. G. G. Thurlow 4, Mr. F. N. Golden (cond.) 5, Mr. C. Bird 6.



# WRATTEN'S WRINGERS, 1964

**S**ATURDAY, July 4th, dawned bright as ringers from Swindon, Bristol, Southampton and East Anelia made their way to Colwall, in Herefordshire, for the start of the second annual peal tour of 'Wratten's Wringers'. The first peal attempt of the week was delayed to enable a number of the ropes to be replaced and, more importantly, to allow the tenor man to satisfy himself that England were going to lose the third Test. These preliminaries over, the band settled down to ring a good peal of Stratford Surprise, the first in the method for all. By eight o'clock the week's headquarters, the Great Western Hotel, Cheltenham, had been reached, and three more members of the party collected.

An early start was made on Sunday by those staying at the Wratten establishment, who rang at Charlton Kings (8. 17 cwt.), before joining the local band and the rest of the party for ringing at St. Mary's, Cheltenham, with Cambridge Royal, Stedman Cinques and Little Bob Maximus. Sufficient time remained before lunch for the Bristol contingent to beat The Rest 9-8 at football.

When we arrived at Hanbury (8. 12 cwt.) for the afternoon peal there was no sign of Brian Bladon, the last 'full-timer' of the party, and Chris Kippin was persuaded to take his place. The conductor having learnt a new composition of Aldenham, a good peal was duly rung. Outside Brian was waiting for us, having repaired the mechanical trouble to his car, and shortly afterwards the non-pealers returned from ringing on the ten at Kings Norton.

## NO 'MONDAY MORNING FEELING

There was no sign of the 'Monday morning feeling' about the attempt for Cambridge Minor at Ripple, Worcs. (6. 13 cwt.), but unfortunately a broken rope put paid to it after 1½ hours' ringing. Meanwhile the rest of the party were more fortunate with a first-class long length (5,216) of Lincolnshire at Malvern Link (16½ cwt.). Claines (10. 14 cwt.) was the afternoon tower, and here two-spliced Surprise Royal was rushed round in 24 hours—rather too fast for these easy-going bells, and it was suspected that the cricketer tenor-man was impatient to know the outcome of the Test match.

One car-load managed to 'grab' Strensham (6. 11 cwt.) on their way back to Cheltenham afterwards. Once back at headquarters, it soon became apparent that Cheltenham's famous Promenade had been taken over by teenagers (quite legally, as part of Cheltenham's Music Festival), and after tea various members of the party joined the throng. The sight of six of them standing in a circle on a zebra-crossing and solemnly going through the motions of ringing a touch of Minor on tower-bells caused considerable interest, and it is expected that the Twist may soon be replaced by another 'dance' that may seem rather familiar to those who know something of ringing!

Tuesday morning's programme called for Minor at Great Barrington (8 cwt.) and Superlative at Kingham (8. 12 cwt.), but again the Minor didn't go, this time because of a shift. Once more the eight-bell peal was luckier. After the fast peal here, Pudsey was rung in what seemed a very stately pace at Kirtlington (8. 16½ cwt.) in the afternoon while the non-ringers disappeared to the cinema in Oxford.

With haze hanging round the Malvern Hills the next morning eight made their way to Ross-on-Wye (8. 25 cwt.) for a peal of Yorkshire. Some of the bells have a tendency to drop here, and a fair amount of hard work was called for. After two hours a couple of men appeared in the belfry and, to the conductor's consternation, made their way towards the bells. Fortunately they had only

come to wind the clock, and the peal was concluded without further incident. Meanwhile six more had gone to Aston Ingham (6. 5½ cwt.) for what turned out to be the only successful attempt for Minor during the week. A good knowledge of Minor splicing enabled thirteen methods to be rung, rather to the surprise of the Bristol member of the band, who was sure he knew no more than seven or eight methods altogether!

The afternoon attempt was on the fine eight at Usk, Monmouthshire (14½ cwt.), but unfortunately 7-Spliced was lost through a shift after 2½ hours with only one more part to go. Spirits were soon revived on returning to Cheltenham, where the non-drivers showed that there was 'nothing to it,' albeit only in dodgery (surely a misnomer!) at the fair-ground.

## CAMBRIDGE AS AN ALARM CLOCK

Thursday morning started for Chris Kippin with Cambridge 'in hand' over his bed, as effective as any alarm clock. Later, Bisley (8. 17 cwt.) proved a surprising handful, and at the end of the peal of Rutland the refreshments provided at the Rectory were extremely welcome. After well over two hours' ringing at Tetbury (8. 17 cwt.) the conductor set up an attempt for Whitminster, when it became clear that something was wrong. The 'something' turned out to be the composition, which would have been one of the most musical yet rung, having the sixth 16 courses in 6ths!

Two ringers were found to be missing upon descending from the tower. They returned in the early hours of Friday morning from, of all places, Birmingham, where they'd scored a 'bonus' peal of Royal at the Cathedral.

Two good peals were rung in the Vale of Evesham on Friday—four-spliced at Bretforton (8. 9 cwt.) in the morning, and Whitminster at Hinton-on-the-Green (8. 10 cwt.) in the afternoon, making up for the previous day's failure. The non-ringers took to golf for the afternoon, with varying degrees of success. In the evening the usual celebration was held at an unsuspecting inn, the highlight being Chris Kippin struggling to master an antiquated accordion. By the end of the evening he had become quite adept and we were able to fulfil musical requests from the public bar to everyone's satisfaction.

Alas, the end was now in sight and the pace telling. On Saturday morning a tenors-parted composition of Cambridge Major was lost at Iedbury (8. 22 cwt.) after an hour because of a shift, and in the afternoon Minor in the method at Tisbury (6. 12 cwt.) didn't last beyond the first extent. Fortunately the afternoon's eight-bell band managed to ring a peal of Ashted at Watermoor, Cirencester (8. 19½ cwt.), so we could still hold up our heads.

Our appreciation and thanks are due to Cyril and Margery for the excellent arrangements and accommodation during the week, and also to all the incumbents and ringers who made the week possible and us all so welcome. It only remains to say: 'Roll on next year!'

G.E.T.

## MERSHAM CHURCH BELLS

The bells, 5 by Joseph Hatch c. 1630 and 3 by Mears 1880-2 are in urgent need of repair, a new frame and fittings are required, and if possible a new ringing floor, and new floor under bells. This is not all: the south wall of the tower needs extensive repairs.

Mersham is a small parish and although a good sum has been raised, there is still a lot more to get.

Will anyone who has rung these or may like to when the job is finished care to send a donation to the Rev. C. F. Pollard, Mersham Rectory, Ashford, Kent.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

### Ashford District

About twenty visitors were present for the service and tea at Cheriton on July 18th. Unfortunately the meeting coincided with the Hythe and Lympne outings, and these towers sent their apologies, as did Mr. B. Marks of Brabourne.

The service was conducted by the Rector, (the Rev. C. Munt), Mr. W. Chandler, choir-master and hon. secretary of the Cheriton ringers, was at the organ, and the choir was in attendance. The Rector, who is himself a change-ringer, gave an interesting address. Tea was afterwards enjoyed at the Church School, served by the ladies of the Cheriton ringers.

At the business meeting it was reported that work was to start on rehanging the bells at Pluckley about the middle of August. Ringing at Brabourne has finally had to stop until a major restoration can be undertaken. A new frame is needed, which, it is hoped, will make provision for eight bells. This thinly populated parish has already raised £4,000 for the restoration of the church, and is now faced with this further heavy expense of £2,000. Brabourne has eight enthusiastic learners, recruited by Mr. Marks (who is also organising the Bells Appeal Fund). In the meantime they are continuing to practise at Stowting. They rang every Sunday until the ban was imposed. The historic bells of Mersham will probably be taken to the foundry at the end of the year. The report on the tower at Ashford has been received, but it is not yet clear whether or not the ring will be augmented to ten.

Eight new members, three adults and five juniors, were elected to the Association. Mr. Alan Berry, the Ringing Master, voiced the thanks of the visitors to the Rector, to the organist and the choir, and to Mr. A. Eastmoad, captain of Cheriton ringers, and his helpers for making all the arrangements.

Some useful practice continued for about an hour on the light eight. The old tower, splendidly situated, and with its Saxon window and doorway, has been much improved by its new ringing floor. Ringing continued until about 9 o'clock at St. Nicholas', Newington, where the ringers were joined by visitors from Chelsfield, Greenwich and South Wales.

C.T.H.

## HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

The annual general meeting of the Hereford Diocesan Guild was held at Clifford, Herefordshire, on Whit-Monday, and during the day ringing took place at towers in the Clifford District.

Over 120 members and visitors were present at the service in St. Mary's Church which was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. C. J. Hayes). Tea was served in the Church Hall, and was followed by the annual meeting.

Mr. H. G. Thomas, of Bridgnorth, was elected Master to succeed Mr. A. T. Wingate, whose term of office had expired. All other officers were re-elected. In recognition of services rendered to the Guild, and in appreciation of the services that he still performs, particularly in regard to week-end courses of instruction, Mr. W. F. Moreton was made a vice-president.

Proposals made by the Rules Revision Committee were adopted and it was decided that the revised rules should operate from January 1st, 1965. A striking competition was inaugurated.

The 1965 annual general meeting will be held at Clun.

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## A LAYMAN ON A BELLRINGERS' OUTING

'If you are not doing anything on June 27th, care to come on the ringers' outing?' My son casually put the question across the table one morning some months ago. 'And do you think you could do a piece for "The Ringing World"?' you know, the layman's point of view? I thought for a moment what I would have in common with the number of lusty (vigorous and healthy connotation) young lads and lasses who make up the band at St. Mary's of Beddington. Ale! It has been my experience that wherever there is a church so there would be a pub. I have often wondered which was there first, a church or a pub. While the ringers sampled the bells, I could sample the local brews — an arrangement which should bring pleasure to all concerned.

Although not being a ringer I am not entirely ignorant of the profession. I know that Grand-sire is pronounced to sound like Grantser, that a touch is not an attempt to borrow half-a-crown, that a spliced double is not a mixture of spirits, that a canon, besides being a Church dignitary, is also a part of a bell and that if one wishes to upset a ringer call him a campanologist.

And so on June 27th, 35 ringers and non-ringers set out for the Thames Valley. It was such a day which old and middle-aged talk about nostalgically when discussing their youth. Warm, clear-skied, peaceful, apart from the hundreds of maniacs hurtling along the roads at breakneck speed. Past Kempton Park, of unhappy memory (never did any good there), we left the main roads and twisted and turned through the lovely quiet lanes of Berkshire, lanes green and hedges high, through gaps in which one could see the rolling, wooded hills stretching towards the horizon. Past the White Hart at Sonning, the sight of which made me lick my lips—this coach-riding was thirsty work —to Shiplake, the square tower peeping over the tree-tops, which at that time were wreathed with mist.

The coach stopped outside the Plowden Arms (not yet open). Alighting, we crossed the quiet country road, along a tree-tunnelled lane, where diminutive, triangular flags were being draped in preparation for the afternoon's fete, past a board which informed us that Tennyson was married at the church and that the church was at least 12th century, to a spot where time appeared to have stood still for at least a couple of hundred years. My brochure informed me that the tower has 8 bells (9 cwt. tenor), but for me the joy of the church was a really beautiful memorial in the form of a clock set on the west wall of the building, facing the pulpit.

Coming out of the church I happened to glance over the hedge and thought for the moment the standing figure was of a lady wearing one of the new topless dresses. Being both short-sighted and embarrassed I nudged my companion, who reassured me it was a piece of classical statuary in a garden. I immediately repaired to the Plowden Arms for a little something to assist my recovery from what had been quite a shock. Sitting outside the bar on a wooden bench, my back against the wall, a pint of good ale, drawn from the wood, in my fist, the sun blazing down and the sweet sound of the bells one felt that the England of our ancestors had not entirely vanished in the fumes of diesel, petrol and burning rubber and the cacophony of juke boxes and portable wireless sets.

And so to Dorchester. Topping a hill, across the green flat fields one saw again a square, stone tower topped by a gaily waving crossed flag of St. George. Sweeping round the bend in the road at the entrance to Dorchester, passing on the right the ancient-looking Fleur de

Lys, a coaching inn, and stopping outside another charming white-faced hostelry, the White Hart, we alighted and walked back over the pavement of rounded stones—in modern thin shoes, most uncomfortable to traverse. Through a most imposing entrance to the church, with the museum on the left, one enters the grand old Abbey, as it once was. For me at least it was all rather spoilt because of the bustle of preparing the church for a concert. I was invited to see the ringing room, and large and important it was. Continuing up the narrow, twisting, steep stone stairs (with visions of becoming jammed and spending the rest of my life stuck on the stairs) I rather recklessly entered the bell chamber. I now know just how the poor unfortunate in Dorothy Sayers' 'The Nine Tailors' must have suffered. There they were—a nest of bells, brazen throated and iron tongued—the large (16 cwt.) bossman in the middle, surrounded by his ever-decreasing satellites, turning over and over, roaring and bellowing their message over the surrounding countryside. To assist my eardrums to recover, I adjourned to the hotel across the road to imbibe in the quiet of the bar beer from a pewter pot. Whether it was the bells or the warmth of the day the ale tasted superb.

After the excellent lunch, on 20 miles to Bampton (8 bells, with a 25 cwt. tenor). With its extraordinarily high needle-like spire, the church set on a rising mound appeared not only a fortress against evil but against marauding bands of raiders of long ago. The stone-walled houses with their slate roofs flanking the wide roads seemed to have stood there for ever. Where the inhabitants were I do not know, but the place appeared to be deserted, even the roads were so empty that I could stand in the middle of the main road and take photographs without having to make frantic leaps sideways to avoid traffic—there just wasn't any. If anyone is seeking employment, not particularly highly paid but obviously leisurely. Bampton is seeking a clerk to the council—£60 p.a., plus a further £20 for looking after the Graves Register.

On a further 15 miles to ancient Abingdon. Another tall spired church set beside the river (10 bells this time, with a 20 cwt. tenor). To describe adequately the treasures of Abingdon Church would take up much more space than I am likely to be allotted—the old chained Bible, a rare Breeches Bible (I know of another at Rye), the velvet covered pews for the Mayor and other civic dignitaries. A pause beside the river—to see a large carp flirting with the bait of an outraged angler and the excitement when he thought he had a 'good 'un' only to find he had hooked into a large sunken tree... Tea in the High Street and on another 20 miles to Reading (8 bells and a 25½ cwt. tenor). The church being locked I was forced to make a tour of some of the local inns, and I can only hope that the church was more impressive than Reading's pubs. The paper seller outside the church was not. I fear, either a ringer or a lover of bells. After having difficulty in hearing which paper I required and giving me the correct change from a sixpence he grunted something about 'bloody row every Saturday night,' and looked as if I were responsible.

And so along the darkening roads, with one further stop to permit the thirsty ringers to remove some of the dust of Reading Church from their throats, we made our way back to Beddington, tired but happy and satisfied ringers, and at least one not tired but very happy, satisfied non-ringer.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### A Gentleman Ringer

Dear Sir,—Mr. Wratten's article recalls several names which were well-known to the Shepherd family of Exeter in the early years of the Devon Guild, and Mr. G. H. Phillott was no stranger to the county. At 39 he was a member of the Central Council (1891) and the names of Troyte, Ellacombe, Field, Hounslow and Rev. F. E. Robinson were also associated with change ringing in Devon.

Regarding Ellacombe's chiming apparatus I prefer to remember him best for his wonderful work as a West Country historian.

Canon Cattle is a new name to me, but it is news that he was largely responsible for Worcester Cathedral having a ring of 12, and also procuring a 62 cwt. tenor for St. Paul's Cathedral. Taylors cast a peal of 13 for Worcester in 1876 and the ring was designed by Lord Grimthorpe, who had a wide influence for big bells, including St. Paul's Cathedral in 1878. The tenor is inscribed 'Presented by The Corporation of the City of London'; in fact all the 12 were presentations or gifts.—Yours sincerely,

WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

Addlestone, Surrey.

### 'Our Ringing World'

Dear Sir.—Yours and mine; now at its peak; a lovely set-up; something for everybody from cover to cover; and no complaints lately.

Then the postal upset, but still our journal arrived, thanks to the thought of the Editor and staff.

Thank you for the thought not to let us down, and here is a little practical appreciation from

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Note.—Canon C. Carew Cox has also sent us a donation and has expressed the hope that others might be induced to help. Extra postage has now reached £60.—Ed.

### Jarrom Surprise Minor

Dear Sir, — Re peal of Jarrom Surprise Minor (page 503 of 'The Ringing World', July 24th, 1964).

I would be very grateful if the seven extents of the above method could be published, please.—Yours sincerely, A. BISHOP.  
London, S.W.

### Peals withdrawn

Dear Sir,—I wish to withdraw the following peals conducted by myself, the composition of which is false, and offer my sincere apologies to all who took part.

The peal is 5,008 Plain Bob Major, attributed to the late Mr. G. Hughes, of Wednesbury, and this was rung at: Broseley (Hereford Guild), June 24th, 1961; Eardisland (Staffs. Society), November 26th, 1962; and Brewood (Staffs. Society), October 5th, 1963.

The figures were given to me with the inscription: 'This is an excellent peal and contains some good music, I have called it several times.' I regret to say I have done the same.—Yours faithfully,

BARNABAS C. KEY.

Gnosall, Stafford.

The thanks of all who went on the outing for the interesting route and other arrangements he made are due to the organiser and Master of the tower, Stewart Kimber

F. W.

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## HANDBELL ARCH AT RAVING RINGERS' WEDDING

On July 4th (Independence Day) Mr. Anthony L. Mann and Miss Heather Oakley were married at St. John's Church, Aldenham, Herts. In the morning a peal of Plain Bob Major was rung at Bushey by fellow members of the Society of Raving Ringers.

The bride wore a full-length dress of white brocade and carried a bouquet of pink roses.

After the ceremony, while the couple were being photographed beneath an archway of handbells, a cascade of rose petals descended on them from the tower.

The reception was held in the Memorial Hall, Letchmore Heath. The couple afterwards left for Northern Ireland, where Tony has been posted by the Air Ministry Police.

In the evening the Ravers joined three members of the local band in a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples at Aldenham. H. O.



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**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On July 19th. 1,320 Doubles (five methods): D. Barker 1, J. Dowse 2, R. Blackshaw (cond.) 3, J. Heaps 4, M. W. Harrison 5. For Evenson.

### HANDBELL RECITAL AT CATHEDRAL

The Launton Handbell Ringers gave a recital to the Friends of Hereford Cathedral on July 4th in the nave of the Cathedral. The music included items by classical and modern composers, mediæval, foreign and traditional English carols.

Seventy-six handbells were used in the recital. They form part of the collection of 207 bells which Mr. F. Sharpe has acquired in an effort to include examples of the work of all known English bellfounders from the time of Charles II until the present day. All the bells have been tuned and fitted with leatherwork by him and are in first-class order. Examples of the work of seven founders are required to complete the collection.

The ringers were first entertained to lunch by the Dean of Hereford (the Very Rev. R. P. Price) and afterwards attended Festal Evenson. Mr. Frederick Sharpe then gave a lecture and the company of over 500 were present at tea in the Bishop's palace gardens. The recital followed.

### YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Western District was held at Collingham on June 20th.

The business meeting was held in the church. This probably accounted for the subdued behaviour of those present and the speed at which the business was conducted. Before the election of officers took place it was learned with regret that Mr. T. W. Strangeway wished to resign from the General Committee. The vice-president, Mr. W. Barton, spoke warmly of the many years' active and faithful service he had given to the Association.

### COWBRIDGE SCHOOL RINGERS AT WHITECHAPEL


(Condensed from report in the school's weekly magazine, 'The Lion,' dated July 11th.)

On July 7th Mr. I. Davies took ten of the school's bellringers on a trip to London to visit the famous bell foundry of Mears and Stainbank at Whitechapel. At 8.30 we all piled into Mr. D.'s van and commenced our journey to Cardiff, where we arrived at the station safely.

On the journey in the train the back six of our 12 handbells appeared and a course of Plain Bob Minor ensued. While standing in the corridor Mr. D. heard two ladies' remarks about our ringing. One said: 'Doesn't that sound lovely!' while the other said: 'Coo! Get away from this lot!' and proceeded to do so. During a course of Cambridge 'Evs' let out a cry of 'Hi! I'm trying to get a snap at lead!' to which remark Gareth Jones replied: 'You haven't got a chance.' Which was the truth.

After a satisfying lunch we made our way to Whitechapel. At 2.15 we entered the foundry and a very enjoyable tour followed. We saw most of the aspects of bell founding except the bell being actually cast. We went to the handbell shop and saw the way Mears finish their handbells. 'Ken' then played 'Hyfrydol,' an old Welsh tune, on the back six of 16 bells for Cape Town Cathedral, to the delight and amazement of our guide.

We returned to the station after visiting St. Paul's, and caught the 7 p.m. train to Cardiff. After fish and chips at Canton we crept into school at about 11.15 thus ending an enjoyable day. C.R.

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## OUTINGS LUTON, BEDS

The annual outing of the Luton Parish Church ringers took place on July 4th, when they visited Lichfield, Walsall, Wolverhampton and Redditch.

After a stop for coffee en route, Lichfield Cathedral was reached in good time, and the fine ring of ten much enjoyed, as were the architectural features of this venerable pile.

An excellent lunch was followed by the short run to Walsall where an enjoyable hour was spent on the easy-going twelve at St. Matthew's. The noble Parish Church of St. Peter, Wolverhampton, has a fine ring of twelve, and a very pleasant hour was spent here.—What a pity that, through lack of ringers, these bells are seldom heard! One hopes that soon those residents of Wolverhampton who possess ringing potential will wander into the belfry!

Approaching Redditch the scenery became very attractive, though the roads became narrower and narrower, retarding our progress, but allowing more time to admire the view! After a pull on the light eight at St. Stephen's, full justice was done to a most adequate tea, and the homeward journey, through Stratford-on-Avon and Banbury was quite delightful, on this pleasant summer evening.

It was a great privilege, and one that was much appreciated, to ring at all these interesting places, and the grateful thanks of all are accorded to the Dean of Lichfield and the incumbents of Walsall, Wolverhampton and Redditch, and to the local ringers who were so kind. May I say, 'So nice to meet you!' from all of us.

A. E. R.

## BARNSELY DISTRICT SOCIETY

Barnsley and District Society made a 7 a.m. start for their annual outing on July 25th so as to reach St. Andrew's, Kildwick by 9.30. A memory of this eight-bell tower is the gravestone in the churchyard representing an organ. At Skipton we had the privilege of ringing for a wedding, and some of it was very delightful. Julia will remember Skipton, not only for the lunch at the Midland Hotel, but where she lost the sole of her shoe! Providentially, one of the ladies had brought along two pairs and all was well.

A hymn tune was being rung by a ringer as we climbed the steps of St. Andrew's Church, Gargrave (8). Our third St. Andrew's tower of the day was Aysgarth (6), where we had good ringing and visited the falls. High tea was waiting for us at the Blue Lion, Witton, and afterwards we found the six bells at St. John's Church a little tricky. Opportunity was taken by some of the party to see Jervaulx Abbey.

Happy memories remain of this well-organised outing by Mr. Christopher Moxon, and of the skilful driving of Mr. Eric Stainrod. Incumbents and those who met us are thanked.

J. W. B.

## EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX

Leaving Eastbourne on the traditional second Saturday in July, St. Mary's ringers, with some friends and neighbours, set out for a quick tour of Kent. The coach was soon weaving along the smugglers' roads to Lydd, and on this excellent octave the best performances of the day took place—Double Norwich and Grandsire Triples. From Lydd we counted the Martello towers to Folkestone, where a heavier eight with newish ropes demanded more attention, and we added Kent and Stedman to our repertoire.

After lunch at Ramsgate, the unorthodox entrance to St. Laurence's tower caused some comment. Cambridge and Grandsire Caters came round, but Little and Plain Bob Spliced failed before moving on to Faversham. Here St. Clement's Major and Bob Major were included.

The final tower was Marden, where the tiring band rang more Grandsire, Plain Bob and Double Norwich. On the way home we fought paper battles, stole Jane's shoes, named a new method for three bells Spong Sorrow—and decided NOT to submit it for publication. The day's achievements also included Paul's first and second touches of Bob Major, and Harold's discovery that a certain bell was very deep set, due to the slider being in the next pit.

H.R.

# A COLLECTION OF DOUBLES METHODS

Compiled by GEOFFREY K. DODD and ROY H. JONES

(Continued from page 515)

## PART D

This section contains methods, named and unnamed which may be incorrect in some way, e.g.:

The 'composition' may have another name. A Bob or a Single may be incorrect for the method which has a certain name.

A Bob or Single is missing.

As it is written, may be false, e.g.: St. Teilo and Winforton\*. Any information regarding these would be gratefully received.

We have insufficient information to do more than list them.

It is hoped to add to this collection variations of St. Osmund, St. Vedast, St. Alpage, Shipway's, Westminster, Blackburn, Union, New Bob, etc., in due course.

\*St. Teilo—Plain Bob—Plain Bob—Grandsire became St. Agnes on investigation. As it stands, is false. Winforton—Rev. Canterbury—Plain Bob—Grandsire became Inkpen on investigation.

Method	Plain Course	Bob	Single	Notes
St. Petrox	St. Simon	Old Hudibras	London Ex.	S-B-S-P.
Cambridge	St. Simon	Ready Money	Thurly Bob	
St. Wilfrid	St. Simon	Rev. Canterbury	Grandsire S.	S-B-S-P.
St. Catherine	St. Simon	Plain Bob	Old Doubles S.	
St. Katharine	St. Simon	Rev. Canterbury	All Saints P.L.	
Unnamed	St. Simon	Plain Bob	Grandsire Ex.	
St. Dionysius	St. Simon	Rev. Canterbury	Old Doubles S.	
Marsworth	St. Simon	Plain Bob	Grandsire S.	
Claydon	St. Simon	Plain Bob	All Saints P.L.	
Unnamed	St. Simon	Rev. Canterbury	Grandsire Ex.	
Westminster	St. Martin	Old Hudibras	London Ex.	S-B-S-P.
Oldham	St. Martin	Ready Money	Thurly Bob	S-B-S-P.
St. Oswald	St. Martin	Rev. Canterbury	Grandsire	
Unnamed	St. Martin	Plain Bob	Grandsire Ex.	
St. Margaret	St. Martin	Rev. Canterbury	All Saints P.L.	
Unnamed	St. Martin	Plain Bob	Old Doubles S.	
Unnamed	St. Martin	Rev. Canterbury	Old Doubles S.	
(Dove ?)				
Kingswinford	St. Martin	Plain Bob	All Saints P.L.	
Mallory	St. Martin	Plain Bob	Grandsire S.	
Unnamed	St. Martin	Rev. Canterbury	Grandsire Ex.	
Unnamed	St. Nicholas	Old Hudibras	London Ex.	
Unnamed	St. Nicholas	Ready Money	Thurly Bob	
Lonsdale	St. Nicholas	Rev. Canterbury	Grandsire S.	
Baldon (?)	St. Nicholas	Plain Bob	Old Doubles S.	
Hinton	St. Nicholas	Rev. Canterbury	All Saints P.L.	
Durnford	St. Nicholas	Plain Bob	Grandsire Ex.	
Coombe	St. Nicholas	Rev. Canterbury	Old Doubles S.	
Unnamed	St. Nicholas	Plain Bob	All Saints P.L.	
Unnamed	St. Nicholas	Plain Bob	Grandsire S.	
Unnamed	St. Nicholas	Rev. Canterbury	Grandsire Ex.	
Winchendon	Winchendon	Old Hudibras	London Ex.	
Unnamed	Winchendon	Ready Money	Thurly Bob	
Unnamed	Winchendon	Rev. Canterbury	Grandsire S.	
Unnamed	Winchendon	Plain Bob	Old Doubles S.	
Unnamed	Winchendon	Rev. Canterbury	All Saints P.L.	
Unnamed	Winchendon	Plain Bob	Grandsire Ex.	
St. Cuthbert	Winchendon	Rev. Canterbury	Old Doubles S.	
St. Editha	Winchendon	Plain Bob	Grandsire S.	
St. Egwin	Winchendon	Plain Bob	All Saints P.L.	
Unnamed	Winchendon	Rev. Canterbury	Grandsire Ex.	
Freeland	Antelope	Grandsire	Grandsire	
Wheatley	New Antelope	Grandsire	Grandsire	
Unnamed	Plain Bob	Old Hudibras	London Ex.	S-B-S-P.
Unnamed	Plain Bob	Ready Money	Thurly Bob	S-B-S-P.
Unnamed	Rev. Canterbury	Old Hudibras	London Ex.	S-B-S-P.
Unnamed	Rev. Canterbury	Ready Money	Thurly Bob	S-B-S-P.
Unnamed	All Saints	Thurly		
Lily	Plain Bob	Grandsire with 5th, 4th, 5th	Grandsire	
St. Chad	Plain Bob	Grandsire with 5th, 4th, 5th	Grandsire Ex.	
Rose	Rev. Canterbury	As for above	Not known	
Oxford	Grandsire Bobs	P.L. Rev. Cant.	Grandsire	
Stanton	Grandsire Bobs	P.L. Plain Bob	Grandsire Ex.	
Beckley	Grandsire Bobs	P.L. Rev. Cant.	Grandsire S.	
Unnamed	St. Remigius	Plain Bob	All Saints P.L.	
Unnamed	St. Osmund	Plain Bob	All Saints P.L.	
Pistol	Rev. Canterbury	Blunderbus	Grandsire	
Ascension	Plain Bob	Own		
Unnamed	St. Simon	Antelope S.	Half-leads of Original	
Unnamed	St. Martin	Antelope S.	Half-leads of Original	
Unnamed	St. Nicholas	Antelope S.	Half-leads of Original	
Unnamed	Winchendon	Antelope S.	Half-leads of Original	
Charlton	Plain Bob	Plain Bob	P.L. Rev. Cant.	
Warkton	Rev. Canterbury	Rev. Canterbury	P.L. Plain Bob	
Morning Star	St. Simon	Plain Bob	P.L. Rev. Cant.	
Mars	St. Nicholas	Plain Bob	P.L. Rev. Cant.	
Jupiter	St. Martin	Plain Bob	P.L. Rev. Cant.	
Venus	Winchendon	Plain Bob	P.L. Rev. Cant.	
Evening Star	S. Simon	Rev. Canterbury	P.L. Plain Bob	
Pluto	St. Nicholas	Rev. Canterbury	P.L. Plain Bob	
Saturn	St. Martin	Rev. Canterbury	P.L. Plain Bob	
Neptune	Winchendon	Rev. Canterbury	P.L. Plain Bob	

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**LITTLE ASTON, WARWICKSHIRE**

Celebrations were not only being held throughout America on July 4th. Little Aston, too, was aroused from slumber in the early hours of the morning as local ringers and friends piled languidly into the coach, which was waiting to take them on the annual outing—this year to the Wye Valley. Welcome additions to the party came from the Cannock and Lichfield bands..

The prospects of a day's good ringing and fine, sunny weather lay before us as we set out for the first of the seven churches, Ombersley. After a ring on the 16 cwt. six, we moved on to Ledbury and spent a most enjoyable hour ringing the very pleasant eight there to a variety of touches including a half course of Cambridge Major. Then, after a coffee break, there followed a long drive through delightful countryside to Symond's Yat, a beautiful corner of Herefordshire on a bend in the River Wye. An unexpected opportunity of having our packed lunches while 'cruising down the river' was seized without delay. The boatman, however, despite enthusiastic requests, disappointed some by refusing to shoot the 200 ft. long rapids—a drop of a mere eight feet.

During the afternoon ringing took place at Longhope Church and Norton, and from here we went into Tewkesbury for high tea. Afterwards we took the opportunity to look around the Abbey and admire its floral decorations.

On our homeward route we stopped at Dumbleton (a pleasant ring of six), where a touch of Six Spliced Surprise Minor was accomplished without undue difficulty. The last tower of the day contained the eight at Norton, Evesham, where, after touches of Stedman and Little Bob, a respectable course of Yorkshire completed the day's ringing.

Despite the earlier misgivings of our organiser, Kay Moore, all concerned agreed that it was a most successful outing. Thanks must be given to those who made the arrangements, and to the incumbents and ringers of the churches visited. M.C.S.

**OUTINGS****ALDRINGTON, SUSSEX**

With perfect weather on June 27th, we welcomed ringers and friends from several local towers on our annual outing. Arriving a little late at the first tower, we enjoyed our ring at St Mary's, Staines, and ate our refreshments. At Bray we admired the beautifully decorated church and splendid panoramic view from the top of the tower. Lunch was at Maidenhead followed by ringing at Twyford and then Wargrave, where a course of Cambridge Major was attempted; meanwhile several of our visitors became engrossed in looking for the tomb of Madame Tussaud, but were unsuccessful.

We found Henley preparing for the beginning of the Royal Regatta and enjoyed the tone of the bells. After a splendid tea at Bagshot we made our way to Pirbright; unfortunately we were late owing to flower purchasing! As we are used to 6 bell ringing the bells were not too bad and we managed a course of Kent Minor and touches of Stedman Doubles.

We wish to thank two of our honorary members, Pam and Diana Gough, from Guildford, for kindly inviting us to have refreshments in their garden. After this pleasant climax we arrived at Aldrington at 10.30 p.m. Our thanks go to the incumbents and the ladies of the band for organising the refreshments. S.G.R.

**LYMPNE OUTING**

Lympne bellringers made up a party of 27 for their annual outing on July 18th which included friends from Burmarsh and Foikestone and rang in seven towers in that delightful area to the east of Canterbury.

Ringling at the beautiful old churches of Bekesbourne and Sturry was followed by a picnic lunch on the banks of the Stour during which the company were entertained by handbell ringing by Folkestone's Richard Hough,

his sisters and friends who came drifting down the river in a boat.

Those charming villages (and churches), Wickhambreux and Littlebourne, were visited followed by the stately towers of Wingham and Ash where some excellent touches of Grandsire Triples and Kent Treble Bob Major were rung.

Finally to the seemingly remote and pleasant church at Goodnestone and so home.

At each tower except Ash where time pressed, touches in various methods were rung by the ladies in the party.

Thanks are due to the incumbents and ringers at the towers visited for their hospitality which helped to make the outing so enjoyable.

**ELSTOW, BEDS**

On June 27th the Elstow ringers, with friends from other Bedfordshire towers, spent a happy day in the Surrey area.

St. Margaret's, Uxbridge (an excellent eight), whetted our appetites for things to come, and it is surely an indication of true British fortitude to say that Stanwell failed to damp the enthusiasm of the party, though the bells here were generally vote-hm!—I forget what I was going to say!

After an excellent lunch we entered Surrey and the very fine six at Ottershaw were considered a ringer's dream—after the Vicar had been persuaded to leave his sylvan retreat and let us in.

Some enjoyable ringing took place at Chobham and Old Woking. A little difficulty was experienced in finding St. Mary's, Send, but the pleasure of a pull on the fine ring of six and the joy of lingering awhile in this charming and peaceful spot were well worth the effort. Horsell (another good six) was the conclusion of the day's ringing, which ranged from rounds to London Surprise, and the journey home was broken for the usual convivial half-hour.

Sincere thanks to our hosts in Middlesex and Surrey, and to our organiser, M'ss M. Pettitt. A. E. R.

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According to 'The Irish  
Bell News,' Derek Jones is  
taking a peal ringing band  
to Northern Ireland at the beginning of  
August; Robert Smith a band of long-lengthers  
to Dublin for a week-end's peal ringing at the  
end of September; the University of Wales  
Society visit Southern Ireland at the begin-  
ning of October.

The memorial tablet to Mr. Albert Walker,  
in St. Martin's ringing room, will be unveiled  
by Canon Bryan Green immediately prior to  
the 11 a.m. Matins, on Sunday, August 9th,  
ringing from 10 a.m.

The peal at Exhall-by-Coventry on July  
20th was arranged to enable the Rev. M. C.  
C. Melville and Mr. Arthur Rowley to ring  
a peal together there after a lapse of over  
30 years. It was at Exhall where Mr. Melville  
lived as a boy, and learnt to handle a bell.

On two consecutive Tuesdays at Lowdham,  
Notts, a well-known lady broke the stay on  
the same bell when she missed the sally dur-  
ing peal attempts. Unfortunately both attempts  
were well over half way. G.A.D. inquires  
if this is a record?

Mrs. Beatrice Morris writes fully endorsing  
the request for information concerning the  
proposed memorial window at St. Margaret's,  
Leicester, to the late Mr. Ernest Morris.  
'Fancy being dead 2 years and 4 months and  
nothing done—not even a memorial peal on  
April 28th—well only one.' She also deplores  
the indifferent service ringing on Sunday  
evenings (only three or four bells) and re-  
grets that with all the talent in Leicester  
recruits are not being taught at St. Margaret's.

The band who rang the peal at St. Neots,  
Hunts, on July 18th would like to associate  
John Gipson and Harold Peacock with it.  
They were both in a previous attempt on  
June 20th which came to an abrupt end  
when the 7th bearings completely dried up  
with about an hour to go. The conductor and  
the rest of the band also wish to thank 'Joe'  
Chamberlain and George Bonham for their  
hard work in cleaning and oiling the bear-  
ings, which made this attempt possible.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

In answer to Mr. W. L.  
C. (Bill) Barlow's query as  
to other members of the band  
taught by Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Fletcher in  
1930 at Enfield, Mr. George B. Collins of  
Colchester, writes as one of the band to say  
that he is still ringing, his name appearing  
intermittently in the peal columns. He has  
been in hospital for some months but expects  
to be active again soon. As a tailpiece he  
adds: 'Does 32 years to ring one's first 50  
peals qualify as a record for slowness?'

Another member of this band is Mrs.  
E. M. Bagworth (nee Greenall), who has never  
left off ringing and frequently participates at  
St. Clement Danes', St. Margaret's, Westmin-  
ster, and elsewhere as available.

The hospitality of the newly-inducted Vicar  
of Surfleet, the Rev. D. F. Button, and Mrs.  
Button after the peal of welcome on July  
13th was much appreciated. Surfleet has had  
a great ringing parson in the past who un-  
hesitatingly laid down the law when the occa-  
sion demanded.

Capt. Marybelle Nissly, a member of the  
U.S.A.F. stationed near Huntingdon, and  
already well known to many ringers in this  
country, attempted and was successful in ring-  
ing her first quarter peal at All Saints', Hunt-  
ingdon, on July 12th as reported in our last  
issue. The conductor, Mr. H. S. Peacock,  
who first introduced Marybelle to tower bell  
ringing, was very pleased at the performance,  
and looks forward to the ringing of more  
quarter peals, and then a peal.

Eight girls of St. Elphin's C. of E. Public  
School for Girls, Darley Dale, Derbyshire,  
rang the bells of Bakewell Parish Church for  
their annual service for scholars and parents  
on July 18th. The girls had been trained to  
ring at St. Helen's, Darley Dale, and had  
assisted in the Sunday service ringing there  
during terms. Only rounds were rung at Bake-  
well, but several of them can ring Plah Bob  
on handbells as the girls come from all parts  
of the country. We hope they will continue  
to ring at their own churches; many of them  
are daughters of clergymen.

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## TEN BELL PEALS

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
BRISTOL.—At Christ Church with St. Ewen.

On Mon., July 13, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,  
A PEAL OF 5021 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 23 cwt.

*Jacqueline A. Hobbs .. Treble	Patrick J. Bird .. .. 6
Alan Tubb .. .. 2	Richard J. Bowden .. .. 7
Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 3	D. John Hunt .. .. 8
John M. Stallard .. .. 4	*Peter Bridle .. .. 9
†Michael J. Hobbs .. .. 5	James R. Taylor .. .. Tenor

Composed by ALBERT M. TYLER. Conducted by PATRICK J. BIRD.

\* First peal of Grandsire Caters. † 125th peal.  
In memoriam Cecil Dyer, deceased July 13th, 1963; organist and choirmaster at this church for many years.

BRISTOL.—At the Priory Church of St. James with St. Peter.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 28 cwt.

Gillian M. Hussey .. Treble	P. Leslie Pearce .. .. 6
*John H. Taylor .. .. 2	Patrick J. Bird .. .. 7
Peter Bridle .. .. 3	Philip M. J. Gray .. .. 8
†Alan Tubb .. .. 4	D. John Hunt .. .. 9
Michael J. Hobbs .. .. 5	Rev. Roger O. Fry .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. J. TUCKER. Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

\* First peal of Royal. † 25th peal. First peal on the bells for 18 years. Rung for and on St. James' Day.

SWINDON, Wiltshire.—At Christ Church.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 22cwt. 9 lb. in E flat.

*Shirley Little .. .. Treble	†Eric Sutton .. .. 6
†Victor Griffin .. .. 2	§Michael J. Stanley .. .. 7
Walter F. Judge .. .. 3	†W. Bertram Kynaston .. .. 8
†Gordon W. Land .. .. 4	Charles H. Kippin .. .. 9
†Rev. Roger Keeley .. .. 5	Robert C. Kippin .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. KENNETH LEWIS. Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

\* First peal on 10 bells. † First in the method. ‡ First of Royal in the method. § First of Surprise Royal.

First of Royal in the method on the bells, for the Association and in the county.

Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar, Rev. John Wilson Jackson.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

KING'S LYNN, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Margaret.

On Sun., July 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 29½ cwt. in D flat.

Leslie W. Houghton .. Treble	Rev. Giles C. Galley .. .. 6
Claudia A. Critchley .. .. 2	Norman V. Harding .. .. 7
Diana M. Pipe .. .. 3	Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. 8
Jack L. Millhouse .. .. 4	Cecil W. Pipe .. .. 9
G. William Critchley .. .. 5	George W. Pipe .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by GEORGE W. PIPE.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

BIRMINGHAM.—At the Church of St. Martin.

On Tues., July 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 36 cwt. 110 lb. in C.

Brian J. Woodruffe .. Treble	Geoffrey J. Hemming .. .. 6
John C. Eisel .. .. 2	Martin D. Fellows .. .. 7
Michael J. Fellows .. .. 3	*Philip J. Rothera .. .. 8
George E. Fearn .. .. 4	Gerald C. Hemming .. .. 9
*Maurice G. Ingram .. .. 5	J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. ALAN AINSWORTH.

\* First peal of Yorkshire Royal.

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

On Thurs., July 9, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 31 cwt. 2 lb. in D.

George E. Fearn .. Treble	Edward W. Colley .. .. 6
Susan Funnell .. .. 2	Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 7
John C. Eisel .. .. 3	Robert C. Kippin .. .. 8
S. Clarke Walters .. .. 4	Brian J. Woodruffe .. .. 9
George E. Thoday .. .. 5	J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by RODERICK W. PIPE.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

BEDDINGTON, Surrey.—At the Church of Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 3 Hours,

A PEAL OF 5021 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in E flat.

Jean L. Lavender .. Treble	†Kevin Taber .. .. 6
Raymond E. Finch .. .. 2	†Norman Steere .. .. 7
David Herschell .. .. 3	Richard Stevens .. .. 8
Raymond J. Talbott .. .. 4	Frank E. Darby .. .. 9
*Alan Streeter .. .. 5	Stewart F. Kimber .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. E. ELSON. Conducted by FRANK E. DARBY.

Rung to welcome Shirley Ruth, born July 22nd, 1964, to Norman and Heather Steere.

\* First peal on 10 bells. † First peal. ‡ First peal of Grandsire Caters.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BLAGDON, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb.

Jennifer M. Taylor .. Treble	James R. Taylor .. .. 5
Elizabeth A. G. Bowden .. .. 2	Richard J. Bowden .. .. 6
Patricia Diserens .. .. 3	Ronald F. Diserens .. .. 7
Don C. Exell .. .. 4	Ralph G. Edwards .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by RONALD F. DISERENS.

BACKWELL, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In eight methods, containing 1,600 London, 1,440 Rutland, 480 Bristol and 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire, with 120 changes of method. Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in D.	
Richard J. Bowden .. Treble	James R. Taylor .. .. 5
Elizabeth A. G. Bowden .. .. 2	Brian Bladen .. .. 6
C. Kenneth Lewis .. .. 3	Don C. Exell .. .. 7
David J. Allen .. .. 4	Peter Border .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY. Conducted by PETER BORDER.

CURRY RIVEL, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt.

*Alan F. Lee .. Treble	James R. Taylor .. .. 5
Jennifer M. Taylor .. .. 2	*Peter Bridle .. .. 6
*Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 3	D. John Hunt .. .. 7
*David J. Burt .. .. 4	Ralph G. Edwards .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN J. IVIN. Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

\* First peal of Bristol. † First of Bristol 'inside.'

THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

ILKESTON, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Thurs., June 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part .. Treble	Tenor 17 cwt. 9 lb. in E.
Denis R. Carlisle .. .. 2	George L. Roobottom .. .. 5
Gordon A. Halls .. .. 3	David W. Parkin .. .. 6
Frederick Gobey .. .. 4	John F. Murfin .. .. 7
Girling Rigby .. .. 5	Edmund Shuttleworth .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN F. MURFIN.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

ST. NEOTS, Huntingdonshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 29 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb in D.

Leslie F. Bailey .. Treble	Peter Woolven .. .. 5
Mary E. Edwards .. .. 2	Philip Mehew .. .. 6
William A. R. Chamberlain .. .. 3	David R. Sanderson .. .. 7
George E. Bonham .. .. 4	Bryan F. Sims .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by PHILIP MEHEW.

Rung with the best wishes of the band as a farewell compliment from the Association to Canon and Mrs. Galley, who have left St. Neots after 21 years to take the living of Heydon and Salle in Norfolk.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

STANFORD-LE-HOPE, Essex.—At the Church of St. Margaret of

Antioch.

On Thurs., July 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5024 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11½ cwt.

*Peter Sloman .. Treble	†David E. Belcham .. .. 5
†Philip J. Rothera .. .. 2	Ian R. Panton .. .. 6
Alfred J. House .. .. 3	Frank B. Lufkin .. .. 7
†Dennis Elliston .. .. 4	†Michael J. Hallett .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. † First of Pudsey Surprise. ‡ 25th peal.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BRISTOL.—At the Church of St. Ambrose.

On Tues., July 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11½ cwt. in F sharp.

Geoffrey R. Marchant .. Treble	James R. Taylor .. .. 5
Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 2	Cliff Richards .. .. 6
Alan Tubb .. .. 3	D. John Hunt .. .. 7
John H. Taylor .. .. 4	Michael J. Hobbs .. .. Tenor

Composed by NORMAN SMITH. Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

First peal of Yorkshire on the bells.

Rung in memory of Frank Skidmore. Master of the G. & B., 1959-1960, and ringer at this tower for many years, who passed away on July 18th, 1960.



**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
BUSHEY, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. James.  
On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in F sharp.

Frances Proctor .. .. Treble	Michael W. Coleman .. .. 5
Christopher C. Clarke .. .. 2	Keith J. Walpole .. .. 6
Dennis C. Bowen .. .. 3	Stephen Darvill .. .. 7
Kenneth J. Darvill .. .. 4	Howard Oglesey .. .. Tenor

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE. Conducted by HOWARD OGLESBY.  
Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. Anthony R. Mann and Miss Heather A. Oakley by fellow members of the Society of Raving Ringers, the ceremony being at Aldenham later in the day.

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
MARDEN, Kent.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.  
On Fri., July 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14½ cwt. in F.

Reginald E. Lambert .. Treble	Trevor A. Cross .. .. 5
Angela Grainger .. .. 2	Robert T. Lambert .. .. 6
*Peter Carter .. .. 3	Bernard F. L. Groves .. .. 7
Thomas E. Sone .. .. 4	Martin L. Howe .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER. Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.  
\* First peal in the method.

Rung as a compliment to Rosemary Eagling and Bruce Grainger, after their wedding at the above church. Both are church bellringers, and Rosemary is the daughter of the Vicar and Mrs. Eagling.

**EDENBRIDGE, Kent.**—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.  
On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 7 lb. in F sharp.

Judith M. Corby .. .. Treble	Doris E. Colgate .. .. 5
Andrew J. Corby .. .. 2	*Edward J. Jenner .. .. 6
*Hilary F. Martin .. .. 3	Robert W. Hinde .. .. 7
Ann Jenner .. .. 4	Stanley Jenner .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by STANLEY JENNER.

\* First peal in the method.

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
SOUTHPORT, Lancashire.—At the Church of Emmanuel.  
On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb.

Fred Pearson .. .. Treble	Martin Snape .. .. 5
Mary Perry .. .. 2	Peter Beverley .. .. 6
Victor Draper .. .. 3	Ronald Kenrick .. .. 7
Kenneth Wilson .. .. 4	Norman Heaps .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by NORMAN HEAPS.

Rung by the Sunday service band to celebrate the birth of the 4th ringer's son and the 6th ringer's daughter.

**TODMORDEN, Yorkshire.**—At the Unitarian Church.  
On Sun., July 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 17 lb in F.

Derek Butterworth .. .. Treble	*David W. Howarth .. .. 5
John P. Partington .. .. 2	Richard J. Parker .. .. 6
Geoffrey Cheetham .. .. 3	Jeffrey Kershaw .. .. 7
*J. M. Donald Bateman .. .. 4	Ivan Kay .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by DEREK BUTTERWORTH.

\* First peal.

**BURNLEY, Lancashire.**—At the Church of St. Peter.  
On Wed., July 15, 1964, in 3 Hours.

**A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 18 cwt. 8 qr.

Richard Starkie .. .. Treble	Jeffrey Kershaw .. .. 5
*Margaret E. Fort .. .. 2	Richard Parker .. .. 6
J. Barry Pickup .. .. 3	Bernard Moss .. .. 7
C. Ashworth .. .. 4	John Ashcroft .. .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD.

Conducted by JOHN ASHCROFT.

\* First peal in the method 'inside.'

**TODMORDEN, Yorkshire.**—At Christ Church.  
On Thurs., July 23, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 23 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb. in E.

Derek Butterworth .. .. Treble	Richard J. Parker .. .. 5
Richard S. Starkie .. .. 2	Jeffrey Kershaw .. .. 6
J. Colin Ashworth .. .. 3	Geoffrey Cheetham .. .. 7
John P. Partington .. .. 4	J. Barry Pickup .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN.

Conducted by DEREK BUTTERWORTH.

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.  
On Tues., July 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 12 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

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

G. Ronald Edwards .. Treble	Richard J. Clifton .. .. 5
Sandra E. Chesterton .. 2	Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. 6
Brian G. Warwick .. .. 3	Peter Humphrey .. .. 7
Joseph W. Cotton .. .. 4	A. James Poynor .. .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN.

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

250th peal of Surprise as conductor.

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
SURFLEET, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Laurence.

On Mon., July 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 ASHTEAD SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 9 lb. in F.

Frank Taylor .. .. Treble	Alan G. Payne .. .. 5
George W. Massey .. .. 2	Denis Woods .. .. 6
Roger D. Bailey .. .. 3	Brian Harris .. .. 7
Derek J. Jones .. .. 4	Cyril R. Burrell .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOSEPH W. PARKER.

Conducted by GEORGE W. MASSEY.

First peal in the method by all except the ringer of the tenor.  
Rung as a welcome to the Rev. D. F. Button, newly inducted Vicar of Surfleet, and Mrs. Button.

**SPALDING, Lincolnshire.**—At the Church of Our Lady and St. Nicholas.

On Mon., July 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in F.

Shirley Harris .. .. Treble	Denis Woods .. .. 5
*Derek J. Jones .. .. 2	Roger D. Bailey .. .. 6
Frank Taylor .. .. 3	Raymond H. Daw .. .. 7
George W. Massey .. .. 4	Brian Harris .. .. Tenor

Composed by JAMES TOPP.

Conducted by GEORGE W. MASSEY.

\* First peal in the method.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

WILLESDEN, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Thurs., July 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 SEAFIELD SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

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

Composed by ERNEST W. TIPLER.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

The first peal in the method.

**TOTTENHAM, N., Middlesex.**—At the Church of All Hallows.  
On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr.

Lorna E. Simpson .. .. Treble	Malcolm M. Powell .. .. 5
John R. Ketteringham .. 2	Clive W. Simpson .. .. 6
Julia A. Fellows .. .. 3	Leonard J. North .. .. 7
Rodney A. Yeates .. .. 4	Robert E. Hardy .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM.

A birthday compliment to Malcolm Powell.

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
QUIDENHAM, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Andrew.  
On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 ASHBORNE COLLEGE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

William Clover .. .. Treble	Thomas E. Spight .. .. 5
Sidney Marshall .. .. 2	H. William Barrett .. 6
Martin Cubitt .. .. 3	*Henry Tooke .. .. 7
Kevin S. Hohl .. .. 4	Leslie Bailey .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER.

Conducted by LESLIE BAILEY.

\* 400th peal for the Norwich Diocesan Association.  
First peal in the method by all, on the bells and for the Association.  
Rung half-muffled as a token of respect to Christine Carolyn Golden, daughter of the president of the Association (Mr. F. Nolan Golden) and Mrs. Golden.

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
WOKINGHAM, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Paul.  
On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part .. ..	Tenor 15 cwt.
*Mrs. R. K. Rivers .. .. Treble	Raymond K. Rivers .. .. 5
Mrs. H. Smith .. .. 2	Harold Smith .. .. 6
Mrs. B. C. Castle .. .. 3	Bernard C. Castle .. .. 7
Stanley G. Scott .. .. 4	Jack Prince .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BERNARD C. CASTLE.

\* First attempt for a peal.  
Rung to commemorate the centenary of the church.

**SEAFIELD SURPRISE MAJOR**

58.34—4—58—38.14—14.5.36—16.5.

2nds place i.e. 15738264 4ths place bobs

Composition as for Quedgeley Surprise Major in 'R.W.' December 15th, 1961; page 852.



**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
RUSHDEN, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 18 cwt. in E.

Mary R. Bloxam .. Treble	Harry Richardson .. 5
Ann E. Chettle .. 2	A. Leslie Priestley .. 6
*Brenda M. Dixon .. 3	Murray A. Coleman .. 7
†Roger L. Colley .. 4	Arthur Gibbs .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by MURRAY A. COLEMAN.

\* First of Major. † First peal.

Rung for the wedding of Mr. Bob Whitworth and Miss Ann Newbury, which took place at Irchester on this day.

**THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**  
LINCOLN.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 lb. in E.

*Christine M. Fuller .. Treble	Peter A. Sharp .. 5
Margaret A. Parker .. 2	Geoffrey R. Parker .. 6
*Joyce M. Gurnhill .. 3	*Alan R. Baldock .. 7
Jack L. Millhouse .. 4	Geoffrey Paul .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY.

Conducted by GEOFFREY PAUL.

\* First peal of Bristol Surprise Major.

Rung for the wedding of Jean F. Barnett and James A. D. Woolford, which took place on this day at Crayford, in the County of Kent.

**THE SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.**

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Mon., July 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 14 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

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

*George A. Dawson .. Treble	Simon Humphrey .. 5
Peter Humphrey .. 2	Raymond Benfield .. 6
Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. 3	Michael Poppleston .. 7
John C. Shonfeld .. 4	G. Ronald Edwards .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by RAYMOND BENFIELD.

\* 25th peal.

A birthday compliment to C. Humphrey.

**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**

BASFORD, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Leodegarius.

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 3 Hours.

**A PEAL OF 5056 BASFORD DELIGHT MAJOR**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

Middleton's .. Treble	William L. Exton .. 5
Malcolm D. Barsby .. 2	B. Siedman Payne .. 6
*Anne E. Bateson .. 3	Colin W. Reed .. 7
Mary C. Poyner .. 4	Harry Poyner .. Tenor

Conducted by HARRY POYNER.

\* First peal of Delight. The first peal in the method, which was rung to welcome Rev. G. S. Cheetham, inducted the previous Monday.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Mon., July 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 KENT & OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

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

Raymond Benfield .. Treble	George A. Dawson .. 5
Simon Humphrey .. 2	Peter Humphrey .. 6
Michael Poppleston .. 3	B. Siedman Payne .. 7
John C. Shonfeld .. 4	G. Ronald Edwards .. Tenor

Composed by E. C. GOBEY.

Conducted by RAYMOND BENFIELD.

**THE SUFFOLK GUILD.**

LAVENHAM, Suffolk.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 23 cwt. in D flat.

Dudley H. P. Buxton .. Treble	Ranald W. M. Clouston .. 5
Maurice T. Symonds .. 2	Philip J. Rothera .. 6
Samuel J. Twitchett .. 3	Kenneth J. Hesketh .. 7
Thomas Bird .. 4	George W. Pipe .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD.

Conducted by GEORGE W. PIPE.

Rung to mark the visit of the Archbishop of York to the diocese, and also arranged as the last peal on the bells in their mediæval (1553) frame before re-banging.

**BASFORD DELIGHT MAJOR**

x38x18x56x36x14x38x14x78. 1.h. 12, 1573.

**GRUNDISBURGH, Suffolk.**—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Wed., July 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In 8 methods: 1,600 each of London and Rutland, and 320 each of Bristol, Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire, with 129 changes of method.

*Alice E. J. Lester .. Treble	Howard W. Egglestone .. 5
*James B. Morley .. 2	†George W. Pipe .. 6
†Roger L. K. Whittell .. 3	Leslie G. Brett .. 7
John R. Mayne .. 4	†Cecil W. Pipe .. Tenor

Composed by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.

\* First peal of Spliced Surprise. † First of Spliced in eight methods. An 89th birthday compliment to George E. Symonds, of Ipswich.

**DEBENHAM, Suffolk.**—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Pitstow's. Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb. in E flat.

Walter W. Miller .. Treble	Geoffrey Pearson .. 5
Alice E. J. Lester .. 2	Martin Press .. 6
Leslie G. Brett .. 3	George E. Thoday .. 7
Neville F. Whittell .. 4	Kenneth J. Hesketh .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. THODAY.

An 89th birthday compliment to George E. Symonds, of Ipswich.

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

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5184 LINDUM SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb.

Claudia A. Critchley .. Treble	Peter J. Coles .. 5
G. William Critchley .. 2	Colin A. S. Harwood .. 6
Norman V. Harding .. 3	Jack S. Dear .. 7
Eric Edmondson .. 4	J. Richard Castledine .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. PITMAN.

Conducted by G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY.

First peal in the method by all the band.

**THE SUFFOLK GUILD.**

DEBENHAM, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

On Tues., July 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5120 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 13½ cwt. in E.

Ernest G. Pearce .. Treble	George E. Thoday .. 5
Cecil W. Pipe .. 2	Leslie G. Brett .. 6
*Alice E. J. Lester .. 3	George W. Pipe .. 7
†Roger L. K. Whittell .. 4	John R. Mayne .. Tenor

Composed by MAURICE HODGSON.

Conducted by GEORGE W. PIPE.

\* First peal in the method. † 100th peal.

**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

ARUNDEL, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Fri., July 10, 1964, in 3 Hours.

**A PEAL OF 5152 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 13½ cwt.

William T. Beeson .. Treble	*Robert Wake .. 5
*Patricia Diserens .. 2	Brian J. Luff .. 6
Edgar R. Rapley .. 3	Ronald F. Diserens .. 7
Stanley G. Ponting .. 4	W. Leslie Weller .. Tenor

Composed by F. H. DEXTER.

Conducted by RONALD F. DISERENS.

\* First peal in the method.

Rung in memory of Frederick W. Rogers.

**THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

NEW ALRESFORD, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist.

On July 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 ALRESFORD SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb.

Patricia E. Buss .. Treble	James R. Taylor .. 5
Patricia Diserens .. 2	Brian J. Luff .. 6
Jennifer M. Taylor .. 3	Tom Page .. 7
Edgar R. Rapley .. 4	Ronald F. Diserens .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by RONALD F. DISERENS.

First peal in the method. (H. and M. Collection, No. 2,048.)

**ALRESFORD SURPRISE MAJOR**

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## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
PYLLE, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Thomas-a-Becket.

On Fri., July 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 10 cwt. 13 lb. in G.	
*Richard Bowditch .. .. Treble	†Sheila Hallett .. .. 4
†Brenda Boyce .. .. 2	William A. Theobald .. .. 5
Gwilym Salmon .. .. 3	Ronald D. Short .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM A. THEOBALD.

\* First peal. † First of Minor.

### THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

EXHALL, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Mon., July 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In four methods, being two extents each of Cambridge Surprise and Kent Treble Bob, one extent of Oxford Treble Bob, and two extents of Plain Bob.

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb.	
David J. Allen .. .. Treble	Joseph W. Cotton .. .. 4
Keith F. Gardner .. .. 2	Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. .. 5
Dan S. Pont .. .. 3	Arthur E. Rowley .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR E. ROWLEY.

### THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.

BALLYLESSON, Co. Down.—At the Church of Holy Trinity, Drumbo.

On Mon., July 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb.	
*Rosemary Thompson .. Treble	*Raymond F. Bain .. .. 4
*Jonathan S. N. Porter .. 2	*Gerald D. Brown .. .. 5
†Janet E. Maybin (14) .. 3	John T. Dunwoody .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN T. DUNWOODY.

\* First peal of Treble Bob Minor. † First of Minor.

### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

EGERTON, Kent.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE COURT BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents, with 5-6 the right way throughout.

Tenor 10 cwt. in G.	
Peter Richardson .. .. Treble	Dennis A. Chapman .. .. 4
*Nicholas J. Davies .. .. 2	Crawford T. Hillis .. .. 5
Thomas Cullingworth .. .. 3	*John R. Cooper .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CRAWFORD T. HILLIS.

\* 25th peal together. First peal in the method by all the band except ringer of 3rd. 50th peal as conductor.

Rung to celebrate the wedding of Miss Katherine Stisted, who learnt to ring at this tower, and Major A. J. M. Daniel, of the Welsh Regiment, who were married at this church on this, St. James', day.

### THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

CROFT, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Mon., July 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Seven 720's.

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb. in B.	
Frederick Watson .. .. Treble	Michael E. Brown .. .. 4
Brian L. Burrows .. .. 2	K. Paul Gilliver .. .. 5
Joseph W. Cotton .. .. 3	John Watkins .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

NEW BUCKENHAM, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Martin.

On Mon., July 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of Kent and Oxford T.B., one each of Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B. and four of Plain Bob.

Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.	
William Clover .. .. Treble	Henry Tooke .. .. 4
Thomas E. Spight .. .. 2	Peter M. Adcock .. .. 5
Frank G. J. Arnold .. .. 3	Leslie Bailey .. .. Tenor

Conducted by LESLIE BAILEY.

KETTERINGHAM, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Fri., July 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Tenor 10 cwt.

Charles H. Moore .. .. Treble	Henry Tooke .. .. 4
William Clover .. .. 2	H. William Barrett .. .. 5
Thomas E. Spight .. .. 3	Leslie Bailey .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HENRY TOOKE.

The conductor has now called a peal from each bell in the tower.

SHIPDHAM, Norfolk.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Wed., June 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's and Oxford T.B., and two each of Plain Bob and Kent T.B.

Tenor 10 cwt. in G.	
Janet Hohl .. .. Treble	Sidney Marshall .. .. 4
*Peter Pease .. .. 2	George P. Adams .. .. 5
Kevin S. Hohl .. .. 3	H. William Barrett .. .. Tenor

Conducted by H. WILLIAM BARRETT.

\* First peal on six bells.

Rung as a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Marshall, and for the engagement of Mr. P. Pease to Miss Vivienne Lee.

## BETJEMAN—A Poet of Ecclesiology

(Continued from front page)

and in 'Bristol':

Ringers in an oil-lit belfry—Bitton? Kelston? who shall say?

Smoothly practising a plain course, caverned out the dying day

As their melancholy music flooded up and ebbed away.

By the tall embattled church-towers of the Bristol waterside.

And an undersong to branches dripping into pools and wells

Out of the multitudes of elm trees over leagues of hills and dells

Was the mathematical pattern of a plain course on the bells.

It is apparent that John Betjeman can be more aptly described as 'a poet of ecclesiology' and it is appropriate that the Central Council of Church Bellringers is approaching him to become an Honorary Member of that body—a branch of ecclesiology in which I am sure he will be pleased to share and has unwittingly shared, as for example:

Come on! come on! a final pull. Tom Blake  
Stalks over from the bell-rope to his pew.

SCARNING, Norfolk.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Wed., July 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being extents of Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Double Oxford Bob, Double Court and St. Clement's.

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.	
Janet Hohl .. .. Treble	George T. Bunning .. .. 4
Sidney Marshall .. .. 2	Kevin S. Hohl .. .. 5
George P. Adams .. .. 3	H. William Barrett .. .. Tenor

Conducted by H. WILLIAM BARRETT.

In memoriam Christine Golden, who died this day, daughter of Nolan Golden, Association president.

### THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ATCHAM, Shropshire.—At the Church of St. Eata.

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 11 cwt.	
Frederick G. Beddow .. Treble	Michael Wycherley .. .. 4
Richard E. Morris .. .. 2	Reginald H. Newton .. .. 5
Ernest F. Wilcox .. .. 3	Philip J. Evans .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PHILIP J. EVANS.

The ringers of treble and third have now 'circled the tower.'

### THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

WILLOUGHBY-ON-THE-WOLDS, Notts.—At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints.

On Thurs., July 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being six extents each of Grandsire, Reverse Canterbury, Clifford's Pleasure, Southrepps, Plain Bob, Kennington and April Day.

Tenor 6 cwt. 1 lb.	
Robert D. Marsh .. .. Treble	Ruth Blackshaw .. .. 3
Margaret E. Chilton .. .. 2	Maurice W. Harrison .. .. 4

C. Raymond Larkin .. .. Tenor

Conducted by RUTH BLACKSHAW.

A welcome to Kevin Longley, born July 21st, 1964.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

BLACKMOOR, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Matthew.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being sixteen extents of Plain Bob and twenty-six of Grandsire.

Tenor 9½ cwt.	
*Geoffrey G. Clark .. Treble	Kenneth G. Waller .. .. 4
*Michael J. Bura .. .. 2	Charles E. Bassett .. .. 5
Ramon A. Stone .. .. 3	*Joy Martin .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES E. BASSETT.

\* First peal Rung in memoriam Robert Fisher.

## HANDBELL PEAL

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

BRIGHTWELL-CUM-SOTWELL, Berkshire.—In the Belfry of the Church of St. Agatha.

On Tues., July 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 17 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven differently-called extents.

Roger M. Heyworth .. 1-2	P. Gerald McIlhone (cond.) 3-4
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\*Andrew J. Howes .. .. 5-6

\* First peal 'in hand.'



# QUARTER PEALS

**ALDENHAM, HERTS.**—On July 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Franks (first quarter) 1, Frances Proctor 2, H. Oglesby (cond.) 3, C. Evans 4, D. C. Bowen 5, C. C. Clarke 6, M. W. Coleman 7, D. Franks (first quarter) 8. A wedding compliment to Mr. Anthony R. Mann and Miss Heather A. Oakley.

**ALL CANNINGS, WILTS.**—On June 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Bailey (cond.) 1, Pamela Osborne 2, E. Burry (first 'inside') 3, J. Burry 4, H. Osborne 5.

**ALTON, HANTS.**—On July 18th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Susan Wood 1, Lesley Read 2, Pamela Gough 3, R. Corke 4, B. Walton 5, D. White 6, P. Joyce 7, D. Hughes (cond.) 8.

**BAMPTON, OXON.**—On June 18th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: B. J. Coggins 1, T. Timms 2, P. Beedie 3, W. Clarke (first in method) 4, A. Lloyd 5, W. Dixon 6, D. Kay Adkins (cond.) 7, H. Bunce 8.

**BANBURY, OXON.**—On July 18th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. E. F. Easley 1, C. T. Wightman 2, H. Bishop 3, J. Bishop 4, H. Hyde 5, H. H. Alexander (cond.) 6. To celebrate the marriage of Miss Diana French and Mr. Robert A. Reeves, both ringers.

**BEVERLEY, YORKS.**—At St. Mary's Church, on July 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: J. Rank 1, G. Smith 2, I. Campbell 3, P. Scowton 4, D. P. B. Miles 5, K. Goldthorpe (50th quarter) 6, D. Johnson 7, I. Booth (cond.) 8, C. Brown 9, R. Gibbon 10. First of Royal for 2, 3, 4, 5, 9.

**BIDDENHAM, BEDS.**—On July 16th, 1,260 Minor (720 Cambridge, 360 Kent T.B., 180 Plain Bob): D. Manion 1, L. Williams 2, R. Chapman 3, E. Jefferies 4, D. A. Hammond 5, E. P. Inskip (cond.) 6. Also on July 18th, 1,260 Plain Minor (720 Double Court Bob, 540 Single Oxford Bob): Miss M. R. Field 1, F. W. Rivett 2, Miss K. A. Rivett 3, R. L. Piron 4, D. A. Hammond 5, M. J. Marriott (cond.) 6. A compliment to the conductor's parents, on their 28th wedding anniversary.

**BINSTED, HANTS.**—On July 18th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Susan Wood 1, Lesley Read 2, P. Joyce 3, R. Corke 4, D. White 5, B. Walton (first of Minor as cond.) 6.

**BRIDGERULE, DEVON.**—On July 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. G. Pearce 1, W. R. Hill 2, W. H. Cholwill 3, E. F. Hancock 4, C. Bishop 5, H. Stacey (cond.) 6, J. W. Sangwin 7, C. J. Cholwill 8.

**BROMHAM, WILTS.**—On July 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: W. R. Pearce 1, Pauline A. Lansley 2, Mrs. R. J. Drewitt 3, W. Gearing 4, R. J. Drewitt 5, P. S. Gaisford (first as cond.) 6.

**BROGFELD, ESSEX.**—On July 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Gibson (first quarter) 1, Rosemarie Friih 2, Edna Friih 3, M. J. Cowling 4, C. K. Cooper 5, I. R. Pantan (cond.) 6. For Family Matins, and as a compliment to Joyce Friih, ringer at this church, married the previous day at Chelmsford Cathedral to Donald Wilson.

**BURRINGTON, SOMERSET.**—On July 14th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob, April Day, Reverse Canterbury, Clifford's Pleasure): B. Mills 1, R. Williams 2, G. Gilling (cond.) 3, C. Wilson 4, J. Watts 5, H. H. Gilling 6. Rung half-muffled.

**CANFORD MAGNA, DORSET.**—On July 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. D. Rogers 1, M. A. C. Frewer 2, R. M. T. Marshall 3, W. J. Foot 4, H. I. Pitman (cond.) 5, R. M. B. Wainwright 6. First quarter 1 and 3. A farewell to ringers of 3 and 6.

**CANNOCK, STAFFS.**—On July 24th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Lynda Roberts 1, G. Bradbury 2, Margaret Guthrie 3, A. E. Barker 4, P. J. Barker (cond.) 5, R. D. Baker 6. First quarter in five methods by all the band. Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss Jane Hume Townshend, eldest daughter of the Vicar of Cannock, to Mr. Anthony John Whieldon, of Hagley Hall, Ruseley, which took place this day.

**CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.**—1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covers): G. G. Clark 1, T. J. Wellen 2, M. D. Fuller 3, M. J. Bura 4, J. F. Payne (cond.) 5, J. H. Payton 6, R. Cooper 7, L. Connor 8.

**CHIDDINGSTONE, KENT.**—On July 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. H. French 1, Mrs. H. W. Rogers 2, J. M. Hollyman 3, R. Hayes 4, B. E. Jeffrey (cond.) 5, D. J. M. Cox 6, C. H. Rogers 7, P. R. Everest 8. For Confirmation service, at which five of the candidates were members of the local band.

**CODDENHAM, SUFFOLK.**—On July 16th, 1,260 Cambridge Surprise: R. W. K. Whittell 1, H. D. Lister 2, R. E. Lester 3, H. Leather 4, L. G. Brett (cond.) 5, N. E. Whittell 6, A. R. Bridges 7, W. J. Button 8. Rung for the complete restoration of the church.

**CLAPHAM PARK, LONDON.**—On July 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Clayton 1, A. Bishop 2, R. Stephens 3, R. Cooles 4, M. J. Fellows (cond.) 5, R. Yates 6, M. D. Fellows 7, C. Dalton 8, A.M.D.G.

**DUBLIN.**—At St. Patrick's Cathedral, on July 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. H. Brown 1, W. I. Farrell 2, F. E. Dukes (Drogheda) 3, Sandra Dukes (Drogheda) 4, H. W. Jones 5, J. A. Atkinson 6, C. J. Reede (first as cond.) 7, T. H. Wilson 8. A golden wedding compliment to William H. Wilson (president of this Society) and Mrs. Wilson.

**DUNKERTON, SOMERSET.**—On July 9th, 1,440 St. Clement's Bob Minor: K. Baker 1, Rosemary Smith 2, R. Smith 3, A. Perry 4, M. Horseman (cond.) 5, P. N. Bond 6.

**EASEBOURNE, SUSSEX.**—On July 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. G. Clark 1, T. J. Wellen 2, M. J. Bura (first as cond.) 3, J. E. Clark 4, B. G. D. Vince 5, N. J. Smith 6.

**EPPIING UPLAND, ESSEX.**—On July 17th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Miss P. Fox 1, A. Crowson 2, K. Warner 3, A. Faulkner 4, D. Hewitt 5, D. Ellisdon (cond.) 6. First of Surprise 2, 3, 4.

**ESSENDON, HERTS.**—On July 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: P. Twigg (first quarter) 1, Anne Luxon 2, Margaret Twigg (first as cond.) 3, M. V. White 4, M. Gilbey 5, R. Luxon 6. Rung by Edmonton County Grammar School Guild of Ringers as a 16th birthday compliment to the conductor.

**EXETER.**—At the Cathedral, on July 19th, 1,250 Grandsire Caters: H. C. Spencer 1, Miss J. Smith 2, B. H. Thompson 3, F. Wills 4, D. Wills 5, C. Yates 6, F. Wreford (cond.) 7, F. D. Mack 8, W. J. Harvey 9, B. Coles and G. Skinner 10. Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. D. Woolford, on their marriage.

**FARNBOROUGH, HANTS.**—On July 5th, 720 Double Court, 720 St. Clement's: J. G. Treble 1, Beryl R. Simpson 2, Jessie M. Kippin 3, Charles H. Kippin 4, J. W. Couperthwaite 5, P. J. Joyce (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**HADDENHAM, CAMBS.**—On July 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Mrs. A. Payne 1, D. Mufret 2, G. Walker 3, J. Causar 4, A. Payne (cond.) 5, L. Lant 6. A 90th birthday compliment to Mr. Henry Sharp.

**HAMPTON, MIDD.**—At Hampton Grammar School, on February 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. C. Knights (first of Minor 'in hand') 1—2, M. B. Tyers 3—4, P. N. Felton (cond.) 5—6. Also on June 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: P. N. Felton 1—2, M. B. Tyers (cond.) 3—4, A. C. Knights 5—6. Also on June 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. C. Knights 1—2, M. B. Tyers 3—4, P. N. Felton (cond.) 5—6. A birthday compliment to M. B. Tyers.

**HOLLOWAY, LONDON.**—At St. Mary Magdalene, on July 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss D. A. Deverell 1, A. Turner 2, Miss M. Powell 3, R. Newman 4, G. Parsons 5, C. W. Mayer 6, R. H. Begrie (cond.) 7, A. W. Warren 8. For the Patronal Festival, and 150th anniversary of the church.

**KEEVIL, WILTS.**—On July 25th, 1,260 Mixed Doubles: W. Pearce 1, Pauline A. Lansley 2, Mrs. R. J. Drewitt 3, P. S. Gaisford 4, R. J. Drewitt (cond.) 5, W. Gearing 6.

**LITTLE MISSENDEN, BUCKS.**—On July 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: M. Bowden (first quarter) 1, E. Swift 2, Diane Presdee 3, Mrs. E. Swift 4, B. Collins (cond.) 5, A. Peel 6. Rung unmuffled at his request, to honour the memory of Sidney James Orchard, chairman of Chiltern Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild and foreman of this tower for many years. Died suddenly, July 8th, 1964.

**LISS, HANTS.**—On July 24th, 1,300 Doubles Patricia Smith 1, D. M. Hughes (cond., Plain Bob) 2, Lesley Read (cond., Grandsire) 3, K. Tipper 4, B. R. Walton (cond., Reverse Canterbury) 5, M. Hourahine 6. Rung half-muffled in memorial Francis Bridger, one time bellringer of this parish.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes', on July 20th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Olive D. Barnett 1, Sheila M. Dobbie 2, A. Boyack 3, N. F. Bagworth 4, E. A. Barnett 5, A. Bagworth 6, W. H. Dobbie (cond.) 7, P. D. Chapman 8. Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss Jean F. Barnett and Mr. James A. D. Woolford.

**MERTON, SURREY.**—On July 16th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): R. J. Eve (first quarter) 1, F. M. Seabright (first 'inside') 2, A. Clayton 3, G. R. Hawkes 4, N. S. Bagworth (cond.) 5. A farewell to the ringer of the treble, who is leaving the district.

**NEWBOLD-ON-AVON, WARWICKS.**—On June 17th, 1,260 Doubles (eleven methods): J. G. Edgson 1, Joan M. Cheney 2, P. M. Edgson 3, W. C. Budd 4, A. G. Eveleigh (cond.) 5, G. A. M. Clarke (first quarter) 6. Rung half-muffled for a memorial service to the Vicar, the Rev. A. R. Rankine, who died suddenly on June 4th.

**NEWPORT, MON.**—At the Church of All Saints, on June 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Sally Behenna 1, Jennifer Aldridge 2, L. F. G. Bainham 3, R. J. Waters 4, C. L. R. Bainham 5, C. Aldridge (cond.) 6. Also on July 20th, 1,260 Stedman and Grandsire Doubles: R. J. Waters 1, R. J. Stewart 2, D. Clarke 3, L. F. G. Bainham 4, C. L. R. Bainham (cond.) 5, R. Owen 6. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to the Ven. C. G. R. Lewis, former Archdeacon of Newport and Vicar of this parish, who died on July 17th.

**PERSHORE, WORCS.**—At the Abbey Church, on July 18th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: A. C. Berry 1, A. A. Jopp 2, A. P. White 3, J. E. Whittall 4, M. R. Ashmore 5, J. Attwood, jun. 6, P. Catermole (cond.) 7, P. D. Warren 8. First of Major 3 and 6. Rung after losing a peal.

**POOLE, DORSET.**—On July 26th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: A. G. Rose 1, Judith A. Rhoerison 2, R. Sheppard 3, H. A. Mitchell 4, C. T. Brown 5, G. W. Elmes (first of Grandsire Caters) 6, M. J. Young (first of Caters 'inside') 7, D. J. Forder 8, R. G. W. Robertson (first of Grandsire Caters as cond.) 9, R. W. Young (first of Caters) 10. Rung for the Feast of St. James.

**PUTNEY, LONDON.**—On July 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (tenor covering): C. F. Mew (cond.) 1, Julie S. Armstrong 2, R. J. Cooles 3, J. E. Price 4, B. H. Coatsworth 5, D. C. Brookes 6, Christine M. Cobb 7. First 'inside' 2 and 4.

**RADLEY, BERKS.**—On Dec. 15th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: J. J. Evans 1, C. D. Vere-Hodge 2, D. P. Sturge (first 'inside') 3, D. R. B. Collins 4, Miss D. J. Pollard (cond.) 5, D. J. H. Salter (first quarter) 6. Also on July 22nd, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: D. C. Harill (first quarter) 1, J. J. Evans (first 'inside') 2, D. P. Sturge 3, D. J. H. Salter 4, Miss M. R. Cross (cond.) 5, P. R. Daws (first quarter) 6.

**RATTLESDEN, SUFFOLK.**—On July 7th, 1,260 Minor (Kent and Plain): Mrs. R. E. Lester 1, R. E. Lester (cond.) 2, H. A. Mitson 3, F. Borley 4, E. A. Cracknell 5, A. T. Beckwith 6. A compliment to James Horrex, of Felsden, on his 81st birthday.

**ROWERBROW, SOMERSET.**—On July 18th, 1,272 Minor (480 Little Bob, 792 Plain Bob): M. T. Hebden 1, M. G. Dodson 2, R. W. Rice 3, D. J. Westlake 4, G. Hebden 5, W. S. Rice (cond.) 6. First in two minor methods by all the band.

**ST. HELENS, LANCs.**—On July 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. M. Roughley 1, W. F. Green 2, James Dilworth 3, John Dilworth 4, W. G. Ellisdon 5, E. Roughley (cond.) 6, T. D. Roughley 7, J. Hedgecock 8. First of Triples 1 and 8. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to Mr. Charles Blackburn, tower captain at this church for many years, whose funeral took place earlier this day.

**SHALFORD, SURREY.**—On July 23rd, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Patricia Laycock 1, Mrs. Rhoda Housden 2, Pamela Gough 3, L. C. W. Hunter 4, Diane Street 5, Elizabeth Stevinson (cond.) 6, F. W. Housden 7, S. G. Ponting 8. First in method 3, 5 and 6.

**TONBRIDGE, KENT.**—On July 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Sandra Greenhagh 1, Yvonne Hills 2, Angela W. Burgess 3, W. Rogers 4, Hilary A. Swallow 5, L. T. Pope 6, W. H. Dobbie (cond.) 7, C. W. Hancock 8. First of Triples 1 and 2.

**WALKINGTON, YORKS.**—On July 24th, 1,440 Beverley Surprise Minor: Barbara Cammack 1, J. I. Booth 2, G. K. Smith 3, H. C. Palmer 4, D. P. B. Miles 5, R. D. Gibson (cond.) 6. For the village barbecue.

**WASHINGTON, SUSSEX.**—On July 25th, 1,320 Bourne Surprise Minor: J. H. Payton 1, Diane Street 2, K. Sansom 3, Valerie Menham 4, Pamela Gough 5, Elizabeth Stevinson (cond.) 6. First in method for all.

**WEEK ST. MARY, CORNWALL.**—On July 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: H. Stacey 1, C. Sangwin 2, H. Heard 3, K. R. Holtom 4, P. Wishart 5, C. Bishop (cond.) 6.

**WIMBLEDON, SURREY.**—On July 12th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. Bishop 1, Judith Geiringer 2, M. Banham 3, Rosamund Rawlings 4, Vanessa Rodrigues 5, G. Reynolds 6, A. Bagworth (cond.) 7, D. Cocke 8. Also on July 26th, 1,344 Plain Bob Triples: Lesley Fames 1, A. Bishop 2, Elizabeth Zass 3, Rosamund Rawlings 4, Deborah Hopkins 5, M. Banham (cond.) 6, A. Bagworth 7, W. Cooper-Bailey 8.



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**HALLS**—To Gordon and Pat (nee Forster) a daughter, Diane Carol, on July 25th, 1964.—54, Willson Avenue, Littleover, Derby. 5091

### DEATH

**FIDLER**—On August 1st, 1964, at 28, Nambantan Road, Loughborough, Rachael Elizabeth, wife of J. P. Fidler and mother of Arthur Fidler. 5106

### RETURN THANKS

Mrs. Ruth Rogers thanks the many friends who sent messages of sympathy and kindly rang peals in memory of her dearest husband, Frederick Rogers. Also a special thank-you to Mr. Pullinger for his wonderful tribute at the A.G.M. 5079

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**KIRBY-LE-SOKEN** ringers wish to acknowledge the support given to their ringing Sunday on July 26th, especially those who travelled long distances.—Thank you all. 5076

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### CANCELLATION

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Biggleswade District.—There will be no evening meeting at Eaton Socon on Saturday, August 8th as arranged.—M. Major. 5090

### MEETINGS

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Cambridge District.—Meeting Saturday, August 8th at Littleington (6). Bells 3 p.m. service 4.30 p.m. tea 5 n.m. Bassingbourn (5) provisionally available after meeting.—B. D. Threlfall, D. St. Sec. 5081

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Western District.—August meeting will be held at Berkhamsted on Saturday, 8th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. D. Sennett, 33, Curtis Way, Berkhamsted. No name no tea.—R. Sheppard. 5066

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Tonbridge District.—The postponed quarterly meeting will be held at Lamberhurst on Saturday, August 8th. Bells from 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Names for tea, please.—W. H. Dobbie, Hon. Sec. 5029

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**—Loughborough District.—Joint with Syston District at Quorn on August 8th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Church Room 5 p.m. 5028

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (N. and E. District) and **LADIES' GUILD** (Central District).—Harrow-on-the-Hill, August 8th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Separate business meetings. Evening ringine.—E. H. Kilby, J. Spreadbury, Dis. Sec. 5030

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Davenport Branch.—Special Meeting at Farnborough and Burton Dassett, Saturday, August 8th. Farnborough, 3-4.45 p.m. Tea, Fenny Compton, 5. Burton Dassett, 6-9 n.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Spraggett, Mill Hill Farm, Fenny Compton, Leamington Spa. — F. W. Hancock. 5073

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**—Ringham District.—Meeting at Langar, August 8th. Bells 3 p.m. service 4.30. tea 5.0. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to W. L. Exton St. Owen's, Wharton.—R. Blackshaw, Dis. Sec. 5084

**SUFFOLK GUILD**—North-West District.—Ringing meeting at Horringer (8). Saturday, August 8th. Bells 3 to 9 p.m. Service 4 p.m. bring your own tea, cups of tea can be bought at cafe two minutes' walk from church.—A. F. Ballam Dis. Sec. 5070

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Western Division.—Quarterly meeting at Kirdford (6), Saturday, August 8th. Ringing at 5 o'clock. Service at 4.30 p.m. followed at 5 p.m. by tea and business meeting. Please notify for tea R. Wake, 28, Keynor Estate, Sidcl-cham Chichester. 5054

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION** (Southern District) and **BARNSLBY DISTRICT SOCIETY**.—Joint meeting Royston, August 8th Bells (6) available from 2 p.m. Barnsley (8) and Felkirk (6) at 7 n.m. Names for tea to Miss Sheila Chinnerv, 43, West Pinfold, Royston Barnsley.—J. J. L. Gilbert and J. W. Buxton. 5078

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Ilkeston District.—Meeting Attenborough (Notts.) Friday August 14th 7.30 p.m. Southwell Guild members welcome.—D. J. Marshall, Dis. Sec. 5085

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION**—Chew Branch.—Practice meeting at Portishead (8), Saturday, August 15th. Bells available 5 p.m.—D. G. Yeo, Hon. Branch Sec. 5105

**CLEVELAND AND N. YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Meeting on Saturday August 15th at Whitby. Bells (10) from 2.30 p.m. Please make own tea arrangements.—P. Wishart, Hon. Sec. 5107

**CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WEST-MORLAND ASSOCIATION**.—Joint Branch ringing meeting at Cockermouth on Saturday, August 15th. Bells (8) available 2.30, service 4.30, tea at 5 p.m. for those who notify Mr. R. W. D. Wetenhall, Shatton Lodge, Cockermouth, by August 12th. Special welcome to visitors to the Lake District.—J. W. Brownrigg, Hon. Sec. 5092

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION**—Western District.—Meeting at Benfieldside on Saturday, August 15th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to C. T. Lamb, 26, St. Mary's Crescent, Blackhill, Consett, Co. Durham. 5086

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Hunts District.—Meeting at Great Staughton, Saturday, August 15th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Special methods: York Surprise and St. Clements Minor.—M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 5089

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—St. Albans District.—August 15th, Welwyn. Bells (8) 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m., tea 5.15 p.m., also evening. S.M.—Double Oxford.—M.A.C. 5089

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**—Hinckley District.—Meeting Kirkby Mallory, Saturday, August 15th. Bells (6) 3. Service 4.30. Tea in the Village Hall, Peckleton, at 5. Names for tea, please, by the Wednesday previous, to Mrs. Liddington, Main Street, Peckleton. Leics. Return to Kirkby Mallory for evening ringing.—M. Vernon, Dis. Sec. 5102

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**—Market Harborough District. — Meeting Misterton, Saturday, August 15th. Bells (6) 3. Service 4.30. Provide own tea.—L. W. Allen, Dis. Sec. 5099

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—The Stanwell meeting will be held on Saturday, August 15th. Further details next week.—F. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec. (pro. tem), 5096

**SALISBURY GUILD**.—Marlborough Branch.—Meeting at Burbage (afternoon) and Milton Lilbourne (evening), August 15th. Names for tea by 12th to W. Siay, 91, High Street, Burbage.—G. Brown, Asst. Sec. 5101

**SUFFOLK GUILD**.—N.E. District.—Reference meeting at Aldeburgh, Saturday, August 15th, will attending ringers please make own arrangements for tea.—M. Branch, Dis. Sec. 5103

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Sonning Deanery Branch.—A combined practice will be held at Sonning on August 15th at 6 p.m. Special method—Kent and Oxford T.B. Major.—B. Castle. 5093

**LADIES' GUILD**.—Western District.—Practice meeting, Kewstoke (6), Monday, August 17th, 7.30-9 p.m. Visitors welcome.—M. de Jong. 5094

**SUFFOLK GUILD**—S.W. District.—Meeting at Preston St. Mary, Saturday, August 22nd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, by 19th August please, to Mr. Crss, Six Bells, Preston St. Mary, Sudbury, Suffolk. 5087

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**—The Oswy Street Memorial Cup, contest of 720 changes open to any band, will take place at Laxton (6) on Saturday, August 29th. Names for tea by 25th to Mr. D. Chambers, Dovecote Cottage, Laxton, Newark, Notts. Copies of Rules from H. Denman, 2, Askham Road, Rockley, Retford, Notts. 5062

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Eastern Branch.—Please note, the next meeting will now be held at Pakefield, September 5th.—N. P. J. Cossey, Branch Sec. 5074

**WRANGLI, SOMERSET**.—On July 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Trips: H. W. Knight (lead), 1. M. Clarke 2. H. Bird 3. P. J. Gardner 4. I. Ewered 5. F. Sandy 6. F. R. Cole 7. N. Bull 8. Rung to celebrate the silver wedding of the Rev. and Mrs. L. W. Fussell.



# MR. CLAUDE RUSH DELVES INTO 'CHURCH BELLS'

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## ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL, LONDON

The bells will be rung on the following days throughout 1881:—January 1, New Year's Day; January 25, Dedication Festival; April 17, Easter; May 24, Queen's Birthday; May 26, Ascension; June 5, Whitsun; June 20, Queen's Accession; November 1, All Saints' Day; November 9, Lord Mayor's Day; December 24, Christmas Eve; December 25, Christmas Day; December 31, New Year's Eve.

Eleven Tuesday evenings are listed for practice.

Later.—The Dean and Chapter have decided to have the grand ring of 12 rung every Sunday before Divine Service in the morning and afternoon to commence on Easter Sunday.

Looker-on in India, writing from Calcutta, expresses the view that there should be a new hour bell at St. Paul's.—It should be E flat below the present tenor. If it had two wheels, it could be raised and would then give such a sound as has rarely been heard. I need hardly say that it should be offered for competition to the world and the best bell should be chosen.

In March, 1881, Canon Robert Gregory, treasurer to the Dean and Chapter, wrote: "The Dean and Chapter are anxious to obtain a large Bourdon bell. Many City Companies have generously responded to our appeal. Owing to the very low price of bell metal we can secure a good bell, but not quite so good a one as we desire, for the money we have or have had promised. If we had £600 more we believe that St. Paul's would have the finest bell in England. We have determined to delay sending the order for a short time in the hope that some citizens of London or some of the Corporations which have not yet contributed will be moved with a public-spirit determination that St. Paul's shall have the finest bell in England."

"We are now being perpetually urged to ring our bells more frequently, while no complaints reach us of any being annoyed by them. Before they were rung we continually heard of the fears of those living in our immediate neighbourhood."

## ST. ANDREW'S, WELLS STREET, LONDON

This new ring of 8 bells has been presented to the church by a mother in memory of a beloved daughter. They have been cast by Mr. T. C. Lewis, of Shepherd's Lane, Brixton, and are what is called among bell-founders "a Maiden Peal," none of the bells having required any kind of tuning since they left the moulds. The whole ring weighs 76 cwt. The weight of the tenor is 21 cwt. its note is E. flat. Given by Susanna Imbert-Terry in memory of Antoinette Catherine Imbert-Terry, died 1878, aged 18. Dedicated by a solemn service after Evensong on St. Andrew's Eve, 1880.

'Tubal Cain' asked in the next issue of 'Church Bells'—"A maiden ring of eight bells is a wonderful turn-out from a bell-foundry. Will Mr. Lewis tell us how many of the castings failed before he obtained correct eight virgin bells?"

The next issue contained no reference, but later 'Another Tubal Cain' wrote, 'Everyone connected with "Church Bells" has learned to "ring in the true" in connection with all reports of skill and practices, and would be very glad to see an answer by Mr. Lewis to the query lately put by "Tubal Cain" to the report of his doings as a bellfounder, knowing him to be clever at organs and architecture. How many bells did he make or have made, so as to pick out his octave of maidens; and how many maidens' hearts has he broken, or has he in stock with useless inscriptions for other places or suitors, resulting from his selection? Will he answer?'

Then, later, Ed. Matthews, of Macclesfield, wrote, 'I see from the tone of one or two of your correspondents that they seem to doubt the existence of a "maiden" ring of bells. Without entering into the controversy

as to how such a ring is got out, I will just state that we had a maiden ring of ten bells, cast in 1777 by Rudhall, in the tower of Christ Church here; seven of which are now in the tower, the other three—the 1st, 2nd and 9th—being given in exchange for the present seventh in place of the then 9th which got broke in 1815.'

I see no reply by or on behalf of Mr. Lewis.—C.R. (To be continued)

## BATH & WELLS ASSOCIATION

The Church of St. Lawrence, Cucklington, with its six bells rung from the porch and extensive views of Somerset and Dorset to be seen from the churchyard, was chosen for the summer quarterly meeting of the Cary Branch on July 25th. Members were joined by ringers from the Salisbury Guild and visitors from Bedford and Newbury.

The service was conducted by the Rector, Rev. R. G. Harewood, the organist was Rev. G. S. Robinson (Branch chairman), and the lesson was read by Preb. O. H. Skipwith (vice-chairman).

After tea, in the Village Hall, those present stood in silence in memory of Rev. W. M. K. Warren, a former Master of the Association.

The chairman presented Association certificates to eight members from Cucklington, two from Bruton and two from Castle Cary.

Plans for the Branch outing were announced and the date for the Corporate Communion at Charlton Horethorne in October was fixed.

An amusing tape recording of the Cucklington ringers' New Year's Eve party was played. This featured the Rector leading the singing, in his own composition on the bells and ringers, sung to the tune of 'Uncle Tom Cobley.'

Votes of thanks were accorded to the Rector and to the ladies who had provided tea.

Ringling was then resumed at Cucklington, and also took place at Stoke Trister.

## OUTING

### FRAMSDEN AND DISTRICT

Memories of a few of the party in the Framsdens and district outing on June 25th to Kent were revived by visiting Christ Church, Erith, Dartford (and lunch), Swanscombe, Northfleet (and tea). Ringling was finally completed at Gravesend.

Standard methods to Spliced Surprise (which was well rung) and rounds for the juniors were included in the programme. Thanks are expressed to those who met the party, incumbents, Mr. E. A. Barnett for valuable assistance, Mr. Rayfield as guide and Mr. G. Butcher for arranging such sumptuous meals.

Having previously been presented with a bundle of stationery and a Parker pen, the organiser (Mr. L. G. Brett) has now been given a set of touring maps and an atlas in the hope that many more new towers can be visited!

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These are the young ringers at St. Peter's Parish Church, Drogheda. They are all at the Quaker School, Drogheda Grammar School. By arrangement with the headmaster, Mr. F. E. Dukes has three or four recruits each year. Full teams are available for all services during term time with up to 60 minutes' ringing before service. In our picture (from left to right) are: Gordon Duncan, Bridget Nuesink (Dutch), Jane Rourke (English), Ruth Warner, Edwin Dukes, Prue Nuesink (Dutch), Brian Scott (Kwail), Hazel Dowling, Sylvia Miller, Boudevyn De Wit (Dutch) and Valerie Fletcher.



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## QUARTER PEALS

**BARKINGSIDE, ESSEX.**—On July 19th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise. Major: A. Crowson 1, Miss P. Fox (first of Surprise 'inside') 2, D. Elidson 3, P. Wilkinson 4, A. Boyack 5, P. Fleckney 6, D. Hewitt 7, J. Crampion (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**LITTLE ASTON, STAFFS.**—On July 26th, 1,440 Spliced Surprise Minor (S 39, 36, 37, 40, 38, 41; S 33, 35, 31, 32): Miss C. M. Follis 1, P. G. Golder 2, Miss M. C. Smith 3, E. W. Colley 4, D. W. Barr 5, M. W. Faircy (cond.) 6. Most methods by all the band. For Evensong. Methods numbered according to Minor Collection.

**NORTH LEIGH, OXON.**—On July 24th, 1,272 Plain Bob Minimus: Susan Holden 1, T. G. Holden 2, D. Floyd 3, J. List (cond.) 4. First quarter of Minimus for all.

**STOCKBURY, KENT.**—On July 18th, 1,920 Doubles (five methods): Katharine M. Guy 1, D. P. Smith 2, T. Lewis (cond.) 3, A. J. Dunk 4, A. M. Macve 5. A peal attempt called round owing to adverse weather conditions.

**STORRINGTON, SUSSEX.**—On July 25th, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: K. Sansom 1, Diane Street 2, Valerie Mephram 3, Elizabeth Stevinson 4, Pamela Gough (cond.) 5, J. H. Payton (first in method 'inside') 6.

**STRATTON, CORNWALL.**—On July 14th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: C. Sangwin 1, Mrs. M. A. Bould 2, H. Stacey 3, E. Nunn 4, P. Wishart 5, K. R. Holtom 6, C. Bishop 7, D. R. Bould (cond.) 8. Rung to welcome visitors 5, 6, 7.

**TIMSBURY, SOMERSET.**—On July 2nd, 1,272 Combined Kent and Oxford Treble Bob Minor: M. Heymann 1, A. Perry 2, Rosemary Smith 3, R. Smith 4, P. N. Bond 5, M. Horseman (cond.) 6. First by all except 5th.

**TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.**—On July 19th, 1,260 Grandire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): Barbara Smith (13) 1, D. A. Ruri 2, I. M. Cox (13, first 'inside') 3, A. F. Lee (cond.) 4, Shirley A. Cox (13) 5, J. H. Thompson (12) 6, R. L. Coles (13) 7, P. F. Goard (15, first quarter) 8. For Evensong.

**UPPER WESTON, BATH.**—On July 25th, 1,260 Grandire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): Barbara Spuzles (first quarter) 1, A. F. Lee (cond.) 2, Jean Lee 3, K. C. Brain 4, J. Hurfurt (first 'inside') 5, N. V. Wiltshire 6, R. L. Coles 7, M. E. Wiltshire 8. Rung as a wedding compliment to Eileen Amey and Geoffrey Potheary.

**WOODCHESTER, GLOS.**—On July 7th, 1,260 Grandire Doubles: T. Pritchard 1, F. Garland 2, P. Riddford 3, V. Deane 4, T. Witts (cond.) 5, A. Howell 6. Rung to welcome the arrival of Adrian Philip to Janet Deane, wife of the ringer of the 4th.



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**WILLESBOROUGH, KENT.**—On July 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Staples 1, Miss Rita Gower 2, M. S. Lancefield 3, G. Fisher 4, W. P. Garner 5, C. T. Hillis (cond.) 6. For Morning Prayer, and as a farewell to Geoffrey Fisher, who is leaving the district.

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## HIGH FINANCE

**'ONLY** two classes of people,' said the Professor cryptically, 'ever made money out of bellringing: bellhangers and insurance companies; and of these only the former ever made enough to extract a living!'

We were talking about various aspects of ringing when the subject of payment came up. The Professor had, apparently, fairly strong views on the matter. Not that this was, in itself, surprising; his views about anything are usually fairly strong.

'Nobody should expect payment for the privilege of ringing church bells, whether the ringing be done for divine service or for non-secular purposes. In the days when people were desperately poor and the Church was comparatively rich there may have been some justification for the practice, but now the position is in many cases reversed. How often does the ringer come to church in his car while the P.C.C. struggles (like the sausage manufacturer) to make both ends meet?'

'I remember,' I said reminiscently, 'how as a youth I used to look forward to the half-yearly payments of 10 or 15 shillings which, at that time, was equal to a month or six weeks' pocket money. I used to share it with my mother and no doubt it was a welcome addition to the family budget. The ringers had devised a system of fines for non-attendance with the surplus returned to the "kitty" for a further share-out, but I was seldom penalised. I am horrified in retrospect to think that the band at one time threatened to "strike" because an absent-minded parochial treasurer didn't produce a cheque at the appointed time!'

'In the past,' said the Professor, 'when money was scarce, payment of ringers led to some rather doubtful, if not pernicious, practices. I was talking to an old ringer not long ago who told me that when he was learning to ring it was customary to demand that before a ringer was admitted as a member of the team he had to ring, **unassisted**, a 720 on an "inside" bell. The old hands, well aware that another full-time member meant a reduction in their income, took good care that their number did not grow to an inordinate size. Of course, the young aspirant was given his opportunity but it was surprising how generous everyone could be with his advice if the learner made the slightest hesitation or evinced the least sign of uncertainty.

'On the other hand if, with confidence and aplomb, he marched ahead until the end was in sight, some catastrophe

seemed unaccountably to overtake the venture. The conductor would miss the last "Bob" or the oldest and safest member of the band would get lost doing a seven-pull dodge in the last lead but one, something that had not happened before in living memory. So it was that a ringer would often have to wait several years for his full membership and was then promoted often only after one of the older members had died, or left the district, or both!'

'But surely,' I said, bringing him back to his original statements, 'if organists and choristers receive remuneration then ringers should be given similar treatment?'

'Not necessarily. The organist in larger churches and cathedrals is, in any case, a professional musician. Often he is also the choirmaster and is in charge of the choral scholars or the choir school, and his connection with the church can be regarded as part of his normal work or at least an extension of it. With the organist of the smaller or village church this is not so, but it must still be remembered that behind him are often years of training for which he has had to pay. With most younger organists the "salary" is used to assist in paying for further studies or for purchasing musical scores.'

'But the choir,' I argued, 'is more or less on the same footing as the ringers and they,' I concluded triumphantly, 'have their choir trip?'

'Well,' admitted the Professor, 'there is a closer parallel here. Nevertheless, many choristers give their services voluntarily and often the money for choir trips is raised by their giving concerts or through similar efforts. All this however, doesn't affect my original arguments. It should be a matter of personal integrity or conscience that money is not accepted for ringing!'

'What about weddings?' I demanded with some asperity. 'Surely these should be regarded as one of the legitimate perquisites of ringing?'

'Could be! Although I maintain that at least some of the money should find its way into the parochial coffers. Of course ringers should be reimbursed for loss of wages or great inconvenience, but in some towers, I know, the money thus raised is put into a fund in order to defray the cost of outings or subscriptions to ringing societies, or is allowed to accumulate to bear the cost of new ropes or the redecoration of the ringing chamber. This I think is making better use of the money than simply putting it into the ringers' pockets.'

We argued for a long time, but I came home far from convinced. What is your opinion?

H. C.



# UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY'S SUMMER TOUR



**T**HIS year's summer tour of the Society was organised from London mainly by undergraduate members and took place in the first week of July. To lessen the cost, many people camped or stayed in youth hostels, and transport was by car.

Our ringing during the week was generally of a higher standard than we achieve in London: the explanation for this is quite beyond me. Ringing at eight-bell towers usually followed the pattern of rounds, Grandsire, Stedman, Yorkshire with London, Bristol or Rutland and Spliced Surprise Major. We also attempted Spliced Surprise Minor.

The tour commenced, one hour late, on Saturday, July 4th, at Bridgnorth. We rang first at St. Mary's, where the Vicar seemed a trifle upset by the ease with which we found the 'well-hidden' belfry key. As the week went on, indeed, we became quite adept at key finding, a field of endeavour in which I feel we showed more enterprise than members of a certain other University Society. After lunch we continued ringing further along Bridgnorth's main street, first on handbells outside St. Leonard's and then on the eight bells in the tower.

Then through the countryside, pausing only for ice cream (the first of many such pauses) to Bewdley. Here we found that a thoughtful local council had provided road signs, swaying in time with the bells, just outside the church. The last tower of the day was Cleobury Mortimer (a fine Rudhall six). There followed a desperate search for an elusive camp site and an even more elusive youth hostel, where we arrived by car ten minutes after it closed: perhaps the crisps in the sleeping bag which I hired were the warden's revenge.

## LATE ARRIVALS

On the following day, Sunday, our numbers were further augmented by the long-awaited arrival of Elizabeth Birmingham, Tim Pett and Jeremy Salter. Their explanation of their lateness was that Tim's car, deciding that it did not like the look of a hill, had stopped at the foot of it and refused to budge, so that the unfortunate occupants were forced to spend the night in a field (luckily they had tents with them). After this the week was

Left to right, top: M. Layzell, R. Powell, R. Humphries, D. Phillips, Y. Edwards, D. Frost, A. Frost, T. Pett, P. Fennel. Seated: R. Dennis, S. Collins, E. Birmingham, A. Smith, M. Taylor, L. Gallini.

punctuated by encounters with Tim's car stopped in some country lane.

Ringling activities that day began with the heavy eight at Ludlow, which we rang for morning service. The remainder of the day was spent on the Welsh border. At Leintwardine we had an appreciative audience of three little girls, who stood in a garden near the church and clapped continuously. We then went on to the nice eight at New Radnor and finished a day of eights with some quite good ringing for Evensong at Clun.

## DEFEATED AT WORCESTER

Monday's ringing began with two sixes, Clifton-on-Teme and the heavy six at Powick. Personally, I was quite satisfied with just one ring on these bells but perhaps they were intended as a practice for what was to come next. There can be no doubt that Worcester Cathedral boasts beautiful bells, but I am afraid that we failed to do them justice, though in all fairness I must add that they have defeated many who have come before us. Attempts were made at Grandsire Cinques and Cambridge Royal, but the only satisfactory ringing was achieved in rounds.

We continued an interesting day's ringing at the renowned Pershore Abbey, which we found most disappointing—we were not at all scared! However, we were sorely tempted to drop pennies in the font from the ringing platform (or perhaps cage would be a better word). Our day ended with the ten at All Saints', Worcester.

On Tuesday morning an attempt was made to ring a peal of Yorkshire Major at Presteigne but this 'fired out' after one and a half hours' ringing, during which we never seemed to settle into a rhythm. Meanwhile back at Kingston the remainder of our company, having rung on the six bells there, were gorging themselves on large quantities of food while the 'peal' band had to be satisfied with (or without) sandwiches and darts.

## IN SEMI-DARKNESS

After lunch we rang at Pembridge, where the five bells are housed in a detached tower, which is a roughly conical structure reminiscent of a dovecote. Unfortunately the electricity had been turned off at the mains and we had to pick our way in semi-darkness between the beams searching for ropes. Having found them we rang rounds and Doubles methods, including St. Simon's, on what turned out to be quite a nice five. From Pembridge we went on to the excellent Taylor ring at Eardisland and then to the good ten at Leominster, where before ringing we were treated to an interesting potted history of this large church. That evening Mary Taylor arrived and we knew that peace was shattered: in no time people were playing darts and eating jellied eels, mussels and pickled onions.

On Wednesday we set out from Ludlow for the last time. Marden was found after many wrong turnings. From there we went to dodge with the beams at Hereford Cathedral, where we got through a half-course of Cambridge Royal. After an afternoon of wandering around the Cathedral and writing postcards we went on to ring on the fine new Taylor six at Clodock Church (the only church of this dedication). From here we went on to Abergavenny, our centre for the second part of the week. It proved to be a wise choice as it possessed a good fish and chip shop, where we dined every evening, and also a pub where our constant darts playing was tolerated.

## IN SOUTH WALES

Thursday was another day of eights. Mary, Pauline and I justified our presence in a youth hostel by walking all of three-quarters of a mile to the first tower, Llangattock, where we raised seven of the eight bells (including the 14 cwt. tenor) before the arrival of the rest of the company. Three industrial towns of South Wales followed: Aberdare, where there are eight nice bells and also a good Chinese restaurant; an excellent eight at Pentre; and then on to Pontypridd and Bedwellty, a bleak spot on a mountain with a ring of bells which is reputed to be the highest in Wales. Here

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## PUBLICITY FOR LADIES' GUILD ANNUAL

EACH year there seems some special feature at our annual general meeting. This year the keynote seemed to be publicity. There were small paragraphs in the national daily papers informing readers we should be meeting at Macclesfield; there was a reporter waiting at the Parish Church to greet us; a photographer from the local press (we never did see eye to eye about the best pose—should we pretend to ring and so have our faces hidden by ropes and arms, or should we appear in our full beauty and bear with stoicism the ribald remarks of other ringers?); and then the highlight, the representative of the B.B.C., who recorded our ringing and had an interview with Madam President. Those who were up in time to hear the first edition of 'Today' on the following Monday morning reported that our part of the programme came over well, but our apologies to Mrs. Hairs for adding a couple of years to her real age. Possibly it was because some of us seemed to cram a couple of years' experience into that week-end!

Once again ringers travelled long distances to be present, including a contingent from

London on the overnight coach, our faithful family of campers from Somerset, and a coach party of members and 'supporters' from the Eastern District. With eleven towers open during the day there was ample scope for those who like variety, and full advantage was taken of the time allotted to each.

The service was held at St. Michael's, conducted by the Archdeacon of Macclesfield, the Ven. T. Clarke, who welcomed the Ladies' Guild to Macclesfield and in his address gave a most informative and interesting brief history of the church. After the service he honoured the Guild with his presence at tea, when we were also delighted to have with us Mr. John Worth, and the Secretary of the Macclesfield Branch of the Chester Diocesan Guild, Mr. H. C. Lonyon.

After a wonderful tea, organised by Mrs. H. L. Horn, secretary of the North Western District of the Ladies' Guild, and her members, Mrs. O. Barnett expressed the very grateful thanks of the Guild to all those who had helped to make the meeting such a success, the Archdeacon, the organist and his assistant, the incumbents of the various churches, and the members of the North Western District.

After the men had been sent off to ring, the real business of the day began, with the minutes of the meeting last year being read, confirmed and signed. The members stood for a moment in memory of the Hon. Barbara Gibbs, O.B.E., a member of the Central District, who had died since the last annual general meeting.

No new members were elected, these elections usually taken place at the District meetings, but the Guild expressed their appreciation of the work of Miss I. Thompson, of the Midland District, by electing her to Honorary Life Membership. Miss Thompson has been a member of the Guild for over fifty years and for some years was Vice-President of the Midland District.

The treasurer gave the welcome news that our income had exceeded our expenditure during 1963, and this in spite of the fact that we had issued a report, which usually means a deficit. A special word of thanks was accorded the Central District, who had collected twice as much as any other District in subscriptions.

The Central District, through their Vice-President (Mrs. K. Lock), proposed an amendment to the rules, that any member who wished to do so could pay two guineas for life membership. After some discussion this was agreed, so any member reading this who finds it a bother to remember to pay 2s. a year can now send in two guineas and have no further worries about subscription.

The Sussex District proposed the venue for the 1965 annual general meeting should be Eastbourne, and it was agreed it should be held on the first Saturday in July.

Mrs. Oatway reminded members that the President's daughter was being married the following Saturday and expressed the good wishes of the Guild for her happiness in the future.

After the meeting the members, still armed with sketch maps kindly provided by Mr. Horn, dispersed to fit in as much ringing as possible during the evening. D.C.

### LINCOLN RINGER'S FALL

It was originally intended to attempt a peal of Stedman Cinques at Holy Trinity, Hull, on July 25th, but Mr. J. L. Millhouse, the conductor, had to be confined to bed with catarrh. On the way to the church Mr. Joyce M. Gurnhill fell and fractured a small bone in her foot. With Peter A. Sharpe she spent most of the peal time listening from the infirmary, whilst receiving treatment. She is recovering nicely now.

## DOUBLE NORWICH RECORD

Though little can be added by way of an 'Umpire's Report' to what has already been said of the peal of 20,160 Double Norwich Court Bob Major at Llanfeigan by its conductor, I would like to add a few words 'from the outside.'

The weather was perhaps ideal for long peal ringing, being cool, overcast and somewhat breezy with intermittent precipitation.

A number of people came up during the day to listen to the ringing—all of them passing favourable comments on its quality, and most expressing horror at the idea of the band (and me) starving all day. Among the visitors were several ringers from the surrounding district, including Jack Pryor from Cardiff (who taught Bob and Frank to ring), Lord Brecon and the Vicar of Llanfeigan, to whom I owe grateful thanks for the lunchtime snack he so kindly provided.

The Press phoned the pub down the road every two hours and inquired as to the state of the proceedings 'up the hill.'

The old record was passed at about 5.30 p.m.—after 9½ hours' ringing, which continued until the end of the 10th part where the omission of the shunt at six allowed the bells to run round at 20,160 changes.

It is interesting to note that the arrangement of the composition used on this occasion produced alternative 56's and 65's at the 'part-ends' and this, coupled with the fact that adding such shunts put one back in the peal, made it very nearly impossible to shorten save in two places—an indication perhaps of the conductor's intention not to ring a shorter peal? This is unlike the arrangement used for the 18-, 32- and 40,000's of Plain Bob, in which 'the end' could be brought up from any position in a very few courses.

GILES B. THOMPSON.

**CORRECTION.**—There was an error in the order of names given in the caption of the band who rang this peal: David J. Llewellyn is third from the right and Robert B. Smith extreme right.

## WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH

### Portsmouth District

The second quarterly meeting of the year was held at St. Peter's, Curridge, on July 25th. The Rev. A. Turner (Vicar) conducted the service.

At the business meeting the following were elected to compounding membership: Michael Wake and Anne Smith (Feltham), Andrew Stevens (Chichester). The next quarterly meeting will be on October 24th, the towers selected being Swanmore and Bishop's Waltham (alternative). A practice meeting will be held on September 19th from 6 till 9 p.m.

L. D. D

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## Letters to the Editor

### High Hoyland Bells

Dear Sir,—We would like to draw attention to an article which appeared in the 'Huddersfield Weekly Examiner' of July 4th. The newspaper speaks with reference to the bells of High Hoyland Church, All Hallows', as follows:

'The 219-year-old bells, and what to do about them, will be on the agenda at a Clayton West and High Hoyland parish meeting, and will also be considered by the Church Council next month.'

The Rector, the Rev. E. A. Crowe, comments: 'The bells have been recognised as being dangerous for a long time, but nothing has been done about them. Now some action will have to be taken, but we don't know what to do. The principal alternatives seem to be either to take the bells down or put steel girders across the tower to stop the bells falling.'

'We have been told that it would be more expensive to take down the bells, one of which weighs about a ton,' said Mr. Crowe. 'It would apparently be cheaper to put in the girders, but even this would cost hundreds of pounds.'

On consulting 'Dove's Guide' we find listed: 'Hoyland, High, W. Yorks, 6, 8 cwt.—Unringable.'

Having read the Central Council Truro meeting report, in which advice to churches on bells is mentioned as being in increased demand, we feel that some advice here would be welcomed, even if only on the removal and disposal of the bells. Surely the value of the bells to some other church, or to the bell foundries, would cover the cost of lowering the bells.—Yours faithfully,

PAUL EBSWORTH,  
LAURENCE TEBB,

S.S. 'British Sailor' at Sidon.

### Stravinsky and Bells

Dear Sir,—Recently, while browsing through a book, 'Private lives of the great composers', I came across this quotation by Igor Stravinsky.

He was driving through London with a friend and stopped the car as he was passing St. Paul's Cathedral while the bells were ringing. He said: 'This is the only ideal way to make music. A man pulls a rope, and far away at the opposite end a sound is born, entirely independent of the man's doing. The way he pulls does not make any difference to the bells, he cannot make them ring softer, louder, slower, quicker. The music is not his: it belongs to the bells. He pulls the rope and the bells sound forth...'

An interesting summary of bells as musical instruments from one of the greatest musicians of the age.—Yours faithfully,

RICHARD E. PRICE.

Thrybergh, Yorks.

### A Protest

Dear Sir,—Having just sat outside Cirencester Parish Church and listened to a visiting band ringing, I felt I must protest against tour organisers who pick towers their band cannot handle.

It was obvious to me, as I listened, that the visiting band could not handle this tower's bells. The striking was awful, the rhythm non-existent. Why, why, I ask myself, do people who organise outings let themselves, their bands and the Exercise down so badly? —Yours faithfully,

GORDON W. LAND.

Lechlade-on-Thames, Glos.

### 'Latchet' Stays

Dear Sir,—Mr. N. J. Davies' letter in the issue of July 31st is worthy of some comment.

Mr. Davies will find it unnecessary to 'substantiate' my 'somewhat paradoxical comment' that the bells at Westwell are 'in good order' because I made no such comment. I simply said that the bells were well looked after, which is correct; the belfry is in fact a good deal cleaner than many towers where the bells can still be rung.

I regret the error I made about the above tower, and also about the treble bell at St. Alphege, Canterbury. Unfortunately there is no indication at all in the belfry that the treble is an 18th century bell which Goslin adopted. Mr. Davies' comment about the bad tone of Goslin's bells is certainly justified. A well-known Canterbury ringer was heard to remark about one of his bells 'It sounds like a cannon going off.'

Mr. Davies may not find yet another dead snake in Godmersham belfry but he will find latchet stays (this is the correct term). He will also find them on the now unringable six at Elmsted, which both he and I omitted from our lists. At one time there was quite a bit of ringing done at the latter tower. Are there any older ringers who have rung there? —Yours sincerely, DAVID L. CAWLEY.

The London Hospital.

P.S.—I am informed that latchet stays are still fitted in towers where space is confined.—

D. L. C.

### Eryri Major

Dear Sir—I think Eryri Major is rather a pleasant method, but as far as I know there is only one composition available at present:

5,136 by H. G. CASHMORE.			
234567	B	W	H
235764	In		—
536247	4ths	X	5ths
53246	X		—
53462	X		—
23564	X		—
43265	X	—	
43652	X		—
43526	X		—
63425	X		—
63254	X		—
63542	X		—
23645	X	—	
23456	X		—

I should like to ask, through the medium of the 'R.W.', whether any of our composers can produce some further compositions.

Incidentally, having rung the above last year, I think an improvement could be made if it is possible to insert more courses like the first two, which are rather musical, and to have only the 4, 5 and 6 in sixths.

The optimum qualities of the above would no doubt be realised by ringing it as initially conducted by the composer in 1935; commencing with the last bob to give only 4, 5, 6 and 3 in sixths.—Yours faithfully,

D. MOTTERSHEAD

### Holt's Original and an Umpire

Dear Sir,—I was interested in the non-conducted peal of Holt's Original, rung at Harrow Weald on July 16th last, and I should like to congratulate the band.

I am surprised to see the peal published without an 'umpire,' and assume there is some explanation for this.—Yours sincerely,

Brenchley, Kent.

T. E. SONE.

### Ernest Morris Memorial Window

Dear Sir,—The reason for the long delay in placing the Ernest Morris Memorial Window in St. Margaret's Church, Leicester, is the difficulty in getting a suitable design.

The first design received was rejected by the Council for the Care of Churches, another design was obtained from the same artist, and the P.C.C. decided to get a second artist also to submit a design in the hope that one or the other would be accepted.

A meeting was held a month ago with this artist, who has promised to get to work on it immediately but, as he says, these things do take time, and agrees with us that the window should be worthy of the man.

The fund now stands at over £400 from all sources, which we hope and believe will be sufficient for the work.

I will keep 'Ringing World' readers informed on progress and hope they will be as patient as we are trying to be.—Yours sincerely,

GORDON A. OLLIFFE.

Braunstone, Leicester.

### Bells of Smethwick Old Church Sold

Dear Sir,—Older ringers of the Black Country will be interested to hear, with mixed feelings, that the bells of Smethwick Old Church were sold, except for the treble, towards the end of 1963. They were cast in 1897 by Charles Carr of Smethwick, but were replaced with another ring in 1899.

The inscription on the treble reads: 'Peal of 8 bells erected to commemorate 60 years' reign of Queen Victoria by Public Subscription.' Let us hope the dear old lady wasn't extravagant.

By a twist of fate the business of Charles Carr has also been sold, the site being required for new development by the local authority.

Another bell in the tower, cast in 1732 by Joseph Smith of Edgbaston, has also been retained.—Yours faithfully,

SIDNEY O. HOLLOWAY.

Smethwick.

### NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Northern Branch

Honingham was the venue for the quarterly meeting of the Northern Branch on July 18th. The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. A. Hodgson), who also played the organ.

At the business meeting the chairman (Mr. G. Sayer) spoke of the loss of Miss Christine Golden, at the age of 18, who had always been bright and cheerful and very popular. On behalf of the meeting he expressed sympathy with her parents and sister Hilary. Mrs. Loft, of Hethersett, had also passed away at the age 87; she was the mother of Raymond, and, although not herself a ringer, had always gone out of her way to make ringers welcome when visiting Hethersett. Members stood in silence as a tribute to their memory.

Alan and James Hinchcliffe, of Honingham, were elected ringing members.

The chairman expressed thanks to the Vicar, to Mr. and Mrs. B. Willgress, the two Mesdames Hinchcliffe, Mrs. Hohl for arrangements and serving tea, also to James Hinchcliffe for blowing the organ.

Ringing was at Mattishall after the meeting.

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## HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The July meeting of the St. Albans District was held on a glorious (though not for ringing) day at Kimpton. It was quite a relief to go into the cool church for the service, at which the Vicar, the Rev. K. Martin, gave an inspiring address. Robert Hardy from the Watford District was the organist. Tea was served in the Memorial Hall by the local ringers' wives.

The Vicar was in the chair for the business meeting, at which it was agreed to accept the Northern District suggestion that King's Walden and St. Paul's, Walden, be transferred to the St. Albans District, subject to the local ringers' approval. C. Hewitt and D. Keen, of Harpenden, were elected probationary members, and N. Perrins, of St. Stephen's, St. Albans, and Anna Mary Johnston, of Wheathampstead, were raised to the status of ringing members.

Next meeting: August 15th at Welwyn.  
J. D. C.

## BALDOCK OUTING

The Baldock ringers and their friends enjoyed a tour of bells in three counties on June 20th. Despite heavy traffic on the Great North Road, Grantham's lovely ten were reached early. These bells have tone and blend, but some little distance away they are almost inaudible. The rain fell, but weather improved later, and we went on to the pleasant heavy eight at Bottesford, lunch and time for exploration or shopping in Nottingham before ringing at St. Peter's. The other ten were not available because of a music festival, but we were pleased with these, even if one or two bells were rather odd-struck. Some listeners in the crowd outside were most disappointed that there was no bride to see!

Next was Basford, pronounced Base-ford (a 14½ cwt. octave that sounds much heavier than this). Back to tea at the Ashbourne Cafe, and then to Radcliffe-on-Trent. The top of the tower here is most unusual, being a tiled saddleback. The last tower of the day was also unusual in its architecture, for Colston-Bassett's tower is on the N.E. side of the church, and for a comparatively short tower it has quite a complicated route past the chancel, round the organ and up steep steps to the ringing chamber.

Our thanks to Mr. E. G. Buck for a most successful day's outing, and to those who allowed us to ring.  
J. S.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

## Dorchester Branch

The summer quarterly meeting was held on July 14th, at Wool, where the last meeting was held in 1957. The Guild service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. F. C. Whitter, and tea, generously given by the churchwardens and P.C.C., was served in the Village Hall by the ladies of the church to a company of 35 members.

The meeting was conducted by the Branch Chairman, Rev. C. E. C. Brinkworth. New members were elected as follows:— R. Pearce, P. Lathan, D. Cunard, J. Lloyd (Hilton/Milton Abbey), A. Brown, E. Brown, R. Burr, V. Baker, K. Burt and L. Dodge (Wool).

Branch practices were arranged as follows, subject to confirmation:— August 8th Charnminster, August 22nd Maiden Newton, September 5th Litton Cheney, September 19th Frampton.

Next meeting, Wyke Regis, October 3rd

## A COLLECTION OF DOUBLES METHODS

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## PART C

(Continued from page 515)

Method	Plain Course	Single	Bob	Notes
St. Simon	St. Simon	Plain Bob	Old Doubles S.	
Cassington	St. Simon	P.L. All Saints	Grandsire	Three callings: 3, 4, 5, as obs. bell
Elford	St. Simon			
Eynsham	St. Simon			
St. Alban	St. Simon	Rev. Cant.	Antelope (3)	No 2nd bell obs.
St. Jude	St. Simon	Old Doubles S.	Half-leads of Original Grandsire Ex.	Call S-B-S-P or P-S-B-S
St. Matthew	St. Simon			
Somerville	St. Simon	Plain Bob	Grandsire Ex.	
St. Martin	St. Martin	P.L. All Saints	Antelope (3)	No 2nd bell obs.
Austrey	St. Martin		Grandsire	
Magdalen	St. Martin		Half-lead of Original	S-B-S-P twice repeated, or P-S-B-S
St. Laurence	St. Martin			
St. Leonard	St. Martin	Old Doubles S.	Antelope S.	No 2nd bell obs.
St. Mark	St. Martin	Rev. Cant.	Half-leads of Original Old Doubles S.	Cam S-B-S-P or P-S-B-S
St. Paul	St. Martin	Rev. Cant.	Old Doubles S.	
St. Peter	St. Martin			
St. Nicholas	St. Nicholas	Rev. Cant.	Grandsire	
Lapley	St. Nicholas		Grandsire Ex.	
Nuffield	St. Nicholas	Plain Bob	Antelope S.	No 2nd bell obs.
St. Giles	St. Nicholas	Old Doubles S.	Half-leads of Original Old Doubles S.	Call P-S-B-S or S-B-S-P x 3
St. Mary	St. Nicholas			
St. Silvester	St. Nicholas			
St. Thomas	St. Nicholas	P.L. All Saints	Antelope	No 2nd as obs. bell
Shareshill	St. Nicholas	Rev. Cant.	Half-leads of Original Grandsire	Call P-S-B-S or S-B-S-P x 3
Winchendon Place	Winchendon		Old Doubles S.	
Ryton	Winchendon	P.L. All Saints	Grandsire Ex.	
St. Crispin	Winchendon			
St. George	Winchendon	Old Doubles S.	Antelope	No 2nd as obs. bell
St. John	Winchendon		Half-leads of Original Grandsire	Call P-S-B-S or S-B-S-P x 3
St. Luke	Winchendon	Plain Bob	Old Doubles S.	
St. Miles	Winchendon			
Wadham	Winchendon	Plain Bob	Grandsire Ex.	
St. Osmond	St. Osmond	Rev. Cant.	Half-leads of Original Antelope	
St. Ambrose	St. Osmond	Old Doubles S.	Grandsire	
St. Anthony	St. Osmond		Old Doubles S.	
St. Austell	St. Osmond	Rev. Cant.	Grandsire Ex.	
St. Ninian	St. Osmond	Plain Bob	Grandsire	
St. Patrick	St. Osmond		Antelope	
St. Werburgh	St. Osmond		Old Doubles S.	
St. Remigius Church	St. Remigius	Rev. Cant.	Grandsire Ex.	
Gresley	St. Remigius	Plain Bob	Grandsire	
Horsley	St. Remigius		Antelope	
St. Cecelia	St. Remigius		Old Doubles S.	
St. Chrysostum	St. Remigius		Grandsire Ex.	
St. Richard	Shipway's Place	Own bob. See Diary or Collection	Grandsire	
Shipway's Place	Shipway's Place	Rev. Cant.	Grandsire Ex.	
Longford	Shipway's		Old Doubles S.	
St. Alkmund	Shipway's	P.L. All Saints	Antelope	No 2nd bell obs.
St. Barnabas	Shipway's		Old Doubles S.	2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th bells could be obs. bells
St. Boniface	Shipway's			No 2nd bell obs.
St. Denys	Shipway's	P.L. Shipway's Place	Antelope	No 2nd bell obs.
Pleasley	Antelope S.	P.L. Plain Bob	Old Doubles S.	No 2nd bell obs.
St. Guthlac	Antelope S.	P.L. Rev. Cant.	London Ex.	No 2nd bell obs.
St. James	Antelope S.		Grandsire Ex.	No 2nd bell obs.
St. Matthias	Antelope S.			
St. Philip	Antelope S.			
St. Perpetua	Antelope S.			
St. Polycarp	Antelope S.			
All Saints	All Saints	P.L. Rev. Cant.	Old Doubles S.	
Marchington	All Saints			
Rushall	All Saints	P.L. Plain Bob	London Ex. (3)	
St. Bede	All Saints		Grandsire Ex.	
St. Hilda	All Saints			

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## OUTINGS

## M.U.G.S. IN DERBYSHIRE

At 8.30 a.m. on June 13th, bleary-eyed members of the Manchester University Guild met for the now annual day's outing after exams. There were a few doubtful looks at the weather, but the gods were to be on our side. After a few navigational errors, All Saints', Glossop, was reached, with eight which needed a bit of striking. We were pleased to be joined in the ringing by the Vicar. At Hayfield (8), we were joined by Ian Maycock and his fiancée, Ann, and the lazier members of the Guild. The local organist, although drowned out, was quite friendly and told us a lot of local history.

Castleton (8), with its multi-coloured sallies, was our next stopping place and a quite disastrous one. In the second touch, one of the girls broke a stay and a second ringer stepping back to avoid the flying rope knocked a vase of flowers over. Having got this sorted out, ringing recommenced, but within seconds there was another clanging crash. On investigation, we found the tenor clapper had dropped out. Deciding we had wrought enough havoc, we lowered the bells and departed hastily to have some lunch.

In the afternoon, we had a break from ringing and the party, except for two who got lost in Castleton, went down the Speedwell Cavern. This is a flooded lead mine and we had a very interesting tour, transported by boat which was propelled by a man walking on the roof of the mine. The mine passages led into a natural cavern which we were told was the deepest accessible cavern in the country. The water going through this cavern went into 'the bottomless pit,' an underground lake estimated at one time to be over 500 feet deep.

When we had reacquainted ourselves to the light of day, we drove to Darley Dale, where a good course of Bristol was rung. We were welcomed at St. Helen's by the Rector, the Rev. St. John Smith.

The cars now made their way to our last tower, St. Peter's, Fairfield, Buxton. However, before ringing, there was another very important item on the agenda, a Chinese 'nosh,' and 16 hungry ringers packed into 'The Mandarin' Chinese Restaurant.

Eventually the Guild got itself to St. Peter's and were welcomed by the tower captain and his wife who joined us in some ringing. The highlight here was a touch of six Spliced Surprise which mistakingly went on for twice as long as it should. The journey back to Manchester was broken at 'The Cat and Fiddle,' a pub situated right on the top of the hills between Buxton and Macclesfield.

The outing, I think, was one of the most successful the Guild has had. It was helped by reasonable weather, marvellous scenery and a fair standard of ringing. I would like to thank all incumbents for allowing us to ring.

D. J. B.

## COWBRIDGE, GLAMORGAN

A party of 25, of whom 18 were local ringers from town or school, left Cowbridge in a chartered bus on July 11th for a trip to West Wales.

Our first tower was Sketty, Swansea, where the pleasant eight (134 cwt.) went well to Grandshire Triples. We then proceeded to Carmarthen where, after an excellent lunch and a further wait of half an hour we were admitted to the tower of St. Peter's. The somewhat rough eight (154 cwt.) which (alas) are not rung regularly nowadays, were raised and Triples was tried with scant success. However, Plain Bob Minor came round on the back six.

The day's best ringing came on the delightful six (114 cwt.) at Llandeilo, where the enormous clock-pendulum in the middle of the ringing circle is not such a hindrance to rope-sight as one might think. Grandshire, Stedman, Plain Bob Doubles and Plain Bob Minor went nicely here. Our thanks go to the incumbents and those who welcomed us at the towers where we rang; and especially to Mr. Bert Thomas, who made the arrangements.

I. D.

## THE YATES TOUR OF NORTH DEVON



Taken at Huish Episcopi.—Reading left to right. Top: A. A. Paul, B. E. Saunders, T. E. Roberts, W. A. Yates, W. J. Chester, F. C. Case, C. E. Truman. Middle: G. C. Paul, J. Linnell, R. A. Vickers, C. C. Clarke, R. H. Rogers. Bottom: Margaret A. Wilson, D. Burbidge, R. W. Smith, G. E. Green, Janet I. Porter.

ON July 16th, 17 ringers mainly from South Northants travelled to Mere, Wiltshire, for the annual tour arranged by Mr. W. A. Yates. It was a pleasant ride down and we made a slight detour to see Stonehenge.

All the towers were octaves, deep in the heart of call-change and competition ringing country, so we were especially conscious of the raise and lower in peal, and the opening musical touch of Stedman before venturing to 'turn the tenor in'.

Friday dawned glorious sunshine and at 9.30 a.m. Mere's 23 cwt. ring were spiralling upwards with great precision. Stedman, good Yorkshire, indifferent Cambridge and London were rung before the fine ride to Gillett's excellent-toned ring at Wincanton, which are similar to our own Wicken. The Vicar said a short prayer before a good raise and some Stedman. Bristol went well, and fast Yorkshire, but four-spliced 'wouldn't go'.

A long ride brought us to the similar ring at Huish Episcopi for rhythmic Yorkshire to echo from the tall rusty coloured tower, and unfortunately for Superlative to pile up. The Vicar met us at Curry Rivel, our first tower after a sumptuous lunch. The 'go' was good for fair Stedman, scintillating Superlative and choppy Double Norwich on the 18 cwt. ring.

## EERIE BELLS

Journeying via Taunton brought us to Wiveliscombe, where the bells are peculiarly out of tune. The treble and tenor were added in 1829 to the rest, which were cast in 1750. The tenor is a maiden bell and the treble is very flat. Mears, we understand, are to retune them shortly. Stedman was rung, and patchy London was made up for by a good course of Yorkshire. It was almost eerie to hear a well-struck touch of Double Norwich which Mr. Young, who met us, rang in. We all admired his lovely garden with a trout stream running through it.

From Somerset into Devon at last, and after tea South Molton proved to be the best ring of the day and, as was later agreed, the tour. Superb Stedman on the fabulous 25 cwt. ring preceded six-spliced with a rich heat, excellent Yorkshire, and Bristol which improved as it went on. A Yates inspired touch of Grandshire for the benefit of our call-change hosts pleased the locals very much, and we reluctantly finished the hour's ringing at 9 p.m. to journey to our hotel in Barnstaple.

## A LOVELY SETTING

Saturday again was fine, though not hot, and after a little difficulty we found the 14th century church at Tawstock, nestled on the side of a hill at the end of a narrow, twisting lane. The 17 cwt. ring sounded better outside than in, the belfry, which was reached by an outside turret, a walk along a wooden gantry and a six foot ladder both overhanging the

church. Stedman went well and Bristol far outshone Yorkshire. Four-spliced ended the ringing here, and so through Bideford with its picturesque tidal harbour, to Northam (14 cwt.) —Chris' 1,200th tower. London went better here; Cambridge and three leads of Grandshire were rung before an early finish to get back to the lovely 17 cwt. ring at Bideford for good Yorkshire and Rutland.

Lunch and shopping completed, we left for Great Torrington, a church with a spire instead of the typical West Country massive tower, where the clanking about in London couldn't have done our reputation much good. There were even mistakes in Bristol, and it took Superlative to show these bells at their best before a noon lower by our standards.

David, armed with an Ordnance Survey map, aptly proved that the shortest journey to Chulmleigh wasn't the quickest — Jim and Charles declared their cars had never seen such narrow, steep hills! A thatcher met us here, where the 22 cwt. ring, done up by Taylors in 1957, hang in a dark, solid tower. (The bells were cast by Gillett and Johnston, 1924; and Evans of Chepstow, 1718.) They are slow-turning 'men's bells' —not for tired men pulling on very long ropes.

## BEST SCIENTIFIC TEAM

Tea followed, then a look at local thatching skill and an early arrival at Witheridge for liquid refreshment. There were long ropes here again, but the raise in peal was good, and Stedman on the 24 cwt. ring was excellent. Several locals just back from competition ringing said our first touch was 'a pretty peal.' London was good and Bristol even better. Another touch of Stedman was first-class and we were acclaimed 'the best scientific team that's been here for a long time.'

And so through the drizzle to Chittlehampton, our last scheduled tower. The course of Yorkshire here contained some of the best Surprise ringing of the tour. A 317 of six-spliced Surprise went well and a decent fall ended our ring on these rhythmic bells.

A grab for Sunday morning ringing at St. Brannock's, Braunton (a handy 16 cwt.) was our last ring. The Vicar gave us an enthusiastic welcome and the locals kindly gave up their ringing to us. A bobbed course of Stedman, Double Norwich and half a course of Cambridge ended yet another tour—except for a 200-mile journey home!

The ringing was always good, but seldom perfect. The long ropes the call-change ringers seem to cherish had a degrading effect on our striking. They liked our Triples and tolerated our Major and handstroke leads. We thank them for meeting us and allowing us to ring their fine bells our scientific way; and also Bill Yates for arranging it all so well.

R. H. R.



## DEVONSHIRE GUILD'S ANNUAL MEETING

THE annual meeting of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers was held at Exeter on June 20th. It was notable for two events, the dedication of a memorial tablet to a former president, and the retirement of a devoted honorary secretary.

The memorial tablet to the late Prebendary E. V. Cox in the ringing chamber of the Cathedral was dedicated by the Dean of Exeter. It takes its place below that to another great name in the Guild's history, the Rev. Maitland Kelly, and records briefly Prebendary Cox's twenty-eight years as president. 'The gift of members of the Guild as an expression of affection and gratitude' will convey to succeeding generations of ringers something of the place which Prebendary Cox held among the ringers of Devonshire.

One unwilling absentee from the ceremony was Mr. Maurice Atkins, honorary secretary of the Guild, kept at home by the ill health which also compelled him to decline re-election. The Guild can have had no more faithful officer. His competence was matched by his enthusiasm, and every detail of the Guild's affairs was his care. It was a satisfaction to him to be able to hand over a 'going concern' to Mr. D. J. Roberts, the secretary of the Mid-Devon Branch. The President made reference to his devoted service to the Guild, and the meeting elected him a vice-president.

At the service in St. Mark's Church the preacher was the Bishop of Plymouth, the Rt. Rev. W. G. Sanderson. Once again the Guild had a warm welcome from the Vicar and ringers of St. Mark's, and the ladies of the parish provided an excellent tea. The bells of the Cathedral and of the city churches were open to visitors. The committee's recommendation that the following year's annual meeting should be at Plymouth was for the second year in succession rejected by the meeting, which voted for Exeter again.

## GORDON W. LAND'S FIRST CENTURY

Mr. Gordon W. Land, of Lechlade-on-Thames, Glos., has just completed his first 100 peals. These have been rung in 48 towers, 3 houses, 2 vestries and one Children's Corner and with 74 ringers for six associations. Details are as follows:

### TOWER BELLS

**Doubles.**—5 to 11 methods, 4 (conducted 3); 64, 1.

**Minor.**—Plain Bob, 2 (1); 5 to 9 methods, 6 (3); 27 and 50 Treble Bob, 1 each; 7 to 45 Surprise, 7; Cambridge Surprise, 1.

**Triples.**—Plain Bob, 1.

**Plain Major.**—Plain Bob, 2 (2); Gainsborough Little Bob, 1.

**Surprise Major.**—Yorkshire, 5 (1); Aldenham, 2; Rutland, 2. One each of: Southwell, Warwickshire, Ventnor, Bottesford, Painswick, Vancouver, Superlative, Hinton, Belgrave, Ipswich, Melbourne, Crediton, Ospringe, Johannesburg, Lincolnshire, Belvedere, Vermont, Aspenden (C), Cambridge. Spliced Surprise Major, 2 to 5 methods, 6.

**Surprise Royal.**—Yorkshire, 3; Winchester, 1; Boston, 1; Spliced Surprise Royal, 2 methods, 1. Total 66 (conducted 11).

### HANDBELLS

**Minor.**—Plain Bob, 2; 2 to 7 methods, 5; 52 and 63, 1 each; 7 to 18 Treble Bob, 6; 29 Treble Bob, 2; 27, 39, 48, 50, 60, 64 Treble Bob, 1 each; 6, 10, 14 Surprise, 1 each; one peal each of: Sandal Treble Bob, College Bob IV Delight, Braintree Delight, Netherseale Surprise, Cambridge Surprise; 2 peals of Oxford Treble Bob, 14 Surprise Minor methods (10,080 changes), 1. Total 34. Grand total 100 (conducted 11).

**HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.**—On July 19th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): D. A. Shaw 1, D. Slater 2, A. M. Humphrey 3, S. W. Brown 4, H. W. Brown (cond.) 5, N. J. Wright 6. First in five methods 1, 3 and 6. Run to welcome Stuart Lawrence, born on July 13th, son of Joan and Harry Brown.

## MORE BELFRY GOSSIP

A recent practice at Leicester Cathedral was recorded for the B.B.C. Stedman Cinques and Surprise Maximus were rung and some of the ringers were interviewed by Kay Webb. It is hoped that this recording will appear in 'Woman's Hour' on Friday, August 14th, between 2 and 3 p.m.

During the refreshments that followed an excellent meal of New Cambridge Surprise Royal at Swindon on July 25th, Mr. Walter Judge made the younger generation sit up when he disclosed that when his band of spliced experts were practising, changes of method were called at the half-lead! Has any composition been evolved using this system? asks the conductor. There were congratulations to Shirley Little on the way she rang her first peal on 10.

A wide circle of English friends will join resident members of the Irish Association in congratulating Mr. William H. Wilson, president of the St. Patrick's Cathedral Society, and Mrs. Wilson on their golden wedding anniversary on July 20th. He has been a member of the Cathedral Society since 1907 and rang regularly until a year ago when as a result of an illness he was forbidden the long climb to the ringing chamber. Both Mr. and Mrs. Wilson are enjoying good health and activity. A congratulatory greeting was rung on St. Patrick's bells on July 19th.

The farewell quarter-peal to Mr. Harry E. Good on July 26th was rung with the sincere good wishes of his fellow-ringers at Ewell, Surrey, on his departure for South Milford, Yorkshire, where his daughter resides. Coming from Charing, Kent, where he was one of a family of ringers, Harry Good has been attached to various towers for 55 years, twenty-nine of them at Ewell, where he will be greatly missed. His nearest bells will now be at Sherburn-in-Elmet, where he hopes to continue his ringing career.

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His many friends will be pleased to learn that there is considerable hope that Mr. George Cross, now living at Chardstock, near Axminster, will regain all his faculties after his paralytic seizure of about six years ago. His wife gives him untiring care and can now take him for little outings in their car, writes Canon C. Carew Cox, who visited them recently.

Friends of Wells Cathedral have voted the sum of £1,000 for the renovation of the Cathedral bells.

Who was the St. Albans District ringer who rang Sherborne Abbey tenor with one hand and held his trousers up with the other?

During the First World War ringers in America were unable to receive their 'Ringing Worlds.' Reason? The local censors thought that all those figures must contain a code!

Who is the youngest ringer to take part in a multi-method peal? Stephen Hall and Michael Roberts, of Shepshead, both aged 12, rang 'inside' bells to a peal of 31 doubles methods at Heather, Leicestershire, recently.

A correspondent points out that the 'Cat and Fiddle' is not the highest inn in England. If the Eastern District of the Ladies' Guild travel to the head of the Arkengarthdale, Yorks, they will find there the 'Tan Hill' Inn, which, at 1,732 feet, is some 42 feet higher.

A peal of Yorkshire at Clare which came round after 3 hours eight minutes was found to be two courses short. It will have to be 'third time lucky' for the conductor, Mr. George E. Thoday, who has now conducted the method there for six and a half hours without success.

A successful peal week was held in the South Bucks area recently, with eight peals scored out of nine attempts. The one which was lost was an attempt at Hitcham on the Friday morning, where Hitcham Delight wouldn't seem to go. Sale of zinc oxide plaster must have been at a peak towards the end of the week.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

Four visitors from Surrey and Essex combined with two local ringers to ring a quarter peal for the wedding anniversary of the popular Ringing Master of the St. David's Guild and his wife. It is good to notice that the Rector of St. Florence is one of the first local ringers to score a quarter on this new six, together with Mr. M. E. Lewis, tower captain. Ringers on holiday in this lovely county of Pembroke will not find many bells but will find a really warm welcome.

The Campingologists' peal tour, 1964, is in Derbyshire, starting August 15th.

St. Peter's, Nottingham, ringers, while on a visit to Bedfordshire, saw a horse tied up in the churchyard with two bell ropes (complete with sallies). This is an eight-bell tower but only six bells were being rung for the wedding. 'Now we know why they are only ringing six,' commented one of the visitors as he glanced at the grazing horse.

Gardening and ringing often go together. Mr. Stuart Bonnett, last year's president of the Herts County Association, has a write-up in 'The Citizen,' Letchworth, under the heading 'Garden "Paradise" for only £2.' The picture of the back garden of 6, Chiltern View, Letchworth, is most attractive, but then Mr. Bonnett has been a keen gardener for more than 40 years.

An example of Christian unity comes from Buckfast Abbey. The Lord Abbot has agreed to the request of the Devon Guild to hold their service in connection with the ringing meeting at Buckfast in the Abbey on September 19th.

Miss Janice Morris, 19-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morris, of Burghill, Herefordshire, will be leaving London Airport on August 25th to take a situation as nannie to a family of four young children at Montclair, New Jersey, U.S.A. At present she is a staff nurse at Droitwich Children's Residential Nursery. During her school days Janice was a Girl Guide, a member of the church choir and a bellringer.

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## CHESTERFIELD AND DISTRICT PEAL WEEK

ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

DRONFIELD, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15½ cwt.

Leonard Goodall .. .. Treble	Richard J. Farnsworth .. 5
*Jeffrey Singleton .. .. 2	Richard A. Shekelton .. 6
†Eileen J. Osborne .. .. 3	Ian M. Holland .. .. 7
Christopher J. Hughes .. 4	*Geoffrey N. Goodall .. Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN. Conducted by GEOFFREY N. GOODALL.

\* First 'inside.' † 50th peal.  
Rung as a compliment on the birth of a son to the Rev. and Mrs. J. K. Sledge.

BRASSINGTON, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Mon., July 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 BAMBOROUGH SURPRISE MAJOR

Being two 2,160's and one 720.

Tenor 8 cwt.

Jeffrey Singleton .. .. Treble	Christopher J. Hughes .. 4
Ian M. Holland .. .. 2	Geoffrey N. Goodall .. 5
Eileen J. Osborne .. .. 3	Leonard Goodall .. .. Tenor

Conducted by LEONARD GOODALL.

SANDIACRE, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Tues., July 14, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SANDIACRE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

Jeffrey Singleton .. .. Treble	Geoffrey N. Goodall .. 4
Eileen J. Osborne .. .. 2	Leonard Goodall .. .. 5
Christopher J. Hughes .. 3	Ian M. Holland .. .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN M. HOLLAND.

BRADBOURNE, Derbyshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Wed., July 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 BACUP SURPRISE MINOR

Being two 2,160's and one 720, with 5-6 at backstroke throughout.

Tenor 9 cwt.

Christopher J. Hughes .. Treble	Geoffrey N. Goodall .. 4
Leonard Goodall .. .. 2	Richard A. Shekelton .. 5
Eileen J. Osborne .. .. 3	Ian M. Holland .. .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN M. HOLLAND.

RIPLEY, Derbyshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Wed., July 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt, 2 qr. 8 lb. in F.

Mrs. I. M. Holland .. .. Treble	Geoffrey N. Goodall .. 5
Eileen J. Osborne .. .. 2	Richard A. Shekelton .. 6
Christopher J. Hughes .. 3	Ronald H. Bullen .. .. 7
Ian M. Holland .. .. 4	Leonard Goodall .. .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY.

Conducted by IAN M. HOLLAND.

WEST HALLAM, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Wilfrid of York.

On Thurs., July 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt, 1 qr. 6 lb.

Mrs. I. M. Holland .. .. Treble	Richard J. Farnsworth .. 5
Geoffrey N. Goodall .. .. 2	Eileen J. Osborne .. .. 6
Christopher J. Hughes .. 3	Ronald H. Bullen .. .. 7
Leonard Goodall .. .. 4	Ian M. Holland .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. G. CASHMORE.

Conducted by IAN M. HOLLAND.

SAWLEY, Derbyshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., July 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 WATFORD SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt, 3 qr. 4 lb. in G.

Christopher J. Hughes .. Treble	Gordon A. Halls .. .. 5
Geoffrey N. Goodall .. .. 2	Richard A. Shekelton .. 6
Philip H. Whitaker .. .. 3	Ian M. Holland .. .. 7
Eileen J. Osborne .. .. 4	Leonard Goodall .. .. Tenor

Composed by D. KNOX.

Conducted by IAN M. HOLLAND.

DERBY, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Alkmund.

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 33 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt, 2 lb. in F.

Mrs. I. M. Holland .. .. Treble	Geoffrey N. Goodall .. 5
Gordon A. Halls .. .. 2	Leonard Goodall .. .. 6
Eileen J. Osborne .. .. 3	David W. Friend .. .. 7
Richard A. Shekelton .. 4	Ian M. Holland .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by LEONARD GOODALL.

## TWELVE AND TEN BELL PEALS

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

HEREFORD.—At the Cathedral Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Ethelbert.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 35 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 33½ cwt. in C.

George T. Cousins .. .. Treble	John D. Rock .. .. 6
Diana M. Frost .. .. 2	*Austin T. Wingate .. .. 7
Claudia A. Critchley .. 3	Wilfrid F. Moreton .. 8
Alan J. Frost .. .. 4	John Armstrong .. .. 9
G. William Critchley .. 5	Michael P. Moreton .. Tenor

Composed by F. E. DARBY. Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.

\* First peal of Surprise Royal.

First peal in the method on the bells and first of Yorkshire Royal in the county and for the Guild.

Rung as a 75th birthday compliment to the Rev. Canon H. A. Moreton, M.Litt., Dr-ès-Lettres, F.R.Hist.S., who was ordained in Ripon Cathedral 50 years ago, and has completed 29 years as Chancellor and Canon Residentiary of Hereford Cathedral.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

DALTON-IN-FURNESS, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Tues., July 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 21½ cwt.

Mrs. Norma J. Wall .. Treble	†Frank Birkett .. .. 6
*Jeffrey T. Turner .. .. 2	A. Hedley Wood .. .. 7
Nicholas M. Newby, sen. 3	John Bagnall .. .. 8
James E. Burles .. .. 4	Raymond Stuart .. .. 9
W. Thomas Turner .. .. 5	William Wall .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by WILLIAM WALL.

\* First peal 'inside.' and first of Royal. † First of Royal. First of Royal as conductor.

Rung to celebrate the wedding of the Vicar's daughter, Miss Clare Stoddart Mycroft, to Mr. Howard Martin Edwards, who were married this day by the Bishop of Carlisle.

MANCHESTER, Lancashire.—At the Town Hall.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 49 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 42 cwt, 2 qr. 25 lb. in B.

Edward Jenkins .. .. Treble	Jack L. Milhouse .. .. 7
Claudia Critchley .. .. 2	William E. Critchley .. 8
John Worth .. .. 3	Bernard F. L. Groves .. 9
Robert J. Warrilow .. .. 4	Derek Butterworth .. 10
A. Peter Whitehead .. .. 5	Brian Harris .. .. 11
Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. 6	Robert B. Smith .. .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

A tribute to Sir Winston Churchill, M.P., on his retirement from the House of Commons.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

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

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 ALBANIAN SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 15 cwt, 23 lb. in D.

Geoffrey M. Brewin .. Treble	Alan E. Hartley .. .. 6
*Malcolm E. Wade .. .. 2	Roland H. Cook .. .. 7
John M. Jelley .. .. 3	Martin C. Faulkes .. .. 8
William A. Lacey .. .. 4	A. Maxwell Lindsey .. 9
Denis A. Frith .. .. 5	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN M. JELLEY.

\* First peal of Surprise Royal. First peal in the method by all the band.

LEICESTER.—At the Church of St. John the Divine.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 21 cwt. in E flat.

Gerry Wm. Mason .. .. Treble	Denis A. Frith .. .. 6
Beryl Cawser .. .. 2	Geoffrey M. Brewin .. 7
William A. Lacey .. .. 3	Martin C. Faulkes .. 8
Alan E. Hartley .. .. 4	A. Maxwell Lindsey .. 9
Malcolm E. Wade .. .. 5	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by WILLIAM A. LACEY.

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## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

LINCOLN.—In St. Hugh's Tower at the Cathedral Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

On Thurs., July 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5000 STEDMAN CINQUES

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

Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. Treble	Walter Tomlinson .. .. 7
Jack L. Millhouse .. .. 2	*Harold F. Gibson .. .. 8
Norah M. Randles .. .. 3	George H. Randles .. .. 9
Beryl N. Reed .. .. 4	Colin W. Reed .. .. 10
Peter A. Sharp .. .. 5	John Freeman .. .. 11
H. Leslie Pask .. .. 6	John Walden .. .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN E. CHILCOTT. Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

\* First twelve bell peal and first of Stedman.

Rung as a tribute to Sir Winston S. Churchill, M.P., upon his retirement from the House of Commons.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

KINGSTON-UPON-HULL, Yorkshire.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5043 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 26 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in D.

*Janet I. Porter .. .. Treble	*John Hall .. .. 6
*Tris M. E. Lemare .. .. 2	Michael W. Crowder .. .. 7
Jack L. Millhouse .. .. 3	Ronald Ducker .. .. 8
Robin H. Rogers .. .. 4	Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. 9
Jack Bray .. .. 5	*David V. Stepetic .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHAS. W. ROBERTS.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

\* First peal of Caters. † First peal of Stedman Caters and 50th peal.

A wedding compliment to Rev. Peter Cook, Precentor at this church and Miss Joan Collins, whose marriage preceded the peal.

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

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 49 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 40 cwt. 10 lb. in B.

Jack L. Millhouse .. .. Treble	William E. Critchley .. .. 7
Claudia Critchley .. .. 2	Derek Butterworth .. .. 8
Robert J. Warrilow .. .. 3	Bernard F. L. Groves .. .. 9
Harold C. Lyonon .. .. 4	Robert B. Smith .. .. 10
Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. 5	A. Peter Whitehead .. .. 11
John Worth .. .. 6	Brian Harris .. .. Tenor

Composed by CHAS. J. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

MELLS, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 26 cwt.

David T. H. Robertson .. Treble	Ronald F. Diserens .. .. 5
Eunice M. Lewis .. .. 2	George W. Massey .. .. 6
Edgar C. Shepherd .. .. 3	Frank W. Lewis .. .. 7
Bryan C. Stirland .. .. 4	Noel J. Diserens .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by NOEL J. DISERENS.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

HODNET, Shropshire.—At the Church of St. Luke.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5184 PLAIN AND LITTLE BOB MAJOR

Consisting of 3,072 Plain Bob and 2,112 Little Bob: 95 changes of method.

Tenor 12 cwt. 24 lb. in F.

*Rosemary Eccleston .. Treble	Ernest Pimlott .. .. 5
*Brian Schofield .. .. 2	Michael Thomson .. .. 6
Henry Parker .. .. 3	Roy Worrall .. .. 7
*Edward V. Rodenhurst .. 4	Harry W. Howard .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. K. LEWIS. Conducted by HARRY W. HOWARD.

\* First peal of Plain and Little Bob Spliced.

LAWTON, Cheshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Wed., July 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8½ cwt.

*Denis Heapy .. .. Treble	*Barry Corbishley .. .. 5
*Harold Dowler .. .. 2	Philip G. K. Davies .. .. 6
*Frank R. Morton .. .. 3	*Roy Worrall .. .. 7
*Raymond J. Ballard .. .. 4	Ivor R. Nichols .. .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by IVOR R. NICHOLS.

\* First peal in the method.

CREWE, Cheshire.—At Christ Church.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb.

*James S. Baker .. .. Treble	†Ivor R. Nichols .. .. 5
A. Doreen Edwards .. .. 2	Frederick S. Sutton .. .. 6
John E. Brough .. .. 3	Roy Worrall .. .. 7
George A. Packer .. .. 4	Frank R. Morton .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by JOHN E. BROUGH.

\* First peal of Triples. † First peal of Grandsire Triples.

Rung to celebrate the birth of a grandson to George A. Packer (4th ringer).

## THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

CLENT, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Leonard.

On Sun., July 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Craven's. Tenor 11 cwt. 18 lb.

*F. Mark Robottom .. Treble	Ian P. Unsworth .. .. 5
Geoffrey W. Randall .. .. 2	Ian C. Maycock .. .. 6
†Richard D. Gibson .. .. 3	Peter S. Bennett .. .. 7
*Malcolm A. Phillips .. .. 4	David J. Allen .. .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN C. MAYCOCK.

\* First peal of Major. † First of Yorkshire. ‡ First of Surprise

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

NORTON, Heris.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sun., July 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 lb. in A.

Donald F. Murfet .. .. Treble	Barry J. Couzens .. .. 5
Brian D. Threlfall .. .. 2	Jean Sanderson .. .. 6
Robert E. Day .. .. 3	Andrew C. D. Mayes .. .. 7
Colin A. S. Harwood .. .. 4	Philip Meheew .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by PHILIP MEHEW.

Rung to mark the consecration of the new Parish Church of St. George on the following day.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

DEANE, Bolton, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Wed., July 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 ZURICH SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt.

Maryl Crossthwaite .. Treble	Richard Parker .. .. 5
Margaret E. Fort .. .. 2	John P. Partington .. .. 6
Richard Starkie .. .. 3	Geoffrey Fothergill .. .. 7
J. Barry Pickup .. .. 4	John Ashcroft .. .. Tenor

Composed by HARRY POYNER. Conducted by JOHN ASHCROFT.

First peal in the method for the Association and all the band.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18½ cwt.

John Booth .. .. Treble	*Alan Sharples .. .. 5
John Robinson .. .. 2	Neil Lomas .. .. 6
Susan Fungell .. .. 3	Derek Ashton .. .. 7
*Philip Crossthwaite .. 4	Denis Mottershead .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. IVIN. Conducted by DENIS MOTTERSHEAD.

\* First peal in the method.

BROUGHTON-IN-FURNESS, Lancashire.—At the Church of St.

Mary Magdalene.

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

## A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 19 lb. in G.

Nicholas M. Newby, jun. Treble	†Alan Capstick .. .. 5
*James E. Dickinson .. .. 2	James Blackburn .. .. 6
William Wall .. .. 3	Nicholas M. Newby .. .. 7
James E. Burles .. .. 4	†Thomas F. Metcalfe .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. THORP. Conducted by THOMAS F. METCALFE.

\* 50th peal. † 25th peal together. First peal in the method as conductor.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

LEICESTER.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Martin.

On Mon., July 20, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5184 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb.

Patricia A. Morris .. Treble	John M. Jelley .. .. 5
William J. Root .. .. 2	*Alan E. Hartley .. .. 6
Derek M. Sawyer .. .. 3	*Brian S. Chapman .. .. 7
David G. Wilford .. .. 4	E. Alan Jacques .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN M. JELLEY.

\* First peal in the method. John M. Jelley has 'circled the tower' to peals.

A compliment to Aubrey Naylor, of Greeton.

ENDERBY, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist.

On Fri., July 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 ENDERBY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 15 lb.

David J. Staples .. Treble	Malcolm E. Wade .. .. 5
A Maxwell Lindsey .. .. 2	John M. Jelley .. .. 6
Russell S. Morris .. .. 3	Alan E. Hartley .. .. 7
Martin C. Faulkes .. .. 4	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOHN M. JELLEY.

First peal in the method.

## ENDERBY SURPRISE MAJOR.

(H and M 3617)

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65243. 46532. 24536. 25346. 26354. 24653. 62453. 36452. 53246. 43526.



## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

RUGBY, Warwickshire.—In the N.E. tower of St. Andrew's Church.  
On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 24 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb.

Aubrey G. Eveleigh .. Treble	A. Maxwell Lindsey .. 5
Menica M. Moore .. 2	Roland H. Cook .. 6
Carol Urry .. 3	Russell S. Morris .. 7
John M. Jelley .. 4	Alan E. Hartley .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PRISTOW

Conducted by JOHN M. JELLEY.

First in the method on the bells. First peal on the bells since 1937.  
A compliment to Beryl and Alan Hartley on the birth of a son.  
Andrew John.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

BARTON-ON-HUMBER, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb.

Pritchard's.		
*John H. Hoodless .. Treble	I ptimus Neave .. 5	
Jill Richardson .. 2	G offir y Bromfield .. 6	
*Valerie P. Humphrys .. 3	*Richard A. Hunt .. 7	
Walter Weston .. 4	James H. Musson .. Tenor	

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.

\* First peal of Plain Bob Major.

In memoriam Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Hoodless.

## THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

BRIDGEND, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Iltud.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 16 cwt.

Parker's twelve-part.		
Thomas T. Yeomans .. Treble	*Russell J. Waters .. 5	
Trevor M. Rodrick .. 2	M. Jack Pryor .. 6	
William T. Petty .. 3	Gwyn I. Lewis .. 7	
Michael Pilgrim .. 4	Harold Preece .. Tenor	

Conducted by GWYN I. LEWIS.

\* First peal 'inside.'

Rung for the 60th anniversary of the augmentation of the bells from six to eight. The 133rd peal on the bells.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

KENNINGHALL, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sun., July 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

Pritchard's four-part.		
*Desmond P. Mortlock .. Treble	Lisley F. Bailey .. 5	
Harry B. Fuller .. 2	Thomas E. Spight .. 6	
William Clover .. 3	Peter M. Adcock .. 7	
Henry Tooke .. 4	H. William Barrett .. Tenor	

Conducted by HENRY TOOKE.

\* First peal of Major.

Rung in honour of the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Tony Roberts, of Loddon, and a birthday compliment to Mrs. Lisley F. Bailey.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

READING, Berks.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sun., July 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb. in D.

In seven methods, comprising 768 each of London Rutland, Cambridge, Pudsey and Superlative, 640 Bristol and 576 Yorkshire with 143 changes of method.		
*Michael J. Thomas .. Treble	*Gordon W. Land .. 5	
*Margaret E. Chapman .. 2	*David E. House .. 6	
*Tom Chapman .. 3	Frank C. Price .. 7	
Brian Bladen .. 4	*Robert C. Kippin .. Tenor	

Composed by NORMAN SMITH. Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

\* First peal of Spliced Surprise Major in seven methods.  
A compliment to Elizabeth and Roger Savory on the birth of a daughter.

OXFORD.—At the Church of St. Ebbe

On Thurs., July 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 WYE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 4 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

*Roy H. Jones .. Treble	*Peter J. Heritage .. 5	
Charles Coles .. 2	*Brian W. Hall .. 6	
*Susan J. Howes .. 3	*Bertram J. Coggins .. 7	
*Frederick W. Soden .. 4	Alan R. Pink .. Tenor	

Composed by E. W. TIPLER (B.52).

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

\* First peal on eight bells. † First in the method.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD

COSELEY, Staffs.—At Christ Church.

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 5 lb.

J. J. Parker's twelve part (7th Obs.)		
Gordon Griffiths .. Treble	Gillian Griffiths .. 5	
J. Dennis Holden .. 2	Cyril Griffiths .. 6	
Anthony Howell .. 3	Maurice G. Turner .. 7	
*Christine J. Turner .. 4	Howard Howell .. Tenor	

Conducted by MAURICE G. TURNER.

\* First peal of Triples in the method.

Rung as a compliment to Roger G. Howell on his 21st birthday.  
to Timothy Holden on his 14th birthday and to Miss Joan Turner and Mr. Michael Barker on the occasion of their wedding.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

SUTTON-ON-TRENT, Notts.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., July 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in G.

Johnson's Variation.		
Grace Burchall .. Treble	Jack L. Millhouse .. 5	
Katharine Burchall .. 2	William L. Exton .. 6	
*Anne E. Bateson .. 3	Alan R. Baldock .. 7	
*Christine M. Fuller .. 4	Harry Poyner .. Tenor	

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by JACK L. MILLHOUSE.

First peal of Cambridge Surprise Major.

Rung as a compliment to Viscountess Mascareene and Ferrand on her 91st birthday.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

LOWER BEEDING, Sussex.—At the Church of Holy Trinity.

On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 2 lb. in G.

J. J. Parker's Twelve Part.		
William T. Beeson .. Treble	*John G. Hallett .. 5	
Bernard J. Stone .. 2	E. Winifred Keys .. 6	
*John V. Clark .. 3	Bernard G. North .. 7	
John R. Norris .. 4	*Andrew G. Stevens .. Tenor	

Conducted by BERNARD G. NORTH.

\* First peal in the method. † First of Triples. First peal on eight bells as conductor.

Rung as a wedding compliment to P. Elizabeth W. Pierce and Peter J. H. Wycherley, who were married at St. George's Church, Chichester, on this day.

WESTBOURNE, Sussex.—At St. John the Baptist Church.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in G.

Henry C. Weaver .. Treble	Leonard Stilwell .. 5	
Jennifer M. Tyack .. 2	Morgan Marshall .. 6	
Michael J. Wake .. 3	E. Winifred Keys .. 7	
Ernest Treagus .. 4	Raymond P. Wood .. Tenor	

Composed by J. R. FRITCHARD.

Conducted by E. WINIFRED KEYS.

## THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

LADOCK, Cornwall.—At the Church of St. Ladock.

On Wed., July 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 11 cwt.

Parker's Twelve Part (7th Obs.)		
Valerie J. Perkin .. Treble	Cyril E. Lanxon .. 5	
*Margaret A. Boulton .. 2	Rev. A. S. Roberts .. 6	
Geoffrey W. Taysom .. 3	Alan Carveth .. 7	
*Rosemary Rich .. 4	D. Roy Boulton .. Tenor	

Conducted by ALAN CARVETH.

\* 50th peal. † First peal of Triples and in the method.

A compliment to Rosemary Rich on being awarded a B.A. (Hons.) Degree.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

HAWKLEY, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Peter and Paul.

On Sun., July 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb.

Patricia Diserens .. Treble	Brian J. Luff .. 5	
Jennifer M. Taylor .. 2	John N. Diserens .. 6	
James R. Taylor .. 3	Ronald F. Diserens .. 7	
Edgar R. Rapley .. 4	Noel J. Diserens .. Tenor	

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by NOEL J. DISERENS.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

LEEDS, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Hunslet.

On Mon., July 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 HUNSLET BOB MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. in F.

*Catherine R. Slater .. Treble	John Weaver .. 5	
Dinah M. Blow .. 2	Ronald H. Dove .. 6	
R. Fraser Mack .. 3	Robin Brown .. 7	
Arnold Cole .. 4	C. Barrie Dove .. Tenor	

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by C. BARRIE DOVE.

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

Rung in honour of the centenary of the consecration of the church.

SHERBURN-IN-FLEMET, Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. in F sharp.

Melvyn A. Rose .. Treble	John F. Underwood .. 5	
Alan Sheppard .. 2	*James Thorley .. 6	
J. Martin Thorley .. 3	G. Frederick Terry .. 7	
Kenneth B. Sissons .. 4	Leslie M. Woodhead .. Tenor	

Composed by P. O. BINBY.

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

\* 150th peal.

Rung to welcome Kenneth B. Sissons back to Yorkshire after a sojourn in Surrey.

## HUNSLET BOB MAJOR

Notation is: 56.18—18—18—18. i.e. 12, 6, 4.



## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

BUSHBURY, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (four callings).	Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb.
*Lynda J. Roberts .. .. Treble	*Roger W. Barker .. .. 4
†John D. R. Smith .. .. 2	*Peter J. Barker .. .. 5
Harry Butler .. .. 3	†Harvey Hood .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER J. BARKER.

\* First peal of Plain Bob Doubles. † First peal 'inside.' ‡ First peal.  
First peal as conductor.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

HEMINGTON, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Tenor 16 cwt.	
*Sandra Weaver .. .. Treble	Henry H. Hawkins .. .. 4
*Jennifer Durston .. .. 2	Edward J. Chivers .. .. 5
*Robert J. Hawkins .. .. 3	Gilbert R. Pomeroy .. .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD J. CHIVERS.

\* First peal.

## LEIGH-ON-MENDIP, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents, five callings.	Tenor 12½ cwt.
*Julian E. Newman .. .. Treble	George W. Massey .. .. 4
*†Derek J. Withers .. .. 2	David T. H. Robertson .. .. 5
*Douglas G. Brown .. .. 3	Raymond E. J. Baker .. .. Tenor

Conducted by RAYMOND E. J. BAKER.

\* First peal in the method. † First of Minor. First peal of Minor as conductor. First peal of Surprise on the bells.

## STOKE-SUB-HAMBDON, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.	Tenor 17 cwt. 15 lb. in E.
Raymond P. Selway .. .. Treble	Frederick Welch .. .. 4
Gilbert W. Rendell .. .. 2	Albert W. Dyer .. .. 5
Reginald Beale .. .. 3	William E. Turner .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM E. TURNER.

A 34th wedding anniversary compliment to the ringer of the 4th.

## THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

## HONILEY, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist.

On Mon., July 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being a 240 of Grandsire and 10 extents each of Grandsire, St. Simon's, Plain Bob and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure. Tenor 8 cwt.

A. Charles Morris .. .. Treble	Peter S. Bennett .. .. 3
*Malcolm A. Phillips .. .. 2	Richard D. Gibson .. .. 4
Ian C. Maycock .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by P. S. BENNETT.

\* First of Doubles.

Rung as a farewell to the Rector, the Rev. Roy Windmill, who is leaving this parish.

## SNITTERFIELD, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. James the Great.

On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being (1) Cambridge, (2) Oxford, (3) Kent and Oxford, (4) Kent, (5) Cambridge, (6) Kent, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb.

Peter S. Bennett .. .. Treble	Malcolm A. Phillips .. .. 4
*Richard D. Gibson .. .. 2	Ian C. Maycock .. .. 5
*F. Mark Robottom .. .. 3	David J. Allen .. .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN C. MAYCOCK.

\* First in four methods.

Rung to commemorate the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. E. Holdsworth.

## ARLEY, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Wilfrid.

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 2 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and St. Clement's, and two extents each of Cambridge and Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt. 12 lb.

Keith F. Gardner .. .. Treble	*F. Mark Robottom .. .. 4
Hazel A. Arrowsmith .. .. 2	Malcolm A. Phillips .. .. 5
*Geoffrey W. Randall .. .. 3	Peter S. Bennett .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER S. BENNETT.

\* First in five methods.

## KENILWORTH, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Wed., July 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge, Kent and Oxford, and four extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 14½ cwt.

John K. Foot .. .. Treble	Malcolm A. Phillips .. .. 4
Peter S. Bennett .. .. 2	*Ian C. Maycock .. .. 5
F. Mark Robottom .. .. 3	*David J. Allen .. .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN C. MAYCOCK.

\* 25th peal together.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

BELCHAMP ST. PAUL, Essex.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In five methods being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob and Oxford Treble Bob, and two each of Double Court and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

*William Chapman .. .. Treble	*Paul Le Count .. .. 4
†Jean R. Simmonds .. .. 2	*Peter Laurence .. .. 5
Ernest Brown .. .. 3	Ronald Suckling .. .. Tenor

Conducted by RONALD SUCKLING.

\* First in five methods. † First peal.

## THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

POWDERHAM, Devon.—At the Church of St. Clement, Bishop and Martyr.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 10 cwt.

William J. Harvey .. .. Treble	D. Roy Bould .. .. 4
Jennifer Smith .. .. 2	Frederick Wreford .. .. 5
Margaret A. Bould .. .. 3	Frank D. Mack .. .. Tenor

Conducted by FRANK D. MACK.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

LINTON, Herefordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Tues., July 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in seven methods: (1) Double Oxford, (2) Oxford Bob, (3) Cambridge Surprise, (4) Oxford T.B., (5) Kent T.B., (6) St. Clement's and Plain Bob, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb. in A.

*David M. Morton .. .. Treble	Austin T. Wingate .. .. 4
*John Turney .. .. 2	George T. Cousins .. .. 5
Michael P. Moreton .. .. 3	Wilfrid F. Moreton .. .. Tenor

Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.

\* First peal of Minor in seven methods. First peal in seven methods on the bells.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

BARROW-UPON-SOAR, Leics.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 16 240's and 10 extents all differently called. Tenor 13½ cwt.

Frederick Faulkner .. .. Treble	Roger I. Kendrick .. .. 4
B. Stedman Payne .. .. 2	*Royston Wilmore .. .. 5
Malcolm D. Barsby .. .. 3	J. Richard Perkins .. .. Tenor

Conducted by B. STEDMAN PAYNE.

\* 100th peal.

Rung as a thanksgiving for the 23 years' ministry of Canon W. H. Dew as Vicar of this parish.

## SAPCOTE, Leics.—At All Saints' Church.

On Tues., July 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods: (1) Carlisle, (2) Munden, (3) London, (4) Bourne, (5) Beverley, (6) Surfleet, (7) Cambridge.

Valerie Watts .. .. Treble	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. 4
K. Paul Gilliver .. .. 2	Michael E. Brown .. .. 5
Brian L. Burrows .. .. 3	John Watkins .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL E. BROWN.

## HEATHER, Leics.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Wed., July 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in 31 methods: (1) Southrepps, (2) Clifford's Pleasure, (3) Little Aston, (4) St. Columb, (5) Reverse Canterbury, (6) St. Giles, (7) St. Andrew, (8) Shareshill, (9) St. Thomas, (10) St. Nicholas, (11) St. Miles, (12) St. John, (13) Ryton, (14) St. Luke, (15) Winchendon Place, (16) Plain Bob, (17) April Day, (18) Seighford, (19) Old, (20) Kennington, (21) St. Simon, (22) Eynsham, (23) Elford, (24) Cassington, (25) St. Alban, (26) St. Martin, (27) St. Leonard, (28) Austrey, (29) St. Peter, (30) St. Paul, (31) St. Martin, (32) St. Leonard, (33) Austrey, (34) St. Peter, (35) St. Paul, (36) Plain Bob, (37) April Day, (38) Seighford, (39) Old, (40) Kennington, (41) Plain Bob, (42) Grandsire.

Brian G. Warwick .. .. Treble	Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. .. 3
*Stephen Hall .. .. 2	*Michael J. Roberts .. .. 4

B Stedman Payne .. .. Tenor

Conducted by BRIAN G. WARWICK.

\* First peal in as many methods. The first peal on the bells.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

SEMPRINGHAM, Lincolnshire.—At the Abbey Church of St. Mary.

On Wed., July 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Three extents of Single Oxford, four of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.

James Lyons .. .. Treble	Ronald Russell .. .. 4
Richard A. Webster .. .. 2	Gilbert F. Cowlin .. .. 5
Harry Barnes .. .. 3	James H. Musson .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.

A birthday compliment to Mrs. James Lyons, Mrs. James Musson and Mr. Harry Barnes.



**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
ULCEBY, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.  
On Mon., July 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In 24 methods: (1) Capel, Sandal, London Scholars' Pleasure, Kingston and Oxford Treble Bob, (2) Ockley, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise and Norbury Treble Bob, (3) Newdigate, Old Oxford, College Bob IV, Willesden and Marple Delight, (4) Charlwood, Neasden, St. Albans, Wragby and Baintree Delight, (5) Carisbrooke and Donottar Delight, (6) Wath and Pontefract Delight, (7) Cambridge Surprise: 75 changes of method. Tenor 9 cwt.  
W. Arthur Crowder .. Treble | John M. Blaikie .. 4  
Delia E. Heppenstall .. 2 | George E. Feirn .. 5  
G. Leslie A. Lunn .. 3 | A Robin Heppenstall .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. FEIRN.

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
FORNCETT, Norfolk.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.  
On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 20 extents of Grandsire, four each of St. Simon's and St. Martin's and 14 of Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.  
Charles H. Blake .. Treble | Cedric F. W. Phillippo .. 3  
Robin Churchill .. 2 | David Vokes .. 4

Frank C. J. Arnold .. Tenor

Conducted by CEDRIC F. W. PHILLIPPO.

Arranged for David Vokes, son of a former Rector of Forncett.

**THE SUFFOLK GUILD.**  
IPSWICH, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Clement.  
On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being extents of London, Wells, Durham, York, Ipswich, Norwich and Cambridge. Tenor 15 cwt, 1 qr. 18 lb. in F sharp.  
Robert E. Lester .. Treble | Martin Press .. 4  
Alice E. J. Lester .. 2 | Donald F. Murfet .. 5  
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. 3 | George E. Thoday .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. THODAY.

A wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Gash, of Needham Market.

### HALF PEAL

**REBINGTON, CHESHIRE.**—On Aug. 3rd, 2,528 Plain Bob Major: G. S. Beecroft 1, A. L. Coventry 2, Miss A. M. Tinkler 3, R. Peers 4, J. D. Heron 5, F. L. Coventry 6, R. T. J. Tinkler 7, A. J. Martin (cond.) 8.

**ARLFSEY, BEDS.**—On White Sunday, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. F. Simpson 1, Ann Woodhouse 2, Verna Rix 3, Audrey Alexander (cond.) 4, K. Barnes 5, A. Simpson 6. For Parish Communion.

**BARMING, KENT.**—On July 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Clisby 1, Miss S. Gunner 2, W. T. Grice 3, W. R. Manser 4, B. F. Groves (cond.) 5, F. Manser 6. For Patronal Festival.

**BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.**—On July 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: May Wingrove 1, Gwendolyn C. Reeves 2, Dorothy Fletcher 3, A. Newell 4, E. G. Swift (cond.) 5, M. Damerall 6, J. Ellams 7, H. J. Wingrove 8. Arranged for the ringing of 4th, who was holiday in this district.

**CASTLE CARY, SOMERSET.**—On July 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss E. Higdon (first quarter) 1, Mrs. L. Sherrell 2, W. Higdon 3, A. Higdon 4, J. Nicholls 5, W. Sherrell 6. Conducted by A. and W. Higdon, and rung as a farewell to Rev. H. E. R. Everitt.

**DARLEY DALE, DERBYS.**—On July 29th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: R. H. Bullen 1, P. Taylor 2, Anne Smith (first quarter) 3, J. F. Smallwood 4, A. Laughon (first of Stedman) 5, B. Morris 6, Rev. R. St. John Smith (cond.) 7, G. H. Paulson 8. Rung as a tribute for Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill's 90th birthday.

**EAST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.**—On July 19th, 1,260 Kent Treble Bob Major: J. H. Griffin 1, Evelyn M. Hicks 2, Valerie V. Howard 3, Diana J. Butcher 4, Gillian R. Parsons 5, M. P. Howard 6, F. H. Hicks 7, J. A. Howard (cond.) 8. A 21st birthday compliment to the ringer of the sixth.

**GEDDING, NOTS.**—On July 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Jack Dawson 1, J. T. Burnup (first of Grandsire) 2, D. Surman 3, D. Osbourne (first quarter attempt) 4, G. A. Dawson (cond.) 5, R. Adey 6. For Evensong. First quarter peal by an all local band.

**HALKYN, FLINTSHIRE.**—On July 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: T. C. Bowley (first quarter) 1, Dr. V. Woodcock 2, D. N. Collins (first as cond.) 3, I. H. Jones 4, E. M. Jones (first 'inside') 5, P. Downer 6.

**BARKING, SUFFOLK.**—At the Church of St. Mary.  
On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 YORK SURPRISE MINOR

Tenor 11 cwt, 1 qr. 7 lb. in G.  
Michael C. Garrod .. Treble | Neville F. Whittell .. 4  
\*Kenneth J. Hesketh .. 2 | \*George E. Thoday .. 5  
Alice E. J. Lester .. 3 | Martin Press .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. THODAY.

\* 25th peal together.  
A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Mannings, of Ipswich.

**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
SHIPLEY, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.  
On Thurs., July 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents in eight methods, viz.: (1) London and Wells, (2) Norwich, (3) York, (4) Durham, (5) Beverley, (6) Surfleet, (7) Cambridge. Tenor 9½ cwt.  
Patricia Diserens .. Treble | Stanley G. Ponting .. 4  
Edgar R. Rapley .. 2 | Brian J. Luff .. 5  
William T. Beeson .. 3 | Ronald F. Diserens .. Tenor

Conducted by RONALD F. DISERENS.

## HANDBELL PEALS

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
At 'The Wayside,' 150, Narborough Road South.  
On Tues., July 14, 1964, in 1 Hour and 57 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor size 15 in C.  
John A. Acres .. 1-2 | John M. Jelley .. 5-6  
Peter J. Staniforth (Cond.) 3-4 | Alfred Ballard .. 7-8  
Rung in memoriam to Harold J. Poole (July 14th, 1955).

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD**  
(Hampton Grammar School Campanological Society)  
HAMPTON, Middlesex.—On the School Field.  
On Fri., July 17, 1964, in 1 Hour and 47 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**  
Tenor size 15 in C.

\*Anthony C. Knights .. 1-2 | Michael B. Tyers .. 3-4  
Peter N. Felton (Cond.) .. 5-6  
\* First 'in hand' on six bells. First for the Society by present members of the school.

## QUARTER PEALS

**IDE, DEVON.**—On July 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss A. Giles 1, Mrs. P. M. Pavey 2, R. Fry 3, P. M. E. Pavey 4, A. White (cond.) 5, K. Wannell 6. First in method 1. First 'inside' in method 2 and 4. First in method as conductor.

**LANCHESTER, CO. DURHAM.**—On Aug. 2nd, 1,440 Doubles (three methods): J. Tonks 1, J. Thompson 2, Miss L. Moore 3, A. Walker 4, H. P. Thompson (cond.) 5, R. S. Jackson 6. For Evensong.

**LANGPORT, SOMERSET.**—On Aug. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: H. M. Wetherall 1, A. Rothwell 2, F. J. White (cond.) 3, H. G. Westlake 4, R. Parker 5, G. Pope 6. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to the late P. Cox, for many years a ringer at this church.

**MARSHFIELD, MON.**—On July 28th, 1,324 Plain Bob Major: G. Ricketts (first quarter) 1, Miss P. Welsh 2, Miss C. Glastonbury 3, R. C. Lucas 4, G. Bainham 5, R. J. Waters (first on eight) 6, D. J. Llewellyn 7, M. Pilgrim (first on eight as cond.) 8. Rung for the induction of the Rev. A. K. James as Vicar.

**NAILSEA, SOMERSET.**—On July 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: H. Hardwidge 1, L. Derrick 2, W. P. Blake 3, C. J. Boulthée 4, P. Gav 5, J. Brain (cond.) 6.

**NAPTON-ON-THE-HILL, WARWICKS.**—On July 8th, 1,260 Doubles (11 methods): Miss H. A. Arrow-smith 1, R. D. Gibson 2, P. S. Bennett 3, I. C. Maycock (cond.) 4, D. J. Allen 5.

**NORWICH.**—At St. John de Sepulchre, on July 26th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Miss J. H. Bust 1, D. Cubitt 2, M. Cubitt (cond.) 3, F. C. Goodman 4, P. Adcock 5, D. P. Mortlock 6. For Evensong.

**PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA.**—At St. George's Cathedral, on July 12th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Jacoba Hos 1, L. Reynolds 2, M. Pace 3, B. Lawes (cond.) 4, B. Potts 5, E. Warren 6. Rung for the second anniversary of the first quarter on the bells, July 15th, 1962.

**PITNEY, SOMERSET.**—On July 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. J. Lewis 1, Rev. C. J. Marshall 2, H. E. G. Jeanes 3, H. Westlake 4, E. T. P. Field (cond.) 5. Rung half-muffled as a last tribute of affectionate respect to Mr. Percy Cox, ringer and friend.

**ROTHERHITHE, LONDON.**—At St. Mary's Church, on July 2nd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss M. E. Powell 1, Miss D. A. Deverell 2, Mrs. G. G. Meyer 3, W. D. Grainger 4, L. C. Way 5, C. M. Meyer 6, R. C. Stevens (cond.) 7, C. J. N. Dalton 8. For Choral Communion.

**SWINDON, WILTS.**—At Christ Church, on July 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. E. Jaques (first of Triples) 1, Mrs. J. A. Minchin 2, A. Keen 3, Miss S. H. Little 4, W. B. Kynaston 5, V. Griffin 6, E. Sutton (cond.) 7, W. W. T. Daniell 8.

**SUTTON-IN-HOLDERNESSE, E. YORKS.**—On July 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Mathers (first quarter) 1, Patricia A. Wilson 2, Janet I. Porter 3, H. Rodmell 4, C. R. Robinson 5, R. H. Rogers (cond.) 6. For Evensong to mark the Feast of St. James.

**STAFFORD.**—On July 19th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Jennifer Beech 1, F. R. Wiggan 2, F. H. Eley 3, R. K. Mowforth 4, F. Beech 5, A. E. Garbett 6, R. Stanley 7, R. J. Warrilow (cond.) 8. For morning service.

**TYTHERINGTON, GLOS.**—On July 24th, 1,440 Kent T.B. Minor: H. Taysom 1, A. W. Gibbs 2, A. Howard (first of Kent) 3, J. Brain 4, K. C. Davis 5, G. Marchant (cond.) 6.

**UCKFIELD, SUSSEX.**—On July 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. J. C. McLean 1, Mrs. M. E. Addy 2, W. G. Ledward 3, J. Holden 4, D. R. McLean (cond.) 5, D. H. Thorpe 6. Rung on the occasion of the christening of Andrew, son of W. G. Ledward, grandson of J. Holden, nephew of D. H. Thorpe.

**WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.**—On July 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Chapman 1, D. Wright (first 'inside') 2, D. Hewitt 3, C. Wright 4, A. Boyack 5, K. Warner (16th first as cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**WETHERSFIELD, ESSEX.**—On July 18th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Wood 1, Mrs. J. Poultier 2, E. J. Roper 3, E. Webb 4, R. Threadgold 5, F. Roper (cond.) 6. First quarter 2 and 5.

**WOOL, DORSET.**—On July 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Ruth A. Elmes 1, M. J. Young (cond.) 2, Mary E. Elmes 3, R. Gray (first quarter) 4, P. R. Keough (first quarter 'inside' in method) 5, G. W. Elmes 6.

**YORKTOWN, SURREY.**—On July 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Sylvia Tate-Mitchell 1, Gwen Marshall 2, M. Church 3, D. Cox 4, T. Poulter 5, R. Clist (cond.) 6.



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### BIRTH

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### FORTHCOMING MARRIAGE

WHITE—SANGER.—The marriage between Michael Vivian White, of Bleadon, Somerset, and Bridget Ann Sanger, of Evercreech, Somerset, will take place at St. Peter's Church, Evercreech, on August 22nd at 1.30 p.m. 5082

### DEATH

HUGHES.—On August 11th, 1964, peacefully after a short illness, Albert Arthur Hughes, of the Church Bell Foundry, Whit-chapel, London, aged 79 years. The funeral service will be held at St. Lawrence Jewry Church, next to the Guildhall, on Saturday at 10.30 a.m., followed by interment in Manor Park Cemetery. 5157

### RETURN THANKS

FIDLER.—Will all friends please accept my very best thanks for your tributes to my late wife, Rachel.—John P. Fidler. 5126

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

HAYNES.—The address of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Haynes, and of Frances, Richard and Stephen, is now 31, De Freville Avenue, Cambridge. 5153

SMITH.—The temporary address of Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Smith is now 'Whingarh', 17, Ridge Road, Marple, Cheshire. 5130

### PERSONAL

'Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee; he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.' (Psalm IV, 22.)

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### MISCELLANEOUS

GUILDFORD.—The next Surprise Major practice will be on Thursday, September 17th. Methods: Bristol Ealing London Pudsey and Bristol London Cambridge and Superlative Spliced. 5145

### BACK NUMBERS

'The Ringing World' has received a very generous gift of back numbers dating from 1919 to 1959. While some are brown with the passing of years, the majority are clean and serviceable. We propose to offer these to readers who want to complete their files. The charge will be 8d. per copy post free.

NAILSEA PARISH CHURCH.—Our bells will be all right soon, thanks to Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, who have spent so much time and care on the job. We will be very pleased to welcome visitors either singly or in parties.—L. Derrick (captain), Peacehaven, Old Church Road, Nailsea, Somerset. 5116

WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL.—Owing to recitals there will be no ringing on the Sunday afternoons of August 16th and 23rd. 5140

### MEETINGS

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ilkeston District.—Meeting Attenborough (Notts.) Friday, August 14th 7.30 p.m. Southwell Guild members welcome.—D. J. Marshall, Dist. Sec. 5085

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Dunster Branch.—Ten bell practice at Minthead, August 15th 7 p.m. Visitors cordially welcomed.—A. R. Tudball. 5133

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Coventry Archdeaconry District.—Meeting at Wolvey on Saturday, August 15th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. A good attendance will be appreciated. 5115

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Hunts District.—Meeting at Great Staughton, Saturday, August 15th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Special methods: York Surprise and St. Clements Minor.—M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 5115

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—August 15th. Welwyn. Bells (8) 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m., tea 5.15 p.m., also evening. S.M.—Doubt's Oxford—M.A.C. 5089

### IRNHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE

The annual cricket match between Spalding and Grantham ringers is tomorrow (Saturday) at 2.30 p.m. Cups of tea only.

Ringing afterwards at Edenham. 5150

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting of the Rossendale Branch will be held at Ramsbottom on Saturday August 15th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Cups of tea at 5 p.m. Please note: Secretary's address now 19, Cowpe Road, Waterfoot, Rossendale, Lancs. 5144

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—S. and W. District.—Evening practice only at Stanwell, near Staines, August 15th. Bells from 7 p.m. Come and help the Vicar and his new band. Harefield on September 19th.—F. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec. pro tem. 5132

SALISBURY GUILD.—Marlborough Branch.—Meeting at Burbage (afternoon) and Milton Lilbourne (evening). August 15th. Names for tea to W. Stay, 91, High Street, Burbage.—G. Brown, Asst. Sec. 5101

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.—Practice meeting at Uckfield (8). Saturday, August 15th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierpoint. 5108

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Business meeting at The Rising Sun, Carter Lane, E.C., on Tuesday, August 18th, at 8.15 p.m. Forthcoming practices:—Aug. 18, St. Paul's Cathedral; Aug. 25, St. Michael's, Cornhill; Sept. 1, St. Lawrence Jewry; Sept. 8, St. Giles', Cripplegate. The 327th Anniversary Dinner will be held on Saturday, October 31st, 1964, at The Bridge House Restaurant, London Bridge. Further details will be published shortly. 5127

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Chippenham Branch.—Meeting Cors-ham, Thursday, August 20th. Bells (6), at 7 p.m. till 9 p.m.—H. Heath, Hon. Sec. 5138

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Axbridge Branch.—Practice meeting at Winscombe (8), Saturday, August 22nd. Bells available 5 p.m.—M. Legg, Hon. Branch Sec. 5157

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—Evening meeting, Flitwick, Saturday, August 22nd. Bells (6) from 5 p.m.—K. G. S. 5154

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Monthly meeting, Saturday, August 22nd. Nunburnholme (6) 2 to 4.15 p.m. Market Weighton (6) 3 p.m. until service tea 4.45 p.m., followed by tea 5.30 p.m. and evening ringing. Names for tea by previous Thursday to Mr. J. V. Hobson, 4, Holme Road, Market Weighton. 5169

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Crewe Branch.—Marbury, August 22nd. Bells (6) 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea must be received by August 19th.—W. Kerr, 107, Moreton Road, Crewe. 5118

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Derby District.—Joint meeting with the MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD at Repton (8), Saturday, August 22nd. 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, August 19th to Dis. Sec., M. A. Willis, 33, Gisborne Close, Mickleover, Derby. 5119

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—A.G.M. Staindrop, August 22nd. 8 bells from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea (phone Aycliffe 2240) or E. Thompson, 14, Twinsburn Road., Houghton, Darlington. 5148

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Wibech Branch.—Meeting, Watlington, Saturday, August 22nd. Bells (6) 2.30, service 4.30, tea 5.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 5135

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL—Wotton Branch.—Meeting at Coaley, Saturday, August 22nd. Bell 3 p.m., service 4.30, tea 5; also meeting at Yate on Saturday, September 12th. Names for tea P. Mills, 23, Church Street, Wotton, Glos. 5061

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Combined practice at Yorktown (8) on Saturday, August 22nd from 6 to 9 p.m.—D. P. Elsmore, Dis. Sec. 5134

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Clun District.—Meeting at Leintwardine (8), Saturday, August 22nd. Bells 3.15, service 5.15. Regret own tea arrangement, however small cafe nearby. All welcome.—J.H.C. 5149

NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—An evening meeting will be held at Ilam (6) on August 22nd. Bells 5.30 p.m. till 7.30—8.00 p.m.—G. C. Beech. 5146

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berkshire and South Bucks. Branch.—Boyne Hill, Maidenhead, Saturday, August 22nd. Ringing 3.30 p.m., service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by 18th please.—Miss Hague, 6, Stompits Road, Holyport, Maidenhead. 5128

SALISBURY GUILD.—Calne Branch.—Meeting Yatesbury (5) August 22nd. usual arrangements. Names for tea please.—Miss V. Preston, 24, Yatesbury, Calne, Wilts. 5136

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Salisbury Branch.—August 22nd practice meeting. Tisbury, Bells 3 p.m., service 4.15, tea 5 p.m. Names by Tuesday, 18th to G. A. Trimby, 24, West St., Wilton. 5117

SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.—Meeting at St. Wulfram's, Grantham (10), on Saturday, August 22nd. Bells from 3 p.m. No tea arrangements but plenty of cafes.—Sec. 5141

SUFFOLK GUILD.—S.W. District.—Meeting at Preston St. Mary, Saturday, August 22nd. Bells (6) 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by 19th August, please, to Mr. Cross, Six Bells, Preston St. Mary, Sudbury, Suffolk. 5087

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Division.—Quarterly meeting at Bexhill (8) August 22nd. Bells 3 till 4.30 and 6.15 till 8, service 4.30, tea 5.0 Names for tea, please, to Mr. R. A. Vitler, 321, London Road, Bexhill-on-Sea.—I. Smith, Sec. 5142

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Isle of Wight District.—Quarterly meeting Freshwater, August 22nd bells 2.30, service 4.30, tea 5 p.m.—Anne M. Guy, Hon. Sec. 5129



**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.**—Winchester District.—Quarterly meeting. Cheriton. August 22nd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Tichborne bells (6) available 6 p.m. Names for tea by August 18th to R. Collis. 3, Hockley Cottages, Cheriton, Alresford. 5152

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Lincolnshire District.—Meeting on Saturday, August 29th, at Horn-castle. Bells 2.30 p.m., service 4 o'clock. Names for tea to Mrs. H. Bennett, Cemetery Lodge, Horn-castle, not later than Wednesday, August 26th.—A. Richardson, Hon. Sec. 5112

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Bolton Branch.—Meeting at Newchurch, near Warrington, Saturday, August 29th. Bells 3 p.m. tea 5 p.m. Business after tea. Names for free tea, please, to M. A. Mason, 46, Twiss Green Lane, Culcheth, near Warrington.—Thornley, Sec. 5147

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Gressenhall on Saturday, August 29th. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by the business meeting. Names for tea to G. Bunning, Gressenhall, East Dereham.—C. T. 5156

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northampton Branch.—Business meeting Brafield, Saturday, August 29th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to Mr. P. Jones, 2, Denton Road, Brafield. 5114

### ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, FINEDON, NORTHANTS.

Service of thanksgiving and reopening of bells after rehanging.  
Saturday, August 29th.

Service at 6.30 p.m. Bells from 3 p.m.  
Tea from 4.30 p.m.

Names for tea to Noel F. Pearson,  
23, Mulso Road, Finedon. 5098

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wimborne Branch.—Meeting at Kingston (8) August 29th. Ringing 3—5 and 6.30—8. Own tea arrangements. Names for transport from Wareham by Saturday noon to C. Heawood. 4, Walls View Road, Wareham (Tel. 429).

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The Oswy Street Memorial Cup, contest of 720 changes open to any band, will take place at Laxton (6) on Saturday, August 29th. Names for tea by 25th to Mr. D. Chambers, Dovecote Cottage, Laxton, Newark, Notts. Copies of Rules from H. Denman, 2, Askham Road, Rockley, Retford, Notts. 5062

### LICHFIELD DIOCESAN RINGING FESTIVAL

At Stafford, Saturday, September 5th,  
1964

Bells available. Route 1:—Haughton (5), 10.30—11.15 a.m. and 7.45—8.30 p.m.; Church Eaton, (6), 11.0—11.45 and 7.15—8.0 p.m.; Lapley, (5), 11.30—12.15 p.m. and 6.45—7.30 p.m.; Penkridge, (8), 12.0 noon—12.45 and 7.0—9.0 p.m. Route 2:—Rugeley, (6), 10.0—10.45 a.m. and 8.15—9.0 p.m.; Colwich, (6), 10.30—11.15 a.m. and 7.45—8.30 p.m.; Ingestre, (6), 11.0—11.45 a.m. and 7.15—8.0 p.m.; Sandon, (5), 11.30—12.15 p.m. and 6.45—7.30 p.m.; Seighford, (5), 12.0 noon—12.45 p.m. and 6.15—7.0 p.m.; Stafford, (10), 3.15—4.30 p.m. and 6.30—8.0 p.m.; Cannock, (8), 7.30—9.0 p.m.; and Gnosall, (6), 8.15—9.0 p.m. No ringing please until arrival of the appointed Ringing Master.

Service at St. Mary's Stafford, 4.30 p.m. Tea in Church Schoolroom 5.15 p.m. Names for tea please to: Mr. R. J. Warriow, 197, Tixall Road, Stafford, by September 2nd. latest.—C. M. Smith, Hon. Sec., Stafford Achdeaconry Society. 5120

**NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.**—Half yearly meeting at Abergele on Saturday, September 5th. Bells (6) 2 p.m., service 3.30 p.m. followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea as soon as possible please, to W. Cathrall, 19, Cunliffe Walk, Garden Village, Wrexham. 5124

**DEVON GUILD.**—Mid Devon Branch.—Quarterly meeting. Buckfast Abbey, September 19th. Bells 2 p.m., service in the Abbey 4.30 p.m., tea and business after. Names for tea to Fr. Paulinus, Buckfast Abbey. 5121

**KIMPTON CUP COMPETITION.**—Saturday, September 26th, 2.45 p.m. at Kimpton. Test piece 360 Minor or Doubles. Entries by September 13th please, to J. G. Cull. 5. The Green, Kimpton, Hitchin, Herts. Tel. Kimpton 350. 5139

## OBITUARY

### MR. PERCY COX

Although Mr. Percy Cox, of Pitney, Somerset, had been in very poor health for some considerable time, he had recently been able to take up ringing again and his sudden death on July 28th came as a great shock to all who knew and respected him.

'Perce,' as he was affectionately known, learned to ring over 40 years ago on the five bells at Pitney and soon became a keen 'method' ringer. For the past 12 years he had been a member of the Langport band. He was always welcome in any ringing function, for besides being a safe ringer and a good striker, he had a sense of dry humour and a friendly personality which endeared him to all who met him. One of his greatest attributes was possibly the fact that a promise was a promise and he would never intentionally let a band down. He was laid to rest in Pitney Churchyard, and by his passing the world is a poorer place. E. T. P. F.

### RACHEL ELIZABETH FIDLER

It is with regret that I report the passing of Rachel Elizabeth Fidler, on August 1st, 1964, after a long illness but most patiently borne. At the same time, however, what a privilege it is for me to put pen to paper to express, though inadequately, a most sincere appreciation of her life and work for the Church, and particularly on behalf of ringers.

Ringers' wives are of that breed where every consideration, tolerance and forbearance are most essential attributes and these were certainly evident in Mrs. Fidler. Her consideration for ringers was shown by the fact an empty bed was invariably kept at the ready for stranded ringers who were always welcome and her willingness to assist the other ladies of Loughborough in preparing teas for visiting ringers. But more especially her tolerance and forbearance were shown by the loneliness she endured during the time her husband had to be away on ringing business, but without complaint and particularly with the illness she had to bear during the past 12 months.

May the example she set during her lifetime be followed by those who come after and may God grant her eternal rest. To Jack and her family we offer our most sincere condolences. P. J. S.

### MR. ALBERT A. HUGHES

With deep regret we announce the death, peacefully in his sleep early on Tuesday morning, of Mr. Albert Arthur Hughes, J.P., of the Whitechapel Bell Foundry, London. He was 79 years of age.

Mr. Hughes was taken ill on Sunday night and was admitted to the London Hospital on Monday. Mrs. Hughes was summoned to the hospital early on Tuesday and was with him when he died.

He led a life devoted to the art of bell-ringing, in its many facets. His services were recognised by the conferring on him of life membership of the Central Council. He had been honorary treasurer of 'The Ringing World' since its acquisition by the Council. He was one of the greatest stalwarts of all time of the College Youths.

The sympathy of the Exercise and bell-ringers the world over is extended to his widow and two sons in their bereavement.

A memoir will appear in our next issue.

**KIRKBY-IN-ASHFIELD, NOTTS.**—On July 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Susan Tanner (first quarter) 1. Thelma E. Staples 2. G. Alcock 3. E. A. Harrison 4. M. Kirk (cond.) 5. For Evensong.

## QUARTER PEALS

**BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.**—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss L. Doone 1, W. R. Chandler 2, Miss H. Copperthwaite 3, Miss B. Fisher 4, R. J. Brown (cond.) 5. For Parish Communion.

**BROMESBOROUGH, GLOS.**—On Aug. 1st, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse St. Bartholomew and Grandsire): B. Prout 1, Miss G. Mitchell 2, K. Tyler 3, T. Gazzy 4, E. D. Wilson (cond.) 5. L. Smith 6. Rung on the day of Bromesborough Church fete to welcome the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Tyler.

**CORSLEY, WILTS.**—On July 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss P. Sellick (first quarter) 1, Mrs. M. White 2, Miss C. White 3, D. J. Tubbs 4, C. M. White (cond.) 5, R. Holly 6. For Patronal Festival Evensong.

**DUNKERTON, SOMERSET.**—On July 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Barbara H. Smith (13) 1, Jean Lee 2, I. M. Cox (13) 3, A. F. Lee (cond.) 4, Shirley A. Cox (13) 5, R. L. Coles (13) 6. A farewell to the treble ringer.

**EPFING, ESSEX.**—On July 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (with 6. 8 covering): K. Hughes (first of Doubles) 1, J. Aldridge 2, M. Creed (first quarter) 3, A. Crowson 4, D. Riley (cond.) 5, C. Moore 6, A. Freeman 8.

**FARMBOROUGH, SOMERSET.**—On July 19th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: K. Baker 1, Rosemary Smith 2, M. Heymann 3, A. Perry 4, R. Smith 5, M. Horseman (cond.) 6. First quarter 1 and 4. For Matins, by the Sunday morning band.

**HAWKHURST, KENT.**—On July 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. D. Harrison 1, L. W. Jarvis 2, W. Gorringer (cond.) 3, E. G. Baker 4, H. J. Pope 5, A. H. Kemp 6. S. G. Waters 7, D. West 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. R. W. Playford.

**HOLBEACH, Lincs.**—On July 23rd, 1,260 Minor (720 Kent, 540 Plain Bob): M. J. Rains 1, G. Johnson 2, H. Barsley 3, A. E. Flatters 4, K. R. Davey 5, R. D. Bailey (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Westmoreland.

**HOLFORD, SOMERSET.**—On July 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. Smith 1, B. R. Somerfield 2, C. Clarke (cond.) 3, J. Aldridge 4, B. Wyld 5. First quarter on the bells since rehanging.

**LEDGERY, HEREFORDS.**—On July 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. Haylings 1, P. S. Robertson (first 'inside' on eight) 2, F. Lawrence 3, M. Hawkes 4, D. Price (first of Triples as cond.) 5, F. Hawkes 6, J. Clements 7, L. Dovey 8.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On July 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Neilson 1, Vivienne Dye 2, Rachel Sinden 3, Elizabeth Todd 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, R. Hough 6. For Matins.

**SNITTERFIELD, WARWICKS.**—On May 30th, 1,320 Minor (720 Oxford T.B., 600 Kent T.B.): F. C. Lyne 1, Miss C. Saunders 2, F. M. Robottom 3, R. D. Gibson 4, I. P. Unsworth 5, P. S. Bennett (cond.) 6.

**SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.**—On July 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: June E. Wood 1, B. G. Warwick 2, K. H. Mildred (cond.) 3, Mrs. B. G. Warwick 4, D. W. Stenson 5, A. R. Mildred 6, R. K. Stretton 7, M. Brown 8. For Evensong.

**STOKE BISHOP, BRISTOL.**—On July 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Bentley 1, Miss V. Vincent 2, B. Buckland (first quarter) 3, Miss J. Vincent 4, P. Gray (cond.) 5, B. Buckland (first quarter) 6. For the Patronal Festival.

**SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.**—On July 19th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: Katharine Burchall 1, R. Beresford 2, D. Parsons 3, Grace Burchall (first in method as cond.) 4, Eleanor Rose 5, A. Parsons 6, H. Hawcroft 7, D. Williamson 8. First in method for all except 1 and 4. For Evensong.

**WALKINGTON, E. YOKES.**—On June 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. W. Forbes 1, E. M. Haynes (first as cond.) 2, S. J. Wight 3, P. A. Teal 4, C. A. R. Hunt 5, J. Gray 6. For Missionary Sunday Evensong. Also on July 26th, 1,440 St. Clement's Bob Minor and Oxford T.B. Minor: P. A. Teal 1, E. M. Haynes 2, J. Gray 3, J. S. Rank 4, D. S. Johnson 5, I. Campbell (first as cond.) 6. First in method 2 and 3. For Evensong, and farewell to conductor.

## PRELIMINARY NOTICE

Christchurch District Festival  
Saturday, September 26th, 1964

Ringing throughout the day. Towers open include Ringwood (8), Wimborne St. Giles (8), Wimborne Minster (10), Bournemouth St. Peter (8), Christchurch Priory (12). Tea Christchurch Church Hall, 6.15 p.m., 3s. each. Full details later 5122



## QUARTER PEALS

**AXMINSTER, DEVON.**—On Aug. 4th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: K. Pinney 1, Mrs. C. W. Powell 2, S. Turner 3, H. G. Keeley 4, Rev. C. Marshall 5, Rev. R. Keeley (cond.) 6, W. E. Turner 7, F. C. Knight 8.

**BATHAMPTON, SOMERSET.**—On July 25th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, April Day and Grandsire): Miss M. Stubbs 1, J. E. Newman 2, C. Barnford (first quarter) 3, R. M. Stubbs (cond.) 4, E. Goater 5, P. R. Stubbs 6. To congratulate Ken Harrison and Maureen Viner, on the occasion of their wedding.

**CHENIES, BUCKS.**—On July 23rd, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): C. J. Harpley 1, Miss M. Barrett 2, C. Alban 3, D. R. Bartholomew 4, D. J. Goodman (cond.) 5, W. Atkins 6. For induction of new Rector.

**EWELL, SURREY.**—On July 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. C. W. Munday 1, H. E. Good 2, P. J. Munday 3, D. A. Carpenter 4, A. S. Besant 5, R. C. Spittle 6, J. E. Beams (cond.) 7, C. W. Munday 8. Farewell to Mr. H. E. Good, who is leaving the district after 29 years' regular ringing at this tower.

**HARWELL, BERKS.**—On July 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Napper 1, D. Jordan 2, C. Garlick 3, W. Gilks 4, D. Bosley 5, M. Bishop (cond.) 6, W. Corderoy 7, A. E. Gee 8. Half muffled in memoriam E. Cox, former ringer for over 50 years.

**HOLME-ON-SPALDING MOOR, E. YORKS.**—On July 30th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: R. D. Gibson (cond.) 1, D. P. B. Miles 2, Joan Gray 3, Shirley J. Wight 4, H. C. Palmer 5, S. K. Thompson (first quarter attempt) 6.

**IRCHESTER, NORTHANTS.**—On July 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Ann Chettle 1, A. Bigley 2, R. E. Chapman 3, S. Hodgkins 4, R. Coley 5, A. Wilson (cond.) 6, A. Gibbs 7, G. Deighton 8. Rung after the wedding of the Wellingborough Branch Ringing Master, B. Whitworth, to Miss P. Ann Newberry.

**LYME REGIS, DORSET.**—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. C. W. Powell 1, H. G. Keeley 2, S. Turner 3, Angela Quick (first quarter) 4, C. W. Powell 5, F. C. Jacklin 6, Rev. R. Keeley (cond.) 7, F. C. Knight 8.

**WEST HOATHLY, SUSSEX.**—On July 27th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: D. Slater (first in method) 1, Valerie J. Howard (first in method) 2, Gillian R. Parsons (first on six bells) 3, June M. Mitchell 4, F. H. Hicks 5, J. A. Howard (first as cond.) 6. The treble ringer has now 'circled the tower' to quarter peals since the rehanging.

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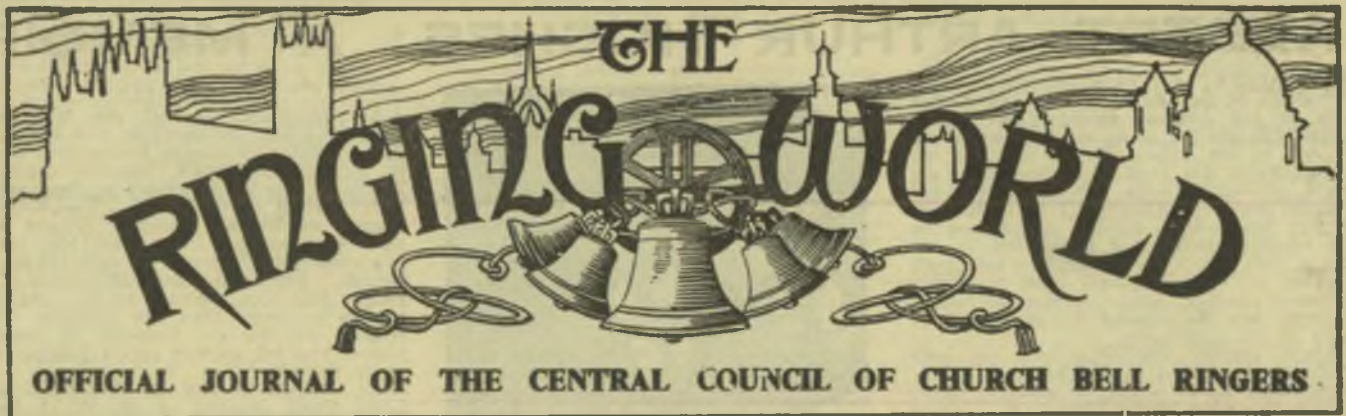
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### ALBERT ARTHUR HUGHES

**R**INGERS in many parts of the world will share the sorrow of Mrs. A. L. Hughes and her family at the passing to higher service of Albert A. Hughes, head of the world-famous Church Bell Foundry in Whitechapel. He was held in highest affection by ringers everywhere, and was one of the best-known figures for over half a century. He was a true Londoner, always at pains to preserve and enhance the high and ancient traditions of that great city, and he played an important part in its civic affairs, receiving many honours during his long and active career. In 1919 he was admitted to the Livery of the Worshipful Company of Skinners, and in 1958 was presented with the honorary Freedom of the Founders' Company. He had been chairman of the board of governors of Sir John Cass College in the City of London and chairman of the 17th century Davenant Grammar School, Whitechapel, also a lay magistrate in the Tower Division, London, and General Commissioner of Income Tax for the same division.

For many years he was warden of the Corporation Church of St. Lawrence Jewry, by the Guildhall, and churchwarden of St. Botolph's, Aldgate.

As a ringer he possessed outstanding qualities. Being a pupil of the famous Matt. A. Wood, it is not surprising that his standard of ringing was very high, and older College Youths will well remember his achievements. The Society will greatly mourn his loss, for he was one of its most loyal members. Elected in 1903, he became Master in 1914, and served in that capacity during the whole of the First World War. He served as its representative on the Central Council and for 40 years as hon. treasurer. The Central Council at its last meeting in Truro presented him with its greatest honour and elected him as a life member. It is sad that he was not able to enjoy this honour for very long.

Albert Hughes was a very quiet and unassuming man who endeared himself to all. He was solid and sincere with a depth of character which is an example to us all; and we shall remember him for his warmth and friendliness. Whatever he did he put his best into it, and his influence for good was very great.

We shall also remember him for his work in maintaining the work of the famous Bell Foundry — often through most difficult times, particularly during the Second World War when the foundry was damaged many

times by enemy air raids. Throughout these most trying and dangerous times both he and his wife continued to live on the premises, and were near death on many occasions. They carried on bravely and came through safely.

As Albert Hughes carried on the business on the death of his father in 1916, so now his two sons, William and Douglas, succeed him; and the whole Exercise will extend to them and to Mrs. Hughes its heartfelt and deepest sympathy in their great loss.

May he rest in peace.

JAFUS.

### EXETER CATHEDRAL BELLS

The Rev. J. G. M. Scott is an authority on Exeter Cathedral bells and Exeter Foundries. Recently in Mr. Frederick Sharpe's book on the bells of the Channel Islands, Mr. Scott contributed a chapter dealing with Exeter Foundries; he has now written a booklet on the bells of Exeter Cathedral which also appeared in the 34th annual report of the Friends of Exeter Cathedral.

There is a magic about Exeter Cathedral bells; until Liverpool Cathedral bells were dedicated, "Grandisson," weighing 72½ cwt. was the king of all ringing tenors, the ambition of all young males even just to strap it to a peal. "Grandisson's" predecessor was mentioned on the Fabric Rolls of 1372 and of the eight listed by the Commissioners for Church Goods in 1552 there is "Bishop Graundson's" bell.

In 1625 Thomas Pennington was ordered to recast "Grandisson" and two other bells in the south tower, and Mr. Scott gives us confirmation that the present bell and her predecessor both bore the impression of a medal bearing the head of Archbishop Laud. The story of Thomas Purdie's work on the bells some eight years after the Commonwealth is entrancingly told. The bells were traditionally cast in the Deanery garden and the casting was regarded as Purdie's masterpiece. He writes: "What Purdie's 'Grandisson' was like we shall never know, for she has since been twice recast but "Peter," "Stafford" and "Cobthorne," are superb. "Stafford," in particular, being reckoned by many to be one of the noblest bells in the kingdom."

William Evans, of Chepstow, was given the job in 1729 to provide a proper ring of 10. "Grandisson" and two other bells were cracked and these were recast. They remained like this until 1902 when, because of the difficulty in ringing, Messrs. Taylor of Loughborough, were called in. "Grandisson" was not only recast, but a half ton of metal was added to increase her power. A full ring of 12 came in 1923 through the gift of Mr. A. C. Thomas and in recent years the Loughborough foundry has rehung the three back bells on ball bearings. The 13 bells of today are the product of four different centuries and six different founders and as the author concludes: "Each seeks perfection in his own way, and together they make music the finer for their diversity."

The illustrations are well chosen. "The Bells of Exeter Cathedral" is obtainable, price 1/- post free, from the Friends of Exeter Cathedral, 1 The Cloisters, Exeter.



# ALBERT ARTHUR HUGHES: A MEMOIR

MR. ALBERT ARTHUR HUGHES, whose death, at the age of 79 years, on August 11th in the London Hospital was briefly recorded in our last issue, will be remembered as one of the pillars upon which the art of bellringing has been built throughout the world. It was not only with the Whitechapel Foundry that links Elizabeth I with Elizabeth II that he made a notable contribution to the advancement of bell music, but by his liaison with the public at large. From both sides of the Atlantic people came to Whitechapel—journalists, writers, lovers of bells—to meet him be inspired by all that bells mean to the community.

Albert Hughes was born into the bell-ringing business and in the bedroom at 34, Whitechapel Road, where he normally slept. He was here when he was taken to the London Hospital on his last illness. In fact, except for a period from 1910 to 1918, when he lived at Leytonstone, he spent his life at the foundry. His father, Arthur Hughes, took over the foundry in 1904, and a memorable day for him was when George V and Queen Mary visited the foundry. Arthur died in 1916 during World War I and Albert, then a young man of 31, succeeded him. Although he spent three years in the City after leaving school, it was an innate love of bells that made him decide upon his vocation in the family business.

## THE COLLEGE YOUTHS

It was as a youth that he learned to handle a bell with Mat Wood at Bethnal Green, and came in contact with many College Youths. Another of his tutors was Mr. W. D. Smith, who was to become his father-in-law, at the old church at Hackney. He joined the Ancient Society in 1903 at the age of 18, and in those days established a reputation as a heavy bell ringer; he was invariably to be found at the back end. His prowess is indicated by pulling up all the bells at Bow, Cheapside and ringing the 52 cwt tenor to a peal. Other tenors he rang to peals during that period were at Cornhill, Southwark, Wrington and Stenney, and his total of peals is thought to be 200. His first peal was rung at Upper Clapton in May, 1906. It was Holt's Original and was called by Mr. Challis Winney. He called his first peal—Holt's ten-part of Grandsire—from the third at St. Matthew's, Bethnal Green, on June 16th, 1909.

The College Youths elected him as their Master in 1914 and throughout those five years until 1918 he remained in office. The Society owed much to him—for 40 years until 1956 he was the treasurer, and he was one of their representatives on the Central Council from 1915 until 1930. He did much to guide the destinies of this great Society to the unique position it holds in ringing today.

In World War II, when the headquarters of the Society were bombed and many of the records destroyed, it was the Whitechapel Foundry that provided them with headquarters for almost weekly meetings under dire conditions. Even in those years, when Whitechapel seemed an inferno with the constant air raids and the foundry was damaged on more than one occasion, he resolutely refused to budge, and Mrs. Hughes stoically remained by his side. Throughout their life together Mrs. Hughes has been an essential part of the foundry. Upon her has devolved the payment of wages and attending to P.A.Y.E.. During the last war on more than one occasion she climbed on to the roof of the foundry and extinguished incendiary bombs.

Of later years—since the death of Mr. Alexander Young in 1956—at College Youth dinners he had given the toast of 'Fragrant Memory of Masters of 300, 200 and 100 years ago.' The College Youths, their history and tradition, was very much a part of his life.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL

Mr. Hughes was one of the best loved members of the Central Council. He was a trustee of Carter's Ringing Machine, and also served as an auditor of the Council's accounts. His biggest job, however, was as honorary treasurer of 'The Ringing World' to which he was appointed in 1952. Mr. Hughes was one of the original committee formed in 1942 to take over the journal and his attention to the financial side of its affairs had been most



MR. A. A. HUGHES

assiduous. Most of the meetings of the committee were held in his home at Whitechapel.

It seemed more than appropriate that at the last Central Council meeting at Truro the Council's greatest honour of life membership should be conferred upon him. Unfortunately an injury to his leg prevented him from attending the meeting. With Mrs. Fletcher he shared the honour of being the senior member of the Council.

## IN THE CITY

Throughout his life he took a great pride in the City of London, its churches and its customs. He was admitted to the Livery of the Worshipful Company of Skinners in 1917, and in 1958 he was presented with the honorary freedom of the Founders' Company. He took a deep interest in the Lord Mayor's Church, St. Lawrence Jewry. In 1927 he formed a band at this church and these bells were rung regularly every Sunday until 1939. For many years he was churchwarden here—an office he held at the time of his death. One of the proud moments of his life was the dedication of the ring of eight bells in the restored church. He was also a churchwarden at St. Botolph's, Aldgate. Mr. Hughes was a Freemason and a past master of the Pellyar Lodge No. 2693.

Technical education appealed to him and he was a governor and for many years chairman of Sir John Cass College, resigning this office only last year. He was also chairman of the Davenant Grammar School, Whitechapel, which was founded in the 17th century. A Justice of the Peace, he sat for many years in the Tower Division of London. He was also a general commissioner of Income Tax for the same division.

## FOUNDRY PROSPERED

Under his leadership the Whitechapel Foundry has prospered. One of the first things he did when he took control was to introduce modern harmonic tuning with a subdued minor third. The foundry has played no small part in the replacement of war damaged bells in the City of London. A notable casting was that of the new Bow tenor, witnessed by the Lord Mayor of London and the sheriffs. The frieze of London Pride on his bell seemed most fitting. Probably his biggest job was Liverpool Cathedral. The concrete bell frame was his special design and this idea has been incorporated in the frame of Washington Cathedral. Throughout the world—in Canada, United States, Africa, Australia and New Zealand—the products of the Whitechapel Foundry are to be found. But he was also the champion of the small parish with bells and lent a sympathetic ear to the person in difficulties. Many a time where major work was necessary he would undertake a repair job to get the bells going and to keep cost within the limited resources available.

## HANDBELLS

An important side of the Whitechapel Foundry relates to handbells and during the days of dollar shortage in Britain these proved to be an exceedingly valuable export to America. The craftsmanship in these bells is highly prized in the States. The American League of English Handbell Ringers is a virtue organisation. Eight times Mr. Hughes had crossed the Atlantic to visit U.S.A. and Canada. The annual handbell festival of the League had been attended by him and Mrs. Hughes on more than one occasion. Mrs. Hughes was in the forefront of handbell soloists and her services at the festivals were much enjoyed.

Mr. Hughes married in 1910 Miss Annie Lilian Smith, daughter of Mr. W. D. Smith, of Hackney. On the occasion of their silver wedding they were presented with a silver salver by the Ancient Society of College Youths. Their golden wedding was an occasion for presentations from the staff and family. Mr. Hughes was looking forward to his diamond wedding in 1970, which would be the quater-centenary of the foundation of the foundry. Their two sons, William A. and Douglas, have been master founders since 1950, and have the knowledge and experience to carry on in the long list headed by Robert Mot, 1570. Their daughter is the wife of Mr. H. G. Stokes, of Woodbury, Exeter.

## THE FUNERAL

The funeral service was held at St. Lawrence Jewry Church, next to the Guildhall, where M. and Mrs. Hughes had worshipped regularly for many years and where he was a churchwarden. This was the first funeral service to be held in this church since its rebuilding in 1957, although there had been a number of memorial services.

The bells were being rung at the cortege arrived to Stedman Triples. The band consisted of: Ernest J. Rowe 1, John Chilcott 2, Rodney B. Meadows 3, Jack A. Waugh 4, John H. Crampson 5, Philip A. F. Chalk 6, John Phillips 7, Trevor N. J. Bailey 8. The coffin was received at the church door by four of the churchwardens—Messrs. Russell Wilson, Steele, Douglas Clarke and Tom Collett—who escorted it to the entrance of the chancel. Behind the family mourners came members of the foundry staff, many of whom are known all over the country as bellringers.

The Rector, the Rev. J. F. D. Trimmingham, conducted the simple service. Psalm xxiii was read, and the hymn 'How sweet the name of Jesus sounds' was sung. The lesson from Revelations was read by the Rev. Derek Harbord, of St. Botolph's, Aldgate, where Mr. Hughes was also a churchwarden. Miss Margaret Cobb was the organist.

The long drive to the City of London Cemetery at Manor Park followed. The bell at St. Botolph's, Aldgate, was solemnly tolled as the cortege passed the church. The committal sentences were said by the Rector of St. Lawrence Jewry and then followed by the graveside a plain course of Stedman Triples on handbells rung by John Chilcott 1-2, Wilfred Williams 3-4, Michael V. Chilcott 5-6, Trevor N. J. Bailey 7-8.

The family mourners were Messrs. W. A. and D. Hughes (sons), Mr. Alan Hughes (grandson), Mr. H. G. Stokes (son-in-law), Mr. E. Hughes (cousin) and Mr. G. J. Nott.

Among those present were Messrs. F. Sharpe and G. W. Fletcher (life members, Central Council), E. A. Barnett (hon. secretary), H. A. Pitstow (hon. auditor), R. S. Anderson (convenor), F. I. Hairs, W. G. Wilson ('Ringing World' Committee), E. G. Fenn, E. E. Collins, W. F. Oatway, W. J. Rawlings, E. Barnett, J. Phillips, T. J. Lock (Middlesex County Association), A. R. Agg. (Hertford County Association), H. Rumens, F. C. Maynard, W. B. Kynaston (Gloucester and Bristol Association), John Chilcott (secretary, Ancient Society of College Youths), M. Chilcott, W. Williams, Ronald Clouston, G. W. Debenham.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Woolley, Mrs. F. I. Hairs (Sussex County Association), Harper (Oxford Diocesan Guild), Dennis Beresford (Society of Royal Cumberland Youths), George

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## FALSE COURSE HEADS AND THEIR APPLICATIONS

There were two points which I failed to make when dealing with the above subject. After having compared the rows with treble in the same place and having same sign 'up' against 'down' (page 440) it is necessary to compare 'down' against 'up' therefore the F.L.H. for 3+ and 4+ will be as follows:—

3 + 26143857 up	58176432 down
17582346	12345678
58176432 down	26143857 up
15673824	12345678
4 + 62318375 up	85714623 down
17582346	12345678
85714623 down	62418375 up
15673824	12345678

After having checked the courses with tenors parted as shown on page 465 it is necessary to check the courses with tenors together for fakeness against the courses with the tenors parted. As 7th is in thirds in these courses look for an F.C.H. with 7th in thirds and compare with each course with tenors together. Take lead two, the only F.C.H. with 7 in thirds is at 2734568.6 as tenors are together in lead 6 this can be disregarded. The same F.C.H. occurs false against lead 3. Look at table of N.C.H. and it will be seen that 26435 is the only course in the first part where there is any chance of falseness but transposing gives 2764358 so as this course ends does not occur in the peal it is still true. Similarly in the other two parts. The third lead also only has 2764358 but 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th and 1st lead have 6745238. Look for 2nd in 6ths in N.C.H. table this does not occur so the composition is still true.

A great deal of care is needed in proving compositions with tenors parted—I cannot stress this too much as I have recently been caught out in one of my own compositions—luckily the peal broke down! I should like to thank John Mayne for his comments upon which these notes are based.

JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM.

## OBITUARY.—A. A. HUGHES—continued.

Fox, David Martin (University of London Society). R. C. Heazel (Essex Association). R. T. Lewis. O. T. Lewis. C. Watts. J. D. Painter. Michael Howard. D. A. J. May (Guildford Guild). Mrs. Deal. F. Ranson. R. M. Gill. J. H. Crampton. Nelson. M. A. Northover (Reigate). Miss M. G. Northover (Bridport). Stanley Fox. J. A. Waugh. R. B. Meadows. P. A. F. Chalk. John Bailey.

Sir John Cass College was represented by Dr. A. M. Ward (principal), Sir Hugh Dow (clerk), Mr. Howard Chaffis and other members of the staff: The Skinners' Company by Mr. Wickham Jones. Mr. Glover (clerk) and Mr. Frost (beadle); the Pellipar Lodge of Freemasons (No. 2693 by Lt.-Col. Owen Campbell Jones (W.M.); the Royal Athelston Lodge by Mr. Tom Clarke; Central Council for the Care of Churches by Miss Judith G. Scott (secretary); the Founders' Company by Mr. C. L. Smith (Master); Ironmongers' Association by Mr. J. H. Holland (Master).

Others present were Miss Ramsey, Mr. Gibson (Tower Bridge). Mrs. Trimmingham, Mr. Peter Trimmingham, Mr. Hugh Mason, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Elliston, Mr. Hewison (treasurer, St. Lawrence Jewry). Mrs. Garwood Scott the Rev. A. Powell Miller, Miss Parsons (Bridport), Mr. Donald C. Cann, Mr. Daniel Hillingham, Mr. George Fox, Mrs. Daly and Mr. T. W. White.

## SUFFOLK GUILD N.W. District

On August 8th the N.W. District ringers held their quarterly meeting at Horringer, where ringers from a great distance joined them. Two came from Bradford, two from Birmingham and the Misses Burchall from Sutton, Notts. Mr. George Pipe, the new Suffolk Guild Ringing Master, and Mr. A. Beckwith, the Suffolk Guild general secretary, brought ringing friends from Ipswich and district and a great variety of methods was enjoyed. Bristol Surprise Major, Stedman, Double Norwich, Kent, Oxford, Grandsire and other methods were rung.

At 4.30, when the ringers should have enjoyed a picnic tea in Ickworth Park, the long awaited rain came so cars became eating rooms. The service was taken by the Rector, and Miss Joan Ivings was at the organ.

The meeting was brief, Mr. Wright being in the chair and Mr. A. Balham, the District secretary. No evening meeting will be held in September.

Next meeting: October 8th, Barrow, Suffolk. G. R.

## GOLDEN JUBILEE RINGING DAY AT SOUTHEND-ON-SEA

On Saturday, July 18th, the Southend and District Guild held a ringing day as their part in the Golden Jubilee celebrations of the borough of Southend-on-Sea.

During the afternoon ringing took place at Great Wakering and Prittlewell. The Guild service, held at Prittlewell, was conducted by the Rev. W. H. Wareing and the address was given by the Ven. W. H. Welch, Archdeacon of Southend.

Afterwards over 60 ringers and guests sat down to a cockle and shrimp tea. The guests included the Archdeacon, local clergy and Mr. R. C. Heazel, Master of the Essex Association.

Visitors came from Suffolk, Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire and the ages of ringers ranged from 12 to 90 years.

After tea ringing took place at Leigh, Thorpe Bay and Prittlewell, ranging from rounds to Yorkshire Major and Grandsire Caters.

## LADIES' GUILD AT DARTMOUTH

The quarterly meeting of the Devon Branch was held at Dartmouth. Ringing took place on the light six at St. Petrox Church in the afternoon. Several visitors took advantage of a short boat trip to visit this church which adjoins Dartmouth Castle at the mouth of the river Dart.

The service was held at St. Clement's Church, which is near the Naval Training College, and was conducted by the curate (Rev. D. R. Hooper). The six bells were rung before and after the service.

A delicious tea of cold meat and salad, strawberries and Devonshire cream was provided in St. Clement's Church Hall. This was followed by a business meeting presided over by the vice-president (Mrs. D. R. Bould). In the absence of the secretary (Miss V. Porter) the minutes were read by Mrs. Bould. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Ottery St. Mary in October with ringing at Sidbury in the evening. Miss V. Goss proposed that a quarter-peal attempt should be arranged in the near future. Mrs. P. Farnham was elected assistant secretary. A new member from Trimmingham (Miss S. Powell) was elected.

Ringling continued during the evening on the eight bells at St. Saviour's Church. A.E.R.

## WEEK-END AT MOOR PARK COLLEGE

EXCELLENT weather, an historic building in magnificent grounds, a cordial atmosphere and ample, well prepared food combined to make the Guildford Diocesan Guild's first week-end course most enjoyable. From July 17th to 19th some 40 students and lecturers occupied this 17th century house set in its 65 acres and transformed its 'peace and tranquillity' into a somewhat typical ringers' gathering with the handbell ringing of the keen, the reminiscences of the older, the shrieks of the younger and the loud voice of another.

The Warden, Dr. Grimwood, in extending a warm welcome, briefly mentioned the historical interest of the house. Whilst some were impressed to think that part of Darwin's 'Origin of the Species' was written at Moor Park others were interested in the love letters written by Dorothy Osborne to Sir William Temple, the first owner.

Many questions were provoked by a well balanced talk under the heading of 'Bells, fittings and maintenance' by Mr. Douglas Hughes. His splendid illustrations were very helpful. Before returning to London he played part of the Washington peal on his tape recorder. The remainder of the evening was spent with handbells.

Mr. W. H. Viggers began Saturday's lectures with one on 'Striking'. The personal experiences, which he used so effectively to illustrate his points, and his original ideas were much appreciated. Mr. A. D. Barker later gave a talk on bell handling, using a rope hanging over a door for illustration. The remaining lectures of the day, and indeed the course, were most ably given by Mr. W. G. Wilson. Method building, splicing, composition, conducting, place notation, falseness and kindred subjects were all explained: many of those present were amazed at the simplicity of the basic ideas. Practical ringing at Seale and Farnham and on handbells was under the guidance of the day's three lecturers.

Holy Communion preceded and followed by a course of Grandsire Triples in hand in the College chapel began Sunday's official programme. After breakfast the company dispersed to five neighbouring churches for morning ringing and reassembled at noon for the final lectures.

An opportunity was given for views on and criticism of the course to be aired. Although a few modifications were suggested it was generally agreed that the week-end had been most enjoyable. Not everyone shared the obvious enthusiasm of the girls who, feeling that the 16-hour days were too short, thundered up and down stairs for a couple of hours each night and morning.

At £4 per head (after County Council subsidy) the course was perhaps the most expensive of its kind but this did not prevent every available place being booked well in advance. A valuable week-end and the first of many no doubt. D. A. R. M.

## HALIFAX ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting and prize contest of the Association was held at Longwood on July 18th. Five teams entered the contest to ring 600 changes with the following result:—  
Meltham 49 faults, Sandal 56 faults, Friezland 35, Shelley 19, Barnsley 30.

The Shelley ringers were presented with the cups and prizes by Mr. Edward Earnshaw, the president, who asked to be relieved of the duties of the chair after 35 years' loyal service. Mr. Farrand, of Friezland, was elected the new president.

Thanks were accorded to the Vicar and local ringers and ladies for light refreshments, and to Messrs. Hilton and R. Tarbatt, judge and marker.

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# Letters to the Editor

## Mr. G. Hughes' 5,008 Bob Major

Dear Sir,—I was very sorry to read on page 528 of 'The Ringing World' that Mr. B. G. Key has had to withdraw three false peals of Plain Bob Major but I should like to inform you that the composition which he mentions, a 5,008 by the late George Hughes, is perfectly true, if called correctly.

Here are the figures:—

23456	W	B	M	H
46325	S	—	—	S
36524	—	—	—	—
35264	—	—	—	2
63254	—	—	—	3
56234	—	—	—	—
23564	—	—	—	—
36245	—	1	—	2
43265	—	—	—	3
64235	—	—	—	—
23645	—	—	—	—
34256	—	1	—	2
53246	—	—	—	3
45236	—	—	—	—
23546	S	—	—	—
23465	A	—	—	—
23654	A	—	—	—
23456	B	—	—	—

This peal has the full combination of 4, 5, 6 in 56 at the course-ends, and, after the two introductory courses, the 2nd is never in 5, 6 or the 3rd in 6ths at a course-end.

This is a simple and highly musical peal, perhaps one of the best on the plan, and is perfectly true.

Unfortunately, a false 'variation' of this peal exists, in which the singles have been moved from the last Wrong in each half-peal, to the last Home. This alters the part-ends, and makes the composition false, causing changes in the first course to repeat with changes in the 24th course, as follows:—

1st Course	24th Course
2345678	3245678
S 3257486	— 3257486
2738564	2738564
7826345	7826345

How this false 'variation' came into being, I cannot say, but it appears in the Midland Counties Association Report for 1937, page 109, peal 4,810, and no one appears to have noticed its obvious falseness. If a peal of Plain Bob Major is commenced with a single at Wrong, the course-end 3245678 must not be followed by a bob at Wrong under any circumstances, as repetition is bound to occur.

It cannot be too strongly emphasised, that any alterations of true compositions should always be carefully proved, and never attempted by those who cannot prove their efforts. Whoever was responsible for this alteration has caused disappointment to at least four bands, and two conductors, a sorry state of affairs, and most distressing to any conductor who innocently makes use of figures purporting to be the work of such a talented composer as the late Mr. George Hughes.—Yours sincerely, CHARLES W. ROBERTS, Waltham Abbey.

## Essendon's Girl Recruits

Dear Sir,—For many months now Mr. F. Banford, Ringing Master at Essendon (Herts), has been struggling to get a band of ringers up to a reasonable standard!

He has five girl learners who have made much progress since they started ringing.

Just recently two ringers from Wheathampstead have been helping Mr. Banford in his excellent attempt as the girls could only ring Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles. Now by verbal tuition by Mr. M. J. Sherrick and Mr. K. J. Walpole, they can ring inside to short touches and have made attempts to learn and ring many new methods with outstanding success.

After a short time all the girls should be up to the standard for full ringing membership of the Herts County Association. The writer, who wishes to remain anonymous, asks Mr. F. Banford, Mr. M. J. Sherrick and Mr. K. J. Walpole to keep up their excellent work.—Yours, etc.,

R.M.F.

Herts.

## Village Celebrations

Dear Sir,—Whilst the Rev. Robert Kilvert was curate at Clyro, Radnorshire, the following event that involved the local ringers took place on June Day, 1870. This entry is taken from 'Kilvert's Diary, 1870-1879,' edited by William Plomer.

'Going out to the school at 10 found Mary Brooks, the Vicarage housemaid, at the door just going to ring. She had run down breathless with an open letter just received in her hand to announce that Mrs. Venables (the Vicar's wife) was confined of a nice little girl at 1.5 a.m. yesterday. Three cheers, the news flew through the village like wild-fire. Charlie Powell, Richard Brooks and John Harris rushed to the church and the bells were soon in full peal.

'Hannah Witney, standing at her door knitting, heard the bells ringing and asked 'What has God sent her?' The bells ringing at intervals all day. Mrs. Price of the Swan, sent the ringers a gallon of beer. I sent another gallon, and went to the belfry to see them ringing...—Yours sincerely,

PETER J. CAME.

Danbury, Essex.

## Surprise Minor Peals

Dear Sir,—Could any of our friends who maintain records please inform me of the following:—

What is the greatest number of Surprise Minor methods rung in a peal at their own tower, by a Sunday service band? and where was it rung?

How many peals, under these conditions, have there been of over fourteen methods?—Yours truly,

G. S. G. JOYCE.

Farnborough, Hants

## St. Peter's, Wolverhampton

Dear Sir,—Reading the report of Luton ringers' outing on July 4th ('R.W.' 2781) to Lichfield, Walsall, Wolverhampton and Redditch, I nearly choked on reading that St. Peter's, Wolverhampton, bells are seldom heard through lack of ringers. As a member of the band at St. Peter's, I hotly deny that this is so. A year ago, this would have been true, but it certainly is not now. There is a list of ringers up in the church porch (thirteen altogether), and we ring from 10 to 11 a.m. and 5.45 to 6.30 p.m. on Sunday and practise on Monday from 8 to 9 p.m. It is rare now for the back eight not to be rung for Sunday service. The band has too many treble ringers, but six months ago the treble ringers could only ring call changes. Nevertheless, we can ring Grandsire Triples, Plain Bob Minor, Stedman Doubles and Triples, and usually ring call changes on ten and occasionally on the twelve for service.

It will not be long now before we will be able to ring a peal on our own bells, with members of the service band, and it will be a good one.—Yours sincerely,

ELIZABETH TIMMINS.

Tettenhall, Staffs.

## Peals withdrawn

Dear Sir,—I wish to withdraw the following peals which I conducted, the composition having recently been found to be false. The peal is 5,008 Plain Bob Major composed by the late George Hughes of Wednesbury, Staffs. I conducted this composition at St. Andrew's, Litchurch, Derby on December 28th, 1937 and also at St. Andrew's Netherton, on July 23rd, 1960. These peals were rung for the late Midland Counties Association and Staffs Society respectively. My sincere apologies to all who took part. I also took part in this composition at St. Martins, Tipton, on December 28th, 1929 and am withdrawing it from my total was my first peal of 'Major.'—Yours faithfully,

H. BOSWELL.

Blakenhall, Wolverhampton.

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## HITCHIN'S TRIUMPH OVER DESPAIR

By TREVOR A. BEVIS

**V**ISUALISE a great Perpendicular church set in the midst of a well-kept churchyard, lawns sweeping down to a picturesque brook overlooked by attractive terraces, and one becomes familiar with the pleasant Hertfordshire town of Hitchin.

St. Mary's Church has stood in this agreeable acre for over 600 years. 'A noble pile of buildings' was erected on this site as long ago as 792 A.D., founded by Offa, King of Mercia.

Misfortune fell upon the Benedictine monastery in the relentless form of fire which destroyed in so thoroughly a manner that the brethren were obliged to join their fellow monks at St. Albans. Out of the ruins came forth a church of modest dimensions.

The site, however, seemed fated, for the church was subjected to destructive forces in the form of lightning; even an earthquake in 1298 shook the walls to such an extent that the centre of the building collapsed and all of one side was no more. The year 1304 witnessed the fall of the roof, irreparably damaging many relics and monuments of antiquity.

'Resurgam' was the watchword for the day. At the third attempt in 1305 another church materialised from which has developed the present large building, the latest addition being completed just before the Reformation. It represents Hitchin's triumph over despair.

There are many interesting features to see at St. Mary's, and the most notable of all exterior objects is the massive tower of two stages. Its great sprawling bulk somehow reminds one of the forbidding appearance of a castle keep. It is fortunate that the tower remains, for right from the beginning of its history this part of the church has given trouble. In 1301 and again in 1311 there were alarming settlements which threatened a new lease of disaster to the fane.

After much wrangling with the bishop of the diocese, the parishioners 'under threat of canonical enforcement and under pain of excommunication' eventually agreed that the swallow angle pilasters at the western corners of the tower be overlaid by two pairs of formidable buttresses, ten feet in depth. By their weight the buttresses arrest the outward lean of the tower and their impressive proportions add considerably to the sentinel's squat and heavy appearance.

The tower contains a heavy octave (tenor 25-2-26). Earliest mention of bells at Hitchin is made in 'Church Bells of Hertfordshire.' In 1552 the 'Church of Hytchin possessed the rather unusual number of vj great bells in the steeple. The six great bells thus described were recast in the year 1689.'

These bells were again recast in September, 1762 and two trebles added by Joseph Eayre of St. Neots. In 1784 the tenor was reintroduced to Edward Arnold's furnace, and further recasting was found unnecessary until 1901 when the treble was refashioned by Warner's, who also rehung the remainder in the present substantial steel frame. The treble at that stage was inscribed:

'With louder bells my voice I raise

To swell the great Creator's praise

Recast John Warner & Sons London, 1901

Recast by Subscriptions raised by Choir

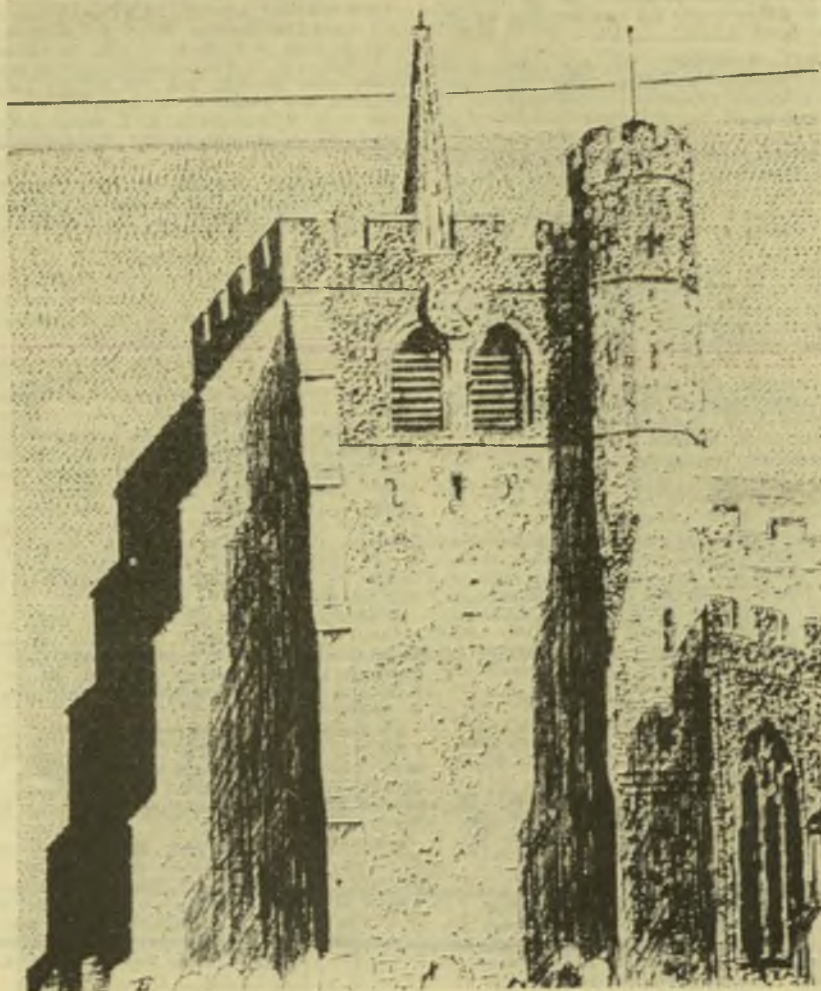
L. Hewsley, Vicar

Wm. Onslow Times, Shillito, Geo. E

Spurr, Churchwardens

H. G. Moulden Organist Oct. 1901.

In 1927 the three heaviest bells were hung in ball bearings, and in 1939 the complete ring was retuned and rehung (all on ball-bearings) by John Taylor & Co., who also recast the treble.



ST. MARY'S CHURCH, HITCHIN.

### INSCRIPTIONS

Treble.—That our sound might again go out in perfect harmony: to Thee honour and glory O God most High; I was recast and the whole Peal was rehung.

Towards the cost £170 was given and collected by the Ringers themselves: O. C. Mears, captain, W. L. Mackennal, C. J. Widdows, A. E. Beck, J. A. Males, churchwardens.

Second.—At proper times my voice I'll raise and sound my subscribers' praise. Sept. 24th (1762).

Third.—John Pilkington Morgan, Vicar, Joseph Margetts Pierson, John Everitt, John Collinson, churchwardens.

Fourth.—We the sacred nuptials joyous proclaim and every sound and every vained peal call smiles of transport from the happy pair. Anno Domini. 1762.

Fifth.—Laudo Deum Verum. Plebem Voco. Congrego (Clerum)? Defunctos Ploro. Pestum Fugo. Festa Decoro. 1762.

Sixth.—Omnia Fiant ad Gloriam Dea. Joseph Eayre. St. Neots cast us all eight. Anno Domini (1762).

Seventh.—Pilkington Morgan, Vicar. John Everitt. John Collinson. Joseph Margetts Pierson. Churchwardens. 1762.

Tenor.—Rev. W. T. Morgan, W. Chapman, W. Powers, T. Goodman, Churchwardens. Edward Arnold, St. Neots. Fecit. T. I to the Church the living call, And to the graves do summon all.

The fourth is a maiden bell.

The Rev. John Pilkington Morgan, whose name is inscribed on the third, was instituted Vicar on August 18th, 1755; he died on July 16th, 1788, aged 72, and is interred within the church. It seems that the name W. T. Morgan, inscribed on the tenor (1784), is an error; it may refer to a curate, but certainly not a Vicar at that time.

### 37 PEALS

A short ascent brings one to a tidy and commodious ringing gallery, from which a good view of the church interior can be obtained. Approximately 37 peals, including Hitchin Surprise, have been rung, the earliest by a local team of ringers on February 20th, 1782, comprising 5,040 changes of Plain Bob Triples. Another 'local' peal materialised on May 12th, 1933, and those who took part were W. J. Houghton, Rev. R. F. J. Routh, A. E. Symonds, W. Houghton, T. R. Scott, H. W. Else, C. V. Hare and L. Fidler.

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## HALF PEAL

**CLAWTON, DEVON.**—On July 27th, 2,520 Plain Bob Minor: J. M. Owen 1, Mary Pryor 2, Susan Jones 3, N. Crowther 4, Rev. J. W. G. Scott 5, N. W. H. Simon (cond.) 6. First half peal for all.

**ASHCOTT, SOMERSET.**—On July 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Catherine Ward (14) (first quarter) 1, Angela French (14) 2, Joy Bagg (14) 3, Janice Haggett (15) 4, K. Prime (cond.) 5, K. Cavill 6.

**AYLESFORD, KENT.**—On July 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Pring 1, W. F. Linksted 2, Aare Funnell 3, G. Avis 4, L. Wells 5, J. Upton 6. Dr. E. S. J. Hatcher 7, D. J. Cheeseman 8. In memory of Albert Green, a ringer at this church for over 50 years.

**BARTON ST. DAVID, SOMERSET.**—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Crocker 1, Miss L. Crocker 2, F. J. White (cond.) 3, R. Parker 4, A. Brown 5, W. Prescott 6. Rung half-muffled before Evensong as a token of respect to Percy Cox, a Sunday service ringer.

**BENFIELDSIDE, CO. DURHAM.**—On August 1st, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. A. Yeates 1, W. Davidson 2, W. Tyson 3, A. G. Craddock 4, J. Crowther 5, M. Maughan (cond.) 6.

**BURRINGTON, SOMERSET.**—On August 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. T. Hebdon 1, M. G. Dodson 2, D. J. Westlake 3, G. Hebdon 4, W. S. Rice (cond.) 5, R. W. Rice 6.

**CHARING, KENT.**—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Sarah Hutchinson (first attempt) 1, J. Anderson (first 'inside') 2, Rev. P. T. Robbins (first as cond.) 3, Mrs. P. T. Robbins 4, P. M. Bradford 5, G. I. Stanborough (first quarter) 6. For Evensong.

**CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.**—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Cooper 1, T. J. Welen 2, M. J. Bura 3, M. D. Fuller 4, J. F. Payne 5, J. H. Payton (cond.) 6. First 'inside' 2 and 4. For Evensong.

**CLAWTON, DEVON.**—1,260 Doubles (eight methods): T. M. Owen (first of Doubles) 1, Mary Pryor 2, Susan Jones 3, N. Crowther 4, N. W. H. Simon (cond.) 5, Rev. J. W. G. Scott 6.

**CRANTOCK, CORNWALL.**—On Aug. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Brenda M. McKenzie (first quarter) 1, A. Locke 2, Valerie J. Perkin 3, Mrs. R. O. Mossop 4, A. J. Davidson (cond.) 5, G. W. Riddy 6.

**ENFIELD, MIDDLESEX.**—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Madeline Thompson 1, R. Wood 2, Ann Luxon 3, Margaret Twigg (first of Triples as cond.) 4, H. Howson 5, D. Reeves (first of Triples) 6, J. Duggan 7, M. Gilby 8. For Communion service, and to congratulate Margaret Twigg on becoming a Queen's Guide.

**EYNESBURY, HUNTS.**—On July 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Prescott 1, J. K. A. Cook 2, W. A. R. Chamberlain 3, F. R. Nicholls 4, A. J. Davey 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss H. A. Prescott.

**FARNWORTH, BOLTON, LANCs.**—On Aug. 5th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: A. Lomas 1, Mrs. J. Good 2, K. Good 3, R. Parkinson 4, N. Tompkins 5, A. Critchley 6, P. Crook, sen. (cond.) 7, C. Brownlow 8. First of Plain Bob Major 1, 2, 4 and 6.

## QUARTER PEALS

**HEMINGFORD ABBOTS, HUNTS.**—On July 26th, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. B. Davey 1, J. K. A. Cook 2, P. Woolven 3, F. R. Nicholls 4, C. L. Bell 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service. Also on Aug. 2nd, 720 Beverley Surprise, 540 Plain Bob Minor: R. B. Davey 1, J. K. A. Cook 2, F. R. Nicholls 3, A. J. Davey 4, C. L. Bell 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. For morning service.

**HEYTESBURY, WILTS.**—On July 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: C. P. Quartley 1, J. H. Nibbs 2, D. L. Nibbs (cond.) 3, R. D. Quartley 4, G. Carter 5, B. Carter 6.

**HIGH LITTLETON, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: W. J. Gait (cond.) 1, Mrs. E. Ford 2, J. Naish 3, S. J. Orman 4, J. Brooks 5. Rung to welcome the brother of the conductor, upon his return from America after 50 years.

**HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.**—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Yates (first on eight) 1, Mrs. R. A. Fardon 2, Miss R. Myllys (first of Grandsire) 3, R. A. Fardon 4, J. Sexton 5, M. J. Palmer 6, J. Hill (cond.) 7, G. W. Hill 8. For Evensong.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On July 26th, 1,320 Doubles (two methods): D. Barker 1, J. Dowse (cond.) 2, R. Blackshaw 3, M. W. Harrison 4, R. Larkin 5. For Evensong. Also on Aug. 2nd, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss S. J. Dowse and Miss D. Barker 1, C. R. Larkin 2, Miss R. Blackshaw 3, M. W. Harrison 4, J. Heaps (cond.) 5, G. A. Dawson 6. For Evensong. Fastest quarter on the bells (36 minutes).

**HONILEY, WARWICKS.**—On July 12th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Grandsire, Plain Bob and April Day): A. C. Morris 1, D. J. Allen (cond.) 2, F. M. Robottom 3, I. P. Unsworth 4, G. W. Randall 5. Rung after the last service conducted here by Rev. R. Windmill.

**KILKHAMPTON, CORNWALL.**—On July 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. M. Owen (first quarter) 1, Susan Jones 2, Mary Pryor 3, H. Stacey 4, N. Crowther 5, N. W. H. Simon (cond.) 6. Rung for Patronal Festival, and christening of Mr. and Mrs. Nunn's daughter.

**KINGSTON-UPON-THAMES, SURREY.**—On Aug. 1st, 1,440 Yorkshire Surprise Royal: Caroline V. Carpenter 1, Rosamund M. Rawlings 2, Deborah Hopkins 3, Judith M. Geiringer 4, P. A. Brand (first of Surprise Royal) 5, A. S. Bishop 6, D. M. Wilkins 7, K. Newman 8, R. N. Harris 9, W. H. Jackson (cond.) 10. First of Yorkshire Royal for 2, 4, 6, 7 and 8.

**LANGAR, NOTTS.**—On July 30th, 1,320 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob Doubles: Miss R. Blackshaw 1, G. A. Dawson (cond.) 2, D. Surman 3, C. R. Larkin 4, M. W. Harrison 5. First in the method 1, 2, 4 and 5.

**LEIGHTON BRUNSWOLD, HUNTS.**—On Aug. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. K. A. Cook 1, C. L. Bell 2, A. J. Davey 3, R. Chapman 4, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 5. Rung for the wedding of Miss Christine R. Gordon-Kerr (Vicar's daughter) and Mr. Ceiwyn H. Shelton.

**OCKHAM, SURREY.**—On Aug. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Lodge (first quarter) 1, Gwen Chinnery 2, A. Luxford 3, C. Chinnery 4, J. King (cond.) 5. For morning service.

**OXFORD.**—On Aug. 9th, at the Church of St. Ebbe, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: A. Gammon 1, A. R. Pink (cond.) 2, C. Coles 3, P. J. Heritage 4, D. J. Roaf 5, R. H. Jones 6. For Evensong.

**PONTYFRID, GLAM.**—On July 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. Thyer 1, P. Jones 2, F. John 3, G. Kerley 4, J. Clatworthy 5, Desmond Kerley 6, David Kerley (cond.) 7, H. Grey 8. To celebrate 50 years as a ringer this day of Mr. F. Thyer, ringer of treble.

**PLYMOUTH, DEVON.**—On July 26th, at St. Andrew's Church, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss Y. C. Porter 1, Mrs. M. A. Bould 2, F. E. Day 3, S. F. O'Shaughnessy 4, H. F. Myers 5, D. R. Bould 6, A. W. Myers (first quarter as cond.) 7, W. J. Harvey 8. For Evensong.

**SANDRIDGE, HERTS.**—On July 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Anna M. Johnston (first quarter) 1, A. W. R. Wilby 2, Nina B. Thomas 3, Barbara M. Goodspeed 4, R. E. Hardy 5, A. R. Carter (cond.) 6.

**STOWING, KENT.**—On Aug. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. E. Davies 1, C. W. J. Beeching 2, M. Ostler 3, G. G. Firman (first as cond., aged 13) 4, F. C. W. Knight 5, D. L. Cawley 6.

**STRATTON, CORNWALL.**—On July 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. M. Owen (first of Triples) 1, Mary Pryor 2, Susan Jones 3, N. Crowther 4, H. Trewin 5, H. Stacey (cond.) 6, N. W. H. Simon 7, J. W. Sangwin 8. Rung for the birth of Mr. J. W. Sangwin's first granddaughter. Also on July 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Halford 1, Mary E. Pryor 2, Susan Jones 3, H. H. Yeates 4, H. Stacey (cond.) 5, N. Crowther 6, N. W. H. Simon 7, R. Renn 8. Rung for combined churches' fête.

**SUNNINGWELL, BERKS.**—On Aug. 6th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Old, April Day, Reverse Canterbury): Jocelyn M. Cooke 1, M. Jones 2, Janet Jones 3, Daphne J. Pollard 4, A. R. Pink (cond.) 5, K. Smith 6. Rung half-muffled on the day of the funeral of William G. Cudd, captain of this tower for many years.

**WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.**—On May 24th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: D. Wright (first quarter) 1, A. Boyack 2, E. Holman 3, C. Wright (first on ten) 4, M. Young 5, K. Warner 6, C. T. Coles 7, P. Chapman 8, D. Hewitt (first as cond. on ten) 9, J. Rixon 10. For Evensong. Also on June 28th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: D. Wright 1, D. Ellisdon 2, J. Baldwin 3, C. Wright 4, M. Young 5, K. Warner 6, P. Fleckney 7, E. Holman 8, D. Hewitt (cond.) 9, J. Rixon 10. For Evensong, and also as a ruby wedding compliment to Mr. F. Maynard, for many years Master of St. Mary's Society, and Mrs. Maynard.

**WESTERLEIGH, GLOS.**—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Margaret Wild 1, Jennifer Coombs 2, P. Delany 3, J. Ferris 4, H. T. Ferris (cond.) 5, M. Webb 6, J. Powell 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. Anne Elizabeth Ferris, wife of John and mother of Herbert Thomas, a ringer for many years at Westerleigh, who died July 23rd, aged 73.

**WEST BRIDGEFORD, NOTTS.**—On July 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Penny Miller 1, W. L. Ratcliffe 2, Juliet Stamper 3, J. W. D. Miller 4, P. K. Else (cond.) 5, G. Butler 6. Rung half-muffled for Evensong in memory of Rev. W. R. Johnson, who died the previous day, aged 88 years, lay reader and curate at St. Giles' for 46 years. Also on July 12th, by the same band, for Evensong; also as a compliment to Jane Tiffin and Royston Blackler, married on July 4th at St. Peter's, Dorchester. Also on July 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Penny Miller 1, Juliet Stamper 2, W. L. Ratcliffe 3, Jane Blackler 4, J. W. D. Miller 5, P. K. Else 6, R. Blackler (cond.) 7, G. Butler 8. For Evensong; also as a Confirmation compliment to Ian Cripps, a regular ringer.

## HITCHIN'S TRIUMPH OVER DESPAIR (Continued)

In pre-war days a very keen band of ringers existed at Hitchin, and the ringing of Bristol Surprise on practice nights was a regular thing. Nowadays a few adults and several young people keep the bells active.

Mr. H. D. Trigg (tower secretary) explained various points of interest to the writer, one of which was a tower clock already ancient when repaired by John Briant, of Hertford, in 1792; it continues to give reliable service. A floor between the bells and the gallery contains a disused tune ringing machine made in 1885 by Gilletts. It has an interesting repertoire, including 'The Bluebells of Scotland.'

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**MR. S. J. POUND**

The Bath and Wells and Salisbury Guilds have lost a valued member by the death on August 3rd of Sidney John Pound after a short illness. He was 88 and had been a keen change ringer for nearly all the years of his long life.

Residing in earlier years at Ditchcat, then at Stoke Trister, he was a regular service and practice ringer at these towers and at Wincanton nearby. For the last nine years he had resided at Templecombe where in spite of advanced age he was still as regular as possible at practices and service ringing. His last ring was in a Sunday morning service touch six weeks before his passing.

The funeral took place at Templecombe on August 7th when several ringers from surrounding parishes attended. The service was conducted by the Rector, Rev. R. S. Jones. The interment was in the churchyard and immediately after the service a half-muffled quarter peal was rung as a tribute to his memory.

It was in three methods (Stedman, Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles) and the following ringers took part: P. Jeanes 1, F. J. Hazzard 2, J. Ralph 3, Mrs. D. J. Howcutt 4, H. P. Sparks (cond.) 5, E. Priddle 6.

The ringers of the 3rd and 6th were from Gillingham and Stourton Caundle and represented the North Dorset Branch, Salisbury Diocesan Guild, of which the deceased was a life member.

P. N. H.

**MR. JACK PAICE**

We regret to hear of the death on August 11th of Mr. Jack Paice, of Croydon, who was trained as a carillonneur in Belgium and held the diploma. For some years he worked for Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, and later for a short time with Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. He was a lovable character and loved bells and ringing, writes a correspondent.

**OBITUARY****MR. FREDERICK W. ROGERS  
AN APPRECIATION**

Mr. B. P. Morris of Ashbourne writes:— I would like to write a few lines in tribute to my old friend Fred Rogers.

It was about 1931 when I first met Fred at Peterborough, on August Bank Holiday Monday at a district annual meeting, with Alf Greenwood, Charlie Roberts and Wilfred Williams, where they tapped off four 'spliced' where in this magnificent church Fred had an ring.

For several years during the early thirties, I spent my holidays at Southsea and was always made welcome at St. Mary's, Portsea, where in this magnificent church Fred had an excellent ring of bells and a band that could ring same.

We spent some very good times together. I recall one peal of Superlative at Shoreham with Keith Hart and Oliver Sippetts. One Sunday evening we went to St. Peter's, Brighton, where Keith Hart really made the most of half an hour's Sunday ringing — no time wasted.

Although Surprise ringing at St. Mary's, Portsea, was then at a high level, Fred never neglected learners, but there was no half-measure in his teaching, nothing slipshod would do.

The Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild have lost a loyal and faithful servant in Fred Rogers who for years was general secretary and later master. I think George Pullinger paid an excellent tribute to him at the Guild's annual meeting, and I think it would have been a nice gesture if the recent peal at Winchester Cathedral had been rung as an 'in memoriam' to so prominent a member of the Exercise.

May he rest in peace.

**MR. P. WESTON**

Denby, Derbyshire, has lost an outstanding personality by the death in Derby City Hospital of Mr. Percy Weston, of Breach Road, Denby Village, aged 79. All his life had been spent at Denby and his service to St. Mary's Church included choirmaster for 71 years, bell-ringer and in charge of the bells for 65 years and verger and sexton. From 1937 until 1963 he was a member of the parish council and also manager and trustee of the village school.

At the funeral service the Vicar, the Rev. John Tranter, said in an address: 'Percy Weston joined the choir at the age of nine and served God and his fellow men faithfully up to the time of his death. He loved the church and its fabric; he cared for the bells and the ropes, and his bell-ringing extended to many other churches in Derbyshire and the adjoining counties.

The bells of the parish church were rung half-muffled on the day preceding his funeral as a tribute to his memory.

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**

Despite the long draught, the meeting of the Bingham District at Langar was a success, with 11 towers being represented and visitors from Melton, Yorkshire, Hull, Newark, Leicester and Nottingham District. The District padre, the Rev. F. W. Stephenie, conducted the service, and tea was prepared by the District's ringing ladies. Ringing continued until 8 p.m.

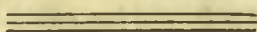
September meeting, Radcliffe, to be followed by the first District ringers' dance in the British Legion Hall.

R. B.

**BOURN, CAMBS.**—On Aug. 4th, 1.280 Superlative Surprise Major: B. D. Threlfall (cond.) 1, D. Murfett 2, Miss G. Williams 3, H. Bishop 4, T. R. Dennis 5, J. G. Gipson 6, P. Bergdahl 7, S. Brown 8.

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Miss Mary Shepherd,  
daughter of Mr. and Mrs.  
Edgar Shepherd, of Warmin-  
ster, was married at Warminster Parish  
Church on August 8th to Mr. John Spencer,  
son of the Rev. E. Spencer, Vicar of St.  
Christopher's, Springfield, Birmingham. The  
bride has been teaching at Marlborough Gram-  
mar School for the past two years and her  
husband is a master at Solihull School. The  
bells of the Minster Church were well rung  
for the service but unfortunately a quarter  
peal in the evening was lost in the last few  
leads.

A cockle and shrimp tea was provided by  
Southend and District Guild to mark the  
Golden Jubilee of the borough.

Miss Lynda Challinor is the new secretary  
of St. Peter's Church, Woolton, Liverpool.  
Her address is 10, Dominic Close, Childwall,  
Liverpool 16.

Mr. Edward W. Martin, of Great Bowden,  
had the pleasure of steering through their first  
peal the rest of the band who rang a peal of  
Doubles at Marston Trussell on August 3rd.

Mr. Peter S. Bennett thanks Mr. R. D.  
Hart for standing in the peal at Arley on  
August 3rd at very short notice and great per-  
sonal inconvenience.

The ringer of the 3rd in the peal of Sted-  
man Cinques at Lincoln Cathedral on April  
23rd, 1964, was Peter A. Sharp and not Norah  
M. Randles as published.

In the peal of Grandsire Triples at Thur-  
caston, Leics, on Whit Monday, Raymond  
Benfield should have appeared instead of J.  
Richard Perkins. The conductor sends his  
apologies.

Mrs. A. Salter, of Hyson Green, Nottingham,  
writes thanking all ringers who visited her  
husband while in hospital. She is pleased to  
say that he is now at home at 64, Randal  
Street, and is progressing slowly.

Mr. J. E. Jeater will be away from home  
from August 20th to September 5th. Will all  
changes of address, remittances and other  
correspondence be sent to the Editor of 'The  
Ringing World' during this period.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

For more than 200 years  
oscillation of Magdalen  
Tower, Oxford, has been pre-  
valent. The bells have been lowered 40 feet  
and are now housed in the old ringing cham-  
ber. The bell frame, put in by Mr. F. White's  
grandfather, was found to be in a perfect con-  
dition despite the fact that certain parts of  
the beam removed from the tower were riddled  
with 'death watch.' A new ringing chamber,  
14ft. 11ins. high, has been provided and there  
is a clock chamber above that before reaching  
the bells.

The bells of Weldon, Northants, have been  
rehung by Mr. Frank White, of Appleton, and  
are now ringing again after a silence of two  
years. The treble and tenor (8 cwt. 3 qr.  
26 lbs.) have been recast by Messrs. Mears and  
Stainbank.

We thank a Kent ringer for meeting one-  
hundred and twentieth of the £60 extra en-  
tailed in our endeavours to get the journal to  
readers during the postal dispute. He adds:  
'I hope that all postal subscribers appreciate  
your action as much as I did, and will re-  
imburse you for the expense incurred.'

'A ringing belle' from a Derbyshire tower  
asks if Darley Dale dropped a clanger:

'November the thirtieth,

St. Andrew's Day to a Scot,

Is also Winston's birthday,

July 29th is not.'

During a recent Tuesday practice at Wim-  
borne Minster, five Bishops rang in a touch  
of Grandsire Doubles. They were not black-  
gaited gentlemen but members of the Bishop  
family of Wimborne, and included two bro-  
thers, one son, one daughter and a niece. The  
top six were rung on this occasion with a  
friend ringing the sixth.

Long Eaton public library has ordered three  
books on change ringing. A sudden demand  
for literature on bellringing? No, the librarian  
is a ringer and why should he buy books when  
the ratepayers can do it for him? The  
librarian is Mr. C. Browne; he is learning to  
ring at Breaston and is making good progress  
with Bob Doubles.—'The Belfry News,' the  
newspaper of the Derbyshire bellringers.

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## A SUMMER HOLIDAY IN KENT

## ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

SEAL.—At the Church of St. Lawrence.

On Mon., July 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Norwich S., D. Oxford, St. Clement's, Cambridge, Kent, Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob.

Susan E. Smith .. .. Treble	Neville F. Whittell .. .. 4
John Robinson .. .. 2	*Brian B. Hullah .. .. 5
Anthony H. Smith .. .. 3	Alan M. Barber .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN M. BARBER.

\* 25th peal.

BRENCHLEY.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Wed., July 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Middleton's.	Tenor 17½ cwt. in E.
A. Trevor Hawkins .. Treble	Neville F. Whittell .. .. 5
*Katharine M. Guy .. .. 2	Giles B. Thompson .. .. 6
†Anthony R. Cope .. .. 3	Alan M. Barber .. .. 7
Anthony H. Smith .. .. 4	John Robinson .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GILES B. THOMPSON.

\* First peal in the method. † First of Surprise Major.

WROTHAM.—At the Church of St. George.

On Thurs., July 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 20 cwt. 10 lb.	
Katharine M. Guy .. Treble	Brian B. Hullah .. .. 5
Neville F. Whittell .. .. 2	Alan M. Barber .. .. 6
Anthony H. Smith .. .. 3	John Robinson .. .. 7
Susan E. Smith .. .. 4	*Giles B. Thompson .. Tenor

Composed by ROGER BALDWIN. Conducted by ALAN M. BARBER.

\* 125th peal.

EAST SUTTON.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Fri., July 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MINOR

In 16 methods: (1) Oswald, Kentish and Edinburgh Delight; (2) Cambridge, Beverley and Surfleet Surprise; (3) Kent and Oxford T.B., (4) D. Oxford and Thelwall B., (5) St. Clement's and Childwall B., (6) Double and Fulbeck B., (7) S. Oxford and Plain Bob; 77 changes of method.

Tenor 10 cwt.	
A. Trevor Hawkins .. Treble	Brian B. Hullah .. .. 4
Neville F. Whittell .. .. 2	Giles B. Thompson .. .. 5
Anthony H. Smith .. .. 3	Alan M. Barber .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GILES B. THOMPSON.

Most methods 'spliced' by all.

## A WEEK IN SOUTH BUCKS AND EAST BERKS

## ALL PEALS FOR THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

DORNEY, Buckinghamshire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Mon., July 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

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

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb.	
Sydney M. Bailey .. Treble	William Birmingham .. 4
William Birmingham, jun. 2	Michael Hatchett .. .. 5
Giles R. Shedden .. .. 3	David P. Hilling .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL HATCHETT.

WOOBURN, Buckinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Paul.

On Mon., July 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in E.	
David P. Hilling .. Treble	William Birmingham .. 5
*William Birmingham, jun. 2	Michael Hatchett .. .. 6
Giles R. Shedden .. .. 3	Wilfrid G. Wilson .. .. 7
Sydney M. Bailey .. .. 4	Thomas J. Lock .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. TIPLER. Conducted by THOMAS J. LOCK.

\* First peal of Major 'inside,' and first of Surprise.

CHALFONT ST. PETER, Bucks.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Tues., July 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

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

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 lb.	
Sydney M. Bailey .. Treble	William Birmingham .. 4
William Birmingham, jun. 2	Michael Hatchett .. .. 5
Anthony K. Fortin .. .. 3	David P. Hilling .. .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL HATCHETT.

Rung as a compliment to Canon A. C. McKenzie, who is retiring after 31 years as vicar.

MAIDENHEAD, Berkshire.—At the Church of All Saints, Boyne Hill.

On Tues., July 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 13 lb. in E.	
Giles R. Shedden .. Treble	Sydney M. Bailey .. .. 5
G. William Critchley .. 2	David P. Hilling .. .. 6
Claudia A. Critchley .. 3	William Birmingham .. 7
Michael Hatchett .. .. 4	Frederick R. Scott .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY.

BEACONSFIELD, Bucks.—At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints.

On Wed., July 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in E flat.	
Michael Hatchett .. Treble	Sydney M. Bailey .. .. 5
Kathleen E. Fletcher .. 2	William Birmingham .. 6
Giles R. Shedden .. .. 3	David P. Hilling .. .. 7
Derek Francis .. .. 4	A. Patrick Cannon .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. MIDDLETON. Conducted by DAVID P. HILLING.

WINDSOR, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Thurs., July 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in E.	
Giles R. Shedden .. Treble	William Birmingham .. 5
David P. Hilling .. .. 2	Sydney M. Bailey .. .. 6
Claudia A. Critchley .. 3	Michael Hatchett .. .. 7
William Birmingham, jun. 4	Frank T. Blagrove .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRANK T. BLAGROVE.

HUGHENDEN, Bucks.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Fri., July 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 FORDCOMBE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb. in F.	
*Anthony K. Fortin .. Treble	Sydney M. Bailey .. .. 5
Michael Hatchett .. .. 2	Giles R. Shedden .. .. 6
David P. Hilling .. .. 3	Wilfrid G. Wilson .. .. 7
William Birmingham .. 4	Thomas J. Lock .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW. Conducted by DAVID P. HILLING.

\* 25th peal. First in the method by all except the tenor ringer.

BURNHAM, Buckinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In three methods, comprising 1,760 each of Cambridge and Yorkshire, and 1,600 Lincolnshire; with 84 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell.

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb. in F sharp.	
William Birmingham .. Treble	John Hill .. .. 5
Dennis Knox .. .. 2	Thomas J. Lock .. .. 6
Sydney M. Bailey .. .. 3	Wilfrid G. Wilson .. .. 7
Giles R. Shedden .. .. 4	David P. Hilling .. Tenor

Composed by P. G. K. DAVIES. Conducted by DAVID P. HILLING.

## TWELVE AND TEN BELL PEALS

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

MACCLESFIELD, Cheshire.—At Christ Church.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb.	
A. Peter Whitehead .. Treble	Edward Jenkins .. .. 6
Frank Osbaldiston .. 2	John Worth .. .. 7
Derek Yates .. .. 3	William Dowse .. .. 8
Alan McFall .. .. 4	Basil Jones .. .. 9
Harold C. Lonyon .. .. 5	Alan A. Potts .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. K. LEWIS. Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

GRANTHAM, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Wulfram.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 32 cwt. 1 qr. 11 lb. in C sharp.	
Philip Mehew .. Treble	Denis A. Frith .. .. 6
F. John Nelson .. .. 2	Kenneth J. Hesketh .. 7
W. Eric Critchley .. .. 3	Eric N. Harrison .. .. 8
Alan F. Thirst .. .. 4	Ralph G. Edwards .. .. 9
Tudor P. Edwards .. .. 5	Wilfred Williams .. Tenor

Composed by C. K. LEWIS. Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

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

On Sun., Aug. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 15 cwt. 23 lb. in D.	
Philip Mehew .. Treble	Kenneth J. Hesketh .. 6
Wilfred Williams .. .. 2	David J. Llewellyn .. 7
William A. Theobald .. 3	Eric N. Harrison .. .. 8
W. Eric Critchley .. .. 4	Tudor P. Edwards .. .. 9
F. John Nelson .. .. 5	Ralph G. Edwards .. Tenor

Composed by C. K. LEWIS. Conducted by W. ERIC CRITCHLEY.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

BIRMINGHAM.—At the Church of St. Martin.

On Tues., Aug. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 37 cwt. in C.	
Henry H. Fearn .. Treble	David J. Purnell .. .. 7
Sidney O'C. Holloway .. 2	Richard C. Ingram .. 8
J. Alan Ainsworth .. 3	Norman J. Goodman .. 9
Charles A. S. Webb .. 4	George E. Fearn .. .. 10
Frank E. Haynes .. .. 5	John A. Anderson .. 11
Frederick Ross .. .. 6	Clifford A. Barron .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CHILCOTT. Conducted by FRANK E. HAYNES.

A farewell to the conductor, who is returning to Cambridge after 35 years at St. Martin's.



# ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Thurs., Aug. 6, 1964, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 31 cwt. in D.

Frank E. Haynes .. .. Treble	David J. Purnell .. .. 7
Martin D. Fellows .. .. 2	Charles A. S. Webb .. .. 8
Ann E. Fellows .. .. 3	Norman J. Goodman .. .. 9
Susan Funnell .. .. 4	J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. 10
Michael J. Fellows .. .. 5	Clifford A. Barron .. .. 11
Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 6	George E. Fearn .. .. Tenor

Arranged by RODERICK W. PIPE.

A farewell to the conductor.

Conducted by FRANK E. HAYNES.

# THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

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

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PUDSEY SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 34 cwt. 3 qr. 12 lb. in D flat.

William A. Theobald .. .. Treble	David J. Llewellyn .. .. 6
F. John Nelson .. .. 2	Philip Mehew .. .. 7
W. Eric Critchley .. .. 3	Ralph G. Edwards .. .. 8
Eric N. Harrison .. .. 4	Tudor P. Edwards .. .. 9
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 5	Wilfred Williams .. .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by WILFRED WILLIAMS.

# EIGHT BELL PEALS

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

MAULDEN, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Wed., July 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. in F sharp.

Kathleen A. Rivett .. .. Treble	Alfred E. Rushton .. .. 5
*Ronald J. Sharp .. .. 2	Robert L. Piron .. .. 6
†David R. Saunderson .. .. 3	C. Edward Jeffries .. .. 7
Philip Mehew .. .. 4	Stephen Ivon .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by STEPHEN IVON.

\* 350th Surprise peal. † First of London Surprise.

DUNSTABLE, Bedfordshire.—At the Priory Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 15 lb. in E flat.

David R. Saunderson .. .. Treble	Stephen Ivon .. .. 5
Ronald J. Sharp .. .. 2	James R. Taylor .. .. 6
Jennifer M. Taylor .. .. 3	Alfred E. Rushton .. .. 7
Sheila I. Smith .. .. 4	Peter Border .. .. Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX.

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

EATON SOCON, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb. in F.

Alfred E. Rushton .. .. Treble	James H. Edwards .. .. 5
David R. Saunderson .. .. 2	James R. Taylor .. .. 6
Jennifer M. Taylor .. .. 3	Peter Border .. .. 7
Ronald J. Sharp .. .. 4	Stephen Ivon .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by STEPHEN IVON.

BEDFORD.—At the Church of St. Paul.

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 28 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lb. in D.

David R. Saunderson .. .. Treble	James R. Taylor .. .. 5
Jennifer M. Taylor .. .. 2	Peter Border .. .. 6
Ronald J. Sharp .. .. 3	Alfred E. Rushton .. .. 7
Anthony H. Smith .. .. 4	Stephen Ivon .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by STEPHEN IVON.

MAULDEN, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. in F sharp.

Stephen Ivon .. .. Treble	Anthony H. Smith .. .. 5
Jennifer M. Taylor .. .. 2	James R. Taylor .. .. 6
David R. Saunderson .. .. 3	Alfred E. Rushton .. .. 7
Ronald J. Sharp .. .. 4	Peter Border .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVON.

Conducted by PETER BORDER.

# THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

MARPLE, Cheshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Tues., Aug. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb.

*Alec Osbaldiston .. .. Treble	†Alan McFall .. .. 5
†Shirley Harris .. .. 2	Philip G. K. Davies .. .. 6
†Derek F. Yates .. .. 3	Frank Osbaldiston .. .. 7
William H. Dowse .. .. 4	Brian Harris .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW.

Conducted by BRIAN HARRIS.

\* First peal on eight bells, and first of Surprise. † First of Yorkshire 'inside.' ‡ First of Yorkshire. First in the method on the bells. In memoriam Rachael Fidler, of Loughborough.

# THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

TOTNES, Devon.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.

Tenor 28 cwt. in D.

Norman Mallett .. .. Treble	Donald J. Roberts .. .. 5
Margaret A. Bould .. .. 2	George E. Retter .. .. 6
D. Roy Bould .. .. 3	*William J. Harvey .. .. 7
John Quick .. .. 4	Frank D. Mack .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE E. RETTER.

\* First peal of Triples 'inside.'

Rung as a 90th birthday compliment to Mr. E. J. Ryall, vice-president of the Guild.

# THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CAMBRIDGE.—At the Church of St. Andrew-the-Great.

On Sun., Aug. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr.

George E. Thoday .. .. Treble	Martin Press .. .. 5
Carolyn E. Vibert .. .. 2	D. John Hunt .. .. 6
Jennifer M. B. Cook .. .. 3	Gordon W. Land .. .. 7
Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 4	Robert C. Kippin .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by ROBERT C. KIPPIN.

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

On Sun., Aug. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in G.

Martin Press .. .. Treble	Donald F. Murfet .. .. 5
*Jennifer M. B. Cook .. .. 2	†George E. Thoday .. .. 6
†Robert C. Kippin .. .. 3	D. John Hunt .. .. 7
Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 4	Gordon W. Land .. .. Tenor

Composed by NORMAN SMITH.

Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

\* 25th peal. † 250th peal. ‡ 275th peal.

# THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

ARDLEIGH, Essex.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 13½ cwt.

*Stephen D. Humphrey .. Treble	†Peter G. Pitt .. .. 5
Alan R. Andrews .. .. 2	Frank B. Lufkin .. .. 6
George B. Collins .. .. 3	Harry J. Millatt .. .. 7
†Frances M. Smith .. .. 4	Adrian G. Semken .. .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by FRANK B. LUFKIN.

\* First peal. † First of Major. ‡ First of Major 'inside.'

Rung to celebrate the 81st anniversary of the rededication of the church; also as a welcome to Paul Benjamin Lufkin, second grandson of the conductor.

# THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

CRANLEIGH, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Mon., July 27, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5024 VALBOURNE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in F.

Patricia Diserens .. .. Treble	Stanley G. Ponting .. .. 5
E. Jane Sibson .. .. 2	Derek E. Sibson .. .. 6
William T. Beeson .. .. 3	Ronald F. Diserens .. .. 7
Edgar R. Rapley .. .. 4	W. Leslie Weller .. .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.

First peal in the method by all the band, and for the Guild.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the Editor of 'The Ringing World.'

# THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

TRING, Herts.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

C. Valerie Mills .. .. Treble	D. Kay Adkins .. .. 5
Augustin V. Good .. .. 2	*Keith D. Waples .. .. 6
*Jonathan D. Chamberlain .. 3	*Brian M. Barker .. .. 7
*Howard Collings .. .. 4	Antony R. Kench .. .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD.

Conducted by ANTONY R. KENCH.

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

BENINGTON, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 BERMONDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

J. Stuart Hutton .. .. Treble	Vernon Green .. .. 5
G. William Critchley .. .. 2	J. Richard Castledine .. 6
Claudia A. Critchley .. .. 3	Colin A. S. Harwood .. .. 7
Peter J. Coles .. .. 4	Dennis Knox .. .. Tenor

Composed by DENNIS KNOX.

Conducted by G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY.

First peal in the method.

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## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

CRAYFORD, Kent.—At the Church of St. Paulinus.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 COTSWOLD SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in F sharp.

Doris E. Colgate .. .. Treble	Robert W. Hinde .. .. 5
Olive D. Tester .. .. 2	Edward J. Jenner .. .. 6
Ann Jenner .. .. 3	Colin A. Tester .. .. 7
Hilary F. Martin .. .. 4	Stanley Jenner .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. TIFLER.

Conducted by STANLEY JENNER.  
First peal in the method by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

ADLINGTON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Paul.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 14 methods, comprising 448 Bristol, 384 each of Ashtead, Cambridge, Cassiobury, Lincolnshire, Lindum, London, Pudsey, Rutland, Superlative, Uxbridge and Yorkshire. 192 each Cornwall and Cray; with 130 changes of method.

Walter E. Wilkinson .. Treble	Ernest Bennett .. .. 5
James H. Pailing .. .. 2	Cyril Crossthwaite .. .. 6
Philip J. Crossthwaite .. 3	Norman Smith .. .. 7
Richard J. Parker .. .. 4	J. Barry Pickup .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NORMAN SMITH.

Greatest number of methods rung to a peal of Spliced Surprise Major by all except tenor ringer.

WHITWORTH, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew.

On Fri., Aug. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in F.

Derek Butterworth .. Treble	Philip Crossthwaite .. .. 5
Richard S. Starkie .. .. 2	Richard J. Parker .. .. 6
J. Colin Ashworth .. .. 3	Geoffrey Cheetham .. .. 7
Margaret E. Fort .. .. 4	Jeffrey Kershaw .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by DEREK BUTTERWORTH.  
Rung to celebrate the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. P. J. H. Hudson.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

THURCASTON, Leicestershire.—At the Latimer Church of All Saints.

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 REVERSE CANTERBURY PLEASURE TRIPLES

Tenor 10 cwt.

A. Knights' .. .. Treble	*Maurice R. A. Kirk .. .. 5
*Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. Treble	*Roger I. Kendrick .. .. 6
*Harry Poyner .. .. 2	*B. Stedman Payne .. .. 7
*Mary C. Poyner .. .. 3	Frederick T. Bindley .. Tenor
*Michael W. Brown .. .. 4	

Conducted by B. STEDMAN PAYNE.

\*First peal of Rev. Canterbury Triples.

QUORN, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew.

On Thurs., Aug. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb.

Bruerton's Twelve-Part .. Treble	B. Stedman Payne .. .. 5
Mary C. Poyner .. .. 2	Rupert A. Clarke .. .. 6
Roger I. Kendrick .. .. 3	Harry Poyner .. .. 7
*E. Alan Jacques .. .. 4	J. Richard Perkins .. .. Tenor
Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. 4	

Conducted by B. STEDMAN PAYNE.

\*First peal of Grandsire Triples. 100th as conductor on tower bells.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

BARTON-ON-HUMBER, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Robert T. Harrison .. Treble	*John H. Parker .. .. 5
Stephen Bromfield .. .. 2	Septimus Neeve .. .. 6
Jack Bray .. .. 3	Eric Hotine .. .. 7
Ronald Chafer .. .. 4	Michael W. Crowder .. Tenor

Composed by F. BENNETT. Conducted by MICHAEL W. CROWDER.

\*First peal of Major. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 2 lb.  
Rung to commemorate the 1,295th anniversary of the founding of this church; also a mark of esteem and gratitude to Sir Winston Churchill on his retirement.

EDENHAM, Lincs.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in F.

Tudor P. Edwards .. Treble	David J. Llewellyn .. .. 5
F. John Nelson .. .. 2	Kenneth J. Heskeith .. .. 6
Alan F. Thirst .. .. 3	*Eric N. Harrison .. .. 7
William A. Theobald .. 4	Philip Mehew .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

\*300th peal. 100th peal in the tower.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 11 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 NAILSTONE SURPRISE MAJOR

G. Ronald Edwards .. Treble	Brian G. Warwick .. .. 5
Sandra E. Chesterton .. 2	Joseph Wm. Cotton .. .. 6
Rev. Malcolm C. C. Melville 3	David J. Allen .. .. 7
Dan S. Pont .. .. 4	A. James Poyner .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. BARTON.

Conducted by A. JAMES POYNOR.  
First peal in the method by all except the ringers of 5 and tenor, and for the Guild. Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb.

OVERSEALE, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Matthew.

On Tues., July 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in A flat.

*Edwin N. Deakin .. Treble	††Dan S. Pont .. .. 5
Sandra E. Chesterton .. 2	‡Rev. Malcolm C. C. Melville 6
Richard J. Clifton .. .. 3	Joseph Wm. Cotton .. .. 7
Brian G. Warwick .. .. 4	A. James Poyner .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK.

Conducted by A. JAMES POYNOR.  
\*First peal on eight bells. †First in the method. ‡25th peal together. Composition contains 123 calls.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD

DAVENTRY, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of the Holy Cross.

On Fri., July 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.

Avril Ivin .. .. Treble	Graham C. Paul .. .. 5
Malcolm J. V. Chown .. 2	Barrie Hendry .. .. 6
David J. Marshall .. .. 3	Stephen Ivin .. .. 7
Alan A. Paul .. .. 4	Patrick I. Chapman .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by STEPHEN IVIN.

Rung in memoriam Mrs. Winifred Chown, mother of Malcolm Chown, for many years a Church worker and teacher in this parish.

MOULTON, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 ZELAH SURPRISE MAJOR

Charles E. Truman .. Treble	Barry E. Saunders .. .. 5
Roger W. Smith .. .. 2	Alan A. Paul .. .. 6
William J. Chester .. .. 3	Graham C. Paul .. .. 7
David Burbidge .. .. 4	George W. Holland .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by GEORGE W. HOLLAND.

First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Guild. Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb. in F.

DAVENTRY, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of the Holy Cross.

On Fri., Aug. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 TURVEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.

Stanley F. Webb .. Treble	L. Michael Callow .. .. 5
Avril Ivin .. .. 2	Colin Sweeney .. .. 6
Stephen Ivin .. .. 3	Richard F. B. Speed .. .. 7
Patrick I. Chapman .. .. 4	Peter Border .. .. Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN.

Conducted by PETER BORDER.  
First peal in the method, which is a pure Triples method. This is the first peal of Triples with the tenor turned in deliberately.

## THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS

COLEMAN'S HATCH, Sussex.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sun., July 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5408 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In nine methods, comprising 1,024 London, 800 Watford, 768 Bristol, 640 Cambridge, 512 each of Dorchester and Pudsey, 416 Cassiobury, 384 Superlative and 352 Lincoln; with 123 changes of method, and all the work of each method for each bell.

Tenor 11 cwt. 7 qr. 2 lb. in G.

Ann Jenner .. Treble	Stanley Jenner .. .. 5
E. Jane Sibson .. .. 2	*Edwin A. Barnett .. .. 6
Derek E. Sibson .. .. 3	*Peter Beresford .. .. 7
*Sheila M. Dobbie .. .. 4	†Dennis Beresford .. .. Tenor

Composed by ALBERT J. PIFMAN. Conducted by DENNIS BERESFORD.

\*First peal of 9-Spliced Surprise Major. †250th peal. First of 9-Spliced Surprise Major for the Society.

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THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.  
LLANFEIGAN, Breconshire.—At the Church of St. Meugan.  
*On Fri., July 10, 1964, in 3 Hours.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Pitstow's. Tenor 12 cwt. 19 lb. in G.  
\*Robert E. J. Dennis .. Treble Mary S. Taylor .. 5  
Louise G. Gallini .. 3 Timothy G. Pett .. 6  
Shelagh R. Collins .. 3 Jeremy A. M. Salter .. 7  
Elizabeth T. Birmingham 4 †Richard O. Humphries .. Tenor

Conducted by SHELAGH R. COLLINS.  
\* First peal on eight bells. † First peal of Surprise 'inside.'  
First of Surprise as conductor.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
WITHYHAM, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.  
*On Sun., July 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 GLASGOW SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 15 cwt. 9 lb. in F.  
Leonard Stilwell .. Treble \*Raymond P. Wood .. 5  
Patricia Diserens .. 2 \*Derek E. Sibson .. 6  
\*E. Jane Sibson .. 3 Ronald F. Diserens .. 7  
\*Edgar R. Rapley .. 4 \*W. Leslie Weller .. Tenor  
Composed by W. E. CRITCHLEY. Conducted by DEREK E. SIBSON.  
\* First peal in the method. 750th for Mr. L. Stilwell. First in the method for the Association.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

NORTON, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Egwin.  
*On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Henry Johnson's variation. Tenor 14 cwt. in F.  
Geoffrey J. Hemming .. Treble Paul Cattermole .. 5  
John C. Eisel .. 2 †Gerald C. Hemming .. 6  
Arthur C. Berry .. 3 Martin D. Fellows .. 7  
\*Ian Lloyd .. 4 Michael J. Fellows .. Tenor  
Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON.  
Conducted by MARTIN D. FELLOWS.  
\* First peal of Surprise Major 'inside.' † 225th peal, and 25th of Cambridge Surprise Major.

OLD SWINFORD, Stourbridge, Worcs.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
*On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Henry Johnson's variation. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 12 lb. in F sharp.  
Peter L. Bill .. Treble Geoffrey Westwood .. 5  
Clifford Skidmore .. 2 Michael J. Fellows .. 6  
Paul W. Webb .. 3 John C. Eisel .. 7  
Raymond Smith .. 4 Martin D. Fellows .. Tenor  
Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON.  
Conducted by MICHAEL J. FELLOWS.

CHURCHILL, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of All Saints.  
*On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in G.  
Ian Lloyd .. Treble Martin D. Fellows .. 5  
Michael G. Selby .. 2 Michael J. Fellows .. 6  
Arthur C. Berry .. 3 Gerald C. Hemming .. 7  
Edward W. Colley .. 4 Geoffrey J. Hemming .. Tenor  
Composed by RICHARD F. B. SPEED.  
Conducted by GERALD C. HEMMING.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
SKIPTON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.  
*On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**  
Tenor 22 cwt. 17 lb. in E flat.  
John S. Rank .. Treble \*Christopher C. Brown .. 5  
\*Keith Goldthorpe .. 2 \*David S. Johnson .. 6  
\*Ronald Ducker .. 3 \*Ian G. Campbell .. 7  
Alan W. A. Leggett .. 4 Wilfrid F. Moreton .. Tenor  
Composed by E. BARNETT. Conducted by WILFRID F. MORETON.  
\* First peal in the method.  
A wedding compliment to James Woolford and Jean Barnett.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
ASHCOTT, Somerset.—At the Church of All Saints.  
*On Mon., July 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**  
Tenor 12 cwt. 21 lb. in F.  
\*Joy Bagg (14) .. Treble \*Janice Haggett (15) .. 4  
\*Keith Cavill .. 2 Keith Prime .. 5  
\*David Dean (13) .. 3 Frank Paramore .. Tenor  
Conducted by KEITH PRIME.  
\* First peal. First as conductor.  
Birthday compliments to ringers of treble, 3, Angela French (14) and Mr. B. Prime, local ringers.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
HARROLD, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Peter or All Saints.  
*On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**  
Being seven extents in five different callings.  
Tenor 13 cwt. 6 lb. in F sharp.  
\*Jeremy Ames .. Treble †Frank W. Rivett .. 4  
†Kathleen A. Rivett .. 2 John B. Long .. 5  
\*Margaret R. Field .. 3 Martyn J. Marriott .. Tenor  
Conducted by MARTYN J. MARRIOTT.  
\* First peal. † 25th peal. ‡ 40th peal. First as conductor. 56th peal on the bells.  
Rung in honour of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. C. Gilbert.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
TAXAL, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. James.  
*On Wed., July 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN DOUBLES**  
Being 42 extents (ten callings). Tenor 11 cwt. 23 lb. in G.  
\*Alan McFall .. Treble †Derek F. Yates .. 4  
Robert J. Warriolow .. 2 Basil Jones .. 5  
Robert B. Smith .. 3 \*Brian Schofield .. Tenor  
Conducted by ROBERT B. SMITH.  
\* First peal of Stedman. † First of Stedman 'inside.' First of Stedman Doubles by all the band. The ringers of 2, 3 and 5 have now completed peals of Stedman from Doubles to Cinques.  
In memoriam Joseph Hall (84), of Miles Platting.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.  
ARLEY, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Wilfred.  
*On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 16 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR**  
Being seven extents in seven different methods: Oxford T.B., York Surprise, Durham Surprise, Beverley Surprise, Surfleet Surprise, Cambridge Surprise and Kent T.B. Tenor 7 cwt. 12 lb.  
Raymond D. Hart .. Treble \*F. Mark Robottom .. 4  
Ann E. Fellows .. 2 Ian P. Unsworth .. 5  
David J. Allen .. 3 Peter S. Bennett .. Tenor  
Conducted by PETER S. BENNETT.  
\* First peal in seven methods.

IBSTOCK, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Denys.  
*On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**  
Nigel A. Crowther .. Treble Ian P. Unsworth .. 4  
\*F. Mark Robottom .. 2 George P. Hammond .. 5  
Peter S. Bennett .. 3 David J. Allen .. Tenor  
Conducted by DAVID J. ALLEN.  
\* First peal of Surprise. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 27½ lb.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
MELDRETH, Cambs.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.  
*On Mon., July 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**  
Being seven extents. Tenor 11½ cwt.  
\*Gerald Barnard .. Treble \*Alan Ling .. 4  
Ernest W. Brown .. 2 John Gipson .. 5  
Brian Horrell .. 3 W. J. Ridgman .. Tenor  
Conducted by JOHN GIPSON.  
\* First peal

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
CHERITON, Kent.—At the Church of St. Martin.  
*On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**  
Being seven different extents. Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in A.  
Anne Barber .. Treble Eleanor M. Hough .. 4  
Jane M. Hough .. 2 Alan P. S. Berry .. 5  
Rachel J. Sinden .. 3 \*J. Richard Hough .. Tenor  
Conducted by J. RICHARD HOUGH.  
\* 50th peal First of Minor as conductor.

CHISLET, Kent.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.  
*On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**  
Being seven different callings. Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.  
Anthony E. Davies .. Treble Martin Ostler (15) .. 4  
\*Gwynneth M. James (14) 2 David L. Cawley .. 5  
Graham G. Firman (13) 3 Frank C. W. Knight .. Tenor  
Conducted by FRANK C. W. KNIGHT.  
\* First peal 'inside.' The conductor's 60th peal for the Association.  
Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar, the Rev. G. H. A. Stephens, M.A., B.Litt., whose induction took place on August 6th.

LITTLE CHART, Kent.—At the Church of St. Mary of the Holy Rood.  
*On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR**  
Being seven different extents. Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. in B.  
Andrew M. Macve .. Treble Ian H. Oram .. 4  
\*Ann Jenner .. 2 Stanley Jenner .. 5  
Mary S. Taylor .. 3 John Faircloth .. Tenor  
Conducted by IAN H. ORAM.  
\* First peal of London Minor. First in the method on the bells.



**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY, Lancs.—At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist.

*On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 12½ cwt. 8 lb. in G.  
Joseph Thornley .. .. Treble | Brian A. Tomlinson .. 4  
\*Margaret E. Fort .. .. 2 | James Cunliffe .. .. 5  
\*Christopher P. Lomax .. 3 | \*Geoffrey Fothergill .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY FOTHERGILL.

\*First peal of Cambridge Minor.  
Rung to the glory of God; also to the memory of Alfred Hope Patten (priest), late Rector of Walsingham, in whose memory a cloister was blessed and dedicated this day. The burned-out Parish Church of St. Mary and All Saints (now restored) was also reconsecrated on this day.

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.  
*On Tues., July 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents. Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in B.  
Maurice R. A. Kirk .. .. Treble | Michael J. Roberts .. 4  
Stephen Hall .. .. 2 | Dan S. Pont .. .. 5  
Rupert A. Clarke .. .. 3 | Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. Tenor

Conducted by REV. M. C. C. MELVILLE.

MARSTON TRUSSEL, Northants.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.  
*On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 24 extents Plain Bob (four callings) and 18 Grandsire (ten ordinary, two Pitman's and two Morris' 240's). Tenor 8½ cwt.  
Philip Bosworth .. .. Treble | Raymond H. Martin .. 3  
Judy Morris .. .. 2 | Arnold S. Goad .. .. 4

Edward W. Martin .. .. Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD W. MARTIN.

First peal for all except conductor.

WALTON-LE-WOLDS, Leics.—At the Church of St. Mary.

*On Wed., Aug. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In 42 methods, being extents of Dedworth, Primrose, Grandsire, Wychbold, Salwarpe, Newborough, Plain Bob, Kennington, Old, April Day, Seighford, Hudibras, St. Simon, St. Albans, Cassington, Eynsham, Elford, Shropham, St. Martin, St. Peter, St. Leonard, Shareshill, Mileham, Southrepps, Rev. Canterbury Pleasure, St. Columba, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, Campion, St. Giles, St. Nicholas, St. Thomas, St. Andrew, Austrey, Norwich, St. Miles, Winchendon Place, St. Luke, St. John, Ryton and Walsingham. Tenor 10 cwt. 18 lb.  
\*Roger I. Kendrick .. .. Treble | B. Stedman Payne .. 3  
\*Mary C. Poyner .. .. 2 | \*Harry Poyner .. .. 4

\*E. Alan Jacques .. .. Tenor

Conducted by B. STEDMAN PAYNE.

\*First peal of Doubles in 42 methods/variations.

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
BLANKNEY, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Oswald.  
*On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent each of St. Clement's, Double Court, Single Court, Single Oxford, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.  
\*John F. Hoodless .. .. Treble | Walter Weston .. .. 4  
Ronald Russell .. .. 2 | Harry Barnes .. .. 5  
\*Richard A. Hunt .. .. 3 | James H. Musson .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.

\*First peal in five methods.

A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. H. Barnes (Woodhall Spa) on celebrating their 51st wedding anniversary.

**THE LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.**  
HALSALL, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Cuthbert.  
*On Wed., June 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb. in A flat.  
Hazel A. Arrowsmith .. Treble | Malcolm A. Phillips .. 4  
\*P. Ann Freeman .. .. 2 | Richard S. Starkie .. 5  
\*John H. Fielden .. .. 3 | Christopher K. Cooper .. Tenor

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER K. COOPER.

\*First peal of Plain Bob Minor.

**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
GRAFTON REGIS, Northants.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
*On Fri., Aug. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

Being one Morris' 240 and 40 extents (ten different callings). Tenor 9 cwt. 2 lb. in A flat.  
\*Toni M. Rogers .. .. Treble | James Linnell .. .. 3  
Janet I. Porter .. .. 2 | Charles E. Truman .. 4  
†Robin H. Rogers .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBIN H. ROGERS.

\*First peal attempt, aged 13. †50th peal, and 25th for the Guild.  
Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. W. H. Allen, aged 85 years, a faithful worshipper at this church for 52 years, who was instrumental in obtaining the treble bell in 1948.

**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
LOWDHAM, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
*On Thurs., Aug. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In 21 variations: One extent each of Marchington, Rushall, All Saints, Fortune, Rev. St. Bartholomew, Northrepps, Grandsire, Newborough, 'X.' St. David and Old, two extents of Reverse Canterbury, Southrepps, St. Columba, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, Kennington, April Day, Seighford and Litchurch, and 13 of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 14 lb. in G.

\*John T. Burnup .. .. Treble | C. Raymond Larkin .. 3  
†Ruth Blackshaw .. .. 2 | Maurice W. Harrison .. 4

George A. Dawson .. .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE A. DAWSON.

\*First peal. †First in 21 variations 'inside.'  
Birthday compliments to J. H. Harrison, Mrs. E. M. Dawson and Mrs. J. Dawson.

'X' is Grandsire with Grandsire Bob and Antelope Single. If unnamed we would like to call it Lowdham Doubles. (cf. Newborough in Jeff Dodds' collection.)

**THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
TALGARTH, Breconshire.—At the Church of St. Gwendoline.  
*On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being six methods: Two extents of Reverse St. Bartholomew and eight extents each of Plain Bob, April Day, Reverse Canterbury, Clifford's Pleasure and Grandsire. Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. in A.  
Nona E. C. Davies .. .. Treble | \*H. Lyndon Hatfield .. 4  
J. Anthony Ellis .. .. 2 | Colin A. Lewis .. .. 5  
Malcolm T. Johns .. .. 3 | Danzey H. Watkins .. Tenor

Conducted by COLIN A. LEWIS.

\*First peal 'inside.'

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
THRYBERGH, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Leonard.  
*On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven extents. Tenor 8 cwt.  
Leonard Goodall .. .. Treble | Eileen J. Osborne .. 4  
\*Angela M. Truelove .. 2 | Ian M. Holland .. .. 5  
\*Jeffrey S. Singleton .. 3 | Geoffrey N. Goodall .. Tenor

Conducted by IAN M. HOLLAND.

\*First of Surprise.

FELKIRK, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

*On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

In seven methods, being extents of Hull, Wakefield, Annable's London, Norwich, Luton, Westminster and Cambridge. Tenor 10 cwt. in A flat.

\*Elizabeth Peace .. .. Treble | \*Herman Rusby .. .. 4  
\*Christopher Moxon .. 2 | †Trevor Tarbatt .. .. 5  
Harold Chant .. .. 3 | \*Noel F. Moxon .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD CHANT.

\*First peal of Surprise. †First of Surprise Minor.

Rung also for Barnsley and District Society.

**NON-ASSOCIATION PEAL**  
WOOTTON WAWEN, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.  
*On Sat., July 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 31 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 12 extents of Plain Bob and 30 of Grandsire. Tenor 10½ cwt.  
Peter S. Bennett .. .. Treble | Jill Riley .. .. 4  
Hazel A. Arrowsmith .. 2 | David Baker .. .. 5  
\*James Went .. .. 3 | James Stockley .. .. Tenor

Conducted by PETER S. BENNETT.

\*First peal attempt.

Specially arranged and rung by the local band as a 21st birthday compliment to Miss Hazel A. Arrowsmith.

**HANDBELL PEALS**

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
BARROW-UPON-SOAR, Leics.—At the Humphrey Perkins School.  
*On Thurs., July 16, 1964, in 1 Hour and 31 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents differently called. Tenor size 15 in C.  
Malcolm D. Barsby .. 1—2 | Rupert A. Clarke .. 3—4  
B Stedman Payne (cond.) 5—6

BIRSTALL, Leicestershire.—At 44, Greengate Lane.

*On Thurs., July 30, 1964, in 1 Hour and 52 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

E. M. Atkins' arr. Tenor size 18 in G.  
Dan S. Pont .. .. 1—2 | Rupert A. Clarke .. 5—6  
David F. Moore .. .. 3—4 | B. Stedman Payne (cond.) 7—8

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### ENGAGEMENT

JONES—BROWNE.—The engagement is announced between Philip Henry David, only son of Mrs. J. B. Jones, of Hampton, Middlesex, and Mary, only daughter of Mrs. J. Browne and the late Mr. D. Browne, of Topsham, Devon. 5172

### DEATH

VALENTINE.—Norah, dearly beloved wife of Cyril, passed peacefully away at her home, 63, Hillside Road, Frodsham, on Saturday, August 15th, 1964. 5187

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

BEACHAM.—The address of David Beacham, General Secretary, Worcestershire and Districts Association (and Worcester Cathedral Guild), is now 'The Lea,' Hallow, Worcester. Telephone not yet available. 5158

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch Secretary.—The address of Miss G. Howlett is now 3, Belvedere Road, Liverpool 8. 5189

DAW.—The address of Raymond H. Daw, secretary of the Peterborough Branch of the Peterborough Guild, is now 97, Fane Road, Peterborough. 5189

THORLEY.—The address of Mr. and Mrs. J. Martin Thorley, Katharine and Penelope, is now School House, Lyddington, Uppingham, Rutland. 5165

### SITUATION VACANT

NORTHAMPTON.—At the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, vergers and carstaker required; 2-bedroom flat available. For further particulars write: Mr. A. Kenward, 89, Gloucester Crescent, Northampton. 5191

### PERSONAL

'For if a man thinketh himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself. But let every man prove his own work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another.' (Galatians vi, 3 and 4.)

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WASHINGTON DEDICATION.—In view of the interest on both sides of the Atlantic in the dedication of Washington Cathedral bells there has been a reprint of the issue of June 12th, and also supplement. Usual price. With supplement 3d., please send postage.—'Ringing World,' c/o Woodbridge Press Ltd., Guildford, Surrey. 5162

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### BACK NUMBERS

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### MISCELLANEOUS

ALTON, HANTS.—This Saturday (August 22nd) open practice, 6-8 p.m., Stedman Triples and Plain Bob Major. All welcome. 5174

BRISTOL UNIVERSITY.—Will any ringers coming to the university as freshers please write to D. B. Williams, 4, Edward Street, Oswestry, Shropshire, for full details of the University's Society of Ringers. 5166

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.—Ringers coming up in October are invited to contact the Secretary, Kenneth Darvill, 28, Jennings, Road, St. Albans, Herts. First practice cf term: St. Andrew's, October 7th, 7.45 p.m. All welcome. 5171

GUILDFORD.—The next Surprise Major practice will be at Shalford on Thursday, September 17th. Methods: Bristol, Ealing, London, Pudsey and Bristol, London, Cambridge and Superlative Spliced. (Correction.) 5145

TRURO CATHEDRAL.—The work of re-hanging the bells will be commenced in mid-October and normal ringing will continue until the end of September (Sundays 9.15 a.m. and 5.30 p.m., Tuesdays 7.30 p.m.). Practices will be held at other towers while the Cathedral bells are silent, and details will be published later. 5169

UNIVERSITY OF WALES SOCIETY.—Tour, Southern Ireland, September 29th–October 4th. There is still time to join this tour. Anyone interested write to Katherine Maylott, 57, Gurney Court Road, St. Albans, immediately. 5155

PEAL CARDS AND QUARTER PEAL CARDS, minimum 12 in set, price 7s. 6d. post free. For quarter peal cards, second copy written out in style of a peal is essential.—'The Ringing World' Office, Guildford.

### MEETINGS

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wirral Branch.—Evening meeting at Capenhurst on Saturday, August 22nd. Bells (6) 7-9 p.m.—Alexander J. Martin, Hon. Sec. 5188

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Derby District.—Joint meeting with the MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD at Repton (8), Saturday, August 22nd, 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Dis. Sec., M. A. Willis, 33, Gisborne Close, Micklegate, Derby. 5119

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting, Watlington, Saturday, August 22nd. Bells (6) 2.30, service 4.30, tea 5.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 5135

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Combined practice at Yorktown (8) on Saturday, August 22nd from 6 to 9 p.m.—D. P. Elsmore, Dis. Sec. 5134

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berkshire and South Bucks. Branch.—Boyne Hill, Maidenhead, Saturday, August 22nd. Ringing 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Miss Hague, 6, Stompits Road, Holyport, Maidenhead. 5128

SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.—Meeting at St. Wulfram's, Grantham (10), on Saturday, August 22nd. Bells from 3 p.m. No tea arrangements but plenty of cafes.—Sec. 5141

SUFFOLK GUILD.—S.W. District.—Meeting at Preston St. Mary, Saturday, August 22nd. Bells (6) 3 p.m. service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea please, to Mr. Cross, Six Bells, Preston St. Mary, Sudbury, Suffolk. 5087

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Division.—Quarterly meeting at Bexhill (8) August 22nd. Bells 3 till 4.30 and 6.15 till 8, service 4.30, tea 5.0 Names for tea, please, to Mr. R. A. Vitler, 321, London Road, Bexhill-on-Sea.—I. Smith, Sec. 5142

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Winchester District.—Quarterly meeting, Cheriton, August 22nd. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Tichborne bells (6) available 6 p.m. Names for tea to R. Collis, 3, Hockley Cottages, Cheriton, Alresford. 5152

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Rural Branch.—Practice meeting, Stapleton, Monday, August 24th. Bells (6) available 7-9 p.m. 5160

CHESTER GUILD.—Grappenhall Branch.—A meeting will be held at Stretton on Saturday, Aug. 29th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—C. Raddon. 5186

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Thrybergh, Saturday, August 29th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names to Mr. F. Brunt, The Channings, Doncaster Road, Thrybergh, near Rotherham. 5173

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Meeting at Send on Saturday, August 29th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. approx. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Mr. S. Strudwick, Eskholm, Potters Lane, Send, Woking. Oxkham bells will be available in the evening. 5175

LADIES' GUILD.—Lincolnshire District.—Meeting on Saturday, August 29th, at Horncastle. Bells 2.30 p.m., service 4 o'clock. Names for tea to Mrs. H. Bennett, Cemetery Lodge, Horncastle, not later than Wednesday, August 26th.—A. Richardson, Hon. Sec. 5112

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Next meeting at Otley on Saturday, August 29th. Bells (8) available from 3 until 7.15 p.m. Please make own tea arrangements. A number of local cafes available.—Ian North, Hon. Sec. 5180

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Melton District.—Meeting at Great Dalby, Saturday, August 29th. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Village Hall at 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to Mr. H. Bonsher, Great Dalby, Melton Mowbray.—M. Stimson, Dis. Sec. 5161

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Western Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Gressenhall on Saturday, August 29th. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by the business meeting. Names for tea to G. Bunning, Gressenhall, East Dereham.—C. T. 5156

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—South Oxon Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Ewelme, Saturday, August 29th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea by August 23rd to J. Godman, 22, Sunnyside, Benson, Oxon. 5152

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—V.W.H. Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Buckland, Saturday, August 29th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Teas, Social Club. Names, please, by Wednesday, August 26th, to R. F. J. Gilling, Branch Sec., Fernham, Faringdon, Berks. 5181

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northampton Branch.—Business meeting Brafield, Saturday, August 29th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to Mr. P. Jones, 2, Denton Road, Brafield. 5114

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wimborne Branch.—Meeting at Kingston (8) August 29th. Ringing 3–5 and 6.30–8. Own tea arrangements. Names for transport from Wareham by Saturday noon to C. Heawood, 4, Walls View Road, Wareham (Tel. 429).

STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.—Evening practice meeting at St. Martin's, Bradley (near Bilston), on Saturday, August 29th. Bells (8) available 6.30–8.30 p.m.—C. M. S., Hon. Sec. 5111

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Fitzhead, Saturday, September 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, please, to A. H. Reed, 'Mimosa,' George Street, Taunton.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Meeting at Wilburton (6), Saturday, September 5th. Bells 3–5 p.m. Tea and business meeting. Service at Haddenham 6.30, followed by ringing until 8.30 p.m. Methods: Woodbine and Oxford Bob. 5185



## PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD

The Summer Festival and an Extraordinary meeting will be held on Saturday, September 5th, at Flore, Daventry. Committee meeting in the church 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. Tea tickets (3s. 6d. each and c.w.o.) must be obtained by Tuesday, September 2nd, from Mr. E. Garrett, The Laurels, Flore, Daventry.

## RINGING ARRANGEMENTS

Cold Higham (6) .. .. .	11.15 a.m.—12.15 p.m.	
Gayton (6) .. .. .	11.45 a.m.—12.45 p.m.	
Lichborough (5) .. .. .	12.45 p.m.—1.45 p.m.	
Kislingbury (5) .. .. .	1.30 p.m.—2.30 p.m.	6.30 p.m.—8.30 p.m.
Harpole (5) .. .. .	1.30 p.m.—2.30 p.m.	
Staverton (6) .. .. .	1.30 p.m.—2.30 p.m.	
Whilton (6) .. .. .	12.15 p.m.—1.15 p.m.	6.30 p.m.—7.30 p.m.
Lower Heyford (6) .. .. .	2.30 p.m.—3.30 p.m.	6.30 p.m.—8.30 p.m.
Bugbrooke (5) .. .. .	2.00 p.m.—3.00 p.m.	7.00 p.m.—8.30 p.m.
Weedon (8) .. .. .		6.30 p.m.—8.30 p.m.
Flore (6) .. .. .	3.00 p.m.—4.00 p.m.	6.30 p.m.—8.30 p.m.

E. BILLINGS, Gen. Sec. 5068

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.W. District.—A meeting will be held at Roydon (6) on Saturday, September 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea to G. Blake, Hamlet House, Roydon Hamlet, Harlow, Essex. 5178

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Meeting at Saltwood, Saturday, September 5th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. D. H. Gower, 'Perth Cottage', Saltwood, by previous Wednesday. 5077

LADIES' GUILD.—Sussex District.—Meeting on Saturday, September 5th, at Barcombe. Bells (6) 3 to 5 and 6 to 8 p.m. Please bring own picnic tea.—R. Earl, Hon. Sec. 9182

## LICHFIELD DIOCESAN RINGING FESTIVAL

At Stafford, Saturday, September 5th, 1964

Bells available. Route 1:—Haughton (5), 10.30—11.15 a.m. and 7.45—8.30 p.m.; Church Eaton, (6), 11.0—11.45 and 7.15—8.0 p.m.; Lapey, (5), 11.30—12.15 p.m. and 6.45—7.30 p.m.; Penkridge, (8), 12.0 noon—12.45 and 7.0—9.0 p.m. Route 2:—Rugeley, (6), 10.0—10.45 a.m. and 8.15—9.0 p.m.; Colwich, (6), 10.30—11.15 a.m. and 7.45—8.30 p.m.; Ingestre, (6), 11.0—11.45 a.m. and 7.15—8.0 p.m.; Sandon, (5), 11.30—12.15 p.m. and 6.45—7.30 p.m.; Seighford, (5), 12.0 noon—12.45 p.m. and 6.15—7.0 p.m.; Stafford, (10), 3.15—4.30 p.m. and 6.30—8.0 p.m.; Cannock, (8), 7.30—9.0 p.m.; and Gnosall, (6), 8.15—9.0 p.m. No ringing please until arrival of the appointed Ringing Master.

Service at St. Mary's Stafford, 4.30 p.m. Tea in Church Schoolroom 5.15 p.m. Names for tea please to: Mr. R. J. Warriow, 197, Tixall Road, Stafford, by September 2nd, latest.—C. M. Smith, Hon. Sec., Stafford Achdeaconry Society. 5120

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—On Saturday, September 5th, at Lutton. (Please note change of tower.) Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. G. R. G. Butler, Victoria Cottage, Lutton, Spalding, Lincs, by previous Wednesday.—K. R. Davy, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5163

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Eastern Branch.—Meeting, Pakefield, September 5th. Bells (8 from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, September 2nd, to Mr. P. Kindred, 'Bathford', Pakefield Street, Pakefield, Suffolk.—N. P. J. Cossey, Branch Sec. 5075

NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.—Half yearly meeting at Abergele on Saturday, September 5th. Bells (6) 2 p.m., service 3.30 p.m. followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea as soon as possible please, to W. Cathraill, 19, Cunliffe Walk, Garden Village, Wrexham. 5124

SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD.—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting at Cefn Coed, Saturday, September 5th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Names for tea by August 29th to J. A. Hoare, 3, Lon Derw, Tychoch, Swansea.

SUFFOLK GUILD.—S.E. District.—Meeting at Ufford, Saturday, September 5th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, by September 3rd to E. G. Pearce, Dis. Sec., 36, St. Andrew's Place, Melton, Woodbridge. 5184

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Quarterly meeting, September 12th. St. Mary's, Battersea, 2-3 p.m.; St. Stephen's, Clapham Park, 3.45-4.45; St. Giles', Camberwell, 6.30-8 p.m. Tea, local cafes.—F. J. Matthews, Hon. Sec. 5183

DEVON GUILD.—Mid Devon Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Buckfast Abbey, September 19th. Bells 2 p.m., service in the Abbey 4.30 p.m., tea and business after. Names for tea to Fr. Paulinus, Buckfast Abbey. 5121

KIMPTON CUP COMPETITION.—Saturday, September 26th, 2.45 p.m. at Kimpton. Test piece 360 Minor or Doubles. Entries by September 13th please, to J. G. Cull, 5, The Green, Kimpton, Hitchin, Herts. Tel. Kimpton 350. 5139

## LATE NOTICES

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—An evening meeting will be held at Moreton Corbett on Saturday, August 29th. Bells (6) available 6.30 to 8.30 p.m.—E. Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec. 5192

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—Meeting at Colne on September 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m. Business follows tea. Suggestions for next year's meetings required.—J. Pilkington. 5193

GAYWOOD, NORFOLK.—On July 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob: W. Shipp 1, E. Greenacre 2, R. Harrop 3, R. Shipp 4, C. Tovell 5, E. Shipp (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to Mr. Kerrison Jones, lay reader, who died on July 25th.

GRAFTON REGIS, NORTHANTS.—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Toni M. Rogers 1, Janet I. Porter (cond.) 2, F. E. Hall 3, C. J. Hall 4, R. H. Rogers 5. For afternoon service.

## EXTRACTS FROM 'CHURCH BELLS'

By Claude Rush

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## ALL SAINTS', SHEFFIELD

12 Nov., 1880.—A ring of 8 (augmented by Warners, the gift of Sir John Brown, dedicated. 'These bells are fitted in an iron frame instead of wood on account of insufficient space in the spire.'

## HURSLEY, NEAR WINCHESTER

The bells of Hursley, the home of John Keble, have been augmented and rehung—Dec., 1880. The five old bells had been badly hung many years previously, now hung by Hooper and Stokes, of Woodbury, Devon. New treble by Mears and Stainbank, and ringing chamber raised in height and put into order, Mr. Seage's apparatus fitted.

Rev. A. D. Hill, The College, Winchester, writes, 'Will any ringers help me to make up a side capable of ringing 2 or 3 six-bell methods on the occasion of the re-opening on 14 Dec. 1880.'

On that day a party of 9 College Youths went for the reopening, but it was postponed at the last minute. However, they rang at Winchester College and the Cathedral instead. Hursley bells were eventually rung by Winchester Cathedral ringers 11 Feb., 1881.

## ST. STEPHEN'S, NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE

17 Nov., 1880.—New ring of 8 opened. Tenor 30 cwt. in D. Cast by Taylor's, Loughborough. Ellacombe chiming apparatus fitted. 'The tenor can be raised by one man and rises true.'

## ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, PINNER, MIDDLESEX

4 Dec., 1880. 5,040 Grandsire Triples, 3 hours 4 minutes. Tenor 19½ cwt in F. 'The first peal rung on these bells which were augmented to 8 in 1777 and were rehung by Mr. G. Banks, of London, 1879.'

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## LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD THE 65th ANNIVERSARY DINNER

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Anyone interested in peal attempt on morning of September 19th, please let me know. Other ringing arrangements later. — John Freeman, 205, Lincoln Road, Branston, Lincoln. 5190

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**QUARTER PEALS**

**BRADFIELD, W. YORKS.**—On Aug. 1st, 1,320 Doubles (five methods): I. Johnson 1, E. P. King 2, A. King 3, M. A. Beaumont 4, M. King (cond.) 5, P. Wood (first quarter) 6.

**FILTON, GLOS.**—On July 31st, 1,320 Dedworth Bob Doubles: E. Sheldon 1, Miss H. Haslum 2, A. Howard (cond.) 3, D. Haslum 4, G. Marchant 5, M. Buckler 6. First and last quarter in the method by all. Also on Aug. 2nd, 1,272 Plain Bob Minimus: M. Buckler 1, Miss M. Haslum 2, D. Haslum 3, A. Howard (cond.) 4. First in the method by all and on the bells.

**HENBURY, BRISTOL.**—On Aug. 2nd, 1,320 Clifford's Pleasure Bob Doubles: R. Huddleston 1, Miss G. Douglas 2, A. Howard (cond.) 3, D. Huddleston 4, J. A. Bennett 5, G. Locke 6. First in the method by all and on the bells.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Neilson 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, Rachel Sinden 3, H. P. Yates 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, R. Hough 6. For Matins; and 1,260 Doubles (three methods), same ringers, except R. Harman 6. For Evensong.

**NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.**—At the Cathedral, on May 24th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss G. Douglas 1, Mrs. A. C. Bolton 2, R. W. Leighton 3, J. Hart 4, E. N. Harrison 5, J. Hedley 6, G. Deas 7, A. C. Bolton (cond.) 8. Rung for Evensong on Ordination Sunday and Commonwealth Day.

**ST. FLORENCE, PEMBES.**—On July 29th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Rev. R. W. Thomas (first quarter) 1, Mrs. J. Sadler 2, E. Godfrey (first of Doubles) 3, B. C. Sadler 4, R. Collins (cond.) 5, M. E. Lewis (first quarter) 6. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Phil Rogers, of Pembroke, on their 13th wedding anniversary.

**TONBRIDGE, KENT.**—On July 25th, 1,280 Bristol Surprise Major: J. C. Carpenter 1, E. A. Barnett 2, Ann Jenner 3, Hilary A. Swallow 4, W. H. Dobbie 5, L. T. Pope 6. S. Jenner (cond.) 7, W. Rogers 8. First of Bristol 4 and 6. For Skinners' Day.

**WENTWORTH, W. YORKS.**—On July 12th, 1,440 Treble Bob Minor (720 Oxford, 720 Kent): Miss E. Cherry 1, M. A. Beaumont 2, A. King 3, D. E. Archer 4, M. King 5, M. R. Meadows (first of T.B. as cond.) 6. First of Treble Bob Minor for all except the conductor. For Evensong.

**WOOTTON WAWEN, WARWICKS.**—On July 12th, 1,260 Doubles (480 Plain Bob, 780 Grandsire): E. Tanner (first quarter) 1, Miss H. A. Arrowsmith 2, J. F. West 3, Miss J. Riley 4, P. S. Bennett (cond.) 5, J. Stockley 6. For Matins.

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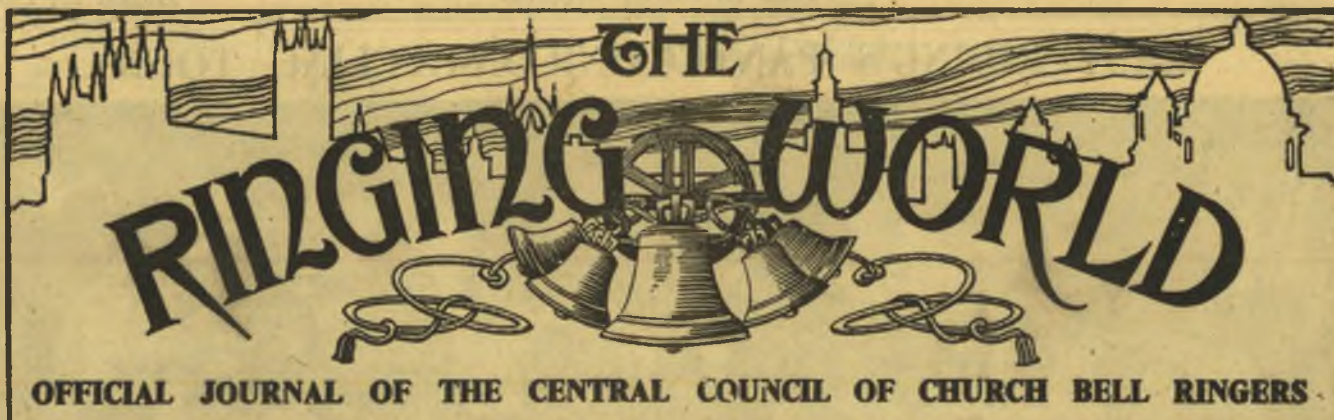
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## A REVIEW OF RECENT COMPOSITIONS

By P. G. K. DAVIES

WHEN the study of composition is keen and intelligent, then practical ringing flourishes; when it has been languid, then practical ringing has declined.—J. A. Trollope.

The frequency with which compositions are published in 'The Ringing World' means that over several months quite a collection gathers together, and as often only the composer concerned judges their merits, a few comments might be appropriate.

Firstly, false peals still occur quite frequently. I think it should be a general rule that one competent person, other than the composer, checks any new composition before it is rung. This is particularly important when the composer is inexperienced or difficult splicing is involved. If this rule is not adhered to, disappointment is certain for some of the bands who have rung. Instances in the recent past can easily be quoted.

It has been pleasing to see that someone other than Mr. Pitman is tackling 'all the work' Spliced Surprise Major in several methods, and Mr. Richard Crosland has produced some very original work. The layman may not appreciate the fantastic complications involved in 'all the work' which is not, however, so difficult in the three-lead course stuff—especially up to eight standard methods. The middle lead is usually true and Rutland will go if London won't.

Compare Mr. R. Baldwin's five-part of the standard eight spliced ('R.W.' 3-4-64), with similar peals produced some years ago by Messrs. A. J. Pitman and W. E. Critchley. The thing to aim at would be to produce a peal simpler in calling than the previous ones, and with better, or equally good, distribution of methods. But Mr. Pitman has only 80 bobs to Mr. Baldwin's 105, and the method distribution is similar, except that Mr. Baldwin has only one lead of Pudsey per part (rather little). The later peal is similar to the others and where it differs it is really inferior.

The introduction of New Cambridge, according to C. D. P. Davies, quoting Sir A. P. Heywood, was to reduce the falseness of the parent method and get a change from Middleton's. What purpose is there in ringing this in spliced? Most people would agree that this is an inferior method, and its presence implies that the composer couldn't manage to get Cambridge in. I assure Mr. E. F. P. Bryant (15-11-63) that all the work compositions of Cambridge, Yorkshire and Rutland, with similar changes to these in his peals, are possible. In any case, this composition is on the same plan as that used by the late J. L. Morris in 1956, for the same three methods.

Whilst on the subject of spliced, I am pleased to see some original work by Norman Smith, using mixed long and short courses.

It amazes me that Mr. W. Eric Critchley thinks that the 5.088 Peterborough Surprise (25-10-63) could be original. The identical peal occurs in the Central Council Collection of Double Oxford, page 262, No. 16, by H. W. Wilde.

Another very unoriginal peal is that of 5.024 Llanfihangel-rhydeithon Surprise (6-4-64) attributed to C. J. Sedgley, which is by Henry W. Wilde and was published in the issue of September 8th, 1911.

The first two parts of the Cleveland Surprise Major, by J. R. Mayne (27-12-63), are Pitstow's well known three-part of Superlative, and surely originality cannot be claimed for the

last part, which is wrong and three times repeated, with a shunt bob at middle to produce the requisite part-end. With great respect to Mr. Mayne, whom I much admire as a ringer, the peal should be Pitstow's (or some other early composer of Superlative).

It is, of course, desirable that figures should be published if they are not readily available, but why republish figures when they are in recent collections? The peal of Putney (3-1-64) is in the 1950 Collection, page 29, No. 28; the peal of Hounslow by A. Knights (26-6-64) is in the same collection, page 30, No. 25, and the peal of Gloucestershire (4-10-63) is Washbrook's London (C.C.C., page 47, No. 1). All that was necessary in these cases was the page reference given together with the appropriate place notation, instead of wasting space writing out the composition; this is done as I suggest by Mr. Mayne on page 534 (7-8-64) when he refers to a composition in another issue.

The question of claiming clean-proof scale Surprise Royal raises many doubts in my mind and there is much to be said for the custom amongst certain eminent conductors, not to mention any composer (as happens with Maximus). Clean-proof scale Royal is excellent practice for the beginner composer as it is one of the easiest things to compose, but it is doubtful if most are not variations of peals rung 50 or more years ago to Plain Royal. The Pudsey Special (31-7-64) is really just calling the fifth right, wrong, right, three times (as in Bob Minor) with blocks of three added to make up the 14 courses. The same simplicity applies to long lengths where no falseness is involved. All one has to do is add the necessary number of blocks of three.

It is clear that a certain amount of confusion is occurring. It is much worse in Association annual reports where some composers put their names to almost anything and nobody is available to correct. For example, I see a peal of Plain Bob credited to a well-known ringer which is by John Reeves, 1788. Other compositions are passed from conductor to conductor without publication. Perhaps someone should collect the commonest of these and expose them (with reference to the original composer.)

Finally may I suggest that a clearing house for compositions is necessary to help the editor. A committee could be appointed to whom compositions should be submitted for comment, still leaving the final decision in the hands of the editor. This committee would not have authority to stop publication if the composer still considered his peal meritorious. This system would at least prevent gross blunders and be an advisory centre for the young composer who sends his efforts to the editor, only to find after publication that they are worthless. The trouble nowadays is that it is almost impossible for the learner-composer to produce anything worthwhile, and a long apprenticeship must be served. Never before has there been such a demand for the expert composer. Several bands have reopened vast territories in Spliced Surprise Royal and Maximus, hardly touched by the composer. Gone are the days when the composer could put out simple compositions of Plain Bob and Superlative! This clearing house would also save the embarrassment of writing and reading the correcting letter, and anyway corrections often don't catch up with errors. The difficulty would be finding competent people to serve since some of the biggest names are the worst offenders. How about it, Peals Collection and Editorial Committees?



## EAST RIDING'S PANTECHNICON-CYCLING TOUR



**THIS** year the East Riding Ringers' 'Poly-Gold' tour was held in the Gloucester-Worcester area, rich in fruit production and especially apples (thus giving rough cider and explaining why we were in this area at all!).

As usual a furniture van was employed to convey the bikes and their riders to the starting point, Stratford-on-Avon. Here we helped to produce the proper atmosphere of Shakespearean England for the American tourists by ringing the bells of Holy Trinity Church for an hour. It was only at this late stage that the fact struck many people that they would now have to cycle 20 miles in a head wind before having another ring and a bed for the night!

This 20 miles in fact proved a testing ground for many people: the Master of the Manchester University Guild (an honoured guest!) found he had a perished inner tube and after mending four punctures in as many minutes he gave the task up and started walking. He was very lucky however, and after walking for a mere hour was picked up by a passing van and conveyed in luxury to Stow-on-the-Wold where a new inner tube awaited him.

Meanwhile Ron Ducker cunningly managed to get his chain entangled in his back wheel, so locking it while travelling downhill. Thus by the time he stopped the road had worn a nice hole in his tyre casing. Here we were able to make a temporary repair however, which got him to Moreton-in-Marsh where a new tyre was procured. Although one or two others suffered punctures the majority had only to contend with exhaustion and for those who reached Stow in time the bells were well worth it.

Stow Youth Hostel is sandwiched between two pubs and every other building in Stow seems to be a tavern—so the reader can probably guess how the older ringers spent their evening.

### SUNDAY SERVICE RINGING

On Sunday (August 2nd) the party of 39 split up to fill 39 vacancies in Sunday service bands in the area and to stay for the service. The five who went to Upper Slaughter thought that they would try a simple quarter peal of Grandsire. This somehow came to grief, however, at the end of the first 240 when the conductor for some inexplicable reason called 'This is all.' We joined a party of Girl Guides from Bushey for Matins and were entertained to a bellringing sermon by the Vicar who explained the difficulty he had had in Bath after the war in trying to stop anti-bell movements among his parishioners and quoted the old 18th century rhyme that had been sent to him:

Ye rascals of ringers—ye merciless foes,  
Disturbers of all who seek calm repose.  
How I wish for the peace and the good of  
the land

Ye would wind round your neck what  
you hold in your hand.

Another group went to attempt a quarter at Broadwell but one of the band fell off her bicycle at the bottom of a steep descent and unfortunately had to be taken to hospital suffering from concussion etc.

### EAST RIDING RINGERS OUTSIDE EVESHAM BELL TOWER

**Standing (left to right):** N. Castle (Walkington), C. Brown (Selby), D. Parsons (Sutton-on-Trent), J. G. Hobson (Hull), F. C. Hobson (Kirk Ella), Linda Jones (Headingley), R. Ducker (Sutton-on-Hull), D. P. B. Miles (Cottingham), J. S. Rank (Beverley), D. Baker (Manchester Univ.), D. S. Johnson (Kirk Ella), Shirley Wight (Walkington), Renee Page-Jones, I. G. Campbell (Kirk Ella), R. Page-Jones (Cottingham), C. Swift, F. Terry (Hemingbrough), K. Goldthorpe, I. N. Goldthorpe (Kirk Ella), H. Gibson (Lincoln Cathedral).

**Sitting and kneeling (left to right):** Joan Gray (Walkington), Barbara Cammack, R. Gibson (Cottingham), Christine Ham (Kirk Ella), Stephanie Jones (Ferryby), G. K. Smith, Jennifer Tucker, H. C. Palmer (Kirk Ella), Elizabeth Johnston (Ferryby), Joan Hingley (Hemingbrough), Susan Harrop (Howden), Jean Woodbridge (Cottingham), Patricia Samuel (Kirk Ella), J. I. Booth (Cottingham), G. W. Randall (Warwick), G. Blackburn (Goole), D. Swan, I. Stevens (Selby), S. Royal (Kenilworth), D. Whitehead (Selby).

In the afternoon various towers were visited including Adlestrop. Here the ropes fall within inches of the wall so causing the treble ringer to be very unsociable and stand facing a corner. The tenor ringer also found it easier to stand facing the treble and peer over his shoulder at the 4th. Three quarters were attempted in the evening but all came to grief. Cambridge at Stow half way through, Grandsire (it was to have been Stedman but the conductor had to be abandoned in the wilds with a damaged back axle) at Kingham near the end and one of Doubles at Broadwell in the last extent.

August Bank Holiday Monday started with a ride over the Cotswolds, to Broadway, where the six proved rather difficult to handle. Then after lunch to the glorious 8 at Mickleton and the 12 at Evesham. To the latter we unfortunately did not do justice although the holiday makers seemed reasonably pleased to hear the bells ringing out. The other towers of the day were Hinton-on-the-Green and Dumbleton. From Dumbleton the road dragged uphill almost continuously for eight miles to Cleeve Hill Hostel. The warden was obviously unused to ringers and hadn't anticipated that we would still be struggling in for 7.30 supper at 8.45. Later in the evening a few climbed down a mountain for some cider.

### CHURCHYARD EPITAPH

Tuesday dawned another glorious day for the downhill rides to Prestbury where we were amused by the local ringers' rhymes on the walls. Thence to the splendid 12 at Cheltenham where we were met by Cyril Wratten. It was generally agreed that this was the best ringing to date and even our course of Maximus went well. We noted a churchyard epitaph which could perhaps be adapted to ringing by someone(!):

Here lies John Higgs

A famous man for killing pigs,  
For killing pigs was his delight  
Both morning, afternoon and night.  
Both heats and colds he did endure  
Which no physician could ere cure.  
His knife is laid, his work is done:  
I hope to heaven his soul is gone.

At lunch in Charlton Kings we were regaled with the experiences of the motorised brigade at their Cheltenham hotel. It was stated that one member had been seen crawling down the entrance hall at midnight mumbling 'I'm not drunk.' This was, no doubt, somewhat exaggerated.

Charlton Kings bells went very well after lunch and, since none of the rings in Gloucester were available for a variety of reasons, we rang at Barnwood instead. It had been thought that we would be able to join in at the practice at the Cathedral in the evening but this was not to be and after a lot of messing around we had a ten minute ring at St. Mary de Crypt.

### CONFIDENCE AT TEWKESBURY

Wednesday started with a ring at Bishop's Cleeve where the ringing chamber is reached by a Tudor staircase and was followed by the pleasant five hung in an Elizabethan wooden tower at Tredington. Lunch was enjoyed on the lawn of the Odessa Inn on the Tewkesbury road where a variety of foods was available, and members were observed eating cockles, mussels and ¼ chickens. The 12 at Tewkesbury went extremely well and we confidently rang our complex (three consecutive bobs!) touch of Kent Max. Tirley and Eldersfield, both sixes, followed and a small group cycled on to grab Castle Morton—a light six with a very long draught. The youth hostel at Malvern Wells was the best on the tour but the warden tended to have the cares of 'real hostellers' more at heart.

Thursday it rained. That would perhaps normally be enough to explain the whole day but we had some really splendid rings in front of us. The first tower contained the excellent 8 at Malvern Link with a perfect Taylor (c. 1900) circle. At this stage one cyclist, after resoling his shoes all week with puncture repair outfits, decided to buy some new ones at great expense (19/11d). Then, via a couple more punctures to the six at Leigh (pronounced Ly) before lunch.

After lunch came the highlight of the tour for many, Worcester Cathedral. Here we found the bells easier going than anticipated and managed reasonably well. The eight at St. John's followed and we were able to show a couple of young girls from the town the intricacies of ringing—perhaps they'll take it up in later years. After a good course of Lincolnshire Surprise we cycled on in the rain to the light ten at Claines. Time was cut short here because of the weather and so we dragged back through Worcester (thus crossing it for the fourth time) in the rush hour to the very heavy six at Powick. The weather men had obviously decided by this time that a heavy drizzle was not enough and so on the way back to the hostel the heavens really emptied down on us. It was too much to expect that



## East Riding Ringers—Cont.

we could get through a whole summer tour without a real soaking. We had heard during the day, however, that our casualty of Sunday had left hospital and returned home: obviously the fruit and flowers we had sent the day before had done a power of good!

### CONVIVIAL EVENING

A convivial evening was spent in the 'Railway Inn' and singing included such famous ringing songs as 'She'll be ringing Grandsire Triples when she comes, calling "Bob, Bob, Single, Single, Bob"' (to the tune of 'She'll be coming round the Mountain') and '12 good ringers, ringing Maximus well and if one good ringer should overturn his bell, there'd be 11 good good ringers, ringing Cinques well' (to the tune of '10 Green Bottles').

The first tower on Friday was Longdon where we found that the six bells are normally clocked—an appalling practice. Here we suffered our only broken rope of the tour. A long cycle ride took us to Eckington where our special method was Wells Surprise before we moved on to the famous ringing chamber at Pershore Abbey. One or two of our party decided not to risk the caged-in chamber suspended from the roof whilst others bolted rapidly after ringing, suffering from various stages of vertigo. We would like to apologise to Paul Cattermole for, due to a misunderstanding, we rang for rather too long to enable him to complete his peal attempt (started after we had finished) before Evensong.

Some ringers then took the wrong route to Bishampton (and also suffered from a puncture) but all arrived eventually to be met by Vicar, a great enthusiast, who was himself responsible for the installation of this pleasant ring of six in the '30s. The last tower of the day was Salford Priors and here the old sixth bell of 1735 is preserved in the church and was replaced in the tower by a 'Peace' bell.

### NOTORIETY!

From Salford it was only two miles to Broom Y.H.A. where it seemed that our reputation (or was it notoriety?) had arrived long before us. Even the local publicans had been told to expect us by the Youth Hostel warden!

The last official tower of the tour was Bidford-on-Avon (a pleasant Rudhall six to which two indifferent trebles had been added). However (thanks to the assistance of the temporary incumbent of Bidford) the Vicar of Welford-on-Avon, himself a ringer, kindly allowed us to ring on the first rate light six at his tower before returning to Stratford to pick up the furniture van. As the bikes were loaded it started to pour with rain again and so we were pleased to have escaped it.

Thus ended a splendid tour, ably organised by Ian Goldthorpe, but due in great measure of course to the kind co-operation of incumbents and Ringing Masters of the towers visited and the wardens of the youth hostels.

D. P. B. M.

## MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD ROMANCE

Two former officers of the Manchester University Guild, Mr. John Harry Scanes, of Gorleston, Norfolk, a former Master, and Miss Nancy Robins, of Brixham, Devon, a former secretary, were married at All Saints' Church, Brixham, on August 15th. The best man was the present Master. This is the sixth marriage between Guild members in three years, and these include four ex-Masters and three ex-secretaries.

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

The Mansfield District held their bi-monthly meeting at Sutton-in-Ashfield on July 25th. Notice of this failed to reach the 'R.W.' owing to the postal dispute, and only District towers received reminders. Nevertheless, a pleasant afternoon and evening's ringing was had by all. The final of the Crawford Cup contest will be held at Cuckney on the next meeting date—September 26th.

D. J. B.

## 'TANFIELD' REGAINED

Thought of revival first sprang to mind when perusing the columns of some 19th century editions of 'The Bell News,' where it was reported that in 1896 the ringers of Tanfield challenged the ringers of Newcastle to a game of cricket and a right royal battle ensued on the village ground.

Notion became fact in 1957, just over 60 years after the first match, when the then president of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association issued a challenge for a return contest to the then Vicar of Tanfield, who readily accepted, and a most enjoyable social-cum-ringing occasion resulted. The success of the venture called for repetition and 'Tanfield' took its place in the local ringing calendar on the third Saturday each July until 1961, when St. Margaret's bells were pronounced unringable owing to the discovery of a destructive fungus in the woodwork of the tower.

Three seemingly interminable years then followed when the sounds of bells and bat on ball were silenced, but with the advent of a new Vicar, who is a ringer, hopes for a restoration of 'Tanfield' rose high. The Vicar, the Rev. A. J. G. Elbery, soon showed that these hopes were not in vain, for within 18 months of his induction we were able to arrange for another 'Tanfield,' complete with newly rehung and refitted bells, on July 18th, 1964.

The day dawned the wettest of the summer and prospects for play looked grim. Ringers, like actors, however, are good troupers and the show must go on whatever befalls. So it was that over 50 ringers turned out, some from as far afield as Ripon, in Yorkshire, in order to keep the appointment. The president, Mr. E. P. Rock, was unfortunately unable to be present, owing to illness, and Mr. K. Arthur, the Ringing Master, was deputed to act as captain of the president's team. A slight easing of the downpour raised hopes for the match and after an inspection of the wicket, which had been prepared on the

Vicarage lawn, it was decided to defer the decision to start until after tea and to limit play to 12 overs a side. Meanwhile, full opportunity was taken to try out the newly-restored bells in the tower and at 4.30 p.m. an adjournment was made to the nearby Peacock Inn, where a sumptuous tea had been prepared by the local branch of the Mothers' Union.

Following a short business meeting, a return was made to the church, where the Vicar conducted a ringers' service, in which handbell ringing and the ringers' hymn (A. and M.) were featured. Then having been physically and spiritually refreshed and with the improvement in the weather being maintained, a general movement was made to the field of play, and after a brief consultation the captains agreed to make a start using a matting wicket. The local men won the toss and put the visitors in to bat—and the battle was on! The result? Well, without going into detail, it will suffice to say that the tables were turned and for the first time the men of Tanfield carried the day—the scores being:

President's XI: 30 for seven wickets;

Tanfield XI: 51 for nine wickets.

Highlights of the game were some big hitting by a certain ringer from Teeside, including one swipe which was 'homed' on to the church tower; a superb catch on the boundary by a 'fielder' who turned out to be a spectator; and some stubborn batting by the Lancheester contingent, which turned the game in favour of the home side after an apparent collapse when the score stood at 0 for three wickets. Mr. Arthur congratulated the winners on their success, saying that the change in the result was no doubt due to the enthusiasm of the new incumbent.

To round off another 'Tanfield,' further ringing was enjoyed by many until 9 p.m., while other devotees got together in the 'historic' surroundings of the Peacock to mull over the day's proceedings and to regain the climate of the occasion.

K. A.

## A BRISTOL UNIVERSITY WEDDING

The wedding took place at St. Peter's, Dorchester, on July 4th, of Mr. Royston Blackler and Miss Jane Tuffin. Both are members of the U.B.S.C.R., the bridegroom a Past Master, while the bride is well known to many resident members, having graduated in 1963. The best man was Mr. John Mackie, also a member of the Society, while the two charming bridesmaids were the Misses Myra Savage and Anne Kemp.

The ringers at St. Peter's, the bride's home tower, rang before the wedding and despite heavy traffic in the town the bride arrived on time. Sunshine greeted the happy couple after the ceremony and the bells were rung out merrily by ringers from Babbacombe, where the bridegroom learned to ring.

At the reception at St. Peter's Hall there was a large number of friends, including many from the U.B.S.C.R. Naturally the following extracts from John Mackie's speech were received by them with enthusiasm. John said of Royston: 'He taught me to "ring the changes" for as you see, he is no "Plain Bob." However, he has now become a "Steady-man" and we think this is "Grand-sir." This "touch" "course" of "Doubles" is a "Royal" affair. With his "methods" it was no "Surprise" to us that he got through without "Erin."'

Jane and Royston are making their home in Nottingham.

### More Computer Methods

Mr. Hugh Bishop, of 29, Grange Road, Cambridge, has recently obtained some Surprise methods from the University computer. They are based on the same possible place notation of the Hudson-McClenahan collection, except double changes have not been included. Wrong places are allowed but only methods with no false course heads are printed. There are only 311 methods, but many of these should be well worth ringing.

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## 5,184 Whempstead Surprise Major

BY STEPHEN IVIN

23456 M W B H

52436	—	—	3	A
34625	—	—	—	
62345	—	—	—	
(24365)	—	x	—	
23645	—	—	2	

23564

62534	—	—	—	A
35426	—	—	3	
42356	—	—	—	
(25346)	—	x	—	
23456	—	—	2	

Rung at Benington, May 30th, 1964.



# Letters to the Editor

## Non-conducted Holt's Original

Dear Sir,—The members of the band who rang the above on July 16th will, I am sure, wish to thank Mr. T. E. Sone for his congratulations. He was surprised that the peal was 'published without an umpire.' We are equally surprised at his surprise.

The Central Council's conditions for peals require an umpire in the case of a peal rung to surpass previous peals of 6,720 changes and upwards. There is no other requirement for an umpire, to my knowledge. The only differences between the non-conducted peal and an ordinary one were (a) a welcome relief from chatters and (b) the need for finding six people who could learn the position of the calls. No need to find a 'conductor'—by the nature of the performance there can be nothing to conduct.

With Bill Birmingham's figure picture of the calling it was a simple matter of memory, especially for the younger ones, to learn the calling. Nobody suggested an umpire when we rang Parker's one-part similarly last year. There could be far more need for one when one of our experts in belfrymanship is using a composition unknown to the rest of the band.

In the same issue of the 'R.W.' there were 47 other peals. One was a record length and had an umpire. In the others 334 ringers took part and the need for an umpire to prove that they rang what they claim is not suggested.

A postscript.—At a previous attempt we did have an umpire (quite fortuitously) and every time we saw him tick his figures we had the reassurance that we were still right. Surely more truly 'silent' without that!—Yours sincerely,

WILFRID G. WILSON.

London.

Dear Sir,—I was recently invited by the band who rang Holt's Original at Harrow Weald to umpire this peal, but unfortunately I could not be present. A few weeks previously I umpired an unsuccessful attempt by the same band and enjoyed about two hours of beautiful ringing.

One of the band after this attempt remarked that an umpire like me was quite useful, because I was taking such an obvious interest in the matter when calls were imminent, and looked so relaxed at plain leads: next time I must do it Harry Withers style!—Yours sincerely,

BILL COLES.

Hillingdon.

Dear Sir,—In addition to Mr. T. E. Sone I, too, congratulate the band who rang the non-conducted Holt's Original at Harrow Weald on July 16th. As no umpire is mentioned it is a query who called 'Go' and 'That's all': if by one of the band it would not be absolutely silent.

I well remember ringing the same composition silent at St. John's, Waterloo Road, London, S.E., on June 4th, 1898, with Fred Perrin (nicknamed Derf Nirrep) as umpire, who called 'Go' at the commencement and 'That's all' at the end, not a word being spoken by any ringer.

During the last 700 there was loud knocking on the belfry door. Fred ejaculated, 'We shan't be long'; this did not disturb the band.—Yours, etc.,

G. E. SYMONDS.

Ipswich.

## 20,160 Double Norwich Court

Bob Major

Dear Sir.—It is with mixed feelings that I read the news of W.W.'s masterpiece being surpassed at last. W.W. was a man of many parts, but with Double Norwich he was supreme. On Sunday evenings when he had brought round a spectacular touch he would jump off the tenor box, rush across the belfry, fling open the door and say, 'Hark! buckets full of music rolling down the stairs.' And he was right; far superior music to what is produced from these fancy-named Surprise methods of today.

Many an evening practice in the dim light of the smoke, after a couple of L.B.M.'s, he would describe the drama and glory of the Wigston peal—of whether to call it round or not, and the uncertainty of whether he had won or lost. In one mood he would claim the Wigston tenor was 261 lb. heavier than that at Llanfeigan. It has, however, taken 60 years to lower the Wigston record.—Yours, etc.,

A. FLAT.

## Ringing Courses

Dear Sir,—As I receive frequent requests for dates and information about bellringing courses pending, it would help me if I could be given such information by those organising courses in bellringing.

I should be grateful if those concerned would be so good as to let me know of any courses that are planned.—Yours, etc.,

N. CHADDOCK,

Convener,

Sunday Service Ringing and Education Committee C.C.

17, Herringthorpe Grove, Rotherham.

## Cambridge Royal Peal

Dear Sir.—In case no one else has pointed it out, the composition of Cambridge Royal on page 540 of the 'R.W.' for August 7th appears in my collection as the property of the Rev. E. Banks James. Unfortunately I have not recorded where I found it so am unable to give 'chapter and verse.' No doubt someone else will oblige, if necessary.—Yours faithfully,

STEPHEN IVIN.

Houghton Conquest, Beds.

## Enderby Surprise Major

Dear Sir.—The list of 18 f.c.h.s for Enderby was most impressive: but would it not have been shorter to print just one member from each group, or better still to say 'falseness: groups D, N, O, T.' The information is useless anyway, without incidence, as the method is obviously not pealable in full courses.—Yours faithfully,

D. J. MARSHALL.

Long Eaton, Nottingham.

Dear Sir.—We have, on page 550, 'R.W.' August 14th, in the report of the peal of Enderby S.M., a prime example of the futility of publishing false course ends (or heads if you prefer it) without including their incidence.

At first glance one is much impressed by the ingenuity of the composer in producing a peal in a method with 18 f.c.es. Visions of a complex tenors parted peal arise.

However, on proving the method the truth dawns. One is tempted to ask whether it is coincidence that the length of the peal is 40 courses with a Before in each, such courses being clean proof.—Yours sincerely,

Eastleigh, Hants.

D. J. FORDER.

## A Washington Visit

Dear Sir,—On a recent visit to my daughter and son-in-law in America I was extremely fortunate to be able to spend two days in Washington and whilst there I quite naturally made a special point of visiting the magnificent Cathedral Church of St. Peter and St. Paul.

After numerous preliminary inquiries I was introduced to the assistant clerk of works, Mr. J. Fanfani, who for the summer months is Acting Ringing Master, and he quite readily agreed to conduct me to the recently dedicated tower for an inspection of the bells, the spacious ringing room and the carillon. As the bells were already silenced for practice I was privileged to ring up one of the bells, and the ringing conditions were certainly most impressive. Mr. Fanfani invited me to assist at the weekly practice on Saturday morning, but our schedule did not allow for a longer stay and I had to be content with a silent ring.

My wife and I were most thrilled to be conducted around the wonderful Cathedral of which the foundation stone was laid in 1912 and is still only partly completed. I was most grateful to receive from Mr. Fanfani a copy of the magnificent coloured brochure produced in connection with the recent dedication of the Gloria in Excelsis Tower. Circulation of the brochure has been very limited and my copy was inscribed by Mr. Fanfani as follows:

'Presented with the compliments of the Washington Cathedral Ringing Band.'

It was made abundantly clear to us what a wonderful impression was left behind the English ringers and we shall always cherish the memory of our visit.—Yours faithfully,

A. B. COOPER.

Kirk Ella, East Yorks.

## 'Bottling up' the sound

Dear Sir.—I recently came across another tower where sound control is inadequate due to the local church council's knowledge that to do so would imperil the tower by 'bottling up the sound.'

In my opinion less and less rings of bells will be available in the future for practices, meetings, tours and peals unless sound control is introduced widely. One of the obstacles to introducing sound control is this misconception on 'bottled up sound.'

It would be a great help if the Towers and Belfries Committee would issue a statement which would convince people that the sound from bells, bottled up or otherwise, has absolutely no deleterious effect on the tower structure.—Yours faithfully,

Derby.

DENIS R. CARLISLE.

## Yorkshire Royal in Herefordshire

Dear Sir.—Whilst congratulating the band that rang the peal of Yorkshire Royal at Hereford Cathedral recently, it is not the first peal of Yorkshire Royal in the county. One was rung at Leominster on April 7th, 1956.—Yours faithfully,

J. E. CAWSE.

Lichfield.

## First Handbell Peal in America

Dear Sir.—I wish to amend, through the columns of 'The Ringing World,' the footnote to the handbell peal rung in Washington, D.C., U.S.A., on May 7th, 1964.

The footnote should read: 'First peal on eight handbells and of Major in U.S.A.'

I am obliged to Messrs. Kenneth Arthur and Roland Park for writing on the subject and trust that the foregoing is acceptable for record purposes.—Yours sincerely,

FRANK C. PRICE.

Crowthorne, Berkshire.

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## OBITUARY

MR. ALBERT A. HUGHES

## AN APPRECIATION

With the death of Albert A. Hughes the London ringing scene is deprived of another inspiring and stalwart character.

Although he was known to have given generously of himself to church and civic life, he may well be best remembered by College Youths for his services as an officer of the Society and for his always genial companionship.

Throughout a membership of over sixty years he had enjoyed the full confidence of his colleagues. His Mastership during the 1914-1918 war was a memorable one and, without the generous hospitality he and Mrs. Hughes extended at the foundry from 1941 until 1954 it is hard to believe that continuity in the Society's activities could have been maintained.

Bert Hughes was a City liveryman and, quietly, over many influential years, he caused the College Youths to absorb something of the best in City tradition. The Society's proceedings today owe much to his example and by maintaining the simple dignities of the anniversary dinners, the Society will help to perpetuate the standards he valued and exemplified.

Always forward-looking and youthfully enthusiastic, he was also a valued link with ringing heroes of the past. His early ringing career was greatly influenced by the famous Matthew A. Wood, and it was at Bethnal Green that he learned to delight in good striking of the simpler methods. His apprenticeship on the rough-going East End rings enabled him later to tackle successfully many notable heavy bells and, although he did not aspire to the most complex heights of change ringing, he had taken a place with the best in Stedman Cinques. He was proud of having rung in the 1918 Thanksgiving for Victory peal at St. Paul's Cathedral, conducted by Mr. William T. Cockerill, and, until incurring a shoulder injury in the late 1950's, he regularly joined in the Sunday morning Stedman Cinques at St. Michael's, Cornhill.

Many will remember his conviviality. He loved the company of ringers and, ensconced in the meeting room with hat, pipe and stick, would talk happily with young friends and old, often regaling his companions, in convincing West Country style, with tales of the legendary Bulling-Hesse-Coleridge ringing tours.

The wise counsels of this kindly gentleman will be greatly missed, and all ringers will regret that to the roll of names such as Wood, Pettit, Cockerill, Lewis and Peck, the College Youths must now add, sadly but proudly, the name of Albert Arthur Hughes.

J. E. C.

Mr. William Shepherd (Addlestone) writes:

'Bert was a fine personality and carried on the business with striking efficiency. Like his father, Arthur Hughes, he was a great friend of ringers, was a good practical ringer and certainly we have lost one of the best shining lights of the Exercise. My deep sympathy goes to Mrs. Hughes and the family.'

## A COLLECTION OF DOUBLES METHODS

Compiled by GEOFFREY K. DODD and ROY H. JONES

## PART D

(Continued from page 545)

Method	Plain Course	Bob	Single	Notes
St. Michael	Plain Bob	Plain Bob	London Ex.	S-P-B-P x 3
Frilford	Plain Bob	Plain Bob	Thurlby Bob	S-P-B-P x 3
Thames	Plain Bob	P.L. Rev. Cant.	Old Doubles S.	B-P-S-P x 3
Kennet	Plain Bob	Rev. Cant.	London Ex.	S-B-S-P x 3
Nene	Plain Bob	Rev. Cant.	Thurlby Bob	S-B-S-P x 3(?)
Welland	Plain Bob	P.L. Rev. Cant.	All Saints P.L.	B-P-S-P x 3
Trent	Plain Bob	P.L. Rev. Cant.	Antelope S.	S-B-S-P x 3
Derwent	Plain Bob	P.L. Rev. Cant.	Grandsire S.	S-P-B-P x 3
Frome	Plain Bob	P.L. All Saints	Antelope S.	S-B-S-P x 3
Avon	Plain Bob	Antelope S.	Grandsire S.	S-B-S-P x 3
Severn	Rev. Cant.	Rev. Cant.	London Ex.	S-P-B-P x 3
Irwell	Rev. Cant.	Rev. Cant.	Thurlby Bob	S-P-B-P x 3
Dee	Rev. Cant.	Plain Bob	London Ex.	S-P-B-P x 3
Leigh	Rev. Cant.	Plain Bob	Thurlby	S-P-B-P x 3
St. Veronica	Rev. Cant.	P.L. Plain Bob	Old Doubles S.	S-P-B-P x 3
Bredenbury	Rev. Cant.	P.L. All Saints	Antelope S.	B-S-B-P x 3
Cherwell(?)	Rev. Cant.	Grandsire S.	Antelope S.	B-P-S-P x 3
Not known		London Ex.	Grandsire Ex.	P-S-P-B x 3
Evenlode(?)	Antelope B.			P-S-P-B x 3
Not known				
Not known	Antelope B.	P.L. Plain Bob	Grandsire S.	
Marlow	Antelope B.	P.L. Rev. Cant.	Grandsire S.	
Chinnor	Antelope B.	Not known	Not known	
Bledlow	Antelope S.	Not known	Not known	
Haseley	Antelope S.	Not known	Not known	
Cheddington	Antelope B.	Not known	Antelope S.	
Kingswood	Antelope B.	Not known	Antelope S.	
Ray	G'sire B.	P.L. Rev. Cant.	Antelope S.	B-P-S-P x 3
Isis	G'sire B.	P.L. Plain Bob	Antelope S.	B-P-S-P x 3
Moira	G'sire S.	P.L. Rev. Cant.	Grandsire B.	B-P-S-P x 3
Donisthorpe	G'sire S.	P.L. Plain Bob	Grandsire B.	B-P-S-P x 3
Lullington	G'sire S.	P.L. Rev. Cant.	All Saints P.L.	B-P-S-P x 3
Ashbourne	G'sire S.	P.L. Plain Bob	All Saints P.L.	B-P-S-P x 3
Ashley	G'sire S.	P.L. Plain Bob	Antelope S.	B-P-S-P x 3
Mayfield	G'sire S.	P.L. Rev. Cant.	Antelope S.	B-P-S-P x 3

These are false as they stand:

Bowhill	Grandsire B	P.L. Rev. Cant.	Old Doubles S.
St. Clement's	Grandsire B	P.L. Plain Bob	Old Doubles S.
Woodbury	Grandsire B	P.L. Plain Bob	
Kegworth	Grandsire B	P.L. Rev. Cant.	
Deene	Grandsire S.	P.L. Plain Bob	Old Doubles S.
Weldon	Grandsire S	P.L. Rev. Cant.	Old Doubles S.
Rissington	Plain Bob	Plain Bob	Antelope S.
Barrington	Rev. Cant.	Plain Bob	Antelope S.
Taynton	Plain Bob	Plain Bob	All Saints P.L.
Longboro'	Rev. Cant.	Plain Bob	All Saints P.L.
Broadway	Plain Bob	Rev. Canterbury	Old Doubles S.
Bourton	Rev. Cant.	Rev. Canterbury	Old Doubles S.
Compton	Plain Bob	Plain Bob	Grandsire S.
Blockley	Rev. Cant.	Plain Bob	Grandsire S.

## Please Note:—

Where B-P-S-P has been used P-B-P-S and S-P-B-P can be used.

B-S-B-P and S-B-S-P may work to many methods where they are not shown.

## CONCLUDED

Errata —(a) Buttermere, Dedworth Supreme, Stanford and Wychbold notes should read B-Ex-S-S-P-S Ex-B-P-Ex-P.

(b) Broadwas, 'See Northrepps' should be 'See Norfolk.'

(c) In Thurlby in Part B, Rev. St. Bartholomew should be at the bottom of the plain course, i.e., the change below should be above.

Rev. St. Bartholomew has not been left out. The plain course of Thurlby is made up of Grandsire Singles. Such a 'plain course' is usually called 'Rev. St. Bartholomew.'

## Warning.

Before calling methods in Part D to peals (or quarters) please check them even if they have been named. Those in Part D under the heading false have been called to quarters and, perhaps, to peals although we have not seen them in a peal column.

Some named methods in Part D could be another way of writing a method which appears in Part C: cf. Warkton and Charlton with Oxford and Honeysuckle.

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## LONG LENGTH

**BEKESBOURNE, KENT.**—On Aug. 15th, 2,400 Plain Bob Minor: M. Ostler 1, A. E. Davies 2, Mrs. D. A. Chapman 3, Miss G. M. James 4, D. L. Cawley 5, F. C. W. Knight (cond.) 6. A peal attempt called round.

## WAREHAM'S SURREY TOUR

**REIGATE.**—On Aug. 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Ruth A. Elmes 1, K. Game (cond.) 2, Mary E. Elmes 3, M. J. Young 4, G. W. Elmes 5, W. Inwood 6, A. Shelton 7, Joan Hanning 8.

**CHARLWOOD.**—On Aug. 3rd, 1,440 Grandsire Minor: Mary E. Elmes 1, Judith A. Robertson 2, Christine Mould 3, G. W. Elmes 4, E. G. Mould 5, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 6. First of Grandsire Minor by all.

**OUTWOOD.**—On Aug. 3rd, 1,272 Minimus (two methods): E. G. Mould 1, Christine Mould 2, Judith A. Robertson (cond.) 3, R. G. W. Robertson 4. First of Minimus by 1 and 2. Also 1,272 Plain Bob Minimus: Ruth A. Elmes 1, Mary E. Elmes 2, M. J. Young 3, G. W. Elmes (cond.) 4. First of Minimus by all.

**KINGSWOOD.**—On Aug. 4th, 1,260 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob Doubles: Ruth A. Elmes 1, Mary E. Elmes (first in method 'inside') 2, Judith A. Robertson 3, M. J. Young 4, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 5, G. W. Elmes 6. A belated wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Clark.

**FRESHAM.**—On Aug. 6th, 1,260 All Saints' Doubles: Ruth A. Elmes 1, Mary E. Elmes 2, Christine Mould 3, Judith A. Robertson 4, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 5, M. J. Young 6. First in the method by all.

**OCKHAM.**—On Aug. 7th, 1,380 Doubles (12 methods): Christine Mould 1, M. J. Young 2, Judith A. Robertson 3, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 4, G. W. Elmes 5. First in 12 methods by all.

**ASH.**—On Aug. 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. G. W. Robertson 1, Mary E. Elmes 2, Ruth A. Elmes (first of Grandsire 'inside') 3, M. J. Young 4, G. W. Elmes (cond.) 5, J. Sawtell 6.

**BUBBING, KENT.**—On August 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Susan J. Percy (first quarter, age 13) 1, Mrs. B. Percy 2, Janet M. Percy (cond.) 3, C. R. Percy (first quarter, age 13) 4, R. W. R. Percy 5, F. J. Cheal 6.

**BIDSTON, CHESHIRE.**—On Aug. 4th, 1,260 Minor (720 Oxford Single, 540 Plain Bob): Miss S. Singleton (first quarter) 1, C. R. Sutton 2, J. McCulloch 3, C. B. Pemberton 4, G. M. Roscamp 5, J. F. Clift (cond.) 6. 'A compliment to Miss A. Davies and Mr. G. M. Roscamp, on their recent engagement.

**BRIDGEHOLE, DEVON.**—On Aug. 15th, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: J. W. Sangwin 1, M. Sinden 2, C. S. Jarrett 3, E. Nunn 4, H. Heard 5, M. L. Howe 6, B. F. L. Groves (cond.) 7, H. Stacey 8. First in method 1, 4, 5, 8.

**BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDS.**—On Aug. 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: R. Poston 1, J. F. I. Turney 2, Julie A. V. Caligori 3, P. D. Sell 4, P. D. S. Caligori 5, M. C. W. Sherwood 6, G. T. Cousins (cond.) 7, W. P. Nash 8. First of Triples 3, 5 and 8. Last quarter on the bells before being rebung.

**BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.**—At the Norman Tower, on Aug. 8th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: C. Stannard (cond.) 1, A. W. Rolfe 2, A. Balam 3, J. Stannard 4, D. Rowlands 5, W. Goodship 6, P. Everett 7, J. Banks 8. Rung in memory of G. Genning.

**CHARTHAM, KENT.**—On Aug. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. A. Harrison 1, M. E. Harrison 2, D. Standing (first quarter) 3, R. C. Burton 4, C. H. Cook (first as cond.) 5, R. H. Glover (first quarter) 6. First quarter on bells for 16 years. Rung for local flower show.

**COWFOLD, SUSSEX.**—On Aug. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. R. Verrall 1, R. Boxall 2, R. Rapley (cond.) 3, R. F. Verrall 4, C. R. Longhurst 5, W. Cherriman 6. A compliment to Miss Mary Nicholson (daughter of the Vicar) and Dr. Stanley P. B. Percival, on their wedding day.

## QUARTER PEALS

**EAST HARPTREE, SOMERSET.**—On Aug. 10th, 1,440 Double Court and Double Oxford Bob Minor: G. Pullin 1, Monica Horseman 2, P. Gay 3, M. Heymann 4, E. Lee 5, J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 6.

**ELYDEN, SUFFOLK.**—On July 26th, 1,260 Minor (720 Oxford and 540 Kent): F. Sutton 1, Mrs. Ivings 2, J. Ivings 3, N. Watson 4, H. Ivings 5, J. Paul (cond.) 6. For family service.

**EPSOM COMMON, SURREY.**—On July 12th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Sally Parrott (first in method) 1, R. E. Fentiman 2, Adrienne Gibson 3, W. J. Munton (first in method) 4, W. Parrott 5, J. Harrison 6, D. J. Herschell (first in method as cond.) 7, D. J. K. Paul (first on eight) 8. For Evensong.

**ESSENDON, HERTS.**—On Aug. 10th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, St. Martin's, St. Simon's and Plain Bob): Susan Farnes 1, Gillian M. Bready 2, G. T. Ridgeway 3, M. J. Sherrick 4, K. J. Walpole (cond.) 5, Paula Healing 6. First quarter 1 and 6. Most methods to a quarter by all. A birthday compliment to Miss P. Healing.

**EYNESBURY, HUNTS.**—On Aug. 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. D. Bellamy (first quarter attempt) 1, G. W. Massey 2, A. J. Davey 3, G. E. Bonham 4, W. A. R. Chamberlain 5, P. Woolven (cond.) 6.

**GREAT BOWDEN, LEICS.**—On Aug. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Sally Buswell 1, Judy Morris 2, E. Cowd 3, E. W. Martin (cond.) 4, R. Martin 5. First quarter for both ladies.

**GREAT DALBY, LEICS.**—On July 23rd, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury, Plain Bob, Grandsire): J. T. P. Thorpe 1, A. E. Hinman 2, R. Smith 3, H. T. Bonshor (cond.) C. E. Cooper 5, Rung half-muffled as a token of respect to Mr. George William Howlett, who was laid to rest earlier in the day.

**GUSSAGE, DURSET.**—At St. Michael's, on Aug. 10th, 1,260 Old Bob Doubles: Christine Hawkes 1, Mary E. Elmes 2, Judith A. Robertson 3, R. G. W. Robertson 4, M. Hawkes (cond.) 5, G. W. Elmes 6. First in the variation by all.

**HALESOWEN, WORCS.**—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: P. W. Darby 1, M. Irene Ellmore 2, L. W. Clissett 3, B. E. Woodall 4, A. Pickering 5, Molly Tromans 6, A. B. Ellmore (cond.) 7, T. Greenhall 8. First of Plain Bob Triples 1 and 5. In honour of the birth of Sarah Gabrielle Billingham, daughter of the Rev. P. C. G. Billingham, curate of Halesowen.

**HALEWOOD, LANCs.**—At St. Nicholas' Church, on Aug. 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: N. P. A. Goulding (first quarter) 1, J. R. Ridley (first quarter) 2, Barbara J. Davies (first of Minor) 3, J. Dunbavin 4, R. E. J. Dennis (first as cond.) 5, T. M. Fitzgerald 6.

**HARROW-ON-THE-HILL, MIDDx.**—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss F. I. Studley 1, Mrs. R. A. Gage 2, Miss L. E. Simpson 3, J. Elliott 4, A. Fuwell 5, L. J. North 6, R. A. Gage (cond.) 7, A. Martin 8. Rung to mark the retirement from Parliament of Sir Winston Churchill, Freeman of the Borough of Harrow.

**HEMEL HEMPSTEAD, HERTS.**—On July 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Diana M. Kench 1, Elizabeth Gibbs (first quarter) 2, H. Gates 3, Ann Bond 4, Valerie Mills 5, A. R. Kench (cond.) 6, R. F. Kench (covering) 7. For Evensong.

**HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.**—On July 30th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. Newton 1, A. Clutton 2, D. Francis 3, J. Young 4, A. Fortin 5, R. Biggs 6, D. Knox (cond.) 7, L. Timms 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. E. R. Tucker, late headmaster of the Royal Grammar School, High Wycombe.

**KELSTON, SOMERSET.**—On Aug. 8th, 1,280 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob and Stedman): C. Barnford 1, R. M. Stubbs (cond.) 2, Mrs. M. Harrison 3, K. G. Harrison 4, E. Goater 5, P. R. Stubbs 6. Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Miss Mirella Stubbs.

**LAKENHEATH, SUFFOLK.**—On Aug. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob: F. Sutton 1, W. Paul (Warford) 2, D. Reeves 3, H. Fuller 4, G. Miller 5, J. Paul (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**MILTON REGIS, KENT.**—On Aug. 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: T. D. Wickens 1, Mrs. B. Percy 2, Janet M. Percy 3, F. J. Cheal 4, P. Wilkinson (cond.) 5, R. W. R. Percy 6.

**MINEHEAD, SOMERSET.**—On Aug. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. C. Arscott (Selworthy) 1, G. G. Davis (Cannington) 2, L. H. Arscott (Porlock) 3, H. W. Lloyd (Dunster, cond.) 4, P. J. Mallock (Ashton-under-Lyne) 5, C. J. Clegg (Ashton-under-Lyne) 6, R. F. Arscott (Wilton) 7, F. Middleton (Minehead) 8. For the 92nd birthday of Mr. Jack Pugsley.

**NORTHAM, SUSSEX.**—On Aug. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Valerie J. Howard 1, M. J. Howard 2, J. A. Howard 3, D. Slater 4, H. W. Woolven (cond.) 5, W. Button 6. Rung for the birth of the second granddaughter, Amanda Jane, of the ringer of the sixth.

**OFFTON, SUFFOLK.**—On July 31st, 1,440 Minor (St. Clement's and Kent T.B.): Christine Steward 1, Sandra Goodship 2, Mrs. W. Lockwood 3, G. R. Goodship 4, E. Lockwood 5, R. E. Lester (cond.) 6. To commemorate the 5th anniversary of the rededication of the bells.

**OLD RADNOR, RADs.**—On Aug. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. E. C. Chandler 1, Irene Elsmore 2, C. Lewis 3, R. Preece 4, B. Elsmore (cond.) 5, J. Hope 6. Rung to mark the dedication of a credence table in memory of Hedley Evans.

**ORCUP, HEREFORDS.**—On Aug. 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Julie A. V. Caligori 1, P. D. Sell 2, P. D. S. Caligori 3, M. C. W. Sherwood (cond.) 4, J. F. I. Turney 5.

**RAINHAM, KENT.**—On Aug. 8th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: Mrs. F. J. Cheal 1, F. J. Cheal 2, Miss S. J. Percy 3, Mrs. B. Percy 4, D. Breakspere 5, T. D. Wickens (cond.) 6, R. W. R. Percy 7, P. Thomas 8. First quarter at Oxford Bob Triples 3, 5, 6, 7 and 8. A birthday compliment to Miss K. Walker, sister of treble ringer.

**REDBURN, HERTS.**—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: H. Walker 1, Catherine Powell 2, Nina Thomas 3, R. Flanagan 4, A. Wilby 5, M. J. Bew (first of Minor as cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**ROCHESTER, KENT.**—At St. Margaret's Church, on July 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. Davidson (first quarter) 1, C. T. Osenton (cond.) 2, D. S. Osenton 3, C. S. Jarrett 4, B. Trill 5, G. Philpot 6, L. Crouch 7, G. Partington 8. Rung prior to the unveiling of a memorial tablet to Canon Wheatley.

**SANDRIDGE, HERTS.**—On Aug. 9th, 1,440 Kent and Plain Bob Minor: M. J. Sherrick 1, Nina B. Thomas 2, A. Wilby 3, A. T. Hawkins 4, F. W. Ellis 5, K. J. Walpole (first as cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to Miss Pauline Chce-eman, of Wheat-hampstead.

**SWINDON, WILTS.**—At Christ Church, on Aug. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Miss J. Davidge 1, Dr. C. G. Roworth 2, Mrs. I. Minchin 3, Miss S. Little 4, D. Carr (first of Royal) 5, P. Minchin 6, E. Sutton 7, A. G. Wells 8, W. W. T. Daniell 9, M. Stanley (first of Royal as cond.) 10. Rung to celebrate the 21st birthday of the conductor.

**STRATTON, CORNWALL.**—On Aug. 9th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: D. R. Bould 1, Mrs. M. A. Bould 2, R. L. K. Whittell 3, E. Nunn 4, H. Heard 5, A. Ballard 6, H. Stacey (cond.) 7, J. Holford 8. A belated birthday compliment to the Vicar, also as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Reuben Sanders. Also on Aug. 16th, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Margaret E. Chilton 1, Mrs. M. A. Bould 2, R. G. Pearce 3, C. S. Jarrett 4, A. E. Chilton 5, D. R. Bould 6, B. F. L. Groves (cond.) 7, M. L. Howe 8. First in the method 1, 2, 3, 6. A compliment to Myra Fuge (a local ringer), on her engagement to John Thomas; also a birthday compliment to G. Lee.

**TAUNTON, SOMERSET.**—At St. John's Church, on Aug. 11th, 1,620 Grandsire Doubles: Lesley Britton (first long length, 14) 1, T. Spearing 2, R. Beale (cond.) 3, Jennifer Lunn 4, D. J. Beale 5, M. Dunn (first long length) 6. A farewell to treble ringer, who is leaving the district.

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**JOINT MEETING AT HARROW**

There was a good attendance, with over 50 members present, at Harrow-on-the-Hill for the joint meeting between the North and East Districts of the Middlesex County Association and the Central District of the Ladies' Guild on August 8th.

From 3 p.m. onwards the bells (8, 19½ cwt.) rang out to a variety of methods, including Spliced Surprise: the ringing being of good standard. An all ladies touch of Stedman Triples showed that the services of the gentlemen were not really necessary, even to handle the heavier bells. The roof of Harrow Church is easily accessible from the belfry, and many took the opportunity to have a look at the latest acquisition to London's skyline, viz., the new Post Office Tower, near Tottenham Court Road.

The service was conducted by the Rev. Guy Whitcombe, vicar of St. Mary's, who gave an enjoyable résumé of the history of bells throughout the ages. Mr. White accompanied at the organ. An excellent tea then followed in the adjacent Church Hall.

As most of the ladies present were members of the Middlesex Association, the business of that Association was first on the agenda. At this meeting Mr. M. Miller (Stanmore), Miss Susan Jenkins and Mr. C. Brundrett (Harrow Weald) were elected as ringing members, and Miss Christine Rimmer (St. Albans), Peter Joyce (Farnborough), Julia A. Fellows (St. Albans) and Malcolm M. Powell (Bristol) added to the list of non-resident life members. Visitors present included Mr. M. J. Hallett, secretary of the S.W. District of the Essex Association, and Mr. H. Heath, secretary of the Chippenham Branch, Gloucester and Bristol Association.

Before the Middlesex members returned to the belfry, Mr. G. Hart thanked all who had contributed to the success of the proceedings: Miss Lorna Simpson for making the arrangements and other members of the local band and Mr. Rose for an excellent tea. Mrs. T. J. Lock expressed the thanks of the Ladies' Guild for the arrangements made for a joint meeting at rather short notice. E. H. K.

**OBITUARY****MR. WILLIAM LINTER**

We regret to record the death of Mr. William Linter, of 16, Uplands Crescent, Fareham, on August 15th, aged 74.

Mr. Linter came of a bellringing family and rang with his father and brothers at Swanmore, Hants. For many years he was a Church Army officer and worked in various centres.

After settling in Fareham, he took an active part in local ringing, ringing in peals at various churches. He served the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild faithfully as treasurer and also as chairman of the Portsmouth District, and when unable to take an active part maintained his contact with the Exercise through 'The Ringing World.'

Mr. Linter was one of the ringers who took part in 'The Great Adventure' to Australia and New Zealand in 1934.

The funeral service was at Fareham on August 19th and was followed by interment at Swanmore. There was half-muffled ringing on the ten bells at Fareham after the service.

**MR. P. SWINDLEY**

Regretting the passing of Mr. P. Swindley, of Chester, Mr. B. Harris writes: Though a controversial figure in Cheshire ringing, he had given a great deal of encouragement to many, including myself. He had a clever knack in selecting simple new methods for inexperienced bands and there were several of us ringing with him round about 1950 who had rung only very few peals, but in a great variety of methods.

Though a capable conductor and tenor man, he was always ready to hand over these duties to others to encourage them. He was always ready to help out with train fare or non-resident life subscriptions for those of us who were then still at school.

**WILBURTON, ELY, CAMBS.**—On Aug. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. A. Payne 1, G. Markwell 2, Miss J. Cook 3, D. Murfett 4, J. Causer 5, A. Payne (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. H. M. Boswell, wife of Rev. H. M. Boswell (retired), Vicar from 1946-1958.

**OUTINGS****CHARING AND LITTLE CHART, KENT**

The success of the outing of Charing and Little Chart ringers and friends on July 25th justifies the hope of making it an annual event.

Sussex was entered after ringing at Sandhurst (6), and Burwash and Heathfield provided eight-bell ringing to which a large proportion of the party were unaccustomed. Grandsire Triples and Bob Major were, however, achieved. Ringing at Warbleton (6) followed a picnic lunch. The afternoon's towers were Hailsham (8) and Westham (6), where Stedman provided the best ringing of the day.

An hour was spent on the beach at Pevensey and then came high tea at Sedlescombe. At the church a rope was broken. Ringing ended at Northiam (6), where a course of Cambridge was rung. Incumbents and ringers who met the party are thanked for their kind co-operation.

**HARSTON AND DISTRICT**

Cars from Harston, Haslingfield and Mel-dreth, nine in all, took ringers and their families to visit some Bedfordshire sixes on August Bank Holiday.

Ringing started at 10 a.m. at Henlow, then the party went on to Arlesey. The next move was to Haynes for five bells and a picnic lunch in the churchyard. Here it was discovered that two junior members of the company were no longer with us. However, they were speedily recovered from police custody in Arlesey.

The interval before tea at Sandy was pleasantly filled by calls at Silsoe, Elstow and Cople. Half an hour at Pottun rounded off a most successful day.

We are all most grateful to the local ringers and to Brian Threlfall for his efficient organisation. H. E. B.

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We feel certain that the silver and blue ash or pin tray which Mr. W. H. Viggers is now marketing specially for those with an interest in bells will meet a demand from ringers and their friends. The bell, which forms the centre-piece, is modelled from Bow tenor. Details were advertised on p. 571 of last week's issue.

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The 92nd birthday of the G.O.M. of the Dunster Branch, Mr. Jack Pugsley, was duly honoured on August 15th by a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples on Minehead bells. For many years Mr. Pugsley was conductor of this tower, and also Ringing Master of the Dunster Branch of the Bath and Wells Association. There was a late completion of the band, and Messrs. P. J. Mallock and C. J. Clegg, of Ashton-under-Lyne, and Mr. F. C. Arscott, of Selworthy, are thanked for their services.

Mr. Frederick Sharpe asks for photographs of cracked towers, especially those split vertically. His address is 'Derwen,' Lapton, Bicester, Oxon.

Two eminent Sussex ringers taking part in a recent peal attempt found that a third hand would have come in useful to hold up their 'self-supporting' trousers.

Mr. Peter Bridle, of Long Ashton, met with a cycling accident on August 9th, receiving head injuries. He is now recovering in White Ward of the Bristol Royal Infirmary, after having been unconscious for several days. His friends wish him a speedy recovery.

We hope that 14-year-old Lesley Britton, one of St. James', Taunton, teenage ringers, whose name appears in our quarter peal column, will be able to continue her ringing at Slough. Her father, who is a schoolmaster, was a lay reader at St. James'.

The 75th birthday of Mr. Charles Geary, of Long Eaton, was not only commemorated by a peal on Long Eaton bells on which he rang the fifth on the actual day, but with the presentation of a pipe and tobacco afterwards in 'The Queen's.' This is reputed to be the first building Charley entered when he came to Long Eaton over 50 years ago.

On a recent Yorkshire peal week, Kenneth B. Sissons, of All Saints', Sherburn-in-Elmet, rang his 100th peal for the Yorkshire Association, being the fifth ringer from this tower to do so during the past seven years. Also Alan Sheppard and John Potts rang their 100th peal together, being the second pair from this tower to do so during the same period.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

In the peal at St. Florence, Pembrokeshire, three generations of the Jenkins family took part—L. Henry Jenkins, his son Ivor, and grandson Christopher, aged 14 years. It had long been Henry's ambition to ring in his grandson's first peal and this was achieved at the first attempt. These three generations have rung in a 'first' together before at Cardigan in August, 1962, when Christopher rang his first quarter at the age of 12.

A correspondent who read with great interest Mr. Peter Came's article comments that Mr. John Betjeman entitled his autobiographical blank-verse poem, 'Summoned by bells.'

Mr. P. D. Chapman informs us that Miss Janet Gamble is the first lady taught in Walthamstow tower to ring a quarter peal there. Her twin sister hopes soon to ring her first quarter there.

R. Offen, aged 11, of Tenterden, writes regarding 'spur stays' that he has found another tower in Kent with a complete set—at Egerton (6, 10 cwt.). These bells are rung regularly.

Mr. F. A. Salter, of St. Peter's, Nottingham, has recently left the City Hospital, where he underwent a major operation. His many friends in and around the Mansfield district wish him a speedy recovery, and look forward to ringing with him again before long.

The so-called 'Battle of Hastings, 1964,' did not hinder the ringing, at the first attempt, of the first peal on the new Taylor eight at St. Clement's, Hastings. Three of the ringers in this peal have now completed the 'hat-trick' by ringing peals at the three Hastings towers on successive Bank Holidays.

The Percy twins—Susan and Charles—children of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. R. Percy, of Willington, Sussex, rang their first quarter at Bobbing, Kent, on August 10th. Father and mother and sister Janet, who conducted, also took part. Tenor man was Mr. F. J. Cheal, with whom the Percy family had a very enjoyable holiday. Ringing was at Rainham, Milton Regis, Hartlip and Hoo.

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**J. MARTIN THORLEY'S PEAL WEEK****ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**

PONTEFRAC, Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Saints.  
On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in 12 methods: (1) Beverley and Surfleet, (2) Oxford and Kent, (3) Thelwall and Childwall, (4) Double Bob and Single Oxford, (5) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (6) Cambridge and (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 12½ cwt.

Melvyn A. Rose .. .. Treble	J. Martin Thorley .. 4
*Kenneth B. Sissons .. 2	*Alan Sheppard .. 5
Roger D. Bailey .. .. 3	Alan G. Payne .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

\* 75th peal together.

OWSTON FERRY, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Martin.

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being extents of Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 12½ cwt.

J. Martin Thorley .. .. Treble	Melvyn A. Rose .. .. 4
Alan Sheppard .. .. 2	John Potts .. .. 5
John F. Underwood .. 3	Kenneth B. Sissons .. Tenor

Conducted by KENNETH B. SISSONS.

BELTON, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in ten methods: (1) Double Bob and Single Oxford, (2) Cambridge, (3) Thelwall, Double Oxford, Childwall and St. Clement's; (4) Oxford T.B., (5) Kent T.B., (6 and 7) Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

*Kenneth B. Sissons .. Treble	John F. Underwood .. 4
John Potts .. .. 2	Alan Sheppard .. 5
Melvyn A. Rose .. .. 3	J. Martin Thorley .. Tenor

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

\* 100th peal.

HEMINGBROUGH, Yorkshire.—At the Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

On Tues., Aug. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in 11 methods: (1) Double Bob and Fulbeck, (2) Cambridge, (3) Thelwall, Double Oxford, Childwall and St. Clement's, (4) Oxford and Kent, (5) Single Oxford and Plain Bob, (6 and 7) Plain Bob. Tenor 10½ cwt.

Alan Sheppard .. .. Treble	Melvyn A. Rose .. .. 4
*Kenneth B. Sissons .. 2	John Potts .. .. 5
John F. Underwood .. 3	J. Martin Thorley .. Tenor

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

\* 100th peal for the Yorkshire Association.

WRAGBY, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Michael and Our Lady.

On Wed., Aug. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in ten methods: (1) Thelwall and Childwall, (2) Cambridge, (3) Double Bob and Single Oxford, (4) Oxford and Kent, (5) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (6 and 7) Plain Bob. Tenor 10½ cwt.

Melvyn A. Rose .. .. Treble	John Potts .. .. 4
Kenneth B. Sissons .. 2	John F. Underwood .. 5
Alan Sheppard .. .. 3	J. Martin Thorley .. Tenor

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

Rung on St. Oswald's Day.

HOLME-ON-SPALDING-MOOR, Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Wed., Aug. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being extents of Double Bob, Cambridge, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 6½ cwt.

*John Potts .. .. Treble	John F. Underwood .. 4
Melvyn A. Rose .. .. 2	*Alan Sheppard .. 5
J. Martin Thorley .. 3	Kenneth B. Sissons .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN SHEPPARD.

\* 100th peal together.

GAMSTON, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Thurs., Aug. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in ten methods: (1) Thelwall and Childwall, (2) Cambridge, (3) Double Bob and Single Oxford, (4) Oxford and Kent, (5) Double Oxford, (6) St. Clement's and (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.

Kenneth B. Sissons .. Treble	Alan Sheppard .. .. 4
John Potts .. .. 2	John F. Underwood .. 5
Melvyn A. Rose .. .. 3	J. Martin Thorley .. Tenor

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

NORTH WHEATLEY, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Thurs., Aug. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being extents of Double Bob, Cambridge, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.

*Melvyn A. Rose .. .. Treble	J. Martin Thorley .. 4
John F. Underwood .. 2	Kenneth B. Sissons .. 5
*Alan Sheppard .. .. 3	*John Potts .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

\* 25th peal together.

KIRK DEIGHTON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., Aug. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in eight methods: (1) Cambridge, (2) Kent T.B., (3) Oxford T.B., (4) Double Bob and Single Oxford, (5) Double Oxford, (6) St. Clement's and (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

*John F. Underwood .. Treble	Kenneth B. Sissons .. 4
Melvyn A. Rose .. .. 2	*Alan Sheppard .. 5
John Potts .. .. 3	J. Martin Thorley .. Tenor

Conducted by ALAN SHEPPARD.

\* 25th peal together. 50th as conductor.

CAMPSALL, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in nine methods: (1) Cambridge, (2) Oxford T.B., (3) Double Oxford and Thelwall, (4) Single Oxford, (5) St. Clement's and Childwall, (6) Kent T.B. and (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt.

Kenneth B. Sissons .. Treble	J. Martin Thorley .. 4
Alan Sheppard .. .. 2	John F. Underwood .. 5
Melvyn A. Rose .. .. 3	John Potts .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

A compliment to the conductor and Paddy on their tenth wedding anniversary.

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

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 31 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part (7th observation). Tenor 17 cwt.

Alan Sheppard .. .. Treble	James Thorley .. .. 5
J. Martin Thorley .. 2	Leslie M. Woodhead .. 6
John Potts .. .. 3	*Kenneth B. Sissons .. 7
*John F. Underwood .. 4	Melvyn A. Rose .. .. Tenor

Conducted by KENNETH B. SISSONS.

\* 25th peal together.

**A SURREY PEAL WEEK****ALL PEALS FOR THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

SHALFORD, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb. in F sharp.

Christopher F. Mew .. Treble	Peter J. Joyce .. .. 5
Alan R. Millidge .. .. 2	Alan E. Bagworth .. 6
Noel R. Waite .. .. 3	A. Patrick Cannon .. 7
Stanley G. Ponting .. 4	Geoffrey K. Dodd .. Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN.

Conducted by GEOFFREY K. DODD.

DORKING, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Martin.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 23 cwt. in E.

Alan R. Millidge .. Treble	Stanley G. Ponting .. 5
Christopher F. Mew .. 2	Geoffrey K. Dodd .. 6
John P. Maybrey .. .. 3	Alan E. Bagworth .. 7
*Noel F. Waite .. .. 4	A. Patrick Cannon .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

\* First peal in the method.

HERSHAM, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Wed., Aug. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. in G sharp.

Stanley G. Ponting .. Treble	Brian J. Bull .. .. 5
*Alan R. Millidge .. 2	Philip G. K. Davies .. 6
*Christopher F. Mew .. 3	Noel R. Waite .. .. 7
Alan R. Bridges .. .. 4	Alan E. Bagworth .. Tenor

Composed by G. H. CROSS.

Conducted by ALAN E. BAGWORTH.

\* 25th peal together.

ASHTHEAD, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Thurs., Aug. 13, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MAJOR**

Consisting of 3,600 Plain Bob and 1,440 Cambridge Surprise; with 90 changes of method. Tenor 14 cwt. 8 lb. in F.

Christopher F. Mew .. Treble	Noel R. Waite .. .. 5
Philip G. K. Davies .. 2	Alan R. Millidge .. 6
Alan R. Bridges .. .. 3	John F. M. Maybrey .. 7
Stanley G. Ponting .. 4	Michael J. Bangham .. Tenor

Arranged by ROGER BALDWIN. Conducted by CHRISTOPHER F. MEW.

First peal of Spliced Plain and Surprise Major for all the band, and for the Association.



EWELL, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.  
On Thurs., Aug. 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 ST. SIMON'S TRIPLES

Tenor 13 cwt, 3 qr. 20 lb. in F sharp.

Alan R. Millidge .. .. Treble	John F. M. Maybrey .. 5
Noel R. Waite .. .. 2	Philip G. K. Davies .. 6
Alan R. Bridges .. .. 3	Christopher F. Mew .. 7
Michael J. Bangham .. 4	Stanley G. Ponting .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN HOLT.

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER F. MEW.

First peal in the method for all the band, and for the Association.

CHARLWOOD, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Fri., Aug. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and one of Plain Bob.

Christopher F. Mew .. Treble	John F. M. Maybrey .. 4
Alan R. Bridges .. .. 2	Stanley G. Ponting .. 5
Noel R. Waite .. .. 3	A Patrick Cannon .. Tenor

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER F. MEW.

PUTNEY, London.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Taylor's Six-Part. Tenor 15 cwt, 1 qr. 4 lb. in F.

Alan E. Bagworth .. Treble	*Noel R. Waite .. 5
Michael J. Uphill .. 2	Christopher F. Mew .. 6
*Alan R. Bridges .. 3	Stanley G. Ponting .. 7
John F. M. Maybrey .. 4	Alan R. Millidge .. Tenor

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER F. MEW.

\* First peal of Grandsire Triples.

Rung in memory of Albert A. Hughes.

WITLEY, Surrey.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

### A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt, 1 qr. 22 lb.

Christopher F. Mew .. Treble	Alan R. Bridges .. 5
Noel R. Waite .. .. 2	Michael J. Uphill .. 6
Alan E. Bagworth .. 3	Stanley G. Ponting .. 7
Alan R. Millidge .. 4	A. Patrick Cannon .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD. Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

The conductor's 75th tower for a peal in the county.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. A. P. Cannon.

## TWELVE AND TEN BELL PEALS

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

LINCOLN—In St. Hugh's Tower at the Cathedral Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 23 cwt, 3 qr. 23 lb. in D.

*J. A. Harrison (Sidney) Treble	M. Press (King's) .. 7
A. S. Hudson (Clare) .. 2	*L. R. H. Smith (Queens') 8
J. M. H. Hunter (Trinity) 3	A. R. Heppenstall (Selwyn) 9
*V. Nutton (Selwyn) .. 4	C. H. Rogers (Emmanuel) 10
K. J. Darvill (St. Cath's) 5	C. M. P. Johnson (Selwyn) 11
*R. M. Damarell (Corpus) 6	M. L. J. Jordan (Trin. Hall) Tenor

Composed by HADLEY HUNTER. Conducted by ANDREW S. HUDSON.

\* First peal of Stedman Cinques.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

SAFFRON WALDEN, Essex.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 43 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 24 cwt, in E flat.

Cecil W. Pipe .. .. Treble	Ernest W. Pye .. 7
John R. Mayne .. .. 2	*Andrew T. Beckwith .. 8
George W. Pipe .. .. 3	Norman J. Goodman .. 9
Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 4	Howard W. Egglestone .. 10
Edward P. Duffield .. 5	John H. Crampson .. 11
Bernard W. Fairhead .. 6	Frank E. Darby .. Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by GEORGE W. PIPE.

\* First blow of Cambridge Surprise Maximus.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

HIGH WYCOMBE, Bucks.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 45 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS

Tenor 29 cwt, 3 qr. 14 lb. in C sharp.

Frederick R. Scott .. Treble	†Derek Francis .. 7
David P. Hilling .. .. 2	William Birmingham .. 8
John E. Camp .. .. 3	†Sidney M. Bailey .. 9
Dennis Knox .. .. 4	J. Keith Ward .. 10
*Vernon Green .. .. 5	John R. Mayne .. 11
Ivor H. Trueman .. 6	Frank C. Price .. Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by FRANK C. PRICE.

\* First peal of Treble Bob Maximus. † First of Maximus. First on the bells since being retuned and rehung.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

NORTH STONEHAM, Hants.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 ITCHEN COURT BOB ROYAL

Tenor 10 cwt, 44 lb. in G.

Tom Chapman .. Treble	Christopher C. Clarke .. 6
*David J. Forder .. 2	Edward R. Venn .. 7
David P. Hilling .. 3	William Birmingham .. 8
Reginald W. Rex .. 4	Wilfrid G. Wilson .. 9
Geoffrey K. Dodd .. 5	Alan R. Pink .. Tenor

Composed by F. H. DEXTER.

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

\* 100th peal, and has now 'circled the tower' to peals. First in the method.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

FRINDSBURY, Kent.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Washbrook's variation.

Tenor 16 cwt, in F.

Terence Barton .. Treble	David T. Darby .. 5
David S. Osenton .. 2	Robert W. Hinde .. 6
Martin L. Howe .. 3	Bernard F. L. Groves .. 7
Cyril S. Jarrett .. 4	Peter G. Richards .. Tenor

Conducted by BERNARD F. L. GROVES.

Rung for the centenary of the birth of James Washbrook on July 27th.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

BUCKLEY, Flintshire.—At the Church of St. Matthew.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt, 2 qr. 7 lb.

George F. Sperring .. Treble	Edward V. Rodenhurst .. 5
Frederick R. Evans .. 2	Dennis H. B. Millward .. 6
Philip J. Evans .. 3	John W. Griffiths .. 7
John S. Dean .. 4	*Geoffrey Parting .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE.

Conducted by JOHN W. GRIFFITHS.

\* 50th peal.

Rung to the memory of Percy Swindley, captain of the Chester Cathedral and St. Mary-without-the-Walls ringers, 1951-1964.

THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

LONG EATON, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Lawrence.

On Fri., Aug. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt.

Denis R. Carlisle .. Treble	Charles Geary .. 5
David J. Marshall .. 2	Derek G. Astridge .. 6
William E. Simpson .. 3	Gordon A. Halls .. 7
Girling Rigby .. 4	David W. Friend .. Tenor

Composed by G. H. CROSS.

Conducted by GORDON A. HALLS.

Rung as a 75th birthday compliment to Charley Geary, a ringer at this tower for over 50 years.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

DURSLEY, Gloucestershire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5090 ZELAH SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt, 2 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.

James R. Taylor .. Treble	Michael J. Hobbs .. 5
Jennifer M. Taylor .. 2	Peter Bridle .. 6
Alan Tubb .. 3	D. John Hunt .. 7
John H. Taylor .. 4	Ralph G. Edwards .. Tenor

Composed by BRIAN D. PRICE.

Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

First peal in the method on the bells, and by all the band except the conductor.

HENBURY, Bristol.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Wed., Aug. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5088 GAINSBOROUGH SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt, in E flat.

D. John Hunt .. Treble	*Michael J. Hobbs .. 5
*Alan Tubb .. 2	*Cliff Richards .. 6
*Jennifer M. Taylor .. 3	*†James R. Taylor .. 7
*John H. Taylor .. 4	R. Kingsley Mason .. Tenor

Composed by A. CRAVEN.

Conducted by D. JOHN HUNT.

\* First peal in the method. † 150th peal. The conductor has now completed the alphabet to peals of Surprise Major as conductor.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

TUNSTALL, Kent.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt, 2 qr. 4 lb. in A flat.

Martin L. Howe .. Treble	David T. Darby .. 5
David S. Osenton .. 2	Robert W. Hinde .. 6
Hilary F. Martin .. 3	Christopher T. Osenton .. 7
*Terence Barton .. 4	Cyril S. Jarrett .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by CHRISTOPHER T. OSENTON.

\* First peal in the method, and has 'completed the circle' of the tower. First in the method as conductor.



## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ACCRINGTON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Thurs., July 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5280 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in G.

Roger Leigh .. .. Treble	Richard S. Starkie .. . 5
J. Barry Pickup .. . 2	Jeffrey Kershaw .. . 6
Margaret E. Fort .. . 3	Richard J. Parker .. . 7
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. 4	Norman Smith .. . Tenor

Composed by N. SMITH. Conducted by RICHARD J. PARKER.

PRESTON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. John.

On Mon., Aug. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, comprising 1,792 Cambridge, 1,504 Superlative, 992 London and 768 Bristol; with 101 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell.

Tenor 24 cwt. 18 lb.

Richard S. Starkie .. Treble	Richard J. Parker .. . 5
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. 2	Ernest Bennett .. . 6
Susan Funnell .. . 3	Cyril Crossthwaite .. . 7
Philip J. Crossthwaite .. 4	James H. Pailing .. . Tenor

Composed by HAROLD G. CASHMORE. Conducted by JAMES H. PAILING.

SOUTHPORT, Lancashire.—At Christ Church.

On Mon., Aug. 10, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5152 BOMBAY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

Victor Draper .. .. Treble	Norman Heaps .. . 5
Ronald Kenrick .. . 2	Thomas W. Hesketh .. . 6
Martin Snape .. . 3	Edwin C. Birkett .. . 7
Thomas S. Horridge .. 4	Jos. ph Ridyard .. . Tenor

Composed by SHIRLEY BURTON. Conducted by JOSEPH RIDYARD.

First peal in the method by the band, on the bells, and by the Association.

Rung in honour of the birth of a son to the Rev. and Mrs. M. C. Ridyard, of Bombay Diocese.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

BELGRAVE, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 23 lb. in F.

J. Edward Cawser .. Treble	Ralph Elkington .. . 5
Beryl E. Cawser .. . 2	Gerald Reynolds .. . 6
W. Ernest Rawson .. . 3	E. Alan Jacques .. . 7
Michael Stimpson .. . 4	Roland H. Cook .. . Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by J. EDWARD CAWSE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

LINCOLN.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Mon., Aug. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 lb. in E.

Jack L. Millhouse .. Treble	William L. Exton .. . 5
Joyce M. Gurnhill .. . 2	Geoffrey Paul .. . 6
Claire Dillamore .. . 3	Peter A. Sharp .. . 7
*Harold F. Gibson .. . 4	Geoffrey R. Parker .. . Tenor

Composed by F. SHALLCROSS. Conducted by GEOFFREY R. PARKER.

\* First peal of Bristol Surprise Major.  
Rung as a compliment to Rev. David Gray (curate of this church) and Miss Rosemary Thurgood on their marriage.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

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

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5000 LITTLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 24 cwt. 14 lb. in D.

Ernest G. Jones .. Treble	Robert A. Reeves .. . 5
Charlotte A. Bennett .. 2	Barry J. Davies .. . 6
Mark W. Sayers .. . 3	Michael W. Coleman .. . 7
Edward R. Venn .. . 4	Christopher C. Clarke .. . Tenor

Composed by EDWIN H. LEWIS. Conducted by MICHAEL W. COLEMAN.

First peal in the method for all the band except treble ringer.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. Robert A. Reeves and Miss Diana M. French, both ringers at this church.

## BOMBAY SURPRISE MAJOR

(Shirley Burton's Collection, No. 2478)

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KINGHAM, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

*James Attwood, jun. .. Treble	Arthur C. Berry .. . 5
Michael G. Selby .. . 2	Michael J. Fellows .. . 6
Edward W. Colley .. . 3	Martin D. Fellows .. . 7
Geoffrey J. Hemming .. 4	Gerald C. Hemming .. . Tenor

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY.

Conducted by GERALD C. HEMMING.

\* First peal of Major. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in F sharp.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

ATTENBOROUGH, Notts.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 21 lb. in F sharp.

Joyce M. Gurnhill .. Treble	George H. Randles .. . 5
*Anne E. Bateson .. . 2	Geoffrey R. Parker .. . 6
Norah M. Randles .. . 3	John Walden .. . 7
Jack L. Millhouse .. . 4	Peter A. Sharp .. . Tenor

Composed by STEPHEN IVIN. Conducted by PETER A. SHARP.

\* First peal of Bristol Surprise Major.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

HASTINGS, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Clement.

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Tenor 15 cwt.

Sir A. P. Heywood's transposition of 'Hurstans' .. Treble	Antony Jackson .. . 5
Leonard Stilwell .. . 2	John C. Baldwin .. . 6
W. Arthur Riddington .. 3	*Edward F. P. Bryant .. . 7
Nicholas J. Davies .. . 4	R. Ian Vaughan .. . Tenor

Conducted by EDWARD F. P. BRYANT.

\* 75th peal. First on the bells.

Rung to congratulate the conductor on obtaining his Bachelor of Arts degree at Manchester University.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

HUDDERSFIELD, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Mark, Longwood.

On Thurs., Aug. 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. in F sharp.

Roger J. Lumley .. Treble	Derek Ashton .. . 5
B. Gillian Schofield .. . 2	Barry Sullivan .. . 6
*Vivian Nutton .. . 3	A. Peter Whitehead .. . 7
Neil Bennett .. . 4	Frederick Shalfcross .. . Tenor

Composed by S. J. IVIN. Conducted by NEIL BENNETT.

\* First peal in the method. First of Surprise on the bells.

Rung to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone of the tower.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BATHFORD, SOMERSET.—At the Church of St. Swithin.

On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. .. Tenor 10 cwt. 7 lb. in A flat.	
Alan F. Lee .. Treble	*Julian E. Newman .. . 4
Douglas G. Brown .. . 2	†Kenneth H. Harrison .. . 5
Robin M. Stubbs .. . 3	David T. H. Robertson .. . Tenor

Conducted by ALAN F. LEE.

\* First peal of Minor 'inside.' † First of Minor.

## THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Thurs., July 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being four extents of Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 6½ cwt.	
David W. Parkin .. Treble	Trevor Taylor .. . 4
David W. Friend .. . 2	Michael A. Willis .. . 5
Reginald Wallis .. . 3	Anthony Laughton .. . Tenor

Conducted by TREVOR TAYLOR.

## THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

UPLYME, Devon.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being 2,160 and four different 720's. .. Tenor 12 cwt.	
Frank C. Knight .. Treble	Henry G. Keeley .. . 4
Raymond P. Selway .. . 2	William E. Turner .. . 5
Rev. Chris. J. B. Marshall .. 3	Rev. Roger Keeley .. . Tenor

Conducted by REV. ROGER KEELEY.

First peal on the bells since their restoration in 1959.

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THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.  
MORETON, Essex.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.  
On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents of Cambridge Surprise, two of Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob.  
Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 17 lb. in G.  
\*Colin G. Wright .. .. Treble Stanley F. Clark .. .. 4  
\*Andrew R. F. C. Crowson 2 Dennis A. Hewitt .. .. 5  
\*Anthony M. Faulkner .. 3 Dennis Ellisdon .. .. Tenor

Conducted by DENNIS ELLISDON.

\* First peal in three methods.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
SHIPTON MOYNE, Glos.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist.  
On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.  
Tenor 15 cwt.  
\*Graham Minors .. .. Treble John H. Taylor .. .. 4  
Alan Tubb .. .. 2 Hugh N. Evans .. .. 5  
Andrew Howard .. .. 3 F. Cecil Mogford .. .. Tenor

Conducted by HUGH N. EVANS.

\* First peal.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION  
CUXTON, Kent.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.  
On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Single Oxford, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Cambridge Surprise and Plain Bob.  
Tenor 8 cwt.  
Martin L. Howe .. .. Treble Bernard F. L. Groves .. .. 4  
David S. Osenton .. .. 2 Cyril S. Jarrett .. .. 5  
Christopher T. Osenton .. 3 Trevor A. Cross .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CYRIL S. JARRETT.

First peal on the newly-augmented bells.

HALLING, Kent.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 LIGHTFOOT SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents.  
Tenor 11 cwt. 9 lb. in A flat.  
Martin L. Howe .. .. Treble Christopher T. Osenton .. .. 4  
Peter Wilkinson .. .. 2 Trevor A. Cross .. .. 5  
\*Norman Mattingley .. 3 Cyril S. Jarrett .. .. Tenor

Conducted by TREVOR A. CROSS.

\* First peal of Surprise 'inside.' First in the method by all the band, and on the bells.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
ACCRINGTON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. James.  
On Wed., Aug. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of St. Clement's, Double Oxford, Single Oxford and four of Plain Bob.  
Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in G.  
Raymond D. Helliwell .. Treble Roger Leigh .. .. 4  
Philip J. Crossthwaite .. 2 Jeffrey Kershaw .. .. 5  
Margaret E. Fort .. .. 3 Richard J. Parker .. .. Tenor

Conducted by RICHARD J. PARKER.

ACCRINGTON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sun., Aug. 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In eight methods: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Oxford T.B., (3) Kent T.B., (4) Single Oxford Bob, (5) Double Oxford Bob, (6) St. Clement's Bob, (7) Plain and Double Bob.  
Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in G.  
Raymond D. Helliwell .. Treble Philip J. Crossthwaite .. .. 4  
Richard J. Parker .. .. 2 Cyril Crossthwaite .. .. 5  
J. Barry Pickup .. .. 3 Roger Leigh .. .. Tenor

Conducted by CYRIL CROSTHWAITE.

COPPULL, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. John.

On Wed., Aug. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different callings.  
Tenor 16 cwt.  
Barbara Yapp .. .. Treble Lester Briers .. .. 4  
Frank Bentham .. .. 2 William O. Farrimond .. .. 5  
David Borland .. .. 3 John Ashcroft .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN ASHCROFT.

Rung to mark the restoration of the church.

DEANE, Bolton, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Wed., Aug. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being one extent each of London, Wells, York, Durham, Surfleet, Beverley and Cambridge.  
Tenor 12½ cwt.  
Christopher A. Lomax .. Treble Bernard Moss .. .. 4  
Margaret E. Fort .. .. 2 John P. Partington .. .. 5  
Geoffrey Fothergill .. .. 3 John Ashcroft .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN ASHCROFT.

First peal in seven Surprise Minor for all the band.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
HIGHAM-ON-THE-HILL, Leics.—At the Church of St. Peter.  
On Tues., Aug. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.  
Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in G.  
\*Judy A. Suffolk .. .. Treble Aubrey G. Eveleigh .. .. 4  
†Christine L. Mason .. 2 Ivan S. Merry .. .. 5  
Valerie Watts .. .. 3 K. Paul Gilliver .. .. Tenor

Conducted by K. PAUL GILLIVER.

\* First peal of Minor † First on six bells. First of Minor as conductor.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
MARTIN-BY-TIMBERLAND, Lincs.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in ten methods, viz.: (1) Single Court, (2) Kent and Oxford T.B., (3) Cambridge Surprise, (4) Double Oxford and Thelwall, (5) St. Clement's and Childwall, (6) Single Oxford, (7) Plain Bob.  
Tenor 9½ cwt. in G sharp.  
\*Phillip C. Pitchford .. Treble William R. Parker .. .. 4  
Angus G. Dixon .. .. 2 Walter S. Smith .. .. 5  
Amos Ingall .. .. 3 Louis Willders .. .. Tenor

Conducted by LOUIS WILLDERS.

\* First peal in ten methods.

DUNHOLME, Lincs.—At the Church of St. Chad.  
On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In 12 methods, extents being as follows: (1) College Single and Waver-tree, (2) Single Court, (3) Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) St. Clement's, Childwall, Double Oxford and Thelwall; (6) Single Oxford, (7) Plain Bob.  
Tenor 9 cwt.  
G. Angus Dixon .. .. Treble Robert W. Parker .. .. 4  
Charles V. Cade .. .. 2 W. Stanley Smith .. .. 5  
Amos Ingall .. .. 3 Louis Willders .. .. Tenor

Conducted by G. ANGUS DIXON.

A farewell to the Vicar, Rev. H. Waite, leaving to become Diocesan Youth Padre.

RIPPINGALE, Lincs.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In two methods, being three different extents Kent T.B. and four (different) Plain Bob.  
Tenor 12½ cwt.  
\*June Bird .. .. Treble †Michael R. Rooney .. .. 4  
Daphne P. Brown .. .. 2 †Alan Bird .. .. 5  
†Patricia F. Rooney .. 3 Robin Brown .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBIN BROWN.

\* First peal attempt. † First peal. ‡ First 'inside,' and first in two methods. The conductor's 25th peal, and first as conductor.  
Rung by three pairs of brothers and sisters.

ELSHAM, Lincs.—At the Church of All Saints.  
On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being extents of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Double Oxford, Single Oxford, St. Clement's, Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.  
Tenor 7½ cwt.  
John F. Underwood .. Treble Melvyn A. Rose .. .. 4  
William Bains .. .. 2 John Hall .. .. 5  
J. Martin Thorley .. .. 3 Harold P. Judd .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. MARTIN THORLEY.

A farewell to the conductor and his family, who are taking up residence in Rutland.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.  
BURTON UPON TRENT, Staffs.—At the Church of St. Paul.  
On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents.  
Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb.  
Gordon Harrison .. Treble Brian Dawson .. .. 4  
\*Alan Harrison (11) .. 2 John Smith .. .. 5  
†Jennifer Toon .. .. 3 \*Michael Webster .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JENNIFER TOON.

\* First peal. † First peal, and first as conductor.  
Rung as a farewell peal to Miss J. Toon.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
BRIGHTWELL-CUM-SOTWELL, Berks.—At the Church of St. Agatha.

On Tues., July 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 IPSWICH SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents.  
Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 25 lb. in G.  
Charles Adams .. Treble Geoffrey Cook .. .. 4  
\*John Pladdys .. .. 2 Roger Hayworth .. .. 5  
Gerald McIlhone .. .. 3 Andrew J. Howes .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ANDREW J. HOWES.

\* First peal of Minor, and first of Surprise as conductor. First of Ipswich Surprise Minor for all the band, and the Guild.  
Rung for the birthdays of John Pladdys and David Pimm.



## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

ENSTONE, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Kenelm.  
On Thurs., Aug. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 22 lb. in G.  
Ernest G. Jones .. Treble †Christopher C. Clarke .. 4  
\*Charlotte A. Bennett .. 2 Cyril H. Kinch .. 5  
Alec W. Ivings .. 3 †Michael W. Coleman .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL W. COLEMAN.

\* First peal in the method. † 50th peal together.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. Robert A. Reeves and Miss Diana M. French, who were married at Mollington on July 18th; also a 21st birthday compliment to Miss Daphne J. Pollard.

OXFORD.—At the Church of St. Thomas.

On Tues., Aug. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 17 methods, being 120 each of Shipway's Place, Norfolk, Broadwas, Dedworth, Wychbold, Snodsbury, Dumbleton, Oldswinford, Wollaston, Salwarpe, Hilmarton, Alveley, Honeysuckle, 240 of Windrush, 600 of Grandsire and 1,320 each of Plain Bob and Rev. Canterbury. Tenor 7½ cwt. in A.  
David G. Oliver .. Treble Noel D. Deam .. 3  
F. Marilyn Bird .. 2 Roy H. Jones .. 4  
Alec Gammon .. Tenor

Conducted by ROY H. JONES.

First peal in 17 methods for all the band.

Rung as a birthday compliment to David Oliver.

## THE ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD.

ST. FLORENCE, Pembrokeshire.—At the Church of St. Florencius.  
On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of (1) Double Oxford, (2) Cambridge Surprise, (3) Spliced Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, (4) Oxford T.B., (5) Kent T.B., (6) St. Clement's, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. in F.  
\*Chris. H. Jenkins (14) Treble †Jack P. G. Webb .. 4  
\*Arthur F. Walters .. 2 L. Henry Jenkins .. 5  
Ivor H. Jenkins .. 3 W. Gwyn Thomas .. Tenor

Conducted by W. GWYN THOMAS.

\* First peal. † First of Minor. First on the bells.

Rung at the invitation of the Rector, Rev. Russen W. Thomas.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

NOCTON, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 11 lb. in A.  
Ruth Blackshaw .. Treble David Oliver .. 4  
Margaret E. Chilton .. 2 Sydney Adams .. 5  
Maurice W. Harrison .. 3 John R. Pratchett .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. PRATCHETT.

SOUTHWELL, Notts.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Tues., July 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt. 23 lb. in A.  
\*†F. William Midwinter Treble †Margaret E. Chilton .. 4  
\*Ruth Blackshaw .. 2 W. Neville Brown .. 5  
†Maurice W. Harrison .. 3 John R. Pratchett .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN R. PRATCHETT.

\* 25th peal together. † 25th peal together. ‡ 50th peal. First of Minor on the bells.

A farewell to the Rev. John Treadgold, Vicar Choral at the Minster for the past four-and-a-half years, who was inducted as the Vicar of Wollaton, Nottingham, on July 24th.

BARTON-IN-FABIS, Notts.—At the Church of St. George.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in seven methods, viz.: (1) Beverley Surprise, (2) Surfleet Surprise, (3) Cambridge Surprise, (4) Oxford T.B., (5) Kent T.B., (6) St. Clement's Bob, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. 21 lb. in G.  
C. Raymond Larkin .. Treble George A. Dawson .. 4  
Janet I. Porter .. 2 Raymond Benfield .. 5  
Richard A. G. Inglis .. 3 Robin H. Rogers .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBIN H. ROGERS.

ASPLEY, Nottingham.—At the Church of St. Margaret.

On Mon., Aug. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr.  
\*Jennifer A. Sissons .. Treble \*Geoffrey Cooper .. 4  
Elizabeth Smith .. 2 †John R. Seagrave .. 5  
Julie E. Lethbridge .. 3 †Horace E. Seagrave .. Tenor

Conducted by HORACE E. SEAGRAVE.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.' ‡ First of Minor.

Rung as a farewell compliment to ringer of treble.

## THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ST. MARTIN, Shropshire.—At the Church of St. Martin.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being extents of Double Oxford, Thelwall, St. Clement's, Childwall, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Cambridge Surprise.

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in A.

F. Hector Bennett .. Treble Derek B. Williams .. 4  
\*Philip J. Evans .. 2 Roger W. Powell .. 5  
\*Michael R. Wycherley .. 3 Ian Friend .. Tenor

Conducted by F. HECTOR BENNETT.

\* First peal in seven Minor methods.

Rung as a compliment to Elizabeth Gardiner and Geoffrey Davies on their engagement.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

RUMNEY, Monmouthshire.—At the Church of St. Augustine.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 21 extents of Plain Bob (four callings), 19 of Grandsire (six callings) and one 240 of Grandsire.

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 27 lb. in F sharp.

\*Jean Egerton .. Treble \*Norman F. Edwards .. 4  
†Wendy Griffin .. 2 Michael J. Uphill .. 5  
†James E. Reed .. 3 †Roger G. Twyman .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL J. UPHILL.

\* First peal of Doubles. † First peal.

Rung by the Wandsworth, London, Sunday service band.

STOKE D'ABERNON, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In three methods, being one extent Cambridge Surprise, two St. Clement's and four Plain Bob; each called differently.

Tenor 3 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. in E.

Michael G. Foster .. Treble †Michael J. Bangham .. 4  
Katharine M. Guy .. 2 D. Paul Smith .. 5  
Eric G. H. Godfrey .. 3 Tony Lewis .. Tenor

Conducted by TONY LEWIS.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

LYE, Stourbridge, Worcestershire.—At Christ Church.

On Mon., July 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 3½ cwt. in F.

Paul Cattermole .. Treble †Michael J. Fellows .. 4  
\*Irene Ellmore .. 2 Frederick G. Handley .. 5  
John C. Eisel .. 3 John Lloyd .. Tenor

Conducted by MICHAEL J. FELLOWS.

\* First peal of Surprise Minor.

A birthday compliment to John Lloyd.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

HUNTINGTON, York.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Wed., Aug. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven differently-called extents. Tenor 5 cwt. 17 lb.

Margaret Wilkinson .. Treble David Pearson .. 4  
Margaret Lewis .. 2 Christopher Groome .. 5  
Jean F. Woolford .. 3 James A. D. Woolford .. Tenor

Conducted by JAMES A. D. WOOLFORD.

First peal on the restored bells.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

LECHLADE-ON-THAMES, Glos.—At 10, St. John Street.

On Tues., Aug. 4, 1964, in 1 Hour and 46 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Consisting of 65 methods, in the following seven extents: (1) Fulbeck, Canterbury Pleasure, Reverse Bob, Plain Bob and Double Bob; (2) London Bob, Lytham, Rodbourne, St. Clement's, Childwall, Buxton, Double Oxford, Thelwall, Pinehurst, College, Wavertree, Westlecott; (3) Chelford, Poynton, Witcombe, Sutton, Denton, Alderbourne, Butterwick, Benington, Freiston, Frampton, Saltwood, Burmarsh, Langton, Candlesby, Alford, Tattershall, Penhill and Walcot Special Alliance, Bastow Little Court (C.C.C. 356, arr. A. R. Peake); (4) Nelson Treble Bob, Bourne and Hull Surprise, Knutsford, Skipton, Rostherne, Chepstow, Bogedone, Fotheringay, Wilmslow, Balmoral and Ely Delight; (5) Sandal, London Scholars', Kingston, Capel, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury, Ockley and Oxford Treble Bob, Wath, Pontefract, Donottar and Carisbrooke Delight; (6) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Bourne, Hull and Primrose Surprise; (7) Oxford Treble Bob; with 142 changes of method. Tenor size 15 in C.  
Gordon W. Land .. 1—2 | Brian Bladon .. 3—4  
Anthony R. Peake (Cond.) 5—6

The greatest number of methods to a handbell peal by all the band, in the county, and for the Association. Extent No. 3 is now rung to a peal for the first time.

Alderbourne Special Alliance: x 16 x 12 x 123 x 12 x 3. 2nds place i.e.  
Penhill Special Alliance: x 14 x 12 x 123 x 12 x 5. 2nds place i.e.  
Walcot Special Alliance: x 14 x 12 x 123 x 12 x 5. 2nds place i.e.

## THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

SWANSEA.—At Mor Awelon, Lon Derw, Tycoch.

On Sun., Aug. 2, 1964, in 1 Hour and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Edmund J. Morris .. 1—2 | Hazel Way .. 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare (Cond.) .. 5—6



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### BIRTH

ROAF.—On August 19th, 1964, to Caroline and Dermot Roaf, a son (James Arthur). 5207

### ENGAGEMENT

OGLESBY—PROCTOR.—The engagement is announced between Howard, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Oglesby, of Taplow, Buckinghamshire, and Frances, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Proctor, of Amersham, Buckinghamshire. 5197

### MARRIAGE

SOANES—ROBINS.—On August 15th, 1964, at All Saints' Church, Brixham, between John Harry Soanes, of Gorleston, Norfolk, and Nancy Robins, of Brixham, Devon. 5196

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

BUTLER.—The address of Mr. and Mrs. William Butler is now 248, Benham Hill, Newbury. Telephone Thatcham 2541. 5208

### PERSONAL

'Execute true judgment, and shew mercy and compassion every man to his brother.' (Zechariah vii, 9.)

### SITUATION VACANT

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### MISCELLANEOUS

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Please note that the Surprise Royal practice at St. Nicolas' Guildford, will in future be on the second Tuesday of each month. Next practice on Tuesday, September 8th, 7.30-9 p.m. 5233

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Committee meeting at Holy Trinity Vestry, Saturday, September 12th. 5234

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### CANCELLED

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Nottingham District.—September meeting cancelled.—S. Adams. 5237

### MEETINGS

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.—North and West Branch.—Practice Westleigh, Saturday, August 29th, 3 o'clock. 5211

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Meeting at Send on Saturday, August 29th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. approx. Names for tea to Mr. S. Strudwick, Eskholm, Potters Lane, Send, Woking. Ockham bells will be available in the evening. 5175

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—South Oxon Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Ewelme, Saturday, August 29th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to J. Godman, 22, Sunnyside, Benson, Oxon. 5152

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—V.W.H. Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Buckland, Saturday, August 29th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Teas. Social Club. Names, please, to R. F. J. Gillling, Branch Sec., Fernham, Faringdon, Berks. 5181

SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—An evening meeting will be held at Moreton Corbett on Saturday, August 29th. Bells (6) available 6.30 to 8.30 p.m.—E. Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec. 5192

ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD.—Meeting at Northowram Parish Church, Saturday, September 5th. Bells from 2.20 p.m. Names for tea to Miss L. Riley, 48, Marldon Road, Northowram. All welcome. 5131

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Taunton Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Fitzhead, Saturday, September 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, please, to A. H. Reed, 'Mimosas,' George Street, Taunton.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ilchester Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Hardington (6), Saturday, September 5th. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, by September 1st to R. J. Fox, 109, Middle Street, Yeovil. 5230

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—Meeting. Keysoe and Little Staughton, Saturday, September 5th. Keysoe bells (5) from 3 to 4.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Little Staughton bells (5) from 6.30 to 8.30 p.m.—F. W. Rivett, Dis. Sec. 5212

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Warwick Archdeaconry District.—Meeting at Wootton Wawen on September 5th. Bells 3 o'clock. Tea 5. Service 6. Bells 6.30. Names for tea to P. S. Bennett, Granee Farm, Bearley, Stratford-on-Avon. Tel. Snitterfield 255

DEVON GUILD.—Aylesbeare Branch.—Meeting at Lymington, Saturday, September 5th. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by September 2nd to Mr. R. T. Perry, Greenhill Avenue, Lymington. 5199

DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Meeting, Saturday, September 5th. St. Paul's, Whitley Bay (8), 3 p.m. start, 5 p.m. tea, 6.30 p.m. service. Election of officers. Names for tea to Miss M. E. Murcott, 18, Monk-seaton Drive, Whitley Bay. 5205

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Meeting at Wilburton (6), Saturday, September 5th. Bells 3-5 p.m. Tea and business meeting. Service at Haddenham 6.30, followed by ringing until 8.30 p.m. Methods: Woodbine and Oxford Bob. 5185

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.W. District.—A meeting will be held at Roydon (6) on Saturday, September 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea to G. Blake, Hamlet House, Roydon Hamlet, Harlow, Essex. 5178

GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Joint meeting of City and Rural Branches on Saturday, September 5th, at Christ Church, Broad Street, Bristol. Bells (10) 3 and 6 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. No business.—D. J. Hunt, Hon. Sec., City Branch. 5210

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bridgnorth District.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Quatt, Saturday, September 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, September 2nd, please, to Miss V. Edge, 10, The Crescent, Much Wenlock. 5232

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hereford District.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Clodock on Saturday, September 5th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m., followed by meeting. Names for tea by September 1st to R. G. Powell, 9, Green Lane, Kingstone, Hereford. 5195

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Kington District.—Meeting, Woobley, September 5th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Tuesday to Mr. T. Bound, New Street, Ledgemore, Woobley. 5206

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Practice meeting at Graveley on September 5th at 5.30 p.m.—E. Buck, Dis. Sec. 5231

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Watford District.—Meeting at Bushey Heath on September 5th. Names for tea to Mrs. Norris, 47, Ashfield Avenue, Bushey. 5194

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Meeting at Saltwood, Saturday, September 5th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. D. H. Gower, 'Perth Cottage,' Saltwood, by previous Wednesday. 5077

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—By-meeting at Milton-next-Gravesend on September 5th. Please make own arrangements for tea.—L. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5223

LADIES' GUILD.—Sussex District.—Meeting on Saturday, September 5th, at Barcombe. Bells (6) 3 to 5 and 6 to 8 p.m. Please bring own picnic tea.—R. Earl, Hon. Sec. 5182

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Lancaster Branch.—Meeting at Melling on Saturday, September 5th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. R. Gibson, Brentwood, Melling, Carnforth, Lancs.—P. Handley, Branch Sec. 5203

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.—Meeting at Upholland on Saturday, September 5th, at 3.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. P. Ashcroft, 6, Edge Hall Road, Orrell.—D. R. Jones, Branch Sec. 5201

### LICHFIELD DIOCESAN RINGING FESTIVAL

At Stafford, Saturday, September 5th, 1964

Bells available, Route 1:—Haughton (5), 10.30—11.15 a.m. and 7.45—8.30 p.m.; Church Eaton, (6), 11.0—11.45 and 7.15—8.0 p.m.; Lapeley, (5), 11.30—12.15 p.m. and 6.45—7.30 p.m.; Penkridge, (8), 12.0 noon—12.45 and 7.0—9.0 p.m. Route 2:—Rugeley, (6), 10.0—10.45 a.m. and 8.15—9.0 p.m.; Colwich, (6), 10.30—11.15 a.m. and 7.45—8.30 p.m.; Ingestre, (6), 11.0—11.45 a.m. and 7.15—8.0 p.m.; Sandon, (5), 11.30—12.15 p.m. and 6.45—7.30 p.m.; Seighford, (5), 12.0 noon—12.45 p.m. and 6.15—7.0 p.m.; Stafford, (10), 3.15—4.30 p.m. and 6.30—8.0 p.m.; Cannock, (8), 7.30—9.0 p.m.; and Gnosall, (6), 8.15—9.0 p.m. No ringing please until arrival of the appointed Ringing Master.

Service at St. Mary's Stafford, 4.30 p.m. Tea in Church Schoolroom 5.15 p.m. Names for tea please to: Mr. R. J. Warrilow, 197 Tixall Road, Stafford, by September 2nd, latest.—C. M. Smith, Hon. Sec., Stafford Archdeaconry Society. 5120



### PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD

The Summer Festival and an Extraordinary meeting will be held on Saturday, September 5th, at Flore, Daventry. Committee meeting in the church 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. Tea tickets (3s. 6d. each and c.w.o.) must be obtained by Tuesday, September 2nd, from Mr. E. Garrett, The Laurels, Flore, Daventry.

#### RINGING ARRANGEMENTS

Cold Higham (6)	11.15 a.m.-12.15 p.m.	
Gayton (6)	11.45 a.m.-12.45 p.m.	
Lichborough (5)	12.45 p.m.-1.45 p.m.	
Kislingbury (5)	1.30 p.m.-2.30 p.m.	6.30 p.m.-8.30 p.m.
Harpole (5)	1.30 p.m.-2.30 p.m.	
Staverton (6)	1.30 p.m.-2.30 p.m.	
Whilton (6)	12.15 p.m.-1.15 p.m.	6.30 p.m.-7.30 p.m.
Lower Heyford (6)	2.30 p.m.-3.30 p.m.	6.30 p.m.-8.30 p.m.
Bugbrooke (5)	2.00 p.m.-3.00 p.m.	7.00 p.m.-8.30 p.m.
Weedon (8)		6.30 p.m.-8.30 p.m.
Flore (6)	3.00 p.m.-4.00 p.m.	6.30 p.m.-8.30 p.m.
E. BILLINGS, Gen. Sec. 5068		

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Leicester District.—Meeting, September 5th, South Wigston. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in schoolroom 5 p.m. Names for tea to A. R. Mildred, 29, Saffron Road, South Wigston. Leicester, not later than September 2nd.—A. J. Poynor, Dis. Sec. 5143

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—On Saturday, September 5th, at Lutton. (Please note change of tower.) Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. G. R. G. Butler, Victoria Cottage, Lutton, Spalding, Lincs, by previous Wednesday.—K. R. Davey, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5163

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Branch.—Meeting, Pakefield, September 5th. Bells (8 from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, September 2nd, to Mr. P. Kindred, 'Bathford', Pakefield Street, Pakefield, Suffolk.—N. P. J. Cossey, Branch Sec. 5075

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Bucks Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Wavendon, Saturday, September 5th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Names for tea by September 1st to R. W. Sear, 37, Buckingham Road, Bletchley. 5215

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Sonning Deanery Branch.—Combined practices will be held at Sandhurst on September 5th, and Warfield on September 19th. Both at 6 p.m.—B. Castle. 5219

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—Meeting, Saturday, September 5th. Potterne. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. A. Knight, 6, Southwick Road, North Bradley, Trowbridge. 5244

**SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Monthly meeting. Tadcaster. Saturday, September 5th. Bells 2.30/6.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Please provide own food: cups of tea only available.—L. M. Woodhead, Hon. Sec. 5214

**SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Monthly meeting, South Anston, September 5th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Tea in the Church Hall, Ryton Road, North Anston, 5 p.m. Names to Mr. J. J. L. Gilbert, 10, Pye Bank Close, Sheffield 3, by 4th. Beighton (6) also available 7-9 p.m.—J. Seager. 5217

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—Practice meeting at Ardingly (6), Saturday, September 5th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. picnic tea. Special method: Stedman.—E. L. Hairs, Hon. Div. Sec. 5202

**SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD.**—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting at Cefn Coed, Saturday, September 5th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Names for tea by August 29th to J. A. Hoare, 3, Lon Derw, Tycosh, Swansea. 5217

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—S.E. District.—Meeting at Ufford, Saturday, September 5th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, by September 3rd to E. G. Pearce, Dis. Sec. 36, St. Andrew's Place, Melton, Woodbridge. 5184

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD.**—Alton and Petersfield District.—Quarterly meeting, Privett, September 5th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. Numbers for tea essential by September 2nd to C. E. Bassett, 85, Brooke Lane, Warsash, Southampton. 5220

**BARNSELY DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Cup contest at Hoylandswaine, near Sheffield. Saturday, September 12th. Entrance fee 6s. Names notify James W. Buxton, Roydhouse, Shelley, Huddersfield. Tea, please notify Mr. Keith Muxworthy, 303, Barnsley Road, Hoylandswaine. Both names to be in by Saturday, September 5th. 5216

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Cambridge District.—Meeting at Haslingfield (5), Saturday, September 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 5.30. Tea 5 p.m. Orwell (5) available in addition after meeting.—B. D. Threlfall, Dis. Sec. 5176

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.W. District.—Meeting at Wanstead on September 12th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. and for a limited time after tea. Service 4.30. Woodford (8) available from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to J. Eyre, 4, Greenheys Drive, E.18. Tel. WAN 9335. 5221

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—West Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Epworth, Saturday, September 12th. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea for those who notify Mr. J. Selby, High Street, Epworth, by Tuesday previous. Special methods: Lincoln Surprise and Grandsire Triples. 5198

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Daventry Branch.—Meeting, Staverton, Saturday, September 12th. Names for tea by Monday previous to Mrs. C. Hall, Church Street, Staverton, near Daventry.—F. W. Hancock. 5218

**ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Quarterly meeting, Cardigan, Saturday, September 12th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Names for tea to A. Walters, 1, Spring Gardens, Cardigan.—R. Warburton, Hon. Sec. 5241

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Quarterly meeting, September 12th. St. Mary's, Battersea, 2-3 p.m.; St. Stephen's, Clapham Park, 3.45-4.45; St. Giles', Camberwell, 6.30-8 p.m. Tea, local cafes.—F. J. Matthews, Hon. Sec. 5183

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—General Guild meeting at Ipswich on Saturday, September 12th. St. Clement's (6), St. Mary-at-Quay (6), St. Matthew's (6) from 2.30-4 p.m.; St. Lawrence's (5), St. Stephen's (3) 4-4.30 p.m. Evensong at St. Stephen's 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. St. Mary-le-Tower (12) 6.30-8 p.m. St. Margaret's (8) 8-9 p.m. Names for tea by September 5th, if possible, please, to Andrew T. Beckwith, 76, Digby Road, Ipswich. A good attendance, please. All visitors welcome. 5227

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Quarterly meeting, September 12th at Shere (8). Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Evening ringing at Aubrey (6). Names for tea by Tuesday 8th, to Mr. J. J. Newman, 'School Cottage', Shere.—B. Bull, Assn. Sec. 5167

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch.—Meeting at Shrawley, Saturday 12th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by meeting in Village Hall. Ombersley bells (6) available from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, September 8th, to A. A. Jopp, Church Road, Stoulton, Worcester. 5204

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Next general meeting will be held at Birstwith on September 12th. Bells available: St. Peter's, Harrogate (8), 10.30-11.30 a.m. and 2-3 p.m.; Beckwithshaw (6), 11.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m. and 7-8.30 p.m.; Birstwith (8), 2.15-4.15 and 6.45-8.30 p.m.; Kirk Deighton, 7.15-8.30 p.m. General Committee meet in the school at 3.15 p.m. Evensong at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.45 p.m. at the Station Hotel (8s. for high tea; 3s. 9d. for ordinary tea). Please notify the undersigned, not later than September 9th, which tea is required. General meeting in the school after tea.—W. F. Moreton, Gen. Sec., 6, Bar Lane, Wakefield. 5200

**DEVON GUILD.**—Mid Devon Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Buckfast Abbey, September 19th. Bells 2 p.m., service in the Abbey 4.30 p.m., tea and business after. Names for tea to Fr. Paulinus, Buckfast Abbey. 5121

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—By-meeting, Teynham on Saturday, September 19th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea in Purser Hall at 2s. 6d. per person. Those requiring tea please notify, together with cash, not later than Wednesday, September 16th, to Mr. V. V. Page, 1, The Crescent, Teynham, near Sittingbourne. 5229

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The half-yearly and committee meeting will be held at St. James's, Haslingden, on September 19th. Names for tea (5s. per head) to Miss C. Lewer, 5, Park Street, Haslingden, Rossendale. Haslingden bells (8) 2-5 p.m. and after tea. Helmshore (8) 3-5 p.m. and after tea.—F. Reynolds, Gen. Sec. 5110

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### KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Rochester District dinner on Saturday, September 26th, at Trinity Church Hall, Dover Street, Sittingbourne (2 mins. from station and bus routes).

Tickets available from Mrs. B. W. May, Keithstone, Keycol Hill, Sittingbourne, upon receipt of £2s. P.O. and stamped, addressed envelope, not later than September 19th.

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**NATIONAL POLICE GUILD.**—1964 annual meeting on Saturday, September 26th, in London. Ringing throughout the day (details as circular). Lunch at 'Euston Tavern', 73, Euston Road (opp. St. Pancras Station) at 1 p.m. prompt. Approx. cost 14s. Meeting to follow. Names (with cash, please) to Norman S. Bagworth, 37, Cliveden Road, Wimbledon, S.W.19, by Tuesday, 22nd.—R. Holt, Hon. Sec., 19, Cowpe Road, Rossendale, Lancs (new address). 5242

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Preliminary Notice.—The annual dinner will be held on Saturday, October 24th, at the Co-operative Hall, Worcester, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets (15s.) and other details later.—D. Beacham, Gen. Sec. 5209

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Snowdon Dinner, York, Saturday, October 10th. Tickets 17s. Early application to Miss Wilkinson, 10, St. Oswald's Road, York; accommodation limited. Ringing arrangements later. 5236

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**LATE NOTICES**

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Christchurch District.—Meeting on Saturday, September 5th. Sopley bells 2.30-4 p.m. Service at Ringwood 4.40. Tea (4s.) in the Old Cottage 5.15 p.m. Meeting and ringing at Ringwood to follow. Names essential by Thursday, September 3rd, to L. F. Cobb, 182, Southampton Road, Ringwood. 5243

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—Ringing Sunday, September 6th, at All Saints', King's Langley, commencing with tea at 4 p.m., followed by service ringing until 6.30 p.m. and ringing after Evensong. Names for tea to Mr. B. Barker, 7, Watford Road, King's Langley. 5245

**EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—Meeting, Saturday, September 12th, at Lingfield. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Evening ringing 6.15-8.30 p.m. Names for tea by September 10th to Miss M. A. Ladd, 4, William Street, Tunbridge Wells, Kent. 5238

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD** (Central Branch) and **SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD** (Newark District).—Joint meeting, Saturday, September 12th. Eagle, Harby and South Scarle in the evening. Lincoln Guild members' service 4.30 p.m. Eagle. Names for tea by the Wednesday previous to Mr. F. Butler, High Street, Eagle, Lincoln.—S. A. Chambers, Hon. Sec. 5235

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**—Southern Branch.—Meeting, Harlaxton, Saturday, September 12th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday, September 12th, to Mrs. J. Meads, The Gregory Arms, Harlaxton, near Grantham, Lincs.—F. G. Vickers, Hon. Sec. 5246

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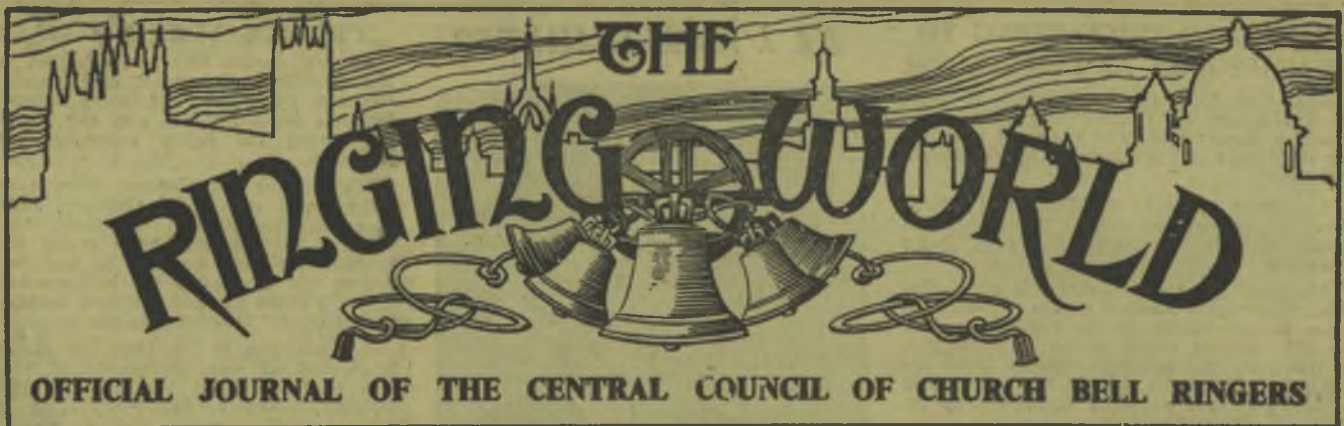
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## BELLS — A NUISANCE

By MICHAEL R. MEADOWS

**A**RE you a nuisance? Do you annoy people? When you ring bells do you realise your harmonious changes may be nothing more than an irritating clatter to others? Do you know this might also be a legal nuisance actionable in the courts?

Have you considered what might happen if Mrs. Smith complains the noise keeps little 'Johnny' awake in the evening or the music teacher across the way alleges that the sound of the bells drowns the dulcet tones of her soft pedal? No problem arises if the complaint comes directly to you or the Vicar, particularly if you have a 'ringable' Vicar; just a few sympathetic words and a short lecture on the purpose of the exercise and nothing more. But what happens if the courts are asked to decide whether you were justified in ringing that last peal or practising for two solid hours last Friday in addition to ringing for weddings on Saturday and twice on Sunday for services?

The law permits you to make as much noise as you like provided it does not interfere substantially with anyone else. But if your noise becomes unreasonable or excessive then it is possible you will be committing a legal nuisance and ordered to stop.

Clearly some noises will never constitute a legal nuisance. If the village busybody complains because ringing for Matins ruins his lie in on Sunday morning, the courts will have no sympathy for him. Conversely, if a team of ringers was to attempt a long length peal starting in the dim light of dawn, this would obviously make a difference. It has been held that the loss of one night's sleep through excessive noise is an actionable nuisance. The test is when did you ring or how long did you ring?

The law only protects the average or reasonable man. The music teacher cannot complain because she requires an exceptional amount of peace and quiet. She is not an average person and cannot rely on her sensitivity as an excuse to stop the bells.

The question is really one of 'live and let live' or 'give and take.' Are you so enthusiastic you are expecting the rest of the community to tolerate rather more than the common man can be expected to endure? What is the purpose of your ringing? Where are you ringing? Can you prevent the noise? All these factors are important. The courts would certainly regard it as reasonable to ring the bells to call people to worship on Sunday or to announce the birth of a Royal son. It might also be reasonable, if not essential, to practise once a week for an hour or so lest the noise be even more unpalatable. But what happens in the case of peal ringing where the object of the exercise is to show off your prowess and skill? The courts would take note of the world of difference between ringing for events connected with the Church and ringing purely for pleasure. You might justify a peal rung on the occasion of a wedding, but have great difficulty in convincing anybody that a peal rung to mark the end of summertime was anything but excessive ringing, particularly if it had rained most of the year. The more weird and wonderful your excuse, the more likely it is going to be unreasonable in the eyes of the law.

What may be a nuisance in one parish may not be so in another. You can ring as many thousand changes as you wish in the remote fastness of an unoccupied island, or in one of those parishes where the residents 'love the sound of the bells.' Try the same in the middle of the city with offices, shops, schools,

houses and perhaps a library within audible distance of the church and your activity would certainly bring a storm of legal threats about your ears.

Furthermore, you must always try to prevent excess noise if practicable. Some towers install adjustable shutters in the louvres, others ring the bells fully muffled simply to minimise interference on those occasions when it is not essential that the bells be heard throughout the neighbourhood. No one would expect the shutters to be closed on Sundays or for that Royal peal. It might be unreasonable, however, to expect the whole population within a two-mile radius of the church to sit back and enjoy five hours assorted ringing while the local district society holds a meeting at your tower. That the society comes once in three years is irrelevant.

All these factors of time, place and purpose are interrelated. It will not be necessary to install shutters in every tower, this will depend on locality. Similarly in certain places no one is going to care whether you are ringing to congratulate the vicar's warden on re-election or to welcome the new year. It all depends on the inhabitants. If they complain then the courts will want to know when, where and why you were ringing. Would it be reasonable to expect you to cut down noise on certain occasions; all practical and factual problems which will differ from belfry to belfry.

Who can complain and who will be held responsible? A person can complain only if he is the owner of land or has a legal interest, such as a tenancy, in land, the enjoyment of which is being interfered with. A guest who has the temerity to complain has no remedy. On the other hand, whoever is responsible for making the noise is liable to those who have a right of action.

What can you say to defend yourself if accused of being a legal, or should one say an illegal nuisance? If your noise has annoyed the same person for twenty years or more and he has slept on his rights, you may acquire a right by prescription to go on being noisy with impunity. However, you cannot say 'Mrs. Jones came to the nuisance because she bought the house next to the church.' The old argument of 'the bells were here first' is not as sound as most people imagine. Neither can you say 'the nuisance has only arisen because Dr. Jekyll has decided to use the hut at the bottom of his garden as a surgery, whereas if he stayed inside the house he would not be disturbed.' The law permits every man to enjoy the use of all his land. That the noise does not disturb him in one corner of his estate is irrelevant if it is unendurable in another.

Finally, if three or more people are sufficiently disgruntled and present a petition to the local authority, under the Noise Abatement Act 1960, the authority must require a Justice of the Peace to abate the nuisance.

Next time you decide to 'rattle off' five thousand and for y Plain Bob Minor or Surprise Maximus, have a few defences ready in case anyone complains. Remember, the prescriptive right is always a good weapon against the oldest inhabitant. On the other hand, in this day of the 'Mersey beat' and other assorted noises, when people prefer the monotonous clatter of the bingo club, the nightly pandemonium on the television or the insidious blare of the transistor radio, it would seem unreasonable that they are unwilling to tolerate the only loud noise made to the Glory of God.



## MR. FRED PRICE GOING TO WASHINGTON AS INSTRUCTOR

Mr. Fred Price of Bournemouth is flying to Washington on October 14th to assist in teaching change ringing to the band who ring on the Gloria in Excelsis tower at Washington Cathedral.

Mr. Price wrote to the Dean and offered his services for four months if his expenses could be paid. His offer has been gladly accepted.

Many of our older readers will recall that Mr. Price was a member of the St. Martin's, Birmingham, Sunday service band from 1927 to 1935, during which period he took part in most of the broadcast ringing from the Cathedral church on the old ten: all ringing at the Cathedral was then undertaken by St. Martin's ringers.

He resigned from the St. Martin's band—with some regret—in 1935 to honour a promise made 10 years earlier to return to Aston if, and when, the bells should be restored. Aston had then a new ring of 12 bells by the addition of two new trebles and presented a great opportunity for the enthusiastic instructor. Soon the 12 bells were being regularly rung for one hour before Matins and Evensong every Sunday, and it is on record that a peal of Stedman Cinques, conducted by Mr. Price, was rung in 1939 by the Sunday service band, it being the first peal of Stedman Cinques for no less than seven of the band.

Mr. Price has been assured by Mr. Wayne Dirksen that plenty of recruits, eager to learn, await him, and he is confident that his success of 30 years ago can be repeated.

## LAVENHAM BELLS NOW AT FOUNDRY

The famous Miles Graye tenor at Lavenham, cast in 1625, was safely lowered on August 21st by Messrs. John Taylor and Co., prior to its removal with the other bells in the tower to Loughborough. The ring of eight is to be retuned and refitted.

Experts have agreed that the time has come for the medieval bell frame of oak, often repaired with wood and iron, to be replaced before it becomes really dangerous.

New cast-iron framework with a foundation of rolled steel girders will replace it, and the estimated cost of the restoration work is estimated at £2,500. Towards this £1,400 has already been subscribed by visitors to the church and Capt. G. A. D. Cooper, treasurer for the bell frame fund, of Yaxley Cottage, High Street, Lavenham, hopes donations to meet the balance will be sent to him or the Rector, Canon H. W. S. Cotton, without having to launch a special appeal.

## REMEMBER YOUR PARACHUTE!

Miss Ethel Lloyd, of St. Peter's, Ballaarat, had the misfortune at the meeting of the A.N.Z.A.B. at Hobart to be carried up when a stay broke and fell heavily. Her injuries included a chipped elbow bone, fractured collar bone and fractured vertebra. 'Ringing Towers' states that the Cathedral insurance policy will indemnify her.

Thanking the St. David's Guild, Hobart, for the many kindnesses to her whilst in hospital, Ethel writes: 'A word of advice I pass on to all ringers. "Remember to fasten your parachute before entering the ringing chamber."

## COMING-OF-AGE OUTING

Ten ringers from Christ Church, Swindon, went to Kent on August 15th to meet Miss Rosalind Roworth in Rochester to celebrate her coming-of-age. A good quarter of Grand-sire Triples was rung at St. Margaret's, Rainham, by Miss J. Davidge 1, Mrs. J. Minchin 2, Miss S. Little 3, M. Penney 4, Miss R. Roworth 5, A. G. Wells 6, M. Stanley (cond.) 7, E. Sutton 8. Further ringing took place at Chatham. Thanks are accorded Messrs. Sutton and Cheal.

## MR. J. FRANK SMALLWOOD



who is known as 'Jafus' to his friends, celebrated his 80th birthday last Tuesday. He has been nominated as a life member of the Central Council in honour of his services as convener of 'The Ringing World' Committee.

## CREWE'S VISIT TO WALES

Crewe's annual visit to Wales on August 15th attracted 40 ringers and friends who travelled by coach and more followed in Doreen's bus. At 9.15 a.m. the party were ringing on the rather unmusical ring at Ellesmere.

Mid-morning refreshments were taken at 'The Coach and Dogs,' Oswestry, and then, after queueing through Welshpool, we were enjoying the delightful eight at St. Beuno's, Berriew. It can't honestly be said that the ringing was as good as the bells merited, but it was a warm day and the local hostility was a distraction. However, we did try.

A quick run to Newtown for the ample lunch and all were appreciative of the long and restful journey through the hills to Dolgelly. Lovely bells—they ring themselves... well, almost, and a very good course of Cambridge Major was easily the best ringing of the day.

Ten miles of narrow twisting road meant we were late at Barmouth. Hopes of hearing the bells of St. John's Church—the finest eight in Wales' (rumoured to have been quoted by a famous ringer of the past)—were soon dashed. Raising a bell which only speaks halfway up is somewhat puzzling. Investigating, we found the bells muted, the clapper having been tied to one side, about one inch from the bell. Unfortunately the full-throated sound from these bells has brought forth complaint, which has led to this muting. This is a great pity since the resulting sound is a very poor substitute for open bells.

After an evening meal we set off through the pouring rain to Llangollen, arriving at 10 p.m. In view of the long journey home it was probably a blessing in disguise that there was only half an hour for refreshments. Crewe was reached at 1 a.m. I. R. N.

## PIPE'S PILGRIMS HAD A MIDLAND PILGRIMAGE

'Young men and maidens, old men and children.—Praise him upon the well tuned cymbals.'

THIRTY of us from thirteen counties were eventually safely housed in the luxurious comfort of the Station Hotel, Dudley, and with an age range from 14 to 74 were certainly a broad cross-section. Jim's recipe for an enjoyable tour—good friends, good food, good bells, good weather and various other goods were with us for the greater part of the week.

We rang in seven counties—Gloucestershire, Leicestershire, Northamptonshire, Shropshire, Staffordshire, Warwickshire, and Worcestershire, covering 47 towers with tenors ranging from 3½ to 25 cwt.; methods extended from Bob Doubles to Spliced Surprise Major and Cambridge Maximus.

### DAILY HIGHLIGHTS

Picking highlights is a problem because of individual preferences, but these are mine:—

**Sunday**—Meeting A. J. Pitman at Leamington; and the grand 10 at Solihull where time was all too short.

**Monday**—Listening outside at Tewkesbury and Hallow, and the grand tea at the Mug House at Claines (no comments please).

**Tuesday**—Much Wenlock, where a well struck course of London was accomplished after Norman Bagworth had done a grand job raising the tenor in peal (I'll agree it's no great weight but that rise is one of my memories).

**Wednesday**—A day full of grand memories:—Penkridge ringing Stedman and listening to Yorkshire and Cambridge; Brewwood for a grand eight; Tettenthall where we made a poor show on what I think were good bells; Penn where four married couples rang Grand-sire; Claverley where my young friend Patricia Lockwood was in charge of the ringing.

**Thursday**—A course of Pudsey at Sutton Coldfield; at Tamworth the rise and fall of the back six was a pleasure to listen to. This was a day of good ringing and good bells and the only day it rained.

**Friday** was rock and roll day—most of the towers visited did either one or the other. Ron

Edwards replied to someone who asked if the bells were on ball bearings, 'I don't know, but I think the tower is.' Sylvia called spliced Surprise at Northfield—what a lot of noise from such a dainty piece of femininity?

I must tell the truth about Lye—have you ever met a dumb bell at both ends of rope—it happened to me on the 5th, not a sound save the raucous comments of those not ringing. But a good course of London was rung.

### PRESENTATIONS

On Friday evening in the hotel lounge Arthur Barker introduced his wife Gladys who made a presentation of a garden chair to Jim and a wheeled basket to Sylvia as a token of our appreciation for organising the tour. Jim replied in his usual entertaining manner and presented our driver with a pair of cuff links on our behalf. Next year's tour was discussed and I've a feeling we're heading West to where the cider apples grow.

**Saturday's** six towers were good, but we weren't. The rot started with yours truly mis-calling Grandsire on the cack-handed eight at Coleshill. Others did their best to redeem things but with little success.

On behalf of the 'Pilgrims' I would like to say thank you—to all incumbents and local ringers who met us, to our driver, to Norman Goodman who acted as pilot on many occasions, to Mr. and Mrs. Beamish who guided us to Chilvers Coton and for the rest of the day, and finally to Jim and Sylvia for organising another grand week.

For those who like all the details here is a full list of the towers: Bewdley, Brewwood, Bridgnorth (2), Bromsgrove, Broseley, Chilvers Coton, Claines, Claverley, Coleshill, Dudley, Erdington, Halesowen, Hallow, Handsworth, Hartlebury, High Ercall, Hinckley, Knowle, Leamington, Lye, Malvern Link, Market Drayton, Madeley, Much Wenlock, Monks Kirby, Netherton, Northfield, Northampton, Old Hill, Penkridge, Penn, Rugby (2), Solihull, Shifnal, Sutton Coldfield, Stourbridge (2), Tewkesbury, Tettenthall, Tamworth, Worcester St. John, Wellington, West Bromwich, Wednesday. IRVIN SLACK.



# ROVING RINGERS' 1964 TOUR

THE 1964 tour started on Saturday, July 25th, in Salisbury, and finished in Bristol on Saturday, August 1st. Touring members came from Essex, Surrey, Worcester, Devon, Wiltshire, Hertfordshire and Bristol. Despite traffic conditions around Salisbury we had a surprisingly good attendance at the first tower, St. Paul's.

Our first full day commenced with ringing for morning service at St. Thomas's, Salisbury. In spite of the springy ropes we drew a favourable comment from a member of the congregation, of how much she appreciated the bell music. After lunch, during which time some members rang handbells whilst padding in the Avon, we rang at Downton, and thence to Cranborne, stopping at Fordingbridge for tea. It was on the way to Cranborne that the first puncture occurred—to the same person on the same afternoon as last year! After ringing on the pleasant eight at Cranborne, followed by dinner in the hostel, we aired Fred's handbells on the village green.

It was a great disappointment on Monday to learn that, due to a service, Wimborne Minster bells were not available; but the substitute, Wimborne St. Giles', proved to be well worth the detour. A good course of Yorkshire was rung here. A long ride brought us to Poole, where we were glad to eat and drink before ringing. Restoration work was being carried out and after an alarming noise whilst attempting to ring up the treble, it was discovered that ladders were occupying three bell pits. A compromise was reached with the workmen, who retired to the 'local' for an hour while we rang.

## BRAVE ONES BATHED

The majority of the party took the ferry from Sandbanks en route for Swanage, out last tower of the day, but several of the younger ones cycled via Wareham. Swanage proved to have an excellent ring, though we did not really do it justice. That night was spent at a Swanage hostel, which was up a hill too steep for even the lowest gear. After dinner the party divided, the braver ones—mainly girls—went for a dip. Richard encountered a female acquaintance, while Rosemary and Geraldine found the dodgem cars a relaxation. Unfortunately, 'all in' at the hostel coincided with 'all out' at the 'local,' which resulted in the girls being smuggled back into the hostel via the men's washroom!

Tuesday took us first to Wareham, via Corfe, where those with sufficient energy and time struggled up to the castle. Kent went well here. On the heavy six at Bere Regis a good course of Oxford Treble Bob, and also Beverley, one of the special methods, came round successfully.

The long climb to Okeford Fitzpaine was rewarding by the magnificent view. At attempt at George's 14 Spliced Minor and Doubles was unsuccessful. By now the bicycles were beginning to feel the strain, and more mechanical troubles were developed this year than in Cornwall last. It was a relief to reach Marnhull, and after quick refreshment we tackled the 19 cwt. six, the second heaviest of the tour. Unfortunately the young man on the fourth slackened his backstroke, causing his rope to slip the wheel, and valuable time was lost searching for the key to remedy this—it was eventually discovered hanging behind a photograph in the ringing chamber! During dinner at the hostel, Roger remarked that he had consumed eight pints that day, which was realistically interpreted as cycling at the rate of 37 miles to the gallon! It was, in fact, the longest day's run of the tour!

On Wednesday we headed for Milborne Port, the church having a considerable amount of Saxon and Norman architecture in evidence. No electric light could be located in the vast ringing chamber, so ringing was conducted in semi-darkness. In view of the adverse conditions ringing was below standard.

Recalling the words of one of John S's new songs—'We're coming, we're coming, our brave little band'—we entered the belfry of Sherborne Abbey determined to do justice to the magnificent ring. We were not disappointed. We had some of the best ringing



Outside the Church of Wimborne St. Giles (from left to right): Adrienne Gibson, Diana Pryn John Hayns, Stephen Wooler, Charles Quartley, David Nibbs, Ian Dear, John Slater, Richard Fentimen, Alan Luxford, Valerie Mellish, Geraldine Piper, Alan Elsmore, Roger Ashmore, Roy Mills, Fred Ellis, Robert Quartley, Jonathan Nibbs and Geoff Carter.

Tourers not in the picture: Don and Sally Cobb, George and Janet Evenden, Alan Tubb and Rosemary Blyth (who took the photograph).

The week-enders: Michael and Kathleen Chilcott, David and Kitty Beacham, Derek and Marilyn Astridge, Peter and Jean Minchin, Martin and Mary Bywater, Cyril and Daphne Deem, Michael and Monica Horseman, Bill and Hilda Kingcott, Frank and Eunice Lewis, Ron and Audrey Short, Brian and Haze Stirling, Albert and Frances Tyler, Sue Secker, Chris Webb, Genebeth Mooring, Michael Austin, John Brain and, when clerical duties allowed, Roger Fry.

of the tour, including a slow well-struck touch of Stedman Triples. Our sympathy was extended to the back-enders, who did a grand job, especially as this was the heaviest day of the tour. Yeovil must surely be in the top ten! But, though beautiful for tone, inside and out, we were unable to strike them as perfectly as was desirable, but a course of Double Norwich Caters was again a success. Ten miles further north, at Somerton, we were met by the Rev. Chris Marshall, Vicar of Long Sutton, one time curate at Leatherhead, Surrey, and well known to the Surrey tourers.

## LIFE RATHER PRIMITIVE

The sight of the hostel after a day's cycling was always a great relief, and Street, after the long final hill, was no exception. Life here was found to be rather primitive. Goats were kept to provide milk, and hostellers were kept to pump water. Those who saw the goats' milk being strained through a sieve did not tackle their 'morning sunshine' with quite the usual enthusiasm, while those voluntarily conscripted to pump water found the action rather familiar. Handbell ringing provided after-dinner entertainment and Stedman Triples was well rung by Adrienne, Fred, Don and Roger. The distance to the 'local' and the prospect of the return uphill drag did not deter many from venturing out.

Thursday was a circular tour, returning to Street Hostel. Chris Marshall's own church, Long Sutton, was the first of the day. The bells are a splendid six augmented from five by Mears. The bells were rung half muffled as a mark of respect to one of the local ringers interred that day. After coffee we cycled to Martock, the heaviest eight of the day and the most difficult to strike well. The arrangement of ropes here of the chiming apparatus was undoubtedly a spider's masterpiece. Drayton was the first after lunch. A short push on the pedals brought us to Llangport, where, after tea, Chris Marshall joined us again. A neat touch of St. Clement's Minor had the ringing off to a good start and we ended with George calling a well-struck touch of Spliced Plain, Little and Single Oxford Minor.

Without expending another ounce of energy we free-wheeled into Huish Episcopi, where Fred C. joined us again on his way home

from holidaying. Spliced Stedman and Grand-sire was attempted here, and was good until one ringer omitted to complete his Stedman six. The ringing down of the bells was probably the best we achieved. Diversity of opinion on the best return route to Street split the party. George and Janet on their tandem, believing theirs to be the best, shot off the main road along a narrow lane, only to reappear some two minutes later cycling madly round the next corner towards us!

On Friday, hostel chores completed, the mystery of Roger's sleeping bag unsolved, we sped downhill to Street Parish Church. The bells were difficult to strike, particularly as the front four become inaudible to those ringing the back four. As we descended the staircase an S.O.S. came from Adrienne, stranded with long loaves of bread for half the party's lunch, and unable to mount her bicycle. Gallantly John S. went to her rescue. A short ride took us to Glastonbury, past a most pungent-smelling sheepskin curing factory, to the glorious 13 cwt. six of St. Benedict's. The ringing here was good and the bells ran like clockwork. The ladies proved their worth with a well-struck touch of Plain Bob Minor called by Adrienne from the tenor.

## 'FIRST AND LAST'

The ride to Mark was somewhat of an ordeal: 13 miles across bleak but somehow beautiful moors. Traversing this barren scene we realised the significance of the sign outside the inn appropriately named the 'First and Last.' The tower contains a very old eight with some of the bells dating back to the 17th century. The last eight of the day were the excellent ring at Banwell, where we had a good course of Yorkshire. A short distance from Binwell was Hutton and the hostel. This being the last hostelling night, spirits were high. Personal memories are sufficient to record the events of that night out.

Saturday morning began with ringing at Congresbury, where we were greeted with a rather painful smile from John S., who, unable even to attempt breakfast, had set off some time before the main contingent, and much to everyone's surprise had successfully steered his way across country. Thank you, John, for leading the singing so lustily that night! Congresbury bells do not 'go' well, and we wondered how this 35 cwt. eight was ever put into the tower. A short trip to Yatton's lovely ring with a tenor of 21 cwt. The seventh bell is dated 1451. Yorkshire went well, and the influx of weekenders helped to raise the standard of striking. At the attractive Norman church of Clevedon, Superlative went well. Then on to Portishead, Roger Fry's parish and the last tower before the Bristol week-end. John H. at last called a successful touch of Stedman. The final nine-mile stretch into Bristol and the hotel reminded one of the straw that broke the camel's back, the climb to Abbot's Leigh being almost the last straw. At the hotel, across the bridge, a scramble for baths ensued.

Now joined by the last of the weekenders, a party of 50 ringers sat down to a welcome dinner. During the evening the customary short business meeting was held. It was unanimously decided that next year the tour should still be arranged to coincide with August Bank Holiday. Later, those still with an insatiable thirst remedied it, others went to admire that fine example of Brunel's work,

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# Letters to the Editor

## Sunday Service and Multi-methods Doubles

Dear Sir,—The following peals of Surprise Minor were rung at St. Mary's Church, Lamberhurst, Kent, by the Sunday service band, all resident in Lamberhurst parish: February 6th, 1930, 21 methods; May 15th, 1930, 26 methods; March 2nd, 1935, 32 methods.

At the time it was rung it was thought that the 32 methods was the most that could be rung in seven 720's.

The late Mr. A. G. Driver supplied the figures for the peal.—Yours faithfully,

A. RELFE.

Lamberhurst.

Note.—Mr. E. A. Barnett gives the band who rang the first two peals as follows: Ernest E. Woodage 1, J. Bassett 2, B. J. Luck 3, A. Marshall 4, J. Waghorn 5, A. Relfe (cond.) 6.

Dear Sir,—The Sunday service band of Shenfield, Essex, have rung the following Spliced Surprise peals in their own tower: April 20th, 1954, 18 methods; December 27th, 1960, 14 methods; November 25th, 1961, 28 methods; November 24th, 1962, 34 methods.

As opportunities for peals here are not too frequent, the same band have rung peals as follows: Twenty methods, February 18th, 1961, at Rettendon; 25 methods, May 20th, 1961, and 31 methods, July 21st, 1962, both at Downham.—Yours faithfully,

H. TURNER

Shenfield.

## Peal Ringing a Sport

Dear Sir,—It was interesting to read Stravinsky's summary of bells as musical instruments ('Ringing World,' page 544). I have a newspaper cutting from the 'Observer' dated August 28th, 1927, in which Bishop Frodsham, then Vicar of Halifax, expresses his views on bellringing. He was speaking at the dedication of a peal tablet to mark the record length of 17,824 Oxford Treble Bob Major at Heptonstall on April 18th, 1927.

He said: 'Peal ringing demanded bodily strength; it required mental concentration and concerted action of a high order by eight men all alert, prompt and exact. There was no room for a stupid, selfish or self-indulgent player at such a sport—for bellringing was a sport. There was no team of footballers or cricketers who were so united as a first-class team of bellringers. There was one great difference between them and other sportsmen—bellringing had a very close and intimate connection with religion stretching back into remote antiquity.'

While I think it odd that a member of the clergy, or indeed anyone, should regard bellringing as a sport, it is useful to note what people think of our art. I should like to see more letters telling us 'what the people say'.—Yours faithfully,

MICHAEL R. MEADOWS.

Wentworth, Yorks.

## Why Non-Association?

Dear Sir,—I see on page 569 that the Southern District secretary of the Coventry Diocesan Guild rang and conducted a peal in his own tower and that it was rung non-Association.

I presume that he had a reason for not ringing it for the Coventry Guild.—Yours, etc.,

M. C. HUGHES.

Solihull.

## Visitors' Ringing at Cirencester

Dear Sir,—To Mr. Land, who protested against mediocre ringing by a visiting band at Cirencester I say 'piffle and poppycock.'

Let us rejoice in that there was a band willing to 'have a go,' and that the tower was blessed by visitors, which is a very different story in a great many instances.

Is Mr. G. W. Land such a perfect ringer that naught but perfection will suffice? Why didn't he stir his bones into the tower and give such enthusiasm his expert advice and refrain from publicly criticising them?

In answer to his question, I'll tell him why. Apathy by the experts who criticise rather than advise. Those who stand at the foot of the belfry steps and refuse to ring 'with a bunch of amateurs.'

We at Bushbury cannot claim peal proficiency but we can claim keenness and a service ringing record attendance second to none. We can only manage plain course Grandsire Doubles but, believe me, the ringing is well meant for service, and not personal satisfaction only.

I'm a learner, Mr. Land, and have been for two years, and until there's a change of mood by the experts I look like remaining so for quite some time yet.—Yours faithfully,

M. R. BUCKHAM.

Bushbury, Wolverhampton.

Dear Sir,—The complacent tone of the letter from Mr. G. Land is amazing. It is noted from an article in the same publication that this gentleman has rung in 100 peals, and it is presumed that he must consider himself really someone!

However, there are many who are unable to spend quite so much time 'ringing,' and, although quite sincere, cannot come up to the perfection of Mr. G. Land. To an outsider and non-ringer, like myself, the efforts of the 'duffers' in Cirencester may have sounded beautiful indeed, and keen novices are entitled to the same facilities as the experts, or how are they ever to achieve efficiency? Surely ringing is a Christian exercise, and tolerance and encouragement are likely to help the cause much more than scathing and unpleasant criticism.

H. EVANS.

Bristol

## Hitchin Tower: a War Memory

Dear Sir,—Mr. T. A. Bevis' article on Hitchin was most interesting. Perhaps you will permit me to add to it.

During World War II I had an enforced stay at Luton and the hospitality shown to me there, and throughout the Beds and Herts area, will long be a cherished memory.

Prior to the ban being lifted I came to know of handbell ringing at Hitchin. Despite the ban the ringers met regularly for Evensong (then in the afternoons). The congregation was always rung in by handbells from the balcony ringing floor. I much enjoyed the pleasure and privilege of joining them in several splendid touches of Grandsire Caters.

It was a great treat, when the ban was lifted, to take part in some excellent ringing on the fine eight. Thanks again. Hitchin.

ARCHIE A. FITCH.

Sudbury, Suffolk.

## High Hoyland Bells

Dear Sir.—The letter in 'The Ringing World' about High Hoyland bells will no doubt cause some interest so a few details about the parish and church should not be out of place.

All Hallows', High Hoyland, has an ancient foundation, 1250, with the present short tower built 1697, in which are six bells, the treble by T. Mears of London, 1822, and the remainder by E. Sellers of York, 1745, the tenor being 36½ ins. in E flat. Owing to an increase in population, a new church was built nearly two miles away at Clayton West in 1875, and a few years later All Hallows' was closed except for burial services, as the only burial ground for the two villages was, and still is, at High Hoyland. The local newspapers at the time contained many letters complaining bitterly about the closing of the old church but to no avail.

About 1909 a surprising event took place for, considering the church was practically closed, the nave was pulled down and completely rebuilt, one good reason being that the existing nave was a 19th century monstrosity and a building more in keeping with the tower was erected. During the excavations many ancient stone works were discovered which set back the history of the church by over 300 years. About 20 years ago monthly services were commenced at All Hallows', gas heating has recently been installed and with the fixing of the new notice board the old church is living again, due in no small way to the care of the verger, Mrs. Clarkson.

All Hallows' stands on a high ridge 1½ miles from Cawthorne, and in 1933 we took ropes to the High Hoyland tower, repaired some wheels and, by some great effort, rang a few changes. I do not think that the bells have been since raised to the set position. We visited the tower a few years ago, but the condition of the wheels was too bad to attempt any ringing. The third bell is cracked but the others are quite tuneful and the frame is not in the bad condition as suggested by the newspaper article. There is also an old clock movement, early 18th century, derelict but more or less complete: the dial was removed some 50 years ago and was replaced in 1954 by a sundial!

The Clayton West Church Council are reluctant to spend money on the bells at All Hallows', and as a last hope I suggested that the third be recast and Ellacombe chimes fitted, but there is a strong desire to sell the bells. Some years ago the Friends of All Hallows' was formed with the object of caring for the old church, and much has been done in repairs and renewals, but of course nothing can be attempted without the approval of the Church Council.

Now the position is made clear, perhaps some guidance from the Central Council will be helpful to the people concerned: an estimate has been obtained that the recasting of the third bell and Ellacombe chimes can be done for under £300, so I am passing this information to the secretary of the Friends of All Hallows'.—Yours faithfully,

Cawthorne, Barnsley. N. F. MOXON.

## A DURHAM APPEAL

A band of young ringers formed in 1962 have made the three bells at St. Mary the Virgin's, Shincliffe Village, Co. Durham, safe to ring. Unfortunately the bells need new fittings, cleaning and retuning. With the Rector's permission, they have opened a bell fund for this work to be done and two more bells added, as the frame is good and will take them. So far they have raised £23 in one year. They ask those who would like to help them to send donations to Mr. Thomas Jopling, 8, Willow Tree Avenue, Shincliffe Village, Durham.

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# LETTERS—Continued

## St. Peter's, Wolverhampton

Dear Sir,—I am sorry indeed to hear that my remarks re St. Peter's ('Ringing World,' August 7th) had the effect of causing Miss Elizabeth Timmins nearly to choke, and can only hope that she has sustained no permanent injury!

If my information was a little out of date the fault lies not with me but with my informant, who apparently wandered a little from the truth! I am, however, delighted to know that the ringing strength is increasing, and am looking forward with immense pleasure to the promised peal by the local service band.

—Yours sincerely,

A. E. RUSHTON.

Luton.

## The Rev. R. Cattley

Dear Sir,—My statement that Canon Cattley was 'largely responsible for the augmentation of Worcester Cathedral bells to twelve, and was also instrumental in procuring for St. Paul's their 62 cwt. tenor' was a quotation from a contemporary report of the tenth anniversary meeting of the Oxford University Society, held at Drayton in February, 1882. That the first part is true is beyond doubt, but evidence of the latter part is less conclusive.

Canon R. Cattley, M.A., was an Honorary Canon of Worcester Cathedral, and became the first vice-president of the 'Association of Change Ringers for the Diocese of Worcester' (later the Worcestershire and Districts Change Ringing Association), when it was formed, in August, 1882. Taylors cast the twelve bells for the Cathedral in 1872 (not 1876), and on August 10th that year a band from the St. Martin's Society visited the Cathedral and rang the first touch of Stedman Cinques on the new ring. 'The Church Bells' account reports that they were met by

... the Rev. R. Cattley, the indefatigable originator of this grand scheme of twelve bells, with clock, ... Ellacombe's simple chiming hammers, ... (and) carillons by Gillett and Bland, of Croydon.

Work on the carillon wasn't finished until the December of that year, and in a lengthy report on the apparatus and its workings the 'Worcester Journal' for December 28th congratulated 'last, certainly not least, the Rev. R. Cattley, upon the full accomplishment of a work in which he has taken such a zealous interest. ... The reverend gentleman is to be heartily congratulated on the success which has attended his efforts to furnish the Cathedral with a magnificent ring of bells, and to develop their excellence to the fullest possible extent.'

At this time there were only twelve ringing bells in the tower, and the Rev. Cattley set to at once to raise the money to add two semi-tone bells to the ring. As has already been remarked in Mr. Claude Rush's excellent series of extracts from 'Church Bells' ('R.W.' July 24th, page 507), he succeeded in obtaining some £5,000 in all.

Canon Cattley's association with St. Paul's is by no means as clearly documented (at least as far as I can discover, although someone with closer associations with the Cathedral may be able to help). It is, however, quite clear that when it was decided to obtain a ring of bells at St. Paul's, the new ring at Worcester was very much in everyone's mind. At the meeting held in the Mansion House on November 2nd, 1875, to launch the appeal for the necessary funds the then Dean of St. Paul's, the Very Rev. Gregory, said, inter alia, that 'St. Paul's only desired to be put upon

an equality with Worcester Cathedral, which had a splendid new ring of bells,' and later Sir E. Beckett Denison, Q.C., described the ring at Worcester as 'the finest in England.'

Later, in 1882, after Great Paul had been cast, tests were made at Loughborough in the March to check the striking of this huge bell. Present at these tests were Dr. Stainer, the organist at St. Paul's and closely associated with everything to do with the Cathedral bells. Mr. F. C. Penrose, the Cathedral architect and surveyor, Capt. Troyte, the Very Rev. Lord Alwyne Compton, Dean of Worcester—and the Rev. Cattley.

Perhaps someone can help to fill the very obvious gaps in this last part of the story. Certain it is that the twelve bells at St. Paul's were, as Mr. Shepherd says, all presentations or gifts: the treble and 2nd were given by the Drapers' Company, the 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th by the Turners' Company and Lady Burdett-Coutts, the 7th by the Salters' Company, the 8th by the Merchant Taylors, the 9th by the Fishmongers, the 10th by the Clothworkers, the 11th by the Grocers, and the tenor by the City Corporation.—Yours sincerely,

C. A. WRATTEN.

Cheltenham.

## Ringing Courses

Dear Sir,—As I receive frequent requests for dates and information about bellringing courses pending, it would help me if I could be given such information by those organising courses in bellringing.

I should be grateful if those concerned would be so good as to let me know of any courses that are planned.—Yours, etc.,

N. CHADDOCK,

Convener,

Sunday Service Ringing and Education Committee, C.C.

17, Herringthorpe Grove, Rotherham.

## OBITUARY

### MR. JAMES TAYLOR

It is with great regret we report the death, on August 10th, of Mr. James Taylor, of Haslingden, Lancs, at the age of 58 years.

Jim, as he was familiarly known, had been in failing health for the past twelve months or so, prior to which he had been a staunch stalwart at Haslingden over the past 40 years.

The manager of a large local cotton concern, he endeared himself to all with whom he came in contact by his quiet and cheerful disposition, and this was reflected in the large congregation which assembled at St. James's Church, Haslingden, for the funeral when the local ringers rang the bells as their tribute to an old friend.

H. P.

## MARKET DRAYTON REVISITED

August 22nd saw the return to Market Drayton, Shropshire, for just a few hours of Mr. William J. Chester, now of Helmdon, Northants. Mr. Chester, who was accompanied by friends from South Northants and North Bucks, lived here for many years between the wars. The occasion was a day's outing.

During the day we rang at five eight-bell towers. Hincley and Atherstone in the morning, Brewood and Cheswardine in the afternoon, and after an excellent tea, ably arranged by Mr. Fred Price, Market Drayton in the evening, where we were pleased to be joined by the local band.

Before the long journey home we partook of refreshment which enabled Mr. Chester to renew friendships made in this district so many years ago.

G. C. P.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

### Marlborough Branch

Visitors far outnumbered the members when the Marlborough Branch held its monthly meeting at Burbage and Milton Lilbourne on August 15th. This was partly due to the holiday season and to the claims of the harvest taking priority.

Ringing commenced on the five at Burbage, under the direction of the Branch Ringing Master (Rev. R. Keeley), who also took the Guild service. Amongst those remembered in prayer was Mr. Albert Hughes, of the White-chapel Bell Foundry, who was buried the previous day. Mr. Peter Steele was the organist.

A sumptuous tea had been provided in the Church Hall by the wives and friends of the Burbage ringers. Everyone was pleased to see Mr. T. A. Palmer (honorary secretary), who, although not yet fully recovered from his recent accident, was nevertheless making steady progress. The Rev. R. Keeley announced that the annual outing would take place in September and was to be in the Chichester area. Thanks were expressed by the chairman (Mr. G. Newman) for the use of the bells, the hospitality shown and to all who had helped in the day's arrangements.

This was the last meeting that Mr. Alan Keen, of Aldbourne, would attend for some time, as he has gained entry to the Northern School of Music, Manchester. While congratulating him on his success, the Branch will be sorry to lose such an able and enthusiastic young ringer.

After tea a move was made to Milton Lilbourne and the tufeful six of medium weight was in constant use until 8 p.m. At one time during the evening there must have been at least 40 ringers awaiting their turn at the ropes.

W. A. E.

## ROVING RINGERS—Continued

the Clifton Suspension Bridge, under floodlight, while the remainder talked far into the night.

On Sunday morning we rang in Bristol, at St. James' (Horsefair) and Christ Church with St. Ewen, where half a course of Cambridge Royal was successful, despite the difficulty of striking these rather old bells. Ringing in the afternoon was at the Cathedral, after a delayed start while the key was still in the verger's pocket. Evening ringing was arranged at St. Stephen's and St. Mary Redcliffe. It had been hoped that a quarter peal of Stedman Cinques might be rung at Redcliffe after Evensong, but owing to an 11th hour decision by the powers that be this was not possible. Instead a few good touches were called by Michael C. Frank recorded part of the ringing and the final lower on his tape recorder, which was always with him.

Three towers were arranged for Bank Holiday Monday: Long Ashton, Backwell and Wrington. After ringing concluded, the majority were pleased to accept Hilda and Bill's invitation to a 'cup of tea,' and were astonished by the large spread which constituted a 'cup of tea.' Bill expressed a desire to air his handbells, and several methods were rung. In this informal manner the tour was brought to an end.

Our grateful thanks to all incumbents, tower captains and those who met us and arranged for us to ring, and especially to Don and Sally for their very capable organisation. Lastly, but by no means least, our thanks to Fred, our Master, for ably catering for all tastes.

J. L. H., D. J. P.

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# EASTBOURNE RINGERS' 700 MILES TRIP



Some of the party outside St. Lawrence's Church, Snaith.

A party of Eastbourne ringers, consisting of P. Howard, Pat Weller, L. Weller, A. Baldock, G. Francis, D. Slater, D. Smith, F. Hicks, H. Reynolds, Ruth Reynolds, Valerie Howard, Janet Slater and Evelyn Hicks, had a week-end in Yorkshire, starting on June 19th, travelling in all 700 miles.

On the outward journey calls were made at Surfleet, Newark, Rotherham and Conisbrough. Headquarters was at Selby. Another full day was Saturday, starting at Northowram, followed by Bradford Cathedral, where 10-year-old Stephen Munday rang with the visitors. At York Minster Verdi's Requiem Mass was being rehearsed and because the tympani thundering out Dies Irae drowned the sound of bells in the ringing chamber, no more than rounds was attempted on the 12 and the best touch was Cambridge Major, with Leslie Weller on the 5½ cwt. tenor. Beverley Minster, St. Mary's and Hemingbrough were visited before thankfully sitting in a Chinese nosh bar.

Sunday started with Communion at Selby Abbey and ringing with Mr. Foster's band. Then the homeward journey began. Snaith bells were rung and lowered in time for Matins and Oundle's during ringing for Evensong. Here the local band invited us to handle the eight to Bob Major.

Turning on to the M.1 and, looking forward to a speedy homeward run, the car-burettor float on the mini-bus decided to part company. The efficient breakdown machinery ground into action and we were towed to an all-night garage. Only after several hours did one come to light and we sped on to the cheers of the gang. We arrived home at an hour when only burglars, milkmen and ringers on tour were about.

Much of the credit for the success of the trip goes to F.H.H., who combined the offices of boss and general factotum with his usual bonhomie. (Abridged.) H.R.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION

In the absence of Mr. F. W. Cooke, who is on a visit to Canada, the chair was taken at the annual general meeting of the Southern District at Staindrop on August 22nd by Mr. P. Rock. Mr. Cooke was re-elected District vice-president, but Miss J. Warwick, of Eastbourne Road, Darlington, succeeds Mr. E. Thompson, who retired from the secretaryship. The chairman thanked Mr. Thompson for his past services.

The methods rung included Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Double Norwich, Cambridge and Bristol Major, together with a short touch of an irregular Minor method which was found hanging on the belfry wall. It was suggested that this should be sent to the 'Professor' for identification. J.W.

## QUARTER PEALS

**PRESTON, LANCS.**—On Aug 18th, 1,360 Plain Bob Minor: R. Barnes (first quarter) 1, K. Martin 2, D. McCormick (first quarter) 3, Margaret Cross-thwaite 4, C. Cross-thwaite 5, P. Cross-thwaite (cond) 6.

**SKETTY, SWANSEA.**—On July 14th, 1,320 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Patricia A. Jenkins (first quarter) 1, Elizabeth J. Watkins 2, Hazel Way 3, Kathleen M. Watkins 4, J. A. Hare (cond.) 5, M. B. Davies (first quarter) 6.

**PERSHORE, WORCS.**—At the Abbey Church of the Holy Cross, on Aug 8th, 1,214 Plain Bob Major: M. J. Uphill 1, J. Whistler 2, A. P. White 3, P. Cattermole (cond.) 4, R. Ashmore 5, A. Berry 6, P. D. Warren 7, M. J. Fellows 8. A peal called round owing to lack of time.

## SUSSEX UNIVERSITY GUILD

The Sussex University Guild of Change Ringers was formed at the end of last term and the following officers were elected: Master, Peter J. Came; secretary, Michael J. Bew, Hestercombe, Carlton Road, Harpenden, Herts; treasurer, Catherine M. Powell.

At the inaugural meeting the coming year's programme suggested was a summer ringing tour preceded by occasional day outings and a dinner in February or March. The first peal for the Guild is eagerly looked forward to, and with regard to this the Society is fortunate to have the great experience of Roger Baldwin, who is at the University for a year completing his post-graduate course.

The help and interest of our friends of the Sussex County Association has been of great encouragement, especially at St. Peter's, Brighton, where we have been made very welcome both at practices and service ringing.

The hon. secretary would be pleased to hear of next year's freshers. M.J.B.

## OBITUARY

### MR. W. F. RICKWOOD

It is with regret we announce the death of Mr. William Frederick Rickwood, of West Stowe, Suffolk, who died suddenly at his home on August 28th at the early age of 44 years. 'Bill', as we used to call him, was a most reliable ringer in always being on time at the tower. Our sympathy goes out to his wife and two sons. Mrs. Rickwood is also a ringer. May he rest in peace. A.F.B.

## LATE NEWS

Mr. A. P. Cannon, of Dorking, rang his 1,000th peal on August 26th at Pilton, Barnstaple. It was Double Norwich Court Bob Major.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR PEALS OF DOUBLES

In regard to the peal at Newtown Lindford for the Leicester Diocesan Guild report on page 519 the 59 methods were rung in the following 42 extents:—

1 St. Osmund: 2 St. Ambrose: 3 St. Patrick: 4 St. Ninian: 5 St. Felix: 6 St. Auste 1: 7 Church Gresley: 8 St. Remigius: 9 St. Chrysostom: 10 Horsley: 11 St. Cleer: 12 St. Cecelia: 13 St. Simon: 14 St. Albans: 15 Cassington: 16 Eynsham: 17 Elford: 18 St. Jude: 19 St. Martin: 20 St. Paul: 21 St. Peter: 22 St. Leonard, Shreshill. St. Laurence: 23 St. Giles: 24 St. Nicholas: 25 St. Thomas: 26 St. Andrew, Austrey, St. Mary: 27 St. Miles: 28 Winchendon: 29 St. Luke: 30 St. John, Ryton, St. Crispin: 31 St. Bartholomew, Newington, St. Mathias: 32 Northrepps, All Saints, St. Philip: 33 Morning Star, Marchington, St. Guthlac: 34 April Day, Seighford, Litchurch: 35 Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, St. David: 36 Rev. Canterbury: 37 Southrepps: 38 St. Columb: 39 Plain: 40 Kepington: 41 Old: 42 Grandsire and Newborough.

The peal rung at the Bell Foundry Campanile, Loughborough also for the Leicester Guild (reported on page 519): was in the following 105 methods, 42 extents:—

1 St. Florence, Holt: 2 Holywood, Forden: 3 Bray, Waterford: 4 Limerick, Wexford: 5 St. Modwen, Fairfield and Minster: 6 Winshill, Carlton and Zennor: 7 Grandsire, Newborough and St. Ippolys: 8 St. Simon, St. Nicholas, Slanton S.C. Bob, Thornborough S.C. Bob: 9 Plain, Rev. Canterbury, Candisby S.C. Bob, Raveningham S.C. Bob: 10 Plain, Rev. Canterbury, Boxford Bob, Dorton Bob: 11 St. Mark, St. Silvester: 12 St. Matthew, St. George: 13 St. Anthony, St. Dominica: 14 St. Simon, St. Nicholas, Braywood Bob, Funderhall Bob: 15 St. Martin, Winchendon, Welford Bob, Haddiscoe Bob: 16 St. Osmund, St. Remigius, Longworth Bob, Harpley Bob: 17 St. Bartholomew, Newington, St. Mathias: 18 All Saints, St. Philip: 19 Morning Star, Marchington, St. Guthlac: 20 St. Blaise, St. Perpetua, St. Bede: 21 Seighford, Litchurch, Anril Day: 22 Little Aston, St. David, Clifford's Pleasure: 23 Elford, St. Jude, Eynsham: 24 Shreshill, St. Laurence, St. Leonard: 25 Austrey, St. Mary, St. Andrew: 26 Ryton, St. Crispin, St. John: 27 St. Felix, St. Austell, St. Ninian: 28 St. Cleer, St. Cecelia, Horsley: 29 St. Albans, St. Paul, St. Ambrose: 30 Cassington, St. Patrick, St. Peter: 31 Shropham, St. Werburgh, Mileham: 32 St. Giles, St. Miles, Church Gresley: 33 St. Thomas, St. Luke, St. Chrysostom: 34 Norwich, Walsingham, St. Richard: 35 St. Giles, St. Miles, Church Gresley: 36 Plain, Southrepps: 37 Kennington, Rev. Canterbury: 38 Old Bob, St. Columb: 39 Besthorpe, Costessy: 40, 41 and 42 Plain Bob.

## OUTING

### SLEAFORD AND GRANTHAM DISTRICTS

A beautiful sunny morning greeted the ringers as they set out on their long journey into Bedfordshire on August 3rd. Seven towers were visited, viz: Potton (6), Sandy (an excellent 6), Cople (6), Cardington (a glorious eight), Northell (6), Biggleswade (8) and Old Warden (6).

A wide variety of methods was rung, including:

Doubles: Plain Bob, Grandsire, Stedman and Reverse Canterbury.

Minor: Plain Bob, Double Court, Single Court, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, Little Bob, St. Clement's, Kent and Oxford T.B. and Cambridge Surprise.

Triples: Grandsire and Stedman.

Major: Plain Bob, Little Bob, St. Clement's, Double Norwich and Cambridge Surprise (a little doubtful).

It was an enjoyable outing with a good standard of ringing throughout. Thanks to Mr. Edgar Cole, who arranged the outing, and to the incumbent and kind friends who met us at the churches. J.A.M.



# UNEXPECTED HUMOUR IN HIGH PLACES

By JOHN P. FIDLER

IN 'The Electric Magazine,' Vol. 13-14, page 658, 1871, the Rev. H. R. Haweis, M.A., wrote an article headed 'Our Belfries.' He did not intend that any part should raise a smile for his article was a serious criticism of belfries in general. Some of his comments certainly were forthright and to the point, and many of them could apply to quite a number of towers today, but others show his lack of knowledge and expose his ignorance.

He commences in grand style and the reader thinks here is someone who knows his stuff: 'The foot sinks into black dust at least an inch thick' is the commencing line. (I have not seen much black dust in a tower, but have seen plenty of bird droppings; perhaps he meant this, but by virtue of his office he turned them into black dust.)

'A startled owl sweeps out of the old belfry window; the shutters are broken, and let in some light and plenty of wind and rain in winter. The cement inside the steeple has rotted away, and the soft stone is crumbling unheeded. Some day the noble old tower will be proclaimed unsafe, and if no funds are forthcoming twenty feet will be taken off it, and the peal of bells will have to come down.

'Everything is already rotting and rusting. The inscriptions of the six or eight great bells are almost illegible; the beams which support them have lost their rivets' heads, and all are loose, probably unsafe; the unpainted wheels are cracked, and every time the bells ring the friction from mere rust and decay is very great.' (If the wheels are in the condition he says they are, how could the bells be rung!)

Then the reverend gentleman asks, 'Why are mighty dust-heaps and vagrant owls almost invariably to be found in the belfry? Alas! because the belfry is one spot in the church which is hardly ever visited. When a rope breaks or a wheel gets out of order, someone climbs up and mends it.' (I should imagine that the particular ring he refers to had no gudgeons and bearings so there was no need to go and lubricate them)

'When an antiquarian wishes to see some famous peal, or copy the legend on some bell, he gets permission to ascend the tower—perhaps this may happen once a year. Yet the bells are often the most interesting things about the church.' (This must have been one of those towers where the 'Peal Grabbers' go to; so long as they can get to the ringing room, they are satisfied, how things are above is no concern of theirs.)

'But who is to stumble up the old decayed stairs or plunge into the dust and filth of centuries, at the risk of breaking his neck?—only poor bellhangers and suchlike or 'a few enthusiasts, who are powerless to help the poor bells in their rust, and the poor towers in their rottenness.' (The poor bells in their rust, eh! these must have been steel bells and they would be poor or else the critical gentleman must have been colour blind and could not tell the difference between the patina, bird droppings or rust.)

'The notion that there is nothing to do up in the belfry after the bells are hung, but to let them swing and everything else

rot, seems to be a very prevalent one.' (Now our friend is talking sense and strange to relate the same notion is prevalent today.)

## SKELETON IN THE HOUSE

'Thousands are spent annually upon the outward decorations; every Gothic detail is carefully replaced, every mullion repaired; the interior is rehabilitated by the best architects; all is scrupulously clean about the nave and chancel, and the side aisles and sacristy, and not even an organ pipe is allowed to get out of tune; but there is nevertheless a skeleton in the house—we need not descend into the vaults to find it—our skeleton is in the belfry. His bones are rotten timbers, his dust is the indescribable accumulation of ages—the vaults are clean in comparison with the belfry. Open yonder little door at the corner of the nave and begin the dark ascent; but before you have gone far you will sigh for the trim staircase that leads down to the vaults.' (Methinks some of you on your outings have struck stairs like these and listened to the oh's and other ejaculations peculiar to the female of the species.)

'Enter the windy, dirty, rotten room where the poor bells that cannot die are allowed to mildew and crack for want of a little attention, until they ring the tower down in the angry resonance of their revenge.'

'If the care of belfries and tower walls were a mere affair of sentiment, there might be room for regret, but hardly a matter for protest. But, indeed, thousands of pounds might be saved if the anything but silent ruin going on inside our church towers all over the land were occasionally arrested by a few pounds' worth of timely cement, or a new beam or rivet, just enough to check the tremendously increased friction caused by loose bell machinery.' (That's it, let the local joiner and blacksmith loose on your bells as he suggests, then open a 'Bell Fund'.)

'The other day we ascended the tower of one of the most beautifully restored cathedrals in England. It was by no means as badly kept as many; we therefore select it as a good average specimen to describe. The tower and spire of red sandstone, massive, but soft, and therefore specially dependent upon good cement and protection from the weather. The shutters were, as usual, old and rotting; large gaps admitted rain and wind, whose action was abundantly manifest upon the flakes of soft stone that lined the interior of the spire: in places the old cement had completely fallen out, but the spire may still stand for another hundred years or more, after which it will have to be taken down and replaced at enormous cost. The bell machinery, like every machinery intended for mere peals (not carillons), was of course the roughest kind—the old primitive wheel, and nothing more. This simple, and at the same time cumbrous apparatus, never can work smoothly on a large scale, and more complicated works, which would save half the friction, might easily be devised; but then who cares what the works up in the belfry are like? The wretched man who pulls the rope may sweat and fume, but nobody sees him, and besides, he is paid for it.' (I do

not know what to say about this outburst, but as there are wild comments it is perhaps as well to say nothing at this juncture.)

## IN A CATHEDRAL

'There are ten bells in L---- Cathedral, of which I am speaking, the largest weighing 14 tons. These bells are in pretty constant use. On examining the wheels, I found them all to be more or less rough, rotten and split. Each wheel, of course, swung between "two stout beams." There was a rest for the axle of the wheel provided upon the surface of each beam, whilst a piece of wood kept fast by a movable rivet was fitted over the indentation in which the axle-tree worked, so as to prevent the wheel from rising and jolting in the beams when swung. I had the curiosity to go round and examine each socket. In every case the rivet was out, lying on the beam or on the floor, or lost; consequently, whenever the peal is rung, the jolting and creaking alone must, in the long run, injure the tower greatly. Indeed, I feel convinced that, in nine cases out of ten, it is not the sound of the bells so much as the unnecessary friction of the neglected bell machinery which ruins our towers and shakes down our church spires.' (Well, well, this seems a case for the want of a nail, the battle was lost. So the little wooden peg that held down the flat wooden bearing caps becomes a most important item and causes jolting and creaking. Even today there still are little wooden pegs that are not in their rightful place, but lying somewhere amongst the rubbish on the floor. When rivets were referred to before in connection with wooden beams I wondered what the writer was getting at, now I know, he means wooden pegs. Be patient, there is still some more material of a similar sort and you can laugh or cry according to the mood you are in.)

'Let architects remember that the towers are not only good for bells, but also for lovers of scenery; and let them repair the staircases. Unless the staircase is decent, safe and clean, the neighbouring panorama of hill and dale, land and water, will be lost to all but a few adventurous climbers. Then the better the ascent, the more chance there is of the belfry being visited and cared for.' (Perhaps if you ask them kindly, those who climb the tower for the scenery will oil the bell bearings whilst they are up there!)

'But here are the bells; why should they be covered with rust?' (Yes, I have come to conclusion our clerical friend was colour blind; had he said they were covered in some sort of white substance I would have agreed with him, but rust! never.)

'The Belgian bellfounders take a pride in sending out their bells smooth and clean. The English bell-founders send them out sometimes with bits of iron and rough metal sticking to them from the mould, and full of pits and flaws. Well they know that none will care for the bells, or notice their condition, until they finally crack or tumble down. Why turn them out clean, when they are never to be clean again?'

(I wonder what the bellfounders thought of that libellous statement. Seems to me that our friend was one of these Englishmen who condemns everything British and praises the work of the foreigner.)

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# THE BELLS OF OLD BAILEY

By CHARLES BROWN (Churchwarden of St. Sepulchre's)

'When will you pay me?  
Say the bells of Old Bailey.'

FOR centuries English children have been singing 'Oranges and Lemons,' the rhyme about the church bells of London. Here is the best-known version:

Oranges and lemons,  
Say the bells of St. Clement's;  
You owe me five farthings,  
Say the bells of St. Martin's;  
When will you pay me?  
Say the bells of Old Bailey;  
When I grow rich,  
Say the bells of Shoreditch;  
When will that be?  
Say the bells of Stepney;  
I do not know,  
Says the big bell of Bow.  
Here comes a candle to light you to bed,  
Here comes a chopper to chop off your head;  
The last, last, last, last, last man's head.  
That is a fairly late version of the rhyme, but its antiquity is clear enough from the allusion in the last lines; the chopping off of heads refers to the execution of traitors, which was a common enough event in mediæval England.

The rhyme did not appear in print until 1744, when it took this form:

Two sticks and apple,  
Ring ye Bells at Whitechapple,  
Old Father Bald Pate,  
Ring ye Bells at Aldgate,  
Maids in White Aprons,  
Ring ye Bells at St. Catherines,  
Oranges and lemons,  
Ring ye Bells at St. Clemens,  
When will you pay me,  
Ring ye Bells at ye Old Bailey,  
When I am rich,  
Ring ye Bells at Fleetditch,  
When will that be?  
Ring ye Bells at Stepney,  
When I am old,  
Ring ye Bells at St. Paul's.

In all the versions, with their many variations, the bells of the Old Bailey appear. They are the bells in the tower of St. Sepulchre's Church. For years they had a sombre connection with the nearby Old Bailey, which was built as a prison in 1770. There was another prison close at hand, too, for Newgate, one of the City gates, had served as a prison for countless years. 'When will you pay me?' is no doubt an allusion to the numerous debtors in the prisons. 'When will you pay me?' is still a pertinent cry, for the famous bells have been silent since 1940 and their restoration will be a costly undertaking.

## FIRST RECORD

There have been bells in the tower of St. Sepulchre's Church for hundreds of years. The tower itself dates from the 15th century and there was evidently an earlier tower before that time. The first known reference to a bell in the tower is a 1345 Ordinance of the Spurriers' Company:

'No one of the trade . . . shall work longer than from the beginning of the day until curfew ring out at the Church of St. Sepulchre's without Newgate.'

Curfew rang at 8 p.m. The name comes of course from the French *couvre-feu*, instituted by the Norman conquerors to ring the Saxon serf to bed at dusk. The ringing of curfew ceased to be mandatory about the year 1100, but the name stuck to the bell rung for Vespers in church at about the same hour. Sometimes it became known as the 'eight o'clock bell' and the name still lingers in parts of England to this day, though in places it is still rung as 'curfew.' In mediæval times bells not only called people to worship, but they also marked the hours of the day and the seasons of the year, while the tolling of the 'passing bell' marked the end of a man's life and called for prayers on his behalf.

Up to the 16th century little can be deduced about the bells in St. Sepulchre's, except that there seems to have been a large one called

Baynard's Castle. The first date of importance is 1539, when the church acquired six fine bells. They came from the nearby Priory Church of St. Bartholomew on the surrender of the possessions of the Priory to the Crown. There were 11 bells in the Priory; six went to St. Sepulchre's—whether by gift or by purchase is not clear—the other five are still in the Church of St. Bartholomew the Great. All 11 were almost certainly cast by Thomas Bullisdon about the year 1510.

We next read of the bells in the Churchwardens' Inventory made for the Edwardian Commissioners in 1552:

'Item one greate bell callyd baynardes Castell that servyth the Clock with syxe other belles in one Ryng and one santes bell.'

Baynard's Castle had hung in the tower for years. It was almost certainly the bell referred to by Robert Dowe, a merchant tailor, who in 1605 gave the sum of £50 'for ringing the greatest bell of St. Sepulchre's Church on the day the condemned prisoners in Newgate were executed, and for other services for ever concerning such condemned prisoners.' The spiritual plight of the poor prisoners was keenly felt by Robert Dowe, for one of the 'other services' was the ringing of a handbell (preserved in the church) outside the condemned cell in Newgate on the eve of executions, with an exhortation to prayer and repentance. The 'greatest bell' (whether Baynard's Castle or, later on, the tenor bell) continued to ring from 6 to 10 o'clock on execution mornings until the late 19th century, though by that time the tolling was for a shorter period. It is uncertain when the great bell was last tolled at an execution; the probability is that the gruesome custom went on until about 1900. In earlier times, before executions took place at Newgate, the con-

demned prisoners were taken 'in the cart' to Tyburn and as they passed up Giltspur Street beside St. Sepulchre's Church, the Parish Clerk was to stand by the church wall and to say:

'All good people, pray heartily unto God for these poor sinners, who are now going to their death, for whom this great bell doth toll.'

There are few records of the bells in the middle part of the 17th century, though this is presumably because the Puritans disliked bells and forbade their ringing. An Ordinance of the Lords and Commons of 1644 ordered the removal of organs from parish churches, but bells were not so easy to take down and fortunately they seem to have escaped the Puritans' zeal in many cases. But although the bells of Old Bailey may have been silent during the Commonwealth, they undoubtedly rang out again at the Restoration. In the Churchwardens' accounts for 1660 we read of them being put in order for ringing:

'To Mr. Turner, the Bellhanger, for work done about the bells £4.15.4.'

In 1665, just before the Great Fire, we read again in the accounts of the 'great bell' clearly used as the curfew bell:

'For mending the clapper of the eight a Clock Bell £1.6.0.'

## THE GREAT FIRE

The Great Fire of 1666 gutted the church but left the walls and the tower standing. The heat of the fire melted the bells and the molten metal cascaded down, mingled with lead from the roof. There is, however, evidence that the 'greatest bell' (which hung in a turret apart from the others) was not destroyed. The Sanctus bell, too, seems to have remained. Ford, writing in 1667, the year after the Fire, has these lines:

'A lofty pile (now humbled) next appears,  
Once christened 'twas St. Sepulchers,  
Which, since it felt the all-interv'ring flame,  
The Saint lost, kept its empty name.  
They tell us here of one unmelted Bell,  
That toll'd condemned Felons knell,  
This Rumour heard, hang still, said she,  
to do

That work for London Fauxes too.'

(Londoni quod reliquum).

The Churchwardens were not dismayed by the catastrophe of the 'dreadful fire.' They were impatient to rebuild the parish church and at once set to work making contracts with the masons without waiting to consult Sir Christopher Wren, who had been appointed to rebuild the churches. One of the first things they did was to restore the bells and this they did in a surprisingly short time. On September 21st, only 17 days after the fire, they decided to search for the bell metal in the ruins. In the following month arrangements were made to 'clear and cleanse the bell metal melted by the fire.' The Churchwardens' accounts show a payment of £22 18s. 6d. 'to the Refynor for melting the bell metal.' Enough seems to have been recovered to cast three bells, for in December we read in the Vestry Minutes:

'Bell metal to be taken up and delivered to John Hodson of Bishopsgate, Carpenter, he giving his bond to cast the same into three sound and tuneable bells.'

Three other new bells were cast by Hodson at the same time. Why the Minutes call Hodson a carpenter is not clear. John and Christopher Hodson are known to have been active bell founders between 1653 and 1690.

The work must have gone ahead fairly quickly, for on February 13th following there is a Minute that:

'The Churchwardens do take order . . . for providing wheels and other necessities for the hanging up of the bells against they shall be brought in from the Founder, and later, on March 16th:

'John Hodson to make a good and substantial frame to hang the six bells.'

Once the bells were in, numerous amounts were spent on their maintenance. Here are two typical payments from 1670:

'For a bell rope for the 6th Bell 9s. 0s.'

'To Mr. Allon Bellhanger for ye 5th Bell Clapper 18s. 6d.'





# BELLS OF OLD BAILEY—Cont.

There are also many records of payments to the ringers at this time.

But soon, alas, Mr. Hodson's bells seem to have given trouble. On March 21st, 1671, the Vestry decided:

'That the Doctor' (i.e., Dr. Bell, the Vicar), 'Deputy CC, Churchwardens or any five of them, treat with Mr. Hodson the Bellfounder regarding the bells that are faulty and make such arrangement with him as they shall think fit.'

What they did 'think fit' is not clear from the Minutes, but apparently they got grander ideas about the bells, for the following month it was decided to increase the ring to eight bells. Thus on April 17th, 1671, we read:

'Mr. Wyse to make clock and chimes . . . the Iron Barrell to be for eight bells.'

Nevertheless, it was another six years before the eight bells became a reality. The final decision was taken on January 28th, 1677:

'That two new bells shall be made with convenient speed and the bell and lead about the Turret at the top of the steeple be sold in order to defray the charge.'

This bell in the turret must have been the old sanctus bell mentioned in the 1552 inventory. As it was at the top of the tower it may well have escaped the fire, as did the 'greatest bell.' That the sanctus bell did survive seems clear from an entry in the 1670 accounts:

'For a rope for the Sancts Bell 8s. 0d.'

The two new bells were cast by 'Mr. Darby,' though the parish records do not help in establishing his identity. He may have been John Darbie of Ipswich, the founder of the 1671 bells for nearby St. Vedast, Foster Lane. On the other hand he may have been Michael Darbie, an itinerant bell founder, who is known to have been active at this time and whose work was of poor quality. The Minutes certainly indicate that the new bells may not have been of the very best. Thus we read on August 5th, 1678:

'That Darby the Bellfounder be paid no more money till he hath made good the first bell.'

Again, on December 10th, 1678:

'That Mr. John Branson, Churchwarden, do pay to Mr. Darby, Bellfounder, what is due to him on his former account for casting the two least bells and also for what metal he hath added to the bell last cast. And as to his account for new casting the said bell, the Vestry do suspend the same till the bell be better approved.'

From this it would seem that one of the old Hodson bells must have been recast.

Now we come to an event of some importance. On January 17th, 1690, the College Youths rang touches of the first recorded Grandsire Triples on the bells. The Rule Book of the Ancient Society of College Youths indicates that it was a proper peal, rung in 3½ hours, but some authorities have disputed the accuracy of the entry.

Soon, however, there were yet more troubles. In 1695 the 'great bell' was cracked and had to be recast. The work was done by Thomas Povey, who does not seem to have been a well-known founder. The 'great bell' was evidently not the tenor of the ring but the old Baynard's Castle, the execution bell, which had certainly done very good service. We hear of it again a few years later.

(To be continued)

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# SOUTHAMPTON UNIVERSITY GUILD'S TOUR

A rather 'clapped' Capri estate car sped out of Southampton on July 4th carrying a happy cargo of seven ringers with full baggage. To enable some of the party to warm up for the 46 towers of our tour in Cornwall, a peal was attempted at Stoke-sub-Hamdon, Somerset, with Malcolm Powell driving the glorious 17 cwt. tenor. This was unfortunately lost after one and a half hours. Before arriving at the Globe Hotel, Truro, we had already eaten one batch of Oggies.

Sunday was a lazy day, with the afternoon spent on the beach, handbell ringing at St. Michael's Mount.

Tony Davidson, later known as 'Barsham' Davidson, joined us on Monday, when we were quickly 'broken-in' to Cornish ropes as two or three of the seven towers had knots instead of loops in the tailends, much to the displeasure of 'Hertfordshire' Jose Harris. Two towers stood out during the day, Redruth, because only the ringer of the second could hear the bells properly and then only if he pressed his ear to the pipe jutting out of the wall by his head; and Newlyn East, because the tailends were three feet too long and without loops. The remaining bells of the day were rung with enjoyment and were generally good.

A full programme was arranged for succeeding days, including joining in the practice at Truro Cathedral. (Space prevents us from reporting the activities in detail, but the concluding day is a sample of activities.—Ed.)

We left on Saturday, joined by Fran, determined to make the most of our last day's ringing and as a result the standard of ringing was perhaps at its highest. Mullion was quickly followed by Landewednack, Manaccon, St. Anthony-in-Meneage, and Mawgan-in-Meneage. It was with regret that we closed the door at Constantine, our last tower, as it had without doubt the best ring of six we met in Cornwall. Before our journey back to Southampton the following morning, we had one thing left to do and that was to conquer our 100th 'Oggie,' and even this was achieved, in the company of Alan Carveth at a pub in Penzance.

After such an enjoyable tour in the 'land of the Oggie,' we extend our thanks to the incumbents and local ringers for making us so welcome, Tony Davidson and Peter, from Leighton Buzzard, for enabling us to increase our repertoire of methods, also to John Taylor, for his perfectly-timed programme and skilful driving. MICK.

## BATH RINGERS IN CORNWALL

During recent weeks a project long discussed, of a holiday in Cornwall combined with some ringers, by five members of the Corston, Bath, company, was brought to fruition. Our days were spent mostly 'on the beach' and our evenings at various towers in the Penzance area. Sunday service ringing took place at Paul, and we were privileged to join in practices at St. Mary's, Penzance (twice), specially arranged by Mr. H. Miles, Gulval (twice), Paul, Carbis Bay and Lelant. An evening's ringing was arranged for us at Phillack by the Rev. A. S. Roberts, some of which was recorded by a non-ringing visitor who happened to be present. We were also joined by two of the local band. Another pleasant evening was spent at Madron, where we were made welcome by Mr. G. Taysom.

On the afternoon of Saturday, August 1st, we visited Sennen, Zennor and Towednack. On most of these occasions we were joined by Mr. E. Langley, late of Taunton, now residing in Redruth, and by Mr. F. V. Gant. To these gentlemen, to the tower masters whose practices we joined and to the incumbents who gave us special permission to ring, and not least to Mr. H. Miles and the Rev. A. S. Roberts our grateful thanks are due. We hope to repeat the experience in the not too distant future. L. R. G. T.

## COMPOSITIONS

### 5,021 FAWSLEY SURPRISE MAJOR

BY STEPHEN IVIN

23456 M B W H

35264 x 3 3

45362 x —

45623 x —

52436 x

42356 — x —

54326 — —

42635 2 x 3

35642 — 3x 2 —

56342 — x — 2

56423 2 2 —

(4236587) — 4ths and Out.

### 5,024 SELBORNE SURPRISE MAJOR

BY F. DENCH

23456 I/F W

63254 B —

56234 — —

62534 x

32654 x —

52364 x —

23564 x

43265 B —

32465 x

24365 x

64235 x —

34625 x —

46325 x —

26435 x —

36245 x —

62345 x

23645 x

23456 A

Rung at Willesden June 25th, 1964.

### 5,056 WHICKHAM SURPRISE MAJOR

BY E. W. TIPLER

23456 B M W H

25634 x 2 —

32654 — —

42563 — 2 —

64523 — —

34256 — 2 —

53246 — —

42635 — —

42356 x —

54326 — —

25463 x 2

62453 — —

56234 x 2

63542 x —

63425 x —

26435 — —

46532 — —

34625 x 2

23645 — —

23456 x —

First rung at Shirley, Warwicks, on June 10th, 1964.

## Collection of Doubles Methods

Mr. Roy H. Jones writes, adding the following to the Collection of Doubles (page 577): St. Helen.—Plain Course, Grandsire; Bob, Grandsire; Single, Antelope Single. St. Gregory.—Plain Court, Grandsire; Bob, Grandsire with 5, 4, 5; Antelope Single.



# MR. CLAUDE RUSH DELVES INTO 'CHURCH BELLS'

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## CHRISTCHURCH, NEW ZEALAND

19 Nov. 1880.—Meeting to form a Society of ringers. Resolved to form a society on the basis of Ancient Society of College Youths to be known as 'The Society of Christchurch Cathedral Bell-ringers.' 'Some good change-ringing on the Cathedral bells as soon as they are ready for use is promised.'

## CEFN COED, MERTHYR TYDVIL.

20 Dec. 1880.—New ring of 6, tenor 9 cwt. in A, opened. Cast and hung by Llewelin and James, Bristol. Funds by public subscription.

## MUFFLED BELLS

'Our opinion is asked how bells should be muffled. The great beauty arises from the second blow being, as it were, the echo of the first—to produce which the clapper is muffled on the side opposite the pulley or the fillet: if changes are rung they should be in whole-pulls, as recommended and practised by Squire Troyte at Huntsham, and a few other places: the effect is most touching.'

## CLERICAL RINGERS AT WILTON, NORFOLK

3 Jan. 1881.—By invitation of the Rector, Rev. W. W. Hutt, several clerical ringers of the Norwich Diocesan Association met at Wilton to try a ring. Seven clergymen are named. They rang three methods of Doubles and two of Minor. Next day Mr. Hutt took his guests to neighbouring Methwold, 'to ring and hear the fine-toned bells of that village.' Here they rang 720 Oxford T.B. Minor in 27 minutes. Tenor 14 cwt. 'This is believed to be the first 720 of T.B. Minor ever rung by a company composed entirely of clergymen, and we may gather from this that art of ringing is gradually becoming esteemed and practised as it deserves.'

## CHALFORD, GLOS.

5 Jan. 1881.—Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan meeting at Stroud. One band visited Chalford 'where there is a ring of six steel bells, but if they are no better than the ringers report them to be, it will be a long time before steel will beat the good old-fashioned metal of our towers....'

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD OF CHANGE-RINGERS

17 Jan. 1881.—General meeting at Oxford. 'Great disappointment was felt that no ringing could take place owing to the refusal of the College authorities to grant permission for the use of their bells on this occasion.... It was finally decided to admit a round-ringer as a probationer, and on payment of 1/- to grant him all the privileges enjoyed by a change-ringing member, exception having been taken by the Bishop at the world "performing member" which, he said, savoured too much of a street organ and a monkey, so the word "change-ringing-member" was substituted. Several paid their two guineas which entitled them to life membership.'

## SHREWSBURY, HANDBELLS

24 Jan. 1881.—'630 Grandsire Triples containing 24 bobs and 6 singles were rung by tapping on handbells by D. Davies and called from a MS. by D. H. Davies, in 25 minutes.'

## ST. OSWALD, COMPTON ABDALÉ, GLOS

The 4 old bells have been recast by Warners into a very pretty ring of 6, and hung by Savory and Sons, of Painswick. The timber for the frame was presented by the Earl of Eldon. Dedicated 14 Jan. 1881, before a crowded congregation. Old tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in G. New tenor 8 cwt. 5 lb. in A flat.

## WESTMINSTER ABBEY

1 Feb. 1881.—The 6 bells, tenor 36 cwt., rung for a wedding. 'Church Bells' remarks: 'There have been rumours of late that the fine ring of 6 was to be augmented to 8. It would be a great improvement.'

## PETERBOROUGH PARISH CHURCH: INVITATION TO KEEP A CENTENARY

The Vicar, Rev. H. S. Syers, announced that on 15 Mar. 1881, they would keep the centenary of the death of Matthew Wildbore (or Wyldbore) who left £5 to the ringers

annually for a peal to be rung on the anniversary of the day of his death. He did this for the encouragement of bell ringing in his native parish. For 99 years the gift had been earned. Now the Vicar writes, 'May we ask some of the brethren to come and help us observe the day with such éclat as may give a stimulus to the science' and art of ringing here in Peterborough. Will anyone form a team to come and ring; will any Priest who is a lover of ringing give us a sermon on our special service on that day; and will anyone give a public lecture on Ringing? We have a fine ring of 8 and we offer a hearty welcome and hospitality to any of the craft who will volunteer to come.'

On 15th the bells rang at an early hour and continued during the day. Fifty dined at the Falcon Hotel. Rev. D. W. Barrett said that when he was a boy he could stand on a hill near his home at Christmastide and hear no less than 15 sets of bells ringing in the neighbourhood. He stressed care to be taken of the ringing-chamber, and not let it become a storehouse for coal, candle-ends, pieces of rope and other rubbish. 'There are 40,000 church bells in England and each has a rope with a ringer at its end.'

Rev. Mr. Syers referred to the Peterborough founder, William Penn, and to 'Bell Dyke' by Bridge Street, where bells were floated down the river to be taken away on waiting barges. He also said that the metal of Peterborough Parish Church bells was a portion of the great bell of Leicester Abbey which, at the Dissolution, was purchased by the churchwardens of Peterborough and brought by road by teams of horses to the city in Henry VIII's reign.

## 'STANDARD METHODS IN THE ART OF CHANGE-RINGING,'

BY JASPER W. SNOWDON—

price 2/6 post free from any bookseller or the author—just published, 19 Feb. 1881, 'to continue the instruction given in "Ropesight".'

## ALL SAINTS', MAIDSTONE

7 Feb. 1881.—5,040 Grandsire Triples, 3 hours 2 minutes. Tenor about 30 cwt. in C. 'Rung on the first 8 bells, the 9th and 10th not being in ringing order for so long a peal... the first peal of its kind ever rung on these bells... and not one of any kind for more than 60 years....'

## SEEND, WILTS

'More than a year ago (to 1881) one of the bells gave way at the canons and, in falling, broke the treble. Last autumn the parishioners agreed to have the broken bell recast and the whole ring rehung in a new cage. The munificence of a lady in the parish enabled them to add a new bell, making 6. The casting was by Mears and Stainbank and the hanging by Alfred York, of Bristol. Reopened 17 Feb. 1881. The Vicar, Rev. A. B. Thynne, 'having himself taken to ringing with a good will, gave the first pull at the new treble.'

## SS. MARY AND NICHOLAS, SPALDING

R. Mackman writes, 26 Feb. 1881, 'Mr. Jerram says that the weight of the tenor is 15 cwt. I have been told it is 18 cwt. The correct measure is 5,493 cubic inches. Would any of your readers tell me the weight of the bell from that measure.'

Mr. Jerram replied, 'It is nonsense to attempt to calculate the number of cubic inches in a thing of irregular thickness and shape. Had he given the exact diameter at the mouth, and the thickness of the soundbow, and the note, perhaps someone might have been able to answer his query.' (I see no further reference, but today 'Dove' shows 15 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in F.—C.R.)

## CHRIST CHURCH, BRAY, CO. WICKLOW, IRELAND

'We are advancing in the practice of Bell-ringing in Ireland, and the hanging of bells in our parish churches is becoming more common. On 10 Feb. 1881, 8 bells are to be dedicated in Bray tower—entire weight 113

cwt. 14 lbs., tenor 28 cwt. 3 qrs. 6 lbs., "raised by one man and clapping truly." Ellacombe hammers fitted. The two largest, D and E, are maiden bells... Towards the cost of £1,000 the following sums were contributed—Lord and Lady Brabazon, £200; Lord and Lady Meath, £90; Mrs. Symes, £60; Mr. Breslin, £100; Mr. Jackson, £50; Rt. Hon. W. E. Gladstone, £50. The "Daily Express" said, "The art of Campanology is one which for many years has been too much neglected in Ireland... and Bray now promises to enter the strife (i.e., vieing with other towers). We hope the day will come before long when Irishmen will take the field against Englishmen in this and other rivalries and challenge the ringers of Lancashire to a friendly contest of skill with a not too presumptuous hope of victory.'

NOTICE.—'Wanted for the parish of Bray, an experienced instructor in the art of change-ringing. Remuneration, 10/- per week with additional 10/- until employment has been obtained, which would probably be found quickly by a good and steady tradesman or mechanic. Copies of testimonials to Rev. J. G. Scott, Rector, Bray.'

## ST. BARTHOLOMEW, DUBLIN

12 Feb. 1881.—'A splendid ring of 8 bells shortly to be hung in the belfry of this beautiful church.'

## ST. GEORGE'S, DUBLIN

26 Feb. 1881.—Grandsire Triples were rung at Bray, 10 Feb. 1881. 'We should be pleased to report some day the same style of scientific ringing from St. George's, Dublin, where we understand, they they do nothing but call-changes.'

## 'HANDBELL MUSIC.'

BY W. GORDON, of STOCKPORT.

'We have been favoured with a copy of this clever production and strongly recommend it. We are sorry to see that the author styles himself "Teacher and Conductor of the Stockport Campanological Band," a horrible mongrel word which we desire to stamp out, preferring plain English Ringing instead....'

Later, the paper published this notice—'Campanology. We would suggest to our correspondents to discontinue the use of this mongrel word. Campanology, and use plain English Bell-ringing instead. The word is as absurd as Bellology. Some people like to use long and grand-sounding words; but there is nothing like calling a Spade a Spade.'

(In a previous volume I had noted that the Editor of 'Church Bells' had said that Campanology was half Low Latin and half Greek and therefore mongrel.—C.R.)

## 'NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.'

'Friends who send us cuttings from newspapers are requested not to cut off the heading and the date of the paper or even to write them.' ('R.W.' Editor will undoubtedly endorse. 'Church Bells' Editor also asked correspondents to include the name of the county when they referred to a place. I would heartily endorse that. Often in the 'R.W.' which I read very thoroughly, I don't know if I am reading of a place in Cumberland or Kent and so lose a certain amount of interest.—C.R.)

## SOBERTON, HANTS

March. 1881.—The fine old bells in the tower, which was built by a butler and a dairymaid, have been rehung by Mr. Mallaby, of Masham, Bedale. All is now in perfect order and the best judges say that Soberton can boast of one of the most perfect and sweet rings of bells in Hants. They date from 15th century.

## SS. SIMON AND JUDE, NORWICH

OLD BELLS FOR SALE—12 Mar. 1881—Two from a ring of five—4th—30½ dia. 5 cwt. 46 lb., by W. Brend, 1607; 2nd—25½ dia. 2 cwt. 84 lb., by W. Brend, 1634. Apply to churchwardens.

## HANDBELL RINGING

19 Mar. 1881.—Holt's Ten-part Grandsire Triples has been recently rung, with an interval between each part, by tapping on handbells by a convalescent, without a caller, or help of any kind. Total time 3 hours 42 minutes.

## ROTHWELL, YORKS

19 Mar. 1881.—Recently Benjamin Walker, one of the oldest inhabitants of the town and a noted ringer, passed away in his 83rd year. He rang at the parish church, and assisted in ringing fifty-three midnight peals on as many consecutive Christmas nights.



## ST. DUNSTAN'S, STEPNEY, LONDON

5 Mar. 1881.—Ten Ancient Society of College Youths rang 5,007 Stedman Caters in 3½ hours. Tenor 31 cwt. in D. 'Church Bells' adds, 'We are sorry that our College Youths friends should have set an example of pleasure-pealing in Lent.'

## ELSTREE, HERTS

2 Apl. 1881.—Lately Warners have cast a ring of 6 for this church. tenor about 7 cwt., where the Rector and the curate are taking much interest in the ringers, the latter being one of them. Mrs. Bedford has added a treble. 'Quarterly Notes' of the parish states, 'Under the able instruction of Mr. J. R. Haworth we hope to...astonish the natives with some touches of Doubles and Minor and other mysteries of the art.'

ST. EDWARD'S, ROMFORD, ESSEX  
ACCIDENT TO A RINGER

29 Mar. 1881.—One of the ringers, G. Roughton, went to the belfry with another ringer named Perkins to get the bells ready for weekly practice. The usual signal having been given, Perkins left Roughton and the ringers began to raise the bells, Roughton staying to turn the clappers.

All bells were raised and then one of the ringers, seeing Perkins enter the ringing-chamber, pulled off the 7th bell just as Roughton was going to turn the clapper. The rim of the bell caught his left heel and crushed it between the beam, cutting almost all the flesh off the bone, severing his shoe completely in half. The ringers knew nothing of what had happened until they saw blood dropping down near the door and looking up, saw Roughton descending as best he could the ladder which leads from the bells, which runs quite straight up the wall. It was found necessary to put 6 stitches in the limb...

## CHERITON, KENT

Easter Monday, 1881.—New ring of 6 by Mears opened at Dedication Service. Subscribed for as a memorial to the late Mrs. K. Hugessen, wife of the Hon. Sec. of the Kent County Association and formerly Rector of Cheriton. Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. Hung by Messrs. Finn, of Mersham.

## EYE, SUFFOLK

Easter Monday, 1881.—Ringers' anniversary ringing from 10 a.m., continued throughout the day 'with great spirit' and kept up until a late hour. Also on handbells. 'Several clergy and gentry visited the town for the purpose of hearing the bells... Tenor 24 cwt. in E flat by Miles Graye, 1640.' (This tenor was recently found to weigh under 19 cwt!—C.R.)

## CARE OF BELFRIES

In April, 1881, W. Wigram urged all who had charge of church towers to 'examine the bell cage at once and tighten all nuts. The East wind will have searched every joint, and will have moved every atom of wood which drought can affect, and many bolts will be found to be so loose that they can be moved with the fingers. Every tower should be provided with a powerful screw-hammer ready for such times because loose work means useless wear and tear.'

Messrs. Moore, Holmes and Mackenzie wrote that they fitted an iron frame at Weybread, Suffolk, in 1879, and now, 'two years later, the nuts and bolts are still tight, nothing having been done to them in the meantime although the bells have been rung 2 or 3 times almost every week and still go to perfection.'

It had been suggested by Mr. J. R. Jerram, bellhanger of Spalding, that iron expands and contracts with heat and cold, and so constant attention is necessary to keep the nuts tight. 'Can Mr. Jerram say as much for any bells he ever hung in wood?' they ask.

Mr. Jerram replied at length and ended, 'It should always be borne in mind that bells may be sadly neglected, and everything should be arranged to allow, as far as possible, for this.'

## CRAWLEY, SUSSEX

Easter Sunday, 1881.—7 a.m. Several six-scores of Grandsire Doubles on the first five of the eight bells, cover bells and the two tenors behind. The Rector, Rev. J. B. Lenard, was on 5th. 'The first peal ever rung by the Crawley Society which has only been in existence since Dec. last. Until last Oct.,

Crawley, which has a fine tower, possessed no bells to ring.'

## ROTHERHAM, YORKS

Easter Monday, 1881.—Sixtieth anniversary of the opening of the bells. 6,006 Royal and Caters in 4½ hours. Tenor 32 cwt. C. H. Hattersley, composer and conductor, on 6th. 'This is the first performance on these bells.'

## YALDING, KENT

1881.—'The Round-ringers of this place have disgraced themselves in the eyes of all right-feeling people throughout the kingdom by rigging at intervals all through Good Friday—taking advantage of the absence of the Vicar... They may well be ashamed of their conduct, and deserve to be excommunicated from the County Association or not admitted as members when they apply.'

DEATH OF LORD BEACONSFIELD:  
FUNERAL PEAL

26th April, 1881.—5,003 Grandsire Caters in 3 hours 26 minutes at St. Clement Danes', Strand, London. Tenor 24 cwt. Half muffled. Rung while the funeral took place.

Much ringing to his memory took place up and down the country. At Cheltenham they rang Stedman with the bells 'deeply muffled,' then rang out his age. 'The ringing out of the age is not generally understood. It is, however, when well done, very effective, and solemn in sound. The execution is by ringing all the bells round, backstroke and handstroke, then all the bells stand while the tenor strikes twice—counting the two strokes for one year. The Union Jack hung from the steeple half-mast high on this occasion.'

At Castle Donington, Leicestershire, 'the large bell of the parish church was tolled at intervals during the day.'

## ST. CLEMENT'S, CORNWALL

April, 1881.—Four new bells have been supplied by Warners—two ancient bells having been exactly reproduced as to stamp and inscriptions. The firm supplied instructions for a new cage to be executed by a local artisan, but he thought he could improve the design and therefore added to the expense.'

(To be continued)

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The quarter at Dagenham this week owes its beginning to Brian Downey, of Birmingham, who 18 months ago while under a course of training took in hand 12 teenagers and one adult from scratch. When he left, after six months, Mr. J. Armstrong and his wife continued the training. Now the first hurdle has been cleared, there are hopes of more frequent quarters.

The peal of Grandsire Cinques at St. Giles', Cripplegate, in memory of Mr. A. A. Hughes, was the first peal in that method on the bells.

The ringer of the third in the peal at Wootton Waven on July 4th (see page 569) was James West and it was his first peal attempt.

A yellow woollen scarf was found in the West Wycombe belfry after the joint meeting there on June 20th. The owner should contact Miss Doreen Hague, 6, Stompits Road, Holyport, Maidenhead.

An Abraham Rudhall bell of 1710, which formerly hung in Gloucester Prison, has been presented to Gloucester Museum. It was rung vigorously when a prisoner escaped and tolled mournfully to mark an execution.

We are informed that the peal at Holt, Wilts, on August 15th, was only the second of Surprise Minor on the bells and was rung on the 18th anniversary of the first. All the 'inside' ringers were members of the local band.

Congratulations to Stephen Hall, of Shephed, Leics, who, at the age of 12, rang in two peals on August 18th, viz., a peal in three Minor methods at Packington and the treble to a peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major at the Loughborough Bell Foundry. He is probably the youngest ringer to ring two peals in one day.

Until the Rector recognises the keenness of the young band of ringers now learning at Chartham, Kent, and obtains some new ropes, the ringers from surrounding towers will be disinclined to come to their practices to help them, writes Mr. Colin H. Cook, in forwarding a quarter peal rung on these bells. The last, he states, was rung at least 16 years ago.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

The quarter peal at Ottery St. Mary was rung after an attempt for a peal of Oxford Bob Triples broke down. It was 12-year-old Miss Margaret Retter's first peal attempt. Don't worry, Margaret, it won't be long before you score your first peal. Though she is an ardent fan of the Beatles, Margaret would sooner miss one of their performances than miss a chance of ringing anywhere, such is her enthusiasm.

Mr. L. Stilwell 'circled' St. John the Baptist Church tower, Egham, on August 20th. His first peal at this tower was in 1927.

David J. Hopkins made an auspicious start to peal ringing. Participating in Alan G. Payne's Lincolnshire Peal Week, he rang his first two peals in six and a half hours.

The band who rang the wedding peal at Ludgershall on August 16th are grateful to the Rev. and Mrs. Oliver for their hospitality afterwards.

We are now informed that the peal at Sempringham (see page 552) was rung for the Peterborough Diocesan Guild and not the Lincoln Guild.

The quarter peal at Leigh, Surrey, is believed to be the first on the bells for at least 30 years but unfortunately there seems no means of checking, writes a correspondent.

The peal rung at Kingham on August 8th (see page 583) was for the Worcestershire and Districts Association and not for the Oxford Diocesan Guild.

'A Ringing Belle' takes up her pen,  
To correct a fault once again.

She hails from fair Notts' lovely vales,  
And not from Derby's hills and dales.

Would all intending visitors to the Lichfield Diocesan Festival on September 5th please note that Lapley bells are not now available, and that the time of ringing at Gnosall is 7.15 until 8 p.m. sharp.

Mr. Arthur Cole, of Great Bromley, rang a quarter peal on his 80th birthday. He learned to ring at Ardleigh in 1900. He moved to Bromley in 1919 and has been captain of that tower for the last 25 years.

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# A LINCOLNSHIRE PEAL WEEK

ALL THE PEALS RUNG FOR THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

LUTTON, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

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

Tenor 4 cwt. 2 qr. 15 lb. in C sharp.

Edwin T. Chapman .. .. Treble	David R. Baxter .. .. 4
Keith R. Davey .. .. 2	Derek J. Jones .. .. 5
Alan G. Payne .. .. 3	Roger D. Bailey .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Alan G. Payne.

DEEPING ST. NICHOLAS, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in ten methods, viz: (1) Double Court, (2) Double Oxford, Thelwall, St. Clement's and Childwall, (3) Single Oxford, (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) Oxford T.B., (6) Kent T.B., (7) Plain Bob.

*Keith R. Davey .. .. Treble	David R. Baxter .. .. 4
John R. Ketteringham .. 2	Roger D. Bailey .. .. 5
Derek J. Jones .. .. 3	*Alan G. Payne .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Roger D. Bailey.

\* 50th peal together. Tenor 6 cwt. 22 lb. in B.

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

On Tues., Aug. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being two extents of Stedman, five each of Reverse Canterbury, Winchendon, St. Martin's and St. Simon's and 20 of Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 22 lb. in G sharp.

Alan G. Payne .. .. Treble	†Edwin T. Chapman .. 3
*David J. Hopkinson .. 2	††Roger D. Bailey .. .. 4
†David R. Baxter .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by David R. Baxter.

\* First peal. † 25th peal together. †† First of Doubles.

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

On Tues., Aug. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in 11 methods, viz: (1) Beverley and Surfleet Surprise, (2) Double Oxford, Thelwall, St. Clement's and Childwall, (3) Single Oxford, (4) Kent T.B., (5) Cambridge Surprise, (6) Oxford T.B., (7) Plain Bob.

*David J. Hopkinson .. Treble	David R. Baxter .. .. 4
Roger D. Bailey .. .. 2	†Derek J. Jones .. .. 5
†Alan G. Payne .. .. 3	Cyril R. Burrell .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Cyril R. Burrell.

\* First peal of Minor. † 25th peal together.

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

On Wed., Aug. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods being one extent each of College, Single Court, Hereward, Double Bob, Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt.

Charles E. Black .. .. Treble	Roger D. Bailey .. .. 4
John H. Bluff .. .. 2	David R. Baxter .. .. 5
Edwin T. Chapman .. .. 3	Alan G. Payne .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Alan G. Payne.

GOSBERTON, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Thurs., Aug. 6, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of London, Wells, York, Durham, Surfleet, Beverley and Cambridge.

Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb. in E flat.

Derek J. Jones .. .. Treble	Roger D. Bailey .. .. 4
Edwin T. Chapman .. .. 2	*Alan G. Payne .. .. 5
Cyril R. Burrell .. .. 3	David R. Baxter .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Alan G. Payne.

\* 100th peal.

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

On Fri., Aug. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in 14 methods, viz: (1) Beverley, Surfleet and Cambridge Surprise, (2) Double Oxford, Thelwall, St. Clement's and Childwall, (3) Double Bob and Fulbeck, (4) Hereward and Single Oxford, (5) Oxford T.B., (6) Kent T.B., (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 13½ cwt. in F.

David J. Hopkinson .. Treble	Roger D. Bailey .. .. 4
Alan G. Payne .. .. 2	David R. Baxter .. .. 5
Edwin T. Chapman .. .. 3	Derek J. Jones .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Roger D. Bailey.

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

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

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

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 2 lb.

John H. Bluff .. .. Treble	Alan G. Payne .. .. 4
Edwin T. Chapman .. .. 2	Derek J. Jones .. .. 5
Roger D. Bailey .. .. 3	David R. Baxter .. .. Tenor

Rung non-conducted

# A SOUTH-EAST PEAL WEEK

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

GREAT DUNMOW, Essex.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb. in E.

Ian R. Panton .. .. Treble	Neville F. Whittell .. .. 5
Alice E. J. Lester .. .. 2	Jeffrey J. Fox .. .. 6
Ann E. Fellows .. .. 3	Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 7
Anthony H. Smith .. .. 4	Peter S. Bennett .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. Craven.

Conducted by Peter S. Bennett.

A wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Bennett.

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA (Prittlewell), Essex.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sun., Aug. 9, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERPILERS

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb. in E.

Peter S. Bennett .. .. Treble	Neville F. Whittell .. .. 6
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. 2	*†Jeffrey J. Fox .. .. 7
*Richard S. Starkie .. .. 3	Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 8
*Alice E. J. Lester .. .. 4	Alfred J. House .. .. 9
Ann E. Fellows .. .. 5	Philip J. Rothera .. .. Tenor

Composed by B. Jealous.

Conducted by Alfred J. House.

\* First of Grandsire. † First on ten.

KIRBY-LE-SOKEN, Essex.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Mon., Aug. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5280 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in G sharp.

*Neville F. Whittell .. Treble	Philip J. Rothera .. .. 5
David J. Allen .. .. 2	*Anthony H. Smith .. .. 6
Richard S. Starkie .. .. 3	†Peter S. Bennett .. .. 7
Alice E. J. Lester .. .. 4	Ian R. Panton .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. Smith.

Conducted by Peter S. Bennett.

\* First in the method. † First 'inside' and as conductor.

GOLDHANGER, Essex.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Tues., Aug. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5184 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in A flat.

Ann E. Fellows .. .. Treble	*Jeffrey J. Fox .. .. 5
Alice E. J. Lester .. .. 2	Ian R. Panton .. .. 6
*Anthony H. Smith .. .. 3	David J. Allen .. .. 7
Philip J. Rothera .. .. 4	Peter S. Bennett .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. Roberts.

Conducted by Peter S. Bennett.

\* First of Pudsey.

A 21st birthday compliment to P. R. J. Lester.

BOCKING, Essex.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Wed., Aug. 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb. in E.

Alice E. J. Lester .. Treble	Richard S. Starkie .. .. 5
Ann E. Fellows .. .. 2	*Jeffrey J. Fox .. .. 6
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. 3	Ian C. Maycock .. .. 7
Neville F. Whittell .. .. 4	†Philip J. Rothera .. .. Tenor

Composed by Charles Middleton.

Conducted by Ian C. Maycock.

\* First peal of Cambridge. † 75th peal and 25th for the Association.

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

On Thurs., Aug. 13, 1964, in 3 Hours,

## A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 5 lb. in F.

Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. Treble	Richard S. Starkie .. .. 5
Philip J. Rothera .. .. 2	*Anthony H. Smith .. .. 6
Neville F. Whittell .. .. 3	Ian C. Maycock .. .. 7
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 4	Ian R. Panton .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. Poyner.

Conducted by Ian C. Maycock.

\* First of Lincolnshire.

# THE SUFFOLK GUILD

DEBENHAM, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

On Fri., Aug. 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5152 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb. in E flat.

Richard S. Starkie .. Treble	*Jeffrey J. Fox .. .. 5
Ann E. Fellows .. .. 2	Philip J. Rothera .. .. 6
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. 3	David J. Allen .. .. 7
Anthony H. Smith .. .. 4	Peter S. Bennett .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. Carter.

Conducted by Peter S. Bennett.

\* First of D.N.C.B.M.

GRUNDISBURGH, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Fri., Aug. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 8 cwt. 23 lb. in G.

Ann E. Fellows .. Treble	*Anthony H. Smith .. .. 6
David J. Allen .. .. 2	Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. 7
Richard S. Starkie .. .. 3	Ian R. Panton .. .. 8
*†Philip J. Rothera .. .. 4	†Peter S. Bennett .. .. 9
*Neville F. Whittell .. 5	Ian C. Maycock .. .. Tenor

Composed by D. Carlisle.

Conducted by Ian C. Maycock.

\* First peal of Cambridge Royal. † 25th peal together. †† First of Surprise Royal.



HOLLESEY, Suffolk.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Ian R. Panton .. .. Treble	*Richard S. Starkie .. .. 5
Alice E. J. Lester .. .. 2	*Jeffrey J. Fox .. .. 6
*Anthony H. Smith .. .. 3	Ian C. Maycock .. .. 7
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. 4	David J. Allen .. .. Tenor
Composed by N. J. Pitstow.	
* First peal in the method.	
Tenor 17 cwt. 11 lb. in F.	

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

CAMBRIDGE.—At the Church of St. Andrew-the-Great.

On Sun., Aug. 16, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

**A PEAL OF 5088 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Ian C. Maycock .. .. Treble	*David J. Allen .. .. 5
*Alice E. J. Lester .. .. 2	*Jeffrey J. Fox .. .. 6
Ann E. Fellows .. .. 3	*Philip J. Rothera .. .. 7
*Anthony H. Smith .. .. 4	Peter S. Bennett .. .. Tenor
Composed by N. J. Pitstow.	
* First peal in the method.	
Conducted by Ian C. Maycock.	

**TWELVE AND TEN BELL PEALS**

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

LONDON, E.C.—At the Church of St. Giles, Cripplegate.

On Sat., Aug. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 37 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5037 GRANDSIRE CINQUES**

Albert M. Tyler .. .. Treble	Richard J. Bowden .. .. 7
Michael J. Hobbs .. .. 2	Roger F. Overington .. 8
John Phillips .. .. 3	D. John Hunt .. .. 9
Alan J. Frost .. .. 4	Emlyn F. Hancock .. .. 10
Patrick J. Bird .. .. 5	Michael V. Chilcott .. .. 11
John Chilcott .. .. 6	James Phillips .. .. Tenor
Composed and Conducted by Albert M. Tyler.	
Rung in memory of Albert Arthur Hughes, Past Master of this Society and honorary treasurer for 40 years.	

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

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

On Sat., Aug. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Tenor 21 cwt. 17 lb. in E.	
*Sheila Hallett .. .. Treble	*David Gay .. .. 6
David C. M. Hill .. .. 2	Victor G. Savage .. .. 7
Percy Hull .. .. 3	Edward J. Chivers .. .. 8
Eric Naylor .. .. 4	Gwilym Salmon .. .. 9
Ronald D. Short .. .. 5	Robert G. Field .. .. Tenor
Composed by Nolan Golden.	
* First peal of ten bells.	
A wedding compliment to Bridget Sanger, of Evercreech, and Michael White, of Bleadon, whose marriage preceded this peal.	

**EIGHT BELL PEALS**

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

CITY OF LONDON.—At the Church of St. Lawrence Jewry.

On Mon., Aug. 17, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Thurstans' Four-Part.	Tenor 24½ cwt. in E flat.
Raymond G. Cousins .. Treble	Michael V. Chilcott .. .. 5
William J. Rawlings .. 2	Philip A. F. Chalk .. .. 6
John Phillips .. .. 3	John Chilcott .. .. 7
Roger F. Overington .. 4	James Phillips .. .. Tenor
Conducted by Michael V. Chilcott.	
Rung half-muffled in memory of Albert A. Hughes, senior Past Master of the Society and a warden of this church.	

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

TOTTENHAM, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Thurs., Aug. 20, 1964, in 3 Hours.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Pritchard's Four-Part.	Tenor 9½ cwt.
R. John Scott .. .. Treble	†Jeffrey Claughton .. .. 5
*Christine A. Smith .. 2	†Albert G. Stripp .. .. 6
†Ian Knox .. .. 3	C. Edward Jeffries .. .. 7
Ronald J. Sharp .. .. 4	John W. Sinfield .. .. Tenor
Conducted by John W. Sinfield.	
* First peal. † First of Bob Major. First peal in the method on the bells.	
Rung as a 100th birthday compliment to Mrs. Rachel Buckmaster.	

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

MACCLESFIELD, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 7½ cwt.	
Derek Yates .. .. Treble	Alan McFall .. .. 5
C. Kenneth Lewis .. .. 2	John Worth .. .. 6
Robert Warrilow .. .. 3	John Robinson .. .. 7
Harold C. Lanyon .. .. 4	A. Peter Whitehead .. .. Tenor
Composed by C. H. Hattersley.	
Conducted by John Worth.	

THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BOLSOVER, Derbyshire.—At the Church of SS. Mary and Lawrence.

On Thurs., Aug. 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14½ cwt.	
Ronald H. Bullen .. .. Treble	John J. L. Gilbert .. .. 5
*A. William Kirkby .. .. 2	Roger J. Lumley .. .. 6
Eileen J. Osborne .. .. 3	Barry Sullivan .. .. 7
Geoffrey N. Goodall .. 4	Ian M. Holland .. .. Tenor
Arranged and Conducted by Ian M. Holland.	
* First peal of Surprise Major 'inside.'	

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

ST. GERMAN'S, Cornwall.—At the Church of S. Germanus.

On Tues., Aug. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 11½ cwt.	
*Margaret E. Chilton .. Treble	Cyril S. Jarrett .. .. 5
Michael H. Sinden .. .. 2	*†D. Roy Boulton .. .. 6
*†Margaret A. Boulton .. 3	†Bernard F. L. Groves .. 7
*Harry Stacey .. .. 4	Martin L. Howe .. .. Tenor
Composed by C. W. Roberts.	
Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.	
* First peal in the method. † 50th peal together. ‡ 600th peal.	
Rung for Derek Pearce, of Stratton, on his 17th birthday.	

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Nicholas.

On Wed., Aug. 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

J. W. Parker's One-Part Reversed.	Tenor 17 cwt. 16 lb. in G flat.
Denis A. Bayles .. .. Treble	George Deas .. .. 5
*Ian G. Campbell .. .. 2	†Christopher C. Brown .. 6
Michael Maughan .. .. 3	Kenneth Arthur .. .. 7
John E. Anderson .. .. 4	Alan R. Patterson .. .. Tenor
Conducted by Kenneth Arthur.	
* First peal in the method. † First of Surprise.	

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

LONGSTANTON, Cambs.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Aug. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

H. Johnson's Variation.	Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in A flat.
*Michael W. Carter .. Treble	†George E. Bonham .. .. 5
Donald F. Murfet .. .. 2	†Henry C. Foster .. .. 6
George E. Crisp .. .. 3	Peter Woollven .. .. 7
Harold S. Peacock .. .. 4	John H. Bluff .. .. Tenor
Conducted by John H. Bluff.	
* First peal of Major. † First of Surprise Major. ‡ First of Major in the method.	

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

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

On Sun., Aug. 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 WARWICKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 11 cwt.	
David A. Burt .. .. Treble	Cliff Richards .. .. 5
John H. Taylor .. .. 2	Michael J. Hobbs .. .. 6
Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 3	D. John Hunt .. .. 7
Alan Tubbs .. .. 4	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. Tenor
Composed by Norman Smith.	
Conducted by D. John Hunt.	
First peal in the method for the Association, on the bells and by all except the ringer of the tenor.	

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

EGHAM, Surrey.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist.

On Thurs., Aug. 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb. in F.	
Leonard Stilwell .. .. Treble	E. John Wells .. .. 5
Dennis G. Blows .. .. 2	Roy Collins .. .. 6
Peter J. Joyce .. .. 3	Martin W. Harbott .. .. 7
John F. M. Maybrey .. 4	A. Patrick Cannon .. .. Tenor
Composed by F. Bennett.	
Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon.	
Mr. L. Stilwell has now 'completed the circle' in this tower.	

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

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

On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5184 EALING SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 15 lb. in G.	
Doris E. Colgate .. .. Treble	*John R. Cooper .. .. 5
*Ann Jenner .. .. 2	Ralph Bird .. .. 6
*Olive D. Tester .. .. 3	*Colin A. Tester .. .. 7
Arthur S. Richards .. .. 4	*Stanley Jenner .. .. Tenor
Composed and Conducted by Stanley Jenner.	
* First peal in the method.	
Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. W. L. Wilson, of Rickmansworth, and Miss C. V. Richards, of West Wickham, who were married the previous day.	



## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY.—At the Church of St. John.  
On Sun., Aug. 16, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

David Vincent .. .. Treble	J. Barry Pickup .. .. 5
Pauline Turner .. .. 2	Thomas W. Smith .. .. 6
Geoffrey Fothergill .. .. 3	Bernard Moss .. .. 7
*Christopher A. Lomax .. .. 4	John Ashcroft .. .. Tenor

Composed by N J Pitstow. Conducted by John Ashcroft.  
\* First peal in the method 'inside.'

Rung half-muffled in memoriam Walter Higham, for 33 years Ap-  
paritor of this church. Tenor 12½ cwt.

BIRCH-IN-RUSHOLME, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. James.  
On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tudor P. Edwards .. .. Treble	*S. Michael J. Young .. .. 5
Peter Watson .. .. 2	John Nelson .. .. 6
David Baker .. .. 3	Trevor Taylor .. .. 7
Derek Ashton .. .. 4	Geoffrey D. Fearnough Tenor

Composed by A. Craven. Conducted by Trevor Taylor.  
\* First peal of Surprice 'inside.'

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.  
On Tues., Aug. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

*Stephen Hall .. .. Treble	Richard J. Clifton .. .. 5
Sandra E. Chesterton .. .. 2	Dan S. Pont .. .. 6
†Brian G. Warwick .. .. 3	G. Ronald Edwards .. .. 7
Joseph W. Cotton .. .. 4	A. James Poyner .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. Tipler (No. B.42). Conducted by B. G. Warwick.  
\* First peal of Treble Bob Major. † 100th peal in the method.  
‡ First of Yorkshire. Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in C.

ASHBY FOLVILLE, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Aug. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Garry W. Mason .. .. Treble	David G. Wilford .. .. 5
*Malcolm E. Wade .. .. 2	A. Maxwell Lindsey .. .. 6
Denis A. Frith .. .. 3	William A. Lacey .. .. 7
Alan E. Hartley .. .. 4	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. Tenor

Composed by F. Dench. Conducted by William A. Lacey.  
\* First peal in the method. Tenor 12½ cwt.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

LEYTON, Essex.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Christine Rimmer .. .. Treble	Clive W. Simpson .. .. 5
Susan M. White .. .. 2	Malcolm M. Powell .. .. 6
Julia A. Fellows .. .. 3	Robert E. Hardy .. .. 7
Lorna E. Simpson .. .. 4	John R. Ketteringham .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by John R. Ketteringham.  
A birthday compliment to Julia Fellows.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

GORLESTON-ON-SEA, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

*Arthur C. Cooper .. .. Treble	William B. Duncan .. .. 5
*Juanita McBride .. .. 2	Douglas Mitchell .. .. 6
Stephen F. High .. .. 3	A. William Bird .. .. 7
Henry Tooke .. .. 4	H. William Barrett .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by H. William Barrett.  
\* First peal of Major.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Nancy Robins and John Soanes,  
a former member of the Gorleston company, who were married at  
St. Mary's Church, Brixham, this day.

GREAT YARMOUTH, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Thurs., Aug. 20, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Peter G. W. Newstead .. Treble	H. William Barrett .. .. 5
Trevor N. J. Bailey .. .. 2	William B. Duncan .. .. 6
Peter Kindred .. .. 3	George W. Fletcher .. .. 7
Norman P. J. Cossey .. .. 4	Edwin R. Goate .. .. Tenor

Composed by George H. Cross. Conducted by Edwin R. Goate.  
First peal on the 'Gabriel' eight.

An 87th birthday compliment to 'Billie' Harwood, the G.O.M. of  
St. Nicholas' band.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

CHIPPING NORTON, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of S. Mary-the-  
Virgin.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Andrew Jobson .. .. Treble	Roger M. Heyworth .. .. 5
P. Gerald McIlhone .. .. 2	Robert A. Partridge .. .. 6
Stephen J. Franklin .. .. 3	Andrew J. Howes .. .. 7
Geoffrey K. Cook .. .. 4	Frank Absalom .. .. Tenor

Composed by Henry W. Wilde. Conducted by P. Gerald McIlhone.

THATCHAM, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's One-Part. .. .. Treble	William Butler .. .. 5
William Hibbert .. .. 2	Reginald W. Rex .. .. 6
*William J. Marlow .. .. 3	††John W. T. Hibbert .. .. 7
Marjorie C. Hibbert .. .. 4	†John H. Napper .. .. Tenor

Conducted by William Butler.  
\* First peal 'inside.' † 50th peal. † 25th peal together.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

SUTTON-ON-TRENT, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., July 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Johnson's Variation. .. .. Treble	Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in G.
Grace Burchall .. .. 2	Jack L. Millhouse .. .. 5
Katharine Burchall .. .. 3	William L. Exton .. .. 6
*Anne E. Bateson .. .. 4	Alan R. Baldock .. .. 7
*Christine M. Fuller .. .. 5	Harry Poyner .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.  
\* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Major.

Rung as a compliment to Viscountess Massareene and Ferrard on  
her 91st birthday.

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

On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GAINSBOROUGH LITTLE BOB MAJOR

Richard A. G. Inglis .. Treble	Frank Cooke .. .. 5
P. Mary Beach .. .. 2	Donald J. Beach .. .. 6
David A. Whetton .. .. 3	Peter Nix .. .. 7
George Challans .. .. 4	Herbert T. Rooke .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. Reeves. Conducted by H. T. Rooke.  
First peal in the method on the bells, by the Guild and by all the  
band except the conductor.

Rung as a compliment to the Vicar, the Rev. P. G. Walker, in-  
ducted on March 12th, 1964. Tenor 13½ cwt.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

SHEDFIELD, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

*John H. Stanning .. .. Treble	William H. Riddle .. .. 5
Leopard Stilwell .. .. 2	Michael J. Wake .. .. 6
Betty J. Daysh .. .. 3	E. Winifred Keys .. .. 7
Anne M. Smith .. .. 4	Philip Stevens .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. Burton. Conducted by E. Winifred Keys.  
\* First peal.

Rung as a farewell to the Rev. Eric Staples, shortly leaving for  
Finland.

ALDERMASTON, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., Aug. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Denby P. Murduck .. Treble	Philip G. Murduck .. .. 5
*Bradley Murdock (14) .. 2	Reginald W. Rex .. .. 6
Paul G. Holmes .. .. 3	Geoffrey K. Dodd .. .. 7
Michael S. Holbrook .. 4	Reginald F. Crook .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. Pritchard. Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.  
\* First eight-bell peal 'inside.'

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

WORTLEY, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Leonard.

On Sat., Aug. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

*Andrew King .. .. Treble	*M. Alec Beaumont .. .. 5
Sandra Crossley .. .. 2	*Michael King .. .. 6
Neil Donovan .. .. 3	Michael R. Meadows .. .. 7
*Clive Longden .. .. 4	Richard E. Price .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Richard E. Price.  
\* First peal of Major.

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## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**  
COMPTON BISHOP, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Andrew.  
On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being four extents each of St. Nicholas, St. Martin, St. Simon, Winchendon Place, New Doubles, Huntspill, Reverse Canterbury, Union, Stedman Plain Bob and two of Grandsire.

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb

*Walter S. Rice .. .. Treble	†Harold Hooper .. .. 4
Marjorie Legg .. .. 2	George Prescott .. .. 5
*John Coombs .. .. 3	*Geoffrey Phillips .. .. Tenor

Conducted by George Prescott.

\* First peal in 11 methods. † First in 11 methods 'inside.'

### THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

STOTFOLD, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.  
On Sat., Aug. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents, five callings. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 lb. in G.

*Robert D. Bellamy .. .. Treble	Philip E. Rogers .. .. 4
Verna Rix .. .. 2	A. Ruth Alexander .. .. 5
Anthony H. Smith .. .. 3	D. Richard Sanderson .. Tenor

Conducted by D. Richard Sanderson.

\* First peal attempt. First peal as conductor.

### THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

EXHALL-BY-COVENTRY, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Mon., Aug. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb

John G. Webb .. .. Treble	Ian P. Unsworth .. .. 4
Keith F. Gardner .. .. 2	Malcolm A. Phillips .. .. 5
*Christine L. Mason .. .. 3	Geoffrey Pratt .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey Pratt

\* First peal of Surprise.

A birthday compliment to ringer of 4.

### THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

CLAWTON, Devon.—At the Church of St. Leonard.

On Mon., Aug. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In four methods: One extent of Cambridge Surprise, two each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

Martin L. Howe .. .. Treble	*D. Roy Bould .. .. 4
*Harry Stacey .. .. 2	Cyril S. Jarrett .. .. 5
*Margaret A. Bould .. .. 3	Bernard F. L. Groves .. Tenor

Conducted by Cyril S. Jarrett.

\* First peal in four Minor methods.

### THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

WOODSTON, Huntingdonshire.—At the Church of St. Augustine.

On Sat., June 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Oxford, Kent, St. Clement's, Kent and Oxford, and three extents of Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb.

John M. Roffe .. .. Treble	Roy W. Spencer .. .. 4
Len. Brighton .. .. 2	Frank Boyall .. .. 5
Alfred Waller .. .. 3	Brian Harris .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Brian Harris.

Rung to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the dedication of these bells.

### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

COLCHESTER, Essex.—At the Church of All Saints, Shrub End.

On Thurs., Aug. 20, 1964,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven 720's as follows: (1) Double Court Bob, (2) Cambridge Surprise, (3) Oxford Bob, (4) St. Clement's Bob, (5) Oxford T.B., (6) Kent T.B., (7) Plain Bob.

Peter G. Pitt .. .. Treble	Neil V. Avis .. .. 4
Adrian G. Semken .. .. 2	Harry J. Millatt .. .. 5
Frank G. Oliver .. .. 3	Frank B. Lufkin .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.

### THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

CLIFFORD, Herefordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Fri., July 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 21 methods, being two extents each of St. George, Marchington, Rushall, All Saints, St. Augustine, Fortune, Northrepps, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Grandsire, Hudibras, Old. Seighford, April Day, Kennington, Plain Bob, Campion, St. Columb, Little Aston, Clifford's Pleasure, Reverse Canterbury and Southrepps.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

Colin A. Lewis .. .. Treble	Robert A. Hatcher .. .. 4
*Margaret J. Hope .. .. 2	John W. Hope .. .. 5
W. John Clayton .. .. 3	Danzey Watkins .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Robert A. Hatcher.

\* First peal in 21 methods 'inside.'

Rung half-muffled in memory of Mrs. A. E. Beavan.

LYONSHALL, Herefordshire.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Tues., Aug. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 14 methods, being three extents each of Rushall, All Saints, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Northrepps, Grandsire, Newborough, April Day, Seighford, Plain Bob, Kennington, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, Southrepps and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt.

Robert A. Hatcher .. .. Treble	*Irene Ellsmore .. .. 4
Mrs. E. C. Chandler .. .. 2	John W. Hope .. .. 5
A. Bryan Ellsmore .. .. 3	James Wilce .. .. Tenor

Conducted by John W. Hope.

\* First peal in 14 methods.

### THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

SANDRIDGE, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Leonard.

On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 6½ cwt.

Christina R. Foulkes .. Treble	Barbara M. Goodspeed .. 4
A. Trevor Hawkins .. .. 2	Gerald Penney .. .. 5
Michael D. Frost .. .. 3	Roger D. R. Brown .. Tenor

Conducted by Roger D. R. Brown.

### THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.

BALLYLESSON, Co. Down.—At the Church of Holy Trinity, Drumbo.

On Wed., Aug. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents each of Oxford and Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob (each different). Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb.

John T. Dunwoody .. Treble	†Olive L. Rogers .. .. 4
*Raymond F. Bain .. .. 2	†Harold W. Rogers .. .. 5
†Patricia Rogers .. .. 3	*Christopher H. Rogers .. Tenor

Conducted by John T. Dunwoody.

\* First peal of Minor in three methods. † First of Minor. The conductor has now 'circled' the tower.

### THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ACCRINGTON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Tues., Aug. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In two methods, being one extent of St. Clement's and six of Plain Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.

Michael Bell .. .. Treble	John Parsons .. .. 4
Philip Woods .. .. 2	Roger Leigh .. .. 5
Raymond Helliwell .. 3	Anthony Helliwell .. Tenor

Conducted by Roger Leigh.

### THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

SKEFFINGTON, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Thomas-a-Becket.

On Mon., July 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 ST. THOMAS' DOUBLES

Tenor 9½ cwt.

Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. Treble	Maurice R. A. Kirk .. .. 3
David F. Moore .. .. 2	Rupert A. Clarke .. .. 4
B. Stedman Payne .. .. Treble	Conducted by David F. Moore.

Conducted by David F. Moore.

PACKINGTON, Leicestershire.—At the Church of the Holy Rood.

On Tues., Aug. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in three methods: (1) and (2) Kent Treble Bob, (3) and (4) Single Oxford, (5), (6) and (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in B flat.

Brian G. Warwick .. Treble	Mrs. T. Harris .. .. 4
*Stephen Hall .. .. 2	C. William Hall .. .. 5
†Mary Barrass .. .. 3	Dan S. Pont .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.

\* First peal in three methods. † First peal 'inside.'

### THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

DEEPIING ST. NICHOLAS, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Mon., Aug. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being 11 methods in seven extents: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Beverley and Surfleet Surprise, (3) St. Clement's, Childwall, Double Oxford and Thelwall Colledge Bob, (4) Double Court, (5) Oxford Bob, (6) Kent T.B., (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt. 22 lb. in B. respectively; the last two were rung non-conducted.

*Bernard B. Tyrrell .. Treble	David R. Baxter .. .. 4
Derek J. Jones .. .. 2	Brian Harris .. .. 5
Roger D. Bailey .. .. 3	Raymond H. Daw .. .. Tenor

\* First peal of Minor.

A birthday peal for Ruth Harris, daughter of the 5th ringer. The first five extents were called by the ringers of 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6



**THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
**SAINT BRIDE'S MAJOR.** Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Bridget.  
*On Wed., July 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In six methods: (1) Cambridge S. (2) Oxford T.B. (3) Kent T.B. (4) St. Clement's, (5) Grandsire, (6, 7) Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.  
 \*Nicholas S. Evans .. .. Treble | \*Stephen Fenwick .. .. 4  
 Christine Glastonbury .. .. 2 | Christopher Bainham .. .. 5  
 Rev. Ronald C. Lucas .. .. 3 | Nicholas W. H. Simon .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Nicholas W. H. Simon.

\* First peal.  
 Rung as a compliment to the Rev. Ronald C. Lucas for his ordination as a Deacon on June 29th at Newport Cathedral.

**SAINT BRIDE'S MAJOR.** Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Bridget.  
*On Wed., Aug. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

Being one 240 and 40 six-scores.  
 Thomas E. Hiddins .. Treble | Harold Preece .. .. 4  
 \*D. R. Lynn Jones .. .. 2 | D. Walford Davies .. .. 5  
 William T. Petty .. .. 3 | David L. Hughes .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by William T. Petty.  
 \* First peal 'inside.'

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**STOKE D'ABERNON.** Surrey.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
*On Wed., Aug. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in seven methods: (1) Oxford Bob, (2) Double Oxford Bob, (3) St. Clement's College Bob, (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) Oxford Treble Bob, (6) Kent Treble Bob, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 3 cwt, 3 qr, 11 lb. in E.  
 John R. Ketteringham .. Treble | Lorna E. Simpson .. .. 4  
 Robert C. Kippin .. .. 2 | Clive W. Simpson .. .. 5  
 \*Malcolm M. Powell .. .. 3 | Wilfrid G. Wilson .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Robert C. Kippin.  
 \* First in seven methods.

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
**SAHAM TONEY.** Norfolk.—At the Church of St. George.  
*On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being one extent each of Double Court, Norwich Surprise, Plain Bob, Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's, Kent T.B. and Oxford T.B. Tenor 13½ cwt.  
 Martin Cubitt .. .. Treble | Leslie F. Bailey .. .. 4  
 William Clover .. .. 2 | Thomas E. Spight .. .. 5  
 Henry Tooke .. .. 3 | H. William Barrett .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by H. William Barrett.

**RANWORTH.** Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Helen.  
*On Tues., Aug. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being three extents of Plain Bob, two of Oxford T.B. and two of Kent T.B. Tenor 12½ cwt.  
 Arthur G. Bason .. .. Treble | Nicholas M. Newby .. .. 4  
 Norman P. J. Cossey .. .. 2 | Thomas F. Metcalfe .. .. 5  
 Martin Cubitt .. .. 3 | H. William Barrett .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by H. William Barrett.

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**DORNEY.** Buckinghamshire.—At the Church of St. James.  
*On Tues., Aug. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent each of Ragstone Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Single Oxford Bob, St. Clement's College Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 7½ cwt.  
 John F. Bowler .. .. Treble | Leonard Stilwell .. .. 4  
 Monica M. Blagrove .. .. 2 | William Birmingham .. .. 5  
 William Birmingham jun. .. 3 | Frank T. Blagrove .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Frank T. Blagrove.

**EASTHAMPESTEAD.** Berkshire.—At the Church of SS Michael and Mary Magdalene.  
*On Tues., Aug. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In four methods, viz: (1) Plain Bob, (2) St. Clement's, (3) Plain Bob, (4) Oxford T.B., (5) Plain Bob, (6) Kent T.B., (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt, 2 qr, 17 lb. in A.  
 David A. S. Hawkins .. Treble | Stanley G. Scott .. .. 4  
 Joan A. Rance .. .. 2 | Arthur J. N. Rance .. .. 5  
 Graham C. J. Murrell .. .. 3 | Frank C. Price .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Frank C. Price.  
 In memoriam and as a tribute to the life and work of Albert Arthur Hughes, J.P., of the Whitechapel Bell Foundry, London.

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**PADBURY.** Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
*On Sat., Aug. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In 16 methods, being 120 each of St. Helen, St. Gregory, Newborough, April Day, Litchurch, Little Aston, Old, Clifford's, St. David, Seighford, Wychbold, Dedworth, 240 of Southrepps, 720 Plain Bob and Reverse Canterbury, Morris's and Pitman's 240 Grandsire and 1,440 Grandsire. Tenor 10½ cwt.  
 Garth A. Porter .. .. Treble | Hilary Knight .. .. 4  
 Leonard R. Porter .. .. 2 | Alec Gammon .. .. 5  
 \*Roy H. Jones .. .. 3 | \*John S. Walker .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Roy H. Jones.

\* 25th peal together.  
 Rung as birthday compliments to H.R.H. the Princess Margaret, and Major H. E. Knight, father of the ringer of the fourth.

**SOUTH NEWINGTON.** Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Peter-ad-Vincula.  
*On Sat., Aug. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being one extent each of 42 methods and variations: (1) Stedman, (2) St. Simon, (3) Eynsham, (4) Cassington, (5) St. Albans, (6) Shropham, (7) Elford, (8) St. Martin, (9) St. Leonard, (10) St. Peter, (11) St. Paul, (12) Mitham, (13) Austrey, (14) St. Nicholas, (15) St. Andrew, (16) St. Thomas, (17) St. Giles, (18) Norwich, (19) Shreshill, (20) Winchendon Place, (21) St. John, (22) St. Luke, (23) St. Miles, (24) Walsingham, (25) Ryton, (26) Plain Bob, (27) April Day, (28) Old, (29) Kennington, (30) Besthorpe, (31) Seighford, (32) Norfolk, (33) Dedworth Bob, (34) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, (35) Clifford's Pleasure, (36) St. Columb, (37) Southrepps Pleasure, (38) Costessey, (39) Little Aston, (40) Grandsire, (41) Reverse St. Bartholomew, (42) Northrepps Pleasure. Tenor 8 cwt, 7 lb. in G.  
 \*Mark W. Sayers .. .. Treble | †Ernest G. Jones .. .. 3  
 Barry J. Davies .. .. 2 | Michael W. Coleman .. .. 4  
 Christopher C. Clarke .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Christopher C. Clarke.  
 \*Most Doubles methods to a peal. † Most Doubles to a peal 'inside.'

**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**WANSFORD.** Northamptonshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
*On Fri., June 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 12 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In five methods, being ten extents of Grandsire, eight of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, six of St. Martin's, six of St. Simon's and 12 of Plain Bob (six April Day variation). Tenor 2 cwt, 1 qr, 16 lb.  
 Alfred Waller .. .. Treble | Richard A. Webster .. .. 3  
 Roy W. Spencer .. .. 2 | Frank Sysney .. .. 4  
 Brian Harris .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Brian Harris.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Waller on their 50th wedding anniversary.

**GAYTON.** Northamptonshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
*On Thurs., July 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents, viz: One Double Oxford, three St. Clement's and three Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt, 1 qr, 25 lb.  
 Michael R. Harvey .. Treble | Alan C. Cozens .. .. 4  
 Kenneth D. Perkins .. .. 3 | David Taylor .. .. 5  
 \*Shirley Ruddlesden .. .. 2 | Barrie Hendry .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Barrie Hendry.

\* First peal 'inside.'  
 An engagement compliment to Michael Harvey and Jill Williams.

**GLASTON.** Rutland.—At the Church of St. Andrew.  
*On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent each of Kent T.B., Oxford T.B. and St. Clement's, and two of Single Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt, 1 qr, 22 lb.  
 Harry Barnes .. .. Treble | Jacqueline Downing .. .. 4  
 Ronald Russell .. .. 2 | George H. Roome .. .. 5  
 Richard A. Webster .. .. 3 | James H. Musson .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by James H. Musson.

A 21st birthday compliment for Gerald Reynolds, of Grettton.

**PRESTON.** Rutland.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.  
*On Thurs., Aug. 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents, each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt, 23 lb.  
 John Woolley .. .. Treble | \*Rodney A. Todd .. .. 4  
 Vanessa C. A. Rodrigues .. 2 | \*J. Charles Hudson .. .. 5  
 E. Alan Jacques .. .. 3 | Gerald W. Reynolds .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Gerald W. Reynolds.  
 \* First peal of Minor. First as conductor. First on the recently augmented six.  
 Rung as a compliment to the conductor on the day of his 21st birthday.



## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

HOLT, Wiltshire.—At the Church of St. Katharine.

On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents (four callings).

Tenor 9 cwt, 6 lb. in G.

*Charles Quartley .. .. Treble	†David J. Stillman .. .. 4
Kingsley C. Jones .. .. 2	David L. Nibbs .. .. 5
†Jonathan H. Nibbs .. .. 3	Richard O. Humphries .. Tenor

Conducted by Richard O. Humphries.

\* First peal. † First in the method 'inside.' ‡ First in the method. First of Surprise as conductor.  
Rung as a tribute to Mr. A. A. Hughes.

## THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

EDGEMOND, Shropshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Mon., Aug. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven extents (different callings). Tenor 9 cwt, 3 qr. 12 lb. in G.

*E. Marion Key .. .. Treble	Barnabas G. Key .. .. 4
*George Morrell .. .. 2	†Richard E. Morris .. .. 5
Edward V. Rodenhurst .. 3	†Ian Friend .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Barnabas G. Key.

\* First peal in the method. † 75th peal.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

GOTHAM, Notts.—At the Church of St. Lawrence.

On Tues., Aug. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 11 methods, being two extents Grandsire and four each of Reverse Canterbury, Southrepps, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, St. David, Plain, Kennington, April Day, Seighford and Litchurch. Tenor 7 cwt.

John T. Burnup .. .. Treble	Ruth Blackshaw .. .. 3
C. Raymond Larkin .. .. 2	Maurice W. Harrison .. .. 4

George A. Dawson .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Ruth Blackshaw.

## NORTH MUSKHAM, Notts.—At the Church of St. Wilfrid.

On Tues., Aug. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (five callings). Tenor 13 cwt, 1 qr. 13 lb. in F sharp.

Charles J. Copp .. .. Treble	David D. Parsons .. .. 4
W. Neville Brown .. .. 2	F. William Midwinter .. .. 5
*C. Anthony Parsons .. .. 3	†Vere Hutton .. .. Tenor

Conducted by F. William Midwinter.

\* First peal of Doubles. † First peal at first attempt. First as conductor.

## STAUNTON-IN-THE-VALE, Notts.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Fri., Aug. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents (ten callings). Tenor 9 cwt.

William Midwinter .. Treble	Harold Stevenson .. .. 3
Clarence F. Briggs .. .. 2	Frederick G. Hooper .. .. 4
David D. Parsons .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by Frederick G. Hooper.

## SOUTH COLLINGHAM, Notts.—At the Church of

St. John-the-Baptist.

On Tues., Aug. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In four methods, being two extents Little Aston, six each Reverse Canterbury and Southrepps and 28 Plain Bob.

Tenor 6 cwt, 3 qr. 10 lb.

S. Jane Dowse .. .. Treble	Ruth Blackshaw .. .. 3
F. William Midwinter .. 2	Maurice W. Harrison .. .. 4
C. Raymond Larkin .. .. Tenor	

Conducted by Ruth Blackshaw.

## THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

NEATH, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Thomas.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt, 8 lb. in B flat.

*John Hughes .. .. Treble	*Raymond Hoskin .. .. 4
†John Locke .. .. 2	Edmund Morris .. .. 5
Harry Boyce .. .. 3	Christopher J. Hughes .. Tenor

Conducted by Christopher J. Hughes.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.'

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

LUDGERSHALL, Wiltshire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sun., Aug. 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Tenor 6½ cwt, in A.

William Kewell .. .. Treble	Geoffrey K. Dodd .. .. 4
Christopher H. Smith .. 2	Albert H. Green .. .. 5
Penelope A. Goddard .. .. 3	Frank R. Tonge .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Peter Graham Oliver, son of the Rev. F. C. Oliver, Rector of Ludgershall, and Miss Jenifer Stewart, which took place on August 8th, conducted by the Bishop of Salisbury. Believed to the first peal on the bells.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

WOLVERLEY, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Wed., Aug. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being extents of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Double Oxford Bob, Oxford Bob, Kent T.B., St. Clement's Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt, in G.

Anthony P. White .. .. Treble	Arthur C. Berry .. .. 4
John E. Whittall .. .. 2	Paul Cattermole .. .. 5
Michael J. Uphill .. .. 3	Michael J. Fellows .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Paul Cattermole.

The first peal on the bells since 1925.

Rung to commemorate the Wolverley Charter, granted to the village by King Edgar in 964.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

EASINGWOLD, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist and All Saints.

On Sat., July 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 9 cwt, 3 qr. 5 lb. in A flat.

Harold Walker .. .. Treble	Christopher Groom .. .. 4
David Pearson .. .. 2	Leonard Greenhorn .. .. 5
Margaret Wilkinson .. .. 3	Colin Reeves .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Colin Reeves.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss Jean F. Barnett and Mr. James A. D. Woolford.

## HOLME-ON-SPALDING MOOR, Yorkshire.—At the Church of

All Saints.

On Fri., Aug. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being (1) Cambridge, (2) Kent, (3) Oxford, (4) Plain Bob, (5) Kent, (6) St. Clement's, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt, 3 qr. 10 lb.

Ronald Ducker .. .. Treble	*Howard C. Palmer .. .. 4
*Catherine N. Harrison .. 2	F. Charles Hobson .. .. 5
*Patricia M. Samuel .. .. 3	Richard D. Gibson .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Richard D. Gibson.

\* First peal. First peal as conductor.

Rung for the successful examination results of ringers of 3 and 4.

## MINIMUS PEAL

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

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

On Mon., Aug. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINIMUS

In five methods, being one Reverse Bob, 29 Double Canterbury, 60 each Plain Bob, Double Bob and Reverse Canterbury.

Tenor 7 cwt.

Garth A. Porter .. .. Treble	*Hilary Knight .. .. 3
*Leonard R. Porter .. .. 2	Roy H. Jones .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Roy H. Jones.

\* First peal of Minimus. First in five for the band.

Rung for the festival of St. Bartholomew.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

KIRBY-LE-SOKEN, Essex.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Wed., Aug. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 13 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor size 13½ in E flat.

*Gillian R. Brown .. .. 1—2	Walter Ayre (cond.) .. 3—4
*Urban W. Wildnsy .. .. 5—6	

\* First peal 'in hand,' and first attempt.

Memories for the conductor, of August week, 1914, at Surfleet.

A sincere appreciation of the life, work and statesmanship of the Rt. Hon. Sir Winston S. Churchill, O.M., on his retirement from Parliament.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BUSHEY, Hertfordshire.—At 5, Moat Close.

On Wed., Aug. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In six methods, comprising 1,440 each of London and Rutland, 800 Bristol, and 480 each of Cambridge, Superlative and Yorkshire with 129 changes of method.

Tenor size 13 in F.

S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. 1—2	Roger Baldwin .. .. 5—6
John R. Mayne .. .. 3—4	*Gerald Penney .. .. 7—8

Composed and Conducted by Roger Baldwin.

\* First peal of six-spliced on handbells. First peal of Surprise Major on handbells as conductor.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

HARROW, Middlesex.—At 170, Headstone Lane.

On Fri., Aug. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor size 24 in D sharp.

Thomas J. Lock .. .. 1—2	John R. Mayne .. .. 5—6
Christopher W. Woolley .. 3—4	Frank C. Price .. .. 7—8

Composed by JOSEPH W. PARKER. Conducted by JOHN R. MAYNE.



# RINGS OF FOUR IN SHROPSHIRE

By P. R. JOHNSON

Having done a little research into the smaller rings of bells in Shropshire, I would like to give my experiences. Some of the rings are mentioned in Dove, a few are not.

**Acton Burnell, St. Michael (4).** Here there is a wooden Barwell frame, probably put in when the back two were recast. The 2nd was cast by T. Clibury in 1651, and 3, 4 were by Barwell in 1889. The tenor weighs 5-1-14. The treble is, I believe, unscrubed. I have no information as to their condition.

**Baschurch, All Saints (4).** These were recast by Taylor about 1912, and put back into what was probably the old frame, which contains pits for six bells. The tenor weighs about 12 cwt. The ropes fall in a straight line across the belfry, and the bells 'go' well considering that they are rarely rung. The tone is good, and the Vicar is only too glad to have them rung.

**Bourton, Holy Trinity (4).** These are all by A. Rudhall in 1700, one year after the four at Bobbington, in Staffordshire. The tenor weighs about 2 cwt. The Vicar is very reluctant to give permission for ringing, believing that the wooden tower would not stand the strain. This is probably untrue. However, the tenor stay is so long that it catches on the clock hammer, which cannot be pulled off so, unless a bit of work was done, the bells could not be rung. The wheels and frame are quite sound.

**Cardington, St. James (4).** Here again, the bells are supposed to be unsafe, owing to the condition of the frame, which is an old triangular one. The treble and the 3rd are by Barwell in 1887, the 2nd either W. or T. Clibury, in 1626 and the tenor by A. Rudhall in 1752. I very much doubt whether permission could be obtained to ring them, but the tower certainly could not be blamed for this, as it is easily big enough to accommodate quite a large ten. The ropes here fall in a straight line.

**Diddlebury (4).** These were cast by J. Martin, of Worcester between 1665 and 1670, and rehung about 1910. They form Nos. 1, 2, 4, 5 of a ring of five, and 'go' quite well. They are rung only by the very few visitors they receive, but are in good condition. There are pits for six bells. The tenor weighs about 12 cwt.

**Ditton Priors (4).** Here the two trebles are unscrubed, and obviously old bells; the 3rd was by Clibury and the tenor by Charles Carr, of Smethwick. They are hung in a large wooden frame, with a slantwise part in the middle for the tenor. I can see no reason for this. The tenor weighs about 8 cwt. The Vicar will not allow ringing, and it is not hard to see why; the wheels are in an advanced stage of decay, and the wooden tower would probably not stand the strain of ringing bells anyway.

**Hopesay, St. Mary (4).** The front three are by John Rudhall in 1822, and the tenor, which weighs about 5 cwt., by J. Finch, of Hereford, in 1862. The bells here are hung dead.

**Hughley (4).** Cast by A. Rudhall in 1701. The tenor weighs about 4 cwt., but I have no other information as to their condition.

**Kemberton (4).** The treble was cast by T. Clibury in 1671, the 2nd by A. Rudhall in 1735, the 3rd by H. Oldfield and the tenor (about 7 cwt.) by W. Clibury. The ropes fall in a straight line. The bells are ringable, but the wheels are somewhat rotten and the clappers are very loose. This makes them seem as if the bearings are octagonal.

**Munslow, St. Michael (4).** Treble by R. Oldfield in 1632. Second by T. Mears in 1822. Third is an old bell cast around 1450, and the tenor is by W. Clibury in 1623; it weighs about 12 cwt. The bell is supposed to be unringable.

**Onibury, St. Michael (4).** The treble is by J. Rudhall in 1824. The 2nd and 3rd are 14th century and the tenor, which weighs about 6 cwt., is by H. Clibury. There is an old triangular frame, dated 1626. The architect has pronounced judgment upon the tower, so there is very little likelihood of the



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bells being rung again, unless the tower is strengthened.

**Stoke St. Milborough, the Priory Church of St. Milburgha (4).** The treble is by W. Clibury in 1622, and the rest are by T. Clibury in 1637. The wheels are falling apart, and the fittings are generally in very bad shape. The bells are chimed in Minimus, with some short pieces of rope tied to the clappers. The tenor weighs about 10 cwt.

**Stottesdon, St. Mary (4).** Originally a Rudhall five in 1752. The 2nd became cracked and was sold to defray the expenses during the first world war. The tenor weighs about 9 cwt., and the bells are swing-chimed for service.

**Wentnor.** Dove gives this as a ring of four, but the front three have disappeared. They were originally hung 'dead,' and the remaining bell is probably just for the clock to chime on.

If anyone is interested in rings of three in Shropshire, they are invited to write to Philip R. Johnson, 3, Lansdowne Avenue, Codsall, Staffs. Can anyone supply me with information on rings of three and four in Staffordshire, as I hope to supplement the above list by Staffordshire rings of four in the near future.

## PROSPECTS BRIGHT IN AUSTRALIA

The Australian ringing scene is constantly changing and improving, reports the current issue of 'Ringing Towers'. There are new bells (10) at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney; recast bells at Bendigo; rehung and retuned bells at Melbourne; restored bells at Adelaide Town Hall. For the future, a tower at Bathurst Cathedral for 1970, the centenary of the diocese, for six bells lying idle; rehanging at Ballarat, including the two trebles at present hung dead; possible rehanging and augmentation to eight at Parramatta.

**RIPPLE, WORCS.**—On Aug. 24th, 1,260 Reverend St. Bartholomew Doubles: Judith A. Robertson 1, P. Robertson 2, P. Brett (first in method) 3, M. Hawkes 4, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 5, M. Boskett 6. For the Feast of St. Bartholomew.

**WALKINGTON, E. YORCS.**—On Aug. 26th, 1,296 Minor (Kent, Oxford, St. Clement's, Plain and Little Bob): Patricia Teal 1, Eileen Haynes 2, R. Ducker 3, Joan Grey 4, R. D. Gibson 5, J. S. Rank (cond.) 6.

## RING OF TEN FOR SYDNEY CATHEDRAL

An anonymous gift of £10,000 has been made to St. Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney, for the purpose of installing a ring of bells in memory of the donor's late husband.

'Ringing Towers' states that it understands that for some time the Cathedral authorities have been considering acquiring a ring and had a certain amount of money in hand. The bequest meant that they could go ahead, and John Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, have secured the order for a ring of 10 bells, with tenor of 29 cwt.

Comments 'Ringing Towers': This is wonderful news. A ring of ten in the heart of Sydney.

## SUFFOLK GUILD

A quarterly meeting of the N.E. District was held at Aldeburgh on August 15th. Ringing took place in the afternoon and evening. The Rev. R. J. Stanford, of Friston, conducted a short service, followed by a business meeting, presided over by the chairman, Mr. R. Bickers.

Next meeting: Saxmundham and Benhall, Saturday, November 21st. M. B.

## JOINT MEETING AT ROYSTON

Good relations between the Southern District of the Yorkshire Association and the Barnsley District Society were maintained at a very enjoyable joint meeting held at Royston on August 8th, with ringing also taking place at Felkirk and Barnsley.

The proceedings were not entirely uneventful as ringing on the six at Royston took place minus a stay in the treble, the fifth stay fell out at Felkirk and a rope broke at Barnsley after the bells had been lowered. After tying the second rope to the rope down to the church, John Seager tugged at it to test his handiwork, the rope broke, so did his spectacles and he finished splicing and threading the rope through a complicated route just in time to miss getting some well-earned liquid refreshment.

Miss Sheila Connery, of the local company, was in charge of catering and kept up the high standard of the Barnsley Society in that direction. Tea was followed by the Southern District's quarterly business meeting and at this stage members welcomed Rev. J. E. K. Law, Vicar of Royston, who kindly undertook the duties of chairman and opened the meeting with prayers.

Ten new members were elected: K. J. Hesketh, Liverpool; D. J. Llewellyn, Bury; W. R. Parker, Lincoln; Miss Margaret Whyte and Miss Pat Stafford, Sheffield; Harold Johnson, Adwick-le-Street; Rev. N. Webb, curate of Royston; P. S. Wood, Bradford; Miss Joan Book and John Hiner, Rawmarsh.

It was proposed that the next quarterly meeting be held at Handsworth on November 21st. The sum of 19s. 6d. was collected for the Bell Repair Fund. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks by Mr. R. J. Sandersen to all concerned in this successful meeting, which was seconded by Mr. J. Seager.

J. J. L. G.

## ANTONY R. KENCH'S 100 PEALS

With the peal of Yorkshire S. Royal at St. Mary's, Nottingham, on August 22nd, Antony R. Kench has completed 100 peals. They have been rung for 17 Societies, Associations and Guilds, with 188 ringers and 26 conductors, and consist of:

Cinques.—Stedman 3, Grandsire 2.  
Royal.—Cambridge S. 4, Yorkshire S. 2, Pudsey S. 1, Spliced S. (2 methods) 1, Plain Bob 2.

Caters.—Stedman 4, Grandsire 7 (conducted 1).

Major.—Surprise 32 (including 3 spliced, 4 spliced and 19 different methods) (3). Treble Bob 2 (1). Double Norwich 3 (1). Little Bob 1. Plain Bob 11 (including 2 'in hand') (4).

Triples.—Stedman 1, Plain Bob 3 (1). Minor.—Sunnyside 7-20 methods) 7. London S. 1, 3-13 methods 10. Plain Bob 1 (1).

Doubles.—Stedman 1, Grandsire 1. Total.—100 (conducted 12).



## LONG LENGTH

**ST. NICHOLAS-AT-WADE, KENT.**—On Aug. 22nd, 2,280 Plain Bob Minor: A. E. Davies 1, Felicity Webber 2, M. Ostler 3, C. W. J. Beeching 4, D. L. Cawley 5, F. C. W. Knight (cond.) 6. A peal attempt called round owing to the indisposition of one of the band.

**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—On Aug. 16th, 1,320 Doubles (seven methods): J. Preston (first of Doubles away from tenor) 1, C. H. Macve 2, Margaret C. Godfrey 3, E. G. H. Godfrey 4, A. M. Macve (cond.) 5. First of Doubles in seven methods by all the band.

**APPLETON, BERKS.**—On Aug. 18th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: W. F. Judge 1, E. Drewitt 2, J. Hibbert 3, N. Leslie 4, A. Pink 5, F. Sharpe 6, D. Leslie 7, B. R. White (cond.) 8, F. A. White 9, E. J. Smith 10. Rung half-muffled in memoriam A. A. Hughes.

**ASH, SURREY.**—On Aug. 16th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Angela Smart 1, Susan Brown (first 'inside') 2, Joan Reyner 3, Angela Hawes 4, S. Russell 5, P. Smart (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**BALDUCK, HERTS.**—On August 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: M. Hutton 1, S. Hutton 2, D. Salisbury 3, A. Buck 4, E. Buck (cond.) 5, D. Sutcliffe 6, M. Orme 7, J. Dear 8.

**BARNET, HERTS.**—On June 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Adcock (first quarter) 1, Celia Lawrence 2, M. J. Soper 3, J. Sims 4, P. Cuckson (first quarter) 5, G. H. Austin 6, C. Ward 7, R. Derry (first quarter) 8. For the Patronal Festival.

**BERRICK SALOME, OXON.**—On July 23rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: R. Aldridge 1, E. Aldridge 2, S. Heyworth 3, C. Adam (cond.) 4, G. McIlhone 5, R. Coe 6. First quarter 1, 2, 3, 6.

**BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.**—At St. Nicholas' Church, on Aug. 23rd, 1,296 Plain Bob Major: D. Hunns 1, V. Sheppard 2, S. Armstrong 3, Pamela Gough 4, B. Stone 5, D. Snowsell 6, A. Bond 7, J. Baldwin (comp. 2nd cond.) 8. For Evensong, and in memoriam A. A. Hughes.

**BROADWELL, GLOS.**—On August 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: L. C. Dowdeswell 1, F. Bowen 2, A. Shillam 3, W. Jones 4, J. J. Webb (cond.) 5. Believed to be the first quarter on the bells.

**CANFORD MAGNA, DORSET.**—On Aug. 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Janet A. Fawcett 1, Sandra M. Pitman (12 years) 2, Jean M. Pitman 3, W. J. Foot 4, H. I. Pitman (cond.) 5, T. Hiscock 6. First quarter 3 and 6.

**CANNOCK, STAFFS.**—On Aug. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. D. R. Smith (first of Triples) 1, G. Bradbury 2, Miss L. Roberts 3, C. Collins (first of Triples) 4, H. Butler 5, R. W. Barker 6, P. J. Barker (cond.) 7, D. Baker 8.

**CHELSEFIELD, KENT.**—On August 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Ann Galloway (first quarter) 1, Jennifer Wright (first quarter) 2, Jennifer Payne 3, Hilary Martin 4, R. W. Hinde 5, D. C. Manger (cond.) 6. For Evensong; also on August 13th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Ann Blatcher 1, Jennifer Payne 2, Hilary Martin 3, J. D. Faircloth 4, D. C. Manger (cond.) 5, R. W. Hinde 6. Rung half muffled in memory of Mrs. M. Payne, mother of the ringer of the second.

**CHEWTON MENDIP, SOMERSET.**—On Aug. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. Smith 1, Barbara Wyld 2, T. Stephens 3, G. Marchant 4, C. T. Clarke 5, M. J. Stone 6, B. J. Wyld (cond.) 7, G. Burge 8.

**CROSCOMBE, SOMERSET.**—On Aug. 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. Hull (cond.) 1, H. Scull 2, S. G. Atwell 3, H. Smith 4, C. Scull 5, R. Talbot 6. A golden wedding compliment to Mr. W. Davis, churchwarden and bellringer at this church for over 40 years, and Mrs. Davis.

**CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.**—On Aug. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Ford 1, Miss R. A. Stevens 2, R. V. Johnson 3, W. Harrison 4, J. Jeffery 5, H. Burton 6, F. F. Godsmark (cond.) 7, E. Brett 8. For Evensong, and a farewell to the Rev. A. E. T. Hobbs, assistant curate, who is to be Vicar of Staplefield.

**DAGENHAM, ESSEX.**—On Aug. 23rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. M. Hall 1, Mrs. R. L. Armstrong 2, P. J. Bloomfield 3, R. E. Copleston 4, J. Armstrong (cond.) 5, A. B. Cox 6. First quarter 1, 3, 4 and 6. For Evensong.

**DUNSTABLE, BEDS.**—On Aug. 22nd, 1,504 Yorkshire Surprise Major: J. R. Ketteringham 1, A. T. Hawkins 2, Lorna E. Simpson 3, C. W. Simpson 4, B. B. Hullah 5, L. J. North 6, G. B. Thompson 7, R. E. Hardy (cond.) 8. A 21st birthday compliment to Theresa M. Rose, of Stanmore.

## QUARTER PEALS

**EDINBURGH, MIDLOTHIAN.**—On Aug. 8th, at St. Cuthbert's Church, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss M. Douglas 1, Miss K. A. Rivett 2, P. J. Hall (first quarter of Triples) 3, Miss K. M. H. Branson and M. J. Marriott (cond.) 5, Miss M. A. B. Wilson 6, R. S. Wilson 7, M. M. Peterson 8.

**ELSTON, NOTTS.**—On Aug. 15th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: R. Blackshaw 1, R. Larkin 2, P. Else 3, M. W. Harrison 4, G. Dawson (cond.) 5, S. Adams 6.

**EPSOM COMMON, SURREY.**—On Aug. 16th, 1,440 Single Oxford Bob Minor: D. J. K. Paul 1, Adrienne Gibson 2, W. Parrott 3, R. E. Fentiman 4, Rev. N. D. J. Webb 5, D. J. Herschell (cond.) 6. For Evensong, and as a welcome to the Clare Linda Stockman, daughter of the ringer of the fifth. First in method by all the band.

**FAREHAM, HANTS.**—On Aug. 19th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: G. Jupe (first quarter) 1, P. Page 2, F. W. Mitchell 3, R. Sturgess 4, J. M. Tyack 5, B. J. Daysh (first on tenor) 6, G. F. Miles 7, S. A. Scott 8, A. H. Sturgess (cond.) 9, J. W. Stevenson 10. Rung half-muffled in memoriam William Linter.

**FILTON, GLOS.**—On August 14th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. Huddleston 1, B. Huddleston 2, A. Howard 3, D. Huddleston 4, A. Tubb 5, D. J. Hunt (cond.) 6. First of Surprise 1, 2, 3 and 4.

**HAYES, KENT.**—On July 12th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: H. Mavis Brown 1, J. W. Smith 2, C. H. Cook 3, J. E. Cannell 4, D. P. Smith 5, I. V. J. Smith (cond.) 6. First of Cambridge 1 and 3. For Evensong.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On Aug. 16th, 1,320 Bob Doubles: A. King and G. Marsh 1, R. Blackshaw 2, J. Dowse 3, M. W. Harrison and R. Marsh 4, R. Larkin (cond.) 5. For Evensong.

**HOLSWORTHY, DEVON.**—On Aug. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. Sangwin (cond.) 1, Elisabeth Tutty 2, R. G. Pearce 3, Margaret E. Chilton 4, C. Sangwin 5, A. E. Chilton 6, H. Stacey 7, H. Heard 8.

**JARROW, CO. DURHAM.**—On Aug. 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Gillian Douglas 1, M. Maughan 2, J. Crowther 3, A. G. Craddock 4, W. Davidson 5, R. A. Yeates (cond.) 6.

**KIDLINGTON, OXON.**—On August 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Shirley Brown 1, W. F. Judge 2, N. Leslie 3, E. R. Venn 4, C. C. Clarke 5, F. A. White 6, B. R. White (cond.) 7, E. Smith 8.

**KILKHAMPTON, CORNWALL.**—On Aug. 21st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Elizabeth A. Tutty 1, D. Beaufoy (first of Stedman Triples) 2, A. E. Chilton 3, C. S. Jarrett 4, Margaret A. Chilton 5, B. Groves 6, T. J. Setter (cond.) 7, G. Lee (first of Stedman Triples) 8.

**KIRK ELLA, E. YORKS.**—On Aug. 8th, 1,300 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Tucker (first quarter) 1, V. M. Kirk (first 'inside') 2, K. Kirk 3, H. C. Palmer (cond.) 4, M. J. Wilson 5, I. N. Goldthorpe 6. Also on Aug. 16th, 1,440 Oxford Treble Bob Minor: M. J. Wilson 1, P. Samuel 2, K. Kirk 3, H. C. Palmer 4, A. B. Cooper 5, D. S. Johnson (cond.) 6. First in method 2 and 4. Also on Aug. 23rd, 1,440 London Surprise Minor: I. N. Goldthorpe 1, H. C. Palmer 2, G. K. Smith 3, F. C. Hobson 4, I. G. Campbell 5, D. S. Johnson (cond.) 6. First of London on the bells and by all the band. For Evensong.

**LANCHESTER, CO. DURHAM.**—On Aug. 16th, 1,260 Plain and St. Clement's Bob Minor: J. Thompson 1, A. Taylor 2, R. A. Yeates 3, D. Applegarth 4, A. G. Craddock (cond.) 5, M. Maughan 6.

**LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.**—On Aug. 16th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: M. T. Symonds (cond.) 1, S. Smith 2, F. Hunt 3, C. Poulson 4, F. Borcham 5, A. R. Knight 6, R. Chambers 7, W. Jarvis 8. Last ring on the bells before rehanging and the installation of a new frame. Rung for Evensong.

**LEIGHTON BUZZARD, BEDS.**—On Aug. 8th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Avril Ivin 1, Nina Thomas 2, Christine Smith 3, M. Amy Coburn 4, R. Woodruff 5, R. J. Sharp 6, R. Churchill 7, J. W. Sinfield 8, A. E. Ruston (cond.) 9, J. Marks 10. First on ten 2, 3 and 7. Rung to mark Mr. H. B. Whitney's completion of 40 years service as a ringer at this church.

**LICHFIELD, STAFFS.**—On Aug. 2nd, at the Cathedral, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Lucy Smith 1, Ann Barr 2, Penelope Sedgwick 3, Marlene E. Townsend 4, C. W. Bowen (first on ten) 5, J. B. Webb 6, F. A. Sedgwick 7, B. J. Townsend 8, E. Malin 9, C. M. Smith (cond.) 10. For morning service.

**LONDON.**—At St. John's, Waterloo, Road, on Aug. 16th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: B. Collison 1, T. E. Sone 2, Miss K. Guy 3, C. Cook 4, T. Lewis 5, J. W. Smith 6, D. P. Smith 7, E. J. Ladd (cond.) 8. First of Cambridge S.M. 4 and 5. For Evensong.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes', on July 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Miss J. Foster 1, S. Penfold 2, J. Carrott 3, Miss J. Peacock 4, F. G. Richardson 5, M. Bland 6, A. Grainger 7, P. Wilkinson 8, C. Pain 9, F. V. Gart (cond.) 10. For Matins. Also on Aug. 16th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: P. J. Spice 1, T. E. Sone (cond.) 2, E. J. Ladd 3, B. Collison 4, C. Cook 5, Miss K. Guy 6, J. W. Smith 7, T. Lewis 8, D. P. Smith 9, Miss D. E. Colgate 10. First of Grandsire Caters 6 and 8. For Evensong, also in memoriam A. A. Hughes. Also on Aug. 23rd, 1,296 Erin Caters: Sally Cobb 1, P. Chapman 2, D. Ellidson 3, R. Chapman 4, R. D. Tomlin 5, D. Hewitt 6, F. V. Gart (cond.) 7, R. Durrant 8, D. Cobb 9, C. Wright 10. For Evensong.

**LONDON.**—At the Imperial Institute, on Aug. 4th, 1,287 Siedman Caters: J. Phillips (cond.) 1, C. Kippin 2, R. Cousins 3, W. Rawlings 4, J. Armstrong 5, J. Lott 6, R. Meadows 7, D. Darby 8, D. Randall 9, B. Baker 10. Rung in honour of the birthday of H.R.H. Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother.

**LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICS.**—At the Bell Foundry Campanile, on Aug. 17th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: A. Johnson 1, M. Heymann 2, Ann E. Fellows 3, D. Midgley 4, Ruth Gay 5, J. Queen 6, R. Gay 7, P. Gay (first on eight as cond.) 8. First of Major 2 and 5.

**LOWER STRENSHAM, WORCS.**—On July 11th, 1,440 Minor (Single Oxford, Plain Bob): Janet Evenden (first quarter) 1, J. Clements (cond.) 2, J. Stanier 3, J. Slater 4, P. Warren 5, G. Evenden 6. A wedding compliment to Ruth Simon and George Morris, of Malvern.

**MANSTON, DORSET.**—On Aug. 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: C. N. Dalton (first away from tenor) 1, Ruth A. Elmes 2, G. W. Elmes (cond.) 3, Mary E. Elmes 4, J. W. Blackwood 5.

**MARLBOROUGH, WILTS.**—On July 17th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: R. H. Green 1, J. H. Stanning (first 'inside') 2, A. W. Johnson 3, A. E. Cook 4, A. G. Keen 5, R. A. G. Inglis (cond.) 6. Also on Aug. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Geraldine G. Hodge (first attempt quarter) 1, Rev. R. Keeley 2, Mrs. M. C. Brown 3, J. A. W. Fuller 4, A. W. Johnson (cond.) 5, M. P. Cooper 6. A farewell to the treble ringer, on her departure to Singapore.

**MARSHFIELD, MON.**—On July 28th, 1,324 Plain Bob Major: C. Ricketts (first quarter) 1, Miss P. Welch 2, Miss C. Glastonbury 3, Rev. R. C. Lucas 4, C. Bainham 5, R. J. Waters (first on eight) 6, D. J. Llewellyn 7, M. Pilgrim (first on eight as cond.) 8. Rung for the induction of the Rev. A. K. James as Vicar. (Correction.)

**MILTON ERNEST, BEDS.**—On July 26th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: J. Ames 1, Miss K. A. Rivett 2, Miss M. R. Field 3, F. W. Rivett 4, J. B. Long 5, M. J. Marriott (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled for the memorial service to the late churchwarden.

**NAILSEA, SOMERSET.**—On Aug. 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Strong 1, J. Yeates 2, C. Kortright 3, L. Derrick (cond.) 4, H. Hardwidge 5, L. Childs (first on tenor) 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Albert Arthur Hughes.

**NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE.**—At St. George's Church, Jesmond, on August 16th, 1,260 Doubles (10 variations): J. P. L. Pardoe (12) 1, J. G. White 2, R. A. Yeates 3, S. J. Pardoe 4, A. G. Craddock (cond.) 5, P. R. Martin 6. Most variations by all except conductor. For Holy Eucharist.

**NEWTON NOTTAGE, PORTHCAWL, GLAM.**—On Aug. 15th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: T. Rodrick 1, G. Lewis 2, Christine Glastonbury (first of Stedman Triples) 3, Mary Pryor 4, M. Pilgrim (first of Stedman Triples) 5, J. Pryor 6, T. Yeomans (cond.) 7, T. Pett 8. With good wishes to Mary Pryor, who is starting her nursing career at Malvern, Worcestershire.

**NUTFIELD, SURREY.**—On Aug. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss D. M. Bird 1, Miss N. Kempshall 2, H. L. Hatfield 3, T. H. Bird 4, W. Dunn (cond.) 5, K. R. Richardson 6. For Evensong.



## HALF PEALS

**CHEW STOKE, SOMERSET.**—On Aug. 29th, 2,520 Minor (Cambridge, Kent and Plain Bob): Ruth Gay 1, A. Howard 2, M. Heymann 3, A. Tubb 4, S. Woodcock 5s, P. Gay (cond.) 6.

**UPPER ARLEY, WORCS.**—On Aug. 5th, 2,520 Bob Minor: E. Bick 1, M. J. Fellows 2, J. E. Whitall 3, A. C. Berry 4, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 5, P. Catermole 6. A peal attempt called round when the clapper showed signs of falling out of the third bell.

**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—On Aug. 22nd, 1,440 Killamarsh Treble Bob Minor: J. Preston (first of T.B.) 1, Katherine M. Guy 2, Carol Cousins 3, Margaret C. Godfrey 4, E. G. H. Godfrey 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6. First in the method by all.

**BROUGHTON, LANCs.**—On Aug. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. Crossthwaite 1, K. Martin 2, Margaret Crossthwaite 3, Sylvia Martin (first quarter) 4, J. Jolley 5, P. Crossthwaite (first as cond.) 6.

**CLECKHEATON, YORKS.**—On Aug. 1st, 1,236 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. Ward 1, A. D. Sansom 2, F. Shallcross 3, D. G. Wilford 4, J. Meredith 5, M. Orme 6. Rung by the Rumbling Ringers on tour.

**GOTHAM, NOTTS.**—On Aug. 24th, 1,320 Reverse St. Bartholomew's Bob Doubles: J. Dawson 1, J. T. Burnup 2, D. Surman 3, D. Osbourne 4, G. A. Dawson (cond.) 5. On St. Bartholomew's Day. First quarter in the method by all.

**GREAT BROMLEY, ESSEX.**—On Aug. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Joy Munson 1, A. W. Cole 2, Susan Wenden 3, Janet Semken 4, F. H. Erith 5, A. G. Semken (cond.) 6. A compliment to Mr. A. W. Cole, captain of this tower, on his 89th birthday.

**KEYNSHAM, SOMERSET.**—On Aug. 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Valerie E. Stock (first of Minor) 1, A. Perry 2, R. E. G. Smith 3, R. M. Virgin 4, E. C. Williams (first quarter) 5, J. W. Owen (cond.) 6.

**LEIGH, SURREY.**—On Aug. 24th, 1,260 Reverse St. Bartholomew Doubles: C. J. N. Dalton 1, K. G. Game 2, E. Jarrett 3, A. Stretcher 4, E. Nixon (cond.) 5, S. S. Lucas (first quarter) 6. First in the method 2 and 4. For the Patronal Festival.

**UTTERY ST. MARY, DEVON.**—On Aug. 22nd, 1,386 Grandsire Triples: Margaret Retter 1, C. J. Turner 2, K. T. Clarke 3, Mrs. G. E. Retter 4, J. Arbury 5, G. E. Retter 6, C. C. Turner (cond.) 7, C. C. Deem 8. A 60th birthday compliment to C. J. Turner, tower captain.

**OXFORD.**—At St. Mary Magdalene, on July 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Porter 1, Miss J. Woodman 2, D. Oliver 3, Miss F. M. Bird 4, N. D. Deam (cond.) 5. For the Patronal Festival Evensong.

**PATRINGTON, E. YORKS.**—On Aug. 24th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: R. Ducker 1, G. K. Smith 2, H. Rodmell 3, D. S. Johnson 4, F. C. Hobson 5, J. S. Rank 6, J. Hobson 7, R. D. Gibson (cond.) 8. Rung in memory of David A. Fewster, a ringer at this church for many years.

**FIDDLEHINTON, DURSET.**—On Aug. 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: Maxine Lush 1, J. Porter 2, J. Vardy 3, P. Hettrbert 4, E. Amey (cond.) 5, K. Brockway (first quarter) 6. Rung to celebrate the birth of Daniel Herbert, July 28th.

## QUARTER PEALS

**RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.**—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss J. Griffiths (first of Triples) 1, A. House 2, M. Hallett (cond.) 3, F. May 4, C. Belcham 5, R. Tomlin 6, D. Belcham 7, W. Ward 8. For Evensong.

**ROUGHAM, SUFFOLK.**—On July 5th, 1,260 Kent T.B. and Plain Bob: L. Wright 1, E. Iving 2, R. Rose 3, L. Nice 4, E. Nice 5, M. Rose (cond.) 6.

**ST. DAVID'S, PEMES.**—At the Cathedral, on Aug. 17th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: Susan Jones 1, D. S. Bishop 2, C. Ricketts 3, N. W. H. Simon 4, R. J. H. Simon 5, E. S. Thomas 6, A. Boorman 7, S. M. Bailey (cond.) 8.

**SIDBURY, DEVON.**—On July 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. C. Woodley 1, Mrs. R. C. Woodley 2, Mrs. G. Retter 3, R. C. Woodley (cond.) 4, A. Chown 5, K. Clarke 6, G. Retter 7, A. Holway 8. A birthday compliment to treble ringer.

**SILSOE, BEDS.**—On August 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. G. Harris (first of Minor, 13 years) 1, I. Bell (first inside, 12 years) 2, T. R. Harris (14 years) 3, P. J. Lawton 4, W. F. Eyden 5, T. P. Harris (cond.) 6. Rung for Evensong.

**SLOUGH, BUCKS.**—On August 16th, 1,282 Cambridge Surprise Royal: A. J. Glass 1, J. K. Ward (cond.) 2, F. R. Scott 3, Elizabeth T. Birmingham 4, Pamela M. Jervis 5, F. T. Blagrove 6, T. G. Pett 7, G. R. Shedden 8, W. Birmingham 9, D. P. Hilling 10. First of Cambridge Royal 4 and 7.

**SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.**—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. G. Warwick 1, June E. Wood (first 'inside') 2, D. W. Stenson 3, A. R. Mildred 4, M. G. Wood 5, K. H. Mildred (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also on Aug. 9th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: D. W. Stenson (first Surprise Major) 1, A. R. Mildred (first S. Major 'inside') 2, B. G. Warwick (cond.) 3, Carol I. V. Corton (first Cambridge Major) 4, Mrs. B. G. Warwick 5, J. A. Acres 6, R. K. Stretton 7, K. H. Mildred 8. For Evensong. Also on Aug. 16th, 1,320 Doubles (three methods): N. W. Grassby 1, B. G. Warwick 2, Carol I. V. Corton (cond.) 3, D. W. Stenson 4, R. K. Stretton 5, M. P. Brown 6. For Evensong.

**STANTON DREW, SOMERSET.**—On Aug. 24th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: E. Lee 1, A. Perry 2, Monica Horseman 3, M. Heymann 4, J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 5. First in the method 2 and 4.

**TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.**—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse St. Bartholomew, Grandsire) (7, 6, 8 covering): R. L. Coles (13, first on treble) 1, Jean Lee 2, I. M. Cox (13, first in two methods) 3, A. F. Lee 4, D. A. Burt (cond.) 5, G. Tunnell (12, first quarter) 6, J. Thompson (12) 7, M. J. Hawkins (14) 8. Rung as a wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. W. Burt.

**TEWKESBURY, GLOS.**—At the Abbey Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, on Aug. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Anne Broxton 1, P. S. Robertson 2, Nadine Price 3, Judith A. Robertson (cond.) 4, A. F. Halling 5, M. Hawkes 6, R. G. W. Robertson 7, M. Boskett 8. For Evensong.

**WHITTLEBURY, NORTHANTS.**—On Aug. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: G. Kingston 1, Pauline Kingston 2, Daphne Webb 3, J. Linnell 4, C. E. Truman (cond.) 5. First 'inside' 2 and 3.

**WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.**—On Aug. 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss J. Gamble (first quarter) 1, D. W. Wright (first in method 'inside') 2, P. D. Chapman 3, D. Hewitt (cond.) 4, C. Wright 5, K. Warner 6, A. Boyack 7, J. Rixon 8. For Evensong.

**WANTAGE, BERKS.**—On Aug. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Stoter 1, A. E. Fullbrook 2, H. V. Booker 3, K. Leach (cond.) 4, I. Stoter 5, H. White 6, J. White 7, D. Stoter 8. For Evensong, and a compliment to Gillian Bailey, on the occasion of her 21st birthday. First quarter together by David, Ian and Graham Stoter.

**WELDON, NORTHANTS.**—On July 18th, 1,260 Doubles (nine methods): R. D. Marriott 1, R. Russell 2, E. A. Jacques 3, R. A. Webster (cond.) 4, R. W. Spencer 5, D. Beates 6. First quarter on the bells since rehanging, and also the 25th quarter in the tower.

**WEST BRIDGFORD, NOTTS.**—On July 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Penny Miller 1, W. L. Ratcliffe 2, Juliet Stamper 3, J. W. D. Miller 4, P. K. Else (cond.) 5, G. Butler 6. Rung half-muffled in memorial Rcv. W. P. Johnson, aged 88, former lay reader and curate. Also on July 21th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles, by the same band. For Evensong, and to celebrate the wedding of Jane Tiffin and Royston Blackler on July 4th. Also on July 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Penny Miller 1, Juliet Stamper 2, W. L. Ratcliffe 3, Jane Blackler 4, J. W. D. Miller 5, P. K. Else 6, R. Blackler (cond.) 7, G. Butler 8. For Evensong, and a Confirmation compliment to Ian Cripps.

**WEST BROMWICH, STAFFS.**—On Aug. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Ellis 1, J. Sheldon 2, Christine Turner 3, Jane E. Clapp 4, H. Morton 5, N. Hadley 6, M. Turner (cond.) 7, F. Pickering 8. Rung as a token of respect to Mrs. A. Mills, wife of the belfry captain, who died on August 4th, 1964.

**WEST HALLAM, DERBYS.**—On Aug. 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: H. Pounder 1, Sheila Mellor (first 'inside') 2, R. Tanner 3, D. Marshall (cond.) 4, A. Burton 5, G. Futers 6. A birthday compliment to Sheila Mellor.

**WESTMINSTER.**—At St. Stephen's, Rochester Row, on Aug. 20th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. Phillips 1, A. J. Frost 2, W. J. Kewlings 3, H. N. Pistow (cond.) 4, M. P. Moreton 5, R. B. Meadows 6, J. H. Crampton 7, D. Randall 8. Rung as a tribute to the memory of A. A. Hughes, a founder member of the Westminster Abbey band, by Abbey ringers.

**WEST WICKHAM, KENT.**—On Aug. 20th, 1,440 Minor (720 each of Cambridge Surprise and Single Oxford): Katherine Guy 1, A. Lewis 2, R. Hedges 3, P. Smith 4, A. S. Richards (cond.) 5, A. M. Macve 6. A wedding compliment to Mr. W. L. Wilson, of Rickmansworth, and Miss C. V. Richards, of West Wickham.

**WHICKHAM, CO. DURHAM.**—On July 12th, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): S. Thompson, jr., 1, W. Davidson 2, S. Thompson 3, J. Crowther (cond.) 4, M. Maughan 5. Also on July 19th, 1,260 Doubles (11 methods): S. Thompson 1, W. Davidson 2, J. Crowther 3, A. G. Craddock 4, M. Maughan (cond.) 5. Both for Evensong.

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	M	W	H	23456
Albanian, Coalbrookdale, York, York	—	—	—	42356
Rutland, Prittlewell, Oakham	—	—	—	65324
Haslemere, Staffordshire, Sunderland, Selby	—	—	2	53624
London No. 3, Bromsgrove, Banbury	—	—	—	42635
Leek, Shrewsbury, Inveraray	—	—	—	64235
Yorkshire, Wrexham, Cambridge	—	—	—	26435
Oakham, Pudsey, Marsden	—	—	—	43265
Abergavenny, Lincolnshire, Abingdon	—	—	—	24365
Rutland, Prittlewell, Yeovil	—	—	—	32465
London No. 3, Limerick, Wembley	—	—	—	54263
Yorkshire, Mirfield, Cambridge, Selby	—	—	2	42563
Ranmoor, Lincolnshire, Ossett	—	—	—	35264
Albanian, Whitby, Lindsey	—	—	—	23564

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426357890 —	—	—	4 (—S—S)
432795680 —5ths	S3rds	S	—
492375680 —	—	—	3 (S—S)
342975680 —	—	—	4 (—S—S)
293546780 S	1	—	—
432586790 — S7ths	S4ths	—6ths	—
542637089	2	—	4 (—S—)
243657089	—	—	4 (—S—S)
632457908 —	1	—	S
532467890	1	—	2 (—S)
234567890 S	—	—	3 (S—)

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### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

AUDSLEY.—On and after September 5th, the address of Herbert E. Audsley will be:—3, Mill Place, Crayford, Kent.

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ROGERS.—Alan and Shelagh Rogers now live at 16, Kerwin Road, Dore, Sheffield. 5264

STEWART.—The address of Ronald W. Stewart is now 381, Humber Doucy Lane, Ipswich. 5293

THORLEY.—The telephone number of Mr. and Mrs. J. Martin Thorley of School House, Lyddington, Uppingham, Rutland, is now Uppingham 3235. 5294

### PERSONAL

GREETINGS and best wishes to 'Jafus'—Eighty not out. From convener and members of 'The Ringing World' Committee, and also the Editor and staff. 5269

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Committee meeting on September 12th at 3 p.m. in Holy Trinity vestry. Agenda to include striking competitions, sub-committees and Cathedral bells (new development).—D. A. R. May. 5288

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Surprise Royal practice at St. Nicolas', Guildford, on Tuesday, September 8th, from 7.30 prompt to 9 p.m. London, Cambridge and Yorkshire. All welcome.—D. A. R. May. 5287

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Bishop's Stortford District.—Practice meeting in September, all commencing 7.30 p.m.: 5th, Bishop's Stortford; 12th, Brent Pelham; 26th, Braughing.—D. H. Kingston.

LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.—All ringers coming up as freshers to Liverpool University next session are invited to contact J. J. Fox, 65, Midland Road, Royston, Barnsley, Yorkshire. 5250

MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD.—First practice of term, Sacred Trinity, Salford, October 6th, 7.30. All welcome. Freshers please write to the secretary, Miss M. Browne, 11, Denver Road, Topsham, Exeter, Devon. 5253

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Will members please note that the annual general meeting will be held in Oxford on Saturday, July 3rd, 1965.—M. R. Cross. 5284

UNIVERSITY OF WALES SOCIETY.—Ringers coming up as freshers next term to Aberystwyth, Bangor, Cardiff, Swansea or Lampeter are invited to contact Katherine Maylett, 57, Gurney Court Road, St. Albans. 5259

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### CANCELLED

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Nottingham District.—September meeting cancelled.—S. Adams. 5237

### MEETINGS

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Warwick Archdeaconry District.—Meeting at Wootton Wawen on September 5th. Bells 3 o'clock. Tea 5. Service 6. Bells 6.30 p.m. Please make own tea arrangements.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.W. District.—A meeting will be held at Roydon (6) on Saturday, September 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea to G. Blake, Hamlet House, Roydon Hamlet, Harlow, Essex. 5178

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hereford District.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Clodock on Saturday, September 5th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m., followed by meeting. Names for tea to R. G. Powell, 9, Green Lane, Kingstone, Hereford. 5195

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Practice meeting at Graveley on September 5th at 5.30 p.m.—E. Buck, Dis. Sec. 5231

### LICHFIELD DIOCESAN RINGING FESTIVAL

At Stafford, Saturday, September 5th, 1964

Bells available, Route 1:—Haughton (5), 10.30—11.15 a.m. and 7.45—8.30 p.m.; Church Eaton (6), 11.0—11.45 a.m. and 7.15—8.0 p.m.; Penkridge (8), 12.0 noon—12.45 and 7.0—9.0 p.m. Route 2:—Rugeley, (6), 10.0—10.45 a.m. and 8.15—9.0 p.m.; Colwich, (6), 10.30—11.15 a.m. and 7.45—8.30 p.m.; Ingestre, (6), 11.0—11.45 a.m. and 7.15—8.0 p.m.; Sandon, (5), 11.30—12.15 p.m. and 6.45—7.30 p.m.; Seighford, (5), 12.0 noon—12.45 p.m. and 6.15—7.0 p.m.; Stafford, (10), 3.15—4.30 p.m. and 6.30—8.0 p.m.; Cannock, (8), 7.30—9.0 p.m.; and Gnosall, (6), 7.15—8.0 p.m. No ringing please until arrival of the appointed Ringing Master.

Service at St. Mary's Stafford, 4.30 p.m. Tea in Church Schoolroom 5.15 p.m. Names for tea please to: Mr. R. J. Warriow, 197, Tixall Road, Stafford.—C. M. Smith, Hon. Sec., Stafford Archdeaconry Society. 5120

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Meeting at Saltwood, Saturday, September 5th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. D. H. Gower, 'Perth Cottage,' Saltwood. 5077

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—By-meeting at Milton-next-Gravesend on September 5th. Please make own arrangements for tea.—L. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5223

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Wavendon, Saturday, September 5th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Service 3.30 p.m. Names for tea to R. W. Sear, 37, Buckingham Road, Bletchley. 5215

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Monthly meeting, South Anston, September 5th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Tea in the Church Hall, Ryton Road, North Anston, 5 p.m. Names to Mr. J. L. Gilbert, 10, Pye Bank Close, Sheffield 3. Beighton (6) also available 7-9 p.m.—J. Seager. 5217

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—Practice meeting at Ardingly (6), Saturday, September 5th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. picnic tea. Special method: Stedman.—E. L. Hairs, Hon. Div. Sec. 5202

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Ringing Sunday, September 6th, at All Saints', King's Langley, commencing with tea at 4 p.m., followed by service ringing until 6.30 p.m. and ringing after Evensong. Names for tea to Mr. B. Barker, 7, Watford Road, King's Langley. 5245

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Practice meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube station) on Monday, September 7th, at 7 p.m. 5240

### BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION SUMMER FESTIVAL

Saturday, September 12th

Towers: Maulden (8) 3 p.m.—5 p.m. and Silsoe (6) 6 p.m. onwards.

Tea, Maulden, 5 p.m.

Special Methods: London S. & Ealing S. Everyone welcome. E. Major, Dis. Sec.

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY and LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD (North Lindsey Branch).—Joint meeting, Cottingham, Saturday, September 12th. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea in King Street Rooms 5 p.m. Names for tea, by previous Thursday, to Miss J. M. Woodbridge, 316, Bricknell Avenue, Hull. 5252

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chester Branch.—Meeting Tilston, Saturday, September 12th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Numbers for tea before Thursday, September 10th, please, to R. C. H. Sibley, Hon. Sec., 35, Appleyards Lane, Chester. 5285

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northwich Branch.—Meeting at Weaverham on Saturday, September 12th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday previous to Wm. Hornby, 33, Forter Avenue, Weaverham, near Northwich. 5266



**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION**—Eastern District.—South Shields, Saturday, September 12th, 3 p.m. Names for tea not later than September 9th to Miss End Softley, 88, Mowbray Road, South Shields.

**EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD**—Meeting, Saturday, September 12th, at Lingfield. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Evening ringing 6.15-8.30 p.m. Names for tea by September 10th to Miss M. A. Ladd, 4, William Street, Tunbridge Wells, Kent. 5238

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Cambridge District.—Meeting at Hasingfield (5), Saturday, September 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Orwell (5) available in addition after meeting.—B. D. Threlfall, Dis. Sec. 5176

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION**.—S.W. District.—Meeting at Wanstead on September 12th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. and for a limited time after tea. Service 4.30. Woodford (8) available from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to J. Eyre, 4, Greenheys Drive, E.18. Tel. WAN 9335. 5221

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION**.—Swindon Branch.—Meeting, September 12th, St. Mark's, Swindon (8). Names for tea.—Luton, 169, Cheney Manor Road, Swindon. 5239

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION**.—Forest of Dean Branch.—Meeting, Saturday, September 12th, Ruardean. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. H. Meek, The Hart, Ruardean. 5276

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION**.—Stroud Branch.—Meeting at Eastington, September 12th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea after service. Names by September 9th to S. T. Price, 12, Regent Street, Stonehouse, Glos. 5277

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Western District.—Redbourn (6) September 12th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to G. Reading, 57, Hempstead Road, Redbourn. 5296

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Maidstone District.—By-meeting at Yaldon on Saturday, September 12th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea, only to those who notify, by previous Wednesday, Rev. G. T. Gray, Yalding Vicarage, Maidstone.—T. A. Cross, Dis. Sec. 5168

**LADIES' GUILD**.—Western District.—Quarterly meeting, Compton Martin (6), September 12th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Names for tea, please, by Thursday, 10th, to Mrs. de Jong, 6, Beresford Close, Saltford. 5280

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Furness and Lake District Branch.—Meeting at Ambleside on Saturday, September 12th. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 9th, to Mr. A. Capstick, Kirkwood, Millans Park, Ambleside.—T. F. Metcalfe, Branch Sec. 5286

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Preston Branch.—Meeting at Chipping, Saturday, September 12th. Please bring own food. Bus from Preston Coach Station 1.40; from Clitheroe 12.35, 3.35.—L. Walmsley. 5257

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Rochdale and Rossendale Branches.—Joint meeting at Christ Church, Healey, Rochdale, on Saturday, September 12th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m. Business follows tea.—J. P. Parfitt, R. Holt. 5254

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Loughborough District.—Monthly meeting, September 12th, at Copt Oak. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea at Village Hall. Names for tea to Mr. M. Stevens, 91, Parklands Drive, Loughborough. No names, no tea. 5100

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**.—West Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Epworth, Saturday, September 12th. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea for those who notify Mr. J. Selby, High Street, Epworth, by Tuesday previous. Special methods: Lincoln Surprise and Grandire Triples. 5198

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD** (Central Branch) and **SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD** (Newark District).—Joint meeting, Saturday, September 12th. Eagle, Harby and South Scarle in the evening. Lincoln Guild members' service 4.30 p.m. Eagle. Names for tea by the Wednesday previous to Mr. F. Butler, High Street, Eagle, Lincoln.—S. A. Chambers, Hon. Sec. 5235

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Southern Branch.—Meeting, Harlaxton, Saturday, September 12th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday, September 12th, to Mrs. J. Meads, The Gregory Arms, Harlaxton, near Grantham. Lines.—F. G. Vickers, Hon. Sec. 5246

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Meeting, Saturday, September 12th. St. Matthew's, Stepney, 3.30-4.30 p.m. Own tea. St. Dunstan's, Bethnal Green, 6.30-7.30. Meeting.—V. E. Dupre, Hon. Sec. 5271

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—N. and E. District.—Northaw, September 12th. Bells 3.15 p.m. Light refreshments 5 p.m. Evening ringing.—E. H. Kilby, Dis. Sec. 5267

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**.—City Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Cuddesdon, September 12th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea, by Wednesday, September 12th, to Mr. B. Grainger, The Theological College, Cuddesdon, Oxford. 5255

**ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Quarterly meeting, Cardigan, Saturday, September 12th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Names for tea to A. Walters, 1, Spring Gardens, Cardigan.—R. Warburton, Hon. Sec. 5241

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**.—West Dorset Branch.—Meeting, Thorncombe, Saturday, September 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to J. Davis, Mount Melplash, Bridport. 5261

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS**.—Quarterly meeting, September 12th. St. Mary's, Battersea, 2-3 p.m.; St. Stephen's, Clapham Park, 3.45-4.45; St. Giles', Camberwell, 6.30-8 p.m. Tea, local cafes.—F. J. Matthews, Hon. Sec. 5183

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD** (Newark District) and **LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD** (Central District).—Meetings, Saturday, September 12th. Harby (5) 2.30-4.30, South Scarle (5) from 6 o'clock, Eagle (6) afternoon and evening. Southwell Guild members only—cups of tea in Harby Vicarage, followed by business meeting.—B. N. Reed. 5260

**SOUTHWELL GUILD**.—Bingham District.—Meeting, Radcliffe-on-Trent on September 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to W. L. Exton, St. Owen's, Whatton.—R. Blackshaw, Dis. Sec. 5265

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Bingham District.—Annual dance, British Legion Club, Radcliffe-on-Trent, Saturday, September 12th. 8-11.45 p.m. Admission 4s. 6d. Ringing at Radcliffe afternoon and evening.

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**.—North Notts District.—Meeting at Everton, Saturday, September 12th. Names for tea by 9th to Mrs. M. N. Usher, The Vicarage, Everton, Doncaster.—H. Denman. 5279

**SUFFOLK GUILD**.—General Guild meeting at Ipswich on Saturday, September 12th. St. Clement's (6), St. Mary-at-Quay (6), St. Matthew's (6) from 2.30-4 p.m.; St. Lawrence's (5), 4-4.30 p.m. Evensong at St. Stephen's 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. St. Mary-le-Tower (12) 6.30-8 p.m. St. Margaret's (8) 8-9 p.m. Names for tea by September 5th, if possible, please, to Andrew T. Beckwith, 76, Digby Road, Ipswich. A good attendance, please. All visitors welcome.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION**.—Northern District.—Quarterly meeting, September 12th at Shere (8). Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Evening ringing at Albury (6). Names for tea by Tuesday, 8th, to Mr. J. J. Newman, 'School Cottage', Shere.—B. Bull, Asst. Sec. 5167

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Western Division.—Practice meeting at Stedham (6), Saturday, September 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. No arrangements for tea.—R. Wake, Hon. Sec. 5269

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION**.—Western Branch.—Meeting at Shrawley, Saturday 12th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by meeting in Village Hall. Ombersley bells (6) available from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, September 8th, to A. A. Jopp, Church Road, Stoulton, Worcester. 5204

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Next general meeting will be held at Birstwith on September 12th. Bells available: St. Peter's,

Harrogate (8), 10.30-11.30 a.m. and 2-3 p.m.; Beckwithshaw (6), 11.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m. and 7-8.30 p.m.; Birstwith (8), 2.15-4.15 and 6.45-8.30 p.m.; Kirk Deighton, 7.15-8.30 p.m. General Committee meet in the school at 3.15 p.m. Evensong at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.45 p.m. at the Station Hotel (8s. for high tea; 3s. 9d. for ordinary tea). Please notify the undersigned, not later than September 9th, which tea is required. General meeting in the school after tea.—W. F. Moreton, Gen. Sec., 6, Bar Lane, Wakefield. 5200

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**.—Western District.—Meeting at Consett on Saturday, September 19th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Annual general meeting and election of officers. Names for tea to R. Skelton, 12, Belle Vue Gardens, Consett. 5295

**DEVON GUILD**.—Mid Devon Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Buckfast Abbey, September 19th. Bells 2 p.m., service in the Abbey 4.30 p.m., tea and business after. Names for tea to Fr. Paulinus, Buckfast Abbey. 5121

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION**.—S.E. District.—Ringing meeting, Danbury, September 19th. No business. Bazaar for Danbury Eight-Bell Fund at 2.30 in Village Hall. Sandwiches and tea available until 4.30. Ringing from 3.30. Service 5. Handbells and coffee at Kewset 8.30 p.m. 5256

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Canterbury District.—By-meeting, Teynham on Saturday, September 19th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea in Purser Hall at 2s. 6d. per person. Those requiring tea please notify, together with cash, not later than Wednesday, September 16th, to Mr. V. V. Page, 1, The Crescent, Teynham, near Sittingbourne. 5229

**LADIES' GUILD**.—Eastern District.—Meeting at Mendlesham, Saturday, September 19th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. Godfree, 2, Fleece Cottages, Mendlesham, Stowmarket. **SUFFOLK GUILD** (Central District) practice meeting at Cotton in evening.—A. E. J. L. 5273

**LADIES' GUILD**.—Midland District.—At St. Mary's, Nottingham, September 19th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea and meeting in St. Mary's Institute, Barker Gate, 4.45. No name no tea. Ringing until 8.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss I. B. Thompson, 52 Lace Street, Durkirk, Nottingham. Gentlemen cordially invited.—S. E. Chesterton, Hon. Sec.

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**SURREY ASSOCIATION**.—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting at Godstone, not Betchworth, September 19th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, by September 16th, to Mr. A. K. Wood, 45, Warren Lane, Oxted.—G. A. W. 5251

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Western District.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, September 19th, at Marsden. Bells available 3 p.m. Practice method: Erin Caters. Names for tea by September 16th to Mr. R. Shaw, 4, Lane Ings, Marsden, Huddersfield. District Committee meeting at 4.15 p.m. Tea and business meeting 5 p.m.—R. J. Lumley, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**DEVON GUILD**.—South West Branch.—Meeting at Galampton, near Kingsbridge, September 26th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Also available: Marlborough (6) 2.30-4 and South Milton 6-8 p.m. Names for tea, by 22nd, to G. J. L. Read, Home Park, Galampton, Kingsbridge, Devon.—T. G. Myers, Branch Sec. 5248



**NATIONAL POLICE GUILD.** — 1964 annual meeting on Saturday, September 26th, in London. Ringing throughout the day (details as circular). Lunch at 'Euston Tavern,' 73, Euston Road (opp. St. Pancras Station) at 1 p.m. prompt. Approx. cost 14s. Meeting to follow. Names (with cash, please) to Norman S. Bagworth, 37, Cliveden Road, Wimbledon, S.W.19, by Tuesday, 22nd.—R. Holt, Hon. Sec., 19, Cowpe Road, Rossendale, Lancs (new address). 5242

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—The annual Striking Competition is to be held at Buxhall on Saturday, September 26th. Draw at 1.45 p.m. Competition to start at 2 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Followed by tea and presentation of shield. General ringing 6.30—9 p.m. Entries, together with numbers for tea, by September 12th, please, to Mr. R. E. Lester, 40, Stowmarket Road, Needham Market, Ipswich.

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.** — Northern Branch—Meeting at Alvechurch, Saturday, September 19th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and business. Names for tea to Mr. H. C. Kent, 35, Red Lion Street, Alvechurch, by Thursday, September 17th, please.—Bryan C. Ashford Sec. 5297

#### GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

Annual dinner at Stoke Hotel,  
Guildford, on Saturday, October 3rd,  
at 6 (for 6.30).  
Further details shortly. 5289

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.** — The autumn general meeting will be held at Winslow, Bucks, on Saturday, October 3rd, 2.30 p.m. Business meeting in the Winslow Public Hall 4.15 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Service in the Parish Church. Names for tea (3s. 3d. per head), together with remittance, should be sent before Monday, September 28th, to Miss D. J. Pollard, 49, Foxborough Road, Radley, Abingdon, Berks.—M. R. Cross, Hon. Gen. Sec. 5283

**WILLINGHAM, CAMBS.**—On Aug. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Denson 1, N. Robinson 2, G. E. Crisp 3, D. Peacock 4, D. F. Murfitt 5, G. A. Lucas (cond.) 6. For Matins.

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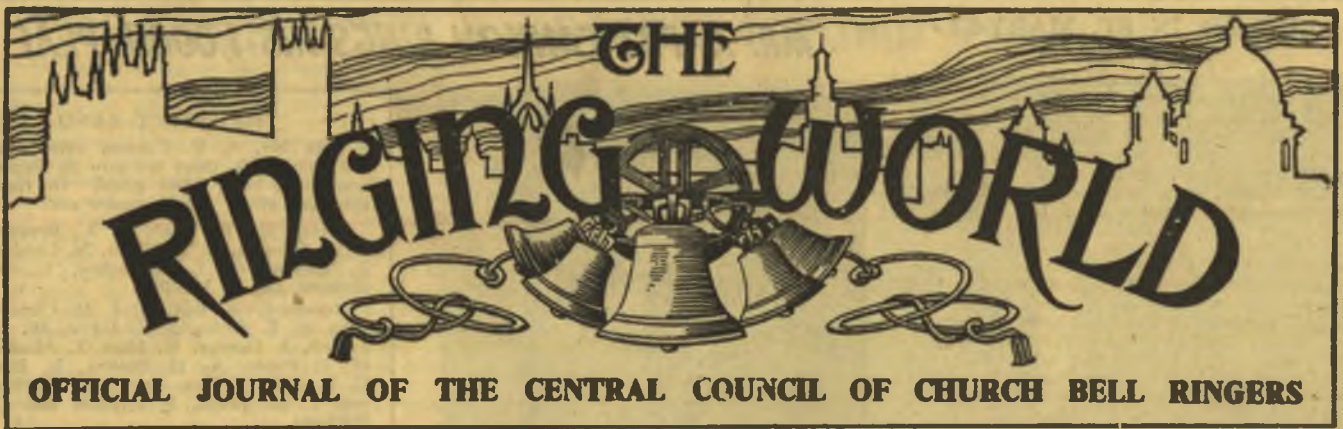
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## CHANGES THROUGH THE YEARS

JUST 100 years ago a clergyman, at a meeting of clergy, advised that on no excuse should permission be given for ringing on Sunday. 'Ringing,' he said, 'is an intellectual and scientific enjoyment, as much so as chess or violin playing . . . and we know what view we should take of Sunday chess players or Sunday concerts.' In a climate like this—and to combat such opinions within the Church—the modern territorial associations were formed, the movement growing during the last quarter of last century. The older ones among us are fond of telling the young that in our time we sat in the ringing chamber and waited to be asked to ring. Encouragement was the last thing we expected. The late J. Armiger Trollope has told how he and his school friends fared. With Troyte's book and permission to ring on an unused six at Norwich they taught themselves to handle the bells and then to ring changes. With handbells made from the old-fashioned bells that hung in the servants' quarters, they learned double-handed ringing. And still they were not readily accepted in the towers of Norwich.

By contrast let us consider the position of the new ringer today. He has a local Association to encourage him and to arrange practice meetings at which he can make progress; he is welcome in almost every tower, either as a beginner anxious to learn or as an addition to the local band; judging by the numbers rung, peal ringing facilities are as good as they ever have been, and of course travel is much easier; day or week-end courses of instruction are held, at which well-known ringers are found to impart their knowledge to anybody willing to listen. This is a big change from the days when a man kept his hard-won knowledge to himself. Central Council and other publications, though not numerous enough to satisfy some, are available for private study, written by ringers only too willing to share their expertise. To come nearer home, 'The Ringing World' exists to focus all these activities by publicity, by notices, peal reports and willingness to publish suitable articles, whether technical or historical, about our art.

Like organ playing or choral singing, our service to the Church has a secular aspect, and it would appear that this

secular side is flourishing. In spite of many other attractions, more and more young people are seen at meetings and courses and in our towers. One wonders, however, whether the attention being given to this side of our art overshadows to some extent the fact that we are, or should be, primarily church workers and as such should be active members of our Church, in its worship and its other activities. From time to time one hears that an incumbent is in conflict with his ringers because of their non-attendance at church. Often there are explanations. Perhaps the ringers worship at another church, without bells; perhaps they go on to ring at another church with a later service; and so on. The recent ringers' festival at Kirby-le-Soken showed the bright side of the coin. The bells were rung before and after three services, most of the ringers joining at least one of the large congregations. A ringer travelled many miles to preach and others similar distances to read the lessons. Equally inspiring are the annual gatherings of some of the territorial Associations referred to. Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford, for example, resounds annually with the hearty singing of the ringers of the Oxford Guild.

The writer's experience is limited to his own area, and it may be that in other parts of the country the position is more encouraging. But one has a feeling that often the ringers are not as closely-knit to the Church as both parties should desire. As ringers we must admit that we owe almost all our opportunities for indulging in our hobby to the Church, and also that basically the service of the Church is our *raison d'être*. What more can we do to bring ringers and other church workers into close contact where it does not now exist? Most Association meetings are held on Saturdays and they often include a short service. But those services are by their nature exclusive. Would it not be possible for Association or District officers and the more active members all to meet occasionally on a Sunday by arrangement to help ring at one of their less-flourishing towers, and then all to attend the service as an act of corporate worship? No doubt the incumbent would be happy to make reference to the event during the service. Our readers, with their extensive collective experience, will have their own views on what can and should be done to bring our work closer to the Church, and we shall welcome their ideas. No doubt the members of the Sunday Service Ringing and Education Committee of the Central Council will also be glad to hear their views.

W. G. WILSON.



## LOCKED IN ST. MARY-LE-TOWER

An awkward predicament confronted ringers at St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich, at the conclusion of their practice on August 31st. The belfry door was locked against them. It has been customary to open the belfry door with a key which is left in the lock.

The first to leave could not open the door. About a dozen ringers were like rats in a trap: one suggested the fire brigade (that useful institution when in trouble), another, endowed with a fair amount of initiative, recommended firing the back eight. This brought the caretaker to the churchyard, and he was asked to tie a screwdriver and hammer on a bell rope, let down from a window. The tools were hauled up; after a lot of hard work the screws were removed and the whole lock taken off, occupying about half an hour.

A late arrival at the practice noticed two or three lads loitering near the porch: it is supposed they climbed the 30 steps locked the door and decamped with the key. They probably thought it a huge joke, but the ringers did not!

Now the stable door is being locked after the horse is stolen. G.E.S.

## FIRST LADY TAUGHT IN WALTHAMSTOW

Mr. W. Shepherd, of Addlestone, writes repeating Mr. I. D. Chapman's statement, that Miss Janet Gamble was the first lady taught in Walthamstow tower to ring a quarter there. In the spring of 1907, he states, Miss C. Beasley, a Walthamstow ringer, scored her first quarter there and this was recorded in 'The Bell News.'

Mr. H. Rumens writes that Miss Sonia Coles, daughter of Mr. C. T. W. Coles and granddaughter of the late Mr. C. T. Coles, learned to ring at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, in 1948 and rang in several quarter peals, including Grandsire Triples, Caters, Stedman Triples and Bob Minor. Going back before 1914, Miss Clara Beazley was taught at St. Mary's and was the young lady who rang the tenor to the first 'all ladies' peal at Cubitt Town.

## 80th BIRTHDAY CONGRATULATIONS

The heartiest of congratulations go forth from the Midland District of the Ladies' Guild to a member who was the first Vice-President of the District when it was formed in 1946. She is Miss I. B. Thompson who celebrates her 80th birthday today—Sept. 11th. For 14 years Miss Thompson held the position of Vice-President in the District, but during the whole of her ringing career her support for the Ladies' Guild, her Church and all ringing has always been readily given.

After 52 years in the Guild it was our privilege to make Miss Thompson an Hon. Life Member and she continues to serve on the General Committee. Many of the older generation will remember Miss Thompson as Treasurer of the old 'M.C.A.' as affectionately known in the Midlands.

Ringers everywhere will join with us in offering our congratulations in her new-found retirement. S.E.C.

## HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The St. Albans District held a full meeting at St. Mary's, Welwyn, for the first time on August 15th. We were met by the tower captain, Mr. Steer, who showed us his set of new ropes, bought not a moment too soon. Two were on by evening!

The new Rector, the Rev. Mr. Walsh, took the service and gave a most interesting address on the history of one of his bells, which bears the inscription, 'Down with enthusiasm.' Is it just hearsay that this bell cannot be rung to a peal? Tea was arranged by the local band at a cafe in the town.

A business meeting was held in the churchyard, Mr. Rex Agg, the Association secretary, presiding. The meeting was pleased to hear that it had been represented at the funeral of Mr. A. A. Hughes. Thelma West was elected a probationary member and Paula Healey and Peter Dale ringing members.

## MR. A. PAT CANNON RINGS HIS 1,000th PEAL



### THE SELECT BAND

With Mr. A. P. Cannon completing his 1,000 peals, there are now 26 ringers who have rung 1,000 peals. Of these nine are alive. Their names are:

Alive.—H. E. Audsley, J. Bennett, A. P. Cannon, G. E. Fearn, N. Golden, E. Jenkins, J. L. Millhouse, C. W. Roberts and J. Worth.

Deceased.—F. Bennett, J. H. Cheeseman, C. T. Coles, J. E. Davis, W. H. Fussell, J. George, K. Hart, E. Morris, H. J. Poole, A. H. Pulling, E. Pye, G. R. Pye, W. Pye, Rev. F. E. Robinson, I. G. Shade, J. Thomas and G. Williams.

He has conducted 514, and the number of different ringers taking part was 1,459. His long lengths include 11,568 Double Norwich at Debenham in 1950 and 13,280 Cambridge Surprise Major at Quex Park in 1959.

This list is as follows:

Maximus.—Cambridge 2, Kent T.B. 2 (conducted 1).

Cinques.—Stedman 3 (1), Grandsire 1. Royal.—Yorkshire 6 (1), Cambridge 21 (2), Kent T.B. 17 (6), Plain Bob 20 (10).

Caters.—Stedman 4, Grandsire 4. Major.—Plain Bob 76 (42), Double Norwich 133 (108), Double Oxford 5 (3), Hereward Bob 1 (1), Little Bob 2, Bishopdale Bob 1, Winchester Bob 1, Kent T.B. 54 (32), Oxford T.B. 8 (5).

Surprise Major.—Biddenden 2 (1), Braunstone 1 (1), Cambridge 94 (50), New Cambridge 5 (2), Fordcombe 1 (1), Gainsborough 3 (1), Lincolnshire 29 (10), Lindum 1, London 8, Nailstone 2, Rutland 7, Southwell 3 (1), Superlative 37 (8), Turramurra 1, Wye 1 (1), Yorkshire 101 (37), sundry Surprise Major methods (on treble) 12.

Triples.—Stedman 6, Grandsire 30 (16), Plain Bob 2.

Minor.—1-6 methods 123 (94), seven methods 68 (46), 8-13 methods 30 (10), 15 methods 1, seven T.B. methods 1, Kent T.B. 3 (1), Oxford T.B. 1 (1), Delight methods (on treble) 3, Cambridge S. 11 (5), London S. 1, Beverley, Bourne Ipswich, Norwich and Surfleet (one each) 5, seven Surprise 6, 8-9 Surprise 2, Multi-Surprise Minor (on treble) 6.

Doubles.—Grandsire 3 (3), Plain Bob 1 (1), 2-7 methods 23 (12), 10 methods 1, Winchendon P., New Bob, 11 and 24 methods (on treble) 4.

## MADELEY RINGING JUBILEE

The diamond jubilee of ringing service in one tower, St. Michael's, Madeley, Salop, was in July reached by Mr. Thomas Pritchard, of Court Street, Madeley.

During the past 60 years Mr. Pritchard has been most dedicated to his church, not only as a bellringer, which included 28 years as tower captain, but as a sidesman, deputy warden and churchwarden. As a bellringer his only absences from Sunday service and practice ringing were during the two world wars and while the bells were being recast and augmented to eight; except the occasional day of ill-health.

In 1907, after only three years as a ringer, he taught the complete band change ringing as he was the only experienced change ringer there. Mr. and Mrs. Pritchard celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at Whitsun, 1962, and to mark the occasion presented an electric clock for the ringing chamber.

During the past six months Mr. Pritchard unfortunately has been very poorly and in hospital, but he is now making progress.

To mark the diamond jubilee, the local company rang a quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles, with 4, 6, 8 covering, on August 13th. Many of the band had long service in the tower, details being: J. Tranter (one year, first quarter) 1, T. S. Wilkes (38 years) 2, Miss P. Alford (2 years) 3, J. L. Stanier (56 years) 4, F. W. Jones (18 years) 5, A. J. Molinoli (one year) 6, H. Tranter (32 years, conductor) 7, H. Hyde (54 years) 8.

## OBITUARY

### MR. J. E. S. MORETON

The ringers of All Saints' Church, Chilvers Coton, Warwickshire, have suffered a severe blow in the sudden passing to higher service of their oldest member, John Edward Spencer Moreton, at the age of 67, on August 24th.

He came of a ringing family and first learned to ring in 1910. From 1923-1952 he was captain of the band and also tower keeper for a great part of the time. He rang about 100 peals. In his capacity as a carpenter and joiner he, together with the late Ernest Stone, made and erected oak panelling in the ringing room to the memory of Mr. G. J. Lewis, father of Mrs. D. E. Beamish, a staunch worshipper at the church for many years.

The funeral service on August 27th was attended by the majority of the local ringers together with Mr. F. W. Perrens, Mr. A. J. Hinde and Mr. J. L. Garner-Hayward, representing the Coventry Diocesan Guild, of which Jack had been a member for 50 years.

The bells were rung half-muffled before and after the interment and a quarter peal was rung in the evening. Prior to a quarter peal on the Sunday morning following, a minute's silence was observed and the captain, Mr. A. H. Beamish, offered a short prayer and hoped that the band would gain inspiration from the life of Jack Moreton and render the same loyalty to the church that he did.



## MATT. WOOD, OF BETHNAL GREEN

In their tributes to Mr. Albert A. Hughes, your recent contributors have referred to his learning to ring under Matthew A. Wood, of Bethnal Green. Mr. E. E. Holman, of Walthamstow, has recently presented to the London County Association Matt. Wood's peal books—five small notebooks in good condition and written in excellent copperplate. As a matter of interest and for the benefit of future historians of our art, I give brief particulars of these books and at the same time express thanks to Ernie Holman, for his kindness in presenting them, and for the care with which they have been preserved.

**Book 1.**—Contains 105 peals of Grandsire Triples, including his first peal in 1846, and his last, conducted by A. A. Hughes, in 1909. Forty-one of these peals were conducted by Matt. Wood and they include four on handbells.

**Book 2.**—Eighty-five peals of Stedman Triples (conducted 16) from 1847 to 1907. It is noticeable that Matt. was at home anywhere 'round the circle,' though in not one of these peals did he ring the tenor behind. He rang 5-6 to the first peal of Stedman Triples 'in hand' in 1854 and, in the same year, 7-8 to the same method, now-conducted. In 1906 the name of 'A. A. Hughes, junr.' first appears in these books—he rang the tenor at Bethnal Green.

**Book 3.**—Records 68 peals of Major, between 1846 and 1908, the majority of them Kent Treble Bob, with 8,448 in 1870 at Spitalfields; 8,896 at Bethnal Green in 1890 and a record length, 15,840, in 1868. Peals of London, Cambridge and Superlative are included in this section.

**Book 4.**—Records 82 peals of Caters and Royal between 1848 and 1902, including four of Stedman Caters 'in hand,' that in 1851 being the first such performance.

**Book 5.**—Records 40 peals of Cinques and Maximus between 1848 and 1901, including the first of Stedman Cinques 'in hand' in 1854, rung for the St. James' Society. These peals also include the then record lengths of Stedman Cinques—7,524 at Cripplegate in 1851 and 8,580 at Cornhill in 1861.

At the end of this volume there are summaries of these 380 peals, a considerable total for those days; and a list of names of all the ringers who took part in them, which reads like a roll of honour of famous London ringers, with distinguished visitors, of the last century.

A note about Matt. Wood, with photograph, appeared in 'R.W.' for August 30th, 1940. He came of an old ringing family, his grandfather and great uncle being notable early members of the Cumberlands. He was born in 1826 and lived from 1829 until his death in 1912 in Church Row, by St. Matthew's Church where he succeeded his father as steeple-keeper.

W. G. WILSON.

## OUTING

### DEVIZES, WILTS

The ringers and friends of St. John's, St. Mary's and St. James', Southbroom, held their annual outing on August 29th. The coach left St. John's Church at 1 p.m., the first tower being Wilton, where we were met by the Rev. C. A. Witcomb and Mr. A. Trimby. At Fordingbridge Mr. Marlow met us and everyone rang on the eight bells.

Bournemouth was reached at 5 p.m., and after tea Mr. Colin Conway and Rev. David Haslam met us. We enjoyed our hour's ringing on these fine bells. The homeward journey was through the New Forest and Lyndhurst, to Salisbury, where there was a half hour halt. Devizes was reached about 10.45 p.m.

A. T. W.

## DOUBLE-HANDED PEAL OF MAJOR



The ringers—from left to right: Tom Chapman (treble-2), Frank C. Price (conductor, 3-4), Frank T. Blagrove (5-6) Tony Price (7-tenor).

Having rung the triple-double-handed peal at Preston Candover in 1961, thoughts turned to a peal of Bob Major with four ringers. Tom Chapman was the obvious choice for the fourth ringer, and the only problem was a suitable tower.

Two attempts were made at Atherstone, Warwickshire, in 1963, but both were stopped about half-way due to bells crossing. This did, however, give us much valuable practice.

The third attempt, at Balcombe, was successful at the first try. The first half was good, although the time of 85 minutes was probably too fast, resulting in a few patches in the third part. A few words from the

tenors to 'Slow it up' led to some good ringing in the last part; time for the second half being 94 minutes. In this attempt we rang Pritchard's Four Part instead of the handbell composition used in the other attempts. The greatest difficulty in all-double-handed ringing is the difference in weight of the two tenors. The success of the peal was undoubtedly due to the skill and ease with which Tony rang them.

After the peal, welcome refreshment was provided by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Laker, and we express our appreciation to Mr. Laker and the Balcombe ringers for the peal arrangements.

F.T.B.

## BATTLE RINGERS IN HERTS

Regarded by some as a rash decision, Battle ringers held their annual outing on August Bank Holiday. It turned out, however, to be a glorious day and the arrangements went surprisingly smoothly. For the first time, the Dean accompanied the party.

It was a long ride into Hertfordshire for Cheshunt (an easy-going ring), our first tower. To start with we did not do justice to the bells, but later on some well-struck Grandsire and a half course of Cambridge were achieved. The unusual happened at Hertford (10). The stay of the third was bent, but a Heath-Robinson operation put things right with the 'supporting bar,' consisting of the original bent stay plus wedge and various lengths of rope. Funnily enough, nobody dared to set the bell.

After lunch ringing at Baldock was spoiled by trying to ring the bells too fast. At Hitchin, the heat of the day seemed to be telling itself and ringing was confined to standard methods. A most enjoyable salad tea at the Cavalier Hotel Sevenage, was followed by a narrow lane route to Wheathampstead, where 36 feet of unguided rope proved a problem to some who were not so agile with their footwork. At the last tower, Aldenham, Stedman and a half course of Yorkshire were rung.

I.V.J.S.

Some still awake attempted to ring hand bells on the journey home. However, this soon ceased and the coach drifted into moderate silence, with the back seat, of course, occupied by, '.... Oh do move over a bit, Colin.'

I. V. J. S.

## TURVEY SURPRISE MAJOR

34.58.36.14. 56.12.58.36. 12.34.34.12.58. 14.56.14. 78. 2nd place i.e. 14263857.

5,120

By STEPHEN IVIN.

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63542	2	X		—
23645		X		—
276354			V	
62534	3 IV	X		
52364	—	X		—
42563		X		—
475236			V	
54326	3 IV	X		
34256	—	X		—
56342		X	2	—
26435	2	X		—
35264		X	2	—
45623	2	X		—
23456		X	2	

SHAFTESBURY, DORSET.—At St. James the Great, on Aug. 28th, 1,260 Old Doubles: Ruth A. Elmes 1. Mary E. Elmes 2. Judith A. Robertson 3. G. W. Elmes (first in the variation as cond.) 4. J. W. Blackwood 5. C. Dalton 6. First in the variation by 1, 5 and 6.

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# Letters to the Editor

## Mr. John Betjeman and The Central Council

Dear Sir,—Readers of Mr. Peter Came's leading article on Mr. John Betjeman in your issue of August 7th may like to know that in reply to my letter inviting him to allow his name to go forward for election as an honorary member of the Council, Mr. Betjeman replied: 'I am honoured that my name should be considered as an honorary member of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers. It is some years now since I handled a bell and when I did I never rose to method ringing, call changes were all I could manage, but the sound of bells and the joy of the exercise are things which are dear to me. I am thoroughly in agreement with the aims of your Council.'

I have sent him a copy of the above issue.—Yours faithfully,

E. A. BARNETT,  
Hon. Secretary,  
Central Council.

## More Yorkshire Four-bell Towers

Dear Sir,—Recently fresh information has come my way on some Yorkshire four-bell towers:

**Bossall** (near York).—The ring here has now been declared unsafe owing to excessive movement in the frame and supporting floor. This is a pity as efforts had been made to restore the ring in the old and beautiful church.

**Badsworth** (near Pontefract).—Recently I had the pleasure of joining the Hemingbrough band in ringing for a service. Despite the necessity of respicing the tenor's rope the 'go' of the bells is quite good. The tone is decidedly odd and I can't understand why they occupy the four largest pits in the six bell frame, for they are certainly not tuned to be a back 4 of a 6.

**Filey**.—St. Oswald's Church has a chime of 4 bells hung 'dead.' Except for the treble, all are old bells with canons and Latin inscriptions. The tenor about 12 cwt., is dated 1689, the 3rd 1700 and the 2nd 1675. These 3 bells, originally hung for full-swing ringing and then later for swing-chiming, were hung 'dead' by Taylor's in 1928 and a new treble was added at the same time. Insufficient money meant that a ring of 6 or 8 wasn't forthcoming. Although there are 4 bells in the tower, the present treble, 3rd and tenor form a chime of 3 bells and the 2nd (a semitone between the treble and 3rd) is used as a service bell. The bells hang in a frame reputed to be of pre-Reformation ship's timbers and are well cared for. In the ex-ringing chamber is preserved the wheel of the tenor.—Yours sincerely,

MICHAEL KING.

Wentworth, Rotherham.

## A Disappointment

Dear Sir,—A deal attempt of Bob Major was lost at Blethingley, Surrey, on August 29th after two hours and 50 minutes ringing. If successful, this would have been a 'first' as conductor for Richard Stevens and a welcome for Alison Streeter who contrived to be born a few hours before the attempt commenced. The happy father was ringing the treble. Richard's handling of the 'not so easy' tenor was worthy of note.—Yours faithfully,

K. TABER.

## Stravinsky and Bells

Dear Sir,—I came across a mention in a newspaper, about two years ago, of the same Stravinsky incident as Dr. Price relates in your issue of August 14th. My own clue led to Eric Walter White's book 'Stravinsky: A Critical Survey,' where the telling is even more pointed:

'Despite its possibly apocryphal origin and faulty logic, the following anecdote is typical of the composer, both in its line of argument and the dogmatic nature of its utterance. It is said that one morning in London he was with a friend in a taxi when, just as they came to Ludgate Hill, the bells of St. Paul's began to ring. He leaned forward to listen and tapped on the window for the driver to stop. Then he turned to his friend and said: "That is really the ideal way to make music. A man pulls a rope; but what happens at the other end is of no importance to him. He cannot make the bells ring more softly or more loudly; he cannot alter their rhythm, nor increase or diminish their tone. He has nothing to do except pull the rope—the bells do all the rest. The music is not in him: it lives in the bells. The man at the rope is the prototype of the ideal conductor..."'

Granted that Stravinsky is, as Dr. Price says, one of the greatest musicians of the age, he does seem to have acquired his notions of College 'Youths' ringing from something like the Coronation Scene in the opera 'Boris Godunov,' or perhaps the bell-clanging antics in the film 'Femmes de Paris.' One hardly likes to spoil by further comment this delightful piece of utter bosh.—Yours faithfully,  
R. B. MEADOWS.

## High Hoyland Bells

Dear Sir,—I was interested to read the letter about High Hoyland bells in your issue of August 14th.

The P.C.C. have decided that the best thing to do is to remove the bells and we are in process of applying for a faculty to do this.

It may be that another church would be interested in buying them. It does seem to be a pity that they should be sold for scrap metal.

Five bells are dated 1745 and the treble is dated 1822 (by Thomas Mears). The tenor weighs 8 cwt.—Yours faithfully,

The Rectory, E. A. CROWE (Rev.).  
Clayton West, Huddersfield.

## Clarification wanted

Dear Sir,—Could I appeal for some clarification of the notations of the following methods published recently as the information seems inconsistent:

**Rothley S.M.:** The notation given does not produce 1352 . . . with 2nds, if the halflead were to be 18 then 2nds would give 13 . . . but there would have to be another 'extra 2nds' in the grid for this to obtain.

**Hunslett B.M.:** The notation given does not produce 164 . . . What are the missing places? It is interesting that Hunslett is Leeds's classic slum area; perhaps the method is a slum too?

**Bombay S.M.:** There is a transit missing (presumably when the treble is in 5-6 the places should be - 2 - and not as printed, with the 1458 at the cross section?).

Now that all the Doubles variations have been exposed, could I appeal for a complete list of the 'irregular' Minor methods, as well as a list of all those with built-in singles, not all of those rung have been given I think. Perhaps one of our Barnsley and District friends would oblige?—Yours sincerely,

GILES B. THOMPSON.

Chorlton cum Hardy.

## Naming Doubles Methods

Dear Sir,—Would you please insert this in the 'R.W.' to try to find the names of the following Doubles variations (if they have been named):

(a) Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury, St. Simon, St. Martin, St. Nicholas, Winchendon, St. Osmund and St. Remigius, all of which have a London Single as the Bob.

N.B.—Not an extreme.

(b) Grandsire P.C. with a Grandsire Bob and an Antelope Single as the single.

Grandsire P.C. with a Grandsire Bob and a P.L. of All Saints as the single

(c) Methods which have New Bob (or Grandsire Extremes each lead end) at the back and front work, which is the front work of St. Simon, Winchendon, St. Remigius and St. Osmund, e.g., New Bob which has St. Simon's front work. The call being a P.L. of Plain Bob or Rev. Canterbury.

(d) P.C. is St. Remigius with an Old Doubles Single as the single and half lead of Original as the bob.

(e) St. Osmund with a P.L. of All Saints as the single.

St. Remigius with a P.L. of All Saints as the single.—Yours faithfully,

Birstall, Leicester. DAVID F. MOORE.

Reply to Mr. Moore's letter:

(a) To the best of my knowledge a London Single is a St. Blaise Single and therefore a London Extreme, i.e., all three are the same.

Name	Plain Course	Call
*Limerick	Plain Bob	St. Blaise Single
*Wexford	Rev. Cant.	St. Blaise Single
*Bray	St. Simon	St. Blaise Single
*Waterford	St. Martin	St. Blaise Single
*Hollywood	St. Nicholas	St. Blaise Single
*Forden	Winchendon	St. Blaise Single
*St. Florence	St. Osmund	St. Blaise Single
*Holt	St. Remigius	St. Blaise Single

Name	Plain Course	Bob	Single
†St. Helen			
or	G'sire	G'sire	Antelope
*St. Ippolyts Newboro'	G'sire	G'sire	P.L. All Saints

Plain Course			
Name:	Front Work	Back Work	Call
St. Modwen	St. Simon	G'sire Ext.	P.L. Pl. Bob
Winhill	St. Simon	G'sire Ext.	P.L. R. Cant
*Fairfield	Winchendon	G'sire Ext.	P.L. Pl. Bob
*Carlton	Winchendon	G'sire Ext.	P.L. R. Cant
*Eling	St. Osmund	G'sire Ext.	P.L. Pl. Bob
*Lenton	St. Osmund	G'sire Ext.	P.L. R. Cant
*Minster	St. Remigius	G'sire Ext.	P.L. Pl. Bob
*Zennor	St. Remigius	G'sire Ext.	P.L. R. Cant
(St. Simon = Grandsire Extreme = New Bob.)			

Name	Plain Course	Bob	Single
St. Basil			
or			
*Swallowfield	St. Remigius	O.D.S.	H.L. of Original
or			
St. Dominica			

(e)			
†St. Stephen			
or	St. Osmund	P.L. of All Saints	
*St. Felix			
†St. Anne			
or	St. Remigius	P.L. of All Saints	
*St. Cleer(?)			

All these methods except Newborough have a multiplicity of names and should be checked before use to ensure that they are true 120's. The fact that a method (except one in common use) has a name does not mean that it is true. This point was made very clear by the Collection of Doubles Methods. \* These methods are still subject to investigation. † The names given are most likely the original.

ROY H. JONES.

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## UNEXPECTED HUMOUR IN HIGH PLACES

By JOHN P. FIDLER

(Continued from page 595)

### THE BELL STOKER

Now is the time for the steeple-keepers to sit up and take notice, for the man who knows it all goes on: 'But the bells should have their official, like the clock. He should be called the Bell-stoker. He should rub his bells at least once a week; then they would never rust, the inscriptions would be preserved, and the surface of the bells protected from disintegration, the sound would be improved, and the bells would be less liable to crack.' (I am sure that if the steeple-keepers cannot find time to rub the bells as suggested they have only to contact the Mothers' Union who, I am sure, will be only too delighted to do the work for him.)

'The stoker should keep every rivet in its place; the wheels and beams should all be varnished or painted regularly. I have visited many belfries at home and abroad, but never have I seen a bit of paint or varnish on one yet.' (Bellhangers always make a special point of placing the bells in such a manner that it is impossible to carry out most of the suggestions. He may argue that he is limited for space, don't believe him, he can always make more room by pushing the tower walls out.)

'The shutters should be kept from swinging, with their flanges sloping downward, so as to keep the wet from driving in, whilst allowing the sound to float freely out and down upon the town. But a far more radical change is required in the machinery of bells. In these days of advanced mechanical appliances, it is disgraceful to reflect that exactly the same machinery is now used to swing bells as was used in China a thousand years ago.' (I always thought that it was the Russians who discovered the art of ringing.)

'A wheel with a rope around it—that and nothing more.' (What! no headstock.) 'The bell-works might occupy much less room, and the friction, by some of the simplest mechanical appliances might be reduced to almost nothing.' (The bellhangers would not like this, they would not be able to make things awkward for those who have to look after them or for the clockmakers who have fix clock hammers.)

'The belfry should be cultivated. The belfry should look like a fine engine room in a first class factory. It should be a pleasure, as well as an instructive lesson, to go into. When all was in motion, everything should be so neatly fitted and thoroughly oiled that we should hear no sound save the melodious booming of the bells themselves. At present, when the bells are rung the belfry appears to go into several violent convulsions, corresponding to the herculean efforts of the poor ringers below. At last the wheel is induced to move enough for the clapper to hit the bell an indefinite kind of bang—an arduous operation, which may or may not be repeated in some kind of rhythm, according as the ringer may or may not succeed in hitting it off with the eccentric machinery up aloft. We shall have to return to this subject at the close of our article.' (I have heard various

explanations as to what happens when a bell is rung, but this one should take first prize.)

Our critic devotes himself to quite a number of pages on the out of tune-ness of English bells, but I do not propose to bore the reader with this and will proceed to the subject at the close of his article.

'Meanwhile we cannot help repeating in more detail a suggestion made at the commencement of this article, and which occurs to us whenever we enter a dilapidated belfry full of creaking wheels and rotten timbers. Before we think of keyboards and barrels, let us supply some simple machinery for the common ringing of the bells. We hear about towers being run down by the vibrations of the bells; but it would be truer to say that they are rocked down by the friction of coarse machinery. If all the bellowing of the Prussian guns failed to make any material impression upon the fragile stone filigree work of the Strasbourg tower, it is not likely that the sound of bells has much to do with the ruin of brickwork and masonry.'

### LONDON'S BELLS

In that part of the article on the out of tune-ness of bells, which I have not repeated, Mr. Haweis says, 'Great bells in London are generally considered an insufferable nuisance. One church with a daily service materially injures house property in the adjoining streets.' (Now this does want sorting out: in one breath the sound of the bells damages neighbouring property and in the next breath he states that the sound of bells is not likely to ruin brickwork and masonry. Prussian guns may not have made much impression on Strasbourg tower, but he should have seen what bombs did.)

'In connection with the swing of a heavy bell there must always be considerable strain upon the tower. But the friction might be indefinitely diminished if the bell machinery worked smoothly, and the labour, at present herculean, of the poor bellringer might be reduced to almost zero were that machinery a little more scientific.' (I think the Editor and others that we know will agree, but read on.)

'When it is once understood that an improved system of tolling the bells would save Deans and Chapters all over the country enormous sums of money, by suspending the wear and tear which now goes on in all our cathedral towers, we cannot help thinking that little opposition will be raised by those who have to pay the damages. Bell-ringers are doubtless the most obstinate of men' (hear, hear); 'but if they were paid the same for working machinery which produced twice as much effect with less than half the labour, they too would soon give in to a better system. That ungrateful and barbarous rope and wheel, whose action upon the bell is now as uncertain, would probably disappear' (and so would the ringers, methinks) 'and give place to something like a handle, a piston, or even a keyboard and a set of wheels and pulleys. There is no reason whatever why, with a better tolling mechanism, one man might not ring half a dozen bells, instead of as at present, half a dozen men being often set to ring a single big bell. We make these suggestions with the more confidence because they have been favourably entertained by the

heads of one of the most eminent firms of horology in England. We are glad to say that in accordance with our suggestions these gentlemen have promised to give their attention to the development of 'better mechanism for the tolling of bells.' (Oh, dear, this chap does not seem to know the difference between ringing and tolling; anyhow, from the above it would appear that it is only the ringers at cathedrals whose heads are to be chopped off, you who ring at parish churches are to carry on sweating in the traditional manner.)

'In conclusion, let the reader try and remember the mechanical improvements which have been already realised, and let him by a stretch of imagination realise those which have in the foregoing pages been suggested. We shall then, indeed, pity him if he is able to read the following narration without emotion.

### THE DOOMED BELL

'When BIG TOM at York has to perform the arduous operation of striking the hour, a truly heart-rending spectacle is said to occur. A strong man, who has, doubtless, long since grown insensible to the sufferings of his victim, ascends the tower and, advancing towards a mighty hammer, raises it often to a most cruel height above the bell, and bangs out the hour with a ferocity more than enough to shatter the constitution of even Tom.

'We are credibly informed that bronze fragments of this doomed bell lie thickly scattered beneath him. An old bell which has gone cracked or out of tune has no real objection to be melted or recast—nay, it often bears the fact proudly inscribed upon its regenerated front, but to be deliberately pulverised by the brutal and irregular assaults of a remorseless destroyer, that is indeed too much for any bell to bear. We say it with shame and sorrow, Poor Tom of York, formerly called Great Peter, and weighing ten tons 15 cwt., is being literally beaten to death.'

According to the wife of one of the York ringers, who has ceased to beat his wife, first practised on Peter.

(I like that bit about the 'ungrateful and barbarous rope and wheel' and it gives one an idea: why not tie the obstreperous ringers to the wheel by the ungrateful and barbarous rope—how Dorothy Sayers could have made a story out of that.)

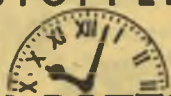
Well 'The Ringing World' has published some bilge in its time and I have read some articles in various books and magazines, but never have come across such utter tosh as this one on 'Bells and Belfries' by the Rev. H. R. Haweis, M.A. It is more likely than not that because of this particular article, the reverend gentleman would be considered an authority on bells.

This is meant to be a museum piece and not an historical record.—J.P.F.

Concluded

**SHREWSBURY, SHROPSHIRE.**—On Aug. 30th, at St. Chad's Church, 1,320 Grandsire Cinques: A. Glover 1, R. H. Newton 2, Miss B. Carter 3, B. G. Key (cond.) 4, Mrs. C. Barron 5, E. Coll-y 6, F. Cattell 7, F. Leach 8, P. J. Evans 9, F. Beddows 10, C. Barron 11, F. Mason 12. Rung for Evensong, and as a farewell compliment to the Vicar, Rev. W. Johnston.

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# THE BELLS OF OLD BAILEY

By CHARLES BROWN (Churchwarden of St. Sepulchre's)

(Continued from page 597)

Next, in 1698, comes another momentous event, for it would seem to have been in that year that the ring was made up to ten. Two new bells were cast by William Eldridge of Chertsey, a well-known bellfounder this time. Of these two bells, the smaller one remains in the tower to-day as a sacring bell. It hangs in a little frame of its own above the main frame and is regularly rung during the consecration at Holy Communion.

In 1699 the Vestry Minutes contain a puzzling entry:

'Mr. Richard Castleman, Mr. Peter Bradshaw and Mr. Elisha Mason appeared in Vestry and made a proposal to take down ye 9th Bell and new cast it and to bring it home and sett it upp again at their own charges in six weeks tyme and yt the same should be made useable and tunable. The Vestry accepted their propositions and referred it to the Ch. Wardens to see the said Bell taken downe and delivered to ye persons . . . weighing the same out and in: they the Church Wardens then taking Surety from the persons for ye performance of the matter proposed and that they be obliged to return the bell of the same weight and goodness of metall as it now is or better. And if any of its weight should be wanting that they do pay to the Ch.W. the value thereof. And that they doe not chip or cause any damage to the other bells.'

The Minute illustrates the considerable amount of detailed care which was lavished on the bells (though they were not quite so favoured as the organ, which boasted 'a committee for ye affairs of ye organ'). But who were the 'three persons' and what was wrong with the ninth bell? Elisha Mason later became a Churchwarden, and presumably the other two were parishioners. The ninth bell would have been one of the Hodson bells of 1667: possibly it had become cracked.

Before long there were yet more recastings. In 1701 the second bell (one of the two new Eldridge ones of 1698) was recast and yet another of the ring in 1712, when the Treasurer Churchwarden reported that 'a new bell was cast and hung up for approbation.' At the same time we hear the last of the 'great bell,' which had been taken down and laid up in the church. Its days were now numbered, for on December 17th, 1713, we read in the Minutes:

'Ordered that the great Bell that hangs in a Loft of the Steeple by itself and hath for some time been taken downe be sold by the Churchwardens to the best Chapman and applied to the use of the Church and the Bells.'

It was perhaps a rather sad end for such an old friend, despite the gruesome associations it had with those fearful executions.

For a few years all seems to have gone well and the ten bells rang merrily. They must have been well cared for and the Churchwardens' accounts show numerous small amounts spent on them including such items as 'sand and sweet herbs for the belfry.'

## THE RECASTING

But now was to follow the greatest event in the bells' history. The Churchwardens had at this time considerable amounts of money at their disposal for the upkeep of the church fabric and it was a period of continued repairs and alterations. In 1738 came the momentous decision to recast the whole ring of bells. The Vestry Minute runs:

'Ordered that all the bells except the old Treble, being nine bells in number, be taken down out of the steeple and new cast. And also that a new bell be cast to make up the said nine bells to Ten Bells to go together in Peal.'

The work was done by the great founder Samuel Knight, whose foundry was in the neighbouring parish of St. Andrew Holborn (probably in Shoe Lane). Six of these bells survive to-day, among them the ninth, which fortunately bears the inscription recording the work:

'Samuel Knight cast us and William Catlin made the frame and hung us all 1739.'

William Catlin's massive oak frame remains to this day, as solid and sound as the day it was made. William Catlin must have been closely connected with Samuel Knight, for we know that Robert Catlin succeeded Knight as a founder, so perhaps William was Robert's father.

The parishioners were rightly proud of their new ring of ten. Indeed it was not long before the bells achieved fame. On April 7th, 1741, members of the Society of Eastern Scholars, a ringing Society founded in 1733, rang the first known peal of Treble Bob Royal on the bells. But this peal was afterwards found to be false and on May 30th in the same year the College Youths came to the tower and, as recorded in the ringing chamber, rang a true peal of Treble Bob Royal.

The Knight bells gave excellent service and little was done to them until 1804, when No. 7 was recast by the elder Thomas Mears at the famous Whitechapel bell foundry. Three years later he also recast the treble.

It is interesting to note from the accounts the occasions on which the bells were rung at this period. Taking the year 1818 as an example, we find that they were rung on the following days: New Year's Day, the Queen's Birthday, Easter Day, St. George's Day, on the Churchwardens, etc, being sworn in, on the occasion of a Charity Sermon, King Charles' Restoration, the King's Coronation anniversary, the King's Accession anniversary, Gunpowder Plot and Christmas Day—an odd mixture of sacred and secular. On each occasion the sum of £1 11s. 6d. was paid out to the ringers.

In 1829 there was another disaster. On Lord Mayor's Day the bells were gaily ringing the Lord Mayor past the church when suddenly the tenor fell down with a terrific crash. As far as we know, nobody was hurt. The parish records draw a discreet veil of silence over the whole affair. Things were soon put right and the following year the damaged tenor was recast by the younger Thomas Mears at Whitechapel. At the same time No. 6 was also recast. The weight of the new tenor, 31 cwt., was slightly more than the old one.

Since that time there have been no recastings. In 1886 John Warner and Sons re-

hung one of the bells and Nos. 3, 4 and 5 (all Knight 1739 bells) were 'quartered' or turned on their headstocks so as to bring a fresh part of the sound bow under the blow of the clapper.

Finally, in 1905, the whole ring was rehung and new fittings were provided by Mears and Stainbank, who also put No. 8 on ball bearings at a later date. Otherwise the bells have not been altered since. They have not been rung since 1940. Before they can be rung again the tower will have to be strengthened considerably and the bells themselves restored and rehung. This would, of course, involve a very large expenditure and the money would have to be raised if the work were to be considered. But perhaps one day, after all these years of silence, the famous bells of the Old Bailey will ring out once again over the roofs of the City—the City which brought them into being and which I.O. doubt will help them to ring again.

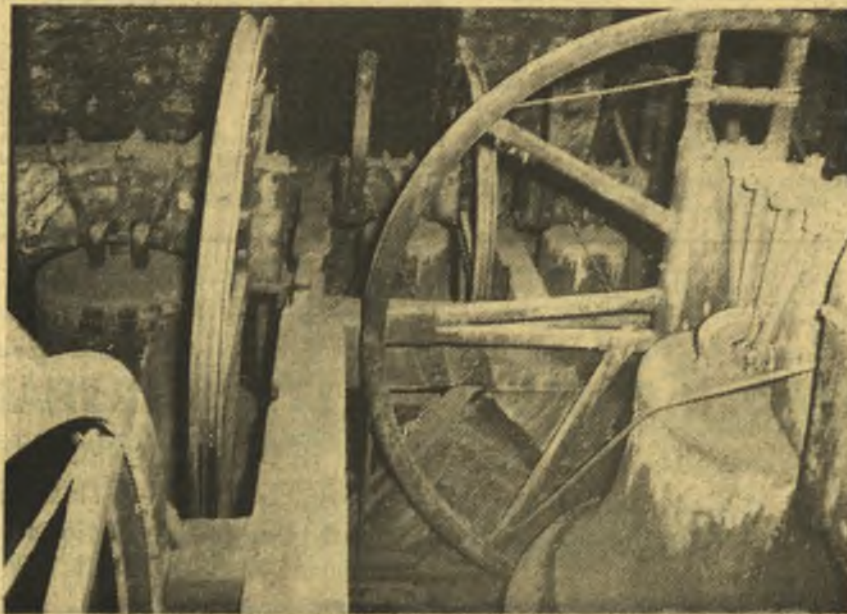
## 5,056 CLERKENWELL SURPRISE MAJOR

By STEPHEN IVIN.

23456	B	M	W	H
35264	X			
64523			2	2
54326				
42563	X			
65324				
42356				
63254				
45236				
45362	X			
26354				
52364				
43265				
23564				
36245	X			
24365				
62345				
32546				
32465	X			
32654	X			
25346	X			
34256				
53246				
23645				
23456	X			

Contains 20 4678's, 19 6578's, 18 6478's, 18 4578's, 18 5478's, 18 5678's.  
Rung at Daventry on May 10th, 1964.

ST. SEPULCHRE'S BELLS: Tenor in right foreground, No. 9 to the left and behind treble and No. 2.





## LEAPING AND SKIPPING

Dear Sir,—For about 300 years change ringing has remained basically unchanged. Techniques and theoretical knowledge have been developed to near perfection, but the basic idea of bells weaving their patterns by the interchange of adjacent bells remains unaltered.

Possibly this system originated because in the early days of ringing it was very difficult to move, with accuracy, more than one place at a time. Now, however, with modern bell-hanging and bell-control technique, such a system seems needlessly restrictive.

I should like, therefore, to put forward two new basic systems both of which are related to simple plain hunting.

The first is as follows:

12345678 This system contains exactly the same changes as a block of plain hunting. Each bell leads and lies behind a whole pull, but in proceeding from lead successive steps are made to 3rds, 2nds, 5ths, 4ths, 7ths, 6ths and 8ths place; the reverse order being used on leaving behind.

42618375 I propose that this system should be termed a 'leaping' as opposed to a 'plain' hunt.

21436587 It should be noted that the work of Plain Bob can be applied at the treble lead, the net effect then being to

short-circuit a section of the hunt instead of to dodge. I would name such a method Leaping Bob.

My second system is formed simply by omitting alternate rows in the plain hunt system, viz:

12345678 It contains, therefore, just half the changes in a block of plain hunting. There is no leading or lying and the blows are made successively in 1st, 3rds, 5ths, 7ths, 8ths, 6ths, 4ths and 2nds place. In this case of Plain Bob, lead ends are substituted,

places are made instead of dodges. (Such sudden near cessation of movement amid a whirl of activity should be attractive to the ear and call for finesse in bell control.)

This system I would propose to call a 'skipping' hunt and its method counterpart Skipping Bob.

Dare I hope that some brave hearts will try these systems out on the bells? After all, what better time to start than Leap Year?—Yours sincerely,

PHILIP H. WHITAKER.

Coleraine, County Derry, N. Ireland.

### 7,168 TREBLE BOB MAJOR

By AMBURN WILSON.

M	B	W	H	23456
1	—	2	2	36452
—	—	2	2	23564
1	—	2	2	65324
—	1	2	2	56423
2	—	2	2	24653
2	—	2	2	63542
2	—	2	2	52436
1	—	2	2	54326
2	—	2	2	36245
1	—	2	2	32465
2	—	1	2	25463
2	—	1	2	32654
—	—	2	2	56234
2	—	2	2	65432
1	—	2	2	34562
1	—	1	2	52643
1	—	1	2	63425
—	—	1	2	64235
1	—	1	2	25346
—	—	1	2	23456

Has the 60 course ends in two parts of ten courses each, each corresponding course of each part being the alternative calling. Rung for the first time at Birstwith, April 18th, 1964.

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### 5,184 QUEDGELEY SURPRISE MAJOR

By JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM

M W B H 23546

		X	—	23564
—	—	—	—	56234
—	—	—	—	26435
—	—	X	—	63254
—	—	—	2	62534
2	—	—	—	42635
—	—	X	—	42356

Repeat twice.

True to any method with Yorkshire i.e.'s. and f.c.h. 24365, 46253 and 32546.

Rung at All Hallows', Tottenham, on June 19th, 1964, conducted by R. C. Kippin.

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On Sunday, August 30th, at Rotherham Parish Church prior to Evensong, a farewell presentation was made to Ian Tilling, who, having recently obtained a B.Sc. degree, is sailing to Africa to take up work in Uganda. His fellow ringers presented him with a leather writing case, in appreciation of his loyal service as a ringer over a period of 8 years. A farewell quarter peal of Grandsire Caters followed.

The first peal on the new eight at Thorncombe was marked by three first peal, a first 'inside' and a first as conductor.

Mr. John W. McClenahan, of St. Albans, has left for Philadelphia, U.S.A., to study for the degree of M.Sc., during the next two years.

At the eighth attempt and after twelve years Mr. Alan Carveth, the president of the Truro Diocesan Guild, has succeeded in ringing a peal at Helston.

In the peal of Stedman Cinques at Lincoln Cathedral by Cambridge University Guild on June 13th (page 582) the seventh was rung by L. R. H. Smith and the eighth by M. Press, and not as printed.

We are happy to announce a belfry engagement of two ringers from St. Anne's Parish Church, St. Annes-on-Sea, Lancs—Miss Carol Pickup, daughter of the Vicar's warden, and Mr. Alex Maitland.

Mr. George E. Symonds, of Ipswich, now in his 90th year, stood in a peal of Grandsire Caters at Stradbroke, and rang the third in his usual masterly style, for the birth of his fourth great grandchild.

Ten-year-old David A. Lawrence was taken to Grafton Underwood to ring his first quarter on August 30th. His own bells at Great Addington were thought to be a little too heavy for him. The visit was successful.

Four Cowbridge Grammar School ringers at this year's school camp at Llangorse, Brecknock, rang a quarter on the four (tenor 10 cwt. approx.) at Llangasty, on the edge of Llangorse Lake. This was the first quarter of Minimus by all, and the first quarter rung by a band consisting entirely of boys from the school.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

Encouraging additional orders have been received by Mr. W. H. Viggers, of 37, Highfield Gardens, Aldershot, for his ringers' ash or pin trays which were introduced to the Exercise three weeks ago. Specimens are available. See advertisement in this week's issue.

Omitted from Mr. A. P. Cannon's vital statistics is the note that his 1,000 peals have been rung in 67 counties.

Mr. A. Patrick Cannon beat Mr. J. W. Cotton, of Overseal, by a short head for his 1,000 peals. When Pat rang his, Joe was six behind! Another happy event is pending!

It is regretted that the place names for the London County Association meeting on September 11th were transposed in the notice. Afternoon ringing is at Bethnal Green and evening ringing at Stepney—see revised notice.

Will any 'old soldier' who wishes to stand in a peal attempt on November 11th contact Mr. T. E. Sone, Castle Hill, Brenchley, Kent, or Mr. L. Stilwell, 34, Bramber Road, Worthing.

Mr. Colin H. Cook suggests that the last quarter peal at Chartham, Kent, was at least 16 years ago. Mr. F. C. W. Knight tells us of 1,800 of Minor on August 9th, 1963, and Mr. W. Ring of a quarter of St. Clement's College Bob on August 8th, 1962.

The energy of Douglas Snoswell in improving the 'go' of Ditchling, Sussex, bells during the past year is commended by a correspondent. For his 19th birthday a complimentary quarter was rung on the bells on September 2nd.

The quarter peal at Camborne on September 2nd was not only a welcome to Mr. E. H. Langley to Cornwall for which he expresses his thanks. It celebrated also the birth in Bulawayo, Southern Rhodesia, of a son to his daughter Sylvia.

On August 29th Mr. H. Milborne climbed the stairs to the tower at All Saints' Church, Castle Cary. Although this was his 92nd birthday and his sight is failing, he joined in ringing rounds with the other ringers present. He has been a ringer for over 50 years and this was his first ring for ten years.

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## MR. WILFRED WILLIAMS' PEAL TOUR EAST AND WEST YORKSHIRE

### THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

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

Philip Mehew .. .. Treble	*John C. Eisel .. .. 6
W. Eric Critchley .. .. 2	David J. Llewellyn .. .. 7
F. John Nelson .. .. 3	David T. Darby .. .. 8
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 4	Tudor P. Edwards .. .. 9
Alan F. Thirst .. .. 5	Wilfred Williams .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. K. Lewis.

Conducted by Wilfred Williams.

\* First peal of London Royal.

BOTTESFORD, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb.

Tudor P. Edwards .. .. Treble	Rev. Giles C. Galley .. .. 5
William A. Theobald .. .. 2	John S. Mason .. .. 6
Arthur H. Reed .. .. 3	Rev. Roger O. Fry .. .. 7
Philip Mehew .. .. 4	Ralph G. Edwards .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. Roberts.

Conducted by Tudor P. Edwards.

### FOLLOWING FOR THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

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

On Sun., Aug. 16, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb. in D.

Philip Mehew .. .. Treble	John S. Mason .. .. 6
F. John Nelson .. .. 2	Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 7
John C. Eisel .. .. 3	Rev. Roger O. Fry .. .. 8
Rev. Giles C. Galley .. .. 4	Ralph G. Edwards .. .. 9
David J. Llewellyn .. .. 5	Peter Border .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Peter Border.

HEPTONSTALL.—At the Church of St. Thomas.

On Mon., Aug. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lb. in E.

Arthur H. Reed .. .. Treble	Peter Border .. .. 5
F. John Nelson .. .. 2	Tudor P. Edwards .. .. 6
John C. Eisel .. .. 3	Philip Mehew .. .. 7
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 4	Wilfred Williams .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. Ivin.

Conducted by Peter Border.

LIVERSEDGE.—At Christ Church.

On Tues., Aug. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5024 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 7 lb. in F.

Tudor P. Edwards .. .. Treble	F. John Nelson .. .. 5
Peter Border .. .. 2	David J. Llewellyn .. .. 6
Arthur H. Reed .. .. 3	Rev. Giles C. Galley .. .. 7
John S. Mason .. .. 4	Rev. Roger O. Fry .. .. Tenor

Composed by James Topp.

Conducted by Tudor P. Edwards.

OSSETT.—At the Church of the Holy and Undivided Trinity.

On Tues., Aug. 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5000 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 27 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lb. in D.

Philip Mehew .. .. Treble	John C. Eisel .. .. 6
Tudor P. Edwards .. .. 2	David J. Llewellyn .. .. 7
William A. Theobald .. .. 3	Ralph G. Edwards .. .. 8
F. John Nelson .. .. 4	Peter Border .. .. 9
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 5	Wilfred Williams .. .. Tenor

Arranged by R. W. Pipe.

Conducted by Peter Border.

DONCASTER.—At the Church of St. George.

On Wed., Aug. 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 30 cwt. 17 lb. in C sharp.

Arthur H. Reed .. .. Treble	Rev. Giles C. Galley .. .. 5
William A. Theobald .. .. 2	Philip Mehew .. .. 6
Tudor P. Edwards .. .. 3	Rev. Roger O. Fry .. .. 7
David J. Llewellyn .. .. 4	Peter Border .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. Ivin.

Conducted by Peter Border.

HEDON.—At the Church of St. Augustine.

On Thurs., Aug. 20, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in E.

Arthur H. Reed .. .. Treble	Peter Border .. .. 5
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 2	*John C. Eisel .. .. 6
F. John Nelson .. .. 3	Ralph G. Edwards .. .. 7
Philip Mehew .. .. 4	Wilfred Williams .. .. Tenor

Composed by Dennis Knox.

Conducted by Peter Border.

\* First peal of Bristol.

BEVERLEY.—At the Minster Church of St. John-the-Evangelist.

On Thurs., Aug. 20, 1964, in 3 Hours and 34 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 PUDSEY SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 41 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb. in C.

Wilfred Williams .. .. Treble	Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 6
Tudor P. Edwards .. .. 2	David J. Llewellyn .. .. 7
Rev. Giles C. Galley .. .. 3	Philip Mehew .. .. 8
F. John Nelson .. .. 4	Rev. Roger O. Fry .. .. 9
William A. Theobald .. .. 5	Peter Border .. .. Tenor

Composed by G. Lindoff.

Conducted by Wilfred Williams.

First peal in the method on the bells.

NORTON-JUXTA-MALTON.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Fri., Aug. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb. in F.

Rev. Roger O. Fry .. .. Treble	David J. Llewellyn .. .. 5
Tudor P. Edwards .. .. 2	Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 6
Arthur H. Reed .. .. 3	Peter Border .. .. 7
Rev. Giles C. Galley .. .. 4	Wilfred Williams .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. Ivin.

Conducted by Tudor P. Edwards.

WHITBY.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Aug. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5000 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 19 cwt. 11 lb. in E.

Philip Mehew .. .. Treble	Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 6
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 2	David J. Llewellyn .. .. 7
William A. Theobald .. .. 3	Tudor P. Edwards .. .. 8
B. Gillian Schofield .. .. 4	Ralph G. Edwards .. .. 9
John C. Eisel .. .. 5	Wilfred Williams .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

## TWELVE AND TEN BELL PEALS

### THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sun., Aug. 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 SPICED SURPRISE MAXIMUS

In two methods, being 48 of Primrose and 4,992 of Cambridge; with one change of method.

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 25 lb. in D.

Basil Jones .. .. Treble	Alan McFall .. .. 7
Robert B. Smith .. .. 2	John Robinson .. .. 8
Richard S. Starkie .. .. 3	F. John Nelson .. .. 9
Tudor P. Edwards .. .. 4	A. Peter Whitehead .. .. 10
Giles B. Thompson .. .. 5	Derek A. Ashton .. .. 11
V. David Jenner .. .. 6	Denis Mottershead .. .. Tenor

Composed by Frederick Dench.

Conducted by Robert B. Smith.

### THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

DERBY.—At the Cathedral Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

No. 3 version.

Tenor 19 cwt.

*Malcolm E. Wade .. .. Treble	*John B. Pickup .. .. 6
Denis A. Frith .. .. 2	*Alan E. Hartley .. .. 7
*David G. Wilford .. .. 3	John E. Cook .. .. 8
Martin C. Faulkes .. .. 4	A. Maxwell Lindsey .. .. 9
William A. Lacey .. .. 5	*R. Kingsley Mason .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. K. Lewis.

Conducted by William A. Lacey.

\* First peal of Royal in the method.

LEICESTER.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Martin.

On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 35 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5005 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 25 cwt. 20 lb. in D.

Donald G. Clift .. .. Treble	John Hartless .. .. 7
Jennifer M. Cook .. .. 2	Shirley Burton .. .. 8
Herrick B. Bowley .. .. 3	R. Roger Savory .. .. 9
Michael J. Best .. .. 4	Philip N. Tubbs .. .. 10
Raymond Haines .. .. 5	Robert C. Kippin .. .. 11
Frank L. Harris .. .. 6	Lewis F. Cobb .. .. Tenor

Composed by Shirley Burton (No. 9). Conducted by Frank L. Harris.

### THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

SOUTHWELL, Notts.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., July 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 45 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5237 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 26 cwt.

Jean F. Woolford .. .. Treble	Colin W. Reed .. .. 7
Anne E. Bateson .. .. 2	Geoffrey Paul .. .. 8
John Freeman .. .. 3	James W. Raithby .. .. 9
Joan Beresford .. .. 4	Frank J. Matthews .. .. 10
Beryl N. Reed .. .. 5	James A. D. Woolford .. .. 11
Jack L. Millhouse .. .. 6	John Walden .. .. Tenor

Composed by John Carter.

Conducted by John Freeman.



**NOTTINGHAM.**—At the Church of St. Peter.  
On Sat., Aug. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**  
Tenor 20 cwt. 3 qr. 2 lb. in E flat.

Geoffrey Paul .. .. Treble	*Harold F. Gibson .. .. 6
Anne E. Bateson .. .. 2	George H. Randles .. .. 7
Norah M. Randles .. .. 3	Peter A. Sharp .. .. 8
Joyce M. Gurnhill .. .. 4	John Walden .. .. 9
Jack L. Millhouse .. .. 5	Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

\* First peal of Royal.

**THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**  
**WALSALL.** Staffs.—At the Church of St. Matthew.  
On Sat., Aug. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 26 cwt. 18 lb. in D.

Frank Osbaldiston .. .. Treble	Alan E. McFall .. .. 7
Derek P. Yates .. .. 2	A. Peter Whitehead .. .. 8
Alan A. Potts .. .. 3	William H. Dowse .. .. 9
Harold C. Lonyan .. .. 4	Brian J. Woodruffe .. .. 10
John Worth .. .. 5	Basil Jones .. .. 11
Robert J. Warrilow .. .. 6	Brian Harris .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. Carter.

Conducted by John Worth.

**THE SUFFOLK GUILD.**  
**STRADBROKE.** Suffolk.—At the Church of All Saints.  
On Wed., Aug. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS**  
Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in E flat.

Percy May .. .. Treble	Ernest G. Pearce .. .. 6
Cecil W. Pipe .. .. 2	Frank B. Lufkin .. .. 7
George E. Symonds .. .. 3	John W. Blythe .. .. 8
*Lawrence Pizzey .. .. 4	H. William Barrett .. .. 9
*Alan R. Bridges .. .. 5	†Harry B. Fuller .. .. Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.

Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.

\* First peal of Grandsire Caters. † First on ten bells.

Rung for the birth of the fourth great-grandchild to the ringer of the third, now in his 90th year; also a birthday compliment to the treble ringer.

**TYNESIDE AND BIRMINGHAM RINGERS' PEAL WEEK**

**THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
**BROUGHTON.** Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.  
On Mon., Aug. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5056 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 15 cwt. 46 lb.

Iris Thomson .. .. Treble	Eric N. Harrison .. .. 5
John E. Anderson .. .. 2	Martin D. Fellows .. .. 6
M. Elaine Murcott .. .. 3	J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. 7
Michael J. Fellows .. .. 4	George E. Fearn .. .. Tenor

Composed by Harold G. Cashmore.

Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

**WHITCHURCH.** Shropshire.—At the Church of St. Alkmund.  
On Mon., Aug. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 19 cwt. 62 lb. in E.

Henry Johnson's Variation.	Tenor 19 cwt. 62 lb. in E.
John E. Anderson .. .. Treble	Martin D. Fellows .. .. 5
George E. Fearn .. .. 2	Michael J. Fellows .. .. 6
Ann E. Fellows .. .. 3	Eric N. Harrison .. .. 7
Susan Funnell .. .. 4	J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

**SHIFNAL.** Shropshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.  
On Fri., Aug. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 18 cwt. 93 lb. in E flat.

*Eric N. Harrison .. .. Treble	Maurice G. Ingram .. .. 5
*John E. Anderson .. .. 2	David R. Ingram .. .. 6
Charles A. S. Webb .. .. 3	Michael J. Fellows .. .. 7
J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. 4	George E. Fearn .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. Law James.

Conducted by Michael J. Fellows.

\* 100th peal together.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS**

**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
**THORNCOMBE.** Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
On Sun., Aug. 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**  
Tenor 20 cwt. 20 lb.

G. Farley .. .. Treble	H. Bonfield .. .. 5
A. Parris .. .. 2	†F. White .. .. 6
*Ray Farley .. .. 3	†R. Farley .. .. 7
A. Atyeo .. .. 4	†L. Ebdom .. .. Tenor

Conducted by H. Bonfield.

\* First peal 'inside.' † First peal. First as conductor. First on new eight.

**THE BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**  
**BRIDLINGTON.** Yorks.—At the Priory Church of St. Mary.  
On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**  
Tenor 26 cwt.

Ian G. Campbell .. .. Treble	F. Charles Hobson .. .. 5
*J. Ian Booth .. .. 2	*David S. Johnson .. .. 6
John S. Rank .. .. 3	Richard D. Gibson .. .. 7
*Graham K. Smith .. .. 4	Ronald Ducker .. .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. Worsley.

Conducted by Ronald Ducker.

\* First peal of Kent Major.

**THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.**  
**BOURN.** Cambridgeshire.—At the Church of SS. Helen and Mary.  
On Wed., June 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**  
In seven methods, being 1,600 Rutland, 1,600 London, 480 Cambridge, 480 Yorkshire, 320 Superlative, 320 Lincolnshire and 256 Bristol.  
Tenor 14 cwt. 16 lb.

J. A. Harrison (Sidney) .. Treble	*C. M. Press (King's) .. 5
J. M. H. Hunter (Trinity) .. 2	C. H. Rogers (Emmanuel) .. 6
V. Nutton (Selwyn) .. .. 3	*K. J. Darvill (St. Cath's) .. 7
I. M. Smith (Peterhouse) .. 4	A. S. Hudson (Clare) .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Hadley Hunter.

\* First peal of Spliced Surprise. First of Spliced Surprise as conductor.

**THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**DAVENTRY.** Northants.—At the Church of the Holy Cross.  
On Sun., Aug. 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.  
**A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.

Donald G. Clift .. .. Treble	Richard J. Bowden .. .. 5
Avril Ivin .. .. 2	Patrick I. Chapman .. .. 6
Elisabeth A. G. Bowden .. 3	Stephen Ivin .. .. 7
Colin Sweeney .. .. 4	Peter Border .. .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

Conducted by Peter Border.

**CLAYBROOKE.** Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Peter.  
On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb. in E flat.

Ian P. Unsworth .. .. Treble	Ian D. Thompson .. .. 5
Elisabeth A. G. Bowden .. 2	John W. T. Taylor .. .. 6
Hubert E. Ashley .. .. 3	Richard J. Bowden .. .. 7
L. Michael Callow .. .. 4	Peter Border .. .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

Conducted by Peter Border.

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
**FRITTENDEN.** Kent.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
On Mon., Aug. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**  
Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in F sharp.

Cyril S. Jarrett .. .. Treble	David S. Osenton .. .. 5
*Dorothy M. Groves .. .. 2	Trevor A. Cross .. .. 6
S. Geoffrey Waters .. .. 3	Bernard F. L. Groves .. .. 7
Ernest J. Ladd .. .. 4	Martin L. Howe .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. K. Lewis.

Conducted by Martin L. Howe.

\* First peal.

Rung as a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. C. Groves, parents of Dorothy and Bernard, ringers of second and seventh.

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
**MILNROW.** Lancashire.—At the Church of St. James.  
On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**  
Tenor 18 cwt.

Tudor P. Edwards .. .. Treble	*John Robinson .. .. 5
Derek Butterworth .. .. 2	*Derek A. Ashton .. .. 6
*John A. Booth .. .. 3	F. John Nelson .. .. 7
*S. Michael J. Young .. .. 4	*Peter Watson .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. Washbrook.

Conducted by Tudor P. Edwards.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.** Lanes.—At the Church of St. Peter.  
On Tues., Aug. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**  
In eight methods, containing 1,600 London, 1,440 Rutland, 480 Bristol and 320 each of Cambridge, Superlative, Yorkshire, Pudsey and Lincolnshire; with 129 changes of method. Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. in E.

Christine Andrew .. .. Treble	Barry S. Sullivan .. .. 5
Frederick Shallcross .. .. 2	Neal Bennett .. .. 6
Roger J. Lumley .. .. 3	Harold B. Schofield .. .. 7
Derek A. Ashton .. .. 4	*A. Peter Whitehead .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. Eric Critchley.

Conducted by Frederick Shallcross.

\* First peal of Spliced Surprise.



WHITWORTH, Lancs.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew.

On Thurs., Aug. 27, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

**A PEAL OF 5152 LANCASHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt, 3 qr. 1 lb. in F.

Derek Butterworth .. Treble	Richard J. Parker .. 5
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. 2	John P. Partington .. 6
John H. Fielden .. 3	Jeffrey Kershaw .. 7
*Margaret E. Fort .. 4	J. Barry Pickup .. Tenor

Composed by J. Martin.

Conducted by Derek Butterworth.

\* 50th peal. First in the method for all the band.

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

LEICESTER.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., Aug. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5184 LINDUM SURPRISE MAJOR**

R. Kingsley Mason .. Treble	David G. Wilford .. 5
Malcolm E. Wade .. 2	William A. Lacey .. 6
Derek M. Sawyer .. 3	A. Maxwell Lindsey .. 7
Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. 4	Alan E. Hartley .. Tenor

Composed by John R. Mayne.

Conducted by William A. Lacey.

First peal in the method by all the band, for the Guild, and on the bells.

Tenor 8 cwt, 2 qr. 15 lb.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

SOUTHGATE, Middlesex.—At Christ Church.

On Sat., Aug. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 SOUTHGATE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 24 cwt, 3 qr. 7 lb. in D.

Joan Spreadbury .. Treble	Alick Cutler .. 5
Monica M. Moore .. 2	Thomas J. Lock .. 6
S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. 3	Roger Baldwin .. 7
Ruth M. Foreman .. 4	John R. Mayne .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivins.

Conducted by John R. Mayne.

First peal in the method by all the band.

WILLESDEN, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Thurs., Aug. 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 RAMSGATE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 9 cwt, 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

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

Composed by Philip G. K. Davies.

Conducted by John R. Mayne.

First peal in the method.

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.**

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Tues., Aug. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

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

Richard J. Clifton .. Treble	Arthur E. Rowley .. 5
Raymond Benfield .. 2	G. Ronald Edwards .. 6
Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. 3	Dan S. Pont .. 7
Joseph W. Cotton .. 4	Roland Beniston .. Tenor

Composed by Walter P. Whitehead.

Conducted by Roland Beniston.

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

CHIPPING NORTON, Oxon.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt, 1 qr. 4 lb. in F sharp.

Andrew Jobson .. Treble	*Geoffrey K. Cook .. 5
P. Gerald McIlhone .. 2	Robert Partridge .. 6
Steven Franklin .. 3	Andrew J. Howes .. 7
Roger Heyworth .. 4	Frank Absolom .. Tenor

Composed by H. W. Wilde.

Conducted by P. Gerald McIlhone.

\* First peal of Major.

OXFORD.—At the Church of St. Ebbe.

On Tues., Aug. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 4 cwt, 3 qr. 19 lb.

Edward R. Venn .. Treble	Charles Coles .. 5
Alec Gammon .. 2	Christopher C. Clarke .. 6
Alan R. Pink .. 3	Cyril H. Kinch .. 7
Peter J. Heritage .. 4	*Roy H. Jones .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. Roberts.

Conducted by Alan R. Pink.

\* First peal in the method.

Rung on the Feast of St. Ebba.

**RAMSGATE SURPRISE MAJOR**

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2nds place i.e. 15738264. 4ths place bobs.

**THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.**

HELSTON, Cornwall.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt, 3 qr. 7 lb. in F.

Frances M. Rickard .. Treble	Geoffrey W. Taysom .. 5
Anthony Locke .. 2	Rev. A. S. Roberts .. 6
Frances M. Massey .. 3	Alan Carveth .. 7
George W. Massey .. 4	Anthony J. Davidson .. Tenor

Composed by J. Barker.

Conducted by Anthony J. Davidson.

First eight bell peal as conductor.

**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**

OLD SWINFORD, STOURBRIDGE, Worcestershire.—At the Church

of St. Mary.

On Sun., Aug. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt, 3 qr. 12 lb. in F sharp.

Martin D. Fellows .. Treble	Paul W. Webb .. 5
Michael J. Fellows .. 2	John C. Eisel .. 6
*Ian Lloyd .. 3	Gerald C. Hemming .. 7
Arthur C. Berry .. 4	Geoffrey J. Hemming .. Tenor

Composed by Rev. H. Law James.

Conducted by Gerald C. Hemming.

\* First peal of Lincolnshire 'inside.'

Rung on the conductor's birthday.

**NON-ASSOCIATION.**

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

On Sat., Aug. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

J. R. Pritchard's Four-Part.	Tenor 9 cwt, 10 lb.
Tom Chapman (Winchester	Frank T. Blagrove (Middlesex
and Portsmouth D.G.) Treble—2	C.A. and London D.G.) 5—6
Frank C. Price (Middlesex	Tony Price (Middlesex C.A.
C.A. and London D.G.) 3—4	and London D.G.) 7—Tenor

Conducted by Frank C. Price.

The first all double-handed peal on eight tower bells.

In memoriam and as a thanksgiving for the life and work of Albert Arthur Hughes, J.P., of the Whitechapel Bell Foundry, London, by his friends.

**SIX BELL PEALS**

**THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**

CHURCH LAWFORD, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Wed., Aug. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents.	Tenor 7 cwt, 3 qr. 5 lb. in B flat.
Leslie A. Whewall .. Treble	John Watkins .. 4
Jill Belcher .. 2	*Peter Locke .. 5
K. Paul Gilliver .. 3	Aubrey G. Eveleigh .. Tenor

Conducted by Aubrey G. Eveleigh.

\* First peal.

CHURCH LAWFORD, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Tues., Sept. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven extents.	Tenor 7 cwt, 3 qr. 5 lb.
*Andrew K. Putnam .. Treble	David J. Allen .. 4
Keith F. Gardner .. 2	Ian P. Unsworth .. 5
†Raymond D. Hart .. 3	Geoffrey Pratt .. Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey Pratt.

\* First peal. † First of Surprise Minor.

Rung to mark the retirement of the Rev. H. C. Manly, a Minister in the above Diocese for over 40 years.

**THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

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

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In four methods, being two extents each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent, Oxford T.B. and one extent of Plain Bob.	Tenor 64 cwt.
Richard H. Mills .. Treble	W. John Couperthwaite .. 4
*Peter J. Joyce .. 2	Derek Cox .. 5
Beryl R. Simpson .. 3	Charles H. Kippin .. Tenor

Conducted by Charles H. Kippin.

\* 25th peal for the Guild.

Rung to celebrate the wedding of the Rector's daughter, Miss Angela Hutchinson, to Mr. Richard Rand, on this day.

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## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

PETHAM, Kent.—At the Church of All Saints.  
On Wed., Aug. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Seven different extents Tenor 6½ cwt. in B flat.  
David L. Cawley .. Treble Martin Ostler .. 4  
Cyril W. J. Beeching .. 2 Frank C. W. Knight .. 5  
Graham G. Firman .. 3 Dennis A. Chapman .. Tenor  
Conducted by Dennis A. Chapman.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

EXTON, Rutland.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Tues., Aug. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Consisting of seven extents, viz: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Kent T.B., (3) Double Court, (4) St. Clement's, (5, 6 and 7) Plain Bob.  
\*John L. Queen .. Treble \*Andrew J. Jobson .. 4  
Ann E. Fellows .. 2 \*Roger J. Gay .. 5  
\*David J. Midgley .. 3 Philip W. Gay .. Tenor  
Conducted by Philip W. Gay.

\* Most methods for a peal. Most methods as conductor and first of Minor as conductor. Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 10 lb. in G.

SAPCOTE, Leicestershire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Tues., Aug. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods: (1) Ipswich, (2) Durham, (3) York, (4) Bourne, (5) Beverley, (6) Surfleet, (7) Cambridge.  
Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in A flat.

Michael E. Brown .. Treble K. Paul Gilliver .. 4  
Christine J. Stratford .. 2 John Watkins .. 5  
Lawrence Watkins .. 3 Brian L. Burrows .. Tenor  
Conducted by Michael E. Brown.

The conductor has now called a peal from each bell in this tower.  
Rung for the ruby wedding of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Brown, parents of the conductor.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

QUADRING, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Margaret.

On Sat., Aug. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In 13 methods: (1) Cambridge Surprise, (2) Double Oxford, Thelwall, St. Clement's and Childwall Bob, (3) Single Oxford and Hereward Bob, (4) Beverley and Surfleet Surprise, (5) Double Bob and Fulbeck, (6) Kent T.B., (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. in F sharp.  
Philip H. Reynolds .. Treble David R. Baxter .. 4  
Alan G. Payne .. 2 Derek J. Jones .. 5  
Keith R. Davey .. 3 Roger D. Bailey .. Tenor  
Conducted by Derek J. Jones.

First peal as conductor.

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

On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Single Oxford, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 7½ cwt.  
J. Martin Thorley .. Treble \*Keith R. Davey .. 4  
Alan G. Payne .. 2 \*Derek J. Jones .. 5  
Roger D. Bailey .. 3 David R. Baxter .. Tenor  
Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.

\* 25th peal together.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

PETERBOROUGH, Northants.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., Aug. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being an extent each of Cambridge, Surfleet, Beverley, Ipswich, Durham, York and Bourne. Tenor 8½ cwt.  
Roy Spencer .. Treble George W. Massey .. 4  
Raymond H. Daw .. 2 David Baxter .. 5  
Derek J. Jones .. 3 Ronald C. Noon .. Tenor  
Conducted by Ronald C. Noon.

CRANFORD, Northants.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of Cambridge and two each of Kent T.B., St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 2 lb. in G.  
Mary R. Bloxam .. Treble Sheila J. Staley .. 4  
Anthony D. Sansom .. 2 \*Brian Yeomans .. 5  
John G. Mitchell .. 3 Murray A. Coleman .. Tenor  
Conducted by Murray A. Coleman.

\* First of Minor.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

NEWARK-ON-TRENT, Notts.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

On Wed., Aug. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 17 lb.  
Frederick G. Hooper .. Treble C. Anthony Parsons .. 4  
David D. Parsons .. 2 F. William Midwinter .. 5  
Clarence F. Briggs .. 3 Harold Stevenson .. Tenor  
Conducted by Frederick G. Hooper.

Rung on the front six. First peal of Minor on the bells.  
A birthday compliment to both Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Hooper.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

PATSHULL, Staffs.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 18 lb.  
Remi M. Hodister .. Treble Ernest C. Morrall .. 4  
E. Marion Key .. 2 Barnabas G. Key .. 5  
Cyril T. Collins .. 3 Roy K. Mowforth .. Tenor  
Conducted by Barnabas G. Key.

Rung in honour of the wedding this day of Miss E. H. Boulton, daughter of the Vicar of Patshull, and Mr. P. Clarke.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

BARKING, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Fri., Aug. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Double Court, Cambridge, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in G.  
Robert E. Lester .. Treble Frank B. Lufkin .. 4  
Lawrence R. Pizze .. 2 John L. Girt .. 5  
Alice E. J. Lester .. 3 Ernest C. Pearce .. Tenor  
Conducted by Robert E. Lester.

Ringer of 5 has 'circled the tower' to peals.  
A 21st birthday compliment to Peter R. J. Lester.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BARCOMBE, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Aug. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41½ Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being four different extents. Tenor 9 cwt. 2 lb.  
\*Stella Rice .. Treble †John R. Norris .. 4  
†Pamela R. Gough .. 2 Harry W. Brown .. 5  
†Valerie Mephram .. 3 Stanley W. Brown .. Tenor  
Conducted by Stanley W. Brown.

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

Rung in honour of the christening of Jennifer Rosemary and Stuart Lawrence, daughter and son respectively of Rosemary and Stanley Brown and Joan and Harry Brown, at Hurstpierpoint the previous Sunday.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leics.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Sat., Aug. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being two extents each of Dedworth and Wychbold, six extents of St. Helen's and 32 of Grandsire (ten callings). Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in B.  
Frank R. Tonge .. Treble Christopher H. Smith .. 4  
Geoffrey K. Dodd .. 2 Reginald F. Crook .. 5  
\*Penelope A. Goddard .. 3 \*John W. Cheney .. Tenor  
Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

\* First peal in more than one method.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leics.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Sat., Aug. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 17 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being six 240's (Morris's and Pitman's) and 30 extents (ten callings). Tenor 2 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb.  
Reginald F. Crook .. Treble Frank S. Tonge .. 4  
Geoffrey K. Dodd .. 2 Christopher H. Smith .. 5  
Penelope A. Goddard .. 3 John W. Cheney .. Tenor  
Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

HANLEY SWAN, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Gabriel.

On Fri., July 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being three extents of Single Oxford Bob and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.  
Joseph E. Lawrence .. Treble \*John Smith .. 4  
Charles Haylings .. 2 Arthur C. Berry .. 5  
Frank Lawrence .. 3 John Clements .. Tenor  
Conducted by John Clements.

\* First peal of Minor 'inside'.  
A wedding compliment to R. George Morris and Ruth M. Simons, married at Malvern Link, July 8, 1964.

## HANDBELL PEAL

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

MACCLESFIELD, Cheshire.—At 20, Tytherington Court.

On Tues., Aug. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 15 in C.  
\*Alan A. Potts .. 1—2 John Worth .. 5—6  
Robert B. Smith (cond.) 3—4 \*Peter T. Dale .. 7—8  
Composed by J. Nicholl.  
\* First peal of Treble Bob on handbells.



## HALF PEAL

**SHIFNAL, SALOP.**—On August 29th, 2,520 Grandsire Triples: J. Cranmer 1, Mrs. E. M. Key 2, J. Rich 3, B. G. Key (cond.) 4, P. J. Johnson 5, D. W. Bates 6, R. M. Hodister 7, S. Illidge 8. A compliment to the Rev. Tony Villiers, curate at St. Andrew's, Shifnal, and Miss Jean Tomlinson, of Codsall, whose engagement was announced this week.

**BARROW, Lincs.**—On August 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Betty F. Stracey (first quarter) 1, R. A. Hunt 2, T. A. Relf 3, C. F. Baxter 4, J. R. Holmes 5, M. E. Stracey (cond.) 6. Rung to welcome Col. Relf home on his return from Voluntary Service Overseas in New Guinea.

**BATTLE, SUSSEX.**—On Aug. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: S. D. Upton 1, A. R. Baldock 2, I. V. J. Smith (cond.) 3, D. R. Fuller 4, Christine Fuller 5, A. Jackson 6, S. Humphrey (first of Triples and of Grandsire) 7, I. S. Holland 8. A farewell to Roy and Christine Fuller, shortly moving to Dorset. Also on Aug. 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples (from Holt's Original): A. R. Baldock 1, G. Pullinger 2, Janet M. Percy 3, Christine M. Fuller 4, R. W. R. Percy 5, S. Humphrey 6, I. V. J. Smith (cond.) 7, G. O. Prodder 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam the Very Rev. Wilfred Wadham Youard, Dean of Battle, 1924 to 1945, died August 27th. Rung on the eve of his funeral.

**BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.**—On August 30th, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Grandsire): Miss H. Cippertwaite 1, Miss L. Doone 2, Miss B. Fisher (cond.) 3, W. R. Chandler 4, R. J. Brown 5. For Matins.

**BISHOP'S STORTFORD, HERTS.**—On Aug. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss H. Travers (first quarter) 1, H. White 2, R. Hayden 3, F. Bird 4, R. Walker (first of Grandsire Triples) 5, E. Rochester 6, D. Kingston (cond.) 7, A. Richardson 8. For morning service.

**BREADSALL, DERBY.**—On August 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: C. J. Parkin 1, A. Burton 2, G. Futers (cond.) 3, R. J. Tanner 4, D. W. Parkin 5, J. E. Morton 6.

**CASTLE CARY, SOMERSET.**—1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Biles 1, D. Beaufoy 2, T. Marks 3, W. Higdon 4, T. Look 5, J. Nicholls 6, W. Turner (cond.) 7, A. Higdon 8. Rung as a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. W. Sherrell and the 92nd birthday of Mr. H. Milborne. All ringers at this tower.

**CHEWTON MENDIP, SOMERSET.**—On August 20th, 1,204 Plain Bob Major: R. Smith 1, Monica Horseman 2, Rosemary Smith 3, M. Heymann 4, C. Boulbee (first of Major inside) 5, L. Derrick 6, J. Brain 7, P. Gay (cond.) 8.

**CHILVERS COTON, WARWICKS.**—On August 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Judith A. Suffolk 1, A. H. Beamish 2, J. Lloyd 3, L. Trevor (cond.) 4, J. Gibbons 5, Dorothy E. Beamish 6, Christine L. Mason 7, J. Draycott 8, G. A. Bell 9, J. A. Thompson 10. Rung following the interment of John E. S. Moreton, 55 years a ringer and 30 years captain of this tower. Also on August 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Margaret Cooran 1, Judith A. Suffolk 2, J. Lloyd 3, A. H. Beamish (cond.) 4, W. J. Day 5, G. A. Bell 6, J. Draycott 7, Muriel Misen 8. In memoriam J. E. S. Moreton. Both rung with half-muffled clappers.

**CHURCH LAWFORD, WARWICKS.**—On June 28th, 1,440 Kent T.B. Minor: Miss A. Brunsell 1, Mrs. P. Wright 2, R. D. Hart 3, K. Putnam 4, D. Lloyd 5, A. R. Wright (cond.) 6. First in method 1, 4, 5. Also on July 3rd, 1,440 Double Court: N. Stowe (first quarter) 1, R. D. Hart 2, D. J. Allen (cond.) 3, A. R. Wright 4, D. Lloyd 5, G. Pratt 6. First in method 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. Also on July 5th, 1,440 Kent T.B. Minor: A. R. Wright 1, A. K. Putnam 2, R. D. Hart 3, Mrs. M. Pratt 4, G. Pratt 5, D. Lloyd (first as cond.) 6. Rung for Patronal Festival, and to mark the visit of the Bishop of Coventry.

**CLAPHAM PARK, LONDON.**—On August 30th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: G. G. Clark (first Major) 1, R. Cooles 2, R. Ta'bot 3, D. P. Smith 4, A. Clayton 5, T. Lewis 6, F. E. Darby 7, R. Stevens (first Major as cond.) 8. A.M.D.G.

**COWBRIDGE, GLAMORGAN.**—On Aug. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 behind): Miss E. Thomas 1, A. W. Thomas 2, Miss A. Thomas 3, G. Morgan (first 'inside') 4, H. Blick (cond.) 5, J. Thomas 6, L. Groom 7, E. Morgan (first quarter) 8. Rung for the 15th birthday of G. Morgan.

**CROFT, LEICS.**—On August 29th, 1,299 Grandsire Doubles: F. Watson 1, M. Vernon 2, J. Watkins 3, G. Pickering 4, I. S. Merry (cond.) 5, M. A. Ca'decote 6.

## QUARTER PEALS

**EAST HAGBOURNE, BERKS.**—On August 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. W. Bishop 1, Mrs. P. Tait 2, Miss M. Thomas 3, L. F. Cox 4, Mrs. G. Churchman 5, A. H. Webb (cond.) 6, J. H. Napper 7, E. G. Sawyer 8. For Evensong.

**GRAFTON UNDERWOOD, NORTANTS.**—On August 30th, 1,260 Doubles (St. Martin's, St. Simon's, Plain Bob): D. A. Lawrence (10, first quarter) 1, Miss C. H. Sharman 2, J. Mills 3, D. Mills 4, F. E. Crosier (cond.) 5. Rung for Evensong.

**DITCHLING, SUSSEX.**—On Sept. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss S. G. Rice 1, Miss A. M. Wright 2, Miss R. Earl 3, Miss A. Grainger (cond.) 4, Miss F. P. Gilbert 5, J. R. Norris 6, B. G. North 7, D. P. Snoswell 8. A birthday compliment to the tenor ringer.

**GREAT CHEVERELL, WILTS.**—On August 21st, 1,280 Plain Bob Doubles: A. Sturgeess 1, Pamela Osborne 2, W. Alexander 3, R. Whiting (first quarter) 4, D. Bailey (cond.) 5, R. Bailey 6. Also on August 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Jennifer Alexander (first quarter) 1, Pamela Osborne (cond.) 2, A. Sturgeess (first 'inside') 3, B. Osborne 4, W. Alexander 5, D. Bailey 6.

**GUTHAM, NOTTS.**—On August 24th, 1,320 Reverse St. Bartholomew Bob Doubles: J. Dawson 1, G. T. Burnup 2, D. Surman 3, D. Osbourne 4, G. A. Dawson (cond.) 5. First in method by all. For Festival of St. Bartholomew.

**HANDSWORTH, WARWICKS.**—At St. Mary's Church, on September 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Ruth Cayton (first quarter) 1, B. C. Wallis 2, S. Swift (first 'inside') 3, M. F. Hall 4, B. D. Sims (cond.) 5, R. Foster 6.

**HEYDOUR, Lincs.**—On Aug. 23rd, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: H. Barnes 1, L. H. Squires 2, F. W. Pinchbeck 3, J. F. Pearson 4, W. H. Dale 5, M. E. Stracey 6, R. H. Woods 7, J. H. Musson (cond.) 8. For Festival of Flowers service.

**HOLBEACH, Lincs.**—On August 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. A. Vellam 1, A. K. Twaite 2, G. Johnson 3, K. R. Davey 4, A. D. Marshall 5, R. D. Bailey (cond.) 6. For Morning Service.

**HOVE, SUSSEX.**—On Aug. 26th, 1,260 St. Oswald's Bob Doubles: Kathleen S. Fuller 1, R. J. Fuller 2, A. R. Baldock 3, S. Humphrey (first of Doubles) 4, I. V. J. Smith (cond.) 5. A 17th birthday compliment to Simon Humphrey; also a farewell to Kathleen and Robert Fuller on moving to Dorset.

**HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.**—On August 30th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob and Grandsire): Kathleen Forecast (first quarter) 1, H. W. Brown 2, Valerie Mepham 3, A. M. Humphrey 4, S. W. Brown (cond.) 5, R. J. Trier 6. For Evensong.

**ITCHINGFIELD, SUSSEX.**—On Aug. 30th, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): Miss D. Mullins 1, M. Turner 2, R. Banner 3, D. D. Smith 4, C. M. Godfrey (first attempt as cond.) 5. For Matins.

**LANGASTY, BRECKNOCK.**—On Aug. 29th, 1,272 Plain Bob Minimus: D. Barrington (first quarter) 1, C. Ricketts 2, P. M. Evans 3, E. N. Thomas 4. First of Minimus by all.

**LODERS, DORSET.**—On Aug. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: I. L. Andrews 1, J. Davis 2, D. Ellery 3, A. Knight (first 'inside') 4, J. Davis (cond.) 5, H. Crabb 6. A tribute to the late A. A. Hughes.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Dares', 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. E. K. Hart 1, R. A. Fardon (cond.) 2, Mrs. R. A. Fardon 3, B. R. Bartlett 4, H. G. Hart 5, M. G. Bartlett 6, L. J. North 7, M. S. Loveday 8. For Evensong.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On Aug. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (using No. 4 as hint bell): Elizabeth Todd 1, R. P. Brotherton 2, Rachel Sinden 3, A. Neilson 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, R. Harman 6. For Matins.

**MOULTON, Lincs.**—On Aug. 31st, 1,440 Soliced Surprise Minor (in 12 methods): B. Harris 1, D. J. Jones 2, R. C. Noon 3, R. H. Daw 4, D. R. Baxter 5, R. D. Bailey (cond.) 6. Most methods to a quarter of Minor by all.

**NAILSEA, SOMERSET.**—On Aug. 25th, 1,449 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. D. Strong 1, M. Mayle 2, L. Derrick 3, J. Brain 4, D. J. Mayle (cond.) 5, D. Yeo 6.

**OVINGTON, HANTS.**—On Aug. 23rd, 1,272 Plain Bob Minimus: G. Smith 1, A. Green 2, F. Tonge 3, G. Dodd 4. First quarter on the bells and the first time they have been rung for ten years.

**PAINSWICK, GLOS.**—On Aug. 24th, 1,306 Stedman Cinques: I. Goulter 1, V. Griffin 2, B. Bladon 3, C. A. Wratten (cond.) 4, C. Burdick 5, E. Sutton 6, G. W. Land 7, W. B. Kynaston 8, A. R. Peake 9, P. T. Hurcombe 10, F. D. Mack 11, W. Daniell 12. First on 12 by 2, 6, 7 and 9. First of Stedman Cinques by 1 and 5.

**PRESTON (Weymouth), DORSET.**—On Aug. 29th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): R. Voss (first quarter) 1, Miss S. Watson 2, Miss B. Marsh 3, Mrs. A. J. Slade (cond.) 4, G. Cornick 5, A. J. Slade 6. A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Watson.

**PUTNEY, LONDON.**—On Aug. 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Hilary Coyle (first attempt quarter) 1, Ruth Carr 2, A. R. Millidge 3, R. J. Cooles 4, Alison M. Mann 5, B. J. Bull 6, C. F. Mew (cond.) 7, J. E. Price 8. For Evensong.

**ST. ALBANS, HERTS.**—At St. Peter's Church, on Aug. 27th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: W. Ayre 1, H. V. Frost 2, Kathleen Darvil 3, Shirley Slade 4, Joyce Dodds 5, B. C. Johnson 6, R. W. Darvil 7, G. W. Debenham 8, K. J. Darvill (cond.) 9, C. E. Slade 10. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mr. A. Sutherland, verger at this church, whose funeral was earlier in the day.

**ST. PETER'S-IN-TANET, KENT.**—On Aug. 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Stockwell 1, Miss M. Elsdon 2, Miss P. Fennell 3, M. Ostler 4, A. Bridges 5, F. Knight (cond.) 6. Rung as a farewell to Peter Stockwell.

**ST. STEPHEN-IN-BRANNELL, CORNWALL.**—On Aug. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Barbara Duck 1, A. Locke 2, G. F. Dunstan 3, A. J. Davidson (cond.) 4, D. A. Trethewey (first 'inside') 5, D. R. Dunstan 6.

**STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.**—At the Church of St. Mary, on Aug. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Davenport (first quarter) 1, F. Dodds 2, C. T. Billinge (first 'inside') 3, K. Davenport 4, E. Roughley 5, J. Robinson (cond.) 6. Rung as a farewell to the landlord and family of the 'Pack Horse'.

**STOKE-NEXT-GUILDFORD, SURREY.**—On Sept. 2nd, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. W. Hagey (first of Treble Bob) 1, Diane Street 2, N. Colli Stroud (first of Surprise) 3, W. Savill 4, Elizabeth Stevenson (cond.) 5, D. J. Tubbs 6.

**STRENSHAM, WORCS.**—On July 11th, 1,440 Oxford and Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. G. Evenden 1, J. Clements (cond.) 2, J. Stainer 3, J. Slater 4, P. Warren 5, G. Evenden 6. A wedding compliment to R. George Morris and Ruth M. Simons.

**SWAFFHAM, NORFOLK.**—On Aug. 30th, 1,760 Grandsire Triples: Michael Bryan (13 years) 1, L. W. Houghton 2, S. G. Elsey 3, Miss D. M. Reeve 4, J. W. Paul 5, H. B. Fuller 6, E. H. Mastin (cond.) 7, F. Sutton 8. For the engagement of Miss Dorothy Chapman.

**UBLEY, SOMERSET.**—On Aug. 31st, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): Rose Smith 1, C. J. Boulbee 2, R. Smith 3, A. Perry 4, J. Brain (cond.) 5, E. T. Lee 6. The conductor has now rung quarter peals in each tower (27) in the Chew Deanery.

**WALLASEY, CHESHIRE.**—At St. Hilary's Church, on Aug. 24th, 1,260 Oxford Single: Miss M. F. Webster (first quarter) 1, Miss J. M. Williams (first quarter) 2, Miss F. I. E. Lochner 3, Miss J. R. Sutton 4, Miss M. E. Webster 5, T. R. Humphreys (first as cond.) 6.

**WAREHAM, DORSET.**—On Aug. 28th, 1,260 Reverse St. Bartholomew Doubles: G. W. Ems 1, Judith A. Robertson 2, Mary E. Elmes 3, J. W. Blackwood 4, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 5, C. M. Heawood 6. First in the method by 3 and 4. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mr. P. F. Gibbons, former organist of the church.

**WELLAND, WORCS.**—On July 9th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: C. Haylings 1, F. Lawrence 2, J. Smith 3, J. Lawrence 4, J. Clements (cond.) 5, L. Dovey 6. A wedding compliment to R. George Morris and Ruth M. Simons.

**WIMBLEDON.**—On Aug. 30th, 1,280 Supralative Surprise Major: Caroline Carpenter 1, M. Bangham 2, Rosamund Rawlings 3, Vanessa Rodrigues 4, G. Reynolds 5, Deborah Hopkins 6, R. Harris 7, A. Bishop (cond.) 8. First in the method for all except conductor.

**WISTASTON, CHESHIRE.**—On Aug. 29th, 1,400 Minor (720 Oxford Bob, 720 Plain Bob): Miss E. F. Bayford 1, F. S. Sutton 2, G. A. Packer 3, J. A. Baker 4, J. E. Brough (cond.) 5, F. R. Morton (25th quarter) 6.

**WOKINGHAM, BERKS.**—At the Church of All Saints, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: E. Whittingham 1, K. C. Begrie 2, Miss R. E. Roworth 3, Miss M. Longhurst 4, K. Goddard 5, W. Pearce 6, W. Newton 7, R. H. Begrie (cond.) 8. A farewell to Miss W. E. Roworth on leaving the district.



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### MEETINGS

**GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Cheltenham Branch.—Meeting at Stanton (6) on Friday, September 11th, 7.30 p.m. All welcome. 5302

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Cambridge District.—Meeting at Haskingsfield (5), Saturday, September 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Orwell (5) available in addition after meeting.—B. D. Threlfall, Dis. Sec. 5176

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.W. District.—Meeting at Wanstead on September 12th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. and for a limited time after tea. Service 4.30. Woodford (8) available from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to J. Eyre, 4, Greenheys Drive, E.18. Tel. WAN 9335. 5221

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—By-meeting at Yaldon on Saturday, September 12th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea, only to those who notify Rev. G. T. Gray, Yalding Vicarage, Maidstone.—T. A. Cross, Dis. Sec. 5168

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Loughborough District.—Monthly meeting, September 12th, at Copt Oak. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea at Village Hall. Names for tea to Mr. M. Stevens, 91, Parklands Drive, Loughborough. No names, no tea. 5100

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Syston District.—Meeting at Queniborough (6) on September 12th. Ringing 3 p.m. Meeting 5 p.m. Own arrangements for tea.—R. R. Brown, Dis. Sec. 5334

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting, Saturday, September 12th, St. Matthew's, Bethnal Green, 3.30-4.30 p.m. Own tea. St. Dunstan's, Stepney, 6.30-7.30. Meeting.—V. E. Dunne, Hon. Sec. 5271

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—N. and E. District.—Northaw, September 12th. Bells 3.15 p.m. Light refreshments 5 p.m. Evening ringing.—E. H. Kilby, Dis. Sec. 5267

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—City Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Cuddesdon, September 12th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. B. Grainger, The Theological College, Cuddesdon Oxford. 5255

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—West Dorset Branch.—Meeting, Thorncombe, Saturday, September 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to J. Davis, Mount Melplash, Bridport. 5261

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Quarterly meeting, September 12th, St. Mary's, Battersea, 2-3 p.m.; St. Stephen's, Clapham Park, 3.45-4.45; St. Giles', Camberwell. Business meeting in belfry 6 p.m. Ringing at 7 p.m.

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD (Newark District) and LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD (Central District).**—Meetings, Saturday, September 12th, Harby (5) 2.30-4.30, South Scarle (5) from 6 o'clock, Eagle (6) afternoon and evening. Southwell Guild members only—cups of tea in Harby Vicarage, followed by business meeting.—R. N. Reed. 5260

**SOUTHWELL GUILD.**—Bingham District.—Meeting, Radcliffe-on-Trent on September 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to W. L. Exton, 'St. Owen's', Whatton.—R. Blackshaw, Dis. Sec. 5265

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bingham District.—Annual dance, British Legion Club, Radcliffe-on-Trent, Saturday, September 12th, 8-11.45 p.m. Admission 4s. 6d. Ringing at Radcliffe afternoon and evening.

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—General Guild meeting at Ipswich on Saturday, September 12th. St. Clement's (6), St. Mary-at-Quay (6), St. Matthew's (6) from 2.30-4 p.m.; St. Lawrence's (5), 4-4.30 p.m. Evenson at St. Stephen's 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. St. Mary-le-Tower (12) 6.30-8 p.m. St. Margaret's (8) 8-9 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Andrew T. Beckwith, 76, Digby Road, Ipswich. A good attendance, please. All visitors welcome.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—Practice meeting at Stedham (6), Saturday, September 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. No arrangements for tea.—R. Wake, Hon. Sec. 5269

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—Business meeting at The Rising Sun, Carter Lane, E.C., on Tuesday, September 15th at 8.15 p.m. Forthcoming practices:—15th September St. Paul's Cathedral, September 22nd St. Mary-le-Bow.—John Chilcott. 5326

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Chippenham Branch.—Meeting Tetbury, Tuesday September 15th. Bells 8, available 6.45 p.m. to 9 p.m.—H. Heath, Hon. Sec. 5329

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bath and Frome Branches.—Combined meeting at Bathwick (8) on Saturday, September 19th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea please to P. R. Stubbs, 3, Powlett Road, Bathwick by September 16th. All visitors very welcome.—E. J. Chivers and A. F. Lee, Secretaries. 5330

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Branch.—Practice meeting at Clevedon, Saturday, September 19th. Bells available—All Saints' (5) 5 to 5.45 p.m. St. Andrew's (8) 6 to 8 p.m.—D. G. Yeo, Hon. Branch Sec. 5317

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Dunster Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Cutcombe September 19th, 3 p.m. Numbers for tea by 15th.—A. A. Tudball. 5328

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Crewe Branch.—Church Lawton, September 19th. Bells (8) 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea MUST be received by September 16th.—W. Kerr, 107, Moreton Road, Crewe. 5336

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wirral Branch.—Woodchurch, September 19th. Bells (6) 3.30 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea FREE for those notifying by Thursday previous.—Alexander J. Martin, 28, Glenmore Road, Oxton, Birkenhead. 5339

**CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting at Carlton on Saturday, September 19th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. P. Wishart, 8, Fairfield Avenue, Ormsby Middlesbrough. 5337

**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Coventry District.—Meeting at Arley on Saturday, September 19th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30 p.m. Astley bells (5) from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to Callow, 36, Torbay Road, Coventry. 5304

**ELY ASSOCIATION.**—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting Newton Saturday, September 19th. Bells (6) 2.30 Service 4.30. Tea 5.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 5335

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.E. District.—Ringing meeting, Danbury, September 19th. No business. Bazaar for Danbury Eight-Bell Fund at 2.30 in Village Hall. Sandwiches and tea available until 4.30. Ringing from 3.30. Service 5. Handbells and coffee at Kewset 8.30 p.m. 5256

**HAWKHURST & DISTRICT GUILD.**—Meeting at Leeds, Saturday, September 19th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Make your own arrangements for tea.—D. J. West, Hon. Sec. 5306

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans and Eastern District.—Joint meeting September 19th. St. Andrew's, Hertford. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Evening ringing 6.45-8.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. J. M. Kemp, 13, Nelson Street, Hertford.—M. A. Coburn W. Foote. 5333

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—By-meeting, Teynham on Saturday, September 19th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea in Purser Hall at 2s. 6d. per person. Those requiring tea please notify, together with cash, not later than Wednesday, September 16th to Mr. V. V. Page, 1, The Crescent, Teynham, near Sittingbourne. 5229

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The half-yearly and committee meeting will be held at St. James', Haslingden on September 19th. Names for tea (5s. per head) to Miss C. Lewis, 5, Park Street Haslingden, Rossendale. Haslingden bells (8) 2-5 p.m. and after tea, Haslingden (8) 3-5 p.m. and after tea, F. Reynolds, Gen. Sec. 5110



**LADIES' GUILD.**—Eastern District.—Meeting at Mendlesham, Saturday, September 19th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. Godfree, 2, Fleece Cottages, Mendlesham, Stowmarket. **SUFFOLK GUILD** (Central District) practice meeting at Cotton in evening.—A. E. J. L. 5273

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—At St. Mary's, Nottingham. September 19th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea and meeting in St. Mary's Institute, Barker Gate, 4.45. No name no tea. Ringing until 8.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss I. B. Thompson, 52 Lace Street, Durrkirk, Nottingham. Gentlemen cordially invited.—S. E. Chesterton, Hon. Sec.

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Melton District.—Meeting September 19th. Wymondham, Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting in Hall at 5 p.m. Names for tea to F. J. Stimson, Old Rectory, Wymondham by previous Wednesday, please.—M. Stimson, Dis. Sec. 5324

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**NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting on September 19th at Uttoxeter. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea (at Dawson's Cafe) 5.30 p.m. Names for tea to E. Roberts, 26, The Crescent, Derby Road, Uttoxeter, by September 15th.—G. C. Beech. 5327

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Rutland Branch.—Quarterly meeting Market Overton. Bells (5) 3 p.m. September 19th. Evening at Cottesmore. Names for tea to W. C. A. Clark, Middle Street, Wing. 5331

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—Central District.—Practice meeting at Cotton (8) on September 19th. Bells 6.30-9 p.m. 5262

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting at Godstone, not Betchworth, September 19th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, by September 16th, to Mr. A. K. Wood, 45, Warren Lane, Oxted.—G. A. W. 5251

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Division.—Quarterly meeting at Twineham (5) Saturday, September 19th. Bells 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Special method: Carter's Principle. Names for tea, by previous Wednesday please, to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierpoint. 5338

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—Practice meeting, St. Peter's, Soberton, September 19th, from 6 till 9 p.m. All standard methods. Surprise methods: Cambridge, Yorkshire and Superlative.—L. Duguid, Dis. Sec.

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—Meeting at Alvechurch, Saturday, September 19th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and business. Names for tea to Mr. H. C. Kent, 35, Red Lion Street, Alvechurch, by Thursday, September 17th, please.—Bernard C. Ashford Sec. 5297

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—Quarterly meeting, Beverley St. Mary's (10), September 19th. Walkington (6) available 2 to 4.30 p.m. Buses leave Beverley for Walkington, 3 miles. 1.45, 2.20, 3.15 p.m. Bus leaves Walkington for Beverley 4.30 p.m., 15 minute journey. Tea 5 p.m. at Cross Keys Hotel, Beverley. Names, please, to Mr. A. T. Taylor, 28, Albert Terrace, Beverley, E. Yorkshire, by previous Wednesday. St. Mary's bells available after tea.—H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5311

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—Quarterly meeting, Saturday, September 19th, at Marsden. Bells available 3 p.m. Practice method: Erin Caters. Names for tea by September 16th to Mr. R. Shaw, 4, Lane Ings, Marsden, Huddersfield. District Committee meeting at 4.15 p.m. Tea and business meeting 5 p.m.—R. J. Lumley, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**SAINT BARTHOLOMEW, CREWKERNE.**—Annual Tower Sunday, September 20th. Service 6.30. Preacher Rev. N. F. D. Coleridge. Ringing 5-6.30 p.m. and after service. All ringers welcome. 5312

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Committee meeting, King's Head Hotel, Matlock, Wednesday, September 23rd, 7.30 p.m. A good attendance is requested.—B. P. Morris, Sec. 5316

**CHRISTCHURCH, HANTS.**—Ringing Festival, Saturday, September 26th. Programme.—Tour (private cars): meet Ringwood, 10.15 a.m. Bells (8) 10.30-11.30 a.m.: Wimborne St. Giles' (8) 12 noon-1.15 p.m. (Lunch, own arrangements.) Wimborne Minster (10), 2.30-3.30 p.m.: Bourgemouth, St. Peter's (8), 4-5.30 p.m. Tea in Christchurch Church Hall, 6.15 p.m. (3s. each). Christchurch Priory bells (12), 7.30-9 p.m. Please notify A. V. Davis, 24, Stourcliffe Avenue, Southbourne, Bournemouth, for tea by Wednesday, September 23rd. 5275

**DEVON GUILD.**—South West Branch.—Meeting at Galmpton, near Kingsbridge, September 26th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Also available: Marlborough (6) 2.30-4 and South Milton 6-8 p.m. Names for tea, by 22nd, to G. J. L. Read, Home Park, Galmpton, Kingsbridge, Devon.—T. G. Myers, Branch Sec. 5248

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Meeting at Kelvedon, on Saturday, September 26th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Elliott, 28, Easterford Road, Kelvedon. 5298

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—Quarterly meeting at Stoke-next-Guildford on September 26th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. W. Savill, 82, Woking Road, Guildford. 5314

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—Dinner on Saturday, September 26th, at Trinity Church Hall, Dover Street. Sittingbourne (2 mins. from station and bus routes). Tickets available from Mrs. B. W. May, Keithstone, Keycol Hill, Sittingbourne, upon receipt of 12s. P.O. and stamped, addressed envelope, not later than September 19th. Everybody welcome.—District Dinner Committee. 5225

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD** (North Lindsey Branch) and **LADIES' GUILD.**—Joint meeting. Winterton, Saturday September 26th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous, to H. Hall, West Street, Winterton.—C.A.H. 5323

**LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.**—Llandaff Branch.—Quarterly meeting to be held at Pendoylan on Saturday September 26th. Bells available from 7.30 p.m. Service 4 n.m. Names for tea by September 20th to W. J. Goodfellow, 33, Brook Road, Fairwater, Cardiff. 5213

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Berks Branch.—Half yearly meeting at Aston Tirrold, September 26th. Service 3.30 p.m. Names for tea by 22nd.—C. Corderoy, West-Wynds, Westbrook Street, Blewbury, Didcot.

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northampton Branch.—Practice meeting at Walgrave, Saturday, September 26th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to B. E. Frost, 40, Foxgrove Avenue, Northampton. 5313

**RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD**  
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**Saturday, September 26th,**  
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**PROGRAMME**

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Our Lady R.C. Church (8), 1.30-2.30;  
Bus to Trumpington.  
St. Mary's (6), 3.15-4.15;  
Return to Cambridge.  
Tea at Dorothy's, 20, Sidney Street, followed by business meeting.  
St. Andrew's (8), 6.30-7.30 p.m.  
J. Arthur Hoare, Hon. Sec. 5307

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—The annual Striking Competition is to be held at Buxhall on Saturday, September 26th. Draw at 1.45 p.m. Competition to start at 2 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Followed by tea and presentation of shield. General ringing 6.30-9 p.m. Entries, together with numbers for tea, by September 12th, please, to Mr. R. E. Lester, 40, Stowmarket Road, Needham Market, Ipswich.

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**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The autumn general meeting will be held at Winslow, Bucks, on Saturday, October 3rd. 2.30 p.m. Business meeting in the Winslow Public Hall 4.15 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Service in the Parish Church. Names for tea (3s. 3d. per head), together with remittance should be sent before Monday, September 28th, to Miss D. J. Pollard, 49, Foxborough Road, Radley, Abingdon, Berks.—M. R. Cross, Hon. Gen. Sec. 5283

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**DEVONSHIRE GUILD OF RINGERS.**—Exeter Branch.—Meeting, Newton St. Cyres on Saturday, October 10th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea at Crown and Sceptre 4.45 p.m. Meeting following.—G. Skinner. 5301

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—The annual meeting will be held at Dudley on Saturday, October 31st. Details later.—M. D. F., Hon. Sec. 5309

## LATE NOTICES

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—Meeting at Redbourn (6) September 12th cancelled. Now to be at Apsley End on September 12th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. A. V. Good, 44, Belmont Road, Hemel Hempstead.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Branch.—Meeting at Sefton, Saturday, 12th September. Ringing commencing at 3 p.m. Sandwiches and tea will be available.—G. I. Howlett, Branch Sec. 5346

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guilsborough Branch.—Meeting at Hazelbech, Saturday, September 12th. Tea arranged. 5344

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Farnham District.—Meeting at Grayshott (8) on September 19th. Bells at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. G. A. Yarborough, Middle Watch, Portsmouth Road, Hindhead. Surrey, by previous Wednesday.—D. P. Elsmore, Dis. Sec. 5343

**MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.**—S. & W. District.—Meeting Harefield, near Uxbridge (6) September 19th. Striking competition cancelled. Bells from 3.30. Tea, St. Mary's Hall, 5, Ringing after. Hillingdon joint meeting, October 17th.—F. W. Goodfellow. 5341

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Dorset Branch.—Quarterly Meeting at Thornford on Saturday, September 19th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting after. All welcome. Names for tea by Wednesday, September 16th, to Richard Longridge, Okeford, Fitzpaine Rectory. Tel. Childe Okeford 311. 5342

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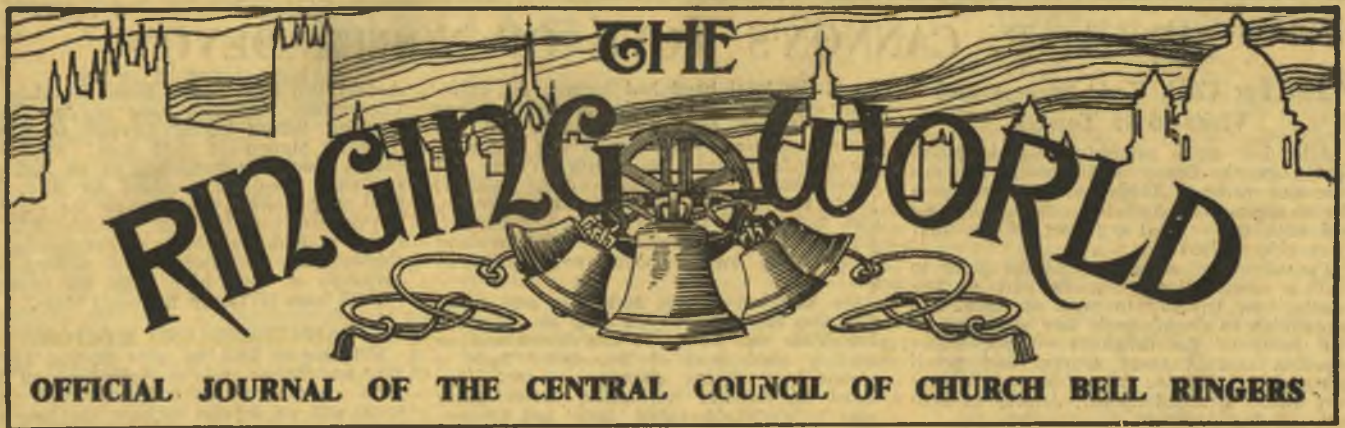
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## THE MAN IN CHARGE

**T**HAT bright little news sheet, 'The Belfry News,' coming each month from the Derbyshire Bellringers, can invariably be relied on to provide an entertaining and sometimes provocative editorial. The July-August number of the journal devotes its front page to some consideration of that important official of church and belfry, the Tower Captain, and the main theme of the writer is a review of the ills that result from the permanent occupation of the post of leader by the wrong kind of man.

We are reminded here that once a Tower Captain is appointed there is often no change in the office for a very great number of years, one usual reason for this being that no one is ready to offend the holder of the post by suggesting any change. It is agreed that if the man so installed is of the highest quality in leadership and ringing ability then permanence is all to the good, and it is indeed easy to quote the names of men who have held the office for long periods of time with nothing but benefit to their towers and the Exercise. It is also pointed out that where the Captain is a poor ringer and an indifferent instructor, the teaching of beginners, one of the vital tasks in the belfry, will not be carried out with the correct approach to technique so necessary for the making of a good change-ringer.

The Tower Captain who has no plan for his learners, the man who discourages his students from visiting other towers and acquiring more proficiency than himself; the one who tries to shut his tower to visiting ringers: all these, we are reminded, still exist in some districts; and the writer is driven to conclude that some routine change, a yearly, biennial or triennial election may be the solution to the problem of the obstructive or stagnating Tower Captain.

The article is fresh, forthright and outspoken, and it has the merit of leading us to other thoughts about Ringing Masters and Tower Captains. There is nothing new, of course, about leaders of genius and leaders of little minds. When, some 70 years ago, John Day wrote his criticism and deep appreciation of the eccentric William Chattell, he was at pain to point out two things: one, Chattell's extraordinary skill and enthusiasm as an instructor, and two (by way of contrast), that many of the old ringers tried to make things as mysterious and difficult as possible. We have all met the incompetent Instructor and the selfish Tower Captain, but of the former it may be said that his persistence and patience are based on a devotion to tower and church, and of the latter we may surely say that the number of such grows less and less.

The important thought that comes to mind as we read this interesting article is on the other side of the question,

that is, not what is due from the Tower Captain to us but what is our duty towards the Tower Captain. How easy it is at a meeting to propose, second, and elect this man, and how easy it is to go away and forget the responsible position in which he has been placed and the onerous duties attaching to that position. It is his prime duty to see that the bells of the church are rung at the times demanded by the church offices, and for this purpose he requires support, not with the words of our lips but with the work of our hands. For the maintenance of an ample supply of ringers he must needs teach, and in the teaching he wants not our sympathy and our interested inquiry but our active help.

The first thing, therefore, that the Captain has a right to demand from his ringers is regular attendance for ringing on Sundays. To the bellringer who regards his ringing as a serious part of his Sunday observance there is no need to offer such an observation; to one to whom ringing is a piece of casual entertainment, to be indulged in or omitted as whim or fancy dictate, there is much that might and ought to be said on this matter. Let it be argued, as has sometimes been done, that our work is voluntary. The answer to this was bluntly and pungently expressed in another connection, thus: the only thing voluntary about a voluntary organisation is the joining of it; thereafter its demands are there to be met.

The second thing the Tower Captain has a right to require is that his band take steps to keep themselves in training so that, as our belfry prayer says, 'our skill may be increased' to the greater glory of God's name. No choir can perform its work without regular rehearsal; no ringing band can make a worthy offering without constant attendance for practice together. How often do we allow some triviality to interfere with this most pressing duty! And yet we require the Tower Captain to be ever present and never-failing in his duties.

As for the learners, let us grant that they are entitled to the greatest care and attention we can give them. But they, too, have a duty to perform in regular attendance for instruction, in keeping a mind open to the teaching, and in performing assiduously the tasks, at home or in the belfry, necessary for their progress. This they will do all the better in towers where the older ringers themselves show practical loyalty to their Captain by regularity, punctuality and unshaken support of the man in charge.

So while we cannot but agree with 'The Belfry News,' we should also recollect that many men are Tower Captains and Ringing Masters because no others will tie themselves to the responsibilities of such posts. We may all ask ourselves once again if we are as grateful and helpful as we might be.

E. C. S.



## MR. A. P. CANNON'S TOUR OF NORTH DEVON

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After last year's successful tour in North Wales, North Devon was chosen for this year and owing to Robin Leale's indisposition the arrangements were left to the writer, who had been the original organiser of this tour from 1950 to 1959.

The choice of venue enabled the party to visit a comparatively unspoilt part of this county, new territory to most of them, and in addition to ringing peals they were able to visit many of the delightful villages, whose churches contain some tuneful and good-going sixes. All the towers for peals were very kindly arranged by Mr. Aubrey L. Bennett, of Buckfastleigh.

Leaving home early on Saturday, August 22nd (in some cases very early), the nine ringers, travelling in four cars, arrived punctually at 1.30 p.m. on the village green in front of the fine church at Long Sutton, Somerset. They were greeted by the genial Vicar, the Rev. Chris Marshall, who joined them for London and Cambridge on this 'old-style' six, and also with the local captain ringing the tenor to Stedman Doubles. The next place, North Curry, has an octagonal tower with a ringing chamber close to the bells. We rang Cambridge and Bristol while the Vicar, the Rev. G. T. Rogers, sat in the tower and watched us. A drive of 18 miles brought us to Wiveliscombe, where the writer was delighted to see Mr. H. V. Young (late of Leatherhead) and Mr. W. A. J. Knight. They joined us for London, Cambridge and Yorkshire, and afterward 'Brig' Young led us 'up and over' the steep hill to Waterrow, where he and Mrs. Young kindly entertained us to tea in his delightfully situated house on a bend on the main road, with an inn next door! Reluctantly we left this charming spot, but we were due at our headquarters, the George Hotel, South Molton, in time for dinner at 7 p.m. We still had one more tower to visit, at the remote village of Rose Ash.

### THE LANES TO LYNTON

For Sunday morning service we rang on the magnificent Taylor eight at South Molton, where the three tape recorders were soon registering Yorkshire, Bristol and Stedman Triples. The church is situated on high ground, and the 105ft tower is a landmark for many miles around. The Vicar of South Molton is also in charge of the sixes at Charles and High Bray, and to reach these villages, situated on either side of a valley, we had to climb gradients of 1 in 4! Continuing to Kentsbury, we found a very good six, rehung by Gillett and Johnston in 1953. There is a direct route to Lynton from here, but George Thoday decided to go as near the coast as possible! With Colin Harwood and the writer, we travelled along numerous 'roads,' barely more than cart tracks, and eventually came to a 'dead end' in a farm yard! However, we had plenty of time and soon met up with the others for an evening service ring at Lynton, where the bells are rarely rung owing to lack of ringers. There is little now to show of the flood disaster of 1953, and after a visit to Lynmouth, a drive up Countisbury Hill (someone was having a picnic in an 'escape' road) and a short call at Simonsbath on Exmoor, we returned to South Molton.

### TWO PEALS AND TWELVE VILLAGE SIXES

On Monday, August 24th, we started the more serious business of peal ringing. Philip Mehew, his parents and Christine Rimmer were waiting for us at Witheridge, where the church stands on the north side of a large square. The bells, retuned and rehung by Taylors in 1957, boom out loud and clear, and the writer was delighted to call a peal of Cambridge, with excellent striking, in the slow and steady time of 3 hours 32 minutes. Mr. T. Kingdom, local captain, who had rung the tenor to Grandsire Triples (first on the bells) said that since the bells had been re-

hung, the local band had become the champion eight-bell team in the competitions run by the Devon Association for the last two years, and proudly showed us the shields in the church to prove it. 'Brig' Young and Christopher Daws (Kingswood, Surrey) joined us for tower hunting in the afternoon, and we visited Washford Pyne, Thebridge, East and West Worlington, Meshaw and Romansleigh, mostly above average rings of six.

On Tuesday, August 26th, our peal tower was the very fine Taylor ring at Uffculme. The Vicar met us in the churchyard and we rang a good peal of Superlative from a ground-floor ringing chamber. Lunch consisted of bananas and pears, before going over to Washfield, where 'Brig' and Christopher again met us. Mrs. Balment was waiting for us and we noted the peal board recording Grandsire Doubles rung by the local band in 1926, in which she and the rest of the company rang their first peal, a very creditable performance at that time. Afterwards we visited Calverleigh, Rackenford, Knowstone, Bishop's Nympton (G. and J., 1948, and the best six of the week) and Mariansleigh, where the Rector, the Rev. H. G. Tucker, with three rings of six under his control, showed an amazing knowledge of North Devon bells. At 11.20 p.m. Robin Leale arrived by car, having left Teddington in the late afternoon, so that he could join the writer in his big day on the morrow.

### THE 1,000th

The opportunity to ring a peal on the famous bells at Pilton was very much appreciated, and it was a most suitable place for the writer's 1,000th. Only two other peals have been rung here—Stedman Triples in 1921 and Rutland in 1961, and it was important that a high standard of striking should be maintained. As we could not start until 10.30 a.m. we had a short ring at Filleigh on the way and were met at Pilton Church by Mr. A. Griffiths. Peter Lawrence, our tape recording expert, was detailed to get a good recording here on all three recorders. The bells are a fine 'old-style' ring which have been eight since 1853, but they certainly require ringing, and plenty of perspiration was lost by the end of the peal! Norman Mallett, of Exeter, had been specially invited, as he used to live at Barnstaple, and it was a pleasure to have Tom Sone, who called the writer's fourth peal in November, 1931, and Robin Leale, with whom he has rung 100 peals, taking part. The usual congratulations from the band ended a rather tense morning!

After lunch and a farewell to Robin, who was returning immediately to London (it was his first peal since September, 1963) we decided to abandon the peal attempt at Braughton in the afternoon. It was such a hot day that we confined ourselves to a short ring and spent the time on the beach at Saunton Sands, and later at Croyde Bay. In the evening, at the George Hotel, South Molton, the landlady specially requested us to ring handbells in the lounge bar and to play a recording of some of our ringing for the benefit of the customers. It was a joy when Mr. James G. A. Prior, who was staying at Exford, came into the bar at 10.15 a.m. to offer his congratulations and, of course, enjoy a drink! He took part in the writer's first peal as conductor on December 2nd, 1933, at St. Olave's, Hart Street, London.

### CHULMLEIGH AND SIX MORE TOWERS

Our venue for August 27th was at the very fine church and tower of Chulmleigh. Phil Mehew made a good job of the tenor to Yorkshire at a brisk pace and the lower in peal was favourably commented on by several listeners. We drove over to the Fountain Inn, North Tawton, for lunch, where we were very pleased to meet Mr. Aubrey L. Bennett, who had travelled up from Buckfastleigh to spend the afternoon with us. We knew two days beforehand that we could not attempt a peal at North Tawton, owing to the sudden death of a cousin of the local captain, Mr. R. J. Bennett. However, we were able to get

Aubrey two new towers, Down St. Mary and Colebrooke, and also rang at Zeal Monachorum, before saying farewell to him at Yeoford Station at 6.45 p.m., with many thanks from our band for all he had done for us. Then we continued to Bow, Lapford, and finished the day on the very fine Taylor six at Chawleigh. Incidentally, the belfry at Down St. Mary is overflowing with shields and certificates from striking competitions, as they have been the champion six-bell team of Devon for many years.

### APPLEDORE AND BIDEFORD

For August 28th we were booked for two very fine Taylor rings at Appledore and Bideford. Appledore has a ground-floor ringing room and we decided to leave the door open leading to the churchyard. For this comfort we had to endure plenty of noise and talking from men working outside in spite of a notice pinned on the door! However, a good peal of Rutland was scored and we rushed back to Bideford for a hurried lunch so as to be outside Bideford Church at 3 p.m. This is another tower where only three previous peals had been rung, Double Norwich in 1921, Grandsire Triples in 1935 and Bristol in 1963. Mr. F. H. Parsons met us, and Phil Mehew proved for the fifth time that he can call this composition of Lincolnshire! Bill Deason scored his 200th peal and we were all delighted to ring a peal at such a 'rare' tower. We had a quick ring at Weare Giffard, and returned to our headquarters to meet the photographer of the 'Echo and Express.'

### CHITTLEHAMPTON AND SEVEN MORE TOWERS

The end of a busy week was approaching and as we had scored 100 per cent. so far it was decided to ring Bristol on another excellent Taylor ring, which is hung in Devonshire's most decorated tower. With young David Hilling conducting in a confident manner, David Leach was able to complete his first three peals of Surprise Major in a week, justifying the confidence placed in him. After lunch at the local inn, we visited Atherington, Yarnscombe, High Bickington (very long draught), Burrington (the writer's 2,575th tower), Ashreigney, King's Nympton and Warkleigh. We returned home via Chittlehampton to record the Pilton ringers on their outing, having heard them ring at Chulmleigh as well.

On the way home on Sunday, August 30th, we enjoyed a ring on the wonderful Taylor bells at Tiverton.

Thus ended a very successful week in which all enjoyed themselves, and we split up to continue our various ways home. We would like to thank all the incumbents for giving us permission to ring, both for peals and touches. Tom Sone and the writer called in at the George Hotel, Taunton, to wish 'Good luck' to Tom Lock and several of his party, who were starting their annual peal week, and we arrived back in Dorking at 7.30 p.m., a little tired, but contented. A. P. C.

### OUTING

#### ROTHERHAM PARISH CHURCH

For this year's outing Rotherham Parish Church ringers decided to travel by private cars instead of the usual coach and combined a visit to the Shakespeare Exhibition at Stratford-on-Avon with ringing at three towers—Southwell Minster, Wigston Magna and Stratford-on-Avon.

The respective good qualities of all these bells were thoroughly enjoyed and the ringing included Grandsire and Stedman Caters and various standard eight-bell methods, including Yorkshire, Cambridge and Superlative.

All our hosts were most helpful in the arrangements they made for us—Mr. Foster at Southwell, Miss Joy Watkin, Mr. Carter and Mr. Smith at Wigston, and Mr. Stead at Stratford-on-Avon. We are grateful for the facilities made available by them and the various church authorities concerned, all of which combined to make a happy and memorable day. N. C.



# OBITUARY

## MR. L. A. GOODENOUGH

To his many ringing friends the news of the death of Mr. Lewis Albert Goodenough will have come as a great shock.

Born at Aldbury, in Hertfordshire, in 1891, he lived for some years at St. Albans and here, at the Cathedral, his ringing career started.

Having learned to handle a bell, he spent some three years as a tenor man, covering to Triples and Doubles.

Realising the beauty of change ringing, he gradually developed a determination to get 'inside,' but it was not until he settled in Luton, during the first world war, that he really found an outlet for his great talent. At that time Luton Parish Church had a keen and progressive band of change ringers, who soon discovered that this newcomer had possibilities as a conductor, and in 1918 he became tower captain, a position he held for 45 years. In 1919 he called his first peal at Luton—Thurstans' Stedman Triples. This was followed in 1920 by a peal of Double Norwich.

In the next year or so Cambridge and Superlative were added to the list and in 1925 a peal of Bristol was scored. All these peals were the first in the methods by an entirely local band, and the Bristol was the first in the county. In 1931, after several attempts, a peal of London was rung and this missed being the first in the county by only a few days—it was the first in the county by a local band!

In 1932 he called the last peal on the old eight at Luton, and in 1950 he called the first peal (Stedman Caters) on the new ring of ten.

Unfortunately, no complete record of his peals has so far come to light, but should it be possible to compile one it will be published later. He was for nearly 50 years a most regular Sunday service ringer at the beautiful Church of St. Mary, Luton. For the past two years his health had been perceptibly failing, and he died peacefully at his home on August 25th.

## AN APPRECIATION

Lewis Albert Goodenough, born in the beautiful village of Aldbury in Hertfordshire, was a man who had a fine sense of civic pride and became very attached to Luton, the town of his adoption, and where he spent all his life, from early manhood.

A man of parts, he was, among other things, a keen horticulturalist. His exploits in the art of chancing are well known but he was perhaps most distinguished for the faithful manner in which he carried out what he always held to be a ringer's first duty, that of ringing for Sunday service. A

## BELLS

Eight ringers climb the twisting stair,  
Out of the evening's freezing air,  
They climb the steps up to the tower  
To see the bellropes hanging there.  
Each takes his place beside a bell.  
The sally grasps; all study well.  
In order due the bells ring out,  
Their sound is heard o'er hill and dell.  
The master calls, the bells go round.  
High o'er the town their voices sound;  
A change of peal now fills the air.  
Heartens the traveller homeward bound.  
So, week by week for church they ring.  
At times for weddings they will sing;  
A funeral knell they sometimes toll.  
In joyful days glad tidings bring.

J. POLLARD.

Elland, Yorks.

superb bell-handler, he was never late either for service or practice ringing, and prior to his last long illness (about two years) he was one of the ever-presents.

His loss will be more keenly felt than words can express.

On August 28th a service in Luton Parish Church preceded cremation. Luton Crematorium stands on the hill to the eastern side of the town and well back from the busy Hitchin Road. It is a place of beauty and has an atmosphere of quiet repose and of peace, and it was here, in the presence of the devoted wife whose tender ministrations brought him comfort through his long illness that we said goodbye to the mortal remains of Lewis Goodenough. The solemn words of committal were followed by soft music—'Jesus, joy of man's desiring.'

As the mourners, including a strong representation from Luton belfry and also of his employers, moved reverently through the doors and into the clear sunlight, one recalled the words of St. John the Divine—'And there shall be no more death, nor sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain.'

A. E. R.

## WENTWORTH RINGERS AT FOUNDRY

On September 5th a coach party of ringers and friends from Wentworth, Rawmarsh and Bradford, Yorks, visited the Bell Foundry at Loughborough. We arrived there in good time despite early morning fog north of Nottingham. Mr. Paul Taylor showed us round, and amongst other things we saw the Lavenham tenor, a carillon for Newcastle and a five from Molland (Devonshire) awaiting attention. We failed to 'bong' out a course of Grandsire Double on these bells! We enjoyed the experience of ringing on the foundry bells and agreed that they were far too heavy for us!

On to Ashby-de-la-Zouch for lunch and a ring on the eight bells of St. Helen's (16 cwt.). The long draught of rope did not deter us from enjoying these bells whilst the non-ringers had a look round the delightful church and castle grounds. Two more towers were visited in the afternoon—St. George's, Ticknall (6, 11 cwt.) and Melbourne (8, 15 cwt.). At Ticknall we aspired to the heights of Cambridge Surprise Minor. The ringing encouraged the old ladies in the nearby cottages to venture out and they waved us off afterwards. (I wonder why?) At Melbourne ringing took place in the church—this is one of Derbyshire's finest churches.

We took tea at Derby in a Chinese restaurant and then on the way home we visited Ripley (All Saints', 8, 16 cwt.). Here we enjoyed the best bells of the day and the ringing included Spiced Kent and Oxford. Little Bob and Grandsire as well as Plain Bob, rounds and call changes.

A short break was made on the way home for fish and chips, etc., and we arrived in Wentworth at 10 p.m., tired, but having enjoyed the day.

The ringers and non-ringers missed the cheerful face of 'Dan' Archer, who is unfortunately in hospital.

Our sincere thanks are extended to Mr. Taylor at the Bell Foundry, local incumbents for the use of the bells, to the ringers who kindly met us at the various places, and Mrs. King, who organised the meals, to the non-ringers for not being late, and the coach driver, Mr. Lindley.

A. K.

## INFORMAL OUTING IN LONDON

For those not on holiday, August is a slack month for ringing, so an outing does not come amiss. This year we went to London on the 29th, many from North Hertfordshire but some from farther afield—St. Albans, St. Neots, Cambridge and Saffron Walden. Some of the party made such excellent progress that we were able to start ringing St. Dunstan's magnificent ten early. We included Cambridge Royal in the methods rung here, then went to the highlight of the tour—Mears and Stainbank's Foundry. There we saw and heard the new carillon for Fortnum and Mason, and visited the workshops to see both tower and handbells, and the Mears Museum. How many knew or would have realised if they had not been told, that we had walked through the template of Big Ben?

We were early at St. Vedast's, Foster Lane, inconspicuous until you looked up to see the little spire, and went through the beautiful Wren church to climb to the springy-rope six. Meals are not easy to arrange in London for an unknown number, so it was 'fend for yourself.' Those who had brought their own meal were able to enjoy the sunshine, others had varying luck nearby.

Walking down Gresham Street to St. Lawrence Jewry we heard faint sounds—handbells—being rung in a sunken garden. Some people were not wasting good ringing time! St. Lawrence Jewry bells are fine and we had some passable Bristol. Perhaps the fascination of the bells was to blame, but we overstayed our time and had to hurry to St. Matthew's, Bethnal Green. Those with good navigators—or local knowledge—were able to time it so that the bells went up just as the clock-winder came to do his job. . . . However, that did not delay us very long and we did our best to get some good ringing; certainly we entertained some of the local children.

The one-way street system is like a maze, you can see your objective, St. John of Jerusalem, Hackney, but to get to it may be a different matter. Neither is the way up to the ringing chamber straightforward, and the kettledrums behind the organ case marked the passing of various members: when you get to the ropes they are parted by gigantic beams across the floor. The treble was unmanageable until the clock hammer had been encouraged to stay clear of the bell—there are advantages in having experts with you!

Tea problems were much the same as for lunch, but everyone was back in good time at St. John's, Hackney, to await the man with the key. We waited, and waited . . . so we abandoned Hackney and went to the final tower, St. Anne's, Stamford Hill, and finished by ringing the fast, light bells there.

Thank you, Mr. Rowe, for arranging the towers and for guiding us round the Foundry; a score of ringers had a very pleasant day.

J. S.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

The pleasant, warm afternoon of August 29th was ideal for the meeting of the Chertsey District at Send and Ockham. Some 40 ringers turned up and enjoyed methods up to London Minor at Send, till a broken tenor rope brought the afternoon ringing to a halt about 20 minutes before service time. The service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. C. E. Sylvester.

Following the usual excellent tea, the Guild Master, Mr. D. A. R. May, took the chair for the business meeting. One new junior member from Old Woking was elected and two from Chobham.

Ringing was resumed at Send and Ockham, the ringing being brought to an early conclusion by a broken slider on the tenor. R. C.

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# Letters to the Editor

## Bellringing Finds in Excavations

Dear Sir,—One of the greatest archaeological 'finds' in the history of campanology in this country (Note: similar discoveries have been found abroad) has just been discovered at Winchester, where the site of the tenth century cathedral is being excavated.

Beneath the floor of the tenth century building, which had not previously been disturbed, was found a bell casting pit, with remains of furnace nearby, and inscribed portions of bell-moulding copes, charcoal and bell metal.

At the invitation of the Ministry of Public Works and Buildings I visited Winchester recently and inspected the site of the excavations, and examined the 'finds.' Work will proceed very slowly, and if sufficient parts of any particular moulding cope are discovered they will be pieced together. The metal will be analysed. Meanwhile special attention is being given to the site. The discovery is of especial interest as Saint Ethelwold, who was largely responsible for the rebuilding of the cathedral in the tenth century, is known to have been a bellfounder.—Yours sincerely,

FREDERICK SHARPE.

Bicester, Oxon.

## No Comment

Dear Sir,—Some little time ago a peal of Surprise Major was rung with the footnote 'X Surprise Major is not the extension of X Surprise Minor,' or words to that effect. It was the first peal in the Major Method. The Methods Committee have made no comment.—Yours faithfully,

H. POYNER.

Retford, Notts.

## An Explanation

Dear Sir,—Your correspondent, Mr. Hughes, is quite correct in his presumption. Part of Rule 15 of the Coventry Diocesan Guild states: 'No peal shall be accepted as a Guild peal unless each ringer taking part in it has paid his subscription for the current year.' One of the ringers in the peal to which he refers had not paid the subscription for 1964 and had no wish to do so for private reasons. Thus it was impossible to ring the peal for that Guild.

The peal could not have been rung for any other Guild or Association for two reasons.

Firstly, it would have shown a marked absence of good taste and good manners, and secondly, there is no other Guild or Association to which the entire band belong.

I fail to see what my secretaryship of the Warwick Archdeaconry District of the Coventry Diocesan Guild has to do with the matter. The peal was arranged and rung by the local band for a definite reason, as indicated by the footnote in the peal columns.—Yours faithfully,

PETER S. BENNETT.

Bearley,  
Stratford-upon-Avon.

## High Hoyland Bells

Dear Sir,—With reference to recent correspondence regarding the bells of High Hoyland: After the first letter was published in 'The Ringing World' the convener of the Towers and Belfries Committee wrote to the Vicar saying the services of the Council were at his disposal if he wished.—Yours faithfully,

FREDERICK SHARPE.

Launton, Oxon.

## Wrong Impression Overseas (?)

Dear Sir,—More and more frequently the 'Ringing World' contains news of the spread of interest in our Exercise overseas. It therefore follows that an increasing number of copies of our journal will go to all parts of the world and be read by Australians, New Zealanders, Africans and Americans.

With this thought in mind I feel that some of the writers who describe outings and tours in our paper's columns should be a little more careful about the image of the English Church bellringer which they convey to these distant countries. Protest has been made before against the use of Christian names in these articles but I am more concerned about the impression one gets, sometimes, of ringers' tours and outings being no more than glorious pub-crawls.

It has taken years of patient hard work by our Guilds and the Central Council to raise the recognised status of the bellringer. I feel that the writers of these articles should read and re-read their work before submitting it for publication; in these writings they have an opportunity to convey a word picture of our English countryside, of the picturesque and historic churches they visit, and of the bells they ring. This is so much more interesting than some of the antics of their members which may have been amusing at the time, but which tend to appear somewhat dull later on in print.

I hasten to add that the above criticism does not apply to all the articles which appear—some of them are of a very high standard and a joy to read.—Yours faithfully,

ARTHUR V. DAVIS.

Bournemouth.

## Worcester Cathedral Bells

Dear Sir,—There seems to be some confusion of dates and historic material here. My notes record that Taylors cast a ring of 13 in the year 1868, quite different from 1872 or 1876, as given in Mr. Wratten's letter, but I may be wrong. My notes also record that Sir Edmund Beckett became Lord Grimthorpe in 1866 and he actually designed the ring of 12 at Worcester Cathedral. He had a strong belief that bells to be of good and superior tone should be heavy of metal, also thick in the casting, but few people cared to contradict him during the time big rings were being called for.

'Church Bells' devoted but little space to ringers and ringing and much interesting material sent by contributors failed to find space.

WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

Addlestone, Surrey.

## A Quarter at 11 years

Dear Sir,—I notice 'Belfry Gossip' has frequent references to the achievements of the young. I wonder if you would hatch something for Angela Quick of Lyme Regis. I recently called her first quarter thinking her to be 13 or 14 years old. The following week at practice she told us it was her 12th birthday, so she was only 11 when she rang the quarter peal. This made me look through my own records for I thought she must be running me a close race for the youngest Lyme ringer to do such a thing. In fact the record showed that I was six weeks older when scoring my first quarter. Congratulations to Angela. It was a pleasure to conduct the touch for the one who now holds the new record.—Yours sincerely,

ROGER KEFLEY.

Marlborough, Wilts.

## Suggestion for Muting

Dear Sir,—Ringers are aware that the 15cwt. bells of Dolgellau Parish Church are rehung and are regularly used on Sunday and for practice; progress albeit is very slow.

I had heard that for reasons of public relations the Barmouth bells have to be rung muted and I have developed a very simple and effective method of muting ours which may be of use to other towers. A 5/16th in. diameter nylon cord with a spliced slip knot is passed around the clapper, which is drawn back to give exactly one inch clearance between it and the bell.

The rope passes through 1/4 in. diameter alkaline pipe pressed into a piece of wood the same height as the bell, the pipe being 3 ins. long and hooked over the lip of the bell. The nylon rope passes through the timson at least four times and is finally clip-hooked to a lug welded to the washer securing the clapper and the headstock. The effect is to mute the bell effectively enough to stop complaint but not enough to stop accurate ringing when the bells are up.

I stake no claims to originality about the method but can claim to have completely eliminated all chafing and worked out a way to mute a ring of eight bells effectively in a matter of five minutes.

So far the citizens of Dolgellau have been tolerant enough not to require their use.

After initial fitting, the rope mutes require no adjustment and being nylon, are completely rot-proof.—Yours faithfully,

E. W. K. WALTON.

Dolgellau, Merioneth. Tower Captain.

## 'Not All in our Favour'

Dear Sir,—May I express my appreciation of the article by Michael R. Meadows—'Bells—a Nuisance.'

It is right that we enthusiasts should perhaps be reminded that all is not in our favour. Nevertheless we shall no doubt go on ringing away merrily, or madly, however the listener regards it.—Yours faithfully,

Helston, Cornwall. D. STEPHENS.

## Epitaph to an Old Ringer (?)

Dear Sir,—Prompted by the suggestion of P. B. M. in the 'Ringing World' of August 28th (page 574) to adapt the quoted epitaph to a certain gentleman 'John Higgs,' found in the churchyard at Cheltenham, perhaps we were one to search long and diligently the following might be discovered. But perhaps not!—Yours faithfully,

S. MARSHALL.

Dereham, Norfolk.

Here lies Cornelius Picton Pells.  
A famous man for ringing bells.  
For ringing bells was his delight  
At morning afternoon and night:  
His raising, ringing and his fall  
Drove many laymen up the wall:  
Around his name a tale is spun  
That he could 'turn-in' seven ton.  
Though other ringers had careers  
Within the art he had no peers.  
Knock off all comers he could spots  
With 'Bourbons' up to 'tinny pots.'  
Both 'Queens' and 'tittums' he could call  
And even ring 'Original'  
Ere destiny caught in its sieve,  
A hundred years saw 'Picton' live.  
When Gray wrote of the 'parting knells'  
The ringer was old Picton Pells.  
Behold 'tis said that in his day  
(And none there are disputing, Nay.)  
Composing had him on his toes,  
Now all he does is de-compose.  
No one could ere surpass his fame  
So, passer-by, revere his name.

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## GRANDSIRE TRIPLES: THE MAKING OF TOUCHES

EDGAR C. SHEPHERD

Considering the vast quantity of touches of Grandsire Triples appearing in text books and ringing papers it is surprising what a limited number seems to be current in belfries and how unenterprising so many conductors are in a field that offers such variety of calling. The following notes have been compiled with the object of awakening some desire to explore the possibilities of this very flexible method, giving the normal tower captain an interest in expanding his change ringing education and an opportunity to know the joy of introducing some novelty into his own belfry.

Nothing deeply scientific has been attempted here. Emphasis has been laid on the need for paper work, but there is nothing in these paragraphs, we venture to think, that may not be understood and proceeded with if approached with desire and pursued with a little patience.

**B**EFORE any attempt can be made to construct touches, the student must make himself familiar with two important processes. The one is the writing out (or pricking, as it is sometimes called) of blocks of changes by the treble leads; the other is the method of proof. Both these matters are touched on here, but if the reader is already competent to deal with both he may skip this bit, with the generous recollection, we hope, that there are others not so well informed.

Pricking changes by the treble leads needs some little practice before facility and speed are attained, but with regular and patient attention to the process the student will soon be able to proceed at a good rate. And it must be emphasised here that such knowledge and ability are absolutely necessary if the would-be conductor wishes to achieve the dual aim of understanding the touches provided for him in the text books and making up touches for himself.

If a plain course of Grandsire Triples is examined it will be seen that from 1234567 a plain lead produces a lead 1253746. Experiment would show that a bob lead from 1234567 would produce 1752634, and a single instead of the bob would give us 1572634. These three facts we may set down as under:

Effect of plain lead	Effect of bob lead	Effect of single lead
234567	234567	234567
253746	— 752634	S 572634

It will be noted that we have not troubled to insert the treble, for this bell will always be at the beginning when we prick the leads.

If 253746 is produced by a plain lead from 234567 then it is clear that if another plain lead is rung from 253746 the bells will be changed about in the same way that they were from 234567. In detail this may be stated:

## EFFECT OF A PLAIN LEAD

The 2nds.—Place bell stays in 2nds place.  
The 3rds.—Place bell moves to 4ths place.  
The 4ths.—Place bell moves to 6ths place.  
The 5ths.—Place bell moves to 3rds place.  
The 6ths.—Place bell moves to 7ths place.  
The 7ths.—Place bell moves to 5ths place.  
So just as a plain lead from 234567 gave

253746, so a plain lead from 253746 will give 275634, and a plain lead from 275634 will give 267453; and so on until we get back to rounds.

It is excellent practice for the student to prick out a large number of plain courses, starting from leads far removed from the plain course. Such courses as 345267, 534627, 764532, will provide practice in transposing by the lead ends; and if a return is not made to the starting point in five leads then it may be certain that a mistake has been made in the pricking. After some practice the student will find that he can get along quite quickly, but he will always have to check over his work to ensure that no mistake has been made.

Alongside the acquisition of facility in pricking plain leads, attention must obviously be given to the pricking of bob and single leads. Three bobs in succession will bring rounds again, and it will be easy to get plenty of practice in writing out these little touches, starting from any chosen lead and returning to it after three leads.

The student may then experiment with single leads, and find out for himself how many successive singles may be pricked before rounds appears again.

The question of pricking by leads having been examined (not unprofitably, we hope) we must now touch on the matter of proof. The full explanation of what follows must be sought in one of the Grandsire text books or from someone willing and able to explain. Here we state briefly how the truth or falseness of a touch of Grandsire Triples may be established with certainty.

1. If the touch contains bobs only, then if all the backstroke leads of the treble are different, the touch is true.

2. If the touch contains singles as well as bobs, write out all the **handstroke and backstroke** leads of the treble and make sure they are all different.

It will be seen that touches in which singles are used require more attention in proof than those having bobs only. When bobs only are used in Grandsire Triples no backstroke lead of the treble can recur at handstroke in another part of the touch. Where singles and bobs are used it is quite possible for the handstroke of a treble lead to occur again at backstroke.

Here is a simple example of the falseness that can occur in a touch of Grandsire Triples where both singles and bobs are used. If the

two leads marked F are examined it will be seen that the backstroke of the first one is repeated in the handstroke of the second one and that the backstroke of the second one is the same as the handstroke of the first one.

A further interesting and instructive point may be made here. If the student has the curiosity to write out

532764 F  
573426  
547632  
etc.

Portion of a false touch  
436527  
453726  
475632 F  
— 264375  
— 532764  
S 745632 F  
764253  
726345  
etc.

every change in the lead following 1532764, and to write out every row in the lead following 1746523, he will find that he has written out the same rows in the reverse order. So, not only are the handstrokes and backstrokes of the treble lead repeated, but a whole lead of changes is repeated.

Note that this falseness can occur without being apparent by inspection of the backstroke leads only.

The other example of falseness occurring through the use of singles is shown in simple form here. It arises when the handstroke lead of the treble is repeated at **handstroke** somewhere else in the touch, and once again the falseness will not be revealed by an examination of the backstroke leads only.

If the handstrokes of both leads marked F are examined, it will be seen that they are identical; but the difference between this and the previous case is that in this instance the only repetition is one handstroke—quite sufficient, however, to rule out the touch altogether.

The would-be composer should make a note of this last revelation, for it may prevent him from falling into an error that has trapped more than one person. **Following a plain lead, in no circumstances must bob, bob, single, be called in succession in Grandsire Triples.**

Despite the above rule it must be noted that there is not the same objection to single, bob, bob, single. This succession of calls may often be used very usefully and with good effect, as will be seen later when we examine the plan of certain touches. The student may now like to study 432567 4 S.B.B.S. and find out why this succession is permissible, while B.B.S. is forbidden.

And in this connection he may like to find out why the touch given here is not false, although it begins with bob, bob, single.

The examples of falseness given here are only two of the ways in which the introduction of singles will provide possibilities that must be guarded against, but the only proofs needed are these two:

1. Where bobs only are used, the truth of the backstroke leads of the treble ensures the truth of the touch.

2. Where singles are introduced the truth of all the **handstroke and backstroke** leads of the treble will ensure the truth of the touch.

(To be continued)

**HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.**—On August 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: F. V. Gant (cond.) 1, J. Fowler 2, Miss J. Peacock 3, S. Penfold 4, H. Thomas (Birstall) 5, C. Deem (Ottery) 6, A. J. Salisbury 7, R. Mallett 8, For Matins.

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Compared with the low level of previous years, the campingologists this year reached lofty heights, thanks to Mr. Rowbottom, on whose farm we stayed for the week. There was a tent as well, but who would forgo the airy comfort of a loft with its smooth floorboards for the sloping ground in a draughty tent? Three out of every 13 campingologists would!

But we had come to ring peals and have a good time socially as well; we passed out with honours on both counts, we thought, with an oh so slight bias towards the latter.

After ringing the initiatory peal of Yorkshire Major at West Hallam on Saturday afternoon it was the turn of F. Hector Bennett to come into his own by giving us his expert opinion of the local brew, which he gave as being excellent both for taste and strength.

Sunday dawned with everyone eagerly awaiting the arrival of one of the greatest composers who ever lived—namely P. G. K. Davies; but it was not until that same evening that the 'pop-pop' of his two-stroke was heard entering the farmyard. Incidentally John Robinson made a point of contending that the former was the greatest composer ever, though whether his tone of voice was sportive or not could not be ascertained.

Ringling for morning service was at Derby Cathedral, and consisted of Yorkshire Royal and Stedman Caters; for evening on the peculiarly fine ring of bells in the town where they have their own brand of tart—Bakewell.

By this time an air of seriousness and anticipation for the tasks ahead showed itself in the faces of the ringers, and the timetable so expertly arranged by our organiser, David Friend, was duly made known and accepted with fervour.

### A DISAPPOINTMENT

What a disappointment then that the first peal on Monday morning should be lost through the sixth bell losing its tongue! And with only five courses to go Cambridge Major at Belper ended thus. However, the morale of the party was boosted by the unsuspected success of a handbell peal of Bob Major in Darley Dale belfry and fully restored by a good peal of Aldenham in the afternoon at this same tower, so much so that everyone found it in himself to drink to further successes during the week.

Our ringing appetites whetted and our drinking ones wetted too, we went off on Tuesday morning in our two designated bands, which, by the way, were not the same every day—this state of affairs tends to lead to an 'A' team and a 'B' team. The first band rang a slow but well struck peal on the deep-sounding bells of Ashover; the method was Double Norwich. The afternoon band were successful in an attempt for Lincolnshire Major on the light ring at Fairfield.

In case the reader should be wondering at this stage how two separate bands for Major can be found from thirteen campingologists, it shall be explained. The fact is that there were less ringers this year than usual, and our numbers were supplemented from day to day by Ian M. Holland, Geoffrey N. Goodall, Gordon A. Halls and Christopher Hughes, all local ringers.

On a suggestion from P. G. K. D. spliced Plain Bob and Cambridge Major was the order at Ripley on Wednesday morning, and this was successfully rung. Meanwhile another peal of Bob Major was achieved on handbells after meeting two short for Cambridge Maximus. The loft was chosen as the place where the attempt should take place, so that the rats might be frightened away from our 'cornflakes' and other foodstuffs.

A peal of London Major was brought round in the afternoon at Ilkeston, though it will not appear in the peal columns. The conductor called a bob one lead prematurely (i.e. at Vths) and not until the next lead head were the bells right again. This decision that the peal should not be counted was arrived at by a democratic vote by all the members of the band.

Thursday was a black day—lost were Rutland Major at Staveley and nine Surprise Minor at Etwell. These abortive attempts were due in part to over-indulgence the previous night and to the antics of our only two members who were called to the bar early in life. The culprits' names? Easy. Their antics? I dare not.

Although come Friday everyone was feeling the cumulative and enervating effects of lack of wholesome and regular meals, short sleeping hours and blistered hands, nevertheless it was our most noteworthy day, three peals being brought round—Cambridge Royal at Duffield in the morning and Yorkshire Major at Matlock and Cambridge Major at St. Luke's, Derby, in the afternoon.

This last named peal is worthy of special mention, since the slender tower has the effect on the bells of making them either 'drop' on the ringer or nearly go over, and without any warning.

Weary now Saturday morning, we cancelled the programmed peal at Greasley. More the surprise then that the peal of Yorkshire Royal at St. Mary's Nottingham, should be a fine effort, taking the mixed band that it was into consideration.

Our tour virtually ended here at St. Mary's (of 'Part ends are such sweet sorrow'), half the party returning home that same evening and the rest the following day.

Our thanks go to Mr. Roobottom in particular for his kind and generous hospitality, and two sons, for their help in all matters.

Thank you, clergy, for letting us ring your bells; thank you local ringers, who met us and saw us suited. L.G.

## FINEDON BELLS REHUNG

The bells of St. Mary the Virgin, Finedon, Northants, have been rehung on ball bearings by Taylors, of Loughborough, and a special service of thanksgiving was held on August 29th. The service was conducted by the Vicar of Finedon, the Rev. J. R. Gill, and the preacher was the Rev. W. C. Knight, of Bozeat, the local branch chairman of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild.

Several ringers had travelled considerable distances to be present, and the bells were kept ringing throughout the greater part of the afternoon and evening. The ringing ranged from rounds to London, and many comments were passed on the excellence of the eight and the fine job of restoration which has been done. In fact Finedon practice night, which is Thursday, looks like becoming very popular with ringers throughout the county.

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LLANDAFF, GLAM.—At the Cathedral on September 6th, 1.312 Plain Bob Major: J. M. Owen (first of Major) 1. Susan Jones (first of Major 'inside') 2. Penelope J. Welch 3. J. B. Plumb 4. D. S. Bishop 5. S. Fenwick 6. M. Pilgrim 7. N. W. H. Simon (cond.) 8. A farewell to the ringer of 2 who is shortly leaving the district.

## MR. WHITAKER'S SUGGESTIONS

Mr. W. G. Wilson writes:

It is perfectly true that in the early days of change ringing it was difficult to move with accuracy more than one place at a time, but I suspect the real reasons why change ringing has been based on the movement of the bells by one position at a time are that it started on two, three or four bells only and also that it is natural to move one step at a time. Try going up (or down) your tower staircase more than one step at a time.

It might well be practicable to ring in this manner, without spoiling the rhythm, on a well-hung ring of eight or ten, but difficulties would come when you met short and had to ring six. The distance moved each time would then be up to half the compass or span. Mr. Whitaker's first example seems to be a mixture of the two systems, in order to keep the whole pulls at front and back he has had to turn the hunting into a dodging hunt with a varied movement of 1, 2 or 3 positions. It would be very difficult in these circumstances to preserve the rhythm.

His second system is much more regular and logical, so long as it remains a 'skipping' hunt. If I understand him rightly, however, his plain bob lead end would be 13527486, obtained by making all the bells above second place lay still—something that has never found favour among ringers.

I know of nothing to stop a band of ringers trying either of these systems—except that they won't! Much more regular and likely variations of our normal method ringing have been introduced in the past only to remain forgotten by the Exercise. There have been double and treble dodging hunts. Erin is rung for the novelty of it and then rejected. Duffield, a theoretically perfect principle, has proved too monotonous to hold a band's interest. The Alliance methods, a logical mixture of Plain and Treble Bob, are only used because they provide additional methods for multi-method peals of Minor.

On eight bells and more there are thousands of methods available, based on the standard techniques of change ringing and providing more than adequate variety for those bands able and wishing to use them. If simple Plain Bob type methods are desired, then in addition to the Reverse, Double, Little and Gainsborough versions, the ringing can be varied by using different bells as the hunt bell or by interchanging the hand- and backstrokes. Not nearly as easy, this, as it sounds.

But Mr. Whitaker should continue his investigations and extend them to the fruitful field of composition. He will add to his knowledge of our art and, who knows, may well succeed in finding a modern equivalent of Middleton's peal of Cambridge Major, or Parker's 12-part Grandfire Triples or Thurstan's 4-part Stedman.

## DALHAM BELLS RUNG AGAIN

For approximately 25 years the five bells at Dalham, Suffolk, have not been rung. An inspection by Mr. R. Clouston in February, 1963, revealed a most interesting and unusual mediæval frame, or bell cage, 13ft. 10ins. high by 16ft. square in plan, with all the bells sound and apparently in a ringable state. (Tenor 13½ cwt.)

In July some ringers from Fordham (Cambs) visited the tower and spent some time in cleaning, greasing, tightening up and fitting ropes. After another visit it was decided to take a band of ringers and, joined by Mr. Clouston, they were successful in ringing the five bells to call changes and Bob Doubles. The general opinion was that the bells go quite well and have a fine tone.

## ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX

A meeting of the Guild was held on September 5th at St. Matthew's Church, Northwram. Ringing commenced at 2.30 after the marriage of local parishioners, until 4.30, when the Rev. T. A. Wharton conducted Evensong. During tea, ably provided by the local ringers, we heard a recording of church bells. We were happy to welcome visitors from Todmorden, Brecon and Scotland. Ringing, including Oxford and Kent Spliced, Double Norwich, Oswald Delight and rounds by an all-ladies band, was enjoyed until nine o'clock, when the meeting closed. W. M.



**WEST COUNTRY OUTING**

On Saturday, August 29th, the Surprise practice band of East Somerset and West Wilts took a trip to Gloucestershire and Warwickshire. The organising genius of Mr. Norman Knee brought together a party from Warminster, Frome, North Bradley and Melksham at a very early hour, so that before 9 a.m. we were ringing at Painswick. Stedman Cinques would not go, but Yorkshire and Grandsire Caters went excellently. Greatly encouraged by this, we moved on to Salford Priors, where Cambridge, Rutland and London were competently tapped off.

The pretty village of Tanworth-in-Arden stands high on a wooded spur of the Arden country, complete with village green, a magnificent chestnut tree, a lovely church with a delightful bucolic spire and a beautifully mellow ring of eight bells. Here we were privileged to ring Stedman for a wedding, and this was followed by Cambridge and Bristol.

At Solihull we were met by Mr. J. C. Dale, the Ringing Master, and most of the local band, including that fine old veteran Mr. William Leeson, whose service to Solihull Church now runs to more than 60 years of unselfish devotion. The fine ring of ten provided Grandsire and Stedman Caters, Plain Bob Royal and a good course of Rutland.

The pleasant run of 13 miles to Warwick passed all too soon, but it was a pleasure to come again to St. Nicholas' Church to meet Mr. Garner-Hayward, Mr. Frank Perrins and Mrs. Perrins. The fine ring of eight responded kindly to our treatment, and the ringing included a course of Bristol. Teas at the Warwick Cafe were of two kinds, 'penny plain and twopence coloured,' but either kind at this pleasant little place can be recommended.

Northleach was our last call and here the ringing was rather mixed. Cambridge, Yorkshire and London gave no trouble, but Bristol was obstinate and had to be abandoned. Despite this last setback it was agreed during the merry run home that the ringing had been of a high standard throughout the day. The hospitality received was much appreciated.

E.C.S.

**'BLUEBELL LINE' COUNTRY**

Following last year's outing, another party of ringers and friends from Hertfordshire, Surrey and Hampshire again visited 'Bluebell Railway Land' on August 30th. A start was made at Maresfield, where half an hour's ringing on the light ring of six before proceeding to Newick. The journey from Newick to Fletching was enlivened for two cars by a disastrous error in navigation, giving the passengers a second view of Newick Green before reaching Fletching, where we found a church perhaps unique in having a chancel wider than its nave. Here in 1264 Simon de Montfort spent the night in vigil before the Battle of Lewes. Being 700 years later, our tastes differed, and Grandsire and Stedman were the order of the day, while our clerical member decided that this would be his choice of parish in ten years' time.

Thence to Sheffield Park and the railway trip—our old friend of 1963, 'No. 27,' resplendent in S.E. and C.R. livery was one half of the motive power, while the rear of the train was brought up by ex-S.B. and S.C.R. 'Terrier' Fenchurch, recently acquired from British Railways after spending recent years around Hayling Island. After the journey, tea was enlivened by our cleric's stories about bishops, boatmen and bullocks, and by various light engine movements taking place on adjacent tracks. A pleasant half-hour was spent photographing the various locomotives and rolling stock 'on shed,' again the 'Dukedog' and 'Stepney' proved the biggest draws—the latter causing a firm supporter of the works of Sir Nigel Gresley in the party to show signs of admiration for this creation of William Stroudley's genius, while the sight of the 'Dukedog's' firebox gave rise to a feeling of awe in the heart of our ex-fireman.

Time was pressing as we travelled across to Lindfield via the windmill at Chailey and the pleasant ring of eight enhanced our touches of the standard methods and the courses of Cambridge before departing.

M.W.H.

**SHROPSHIRE FOURS**

Dear Sir,—Your correspondent Mr. P. R. Johnson (page 607) is wrong in thinking that the Baschurch bells were recast in 1912. They were rehung by Taylors in plain bearings about then but they were not recast.

This is fortunate as the second bell here is noted by Walters in his survey of Shropshire bells (page 238) as quite the most interesting bell in the county. The inscription is in Flemish and can be translated as:

'Mary. In the year of our Lord MCCCC and XLVII (1447) an Van Venloe.'

The bell is beautifully ornamented with foliated patterns, and with the present fourth at Great Ness is said to have come from Valle Crucis Abbey. The inside of the soundbow is flat from the lip for some distance, and then, after a ridge, follows a more normal profile. The tone is only moderate, the main pitches being 932, 715, 552, 430, and 240 cycles per second.

As has been mentioned in your pages before, founders were often gun founders in the Middle Ages and as there was a national need to encourage the latter, foreign bells are quite rare in England. In fact one list only gives 16 examples. Jan Van Venloe also cast a bell which was at Vowchurch in Herefordshire but was recast last century. Another bell which could be by him is the single bell at Whitton, just outside Ipswich, dated 1441. The lettering on this bell is rather smaller than that at Baschurch.

Of the other Baschurch bells the treble is by an unknown founder about 1500 and the two tenors are by Thomas Clibury II. of Wellington, Salop, 1662.—Yours faithfully,

Radlett, Herts. R. W. M. CLOUSTON.

Dear Sir,—P. R. Johnson's excellent article bears out my own findings very well. These and details of the 3-bell towers in the county were published in the 1962 Shropshire Association Report. One small point: there were certainly four bells hung dead at Wentnor when I saw them two years ago, so the other three must have been disposed of since that time.—Yours faithfully,

Retford, Notts. H. POYNER.

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During an outing ably  
organised by the Branch  
Ringing Master, Mr. H. W.  
Knight, Somerset ringers on September 5th  
pulled up in peal the 12 bells of Exeter Cathed-  
ral. This is an achievement rarely performed,  
and our correspondent, who considers that  
the publication of names would be an em-  
barrassment to some, feels that he must men-  
tion that Mr. Knight 'trebled up' wonder-  
fully in a 'not too bad an effort, although  
far from perfect.'

We thank R.B. for his contribution to  
meet the extra postage during the postal  
dislocation.

Would peal statisticians please note that the  
report of a peal rung at Helmschore for the  
Lancashire Association on June 6th, and ap-  
pearing in the 'R.W.' of July 3rd (p. 455), is  
duplicated in the issue of July 10th (p. 471).

There are still a few vacancies for the Grant-  
ley Hall, Ripon, training course from 25th—  
27th September, and applications should be  
made to the Warden at the Hall (Tel Sawley  
259). Ripon and two other towers will be avail-  
able for practical sessions.

During the recent Lancashire peal week two  
peals of Seven Spliced Surprise Major were lost  
in the last half-hour due to a shift course. By  
a strange coincidence both peals were lost in  
exactly the same change—in the first attempt  
2-3 crossing and in the second attempt 4-5  
crossing.

The holiday of Mr. Jeater has meant that  
there has been a delay in dealing with subscrip-  
tion renewals and new subscriptions during the  
past fortnight. A notice in the 'Ringing  
World' announcing his holiday was not appa-  
rently observed. Will anyone who has not re-  
ceived his 'R.W.' please communicate with  
the Editor.

Mr. Aubrey L. Bennett arranged another of  
his half-day excursions on September 9th, when  
Buckfast Abbey proved to be a popular venue.  
Three members of the community joined in the  
ringing. Pleasure was expressed at the presence  
of Mr. Tom Myers when he took part in ring-  
ing after tea at Broadhempston and Abbois-  
kerswell.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

The Tyneside and Birming-  
ham Ringers' Peal Week was  
a far more successful event  
than indicated by the three peals recorded on  
page 622. In fact, 10 peals were rung, the  
additional seven appearing in this issue. It  
was a week of good ringing, good company  
and good food. The non-appearance of the  
remainder was due to the Editor being on  
holiday and those dealing with the make-up  
not realising they were part of the original  
section.

At the annual general meeting of the  
National Police Guild on September 26th, the  
first tower open is now to be St. Giles-in-the-  
Fields and not St. James', Clerkenwell, as  
shown on the circulated list. Time unaltered.

Because of circumstances beyond control,  
it has been necessary to postpone the quarterly  
meeting of the Derby Diocesan Association  
from October 3rd to October 10th. Details  
will be announced in the 'Ringing World' as  
soon as possible.

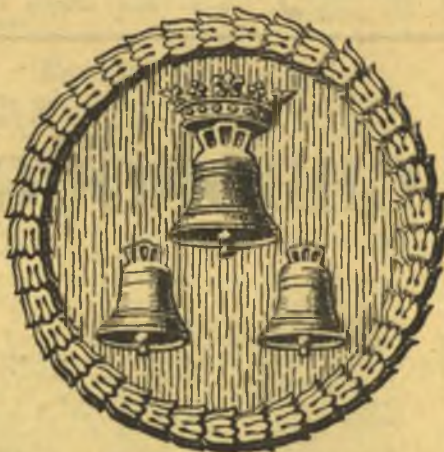
Owing to increased charges and also that  
the guest of honour, the Dean of Guildford,  
(Bishop G. Clarkson), has shingles, Guildford,  
Diocesan Guild decided on Saturday to post-  
pone their annual dinner fixed for October 3rd  
at the Stoke Hotel, Guildford. It will be held  
at Newlands Corner Hotel on November 28th.

Mr. R. Batton of Sturry, Canterbury is at-  
tempting to trace the history of the bells of  
St. Nicholas' Church, Sturry. He would appre-  
ciate any information readers could supply  
concerning the 2nd bell of the ring of 5 in  
the tower prior to 1710, since this would either  
be a Joseph Hatch bell installed in 1622 with  
the other 4 or would be of more ancient origin.

In honour of his 81st birthday, Mr. John  
Willis, chairman of the Kent County Associa-  
tion, 'stood' the tea at the Ashford District  
meeting at Saltwood on September 5th. He  
was applauded on both counts. Among busi-  
ness transacted was a proposal, in conjunction  
with the Kent Education Committee, to hold  
a course on ringing. The collection at the ser-  
vice was for Brabourne Bells Restoration  
Fund. Mr. D. H. Gower, secretary of the local  
band, organised the tea.

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## TYNESIDE AND BIRMINGHAM RINGERS' PEAL WEEK

(Continued from page 622)

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
SALFORD PRIORS, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Matthew.  
On Tues., Aug. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5056 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 14 lb. in F sharp.

Iris Thomson .. .. Treble	Frederick Ross .. .. 5
M. Elaine Murcott .. .. 2	Norman J. Goodman .. .. 6
John E. Anderson .. .. 3	George E. Fearn .. .. 7
*Eric N. Harrison .. .. 4	*J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen J. Ivin. Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.  
\* 250th peal together.

GREAT HAMPTON, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.  
On Tues., Aug. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 60 lb. in F sharp.

Eric N. Harrison .. .. Treble	Michael J. Fellows .. .. 5
*John E. Anderson .. .. 2	Frederick Ross .. .. 6
Norman J. Goodman .. .. 3	*J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. 7
Martin D. Fellows .. .. 4	George E. Fearn .. .. Tenor

Composed by Rev. H. Law James. Conducted by George E. Fearn.  
\* 100th peal together.

LEDBURY, Herefordshire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Wed., Aug. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt. 27 lb. in E flat.

John E. Anderson .. .. Treble	Martin D. Fellows .. .. 5
George E. Fearn .. .. 2	Frederick Ross .. .. 6
Norman J. Goodman .. .. 3	Eric N. Harrison .. .. 7
Michael J. Fellows .. .. 4	J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. Tenor

Composed by Thomas B. Worsley. Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

UPTON-ON-SEVERN, Worcestershire.—At the Church of  
SS. Peter and Paul.

On Wed., Aug. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt. in F.

J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. Treble	Michael J. Fellows .. .. 5
Iris Thomson .. .. 2	Norman J. Goodman .. .. 6
M. Elaine Murcott .. .. 3	Martin D. Fellows .. .. 7
George E. Fearn .. .. 4	Eric N. Harrison .. .. Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by Eric N. Harrison.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
HALESOWEN, Worcestershire.—At the Church of  
St. John-the-Baptist.

On Thurs., Aug. 27, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 74 lb. in E flat.

Iris Thomson .. .. Treble	Eric N. Harrison .. .. 5
M. Elaine Murcott .. .. 2	Frederick Ross .. .. 6
John E. Anderson .. .. 3	George E. Fearn .. .. 7
Michael Maughan .. .. 4	J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen J. Ivin. Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

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

On Thurs., Aug. 27, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

Ann E. Fellows .. .. Treble	George E. Fearn .. .. 7
Susan Funnell .. .. 2	Frederick Ross .. .. 8
Iris Lemare .. .. 3	Norman J. Goodman .. .. 9
Michael Maughan .. .. 4	J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. 10
Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 5	Stephen J. Ivin .. .. 11
Eric N. Harrison .. .. 6	Peter Border .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

WEDNESBURY, Staffs.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew.

On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 24 cwt. 18 lb. in E flat.

Iris Lemare .. .. Treble	John C. Eisel .. .. 6
Ann E. Fellows .. .. 2	Martin D. Fellows .. .. 7
Charles A. S. Webb .. .. 3	J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. 8
John E. Anderson .. .. 4	Eric N. Harrison .. .. 9
Michael J. Fellows .. .. 5	Stephen J. Ivin .. .. Tenor

Arranged by Roderick W. Pipe. Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

## NORTH DEVON PEAL WEEK

ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

WITHERIDGE, Devon.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Mon., Aug. 24, 1964, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lb. in D.

*Philip Mehew .. .. Treble	Alan E. Bagworth .. .. 5
William S. Deason .. .. 2	Colin A. S. Harwood .. .. 6
David P. Hilling .. .. 3	George E. Thoday .. .. 7
Thomas E. Sone .. .. 4	A. Patrick Cannon .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon.  
\* 500th peal. First peal of Cambridge on the bells.

UFFCULME, Devon.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Tues., Aug. 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5056 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb. in E flat.

A. Patrick Cannon .. .. Treble	Alan E. Bagworth .. .. 5
William S. Deason .. .. 2	David P. Hilling .. .. 6
Colin A. S. Harwood .. .. 3	Philip Mehew .. .. 7
*A. David Leach .. .. 4	†George E. Thoday .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. Timbrell. Conducted by George E. Thoday.  
\* First peal of Surprise Major. † 200th peal of Surprise Major.  
First peal of Superlative on the bells.

PILTON, BARNSTABLE, Devon.—At the Church of  
St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Wed., Aug. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

*David P. Hilling .. .. Treble	Robin G. Leale .. .. 5
Thomas E. Sone .. .. 2	George E. Thoday .. .. 6
William S. Deason .. .. 3	Philip Mehew .. .. 7
Norman Mallett .. .. 4	A. Patrick Cannon .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. P. Heywood. Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon.  
\* 100th peal. The conductor's 1,000th peal, conducted 514, rung  
in 750 towers and with 1,459 different ringers. First peal of Double  
Norwich Court Bob on the bells.

CHULMLEIGH, Devon.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

On Thurs., Aug. 27, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt. 26 lb. in E flat.

Thomas E. Sone .. .. Treble	*A. David Leach .. .. 5
David P. Hilling .. .. 2	William S. Deason .. .. 6
Colin A. S. Harwood .. .. 3	George E. Thoday .. .. 7
Alan E. Bagworth .. .. 4	Philip Mehew .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. Craven. Conducted by David P. Hilling.  
\* First peal of Yorkshire and on the bells.

APPLEDRE, Devon.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Fri., Aug. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb. in G.

A. David Leach .. .. Treble	David P. Hilling .. .. 5
Philip Mehew .. .. 2	Colin A. S. Harwood .. .. 6
Alan E. Bagworth .. .. 3	A. Patrick Cannon .. .. 7
William S. Deason .. .. 4	George E. Thoday .. .. Tenor

Composed by P. G. K. Davies. Conducted by George E. Thoday.  
First peal of Rutland on the bells.

BIDEFORD, Devon.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Fri., Aug. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5120 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in E.

A. Patrick Cannon .. .. Treble	*William S. Deason .. .. 5
Thomas E. Sone .. .. 2	Colin A. S. Harwood .. .. 6
Christine Rimmer .. .. 3	George E. Thoday .. .. 7
Alan E. Bagworth .. .. 4	Philip Mehew .. .. Tenor

Composed by R. F. B. Speed. Conducted by Philip Mehew.  
\* 200th peal. First peal of Lincolnshire on the bells.

CHITTLEHAMPTON, Devon.—At the Church of St. Hieritha.

On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 15 lb. in F sharp.

Thomas E. Sone .. .. Treble	Alan E. Bagworth .. .. 5
William S. Deason .. .. 2	George E. Thoday .. .. 6
*A. David Leach .. .. 3	David P. Hilling .. .. 7
Colin A. S. Harwood .. .. 4	Philip Mehew .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. Ivin. Conducted by David P. Hilling.  
\* First peal of Bristol and on the bells.



## A YORKSHIRE PEAL WEEK

## ALL THE PEALS RUNG FOR THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

CAMPSTALL, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

On Mon., Aug. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in A flat.

Wilfrid F. Moreton .. Treble	Gordon Benfield .. .. 5
Iris Lemare .. .. 2	† Roger V. Clarke .. .. 6
* Richard E. Price .. .. 3	W. Eric Critchley .. .. 7
Peter Scholfield .. .. 4	J. Henry Fielden .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by J. Henry Fielden.

\* 400th peal. † First peal of Major.

CHAPEL ALLERTON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Matthew.  
On Mon., Aug. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Seven extents in 15 methods: (1) Double Bob, Fulbeck, Reverse and Canterbury; (2) Double Oxford, Thelwall, St. Clement's and Childwall; (3) Cambridge and Primrose Surprise; (4) Oxford Bob and Plain Bob; (5) Double Court; (6) Oxford T.B.; (7) Kent T.B.

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in B flat.

Roger V. Clarke .. Treble	Peter Scholfield .. .. 4
W. Eric Critchley .. .. 2	Richard E. Price .. .. 5
Donald Niblett .. .. 3	Wilfrid F. Moreton .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.

Rung for the induction of the Rev. E. O. Sheild at this church.

HEPTONSTALL, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Thomas.

On Tues., Aug. 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5152 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, being 1,280 London, 1,312 Bristol, 1,568 Cambridge and 992 Superlative, with 106 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lb. in E.

Roger V. Clarke .. Treble	Alan Leggett .. .. 5
W. Eric Critchley .. .. 2	Richard E. Price .. .. 6
* Iris Lemare .. .. 3	Gordon Benfield .. .. 7
J. Henry Fielden .. .. 4	Wilfrid F. Moreton .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.

\* First peal of Spiced Surprise.

TODMORDEN, Yorkshire.—At Christ Church.

On Tues., Aug. 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 23 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb. in E.

John Bryant .. Treble	* Roger V. Clarke .. .. 5
Alan Leggett .. .. 2	Wilfrid F. Moreton .. .. 6
Richard Parker .. .. 3	J. Henry Fielden .. .. 7
Peter Scholfield .. .. 4	Richard E. Price .. .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. Worsley.

Conducted by Richard E. Price.

\* First peal in the method.

CONISBROUGH, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Wed., Aug. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5152 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb. in G.

Peter Scholfield .. Treble	Alan Leggett .. .. 5
Neil Donovan .. .. 2	* Roger V. Clarke .. .. 6
Edward Dalingwater .. .. 3	Gordon Benfield .. .. 7
W. Eric Critchley .. .. 4	Richard E. Price .. .. Tenor

Composed by R. F. B. Speed.

Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.

\* First peal in the method.

PONTEFRAC, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Wed., Aug. 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 18 cwt. 9 lb. in E.

Richard E. Price .. Treble	Donald Niblett .. .. 6
Iris Lemare .. .. 2	W. Eric Critchley .. .. 7
Neil Donovan .. .. 3	Gordon Benfield .. .. 8
Alan Leggett .. .. 4	Wilfrid F. Moreton .. .. 9
Peter Scholfield .. .. 5	J. Henry Fielden .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. Sedgley.

Conducted by J. Henry Fielden.

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

On Thurs., Aug. 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 24 lb. in F sharp.

Iris Lemare .. Treble	Alan Leggett .. .. 5
John Bryant .. .. 2	J. Henry Fielden .. .. 6
Peter Scholfield .. .. 3	Wilfrid F. Moreton .. .. 7
* Roger V. Clarke .. .. 4	Richard E. Price .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. Ivin.

Conducted by Richard E. Price.

\* First peal in the method.

WHISTON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

On Thurs., Aug. 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F.

Roger V. Clarke .. Treble	Peter Scholfield .. .. 5
Alan Leggett .. .. 2	Wilfrid F. Moreton .. .. 6
Iris Lemare .. .. 3	Gordon Benfield .. .. 7
Richard E. Price .. .. 4	J. Henry Fielden .. .. Tenor

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood.

Conducted by J. Henry Fielden.

IDLE, Yorkshire.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Fri., Aug. 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5184 LINDUM SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb. in F.

Alan Leggett .. Treble	Gordon Benfield .. .. 5
Iris Lemare .. .. 2	Roger V. Clarke .. .. 6
W. Eric Critchley .. .. 3	Wilfrid F. Moreton .. .. 7
Neil Donovan .. .. 4	Richard E. Price .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.

## TWELVE AND TEN BELL PEALS

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

KINGSTON-UPON-HULL, Yorkshire.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5042 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 26 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in D.

Jack L. Millhouse .. Treble	Robert W. Hinde .. .. 7
Beryl N. Reed .. .. 2	Colin W. Reed .. .. 8
Hilary F. Martin .. .. 3	Colin A. Lester .. .. 9
Jean L. Lavender .. .. 4	Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. 10
Olive D. Lester .. .. 5	Stewart F. Kimber .. .. 11
Geoffrey Paul .. .. 6	Frank E. Darby .. .. Tenor

Arranged by Peter Border.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Thurs., Aug. 13, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

Brian J. Woodruffe .. Treble	John C. Eisel .. .. 7
George E. Fearn .. .. 2	Martin D. Fellows .. .. 8
Diana M. Frost .. .. 3	Frederick Ross .. .. 9
Susan Funnell .. .. 4	Alan J. Frost .. .. 10
Michael J. Fellows .. .. 5	David J. Purnell .. .. 11
Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 6	J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

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

On Thurs., Aug. 20, 1964, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

Ann E. Fellows .. Treble	Edward W. Colley .. .. 6
Jennifer M. B. Cook .. .. 2	Frederick Ross .. .. 7
James Insley .. .. 3	Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 8
Susan Funnell .. .. 4	David J. Purnell .. .. 9
George E. Fearn .. .. 5	J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

KIDDERMINSTER, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints.

On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 24½ cwt.

Andrew N. Stubbs .. Treble	* John C. Eisel .. .. 7
J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. 2	Clifford A. Barron .. .. 8
Alan F. Thirst .. .. 3	Patrick I. Chapman .. .. 9
Martin D. Fellows .. .. 4	Rev. Roger O. Fry .. .. 10
* Michael J. Fellows .. .. 5	Peter Border .. .. 11
John S. Mason .. .. 6	Wilfred Williams .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Wilfred Williams.

\* First peal of Maximus in the method. First peal of Maximus in the method on the bells.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

ALTON, Staffs.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., June 13, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5182 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

Peter Dale .. Treble	Alan Sharples .. .. 5
Sydney Hough .. .. 2	Derek A. Ashton .. .. 6
John A. Booth .. .. 3	John Robinson .. .. 7
Neil Lomas .. .. 4	Dennis Mottershead .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Roberts.

Conducted by Derek A. Ashton.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BRISTOL.—At the Church of St. Ambrose.

On Tues., Sept. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11½ cwt. in F sharp.

Geoffrey R. Marchant .. Treble	Henry Taysom .. .. 5
Jennifer M. Taylor .. .. 2	John H. Taylor .. .. 6
David A. Burt .. .. 3	James R. Taylor .. .. 7
Alan Tubb .. .. 4	Don C. Exell .. .. Tenor

Composed by Arthur Craven.

Conducted by Don C. Exell.



## CHIPPENHAM, Wiltshire.—At the Church of St. Paul.

On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In five methods, comprising 1,120 London, 1,088 Superlative, 1,024 each of Bristol, Cambridge and Pudsey; with 107 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell. Tenor 14½ cwt.

Ivor Goulter .. .. Treble	Don C. Exell .. .. 5
Rev. Roger Keeley .. .. 2	Edward R. Venn .. .. 6
Cyril A. Wratten .. .. 3	Anthony R. Peake .. .. 7
Bruce Wakefield .. .. 4	Brian Bladon .. .. Tenor

Composed by Albert J. Pitman. Conducted by Anthony R. Peake.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

HERNHILL, Kent.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

*Anthony E. Davies .. Treble	*Martin Ostler .. .. 5
George E. Ruck .. .. 2	*David L. Cawley .. .. 6
*Graham G. Firman .. 3	Frank C. W. Knight .. 7
Nicholas J. Davies .. 4	Dennis A. Chapman .. Tenor

Arranged by Roderick W. Pipe. Conducted by Dennis A. Chapman.  
\* First peal of Major. Tenor 10 cwt, in A flat.

## NORTHFLEET, Kent.—At the Church of St. Botolph.

On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Middleton's .. .. Treble	Tenor 16½ cwt.
Edwin G. Jenner .. .. 2	Monty W. Gilbert .. .. 5
Thomas E. Sone .. .. 3	Ernest J. Ladd .. .. 6
John R. Ketteringham .. 3	Martin L. Howe .. .. 7
Cyril S. Jarrett .. .. 4	Bernard F. L. Groves .. Tenor

Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.

Rung following and in honour of the wedding of Miss Mary Dyke and Tony Lewiss, both members of the local band.

## TUNBRIDGE WELLS, Kent.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 CHESTERFIELD SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt, 3 lb, in F sharp.

Ian H. Oram .. .. Treble	Andrew M. Macve .. .. 5
Mary S. Taylor .. .. 2	Arthur S. Richards .. .. 6
Richard G. Crosland .. 3	Ralph Bird .. .. 7
John Faircloth .. .. 4	Thomas Cullingworth .. Tenor

Composed by G. Freebrey. Conducted by Ian H. Oram.

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

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

ANSTEY, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Fri., Sept. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt, 2 qr, 4 lb, in G.

Malcolm E. Wade .. Treble	Martin C. Faulkes .. .. 5
David G. Wilford .. .. 2	A. James Poyner .. .. 6
A. Maxwell Lindsey .. 3	Alan E. Hartley .. .. 7
William A. Lacey .. .. 4	*R. Kingsley Mason .. Tenor

Composed by F. Dench. Conducted by David G. Wilford.

\* 175th peal. First in the method as conductor.  
A 77th birthday compliment to Walter J. Tanser, of St. Margaret's, Leicester.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

WALESBY, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sun., Sept. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt, 14 lb, in F sharp.

Robert W. Hinde .. Treble	Olive D. Lester .. .. 5
Geoffrey Paul .. .. 2	Frank E. Darby .. .. 6
Joyce M. Gurnhill .. 3	Stewart F. Kimber .. 7
Peter A. Sharp .. .. 4	Colin A. Lester .. .. Tenor

Composed by Chas. Middleton. Conducted by Frank E. Darby.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

HARROW WEALD, Middlesex.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Wed., Sept. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 7 cwt, 3 qr, 3 lb, in A.

Elsie K. Hart .. .. Treble	H. George Hart .. .. 5
William S. Deason .. 2	Malcolm C. C. Melville .. 6
Eric Edmondson .. 3	John Hill .. .. 7
*Dan S. Pont .. .. 4	John R. Mayne .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. Eric Critchley. Conducted by John R. Mayne.

\* First peal in the method.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

BURFORD, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 ZELAH SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 17 cwt, 3 qr, 1 lb.

William J. Dixon .. Treble	Giles R. Shedden .. .. 5
Edward R. Venn .. .. 2	Brian W. Hall .. .. 6
William Birmingham .. 3	Wilfrid G. Wilson .. .. 7
Michael Hatchett .. 4	Alan R. Pink .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. Tipler.

First peal in the method by all except the conductor, and on the bells.

Rung on the day appointed for the observance of the beheading of St. John the Baptist.

## STOKE POGES, Buckinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Wed., Sept. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Sir A. P. Heywood's Transposition of T. Thurstans' Four-Part.

Tenor 13 cwt, 2 qr, 3 lb, in F sharp.

David Cornwall .. Treble	John Young .. .. 5
Joyce I. Barton .. .. 2	Sidney M. Bailey .. .. 6
Arthur D. Barker .. .. 3	Wilfrid G. Wilson .. .. 7
E. Dennis Poole .. .. 4	A. Charles Tovey .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Arthur D. Barker.

Especially arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to the editor of 'The Ringing World,' Mr. T. W. White.

## HADDENHAM, Buckinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Thurs., Sept. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 CANTERBURY PLEASURE MAJOR**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

Edward R. Venn .. Treble	William Birmingham .. 5
*Jennifer Sceeny .. .. 2	Michael Hatchett .. .. 6
*Sydney M. Bailey .. 3	*Wilfrid G. Wilson .. .. 7
*William Birmingham, jun. 4	Alan R. Pink .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. Barnett.

\* First peal in the method.  
A farewell to the incumbent, the Rev. W. W. J. Taylor, and a thankoffering for his ministry in this parish.

## GORING-ON-THAMES, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of

St. Thomas of Canterbury.

On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5120 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 8 cwt, 21 lb, in A.

William Birmingham .. Treble	*Timothy G. Pett .. .. 5
*Elizabeth T. Birmingham .. 2	Giles R. Shedden .. .. 6
Frederick R. Scott .. .. 3	Sydney M. Bailey .. .. 7
*William Birmingham, jun. 4	David P. Hilling .. .. Tenor

Composed by Richard F. B. Speed.

Conducted by David P. Hilling.

\* First peal in the method.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

WEEDON BEC, Northants.—At the Royal Foundation Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt, 3 qr, 2 lb, in F.

*Michael R. Harvey .. Tenor	Roger W. Smith .. .. 5
*Shirley Ruddlesden .. 2	Alan C. Cozens .. .. 6
Charles E. Truman .. 3	David Taylor .. .. 7
James Linnell .. .. 4	Barrie Hendry .. .. Tenor

Composed by Nolan Golden.

Conducted by Barrie Hendry.

\* First peal of Major.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

TANWORTH-IN-ARDEN, Warwickshire.—At the Church of

St. Mary Magdalen.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In seven methods, being 1,600 London, 1,280 Rutland, 640 Bristol, 480 each of Cambridge and Superlative and 320 each of Yorkshire and Lincolnshire, with 110 changes of method. Tenor 12 cwt.

J. Alan Ainsworth .. Treble	Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 5
*Jennifer M. B. Cook .. 2	David J. Purnell .. .. 6
Susan Funnell .. .. 3	George E. Fearn .. .. 7
Frederick Ross .. .. 4	Robert C. Kippin .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

\* First peal of Spliced.

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**THE SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.**  
**LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.**—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.  
*On Mon., Aug. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5280 KENT AND OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR**  
 Worcester Variation. Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in B.  
 Raymond Benfield .. .. Treble \*Susanna Poppleston .. 5  
 Peter Humphrey .. .. 2 Dan S. Pont .. .. 6  
 George A. Dawson .. .. 3 Michael Poppleston .. 7  
 John C. Shonfeld .. .. 4 G. Ronald Edwards .. Tenor  
 Composed by Ernest Morris. Conducted by Raymond Benfield.  
 \* First peal 'inside.'  
 Rung to mark the academic achievement of the ringer of 5.

**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**BALDERTON, Notts.**—At the Church of St. Giles.  
*On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5120 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 8 cwt. 24 lb. in G sharp.  
 H. George Hart .. .. Treble B. Stedman Payne .. 5  
 Elsie K. Hart .. .. 2 Harry Poyner .. .. 6  
 Beryl N. Reed .. .. 3 Roger Baldwin .. .. 7  
 S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. 4 Colin W. Reed .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by Ernest Bennett. Conducted by Roger Baldwin.  
 First peal in the method on the bells.

**DAYBROOK, Notts.**—At the Church of St. Paul.  
*On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**  
 Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb. in G.  
 J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part. Joyce M. Gurnhill .. 5  
 \*Paul Raithby .. .. Treble Geoffrey R. Parker .. 6  
 Katherine Burchnall .. 2 James W. Raithby .. 7  
 Grace Burchnall .. .. 3 Jack L. Millhouse .. Tenor  
 Peter A. Sharp .. .. 4  
 Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.  
 \* First peal.

**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
**COLEMAN'S HATCH, Sussex.**—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.  
*On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5024 BELGRAVE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in G.  
 Frank I. Hairs .. .. Treble Ann Jenner .. .. 5  
 Patricia E. Buss .. .. 2 Edward J. Jenner .. 6  
 Janet H. Buss .. .. 3 Stanley Jenner .. .. 7  
 Olive D. Tester .. .. 4 Colin A. Tester .. Tenor  
 Composed and Conducted by Stanley Jenner.  
 First peal in the method by all the band.

**THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**HIGHCLERE, Hampshire.**—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.  
*On Mon., Aug. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**  
 Tenor 11 cwt. 27 lb. in G.  
 Philip Murduck .. .. Treble \*Geoffrey D. Weston .. 5  
 Bradley Murduck .. .. 2 Denby P. Murduck .. 6  
 Eddie Cox .. .. 3 Geoffrey K. Dodd .. 7  
 John Pares .. .. 4 Reginald F. Crook .. Tenor  
 Composed by J. Pritchard. Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.  
 \* First peal of Major. First peal on eight bells by a complete  
 Andover District Band since the District formation on Feb. 4th, 1928.  
 A farewell to Eddie Cox who was joining the Royal Navy.

## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**  
**WORMINGFORD, Essex.**—At the Church of St. Andrew.  
*On Tues., Sept. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**  
 Being one extent each of St. Clement's and Oxford Bob, and five  
 extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.  
 \*Lesley Ward .. .. Treble †Peter G. Pitt .. .. 4  
 John A. Avis .. .. 2 Frank B. Lufkin .. .. 5  
 Neil V. Avis .. .. 3 David F. Culham .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.  
 \* First peal. † First in three methods.

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**NORTON DISNEY, Lincolnshire.**—At the Church of All Saints.  
*On Fri., July 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**  
 Being seven 720's of different callings. Tenor 8 cwt. 27 lb.  
 \*Walter Dove .. .. Treble Geoffrey R. Parker .. 4  
 Fred Dixon .. .. 2 Phillip C. Pitchford .. 5  
 Amos Ingall .. .. 3 Louis Willders .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Louis Willders.  
 \* First peal.

**NORTON DISNEY, Lincolnshire.**—At the Church of All Saints.  
*On Sat., July 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**  
 Being two extents each of Kent, Oxford and Plain, and one extent  
 of St. Clement's. Tenor 8 cwt.  
 John E. Cook .. .. Treble Albert Drewery .. .. 4  
 \*Florence Chester .. .. 2 Roger A. Smith .. .. 5  
 John F. Pearson .. .. 3 Frederick J. Jackson .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Frederick J. Jackson.  
 \* First peal in four methods 'inside.'

**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**NORTH MUSKHAM, Notts.**—At the Church of St. Wilfred.  
*On Tues., Sept. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**  
 Being six extents each of Reverse Canterbury, Southrepps, Clifford's  
 Pleasure, Plain Bob, Kennington, April Day and Grandsire.  
 Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb. in G.  
 \*David D. Parsons .. .. Treble †Maurice W. Harrison .. 4  
 F. William Midwinter .. 2 †Margaret Elsie Chilton .. 5  
 †Ruth Blackshaw .. .. 3 Charles J. Gopp .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Margaret Elsie Chilton.  
 \* First peal on the treble and in seven methods. † 25th peal  
 together. ‡ 25th peal together.

**BASSINGHAM, Lincolnshire.**—At the Church of St. Michael.  
*On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**  
 Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr.  
 Margaret E. Chilton .. Treble Frederick Derry .. 4  
 F. William Midwinter .. 2 W. Neville Brown .. 5  
 Ruth Blackshaw .. .. 3 Maurice W. Harrison .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Maurice W. Harrison.  
 A 21st birthday compliment to Miss J. Bradley and Miss R. Black-  
 shaw.

**THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**CALSTOCK, Cornwall.**—At the Church of St. Andrew.  
*On Mon., Sept. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**  
 Being 42 six scores (ten callings). Tenor 9 cwt. 36 lb.  
 \*Peter A. Rawles .. .. Treble Wilfred C. Boucher .. 4  
 †Rev. Gordon Ruming .. 2 D. Roy Bould .. .. 5  
 Margaret A. Bould .. .. 3 D. Leslie Cundy .. Tenor  
 Conducted by D. Roy Bould.  
 \* First peal. † First peal 'inside.' First peal on the bells.  
 Rung to commemorate the centenary of the first change ringing in  
 the county of Cornwall, being three six scores of Grandsire Doubles  
 in this tower.

**THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**ELLISFIELD, Hampshire.**—At the Church of St. Martin.  
*On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**  
 In nine methods/variations, being three extents Clifford's Pleasure,  
 two extents Wychbold, three extents Southrepps Pleasure, two extents  
 Cadbury, eight extents April Day, two extents Dedworth, ten extents  
 Plain Bob, two extents St. Helen's and ten extents of Grandsire in ten  
 callings. Tenor 9 cwt.  
 \*Kay Winterbourne .. Treble Christine Hassell .. 3  
 †Paul G. Holmes .. .. 2 Michael G. Holbrook .. 4  
 Geoffrey K. Dodd .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.  
 \* First peal. † 25th peal. First peal of Doubles for all except  
 the conductor. The first peal on the bells.

## HANDBELL PEALS

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, Lancashire.**—At the Church of St. Peter.  
*On Wed., Sept. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR**  
 Tenor size 16 in B flat.  
 A. Peter Whitehead .. 1—2 \*Robert B. Smith .. 5—6  
 Neil Bennett .. .. 3—4 Derek A. Ashton .. 7—8  
 Composed by J. Nichol. Conducted by Robert B. Smith.  
 \* 100th peal on handbells.

**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
**ST. ALBANS, Hertfordshire.**—At 17, Queen Street.  
*On Tues., Aug. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**  
 Tenor size 14 in D.  
 Gerald Penney .. .. 1—2 Geoffrey Dodds .. 5—6  
 Julia A. Fellows .. .. 3—4 Joyce Dodds .. 7—8  
 \*Roger D. R. Brown .. 9—10  
 Arranged and Conducted by Gerald Penney.  
 \* First peal of Royal.



## QUARTER PEALS

**ASHCOTT, SOMERSET.**—On August 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: M. Dean (11) (first quarter) 1, K. Prime (cond.) 2, Joy Bagg (14) 3, Janice Haggitt (15) 4, Freda Prime 5, D. Dean (14) 6. A birthday compliment to Michael Dean.

**BIDDENDEN, KENT.**—On August 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: H. Payne 1, H. Deacon 2, B. Johnson 3, Miss C. Wood 4, R. Benstead 5, G. Grant 6, L. Payne (cond.) 7, D. Powell (cover) 8. First in the method for all the band.

**BILLESDON, LEICS.**—On August 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Faulkner 1, G. Lee 2, J. G. Geary (cond.) 3, D. F. Moore 4, H. Faulkner 5, A. N. Geary 6. Rung for evening service.

**BRIGHTWELL, BERKS.**—On September 7th, 1,260 Doubles, being 60 Stedman, and 5 extents each of Grandsire and Plain Bob: Miss Angela Ayres 1, C. Adam 2, A. Strong 3, R. Heyworth 4, R. Partridge (cond.) 5, G. Partridge 6. Rung to congratulate Jack Berry, tower captain of Walingford, and Pat Best on their recent wedding. All the above ring at Walingford for Sunday services. Walingford bells are at present out of action owing to extensive repairs to the tower.

**BURSTWICK, E. YORKS.**—On September 2nd, 1,440 Minor (Bevercy, Cambridge, Surfleet; Plain, Double, Single Oxford Bob): Pat Samuel 1, P. Cattermole (cond.) 2, J. Rank 3, G. Smith 4, D. Johnson 5, R. Ducker 6.

**CALDICUT, MUN.**—On September 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: L. Sowerby 1, Adrienne Wheeler 2, R. Hullett (cond.) 3, R. Lewis 4, I. Cooper 5, M. Keates 6. In honour of Our Lady on the patronal festival. First quarter by 1, 2 and 6.

**CAMBORNE, CORNWALL.**—At the Parish Church on September 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Trethewey 1, R. Aldington 2, Rev. A. S. Roberts 3, T. R. Roach 4, P. J. Came 5, A. Carvelth (cond.) 6, E. H. Langley 7, D. Stephens 8. Rung as a welcome to Cornwall to Mr. E. H. Langley.

**CANTERBURY, KENT.**—At St. Alphege's, on September 3rd, to commemorate the Fallen of World War II, the 25th anniversary of the outbreak of which occurs this day, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. G. Firman 1, D. L. Cawley 2, M. Ostler 3, A. E. Davies (first 'inside') 4, C. W. J. Beeching 5, F. C. W. Knight (cond.) 6.

**CASTLE ASHBY, NORTHANTS.**—On September 1st, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: D. Pearson (cond.) 1, B. Vickers 2, E. Buckley 3, R. Cowley 4, T. Smith (first quarter) 5.

**CHOBHAM, SURREY.**—On Sunday, August 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. J. Hudson 1, C. Hull 2, P. Privett 3, J. W. Priest 4, R. Collins 5, D. G. Blows (cond.) 6.

**CRANFORD, MIDDLESEX.**—On August 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Susan Goodfellow 1, Josephine Pole 2, P. Woodgyer 3, J. Britchford 4, D. Fowles (cond.) 5, J. Goodfellow 6. Rung as a farewell to the Rector, the Rev. Michael Dean, and his family on their leaving Cranford for St. Mark's, Regents Park.

**CROYDON, SURREY.**—At St. John's Church, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss C. Snelling 1, K. Taber 2, R. Davies (cond.) 3, A. Brown (first 'inside') 4, N. S. Brown 5, G. H. Humphries 6, R. C. Stevens 7, H. G. Pratt 8.

**DARLINGTON, CO. DURHAM.**—On September 7th, at St. Cuthbert's Church, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss P. Dowse 1, Mrs. T. Cooke 2, Mrs. E. P. Rock (first on 8 bells) 3, Miss J. Warwick 4, Miss B. Cooke 5, Miss J. Cooke 6, F. Hodgson 7, T. Cooke (cond.) 8.

**EAST DRAYTON, NOTTS.**—On September 7th, 1,320 Doubles (Plain Bob and April Day): D. Chambers 1, S. Barton 2, P. Vincent 3, P. Brett 4, H. Poyner (cond.) 5. By members of the King Edward VI School Campanological Society.

**ELTHAM, KENT.**—On Sunday, August 30th, 1,260 Single Oxford: Miss M. Lawrence 1, J. Sims 2, P. Clarke 3, K. Small 4, G. Clarke (cond.) 5, F. Hurrell 6. Rung for Evensong. First in method as conductor. First in method by all.

**FARINGDON, BERKS.**—On August 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (4, 6, 8 covering): Mrs. Diana Wareham 1, J. Strawford 2, C. R. Miles 3, F. C. Carter 4, C. I. J. Pearce (cond.) 5, J. Moore 6, F. H. Whipp 7, A. C. Carter 8. A farewell compliment to treble ringer who is leaving the district. Also on September 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): A. C. Carter 1, J. Strawford 2, C. I. J. Pearce (cond.) 3, John Pearce 4, C. R. Miles 5, J. Moore 6, F. C. Carter 7, James Belcher 8. Rung as a compliment to Miss Stella Proctor, she having completed 25 years' service as organist of All Saints'.

**FULHAM, LONDON.**—At All Saints' on September 6th, 1,287 Stedman Caters: R. Sanders 1, A. Milledge 2, J. Salter 3, M. Uphill 4, G. Parsons 5, R. Tingley 6, W. Rawlings 7, J. Marks 8, J. Euston (cond.) 9, C. Bew 10. Before Evensong. Arranged as an 81st birthday compliment to William Shepherd of Addlestone.

**GOSFORTH, NORTHUMB.**—On September 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Hall, 1, A. G. Craddock (cond.) 2, R. A. Yeates 3, J. Crowther 4, W. Davidson 5, A. Boyd 6. Rung on the front six.

**GT. ADDINGTON, NORTHANTS.**—On Sunday, September 6th, 1,260 Minor K720 Spiced St. Clement's, Double Oxford Plain Bob and 540 Plain Bob: Miss B. Winterbone 1, J. Mills 2, Miss A. Allin (first quarter) 3, Miss C. H. Sharman 4, D. Mills 5, F. Crozier (cond.) 6. First 720 of spliced by all. Rung for Holy Communion.

**HASTINGS, SUSSEX.**—On Aug. 30th, at All Saints', 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Maion E. D. Muggridge 1, S. F. Buckland 2, Janet M. Oliver 3, A. D. Hancock 4, Susan H. Gladwick 5, J. A. Muggridge 6, C. A. Levett 7, A. J. Parcell 8, 4, 6, 8 cover. First quarter 1 and 6. Rung for Evensong and a farewell to Janet Oliver on leaving to take a nursing career in London.

**HAXEY, Lincs.**—On August 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Cook 1, C. Cook 2, M. A. Rose 3, E. Cooper 4, J. F. Underwood (first as cond.) 5, J. D. Cuthforth 6. Rung half-muffled in memory and a tribute from the ringers to the late W. D. Cooper, who retired last Easter from the office of church warden after 29 years.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On August 24th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: A. L. B. King (first quarter) 1, R. Blackshaw 2, J. Dowse (cond.) 3, M. W. Harrison 4, R. Larkin 5. A 13th birthday compliment to Andrew King. Also on August 30th, 1,320 Doubles: J. Dowse 1, R. Larkin 2, R. Blackshaw 3, M. W. Harrison 4, J. Heaps 5. Rung for Evensong and to welcome Long Eaton old age pensioners. Also on Sunday, September 6th, 1,272 Minimus (Reverse Canterbury): C. R. Larkin 1, R. Blackshaw 2, J. Dowse 3, M. W. Harrison 4. Rung for Evensong.

**HUNTINGTON, YORKS.**—On August 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: G. Pearce (first quarter) 1, Susan Thompson 2, Margaret Wilkinson 3, C. J. Groome 4, J. Woolley (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also on September 6th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Mary I. Hildred (first quarter attempt) 1, D. Pearson 2, C. J. Groome 3, Susan E. Thompson 4, A. C. Banton (cond.) 5, Jennifer Pearce 6. First quarter by a local band. For Evensong and also to welcome the Rev. Antony Kriel and family to the parish from South Africa.

**ILTON, SOMERSET.**—On September 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: S. A. Turner 1, H. E. Turner 2, J. Cornelius (cond.) 3, C. Gratton 4, T. Hill 5, J. Stenner 6. First on the bells since being augmented to six. Rung with best wishes from the band as a 90th birthday compliment to Mr. F. Stedman, of Wyke Regis, Dorset.

**LYMPE, KENT.**—On September 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Neilson 1, Rachel Sinden 2, Elizabeth Todd 3, H. P. Yates 4, G. Neilson 5, R. P. Brotherton (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**MAIDSTONE, KENT.**—At All Saints', on September 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. M. Mannering 1, T. E. Sone (cond.) 2, J. T. Mannering 3, L. Head 4, B. F. L. Groves 5, A. Macfadyen 6, T. Cullingworth 7, F. Thwaites 8. Rung for Evensong.

**NAILSEA, SOMERSET.**—On September 8th, 1,260 Doubles (6 methods): J. Yeates 1, T. G. Phillips 2, J. Brain 3, L. Derrick (cond.) 4, C. Kortright 5, H. Hardwidge 6. A birthday compliment to the ringer of 6.

**ST. IPPOLYTS, HERTS.**—On September 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: F. W. Croft 1, Miss J. Harris 2, L. Runnacles 3, A. C. Harris 4, M. Chalkley 5, M. D. Trigg (first as cond.) 6. Rung for Evensong.

**SALEHURST, SUSSEX.**—On August 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Marion Carley (first attempt) 1, Helen Dadsell 2, Eileen Coman 3, Gwen Fellows 4, Albert Smith (cond.) 5, G. H. Muggridge 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Albert Arthur Hughes, J.P. of the Bell Foundry, Whitechapel, London, aged 79 years, who passed away on August 11th, 1964.

**SOUTH MARSTON, WILTS.**—On Tuesday, September 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss S. Haskins 1, V. Griffin 2, R. J. Drewett (cond.) 3, F. E. Jones 4, L. Woodward 5, Miss L. Weaver 6. Rung as a tribute to the Rev. C. Cockell, formerly vicar of this parish, who was interred on the preceding Saturday.

**STOULTON, WORCS.**—At the Campanie on Aug. 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Arthur Berry 1, Arthur Jopp 2, Andrew Jopp 3, I. Lloyd 4, J. Clements (cond.) 5, George Morris 6. First quarter Bob Minor 3. A birthday compliment to Mrs. R. Morris, Ann Collett, and Andrew Jopp.

**STURMINSTER NEWTON, DORSET.**—On Sept. 1st, 1,260 St. Giles Doubles: Ruth A. Elmes 1, Judith A. Robertson 2, A. S. Harrison 3, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 4, G. W. Elmes 5, J. W. Blackwood 6. 100th quarter for 2 and 4. First in variation by all. For the Feast of St. Giles.

**WAREHAM, DORSET.**—On August 30th, 1,272 Kent Treble Bob Minor: C. T. Brown 1, Mary E. Elmes (first of Minor 'inside') 2, Judith A. Robertson 3, J. W. Blackwood 4, G. W. Elmes 5, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 6. First in the method by a local band. For Evensong.

**WENTWORTH, YORKS.**—On September 6th, 1,320 Doubles (8 methods): Elizabeth Cherry 1, A. King 2, M. King 3, M. A. Beaumont 4, M. R. Meadows (cond.) 5, M. A. Beaumont 6. For Evensong and a farewell quarter to Stephen Foster, a member of Wentworth band.

**WYKE REGIS, DORSET.**—On September 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Celia Abbott 1, F. Symonds 2, G. Abbott 3, F. Stedman 4, E. Amey 5, P. Herbert 6, J. Rose (cond.) 7, M. Harris (1st quarter) 8. To celebrate the 90th birthday of Mr. F. Stedman.

**YATTON, SOMERSET.**—On August 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. C. Porter 1, J. Brain 2, P. England (first 'inside') 3, A. E. Price 4, S. G. Smith 5, G. H. Pullin 6, H. A. Price (cond.) 7, J. K. Baker 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mr. H. B. Emery, organist at this church 1927-1961.



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### ENGAGEMENTS

**COOPER—FRITH.**—The engagement is announced between Christopher Kinghorn, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Cooper, of Benhall, Suffolk, and Edna Mary Frith, of Chelmsford, Essex. 5390

**TRIGG—HARRIS.**—The engagement is announced between Michael, only son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Trigg, of Hitchin, Herts, and Josephine, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Harris, of St. Ippolyts, Herts. 5347

### MARRIAGE

**PITT—GLADWELL.**—On September 12th, 1964, at St. Mary-the-Virgin, Essendon, Herts, Bernard Pitt, of Worcester, to Audrey Gladwell, of Essendon, Herts. 5391

### GOLDEN WEDDING

**BARNETT—RICHARDSON.**—On September 19th, 1914, at St. Paulinus' Church, Crayford, Kent, Edwin John Barnett to Minnie Richardson. Present address: 10, Kings Close, Crayford. 5353

### DEATH

**LEWIS, WILLIAM HENRY (BILL).**—Of 169, Oldbury Road, Worcester, dearly beloved husband of Florrie, and father of Thomas W., Jack and Phyllis, passed peacefully away on September 6th, 1964, in his 79th year. 1 5397

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

**COOPER.**—The (new) home address of C. K. Cooper is now Chalk House, Benball Low Street, nr. Saxmundham, Suffolk. 5222

**LEALE.**—The address of Robin and Gillian Leale is now 3, Windsor Court, Anlaby Road, Teddington, Middlesex. Telephone No. TEDdington Lock 5810. 5350

**MASON.**—The address of Arthur G. Mason is now 21, Firbank Avenue, Crofton Road Estate, Orpington, Kent, Phone Farnborough. 56525. 5375

**SEAMAN.**—From September 21st, the address of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Seaman will be 76, Chiltern Avenue, Bushey, Herts. Telephone Bushey Heath, 3062. 5367

### PERSONAL

**ROSS.**—Your prayers are asked for Frederick Ross, who is to be made Deacon by the Archbishop of York in York Minster on Sunday, September 20th, to serve in the parish of All Saints, Hessele. New address: 2, Richmond Road, Hessele, E. Yorkshire. 5360

Mr. W. ROGERS, who was posted 'gone away' by the G.P.O., was on Tom Lock's tour. His permanent address is still The Lodge, Mountains, Hildenborough, Tonbridge, Kent.

**PLEASE PRAY** for all ordinands and among them for Bruce Grainger to be made Deacon in Bradford Cathedral on September 20th at 10.30 a.m. Remember also his wife Rosemary. Their new address is: 30, Slenningford Rise, Crossflatts, Bingley, Yorks. 5368

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; fear before Him all the earth.—Psalm 96, verse 9.

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### PUBLICATIONS

**WASHINGTON DEDICATION.**—In view of the interest on both sides of the Atlantic in the dedication of Washington Cathedral bells there has been a reprint of the issue of June 12th, and also supplement. Usual price. With supplement 3d., please send postage.—'Ringing World', c/o Woodbridge Press Ltd., Guildford, Surrey.

### POSTPONED

The Guildford Diocesan Guild dinner arranged for October 3rd at the Stoke Hotel has been postponed until November 28th. It will then be held at the Newlands Corner Hotel.

### CANCELLED

**CHESTER GUILD.**—Stockport Branch.—The meeting at Hayfield on September 26th is cancelled on account of illness.—C. K. Lewis.

### MISCELLANEOUS

**CRANFORD, MIDDLESEX.**—No practice this Friday (18/9/64), otherwise as usual. Road approach from A312 still difficult after dark due to M4 works. That modern wonder, electric light, now installed in church. Come and SEE yourself ring sometime!—P. Woodgyer. 5348

**DURHAM UNIVERSITY.**—Ringers coming up either to the University or any of the Training Colleges are invited to contact the Secretary, Philip Darby, 101, Wood Lane, Bartley Green, Birmingham 32. 5358

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Farnham Dis.—Advanced practice at Worplesdon, on Thursday, September 24th, 7.30 to 9. 5399

**READING UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.**—Any new ringers coming up in October are invited to contact Mary Marshall, 70, Northfield Road, Thatcham, Newbury, Berks, and to attend the opening practice at St. Laurence's (12) on Friday, October 2nd, at 7.30 p.m.

**ROYAL ANTEILUVIAN ORDER OF BUFFALOES.**—The centenary of the GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND, the largest section of the Order, will be held in June, 1966. Brothers who are capable method ringers on eight or more bells and would like to take part in peal attempts during 1966 or before, are asked to write myself, a K.O.M. of 21 years standing, stating particulars of initiation, and a list of methods rung inside, to peals or quarters. Brothers of other sections of R.A.O.B. wishing to honour G.L.E. on this important occasion will not be ruled out, providing the necessary particulars are forthcoming.—William A. Stote, 47, Cedars Avenue, Coundon, Coventry. 5354

**UNIVERSITY OF KEELE.**—Ringers coming up as freshers next term are invited to contact P. W. Gay, Tudor Farm, East Harptree, Bristol. 5359

### MEETINGS

**ELY ASSOCIATION—Wisbech Branch.**—Meeting Newton Saturday, September 19th. Bells (6) 2.30 Service 4.30. Tea 5.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 5335

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.E. District.—Ringing meeting, Danbury, September 19th. No business. Bazaar for Danbury Eight-Bell Fund at 2.30 in Village Hall. Sandwiches and tea available until 4.30. Ringing from 3.30. Service 5. Handbells and coffee at Kewest 8.30 p.m. 5256

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Farnham District.—Meeting at Grayshott (8) on September 19th. Bells at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. G. A. Yarborough, Middle Watch, Portsmouth Road, Hindhead, Surrey.—D. P. Elsmore, Dis. Sec. 5343

**HAWKHURST & DISTRICT GUILD.**—Meeting at Leeds, Saturday, September 19th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Make your own arrangements for tea.—D. J. West, Hon. Sec. 5306

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans and Eastern District.—Joint meeting September 19th. St. Andrew's, Hertford. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Evening ringing 6.45-8.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. J. M. Kemp, 13, Nelson Street, Hertford.—M. A. Coburn W. Foote. 5333

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—Ringing meeting at St. Peter's, Ashton on September 19th (Eccles unavailable). Bells (8) 3 p.m. after wedding. Own arrangements for tea.—Neil Bennett, Sec. 5394

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—Central District.—Practice meeting at Cotton (8) on September 19th. Bells 6.30-9 p.m. 5262

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Division.—Quarterly meeting at Twineham (5) Saturday, September 19th. Bells 3.30 p.m., Tea 5 p.m. Special method: Carter's Principle. Names for tea, please, to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierpoint. 5297

**WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—Meeting at Alvechurch, Saturday, September 19th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., Tea and business. Names for tea to Mr. H. C. Kent, 35, Red Lion Street, Alvechurch, please.—Bernard C. Ashford, Sec. 5297

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—Quarterly meeting, Beverley St. Mary's (10), September 19th. Walkington (6) available 2 to 4.30 p.m. Buses leave Beverley for Walkington, 3 miles. 1.45, 2.20, 3.15 p.m. Buses leave Walkington for Beverley 4.30 p.m., 15 minute journey. Tea 5 p.m. at Cross Keys Hotel, Beverley. Names, please, to Mr. A. T. Taylor, 28, Albert Terrace, Beverley, E. Yorkshire. St. Mary's bells available after tea.—H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5311

**SAINT BARTHOLOMEW, CREWKERNE.**—Annual Tower Sunday, September 20th. Service 6.30. Preacher Rev. N. F. D. Coleridge. Ringing 5-6.30 p.m. and after service. All ringers welcome. 5312

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Luton District.—Evening meeting, Totternhoe, Saturday September 26th. Bells (8) from 5 p.m.

**CHESHIRE GUILD.**—Grappenhall Branch.—A meeting will be held at Warburton on Saturday, September 26th. Bells (8) 3 p.m., service 4.30, tea 5.0 p.m.—C. Raddon, Hon. Sec. 5387

**CHRISTCHURCH, HANTS.**—Ringing Festival, Saturday, September 26th. Programme.—Tour (private cars): meet Ringwood, 10.15 a.m. Bells (8) 10.30-11.30 a.m.; Wimborne St. Giles' (8) 12 noon-1.15 p.m. (Lunch, own arrangements.) Wimborne Minster (10), 2.30-3.30 p.m.; Bournemouth, St. Peter's (8), 4-5.30 p.m. Tea in Christchurch Church Hall, 6.15 p.m. (3s. each). Christchurch Priory bells (12), 7.30-9 p.m. Please notify A. V. Davis, 24, Stourcliffe Avenue, Southbourne, Bournemouth, for tea by Wednesday, September 23rd. 5275

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Derby District.—Meeting at Belper (8), Saturday, September 26th, 3 p.m. Names for tea by Friday, September 25th, to A. Morley, 2 Laund Close Belper. No name, no tea.—M. A. Willis, District Secretary. 5369

**DEVON GUILD.**—South West Branch.—Meeting at Galampton, near Kingsbridge, September 26th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Also available: Marlborough (6) 2.30-4 and South Milton 6-8 p.m. Names for tea, by 22nd, to G. J. L. Read, Home Park, Galampton, Kingsbridge, Devon.—T. G. Myers, Branch Sec. 5248

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Meeting at South Kirby, Saturday, September 26th, at 3 p.m. Cups of tea only. 5 p.m. 5372

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Meeting at Kelvedon, on Saturday, September 26th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Elliott, 28, Easterford Road, Kelvedon. 5298

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Stow-on-the-Wold Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Moreton-in-the-Marsh, Saturday, September 26th. Bells (8), from 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. or later if required Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Meeting 5.30 p.m. Names for tea by September 24th to Mr. G. R. Harper, High Street, Moreton-in-Marsh.—L. C. Dowdeswell, Secretary, Tel. Stow 350. 5363

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Rural Branch.—Joint meeting with the Wotton-under-Edge Branch on Saturday, September 26th, at Thornbury. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Names for tea to: T. J. Jeffries, 19, Blockhouse Road, Mangotsfield, Bristol. 5381

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—Quarterly meeting at Stoke-rect-Guildford on September 26th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. W. Savill, 82, Woking Road, Guildford. 5314



**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD** (North Lindsey Branch) and **LADIES' GUILD**.—Joint meeting, Winterton, Saturday, September 26th. Bells (6) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous, to H. Hall, West Street, Winterton.—C.A.H. 5323

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY**.—Next meeting, Idle, Saturday, September 26th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea for those who notify by previous Wednesday, Mr. Tom Hill, 5, Leyton Crescent, Idle, Bradford. 5379

**LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION**.—Llandaff Branch.—Quarterly meeting to be held at Pendoylan on Saturday, September 26th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea by September 20th to W. J. Goodfellow, 33, Brook Road, Fairwater, Cardiff. 5213

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—North Berks Branch.—Half yearly meeting at Aston Tirrold, September 26th. Service 3.30 p.m. Names for tea by 22nd.—C. Corderoy, West Wynds, Westbrook Street, Blewbury, Didcot.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Branch striking competition will be held on Saturday, September 26th, at Hambledon. General ringing in the evening. All welcome.—Miss Hague. 5258

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Towcester Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Cosgrove on Saturday, September 26th. Service at 3.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to: E. R. Lambert, 8, Manor Close, Cosgrove, nr. Wolverton.—W. A. Yates. 5365

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Northampton Branch.—Practice meeting at Walgrave, Saturday, September 26th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to B. E. Frost, 40, Foxgrove Avenue, Northampton. 5313

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Oundle Branch.—Meeting Nassington, September 26th. Bells 3, Service 4.15. Tea 5. Names for tea by 22nd inst. to Strangward, Station Road, Nassington, Peterborough. 5373

#### RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD AUTUMN MEETING

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1.30-2.30;

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St. Mary's (6), 3.15-4.15;

Return to Cambridge.

Tea at Dorothy's, 20, Sidney Street,  
followed by business meeting.

St. Andrew's (8), 6.30-7.30 p.m.  
J. Arthur Hoare, Hon. Sec. 5307

**RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD**—Signals are off, line clear: look out, Cambridge, here come the Railwaymen Ringers September 26th, St. Benedict's, 10 a.m.: St. Mary The Great, 11.15 a.m. Grand re-union, Everyone welcome. No closed shop So, let's be seing yer.—The Master. 5378

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**—Wimborne Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Cranford, September 26th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 Hampreston (6) from 7 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday 23rd to Miss J. Fawcett, 125, Merley Way, Wimborne. 5357

**SALISBURY GUILD**—Calne Branch.—Meeting Bremhill (6) September 26th. Usual arrangements. Names for tea please, W. Frayling, 9, Lodowicks, Bremhill, Calne.—W. Hacker. 5386

**SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—An evening meeting will be held at Cheswardine on Saturday, Sept. 26th. Bells (8) available 6.30 to 8.30 p.m.—E. Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec. 5383

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Final, Crawford Cup Contest—Saturday, Sept. 26th, Cuckney (6), draw 2.50 p.m.: ringing 3 p.m. sharp. Teas 4s. per head. Names by Tuesday, Sept. 22nd to Mr. H. T. Rooke, 9, York Terrace, Warsop. Definitely no names, no tea. Evening ringing for all.—D. J. Beach, Dis. Sec. 5352

**SUSSEX ASSOCIATION**—Eastern Division.

—Practice meeting at Chiddingly (6) on September 26th. Bells 3 p.m., service 4.30. tea 5. Names for tea, please, to Mr. I. Smith, 37, Wellington Gardens, Battle. 5384

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD**—Andover District.—Quarterly meeting St. Mary Bourne, September 26th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 for those who notify Mr. F. Rich, St. Mary Bourne. Longparish and Hurstbourne Priors after tea. 5351

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS**.—Forthcoming ringing practices all commencing 6.30 p.m. September 29th, St. Michael's, Cornhill; October 6th, St. Giles', Cripplegate; October 13th, St. Paul's Cathedral; October 20th, St. Michael's, Cornhill.—John Chilcott. 5370

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**GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS**—N.E. Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Silverton, on Saturday, October 3rd. Bells available from 5.45. Service 6.15 p.m. with business meeting after. 5362

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Ashford District.—Annual general meeting at Ashford, Saturday, October 3rd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Miss M. Jones, 30, Park Road, Ashford, by previous Wednesday. (Recordings of ringing at Washington Cathedral to be heard, by arrangement with Mr. H. Parks.)—C.T.H. 5366

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Tonbridge District.—Annual District meeting at Sevenoaks on Saturday, October 3rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Names for tea by Wednesday, September 30th, to Mr. W. H. Dobbie, 13, Baltic Road, Tonbridge.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**—Eastern Branch.—Meeting at Tattershall, Saturday, October 3rd Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Make own arrangements for tea.—P. J. Kilner, Hon. Sec., 167, Eastwood Road, Boston, Lincs. 5380

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**.—The autumn general meeting will be held at Winslow, Bucks, on Saturday, October 3rd. 2.30 p.m. Business meeting in the Winslow Public Hall 4.15 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Service in the Parish Church. Names for tea (3s. 3d. per head), together with remittance, should be sent before Monday, September 28th, to Miss D. J. Pollard, 49, Foxborough Road, Radley, Abingdon, Berks.—M. R. Cross, Hon. G'n. Sec. 5283

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**—Dorchester Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Wyke Regis on Saturday, October 3rd. Bells (8) 3 n.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea followed by meeting 5 p.m. Numbers for tea by Wednesday, September 30th to Mr. G. Abbott, 36, Williams Avenue Wyke Regis, Weymouth, Dorset.—R. H. Duke, Hon. Sec. 5374

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD OF RINGERS**.—Exeter Branch.—Meeting, Newton St. Cyres on Saturday, October 10th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea at Crown and Sceptre 4.45 p.m. Meeting following.—G. Skinner. 5301

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS**.—The 32th anniversary dinner will be held at the Bridge House Restaurant, London Bridge, S.E.1., on Saturday, October 31st,

at 6 for 6.30 p.m. Tickets (27/6) are now available and, since accommodation is limited, members are recommended to make early application therefore. — John Chilcott, Hon. Sec., 14, The Glebe, Hawley, nr. Camberley, Surrey. 5371

**OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY**.—All new members very welcome. October 11th St. Mary Magdalen 10 a.m., St. Ebbe 10.30 a.m. Business meeting Tuesday, October 13th, St. Peter's College, 8.15 p.m.—J. W. Thorp, St. John's, Sec. 5315

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**ESSEX ASSOCIATION**.—The eleventh annual dinner will be held in the Saracens Head Hotel, Chelmsford, on Saturday, October 31st, 6.15 for 6.45 p.m. Tickets (limited number only) 17s. 6d., obtainable from: P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury, S.A.E. please not later than Saturday, October 24th.

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#### LATE NOTICES

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Hunts District.—Meeting at Gamlingay, Saturday, September 26th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. All visitors will be very welcome.—Michael J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 5392

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Bishop's Stortford District.—Meeting at Thorley on Saturday, September 26th. Bells 3 p.m., Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. followed by meeting. Names for tea to T. Camp, Sparrow's Nest, Thorley, Bishop's Stortford. The practice meeting at Braughing on the 26th is cancelled.—D. Kingston. 5388

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Bolton Branch.—Meeting at St. Peter's, Halliwell, Saturday, September 26th. Bells 2.30 p.m. afternoon only. Tea at 5 p.m. No business. All Souls' bells at 6 p.m. Free tea if names are sent to John F. Wood, 20, Moorside Avenue, Halliwell, Bolton.—Thornley, Sec. 5393

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Fylde Branch.—Meeting at St. Anne's Parish Church, St. Annes, on Saturday, September 26th. Bells (8) at 3 p.m.—Harry R. Preston, Hon. Sec. 5398

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**KINGSTON-UPON-THAMES, SURREY.**—On September 6th, at All Saints', 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: D. Wilkins 1, R. Cooles 2, Deborah Hopkins 3, M. Bangham 4, P. Brand 5, A. Bagworth 6, R. Harris 7, A. Bishop (cond.) 8.

**LONG BREDDY, DORSET.**—On September 5th, 1,260 April Day Doubles: R. G. W. Robertson 1, Mary E. Elmes 2, Ruth A. Elmes 3, Judith A. Robertson 4, G. W. Elmes (cond.) 5. First in the variation 2, 3 and 5.

**LUTON, BEDS.**—On Sunday, August 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: K. Lewin 1, B. L. S. Hulatt 2, J. Herbert 3, A. J. Smith 4, J. G. Newman 5, H. Wood 6, A. E. Rushton (cond.) 7, H. R. G. Mann 8. In memoriam L. A. Goodenough, tower captain for 45 years.

**MARRIAGE OF MR. J. BERRY**

Mr. Jack Berry, the well-known tower captain of Wallingford, Berks, and Miss Pat Best were married on August 29th. Jack is well-known in the North Berks area of the Oxford Guild, and Pat's father was formerly a ringer at Wallingford and is now organist at St. Leonard's, Wallingford.

Wallingford ringers were unable to ring for the happy couple, as Wallingford bells are at present silent, owing to extensive structural repairs. All join in wishing the happy couple their sincere good wishes.

**LATE NEWS**

Congratulations to the Ladies' Guild who rang their first peal of Cinques—Stedman—at Leicester Cathedral on Saturday. Miss Joan Berrisford conducted.

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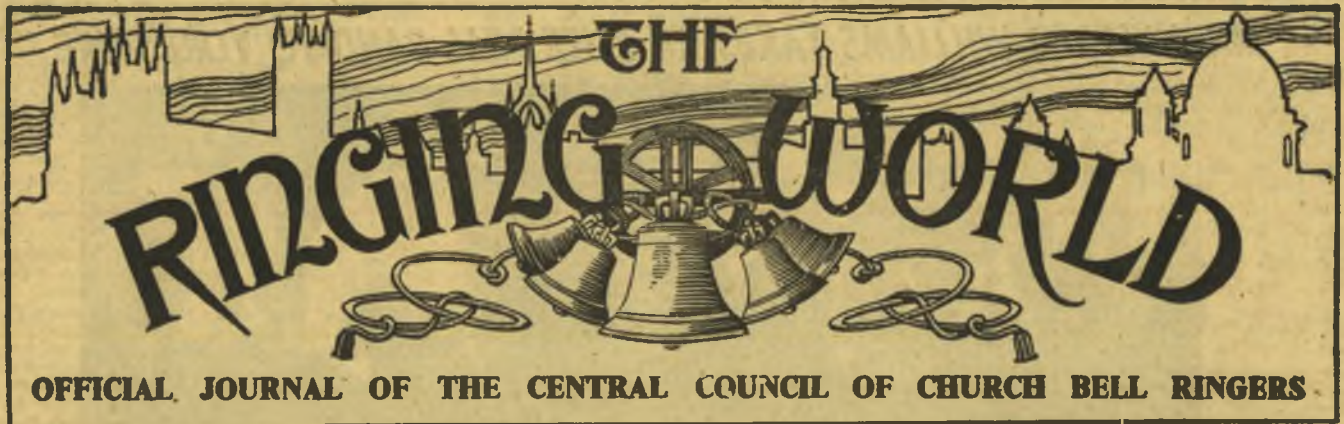
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## SOME WISDOM AMID ABSURDITIES

By The Rev. J. G. M. SCOTT

THE disease of pontificating on matters about which they knew little was an occupational one to many Victorian clergymen, and the Rev. H. R. Haweis was no exception. We can smile often at his absurd remarks about 'rusty' bells and 'rivets' in timber frames, and at his apparently complete ignorance even of the very existence of the art of change-ringing.

But isn't it all the more remarkable that at the same time Mr. Haweis happened on some facts which were then little thought of by far more knowledgeable men, and which still need all the emphasis we can give them? And has not Mr. Fidler done Haweis an injustice and the Exercise a disservice by laughing at Mr. Haweis whether he was right or wrong?

Mr. Fidler supposes that the bells described by Haweis had no gudgeons or bearings, because the belfry was hardly ever visited. But some of us are finding nowadays that when bells have been fitted with ball-bearings which need attention only once in ten years or so, the other little jobs that used to get done when the plain bearings were oiled don't even get noticed.

'The better the ascent, the more chance there is of the belfry being visited and cared for,' says Mr. Haweis. And Mr. Fidler uses this remark as a basis for one of his little jokes; has he, with his huge experience of belfries, never noticed how true this statement is? Has he never marvelled at P.C.C.'s which expect one of their churchpeople, often out of the goodness of his heart, to look after their bells, and expect him to risk his neck and ruin his clothes every time he does it? Has he never stood at the bottom of a crooked, wormy ladder and known that it's ten to one that the bells at the top haven't been properly looked after? Three rousing cheers for Mr. Haweis, say I, and if Mr. Fidler had abated his determination to be funny at all costs I know he'd say it too.

The very idea of calling anybody a "bell stoker" is ridiculous, of course. But has Mr. Fidler never been filled with helpless rage to find a belfry which he left ten years before 'like a fine engine room in a first-class factory' looking like a corner of the municipal dump? And can't he give Haweis the credit for some wisdom in spite of all

his ignorance, when he urges regular painting? It was nothing like so grave a problem in 1871; but now iron and steel frames and gear which cost thousands of pounds to install are rotting away because people still won't heed Mr. Haweis's warning.

Again, when Haweis wrote his article, there was a very strong body of opinion among architects, clergymen and others that most of the damage to masonry in towers was caused by 'vibration' from the actual sound of the bells. This idea is still not dead; people still believe that timber frames are better than wood because they 'don't carry the vibrations to the stonework like metal does.' When Haweis speaks of the Prussian guns not damaging Strasbourg Cathedral it is the **sound** that he is talking about: the impact and blast of bombs is quite beside the point. When he speaks of 'injury to house-property' — not 'damage': that is Mr. Fidler's word — he means the lowering of value, not structural damage; this issue, too, is not by any means dead. And he is ahead of his time when he tells us that towers are 'rocked down by the friction of coarse machinery'; although 'friction' is not quite the word we'd use today, the fact remains that many towers in his day were being rocked down by loose or badly-designed frames, and many are still undergoing the process every Sunday in 1964.

By all means let's laugh at Mr. Haweis's silly mistakes and at the way he lays down the law with so very little knowledge at his command; but do let's do him justice too; some of the lessons he taught are still taking an awful lot of learning.

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## MR. WILFRED WILLIAMS TAKES AN ELITE PEAL BAND TO YORKSHIRE



NEARLY 20 people's names appear in the peal reports, and on an average there were 14 of us on tour. The menu provided us with 15 peal attempts, 11 of which proved successful, and with a good selection of Yorkshire's wonderful treasury of churches and bells, not to mention other welcome commodities. A well-known film was being shown at a cinema in Bradford, and that gave us an idea for this year. It was to be 'a hard day's night' (eight times repeated).

The first night was spent at the Midland, Leicester. On the Saturday morning, being unable to ring at St. John's, Leicester, we started off with a peal of London Royal at the Loughborough Foundry. This year we had six tens on the list, and lovely ones, too. Three peals of London Royal were scored into the bargain. We had some lovely eights as well. The first was at Bottesford, Leics, where we rang Yorkshire. This church has a chancel which might well be mistaken for a mausoleum.

There were two chaplains in attendance throughout the tour. Clearly someone felt they were needed. Confidentially, they needed chaplains themselves, but this was hardly a 'retreat'.

That night we found our way to the Northgate Hotel, Bradford. Locals tried to misdirect us! One man was standing in the North Gate but didn't know where the North Gate was. I wonder if he knew where the nearest Bass house was. It was not long before we located a nice large red triangle. A good sign!

On Sunday morning those of us who went to the 8 a.m. Holy Communion at Bradford Cathedral were treated to a sermon. All of us then descended on Mr. Barton and his ringers, who kindly allowed us to ring their bells for the 10.30 service at Pudsey. Back at Bradford, we took full advantage of the week-end emptiness of the city by ringing a peal of Yorkshire Royal at the Cathedral. Our thanks are due to Gillian Schofield and her father for their hospitality on this and other occasions.

Monday mornings are Monday mornings. The writer nearly missed his breakfast. Nevertheless we made our way up to Heptonstall through the Yorkshire mist and rain and while some of us admired the church eight trusty men tapped out London for one of the best peals of the week. Here they have been spending a £30,000 legacy on modernising the interior of the church. It is a striking example of how well modern furnishings designed according to modern liturgical principles can fit into an older church. And the Rector's wife kindly treated us to coffee.

The party outside Fylingdales Church, Robin Hood's Bay (left to right): David Llewellyn, Bill Theobald, Giles Galley, Tudor Edwards, John Eisel, Roger Fry, Kenneth Hesketh, Wilfred Williams, Arthur Reed, John Nelson, Ralph Edwards, Philip Mehew.

### PROVOKING FATE

We can recommend the 'Queen' at Huddersfield for a good lunch. We can also recommend Marsden bells. Marsden, however, was the scene of the week's tragedy. On Monday afternoon we settled down to Pudsey Royal, and after 3½ hours we had rung some 4,920 changes, with three leads to go. Then, wham!—and the writer stared speechlessly at a pile of rope in front of him. The moral seems to be this. Never make irreverent remarks about your Yorkshire tail-end before starting for a peal. It only provokes fate!

There's plenty of rhubarb in this part of Yorkshire. Ralph told us that they sell it in France in exchange for champagne. We passed several fields of rhubarb on the way to Liversedge on Tuesday. Here we rang Lincolnshire on a pleasant old eight. The reverend back-enders nearly insisted on making the rest of the band subscribe to the Clerical Guild, ringing the peal for them. Meanwhile the rest of the party went to Thornhill (6) with Mr. Fred Hodgson.

After a good lunch at Cleckheaton, we said goodbye to Stan Mason and went on to Ossett to ring the second peal of London Royal of the tour on the grand 10 there. Three of us went on to Leeds for a meal in the company of Mrs. Ella Edwards. As if we couldn't have enough of good Taylor bells, we went to Rothwell to join the local band at practice. The bells are a beautiful eight, recast 13 years ago. Mr. Tom Strangeways and his band invited us to join in, and we rang in two courses of the most beautifully-struck Double Norwich Major that one could wish to hear.

On Wednesday morning the method at Batley was Glasgow, but this was abandoned after a course or so. Spliced proved equally difficult for some unknown reason. At a half-lead in London, Wilfred was surprised to see Peter making sevenths under him, while Ralph obliged by making 'sixths'. If you ever visit this tower, read 'The Requiem of the late Three Bells of Batley Church,' inscribed on the tower wall. Here is the last verse:

'And now our changes all are rung,  
Here ends our dying song;  
Our last! our final peal is done,  
Farewell! Farewell! Ding Dong.'  
Suitable thoughts for the end of a peal tour?

But we had not finished our tour by any means. On to Doncaster for a peal of London Major on the modern 30cwt. eight.

### THE DREAM PICTURE

We stayed that night at the Beverley Arms, Beverley, where the landlord went off to bed leaving us with a bucket of beer on a 'sale or return basis.' (We did both!) Wilfred fell asleep in the lounge and, unbeknown to him, was photographed with the bucket on the table in front of him, surrounded libellously by empty glasses, with a picture of Beverley Minster above him: (the subject of his dreams?). a large chrysanthemum in his buttonhole and a giant model poodle in his arms. All had been cleared away again before he awoke.

Thursday dawned, and we were all getting teed up for the big job of the week. But first a visit to Hedon, a fine, large church with a splendid organ which Roger proceeded to put through its paces, while the band upstairs joined in Anglican chants while raising the bells in peal. A peal of Bristol was successfully rung on the fine eight here, and then we really got down to business. Beverley Minster is probably as fine a church as England possesses, and the bells are in keeping. In the South Tower hangs 'Great John,' all seven tons of him, while in the North Tower hangs the famous ring of ten with a tenor of 41½ cwt. We settled down to a good peal of Pudsey Royal, which we felt was the climax of the week. Wilfred's dreams of the night before were fulfilled.

### RESIDENTS REASONABLE

We then transferred our headquarters to the Windmill Hotel, York, and on Friday morning rang another peal of Bristol at Norton, just outside Malton. The bells are loud outside, and there were some local residents outside, afterwards who felt that three hours was too much. However, they were quite reasonable and we venture to express the hope that some well-wisher will do something to reduce the volume of sound here, as has been done so well in many towers.

At Bridlington Priory, a fiasco developed similar to the one at Batley. Some of these bells are 'benders,' so perhaps 35 minutes was enough. That evening Mr. Harold Walker and some of his band welcomed us to York Minster, where we rang touches of Stedman Cinques and a half-course of Cambridge Maximus, which made a good finish to the day's ringing.

By now the weather had shown marked improvement, which made our journey all the more pleasant on Saturday morning when we went up to Robin Hood's Bay, passing on the

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## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE LADIES' GUILD

The Ladies' Guild made history on September 12th by ringing a peal of Stedman Cinques at Leicester Cathedral. This was the first 12-bell peal for the Guild: there was an unsuccessful attempt at Cardiff Central Council meeting in 1962 at St. Woolos' Cathedral, Newport.

The Guild president (Mrs. Olive Barnett) was represented by her daughter, Mrs. Jean Woolford. It is interesting to note that Jean's grandmother, Mrs. F. I. Hairs, rang in the first 10-bell peal by the ladies—Stedman Caters at St. Clement Danes' on January 20th, 1926. Participating in that peal was Mrs. Emma Deal, who scored the double event by ringing again on this occasion. As a grandmother her performance is particularly meritorious.

The Guild treasurer, Miss J. Beresford, who this year rang her 500th peal, conducted, and the Guild secretary, Miss D. Colgate, rang the tenor. There were three District secretaries participating—Miss Sheila Dobbie (Kent), Miss S. Chesterton (Maldstone) and Mrs. J. S. King (South Wales)—and a past president, Mrs. Jill Staniforth.

## THE LADIES' GUILD

A quarterly meeting of the Western District was held at Compton Martin on September 12th. A warm and sunny day emphasised the attractive setting of this Somerset village, and the welcome afforded to the members was no less warm. Ringing in the afternoon included a ladies' touch of Stedman Doubles.

The service was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. R. N. Bathgate, who gave an interesting address. This was followed by an excellent tea in the Church Hall, prepared by local ladies. After the customary vote of thanks by the vice-president, Mrs. Parfrey, a short business meeting was held. Practice meetings are to be held at Yatton on October 20th, and Farmborough on November 16th, and the next quarterly meeting is at Beckington on December 12th. Miss J. Battin (Corston) and Mrs. D. Weeks (Warmley) were re-elected members.

Further ringing with the gentlemen embraced a wide variety of methods. M. de J.

**WILFRED WILLIAMS' TOUR**—continued  
way the Early Warning station at Fylingdales, which presents a strange sight in the middle of the moors.

Fylingdales Church possesses a light ring of eight: bells are noisy inside. Having dined Superlative into our brains for two-and-a-half-hours we finally succumbed to the last-but-one course, when a major trip occurred. A pity. In spite of the noise the ringing had its moments.

We drew the conclusion that it is fatal to have two Edwardses in any peal attempt. Both were in all four failures. But they redeemed themselves in the afternoon at Whitby, when the tour ended with a good peal of London Royal.

We have left till last the celebration of Wilfred's birthday. On Friday night we presented him with a travelling bag containing the famous photograph of himself, suitably signed by the band. And this seems the right point in our story to express our thanks to our organiser for what seemed to us to have been the best tour yet. Thank you, Wilfred. And thank you, too, all the clergy, ringers, hoteliers and others who gave us such a warm welcome to Yorkshire.

Sunday took us our various ways, after ringing at Tadcaster in the morning. 'A hard day's night' was over. But it will not be the last one!

G. C. G./R. O. F.

For Peals see page 621

## REV. R. O. FRY—A RECTOR

His many friends in the Bath and Wells Diocese, where he was a former general secretary of the Diocesan Association, will congratulate the Rev. Roger O. Fry on his appointment as Rector of Portishead with Clapton-in-Gordano and curate-in-charge of Weston-in-Gordano.

Roger was ordained a deacon in 1958 and served his title at Yeovil. He was senior curate at Portishead. His institution by the Lord Bishop of Bath and Wells took place last Tuesday.

## JAM JARS AND OLD IRON PAID FOR RESTORATION

The peal rung at Bishampton, Worcs. as a farewell tribute to the retiring Vicar, the Rev. Thomas Wilkinson, on September 4th, recalls how he tackled the raising of over £1,000 for the restoration of the tower and bells.

Shortly after his appointment in 1932 he launched an appeal for the money by saving old jam jars, old iron and rags. Ringers from all over the country supported his efforts. It was a proud moment for him in November, 1937, when the Bishop of Worcester performed the act of rededication of these bells, which date from 1690.

After the peal Mr. Ralph Perks and Mr. Andrew Jopp thanked the Vicar for his loyal help during the 32 years of his incumbency, and wished him and his wife every happiness for the future in their retirement at Fladbury.

## A WEYMOUTH VETERAN

Mr. F. Stedman, whose 90th birthday was commemorated by a quarter peal at Wyke Regis (see page 641), was born at Dewchurch, Herefordshire, and started ringing at the age of 14. His early ringing was at Hereford and Monmouth, later moving to Swansea, where he was well known in peal-ringing circles.

He came to Weymouth in 1925 and joined the Wyke Regis tower. Since 1947 he has been tower captain. Despite his age, he is in his place every Sunday morning and evening and seldom misses a practice.

## BROMLEY RINGER A BRIDE

The marriage took place on September 5th at the Church of St. Luke, Bromley Common, of Miss Rosemary M. Jenkins, a well-known ringer from the Lewisham District of the Kent County Association, and Mr. Brian D. Lanaway. Rosemary has for some years been a member of Bromley Common band, and has also been of great assistance to the band of Bromley Parish Church.

The bride wore a dress of silk brocade, with a long veil and coronet of orange blossom. She was attended by her two sisters and the bridegroom's sister, who wore pale blue, and by her niece, who was dressed in pink. Appropriately the theme of the address was the bells and their similarity to marriage.

The bells were rung before and after the ceremony by members of her own band and by friends from the Lewisham District, and the following day a quarter peal of Plain Bob Minor was rung at Bromley Parish Church to mark the occasion by F. Gates 1, Sheila Copping (cond.) 2, Maria E. Kirby 3, P. J. Spice 4, R. T. Newman 5, M. G. Foster 6.

## TURVEY SURPRISE MAJOR (Correction)

34.58.36, 14, 56.12.58, 36, 12.34.12, 58, 14.56.14, 78.

## WASHINGTON CATHEDRAL NEWS

During the summer a number of us from Washington have come into contact with several ringers, and have learned just a bit of what a close and wonderful group make up the ringing world. Mr. Wayne Dirksen, visiting England with his wife for a few days this summer, was honoured to stand in with the band at St. Michael's, Cornhill, for a few rounds, and to visit with John Chilcott and his wife for the afternoon. The Dirksens later spent an evening with George Pipe and his wife in Ipswich.

One of our boys, Howard Vickery, has been bicycling through England this summer and I am sure that he has met a number of ringers.

Four ringers travelling through the United States stopped to visit our tower. They were: Mr. E. Clarke Walters (Staffordshire), Mr. Downey (Birmingham), Mr. Eugene Bray (Suffolk) and Mr. Moredant (Oxford). Each came on a day when there was some ringing and offered many valuable comments on our ringing, for which we are most grateful.

We are now eagerly looking forward to the arrival of Mr. Fred Price, of Bournemouth, who is coming next month to instruct our band. He plans to be with us until February, and we are certain that he will prove of the greatest assistance to us.

RICHARD DIRKSEN.

## WORCESTER AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

### Western Branch

On September 12th the Western Branch paid its first visit to Shrawley for a meeting. St. Mary's Church is a typical Worcestershire village church, its 12th century walls built of the local red sandstone. The tower contains a ring of six bells cast by members of the Rudhall family. The bells hang in plain bearings on the old wooden frame and are not an easy ring; however, some good ringing was heard including London Surprise.

About 40 ringers took their places in the 18th century box pews for the service, 10 others robing with the local choir. At this, his first experience of a ringers' meeting, the Rector told us of the pleasure he felt whenever he heard the Shrawley bells, this being his first church blessed with a ring.

Tea, followed by a meeting, was held in the Village Hall, and before the business began, Mr. R. G. Morris referred to the work of the late Bill Lewis, of St. John's, Worcester. While he was captain at St. John's all ringers were sure of a warm welcome from him. A fine ringer himself, he was always ready with a word of encouragement for a young learner. The meeting stood in silence in memory of a well-loved friend.

Several new members were elected, including the captain and members of the Shrawley team. A vote of thanks was proposed to the Branch secretary, Mr. A. Jopp (including his wife and three under secretaries) for all the work they had done for the Branch, and also to Mr. Westwood, the local captain, for organising the meeting.

Ombersley's fine-toned six were rung in the evening. P. C.

## POULARD BELL ROPES

Owing to a big rebuilding scheme in Bristol affecting their works, Messrs. Joseph Bryant, Ltd., have decided to discontinue the manufacture of Poulard bell ropes.

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# Letters to the Editor

## To the Four

Dear Sir,—Please permit me to offer congratulations to the four who rang Pritchard's Bob Major.

We in Bures have given very careful thought to this peal and we all regard this as the very highest achievement: it cannot in any way be compared with double-handed handbells.

Some of us witnessed Bill Simmonds ring a pair of tower bells at Coker to Stedman Triples and the conductor called the most difficult touch possible for these two but could not catch him out so what about Royal to add a bar to their deserved medals!

I wonder if Tony scowled if by any chance the seventh failed to tuck in at backstroke?—Yours sincerely,

LESLIE D. MILLS.

Bures, Suffolk.

## The 1,000th Peal

Dear Sir,—It happened that on August 26th I picnicked with my family about a mile from Pilton Church. We were treated while we were there to some of the best Double Norwich I've heard in a long while, rung on an eight which are by no means 'boys' bells,' on a sweltering hot day.

It was a great pleasure to hear later that this was Pat Cannon's 1,000th peal: it was really worthy of the occasion, a milestone in the career of one who has perhaps had more fun poked at him than anyone else in the Exercise, some of it having been contributed by Yours truly.

JOHN G. M. SCOTT.

Clawton Vicarage, Holsworthy, Devon.

## Rudeness—a Protest

Dear Sir,—I am very surprised to see the remark by Mr. G. B. Thompson in your issue of September 11th about Hunslet Bob Major. While he may be justified in questioning the notation, his comment on the method itself is quite uncalled for and ought not to have been made. Even if he disapproves of a Reverse Canterbury type of method, which is what Hunslet is, he could say so without being rude.—Yours sincerely,

WILFRID F. MORETON,

Hon. Gen. Sec.,  
Yorkshire Association.

## Quedgeley Surprise Major

Dear Sir,—The composition of Quedgeley Surprise Major on page 619 of 'The Ringing World' is the reverse of the one by Derek Ogden on page 814 (December 6th, 1963), with the shunt bob moved. It is also true to F.C.H.'s 65432 and 53624, irrespective of incidence.—Yours sincerely,

NORMAN SMITH.

Burnley.

## Peal at Thorncombe

Dear Sir,—None will dispute that our county boundary gets a bit twisty down in the Chard area, but if our friends down there claim Thorncombe is in Somerset many more times (first a quarter peal and now a peal) we shall have to assume they have successfully annexed it from Dorset.

If they aren't careful we shall bend the boundary a fraction more and pinch Sherborne: we've had our eye on the heaviest eight to go with Queen Camel and Wells Cathedral for a long time!—Yours sincerely,

JOHN BRAIN.

Backwell, Somerset.

## More Doubles Queries Answered

Dear Sir,—The method X rung to a peal at Lowdham (page 569) is St. Helen. This method is known also as St. Ippolyts, St. Ann, St. Francis, Piddington and others too numerous to mention.

In the following peals methods have been incorrectly named:

1. Walton-le-Wolds (page 569): Shropham should be called Somerville; Mileham should be called Magdalen; St. Andrew should be called Lapley. (It is doubtful if the St. Andrew in the C.C. Collection was rung.) Norwich should be called Nuffield; Walsingham should be called Wadham.

2. South Newington (page 605): Shropham should be called Somerville; Mileham should be called Magdalen; Norwich should be called Nuffield; Walsingham should be called Wadham; Besthorpe should be called Hudibras; Costessey should be called Campion; St. Andrew should be called Lapley.

3. The Bell Foundry (pages 519 and 594): Shropham, Mileham, Norwich, Walsingham, Besthorpe and Costessey are incorrect (see above).

4. Newtown Lindford (pages 519 and 594): St. Andrew is incorrectly named (see above). I would be obliged if the conductor of the peals at Newtown and the Bell Foundry would inform me as to the 'composition' of Newington, a variation rung in these peals (Newington being another name for Rushall and Newborough as well as being the names of two other variations). Also I would be pleased to learn the 'compositions' of Zennor and Minster rung in the peal at the Bell Foundry. (I assume they are of the New Bob. Huntspell, St. Vedast group, but I have four variations bearing these names.)

The variation, Grandsire—Grandsire Bob with 5th 4th—5th—Antelope Single, called by me St. Gregory (page 597) should be called St. Anne. Other names include Lavender, Minster, St. Benedict and St. Raglan.

The majority of the following methods were rung to peals at Newtown and the Bell Foundry. Many ringers have asked what they were and it is hoped that the table below meets with their approval:

Method	Plain Course	Bob
St. Felix	St. Osmund	All Saints P.L.
(Also known as St. Stephen)		
St. Cleer	St. Remigius	All Saints P.L.
(Also known as St. Ann, St. Lawrence)		
St. Florence	St. Osmund	St. Blaise Single
(Also known as St. Saviour, St. Ignatius)		
Hollywood	St. Nicholas	St. Blaise Single
Bray	St. Simon	St. Blaise Single
Limerick	Plain Bob	St. Blaise Single
St. Modwen	New Bob	Plain Bob P.L.
Winhill	New Bob	Rev. Cant. P.L.
St. Dominica	St. Remigius	Old Bob Doubles S
(Single H.L. of Original. Also known as St. Basil, Swallowfield)		
Holt	St. Remigius	St. Blaise Single
Forde	Winchendon	St. Blaise Single
Waterford	St. Martin	St. Blaise Single
Wexford	Rev. Cant.	St. Blaise Single
Fairfield	Huntspill	Plain Bob P.L.
Carlton	Huntspill	Rev. Cant. P.L.
Sedgefield	St. Vedast	Old Doubles Single
Eling	St. Vedast	Plain Bob P.L.
(Also known as Minster, St. Britius)		
Lenton	St. Vedast	Rev. Cant P.L.
(Also known as Zennor, St. Aldhelm)		

## Multi-method Peals

Dear Sir,—Re G. S. G. Joyce's letter (page 560), our Sunday service band at Sapcote have rung the following:

21	Spiced Minor	22-12-62;
24	"	16-2-63;
30	"	26-3-63;
34	"	15-2-64.

All rung at Sapcote.—Yours, etc.,

MICHAEL E. BROWN.

## Law of Nuisance

Dear Sir.—I was interested to read Mr. Michael R. Meadows' article on the law of nuisance as applied to church bells. However, I feel that he omits some points which should be mentioned.

Private nuisance is a Common Law tort, that is to say, a civil matter, of which the Criminal Law takes no notice. Mr. Meadows tells us who can sue whom but fails to mention what the purpose of such an action is. Normally, the plaintiff seeks an injunction to restrain the further commission of the nuisance. It may be that he also seeks damages for the harm suffered by him in the enjoyment of his property. Naturally an action for damages is unlikely to be brought by someone who has merely missed his Sunday afternoon nap, but an hotel, for instance, whose business suffered as a result of ringing might well require compensation.

Mr. Meadows further omits to tell us that not only the ringers would be liable in an action for public nuisance: the incumbent is responsible for seeing that no nuisance arises on his premises and could be sued in any action for a nuisance caused by ringing, unless a hand rang without his knowledge or permission.

'Clearly some noises will never constitute a nuisance,' says Mr. Meadows. I doubt the accuracy of this and, incidentally, of the Central Council's Legal Report, published in the C.C. Handbook, which states that there is 'no reported case in which an injunction has been granted to restrain the ringing of bells of a parish church.' Any noise is capable of interfering with people's enjoyment of their property, even Sunday service ringing. The Australian case of Haddon v. Lynch [1911] V.L.R. 230, is an example of the granting of an injunction to stop service ringing in the mornings before 9 a.m. There are also several American cases.

It may be that in England there is a difference between Church of England churches and others in the matter of ringing bells. The Book of Common Prayer orders the tolling of a bell before divine service, and it may be this gives quasi-statutory protection against actions for nuisance. Whether this rubric covers half-an-hour's ringing on eight bells is another matter, however. I can find no authority on this point.

Finally, Mr. Meadows draws no distinction between public and private nuisance. The latter is a criminal offence defined by Lord Justice Denning (as he then was) as follows:

'A public nuisance is a nuisance which is so widespread in its range, or so indiscriminate in its effects, that it would not be reasonable to expect one person to take proceedings on his own responsibility to put a stop to it, but that it should be taken on the responsibility of the community at large.'

The offence covers such diversities as brothel-keeping, obstructing the public highway, discharging oil into public rivers, etc. While 'The Ringing World' is no place for legal technicalities, it should be mentioned that the C.C. Legal Report bases its comments on public nuisance on a case which is largely discredited on this point, *Solton v De Held* (2 Sim. N.S. 133) (the reference in the report is wrong). This case is certainly an authority for the proposition that there is no such thing as equitable nuisance, but on the facts the Vice-Chancellor's argument is largely invalid. Ringing, he says, must annoy some people but not everybody, therefore cannot be a public nuisance. With respect, there is no requirement that the entire population of an area must be annoyed. The odours emanating from a perfume factory have been held to be a public nuisance, and there is no difference in principle between this and the noise of church bells. If a public nuisance is found to exist, anyone specially aggrieved has a separate action in tort for damages.

Despite the possibilities of legal action which exist, I must agree with the C.C. report that it is unlikely, so long as ringing is kept to a reasonable level. However, I think it does no harm for ringers to be aware that a lawsuit is by no means impossible, and that they should do everything possible to avoid annoying others.—Yours faithfully,

Amersham, Bucks.

JOHN CAMP.



## LETTERS—Continued

*A Memory of J. W. Washbrook*

Dear Sir,—The account of the double handed tower bell peal of Bob Major at Balcombe on page 615 has revived a happy memory of J. W. Washbrook many years ago.

In 1910 the Great Western Railway advertised an excursion to Ireland leaving Paddington on Friday evening returning on Sunday morning giving 14 hours there and including optional visits of about four hours to Arklow, Wicklow and the Vale of Ovrea.

I saw in this the opportunity to achieve something I had long wanted to do, viz., to meet Mr. Washbrook, and went. When I called on him he made me very welcome, and invited me to have a ring, sending the youngest of his three gifted sons to round up two locals.

We met seven at the tower and rang a touch of Grandsire Triples, Mr. Washbrook ringing 3 and 4 after which, at my request, we rang a touch of Bob Major with him ringing 7 and 8.

I was amazed at the accuracy of his striking but I was more amazed when I realised he had been turning the 22cwt. tenor in with his **left hand**, which in most people is the weaker.

In these days of dear railway fares it is interesting to recall how much my trip cost—it was 17/6 return from London!—Yours sincerely,

E. BARNETT.

10 King's Close. Crayford.

*A Litany*

Dear Sir,

From Leaping and Skipping,  
And other 'Whitaker Whims,'  
Good Lord deliver us.

BABBACOMBE BILL.

## OUTING

## WOOTTON WAWEN

There were more than the usual number of misfortunes when Wootton Wawen. Worcs, and their friends had their outing into Gloucestershire and Wiltshire on August 22nd. At the first tower, Avening, Glos, a rope broke when the bells were caught in Queen's at the end, there was trouble with springy ropes at Chipping Sodbury and after lunch on the ground floor ring at Hilmarton the fourth rope parted as we were ringing-up. During the rope splicing, handbells were borrowed and the Grandsire Triples sounded very nice.

Many of our ringers were not used to the slower pace of the heavy ring at Purton, where the Vicar is a ringer. Finally at Clanchfield, Oxon, we were really past the effort of eight bell ringing. The best ringing of the day was at Wickwar in the morning. A duck supper was organised by Miss H. Arrowsmith at Chipping Norton. Those thanked included Tom, the driver, Mr. D. Baker, the organiser, and all who helped to make the day a success. J.R.

## MR. JACK C. M. PAICE

It was with deep regret that I heard of the recent death of my friend Jack Paice, at the age of 67. Although he did learn to handle a rope when he was young, he was not a ringer, yet his whole life was devoted to bells.

Mr. Paice gained great distinction by being one of the very few Englishmen to obtain a diploma in carillon playing. After studying on the Continent under Meester Jef. Denyn, he was awarded the Diploma of Carillon Playing of the Belgian National Carillon School at Malines in 1933. He was employed for a number of years by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. When the Croydon foundry closed he went to work for Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

During his time at Croydon Mr. Paice gave the trial recital on most of the new carillons destined to be sent overseas, and spent many holidays in Holland and Belgium playing the great Continental carillons. I remember one memorable evening some years ago when both he and Mr. Clifford Ball, the Bournville carillonneur, played the new Aberdeen carillon which had been erected in the Croydon foundry.

Jack Paice always regretted the fact that there was not a large carillon in the London area. However, he managed to keep in practice and gave recitals on the Bond Street carillon, playing carols each Christmas, and for several years he gave recitals on the chime at All Hallows', Barking-by-the-Tower. There can be few chimes of bells which Jack Paice had not played at one time or another. He developed an amazing ability to play intricate, close harmonies on a very small range of bells, which he could make sound like a full carillon. As the compass of each chime often varied considerably, this frequently involved hours of work at his dulcitone arranging the music for each separate recital. One of his most recent public appearances was at the inauguration of the chime of 12 bells at the dedication of the new Holy Trinity Church, Hounslow, last year.

Over the last few years he became increasingly lame, but such was his enthusiasm that this did not deter him: he would often arrive at a tower an hour before he was due to give a recital in order to make the ascent. He possessed several octaves of bells, mounted on a frame, which he played with felt-covered sticks, and he was in great demand each Christmas giving recitals on these for various charities.

## A DEVON DAY

Despite a wet morning and holiday traffic at its worst on the homeward journey, the outing on August 15th arranged by Mr. A. L. Bennett for Devon ringers and a lady visitor from Broadstairs was enjoyed. The area visited was the borders of Devon and Somerset. Towers visited were Kentisbeare, Burlescombe, Sampford Arundel, Rockwell Green, West Buckland and Wellington (where Mrs. E. S. Powell and D. T. North joined in ringing Stedman Triples and Plain Bob Major).

## OBITUARY

Just a week before his death I was able to send him good wishes from his friends of the Amsterdamse Carilloncommissie, given after a recital at the Westeroren in Amsterdam. He did much to foster greater understanding between the ringing and the playing of bells, and between Britain and the Continent. Nothing was too much trouble to him; he was always ready to instruct the amateur in the art of chiming or to demonstrate and popularise his beloved instrument. His enthusiasm for the carillon was infectious. For many years we shall hear clock chimes and tunes played by automatic machines set by Jack Paice, carillonneur. G. R. H.

## LATE L. A. GOODENOUGH'S PEALS

Triples.—Stedman 15 (conducted 7).

Major.—Plain Bob 1, Double Norwich Court Bob 8 (4), Kent Treble Bob 4 (2), Oxford Treble Bob 1 (1), Cambridge Surprise 7 (7), Superlative Surprise 4 (3), Bristol Surprise 1 (1), London Surprise 2 (1).

Caters.—Stedman 2 (1),

Royal.—Plain Bob 1.

Cinques.—Stedman 1.

Total 47 (conducted 27).

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

The pleasant little eight at Maulden were perfectly suited to the warm, sunny afternoon of September 12th, when the Biggleswade District met there. Under the direction of Mr. R. J. Sharp, the Ringing Master, the bells were kept going throughout the afternoon to a variety of methods, the best ringing being a course of the special method, Ealing Surprise Major.

The business meeting, which followed an enjoyable tea in the Village Hall, was reduced to a minimum as the Vicar of Silsoe was awaiting our arrival there before commencing Evensong. After the short service, at which Mr. T. P. Harris, the local tower captain, played the organ, the ringers adjourned to the tower to ring on one of the lightest sixes in the county. Mr. Harris, the Ringing Master for the evening, had a hard job to satisfy the many and varied requests of the fairly large company, the highlight of a good evening's ringing being a touch of Spliced Surprise Minor. A. R. A.

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# GRANDSIRE TRIPLES: THE MAKING OF TOUCHES

(Continued from page 633)

We come now to the construction and calling of simple touches, and the beginner may well start his investigations by considering touches based on a definite observation bell. For convenience it will be well to take the 7th as an observation bell to begin with, although it will be clear as we go on that any bell may be made to serve in this capacity.

Consider for a start the following callings:

A	B	C
234567	234567	234567
253746	253746	253746
— 672453	275634	275634
647325	— 462375	267453
634572	436527	— 342567
653247		
D	E	F
234567	234567	234567
253746	253746	— 752634
— 672453	— 672453	— 467352
— 346572	647325	436275
354267	— 536247	423567

Each of them has an 'official' name.  
A.— 'Before.' Called the lead that the 7th makes thirds.

B.— 'Wrong.' Called the lead after the 7th makes thirds.

C.— 'Home.' Called the lead after the 7th has dodged 4-5 down.

D.— 'Before and Wrong.' This is 'Before' followed by another bob.

E.— 'Before and Home.'

F.— 'In and Out.' The 7th is called into the Hunt for one lead only.

Some points about these callings must be noted and clearly understood. The first thing we see is that the bob 'Before' does not shorten the course, but that all the others give a short course of four leads. The reason is, of course, that the bob 'Before' does not alter the work of the observation bell, but in all the other callings the observation bell is thrown forward one lead.

The second point to note is that both C and F will produce a course end . . . 567 but that one has the front bells 342 and the other 423.

These six callings are now presented here in the form of a table of course ends, and the student should have no difficulty in comparing this form of setting out with that labelled A to F. The 7th, being at home at each course end has been omitted.

Each of these callings will of its own accord provide a touch. If the 7th is called Before continuously a touch of five courses, 350 changes, will be produced. It will not be a very interesting touch or a musical one, but it is good practice to write it out. The calling Before and Home gives a course end 53624, and if the calling is repeated the bells come round, giving a touch of 112 changes. Once again the music is not particularly impressive. All the others will repeat twice and will each give a touch of 168.

The student here should note a musical effect in D (Before and Wrong). The first lead end has the pleasant musical effect, 253746. At the course end 4, 6, and 7 come into their rounds position. It is therefore certain that the first lead end of the second course will also end in 746, and so will the first lead end of the third course. This feature makes D perhaps the most musical of all the touches that can be got by repeating the callings given above.

By the use of the table of course ends it is possible to construct touches of any length.

Here is a short specimen made from this table, and the student may like to work out how many changes it contains. It will be seen that the 6th has been left undisturbed with the 7th, and so there

are a great number of leads (and other rows) ending in 67.

We can see, therefore, that the table given will enable us to construct touches, and even quarter peals. But working from this table alone will give us but a limited range of touches, and certainly will not allow us to explore to the full the musical properties of Grandsire Triples. To get the best out of the method we must remember that rows ending in 67, 74, and 46 will give the most satisfactory results, and if we can get these terminations at double dodging the effect will be increased and the music enriched. For variation, the inversions of these, namely, 47, 64, and 76, will provide a certain satisfaction, although generally speaking their impact on the ear is not so good as 46, 74, and 67. To these musical properties may be added the effect of 5, 6 and 7 coursing in different orders, and a great deal may be done in the way of inventing touches by keeping 5, 6, 7, together, but varying their coursing order. This we shall deal with presently.

First let us consider musical touches using rows ending in 74, 46, and 67. The best approach to this matter will be by examining some of the touches given in text books and such books as 'The Ringers' Diary.' Here, for instance, is a simple touch of 210 changes. It is a very musical one, for it keeps producing for us lead ends where 46 dodge together at calls, and it has other pleasing properties. But now observe closely what you could do with this touch, to lengthen it, to shorten it, or to vary its music.

To start with we must recognise an important fact. If in Grandsire Triples we call single, bob, bob, single at successive leads we shall reach the same lead as if we had called just a bob and nothing more. Let the student start from rounds and call a bob. He will get the lead 752634. Let him likewise start from rounds and call single, bob, bob, single, and he will still arrive at 752634, but he will have rung four leads instead of one lead. So, from any row, calling S.B.B.S. will produce the same row as calling bob, but three leads will have been added to the touch.

Now look again at our touch of 210. The second call is a bob and it produces 537246 with double dodging. Instead of this bob let us call S.B.B.S. At the first single we shall now ring 357246 (the Queen's Change), at the second call 623457, at the third call 746523, and at the next call, the second single, we get 537246. Then on we go. We have now added three leads to the touch and have introduced a splendid fresh lead, 357246.

It will now be apparent that the same thing can be done at the second bob (375246), and again at the third bob (753246), and on each occasion three leads can be added to the touch and the musical effects considerably increased. So the touch, standing as it does at 210 changes, can be made into a touch of 252 or 294 or 336, just as the conductor wishes.

Now note another possibility. The last single of the touch brings the bells into the plain course. By calling a bob immediately after the single the lead 342567 would be produced. Then by calling the 7th Home twice more we could add two courses to our touch. Or, alternatively, if time did not allow for two courses to be added, we can call another single immediately after 267453 and bring up the course end 432567. Calling the 7th Home with a single will then produce rounds, having added one course to the touch.

We must emphasise again at this point that any value gained from the reading of these notes will be largely lost unless the student gets busy with pencil and paper, writes out these touches and proves to his own satisfaction that what has been said really happens. Continual experiment in trying to make

touches is the secret of mastery and the source of much pleasure and profit, and the conductor who can go to the tower with a fresh short touch to try out will give great satisfaction to himself and will at the same time provide welcome variety for the ringing band. Nothing is more dull and destructive of enthusiasm than a monotonous repetition of one or two standard touches, and it is surprising what little variety one finds among conductors of a method like Grandsire, which is equalled only perhaps by Stedman in the scope it offers for novelty.

Having thus digressed for a few moments let us return to the touch of 210 and examine the same touch in another form. Note that the calling is precisely the same as in the previous touch, but this time the bobbed leads are all ending in 267 instead of 246. The same treatment can be applied to this touch by 'singling-in' three leads at one or more of the bobs, and note that the touch again comes into the plain course at the last single. We could, therefore, add some courses at the end just as we did in the other 210. This is a very simple example of what the composer calls transposition, for the touch has started its calling a lead earlier, produces the same number of changes, but has entirely different musical effects. Theoretically the two touches are identical, but in practice their effects are different.

If the student likes to experiment further with this set of figures let him write out the touch starting with the first single at the third lead, then spacing the succeeding bobs and singles as in the touches given here. If all goes well with his pricking, the plain course will appear (246375) at the second single and rounds will follow the next lead. But he will find a touch of a vastly different musical quality from those we have demonstrated here, although theoretically the touch is absolutely the same.

Before leaving this interesting touch let us squeeze a little more juice out of it. Here is another variation of it, a much shorter one: 357246 is brought up in three leads, and from there a single four leads later brings 753246, from which, as we have already discovered, a single at 1 will put us in the plain course. The student will do well to make a note in his note book of this useful lead 753246. It is one of the landmarks of the method: not only is it likely to occur in musical touches, but when it does we know that we have a ready means of getting into rounds in three leads. In the composing of touches exploiting the termination 46 or 246 the composer can lead his composition to 753246, and then he is free to get into the plain course if he wishes.

(To be continued)

## BARNSELY DISTRICT SOCIETY

A rise and fall and 360 changes was the test for the District Cup Contest held at Hovlandswaine, near Sheffield on September 12th. Mr. Harold Chant was the judge and, Miss Sheila Chennery the marker. Shelley won the cup with a loss of 27 points, the cup being received by Trevor Turbott. There were ash trays for each member of the team. Wentworth won the rise and fall. Other competitors were Meltham, Cawthorne, Barnsley and Sandal. Three new members were elected.

Next meeting: Elland, October 3rd.

ORSETT, ESSEX.—On Sunday, September 6th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Ody (first quarter) 1. Mrs. D. G. Moyell 2. Miss J. E. M. Hills 3. S. D. Holdaway 4. D. G. Mayell (cond.) 5. F. W. Blatch 6.



**THE NOMADS REVISIT TADLEY**

'The Nomads,' mainly recruited from Bristol, Gloucester and South Wales, for the third year in succession based their tour on Tadley where the Rector happens to be a ringer. It was really a long weekend starting on September 4th.

Improvements were noted at Padworth where in 1962 the path of the second rope was obstructed by the organ. The rope-way has now been resited and an amplifier enables the bells to be heard in the ringing room. The thunderous roar of 20 jet aircraft prevented the bells of Theale being heard and there was a retreat to the tranquillity of a Pangbourne tea shop. The ropes in the tower were springy. Afterwards at Mapledurham we joined in the practice and met the Rev. E. B. Wood, who accompanied the tour next day.

After three light rings on Saturday came the much anticipated highlight, All Saints', Basingstoke (11). With four of our best strikers absent even rounds damped our enthusiasm for these bells. At Odiham (a long-draught six), the third rope broke before we could go into changes. St Michael's Basingstoke, was really enjoyed and the day concluded with a social evening at Tadley.

A celebration of Holy Communion just next door in St. Saviour's Church failed to arouse some of the sleeper. An afternoon service at Dorchester Abbey necessitated a change of plans, but local ringers guided us to Warborough for a short ring. To our hosts at Tadley and at all towers visited we offer a very big thank you.

G. M.

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**

The Oswy Street Memorial Cup was competed for on August 29th at Laxton. It was won by Derby Cathedral with seven faults and a penalty of 10 faults. Other competitors were Friezland, 25 faults and 20 penalty; Warsop, 44 faults and 10 penalty. The cup was presented by Mr. H. Denman to Mr. G. Halls, of Derby.

**SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD****Southern District**

Thanks to the visitors from the neighbouring diocese, the meeting at Cefn Coed on September 5th was an excellent social gathering of ringers, who indulged in ringing methods ranging from Plain Bob to London Surprise.

At the service in St. John's Church the Vicar (the Rev. O. Morgan) gave a very warm welcome.

In spite of the weather being unkind, 35 ringers and friends sat down to an excellent meal provided by the local parishioners. Miss Kath Watkins, the Master, suitably thanked those concerned.

The meeting stood in silence in remembrance of the late Mrs. Stich, widow of Mr. Ernie Stich, who died 18 months ago. An experiment of Sunday afternoon ringing at St. Mary's, Swansea, is to be introduced from October 4th. The District annual meeting will be held at Sketty on December 5th. The votes of thanks included the Vicar and the organist, Mr. Leslie Evans.

Permission had been previously granted to ring at St. David's, Merthyr Tydfil. After fixing a rope to one of the bells they were rung to several methods without the tenor, which was unringable.

J. A. H.

**AT EXETER CATHEDRAL**

A party of North Somerset ringers visited Exeter Cathedral on Saturday, September 5th, and, under the leadership of Mr. H. W. Knight, on the treble, raised the 12 in peal with G. Prescott 2, C. Bishop 3, H. A. Rice 4, R. Cole 5, W. Rice 6, J. Owen 7, P. Gardiner 8, J. Brain 9, S. Smith and C. York 10, L. Derrick and J. K. Baker 11, W. H. Kingcott, E. Lee and M. Ball tenor.

After touches of Triples, Caters and Cinques the 12 were lowered in peal single-handed.

The efforts were very favourably commented upon by local ringers present, who say this is the first time the 12 have been pulled up 'in peal'.

The afternoon was rounded off by enjoying the 10 at Cullompton to varying methods. B.

**CRICKET CHALLENGE ACCEPTED**

We in the Western District of the Hertford County Association normally take things pretty steady, but when our neighbours in the St. Albans District challenged us to a game of cricket, action was called for. August 29th was the date, a beautiful afternoon, and they must have been confident of beating us, since they had allowed us to find a pitch of our own choice; they also brought along two girls, who played rather better than some of the men.

St. Albans were put in to bat and were going quite well at 40-1. Steve Darvill went on to make 39, but a collapse followed and they were all out for 80, mainly due to excellent bowling and fielding by our captain, George Reading.

The Western District scored the 81 runs required for the loss of four wickets and went on to make 141 (Keith Shephard 49). M. Sherrick, the St. Albans captain, after a rather comic opening over, took 5 for 36, but it was all in vain.

We in the Western District just take these things in our stride. 'WESTERNER.'

**IN RUTLAND AND AROUND**

Participating in a five-day tour in and around Rutland, which started on August 15th, were Philip Gay, Roger Gay, Ruth Gay, John Queen, Dave Midgley, Ann Fellows, Andy Jobson and Max Haymann. The tour was outstanding for its sheer spirit of camaraderie and for the sustained quality of the ringing. They deprecate the phrase 'methods from Grandsire to London were rung' and prefer 'a great many Doubles and Minor methods and some Surprise.'

A peal in five Minor methods was rung at Exton and a quarter at Loughborough Campanile after being conducted round the foundry and offered for sale a 50 cwt. swinging bell! The practice at Melton Mowbray was enjoyed by the five who attended. Thanks are extended to Philip Gay for a most successfully organised and conducted tour.

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The Rev. Arthur Luman, Rector of Murston, Bapchild, Kent, informs us that the 'News of the World' has presented his church with a ring of five bells. A faculty has been granted for their installation. The parish has also a 'Big Bells Fund' which has received £354.

The peal of Cambridge Surprise Major rung at 'Sutton-on-Trent on July 24th has appeared on pages 551 and 603. Will those who keep records please note.

The first comment of Miss Sue M. Heyworth on ringing her first peal at Brightwell-cum-Sotwell was 'Look! no blisters!!' In her first quarter she acquired double figures (in blisters) on each hand.

It was an unexpected pleasure for the band who rang at Havant for the birth of a granddaughter to Mr. Morgan Marshall, the ringer of the sixth, to be so hospitably entertained to tea at the successful conclusion of the peal.

Geoffrey K. Dodd, of Woolton Hill, near Newbury, is seeing signs of progress in his area. Four peals have been rung and there were five firsts in the method in a peal of Kent T.B. Major at Aldermaston.

In the peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, at Bridlington recently, the asterisk for the first peal of Kent Major against the name of David S. Johnson should have been placed against Richard D. Gibson.

The bells of Holy Trinity Church, 'Lane End, Bucks, were taken to the Loughborough Bell Foundry in July to be retuned, and are to be rehung complete with new fittings. It is hoped that the bells will be ringing again soon after Christmas.

Who was the lady from Kent who at the meeting of the Furness and Lake District Branch at Ambleside on September 12th called Stedman? Writes our correspondent, who is a veteran: 'I have never come across a lady who could call it like her. I was much impressed by her performance. One of the chaps in the car going home said she had red hair, but I was too absorbed in the way she called the Stedman to notice!'

## BELFRY GOSSIP

With the peal at Coalbrookdale on August 28th, Mr. C. W. Woolley becomes only the fourth person to ring 100 peals for the Cambridge University Guild. The others are Messrs. E. M. Atkins, A. H. E. Boughiey, and W. H. J. Hooton. This peal was also Miss Susan Jackson's 50th for the Guild.

Mr. Brian Pattison, of Bedford, hopes to be in England shortly. He is with the Cosmic Ray Laboratory at Oorgaum, Mysore State, India.

Eleven year old Ian Bell rang his first peal on the bells of All Saints', Somerby, Leicestershire, on September 12th. He is the youngest ringer in Melton District to ring a peal.

Calling attention to the duplication of the peal at Chipping Norton (pages 623 and 603). Mr. P. Gerald McIlhone states that the error was due to a misunderstanding. He apologises for any queries that may have arisen because of the mistake.

Due recognition, we hope, will be given at the annual meeting of the Oxford Diocesan Guild to Mr. J. Keyte, who has resigned the secretaryship of the Chipping Norton Branch of the Guild after 42 years. His 74th birthday and long service were honoured by a quarter peal on August 31st, at Chipping Norton.

Mr. George Seth, of Elstow, Beds, who was 76 a few weeks ago, rang in a quarter peal recently to celebrate the event. He is looking forward to his next peal, having rung one this year, and eleven in all, not commencing change-ringing before he was nearly fifty.

The band who rang in the quarter peal at Woolton, Beds, would like to send their best wishes to the Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Thorp and family, who left the parish in July and especially to John Thorp who was mainstay of Woolton ringing. A peal attempt as a farewell was unfortunately lost.

Miss J. Armstrong has been asked by Morpeth Borough Council to ring the Curfew Bell at the Watch Tower every night at 8 o'clock. She writes: 'The slight of the Curfew is still going on, the latest being on Thursday, September 10th. I am waiting for my 'Ringing World' to read all about it.'

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**A LANCASHIRE PEAL WEEK****ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

BILSBORROW, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Hilda.

*On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5120 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. in F sharp

Malcolm A. Phillips .. .. 2	Cyril Crossthwaite .. .. 5
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. .. 2	Peter S. Bennett .. .. 6
Anne E. Bateson .. .. 3	John H. Fielden .. .. 7
Susan Funnell .. .. 4	David J. Allen .. .. Tenor

Composed by M. Hodgson.

Conducted by Cyril Crossthwaite.

WHITTLE-LE-WOODS, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. John.

*On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lb.

Anne E. Bateson .. .. 2	John H. Fielden .. .. 5
Susan Funnell .. .. 2	Philip J. Rothera .. .. 6
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. .. 3	David J. Allen .. .. 7
Malcolm A. Phillips .. .. 4	Peter S. Bennett .. .. Tenor

Composed by R. Baldwin.

Conducted by John H. Fielden.

TARLETON, Lancashire.—At the Church of Holy Trinity.

*On Mon., Aug. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5280 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb.

John H. Fielden .. .. 2	*Philip J. Crossthwaite .. .. 5
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. .. 2	Richard S. Starkie .. .. 6
Margaret E. Fort .. .. 3	Cyril Crossthwaite .. .. 7
*Bernard Moss .. .. 4	J. Barry Pickup .. .. Tenor

Composed by Norman Smith.

Conducted by J. Barry Pickup.

\* First peal in the method.

OSWALDTWISTLE, Lancashire.—At the Church of Immanuel.

*On Tues., Sept. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.

Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. .. 2	*Jeffrey Kershaw .. .. 5
F. John Nelson .. .. 2	Philip J. Crossthwaite .. .. 6
J. Barry Pickup .. .. 3	*Richard S. Starkie .. .. 7
John P. Partington .. .. 4	John H. Fielden .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. Ivins.

Conducted by F. John Nelson.

\* First peal in the method.

HEPTONSTALL, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Thomas.

*On Wed., Sept. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lb.

J. Barry Pickup .. .. 2	Richard S. Starkie .. .. 5
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. .. 2	Jeffrey Kershaw .. .. 6
Margaret E. Fort .. .. 3	John H. Fielden .. .. 7
Philip J. Crossthwaite .. .. 4	F. John Nelson .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. Ivins.

Conducted by J. Barry Pickup.

CROSS STONE, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Paul.

*On Wed., Sept. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb.

Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. .. 2	John H. Fielden .. .. 5
*Barbara M. Butler .. .. 2	Jeffrey Kershaw .. .. 6
Margaret E. Fort .. .. 3	F. John Nelson .. .. 7
Philip J. Crossthwaite .. .. 4	*Richard J. Parker .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by Maryl R. Crossthwaite.

\* First of Surprise Major.

*On Thurs., Sept. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.*

HELMSHORE, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Thomas, Musbury.

**A PEAL OF 5120 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb.

Barbara M. Butler .. .. 2	John P. Partington .. .. 5
Margaret E. Fort .. .. 2	Philip J. Crossthwaite .. .. 6
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. .. 3	John H. Fielden .. .. 7
F. John Nelson .. .. 4	J. Barry Pickup .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by F. John Nelson.

**THE CAMPINGOLOGISTS' PEAL WEEK****ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

WEST HALLAM, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Wilfred of York.

*On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb. in A.

P. Gerald McIlhone .. .. 2	Leonard Goodall .. .. 5
F. Hector Bennett .. .. 2	Ian Friend .. .. 6
Richard J. Warrilow .. .. 3	Frank Beech .. .. 7
David R. Ingram .. .. 4	Geoffrey Davies .. .. Tenor

Composed by R. W. Pipe.

Conducted by Geoffrey Davies.

DARLEY DALE, Derbyshire.—In the belfry of the Church of St. Helen.

*On Mon., Aug. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 16 in B flat.

Geoffrey Davies .. .. 1—2	Leonard Goodall .. .. 5—6
F. Hector Bennett .. .. 3—4	Ian Friend .. .. 7—8

Composed by J. R. Pritchard.

Conducted by Leonard Goodall.

DARLEY DALE, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Helen.  
*On Mon., Aug. 17, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5056 ALDENHAM SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15½ cwt. in F.

Christopher J. Hughes .. .. 2	Ian Friend .. .. 5
F. Hector Bennett .. .. 2	John Robinson .. .. 6
Charles A. S. Webb .. .. 3	Leonard Goodall .. .. 7
Geoffrey Davies .. .. 4	David W. Friend .. .. Tenor

Composed by Denis Knox.

Conducted by Leonard Goodall.

ASHOVER, Derbyshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

*On Tues., Aug. 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 18 cwt. 10 lb. in E.

John Robinson .. .. 2	Richard J. Warrilow .. .. 5
Charles A. S. Webb .. .. 2	Harold Taylor .. .. 6
Geoffrey N. Goodall .. .. 3	David W. Friend .. .. 7
Cecil T. Clarke .. .. 4	Leonard Goodall .. .. Tenor

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood.

Conducted by David W. Friend.

FAIRFIELD, Buxton, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

*On Tues., Aug. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 10 lb. in F sharp.

Geoffrey N. Goodall .. .. 2	Ian Friend .. .. 5
P. Gerald McIlhone .. .. 2	Geoffrey Davies .. .. 6
F. Hector Bennett .. .. 3	David R. Ingram .. .. 7
Antony R. Kench .. .. 4	Philip G. K. Davies .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. Sedgley.

Conducted by Geoffrey Davies.

RIPLEY, Derbyshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

*On Wed., Aug. 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MAJOR**

Being 3,600 Plain Bob and 1,440 Cambridge Surprise with 90 changes of method.

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb. in F.

Cecil T. Clarke .. .. 2	David W. Friend .. .. 5
Philip G. K. Davies .. .. 2	Ian Friend .. .. 6
P. Gerald McIlhone .. .. 3	Christopher J. Hughes .. .. 7
F. Hector Bennett .. .. 4	David R. Ingram .. .. Tenor

Arranged by Roger Baldwin.

Conducted by David W. Friend.

SUDBURY, Derbyshire.—At Mackley House Farm.

*On Wed., Aug. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 10 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 11 in G.

Geoffrey Davies .. .. 1—2	Antony R. Kench .. .. 5—6
Charles A. S. Webb .. .. 3—4	Leonard Goodall .. .. 7—8

Composed by C. Charge.

Conducted by Leonard Goodall.

DUFFIELD, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Alkmund.

*On Fri., Aug. 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in E.

Geoffrey Davies .. .. 2	Philip G. K. Davies .. .. 6
F. Hector Bennett .. .. 2	Gordon A. Halls .. .. 7
Ian Friend .. .. 3	Leonard Goodall .. .. 8
P. Gerald McIlhone .. .. 4	Richard J. Warrilow .. .. 9
Antony R. Kench .. .. 5	John Robinson .. .. Tenor

Composed by Ian M. Holland.

Conducted by Leonard Goodall.

MATLOCK, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Giles.

*On Fri., Aug. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt.

Anthony Laughton .. .. 2	John Robinson .. .. 5
Philip G. K. Davies .. .. 2	P. Gerald McIlhone .. .. 6
Christopher J. Hughes .. .. 3	Antony R. Kench .. .. 7
F. Hector Bennett .. .. 4	Ian Friend .. .. Tenor

Composed by Roger Baldwin.

Conducted by Antony R. Kench.

DERBY.—At the Church of St. Luke.

*On Fri., Aug. 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 42 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 30 cwt. 3 qr. 2 lb. in D flat.

Cecil T. Clarke .. .. 2	Richard J. Warrilow .. .. 5
Gordon A. Halls .. .. 2	Charles A. S. Webb .. .. 6
Geoffrey Davies .. .. 3	Leonard Goodall .. .. 7
David R. Ingram .. .. 4	David W. Friend .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by Geoffrey Davies.

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

*On Sat., Aug. 22, 1964, in 4 Hours and 6 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 35 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in D flat.

Philip G. K. Davies .. .. 2	Geoffrey Davies .. .. 6
John Robinson .. .. 2	*Antony R. Kench .. .. 7
David W. Friend .. .. 3	Richard J. Warrilow .. .. 8
F. Hector Bennett .. .. 4	Leonard Goodall .. .. 9
Charles A. S. Webb .. .. 5	Ian M. Holland .. .. Tenor

Arranged by N. Bennett.

Conducted by Geoffrey Davies.

\* 100th peal.



## CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD WEEK

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.  
COALBROOKDALE, Salop.—At the Church of Holy Trinity.  
On Fri., Aug. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5067 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 27 lb. in D.	
M. S. Jackson (Girton) .. Treble	J. H. R. Freeborn (Clare) .. 6
F. E. Haynes (St. Cath's) .. 2	W. T. Cook (Jesus) .. 7
V. Nutton (Selwyn) .. 3	J. H. Fielden (St. Cath's) .. 8
S. C. Walters (Pembroke) .. 4	C. W. Woolley (Selwyn) .. 9
C. H. Rogers (Emmanuel) .. 5	H. Neill (St. Cath's) .. Tenor

Conducted by F. E. Haynes.

## TWELVE AND TEN BELL PEALS

## THE LADIES GUILD.

LEICESTER.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Martin  
On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 25 cwt. 20 lb. in D.	
Joan Beresford .. Treble	Marjorie F. Matthews .. 7
Jean F. Woolford .. 2	Shirley M. Drew .. 8
Jill Staniforth .. 3	Sheila M. Dobbie .. 9
Mrs. R. F. Deal .. 4	Margaret E. L. Chapman .. 10
Jacqueline S. King .. 5	Hilda G. Snowden .. 11
Sandra E. Chesterton .. 6	Doris E. Colgate .. Tenor

Conducted by Joan Beresford.

Composed by John Carter.

First peal on 12 bells for the Guild.

Rung with the congratulations of the band to Miss I. B. Thomson on her 80th birthday.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

BRISTOL.—At the Church of St. Mary, Redcliffe.

On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 36 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 50 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb. in B.	
G. William Critchley .. Treble	Robert C. Kippin .. 6
Albert M. Tyler .. 2	Clifford A. Barron .. 7
*Roderick W. Pipe .. 3	John A. Anderson .. 8
John Chilcott .. 4	Frank C. Price .. 9
Michael V. Chilcott .. 5	Peter Border .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

\* 400th peal.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

TAMWORTH, Staffs.—At the Collegiate Church of St. Editha.

On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.	
E. Alan Jacques .. Treble	W. Ernest Rawson .. 6
Patricia A. Morris .. 2	John M. Jelley .. 7
Beryl A. Cawser .. 3	Roland H. Cook .. 8
J. Edward Cawser .. 4	Russell S. Morris .. 9
Malcolm E. Wade .. 5	R. Kingsley Mason .. Tenor

Conducted by J. Edward Cawser.

First peal in the method on the bells.

Rung as a farewell to the Vicar, Preb. A. Jones.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

MACCLESFIELD, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 39 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 26½ cwt.	
*Sidney Hough .. Treble	Neil D. Lomas .. 7
Tudor P. Edwards .. 2	Kenneth J. Hesketh .. 8
*Richard Starkie .. 3	F. John Nelson .. 9
John Robinson .. 4	Dennis Mottershead .. 10
Derek Ashton .. 5	Geoff D. Fearnough .. 11
*Giles B. Thompson .. 6	Frederick Shallcross .. Tenor

Conducted by Denis Mottershead.

\* First peal of Surprise Maximus.

Adapted from compositions of G. Lindoff and F. Dench.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

TEWKESBURY, Gloucestershire.—At the Abbey Church of

St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 37 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 27 cwt. 5 lb.	
Mrs. F. J. Marshallsay .. Treble	Laurence E. Hitchins .. 7
Donald G. Clift .. 2	Edward J. Chivers .. 8
Cyril A. Wratten .. 3	Frank L. Harris .. 9
Philip N. Tubbs .. 4	Lewis F. Cobb .. 10
Raymond Haines .. 5	Ronald N. Marlow .. 11
John R. Faithfull .. 6	R. Roger Savory .. Tenor

Conducted by Ronald N. Marlow.

First peal on 12 as conductor.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

LEICESTER.—At the Church of St. John-the-Divine.

On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 21 cwt. in E flat.	
*David R. Baxter .. Treble	Dennis A. Frith .. 6
Martin C. Faulkes .. 2	Roland H. Cook .. 7
William A. Lacey .. 3	Alan E. Hartley .. 8
David G. Wilford .. 4	Brian S. Cope .. 9
Malcolm E. Wade .. 5	R. Kingsley Mason .. Tenor

Conducted by Denis A. Frith.

\* First peal of Royal. First peal of Surprise Royal as conductor.  
Rung on the eve of the 110th anniversary of the consecration of this church.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

BANBURY, Oxon.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. in E.	
*Ian C. Maycock .. Treble	Geoffrey Davies .. 6
*†Antony R. Kench .. 2	Martyn L. J. Jordan .. 7
Ann E. Fellows .. 3	Ernest J. Gower .. 8
Susan Funnell .. 4	George E. Thoday .. 9
David J. Allen .. 5	Charles A. S. Webb .. Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey Davies.

\* 25th peal together. † 50th of Surprise.

## THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY.

EXETER, Devon.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 4 Hours and 2 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5067 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 72 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in B flat.	
Elisabeth A. G. Bowden .. Treble	Ian C. Maycock .. 6
Derek M. Sawyer .. 2	Patrick J. Bird .. 7
Antony R. Kench .. 3	Brian J. Wyde .. 8
Arthur R. Wright .. 4	Tudor P. Edwards .. 9
Ivor H. Trueman .. 5	Frank D. Mack .. Tenor
	Michael T. Sprackling .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. Groves.

Rung after meeting short for Cinques.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

WAKEFIELD, Yorkshire.—At the Cathedral Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 35½ cwt.	
Derek P. Yates .. Treble	Alan McFall .. 7
Gillian Schofield .. 2	Roderick W. Pipe .. 8
Robert J. Warrilow .. 3	Roger J. Lumley .. 9
Harold C. Lonyon .. 4	Basil Jones .. 10
C. Kenneth Lewis .. 5	Robert B. Smith .. 11
John Worth .. 6	A. Peter Whitehead .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by C. Kenneth Lewis.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

THORNBURY, Gloucestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt. in E flat.	
Jennifer M. Taylor .. Treble	John H. Taylor .. 5
Cliff Richards .. 2	Alan J. Griffin .. 6
James R. Taylor .. 3	Don C. Exell .. 7
Michael J. Hobbs .. 4	Ralph G. Edwards .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

Conducted by Don C. Exell.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

WINDSOR, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Fri., Aug. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 17½ cwt.	
Albert C. Wenban .. Treble	William Birmingham, jun. .. 5
Monica Blagrove .. 2	James Brooks .. 6
Arthur Cross .. 3	Frank T. Blagrove .. 7
Timothy G. Pett .. 4	A. James Glass .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by F. T. Blagrove.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

BRAY, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sun., Aug. 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb.	
Monica Blagrove .. Treble	William Birmingham .. 5
Elizabeth Birmingham .. 2	Michael Hatchett .. 6
Timothy G. Pett .. 3	Wilfrid G. Wilson .. 7
Giles R. Shedden .. 4	Frank T. Blagrove .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Frank T. Blagrove.



## THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

KIDSGROVE, Staffs.—At the Church of St. Thomas.

On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 4 lb.

Walter Sherratt .. .	Treble	*Christine Birks .. .	5
Norman Sherratt .. .	2	Frank Morton .. .	6
Paul J. Atkins .. .	3	Roy Worrall .. .	7
Harold Dowler .. .	4	Dennis Latham .. .	Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by Norman Sherratt.

\* First peal of Surprise Major.

## BROUGHTON, Staffs.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb.

*Barbara G. Dale .. .	Treble	Richard Wharton .. .	5
Norman Sherratt .. .	2	Paul J. Atkins .. .	6
†Christine Birks .. .	3	Dennis Latham .. .	7
Harold Dowler .. .	4	Walter Sherratt .. .	Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pitstow.

Conducted by Norman Sherratt.

\* First peal of Surprise Major.

† First of Yorkshire.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

QUIDENHAM, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

Pritchard's Four-Part .. .	Treble	Frank C. J. Arnold .. .	5
William Clover .. .	2	Henry Tooke .. .	6
Robin Churchill .. .	3	Leslie F. Bailey .. .	7
C. Frank W. Philippo .. .	4	H. William Barrett .. .	Tenor

Conducted by Henry Tooke.

Rung half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the memory of Canon W. M. Harper-Mitchell. Rector of Quidenham, Eccles and Snetterton since 1927.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Thurs., June 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in A.

Muriel Reay .. .	Treble	Roderick W. Pipe .. .	5
Susan Funnell .. .	2	Martin D. Fellows .. .	6
Norman J. Goodman .. .	3	Clifford A. Barron .. .	7
George E. Fearn .. .	4	Peter Border .. .	Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivins.

Conducted by Peter Border.

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

On Thurs., Sept. 10, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5120 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in A.

J. Alan Ainsworth .. .	Treble	*Michael J. Fellows .. .	5
Susan Funnell .. .	2	Roderick W. Pipe .. .	6
Norman J. Goodman .. .	3	John C. Eisel .. .	7
Peter Border .. .	4	George E. Fearn .. .	Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

\* First peal in the method.

## DEDDINGTON, Oxon.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5184 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 10 lb. in E.

Ann E. Fellows .. .	Tenor	Ian C. Maycock .. .	5
Charles A. S. Webb .. .	2	Martyn L. J. Jordan .. .	6
David J. Allen .. .	3	Geoffrey Davies .. .	7
Antony R. Kench .. .	4	George E. Thoday .. .	Tenor

Arranged by Antony R. Kench.

Conducted by Geoffrey Davies.

## THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

SITTINGBOURNE, Kent.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sun., Aug. 23, 1964, in 3 Hours and 31 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5472 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In nine methods, comprising 1,024 London, 832 Bristol, 800 Watford, 640 Cambridge, 512 Dorchester and Pudsey, 416 Cassiobury, 384 Superlative and 352 Lincoln, with 125 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.

Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb. in E.

Ann Jenner .. .	Treble	Stanley Jenner .. .	5
E. Jane Sibson .. .	2	Edwin A. Barnett .. .	6
Joan Beresford .. .	3	Derek E. Sibson .. .	7
Sheila M. Dobbie .. .	4	Dennis Beresford .. .	Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

HELMINGHAM, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Tues., Sept. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19½ cwt. in E.

Middleton's .. .	Treble	Peter S. Bedford .. .	5
William J. Button .. .	2	Ernest G. Pearce .. .	6
Laurence R. Pizzev .. .	3	John W. Blythe .. .	7
Leslie G. Brett .. .	4	H. William Barrett .. .	Tenor

Conducted by Leslie G. Brett.

A birthday compliment to ringers of 5 and 6 and Mrs. L. G. Brett.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

EPSOM COMMON, Surrey.—At Christ Church.

On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

William Parratt .. .	Treble	David J. Herschell .. .	5
*Adrienne Gibson .. .	2	*Norman G. T. Steere .. .	6
*Sally Parratt .. .	3	Alan E. Bagworth .. .	7
†Christopher W. Daws .. .	4	A. Patrick Cannon .. .	Tenor

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood.

Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon.

\* First peal in method. † First peal.

Rung as a welcome to Alison Jane, daughter of Alan and Freda Streeter, of Redhill.

Tenor 11½ cwt. in F sharp.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

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

On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 25 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb. in D.

Patrick Page .. .	Treble	John R. Faithfull .. .	5
Betty J. Daysh .. .	2	Michael J. Thomas .. .	6
Anthony R. Cope .. .	3	David J. Forder .. .	7
*Richard H. Green .. .	4	David E. House .. .	Tenor

Composed by Cornelius Charge.

Conducted by David E. House.

\* First eight-bell peal.

## HAWKLEY, Hampshire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Sept. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. in A.

Stanley G. Ponting .. .	Treble	J. Richard Hough .. .	5
E. Winifred Keys .. .	2	David J. Taylor .. .	6
Gillian A. Leale .. .	3	David P. Hilling .. .	7
Robin G. Leale .. .	4	William S. Deason .. .	Tenor

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood.

Conducted by Robin G. Leale.

Rung for the marriage at this church of Lorna Pound, daughter of the Hawkley tower captain, and David Nevitt.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

NETHERTON, Dudley, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Fri., Sept. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 WATFORD SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 lb. in F sharp.

M. Irene Ellsmore .. .	Treble	Michael J. Fellows .. .	5
John R. Insley .. .	2	Martin D. Fellows .. .	6
James Insley .. .	3	Norman J. Goodman .. .	7
Roderick W. Pipe .. .	4	Clifford A. Barron .. .	Tenor

Composed by W. Eric Critchley.

Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

First peal in the method by all the band.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(Beverley and District Society.)

HEDON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Augustine.

On Fri., Sept. 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in E.

Arthur B. Cooper .. .	Treble	†Howard C. Palmer .. .	5
*Michael J. Wilson .. .	2	David S. Johnson .. .	6
†Patricia M. Samuel .. .	3	Ian G. Campbell .. .	7
Graham K. Smith .. .	4	Ronald Ducker .. .	Tenor

Composed by J. Barker.

Conducted by Ronald Ducker.

\* First peal. † First of Major.

Rung in memory of the father of Michael J. Wilson.

## HEPTONSTALL, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Thomas.

On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lb. in E.

J. Neville Parkin .. .	Treble	A. Barry Sullivan .. .	5
Iris Lemare .. .	2	Roger J. Lumley .. .	6
Anne E. Reynolds .. .	3	David Smith .. .	7
Vivian Nutton .. .	4	J. Henry Fielden .. .	Tenor

Composed by Roger Baldwin.

Conducted by J. Henry Fielden.

## SKIPTON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt. 17 lb. in E flat.

Nicholas M. Newby .. .	Treble	Nicholas M. Newby, jun. .. .	5
Alan Capstick .. .	2	Digby Burton .. .	6
*Stuart Brook .. .	3	†Christopher Lawson .. .	7
*Paul Norman .. .	4	Thomas F. Metcalfe .. .	Tenor

Composed by J. R. Pritchard.

Conducted by Thomas F. Metcalfe.

\* First peal. † First 'inside'.

Rung for the ringers of 3 and 4, leaving to go to University.

## NON-ASSOCIATION.

TOTTENHAM, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. Ann, Stamford Hill.

On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

William A. Hughes .. .	Treble	William A. Theobald .. .	5
Ernest J. Rowe .. .	2	Trevor N. J. Bailey .. .	6
Arthur F. Lewry .. .	3	Harry Parkes .. .	7
Dennis H. L. Langdon .. .	4	Henry G. Weedon .. .	Tenor

Composed by John Vicars.

Conducted by Trevor N. J. Bailey.

Rung half-muffled by past and present members of the staff of the Whitechapel Bell Foundry in thanksgiving for the life and work of Albert A. Hughes, 1885-1964.

Tenor 8 cwt. in A.



## FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

### THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

WILMSLOW, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew.

On Tues., Sept. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

*John A. Creer .. .. Treble	Giles B. Thompson .. .. 4
Carol Fernley .. .. 2	Basil Jones .. .. 5
Derek F. Yates .. .. 3	Robert B. Smith .. .. Tenor

\* First peal. Conducted by Robert B. Smith.

### THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

TYBERTON, Herefordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., Aug. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being ten extents each of St. Simon's and St. Martin's, eight of Plain Bob, and 14 of Grandsire; 18 changes of method.

Tenor 6½ cwt.

George T. Cousins .. .. Treble	Peter D. Sell .. .. 3
Peter D. S. Caligari .. .. 2	John F. I. Turney .. .. 4

Marcus C. W. Sherwood .. Tenor

Conducted by Marcus C. W. Sherwood.

First peal as conductor.

### THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ACCRINGTON, Lancashire.—At the Campanile.

On Fri., Aug. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43½ Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in G.

Raymond D. Helliwell .. Treble	J. Barry Pickup .. .. 4
Judith P. Winterbottom .. 2	Richard S. Starkie .. .. 5
*Neil Margerison .. .. 3	Richard J. Parker .. .. Tenor

\* First peal. Conducted by Richard J. Parker.

### THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

KNIGHTON, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

On Mon., Aug. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents, in 32 methods/variations, viz: two each of Southrepps, Reverse Canterbury, Clifford's Pleasure, Costessy, St. Columb, St. Miles, Winchendon Place, Walsingham, St. Luke and Grandsire, and one each of Stedman, April Day, Kennington, Besthorpe, Old Bob, St. Simon, Eynsham, St. Albans, Shropham, St. Martin, Cassington, St. Leonard, Mileham, St. Peter, St. Paul, St. Giles, St. John, St. Andrew, St. Nicholas, St. Thomas, Norwich and Plain Bob.

Alan E. Hartley .. .. Treble	Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. 3
Rupert A. Clarke .. .. 2	A. James Poynor .. .. 4

R. Kingsley Mason .. .. Tenor

Conducted by A. James Poynor.

First peal on the bells since 1921.

Rung for the Feast of St. Bartholomew.

Tenor 14 cwt.

GROBY, Leicestershire.—At the Church of SS. Philip and James.

On Wed., Aug. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in four methods: three of Plain Bob, two of Cambridge Surprise, one each of Grandsire and Kent T.B.

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb.

Christopher P. Rice .. .. Treble	Martin C. Faulkes .. .. 4
Stephen Hall .. .. 2	Alan E. Hartley .. .. 5
A. James Poynor .. .. 3	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. Tenor

Conducted by A. James Poynor.

HATHERN, Leicestershire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise and Kent T.B., two of Single Oxford and three of Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb.

Judy Exon .. .. Treble	Charles Woods .. .. 4
Celia Harris .. .. 2	Frank Chambers .. .. 5
John Tickle .. .. 3	Tom Harris .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Tom Harris.

Rung for the marriage of Ron Carter and Valerie Lacey, both ringers at this tower.

SOMERBY, Leicestershire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Thurs., Sept. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods: Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Oxford Bob, Single Court, Double Court and Plain Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. in G.

*Ian Bell .. .. Treble	Richard E. Manton .. .. 4
Mrs. Mary Stimson .. .. 2	Roland H. Cook .. .. 5
Michael T. Stimson .. .. 3	E. Alan Jacques .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Roland H. Cook.

\* First peal attempt, age 11.

### MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

STANWELL, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sun., Sept. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Double Court, St. Clement's College Bob, Single Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt.

Peter A. Lawrence .. .. Treble	Tony Price .. .. 4
Monica M. Blagrove .. .. 2	Frank T. Blagrove .. .. 5
Timothy G. Pett .. .. 3	Richard E. Price .. .. Tenor

Conducted by F. T. Blagrove.

### THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

OVERSEALE, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Matthew.

On Mon., Aug. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 10 cwt. in A flat.

Norman W. Cotton .. .. Treble	Richard J. Clifton .. .. 4
William H. Curson .. .. 2	Joseph W. Cotton .. .. 5
*Edwin Deakin .. .. 3	Arthur E. Rowley .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Arthur E. Rowley.

\* First peal in the method 'inside.'

In memoriam William E. Clayfield, ringing master at this tower for many years.

### THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

BRIGHTWELL-CUM-SOTWELL, Berks.—At the Church of St. Agatha.

On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 25 lb. in G.

*Sue M. Heyworth .. .. Treble	Roger M. Heyworth .. .. 4
*Roger S. Coe .. .. 2	Geoffrey K. Cook .. .. 5
Angela M. Ayres .. .. 3	P. Gerald McIlhone .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Angela M. Ayres.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.' First of Minor as conductor.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. F. V. Heyworth, organist and choirmaster of the church.

### THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

ELSTON, Notts.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., Sept. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 ALL SAINTS' DOUBLES

Being 42 extents of 120 (four callings).

Tenor 9 cwt. 20 lb.

*Hilary Renyard .. .. Treble	*Margaret E. Chilton .. .. 4
William L. Exton .. .. 2	*Maurice W. Harrison .. .. 5
*Ruth Blackshaw .. .. 3	F. William Midwinter .. .. Tenor

Conducted by William L. Exton.

\* First peal in the method.

In memoriam Mr. Philip Gilbert, churchwarden at this church, and his wife Anne, who died tragically in an accident on the Great North Road, near Grantham, on Saturday, September 5th, 1964.

### THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

WARBLETON, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being one Morris' 240 and 40 six-scores (ten callings).

Rosemary Earl .. .. Treble	Alan R. Baldock .. .. 4
E. Sybil M. Tonkin .. .. 2	George Beeny .. .. 5
*John L. Hill .. .. 3	Philip D. Pope .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Alan R. Baldock.

\* First peal.

Tenor 10 cwt. 9 lb. in A flat.

Rung for the wedding of Monica Dawn Lucas, a member of the Warbleton band, and Michael John Richardson, which took place here this day.

### THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

WINTERSLOW, Wiltshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sun., Sept. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In five methods/variations, being two extents of Dedworth Bob and six extents each of St. Helen's, Longparish and Newborough and 22 extents of Grandsire in ten callings.

Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.

Reginald F. Crook .. .. Treble	*Frank S. Tonge .. .. 4
Geoffrey K. Dodd .. .. 2	*Christopher H. Smith .. .. 5
*Penelope A. Goddard .. .. 3	*John W. Cheney .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

\* First in five methods/variations.

SYDMONTON, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Wed., Sept. 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Seven different extents.

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb.

Bradley Murdock .. .. Treble	Denby P. Murdock .. .. 4
John Pares .. .. 2	Geoffrey K. Dodd .. .. 5
Philip Murdock .. .. 3	Reginald F. Crook .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

## HANDBELL PEAL

### MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

HARROW, Middlesex.—At 170, Headstone Lane.

On Tues., Sept. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 17 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5088 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In seven methods, comprising 864 of Cambridge, 800 of Lincolnshire, 768 of Painswick, 736 of Superlative, 672 each of Pudsey and Yorkshire, and 576 of Aldenham, with 129 changes of method. All the bells do all the work of each method.

Tenor size 15 in C.

S. Kathleen M. Baldwin 1—2	John R. Mayne (cond.) .. 5—6
Christopher W. Woolley .. 3—4	Roger Baldwin .. .. 7—8

Composed by Edwin A. Barnett.

Umpire: John B. Woolley.



## HALF PEAL

**TICHMARSH, NORTHANTS.**—On September 12th. 2,528 Plain Bob Major: Jean Marlow 1, Sheila Staley 2, A. Sellers 3, J. G. Mitchell 4, F. E. Coales 5, A. D. Sansome 6, G. E. Watson 7, M. A. Coleman (cond.) 8.

## DATE TOUCH

**DITCHEAT, SOMERSET.**—On September 5th. 1,964 Stedman Triples (by J. Topp): A. P. Beck 1, E. C. Wadman 2, F. Savage 3, H. D. McKay 4, V. G. Savage 5, R. E. Beck 6, R. G. Beck (cond.) D. Targett 8.

**ABBOTSBURY, DORSET.**—On August 30th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): J. H. Wood 1, J. H. Hayne 2, N. J. Hayne 3, J. L. Glyde 4, H. J. Ford (cond.) 5, D. J. Wood 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of the seventh Earl of Ilchester, interred at Melbury, August 25th.

**ALDRINGTON, SUSSEX.**—On July 6th, 1,260 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob Doubles: Wendy Morris 1, Ann Sharpe 2, Margaret Fisher 3, Stella Rice 4, Valerie Mepham (cond.) 5, D. Hibbert 6. Rung to celebrate the coming-of-age of ringer of second and to congratulate ringers of treble and third on their G.C.E. successes.

**ALFRISTON, SUSSEX.**—On September 3rd, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: A. Jackson 1, Rosemary Earl (first in method) 2, Janet Percy 3, Christine Fuller (first in method) 4, A. Baldock (cond.) 5, I. Smith 6. Rung for the 21st birthday of the conductor.

**APPLETON, BERKS.**—On September 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Mitty (first quarter) 1, H. C. White 2, F. Messenger 3, B. R. White 4, N. Leslie 5, D. Leslie (first as cond.) 6, F. A. White 7, H. White 8.

**ASH, SURREY.**—On August 30th, 1,260 Minor (Kent Treble Bob, Plain Bob): Miss S. O. Brown 1, Miss J. Reynier 2, Mrs. A. J. Smart 3, J. Collier 4, S. T. Russell 5, P. G. Smart (cond.) 6. First in two methods 1 and 2. For Evensong.

**ASTON, HERTS.**—On September 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. A. Critchley 1, P. Crane 2, B. J. Harris (cond.) 3, F. J. Robinson 4, G. W. Critchley 5, L. Izard (first quarter) 6. Rung as a compliment to Miss Ockenden (churchwarden) on her receiving the B.E.M.

**BARTON ST. DAVID, SOMERSET.**—On Aug. 30th, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): T. Harris 1, Miss J. Crocker 2, F. J. White (cond.) 3, Mrs. L. Crocker 4, R. Parker 5, W. Prescott 6. For Morning Prayer.

**BATH, SOMERSET.**—At St. Michael with St. Paul's, on September 6th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss C. Mitchell (first quarter) 1, D. C. Hawkins (first 'inside') 2, R. J. Purnell 3, S. A. Read 4, G. J. Hawkins (cond.) 5, J. G. Hobbs 6.

**BINFIELD, BERKS.**—On September 12th, 1,260 Minor (Kent and Plain Bob): Joan A. Rance 1, C. W. Bailey 2, A. J. N. Rance 3, G. C. I. Morrell 4, W. R. Churchill 5, S. G. Scott (cond.) 6. For the wedding this day of Miss Joan Cooper and Mr. Colin Day.

**CHIPPING NORTON, OXON.**—On August 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Francis 1, J. Keyte 2, S. Faulker 3, J. Harris 4, J. Benfield 5, E. Townsend 6, R. Jarvis (cond.) 7, C. Tomkins 8. Rung to celebrate the 74th birthday to the second ringer; also in recognition of his 42 years as secretary of the Chipping Norton Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, upon resignation.

**EASTCHURCH, KENT.**—On August 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: H. Gardner 1, Miss J. Hayward 2, Miss M. J. Foster 3, J. Mason 4, H. Hayward 5, P. Wilkinson 6. For Evensong. Also on September 13th, 1,260 Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles: H. Hayward 1, Miss J. Hayward 2, —, Rayfield 3, J. Mason 4, H. Gardener 5, P. Wilkinson 6. For Evensong.

## QUARTER PEALS

**EDMONTON, MIDDLESEX.**—On September 6th, 1,296 Little Bob Major: Jacqueline Hedges 1, Sheila Moore 2, W. A. Theobald 3, Teresa Langdon 4, H. Howson 5, M. W. Coleman 6, D. H. L. Langdon 7, T. N. J. Bailey (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**ELSTOW, BEDS.**—On September 13th, 1,272 Minor (522 Oxford T.B.): 720 Single Oxford: G. Seth 1, Miss M. F. Pettitt 2, Miss K. A. Rivett 3, R. F. Law 4, R. H. French 5, M. J. Marriott (cond.) 6. Rung for Evensong.

**ELTHAM, KENT.**—On September 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss M. Lawrence 1, J. Sims 2, K. Small 3, P. Clarke (first in method) 4, G. Clarke (first in method as cond.) 5, F. Hurrell 6.

**FARINGDON, BERKSHIRE.**—On September 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (4, 6, 8 covering): A. C. Carter 1, J. Strawford 2, C. Timms (first 'inside') 3, F. C. Orrier 4, C. R. Miles 5, J. Moore 6, C. J. J. Pearce (cond.) 7, D. Vincent 8. A compliment to sister of the 5th on the marriage of his daughter June Elizabeth to Pilot Officer P. Reddy.

**FINCHLEY, MIDDLESEX.**—On September 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Taylor (first on treble) 1, Miss D. Robotham (first 'inside') 2, A. Richardson 3, L. Tubb 4, A. Warren 5, B. Watts 6, B. Willis (cond.) 7, J. Beestonstone (first quarter) 8. For Evensong.

**FINEDON, NORTHANTS.**—On September 10th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: J. Worley 1, Mary R. Bloxam 2, E. J. Chapman 3, C. Richardson 4, R. J. Cowley 5, E. C. Buckley 6, D. Pearson 7, M. A. Coleman (cond.) 8. First of Major 1, 5, and 6.

**GOODNESTONE, KENT.**—On September 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Keith A. Davis (first quarter) 1, P. A. Harrison 2, A. Ruth T. Davis (first of Grandsire) 3, M. E. Harrison 4, R. C. Button (first as cond.) 5, R. H. Glover 6. A farewell to M. E. Harrison, leaving for college.

**IRNHAM, Lincs.**—1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: G. Colborne (first quarter) 1, C. F. Baxter 2, D. J. Hopkinson (first of Doubles) 3, J. R. Holmes 4, D. R. Baxter (cond.) 5. Rung half-muffled in memory of Canon H. S. Goodrich, Rector for 27 years.

**KIDDERMINSTER, WORCS.**—On September 9th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: R. W. Skinner 1, K. Salter 2, P. Catte-mole 3, J. C. Eisel 4, M. J. Fellows (cond.) 5, A. D. Cook 6, M. D. Fellows 7, A. D. Fellows 8. A farewell to Raymond Skinner, who is leaving Kidderminster for Canada.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes', Strand, on September 13th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: A. R. Millidge 1, Rosamund M. Rawlings 2, R. J. Cooles 3, Deborah Hopkins 4, N. R. Waite 5, A. Bagworth 6, C. C. Clarke 7, A. Bishop (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**LUPPITT, DEVON.**—On August 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Susan Davey (first quarter) 1, A. Crabb 2, T. J. Thorne 3, E. W. Broom (cond.) 4, H. Sage 5, T. E. Thorne 6. Also on August 29th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: H. Sage 1, J. Sage 2, Mrs. G. E. Retter 3, E. Broom 4, G. E. Retter (cond.) 5, W. Broom 6. Also on August 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. W. Broom 1, T. J. Thorne 2, P. Thorne (first 'inside') 3, F. Sage (cond.) 4, L. Harker 5, W. E. Brown 6.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On September 13th, 1,260 Old Doubles: A. Neilson 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, R. P. Brotherton 3, H. P. Yates 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, R. Gemmel 6. First in method for all. For Evensong.

**MARSTON, OXFORD.**—On August 30th, at the Church of St. Nicholas, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Smith 1, L. Porter 2, N. D. Deam 3, G. Porter 4, A. Gammon (cond.) 5. A welcome to the Vicar, Rev. P. N. Rimmer, back from holiday.

**NEWTON-NOTTAGE, GLAM.**—On September 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Rev. D. Ford 1, C. Davies 2, A. Hannington 3, D. Everett 4, T. M. Roderick (cond.) 5, M. Thomas (first quarter) 6. For Evensong on the Feast of Dedication.

**NEWCASTLE, STAFFS.**—On August 22nd, at St. Giles' Church, 1,120 Kent T.B. Major: S. Kyles 1, G. Beech 2, P. Mills 3, D. Pillstowe 4, L. Walley 5, R. Ballard 6, A. Thomson 7, G. A. Moore (cond.) 8. For the wedding of Neil Tomlinson and Elizabeth Robbins. Also on September 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Major: Pat Mills 1, Leslie Kenston 2, Mandy M. Carlton 3, Barbara Dale 4, D. Midgeley 5, R. Ballard 6, A. Thomson 7, G. A. Moore (cond.) 8. for the wedding of Malcolm Millicham and Ann Coomer.

**OXFORD.**—At St. Thomas' Church, on September 13th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Janet E. Farrow (first quarter attempt) 1, L. Porter 2, Marilyn F. Bird 3, N. D. Deam 4, R. H. Jones (cond.) 5, T. C. Winter (first quarter attempt) 6. Also 1,260 Doubles (three methods): June M. Todd (first quarter attempt) 1, R. H. Jones 2, Marilyn F. Bird 3, G. Porter 4, N. D. Deam (cond.) 5, T. C. Winter 6.

**PENYFAL, BRIDGEND, GLAM.**—On September 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: T. E. Hiddins 1, D. R. L. Jones 2, W. T. Petty (cond.) 3, H. Preece 4, D. W. Davies 5.

**PRESTEIGNE, RADs.**—On September 13th, 1,260 Doubles (12 methods): E. Smith 1, Mrs. M. J. Hope 2, L. H. Hatfield 3, J. W. Hope (cond.) 4, C. A. Lewis 5, H. F. Hatfield 6. For Evensong and dedication of gifts to the church: also a farewell to Sgt. Slec and family.

**PRITTELEWELL, ESSEX.**—On September 6th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: D. Sloman (first of Major) 1, Mrs. J. Sadler 2, Miss R. Carr 3, B. Sadler 4, J. Belcham 5, P. Sadler 6, M. Hallett 7, P. Sloman (first as cond.) 8. Rung after Evensong to welcome back the Vicar after a long illness; also as a welcome to the new curate, Rev. A. McCombe.

**RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.**—On September 6, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: R. Tomlin 1, T. Jones 2, Ruth Carr 3, F. May 4, D. Belcham 5, G. Sandwell 6, M. Hallett 7, A. House (cond.) 8. First in the method by 3. A wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. G. Sandwell. Rung for Evensong.

**REIGATE.**—On September 5th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: G. Charlton 1, A. Streeter 2, J. W. Chapman 3, G. Oliver 4, A. J. Bull 5, A. T. Shelton 6, K. Game (cond.) 7, W. H. Inwood 8, J. W. Euston 9, Joan Hanning 10. A welcome to Allison Jane, born on August 29th, daughter of Alan and Freda Streeter.

**ST. BEES, CUMBERLAND.**—On Sunday, September 6th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: C. F. Gates 1, A. Eilbeck 2, J. H. McTear 3, J. A. Haile 4, G. Tembey 5, H. Wilson 6, R. Trebilcock (cond.) 7, S. Richardson 8. Rung for Evensong.

**SHEPTON MALLET, SOMERSET.**—On July 4th, 1,280 London Surprise Major: Elizabeth Bowden 1, Patricia Diserens 2, Jennifer Taylor 3, D. C. Exell (cond.) 4, J. R. Taylor 5, R. F. Diserens 6, R. J. Bowden 7, R. G. Edwards 8.

**WARNHAM, SUSSEX.**—On September 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: I. Gocher 1, D. M. Mullins 2, M. Turner 3, I. Davey 4, G. Francis 5, J. Norris D. D. Smith (cond.) 7, A. Southwood 8.

**WEDNESBURY, STAFFS.**—On August 30th, at St. Bartholomew's Church, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss C. Turner 1, P. J. Bryan 2, A. Hingley 3, R. Staite 4, M. Cadwallader 5, B. Morton 6, M. Turner (cond.) 7, J. Hingley 8. First in the method for 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6. A birthday compliment to ringers of 5 and 6.

**WEST DEEPING, Lincs.**—On August 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. M. Towell 1, C. Black 2, V. Chamberlain 3, J. W. Haw 4, P. A. Knight 5, J. H. Bluff (cond.) 6. First quarter 1 and 5. Rung for a United Churches Social Evening, for Christian aid for refugees.

**WEST WICKHAM, KENT.**—On September 13th, 1,440 Surprise Minor (York and Ipswich): W. A. Hollamby 1, Mary Taylor 2, L. W. G. Skinner 3, R. G. Crosland 4, A. S. Richards (cond.) 5, J. D. Faircloth 6.

**WISTASTON, CHESHIRE.**—On September 5th, 1,260 Minor (Plain Bob and Oxford Bob): Miss E. F. Basford 1, F. S. Sutton 2, H. Sutton 3, G. Parsons 4, F. R. Morton (cond.) 5, Miss A. D. Edwards 6.

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**HUNT—HUSSEY.**—The engagement is announced between David John, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. J. Hunt, and Gillian Mary, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Hussey, both of Bristol. 5417

### DEATH

**ATKINS.**—On September 16th, 1964, Edward Maurice Atkins, M.A., Rock Cottage, Woodland Avenue, Teignmouth, Devon. Aged 74. 5407

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

**MASON.**—The address of Arthur G. Mason is now 21, Fairbank Avenue, Crofton Road Estate, Orpington, Kent. Phone Farnborough 56525. (Correction.) 5375

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**NAILSEA.**—The practice meeting for Tuesday, September 29th, has been postponed until Wednesday, September 30th, owing to the Harvest supper.—D. Strong. 5408

### MEETINGS

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Axbridge Branch.—Practice meeting at Badgeworth (5) and Biddisham (4) on Saturday, September 26th, at 5 p.m.—M. Legg, Hon. Sec. 5411

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Derby District.—Meeting at Belper (8). Saturday, September 26th. 3 p.m. Names for tea to A. Morley, 2 Laund Close, Belper. No name, no tea.—Mr. A. Willis, District Secretary. 5369

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Hunts District.—Meeting at Gamlingay, Saturday, September 26th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. All visitors will be very welcome.—Michael J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 5392

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Meeting at Kelvedon, on Saturday, September 26th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Elliott, 28, Easterford Road, Kelvedon. 5298

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—Quarterly meeting at Stoke-next-Guildford on September 26th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. W. Savill, 82, Woking Road, Guildford. 5314

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Bishop's Stortford District.—Meeting at Thorley on Saturday, September 26th. Bells 3 p.m., Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. followed by meeting. Names for tea to T. Camp, Sparrow's Nest, Thorley, Bishop's Stortford. The practice meeting at Braughing on the 26th is cancelled.—D. Kingston. 5388

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Branch striking competition will be held on Saturday, September 26th, at Hambledon. General ringing in the evening. All welcome.—Miss Hague. 5258

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wimborne Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Cranford, September 26th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Hambroston (6) from 7 p.m. Names for tea to Miss J. Fawcett, 125 Merley Way, Wimborne. 5357

**SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—Practice meeting at Chiddingfold (6) on September 26th. Bells 3 p.m., service 4.30, tea 5. Names for tea, please, to Mr. I. Smith, 37, Wellington Gardens, Battle. 5384

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.**—Andover District.—Quarterly meeting St. Mary Bourne, September 26th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 for those who notify Mr. F. Rich, St. Mary Bourne, Longparish and Hurstbourne Priors after tea. 5351

**BARNSELY DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Meeting at Elland, near Halifax, Saturday, October 3rd. Bells 2.30 n.m. Cups of tea provided. Please bring food.—J. W. Buxton. 5419

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bath Branch.—Meeting at Upper Weston (8) on Saturday, October 3rd. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 (will include the dedication of a Bible to the memory of S. S. Woodburn). Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. E. Potecary, 3, Lansdown Terrace, Upper Weston, Bath, by October 1st.—Alan Lee, Sec. 5424

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**CUMBERLAND & NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION.**—The half-yearly meeting of the Western Branch will be held at Egremont on Saturday, October 3rd. Bells available 2 p.m. Service 4. Tea 4.30. Meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. A. Eilbeck, 2 South Street, Egremont, before September 28th, please. No names no tea.—M. K. Dent, Branch Sec. 5418

**DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting at Newcastle on Saturday, October 3rd. Business meeting 4 p.m., service 5.15, both at Cathedral. Tea 6 at Bainbridge's. Ringing: Gosforth, 1.30-2.30; Fenham, 2-3; St. Stephen's, 2.30-3.30; Jesmond 7.30-9, and Cathedral, 7-9 p.m. Names for tea (approx. 6s.) by previous day to D. A. Bayles, 12, Crichton Avenue, Chester-le-Street. 5434

**GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.**—N.E. Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Silverton, on Saturday, October 3rd. Bells available from 5.45. Service 6.15 p.m. with business meeting after. 5362

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Quarterly meeting, October 3rd at Codicote. 3 p.m. Names for tea by September 30th to E. Buck, 13, The Rise, Baldock. 5415

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—Annual general meeting at Ashford, Saturday, October 3rd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Miss M. Jones, 30, Park Road, Ashford, by previous Wednesday. (Recordings of ringing at Washington Cathedral to be heard, by arrangement with Mr. H. Parks.)—C.T.H. 5366

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—Annual District meeting at Sevenoaks on Saturday, October 3rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Names for tea by Wednesday, September 30th, to Mr. W. H. Dobbie, 13, Baltic Road, Tonbridge. 5406

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Devon Branch.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Ottery St. Mary, Saturday, October 3rd. Bells (8) at 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Sidbury may be available in the evening. Names for tea to Mr. C. Turner, Hillcote, Ottery St. Mary, S. Devon Dis. Sec. 5428

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Lancaster Branch.—Annual meeting to be held at Heysham on Saturday, October 3rd. Bells (6) from 2 p.m. Names for tea to P. Handley, Heysham Hall, Milnthorpe, Westmorland—P. Handley, Branch Sec. 5420



**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Joint Blackburn and Preston Branch meeting on October 3rd at Blackburn Cathedral. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Business follows tea. Names for tea (moderate charge) to Mr. M. J. Halliwell, 11, Westminster Road, Darwen, by previous Wednesday.—J. Pilkington, L. Walmsley. 5412

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**—Leicester District.—Meeting October 3rd, Kirby Muxloe. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. in schoolroom. Names for tea by 30th September to Mr. Achurch, Water Dept. House, Glenfield Road, Kirby Muxloe, Leics.—A. J. Poynor. 5430

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**—Eastern Branch.—Meeting at Tattershall, Saturday, October 3rd Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Make own arrangements for tea.—P. J. Kilner, Hon. Sec., 167, Eastwood Road, Boston, Lincs. 5380

**NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting at Dilhorne (6) on Saturday, October 3rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, September 30th, to Mr. J. King, School House, Dilhorne, Stoke-on-Trent.—G. C. Beech. 5429

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The autumn general meeting will be held at Winslow, Bucks, on Saturday, October 3rd. 2.30 p.m. Business meeting in the Winslow Public Hall 4.15 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Service in the Parish Church. Names for tea (3s. 3d. per head), together with remittance, should be sent before Monday, September 28th, to Miss D. J. Pollard, 49, Foxborough Road, Radley, Abingdon, Berks.—M. R. Cross, Hon. Gen. Sec. 5283

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**—Dorchester Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Wyke Regis on Saturday, October 3rd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea followed by meeting 5 p.m. Numbers for tea by Wednesday, September 30th to Mr. G. Abbott, 36, Williams Avenue, Wyke Regis, Weymouth, Dorset.—R. H. Duke, Hon. Sec. 5374

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**—Devizes Branch.—Quarterly meeting October 3rd Holy Trinity (8) Bradford-on-Avon. Usual arrangements. Names for tea to Mr. A. Knight, 6, Southwick Road, North Bradley, Trowbridge. 5426

**SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Monthly meeting Eastrington. Saturday October 3rd. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea (4s. each) 5. Names to Mrs. J. Bradshaw, High Street, Eastrington. Goole, on or before September 29th.—L. M. Woodhead, Hon. Sec. 5404

**SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Meeting at Rawmarsh, Saturday, October 3rd. Bells from 4 p.m.: Wentworth bells also available 2.30 till 3.45. Names for tea please to Mr. G. W. Pilkington, 5, Arthur Place, Rawmarsh, near Rotherham.—J. Seager, Sec. 5416

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**—Nottingham District.—Meeting Saturday, October 3rd. Nottingham St. Mary (10) from 2.30 p.m.: St. Peter's (10) 6 p.m. Own tea arrangements.—S. Adams. 5427

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (Northern Division) and **SURREY ASSOCIATION** (Southern Division).—Joint meeting at Worth (6), on Saturday, October 3rd. Bells available from 5.39 p.m. No arrangements for tea. Special method Double Court Minor.—E. L. Hairs and G. A. West, Hon. Div. Secs. 5396

**SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD**—Central District.—Meeting St. David's, Llanfaes, on October 3rd. Bells at 2.30: service at 4: tea (2/6 each) and meeting to follow. Names for tea before October 1st to M. R. Thomas, 7, Wheat Street, Brecon—M.R.T. 5389

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Quarterly general meeting at Clowne on October 10th (please note change of date). Bells available: Barlborough (6) 2.30-4: Clowne (6) 3.30-4.30 and 6-7.30: Creswell (8) 7-9. Service at Clowne 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea, please, by Wednesday, October 7th, to Mr. G. Hunt, 9, East Street, Clowne, Chesterfield.—B. P. Morris, Gen. Sec. 5433

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.W. District.—Quarterly meeting at Thorpe Bay, October 10th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Prittlewell (10) from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to M. Mawbey, Rosecrac, Barling Road, Great Wakering. 5376

**GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS**—East Devon Branch.—A meeting will be held on Saturday, October 10th, at Stockland. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Numbers for tea by October 7th to Mr. C. Joyce, Waverley, Stockland, Honiton.—W. Webb, Sec. 5355

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD** (North Notts District) and **LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD** (West Lindsey Branch).—Joint meeting at North Wheatley (6), Saturday, October 10th. Service at 4.15. Names for tea by 6th Mr. J. P. Wright, Eastfield, North Wheatley, Retford.—H. Denman and G. A. Lunn. 5424

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Snowdon Dinner, York, Saturday, October 10th. Tickets 17s. Application with names to Miss Wilkinson, 10, St. Oswald's Road, York, before October 7th. Ringing: Escrick (8) 11 to 1: Huntingdon (6) 2 to 3.30: Acomb (6) 1.30 to 3.30: Minster (12) 2.30 to 3.55 and 4.45 to 5.45: Inst. of Architectural Study (6) 2.30 to 3.30 and 5 to 6. Evensong in the Minster at 4. 5422

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5282

**UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.**—General meeting at St. Olave's, Hart Street, vestry on October 17th. Names for tea to Hon. Sec., Miss Y. Edwards, 31, Hill Street, Netherton, Dudley, Birmingham, who will also supply ringing arrangements. First practice of term at 6.30 p.m. on October 8th at St. Olave's. Nearest tube—Tower Hill. Turn right and right again, up Seething Lane. Freshers very welcome.—R. O. Humphries. 5402

#### ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

The 327th anniversary dinner will be held at the Bridge House Restaurant, London Bridge, S.E.1. on Saturday, October 31st, at 6 for 6.30 p.m.

Tickets (27s. 6d.) are now available and since accommodation is limited, members are recommended to make early application therefor.—John Chilcott, Hon. Sec., 14, The Glebe, Hawley, near Camberley, Surrey. 5371

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—The eleventh annual dinner will be held in the Saracen's Head Hotel, Chelmsford, on Saturday, October 31st, 6.15 for 6.45 p.m. Tickets (limited number only) 17s. 6d., obtainable from: P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury, S.A.E. please not later than Saturday, October 24th.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**—Preliminary Notice.—The festival and general meeting, Sherborne, Saturday, May 8th, 1965. The annual committee meeting, Salisbury, February 6th, 1965.—W. C. West, Gen. Sec. 5410

**WOOTTON, BEDS.**—On September 9th, 1.320 Plain Bob Minor: G. Seth 1, Miss M. F. Pettitt 2, Miss S. M. Law 3, S. J. Wooler (first as cond.) 4, R. H. French 5, R. F. Law 6. A welcome to the Rev. A. J. Smith and family before his Induction Service.

#### EXTRACTS FROM 'CHURCH BELLS'—By Claude Rush

MISSENDEN, BUCKS.

April 1881.—Two new trebles with new fittings in new cage by Warners.

BROMBOROUGH, CHESHIRE

Easter Monday, 1881.—New ring of 8 by Taylors opened. Tenor 24 cwt. in E. 7,000 changes rung during the day.

TESTIMONIAL TO HENRY HUBBARD

Meeting of Yorkshire Association at Bingley 23rd April, 1881. The urgent necessity of making public recognition of the services of Mr. Hubbard to the art and science of bell-ringing, was brought up. 'He has, for many years, been quite incapacitated from work and is now a confirmed invalid, suffering from asthma and totally dependent on others for support. He is now in his 74th year.' Jasper W. Snowdon undertook to call a meeting of Hubbard's Leeds friends for help. Assistance from anyone was welcomed.

By 24th April (the next day!) the committee were able to make Mr. Hubbard an allowance of 5s. a week—the balance being put in the Post Office Savings Bank. Mr. Troyte gave £5. However, Hubbard died at Hunslet, Leeds, Sunday, 9th October, 1881. He was born in Norwich but had lived in Leeds since 1856. He was buried at Woodhouse Hill Cemetery, Hunslet, 12th October. Grandsire Caters was rung over the grave and there were muffled touches on the bells of St. Mary's Church.

By 29th October, 1881 £21 had been subscribed towards his testimonial. The committee undertook his funeral expenses and it was hoped that enough would still be in hand to erect a plain and simple headstone to his memory. He had agreed to this.

SAWBRIDGEWORTH, HERTS.

Easter Monday, 1881.—Anniversary of reopening of the bells. 'The bell-warden, Mr. Geo. Rochester, with great liberality entertained the party, about 40, at dinner.'

NOTE BY THE EDITOR:—

'A vicar asks if he has the right to forbid the use of the bells, to which we reply that a parson cannot legally order bells to be rung on any occasion without the consent of one churchwarden, but he has a veto in every case. If, as in his case, the ringers do not attend the services of the church, the more their shame and the more the parson's duty to teach them better. The custody of the key of the tower belongs to him and not the churchwardens. A few years ago a churchwarden in Somerset got himself into woeful trouble by admitting ringers to the belfry without the consent of the parson.'

ST. MARY-LE-GILL, BARNOLDSWICK, YORKS.

Sunday, 1st May, 1881.—Bells rung for first time after rehanging, having been silent for two years. Hung by Mr. Mallaby of Masham in new oak frame, bells quarter-turned, new tower floors.

ST. PAUL'S, RAMSBOTTOM, LANCs

30th April, 1881.—Dedication of new ring of 8. Owing to the tower and spire being very lightly built, the weight of the ring was limited to 42½ cwt. Tenor 36 ins. dia., 9½ cwt. in A. The cage is in 2 tiers, with the 6 heavy bells at the bottom. Size of tower inside 10 ft. sq. Ellacombe hammers fitted. 'The whole of the work had been executed by Messrs. Llewellyn and James of Bristol, bellfounders, acting under the superintendence of Messrs. Jasper and W. Snowdon, consulting mechanical engineers, of Leeds.'

(To be continued)

#### LATE NOTICES

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Management Committee, October 3rd. Change of meeting place, now at St. John's Church, Northgate Street, Gloucester. Opposite Bon Marche. Members of committee please note and inform others who do not see 'R.W.'—Charles Rouse. 5436

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—North West District.—Annual general meeting at Barrow (5), Saturday, October 10th. Bells 2.30 to 9 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Meeting follows. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. G. E. Rawlings, Dale Tree Cottage, Barrow, Bury St. Edmunds, by Wednesday, October 7th.—A. F. Ballam, Dis. Sec. 5438



**QUARTER PEALS**

**SILSOE, BEDS.**—On Aug. 16th. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. G. Harris (age 13, first of Minor) 1, I. Bell (11 yrs. first 'inside') 2, T. R. Harris (14 yrs.) 3, P. J. Lawton 4, W. F. Eyden 5, T. P. Harris (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**STORRINGTON, SUSSEX.**—On August 25th. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: L. Stilwell 1, Jean Horton 2, J. Taylor (first in method) 3, M. Davies 4, B. W. Farhall 5, E. R. Rapley (cond.) 6. Also on September 15th. 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: C. Woods 1, Jean Horton 2, J. Taylor 3, M. Davies (cond.) 4, F. Brooks 5, J. Maple 6. For the silver wedding of the Rector and Mrs. Mackenzie.

**SWINDON, WILTS.**—On September 6th. at Christ Church. 1,259 Grandsire Caters: M. Scowen 1, Miss J. Davidge 2, W. W. T. Daniell 3, Miss S. Little 4, M. Penney 5, Dr. C. G. Roworth 6, G. Wheeler 7, A. G. Wells 8, E. Sutton (cond.) 9, P. Minchin 10. Rung as a farewell to Rev. and Mrs. P. Tanton and Bridget who are returning to New Zealand, and to Peter Little, who is emigrating with them.

**WESTON UNDERWOOD, BUCKS.**—On August 8th. 1,260 Minor (Cambridge and Plain Bob): R. Warren 1, D. Taylor 2, G. W. Holland 3, V. Adams 4, B. Eglesfield 5, W. A. Yates (cond.) 6. For the patronal festival, also to commemorate the rehanging of the bells by A. Boswell of Ipswich, 50 years ago.

**YORKTOWN, SURREY.**—On September 12th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss G. Lias 1, F. Farr 2, R. Bath (cond.) 3, Miss G. Marshall 4, M. Church 5, L. Boyle 6. For wedding this day at St. Laurence's, Catford, of the Rev. J. Cook to Miss Daphne Rees-Pryce. A team was sent to St. Laurence's, Catford, which has no bells, with handbells and they rang a touch as the bride entered the church and again as the couple left after the service. The ringers were Miss G. Marshall, R. Clist and M. Church.

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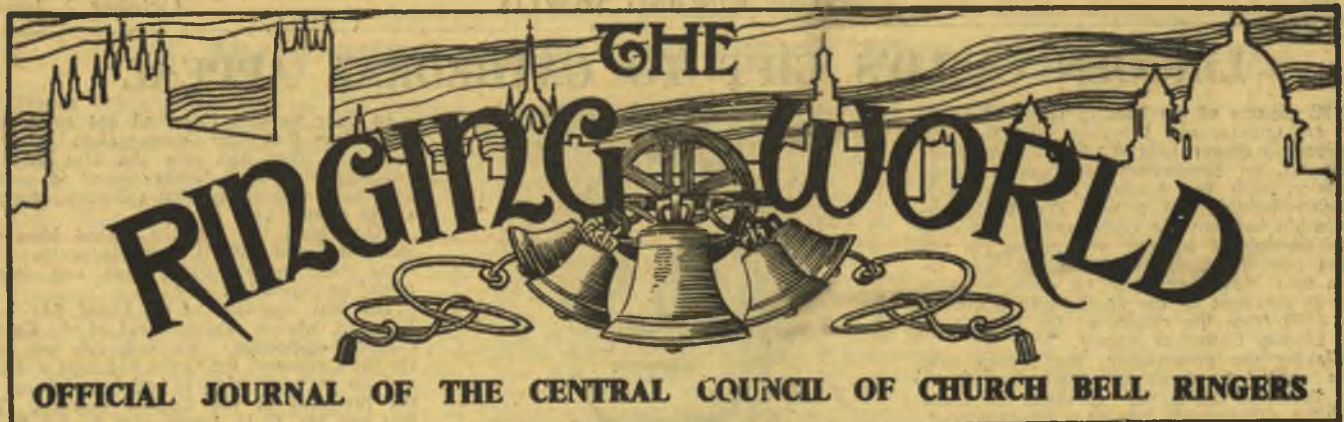
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## BELL RINGING AS A SPORT

By WILFRID G. WILSON

ON the very day that Mr. Meadows' letter appeared ('R.W.' Sept. 4th) commenting on Bishop Frodsham's remark that 'bell ringing was a sport,' I had been scanning pages of the 'R.W.' for 1942 and realising once again how interesting those war-time issues were, in spite of the ban, and mainly because of the amazing knowledge, industry and capabilities of the late J. A. Trollope.

By one of those coincidences that seem to happen much more frequently than by coincidence, I had been particularly interested in reading correspondence on this very subject of sport. It started (Sept. 18th, 1942) with a seemingly innocuous little letter from Mr. E. W. Marsh, of Plymouth, who asked 'Does the ringing Exercise look upon their calling as a sport or work for the Church?' This of course gave a perfect lead for our late Editor, who had to produce a weekly journal with practically no ringing news. His leader on September 25th was based on this question. Mr. Trollope, as many well know, had the habit of making extremely provocative statements (some would call them outrageous, but they were the result of long experience and deep thought) in a way that would make other people think and would inspire them to write letters to the Editor, often disagreeing with him violently. One recalls the statement which was slipped, almost parenthetically, into a front page article early in the war, that 'the tenor was the only bell worth ringing to Stedman.'

Mr. Trollope wrote: 'When we study the history of the art of change ringing there cannot be the slightest doubt that it began as a purely secular sport and remained for centuries as a secular sport. Nor is there any question that it can be, and is, a first class and most fascinating sport . . . this will hardly be denied by anyone though some may shy at the use of the actual word "sport." When we turn to those men who form the body of the Exercise . . . we shall find that they look upon change ringing just in the same way that a golfer looks upon golf or a cricketer looks upon cricket . . . A peal rung at Quex Park . . . is in no wise different from a peal rung in a parish church, nor is a handbell peal rung in a tavern different in character from a peal rung on bells that have been dedicated to the service of religion. Thus the answer to half of Mr. Marsh's question is that the Exercise does and always has looked on ringing as a sport.'

'By his use of the word "or" Mr. Marsh seems to suggest that if ringing is a sport it cannot be work for the Church. It must be one or the other . . . Perhaps we can . . . put his question in another way. Which should be the dominating motive in a ringer—love of ringing as a sport, or the desire to serve the Church? Which should come first, sport or Church work?

'When we put the question like this it raises issues which most profoundly affect a man's life and character . . . there are, we feel certain, many ringers who find in the wish to serve the Church a sufficient incentive to practise the art, but of the great majority we say definitely, and with a full sense of responsibility for what we are saying, that it is natural and right that ringing as a sport should come before ringing as Church work.'

'This may seem to some a hard saying . . . However . . . that which comes first and is most in evidence is not necessarily that which in the long run is the most important. Between change ringing as a sport and change ringing as Church work there is no antagonism and the man who follows it mainly for the sake of the one can quite easily better serve the other.'

As it was meant to do, this leader brought forth mixed opinions from readers and Mr. Trollope returned to the subject in his leader for October 16th, which I consider is equally well worth quoting at length.

'The first great truth is this. The bells in our steeples are there to minister to the glory of God and the service of His Church. No use of them can be justified which does not ultimately serve these ends.'

'The second great truth is that change ringing is a sport; a first class and most fascinating sport . . . was invented as a sport, has lived through the centuries as a sport and, except as a sport, has no chance of survival. Any reader who prefers it can substitute the word "recreation" . . . but it is better to use the term which expresses the reality in the directest and starkest manner.'

'The third truth is that the furtherance of the glory of God and the service of the Church will best be served by ringers continuing to do what as a body they always have done—treating and enjoying change ringing as a sport.'

'This is not a contradiction, nor a paradox, nor the sacrificing of higher ideals to lower. It is an expression of a profound and important truth. It is one of the conditions under which God gives gifts to men, that the gift must be loved and followed for its own sake, before it can be made worthy to be used in His service. The musician . . . who would add to the beauty of divine worship, must first love music for the sake of the music and enjoy its practice for itself. Nor must he ever lose the love of music for the sake of music. What would a choir-master think of the man who came to him and said "I have no interest in music as music, but I do wish to serve the Church and am quite willing to come and sing in your choir." Yet this we are told . . . is the way the great majority of ringers look on their ringing. We do not believe it. If it ever became the general opinion, the result would be a plentiful supply of prigs and a great dearth of good ringers.'

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## LINCOLN GUILD'S GIFT TO CATHEDRAL APPEAL

THE dinners of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild are quinquennial functions, and the 65th anniversary dinner, held at Moor Lodge Hotel, Branston, on September 19th, was a happy function with the Master, Mr. Jack Bray, adroitly holding the reins. The happy relationship between the Guild and the Diocese was exemplified by the presentation to the Dean (the Rt. Rev. Colin Dunlop), who retires next November after 17 years in office and is president of the Guild, with a cheque for £100 from the ringers of the Diocese to the Lincoln Cathedral Appeal.

Making the presentation, the Master said they wanted to thank the Dean for all he had done for the Guild. In reply, the Dean said the gift came to him as a great surprise. The fund for the Cathedral now stood at over £216,000. Thanking the ringers, the Dean said: 'Since I have been in contact with the Cathedral bellringers there has never been anything remotely resembling a difficulty; all that has been done has been done in mutual respect and love.'

After the loyal toast, Mr. E. T. Chapman, of Spalding proposed 'The Diocese of Lincoln.' A Suffolk man, Mr. Chapman, with only five years' residence in Lincolnshire, submitted that he was not qualified to propose the toast. What impressed him was the loyalty to the Diocese and how in South Lincolnshire little country churches were raising magnificent sums towards the Cathedral Appeal.

The Bishop of Lincoln (the Rt. Rev. Kenneth Riches) in his reply spoke of the ancient custom of the ringers greeting the Bishop when he came home from afar by ringing the bells of the Minster. One could not fail to feel humiliated when they rang out their welcome; but he felt deeply grateful to the ringers.

Dr. Riches came to Lincoln from Suffolk and he maintained, with the country in danger of becoming overcrowded, that these two counties were the last two where men could live in freedom. The beauty of the countryside of Lincolnshire was the beauty of a good economy. There was a beauty of its own as they drove over the Wolds; he also loved the beauty of the Fens, where man had worked with nature to level out its resources.

### ELECTRONICS

The Bishop implored the company never to have any part in that thing called broadcast bells. He went to a church in Oxford to preach and when he arrived the bells beating down made a ghastly noise. He was met by two churchwardens who told him that they had just introduced electronic bells. 'Will none of you ever give a penny for electronic bells,' he said. 'I would rather hear a church with one bell than this hated noise.'

Speaking of the Cathedral Appeal, Dr. Riches said in the first year of the appeal ending on May 7th they had raised £200,000. It was a tremendous testimony to the affection with which Lincoln Cathedral was held. On one occasion he went to a little pub in the Wolds because they wanted him to receive personally £20 for the appeal. There was a confidence throughout the diocese and the county that this greatest monument of Gothic architecture in Europe should remain.

It was important for the soul of the country that the bells should ring out. Sometimes people might not hear them but nevertheless they were there. There were times in human life when the ringing of a bell was the one thing that reminded them that life had not ended but was only just beginning.

### SURVIVOR

The Master said they had only one surviving member of the foundation year, Mr. J. B. Hallifax, of Fleet, near Spalding, who was 90. At the last Guild dinner there were two members present who joined in the foundation year. Mr. Hallifax then said that that would be his last dinner. They were delighted to have him with them and they hoped to see him in five years' time if they were spared. (Applause.)

Canon Gilbert Thurlow, president of the Central Council, proposed the toast of 'The Lincoln Diocesan Guild of Church Bell



MR. JACK BRAY,  
former Secretary of the Guild, who succeeded the late Mr. J. A. Freeman as Master.

Ringers.' He recalled that his first ringing week was spent at Surfleet with Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Richardson, and what an enthusiast the Rev. Law James was. As a fledgling he was instructed to keep people out while the peal progressed and along came two charming gentlemen whom he kept out who happened to be churchwardens!

From their last annual report he learned that of 180 rings of bells in Lincolnshire only 13 were unringable. It would be most wonderful if the 13 silent parishes managed to desilence their bells. He congratulated Jack Millhouse on ringing 1,000 peals, also Messrs. Scott and Budd on ringing their first peal at 85 and Mr. Hallifax on still ringing.

As with the Christian Church so with ringing—one of the most important things was growth, and how delightful it was to read of the Rev. P. M. Freeman's work at the Bishop's hostel in interesting ordinands in the Exercise. They would not have the fate of the Vicar of Fitzpaine, who was cut in two, or repeat what a Vicar did on going into the belfry after a peal attempt had gone on three hours and five minutes to congratulate the band on the standard of ringing and make them lose the peal.

### GLAMOUR

They were living in an age of statistics, and he did not see anything in their report about young ringers and the number of new members. It might be a good thing in the annual report to welcome new members. He preached recently at St. Mary's, Southampton, and it was heartening to see the number of glamorous teenagers who had taken up ringing and getting on splendidly. It was a thrill to find out how much young life there was in ringing. They heard so much on television about theological professors trying to make out that Christianity was dead; the thing lost sight of was what the Church was doing—it was terrific.

There was a terrific spirit of unity at the conference at Nottingham and on the Vatican Council and many things of a like nature in the local situation for which they should thank God.

In their worship they had got away from the idea that the congregation was an audience; they had now the idea that the congregation was a family united in service, and that was precisely what a Diocesan Ringing Guild should be.

'God bless the Exercise. God bless this splendid Guild with its splendid centre; God bless these people living here and inspire them,' he concluded.

The hon. secretary of the Guild, Mr. John Freeman, who is vice-president of the Central Council, responded. He said this was only the third occasion the Guild had held a dinner and on each occasion it had been graced by the president of the Central Council. The first was Mr. E. H. Lewis, with his knowledge of towers and bell restoration, coupled with a quiet ability to control meetings; secondly Mr. Frederick Sharpe, with his sense of dignity and profound knowledge of bells and bell ringing; and now a worthy successor in Canon Gilbert Thurlow, with a sense of humour that would prevent them from taking themselves too seriously.

In reply to Canon Thurlow's observations about youth, Mr. Freeman said they were fully aware of the value of youth to the diocese. They in the diocese owed a debt to youth and, generally speaking, the standard had been raised, whereas in the past it was concentrated in various centres.

Mr. J. L. Millhouse, in proposing 'The Visitors,' said they were proud to have with them the president of the Central Council, Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Hairs, Frank and Gwen Bloomfield, Miss Lemare (who travelled 70 or 80 miles for an evening practice), their friends from the Southwell Guild and ringing's best ambassadors—Mr. and Mrs. George Pipe.

Replying, Mr. Pipe said he had the great privilege of taking part in a peal of Stedman Cinques on the beautiful bells at the Cathedral. He was in Australia for seven years representing his firm, Ransomes. While there he was approached by the representative of Ruston and Hornsby to see if they could do something together for Lincoln Cathedral Appeal. Together they raised £150. Of the Washington trip, he said they sent there the best they could; they were all first-class.

During an interval a recording of Washington Cathedral bells was played, and after the speeches coloured slides of the Washington trip were shown by Mr. John Freeman, who was one of the visitors.

### THE COMPANY

With the Master and Mrs. Bray sitting on the top table were the Bishop of Lincoln, the Dean, Canon A. G. G. Thurlow, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Pipe, Mr. and Mrs. J. Freeman, Mr. J. L. and Miss Millhouse, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Feirn, Mr. E. T. Chapman, Mrs. E. M. Freeman and Mrs. Richardson.

Also attending were Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Hairs, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Randles, Mr. and Mrs. J. Walden, Mr. and Mrs. L. Dickinson, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Raithby, Mr. and Mrs. H. Stephenson, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. M. Exton, Mr. and Mrs. G. Paul, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Heppenstall, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Blaikie, Mr. and Mrs. N. V. Hardine, Mr. and Mrs. H. Poyner, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Reed, the Rev. P. M. Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. F. Lord, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Bloomfield, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Moody, Mr. and Mrs. Finn.

Mesdames J. Wayman, L. Metham, E. Gray, the Misses J. Gurnhill, P. Turner, G. Burchnall, K. Burchnall, I. Lemare, A. Bateson, P. Bull, Messrs. P. Sharpe, S. A. Chambers, E. Cole, H. Gibson, Raithby, F. G. Vickers, F. W. Pinchbeck, W. R. Parker, H. Waltham, H. Judd, J. B. Hallifax, R. F. Smith, B. B. Tyrrell, L. Willdets, A. Gilbert, N. and R. Lord, G. I. A. Lunn and party, M. Crowder and party and T. W. White.

WOOD GREEN, N.—On August 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: W. Vince 1, Miss M. Varley (first 'inside') 2, W. Wainwright 3, Miss M. M. Moore 4, D. Whitaker 5, A. Spreadbury (cond.) 6. Rung for practice.



## 16 PEALS RUNG DURING TOM LOCK'S TOUR IN SOUTH-WEST

**TOM LOCK'S** peal tour, the 14th, returned South this year and commenced on August 29th, Somerset and Dorset being the counties chosen. Two peals were rung in the afternoon: Cambridge Major at Wincanton and Yorkshire Major at St. James', Taunton, where John Hunt registered his 300th. At the former, newcomer Margaret Bould, from Tavistock, rang her first peal of Surprise. At the latter, heavy traffic between Bristol and Taunton delayed Arthur Pearson, who arrived ten minutes after the start (Arthur H. Reed having stood in) and had to be content with listening to the peal from his car. Unfortunately, he had to return home immediately as he was off to Czechoslovakia on business three days later. The headquarters were at the George Hotel.

Sunday morning ringing took place at Staplegrave (a very pleasant six), on the outskirts of Taunton, and at St. James' and St. George's. A handbell peal of Plain Bob Major was rung in the belfry of St. James' in the afternoon. The rest enjoyed the sun in the delightful Vivary Park close to the hotel, where four, representing North and South, had a round of putting, the latter takes the 'ashes.' Members rang at St. James', St. George's and St. Mary's for Evensong.

For the next five days we had a coach at our disposal with a different driver and vehicle on all but one day. Monday dawned another beautiful sunny day and everyone seemed raring to go. Two cars were pressed into additional service and conveyed a band to Mark, where a good peal of Yorkshire Major was rung. The coach called first at Milverton for an hour's ringing and then on to Wellington, where a band was left to ring Kent Major. Brian Bladon motored down from Swindon (90-odd miles) for this peal and returned home immediately after lunch. The rest then went on to Minehead. Eventually everyone arrived in Minehead and several sampled the large sea-water swimming pool before tea. A peal of Cambridge Royal (the only ten-bell attempt of the week) was rung here in the afternoon and the rest of the party went on for an evening ring at the lovely picture postcard village of Dunster.

Tuesday began another good day for weather. A band, which included Norman Mallett (Heavitree), was left at Thorncombe to ring London Major. It was the first peal of Surprise on the bells and also the first in the method as conductor for Ian Holland, another newcomer to this tour. The rest of the party then rang at Axminster. The ringing was enjoyed on these good bells but here we suffered our only casualty of the week. At the final chime of the run down there was an almighty crash. That stalwart, Bill Rogers, from Hildenborough, was assisted, dazed and grazed, from a heap on the floor. The rope had jibbed at his weight! Some say this was justice for his remarks about a certain tenor on last year's tour! Possibly the jungle telegraph had been at work! Fortunately he suffered no serious damage. After lunch in Lyme Regis, a peal of London was rung on the musical eight. An attempt for a peal in seven Minor methods at Uplyme came to grief after an hour's good ringing. Possibly the two-mile uphill climb in the heat for four of the ringers had something to do with this. It was the first loss of the week. Brian Bladon joined us again for this attempt and stayed for the rest of the week. A third peal attempt this afternoon, at Whitchurch Canonicom, was successful. It was Superlative Major, being the first in the method for two of the ladies, Ruth Foreman and Margaret Bould.

Wednesday saw the first clouds in the sky but they were few and far between and the

temperature if anything was getting hotter. At Curry Rivel, Rutland Major was lost after about two hours with a missed bob, but Pudsey Major at Drayton was successful, this being Martin Lock's first in the method. The depleted ranks then went on to Barrington for a ring on the good but rather loud six and were met by the Rev. Chris Marshall, from Long Sutton. After lunch in Langport, a band was deposited at Huish Episcopi—where do these names come from?—and successfully rang Lincolnshire Major. This was another first in the method for Margaret. The rest of the party then rang at Langport and joined the Rev. Marshall at his own church, Long Sutton, for a ring with him on his lovely six, in what could be described as a miniature cathedral. After tea in Somerton, we rang on the heavy but melodious six. On the trip back to headquarters, the driver stopped for a couple of bottles of the local brew, to keep Eddie Jeffries and Richard Price happy. The Huish band was then picked up for the return to H.Q. A handbell peal of Kent Major at the home of Mr. R. Beale, the St. James' captain, was lost in the evening after two hours' ringing.

### SCRAPPED

Before setting out on Thursday morning we said goodbye to George and Doris Fearn, who were returning to the Midlands. We soon ran into a shower of thundery rain. This was the only rain of the tour and lasted less than an hour before the return to the usual azure blue skies. A band was left at Shepton Beauchamp (apparently pronounced 'Beecham') to ring London Major. Unfortunately, this was lost through a miscall after an hour and ten minutes. If successful, it would have been the first peal of Surprise on the bells.

In the meantime, the rest of the party rang on the recently installed ring of six at Ilton. Here we were welcomed by the Vicar and some of his new band of struggling learners, who were as pleased to meet us as we were them. When the Vicar arrived at this parish, he found the old ring of four lying in the churchyard and was told they were about to be sold. He suggested to the Church Council that they should be rehung and this was eventually carried out. He was then instrumental in getting two trebles added, but the cost was £150 more than if the ring had been originally augmented. These bells are well worth a visit but about £450 is still needed to defray the cost.

After lunch at Ilminster, we were joined by Frank Price, who conducted London Major in three and a half hours. This was Fred 'Lofty' Ross' 200th peal. In the meantime an attempt for Bristol Major was made at Crewkerne and the remainder enjoyed a ring on another excellent light six at Merriott, where the ringing chamber is most beautifully kept. On returning to Crewkerne for tea there was silence and we learned that the peal was lost after only three-quarters of an hour. Holy Trinity, Taunton, was visited in the evening and this was the second 'non-Dove' tower of the day. Here there is a six with a tenor of 44 cwt. in E flat. Apparently the fittings were made and the bellhanging done by the local Boy Scouts. The writer arrived as the bells were being run down but was told that they are rather difficult to handle. Ron Bullen was the first person to turn the tenor in here and there has been only one previous visiting band. Some of the party were having a meal in a local restaurant during the evening when they had the unexpected pleasure of being invited to join the manageress for speciality coffee in a private room, as the result of Philip Mehew finding a fried filter tip in his meal! How

long has he been working for the Ministry of Food?!

Friday, the last full day of the tour, started with a peal of Lincolnshire on the light eight in the lovely quiet village of East Coker. The rest of the party went on to Beaminster, where a peal of Yorkshire Major was rung, being Ron Sharpe's 500th. After picking up the East Coker contingent—who were lying in the sun after a lunch of French bread, Cheddar cheese and pickled onions suitably washed down and with a game of darts thrown in (the only customers in the inn)—afternoon bands were deposited at West Coker, where Cambridge Major was successful, and Martock, where Seven Spliced Major was also successful. We agree with the Roving Ringers, that the arrangement of ropes of the chiming apparatus is a spider's masterpiece at the latter. At the former, that grand old gentleman, Len Stilwell, from Worthing, was pressed into service for his second peal of the day. Was he practising for Australia? The remainder had to be content with a picnic tea—very good, mind you, and excellent value at 3s. a head—in the coach, though no cafe being available in Martock. The West Coker contingent was then collected and a call made at Yeovil. We did not really do justice to this fine ten but with the hectic week behind us and several of the heavy men still at Martock, it was not really surprising. However, it was nice to enjoy a short ring here. After picking up the Martock contingent we finally arrived at H.Q. about 9.30 p.m.

### MARG'S SPECIAL

The meeting was held in the residents' lounge of the hotel. Other residents, if there were any, had left it completely empty. Alick Cutler thanked Tom for once again organising a wonderful tour and presented him with a travelling bag with everyone's thanks. Tom thanked all for their support and was glad to have some new faces on tour and hoped they would be with us again. 'Marg's' usual poem caused many a good laugh and Dennis Knox read the part she had 'lost.' Tom thanked Arthur Reed for his very great help locally and also for the help of John Hunt, a fellow tourist just off home territory. Next year's tour was suggested as Norfolk and South Lincolnshire, to start on the usual date despite the later August Bank Holiday. As Tom would be very busy with the Australian enterprise, his family would do the organising for him.

Of the 20 tower- and two handbell attempts, one hand- and five tower bell peals were lost. This was a much better record than last year. Grateful thanks are accorded to all incumbents for permission to ring and also to all ringers who met us. We certainly had a most enjoyable tour, and no wonder when we had the pleasure of meeting such stalwarts as George Coles, George and Marjorie Cross, George Gaylard, William A. J. Knight and Herbert Young. One person it was nice to have with us for the second year was young Michael Maughan, from Newcastle. My! how he's grown from last year and his ringing ability has certainly grown with him. In quietness he makes up for his neighbour, who will now have to watch his p's and a's, as there isn't much to choose in size.

On Saturday morning, all had departed by 9.30. Some went to St. Stephen's, Bristol, for a final peal of Stedman Caters, which unfortunately came to grief. Apparently Bill Rogers hadn't had enough ringing, as he stayed on in Bristol for another week and rang in a different tower each day. The writer spent the week-end in Yeovil and grabbed Preston Plucknett for Matins on Sunday.

D. S.

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# Letters to the Editor

## A Challenge

Dear Sir,—With reference to the report on page 614 (R.W. 11.9.64) of Mr. A. P. Cannon having rung his 1,000th peal, I cannot allow the claim to go unchallenged and to pass without some comment.

Quite frankly, Mr. Cannon's effrontery in claiming this milestone amazes me. If Mr. Cannon examines his conscience and is honest with himself, he must admit that many of his so called peals will not bear much investigation. Doubtless many other ringers will have similar thoughts, on reading the report.

The occasions on which peals conducted by Mr. Cannon have been rigged, or allowed to continue to their conclusion, instead of being stopped, and of which the writer has personal knowledge, are too numerous to mention here. The following incidents will however be remembered by those who took part. On a tour of Shropshire in 1954, D.N.C.B. was attempted at Church Stretton. At about half-way the ringer of the treble appeared lost. 'Come along Fred,' said Cannon, 'the treble does not dodge in Double Norwich.' This was the signal for the bells to 'fire,' which they did for several courses. Several of the band called upon Mr. Cannon to call 'Stand,' but his voice was heard to shout above the confusion, 'Keep going—I'm not slogging my guts out here for nothing.' Subsequently, rounds came up at *handstroke*, and the ringing continued. This so called peal was published in R.W.

There was also the well known occasion when attempting Bob Major in Wales, with the late Mr. Clement Glenn in the band, and a learner on the treble, whose bell was bobbing up and down throughout, like a yoyo. When the bells eventually came into rounds and 'Stand' was called, Mr. Glenn said, 'You don't call that a peal, do you, how many blows did the treble strike?' Quick as a flash Mr. Cannon replied, '5.040 as far as I am concerned, Mr. Glenn.' Needless to say, the peal was recorded and published.

Many other instances could be quoted, but suffice to say, Mr. Editor, that I call upon Mr. Cannon to expunge all doubtful peals from his records, amend his standards, and start again. After all, industry and mere numbers never had much in common, certainly not as far as the writer is concerned anyway.

—Yours faithfully,

K. R. HOLTOM.

Westhorpe, Byfield, Northants.

Note.—The correct procedure is for a challenge immediately on publication. Then it can properly be dealt with by the Peal Analysis Committee. Unless the composition is false if the report is accepted by the Council the peal in question stands. Whatever a personal opinion may be, a complaint 10 years after is too late for an inquest.—Ed.

## Chartham

Dear Sir,—In reply to Mr. Frank C. W. Knight and Mr. W. Ring, I apologise for stating that the recent quarter peal at Chartham was the first for 16 years. I was, I thought, reliably informed by the secretary of the ringers that this was so.

Mr. Knight's 1,800 Minor in 1963 was in fact a peal attempt called round and was not of normal QP length. Of Mr. Ring's QP I can find no mention in past issues of 'The Ringing World.'

Mr. Knight's band consisted of one local ringer who regularly rings peals with him. The five boys who came from the surrounding area were ringing either their first or second quarter peals.—Yours sincerely,

COLIN H. COOK.

Merstham.

## 'Bellringing in Schools To-day'

Mr. Michael King, of Wentworth, Yorkshire, is kindly presenting (through the Sunday Service Ringing and Education Committee) the original copy of his study under the above title, to the Central Council Library. He wrote this whilst a student at St. John's College, York, and deserves to be congratulated on a first-class and informative piece of work which is beautifully arranged and illustrated and will be of great interest to anyone associated with bellringing or handbell ringing in schools.

This study has called for much research correspondence and many personal visits, and those who know Mr. King are aware that he is well qualified to make such a study, being himself well experienced in the activities of school and college ringing societies. Moreover, he himself is a keen and capable change-ringer and tune ringer.

The 15,000 word study is well illustrated by diagrams and photographs of handbells, church bells, ringers and towers, and it contains information about ringing in various primary, secondary and public schools, including change ringing on tower bells and change-ringing and tune-ringing on handbells.

For the benefit of the non-ringing college authorities, a glossary of terms is included, also a short history of bells, handbells and ringers.

As far as possible details of all British school ringing societies, their personalities, activities and methods have been included, though further information continues to arrive.

In his conclusion Mr. King estimates that, although the number of school ringing societies is not high (around 50), 1,000 towers would fall silent to-morrow if all ringers still at school or who have left school within the last two years were to cease to ring. In addition some 50 per cent. of the remaining towers at present fully manned would be in difficulties.

Mr. King intends to circulate his original study to the correspondents who, in giving him much valuable information, also requested to read his study. After circulation it will be presented to the Central Council library later this year.

Further information can be obtained from Mr. King at Wentworth Rectory, near Rotherham, Yorks.

NORMAN CHADDOCK.

Rotherham.

## Christ Church, Epsom

Dear Sir,—Owing to pressure of work and other commitments, Mr. W. Parrott has had to resign as captain of the tower at Epsom Common, Surrey. This has come as a great shock, as Mr. Parrott has done so much for the ringing at this tower, but we are pleased to say that he has not left us altogether. At a meeting of the Guild the ringers elected Mr. Richard Fentiman to take his place as captain.

Will visitors note that ringing times have been altered. Practices on Wednesdays will now be from 7.45 to 9.15 p.m. and Sunday service ringing 8.50—9.25 a.m. and 5.50—6.30 p.m.

—Yours sincerely,

ADRIENNE GIBSON

Epsom.

## Worcester Cathedral Bells

Dear Sir,—'Clocks Watches and Bells' by Sir Edmund Beckett, Bart. (Sixth Edition, 1874), gives the date 1869 for the Worcester bells.

Lord Grimthorpe was formerly Edmund Beckett Denison and became Sir Edmund Beckett when he succeeded his father as the fifth baronet in 1874. He was raised to the peerage in 1886.

Your readers will find 'Lord Grimthorpe, 1816—1905' by Peter Ferriday, very interesting

—Yours faithfully,

HAROLD WALKER.

York.

## Tower Captain's Criticism

Dear Sir,—I wonder how many ordinary service ringers read Mr. W. G. Wilson's leading article with as much astonishment as I did.

There is indeed a secular side to the Exercise, and it is nowhere more apparent than in the pages of 'The Ringing World.' In this rarified atmosphere one cannot avoid the impression that the Church is an excuse for bellringing. The immense amount of space it devotes to pseudo-scientific trivia, to the lives and careers of thousand-pealers and tower-grabbers is intensely boring to the vast majority of service ringers whose main concern is to see that the bells of their parish churches ring tunelessly and regularly to the glory of God and to summon their congregations to worship.

Of far greater interest to us than Mr. A. P. Cannon's thousandth peal (presumably he rings for service somewhere, though there is no indication of it) are the tucked-away stories of great old ringers who have served their churches through their lifetimes in many parts, the peals and quarter peals in relatively simple methods by service bands to celebrate great occasions in their parish life and the historical features which show how over the centuries been an integral part of the life of the Church the arts of bellringing and bellfounding have from which they spring.

To the vast majority of ordinary service ringers—busy people old and young who can just about spare enough time for their weekly practice in addition to ringing on Sunday—there is no problem of integration. The Church is part of their lives and their bells are part of their Church. In my own parish of Stoke D'Abernon (two of the band are parochial church councilors, two are sidesmen, three are Sunday school teachers and nearly all are linked to the Church in some other service than that of the tower. Ringers do not attend every service for which they ring and there are from time to time those among the younger ringers who, passing through the days of adolescent confusion which affect us all, do not attend service for long periods; of these a reasonably enlightened Rector considers that their service to the tower preserves with them some connection with the Church at a difficult and queuing time. The activities of the bellringers are integrated with the needs of the Church in the same way as the activities of the choir, the servers, the Sunday school, the Guild and the other bodies which function around and serve the wider purposes of the Church.

In my experience we are typical of the great body of ordinary ringers, who enjoy the service they have been called upon to perform, seek to increase their skill at it as far as time and opportunity permit but could not possibly regard ringing as an end in itself.

My advice to Mr. Wilson and other eminent ringers like him is to come out of their ivory towers and get a little closer to their parish lives and the lives of run-of-the-mill ringers. They will find that most of their problems in church relationships are either imaginary or created by their own peculiar view of the Exercise.

And for heaven's sake, let us have a little less space devoted to Mr. A. Pat Cannon and people like him and more to news and features really interesting to ringers.—Yours sincerely,

BERNARD ASH,

Tower Captain.

St. Mary's, Stoke D'Abernon.

## MR. WILSON REPLIES

I am not sure why Mr. Ash read my article with astonishment. The fact that everything in the Stoke D'Abernon garden is lovely is a matter for congratulation, but it does not follow that there are no neglected gardens. He should share my experiences of London towers and ringers some time. He would soon find that they were not 'ivory towers,' either.

Of course there is a secular side to ringing and of course 'The Ringing World' reflects this. It is a secular paper—the official journal of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers, which is a secular body. But that is not to say that both 'The Ringing World' and the Central Council should not be very closely associated with the Church and its work.

Perhaps people who live and work and play in small towns and villages are to be envied, but the other places still exist.



## WORCESTER CATHEDRAL BELLS

Dear Sir.—In view of the number of inaccuracies that have occurred in recent letters upon the above subject I hope that the following may help to clear up some of the confusion and be of interest.

Originally the Cathedral tower contained a ring of eight by a variety of founders, the tenor being about 21 cwt. During the restoration of the building it was discovered (on May 24th, 1863) that the second had been stolen—it was never recovered. The Minor Canon, the Rev. R. Cattley, who took a great interest in clocks and bells, wrote to the local newspapers in August that year proposing that a ring of ten bells (tenor 36 cwt. in D), a clock bell of four tons in A and a large and powerful clock be provided to replace the original eight. He had contacted several influential people to form a provisional committee and he estimated the cost of the whole job at £2,000.

In October, Cattley announced that he had been in contact with the Astronomer Royal 'and Mr. E. B. Denison, Q.C., who is one of the greatest authorities in these matters and he will afford us every help.' Cattley launched his appeal for subscriptions on March 5th, 1864, and Denison came to Worcester on March 26th and gave a lecture 'On Clocks and Bells' to a capacity audience at the Guildhall. It would appear that Denison was not only responsible for the design of the bells and clock but the frame as well.

The remaining seven bells of the old eight were removed from the tower and sold to anyone interested—four of them went to Didlington, Norfolk. Nothing else of any interest occurred between this time and 1868 except that it was decided that the bells should be a ring of twelve (tenor 50 cwt. in D flat) with a flat 4th for the top note of the Westminster quarters. The Bourdon bell was to be 4½ tons in B flat.

The Bourdon bell was cast on August 28th, 1868 (it was 6ft. 4½in. in diameter, 6in. thick at soundbow), and on Christmas Eve it arrived in Worcester and was later hung in a frame in the North Transept of the Cathedral where it was tolled for service for the first time by Denison on January 17th, 1869. The tenor was cast in May, 1869, and the 13 bells were sent to Worcester on December 13th and 14th, 1869; they were taken into the tower in the first week of January, 1870, and the Bourdon followed them in February. The bells were first rung on May 25th, 1870, to test the sound insulation of the floors. The ringing chamber was still full of scaffolding which made ringing very difficult but 'the neighbourhood was crowded with people anxious to hear the peals.' The official opening took place on December 13th, 1870.

The clock, however, was not started until late 1871 and in December, 1872, a carillon machine, the gift of a local industrialist, J. W. Lea, was started. Two more bells, flat 6th and flat 8th, were added in 1875 by his son, C. W. Lea.

The cost of the bells alone was £3,041 18s. 5d., and the whole work cost nearly £6,000.

Whether Denison became a friend of Cattley before or through the Worcester clock and bells project, I do not know, but they certainly got on very well together.

Denison was born on May 12th, 1816, at Newark, and was educated at Eton and Trinity College, Cambridge. He was made Q.C. in 1854, succeeded his father as 5th baronet on May 24th, 1874, and was created Baron Grimthorpe February 17th, 1886. His legal career occupied him for only about 5 months a year, which allowed him to pursue a variety of subjects—clocks, bells, locks, watches, architecture, medicine, theology and church restoration, to mention only a few. His specialised knowledge in the law relating to civil engineering projects, i.e. railways, roads, waterworks etc., earned him a great fortune. His will was proved in 1907, at £2,111,715 gross; £2,076,567 net. His advice in connection with his hobbies was always given free and he refused to patent any of his inventions. For details of his autocratic nature see 'Lord Grimthorpe—1816—1905' by Peter Ferriday (published by John Murray).

Unfortunately, I have very little information on Rev. Cattley except that he was born on February 3rd, 1820, of a Yorkshire family. He entered Worcester College, Oxford, where he obtained his B.A. in 1848 and was ordained in 1849. He held curacies in the Diocese of York and at King's Lynn, he was made Minor Canon of Worcester in 1855, Honorary Canon in 1880. He was frequently consulted in connection with clocks and bells and also took a great interest in charitable and philanthropic works. He died at 3 p.m. on Thursday May 4th, 1903, at his home in Worcester.

I would be very much obliged if anyone who can enlarge on any of the above, or who has any recollections of ringing on the bells before being recast in 1928, would communicate with me privately.—Yours faithfully,

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## GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

The attendance was a record with visitors coming from all parts of Devon as well as Cornwall and Somerset when the Mid-Devon branch held its quarterly meeting at Buckfast Abbey. The bells were kept going with standard methods throughout the afternoon.

All the seating accommodation was occupied for the service conducted by the Rev. Father Paulinus Angold, captain of the Abbey ringers, with Father Gregory Burke as organist. An inspiring address was given by the Lord Abbot (Dom Placid Hooper).

After tea in the car park cafe, the usual business meeting followed in the Parish Hall, with Mrs. D. E. Hood in the chair. The meeting stood in silence as a token of respect to the late Mr. E. Maurice Atkins, of Teignmouth, a former general secretary, whose funeral had taken place that morning.

A welcome was extended to Mr. B. Shingler, the new Branch secretary, and to Mr. T. G. Myers, of Plymouth, who had recovered from a long illness, whilst hearty votes of thanks were accorded to the Lord Abbot of Buckfast and the Abbey ringers for all their efforts towards the meeting.

A certificate was presented to Mr. A. T. Caffey, of Babbacombe, and one new member, Mr. D. G. Redwood, of Paignton, was elected.

The Branch annual meeting will be held at Totnes with Dartington on January 9th, and a joint meeting with the South Devon Association at Babbacombe on October 17th.

Ringling took place at Buckfastleigh and Dean Prior Parish Churches in the evening.

### OUTING

#### KIRKBY-IN-ASHFIELD, NOTTS

On September 12th a band of 12 Kirkby ringers set off early to begin their annual tour. We first headed towards Golden Valley in Derbyshire, where, despite the navigational errors experienced by one of our parties, we kept to a tight schedule, as we did throughout the day.

After a ring on the light bells at Denby we saw the Vicar at Horsley during a long varied ring. At Breadsall we were met by one of the ringers, who joined in with us, and we also found some excellent handbells, some of which were used for a quick course of Plain Bob. A wedding had just finished when we arrived at Ockbrook, but the only hitch was to start ringing, thinking the tenor was the treble. After having a picnic lunch by the road we had the best ring of the day at Sandiacre, followed by a ring at Stanton-by-Dale.

We then returned to Kirkby to ring for a wedding and set off immediately afterwards towards Leicestershire, ringing first at Woodborough, East Bridgford and, after a picnic tea, at Cropwell Bishop. Langar followed, where the very long draught produced bad striking. We had a good ring at Orston and went on to a heavy four-bell ring at Barkeston, where we were met once again by a local ringer.

The tour finished with a very short ring at Granby after an enjoyable day which had included rings of Little Bob, Kent, Spliced Doubles and Spliced Minimus methods.

E. A. H.

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## GRANDSIRE TRIPLES: THE MAKING OF TOUCHES

(Continued from page 650)

We must now look at what can be done by varying the coursing order of 567, keeping these bells well together so that we have a ready means of returning to rounds. The plain course coursing order is 6-7-5, and the natural course end is . . . 567, and it is fairly easy to vary this coursing order (and the course end) and to return to it when we want. Let us examine some specimen plans.

G	H	J
234567	234567	234567
S 572634	S 572634	— 752634
— 465372	S 567423	765423
436257	S 435267	— 347265
423765	423756	324576

An examination of G and J will show that the calling has merely turned over two of the three back bells, so that in one case . . . 567 has become . . . 765, and in the other case . . . 567 has become . . . 576. It should be clear, therefore, that if these callings are repeated we shall return to a course end . . . 567. To repeat J would result in an immediate return to rounds. To repeat G would lead to something more extensive, for we should have a touch of six courses with the following course ends: 423765, 342567, 234765, 423567, 342765, 234567, and this makes quite a respectable touch of 336 changes. But mark this. If in the third course we called a bob instead of the single at 1, we should change back 5 and 7, and instead of 234765 we should get 234567.

An example of the extended use of J is shown here, only one, of course, of the many

234567
— 752634
— 765423
— 347625
324576
— 653724
— 476253
427365
432576
— 654732
— 675243
— 326475
342567
etc.

possibilities. By simple means we have moved from 234576 to 432576, and then, by using calling J once again we have reversed 5 and 7 and produced a course end with the back bells in the order 567. At this point we have printed 'etc.' for the student should now be able to produce rounds in one course or in two courses just as he pleases by means we have indicated earlier in this essay.

To look a little closer, let us observe that in this touch 65 are on the front at the first bob in each course (after the first). Suppose we decided to call a single instead of a bob at this point. Immediately we should produce . . . 675 instead of . . . 576 and we could make our touch run in this form for a while if we wished. At any time we desired we could turn . . . 675 back to . . . 576 by calling a single with 56 on the front together, and from . . . 576 we know how to get . . . 567 without any difficulty.

To digress again for a moment. This manipulation of 567 and the turning of it into various forms is a much used device for the construction of touches, not only on paper, but extemporarily in the tower. The experienced caller of Grandsire Triples often uses the turning courses given above, and other devices for altering the coursing order of 567, sometimes composing the touch as he goes along, sometimes varying a standard touch by the introduction of a single to change over two bells, knowing quite well how to get back to . . . 567 when he wishes. Only long experience can bring facility in this art, and the only sound approach to the matter is continued experiment in making touches on paper and trying to call them in the tower.

Now that of calling H. It is a very interesting and useful one, for not only does it give the pleasant titum position with the bells coursing in the order 5-6-7, but it

we shall get a course end 324756, and we have thus two jumping-off points for making touches. Two methods of procedure will carry the touch further and still keep 756 in this position. The two means are shown here working from 423756, and from this it will be seen that the same callings applied to 324756 would produce either 243756 or 432756.

Now how are we to get . . . 756 converted back to . . . 567? Looking back at H and J we can see that calling H would turn our . . . 756 to . . . 675, and that a further use of the same calling would bring our . . . 675 to . . . 567. Similarly, the use of calling J would bring . . . 756 to . . . 765, and we already know how to convert 765 to 567.

There is, however, the more direct and more interesting process of reaching 234567 from . . . 756 by bringing the bells round at handstroke. To understand this thoroughly it is necessary to examine a course in which 567 are in the order . . . 657 and have a coursing order of 5-7-6.

If the course shown here is examined it will be found to exhibit a curious property. The lead running from 357264 contains the same rows as the last lead of the plain course.

342657
364725
376542
357264
325476
342657

of Grandsire Triples, and rounds occurs at handstroke as the row before 325476. It follows, therefore, that if the lead 357264 is followed by a plain lead, rounds will inevitably occur at handstroke. This placing of 567 is sometimes called the Inverted Home or Handstroke Home position because the rows . . . 567 occur at handstroke. It is common in Caters and Cinques, where very striking musical effects can be obtained by using it. In Triples it has not the same musical value, but it has a certain attraction, and without doubt provides a useful and interesting means of bringing the bells round.

A look back at our turning courses will show that the position . . . 657 can be obtained quite easily from . . . 756, from . . . 576 or from . . . 675. Here are two specimen touches, constructed expressly to demonstrate how easily the bells may be turned from one position to another.

234567	234567
— 752634	— 752634
— 765423	— 467352
— 347265	436275
324576	423567
S 563724	S 574623
S 76432	S 567342
— 245376	S 325467
234657	342756
— 762534	S 763542
— 457362	— 257463
435276	245376
423657	234657
— 764523	etc.
— 357264	
325476 A	
342657	

The very simple device in which a single just turns over 6 and 7 and very easily converts 756 to 657. From 234657 this second touch proceeds just as the first touch does from the same row.

It might perhaps be said that the key row to bringing the bells into rounds at handstroke is 357264, because if we can bring our touch to this row, either by plain, bob or single, rounds will follow at handstroke the next lead. This row is therefore worth recording in our notebook and learning by heart so that we know the sound of it and readily recognise it when we hear it. It is, of course, the Queen's Change with 4 and 6 reversed, and the fact that 357246 is so nearly 357264 should make us realise the possibilities of using the one to lead to the other.

234567	234567	234567
253746	253746	253746
S 762453	S 762453	S 762543
746325	746325	746325
S 357246	S 357246	— 537246
— 325674	— 623457	— 625437
S 643725	642735	642753
— 576243	— 576342	— 376542
— 325476	S 325476	357264
	342657	325476
	364725	
	376542	
	357264	
	325476	
	FALSE	

For study purposes three specimens of turning from 357246 to 357264 are given here. In each case the principle is simply to turn over 4 and 6, in two cases by the use of a single on 46, and in the third by the use of calling J.

The first two examples are interesting and important illustrations of the fact that things are not always what they seem. The first one clearly produces rounds from 357246 in a very short time and, at a pinch, can be used for this purpose. But it will not provide a true touch, for the row before rounds, that is, the row before the treble leads, is 2135476, and this we had at the very start of the touch. This reminds us of a vital rule. If Grandsire starts in the normal way, then the bells cannot come home at handstroke at a call. The only way in which 234567 can be secured at handstroke at a call and still preserve truth is for the bells to go off from rounds into changes at backstroke. There is no reason why this should not be done, and, indeed, peals have been rung with this start. But it is not at all usual, and the consideration of its possibilities cannot be discussed here.

The second touch manages to arrive at 325476 with a call, but this time there is no falseness, for the handstroke of 325476 in this case is 324567. This little touch of 181 is a very useful and amusing one. The third one runs to only 121 changes, but is well worth keeping in mind. Note the lead 537246 and remember that by calling S.B.B.S. at this point you could add three leads, one of which is 357246.

To conclude, let us sum up a little. First, these notes have been put together, not so much to provide touches for the young conductor as to indicate how touches can be adapted or composed. Volumes could be written on this subject, but it must suffice to say that here we have given only some of the principles governing the composition of short pieces. The general idea has been to show how some interesting use may be made of the bells and how they may be returned to rounds. Three basic methods have been touched on:

1. The use of some standard callings having the 7th as observation bell.
2. The use of certain devices to turn 567 into various positions and to return them to the rounds position.
3. The use of singles to turn over a couple of bells.

There is much more for the earnest bob caller to study. There is the theory of Odd and Even rows, the principles of transposition, and many other associated matters. How far he advances in these studies will depend on his enthusiasm, but we would repeat here that the making of simple touches is not difficult and we would very sincerely urge its practice. Whether or not the results are original does not seem to us to matter very much: the joy of taking something 'home-made' into the belfry and calling it there is very great, and the study attaching to the work of producing it is productive of a larger education and a deeper insight.

NEWTON ST. LOE, SOMERSET.—On July 30th, 1.260 Double Oxford Bob Minor: J. Fray 1, A. Perry 2, Rosemary Smith 3, M. Heymann 4, R. Smith 5, M. Horseman (cond.) 6. First in the method by all.



**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD****North Dorset Branch**

This year the Branch visited Askerwell, Lyme Regis, Musbury, Kilmington and Thorncombe. Sufficient time was allowed for the 31 ringers to have their pull and for touches of standard methods to be rung at each tower. Methods up to London Surprise Minor were attempted and for the most part came round, the usual menu consisting of Plain Bob, Kent, Double Court and Grandsire and Stedman Doubles at the six-bell towers, with Grandsire Triples and a course of two of Plain Bob Major at Lyme Regis. At Thorncombe the loss of the tenor clapper in the middle of the first touch of Grandsire Triples rather curtailed matters and some Minor on the front six, covered by the seventh, was no real substitute for the octave. Apart, however, from this misfortune (and better to have happened then than during Sunday ringing or a peal), the day went well, the weather was kind, a good tea was made at Axminster and so far no complaints have been received from any parishioners.

R. N. L.

**West Dorset Branch**

The Branch held its quarterly meeting at Thorncombe on September 12th. Eight towers were represented with visitors from Yeovil, Cattistock, Staple Fitzpaine and St. George's, Wilton. The Guild service was conducted by the vice-chairman, the Rev. Mr. Syer, Vicar of Whitchurch Canonorum, who also presided at the meeting in the unavoidable absence of the chairman. We were pleased to see Canon Cox and to know he is still able to take a rope for a short touch. He was unable to stay for the tea and meeting.

Tea was provided and served by the local ringers and their wives in the new hall.

Meetings were arranged as follows: A.G.M. at Bridport, November 28th; practice meetings, Broadwindsor, November 11th, and Beaminster, December 9th.

J. D.

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION****Chesterfield Visit Oxfordshire**

This year's District outing was to Oxfordshire on September 12th at the request of one of our older members.

Although slightly late, due to heavy traffic, at our first tower, Banbury, the 17 cwt. ten were much to our liking and when one or two had got used to the long draught we managed some Bob Major and Little Bob Royal. After an excellent lunch in Deddington we unfortunately arrived at Chipping Norton at the same time as a wedding party, but Mr. J. Newman came to the rescue by taking us on a brief tour of various places of interest in the county.

Another of our ringers, Mr. P. Attwood (Percy), had lived at Great Tew for almost 50 years and after numerous envious glances at his former olde-world cottage we spent an enjoyable hour on the splendid 22 cwt. octave. Reluctantly leaving Great Tew, we returned to Banbury for tea at the Winter Gardens before the company of some 38 members and friends started the journey home. Our grateful thanks are extended to the clergy and local captains and to our driver, Bob.

Next meeting: October 10th, Clowne (quarterly).

M. P. P.

**THE BELLS**

Belfry's captain, full of bliss,  
Said 'You don't know what you've missed,'  
Cobwebs, woodlice, bellropes, too.  
With ancient bells that you can view.  
Ring in the New Year, ring out the Old.  
What historical New Year have you told?  
Made in the foundry, rung and set,  
How many bellropes have you met?  
Deep and mellow, an octave, eight,  
What peal or quarter have you rung of late?  
Then to the foundry once again  
To smelt down to a smaller ten.

PATRICIA K. MOSS (15).

Note.—Written five years ago and dedicated to Chalfont St. Peter's ringers and especially Mr. E. G. Swift, the captain.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**

The autumn meeting of the Eastern District of the Yorkshire Association was held at Beverley on September 19th, when the attendance was not as large as usual although 15 towers were represented.

Tea was served in the Cross Keys Hotel, Beverley, followed by the business meeting, presided over by Mr. H. Walker, vice-president, who welcomed the general secretary of the Yorkshire Association (Mr. W. F. Moreton) and his wife. Five new members were elected: Messrs. Andrew Dickinson, Philip Hawkins and David Burnett, of Bridlington, and Mr. H. L. Roper, of Gateforth.

It was decided to hold the December meeting at Snaith and Carlton, subject to permission being obtained. A vote of thanks to the incumbents, local companies and to Mr. N. Castle for the arrangements was carried. Good use was made of St. Mary's ten bells and also the six at Wakington, afternoon and evening.

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION****Western Branch**

A warm day favoured the Branch quarterly meeting held at St. Mary's Church, Gressenhall (8 bells) on August 29th.

The service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. R. E. G. Dodson), who read an article, 'U.S.A. Acclaims British Bells,' by Canon Thurlow, from the 'Norwich Churchman' instead of the usual address. Tea followed in the school.

At the subsequent business meeting the chair was taken by the Diocesan Ringing Master, Mr. F. C. Goodman.

After deciding upon Gaywood for the next meeting some interesting discussion took place about ways of maintaining interest in practice meetings and of encouraging regular service ringing.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP

A Surrey Valuation Court at Guildford last week reduced the assessments of 16 houses at Queen's Drive, Stoughton, because of the ringing of a bell for Holy Communion on Sundays, at 8 a.m. The ringing was described by one man as 'deafening and incessant' and another complained of 'its ghastly tone.' The Vicar, the Rev. Basil W. Hazledine, said it was only a very small bell and was rung for three minutes.

The first named peal of the Ladies' Guild is contemplated by Margarets. They hope the attempt will be at Stratton St. Margaret.

Miss Penny Howells, of Claines, rang her first quarter peal of Minor at Church Lench, and in view of their reputation as to their 'go' she is to be congratulated.

We have heard many favourable comments on the broadcast in the Home Service on Sunday of Kaye Webb's talk to the bellringers of Leicester, Cathedral entitled 'Ringing the Changes.'

Mr. and Mrs. Colin Tester took part in peals with the Lincoln Diocesan Guild at Hull and Walesby. Unfortunately they were described as Lester on pages 638 and 639 when the reports were published.

When the captain of Rewe, Devon, bellringers was married he took his wife to the car, then went back to the belfry and helped to ring his own wedding bells. Nearly 30 years later, his son was married in the same church and when his father should have been in the vestry signing the register, they found him in the belfry ringing for his son's wedding!

Miss Christine L. Mason, vice-captain at Chilvers Coton, Nuneaton, writes that 'the man in charge' ('R.W.' 18-9-64), who is the new president of the Coventry Diocesan Guild, is the tower captain. Mr. A. H. Beamish. She regards him as a superb example of a true and loyal tower captain and adds: 'Although, at times, we young "imps" may mar the changes, our captain's patience and tolerance, his firmness, and method, his unchanging friendliness, bear with us and move us to trying to do better next time.'

The patron of the living of Portishead, to which the Rev. Roger O. Fry was instituted on September 22nd, is Mrs. M. N. Briggs, daughter of Preb. H. W. Jukes, Rector from 1903 to 1938. As Miss M. E. N. Jukes she rang in the first peal for the Ladies' Guild at Cubitt Town in 1912. She paid a special visit to the belfry, apart from her duty of presenting the Rector-designate to the Bishop at the service. The Rev. R. O. Fry took the opportunity of ringing with the local band and visitors before and after the service.

Seventeen items of livestock, the gifts of local farmers, and 100 other miscellaneous items were sold at an auction at Gisburn Auction Market to raise money for the recasting of Gisburn, West Yorkshire, bells.

We are surprised that Mr. Bernard Ash, as tower captain of Stoke D'Abernon, had not heard of Mr. P. A. Cannon's association with St. Martin's Church, Dorking, and his position as Ringing Master of the Surrey Association.

Organised by Pat Bird and Tudor Edwards, Bristol University Society had a successful tour of the Welsh-Borderland from August 27th-30th. The tour finished in Liverpool, where ringing took place at the Cathedral, Woolton, and St. Nicholas' towers.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. William Henry (Bill) Lewis, Ringing Master of St. John's, Worcester, since 1932, and also a member of the Cathedral Guild for 47 years, which took place on September 6th in his 79th year. A memoir will appear in our next issue.

We hope our friends in the Norwich area eventually received their 'Ringing Worlds' of September 18th. Just as the Editor was leaving for a brief holiday in Holland, a frantic message was received that a consignment of 70 copies for Norwich were lost in transit by rail. Fortunately we were able to dispatch from reserves the copies required by post that night—and the Editor also caught the night boat at Harwich.

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## MR. GEORGE E. BONHAM'S PEAL WEEK

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

POTTON, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
On Mon., Sept. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B., St. Clement's College Bob, and four of Plain Bob.  

Martyn J. Marriott .. .. Treble	Alan R. Bridges .. .. 4
Mary E. Edwards .. .. 2	A. Trevor Hawkins .. .. 5
George E. Bonham .. .. 3	Peter Woollven .. .. Tenor

 Conducted by Peter Woollven.

STOTFOLD, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.  
On Tues., Sept. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being four extents of Cambridge Surprise, one of Kent T.B., and two of Plain Bob.  

Peter Woollven .. .. Treble	George E. Bonham .. .. 4
Mary E. Edwards .. .. 2	Terry R. Hatchett .. .. 5
A. Trevor Hawkins .. .. 3	Philip Mehew .. .. Tenor

 Conducted by Philip Mehew.

EATON SOCON, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
On Thurs., Sept. 17, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part (seventh observation).  

Philip Mehew .. .. Treble	Alan R. Bridges .. .. 5
*A. Trevor Hawkins .. .. 2	*Martyn J. Marriott .. .. 6
*Peter Woollven .. .. 3	George W. Massey .. .. 7
*George E. Bonham .. .. 4	*David J. Prescott .. .. Tenor

 Conducted by George W. Massey.  
 \* First peal of Grandsire Triples.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

HUNTINGDON.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
On Tues., Sept. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt, 21 lb. in F sharp.  

*Robert D. Bellamy .. Treble	Terry R. Hatchett .. .. 5
George E. Bonham .. .. 2	Philip Mehew .. .. 6
Mary E. Edwards .. .. 3	George W. Massey .. .. 7
†A. Trevor Hawkins .. .. 4	Peter Woollven .. .. Tenor

 Composed by John R. Pritchard. Conducted by Peter Woollven.  
 \* First peal of Major. † 25th peal. First of Major as conductor.

HARSTON, Cambridgeshire.—At the Church of All Saints.  
On Wed., Sept. 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of Kent T.B., and six of Plain Bob.  

F. Ben Comer .. .. Treble	Jean Sanderson .. .. 4
A. Trevor Hawkins .. .. 2	George E. Bonham .. .. 5
Margaret M. Roden .. .. 3	Peter Woollven .. .. Tenor

 Conducted by Peter Woollven.

HEMINGFORD ABBOTTS, Hunts.—At the Church of St. Margaret.  
On Wed., Sept. 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B., St. Clement's College Bob, Single Oxford Bob, and three of Plain Bob.  

F. Ben Comer .. .. Treble	Peter Woollven .. .. 4
George E. Bonham .. .. 2	Martyn J. Marriott .. .. 5
A. Trevor Hawkins .. .. 3	George W. Massey .. .. Tenor

 Conducted by George W. Massey.

WALLINGTON, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
On Thurs., Sept. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Kent T.B., Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's College Bob, and four of Plain Bob.  

Terry R. Hatchett .. Treble	George W. Massey .. .. 4
A. Trevor Hawkins .. .. 2	David R. Sanderson .. .. 5
George E. Bonham .. .. 3	*Peter Woollven .. .. Tenor

 Conducted by Peter Woollven.

\* 25th peal.

Rung to welcome the Rev. H. W. King to the living of Rushden, Sandon and Wallington.

CAXTON, Cambridgeshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Fri., Sept. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents, all different.  

*David J. Prescott .. Treble	A. Trevor Hawkins .. .. 4
†Robert D. Bellamy .. 2	*George E. Bonham .. .. 5
Margaret M. Roden .. 3	Peter Woollven .. .. Tenor

 Conducted by Peter Woollven.  
 \* First peal of Plain Bob Minor. † First peal 'inside.'

## TOWER BELL PEALS

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CURRY MALLET, Somerset.—At the Church of All Saints.  
On Sat., Aug. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Tenor 10½ cwt. in A.  

Arthur H. Reed .. .. Treble	†Geoffrey R. Marchant .. 4
Ann E. Fellows .. .. 2	Philip W. Gay .. .. 5
*Max Heymann .. .. 3	Cecil T. Clarke .. .. Tenor

 Conducted by Cecil T. Clarke.  
 \* First peal. † First of Surprise Minor. First of Surprise as conductor.

CHURCHILL, Somerset.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.  
On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 21 six-scores each of Grandsire and Plain Bob.  

Kenneth Gatehouse .. Treble	Keith Prime .. .. 4
Marjorie Legg .. .. 2	Sydney Smith .. .. 5
Cecil Mogford .. .. 3	George Prescott .. .. Tenor

 Conducted by George Prescott.  
 The tenor ringer has now 'circled the tower.'  
 In memoriam E. J. Avery.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ELSTOW, Bedfordshire.—At the Abbey Church of SS. Mary and Helena.

On Thurs., Sept. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods with the following extents: Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise T.B., Norwich Surprise, Woodbine T.B., Oxford T.B., Single Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.  

Miriam Pettitt .. .. Treble	*Martyn Marriott .. .. 4
Susan Law .. .. 2	Rodney French .. .. 5
Kathleen Rivett .. .. 3	Robert Law .. .. Tenor

 Conducted by Robert Law.

\* First peal in seven methods.

Rung to commemorate the completion of the ringing chamber and part restoration of tower.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

GAWSWORTH, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt.  

*Frank R. Morton .. Treble	*Raymond J. Ballard .. 5
Barry Corbishley .. .. 2	Roy Worrall .. .. 6
Harold Dowler .. .. 3	Robert B. Smith .. .. 7
*Paul J. Atkins .. .. 4	*Ivor R. Nichols .. .. Tenor

 Composed by W. Barton.  
 \* First peal in the method.

MORETON-CORBET, Shropshire.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew.  
On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Consisting of two extents of St. Clement's and five of Plain Bob.  

Robert Barratt .. Treble	*Richard E. Morris .. .. 4
Harold Worrall .. .. 2	Christopher Jones .. .. 5
Brian Schofield .. .. 3	Harry W. Howard .. .. Tenor

 Conducted by Harry W. Howard.

\* 75th peal.

Rung as a 71st birthday compliment to the ringer of the treble.

PREES, Shropshire.—At the Church of St. Chad.

On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

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

Ernest Pimlott .. Treble	Edward V. Rodenhurst .. 4
Christopher Jones .. 2	Harold Worrall .. .. 5
Brian Schofield .. .. 3	Harry W. Howard .. .. Tenor

 Conducted by Harry W. Howard.  
 Rung to mark the ordination of Peter Hough, of Knutsford, who is to be ordained Deacon in Leicester Cathedral on September 20th.

## THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

ALLESLEY, Coventry.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Tues., Sept. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. in G.  

Frank W. Perrens .. Treble	L. Michael Callow .. .. 5
*Edward Holdsworth .. 2	David J. Allen .. .. 6
Hubert G. Summers .. 3	Ernest J. Gower .. .. 7
Percy Stone .. .. 4	Peter Border .. .. Tenor

 Composed by Stephen Ivin.  
 \* First peal in the method.  
 Rung with the best wishes of the band for the future happiness of Dawn V. Elson and Peter J. Little, who were married at the Church of St. Barbara, Earlsdon, Coventry, on September 5th. The bride is a member of the Sunday service band at All Saints', Allesley.



**THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
**WHITLEY BAY, Northumberland.**—At the Church of St. Paul.  
*On Mon., Sept. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 17½ cwt.  
 Gordon Lusk .. .. Treble .. .. Denis A. Bayles .. .. 5  
 John E. Anderson .. .. 2 .. .. George S. Deas .. .. 6  
 Iris Thomson .. .. 3 .. .. Eric N. Harrison .. .. 7  
 M. Elaine Murcott .. .. 4 .. .. Kenneth Arthur .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by Denis A. Bayles.  
 Rung to mark the centenary of the dedication of this church.

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**  
**HARLOW COMMON, Essex.**—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.  
*On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 12 cwt. 9 lb. in G.  
 John West .. .. Treble .. .. Michael J. Cowling .. .. 5  
 Joe E. G. Roast .. .. 2 .. .. Dennis A. S. Symonds .. .. 6  
 Peter G. Brown .. .. 3 .. .. Philip J. Rothera .. .. 7  
 Peter J. Came .. .. 4 .. .. Ian R. Pantou .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by D. N. Layton. Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.

**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
**BRISTOL.**—At Christ Church with St. Ewen.  
*On Mon., Sept. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 ALBANIAN SURPRISE ROYAL**  
 Tenor 23 cwt.  
 John H. Taylor .. .. Treble .. .. Richard C. L. Brown .. .. 6  
 Jennifer M. Taylor .. .. 2 .. .. James R. Taylor .. .. 7  
 Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 3 .. .. John W. Coleman .. .. 8  
 Michael J. Hobbs .. .. 4 .. .. Gordon W. Land .. .. 9  
 D. John Hunt .. .. 5 .. .. Philip M. J. Gray .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by C. J. Sedgley. Conducted by D. John Hunt.  
 First peal in the method for the Association, on the bells, and by all the band.  
 Rung for and on the first birthday of Christopher Paul Hobbs, son of M. J. Hobbs, ringer of fourth.

**BRISTOL.**—At the Cathedral Church of the Holy and Undivided Trinity.  
*On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5056 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 21 cwt. 1 lb. in E flat.  
 Andrew Howard .. .. Treble .. .. John H. Taylor .. .. 5  
 D. John Hunt .. .. 2 .. .. Alan Tubb .. .. 6  
 Cliff Richards .. .. 3 .. .. Michael J. Hobbs .. .. 7  
 Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 4 .. .. William Rogers .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by C. H. Mattersley. Conducted by D. John Hunt.  
 Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Jacqueline A. Hobbs, wife of the ringer of the 7th (September 10th).

**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**CLIFFORD, Herefordshire.**—At the Church of St. Mary.  
*On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5056 HUNSLET BOB MAJOR**  
 Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in F sharp.  
 \*H. Lyndon Hatfield .. Treble .. Robert A. Hatcher .. .. 5  
 Colin A. Lewis .. .. 2 .. .. \*Marcus C. W. Sherwood .. 6  
 John W. Hope .. .. 3 .. .. \*Thomas E. Wood .. .. 7  
 Gillian E. Graney .. .. 4 .. .. George T. Cousins .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by T. B. Worsley. Conducted by George T. Cousins.  
 \* First of Major. First peal in the method by all the band. First in the county and for the Guild.  
 A farewell to Colin A. Lewis who is leaving to take up a post at University College, Dublin.

**ALMELEY, Herefordshire.**—At the Church of St. Mary.  
*On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**  
 In 30 methods, being one extent each of: Buttercup, Violet, Dedworth, Primrose, Wallflower, Cowslip, Wychbold, Honeysuckle, St. George, Marchington, Rushall, All Saints, St. Augustine, Fortune, Northrepps, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Grandsire, and Newbrough, and two extents each of Hudbas, Old, Seighford, April Day, Kennington, Plain Bob, Campion, St. Columb, Little Aston, Clifford's Pleasure, Reverse Canterbury, and Southrepps.  
 Tenor 11 cwt. 27 lb. in G.  
 Arthur W. Williams .. Treble .. John W. Hope .. .. 4  
 Margaret J. Hope .. .. 2 .. .. Robert A. Hatcher .. .. 5  
 Colin A. Lewis .. .. 3 .. .. Danzey Watkins .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by John W. Hope.  
 Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Miss Dwynwen Morgan.

**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
**BENINGTON, Hertfordshire.**—At the Church of St. Peter.  
*On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5088 PETERBOROUGH SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 12 cwt.  
 Stuart J. Hutton .. .. Treble .. .. G. William Critchley .. .. 5  
 Eric Edmondson .. .. 2 .. .. Colin A. S. Harwood .. .. 6  
 Claudia A. Critchley .. .. 3 .. .. Jack S. Dear .. .. 7  
 J. Richard Castledine .. .. 4 .. .. Brian D. Harris .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by W. Eric Critchley. Conducted by G. William Critchley.  
 First peal in the method by all the band.

**KNEBWORTH, Hertfordshire.**—At the Church of SS. Mary-the-Virgin and Thomas a Becket.  
*On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**  
 Tenor 12½ cwt.  
 \*Paul J. Crane .. .. Treble .. .. J. Stuart Hutton .. .. 5  
 Claudia A. Critchley .. .. 2 .. .. Colin A. S. Harwood .. .. 6  
 †Terry R. Hatchett .. .. 3 .. .. Jack S. Dear .. .. 7  
 Vernon Green .. .. 4 .. .. J. Richard Castledine .. Tenor  
 Composed by Nolan Golden. Conducted by Claudia A. Critchley.  
 \* First peal. † First of Major 'inside.'  
 Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Daphne W. Childs, daughter of A. W. Childs, Knebworth tower keeper, to Roger R. Menear.

**MUCH HADHAM, Hertfordshire.**—At the Church of St. Andrew.  
*On Sat., July 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**  
 Parker's Twelve-Part (seventh observation). Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 5 lb.  
 \*Frances I. Studley .. Treble .. Lorna E. Simpson .. .. 5  
 †Elizabeth M. Emmett .. 2 .. Leonard J. North .. .. 6  
 †Patricia J. Laycock .. .. 3 .. Bernard E. Matthews .. 7  
 Clive W. Simpson .. .. 4 .. Bryan C. Burrough .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Bernard E. Matthews.  
 \* First peal. † First of Grandsire Triples.

**LANGLEYBURY, Hertfordshire.**—At the Church of St. Paul.  
*On Wed., Sept. 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 FULMER DELIGHT MINOR**  
 Being seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt. 13 lb. in A.  
 \*Lorna E. Simpson .. Treble .. John R. Mayne .. .. 4  
 Elsie K. Hart .. .. 2 .. \*Clive W. Simpson .. .. 5  
 H. George Hart .. .. 3 .. Kenneth R. Dunstan .. Tenor  
 Conducted by John R. Mayne.  
 \* 25th peal. The first peal in the method.  
 A wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hart.

**FULMER DELIGHT MINOR.**  
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**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
**MAIDSTONE, Kent.**—At the Church of All Saints.  
*On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 YORK SURPRISE ROYAL**  
 Tenor 32 cwt. 20 lb. in C sharp.  
 Doris E. Colgate .. Treble .. Ian H. Oram .. .. 6  
 \*Ann Jenner .. .. 2 .. Ralph Bird .. .. 7  
 Andrew J. Corby .. .. 3 .. †Dennis A. Chapman .. 8  
 Geoffrey Pearson .. .. 4 .. Stanley Jenner .. .. 9  
 Arthur S. Richards .. 5 .. Thomas Cullingworth .. Tenor  
 Arranged by Ernest Morris. Conducted by Ian H. Oram.  
 \* 100th peal. † 150th peal. First of York Royal by all the band, in the county, and for the Association.

**ERITH, Kent.**—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.  
*On Fri., Sept. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 15 cwt.  
 Martin L. Howe .. Treble .. †Ian H. Oram .. .. 5  
 Edwin A. Barnett .. .. 2 .. Trevor A. Cross .. .. 6  
 \*Leonard Manning .. .. 3 .. Frederick J. Cullum .. 7  
 Herbert E. Audsley .. 4 .. Bernard F. L. Groves .. Tenor  
 Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by Frederick J. Cullum.  
 \* First peal in the method. † 400th peal.  
 A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Barnett, parents of the ringer of the 2nd, on the eve of their golden wedding anniversary.

**SANDRIDGE, Kent.**—At the Church of St. Mary.  
*On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**  
 An extent each of Carlisle, Dearne Valley, Rossendale, Lincoln, Berwick, Cuneacastle and Durham.  
 Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb.  
 Ralph Bird .. Treble .. Ian H. Oram .. .. 4  
 Mary S. Taylor .. .. 2 .. Andrew M. Macve .. .. 5  
 John Faircloth .. .. 3 .. Thomas Cullingworth .. Tenor  
 Conducted by R. Bird.

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
**HAWKSHEAD, Lancashire.**—At the Church of St. Michael.  
*On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in G sharp.  
 David Vincent .. Treble .. Brian Mills .. .. 5  
 Derek A. Ashton .. .. 2 .. Alan Sharples .. .. 6  
 Iris M. E. Lemare .. .. 3 .. Frederick Shallcross .. 7  
 Frederick Jackson .. .. 4 .. Denis Mottershead .. Tenor  
 Composed by A. Craven. Conducted by Frederick Shallcross.

**HORNBY, Lancashire.**—At the Church of St. Margaret.  
*On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in G.  
 John Robinson .. Treble .. Alan Sharples .. .. 5  
 Iris M. E. Lemare .. .. 2 .. William A. Lacey .. .. 6  
 Meryl R. Crossthwaite .. 3 .. Geoffrey M. Brewin .. 7  
 Derek A. Ashton .. .. 4 .. John H. Fielden .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by J. W. Parker. Conducted by William A. Lacey.



**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.**—At the Church of All Saints.  
*On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 30 cwt. 2 qr.

Alan E. Hartley .. .. Treble	David J. King .. .. 6
Walter H. Dobby .. .. 2	A. Maxwell Lindsey .. .. 7
David G. Wilford .. .. 3	A. James Poyner .. .. 8
James A. D. Woolford .. 4	Martin C. Faulkes .. .. 9
Jack P. Kesterton .. .. 5	Tom Chapman .. .. Tenor

Composed by David J. Forder and Tom Chapman.  
 Conducted by Tom Chapman.

**SOUTH WIGSTON, Leicestershire.**—At the Church of St. Thomas.  
*On Mon., Sept. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in F.

Carol L. Norman .. .. Treble	David W. Stenson .. .. 5
Brian G. Warwick .. .. 2	Keith H. Mildred .. .. 6
Alan R. Mildred .. .. 3	Mark G. Wood .. .. 7
Carol I. V.orton .. .. 4	Roger K. Stretton .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. Armiger Trollope. Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.  
 Rung by the Sunday Service Band, all taught to ring by the conductor. A farewell to Brian G. Warwick, Ringing Master since 1953, who has been appointed choirmaster and organist at St. John-the-Baptist's, Knighton.

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**GREAT GRIMSBY, Lincolnshire.**—At the Church of St. James.

*On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.*

**A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CATERERS**

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in E.

Gwen I. Bloomfield .. Treble	Frank G. Bloomfield .. 6
Iris M. E. Lemare .. .. 2	George H. Randles .. .. 7
Norah M. Randles .. .. 3	Michael W. Crowder .. .. 8
Joyce M. Gurnhill .. .. 4	Peter A. Sharp .. .. 9
Jack L. Millhouse .. .. 5	Geoffrey Paul .. .. Tenor

Composed by Frank E. Darby. Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.  
 First peal of Caters on the bells.

**BARROW-ON-HUMBER, Lincolnshire.**—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

*On Tues., Sept. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr.

*Geoffrey Bromfield .. Treble	*Septimus Neave .. .. 5
†Ronald Chafer .. .. 2	†Arthur Pashley .. .. 6
†C. Aubrey Harrison .. 3	†John Hall .. .. 7
†Jack Bray .. .. 4	†Michael W. Crowder .. Tenor

Composed by A. Craven. Conducted by Michael W. Crowder.  
 \* First peal of Surprise. † First in the method. ‡ 25th peal together. First in the method as conductor.

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

*On Wed., Aug. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Tenor 13 cwt.

Charles E. Black .. .. Treble	Roger D. Bailey .. .. 4
John H. Bluff .. .. 2	David R. Baxter .. .. 5
Edwin T. Chapman .. .. 3	Alan G. Payne .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Alan G. Payne.

**THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
**LLANDAFF, Glamorgan.**—At the Cathedral Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

*On Mon., Sept. 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5043 STEDMAN CATERERS**

Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr. in E.

Donald G. Clift .. .. Treble	William J. Goodfellow .. 6
Penelope J. Welch .. .. 2	*Stephen Fenwick (15) .. 7
John Owen .. .. 3	John Manley .. .. 8
Thomas T. Yeomans .. .. 4	David J. Llewellyn .. .. 9
Roger G. Havard .. .. 5	Nicholas W. H. Simon .. Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by Donald G. Clift.  
 \* First peal on ten bells. The conductor's 100th peal for the Association.

**BRIDGEND, Glamorgan.**—At the Church of St. Iltyd.

*On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt. 3 lb. in F sharp.

J. Arthur Hoare .. .. Treble	Roger King .. .. 5
Nicholas W. H. Simon .. 2	David J. Llewellyn .. .. 6
John Owen .. .. 3	Roger G. Havard .. .. 7
Penelope J. Welch .. .. 4	Brian J. Woodruffe .. .. Tenor

Composed by Arthur Craven.

Conducted by David J. Llewellyn.

**THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
**NEWCASTLE, Staffordshire.**—At the Church of St. Giles.

*On Sat., Aug. 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5120 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

*Raymond Ballard .. .. Treble	*David S. Midgeley .. .. 5
*Barbara Dale .. .. 2	Geoffrey C. Beech .. .. 6
*Hilary Pardoe .. .. 3	Andrew Thomson .. .. 7
*Leslie Walley .. .. 4	Arnold Moore .. .. Tenor

Composed by John Reeves.

Conducted by G. Arnold Moore.

\* First peal of Kent Major. Tenor 16 cwt.  
 Rung for the wedding of L. Keith Moore and Doreen Williams.

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**GREAT MARLOW, Buckinghamshire.**—At the Church of All Saints.  
*On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 lb. in F.

Howard Oglesby .. .. Treble	Giles R. Shedden .. .. 5
*William Birmingham, jnr. 2	William Butler .. .. 6
William Birmingham .. 3	David P. Hilling .. .. 7
Sydney M. Bailey .. .. 4	Alan R. Pink .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. Tipler.

Conducted by Alan R. Pink.

\* First peal in the method. † First in the method 'inside' and 25th peal.

**OXFORD.**—At the Church of St. Ebbe.

*On Tues., Sept. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5216 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 4 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

Roy H. Jones .. .. Treble	Christopher C. Clarke .. 5
Brian W. Hall .. .. 2	William Birmingham .. 6
Charles Coles .. .. 3	Peter J. Heritage .. .. 7
Edward R. Venn .. .. 4	Alan R. Pink .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. Tipler.

Conducted by Alan R. Pink.

A peal of welcome to the new incumbent, the Rev. K. Weston.

**KIRTLINGTON, Oxon.**—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

*On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5184 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

Comprising 768 each of Bristol, London and Rutland, 576 each of Cambridge, Pudsey, Lincolnshire, Superlative and Yorkshire, with 144 changes of method.

Peter J. Heritage .. .. Treble	J. Keith Ward .. .. 5
Frederick R. Scott .. .. 2	Edward R. Venn .. .. 6
*Gordon W. Land .. .. 3	*Anthony R. Peake .. .. 7
*Bruce Wakefield .. .. 4	*Victor Griffin .. .. Tenor

Composed by Norman Smith.

Conducted by Anthony R. Peake.

\* First of Major in eight methods.

**THE OXFORD SOCIETY.**

**APPLETON, Berkshire.**—At the Church of St. Lawrence.

*On Tues., Sept. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5079 STEDMAN CATERERS**

Walter F. Judge .. .. Treble	Christopher C. Clarke .. 6
Philip Walker .. .. 2	Edward R. Venn .. .. 7
John W. T. Hibbert .. .. 3	Edgar J. Smith .. .. 8
J. Richard Chaundy .. .. 4	Francis A. White .. .. 9
J. Howard R. Freeborn .. 5	Brian R. White .. .. Tenor

Composed by Charles W. Roberts.

Conducted by Walter F. Judge.

A farewell peal to the ringer of fifth who is leaving to reside at Cambridge.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**LEIRE, Leicestershire.**—At the Church of St. Peter.

*On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

Being eight methods in the following seven extents: (1) Northumberland, (2) Carlisle, (3) London, (4) Wells, (5) York, (6) Cambridge, (7) Beverley and Surlfleet.

Graham C. Paul .. .. Treble	Barry E. Saunders .. .. 4
James Linnell .. .. 2	Charles E. Truman .. .. 5
Roger W. Smith .. .. 3	Alan A. Paul .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Alan A. Paul.

First peal of Surprise as conductor.

A birthday compliment to George Foddy.

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CLAYBROOKE PARVA, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5024 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb. in E flat.

Roger W. Smith .. .. Treble	*Barry E. Saunders .. .. 5
*Graham C. Paul .. .. 2	James Linnell .. .. 6
Barrie Hendry .. .. 3	Charles E. Truman .. .. 7
Alan A. Paul .. .. 4	George W. Holland .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. Sedgley.

Conducted by Graham C. Paul.

\* First peal in the method.

A birthday compliment to Thomas E. Roberts.

DAVENTRY, Northants.—At the Church of the Holy Cross.

On Sun., Sept. 13, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

### A PEAL OF 5056 STRATFORD SURPRISE MAJOR

Twenty-nine course block, adapted.

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.

Patrick I. Chapman .. .. Treble	Graham C. Paul .. .. 5
Diana M. Frost .. .. 2	Alan J. Frost .. .. 6
Alan A. Paul .. .. 3	Barrie Hendry .. .. 7
Malcolm J. V. Chown .. .. 4	Peter Border .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Peter Border.

First peal in the method by all.

FINEDON, Northants.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in D.

Mary R. Bloxam .. .. Treble	*Richard J. Cowley .. .. 5
Anthony D. Sansom .. .. 2	*Edward C. Buckby .. .. 6
Eric J. Chapman .. .. 3	Denis G. Pearson .. .. 7
Sheila J. Staley .. .. 4	†Murray A. Coleman .. .. Tenor

Composed by Nolan Golden.

Conducted by Murray A. Coleman.

\* First peal. † 75th peal.

Rung for the Patronal Festival, and first peal on the bells since rehanging.

WICKEN, Northants.—At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist.

On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 3 Hours.

### A PEAL OF 5184 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb. in F.

William P. Yates .. .. Treble	Alan A. Paul .. .. 5
Charles E. Truman .. .. 2	Barry E. Saunders .. .. 6
Graham C. Paul .. .. 3	James Linnell .. .. 7
Roger W. Smith .. .. 4	George E. Green .. .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

Conducted by George E. Green.

First peal in the method by all except the treble ringer. First in the method on the bells.

Rung as a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Green.

### THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

GOTHAM, Notts.—At the Church of St. Lawrence.

On Tues., Sept. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in six methods: (1-21) Spliced April Day, Seighford and Litchurch, (22-42) Spliced Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston and St. David's.

Tenor 7 cwt. 5 lb. in G.

Margaret E. Chilton .. .. Treble	Ruth Blackshaw .. .. 3
C. Raymond Larkin .. .. 2	George A. Dawson .. .. 4

Maurice W. Harrison .. .. Tenor

Conducted by George A. Dawson.

A 21st birthday compliment to James W. Taylor, of Gedling.

### THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

BUXHALL, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Double Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., Plain and Cambridge Surprise.

Tenor 15 cwt. 7 lb. in 7 sharp.

Cecil W. Pipe .. .. Treble	Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 4
Alice E. J. Lester .. .. 2	Ernest G. Pearce .. .. 5
Robert E. Lester .. .. 3	Andrew T. Beckwith .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Cecil W. Pipe.

### THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

SWANSEA, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5056 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 20 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb. in E.

Edmund J. Morris .. .. Treble	Nicholas W. H. Simon .. .. 5
Hazel Way .. .. 2	Roger G. Havard .. .. 6
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 3	David J. Llewellyn .. .. 7
Gwyn I. Lewis .. .. 4	Brian J. Woodruffe .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. Sedgley (3a).

Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

First peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major on the bells, for the Guild and by all, except the conductor. The conductor's 500th peal.

BAGLAN, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Catherine.

On Sun., Sept. 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 STEPNEY BOB MINOR

Seven different extents.

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in G.

Edmund J. Morris .. .. Treble	Gwyn I. Lewis .. .. 4
Hazel Way .. .. 2	Brian J. Woodruffe .. .. 5
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 3	David J. Llewellyn .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

First peal in the method by all, on the bells and for the Guild.

First peal on the bells since rehanging in 1963.

### THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

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

On Mon., Aug. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5088 DORCHESTER SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 21 lb. in G sharp.

Leonard Stilwell .. .. Treble	Peter J. Joyce .. .. 5
E. Jane Sibson .. .. 2	Brian J. Luff .. .. 6
Edgar R. Rapley .. .. 3	Derek E. Sibson .. .. 7
Stanley G. Ponting .. .. 4	W. Leslie Weller .. .. Tenor

Composed by Roger Baldwin.

Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.

First peal in the method by all the band except the conductor.

COLEMAN'S HATCH, Sussex.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours.

### A PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in G.

*Douglas Snoswell .. .. Treble	*Anthony Jackson .. .. 5
*Herbert W. Woolven .. .. 2	*John A. Howard .. .. 6
*Valerie J. Howard .. .. 3	W. Arthur Riddington .. .. 7
*Derek Slater .. .. 4	Frank H. Hicks .. .. Tenor

Composed by William Harrison.

Conducted by W. Arthur Riddington.

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

In memory of Albert Arthur Hughes.

### THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

WORCESTER.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb. in F.

Thomas W. Lewis .. .. Treble	John C. Slater .. .. 5
*Janet S. Evenden .. .. 2	John J. Stanier .. .. 6
Hugh Neill .. .. 3	David Beacham .. .. 7
M. Roger Ashmore .. .. 4	George E. Evenden .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. A. Trollope.

Conducted by George E. Evenden.

\* First peal.

A 21st birthday compliment to Roger Ashmore.

BISHAMPTON, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Fri., Sept. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Arthur A. Jopp .. .. Treble	Ian Lloyd .. .. 4
Andrew Jopp .. .. 2	James Attwood .. .. 5
Ralph Perks .. .. 3	Arthur Berry .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Arthur Berry.

Rung as a tribute to the Rev. Thomas Wilkinson, Vicar of Bishampton since 1932, on retirement.

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb.

### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

PATRINGTON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Patrick.

On Sat., Sept. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 24 lb. in G.

Arthur B. Cooper .. .. Treble	†F. Charles Hobson .. .. 5
*Ronald Ducker .. .. 2	†Ian G. Campbell .. .. 6
John S. Rank .. .. 3	†David S. Johnson .. .. 7
†Richard D. Gibson .. .. 4	Wilfrid F. Moreton .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. Law James.

Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.

\* First peal of Surprise Major. † First peal in the method.

In memory of David A. Fewster, ringer at this church for many years.

HEADINGLEY, Leeds, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

Allen Twyman .. .. Treble	A. W. Alan Leggett .. .. 5
Kenneth B. Sissons .. .. 2	David Smith .. .. 6
Frances Fairbank .. .. 3	J. Neville Parkin .. .. 7
Colin Reeves .. .. 4	J. Henry Fielden .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by J. Henry Fielden.

## HANDBELL PEALS

### THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

HAWKSHEAD, Lancs.—At Betty Fold.

On Thurs., Sept. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor size 15 in G.

Robin Shuttleworth .. 1-2	*Mrs. Mary Whalley .. 3-4
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\*Joseph Whalley (cond.) 5-6

\* First peal in hand.

### MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

HARROW, Middlesex.—At 170, Headstone Lane.

On Tues., Sept. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 15 methods, comprising 640 of Rutland and 320 each of Bristol, Cambridge, Ealing, Eastcote, Elford, Leatherhead, Lincolnshire, London, Pudsey, Superlative, Uxbridge, Watford, Wembley and Yorkshire, with 134 changes of method.

Tenor size 15 in C.

*Thomas J. Lock .. 1-2	John R. Mayne .. 5-6
Christopher W. Woolley 3-4	†Frank C. Price .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by John R. Mayne.

\* First peal of 15-Spliced on handbells. † First peal of 15-Spliced.



# QUARTER PEALS

**ALDRINGTON, SUSSEX.**—On September 16th, 1,296 Cambridge Minor: B. J. Stone 1, Miss A. Grainger 2, R. I. Vaughan 3, A. W. Bond 4, J. C. Baldwin 5, D. P. Treble (1st of Surprise as cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to Miss A. Grainger.

**ASH, SURREY.**—On September 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Susan Brown 1, C. J. Ha wood 2, Joan Reynr 3, Angela Hawes 4, J. Collier 5, P. G. Sherwood (cond.) 6. Rung as a farewell to the Rector, the Rev. H. M. Inley, and his family on their leaving Ash for Great and Little Kimble, Bucks.

**ASHWICK, SOMERSET.**—On September 15th, 1,260 Minor (720 Kent, 540 Plain Bob): P. W. Gay (cond.) 1, Sheila Hallett 2, Ruth Gay 3, Monica Horseman 4, G. Salmon 5, M. Heymann 6. First in two Minor methods for 2 and 3.

**BEXHILL-ON-SEA, SUSSEX.**—On September 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Vitter 1, A. Baldock 2, Christine Fuller (cond.) 3, M. Swift 4, A. Hicks 5, R. Viter 6. Also on September 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (rung with 7, 6, 8 cover): D. L. Farr 1, G. Gunston 2, A. Baldock (cond.) 3, J. Ashraf 4, I. Smith 5, C. Pibeam 6, W. Binsted 7, R. Viter 8. Rung for the 25th anniversary of the ordination of the Rector, the Rev. M. Townroe.

**BLACKMOOR, HANTS.**—On September 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: M. Houahine 1, Lesley Real (first as cond.) 2, Patricia Smith (first 'inside') 3, K. Sarsom 4, D. M. Hughes 5, B. C. Kercher 6. Arranged as a compliment to the conductor for her 15th birthday.

**BLEWURY, BERKS.**—On September 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Corderoy 1, H. W. Dunsden 2, A. H. Webb 3, E. J. Grace 4, H. Wells 5, H. G. Aldridge 6, R. B. Blond (cond.) 7, C. Corderoy 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Reginald Green, church worker for many years, whose funeral took place this day.

**BREDFIELD, SUFFOLK.**—On Sunday, September 13th, 1,296 Cambridge Minor: C. R. Lovett 1, Sylvia R. E. Pipe 2, Brenda Downing 3, C. W. Pipe (cond.) 4, R. Downing 5, E. G. Pearce 6.

**BRISTOL.**—At St. Ambrose's, on September 13th, 1,344 Stedman Triples: P. Williams (first of Stedman) 1, Miss G. M. Hussey 2, B. A. Shackleton 3, F. J. Sampson 4, A. C. Baker 5, J. H. Taylor 6, R. G. Hooper (cond.) 7, D. J. Hunt 8. Rung half-muffled prior to the memorial service for Mtry Smith, Guide captain of St. Ambrose's.

**CHARMINSTER, DORSET.**—On September 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss Terha Barnett 1, J. Vardy 2, G. Abbott 3, R. Sturmev 4, F. Simmonds 5, J. W. Rose 6, E. H. Amey (cond.) 7, V. Furnage 8. Rung as a compliment to Mr. F. Stedman, captain of the Wyke Regis ringers, on his 90th birthday.

**CHATHAM, KENT.**—On September 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. T. Davidson 1, W. A. J. Knight (cond.) 2, C. E. J. Norris 3, C. T. Osenton 4, G. Philpot 5, L. Crouch 6, C. S. Jarrett 7, G. S. Evans 8.

**CHEWTON MENDIP, SOMERSET.**—On September 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss J. Battin 1, Mrs. M. J. De Jong 2, S. Woodcock 3, H. Baber 4, L. R. G. Taylor 5, R. Curtis 6, H. L. Parfrey (cond.) 7, Mrs. H. L. Parfrey 8. First quarter peal of Triples inside for the ringer of the 6th.

**CHIGWELL, ESSEX.**—On September 11th, 1,260 Minor (Cambridge Surprise, Plain Bob): Penelope Fox 1, A. Crowson 2, C. Wright (first in 2 methods) 3, A. Faulkner 4, D. Ellisdon 5, D. Hewitt 6. A wedding compliment to Gordon Lonsdale and Jane Perry-Griffin, married on September 5th.

**CHURCH LENCH, WORCS.**—On September 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss P. L. Howells 1, M. Powell 2, A. P. White 3, A. C. Berry 4, C. B. Dove 5, P. Catermole 6. Believed to be the first quarter on the bells for at least 30 years.

**COGENHOE, NORTHANTS.**—On September 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Sarah Goodbody (first quarter) 1, B. Vickers 2, R. Cowley 3, E. Buckley 4, T. Smith 5, D. Pearson (cond.) 6.

**COLESHILL, WARWICKSHIRE.**—On September 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: L. L. Willis 1, Mrs. D. Bennett 2, K. Taylor 3, D. L. Hooper 4, D. L. Lloyd 5, E. Hill 6, G. Lane (cond.) 7, H. Walker 8. Also on September 13th, quarter peal of Plain Bob Major: Miss R. Morgan 1, Mrs. M. Pratt 2, K. Taylor 3, D. L. Lloyd 4, R. D. Hunt 5, D. Ingram 6, D. L. Hooper 7, G. Pratt (cond.) 8. Rung as a farewell to the Rev. S. R. Marriott.

**CRANFIELD, BEDS.**—On September 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Pauline Hillson 1, D. R. Minton 2, Elizabeth Manton 3, G. Holman 4, D. W. Manton (cond.) 5. First in the method for all.

**DUNCASTER, YORKS.**—At St. George's on Aug. 23rd, 1,280 Spliced Plain and Little Bob Major: T. D. Spencer 1, Miss M. Battram 2, W. E. Critchley (cond.) 3, J. Thorley 4, F. A. Staveley 5, E. Dalingwater 6, J. McCluskey 7, R. V. Clarke 8.

**EAST ARDSLEY, YORKS.**—On September 16th, 1,280 Bristol Surprise Major: D. Banks 1, Miss I. Lemare 2, Mrs. R. Niblett 3, F. C. Hobson 4, G. Bryant 5, D. H. Niblett 6, J. H. Fielden 7, W. F. Moreton (cond.) 8. First in method for 3 and 4.

**EASTHAM, CHESHIRE.**—On September 20th, 1,260 Minor (720 Single Oxford, 540 Plain Bob): Colinda Dearden 1, T. Pope 2, Mrs. K. C. Edwards 3, R. W. Winstanley 4, B. C. W. Jenks 5, K. C. Edwards (cond.) 6. First quarter for 1 and 2. Rung for Evening Prayer, and as a compliment to Rev. L. Lewis, ordained to the priesthood in Chester Cathedral the same morning.

**EXETER, DEVON.**—At the Cathedral, on September 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. R. J. Bowden 1, D. Exell 2, P. J. Joyce 3, R. J. Bowden 4, G. E. Thofay 5, R. C. Kipping 6, J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 7, F. D. Mck 8. Rung on the back eight in memory of E. M. Joyce Atkins, General Secretary of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers, 1956-1964.

**KYNESBURY, HUNTS.**—On September 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Woolven (cond.) 1, Miss M. E. Edwards 2, W. A. R. Chamberlain 3, A. R. Bridges 4, A. T. Hawkins 5, G. E. Bonham 6.

**FARMBOURGH, SOMERSET.**—On September 6th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: M. Horseman (cond.) 1, Rosemary Smith 2, K. Baker (first of Stedman) 3, J. Fray 4, A. Perry 5, J. Coombs 6. For Matins.

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**FINCHLEY, MIDDLESEX.**—On September 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor with 6-8 covering: J. Beetlestone (first quarter away from tenor) 1, Miss D. Robotham (first quarter 'inside' to Minor) 2, Mrs. E. Richardson 3, A. Richardson 4, A. Warren 5, P. Taylor 6, B. Wallis (cond.) 7, W. Harwin 8. For Evensong.

**FRINDSBURY, KENT.**—On September 19th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: C. T. Osenton 1, W. A. J. Knight (cond.) 2, B. R. Trill 3, C. E. J. Norris 4, L. Crouch 5, G. Philpot 6, C. S. Jarrett 7, G. S. Evans 8.

**GREAT TEW, OXON.**—On September 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: L. Clifton 1, J. Benfield 2, R. Jarvis 3, R. Taplin 4, H. Hyde 5, A. Leach 6, I. Harris (cond.) 7, T. Clifton 8. Rung as a compliment to the ringer of the treble on his 77th birthday, having now completed 64 years as a Sunday service ringer in the same tower.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On September 13th, 1,320 All Saints Doubles: J. Dowse 1, M. W. Harrison 2, R. Blackshaw (cond.) 3, J. Heap 4, R. Larkin 5. Rung for Evensong. Also on September 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Barker 1, J. Dowse 2, R. Blackshaw 3, M. W. Harrison 4, J. Heaps (cond.) 5, R. Larkin 6. Rung for Evensong and for the christening of Stephen Raymond Foster and Michael George Barker.

**HORBURY, YORKS.**—On September 2nd, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: Mrs. I. Lemare 1, D. Banks (first of Surprise) 2, Miss L. Gott 3, J. H. Fielden 4, P. Woodward 5, F. C. Hobson 6, D. H. Niblett 7, W. F. Moreton (cond.) 8.

**HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.**—On September 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Goodchild 1, S. J. Smith 2, K. Seymour 3, C. Hagger 4, W. Avery 5, R. G. Hazell (cond.) 6. Rung by Lane End ringers in memory of Mr. Jack Rich, a friend, who wished his memorial to be donations to the Lane End Church Bell Fund.

**KNEBWORTH, HERTFORDSHIRE.**—On September 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. W. Childs 1, Rosemary A. Spicer 2, A. A. F. Peters 3, P. J. Crane 4, C. A. Critchley (cond.) 5, G. W. Critchley 6. First quarter 2 and 3.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Dines', on September 12th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: J. Tomsett 1, Miss M. E. Powell 2, Miss M. Lewis 3, Mrs. C. Mould 4, D. Wilson 5, A. M. Stacey 6, E. G. Mould 7, A. Fulwell 8, W. G. Wilson (cond.) 9, W. Oatway 10. For Matins.

**LONG SUTTON, SOMERSET.**—On September 18th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: H. E. G. Jeanes 1, A. H. Reed 2, N. J. Maggs 3, E. T. P. Field 4, Rev. C. J. B. Marshall (cond.) 5, W. E. Turner 6.

**LYMPE, KENT.**—On September 20th, 1,260 Doubles (Norfolk, Reverse Canterbury, Kennington, Folk, April Day, Old Doubles, Southrepps, Cadbury, Penworth, Plain Bob, Grandsire): M. Malmcon 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, Myrtle Cook 3, R. P. Bretherton 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, D. Gower 6. For Evensong.

**MAIDENHEAD, BERKS.**—On September 18th, at All Saints', Boyne Hill, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Lister 1, G. Lister 2, Miss D. Hague 3, Mrs. P. Gibson 4, D. Young 5, E. Gosling (cond.) 6, B. Lister 7, J. Norsworthy 8. Rung for the emerald wedding (55 years) of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Lister, parents of the ringers of 2nd and 7th, and grandparents of the treble ringer.

**MARCH, CAMBS.**—On Sunday, September 20th, 1,290 Cambridge Surprise Minor: A. Palmer 1, Mrs. D. Davis 2, P. H. Langton 3, D. Davis 4, D. Peck 5, T. A. Bevis (cond.) 6. For Morning Prayer.

**NECTON, NORFOLK.**—On September 18th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: G. Jeffery 1, P. J. Woodcock (cond.) 2, A. R. Wife 3, S. H. Waterfield 4, W. J. Bailey 5, R. Harmer 6. Rung before the service to open the flower festival.

**SONNING, BERKS.**—On September 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: S. J. Atkins 1, M. J. Smith 2, D. C. Willis 3, H. Smith 4, A. N. Willis (cond.) 5, R. Hunt 6. First quarter 1 and 3. First as cond.

**SOUTHGATE, N.**—At Christ Church, on Sept. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Monica Moore 1, Margaret Moore (first quarter of Minor 'inside') 2, S. G. Peck 3, W. Wainwright 4, L. G. Gates 5, J. Weaver (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.**—On Aug. 23rd, 1,250 Minor (720 Kent T.B., 540 Plain Bob): Carol L. Norman 1, B. G. Warwick (cond.) 2, Carol I. V. Corton 3, M. G. Wood 4, D. W. Stenson 5, R. K. Stretton 6. For Festal Evensong on the eve of St. Bartholomew. Also on Aug. 30th, 1,440 Doubles (6 methods): June E. Wood 1, Mrs. B. G. Warwick 2, Carol I. V. Corton 3, N. W. Grassby 4, B. G. Warwick (cond.) 5, M. P. Brown 6. For Evensong. And on Sept. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: June E. Wood 1, B. G. Warwick 2, A. R. Mildred 3, Mrs. B. G. Warwick 4, D. W. Stenson 5, Carol I. V. Corton (cond.) 6, K. H. Mildred 7, M. P. Brown 8. For Evensong. A farewell to B. G. Warwick, Ringing Master since 1953, and his wife.

**STOURBRIDGE, WORCS.**—At St. Thomas' Church, on September 13th, 1,250 Lincolnshire Surprise Major: Mrs. R. Smith 1, M. D. Fellows 2, P. L. Bill 3, R. Smith 4, G. Westwood 5, J. C. Eisel 6, M. J. Fellows (cond.) 7, P. W. Webb 8. Rung by the local band for Evensong on Battle of Britain Sunday.

**STRATTON, CORNWALL.**—On September 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. Sangwin 1, H. Heard 2, W. R. White 3, E. Nunn 4, B. R. Walton 5, H. Stacy (cond.) 6, J. W. Sangwin 7, J. Hockridge 8.

**TOTTENHOE, BEDS.**—On September 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Christine Smith 1, J. Sinfeld (cond.) 2, R. Stripp 3, R. J. Scott 4, J. L. Cloughton 5, A. G. Stripp 6, I. M. Knox 7, W. G. Gladman 8. To celebrate the dedication of the new furniture and decoration of the church by the Bishop of St. Albans.

**WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.**—On September 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: I. L. Dear 1, Sally Cobb 2, D. E. Cobb (cond.) 3, June Whitcher 4, H. Duncan 5, R. Durrant 6, R. J. Chapman 7, D. S. Billmore 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mr. Jack Chapman, a patron of the living and sometime churchwarden of Waltham Abbey.

**WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.**—On August 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss H. Gamble (first quarter) 1, D. Wright 2, P. Chapman 3, T. Coles 4, A. Boyack 5, C. Wright 6, D. Hewitt (cond.) 7, J. Rixon 8.

**WELLINGTON, HEREFORDSHIRE.**—On September 17th, 1,260 St. Simon's, St. Martin's Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: Angela Jay 1, Julie A. V. Caligari 2, Christine Jay 3, Peter Caligari 4, M. C. W. Sherwood (cond.) 5, G. T. Cousins 6. Rung to mark the 2nd anniversary of the formation of the local band, and the 47th wedding anniversary of the parents of the tenor-man.

**WENTWORTH, YORKS.**—On September 13th, 1,320 Doubles (11 methods): D. E. Hunton 1, A. King 2, M. A. Beaumont 3, M. King 4, M. R. Meadows (cond.) 5, A. Beaumont 6. For Evensong on Battle of Britain Sunday and a farewell quarter to R. K. Cooke, lay reader of the parish.

**WOODBRIDGE, SUFFOLK.**—On September 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. W. Pipe (cond.) 1, R. E. Lester 2, A. S. Woodward 3, Sylvia R. E. Pipe 4, E. G. Pearce 5, A. Hartley 6, L. N. Melton 7, R. W. Pipe 8.

**WOODFORD, ESSEX.**—On July 3rd, 1,280 Kent T.B. Major: T. Sharpe 1, C. Hughes 2, A. Faulkner 3, A. Crowson 4, J. Laken 5, D. Hewitt 6, D. Ellisdon (cond.) 7, D. Baker 8.



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### SILVER WEDDING

**HAZELL-JARRALD.**—Harold John Hazell to Elizabeth Jarrald, by the late Rev. E. C. Essex, at the church of St. Mary the Great, Cambridge, on September 30th, 1939. 5456

### DEATH

**IRELAND.**—On September 21st, 1964, in Royal Adelaide Hospital, Australia, Jean (née Dawson) aged 28 years. The beloved wife of Frank and dear daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dawson of Lodge Bank, Pendle Road, Clitheroe, Lancs. 5466

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**ST. MARY'S, READING.**—Annual Dinner and half-day outing November 21st. All friends very welcome. Please write for details to Miss P. Buss, 2, Derby Road, Caversham, Reading, before October 19th. 5472

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**HOWARD.**—Mr. Harry W. Howard, of Beverley, Lime Avenue, Leftwich Northwich, Cheshire, is now on the telephone at home. The number being Northwich 2263. 5435

**STURRY, KENT.**—A fund has been opened to provide a Memorial to the late Mr. H. R. French. It is hoped to erect a small plaque and redecorate the clock face of St. Nicholas' Church, where he rang and worshipped for over 30 years. Donations please to Mr. Dungey, 28, Pope's Lane, Sturry, Canterbury. 5437

**ST. LAURENCE'S CHURCH READING.**—All peal attempts are booked for 1965.—V. Cherrill. 5487

### MEETINGS

**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Warwick Archdeaconry District.—Meeting, October 3rd. Aston Cantlow bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Henley-in-Arden bells 6.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. H. A. Woodfield, 2, Peartree Gardens, Aston Cantlow, Solihull (Tel. Great Alne 342). Accommodation limited to 30.—P. Bennett, Dis. Sec. 5421

**DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting at Newcastle on Saturday, October 3rd. Business meeting 4 p.m., service 5.15, both at Cathedral. Tea 6 at Bainbridge's. Ringing: Fenham, 2-3; St. Stephen's, 2.30-3.30; Jesmond, 7.30-9, and Cathedral, 7-9 p.m. Names for tea (approx. 6s.) by previous day to D. A. Bayles, 12, Crichton Avenue, Chester-le-Street. **HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Quarterly meeting, October 3rd at Codicote, 3 p.m. Names for tea to E. Buck, 13, The Rise, Baldock. 3415

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—Annual general meeting at Ashford, Saturday, October 3rd. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Miss M. Jones, 30, Park Road, Ashford. (Recordings of ringing at Washington Cathedral to be heard, by arrangement with Mr. H. Parks.)—C. T. H. 5366

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—Annual District meeting at Sevenoaks on Saturday, October 3rd. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. W. H. Dobbie, 13, Baltic Road, Tonbridge. 5406

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Devon Branch.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Ottery St. Mary, Saturday, October 3rd. Bells (8) at 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Sidbury may be available in the evening. Names for tea to Mr. C. Turner, Hillcote, Ottery St. Mary, St. Devon, Dis. Sec. 5428

**SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Meeting at Rawmarsh, Saturday, October 3rd. Bells from 4 p.m.; Wentworth bells also available 2.30 till 3.45. Names for tea please to Mr. G. W. Pilkington, 5, Arthur Place, Rawmarsh, near Rotherham.—J. Seager, Sec. 4516

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Nottingham District.—Meeting Saturday, October 3rd. Nottingham St. Mary (10) from 2.30 p.m.; St. Peter's (10) 6 p.m. Own tea arrangements.—S. Adams. 5427

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (Northern Division) and **SURREY ASSOCIATION** (Southern Division):—Joint meeting at Worth (6), on Saturday, October 3rd. Bells available from 5.39 p.m. No arrangements for tea. Special method Double Court Minor.—E. L. Hairs and G. A. West, Hon. Div. Secs. 5396

**SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Central District.—Meeting St. David's, Llanfaes, on October 3rd. Bells at 2.30. Service at 4. Tea (2s. 6d. each) and meet to follow. Names for tea to M. R. Thomas, 7, Wheat Street, Brecon.—M. R. T. 5389

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practice meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube station) on Monday, October 5th at 7 p.m.

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ilkeston District.—Meeting at Denby, Friday, October 9th, 7.30 p.m.—D. J. Marshall, Sec.

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Taunton Branch.—Practice meeting, Saturday, October 10th, Bradford-on-Tone. Bells 7 p.m. A. H. Reid, Hon. Sec. 5471

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Frome Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Doulting Saturday, October 10th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea please to Mr. A. Kingston, Fairview, Doulting, Shepton Mallett.—E. Chivers, Chilcompton. 5452

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Winford (6) Saturday, October 10th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30; tea 5 p.m. followed by business. Names for tea by October 8th please.—D. G. Yeo, Estune, Brockway, Nailsea. 5318

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Quarterly general meeting at Clowne on October 10th (please note change of date). Bells available: Barlborough (6) 2.30-4; Clowne (6) 3.30-4.30 and 6-7.30; Creswell (8) 7-9. Service at Clowne 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea, please, by Wednesday, October 7th, to Mr. G. Hunt, 9, East Street, Clowne, Chesterfield.—B. P. Morris, Gen. Sec. 5433

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD OF RINGERS.**—Exeter Branch.—Meeting Newton St. Cyres on Saturday, October 10th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea at Crown and Sceptre 4.45 p.m. Meeting following.—G. Skinner. 5301

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Joint meeting of Ely and Cambridgeshire Districts with Cambridge University Guild at Longstanton, on Saturday, October 10th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30, tea 5 p.m. Ringing until 8.30. 5441

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—N.E. District.—Meeting at Great Tey, Saturday, October 10th. Bells (8) 2.30. Service 4.30. Names for tea to J. W. Dyer, 2, Guild Hall Cottages, The Chase, Great Tey, Colchester. 5447

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.W. District.—Quarterly meeting at Thorpe Bay, October 10th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Prittlewell (10) from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to M. Mawbey, Rosecrae, Barling Road, Great Wakering. 5376

**GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.**—East Devon Branch.—A meeting will be held on Saturday, October 10th, at Stockland. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Numbers for tea by October 7th to Mr. C. Joyce, Waverley, Stockland, Honiton.—W. Webb, Sec. 5355

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—Redbourne (6), Sat., October 10th. Bells 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to G. Read ng, 57, Hempstead Rd., Redbourne. 5464

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—Annual District meeting at Maidstone, Saturday, October 10th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. L. Cullingworth, 45, Holtye Crescent, Maidstone.—T. A. Cross, Dis. Sec. 5453

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Furness, and Lake District Branch.—Half yearly and business meeting, Hawkshead, October 10th. Bells 2.30. Names for tea to Mr. R. Shuttleworth, Hawkshead Hill Ambleside. Meeting after tea.—T. F. Metcalfe Branch Sec. 5463

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The striking competition will be held on Saturday, October 10th, at 3 p.m. 6-bell section at St. Leonard's, Walton-le-Dale. 8-bell section at All Saints', Higher Walton. Buffet tea from 4 p.m. at Walton-le-Dale. Names to L. Walmesley Leyland Motors Ltd. Leyland.—F. Reynolds Gen. Sec. 5439

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Branch.—Meeting October 10th, at St. Mary's, Walton. Ringing 3 p.m.-4.30 p.m. and after meeting, service 4.30 p.m., tea 5 p.m. Names to Mr. Jackson, 77, Bedford Road, Liverpool 4. 5478

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—Meeting at St. Peter's, Newton-le-Willows, Saturday, October 10th at 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Mawdsley, 51, Birley Street, Newton-le-Willows.—D. R. Jones, Hon. Sec. 5477

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Syston District.—Meeting at Swithland (6) October 10th. Bells 3 p.m. tea and meeting in Village Hall 4.45 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. R. Brown, 34, Swithland Lane, Rothley, by October 7th.—R. R. Brown, Hon. Sec. 5480



**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**—Loughborough District.—Monthly meeting, October 10th, at Woodhouse Eaves. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at church rooms. Names for tea to Mr. F. Chambers, 24, Main St., Woodhouse Eaves, Loughborough, Leics. 5400

**LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION**—Monmouth Branch.—Meeting at Usk, October 10th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea please to Mr. L. Jones, Heathfield, Monmouth Road, Usk, Mon.—J. S. King. 5450

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—(N. and E. District).—Saturday, October 10th, St. Vedast, Foster Lane, E.C.2, 3.15 p.m.—4.45 p.m. Own tea arrangements. Bishopsgate bells available from 6.15.—E. H. Kilby, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5451

**MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD**.—Meeting at Rolleston-on-Dove, Saturday, October 10th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. tea 5 p.m. All welcome. 5458

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Newbury Branch.—Annual general meeting, Newbury, Saturday, October 10th. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to W. Hunt, 5, Cheriton Close, Newbury, by Wednesday, October 7th. 5483

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Thrapston Branch.—Meeting October 10th, at Aldwincle. Usual arrangements. Wadenhoe available after business meeting.—F. Coales, Twywell, Kettering. 5446

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Wellingborough Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Stanwick, Saturday, October 10th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea previous Tuesday to Mr. E. A. Knight, Langwood Cottage, Stanwick, near Wellingborough. Raunds bells available from 7.30 p.m. 5440

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Kettering Branch.—Quarterly meeting October 10th, Pychley (5). Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15 Isham (6) available 7 p.m. Names for tea to R. F. Roe, 14, Stringers Hill, Pychley, by Monday previous. All welcome. 5479

**SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION**—A meeting will be held at Edmond, on Saturday, October 10th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Miss M. Cotton, 6, Silverdale, Edmond, Newport, Salop. Ringing after tea until 8 p.m.—E. Morris. 5454

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**—Bingham District.—Meeting at Gedling, October 10th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30, tea 5. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to Mr. J. Dawson, 33, Cambridge Street, Carlton, Nottingham.—R. Blackshaw. 5468

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD** (North Notts District) and **LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD** (West Lindsey Branch).—Joint meeting at North Wheatley (6), Saturday, October 10th. Service at 4.15. Names for tea by 6th Mr. J. P. Wright, Eastfield, North Wheatley, Retford.—H. Denman and G. A. Lunn. 5424

**SUFFOLK GUILD**—North West District.—Annual general meeting at Barrow (5), Saturday, October 10th. Bells 2.30 to 9 p.m. Service at 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Meeting follows. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. G. E. Rawlings, Dale Tree Cottage, Barrow, Bury St. Edmunds, by Wednesday, October 7th.—A. F. Ballam, Dis. Sec. 5438

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD**.—Alton and Petersfield District.—Practice meeting to be held at East Meon on Saturday, October 10th. Bells 6.30 to 8.30 p.m. 5470

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Snowdon Dinner, York, Saturday, October 10th. Tickets 17s. Application with names to Miss Wilkinson, 10, St. Oswald's Road, York, before October 7th. Ringing: Escrick (8) 11 to 1; Huntington (6) 2 to 3.30; Acomb (6) 1.30 to 3.30; Minster (12) 2.30 to 3.55 and 4.45 to 5.45; Inst. of Architectural Study (6) 2.30 to 3.30 and 5 to 6. Evenson in the Minster at 4. 5422

**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Quarterly meeting on Saturday, October 17th, at Monks Kirby. Bells 2.30, service 4.30, tea, 5 p.m. Names for tea, which is at the Denhigh Arms, by 14th at latest, to J. L. Garner-Hayward, Lowfold, Ashorne, Warwick. 5481

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Leatherhead District.—Meeting at Banstead, October 17th. Ringing at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. followed by tea and meeting. Notifications for tea by October 14th, to Mr. H. N. Pitstow, Saffron, High Street, Banstead, Surrey. 5402

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**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Canterbury District.—Annual meeting, Saturday, October 17th. St. Dunstan's, Canterbury. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.15 p.m., tea follows in Church Hall, business meeting afterwards. Other ringing arrangements available on receipt of S.A.E. Those requiring tea please notify by previous Wednesday to District Secretary, Mr. T. C. Phillimore, 47, Peter's Grove, Canterbury. 5469

**LADIES' GUILD** (Central District), **OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD** (E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch) and **MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (S. and W. District).—Joint meeting, Saturday, October 17th, at St. John's, Hillingdon. Bells (10) from 3. Service 4.45 p.m., tea and evening social in St. John's Hall, Iver bells (8), 2.30–3.45. Buses 458 and 207 connect. Notifications for tea appreciated. All welcome.—Miss J. Spreadbury, Miss D. Hague and F. W. Goodfellow, 46, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks, Hon. Secs. 5473

**LEICESTER DIO. GUILD**.—Quarterly general meeting in Melton District, October 17th. Bells: Eaton (6) 2–3; Croxton Kerrial (6) 2.30–3.30; Waltham (6) 3–3.45; Melton (10) 3.30–4.10 and 6.30–8; Somerby (6) 7.30–9. Service Melton 4.15; Tea (followed by meeting) in Colles Hall (opposite church) at 5 p.m. (Adults 3s.; Juniors 2s.). Names for tea to Mrs. M. Stimson, Westfield, Somerby, Melton Mowbray, Leics, by October 13th. No name, no tea. Important business—a decision will be taken as to whether the Guild should organise a striking competition. Tickets for dinner on November 14th (17s. 6d.) will be available.—B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen. Sec. 5402

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD** (Elloe Deaneries Branch) and **ELY DIOCESAN GUILD** (Wisbech Branch).—Joint meeting at Tydd St. Mary on Saturday, October 17th. Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous, to Mr. W. L. Ketteringham, East Field, Tydd St. Mary, Wisbech, Cambs.—K. R. Davey, Hon. Dis. Sec., L.D.G. 5482

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Southern Branch.—Meeting at New Buckenham, Saturday, October 17th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, October 14th to Mr. W. G. Saunders, King Street, New Buckenham, Norwich, NOR 04X.—C. F. W. Philippo, Hon. Sec. 5459

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Banbury Branch.—Quarterly meeting Hanwell, October 17th. Bells (5) 2.30. Service 4, tea and business 4.45 p.m. Ringing at Wroxton (5) 7 p.m. Names for tea by October 14th, to G. Sturch, Council Houses, Hanwell, Banbury, Oxon. 5321

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS**.—Annual Dinner at Church House Restaurant, Great Smith Street, Westminster, S.W.1, on February 6th, 1965. Tickets available from F. J. Matthews, 6, Foxwood Road, Bean, near Dartford, Kent. 5476

**STAFFORD ARCH. SOCIETY**.—Meeting Yoxall, Saturday, October 17th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Names for tea please, by Wednesday, October 14th latest, to C. M. Smith, Roiselle, Walsall Road, Lichfield, Staffs, Tel. Lich. 2124. 5432

**UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY**.—General meeting at St. Olave's, Hart Street, vestry on October 17th. Names for tea to Hon. Sec., Miss Y. Edwards, 31, Hill Street, Netherton, Dudley, Birmingham, who will also supply ringing arrangements. First practice of term at 6.30 p.m. on October 8th at St. Olave's, Nearest tube—Tower Hill. Turn right and right again, up Seething Lane. Freshers very welcome.—R. O. Humphries. 5402

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## ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

The 327th anniversary dinner will be held at the Bridge House Restaurant, London Bridge, S.E.1, on Saturday, October 31st, at 6 for 6.30 p.m.

Tickets (27s. 6d.) are now available and since accommodation is limited, members are recommended to make early application therefor.—John Chilcott, Hon. Sec., 14, The Glebe, Hawley, near Camberley, Surrey. 5371

**SURREY ASSOCIATION**—Northern District.—Nomination meeting and handbell competition on Saturday, November 28th, at Immanuel, Streatham. Please note the revision to original date. 5460

## A BRIDE FROM PUBLOW

The wedding took place at Publow, Somerset, on September 19th of Miss Marjorie M. Mogford, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Mogford, and Geoffrey A. Hemming, of Bristol. The service was conducted by Rev. A. J. Frith, of Compton Dando, and the Rev. D. V. Clatworthy, of Publow.

The reception was at The Hall, Pensford, and over 80 guests, including ringers, attended. The bells were rung before and after the service. A peal (Surfleet, Beverley, Cambridge Minor) was lost at Publow after 2 hours 55 minutes, but one at Compton Dando was successful. F.C.M.

## THANKS

Miss Ida B. Thompson, of Nottingham, writes expressing her sincere thanks through 'The Ringing World' to the Ladies' Guild (Midland District), the Leicester ladies and all ringers and friends for the lovely flowers, birthday cake, cards and expressions of good wishes for her birthday, all of which combined to make a very happy day. The peal of Stedman Cinques by the Ladies' Guild in honour of Miss Thompson's 80th birthday was published on page 654.

## BELL RINGING AS A SPORT

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To conclude, may I recommend the younger members of the Exercise, and those of my generation who, because of other duties, missed so much in those interesting war-time 'R.W.'s, to beg or borrow copies when they can—they are full of interesting and useful articles.

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## LATE NOTICES

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD—  
Gullesborough Branch. — Meeting Ravens-  
thorpe, Saturday, October 3rd. Tea arranged.  
—J. E. Goddard. 5491

SURREY ASSOCIATION—Combined prac-  
tice at Nutfield, October 9th and November  
6th, 7.30 p.m.—G.A.W. 5484

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-  
TION—Swindon Branch.—Meeting October  
10th, Ashton Keynes, 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.; ser-  
vice. Evening ringing Cricklade 7-8 p.m.  
Names for tea, Luton, 169, Cheney Manor  
Road, Swindon. 5489

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD —  
Market Harborough District. — Meeting  
Lubenham, Saturday, October 10th. Bells  
3 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m.—L. W. Allen,  
Dis. Sec. 5485

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION —  
Meeting Saturday, October 10th. Science  
Museum, South Kensington, 2.30 p.m., de-  
monstration of Carter ringing machine, St.  
Luke's, Sydney Street, Chelsea, 5-6 p.m. St.  
Mary Abbot's, Kensington Church Street, 6.45-  
7.45 p.m. Business after meeting.—V. E.  
Dupré, Hon. Sec. 5488

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD—  
Daventry Branch.—Meeting Weedon, Satur-  
day, October 17th. Important: Names for tea  
to Mr. I. Nightingale, 11, New Croft,  
Weedon, Northampton, by Monday previous.  
—F. W. Hapcock. 5486

## QUARTER PEALS

PORTBURY, SOMERSET. — On September 5th,  
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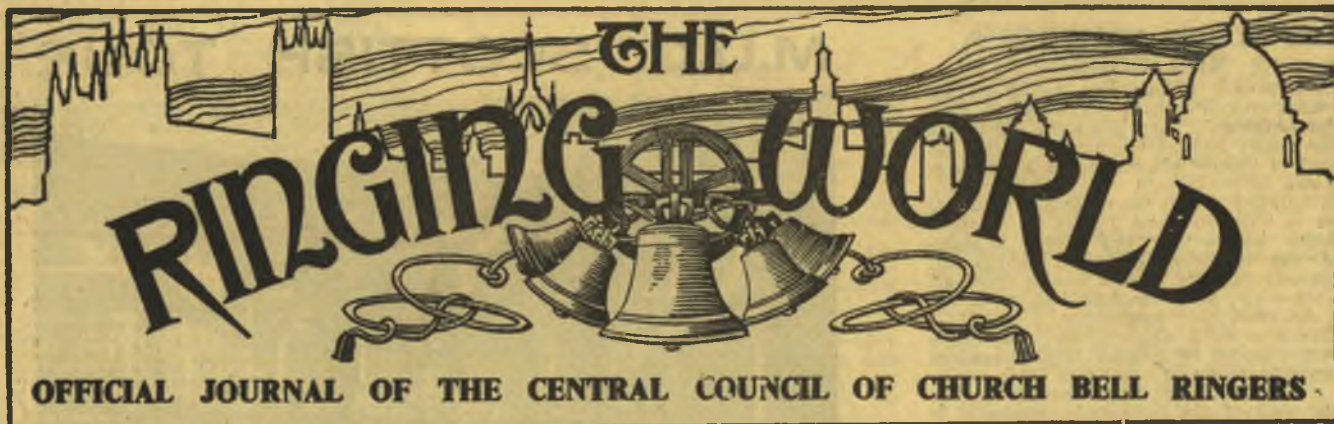
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## E. M. ATKINS

When Maurice Atkins left his devoted band at St. Augustine's, Kilburn, and settled in Teignmouth, the Guild of Devonshire Ringers knew that it had acquired a fine and enthusiastic ringer, but some of the younger among us had to find out from visitors just how great was his reputation, for you would never learn anything from Maurice himself of his achievements. When he came he found a church, St. Michael's, to which he gave the full allegiance of a most devout Christian; but the bells were seldom rung, there was no regular band, and the branch in which it lay was one of the Guild's weakest, with hardly one tower possessing a full band. During the fourteen years which followed, St. Michael's began regular Sunday change-ringing, followed by Babbacombe, Townstal, and Torre, while the Buckfast Abbey monks took up change-ringing and joined the Guild as well, so that now this is one of the keenest branches in Devon.

It was for his teaching and encouragement of learners that we shall best remember Maurice. He came to us with a notable record as a peal-ringer, composer and conductor, but unless someone searches the back-numbers of the 'Bell News' and 'Ringing World' we shall never know just what that record was. To him, peals were rung to celebrate some festival or event, to improve the standard of ringing, or to give experience and encouragement to learners; how many he personally had rung was not of the remotest importance to him. We do know that he learnt to ring at the age of 16 in the church of which his father was Vicar; that he became a leading member of the C.U.G. soon after his arrival at Cambridge; that he conducted, in 1909, a peal of Bob Minor with a band having the average age of 16—at that time probably a record; that after serving in the Royal Engineers during World War I he rang in the Officers' Peal of Grandsire Caters at Croydon; and that with the Guild of Devonshire Ringers he rang some 40 peals, most of which he conducted.

When E. J. Taylor died in 1956, we felt it almost impossible that any man could adequately fill his place as General Secretary; Maurice stepped in and as usual without any fuss maintained the standard as high as ever it had been until his health forced him to resign last year.

An unmistakable and striking figure with his fine head thrust purposefully forward, Maurice concealed behind a manner which at first sight seemed pessimistic a young-hearted gaiety which made him delightful company and a driving perseverance and faith which never admitted defeat. Those of us who took part in the many attempts to get the first peal of Surprise Major by a resident Devon band will remember well how after each failure Maurice would come out with his characteristic, 'Oh, I don't know . . .',—and then start arranging the next attempt. In the end we got it, but we would never have

got it without him. There was nothing dramatic or showy about his ringing or conducting, but he had an uncanny knack of knowing when a 'rabbit' was going to get lost just before it happened, and if a jiffle developed his seemingly abstracted state would vanish and the directions would come fast, clear and concise. For this reason he was unsurpassed at getting people through their first peals; if it were possible to keep them right he would do it, but nothing was said above what was needed.

The combination of rich knowledge and experience, deep concern for the Exercise and unshakable loyalty to his Church must have made him a most valuable member of the Central Council, on which he served with one short break from 1921 to 1953, first for the Central Northants Association and later for the Cambridge University Guild. We tried once or twice to make him representative for the Devon Guild, but typically he insisted that younger ringers should go.

The youthful buoyancy which characterised him made it hard to take him seriously when he told us that he was over 70; but last year his health became really serious and after an operation this spring he never recovered. He leaves behind him a wife and son who with generations of ringers at Cambridge and Kilburn, and one generation of Devon ringers who perhaps needed him more than any, will remember him all their lives with gratitude and pride.

J. G. M. S.

Mr. G. S. Valentine, of Duston, Northampton, writes:—  
'As one of the very few remaining old ringers who learn to ring at Isham before 1914-18 I knew E. M. A. very well. He was a good instructor to all who tried their best; and when we settled down after the war we had some very good times ringing. We could ring seven Surprise methods—then quite an achievement—and, with his assistance, regularly rang Cambridge for Sunday services.

All through the war the bells at Isham were kept ringing by the two or three men left and the young ladies taught by Maurice and believe me they could strike their bells.

I like to remember him as I last saw him at a Central Council meeting, when I was with the late G. W. Jeffs and W. Rose. We went and came home together. My happiest memories are of the ringing I had with the old ringers from London and about the country.'

Mr. W. G. Wilson writes:—

'I was deeply grieved to hear of Mr. Atkins' death. He lived at Kilburn when J. A. Trollope was teaching Ernest Turner and me to ring and was always ready to make the fourth for a handbell peal. I can see him now, sprawled in an armchair, legs outstretched, eyes closed, but all the time knowing just where the bells should be. The Exercise has lost another of its grand folk.'



## MR. SHARPE PLANNING A NEW BOOK

Mr. Frederick Sharpe has started on his next book on county bells—'The Church Bells of Herefordshire.' There are some 250 towers in the county and he has already started his list and at Fawley has discovered a 14th century bell.

His four-day visit is the subject of a feature article in 'The Hereford Times' by Marjorie Craddock, headed 'Mr. Bells Comes to Hereford.' She writes: At Brampton Abbots Mr. Sharpe was delighted to find that he could get into the tower, since the bells had previously been described as "inaccessible."

'This is a word which doesn't daunt him. I was defeated by a tower in Cardiganshire for many years until a naval man living nearby cast a line across a beam, hauled up the lightest man of the party—who happened to be the Vicar—and he was able to make firm a bosun's chair for me to go up in.'

'I've been up some 2,000 towers and really that means 2,000 stories.'

'I was once defied by an owl which was nesting there—and at close quarters an owl can look pretty ferocious. In one of the Herefordshire towers this week we had to clear jackdaws' nests from the stairs before we could get up. It is often from the twigs these birds and others bring into towers that infestation of beetle first comes.' (His companion on his tour has been that well known Herefordshire ringer, George Cousins, with whom he has stayed in Ross.)

## MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION AT NORTHAW

The present Church of St. Thomas of Canterbury, Northaw, is a comparatively modern building, having been rebuilt in 1882 following a disastrous fire which destroyed its predecessor. A church has, however, been in existence on this site since Norman times. Despite the fact that the tower rises to a height of 73 feet, ringing takes place from the ground floor.

The meeting of the North and East District on September 12th was scheduled to commence at 3.15 p.m. but unfortunately the bells were not raised until nearly 4.30 p.m. The attendance later improved and ringing continued until late in the evening. A picnic tea was held on the village green, Mrs. Hart and Mrs. Kilby producing a more than sufficient quantity of sandwiches and home-made cakes. Cups of tea were provided by Miss Janet Heather, of the local company.

Votes of thanks were proposed by Mr. H. G. Hart to the Rev. Max Bryant, Vicar, and to all who had contributed to the success of this rather unique meeting.

Welcome visitors included Mr. William A. Stote, of Coventry, and Mr. B. J. Ongley, of Holmes Chapel, Cheshire. E. H. K.

## GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

Through the initiative of Capt. Read, the S.W. Branch held their quarterly meeting at Galmpton, near Kingsbridge, on September 26th, with Marlborough and South Milton bells also available. Some 60 ringers were present, many from Cornwall and others on holiday. The Vicar, the Rev. F. J. Hawkings, conducted the service, Mrs. Read and helpers provided a high tea, and Mr. H. H. Thomas presided at the business meeting.

At the outset the chairman paid a tribute to the memory of Mr. Maurice Atkins, who was secretary of the Guild for 14 years, and the members stood in respectful silence. A welcome was extended to the Branch secretary and Ringing Master, Mr. T. G. Myers, and all trusted he would soon be a fit man again.

An encouraging proposition came from Mrs. Bray, of Whitchurch, near Tavistock, to affiliate the Whitchurch band, and five young members—George Mudge, John Mitchmore, Ernest Cann, Ian Sweet and Michael Roberts—were elected members. The Misses H. and R. Julius were also elected, and Guild certificates were presented to Miss P. Sims (Emmanuel, Plymouth) and Miss Ruth Cundy (Lamerton) on behalf of her father, who was unable to be present. A comprehensive vote of thanks was moved from the chair.

## M.U.G. SCOTTISH TOUR



**T**HIS year the Manchester University Guild had intended to visit Ireland but were prevented from doing so by various difficulties with car hire and accommodation.

A tour of Scotland was arranged instead, which started on August 28th, when two cars, one containing Ian Goldthorpe, Dick Plaisted, Marcia Nott and David Miles, the other containing John Pilkington, Brian A. Tomlinson and David J. Baker, set out to meet in Kendal. The first group were fortunate enough to ring at the Morecambe practice on the way. Saturday was occupied by the journey to Glasgow, but there was time to ring at two towers before crossing the border.

At Glasgow Mike Young, Jean Allen and Roger Shea joined us, but not before David Miles had taken us on a conducted tour of the city . . . by Blue Train and Underground. On Sunday morning Neil Bennett and Christine joined us at St. Mary's Cathedral for service ringing. In due course all members of the party reached Paisley for afternoon ringing, and we then proceeded northwards via the Erskine ferry and spent the night at Cruachan.

### INVERARAY

After breakfast and the journey back to Inveraray, much time was spent in finding keys and various other means of access to the chambers in the tower. Ropes had to be fitted and several clappers were greased before ringing commenced. The floor of the ringing room caused some concern, being most insecure near the eighth, ninth and tenor ropes. Wooden bushes in the rope-holes of the floor above had come adrift, and this resulted in an occasional piece of concrete being brought down by a rope, but even this could not detract from the pleasure of ringing on such excellent bells. Some good courses of Bob Royal, Grandsire Caters and Stedman Triples were rung.

Knowing that the bells are only rung very infrequently, we thought it a good idea to investigate local reaction to our visit. The first victim was the waitress who served us with lunch.

Ringer: 'Do you know why the bells were ringing?'

Waitress: 'Someone comes once a year from England to ring them.'

Another ringer: 'Haven't they enough bell-ringers in Scotland, then?'

Waitress: 'Oh, but it's an English church.'

On, then, to Fort William, stopping on the way to admire the scenery, which was at its best in glorious weather. Another full hostel at Glen Nevis killed any possibility of going up 'the Ben' the following morning.

The night was spent at Loch Lochy, and the tower next day was in Inverness. We were made to feel more than welcome at Inverness, where it was learned that there might be a good possibility of training a band of ringers if only some instructor could go and stay there for long enough. The Rev. Roger Fry, who happened to be in Inverness at the time, made a welcome addition to our band, and after ringing we were entertained to an excellent tea by the Precentor of the Cathedral. The night was spent at Aviemore.

The party at the lock gates at Fort Augustus, Inverness-shire. Left to right: Michael Young, Ian Goldthorpe, Roger Shee, Richard Plaisted, Jean Allen, David Miles, David Baker, John Pilkington, Marcia Nott and Brian Tomlinson.

A journey through the wild Cairngorms via Tomintoul, Braemar, Devil's Elbow and Glen Shee led us to Dundee, in time to ring at the Cathedral. Here, another unexpected but welcome guest, David Manton, found us, and we proceeded to the Old Steeple, to which Peter T. Dale was attracted from an examination room by the sound of our ringing. A visit to the offices of the 'Dundee Courier,' instigated by the publicity-seekers among us, resulted in a 10-line report in the following morning's edition.

On Thursday morning the bells of Dunblane got us off to a good start, though here, and at Alloa, the rising in peal left much to be desired. Since this was the day before the opening of the Forth road bridge, a visit to Queensferry was called for before continuing to Edinburgh to join the practice at St. Mary's Cathedral. Friday was a free day, and returning from a tour of the Trossachs, handbells were rung in a car whilst crossing the Forth road bridge. (Is this a record?)

Our last day in Scotland began with ringing on the delightful five at Fettes College. After celebrating with Oriental food and various wines we proceeded to St. Cuthbert's, where Mr. Wilson and the Edinburgh ringers once more made us welcome and rang with us. We also appreciated their assistance in leading the way to Leith, our last Scottish tower and certainly not the easiest of bells to ring.

Not everyone approved of rising at 6.30 a.m. in order to ring at Newcastle for Sunday service, but those who did not rise were certainly awake at that unearthly hour. They were, however, doomed to misfortune later in the day when a mechanical fault immobilised the Goldthorpe car, while the others were ringing at St. Stephen's, Low Elswick and Newcastle Cathedral.

In conclusion, we wish to thank the organisers, who did a great job at short notice, and all the ringers and incumbents in both England and Scotland who made us so welcome. I. P. C. le-M.

## PEAL AT YORK MINSTER

Congratulations to the York Minster Society of Change Ringers on ringing a peal of Plain Bob Maximus on the Minster bells on Saturday. The last time a peal was rung on these bells was on November 9th, 1892.

The band consisted of S. H. Steel 1, B. Holland 2, D. Pearson 3, M. Straniforth 4, A. Leggett 5, Margaret E. Wilkinson 6, H. Walker 7, C. Groome 8, N. Maskell 9, John Chaddock 10, C. Reeves 11, J. A. D. Woolford 12.

The time taken was 3 hrs. 49 mins. and the peal was rung to the glory of God and to welcome the new Dean.



**'STRIKE 'EM! IN SUFFOLK'**

Buxhall, a pleasant scattered village in the heart of the delightful Suffolk countryside, was the venue for the Suffolk Guild Annual Striking Competition on September 26th. Seventy people enjoyed the sound of the fine ring of six from various strategic positions in the environs of the lovely 14th century church.

The test piece was 240 Bob Minor but most of the bands took full advantage of the two minutes unmarked rounds which were allowed, and ringing was maintained at a steady pace, few wishing to hurry the 15 cwt. tenor.

The last band finished their touch in good time for commencement of Evensong, which was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. C. N. Kendahl).

Tea at the Village Hall was enjoyed by 80 people, and the Ringing Master (George W. Pipe) opened the proceedings by welcoming the judges and saying how delighted he was to see such a large number in attendance, representative of practically every corner of the county.

The judges (Frank Lufkin and Walter Arnold, Essex Association, and F. Charles Goodman, Norwich Association) had prepared an analysis of their marking. Frank Lufkin remarked on the high standard of ringing throughout the afternoon.

Placing: 1 South East District (Ipswich), 5 faults; 2 Central District, 7; 3 Central District, 28; 4 North West District, 49; 5 North East District, 51; 6 South East District (Offton) 80; 7 South East District (Henley) 83; 8 North West District, 98.

The Rector presented the Hubert Mitson Shield to Jim Morley, who had conducted the winning team, and congratulated them on an excellent performance.

A very good tape-recording of the teams placed 1st and 2nd was heard before ringing was resumed at Buxhall and Great Finborough.

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD  
Crawford Cup Contest**

Held this year in the Mansfield District, the final of the Crawford Cup contest took place at Cuckney on September 26th. As East Retford was unable to enter, four of the five respective District teams competed and an afternoon of excellent ringing was appreciated by all.

Thirty-eight ringers were present at tea, after which the results were announced: 1 Shelford (360 Oxford T.B. Minor) 13 faults; 2 Warson (360 Oxford T.B. Minor) 23 faults; 3 Wolaton (360 Plain Bob Minor) 484 faults; 4 Newark (360 Plain Bob Minor) 524 faults.

The Guild chairman, Mr. F. W. Midwinter, presented the cup to Mr. F. Bradley, captain of the Shelford team, amid general applause, and congratulations were extended by Mr. H. T. Rooke, on behalf of Warsop, holders of the cup for many years.

The Mansfield District chairman, Mr. S. W. Fossey, thanked Mr. and Mrs. D. Carlisle and Mr. G. Halls, of Derby, for having judged the contest so competently, after which the tower was declared open and a pleasant evening's ringing ensued.

The Shelford team, belonging to the Birmingham District of the Guild, were as follows: Thomas Dutton 1, Susan Meredith 2, Christine Froggatt 3, Doreen Bradley 4, Frank Bradley 5, Brian Mills (cond.) 6. D. J. B.

**SHEBBEAR, DEVON.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. P. Coad 1, R. W. Turner (first of Minor 'inside') 2, J. L. Queen 3, P. J. Daniel 4, C. G. J. Head 5, R. J. Gay (cond.) 6. A complement to Mr. J. B. Marris, on his retirement after 23 years as headmaster, and to Mrs. Marris. Also to welcome their successors, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Kinsnorth.

**OBITUARY****MR. W. H. LEWIS**

Worcester has lost an outstanding ringing personality by the death on September 6th of Mr. William Henry ('Bill') Lewis in his 79th year. Until his illness, a month or so previous, he was doing a full day's work as a blacksmith and turning out regularly for Sunday ringing and practice, winding the church clock and hoisting the flag.

In his younger days he was a keen athlete and sportsman and excelled in football, cricket and rowing and he held a championship cup for single sculls. It was not until he was 28 that he was taught to ring by the late William Page, at St. John's, Worcester. His first peal was Grandsire Caters, rung in 1918 at All Saints'. His peal total was about 160, the last being in his favourite method, Stedman Triples, at St. John's, and rung for his 70th birthday.

He became Ringing Master at St. John's about 1932 and remained so until his death. He was also a member of the Cathedral Guild for 47 years and rang in several peals there, including the first with the tenor turned in, and, when he was nearly 50, he rang the 50 cwt. tenor himself behind Grandsire Cinques.

Many people attended the funeral service at St. John's Church and then joined the cortege to travel the short distance to St. John's Cemetery, where the half-muffled bells could still be faintly heard as the coffin was lowered into the grave. After the committal a course of Grandsire Triples was rung 'in hand' over the grave by G. E. Evenden 1-2, R. G. Morris 3-4, D. Beacham 5-6, R. Ashmore 7-8, all members of the Cathedral Guild.

In the evening a half-muffled quarter peal of Grandsire Triples was rung at St. John's and the following evening a half-muffled tribute was rung on the Cathedral bells.

In his address at Evensong on the Sunday, the Vicar of St. John's, the Rev. T. M. H. Richards, paid a moving tribute to Bill Lewis, who was, as he so rightly said, 'a good man.' How we shall miss old Bill. D. B.

**MR. CHARLES SHARPLES**

Mr. Charles Sharples, well known in Lancashire ringing circles and beyond, passed away in the Victoria Hospital, Blackpool, on September 13th, aged 88.

Though not a particularly prolific peal ringer, during his many years he took part in some noteworthy efforts, including a handbell peal of Bob Major on board S.S. 'Barra-pool' in the South Indian Ocean on December 10th, 1934, during 'The Great Adventure,' in company with J. S. Goldsmith, R. Richardson and the Rev. E. B. James.

A great stalwart of the Lancashire Association the writer remembers him best for his willingness to assist beginners and learners. His own ringing record goes back to March 10th, 1897, when he rang his first peal of Bob Minor for the Lancashire Association at Oswaldtwistle, the place of his birth. His last at Manchester Cathedral, Kent Royal, on April 17th, 1948; between these two dates he had taken part in at least one long length and one unconduted peal and peals on the Australian Tour of 1934. For the Lancashire Association he rang 103 peals.

During the last few years Charles was unable to ring, partly because of his deafness, though during the latter part of his career he gave a great deal of help in the Blackpool and Fylde district, and so the Exercise is the poorer for his passing. J. W. P.

**INDUCTION DIFFICULTIES**

The Suffolk Diocese of St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich is celebrating its jubilee this year and in connection with this a booklet has been on sale giving certain facts concerning the diocese. Included are some of the memories of a former Bishop and two former Archdeacons. One of the latter, the Ven. Hugh R. Norton, formerly Archdeacon of Sudbury, writes:

'One of my frequent duties has been the induction of new Vicars and Rectors. During my time there have been 175 inductions in the Archdeaconry and I have officiated at nearly all of them. During this service the new incumbent is required to toll the church bell. There is an old superstition that a priest will remain in his parish the same number of years as the times he rings the bell. I have always listened with interest to the number of rings given: they have varied from three to 20. Once the new Rector rang the Angelus; on another occasion he failed to produce any sound from the bell at all in spite of the most vigorous pulls; and at another church the ominous silence was only broken when the Rural Dean rushed forward, seized the bell rope and rang the bell himself. . . .'

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD  
Wimborne Branch**

The quarterly meeting of the Branch, held on September 26th at Canford, will be remembered by most people for an unusual and amusing sermon preached by the Vicar, the Rev. P. F. Unwin. He took as his theme a set of belfry rules of Canford Church dated 1873 and was able to shed interesting light on ringing at that time.

Prior to the service, ringing took place on the six bells and methods ranged from Plain Bob to Cambridge. Visitors were welcomed at the meeting from Hambledon and Liss, and five new members were elected, who included Mr. Fuller and family, late of Sussex, who have moved to Swanage.

Next meeting: Witchampton, November 14th; annual, Wimborne, January 23rd.

**North Dorset Branch**

Thirty ringers and visitors attended the quarterly meeting at Thornford on September 19th. Standard methods were rung on the well-going six (10 cwt.), with rounds for learners, up to the Guild Office, when the Branch was welcomed by the Rector (the Rev. L. Chesterman). At the business meeting later three new members from Liffington were elected—Miss Janet Higgins and Mr. and Mrs. Trevelyan. A proficiency certificate was awarded to T. Bleathman, of Okeford Fitzpaine. A suggestion was made that, in order to raise the standard and scope of the Branch's ringing, the Saturday fortnightly practices should be graded, so far as possible, to the maximum ability of those present, to work up through Single, Oxford, Double Oxford, Cambridge to Beverley and London Surprise Minor. This suggestion was readily agreed to and ringers were encouraged to attend Saturday practices.

Tributes were paid to the late Mr. S. J. Pound, for a great many years a member of the Guild, and to the late Miss Ivy Fanner, who had captained the Compton Abbas ringers and whose early death had been a great loss to that parish.

The annual meeting was arranged for December 12th at Gillingham, subject to the usual consents. Ringing continued at Thornford and Yetminster.

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# Letters to the Editor

## The Rev. H. R. Haweis

Sir,—Is not Mr. Fidler a little hard on the Rev. H. R. Haweis?

The worthy gentleman was one of a series of scholarly, sincere and earnest clerics who graced the early and mid-Victorian eras, and being appalled at the apathy and squabbling of the contemporary Church set to work 'to do something about it'. He was writing, not for English bellfounders and ringers, of whom he had rather a poor opinion, but for the solid middle and upper classes of Victorian society who would normally have considered themselves contaminated had they entered a belfry and mixed with such dreadful examples of the 'lower orders' as ringers then were, in an endeavour to rouse their interest in the Church and its ornaments, and it is only to be expected that his language is florid, not technically correct.

He was very keen on the carillon rather than change-ringing and a strong advocate of Belgian rather than English bells. Perhaps his views are not so ridiculous after all when one considers a Flemony bell of Amsterdam and those of later founders of the Low Countries against its English fellow of the 17th century and later. Even to-day Francis Flemony's tuning of small bells stands unmatched.

An interesting picture of Haweis emerges from the 'Reminiscences of Lady Dorothy Nevill,' published in 1906, when the author was nearing the end of her long life (1826—1913). She appears, from her writings, as a lively, intelligent woman of great personal charm; this impression is borne out by the fact of her having been on friendly terms with most of the eminent Victorians from the Queen's 'dearest Albert' downwards. I quote:

'At one time I saw a good deal of the Rev. Mr. Haweis, at whose parties one used to meet all sorts of different kinds of people.' She goes on to tell of meeting General Booth and also describes the first public demonstration of the newly-invented phonograph. 'I remember its being a complete failure, for through something having gone wrong, no coherent sound whatever issued from the mouthpiece, much to the dismay of the exhibitor (Haweis).

'Mr. Haweis was a most amusing little man, very devoted to music. His sermons were quite unlike any others I ever heard and totally devoid of those ponderous . . . qualities which render these discourses a sad trial to many an unfortunate congregation. He would preach on all sort of unconventional subjects. One of his last sermons . . .

was on the cruelty of leaving cats untended in London houses while the owners were away and some remarks he added aroused . . . tittering in the congregation, and he exclaimed, "What I have just said may possibly be amusing, but I will tell you one thing, it certainly would not make a cat laugh."

'A great authority on musical instruments, he was especially learned about bells and knew all about the manner in which they were cast. I wished to have a bell set up at the entrance to my garden in the country, and he gave the address of an excellent bellfounder at Louvain (Severin Van Aerschodt). Mr. Haweis composed a motto to be inscribed on this bell which ran:

"Neville velis—as I swing.

Ne velis vile—so I sing.

Welcome to all, nor wish them ill,

My Lady Dorothy Nevill."

'This bell of excellent sound and tone was duly cast by the 'fondeur des cloches' whom I have mentioned and became an object of great interest in my Sussex garden.'

Lady Dorothy then relates how Haweis designed a sundial, which she never had made. She describes his plan and gives the verse he proposed putting on it:

'Look you upon my face without the sun.

I shall not mark the course that he has run,

So let the dark days unrecorded be.

But number every glowing hour like me.'

She concludes:

'Mr. Haweis never recovered from his wife's death which, I think, really broke his heart, for he did not survive that sad event very long, dying quite suddenly one Sunday. A man of very broad (some people said unorthodox views), he created something of a sensation by entertaining Renan . . . I went to a party given in his honour at the Amber House, where Mr. Haweis lived, the exterior of which, in accordance with his unconventional nature, he had caused to be painted a bright amber colour.'

I believe Haweis had a hand in the installation of the Cattistock carillon in 1862, most unfortunately destroyed by fire in 1940. Boston in 1865 and possibly others.—Yours sincerely,

W. E. BOX.

Harborne, Birmingham.

## 'On the Spot'

Dear Sir, In his challenge to Mr. A. P. Cannon questioning the validity of some of his 1,000 peals, Mr. Holtom has 'put on the spot' not Mr. Cannon only, but also numerous ringers who have participated in peals of which he was the conductor. It would be interesting to know whether both Mr. Holtom and the late Mr. Clement Glenn deleted the peals instanced from their own personal list. Mr. Cannon's integrity has been challenged, leaving both himself and his fellow peal-ringers in an invidious position. No doubt there are many participants in his peals who can vouch for the truth of them, but where their correctness is questionable few people would be willing to give the facts for two reasons:

(a) Participants, once a deal has been published and not repudiated, would probably have recorded it in their own list, and (b) even if they have not, they would, out of charity to Mr. Cannon, be reluctant to defame his character by exposing him as a cheat.

Perhaps we could hear Mr. Cannon's views on the two peals quoted by Mr. Holtom by the customary right to reply and leave any other 'dirty linen' in the linen basket.

As you, sir, pointed out, it is too late now for inquests—but if there were one, and Mr. Cannon were found guilty, his associates, too, would be stigmatised for aiding and abetting. This whole subject is most unpalatable and best ignored.—Yours faithfully,

W. BIRMINGHAM.

Stoke Poges, Bucks.

## 'Much for the Exercise'

Dear Sir,—I feel that I cannot allow the contents of Mr. K. R. Holtom's letter (page 664) to pass without comment. Whilst this gentleman is entitled to his opinions, I do feel that his method of voicing them is rather obtuse. I have had the pleasure of being acquainted with Mr. A. P. Cannon for very many years and I find it difficult to realise that such an attack has been made on one who has done so much for the Exercise. I am not in a position to comment on all Mr. Cannon's peals, but I must say in his defence that I have rung in various attempts with him which he has stopped for one reason or another, the most recent being early this year. Many ringers, including myself, have a very high opinion of Mr. Cannon as a ringer, a gentleman, a staunch member of the Exercise and, above all, a fellow being and a Christian. Never has any other ringer had so much 'Michael' extracted from him only to come up smiling every time, enjoying the joke made against him.

Mr. Holtom has opinions to which he is opposed but I am grieved to know he is so lacking in Christian charity as to air them in a public journal.

Carry on with your 'press-ups', Mr. Cannon, and I know your skin is thick enough to accept this lack of Christian charity.—Yours sincerely,

F. C. W. KNIGHT.

Ramsgate.

## Outings not Pub Crawls

Dear Sir,—In reply to A. V. Davis' letter ('The Ringing World' p. 632) suggesting that we are giving the wrong impression of English bell ringing to overseas readers, I wonder whether he would consider substituting the word 'British' for 'English'; and would it be in order to consider also the feelings of our Irish friends?

I have never read an account of an outing which suggested that it had been a glorious pub crawl. Indeed I could name many ringers who would clamour to get on next year's outing if they had ever read such a thing.

So far as presenting word pictures of the English and Welsh and Scottish countryside is concerned, there are excellent periodicals printed for this precise purpose—and most of them are available overseas. It is not the function of 'The Ringing World' to act as a glorified tourist brochure.

Whilst some of the antics of the ringers might afterwards appear dull in print to persons not connected with the outing, it must be borne in mind that most accounts of outings and tours are, to a large extent, only of interest to those who take part and their immediate circle of friends. It is, for the most part, a 'local event,' and whilst we in Somerset are not at all interested in the fact that a character 200 miles away missed a bus, it will also bring smiles to the lips of many who read it who know that this particular character is prone to this hazard. We must remember that we are all locals.

Apart from the 'Washington' article, which was surely in a class of its own, the one good article that one immediately calls to mind was written in recent months by a non-ringing father who accompanied his son on an outing. He listened to most of the bells from various neighbouring pubs and his descriptive writing was a joy to read. Many ringers have praised this article and probably the only impression it would give overseas readers is that non-ringing fathers spend their days in pubs.—Yours faithfully,

M. HEYMANN.

Chilcompton, Bath.

## 'Changes through the Years'

Dear Sir,—Readers of your main article of September 11th, 'Changes Through the Years,' will have read the observations on ringers and worship with great interest, and the sentiments expressed by Mr. Wilson call for our utmost support.

No doubt we could all cite instances of clergy who appear to have little or no interest in the ringers and, on the other hand, know many who value the services of those who give so much time and energy in the activities of the Exercise.

As ringers, whether in cathedral or village church, we should all be a part of the worshipping community; indeed, as Christians, we must know this to be true. We are often reminded that our ringing is a service to God and that we are His servants in the performance of our art. None of us should feel that we attend a service just to pacify the Vicar or because it looks good to see the ringers in the ringers' pew, but it is incumbent upon us to join the worshipping congregation, as and when we can, to offer praise and thanksgiving for the benefits conferred upon us.

Ringers' services, specially arranged, are usually well attended and anything that can be done actively to encourage a more regular worship by the ringers should be applauded, and the outcome will do much to heal the breaches which may exist in some quarters, and be to the ultimate good of all.

There are many—not only ringers—who need just a little encouragement and leadership to remind them of their responsibilities and it will be interesting to see what ideas are offered as a means to this end.—Yours truly,

J. TOMSETT.

Hinchley Wood, Surrey.



## A BISHOP AND HIS FLOCK IN CORNWALL

ON the night of August 21st four cars converged on Castle Cary, containing between them 11 ringers, many of whom were unknown to each other. When everyone had finally discovered just who everyone else was, either by introduction or deduction, most of us retired to bed, to prepare for what we knew would be a strenuous week.

After breakfast the following morning we made our separate ways to Taunton, where we made quite a good start to the week on the easy-going eight at St. James'. It was there that the organiser, Tony Bishop, finally joined us, together with Gill Simms. Meals throughout the week were left to the choice of the separate car parties, so we met again after lunch at Wiveliscombe. There we were delighted to meet Mr. M. Young, formerly of Leatherhead. Ringing was reasonable, but much better on the lovely six at Bampton. After South Molton we had our first glimpse of the sea, at Stratton, and produced some reasonable Stedman and Cambridge on the fine eight. We reached Tintagel, our base for the week, at 9.30 p.m.

### BOYS AND GIRLS!

Sunday was to be a lazy day. We rang for 11 o'clock service at the Parish Church, where our ringing was at least noticed, since after church some local people were overheard saying: 'Did you know they were boys and girls ringing the bells this morning?' (Average age of party 23!) In the late afternoon we rang at St. Thomas', Launceston and for evening service at St. Mary's (8), including call changes with some local ringers.

Monday was our only rainy day, but we were still out of the hotel by 9.15 in order to ring at Perranzabuloe. It was there that we embarked on the first of the methods, Ipswich, which we had been ordered to learn by Tony. Gwennap was one of the few really difficult towers that we visited, and we were glad to leave for lunch in Falmouth, in which we were disappointed through traffic congestion. At Mawgan-in-Meneage (6) we rang Doubles until the others arrived and Alpertown Alliance. We went on to Manaccon (6). The last tower was Mullion (6), before tea, and then to Wendron, Illogan (detached tower) and Crantock Rural, where we achieved our aim of splicing Little Bob with Alpertown.

### INTO DEVON

Tuesday was another day of sixes. Peter Tavy, our only tower in the morning, had another ground-floor ring. Most of the party went on to Walkhampton for lunch and then rang at the local church, where we first encountered the police. They were suspicious and obviously thought we were some form of diversion to cover the escape of 'Angel Face.' After ringing at Meavy and Shaugh Prior we crossed the new Tamar Bridge to ring the beautiful bells at Saltash, where we managed a good course of Cambridge. St. Stephens-by-Saltash produced the first good fall of the tour, which we somehow managed to repeat on the very difficult six at Callington.

Wednesday was the day we visited Land's End. We enjoyed the fine six at Uny Lelant and did the bells justice with a good fall.



Zennor (6), the first 'Z' for many of us, followed lunch, and this inspired us to produce some of the best ringing of the week in good touches of St. Clement's and Original. Sennen's turned out to be an easy and pleasant six. A mad dash for time brought us to Paul, where we certainly did not do the beautiful bells justice, and after tea in Hale rang at Phillack and Redruth, both eights.

### PLEASED BABY

On Thursday morning we arrived early at Bristow, for the first of yet another day of sixes. To fill in time we rang handbells, to the delight of a baby, who flattered us by crying loudly when we stopped. The ringing on tower bells, however, cannot have pleased him so much, but we made up for this at Belstone. Here a local ringer joined us in ringing very fast and near-perfect call changes. This was followed by a touch of St. Clement's almost as good. Most of the party then spent the spare time in the afternoon bathing and walking near Belstone. We all met again in the early evening at Bow. We did not, however, enjoy Exbourne bells so much. After this, some mistake on Tony's part left us a quarter of an hour to go ten miles down Cornish lanes to Beaford. We therefore arrived late and were sorry to see an old gentleman apparently waiting for us outside the church. Tony asked:

'Are you Mr. Heard?'

'Eh?'

'Are you Mr. Heard?' (loudly).  
Silence.

'ARE YOU MR. HEARD?'

'Oh no!'

(Apologies to Mr. Heard and a citizen of Beaford.) Perhaps our amusement accounted for the poor ringing. This being the last tower of the day, we were able to indulge a

The party at Tawstock (left to right): Lesley Reed, Ruth Carr, Michael Bangham, Elizabeth Zass, Elizabeth Stevinson, Diane Street, David Hughes, Vanessa Rodrigues, Gerald Reynolds, Gill Simms, Ann Horsford and Tony Bishop. (Taken by Keith Sansom.)

previously expressed wish to have a turn on the village swings before returning home.

### HOWLING

The first tower on Friday was Bradworthy (6) followed by Clovelly (6). Our ringing here was not as bad as the howling of a local dog might have suggested. In fact Ipswich went better than it had done all week. At Abbotsham we found the church full of ladies and flowers—preparations for a wedding were in progress. Here the tenor was so deep-set that Michael was left hanging from the sally long after the others had pulled off. We all had a picnic lunch together in a field overlooking the Torridge estuary, to the music of Pat Cannon's peal-ringing at Appledore. At Westleigh, we managed a good course of Cambridge.

After tea in Barnstaple we rang at the Parish Church and found the bells very hard to handle, although fine in tone. The second proved to be so deep-set that 'young' Elizabeth, having inadvertently set it at backstroke, was left hanging from the tail-end. We managed a good rise here, but found ourselves exhausted after call changes and Grand-sire Triples. The last two towers were Tawstock and Atherington, the latter being Tony's 1,000th tower. This was a very suitable ending to a most enjoyable week.

During the week we also rang York, Durham and Hayes Alliance.

We would like to thank the incumbents and those ringers who met us.

V. R. and E. Z.

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## HALF PEAL

**HUNTINGTON, YORKS.**—On September 20th, 2,250 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. Pearce (first half) 1, D. Pearson 2, C. Reeves 3, C. J. Groome 4, Miss M. E. Wilkinson 5, H. Walker (cond.) 6. A wedding compliment to Mr. M. Maskill and Mrs. D. Pask.

**ABBOT'S LEIGH, SOMERSET.**—On September 19th, 1,260 Doubles (4 methods): J. Butler (first quarter) 1, J. Fitzgeorge 2, R. Fitzgeorge (first 'inside') 3, N. Coombs (cond.) 4, C. Coombs 5, G. Moore 6. First in 4 methods by all except cond.

**AMERSHAM, BUCKS.**—On September 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. E. Camp 1, Frances Proctor 2, Rosalind Benfield 3, R. Snack 4, H. Oglesby (cond.) 5, P. E. Penrose 6. Rung as an engagement compliment to Frances Proctor and Howard Oglesby.

**ARKSEY, YORKS.**—On September 27th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: Mrs. V. Mitchell 1, E. Thorley 2, E. Cooper (cond.) 3, G. Arrand 4, W. H. Johnson 5, Mrs. I. Somerville 6, H. Wagstaffe 7, F. Jackson 8. Rung for Harvest Thanksgiving, and to celebrate the christening this day of Timothy John Hazell, the son of the Vicar and Mrs. T. T. Hazell.

**ASHCOTT, SOMERSET.**—On September 27th, 1,260 Doubles (11 methods/variations): Joy Bagg (14) 1, D. Dean (14) 2, Freda Prime 3, K. Cavill 4, K. Prime (cond.) 5, Janice Hargett 6. First in 11 methods by all except conductor, whose first it was as cond. in 11 methods. A birthday compliment to Janice. For Harvest Festival.

**ASTON INGHAM, HEREFORDS.**—On June 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Jones 1, W. E. Spiers 2, L. Smith 3, F. Turner 4, K. Tyler (first as cond.) 5, E. Herbert 6. For St. John the Baptist Festival Matins.

**AXBRIDGE, SOMERSET.**—On September 20th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Grandsire, Stedman): M. G. Dodson 1, R. W. Rice 2, G. Jones (first of Doubles 'inside') 3, G. Hebden 4, W. S. Rice (cond.) 5. First in three Doubles method by all except conductor.

**BARKINGSIDE, ESSEX.**—On September 20th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. A. Crampion 1, Miss J. Cook 2, Mrs. B. Mitchell 3, Mrs. R. F. Deal 4, C. Hughes 5, J. Crampion (cond.) 6, D. Ellison 7, A. White 8. To commemorate the 59th anniversary of the death of Dr. Barnardo.

**BARRINGTON, SOMERSET.**—On September 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. H. Cook 1, A. C. Drayton 2, J. Cornelius (cond.) 3, R. Dean 4, A. Rowsell 5, K. Welch 6. Rung after the wedding of Mr. J. Davis and Miss J. White.

**BATHEASTON, SOMERSET.**—On September 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. E. Newman 1, Miss M. B. Pidgeon (first 'inside') 2, P. M. Giles 3, K. G. Harrison 4, R. M. Stubbs (cond.) 5, M. Blanchard (first quarter) 6. Rung to congratulate A. Green, who was made deacon this day at Wellington, Somerset.

**BECKINGHAM, KENT.**—On September 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Sonia Dobson 1, Joyce Ling 2, Joan Ratcliffe 3, P. J. Spice 4, Christine Shiers 5, A. R. Ling (cond.) 6, D. Randall 7, D. Beach 8. First quarter 1 and 8. A welcome to the daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. D. Randall, and a farewell on their leaving the district.

**BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.**—On September 27th, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss L. Doone 1, W. R. Chandler 2, Miss H. Coppertwaite 3, Miss B. Fisher 4, R. J. Brown (cond.) 5. For Harvest Festival Matins.

**BLETCHLEY, BUCKS.**—On Sept. 27th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: R. Sear 1, A. B. Corden 2, T. Page 3, Diane M. Carter (first 'inside') 4, A. Daniells 5, J. Marks 6, D. J. Meager 7, R. Cadamy (cond.) 8. For Harvest Festival.

**BRAMFORD, SUFFOLK.**—On Sept. 19th, 1,440 Doubles (four methods): P. Harris 1, Miss S. Goodship 2, A. Muntings 3, Mrs. E. J. Lockwood 4, N. T. Whittell (cond.) 5. Rung for the wedding of Mr. Barry Revans and Miss Maureen Welham, also a birthday compliment to Mr. G. R. Goodship.

**BRADFORD-ON-AVON, WILTS.**—At Christ Church, on Sept. 23rd, 1,260 Cambridge Surprise Major: D. Orledge 1, Mrs. C. Purnell 2, D. Nibbs (first of Major) 3, R. Humphries (first of Cambridge Major) 4, A. Lee 5, D. Burt 6, P. Gaisford (first of Major) 7, R. Purnell (first of Surprise Major as cond.) 8.

**BRIGHTON.**—At the Church of St. Nicholas of Myra, on Sept. 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor (tenor covering): Stella G. Rice 1, A. W. Bond 2, G. P. Elphick 3, R. I. Vaughan 4, J. C. Baldwin (cond.) 5, R. J. Talbot 6, A. V. Sheppard 7. Rung to welcome Judith Ann, daughter of Beryl and John Baldwin.

## QUARTER PEALS

**BROMLEY, KENT.**—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Maria E. Kirby 1, Sheila Copping (cond.) 2, Christine M. Webb (first quarter) 3, F. Gates 4, P. J. Spice 5, M. G. Foster 6. For Matins, and as a farewell to the conductor, who is going to Edgell Training College, Ormskirk, Lancs.

**BROOMFIELD, ESSEX.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Minor (St. Clement's and Plain Bob): P. Gibson 1, Rosemarie Frith 2, Marion R. Panton 3, A. R. Groves 4, M. J. Cowling 5, I. R. Panton (cond.) 6. A compliment to C. K. Cooper and Edna Frith, on their engagement.

**CHELSEFIELD, KENT.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Minor (York Surprise, and Plain Bob): Jennifer Payne 1, Hilary Martin 2, R. W. Hinde 3, J. S. Barnes 4, Rev. P. N. Bond 5, D. C. Miner (cond.) 6. For Evensong on Ringers' Sunday.

**CHRISTCHURCH, NEW ZEALAND.**—At the Cathedral, on Sept. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Summerell 1, Miss L. Stevens 2, J. N. Dunn 3, R. H. Idle (cond.) 4, J. V. Freeman 5, Dr. P. Martin 6. Rung in honour of the engagement of Miss R. B. Boughphey (from St. Mary's, Glasgow) to John Taylor.

**CLAVERTLEY, SALOP.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Courtman 1, W. Francis 2, V. Parton 3, E. Drew (cond.) 4, G. Goodson 5, C. Jones 6, F. Hinton 7, A. Nurse 8. In memoriam Mrs. E. Pearson, who died on September 7th (mother of A. V. Pearson), and Mrs. M. Nock, who died on September 13th (mother of Joan Bennett). Mr. Pearson and Mrs. Bennett both members of the local band.

**COMPTON DANDO, SOMERSET.**—On Sept. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: L. B. Coles 1, T. Pocock 2, F. C. Mogford (cond.) 3, C. Allward 4, R. Wilde 5, S. Bate 6. Rung half-muffled in respected memory of Charles Harvey, aged 72 years, a ringer of the church, who was laid to rest earlier in the day.

**COWBRIDGE, GLAMORGAN.**—On Sept. 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): J. Alexander (first quarter) 1, Alana Thomas 2, Elizabeth Thomas 3, C. Ricketts 4, E. N. Thomas (cond.) 5, R. MacPherson (first quarter) 6, D. Barrington 7, I. Davies 8. Rung half-muffled after the funeral of Albert W. Morgan, Vicar's warden and organist.

**CURRY RIVEL, SOMERSET.**—On Sept. 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: M. T. Hebden 1, M. G. Dodson 2, J. Hall 3, R. W. Rice 5, G. Jones 6, G. Robson 7, W. S. Rice (cond.) 8. First of Bob Triples by all the band.

**DANEHILL, SUSSEX.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Lynn Taylor 1, Peggy Butcher 2, J. Warner 3, Betty Butler 4, D. Slater (cond.) 5, A. J. Butcher ('circled tower' to quarters) 6. A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Fuller.

**DAVENTRY, NORTHANTS.**—On Sept. 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Sheila-Ann Ward (first quarter) 1, Hilary Johnson 2, Mary Marshall 3, P. Chapman 4, M. Chown 5, D. Marshall (cond.) 6. Rung for Feast of Title.

**DEVIZES, WILTS.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sept. 2nd, 1,320 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob Doubles: Jennifer Alexander 1, R. Fisher 2, Pamela Osborne 3, B. Osborne 4, D. Bailey (cond.) 5, P. Barrett 6.

**DORCHESTER, OXON.**—On July 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Stella G. Rice 1, Wendy Bird 2, Peggy E. Taylor 3, Frances P. Gilbert 4, B. J. Stone 5, J. R. Norris (cond.) 6, B. G. North 7, M. J. Bew 8.

**DUNSFOLD, SURREY.**—On Sept. 22nd, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob and Reverse Canterbury): Rosemary Weal (first quarter) 1, Elizabeth Stevinson (cond.) 2, Hazel Freeston (nee White) 3, N. Stroud 4, J. H. Payton (first in three methods) 5, H. Jones 6. Rung to mark the birth of a son to Paul and Cherry Webb (nee White).

**ELTHAM, KENT.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Single Oxford: T. Culver (first in method) 1, K. Small 2, P. Clarke 3, R. Clarke (first in method) 4, G. Clarke (cond.) 5, F. Hurrell 6. For Evensong.

**FARMBOROUGH, SOMERSET.**—On Sept. 23rd, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): R. Smith (cond.) 1, M. Heymann 2, Rosemary Smith 3, K. Baker 4, A. Perry 5, J. Coombs 6. A birthday compliment to ringer of third.

**GEDLING, NOTTS.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,320 Doubles (two methods): Miss P. Lawrence 1, J. T. Burnup 2, D. Surman 3, D. Osbourne 4, G. A. Dawson (cond.) 5, R. Adey 6. For Evensong, and a compliment to Rev. D. Doulton, ordained priest at Southwell Minster this day.

**GLASBURY-ON-WYE, BRECS.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob): W. Chick 1, E. J. Smith 2, S. V. Edwards 3, D. H. Bennett 4, C. A. Lewis (cond.) 5, H. L. Hatfield 6. For Evensong, and as a silver wedding compliment to the Rev. E. T. D. and Mrs. Lewis.

**GLASTON, RUTLAND.**—On June 17th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): G. Norris 1, P. S. Heath (cond.) 2, A. Jaques 3, R. Todd 4, J. Beadman (first quarter) 5, R. Sparrow 6. In honour of the wedding of David Heath, former ringer, and Ann Rickson.

**GREAT DALBY, LEICS.**—On Sept. 14th, 1,920 Doubles (a variety of methods): C. E. Cooper, T. Fields, R. Smith, R. H. Cook, P. Sanders, O. Homewood, A. E. Hinman, H. Stonehouse, H. T. Bonshor, Ringing Master. Half-muffled in memoriam Robert William Price, aged 17, of Pedmore, Stourbridge.

**GRETTON, NORTHANTS.**—On Sept. 26th, 1,260 Doubles (St. Nicholas', Winchester, Grandsire): Ann Saddle 1, R. C. Woodward 2, G. Reynolds 3, R. Russell 4, J. M. Thorley (cond.) 5.

**HAILING, KENT.**—On Sept. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire and Plain Bob: Janice Underdown (first quarter) 1, C. Garrett 2, D. Garrett 3, C. Underdown 4, C. Osenton (cond.) 5, S. Osenton 6. For Harvest Festival Evensong.

**HASLEMERE, SURREY.**—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. B. Toms 1, F. Bowden 2, Mrs. E. Weatherley 3, Mrs. F. Bowden 4, I. Weatherley 5, J. H. Payton 6, H. Gauntlett (cond.) 7, R. Burford 8. To honour the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. D. Gauntlett.

**HAWKHURST, KENT.**—On Sept. 13th, 1,320 Grandsire Doubles: Linda P. Gunn 1, Marion Kemp 2, Judy Bower 3, W. Gorringe (cond.) 4, E. G. Baker 5, S. G. Waters 6, B. G. Stevens 7, P. D. Harrison 8. 1 leading and 7, 8 cover. First quarter for 1 and 2. Rung as a farewell to Sheila Rawlings who leaves England on September 23rd to further her nursing career in the Canadian Arctic.

**HOLSWORTHY, DEVON.**—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. Hibbert 1, C. Sangwin 2, Miss J. Cox 3, J. W. Sangwin 4, H. Trewin 5, H. Stacey (cond.) 6, F. A. White 7, R. C. Cann 8.

**HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.**—On Sept. 22nd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss J. Peacock 1, S. Penfold 2, J. Carrott 3, M. Bland 4, J. Fowler 5, J. Stephenson 6, F. V. Gant (cond.) 7, C. Pain 8. To mark the mission by the students of the Rochester Theological College.

**HUISH EPISCOPI, SOMERSET.**—On Sept. 19th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Sue Walker 1, J. Hall 2, M. G. Dodson 3, G. Hebden 4, R. W. Rice 5, G. Jones (first 'inside') 6, G. Robson 7, W. S. Rice (cond.) 8. First of Bob Major by all.

**HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.**—On Aug. 9th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Gillian Dyer 1, N. J. Wright 2, J. R. Norris 3, Rev. J. J. Fielding 4, H. W. Brown (cond.) 5, J. Nulty 6. For Evensong on the eve of St. Lawrence's Day.

**HUTTON CRANSWICK, E. YORKS.**—On Sept. 7th, 1,440 Delight Minor (Edinburgh and Oswald): Barbara Cammack 1, G. K. Smith 2, T. S. Rank 3, R. Ducker 4, R. D. Gibson 5, D. S. Johnson (cond.) 6. First of Delight on the bells and by all the band. A farewell to T. S. Rank, who is leaving to teach in Cambridge.

**KINGSTON, SOMERSET.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: H. Drayton 1, J. T. Locke 2, J. Cornelius (cond.) 3, T. Hill 4, H. Gummer (Devizes) 5, J. Stenner 6. For Harvest Festival Evensong.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes', on Sept. 20th, 1,263 Grandsire Caters: Miss J. Peacock 1, S. Penfold 2, J. Carrott 3, M. Bland 4, F. G. Richardson 5, F. V. Gant (cond.) 6, J. Fowler 7, C. Pain 8, J. Stephenson 9, R. Mallett 10. For Matins on Battle of Britain Sunday.

**LUTON, BEDS.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,316 Grandsire Triples: K. Lewin 1, J. Herbert 2, B. I. S. Hulatt 3, A. J. Smith 4, G. Hawkins 5, H. Wood 6, A. E. Rushton (cond.) 7, B. Arnold 8. In honour of the ordination this day of J. M. Stephens (deacon) and S. Darley (priest).

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Neilson 1, Anne Rayner 2, Rose Wratten 3, Elizabeth Todd 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, R. P. Brotherton 6. For Harvest Festival Matins, and a compliment to Rowland Harman (ringer and churchwarden), on his 81st birthday.

**NAILSEA, SOMERSET.**—On Sept. 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: D. Strong 1, J. Yeates 2, P. Blake 3, T. Phillips 4, L. Derrick (cond.) 5, H. Hardwidge 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Rev. Russell Davey, former Rector for 20 years.



## QUARTER PEALS

**NORTHMOOR, OXON.**—On September 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Batten 1, H. Floyd (cond.) 2, B. Miles 3, F. Trinder 4, V. Clifton 5, P. Trinder 6. Rung for the wedding of Mr. L. Harris and Miss J. Brain, who is the Sunday School teacher.

**PATTINGHAM, STAFFS.**—On Sept. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): A. Richards 1, Elizabeth Timmins 2, A. Collins (cond.) 3, Remi Hodister 4, C. Taberner 5, D. Head (first quarter) 6, F. Southwick 7, S. Illidge 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Jim Ray, ringer at this church from 1915 to 1963, who died September 17th.

**PUTNEY, LONDON.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Gerda Baresel 1, Julie Armstrong 2, Alison M. Mann 3, C. F. Mew (cond.) 4, B. J. Bull 5, B. H. Coatsworth 6, A. R. Millidge 7, D. C. Brookes 8. A compliment to Gerda Baresel and John Price, on their engagement. Also on Sept. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Ruth Carr 1, Gerda Baresel 2, Alison M. Mann 3, R. J. Cooles 4, B. J. Bull 5, C. F. Mew (cond.) 6, A. R. Millidge 7, J. E. Price 8. Rung half-muffled as a thanksgiving for the life and work of Harry Lydiatt, churchwarden.

**REWE, DEVON.**—On Sept. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss C. Dicker (first quarter) 1, J. R. Hutchings 2, F. S. J. Down (first 'inside') 3, H. Ransom 4, W. E. Richards (cond.) 5, D. Petherick 6. A wedding compliment to Mr. D. H. Ransom, son of H. Ransom, and Miss E. King.

**RUSHDEN, NORTHANTS.**—On Sept. 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Gibbs 1, B. Whitworth 2, S. Collins 3, R. Corley 4, S. Hodekins 5, D. Deighton 6, L. Priestley (cond.) 7, C. Whitworth 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Fr. Ford, Vicar of Higham Ferrers, who was fatally injured in a car accident and interred the previous day.

**ROUGHAM, SUFFOLK.**—On Sept. 16th, 1,260 Minor (Kent T.B. and Plain Bob): L. Wright 1, Mrs. H. Ivings 2, R. Rose 3, L. Nice 4, Cpl. B. Evans, R.A.F., 5, M. J. Rose (cond.) 6. A compliment to the Rector and his wife, on their silver wedding anniversary.

**RUARDEAN, GLOS.**—On Sept. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: K. Tyler 1, L. Smith 2, F. Blown 3, W. Jones 4, R. Chew (cond.) 5, J. Harpur 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mrs. Matilda Meek, wife of tower secretary.

**RUSHDEN, NORTHANTS.**—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Ann Whitworth 1, T. Cox 2, R. Coley (cond.) 3, B. Whitworth 4, S. Hodgkins 5, L. Priestley 6, A. Gibbs 7, C. Whitworth 8. Farewells to Roger Coley, who has gone to Manchester University, and Ann Chetule, to Matlock Training College.

**ROTHERHAM, YORKS.**—On August 30th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Tessa Hollis 1, Mrs. N. Chaddock 2, Mrs. M. Burns 3, J. Bruce 4, I. Tilling 5, D. Nichols 6, N. Chaddock (cond.) 7, N. Donavan 8, J. N. W. Chaddock 9, P. Walker 10. Rung prior to Evensong as a farewell to Ian Tilling, who is going overseas.

**ST. FLORENCE, PEMBS.**—On Sept. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: A. Johns (first quarter) 1, P. R. Huntback 2, Rev. R. W. Thomas 3, A. McFall (cond.) 4, P. C. Rogers 5, I. Russant 6. First 'inside' 2 and 3. For Harvest Festival.

**ST. PETER'S-IN-TANET, KENT.**—On Sept. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss M. Elsdon 1, Mrs. W. Bridges 2, Miss P. Fennell 3, G. Firman 4, M. Ostler (first of Grandsire Triples) 5, S. Gee 6, A. W. Bridges (cond.) 7, E. Fowles 8. A farewell to Miss P. Fennell.

**SANDHURST, KENT.**—On September 15th, 1,260 Bob Minor: R. Munn 1, Judy Bowen 2, L. W. Jarvis 3, W. Gorrings 4, H. J. Pope 5, S. G. Waters (cond.) 6. First for treble. Rung after the dedication of the west door and new 5th bell by His Grace the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury.

**SLOUGH, BUCKS.**—On Sept. 24th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: Yvonne Patheyjohns 1, F. R. Scott 2, M. G. Swift 3, B. T. Lister 4, W. Birmingham, jun., 5, G. R. Shedden 6, W. Birmingham 7, J. K. Ward (cond.) 8. For Dedication Festival.

**STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.**—On Sept. 22nd, 1,296 Plain Bob Major: Trudy C. Seipel (first quarter) 1, Joyce Grainger 2, Eileen Cross 3, Wendy Lee 4, G. W. Mitchell 5, K. R. Davenport 6, C. Bell 7, J. Robinson (cond.) 8. First of Major 5 and 6.

**STRATTON, CORNWALL.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: F. Sangwin 1, W. Hibbert 2, C. F. Sutcliffe 3, E. Nunn 4, F. A. H. Wilkins 5, F. A. White 6, H. Stacey (cond.) 7, R. C. Cann 8.

**UPHILL, SOMERSET.**—On Sept. 22nd, 1,272 Kent Treble Bob Minor: P. J. Hall 1, G. Hebden 2, Gillian M. Webb 3, J. S. B. Powell 4, D. J. Gay 5, J. Clements (cond.) 6. First in method 1 and 2.

**WATERLOO, LONDON.**—On Sept. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. D. Grainger (cond.) 1, Mrs. M. Foskett 2, L. Way 3, C. W. Otley 4, Miss M. E. Powell 5, W. Riddle 6, S. Foskett 7, C. Dalton 8.

**WEST BRIDGFORD, NOTTS.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Doubles: Penny Miller 1, W. C. Ratcliffe 2, June Backler 3, J. Miller 4, P. K. Else (cond.) 5, G. Butler 6. Rung to mark the ordination this day as priest of the Rev. J. R. Bartlett, and to welcome the Bishop of Southall to Evensong.

**WHITECHURCH CANONICORUM, DORSET.**—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. B. Ellery 1, R. Arscott 2, Mrs. C. W. Powell 3, M. J. Hiller 4, A. Knight 5, H. G. Keeley 6, C. W. Powell (cond.) 7, F. G. Knight 8. First of Triples for 1 and 4. For Harvest Festival.

**WILMSLOW, CHESHIRE.**—On June 14th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: D. Whalley 1, R. Hankinson 2, D. Smith 3, S. Sage 4, A. Sharples (cond.) 5, D. Mottershead 6. For Evensong, and for the birth of a son (Matthew Simon) to N. D. Lomas. Also on Aug. 23rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss A. M. Baldwin 1, D. Smith 2, Miss J. Somerville 3, R. Hankinson 4, A. Sharples 5, N. D. Lomas (cond.) 6. For Patronal Festival Evensong.

**WIMBLEDON.**—On September 13th, 1,280 Spliced Surprise Major (London, Bristol and Cambridge): R. Cooles 1, Deborah Hopkins 2, Rosamund Rawlings 3, Susan Newman 4, Judith Geiringer 5, M. Bangham 6, A. Bishop 7, A. Bagworth (cond.) 8. First for all the band and on the bells.

**WOKINGHAM, BERKS.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: Miss V. A. Hope 1, Miss M. Longhurst 2, K. Goddard 3, Miss M. Coles 4, H. E. Mitchell 5, W. J. Pearce 6, R. H. Begrie (cond.) 7, K. C. Begrie 8. A farewell to the Rev. J. Bromley on leaving to take the living of St. Laurence's, Broughton, Bucks. Also 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss V. A. Hope 1, K. C. Begrie 2, Miss M. Longhurst 3, Miss M. Coles 4, H. E. Mitchell 5, K. Goddard (cond.) 6, W. J. Pearce 7, R. H. Begrie 8. Rung to welcome the Rev. A. G. Millard as curate.

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Another very fine handbell performance has taken place at Harrow—20 methods of Spliced Surprise Major, which is a new record. Dr. D. E. Sibson acted as umpire and checked the lead-ends throughout the peal.

The peal at Accrington on August 28th (see page 656) was rung at the Church of St. James and not as stated.

More than 3,000 ringers have rung a peal this year—an indication of the healthy state of the Exercise to-day. It cannot be said that peal ringers are just a clique.

The peal of Plain Bob Major at Dronfield, Derbyshire, was the first local peal on the eight bells. There were three peals on the old six, but, writes G. N. Goodall, they were rung over 100 years ago. A composition by Amburn Wilson, who rang the seventh, also helped to maintain the local flavour.

Mr. Jesse Davis, hon. secretary of the West Dorset Branch, writes to tell us that Thorncombe is in Dorset, near the county boundaries of Devon and Somerset. The peal rung on August 30th by the local Sunday service band was for the Salisbury Diocesan Guild. Confusion arises from the postal address being Thorncombe, Chard, Somerset.

We feel certain that all their old friends in Salop and Guildford will congratulate Mr. and Mrs. E. Weatherby on their diamond wedding anniversary on September 21st. The following day was Mr. Weatherby's 93rd birthday. They are living at an old people's home, Plumb Hall, Alhambra, California (P.O. Box 2085) and were presented with a large celebration cake which they shared with the other 40 residents.

In aid of the Bell Restoration Fund of St. Mary the Virgin Church, Brabourne, Kent, a production of 'Son et Lumiere' will be presented for a fortnight from Monday, October 19th, to Saturday, October 31st, at 7.30 p.m. Seating is limited to just over 100. Tickets: 7s. 6d. reserved, and 5s. unreserved, with reduction for parties, from the Rev. R. A. Sheekey, The Rectory, Smeeth, Ashford, Kent. (Tel. Sellingle 2126.)

## BELFRY GOSSIP

Some encouraging progress has taken place at Alton, where Mr. Rex J. Corke is conductor. Four of the local band rang their first peal (Grandsire Triples) on September 20th. These included Mr. L. J. Noakes, who has been ringing regularly for over 40 years.

The next annual meeting of the Railwaymen's Guild will be held in London on May 15th.

The 'Cheshire Ringers' have just concluded a four-day tour of Ireland and scored five tower bell peals from six attempts, including a peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.

Canon Gilbert Thurlow sincerely thanks those who made it possible for him to ring with them recently on the Isle of Wight. If going there, contact Mr. Lester Bailey, Greensmead, Church Road, Godshill, and you will receive a warm welcome.

Messrs. John Taylor & Co., are due to start work on dismantling Daventry bells and frame on November 2nd. There is to be a new metal frame, three bells recast and two new trebles added to increase the ring to ten. The local ringers are raising the cost of recasting the present treble and second bells.

The week-end course at Grantley Hall, Yorkshire, was filled to capacity and several late applicants had to be turned down. A particularly keen group gathered and the week-end activities included several new features. The demands for more and longer courses indicated students' obvious enjoyment and satisfaction. Already the next course (No. 6) has been booked for July 23rd, 1965.

Readers may have noticed the frequency with which Daventry has appeared in the peal columns this year. Twelve have been rung, and one lost due to a broken rope, and two more are to be attempted before the bellhangers start work next month. Although there are several houses very close to the tower, inconvenience to residents is minimised due to an extremely efficient system of sound control installed a few years ago to Mr. F. Sharpe's specifications.

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## UNIVERSITIES' ASSOCIATION RINGING WEEK

ALL PEALS RUNG FOR THE UNIVERSITIES ASSOCIATION.

RYDAL, Westmorland.—At Rydal Hall.

On Sun., Aug. 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 4 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 17 in B flat

Jennifer M. Taylor (Read.)	1—2	Don C. Exell (So'ton.)	5—6
James R. Taylor (Camb.)	3—4	Malcolm C. C. Melville (Birm.)	7—8

Composed by J. E. Burton.

Conducted by Malcolm C. C. Melville.

RYDAL, Westmorland.—At Rydal Hall.

On Mon., Aug. 17, 1964, in 1 Hour and 27 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor size 11 in F.

Jennifer M. Taylor (Read.)	1—2	Malcolm C. C. Melville (Birm.)	5—6
James R. Taylor (Camb.)	3—4		

Conducted by Malcolm C. C. Melville.

BLACKBURN, Lancashire.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Tues., Aug. 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in D.

Avril Ivin (Leics.)	.. Treble	Harry Poyner (Birm.)	.. 6
Mary C. Poyner (Leics.)	.. 2	Malcolm C. C. Melville (Birm.)	.. 7
Diana J. Handley (Nottm.)	.. 3	Gordon Benfield (Leeds)	.. 8
Jennifer M. Taylor (Read.)	.. 4	James R. Taylor (Camb.)	.. 9
Philip M. J. Gray (Lon.)	.. 5	Stephen Ivin (Oxford)	.. Tenor

Composed by G. Lindoff.

Conducted by Stephen Ivin.

Rung for the 15th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. J. Gray.

WORKINGTON, Cumberland.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Wed., Aug. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb. in F sharp.

Malcolm C. C. Melville (Birm.)	.. Treble	Mary C. Poyner (Leics.)	.. 5
*Katharine Maylott (Wales)	.. 2	Christopher Bainham (Wales)	.. 6
Fraunce Fairbank (Leeds)	.. 3	Don C. Exell (So'ton.)	.. 7
Alan Twyman (Man.)	.. 4	Harry Poyner (Birm.)	.. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Harry Poyner.

\* First peal on eight bells.

RYDAL, Westmorland.—At Rydal Hall.

On Wed., Aug. 19, 1964, in 1 Hour and 37 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents. Tenor size 11 in G.

*Joyce Dodds (Durham)	.. 1—2	*Jennifer M. Taylor (Read.)	5—6
Malcolm C. C. Melville (Birm.)	.. 3—4		

Conducted by Malcolm C. C. Melville.

\*First peal of Grandsire Doubles. First of Grandsire Doubles for the Association.

GIGGLESWICK, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Alkelda.

On Thurs., Aug. 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In six methods, comprising 1,280 each of London and Rutland, 1,120 Bristol and 480 each of Cambridge, Superlative and Yorkshire, with 129 changes of method.

Alan J. Griffin (Camb.)	.. Treble	Gordon Benfield (Leeds)	.. 5
James R. Taylor (Camb.)	.. 2	Philip M. J. Gray (Lon.)	.. 6
Jennifer M. Taylor (Read.)	.. 3	Harry Poyner (Birm.)	.. 7
Don C. Exell (So'ton.)	.. 4	Stephen Ivin (Oxford)	.. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Stephen Ivin.

ARLECDON, Cumberland.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Fri., Aug. 21, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5184 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

Jennifer M. Taylor (Read.)	Treble	Alan Twyman (Man.)	.. 5
Fraunce Fairbank (Leeds)	.. 2	Andrew Bolton (Durham)	.. 6
James R. Taylor (Camb.)	.. 3	Alan J. Griffin (Camb.)	.. 7
Shelagh R. Collins (Lon.)	.. 4	Stephen Ivin (Oxford)	.. Tenor

Composed by Edwin A. Barnett.

Conducted by Stephen Ivin.

BILSBORROW, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Hilda.

On Sat., Aug. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. in F sharp.

Alan J. Griffin (Camb.)	.. Treble	Gordon Benfield (Leeds)	.. 5
Mary C. Poyner (Leics.)	.. 2	Philip M. J. Gray (Lon.)	.. 6
Shelagh R. Collins (Lon.)	.. 3	Harry Poyner (Birm.)	.. 7
Malcolm C. C. Melville (Birm.)	.. 4	Stephen Ivin (Oxford)	.. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Stephen Ivin.

## MR. T. J. LOCK'S PEAL TOUR OF SOMERSET AND DORSET

THE FOLLOWING FOR THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

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

On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

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

Gerald Penney	.. Treble	Dennis Knox	.. 5
Ruth M. Foreman	.. 2	Alick Cutler	.. 6
*Margaret A. Bould	.. 3	Brian Bladon	.. 7
Martin F. Lock	.. 4	Thomas J. Lock	.. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by Thomas J. Lock.

\* First peal of Surprise.

TAUNTON, Somerset.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sat., Aug. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in E.

Leonard Stilwell	.. Treble	Michael Maughan	.. 5
Arthur H. Reed	.. 2	Frederick Ross	.. 6
Gillian M. Hussey	.. 3	*D. John Hunt	.. 7
Edgar R. Rapley	.. 4	William Rogers	.. Tenor

Composed by R. W. Pipe.

Conducted by D. John Hunt.

\* 300th peal. First peal in the method on the bells.

TAUNTON, Somerset.—In the belfry of the Church of St. James.

On Sun., Aug. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 15½ in B flat.

Thomas J. Lock	.. 1—2	Gerald Penney	.. 5—6
Edgar R. Rapley	.. 3—4	Christine M. Rimmer	.. 7—8

Composed by C. H. Martin.

Conducted by Gerald Penney.

MARK, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mark.

On Mon., Aug. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. in E.

Leonard Stilwell	.. Treble	Gerald Penney	.. 5
Alick Cutler	.. 2	Dennis Knox	.. 6
C. Edward Jeffries	.. 3	William Rogers	.. 7
Martin F. Lock	.. 4	D. John Hunt	.. Tenor

Composed by A. Knights (C.C.C. No. 28).

Conducted by William Rogers.

WELLINGTON, Somerset.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Mon., Aug. 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in E.

Dennis D. T. C. Smith	.. Treble	Thomas J. Lock	.. 5
Ronald J. Sharp	.. 2	Brian Bladon	.. 6
Gillian M. Hussey	.. 3	Philip Mehew	.. 7
Margaret A. Bould	.. 4	Ian M. Holland	.. Tenor

Composed by E. Timbrell.

Conducted by Ian M. Holland.

MINEHEAD, Somerset.—At the Church of SS. Michael and Andrew.

On Mon., Aug. 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 20 cwt. 23 lb. in E flat.

Ronald H. Bullen	.. Treble	Dennis Knox	.. 6
Edgar R. Rapley	.. 2	Frederick Ross	.. 7
Ruth M. Foreman	.. 3	George E. Fearn	.. 8
Michael Maughan	.. 4	Philip Mehew	.. 9
Gerald Penney	.. 5	Richard E. Price	.. Tenor

Composed by W. Pye.

Conducted by Richard E. Price.

THE FOLLOWING FOR THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

THORNCOMBE, Dorset.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Tues., Sept. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 20 cwt. 24 lb. in E flat.

Leonard Stilwell	.. Treble	Frederick Ross	.. 5
Norman Mallett	.. 2	Philip Mehew	.. 6
Gillian M. Hussey	.. 3	Ian M. Holland	.. 7
Michael Maughan	.. 4	Richard E. Price	.. Tenor

Composed by J. W. Washbrook (C.C.C. No. 1).

Conducted by Ian M. Holland.

First peal in the method as conductor. First of Surprise and of Major on the bells.

WHITECHURCH CANONICORUM, Dorset.—At the Church of

SS. Candida and Holy Cross.

On Tues., Sept. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 18 lb. in D.

Alick Cutler	.. Treble	Martin F. Lock	.. 5
Edgar R. Rapley	.. 2	Norman Mallett	.. 6
*Margaret A. Bould	.. 3	Ronald H. Bullen	.. 7
*Ruth M. Foreman	.. 4	D. John Hunt	.. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pitstow.

Conducted by Edgar R. Rapley.

\* First peal in the method. First in the method as conductor and on the bells.



LYME REGIS, Dorset.—At the Church of St. Michael-the-Archangel.

On Tues., Sept. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb. in G.

Dennis Knox .. .. Treble	Gerald Penney .. .. 5
William Rogers .. .. 2	Richard E. Price .. .. 6
Thomas J. Lock .. .. 3	C. Edward Jeffries .. .. 7
Ronald J. Sharp .. .. 4	George E. Fearn .. .. Tenor

Composed by G. Lindoff.

Conducted by Dennis Knox.

**THE FOLLOWING FOR THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

DRAYTON, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Catherine.

On Wed., Sept. 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5184 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 1 lb. in E.

C. Edward Jeffries .. Treble	Gerald Penney .. .. 5
Alick Cutler .. .. 2	D. John Hunt .. .. 6
Ronald J. Sharp .. .. 3	Thomas J. Lock .. .. 7
*Martin F. Lock .. .. 4	Richard E. Price .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. A. Barnett.

Conducted by Richard E. Price.

\* First peal in the method.

HUISH EPISCOPI, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Wed., Sept. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb. in F.

William Rogers .. .. Treble	Ronald H. Bullen .. .. 5
*Margaret A. Bould .. .. 2	D. John Hunt .. .. 6
Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 3	Ian M. Holland .. .. 7
Brian Bladon .. .. 4	George E. Fearn .. .. Tenor

Composed by Rev. H. Law James.

Conducted by Ian M. Holland.

\* First peal in the method.

ILMINSTER, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Thurs., Sept. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 22 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in C sharp.

Norman Mallett .. .. Treble	Gerald Penney .. .. 5
Brian Bladon .. .. 2	*Frederick Ross .. .. 6
Edgar R. Rapley .. .. 3	Richard E. Price .. .. 7
Michael Maughan .. .. 4	Frank C. Price .. .. Tenor

Composed by F. Dench (C.C.C. No. 4). Conducted by Frank C. Price.

\* 200th peal.

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

On Fri., Sept. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5152 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt.

Dennis D. T. C. Smith .. Treble	*Martin F. Lock .. .. 5
Ruth M. Foreman .. .. 2	Leonard Stilwell .. .. 6
Frederick Ross .. .. 3	Gerald Penney .. .. 7
Alick Cutler .. .. 4	D. John Hunt .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. K. Lewis.

Conducted by Gerald Penney.

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

WEST COKER, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Martin-of-Tours.

On Fri., Sept. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt.

Leonard Stilwell .. .. Treble	Gerald Penney .. .. 5
Martin F. Lock .. .. 2	Frederick Ross .. .. 6
William Rogers .. .. 3	Thomas J. Lock .. .. 7
Michael Maughan .. .. 4	Philip Mehew .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by Thomas J. Lock.

MARTOCK, Somerset.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., Sept. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In seven methods, being 768 each of Rutland, Superlative, London, Pudsey and Cambridge; 640 Bristol; 576 Yorkshire; with 142 changes of method.

Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

Ronald H. Bullen .. .. Treble	Ian M. Holland .. .. 5
*Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 2	Dennis Knox .. .. 6
Richard E. Price .. .. 3	D. John Hunt .. .. 7
Edgar R. Rapley .. .. 4	Frank C. Price .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. Smith.

Conducted by D. John Hunt.

\* First peal of seven Spiced.

**THE FOLLOWING FOR THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**

BEAMINSTER, Dorset.—At the Church of St. Mary-of-the-Annunciation.

On Fri., Sept. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

C. Edward Jeffries .. Treble	Ronald H. Bullen .. .. 5
*Ronald J. Sharp .. .. 2	Michael Maughan .. .. 6
†Margaret A. Bould .. .. 3	Richard E. Price .. .. 7
William Rogers .. .. 4	Philip Mehew .. .. Tenor

Composed by D. Knox.

Conducted by C. Edward Jeffries.

\* 500th peal. † First in the method.

**TOWER BELL PEALS**

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

LITTLE ASTON, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Mon., Sept. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPICED SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven extents in 21 methods: (1) Carlisle and Northumberland, (2) Chester and Munden, (3) Westminster and Allendale, (4) Lincoln and Coldstream, (5) London, Wells and Cuneastre, (6) Durham, Beverley, Surfleet and York, (7) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull, Primrose and Bourne; with 78 changes of method.

Tenor 9 cwt. 13 lb. in A.

*Cynthia M. Follis .. Treble	S. Clarke Walters .. .. 4
*D. Kay Moore .. .. 2	*P. George Golder .. .. 5
*Marilyn C. Smith .. .. 3	*Michael W. Fairey .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Michael W. Fairey.

\* First peal of Spiced Surprise Minor. Greatest number of Minor methods to a peal by all the band, on the bells and for the Society. Rung for St. Matthew's Day.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

COMPTON DANDO, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in four methods: (1) Plain Bob, (2) Kent T.B., (3) Plain Bob, (4) Oxford T.B., (5) Plain Bob, (6) Cambridge Surprise, (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 14½ cwt. in F.

Reginald G. Hooper .. Treble	George Prescott .. .. 4
Marjorie Legg .. .. 2	Patrick J. Bird .. .. 5
Allan Tubb .. .. 3	Brynley A. Shackleton .. Tenor

Conducted by Reginald G. Hooper.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss Marjorie M. Mogford and Mr. Geoffrey A. Hemmings, who were married at All Saint's, Publow, earlier this day.

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

On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 14 cwt.

Thomas J. Hill .. .. Treble	Frederick Welch .. .. 4
John T. Locke .. .. 2	Robert J. Dean .. .. 5
Reginald Beale .. .. 3	Jack W. Drew .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Jack W. Drew.

First peal on the bells.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

FLITTON, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents, with 74 bobs and 126 singles and 5-6 the right way throughout.

Tenor 6 cwt. in C.

David R. Saunderson .. Treble	Roy A. Ward .. .. 4
Andrew C. D. Mayes .. 2	Michael D. Trigg .. .. 5
Audrey R. Alexander .. 3	Anthony H. Smith .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Anthony H. Smith.

Rung to mark the engagement between Michael Trigg and Josephine Harris.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

MARPLE, Cheshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In 12 methods, being 320 each of Bristol, Cambridge, Cray, Eastcote, New Gloucester, Lincolnshire, Pudsey Superlative, Wembley, Yorkshire, and 960 of London and Rutland, with 139 changes of method.

Tenor 13 cwt.

Derek F. Yates .. .. Treble	C. Kenneth Lewis .. .. 5
Alan A Potts .. .. 2	John Worth .. .. 6
Robert J. Warrilow .. 3	William H. Dowse .. .. 7
Basil Jones .. .. 4	Robert B. Smith .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

Conducted by C. Kenneth Lewis.

THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

DRONFIELD, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. John.

On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt.

*Frank Cooper .. .. Treble	Leonard Goodall .. .. 5
*Catherine Bradley .. 2	John W. Sykes .. .. 6
Ian M. Holland .. .. 3	Amburn Wilson .. .. 7
Derek Peers .. .. 4	Geoffery N. Goodall .. Tenor

Composed by Amburn Wilson.

Conducted by Leonard Goodall.

\* First peal. The first-ever local peal at Dronfield on the eight bells.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BLACKHILL, Co. Durham.—At the Church of St. Aidan.

On Mon., Sept. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 63 lb. in F sharp.

*Frederick Ross .. .. Treble	†Andrew G. Craddock .. 5
Iris Thomson .. .. 2	†James Crowther .. .. 6
†William Davidson .. 3	*J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. 7
Michael Maughan .. 4	Eric N. Harrison .. .. Tenor

Composed by Joseph W. Parker.

Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

\* 100th peal together. † First of Major. ‡ First on tower bells.



**BLACKHILL, Co. Durham.**—At the Roman Catholic Church of St. Mary.

*On Wed., Sept. 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. Treble	George S. Deas .. .. 5
*James Crowther .. .. 2	Michael Maughan .. .. 6
Iris Thomson .. .. 3	Frederick Ross .. .. 7
M. Elaine Murcott .. .. 4	Eric N. Harrison .. .. Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.

Conducted by Eric N. Harrison.

\* First peal of Surprise.

Rung with best wishes to Frederick Ross on his moving to Hessele, East Yorkshire.

Tenor 15 cwt, 103 lb. in F.

**BIRSTWITH, Yorkshire.**—At the Church of St. James.

*On Sun., Sept. 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 11 cwt, 42 lb. in G.

Iris Thomson .. .. Treble	Roger I. Lumley .. .. 5
M. Elaine Murcott .. .. 2	George S. Deas .. .. 6
Michael Maughan .. .. 3	Eric N. Harrison .. .. 7
John A. Brown .. .. 4	J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. S. Wilde.

Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

Rung as a compliment to Frederick Ross, made Deacon by the Archbishop of York, in York Minster on this day.

**THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

**ICKLETON, Cambridgeshire.**—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

*On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 18 cwt, 2 qr. in F.

Johnson's Variation .. .. Treble	T. Reginald Dennis .. .. 5
*Rev. J. B. Hall .. .. 2	Chris. M. P. Johnson .. .. 6
Donald F. Murfett .. .. 3	†Gordon Lilley .. .. 7
John G. Gipson .. .. 4	William J. Ridgman .. .. Tenor

Conducted by William J. Ridgman.

\* First peal of Major. † First of Surprise Major.

Rung as a welcome home to Margaret, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Hall, who has recently returned from a year's service in the New Hebrides.

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

**RAYLEIGH, Essex.**—At the Church of Holy Trinity.

*On Tues., Sept. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Roy D. Tomlin .. .. Treble	Gerald D. Sandwell .. .. 5
David E. Belcham .. .. 2	Alfred J. House .. .. 6
Peter G. Brown .. .. 3	Philip J. Rothera .. .. 7
Bernard C. Sadler .. .. 4	Michael J. Hallett .. .. Tenor

Composed by F. N. Goiden.

Conducted by A. J. House.

A compliment to Philip H. Avey, of the local band, on his 76th birthday.

Tenor 16 cwt.

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**

**LYMPNE, Kent.**—At the Church of St. Stephen.

*On Thurs., Sept. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents .. .. Treble	Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.
*Adrian Neilson .. .. 2	Robert P. Brotherston .. .. 4
†Elizabeth Todd .. .. 3	Graham Neilson .. .. 5
‡Myrtle Cook .. .. 4	Crawford T. Hillis .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Crawford T. Hillis.

\* First peal. † First 'inside'. ‡ First of Minor.

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

**SOUTHPORT, Lancashire.**—At Christ Church.

*On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 3 Hours.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 PICKERING SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt.

Mrs. Mary Perry .. .. Treble	Norman Heaps .. .. 5
Ronald Kenrick .. .. 2	Eric Cook .. .. 6
Martin Snape .. .. 3	Fred Pearson .. .. 7
Victor Draper .. .. 4	Joseph Ridyard .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pittow.

Conducted by Joseph Ridyard.

Rung as a farewell to the Rev. Canon and Mrs. F. H. Pickering, who are retiring after 20 years' service at Christ Church.

**ULVERSTON, Lancashire.**—At the Church of St. Mary.

*On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents .. .. Treble	Tenor 13 cwt.
W. Thomas Turner .. .. 2	John Bagnall .. .. 4
James E. Dickinson .. .. 3	James Blackburn .. .. 5
William Wall .. .. 4	Alan Capstick .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Alan Capstick.

Rung following and in honour of the wedding of Miss Marion Adcock and Mr. Keith Newby.

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**LEICESTER.**—At the Church of All Saints.

*On Fri., Sept. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 8 cwt, 2 qr. 15 lb. in A.

Stephen Hall .. .. Treble	Joseph Wm. Cotton .. .. 5
Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. .. 2	David G. Wilford .. .. 6
Leslie N. Melton .. .. 3	Roland H. Cook .. .. 7
Alan E. Hartley .. .. 4	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. Tenor

Composed by Henry Dains.

Conducted by R. Kingsley Mason.

**SHEPshed, Leicestershire.**—At the Church of St. Botolph.

*On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 59 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

Joseph Wm. Cotton .. .. Treble	*Garry Wm. Mason .. .. 5
Malcolm E. Wade .. .. 2	Alan E. Hartley .. .. 6
A. James Poyner .. .. 3	Roland H. Cook .. .. 7
Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. .. 4	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. Tenor

Composed by William Barton.

Conducted by Roland H. Cook.

\* 25th peal.

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**LINCOLN.**—At the Cathedral Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

*On Fri., Sept. 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES**

Tenor 23 cwt, 3 qr. 13 lb. in D.

Joyce M. Gurnhill .. .. Treble	Walter Tomlinson .. .. 7
Iris Lemare .. .. 2	Norman V. Harding .. .. 8
George W. Pipe .. .. 3	Geoffrey Paul .. .. 9
John Freeman .. .. 4	James W. Raithby .. .. 10
Peter A. Sharp .. .. 5	Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. 11
Frank I. Hairs .. .. 6	John Walden .. .. Tenor

Composed by Charles J. Sedgley.

Conducted by George W. Pipe.

First touch of Cinques as conductor.

Rung to mark the 65th Anniversary Dinner of the Guild.

**PINCHBECK, Lincolnshire.**—At the Church of St. Mary.

*On Mon., Sept. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 18 cwt.

Ronald C. Noon .. .. Treble	Denis Woods .. .. 5
Edwin T. Chapman .. .. 2	Roger D. Bailey .. .. 6
John E. Allen .. .. 3	Brian Harris .. .. 7
George W. Massey .. .. 4	Cyril R. Burrell .. .. Tenor

Composed by Charles W. Roberts.

Conducted by George W. Massey.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSN. AND N. SOUTHWARK DIO. GUILD.**

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

*On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CATERS**

Tenor 16 cwt, 24 lb. in E.

Harold W. Rogers .. .. Treble	R. Mark Damerell .. .. 6
Hadley Hunter .. .. 2	Christopher H. Rogers .. .. 7
Kenneth J. Darvill .. .. 3	Peter N. Felton .. .. 8
Vivian Nutton .. .. 4	†S. Clarke Walters .. .. 9
*John W. Thorp .. .. 5	Douglas M. Boniface .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Hadley Hunter.

\* First peal of Stedman and on ten bells. † 50th peal.

Rung to celebrate the 21st birthday of Christopher H. Rogers, and the 23rd wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Rogers.

**BARNES, London, S.W.13.**—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

*On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt, 2 qr. 20 lb. in G.

Patricia Rogers .. .. Treble	Kenneth J. Darvill .. .. 5
Michael Hatchett .. .. 2	William Birmingham .. .. 6
Christopher H. Rogers .. .. 3	*Wilfrid G. Wilson .. .. 7
†Olive L. Rogers .. .. 4	*Harold W. Rogers .. .. Tenor

Composed by George H. Cross.

Conducted by Harold W. Rogers.

\* 300th peal. † 120th peal together.

Rung as a contribution to the Barnes Arts Council, 1964.

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.**

**LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.**—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

*On Wed., Sept. 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 HEREFORD BOB MAJOR**

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

Joseph W. Cotton .. .. Treble	G. Ronald Edwards .. .. 5
Richard J. Clifton .. .. 2	Peter Humphrey .. .. 6
Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. .. 3	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. 7
Arthur E. Rowley .. .. 4	Roland Beniston .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Roland Beniston.

First in the method by all the band and for the Guild.

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**THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
**MACCLESFIELD, Cheshire.**—At the Church of St. Peter.  
*On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in B flat.  

*Denis Heapy .. .. Treble	*J. Michael Jack .. .. 5
J. Leslie Shenton .. .. 2	Roy Worrall .. .. 6
F. Hector Bennett .. .. 3	Ivor R. Nichols .. .. 7
J. Alban Jack .. .. 4	Barry Corbishley .. .. Tenor

 Composed by G. Lewis. Conducted by Ivor R. Nichols.  
 \* First peal in the method. Ringer of tenor has now 'circled the tower' twice.

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
**FAST HARLING, Norfolk.**—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.  
*On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents. Tenor 11 cwt.  

Frank C. J. Arnold .. .. Treble	Norman Watson .. .. 4
Leonard W. King .. .. 2	Paul H. A. Jonason .. .. 5
Wilfrid G. Saunders .. .. 3	C. Frank W. Philippo .. Tenor

 Conducted by C. Frank W. Philippo.  
 Rung in honour of the wedding this day of Mr. L. J. King and Miss D. Doe, both ringers at the above church.

**GARBOLDISHAM, Norfolk.**—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.  
*On Sun., Sept. 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

In four methods, being one extent of London, and two each of Norwich, Ipswich and Cambridge. Tenor 11 cwt. in F sharp.  

William Clover .. .. Treble	John Cox .. .. 4
David Cubitt .. .. 2	Henry Tooke .. .. 5
Peter M. Adcock .. .. 3	Leslie F. Bailey .. .. Tenor

 Conducted by Leslie F. Bailey.

Rung on the day of Harvest Thanksgiving in honour of the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Cubitt, of Norwich.

**NORTH ELMHAM, Norfolk.**—At the Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

*On Wed., Sept. 23, 1964, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5120 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.  

*Sidney Marshall .. .. Treble	Edward Howes .. .. 5
Janet Hohl .. .. 2	Timothy G. Pett .. .. 6
Roy E. Cullington .. .. 3	George P. Adams .. .. 7
Kevin S. Hohl .. .. 4	Nolan Golden .. .. Tenor

 Composed and Conducted by Nolan Golden.

\* 75th peal.  
 Rung half-muffled in memoriam Air Vice-Marshals Francis Percival Don, O.B.E., Churchwarden and a Deputy Lieutenant for Norfolk, whose memorial service took place in the afternoon.

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**HIGH WYCOMBE, Buckinghamshire.**—At the Church of All Saints.

*On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 47 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5280 LONDINIUM SURPRISE MAXIMUS**

Tenor 29 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in C sharp.  

Joan Beresford .. .. Treble	Dennis Knox .. .. 7
Frederick R. Scott .. .. 2	Jack S. Dear .. .. 8
Claudia A. Critchley .. .. 3	J. Keith Ward .. .. 9
John Hill .. .. 4	J. Richard Castledine .. 10
G. William Critchley .. .. 5	Frank C. Price .. .. 11
Thomas J. Lock .. .. 6	John R. Mayne .. .. Tenor

 Conducted by John R. Mayne.

First peal of Londinium Surprise Maximus by all the band, and for the Guild.

Rung with the best wishes of the band to David J. Taylor and Janet Ferrari, married this day at Harrow Weald.

**THE ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**ST. DAVID'S, Pembrokeshire.**—At the Cathedral of St. David.

*On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5280 KENT AND OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Liversedge Variation. Tenor 24 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in D.  

Hazel Way .. .. Treble	Gwyn I. Lewis .. .. 5
Penelope J. Welch .. .. 2	Alan McFall .. .. 6
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 3	David J. Llewellyn .. .. 7
Edmund J. Morris .. .. 4	Brian J. Woodruffe .. .. Tenor

 Composed by Ernest Morris. Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

First peal in this variation on the bells, for the Guild and by all except the conductor. 500th as conductor.

**ST. FLORENCE, Pembrokeshire.**—At the Church of St. Florencius.

*On Sun., Sept. 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 CHILDWALL BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor 9 cwt.  

*Edmund J. Morris .. .. Treble	*Alan McFall .. .. 4
*Penelope J. Welch .. .. 2	Brian J. Woodruffe .. .. 5
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 3	*David J. Llewellyn .. .. Tenor

 Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

\* First peal in the method.

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

*On Thurs., Sept. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5024 MACCLESFIELD SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 38 lb. in A.  

J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. Treble	John C. Eisel .. .. 5
Peter Border .. .. 2	Michael J. Fellows .. .. 6
Martin D. Fellows .. .. 3	Norman J. Goodman .. .. 7
Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 4	George E. Fearn .. .. Tenor

 Arranged and Conducted by Peter Border.

First peal in the method by all the band. Rung with 6th place bobs.

**THE SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.**

**LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.**—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

*On Mon., Sept. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

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

George A. Dawson .. .. Treble	Peter Humphrey .. .. 5
Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. .. 2	Michael Poppleston .. .. 6
Raymond Benfield .. .. 3	B. Stedman Payne .. .. 7
*Simon Humphrey .. .. 4	G. Ronald Edwards .. .. Tenor

 Composed by A. Craven. Conducted by Raymond Benfield.  
 \* First in the method.

**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**SOUTHWELL, Notts.**—At the Cathedral Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

*On Tues., Sept. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Tenor 10½ cwt. approx.  

*William L. Exton .. .. Treble	David D. Parsons .. .. 5
†Margaret E. Chilton .. .. 2	George A. Dawson .. .. 6
John R. Pratchett .. .. 3	F. William Midwinter .. .. 7
C. Anthony Parsons .. .. 4	Charles J. Copp .. .. Tenor

 Composed by Carter. Conducted by John R. Pratchett.  
 \* 175th peal for the Guild. † 50th for the Guild. First in the method as conductor. First of Triples on the bells.

**GEDLING, Notts.**—At the Church of All Hallows.

*On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb. in G.  

Ruth M. Blackshaw .. Treble	Maurice W. Harrison .. 4
C. Raymond Larkin .. 2	George A. Dawson .. .. 5
*John T. Burnup .. .. 3	Dudley Surman .. .. Tenor

 Conducted by George A. Dawson.

\* First peal of Minor and first on an 'inside' bell. First of Minor on the bells. First of Minor as conductor.

A 21st birthday compliment to Miss Diana Taylor.

**NORTH MUSKHAM, Notts.**—At the Church of St. Wilfred.

*On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb.  

Harold Denman .. .. Treble	Frederick G. Hooper .. 4
C. Anthony Parsons .. 2	David D. Parsons .. .. 5
Susan J. Moxon .. .. 3	Clarence F. Briggs .. .. Tenor

 Conducted by Frederick G. Hooper.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, Notts.**—At the Church of St. Edmund.

*On Wed., Sept. 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent of Kent T.B., two of Single Oxford and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr.  

S. Jane Dowse .. .. Treble	William L. Exton .. .. 4
*Robert D. Marsh .. .. 2	C. Raymond Larkin .. .. 5
†Ruth Blackshaw .. .. 3	Maurice W. Harrison .. Tenor

 Conducted by William L. Exton.

\* First peal in three methods. † 75th peal.

**THE SUFFOLK GUILD.**

**WEST STOW, Suffolk.**—At the Church of St. Mary.

*On Sat., Aug. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In five methods, being one extent each of Double Court, Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob, and two each of Kent T.B. and St. Clement's. Tenor 15 cwt.  

A. F. Balaam .. .. Treble	*H. B. Fuller .. .. 4
*Mrs. H. Ivings .. .. 2	†R. Fordham .. .. 5
R. Rose .. .. 3	M. J. Rose .. .. Tenor

 Conducted by M. J. Rose.

\* First peal in five methods. † First peal. First as conductor. Rung half-muffled for the passing of Mr. W. F. Rickwood.

**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

**BRIGHTON, Sussex.**—At the Church of St. Nicholas-of-Myra.

*On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 18 cwt. 20 lb. in E.  

Herbert W. Woolven .. Treble	Giles B. Thompson .. .. 6
Richard C. L. Brown .. 2	Frank H. Hicks .. .. 7
John A. Howard .. .. 3	W. Arthur Riddington .. 8
Ernest J. Ladd .. .. 4	Martin L. Howe .. .. 9
John W. Coleman .. .. 5	Bernard F. L. Groves .. Tenor

 Composed by W. Pye. Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.

Rung on the occasion of the dedication in the belfry of a tablet to the respected memory of Harry Stalham.



## THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

CONSTANTINE, Cornwall.—At the Church of St. Constantine.

On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 40 six-scores and one 240.	Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb. in B flat.
*C. Paul Mossop .. .. Treble	Kathleen N. Mossop .. 4
Alan Carveth .. .. 2	Anthony J. Davidson .. 5
†Anthony Locke .. .. 3	George W. Riddy .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Alan Carveth.

\* First peal. † 50th peal. The first peal on the bells.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

BURITON, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's Bob and Grandsire, and four extents of Plain Bob.	Tenor 8½ cwt.
Keith Sansom .. .. Treble	Kenneth G. Waller .. 4
Ramon A. Stone .. .. 2	Derek J. White .. .. 5
Susan E. Smith .. .. 3	Charles E. Bassett .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Charles E. Bassett.

First peal of Minor on the bells in more than one method.

HAVANT, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Faith.

On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

Anthony R. Cope .. .. Treble	William F. J. Cope .. 5
Denby P. Murduck .. .. 2	Morgan Marshall .. 6
Reginald W. Rex .. .. 3	Geoffrey K. Dodd .. 7
Philip. Murduck .. .. 4	Reginald F. Crook .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. Pritchard.

Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

Rung to welcome a baby granddaughter to the ringer of 6, born the previous day.

ALDERMASTON, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., Sept. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb. in G.

*Paul G. Holmes .. .. Treble	*Philip Murduck .. 5
*Denby P. Murduck .. 2	Reginald W. Rex .. 6
*David L. Wilcox .. 3	Reginald F. Crook .. 7
*Michael S. Holbrook .. 4	Geoffrey K. Dodd .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. Dains.

Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

\* First peal in the method.

HIGHCLERE, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Groves' Variation of Parkers Twelve-Part.

*Bradley Murduck .. .. Treble	*Paul G. Holmes .. 5
Reginald W. Rex .. .. 2	*Philip Murduck .. 6
*Michael S. Holbrook .. 3	Geoffrey K. Dodd .. 7
*Denby P. Murduck .. 4	Reginald F. Crook .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

\* First peal of Grandsire Triples. Tenor 11 cwt. 27 lb. in G.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BATLEY, Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.

Roger J. Lumley .. .. Treble	*F. Charles Hobson .. 5
Mrs. H. B. Schofield .. 2	B. Gillian Schofield .. 6
*A. William Kirkby .. 3	Roderick W. Pipe .. 7
*Peter A. Kirkby .. 4	S. Barry Schofield .. .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

\* First peal in the method.

HEPTONSTALL, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Thomas.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In three methods, being 1,472 Lincolnshire, 2,176 Yorkshire and 1,408 Cambridge, with 134 changes of method.

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lb. in E.

David Smith .. .. Treble	*Allan Sheppard .. 5
Iris Lemare .. .. 2	*K. Brian Sissons .. 6
Frances Fainbank .. 3	*John Potts .. .. 7
J. Neville Parkin .. 4	J. Henry Fielden .. .. Tenor

Arranged by E. A. Barnett.

Conducted by J. Henry Fielden.

\* First touch of Spiced.

WENTWORTH, Yorkshire.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being extents of Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Oxford T.B., Double Court, Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

Tenor 10 cwt. 12 lb.

Michael King .. .. Treble	David Nichols .. 4
Stuart Armeson .. .. 2	Neil Donovan .. 5
Michael R. Meadows .. 3	Richard E. Price .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Richard E. Price.

First peal in seven methods by all except ringer of the tenor.

## HANDBELL PEALS

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

HARROW, Middlesex.—At 170, Headstone Lane.

On Fri., Sept. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 20 methods, comprising 320 each of Bristol, Cambridge, Ealing, Eastcote, Elford, Leatherhead, Lindum, London, Rutland, Uxbridge, Watford and Wembley, and 160 each of Aldenham, Hitchin, Langley, Lincolnshire, Painswick, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire, with 134 changes of method.

Tenor size 15 in C.

S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. 1—2	Roger Baldwin .. 5—6
Christopher W. Woolley .. 3—4	John R. Mayne .. 7—8

Composed and Conducted by John R. Mayne.

Umpire, Derek E. Sibson.

First peal to be rung in 20 Surprise Major methods on handbells. The umpire checked every lead-end throughout the peal.

## THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

All rung at SWANSEA, Glamorgan, at More-Awelon, Lon Derw, Tycoch.

On Fri., Aug. 7, 1964, in 1 Hour and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In four methods, being 1,440 each of Oxford T.B., Fulbeck Bob and Double Plain Bob, and 120 Plain Bob.

Tenor size 14½ in C sharp.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2	Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
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J. Arthur Hoare .. 5—6

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 1 Hour and 56 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 ABERTAWA BOB MINOR

Seven different extents.

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2	Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
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\*J. Arthur Hoare .. 5—6

\* 100th peal.

The first peal in the method—34, 16 x 16 x 56, i.h.—12-54632.

On Sun., Aug. 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 12 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5152 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 16 in B.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2	J. Arthur Hoare .. 5—6
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Brian J. Woodruffe .. 3—4	Edmund J. Morris .. 7—8
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Composed by C. K. Lewis.

Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

On Mon., Aug. 10, 1964, in 1 Hour and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Seven extents.

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2	Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
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J. Arthur Hoare .. 5—6

First peal in the method on handbells for the Guild, and by all except the conductor.

On Sun., Aug. 16, 1964, in 1 Hour and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 COLLEGE BOB MINOR

Seven different extents.

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2	Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
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\* J. Arthur Hoare .. 5—6

First peal in the method by all and for the Guild.

On Mon., Aug. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In six methods: (1) Oxford T.B., (2) Kent T.B., (3) St. Clement's College Bob, (4) Buxton College Bob, (5) Double Plain Bob, (6 and 7) Plain Bob.

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2	Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
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J. Arthur Hoare .. 5—6

On Fri., Aug. 21, 1964, in 1 Hour and 56 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In five methods: (1) Gower College Bob, (2) St. Nicholas College Bob, (3) Abertawe Bob, (4) Velindre Bob, (5, 6 and 7) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bpb.

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2	Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
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J. Arthur Hoare .. 5—6

On Sun., Aug. 23, 1964, in 1 Hour and 49 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 ST. NICHOLAS' COLLEGE BOB MINOR

Seven different extents.

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2	Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
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J. Arthur Hoare .. 5—6

First peal in the method: 34, 16 x 36 x 36, i.h.—12-36245.

On Sun., Aug. 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GAINSBOROUGH LITTLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 18 in G.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2	J. Arthur Hoare .. 5—6
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Brian J. Woodruffe .. 3—4	Edmund J. Morris .. 7—8
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Composed and Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

First peal in the method by all and for the Guild.

On Mon., Aug. 24, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 BUXTON COLLEGE BOB MINOR

Seven different extents.

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2	Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4
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J. Arthur Hoare .. 5—6

First peal in the method on handbells.



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### MISCELLANEOUS

**ALDERSHOT.**—There will be no ringing practice at Aldershot on Friday, October 16th, 1964. 5506

**CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.**—There will be no Wednesday or Sunday ringing in October. 5504

**CHRISTMAS CARDS.**—In aid of Guildford Cathedral Bell Fund. Beautiful Madonna and Child. 6" x 4" 5s. per doz., including envelopes c.w.o. to Mrs. S. M. Beck, Crookham Vicarage, Hants. 5503

**LOST** on Liverpool University tour in Oxford area, College Scarf. (blue, green and white with faded initials P.A.F.). If found please contact Miss A. Freeman, 1, Hillside Road, West Kirby, Cheshire. 5508

**ST. MARY'S, READING.**—Annual Dinner and half-day outing November 21st. All friends very welcome. Please write for details to Miss P. Buss, 2, Derby Road, Caversham, Reading, before October 19th. 5472

**SURPRISE MAJOR PRACTICE** at Shalford on Thursday, October 22nd (repeat October 22nd), at 7.30 p.m. Methods: Bristol, Cambridge, Lincolnshire, London, Pudsey, Rutland, Superlative and Yorkshire. 5531

**TRURO CATHEDRAL.**—The Bell-hangers will shortly be at work, and it is anticipated that the re-hanging will be completed in time for Sunday service ringing on Sunday, November 29th. Weekly practices are being held at the following towers, cars leaving from West end of Cathedral each Tuesday at 7.30 p.m.:—Ladock: October 13th, November 3rd; St. Enoder: October 20th, November 10th; Probus: October 27th, November 17th. 5522

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### MEETINGS

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Frome Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Douling Saturday, October 10th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea please to Mr. A. Kingston, Fairview, Douling, Shepton Mallett.—E. Chivers, Chilcompton. 5452

### BACK NUMBERS

'The Ringing World' has received a very generous gift of back numbers dating from 1919 to 1959. While some are brown with the passing of years, the majority are clean and serviceable. We propose to offer these to readers who want to complete their files. The charge will be 8d. per copy post free.

### DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

Quarterly general meeting at Clowne on October 10th (please note change of date). Bells available: Barlborough (6) 2.30-4; Clowne (6) 3.30-4.30 and 6-7.30; Creswell (8) 7-9. Service at Clowne 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea, please, to Mr. G. Hunt, 9, East Street, Clowne, Chesterfield. —B. P. Morris, Gen. Sec. 5433

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Joint meeting of Ely and Cambridge Districts with Cambridge University Guild at Longstanton, on Saturday, October 10th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30, tea 5 p.m. Ringing until 8.30. 5441

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—N.E. District.—Meeting at Great Tey, Saturday, October 10th. Bells (8) 2.30. Service 4.30. Names for tea to J. W. Dyer, 2, Guild Hall Cottages, The Chase, Great Tey, Colchester. 5447

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—Redbourn (6). Sat., October 10th. Bells 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to G. Reading, 57, Hempstead Rd., Redbourn. 5464

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—Annual District meeting at Maidstone, Saturday, October 10th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. L. Cullingworth, 45, Holtye Crescent, Maidstone.—T. A. Cross, Dis. Sec. 5453

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Loughborough District.—Monthly meeting, October 10th, at Woodhouse Eaves. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at church rooms. Names for tea to Mr. F. Chambers, 24, Main St., Woodhouse Eaves, Loughborough, Leics. 5400

**LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.**—Monmouth Branch.—Meeting at Usk, October 10th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea please to Mr. L. Jones, Heathfield, Monmouth Road, Usk, Mon.—J. S. King. 5450

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting Saturday, October 10th. Science Museum, South Kensington, 2.30 p.m., demonstration of Carter ringing machine, St. Luke's, Sydney Street, Chelsea, 5-6 p.m. St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington Church Street, 6.45-7.45 p.m. Business after meeting.—V. E. Dupré, Hon. Sec. 5488

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—(N. and E. District).—Saturday, October 10th, St. Vedast, Foster Lane, E.C.2, 3.15 p.m.—4.45 p.m. Own tea arrangements. Bishopsgate bells available from 6.15.—E. H. Kilby, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5451

**MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.**—Meeting at Rolleston-on-Dove, Saturday, October 10th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30, tea 5 p.m. All welcome. 5458

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Newbury Branch.—Annual general meeting, Newbury, Saturday, October 10th. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to W. Hunt, 5, Cheriton Close, Newbury. 5483

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bingham District.—Meeting at Gedling, October 10th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30, tea 5. Names for tea to M. J. Dawson, 33, Cambridge Street, Carlton, Nottingham.—R. Blackshaw. 5469

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southampton District.—Meeting at North Stoneham, October 10th. Bells 2.30; service 4.15; tea 5. Business meeting follows.—H. J. Thomas, Dis. Sec. 5510

**WORCESTER ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—Annual meeting at Hampton (8) on Saturday, October 10th. Bells from 3 p.m.: service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to W. J. Newman, Manor Farm, Minton, by Wednesday please. 5492

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—Business meeting including nomination of officers at The Rising Sun, Carter Lane, E.C., on Tuesday, October 13th, at 8.15 p.m.—John Chilcott. 5526

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Surprise Royal practice on Tuesday, October 13th, at St. Nicholas', Guildford from 8.45-9 p.m. All welcome. 5528

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Crewkerne Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Ilton, 'a new ring' of 6, Saturday, October 17th. Service 4.30. Notify for tea early, to: J. T. Locke, Hon. Sec., School Street, Drayton, Langport. 5507

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Dunster Branch.—Branch practices at Minehead (10) October 14th, November 21st. St. Decumans (6) October 31st, 7-1 p.m.—A. R. Tudball. 5509

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Glastonbury Branch.—Meeting at Baltonsborough (6) on Saturday, October 17th. Bells 3 p.m.: service 4.30; tea and meeting. Names for tea by Tuesday, 13th please.—P. Hull, Hon. Sec., Dinder, Wells. 5514

**BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Monthly meeting Saturday, October 17th, North Cave (6) 2 p.m. to 4.15 p.m. North Ferriby (6) 3.30 p.m. until service at 4.45 p.m., followed by tea 5.30 p.m. and evening ringing. Names for tea by previous Thursday to Rev. D. J. Bulman, The Vicarage, North Ferriby. 5499

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Crewe Branch.—Nantwich, October 17th. Bells (8) 3 p.m.: service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea MUST be received by October 14th.—W. Kerr, 107, Moreton Road, Crewe. 5512

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wirral Branch.—St. Andrew's, Bebington, October 17th. Bells (8) 3 p.m.: service 4.30 p.m. Tea FREE for those notifying by Thursday previous.—Alexander J. Martin, 28, Glenmore Road, Oxtown, Birkenhead. 5492

**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Quarterly meeting on Saturday, October 17th, at Monks Kirby. Bells 2.30, service 4.30, tea, 5 p.m. Names for tea, which is at the Denbigh Arms, by 14th at latest, to J. L. Garner-Hayward, Lowfold, Ashorne Warwick. 5481

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—Joint meeting with LADIES GUILD—North-Eastern Branch.—Meeting at Lanchester on Saturday, October 17th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Names for tea to H. P. Thompson, 3, Hallgarth Terrace, Lanchester, Durham. 5519

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Hunts District.—Meeting at Gt. Gransden (6), Saturday, October 17th. Bells 3 p.m.; service 4.30; tea 5 p.m. Ringing in the evening.—Michael J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 5520

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Leatherhead District.—Meeting at Banstead, October 17th. Ringing at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. followed by tea and meeting. Notifications for tea by October 14th, to Mr. H. N. Pittsow, Saffron, High Street, Banstead Surrey. 5523

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern and Bishop Stortford District.—Joint meeting October 17th. Great Amwell 3-5 p.m. Broxbourne 6-8 p.m. There will be no formal business meeting. Please make own tea arrangements.—D. H. Kingston. 5523

**HEREFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—October 17th South Mimms. Bells (6) 3 p.m.: service 4.30; tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. J. Frost, 38, Blanche Lane, South Mimms, Barnet, Herts. Monken Hadley (8) 6.30-8.30 p.m.—M. A. Coburn. 5500

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—Annual meeting, Saturday, October 17th, St. Dunstan's, Canterbury. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.15 p.m. tea follows in Church Hall, business meeting afterwards. Other ringing arrangements available on receipt of S.A.E. Those requiring tea please notify by previous Wednesday to District Secretary, Mr. T. C. Phillimore, 47, Peter's Grove, Canterbury. 5469

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—Annual District meeting at Rochester Cathedral on October 17th. Service 3.15 p.m. Bells available 4.15. Tea and meeting at Elizabeth's of Eastgate, High Street. Only for those who notify Mr. M. Layton, 19, Burleigh Close, Red Court Road Strood by first post on Tuesday, October 13th, at 4.45 p.m. followed by further ringing until 9 p.m.—L. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5515



**LADIES' GUILD** (Central District), **OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD** (E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch) and **MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (S. and W. District).—Joint meeting, Saturday, October 17th, at St. John's, Hillingdon, Bells (10) from 3. Service 4.45 p.m., tea and evening social in St. John's Hall, Iver bells (8), 2.30-3.45. Buses 458 and 207 connect. Notifications for tea appreciated. All welcome.—Miss J. Spreadbury, Miss D. Hague and F. W. Goodfellow, 46, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks, Hon. Secs. 5473

**LEICESTER DIO. GUILD**.—Quarterly general meeting in Melton District, October 17th, Bells: Eaton (6) 2-3; Croxton Kerrial (6) 2.30-3.30; Waltham (6) 3-3.45; Melton (10) 3.30-4.10 and 6.30-8; Somerby (6) 7.30-9. Service Melton 4.15: Tea (followed by meeting) in Colles Hall (opposite church) at 5 p.m. (Adults 3s.; Juniors 2s.). Names for tea to Mrs. M. Stimson, Westfield, Somerby, Melton Mowbray, Leics. by October 13th. No name, no tea. Important business—a decision will be taken as to whether the Guild should organise a striking competition. Tickets for dinner on November 14th (17s. 6d.) will be available.—B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen. Sec. 5473

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD** (Elloe Deaneries Branch) and **ELY DIOCESAN GUILD** (Wisbech Branch).—Joint meeting at Tydd St. Mary on Saturday, October 17th, Bells (6) available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous, to Mr. W. L. Ketteringham, East Field, Tydd St. Mary, Wisbech, Cambs.—K. R. Davey, Hon. Dis. Sec., L.D.G. 5482

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Southern Branch.—Meeting at New Buckenham, Saturday, October 17th, Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, October 14th to Mr. W. G. Saunders, King Street, New Buckenham, Norwich, NOR 04X.—C. F. W. Philippo, Hon. Sec. 5459

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Banbury Branch.—Quarterly meeting Hanwell, October 17th, Bells (5) 2.30. Service 4, tea and business 4.45 p.m. Ringing at Wroxton (5) 7 p.m. Names for tea by October 14th, to G. Sturch, Council Houses, Hanwell, Banbury, Oxon. 5321

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Bicester and District Branch.—Annual meeting, Launton, Saturday, October 17th (6). Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m.; tea 4.45 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to Mr. Kinch, 3, The Causeway, Bicester. 5517

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Chipping Norton Branch.—Autumn meeting at Enstone on Saturday, October 17th, Bells (6) 3 p.m.; service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea to: Mr. E. J. Townsend, Chapel Lane, Shipton-under-Wychwood, Oxford. 5496

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Meeting Culworth Saturday, October 17th, Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to A. T. Humphries, 31, Barley Hill, Culworth, Banbury. 5527

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD**.—Quarterly meeting, Shirley, October 17th, Bells (8) available 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Meeting 6 in St. James's School.—G. E. Fearn, Hon. Sec. 5449

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS**.—Annual Dinner at Church House Restaurant, Great Smith Street, Westminster, S.W.1, on February 6th, 1965. Tickets available from F. J. Matthews, 6, Foxwood Road, Bean, near Dartford, Kent. 5476

**SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS and SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**—Mansfield District.—Joint meeting at Greasley (8) on Saturday, October 17th, at 2.45 p.m. Tea at 4.30 followed by service. Names for tea to Mr. D. Beach, 17, Coach Drive, Eastwood, by the 15th.—Sec. 5524

**STAFFORD ARCH. SOCIETY**.—Meeting Yoxall, Saturday, October 17th, Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Names for tea please, by Wednesday, October 14th latest, to C. M. Smith, Roiselle, Walsall Road, Lichfield, Staffs. Tel. Lich. 2124. 5432

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Joint practice meeting of the Southern and Western Divisions at St. Nicholas, Brighton (10), Saturday, October 17th, Bells 3 p.m.; tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, by previous Wednesday please, to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hurslipierpoint. 5516

**UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY**.—General meeting at St. Olave's, Hart Street, vestry on October 17th. Names for tea to Hon. Sec., Miss Y. Edwards, 11, Wedderburn Road, London, N.W.3, who will also supply ringing arrangements. First practice of term at 6.30 p.m. on October 8th at St. Olave's. Nearest tube—Tower Hill. Turn right and right again, up Seething Lane. Freshers very welcome.—R. O. Humphries. 5402

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD**—Basingstoke District. —Quarterly meeting at Wolverton, Hants, on Saturday, October 17th, Bells 2.30: service 4.30: tea 5. Names for tea to J. Chesterman, Leacroft, Sherborne St. John, Basingstoke, Hants. 5511

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Cheltenham Branch.—Meeting at Ebrington (6) on Tuesday, October 20th, 7.15 p.m. All Welcome.—John Humphrey. 5501

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Western Branch.—An evening practice meeting at North Elmham on Wednesday, October 21st, Bells available from 6.30. Next quarterly meeting at Gaywood on Saturday, November 21st. Please make every effort to attend.—C. T. 5525

### WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

#### THE ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

will be held on

Saturday, October 24th, at 6.15 p.m.

at the

#### CO-OPERATIVE HALL, WORCESTER.

Tickets (15s. each) from Branch Secretaries and General Secretary by October 19th. Professional entertainment. Dancing until 11 p.m. Ringing: Cathedral (12) 3.30-5 p.m., All Saints' (10) 4.30-6 p.m., St. Swithun's (6) 5-6 p.m. D. Beacham, The Lea, Hallow, Worcester, Gen. Sec. 5462

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION**.—The 11th annual dinner will be held in the Saracen's Head Hotel, Chelmsford, on Saturday, October 31st, 6.15, for 6.45 p.m. Tickets (limited number only) 17s. 6d. Obtainable from P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Dansbury, S.A.E. please. Not later than Saturday, October 24th. 5356

### SOCIETY OF CHANGERINGERS FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD

The annual dinner will take place on Saturday, November 7th, 6 p.m. for 6.30 p.m. At Taylor's Restaurant, Cannock. Tickets 13s. 6d. Apply (with remittance) to B. G. Key, Sunnyside, Newport Road, Gnosall, Stafford. 5513

**NORTHERN UNIVERSITIES**.—A joint meeting will be held in Liverpool on Saturday, November 21st. Details later.—J. J. Fox, Rathbone Hall, North Mossy Hill Road, Liverpool 18. 5494

Mr. Fred Price thanks the many who sent him messages of congratulations and good wishes on his forthcoming American trip. An exceptional busy season prevents him replying before he leaves on October 14th. Mr. Price will be staying in private apartments with a separate entrance in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred B. Fitt, 3501 Macomb Street, N.W., Washington D.C., which is only three blocks from the Cathedral.

### LATE NOTICES

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION**.—S.W. District.—Amended Notice. —Quarterly meeting at Thorpe Bay, October 10th, Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Prittlewell (10) from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to M. Mawbey, 135, Ashurst Avenue, Thorpe Bay. 5376

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Farnham District.—Combined practice at Crondall, Saturday, October 10th, 6 to 9 p.m.—D. Flsmore, Hon. Sec. 5529

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Peterborough Branch.—Autumn meeting at Deeping St. James (6), October 10th, Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. (Church Hall). All welcome.—R. H. Daw, Sec. 5530

### KIMPTON CUP COMPETITION

The sixth Kimpton Cup competition was held at SS. Peter and Paul's, Kimpton, on September 26th. The competition, open to Hertfordshire towers, was rather poorly supported this year—only five entries from a possible 70 or so towers affiliated.

Two neighbouring towers were open during the afternoon—Codicote, a pleasant six, and Welwyn, a light eight, which unfortunately 'shout down' into the High Street of this Best Kept Village.

Following the competition, over 40 ringers sat down to a salad tea served by local ladies in the Village Hall. Would tea be more enjoyable if the results were announced beforehand?

After tea the Vicar of Kimpton, the Rev. K. G. Martin, welcomed the ringers once again to Kimpton and thanked them generally for their service to the Church in their various places. He hoped that the new towns would realise the value of the bells and consider making provision for them in the new churches. The Rev. Mr. Martin then asked the judges, Mr. A. P. Cannon and Mr. C. H. Kippin, for their comments and results. Mr. Kippin said the general level of ringing was good, and if Sunday service ringing was up to this standard we should not have much cause for concern. A large number of faults were caused by bad leads. A poor lead often resulted in several faults in that row. The treble ringer in several teams was too quick and did not give the larger bells enough room. Tenors were also criticised in some cases for forcing too fast a pace. Considerable amusement was caused by Mr. Kippin's imagined description of the treble ringer of one band. He pictured a fair young damsel ringing the bell and the conductor reluctant to shout at this pretty young thing as she made fault after fault. The gentleman from Baldock who was actually concerned appeared to be a little embarrassed but took it all in good part.

Mr. Cannon supported Mr. Kippin's comments and said that most of the faults were caused by the trebles.

The results were as follows: 1 North Mymms (Cambridge), 127 faults; 2 Kings Langley (Plain Bob), 147; 3 Baldock (Cambridge), 157; 4 St. Stephen's, St. Albans (Kent), 238. Kimpton (Plain Bob Doubles) were disqualified for not completing 360 changes due to a miscall.

This made the 'hat-trick' for North Mymms, Mr. G. Spencer receiving the Kimpton Cup on behalf of the band from the Rev. Martin.

The judges were each presented with an ash tray as a memento and token of appreciation. This gift prompted the query from one of the judges as to whether it was a Mears or a Taylor bell depicted on the ash tray.

In general discussion that followed, it was agreed that the date of the next competition should be September 25th, 1965, at Kimpton. The committee for the 1965 event are as follows: Messrs. B. M. Barker, E. G. Buck, J. G. Cull, P. Fells and D. C. Price.

J. G. C.

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**SEAVENTON, SOMERSET.**—On September 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: H. Drayton 1, J. Cornelius 2, R. Welch 3, T. Hill 4, H. Gummer (cond.) 5, F. Stenner 6. 25th quarter together by 2 and 3. Rung as welcome home touch to Tom Gummer, home from Canada after 48 years.

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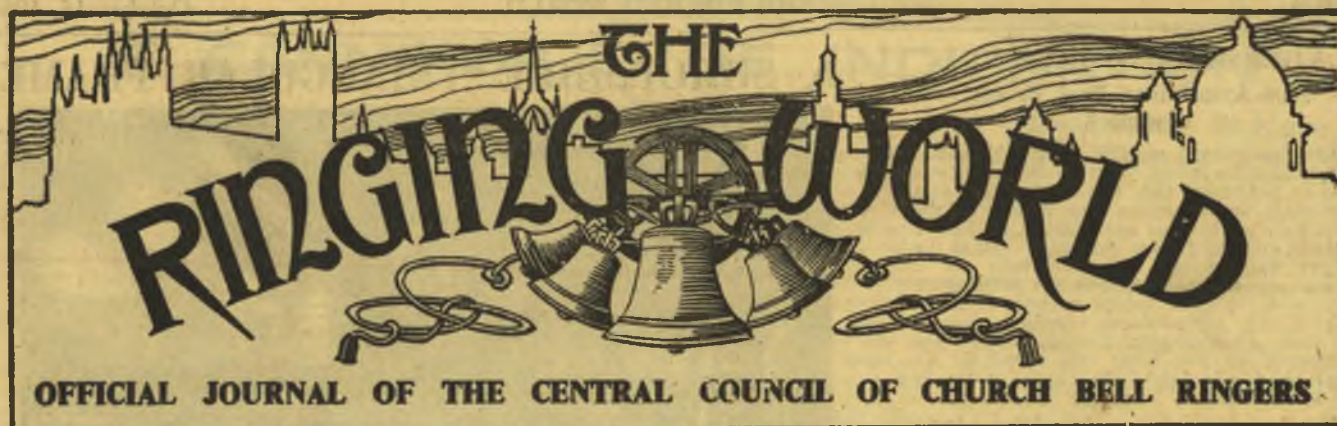
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## MERTON COLLEGE, OXFORD, SEPTENCENTENARY

By PHILIP WALKER

SEVEN hundred years ago, on September 14th, 1264, Walter de Merton, afterwards Bishop of Rochester, obtained from Henry III and the Bishop and Chapter of Winchester permission to establish 20 scholars at Oxford or at some other university. In 1270 the plan was further enlarged and in 1274 a final set of statutes was drawn up whereby the College was definitely established in Oxford.

The Chapel is the largest in the University and the first to be built in a college. The choir was begun in 1290 but the tower was not completed until 1450. The tower is situated at the west end of the Chapel and had the intended nave ever been built it would have been a central tower.

The eight bells which were cast in 1680 are all by Christopher Hodgson and are the oldest complete ring by one founder in existence. Mr. F. Sharpe, in his book *The Church Bells of Oxfordshire*, tells us that the bells are mentioned in the Bursar's rolls as early as 1288. Anthony Wood rang at the college in the 17th century and records that the tenor bell was reputed to be the finest bell in England. The five bells were recast by Michael Darbie into a ring of eight in 1657. Unfortunately these bells were not a success and as one would expect the founder was blamed for their poor quality. However, we must remember that casting a ring of eight bells in those early days was purely an experiment.

Christopher Hodgson visited Oxford to recast Great Tom at Christ Church. Merton College authorities, taking advantage of his visit, asked him to recast the college bells. They still remain as Hodgson made them. They hang in an oak frame made by Messrs. White, of Appleton, towards the end of the 19th century.

The bells were originally rung from the ground floor of the Chapel and it is clear that this must have been extremely arduous. The ropes were obviously very long and bellhanging in those days was very primitive. Today the bells are rung from a gallery 60 feet above the floor of the Chapel. The tenor weighs approximately 26 cwt.

Ringing at the College is now confined almost entirely to ringing on special occasions such as the Queen's Ac-

cession Anniversary, etc. These special rings are undertaken by members of the Oxford Society.

Peal ringing at the College over the years has not been very prolific. The Oxford Society's records list eight peals rung on the bells. The first, Grandsire Triples, is dated October 5th, 1817, and was conducted by J. Tagg. Between December 24th, 1888, and December 28th, 1896, six peals were rung, three of Stedman, two of Grandsire, and one of London. This group of six peals was all conducted by J. W. Washbrook, who was very active as a conductor in and around Oxford at this time. On September 6th, 1945, a peal of Cambridge was rung by the following members of the Oxford Society: V. J. F. Bennett 1, W. F. Judge (cond.) 2, A. H. Reed 3, F. A. H. Wilkins 4, C. F. Andrews 5, W. Williams 6, Rev. C. E. Wigg 7, J. E. Spice 8. This is the last peal to be rung at the college to date and seems to have been the cause of trouble with the college authorities. It appears that the organiser, when he made the arrangements, omitted to make it clear that a peal on these bells would take three and a half hours to ring. We understand that a determined effort was made to stop the ringing but it was found impossible to force an entry by way of the door which had, of course, been locked. The ringers were therefore able to complete the peal without interference in 3 hours and 33 minutes.

To celebrate the actual date of the College's 700th anniversary the governing body requested the Oxford Society to ring for half an hour on Monday, September 14th, 1964. The opportunity was however taken to suggest that the occasion warranted something more than what amounted to an ordinary ring and the college authorities were asked to consider giving permission for a peal to be attempted. It was however, eventually decided that an hour's ringing was all that could be allowed. It was then regretfully decided that a quarter peal was all that could be attempted. The quarter was successful and produced some of the best ringing to be heard on these bells for a very long time. The details are as follows: At Merton College, Oxford, on Monday, September 14th, 1964, 1,260 Stedman Triples was rung by members of the Oxford Society: P. Walker 1, W. F. Judge 2, J. R. Chaundy 3, E. R. Venn 4, B. R. White 5, E. J. Smith 6, S. J. Ivin (cond.) 7, F. A. White 8. The conductor was recently a member of the College.

The ringers made their way down from the tower to find waiting for them the Warden of the college in company with the Domestic Bursar. Pleasure was expressed by them as to the quality of the performance and, remarking that it must have been thirsty work, they took us along to the Hall for liquid refreshment. This gesture was much appreciated by us all.



## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

### Non-Association Peal Protest Criticised

The first general meeting of the Yorkshire Association for many years at Birstwith was held on September 12th. For the first time at a September meeting there was ringing in the morning when the fine new eight at St. Peter's Church, Harrogate, were enjoyed as well as the six at Beckwithshaw. Birstwith bells are a known attraction and despite the unfortunate clash with two other ringing meetings in Yorkshire a fairly representative company gathered for some good ringing. Evening Prayer was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. R. C. Capel-Cure, who joined the ringers at tea in the Station Hotel.

The President of the Association, Archdeacon C. O. Ellison, presided at the business meeting. Mr. E. Hudson in proposing a vote of thanks to all those who had co-operated in holding the meeting mentioned specially the wish of the late Jackson Ewbank that a Yorkshire General Meeting be held at Birstwith. Mr. H. Walker, seconded this proposal and commented on the good lead the Vicar had given in the singing at the service.

Three new members were elected: Mr. Gordon Pearce (Huntington), Miss Katherine Wilson (Guisley) and Mr. Rick Dirksen (Washington Cathedral), who rang his first 720 on the last day of the Washington trip in May.

Mr. Roger Lumley raised the question of the peal levy, doubting whether the issues were clearly put at the Annual General Meeting in May. The President said he thought there had been no confusion and that members had had full opportunity to reject both a 6d. and a 1s. levy. He criticised very strongly the footnote to a recent Non-Association peal report 'Rung as a protest to the peal levy.' He thought this a gross misuse of bells meant to be used for the glory of God. Mr. Vernon Bottomley supported the President, stating that he thought it was the intention of the Doncaster meeting that there should be a peal levy. Mr. Lumley intimated that he would propose next May that the new rule be rescinded.

The next general meeting will be on January 16th, probably at Halifax.

Immediately after the business an interesting talk on the Washington trip by Mr. Norman Chaddock was much appreciated. Further ringing at Birstwith and Beckwithshaw and also at the six-bell tower of Kirk Deighton followed.

## THE RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD

The favourable conditions prevailing for the Guild's autumn meeting at Cambridge, on September 26th, helped considerably to make the programme for the day very satisfactory, both in ringing and travelling.

The chief guest was the Mayor (Alderman P. J. Warren), who visited the tower of Great St. Mary and watched ringing in progress. In his words of welcome to Cambridge, he stated that he was very impressed with what he saw in the belfry.

The number present was a great improvement on the last meeting. All regions were represented, but the Masters of the North Eastern and the Eastern Regions were unable to attend and were among the 18 apologies received.

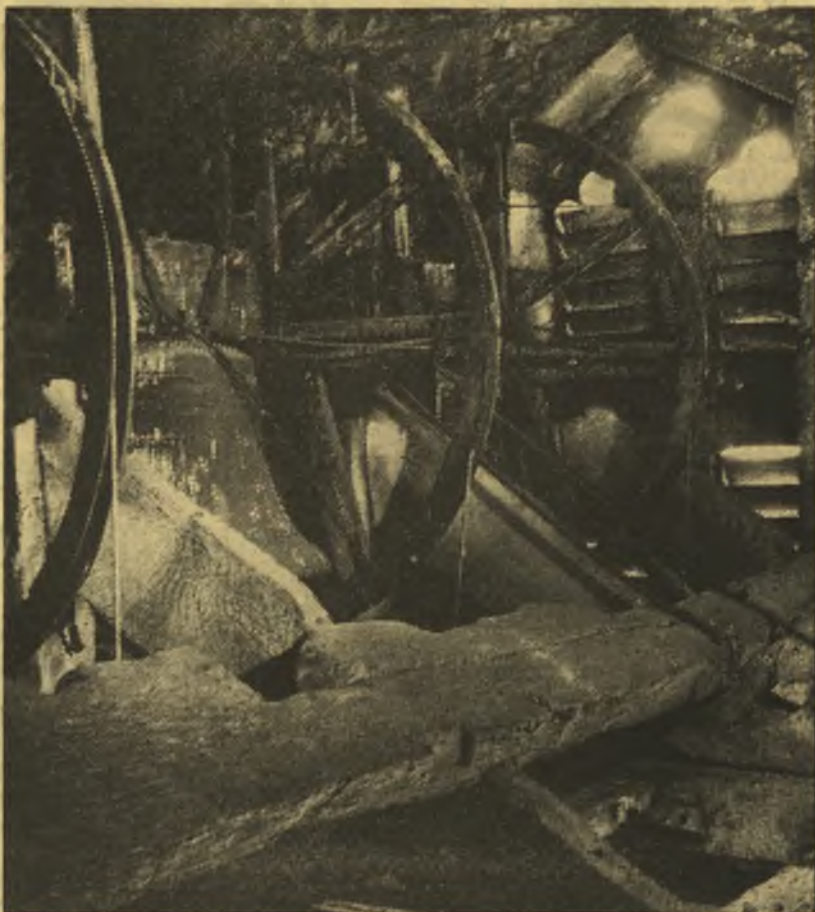
Ringing commenced at St. Bene'ts', and other towers visited were Great St. Mary (12), Our Lady (R.C.) Church (8), St. Mary's, Trumpington (8) and St. Andrew's (8). Weddings at two of the churches upset the schedule slightly.

At the short business meeting Mr. Sid Fosskett asked that the hon. sec. should write a letter of condolence to Mr. and Mrs. W. Hollands on the recent loss of their son-in-law.

Arrangements for the 1965 annual general meeting at London and the autumn meeting at Swansea were already in progress, and members were asked to note the dates of both. Four new members were elected.

In the vote of thanks Mr. Frank Stenson thanked the incumbents concerned for the use of the bells, and Mr. Charles Bassett for the excellent programme. J. A. H.

## A SHROPSHIRE TRIANGULAR FRAME



The triangular frame at Cardington, Sapot, approximately 1626. All four bells are roped on the same side of the wheel, hence the straight rope 'circle.'

Dear Sir.—I may be able to add a little to Mr. Johnson's interesting article (Sept. 4th) on four-bell towers in Shropshire.

At HUGHLEY the bells hang in a timber-framed brick bell-cot. Instead of being supported from the floor by heavy oak posts (as in so many churches in the South-East) the whole weight of the bell-cot is carried on oak beams spanning between the nave walls. The bells are at present fitted with cords instead of ropes and would need considerable attention before any attempt was made to ring them.

ACTON BURNELL bells hang in a small Victorian north tower which, in spite of its size, contains a first-floor ringing room. The bells are fitted with proper ropes and are ringable although normally chimed from the ground floor by means of an apparatus.

The bells at STOKES MILBOROUGH hang in a really massive 17th century oak frame but this has been damaged by beetle in places and the fittings are in very poor shape. The bells are not good in tone or tune; numbers 1, 3 and 4 are approximately a major three and the 2nd is a semitone! The tenor is G-sharp.

CARDINGTON'S triangular frame can, I think, be dated approximately by the 2nd bell (1626) which would make it nearly contemporary with the similar frame at Onibury.

It spans the tower from north to south and all four bells are roped on the same side of the wheel—hence the straight rope 'circle.'

The bells are rung from the ground floor, giving a long draught, but the ropes are good and the bells appeared to be ringable when I saw them last January. I understood then that they had not been rung for Christmas but that they had been rung on occasions in 1962-3. I doubt if the frame shakes enough to cause any harm. In view of the rarity of triangular frames your readers may be interested to see the enclosed photograph. The bells were relit and two of them recast by Barwell in 1887, two years before Acton Burnell. The note of the Rudhall tenor is G.—Yours faithfully, CHRISTOPHER DALTON. Leigh, Surrey.

## Tower Master's 80th Birthday

The 80th birthday of Mr. Hadley S. Gregory, tower master of Emmanuel Church, Clifton, on October 1st, was commemorated by a peal on Emmanuel bells by a representative band of old friends. This was followed by a tea in the Church Hall, at which the Vicar (the Rev. R. M. Brettell) and Dr. T. G. Faulkner (churchwarden) were among those offering congratulations. Mrs. McDowall provided an excellent tea, including a cake adorned with 80 candles.

Mr. Gregory has been a ringer for 55 years. He was tower master at St. Andrew's, Clifton, from 1930 until the church was destroyed by enemy action in 1940. Since then he has been in charge of Emmanuel bells and is untiring in his efforts to keep both bells and ringers in order.

## ANOTHER 1,000-PEALER

Mr. Joseph W. Cotton, hon. secretary of the Midland Counties Association, rang his 1,000th peal on October 6th at his own tower, Overseal. The method was Overseal Delight and it was conducted by Mr. Brian G. Warwick.

## Shropshire Fours — Baschurch

Dear Sir.—A correction is necessary to my letter on the above (page 635). Though the fine Flemish bell and the third by Thomas Clibury II, 1662, remain as cast, Taylors tell me that they did recast the treble and tenor in 1909, as they were both damaged. My apologies to Mr. Johnson for only having half the story.—Yours faithfully,

R. W. M. CLOUSTON.

Radlett, Herts.



# A CANNONADE OF INDIGNATION

## 'Not Fiddled'

Dear Sir.—Congratulations to Mr. Holtom on his most amusing, albeit rather pathetic letter.

I have never had the misfortune of ringing in a peal with Mr. Holtom but, having seen him perform at the end of a rope, the prospect of having to drag him through even a touch of Bob Major would be enough to fill me with alarm and despondency. Pat Cannon is to be congratulated on his patience and perseverance in having given Mr. Holtom the simple pleasure of a peal or two; but then A.P.C. has always been a good man with the learners and, in his usual quiet and modest fashion, would probably decry any thanks for his efforts.

I have rung in over 100 peals with Pat Cannon and I don't suppose that I shall ever forget any of them, for various reasons. However, I think I can say with virtual certainty, and in all seriousness, that he has not 'fiddled' or otherwise illegally adjusted a single one of them. They have included most of the best peals that I have rung, and all of the most enjoyable. To me, at any rate, the Exercise would be a very much poorer place without him.—Yours faithfully

ROBIN G. LEALE.

Teddington.

## Another Tower Captain's Criticism

Dear Sir.—With reference to 'Tower Captain's Criticism,' it is even more astonishing that the captain of Stoke D'Abernon does not know that his District Ringing Master rings regularly at Dorking. Does he imagine that peal ringers and those who enjoy a day's ringing outing are not regular service ringers, or that they are not better ringers for the extra effort and time they devote to the Exercise?

In our District, there are a good number of 'ordinary service ringers' who find the time to attend meetings, so attempting to support both the Guild and District Masters in their efforts to improve the standard of ringing and in the encouragement of the towers where the bells are not often rung.

Mr. Ash's limited experience clearly shows lack of participation in his Guild activities, since Mr. Wilson devoted a complete week-end in July to members of the Guildford Diocesan Guild. Those attending found the lectures very enlightening and encouraging and have no doubt that Mr. Wilson, who also teaches learners, does not live in an ivory tower; we can only assume that Mr. Ash is trying to discredit someone he has never met.—Yours sincerely,

PETER AND ANGELA SMART.

Ash, Surrey.

## A Quote from Sibelius

Dear Sir.—I was both sorry and surprised to read Mr. Holtom's letter. Such criticism, whether justified or not, could scarcely come from a more incongruous source, in view of Mr. Cannon's patient and long-suffering attempts to instil the art of elementary change ringing into the infamous Mr. Holtom.

Before the situation has time to degenerate further, however, I should like to draw attention to a few well-chosen words uttered by Sibelius after he, too, on one occasion had been subjected to heavy criticism: 'No one has ever erected a statue to a critic.'—Yours faithfully,

WILLIAM S. DEASON.

Hampton, Middlesex.

## Ten Years Too Late

Dear Sir.—I consider Mr. Holtom's letter to be most despicable and am amazed that it was published. What have these relics of the past to do with the 1,000th any more than the 600th, 750th or 850th peals which were claimed as such? As you stated, sir, a complaint ten years after the event is too late. Did Mr. Holtom not have the strength of his convictions a decade ago? Mr. Cannon restricts his conducting mainly to the standard methods and I often wonder whether this is the basic reason for the unkind digs made at him. From my own experience in the dozen or so peals rung with him the striking has in general been excellent, and often better than in peals rung with more revered conductors.

Surely if Mr. Holtom is not exaggerating, some of the members of each band would have objected to having their names associated with the peals? It would only have needed one person to refuse to let his name be published. If Mr. Cannon was satisfied with the performances and Mr. Holtom was not, then it is quite clear to me with whom the fault lies and it would be more prudent at this stage for him to refrain from hanging his own dirty washing on Mr. Cannon's line. He presumably took part in the peal of Plain Bob in Wales—or did he receive the report second or third hand?—which would indicate that he had a lapse of memory which he has subsequently regained.

In Surrey, where he is Master of the Surrey Association and a District Ringing Master of the Guildford Diocesan Guild, Mr. Cannon is always welcome in our midst. His help to everyone, both at meetings, practices and peal ringing, has made him very popular and I am sure the common feeling in this part of the country is, 'Congratulations, Pat!'.—Yours sincerely,

D. A. R. MAY.

Old Woking, Surrey.

## Untiring Tower Captain

Dear Sir.—With reference to the critical remarks of Messrs. Holtom and Ash in their respective letters re Mr. A. P. Cannon, may I suggest they visit St. Martin's Church, Dorking, one Monday evening, where for several years now Mr. Cannon has been the untiring captain battling against difficult odds with a struggling band of young ringers. It is an exception if he does not attend a practice night and his patience and encouragement must be witnessed to be appreciated. He also finds time to carry out successfully the duties of Master of both the Surrey Association and the Leatherhead District of the Guildford Guild, rarely missing a meeting of either.

So, correspondents, instead of voicing hostile judgment, which achieves nothing, be more virtuous and refrain from commenting until such time as more meritorious remarks are forthcoming.—Yours faithfully,

A SURREY RINGER.

## Torment, not Sport

Dear Sir.—Change ringing is not sport; it is a disease, at least to those performers who are mentioned in 'The Ringing World.'

As to peal totals, we heard and read the same about the Rev. F. E. Robinson and others. I have always found it easier to maintain a good band where there are a few peal-ringing members. And it is your duty to stand in a peal for them if they have given you joy in learning the methods. After standing in a peal and the conductor says 'That is all,' shut up outside the belfry.—Yours faithfully,

A FLAT.

## Local Bands' Backbone

Dear Sir.—The issue of October 1st contained more than its fair share of critical 'correspondence,' but the letter from Mr. Ash is typical of the sour grapes attitude adopted by many second-rate ringers who, because they are either incompetent or unpleasantly eccentric are not invited to take part in peals arranged by people who find very great joy in the ringing of peals. They usually finish up by putting themselves on a pedestal and calling themselves 'Ordinary Sunday Service Ringers,' thereby inferring, if not actually saying, that peal ringers are not also service ringers.

It's high time this lie was nailed. Of course there are a few who let the side down, but on the whole it is my experience that people who are or who have let the side down, but the backbone of the local band, where it is a keen, competent and progressive one.

I'm not sure that I agree with Mr. Wilson in thinking that everything in the garden is lovely at Stoke D'Abernon. It seems a little too good to be true—in fact I would say that the smug attitude of the tower captain suggests the presence of a serpent!—Yours sincerely,

PATRICK J. CHAPMAN.

Ringling Master—Holy Cross, Daventry.

## Peal on Unrededicated Bells

Dear Sir.—I was very surprised to hear that a peal had been rung on the as yet unrededicated bells at Skeffington in Leicestershire. I was even more surprised when I read who had rung the peal. Even though I know the conductor quite well I'm afraid it doesn't alter my view, and that of other local ringers, that this sort of thing rather goes against the grain, especially as local ringers (not including myself) who had been asked to assist in forming a band were hoping to be able to have rung the first peal on the newly rehung bells, and hadn't dreamed of approaching the Vicar for permission until after the rededication.

Secondly, we recently had a request from the local university for the use of Thurnby bells on a weekday. Permission was duly granted and when the time came three ringers arrived to ring six bells. Fortunately for them, one of our married lady ringers met them and they were able to ring three badly struck courses of Bob Minimus. If a non-ringer, i.e., the Vicar, had met them, would they have rung three bells and still crossed the tower off in 'Dove'!

I'm not against 'tower-snatching' as such, as I have indulged in it myself, but I think certain rules should be observed. Namely, that the bells should be rung for at least 30 minutes and that five-and six-bell towers should be fully manned.—Yours faithfully,

J. J. PAWLEY.

Thurnby, Leics.

## Chartham

Dear Sir.—The peal at Chartham was called round as stated and I must accept the blame for this. My ringing on this occasion was very unstable as a result of a serious illness from which I had not completely recovered. Mr. Brian Woodruffe was the conductor and I presume the local ringer referred to was Mr. Dennis Chapman. Mr. Nicholas Davies was also included but I cannot remember the names of the other two. I don't know who the five boys were to whom Mr. Cook refers, but they were certainly not ringing at Chartham on this occasion.—Yours Sincerely,

F. C. W. KNIGHT.

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## LETTERS—Continued

**A Washington Practice**

Dear Sir,—When H.M.C. Decoy visited Baltimore recently I was fortunate in being able to ring at the Saturday morning practice at Washington Cathedral on September 12th. At the same practice was Bob Mordaunt, of Oriel College, Oxford, who was on a tour of the U.S.A. Despite having read George Pipe's article, 'Ten Men Went to Sow,' the ringing chamber was an awe inspiring sight, not only on account of vastness but also furnishings.

For the first hour and a half the bells were rung muffled and plain hunt on eight with the tenor behind was successfully attempted. A fair part of this time was devoted to learners. The bells were lowered in order to take the muffles off and then raised again afterwards, in each case it was the front six, then the back four. As the ten bells peeled out straight afterwards and settled into rounds, the wonderful tone of these bells was really appreciated. I was asked to call changes on the ten and this went very well, imagine my surprise at a round of applause for calling the changes. All too soon the time came to lower the bells again and the front six were brought down in grand style. The team got some well deserved praise and applause for this from the other ringers.

Considering the short time they've been ringing, the progress of the Cathedral team is enormous. There is a spirit of keenness and determination in the tower which I'm sure will make them into a really great team. They are eagerly looking forward to the forthcoming visit of Mr. Price, of Bournemouth, who is going over as instructor for four months.

My thanks again to the Washington team for the grand ring we had that morning, and I wish them all the best for the future.

MERVYN BRAY.

Tavistock, Devon.

**James W. Washbrook**

Dear Sir,—Items to 'The Ringing World' by Mr. Edwin Barnett are always of great interest and especially when they relate to ringing giants of a past age. Of his memorable visit to Arklow, Mr. Barnett mentions his amazement at the accuracy of the striking when James W. Washbrook rang the tenors to a touch of Bob Major. It is on record that Mr. Washbrook once attempted to ring these two bells to a peal in the method, which failed around the halfway mark. One wonders if our old friend, Mr. William Shepherd, was in this attempt.

Besides ringing together on tower bells, the family of Washbrook frequently rang touches on handbells. At Tunstall, Staffs, in March, 1912, a course of Grandsire Cinques was rung: Walter 1-2, Harry 3-4, James W. (jun.) 5-6, James W. (sen.) 7-8-9-10 Mark 11-12. At Silverdale, Staffs, in 1914, five ringers rang two courses of Grandsire Triples on tower bells: James E. Groves 1-2, James W. Washbrook (jun.) 3-4, James W. Washbrook (sen.) 5-6, W. P. Washbrook 7, H. Washbrook 8. Of the four talented ringing sons of Mr. Washbrook, within a short while three of them were to pay the supreme sacrifice in World War I.

The amazing feats of James W. Washbrook are legion. Such a one, told to a few friends and myself by the late Alfred W. Brighton, will be of interest. To fully appreciate the performance, I must quote Mr. Brighton's exact words. They are: 'I once saw Jim Washbrook turn the tenor in to a perfect course of London without touching the "sally." Truly an astounding feat of bell control.—Yours faithfully

JOHN G. NASH.

Muswell Hill, London.

**Rougham, Suffolk, Ringers' Outing**

Accompanied by their Rector and churchwardens, Rougham ringers and friends enjoyed their outing into Essex on September 19th. Towers visited were Sible Hedingham, Wethersfield, Great Bardfield, Finchingfield and Gestingthorpe. Four young ringers were in the party and rang rounds; others enjoyed Stedman, Cambridge Kent, Oxford and other methods. Mr. L. Wright was thanked by the Rector for 'the wonderful arrangements' he made for the enjoyment of both ringers and non-ringers.

**LOSSES TO AUSTRALIAN RINGING****MRS. JEAN IRELAND**

The early death of Jean Ireland at the age of 28 is a sad blow to the band at St. Peter's Cathedral, Adelaide, and to her many ringing friends in England.

She was born at Kingston-on-Thames, but moved to Clitheroe at an early age where she learned to ring at the church of St. Mary Magdalene. As Jean Dawson, she will be remembered for the prolific amount of ringing she did around Clitheroe, and later at Reading, where she gained a Science degree at the University. She was master of the Reading University Society 1957-8, and in 1958 married Frank Ireland. They lived for a while in Birmingham, and then for nearly two years in Burnley before coming to Australia in 1960 where Frank obtained a post at the Weapons Research Establishment, Salisbury, South Australia.

Jean joined the Adelaide Cathedral band, and despite living 16 miles from the tower, was a regular attender until increasing family commitments made it more difficult for her to come. Her fourth child was born only a few months before she was taken ill, and rushed to hospital on Good Friday, suffering from leukaemia. Every one who knew Jean could not help but marvel at the tremendous enthusiasm she had for everything she undertook, including ringing, and throughout her illness this enthusiasm never waned. Members of the Cathedral band were frequent visitors to the hospital, and Jean was very pleased that on occasions she could hear the Cathedral bells.

In July, having showed some response to treatment, she was allowed home for a few weeks, but returned to hospital late in August, and there she died on September 22nd.

Before the funeral on September 24th the Cathedral bells were rung half-muffled, every member of the band being present at the short service held in the Lady Chapel. Jean's English ringing friends were represented by Ron Russ. Four of the ringers acted as pall bearers and Rev. W. D. Devonshire, the new Bishop's Vicar, himself a ringer, paid tribute to her splendid example of service to the exercise. There was more half-muffled ringing as the cortege moved off to Centennial Park Crematorium, where the ringers were represented by their captain, Bill Pitcher.

**Lincoln and Washington**

Dear Sir,—I have been unfortunately misquoted in your account of the Lincoln dinner. To imply that 'the very best' were sent to Washington would be, to say the least, impertinent! What I did say was that the Lincoln Guild had, in Mr. Freeman, a splendid ambassador and that during the relatively short teaching time we had in America we did the very best we could.

Whilst on the subject, I have had one or two mild rebukes re the last paragraph of the Washington supplement which described the visit as the 'best tour ever!' This came about due to having to shorten and delete some of the latter paragraphs for available space; the implication being that it must have been 'one of the best...'. Undoubtedly the 1934 Great Adventure and other tours will be ranked with this and I therefore apologise to anyone who feels we have been a little presumptuous!!—Yours, etc.,

GEORGE W. PIPE.

**Bells and Nuisance**

Dear Sir,—In my letter published in 'The Ringing World' on September 25th, the word 'public' should be omitted from the third line of the third paragraph. The names of the case on public nuisance should be *Soltau v. de Held*. I am sorry if these errors were due to my inadvertence.—Yours faithfully,

JOHN CAMP.

Amersham, Bucks.

Jean had a fair number of peals to her credit, but no record of these is available. Her first was a notable one, Oxford Treble Bob Royal. She had only gone to listen, and the band met short. Her last peal, and the only one she rang in Australia, was Grandsire Triples at Adelaide Cathedral on February 20th, 1963. It was the first peal on the bells, conducted by Enid Roberts, a great friend of Jean's.

A half-muffled quarter of Grandsire Triples was rung to her memory at the Cathedral on September 29th, and the Exercise will extend its sympathy to Frank and the children.

May she rest in peace.

R.K.R.

**MR. WILLIAM SMITH**

The death occurred in hospital on September 30th, after a long illness, of Mr. William Smith, aged 74 years, for many years a ringer at St. James' Church, Turramurra, New South Wales.

A native of Leicester, where he learned to ring, Mr. Smith arrived in Australia in 1911. He served as lieutenant in the 14th Infantry Company Engineers and 53rd Battalion Infantry, 1st A.I.F. in World War I.

A builder by trade, he left many fine examples of his craftsmanship in the Turramurra district. He had been a parish councillor at St. Swithun's, Pymble, and a member of the Sydney Diocesan Synod for some years.

Well known to all ringers in Sydney, Mr. Smith was one of those responsible for the strong revival in change ringing there following World War II, and his enthusiasm served as an example to the ringers at St. James' until his illness early this year. Under his guidance Treble Bob methods were again being rung at St. James' for the first time in several years.

Mr. Smith had made two return visits to Britain in peace-time, the second in 1961, when he made many new friends in towers there, including meeting again his long-time correspondent, the late Ernest Morris.

The funeral service was held at St. James' on October 2nd, followed that evening by half-muffled touches of Plain Bob Minor. He is survived by his son, Wing Commander James Smith, R.A.A.F., and his brother, Ted. W. K.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD****MARLBOROUGH BRANCH OUTING**

Nearly all the towers in the Branch were represented at the annual outing on September 26th, which was organised and directed by the Rev. Roger Keeley (Branch Ringing Master). The party of 65 was accommodated in two coaches.

The first objective was the Cathedral campanile at Chichester, which was reached at 10.30 a.m. Ringing here was much enjoyed, although the 82-step climb defeated some of the older members. A pleasant hour was later spent at Feltham, where we met Mr. and Mrs. Wake. A picnic lunch was taken at Bognor Regis in the warm sunshine. We reached Lyminster as a wedding had just ended, and the happy couple received an extra send-off with some good Wiltshire ringing for an hour. The party divided at Washington, one coach remaining, and the other proceeding to Storrington. Some good ringing took place at both towers. After a short stop for refreshments at Winchester home was reached about 11 p.m. Miss Winifred Keys is thanked for helping in the programme, and also the Ringing Master, incumbents and tower captains.

W. A. E.

**80th Birthday Peal**

Mr. Albert H. Lawton, for many years tower captain at Broughton, Staffs, celebrated his 80th birthday by taking part in a peal of Grandsire Triples on these bells. Although his visits to the belfry have been infrequent of late, he finished the peal as fresh as a daisy. Afterwards he entertained those taking part with refreshments. His friends wish him continued health to ring in many more anniversary peals.



## BRISTOL UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATION HAVE HUNTING HORN

Tudor Edwards, who, with Pat Bird, was joint organiser of the Bristol University Society's tour of the Welsh Borderlands which started at Cound on August 27th, purchased a hunting horn. Whether it was to rally the party or to enliven tired spirits the report does not state.

Among the unusual incidents were the snapping of the clapper of the tenor halfway through the first touch at Ellesmere; at Whittington ringing Whittingtons in some Devon-style call changes; at Ruabon a local ringer was heard to say: 'I see there is a paper called "The Ringing World."'

Sunday ringing was organised by Tudor Edwards and after motoring separately we assembled near the Runcorn-Widnes bridge before proceeding to ring for and attend Matins at Halewood. We rang some Bristol on this pleasant light eight. At the next tower, Childwall, as might be expected, we rang a touch of Childwall and, after lunching in the Chinese manner, we met at Liverpool Cathedral. After the luxury of a lift to the bells, we verified that two double-decker buses could indeed be driven between the bells and the tower walls.

We had several unsuccessful attempts at Major on Woolton bells, but we managed a good touch of Stedman Triples. The tour finished on a good note with several touches of Cinques on the delightful bells of St. Nicholas', Liverpool.

We should like to thank Pat Bird and Tudor Edwards for their work in organising the tour, and also all incumbents and local ringers for allowing us to ring their bells.

C. M. and E. G. M.

## DAVENTRY, NORTHANTS, HALF-DAY

Daentry ringers enjoyed a half-day outing to four Bedfordshire octaves on September 19th. The fine bells at St. Owen's, Bromham, which stands in a beautiful parkland setting, were the first attraction; the unique dedication was the source of much speculation. Here we discovered that our coach driver was a ringer and a member of the Naseby band. A run through Bedford and the country lanes beyond, with a glimpse at the airship hangars at Cardington and the Maypole, at Ickwell Green, brought us to Biggleswade, where we had tea after a pleasant session on the Gillett and Johnston eight.

Although the springy new rope on the tenor at Clifton put off some, we managed, with the help of Messrs. Mayes and Bywaters, to produce some passable ringing on the tuneful little eight. A 12-mile journey (plus diversions) through Clophill (notorious for murder and black magic), Maulden and Amptill, where we waved madly at David Hoare, who failed to recognise us, and we came to Woburn to renew acquaintance with the Mears bells and some old friends, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Spavins and the Vicar. By not attempting anything more difficult than Cambridge we managed our best ringing of the day. At Towcester we refreshed ourselves for the last short journey home.

We would like to thank those who allowed us to ring and those who met us, yet again confirming that ringers can always depend upon a welcome in Bedfordshire. N.C.

## SHROPSHIRE RINGERS IN THE LAKE DISTRICT



Included in the picture are Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. F. Beech, Miss Marian Cotton, Messrs. E. V. Rodenhurst, Michael Wycherly, George Morrall, Ian Friends and Peter Morris.

NINE Shropshire ringers and friends from Staffordshire left for Ambleside on August 29th in a mini-bus driven by Dick Morris and spent a happy week in the Lake District. On Sunday there was morning and evening service ringing at Ambleside and a tour of Lake Coniston in the afternoon.

The best touch of the tour was rung at Workington on Monday (Double Norwich). Other towers visited that day were Cocker-mouth, Aspatria and Keswick. The great love of people for their bells was evident at Keswick with a ringers' corner in the graveyard

directly under the bell tower. The panoramic engraving of surrounding peaks and ancient ringers' orders here were interesting.

Four eights were in Tuesday's programme—at Egremont, St. Bees, Hensingham and Cleator Moor, a fine heavy eight which turned over slowly. The Latin inscription on the wall behind each rope at Penrith (visited with Appleby on Wednesday) was a novelty.

Thursday was spent in the Lancashire part of the Lakes, with ringing at Broughton, Barrow-in-Furness (difficult to handle), Alverston and Hawkshead. On Friday Bowness, Kendall, Ambleside and Langdale were visited. Thanks are due to Marian for her organisation, and also to incumbents and local ringers.

## OUTING

### TWERTON-ON-AVON

More than half of the 27 ringers participating in the Twerton-on-Avon outings on September 16th were under 15, and it was perhaps appropriate that at the first tower, West Overton, near Marlborough, where Captain T. Mansfield-Robinson is head ringer, the bells are rung regularly by a band of school-children. Hungerford bells, augmented to eight in 1927 by Mears and Stainbank, were easy to handle, and the ten at Newbury really worth a visit. The inspiring thing here was the way the bells were rung by youngsters—their good beat in call changes rather showed up the seniors' Caters.

After lunch, Mr. Hibbert and his son were waiting for us at East Ilsey, the lightest eight in Berkshire. Ringing at Wantage was curtailed by a wedding. Faringdon, with its beautiful octave, hung by Taylors in 1926, has the shortest central tower we have seen. We

had here a really topping pull, ending with Queen's at the bottom. Our only tower after tea was the five at Great Coxwell. The bells, which have not the best of reputations, had been specially oiled for our visit, which coincided with a farewell to the Rector (the Rev. E. Wicks). As we had two organists with us and a host of choir members, we finished here with 'The Halleluia Chorus' from 'The Messiah.' We conclude with grateful thanks to all who helped to make the outing so enjoyable.

### Cowbridge Ringers at University

The Doubles peal band who have been active at Cowbridge Glam., this year attempted a final peal at Llanblethian before two of their number departed for University. Trouble with a pulley wheel limited the ringing to a quarter of Plain Bob Doubles, called from the tenor by Lew Groom—his first as conductor. Best wishes from all local ringers to Gareth Jones at St. John's College, Cambridge, and to Paul Evans at Birmingham University.

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## QUARTER PEALS

**OFFTON, SUFFOLK.**—On Sept. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: W. Minns 1, E. J. Lockwood 2, G. R. Goodship 3, R. E. Lester 4, Miss S. L. Goodship 5, Mrs. E. J. Lockwood (cond.) 6. First quarter as conductor. Rung for Evensong on the occasion of the visit of the Diocesan Bishop, Dr. A. H. Morris.

**ROTHERHAM, YORKS.**—On Aug. 30th, 1,295 Grandsire Caters: Tessa Hollis 1, Mrs. N. Chaddock 2, Mrs. M. Burns 3, J. H. Bruce 4, I. Tilling 5, D. Nichols 6, N. Chaddock (cond.) 7, N. Donovan 8, J. N. D. Chaddock 9, P. Walker 10. A farewell to the ringer of the 5th, who is leaving to take up a position in Uganda.

**ST. LAURENCE-IN-TANET, RAMSGATE, KENT.**—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Richards (first quarter) 1, Mrs. N. Bridges 2, T. H. Holmes 3, M. Ostler 4, D. L. Cawley 5, F. C. W. Knight (cond.) 6. To welcome the Bishop of Croydon at Harvest Festival Evensong.

**SHEPTON MALLET, SOMERSET.**—On Sept. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. R. Young 1, K. Mason 2, T. R. Hobbs 3, T. Rose (first of Triples) 4, D. A. Burt 5, G. T. Hawkins (cond.) 6, Rev. R. O. Fry 7, A. F. Lee 8. A welcome to the Rector (the Rev. L. A. B. White), former chairman of the Bath Branch and Vicar of Twerton-on-Avon.

**SOUTHGATE, LONDON.**—At Christ Church, on October 4th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Helen Davey 1, Margaret Moore 2, S. G. Peck 3, W. Wainwright 4, J. Weaver (cond.) 5, R. O'Connell 6. For Evensong, and a wedding compliment to Monica Moore and John Jelley, who were married the previous day; also a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Hazell.

**SOUTHWARK, LONDON.**—At the Cathedral, on Sept. 20th, 1,311 Stedman Cinques: W. D. Grainger 1, M. T. Sprackling 2, Mrs. O. L. Rogers 3, D. W. Struckett 4, C. H. Rogers (comp. and cond.) 5, D. P. Smith 6, C. T. Richards 7, W. G. Wilson 8, C. M. Meyer 9, J. W. Smith 10, H. W. Rogers 11, L. W. Bullock 12. For Nave Evensong.

**SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.**—On Sept. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples (half-muffled): G. Kenward 1, W. Austin 2, J. Clarke 3, G. Naylor 4, S. Dobbie 5, W. Palin (cond.) 6, B. Jemmett 7, F. Pack 8. Rung in memory of George Eastman, many years a ringer at Sittingbourne.

**STEEP, HANTS.**—On Sept. 29th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Elizabeth Whitome 1, T. R. Whitome 2, Gail Coulton 3, L. J. M. Smith 4, C. E. Bassett (cond.) 5, R. A. Stone 6.

**STISTED, ESSEX.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Patricia Lindsell 1, Josephine Quilter 2, J. A. Warner 3, Jennifer Syder 4, A. R. Syder (cond.) 5, R. J. Lindsell 6. For Harvest Festival.

**SWINDON, WILTS.**—At Christ Church, on Sept. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss W. Marriot (first of Triples) 1, Miss J. Davidge 2, G. Wheeler 3, M. Penney 4, Miss S. Little 5, E. Sutton 6, M. Stanley (cond.) 7, L. Picknell 8.

**TONBRIDGE, KENT.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: R. A. Large 1, Sheila M. Dobbie 2, W. H. Rogers 3, Ann Jenner 4, S. Jenner 5, V. J. Benning 6, W. H. Dobbie (cond.) 7, L. T. Pope 8. Rung to mark the commencement of the Tonbridge United Churches Mission 'Faith for a new age.'

**TUTBURY, STAFFS.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Minor (St. Clement's and Plain Bob): C. T. Collins 1, Lucy Smith 2, Marlene E. Townsend 3, C. W. Bowen 4, L. E. Monk 5, C. M. Smith (cond.) 6. Rung with the best wishes of the band to J. Michael Stephens, ordained deacon this day in Canterbury Cathedral.

**WANDSWORTH, LONDON.**—At the Church of All Saints, on Sept. 11th, 1,263 Stedman Triples: J. Salter 1, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 2, Alison M. Mann 3, R. Hedges 4, R. J. Cooles 5, A. R. Millidge 6, M. J. Bangham 7, J. H. Gaze 8. A compliment to Gerda Barcel and John Price, on their engagement. Also on Oct. 2nd, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: N. F. Edwards (first of Major) 1, Katharine M. Guy 2, T. Lewis 3, Alison M. Mann 4, R. J. Cooles 5, D. P. Smith 6, A. R. Millidge 7, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 8. For the first birthday of Peter, son of Susan and John Bell, of All Saints, Fulham.

**WIMBLEDON, SURREY.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: M. Bangham (50th quarter) 1, Margie Ness 2, Judith Geiringer 3, Rosamund Rawlings 4, Elizabeth Zass 5, Vanessa Rodrigues 6, A. Bagworth (cond.) 7, W. Cooper-Bailey 8. Also on Sept. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Elizabeth Zass 1, Vanessa Rodrigues 2, Rosamund Rawlings 3, Judith Geiringer 4, M. Bangham (cond.) 5, D. Cocke 6, A. Bagworth 7, W. Cooper-Bailey 8.

**WHISSENDINE, RUTLAND.**—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Doubles (Canterbury Pl., Plain Bob): T. Field 1, R. Smith 2, J. T. P. Thorpe 3, H. T. Bonshor 4, C. E. Cooper (cond.) 5, P. Bontoft (first quarter) 6. For Harvest Festival.

**WIDFORD, ESSEX.**—On Oct. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Marion R. Pantou 1, J. Crawley 2, A. R. Groves 3, M. J. Cowling 4, P. G. Brown 5, I. R. Pantou 6, P. J. Eves (cond.) 7, D. A. S. Symonds 8. For Harvest Festival.

**WIGSTON MAGNA, LEICS.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss R. J. Walkin 1, T. F. Harrold (cond.) 2, Miss J. M. Whait 3, R. Chapman 4, R. J. Carter 5, B. C. Law 6, C. H. F. Knight 7, R. J. Welch (first quarter) 8. For Harvest Festival Family Communion.

**WITHYHAM, SUSSEX.**—On Sept. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Jane Osbon (first quarter) 1, Rosemary Heighes 2, H. Vaughan 3, R. Jean Osbon 4, R. D. Divall 5, R. Osbon 6, E. J. Ladd (cond.) 7, C. A. Osbon 8. For Patronal Festival.

**WEDNESBURY, STAFFS.**—On Sept. 20th, at the Church of St. Bartholomew, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: D. Willets (first on 10) 1, Miss C. Turner 2, P. Bryan 3, D. Cadwallader 4, A. Hubble 5, R. Staite 6, M. Cadwallader 7, M. Turner (cond.) 8, B. Morton 9, J. Hingley 10. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. F. Asbury, formerly of this parish, who died the previous Monday. Also on Sept. 27th, 1,260 Erin Triples: D. Willets 1, Miss C. Turner 2, A. Hingley 3, R. Staite 4, B. Morton 5, M. Cadwallader 6, M. Turner (cond.) 7, J. Hingley 8. First of Erin 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6. For Harvest Festival.

**WOBBURN, BUCKS.**—On July 25th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Stella G. Rice 1, Peggy E. Taylor 2, Frances P. Gilbert 3, C. Godfrey 4, J. R. Norris 5, M. J. Bew 6, D. D. Smith 7, B. G. North (cond.) 8.

**WORCESTER.**—On Sept. 10th, at St. John's Church, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. H. Compton 1, Mrs. J. Evenden 2, S. T. Holt (cond.) 3, J. Hinton 4, R. Adams 5, J. J. Jeffries 6, R. Ashmore 7, R. Woodyatt 8. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to William Lewis, Ringing Master of St. John's for over 30 years, interred this day.

**WOTTON UNDERWOOD, BUCKS.**—On July 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Wendy Bird 1, Peggy E. Taylor 2, C. Godfrey 3, Stella G. Rice 4, D. D. Smith (cond.) 5, B. J. Stone 6.

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Mr. Shirley Burton is the fourth Leicester ringer to complete the century of peals of Surprise Maximus, the others being Peter J. Stanforth, Herrick B. Bowley and William J. Root. Will anyone interested in ringing a peal at Leicester Cathedral, who has rung 100 Surprise Maximus peals, please contact Herrick B. Bowley, 108, Anstey Lane, Leicester, who is endeavouring to find 12 ringers who have completed this century.

We are informed that the peal at Curry Mallett (p. 669) was rung on September 19th and not August 19th.

The peal at Harrow Weald was also rung to celebrate the birth of a son to the Vicar and Mrs. D. Bond.

Husborne Crawley, Beds. have a promising young ringer in Lunda Templeman, aged 12, who handled her bell very well in her first quarter on September 27th.

Blaby, Leicestershire, ringers are very proud of ten-year-old Steven Thompson who, reports the conductor, 'rang the treble superbly' to his first quarter on October 4th.

Miss Sian Evans, who is leaving Cardigan for Bristol to train as a physiotherapist, rang in her farewell quarter. She learned to ring after Cardigan bells were rehung in 1961 and has so far rung in nine quarter peals.

The ringers of the 9th in the peal of New Cambridge Royal at St. John-the-Divine, Leicester, on September 5th ('R.W.' page 654) was Brian S. Chapman and NOT Brian S. Cope, as submitted.

One of the oldest tower foremen in the country is Mr. Fred Foster, of Bosbury, Herefordshire. His 90th birthday was marked by a quarter peal on September 25th.

We regret to learn that Mr. Albert J. Dunk, of Stockbury, has undergone a serious operation at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, Rochester. His many friends in the Rochester District wish him a complete and speedy recovery.

Ringing the tenor to Grandsire Triples at Monken Hadley, Middlesex, on October 4th was Mr. W. Langley, whose 84th birthday was the previous day. He has rung at this tower for 40 years.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

Congratulations to Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd on completing 50 years this month as a ringer. He writes: Despite all that has been written, I do not think we thought of our ringing as a sport. We did not perhaps think of it very carefully at all, except that it was a very desirable thing to do; but our being in the belfry at all was a natural consequence of our being attached to the church, having had years of choirboy work, and we just as naturally took this as part of our church observation.

Mr. R. Kingsley Mason inquires, 'Was Mr. John Jelley sweating as much as I was on the afternoon of October 3rd'?

Mr. George E. Fearn's peal week in Hampshire and Dorset was very successful with 10 peals being rung. Another peal was secured at Oxford en route.

On May 10th, 1939, the first peal was rung at Willington, Sussex and taking part was Miss Betty Rayfield, age 16 years, Eastbourne's first lady bellringer. On October 3rd, 1964, 25 years later her daughter, also aged 16 years, conducted a peal of Bob Minor in the same tower.

The members of York Minster Society wish to associate the name of Frank Atkinson with the peal of Plain Bob Maximus rung on October 3rd. Frank is now 82 and has been a Minster ringer for 36 years. He has talked of retiring from ringing but is still a regular attender.

Ringling at St. John's Church, Longton, North Staffordshire, has been disrupted by further education. Michael Colclough has gone to London University, Christopher Tunnicliffe to Birmingham and Sheila Woodward to Newcastle-upon-Tyne. They take with them the best wishes of the band and hope to ring with them in the holidays.

Mrs. S. M. Beck, of the Vicarage, Church Crookham, Aldershot, is encouraged by the response so far received in selling Christmas cards on behalf of Guildford Cathedral Bell Fund. Her subject is the photograph of the Madonna and Child at the West End of the Cathedral. She is charging 5s. per doz. for the cards, including envelopes.

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## MR. GEORGE E. FEARN'S PEAL TOUR OF HAMPSHIRE AND DISTRICT

### THE FOLLOWING FOR THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

ANDOVER, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 21 lb. in F.

Jack L. Millhouse .. .. Treble	D. John Hunt .. .. 5
Norah M. Randles .. .. 2	*George H. Randles .. .. 6
Clifford Skidmore .. .. 3	Geoffrey Paul .. .. 7
Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 4	George E. Fearn .. .. Tenor

Composed by Roger Baldwin.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

SOUTHAMPTON, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb. in E flat.

Jack L. Millhouse .. .. Treble	*Colin W. Reed .. .. 6
Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 2	George H. Randles .. .. 7
Beryl N. Reed .. .. 3	D. John Hunt .. .. 8
Clifford Skidmore .. .. 4	Frank E. Darby .. .. 9
Geoffrey Paul .. .. 5	George E. Fearn .. .. Tenor

Composed by Frederick Dench.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

\* 100th peal.

WHITCHURCH, Hampshire.—At the Church of All Hallows.

On Mon., Sept. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. in F sharp.

Jack L. Millhouse .. .. Treble	Robert W. Hinde .. .. 5
Norah M. Randles .. .. 2	Frank E. Darby .. .. 6
Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 3	D. John Hunt .. .. 7
Clifford Skidmore .. .. 4	George E. Fearn .. .. Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

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

On Tues., Sept. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb. in G.

Robert W. Hinde .. .. Treble	George H. Randles .. .. 5
Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 2	George E. Fearn .. .. 6
Norah M. Randles .. .. 3	Frank E. Darby .. .. 7
Geoffrey Paul .. .. 4	D. John Hunt .. .. Tenor

Composed by Norman Smith.

Conducted by D. John Hunt.

NEW ALRESFORD, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Wed., Sept. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb. in F.

Jack L. Millhouse .. .. Treble	George H. Randles .. .. 5
Frank E. Darby .. .. 2	D. John Hunt .. .. 6
Clifford Skidmore .. .. 3	Geoffrey Paul .. .. 7
Robert W. Hinde .. .. 4	George E. Fearn .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. Ivin.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

BISHOPSTOKE, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Wed., Sept. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in F sharp.

Jack L. Millhouse .. .. Treble	Geoffrey Paul .. .. 5
Norah M. Randles .. .. 2	George E. Fearn .. .. 6
Robert W. Hinde .. .. 3	D. John Hunt .. .. 7
Clifford Skidmore .. .. 4	Frank E. Darby .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. Ivin.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

WESTBOURNE, Sussex.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Fri., Oct. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5152 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in G.

Jack L. Millhouse .. .. Treble	George H. Randles .. .. 5
Norah M. Randles .. .. 2	Frank E. Darby .. .. 6
Clifford Skidmore .. .. 3	Robert W. Hinde .. .. 7
D. John Hunt .. .. 4	Geoffrey Paul .. .. Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

PORTSMOUTH, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Mary, Portsea.

On Fri., Oct. 2, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5152 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 7 lb. in F.

Jack L. Millhouse .. .. Treble	Colin W. Reed .. .. 5
Beryl N. Reed .. .. 2	Geoffrey Paul .. .. 6
Clifford Skidmore .. .. 3	D. John Hunt .. .. 7
Frank E. Darby .. .. 4	George E. Fearn .. .. Tenor

Composed by R. F. B. Speed.

Conducted by D. John Hunt.

### THE FOLLOWING FOR THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

WIMBORNE ST. GILES, Dorset.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Thurs., Oct. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5056 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in F.

Jack L. Millhouse .. .. Treble	Robert W. Hinde .. .. 5
Beryl N. Reed .. .. 2	Geoffrey Paul .. .. 6
Clifford Skidmore .. .. 3	D. John Hunt .. .. 7
Frank E. Darby .. .. 4	George E. Fearn .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Piistow.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

WAREHAM, Dorset.—At the Church of Lady St. Mary.

On Thurs., Oct. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb. in E.

Norah M. Randles .. .. Treble	George H. Randles .. .. 5
Clifford Skidmore .. .. 2	Colin W. Reed .. .. 6
George E. Fearn .. .. 3	Robert W. Hinde .. .. 7
Jack L. Millhouse .. .. 4	Geoffrey Paul .. .. Tenor

Composed by Chas. W. Roberts.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

## TOWER BELL PEALS

### THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(WIRRAL BRANCH.)

BEBINGTON, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 15 lb. in A flat.

*Leslie N. S. Smith .. .. Treble	*Donald Peers .. .. 5
*Alan L. Coventry .. .. 2	*F. Leslie Coventry .. .. 6
†Graham S. Beecroft .. .. 3	*James M. Pemberton .. .. 7
*Anthony P. Foster .. .. 4	Alexander J. Martin .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. Pritchard.

Conducted by Alexander J. Martin.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal.

Rung to welcome Rev. R. J. Johnston to the parish.

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

On Tues., Sept. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F.

Anne P. Smith .. .. Treble	Rev. Christopher J. Rees .. .. 5
*Shelagh M. Coyne .. .. 2	Frank Osbaldiston .. .. 6
†Robert B. Smith .. .. 3	Edmund Shuttleworth .. .. 7
Derek F. Yates .. .. 4	Basil Jones .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. Pritchard.

Conducted by Basil Jones.

\* First peal. † 50th of Plain Bob Major.

TAXAL, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor 11 cwt.

*Shelagh M. Coyne .. .. Treble	Derek F. Yates .. .. 4
Anne P. Smith .. .. 2	Edmund Shuttleworth .. .. 5
Anne Harris .. .. 3	John A. Harrison .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Edmund Shuttleworth.

\* First peal of Minor.

### THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

BRIDGERULE, Devon.—At the Church of St. Bridget.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. in A flat.

William Hibbert .. .. Treble	Reginald G. Hooper .. .. 5
*Rodney M. Cann .. .. 2	Harry Stacey .. .. 6
Edgar Nunn .. .. 3	Brynley A. Shackleton .. .. 7
Derek Jewell .. .. 4	Francis A. White .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. Parker.

Conducted by Brynley A. Shackleton.

\* First peal of Grandsire Triples 'inside' and first on a 'working bell.'

### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

MALDON, Essex.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., Sept. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in F.

Ian V. Foster .. .. Treble	Joe E. G. Roast .. .. 5
Peter J. Eves .. .. 2	Patrick W. Saltmarsh .. .. 6
*Philip J. Rothera .. .. 3	†James L. Towler .. .. 7
†Dennis A. S. Symonds .. .. 4	Ian R. Panton .. .. Tenor

Composed by Frederick Dench.

Conducted by Ian R. Panton.

\* First peal of London. † 50th together. First of Surprise Major as conductor.

WORMINGFORD, Essex.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Thurs., Oct. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven 720's called differently.

Tenor 8 cwt.

Brian J. Vaughan .. .. Treble	*Stephen D. Humphrey .. .. 4
*Lesley Ward .. .. 2	Frank B. Lufkin .. .. 5
Neil V. Avis .. .. 3	Peter G. Pitt .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.

\* First peal 'inside.' The conductor's 600th peal.

### THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

WILLINGHAM, Cambs.—At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents, viz: London, Wells, York, Beverley, Ipswich, Norwich and Cambridge.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

Donald E. Murfet .. .. Treble	Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 4
Jane K. Cook .. .. 2	Geoffrey A. Lucas .. .. 5
George E. Crisp .. .. 3	George E. Thoday .. .. Tenor

Conducted by George E. Thoday.



# THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

**BRISTOL.**—At the Cathedral Church of the Holy and Undivided Trinity.  
On Fri., Sept. 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5056 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 21 cwt. 1 lb. in E flat.

Cliff Richards .. .. Treble	† Patrick J. Bird .. .. 5
Jennifer M. Taylor .. .. 2	James R. Taylor .. .. 6
*Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 3	*† D. John Hunt .. .. 7
Michael J. Hobbs .. .. 4	Don. C. Exell .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. Ivin. Conducted by D. John Hunt.  
\*† 75th peal together. † First of London Major, 100th as conductor.

Rung to mark the engagement of D. John Hunt and Gillian M. Hussey.

## SOUTH CERNEY, Gloucestershire.—At All Hallows Church.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**  
In five methods, being one extent each of Cambridge, Kent T.B., Oxford T.B., St. Clement's and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

Mrs. W. A. Godwin .. .. Treble	Roland T. Wakefield .. .. 4
William A. Godwin .. .. 2	Peter Wakefield .. .. 5
Michael J. Cook .. .. 3	Bruce Wakefield .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Bruce Wakefield.  
Rung as a welcome to the Rev. Dr. P. Stacey Lewis.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

**BUSHEY, Hertfordshire.**—At the Church of St. James-the-Apostle.  
On Thurs., Oct. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5088 NORTHAMPTONSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb. in F sharp.

Christine Rimmer .. .. Treble	Vernon Green .. .. 5
Elsie K. Hart .. .. 2	Martyn L. J. Jordan .. .. 6
H. George Hart .. .. 3	Roger Baldwin .. .. 7
Robert N. Harris .. .. 4	Christopher W. Woolley .. .. Tenor

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood. Conducted by Roger Baldwin.  
First peal in the method by all the band.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

**TUNBRIDGE WELLS, Kent.**—At the Church of St. Peter.  
On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**  
Tenor 14 cwt. 3 lb. in F sharp.

* Derek Slater .. .. Treble	Frank H. Hicks .. .. 5
Bernard V. Collison .. .. 2	† Edward J. Jenner .. .. 6
John A. Howard .. .. 3	† Ernest J. Ladd .. .. 7
Herbert W. Woolven .. .. 4	W. Arthur Riddington .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by Ernest J. Ladd.  
\* First peal in the method. † 50th together.  
Rung as a birthday compliment to B. V. Collison.

## HALLING, Kent.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**  
Being one extent each of York, Durham, Beverley, Surfleet, London, Wells and Cambridge. Tenor 11 cwt. in F sharp.

Cyril S. Jarrett .. .. Treble	Monty W. Gilbert .. .. 4
Christopher T. Osenton .. .. 2	David S. Osenton .. .. 5
Trevor A. Cross .. .. 3	Bernard F. L. Groves .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.

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

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**  
Being seven different extents. Tenor 13 cwt. 15 lb. in G.

* John L. Anderson .. .. Treble	Alexander Waddington .. .. 4
Mrs. P. T. Robbins .. .. 2	Ian H. Oram .. .. 5
* Rhian N. Bagshaw .. .. 3	Rev. P. T. Robbins .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Ian H. Oram.  
\* First peal. Rung on the eve of the dedication festival.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

**DEANE, Lancashire.**—At the Church of St. Mary.  
On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**  
In 17 methods, being 384 each of Ashted, Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Lindum, London, Pudsey, Rutland, Superlative and Uxbridge. 256 Bristol, 192 each of Cassiobury, Cornwall, Cray, Glasgow, Jersey, Ospringe and Yorkshire, with 139 changes of method. Tenor 12½ cwt.

Richard J. Parker .. .. Treble	Ernest Bennett .. .. 5
Jean M. Pailing .. .. 2	Cyril Crossthwaite .. .. 6
Philip J. Crossthwaite .. .. 3	Norman Smith .. .. 7
James H. Pailing .. .. 4	Walter E. Wilkinson .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Norman Smith.  
Greatest number of methods rung to a peal of Spliced Surprise Major by all the band and for the Association.

## ACCRINGTON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Mon., Sept. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 11½ cwt.

Walter E. Wilkinson .. .. Treble	J. Colin Ashworth .. .. 5
Richard J. Parker .. .. 2	Derek Butterworth .. .. 6
Brian A. Tomlinson .. .. 3	Trevor N. J. Bailey .. .. 7
Norman Smith .. .. 4	Harry Parkes .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Norman Smith.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

**STONEY STANTON, Leicestershire.**—At the Church of St. Michael.  
On Fri., Sept. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 14 cwt.

Garry W. Mason .. .. Treble	John M. Jelley .. .. 5
Martin C. Faulkes .. .. 2	Leslie N. Melton .. .. 6
A. Maxwell Lindsey .. .. 3	Roland H. Cook .. .. 7
Alan E. Hartley .. .. 4	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by John M. Jelley.

## LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in B.

R. Kingsley Mason .. .. Treble	Alan E. Hartley .. .. 5
A. James Pynor .. .. 2	* Dan S. Pont .. .. 6
Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. .. 3	Alfred E. Rushton .. .. 7
Ronald J. Sharp .. .. 4	Stephen Ivin .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Stephen Ivin.  
\* First peal in the method.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

**GAINSBOROUGH, Lincolnshire.**—At the Church of All Saints.  
On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 19 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lb.

Grace Burchnall .. .. Treble	A. Robin Heppenstall .. .. 5
Katharine Burchnall .. .. 2	William L. Exton .. .. 6
Anne E. Bateson .. .. 3	Colin W. Reed .. .. 7
Beryl N. Reed .. .. 4	Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. Tipler. Conducted by A. Robin Heppenstall.

## DUNHOLME, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Chad.

On Mon., Sept. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**  
In five methods, being two extents each of Cambridge Surprise and Kent T.B. and one each of Oxford T.B., Single Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

Margaret A. Parker .. .. Treble	Walter S. Smith .. .. 4
Paul Coddington .. .. 2	Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. 5
William R. Parker .. .. 3	Louis Willders .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Louis Willders.

Rung for the wedding of Miss Christine Elizabeth Tindall and Mr. Trevor Smith, both ringers at the above church; also a farewell to the ringer of the second, who is leaving for Manchester University.

## OXFORD.—At the Cathedral Church of Christ.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5152 STEDMAN CINQUES**  
Tenor 30 cwt. in C sharp.

Jack L. Millhouse .. .. Treble	Robert W. Hinde .. .. 7
Joyce M. Gurnhill .. .. 2	Gerald C. Hemming .. .. 8
Norah M. Randles .. .. 3	George H. Randles .. .. 9
Peter A. Sharp .. .. 4	Geoffrey Paul .. .. 10
Geoffrey J. Hemming .. .. 5	Frank E. Darby .. .. 11
* Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. 6	George E. Fearn .. .. Tenor

Composed by John E. Chikott. Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.  
\* 400th peal.

## QUADRING, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Margaret.

On Mon., Sept. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**  
Being seven extents in the following seven methods: (1) Bourne, (2) Durham, (3) Surfleet, (4) York, (5) Beverley, (6) Ipswich, (7) Cambridge. Tenor 10 cwt.

Denis Woods .. .. Treble	Ronald C. Noon .. .. 4
George W. Massey .. .. 2	Cyril R. Burrell .. .. 5
Roger D. Bailey .. .. 3	Raymond H. Daw .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Roger D. Bailey.

Rung as a token of respect to Miss Emma Banks, of Gedney, one of the earliest members of the Guild, who died the previous day, aged 90, R.I.P.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

**WILLESDEN, Middlesex.**—At the Church of St. Mary.  
On Thurs., Sept. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5152 BRENT SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

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

Composed by Dennis Knox. Conducted by John R. Mayne.  
The first peal in the method. Mr. A. Cutler has now rung peals in 250 different Surprise Major methods. This is the 200th such method on these bells.

## BRENT SURPRISE MAJOR :

-58-14. 58-58. 36. 14-14. 58-36-38. 2nds place i.e. 17856342. 4ths place bobs.



**HARROW WEALD, Middlesex.—At the Church of All Saints.**

*On Wed., Sept. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,*  
**A PEAL OF 5088 OXHEX SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 7 cwt, 3 qr, 3 lb, in A

Freda Clayton .. .. Treble	H. George Hart .. .. 5
Elsie K. Hart .. .. 2	Bernard E. Matthews .. 6
Susan E. Smith .. .. 3	John R. Mayne .. .. 7
Bryan C. Burrough .. 4	William S. Deason .. .. Tenor

Composed by Harold G. Cashmore.

Conducted by John R. Mayne.  
 First peal in the method by all the band, in the county and for the Association.

A wedding compliment to David J. Taylor and Janet Ferrari, who were married at this church on September 26th.

**TOTTENHAM, N.17.—At the Church of All Hallows.**

*On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt, 2 qr.

Eric Edmondson .. .. Treble	Gerald Penney .. .. 5
Thomas J. Lock .. .. 2	Herrick B. Bowley .. .. 6
A. James Poyner .. .. 3	Russell S. Morris .. .. 7
Ruth M. Foreman .. .. 4	Robert B. Smith .. .. Tenor

Composed by Arthur Knights (C.C.C. No. 28).

Conducted by Robert B. Smith.

Rung as a compliment to Monica M. Moore and John M. Jelley, who were married at St. Mark's Church, Wood Green, this day.

**THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

**SWYNNERTON, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.**

*On Mon., Sept. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents, different callings.	Tenor 7 cwt, 1 qr, 8 lb.
William Watkin .. .. Treble	† David J. Midgley .. .. 4
* Lesley Kinston .. .. 2	Eric Young .. .. 5
E. Marion Key .. .. 3	Barnabas G. Key .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Barnabas G. Key.

\* First peal. † First of Bob Minor.

A compliment to Mr. H. Watkin, father of the treble ringer, on his 84th birthday.

**KEELE, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.**

*On Mon., Sept. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent each of Norwich Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., St. Clement's Bob, Plain Bob and Single Oxford Bob.  
 Tenor 6 cwt.

Elizabeth M. Snell .. .. Treble	Richard Wharton .. .. 4
* Barbara G. Dale .. .. 2	Dennis Latham .. .. 5
Norman Sherratt .. .. 3	Walter Sherratt .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Dennis Latham.

\* First peal of Minor.

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

**REDENHALL, Norfolk.—At the Church of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary.**

*On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 24 cwt, in D.

* Olive D. Tester .. .. Treble	* Colin A. Tester .. .. 5
Jean L. Lavender .. .. 2	Kevin S. Hohl .. .. 6
Ann Jenner .. .. 3	Stanley Jenner .. .. 7
H. William Barrett .. 4	Stewart F. Kimber .. .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

Conducted by Stanley Jenner.

\* 100th peal together.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Janet Hohl.

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**BLEWBURY, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.**

*On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Hevwood's Transposition.	Tenor 19 cwt, 2 qr.
Harold W. Dunsden .. .. Treble	Claude Corderoy .. .. 5
*† Denby P. Murduck .. 2	Geoffrey K. Dodd .. .. 6
Reginald F. Crook .. .. 3	Robert B. Blond .. .. 7
* Philip Murduck .. .. 4	Peter Corderoy .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Robert B. Blond.

\* First of Stedman. † 25th peal.

Rung within the octave of St. Michael and All Angels and also as a birthday compliments to Charles Williams, of Welshpool, 81 this day, and a ringer for 70 years.

**WEST HANNEY, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. James-the-Great.**

*On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Consisting of 60 methods in the following seven spliced extents: (1) Barham, Oswald, Pembroke, Edinburgh, Berkeley, Kentish Delight, Watford and Berwyn T.B., (2) Nelson T.B., Knutsford, Skipton, Rotherne, Chesham, Bagedone, Fotheringay, Wilmslow, Balmoral and Ely Delight, Hull and Bourne Surprise, (3) Surfleet, Hexham, Beverley, Berwick, Cambridge and Primrose Surprise, Burslem and Waltham Delight, (4) Surfleet, Hexham, Beverley, Berwick, York and Durham Surprise, (5) Cambridge, Primrose, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull and Bourne Surprise, (6) Old Oxford, College Bob IV, Willesden, Newdigate, Neasden, St. Albans, Wragby, Charlwood, Braintree, Humber, Marple, Taxal, Clarence and Elston Delight, Morning Star T.B., (7) Sandal, London Scholars, Kingston, Capei, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury, Ockley and Oxford T.B., Carisbrooke, Wath, Donottar and Pontefract Delight, with 155 changes of method and a plain lead of each included.

Tenor 18½ cwt.

Derek Carr .. .. Treble	† Gordon W. Land .. .. 4
* Edward R. Venn .. .. 2	†† Anthony R. Peake .. .. 5
† Brian Bladon .. .. 3	* Robert C. Kippin .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Anthony R. Peake.

\* Most methods to a peal. † Most Treble Bob methods to a tower bell peal. †† 250th peal. The greatest number of Minor methods to a peal in the county and for the Guild.

Rung in memoriam Mrs. G. V. Bladon, mother of Brian Bladon, who passed away on September 18th.

**STANTON HARCOURT, Oxon.—At the Church of St. Michael.**

*On Mon., Sept. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being an extent each of Kent and Oxford T.B., Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Childwall, Double and Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt.

Peter Pearce .. .. Treble	† David Floyd .. .. 4
Peter G. Holden .. .. 2	D. Kay Adkins .. .. 5
* James F. List .. .. 3	Bertram J. Coggins .. .. Tenor

Conducted by D. Kay Adkins.

\* First peal in seven methods. † First of Minor.

Rung for the Patronal Festival.

**EASTHAMPTSTEAD, Berkshire.—At the Church of SS. Michael and Mary Magdalene.**

*On Fri., Oct. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 EASTHAMPTSTEAD DELIGHT MINOR**

Comprising seven extents.

Tenor 8 cwt, 2 qr, 17 lb, in A.

Joan A. Rance .. .. Treble	Stanley G. Scott .. .. 4
Graham C. J. Murrell .. 2	A. John Rance .. .. 5
Frank W. Lewis .. .. 3	Frank C. Price .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Frank C. Price.

First peal in the method.

Rung on the eve of the institution and induction of the Rev. Colin A. C. Hill to the Church of SS. Michael and Mary Magdalene, Easthamptstead.

**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**OLNEY, Buckinghamshire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.**

*On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 25 cwt.

* Roy Keeves .. .. Treble	Barry E. Saunders .. .. 5
Roger W. Smith .. .. 2	Charles E. Truman .. .. 6
† David Taylor .. .. 3	Arthur Gibbs .. .. 7
Alan A. Paul .. .. 4	George W. Holland .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Piistow.

Conducted by George W. Holland.

\* First of Treble Bob. † First of Surprise Major.

A wedding compliment to Elizabeth Bowyer and Charles Knight.

**GRAFTON UNDERWOOD, Northants.—At the Church of St. James.**

*On Mon., Sept. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 7 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

in four methods, being one of St. Simon, nine Plain Bob (four callings), 12 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure (eight callings), 18 Grand-sire (ten callings) and Pitman's 240.

Tenor 7½ cwt.

* William J. Beddoe .. .. Treble	Roy H. Jones .. .. 3
* Hilary Knight .. .. 2	Frank E. Coales .. .. 4

Peter M. Fleckney .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Roy H. Jones.

\* First peal for the Guild: first as conductor for the Guild.

Rung for the Festival of St. Michael and All Angels.

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## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Thurs., Sept. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In eight methods, being 1600 London, 1280 Rutland, 640 Bristol, 352 each of Cambridge and Superlative, 320 each of Lincolnshire and Pudsey and 255 Yorkshire, with 110 changes of method.

Tenor 10 cwt, 1 qr. 10 lb. in A.

Muriel Reay .. .. Treble	*Martin D. Fellows .. .. 5
J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. 2	John C. Eisel .. .. 6
Michael J. Fellows .. .. 3	Norman J. Goodman .. .. 7
Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 4	George E. Fearn .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

\* First peal of Spliced Surprise.

Rung with the best wishes of the band for Frederick Ross, who was ordained a Deacon at York Minster the previous Sunday.

## SHIRLEY, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. James-the-Great.

On Wed., Sept. 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In nine methods, being 1920 London, 640 each of Bristol and Rutland, and 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative, Watford and Yorkshire, with 129 changes of method.

David R. Ingram .. .. Treble	Jennifer M. B. Cook .. .. 5
Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 2	*Michael J. Fellows .. .. 6
*John R. Insley .. .. 3	Clifford A. Barron .. .. 7
*James Insley .. .. 4	George E. Fearn .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

\* First peal of Spliced Surprise. Tenor 6 cwt, 1 qr. 1 lb. in B flat.

## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

YATESBURY, Wiltshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in 12 methods/variations, consisting of 480 each of All Saints, Rushell, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Cliffords Pleasure, Southrepps, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Northrepps, Plain Bob, April Day, Kennington and 120 each of Dedworth and Grandsire.

Colin Smith .. .. Treble	Dennis A. Powney .. .. 3
Pamela A. Osborne .. .. 2	K. Barry Osborne .. .. 4

Derrick P. Bailey .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Derrick P. Bailey.

First peal in 12 methods by all. First peal on the bells since the recasting of the third. Tenor 9 cwt. in G.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

WOLVERHAMPTON, Staffs.—At the Collegiate Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 33 cwt, 21 lb. in D flat.

John W. V. Conduct .. Treble	Francis Brotherton .. .. 6
Howard Howell .. .. 2	Philip G. K. Davies .. .. 7
Elizabeth Timmins .. .. 3	Geoffrey Davies .. .. 8
*Remi M. Hodister .. .. 4	Michael J. Fellows .. .. 9
Maurice G. Ingram .. .. 5	Martin D. Fellows .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. Tucker.

Conducted by Geoffrey Davies.

\* First peal on ten bells.

## BROUGHTON, Staffs.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Wed., Sept. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part (7th observation).	Tenor 15 cwt, 1 qr. 8 lb.
Elizabeth Roberts .. .. Treble	Harold Roberts .. .. 5
Barnabas G. Key .. .. 2	David Hawkeworth .. .. 6
Albert H. Lawton .. .. 3	Roger L. Hawkeworth .. .. 7
E. Marion Key .. .. 4	William Watkin .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Barnabas G. Key.

A compliment to the third ringer on his 80th birthday, and to Mr. and Mrs. J. Fortnam, of Ashley, for their 50th wedding anniversary.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

HOLME PIERREPONT, Notts.—At the Church of St. Edmund.

On Wed., Sept. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents each of Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Single Oxford and one extent of Plain Bob.	Tenor 11 cwt, 3 qr.
S. Jane Dowse .. .. Treble	George A. Dawson .. .. 4
*Robert D. Marsh .. .. 2	William L. Exton .. .. 5
Ruth Blackshaw .. .. 3	Maurice W. Harrison .. .. Tenor

Conducted by William L. Exton.

\* First in four Minor methods.

Rung half-muffled as a token of respect for H. Owen Wood, who suddenly passed to higher life on Sunday, September 27th.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

WILLINGDON, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.	Tenor 10 cwt, 1 qr. 4 lb. in A flat.
Robert W. R. Percy .. Treble	*Thos. M. Barlow .. .. 4
*Janet E. Biscoe (17) .. 2	Mrs. Betty Percy .. .. 5
Janet M. Percy (16) .. 3	*Alan R. Baldock .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Janet M. Percy

\* First peal attempt. † 25th peal together. First as conductor.

Rung to inaugurate the launching of the Christian Stewardship Campaign and for Harvest Thanksgiving. Also a 17th birthday compliment to Janet E. Biscoe.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

ALTON, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Lawrence.

On Sun., Sept. 20, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 18 cwt, 1 qr. 20 lb. in E.
*Anne Biddlecombe .. Treble	Brian R. Walton .. .. 5
*Susan V. Wood .. .. 2	Ernest J. Hedger .. .. 6
*Harold A. Moody .. .. 3	Rex J. Corke .. .. 7
†Lesley J. Read .. .. 4	*Lawrence J. Noakes .. Tenor

Conducted by Rex J. Corke.

\* First peal. † First of Triples. First as conductor.  
Rung to welcome Rev. Marc Trickey, ordained Deacon earlier in the day at Winchester Cathedral, as Curate in the parish.

## GOODWORTH CLATFORD, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Fri., Oct. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being four 240's (Morris's and Pitman's) and 24 extents (ten callings).	Tenor 10 cwt.
*David N. Close .. .. Treble	Terry Tarrant .. .. 4
†Mrs. Jane Tarrant .. .. 2	Geoffrey K. Dodd .. .. 5
John Pares .. .. 3	Walter F. Mulford .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

\* First peal. † First of Doubles on a 'working bell.'  
Rung to welcome a grandson, born September 24th, 1964, to the singer of the third.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

CRADLEY, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Wed., Sept. 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5152 LINCOLN SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt, 11 lb. in G.

David R. Ingram .. .. Treble	John C. Eisel .. .. 5
Edward W. Colley .. .. 2	Michael J. Fellows .. .. 6
John R. Insley .. .. 3	Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 7
Martin D. Fellows .. .. 4	Clifford A. Barron .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

First peal in the method by all the band except the conductor.

## OVERBURY, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Faith.

On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.	Tenor 9½ cwt.
*Barry Collens .. .. Treble	*David C. Trenfield .. .. 4
Ian Lloyd .. .. 2	Arthur C. Berry .. .. 5
†Ronald M. Loxley .. .. 3	James Attwood, jun. .. Tenor

Conducted by James Attwood, jun.

\* First peal of Minor. † First of Minor 'inside.' First as conductor.

A wedding compliment to Miss A. Gladwell and Bernard H. Pitt, who were married on September 12th at Essendon, Herts.

## SEDGLEY, Staffordshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., Oct. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 SEDGLEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt, 4 lb. in F.

Roderick W. Pipe .. .. Treble	Martin D. Fellows .. .. 5
Susan Funnell .. .. 2	Michael J. Fellows .. .. 6
John R. Insley .. .. 3	Norman J. Goodman .. .. 7
Edward W. Colley .. .. 4	Clifford A. Barron .. .. Tenor

Composed by Charles J. Sedgley.

Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

The first peal in the method.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

YORK.—At the Cathedral and Metropolitan Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 49 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5016 PLAIN BOB MAXIMUS

Tenor 59 cwt, 1 qr. 23 lb.

*Sedman H. Steel .. Treble	Harold Walker .. .. 7
Barry Holland .. .. 2	*Christopher J. Groome .. 8
*David Pearson .. .. 3	*Michael Maskell .. .. 9
†Michael Staniforth .. 4	†John N. D. Chaddock .. 10
A. W. Alan Leggett .. 5	Colin Reeves .. .. 11
*Margaret E. Wilkinson .. 6	James A. D. Woolford .. Tenor

Composed by J. Reeves.

Conducted by James A. D. Woolford.

\* First peal on 12 bells. † First of Plain Bob Maximus. First peal in the tower since 1892.  
Rung be members of the York Minster Society to the Glory of God and as a welcome to Dr. Alan Richardson, as Dean of York.

## NORTHOWRAM, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Matthew.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt.

Middleton's.	Tenor 15 cwt.
J. Henry Fielden .. Treble	A. Barry Sullivan .. .. 5
Roger J. Lumley .. .. 2	W. George Turner .. .. 6
Anne E. Parkin .. .. 3	Wilfrid F. Moreton .. .. 7
David Smith .. .. 4	J. Neville Parkin .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. Henry Fielden.

Rung for Harvest Festival.

## SEDGLEY SURPRISE MAJOR, No. 21:

κ 58 x 16 x 12 x 38 x 14 x 38, 14, 36, 14, 78. i.e. 12-15738264.



## HANDBELL PEALS

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BUSHEY, Hertfordshire.—At 5, Moat Close.

*On Wed., Sept. 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 17 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In eight methods, being 1440 each of London and Rutland, 640 Bristol, and 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire. Tenor size 13 in E.

\*S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. 1—2 | Roger Baldwin .. .. 5—6  
John R. Mayne .. .. 3—4 | †Gerald Penney .. .. 7—8

Arranged and Conducted by Roger Baldwin.

\* 250th peal. † First peal of Spliced on handbells.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

HAWKSHEAD, Lancashire.—At Betty Fold.

*On Tues., Sept. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 16 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Tenor size 15 in G.

Robin Shuttleworth .. 1—2 | Mary Whalley .. .. 3—4  
Joseph Whalley (cond.) .. 5—6

Rung on the 15th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. Whalley.

## THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

All rung at SWANSEA, Glam.—At Mor-Awelon, Lon Derw, Tycoch.

*On Mon., Aug. 24, 1964, in 1 Hour and 57 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Seven extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6*On Mon., Aug. 24, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 VELINDRE BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method: 34, 16 x 16, 34, 56, l.h.=12-54632.

*On Mon., Aug. 24, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Seven extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6*On Mon., Aug. 24, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Seven extents (294 Singles). Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

The maximum number of Singles that can be rung in a peal of Plain Bob Minor. This is the first time that five handbell peals have been rung in one day.

*On Tues., Aug. 25, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 GOWER COLLEGE BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method: 34, 16 x 1236 x 36, l.h.=12-36245.

*On Tues., Aug. 25, 1964, in 1 Hour and 52 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 KENT AND OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Seven extents, 86 changes of method. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal of Spliced Kent and Oxford T.B. Minor on handbells by all and for the Guild.

*On Wed., Aug. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours.***A PEAL OF 5040 CHILDWALL COLLEGE BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method by all and for the Guild.

*On Wed., Aug. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 4 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size minus 3 in G.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6  
Brian J. Woodruffe .. 3—4 | Edmund J. Morris .. 7—8

Arranged and Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

First peal on the bells, the smallest handbells yet rung to a peal.

*On Thurs., Aug. 27, 1964, in 1 Hour and 58 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 WAVERTREE COLLEGE BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method by all and for the Guild.

*On Thurs., Aug. 27, 1964, in 1 Hour and 47 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 REVERSE CANTERBURY PLEASURE BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor size 10 in A.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method by all and for the Guild.

*On Fri., Aug. 28, 1964, in 1 Hour and 56 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 RODBOURNE COLLEGE BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method.

*On Fri., Aug. 28, 1964, in 1 Hour and 52 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In 12 methods: (1) Childwall College Bob, (2) Heatherslade College

Bob, (3) Buxton College Bob and St. Clement's College Bob, (4)

Gower College Bob and St. Nicholas College Bob, (5) Double Plain

Bob and Fulbeck Bob, (6) Abertawe Bob and Velindre Bob, (7) Oxford

Bob and Plain Bob, with 77 changes of method. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in 12 Minor methods on handbells by all and for the Guild.

*On Mon., Aug. 31, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 HEATHERSLADE COLLEGE BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method: 34, 16 x 36, 12, 36, l.h.=12-36245.

*On Fri., Sept. 4, 1964, in 1 Hour and 53 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 HORSMONDEN BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method on handbells.

*On Sun., Sept. 6, 1964, in 1 Hour and 56 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE OXFORD BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method by all and for the Guild.

*On Sun./Mon., Sept. 6/7, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 ULLSWATER BOB MINOR**

Seven extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method: x 16 x 16 x 36, l.h.=12-36245. (Originally known as Wakefield College Bob, this method has been renamed to avoid confusion with Wakefield Surprise.)

*On Fri., Sept. 11, 1964, in 1 Hour and 54 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 THELWALL BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method on handbells.

*On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 1 Hour and 48 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 PINEHURST BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method on handbells.

*On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 1 Hour and 49 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 DYNEVOR COLLEGE BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method: x 14 x 36 x 36, l.h.=12-42563.

*On Sun., Sept. 13, 1964, in 1 Hour and 56 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 NEWTON COLLEGE BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method: 14 x 1236 x 36, l.h.=12-42563.

*On Mon., Sept. 21, 1964, in 1 Hour and 56 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 EWENNY COLLEGE BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method.

EWENNY COLLEGE BOB MINOR:

x 14 x 36, 12, 36, l.h.=12-42563.



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### ENGAGEMENT

SMITH—JACKSON.—The engagement is announced of Julian W. T. Smith, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Smith, of Battle, Sussex, to Mollie Jackson, of North Tidworth, Hampshire. 5569

### DEATH

SHORTER, Nora.—On October 5th, 1964, suddenly at 15, Russell Road, Walton-on-Thames, beloved sister of Violet Lathbury. 5534

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

BENNETT, Peter S.—From October 17th my address will be College Farm, Bearley, Stratford-upon-Avon. Regret no telephone. Work telephone (8.45-5.15) Birmingham Central 9944, extension 3155/6. 5542

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### MISCELLANEOUS

DORSET RINGING FESTIVAL.—Blandford. Owing to the damaged tower there will not be any festival this year. 5563

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GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION—Chippengham Branch.—Meeting Shipton Moyne October 21st. Bells (6) available from 7 p.m. Ringing till 9 p.m. No business meeting.—H. Heath. 5572

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### MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION—Glastonbury Branch.—Meeting at Baltonsborough (6) on Saturday, October 17th. Bells 3 p.m.; service 4.30; tea and meeting. Names for tea, please.—P. Hull, Hon. Sec., Dinder, Wells. 5514

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION—Hunts. District.—Meeting at Gt. Gransden (6), Saturday, October 17th. Bells 3 p.m.; service 4.30; tea 5 p.m. Ringing in the evening.—Michael J. Dyer, Ring. Sec. 5520

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD—Leatherhead District.—Meeting at Banstead, October 17th. Ringing at 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. followed by tea and meeting. Notifications for tea to Mr. H. N. Pitstow, Saffron, High Street, Banstead, Surrey. 5514

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.—North and West Branch.—Practice at Westleigh, Saturday, October 17th, 3.30 p.m. All welcome. Rounds to Cambridge. Names for tea to the Rev. E. Shepherd Walwyn, The Vicarage, Westleigh, Instow 26. 5551

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern and Bishop's Stortford District.—Joint meeting October 17th. Great Amwell 3-5 p.m. Broxbourne 6-8 p.m. There will be no formal business meeting. Please make own tea arrangements.—D. H. Kingston. 5523

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION—St Albans District.—October 17th South Mimms. Bells (6) 3 p.m.; service 4.30; tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. J. Frost, 38, Blanche Lane, South Mimms, Barnet, Herts. Monken Hadley (8) 6.30-8.30 p.m.—M. A. Coburn. 5500

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—Annual meeting, Saturday, October 17th, St. Dunstan's, Canterbury. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.15 p.m., tea follows in Church Hall, business meeting afterwards. Other ringing arrangements available on receipt of S.A.E. Those requiring tea please notify District Secretary, Mr. T. C. Phillimore, 47, Peter's Grove, Canterbury. 5469

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION—Rochester District.—Annual District meeting at Rochester Cathedral on October 17th. Service 3.15 p.m. Bells available 4.15. Tea and meeting at Elizabeth's of Eastgate, High Street only for those who notify Mr. M. Layton, 19, Burleigh Close, Rede Court Road, Strood, at 4.45 p.m., followed by further ringing until 9 p.m.—L. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5515

LADIES' GUILD (Central District), OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD (E. Berks and S. Bucks Branch) and MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION (S. and W. District).—Joint meeting, Saturday, October 17th, at St. John's, Hillingdon. Bells (10) from 3. Service 4.45 p.m., tea and evening social in St. John's Hall. Iver bells (8). 2.30-3.45. Buses 458 and 207 connect. Notifications for tea appreciated. All welcome.—Miss J. Spreadbury, Miss D. Hague and F. W. Goodfellow, 46, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks, Hon. Secs. 5473

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD—Bicester and District Branch.—Annual meeting, Launton, Saturday, October 17th (6). Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m.; tea 4.45 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. Kinch, 3, The Causeway, Bicester. 5517

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD—Chipping Norton Branch.—Autumn meeting at Enstone on Saturday, October 17th. Bells (6) 3 p.m.; service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea to: Mr. E. J. Townsend, Chapel Lane, Shinton-under-Wychwood, Oxford. 5496

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD—Sonning Deanery Branch.—A combined practice will be held at Binfield on October 17th at 6 p.m. Special methods: Kent and Oxford T.B. Minor.—B. Castle. 5545

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.—Quarterly meeting, Shirley, October 17th. Bells (8) available 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Meeting 6 in St. James's School.—G. E. Fearn, Hon. Sec. 5449

SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS and SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD (Mansfield District).—Joint meeting at Greasley (8) on Saturday, October 17th, at 2.45 p.m. Tea at 4.30 followed by service. Names for tea to Mr. D. Beach, Sec., 17, Coach Drive, Eastwood. 5524

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Joint practice meeting of the Southern and Western Divisions at St. Nicholas', Brighton (10), Saturday, October 17th. Bells 3 p.m.; tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierpoint. 5516

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD—Basingstoke District.—Quarterly meeting at Wolverton, Hants, on Saturday, October 17th. Bells 2.30; service 4.30; tea 5. Names for tea to J. Chesterman, Leacroft, Sherborne St. John, Basingstoke, Hants. 5511

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—Practice meeting, Yatton, Tuesday, October 20th. Bells available 7-9 p.m.—M. de Jong. 5552

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Syston District.—Evening meeting at Sibley on October 21st. Ringing 7.15 until 9 p.m. All members and ringing friends welcome.—R. R. Brown, Hon. Sec. 5562

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION—Western Branch.—An evening practice meeting at North Elmham on Wednesday, October 21st. Bells available from 6.30. Next quarterly meeting at Gaywood on Saturday, November 21st. Please make every effort to attend.—C. T. 5525

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Derby District.—Monthly meeting at Duffield (10), Friday evening, October 23rd, 7 o'clock.—M. A. Willis, Dis. Sec. 5549

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Axbridge Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Lympham (6), Saturday, October 24th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business.—M. Legg, Hon. Sec. 5555

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BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—Quarterly meeting, Leighton Buzzard, Saturday, October 24th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m., followed by business and the film 'Ringers Required.' Names for tea to Mr. J. Claop, Top Flat, 32, St. Andrew's Street, Leighton Buzzard, Beds, by Thursday 22nd. All welcome. 5544

DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Lumley Castle follow in at Darlington on October 24th. Meet at St. Cuthbert's 2.30 p.m. Ringing: St. Cuthbert's and Holy Trinity 3-4.45 and 7-9 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church Hall. Service 6.15 p.m. at Holy Trinity. Names for tea by October 22nd to W. N. Park, 372, Coniscliffe Road, Darlington. 5556

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Meeting at Weybridge on Saturday, October 24th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify by the previous Wednesday. Notifications to Mr. T. Lufford, 3 Brides Road, Weybridge, Oatlands bells (8) will be available after the meeting. 5561

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Ludlow and Church Stretton District.—Quarterly meeting Stanton Jay, October 24th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Teas.—G. Randle, Ashford, Ludlow. 5550



**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Lewisham District.—Meeting, Saturday, October 24th, at Farningham. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, 21st, to Miss M. R. Andrews, 43, Wansunt Road, Bexley. 5558

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—Meeting at Horwich, Saturday, October 24th. Bells 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m.—Thornley, Sec. 5553

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hinckley District.—Meeting, Earl Shilton, October 24th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Church Hall at 5 p.m. Names by the Wednesday previous, please, to Mr. Geo. Newton, 26, Avenue South, Earl Shilton, Leics.—M. Vernon, Dis. Sec. 5548

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—Meeting at Reepham on Saturday, October 24th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Sulle bells (8) available. Names for tea to Mr. W. Ford, Market Place, Reepham. NOR 69 X. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m.—C. Bird, Hon. Sec. 5465

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Saturday, October 24th, Amersham. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, October 20th, please.—Miss Hague, 6, Stomps Road, Holyport, Maidenhead. 5493

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Salisbury Branch.—October 24th, quarterly meeting. East Knowle. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names by Tuesday, 20th, to G. A. Trimby, 24, West Street, Wilton. 5533

**SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—Practice meeting changed to **Salhurst** on October 24th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea to I. Smith, Sec., 37, Wellington Gardens, Battle. 5557

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—Quarterly meeting, St. Barnabas', Swanmore, October 24th. Bells 3 till 9 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. in Parish Hall. Names for tea to Mrs. Jones, The Laurels, New Road, Swanmore, Southampton, by previous Wednesday, please.—L. Duguid. 5547

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**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—The annual meeting will be held at Dudley on October 31st. Service in St. Thomas' Church 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Names for tea to me by October 28th, please. Towers available: 10.15-11 a.m., Brierley Hill (8); 10.45-11.30 a.m., Kingswinford (8); 11.15 a.m.-12.15 p.m., Stourbridge, St. Thomas' (8); 1.30-2.30 p.m., Lye (8, 3½ cwt.); 2.15-3, Cradley (8); 3.15-4.10 and after business meeting, Dudley (10).—M. D. Fellows, Sec., 14, Western Road, Stourbridge, Worcs. 5564

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—The 11th annual dinner will be held in the Saracen's Head Hotel, Chelmsford, on Saturday, October 31st. 6.15, for 6.45 p.m. Tickets (limited number only) 17s. 6d. Obtainable from P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Dansbury, S.A.E. please. Not later than Saturday, October 24th. 5536

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Central District.—Meeting at Croydon Parish Church, October 31st. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Bells available after tea until 8 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. F. E. Collins, 17, Hamilton Road, Thornton Heath, Surrey, by Wednesday, October 28th. A special invitation is extended to all members of the Southern District. 5536

The half peal rung at Huntingdon, Yorks (page 684), was a wedding compliment to Mr. M. Maskill and Miss D. Park.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Grimsby on Saturday, October 31st. Bells (10) from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to Mr. F. Kennington, 211, Robert Street, Grimsby.—C. A. H. 5565

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern Branch.—Meeting, Irnham, Saturday, October 31st. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday, 26th, to Mrs. B. P. Filing, The Griffin Inn, Irnham, near Grantham. Lincs.—F. G. Vickers. 5560

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northampton Branch.—Practice meeting, Little Houghton, Saturday, October 31st. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to B. E. Frost, 40, Foxgrove Avenue, Northampton. 5502

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—Central District.—Quarterly meeting, October 31st at Wickham Skeith. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in the Village Hall 5 p.m. for those applying to L. E. Last, Low St., Hoxne, Diss, Norfolk, by Wednesday, October 28th. Business meeting after tea, followed by ringing at Thornham Magna (6) 6.30-9 p.m. All outstanding subscriptions should be paid at this meeting. 5490

**TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Stratton Branch.—Meeting, Stratton (8), October 31st. Bells 2 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. All welcome. Names to H. Trewin, Marhayes, Broad Close Hill, Bude. Tel. 2513. 5559

**SOCIETY OF CHANGERINGS FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—The annual dinner will take place on Saturday, November 7th, 6 p.m. for 6.30 p.m. At Taylor's Restaurant, Cannock. Tickets 13s. 6d. Apply (with remittance) to B. G. Key, Sunny-side, Newport Road, Gnosall, Stafford. 5513

**NEWARK PARISH CHURCH  
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### LATE NEWS

We regret to announce the sudden death of Mr. Albert J. Dunk of Stockbury, Kent, on October 9th, in St. Bartholomew's Hospital, Rochester, after an operation. The sympathy of many friends is extended by friends in the K.C.A. to his wife Dorothy.

**WEST WYCOMBE, BUCKS.**—On Sept. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Gill Smith 1, L. Hylton 2, Joyce Barton 3, R. Hazell 4, D. Cornwall (cond.) 5, P. G. Harris 6. Rung to celebrate the birth this day of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Francis Dashwood.

### ROCHESTER DISTRICT'S FIRST DINNER

Some 70 ringers and friends attended the first dinner of the Rochester District of the Kent County Association held at Holy Trinity Church Hall, Sittingbourne, on September 26th, under the genial chairmanship of Mr. George Spice.

The principal guest was Mr. John Willis, who, in proposing the toast of 'The Rochester District,' gave a detailed account of the progress of the District since its formation. Mr. L. Mitchell, District secretary, replied. Mr. S. V. Rayfield, of Queenborough, proposed 'The Church,' to which the Rev. Stanley Evans, Vicar of Bredgar, a ringer whose tower contains an unringable five bells, replied.

The dinner was well supported by the Association's officers, those present including Mr. P. A. Corby, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. May, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Cross, Mrs. F. A. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. G. Kenward, Mr. G. Naylor, Mr. and Mrs. T. Barton, Mr. and Mrs. E. Barton, Mr. C. Jarrett and Mr. C. T. Osenton (District Ringing Master).

Pianoforte solos were played by Mr. K. Evans, of Strood. Thanks for the success of the social evening are due to Mrs. B. W. May and the dinner committee of Messrs. L. Mitchell, A. J. Dunk and F. J. Cheal.

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**LATE NOTICES**

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Ilchester Branch.—Corporate Communion, Sunday, October 25th, after Evensong, 7 p.m., at Hardington Mandeville (6).—R. J. Fox. 5570

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION**—S.E. District.—Meeting Broomfield Saturday November 7th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury, Chelmsford. 5571

**ST. ALBANS DISTRICT DINNER**—December 5th. Red Lion Hotel, St. Albans. Tickets 17s. 6d. from Miss C. Rimmer, 182, Tippendell Lane, Park Street, St. Albans, Herts. Friends very welcome.—M. A. Coburn, Dis. Sec. 5568

**QUARTER PEALS**

**SWAFFHAM, NORFOLK.**—On Sept. 27th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: F. Sutton 1, M. Bryan 2, S. G. Elsey 3, W. W. Cousins 4, R. Newsome 5, E. H. Mastin (cond.) 6, C. Cousins 7, N. V. Harding 8. For Harvest Festival.

**SWINDON, WILTS.**—On Sept. 28th, 1,299 Stedman Caters: Miss J. E. Davidge (first of Stedman) 1, G. E. Wheeler 2, W. W. T. Daniell 3, Miss S. H. Little 4, W. B. Kynaston 5, M. D. Penney 6, M. J. Stanley 7, A. G. Wells 8, E. Sutton (cond.) 9, P. Minchin 10. Rung half-muffled in memory of Reg Townsend, a ringer at Christ Church for 40 years.

**TETTENHALL, STAFFS.**—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): P. Day (first quarter) 1, R. Humphries 2, G. Page 3, Mrs. J. Humphries 4, A. G. Newman (cond.) 5, P. Tummy 6, L. Fletcher 7, S. Luckett 8. For Harvest Festival.

**TEWKESBURY, GLOS.**—On Sept. 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Boskett 1, P. Robertson 2, J. Attwood, jun., 3, M. Hawkes (cond.) 4, A. Halling 5, J. Attwood, sen., 6, E. Leach 7, Rev. P. Brett 8. A farewell to Rev. P. Brett, who is going to St. Peter's, Bourne-mouth.

**TWICKENHAM, MIDD.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,232 Plain Bob Major: Susan Neal Smith 1, Anne Horsford 2, Dr. Gillian Leale 3, Ann Muir 4, Dr. A. J. Muir 5, Dr. J. Killick 6, Dr. D. J. Neal Smith 7, R. Leale (cond.) 8. Rung for the silver wedding of Dr. and Mrs. Neal Smith, which took place on September 16th.

**WHITTLEBURY, NORTHANTS.**—On Sept. 16th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): G. Kingston 1, Pauline Kingston 2, Daphne Webb 3, J. Linnell 4, C. E. Truman (cond.) 5.

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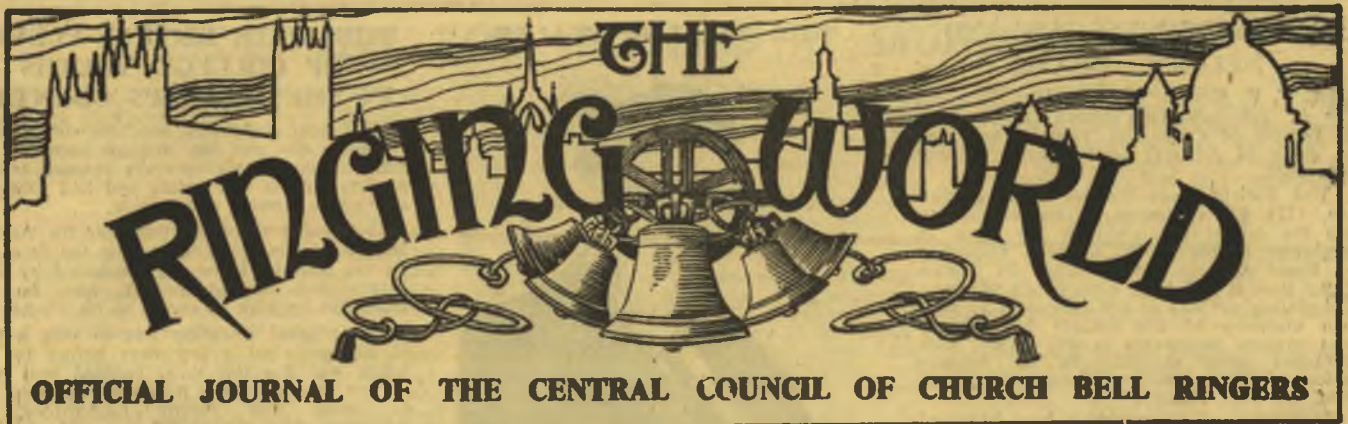
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## DEGENERATION IN CHURCH TOWER DESIGN

By T. A. BEVIS

Bellringers are fondly familiar with those substantial, seemingly indestructible Gothic structures from which bells have entreated and exhorted the faithful for many hundreds of years.

In the past decade concern has arisen in varying degrees over the future of church towers. Since the mid nineteen forties the desirable Gothic bloom, a consistent challenge to architects forever developing progressive upward thrusts and magnificent vaulted spans representative of poetry and prayer, undeniably symbolic of our island race and admired by men the world over . . . began to fade. In its place by small, apologetic beginnings, arose contemporary structures—airy, web-like sentinels among which may be seen conical and triangular designs, adhering to the current architectural trend.

Any future possibility of these buildings accommodating rings of bells is, to a large extents, inconceivable. Glass is substituted for louvres and loudspeakers for bells. At the press of a button the miracle of electronics sets in motion gravel-like vibrations in keeping with what many, rightly or wrongly, consider to be rootless foundations of the abstract age.

Some 12 months ago it was stated that ancient church towers cannot be expected to last for ever. History's unwritten rule remains consistently unconservative: the old must give way to the new. And, if care is not shown, the suffocation of valued traditions well ensue.

Nowadays it would seem that some lack of forethought between ecclesiastical authorities and architects is prevalent. Church architecture is again experiencing a revival. The last time a major revival occurred was five centuries ago—but it retained the practical element. Not so today.

An artist of the 20th century is not expected to paint what he outwardly sees: the resultant image is the product of psychological inspirations. There is no shape nor depth. Qualities by which good pictures are recognised are no longer visible.

Modern architecture follows much the same pattern . . . free-flowing vision aided and abetted by new and cheaper materials, unfortunately heavily backed by economical difficulties. It all harmonises with changing spiritual conceptions to suit the age in which we live. And what have

we? An increasing number of church 'towers' of a style out of this world. The perforated minaret at Stevenage New Town is a classical example of an expensive yet virtually useless ornamented substitute for a bell tower.

Unwittingly or deliberately something good and worthwhile is being sacrificed. Towers are becoming mere ornaments and without bells they are purely symbolic and therefore of no practical value.

It is frequently alleged that an increasing number of architects advise against the installation of bells in modern towers. Such advice, naturally, is strongly supported by the preponderous financial problems involved. Tape-recordings are much cheaper—and convenient.

How refreshing it is when at least one architect displays concern for the future of the art of bellringing.

Brian Austen, writing in the 'Ely Diocesan Gazette,' asks: Are we in danger of forgetting bells in our contemporary church building?

He suggests that the absence of bell towers in new church building is largely due to the fear that they would involve too much expenditure. 'In some new churches the provision of a tower is therefore dismissed entirely, and the architect completes his design without it.'

In other cases a tower might be regarded at a later stage in the building of the church, but this is unsatisfactory for both architect and client, as the chances of a tower actually being built are usually remote.'

Mr. Austen writes that these fears of cost are to some extent exaggerated. He concludes: 'It is no longer necessary to build huge towers to take heavy rings of bells; light rings can be easily accommodated, in simple structures, provided there is close co-operation between architect structural engineer, bell founder and bell hanger at an early stage in the design.'

The issue is divided between cost and waste, with a fair dabbling of the psychological senses to add an unusual flavour. One feels that the writing is on the wall. The day of the Boston vision is over.

Is not the time opportune for authorities in the ringing fraternity, ecclesiastical realm and architectural circles to view what would seem to be an urgent matter in our light, at every conceivable angle? All material things are subject to the future. Church towers and bells are an integral part of English Christian heritage. It would be a pity to see bells placed on record as a communicative art of the past, and towers degenerate to mere shapes and fancies of the mind—and be finally omitted from church building in future years.



## CAMBRIDGE YOUTHS AND NELSON'S DEATH

MR. T. R. Dennis, of Cambridge, forwards us the following extract copied from the records of Cambridge Youths concerning the death of Admiral Lord Nelson, October 21st, 1805.

'This Society, from the day of its institution, 1724, has continued no less anxious to give the holiest intimation to the town of Cambridge of the arrival of news respecting the signal victories accomplished by British valour than it had been occasionally foremost in deploring the loss of not only such as have been members of this Society but of the most eminent personages in this nation, such characters more especially in the military station who have universally merited the applause of their country.

'In a series of events which have benefited every Englishman, and garnished their Navy with the laurels of victory that time itself can never wither, all will readily perceive that this note is allusive to the many brilliant successes achieved by the immortal Admiral Nelson, whose life was lost on the 21st October, 1805, in the gain of a most glorious victory off Cape Trafalgar near Cadiz over the combined fleets of France and Spain, a victory most complete and, considering the alarming crisis of political affairs, the most important that ever dignified the annals of war.

'It was on the arrival of the melancholy tidings of the loss of this luminous gem from the constellation of the British Navy that this Society immediately caused the bells of Great St. Mary's tower to be invested with the trappings of sorrow and a mourning peal concluded the solemnity of that night in which every inhabitant participated. The like awful ceremony in the same tower was repeated on the 19th January following the evening of the hero's lamented funeral in St. Paul's, London, where his ashes were consigned to peaceful oblivion whilst his memory liveth to be admired and his example imitated by future generations.'

Mr. Dennis thinks that this may have been written by John Bowtell, a bookseller and benefactor of the famous Aldenbrookes Hospital, or Thomas Steers, an ingenious mathematician who is believed to have composed the extent of Bob Major. Bowtell was elected in 1773 and Steers in 1787.

'The Cambridge Youths have had a chequered existence over its 240 years of service to the public and University,' writes Mr. Dennis, 'and curiously there are no entries of Sunday service ringing or festivals of the Church. There is another entry, which is rather intriguing, in 1845, when the bells were rung all day (probably with breaks for lawful refreshment) for the opening of the railway from London to Cambridge, but in keeping with Mr. Wilson's article the bells of St. Mary's were never rung for Sunday services until somewhere about 1930, but of course chimed by various steeplekeepers in their line of succession.'

## CHRISTCHURCH RINGING FESTIVAL

The assembly point for Christchurch Ringing Festival, held in beautiful weather on September 26th, was at Ringwood, and after ringing on the eight bells at the Parish Church the party travelled to Wimborne St. Giles. The beautiful church, standing at the entrance to the picturesque St. Giles' Park, the country seat of Lord Shaftesbury, boasts of a melodious ring of eight.

At Wimborne's ancient Minster Church (10 bells), the belfry was crowded with ringers who enjoyed some excellent ringing. St. Peter's, Bournemouth, bells (8) were available for an hour and a half and full use was made of them before moving to Christchurch, where the ladies of the Christchurch District of the Guild had prepared tea. All were ready for some refreshment and a little rest before ascending the Priory tower for more ringing on the 12 bells.

Another successful and enjoyable Festival was over, but not before hearty votes of thanks had been accorded to incumbents and the ladies who prepared tea. A. V. D.

## THE 27th 1,000 PEALER



MR. JOSEPH W. COTTON

THIS week we are happy to publish the 1,000th peal of Mr. Joseph W. Cotton, which was rung at his home tower, Overseale, Derbyshire, on October 6th. Appropriately, the method was Overseale Surprise Major.

The peal was arranged and conducted by Mr. Brian G. Warwick, who in February, 1961, had the honour of doing a similar service for the late Ernest Morris' 2,000th peal (Morrison Surprise Royal).

Joe had picked a band of friends for the occasion. Arthur Rowley came from Ibstock to ring the treble; Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hart made the long journey from Harrow; Richard J. Clifton (Packington) is a member of the Tuesday band; Roland Beniston (Whitwick) and Derek P. Jones completed the band.

As was to be expected, a good peal was rung. At the conclusion, Joe's daughter, Joan, came into the tower and photographed the party. A lovely supper had been prepared at Joe's home by Mrs. Cotton and Joan and it was a happy gathering to have participated in the fulfilment of a lifelong ambition.

The Exercise sends its warmest congratulations to the secretary of the Midland Counties Guild on becoming the 27th ringer to ring 1,000 peals. B. G. W.

## N.W. SUFFOLK BELLRINGERS AT BARROW

A very warm welcome was made to the N.W. Suffolk ringers and friends when they met for their annual meeting at Barrow on October 10th. The Rev. J. R. M. Wright (Rector) met them and with Mr. P. Rawlings said how pleased they were to hear the ringers. Evensong was taken by the Rector, with Mrs. Foulsham as organist. A wonderful tea was provided by Mrs. Rawlings, Mrs. Wright and helpers. Music followed—tunes on handbells by Mr. Rawlings and his young band.

Mr. L. Wright presided at the business meeting and the members stood in silence in remembrance of Mr. William Rickwood, a West Stow ringer, who died last month.

Officers elected were: Mr. L. Wright, chairman; Mr. A. Ballam, secretary; Mr. Richard Rose, Ringing Master; and Miss G. Reeve, Press secretary. Mrs. Ivings and Miss D. Reeve were elected representatives on the Guild Executive. The following comprise the District Committee: The chairman, secretary, Ringing Master, Mrs. Ivings, Misses G. and D. Reeve.

Quarterly meetings for 1965 were fixed as follows: Elveden, January 9th; Newmarket, April 10th; Mildenhall, July 10th; West Stow, October 9th. Evening practice meetings: Great Barton, November 14th; Ixworth, December 12th.

Mrs. Ivings thanked all concerned for the excellent arrangements made for both service and tea.

Ringing was resumed in the tower until 9 p.m., when 12 Doubles methods were enjoyed.

## THE ELITE SECOND ELEVEN OF COLLEGE YOUTHS IN THE MASTER'S COUNTRY

THIS year Sangwin's Satellites dwindled to three (six was the original number), but this year could only be really counted as two, as Brian White is courting and had plenty to do besides farming and ringing.

Twenty-five years ago this year the Ancient Society of College Youths rang the first peal on the bells at Tawstock, conducted by Tom Myers, but this anniversary, alas, he was unable to be with us owing to his illness.

The original intention was to ring a peal at Bideford, but a few days before the attempt was due the Vicar stopped peal ringing, so at a moment's notice Derek Jewel got in touch with Jimmy Easterbrook, of Tawstock, who saw the Rector and obtained permission for the attempt. The old Society rang a good peal of Grandsire Triples, conducted this time by Brian White, and including this year's Master of the Society who was thrilled to think that he had rung a College Youths peal in the tower in which he learned to ring and strike, and in which his dear old mother and father lie peacefully in the churchyard.

This peal was rung with happy thoughts by the writer and one or two of the older members of 'Banker Taylor,' who also learned to ring and strike in this tower, and whose father was also a ringer and village school master and is buried at the bottom of the tower steps. Also remembered was his dear 'Old Dad' and Chris Walker, who were in the peal 25 years ago and have now been called to higher service.

Before departing we agreed to have a day's ringing on the Thursday, the party being Charlie Sangwin, Fred Wilkins, the Master, Frank White, Rodney Cann and I. These six bell towers included the famous West Down, where we rang Grandsire. Stedman and Bob Minor without disgracing ourselves, but with the knowledge that it was not so good as West Down competition ringing.

A very pretty spot was Berrynabor, and here we also rang the six bells quite well, then on to the 'Pack of Cards,' where we reminisced and waited for Derek Jewel to finish work. At Combe Martin we met Les Walters and Miss Boyle and rang a very good quarter peal of Grandsire Triples. It was a very happy day with the Master on top of his form, being in his own country, and the writer could not fault him in any way, even to the way he trebled up in the various towers.

On the Saturday, Rodney Cann rang his first peal, Grandsire, inside, and this indeed was a very good effort as Rodney is a professional soldier and does not hear a ring or handle a bell from one leave to another, and serving abroad his leaves are sometimes twelve or eighteen months apart. We were joined for this peal by Reg Hooper and Bryn Shackleton from Bristol and a very happy week-end was spent ringing on the lovely eight at Stratton, the six at Week St. Mary and the lovely church at Launcells before departing for home.

Before starting the peal at Bridgerule the local foreman at Stratton asked that John Sangwin should be congratulated on becoming a grandfather, and as the peal was successful the baby's head was well wetted and the father of the Stratton ringers toasted with great enthusiasm.

The writer hopes that when the Master makes his speech at the College Youths' dinner at the end of the month, he will revert to ordinary elocution and not to his native dialect, of which I am sure the cosmopolitan ringers that attend the dinner would fail to understand. W. H.

**WAREHAM, DORSET.**—On Sept. 27th, 1,280 Grandsire Doubles: R. W. Young 1, Judith A. Robertson 2, V. J. Baker (first of Grandsire 'inside') 3, G. W. Elmes 4, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 5, compliment to Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Young, for their M. J. Young 6. For Harvest Festival, also a belated recent silver wedding anniversary.



## MINSTER PEAL BAND HONoured AT SNOWDON DINNER

IT was a happy coincidence that so soon after the successful ringing of a peal on the Minster bells, for the first time for 72 years, York should be the host for this year's Snowdon Dinner, which was held on October 10th.

The bells at the Minster (12), Acomb (6), Escrick (8), Huntingdon (6) and the Institute of Advanced Architectural Studies (6) were put to good use during the afternoon. Many visitors attended Evensong in the Minster, where the work of the Yorkshire Association was mentioned during the prayers.

A company of 135 assembled in the Windmill Hotel under the chairmanship of the president, the Ven. C. O. Ellison, Archdeacon of Leeds, and enjoyed a satisfying meal of roast beef and Yorkshire pudding. The president apologised for the absence of the Archbishop of York; Dr. Alan Richardson, Dean of York (on account of illness); Canon T. H. Tardrew, who was at Evensong but had since been taken ill; the Rev. M. Walker (Escrick); the Rev. G. Lawn (Huntingdon); Mr. T. W. White (suffering from an attack of shingles); and Mr. Horace Morley (in York City Hospital, but making satisfactory progress). The president said he was sure all present would sympathise with the sufferers, and wish them a speedy recovery.

### MINSTER RINGERS

The president thanked the Minster Society for making arrangements for the dinner and offered his congratulations to the ringers of the first peal on the Minster bells for over 70 years. He asked the company to rise and drink to the health of the Minster ringers.

The toast of 'The Church' was proposed by Mr. Wilfrid Moreton, who said his father, a clergyman, sometime Vicar of Flamborough on the Yorkshire coast, thought all ringers were mad.

'What will Church historians say of the age we now live in?' asked Mr. Moreton. Would it be an age of reunion, reorganisation, rationalisation or realism? It would not be reformation or renaissance: he hoped it would be the Age of Reunion, or so far as the Church of England was concerned, the Age of Reorganisation.

'We ringers must think of responsibility. We live on the generosity of past benefactors, and responsibility is something to be realised. The bells in most churches have been provided by past congregations, and perhaps their value is not realised. We must soon start to think of the finances of the Church.'

In the absence of Canon Tardrew, the Rev. A. J. McMullen, Sacrist and Vicar Choral of York Minster, made a suitable reply and said he would convey the best wishes of the company to the Dean and Canon Tardrew.

Proposing the toast of 'Jasper Whitfield Snowdon and Past Officers of the Yorkshire Association,' Mr. N. Chaddock said that he could think of several reasons for these annual gatherings. Firstly, to revere past officers, secondly to seek inspiration from them, and thirdly for mutual enjoyment of meeting old friends and making new ones.

Under the first heading he dealt in detail with the contribution of the Snowdon family—Jasper, one of the founders and the first president of the Yorkshire Association, his brother William who, aided by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, completed Jasper's celebrated ringing text books and also served as president for 25 years. Mr. Chaddock also referred to the work of William's wife and daughter in keeping the Snowdon books in publication.

### RINGER'S NECK SQUARE

He produced a beautiful 80-year-old silk ringer's neck square which belonged to Jasper Snowdon. Its design was based on church bells and the first line of Tennyson's poem, 'Ring out the False, Ring in the True.' This had been presented to the Yorkshire Association a few days previously by Mrs. Winifred Turner, who now has care of the Snowdon series of text books.

In a selection of past officers and the contribution to the Yorkshire Association, he mentioned Canon Marshall (president for 35 years), whose wife was present at the dinner. His motto was 'Hard work and loyalty.' The great contribution of that fine ringer and singer at York Minster, William Horner Howard, was not overlooked. He chaired all the important early Yorkshire Association meetings and was one of the first Central Council representatives. Many other well-known figures, including Clem Glenn, Sid Palmer, Percy Johnson, George Lewis and the Hattersley brothers, were mentioned.

### REPORT SUPREME

Times had changed, Mr. Chaddock said, and in these days it was not easy to find people prepared to do arduous and often thankless tasks year in, year out. The Association was, however, fortunate in still having talented and hard-working officers. The reputation of Yorkshire ringers and bells stood high and its annual report contained information valued by many ringers in other areas, one of whom had that very week said: 'In this field, once again Yorkshire is supreme.'

However, though it had notable successes, the Yorkshire Association was going through difficult times, as all the members knew. Mr. Chaddock asked 'Will a study of former leaders help us?' In recalling the past, might we be inspired to devote ourselves to the even greater tasks ahead! These would call for loyalty, hard work and co-operation between all concerned.

There must be willingness to think afresh, to discard some ideas and features if need be, and to retain others. Ringers who showed interest in Association work, especially young ringers, should be encouraged and their ideas and services welcomed and considered carefully.

### STEDMAN CINQUES

The apt response to this toast was a bob course of Stedman Cinques on handbells by John E. Bryant 1-2, Robert E. Moulds 3-4, J. Henry Fielden 5-6, Wilfrid F. Moreton 7-8, Geoffrey F. Bryant 9-10, J. Neville Parkin 11-12.

'The Guests and Kindred Societies' was proposed by Mr. Harold Walker. The guests included the Rev. E. A. Flowerday (Vicar of Acomb and Rural Dean of York), Mrs. Flowerday, the Rev. A. J. McMullen and Mrs. McMullen. Kindred Societies represented were the Oxford Diocesan Guild, the Oxford Society, the Essex Association, the Derby Diocesan Association, the Southwell Diocesan Guild, the Lancashire Association and the Ladies' Guild.

The Rev. E. A. Flowerday replied on behalf of the guests and Mr. H. L. Roper (vice-president of the Oxford Diocesan Guild) spoke for the Kindred Societies. Mr. Roper said that on reading old copies of the 'Bell News' he thought the ringers of those far-off days were a pretty snooty lot. Reports were divided between metropolitan ringers and provincial ringers. Things were different these days and ringers mixed more freely and were more friendly. The change had been due to the work of the Associations.

Mr. Christopher Groome proposed the toast of 'The President' and said the thanks of all members were due to the president for the work he did for the Association.

Musical items during the evening included a piano recital of Chopin by the Rev. A. J. McMullen and songs by Mr. Andrew Carter, accompanied by Mrs. Carter. Mr. Carter is a Minster Songman and also a ringer.

## SOUTH DEVON ASSOCIATION'S FESTIVAL

Plympton St. Maurice, an ancient borough, lying just off the main road into Plymouth, is noted as the birthplace of Sir Joshua Reynolds and having had Sir Christopher Wren as its one-time Member of Parliament. As the neighbouring Church of St. Mary was once the chapel of the old priory, so was once the 15th century Church of St. Maurice the chapel of the adjoining castle.

It was here on October 3rd that the Association met for the annual eight-bell festival with eight teams competing on the fine ring of bells (tenor 16 cwt.) After the service, conducted by the Rector, and while the captains drew for order of ringing, the three judges, Messrs. T. G. Daw, of Ipplepen, and H. G. Edwards and F. J. Stephens, both of West Alvington, made their way to their 'hide,' a summerhouse in the grounds of the nearby R.C. Convent, in the warm autumn sunshine.

Four teams—Babbacombe, Plympton St. Mary, Plymstock and Widecombe—went in before tea—an excellent half-crown's worth as usual—and Witheridge, Ashburton, Tavistock and Kings Teignton (in that order) afterwards. Witheridge had the misfortune to break a stay and this upset Ashburton who followed them, in that they almost turned the bell (the second) right over at the commencement of the peal just after they had come out of 'Queens.' However, in spite of these misfortunes, there was some excellent ringing.

A 'rush around,' just as the light was failing, procured a 'Tilly' lamp to enable the judges to mark Kings Teignton—the last of the day—which even to 'lay' ears almost required no judging. Tavistock would have been higher up the 'table' had they achieved a better rise into peal. The results were: Kings Teignton (50½ faults), Plymstock (62), Plympton St. Mary (84), Tavistock (107), Babbacombe (142), Widecombe (190), followed by Witheridge and Ashburton.

After the results had been declared, the Association's thanks were expressed to the Rector, the Rev. K. A. Newing, his ringers, under their captain, Mr. D. Farnham, and their ladies for the tea.

The Association joins with the Devonshire Guild in the deep sense of loss at the recent death of its general secretary, Maurice Atkins, whose friendship knew no ringing frontiers.

B. E. B.

**WARNHAM, SUSSEX.**—On Sept. 20th, 1260 Grandsire Triples: R. Exler 1, M. Turner 2, Miss D. Mullins 3, J. Nelson (first in method) 4, R. Banner 5, Miss I. Gocher 6, G. Francis (cond.) 7, T. Latham 8. First on eight bells 1 and 8.

**WUKINGHAM, BERKS.**—On Oct. 4th, at All Saints' Church, 1260 Grandsire Triples: E. Whittingham 1, Miss M. Longhurst 2, Miss V. A. Hope (first 'inside') 3, Miss M. Coles 4, K. C. Begrie 5, K. Goddard 6, R. H. Begrie (cond.) 7, F. G. Begrie 8. For Harvest Festival.

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# Letters to the Editor

## Some Wisdom amid Absurdities

Dear Sir.—When I made my comments upon the article 'Our Belfries' by the Rev. H. R. Haweis, I was tempted to omit the fact that it was written in 1871 because as the Rev. J. G. M. Scott so rightly points out there are quite a number of points which are as prevalent today as when the article was written. On second thoughts I resisted the temptation otherwise there would have been a number of fruitless searches in 'Crockford' for the Rev. H. R. Haweis; then I would have been in real trouble.

I know full well that I ran the risk of a slating when the article was published: that is an occupational hazard, but I did not reckon on a 'rocket' from the Rev. Gentleman from Devon; none but he could have fired a better one and there is a lot of truth in what he says.

No I do not think I did Mr. Haweis an injustice by writing as I did—when he said 'The notion that there is nothing to do up in the belfry after the bells are hung but to let them swing and everything else rot seems a prevalent one' I commented 'Now our friend is talking sense and strange to relate the same notion is prevalent today.' I think this also gives him credit for some wisdom when he draws attention to regular painting.

Yes, Mr. Scott, I have stood at the foot of ladders you describe and climbed them with some trepidation knowing full well what I should find at the top; also stood on, and gone through, rotten floors: then years later after the bells have been restored and good access provided found conditions a disgrace.

It always has been a puzzle to me why so many ringers have little or no interest in the maintenance of the bells they ring on. True there are some steeple-keepers who take a pride in the care of their bells and frame, consequently it is a pleasure to visit their towers. Routine maintenance is not demanding, especially after a ring has been rehung: the accumulation of years of rubbish has been cleared out and everywhere is clean. It costs a lot of money to achieve a nice clean bell-chamber so why not keep it tidy, a regular visit does not take up a lot of time and the result is well worth it.

The number of times when adverse reports have been made on maintenance are legion but how often is advice acted upon? Rarely I am afraid. So when I first read 'Our Belfries' I had the germ of an idea that ridicule might have more effect than a formal comment, but will it? In this mechanical age there is less excuse for neglect than in the days of the horse (and candles) so I can only hope that the attention Mr. Scott draws to the wisdom amid absurdities bears fruit.—Yours,  
JOHN P. FIDLER.

Loughborough.

## Dedicate the time spent in a Peal

Dear Sir.—In these modern days when bells have become so much a part of the Church's activities, I wonder how people can write and refer to bellringing as a sport. By doing so they straightway bring the sacred dedicated down to the level of a cricket bat or a football. All men have their gifts of craftsmanship, whether it be in metal, wood or stone, and bellfounders are giving the best of their skill, bestowed upon them by God, to the many cathedrals and churches.

I've just been reading a little criticism of peal ringers who ring their numerous peals but never ring for service. If there are such people I would say to them, the next time you attempt your 5,000-odd changes, quietly stand by your bell rope and dedicate your coming three hours' effort only to the glory of God with an ever-thankful heart for your skill and ability, as many a cripple laid aside would love to have your chances and skill.

With these thoughts uppermost, far greater joy will be reaped at the end of the peal than if it is done just for personal pleasure, whether it is your first or 2,000th peal.—Yours sincerely,

A. BETSWORTH.

Liss, Hants.

## Grandsire Triples

Dear Sir.—I have followed with much enjoyment and interest the articles by Mr. E. C. Shepherd on the making of touches of Grandsire Triples. They have shown me a number of interesting possibilities I had not considered in this most versatile method.

There is one point, however, which I feel Mr. Shepherd was wrong to omit in his last article in discussing the Handstroke Home position. This is the simple fact that if the bells are to come round at hand then an odd number of Singles must have been called, whereas if they are to come round at backstroke then an even number of Singles must have been called.

This, of course, happens because until a Single is called in Grandsire Triples the rows are alternately odd and even at hand- and backstroke, respectively, the sequence being reversed by each Single. This determines where rounds—an Even row—can occur.

This fact is doubtless not so important to the person trying to compose touches on paper at home, although it is a helpful piece of knowledge. But to the conductor in the tower trying to extemporise a touch, as Mr. Shepherd rightly suggests should be done, it is absolutely vital.

For example, the experienced might try the following:

234567

S 572634

567423

S 435267

423756

— 674523

— 356274

325467

— 743625

— 764532

— 257364

— 235476

Calling H of  
last article.  
B and W keeps the  
Tittum position.  
7 In and Out at two  
produces  
Handstroke Home.

This calling makes the largest three-bells course 5-7-6, and calling 7 In and Out will keep them in this position, and one might hope that by continuing to call 7 In and Out rounds would occur eventually at handstroke.

It will not; but if the second single of 'calling H' is made a hob, a well-known and musical touch results.—Yours faithfully,

M. PETERSON.

Edinburgh.

## Memories of J. W. Washbrook

Dear Sir.—My congratulations to the four who rang the double-handed tower bell peal at Balcombe. Like Mr. Barnett, I well remember visiting Arklow many times between 1904 and 1909 during which period I rang seven peals with him. In two of these he rang 3-4 to Bob Major and Stedman Triples, feats which startled the ringing world and caused doubts in the minds of many ringers regarding the truth of the peal of Major in December, 1904, the sole point being nobody could ring two bells for over three hours. In the following May the Rev. F. E. Robinson and the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn went over for a peal of Stedman, with Washbrook again on 3-4, and all doubts sank into oblivion when the peal was duly recorded.—Yours sincerely,

WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

Addlestone, Surrey.

## Shropshire Fours

Dear Sir.—With reference to letters about rings of four in Shropshire. I would like to say that much of my information was obtained from the 1961 annual report of the Shropshire Association. However, I have had to rely on other people, although I have visited many of the fours in Salop. If my information on Wentnor is incorrect, then I beg someone's pardon, but I was told quite definitely that there is only one bell at Wentnor now.—Yours sincerely,

PHILIP R. JOHNSON.

Codsall, Staffs.

## Badsworth, Yorks, Bells

Dear Sir.—In view of the two recent letters by Michael King on Yorkshire four-bell towers, I may be able to throw some light on what evidently puzzles him about the bells of Badsworth, near Pontefract.

These bells were examined in late August by John Sykes, of Pontefract, and myself. They are a minor four, their notes being A-sharp, G-sharp, F-sharp, and E, the tenor weighing. I should think, about 13 or 14 cwt. Therefore, if they were ever intended to be a diatonic ring, they would be Nos. 2 to 5 of an 8, with a tenor of about 45 cwt. in B. This seems to me very unlikely.

They are hung in frame for 6, and the two spaces are for smaller bells than those already there, but there is nothing in the records to show (1) whether there were another two, or (2) where they are now if there were.

The inscriptions and dates are interesting, although we could find no founders' name. Any marks which there were, were unrecognisable:

Treble.—1536 — Let the sweet voice of Gabriel resound through the heavens.

Second.—1675 — Gloria in excelsis Deo. I.H. H.H. W.B. Wardens.

Third.—1669 — I, sweetly tolling, men do call to task on Meate that feeds the soule.

Tenor.—1582—Glory in the highest to Jesus our God. Anno Domini 1582, the figure 2 being upside down.

The bells were recently rung by Mr. Fred Terry's band, although the wheels, etc. are not in very good shape.

It is a local legend in Pontefract that these bells, together with one from St. Botolph's, Knottingley, once belonged to All Saints', Pontefract, when All Saints' is reputed to have had 12 bells. Whether there is any truth in this, I do not know, but they certainly have no connection with the present ring at All Saints', which are Taylor's, 1863 and 1905. I would be grateful, however, if anyone could shed any light on this matter.—Yours faithfully,  
JOHN WEAVER.

London, N.14.

## An Appeal from Southern Rhodesia

Dear Sir.—The half-yearly meeting of the Mashonaland Diocesan Guild will be held at the Cathedral in Salisbury, Rhodesia, on Sunday, November 8th, at 3 p.m. Ringing will start after Matins (about 11.45) and will continue, with intervals, till Evensong at 8 p.m.

We have lately heard of one or two ringers who are in the area but have not heard of the activities of the Guild. We should therefore be very grateful if readers of 'The Ringing World' would write to any ringers or ex-ringers they know in Rhodesia who may still not be in touch with us and tell them the date. For anyone who cannot attend, may I point out that there is a weekly practice in Salisbury on Wednesdays from 5.30 p.m., and ringing for Evensong on Sundays from 7 to 8 p.m. Visitors of any standard are always welcome.—Yours sincerely,  
J. R. MILFORD.

Master, Mashonaland Diocesan Guild.

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION Biggleswade District

Unfortunately, the monthly meeting of the Biggleswade District had not been advertised and consequently there was a very poor attendance at Meppershall on October 10th. Despite the fairly long draught some good ringing was obtained on the five bells (tenor 12 cwt.), which are rung from the middle of the aisle.

After a short service, conducted by the Rector, the few ringers present adjourned to the Village Hall for an enjoyable tea. At the short business meeting which followed, one new member from Meppershall was elected.

Mr. P. Rogers was Ringing Master for the evening and, with the arrival of several more ringers, Plain Bob and Grandsire were frequently rung together with the special method, Stedman, and rounds.

Next meeting: Stotfold, November 14th.

A. R. A.



## DOVE'S SUMMER TOUR, No. 2

A very full tour embracing 115 towers from Chiddingfold, Kent, to Cirencester was organised by Mr. C. Barrie Dove during early August. Traffic chaos prevented three of the party from Yorkshire arriving at Chiddingfold in time for the peal attempt and two quarters were substituted. The Worcester party joined us here before going to Eastbourne.

Sunday was a 'day of rest before the storm' with service ringing at Dallington, Brightling and Brede and in between bathing and beach cricket. Thirteen towers in Kent were planned for Monday, the highlights being Goudhurst, Horsmonden and Tonbridge. Tuesday saw us in Romney Marsh, where the first tower was the unique campanile of Brookland. After 10 towers some of the party finished the day at the practice at All Saints', Hastings.

The coast was left on Wednesday and 13 towers on the northern border of Sussex visited, the highlights being Edenbridge and Fairwarp. Thursday was another fruitful day with 11 towers in Surrey. Ringing at Godstone and Cranleigh was a joy but the real attraction was the 10 at Haslemere and the excellent tea. On Friday we moved into Hampshire, Curdridge being the obvious choice for 'the best of the day'; although these bells vied with Brookland for being the loudest of the tour.

Bank Holiday Saturday found us hovering on the borders of Sussex and Hampshire and finally working towards Newbury. On the Sunday we rang at Thatcham and Newbury and finally rang handbells in Swindon Town Gardens, thereby obliterating (we hope) the shadow of the hoax peal there. Christ Church, Swindon, bells were regarded as probably the best of the tour.

On Monday we rang at an 'unringable' tower, Coleshill, Berks, in our tour of the Vale of the White Horse and in the evening met Mr. A. R. Peake at Stratton St. Margaret. The last day was Tuesday; the lovely six at Purton, the beautiful church at Cricklade and the 12 at Cirencester are happy memories.

Thanks are accorded to incumbents and tower captains for their co-operation, our drivers — John Weaver, John Whittall and Jeffrey Fox — and the organiser, C. Barrie Dove, who worked so hard on the project.— J.W. and D.L.

**OVER, CAMBS.**—On September 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. J. Page 1, Miss J. Cook 2, P. Leggett 3, D. Murfit 4, J. Causer 5, A. Payne (cond.) 6, F. Ingle cover, For Harvest Festival.

**SLOUGH, BUCKS.**—On Sept. 27th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: A. D. Rivers 1, Pamela M. Jervis 2, R. J. Foster (first of Major) 3, B. T. Lister 4, F. R. Scott 5, J. E. Ewer 6, W. Birmingham 7, J. K. Ward (cond.) 8. For Harvest Festival.



Back row (left to right): John E. Whittall, C. Barrie Dove, Jeffrey J. Fox, John Cornelius.  
Front row: John C. Weaver, Gillian A. Richards, Penny L. Howell, Anthony P. White.  
[Photo: Anne Horsford.]

## BECKENHAM, KENT, RINGERS' OUTING

The fine eight at Wrotham made a fitting start to Beckenham's outing on September 19th. After well-struck touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Cambridge, a very good course of Bristol broke down in the last lead, much to everybody's disappointment, but the fine Taylor ten at Maidstone soon restored our spirits and produced some good touches, finishing with Cambridge before lunching at a nearby restaurant.

Horsmonden Church was a little hard to find, but the bells proved to be much more difficult and the bad 'go' daunted even the most enthusiastic. However, the delightful six at Lamberhurst made up for all this and striking was good, even though some people were unused to ground-floor rings with corresponding long rope lengths. Equally enjoyable was the eight at Withyham, and here methods included Duffield, which, by tradition, is an 'outing special'.

The last two towers were the sixes at Limpsfield and Limpsfield Chart, where the Minor enthusiasts showed their skills in a variety of methods up to London.

The serious business now over, we retired to Westerham for dinner, and this proved to be a most satisfying conclusion to a thoroughly successful day. D. G. B.

## TAUNTON RINGERS IN CORNWALL

FOLLOWING the success of a week-end tour last year based on Stratton, Cornwall, and enjoying the hospitality of Harry and Rene Stacey, Taunton ringers had no second choice this year. Three full days started on Friday, September 11th, with ringing on the light six at Ide followed by Moreton Hampstead with its very deep set tenor—the first few rounds being only on seven bells.

Lunch was taken at the Ring of Bells, Chagford, where the landlord's Indian temple bells were of interest. At the church we met Fred Langley, formerly of our area, but the ringing was not as we would have wished. We had to wait until after a funeral to ring at South Tawton: Holsworthy bells were a joy to ring and the 45 minutes passed all too quickly. Upon arrival at Stratton we rang in a half-muffled service touch and following dinner had a pleasant evening's ringing at Bridgerule.

## FIRE

Saturday was spent with fine bells. St. Stephen-by-Launceston made an easy start, the height of Linkinhorne did not upset the handling, and although St. Ives bells were viewed with mixed feelings Cambridge and Reverse Canterbury sounded quite well. There was some good striking at St. Germans, which was visited after lunch and almost on the Devon border we were joined by the Rev. G. Reeming at Calstock. An element of excitement arose when Nigel found his car surrounded by smoke and flames. He succeeded in reversing from a patch of burnt grass. The only damage was four blackened shoes and hairs on Mr. Young's legs singed.

Over the border at Tavistock we were welcomed by Ray and Margaret Bould and some good Stedman and Double Norwich were heard. Another fine dinner at Stratton was followed by a visit to Poughill and a good course of Cambridge.

After service ringing on Sunday across the road farewells were said to our host and his family. An enjoyable potter through Devon led us to Exmouth and Frank Mack. Ninety minutes of intense concentration followed and the end product was not quite 120 of Grandsire Doubles. Most of us finished with a great respect for Frank's achievement. Service ringing at Witheycombe Raleigh rounded off a thoroughly enjoyable week-end. Thanks are due to Nigel, Harry and Rene Stacey, and all who met and joined us and allowed us to ring.— D.L.

## Crantock, Cornwall, Ringers' Outing

Crantock ringers and friends held their annual outing on September 26th and were pleased to have with them Derek after his long spell in hospital.

Towers visited were Lanivet, Liskeard, Menheniot, St. Stephen-by-Saltash, Plympton St. Maurice and Plympton St. Mary. Our thanks to incumbents and tower captains and to R. A. S., who made the arrangements for us over the border. J. R.

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## HALF PEAL

**SUNDERLAND, CO. DURHAM.**—At the Parish Church, on Sept. 2nd, 2,528 Plain Bob Major: W. Davison 1, E. N. Harrison 2, R. A. Yeates 3, A. Craddock 4, J. Crowther 5, M. Maughan 6, K. Arthur (cond.) 7, G. S. Deas 8. Rung for the 25th anniversary of this church. Called round at half-way of a peal attempt due to electric light failure.

## LONG LENGTH

**OLD WARDEN, BEDS.**—On October 8th, 2,880 Minor (1,440 Cambridge Surprise, 1,440 Ken (T.B.)): D. R. Saunderson 1, R. Champion 2, T. R. Hatchett 3, G. E. Bonham 4, G. W. Massey 5, P. Mcmew (cond.) 6. A peal attempt called round.

**ABBOT'S LEIGH, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: M. Reed (first quarter) 1, R. Fitzgeorge 2, G. Coombs 3, N. Coombs (cond.) 4, M. Gregory 5, G. Moore 6.

**ANSTAY, LEICS.**—On Oct. 1st, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: T. Isom 1, A. Warnes (1st Cambridge) 2, K. Mason 3, W. Lacey (cond.) 4, R. Elkington 5, A. Disney 6, B. Brown 7, J. Cook 8. For Harvest Festival.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCs.**—At St. Peter's on September 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Trudy Seipel (first of Minor): Eileen Cross 2, Wendy E. Lee 3, D. Chadderton 4, J. Brannan 5, Christine Andrew (first as conductor) 6.

**BARTON-ST-DAVID, SOMERSET.**—On Sept. 30th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: A. Best 1, H. Turner 2, G. W. Rendle 3, Rev. C. J. B. Marshall 4, H. E. G. Jeanes 5, W. E. Turner (cond.) 6.

**BLABY, LEICESTERSHIRE.**—On October 4th, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury and Plain Bob): S. B. Thompson (10, first quarter) 1, R. Chapman 2, Miss R. J. Watkin 3, R. A. Cobley 4, B. C. Law (cond.) 5. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

**BLEWBURY, BERKS.**—On September 29th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: E. J. Grace 1, C. Corderoy 2, Mary Wells 3, H. W. Dunsden 4, C. J. Garlick 5, H. G. A'dridge 6, R. B. Blond (cond.) 7, L. F. Cox 8. For Evensong.

**BIGGIN HILL, KENT.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Penelope Kift (aged 12) 1, Mrs. B. Stocker 2, Mrs. B. Van-Asselt 3, R. C. Kift 4, H. M. Williamson (cond.) 5, J. T. Naden 6. First quarter 1, 4, and 6, and first by a local band. For Harvest Festival.

**BOSBURY, HEREFORDSHIRE.**—On Sept. 25th, 1,260 Doubles (10 methods): J. Lane 1, D. Hill 2, L. Walters 3, C. W. Nutt 4, J. Ward (cond.) 5, C. Birggs 6. With the best wishes of the band to Mr. Fred Foster, foreman of this tower, on his 90th birthday.

**BRAINTREE, ESSEX.**—On October 4th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. P. E. Lindsell 1, Miss J. Quilter 2, A. Wiffen 3, Mrs. J. M. Syder 4, C. Barker 5, S. Warne 6, A. Syder 7, R. J. Lindsell (cond.) 8. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

**BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.**—At St. Nicholas' Church, on October 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Martin (first quarter) 1, P. J. Came 2, V. Sheppard 3, Catherine M. Powell 4, J. C. Baldwin 5, M. J. Bew (cond.) 6, A. W. Bond 7, D. P. Snoswell 8. A compliment to John and Beryl Baldwin on the birth of their daughter (Judith Ann).

**BRUMHAM, BEDS.**—On Aug. 23rd, 1,260 Minor (Cambridge, Single Oxford and Plain Bob): M. J. Marriott 1, Miss K. A. Rivett 2, R. Chapman 3, D. A. Hammond 4, P. Inskip 5, F. W. Rivett (cond.) 6, R. Fowler (first quarter) 7.

**BURES, SUFFOLK.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Greta F. Spurgin (first quarter) 1, B. G. C. Clampin 2, Evelyn R. M. Cansdale 3, Janet M. Spurgin 4, Mrs. Leslie Mills 5, D. W. Brooks 6, L. D. Mills 7, D. L. Mills (cond.) 8. For Harvest Festival.

**CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,276 Grandsire Cinques: P. J. Rothera 1, P. G. Brown 2, Rosemarie Friith (first of Cinques) 3, M. J. Cowling 4, P. W. Saltmarsh 5, A. R. Groves 6, L. J. Clark (cond.) 7, R. J. Harrison 8, I. R. Pantion 9, J. L. Towler 10, P. J. Eves 11, J. Crawley 12. For Harvest Festival.

**CHILVERS COTON, WARWICKS.**—On October 4th, 1,263 Stedman Caters: A. H. Beamish (cond.) 1, J. E. Lloyd 2, Christine L. Mason 3, J. Draycott 4, G. A. Bell 5, Dorothy E. Beamish 6, J. Gibbons 7, H. Harris 8, J. A. L. Thompson 9, Judith A. Suffolk 10. For Harvest Festival.

**CHURCH LAWFORD, WARWICKS.**—On Sept. 27th, 1,440 Norwich Surprise Minor: A. K. Putnam 1, Mrs. P. Wright 2, A. R. Wright 3, Mrs. M. Pratt 4, R. D. Hart 5, G. Pratt (cond.) 6. First in method 2, 3, 4 and 5. For Harvest Festival.

## QUARTER PEALS

**CULCHESTER.**—At St. Peter's Church on Sept. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. V. Gant (cond.) 1, S. Penfold 2, Miss J. Peacock 3, J. Stephenson 4, J. Fowler 5, A. J. Salisbury 6, G. Cecil 7, D. Hilling 8.

**CLYST HONITON, DEVON.**—On Sept. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss A. Christie 1, J. Salway 2, Mrs. G. E. Retter 3, Miss V. Look 4, E. E. Retter 5, A. Holway 6, G. E. Retter (cond.) 7, E. R. Retter 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Miss Ethel Mary Ball, a devoted church worker, who was buried this day. Also on Sept. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss M. Retter 1, J. Salway 2, Miss V. Look 3, Mrs. G. E. Retter 4, E. E. Retter 5, A. Holway 6, G. E. Retter (cond.) 7, E. R. Retter 8. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

**CODDINGTON, HEREFORDS.**—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): G. Gwyne 1, D. Hill 2, L. Walters 3, J. Ward (cond.) 4, C. Biggs 5, A. Francis 6. For Harvest Festival.

**DANEHILL, SUSSEX.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Doubles: Lynn Taylor 1, Peggy Butcher (cond.) 2, J. Warner 3, A. Butcher 4, Betty Butler 5, W. Sale 6. First in the method by all. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

**DICKLEBURGH, NORFOLK.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: H. Dixon 1, C. Catchpole 2, J. Catchpole 3, G. Maynard 4, C. Orves 5, H. Fuller (cond.) 6. A wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. T. Roberts, Loddon.

**DUBLIN.**—At St. Patrick's Cathedral, on Sept. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss G. Grancy (King's Langley) 1, R. A. Vere Hodge 2, J. Robinson (Reddish) 3, C. J. Reede 4, R. B. Smith (Marple, cond.) 5, C. A. Lewis (Glasbury-on-Wye) 6, R. I. George 7, K. S. Ryan (first quarter) 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Joseph A. Atkinson, member of the Cathedral Society, died September 20th.

**EDENBRIDGE, KENT.**—On Sept. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. H. French 1, D. J. M. Cox 2, E. C. Leigh 3, H. W. Evans (first 'inside') 4, R. W. H. Hayes 5, E. J. Jenner 6, B. E. Jeffrey (cond.) 7, P. R. Everest 8. For the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels. Also on Oct. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. H. French 1, E. C. Leigh 2, D. J. M. Cox 3, G. S. E. Winter 4, E. J. Jenner 5, J. E. Warner 6, B. E. Jeffrey (cond.) 7, L. J. Fox 8. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

**EGREMONT, CUMBERLAND.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Eilbeck 1, Barbara M. Watson 2, G. Tembey 3, C. F. Gates 4, S. Richardson 5, H. Wilson (cond.) 6. For Harvest Festival.

**ELSTOW, BEDS.**—On Sept. 27th, 1,320 Woodbine T.B.: G. Seth 1, Miss M. F. Pettit 2, Miss S. M. Law 3, M. J. Marriott 4, R. H. French 5, R. F. Law (cond.) 6. For Harvest Festival.

**FARNBOROUGH, WARWICKS.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Clare F. Dolphin (first of Minor) 1, G. W. Randall 2, E. Holdsworth 3, J. Susan Smith 4, J. L. Garner-Hayward 5, E. J. Gower (cond.) 6. A farewell to Canon H. A. Hayden, retiring after two years as Vicar, by members of the band of St. Nicholas', Warwick, where Canon Hayden spent 38 years of his ministry.

**FINCHLEY, MIDDLEX.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Miss D. Robotham 1, Mrs. E. Richardson 2, F. Barker 3, A. Richardson 4, C. Burgess 5, B. Watson 6, B. Willis (cond.) 7, L. Tubbs 8. First in method 1 and 2. For Harvest Festival.

**GURING, OXON.**—On Oct. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Birt 1, M. Napper 2, N. Tull 3, D. Haines 4, S. Franklin 5, L. G. Haines 6, W. Irving (cond.) 7, J. Hiscock 8. A farewell to S. Franklin, on leaving for London University.

**HASLINGFIELD, CAMBS.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: T. Barnard (first quarter) 1, G. Barnard 2, W. J. Ridgman (cond.) 3, B. Horrell 4, A. E. Ling 5. For Harvest Festival.

**HERSHAM, SURREY.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss D. Colcombe 1, Mrs. G. Chinnery 2, Miss G. Mooring 3, J. Bailey 4, H. Colcombe 5, C. Chinnery 6, J. King (cond.) 7, C. Webb 8. For Harvest Festival.

**HEVER, KENT.**—On Sept. 26th, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): R. J. Everest (first quarter) 1, G. S. E. Winter 2, D. J. M. Cox 3, R. W. H. Hayes 4, B. E. Jeffrey (cond.) 5, H. W. Evans (first away from treble) 6.

**HINTLESHAM, SUFFOLK.**—On Oct. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: F. Mussett 1, Mrs. E. J. Lockwood 2, K. Whitell 3, G. R. Goodship 4, P. May 5, R. W. Steward (cond.) 6. A wedding compliment to June Wond and Major J. G. Parham, M.B.E., R.H.A.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,320 Doubles (three methods): G. Marsh 1, R. D. Marsh 2, S. J. Dowse 3, R. Blackshaw (cond.) 4, M. W. Harrison 5. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

**HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.**—On Sept. 27th, 1,280 Treble Bob (Ilkeston Variation): Miss J. Peacock 1, S. Penfold 2, C. E. Wright 3, J. Stephenson 4, J. Fowler 5, D. Hilling 6, A. J. Salisbury 7, F. V. Gant (cond.) 8. For Matins.

**HOUGHTON REGIS, BEDS.**—On September 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Crew 1, J. L. Laughton 2, A. G. Stripp 3, R. Stripp 4, P. Williams 5, I. R. Knox (cond.) 6.

**HOWDEN, YORKS.**—On September 30th, 1,280 Double Norwich C.B. Major: D. S. Johnson 1, F. C. Hobson 2, R. D. Gibson 3, K. Goldthorpe 4, J. J. Booth 5, C. C. Brown 6, A. B. Cooper 7, R. Ducker (cond.) 8. A farewell to F. C. Hobson on leaving for Cambridge University.

**HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.**—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Burton (first attempt) 1, Wendy Hussey 2, Beryl Smith 3, Joyce Burton (cond.) 4, D. Cornwall 5, A. Newton 6, R. Biggs 7, R. Newton 8. Rung for Harvest Festival.

**HUNTINGTON, YORKS.**—On October 4th, 1,259 Doubles (3 methods): Jennifer Pearce 1, D. Pearson 2, C. J. Groome 3, Susan E. Thompson 4, A. C. Banton (cond.) 5. Rung for Harvest Festival.

**HUTTON, ESSEX.**—On September 26th, 1,260 Doubles (All Saints and Plain Bob): P. R. Friend (first as cond.) 1, C. E. Hill 2, J. J. Waller 3, W. T. Hill 4, W. Wright 5.

**IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.**—On Oct. 3rd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mary Bloxam 1, A. Gibbs 2, Shelagh Collins 3, J. G. Mitchell 4, F. E. Coales 5, P. M. Fleckney 6, M. A. Coleman (cond.) 7, B. S. Cope 8. First of Stedman 1, 4, 5.

**KINGSBURY EPISCOPI, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. T. Hebden 1, M. G. Dodson 2, G. Jones (first of Minor 'inside') 3, J. Hall 4, R. W. Rice 5, W. S. Rice (cond.) 6, Rung by the St. Andrew's, Banwell, band to celebrate the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. R. Gill.

**KING'S LYNN, NORFOLK.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: W. Bryan 1, S. Elsey 2, W. Cousins 3, R. Newson 4, L. Houghton 5, E. Mastin (cond.) 6, C. Cousins 7, N. Harding 8.

**KINGSTON-UPON-THAMES, SURREY.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,440 Yorkshire Surprise Royal: Caroline V. Carpenter 1, Rosamund M. Rawlings 2, Judith M. Geiringer 3, Deborah Hopkins 4, P. A. Brand 5, R. N. Harris 6, D. M. Wilkins 7, K. Newman 8, A. Bishop 9, W. H. Jackson (cond.) 10.

**KINGSWINFORD, STAFFS.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Minor: A. E. Morgan 1, John Caddick 2, R. A. Peakman 3, F. E. Jakes 4, C. F. Jakes 5, Dr. D. N. Layton (cond.) 6. First of Oxford Bob Minor by all the band. For dedication Evensong.

**LEYLAND, LANCs.**—At St. James', Moss Side, on Sept. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Nelson 1, H. Hunter 2, L. Walmsley 3, Margaret Fish (first quarter) 4, J. Nixon (cond.) 5, J. Sumner 6. For the birth on Sept. 1st of a son to Mr. and Mrs. S. Walmsley. Also on October 4th, 1,260 Minor (Spliced Kent and Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob): J. Nelson 1, L. Walmsley 2, D. Marsden 3, G. Mee 4, J. Nixon (cond.) 5, J. Sumner 6. For the silver wedding anniversary of the Vicar and Mrs. J. E. Thorner.

**LLANDAFF, GLAM.**—At the Cathedral, on Oct. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Susan Harber (first attempt) 1, D. S. Bishop 2, Penelope Welch 3, N. W. H. Simon (cond.) 4, M. Pilgrim 5, A. W. Smith 6, S. Fenwick 7, G. Stickland 8. A farewell to the conductor who is going to Bristol University.

**LITTLE MISSENDEN, BUCKS.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Stephen Cass (first quarter) 1, F. Onions 2, Diane Presdee 3, Ann Cass 4, R. Snack (cond.) 5, H. Baldwin 6. For Harvest Festival service and to mark the retirement of Mr. G. Pearce, organist for the past 26 years.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes', on September 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: D. J. K. Paul 1, W. Parrott 2, Sally Parrott 3, Adrienne Gibson 4, Sylvia Marsh 5, R. E. Fentiman 6, D. J. F. Oakshott 7, J. C. Davidge 8, W. J. Munton 9, D. J. Herschell (first of Royal 'inside' and as cond.) 10. First on ten 1, 3, 6, 9. First Royal 2, 7, 8. Rung by Epson ringers for Evensong, and as ordination compliments to Rev. N. D. J. Webb (Priest) and Rev. A. B. Collins (Deacon). Also on Sept. 27th, 1,260 Spliced Stedman and Grandsire Triples: C. Wright 1, F. V. Gant (cond.) 2, M. Austin 3, R. Chapman 4, H. D. Hewitt 5, P. Chapman 6, D. Eliadon 7, J. McDonald 8. For Evensong.

**LUPPITT, DEVON.**—On September 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Sage (first attempt) 1, T. J. Thorne 2, Miss M. Sage (first 'inside') 3, F. Sage 4, C. Churchill 5, E. Broom (first attempt as cond.) 6.



**E. M. ATKINS****AN APPRECIATION**

With the passing of E. M. Atkins we have lost a ringer who for well over 50 years rendered valuable and devoted service to the Exercise. Although an excellent method ringer and a composer and conductor of exceptional ability, he was one who always held that our first duty was to the Church, and for most of his life he was the driving force behind a service band, for many years at St. Augustine's, Kilburn, and latterly at Teignmouth. Possessing almost unlimited patience and being naturally kindly and tolerant, he taught many of both sexes to ring, and no matter how many 'gave up' was always ready to welcome fresh recruits.

He will, of course, be sadly missed by the Devonshire Guild, for whom he was general secretary for several years, but probably his memory will live longest with the Cambridge University Guild, of which he was an outstanding member ever since he came up to St. Catherine's in 1909. From that time onwards he played a great part in its development and progress, especially in the years immediately preceding and succeeding the 1914-1918 war. He was Master from 1910-1912, calling his first Guild peal in February, 1911 (5,024 Plain Bob Major on handbells). For many years handbell ringing formed the major part of the Guild's activities and 'E. M.' rapidly became an expert, especially in Plain Bob, Treble Bob and Double Norwich, while in 1912 he conducted the first peal of Little Bob Royal ever rung.

After the war, in which he served with the Royal Engineers, he became a civil servant, working at the Patents Office in Holborn, and in the early 1920's paid many visits to Cambridge to help the residents through many peals. Possibly his most useful contribution has been his peal of 5,040 Plain Bob Major, known as 'Taapaataapaa,' a simple composition based on a familiar four-course block which has done duty for many a 'first peal on handbells.' From 1927 to 1953 he represented the Guild on the Central Council, having previously served a term for the Cen-

tral Northern Association. Had he so desired he would have continued to hold that office, but he preferred to let someone else have a turn. In all he took part in 155 Guild peals, several of them 'landmarks' in its history, conducting 73.

Those who maintain contact with the C.U.G.C.R. after leaving the University do so mainly through the annual 'Week' and in this connection 'E. M.' certainly did his full share. Not only was he a regular participant but on three occasions he was the organiser—in 1921 and 1927, with the centre at Isham, where his father was Rector, and in 1953 at Newton Abbot. Last, but by no means least, the warm welcome and hospitality which was always to be found with him and Mrs. Atkins will not quickly be forgotten.

F. E. H.

**MISS C. E. BANKS**

Miss Charlotte Emma Banks, of Gedney Dyke, Spalding, Lincs, who died on September 27th, at the age of 90 years, was the first lady to join the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, the first to ring a peal for the Guild and a member of the Ladies' Guild since 1929. In 1911, at Gedney, she rang the treble to a peal of Grandsire Doubles conducted by Mr. J. B. Hallifax, who had taught her to ring at the neighbouring tower at Fleet in 1909.

On the evening of October 8th the Gedney ringers, accompanied by Mr. Hallifax, rang touches of Grandsire Doubles, half-muffled, as a token of respect to one who throughout a very active public life had worked hard for her church and its bells. It was largely through the effort of Miss Banks that a treble was added to the bells of Gedney Church.

B. B. T.

**SALISBURY, SOUTHERN RHODESIA.**—At the Cathedral, on October 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: K. Cross 1, Monica M. Blagrove 2, Frances Pellatt 3, C. Stevenson 4, J. R. Milford 5, F. T. Blagrove (cond.) 6. First of Minor 1, 3 and first of Minor in Central Africa. Rung for the Cathedral Festival, and as a welcome to Monica and F. T. Blagrove.

**MR. JOSEPH A. ATKINSON**

From Dublin we regretfully learn of the passing of Mr. Joseph A. Atkinson on September 20th. Mr. Atkinson was taken ill whilst travelling to England on holiday last August and, returning home, underwent an operation on September 18th. Some ringers visiting him on September 20th found him in good spirits but, alas, he died later that afternoon.

Born in the precincts at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Joe came into the belfry as a 'bare-kneed boy': throughout his life he remained a boy at heart—kind, irrepressible and generous.

He learned to ring under Gabriel Lindoff in the company of those who founded the tradition of change ringing at St. Patrick's and he maintained with vigour the standard which they had established; his striking was precise, his change ringing was exact. His forte was a heavy bell. In earlier years he had rung 11 peals, all round the back end. However, during his 50 years' ringing it was on service ringing that he placed emphasis.

Mr. Atkinson had varied interests—the British Legion, the Conservative Club (of which he was a trustee), Freemasonry (he being a past master of his Lodge and a past officer of Royal Arch). A keen swimmer, he bathed at the exclusive 'Fortyfoot', a 'men only' cove near Dublin. His untimely death caused a profound shock to his friends but his name will always be associated with change ringing at St. Patrick's, where his loss is inestimable.

The Cathedral bells were rung half-muffled for the burial service, the interment taking place at Dean's Grange. The attendance included Mr. and Miss Dukes, representing the Irish Association.

**MR. W. SMITH**

The bells at Long Clawson, the Leicestershire village where he was born, were rung half-muffled on October 5th by members of the Melton District, to the memory of Mr. William Smith, of Pymble, Sydney, N.S.W. His passing was recorded in our last issue.

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A peal was rung at St. Michael's, Cornhill, on October 3rd by members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths and Ancient Society of College Youths as a compliment to Mr. W. R. Winterton, former treasurer of the Cumberlands, during his year as Master of the Worshipful Company of Drapers. The Drapers Company are the patrons of the living of St. Michael's. This year is the 600th anniversary of the granting of their first Royal Charter.

Ashford (Kent) bells will be silent from the New Year until about October.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. H. S. Morley, of Selby, Yorks, is in hospital. Friends wish him a speedy recovery.

The peal of Dorchester (page 672) for the Sussex County Association on August 10th was rung at Easebourne, and not Eastbourne as was inadvertently published.

The peal of Spliced Surprise Minor rung at Little Aston on September 21st (see page 686) was the first peal of Surprise Minor for the Archdeaconry of Stafford Society and the first by the local band.

With the peal at Bradford Cathedral on October 3rd, Barry Schofield has now 'circled the tower' to peals. At St. Michael's, Ashton, on September 17th, Frederick Shallcross completed peals on all 13 bells in the tower.

Olympic Doubles has made its appearance. It was first rung at Handsworth on October 11th. The method is St. Martin's with a Plain Bob bob and an Old single (see page 530).

Ringers at Caerphilly will be interested to read that Mr. C. R. P. Broughton scored his first quarter peal on October 4th at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, when he rang with the University of Wales Society.

Of note in connection with the peal at King's Norton, the first on the bells for nine years, is that this year is the 200th anniversary of the casting of the seventh and tenor. They have not been touched by a bell hanger. R.K.M. writes, 'Even St. George's, Bristol, go well compared with these. Mr. Cannon and Squire Edwards take note!'

## BELFRY GOSSIP

Five peals of Surprise Major in five different methods with five different conductors were rung by the same band on Saturday, October 10th, at the Bell Foundry Campanile, Loughborough. The total ringing time was 11 hours 59 minutes. There were variations in time from 2 hours 16 minutes for 5,088 Yorkshire to 2 hours 35 minutes for 5,088 London.

The peal rung at Potterspur, Northants, was also rung to the memory of Mr. E. M. Atkins, of Teignmouth.

St. Swithun's bells, Worcester, will not be available on the occasion of the Worcester-shire and Districts Association's annual dinner at Worcester on October 24th, because of the arranging of a special service.

On Sunday, September 27th, at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, Miss Gillian Graney, Master of the University of Wales Society, rang the treble. Ringing beside her, on the second, was Mr. R. Anthony Vere Hodge, Master of the Dublin University Guild.

The peal at Isleworth on October 7th marked the 30th anniversary of Mr. O. L. Rogers' first peal, and the 20th anniversary of Mr. C. T. Richards' first. Mr. Harold Rogers kindly stood out to enable Mr. Wilson, who was in the 1934 peal, to call this one.

'Bill' Brotherton, who rang his first peal at Shifnal, Salop, on October 3rd has accomplished much during his first year of ringing. He can also ring Double Norwich C.B. Major and Stedman Caters. The peal was also the first time for 25 years that Roger Hawksworth and Cyril Taberner had rung a peal together.

A Sunday morning quarter peal attempt at Portishead on October 4th came to an abrupt ending after a quarter of an hour by one of the band setting his bell and hastening out of the ringing chamber. He happened to be the chief of the fire brigade and had heard the siren above the sound of the bells. Mr. E. Skipsey, who was conducting, had motored 20 miles to Portishead for the purpose.

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## TOWER BELL PEALS

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.  
TAWSTOCK, Devon.—At the Church of St. Peter,  
On Tues., Sept. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,  
**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Parker's 12-part	Tenor 16½ cwt.
Frederick Sangwin .. .. Treble	John Phillips .. .. 5
William Hibbert .. .. 2	Frederick A. H. Wilkins .. 6
Reginald G. Pearce .. .. 3	Brian R. White .. .. 7
Derek Jewell .. .. 4	Francis A. White .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Brian R. White.

CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION.  
KESWICK, Cumberland.—At the Church of St. Kentigern,  
Crosthwaite.

On Fri., Sept. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

J. J. Parker's Twelve-part (seventh observation).

Tenor 14 cwt, 2 qr, 8 lb. in F.

*Katherine M. Guy .. .. Treble	†Colin H. Cook .. .. 5
Hilary A. Swallow .. .. 2	D. Paul Smith .. .. 6
†Raymond J. Talbot .. .. 3	Ian V. J. Smith .. .. 7
*Tony Lewis .. .. 4	David J. M. Cox .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Ian V. J. Smith.

\* First peal of Grandsire. † First of Triples. ‡ 25th peal. First of Grandsire Triples as conductor.

Rung by members of The St. Katherine's Society as a 27th wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. J. W. Brownrigg; also as a 20th birthday compliment to Hilary Swallow.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

GODMANCHESTER, Cambs.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 19 cwt, 2 qr, 19 lb.

Michael Dyer .. .. Treble	*Paul Wells .. .. 5
Christopher Bell .. .. 2	Harold S. Peacock .. .. 6
Albert J. Davey .. .. 3	Frank R. Baker .. .. 7
George E. Bonham .. .. 4	John H. Bluff .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pitstow

Conducted by John H. Bluff.

\* First peal of Major. † Rung for Harvest Thanksgiving.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

BISHOP'S STORTFORD, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 16 cwt, 3 qr, 15 lb.

Joe E. G. Roast .. .. Treble	Patrick W. Saltmarsh .. 6
Philip J. Rothera .. .. 2	†Michael J. Hallett .. .. 7
*Roy D. Tomlin .. .. 3	†Andrew J. Salisbury .. 8
†James L. Towler .. .. 4	John Armstrong .. .. 9
Frank V. Gant .. .. 5	Dennis A. S. Symonds .. Tenor

Composed by W. E. Pye

Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.

\* First peal of Royal. † 100th peal. ‡ First of Cambridge Royal.

GREAT HOLLAND, Essex.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5056 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In eight methods comprising 768 London and Rutland, 640 Bristol and 576 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire with 142 changes of method.

Tenor 15 cwt, 10 lb. in F sharp.

Joe E. G. Roast .. .. Treble	*Philip J. Rothera .. .. 5
*Claire Dillamore .. .. 2	*Ian R. Panton .. .. 6
Andrew S. Hudson .. .. 3	Dennis A. S. Symonds .. 7
Peter J. Eves .. .. 4	*James L. Towler .. .. Tenor

Composed by Norman Smith.

Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.

\* First peal of 8-spiced Surprise Major.

COLCHESTER, Essex.—At the Church of All Saints, Shrub End.

On Thurs., Oct. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven 720's called differently

Lesley Ward .. .. Treble	Neil V. Avis .. .. 4
Peter G. Pitt .. .. 2	Frank B. Lufkin .. .. 5
Stephen D. Humphrey .. 3	*Brian J. Vaughan .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.

\* First peal 'inside.'

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CLIFTON, Bristol.—At the Church of Emmanuel.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt, 15 lb. in F.

Philip M. J. Gray .. .. Treble	†Michael H. Gregory .. 5
William Abraham .. .. 2	Edward J. Chivers .. .. 6
Ronald G. Beck .. .. 3	D. John Hunt .. .. 7
*William F. Bonner .. .. 4	Antony W. T. Cleaver .. Tenor

Composed by George Lewis.

Conducted by Antony W. T. Cleaver.

\* First peal 'inside.' † First of Major.

A compliment to Mr. Hedley S. Gregory, tower master of Emmanuel Church, on the occasion of his 80th birthday.

NORTON, Gloucestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5280 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In 6 methods, comprising 960 London, 928 Watford, 896 Bristol, and 832 each of Cambridge, Superlative and Pudsey with 127 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.

Tenor 10 cwt, 3 qr, 14 lb.

*Ivor Goulter .. .. Treble	Don C. Exell .. .. 5
††Rev. Roger Keeley .. 2	Victor Griffin .. .. 6
††Cyril A. Wratten .. .. 3	*Anthony R. Peake .. .. 7
Bruce Wakefield .. .. 4	Brian Bladon .. .. Tenor

Composed by Albert J. Pitman.

Conducted by Anthony R. Peake.

\* 25th peal together. † First of Major in six methods. ‡ 150th peal. § 50th peal. The conductor's 50th peal of Surprise Major and also 50th of Surprise as conductor.

A compliment to D. John Hunt and Gillian M. Hussey on their engagement.

SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Michael.  
On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Parker's 12-part.	Tenor 12 cwt, 3 lb.
*Robert Parker .. .. Treble	†Francis J. White .. .. 5
†Mrs. D. Crocker .. .. 2	Sydney G. Smith .. .. 6
Marjorie Legg .. .. 3	George Prescott .. .. 7
†Ronald Ballam .. .. 4	William A. Prescott .. Tenor

Conducted by George Prescott.

\* First peal attempt. † First of Triples. ‡ First of Triples 'inside.' Rung as a birthday compliment to Alan Lee, grandson of F. J. White.

ASHBRITTLE, Somerset.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents.	Tenor 8 cwt, 21 lb.
*Derek Lee .. .. Treble	†Philip Popplestone .. 4
Arthur H. Reed .. .. 2	†Royston Shepherd .. .. 5
James E. Brewer .. .. 3	Nigel J. Maggs .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Nigel J. Maggs.

\* First peal. † First of Minor.

Rung to welcome Paula Louise, a daughter for Patricia and Derek Lee.

KINGSTON SEYMOUR, Somerset.—At the Church of All Saints.  
On Wed., Oct. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

42 six-scores (10 callings).	Tenor 17 cwt, 7 lb.
*Peter J. England .. .. Treble	†Ray Luxton .. .. 4
Sydney G. Smith .. .. 2	†Walter Neath .. .. 5
George Prescott .. .. 3	†Thomas Baker .. .. Tenor

Conducted by G. Prescott.

\* First peal. † First peal at first attempt.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss M. Hurd and Cecil Norton, ringers at the above tower.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BEDFORD.—At the Church of St. Paul.

On Sun., Sept. 27, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 28 cwt, 3 qr, 6 lb. in D.	
Patricia Diserens .. .. Treble	Barrie Hendry .. .. 6
Robert C. Kippin .. .. 2	James R. Taylor .. .. 7
Jennifer M. Cook .. .. 3	Noel J. Diserens .. .. 8
Jennifer M. Taylor .. .. 4	Peter Border .. .. 9
Ronald F. Diserens .. .. 5	Stephen Ivin .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Stephen Ivin.

First peal of London Surprise Royal on the bells.

## THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

CHURCH LAWFORD, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.  
On Fri., Oct. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Tenor 7 cwt, 3 qrs, 5 lb.	
*Neil Stowe .. .. Treble	George P. Hammond .. 4
†Andrew K. Putnam .. 2	Raymond D. Hart .. .. 5
Pamela Wright .. .. 3	Arthur R. Wright .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Arthur R. Wright.

\* First peal. † First peal 'inside.'

Rung as a 71st birthday compliment to Mr. A. Day.



## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

EARDISLEY, Herefordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.  
On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 42 methods being one extent each of—Winchendon Place, St. Miles, St. John, S. Nicholas, St. Giles, Lapley, St. Simon, St. Alban, Eynsham, St. Martin, St. Paul, St. Leonard, Grandshire, Newborough, Deadworth, Primrose, Buttercup, Violet, Wychbold, Honeysuckle, Wallflower, Cowslip, April Day, Old, Seighford, Hudibras, Kennington, Plain Bob, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, St. Columba, Campion, Rev. Canterbury, Southrepps, Rev. St. Bartholomew, Northrepps, Fortune, St. Augustine, All Saints, Rushall, Marchington, St. Hilda.

Tenor 8 cwt, 1 qr, 27 lb.

*Lyndon H. Hatfield .. Treble	John W. Hope .. .. 4
*Margaret J. Hope .. .. 2	*Colin A. Lewis .. .. 5
Robert A. Hatcher .. .. 3	*Harry F. Hatfield .. .. Tenor

Conducted by John W. Hope.

\* First peal in 42 methods. † First peal.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, Kent.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 HINTON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt, 3 qr, 2 lb. in F sharp.

Judith M. Corby .. .. Treble	Andrew J. Corby .. .. 5
Olive D. Tester .. .. 2	Edward J. Jenner .. .. 6
Ann Jenner .. .. 3	Colin A. Tester .. .. 7
Thomas E. Sone .. .. 4	Stanley Jenner .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Stanley Jenner.

First peal in the method by all the band.

A birthday compliment to Mrs. Freda M. Bishop, daughter of Mrs. E. M. Mitchell.

BOUGHTON MONCHELSEA, Kent.—At the Church of St. Peter.  
On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPICED SURPRISE MINOR

In 19 methods: (1) Lincoln and Coldstream, (2) Carlisle, Chester and Munden, (3) Cuneastle, London, Wells and Dearn Valley, (4) Hexham and Berwick, (5) Rossendale and Stamford, (6) Durham, Beverley, Surfleet and York, (7) Ipswich and Cambridge; with 131 changes of method.

John Faircloth .. .. Treble	Ian H. Oram .. .. 4
*Mary S. Taylor .. .. 2	Thomas Cullingworth .. 5
Ralph Bird .. .. 3	Andrew M. Macve .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Ian H. Oram.

\* Most methods to a peal.

STOCKBURY, Kent.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 21 six-scores each of Grandshire and Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt, Kenneth B. Williamson .. Treble \*Maurice F. H. Lacey .. 3

Edward C. Barton .. .. 2 | George A. Naylor .. .. 4

† Brian E. Jemmett .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Geo. A. Naylor.

\* First peal 'inside.' † First of Doubles.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. Terry Brown and Miss Doris Maddocks. Also a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. M. F. H. Lacey (Oct. 10th).

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Thurs., Sept. 17, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPICED SURPRISE MAXIMUS

In 2 methods, being 4992 Yorkshire and 48 Belgrave, with one change of method. Tenor 25 cwt, 81 lb. in D.

John Robinson .. .. Treble	Derek F. Yates .. .. 7
Allan Sharples .. .. 2	Derek A. Ashton .. .. 8
Frederick Shallcross .. 3	Derek Butterworth .. 9
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. 4	John H. Fielden .. .. 10
Frank Osbaldiston .. .. 5	Neil Bennett .. .. 11
Basil Jones .. .. 6	Robert B. Smith .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Frederick Shallcross.

In memoriam Derek Ogden, September 17th, 1963.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Peter.  
On Wed., Sept. 9, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 12 methods, comprising 960 of each of London and Rutland, and 320 each of, Bristol, Cambridge, Cray, Eastcote, Lincolnshire, New Gloucester, Pudsey, Superlative, Wembley and Yorkshire, with 139 changes of method. Tenor 18 cwt, 95 lb. in E.

Christine Andrew .. Treble	*John Robinson .. .. 5
*Tudor P. Edwards .. .. 2	*Derek A. Ashton .. .. 6
Neil Bennett .. .. 3	*Derek Butterworth .. 7
John H. Fielden .. .. 4	Frederick Shallcross .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman. Conducted by Neil Bennett.

\* First peal of Spiced Surprise Major in 12 methods.

WHITTINGTON-IN-LONSDALE, Lancs.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Nicholas M. Newby .. Treble	Tenor 13 cwt, 1 qr, 24 lb. in G.
Stanley Anderton .. .. 2	Nicholas M. Newby, jun. 4
James E. Dickinson .. 3	Alan Capstick .. .. 5
	Thomas F. Metcalfe .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Thomas F. Metcalfe.

Rung for the Harvest and Dedication Festivals.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

LEICESTER.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Martin.

On Mon., Oct. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Five course block, repeated.

Sandra E. Chesterton .. Treble	Tenor 25 cwt.
*Patricia A. Morris .. .. 2	A. James Poynor .. .. 7
P. J. Staniforth .. .. 3	Brian S. Chapman .. .. 8
Herrick B. Bowley .. .. 4	Alan E. Hartley .. .. 9
Jack P. Kesterton .. .. 5	E. Alan Jacques .. .. 10
† Shirley Burton .. .. 6	Russell S. Morris .. .. 11
Umpire John A. Acres.	William J. Root .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Herrick B. Bowley.

\* First peal on 12 bells. † 100th peal of Surprise Maximus.

Congratulations and best wishes to John M. Jelley and Monica M. Moore who were married on Oct. 3, 1964, at St. Mark's, Wood Green, London.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.

On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

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

R. Kingsley Mason .. Treble	Alan E. Hartley .. .. 5
A. James Poynor .. .. 2	*Dan S. Pont .. .. 6
Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. 3	Alfred E. Rushton .. .. 7
Ronald J. Sharp .. .. 4	Stephen Ivins .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Stephen Ivins.

\* First peal in the method.

[Correction to Page 702.]

KINGS NORTON-BY-GAULBY, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. in E flat.

Malcolm E. Wade .. Treble	Alan E. Hartley .. .. 5
Geoffrey M. Brewin .. .. 2	Brian S. Chapman .. .. 6
Roland H. Cook .. .. 3	A. Maxwell Lindsey .. .. 7
Garry Wm. Mason .. .. 4	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. Middleton. Conducted by Roland H. Cook.

A wedding compliment to Mr. John M. Jelley and Miss Monica M. Moore, who were married at St. Mark's, Wood Green, Middlesex.

HIGHAM-ON-THE-HILL, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Thurs., Oct. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Seven 720's.

K. Paul Gilliver .. Treble	Tenor 10 cwt, 3 qr, 8 lb. in G.
*Valerie Watts .. .. 2	*Ivan S. Merry .. .. 4
Mrs. Jill Belcher .. .. 3	Michael E. Brown .. .. 5
	John Watkins .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Michael E. Brown.

\* First peal of Surprise 'inside.' K. P. Gilliver has now 'circled' this his home tower to peals.

A farewell to the treble ringer who is leaving for Portsmouth Technical College.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

SOUTH ANSTON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 QUARRINGTON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt, 1 qr, 5 lb. in G.

Joyce M. Gurnhill .. Treble	George H. Randles .. .. 5
Anne E. Bateson .. .. 2	Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. 6
Norah M. Randles .. .. 3	Peter A. Sharp .. .. 7
Geoffrey Paul .. .. 4	Jack L. Millhouse .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. Ketteringham. Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

The first peal in this method H and M 3858.

BASSINGHAM, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Wed., Sept. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

*Christopher J. Sharp .. Treble	Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.
Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. 2	W. Stanley Smith .. .. 4
Joyce M. Gurnhill .. .. 3	William R. Parker .. .. 5
	Peter A. Sharp .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Peter A. Sharp

\* First peal attempt.

Rung for Michaelmas.

## QUARRINGTON SURPRISE MAJOR

38 x 14 x 1258 x 38 x 12 x 38 x 34 x 18.

Seconds place i.e. 4th place Bob i.e. 17856342.



**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
SUTTERTON, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Mary the Blessed Virgin.

*On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 ST. CLEMENT'S COLLEGE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in F.

*J. Martin Thorley .. .. Treble	Derek J. Jones .. .. 5
Roger D. Bailey .. .. 2	Keith R. Davey .. .. 6
*Frank Taylor .. .. 3	†David R. Baxter .. .. 7
George R. G. Butler .. .. 4	Alan G. Payne .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Roger D. Bailey.

\* 50th peal together. † First of Major. First peal in the method by all except the treble ringer. The conductor's 100th peal.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION & N. SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.**

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

*On Wed., Oct. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5057 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Tenor 16½ cwt.

David P. Hilling .. .. Treble	Christopher F. Mew .. .. 6
Peter N. Felton .. .. 2	William Birmingham .. .. 7
Patricia Rogers .. .. 3	Wilfrid G. Wilson .. .. 8
Mrs. Olive L. Rogers .. .. 4	Charles T. Richards .. .. 9
Michael Hatchett .. .. 5	*Harold R. Blagdon .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. C. Shepherd.

Conducted by Wilfrid G. Wilson.

\* First peal.

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.**

OVERSEALE, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Matthew.

*On Tues., Oct. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5120 OVERSEALE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in A flat.

*Arthur E. Rowley .. .. Treble	H. George Hart .. .. 5
*Brian G. Warwick .. .. 2	*Roland Beniston .. .. 6
Mrs. H. G. Hart .. .. 3	†Joseph W. Cotton .. .. 7
†Richard J. Clifton .. .. 4	Derek P. Jones .. .. Tenor

Composed by Ernest W. Tipler.

Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal in the method 'inside.' ‡ 1,000th peal.

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

NORTH LOPHAM, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

*On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 PAINSWICK COLLEGE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. in F sharp

William Clover .. .. Treble	Roy Duesbury .. .. 5
Martin Cubitt .. .. 2	Thomas E. Spight .. .. 6
Frank C. J. Arnold .. .. 3	Leslie F. Bailey .. .. 7
Henry Tooke .. .. 4	Peter M. Adcock .. .. Tenor

Composed by F. Nolan Golden.

Conducted by Leslie F. Bailey.

First peal in the method on the bells and by all the band except the ringer of the 4th.

Rung as a welcome to Sonia Jane, born September 27th, 1964, a daughter for Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Bailey of Hethersett.

**CASTLE ACRE, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. James.**

*On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being one extent each of: Double Court, Cambridge, Double Oxford, Oxford T.B., St. Clements, Kent T.B., and Plain Bob.

Tenor 10 cwt.

Edward Howes .. .. Treble	†Kevin S. Hohl .. .. 4
Sidney Marshall .. .. 2	Timothy G. Pett .. .. 5
*Roy E. Cullington .. .. 3	George P. Adams .. .. Tenor

Conducted by George P. Adams.

\* First in seven methods. † 75th peal.

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

HIGH WYCOMBE, Buckinghamshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

*On Fri., Oct. 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lb. in G sharp.

John Young .. .. Treble	Sydney M. Bailey .. .. 5
*Robert H. Newton .. .. 2	†Geoffrey Harrison .. .. 6
Joyce I. Barton .. .. 3	†Derek Francis .. .. 7
David A. Cornwall .. .. 4	Dennis Knox .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pitstow.

Conducted by Dennis Knox.

\* First peal of Surprise. † 50th peal. ‡ First in the method. First peal on the light eight.

**EAST HAGBOURNE, Berks.—At the Church of St. Andrew.**

*On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Holt's Ten Part.	Tenor 21½ cwt.
Alfred H. Webb .. .. Treble	Clifford J. Garlick .. .. 5
Michael Bishop .. .. 2	George W. Bishop .. .. 6
*Pamela E. Powell .. .. 3	John H. Napper .. .. 7
†Charlotte A. Bennett .. .. 4	Leonard F. Cox .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Michael Bishop.

\* First peal † First of Grandsire.

**NORTHLEIGH, Oxon.—At the Church of St. Mary.**

*On Mon., Oct. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven different extents.

*James F. List .. .. Treble	Peter Pearce .. .. 4
†Frederick W. Soden .. .. 2	D. Kay Adkins .. .. 5
†Peter G. Holden .. .. 3	†Bertram J. Coggins .. .. Tenor

Conducted by D. Kay Adkins.

\* First peal of Surprise. † First of Cambridge Minor.

The first peal of Surprise on the bells.

Rung for the Harvest Festival.

**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

WICKEN, Northants.—At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist.

*On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.

James Linnell .. .. Treble	Barry Saunders .. .. 5
George E. Green .. .. 2	Charles E. Truman .. .. 6
William J. Chester .. .. 3	George W. Holland .. .. 7
Raymond Vickers .. .. 4	William A. Yates .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. Washbrook.

Conducted by George E. Green.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Rev. H. P. Hoskin (Rector) and Miss Helen Falconer, whose marriage took place at Wicken on September 28th.

**POTTERS PURY, Northants.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.**

*On Thurs., Sept. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents viz.:—(1), (2), (3), Cambridge Surprise, (4), (5), St. Clement's and (6), (7), Plain Bob.

Roger W. Smith .. .. Treble	Tenor 13 cwt. 4 lb. in E.
Shirley Ruddlesden .. .. 2	Kenneth D. Perkins .. .. 4
David Taylor .. .. 3	Stanley M. Ruddlesden .. .. 5
	Barrie Hendry .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Barrie Hendry.

Rung to welcome the Rev. J. Nicholas Chubb, M.A., to the parish of Potterspury.

**EDITH WESTON, Rutland.—At the Church of St. Mary.**

*On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in ten methods: (1) Double Court, (2) Thelwall and Childwall, (3) Cambridge, (4) Kent and Oxford, (5) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (6) Single Oxford, (7) Plain Bob.

Keith R. Davey .. .. Treble	Tenor 7 cwt.
Gerald Reynolds .. .. 2	George R. G. Butler .. .. 4
Harold Barsley .. .. 3	Alan G. Payne .. .. 5
	J. Martin Thorley .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.

**WHITTLEBURY, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of St. Mary**

*On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 42 extents in 25 methods viz.: (1) St. Remigius, (2) St. Remigius and Hascombe S.C., (3) St. Remigius and Harpley, (4) St. Remigius, (5) Winchendon Place, (6) Winchendon Place and Thornborough S.C., (7) Winchendon Place and Haddiscoe, (8) Winchendon Place, (9) St. Nicholas, (10) St. Nicholas and Longford S.C., (11) St. Nicholas and Funderhall, (12) St. Nicholas, (13) Grandsire, (14) St. Osmund, (15) St. Osmund and Merton S.C., (16) St. Osmund and Longworth, (17) St. Osmund, (18) St. Martin, (19) St. Martin and Slapton S.C., (20) St. Martin and Welford, (21) St. Martin, (22) St. Simon, (23) St. Simon and Rugby S.C., (24) St. Simon and Braywood, (25) St. Simon, (26) Grandsire, (27) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, (28) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Raveningham S.C., (29) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Dorton, (30) Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, (31) Plain Bob, (32) Plain Bob and Candlesby S.C., (33) Plain Bob and Boxford, (34) Plain Bob, (35) Winchendon Place, (36) Winchendon Place and Thornborough S.C., (37) Winchendon Place and Haddiscoe, (38) St. Martin, (39) St. Martin and Slapton S.C., (40) St. Martin and Welford, (41) St. Nicholas, (42) St. Simon.

Christopher C. Stokes .. Treble	Tenor 9 cwt.
*Percy Amos .. .. 2	Roger W. Smith .. .. 3
	Graham C. Paul .. .. 4

\*Alan A. Paul .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Graham C. Paul.

\* 25th peal together.

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## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

TWYWELL, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Thurs., Oct. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In six methods being 120 St. Ann, 240 each St. Helen and Newborough, 960 Rev. Canterbury, 1440 Plain Bob, Morris' and Pitman's 240's Grandsire and 1560 Grandsire. Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb.

Frank E. Coales .. Treble | Hilary Knight .. 3

William J. Beddoes .. 2 | Peter M. Fleckney .. 4

Roy H. Jones .. Tenor

Conducted by Roy H. Jones.

First peal in 6 methods for all except the conductor.

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

On Thurs., Oct. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 LAPAL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 38 lb. in A.

Muriel Reay .. Treble | Roderick W. Pipe .. 5

Susan Funnell .. 2 | David J. Purnell .. 6

Norman J. Goodman .. 3 | Peter Border .. 7

Geoffrey Davies .. 4 | J. Alan Ainsworth .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. Tipler.

Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

First peal in the method.

## BIRMINGHAM.—At the Church of St. Barnabas, Erdington.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In two methods, comprising 3,520 London and 1,504 Bristol with 53 changes of method. Tenor 15 cwt. 43 lb. in F.

Muriel Reay .. Treble | Norman J. Goodman .. 5

Susan Funnell .. 2 | Michael J. Fellows .. 6

Roderick W. Pipe .. 3 | Martin D. Fellows .. 7

John C. Eisel .. 4 | J. Alan Ainsworth .. Tenor

Composed by Joseph W. Parker.

Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

First peal of Spliced as conductor.

## BIRMINGHAM.—At the Church of St. Martin.

On Tues., Oct. 6, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt.

\*Stephen W. Barton .. Treble | Martin D. Fellows .. 5

Roderick W. Pipe .. 2 | Maurice G. Ingram .. 6

Robert E. Hardy .. 3 | J. Alan Ainsworth .. 7

Michael J. Fellows .. 4 | George E. Fearn .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen J. Ivin.

Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

\* First peal of Major. † First in the method.

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

On Thurs., Oct. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 LINCOLN SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 38 lb. in A.

Muriel Reay .. Treble | \*Peter Border .. 5

\*Susan Funnell .. 2 | \*Michael J. Fellows .. 6

Edward W. Colley .. 3 | \*Norman J. Goodman .. 7

\*J. Alan Ainsworth .. 4 | George E. Fearn .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen J. Ivin.

Conducted by Peter Border.

\* First peal in the method.

## THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

SHIFNAL, Shropshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Carter's 12-part. Tenor 19 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb.

A. Albert Richards .. Treble | \*William A. Brotherton .. 5

Elizabeth Timmins .. 2 | Roger L. Hawksworth .. 6

Albert D. Collins .. 3 | Cyril Taberner .. 7

Francis Brotherton .. 4 | †Stanley W. Illidge .. Tenor

Conducted by Albert D. Collins.

\* First peal attempt. † First on eight bells.

Rung to the glory of God and for the Harvest Festival.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

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

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb. in E flat.

\*Clarence F. Briggs .. Treble | \*James W. Raithby .. 5

†Katharine Burchnell .. 2 | W. Neville Brown .. 6

\*Grace Burchnell .. 3 | \*John R. Pratchett .. 7

\*Margaret E. Chilton .. 4 | \*†William L. Exton .. Tenor

Composed by Arthur Knights.

Conducted by William L. Exton.

\* First peal of Kent Treble Bob Major. † 50th peal together.

† 50th peal together

An 18th wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Briggs.

## LAPAL SURPRISE MAJOR

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## ORSTON, Notts.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 8 extents each of Reverse Canterbury, Southrepps, Kennington, April Day and 10 extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb.

S. Jane Dowse .. Treble | \*†Maurice W. Harrison .. 4

Robert D. Marsh .. 2 | C. Raymond Larkin .. 5

\*Ruth Blackshaw .. 3 | Albert Foster .. Tenor

Conducted by Ruth Blackshaw.

\* 75th peal together. † 75th peal.

A 21st birthday compliment to Hedley N. Foster.

## WINTHORPE, Notts.—At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints.

On Tues., Oct. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents each of Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Single Oxford and one of Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt. approx.

S. Jane Dowse .. Treble | Margaret E. Chilton .. 4

Ruth Blackshaw .. 2 | William L. Exton .. 5

F. William Midwinter .. 3 | Maurice W. Harrison .. Tenor

Conducted by Maurice W. Harrison.

First peal as conductor in four Minor methods.

A birthday compliment to Elisabeth A. Tutty.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

BRADLEY, BILSTON, Staffs.—At the Church of St. Martin.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in G.

\*Richard B. Dorrington .. Treble | Harry Griffiths .. 5

†David J. Bates .. 2 | Eric E. Speake .. 6

\*Philip R. Johnson .. 3 | Geoffrey Davies .. 7

J. Dennis Holden .. 4 | Philip G. K. Davies .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Geoffrey Davies

\* First peal on eight bells. † First on eight 'inside.'

## SHARESHILL, Staffs.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven differently called extents. Tenor 9 cwt. in A.

\*John D. R. Smith .. Treble | Peter J. Barker .. 4

Harry Butler .. 2 | P. George Golder .. 5

Roger W. Barker .. 3 | Michael W. Fairey .. Tenor

Conducted by Michael W. Fairey.

\* First peal of Minor.

Rung for Harvest Festival.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

ROUGHAM, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in ten methods: (1) Netherseale Surprise, (2) Norwich Surprise, (3) Cambridge and Ipswich Surprise, (4) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (5) Double Court, (6) Kent and Oxford T.B., (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 16 cwt.

\*Mrs. H. Ivings .. Treble | James B. Morley .. 4

Alice E. J. Lester .. 2 | Neville F. Whittell .. 5

\*Richard Rose .. 3 | \*Maurice J. Rose .. Tenor

Conducted by James B. Morley.

\* First peal in ten methods. First in ten methods as conductor.

Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Maurice Rose.

## STRATFORD ST. MARY, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents each of Kent T.B., and Oxford T.B., and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 16 cwt.

Edward E. Davey .. Treble | John Avis .. 4

Alan R. Andrews .. 2 | Walter D. Bailey .. 5

Neil V. Avis .. 3 | David Culham .. Tenor

Conducted by Alan R. Andrews.

## TANNINGTON, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Ethelbert.

On Fri., Oct. 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being one extent each of Norwich, Ipswich, London, Wells, Beverley, Surfleet and Cambridge Surprise. Tenor 10 cwt. 4 lb. in A flat.

David Vincent .. Treble | J. Barry Pickup .. 4

Andrew T. Beckwith .. 2 | George W. Pipe .. 5

Neville F. Whittell .. 3 | Howard W. Egglestone .. Tenor

Conducted by Howard W. Egglestone.

Specially arranged as a welcome to J. Barry Pickup to Suffolk.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

ESHER, Surrey.—At Christ Church.

On Sat., Sept. 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb.

\*Margaret C. Godfrey .. Treble | Catherine M. Powell .. 5

Michael J. Uphill .. 2 | \*Michael J. Bew .. 6

†Robert J. Cooles .. 3 | John F. M. Maybrey .. 7

†Alison M. Mann .. 4 | Michael J. Bangham .. Tenor

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

\* First peal of Major. † First of Major 'inside.' ‡ First in the method 'inside.' First in the method as conductor.

Rung immediately prior to the wedding of Charles Alfred Cornwall, sidesman at this church, and Helen Louise Meek.



THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.  
ADDINGTON, Surrey.—At the Church of  
St. Mary-the-Blessed-Virgin.

On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In two methods, being one extent of Cambridge Surprise and six of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in B.  
Katharine M. Guy .. .. Treble Hilary A. Swallow .. .. 4  
Margaret C. Godfrey .. .. 2 Eric G. H. Godfrey .. .. 5  
Robert J. Cooles .. .. 3 Tony Lewis .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Tony Lewis.

Rung in memoriam Raymond George Pack, uncle of the conductor.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
PULBOROUGH, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Tues., Oct. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 13½ cwt.

Leonard Stilwell .. .. Treble Robert J. Wake .. .. 5  
E. Jane Sibson .. .. 2 George Francis .. .. 6  
Edgar R. Rapley .. .. 3 Ronald F. Diserens .. .. 7  
Patricia Diserens .. .. 4 Derek E. Sibson .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. Craven. Conducted by Leonard Stilwell.

\* 200th peal. The conductor rang the same bell to his first peal, 60 years ago, October 6th 1904.

Rung to mark 20 years as Rector of Pulborough for the Rev. G. H. W. Royle.

SLINFOLD, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Peter.  
On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being one extent each of Double Oxford, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 12½ cwt.

William H. Riddle .. .. Treble David D. Smith .. .. 4  
E. Winifred Keys .. .. 2 Barry J. Davis .. .. 5  
Philip Stevens .. .. 3 Bernard E. Matthews .. Tenor

Conducted by Bernard E. Matthews.

Rung in memory of Henry W. Stoveld, of Bosham.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

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

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Tenor 25 cwt. 77 lb. in D.

Harold B. Schofield .. Treble J. Henry Fielden .. .. 6  
\*Christine Andrew .. .. 2 †Roger J. Lumley .. .. 7  
\*Peter A. Kirkby .. .. 3 †Barry Sullivan .. .. 8  
Mrs. H. B. Schofield .. 4 Leonard Goodall .. .. 9  
Neil Bennett .. .. 5 S. Barry Schofield .. .. Tenor

Composed by Albert M. Tyler.

Conducted by Neil Bennett.

\* First peal in the method and of Caters. † First in the method.

A 21st birthday compliment to Miss Elizabeth A. Thompson.

CONISBROUGH, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Mon., Oct. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 13½ cwt.

Tessa Hollis .. .. Treble David Nichols .. .. 5  
\*Anthony Douglas .. .. 2 Stuart Armeson .. .. 6  
Mrs. N. Chaddock .. .. 3 Neil Donovan .. .. 7  
John N. D. Chaddock .. 4 Norman Chaddock .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. E. Burton.

Conducted by Norman Chaddock.

\* First peal

A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. N. Chaddock and an 18th birthday compliment to Neil Donovan.

(ALSO SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

CONISBROUGH, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., March 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt.

David Nichols .. .. Treble Michael R. Meadows .. 5  
Neil Donovan .. .. 2 George S. Lee .. .. 6  
Malcolm P. Phipps .. .. 3 John N. D. Chaddock .. 7  
John E. Chapman .. .. 4 Stuart Armeson .. .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. Worsley

Conducted by Stuart Armeson.

## QUARTER PEALS

LYMPSTONE, DEVON.—On October 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss L. Pannell 1, Miss P. Peatfield 2, Miss V. Mellish (cond.) 3, Miss C. Edbrooke 4, R. T. Perry 5, D. Atkins (first quarter) 6. For Harvest Festival.

MERRIOTT, SOMERSET.—On October 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. E. Turner 1, H. Turner 2, W. A. Whetham 3, A. Best 4, A. Robinson (cond.) 5, T. Wills 6.

MONKEN HADLEY, MIDDLESEX.—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. M. Poolman 1, W. Poolman 2, M. Soper 3, R. Fraser 4, C. Ward (cond.) 5, W. Bradbrook 6, T. Pink 7, W. Langley (84) 8. For harvest festival and for birthday of W. Langley the previous day.

MULBARTON, NORWICH.—On Sept. 19th, 1,260 Minor (Kent T.B., Plain Bob): F. Boyce 1, S. High 2, R. Dewsbury 3, R. Lubbock 4, M. Cubitt 5, P. Adcock (cond.) 6. To congratulate the ringer of 5th on the birth of a daughter.

NEWBURN, NORTHUMBERLAND.—On September 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Taylor (first quarter) 1, D. G. Hall 2, M. Maughan 3, K. Arthur (cond.) 4, W. Tyson 5, T. Sewell 6. For the patronal festival and with the prayers and good wishes of the band to Frederick Ross on his ordination as deacon at York Minster.

NORTHMOOR, OXON.—On September 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Batten 1, F. Trinder 2, B. Miles 3, N. Leslie 4, D. Leslie (cond.) 5, P. Trinder 6. A birthday compliment to Vernon Clifton.

OKHAM, RUTLAND.—On October 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: T. G. Briggs (86) 1, R. Hill 2, E. A. Jacques 3, A. J. Stimson 4, M. T. Stimson 5, R. C. Tyler 6, J. M. Thorley (cond.) 7, S. R. Hoy 8. For Harvest Festival.

PENN, WOLVERHAMPTON.—On October 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Griffiths 1, Pamela Garrett 2, D. G. Smith 3, Gillian Griffiths 4, E. G. Bowyer 5, J. A. Roden 6, C. Griffiths (cond.) 7, C. F. W. Eyre 8. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

PERTH, W.A.—At St. George's Cathedral on Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: M. Page 1, Laura Beeny (first in Australia) 2, B. Lawes 3, L. Reynolds 4, B. Potts (cond.) 5, J. Watson (first quarter) 6. For Evensong. Rung on the day of the ordination of Idris Jones, a former ringer at the Cathedral.

POPLAR, LONDON.—At All Saints' Church on Sept. 27th, 1,296 Siedman Caters: Patricia Rogers 1, M. P. Thomas 2, Mrs. O. L. Rogers 3, J. M. H. Hunter (cond.) 4, R. M. Damerell 5, W. Birmingham (jun.) 6, D. W. Struckett 7, C. H. Rogers 8, H. W. Rogers 9, V. Nutton 10. For the induction by the Bishop of London of Fr. A. R. Royall to this parish.

RINGWOOD, HANTS.—On June 21st, 1,260 Siedman Triples: L. F. Cobb 1, P. L. King 2, D. Wilson 3, W. T. Perrins 4, W. C. Shute 5, F. L. Harris 6, W. E. Cheater (cond.) 7, J. Hartless 8. First of Siedman 2 and 4. Also on Sept. 27th, 1,260 Siedman Triples: P. L. King 1, L. F. Cobb (cond.) 2, Mrs. B. N. Reed 3, W. T. Perrins 4, W. C. Shute 5, C. W. Reed 6, W. E. Cheater 7, G. E. Turner 8. Also Oct. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: L. F. Cobb 1, Mrs. B. N. Reed 2, P. L. King 3, C. W. Reed 4, E. V. Whitfield 5, W. T. Perrins (first as cond.) 6, W. E. Cheater 7, L. T. Perrins (first quarter) 8.

ROUGHAM, SUFFOLK.—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Minor (Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob): R. H. Rogers (cond.) 1, L. J. Nice 2, R. Rose 3, W. Cracknell 4, J. W. Paul 5, E. R. Nice 6. For Harvest Festival, also a birthday compliment to Mrs. L. Wright.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.—At St. Stephen's Church, on Oct. 3rd, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Angela Rimmer 1, Alison McFarlane 2, Julia Fellows 3, Cecilia J. Bind 4, Christine Rimmer 5, P. T. Dale (cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to Christine McNair.

ST. FLORENCE, PEMB.—On September 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Johns 1, Mrs. P. C. Rogers 2, P. R. Huntbach 3, P. C. Rogers 4, J. P. G. Webb 5, L. H. Jenkins (cond.) 6. First of Minor for 1, 2, 3 and 4.

ST. KEA, CORNWALL.—On October 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Barbara Duck 1, A. Locke 2, R. Egging 3, C. Jose 4, G. Dunstan (cond.) 5, A. Beattie (first quarter) 6. For St. Kea Feast and Harvest; also for the diamond wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Gunn.

SHALFORD, SURREY.—On Oct. 6th, 1,280 Ealing Surprise Major: Rhoda Housden 1, Pamela Gough 2, Patricia Laycock 3, Jessie Kippin 4, F. W. Housden 5, Elizabeth Stevinson 6, R. C. Kippin 7, C. H. Kippin (cond.) 8. First in method 2, 3 and 6.

STRENSHAM, WORCS.—On Sept. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Halling 1, M. Hawkes 2, M. Boskett (first as cond.) 3, C. Haylings 4, P. Robertson 5, S. Pouncey (first quarter) 6.

WAREHAM, DORSET.—On October 4th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: R. W. Young 1, C. T. Brown 2, Judith A. Robertson 3, C. M. Heawood 4, R. G. W. Robertson 5, G. W. Elmes 6, M. J. Young 7, J. W. Blackwood (first of Major as cond.) 8. First of Major by 1, 4 and 7. First of Major by a local band. For Evensong.

WARWICK.—On Oct. 3rd, at St. Nicholas' Church, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: F. M. Robottom 1, J. Susan Smith 2, F. W. Perrins 3, H. G. Summers 4, G. W. Randall 5, J. L. Garner-Hayward 6, P. Stone 7, J. W. T. Taylor (cond.) 8. First of Cambridge Major 1, 2, 5. A farewell to Susan Smith, who has gone up to London University.

WIMBLEDON.—On October 11th, 1,320 Surprise Minor, 720 Cambridge, 600 London: Elizabeth Zass 1, Rosamund Rawlings 2, Vanessa Rodrigues 3, A. Bagworth 4, M. Bangham (cond.) 5, A. Bishop 6.

WHEATHAMSTEAD, HERTS.—On Sept. 29th, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): Gillian M. Brearley 1, K. J. Walpole (cond.) 2, R. D. R. Brown 3, M. J. Sherrick 4, F. W. Ellis 5, J. Thornton 6. For Harvest Festival.

WORLE, SOMERSET.—On Sept. 17th, 1,260 Minor (Oxford Bob and St. Clement's): J. Lambard 1, M. Legg 2, J. Walton 3, J. Coombs 4, S. Lewis 5, G. Prescott (cond.) 6.

WRANALL, SOMERSET.—On Sept. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. D. M. Bennett 1, S. R. Cole 2, A. V. Bennett 3, P. Gardner 4, J. Evered 5, C. Kortwright 6, R. Cole (cond.) 7, N. Bull 8. A compliment to the Rev. Roger O. Fry, on the occasion of his institution as Rector of Portishead.

WYKE REGIS, DORSET.—On Sept. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss V. Howell (first of Triples) 1, Mrs. H. Slade 2, J. Slade 3, J. Rose 4, P. Horbert 5, F. Siedman 6, E. Amey (cond.) 7, F. Symonds 8. Rung for the Collation service of the Rector of Wyke Regis as Rural Dean of Weymouth.



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### BIRTH

**PRIME.**—To Pat (née Gregory) and Dick, a daughter, Leslie Ann, on October 9th. 1964—16, Avenue Road, Christchurch, Hants. 5575

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

**BECKWITH.** Andrew T.—Will Suffolk Guild members please note that my address is now c/o 8, Landsdowne Road, Ipswich. 5593

**SANDERSON.**—Jean Sanderson, formerly of 3, Eastholm, Letchworth, Hertfordshire, now lives at Veryan, 1, Orchard Gate, Melbourn, Cambridgeshire. Postal address: Melbourn, Royston, Herts. Telephone to be installed.

**ROPER.**—The address of Mr. H. L. Roper, formerly of Adderbury, Banbury, is now 'Paddock End', Gateforth, Selby, Yorks. 5577

**STRATHDEE.**—From October 26th the address of Andrew J. Strathdee will be 5, Leopold Road, Ealing, London, W.5. Telephone ACOrn 1532. 5609

**VENN.** Jack and Edward R.—From October 22nd our address will be Kimberley, Wootton, Woodstock, Oxfordshire. Telephone Woodstock 508. 5591

### PERSONAL

'Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run that ye may obtain. And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown, but we are incorruptible.' (1 Corinthians ix, 24 and 25.)

**UMBRELLA.**—Will the gentleman who acquired the wrong umbrella at the Middlesex meeting on October 10th at Bishopsgate, please contact Mr. J. R. Mayne, 170, Headstone Lane, Harrow, Middlesex. 5581

### PUBLICATIONS

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### MISCELLANEOUS

**BRIDGERULE, DEVON.**—On Monday, October 26th, Double Norwich practice at 7 p.m. All welcome. 5585

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY.**—Southampton University Guild of Change Ringers will be holding their annual dinner on Saturday, November 28th. Further details later.—Hon. Secretary, Miss R. Kemp. 5580

**PUTNEY, LONDON.**—Practices on Mondays, November 2nd and 30th and December 21st will be from 7 to 8.15 p.m. due to Saints' Day services. 5583

**ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS, HUGHENDEN.**—All further correspondence to the Secretary, Miss J. Barton, 'The Gables', Boss Lane, Hughenden Valley, High Wycombe, Bucks. 5599

### SOCIETY OF RAMBLING RINGERS

#### Annual Reunion and Dinner,

Saturday, December 5th, at the Coppiece Hotel, Littleover, Derby, 7 for 7.30 p.m. Tickets 22s. 6d. each. N.B.—Next year's tour (1965) will commence on Saturday, July 3rd. 5532

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—I invite any ringers taking up residence in Suffolk to contact me re Towers' Guild activities, etc. Intending visitors/tourists to the county always most welcome of course.—G. W. Pipe, Ringing Master, 8, Lansdowne Road, Ipswich. Phone 75647. 5592

**UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD GUILD.**—At A.G.M. on October 9th the following officers were elected: Master, John E. Chapman; Deputy Master, Michael R. Meadows; Secretary and Treasurer, Ruth M. Cayton, 107, Hamstead Hall Avenue, Birmingham 20. 5576

### CANCELLED

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bicester Branch.—Due to circumstances beyond our control, the Branch A.G.M. due for October 17th was cancelled. Will any ringers who came to Launton for a ring please accept our apologies.—C. H. Kinch, Hon. Sec. 5579

### MEETINGS

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Derby District.—Monthly meeting at Duffield (10). Friday evening, October 23rd, 7 o'clock.—M. A. Willis, Dis. Sec. 5549

### BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION Hardington Mandeville, Yeovil. CENTENARY OF CHURCH RESTORATION

Ringers and bands of ringers will be welcome on October 24th. Bells available all day. Book times of your visit with G. W. Rendell, Hardington, Yeovil. Tel. W/Coker 266 5540

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Cary Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Charlton Mackrell (6), October 24th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m.—L. McCreadie, Level Lane, Charlton Horethorne, Sherborne, Dorset. 5537

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chertsey District.—Meeting at Weybridge on Saturday, October 24th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify Mr. T. Luxford, 3, Bridge Road, Weybridge. Outlands bells (8) will be available after the meeting. 5561

**HEREFORD GUILD.**—Bromyard District.—Quarterly meeting Pencombe, October 24th, 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Reservations to R. L. Price, 18, New Road, Bromyard. 5573

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Saturday, October 24th, Amersham. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., please.—Miss Hague, 6, Stompsits Road, Holyport, Maidenhead. 5493

**SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—Practice meeting changed to Salehurst on October 24th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea to I. Smith, Sec., 37, Wellington Gardens, Battle. 5557

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Portsmouth District.—Quarterly meeting, St. Barnabas', Swanmore, October 24th. Bells 3 till 9 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. in Parish Hall. Names for tea to Mrs. Jones, The Laurels, New Road, Swanmore, Southampton, please.—L. Duguid, 5547

**THEALE. READING.**—Ringers' service, Sunday, October 25th, 6.30 p.m. Ringing from 5.45 p.m. and after service. Everyone welcome. 5554

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—Forthcoming ringing practices, all commencing 6.30 p.m.: October 27th, St. Lawrence Jewry; November 3rd, St. Giles', Cripplegate; November 10th, St. Paul's, Cathedral. Business meeting to include election of officers at 'The Rising Sun', Carter Lane, E.C., on Tuesday, November 10th, at 8.15 p.m.—John Chilcott, Hon. Sec. 6500

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Rural Branch.—Practice meeting, Alveston (6) on Tuesday, October 27th, 7-9 p.m. 5606

### ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

Ringling at the following towers has been arranged for those attending the 327th anniversary dinner on Saturday, October 31st: St. Dunstan's, Stepney (10), 10.30-11.45 a.m. Southwark Cathedral (12), 1.30-2.30 p.m. St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside (12), 3.30-4.30. St. Giles', Cripplegate (12), 3-4. St. Michael's, Cornhill (12), 4.30-5.30. St. Olave's, Hart Street (8), 2.30-3.30. St. Lawrence Jewry (8), 3.30-4.30 p.m.

JOHN CHILCOTT, Hon. Sec. 5601

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Meeting at Sprotborough, Saturday, October 31st. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Name to Mr. E. Short, 'Hathlyn', 310, Melton Road, Sprotborough, Doncaster. 5578

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—The annual meeting will be held at Dudley on October 31st. Service in St. Thomas' Church 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Names for tea to me by October 28th, please. Towers available: 10.15-11 a.m., Brierley Hill (8); 10.45-11.30 a.m., Kingswinford (8); 11.15 a.m.-12.15 p.m., Stourbridge, St. Thomas' (8); 1.30-2.30 p.m., Lye (8, 3½ cwt.); 2.15-3, Cradley (8); 3.15-4.10 and after business meeting, Dudley (10).—M. D. Fellows, Sec., 14, Western Road, Stourbridge, Worcs. 5589

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Forest of Dean Branch.—Meeting at Redmarley, Saturday, October 31st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. D. Wilson, Little Close, Redmarley, Glos. 5589

**GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Tewkesbury Branch.—Annual meeting, Tewkesbury Abbey (12), Saturday, October 31st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30. Meeting 6 p.m. Names for tea by October 28th to Mr. A. E. Leach, St. Mary's Cottage, Church Street, Tewkesbury. 5582

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Central District.—Meeting at Croydon Parish Church, October 31st. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Bells available after tea until 8 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. F. E. Collins, 17, Hamilton Road, Thornton Heath, Surrey, by Wednesday, October 28th. A special invitation is extended to all members of the Southern District. 5536

**LADIES' GUILD.**—South Wales District.—Meeting at St. Mellons, October 31st. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names, please, to Miss D. Hulbert 6, Wentloog Road, Rumney. Gentlemen welcome.—J. S. King.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—Meeting at Sacred Heart Church, Talbot Square, Blackpool, on Saturday, October 31st. Bells (8) 4 to 6 p.m. 5590



**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Next meeting, Calverley, Saturday, October 31st. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea for those who notify, by previous Wednesday, Miss Olivia Marshall, 19, Chapel Street, Calverley, Pudsey. 5597

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Southern Branch.—Meeting, Irnham, Saturday, October 31st. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Monday, 26th, to Mrs. B. P. Filing, The Griffin Inn, Irnham, near Grantham, Lincs.—F. G. Vickers. 5560

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Grimsby, Saturday, October 31st. Bells (10) from 2.30 p.m. 5 p.m. tea and meeting in the Church House. 7 p.m. service, 7.30-9 p.m. ringing. Names for tea by Tuesday, previous, to Mr. F. Kennington, 211, Roberts Street, Grimsby.—C. A. H. 5574

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Branch.—Practice meeting, Ditchingham, October 31st. Bells (6) from 6.30 to 9 p.m. All welcome.—N. P. J. C., Branch Sec. 5496

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northampton Branch.—Practice meeting, Little Houghton, Saturday, October 31st. Usual arrangements. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to B. E. Frost, 40, Foxgrove Avenue, Northampton. 5502

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Calne Branch.—Meeting, Heddington (6), October 31st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea, please.—W. Hacker, Downs View, Heddington, Calne. 5594

**SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—An evening meeting will be held at Pulverbatch on Saturday, October 31st. Bells (6) available 6.30 to 8.30 p.m.—E. Morris. 5596

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—Central District.—Quarterly meeting, October 31st at Wickham Skeith. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in the Village Hall 5 p.m. for those applying to L. E. Last, Low St., Hoxne, Diss, Norfolk, by Wednesday, October 28th. Business meeting after tea, followed by ringing at Thornham Magna (6) 6.30-9 p.m. All outstanding subscriptions should be paid at this meeting. 5596

**TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Stratton Branch.—Meeting, Stratton (8), October 31st. Bells 2 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. All welcome. Names to H. Trewin, Marhayes, Broad Close Hill, Bude. Tel. 2513. 5559

**UNIVERSITY OF WALES SOCIETY.**—October 31st, Devynock, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Evening, St. Mary's, Brecon. Names for tea to Miss K. Maylott, Alexandra Hall, Aberystwyth. 5604

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chertsey District.—Combined practice at Thames Ditton on Monday, November 2nd. Bells (6) available from 7 p.m. All welcome. 5610

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION**—S.E. District.—Meeting Broomfield Saturday November 7th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury, Chelmsford. 5571

**NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting on Saturday, November 7th, at Newcastle. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Annual Committee meeting 4 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30 p.m. This a joint meeting with our friends from the Cheshire Guild (Crewe Branch) and everyone is welcome. Names for tea to G. A. Moore, 54, Enderly Street, Newcastle, Staffs, by Wednesday, November 4th.—G. C. Beech, Hon. Sec. 5584

**SURREY ASSOCIATION** (Southern District) and **KENT ASSOCIATION** (Tonbridge District).—Joint meeting on November 11th at Oxted and Limpsfield. Bells at both towers 3 p.m. Service at Limpsfield 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Ringing at both towers after. Names for tea to Mr. E. Jarrett, 13, Granville Road, Limpsfield, by the 9th.—W. H. D. and G. A. W. 5595

#### NEWARK PARISH CHURCH SOCIETY OF RINGERS

#### THE ANNUAL GOPHER DINNER

will be held at the Ram Hotel, Newark, on Friday, November 13th. Tickets 16s., obtainable before November 6th from Miss M. E. Chilton, 80, London Road, Newark. 5546

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Annual dinner and social, Shakespeare Hotel, Braunstone, Leicester, November 14th, 6 for 6.30 p.m. Chief speaker: Mr. John Freeman, of Lincoln (Vice-President of Central Council). Tickets (price 17s. 6d.) from the undersigned by November 7th at latest, cash with order.—B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen. Sec., 12, Dorothy Avenue, Glen Hills, Leicester. 5598

**ST. ALBANS DISTRICT DINNER.**—December 5th, Red Lion Hotel, St. Albans. Tickets 17s. 6d. from Miss C. Rimmer, 182, Tippendell Lane, Park Street, St. Albans, Herts. Friends very welcome.—M. A. Coburn, Dis. Sec. 5568

### KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

#### Ashford District

About 40 people were present for the service and tea at the annual general meeting of the Ashford District at their home tower of St. Mary's on October 3rd. The service was conducted by the Rev. W. G. Chesham, who gave a heartening address, and Mr. A. Butcher was the organist.

Tea was enjoyed in the Church Hall and was served by the Mothers' Union under Mrs. Wickens, and kindly given by the Ashford ringers. It was preceded and followed by recordings of the ringing at Washington Cathedral, lent by Mr. H. Parkes.

The hon. District secretary's report and balance sheet showed an improvement on last year, but still fell short of previous years, when the Ashford District led the Association. Apart from Lympe, and the young ladies who rang the peal at Cheriton, peal ringing appeared to be in the doldrums.

Mr. Alan Berry was re-elected as Ringing Master, and Mr. C. T. Hillis as hon. secretary. The Rev. P. T. Robbins was elected as one of the District representatives in place of Mr. Berry. Miss Violet Relf, whose organising genius saves pounds for the Association every time they meet at Tenterden, was re-elected as the other District representative.

The chairman, Mr. J. Willis, proposed the vote of thanks, mentioning the clergy, the Mothers' Union, Messrs. H. Parkes and T. Cullingworth for the ringing recordings, and Miss Margaret Jones (secretary of the Ashford band) for making all the arrangements. C. T. H.

### Gratefully Acknowledged

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**BOURTON-ON-THE-WATER, GLOS.**—On Oct. 4th. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: B. Phillips 1, J. Keyte 2, F. Truie 3, L. Pratlley 4, A. Stacey 5, H. Miles 6, A. W. Wright (cond.) 7, A. Pearce 8. For Harvest Festival, and in recognition of the welcome assistance of J. Keyte over the past 60 years.

### THE LADIES' GUILD

#### Devon Branch

The Devon Branch held a successful meeting at Ottery St. Mary on October 3rd, when the event was well patronised.

Ringing included touches of Grandsire Doubles and Triples, Stedman Triples and two well-struck courses of Plain Bob Major. Owing to the absence of the Vicar, no service was held, but an excellent tea was served at the Kings Arms Hotel.

Mrs. D. R. Bould, the vice-president, presided at the business meeting, and two new members (Mrs. Robertson and Miss M. Weston, of Newquay) were elected. Subject to permission, the annual meeting will be held at St. Budeaux, Plymouth, on February 27th, with a visit to Emmanuel Church, Plymouth, in the evening.

Ringing at Sidbury in the evening included a touch of Grandsire Triples by an all-ladies' band conducted by Mrs. Bould, and an unsuccessful attempt for a course of Cambridge Surprise Major.

### GUILD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

A quarterly meeting of the East Devon Branch was held at Stockland (near Honiton) on October 10th, when some 40 ringers were present. A service was held in Stockland Church conducted by the Rev. R. D. Drury.

At the meeting, presided over by Mr. J. Sage (the chairman), members stood in silence in memory of Mr. E. M. Atkins, the former general secretary of the Guild.

Certificates were presented to Mrs. P. Netherway and Miss S. Netherway, of Colleigh.

The next quarterly meeting will be held at Broadhembury on February 13th, 1965. Monthly practices at Shute, Sidbury, Sidmouth, on second week in each month.

A brief report on Stockland bells was given by Mr. Sage. It was decided to ring a peal (by officers of the Branch) in memory of Mr. Atkins. A quarter peal was rung after the service.

Thanks were passed to all concerned in arrangements for the day.

### SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

#### Dorchester Branch

The annual quarterly meeting of the Dorset Branch was held at Wyke Regis on October 3rd and was attended by 31 members.

The Guild service was conducted by the Rector (Canon F. E. Pratt), who took as the theme for his address the word 'Thanksgiving.' The lesson was read by the Branch chairman, the Rev. C. E. C. Brinkworth. Tea was served in the Church Hall by a band of ladies of the church.

In opening the meeting, the Branch chairman congratulated Mr. F. B. Stedman, captain of the Wyke Regis ringers, who had recently celebrated his 90th birthday and was still a regular ringer on Sundays and on practice nights. He also congratulated Canon Pratt on his recent appointment as Rural Dean of Weymouth.

Branch practices were arranged as follows (subject to confirmation): Preston, October 17th; Cattistock, October 31st; Abbotsbury, November 14th; St. Peter's, Dorchester, November 28th; Fordington, December 12th; Charminster, January 2nd.

Next meeting: Annual, St. Peter's, Dorchester, January 16th. R. H. D.

### OUTING

#### FRAMSDEN AND DISTRICT

This year's outing of the Framsdens and District ringers on October 10th was into Bedfordshire. Cardington was most disappointing as only the back six could be rung owing to a defective chiming hammer and it was impossible to see the bells to investigate. The six were, however, good practice for Elstow's six of Bunyan fame. Maulden proved most pleasing and here Willoughby E. had his long wish satisfied. The handy eight at Clifton completed the tour. To those who met them and Mr. L. Bywaters, for his helpful information the ringers return sincere thanks.



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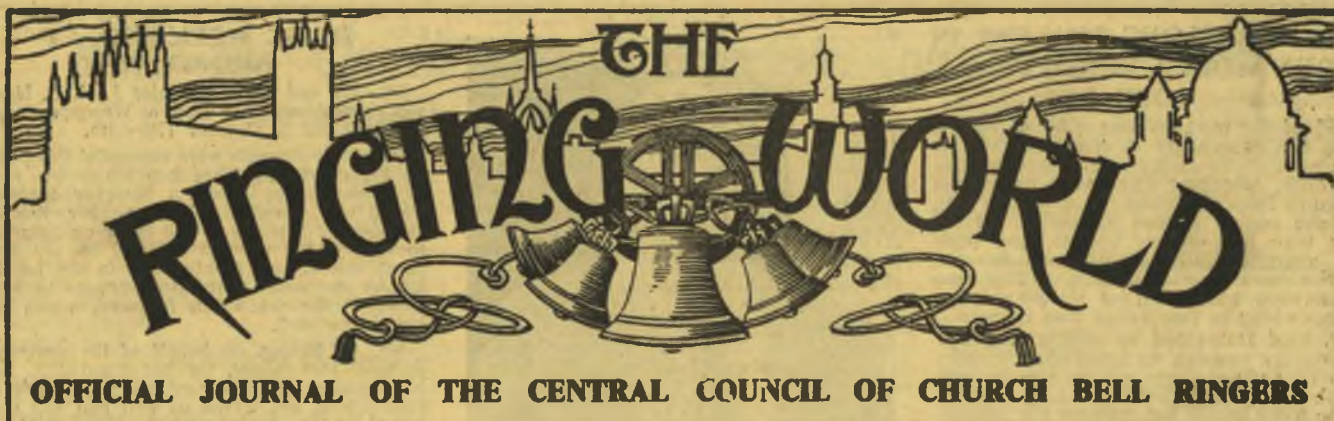
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## LOVING INVITATION

*Sermon preached to the North Staffs Association at Uttoxeter Parish Church by the Rev. P. G. Hardy, R.D., on September 19th.*

'MAY their membership in this Association tend in some measure to build up Thy Church.' Those words of the prayer we have all just used remind us all that the skills we use in the belfry are very far in intent from self-exhibitionism. Those of us who merely listen to the bells certainly never fail to admire your years of practice and patience and painstaking effort which result in such ringing as we have been privileged to enjoy this afternoon. At the same time, and I speak in all humility, we realise that not one of you gathered here for this festival would ever have continued faithful if you had not appreciated the purpose of God's calling to you, to help in some measure to build up His Church.

Accordingly, when next Sunday you begin to ring out what the prayer on your service sheet happily terms the 'loving invitation,' will you bear in mind the sort of people who will be at the listening-end. Not being a ringer, I cannot be expected to know what goes on in your minds when you assemble in the belfry whilst the congregation is assembling in the church below. But you can be sure of one thing—that they are at one with you in your work to help build up the Church, and that they are probably praying for the very people on whose ears your ringing falls. With your necessary concentration, too, on the actual ringing it would not make sense to deflect your thoughts in the belfry from the mechanics of that process. Yet, ultimately, your very purpose in that ringing is directed at the souls of other people, that you may help in some measure to build them into God's Church.

The achievement of this purpose depends partly upon the actual skill you possess in the art of ringing—there is nothing so compellingly attractive as a firm and confident peal—but also in the sort of person you are. As in any profession or industry a man's progress is determined not merely by his abilities but also by his character, his soul, so also effectiveness in the belfry is measured by the prayerfulness or otherwise of the ringing.

Therefore, pray first of all for all who are obedient to God's call to worship. It is most important to support with your prayers those who are gladly heeding your efforts. Think of the Christian already on his way to church as your bells ring out; think of the encouragement you are giving him; think of the sense of Christian fellowship you are engendering in him; think of the very real joy in

worship anticipated by him through your bells. Pray, too, for those obedient to God's call to worship, but who by sickness or other hindrance are unable to get to a church service. Do remember that they will all be listening for your first pull on the ropes, listening for the prayerful joy your ringing will effect, listening probably in a nostalgic manner for the sense of prayerful fellowship which the bells will induce in their souls.

We members of the Christian Church have also to bear in mind that the Church is the only society in the world which exists for its non-members. Hence, secondly, your ringing must reach out to those who have lost the obedience they once had to God's call to worship Him. This loss of purposefulness in life is a sad spectacle which must cause distress to God and certainly does to all of us trying hard to recall such people to their sense of Christian responsibility. Think prayerfully of such a man who will be disturbed in conscience at your ringing; one man will be aroused by sheer nostalgia; another will be awakened out of the torpor of his now meaningless Sundays; all of them can be moved into renewed obedience of soul by way of your prayers for their recall as you ring for them.

Thirdly, your ringing must be understood as directed also to the pagans of this country, to those who appear unmoved by the ministrations of the Church, to those who refuse to be moved by appeals either to commonsense or reason. Their souls have somehow to be touched; your ringing is the only feature of Christian Church life they ever can notice; your responsibility to them is therefore tremendous. Hence, in all humility, my advice to you is this: in praying for such folk, select one or two people known personally to you and, as you ring, pray for them by name individually; pray that they may begin to understand that it is you and your skill being used by God to declare to them His Glory; pray that they may begin to realise that your ringing is for their benefit, that they may be drawn into the true happiness of life on earth, obedience to God's Commandments; pray that the sound of your bells may reach right into their souls to convince them of the reality of the Love of God for them.

We clergy are appreciative not merely of your skilful efforts to bring people into the fold of Christ's Church, nor of the faithfulness with which you come along Sunday by Sunday to 'send forth the loving invitation' to worship, but also of the prayerful example which you set by your diligence in the belfry. So may I conclude with this simple thought: it is not needful to recruit more ringers for our belfries, but it is highly essential to recruit more men of prayer as ringers.



## ALL WERE LONG PEALERS IN JOHN WORTH'S IRISH PEAL TOUR

ONE of the most pleasing sides of ringing is the opportunity it affords of visiting fresh parts of the country. This was the case on Friday, September 25th., when ten ringers arrived in Dublin to make the most of a long week-end and to attempt six peals. All the party were long pealers but no long peals were attempted, although thoughts in that direction were occasionally voiced. This time concentration was placed on six heavy rings and peals long in time rather than changes.

Mr. Fred Dukes had us moving fast early on Saturday morning to Drogheda, 30 miles north of Dublin, where we were to attempt Bristol. Drogheda, an historic town situated on the River Boyne and between the counties of Meath and Louth, contains at St. Peter's Church (C. of I.) a ring of Taylorised Rudhall bells (tenor 22 cwt. in E flat). Three and a half hours later we and the bells were richer by a slow peal of Bristol and we were hustled out of Drogheda and the Boyne Valley and back to Dublin or Baile Atha Cliath as the road signs alternatively show.

### FRED'S FULFILMENT

St. Patrick's National Cathedral was our venue for the afternoon and early evening. Founded in 1190, with a massive square 14th century tower and 18th century spire, the Cathedral dwarfs its humble surroundings and is best seen from the little park on the north side provided by the Guinness family, who also paid for the restoration of the Cathedral in the 1860's. The Irish publicity department have been at work here and we were hard pressed to clear the belfry of reporters and photographers before embarking on four hours of Cambridge Surprise Maximus. Naturally, Gabriel Lindoff provided the composition and its due completion gave Fred Dukes his first of Cambridge Maximus and the fulfilment of the Cambridge ladder.

On Sunday morning, while two of the party returned to St. Patrick's to ring a half-muffled in memoriam quarter of Grand sire, the rest of us sampled Christ Church Cathedral, a superb building architecturally, but with a heavy-going ring of ten, which we managed to turn in to London. Afterwards we visited the Augustinian Church of St. John, another ten, but this time hung anticlockwise in a rectangular belfry. We were attracted by the highly ornate interior of the church, an attraction quickly dulled by the seemingly perilous ascent to the belfry.

London Surprise Major was the music for the afternoon peal at St. George's, Dublin, and a slow steady peal was rung, enabling A. P. W. to call his first of London. Later in the evening an attempt for the first hand-bell peal of Surprise Major outside England collapsed after 35 minutes of Yorkshire: we afterwards relaxed to eight spiced and Stedman Triples.

### ODD-STRUCK

Kilkenny was the first peal tower on Monday and we got off to a late start, and we were an hour late at St. Canice's Cathedral. However, we were soon in the tower with little time to spend to view the 13th century Cathedral or the round tower close to the south transept. The tower is massive and squat with stepped battlements and the bells are hung on the roof, directly above the ringing chamber. The bells are loud, most are odd-struck, the four back bells all swing the same way, and it is therefore as well that we rang Lincolnshire here. But it became very apparent throughout the peal that, whilst one's first impression of the bells was not pleasant, after a few courses to sort out the uneven striking, the earlier discomfort ceased and a peculiar sense of satisfaction was gained. A tower-grabbing band would never get the same satisfaction out of the bells as a peal band.

Leaving the city of Kilkenny, with the fine 200-foot tower of the R.C. Cathedral standing watch over the narrow winding streets and the now slumbering fortress of the castle, we turned eastwards in the direction of the Wicklow Mountains. Our destination was Arklow, 60 miles away. Fast driving was



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necessary and as we went across country, past the sentinel of Mount Leinster, the whole rural life of Ireland greeted us—cows, sheep, poultry, donkeys, horses... and delayed us! At Arklow a late start was inevitable and perhaps the bells did not approve of non-Washbrook compositions, especially as the method was London, because our luck was out after an hour's quick ringing. So Arklow became the first tower in Ireland to owe us a peal, but patience is always rewarded and there is always something to return for. The bells are fine and as musical a 22 cwt. as will be found anywhere: combined with this the church, a beautiful example of Gothic Revival architecture, built in 1900.

### GLORIOUS ENDING

Our final peal was on Tuesday morning at Christ Church, Bray. The two older members of the party left the youngsters to do battle with Bristol, and disappeared rapidly upstream to detect the source of the prevalent odour that results from the brewing of Ireland's national drink. The youngsters rang a good steady peal in 3 hours 43 minutes. What bells! Taylor's, cast in 1880 and rehung in 1950, they have the breadth, tone and go second to none for their weight, but have perhaps as their equal for tone St. Finbarre's Cathedral, Cork. Anyway, they were a glorious end to a most enjoyable week-end.

We parted ways at Bray, the Cheshire men flying back to Manchester and the South Wales contingent returning to Rosslare for the night boat. We must thank Robert Smith for organising that week-end from the Cheshire end. Fred Dukes for the Irish end and local ringers and incumbents.

We are happy that the ringing gave us an opportunity not just to collect more peals and towers but to experience a little of the best that Ireland can offer—grand, unspoilt scenery, a unique Celtic history, a happy people, and, everywhere, warm hospitality and an enthusiastic welcome. B. J. W.

### SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

Bingham District meeting, held at Gedding on October 10th., was well attended, over 60 ringers being present during the afternoon and evening. Canon C. H. B. Watson (Vicar) gave a very inspiring address at the shortened Evensong. Tea was in the Glebe Room, where local ladies had prepared an excellent meal.

We were sorry to learn that the chairman of the Southwell Guild (Mr. W. Midwinter) was in Newark Hospital and all wished him a speedy recovery.

November meeting: Whatton: December, Holme Pierrepont. R. B.

## HESSE WEEK-END AT WRINGTON

The life and work of Major J. H. B. Hesse was remembered once again at Wrington during the week-end of October 17th-18th.

Both peal attempts were successful this year; on Friday evening Plain Bob Major was rung at Chew Magna, and on Saturday Stedman Caters was scored at Wrington. Mr. Rodney Hesse came specially to the tower on Saturday to express his appreciation and to say how much this annual event meant to the family. Similar sentiments were also expressed by Mrs. Hesse at the tea which followed, which she kindly provided.

Mr. H. Sanger, on behalf of the company, thanked Mrs. Hesse for her hospitality, and in reminding those present of the example of ringers who had served us well and had now passed on, he coupled with the name of Major Hesse those of Mrs. E. Knight and Mr. A. A. Hughes, the master founder, whose work at Wrington will always be remembered.

Those present were Mrs. Hesse, the Rev. R. O. Fry, Mr. and Mrs. J. Chilcott, Mr. and Mrs. W. Kingcott, Mr. and Mrs. F. Oakshott, Messrs. H. Bird, J. Brain, L. Derrick, E. Lee, G. Prescott, G. Pullen, H. J. Sanger and S. C. Smith. J. B.

## STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY

An encouraging number of over 50 ringers and friends sat down to tea during the recent meeting held at Yoxall, near Burton-on-Trent, on October 17th. Ringing had taken place previously on the six bells (tenor 13 cwt.) and this had been followed by the service conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. J. O. Nicholls), who made the Society most welcome to one of the few meetings ever held there.

Tea over, the honorary secretary asked that all the towers should pay any owing subscriptions to the treasurer as soon as possible. It was announced that the Ringing Master would be forming a team of volunteer ringers who would be willing to help in towers where assistance was badly needed. The appointment of Mr. D. J. Bates, 151, Red House Lane, Aldridge, Staffs (Tel. Aldridge 51333), as assistant honorary secretary, was announced.

The following new resident members were elected: N. J. C. Bowen, P. C. Bowen, Mr. and Mrs. R. Twigg (Lichfield Cathedral), R. D. N. Collins (Longdon), R. J. Wright (Yoxall), R. W. Barker (Cannock), G. Peters (Haughton) and P. A. Southgate (Shenstone).

Our thanks are expressed to all at Yoxall who made us so welcome, especially to Mr. and Mrs. Wright.

Next meeting: St. Peter's, Wolverhampton, January 16th. C. M. S.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION Tonbridge District

The Tonbridge District held its annual meeting on October 3rd, at Sevenoaks. Ringing began at 3 p.m. before a very interesting service conducted by Rev. E. M. T. McLellan (Rector), at which he spoke of the modern teenage problem. Tea was taken at the Parish Hall, and provided by members of the Sevenoaks band to whom we say 'thank you' for their good hospitality.

At the business meeting Mr. P. A. Corby presided. The secretary's report and interim statement of accounts was adopted and four new members were elected. The officers for the coming year elected were: Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. W. H. Dobbie; District Reps., Miss D. Colgate and Mr. S. Jenner; Ringing Master, Mr. L. Pope; R.W. Correspondent, Miss M. A. Ladd. It had previously been decided to hold four quarterly meetings with no by-meetings in 1965, the four towers were chosen by the members, i.e. January 2nd: Hadlow; April 3rd: Hawkhurst; June 26th: Seal and Seal Chart; October 2nd: Tonbridge (annual). The question of holding a dinner in the Tonbridge District next year was considered. Ringing continued until 8.30 p.m.



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## Peterborough Guild Dinner

THERE was only one thing lacking at the annual dinner of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild held at Northampton Town Hall on October 17th. The speeches were excellent and witty, the dinner was well chosen and well cooked, the band for dancing was in good form, but for some inexplicable reason the attendance was considerably short of the two previous dinners. Those who attended had an enjoyable evening.

Canon G. F. Turner, the president, was in the chair. He was supported by the Archdeacon of Northampton (the Ven. B. R. Marsh) and Mrs. Marsh, Mr. F. W. Perrens and Mrs. Perrens, Canon K. W. H. Felstead, Mr. P. I. Chapman (Past Master), Miss S. R. Collins (Master) and Mr. E. Billings (secretary and treasurer).

The toast of 'The Church' was proposed by Mr. P. I. Chapman, who said that it was only since the emergence of the much publicised South Bank religion and the publication of the reports of the conversations with the Methodists and with the subsequent criticisms and discussions that many, if not all of them, have really become aware that the Church of England, though always in modern times reasonably tolerant, embraces to-day a wider variety of religious conviction than ever before in its chequered history.

### BETTER HEART

Changes and toleration of these changes were obviously essential factors in the modern Church—even the hitherto intransigent Church of Rome showed signs of recognising that. On the whole, we thought that the Church was in better heart than ever before—at least in their lifetime. It was at last being realised that she must keep up with events, that Christianity must be taken to the people and not merely 'made available' in the parish's ancient monument once a week on Sundays in a form almost unintelligible to modern ears!

Whatever changes there may be they will most likely have their effect upon our ancient art of bellringing, but that is comparatively unimportant. I believe, however, that the art of ringing is well worth preserving for its own sake. I also believe that it is a useful means of propaganda for the Church. As long as people complain about the nuisance of bells on Sundays it will be worth ringing for service. They are the most effective conscience-prickers the Church possesses!

The Archdeacon of Northampton said it was a pleasure to hear their pledge of loyalty to the Church as contained in the toast. The Church, like everything else, depended upon the Press and what they read in the Press was not always the whole of the story. What they read was about the newsy worth and that invariably meant trouble. There was a great deal going on in the Church throughout the world which was fantastically revolutionary, such as what was taking place in the Vatican Council, but few realised how the Church of England was in 1964 a revitalised church.

I am very proud to belong to the Church of England and I do not agree with people who say she is a chronically sick old lady. The Church is growing and is set on putting its things in order. In my present job I see a great deal of this diocese and the more I see my confidence grows. This diocese is having a share in the many forward things in the future.

The Archdeacon said he had been given charge of St. Peter's Church and it had, so he understood, the earliest bells in Northampton and one of the finest, and the first peal was rung there in 1739. Unfortunately most of his life had been spent in places where there were no bells—in Australia few of the churches

had bells but were dependent on recordings. Bells were very much a part of English life; they summoned the faithful to worship. As he went round the villages he found churches which had bells and needed help in training new bands; there were other villages where there were not funds to place the bells in order. In these matters the Guild could help.

### THE DUEL

Mr. F. W. Perrens, librarian to the Central Council, proposed the toast of 'The Peterborough Diocesan Guild.' In doing so he brought to them the hearty greetings of one of their friendly neighbours—the Coventry Diocesan Guild—the Guild he had been most closely associated with during the 50-odd years he had been interested in ringing. Yes, they were still friendly although they won the duel for entertaining the Central Council next year. It was won when their Master told the Council that the Peterborough Guild general secretary was associated with a brewery!

They were very pleased last year to welcome their then Master, Mr. Chapman, and some of their ringers to the Coventry Rally. They had a matter of some 600 ringers and friends at the service at the Cathedral. They were very sorry that they could not arrange for them to have a ring at the Cathedral, because they knew the 14 bells were hung dead. He knew they would sympathise with them because at their own Cathedral at Peterborough they had no ringable bells. It was a pity that at the Coventry Cathedral the bells had not come up to the standard of the beauty of the Cathedral or the wonderful services they had, but it might be better in due course.

Their efficient secretary had sent them a copy of their last annual report and from that he noticed that some of the branch secretaries were disappointed that they did not get more members at their meetings. He thought they would hear the same complaint in many other Guilds.

### FULL COMPLEMENT

The success of any Guild depended not on the officers but the success of individual bands, and first and foremost that success depended on having a full complement of members. What could be done about increasing the membership of those bands that were short. If each and every one could introduce a new recruit it would go a long way in meeting the deficiency. They had a wonderful example at Cosgrove—a six-bell tower with 30 members—he had never heard of anything like that before.

The Central Council recognised that it was essential they must recruit. To help in this the Council had issued a leaflet which could be hung in church porches calling attention to bells, the hours of service and practice ringing and to whom those interested should apply for information. These could also be hung in churches in the vicinity giving information of the nearest church with ringable bells.

Concluding, Mr. Perrens said he would like to congratulate the present Master, Miss Collins. As far as his recollection went there had never been a lady as Master of a Guild of this size. He wished her a very happy and successful year in her mastership.

The president, in reply, said they were always proud in their Guild that they had so many of the younger element and ladies as members. It had been said that it was an unusual thing to have a lady as Master, but in Miss Shelagh Collins they had a dedicated person; she was not only dedicated to bellringing but also to the Church and service of the Church. He wished her well. They were also fortunate in having Mr. Billings as their secretary. They knew of the excellent arrangements he made

for that function, the annual meeting and the summer festival. In him the brewery company of that town had an excellent representative in the Church. In regard to the Central Council meeting in Northampton next Whitsuntide they had already made certain arrangements and he hoped it would be a big success. The details would be circulated in the near future.

### PETERBOROUGH CATHEDRAL

Regarding Peterborough Cathedral, he said all his life he had been connected with the Cathedral and he remembered, as a choirboy, when the bells were rung. For many years the bell had not been rung. It was not for lack of interest by the Dean and Chapter but because of the structural condition of the Cathedral, which is undergoing continual repairs; so far they had not been able to tackle the question of the bells. 'I never let a meeting pass without mentioning this fact and I hope that we shall one day have the bells ringing as I remember them as a boy.'

In the diocese, continued the president, the Guild was in a very healthy state with between 900 and 1,000 members, and a great proportion of those members were active, doing a splendid job. As he went about the diocese on various errands it was always a joy to hear the bells ringing and he thought when they heard him coming they always put a little more pep in their ringing.

The toast of 'The Guests,' proposed by the general secretary (Mr. W. S. Billings) and acknowledged by Canon K. W. H. Felstead, of Southampton, who mentioned his predecessor as Rural Dean of Southampton was Bishop Spencer Leese, who became Bishop of Peterborough. Dancing followed.

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

### Striking Competition Final

The successful teams from four Branch competitions met in the final of the Lancashire Association's striking competition on October 10th. Our hosts were the members of the Preston Branch, and in order to save time the eight-bell and six-bell sections were rung at the same time, the former at Higher Walton, the latter at Walton-le-Dale.

In the eight-bell section the judges (Derek Butterworth, Derek Ashton and Neil Bennett) placed the three competing teams in the following order: 1 St. John's, Preston; 2 Emmanuel, Southport; 3 St. Michael's, Ashton-under-Lyne.

In the six-bell section the judges were John Booth, John Robinson and F. Reynolds, who placed the teams as follows: 1 St. James', Leyland; 2 St. Peter's, Burnley; 3 Adlington; 4 Accrington; 5 St. Michael's, Ashton-under-Lyne; 6 Coppull.

This event appears to be growing in popularity, and thanks to some good organisation a very enjoyable afternoon was spent by all. F. R.

### PRESENTATION TO MR.

#### W. M. NEWBY

Recognition of the good work Mr. W. M. Newby did during the 27½ years he acted as Branch secretary of the Furness Branch was forthcoming at the half-yearly meeting of the Branch at Hawkshead on October 10th.

Mr. J. E. Burles, one of the Lancashire Association's representatives on the Central Council, in making a presentation of a wrist watch to Mr. Newby, which had been subscribed for by Branch members, assured him of the deep appreciation of not only their own members but of the Lancashire Association of his long and outstanding services to ringing. Mrs. Newby was presented with a bouquet by Mr. T. Bagnall. T. F. M.

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# Letters to the Editor

## A Go-ahead District

Dear Sir,—A few words of praise and encouragement are these to the go-ahead ringing members of the Alton and Petersfield district of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild.

Great efforts have been made in the last 12 years in mastering different methods and improving striking and this is very noticeable at Liss, where there is a keen loyal band of service ringers who, incidentally, won the cup in last year's striking competition.

I have been a member of the Guild for over 30 years now and I think it is true to say that we have never had it so good in this district. Many young ringers are being taught and some older members have persevered and got on to Surprise methods.

On October 17th a peal of Plain Bob Major was attempted at Liss, an all local effort. Unfortunately this was lost after just over an hour of beautiful ringing. Not to be dismayed, it was decided to try a quarter peal of Stedman Triples and, once again, the ringing was really first class, equal to many much more experienced bands I have heard; unfortunately this too was lost in the last course. I had the pleasure of recording these efforts on my tape recorder and what joy it is to play this back and hear such beautiful ringing on this grand Mears octave.

How has this been achieved? My mind goes back to the early 1930's when Charles E. Bassett did a tremendous amount to foster change ringing and he still does. After the war came along Reg Jones and his wife, both dead, but they were keen and top class ringers and started what I would call the great revival.

Among those inspired by his efforts were Mr. Rex Corke and his wife, at Alton, who have fostered a good band. Another stalwart is my old school friend Alan Betsworth, captain at Liss who, like myself is a pupil of Charles E. Bassett. He went to Liss just before the war and got a band of change ringers going and encouraged such promising youngsters as David Hughes and Brian Walton, who are now conducting and instructing others.

Keith Sansom and Ken Tipper, at Petersfield, more disciples of C.E.B. and Reg Jones, are doing great work there. An excellent band is at Warnford, the work of these great pioneers and so it continues, a district that is really flourishing and getting ahead.

I think it is quite probable we shall see a Surprise band in the Alton and Petersfield district one day, the first ever. To all I would say, keep it going.—Yours faithfully,

Hawkey, Hants. CHARLES A. POUND.

## Iron Spur Stays

Dear Sir,—Reverting to the correspondence on stays which started with Mr. Haythorne's letter about St. Lawrence's bells in Winchester, at St. John-the-Baptist's Church in the same city are five bells which are probably more unringable than St. Lawrence's ever were. Here the iron spur stays project *sideways* from the top of the headstock, to engage with intriguing vertical iron sliders (like pendulums) fitted to the frame posts below the bearings. The frame and fittings appear to date from the 17th century, the tenor (16 cwt. in F) being dated 1654.

Rev. A. Clayton's stays at Stratford Tony, attached to the wheels with rope, are paralleled at Tarrant Monkton, Dorset (3, tenor cracked), Bockleton, Worcestershire (3, tenor about 7 cwt. in A) and Tugford, Shropshire. The latter bells are an unringable, mixed 17th century five with really rustic fittings (mostly original) and still capable of being swing-chimed. In all these cases the rope or string is no doubt a repair, the stays originally being jointed, pegged or nailed to the wheels. It does seem that in the old days a stay was not something to be broken!

I wonder if anyone can beat Tarrant Crawford, Dorset, where the treble of the three has a normal stay projecting *downwards* from the headstock, to engage with a slider attached to the tower roof!—Yours faithfully,

Leigh, Reigate. CHRISTOPHER DALTON.

## Leicester University Outing

Dear Sir,—May I be allowed to comment on the rather uncalculated for comments by Mr. J. J. Pawley (p. 695)? As the ex-Ringing Master of the 'local university society' referred to, I would like to point out the following:

(1) On the actual day of our outing, two members were prevented from attending after an accident on a field-course which caused a broken wrist to one girl, and very severe lacerations to the other. A third member, who was to have attended, was unexpectedly called for an interview with the bursar and joined us later.

(2) Nottingham University was also to have sent a band to join us, but an unfortunate examination timetable prevented this.

We, at Leicester, have had enough trouble to keep going over the last three years without having these extra misfortunes to contend with. I think I explained the situation quite clearly to the local lady who met us, and we were all grateful that she came to ring with us, albeit humble and poorly struck Bob Minimus. We did our best with the resources available—one can do more.

However, as so often happens, it appears that the story got changed on the way of passing from mouth to mouth, and I am forced to make this defence for our Society.

I hope, Mr. Pawley, that you will not take these remarks personally; but do please enquire carefully into reasons before firing your bullets at people who may be innocent of offence. Next time we have an outing, let us hope that there will be enough to ring five, six, yes even eight bells. We have done it before and it can be done again, unless the face of fortune sees fit to look the other way once more.—Yours faithfully,

ROBERT E. HARDY.

Moseley, Birmingham.

## Old Rings of Bells

Dear Sir,—I read with interest Phillip Walker's article about the bells of Merton College, Oxford.

I am not quite sure what he means by the eight bells being 'the oldest complete ring by one founder in existence,' but here at Coudsdon there is a ring of five, all of which were cast in 1675—by John Hodson.

They have been rehung, quarter turned and retuned, but not recast, so they are by five years an older ring than those of Merton College.—Yours sincerely,

Coudsdon, Surrey.

D. G. LITTLE.

## Morpeth Watch Tower

Dear Sir,—Just what is the 'slight' of the Curfew to which Miss Armstrong refers in her letter about Morpeth Watch Tower ('Belfry Gossip')? If it means that permission to attempt peals or quarter peals has been given—attempts which extend across the time for ringing the Curfew—then surely the matter rests with those responsible for the bells in this tower, presumably the Borough Council itself! It is open to all ringers to apply for the use of the bells at a certain time, and if permission is given then they cannot be blamed for going ahead with their ringing. If Miss Armstrong has any real grounds for complaint, then this should be made to the local authorities and not to ringers generally—unless they have in fact been ringing without permission, which I would very much doubt. The whole matter seems to be one which should be settled locally by consultation with those who have charge of the tower and its bells, whether these be the clergy of the Parish Church (some distance away up the hill) or the Borough Council.—Yours sincerely,

PETER N. BOND.

Gillingham, Kent.

## LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

THE autumn quarterly meeting of the Guild was held in the Melton Mowbray District on October 17th. During the afternoon the bells of Waltham, Eaton and Croxton Kerrial were available as well as the 10 at Melton Parish Church. The Ringers' Service was conducted by the Vicar, Canon C. M. S. Clarke, which was followed by tea in the Colles Hall, prepared by Mrs. M. Stimson (the Melton District Secretary) and other helpers.

The business meeting followed. After the President had welcomed the 80 members, visitors and friends (Melton always attracts a large number!) he thanked the Melton District officers for the arrangements made. Six certificates of membership were presented.

The election of the following 37 members was confirmed:

Canon D. A. Adams (Market Harborough), P. Humphrey (Nottingham), M. Stayley (Burton Latimer), Rev. F. W. Brown (Peckleton), Christine Mason (Chilvers Coton), L. F. Cobb (Ringwood), P. N. Tubbs (Winchester), J. Hartless (Southampton), F. L. Harris (Lymington), R. Kiopin (Farnborough), R. Haines (Salisbury), M. J. Best (Winchester), Carol Urry (Rugby), Anne Fellows (Birmingham), D. Midgley (Newcastle-u-Lyme), A. Jobson (Abingdon), R. Gay (Beaworth), P. Gay (Bristol), J. Queen (Petersfield), J. W. Lowe (Quorn), P. Hutchinson (Evington), R. Plowman (Evington), A. Dockerty (Evington), G. Reynold (Uppingham), D. Baxter (Grantham), K. Hesketh (Liverpool), D. Llewellyn (Barry), J. Nelson (Manchester), L. Melton (Ipswich), J. Pannett (Leicester), H. Hammond (Lutterworth), G. Pearcey (Lutterworth), W. Dobbie (Tonbridge), J. Woolford (Tattershall), Rev. Giles Galley (King's Lynn), Barbara Dobson (Shephard), Jennifer Cook (Birmingham).

The President reminded members that the annual dinner would be held on November 14th at the Shakespeare Hotel, Braunstone, that Mr. John Freeman (Vice-President of the Central Council) would be the chief speaker.

The winter quarterly meeting would be held in the Syston District on Feb. 13th at Birstall. Mr. Peter Staniforth was to be asked to show the 50-minute film he took while on his visit to Washington at the conclusion of this meeting.

The next item proved to be the most contentious. Mr. G. W. Mason proposed and Mr. S. Harrison seconded a motion that an annual striking competition be held on a Guild basis to improve the standard of Sunday service ringing. After much discussion the motion was eventually carried by 35 votes to 19.

The committee had appointed Mr. T. C. Bolton as press secretary to record items of news for insertion in the Diocesan Leaflet.

## OUTING

### SOUTH EAST WALES

More than 20 ringers from Cardigan, Pembroke, Tenby and St. Florence travelled to Brecon and Monmouth for the St. David's Diocesan Guild annual outing on October 3rd.

At the first tower, Devynock, the six bells were rung to Doubles, Kent and Cambridge Minor and rounds. Everyone enjoyed ringing on the beautifully-toned ring of eight at St. Mary's, Brecon. Grandsire, Plain Bob and Stedman were rung with a well-struck touch of Stedman Triples coming to grief just before entering rounds.

An excellent lunch preceded ringing on the eight bells at Llanfeigan. This pretty little church, which has recently been restored, is a considerable distance from the village and is apparently the Mecca of many peal ringers. Unfortunately the ringing here did not do justice to the tuneful bells.

A short run took us to another eight at Llangatock, where the long draught tended to upset many of the company—the striking left much to be desired.

The wonderfully mellowed bells of St. Mary's, Abergavenny, were voted as the ring of the day. After a bad start a plain course of Grandsire Caters came round, which pleased us considerably, only two of the ringers having rung on ten before. This was followed by Original on ten, and rounds.

The party now split up, half returning home whilst the others went on to Blaenavon to ring on the delightful eight. A. F. W.



## St. Katherine's Society's Week in the Lake District

ON Saturday, September 5th, nine ringers crammed into a Morris 1000 and a clapped-out Humber Hawk, and converged at ten o'clock on the Priory Church at Pamber, near Basingstoke. After three-quarters of an hour's 'struggle' and a look over the bells and frame we were finally convinced that, as far as we were concerned, the ring of four with its 50 feet of unguided rope was unringable. Ah, well, not to worry! Next came a long drive to Leamington, where the eight at All Saints' were sampled, and then to Lichfield, where, joined by Anne Horsford in her Sprite, we rang for Evensong on the glorious ten at the Cathedral. These bells were by far the best of the tour. We then pressed on to Buxton, where some managed to eat Chinese before ringing at St. Peter's, Fairfield. The length of the ropes brought Tony to his knees but we managed to strike a course of Kent fairly well. Ah, well, not to worry!

### ENTRANCED

On Sunday, after a drive over the Pennines, where we first experienced the type of roads we were to meet for the rest of the week ('Stone me, it must be 1 in 3!—No, 1 in 4 at the most'), some of us managed to reach Leeds in time to ring for morning service on the fine 12 bells at the Parish Church. Some also rang for service at St. Francis of Assisi's (R.C.) before moving on towards the lakes. En route, eight of us rang at Giggleswick (the name had entranced a certain young lady ringer in the party), whilst the other two moved on to munch pork pies by the side of the road, ultimately being the first to arrive in Keswick, which was to be our home for the week. The rest arrived just in time for a short ring at Crosthwaite before the service, which we attended, hearing a sermon given by the Bishop of Pontefract. After the service, at Mr. Brownrigg's suggestion, we rang the bells again, and the more energetic admired the view from the top of the tower.

On Monday the grabbing started in earnest. Before lunch we enjoyed the new 7 cwt. eight at Hawkhead, where we were joined by Tom Metcalfe, rang Alporton Alliance (what, four lots of fourths?) at Broughton-in-Furness, and went on to ring at Millom, during which time the Humber had managed to have an argument with a Triumph owner who owned the white line down the middle of the road. We returned to Broughton for lunch, and went on to ring an almost perfect touch of Single Oxford on the light six at Kirkby Ireleth, three leads of Original Royal and a course of Cambridge Major at Dalton, and a course of Double Norwich at Barrow, where the fourth sounded to be hung in the staircase turret (we don't know where the other bells were). After tea we rang at Ulverston and at Tom Metcalfe's home tower of Flookburgh with its fine 16 cwt. six.

### GOOD AND BAD

On Tuesday we went east, first to the delightful Taylor four at Lazonby, where the ropes hang in a straight line along one wall, which made Erin and Kent more interesting. This was followed by several touches on the somewhat difficult bells at Great Salkeld. At Penrith we were told a story about Mr. A. Patrick Cannon and, despite the organiser failing to recognise her, were joined by Hilary Swallow, who had come up from Tonbridge



The party outside Aspatria Church. Left to right: Raymond J. Talbot, Hilary A. Swallow, Colin H. Cook, Ian V. J. Smith, Anne Horsford, Julian W. T. Smith, Tony Lewis, David J. M. Cox, Christopher M. Barnes, Katherine M. Guy, D. Paul Smith.

by coach overnight. We proceeded to ring Superlative and Stedman on the fine ring of eight. After lunch we rang at Appleby, and then moved on to Kirkby Stephen, where three new ropes on a 60ft. draught defeated our efforts to strike the bells. Ah, well, not to worry! Orton bells, where the second had no stay, were sampled before tea, after which we rang at Kirkby Lonsdale.

On Wednesday morning we lost a peal of Cambridge at Arlecdon, but rang a quarter of Bob Triples instead, a 'first' for seven of the participants. Ah, good! Lunch followed at Whitehaven—fine church, but no bells. At Hensingham the third bell was a bit sticky due to an extra long stay, but we managed to ring Superlative. St. Bees' belfry proved to be the 'Black Hole,' but after a light switch had been found, a touch of Bob Major came round at hand (of course it's false). Ah, well, not to worry! Then to Egremont, where, after ringing, the magnificent tea laid on for us in the Church Hall was greatly appreciated. The evening was occupied by only one tower, Cleator Moor, where some good Double Norwich and an excellent bob course of Stedman were rung.

### LANCASHIRE HOT-POT

On Thursday we went south into Lancashire, visiting Silverdale in the morning, where we rang Double Oxford (what, 65's at backstroke), and Morecambe after lunch, where more rope than bell was heard. At Lancaster came a heavy eight at St. Mary's, and an indifferent ten at St. Peter's Cathedral. After tea came Hornby, Mellington and Milnthorpe, ending up on our finest six at Heversham, where Cambridge, London and Spliced Minor were rung.

The next morning, Friday, we rang quite a good peal of Grandsire Triples at Keswick and, after lunch, worked our way up to Carlisle via Cockermouth, Workington, where

the tenor weighs 12½ cwt., feels like 15 cwt. and sounds like a ton, and Aspatria. After some delay following tea we rang at Carlisle Cathedral, where we seemed unable to strike the bells, although a course of Cambridge was reasonable.

On Saturday we attempted a quarter at Kendal but, owing to the speed at which we rang, mistakes were bound to occur and, of course, did. During the afternoon we rang at Bowness-on-Windermere and Crosthwaite, and after tea we joined the local Association in ringing on the fine 32 cwt. eight at Ambleside. Then to Langdale, where the delightful light six produced the best-struck Cambridge, London and Oxford of the tour. Back at Keswick our thanks were voted to the organiser, Colin, and the whole party got on the sofa to have their picture taken (Ah, good), followed by bed.

### TILL NEXT YEAR?

An early start was made on Sunday for the return journey. The Sprite chose the M6-M1 route and joined in ringing at Blackburn Cathedral, eventually arriving at London Bridge at 4.45 p.m. The Morris and the Humber, having chosen the A1 route, were warmly welcomed at Bradford Cathedral for morning ringing. The Morris finally arrived at London Bridge at 5.45, but the Humber was having a rather eventful journey. It having 'given up the ghost' near Biggleswade, the occupants decided to push it off the road, and succeeded in manoeuvring it masterfully into a ditch. Ah, well, not to worry! Not long after, due to the overzealousness of a passer-by, two police squad cars, a fire engine, a breakdown vehicle and an ambulance arrived on the scene. However, a few cheerful words soon put things to rights, and, 'having got the ghost back again,' the car was restarted, arriving at London Bridge at 8.20.

R. J. T. and I. V. J. S.

**SPROUGHTON, SUFFOLK.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Minor (Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob): A. Munnings 1, K. Whitell 2, C. R. Woodard 3, N. F. Whitell 4, J. Munnings 5, R. W. Steward (cond.) 6. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

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# QUARTER PEALS

**ARLEDON, CUMBERLAND.**—On September 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: D. P. Smith 1, R. I. Talbot 2, Hilary Swallow 3, Katherine Guy 4, C. H. Cook 5, T. Lewis 6, I. V. J. Smith (cond.) 7, D. J. M. Cox 8. First of Plain Bob Triples for all except the conductor. By St. Katherine's Society.

**BALDOCK, HERTS.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,280 London Surprise Major: J. S. Dear 1, C. Harwood 2, J. I. Dear 3, R. Castledine (cond.) 4, R. Trebilcock 5, D. Sutcliffe 6, E. Buck 7, M. Orme 8. For Evensong.

**BAWDRIPI, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 3rd, 1,272 Plain Bob Minimus: C. T. Clarke 1, W. K. Cavill 2, G. R. Marchant 3, M. J. Stone 4. A honeymoon send-off for Miss B. Durston and Mr. D. Selley (ringer). Believed to be the first quarter on the bells.

**BELTON (ISLE OF AXHOLME) Lincs.**—On Oct. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. Rose 1, J. Thorley 2, E. Dalington 3, M. Lings 4, F. A. Staveley 5, L. M. Woodhead (cond.) 6. For Harvest Festival service.

**BEXLEY, KENT.**—On October 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. D. Edey (first quarter) 1, D. J. Wimbhurst (first 'inside') 2, Margaret Ward 3, K. Medhurst 4, Mary R. Andrews (cond.) 5, D. A. Connolly 6. For Harvest Festival.

**BINSTED, HANTS.**—On Oct. 10th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: K. Sansom 1, Leslie Read (first of Stedman) 2, Mary White 3, D. Hughes 4, D. White (cond.) 5, B. Walton 6.

**BIRMINGHAM.**—At St. Philip's Cathedral, on Oct. 10th, 1,280 Irchester Surprise Major: Susan Funnell 1, J. A. Ainsworth 2, Muriel Réay 3, J. Insley 4, W. J. V. Conduct 5, N. J. Goodman 6, C. A. Barron 7, G. E. Fearn (cond.) 8. For C.E.M.S. service.

**BRIDGEND, GLAM.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles (4, 6, 8 covering): T. Frole 1, D. L. R. Jones 2, W. T. Pett (cond.) 3, D. L. Hughes 4, H. Preece 5, M. Crump 6, T. E. Hiddins 7, S. King 8. For Harvest Festival.

**BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.**—At St. Peter's, on Oct. 4th, 1,296 Grand-sire Caters: A. W. Bond 1, Peggy Taylor 2, Angela Wright 3, M. J. Bew (cond.) 4, Catherine M. Powell 5, P. J. Came 6, B. J. Stone 7, R. Talbot 8, J. C. Baldwin 9, D. P. Snoswell 10. Rung by Sussex University Guild and St. Peter's Society for the service at the opening of the academic year.

**BURGESS HILL, SUSSEX.**—On Oct. 11th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: Valerie J. Meadows (first quarter) 1, N. J. Wright 2, Rosemary F. D. Thompson (first 'inside') 3, Jean M. Hall 4, D. S. Anderson (first 'inside') 5, D. L. Hall 6, K. C. Knight (cond.) 7, A. Brown 8. Rung by a local band as a compliment to Harry Gravett who this week completed 60 years' service in this tower.

**BUTCOMBE, SOMERSET.**—On Sept. 21st, 1,260 Hereward Bob Minor: J. Brain 1, Rosemary Smith 2, A. Perry 3, E. Lee 4, R. Smith 5, M. Horesman (cond.) 6. First in method by all.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—On Sept. 27th, at the Church of Great St. Andrew, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: G. Pearson 1, K. J. Hesketh 2, H. F. Brown 3, I. Munroe 4, Dr. C. M. P. Johnson (cond.) 5, T. R. Dennis 6, F. E. Haynes 7, B. D. Threlfall 8. For Harvest Festival.

**CANTERBURY, KENT.**—On Oct. 12th at St. Stephen's Church, 1,280 Plain Bob Doubles: Mrs. G. M. Stockbridge 1, D. G. Mitchell 2, Diane M. Smith 3, R. B. Waddell 4, G. J. Nielson (cond.) 5, J. Waddell 6. First quarter 3, 4 and 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of J. W. Unwin, captain of this tower, created that day.

**CHALFONT ST. PETER, BUCKS.**—On Oct. 11th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: Mrs. E. G. Swift 1, Brian Edwards 2, Lucy Badcock 3, Ken C. Vickers 4, Stewart Lilly (first as cond.) 5, David Crammin 6. For Harvest Festival.

**CHARTHAM, KENT.**—On Oct. 3rd, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: K. I. Davis 1, D. Standing 2, P. A. Harrison 3, M. E. Harrison 4, R. Button (cond.) 5, R. H. Glover 6.

**CHARLTON KINGS, GLOS.**—On Oct. 8th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: Miss C. Bloxsome (first quarter) 1, J. Tyler 2, W. Drinkwater 3, Mrs. M. A. Wratten 4, G. Simmons 5, F. Stephens 6, C. A. Wratten (cond.) 7, P. Jones 8. For Harvest Festival.

**CHELSFIELD, KENT.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. S. Barnes (cond.) 1, Miss A. Galloway 2, Miss H. A. Martin 3, Miss J. Outhwaite 4, D. Parker 5, R. Hinde 6. For Harvest Festival.

**CLAPTON-IN-GORDANO, SOMERSET.**—On Sept. 29th, a quarter peal of Bob Minor: D. Gale 1, A. Lane 2, P. Gardner 3, R. Gale 4, A. Gould 5, F. Sandy (cond.) 6. For the Patronal Festival, and also a welcome to the new Rector, the Rev. R. O. Fry.

**COOKHAM, BERKS.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Miss M. Adamson 1, J. Dieppe 2, Mrs. M. Barton 3, E. Eldridge 4, T. Locock 5, M. Barton 6, J. Mullar (cond.) 7, W. Spicer (first quarter) 8. For Harvest Festival.

**COVENTRY.**—At St. Michael's, Stoke, on Oct 11th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: Jean Thompson 1, R. D. Hayne 2, Pamela Wright 3, K. Putnam 4, Margaret Pratt 5, R. D. Hart 6, A. R. Wright 7, G. Pratt (cond.) 8. First of Triples 1 and 4. For Harvest Festival.

**DEAN PRIOR, DEVON.**—On October 12th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. D. R. Bould 1, Miss M. Russell 2, A. L. Bennett 3, B. Shingler 4, H. F. Myers 5, D. R. Bould (cond.) 6.

**DROITWICH SPA, WORCS.**—At St. Peter-de-Witton on Oct. 4th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: Susan Barker 1, A. P. White 2, Jennifer Stone-Wigg 3, S. Bridge 4, P. Catermole (cond.) 5, Sylvia J. Cater 6. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

**DURLEIGH, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 4th 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss P. Bird 1, W. Selley (first of Plain Bob) 2, C. T. Clarke 3, B. G. Wylde (cond.) 4, G. R. Marchant 5, C. Dymet 6. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

**EGHAM, SURREY.**—On Sept. 19th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: Mrs. J. Knowles 1, Mrs. J. Parsons 2, Miss S. Aveyard (first Triples 'inside') 3, A. Flood (first of Triples) 4, C. K. Hill 5, D. Persons (cond.) 6. W. Peck 7, J. Ball (first quarter) 8. Rung for priesting of Rev. M. R. Young in Guildford Cathedral on September 20th. Also on Sept. 27th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: J. W. Priest 1, A. Flood 2, Miss S. Aveyard 3, Mrs. L. Hiscok 5, C. K. Hill 5, D. Parsons (cond.) 6, N. Summerhayes 7, D. Froome 8. For ordination of P. W. Dearnley in Southwark Cathedral this day. Also on Sept. 29th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: S. Elliott (first quarter) 1, A. Flood 2, Miss S. Aveyard 3, J. W. Priest 4, D. Parsons (cond.) 5, D. Froome 6, C. K. Hill 7, R. Tickner 8. For Harvest Supper.

**EPSOM COMMON, SURREY.**—On October 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: D. J. K. Paul (first of Triples) 1, Sally Parrott 2, Adrienne Gibson 3, R. E. Fentiman 4, W. Parrott 5, R. Ashmore 6, D. J. Herschell (cond.) 7, W. J. Munton 8. For Harvest Festival.

**FARMBOROUGH, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. Horseman 1, Sally Cobb 2, R. Smith 3, Rosemary Smith 4, A. Perry 5, D. Cobb (cond.) 6.

**FECKENHAM, WORCS.**—On October 11th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): J. W. Perkins 1, R. H. Hunt 2, Mrs. J. Newton 3, M. Leek 4, E. Styler (cond.) 5, R. Sutor 6, R. Barker 7, Anthony Hawkes (first quarter) 8. For Harvest Festival.

**FOLKESTONE, KENT.**—On October 4th, 1,260 Doubles (3 methods): Janice Saunders 1, Jane Hough 2, Vivienne Dye 3, Rachael Sinden 4, A. Berry (cond.) 5, Anne Barber 6. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

**GREAT BARR, STAFFS.**—On October 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Judith M. White 1, Susan M. White 2, D. J. Large (first quarter) 3, Denise J. Hargreaves 4, D. K. Lane (cond.) 5, L. R. Still 6. For Harvest Festival.

**GREAT EASTON, ESSEX.**—On Oct. 10th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): D. Wright 1, T. Coles 2, K. Warner 3, C. Wright 4, D. Ellisdon (cond.) 5, F. Taylor 6. Also 1,296 Cambridge S. Minor: D. Wright (first quarter of T.B.) 1, J. Bovack 2, K. Warner 3, C. Wright 4, D. Hewitt 5, D. Ellisdon (cond.) 6. A farewell to the Rector the Rev. E. S. Spray.

**HAGBOURNE, BERKS.**—On Oct. 5th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. R. White 1, M. Bishop (cond.) 2, Miss M. Thomas 3, L. F. Cox 4, C. J. Garlick 5, J. H. Napper 6, G. W. Bishop 7, E. Sawyer 8. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

**HANDSWORTH, WARWICKS.**—On Oct. 11th, 1,320 Olympic Doubles: S. Swift 1, Miss J. M. Yardley 2, M. Matthews 3, B. D. Sims (cond.) 4, M. F. Hall 5, R. Foster 6. Rung for Evensong, in this the year of the XVIII Olympiad in Japan. First quarter in the method.

**HAWKHURST, KENT.**—On October 1st, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: P. D. Harrison 1, Judy Bowen 2, L. W. Jarvis 3, E. G. Baker 4, W. Gorringe (cond.) 5, A. H. Kemp 6, S. G. Waters 7, B. W. Stevens 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Major Gen. G. Brunskill, churchwarden, 1957-64. Also on Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Linda P. Gunn 1, P. D. Harrison 2, Judy Bowen 3, E. G. Baker 4, L. W. Jarvis 5, W. Gorringe 6, S. G. Waters (cond.) 7, D. J. West 8. Rung on the middle 6, for Harvest Thanksgiving.

**HAYES, KENT.**—On October 4th, 1,272. Minor (Cambridge Surprise and Kent T.B.): Mrs. J. Ratcliffe 1, D. P. Smith 2, Miss H. Oakshott 3, M. F. Oaksett 4, D. M. Randall 5, J. W. Smith (cond.) 6. For Harvest Festival; also, a farewell to D. M. Randall who is leaving the district.

**HESTON, MIDDLESEX.**—On Oct. 10th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Mrs. J. Butcher 1, Miss C. Andrews 2, P. Ruth 3, A. Butcher 4, D. Fowles (cond.) 5, P. Golding 6. To celebrate the birth of a son to the Rev. John Eastaugh, Vicar.

**HIGH HALDEN, KENT.**—On Sept. 23rd, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: M. French (first quarter) 1, Violet Relf 2, L. Sweatman 3, Mrs. E. Stewart 4, J. Richards 5, G. Stewart (cond.) 6. A 60th birthday compliment to W. Marshall, father of ringer of 4.

**HOLME PIERREFONT, NOTTS.**—On Oct. 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Barker and J. Dowse 1, R. Marsh 2, R. Blackshaw 3, J. Heaps 4, C. R. Larkin 5, M. W. Harrison 6. Conducted by N. W. Harrison and J. Heaps. For Evensong.

**INGESTRE, STAFFS.**—On October 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. E. Dolman 1, C. W. Bowen 2, C. T. Collins 3, P. J. Barker 4, L. E. Monks 5, J. B. Webb (cond.) 6. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

**INGHAM, SUFFOLK.**—On October 11th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): R. G. Medcalf (first quarter) 1, A. F. Ballam 2, Miss D. M. Reeve 3, I. Underwood (cond.) 4, R. J. Stannard 5. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

**ISLIP, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.**—On October 5th, 1,440 London and Cambridge Surprise Minor: Mary R. Bloxam 1, R. H. Jones 2, Shelagh R. Collins 3, F. E. Coales 4, P. M. Fleckney (cond.) 5, M. A. Coleman 6.

**KIMPTON, HERTS.**—On October 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss M. Lander 1, Miss D. Angell 2, D. L. Cull 3, Mrs. H. Y. Price 4, J. G. Cull (cond.) 5, Mrs. P. Martin 6. To mark the christening of Caroline Ruth, daughter of Rev. K. G. Martin (Vicar) and Mrs. Martin.

**KIRK ELLA, EAST YORKS.**—On Sept. 13th, 1,260 Minor (720 St. Clement's, 540 Plain Bob): Linda Dalton 1, Patricia Samuel 2, A. Baxter 3, G. K. Smith 4, H. C. Palmer 5, A. B. Cooper (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also on Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Linda Dalton 1, Vivienne Kirk (first 'inside') 2, M. J. Wilson 3, K. Kirk 4, H. C. Palmer (first of Bob Minor as cond.) 5, D. S. Johnson 6. For Evensong.

**LEIGHTON BUZZARD, BEDS.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: A. Jeffs (first of Major) 1, H. B. Whitney 2, W. A. Yates 3, P. Williams 4, K. G. Spavins 5, R. Woodruff 6, R. R. Churchill 7, G. W. Holland (cond.) 8. For the ordinations of Peter Banham, Norman Wadsworth, J. Michael Stephens, and Bruce Grainger.

**LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK.**—On October 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: G. W. Howlett 1, S. F. High 2, R. W. Coates 3, H. Meadows 4, L. M. Raphael 5, D. Carr 6, J. B. Pickup (cond.) 7, A. E. Crowe 8. For Harvest Festival.

**LOXTON, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 3rd, 1,260 Double Court Bob Minor: E. Lee 1, Rosemary Smith 2, Sally Cobb 3, J. Brain 4, D. Cobb 5, M. Horseman (cond.) 6.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On Oct. 11th, 1,272 Minimus: M. Malcolmson 1, Myrtle Cook 2, Elizabeth Todd 3, R. P. Brotherton 4, David Gower 5. For Evensong.

**MARTOCK, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 10th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. W. Dyer 1, G. S. Morris 2, P. Hull 3, V. Roberts 4, R. D. Short 5, G. Gaylord 6, H. J. Gaylord (cond.) 7, G. R. Boyce 8.

**NEWARK-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.**—On Oct. 11th, 1,259 Grand-sire Caters: J. Laverack 1, P. Rathby 2, Elisabeth A. Tutty 3, Margaret E. Chilton 4, Anne E. Bateson 5, A. E. Chilton 6, W. L. Exton (cond.) 7, F. G. Hooper 8, J. W. Rathby 9, H. Stevenson 6. First quarter of Caters 1 and 2. A birthday compliment to Elisabeth A. Tutty.

**NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.**—At St. Stephen's Church, on Oct. 11th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: W. Davidson 1, E. N. Harrison 2, J. Crowther 3, J. F. Errington 4, T. Sewell 5, K. Arthur (cond.) 6, M. Maughan 7, R. Kilpatrick 8. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

**NEWTON HALL, NORTHUMBERLAND.**—On Oct. 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: T. Sewell 1, D. G. Hall 2, W. Davidson 3, K. Arthur (cond.) 4, E. N. Harrison 5, M. Maughan 6. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

**NORTHCHURCH, HERTS.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: D. Elkins 1, A. Talbot-Ponsonby 2, Miss H. Talbot-Ponsonby 3, J. Lawson (first in method) 4, A. R. Ashby (first as cond.) 5, F. Pocock 6. First quarter 1, 2, 3 and 6. First on bells by local band. For Evensong.

**PENYFAL, BRIDGEND, GLAM.**—On Oct. 5th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: T. E. Hiddins 1, D. L. R. Jones 2, W. T. Pettet (cond.) 3, H. Preece 4, D. W. Davies 5. For Harvest Festival.



**MR. ALBERT J. DUNK**

There were many sad hearts in the Rochester District of the Kent County Association following the sudden death of Mr. Albert J. Dunk, of Stockbury. Only the previous Saturday he had attended the Rochester District's first dinner, which he had organised. The following Wednesday evening, after ringing practice at Stockbury Church, where he was captain, he presided as chairman over the Stockbury Parish Council meeting. During the evening he was taken ill but recovered sufficiently to start his homeward journey, but collapsed on the way. On Friday he was rushed to hospital and had an emergency operation, from which he did not recover, and died on Friday, October 9th. His wife was at his bedside during his last hours.

Albert J. Dunk, aged 55 years, was well known in the Kent County ringing circles as Bert, and to many young ringers as 'Uncle Albert.' He was born at Greenwich and moved to Stockbury as a young boy. Educated at Stockbury School, he had lived in the village for nearly 50 years.

Among his many village activities, he was chairman of the Stockbury Memorial Hall. A good churchman, he had served on the Church Council and also as a sidesman and churchwarden. For seven years he represented the Rochester District on the Kent County Association and he will be missed by all who knew him.

The cremation service took place at Vinter's Park, Maidstone, on October 13th, which was conducted by the Rev. Stanley Evans. There were many ringers and friends present, and villagers from Stockbury. Much love and sympathy go out from us all to his devoted wife, Dorothy.

The bells at Stockbury, Newington and Rainham were rung half-muffled at a tribute. F.C.

**OBITUARY****MR. E. M. ATKINS****AN APPRECIATION**

'A Flat' writes:—

'I first met "E. M. A." on December 28th, 1911, when he rang our tenor to a peal of Minor in seven methods. Between then and 1919 we saw a good deal of him in the Leicester District as his uncle or grandfather was Vicar of St. Nicholas', Leicester, and chaplain at Wyggeston Hospital. Whenever he called at St. John's a good practice night ensued. I rang five peals with him during that period and was in several other attempts.

'One at Stoney Stanton was quite a comedy. There was "W.W." and one of his daughters, myself and brother, Maurice and three Cambridge pals. We went for Double Norwich Court Bob Major. When we had rung a plain course to a good beat, "W.W." wanted to know what was the game. W. D. James said he thought Maurice was calling it. We restarted and rang for well over an hour when someone called "Stand! I have missed a bob."

'Maurice was an enthusiast and did not mind toiling. Although I don't recall having seen him since 1919, I have followed his career. "All the better for knowing him" is my verdict.'

**YATTON, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 8th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: Mrs. C. Porter 1. P. Gifford-England 2. G. Pullin 3. S. G. Smith 4. F. Sandy 5. E. A. Price 6. H. A. Price (cond.) 7. J. K. Baker 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Ray Lewis, vicar's warden.

**WORTHING, SUSSEX.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Siedman Triples: E. Jane Sibson 1. H. Weaver 2. J. R. Wilson 3. R. P. Wood 4. Derek Sibson (cond.) 5. H. Butler 6. L. Stilwell 7. R. Cox 8. With best wishes to R. Wood, sen., on his 80th birthday.

**MR. J. W. UNWIN**

We regret to record the death at the age of 81 of Mr. John W. Unwin, of Canterbury, which occurred yesterday in a Canterbury hospital. Born at Chesterford, near Cambridge, he spent all his working life in the Post Office, with periods of service at Penshurst, Tenterden, Towcester and finally at Canterbury, retiring in 1946. He was awarded the Imperial Service Medal after 40 years' service. It was at Penshurst that he met his future wife, who was a daughter of the late Mr. W. E. Spice. They celebrated their golden wedding in 1959.

Mr. Unwin was a member of the Cathedral company, being elected in 1922, was made treasurer in 1944 and captain in 1946; he held both offices at the time of his death. It was in his own parish of St. Stephen's, however, that most of his work for the church was done. He was a member of the choir and church council and during his retirement spent many hours doing both manual and clerical work. He revived the ringing band there. A member of the Kent County Association for many years, he had served as a representative of the Canterbury District.

Post Office representatives, ringers and friends filled St. Stephen's Church for the choral service, which was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. R. C. Desch), the lesson being read by the Archdeacon of Canterbury (the Ven. A. Sargent) and the Blessing pronounced by Bishop Rose. Following the service quarter peals were rung at both the Cathedral and St. Stephen's.

He will be sadly missed by his ringing friends and his church. To the many messages of sympathy already received many will be added by those who knew him. B.J.L.

The peal rung at West Stow, Bury St. Edmunds, on September 5th was for the passing of Mr. F. W. Rickwood, and not as stated.

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The bells of St. Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne, were rededicated on October 4th and a contingent of Sydney ringers were present. Miss M. Collins, from Adelaide, who visited Melbourne a week later writes: 'They go like tops and sounded delightful on TV the other night. The circle is now almost perfect and smaller. The ringing chamber has been painted and the whole looks very clean, fresh and spacious.'

Sheffield University Guild have rung their first quarter of Triples.

It was Pat Bird and not Tudor Edwards who purchased the hunting horn to rally members of Bristol University on tour.

The peal at Leigh, Surrey, on October 17th, is claimed to be the first on the bells for 34 years.

The place notation of Sedgley Surprise Major, No. 21, appears at the foot of page 704. We are asked to state that this was a composition by Mr. C. J. Sedgley.

Ted Rochester's ringers during their week-end in Bath and the West explored the Hot Baths, Royal Crescent and Lansdowne Road. 'Naturally, mist shrouded all the views,' adds our entertaining correspondent.

The quarter peal at Saxilby on October 10th, was rung by the bride and bridegroom, two of the bridesmaids, the best man and the bride's father. All are members of the Sunday service band.

Mrs. F. E. Collins, who came to listen to the peal attempt at Painswick of Stedman Cinques, kindly stood in when the band turned up one short. In some respects the Painswick Youths scored a lucky peal as the clapper of the tenor fell out as the bells were being lowered.

We feel that Mr. J. A. D. Woolford, who rang the 59 cwt. tenor at York Minster and conducted the peal of Bob Maximus on October 3rd, deserves to rank among the tenor kings of the country. It was a fine performance. A friend informs us that Mr. Woolford was the first to turn in Liverpool Cathedral tenor to a touch. His ringing career will be watched with interest.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

The fine performance of Mr. A. Lawton in ringing in a peal at Broughton, Staffs, where he is tower captain (see page 696), was actually a double occasion. The peal also honoured the golden wedding of his friends, Mr. and Mrs. J. Fortnam, of the Rudge Farm, Ashley.

In regard to the Ancient Society of College Youths' peal at East Coker, Somerset, on October 17th, it was the first time that any of the band had rung the full extent (5,600) of Middleton's composition of Cambridge Surprise Major.

Back in ringing and back in the headlines is Mr. James Bennett, of Grundisburgh. He not only rang a quarter peal, but called it. Jim wants one more peal for 1,300 and is going to have a jolly good try to get it. We wish him luck for his good old English pluck.

The peal of Grandsire Cinques at Buckfast Abbey on October 10th is only the second 12-bell peal by residents of the Guild, the first one being at Exeter Cathedral on January 9th, 1926, which was composed and conducted by the Rev. E. S. Powell, who was at the time Vicar of Holbeton, near Plymouth. The conductor (Mr. F. E. Day) wishes the name of Mr. T. G. Myers, Captain of St. Andrew's, Plymouth, to be associated with this peal because without his help, guidance and enthusiasm, the peal would not have been attempted. It is interesting to note that the peal was composed by 'Knights' and conducted by 'Day.'

As we go to press we learn with regret of the passing of a veteran ringer, Mr. W. H. Clarke, of Leicester, who succeeded Mr. Wm. Willson as Master and steeplekeeper of St. John the Divine's Church in 1936. At 86 years, he found it impossible to climb to the ringing chamber. Another notification of death concerns Mr. Sidney Alfred Paice, who died on October 11th, aged 78. A native of Horsham, he was secretary of the Horsham Society for many years and hon. treasurer at the time of his decease. Obituary notices will appear next week.

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## CHESHIRE RINGERS' PEAL TOUR IN IRELAND

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DROGHEDA, Louth.—At St. Peter's Church.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt, 18 lb. in E flat.

Basil Jones .. .. Treble	Neil Bennett .. .. 5
Brian J. Woodruffe .. .. 2	A. Peter Whitehead .. .. 6
William H. Dowse .. .. 3	David J. Llewellyn .. .. 7
Harold C. Lanyon .. .. 4	John Robinson .. .. Tenor

Composed by Ernest Bennett.

Conducted by Neil Bennett.

DUBLIN.—At St. Patrick's National Cathedral.

On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 4 Hours and 3 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

*Colin A. Lewis .. .. Treble	†Fred E. Dukes .. .. 7
Basil Jones .. .. 2	Neil Bennett .. .. 8
Harold C. Lanyon .. .. 3	William H. Dowse .. .. 9
David J. Llewellyn .. .. 4	Brian J. Woodruffe .. .. 10
John Robinson .. .. 5	A. Peter Whitehead .. .. 11
John Worth .. .. 6	Robert B. Smith .. .. Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.

Conducted by John Worth.

\* First peal on 12 bells. † First of Surprise Maximus, completing Cambridge from Minor to Maximus, and being the first Irishman to do so; also 150th peal for the Association.

In memoriam Thomas McMaron and Joseph Atkinson, both ringers at this tower for over 50 years. Tenor 45 cwt, 1 qr. 18 lb. in C.

DUBLIN.—At St. George's Church.

On Sun., Sept. 27, 1964, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt, 3 qr. in E flat.

Robert B. Smith .. .. Treble	David J. Llewellyn .. .. 5
Harold C. Lanyon .. .. 2	*Basil Jones .. .. 6
A. Peter Whitehead .. .. 3	Brian J. Woodruffe .. .. 7
Neil Bennett .. .. 4	William H. Dowse .. .. Tenor

Composed by Rev. H. Law James.

Conducted by A. Peter Whitehead.

\* 600th peal.

KILKENNY.—At St. Canice's Cathedral Church.

On Mon., Sept. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt. in E flat.

A. Peter Whitehead .. .. Treble	Robert B. Smith .. .. 5
William H. Dowse .. .. 2	Brian J. Woodruffe .. .. 6
Harold C. Lanyon .. .. 3	Basil Jones .. .. 7
John Robinson .. .. 4	Neil Bennett .. .. Tenor

Composed by Richard F. B. Speed.

Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

BRAY, Wicklow.—At Christ Church.

On Tues., Sept. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 28 cwt, 1 qr. 17 lb. in D.

David J. Llewellyn .. .. Treble	Neil Bennett .. .. 5
Harold C. Lanyon .. .. 2	William H. Dowse .. .. 6
Robert B. Smith .. .. 3	A. Peter Whitehead .. .. 7
John Robinson .. .. 4	Brian J. Woodruffe .. .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen J. Ivin.

Conducted by Robert B. Smith.

## FIVE PEALS IN A DAY

All rung for the Leicester Diocesan Guild on Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, at the Bell Foundry Campanile, Loughborough. Tenor 6 cwt, 2 qr. 13 lb. in B.

In 2 Hours and 26 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Philip Mehew .. .. Treble	David J. Allen .. .. 5
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 2	Peter S. Bennett .. .. 6
George E. Thoday .. .. 3	C. Martin Press .. .. 7
Gerald Penney .. .. 4	John H. Fielden .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. C. Middleton.

Conducted by Kenneth J. Hesketh.

In 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Philip Mehew .. .. Treble	Peter S. Bennett .. .. 5
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 2	George E. Thoday .. .. 6
John H. Fielden .. .. 3	Gerald Penney .. .. 7
C. Martin Press .. .. 4	David J. Allen .. .. Tenor

Composed by James W. Washbrook.

Conducted by John H. Fielden.

In 2 Hours and 17 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

*John H. Fielden .. .. Treble	Gerald Penney .. .. 5
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 2	Philip Mehew .. .. 6
C. Martin Press .. .. 3	George E. Thoday .. .. 7
David J. Allen .. .. 4	Peter S. Bennett .. .. Tenor

Composed by P. G. K. Davies.

Conducted by George E. Thoday.

\* 200th peal. 75th as conductor.

In 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

C. Martin Press .. .. Treble	George E. Thoday .. .. 5
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 2	David J. Allen .. .. 6
*Gerald Penney .. .. 3	John H. Fielden .. .. 7
Peter S. Bennett .. .. 4	Philip Mehew .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. Poyner.

Conducted by Peter S. Bennett.

\* 200th peal.

In 2 Hours and 16 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Peter S. Bennett .. .. Treble	C. Martin Press .. .. 5
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 2	Gerald Penney .. .. 6
David J. Allen .. .. 3	Philip Mehew .. .. 7
John H. Fielden .. .. 4	George E. Thoday .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. Craven.

Conducted by David J. Allen.

The above peals were all witnessed by Maurice C. Hughes.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

CITY OF LONDON.—At St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside.

On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 3 Hours and 40 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 42 cwt.

Roger F. Overington .. .. Treble	Dennis Randall .. .. 7
Raymond G. Cousins .. .. 2	John D. Rock .. .. 8
John Chilcott .. .. 3	Wilfred Williams .. .. 9
John Phillips .. .. 4	James Phillips .. .. 10
David T. Darby .. .. 5	Michael P. Moreton .. .. 11
John S. Mason .. .. 6	John H. Crampson .. .. Tenor

Composed by David E. Parsons.

Conducted by John Chilcott.

Rung in honour of the ordination in St. Paul's Cathedral on Sept. 29th, of the Revd. Brooke K. Lunn.

PAINSWICK, Gloucestershire.—At St. Mary's Church.

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 26 cwt, 2 qr. 19 lb. in D.

Walter F. Judge .. .. Treble	Michael J. Fellows .. .. 7
William Hibbert .. .. 2	Martin D. Fellows .. .. 8
Mrs. F. E. Collins .. .. 3	Edgar J. Smith .. .. 9
Geoffrey J. Hemming .. .. 4	Gerald C. Hemming .. .. 10
Cyril A. Wratten .. .. 5	Frederick E. Collins .. .. 11
Fredk. A. H. Wilkins .. .. 6	Francis A. White .. .. Tenor

Composed by Charles W. Roberts.

Conducted by Walter F. Judge.

EAST COKER, Somerset.—At St. Michael and All Angels' Church.

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5600 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt.

Edward J. Chivers .. .. Treble	Edgar C. Shepherd .. .. 5
*David G. Massey .. .. 2	Raymond E. J. Baker .. .. 6
Ronald G. Beck .. .. 3	David T. H. Robertson .. .. 7
*Norman G. N. Knee .. .. 4	George W. Massey .. .. Tenor

Composed by Charles Middleton.

Conducted by George W. Massey.

\* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Major.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

WRINGTON, Somerset.—At All Saints' Church.

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5031 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 36 cwt, 2 qr. 23 lb. in C flat.

Maxwell F. Oakshett .. .. Treble	John E. Chilcott .. .. 6
William H. Kingcott .. .. 2	Henry J. Sanger .. .. 7
Geoffrey H. Pullin .. .. 3	Sidney G. Smith .. .. 8
George Prescott .. .. 4	Rev. Roger O. Fry .. .. 9
John Brain .. .. 5	Eric T. Lee .. .. Tenor

Composed by F. Nolan Golden.

Conducted by John E. Chilcott.

In memoriam John H. B. Hesse.

BRIDGWATER, Somerset.—At St. Mary's Church.

On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Bruerton's Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part.

Tenor 25 cwt, 1 qr. 9 lb. in D.

*Harold Emery .. .. Treble	Brian J. Wyld .. .. 5
Frederick W. Sweet .. .. 2	Cecil T. Clarke .. .. 6
Geoffrey R. Marchant .. .. 3	Michael J. Stone .. .. 7
Gilbert G. Davis .. .. 4	George T. Burge .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Brian J. Wyld.

\* First peal on eight bells.

CHEW MAGNA, Somerset.—At St. Andrew's Church.

On Fri., Oct. 16, 1964, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 28 cwt, 1 qr. 15 lb. in C.

Eric T. Lee .. .. Treble	Leonard Derrick .. .. 5
Miss F. J. H. Oakshett .. .. 2	George Prescott .. .. 6
Maxwell F. Oakshett .. .. 3	William H. Kingcott .. .. 7
Geoffrey H. Pullin .. .. 4	Rev. Roger O. Fry .. .. Tenor

Composed by John E. Burton.

Conducted by Rev. Roger O. Fry.

Rung in memoriam John H. B. Hesse.

DUNKERTON, Somerset.—At All Saints' Church.

On Friday, Oct. 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 12 methods, viz. six extents of Grandsire, four each of Reverse St. Bartholomew, St. Simon's, St. Martin's, St. Nicholas, Winchendon Place, five each of Plain Bob and Reverse Canterbury, two each of St. Remigius and St. Osmund, and one each of April Day and Clifford's Pleasure. Tenor 5 cwt, 18 lb.

T. Milsom .. .. Treble	D. Orledge .. .. 4
D. Burt .. .. 2	R. Purnell .. .. 5
P. Gaisford .. .. 3	A. Butt .. .. Tenor

Conducted by R. Purnell.

A wedding compliment to Ted Cribble and Jackie Houghton, married at Minchinhampton on October 10th.



## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

SEAVINGTON, Somerset.—At St. Mary's Church.  
On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

*William A. Whetham .. Treble	Rev. C. J. B. Marshall .. 4
Gilbert W. Rendell .. 2	Reginald Beale .. 5
Alan W. D. Robinson .. 3	William E. Turner .. Tenor

Conducted by William E. Turner.

\* First peal of Minor.

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CAMBRIDGE.—At St. Andrew-the-Great Church.

On Thurs., Oct. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in G.

G. H. Jones (St. John's) .. Treble	K. J. Triplow (Selwyn) .. 5
C. M. P. Johnson (Selwyn) .. 2	K. J. Darvill (St. Cath's) .. 6
B. D. Threlfall (Trinity) .. 3	F. E. Haynes (St. Cath's) .. 7
C. H. Rogers (Emmanuel) .. 4	S. C. Walters (Pembroke) Tenor

Composed by Sir Arthur P. Heywood. Conducted by S. C. Walters.  
Rung half-muffled in memoriam E. M. Atkins, Master 1910-1912.

ICKLETON, Cambridgeshire.—At St. Mary Magdalene's Church.

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb. in E.

F. E. Haynes (St. Cath's) Treble	K. J. Triplow (Selwyn) .. 5
*G. H. Jones (St. John's) .. 2	*R. M. Damerell (Corpus) .. 6
V. Nutton (Selwyn) .. 3	*J. A. Harrison (Sidney) .. 7
*S. P. Darvill (Downing) .. 4	W. J. Ridgeman (Queen's) Tenor

Conducted by V. Nutton.

\* First peal of Yorkshire.

## THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

DAVENTRY, Northants.—At the Holy Cross Church.

On Fri., Sept. 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 EASTCOTE SURPRISE MAJOR

Twenty-seven course block, reduced. Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.

Stanley F. Webb .. Treble	Hubert E. Ashley .. 5
Edward Holdsworth .. 2	Geoffrey Pratt .. 6
Patrick I. Chapman .. 3	Ernest J. Gower .. 7
David J. Allen .. 4	Peter Border .. Tenor

Conducted by Peter Border.

First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Guild.

## THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

BUCKFASTLEIGH, Devon.—At St. Mary's Benedictine Abbey.

On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 3 Hours and 44 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5081 GRANDSIRE CINQUES

Tenor 41 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lb. in C.

Herbert C. Spencer .. Treble	†Martin F. Lock .. 7
*Ann E. Fellows .. 2	†Colin Reeves .. 8
Margaret A. Bould .. 3	Frank D. Mack .. 9
Robert A. Southwood .. 4	Norman Mallett .. 10
D. Roy Bould .. 5	*A. William Myers .. 11
†Frederick E. Day .. 6	†William J. Harvey .. Tenor

Composed by A. Knights.

\* First peal of Grandsire Cinques. † First on 12 bells. ‡ First in the method and of Cinques.

In memory of E. Maurice Atkins, general secretary of the Guild. 1956-1964.

## THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

NEWCASTLE.—At St. Nicholas' Cathedral Church.

On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 37 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb.

*M. Elaine Murcott .. Treble	*Michael Maughan .. 6
†Iris Thompson .. 2	David J. Marshall .. 7
Kenneth Lawson .. 3	George S. Deas .. 8
*William G. Wilson .. 4	Alan R. Patterson .. 9
†James Crowther .. 5	Eric N. Harrison .. Tenor

Composed by Henry Dains.

\* First of Bob Royal. † First on ten bells. ‡ First on ten as conductor.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

MISTLEY, Essex.—At St. Mary's Church.

On Wed., Oct. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven 720's as follows: (1) Double Court, (2) Cambridge Surprise, (3) St. Clement's, (4) Double Oxford, (5) Oxford T.B., (6) Plain Bob. (7) Kent T.B. Tenor 12½ cwt. in F sharp.

Percy May .. Treble	Alan R. Bridges .. 4
Alfred E. Honeywood .. 2	Frank B. Lufkin .. 5
George E. Symonds .. 3	Walter Arnold .. Tenor

Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

HENBURY, BRISTOL.—At St. Mary-the-Virgin's Church.

On Wed., Oct. 14, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. in E flat.

*John Tyers .. Treble	†Brian Huddleston .. 5
Gillian M. Hussey .. 2	Richard J. Bowden .. 6
George Locke .. 3	J. Anthony Bennett .. 7
†David Huddleston .. 4	D. John Hunt .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. Pritchard.

Conducted by D. John Hunt.

\* First peal. † First of Major.

## THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

ALDERSHOT, Hampshire.—At St. Michael's Church.

On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb.

William H. Viggers .. Treble	W. John Couperthwaite .. 5
Jessie M. Kippin .. 2	Peter J. Joyce .. 6
*C. Kenneth Williamson .. 3	Robert C. Kippin .. 7
*Jennifer M. B. Cook .. 4	Tom Page .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. Parker.

Conducted by Tom Page.

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

Rung to mark the opening of St. Michael's Mission Week.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BENINGTON, Hertfordshire.—At St. Peter's Church.

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES

Tenor 12 cwt.

*F. Jack Robinson .. Treble	Claudia A. Critchley .. 5
J. Richard Castledine .. 2	Jack S. Dear .. 6
Vernon Green .. 3	Colin A. S. Harwood .. 7
Eric Edmondson .. 4	G. William Critchley .. Tenor

Composed by J. J. Parker.

Conducted by Claudia A. Critchley.

\* First peal away from the tenor. First in the method by all, except ringers of 5 and 7.

Rung to honour Rev. R. J. Davies, Rector of this parish, installed as Canon of St. Albans Cathedral on this day.

BUSHEY, Hertfordshire.—At St. James' Church.

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb.

Christopher W. Woolley Treble	Martyn L. J. Jordan .. 5
Alick Cutler .. 2	J. Howard Freeborn .. 6
*Christine M. Rimmer .. 3	Roger Baldwin .. 7
Peter F. Windley .. 4	Kenneth R. Dunstan .. Tenor

Conducted by Christopher W. Woolley.

\* First peal in the method.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

WROTHAM, Kent.—At St. George's Church.

On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 20 cwt. 10 lb. in E flat.

Judith M. Corby .. Treble	Andrew J. Corby .. 5
*Mrs. P. A. Corby .. 2	Treyor A. Cross .. 6
Cyril S. Jarrett .. 3	Martin L. Howe .. 7
Bernard F. L. Groves .. 4	Philip A. Corby .. Tenor

Composed by Charles W. Roberts (C.C.C. 25).

Conducted by Philip A. Corby.

\* First peal in the method.

ELHAM, Kent.—At St. Mary-the-Virgin's Church.

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, comprising 1,824 Bristol, 1,344 Cambridge, 1,152 Superlative and 768 London, with 99 changes of method.

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

Ian H. Oram .. Treble	John S. Barnes .. 5
*Ann Jenner .. 2	Ralph Bird .. 6
Doris E. Colgate .. 3	Stanley Jenner .. 7
Arthur S. Richards .. 4	Thomas Cullingworth .. Tenor

Composed by H. G. Cashmore (C.C.C. 10).

Conducted by Stanley Jenner.

\* First peal of Spliced Surprise 'inside.' First of Spliced as conductor.

LITTLE CHART, Kent.—At St. Mary-of-the-Holy Rood Church.

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 14 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of St. Clement's, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Cambridge Surprise, Single Oxford, Double Oxford and Plain Bob.

Tenor 6 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. in B.

Cyril S. Jarrett .. Treble	Rev. Peter N. Bond .. 4
Alexander Waddington .. 2	Christopher T. Osenton .. 5
Bernard F. L. Groves .. 3	Trevor A. Cross .. Tenor

Conducted by Christopher T. Osenton.

First peal of Minor as conductor.

Rung in memoriam Albert J. Dunk, of Stockbury, Kent, who died suddenly on October 9th.



**WATERINGBURY, Kent.—At St. John-the-Baptist's Church.***On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR**

In 25 methods: (1) Chester, Newcastle, Alnwick and Munden, (2) Lincoln, Coldstream and Redbourn, (3) Northumberland and Carlisle, (4) London, Dearne Valley, Cuneastre and Wells, (5) Norfolk, Ipswich, Cambridge and Primrose, (6) Wearmouth and Lightfoot, (7) York, Durham, Berwick, Surfleet, Hexham and Beverley; with 123 changes of method.

David S. Osenton .. .. Treble	Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in B flat.
*Mary S. Taylor .. .. 2	Andrew M. Macve .. .. 4
John Faircloth .. .. 3	Ian H. Oram .. .. 5
	Thomas Cullingworth .. Tenor

Conducted by Ian H. Oram.

\* Most methods to a peal.

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.****ST. HELENS, Lancashire.—At St. Thomas's Church.***On Sun., Oct. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Tenor 9 cwt.

Tudor P. Edwards .. .. Treble	Dennis R. Jones .. .. 5
Jack N. Brown .. .. 2	F. John Nelson .. .. 6
Richard S. Starkie .. .. 3	Thomas W. Hesketh .. .. 7
Malcolm A. Phillips .. .. 4	James Hedgecock .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. Washbrook. Conducted by Thomas W. Hesketh.  
Rung after Confirmation service at the above church.

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.****MONKS KIRBY, Warwickshire.—At St. Editha's Church.***On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5056 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 24½ cwt. in D.

A. James Poynor .. .. Treble	Brian S. Chapman .. .. 5
*Garry W. Mason .. .. 2	Alan E. Hartley .. .. 6
*Malcolm E. Wade .. .. 3	A. Maxwell Lindsey .. .. 7
William A. Lacey .. .. 4	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. Hattersley. Conducted by William A. Lacey.  
\* First peal in the method.

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.****BARROW-ON-HUMBER, Lincolnshire.—At Holy Trinity Church.***On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr.

*Walter Ayre .. .. Treble	†Jack Bray .. .. 5
Ronald Chafer .. .. 2	John Hall .. .. 6
††Michael W. Crowder .. .. 3	*W. Arthur Crowder .. .. 7
††Sepimus Neave .. .. 4	Philip Barnes .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. Washbrook. Conducted by Michael W. Crowder.  
\* 825th peal. † 50th peal together. †† 50th peal together. ‡ First in the method 'inside'. First in the method as conductor.

Rung as a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Crowder.

**HORBLING, Lincolnshire.—At St. Andrew's Church.***On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent each of Double Oxford, Single Oxford, Double Court, Single Court, St. Clement's, and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

*James Lyons .. .. Treble	Ronald Russell .. .. 4
†Richard A. Webster .. .. 2	George F. Roome .. .. 5
*Richard A. Hunt .. .. 3	James H. Musson .. .. Tenor

Conducted by James H. Musson.

\* First in six methods. † 50th peal.

A birthday compliment to the conductor.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.****WILLESDEN, Middlesex.—At St. Mary's Church.***On Thurs., Oct. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5280 LALEHAM SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

J. Richard Castledine .. Treble	Claudia A. Critchley .. .. 5
John Hill .. .. 2	G. William Critchley .. .. 6
Susan E. Smith .. .. 3	Thomas J. Lock .. .. 7
Alick Cutler .. .. 4	John R. Mayne .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by John R. Mayne.

The first peal in the method.

**LALEHAM SURPRISE MAJOR:**

-58-4-12-36-14-3, 16-16, 3, 8th's place i.e. 4th's place hobs.

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.****GORLESTON, Norfolk.—At St. Andrew's Church.***On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt.

A. William Bird .. .. Treble	*Michael T. Stimson .. .. 5
*Stephen High .. .. 2	William B. Duncan .. .. 6
Peter Kindred .. .. 3	J. Barry Pickup .. .. 7
*Arthur J. Stimson .. .. 4	Roland H. Cook .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. Craven.

Conducted by Roland H. Cook.

\* First peal in the method.

**NORWICH.—At St. George's Church, Colegate.***On Thurs., Oct. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being one extent each of Double Bob, Norwich Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, combined Kent and Oxford T.B., Double Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt. in G.

John Cox .. .. Treble	David Cubitt .. .. 4
David Heighton .. .. 2	David E. House .. .. 5
Martin Cubitt .. .. 3	Peter Adcock .. .. Tenor

Conducted by David Heighton.

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.****BICESTER, Oxfordshire.—At St. Edburg's Church.***On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5056 FORDCOMBE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt.

Peter D. Beedie .. .. Treble	Peter Pearce .. .. 5
Peter J. Heritage .. .. 2	Brian W. Hall .. .. 6
Frederick W. Soden .. .. 3	D. Kay Adkins .. .. 7
Charles Coles .. .. 4	*Christopher C. Clarke .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pittsow.

\* 150th peal. The first peal in the method by all the band, except for the ringer of the fourth.

**BURNHAM, Buckinghamshire.—At St. Peter's Church.***On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb. in F sharp.

J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part. .. Treble	Ronald Snack .. .. 5
E. Russell Gotham .. .. 2	Geoffrey Riglar .. .. 6
Howard Oglesby .. .. 3	Richard E. Dean .. .. 7
*Frances Proctor .. .. 4	L. Joseph Young .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Richard E. Dean.

\* First peal 'inside' in the method.

**(NORTH BUCKS. BRANCH.)****NEWTON LONGUEVILLE, Buckinghamshire.—At St. Faith's Church.***On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Sir A. P. Heywood's transposition of Thurstans'. .. Tenor 12 cwt. in G.	
W. A. Yates .. .. Treble	Roger Cadamy .. .. 5
Raymond A. Vickers .. .. 2	Donald J. Meager .. .. 6
Terry Page .. .. 3	George W. Holland .. .. 7
Joseph Marks .. .. 4	Albert E. Daniells .. .. Tenor

Conducted by George W. Holland.

Rung as a 70th birthday compliment to Joseph Marks, of Bleckley.

**THE OXFORD SOCIETY.****APPLETON, Berkshire.—At St. Laurence's Church.***On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in E.

*J. Edward Cawser .. .. Treble	Malcolm E. Wade .. .. 6
Monica M. Jelley .. .. 2	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. 7
*Beryl E. Cawser .. .. 3	Leslie N. Melton .. .. 8
Patricia A. Morris .. .. 4	Russell S. Morris .. .. 9
W. Ernest Rawson .. .. 5	John M. Jelley .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. Edward Cawser.

\* 50th peal together.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.****HOAR CROSS, Staffordshire.—At Holy Angels Church.***On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.***A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in 16 methods: (1) London and Wells, (2) Durham and York, (3) Beverley and Surfleet, (4) Cambridge and Ipswich, (5) Norfolk and Primrose, (6) Thelwall, Childwall, St. Clement's and Double Oxford, (7) Plain and Double Bob. Tenor 28 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in D flat.

Maurice G. Ingram .. .. Treble	John C. Eisel .. .. 4
Robert E. Hardy .. .. 2	Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 5
Edward W. Colley .. .. 3	Clifford A. Barron .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

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**THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**PEWSEY, Wiltshire.**—At St. John-the-Baptist's Church.  
*On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents.

*Richard S. Fisher .. .. Treble	†K. Barry Osborne .. .. 4
Pamela A. Osborne .. .. 2	Samuel J. Cottle .. .. 5
Dennis A. Powney .. .. 3	Derrick P. Bailey .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Derrick P. Bailey.

\* First peal, first attempt. † First of Minor 'inside.'

**CASTLE EATON, Wiltshire.**—At St. Mary-the-Virgin's Church.  
*On Sun., Oct. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Consisting of 14 methods in the following seven extents: (1) St. Clement's and Plain Bob, (2) St. Clement's, Childwall, Buxton, Double Oxford, Thelwall and Pinehurst, (3) St. Clement's, Childwall, Buxton, College, Wavertree and Rodbourne, (4) Kent T.B., (5) Sandal and Oxford T.B., (6) Cambridge Surprise, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 7½ cwt.

Brian Bladon .. .. Treble	E. William Ford .. .. 4
*Robert K. White .. .. 2	†Derek J. Carr .. .. 5
Anthony R. Peake .. .. 3	Gordon W. Land .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Anthony R. Peake.

\* First peal. † First peal away from treble.

Rung for the service of Harvest Thankoffering.

**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**NORTON DISNEY, Lincolnshire.**—At St. Peter's Church.  
*On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being two extents of Kent T.B. and five of Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt. 27 lb. in B flat.

S. Jane Dowse .. .. Treble	C. Raymond Larkin .. .. 4
*Ruth Blackshaw .. .. 2	†Maurice W. Harrison .. .. 5
*†Margaret E. Chilton .. .. 3	John R. Pratchett .. .. Tenor

Conducted by John R. Pratchett.

\*† 25th peal together this year.

A birthday compliment to Mrs. A. E. Chilton.

**THE SUFFOLK GUILD.**  
**GRUNDISBURGH, Suffolk.**—At St. Mary's Church.  
*On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Cecil W. Pipe .. .. Treble	Sylvia R. E. Pipe .. .. 5
Leonard E. Last .. .. 2	*William E. E. Pye .. .. 6
George E. Symonds .. .. 3	Ernest G. Pearce .. .. 7
*Barry J. Couzens .. .. 4	Ernest W. Pye .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by Ernest W. Pye.

\* First peal of Surprise. Tenor 8 cwt.

**THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**  
**BEDDINGTON, Surrey.**—At St. Mary-the-Virgin's Church.  
*On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in E flat.

Roydon Davies .. .. Treble	*Robin J. Lee .. .. 6
Olive D. Tester .. .. 2	John Schofield .. .. 7
Alan Bagworth .. .. 3	Colin A. Tester .. .. 8
Jean L. Lavender .. .. 4	Frank E. Darby .. .. 9
Raymond E. Finch .. .. 5	Stewart F. Kimber .. .. Tenor

Composed by G. Lindoff.

Conducted by Stewart F. Kimber.

\* First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Royal.

**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
**HEENE, Worthing, Sussex.**—At St. Botolph's Church.  
*On Wed., Oct. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR**

J. Richard Wilson .. .. Treble	Ernest Treagus .. .. 5
Patricia Diserens .. .. 2	Leonard Stilwell .. .. 6
Robert Wake .. .. 3	Henry C. Weaver .. .. 7
Raymond P. Wood .. .. 4	Ronald F. Diserens .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. Sedgley.

Conducted by Ronald F. Diserens.

First in method by all, except 6 and 8. Tenor 10½ cwt.

**THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**CADOXTON-JUXTA-NEATH, Glamorgan.**—At SS. Cattwg and Illtyd's Church.

*On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 ST. CLEMENT'S COLLEGE BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents.

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in B.

*Patricia A. Jenkins .. .. Treble	Edmund J. Morris .. .. 4
Hazel Way .. .. 2	Gwyn I. Lewis .. .. 5
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 3	Brian J. Woodruffe .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

\* First peal.

**THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**ROMSEY, Hampshire.**—At the Abbey Church of SS. Mary and Ethelfreda.

*On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 24 cwt. 8 qr. in D.

Frank L. Harris .. .. Treble	Martin L. Howe .. .. 5
Cyril S. Jarrett .. .. 2	W. Arthur Riddington .. .. 6
Herbert W. Woolven .. .. 3	Bernard F. L. Groves .. .. 7
Alec W. Fry .. .. 4	Lewis F. Cobb .. .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.

**HAMBLEDON, Hampshire.**—At SS. Peter and Paul's Church.

*On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In seven methods, being six extents each of Shipway's Place Bob, St. Simon's Bob, St. Martin's Bob, St. Osmund's Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, Grandsire and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 lb.

Nigel J. Lambert .. .. Treble	Derek J. White .. .. 4
Betty J. Daysh .. .. 2	Charles E. Bassett .. .. 5
Ramon A. Stone .. .. 3	Peter Godman .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Charles E. Bassett.

**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**  
**EVESHAM, Worcestershire.**—At the Bell Tower.

*On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5120 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL**

Tenor 35½ cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb. in C sharp.

Michael G. Selby .. .. Treble	*David C. Brookes .. .. 6
Geoffrey J. Hemming .. .. 2	†Edward W. Colley .. .. 7
Gerald C. Hemming .. .. 3	Martin D. Fellows .. .. 8
*Ian Lloyd .. .. 4	John C. Eisel .. .. 9
*Arthur C. Berry .. .. 5	Michael J. Fellows .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. Shaw.

Conducted by Geoffrey J. Hemming.

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

Branch quarterly peal.

**GREAT COMBERTON, Worcestershire.**—At St. Michael's Church.

*On Sun., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 21 extents each of Grandsire (ten callings) and Plain Bob (four callings). Tenor 8 cwt.

*Richard J. Bateman .. Treble	Arthur C. Berry .. .. 4
Ann E. Collett .. .. 2	Ian Lloyd .. .. 5
James Attwood, jun. .. 3	Edwin W. Bick .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Arthur C. Berry.

\* First peal.

A birthday compliment to the ringer of the 3rd.

**NETHERTON, Dudley, Worcestershire.**—At St. Andrew's Church.

*On Fri., Oct. 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5152 HUDDERSFIELD SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 lb. in F sharp.

Norman J. Goodman .. Treble	James Insley .. .. 5
Susan Funnell .. .. 2	Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 6
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. 3	Martin D. Fellows .. .. 7
Michael J. Fellows .. .. 4	Clifford A. Barron .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. Reeves.

Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
**WENTWORTH, Yorkshire.**—At the Church of Holy Trinity.  
*On Sat., April 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent of York Surprise, two each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

Sandra Crossley .. .. Treble	Richard Farnsworth .. .. 4
Michael Meadows .. .. 2	Neil Donovan .. .. 5
John Chapman .. .. 3	Stuart Armeson .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Stuart Armeson.

Also Sheffield and District Society.

**LEEDS, Yorkshire.**—At the Church of St. Peter.

*On Thurs., Aug. 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being three extents of St. Clement's and four of Plain Bob.

Tenor 17 cwt. 4 lb. in F.

Rodney Smith .. .. Treble	John Weaver .. .. 4
Sheila A. Chinnery .. .. 2	Ronald H. Dove .. .. 5
John A. Sykes .. .. 3	C. Barrie Dove .. .. Tenor

Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.

**WHIXLEY, Yorkshire.**—At the Church of the Ascension.

*On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents.

Tenor 5 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb.

*Jennifer Pearce .. .. Treble	Christopher Groome .. .. 4
Susan E. Thompson .. .. 2	David Pearson .. .. 5
A. Colin Banton .. .. 3	Edward R. Venn .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Edward R. Venn.

\* First peal

Rung half-muffled as a tribute to the late Jasper Whitfield Snowdon, and past officers of the Yorkshire Association, on the occasion of the Snowdon dinner at York.



LIVERSEDGE, Yorkshire.—At Christ Church.  
On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt.

William A. Kirkby .. .. Treble	Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 5
Peter Kirkby .. .. 2	Peter Scholfield .. .. 6
B. Gillian Schofield .. .. 3	Leonard Goodall .. .. 7
S. Barry Schofield .. .. 4	Alfred B. Sullivan .. .. Tenor

Composed by Ian M. Holland. Conducted by Leonard Goodall.

## HANDBELL PEALS

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, Lancashire.—At St. Peter's Church.

On Tues., Oct. 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5120 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 15 in C.

A. Peter Whitehead .. .. 1—2	Robert B. Smith .. .. 5—6
Neil Bennett .. .. 3—4	William H. Dowse .. .. 7—8

Composed by Arthur Knights. Conducted by Neil Bennett.

THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD

All rung at SWANSEA, Glamorgan.—Mor-Awelon, Lon Derw, Tycoc'h.

On Wed., Sept. 23, 1964, in 1 Hour and 50 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MINOR**

In ten methods: (1) Double Oxford Bob and St. Clement's College Bob, (2) Pinehurst Bob and Buxton College Bob, (3) Thelwall Bob and Childwall College Bob, (4) Double Plain Bob and Fulbeck Bob, (5) Double Plain Bob and Plain Bob, (6) Oxford Bob, Plain Bob and Double Plain Bob, (7) St. Clement's College Bob and Childwall College Bob; 81 changes of method.

Tenor size 14 in D.  
Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

On Wed., Sept. 23, 1964, in 1 Hour and 49 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.  
Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

On Sun., Oct. 4, 1964, in 1 Hour and 53 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON BOB MINOR**

Seven extents. Tenor size 14 in D.  
Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method on handbells.

On Mon., Oct. 5, 1964, in 1 Hour and 52 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 ILSTON COLLEGE BOB MINOR**  
Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.  
Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method.

On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 KING'S COLLEGE BOB MINOR**  
Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.  
Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method.

On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 1 Hour and 52 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MEWSLADE COURT BOB MINOR**  
Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.  
Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method.

On Sun., Oct. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5600 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 18 in G.

Hazel Way .. .. 1—2	J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6
Brian J. Woodruffe .. .. 3—4	Edmund J. Morris .. .. 7—8

Composed by C. Kenneth Lewis. Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

On Mon., Oct. 12, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 LYTHAM BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.  
Hazel Way .. .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5—6

First peal in the method on handbells.

ILSTON COLLEGE BOB MINOR:

x 16 x 36 x 56. l.h.=16-34625.

KING'S COLLEGE BOB MINOR:

x 16 x 1236 x 56. l.h.=16-34625.

MEWSLADE COURT BOB MINOR:

x 16 x 36 x 16. l.h.=12-54632.

PETERSFIELD, HANTS.—On Oct. 11th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: June Bennett (first quarter) 1, Jane Walker 2, Dawn Handley 3, H. DeCombe 4, K. Sansom (cond.) 5, K. Tipper 6. For Evensong.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.—On Oct. 4th at St. Andrew's Church, 1,295 Grand-sire Caters: Miss R. J. Marks 1, Miss Y. C. Porter 2, Mrs. M. Bould 3, D. Wheeler 4, A. W. Myers 5, S. F. O'Shaughnessy 6, F. E. Day (cond.) 7, H. F. Myers 8, D. R. Bould 9, W. H. Marks 10. For Harvest Festival.

PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX.—On October 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Miss P. Helliwell 1, Miss J. Rowe 2, A. Cansdale 3, B. C. Sadler 4, J. Belcham 5, P. A. Sadler 6, M. Hallett (cond.) 7, G. Eve 8.

RUDBOURNE CHENEY, WILTS.—On October 5th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bob and Grand-sire): W. B. Kynaston (cond.) 1, D. Carr 2, R. White 3, D. Bounds 4, E. W. Ford 5, F. Broughton 6. For the ordination as deaconess of Miss Sylvia Harding, lady worker in the parish.

ROWDE, WILTSHIRE.—On Oct. 3rd, 1,260 Doubles (11 methods): R. S. Fisher 1, Pamela A. Osborne 2, D. P. Bailey (cond.) 3, K. B. Osborne 4, W. T. Alexander 5, P. Barrett 6. First in 11 methods 1, 5 and 6.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.—On Oct. 3rd, at 23, Blenheim Road, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: P. T. Dale 1—2, G. B. Thompson 3—4, A. T. Hawkins (cond.) 5—6

SAWLEY, DERBYS.—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Minor (Cambridge, Plain Bob): Cynthia Webb 1, G. Futers (first of Cambridge) 2, A. Humphrey 3, J. Harvey 4, W. Simpson 5, D. Marshall (cond.) 6.

SAXILBY, Lincs.—On October 10th, 1,320 Doubles (Plain Bob and Canterbury): Kathleen Yardley 1, Shirley Blair 2, Pamela Crosby 3, D. G. Crosby 4, H. W. Cox (cond.) 5, R. I. Crosby (first quarter) 6. A belated wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Crosby and a wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Crosby. Also on Oct. 11th, 1,320 Kent T.B. Minor: H. W. Cox 1, M. L. Mann 2, J. Godfrey 3, J. M. Blaikie 4, H. A. Cox 5, J. B. Nicholson (cond.) 6. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

SHEBBEAR, N. DEVON.—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: W. M. Taylor (first quarter) 1, C. G. J. Head 2, J. P. Coad (first 'inside') 3, L. J. Queen 4, R. J. Gay (cond.) 5. For Matins.

## QUARTER PEALS

SHEDFIELD, HANTS.—On October 6th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: Miss B. G. Daysh 1, Miss G. Boyd 2, Miss M. Bougaard 3, F. Mitchell 4, A. A. J. Buswell 5, H. A. Nobes 6, A. H. Sturgess (cond.) 7, P. Page 8.

SLEAFORD, Lincs.—On Oct. 10th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: H. P. Collin 1, W. Weston 2, V. Humphrys 3, L. H. Squires 4, M. Rooney 5, C. Brooke 6, M. E. Stracey 7, J. H. Musson (cond.) 8. First in method 1, 3, 5, 6. For Patronal Festival.

SHIPLEY, SUSSEX.—On Oct. 7th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise: K. A. May (first quarter) 1, Mrs. R. E. Verrall 2, E. R. Rapley (cond.) 3, G. Rix 4, C. R. Longhurst 5.

STAPLEHURST, KENT.—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: 1. Broughton (first quarter) 1, H. Baker 2, Mrs. S. M. Dobbie 3, Miss F. M. Tomlin (first 'inside') 4, J. Smith 5, C. A. Battell 6, W. H. Dobbie (cond.) 7, R. Mitchell 8. For the baptism of Sally Joy Broughton, daughter of the ringer of the treble.

STOCKBURY, KENT.—On Oct. 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: David Brown (14), Pamela Tomsett (16) 2, Linda Tomsett (14) 3, M. F. H. Lacey 4, A. A. Webb 5. Rung in memory of Albert Dunk (captain): First quarter 1, 2 and 3.

STUCKLAND, DEVON.—On Oct. 10th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: Miss B. R. Reed 1, C. J. Stevens 2, L. Hart 3, P. Doble 4, W. Webb (cond.) 5, C. Joyce 6.

STURRY, KENT.—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. A. Harrison 1, Elaine Dixon 2, M. E. Harrison 3, R. Button 4, G. Nelson (cond.) 5, F. File 6. For Dedication Festival Evensong.

TANNINGTON, SUFFOLK.—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Archer (first quarter, 12) 1, S. Hammond (13) 2, Mrs. H. W. Egglestone 3, A. T. Beckwith (cond.) 4, A. Farnish (first 'inside', 14) 5, H. W. Egglestone 6. For Harvest Festival.

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.—At St. Mary Magdalene, on Oct. 7th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: N. J. Maggs 1, Jane Harlow 2, D. Lee 3, A. H. Reed 4, R. Shepherd (cond.) 5, R. Cullen 6. A compliment to the ringers of 2 and 5, on their engagement.

THORPE-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX.—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. P. Mills 1, Mrs. D. Stutely 2, G. Waterman 3, F. Harvey 4, P. W. Mills (cond.) 5, W. Downs 6. For Harvest Festival.

USK, MON.—On Oct. 11th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: R. Clench 1, Julie Clench 2, D. Hughes 3, F. Hobbs 4, L. Jones (cond.) 5, G. Richards 6. First quarter of Stedman Doubles for all. For Holy Communion.

WALTON-ON-THAMES, SURREY.—On Oct. 10th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: C. Webb 1, Mrs. P. Bird 2, Miss J. Smith 3, R. Caporn 4, J. King 5, H. Colcombe 6, B. White (cond.) 7, J. Maybrey 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Miss Nora Shorter, a ringer at Walton-on-Thames for many years.

WAREHAM, DORSET.—On Oct. 11th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: V. J. Baker 1, Judith A. Robertson 2, P. R. Keough 3, J. W. Blackwood 4, C. T. Brown 5, M. J. Young 6, G. W. Elmes (cond.) 7, R. W. Young 8. For Evensong, and a welcome to Rev. J. Pearce (curate).

WARFIELD, BERKS.—On Oct. 10th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: K. R. Goddard 1, Rosamond Murrell 2, F. G. Henbest 3, C. W. Bailey 4, G. C. J. Murrell 5, S. G. Scott (cond.) 6. First in method 2 and 3. For the wedding this day of Miss Jacqui Haughton and Mr. E. Cribley, at Minchinhampton, Glos.

WOODCHURCH, BIRKENHEAD, CHESHIRE.—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Barbara Gatland 1, S. Anderson 2, June Price 3, R. Cleaver 4, W. Hall (cond.) 5, A. Wilkinson 6. For Harvest Festival.

WOLSTANTON, STAFFS.—On March 29th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: L. Kingston 1, M. McCallion 2, B. Dale 3, P. S. Whalley (first as cond.) 4, D. R. Whalley 5, G. W. Biddulph 6, L. Walley 7, G. Perry 8. Also on July 19th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: D. R. Whalley (cond.) 1, L. Kingston 2, H. Pardoe 3, B. Dale 4, E. Snell 5, L. Walley 6, P. S. Whalley 7, E. A. Edge 8. Also on Sept. 27th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: L. Kingston 1, P. Whalley 2, E. Snell 3, P. S. Whalley (cond.) 4, H. Pardoe 5, M. McCallion 6, G. Biddulph 7, L. Walley 8. Also on Oct. 6th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: M. McCallion 1, G. W. Biddulph 2, E. Snell 3, L. Walley 4, A. Thompson 5, E. Edge 6, D. R. Whalley (cond.) 7, G. Perry 8.



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### ENGAGEMENTS

**MOXON-SAVILLE.**—The engagement is announced between Christopher, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Moxon, Tivy Dale, Cawthorne, Barnsley, and Christine, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Saville, Valence, Westerham, Kent.

**SAWYER-FOSTER.**—The engagement is announced between Derek Miles, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Sawyer, 44, Beechfield Avenue, Birstall, Leicester, and Susan Denise, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Foster, 36, Stoughton Drive, Leicester. 5616

### RETURN THANKS

**RICKWOOD.**—Robert, Timothy and I sincerely thank the members of the N.W. District of the Suffolk Guild of ringers for their letter of sympathy and kind gift to us in our recent bereavement.—Joy Rickwood, West Stow, Bury St. Edmunds. 5613

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

**JELLEY.**—The address of Monica and John Jelley is now 17, Linley Green, Cosby, Leicester.

**SMITH.**—The address of Susan E. Smith is now c/o 61, Blenheim Road, North Harrow, Middlesex.

### PERSONAL

'Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright: for the end of that man is peace.' (Psalm xxxvii, 37.)

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**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Practice meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube station), on Monday, November 2nd, at 7 p.m. 5621

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### GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

Leatherhead District.—Surprise Royal practice at Leatherhead on Friday, November 6th, at 7.45 p.m. 5628

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### MEETINGS

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—The annual meeting will be held at Dudley on October 31st. Service in St. Thomas' Church 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Names for tea to me, please, Towers available: 10.15-11 a.m., Brierley Hill (8); 10.45-11.30 a.m., Kingswinford (8); 11.15 a.m.-12.15 p.m., Stourbridge, St. Thomas (8); 1.30-2.30 p.m., Lye (8, 3½ cwt.); 2.15-3, Cradley (8); 3.15-4.10 and after business meeting, Dudley (10).—M. D. Fellows, Sec., 14, Western Road, Stourbridge, Worcs.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Central District.—Meeting at Croydon Parish Church, October 31st. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Bells available after tea until 8 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. F. E. Collins, 17, Hamilton Road, Thornton Heath, Surrey. A special invitation is extended to all members of the Southern District. 5536

**LADIES' GUILD.**—South Wales District.—Meeting at St. Mellons, October 31st. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names, please, to Miss D. Hulbert, 6, Wentloog Road, Rumney. Gentlemen welcome.—J. S. King.

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Branch.—Practice meeting, Ditchingham, October 31st. Bells (6) from 6.30 to 9 p.m. All welcome.—N. P. J. C., Branch Sec. 5496

**TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Stratton Branch.—Meeting, Stratton (8), October 31st. Bells 2 p.m. Service 4. Tea 5 p.m. All welcome. Names to H. Trewin, Marhayes, Broad Close Hill, Bude. Tel. 2513. 5559

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chertsey District.—Combined practice at Thames Ditton on Monday, November 2nd. Bells (6) available from 7 p.m. All welcome. 5610

**ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD.**—Meeting at Armitage Bridge Parish Church, Saturday, November 7th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. P. Spencer, 21, Hangingstone Road, Berry Brow, Huddersfield. 5605

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bedford District.—Meeting at Wootton, Saturday, November 7th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m. Further ringing after tea. Everybody welcome. 5637

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Crewe Branch.—Joint meeting with N. STAFFS ASSOCIATION, Newcastle, November 7th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Names for tea by November 4th to G. A. Moore, 54, Enderly Street, Newcastle, Staffs.—W. Kerr, Hon. Sec. 5647

**DURHAM & NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Meeting, Saturday, November 7th. SS. James and Basil's, Fenham, 2.30 p.m. start. Names for tea to Mr. J. E. Errington, 7, Wingrove Avenue, Newcastle-on-Tyne. 4. 5646

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ely District.—Meeting at March (6), Saturday, November 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting and ringing after tea. Special methods: Netherseale and Rev. Canterbury. 5602

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—N.W. District.—A meeting will be held at Newport (6) on Saturday, November 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names to G. Blake, Hamlet House, Roydon Hamlet, Harlow, Essex. 5631

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.E. District.—Meeting Broomfield Saturday November 7th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury, Chelmsford. 5571

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Ledbury District.—Quarterly meeting Eastnor, November 7th, owing to bells being unringable. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Ledbury bells available after tea. Names for tea to J. Ward, Woolfields, Coddington, Ledbury, Herefordshire. 5636

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern and Northern Districts.—Joint meeting at Little Munden, November 7th. 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names by Wednesday, November 4th, to E. Buck, 13, The Rise, Baldock. 5612

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—Meeting at Immanuel, Oswaldtwistle, on November 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m. Business to follow.—John Pilkington. 5603

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—Meeting at St. John's, Coppull, on Saturday, November 7th at 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss B. Yapp, 316, Spendmore Lane, Coppull. All visitors welcome.—D. R. Jones, Hon. Sec. 5632

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Leicester District.—Meeting, November 7th, St. John's Leicester. Bells 3 p.m. Meeting 4 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30 p.m. in school room. Names for tea by November 5th to A. J. Poyner, 31, Marsden Lane, Aylestone, Leicester.—Dis. Sec. 5645

**NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting on Saturday, November 7th, at Newcastle. Bells (10) 3 p.m. Annual Committee meeting 4 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30 p.m. This a joint meeting with our friends from the Cheshire Guild (Crewe Branch) and everyone is welcome. Names for tea to G. A. Moore, 54, Enderly Street, Newcastle, Staffs, by Wednesday, November 4th.—G. C. Beech, Hon. Sec. 5584

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Gulfsborough Branch.—Meeting, Gulfsborough, Saturday, November 7th. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to J. E. Goddard, 45, Station Road, Long Buckby, Rugby. 5630

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Davenport Branch.—Meeting, Flore Saturday, November 7th. Names for tea by Monday previous to Mr. J. Care, 16, The Crescent, Flore, Northampton.—F. W. Hancock. 5624

**SALISBURY GUILD.**—Devizes Branch.—Meeting on Saturday, November 7th, Keevil. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by November 4th to A. Knight, 6, Southwick Road, North Bradley, Trowbridge. 5642

**SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting on November 7th. Dunblane, 11.30 a.m.-1 p.m. St. John's, Alloa, 2.30 p.m. Edinburgh in evening. Names for tea to Mr. Henderson, 43, Balfour Street, Alloa, by Tuesday previous. 5638

**SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Monthly meeting, Howden, Saturday, November 7th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Please provide own food, cups of tea only available.—L. M. Woodhead, Hon. Sec. 5611

**SOCIETY OF CHANGE RINGERS FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—Annual dinner, November 7th. The following towers will be open: Bushbury (6), 2-3 p.m.; Sharnhall (6), 3-4; Cannock (8), 4 p.m. onwards. All tickets for dinner have been sold. All attending are requested to be seated by 6.25 p.m.—B. G. Key, Gnosall. 5622

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD AND SHEFFIELD & DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Joint meeting at Workop Priory, Saturday, November 7th. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Meeting 5.30. Bells again 6 p.m. onwards. Names for tea to Mr. H. Smart, 19, Park Street, Workop. No name no tea!—P. Denman and J. Seager, Secs. 5639

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Nottingham District.—Meeting, Saturday, November 7th. Trowell 3 to 5 p.m. Wollaton 6 to 8 p.m. Names for tea to J. C. Shonfield, 33, Parkside Gardens, Wollaton, Nottingham. 5620



**SURREY ASSOCIATION** (Southern District) and **KENT ASSOCIATION** (Tonbridge District).—Joint meeting on November 7th at Oxted and Limpsfield. Bells at both towers 3 p.m. Service at Limpsfield 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Ringing at both towers after. Names for tea to Mr. E. Jarrett, 13, Granville Road, Limpsfield, by the 5th.—W. H. D. and G. A. W. 5595

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Northern Division.—Quarterly meeting on Saturday, November 7th, Coleman's Hatch. Method: Kent Treble Bob. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea not later than Wednesday, November 4th, to Mrs. E. L. Hairs, Hon. Sec., Norman Cottage, Park Corner, Groombridge, Sussex. Phone Groombridge 438. 5623

**DEVON GUILD**.—N.W. Branch.—Annual meeting at Clawton, Saturday, November 14th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow.—R. Pearce, Branch Sec. 5633

**EAST GRINSTEAD & DISTRICT GUILD**.—Meeting on Saturday, November 14th, at Bolney. Bells 2.5.30 p.m. Tea 5.30. Cuckfield (if available) 6.30-8.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss M. A. Ladd, 4, William Street, Tunbridge Wells, Kent, by November 12th. please. 5634

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION**.—Northern District. —Meeting at Finchingfield, Saturday, November 14th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. F. Roper, Crest Lodge, Spains Hall, Finchingfield. 5635

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION** (S.W. District) and **MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION** (N. and E. District).—Joint meeting at Walthamstow St. Mary's on November 14th. Bells (10) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. St. Saviour's (8) available from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to D. Hewitt, 13, Malta Road, Leyton, E.10. 5640

**LADIES' GUILD**.—Kent Branch.—Practice meeting at Tunstall, November 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. All ringers welcome. Names for tea, please, by Wednesday, November 11th, to Mr. T. Barton, 100, Park Drive, Sittingbourne, Kent. 5644

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Annual dinner and social, Shakespeare Hotel, Braunstone, Leicester, November 14th, 6 for 6.30 p.m. Chief speaker: Mr. John Freeman, of Lincoln (Vice-President of Central Council). Tickets (price 17s. 6d.) from the undersigned by November 7th at latest, cash with order.—B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen. Sec., 12, Dorothy Avenue, Glen Hills, Leicester. 5598

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Central Branch.—Meeting, Welton and Dunholme, Saturday, November 14th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Welton. Names for tea by the Wednesday previous to Mr. A. Dixon, Welton, Lincoln.—S. A. Chambers, Hon. Sec. 5627

**LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION**.—Llandaff Branch.—Quarterly meeting to be held at Porthkerry on Saturday, November 14th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and business to follow. Transport will be available from a main road. Names for tea by November 9th to W. J. Goodfellow, 33, Brook Road, Fairwater, Cardiff Glam. 5629

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD**.—Wimborne Branch.—Meeting, Witchampton, Saturday, November 14th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Possibly Long Crichel 6.30-8 p.m. otherwise Witchampton. Names for tea by Wednesday, 11th, to Mrs. Robertson, Creech Cottage, Tarrant Keynston, Blandford, Dorset. 5619

**WORPLESDON, SURREY**.—On Oct. 11th, 1,260 Grandshire and Plain Bob Doubles: K. Underwood (first quarter) 1. R. Tickner 2. J. Avenall 3. C. Slyfield 4. J. Collier (cond.) 5. R. Jordan 6. For Harvest Festival Evensong.

**WORCESTER**.—At the King's School, in St. Alban's Chapel, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. P. White 1-2, P. Cattermole 3-4, M. J. Robinson (first as cond.) 5-6. First 'in hand' for 1-2 and 5-6. Rung by the Worcester Cathedral King's School Society.

**WYCHBOLD, WORCS.**—On Sept. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles (four callings): D. G. Franklin 1. R. J. M. Grosvenor 2. M. J. Robinson 3. P. Cattermole (cond.) 4. A. P. White 5. A. Grundy 6. First quarter by all except 4 and 5. Rung by a master and boys of the Worcester Cathedral King's School.

## DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Quarterly Meeting at Clowne

ON a rather cold but fine October 10th, the Association's autumn quarterly meeting at Clowne was very well attended with almost 60 present from over 20 towers and visitors from as far away as Birmingham and Leicester.

During the afternoon ringing took place at Balborough and Clowne—both 6-bell towers—after which the Rector of Clowne (the Rev. W. S. Willcox) conducted a shortened form of Evensong. In his opening remarks as chairman of the business meeting, which followed an excellent tea, the Rector told the company he felt rather like the bridegroom who, with one hand on his wife's shoulder, rose to make a speech at his reception with the words: 'Ladies and gentlemen, this has been forced upon me...' He thanked the Association for the grant towards repairs to Clowne belfry.

The financial position showed an excess of expenditure over income of £34, which was almost entirely due to the unusually large number of unpaid subscriptions. The treasurer warned members that there was very little margin for error and so urged them once again to remember their voluntary donations when paying subscriptions.

In contrast the Bell Repair Fund was in a healthy position with a balance of £230 and only 2 out of 73 P.C.C.s having failed to pay their affiliation fees for 1964. Following the committee's recommendation Mr. J. Moreton was elected an architectural adviser to the Bell Repair Consultants as obviously the services of a qualified architect, who is also a ringer, will be a great help in that direction. Reporting on the work of the consultants, Mr. G. Halls, the secretary, said they were advising Charlesworth (a one-bell tower) on the installation of a light ring of six.

Following the election of Messrs. R. Smart (Sandiacre), W. Barwell (Sawley) and H. Money (Clowne) the proposed new Association badge—in the form of a bell and headstock—was accepted. The collection for the Bell Repair Fund amounted to £2 15s. and advance notice was given that next year's annual dinner was to be at the Odeon, Chesterfield, on February 20th. Further ringing was enjoyed at Creswell (8) as well as Clowne. Next meeting (Chesterfield District): Old Whittington (6), Nov. 14th. M.P.P.

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## Wilton, Salisbury, Ringers' Outing

An 8 a.m. start was made by Wilton ringers for their outing into Somerset on October 10th. By coffee time they were at Pilton, but there was ringing on this pleasant six before indulging arrangements having been made by our efficient organiser, Raymond Haynes.

Deeper into Somerset, to ring at Dinder, before lunch at Wells and then through the Chew Lake Valley to Burrington. As we arrived at Bath we heard the Abbey bells in full ten and hope to see the peal published. The evening towers were Keevil and Steeple Ashton.

Our sincere thanks to incumbents and those who met us. J. A.

## LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY SOCIETY IN OXFORD

THE Society's annual tour, held between September 19th and 24th, was based on Oxford. A regretted absentee was the Master as the tour proved to be as successful as its two predecessors. On Friday evening we were welcomed at the practice at Old Marston.

The tour began on Saturday morning, with a touch of Cambridge at Cumnor (6), followed by a rather better one of London. In Appleton's incredibly small tower for the ring of ten, we rang some quite acceptable Plain Bob Royal and Grandsire Caters. At the next tower, Abingdon, we wished our band was at full strength to do justice to this fine ring of ten; we only managed Grandsire and Stedman Caters.

The Rev. and Mrs. Dixon kindly entertained us to lunch at the Vicarage, a gesture very much appreciated. In the afternoon we rang Spliced Cambridge and London at Milton, but a good rhythm defied us at Harwell. During our hour at Wantage, we decided that the bells went better to Triples than Major; some good Stedman was rung.

## FULL SUNDAY

On Sunday we were privileged to join the ringers at Christ Church Cathedral to ring for morning service; afterwards members went to St. Aldate's, St. Giles' and All Saints'. In the afternoon we joined the practice at Radley, where Miss Cross made us very welcome. For Evensong we joined the band at High Wycombe on their excellent twelve.

Monday's ringing started at Wheatley, a recently rehung six. We experienced considerable difficulty here, as the clock case is in the centre of the circle and interferes with a rope-sight. At Great Milton we were met by Mr. Allen, who congratulated us on taking such a good band into the countryside. Although it must be admitted that a course of Bristol and a half course of Yorkshire went well on these excellent bells, we felt that we did not deserve such high praise. Little Milton followed and consternation was caused at 'The Lamb' by an order for twenty-eight rounds of sandwiches. Due to a tremendous piece of foresight on someone's part the order had been placed before we started ringing and so all was ready by the time we finished. After lunch we visited Brightwell Baldwin, Ewelme, Benson and Dorchester Abbey.

## SHAKESPEARE AND BELLS

The cultural needs of the party were satisfied on Tuesday by a visit to the Royal Shakespeare Theatre, Stratford, to see Henry IV, Part 2. Our route allowed time for ringing eights at Woodstock and Chipping Norton and the six at Whichford. Lunch was taken at Brilles, and we were met at the church to be told that the tenor clapper had broken the previous Sunday. A great disappointment; but due to the hard work of the tower captain the other damage had been repaired and we were able to ring the front five. Thence to Stratford, where we had been fortunate enough to be given permission to ring on the excellent ten.

Wednesday began with two fives, Stanton St. John and Beckley. The eight at Thame were to our liking, but were not quite what we expected from such an imposing exterior. After lunch, another cack-handed eight, this time at Long Crendon. Although courses of Yorkshire and Bristol came round; we did not ring as well as we would have liked to have done. Wotton Underwood bells were a pleasant find, right out in the country. With our morale restored we went on to Piddington, but found the tenor badly cracked in the crown and the third slightly so. The day ended at Brill.

## CONCLUDED WITH A PEAL

Three enjoyable rings on Thursday morning finished the tour. At Eynsham we were impressed by the striking competition certificates on the wall of the belfry. We hope our performance was up to standard. St. Mary's, Witney, bells are very fine and it was a great pity that we were now reduced in numbers again. However, a course of Yorkshire was rung, and we were a little late at North Leigh. In the afternoon we rang a peal of Plain Bob Major at Kirtlington.

We include in our thanks everyone who met us at the towers and added that little bit more interest to a very successful week. R. J. S.



**COMPOSITIONS****5,104 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Composed by L. GOODALL.

W B M H 23456

—	1	23564
—	1	23645
—	1	— 42356

—	{ — — }	63425
—	{ — — }	54326

—	1 —	24365
—	1 —	26354
—	1 —	25346

—	—	32654
—	1 —	32546
—	1 —	43265

—	1 —	63254
—	1 —	53246
—	2 —	52436

—	1 —	52364
—	1 —	62345
—	1 —	34256

1	—	35264
1	—	36245
1	S	32456

Repeat.

Omit bracketed B.B.

**5,088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

BY STEPHEN IVIN

23456 M B I/F W H

35264	—	—	—
36524	—	x	—
42563	—	—	—
64523	—	—	—
25346	—	—	—
32546	—	2x	—
62345	—	—	—
23645	—	x	—

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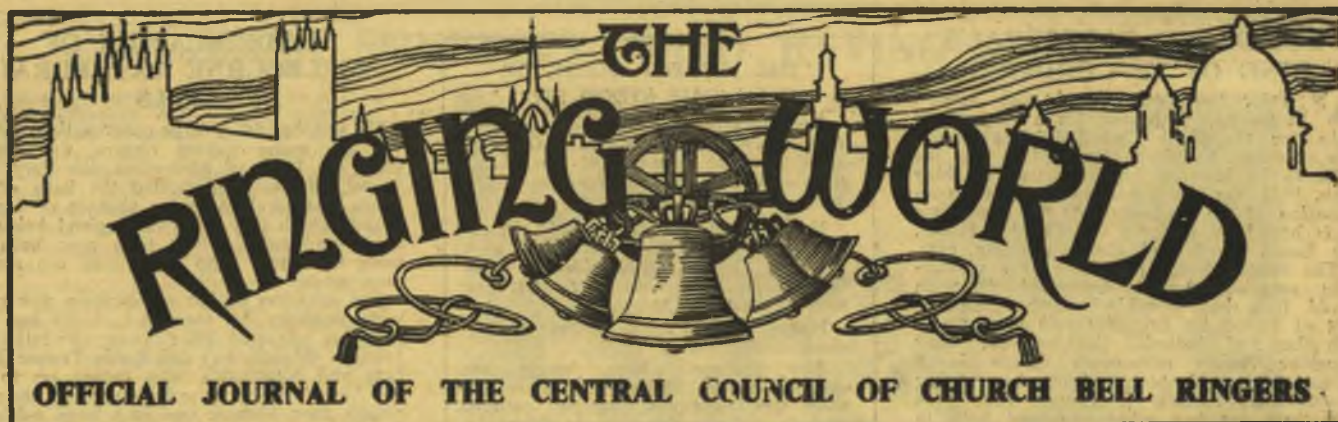
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## SPOTS BEFORE THE EYES

MRS. HOOKWAY'S sitting room looked a very pleasant place in which to spend the afternoon: the lounge suite was comfortable, and there was an electric fire to warm our toes on a nippy autumn day; more important to us, the window looked right across to the tower of St. Giles-in-the-Wood Church about 100 yards away, and a short trial peal showed us that we could hear every blow loud and clear, so long as that youth with the new Honda didn't spend the whole afternoon riding it up and down the village street. So Mr. Drake and I got out our notebooks and ruled them neatly, sharpened our pencils and our cars, and settled down to our job.

There are only two of us judging this Torridge Vale Guild festival, because Mr. Jack Harris hasn't been able to make it, and I feel the weight of my responsibility lying rather heavily on my novice shoulders, for my notebook only records one previous experience of judging a competition, and then I was one of four. What's more, I'm here this afternoon in place of no less a man than the late Tommy Darch, and I only hope that his spirit will aid me: his instruction certainly will.

Mr. Drake, I'm glad to see, has a fat notebook well stored with judging records, and I find that he is one of the North Tawton band, who gave ringers all over England such a thrill with their superb striking in the Christmas broadcast in 1950. We have nine teams to judge, five from the Guild itself, and four for the open class; I've already seen some of the Down St. Mary and West Down ringers, and High Bickington are here under the redoubtable Herbert Pidler—me judging him; that's a bit daunting.

A tinkle of the treble—here we go, eyes down and wait for the pitch. There it comes, and we start marking, a dot for the first round, another for the second, each one a quarter-fault, and then as the tenor gets under a full fault every round for no fewer than fourteen: this is a pretty rough rise, and by the time the bells are up there are already 26 faults marked. They settle into reasonable rounds, but when the changes begin they are losing marks all the time, with three or four bad rounds after almost every change, and once a real jiffil (very rare in call change ringing) with two bells clashing for a couple of rounds. Here's the lower beginning now, unsteady all the way; we total up and strike the average, and find the score 92½. Not very bright, that one, but everybody has to learn somehow.

Tinkle again, wait for it, and we're off again, starting with several full marks for a rather ragged pitch. However, this one is better than the last once the bells are double-tonguing, and although the top ringing is a trifle stiff at 32 a minute the changes are very clean and a very fair lower gets them down with a score of 57½. Mr. Drake opens a bottle of brown ale for each of us, and then our pencils are at it again.

This is the best pitch so far, but the rise loses marks when the treble man lets out too little rope and his handstroke blow comes in under the tenor's backstroke for several rounds. Still, it's the best rise to date for all that, and we hope for some really good ringing. In this we're disappointed; although these chaps know what they're doing, they give themselves too little time to settle down: no sooner are they up than they're called into 'thirds' and into the changes, and as a result all the top ringing is choppy than it might have been. They regain a little ground with a very good lower on which they only lose six marks by my reckoning, and make their total 86½.

Peal number four goes off very well, though the 3 and 4 get over for a few blows in the rise. Once up, the treble gets penalised until he gets his bell clear of the tenor, and the top ringing is fair, though these people seem to have difficulty in settling down after each change, even when the change itself has

been made cleanly. Some marks are going down all the way along, but it's still the best ringing yet and even when the lower had been marred by the treble's getting under for three blows near the end, and one more mark lost with a 'chitter' after the rest had stopped, their score is no more than 47.

One more peal before tea, and it's the best of the five. This lot pitch the bells as clean as a whistle, and the rise is only marred by a couple of rounds with the treble just under the tenor. Their rounds and opening changes are rung at a pitch a trifle too low—lower, anyway, than this band can be certain of striking them. But later they stiffen up and the striking improves, and we give them 40½.

Mrs. Hookway meanwhile has been busy, and as soon as we've checked that tally she comes in with a two-tiered trolley completely covered with food. Three kinds of sandwiches, splits and cream, buttered splits, and four plates of assorted cakes—there's enough here for a couple of six-bell bands, let alone two judges, and all of it as delicious as a Devon housewife can make it. Mr. Drake and I make what impression we can on this spread, and by the time we're sitting back hoping that after it we can keep awake for another four peals, the treble rings her warning and the first of the four it about to start.

As soon as they pitch the first round, we know that these ringers are experts. The bells go up swift and clean, and there's no feeling about for the pitch of the bells, going up a little bit too high and then coming down to the right pace, as most bands do: these chaps just put the bells straight up into the right slot and off they go, a shade over 34 rounds a minute and the changes so crisp and clean that they might have been cut with a razor blade. By the time the top ringing is finished, this band's row of dots is only just over half-way across my page, and even the most critical judging can find occasion for only eleven more in a lovely, smooth, slow lower, the bells singing their way down in glorious harmony with the tap-notes running in and out through the hum, swift and light like elves' dancing. This is call change ringing at its very best, a pleasure to judge, sweet to the ear and light on the pencil.

By contrast the next peal is a disastrous one; it loses more on the rise alone than the last one's total of 15½, and this treble man makes the same mistakes as an earlier one of going into changes before the rounds had settled down. Commenting on this peal, Mr. Drake and I afterwards remark on two facts: first, that even with 103 faults peals like this get away lightly, for although they may incur two quarter-faults every round the four unmarked bells in that round are often striking unevenly enough to be marked in a peal as good as the previous one: second, that whereas one of the most important bells in a rise is the 2nd, which has the task of setting the interval for the rest to follow, in changes a very great deal of this responsibility seems to develop upon the bell in 5th's place; in this peal the striking was noticeably sloppy in 5th's, and as a result the rhythm suffered severely. I myself have noticed this in method ringing—that bad striking on the back can destroy the striking quite as badly as unsteadiness at lead.

The last two peals are both very good; No. 8 has an excellent rise and an even better lower: the top-ringing is good too, but here again marks might have been saved if the rounds had been allowed to settle before the changes were begun. Nineteen faults here, though, and the second best of the day. No. 9 has an even better rise; by my marking it was the best of the lot—a nice clean pitch, 'smacked in tight': the treble's handstroke coming in after the tenor to perfection on about the third round, and all the bells double-tonguing within seven or eight, and then the real delight of a good rise, with the bells swiftly 'spreading out.' at Tom Darch used to say, 'like a flock of birds.' In contrast to

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## GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL'S RING OF TEN ORDERED

**A**N order has been placed with Messrs. Mears and Stainbank for a ring of 10 bells for Guildford Cathedral. The Bishop (Dr. George Reindorp) has asked for the bells to be installed for dedication on May 17th, 1965, the fourth anniversary of the consecration of the Cathedral. At the same time it is hoped to dedicate the Chapter House, the South Garth and the new organ case.

The announcement has come as a pleasurable surprise to the Guildford Diocesan Guild. It is made possible by a thank-offering gift of £5,000 by Brigadier and Mrs. Derek Schreiber, of Bellasis, Dorking, for their daughter Susie's miraculous escape in a motor car accident last September. Other donors have recently contributed four bells and there are two other memorial bells in the Cathedral—the Alfred H. Pulling and Margaret Cleeve bells.

In addition each of the four districts of the Guildford Guild is striving to provide a bell. This was at the behest of Bishop Reindorp who two years ago asked the Guild to accept responsibility for providing the complete ring. This they considered was beyond their compass and their activities were accordingly limited to the present targets. Between them the four Districts have contributed £750.

The happy announcement of being in a position to place an order was made personally by the Bishop to the Master of the Guild (Mr. D. A. R. May) and also to his immediate predecessor, Mr. C. W. Denyer. Discussions had previously taken place with Messrs. Mears and Stainbank by the architect, Sir Edward Maufe, as to the weight of the bells. It has finally been decided to have a 304 cwt. tenor, which is in accordance with the wishes of the Guild.

When the bells are installed it is hoped to move the Guild library to the Cathedral. This is to be named after Mr. A. C. Hazelden, the founder and first librarian.

## 'BERKSHIRE BELLS' COMPLETED AFTER 25 YEARS

**W**ITH the publication this month of the 18th part of 'The Church Bells of Berkshire,' Mr. Frederick Sharpe completes a 25 years' task. This was not intentional. The original idea in 1939 was to complete the work in four parts. Even after the war the publishers, the Berkshire Archaeological Society, could only manage to produce one small part a year. It is a pity as Berkshire is an interesting county with many examples of the work of the great mediæval foundry at Wokingham and the later Reading foundry—to say nothing of such treasures as the inscribed 13th at Enborne, Sonning, Cholsey and Challow. Also the great achievements of the White family at Appleton.

The final part is of particular importance as it deals with the bells of Windsor Castle. Of the seven illustrations relating to the Castle's bells the most interesting are those concerning the Russian bell in the Round Tower, which was brought from Sebastopol, as a war trophy in 1855. It weighs 17 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. and is tolled at the funeral and deaths of British sovereigns.

This bell, which was cast in Moscow, circa 1750, has moulded canons and is richly ornamented with figures of the Madonna and Child and symbols the Holy Ghost. The original clapper is retained and is curiously positioned out of centre.

Most of the rings described—the volume deals with the 'W's' of Berkshire—have treasures to delight the antiquary. Wokingham (All Saints) still retains two originals from Samuel Knight's foundry at Wokingham 1703-1704, while at Little Wittenham there are two by Henry Knight I of Reading 1620, another by Ellis and Henry Knight III 1676 and the tenor by Joseph Carter 1607. Older still is the third at Winkfield (1591 by J. Carter), but a small bell in St. Peter's, Woolhampton, was cast at the Wokingham foundry circa 1360.

Many of the pictures in this well-illustrated volume are by the author. The price of the part is 2s 6d., post free but copies are only reserved for those who have previous parts.

## 'THE PERFECT GUEST, OR 'WHEN TIME STOOD STILL.'

*Scene: Southwell Minster, Ringing Chamber. Date—Time: 24 October, 1964. Saturday evening, 6.45 p.m. Cast: 8 ringers, approaching half-way stage peal of Stedman Triples.*

Enter from corner behind ringers of 3 and 4, one verger complete with overcoat, looks round, listens with critical ear, takes note of ringers, five minutes later disappears.

Noises heard from room above: clock stops.

Few moments later, verger re-appears, stands looking round for a short time. Removes overcoat, collects a chair and sits down, again listens to ringing espys 'Ringing World,' stands up, collects 'Ringing World,' sits down again, and proceeds to read.

Pages turn at regular intervals, glances at watch.

50 minutes later, puts down 'Ringing World' stands up, replaces chair, puts on overcoat, disappears.

Further noises from above, clock starts.

Anxious faces, what next! No further sign of verger, assume gone home, 'miserable fellow, did not even say good night.'

Same place 8.30 p.m. peal complete. Moral—Always take 'The Ringing World,' leave it lying round, the verger may like to read it when putting the clock back.

## EXTENT MAJOR RINGER MARRIED

**O**N Saturday, October 3rd, the wedding took place of Mr. John M. Jelley and Miss Monica Moore at St. Mark's Church, Wood Green, London. Monica is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Moore, of West Beech Road, Wood Green, and John the only son of Mrs. F. M. Jelley, of Wigston, Leicester, and the late Mr. Ernest Jelley.

The bride's father gave her away and her bridal gown was of white embossed satin cut in the princess style with a train and headdress trimmed with guipure lace. She had a full-length veil and carried orchids, freesia and cyclamen. Monica was attended by her sister Margaret as bridesmaid. The best man was Mr. Peter J. Staniforth, of Leicester.

A large congregation gathered at the church in beautiful autumn sunshine to witness the ceremony which was conducted by the Rev. Fr. Suter. In the congregation were many of Monica's friends and relations: some had travelled great distances to be present. John was ably supported by a large Leicester contingent who travelled down with him on the Saturday morning—a group of them joined with some of Monica's friends and rang a peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major at 'All Hallows', Tottenham.

After the ceremony the reception was held at the Alexandra Palace and then they travelled to St. Pancras (where a good 'send off' was given) to board a train for an unknown destination. Actually, celebrations started early for John as his car was beautifully and most appropriately decorated by office colleagues on the Thursday prior to the wedding but he was a little more successful in concealing the identity of the hotel where they were to spend their honeymoon.

If the 'send off' was good the welcome home was even better for they were greeted by a very cleverly decorated house said to have been the work of an Austin owner and his name also suggests that he is a member of the B.M.C. group. Captions adorned windows, directions to tradesmen were displayed on large cards and old boots and streamers completed the decoration.

John and Monica are now residing in Coshy, Leics, and the loss to Christ Church, Southgate, band, where Monica was captain, will be the gain of Leicester Cathedral, where she will join her husband. May we offer them our sincere congratulations and many years of 'spliced' happiness.

P.J.S.

## REDEDICATION OF MELBOURNE CATHEDRAL BELLS

**O**N October 4th a large congregation, including many visiting ringers, was present when the Dean of Melbourne, the Very Rev. T. W. Thomas, rededicated the bells of St. Paul's Cathedral. After an absence of a year, during which they were in England being re-tuned and refitted they have now been re-hung in a new steel frame and are ringing once more.

The occasion of the rededication was given wide publicity by the press, radio and TV and this attracted Peter Swan (Bristol), Ron Johnson (Manchester) and Robin Turner (Durham and Newcastle), who turned up to try the 'new' bells. In addition there were 17 ringers from Sydney, one each from Adelaide, Bendigo and Canberra and 7 from Ballarat, making a total of 59 including those from the two Melbourne towers. During the afternoon it was proved that the bells were capable of ringing everything from rounds of Superlative and Lincolnshire Surprise Major.

The rededication of the bells marked the first completed work in the extensive restoration of the Cathedral now in progress, and the opening of the second phase of the restoration appeal.

## JOINT MEETING AT HILLINGDON

**T**HE joint meeting of the Ladies' Guild, the Oxford Guild and the Middlesex Association at Hillingdon on October 17th attracted about 70 ringers and friends. This year's highlight was a talk by Mr. Frank C. Price on the recent trip to Washington. He illustrated his most interesting talk with many first class colour transparencies, and, through the courtesy of Douglas Hughes and the help of Bill Coles, a tape recording of some of these fine bells was heard. It was remarkable to hear the spontaneous cheers and applause from the large crowd around the Cathedral when the bells came into rounds.

The ringers' service was conducted by the Vicar, Rev. F. C. Tyler, and the choir and organist led the singing. Mrs. Sexton and Mrs. Goodfellow and their noble assistants prepared and served a sumptuous tea and supper and thoroughly deserved the compliments accorded to them.

The ringing practice at Hillingdon and Iver had its ups and downs but amongst some of the good striking was an excellent course of London Royal.

Some old friends were absent and among the apologies received were those from Mrs. T. J. Lock, Mrs. Savory, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Collins and Mr. and Mrs. S. Honor, two honorary members who have not missed a 'Hillingdon Joint' since the war. So here's to next time.

Oh, yes, the time-honoured annual cricket match during the evening (not under M.C.C. rules!) was again won by the Oxford Guild and 'the cup' was handed to David Hilling.

F.G.

## MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION MEET IN THE CITY OF LONDON

The North and East district visited the Metropolis on October 10th and ringing took place at two City churches.

In the afternoon the pleasant six at St. Vedast, one of two churches in England bearing this dedication to a French bishop, attracted quite a few ringers. Evening ringing was at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate.

A short business meeting was held in the ringing chamber of the latter tower at which confirmation of the provisional election of the following as non-resident life members was made: Russell S. Morris, A. James Poyner, and Herrick B. Bowley, of Leicester; Robert B. Smith, Marple, and Dan S. Pont, of Woodhouse Eaves.

The incumbents and Mrs. E. E. Davis were thanked for their help and co-operation.

A collection for the Bell Restoration Fund realised one guinea.

E. H. K.



## EXPLORING SOMERSET WITH RAVING RINGERS

THE EIGHTH annual tour of the Society of Raving Ringers was held in Somerset. Some 14 Ravers assembled on July 25th at Sherborne where one of the Hertfordshire ringers, who wishes to remain anonymous, lost his trousers while ringing the tenor for a wedding. Meanwhile in a quiet lay-by near Aylesbury four other Ravers were cursing a mini-bus, fully loaded with camping equipment, which had broken down.

The camp was at Staple Fitzpaine five miles south of Taunton. Service ringing was at St. Mary's, Taunton, on Sunday. In a lay-by near Burford was the ill-fated mini-bus and whilst the bulk of the Ravers had rung in two towers, Chris Clarke had 'rung' in two new A.A. boxes. It was not until 5.40 p.m.—the main party spending the day at Wells, Wookey and Cheddar Gorge—that the stranded four having transferred equipment to a grocers' van, joined the rest outside Chewton Mendip Church. Ringing here ended with a short touch of Bristol and most agreed that the bells were everything they are said to be. Tents were unloaded on the camp site and the four latecomers left for Taunton for a meal of chicken and chips and a noggin of ale.

### EXCITEMENT

Ringling on Monday was towards and on Exmoor and it was not without elements of excitement. For example, at Bishop's Lydeard the wooden frame was thought to wander about the tower whilst ringing was taking place (and Yorkshire too!) and at Luxborough whilst rigging spliced Grandsire and Stedman Doubles a carpet sweeper became entangled in Ted Venn's rope and after sailing up in the air finally clobbered Ken Darvill on the back of the neck. After an excellent six at Carhampton came an hour on the glorious ten at Minehead, ringing ending with Stedman Caters and a half course of Cambridge Royal. The evening ringing was at Dunster (rather tricky) and Monksilver.

The difficult six at Pitminster were first on Tuesday's programme. The belfry at Nynhead was in a disgusting state. The trapdoor to the bell chamber had been left open so birds had invaded the belfry. A ladder had been placed across the headstocks of the fifth and tenor and prevented them from being rung. When the debris had been removed from the belfry, the bells were raised in peal and after several courses of original Minor quickly lowered in Somerset style. A comment heard afterwards was 'Ah! t'were a good peal, Ted.'

Before lunch a course of Bristol was rung at Wellington, and afterwards the Devon border was crossed to ring at Uffculme, thought by some to be up to Chewton Mendip standard, ringing including Erin Triples and Yorkshire. Following a picnic tea came Howard Oglesby's 'Golden Egg'—Rockwell Green was his 1,000th tower. On this very good six ringing was mostly Surprise Minor. West Buckland and Churchstanton completed the day's programme.

### 'RASCALLY RINGERS'

There were fears of a 'washout' when the rain came down on Wednesday, but we reached West Monkton where the fifth manages to slip wheel frequently. The village stocks are in the churchyard and here we placed our 'rascally ringers'—Ted Venn, Howard Oglesby and Chris Clarke. Removing their shoes we were able to tickle their feet! The majestic eight at Bridgwater followed.

The well-loved method of Hitcham Delight Minor was rung at Berrow at the request of the South Bucks contingent. At Burnham-on-Sea the annual dip of the Society (or baths as the case may be) had to be cancelled because the tide had gone out. Instead at pass-ball Jim



THE RAVERS OUTSIDE CREWKERNE PARISH CHURCH:

Back row (left to right): Christopher C. Clarke, Robert A. Reeves, Barry J. Davies, Edward R. Venn, Anthony Smith. Second row: Kenneth J. Darvill, Graham Ridgway, Stephen P. Darvill, Keith J. Walpole, Jim Linnell.

Third row: Gillian Brearly, Howard Oglesby (Master), Michael W. Coleman (Ringing Master), Diana Reeves. Front row: Susan A. Burt, Maureen Lawrence, Marion Petts, Frances Proctor, Jennaifer Seeny.

Linnell's team beat Chris Clark's 'Clobbers.' Evening ringing was at Burnham and North Petherton.

Dorset was visited on Thursday after Chard's awkward bells and lunch. Thorncombe was at one time the heaviest ring in the county but thanks to local enthusiasm the bells have been augmented to eight. They go extremely well, but unfortunately are odd struck. The official tour photograph was taken by Nigel Maggs at Crewkerne—a fine eight.

After tea came Hinton St. George, Kingstone and Ilminster. At Kingstone the ropes come down in the middle of the church and here Rev. B. J. Davies gave us an address.

### MET ROVERS

Friday was rather a slack day with only six towers. At Street we discovered that the Roving Ringers had been there previously and Glastonbury we saw several of them leaving St. Benedict's. In this tower we held our first striking contest. Jim Linnell acted as judge and we put three teams into ring. Six members of the 'premier Guild,' all residents of Oxfordshire, won easily, with Hertfordshire second and Berks and Bucks (combined) third. St. Cuthbert's, Wells, were found rather heavy going. Our final tower that day was Ashcott and as we arrived the bells were being rung by the local band to Grandsire Doubles.

Saturday was the busiest day of the tour with nine towers visited. At Fivehead Howard Oglesby attempted to call spliced Hitcham, Oxford and Kent and some 20 minutes later successfully brought it into rounds. A miscall was suspected and argument arose as to whether to ring it for the Bath and Wells Association or the Society.

Lunch was at Ilminster and later in the day came another striking competition at Ash-in-Martock with Ted Venn as judge. The test

was a course of Kent Minor. Herts just pipped the premier county (Oxfordshire) with Berks and Bucks third. As the Oxfordshire contingent came second and not first bribery was immediately suspected.

### FINEST SIX

At Long Sutton we were informed that a local ringer had died recently and that the bells were half-muffled. The incumbent, the Rev. C. J. B. Marshall, and Mr. Paul Field met us and they took part in the ringing which included St. Clement's Minor. We were extremely impressed with the bells and some of us rated them as one of the finest sixes.

On arrival at camp, we immediately changed and went to a ringers' social at Staple Fitzpaine Village Hall in aid of a ringers' outing. The Ravers truly helped the party to go with a swing and social events included handbell ringing and dancing.

Snores from Bob Reeves' ten proved to be a useful alarm clock and enabled seven of us to get up at 7 a.m. on Sunday to ring for 8 a.m. Communion at Staple Fitzpaine. A missing key restricted the ringing to 10 minutes on this delightful five. Morning service ringing was on the eight octave at Wilton and in the afternoon at Norton-sub-Hamdon and Montacute. The final tower of the tour was Yeovil Parish Church (a glorious ten). Here ringing was mainly restricted to Grandsire and Stedman Caters, although Little Bob Royal was rung. Over dinner at Taunton we discussed next year's tour and reunion. August Bank Holiday came round all too soon and so ended another Ravers' tour.

We thank all incumbents and tower captains and from our own ranks Chris Clarke, Howard Oglesby, Frances Proctor and all who helped in the organisation. Next year we hope to visit Lancashire and West Yorkshire.—M.W.C.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

**Kings Norton-by-Gaulby, Leics.**

Dear Sir.—The publication of the peal of Cambridge Surprise Major at this church on October 3rd, and the 'note' in Belfry Gossip, recalls personal memories of this Church and its bells before my 'emigration' from Leicester over 30 years ago. I well remember ringing a peal of Grandsire Triples on November 2nd, 1929, arranged by the late Ernest Morris, who also invited me to conduct the peal, but after only the first few leads I let Ernest know that I should have quite enough to do to ring the 7th without also conducting. He therefore took over the calling and we rang Parker's 12-part in 3 hrs. 16 mins. The band was Ronald Russell 1, Ernest Morris (cond.) 2, J. Geoffrey Geary 3, Josiah Morris 4, William H. Clarke 5, Ernest H. Bagworth 6, A. Norman Geary tenor. At about that time the Sherwood Youths rang a peal of Grandsire Triples, conducted by the late Albert Coppock, on these bells, but I cannot remember whether their peal was before ours in 1929 or after.

I am quite sure that it was solely due to the work of the Geary brothers from Billesdon in repairing wheels, etc., that the bells were then ringable. The Sherwood Youths peal was rung in commemoration of a visit Squire William Doubleday Crofts and his band had made for a peal there a long time before (I think the first on the bells).

My recollection is also of the bells being hung with the three trebles in a separate frame from the back five, and hung at least 10 or 12 feet above them.

The local legend too was that these bells were originally a ten, and it was found that they were too much for the tower, so the two trebles were taken out and used as two of the six bells at the adjoining village of Gaulby (which incidentally have not been rung for the past 50 years, and I believe was one of the few towers in the county that Ernest Morris did not ring a peal at. Church Langton (8) was another).

The peal band of October 3rd last are to be congratulated on ringing their peal of Cambridge Major on these bells, and although it was not claimed to be the first of Major on them I believe it was so.

One more point. Staunton Harold bells (8) were about the same weight and age I believe, but compared with Norton-by-Gaulby's, Staunton Harold's were quite poor in tone. Does anyone know if Staunton Harold bells are still there and ringable?—Yours, etc.,

Wimbledon. NORMAN S. BAGWORTH.

**A Farce?**

Dear Sir.—It now appears certain that the Methods Committee have no objection to a Major method being given the same name as a Minor method if it is specifically stated that the one is not the extension of the other. This seems a ridiculous state of affairs.

I therefore state categorically that Burslem Delight Minor has no legal extension, and presume that 'To Be Named' Delight Major may now appear in official records as 'Burslem Delight Major.' Whether the law on extension is right is another matter. My argument throughout this wrangle has been directed at the rules, not at the Committee's interpretation of them.—Yours faithfully,

Retford. H. POYNER.

**Spur Stays**

Dear Sir.—Readers may be interested to note that All Saints', Wandsworth, bells have the spur stays and vertical slides described in Mr. Dalton's letter on page 728, and these bells were rehung as recently as 1922. We (at Wandsworth) find them just as satisfactory as ordinary stays and sliders.—Yours sincerely,

MICHAEL J. UPHILL.

Putney. London.

**Quarrington Surprise Major**

Dear Sir.—The method published in your issue of October 23rd is No. 3857 in the H and M Collection, whereas the footnote to the peal refers to No. 3858. Could we be sure which method was rung?—Yours faithfully,

Harrow. JOHN R. MAYNE.

## OBITUARY

**WILLIAM HENRY CLARKE**

On Sunday, October 18th, William Henry Clarke, veteran of St. John-the-Divine, Leicester, passed very peacefully to his rest aged 86 years.

Mr. Clarke, an active ringer under the leadership of the late William Willson at St. John's for many years, succeeded Mr. Willson as Master and Steeplekeeper in 1936.

The bells received the same care and attention with Mr. Clarke as his predecessor. They received the weekly attention as is necessary with plain bearings. Those who have rung there will appreciate this.

A joiner by trade, much of his work is to be seen in the ringing chamber.

Although handing over the position of Master and Steeplekeeper to the writer in 1946, he still attended regularly for both Sunday and practice ringing until undergoing an operation a few years ago. This, together with advancing age, made it impossible for him to climb the steps to the ringing chamber. However, he still came to listen to the bells, thus remaining faithful to the last.

He died as he lived: 'everyone's friend.'

The funeral service prior to cremation took place at St. John-the-Divine on Thursday, October 22nd.

In the evening a half-muffled quarter peal was rung to his memory. S. H.

**MR. CHARLES DALE**

Mr. Charles Dale, Ringing Master of St. Alphege Parish Church, Solihull, died in hospital on October 27th after a short illness, at the age of 72.

His devotion to his Church and service for others was mentioned in a tribute to him by Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd published in 'The Ringing World' after his 70th birthday.

Charles Dale was a boy chorister at the Parish Church, Coleshill, Warwickshire. At a quarterly meeting of the St. Martin's Guild held at Coleshill earlier this year when the ringers were sitting in the choir stalls during the service, Mr. Dale said to the writer sitting with him 'Do you know, I was sitting in this very seat as a choirboy over sixty years ago.'

Later Mr. Dale became a bellringer and to this calling he had been a constant and loyal servant. He was elected Ringing Master at Solihull Parish Church in 1957 and remained in that office until his death. A great friend to all his ringers, he always maintained their loyalty and respect. In addition to his regular attendance for service ringing and practices he gave many hours to teaching learners. Patient and kindly to everyone, and never a bad word spoken of others. His Christian way of life was an example and inspiration to many.

Many of the improvements in the ringing chamber in recent years have been due to his energies, and these will be a lasting memorial to one who will be truthfully missed. Of him it can be greatly said—'He was a gentleman.' T.J.W.

**MR. S. A. PAICE**

The death on October 11th of Mr. Sidney Alfred Paice, at the age of 78, has left a gap in the band of Horsham Parish Church bellringers which will be sadly noticed.

He had been ringing at Horsham for over sixty years. For very many years he was secretary of the Horsham Society and was treasurer at the time of his death. He was a faithful Sunday service ringer, a regular attendant at practices and taught scores of learners to handle a bell. Although a capable ringer, he had not rung many peals, those he did being mainly at Horsham.

At his funeral service at Horsham Parish Church the Vicar spoke of his life-long connection with the Church. The bells were rung half-muffled for the service by his ringing friends. They were L. Stilwell (Worthing), Denis Mitchell (East Grinstead), E. Fosbury and Harold Wood (Billingshurst), W. Beeson (Cranleigh), G. Francis and M. Turner (Warnham), L. Bourne, C. Denyer, T. Fox, E. Rapley and D. Smith (Horsham). An attempt was made the following day to ring a half-muffled peal, but this, unfortunately, came to grief, but an excellent quarter peal was rung.

T. G. F.

**MR. J. W. UNWIN****AN APPRECIATION**

Jack Unwin, who passed away on Oct. 7th in his 81st year, was truly a great churchman. It is said that no one can replace his devotion; he had held nearly every lay position, at St. Stephen's Church, Hackington, Canterbury. He instigated the revival of the band of ringers in February, 1961, at that church.

His connection with ringing in the Canterbury District began in May, 1921, when he became a member. Since then he became an integral part of the ringing fraternity: a member and then captain of the Cathedral band.

Many members paid homage to him at his funeral at St. Stephen's on October 12th. The Ven. A. Sargent, Archdeacon of Canterbury, read the lesson, the Rt. Rev. Bishop Rose gave the blessing, and the Rector (Rev. R. C. Desch) gave the address.

Both the Cathedral and St. Stephen's bands rang half-muffled quarter peals in the evening.

**MR. H. T. WILSON**

The Essex Association lost one of its oldest life members with the passing of Mr. Henry T. Wilson, on October 13th, in his 89th year.

Tom Wilson learned to ring at Quex Park around 1890 and came to Essex at the turn of the century. A shop fitter, he lived at Walthamstow for a time and then moved to Southend, where for many years he was with St. Mary's, Prittlewell, under the leadership of the late William Judd.

He came to Brentwood during the last war and was a member of the local band until disabled in a cycle accident eight years ago.

A competent ringer and striker on all numbers of bells and an able conductor, he kept no record of his peals but they ranged from Doubles to Maximus.

The funeral was at St. Paul's, Bentley Common, on October 20th when he was buried with his wife, who died about 10 years ago.

A half-muffled quarter peal of Stedman Triples was rung to his memory at Brentwood in the evening by Miss J. F. Woods (first of Stedman 1, J. H. Stich 2, H. Turner (cond.) 3, E. W. Furbank 4, A. E. Pryke 5, E. T. Stich 6, B. C. Hines 7, H. Flanders 8).

**'OVERTONES' NEW EDITOR**

Mr. James R. Lawson, carillonneur of the Riverside Church, New York, has been succeeded as editor of 'Overtones', the official publication of the American Guild of Handbell Ringers, by Mr. Raymond K. Hollinger, 20, South Prospect Street, Hagerstown, Maryland, U.S.A.

The current issue of 'Overtones' is a tenth anniversary special, the Guild of American Handbell Ringers being formed in 1954 with Mrs. Margaret Homer Shurcliff as its president. There is a memoir to Mrs. Shurcliff, who as Margaret Nichols, was elected a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths in 1902 and was the first lady to ring a peal of Stedman Triples 'in hand.'

**VISIT TO BRITISH COLUMBIA**

Mr. W. H. Lloyd, well known in the Hereford Diocesan Guild, has just returned from Vancouver Island, where with his wife, he visited their daughter and son-in-law (Dr. and Mrs. Bruce Laing). It was no surprise, therefore, that the family party found themselves at Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria, B.C. on the first Sunday morning of the visit! Ruby Laing (herself well known as a ringer before her marriage) introduced her father, whereupon Mr. Izard, the Master Ringer, at once 'offered a rope' to the delight of two small grandsons! Memorable occasion, and one of the highlights of a wonderful trip!

**WRAXALL, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. W. Knight 1, M. Clark 2, S. R. Cole 3, P. J. Gardner 4, J. Evered 5, F. Sandy 6, R. Cole (cond.) 7, N. Bull 8. For Harvest Festival.



## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION Canterbury District

The annual meeting of the Canterbury District was held on October 17th, at St. Dunstan's, Canterbury. Over 80 members attended including visitors from other districts. Three towers were open on the day—the Cathedral, St. Alphege's, and St. Dunstan's.

The service was held at St. Dunstan's and Canon A. L. Lawler officiated, the choir being supplemented by ringers: the organist was Trevor Pinnock. Tea was provided in the Parish Hall.

Mr. J. A. Russell was chairman for the business meeting. The secretary read his report, noting that membership was down by 11 to 269, compared with last October's figures, the average attendance over six meetings was 52. Christ Church College students were helping to keep the local bands up to strength.

The balance sheet shows a slight decline, but, comparing the figures of last October, the collection of Fred Mitchell Memorial Fund outweighs the difference. With the expenses of £5 17s. 7d. a balance is left of £46 2s. 11d.

All officers were nominated, with the exception of the Ringing Master. Mr. F. C. W. Knight was put forward and elected and Mr. D. A. Chapman was proposed Assistant District Secretary, with responsibility for all meetings in the absence of the Secretary.

The returning Ringing Master in his report stated that 18 peals were rung. He hoped the striking competition in 1965 would improve the standard of ringing and handling the bells. Seventeen new members were elected, 9 from Chartham.

Mr. John Willis brought to the notice of members the need of regular Sunday service ringing. He sounded the meeting regarding the possibility of support for a course on ringing, to be held in the county. After much discussion it was felt that the most opportune time would be just after Easter.

The church collection for the day was donated to the Organ Fund of St. Stephen's, in memory of Mr. J. W. Unwin.

In closing the meeting the chairman thanked the Dean and Chapter of Canterbury, the Rector of St. Alphege's and Canon Lawler respectively for the use of the bells, and the ladies for providing the tea. T.C.P.

## DUBLIN UNIVERSITY GUILD

Seven members of the Dublin University Guild—the Misses A. Sadler, Mr. Bernard-Smith and S. Dukes, and Messrs. A. Kere-Hodge, A. Pike, P. Vesey and M. Davis—took part in a ringing tour of North Wales on October 24th, at the invitation of the University of Wales Society, several of whose members joined us.

The towers visited were Portmadoc, Bangor, Llandegai, Llandudno, Abergel and Beaumaris, and methods rung included Plain Bob and Kent Minor and Major, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, and several Minor and Doubles methods. We were accompanied throughout the tour by a non-ringer named Alexander, a skewbald rabbit, who seemed to enjoy himself as much as we did! Thanks are expressed to the incumbents of the churches visited, especially to the Welsh ringers for the arrangements, and to Mrs. Bernard-Smith for the generous way in which she supplied the transport.

## 60 Years in One Tower



MR. H. J. GRAVETT

On October 11th Burgess Hill ringers rang a quarter peal to mark the completion of 60 years' service to the tower by Mr. Henry J. (Harry) Gravett, elder brother of the late Arthur Gravett, of St. Peter's, Brighton.

Harry's membership of the Sussex County Association dates back to 1905. Of his 24 peals, 13 have been rung at Burgess Hill. He stood in an attempt to ring 8,000 Bob Major which broke down at 7,000 changes.

During these 60 years he has been a devoted member of the band, helping learners and setting a good example in punctuality. We were all proud to take part in this small tribute to a much-loved and respected member. K. C. K.

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SHEFFIELD, YORKS.—At St. Marie's (R.C.), on Oct. 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. J. Tibbets 1, Elizabeth M. Snell 2, J. Hartley 3, Kathleen M. Higgins 4, C. G. Sayer 5, M. R. Meadows 6, J. E. Chapman (cond.) 7, C. A. Friskney 8. Rung for evening service by Sheffield University Guild. First of Triples for the Guild.

## THE ROCHESTER WEEK-END

CHIEFLY of note in the Rochester outing to Bath and the West, arranged by Mr. and Mrs. Short, was the warmly companionable atmosphere of the hard-working group from Hertfordshire, and Ron Short and his two friends. They strengthened the band and added to the good company.

The list of towers on Saturday was formidable:

Bradford-on-Avon, Holy Trinity (8), 30 cwt. (little Saxon church nearby not to be missed); Westbury-on-Severn (8), 35 cwt. (lunch at the Cedar Hotel, Warminster Road); Frome, St. John-the-Baptist (8), 27 cwt. (George Massey was here discovered by some old friends); Mells, St. Andrew (8), 26 cwt. (broken guides in the clock chamber are apparently necessary to reach the clock mechanism! A local ringer arrived in time to brush aside our concern as groundless. Apparently it was!); Chewton Mendip, St. Mary Magdalene (8), 24 cwt.

Break here for tea. Secretaries, attention! Mrs. Baber, Barrow Farm, Chewton Mendip, Somerset, is the wife of a keen ringer, has been brought up in the tradition and — miraculously — likes housing and catering for ringing parties. Hats off to Mrs. Baber and family.

On the wheel again for: Blagdon (8), 19 cwt. and Chew Magna (8), 28 cwt. This was the last ring of the day and we thankfully turned into the Angel Hotel, Bath, where we were looked after a great deal better than we have been at some more star-spangled hotels.

We mixed with Twerton-on-Avon's keen young band in ringing for the Parish Communion on Sunday. After breakfast at The Angel, we rang at Bath Abbey (10), 34 cwt. (Dr. Dobbie found some friends from her Birmingham ringing days joining in her Sunday Matins touch).

In the afternoon to Batheaston (6), 18 cwt. and after tea quickly glossed over at Malmesbury to our final tower, Newbury St. Nicholas (10), 16 cwt., where we rang for evening service.

Our only disappointment was that Audrey Short, who with her husband arranged our outing, was in hospital. It was a wonderful weekend, Audrey, and your arrangements were just perfect. We hope you smelt our best wishes for recovery with the flowers which have reached you by now. You can look on the weekend, with an average tenor weight of 24 cwt., as a huge heavyweight success. Thank you, L. G. G.

## Sleaford and Grantham District Outing

Five towers in Cambridgeshire—Tydd St. Giles (6), Newton (6), Levington (6), Wisbech St. Mary (6) and Elam (6)—were visited by Sleaford and Grantham ringers on Sept. 6th. Methods rung were Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob, Little Bob, Kent and Oxford T.B., Cambridge Surprise, St. Clement's, Norwich Surprise and Single Court. A good standard of ringing was maintained. Thanks are accorded to Mr. Edgar Cole, the organiser, incumbents and those who met the party. E.A.C.

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# QUARTER PEALS

**ADDERBURY, OXON.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Grandshire Triples: A. Bennett 1, P. Davis 2, P. E. Powell 3, C. A. Bennett 4, D. Reeves 5, M. Sayers 6, R. Reeves (cond.) 7, J. Wyatt 8. First in method 2 and 5. A farewell to Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Roper, who are leaving Adderbury for Selby, Yorks.

**ASHTED, SURREY.**—On Aug. 30th, 1,260 Grandshire Triples: B. Piper 1, Geraldine Piper 2, R. Bradbury 3, J. T. Symonds 4, Diana Prynn 5, J. Beams 6, M. Harbott (cond.) 7, Margaret Rippon 8. For the christening of Sally Carolyn Kong, the youngest grandchild of J. T. Symonds. Also on Oct. 21st, 1,260 Grandshire Triples: Geraldine Piper 1, Adrienne Gibson 2, R. Bradbury 3, Diana Prynn 4, J. T. Symonds 5, M. Harbott 6, J. L. Hayns (cond.) 7, Margaret Rippon 8. Rung half-muffled following the memorial service to Peggy Halscy, the wife of the Rector.

**BARKSTON, Lincs.**—On Oct. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. A. Colborne 1, Miss C. Lewis 2, D. Hopkinson 3, G. Colborne 4, J. R. Holmes 5, D. A. Frith (cond.) 6.

**BARNSELY, YORKS.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 T.B. Minor (Woodbine, Oxford): Eileen Jenkinson (first quarter) 1, L. W. Carbutt 2, I. Crossland 3, P. Carbutt (cond.) 4, E. Stainrod 5, H. Mann 6.

**BARROW-ON-HUMBER, Lincs.**—On Oct. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss R. Pile (first quarter) 1, Mrs. W. A. Crowder 2, M. W. Crowder (cond.) 3, N. Bell 4, G. Bromfield 5, W. A. Crowder 6. Rung for the conductor's birthday, and his parents' silver wedding anniversary.

**BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Grandshire): Miss S. Bird (first quarter) 1, Miss L. Doone 2, Miss E. Pryke 3, R. J. Brown (cond.) 4, Miss B. Fisher 5. For Matins.

**BISHOPSGATE, LONDON.**—At St. Botolph's, on Sept. 30th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: C. Hughes 1, K. Warner 2, J. Euston 3, D. Darby 4, D. Elliston 5, R. Tingley 6, D. Hewitt (cond.) 7, P. Chapman 8. For Harvest Festival.

**BOSHAM, SUSSEX.**—On Oct. 11th, 1,320 Doubles (nine methods): I. Freestone 1, Diane Siret 2, M. J. Kirk (cond.) 3, J. Hallett 4, B. J. Davis 5, A. Palmer 6. The congratulations of the band go to Alan Palmer, on his 21st birthday; also rung prior to the 'Laying up of the Boats' service.

**BRADDEN, NORTHANTS.**—On Oct. 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Mrs. Grant-Ives (first quarter) 1, Betty Mansfield 2, G. G. Mansfield 3, J. Snelling 4, A. W. Mansfield (cond.) 5. For Harvest Festival.

**BRISTOL.**—At St. Werburgh's Church, on Oct. 25th, 1,260 Grandshire Doubles: K. R. J. Ingham 1, R. W. Sweet 2, S. G. Riches (cond.) 3, A. J. True 4, L. H. Clash 5, J. David (first quarter) 6. For Evensong, and to mark Arthur True's 51st year as a ringer at St. Werburgh's, also his 44th wedding anniversary.

**BROMHAM, BEDS.**—On Sept. 29th, 1,260 Grandshire Triples: Mrs. M. R. Field 1, D. A. Hammond 2, J. B. Long 3, R. Chapman 4, R. L. Piron 5, E. P. Inskip 6, C. E. Jeffries (cond.) 7, R. E. Fowler 8. Wedding compliment to Miss P. M. Stratton and Mr. P. A. Wakeman.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—At St. Mary the Great, on Oct. 11th, 1,320 Stedman Cinques: J. W. R. Quinney 1, H. F. Brown 2, J. M. H. Hunter (arr. and cond.) 3, H. J. F. Muncy 4, J. Rank 5, E. G. Hibbins 6, R. M. Damerell 7, P. D. Lawrence (first on 12) 8, B. D. Threlfall 9, H. Foster 10, P. J. Bergdahl (first of Stedman Cinques) 11, J. A. Harrison 12. Rung for Harvest Festival.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—At Our Lady and the English Martyrs (R.C.), on Oct. 15th, 1,263 Stedman Triples: P. J. Bergdahl 1, J. W. R. Quinney (cond.) 2, H. J. F. Muncy 3, C. R. F. Muncy 4, S. P. Darvill 5, H. Foster 6, C. H. Rogers 7, V. Nutton 8.

**CANTERBURY, KENT.**—At the Cathedral, on Oct. 12th, 1,295 Grandshire Caters: A. E. Davies 1, Mrs. D. A. Chapman 2, T. C. Phillimore 3, D. C. Chatfield 4, Miss J. M. E. Dixon 5, S. Walter 6, D. L. Cawley 7, T. H. Holmes 8, D. A. Chapman (cond.) 9, E. A. Dixon 10. First on ten 1 and 7. Rung half-muffled in memory of John W. Unwin, member of the Canterbury Cathedral company from 1922 and Ringing Master from 1946.

**CHELSEFIELD, KENT.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob (Minor): J. S. Barnes (cond.) 1, Ann Galloway (first 'inside') 2, Hilary Martin 3, Jillian Outhwaite 4, D. L. Parker 5, R. W. Hinde 6. For Harvest Festival.

**COLWICH, STAFFS.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandshire and Plain Bob): N. C. Bowen (first quarter) 1, L. E. Monk 2, Lucy Smith 3, C. T. Collins 4, C. M. Smith (cond.) 5, C. T. Bowen 6. For Evensong.

**CRANFIELD, BEDS.**—On Oct. 21st, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): D. R. Manton 1, Elizabeth Manton 2, Pauline Hillson 3, G. Holman 4, R. Churchill (cond.) 5. A birthday compliment to the second ringier.

**DEENE, NORTHANTS.**—On Oct. 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. M. Thorley (cond.) 1, R. Russell 2, P. S. Heath 3, R. A. Todd 4, G. Reynolds 5, E. A. Jacques 6. For Harvest Festival.

**DUBLIN.**—At St. Patrick's Cathedral, on Oct. 25th, 1,260 Grandshire Triples (on the back eight): T. H. Wilson 1, V. R. McCormack (first 'inside') 2, R. A. Vere Hodge 3, H. W. Jones 4, C. J. Reece 5, W. T. Farrell 6, C. A. Lewis (cond.) 7, H. H. Brown 8. A ruby wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Buchanan.

**EALING, MIDDXX.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Oct. 18th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: P. N. Felton 1, A. H. Fulwell 2, A. M. Stacey 3, W. G. Wilson 4, F. Ransom 5, F. D. Bishop 6, M. T. Sprackling (cond.) 7, N. F. Felton 8.

**EASTCHURCH, KENT.**—On Oct. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: R. H. Glover 1, P. A. Harrison 2, K. I. Davis 3, R. Button (cond.) 4, M. E. Harrison 5, H. C. Haywood 6.

**ECCELSHALL, STAFFS.**—On Oct. 10th, 1,260 Grandshire Doubles: S. Swift 1, Miss J. M. Yardley 2, B. D. Sims (cond.) 3, M. Matthews 4, M. F. Hall 5, R. Foster 6. By St. Mary's, Handsworth, band on tour.

**ELTHAM, KENT.**—1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Rowling (first in method) 1, J. Sims 2, K. Small 3, P. Clarke 4, G. Clarke (cond.) 5, F. Hurrell 6. For Dedication Festival Evensong.

**FILTON, GLOS.**—On Oct. 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: T. Morgan 1, Miss R. Sheldon 2, Miss M. Haslum 3, D. Haslum 4, A. Howard (cond.) 5, F. Sheldon 6. Also on Oct. 11th, 1,320 London Doubles: Miss R. Morse 1, A. Howard (cond.) 2, Miss M. Haslum 3, D. Haslum 4, D. Voss 5, M. Buckler 6. For Harvest Festival.

**GRANTHAM, Lincs.**—On Oct. 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: C. F. Baxter 1, D. A. Frith 2, Miss C. Lewis 3, D. Hopkinson 4, F. W. Pinchbeck 5, V. P. Evans 6, J. R. Holmes 7, P. A. Slight 8, D. R. Baxter (cond.) 9, H. R. Woods 10.

**GRAYSHOTT, HANTS.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Grandshire Triples: R. Dew 1, F. Bowden (cond.) 2, T. Phillips 3, Miss R. Moore 4, T. Davies 5, Miss G. Winnett 6, G. Yarborough 7, P. LeBlanc 8. First of Triples 1, 3, 5, 6, 8. For St. Luke's.

**GREAT BOWDEN, LEICS.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Grandshire Doubles: Rosemary Brooks (first quarter) 1, P. Bosworth 2, Judy Morris 3, E. Martin 4, R. Martin (first as cond.) 5. For Harvest Festival.

**GREENWICH, KENT.**—At St. Alfege's Church, 1,259 Grandshire Caters: Miss F. Webber 1, M. F. Oakshott 2, R. J. Cooles 3, Miss F. J. H. Oakshott 4, Miss F. Cannon 5, P. J. Spice 6, R. Clarke 7, D. P. Smith 8, J. W. Smith (cond.) 9, J. Dafters 10. A wedding compliment to Philippa A. Bates and Frederic H. Shepherd.

**HAMPTON, MIDDXX.**—On Sept. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Hilary Essen 1, Lesley Essen 2, C. F. Low 3, Alison Wylie 4, P. H. D. Jones 5, W. S. Deacon (cond.) 6. First quarter 1 and 2. For Evensong. Also on Oct. 4th, 1,260 Minor (St. Clement's and Plain Bob): Lesley Essen 1, Hilary Essen 2, Dr. Gillian Leale 3, Alison Wylie 4, R. G. Leale 5, W. S. Deacon (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**HONTON, DEVON.**—At St. Michael's Church, 1,260 Grandshire Doubles: C. Manley 1, R. Watts 2, A. Crabb 3, F. Stamp (first quarter) 4, W. Webb (cond.) 5, J. Real 6. For St. Michael's Day.

**HORSHAM, SUSSEX.**—On Oct. 17th, 1,260 Grandshire Triples: Miss D. M. Mullins 1, T. Fox 2, W. T. Beeson 3, E. Fossberry 4, D. D. Smith 5, G. Jennings 6, G. Francis (cond.) 7, C. Denyer 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Sydney Paice, over 60 years a ringer at Horsham.

**HOUGH-ON-THE-HILL, Lincs.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: F. W. Pinchbeck 1, W. H. Dale 2, G. J. Colborne 3, H. L. Squires 4, C. F. Baxter 5, D. R. Baxter (cond.) 6. For Harvest Festival.

**HUNTINGDON.**—At All Saints' Church, on Oct. 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. Nixley 1, R. B. Davey 2, G. E. Bonham 3, A. J. Davey 4, T. G. Smith 5, H. S. Peacock (cond.) 6. Rung as a welcome home to the Queen, after her visit to Canada.

**HUTTON, ESSEX.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Doubles (All Saints' and Plain Bob): P. Friend 1, C. E. Hill 2, W. G. Wright 3, W. T. Hill (cond.) 4, R. G. Jones 5. A farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Ellis. Mr. Ellis was churchwarden and a vice-president of All Saints' Guild.

**KIMPTON, HERTS.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Margaret Lander 1, Susan Desborough (first quarter) 2, D. Price 3, Helen Price 4, K. Walpole (cond.) 5, Diane Angell 6. For Harvest Festival.

**KINGSTON-ON-HULL, YORKS.**—On Oct. 14th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: K. Goldthorpe 1, R. Ducker 2, Joan Gray 3, K. Kirk 4, G. K. Smith 5, H. C. Palmer 6, D. S. Johnson 7, A. B. Cooper (cond.) 8. First of Bob Major 3 and 4.

**KINGWESTON, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 11th, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): A. Callow 1, Mrs. D. Crocker 2, Miss J. Crocker 3, R. Parker 4, F. J. White (cond.) 5. For Harvest Festival.

**KIRK ELLA, E. YORKS.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,440 Double Court Bob Minor: I. Goldthorpe 1, G. Smith 2, K. Kirk 3, A. B. Cooper 4, H. Palmer 5, D. S. Johnson (cond.) 6. First in the method by all the band and on the bells. For Evensong, and visit of the B. hop of Hull.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): A. Neilson 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, Myrtle Cook 3, H. P. Yates 4, R. P. Brotherton (cond.) 5, D. Gower 6. For Evensong.

**MARKSBURY, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. Horseman 1, A. Perry 2, Rosemary Smith 3, K. Baker (first of Minor 'inside') 4, C. Clarke (cond.) 5, R. Smith 6.

**MORTON, DERBYS.**—On Oct. 11th, 1,272 Kent Treble Bob Minor: B. A. Richards (cond.) 1, F. Knowles 2, L. Parker (first of Treble Bob) 3, W. Swain 4, E. J. Stierland 5, J. Swain 6. For Harvest Festival.

**NORWICH.**—At St. John de Sepulchre, on Oct. 18th, 1,260 Grandshire Triples: R. Lubbeck 1, F. C. Goodman 2, D. House 3, D. Cubitt (cond.) 4, H. Tooke 5, H. W. Barrett 6, M. Cubitt 7, D. P. Mortlock 8. For Evensong.

**OSPRINGE, KENT.**—On Oct. 11th, 1,260 Grandshire Triples: A. G. Terry 1, Mrs. D. Nicholson 2, C. J. Eades 3, W. S. Palin 4, B. E. Jemmett 5, F. C. Farnsworth 6, E. T. Eades (cond.) 7, G. Nicholson 8. For Harvest Festival. Also on October 17th, 1,260 Grandshire Triples: A. G. Terry 1, Mrs. D. Nicholson 2, C. J. Eades 3, W. S. Palin 4, B. E. Jemmett 5, F. C. Farnsworth 6, E. T. Eades (cond.) 7, G. Nicholson 8. Rung prior to the institution by the Archbishop of Canterbury and the induction by the Archdeacon of Canterbury of the Rev. P. W. Allen, M.A., as Vicar.

**OXFORD.**—On Oct. 4th, at St. Aldate's Church, 1,260 Doubles (Grandshire and Plain Bob): Miss G. Gray 1, E. R. Venn (cond.) 2, J. Venn 3, R. H. Allsworth 4, S. D. Edwards 5, R. Benstead 6. For Harvest Festival, and as a welcome to the new curate.

**PERRANARWORTHAL, CORNWALL.**—On Oct. 17th, 1,260 Grandshire Doubles: Barbara Duck 1, A. Locke 2, D. Stephens (first 'inside') 3, G. F. Dunstan 4, A. J. Davidson (cond.) 5, A. Beattie 6.

**PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA.**—At St. George's Cathedral, on Oct. 18th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: Jacoba Hos (first of Minor) 1, Laura Beeny 2, Michael Page (first of Minor) 3, Brian Lawes 4, Basil Potts (first of Minor as conductor) 5, Laith Reynolds (first of Minor) 6. For Evensong. First of Minor on the bells. A farewell to Miss Laura Beeny and Basil Potts.

**PIDDINGTON, OXON.**—On Oct. 8th, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): J. W. Eustace 1, Diana Reeves 2, R. A. Reeves 3, L. A. Busby 4, C. C. Clarke (cond.) 5. For Harvest Festival.

**PORTBURY, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 14th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandshire and Plain Bob): R. Goodliffe 1, C. Peaple 2, V. James 3, G. Skelly 4, M. Horseman (cond.) 5, R. Haskins 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. C. W. T. James, Vicar's warden.

**PULHAM MARKET, NORFOLK.**—On Oct. 2nd, 1,260 Kent Treble Bob Minor (8 coverings): E. Whiting (cond.) 1, A. G. Harrison 3, E. G. H. Maynard 4, R. Churchill 5, L. Minns 6, W. Flatt 7, H. B. Fuller 8. For Harvest Festival.

**WARMINSTER, WILTS.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Grandshire Triples: Miss M. Favill (first quarter) 1, P. Roynon 2, N. Webber 3, E. C. Shepherd 4, C. White 5, E. Norris (cond.) 6, N. Kne 7, T. Mallard 8. A compliment to the ringer of 4th on completing 50 years as a ringer, and to the daughter of the ringer of 7th on her engagement.

**WRINGTON, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 15th, 1,277 Grandshire Caters: Miss O. Williams 1, H. W. Knight 2, G. H. Pulten 3, M. Collins 4, Mrs. H. Kingcott 5, A. Ferris 6, R. Cole 7, S. Smith 8, W. H. Kingcott (cond.) 9, J. Baker 10. Rung as a compliment to the Rev. Bernard Leigh and Miss Shelia Mullary, for their marriage on October 10th, also for the Rev. Roger O. Fry, on his recent induction as Rector of Portishead.



## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

### Frome Branch

A bitterly cold day with occasional heavy showers did not deter numerous members and friends from attending the autumn branch meeting at Douling. Some 55 people were present at the service conducted by the Branch Chairman, the Rev. A. G. Durston.

At the meeting members stood in silence in remembrance of Mr. Charles Harvey, of Compton Dando, who recently passed away. Two new members from Wanstrow were elected along with 11 non-resident life members.

Mr. G. Massey in proposing the vote of thanks, made special reference to Messrs. Arthur Kingston and Jack Metcalfe for making the local arrangements under very difficult conditions.

Ringing on handbells and in the tower then continued until 8.30 p.m.

Branch annual meeting, Shepton Mallet, January 9th, subject to consent.

D. T. H. R.

### Chew Branch

The bells were kept going in a variety of methods when the Chew Branch held their quarterly meeting at Winford on October 10th. The Rector (the Rev. W. J. Penny) gave an interesting address at the service and afterwards joined the company, of about 30, for tea at the village hall.

At the short business meeting the Secretary reminded those present that only nine towers had so far paid their subscriptions this year, and asked that those outstanding would contact him without delay, as it was necessary to complete totals before the annual meeting.

Mr. G. Masters, of Winford, was elected a member.

November meeting, Easton - in - Gordano; annual, Stanton Drew, with Chew Magna after tea.

J. B.

## LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

### Monmouth Branch at Usk

The Monmouth Branch meeting, held at Usk on October 10th, proved to be a most enjoyable and memorable occasion. All the Usk ringers were early in the tower to welcome warmly some 50 visitors.

The service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. R. L. Davies, Mrs. York was at the organ and Mr. Reuben Clench read the lesson. A bountiful tea, prepared by ringers' wives, was afterwards waiting at the Usk Memorial Hall. The Rev. Ivor Richards expressed the sincere thanks of the visitors to the Usk ringers, and also to Mrs. York.

New members were elected from Blaenavon, Newport and Usk. The Master, Mr. Jack James, reported progress from Monmouth where a new band was being formed. Mr. David Pike reported progress from Caerleon where many learners were being taught. Mr. Trevor Roderick spoke of the renovation work done to the Usk ringing chamber by the Usk ringers themselves. He considered that they had saved the church many hundreds of pounds and that a contractor could not have done a better job.

The Vicar proudly confirmed and said the parishioners were very proud of the efforts of the ringers.

Good wishes were expressed to the Rev. Ronald Lucas on his ordination and warm birthday wishes were given to the genial Usk tower captain, Mr. Lionel Jones. Mr. Jack James thanked the Vicar for his welcome to the Branch and for so ably conducting the business.

J. S. K.

**LAMBETH, LONDON.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Sept. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss M. E. Powell 1, G. Clarke 2, Miss B. J. Leigh 3, R. E. Clarke (cond.) 4, P. R. Clarke 5, L. C. Way 6, C. M. Meyer 7, W. D. Grainger 8. Rung at the request of the Archbishop of Canterbury for the meeting with the Patriarch of Moscow at Lambeth Palace.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD

A quarterly meeting of the Guild was held at Shirley on October 17th when the Guild's form of service was conducted by the Vicar in the Parish Church of St. James-the-Great.

At the commencement of the meeting, the Master (Mr. R. C. Ingram) referred to several notable events which had occurred since the last meeting. On August 9th, the Rector of Birmingham (Canon Bryan S. W. Green) unveiled the memorial tablet to the late Albert Walker in St. Martin's belfry. In addition to the members of the Sunday band, Albert's son and daughter were present, and the presence of Mr. and Mrs. John Chilcott and Mr. John S. Mason, who had journeyed from London specially for the occasion, was appreciated.

For Mr. Frank E. Haynes this Sunday was memorable as it was his last day as a member of the St. Martin's Sunday band before leaving for Cambridge. Frank was the recipient of a bookcase from his ringing friends of the 'Bull Ring' tower in appreciation of his 35 years' service in St. Martin's belfry.

Tower elections of the following life members were duly ratified: Mrs. Diana M. Frost (London), Michael Maughan (Newcastle-on-Tyne), Martin L. J. Jordan (Tewin, Herts), Robert E. Hardy (Elstree, Herts), E. J. Gower (Cambridge).

It was formally proposed and agreed that the Henry Johnson Commemoration dinner be held on March 6th, provided that suitable accommodation can be found, at a reasonable price.

A suggestion that a striking competition should be held among the towers within the diocese will receive further consideration at the next meeting. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Vicar, for conducting the service and for the use of the bells.

Next meeting (annual) St. Martin's Hall, January 2nd.

**LEYTONSTONE, ESSEX.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: Mrs. A. Crampion 1, C. Willmington 2, Miss P. Fox (first in method) 3, C. Hughes 4, R. Smith 5, D. Ellison 6, D. Hewitt 7, J. Crampion (cond.) 8. For Harvest Festival.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP

Capt. Marybelle Nissly is the first lady member of the American Forces to ring a peal and maybe the first member of the Forces. This took place at Huntingdon on October 22nd. It was Marybelle's first attempt; she was ringing the treble to Plain Bob Minor. Although, states the conductor, suffering from a heavy cold, she rang very well, and afterwards received the congratulations of the band. The peal at Weedon Beck (see page 639) was rung on Friday, September 4th.

The peal at Andover on September 26th was Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Randle's 300th together.

The peal of Stedman Cinques at Oxford on October 3rd was 5,115 changes not 5,152 as published.

This year the Kent County Association propose to hold their Easter Monday meeting at Canterbury.

The peal rung at Painswick, Glos, of Stedman Cinques (page 333) was for the Painswick Youths and not the College Youths as published. The error is regretted.

From Mr. Ralph Edwards we hear that Mr. Jim Woolford was not the first to 'turn in' Liverpool Cathedral tenor. Obviously it was the one and only 'Tenor King'—Mr. A. Patrick Cannon. He rang it to three leads of Treble Bob Royal.

Some 50 ringers attended the autumn festival of the Penzance Branch of the Truro Diocesan Guild at Crowan on October 10th with evening ringing also at Camborne, Gwinear and Wendron. The Vicar (Rev. J. E. Beckerlegge) conducted the service.

Mr. Frederick Sharpe is troubled with whooping cough. He was unable, in consequence, to attend the dinner last Saturday of the Ancient Society of College Youths, the first he had missed for 31 years. His friends wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. E. Barnett writes: I am sure Mr. Walker was perfectly correct in describing the bells at Merton College as 'the oldest complete ring by one founder in existence.' A complete ring is an octave, anything less is incomplete.

Mr. Arthur V. Pearson, of Wombourn, Staffs, who is a member of the Claverley

band, is in Czechoslovakia, having been sent by his Midland firm of engineers on prestige work, of some importance to the foreign trade of this country. He anticipates being in Czechoslovakia until February with a three week break at Christmas. He sends his best wishes to all ringing friends.

The peal of Grandsire Triples rung at Shifnal on October 3rd (page 720) was for the Stafford Archdeaconry Society, not the Shropshire Association.

The incomprehensible Irish! Dublin University Guild took with them during their tour a rabbit named Alexander who seemed to enjoy himself as much as they did!

Church Lench bells, Worcestershire, installed between 1868-1870, have not been rehung since that date. The peal on October 18th was the first on the bells since 1912.

South Wales College Youths rang the first peal of Stedman Triples on the augmented bells at Newton Nottage, Glamorgan, on Oct. 23rd as a compliment to Mr. Jack Phillips on completing his year as Master of the Society.

In the recent peal of Doubles at Bradford, Yorkshire, there were two first-pealers. The 14-year-old ringer of the tenor, Philip Wood, had only been ringing for 11 months. He is the first member of the recently revived local team to ring a peal.

Mr. Michael King, of Wentworth Vicarage, Rotherham, writes that his 15,000 thesis on school ringers will not be available for the Central Council Library until March, 1965. He would be grateful for any extra information and thanks all who have assisted in the project.

Fl./Sgt. John Sankey, who is a member of flight crew, arrived back at Lyneham from Singapore on Sunday, September 20th. After a few hours' sleep he took his place in the tower to ring a peal for the 24th anniversary of the Battle of Britain. It was a delighted but very tired man who stood the treble after the peal to his first peal of Doubles.

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## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Tenor 8½ cwt.

Trevor M. Roderick .. .. Treble	David J. Llewellyn .. .. 5
Tudor P. Edwards .. .. 2	Gwyn I. Lewis .. .. 6
Donald G. Clift .. .. 3	Nicholas W. H. Simon .. 7
Thomas Yeomans .. .. 4	Jack M. Pryor .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. Washbrook. Conducted by Tudor P. Edwards.  
Rung as a compliment to the Master, Mr. Jack Phillips, on the completion of his term of office, by a band of South Wales College Youths.

First peal of Stedman on the augmented bells.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
EAST CHINNOCK, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

42 extents, ten callings.	Tenor 15 cwt.
Raymond P. Selway .. .. Treble	Rev. C. J. B. Marshall .. 3
Gilbert W. Rendell .. .. 2	Albert W. Dyer .. .. 4

William E. Turner .. .. Tenor

Conducted by William E. Turner.

The first peal on the bells.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

MACCLESFIELD, Cheshire.—At Christ Church.

On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

No. 3 Version.	Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb.
*Derek Yates .. .. Treble	John Worth .. .. 6
Harold C. Lonyon .. .. 2	Frank Osbaldiston .. .. 7
Basil Jones .. .. 3	Alan A. Potts .. .. 8
Robert J. Warrilow .. 4	William H. Dowse .. .. 9
*Alan McFall .. .. 5	Robert B. Smith .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Kenneth Lewis.

\* First peal in the method.

Rung for the wedding of Mr. William King, a service ringer at the above church, to Mrs. M. Edge, who is also a member of this church.

MACCLESFIELD, Cheshire.—At Christ Church.

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PUDSEY SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb.

William H. Dowse .. .. Treble	C. Kenneth Lewis .. .. 6
Derek F. Yates .. .. 2	Robert B. Smith .. .. 7
Basil Jones .. .. 3	Alan McFall .. .. 8
Harold C. Lonyon .. .. 4	Frank Osbaldiston .. .. 9
Robert J. Warrilow .. 5	A. Peter Whitehead .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Kenneth Lewis.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss Mary Worth and John Kerby, who were married at Christ Church this day.

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

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F.

Neil Bennett .. .. Treble	Robert B. Smith .. .. 5
Derek F. Yates .. .. 2	Alan McFall .. .. 6
Robert J. Warrilow .. 3	Basil Jones .. .. 7
John Worth .. .. 4	Frank Osbaldiston .. .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. Worsley.

Conducted by Basil Jones.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Wed., Oct. 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 95 lb. in E.

Wendy E. Lee .. .. Treble	John A. Booth .. .. 5
*Joyce Grainger .. .. 2	Jeffrey Brannan .. .. 6
†Kenneth R. Davenport .. 3	Eric Roughley .. .. 7
†Geoffrey R. Gardner .. 4	John Robinson .. .. Tenor

Composed by John R. Prichard.

\* First peal 'inside.' † First peal.

WALLASEY, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Hilary.

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B. and Oxford T.B., and two extents each of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 17 lb.

*John V. P. Lochner .. Treble	Vivian T. O. Boase .. 4
Mrs. C. B. Pemberton .. 2	Charles B. Pemberton .. 5
Marjorie E. Webster .. 3	T. Roy Humphreys .. .. Tenor

Conducted by T. Roy Humphreys.

\* First peal attempt. First as conductor.

Rung as a farewell to Canon L. R. Healey on his retirement as Rector.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

BEDWORTH, Warwickshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Mon., Oct. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 18 lb. in G.

George P. Hammond .. Treble	*Ernest J. Gower .. .. 5
Ian C. Maycock .. .. 2	Edward Holdsworth .. 6
Maryl R. Crosshwaite .. 3	Geoffrey Pratt .. .. 7
Arthur R. Wright .. .. 4	David J. Allen .. .. Tenor

Composed by Charles J. Sedgley.

Conducted by David J. Allen.

\* First in the method.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Janet Taylor and N. Anthony Freeman, both ringers of this church, who were married earlier this day.

NAPTON-ON-THE-HILL, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Lawrence.

On Tues., Sept. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of Oxford T.B., and two each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B., and Plain Bob.

Christine J. Rothera .. Treble	F. Mark Robbottom .. 4
Pamela M. Turner .. .. 2	Roger E. Tallis .. .. 5
Peter S. Bennett .. .. 3	Ian C. Maycock .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Ian C. Maycock.

First peal on the bells since augmentation to six.

NAPTON-ON-THE-HILL, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Lawrence.

On Tues., Oct. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.

*James Harris .. .. Treble	Ian R. Stevens .. .. 4
Percy A. Oram .. .. 2	F. Mark Robbottam .. 5
Maurice C. Hughes .. .. 3	Ian C. Maycock .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Ian C. Maycock.

\* First peal.

ROWINGTON, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Lawrence.

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of Oxford T.B., and two each of Kent T.B., Cambridge Surprise, and Plain Bob.

A. Charles Morris .. Treble	David J. Allen .. .. 4
Geoffrey W. Randle .. 2	Ian C. Maycock .. .. 5
F. Mark Robbottam .. 3	Peter S. Bennett .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Ian C. Maycock.

Believed to be the first peal on the bells.

THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

DUFFIELD, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Alkmund.

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

No. 3 Version.

David W. Friend .. Treble	Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in E.
John F. Murfin .. .. 2	Gordon A. Halls .. .. 6
David J. Marshall .. .. 3	Peter Marriott .. .. 7
Denis A. Frith .. .. 4	Denis R. Carlisle .. .. 8
Edmund Shuttleworth .. 5	Harold Taylor .. .. 9
	Ian M. Holland .. .. Tenor

Arranged by Neil Bennett.

Conducted by David W. Friend.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

BOVEY TRACEY, Devon.—At the Church of SS. Peter, Paul and Thomas-of-Canterbury.

On Mon., Oct. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb. in F sharp.

H. George Hart .. Treble	Clive G. Bryant .. .. 5
Elsie K. Hart .. .. 2	Martin F. Lock .. .. 6
Frank D. Mack .. .. 3	D. Roy Bould .. .. 7
Margaret A. Bould .. 4	Norman Mallett .. .. Tenor

Composed by Frank C. W. Knight.

Conducted by Martin F. Lock.

First peal as conductor.

Rung as a 22nd birthday compliment to the conductor.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

WINWICK, Huntingdonshire.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Four callings.

Geoffrey Davis .. Treble	Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in G sharp.
Roy W. Spencer .. .. 2	Bernard Branstom .. 3
	Robert J. Yeomans .. 4

Harold S. Peacock .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Harold S. Peacock.

Rung as a welcome to the Rev. P. Sutton, recently inducted Vicar of Winwick, also for the christening of the baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Alderman, of Winwick.



## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

DUXFORD, Cambridgeshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Wed., Oct. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb.

Brian D. Threlfall .. .. Treble	Ian Munro .. .. 4
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 2	Ian G. Stracey .. .. 5
John G. Gipson .. .. 3	Michael E. Stracey .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Michael E. Stracey.

First of Minor as conductor.

Rung to mark the 15th anniversary of the rehanging of the bells (rededicated October 28th, 1949).

## HUNTINGDON.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Thurs., Oct. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Seven extents.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in G sharp.

*Marybelle Nissly .. .. Treble	Albert J. Davey .. .. 4
†Henry Levens .. .. 2	Jane K. A. Cook .. .. 5
Frank R. Nicholls .. .. 3	Harold S. Peacock .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Harold S. Peacock.

\* First peal attempt. † First 'inside.'

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

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 4 lb. in G.

Harold S. Peacock .. .. Treble	Donald F. Murfet .. .. 5
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 2	Geoffrey Pearson .. .. 6
Jane K. A. Cook .. .. 3	John G. Gipson .. .. 7
*Dennis E. Pepper .. .. 4	George E. Thoday .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by George E. Thoday.

\* First of Cambridge.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

BURGHILL, Herefordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lb.

Austin T. Wingate .. .. Treble	Richard J. Warrilow .. .. 5
J. Dennis Holden .. .. 2	Eric E. Speake .. .. 6
Roderick J. Lees .. .. 3	Harry Griffiths .. .. 7
*William A. Blake .. .. 4	Edmund Malin .. .. Tenor

Composed by William Barton.

Conducted by Eric E. Speake.

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

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

GREAT BERKHAMSTED, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb.

Augustine V. Good .. .. Treble	*D. Joseph Goodman .. .. 5
C. Valerie Mills .. .. 2	Peter W. Harper .. .. 6
Howard Collings .. .. 3	Edwin J. Upton .. .. 7
Walter Ayre .. .. 4	†Brian M. Barker .. .. Tenor

Composed by Arthur Knights.

Conducted by Walter Ayre.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. † First of Kent and 50th peal.

Rung as a welcome to Sally Joanne Collings.

KNEBWORTH, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of SS. Mary-the-Virgin and Thomas-a-Becket.

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 DATCHWORTH SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

J. Stuart Hutton .. .. Treble	Colin A. S. Harwood .. .. 5
Alick Cutler .. .. 2	G. William Critchley .. .. 6
J. Richard Castledine .. .. 3	Dennis Knox .. .. 7
John Hill .. .. 4	Jack S. Dear .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Dennis Knox.

The first peal in the method.

## NORTH MYMMS, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt.

Christina M. Foulkes .. Treble	*Roger D. R. Brown .. .. 5
*Julia A. Fellows .. .. 2	Eric Edmondson .. .. 6
Martyn L. J. Jordan .. .. 3	Gerald Penney .. .. 7
Michael D. Frost .. .. 4	Thomas J. Lock .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by Gerald Penney.

\* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Major.

A birthday compliment to the ringers of four and five.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ERITH, Kent.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Fri., Oct. 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. in G.

Harold J. Hazel .. .. Treble	Frederick J. Culham .. .. 5
Cyril S. Jarrett .. .. 2	Martin L. Howe .. .. 6
Thomas E. Sone .. .. 3	David S. Osenton .. .. 7
Herbert Audsley .. .. 4	Bernard F. L. Groves .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. Roberts.

Conducted by Martin L. Howe.

Rung as a 65th birthday compliment to the ringer of the treble.

THROWLEY, Kent.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 ULLESTHORPE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb. in F sharp.

Philip A. Corby .. .. Treble	Andrew J. Corby .. .. 5
Judith M. Corby .. .. 2	Edward J. Jenner .. .. 6
*Ann Jenner .. .. 3	Colin A. Tester .. .. 7
Olive D. Tester .. .. 4	*Stanley Jenner .. .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

Conducted by Stanley Jenner.

\* 100th peal together. First peal in the method by all the band and for the Association.

A wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Jenner.

ST. NICHOLAS-AT-WADE, Kent.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Seven different callings.

Tenor 21 cwt.

*Graham J. Richards .. Treble	Cyril W. J. Beeching .. .. 4
Graham G. Firman .. .. 2	David L. Cawley .. .. 5
Martin Ostler .. .. 3	Frank C. W. Knight .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Frank C. W. Knight.

\* First peal.

In memoriam Mr. John Unwin, for many years captain of the Canterbury Cathedral ringers.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

HEYWOOD, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Luke.

On Sun., Oct. 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 93 lb. in E flat.

Richard S. Starkie .. .. Treble	Neil Bennett .. .. 5
*Richard J. Parker .. .. 2	John Robinson .. .. 6
†Margaret E. Fort .. .. 3	Derek Butterworth .. .. 7
Dennis Latham .. .. 4	John H. Fielden .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. Ivin.

Conducted by Neil Bennett.

\* First peal of London Surprise Major. † First in the method.

Rung on St. Luke's Day.

HELMESHORE, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Thomas.

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 20 methods, being 384 each of Cambridge, Lindum, London, Pudsey, Superlative and Uxbridge, 256 Bristol, 192 each of Ashted, Cassiobury, Cornwall, Cray, Glasgow, Higher Walton, Ipswich, Jersey, Lincolnshire, Ospringe, Radcliffe, Rutland and Yorkshire, Tenor 10 cwt.

Ernest Bennett .. .. Treble	Cyril Crossthwaite .. .. 5
Jearl M. Pailing .. .. 2	Richard J. Parker .. .. 6
Philip J. Crossthwaite .. 3	Norman Smith .. .. 7
James H. Pailing .. .. 4	Walter E. Wilkinson .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Norman Smith.

Greatest number of methods to a peal of Spliced Surprise Major by all and for the Association.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

LEICESTER.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Martin.

On Mon., Oct. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 25 cwt. 20 lb.

Alan E. Hartley .. .. Treble	Brian S. Chapman .. .. 7
*Cyril S. Jarratt .. .. 2	†W. Arthur Riddington .. 8
†Monica M. Jelley .. .. 3	*Martin L. Howe .. .. 9
John M. Jelley .. .. 4	Herrick B. Bowley .. .. 10
Bernard F. L. Groves .. 5	Russell S. Morris .. .. 11
Shirley Burton .. .. 6	E. Alan Jacques .. .. Tenor

Conducted by John M. Jelley.

\* First peal of Maximus. † First of Maximus in the method.

† First of Surprise Maximus. Ringers of 2, 8 and 9 have completed Cambridge from Minor to Maximus.

Rung in memory of William H. Clarke, of St. John-the-Divine, Leicester.

ANSTEY, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Fri., Sept. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

A. Maxwell Lindsey .. Treble	David G. Wilford .. .. 5
Frederick Shallcross .. 2	William A. Lacey .. .. 6
Martin C. Faulkes .. .. 3	Leslie M. Melton .. .. 7
Roland H. Cook .. .. 4	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pitstow.

Conducted by Frederick Shallcross.

LEICESTER.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., Oct. 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8½ cwt. approx.

R. Kingsley Mason .. .. Treble	John M. Jelley .. .. 5
Dan S. Pont .. .. 2	William A. Lacey .. .. 6
Monica M. Jelley .. .. 3	Roland H. Cook .. .. 7
W. Ernest Rawson .. .. 4	Leslie N. Melton .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by John M. Jelley.

RADCLIFFE SURPRISE MAJOR: x 38 x 14 x 58 x 36. 14 x 12. 58.

36 x 36. 58. 2nd's place 142.

HIGHER WALTON: x 38 x 14 x 58 x 36 x 14 x 1238 x 14 x 78. 2nd's place 157.



### THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. HUGGLESCOTE, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Tues., Oct. 20, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

*Ronald D. Hughes .. .. Treble	Dan S. Pont .. .. 5
Brian G. Warwick .. .. 2	Richard J. Clifton .. .. 6
Arthur E. Rowley .. .. 3	Joseph W. Colton .. .. 7
Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. 4	Roland Beniston .. .. Tenor

Composed by Ernest W. Tipler (No. B.66).

Conducted by Brian G. Warwick.

\* First peal on eight.

Rung as a 90th birthday compliment to Mr. F. J. Wainwright, churchwarden for over 30 years. Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in F.

### THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 30 cwt. 2 qr. in D flat.

Norah M. Randles .. .. Treble	Peter A. Sharp .. .. 6
Anne E. Bateson .. .. 2	*George H. Randles .. .. 7
Joyce M. Gurnhill .. .. 3	†James W. Raithby .. .. 8
*Jack L. Millhouse .. .. 4	John Walden .. .. 9
Geoffrey Paul .. .. 5	Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. K. Lewis.

Conducted by Peter A. Sharp.

\* 200th peal together. † First of Royal.

### THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. NEWPORT, Monmouthshire.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Woolos.

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in D.

Ronald F. Diserens .. .. Treble	David J. Llewellyn .. .. 7
Tudor P. Edwards .. .. 2	*John Manley .. .. 8
*Elizabeth Brown .. .. 3	Nicholas W. H. Simon .. 9
Jacqueline S. King .. .. 4	David J. King .. .. 10
*Helen M. Diserens .. .. 5	Noel J. Diserens .. .. 11
Donald G. Clift .. .. 6	*Frank W. Lewis .. .. Tenor

Composed by John Carter.

Conducted by Ronald F. Diserens.

\* First peal of Cinques.

### ST. BRIDE'S MAJOR, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Bridget.

On Wed., Oct. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being one 240 and 40 six-scores. Tenor 11 cwt.	
Trevor J. Froley .. .. Treble	Harold Preece .. .. 4
D. R. Lynn Jones .. .. 2	William T. Petty .. .. 5
Thomas E. Hiddins .. .. 3	D. Walford Davies .. .. Tenor

Conducted by William T. Petty.

The tenor ringer has now 'circled the tower.'

Rung as a birthday compliment to Gareth, son of the tenor ringer.

### THE LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.

HALSALL, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Cuthbert.

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise and Kent T.B., and five of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb. in A flat.

Hazel A. Arrowsmith .. Treble	Malcolm A. Phillips .. 4
R. Frazer Mack .. .. 2	Richard S. Starkie .. .. 5
*Roger J. Shea .. .. 3	†David G. Wilford .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Richard S. Starkie.

\* First in three methods. † First peal of Minor. First of Minor as conductor.

### LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.

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

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 16 cwt. 24 lb. in E.

*Peter N. Felton .. .. Treble	Mrs. Olive L. Rogers .. 6
Patricia Rogers .. .. 2	John Ketteringham .. .. 7
*Rosemary Rich .. .. 3	William Birmingham .. 8
*Peter M. Fleckney .. .. 4	Christopher H. Rogers .. 9
Michael Hatchett .. .. 5	Harold W. Rogers .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. P. Ye.

Conducted by Harold W. Rogers.

\* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal.

Rung to commemorate the recent four years' incumbency of the Rev. F. J. Fellowes-Brown, the installation of a sound lantern and new tower roof, repainting of bell frame and replastering and decorating walls of bell and ringing chambers.

### NON-ASSOCIATION, LONDON.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 33 Minutes.

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, CORNHILL.

#### A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 42 cwt. in B.

Michael V. Chilcott .. .. Treble	Frank J. Matthews .. .. 7
Joan Beresford .. .. 2	Stewart P. W. Kimber .. 8
Antony R. Kench .. .. 3	Ralph G. Edwards .. .. 9
Dennis Beresford .. .. 4	Brian Harris .. .. 10
John Phillips .. .. 5	Philip A. F. Chalk .. .. 11
Thomas H. Francis .. .. 6	Frank C. Price .. .. Tenor

Composed by David E. Parsons.

Conducted by Michael V. Chilcott.

Rung by members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths and Ancient Society of College Youths as a compliment to Mr. W. R. Winterton, during his year of office as Master of the Worshipful Company of Drapers.

### THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

OXFORD.—At the Church of St. Ebbe.

On Tues., Oct. 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5056 ALDERNEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 4 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

Harry W. Badger .. .. Treble	Frederick W. Soden .. .. 5
Edward R. Venn .. .. 2	Christopher C. Clarke .. 6
Peter J. Heritage .. .. 3	Charles Coles .. .. 7
Brian W. Hall .. .. 4	Alan R. Pink .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. Hattersley.

Conducted by Alan R. Pink.

First peal in the method by all, and for the Guild.

Rung for the Feast of St. Frideswide, patron saint of Oxford.

### MAPLEDURHAM, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Margaret.

On Wed., Oct. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of Kent T.B. and Oxford T.B., two of Cambridge Surprise and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt.

*John N. Money .. .. Treble	T. Felicity Webber .. .. 4
Eunice A. Lewis .. .. 2	Frank W. Lewis .. .. 5
Patricia E. Buss .. .. 3	Brian J. Luff .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Brian J. Luff.

\* First peal of Minor.

### HINTON WALDRIST, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Margaret.

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Vernon Clifton .. .. Treble	Norman Leslie .. .. 4
*Bertram Miles .. .. 2	Dennis Leslie .. .. 5
†Jack H. Rooney .. .. 3	Peter Trinder .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Dennis Leslie.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.'

Tenor 6½ cwt.

### THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.

STANTON HARCOURT, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Thurs., Oct. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven different extents: (1) Kent and Oxford T.B., (2, 4 and 7) Plain Bob, (3) St. Clement's, (5 and 6) Cambridge. Tenor 11 cwt.

G. Robert Mordaunt .. Treble	Roger M. Heyworth .. .. 4
Richard Wharton .. .. 2	M. Roger Ashmore .. .. 5
Anthony P. Foster .. .. 3	John W. Thorp .. .. Tenor

Conducted by John W. Thorp.

First peal as conductor.

### THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

FINEDON, Northants.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in D.

Bryan S. Cope .. .. Treble	Alan C. Cozens .. .. 5
David Taylor .. .. 2	Stanley Ruddlesden .. .. 6
Arthur Gibbs .. .. 3	Michael J. Staley .. .. 7
Shirley Ruddlesden .. .. 4	Barrie Hendry .. .. Tenor

Composed by Nolan Golden.

Conducted by Barrie Hendry.

### HAZELBEECH, Northants.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

#### A PEAL OF 5088 ASHTEAD SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 12 lb. in F sharp.

William J. Chester .. .. Treble	Barry E. Saunders .. .. 5
Roger W. Smith .. .. 2	Alan A. Paul .. .. 6
James Linnell .. .. 3	Graham C. Paul .. .. 7
Charles E. Truman .. .. 4	George E. Green .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. Tipler (D.9).

Conducted by Graham C. Paul.

First peal in the method by all the band and on the bells.

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**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
HARRINGWORTH, Northants.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.  
*On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being six extents each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Southrepps Pleasure, Clifford's Pleasure, Plain Bob, Kennington, April Day and Grandsire. Tenor 11 cwt. 24 lb.

*Harry Hackett .. .. . Treble	Ronald Russell .. .. . 4
Frederick A. Ginns .. .. . 2	George F. Roome .. .. . 5
†James W. P. Lyons .. .. . 3	Richard A. Webster .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by George F. Roome.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.'

**GREETHAM, Rutland.**—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

*On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Single Oxford, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 10½ cwt.

Mrs. Brian G. Warwick Treble	Keith R. Davey .. .. . 4
Brian G. Warwick .. .. . 2	Gerald W. Reynolds .. .. . 5
*Derek J. Jones .. .. . 3	J. Martin Thorley .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.

\* 50th peal. The conductor's 100th peal of Minor in seven or more methods, and 50th in seven methods as conductor.

**HELMDON, Northants.**—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

*On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven extents in 28 methods, viz.: (1) Rossendale, Stamford, Annable's, London, Lightfoot, Wearmouth and Netherseale, (2) Northumberland, Carlisle and Sandiacre, (3) Chester, Newcastle, Alnwick and Munden, (4) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull, Primrose and Bourne, (5) Surfleet, Hexham, Durham, York, Berwick and Beverley, (6) London, Wells and Cuneastre, (7) Surfleet, Cambridge, Hexham, Berwick, Primrose and Beverley, with 119 changes of method. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in G.

William J. Chester .. .. . Treble	Alan A. Paul .. .. . 4
Graham C. Paul .. .. . 2	Charles E. Truman .. .. . 5
Roger W. Smith .. .. . 3	James Linnell .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by Charles E. Truman.

First of 28 Spliced Surprise for all the band.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.**

WILLENHALL, Staffs.—At the Church of St. Giles.

*On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 16 cwt. 29 lb. in F sharp.

Susan Funnell .. .. . Treble	George S. Deas .. .. . 6
M. Elaine Murcott .. .. . 2	J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. . 7
Diana M. Frost .. .. . 3	Eric N. Harrison .. .. . 8
Alan J. Frost .. .. . 4	John A. Anderson .. .. . 9
Norman J. Goodman .. .. . 5	George E. Fearn .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

**THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**

LYNEHAM, Wiltshire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

*On Sun., Sept. 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being seven methods, six extents of each, viz.:—Plain Bob, Southrepps, Rev. Canterbury, Kennington, Grandsire, Rev. St. Bartholomew and April Day. Tenor 14 cwt. in G.

*John Sankey .. .. . Treble	K. Barry Osborne .. .. . 4
Pamela A. Osborne .. .. . 2	George Pluckrose .. .. . 5
Derrick Bailey .. .. . 3	Dennis A. Powney .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by George Pluckrose.

\* First peal of Doubles and on less than eight bells. First peal in seven Doubles methods by all.

Rung to commemorate the 24th anniversary of the Battle of Britain.

**THE SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.**

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At The Bell Foundry Campanile.

*On Mon., Oct. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 6 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

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

Peter Humphrey .. .. . Treble	Simon Humphrey .. .. . 5
Raymond Benfield .. .. . 2	Michael Poppleston .. .. . 6
Susanna Poppleston .. .. . 3	George A. Dawson .. .. . 7
Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. .. . 4	G. Ronald Edwards .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by Raymond Benfield.

**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At The Bell Foundry, Campanile.

*On Mon., Oct. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

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

Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. Treble	G. Ronald Edwards .. .. . 5
Raymond Benfield .. .. . 2	Susanna Poppleston .. .. . 6
*Elizabeth Foster .. .. . 3	Michael Poppleston .. .. . 7
Simon Humphrey .. .. . 4	Peter Humphrey .. .. . Tenor

Composed by J. E. Burton. Conducted by Rev. M. C. C. Melville.

\* First peal.

**SOUTHWELL, Notts.**—At the Cathedral Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.  
*On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Heywood's Variation.	Tenor 10 cwt. 11 lb. in G.
George E. Foster .. .. . Treble	Colin W. Reed .. .. . 5
Katharine Burchnall .. .. . 2	*John R. Pratchett .. .. . 6
Grace Burchnall .. .. . 3	William L. Exton .. .. . 7
Beryl N. Reed .. .. . 4	*Bryan R. White .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by William L. Exton.

\* First peal in method. First of Stedman on bells.

**WILLOUGHBY ON THE WOLDS, Nottinghamshire.**—At the Church of All Saints.

*On Wed., Oct. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In 11 methods, being four extents each of All Saints, Rushall, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Northrepps, Reverse Canterbury, Little Aston, Clifford's Pleasure, Kennington, April Day, Seighford, and two extents Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt. 1 lb.

*Robert D. Marsh .. .. . Treble	Ruth Blackshaw .. .. . 3
*S. Jane Dowse .. .. . 2	C. Raymond Larkin .. .. . 4

Maurice W. Harrison .. Tenor

Conducted by Ruth Blackshaw.

\* First peal in 11 methods.

An 80th birthday compliment to Mr. J. W. Ward (October 19th).

**GAMSTON, Notts.**—At the Church of St. Peter.

*On Thurs., Oct. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR**

One extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Killamarsh, Sandal, London Scholars' Pleasure, Kingston, Oxford and Kent. Tenor 8 cwt. 19 qr. 18 lb. in A.

*W. Allan Wilson .. .. . Treble	George Challans .. .. . 4
Katherine Burchnall .. .. . 2	A. Harry Hawcroft .. .. . 5
Grace Burchnall .. .. . 3	†Harold Denman .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by Harold Denman.

\* First peal in seven methods. † First in seven as conductor.

Rung on the occasion of the gift of a new organ to this church by the Ashforth family.

**GEDDINGTON, Northampton.**—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

*On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 REVERSE CANTERBURY PLEASURE DOUBLES**

Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. 17 lb.

S. Jane Dowse .. .. . Treble	Ruth Blackshaw .. .. . 3
Margaret E. Chilton .. .. . 2	*C. Raymond Larkin .. .. . 4

Maurice W. Harrison .. Tenor

Conducted by Maurice W. Harrison.

\* 25th peal.

A wedding day compliment to John O'Brien and Rachael Masterton (cousin of the conductor), married this day.

**THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**  
LICHFIELD, Staffs.—At the Cathedral Church of the Blessed-Virgin Mary and St. Chad.

*On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

Tenor 31 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb. in D.

Lucy Smith .. .. . Treble	Maurice G. Ingram .. .. . 6
Marlene E. Townsend .. .. . 2	P. George Golder .. .. . 7
*D. Kay Moore .. .. . 3	Philip G. K. Davies .. .. . 8
†Cyril T. Collins .. .. . 4	Jeffrey B. Webb .. .. . 9
†Clifford W. Bowen .. .. . 5	Clive M. Smith .. .. . Tenor

Composed by H. J. Tucker. Conducted by Clive M. Smith.

\* First peal of Royal. † First peal on ten bells.

**GREAT BARR, Staffordshire.**—At the Church of St. Margaret.

*On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

Walter G. Lane .. .. . Treble	†Robert Farmer .. .. . 4
*Denise J. Hargreaves .. .. . 2	*David J. Large .. .. . 5
D. Keith Lane .. .. . 3	Gordon H. Lane .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by Gordon H. Lane.

\* First peal † First of Minor.

Rung to celebrate the birth of a son to Pat and Keith Lane; also for the consecration this day of the new Church of St. Chad, Pheasey, by the Bishop of Lichfield.

**THE SUFFOLK GUILD.**

WENHASTON, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Peter.

*On Sat., Oct. 17th, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being two extents each of Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. 6 lb. in F sharp.

A. William Bird .. .. . Treble	Peter Kindred .. .. . 4
*Thomas Brock .. .. . 2	†Stephen High .. .. . 5
William B. Duncan .. .. . 3	J. Barry Pickup .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by J. Barry Pickup.

\* 25th peal † First in three methods.



**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
**CUCKFIELD, Sussex.**—At the Church of The Holy Trinity.  
*On Fri., July 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. in F.	
Leonard Stilwell .. .. Treble	Stanley G. Ponting .. .. 5
Patricia Diserens .. .. 2	Brian J. Luff .. .. 6
William T. Beeson .. .. 3	Ronald F. Diserens .. .. 7
Reginald V. Johnson .. .. 4	W. Leslie Weller .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pitstow.

Conducted by Ronald F. Diserens.

**GODSTONE, Surrey.**—At the Church of St. Nicholas.  
*On Sat., Sept. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 4 lb. in G.	
Patricia Diserens .. .. Treble	Henry C. Weaver .. .. 5
Patricia Buss .. .. 2	Brian J. Luff .. .. 6
Janet H. Buss .. .. 3	John Manley .. .. 7
William T. Beeson .. .. 4	Ronald F. Diserens .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleston.

Conducted by Ronald F. Diserens.

**WARNHAM, Sussex.**—At the Church of St. Margaret.  
*On Wed., Oct. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14½ cwt.	
Harold F. Wood .. .. Treble	Ronald F. Diserens .. .. 5
William T. Beeson .. .. 2	*David D. Smith .. .. 6
Patricia Diserens .. .. 3	A. Patrick Cannon .. .. 7
Edgar R. Rapley .. .. 4	George Francis .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. Tipier (B.40).

Conducted by George Francis.

\* First peal of Surprise.

**WITHYHAM, Sussex.**—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.  
*On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 3 Hours.*  
**A PEAL OF 5088 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. 9 lb. in F.	
Leonard Stilwell .. .. Treble	Henry C. Weaver .. .. 5
*Raymond J. Talbot .. .. 2	Frank I. Hairs .. .. 6
Edgar R. Rapley .. .. 3	George Francis .. .. 7
Robert Wake .. .. 4	Raymond P. Wood .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pitstow

Conducted by Edgar R. Rapley.

\* First peal in method.

The band extends every good wish to Mrs. E. L. Hairs on her birthday.

**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**  
**DUDLEY, Worcestershire.**—At the Church of St. Thomas.  
*On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Tenor 20 cwt. 2 qr. 5 lb.	
Tudor P. Edwards .. .. Treble	*Malcolm A. Phillips .. .. 6
Richard S. Starkie .. .. 2	Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 7
Ian C. Maycock .. .. 3	Jeffrey J. Fox .. .. 8
Christopher K. Cooper .. .. 4	John H. Fielden .. .. 9
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. .. 5	David J. Allen .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. M. Tyler.

Conducted by Tudor P. Edwards.

\* First peal on ten bells.

A 21st birthday compliment to Malcolm A. Phillips.

**CLENT, Worcestershire.**—At the Church of St. Leonard.  
*On Sun., Oct. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 11 cwt. 18 lb.	
Malcolm A. Phillips .. Treble	Kenneth J. Hesketh .. 5
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. 2	†Christopher K. Cooper .. 6
*John H. Fielden .. .. 3	*Richard S. Starkie .. .. 7
†Jeffrey J. Fox .. .. 4	Tudor P. Edwards .. .. Tenor

Composed by Norman Smith.

Conducted by John H. Fielden.

\* 25th peal together. † First in the method.

**HALESOWEN, Worcestershire.**—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.  
*On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb.	
Tudor P. Edwards .. Treble	*Christopher K. Cooper .. 5
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. 2	*Jeffrey J. Fox .. .. 6
Richard S. Starkie .. .. 3	Ian C. Maycock .. .. 7
*†Malcolm A. Phillips .. 4	John H. Fielden .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. Barton.

Conducted by Ian C. Maycock.

\* First peal in the method. † 25th peal.

**CHURCH LENCH, Worcestershire.**—At the Church of All Saints.  
*On Sun., Oct. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 12 lb. in G.	
Anthony P. White .. Treble	Arthur C. Berry .. .. 4
James Attwood, jun. .. 2	C. Barrie Dove .. .. 5
John Weaver .. .. 3	Paul Cattermole .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Paul Cattermole.

First peal on the bells since 1912.

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
**CALVERLEY, Yorkshire.**—At the Church of St. Wilfrid.  
*On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb. in G.	
Peter M. Dawson .. Treble	Douglas Thorp .. .. 5
Olivia A. Marshall .. 2	Percy Wheatley .. .. 6
A. Barry Sullivan .. 3	S. Barry Schofield .. .. 7
Roger Waddington .. 4	Roger J. Lumley .. .. Tenor

Composed by Amburn Wilson.

Conducted by Roger J. Lumley.

A diamond wedding compliment to Mr. Hall, vergers at this church, and Mrs. Hall.

**PENISTONE, Yorkshire.**—At St. John's Church.  
*On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 14½ cwt. in F.	
Sheila A. Chinnery .. Treble	Arthur Dunn-Birch .. .. 5
*Elizabeth Peace .. .. 2	*Christopher Moxon .. .. 6
Sandra Crossley .. .. 3	Noel F. Moxon .. .. 7
Harold Chant .. .. 4	Trevor Tarbatt .. .. Tenor

Adapted (from J. Reeves) and Conducted by Harold Chant.

\* First peal of Plain Bob Major.

**CHAPEL ALLERTON, Yorkshire.**—At St. Matthew's Church.  
*On Thurs., Oct. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Tenor 7 cwt.	
One extent each of Double Oxford, Double Court, St. Clement's, Cambridge, Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent.	
Adrian C. Boorman .. Treble	Leonard Goodall .. .. 4
Olivia Marshall .. .. 2	Peter Dawson .. .. 5
Roger J. Lumley .. .. 3	H. David Holland .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Leonard Goodall.

Rung in honour of the wedding between the Revd. Michael J. B. Nuttall and Miss Valerie D. Rignall.

**BIRSTALL, Yorkshire.**—At the Church of St. Peter.  
*On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 22 cwt.	
Allen Twyman .. Treble	*Alan Sheppard .. .. 5
Iris M. E. Lemare .. 2	S. Barry Schofield .. .. 6
Frances Fairbank .. 3	*Kenneth Brian Sissons .. 7
A. Barry Sullivan .. 4	J. Henry Fielden .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pitstow.

Conducted by J. H. Fielden.

\* First peal of London.

Rung on the vigil of St. Crispin.

**HUNTINGDON, Yorks.**—At the Church of All Saints.  
*On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in eight methods—(1) Cambridge, (2) Oxford T.B., (3) Kent T.B., (4) Double Bob and Single Oxford, (5) Double Oxford, (6) St. Clement's, (7) Plain Bob.	
Tenor 5 cwt. 17 lb.	
David Sheppard .. Treble	John Potts .. .. 4
J. Martin Thorley .. 2	Kenneth B. Sissons .. .. 5
G. Frederick Terry .. 3	Alan Sheppard .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.

**HANDBELL PEAL**

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**HARROW, Middlesex.**—At 170, Headstone Lane.

<i>On Fri., Oct. 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes.</i> <b>A PEAL OF 5056 EASTCOTE SURPRISE MAJOR</b>	
Tenor size 15 in C.	
S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. 1—2	John R. Mayne .. .. 5—6
Christopher W. Woolley .. 3—4	Roger Baldwin .. .. 7—8

Composed and Conducted by John R. Mayne.

The first peal in the method on handbells.

**SPOTS BEFORE THE EYES**—(from front page)

the previous band, who pushed the bells along at about 34 or 35 a minute, this lot get them up high and stay there; Mr. Drake and I agree that it will take good men to strike them at that pitch, a bare 32, but these are good men, and they ring a good peal for 31½ faults.

There's time for a peal before service, so with our notebooks firmly in our pockets and our lips (so far as the results are concerned) sealed Mr. Drake and I make our way to the church and sample the very pretty six for ourselves. And then, the service over, and the cup, shield and certificates ready on the table, we announce our verdict. 'First, peal number 6,' calls Mr. Drake, and Mr. Poole, the secretary, replies, 'West Down.' Nobody's surprised to find that No. 8 is Down St. Mary, and the rest follow: 3rd, Swymbridge; 4th, High Bickington; 5th, and winners of the shield for the Guild towers, Torrington—Tommy will be pleased about that. 6th, Tawstock; 7th, Littleham—good for them, for their bells were silent till two years ago; 8th, Monkleigh, and 9th, Dolton.

Nobody seems to want to assassinate us, so we can't have done too badly; we've got spots before the eyes—heaven knows, we've made getting on for 2,000 of them in our books this afternoon—and I find my ears literally aching with listening so carefully for four hours; but what better could you listen to, and how better can you learn what makes or mars good striking than by listening to Devon men making it, and sometimes marring it, and setting down those rows of dots?

J. G. M. S.



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### BIRTHS

COX.—On October 4th, 1964, to Doreen and Anthony Cox, a son, Stephen Anthony. 5654  
GOTHAM.—On Wednesday, October 14th, 1964, at 1, Norfolk Court, Norfolk Road, Maidenhead, to Susan and Russell, the gift of a daughter, Alicea Fidelia, a sister for Justina and Dunstan. 5673

### ENGAGEMENTS

CHATFIELD—BAILEY.—The engagement is announced between Janet M. Bailey, elder daughter of Mrs. D. L. Hall and stepdaughter of Mr. D. L. Hall, of 62, Folders Lane, Burgess Hill, and Norman, second son of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Chatfield, of Valley Close, Withean, Brighton. 5686

JOHNSON—CHADDOCK.—Mr. and Mrs. N. Chaddock, of 17, Herringthorpe Grove, Rotherham, have pleasure in announcing the engagement of their only daughter, Susan, to Fredric Neil, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Johnson, of Sandbach, Cheshire. 5662

### RETURN THANKS

Mrs. D. Dunk, of Stockbury Valley, wishes to thank all her friends and ringers, for their kind messages of sympathy, in the sad loss of her dear husband, Albert. So many were sent that it is impossible to answer all individually. 5671

### PERSONAL

'Take no heed unto all words that are spoken; lest thou hear thy servant curse thee.' (Ecclesiastes vii, 21.)

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Surprise Royal practice on Tuesday, November 17th, at St. Nicolas' Church, Guildford, from 7.45 to 9 o'clock. Methods: Cambridge, Yorkshire and London. All welcome.—D. A. R. May. 5663

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Bishop's Stortford District.—Saturday practices in November; all commencing at 7.30 p.m.: 7th, Bishop's Stortford; 14th, Brent Pelham; 28th, Braughing. Members of the Eastern District especially invited.—D. Kingston. 5679

SOUTHAMPTON UNIVERSITY GUILD.—Dinner, Saturday, November 28th, Mayflower Room, Royal Pier, Southampton, 7.30 for 8 p.m. Tickets 18s.; these and information from Miss R. Kemp, 49, Belmont Road, Portswood, Southampton. 5658

UNIVERSITIES ASSOCIATION.—Advance Notice.—The annual dinner will be held in Bristol on Saturday, January 2nd, 1965. Usual circular will be sent.—D. Exell, Hon. Sec., 121, Stockwood Lane, Bristol 4. 5656

### MEETINGS

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Warwick Archdeaconry District.—Meeting on November 7th, Priors Marston 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Southam 6.45-7.30 p.m. No tea arranged, there are facilities available in Southam.—P. S. Bennett, Dis. Sec. 5687

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Meeting at March (6), Saturday, November 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Business meeting and ringing after tea. Special methods: Netherseale and Rev. Canterbury. 5602

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.W. District.—A meeting will be held at Newport (6) on Saturday, November 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names to G. Blake, Hamlet House, Roydon Hamlet, Harlow, Essex. 5631

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern and Northern Districts.—Joint meeting at Little Munden, November 7th. 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names to E. Buck, 13, The Rise, Baldock. 5612

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leicester District.—Meeting, November 7th. St. John's Leicester. Bells 3 p.m. Meeting 4 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30 p.m. in school room. Names for tea to A. J. Poyner, 13, Marsden Lane, Aylestone, Leicester.—Dis. Sec. 5645

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Elloe Deaneries Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Ricker, November 7th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. W. B. Dawson, 'Greenacres', Gauntlett Road, Ricker, Boston, Lincs.—K. R. Davey, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5652

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—Monthly practice, Saturday, November 7th, Weston Underwood (6), 6 p.m. 5666

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD and SHEFFIELD & DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Joint meeting at Workson Priory, Saturday, November 7th. Ringing from 2.30 n.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Meeting 5.30. Bells again 6 p.m. onwards. Names for tea to Mr. H. Smart, 19, Park Street, Workson. No name no tea!—P. Denman and J. Seager, Secs. 5639

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—Quarterly meeting on Saturday, November 7th, Coleman's Hatch. Method: Kent Treble Bob. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. E. L. Hair, Hon. Sec., Norman Cottage, Park Corner, Groombridge, Sussex. Phone Groombridge 438. 5623

BARNSELY DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Ielkirk, near Barnsley, Saturday, November 14th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Tea. Please notify Mr. Harold Chant, The Rowans, School Lane, Ryhill, Wakefield, not later than November 10th.—J. W. Buxton. 5674

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BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Monthly meeting, Pocklington, Saturday, November 14th. Bells (8) from 2 to 8 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday to Mr. C. Bairstow, 9, Victoria Road, Pocklington. 5661

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Chesterfield District.—Monthly ringing meeting at Old Whittington (6) on November 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, without fail, please, to Mr. J. Newman, 54, Brearley Avenue, New Whittington, Chesterfield. (Phone Chesterfield 5416.)—Malcolm Phipps, Sec. 5677

DEVON GUILD.—N.W. Branch.—Annual meeting at Clawton, Saturday, November 14th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow.—R. Pearce, Branch Sec. 5633

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—West Hartlepool (Stranton), Saturday, November 14th. 3 p.m. Names for tea not later than November 11th to Mr. W. Maughan, 57, Belmont Gardens, West Hartlepool. 5673

EAST GRINSTEAD & DISTRICT GUILD.—Meeting on Saturday, November 14th, at Bolney. Bells 2-5.30 p.m. Tea 5.30. Cuckfield 6.30-9 p.m. Names for tea to Miss M. A. Ladd, 4, William Street, Tunbridge Wells, Kent, by November 12th, please. 5634

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cambridge District.—Meeting, Saturday, November 14th. Little Shelford bells (6) 3-5 p.m. Service at Little Shelford 5 p.m. Tea 5.45 p.m. Stapleford, Further ringing at Stapleford (6) 7 p.m.—B. D. Threlfall, Dis. Sec. 5672

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Meeting at Finchingfield, Saturday, November 14th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. F. Roper, Crest Lodge, Spains Hall, Finchingfield. 5635

ESSEX ASSOCIATION (S.W. District) and MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION (N. and E. District).—Joint meeting at Walthamstow St. Mary's on November 14th. Bells (10) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. St. Saviour's (8) available from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to D. Hewitt, 13, Malta Road, Leyton, E.10. 5640

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Nomination meeting at Aldershot (8) on November 14th at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Miss N. Bragg, 20, Church Hill, Aldershot, Hants.—D. P. Elsmore. 5617

HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bridgnorth District.—Quarterly meeting, Chetton, Saturday, November 14th. Ringing 3.15 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday, please, to Miss V. Edge, 10, The Crescent, Much Wenlock. 5678

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—A social will be held on Saturday, November 14th, at St. Dunstan's Parish Hall, Canterbury. Tickets 2s. 6d. Commencing at 4 p.m. Those wishing to come, will they please send cash to the District Secretary by Wednesday, November 11th.—T. C. Phillimore, 47, St. Peter's Grove, Canterbury, All County and District members and friends welcome. 5648

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—Meeting at Snodland, Saturday, November 14th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. service 4.15 p.m. Name for tea please to Mr. P. Carter, The Ringers, West Malling, Kent.—M. L. Howe, Dis. Sec. 5657



**LADIES' GUILD.**—Kent Branch.—Practice meeting at Tunstall, November 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. All ringers welcome. Names for tea please, by Wednesday, November 11th, to Mr. T. Barton, 100, Park Drive, Sittingbourne, Kent. 5644

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION** — Furness and Lake District Branch.—Meeting at Millom on Nov. 14th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. R. J. Gray, The Riddin. Hill of Millom, Millom, Cumb.—T. F. Metcalfe Branch Sec. 5651

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION** — Preston Branch.—Meeting at Tarleton, Saturday, Nov. 14th. Names for tea by Wednesday, 11th, to Mr. E. Ashcroft, Woodside, Parris Lane, Aughton, Ormskirk. Bus services 100, 101, X27, 298.—L. Walmsley. 5672

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Rochdale Branch.—Meeting at St. Thomas', Moorside, Oldham, on Saturday, November 14th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Cups of tea 5 p.m. Learners and visitors especially welcome.—J. P. Partington. 5660

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Annual dinner and social, Shakespeare Hotel, Braunstone, Leicester, November 14th, 6 for 6.30 p.m. Chief speaker: Mr. John Freeman, of Lincoln (Vice-President of Central Council). Tickets (price 17s. 6d.) from the undersigned by November 7th at latest, cash with order.—B. G. Warwick, Hon. Gen. Sec., 12, Dorothy Avenue, Glen Hills, Leicester. 5598

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Central Branch.—Meeting, Welton and Dunholme, Saturday, November 14th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., Welton. Names for tea by the Wednesday previous to Mr. A. Dixon, Welton, Lincoln.—S. A. Chambers, Hon. Sec. 5627

**LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.**—Llandaff Branch.—Quarterly meeting to be held at Porthkerry on Saturday, November 14th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and business to follow. Transport will be available from a main road. Names for tea by November 9th to W. J. Goodfellow, 33, Brook Road, Fairwater, Cardiff Glam. 5629

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Branch.—Practice meeting, Forncett St. Peter, Saturday, November 14th. Bells (5) 6.30 to 9 p.m.—C.F.W.P. Branch Sec. 5668

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Practice at Hughenden, Saturday, November 14th. Ringing 3.30 p.m., tea 5 p.m. Names by Tuesday, 10th please. You are also invited to our 3rd annual dinner and dance at the Thames Hotel, Windsor, on Saturday, November 28th. Tickets £1 1s. Miss Hague, 6, Stompits Road, Holyport, Maidenhead. 5649

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Reading Branch.—Autumn meeting will be held at Tilehurst on Saturday, November 14th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Numbers for tea by Wednesday, November 11th, to Mr. W. Marsh, 43, Blundell's Lane, Tilehurst, Reading. 5681

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD** — South Oxon Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Thame, Saturday, November 14th. Bells 3 p.m., service 4 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday 11th, to R. Arnott, 103, High Street, Thame, Oxon. 5619

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wimborne Branch.—Meeting, Witchampton, Saturday, November 14th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Possibly Long Crichel 6.30-8 p.m., otherwise Witchampton. Names for tea by Wednesday, 11th, to Mrs. Robertson, Creech Cottage, Tarrant Keynton, Blandford, Dorset. 5619

**SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Special Notice.—Practice meeting at Market Drayton on November 14th. Bells available 6 p.m. (not 3 p.m.) till 8.30 p.m.—E. Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec. 5688

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bingham District.—Meeting, Whetton, November 14th. Bells 3 p.m., service 4.30, tea 5. Names for tea by Wednesday previous, to: W. L. Exton, St. Ouen's, Whetton.—R. Blackshaw, Dis. Sec. 5655

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—Quarterly meeting at Lyminster (6) on Saturday, November 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Please notify for tea, R. Wake, 28, Keynor Estate, Sidlesham, Chichester. 5682

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—North West District.—Practice meeting at Great Barton (6) Saturday, November 14th. Bells 6.30 p.m. to 9 p.m.—A. F. Ballam, Dis. Sec. 5679

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Sunday, November 15th, 1964

Bells 5.30 p.m. Service 6.30 p.m.

All ringers and friends invited to refreshments after service. Approx. numbers please, by Wednesday, Nov. 11th, to: Miss L. Taylor, Highfield, Danehill, near, Haywards Heath, Sussex. 5667

**DORCHESTER, DORSET** — St. Peter's Society of Change Ringers—Ringers' Sunday, November 15th. Holy Communion 8 a.m., Morning Prayer 11 a.m. Ringing 7.30 a.m. and 10.15 a.m. Dedication of new peal board following Morning Prayer. Tower open to visiting ringers and public 2.30-5 p.m. All ringers most welcome. 5665

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chertsey District.—Nomination meeting at Chobham on Saturday, November 21st. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m., tea in the Church Hall at 5 p.m. approx. Names for tea by previous Wednesday please, to: Mrs. K. Collins, The Mount Cottage, Mimbridge, Chobham, Woking. 5671

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—Meeting at High Halden, Saturday, November 21st. Bells (6), 3 p.m. service, 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. J. Burden, 23, The Chennels, High Halden, near Tenterden, by previous Thursday.—C. T. H. 5674

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—West Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Willingham, Saturday, November 21st. Bells afternoon and evening. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea for those who notify me by previous Tuesday.—G. L. A. Lunn, Crow Garth, Lea, Gainsborough. Tel. 2623. 5676

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Gaywood on Saturday, November 21st. (Please note alteration of date.) Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.30, tea at 5. Names for tea to C. Tovell, 18, New Road, Gaywood, King's Lynn. 5680

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Newark District.—Meeting Saturday, November 21st, Winthorpe. Bells 3 p.m., Service 4.30. Names for tea must be sent by previous Monday, please to me—Mrs. B. N. Reed, 43, Dale Crescent, Balderton, Newark. 5670

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—N.E. District.—Quarterly meeting at Saxmundham (6), 2.30-4.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. tea 5 p.m. Benhall (6) 6-9 p.m. on Saturday, November 21st. Names for tea by Wednesday, November 18th, to: Miss M. Branch, 125, Corton Road, Lowestoft. 5607

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting Handsworth, November 21st. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea in the Parish Centre 5 p.m. Names must be sent to me by 19th. All welcome.—J. J. L. Gilbert, 10, Pye Bank Close, Sheffield 3. 5676

**FYFIELD, ESSEX.**—Rededication of bells, Sunday, November 29th. Service 3 p.m. Ringing until 9 p.m. For tea, please notify J. Godfrey, Cannons Green, Fyfield, Ongar. 5664

**REIGATE, SURREY.**—On Oct. 17th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: G. Knipe 1, A. T. Shelton 2, K. G. Game 3, A. J. Bull 4, G. Charlton 5, W. H. Inwood 6, G. Olliver (cond.) 7, Joan Hanning 8. For Old Choir Boys' Reunion service.

**RUARDEAN, GLOS.**—On Oct. 8th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: L. Smith 1, C. Berry 2, K. Tyler 3, W. D. Wilson 4, R. Chiew (cond.) 5, H. Meek 6. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

**ST. JULIOT, CORNWALL.**—On Oct. 10th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: S. T. Stacey 1, A. E. Bissat 2, C. Sangwin 3, D. Pearce 4, F. Sangwin (cond.) 5, G. Halford 6. A wedding compliment to Miss E. Prout and Mr. M. P. Hancock.

The farewell quarter peal to George M. Pickwell by the St. James', Silsoe, ringers, came to grief in the morning of October 25th. Unbeknown to George, who had then left for Leicester, a quarter was scored in the evening.

## TAYSOM TRAVELLERS IN DEVON

ON October 23rd the 'Travellers' assembled for their annual week-end in Devon. The party consisted of Rita and Bill Lampard, Diane and Ken Weeks, Elizabeth Webb, Derek Smith, Brian Metcalf (Warmley), Barbara Dench (Corston), David Burl, David Barnett Terry Milsom, Jean and Alan Lee (Twerton) and Henry Taysom (Frampton Cotterell), who, as usual, drove the mini-bus. Lustleigh, the headquarters, was reached at a late hour after driving through heavy rain.

The weather, however, proved to be very good and on Saturday morning we were pleased to have Aubrey Bennett, Margaret and Roy Bould (Tavistock) with us for the day.

Drewsteignton, the first tower, had a rather heavy six (tenor 17 cwt.) rung from the ground floor. The long ropes made handling a trifle difficult and the tenor must have been rung by a giant judging by the height of the sally. On to Chertiton Bishop, where we were met by the Rev. G. Lewis, who said prayers before we sampled the six bells. This ring was rehung locally and are really worth ringing.

Teddburn St. Mary stands some way from the village. The bells are very good but the second casts wheel frequently and needs strong handling. At Whitstone both the Rector (the Rev. B. Brown) and tower captain (Mr. R. V. Netherway) met us and after prayers we had a good pull on the 12 cwt. six. Although this is now a call change tower, a peal of Grandsire was rung here in 1890 by a local band.

Rewe (6 bells) was first on the list after lunch. The bells are a very pleasant ground-floor ring restored by Gillett and Johnston. We were sorry to hear that these and Stoke Cannon's 6 (our next tower) were not often rung. On to Pinhoe, where we really enjoyed the lovely six.

The first octave of the day was the ground-floor ring at Exminster (tenor 18 cwt.). The Rev. D. J. Taylor welcomed us and informed us that the ropes were not in good condition, but they lasted our ring. After tea we had one more tower, that of Chudleigh, a lovely 13 cwt. octave that taps along at a merry speed. The day had been an extremely pleasant one and ended with a good meal kindly arranged by Mr. Bennett: afterwards we had the pleasure of playing Roy's handbells to both tute and method ringing.

Methods rung during the day: Grandsire, Plain Bob, Stedman and 4-spiced Doubles, Plain Bob, Double Oxford, Kent, Oxford Treble Bob, Cambridge, Beverley and London Minor, Grandsire, Plain Bob and Stedman Triples, Bob and Grandsire Major and call changes. On Sunday morning we had the pleasure of ringing at Lustleigh: since our last visit the bells have had new bearings and clappers and are very good except that the second still tends to drop. On our way home we were pleased to join the ringers at Bishops Hull for evening ringing.

Our week-end over for another year: 300 miles covered, good bells, good company, and our thanks must go to Mr. and Mrs. Palmer and Miss Gay for looking after us so well, to Mr. Bennett for his arrangements and to Henry Taysom, who drove the mini-bus through some very difficult country roads.

A. F. L.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

About 40 ringers assembled for ringing at the Chertsey District meeting held at Weybridge on October 24th. One or two scored their first of Double Norwich and others of Kent Major. The Rector conducted the service and gave the Guild a warm welcome. A magnificent tea was provided by Mrs. Luxford and helpers.

The Guild Master (Mr. D. A. R. May) presided at the business meeting when a silent tribute was paid to the memory of Miss Nora Shorter. All were delighted to see the Grand Old Man of the District—Mr. W. Shepherd. The committee is to arrange a striking competition and Mr. and Mrs. Eric Godfrey of Addington were elected non-resident members.

Evening ringing at Oatlands Park included Cambridge and Superlative. R.C.



**QUARTER PEALS**

**LECHLADE, GLOS.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss B. Hardisty 1, Miss R. Lee (first 'inside') 2, Miss M. Walsh 3, R. Hayden 4, G. Land (cond.) 5, W. Gearing 6. For Evensong, a wedding compliment to Mr. C. Baxter and Miss M. Smith (choristers) and to welcome home from hospital Mr. A. J. King (tower captain).

**SARRATT, HERTS.**—On Sept. 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob and Grandsire: K. Cowan 1, D. Wilson 2, M. Potts 3, D. J. Goodman 4, G. G. Alban (first as cond. in two methods) 5. To celebrate the marriage of Geoffrey and June Rees, fellow ringers.

**SILSOE, BEDS.**—On Oct. 25th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Grandsire): T. R. Lett 1, D. R. Brazier (cond.) 2, T. R. Harris 3, P. J. Lawton 4, T. P. Harris 5, W. J. Lett 6. A farewell to G. M. Pickwell, with the good wishes of the St. James' Guild.

**SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Linda M. Clark (first quarter) 1, G. Kenward 2, Wendy R. Austin 3, J. Clark 4, G. A. Naylor (cond.) 5, S. B. Dobble 6, J. Judd cover. For Harvest Festival.

**SPALDING, Lincs.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. R. C. Noon 1, Mrs. E. T. Chapman 2, Miss J. Kendrick 3, Miss I. Hubbard 4, B. B. Tyrrell 5, J. Morton 6, R. C. Noon (cond.) 7, M. Bennett 8. First quarter 3 and 4. For Harvest Thanksgiving.

**STREATHAM, LONDON.**—At St. Leonard's Church, on Oct. 4th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: R. Sanders 1, J. Chapman 2, M. Potten 3, J. Rea 4, S. Howard 5, R. Tingley 6, A. Griffin 7, J. Euston (cond.) 8. For Dedication service.

**THETFORD, NORFOLK.**—On Sept. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. H. Roberts 1, N. Watson 2, Miss D. Reeve 3, H. Iving 4, A. G. Harrison 5, E. G. H. Maynard 6, J. Paul (cond.) 7, A. W. Foreman 8. To celebrate the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Fuller.

**THORLEY, HERTS.**—On Oct. 11th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Mrs. G. Warboys 1, R. Hayden 2, P. Warboys (cond.) 3, F. Bird 4, T. Camp 5, D. H. Kingston 6. For Harvest Festival. Also on Oct. 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. R. Hutley (first quarter) 1, P. Warboys (cond.) 2, A. Richardson 3, F. Bird 4, T. Camp 5, M. Camp 6. For Evensong.

**WORTHING, SUSSEX.**—At St. Botolph's Church, on Oct. 18th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: R. P. Wood 1, J. Reed (first of Stedman) 2, J. R. Wilson 3, M. Fromm 4, H. C. Weaver 5, H. D. Butler 6, L. Stilwell (cond.) 7, R. Cox 8.

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## INTROVERT OR EXTROVERT?

*Man of thought or man of action—which is the true ringer?*

**B**ASICALLY the man of thought is an introvert; the man of action an extrovert. The introvert is the perennial student. He is quiet and sensitive. He keeps his emotions to himself and examines his conduct and motives. He is the backroom boy who thinks up the plans and ideas that the man of action puts into practical use. He is enthusiastic but does not demonstrate except in sympathetic company. As a ringer he thinks first and rings afterwards. He also thinks all the time he is ringing.

The extrovert man of action, in the extreme manifestation of his kind, is the thick-skinned, back-slapping, what-ho type. His mental vision sees pictures in clear cut black and white. He makes quick decisions. As a ringer he can best be described as energetic, losing more peals than he rings. He possesses all the ruses of the belfryman, his methods of tower grabbing, etc., are questionable, though he always manages to keep on good terms with those who find him out.

Arriving at a meeting he will park his car with a screech of brakes right across the entrance to the church, and hearing a single bell being pulled off will sprint the 50 yards to the tower into which he rushes with a more than audible greeting to all and sundry, and is on the tenor box before the Ringing Master can stop him.

The foregoing is, of course, exaggerated, but any ringer of experience will recognise the type.

By contrast the man of thought will turn his car before backing into a proper parking place, he will quietly walk around the church before entering the tower, noting all points of interest, and will stand in the ringing chamber observing all that goes on, unobtrusively he will correct erring beginners, and by the time he is asked to take hold will know which bells, if any, are odd struck, and will react accordingly.

Again he is a recognisable type. Almost all games and sports are great revealers of character, none more so than the art of bellringing. And the revelation is not confined to the tower. The bar of a pub can be equally enlightening.

The man of action will talk in a loud voice of his conquests. In a less exaggerated version of his kind he will be akin to the dedicated self-made man who will use people to suit his own ends, taking a perverse delight in the criti-

cism which his actions incur. His passion for the 'big-time' is such that he rarely descends from the lofty heights and the vast reservoir of experience accumulated in reaching the 'top' remains comparatively untapped. He will have few real friends, will be the object of awe, perhaps of admiration, but seldom one of respect.

For the most part the man of thought listens. When asked a question he will answer but his reply is apt to be tentative because he realises that he has incomplete knowledge of the subject. Above all he is modest about his ringing, knowing its difficulties and uncertainties. He is as ready to take a rope in an advanced method as to assist the beginner through his first peal. In consequence he will enjoy a high degree of popularity, and will be universally respected.

Both man of thought and man of action derive enormous benefit from their ringing. The former gets some much needed exercise and is able to apply his questing mind to a set of problems totally different from those encountered at his work. He enjoys his triumphs, and one studied and planned for will make his day.

The latter, by the free use of his abundant energy, shakes the frustration out of himself, thus counteracting the baneful effects of his 'civilised' life. If ringing were not his hobby he would probably play tennis and squash or hit golf balls as hard as possible.

It takes all sorts to make up the ringing community. Every single one of us is a mixture of these two types but very few are 50-50. Those who are will be the duller of us and perhaps the least successful—and that goes for our non-ringing lives as well.

D. G. C.

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# 327th Anniversary Dinner, Ancient Society College Youths

CONCERN OVER STANDARD — TIGHTENING RULES OF MEMBERSHIP — NO DOUBT ABOUT COLLEGE YOUTHS' PEALS BEING TRUE, SAYS MR. FRANK HAYNES — MASTER'S GOOD WORK IN LONDON TOWERS

THE West of England and Wales were strongly represented at the 327th anniversary dinner of the Ancient Society of College Youths held at the Bridge House Restaurant, London Bridge, on October 31st, partly because of the close association of the Master (Mr. J. Phillips) with that area. The Master is equally popular in London and he received a great ovation when he entered, accompanied by his officers. Mr. R. B. Meadows (senior steward) and Mr. J. D. Rock (junior steward). Other officers this year are Messrs. J. E. Chilcott (secretary), C. G. J. Watts (hon. treasurer) and E. G. Fenn and J. F. Smallwood (trustees).

During the evening the Master took wine with his officers and Past Masters and with those with 60 years' membership — Messrs. George E. Symonds (1898), Ernest G. Fenn (1899) and James W. Chapman (1902) — and also with 50 or more years' William J. Rawlings (1914).

As is customary, the Master proposed the toast of 'The Church.' He commented that last week in 'The Ringing World' a friend of his wrote that if he talked in his Devonshire dialect no one would understand him. He asked his friend to remember that there were others than Devonians in the room.

It was a pleasure to see such a splendid gathering and it went to show that the College Youths were prospering, at least in numbers. The College Youths in the past had maintained a high standard of ringing and wherever they went they were held in the highest esteem. He trusted they would keep up that reputation in the future.

They owed their very being to the Church and without it the art of bellringing would be non-existent. The Church was still fulfilling her work which she had carried on for centuries, and without her teaching they would be in a sorry plight to-day. The Church's services, whether in a cathedral or the smallest parish church, were carried on with reverence and dignity.

## ST. PAUL'S RINGING

'We do in London try to maintain a high standard of ringing wherever we may be but especially at St. Paul's Cathedral. We ring twice on a Sunday, and maybe I say when the scroof gets to work woe betide the man who makes a mistake or a slight hesitation. If looks could kill he would drop dead.'

'Our art may be a mystery to the outsiders and maybe it's a mystery to some of us (laughter). I have spoken to some clergy and tried to explain it. They say "Yes" and "No" and then walk away without the slightest idea. We have to remember the purpose for which bells are hung in our churches and our first duty is to see that they are rung properly for the service of the Church.'

The Master paused and then to the expectant faces in front of him said: 'Gentlemen, I sweat.' Such delightful candour given in rich Devon brogue caused the greatest laugh heard at a College Youth dinner for many a year.

Introducing the Archdeacon, the Master said he would like him to know how much they appreciated the support and co-operation of the clergy. In the City of London they were grateful to them for allowing them to ring peals and hold practices. There were two who lived almost within the tower and when they went away when peals were rung it was not because they did not like bells, but because they did not like answering the telephone when the complaints come during the ringing.

## NEW ZEALAND CONVENTION

The Archdeacon of London's reply to the toast was rich in story and anecdote. He said the Master had emphasised the right relationship between the Church and its representatives, the clergy and the ringers. 'You have great advantages over the ordinary members of the congregation,' he said. 'When you have finished ringing you can sit upstairs.'



THE MASTER  
MR. J. PHILLIPS

'I have had associations with ringers before I came to England' (the Archdeacon was in New Zealand) for many years. In New Zealand we have members of the Ancient Society of College Youths. A few years ago Mr. Nelson Sloan came here and made contact with ringers all over the country through 'The Ringing World.' Wherever he went he was made most welcome.

'I hope the Church always stands fast by its ringers, as week by week people are not only called to worship, but in our cities and villages men and women are reminded of the eternal verities.'

Mr. Frank E. Haynes, in proposing the toast of 'The Society,' said three were three or four reasons why he was proposing that toast with more enthusiasm than was usual for some toasts. One was that most of them were followers of the cult of Bacchus without indulging excessively. Another was that it was an all-male gathering and he could remember occasions when members of the Society had reduced those of the opposite sex to tears by describing the incapacities of their ringing.

Another was to follow the advice of the preacher in Ecclesiastes: 'The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done.' That could be applied to St. Paul's, where they had the ultimate of bellringing—Stedman Cinques rung perfectly and confidently. The College Youths set a high standard and endeavoured to set a high standard of membership. He believed the question of membership and new members had been recently under revision and an effort was being made to keep up the old standard and make sure that the name of College Youths should maintain its reputation in the Exercise. Wherever one went the majority of people, if they heard College Youths, expected something from them and a particularly high standard in the matter of peal ringing.

## STANDARD OF PEALS

'I don't wish to raise any controversial question,' said Mr. Haynes, 'but we have heard questions raised as to the number of peals people have rung. I myself have rung approximately 700 but in that 700 there are one or two in which there is a bit of a doubt. I am not sure that Queens did not come up twice, but there are 20 to 25 for the Society, and of those I have no doubt. If all those peals had been rung for the College

Youths no one could dare write to "The Ringing World."

Mr. Rodney Meadows, the senior steward, deputised for the secretary, Mr. John Chilcott in reply. He said the College Youths was a large Society and the London part was only a small portion. That night they had an attendance of 189; it had been larger but they thought that the lowering was due to a change in the date.

## APOLOGIES

Mr. Meadows announced the following apologies: Messrs. F. Sharpe (first in 31 years, due to whooping cough), D. G. Clift, Hervey Bagot (Canberra, Australia), P. I. Chapman, E. T. Floyd Ewin, Henry Hodgetts, F. W. Perrens, J. Rea, G. Nelson Sloan (Christchurch, New Zealand), Rev. J. F. D. Trimmingham, A. Tyler, A. York Bramble, R. J. Bowden, Harry Miles, F. D. Mack, B. J. Wyld and C. T. Clarke.

The company stood while the list of those who had died since the last dinner was read: E. Maurice Atkins (1911) James Butler (1924), Frank E. Corfield (1954), Leonard Fidler (1930), Joseph S. Hawkins (1901), William Hoggett (1901), Albert A. Hughes (1903), Harry C. Jones (1945), William Linter (1932), Alan R. Macdonald (1910), Sidney James Orchard, Frederick W. Rogers (1928), Charles Sharples (1925), Henry Stalham (1920) and Cuthbert White. Mr. Meadows said Albert Hughes was very much in their thoughts that evening.

New members during the year totalled 54. There had been 25 peals rung as follows: Stedman Cinques 7, Stedman Caters 1, Stedman Triples 4, Grandsire Cinques 1, Grandsire Triples 1, Yorkshire Surprise Maximus 1, Cambridge Surprise Royal 1, London Surprise Royal (No. 3 Version) 1, Surprise Major 6, Surprise Minor 2.

Continuing, Mr. Meadows said their country meeting was held this year at Cardiff and they had a magnificent welcome mainly due to the affection with which the Master was held.

## MEMBERSHIP ELECTIONS

One of the items at their business meetings was the consideration of new rules. This was brought to a draft form and was subject to the test of opposition. He thought they could be confident that what would emerge would be a great improvement. The biggest change would be in the election of new members. There was no change in the qualification, but they did intend in the future to look closely into the nomination. There was to be a four-week gap between nomination and election. Belfry elections were out. The country meeting was to be held at Exeter on May 29th, and the dinner held on the first Saturday in November.

Concluding, Mr. Meadows said: 'I can assure you that John Chilcott is not flagging because he did not present the report. He was just keeping himself in form for a long haul. No one works harder for the Society than he.'

A course of Stedman Cinques was then successfully rung by P. A. F. Chalk 1-2, W. T. Cook 3-4, S. Kimber 5-6, M. Chilcott 7-8, John Chilcott (cond.) 9-10, Michael Moreton 11-12.

Proposing 'The Visitors and Kindred Ringing Societies,' Mr. J. A. Waugh gave a special welcome to Mr. W. C. Winterton, who is Master of the Drapers' Company, which was second in order of precedence among the City Companies. It was over 600 years old and had given London over 100 Mayors and Lord Mayors. Mr. Watts said he was one of the very few who could claim to have had his head smacked by one of the principal guests. Mr. Winterton's father was headmaster of Bancroft School.

The Rev. E. Rogers, Vicar of St. Giles, Cripplegate, replied, and said his father was a boy at Bancroft School. For the Kindred Societies, Mr. D. Beresford, Master of the Cumberlands, replied. He said it had often



**COLLEGE YOUTHS—Continued**

been said how much relationship between his Society and the College Youths had improved and this was as it should be, but it did not mean any diminution of the rivalry, and this was also as it should be. Problems did arise, as when the daughter of a Cumberland asked permission to marry a College Youth. The father, in his wisdom, gave his consent provided that the children were brought up in the Cumberland faith (laughter).

**MASTER'S GOOD WORK**

The ringers of London owed a great deal to the College Youths' Master, who had done much to improve relations between the Societies in the sharing of towers. It could be postulated that compared with territorial associations, national societies had no place but it was quite obvious that national societies were playing a great part in providing gatherings where they could meet and promote the friendly spirit that existed.

The evening concluded with the toast of 'The Fragrant Memory of the Masters of 300, 200 and 100 Years Ago,' which was submitted by the Master. In 1664 the Master was Thomas Brookes, said Mr. Phillips. He joined the Society in 1657 but nothing seems to be known about him. No record was preserved of the Master of 1764.

Mr. George A. Muskett was elected Master in 1864 and was one of the most prominent College Youths of the second half of the 19th century. It was said that his real name was not Muskett, but he took this name when he was ringing as he was a respectable business man in the city. This was a time when bellringing was not regarded as a fitting pursuit for a gentleman. He joined the Society in 1856 and became Master at the age of 27. Later he was secretary for many years and then a trustee. He was an honorary member of St. Paul's Cathedral band and took part in the first peal on the bells at the Cathedral. He rang about 65 peals for the Society, the first being Grandsire Triples at South Hackney in 1856. He rang at Cornhill in the long peal of Stedman Cinques and in the first peal in Ireland at Waterford in 1872. Mr. George Symonds knew George Muskett in 1896. He died in 1907.

Fraternising and handbell ringing concluded the evening.

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**UP AND COMING YOUNGSTERS—No. 18**

**PHILLIP CROSSTHWAITE**  
The Lancashire Association

The Lancashire Association with its wealth of ringers of all ages provides the next number for this series.

Phillip Crossthwaite, who was born at Preston on April 18th, 1949, is now in the Sixth Form at Preston Grammar School and is studying mathematics, physics and chemistry for 'A' level after having obtained his G.C.E. in eight subjects at 'O' level.

At the early age of 11, under the watchful eye of his father, Mr. Cyril Crossthwaite, Phillip started his ringing at Preston Parish Church, where a very high standard of ringing is maintained and Sunday service ringing is regular. It is not surprising, therefore, that he soon became a member of the Sunday service band.

Progress was made by Phillip at a good pace and he scored his first peal less than

two years later at the age of 13, when on November 28th, 1962, at the Church of All Saints, High Walton, he rang the second to Bob Major, which was conducted by his father.

This was the start of a very exciting and noteworthy collection of peals, which totals 59 to date, and includes Spiced Surprise Major in four methods (all the work), 7, 8, 9, 11, 14 and 17 methods. Also peals of London, Bristol, Ealing, Wembley, Southgate and Cornwall Surprise Major, Grandsire and Stedman Caters, Cambridge and Yorkshire Surprise Royal. Phillip has just started to take an interest in conducting and has so far conducted a number of quarter peals.

For most ringers peal ringing has its amusing moments and for Phillip this is no exception. During a peal of Minor rung near Great Yarmouth a well-known Irish ringer almost caused the loss of the peal, when in the fourth extent his trousers became noticeably insecure, and he had to spend the rest of the peal trying to keep them in place to save the lady ringers undue embarrassment.

This brilliant young ringer is not unconscious of the fact that a great deal of his success is due to the help he has received from his father and mother, his sister Mary and the many friends who have invited him to take part in peals.

**NORVING.**

**BATH & WELLS ASSOCIATION****Cary Branch**

Ringers from many parts of the Diocese and visitors from Enfield, Kent, Newbury, Portsmouth and Trowbridge came to ring on the anti-clockwise ring of six, at Charlton Mackrell on October 24th, for the autumn quarterly meeting.

The service was conducted by the Rector (Rev. T. W. Rhys, an associate member) assisted by the Branch Chairman (Rev. G. S. Robinson). Mrs. Buckland was at the organ, the Master of the Association (Rev. H. F. Warren) was welcomed by the Chairman at the business meeting and new members from Castle Cary, Charlton Mackrell and Ditchet were elected.

A donation from the widow of Mr. S. J. Pound (a member of the Association for many years) and also his 'Ringers' Handbook' had been presented to the Branch. It was decided to set up a Branch Bell Fund with the donation and place the book in Templecombe tower for the use of the ringers there.

Ringing ranged from Rounds to Plain Bob, Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Plain and Double Court Bob Minor, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob Minor, and Cambridge and London Surprise Minor.

**A SUFFOLK SILVER WEDDING**

The bells of Euston could not be rung in October, 1939, when Winifred Baker and Henry Ivings married there, but amendments were made on October 31st, when they celebrated their silver wedding.

Ringers from N.W. Suffolk, Central Suffolk, Norfolk and Deddington, Oxfordshire, combined to ring out their congratulations for two hours in a variety of Doubles methods.

The ringers were later entertained at the Ivings' residence; handbell tunes were rung by Mr. and Mrs. Ivings, their son John and the best man (Mr. William Ivings, of Deddington). Some method ringing was also enjoyed.

A peal was rung at Finborough, Suffolk, on Friday evening, in which Mrs. Ivings joined.

All their ringing friends wish them well: and hope they will have an equally good ring on their golden wedding anniversary. **G. R.**

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# Letters to the Editor

## Long Peal of Grandsire Caters

Dear Sir,—I wish to give notice of an attempt to ring 17,459 Grandsire Caters at St. Mark's Church, Worsley, Lancashire, on Saturday, November 21st, starting at 8 p.m. The composition is by Mr. A. M. Tyler and is given below.—Yours sincerely,

TUDOR P. EDWARDS.

Frodsham, Cheshire.

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23457896	1S			5
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36524	1	2	3	
43625	1	2	3S	
54326	1	2	3S	
35426	1	2	3	
43526	1	2	3	
64325	1	2	3S	A
56423	1	2	3S	
45623	1	2	3	
64523	1	2	3	
36425	1	2	3S	
53624	1	2	3S	

35624978	1		3	4
56324		A		

36452	1S		4	
64352		A		
46352879	1		3	4
63452		A		

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## Shincliffe Bells

Dear Sir,—On September 4th (page 592) you published an appeal for the augmentation of the three bells of Shincliffe to form a ring of five. Since the three bells were made ringable Shincliffe have formed a company strong enough to ring call changes at a nearby eight-bell tower which has no resident band.

Last winter they started visiting other towers for change ringing practice and some of them took to it readily. At his sixth practice 15-year-old Francis Martin was invited to have a try at a quarter peal. Due to summer holidays it was not until October 18th when the attempt was arranged at Lanchester. After a trial plain course and a false start he rang the treble quite creditably to a quarter of Plain Bob Doubles. It later turned out that it was only his eighth trial on more than three bells, and his last change ringing on five bells had been three months earlier.

As he has rung regularly at Shincliffe for two years, many ringers will have rung quarters with fewer hours of ringing, but I would be interested to hear of any comparable feat in the gaining of pure ropesight.—Yours faithfully,

H. B. THOMPSON.

Lanchester.

## All Saints' Doubles

Dear Sir,—As I read 'The Ringing World' I notice that the All Saints' Doubles method is being rung in various parts of the country in peals and quarter peals nearly every week. This is a very easy method for beginners and the request for free copies (as advertised under 'Publications' each week) has been great and encouraging. I would very much appreciate comment on this method, for or against, through 'The Ringing World'.—Yours truly,

WILLIAM H. CAVILL.

19, High Street, Ashcott,  
Near Bridgwater, Som.

## Unexpected Support

Dear Sir,—I draw your attention to the first issue of 'Practical Electronics' (No. 1, Vol. 1, November, 1964), where, on page 201, there is a small section headed 'Slow Toil, Please.'

The author of this column, John Vallence, although an 'electronic type,' appears to support our old-fashioned (?) method of calling folk to worship.—Yours faithfully,

Hale, Cheshire.

A. TWYMAN.

## Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Dear Sir,—Earlier this year you published an inquiry from me about the number of boys and girls who had chosen ringing as their pursuit for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award. I am very grateful to those who replied: the letters showed that at least 32 were working for or had passed one or other of the three standards.

One instructor commented that he felt the standard set was too high and that it placed at a disadvantage people in an area where ringing was not of a very advanced standard. He felt that the syllabus was far harder than most others open to boys (he is engaged in cadet training) and that it ought to concentrate more on setting out a course of activities to be followed. This, he considered, would be more in line with the objects of the Award.

I should be glad to know whether other instructors or candidates share this view, and if so to receive any suggestions for amendment. The various stages were drawn up in 1958 by myself in consultation with Mr. W. G. Wilson, the first being based on that set for the Girl Guides' Badge; they were required rather hurriedly and I am sure that it would be a good idea to have some fresh thoughts on the matter.—Yours faithfully,

E. A. BARNETT.

Hon. Secretary, C.C.

## Complete Rings of Old Bells

Dear Sir,—Mr. Philip Walker's and later Mr. D. G. Little's reference to complete rings by one founder was of interest to me also, and a complete ring of eight must be a great rarity, but hanging in a small parish church near my home are three bells identified as the work of Robert Norton, who was practising as a bellfounder in Exeter around 1390–1430.

Incidentally, these bells were saved from being replaced by a gramophone at a consistory court by a member of the Central Council Towers and Belfries Committee who happened to know of them.

They have now been rehung, retuned and are arranged to be safely swing-chimed. They are of good tone, sound and complete with canons; the largest is 6 cwt. 2 qr. —Yours faithfully,

W. A. OSBORN.

Galhampton, Som.

## 'Very much Alive'

Dear Sir,—My husband and I read with interest the letter in last week's 'Ringing World' headed 'A Go-Ahead District' from C. Pound. While feeling very flattered by the nice things said about our help in advancing the ringing when we lived in the Alton and Petersfield district, we were at the same time shocked to read that we are both dead.

On the contrary, we are very much alive, and although owing to health reasons I am not an active ringer now, my husband is, and is a Ringing Master of the Salisbury Branch.

We have followed with great interest and pleasure the continued progress of the Alton and Petersfield District and wish them every success in the future.—Yours faithfully,

JOAN M. JONES.

Salisbury, Wilts.

Dear Sir,—I was pleased to read the few words of encouragement from Mr. Charles Pound for the Alton and Petersfield District of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild. (Page 728 'A Go-Ahead District'.)

I feel sure, although certainly their names have not appeared in 'The Ringing World' recently, that Mr. and Mrs. Reg Jones have only moved to another district and have not moved on to higher service as Charles' letter would seem to infer.

Perhaps Reg can reassure his many friends that he and his wife are still alive and kicking! —Yours sincerely, DAVID M. HUGHES.

Liss, Hants.

P.S.—I would suggest the removal of the comma and the three words 'but they were' from the sixth line of the fifth paragraph. This would suit Mr. Pound's letter admirably.

## Unbreakable Stays

Dear Sir,—Mr. Dalton, in his letter, remarks that in the old times stays were not something to be broken. This is quite literally true.

Where I was brought up in the 1890's in S.E. Cornwall, all the rings were or recently had been Pennington Fours. They had no stays and you were brought up the hard way. If you let your bell go over, you had to go up and pass the rope by the light of a tallow candle and pay 6d.

Bells were rung from the bottom and returned there at the end of each 'peal,' and woe betide the offender who let his bell speak after the captain had stamped his foot to finish. I believe it is still the best way to learn. You do learn rope control, which stands you in good stead later if you take up change ringing.

Stays came in when the then modern methods of Mears and Stainbank and John Taylor began to replace the old fours with sixes. And those ringers who rang on them found that there were advantages in being able to set your bell. We called in the local carpenter and he fitted our wheels with stays. As they projected only a few inches they couldn't break without carrying away the wheel. The sole object was, and should be, to enable you to set the bells. As we had all learned to control our bell all the way up and down there was never a question of a bump; and the whole outfit lasted until Mears and Stainbank augmented the ring to six in 1914.

Since World War I I've never been able to take part in a good rise and fall. There is so much to teach and it's so hard to maintain interest that in many towers there just isn't time. How delightful, therefore, to hear a band of experts during the Central Council meeting raise a ring of eight perfectly before going for their peal.

But I still think of old Tom Stephens at my old tower: 'Now then, let's have a little moosic,' and down would come his foot. A round of complete silence and then 1, 2, 3, 4. —Yours sincerely,

C. F. JERRAM.

Helston, Cornwall.

## SAWBRIDGEWORTH EIGHT

Wednesday, November 18th, 8 p.m., has been fixed for the rededication service of Sawbridgeworth bells by the Bishop of Bedford. These bells, which have been ringing for almost 100 years, have been quarter-turned and retuned. The tenor (25 cwt. and cast by J. Bryant of Hertford in 1795) was found to be cracked and was recast with one cwt. of added metal. The full eight have been set up with new fittings, cast iron headstocks, wheels and ropes—these latter from John Nicoll.

John Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, were commissioned to carry out the restoration.

The tower's own ringing band undertook the job of clearing sawdust, 18–24 inches deep, from the pits. This had probably lain there since the bells were last given a major overhaul in 1871. The timbers and frame were treated against the destructive beetle and the frame showed itself still to be in very good condition. The soundproofing was replaced with fibreglass wadding, but this has not proved altogether successful. Further soundproofing is necessary.

An open afternoon and evening will be held on Saturday, November 21st. There will also be a service followed by tea and a meeting of Bishop's Stortford and District Association. Sawbridgeworth still faces a debt in connection both with the bells and with the restoration of the ringing chamber, and any goodwill offerings by visiting ringers will be most warmly appreciated. Donations, however small, should be sent to Mr. C. J. Searle, Barclays Bank, Sawbridgeworth, Herts.

WANDSWORTH, LONDON.—At Holy Trinity Church, West Hill, on Oct. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Jean Egerton 1, Margaret Godfrey 2, A. R. Millidge 3, E. Godfrey 4, R. J. Cooles (50th quarter) 5, L. C. Way 6, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 7, R. G. Twyman 8. For Matins.



## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE A.G.M.

A RED-LETTER day in the life of any ringing secretary is when the number of people who turn up for tea coincides with the number of names received beforehand. The annual meeting of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association held in Newcastle on 10 October 3rd was one of those rare occasions.

In one other aspect the day was less noteworthy for the general standard of the ringing was not as high as it was on the previous visit to Newcastle in 1962. Ringing in the evening would probably have benefited if an eight-bell alternative tower had been available near the Cathedral. St. John's, back in the programme for the afternoon, were not available in the evening and Gateshead, a traditionally hospitable tower, has suffered the misfortune of having its seventh bell badly cracked by a departing clapper. Jesmond obligingly tried to fill the breach but was probably a bit too far away for some ringers at the end of the day. In the afternoon St. Stephen's, which like St. John's has completed tower repairs since 1962, was open and Fenham completed the list.

The service in the Cathedral was conducted by the Provost, the Very Rev. C. C. Wolters, assisted by the Rev. R. W. Goundry and the organist was Mr. J. L. Keen. The Provost spoke of the development of bells as instruments for calling people to prayer and reminded those who rang the bells that the message applied to them as well. The Association's handbells sounded very well as they were rung after Psalm 150.

The business meeting was held in the Cathedral Library and the attendance was just over fifty. The President, Mr. E. P. Rock, took the chair and welcomed members and visitors from Yorkshire and the local universities. He made pleas for the proper maintenance of bells and a sustained effort in recruitment.

### SUBSCRIPTION INCREASE

Reports were presented on the year's work and these were adopted. The Treasurer's statement showed that the financial position had declined and, while there was no cause for alarm, the Committee felt that the time had come to take action to raise the subscription from 4s. to 5s. from September 1st, 1965. The secretary said that the acknowledgments that he received after informing the members who were given Life Membership showed that the award had given much pleasure to the recipients. Unfortunately, one of them, Mr. F. Sheraton, had died during the year and a remarkable membership spanning over 70 years had been brought to a close. Tanfield bells had been restored and the cricket match had been revived in spite of torrential rain earlier on that day. On the debit side there had been the accident to Gateshead's seventh. The Association's handbells had been renovated and a new box for them had been provided by Mr. N. I. Wright and insurance cover had been obtained against loss and damage. It was intended that the bells should be available on loan with suitable safeguards and a charge to defray the insurance premiums.

Instruction collectively and individually was the dominant theme in the Ringing Master's report. Collectively there had been another successful one-day course at Lumley Castle,

where the numbers attending and the range of classes had reached new high levels. Individually assistance had been given to the towers of Newburn and Tanfield. Other items included contact with the two theological colleges at Durham and some advice on bells and sound control. He was pleased to note that his pleas at Winton had not fallen on deaf ears and a fund had been launched to restore the bells. The general standard of ringing at meetings had been quite good.

### 39 PEALS

The peal report recorded 39 peals (5 on handbells). 69 ringers had taken part with Messrs. A. R. Patterson and F. Ross the leaders with 19 each. The leading conductors were Messrs. J. A. Ainsworth 6, and E. N. Harrison and A. R. Patterson 5 each. There had been 5 first peals and Mr. M. Maughan had scored his first as conductor, 19 Minor methods in hand set a new record and Double Norwich rung silent at Darlington was another noteworthy peal. The meeting expressed its appreciation of Miss M. E. Murcott's very fine effort in bringing the peal record up to date by typing well over 400 reports in the new style that had been introduced to replace the elaborate hand-written records of the earlier peal books.

The officers were re-elected en bloc and the list for 1964-65 is therefore: President, E. P. Rock; secretary, D. A. Bayles; treasurer, E. N. Harrison; ringing master, K. Arthur; editorial secretary, Miss M. E. Murcott; auditor, F. Ainsley; trustees, T. Cooke and N. I. Wright.

District officers were confirmed as follows: Northern, chairman G. S. Deas, secretary Miss I. Thomson; Southern, chairman F. W. Cooke, secretary Miss J. Warwick; Eastern, chairman R. Bell, secretary W. F. Sheraton; Western, chairman W. Tyson, secretary H. P. Thompson.

Meetings arranged for 1965 were: Social, Chester-le-Street, January 2nd; Ringing Course, Lumley Castle, March 20th; Half-yearly, Gosforth, May 29th; Annual, Darlington, September 25th.

Thirteen new members were elected, four coming from Jesmond, and three from West Hartlepool and one each from Benfieldside, Chester-le-Street, Consett, Darlington, Fenham and Tanfield.

The Committee decided to grant five guineas from the Bell Restoration Fund to Winton and to do the same for Shincliffe if the proposals there go ahead. D.A.B.

## TORRE, TORQUAY, RINGERS' OUTING

Thanks to excellent arrangements made by their captain, Mr. K. E. Fursdon, the Torre ringers had an enjoyable outing into East Devon on October 31st, when they were accompanied by friends from Babbacombe, Buckfastleigh and Topsham.

Ringing took place at Sowton (an eight rather difficult to handle), Whimpe, Talaton, Feniton, Buckerill and Awilscombe. A sumptuous tea was provided at Honiton, which was followed by rigging at St. Paul's Church, Honiton.

## OUTINGS

### ST. JAMES', TAUNTON

For their annual outing into North Devon and Somerset, St. James', Taunton, numbered 27 ringers, there being two absentees. Seventeen were between the ages of 10 and 15; of the 12 ladies, eight were under 15. There were three complete families and with the exception of the curate and his wife, all were being taught by the captain (Mr. R. Beale) and all were members of St. James' Church.

Concerning the outing, J. H. M. writes:

The band rang at Dulverton, Exford, Timberscombe, Luccombe and Selworthy. With names like these one can almost see the well-worn towers set in old-world churchyards. The sad thing is that one can almost smell the faint mustiness, too, for often the voice of the bells is unusual in these days. . . . Ringers have died and no one will train the youngsters. But the lure and affection for the bells was unmistakable: the locals said 'Luvly to yer um again. . . . they baint rung much now,' and the visitors came to tell us of towers in Wales and London and to ring Grandsire or so with us.

### TO WOOTTON BASSETT ONCE AGAIN

Every October Ottery St. Mary ringers visit Wootton Bassett, Wilts, to meet again that 'Old Otteregian,' Louis A. Wilson. Although he left Ottery during the 1890's, Louis still regards Ottery as his own tower and his records have been kept up to date in the tower record books.

Despite his 88 years he rings regularly, although he was knocked down by a car a few weeks ago. His strong character and will power gave him strength to partake in the ringing connected with the recent Wootton Bassett broadcast.

On the outward journey there was ringing at Shepton Mallet and Bradford-on-Avon and at Devizes and Castle Cary on the return. Arriving at Wootton Bassett, there was the familiar figure with his stick waiting to greet us warmly, together with the tower captain (Mr. E. Brooks) and the Vicar. Following ringing, which included a touch with our old friend, we were entertained to tea—a really good spread—by him.

Our sincere thanks to those who met us and made us so welcome at each tower visited, and to our Vicar (the Rev. D. Rufus Price) for obtaining the various towers.

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## HALF PEAL

## QUARTER PEALS

**MACHEN, MONMOUTHSHIRE.**—On October 24th, 2,528 Plain Bob Major: N. W. H. Simon 1, E. Thomas 2, N. A. Crowther 3, B. S. Neale 4, R. J. Waters 5, C. Aldridge 6, M. J. Pryor 7, M. Pilgrim (cond.) 8.

**LLANDAFF, GLAMORGAN.**—On October 25th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: Susan Harber 1, D. Bishop 2, N. Simon (cond.) 3, N. Crowther 4, M. Pilgrim 5, S. Fenwick 6, C. Aldridge 7, N. Evans 8. First in the method for all.

**LANCHESTER, DURHAM.**—On Sept. 27th, 1,320 Doubles (3c methods): J. Tonks 1, A. Walker 2, Miss L. Moore 3, D. Appleton 4, H. P. Thompson (cond.) 5, R. S. Jackson 6. For Evensong. Also on Oct. 18th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: F. Martin (first quarter) 1, J. Tonks 2, A. Walker 3, R. S. Jackson (first 'inside') 4, H. P. Thompson (cond.) 5, J. Thomson 6. For Evensong at Harvest Festival.

**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—On Oct. 10th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: R. Rayfield 1, Wendy Wallace (first 'inside') 2, E. G. H. Godfrey 3, Margaret C. Godfrey 4, Katherine M. Guy 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6. Also on Oct. 25th, 1,440 Surprise Minor (Cambridge, Ipswich and Norwich): Wendy C. Wallace 1, Carol Cousins 2, Margaret C. Godfrey 3, E. G. Godfrey 4, C. H. Macve 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6. First quarter in three Surprise methods by all except the conductor.

**ALL CANNINGS, WILTS.**—On Oct. 17th, 1,260 Doubles (9 methods): E. Burry 1, R. Fisher (first in 9 methods 'inside') 2, Pamela Osborne 3, B. Osborne 4, D. Bailey (cond.) 5.

**AMPTHILL, BEDS.**—On October 28th, 1,260 Doubles (240 Stedman, 240 St. Simon's, 240 Plain Bob and 540 Grandsire): R. J. Sharpe (cond.) 1, R. Churchill 2, K. Fleming 3, C. D. Mann 4, S. J. Ivin 5, A. E. Holder 6. Rung to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Camidge's return to England after living in Northern Rhodesia for 3½ years.

**ARLESEY, BEDS.**—On Sept. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Prowse 1, P. Rogers 2, Verna Rix 3, K. Barnes 4, C. M. Orme 5, M. Trigg (cond.) 6. A company quarter, the ringers all being employed by International Computers and Tabulators Limited (I.C.T. Ltd.).

**ASH-IN-MARTOCK, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. R. Carter 1, G. A. Carter 2, J. H. Nibbs 3, D. L. Nibbs 4, C. P. Quartley 5, R. D. Quartley (cond.) 6.

**ASTON INGHAM, HEREFORDS.**—On Oct. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. J. Tyler 1, W. Spire 2, L. Smith 3, R. Chew 4, J. J. Webb (cond.) 5, K. Tyler 6. For the induction of the Rev. W. B. Harrison to this parish.

**BIDDENHAM, BEDS.**—On Oct. 21st, 1,440 Double Oxford Bob Minor: R. D. Bellamy 1, R. Chapman 2, G. E. Bonham 3, D. A. Hammond 4, G. W. Massey (cond.) 5, P. Mehew 6.

**BILSTON, STAFFS.**—On October 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: T. J. Greaves (first of Minor) 1, J. Wellings 2, J. Wilkinson 3, R. Dorrington 4, P. G. K. Davies 5, R. M. Hodister (first of Minor as cond.) 6. For Children's Harvest. First of Minor by the local band.

**BLABY, LEICS.**—On October 14th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Plain Bob and Reverse Canterbury): A. J. Gray 1, Miss M. Prophet 2, B. C. Law 3, R. A. Copley 4, R. Chapman (first as cond.) 5. For the weddings of Mr. R. F. Lees and Miss C. G. Ecob. Also Mr. M. S. McNally and Miss G. M. Stevens.

**BLO' NORTON, NORFOLK.**—On Oct. 10th, 1,320 changes: A. W. Foreman 1, O. W. Garnham 2, R. Grant 3, S. A. Holman 4, N. Watson 5, H. Fuller (cond.) 6. A wedding compliment to A. Rae Foreman and Margaret R. Savory, married this day.

**BRISTOL.**—At St. Ambrose's on Oct. 25th, 1,260 Siedman Triples: Gillian M. Hussey 1, A. C. Baker 2, Jacqueline A. Hobbs 3, F. J. Sampson 4, M. J. Hobbs 5, J. A. Bennett 6, D. J. Hunt (cond.) 7, F. R. Hussey 8. Rung for the 65th birthday of Albert Charles Baker, former captain of St. Ambrose's.

**CHEADLE, CHESHIRE.**—On November 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: L. Cook 1, A. Cairns 2, A. Frost 3, J. Bell 4, H. Cook 5, S. Livesey 6, C. Bell (cond.) 7, K. Ginger 8. A 80th birthday compliment to the ringer of the 3rd (Mr. A. Frost) who is still a very active member of the tower.

**CHOBHAM, SURREY.**—On October 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss A. Jupp 1, C. Hill (25th quarter) 2, D. G. Blows 3, Miss A. Pickering (first quarter) 4, P. J. Privett (first of Triples 'inside') 5, J. W. Priest 6, Roy Collins (cond.) 7, Ron Collins 8. For Confirmation.

**CHOLSEY, BERKS.**—On Oct. 15th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. R. White 1, G. Bishop 2, C. J. Garlick 3, G. K. Cook 4, J. Money 5, T. W. Palmer 6, J. Napper (cond.) 7, H. Escott 8.

**CLAPHAM PARK, LONDON.**—On Oct. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Paul (first of Triples) 1, R. Stevens (cond.) 2, P. Munday 3, S. Hooper 4, R. Cooles 5, J. Hayns 6, D. Herschell 7, K. Taber 8. A.M.D.G.

**CLAPTON-IN-GORDANO, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 24th, 1,260 Doubles (3 methods): Mrs. G. Simmonds 1, A. Lane 2, A. Gould 3, R. Gale 4, F. Sandy (cond.) 5, D. Gale 6. For the wedding of the tower captain's daughter, Miss S. Knight, to Mr. R. Blannin.

**CULCHESTER, ESSEX.**—At St. Peter's, on Oct. 4, 1,312 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: A. Dale 1, H. Webb 2, E. P. Duffield 3, B. Webb 4, K. Smith 5, E. Piper 6, G. Collins 7, H. J. Millatt (cond.) 8. For Harvest Festival.

**CONSETT, CO. DURHAM.**—On Sept. 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: K. Todd (first quarter) 1, J. Vickery 2, S. Zvezginov 3, W. Tyson 4, W. Shute (cond.) 5, R. Skelton 6, G. Ratcliffe (cover) 7. For Evensong.

**COTTINGHAM, EAST YORKS.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,344 Grandsire Triples: Jean M. Woodbridge 1, Mrs. Rence Page-Jones (first of Grandsire) 2, J. I. Booth 3, C. L. D. Munday (first of Grandsire) 4, P. Scrowson 5, R. D. Gibson (first as cond. in Grandsire) 6, C. C. Brown 7, R. M. Page-Jones (first quarter) 8. For Evensong.

**CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.**—On Oct. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: I. Wickens (first quarter) 1, Miss R. A. Stevens 2, R. V. Johnson 3, G. Ford 4, S. Upton 5, H. Burton 6, F. F. Godmark (cond.) 7, E. Brett. Rung in honour of the Induction of the former Vicar, the Rev. J. O. Smart to the Benefice of Karen, Nairobi. Also on Oct. 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Burton 1, Miss R. A. Stevens 2, G. Ford 3, Miss V. Mephram 4, R. V. Johnson 5, S. Upton 6, F. F. Godmark (cond.) 7, S. Arnold 8.

**DUBLIN.**—At St. George's Parish Church, on All Saints' Day, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. V. Scott 1, G. McGregor (first 'inside') 2, A. S. Doak 3, L. N. Kennedy 4, V. Scott (first as cond.) 5, T. Denner 6. First attempt by all except 2nd. Rung on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the consecration of the church.

**EAST HAGBOURNE, BERKS.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. White 1, G. W. Bishop 2, Miss M. Thomas 3, L. F. Cox 4, G. J. Garlick 5, M. Bishop 6, J. H. Napper (cond.) 7, E. G. Sawyer 8. An engagement compliment to Clare Napper and John Lightfoot. Also a 21st birthday compliment to Clare, who is the Sunday School teacher and sister of the conductor.

**EASTHAMSTEAD, BERKS.**—On Oct. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: N. W. Rapley 1, Dorothy Humphris 2, F. C. Price 3, C. W. Bailey 4, W. R. Churchill 5, S. G. Scott (cond.) 6. To mark the marriage this day of Jane M. Rance, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. N. Rance, ringers of this tower, to Mr. D. J. Cresswell.

**EDMOND, SHROPSHIRE.**—On Oct. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Marian Cotton 1, B. K. Wickstead 2, E. C. Morrall 3, G. E. Morrall (cond.) 4, J. A. Morrey 5, L. Barber 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Roger H. Silvester, aged 17, a local ringer, killed on Oct. 25th, and buried here this day.

**EDINBURGH, MIDLOTHIAN.**—At St. Cuthbert's Church, on Oct. 31st, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: F. E. Collins 1, Miss E. Graham (first quarter in method) 2, Mrs. L. Martin 3, M. M. Peterson 4, R. S. Wilson 5, M. J. Marriott (cond.) 6.

**FARMBOUROUGH, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,380 Oxford Bob Minor: K. Baker 1, C. Clarke 2, Rosemary Smith 3, A. Perry 4, R. Smith 5, M. Horseman (cond.) 6.

**FARNBOROUGH, HANTS.**—On October 4th, 1,440 Spliced Surprise Minor (Lightfoot, Wearmouth, Westminster, Allendale): G. S. G. Joyce 1, C. H. Kippin 2, H. P. Reed 3, W. J. Couperthwaite 4, V. M. Cox 5, R. C. Kippin (cond.) 6. First of Spliced Surprise Minor in 4 methods by all.

**GEDLING, NOTTS.**—On October 18th, 1,260 Doubles (3 methods): J. Dawson 1, G. A. Dawson (cond.) 2, J. T. Burnup 3, D. A. Osbourne 4, D. Surman 5, R. Adey 6. For Matins.

**GOSFORTH, NORTHUMB.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. G. Craddock (cond.) 1, Gillian Douglas 2, W. G. Hedley 3, W. Davidson 4, J. Crowther 5, M. Maughan 6. Rung half-muffled for the consecration of the Garden of Remembrance.

**HARROW WEALD, MIDDLESEX.**—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Susan Jenkins (first quarter) 1, Mrs. P. M. Mayne 2, Mrs. E. K. Hart 3, Susan Smith 4, H. G. Hart 5, R. Hodgson 6, J. R. Mayne (cond.) 7, J. Kettlingham 8.

**HEMINGTON, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Dawn White (first quarter) 1, Sandra Weaver 2, Bob Hawkins 3, H. Hawkins 4, Jennifer Durston (first as cond.) 5, R. Weaver 6. Also on Oct. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. Penney 1, Sandra Weaver 2, R. Weaver 3, E. Penney 4, Jennifer Durston (cond.) 5, N. Perkins 6. First quarter by an entirely local band. For Harvest Festival.

**HIGH HALDEN, KENT.**—On Sept. 23rd, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: M. French (first quarter) 1, Violet Relf 2, L. Sweetman 3, Elizabeth Stewart 4, J. Richards 5, G. Stewart (cond.) 6. A 60th birthday compliment to Mr. W. C. Marshall.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,320 Doubles (5 methods): S. J. Dowse 1, M. W. Harrison 2, C. R. Larkin 3, R. Blackshaw (cond.) 4, J. Heaps 5. For Evensong on St. Luke's Day.

**HUNTON, DEVON.**—On Oct. 4th, at St. Paul's Church, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (4, 6, 8 behind): K. Broom 1, D. Salter 2, C. Manley 3, J. Real 4, R. Watts 5, F. Lane 6, W. Webb 7, M. Squire 8. For Harvest Festival.

**HUTTON CRANSWICK, YORKS.**—On Oct. 11th, 1,272 Kent and Oxford Treble Bob Minor: L. Rodmell 1, Miss J. Gray 2, H. C. Palmer 3, K. Kirk 4, D. S. Johnson 5, R. Ducker (cond.) 6. For Harvest Festival.

**ISHAM, NORTHANTS.**—On Oct. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. T. Buswell 1, Miss E. M. Garley 2, G. Valentine 3, C. A. Blaxley 4, E. G. Johnson 5, A. E. Garley (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled following the memorial service to E. M. Atkins, whose ashes were interred in the village cemetery that afternoon.

**KETTERING, NORTHANTS.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: D. Mitchell 1, D. Bowen 2, Audrey Taylor 3, W. Lawrence 4, Shelagh Collins (cond.) 5, R. Turner 6, A. Idle 7, J. Mitchell 8, J. G. Mitchell 9, P. Inns 10. First of Grandsire Caters for 1, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 9. To welcome Fr. David Fry as Priest-in-Charge of St. Michael's.

**KINGSTON, DORSET.**—On Oct. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples (from Holt's Original): Ruth A. Elmes 1, Judith A. Robertson 2, P. R. Keough 3, G. W. Elmes 4, M. J. Young 5, J. W. Blackwood 6, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 7, R. W. Young 8. By the Wareham band for Holy Communion.

**LEICESTER.**—On Oct. 22nd, at St. John-the-Divine, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Buckley 1, I. J. Fraser 2, R. Starbuck 3, W. J. Tanser 4, L. N. Melton 5, G. Mason 6, S. Harrison (cond.) 7, R. K. Mason 8. Half-muffled in memory of W. H. Clarke, former Ringing Master at this church.

**LEIGH, LANCs.**—On Oct. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. Davies (first on a working bell) 1, P. Gregory 2, Margaret E. Fort (cond.) 3, Valerie E. Watts 4, J. Ashcroft 5, D. Martin-Taylor (first quarter) 6. For Evensong.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On Oct. 25th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Elizabeth Todd 1, Myrtle Cook 2, B. L. Marks 3, H. P. Yates 4, R. P. Brotherton (cond.) 5, D. Gower 6. For Evensong.

**MARKFIELD, LEICS.**—On Oct. 11th, 1,260 Minor (Single Oxford, Plain Bob): A. E. Rowley 1, K. Burdett 2, J. Wardle 3, R. D. Hughes 4, W. E. Goodby 5, G. M. Pickwell (cond.) 6. For Harvest Festival. Also a welcome to Mr. G. M. Pickwell to his new home tower.

**MARSTON, OXFORD.**—On Sept. 27th, 1,260 Doubles (11 methods): Miss J. A. Chandler 1, R. H. Jones 2, L. Porter 3, N. D. Deam (cond.) 4, A. Gammon 5. For Evensong.

**MILTON REGIS, KENT.**—On Oct. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. F. J. Cheal 1, G. Kenward 2, F. J. Cheal (cond.) 3, K. Young 4, N. Crane 5, G. Wood (16) (first quarter) 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Albert Dunk, captain of the Stockbury ringers, and of Mr. H. Foxell, of Rainham.

**NAILSEA, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 20th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Brain 1, R. Sweet (first quarter) 2, L. Derrick 3, T. G. Phillips 4, C. Korrigh (cond.) 5, H. Hardwidge 6.

**NEWBOLD-ON-AVON, WARWICKS.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. G. Edgson 1, Joan M. Cheney 2, W. C. Budd 3, D. E. Griffiths 4, P. M. Edgson 5, A. G. Eveleigh (cond.) 6. For Harvest Festival.

**NORTHLEIGH, OXON.**—On Sept. 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Morgan (first of Minor) 1, D. Floyd 2, E. D. Patching (first of Minor 'inside') 3, T. G. Holden 4, J. F. List 5, P. G. Holden (cond.) 6. Also on Oct. 23rd, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): E. D. Patching 1, S. M. Holden (first 'inside') 2, P. G. Holden (cond.) 3, T. G. Holden 4, J. F. List 5, First in six methods by all.



## OBITUARY

### MR. W. T. HOLDING

With regret we record the death in hospital on October 11th, after a short illness, of Mr. William T. Holding, of Crewe, Cheshire.

After having been a member of the band at Christ Church for 60 years it was with reluctance that he retired from active ringing in January, 1960. He served for 30 years as treasurer of the Crewe Branch of the Chester Diocesan Guild, and although he had only rung 18 peals he took a keen interest in the activities of those to whom this aspect of our art appealed.

In his attendance for service ringing he provided an example of which the Exercise in general, and the Chester Diocesan Guild in particular, may well be proud. Throughout his 60 years of ringing he was never late or absent from service ringing on Sunday mornings and evenings.

His service to the Church extended beyond the field of ringing, for he taught for many years in the Sunday School and had held offices of sidesman, parochial church councillor and churchwarden. It was a mark of the esteem in which he was held when so many of his friends from ringing and other circles were present at his funeral, which was conducted by the chairman of the Crewe Branch, the Rev. W. S. Pears.

His genial presence will be sadly missed, particularly at the Branch annual meeting at which he always undertook the duty of proposing the vote of thanks. We are privileged to have known a Christian gentleman; we thank God for the example of his life, and pray that his soul may rest in peace. W. K.

### MR. CHARLES DALE

Many friends from numerous voluntary organisations with which he had been connected attended the funeral service for Mr. Charles Dale, Ringing Master at St. Alphege's Church, Solihull, on October 30th. The Rector (Canon Harry Hartley) conducted the service and in a tribute spoke of Mr. Dale's unbounding energies and his high qualities as a churchman and citizen. As the cortege left the

church for the interment at Robin Hood Cemetery a course of Grandsire Triples 'in hand' was rung by V. W. Rigg, G. E. Fearn, R. C. Ingram (Master, St. Martin's Guild) and C. W. Bragg. On Sunday evening the bells of the Parish Church were rung half-muffled to the memory of a beloved Master. T. J. W.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD Marlborough Branch

The October meeting of the Marlborough Branch was held at Collingbourne Kingston on October 24th, when the attendance was considerably lower than at recent meetings. In addition to the home tower, six others were represented and, under the direction of the Rev. R. Keeley (Ringing Master), good use was made of the bells. The Guild Service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. G. F. Kidd) with Mr. Colin Ward playing the organ. Tea was taken in the Village Hall, the company being the guests of the Collingbourne ringers, the meal being organised by Mrs. R. Ward and Mrs. A. J. Walker.

At the meeting Mr. George Newman (chairman) paid a tribute to Mr. and Mrs. George Brown, of Marlborough St. Mary's, who are leaving the district for Berkshire. Mr. Brown has served as assistant secretary for the past year and his help has been invaluable during the indisposition of Mr. T. A. Palmer. Both he and Mrs. Brown have been a tower of strength in Marlborough ringing circles, and best wishes from their many friends go with them to their new home.

Mr. Newman also mentioned the loss sustained by the departure of Mr. Alan Keen, of Aldbourne, who had gained a place in the Manchester School of Music. Congratulations and best wishes to Alan also, and to the Ringing Master on scoring his 150th peal, were voiced by the chairman.

W. A. E.

**WEST STOW, SUFFOLK.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. F. Ballam 1, A. G. Ballam 2, J. Deeks (first quarter) 3, Miss D. Reeve 4, E. A. Murrell 5, J. A. Underwood (cond.) 6, For Harvest Thanksgiving.

## CHELMSFORD CATHEDRAL FESTIVAL

At the request of the Provost and Cathedral Authorities ringing of the Cathedral bells was undertaken by the Association's five Divisions to precede events in the Cathedral.

Saturday, October 17th (by North Eastern Division), 1,264 Plain Bob Major: A. Dale 1, H. Webb 2, S. Piper 3, F. B. Lufkin (cond.) 4, M. Downes 5, G. Collins 6, E. Duffield 7, H. Millatt 8.

Sunday, October 18th (by the Cathedral band), 1,277 Grandsire Caters: P. Brown 1, Marion Panton 2, Rose Marie Firth 3, R. Groves 4, L. J. Clark (cond.) 5, D. Symonds 6, M. Cowling 7, J. Crawley 8, P. Saltmarsh 9, B. Hines 10.

Monday, October 19th, the Cathedral Band rang touches of Siedman Cinques.

Tuesday, October 20th (by Northern Division), 1,280 Cambridge Major: Miss J. Quilter 1, A. Wiffen 2, Mrs. J. Syder 3, A. Syder 4, R. Lindsell 5, J. Warner 6, R. Suckling (cond.) 7, E. Bright 8.

Wednesday, October 21st (by South Western Division), 1,311 Stedman Cinques: C. Willmington 1, J. Crampion (cond.) 2, H. Turner 3, J. Armstrong 4, J. Boyack 5, J. Stephenson 6, D. Hewitt 7, R. Chapman 8, F. V. Gant 9, D. Cobb 10, J. Waugh 11, R. Cousins 12.

Thursday, October 22nd (by South Eastern Division), 1,277 Grandsire Caters: P. Rothera 1, Jane Foster 2, Rose Marie Firth 3, P. Brown 4, L. J. Clark (cond.) 5, M. Cowling 6, J. Panton 7, D. Symonds 8, P. Eves 9, J. Crawley 10.

Saturday, October 24th (by North Western Division), touches of Stedman Triples.

Sunday, October 25th (by the Cathedral band), 1,277 Grandsire Caters: Marion Panton 1, Ann Edwards 2, Rose Marie Firth 3, R. Groves 4, L. J. Clark (cond.) 5, R. H. Harrison 6, J. Crawley 7, I. Panton 8, D. Symonds 9, R. Saltmarsh 10.

Monday, October 26th, following an unsuccessful peal attempt, 1,311 Stedman Cinques: R. C. Heazel 1, A. Hudson (cond.) 2, J. H. Crampion 3, Miss H. G. Snowden 4, F. B. Lufkin 5, J. Roast 6, D. Hewitt 7, P. Eves 8, P. Saltmarsh 9, E. P. Duffield 10, I. Panton 11, D. Symonds 12.

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Friends will be surprised to see that Mrs. Hairs, who in her younger days was a polished exponent of handbell ringing, is again in the news by ringing in a peal of Stedman Caters. It is 20 years since she last rang Stedman Caters to a peal 'in hand,' and while she makes no secret that she has passed 70 years of age, we are creditably informed that it was a good performance.

Dr. Peter E. North, a ringer at Rotherham Parish Church, is leaving to take up an appointment at Scunthorpe Hospital.

University of London Society of Change Ringers claim to have 15 members on the Central Council.

If O. A. M. will send his name and address to the Editor his letter will be considered for publication.

Mr. Charles A. Pound asks us to make a correction to his letter 'A Go-Ahead District' (page 728). Mr. and Mrs. Reg Jones are still alive and live in the Salisbury district. The phrase should read: 'They are dead keen ringers.'

The G.O.M. of Cheadle, Cheshire, is Mr. A. Frost, who rang in the quarter peal for his 80th birthday. He is still very active, ringing twice on Sundays and practice nights, and also travels around to Guild meetings. He has completed well over half a century of ringing.

In honour of the Queen Mother's visit, a quarter peal was rung on October 27th at Pembroke, which is believed to be the first on the bells. It is certainly the first on the bells by the Sunday service ringers as there was no change ringing in the tower before the present band was formed about four years ago.

To help pay for the restoration of Brisley Parish Church tower, Norfolk, four of the 17th century bells have been sold to John Taylor and Co. The bell which is being kept is dated 1621 and bears the name of Alice Brand, the woman bell founder. The restoration will cost about £3,300, towards which the Historic Churches Preservation Trust are making a grant of £1,500.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

An unfortunate accident took place at St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, arising from the bolt of the tenor clapper breaking and in falling hitting the crosspiece of the 'H' section of the 11th bell, which was broken. Only the 'Gabriel 8' will be ringable for some time but visitors are still welcome on Monday evenings and Sundays. Messrs. Taylor have the matter in hand.

Congratulations to Mr. James Bennett on ringing his 1,300th peal. His friends rejoice to see him peal ringing again after his recent infirmity.

Mrs. Camidge, a member of the Amptill band, and her husband have returned to England after 3½ years in Northern Rhodesia. A welcoming quarter was rung on October 28th.

Mr. Ian V. J. Smith informs us that there were two inaccuracies in the peal at Keswick footnotes (page 717). It was Miss Katharine Guy's 25th peal and not Mr. Colin Cook's, and the first peal of Grandsire for these two ringers.

The band who rang the peal at Ringwood on October 28th wish to associate with it Mr. G. 'Ted' Turner. Shortly before the peal he suffered an accident. The ringers thank Mrs. G. Marshallsay for taking his place at less than 24 hours' notice.

The handbell tune ringing introduced into the B.B.C. Midland Regional Home Service programme "Today" on November 5th, was by the former Leigh Sinton Handbell Ringers, Wores. They were using a diatonic ring of 12 bells in D21. The narrative was by Mr. Frank R. Barnett and all the team are members of Worcestershire Association.

Friends of Mr. Leonard Rodmell will be pleased to note that he took part in a quarter peal recently, after being supposedly retired from active participation in ringing, due to ill-health, some two years ago!! We've a sneaking feeling he still gets up at Patrington occasionally, too—you can't keep a good man down! And we were very pleased to have him with us.—R.D.

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## TOWER BELL PEALS

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

YATTON, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 4 lb. in D.

Jennifer M. Taylor .. Treble	Richard J. Bowden .. .. 5
Elisabeth A. G. Bowden .. 2	Don C. Exell .. .. 6
Anthony E. Cox .. .. 3	James R. Taylor .. .. 7
Philip M. J. Gray .. .. 4	John R. Mayne .. .. Tenor

Composed by Henry Dains.

Conducted by John R. Mayne.

HARDINGTON MANDEVILLE, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., Oct. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor 8½ cwt.

Being seven different extents.	
William A. Whetham .. Treble	Derek S. Beaufoy .. .. 4
Gilbert W. Rendell .. 2	Rev. C. J. B. Marshall .. 5
Raymond P. Selway .. .. 3	William E. Turner .. .. Tenor

Conducted by William E. Turner.

Rung to mark the centenary of the rebuilding of the body of the church.

DUNKERTON, Somerset.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Wed., Oct. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Tenor 5 cwt. 18 lb. in C.

Being 42 extents.	
*John H. Thompson (12) Treble	Alan F. Lee .. .. 4
*Robin L. Coles (14) .. 2	*Shirley A. Cox (13) .. 5
*Ian P. Cox (13) .. .. 3	Albert F. Butt .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Alan F. Lee.

\* First peal.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

MAULDEN, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Oct. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. in F sharp.

James H. Edwards .. Treble	C. Edward Jeffries .. .. 5
*Christine A. Smith .. .. 2	Robert L. Piron .. .. 6
John W. Sinfield .. .. 3	Alfred E. Rushton .. .. 7
Ronald J. Sharp .. .. 4	Stephen Ivins .. .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. Worsley.

Conducted by Stephen Ivins.

\* First peal of Surprise Major.

TICHMARSH, Northants.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In eight methods, comprising 1,600 of Rutland, 1,280 of Pudsey and 640 of Bristol, and 320 each of Cambridge, Superlative, Yorkshire, Pudsey and Lincolnshire, with 129 changes of method.

Tenor 17 cwt. 3 qr. 22 lb.

Arthur Gibbs .. Treble	D. John Hunt .. .. 5
Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 2	James R. Taylor .. .. 6
Jennifer M. Taylor .. .. 3	Alfred E. Rushton .. .. 7
Ronald J. Sharp .. .. 4	Stephen Ivins .. .. Tenor

Composed by Richard F. B. Speed.

Conducted by Stephen Ivins.

DAVENTRY, Northants.—At the Church of the Holy Cross.

On Sun., Oct. 18, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In eight methods, comprising 768 each of London and Rutland, 640 of Bristol, and 576 each of Cambridge, Superlative, Yorkshire, Pudsey and Lincolnshire, with 142 changes of method.

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb.

Stephen Ivins .. Treble	James R. Taylor .. .. 5
Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 2	D. John Hunt .. .. 6
Avenir Ivins .. .. 3	Patrick I. Chapman .. .. 7
Jennifer M. Taylor .. .. 4	Peter Border .. .. Tenor

Composed by Norman Smith.

Conducted by Stephen Ivins.

TOTTENHOE, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 9½ cwt.

*Jeffrey Claughton .. Treble	*Ian Knox .. .. 5
*Christine A. Smith .. 2	*Albert G. Stripp .. .. 6
†Roy Stripp .. .. 3	John W. Sinfield .. .. 7
*R. John Scott .. .. 4	Dennis Knox .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. Reeves.

Conducted by Dennis Knox.

\* First peal of Little Bob. † First peal. First in the method on the bells. Mr. J. W. Sinfield has now rung peals of Little Bob from Major to Maximus.

Rung for Harvest Festival.

MAULDEN, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, comprising 2,880 of London, 800 each of Bristol and Superlative, and 640 of Cambridge, with 120 changes of method.

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. in G.

Stephen Ivins .. Treble	Martyn L. J. Jordan .. 5
S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. 2	Roger Baldwin .. .. 6
Eric Edmondson .. .. 3	Gerald Penney .. .. 7
Ronald J. Sharp .. .. 4	Alfred E. Rushton .. .. Tenor

Composed by Albert J. Pitman.

Conducted by Gerald Penney.

First of Spliced Surprise as conductor.

SANDY, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Swithin.

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr.

Ronald S. Sharp .. Treble	Charles Blain .. .. 4
*David G. Carr .. .. 2	Stephen Ivins .. .. 5
Sheila I. Smith .. .. 3	Alan S. Smith .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Stephen Ivins.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. First on the bells since being rehung in 1953.

BURWELL, Cambridgeshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 7 lb.

M. C. E. Hodge (Fitz.) Treble	†R. W. H. Hayes (Caius) 5
*G. H. Jones (St. John's) 2	K. J. Darvill (St. Cath's) 6
R. M. Damerell (Corpus) 3	F. C. Hobson (St. John's) 7
S. P. Darvill (Downing) 4	V. Nutton (Selwyn) .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen J. Ivins.

Conducted by Kenneth J. Darvill.

\* First peal in the method. † First on eight bells.

## THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

HARSTON, Cambridgeshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., Oct. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb.

Rev. E. Bankes James' arrangement.	
*J. B. Cooke (Queens') .. Treble	V. Nutton (Selwyn) .. 4
B. D. Threlfall (Trinity) 2	K. J. Darvill (St. Cath's) 5
*R. W. H. Hayes (Caius) 3	†S. P. Darvill (Downing) Tenor

Conducted by Kenneth J. Darvill.

\* First peal. † First in the method. First of Surprise as conductor.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

RUNCORN, Cheshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr.

Denis Maddock .. Treble	John Ryder .. .. 5
Harry W. Howard .. .. 2	Geoffrey Graham .. .. 6
John S. Dean .. .. 3	Harold Worrall .. .. 7
Cynthia Woods .. .. 4	Geoffrey Parting .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. Pritchard.

Conducted by Harold Worrall.

MARPLE, Cheshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb.

Peter J. Malloch .. Treble	Philip G. K. Davies .. 5
Sidney Hough .. .. 2	Neil D. Lomas .. .. 6
Alan Sharples .. .. 3	Derek A. Ashton .. .. 7
Giles B. Thompson .. .. 4	John Robinson .. .. Tenor

Composed by Charles J. Sedgley.

Conducted by Derek A. Ashton.

## THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

BROADCLYST, Devon.—At the Church of St. John.

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt.

Michael J. Thomas .. Treble	David J. Forder .. .. 5
Ann E. Fellows .. .. 2	Norman Mallett .. .. 6
Robert C. Kippin .. .. 3	Frank D. Mack .. .. 7
Alan Tubb .. .. 4	Brian Bladon .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. Sedgley.

Conducted by Robert C. Kippin.

## THE DURHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.

BRANCEPETH, Co. Durham.—At the Church of St. Brandon.

On Sun., Oct. 25, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb.

*Pauline Kyme (Mary's) Treble	†Janet Somervaille (Aidan's) 5
Christine M. Saville	John O. Freemag (Grey) 6
(Neville's) 2	William G. Wilson (Chad's) 7
Bryan Redges (John's) 3	David J. Marshall (Bede's) Tenor

Composed by G. H. Cross.

Conducted by David J. Marshall.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal.

A birthday compliment to C. Maud Saville, and as a welcome back to Durham to Bryan Patisson.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

KIRBY-LE-SOKEN, Essex.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb.

Walter Ayre .. Treble	Maurice Downs .. .. 5
Edward E. Davey .. .. 2	*Walter R. Felgate .. .. 6
Alan R. Andrews .. .. 3	Walter Ruffles .. .. 7
Leslie G. Brett .. .. 4	William J. Button .. .. Tenor

Composed by F. A. Holden.

Conducted by Walter Ayre.

\* First peal of Double Norwich.



**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
**STRATTON ST. MARGARET, Wiltshire.**—At the Church of  
 St. Margaret-of-Antioch.

*On Fri., Oct. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 THORVERTON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 8 cwt, 1 qr. 17 lb.

Brian Bladon .. .. Treble	*Cyril A. Wratten .. .. 5
D. Kay Adkins .. .. 2	Victor Griffin .. .. 6
Erle Sutton .. .. 3	Gordon W. Land .. .. 7
E. William Ford .. .. 4	Anthony R. Peake .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by Anthony R. Peake.  
 \* 100th peal of Surprise. The first peal in the method.

**NORTH CERNEY, Gloucestershire.**—At the Church of All Saints.

*On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Containing 73 methods in the following seven extents: (1) Barham, Oswald, Kentish, Berkeley, Pembroke, Edinburgh, Beeston, Melandra, Leasowe and Peveril Delight, Mendip, Waterford and Berwyn T.B., (2) Combermere, Vale Royal, St. Werburgh, Crowland, Canterbury and Abbeyville Delight, (3) Nelson T.B., Knutsford, Rostherne, Bogedone, Wilmslow, Skipton, Chepstow, Fotheringay, Balmoral and Ely Delight, Bourne and Hull Surprise, (4) Cambridge, Beverley, Surfleet, Primrose, Berwick and Hexham Surprise, Burslem and Waltham Delight, (5) Lightfoot, Stamford, Rosserdale, Wearmouth, Annable's London and Netherseale Surprise, (6) Old Oxford, College Bob IV, Willesden, Newdigate, Neasden, St. Albans, Wragby, Charlwood, Humber, Braintree, Marple, Taxal, Clarence and Elston Delight, Morning Star T.B., (7) Sandal, London Scholars', Kingston, Capel, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury, Ockley and Oxford T.B., Wath, Pontefract, Carisbrooke and Donottar Delight, with 151 changes of method and a plain lead of each included. Tenor 5½ cwt.

Anthony D. Sansom .. Treble	†Gordon W. Land .. .. 4
*Edward R. Venn .. .. 2	Anthony R. Peake .. .. 5
*John R. Mayne .. .. 3	Brian Bladon .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Anthony R. Peake.

\* Most methods to a peal. † Most methods on tower bells. The greatest number of Treble Bob methods to a peal by all the band, in the county and for the Association. This peal contains the greatest number of regular Treble Bob methods that it is possible to splice into seven extents.

**HATHEROP, Gloucestershire.**—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

*On Tues., Oct. 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

Being one extent each of Cambridge, Beverley, Surfleet, London, Wells, York and Durham. Tenor 7½ cwt.

Christopher C. Clarke .. Treble	Anthony R. Peake .. .. 4
Gordon W. Land .. .. 2	Brian Bladon .. .. 5
Bruce Wakefield .. .. 3	Edward R. Venn .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Edward R. Venn.

A wedding compliment to Edward Cribley and Jackie Houghton, of Minchinhampton, Gloucestershire.

**THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**FARNBOROUGH, Hampshire.**—At the Church of St. Peter.

*On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR**

Consisting of 14 methods in the following seven extents: (1) Alnwick and Newcastle, (2) London and Wells, (3) Lightfoot and Wearmouth, (4) Westminster and Allendale, (5) York and Durham, (6) Beverley and Surfleet, (7) Cambridge and Ipswich. Tenor 6½ cwt.

G. Sidney Joyce .. .. Treble	W. John Couperthwaite .. 4
Peter J. Joyce .. .. 2	V. Michael Cox .. .. 5
Charles H. Kippin .. .. 3	Robert C. Kippin .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Robert C. Kippin.

First peal of Spliced Surprise Minor in 14 methods by all the band, on the bells and for the Guild, and believed to be the greatest number of Surprise Minor methods rung to a peal by a local band in its own tower in the South of England. Last peal on the bells before augmentation.

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

**ROCHESTER, Kent.**—At the Cathedral Church of Christ and the Blessed Virgin Mary.

*On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 30 cwt, 14 lb, in D.

Cyril S. Jarrett .. .. Treble	David T. Darby .. .. 6
Robert W. Hinde .. .. 2	Christopher T. Osenton .. 7
Hilary F. Martin .. .. 3	Bernard F. L. Groves .. 8
R. Jaries Cook .. .. 4	Martin L. Howe .. .. 9
Andrew N. Stubbs .. .. 5	Frank E. Darby .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Frank E. Darby.

**THORVERTON SURPRISE MAJOR:**

x 38 x 4 x 58 x 36 x 12 x 123 x 16 x 7. B.

**AYLESFORD, Kent.**—At the Church of St. Peter.  
*On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5184 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt, 2 qr. 7 lb, in F.

David S. Osenton .. .. Treble	Cyril S. Jarrett .. .. 5
*Hilary A. Swallow .. .. 2	†Christopher T. Osenton .. 6
*Alexander Waddington .. 3	Bernard F. L. Groves .. 7
*Edwin G. Jenner .. .. 4	†Martin L. Howe .. .. Tenor

Composed by Ian M. Holland. Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.  
 \* First peal in the method. † 50th peal together.  
 Rung in memoriam Sir Garrard Tyrwhitt Drake, of Cobtree Manor, Maidstone, Kent.

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

**DALTON-IN-FURNESS, Lancashire.**—At the Church of St. Mary.

*On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

Tenor 21½ cwt.

Jeffrey T. Turner .. .. Treble	Alan Capstick .. .. 6
W. Thomas Turner .. .. 2	Harold Wilson .. .. 7
James E. Burles .. .. 3	William Wall .. .. 8
James E. Dickinson .. .. 4	*Thomas F. Metcalfe .. .. 9
*Nicholas M. Newby, jun. 5	Raymond Stuart .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. Arniger Trollope. Conducted by William Wall.  
 \* First of Royal in the method.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. Alan Bagnall (son of a local ringer) and Miss Maureen June Fell, married at St. James' Church, Barrow, this day. Also as a farewell compliment to Mr. A. Heald Wood, a ringer, who has taken up a new post at Winslow, Bucks.

**BOLTON, Lancashire.**—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

*On Wed., Oct. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES**

*David Vincent .. .. Treble	Joseph Thornley .. .. 5
Margaret E. Fort .. .. 2	Thomas W. Smith .. .. 6
*Charles Brownlow .. .. 3	John Ashcroft .. .. 7
Frederick W. Brownlow 4	*John F. Woods .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. Hubbard. Conducted by John Ashcroft.  
 \* First peal in the method.

Rung to celebrate the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Parkinson. Tenor 17 cwt, 1 qr. 14 lb

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**COLE ORTON, Leicestershire.**—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

*On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 12½ cwt.

James A. Lord .. .. Treble	Arthur E. Rowley .. .. 5
Wilfred Lord .. .. 2	Richard Clifton .. .. 6
Colin Lord .. .. 3	Joseph W. Cotton .. .. 7
John Rawson .. .. 4	Roland Beniston .. .. Tenor

Arranged by Geoff Davies. Conducted by Roland Beniston.

**PRESTWOLD, Leicestershire.**—At the Church of St. Andrew.

*On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5152 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt, 3 qr. 18 lb, in F sharp.

Malcolm D. Barsby .. Treble	Roland H. Cook .. .. 5
Beryl E. Cawser .. .. 2	E. Alan Jacques .. .. 6
W. Ernest Rawson .. .. 3	Russell S. Morris .. .. 7
*J. Edward Cawser .. .. 4	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. Worsley. Conducted by J. Edward Cawser.  
 \* 50th peal of London Surprise Major.

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**LINCOLN.**—In St. Hugh's Tower at the Cathedral Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

*On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES**

Tenor 23 cwt, 3 qr. 23 lb, in D.

Peter A. Sharp .. .. Treble	Harold F. Gibson .. .. 7
Joyce M. Gurnhill .. .. 2	Walter Tomlinson .. .. 8
Norah M. Randles .. .. 3	George H. Randles .. .. 9
Margaret A. Parker .. .. 4	John Walden .. .. 10
Jack L. Millhouse .. .. 5	George E. Feirn .. .. 11
H. Leslie Pask .. .. 6	Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. Tenor

Composed by D. E. Parsons (No. 5). Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

Rung as a compliment to the Rt. Rev. David Colin Dunlop, Bp., upon his retirement as Dean of this Cathedral and President of this Guild.

**THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

**BLAENAVON, Monmouthshire.**—At the Church of St. Peter.

*On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES**

Tenor 9 cwt, 1 qr. in A flat.

H. Hubbard .. .. Treble	Donald G. Clarke .. .. 5
*Gillian A. Thomas .. .. 2	James L. Fitzgerald .. .. 6
Kenynd D. Walters .. .. 3	David Pike .. .. 7
†John F. James .. .. 4	*Gordon Wilkinson .. .. Tenor
†Philip Mason .. .. 5	

Conducted by David Pike.

\* First peal attempt. † First of Triples in method. First of Triples as conductor.  
 Rung on the eve of All Saints' Day.



**THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
KINGSLEY, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Werburgh.  
On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven extents in seven methods, viz.: Northumberland, Newcastle, Carlisle, Chester, York, Durham, Cambridge, Tenor 12 cwt.  
Paul J. Atkins .. .. Treble .. Dennis Latham .. .. 4  
Norman Sherratt .. .. 2 .. Walter Sherratt .. .. 5  
Harold Dowler .. .. 3 .. Roy Worrall .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Norman Sherratt.

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
RANWORTH, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Helen.  
On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent each of Double Court, Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, Oxford T.B., St. Clement's, Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.  
Tenor 12½ cwt.

John R. Smith .. .. Treble .. Derek W. Pardon .. .. 4  
Roy E. Cullington .. .. 2 .. Frank C. J. Arnold .. .. 5  
Wilfred G. Saunders .. .. 3 .. C. Frank W. Philippo .. Tenor

Conducted by C. Frank W. Philippo.

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
READING, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Laurence.  
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5189 ERIN CINQUES**

Tenor 23 cwt. 20 lb. in D.

\*Patricia Rogers .. .. Treble .. \*Peter Wilkinson .. .. 7  
\*Felicity Webber .. .. 2 .. \*Peter J. Shipton .. .. 8  
Hadley Hunter .. .. 3 .. Harold W. Rogers .. .. 9  
\*Jane Foster .. .. 4 .. Nicholas J. Martin .. .. 10  
Olive L. Rogers .. .. 5 .. Christopher H. Rogers .. 11  
\*Mary E. Marshall .. .. 6 .. Vincent Cherrill .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Hadley Hunter.

\* First peal on 12 bells. First peal on 12 as conductor. First peal of Erin Cinques for all the band and the Guild.  
Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the fifth.

**KIDLINGTON, Oxfordshire.**—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.  
On Fri., Oct. 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 23½ cwt.  
\*Shirley Brown .. .. Treble .. Bruce Wakefield .. .. 5  
Walter F. Judge .. .. 2 .. Denis Leslie .. .. 6  
Norman Leslie .. .. 3 .. Francis A. White .. .. 7  
M. Roger Ashmore .. .. 4 .. John E. Thorp .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Walter F. Judge.

\* First peal.

**KIRTLINGTON, Oxfordshire.**—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.  
On Sun., Oct. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5152 ISLIP SURPRISE MAJOR**

Anthony D. Sansom .. .. Treble .. Anthony R. Peake .. .. 5  
Jennifer M. Cook .. .. 2 .. Brian Bladon .. .. 6  
Edward R. Venn .. .. 3 .. Gordon W. Land .. .. 7  
Bruce Wakefield .. .. 4 .. Robert C. Kippin .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by Robert C. Kippin.

The first peal in the method. Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in E.

**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**FINEDON, Northants.**—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in D.  
Eric J. Chapman .. .. Treble .. \*Edward C. Buckby .. .. 5  
Charles Richardson .. .. 2 .. Denis G. Pearson .. .. 6  
\*John G. Mitchell .. .. 3 .. Murray A. Coleman .. .. 7  
\*Richard J. Cowley .. .. 4 .. †John Worley .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Murray A. Coleman.

\* First peal of Triples. † First peal.

**TOWCESTER, Northants.**—At the Church of St. Lawrence.

On Thurs., Oct. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents, viz.: (1) Double Oxford, (2) Single Oxford, (3) Oxford T.B., (4) Kent T.B., (5) Cambridge Surprise, (6) St. Clement's, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 16 cwt.

Stanley Ruddlesden .. .. Treble .. Kenneth D. Perkins .. .. 4  
Roger W. Smith .. .. 2 .. Alan A. Paul .. .. 5  
\*Shirley Ruddlesden .. .. 3 .. Barrie Hendry .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Barrie Hendry.

\* First of seven methods 'inside.'

**ISLIP SURPRISE MAJOR:**

x 34 x 456 x 58 x 16 x 12 x 3. 56.14.56.7. C.

**DEENE, Northants.**—At the Church of St. Peter.  
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in 11 methods: (1) Double Bob and Fulbeck, (2) Cambridge, (3) Kent and Oxford, (4) Single Oxford and Plain Bob, (5) Double Oxford and Thelwall, (6) St. Clement's and Childwall, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 10½ cwt.

Vanessa C. A. Rodrigues Treble .. Frank Taylor .. .. 4  
Gerald W. Reynolds .. .. 2 .. Keith R. Davey .. .. 5  
Alan G. Payne .. .. 3 .. J. Martin Thorley .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.**  
YARDLEY, Birmingham.—At the Church of St. Edburgh.

On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5184 ASHTEAD SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt.

Robert E. Hardy .. .. Treble .. Maurice Ingram .. .. 5  
Alan Burbidge .. .. 2 .. Geoffrey Davies .. .. 6  
William J. V. Conduct .. .. 3 .. David J. Ingram .. .. 7  
Richard C. Ingram .. .. 4 .. David J. Purnell .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Geoffrey Davies.

First peal in the method by all the band.

In memoriam Charles Dale.

**THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**

MELKSHAM, Wiltshire.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

**A PEAL OF 5088 GLASGOW SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 18½ cwt. in E.

Cliff Richards .. .. Treble .. James R. Taylor .. .. 5  
Jennifer M. Taylor .. .. 2 .. D. John Hunt .. .. 6  
Patricia Diserens .. .. 3 .. Ronald F. Diserens .. .. 7  
John N. Diserens .. .. 4 .. Noel J. Diserens .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. Eric Critchley.

Conducted by Noel J. Diserens.

**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**KIRKBY-IN-ASHFIELD, Notts.**—At the Church of St. Wilfrid.

On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5160 DOUBLES**

Being 43 extents in 42 methods viz.: St. Simon, St. Alban, Cassington, Eynsham, Somerville, Elford, St. Jude, St. Martin, St. Paul, St. Peter, St. Leonard, Magdalen, Austrey, St. Lawrence, St. Giles, St. Nicholas, St. Thomas, Lapley, Nuffield, Shareshill, St. Mary, St. Miles, Winchendon Place, St. Luke, St. John, Wadham, Ryton, St. Crispin, Southrepps Pleasure, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Columba, Clifford's Pleasure, Campion, Little Aston, St. David, Plain Bob, Kennington, Old, April Day, Hudibras, Litchurch. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 lb. in A.  
\*George Allcock .. .. Treble .. Thelma E. Staples .. .. 3  
†Elizabeth J. Foster .. .. 2 .. John A. Harrison .. .. 4

E. Andrew Harrison .. Tenor

Conducted by E. Andrew Harrison.

\* First peal. † First of Doubles.

Rung for All Saints' Day.

**NORTH MUSKHAM, Notts.**—At the Church of St. Wilfrid.

On Fri., Oct. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being six extents each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Southrepps, Clifford's Pleasure, Plain Bob, Kennington, April Day, and three each of Grandsire and All Saints'. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb. in F sharp.  
Harold Stevenson .. .. Treble .. William L. Exton .. .. 4  
Margaret E. Chilton .. .. 2 .. Maurice W. Harrison .. .. 5  
\*David D. Parsons .. .. 3 .. Charles J. Copp .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Maurice W. Harrison.

\* First in eight methods.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Copp, on the anniversary of their wedding; also congratulations to William E. Scott and Madeline Draper, who were married at Hucknall, on October 27th.

**THE SUFFOLK GUILD.**

**GRUNDISBURGH, Suffolk.**—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Tues., Oct. 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 8 cwt. 23 lb.

Cecil W. Pipe .. .. Treble .. Sylvia R. E. Pipe .. .. 5  
Clifford R. Lovett .. .. 2 .. Andrew T. Beckwith .. .. 6  
\*James Bennett .. .. 3 .. George E. Pipe .. .. 7  
Neville F. Whittell .. .. 4 .. Ernest G. Pearce .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by Sylvia R. E. Pipe.

\* 1.300th peal.

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## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

DEBENHAM, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Fri., Oct. 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 21 cwt, 1 qr. 20 lb. in E flat.

Robert E. Lester .. .. Treble	Howard W. Egglestone .. 5
Alice E. J. Lester .. .. 2	Leslie G. Brett .. .. 6
*Neville F. Whittell .. 3	Cecil W. Pipe .. .. 7
*Harold Leather .. .. 4	George W. Pipe .. .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivin. Conducted by Howard W. Egglestone.

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

FRAMSDEN, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Fri., Oct. 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

Harold Leather .. .. Treble	Andrew T. Beckwith .. 5
*Robert E. Lester .. .. 2	Leslie G. Brett .. .. 6
*Alice E. J. Lester .. 3	*Leonard E. Last .. .. 7
Neville F. Whittell .. 4	Howard W. Egglestone .. Tenor

Composed by Charles J. Sedgley. Conducted by Howard W. Egglestone.

\* First peal in the method. † 50th peal together.

GREAT FINBOROUGH, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Fri., Oct. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being an extent each of Double Court, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Double Oxford, Kent T.B., St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

Arthur F. Balaam .. .. Treble	John Underwood .. .. 4
*Mrs. Winifred Iving .. 2	Robin Rogers .. .. 5
Richard Rose .. .. 3	Maurice J. Rose .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Maurice J. Rose.

\* First in seven methods. First in seven methods as conductor. Rung as a silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Iving, of Euston.

## THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

CADOXTON-JUXTA-NEATH, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Catwg.

On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in B.

Raymond Hoskin .. .. Treble	J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 4
*Patricia A. Jenkins .. 2	Gwyn I. Lewis .. .. 5
Penelope J. Welch .. 3	Brian J. Woodruffe .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

\* First peal away from treble.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

SOUTHAMPTON, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

Tenor 21½ cwt. in E flat.

Maurice J. Butler .. .. Treble	Frank W. Lewis .. .. 6
John R. Faithful .. .. 2	Reginald F. Crook .. .. 7
Reginald W. Rex .. .. 3	Michael J. Thomas .. 8
*Eunice A. Lewis .. .. 4	Arthur Sayers .. .. 9
Brian J. Luff .. .. 5	Geoffrey K. Dodd .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. J. Tucker.

\* First peal on ten bells.

BARTON STACEY, Hampshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Mon., Oct. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents. Tenor 7 cwt. 12 lb. in A flat.

Frank R. Tonge .. .. Treble	*Christopher H. Smith .. 4
Bradley Murdock .. .. 2	Geoffrey K. Dodd .. .. 5
Philip Murdock .. .. 3	Reginald F. Crook .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Reginald F. Crook.

\* First peal of Minor.

RINGWOOD, Hampshire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Wed., Oct. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 18½ cwt.

Mrs. F. J. Marshallay .. Treble	Ronald N. Marlow .. 5
Lewis F. Cobb .. .. 2	*William T. Perrins .. 6
*Paul T. King .. .. 3	William E. Cheater .. 7
†David Wilson .. .. 4	John Hartless .. .. Tenor

Conducted by William T. Perrins.

\* First peal. † First of Grandsire Triples. First as conductor.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

PERSHORE, Worcestershire.—At the Abbey Church of the Holy Cross.

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 28 cwt.

Peter D. Warren .. .. Treble	John Weaver .. .. 5
James Attwood, jun. .. 2	Arthur C. Berry .. .. 6
John A. Whittall .. .. 3	Jeffrey J. Fox .. .. 7
Ian Lloyd .. .. 4	C. Barrie Dove .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. Carter.

Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.

STRENSHAM, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sun., Oct. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 11 cwt. 8 lb. in G.

*Penny L. Howell .. .. Treble	Arthur C. Berry .. .. 4
†Gillian A. Richards .. 2	Jeffrey Brannon .. .. 5
Raymond J. Adams .. 3	C. Barrie Dove .. .. Tenor

Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.

\* First peal. † First 'inside.'

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

LEEDS, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Matthew, Chapel Allerton.

On Wed., July 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In 11 methods, being two extents of Reverse St. Bartholomew, four extents each of Winchendon Place, St. Nicholas, St. Martin's, St. Simon's, Reverse Canterbury, Kennington, Southrepps, Grandsire, April Day and Plain Bob. Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in B flat.

Catherine R. Slater .. .. Treble	C. Barrie Dove .. .. 3
Dinah M. Blow .. .. 2	John Weaver .. .. 4

Robin Brown .. .. Tenor

Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.

BRADFELD, Yorks.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In 19 methods viz.:—120 Candlesby S.C., 120 St. Nicholas, 120 St. Giles, 240 Winchendon Place, 120 St. Miles, 240 St. Simon, 120 St. Albans, 480 St. Martin, 120 St. Paul, 360 Grandsire, 240 Reverse St. Bartholomew, 360 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, 240 Clifford's Pleasure, 240 Southrepps Pleasure, 240 St. Columb, 720 Plain Bob, 360 April Day, 360 Kennington, 120 Old Bob and 120 Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb. in F sharp.

*Ian Johnson .. .. Treble	M. Alec Beaumont .. .. 4
†Edwin P. King .. .. 2	Michael King .. .. 5
Andrew King .. .. 3	*Philip S. Wood (14 yrs.) .. Tenor

Conducted by Michael King.

\* First peal. † First in 19 Doubles.

Believed to be the first of Doubles on the bells.

## ALSO THE BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

MARKET WEIGHTON, Yorks.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven methods—(1) London, (2) Surfleet, (3) Beverley, (4) Cambridge, (5) Oxford T.B., (6) St. Clement's, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lb. in A flat.

Ronald Ducker .. .. Treble	Rev. Frederick Ross .. 4
*Graham K. Smith .. .. 2	David S. Johnson .. .. 5
†Howard C. Palmer .. 3	†Richard D. Gibson .. Tenor

Conducted by Richard D. Gibson.

\* First peal of Minor. † First in seven methods.

Rung to welcome the Rev. Frederick Ross to the Beverley and District Society.

HUNTINGTON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sun., Nov. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 ALL SAINTS' DOUBLES**

Being 42 extents (four callings). Tenor 5 cwt. 17 lb. in B flat.

Jennifer Pearce .. .. Treble	David Pearson .. .. 3
Christopher J. Groom .. 2	Susan E. Thompson .. 4

A. Colin Banton .. .. Tenor

Conducted by A. Colin Banton.

First peal of Doubles for all the band. First peal as conductor. First peal by a local band.

Rung prior to Evensong on the Patronal Festival.

## HANDBELL PEALS

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

STRATTON ST. MARGARET, Wiltshire.—At 33, Bridge End Road.

On Tues., Oct. 20, 1964, in 1 Hour and 56 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MINOR**

Consisting of 80 methods in the following seven spliced extents: (1) Alford, Langton, Frampton, Butterwick, Tattershall, Freiston, Benington, Candlesby, Saltwood, Burmarsh, Penhill, Walcot, Sutton, Denton, Chelford, Poynton, Alderbourne and Witcombe Special Alliance, Bastow Little Court, (2) College, Wavertree, Pinehurst, Buxton, St. Clement's, Childwall, London Bob, Lytham, Westlecott, Double Oxford, Thelwall and Rodbourne, (3) Fulbeck, Canterbury Pleasure, Reverse Bob, Double Bob and Plain Bob, (4) Nelson T.B., Ely, Knutsford, Rostherne, Bogedone, Wilmslow, Skipton, Chepstow, Fotheringay and Balmoral Delight, Hull and Bourne Surprise, (5) Neasden, St. Albans, Wragby, Charlwood, Old Oxford, College Bob IV, Willesden, Newdigate, Brantree, Humber, Marple, Taxal, Clarence and Elston Delight, Morning Star T.B., (6) Oxford, Sandal, London Scholars, Kingston, Capel, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury and Ockley T.B., Carisbrooke, Donattar, Wath and Pontefract Delight, (7) Cambridge, Hull, Bourne, Norfolk, Ipswich, and Primrose Surprise, with 195 changes of method and a plain lead of each included. Tenor size 15 in C.

\*Gordon W. Land .. 1—2 | †Brian Bladon .. .. 3—4

†Anthony R. Peake (cond.) 5—6

\* First in 80 methods. † 175th peal together.

Greatest number of methods to a handbell peal by all the band, in the county and for the Association.



**THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.**  
CAMBRIDGE.—At H.19, New Court, St. John's College.  
*On Sun., Nov. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 17 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 11 in G.  
\*F. C. Hobson (St. John's) 1—2 | K. J. Darvill (St. Cath's) 5—6  
\*S. P. Darvill (Downing) 3—4 | \*G. H. Jones (St. John's) 7—8  
Composed by E. Maurice Atkins. Conducted by Kenneth J. Darvill.  
\* First peal 'in hand.' First 'in hand' as conductor.  
Rung on the 18th anniversary of the non-conducted and silent peal on handbells by the Cambridge University Guild, using the same composition.

**THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
BUSHEY, Hertfordshire.—At 5, Moat Close.  
*On Wed., Oct. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 14 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In ten methods, being 960 Rutland, 640 each of Bristol, London, Watford and Wembley, and 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire with 139 changes of method.  
Tenor size 13 in E.  
S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. 1—2 | Roger Baldwin .. 5—6  
John R. Mayne .. 3—4 | \*Gerald Penney .. 7—8  
Composed by Stephen Ivin. Conducted by Roger Baldwin.  
\* First peal of ten-spiced.

**NORTH MYMMS, Hertfordshire.**—At 57, Holloways Lane.  
*On Mon., Oct. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 3 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 15 in C.  
Gerald Penney .. 1—2 | \*Thomas J. Lock .. 5—6  
Julia A. Fellows .. 3—4 | Roger D. R. Brown .. 7—8  
Composed by Tom Chapman. Conducted by Gerald Penney.  
\* 850th peal.

**BUSHEY, Hertfordshire.**—At 5, Moat Close.  
*On Tues., Oct. 27, 1964, in 1 Hour and 59 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven extents, with 5-6 the right way throughout  
Tenor size 13 in E.  
S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. 1—2 | John R. Mayne (cond.) 3—4  
\*Gerald Penney .. 5—6  
\* First peal of London on handbells.

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

LEICESTER.—At 'The Wayside,' 150, Narborough Road, South.  
*On Tues., Oct. 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 11 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Being nine methods, viz.: 1,280 changes of London and Cambridge, 960 of Rutland, 320 each of Cray, Bristol, Wembley and New Gloucester, 160 of Superlative and Yorkshire with 140 changes of method.  
Tenor size 15 in C.  
John A. Acres .. 1—2 | John M. Jelley .. 5—6  
Peter J. Staniforth .. 3—4 | Alfred Ballard .. 7—8  
Composed by A. J. Pitman. Conducted by Peter J. Staniforth.  
First peal in nine spiced on handbells by all the band and for the Guild.

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

TATTERSHALL, Lincolnshire.  
*On Fri., Oct. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5079 STEDMAN CATERS**  
Tenor size 18 in G.  
Mrs. F. J. Hairs .. 1—2 | A. Robin Heppenstall .. 5—6  
John Freeman .. 3—4 | Harry Poyner .. 7—8  
Frank I. Hairs .. 9—10  
Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by John Freeman.

**THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

Both rung at SWANSEA, Glamorgan.—At Mor-Awelon, Lon Derw. Tycoch.  
*On Thurs., Oct. 15, 1964, in 1 Hour and 49 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**  
In eight methods: (1) Reverse Plain Bob, (2) College Bob, (3) St. Clement's College Bob, (4) Childwall College Bob, (5) Buxton College Bob, (6) Double Plain Bob and Fulbeck Bob, (7) Plain Bob, with 29 changes of method.  
Tenor size 14 in D.  
Hazel Way .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe .. 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. 5—6  
Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

*On Fri., Oct. 16, 1964, in 1 Hour and 53 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 WESTLECOT BOB MINOR**  
Seven different extents.  
Tenor size 14 in D.  
Hazel Way .. 1—2 | Brian J. Woodruffe .. 3—4  
J. Arthur Hoare .. 5—6  
Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.  
First peal in the method.

WESTLECOT BOB MINOR: x 14 x 1236 x 56. l.h.=16-64523.

## QUARTER PEALS

**GREAT AMWELL, HERTS.**—On October 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Carole Francis (first quarter) 1, Gloria J. Simpson (first 'inside') 2, Pamela A. Mills (first quarter) 3, M. A. Gilbey 4, M. V. White (cond.) 5, Anne M. Luxon 6. Rung by Edmonton County Grammar School Guild as a 17th birthday compliment to Carole Francis.

**GREENWICH, KENT.**—At St. Alfege's on Oct. 31st, 1,287 Stedman Caters: Miss K. Guy 1, A. M. Mcvee 2, S. Dobson 3, G. Clarke 4, Miss F. Cannon 5, J. Dafters 6, D. P. Smith 7, J. W. Smith 8, P. W. Cave (cond.) 9, P. J. Spice 10. Rung on the 10th anniversary of the rededication of the bells.

**GRIMLEY, WORCS.**—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Penny L. Howell 1, Gillian A. Richards 2, R. J. Adams (first as cond.) 3, A. White 4, Bob Bayliss 5. For Harvest and to welcome the new Rector.

**HINTLESHAM, SUFFOLK.**—On Oct. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. J. Howes (first quarter) 1, R. E. Lester 2, Jill Harris 3, A. J. Munnings 4, N. F. Whittle 5, P. R. Harris (first as cond.) 6.

**HORSELL, SURREY.**—On Sept. 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Susan Aveyard (first of Minor) 1, C. Hill 2, P. J. Privett 3, G. Oliver 4, R. Collins 5, E. J. Wells (cond.) 6. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. G. Oliver on the birth of a son.

**HORTON, BUCKS.**—On October 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Foster 1, J. K. Ward 2, F. R. Scott 3, W. Birmingham 4, D. P. Hilling 5, G. R. Shedden (cond.) 6. A 21st birthday compliment to the conductor.

**KINGSTON SEYMOUR, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss N. Baker (first of Doubles) 1, Mrs. E. R. Norton 2, W. Neath 3, R. J. Luxton (cond.) 4, A. E. Harris 5, T. Baker 6. For All Saints' Day.

**KINGSWINGFORD, STAFFS.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: N. Whitehouse (first quarter) 1, A. E. Morgan 2, Dr. D. N. Layton 3, F. E. Jukes 4, C. F. Jukes (cond.) 5, R. A. Pearman 6. For Evensong and in honour of the appointment and installation of the Rev. T. F. Wooley as a Prebendary of Lichfield Cathedral.

**NORTHAMPTON.**—At the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, on July 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss G. M. Burman 1, Mrs. G. F. Roome 3, G. F. Roome 4, Miss J. A. Downing 5, T. Jennings 6, A. R. Jones (cond.) 7, L. Boyd 8. A tribute to the

Rev. C. P. H. Rowson, Vicar (1933-64) on his retirement. Also, on Oct. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss G. M. Burman 1, Mrs. G. F. Roome 2, F. Burgess 3, J. C. Rainbow 4, Miss J. A. Downing 5, T. Jennings 6, G. F. Roome (cond.) 7, L. Boyd 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Rev. G. P. H. Rowson.

**OLD WHITTINGTON, DERBYS.**—1,272 Treble Bob Minor (720 Killamarsh and 552 Iamington Oxford and Kent): J. Newman 1, Irene Lawrence 2, G. Newman 3, L. Gascoyne 4, S. Lawrence 5, C. J. Hughes (cond.) 6. Rung to mark Mr. Jasper Newman's 40th year as a ringer at this church.

**OXFORD.**—At the Church of St. Thomas the Martyr, on Oct. 18th, 1,440 York Surprise Minor: Margaret A. Muir 1, J. W. Thorp 2, G. R. Mordaunt 3, R. Wharton 4, R. M. Heyworth 5, B. Wakefield (cond.) 6.

**PATTISHALL, NORTHANTS.**—On Oct. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Hendry 1, M. R. Harvey 2, Shirley Ruddlesden 3, R. W. Smith 4, S. M. Ruddlesden 5, A. A. Paul (cond.) 6. Also on Oct. 20th, 1,440 Spiced Surprise Minor (9 methods): J. Linford 1, B. E. Saunders 2, R. W. Smith 3, A. A. Paul 4, C. E. Truman (cond.) 5, J. Linnell 6. Rung as a compliment to the Rector's mother on her 88th birthday.

**PEMBROKE.**—On Oct. 27th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): P. R. Huntbach 1, E. Lingard 2, Mrs. P. C. Rogers 3, Miss N. M. Rosen 4, P. C. Rogers (cond.) 5, Miss P. J. Elsdon (first quarter) 6. For the visit of the Queen Mother: Also the birth of a son to Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Thomas, St. Florence. Believed to be first quarter on the bells.

**PETERSFIELD, HANTS.**—On October 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: S. Lockyer (first quarter) 1, Jane Walker 2, Shelagh Rushforth 3, H. DeCombe 4, K. Sansom (cond.) 5, K. Tipper 6. For Evensong.

**PETHAM, KENT.**—On Oct. 11th, 1,260 Doubles (3 methods): P. J. Southon 1, D. L. Cawley 2, M. Ostler 3, F. C. W. Knight, C. W. J. Beeching (cond.) 5, B. A. Law (first quarter) 6. First in three methods 1, 2, 3, 5. For Harvest Festival.

**RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Minor (720 Kent) 540 (Plain Bob): A. J. House 1, W. Ward 2, E. J. Blower 3, F. C. May 4, M. J. Halletts 5, D. E. Belcham (cond.) 6. Rung for Evensong, and to welcome Angela, daughter of David and Dina Belcham.

**REDHILL, SURREY.**—On Sept. 17th, 1,792 Plain Bob Major: W. Parrott 1, D. Atfield (first 'inside') 2, K. Taber 3, W. Dunn 4, G. West 5, D. West 6, A. Streeter 7, F. E. Darby 8. A welcome to Alison Jane, daughter of Alan and Freda Streeter.

**SHALFORD, SURREY.**—On November 3rd, 1,250 Rutland Surprise Major: Jessie Kippin 1, Hilary Kippin 2, Patricia Laycock 3, Pamela Gough 4, F. W. Housden 5, Elizabeth Stevinson 6, C. H. Kippin 7, R. C. Kippin (cond.) 8. First in method for 3, 4 and 6.

**SMARTEN, KENT.**—On October 18th, at St. Michael's, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Violet Relf 1, Mary Marshall 2, Elizabeth Stewart 3, W. C. Marshall 4, G. Stewart (cond.) 6, M. W. Marshall 6. For Evensong.

**SWANAGE, DORSET.**—On Oct. 23rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. J. Fooks 1, Ruth A. Elmes (first of Minor) 2, Mary E. Elmes (first of Plain Bob Minor, 25th quarter) 3, M. J. Young 4, G. W. Elmes 5, R. G. W. Robertson (cond.) 6. Rung prior to the Swanage Grammar School commemoration service by past and present pupils, all members of Wareham tower.

**SUNBURY-ON-THAMES, MIDDY.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss C. E. Johnson 1, P. V. Cranham 2, Miss D. Gibbons 3, D. W. Struckett 4, A. M. Johnson (cond.) 5, D. Brock 6. For Harvest Festival.

**TONBRIDGE, KENT.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Heather Newman 1, Angela W. Burgess 2, Janet Luckhurst 3, Ann Jenner 4, V. J. Benning 5, W. Rogers 6, S. Jenner (cond.) 7, J. C. Carpenter 8. For Evensong.

**WESTMINSTER, LONDON.**—At St. Margaret's Church, on Oct. 4th, 1,299 Stedman Caters: C. Otley 1, R. Tingley 2, Mrs. Bagworth 3, G. Parsons 4, J. Marks 5, R. Sanders 6, N. Bagworth 7, A. Andrews 8, J. Euston (cond.) 9, E. Davey 10. Rung prior to the last annual civic service by the County of Middlesex.



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**COLERIDGE.**—On November 4th, 1964 at Tatworth Vicarage, Chard, Somerset, to Denise (née Pryer), wife of the Rev. Nicholas F. D. Coleridge, a daughter, Rosalind Mary. 5704

**JAMES.**—On November 4th, 1964, at 109, Queenston Drive, Pittsburgh 15235 Pa., U.S.A., to David and Margaret (née Ross) a son, Richard David. 5699

### ENGAGEMENT

**HINDE—MARTIN.**—The engagement is announced between Robert Hinde, of Christleton, Chester, and Chelsfield, Kent, and Hilary Martin, also of Chelsfield.

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

**FREDERICK R. SCOTT.**—As from today my address is 14, Grasmere Parade, Wexham Road, Slough, Bucks. Please note change of office telephone number which is now Slough 23851 extension 239. 5710

### TELEPHONE NUMBERS

**FOOT.**—John and Linda, Braunston 445.  
**BRAIN.**—John Brain's telephone number at work is now Bristol 25381, Extension 205.

### PERSONAL

'Judge none blessed before his death: for a man shall be known in his children.' (Ecclesiasticus xi. 26.)

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### MISCELLANEOUS

**DURHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.**—Would any Life Members wishing to come to the dinner on November 28th please contact the Secretary, Philip Durby, Bede College, Durham. Would any University Society wishing to send a representative to the dinner write to the Master—David Marshall, Bede College, Durham. 5692

**ST. MARY'S SWANSEA.**—To whom it may concern: All future communications in regard to this tower to be sent to Mr. Norman Jones, 6, Carlton Terrace, Swansea.—J. I. Williams, Chairman. 5693

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION—Cheltenham Branch.**—Today!—Meeting at Badgeworth (6), Friday, November 13th, from 7.15. All welcome.—John Homfray. 5703

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION—Peak District.**—Meeting Darley Dale, Saturday, November 14th, 3 p.m. Own tea arrangements.—Mrs. G. Richardson, Dis. Sec. 5690

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION—Liverpool Branch.**—Meeting November 14th, at St. Francis Xavier's Church, Ringing 3 p.m. followed by tea and meeting. Names to Mr. J. J. Fox, Rathbone Hall, North Mossley Hill Road, Liverpool 18. 5731

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### MEETINGS

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD—Chester Branch.**—Meeting, Handbridge, Saturday, November 14th, Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Teas at 1s. 6d. per head adults, 9d. children at the Autumn Market in the City Grammar School. Proceeds for new Church Hall.—R. C. H. Sibley, Hon. Sec. 5683

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chesterfield District.—Monthly ringing meeting at Old Whittington (6) on November 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, **without fail, please,** to Mr. J. Newman, 54, Brearley Avenue, New Whittington, Chesterfield. (Phone Chesterfield 5416.)—Malcolm Phipps, Sec. 5677

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Cambridge District.—Meeting, Saturday, November 14th. Little Shelford bells (6), 3-5 p.m. Service at Little Shelford 5 p.m. Tea 5.45 p.m., Stapleford. Further ringing at Stapleford (6) 7 p.m.—B. D. Threlfall, Dis. Sec. 5672

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION—Northern District.**—Meeting at Finchingfield, Saturday, November 14th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. F. Roper, Crest Lodge, Spains Hall, Finchingfield. 5635

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION (S.W. District) and MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION (N. and E. District).**—Joint meeting at Walthamstow St. Mary's on November 14th. Bells (10) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. St. Saviour's (8) available from 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to D. Hewitt, 13, Malta Road, Leyton, E.10. 5640

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Farnham District.—Nomination meeting at Aldershot (8) on November 14th at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15 p.m. Names for tea to Miss N. Bragg, 20, Church Hill, Aldershot, Hants. D. P. Elsmore. 5617

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION—Maidstone District.**—Meeting at Snodland, Saturday, November 14th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea please to Mr. P. Carter, The Ringers, West Malling, Kent.—M. L. Howe, Dis. Sec. 5657

**LADIES' GUILD—Kent Branch.**—Practice meeting at Tunstall, November 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. All ringers welcome. Names for tea, please, to Mr. T. Barton, 100, Park Drive, Sittingbourne, Kent. 5644

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION—Rochdale Branch.**—Please note new arrangements.—Meeting on Sat., Nov. 14th, at St. Mark's, Glodwick, Oldham. Bells (8) 3 to 5 p.m. and St. Thomas', Moorside, Oldham, bells (8) from 6.30 p.m. Own tea arrangements.—J. P. Partington 5701

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Annual dinner, November 14th. Ringing arrangements: Leicester St. Margaret's, 3 to 4 p.m.; Leicester All Saints', 4 to 5 p.m. 5733

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION—Southern Branch.**—Practice meeting, Forncett St. Peter, Saturday, November 14th. Bells (5) 6.30 to 9 p.m.—C.F.W.P. Branch Sec. 5668

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.**—Practice at Hughenden, Saturday, November 14th. Ringing 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names, please. You are also invited to our 3rd annual dinner and dance at the Thames Hotel, Windsor, on Saturday, November 28th. Tickets £1 1s.—Miss Hague, 6, Stompits Road, Holyport, Maidenhead. 5649

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Reading Branch.—Autumn meeting will be held at Tilehurst on Saturday, November 14th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Numbers for tea to Mr. W. Marsh, 43, Blundell's Lane, Tilehurst, Reading. 5681

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD—South Oxon Branch.**—Quarterly meeting, Thame, Saturday, November 14th. Bells 3 p.m., service 4 p.m. Names for tea to R. Arnott, 103, High Street, Thame, Oxon.

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD—Bingham District.**—Meeting, Whatton, November 14th. Bells 3 p.m., service 4.30, tea 5. Names for tea to W. L. Exton, St. Ouen's, Whatton.—R. Blackshaw, Dis. Sec. 5655

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—Quarterly meeting at Lymminster (6) on Saturday, November 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Please notify for tea R. Wake, 28, Keynor Estate, Siddlesham, Chichester. 5682

**SUFFOLK GUILD—North West District.**—Practice meeting at Great Barton (6) Saturday, November 14th. Bells 6.30 p.m. to 9 p.m.—A. F. Ballam, Dis. Sec. 5679

**DORCHESTER, DORSET**—St. Peter's Society of Change Ringers—Ringers' Sunday, November 15th. Holy Communion 8 a.m., Morning Prayer 11 a.m., Ringing 7.30 a.m. and 10.15 a.m. Dedication of new peal board following Morning Prayer. Tower open to visiting ringers and public 2.30-5 p.m. All ringers most welcome. 5665

**LADIES GUILD—Western District.**—Practice Farmborough (6), Monday, Nov. 16th, 7.30-9 p.m.—M. de Jong. 5709

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION**—Chew Deanery Branch.—Practice meeting at Easton-in-Gordano Saturday, November 21st. Bells (6) available 5 p.m.—D. G. Yeo, Hon. Branch Secretary. 5723

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Wirral Branch.—Wallasey St. Nicholas', November 21st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea free for those notifying, by Wednesday previous, Alexander J. Martin, 28, Glenmore Road, Oxtion, Birkenhead. 5734

**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD—Coventry District.**—Meeting at Allesley on Saturday, November 21st. Bells (8) 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m., tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday, November 18th, to Callow, 36, Torbay Road, Coventry. 5698

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Derby District.—Joint meeting with South Derby. and North Leics. Association at Aston-on-Trent (6), November 21st, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Cups of tea only available, 5 p.m.—M. A. Willis, Dis. Sec. 5711

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION—Western District.**—Lumley Castle follow-up on Saturday, November 21st. Two classes only, beginners and advanced. **Beginners' course:** Lanchester 2.30-4.30 p.m. All stages up to a plain course of Bob Minor, Organiser, H. P. Thompson, 3, Hallgarth Terrace, Lanchester. **Advanced course:** Consett 6.30-8.30 p.m. Following methods only: Stedman Triples, Kent Major, Double Norwich, Cambridge and Yorkshire Major. Organiser, W. Tyson, 1, Seymour Street, Consett. Own tea arrangements. Names not essential, but notice of attendance appreciated. 5730

**ELY ASSOCIATION—Wisbech Branch.**—Meeting Magdalen, Saturday, November 21st. Bells (6) 2.30; service 4.30; tea 5.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 5726

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD—Chertsey District.**—Nomination meeting at Chobham on Saturday, November 21st. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m., tea in the Church Hall at 5 p.m. approx. Names for tea by previous Wednesday please, to: Mrs. K. Collins, The Mount Cottage, Mimbidge, Chobham, Woking. 5671



## GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL SPECIAL NOTICE FOR TEN- BELL RINGERS

Wotton Branch: — Meeting at Berkeley (10), Saturday, November 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to P. Mills, 23, Church Street, Wotton-under-Edge. 5697

**HEREFORD DIOCEAN GUILD** — Ross District.—Quarterly meeting at Much Marcle (6) November 21st, 3 p.m. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to J. J. Webb, 23, Alton Street, Ross-on-Wye. 5705

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Bishop's Stortford District.—Meeting at Sawbridgeworth, Saturday, November 21st. Ringing 3 p.m., service 4.30 followed by tea and meeting. Further ringing in the evening. Names for tea to Mr. E. Rochester, 7, Riverfield Lane, Sawbridgeworth, Herts. No name no tea. This is the first meeting at Sawbridgeworth since the bells were rehung.—D. Kingston. 5696

**HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—St. Albans District.—Barnet, November 21st. Bells (8) 3 p.m.; service 4.30 p.m. Own tea arrangements please. Evening ringing until 7.30 p.m.—M. A. Coburn. 5722

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—Ashford District.—Meeting at High Halden, Saturday, November 21st. Bells (6), 3 p.m. service, 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. J. Burden, 23, The Chennels, High Halden, near Tenterden, by previous Thursday.—C. T. H. 5674

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Manchester Branch.—Meeting on Saturday, November 21st, at St. Philip's, Hulme. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Own arrangements for tea. Bells available again 6 p.m. onwards. Everyone welcome.—Neil Bennett, Sec. 5702

**LEICESTER DIOCEAN GUILD**—Loughborough District.—Monthly meeting, November 21st, at Diseworth. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea at Day School. Names for tea to Mr. W. A. Fletcher, 13, Page Lane, Diseworth, near Derby. 5588

**LEICESTER DIOCEAN GUILD**—Melton District.—Meeting at Eaton (6 bells) Saturday, November 21st 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Meeting and tea in hall at 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Morris, Chapel St., Eaton, near Grantham.—M. Stimson, Dis. Sec. 5727

**LINCOLN DIOCEAN GUILD**.—West Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Willingham, Saturday, November 21st. Bells afternoon and evening. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea for those who notify me by previous Tuesday.—G. L. A. Lunn, Crow Garth, Lea, Gainsborough. Tel. 2623. 5676

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**.—S. and W. District.—St. Mary's, South Ealing (NOT Acton). Saturday, November 21st. Bells (8) from 6.30 p.m. Short business meeting. Can I have any outstanding subs, please? F. W. Goddellow, Hon. Sec. pro tem, 46, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks. 5715

**NORTHERN UNIVERSITIES**.—Meeting at Liverpool, November 21st. Towers available: West Derby, 10.15-11.15; Cathedral, 12-2; Walton, 2.30-3.30; Tue Brook, 4-5; St. Francis Xavier's, 5.30-6.30; Everton 6.30-7.30. Own arrangements for lunch and tea. 5706

**NORWICH DIOCEAN ASSOCIATION**.—Western Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Gaywood on Saturday, November 21st. (Please note alteration of date.) Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.30. tea at 5. Names for tea to C. Tovell, 18, New Road, Gaywood, King's Lynn. 5680

**OXFORD DIOCEAN GUILD**.—Sonning Deanery Branch.—A combined practice will be held at Twyford on November 21st, at 6 p.m. Special method: Yorkshire Surprise Major. 5719

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**SALISBURY DIOCEAN GUILD**.—Marlborough Branch.—Annual meeting, Marlborough, Saturday, November 21st. Names for tea to Mr. G. Brown, Audley House, High Street, Marlborough, Wilts.—T. A. Palmer, Hon. Sec. 5713

**SOUTHWELL DIOCEAN GUILD**—Newark District.—Meeting Saturday, November 21st, Winthorpe. Bells 3 p.m., Service 4.30. Names for tea must be sent by previous Monday, please to me—Mrs. B. N. Reed, 43, Dale Crescent, Balderton, Newark. 5670

**SUFFOLK GUILD**—N.E. District.—Quarterly meeting at Saxmundham (6), 2.30-4.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. tea 5 p.m. Benhall (6) 6-9 p.m. on Saturday, November 21st. Names for tea by Wednesday, November 18th, to: Miss M. Branch, 125, Corton Road, Lowestoft. 5607

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting Handsworth, November 21st, Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea in the Parish Centre 5 p.m. Names must be sent to me by 19th. All welcome.—J. J. L. Gilbert, 10, Pye Bank Close, Sheffield 3. 5676

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Northern District.—Meeting, November 21st, Harrogate. St. Peter's (8) 2.30-3.30 p.m. Birstwith (8) 3.30 onwards. Names for tea to Mr. Arthur Worsnop, Clapham Green Farm, Birstwith, Harrogate, by Thursday, November 19th. All welcome.—Edward Hudson, Hon. Sec. 5720

**WELLS CATHEDRAL**.—Rededication of the rehung bells and recast 6th on Sunday, November 22nd, during Evensong. 3 p.m. All welcome. 5718

**CHESTER GUILD**.—Grappenhall Branch.—The Branch annual meeting will be held at Grappenhall on Saturday, November 28th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Subscriptions now due.—C. Raddon. 5708

## GUILDFORD DIOCEAN GUILD ANNUAL DINNER

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**LADIES' GUILD**.—Midland District.—Meeting, St. Peter's, Derby (8), November 28th. Ringing 3-4.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in Cathedral Rooms 5. Further ringing at Derby Cathedral (10) 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss S. E. Chesterton, 31, Sturdee Road, Leicester. Gentlemen cordially invited.—S. E. Chesterton, Hon. Sec. 5717

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCEAN GUILD**.—Northampton Branch.—Business meeting, Dallington, Saturday, November 28th. Usual arrangements. Ringing to 8 p.m. only. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to Mr. J. Chapman, 6, Melrose Avenue, Northampton. 5721

**SUFFOLK GUILD**.—S.W. District.—Annual District meeting at Long Melford, Saturday, November 28th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea by November 25th, please, to Miss E. Cansdale, 8, Brook Street, Bures, Suffolk. 5677

**SURREY ASSOCIATION**.—Northern District.—Quarterly District meeting at Immanuel, Streatham, November 28th. Bells 3 p.m. Handbell competition 3.30. Service 4.30, followed by meeting and tea. Immanuel and St. Leonard's bells available in evening. Details of competition from N. Steere, 1, Prior Avenue, Sutton. Names for tea by November 25th to D. Woodhams, 48, Rectory Lane, London, S.W.17. 5714

**SUSSEX ASSOCIATION**.—Eastern Division.—Quarterly meeting changed to St. Mary's, Eastbourne, on November 28th. Bells 3 till 4.30 and 6 till 8 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Own arrangements for tea (cafes near church).—I. Smith, Sec. 5725

**FYFIELD, ESSEX**.—Rededication of bells, Sunday, November 29th. Service 3 p.m. Ringing until 9 p.m. For tea, please notify J. Godfrey, Cannons Green, Fyfield, Ongar.

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD Bingham District

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## LATE NOTICES

**HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Western District.—November meeting will be at Abbots Langley, on Saturday, November 14th. Bells (6) 3 p.m.; service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. A. V. Good, 44, Belmont Road, Hemel Hempstead. 5740

**LEICESTER DIOCEAN GUILD**—Syston District.—Evening meeting at Thurcaston (11) on November 18th. Ringing practice 7-9 p.m. Special method Cambridge Major. All ringers welcome.—R. R. Brown, Hon. Sec. 5745

**ELY DIOCEAN ASSOCIATION**—Hunts District.—Meeting at Godmanchester, Saturday, November 21st. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 4743

**HAWKHURST**.—Guild meeting in Hastings Saturday, November 21st. Ringing at All Saints' 3 p.m.; service 4.30. Ringing again at St. Clement's in the evening. Make own arrangements for tea.—D. West, Secretary. 5746

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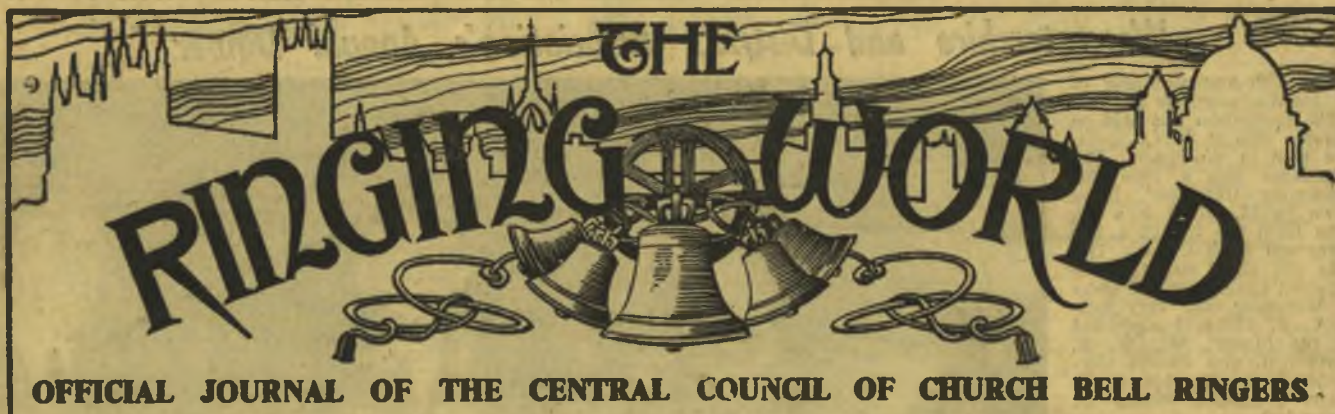
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## THE VALIDITY OF PEALS

THE Professor, who is an extremely busy man, takes a bit of nailing down these days; however, I managed to catch him in his cell last week and thereby succeeded in sorting out one or two things which had been troubling me.

I referred to the recent peal 'controversy' and sought his opinion upon the validity of a peal.

'I never look through the peal columns,' he said, 'without wondering by how many the actual number of changes rung differs from those stated at the head of the peal.'

I was shocked.

'Surely,' I protested, 'you are not suggesting that peals which ringers know to be false are published week after week in "The Ringing World."'

'You make the mistake that most ringers make of accepting the number of rows as equivalent to the number of changes. After all, it can be argued that if a single mistake occurs in which two bells clash and are not heard distinctly then at least one particular change has not taken place and the 5,040, say, becomes at once a 5,039! By standards such as these most peals which are published are automatically eliminated as few peals are guiltless of an odd misblow, and so the acceptance of a peal is based upon two factors, (a) tradition and (b) conscience. These two factors, unfortunately, vary from Society to Society, district to district, tower to tower and, in the case of (b) from person to person.'

'The final choice,' I pointed out, 'is quite often that of the conductors.'

'Yes, and with this peculiar species, standards are vastly different. I can recall a peal of Double Norwich on handbells, when the ringing was almost perfect until the last "single" which brought the bells into the plain course and where the two bells making the "single" went the wrong way. The conductor quickly spotted this and in a few violent changes had the bells back in their proper coursing order after which episode the venture was brought to a victorious conclusion. But the conductor rejected the peal almost as vociferously as a few minutes previously he had saved it. "Two bells were crossed for at least half a lead," was his verdict.'

'That seems rather drastic.'

'Perhaps: at any rate I know many conductors who would have included it in their totals with an unruffled conscience.'

'I know of a conductor,' I offered, not to be outdone, 'who called a peal of Spliced Surprise and who discovered afterwards as he was writing out the composition for the benefit of his Society's peal secretary that he had inadver-

tently substituted a lead of one method for that of another in the composition, which had a similar name and the same lead-ends. I understand he spent several anxious hours and forfeited much sleep in proving the composition. Fortunately it turned out to be true!'

We spent quite a time reciting similar incidents uneasily aware that we were quoting the exceptions to the general rule.

'In the peal on handbells you mentioned earlier,' I said, 'you stated that two bells were crossed. What are your opinions on this subject?'

'Well, of course if two bells are crossed in a peal on any number of bells below eight there must be a repetition of changes, although, as I have already inferred, there could be the correct number of rows. With eight or more, even though it is possible in certain cases that there may not have been a repetition of rows, the changes have not been produced according to the laws of change-ringing and therefore the touch is false. Now I know that some conductors have self-made rules (or traditional ones) such as: so long as the bells are changed back before the treble leads again, or before the two bells go down to the front, or before the next bob is called, or before the course-end is reached, then the ringing can be allowed to continue. The length of time between the two bells being crossed and put right again is proportional to the sensitivity of the conscience of the conductor, or the tradition of the locality. It shouldn't of course, depend upon either seeing that a "swap" of two changes is just as bad as a "swap" of two courses—both are false!'

'What are you trying to do—make more space in "The Ringing World"?''

'No, just state the truth. I think that most of the peals which appear are of a reasonable standard although I do know of certain ones that have been brought round with the injunction, "This should be all"!'

'I hope you have never rung in such a one!'

'No, I have no patience with a ringer who takes part in a peal and then complains afterwards either that it was badly struck or that he knew it was "on the fiddle." The answer is, literally, in his own hands—he should set his bell and say why he has done so.'

'I can't imagine such a ringer becoming popular.'

'About as popular as one who complains afterwards in "The Ringing World,"' remarked the Professor dryly, 'But peal ringing can easily degenerate into a selfish hobby in pursuit of which, therefore, we must at least endeavour to continually keep our standards high.'

With which noble thought and divided infinitive, echoing in my mind. I left him.

H.C.



## Worcestershire and Districts Association's Annual Dinner

THE 27th annual dinner of the Worcestershire and Districts Association was held on October 24th at the Co-operative Hall in Worcester. The attendance was a little disappointing this year, being down to 85, which is a big drop from the 200 of a few years ago or last year's 130.

In the chair was the Association's president, the Dean of Worcester (the Very Rev. R. L. P. Milburn) supported by the Master, Mr. W. B. Cartwright, and clerical vice-president, the Rt. Rev. C. E. Stuart (Assistant Bishop of Worcester).

Following the loyal toast, the chairman called on the principal speaker of the evening, Mr. F. W. Perrens, hon. librarian of the Central Council. Mr. Perrens first of all conveyed to his hosts the fraternal greetings of his own Guild, the Coventry Diocesan Guild, and said how happy he and his wife were to have the opportunity of visiting Worcestershire once again and meet some of his old friends and, he hoped, make some new ones.

He then recalled his early ringing days in the towers around the Worcestershire-Staffordshire border. There were some first-class Surprise bands in this area and his only hope of standing in a peal was if the band met one short, so that he would always turn up just in case! Mr. Perrens said that these ringers set a very high standard which the younger ringers of to-day must try to maintain.

Turning to the activities of the Central Council, Mr. Perrens said that they were not only concerned with peal ringers, as some people thought. One of the most active committees was the Sunday Service Ringing and Education Committee. The Council's publication, 'The Beginners' Handbook,' was a best seller.

The latest publication was a recruiting leaflet and Mr. Perrens produced a copy and said that he had brought a supply with him and hoped that anyone interested would obtain one. A tower should aim to have twice as many ringers as bells, and this leaflet, exhibited in the right place, had already brought in many recruits.

Mr. Perrens once again thanked the Association for their kind invitation and hospitality and then proposed the toast 'The Worcestershire and Kindred Associations.'

The response to the toast was made by Mr. John C. Eisel, Ringing Master of the Northern Branch, who thanked Mr. Perrens for his kind remarks towards the Association.

The toast of 'The Chairman' was proposed by Mr. W. B. Cartwright, who said how pleased the members were that the Dean was able to be with them that evening. The Dean was not just a figurehead but was very interested in the Association and its affairs.

In reply, the Dean thanked Mr. Cartwright for the kind things he had said. He then asked if the members knew why they were called campanologists and traced the derivation of the word for them. Turning to present day events, he said that he was glad that there were so many young people now learning the art. So long as this continued then there was little chance of the human element in bell-ringing being replaced by an electronic one. It was a good thing that the Exercise, through the Central Council, had been taking positive steps such as the recruiting leaflet.

Following the speeches the company was entertained by professional artistes. Robert Lunn and Edna mystified the company with some dazzling illusions, and amusement was provided by Bernie Landy 'miming his own business.'

D. B.



Handbell ringers at the annual dinner of the Worcestershire and Districts Association. Left to right: J. C. Eisel 1-2, P. Cattermole 3-4, M. J. Fellows 5-6, M. D. Fellows 7-8. They rang courses of Bob Major and Grandsire Triples.

(By courtesy of Berron's Newspapers.)

## BELFRY MAINTENANCE

MR. FIDLER'S reference to the above in his recent letter, in which he expresses surprise at the little interest so many ringers take in bell maintenance, prompts me to submit these notes. Perhaps others may have useful ideas to contribute and so stimulate interest further.

Where bells are used a lot, raised and lowered two or three times a week and have a fair weight, rope maintenance is a regular task. Ropes need to be moved an inch or two, frequently, to avoid excessive wear at the garter hole, and eventually the few feet of rope which bend sharply over the pulleys, to and fro, become limp and need cutting out. When this is done it is a good idea to insert a short length of nylon or terylene (two or three feet) to cover the area normally worn by the effect of the garter hole. As nylon fibres are very smooth, it is advantageous to brush on some codylax at the splice.

Whilst long splices are better where a rope goes over a pulley, they take up more rope than a short splice. If a short splice is smoothly tapered it will run smoothly over pulleys. To taper a short splice, do three threadings on all three strands in both directions, then cut off one-third of each strand; do one more complete threading, then cut off half of the remaining strands and do final threadings.

If the rope is very tight it is sometimes difficult to thread the strands and I have made myself a special 'spike' for this purpose. The end opposite the point is hollow and when using it I push it almost through the rope, then insert the strand to be threaded into the hollow rear end and pull the spike through from the pointed end. The strand is thus easily threaded through the tightest of ropes. Spikes can be made to suit any size of rope, and for threading complete tail ends. First obtain a length of seamless metal tube of suitable length. Saw a 'V' out of one end so that the end is somewhat like a clothes peg. Now close the two parts of this 'V' in a vice or by other means and have the point brazed or soldered together and filed up smooth. The

end will now be a flattened point somewhat like a longish bird's beak. This is now a light and useful tool in rope maintenance.

## PIGEON MENACE

Another problem faced by many steeplekeepers is the presence of pigeons or other birds. In a large town pigeons are often a real nuisance. Some local authorities have pigeon traps installed on public buildings. Some traps consist of a small box with a strong wire grill hinged at the top of two opposite ends of the box. The grill can swing inwards but not outwards. Thus once inside the bird cannot usually escape. Corn is used for bait. A large trap about six feet by six feet by three feet high made of laths and wire netting is, I believe, used by people who may need to trap various species of birds. Birds can fly in downwards through an opening but a thin strip of wood, sloping at 45 degrees, prevents their escape. The disposal of trapped birds is a problem. Ringed ones can be returned to the owners from whom they have strayed, but wild ones present humane and legal difficulties.

If copper mesh and galvanised iron wire grids are installed, the pigeons often transfer their affection from the tower to the warmer parts of the fabric and by their filth disfigure the fabric. Feeding by misguided people encourages more pigeons. A constant battle must be waged by destroying nests and eggs to prevent breeding.

I have known pigeons to be driven away from their favourite roosting places by having an old fishing net draped over the area and tacked to the wall at the bottom. Here again, it should not be possible for pigeons to be injured by the net for humane and legal reasons. The principle is the same as cotton over lettuce seeds to deter birds. It is very effective. A few pigeons can be tolerated but if they number several score obviously something has to be done.

Other problems face the steeplekeeper and I hope shortly to write about that of sound

N. CHADDOCK.



## Unflagging Zeal made Mr. J. W. Cotton the 27th to Ring 1,000 Peals

ON Tuesday, October 6th, as already reported, Joe Cotton, the well-known and well-loved Midland ringer, and secretary of the Midland Counties Guild since its formation in 1946, achieved his 1,000th peal, of Overseale Surprise Major, at his home tower, Overseale, Derbyshire, where 44 years earlier he had rung his first peal.

Mr. Cotton began his ringing career when the new war memorial octave was placed in Overseale tower in 1919, and learning to handle a bell at nearby Netherseale, the new team made rapid progress, and the first peal, December 20th, 1920, only a year later, was by the local band, being Grandsire Doubles with cover bells, all except the conductor, William Clayfield, having learned to ring since the new bells were planned.

At this time Joe lived at Gresley, and would cycle several hilly miles twice each Sunday to join the team. Three years later he rang his first peal of Triples 'inside,' under the conductorship of Maurice Swinfield (thus providing a link with the famous 'Wednesday Band,' ringing six peals with the veteran James George). In 1927 he conducted his first peal, at Netherseale (Grandsire Doubles), and in 1932 Overseale was again the scene of his first of Triples as conductor.

Joe was by no means a young man when his more prolific and ambitious ringing career came to fruition, and those who know and have rung in his company acknowledge with admiration that his unflagging zeal to arrange peals of an advanced standard in an area not easily accessible from the main ringing centres of the present day has brought the personal success it richly deserved, and has given great encouragement to many a young ringer wishing to improve, with consequent lasting benefits to the cause of ringing in the Burton-Trent district.

His work as District secretary of the old Midland County Association and above all his enthusiastic work as hon. secretary of the new Guild, and its Central Council representative from its inception, having attended every Central Council meeting, have augmented the benefits of his actual ringing to all concerned, and it is unthinkable to imagine the M.C.G. without Joe, though the Guild hopes to look forward thankfully to his warm personality at the helm for many years to come.

### OTHER CHURCH DUTIES

He has not allowed his ringing to crowd out other Church duties, for he was for several years vergier and clerk to Overseale Church, then became a parochial church councillor and sidesman, and treasurer of the Church Hall funds. He has been secretary of the Overseale tower from 1923 to the present day, and organised many enjoyable outings for the tower and friends before the last war. He has a wife, son and two daughters who are able to ring, and the tower could raise a 'Cotton' band if necessary!

The list of 1,000 peals contains an interesting selection, including the rare achievement of the 'Alphabet' to Surprise Royal and, almost, the letter 'U' being unfortunately missing, the same to Surprise Major. Though not a prolific conductor, he has a respectable total of 57, and more than half of these are in the realm of Triples, which is found so inscrutable by so many of our present-day conductors born and bred on even-bell methods! The peals were rung in 110 towers, and the totals in some in the M.C.G. area, where he has 'circled' some towers several times, are notably high, particularly 286 at the Bell Foundry Campanile, a total exceeded by very few, 86 at Overseale, 71 at Netherseale, 70 at



MR. JOSEPH W. COTTON.

Measham and 35 at Whitwick. He has rung 11 peals in 10 Irish towers, and had a pull at all the towers in Northern Ireland, and nearly all in the Republic. His most distant outing was long ago in 1931, when he joined the memorable Menin Gate Tour. Other noteworthy peals were: Three peals of London Surprise Major in three counties in one day: four-in-a-day at the Foundry; and the privilege of ringing in the late Ernest Morris' 2,000th peal, Morriston Surprise Royal, at Loughborough. Three false performances were also completed in addition to the 1,000 peals.

All will join in congratulating Joe on his determined and faithful achievements, and wish him many a happy peal to come; his straightforward sincerity and warmth of personality continue to bring pleasure to all who have the privilege to know him and ring in his company.

D. P. J.

### HIS PEALS

**Maximus:** Plain Bob 1.

**Royal:** Plain Bob 15, Little Bob 4, Kent T.B. 4, Oxford T.B. 2, Double Oxford 1, St. Clement's Bob 1, Spliced Little, Plain, Double Bob 1.

**Surprise Royal:** Albanian 1, Anstey 1, Asfordby 1, Biddenden 1, Blaby 1, Braunstone 2, Cambridge 12, Charnmouth 1, Coalville 1, Diseworth 1, Elmesthorpe 1, Foston 1, Glenfield 1, Gracedieu 1, Horninghold 1, Ibstock 1, Jacobstowe 1, Knaptost 1, Lincolnshire 1, Lubbesthorpe 1, Morcambelake 1, Morriston 1, Narborough 1, Noseley 1, Osgathorpe 1, Primethorpe 1, Quedgeley 1, Queniborough 1, Ravenstone 1, Shackerstone 1, Southwell 1, Thrusington 1, Ulverscroft 1, Upton 1, Verdon 1, Wellesborough 1, Woodstock 1, Xanthi 1, Xaymaca 1, Yelvertoft 1, Yorkshire 7, Zouche 1, Total Royal 88.

**Caters:** Grandsire 13, Stedman 16. Total Caters 29.

**Major:** Plain Bob 52 (cond. 4), Double Norwich 38, Reverse Canterbury 1, Double Oxford 1, Childwall College 1, St. Clement's 1, Hackington Imperial 1, Hereward 1, Little Bob 12, Gainsborough Little Bob 3, Spliced Plain (two methods) 2, Spliced Plain (four methods) 1, Kent T.B. 9 (1), Kent and Oxford (Ilkeston Variation) 3.

**Surprise Major:** Amsterdam 1, Ashted 2, Bedfordshire 1, Biddenden 3, Braunstone 6,

### THE SELECT 27

With Mr. J. W. Cotton completing his 1,000 peals, there are now 27 ringers who have rung 1,000 peals. Of these, ten are alive. Their names are:

**Alive.**—H. E. Audsley, J. Bennett, A. P. Cannon, J. W. Cotton, G. E. Fearn, N. Golden, E. Jenkins, J. L. Millhouse, C. W. Roberts and J. Worth.  
**Deceased.**—E. Bennett, J. H. Cheeseman, C. T. Coles, J. E. Davis, W. H. Fussell, J. George, K. Hart, E. Morris, H. J. Poole, A. H. Pulling, E. Pye, G. R. Pye, W. Pye, Rev. F. E. Robinson, I. G. Shade, J. Thomas and G. Williams.

Bristol 11, Bruntingthorpe 1, Cambridge 68, New Cambridge 8, Derby 1, Ealing 1, Feering 1, Fifé 1, Gainsborough 5, Guernsey 1, Hitchin 2, Ilkeston 1, Ingarsby 1, Irchester 1, Johannesburg 1, Kirklington 1, Knossington 1, Lincolnshire 21, Llanfairpwllgwyngyll 1, London 53, Lyme 3, Monaghan 3, Nailstone 1, Nantant 1, Osgathorpe 1, Overseale 6, Oxney 1, Painswick 2, Packington 1, Pudsey 9, Purbeck 1, Premier 1, Quedgeley 3, Quenby 1, Rothley 1, Rugby 1, Rutland 7, Southwell 3, Stoughton 1, Stratford 1, Superlative 20, Turramurra 1, Vancouver 1, Victoria 1, Warwickshire 1, Whitwick 6, Wye 5, Xenia 2, Yorkshire 77, Zurich 1. Spliced (two methods) 2, Spliced (four methods) 1, Spliced (three methods) 1. Total Major 487 (5).

**Triples:** Grandsire 69 (15), Stedman 79 (15), Plain Bob 8, Oxford Bob 12. Total Triples 168 (30).

**Minor:** Plain Bob 48, two methods 5, three methods 23, four methods 24, five methods 10, six methods 1, seven methods 33, eight methods 3, nine methods 2, ten methods 1, 11 methods 1, 12 methods 3, 15 methods 1 (of above cond. 13). Double Bob 1, College 1, Wavertree College 1, Single Oxford 1, Lytham 1, Oxford T.B. 1, Kent T.B. 2, Braintree Delight 1, Coventry Delight 1, College Boy IV Delight 1, Marple Delight 1, Cambridge Surprise 20, Chester Surprise 1, Carlisle Surprise 1, London Surprise 3, Cranford Surprise 1, York Surprise 1. Total Minor 194 (13).

**Doubles:** Grandsire 17 (9), Stedman 1, two methods 5, three methods 2, four methods 2, five methods 1, seven methods 2, eight methods 2. Total Doubles 32 (9).

**Handbells:** Three methods Doubles 1.

Grand total: 1,000 (57).

### LONDON UNIVERSITY AND THE FUTURE

Miss Elizabeth Farrow has edited and produced for the University of London Society of Change Ringers an attractive annual report and a list of members.

The president (Mr. David Martin), in his report covering 1958-64, writes: 'For me the biggest surprise of my five and a half years of office is that at the end of it London University is still constituted pretty much as it was at the beginning. It is a great tribute to English conservatism, but I doubt whether it will hang on much longer, especially as we are now in the post-Robbins era. Indeed, we now know that Northampton C.A.T. is to become a separate university next year and a split up into two or more universities in London in the near future seems to me to be inevitable. This will obviously pose problems for this Society and I will gladly leave these to my successor.'

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# Letters to the Editor

## King's Norton-by-Gaulby Peal

Dear Sir,—I, too, would like to congratulate the band on ringing Cambridge Major at the above church, as they were a rough lot in 1926. As my friend Norman Bagworth comments (page 744), the Sherwood Youths rang a peal there on Saturday, December 4th, 1926. 5,040 Stedman Triples, in three hours and five minutes. The band stood as follows: Fred Blood 1, Albert Coppock 2, Ernest Morris 3, Walter Whitehead 4, William Clarke 5, Frederick Salter 6, Frederick Bailey 7, Perceval Bruce 8. Conducted by Albert Coppock. The footnote: Specially arranged and rung to commemorate the 150th anniversary year of the first peal on these bells by the Sherwood Youths on May 28th, 1776. Only one other peal has been rung on these eight bells, viz., June 4th, 1816, by the Leicester Scholars.

Of the Stedman band of 1926 only three remain—W. Whitehead, F. Bailey and myself.—Yours, etc.,

FREDERICK A. SALTER.

St. Peter's, Nottingham.

Dear Sir,—Without wishing to appear ultra-critical, I would like to correct a small detail in Mr. Norman Bagworth's letter. On November 7th, 1956, a peal of Braunstone Surprise Major was rung in 3 hours 23 minutes in which the writer was privileged to have been included.

The band was: B. G. Warwick 1, W. Thornley 2, E. Morris 3, J. A. Acres 4, B. S. Chapman 5, S. J. Haines 6, E. J. Jelley 7, J. M. Jelley 8. Unfortunately the two Ernests are no longer with us, namely, E. Morris and E. J. Jelley.

I apologise in advance if this letter gives the impression of belittling the peal of October 3rd and the band who obviously had to work for this one. Believe me, any peal scored on these gloriously-toned bells is earned, they are not 'kids' stuff.—Yours, etc.,

S. J. HAINES.

Wigston Magna, Leics.

## Peal at Geddington

Dear Sir,—I was interested to read the account of the peal at Geddington (page 752) rung by members of the Southwell Diocesan Guild. Knowing these bells extremely well, I venture to query the time taken—2 hours and 27 minutes.

The bells are rung from the ground floor and there are no sally guides. They are a very fine ring of five and sound at their best when rung at a steady pace. Peals on them in the past have taken about 2 hours and 50 minutes.

There has been no regular service band at Geddington for a number of years, and the last time I rang there the bells (which were last rehung about 1905) went quite well, but not all that well for a good peal to be achieved in the time reported.—Yours truly,

B. F. MORRIS.

Ashbourne, Derbys.

## Memorial to Albert Walker

Dear Sir,—Reading through 'The Ringing World' of November 6th, I notice that the memorial tablet to the late Albert Walker has now been unveiled.

I am sure it would be very interesting to other old ringing friends of Albert's, as well as to myself, if the wording on the tablet could be published as I doubt if many of us will ever see this memorial.

May I also ask what amount of money was donated; also, have all the donors received their receipts?—Yours sincerely,

HECTOR G. BIRD.

East Brent, Somerset.

## A Go-ahead District

Dear Sir,—Having read Mr. Pound's letter in your recent issue, one is tempted to consider what has prompted him to eulogise the activities of the Alton and Petersfield District to such a degree.

Whilst it is good to see commendation of certain members mentioned in his letter, it is perhaps of moderate interest only to ringers nationally, and one cannot help but feel that if Mr. Pound is going to bring the activities of his District to the attention of ringers everywhere, he should at least present a more balanced view.

There is no doubt that Mr. Bassett's name is widely respected, and all of us who have rung with him are indeed appreciative of his efforts, particularly in encouraging young ringers and guiding them through peals, etc. It is unfortunate on the other hand that Mr. Pound makes no mention of the fact that for a considerable time there has been no regular band in his own tower at Hawkley, and that in fact the bells are generally rung by visiting bands for peals and quarter peals.

Again, whilst it is greatly to the credit of the Liss ringers that they have struggled valiantly against village opposition—opposition encouraged considerably by an incumbent who has in the past told me exactly what he thinks of his ringers and their bells—it is a pity that Mr. Pound does not present the other side of the picture in mentioning the case of East Meon. Here we have another local tower but which rarely, if ever, receives assistance from neighbouring ringers who, having been helped themselves through rounds and Grandsire Doubles, are now more concerned with Surprise ringing and peals than with helping others through the initial stages. At East Meon there is an enthusiastic but small young band. The bells are a heavy octave, becoming increasingly difficult to handle, but to hear ringers from some of the towers mentioned in Mr. Pound's letter remark that it is a waste of their time to go to East Meon, since the band is going to pieces there, making one wonder if these same ringers are as concerned in making their District as go-ahead as Mr. Pound would have us believe.

I agree entirely with all that Mr. Pound says, and endorse his commendation of the ringers mentioned, but in fairness I think it should also be mentioned that the District is not without its 'I'm all right Jack' attitude in certain quarters, with a regrettable tendency to leave a sinking ship.—Yours faithfully,

JOHN E. CLARK.

Haslemere, Surrey.

## An Apology

Dear Sir,—I very much regret that I said hurtful and perhaps incorrect remarks to Mr. Ian M. Holland at Dronfield practice on Tuesday, November 3rd, and wish sincerely to apologise re the same and thank Mr. I. M. Holland for his great calmness and advice. Hoping this will prevent any misunderstanding.—Yours very sincerely,

AMBURN C. WILSON.

Dronfield, Woodhouse, Sheffield.

## ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD

A well-attended meeting of the Archdeaconry of Staffordshire Guild, held at Armitage Bridge Parish Church on November 7th, was representative of all age groups. Mr. P. Birkett presided. Mr. E. Hudson thanked the local ringers and their helpers for the excellent tea provided. He in turn was congratulated on gaining his 400th tower. The meeting appointed Messrs. P. Birkett and D. Smith as delegates to help form the proposed Joint Council of Yorkshire Societies of Ringers.

Ringings included St. Oswald, Woodbine and the more well-known Minor methods. W. M.

## Worcester Cathedral Bells

Dear Sir.—With reference to the recent correspondence on the bells of Worcester Cathedral, I have in the last few days unearthed some data on the old and new rings of 12 hung in the Cathedral tower. This data was given to me some 15 years ago by the late C. A. Binyon, O.B.E., who introduced me to the art of bell-ringing.

On page 665 of R.W., Mr. Slater tells us in his interesting letter on Worcester Cathedral bells that, after the sale of what remained of the original ring of 8 bells, nothing else of interest happened until 1868. However, the data below quotes the casting dates of the 6th and 9th of the old ring of 12 as being 1864. So if one assumes that this information is correct, perhaps the initial response to the appeal launched by the Rev. Cattle in 1864 proved sufficient to start the recasting work—or was it as a security for the founder? Perhaps we shall never know the answer to this one.

The details of the old and new rings, together with data on the semi-tone and bourdon bells, I have shown below, since a comparison of the two rings with their very different designs may be of some interest to readers.

Old Peal					New Peal—All 1928				
Bell	Dia.	cwt.	qr.	lb.	cast	Dia.	cwt.	qr.	lb.
1	2' 4"	6	3	19	1869	2' 5"	7	1	8
2	2' 5 1/2"	7	0	22	1869	2' 6 1/2"	7	3	16
3	2' 6 1/2"	7	3	10	1869	2' 7"	8	0	20
4	2' 8 1/2"	8	3	0	1869	2' 8 1/2"	8	1	25
5	2' 11"	10	1	12	1869	2' 11"	9	0	9
6	3' 0"	11	0	24	1864	3' 0 1/2"	10	0	6
7	3' 2"	12	0	0	1869	3' 3 1/2"	12	0	1
8	3' 6 1/2"	15	2	11	1869	3' 7 1/2"	14	3	26
9	3' 11 1/2"	21	2	11	1864	4' 0"	20	0	6
10	4' 2 1/2"	26	1	8	1869	4' 3"	25	2	10
11	4' 8"	34	2	12	1869	4' 9"	34	3	4
12	5' 3"	50	0	0	1869	5' 4"	49	2	0
Bourdon									
	6' 4 1/2"	90	0	0	1868	6' 4 1/2"	82	3	24
2 Semi-tones									
					1875	2' 9 1/2"	8	2	15
						3' 2"	10	2	24
						3' 9"	16	1	16

Yours sincerely,

R. ROGER SAVORY.

Marchwood, Hants.

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WENTWORTH, YORKS.—On Oct. 4th, 1,360 Doubles (4 methods): D. Huston 1, Miss E. Cherry 2, M. A. Beaumont (cond.) 3, A. King 4, M. King 5, A. Beaumont 6, For Harvest Thanksgiving.

WILBY, NORTHANTS.—On Oct. 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss J. Barber (first quarter) 1, Miss P. Aitchison (first quarter) 2, C. W. Partridge (cond.) 3, S. Leaberry (first quarter) 4, T. Smith 5. To the memory of Mr. Charles A. Blagburn, P.C.C. secretary and former organist, who died on Oct. 19th.

WRAXALL, SUMERSET.—On November 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Gladys Bishop 1, M. Clark 2, P. Gardner 3, C. Bishop 4, J. Evered 5, S. Cole 6, R. Cole (cond.) 7, N. Bull 8, For Evensong.



## MOLLAND'S BIG DAY

MOLLAND is one of those delightful, sequestered little Devon villages which time seems to have passed by. The church is famous for one of the most perfectly-preserved early-18th century interiors of the country, with its box pews, 3-decker pulpit with a huge sounding-board topped by a gilded angel, its balustered gallery under the tower, clear glass and plastered ceilings. The tower contains one of the most interesting rings of bells in the county, too; the old five had a mid-15th century Bristol tenor, a very fine bell of about 13 cwt.; a 3rd by Thomas Gefries, also of Bristol, early 16th-century; a 2nd whose inscription was made with a squeeze from a monumental brass reading 'Here lies Master John Cooke' backwards, dated 1595 and east, so the Wardens' Accounts show, by one William Proshew in North Molton; a 4th by Wroth of Wellington, dated 1709 and reproducing a pre-Reformation inscription (probably at the behest of the Courtenays, whose arms it bears, the Roman Catholic Lords of the Manor), and a treble by Mears and Stainbank, all hung in a fine oak frame by Frank White, of Appleton.

But even if time has passed by Molland in its fold of the Exmoor foothills, life has certainly not. The pub has quite an extensive zoo which anyone may walk round for nothing; and the village has a liveliness and energy which many towns might envy.

For the past year or so this life and energy has been focused on the bells, and all came to a triumphant climax on October 30th, when the Bishop of Exeter came to dedicate the new treble and to rededicate the whole restored ring.

It has cost Molland about £2,000 to have the foundation-timbers of the frame replaced by steel girders, the bells rehung in iron headstocks, the old 3rd (cracked by a rusted crown-staple) recast, and a new treble added. As there was not room for six on one level,

nor headroom for one bell above the frame, the 4th has been hung in an iron and steel frame below the rest and she speaks out surprisingly well from that position.

The people of Molland (there are only about 250 of them) made a wonderful day of it. The church was crammed to the doors when the Bishop rededicated the ring and the Knowstone ringers chimed them round; there was a huge marquee in the old school playground, with stalls and sideshows and skittles; a wonderful team of ladies served hundreds of splendid teas in the Church Hall, and Devon's newest six rang throughout the afternoon and evening to the admiration of ringers from near and far. By the end of the day the people hoped that they would have got the last £200—all they needed for the work. The rest they had raised since September of last year.

Some knowledgeable people are in the habit of talking about 'our dying rural communities'. They will find that for generations to come the bells of Molland will be testifying to the fact that in 1964 this community was very much alive. J.G.M.S.

## SOLIHULL'S NEW RINGING MASTER

On November 11th a meeting of the Solihull Church ringers was held, at which the Rector of Solihull (Canon Harry Hartley) was present. Owing to the lamented death of Mr. Charles Dale it was necessary to appoint a new Ringing Master. Mr. Thomas J. Warner was unanimously chosen to fill this office—Mr. George E. Fearn was appointed Deputy Ringing Master. Mr. Vincent W. Rigg was re-elected secretary (an office performed by Vincent for the past 19 years) and Mr. Richard Cann was re-elected towerkeeper.

The oldest member of the band, Mr. William Leeson, has now completed 64 years as a ringer at Solihull.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION Lewisham District

The annual meeting of the Lewisham District was held at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul, Farningham, on October 24th, and attracted some 50 members and friends.

Mr. David Manger was in charge of ringing in the afternoon and under his guidance courses and touches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Bob Minor and Cambridge and Norwich Surprise were rung. The Vicar of Farningham, the Rev. D. Campbell, conducted the service, and Mr. Edwin Barnett read the lesson.

After a splendid tea, tables were cleared and the company rearranged themselves for the business meeting, chaired by Mr. E. A. Barnett. The secretary's report showed a small decrease in membership compared with 1963, and some 50 members less than the 1962 total. It was particularly disturbing to note that the number of junior members had fallen from 33 in 1962 to 12. A total of 26 peals rung in the District was reported, including 37 Spliced Surprise Minor and Stedman Caters at Cudham. Kemsing and Cots-wold Surprise Major were rung for the first time. The number of quarter peals increased from 41 to 49.

Miss Mary Andrews was unanimously re-elected District secretary, and Miss Freda Cannon and Mrs. Olive Barnett were returned as the District's representatives. Mr. Tony Lewis and Mr. Paul Smith were nominated for the office of Ringing Master; and on a show of hands Mr. Lewis obtained a comfortable majority and was duly elected. Mr. John Faircloth was elected 'Ringing World' representative. The meeting closed with the usual votes of thanks.

Ringing was then resumed with the new Ringing Master ensuring that all tastes were catered for, and a discerning passer-by would have recognised Plain Bob, St. Clement's, Single Oxford, Cambridge, London and a final touch of Spliced. J. D. F.

## A Glorious Christmas Gift



Here, without doubt, is the perfect present for every true bell enthusiast. E. C. Shepherd, a well-known contributor to these pages, has at last written a book ranging over the whole field of bell-ringing. Quite apart from his expert knowledge this is no ordinary book. It is, in fact, a book which has added a further dimension to reading — the dimension of sound. Each book contains a high fidelity recording of peals from both famous cathedrals and humbler towers, including the famous first peal of Stedman

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## 725 MILES PER TOWER or Canadian Campanologists' Convention

CANADA is a very long way from Texas, where everything is supposed to be 'The Biggest,' but nevertheless distances between cities in this country tend to be great. It was, therefore, with no small amount of apprehension that four ringers from Calgary set out on a tower grab to Vancouver, some 700 miles to the west across the Rockies. The date was Friday, October 9th, 1964, the time 7 p.m., and the transportation a 1958 Ford station wagon. Fortunately, three out of the four held driver's licences and were able to take turns at the wheel. Thus we were able to keep moving throughout the night, with only periodic stops for gas (sorry, petrol) and coffee.

Vancouver was reached about 10 a.m. next day, much to everyone's relief, and we made tracks for the beautiful home of Jeff White, where we were greeted with an abundant supply of yet more coffee, and allotted to our various accommodation for the stay. Wasting no time, we were ringing at the Cathedral of the Holy Rosary soon after 2 p.m. These bells are somewhat of a mixture, some being French in origin. However, considering that they are hung on plain bearings, they go exceedingly well, and are a credit to those responsible for their maintenance.

They did prove to be rather a handful for two of our number from Calgary, who are used to our own light eight, especially as this was the first opportunity that either had had to ring outside their home tower. Methods rung here included Grandsire Triples, Stedman Doubles, Plain Bob, Oxford Bob Triples (for some reason known only to the Vancouver band) and of course rounds. Supper on Saturday was taken at the Barkworth residence, and since this was Thanksgiving Week-end, this naturally consisted of roast turkey, and most acceptable it was too.

### MISSION CITY

Sunday dawned fine, much to the surprise of the contingent from the Prairies, all of whom firmly believe that it rains far more frequently in Vancouver than it does in England. By 10.30 a.m. we were once more at work on the bells of the Holy Rosary, ringing them for half an hour before the 11 a.m. Mass. Following this we set course for Mission City to try our hand on the ring of 10 which is to be found there, at Westminster Abbey. This is a monastery set on the top of a hill in the Fraser Valley, and commanding a most glorious view. From the ringing chamber window the Fraser Valley can be seen stretching away to the north-east, with the river of the same name winding its way to the sea. On either side of the valley are the Rocky Mountains, crowned in the south by the snow-capped peak of Mount Baker in the States. The bells that hang in this tower are an equally fine ten, which are probably the only bells which are rung to changes every day. The monks have their own band, which is under the able leadership of Father Dunstan, and they ring every day before Mass.

We were met on arrival by Father Dunstan and conducted on a tour of the building, and it was during this that we realised that we were in the presence of an exceptionally talented man, for most of the art work to be found there is of his hand. It does not matter if he is painting a picture, designing and casting concrete blocks for a ceiling, making pottery figures to decorate a fireplace, or conducting a touch of Grandsire Triples, Father Dunstan is in his element. We had the privilege of ringing here an hour and a half, and this time the ringing also included Grandsire Triples but this was not to be, as the writer found that an absence of 2½ years from the method is sufficient to make one forget the difference between 'Quick' and 'Slow.'

Sunday was brought round by a get-together at the home of Jeff White, where we sat and talked ringing, listened to tape recordings of the bells of Christ Church, Calgary, and St.

Wulfram's, Grantham, and enjoyed some more excellent turkey until the early hours.

A start was made on the long road home at 9 a.m. on Monday, and we finally made it by 11 p.m., all somewhat tired and exhausted, but having enjoyed every minute of our stay in Vancouver.

It now only remains to thank publicly our hosts, the Vancouver ringers in general, and in particular Jeff and Jean White, Mary and Delia Barkworth, and family, and Ron and Edith Hyatt who provided the accommodation, and to remind them that there is a dozen of beer to be provided by whichever tower, Vancouver or Calgary, which does not score the first peak. We in Calgary are going to enjoy drinking it.

J. M. SIMPSON.

### THE SOUND OF BELLS

A comprehensive study of bellringing unique in character has been published by Record Books, Limited. This book, entitled 'The Sound of Bells,' written by Edgar C. Shepherd, incorporates a completely new dimension in sound as well as vision—by linking the book to a record which in this case demonstrates different rings of bells, some from famous cathedrals, as well as an indication of the art of the carillonneur, and of tune ringing on handbells. The book is in four parts and covers the history of bells and bellringing, the growth of change ringing, eye witness accounts of notable occasions and a description of some well-known ringing towers.

The author, Mr. Shepherd, is the former Master of St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham and convener of the Literature and Press Committee of the Central Council. He is a man well versed in the art of bellringing, having had over 50 years' experience. At present he represents the Salisbury Diocesan Guild on the Diocesan Advisory Committee on Faculties and the Care of Churches.

### NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Eastern Branch

Mr. P. Kindred had prepared a splendid tea for the meeting of the Eastern Branch at Pakefield in September and the service was conducted by Canon D. N. G. Bringlee (Rector).

At the meeting Mr. H. W. Barrett paid a tribute to Mr. Neville Brown, of Ashby St. Mary, who had died since the last meeting. Miss D. Toone (Gorleston) was elected a ringing member, and belfry elections of Mr. T. F. Metcalfe (Flookburgh) and Mr. N. M. Newby (Kirkby-in-Furness) were ratified. Evening quarterly meetings were proposed and started with Ditchingham on October 31st.

Next quarterly meeting, Lowestoft, December 5th. N. P. J. C.

### Northern Branch

Members and friends of the Northern Branch in numbers visited Reepham on October 24th. After the service, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. G. H. Hurst), the Buttery seemed to expand its walls at tea-time as over 40 tried to sit down (30 booked). It was, nevertheless, enjoyed.

Two new members—Alan R. Buxton and David House—were elected. Mr. W. R. West reported that four bells were being obtained from St. Margaret's, Norwich, to increase the ring at Holt to six. Difficulty was being experienced in moving these bells as it would necessitate splitting the organ.

The president said he had a pleasant and instructive week-end at Grantley Hall: it was hoped a similar one could be held in Norfolk in the not too distant future.

Etherstet had been offered the annual general meeting in January if Wymondham Abbey was not available. C. B.

### ROCHESTER DISTRICT TOUR

OCTOBER is usually an ideal month for ringing outings and it was no exception this year on the first week-end in October, which was the time chosen by the Rochester District, K.C.A., for their coach tour to Somerset and the Bristol area. Leaving Sittingbourne at 6.30, our stopping place for the Friday night in Reading was reached in three hours.

The first tower of the week-end was Hungerford, and the other tower of the morning was the beautifully-toned 17 cwt. six at St. Mary's, Marlborough. A good lunch was enjoyed in the Pump Room in Bath.

We had heard so much about the majesty of Chewton Mendip that some were almost prepared for an anti-climax—but be soon found out for ourselves that everything we had heard was true—our only regret was that we didn't have longer to enjoy the bells.

Gough's cave in the Cheddar gorge was inspected and all were duly impressed, although the gorge itself was to most people, more outstanding. After a ring at Cheddar, we moved on to Congresbury where we were privileged to ring from the brand new belfry floor, which must be a great improvement on the old ground floor ringing chamber. The 35 cwt. eight proved rather too heavy for some, but all agreed that the tone is excellent. Clevedon, the last tower of the day, has light and easy going bells. A touch of Stedman here provided the best ringing of the day. Afterwards a short service was conducted by the Vicar.

The night was spent at Bristol. After breakfast (very rushed by some), everyone was collected on time to ring at Emmanuel, Clifton prior to a service of Holy Communion, held especially for us by the Rev. Rees. A long and picturesque drive through the Cotswolds brought us to Cirencester for lunch. Faringdon, (8, 17 cwt.) was the first tower of the afternoon and the scene of the only ladies' touch of the tour. A run through the Vale of White Horse brought us to the last official tower, Harewell, where the church was most beautifully decorated for Harvest Festival. Cambridge was the best touch here, but in seemingly no time we were being summoned back to the coach again. Tea was partaken by the river at Henley-on-Thames, where afterwards some of us were privileged to ring for Evensong with the local band.

We thank sincerely all incumbents for the use of their bells and local ringers who met us: to Wally Smith who drove so efficiently and above all to Laurie Mitchell, whose meticulous organisation ensured that the tour was an outstanding success. D.M.

### FIRST 720 ON KENT FOUR

For years visitors to St. Bartholomew's Church, Waltham, near Canterbury, have concluded that there are only two bells as two very decrepit ropes hang down on the ground floor of the little oblong central tower.

Stahlschmidt's 'Church Bells of Kent' gives four bells, and an unlocked trapdoor enabled the writer to confirm this. Later in the year the bells were inspected and although the third's wheel was broken they were rung up singly and proved better than expected.

On St. Bartholomew's Day (August 24th) the bells were rung in peal for the first time for 30 years, and in October a 720 was rung there in 23 minutes by A. Davies 1, M. Ostler 2, C. Beeching 3, D. Cawley 4. It is hoped that when proper ropes can be purchased regular ringing can be arranged.

All the bells are by Joseph Hatch. The No. 3 bell, however, bears his father's mark and is dated 1602. The weights are approximately 4½ cwt., 5½ cwt., 6 cwt. and 8 cwt. in about A.

The following four-bell towers in Kent are now ringable: Alkham (6½ cwt.), East Langdon (7 cwt.), Newnham (7½ cwt.), Plumstead (7 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb. in A) and Waltham (8 cwt. in A). There is a possibility that the four at Fordwich are also ringable, but the Vicar isn't! The four steel bells of Bicknor could be rung (with chiming ropes—tenor 2½ cwt.). Recently news has come that the four at Ickham (7½ cwt.) are to be rehung and the No. 3 recast. D.C.L.



## A SUSSEX VILLAGE RAISING MONEY FOR ITS BELLS

THE Sussex village of Billingshurst is faced with a big task in raising funds to restore its bells. Pictured here is a scene on the village green where a parish councillor, Mr. J. H. Leaman, makes his donation. Watching is the Vicar, the Rev. R. Evan Hopkins (who will be recalled for his fund-raising activities on behalf of Bow bells), Messrs. Geoffrey Rex, George Francis, Leslie Weller and David Smith. (Photo by Ronald G. Oulds.)

The present bells at Billingshurst date back to 1812, when the six bells were recast by Mears and Stainbank. In 1897 two trebles were added. Trouble started last summer when the sixth disintegrated during practice and two months later the seventh, again on a practice night. While the crash was alarming, it was fortunate that no one was injured. Signs of trouble are patent in two other bells, one of which is cracked, and it is a 'must' that these four bells should be recast, the estimate being £500.

This is the subject of the immediate appeal. A gift day was held, the Vicar sitting beside the papier mâché replica bell on the village green. The replica was skilfully made by pupils of the Weald Secondary School, and Mr. Leslie Weller, who is hon secretary of the fund, and the other ringers pictured above gave performances of handbell ringing during the day.

The Vicar has raised about £105 and the ringers £70. The next effort is a Christmas market.

Mr. Weller is, however, apprehensive about the other two of the 1812 six. Messrs. John Taylor's representative recently inspected the bells and confirmed Mr. Weller's opinion that the whole six should be recast. This will mean raising about £1,200 if Billingshurst is to have a ring of eight in perfect tone to call the village to worship from the picturesque shingled spire.

Billingshurst is a popular tower among Sussex ringers and Mr. Weller feels that those who have an affection for the village will come to their aid by sending gifts to him at Flagstones, Andrew's Hill, Billingshurst.



### NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION

#### Joint Meeting With Crewe Branch

A very successful joint meeting between the North Staffs Association and Crewe Branch of the Chester Guild was held at Newcastle (Staffs) on November 7th, being the first of its kind.

About 60 ringers sat down to tea in the Parish Hall, where speeches of welcome were made by the retiring chairman of the North Staffs Association, Mr. G. W. Biddulph, and acceptance by Mr. W. Kerr, of the Chester Guild.

Tea was very ably prepared by a band of pretty 17-year-olds who ring at Newcastle and nearby Woistanton, and who were too shy to take a bow when thanked for their efforts by Mr. D. R. Whalley.

In the course of the afternoon a committee meeting was held by North Staffs members at which Mr. C. S. Ryles was appointed chairman of the Association. The retiring chairman, Mr. Biddulph, was thanked for all the hard work he had put in during his term of office by Mr. R. S. Anderson.

After tea more members arrived and ringing was continued until 9 p.m. with more or less the whole range from rounds to standard and Surprise methods.

G. C. B.

### A PETERBOROUGH WEDDING

Peterborough ringers were delighted to add their merry sound to the festivities on September 12th, when Wendy Hollowell, a ringer at St. Mary's Church, was married to Raymond H. Daw, the secretary of the Peterborough Branch of the Peterborough Guild. The wedding took place at St. Mary's Church and was solemnised by the Vicar, the Rev. J. H. Butcher. The bride was given away by her father, Mr. J. C. Hollowell, and was attended by Miss Valerie Daw, the bridegroom's sister. Mr. Brian Harris was best man.

The bride, wearing a full-length white brocade dress with an elbow-length veil and carrying a bouquet of orange roses and lilies of the valley, looked very beautiful.

The reception was held at the New Inn, Peterborough, the couple leaving for a honeymoon at Woolacombe.

After the ceremony the bells of St. Mary's were rung and two peals were rung in neighbouring towers during the following week to mark the occasion.

On return from their honeymoon the couple entertained ringers from the Peterborough area at the Prince of Wales Hotel, Castor. After ringing on Castor bells the assembled company did justice to the fare provided and joined once more in wishing Wendy and Ray 'all the best.'

### HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The St. Albans District held their October meeting at South Mimms, which is in Middlesex until next year. Ringing on the rather tricky six, which are rung from the vestry, covered the standard methods.

Evensong, with full choir and organ, was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. E. P. Clare. Tea, which was attended by the Vicar and Mrs. Clare, was prepared by the local lady ringers under the direction of Mrs. Fost. Miss Julia Fellows proposed all the necessary votes of thanks.

Evening ringing ranging from shaky rounds to well-nigh perfect Bristol took place at Monken Hadley, a tower that Hertfordshire will lose under the Greater London scheme.

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**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—1,296 Surprise Minor (Cambridge and Ipswich): Carol Cousins 1, Margaret C. Godfrey 2, E. Godfrey 3, Wendy C. Wallace (first in two methods) 4, Katharine M. Guy 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6. Also 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: E. Godfrey 1, Miss C. Cousins 2, Mrs. M. Godfrey 3, Miss W. Wallace 4, C. Macve 5, A. M. Macve 6. Half-muffled.

**BALDOCK, HERTS.**—1,260 Stedman Triples: C. Harwood 1, M. Orme 2, R. Trebilcock 3, L. Hughes 4, D. Sutcliffe 5, P. Flack 6, E. Buck (cond.) 7, S. Hutton 8. Half-muffled.

**BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.**—1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss L. Doone 1, W. R. Chandler 2, Miss H. Copperthwaite 3, R. J. Brown 4, Miss B. Fisher (cond.) 5. Rung half-muffled.

**BRAINTREE, ESSEX.**—1,264 Plain Bob Major: S. Warne 1, A. Wiffen 2, C. Barker 3, H. G. Felton 4, Mrs. J. M. Syder 5, P. Leount 6, A. R. Syder 7, R. J. Lindsell (cond.) 8. Half-muffled and in memory of Miss E. Pettit, former member.

**BROOMFIELD, ESSEX.**—1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Marian R. Panton 1, Rosemarie Frith 2, P. Gibson (first 'inside') 3, A. R. Groves 4, M. J. Cowling 5, I. A. Panton (cond.) 6. Half-muffled.

**CLAPHAM PARK, LONDON.**—1,280 Double Norwich C.B. Major: A. Clayton 1, M. Uphill 2, R. Coolea 3, A. Mann 4, P. Bushell 5, T. Pett 6, J. Smith 7, C. Mew (cond.) 8. A.M.D.G.

**CONINGSBY, Lincs.**—1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: B. Holland 1, Jean F. Woolford 2, E. Flintham 3, J. A. D. Woolford 4, M. E. Stracey (cond.) 5, H. Burrell 6. Half-muffled.

**COSGROVE, NORTHANTS.**—1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: A. Bransby 1, I. C. Lambert 2, E. J. Lambert 3, M. D. Chown 4, E. R. Lambert (cond.) 5, Katherine Spencer 6. First quarter 1 and 6. Half-muffled.

**EAST RETFORD, NOTTS.**—1,260 Plain Bob and April Day Doubles: Linda Wilkinson 1, H. Poyner (cond.) 2, P. Vincent 3, J. Coates 4, D. A. Whetton 5, I. Hammond 6. Half-muffled. First quarter 1 and 6. Half-muffled.

**ELTHAM, KENT.**—1,260 Stedman Triples: K. Small 1, Celia Lawrence 2, J. Sims 3, F. Hurrell 4, P. Clarke (cond.) 5, R. Clarke 6, G. Clarke 7, T. Culver 8. Half-muffled.

**EPSOM COMMON, SURREY.**—1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Adrienne Gibson 1, D. J. K. Paul 2, Sally Hooper 3, Sylvia Marsh 4, R. E. Fentiman 5, D. J. F. Oakshott 6, W. Parrott (cond.) 7, S. Warren (first quarter) 8. Half-muffled.

**FARMBOROUGH, SOMERSET.**—1,260 Doubles (3 methods): R. Smith 1, K. Baker 2, Monica Horseman (first of Doubles as cond.) 3, M. Heymann 4, A. Perry 5, J. Coombes 6. Half-muffled.

**FILTON, GLOS.**—1,320 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob Doubles: Miss R. Sheldon 1, A. Howard (cond.) 2, Miss M. Haslum 3, D. Haslum 4, D. Voss 5, M. Buckler 6. First in method by all. Half-muffled.

**GATESHEAD.**—1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Susan Elliott (first quarter) 1, Margaret Thow (first 'inside') 2, W. Thow 3, J. G. White 4, R. A. Yeates 5, A. G. Craddock 6. Jointly conducted 5 and 6. Half-muffled.

## MR. ALBERT J. DUNK

A memorial service for Mr. Albert J. Dunk, of Stockbury, Kent, was held on October 25th, at St. Mary Magdalen's Church, Stockbury, conducted by the Vicar the Rev. Edwards, assisted by the Rev. Peter Bond. The widow and many ringing friends attended, including the Rev. S. Evans.

Mr. Dunk rang 73 peals. His first was at Stockbury (Grandsire Doubles) on February 5th, 1952, conducted by G. A. Naylor, and his last in 1962 at the same tower where he completed the circle to peals twice. This was seven Doubles methods conducted by Ian H. Oram.

His peals.—  
Doubles:—Grandsire 4, Stedman 1, two methods 7, three 6, four 3, five 2, seven 3, nine 1.  
Minor:—Plain Bob 15, two methods 1, three methods 4, seven methods 1.  
Triples:—Grandsire 11, Stedman 2.  
Major:—Plain Bob 7, Kent T.B. 2, Double Norwich C. B. 3.

## MR. CHARLES DALE

### An Appreciation

Charles became a regular member of the Solihull band some 20 years ago, and never did a belfry secure a more loyal or valuable

# Remember



Sunday, November 8th

**HENLOW, BEDS.**—1,260 Single Oxford Minor: Mrs. J. Measures 1, Miss S. Percival 2, G. Mayes 3, F. Mitchell 4, R. Fuller 5, L. H. Bywaters (cond.) 6. For Parish Communion.

**HUTTON, ESSEX.**—1,260 Doubles (in 4 methods): P. R. Friend 1, W. G. Wright 2, J. J. Wallett (cond.) 3, W. T. Hill 4, R. G. Jones 5. Half-muffled.

**ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.**—1,278 Grandsire Caters: J. Cooper 1, June Creak 2, Olive Rogers 3, Kathleen Parr 4, M. Thomas 5, Jeannette Felton (first of Caters 'inside') 6, P. Felton 7, Patricia Rogers 8, H. Rogers 9, N. Felton 10.

**LECHLADE, GLOS.**—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Janet Powell 1, Rosemary Lee 2, Mollie Walsh 3, H. Evans (cond.) 4, R. Hayden 5, W. Gearing 6.

**LLANDAFF, GLAMORGAN.**—At the Cathedral, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Penelope J. Welch 1, D. S. Bishop 2, Ruth Havard 3, N. Evans 4, N. A. Crowther 5, S. Fenwick 6, N. W. H. Simon (cond.) 7, M. Pilgrim 8. First in method 3, 4, 5 and 6.

**LYNEHAM, WILTS.**—1,260 Doubles (11 methods): R. Akingham 1, Mrs. P. Osborne 2, D. Bailey (cond.) 3, B. Osborne 4, G. Pluckrose 5, D. Powney 6. Half-muffled.

**MAIDSTONE, KENT.**—1,260 Grandsire and P.B. Doubles at St. Michael and All Angels' Church: K. T. Farmer 1, M. L. Howe 2, Dorothy M. Groves 3, P. Mucklinsky 4, E. G. Jenner (cond.) 5, Christine C. Youers 6. First quarter 4, and 6. Half-muffled.

**MARCH, CAMBS.**—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. Moore 1, A. Palmer 2, P. H. Langton (cond.) 3, D. Feek 4, T. A. Bevis 5, M. Hart (first quarter) 6. Half-muffled.

**PETERSFIELD, HANTS.**—1,260 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: Shelagh Rushforth 1, H. DeCombe 2, K. Sansom (cond.) 3, D. White 4, D. Hughes 5, S. Lockyer 6. Half-muffled.

**PORTSMOUTH, HANTS.**—At the Cathedral, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. E. Jones 1, A. Dixon 2, I. Bowron 3, A. A. J. Buswell 4, N. Haile 5, K. P. Gillive (cond.) 6. First quarter 1, 2. Rung on the front six, half-muffled.

**PUTNEY, S.W.**—1,260 Grandsire Triples: Alison M. Mann 1, C. F. Mew (cond.) 2, Julie S. Armstrong 3, R. J. Cooles 4, A. R. Millidge 5, L. W. Allen 6, D. C. Brookes 7, Christine M. Cobb 8. For Evensong.

**RADLEY, BERKS.**—1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: J. J. Evans 1, P. R. Daws (first 'inside') 2, D. P. Sturge 3, Marie R. Cross 4, Daphne J. Pollard (cond.) 5, O. B. Thompson (first quarter) 6. Also, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Catherine M. Chapman 1, Joselyn M. Cooke 2, Janet M. Turner 3, Marie R. Cross 4, Daphne J. Pollard (cond.) 5, D. C. Hartill (first quarter) 6. Half-muffled.

**REDBOURN, HERTS.**—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. L. Blake (first quarter) 1, Miss M. Simpson 2, G. A. Reading (cond.) 3, J. Hobbs 4, Miss G. Martin 5, H. G. Walker 6. Half-muffled.

**ROYDON, ESSEX.**—1,260 Doubles (4 methods): I. Sams 1, C. W. Sams 2, B. G. Burton (cond.) 3, W. H. Ale 4, A. A. Livings 5, N. Ward 6. For Confirmation.

**SAPCOTE, LEICS.**—1,440 Norwich Surprise Minor: Dorothy Page 1, Christine J. Stratford 2, L. Watkins 3, J. Watkins 4, B. L. Burrows 5, M. E. Brown (cond.) 6. Half-muffled.

**SAWLEY, DERBYS.**—1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. W. Simpson 1, W. Simpson 2, Nita West (first of Triples) 3, D. Marshall (cond.) 4, A. Humphrey 5, J. Harvey 6, C. Geary 7, R. Newsum 8.

**SHOREHAM, SUSSEX.**—1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. Jane Sibson 1, M. Fromm 2, R. E. Diserens 3, J. R. Wilson 4, L. Stilwell (cond.) 5, H. D. Butler 6, D. E. Sibson 7, H. C. Weaver 8. Half-muffled.

**SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICS.**—1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Carol Norman 1, B. G. Warwick (cond.) 2, M. Wood 3, Carol Corton 4, A. Mildred 5, D. Stenson 6, R. Stretton 7, June Wood 8.

**WARMINSTER, WILTS.**—1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss M. Favill 1, P. Roynon 2, R. Garratt (first of Triples), R. H. Green (first of Triples) 4, V. Bull 5, R. A. Inglis (first of Triples) 6, N. Knece (cond.) 7, T. Mallard 8. Half-muffled. 3, 4 and 6 from Marlborough College.

**WARWICK.**—At St. Nicholas' Church, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Clare F. Dolphin 1, P. C. Randall (first of Major) 2, E. J. Gower 3, Barbara Crammack 4, R. D. Gibson 5, E. Holdsworth 6, G. W. Randall 7, J. I. Garner-Hayward (cond.) 8.

**WORTHING, SUSSEX.**—1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: L. Stilwell 1, M. Fromm (first in the method) 2, J. R. Wilson 3, R. P. Wood 4, H. C. Weaver 5, H. D. Butler 6, R. F. Diserens 7, D. E. Sibson (cond.) 8. Half-muffled.

**WRAXALL, SOMERSET.**—1,260 Grandsire Triples: Jane Weeks 1, M. Clark 2, J. Yeates 3, S. Cole 4, J. Evered 5, P. J. Gardner 6, R. Cole (cond.) 7, N. Bull 8. Half-muffled.

**SOLIHULL, WARWICKSHIRE.**—1,259 Grandsire Triples: W. Leeson 1, Christine McLaren 2, T. J. Warner (cond.) 3, Pamela M. Turner 4, V. W. Rigg 5, C. W. Bragg 6, R. J. Cann 7, A. Crabtree 8.

**THORLEY, HERTS.**—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. R. Hutley 1, P. Warboys (cond.) 2, A. Richardson 3, F. Bird 4, H. Watts 5, T. Camp 6.

**WARSOP, NOTTS.**—1,320 Norfolk Surprise Minor: J. Clarke 1, D. H. Rooke 2, G. Challans 3, F. Cooke 4, F. Flint 5, H. T. Rooke (cond.) 6.

**WENTWORTH, YORKS.**—1,440 Plain Bob Minor: D. Honiton 1, Miss E. Cherry 2, M. R. Meadows 3, M. King 4, M. A. Beaumont 5, A. King (first of Minor as cond.) 6. Half-muffled.

# OBITUARY

worker. He rang the four standard methods very competently, but we always thought that he enjoyed Stedman Triples more than any other experience. This was clearly the result of his association, more than 50 years ago, with some of the great Birmingham exponents of the method, Bernard Wittchell, Fred Clayton and others, whose influence was felt on the Coleshill and Erdington side of Warwickshire.

When Charles was elected Ringing Master at Solihull Church he was manifestly overcome by what he sincerely held to be a great honour and privilege. His facing up to his responsibilities and his brisk response to the calls of the time showed once again that the Church had here a true Christian servant, and we all realised that we had a tower leader with vision, wisdom and a quiet persistence that invariably carried his point. He succeeded in establishing ringing at three services each Sunday, and in addition to his attendance in the belfry at each of these periods, it was his custom to attend the 8 a.m. Communion and the 6.30 Evensong.

These things have left their mark upon the belfry at Solihull, but what we treasure in

our recollections of Charles are his unfailing good nature, his cheerfulness and something indefinable about him that made us feel that he was perpetually grateful to be able to enjoy so many things. Indeed, it was only gradually that we learned how this trait in his character had found expression in the many good and charitable works in which he was so quietly but intimately involved.

Most of all perhaps we shall treasure memories of those little social gatherings when Charles loved to sit back and listen to ringing gossip and tales of old times; and it was then that he would tell us of his days at Coleshill, of the brilliant but irascible Fred Clayton and of many of the goings-on that never appear in ringing papers.

Here was a man who loved deeply and was deeply loved, and his work will not have been in vain.  
E. C. S.

**HASLEMERE, SURREY.**—1,260 Grandsire Triples: E. G. Venton 1, F. Bowden (cond.) 2, Mrs. E. Weatherley 3, I. Weatherley 4, Mrs. K. E. E. Bowden 5, Mrs. M. Toms 6, H. Gauntlett 7, R. G. Burford 8.



## MR. G. E. SYMONDS LOOKS BACK

**S**TILL secretary of St. Mary-le-Tower Society, Ipswich, of which he has held the position for 43 years, Mr. G. E. Symonds has been delving into the past after 78 years a ringer, and member of the College Youths for nearly 67 years. His 'novelties,' as he calls them, are:

Called 40 of his first peals on tower and handbells.

Called peals of all numbers up to and including 5,184 in the following Major methods: Plain Bob, Double Norwich, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob.

Called all the odd numbers of Stedman Cinquses from 5,001 to 5,021, also peals of Triples and Caters on tower bells.

In 1926 called Forward Maximus, Duffield Maximus and short course of Bob Maximus, calling 448 bobs and six singles in the three peals.

Called peals on tower bells and handbells from Major to Maximus in the following methods: Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, the last being the first Oxford Maximus for 112 years (on handbells), also Grandsire Triples, Caters and Cinquses. Plain Bob on 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 bells, probably a record.

Called all numbers of Treble Bob Hunt Maximus from 5,040 to 5,280.

Called Treble Bob Maximus in 5, 6, 7 and 8 courses.

Called peals in 15 different Maximus methods in which Mr. C. J. Sedgley and himself rang 15 peals of Superlative Surprise Maximus, presumably a record.

### SERVICE TOUCHES

Dear Sir.—Below are a few service touches, but I do not claim originality. Most conductors can work out a few courses of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, also Bob Major.

#### 1,248 BOB MAJOR

23456 W 5ths 4ths B H

52364 — — — —

42356 — — S S

Five times repeated, Bob for S half-way and end.

#### 1,248 BOB MAJOR

23456 W 5ths 4ths B M H

52364 — — — —

26354 — — — —

32654 — — — —

Three times repeated. S half-way and end.

#### 85 STEDMAN CATERS

231456

214365 by 1, 4, 9, 11, 13, 14

#### 207 STEDMAN CATERS

231456

365421 1, 4, 6

214365 by 6, 10, 12, 16

#### 287 GRANDSIRE CATERS

23456 1 2 3 4

65324978 S S

42563879 S —

34265879 — — S

Rounds previous lead.

#### 305 GRANDSIRE CATERS

23456

45236 2S 2

62543 8 in and 1

Rounds by 2S, 1

#### 377 GRANDSIRE CATERS

23456

62354 1 3S

45263 8 in and 1

(24563)

Rounds by 67, 1S, 1. The 67 prevents course end appearing.

The time allowed before the service can be estimated at 100 changes in about four minutes on fairly heavy bells.—Yours truly,  
G. E. SYMONDS.

## WAKEFIELD CATHEDRAL WEDDING



Mr. Geoffrey Townend and Miss Margaret Brighton, two prominent members of the Wakefield Cathedral Society of Ringers, were married in the Cathedral on Saturday, October 24th.

The ceremony was conducted by the Pro-

vost of Wakefield (the Very Rev. P. N. Pare) and as the happy couple left the Cathedral the 12 bells were rung by the rest of the company. A quarter peal of Grandsire Caters was rung on the following day with the very best wishes from all their ringing friends in Wakefield and district.

### BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

The quarterly meeting of the Luton District, held at Leighton Buzzard on October 24th, attracted a very good attendance.

The bells (10) were raised at 3 p.m. and in great variety was enjoyed until 4.30, when about 40 people sat down to an excellent tea, provided by the local ladies.

The district chairman, Rev. R. O. Osborne, presided over the short business meeting, which was followed by a showing of the instructive and enjoyable film 'Ringers Wanted!'

This film, which shows how the problem of recruiting ringers was tackled at Vancouver Cathedral, proved so popular that it was found necessary to have a 'second house.' Hearty thanks were expressed to Mr. T. C. Clapp for his work in obtaining the film and operating the projectors. Afterwards, further ringing from rounds to Cambridge Surprise was enjoyed until 8.30.

Miss V. Willard very kindly acted as ringing master, and visitors were present from places as far apart as London and Lincolnshire. A.E.R.

### SUFFOLK GUILD

When the Central District visited Wickham Skeith and Thornham Magna for their quarterly meeting on October 31st members were interested to note the many records of peals rung in these famous towers over 50 years ago. The Rev. F. A. W. Cornish welcomed us at a short service at St. Andrew's Church, Wickham Skeith, and an excellent tea prepared by members of the Women's Fellowship Guild was served in the Village Hall. The chairman, Mr. H. Leather, presided at the business meeting. Mr. R. Lester, Ringing Master, reported on the success of the recent striking competition held at Buxhall, and Mr. A. Beckwith, the Guild hon. secretary, explained the effect of resolutions passed at the last general meeting of the Guild. Ringing continued in a good variety of Minor methods at Thornham Magna until 9 p.m. R. E. L.

### THE LADIES' GUILD

#### Central District

Members of the Central District visited Croydon Parish Church for the quarterly meeting on October 30th. Ringing commenced at 3 p.m. and continued until 4.30 p.m., when the Vicar (Canon W. Warren Hunt) conducted the service.

After the excellent free tea, provided by Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Collins, the vice-president, Mrs. Lock, thanked the Vicar, the organist, Mrs. Collins and her helpers. The men present then left and showed that they were domestically well trained by kindly washing up.

At the meeting the Misses Joyce Barton and Ruby Myllys were elected members and it was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting on May 29th at either Reading or Stoke Poges. Members and visitors then returned to the belfry and ringing continued to 8.30 p.m. in methods ranging from rounds to Cambridge Royal and Stedman Cinquses.

Next meeting: District annual general meeting at Wood Green on January 30th.

### HUTTON RINGERS' OUTING

Hutton ringers with friends from neighbouring towers selected Kent for their annual outing this year, the Thames being crossed by the Dartford—Purfleet tunnel. Ringing started at Faversham with call changes and Bob Major. A look round Canterbury and a picnic lunch followed. The lovely tone of Wickhambreaux bells pleased all. Treble Bob methods were rung on the heavy six at Herne, and a fish tea was enjoyed at the Bay Cafe, Herne Bay. Our final tower contained the six at Whitstable.

R. G. J.

**MISTLEY, ESSEX.**—On October 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: K. Brand (first quarter) 1, Gillian Brown 2, Rita Peck 3, Walter Ayre 4, A. E. Honeywood, 5, U. Wildney (cond.) 6. Birthday compliment for ringers of 1 and 2.



# MR. CLAUDE RUSH DELVES INTO 'CHURCH BELLS'

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## ST. LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES, LANCs.

1st May, 1881.—Ringing with bells fully muffled as a token of respect to the late Mr. J. Parr, veteran ringer and conductor, who died 29th April in his 80th year. Tenor 12½ cwt.

## OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY OF CHANGE-RINGERS

7th June, 1881.—720 Grandshire Minor on Seage's Gong Apparatus at New College in 29 minutes. Tenor about 15 cwt.

## LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK

21st June, 1881.—The 69th anniversary of augmentation of this ring from 6 to 8. Seventy ringers dined in a marquee at the Cock Inn. 'Church Bells' adds, 'We congratulate the Lavenham Church people for keeping their tower and bells in thoroughly good order.'

## MONK'S ELEIGH, NEAR LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK

20th June, 1881.—The gudgeons of the 18 cwt. tenor of the ring of 6 broke during ringing, the bell falling wedged between the timbers. 'This bell is well known to Suffolk people and to strangers as being a very fine-tuned bell which, considering her being only 18 cwt., is nearly equal to Lavenham.'

## JASPER W. SNOWDON'S BOOKS

On 2nd July, 1881 he wrote, 'Ropesight' should be in the hands of every beginner; 'Standard Methods' in the possession of every ringer; Part I of the 'Treatise on Treble Bob' in the hands of everyone who aspires to prove or compose a peal and is not already thoroughly qualified to do so; and Part II is absolutely necessary to every Treble Bob composer or conductor who wishes to test the originality of any composition.

## CHESTER CATHEDRAL AND COMPOSITIONS

25th June, 1881.—The Chester Cathedral Society of Change-ringers met, by arrangement, Rev. C. D. P. Davies from the parish church, Whitchurch, and rang 2,520 Grandshire Triples in 1 hour 45 minutes. Tenor 33 cwt. in C. 'This is the first occasion upon which a minister of the church has taken part in change-ringing on the Cathedral bells and it is hoped that many more will follow his example.'

Charles A. W. Troyte attacks Mr. Freeman Ball, of Chester, about the composition rung at Chester Cathedral. 'I should be inclined to call it a more or less ingenious adaptation of my old friend 'Holt's Ten-part.' I do not think it fair to call this sort of thing a composition. A man might as well call himself the composer of a piece of music because he had written out Handel's 'Messiah' beginning at the second part and ending up at the end of the first part.'

Mr. Ball refuted this and called Mr. Troyte's manner 'anything but courteous' . . . and he must have been very angry when he wrote his letter. 'He said that his composition was the result of about 8 years' study. 'Surely we have at the present day as clever composers and ringers as ever in the days of Holt; as, for instance, we have Lockwood of Leeds, Johnson of Birmingham, Haley of London, Snowdon, Hubbard, Softinstall and others too numerous to mention, and I trust that when my friend takes up his mighty and wieldy pen to strike he will do so with courtesy.'

Jasper W. Snowdon wrote that he did not think Mr. Troyte 'could have mentioned such a glaring instance of reproduction in a more courteous manner . . . the very same variation had already appeared in print, in 'The Clavis' nearly a hundred years ago. . . .

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD OF CHURCH BELLRINGERS

First annual meeting, Reading, 20th July, 1881. Dinner 2s. 6d., Tea 6d., reduced railway fares. 'The most successful gathering of ringers that has ever taken place in the Diocese of Oxford: dinner in the Foresters' Hall, when about 150 ringers, including over 20 clergy, were present.'

## HEDON, NEAR HULL

9th July, 1881.—Rev. H. L. Clarke, Vicar, reports that £700 has been spent on restoring the church. The 6 bells 'one of the best rings in the East Riding of Yorkshire,' need to be rehung and the chimies to be repaired. This will cost between £60 and £70 and he asks for financial assistance for this.

## SOUTH LINCOLNSHIRE CHANGE-RINGERS ASSOCIATION

2nd July, 1881.—Meeting at Long Sutton. 'In the evening some of the company went to Sutton St. Nicholas, and rang Grandshire Doubles—tenor 5 cwt. 'the lightest ring of 5 in the county.'

## MOTTRAM-IN-LONGDENDALE, CHESHIRE

2nd July, 1881.—The monument over the grave in the churchyard was unveiled about 3 o'clock. A large number of ringers and others met in the Market Place and walked in procession round the village to the church for a short service at which Rt. Rev. Bishop Kelly, Archdeacon of Macclesfield, gave the address. The collection came to £6 and this, with the money in hand, covered the cost of the monument—about £40. Then the assembly gathered round the monument. Jasper Snowdon addressed those present, alluded to William Harrison both as a practical ringer and a composer, and then unveiled the monument. Tea in the National School.

## BRADNINCH, DEVON

25th June, 1881.—6 bells reopened after re-hanging and refitting by Hooper and Stokes, of Woodbury. Eight six-scores of Grandshire Doubles were rung by ringers from St. Sidwell's, Exeter. . . . 'The Parish Round-ringers also rang their peals of ups and downs.'

## REDENHALL, NORFOLK BELL-FOUNDRY

A local newspaper 'The Diss Express,' reports that, during July, 1881, they visited this foundry, run by Moore, Holmes and Mackenzie, and saw a ring of 3 bells cast for Westmeston, Sussex, for chiming only. The old 3 bells had been found to be cracked and of inferior casting and design. New metal had been added and some of the old had to be purified before re-use. 'As the bells are only to be used for chiming, they are provided with ordinary clappers and not with the ingenious clapper patented by the firm, which has been so successfully applied at Weybread (Suffolk), Blofield (Norfolk), Southwold (Suffolk) and Tunstead (Norfolk) and the great tenor bell at the University Church, Cambridge.'

## EDDYSTONE LIGHTHOUSE

23rd July, 1881.—The new Eddystone Lighthouse is to be provided with two big bells and Trinity House has commissioned Messrs. Gillett and Bland to cast them. Their dimensions are—height from shoulder to tip 3 ft. 8 ins.; total height from tip to upper surface of the mushroom suspender 4 ft. 6 ins.; diameter at shoulder, 2 ft. 10 ins.; diameter at lip 5 ft. 1½ ins. 'In the foundry at Croydon on 12th July, 1881, a large number of visitors witnessed one of the bells, already cast, undergoing the process of bright turning of the upper part. Presently it will be turned bright along a portion of the lower part for the sake of ornamentation. When this has been done, the bell will be up-ended and tuned to a perfect note . . . each bell weighing about 42 cwt. answering to the note of C.'

## ST. CLEMENT DANES', LONDON

14th July, 1881.—The parochial ringers of the church had a meeting with friends of the parish. Mr. Ex-Churchwarden Worpell invited them to supper and though he could not attend himself several gentlemen of the parish did so. Mr. Bankes, one of the ringers, with his 3 talented daughters, entertained the company with a selection of handbell music on their fine ring of 40 bells. . . .

## ALMONDSBURY, GLOS.

2nd July, 1881.—St. Stephen's, Bristol, ringers had their annual meeting at Almondsbury where the 8 bells had just been rehung, and the cracked 6th recast by Llewellyn and James, Bristol. The 6th weighs 14 cwt. and the tenor 25 cwt.

## GREAT BROMLEY, ESSEX

3rd July, 1881.—The bells lately augmented to 6. Tenor 18 cwt. in F.

## ST. JOHN'S, FORD END, ESSEX

14th July, 1881.—Bells recently augmented from 3 to 5 by adding 2 tenors: opened by band of the Essex Association. Tenor 5 cwt. Bells all by Warners.

## ST. MARY-LE-BOW, CHEAPSIDE

30th July, 1881.—Announcement that two trebles have been ordered of Mears and Stainbank. 12th Nov., 1881.—The two trebles added, making 12. Weight 8 cwt. 21 lbs. and 8 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lbs.

## ST. MARTIN'S, SALISBURY

30th July, 1881.—Six bells lately rehung by Messrs. Jerram and Blackburn, of Spalding. The tone now comes out more clear and distinct. One bell was cast 1582 and three in the following century at Salisbury.

## ST. NICHOLAS, NEAR CARDIFF

5th August, 1881.—Cardiff ringers opened the bells which have just been rehung and two trebles added by Llewellyn and James, Bristol.

## ST. MICHAEL'S, CORNHILL, LONDON

7th May, 1881.—Twelve College Youths attempted 10,000 Stedman Cinques but, owing to a slight accident to the tenor ringer, they only rang for about 3 hours. Another attempt to be made in the autumn or winter, 'when the weather is more suited for a long peal.'

## ST. MICHAEL'S, HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.

27th August, 1881.—An important advance has lately been made in connection with the works of improvement at this church in memory of the late Earl of Beaconsfield, two new bells having been added, making 8. The new bells formed part of the original intention of the promoters of the memorial, but when contributions were invited, Mr. Robert Warner of John Warner and Sons offered to carry out the portion of the design at his own cost. The 2 bells have arrived and are now being placed in position. They weigh about 12 cwt. Each is inscribed, 'In Memory of Earl Beaconsfield. Presented by Robert Warner, Esq., Bell-founder to Her Majesty Queen Victoria.'

Two of the former 6 bells are very ancient dating, as is supposed, from the reign of Edward III, two more were cast in 1663 and the other two 1875.

## BELL LITERATURE

In 'Church Bells' of 3rd September, 1881, and 4 subsequent issues of the same volume (XI), (not concluded at the end of the volume and therefore I have not a complete list), Rev. H. T. Ellacombe gives a list of books on bells. There are 115 foreign books named, and this list is, apparently, complete. Then 53 English are named. This, unfortunately, is where the list ends in this volume. Presumably it is continued in Vol. XII, but I have not that to refer to.

The earliest English book I see is 'Orders of the Company of Ringers in Cheapside,' MS CXIX in All Souls' Library, Oxon, dated 1603.

The earliest foreign book shown is 'Rhodiginus (Lud. Coel.) Lectionum Antiquarum Libri fol. Venet. 1416.'

In No. 147 of the list, the founding of bells is minutely described and the author is supposed to have written about the year 1200.

No. 74: Montferrand (A.R.) Description de la Grande Cloche de Moscou, folio, Paris, 1840. 'Showing the mode by which the bell was removed from the pit in which it was cast in 1773 and placed on the stone pedestal on which it now (1826) rests in Moscow.'

## ST. PETER'S, JARROW-ON-TYNE, DURHAM

30th August, 1881.—A new ring of 6 by Warner opened. Tenor 8 cwt. in B flat.

Later, a correspondent, G. J. Clarkson, asks if the church belongs to the Church of England 'as in that case other Church of England companies in the district would like to know why they were not invited.'

## ALL SAINTS', NAFFERTON, YORKS.

24th September, 1881.—Up to 30 years ago this church had 3 bells and about that time the tenor cracked. A recent gift of £100 has enabled a new tenor to be provided, the others quarter-turned and work done to the frame and flooring. The tenor is about 15 cwt. and its note F sharp.



# SURPRISE ROYAL COMPOSITIONS

## For Clean Proof Scale Methods ALL 5.040 CHANGES

23456	M	W	H
42356	—	—	—
43526	—	—	2
62534	—	—	—
52436	—	—	3
63425	—	—	—
54326	—	—	—
25346	—	—	3
23456	—	—	2

Rung Prittlewell,  
3/4/48.

23456	M	W	H
42356	—	—	—
35426	—	—	—
46253	—	—	2
52364	—	—	3
32465	—	—	3
54263	—	—	—
65243	—	—	—
23456	—	—	2

Rung Southover,  
5/4/52.

23456	M	W	H
42356	—	—	—
26354	—	—	2
52364	—	—	3
32465	—	—	3
25463	—	—	2
62453	—	—	—
23456	—	—	2

Rung Derby,  
1/12/56.

23456	M	W	H
42356	—	—	—
63254	—	—	—
56234	—	—	—
32465	—	—	3
63425	—	—	—
24536	—	—	3
25346	—	—	2
23456	—	—	2

Rung Beddington,  
5/1/52.

23456	M	W	H
42356	—	—	—
63254	—	—	—
52364	—	2	2
24365	—	—	2
62345	—	—	—
54326	—	—	—
34256	—	2	—
23456	—	3	—

Rung Beddington,  
1/11/52.

23456	M	W	H
34256	—	—	2
53246	—	—	3
52436	—	—	2
63425	—	—	—
43526	—	—	3
62534	—	—	—
45236	—	—	—
23456	—	—	—

Rung Leeds, Kent,  
5/3/60.

23456	M	W	H
42356	—	—	—
63254	—	—	—
52364	—	2	2
32465	—	—	3
54263	—	—	—
65243	—	—	—
34256	—	—	—
23456	—	3	—

Rung Leeds, Kent,  
17/12/60.

23456	M	In/5	W	H
34256	—	—	2	—
53246	—	—	—	—
64235	—	—	—	—
43265	—	2	3	—
52364	—	—	—	—
65324	—	—	—	—
43526	—	—	—	—
45236	—	—	2	—
23456	—	—	—	—

Rung Melton Mowbray,  
11/4/64.

**MILLAND, SUSSEX.**—On Oct. 29th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: Rosemarie Walton 1, Lesley Read 2, Patricia Smith 3, D. M. Hughes 4, B. R. Walton (cond.) 5, M. Hourahine 6.

**NORTHMOOR, OXON.**—On November 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Batten 1, B. Costar 2, B. Miles 3, F. Trinder 4, V. Clifton (cond.) 5, P. Trinder 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mr. Harry Smith, a former ringer of this parish and father-in-law of the conductor, interred this day.

**REDBURN, HERTS.**—On Oct. 31st, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Angela Chapman 1, Gillian Martin 2, Valerio Mills 3, A. Wilby 4, P. W. Harper 5, K. D. Waples (cond.) 6.

23456	M	W	H
34256	—	—	2
53246	—	—	—
36245	—	—	3
43265	—	—	—
52364	—	—	—
65324	—	—	—
43526	—	—	—
45236	—	—	2
23456	—	—	—

Rung Maidstone,  
24/2/62.

## 5,000 CHANGES

23456	M	W	H
—	X	—	—
—	—	—	—
—	—	2	—
—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—

Rung Leeds, Kent,  
29/2/64.

## WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD'S STRIKING COMPETITION

The Guild's fourth Striking Competition was held on October 31st at St. Michael's, Southampton. Seven teams took part, viz.: Fareham (Triples), Liss, Winchester Cathedral, Eling, Warnford and Ringwood (all Doubles), and Fordingbridge (call changes on six).

Mr. Tom Francis was the judge and Mr. John Hartless acted as belfry marshal. Mr. Francis, unfortunately, had to leave before tea but before he left he congratulated the ringers on some very excellent ringing and handed his findings to Canon Felstead, Master of the Guild.

Ringwood were successful in winning the Alliston Cup at first attempt and Liss, the holders, were runners up. The cup was presented by Mr. A. W. Alliston, the donor, to Mr. W. E. Cheater, who was congratulated on the very fine performance of his young team.

Mr. Roger Savory, hon. general secretary, said that he was not surprised at the Ringwood ringers winning the competition, for only on the previous Wednesday he had heard best part of an excellent peal of Grandsire Triples at Ringwood which was conducted by one of the junior members of the team. He felt that they all would wish to add their congratulations to Mr. Cheater, not only upon his team's success that day, but also upon the excellent general progress being made at Ringwood.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Striking Competition Committee, the ladies for arranging the tea, and to Canon K. W. H. Felstead, for all his work and for the use of the bells. A.V.D.

**SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTER.**—On November 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: June Wood 1, B. G. Warwick (cond.) 2, M. Wood 3, Carol Corton 4, A. Mildred 5, D. Stenson 6, R. Stretton 7, M. Brown 8. Rung half-muffled following the memorial service for Mr. Percy Norman. Also on Nov. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles: June Wood 1, Carol Corton (cond.) 2, R. Stretton 3, A. Mildred 4, D. Stenson 5, M. Wood 6, For Evensong.

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The quotation given in the footnote to the peal at St. George's Colegate, Norwich, rung on Guy Fawkes Night of 'the happy deliverance . . . from the most traitorous and bloody-intended massacre by gunpowder' is taken from the heading to the 'Form of Prayer with Thanksgiving' formerly appointed to be said annually on November 5th, but now no longer to be found in the Prayer Book. The quaint spelling 'traiterous' appeared in the old Prayer Book, writes David Cubitt.

The well-known Rotherham ringer, Mr. Stuart Armeson, has now 'circled the tower' to peals.

Ringling in a quarter peal at Oakham, Rutland, on November 1st, was sprightly Mr. T. G. Briggs, who is now 86.

Mr. J. L. Millhouse informs us that Quar-rington Surprise Major is H. & M. No. 3857 and not as previously reported.

At a recent meeting of the St. Martin's, Birmingham, ringers, Mr. J. Alan Ainsworth was unanimously elected conductor of the Sunday band, in succession to Mr. Frank Haynes.

Melbourne ringers have from the beams of the old St. Paul's Cathedral frame made some very fine bookends, shaped like a bell and have sold them to swell the coffers of the Restoration Appeal.

Ex-Sgt. C. Willmington, of the Metropolitan Police, is the new president of the National Guild of Police Ringers, taking office in the New Year. His address is 79, Wallwood Road, Leytonstone.

From this week's Australian mail we learn that a number of ringers from Adelaide and Sydney are planning to join colleagues at St. Paul's, Melbourne, on November 21st in an attempt to christen the refurbished bells there with a peal of Grandsire Caters.

Mr. J. Fondo, writing from P.O. Box 4, Kilifi, Kenya, says that he and his ringers recently had the pleasure of John and Blanche Hunt's company, on their way home to England from Mauritius. Any instruction or even a temporary visit from an experienced ringer would be more than welcome.

## BELFRY GOSSIP

The many friends of Mr. W. B. Kynaston, of Swindon, will regret to hear that he has had to enter the Savernake Hospital, Marlborough, for an internal operation. He is making a good recovery but it will be some weeks before he is able to take his place again in the tower.

Two Sydney Australian ringers, the Misses Wendy Nichols and Audrey Peters, are going to Canada on January 2nd and plan to make Vancouver their headquarters.

The peal at Castle Eaton, Wilts, on page 736 was rung for the Gloucester and Bristol Association and not the Salisbury Diocesan Guild, as printed.

To commemorate the opening of Christ Church, Canterbury, on Oct. 28th, the College Bellringing Society rang both before and after the thanksgiving service in the Cathedral.

Sandra M. Pitman, age 12, conducted her first at Canford Magna, Dorset, on November 1st. Congratulations. Few girls have started earlier.

Expressing his apologies, Mr. R. W. Pipe informs us that the ringer of the tenor at Netherton, Worcs, on October 16th was J. Alan Ainsworth and not Clifford A. Barron, as published.

An interesting Hawkhurst and district peal was at Sandhurst on October 31st which was the first since the rededication of the bells by the Archbishop of Canterbury. Mr. L. W. Jarvis last conducted a peal in 1936 and this was Mr. Herbert Pope's first peal since 1939.

Mr. George Waterman, vice-president of the Essex Association, participated in a peal at Harwich for his 79th birthday. He is remarkably fit and it is the hope of those who rang that they will assemble again next year to ring for his 80th.

The in memoriam peal to Mr. Leonard P. Fidler, former captain St. Mary's, Hitchin, rung at Loughborough Borough, was in his favourite method, Double Norwich C.B. Major. It was under Mr. Fidler's captaincy that the conductor learned to ring and many excellent quarters in Double Norwich were rung at Hitchin.

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### LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY SOCIETY TOUR

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**KIRTLINGTON.**—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.  
*On Thurs., Sept. 24, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,*

#### A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Pritchard's.	Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in E.
Richard S. Starkie .. Treble	Peter S. Bennett .. 5
*Roger J. Shea .. 2	Malcolm A. Phillips .. 6
R. Fraser Mack .. 3	Jeffrey J. Fox .. 7
Geoffrey H. Pullin .. 4	John H. Fielden .. Tenor

Conducted by Peter S. Bennett.

\* First eight-bell peal. The first eight-bell peal rung by the Society.  
Rung as a compliment to Christopher K. Cooper (Master of the Society) and Edna M. Frith, on their engagement.

**QUINTON.**—At the Church of St. Swithun.

*On Fri., Sept. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,*

#### A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents: (1) London, (2 and 3) Beverley, (4 and 5) Surfleet, (6 and 7) Cambridge.	Tenor 16 cwt. 27 lb. in F sharp.
Malcolm A. Phillips .. Treble	Jeffrey J. Fox .. 4
Geoffrey H. Pullin .. 2	John H. Fielden .. 5
Richard S. Starkie .. 3	Peter S. Bennett .. Tenor

Conducted by John H. Fielden.

First peal of Surprise rung by the Society.

**PACKWOOD.**—At the Church of St. Giles.

*On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes,*

#### A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Middleton's.	Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in B.
Jeffrey J. Fox .. Treble	John H. Fielden .. 5
Richard S. Starkie .. 2	*Malcolm A. Phillips .. 6
Geoffrey H. Pullin .. 3	John K. Foot .. 7
Hazel A. Arrowsmith .. 4	Peter S. Bennett .. Tenor

Conducted by John H. Fielden.

\* First of Cambridge Minor. First of Surprise Major by the Society.

**FECKENHAM.**—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

*On Sat., Sept. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,*

#### A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Pritchard's.	Tenor 12 cwt. in G.
*P. Ann Freeman .. Treble	Geoffrey H. Pullin .. 5
Jeffrey J. Fox .. 2	Michael Pilgrim .. 6
Hazel A. Arrowsmith .. 3	Richard S. Starkie .. 7
Malcolm A. Phillips .. 4	Peter S. Bennett .. Tenor

Conducted by Peter S. Bennett.

\* First peal of Major.

**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

**CHARD.** Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

*On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,*

#### A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 23 cwt.

Ronald G. Beck .. Treble	Bryan C. Stirland .. 5
David G. Massey .. 2	Gwilmyn Salmon .. 6
Rev. C. J. B. Marshall .. 3	George W. Massey .. 7
Edgar C. Shepherd .. 4	Edward J. Chivers .. Tenor

Composed by James Topp.

Conducted by Edward J. Chivers.

First in the method as conductor.

**PORTISHEAD.** Somerset.—At the Church of St. Peter.

*On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,*

#### A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part (7th obs.).	Tenor 16 cwt.
Mrs. G. J. Simmonds .. Treble	Frederick G. Sandy .. 5
Ronald J. Gale .. 2	*Arthur J. Gould .. 6
Norman H. Coombs .. 3	Harold L. Parfrey .. 7
*F. Rodney Cole .. 4	*David J. Gale .. Tenor

Conducted by Harold L. Parfrey.

\* First peal.

A welcome to the Rev. Roger O. Fry, recently inducted Rector of this parish.

**LONG SUTTON.** Somerset.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

*On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 3 Hours,*

#### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., London Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

Tenor 17 cwt.

Max Heymann .. Treble	David K. Adnett .. 4
*Rev. C. J. B. Marshall .. 2	Edward J. Chivers .. 5
Ronald G. Beck .. 3	Robert E. Beck .. Tenor

Conducted by Edward J. Chivers.

\* First peal in seven methods.

**TWERTON-ON-AVON.** Bath, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

*On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,*

#### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 12 extents of Reverse St. Bartholomew and 30 extents of Grand-sire.

*Robin L. Coles (14) .. Treble	Alan F. Lee .. 4
*Shirley A. Cox (13) .. 2	David A. Burt .. 5
*Ian P. Cox (13) .. 3	†Michael J. Hawkins (14) Tenor

Conducted by Alan F. Lee.

\* First peal in two methods. † First peal.

Rung for the wedding of Dr. Donald Pilton and Miss Susan Collins.

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

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

*On Tues., Nov. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,*

#### A PEAL OF 5056 ULLESTHORPE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F.

Basil Jones .. Treble	Derek F. Yates .. 5
Eileen M. Fearn .. 2	David Wilcox .. 6
Kathleen Pilbury .. 3	Alan McFall .. 7
Carol Fernley .. 4	Robert B. Smith .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by Basil Jones.

Rung with the bells half-muffled in memoriam Dr. E. Gwyn Thomas.

**ALTON.** Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

*On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes,*

#### A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

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

David Wilcox .. Treble	Basil Jones .. 5
Derek F. Yates .. 2	Alan McFall .. 6
Robert J. Warrilow .. 3	Frank Osbaldeston .. 7
Richard J. Warrilow .. 4	*Robert B. Smith .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. Sedgley (No. 14).

Conducted by Basil Jones.

\* 250th peal for the Guild.

**DARESBURY.** Cheshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

*On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,*

#### A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Burton's.	Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr.
*Cynthia Woods .. Treble	Harold Worrall .. 5
*John Ryder .. 2	Peter Horne .. 6
David Vincent .. 3	Harry W. Howard .. 7
Henry Parker .. 4	*Roy Forster .. Tenor

Conducted by Harold Worrall.

\* First peal in the method.

Rung half-muffled to commemorate Remembrance Day.

**CHELFORD.** Cheshire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist.

*On Mon., Oct. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,*

#### A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 42 extents in eight methods: Five each of Reverse Canterbury, Southrepps Pleasure, Clifford's Pleasure, Kennington, Plain Bob, April Day, and Reverse St. Bartholomew, and seven of Grandsire.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

David Harradine .. Treble	Brian Schofield .. 4
Leonard Copnall .. 2	Ernest Pimlott .. 5
Robert Barratt .. 3	*Michael Todd .. Tenor

Conducted by Ernest Pimlott.

\* First peal.

**ASTBURY.** Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

*On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,*

#### A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of London, Wells, Bourne, Beverley, Surfleet, Cambridge and Norwich Surprise.

Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

Norman Sherratt .. Treble	*Paul J. Atkins .. 4
Harold Dowler .. 2	Walter Sherratt .. 5
*Barry Corbishley .. 3	Roy Worrall .. Tenor

Conducted by Roy Worrall.

\* First peal of seven Surprise Minor.

**THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**CHURCH LAWFORD.** Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

*On Wed., Aug. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,*

#### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Leslie A. Whewall .. Treble	John Watkins .. 4
Jill Belcher .. 2	*Peter Lock .. 5
K. Paul Gilliver .. 3	Aubrey G. Eveleigh .. Tenor

Conducted by Aubrey G. Eveleigh.

\* First peal.

**HARBURY.** Warwickshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

*On Tues., Nov. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,*

#### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being four extents of Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 lb. in G.

*Peter C. Randall .. Treble	Geoffrey W. Randall .. 4
†Clare F. Dolphin .. 2	F. Mark Robottom .. 5
‡Ian R. Stevens .. 3	Ian C. Maycock .. Tenor

Conducted by Ian C. Maycock.

\* First peal. † First 'inside' and of Minor. ‡ First in two methods.



**CUMBERLAND AND N. WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION.**  
**ST. BEES, Cumberland.**—At the Priory Church of SS. Mary and Bega.  
*On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**  
 Tenor 13 cwt. 10 lb. in F.  
 Pauline Turner .. .. Treble Nicholas M. Newby, jun. 5  
 James E. Dickinson .. 2 Harold Wilson .. .. 6  
 John H. McTear .. .. 3 Bernard Moss .. .. 7  
 John A. Haile .. .. 4 \*Thomas F. Metcalfe .. Tenor  
 Composed by G. Davies. Conducted by Bernard Moss.  
 \* 50th peal.  
 Rung for All Saints' Day.

**THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.**  
**WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH, Devon.**—At the Church of  
 St. John-the-Evangelist.  
*On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**  
 Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb. in F.  
 \*Nigel D. Shepherd .. Treble \*Hugh L. Crisp .. .. 5  
 R. John Quick .. .. 2 George E. Retter .. .. 6  
 Frank D. Mack .. .. 3 \*Bryan F. Coles .. .. 7  
 William J. Harvey .. 4 \*Arthur E. Knight .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by J. J. Parker. Conducted by George E. Retter.  
 \* First peal. † First of Grandsire.  
 Rung to mark the centenary of the consecration of the church,  
 November 3rd, 1864.

**THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
**MORPETH, Northumberland.**—At the Watch Tower.  
*On Wed., Oct. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**  
 Tenor 10 cwt. 26 lb. in G.  
 Michael Maughan .. Treble James Crowther .. .. 5  
 William Davidson .. 2 George S. Deas .. .. 6  
 \*D. Graham Hall .. 3 David J. Marshall .. 7  
 M. Elaine Murcott .. 4 Eric N. Harrison .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by J. Carter. Conducted by Eric N. Harrison.  
 \* First peal.

**SUNDERLAND, Co. Durham.**—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.  
*On Wed., Nov. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb. in F.  
 John E. Anderson .. Treble Kenneth Lawson .. .. 5  
 Jennifer Sceeney .. 2 David J. Marshall .. 6  
 M. Elaine Murcott .. 3 Michael Maughan .. .. 7  
 George S. Deas .. .. 4 Eric N. Harrison .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by G. Baker. Conducted by Eric N. Harrison.  
 First peal in the method as conductor.

**JARROW-ON-TYNE, Co. Durham.**—At the Church of St. Peter.  
*On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**  
 Being seven extents. Tenor 8½ cwt.  
 Rodney A. Yeates .. Treble James Crowther .. .. 4  
 Andrew G. Craddock .. 2 Rev. Frederick Ross .. 5  
 William Davidson .. 3 Michael Maughan .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Michael Maughan.

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**  
**HARWICH, Essex.**—At the Church of St. Nicholas.  
*On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**  
 Tenor 13½ cwt.  
 J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 13½ cwt.  
 George Waterman .. Treble Edward E. Davey .. .. 5  
 Harry J. Millatt .. 2 \*John F. Felgate .. .. 6  
 Alfred E. Honeywood .. 3 Frank B. Lufkin .. .. 7  
 Alan R. Andrews .. 4 Walter R. Felgate .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.  
 \* First peal of Grandsire Triples.

**MALDON, Essex.**—At the Church of All Saints.  
*On Fri., Nov. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 In four methods, being 1,440 Yorkshire, 1,120 Rutland and 1,280 each  
 of Cambridge and Lincolnshire, with 69 changes of method.  
 Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in F.  
 Ian Foster .. .. Treble \*Joe E. G. Roast .. .. 5  
 \*Peter G. Brown .. 2 Ian R. Panton .. .. 6  
 Philip J. Rothera .. 3 Dennis A. S. Symonds .. 7  
 Peter J. Eves .. .. 4 \*James L. Towler .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by P. G. K. Davies. Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.  
 \* First touch of Spliced Surprise Major. † 50th peal together.

**THAXTED, Essex.**—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, Our Lady  
 and St. Lawrence.  
*On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 15 cwt. 2 lb.  
 Robert C. Heazel .. Treble Vernon Green .. .. 5  
 Claudia A. Critchley .. 2 Colin A. S. Harwood .. 6  
 G. William Critchley .. 3 J. Richard Castledine .. 7  
 \*Dennis A. Hewitt .. 4 John F. Crampion .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by W. Eric Critchley. Conducted by G. William Critchley.  
 \* First peal in the method.

**DOWNHAM, Essex.**—At the Church of St. Margaret.  
*On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**  
 Being seven extents in five methods: (1) Ipswich Surprise, (2 and 3)  
 Cambridge Surprise, (4) Oxford T.B., (5) Kent T.B., (6 and 7) Plain  
 Bob. Tenor 7 cwt.  
 \*Michael Houghton .. Treble Harry Turner .. .. 4  
 \*David Houghton .. 2 Raymond Jones .. .. 5  
 David Ingrove .. .. 3 Colin Tiffin .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Colin Tiffin.  
 \* First peal.

**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
**CHELTENHAM, Gloucestershire.**—At the Church of  
 St. Mary-the-Virgin.  
*On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES**  
 Tenor 22 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb. in E flat.  
 Tudor P. Edwards .. Treble John Manley .. .. 7  
 Elisabeth A. G. Bowden .. 2 Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 8  
 Jacqueline S. King .. 3 Cyril A. Wratten .. .. 9  
 Richard S. Starkie .. 4 John H. Fielden .. .. 10  
 Valerie M. Willard .. 5 Rev. Roger O. Fry .. .. 11  
 Richard Bowden .. 6 David J. King .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by D. E. Parsons. Conducted by Tudor P. Edwards.

**SWINDON, Wiltshire.**—At Christ Church.  
*On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS**  
 Tenor 22 cwt. 9 lb. in E flat.  
 \*Michael Scowen .. Treble Peter J. Shipton .. .. 6  
 †† Shirley H. Little .. 2 Frank W. Lewis .. .. 7  
 †§ Michael D. Penny .. 3 Michael J. Stanley .. .. 8  
 Eunice A. Lewis .. 4 Eric Sutton .. .. 9  
 § Peter Minchin .. 5 Brian J. Luff .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by Albert M. Tyler. Conducted by Eric Sutton.  
 \* First peal attempt. † First 'inside.' ‡ First in the method.  
 § First on ten bells. || First of Caters.  
 Rung on the 113th anniversary of the dedication of Christ Church.

**SLYMBRIDGE, Gloucestershire.**—At the Church of  
 St. John-the-Evangelist.  
*On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**  
 Being seven different extents. Tenor 12½ cwt.  
 John H. Taylor .. Treble Alan Tubb .. .. 4  
 Andrew Howard .. 2 Hugh N. Evans .. .. 5  
 David Huddleston .. 3 Henry Taysom .. .. Tenor  
 Conducted by Hugh N. Evans.

**THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**ASHTED, Surrey.**—At the Church of St. Giles.  
*On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5120 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb. in F.  
 Martyn W. Harbott .. Treble \*Eric Edmondson .. .. 5  
 \*Julia A. Fellows .. 2 \*Martyn L. J. Jordan .. 6  
 Ruth M. Foreman .. 3 \*Michael D. Frost .. .. 7  
 Edgar R. Rapley .. 4 Gerald Penney .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by R. F. B. Speed. Conducted by Gerald Penney.  
 \* First peal in the method.  
 A birthday compliment to Mrs. Pat Frost.

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**  
**MARDEN, Kent.**—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.  
*On Tues., Nov. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5008 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 Tenor 14½ cwt. in F.  
 Ernest J. Ladd .. Treble Peter Carter .. .. 5  
 Trevor A. Cross .. 2 Reginald E. Lambert .. 6  
 Robert T. Lambert .. 3 S. Geoffrey Waters .. 7  
 Thomas E. Sone .. 4 Martin L. Howe .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by N. J. Pitstow. Conducted by Martin L. Howe.  
 Dedicated affectionately to the memory of the dearly loved Vicar of  
 Marden, the Rev. Cecil G. Eagling.

**ERITH, Kent.**—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.  
*On Fri., Nov. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.*  
**A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**  
 In four methods, comprising 1,600 of Cambridge, 1,472 of Bristol,  
 1,216 of Superlative and 768 of London, with 118 changes of method.  
 Tenor 15 cwt. in G.  
 Martin L. Howe .. Treble Frederick J. Cullum .. 5  
 Joan Beresford .. 2 Bernard F. L. Groves .. 6  
 David S. Osenton .. 3 Philip A. Corby .. .. 7  
 Andrew J. Corby .. 4 John R. Mayne .. .. Tenor  
 Composed by Albert J. Pitman. Conducted by John R. Mayne.



THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
(HAWKHURST AND DISTRICT GUILD.)  
SANDHURST, Kent.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.  
On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven extents. Tenor 12½ cwt.  
\*Philip Harrison .. Treble Bert Kemp .. 4  
†Judy Bower .. 2 ‡Herbert Pope .. 5  
Leslie Jarvis .. 3 §Geoffrey Waters .. Tenor

Conducted by Leslie Jarvis.

\* First peal. † First 'inside' and of Minor. ‡ First of Minor.  
§ 100th peal.

A wedding compliment to Brian Puxty and Patricia Willard, married at Sandhurst on October 31st.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
MILNROW, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. James.  
On Sun., Nov. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Derek Butterworth .. Treble Geoffrey Cheetham .. 5  
John P. Partington .. 2 Jeffrey Kershaw .. 6  
Margaret E. Fort .. 3 Philip J. H. Hudson .. 7  
Richard J. Parker .. 4 Ivan Kay .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. Worsley.

In thanks for the safe arrival of Aidan Philip Mark, son of the conductor. Tenor 18 cwt. 2 lb. in E.

ROCHDALE, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Chad.  
On Tues., Nov. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lb.

\*Eileen Cross .. Treble Derek Butterworth .. 5  
Margaret E. Fort .. 2 Dennis Latham .. 6  
Jeffrey Kershaw .. 3 Philip J. Crossthwaite .. 7  
John P. Partington .. 4 Derek A. Ashton .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pitstow.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. First as conductor.

WALSDEN, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.  
On Sun., Nov. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

\*Richard J. Parker .. Treble \*J. M. Donald Bateman .. 5  
\*Jeffrey Kershaw .. 2 \*Colin R. Milthorpe .. 6  
Derek Butterworth .. 3 †John P. Partington .. 7  
Margaret E. Fort .. 4 †Ivan Kay .. Tenor

\* First peal of Triples. † 25th together. Tenor 9 cwt. 4 lb. in G.  
Rung for the birth of a daughter to the Vicar and Mrs. A. Brown; also a 21st birthday compliment to Trevor Bateman, a local ringer.

(THE PRESTON BRANCH.)

PENWORTHAM, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
On Sun., Oct. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb. in A.  
\*Roger Barnes .. Treble Margaret Crossthwaite .. 4  
\*Philip J. Crossthwaite .. 2 Cyril Crossthwaite .. 5  
\*Dennis H. McCormick .. 3 Richard Price .. Tenor

Conducted by Philip J. Crossthwaite.

\* First peal attempt. First as conductor. The tenor ringer has now 'circled the tower' to peals.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss Anne Walsh and the Rev. Carl Berryman, Curate at this church.

FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist.  
On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In four methods, being one extent of Single Oxford, and two each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 12½ cwt.  
Margaret E. Fort .. Treble Jeffrey Brannan .. 4  
\*Dorothy Mason .. 2 Dennis Latham .. 5  
John P. Partington .. 3 Philip A. Mason .. Tenor

Conducted by Dennis Latham.

\* First peal 'inside'.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
ANSTEY, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
On Fri., Oct. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

David F. Moore .. Treble Brian S. Chapman .. 5  
\*G. Barry Brown .. 2 Alan E. Hartley .. 6  
A. Maxwell Lindsey .. 3 R. Kingsley Mason .. 7  
William A. Lacey .. 4 Leslie N. Melton .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. Worsley.

Rung as a compliment to Michael and Dorothy Vernon on the birth of a daughter.

\* First peal in the method.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

SAPCOTE, Leicestershire.—At the Church of All Saints.  
On Mon., Nov. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

In seven methods, viz.: London, Wells, York, Bourne, Beverley, Surfleet and Cambridge. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in A flat.  
Valerie Watts .. Treble Arthur E. Rowley .. 4  
Christine J. Stratford .. 2 Brian L. Burrows .. 5  
R. Kingsley Mason .. 3 Michael E. Brown .. Tenor

Conducted by Michael E. Brown.

Rung for All Saints' Day.

BURBAGE, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Catherine.  
On Fri., Nov. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Middleton's. Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lb. in F sharp.  
\*Valerie Watts .. Treble Brian L. Burrows .. 5  
Ernest W. Rawson .. 2 John Watkins .. 6  
†Christopher M. Sturgess .. 3 John Vernon .. 7  
Richard J. Clifton .. 4 Michael E. Brown .. Tenor

Conducted by Michael E. Brown.

\* First peal of Treble Bob Major. † First of Major in the method 'inside.'

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

SCOTHERN, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Germain.  
On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In 11 methods: (1) Double Court, (2) Single Court, (3) Kent and Oxford T.B., (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) Double Oxford, Thelwall, St. Clement's and Childwall, (6) Single Oxford, (7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 11 cwt.

G. Angus Dixon .. Treble W. Robert Parker .. 4  
W. Stanley Smith .. 2 Geoffrey R. Parker .. 5  
Charles V. Cade .. 3 Louis Willders .. Tenor

Conducted by G. Angus Dixon.

For the Patronal Festival.

LONDON COUNTY ASSN. & N. SOUTHWARK DIO. GUILD  
ISLEWORTH, Middlesex.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Wed., Nov. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Composer's Circuits A.W. Tenor 16 cwt. 24 lb. in E.  
Rosemary Rich .. Treble Peter N. Felton .. 6  
Patricia Rogers .. 2 W. David Ward .. 7  
Charles T. Richards .. 3 William Birmingham .. 8  
Mrs. Olive L. Rogers .. 4 Wilfrid G. Wilson .. 9

\*Michael Hatchett .. 5 Harold W. Rogers .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. Sedgley. Conducted by Harold W. Rogers.

\* First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Royal.

Rung to mark the institution and induction, on November 2nd, of the Rev. J. Derek Hayward, B.A., to this parish.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.  
ESHER, Surrey.—At Christ Church.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in A flat.

\*Roger D. Bailey .. Treble Clive W. Simpson .. 5  
John Spreadbury .. 2 Leonard J. North .. 6  
Peter M. Fleckney .. 3 Michael J. Hallett .. 7  
Christine M. Rimmer .. 4 John R. Ketteringham .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by John R. Ketteringham.

\* 50th tower for a peal.

Rung with the best wishes of the band to Clive Simpson, of Harrow-on-the-Hill, Middlesex, and Jean Millett, of Keighley, Yorkshire, on their engagement.

PUTNEY, London.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.  
On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In eight methods, being 1,600 London, 1,280 Rutland, 640 Bristol, and 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire, with 110 changes of method. Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in F.

David T. Darby .. Treble \*David A. H. Bennett .. 5  
Jennifer M. Cook .. 2 Andrew N. Stubbs .. 5  
Lawrence R. H. Smith .. 3 Robert N. Harris .. 7  
Christine C. Macnair .. 4 †Robert C. Kippin .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman. Conducted by Robert C. Kippin.

\* First of Spliced Surprise. † First of Spliced Surprise Major in eight methods.

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## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

All rung at the Bell Foundry Campanile, Loughborough.

On Wed., July 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

G. Ronald Edwards .. Treble	Joseph W. Cotton .. 6
Rev. Malcolm C. C. Melville 2	George H. Roobottom .. 7
Richard J. Clifton .. 3	R. Kingsley Mason .. 8
John K. Smith .. 4	Derek P. Jones .. 9
Ian G. Fraser .. 5	*Edwin Deakin .. Tenor

Composed by Edgar C. Shepherd.

\* First peal on ten bells.

On Tues., Sept. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5000 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

G. Ronald Edwards .. Treble	Joseph W. Cotton .. 6
Raymond Benfield .. 2	*Dan S. Pont .. 7
Richard J. Clifton .. 3	Roland H. Cook .. 8
Rev. Malcolm C. C. Melville 4	R. Kingsley Mason .. 9
Arthur E. Rowley .. 5	Derek P. Jones .. Tenor

Arranged by Stephen Ivin.

\* 50th peal.

On Thurs., July 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

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

Richard J. Clifton .. Treble	Ian G. Fraser .. 5
Joseph W. Cotton .. 2	John K. Smith .. 6
Rev. Malcolm C. C. Melville 3	R. Kingsley Mason .. 7
*Dan S. Pont .. 4	Derek P. Jones .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. Roberts.

\* First peal in the method.

Rung in memory of Leonard P. Fidler, formerly Ringing Captain. St. Mary's, Hitchin, Herts, and president of the Hertford County Association, 1947.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

PACKINGTON, Leicestershire.—At the Church of the Holy Rood.

On Mon., July 27, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Being two extents each of Kent and Oxford, and three of Cambridge Surprise.	Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in B flat.
*Edwin Deakin .. Treble	Derek P. Jones .. 4
Arthur E. Rowley .. 2	John K. Smith .. 5
Joseph W. Cotton .. 3	Richard J. Clifton .. Tenor

Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

\* First peal of Treble Bob.

A 40th birthday compliment to the conductor.

## THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

NEWCASTLE, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5021 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Tenor 16 cwt.

Eric Young .. Treble	*Raymond Ballard .. 6
Geoffrey C. Beech .. 2	*David J. Midgley .. 7
*Leslie Walley .. 3	Andrew Thomson .. 8
Charles S. Ryles .. 4	G. Arnold Moore .. 9
*Philip Gay .. 5	William Watkin .. Tenor

Composed by J. W. Washbrook.

\* First of Grandsire Caters.

A compliment to the Rev. Connop Price, Rector, and Mrs. Price, on their silver wedding anniversary.

BROUGHTON, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

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

E. Marion Key .. Treble	*Raymond Ballard .. 5
Arnold Moore .. 2	Edward V. Rodenhurst .. 6
Geoffrey Beech .. 3	Ian Friep .. 7
Howard Howell .. 4	Barnabas G. Key .. Tenor

Composed by H. Wilde.

\* First peal in the method.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

GREAT YARMOUTH, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Middleton's.	Tenor 30 cwt. 60 lb. in D.
A. William Bird .. Treble	George W. Fletcher .. 5
H. William Barrett .. 2	Bert Gogle .. 6
William B. Duncan .. 3	Henry Tooke .. 7
J. Barry Pickup .. 4	Nolan Golden .. Tenor

Conducted by Nolan Golden.

Rung for the Feast of All Saints on the fifth anniversary of the opening of the bells.

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

On Wed., Nov. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 22 cwt. 105 lb. in E flat.

Elsie K. Hart .. Treble	Bert Gogle .. 5
Sidney Marshall .. 2	Kevin S. Hohl .. 6
Nolan Golden .. 3	George P. Adams .. 7
*George Hart .. 4	H. William Barrett .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Nolan Golden.

SALLE, Norfolk.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Pritchard's Four-Part.	Tenor 18 cwt. in E.
Henry Tooke .. Treble	Nolan Golden .. 5
David R. Saunderson .. 2	Leslie F. Bailey .. 6
George E. Bonham .. 3	Rev. Giles C. Galley .. 7
Peter Woollven .. 4	Philip Mehew .. Tenor

Conducted by Rev. Giles C. Galley.

Rung as a welcome to the conductor's parents to Heydon Rectory with Salle.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 8 cwt. 48 lb. in G.

George E. Bonham .. Treble	Nolan Golden .. 5
Peter Woollven .. 2	Henry Tooke .. 6
Rev. Giles C. Galley .. 3	Leslie F. Bailey .. 7
Philip Mehew .. 4	David R. Saunderson .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Nolan Golden.

SWAFFHAM, Norfolk.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sun., Nov. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours.

**A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. in E.

*Frank Sutton .. Treble	Thomas E. Spight .. 5
Edward Howes .. 2	Ernest H. Mastin .. 6
William Clover .. 3	Peter M. Adcock .. 7
Sidney Marshall .. 4	Norman V. Harding .. Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.

Conducted by Norman V. Harding.

\* First peal

NORWICH.—At the Church of St. Giles-on-the-Hill.

On Tues., Nov. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 13 cwt. 104 lb. in F.
A. Spencer Brothers .. Treble	John Knights .. 5
David Cubitt .. 2	George Sayer .. 6
Martin Cubitt .. 3	H. William Barrett .. 7
Clifford Bird .. 4	F. Charles Goodman .. Tenor

Conducted by George Sayer.

Rung half-muffled as a tribute to the memory of the Rev. D. E. Rae, for 23 years Vicar of this church, who was cremated this day.

NORTH ELMHAM, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt.

John R. Smith .. Treble	N. John A. Pumphrey .. 5
Sidney Marshall .. 2	*Kevin S. Hohl .. 6
Edward Howes .. 3	*Derick W. Pardon .. 7
*Roy E. Cullington .. 4	H. William Barrett .. Tenor

Composed by J. Cox.

Conducted by John R. Smith.

\* First peal in the method.

NORWICH.—At the Church of St. George Colegate.

On Thurs., Nov. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 27 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent each of Wells Surprise, London Surprise, Norwich Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb.

H. William Barrett .. Treble	Thomas E. Spight .. 4
David Cubitt .. 2	Martin Cubitt .. 5
*Peter Adcock .. 3	David E. House .. Tenor

Conducted by David E. House.

\* 100th peal for the Association.

For the happy deliverance of King James I and the three estates of England from the most traterous and bloody-intended massacre by gunpowder.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

HENLEY-ON-THAMES, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. in D.

Wilfrid G. Wilson .. Treble	Howard Oglesby .. 5
Alan R. Pink .. 2	William Birmingham .. 6
Michael Hatchett .. 3	David P. Hilling .. 7
Giles R. Shedden .. 4	Frederick R. Scott .. Tenor

Composed by Joseph J. Parker.

Conducted by David P. Hilling.

First peal of Surprise on the bells.

KINGHAM, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in F sharp.

S. Kathleen M. Baldwin Treble	D. Kay Adkins .. 5
Elsie K. Hart .. 2	Peter D. Beedie .. 6
Frederick W. Soden .. 3	Roger Baldwin .. 7
H. George Hart .. 4	John R. Mayne .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

Conducted by John R. Mayne.



## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

WATLINGTON, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Leonard.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 GAINSBOROUGH SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 24 cwt. 98 lb. in E. flat.

Peter J. Heritage .. .. Treble	Christopher C. Clarke .. . 5
William Birmingham .. . 2	Sydney M. Bailey .. . 6
*Norman V. Harding .. . 3	David P. Hilling .. . 7
*Michael Hatchett .. . 4	Alan R. Pink .. . Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

Conducted by Alan R. Pink.

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

Rung for the Feast of St. Leonard.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

DAVENTRY, Northants.—At the Church of The Holy Cross.

On Sun., Nov. 1, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In six methods, containing 960 London, 928 Watford, 896 Bristol and 832 each of Cambridge, Pudsey and Superlative, with 12 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in E flat.

Patrick I. Chapman .. Treble	Alan A. Paul .. . 5
Avril Ivin .. . 2	Barrie Hendry .. . 6
Alan J. Frost .. . 3	Stephen Ivin .. . 7
Graham C. Paul .. . 4	Peter Border .. . Tenor

Composed by Albert J. Pitman.

Conducted by Peter Border.

WELFORD, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

## A PEAL OF 5184 KENDAL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in F sharp.

Ronald Russell .. . Treble	James Linnell .. . 5
Alan A. Paul .. . 2	Graham C. Paul .. . 6
Roger W. Smith .. . 3	Charles E. Truman .. . 7
Barry E. Saunders .. . 4	George E. Green .. . Tenor

Composed by H. G. Cashmore.

Conducted by Graham C. Paul.

First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells and for the Guild.

LAMPOR, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of All Hallows.

On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 1 Hour and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINIMUS

Tenor 7 cwt. approx.

*Geoffrey J. Thomas .. Treble	Hilary Knight .. . 3
†Joyce M. Clipston .. . 2	Roy H. Jones .. . Tenor

Conducted by Roy H. Jones.

\* First peal. † First of Minimus. First peal on the bells and first peal of Minimus for the Guild.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

BIRMINGHAM.—At the Church of S.S. Peter &amp; Paul, Aston.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 24 cwt. 102 lb. in D.

Peter Border .. . Treble	Edward W. Colley .. . 7
Maryl R. Crossthaite .. . 2	Michael J. Fellows .. . 8
Susan Funnell .. . 3	Norman J. Goodman .. . 9
John C. Eisel .. . 4	Barrie Hendry .. . 10
Martin D. Fellows .. . 5	David J. Purnell .. . 11
George E. Fearn .. . 6	J. Alan Ainsworth .. . Tenor

Arranged by R. W. Pipe.

Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

KING'S NORTON, Birmingham.—At the Church of St. Nicolas.

On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE ROYAL

Being 1800 London No. 3, 1640 Cambridge and 1600 Yorkshire, with 49 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.

Henry H. Fearn .. . Treble	John C. Eisell .. . 6
Roderick W. Pipe .. . 2	Norman J. Goodman .. . 7
Susan Funnell .. . 3	George E. Fearn .. . 8
B. Gillian Schofield .. . 4	J. Alan Ainsworth .. . 9
Maryl R. Crossthaite .. . 5	Peter Border .. . Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

BIRMINGHAM.—At the Church of St. Martin.

On Tues., Nov. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt.

Robert E. Hardy .. . Treble	Maurice G. Ingram .. . 5
Michael J. Fellows .. . 2	Clive M. Smith .. . 6
John C. Eisel .. . 3	Martin D. Fellows .. . 7
George E. Fearn .. . 4	J. Alan Ainsworth .. . Tenor

Composed by Richard F. B. Speed.

Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

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

On Thurs., Nov. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 LONDONDERRY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 38 lb. in A.

Frederick Shallcross .. Treble	Roderick W. Pipe .. . 5
Edward W. Colley .. . 2	Martin D. Fellows .. . 6
Peter Border .. . 3	George E. Fearn .. . 7
Norman J. Goodman .. . 4	J. Alan Ainsworth .. . Tenor

Composed by Frank Bennett.

Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

First peal in the method by all the band.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

EAST MARKHAM, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of

St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 17 lb. in F.

Joyce M. Gurnhill .. . Treble	†David D. Parsons .. . 5
Harold F. Gibson .. . 2	G. Angus Dixon .. . 6
Geoffrey R. Parker .. . 3	Peter A. Sharp .. . 7
*C. Antony Parsons .. . 4	Geoffrey Paul .. . Tenor

Composed by Arthur Knights.

Conducted by Geoffrey Paul.

\* First peal of Major. † First of Treble Bob Major.

TUXFORD, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. J. Parker's twelve part.

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 15 lb. in G.

Anne E. Bateson .. . Treble	Katharine Burchnall .. . 5
*Paul Raithby .. . 2	Grace Burchnall .. . 6
†Susan J. Moxon .. . 3	Jack L. Millhouse .. . 7
†Robert A. Beresford .. . 4	John Walden .. . Tenor

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

\* First peal 'inside'. † First of Triples.

Rung to welcome Rev. T. W. Swift as Vicar of the Parish.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

PENKRIDGE, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Michael &amp; All Angels.

On Sat., Oct. 30, 1964 in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt.

William H. Dowse .. . Treble	John Worth .. . 5
Harold C. Lonyon .. . 2	C. Kenneth Lewis .. . 6
Robert Warrilow .. . 3	Basil Jones .. . 7
Alan McFall .. . 4	A. Peter Whitehead .. . Tenor

Composed by G. Lindoff.

Conducted by John Worth.

BARTON-UNDER-NEEDWOOD, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in F.

Philip G. K. Davies .. Treble	*Remi M. Hodister .. . 5
*D. Kay Moore .. . 2	*Michael W. Fairey .. . 6
*Marlene E. Townsend .. 3	Clive M. Smith .. . 7
*Lucy Smith .. . 4	John McDonald .. . Tenor

Composed by G. Baker.

Conducted by John McDonald.

\* First peal in the method

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

BARKING, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Seven different extents.

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in G.

Robert E. Lester .. . Treble	Lawrence R. Pizzev .. . 4
Gilbert R. Goodship .. . 2	Alice E. J. Lester .. . 5
Mrs. E. J. Lockwood .. . 3	*Neville F. Whittell .. . Tenor

Conducted by Robert E. Lester.

\* 75th peal.

A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ivings. of Euston.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

LEIGH, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew.

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb. in A.

*Christopher J. N. Dalton Treble	†Richard C. Stevens .. . 4
Robert J. Cooles .. . 2	Eric Nixon .. . 5
Alan Streeter .. . 3	Keith G. Game .. . Tenor

Conducted by Keith G. Game.

\* First peal. † First on six. First as conductor. First peal on the bells for 34 years.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

FAIRWARP, Sussex.—At Christ Church.

On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr.

Lucile M. Corby .. . Treble	D. Paul Smith .. . 5
Judith M. Corby .. . 2	Edward J. Jenner .. . 6
*Isabel M. Pearce .. . 3	Andrew J. Corby .. . 7
Paul Dye .. . 4	Philip A. Corby .. . Tenor

Composed by R. F. B. Speed.

Conducted by Andrew J. Corby.

\* First of Surprise 'inside'.

Rung as a wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Jenner.



# THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

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

On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. J. Parker's twelve part.

*Karen Faithfull .. .. Treble	Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb. in G.
Carolyn Vibert .. .. 2	John R. Faithfull .. .. 5
*Colin J. Butler .. .. 3	†Peter J. Joyce .. .. 6
Maurice J. Butler .. .. 4	David J. Forder .. .. 7
	Michael J. Thomas .. Tenor

Conducted by David J. Forder.

\* First peal attempt. † First in the method.

SWANMORE, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Barnabas.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In eleven methods, being two extents of Stedman and four each of Shipway's Place Bob, St. Nicholas Bob, Winchendon Place Bob, St. Remigius Bob, St. Simon's Bob, St. Martin's Bob, St. Osmund's Bob, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, Grandsire and Plain Bob.

Tenor 8½ cwt. in A.

*Dorothy G. Smith .. .. Treble	*Derek J. White .. .. 4
*Betty J. Daysh .. .. 2	Charles E. Bassett .. .. 5
Ramon A. Stone .. .. 3	*Peter Godman .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Charles E. Bassett.

\* Most methods to a peal.

A compliment to Derek White on the occasion of his engagement.

# THE WORCESTERSHIRE & DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

HARTLEBURY, Worcs.—At the Church of St. James.

On Thurs., Oct. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Maurice G. Ingram .. Treble	Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 5
Susan Funnell .. .. 2	Michael J. Fellows .. .. 6
*John R. Insley .. .. 3	Martin D. Fellows .. .. 7
James Insley .. .. 4	J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

\* First peal in the method. Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in E flat. Rung to mark the 50th anniversary of the Battle of Gheluvelt.

HANBURY, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sun., Nov. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5216 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb. in F sharp.

James Attwood, jun. .. Treble	Ian Lloyd .. .. 5
Michael G. Selby .. .. 2	John R. Insley .. .. 6
*Paul L. McEvilly .. .. 3	Geoffrey J. Hemming .. .. 7
Arthur C. Berry .. .. 4	Gerald C. Hemming .. Tenor

Composed by Dennis Knox.

Conducted by Gerald C. Hemming.

\* First peal of Lincolnshire.

# THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

WAKEFIELD, Yorkshire.—At the Cathedral Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Oct. 17, 1964, in 3 Hours and 36 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5037 GRANDSIRE CINQUES

Geoffrey F. Bryant .. Treble	†Austin T. Wingate .. .. 7
Peter Woodward .. .. 2	†George T. Cousins .. .. 8
Neil Donovan .. .. 3	John S. Seager .. .. 9
*Peter Schofield .. .. 4	†R. Gordon Corby .. .. 10
Wilfrid F. Moreton .. .. 5	John N. D. Chaddock .. 11
J. Neville Parkin .. .. 6	John E. Kirby .. .. Tenor

Composed by M. J. Morris.

Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.

\* First peal of Grandsire Cinques. † First of Cinques. ‡ First of Cinques 'inside.' Tenor 35 cwt. 1 qr. in C.

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

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 25½ cwt. in D.

Barry Sullivan .. .. Treble	Ian M. Holland .. .. 6
David W. Friend .. .. 2	Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 7
Leonard Goodall .. .. 3	Neil Bennett .. .. 8
Roger J. Lumley .. .. 4	Frederick Shallcross .. 9
J. Neville Parkin .. .. 5	Clifford A. Barron .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

HALIFAX, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5000 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 28 cwt. in D.

Frederick Shallcross .. Treble	Barry Sullivan .. .. 6
Neil Bennett .. .. 2	J. Neville Parkin .. .. 7
Clifford A. Barron .. .. 3	Leonard Goodall .. .. 8
Roger J. Lumley .. .. 4	David W. Friend .. .. 9
Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 5	Ian M. Holland .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

ROTHERHAM, Yorks.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sun., Nov. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 34½ cwt.

*Tessa Hollis .. .. Treble	David Nichols .. .. 6
Stuart Armeson .. .. 2	Norman Chaddock .. .. 7
Elsie Chaddock .. .. 3	Neil Donovan .. .. 8
John Bruce .. .. 4	John N. D. Chaddock .. 9
Richard E. Price .. .. 5	Philip Walker .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. Carter.

Conducted by Norman Chaddock.

\* First peal on 10 bells.

Rung on Remembrance Sunday prior to Evensong with the bells half-muffled.

HALIFAX, Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Souls, Haley Hill.

On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's variation.	Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr. 1 lb. in D.
Geoffrey F. Bryant .. Treble	Roger J. Lumley .. .. 5
*Anne Parkin .. .. 2	Barry Sullivan .. .. 6
J. Henry Fielden .. .. 3	Wilfrid F. Moreton .. .. 7
John F. Bryant .. .. 4	J. Neville Parkin .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.

\* First peal of Stedman. Believed to be the first peal of Stedman on the bells.

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

On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 11 lb. in E.

*Arthur Bashforth .. Treble	†Edwin P. King .. .. 5
Bert Sutton .. .. 2	†Stephen Wright .. .. 6
William Fay .. .. 3	Thomas M. Cox .. .. 7
Edward Hudson .. .. 4	Fred Hodgson .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. Howlett.

Conducted by Bert Sutton.

\* First peal on eight. † First of Major.

HEPTONSTALL, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Thomas.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt.

Peter A. Kirkby .. .. Treble	*Geoffrey W. Randall .. 5
Iris M. E. Lemare .. .. 2	Colin Sweeney .. .. 6
Frances Fairbank .. .. 3	Geoffrey F. Bryant .. .. 7
*Stephen F. Royal .. .. 4	J. Henry Fielden .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pitslow.

Conducted by J. Henry Fielden.

\* First peal of London.

# HANDBELL PEALS

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

MARPLE, Cheshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sun., Oct. 25, 1964, in 1 Hour and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor size 15 in C.

Being seven extents.	1—2   Robert B. Smith .. 3—4
William H. Dowse .. .. 1—2	Alan McFall (cond.) .. 5—6

First peal as conductor on handbells.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
STRATTON ST. MARGARET, Wiltshire.—At 33, Bridge End Road.

On Mon., Nov. 9, 1964, in 2 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MINOR

Consisting of 96 methods in the following seven spliced extents: (1) Bastow Little Court, Felkirk, Crofton, Morland, Bodenham, Kirkthorpe, Kippax, Pencombe and Eardisley Special Alliance, Waterford and Berwyn T.B., Oswald, Barham, Berkeley, Kentish, Pembroke and Edinburg Delight, (2) Bastow Little Court, Benington, Freiston, Frampton, Butterwick, Burmarsh, Saltwood, Langton, Candlesby, Alford, Tattershall, Walcot, Penhill, Sutton, Denton, Alderbourne, Poynton, Chelford and Witcombe Special Alliance, (3) St. Clement's, Childwall, Buxton, College London Bob, Wavertree, Lytham, Rodbourne, Pinehurst, Double Oxford, Thelwall and Westleat College Bob, (4) Knutsford, Rostherne, Bogedone, Wilmslow, Stisted, Danbury, Skipton, Chepstow, Fotheringay, Balmoral, Pebmarsh, Hatherop and Ely Delight, Nelson T.B., (5) Morning Star T.B., Old Oxford, College Bob IV, Willesden, Newdigate, Neasden, St. Albans, Wragby, Charlwood, Braintree, Humber, Marple, Taxal, Clarence and Elston Delight, (6) Sandal, London Scholars', Kingston, Capel, Duke of Norfolk, College Exercise, Norbury, Ockley and Oxford T.B., Carisbrooke, Donottar, Wath, Pontefract and Alderbourne Delight, (7) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull, Bourne, and Primrose Surprise, with 190 changes of method and a plain lead of each included. Tenor size 15 in C.

Gordon W. Land .. .. 1—2	Brian Bladon .. .. 3—4
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\*Anthony R. Peake (cond.) 5—6

\* 25th peal containing 50 or more methods.

The greatest number of methods to a handbell peal by all the band, in the county and for the Association.

# THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ST. ALBANS, Hertfordshire.—At 17, Queen Street.

On Tues., Nov. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 5 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 11 in G.

*Gerald Penney .. .. 1—2	Geoffrey Dodds .. .. 5—6
†Julia A. Fellows .. .. 3—4	*Joyce Dodds .. .. 7—8

Composed by A. Craven.

Conducted by Gerald Penney.

\* 50th peal together. † First of Kent T.B. Major.

ST. ALBANS, Hertfordshire.—At 17, Queen Street.

On Fri., Nov. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 9 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 11 in G.

Gerald Penney .. .. 1—2	*Geoffrey Dodds .. .. 5—6
*Martyn L. J. Jordan .. 3—4	*Joyce Dodds .. .. 7—8

Composed by A. Craven.

Conducted by Gerald Penney.

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



**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

HARROW, Middlesex.—At 170, Headstone Lane.

On Tues., Nov. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In 16 methods, comprising 320 each of Bristol, Cambridge, Ealing, East-cote, Elford, Leatherhead, Lincolnshire, Lindum, London, Pudsey, Rutland, Superlative, Uxbridge, Watford, Wembley and Yorkshire, with 134 changes of method.

Tenor size 15 in C.  
 \*Thomas J. Lock .. 1-2 | John R. Mayne .. 5-6  
 Christopher W. Woolley 3-4 | †Frank C. Price .. 7-8

Composed and Conducted by John R. Mayne.

\* First peal of 16-spliced Surprise Major on handbells. † First of 16-spliced.

**THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

All rung at SWANSEA, Glamorgan.—At Mor-Avelon, Lon. Derw. Tycoch.

On Sun., Oct. 18, 1964, in 1 Hour and 50 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 COURT BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. 1-2 | Brian J. Woodruffe .. 3-4  
 J. Arthur Hoare .. 5-6

Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

\* 100th peal for the Guild. First in the method by all and for the Guild.

On Fri., Oct. 23, 1964, in 2 Hours.

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MINOR**

In 16 methods: (1) 216 Heatherslade College Bob, 288 St. Nicholas College Bob, and 216 Gower College Bob, (2) 432 Abertawe Bob and 288 Velindre Bob, (3) 360 Double Oxford Bob and 360 St. Clement's College Bob, (4) 360 Thelwall Bob and 360 Childwall College Bob, (5) 360 Pinehurst Bob, and 360 Buxton College Bob, (6) 576 Reverse Plain Bob and 144 Canterbury Pleasure Bob, (7) 360 Oxford Bob, 120 Double Plain Bob and 240 Plain Bob, with 87 changes of method.

Tenor size 14 in D.  
 Hazel Way .. 1-2 | Brian J. Woodruffe .. 3-4  
 J. Arthur Hoare .. 5-6

Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

First peal in 16 Minor methods on handbells by all and for the Guild.

On Sun., Oct. 25, 1964, in 1 Hour and 51 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE COURT BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents.

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. 1-2 | Brian J. Woodruffe .. 3-4  
 J. Arthur Hoare .. 5-6

Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

First peal in the method by all the band and for the Guild.

On Sun., Oct. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 7 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. 1-2 | J. Arthur Hoare .. 5-6  
 Brian J. Woodruffe .. 3-4 | Edmund J. Morris .. 7-8

Composed by J. R. Pritchard.

Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

On Mon., Oct. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 11 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5152 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. 1-2 | J. Arthur Hoare .. 5-6  
 Brian J. Woodruffe .. 3-4 | Richard J. Smith .. 7-8

Arranged and Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

On Fri., Oct. 30, 1964, in 1 Hour and 40 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 QUARR COURT BOB MINOR**

Seven different extents.

Tenor size 14 in D.

Hazel Way .. 1-2 | Brian J. Woodruffe .. 3-4  
 J. Arthur Hoare .. 5-6

Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

First peal in the method.

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

HALIFAX, Yorkshire.—At 9, First Avenue.

On Wed., Oct. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

John F. Bryant .. 1-2 | Wilfrid F. Moreton .. 5-6  
 J. Henry Fielden .. 3-4 | Geoffrey F. Bryant .. 7-8

J. Neville Parkin .. 9-10

Composed by H. J. Tucker.

Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.

QUARR COURT BOB MINOR: x 14 x 1236 x 16. l.h. = 16-52364.

**HALF PEAL**

**HIGH HAM, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 31st, 2,520 Doubles (five methods): A. Callow 1, Miss J. Crocker 2, Mrs. D. Crocker 3, R. Parker 4, F. J. White (cond.) 5. Rung for the induction of the new Vicar, the Rev. Mr. Payne.

**ADDERBURY, OXON.**—On Sept. 22nd, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): A. Bennett 1, P. E. Powell 2, C. A. Bennett 3, P. R. Davis 4, B. J. Davis (cond.) 5, J. G. Wyatt 6. Farewells to the Vicar, the Rev. A. D. Walsley, leaving for Whitechurch-on-Thames, also the conductor to Chichester Training College. Also on Nov. 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. A. Bennett 1, P. Davis 2, P. E. Powell 3, A. Bennett 4, D. Reeves 5, M. Sayers 6, R. Reeves (cond.) 7, J. Wyatt 8. First in method 'inside' 4. A compliment to Mr. A. Jackman, on his 96th birthday.

**ADELAIDE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA.**—At St. Peter's Cathedral, on Oct. 18th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. O. Goulter 1, Kaye W. Lynas 2, F. N. Smeaton 3, B. R. Cox 4, W. B. Pitcher (first of Stedman as cond.) 5, R. K. Russ 6, D. J. Bleby (first of Stedman Triples) 7, R. A. S. Adams 8. Rung for the Feast of St. Luke. First of Stedman 1 and 2. First quarter of Stedman Triples for 7.

**AMERSHAM, BUCKS.**—On Oct. 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: L. Knowles 1, F. Proctor 2, R. Benfield 3, A. Fortin (cond.) 4, R. Snack 5, N. Cox 6. An engagement compliment to Patrick Penrose and Dinah Payne.

**ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCs.**—At St. Peter's, on Nov. 2nd, 1,696 Plain Bob Major: Trudy C. Seipel (longest length) 1, Margaret Humphreys 2, Eileen Cross 3, Margaret E. Fort 4, R. J. Parker (cond.) 5, J. P. Partridge 6, C. S. Taylor 7, J. Kershaw 8.

**BATH, SOMERSET.**—At St. Michael with St. Paul's, on Nov. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: D. C. Hawkins 1, Miss J. Webber (first quarter) 2, Miss C. Mitchell (first 'inside') 3, J. G. Hobbs 4, G. J. Hawkins (cond.) 5, C. G. Jones 6.

**BATTLE, SUSSEX.**—On Oct. 14th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: A. J. Hicks (first of Cambridge) 1, Rosemary Earl 2, Valerie Mephem 3, A. R. Baldock 4, T. M. Barlow 5, I. V. J. Smith (100th quarter cond.) 6. 25th together for 3 and 4. Rung for the 898th anniversary of the Battle of Santlache Hill, October 14th, 1066, upon the site of which the church stands.

**QUARTER PEALS**

**BABRACOMBE, DEVON.**—On Nov. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. A. Caffry (first quarter) 1, K. Fursdon 2, Christine Dodridge (first quarter) 3, G. J. Roberts 4, D. J. Roberts (cond.) 5, L. J. Burton (first quarter) 6.

**BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.**—On All Saints' Day, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss M. Wingrove 1, H. Wingrove (cond.) 2, Miss G. Reeves 3, Miss D. Fletcher 4, Miss K. Fletcher 5, E. H. Langley 6, A. Bridges 7, H. J. Wingrove 8. For Patronal Festival.

**BECKENHAM, KENT.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Sonia Dobson (first of Stedman Triples) 1, Mrs. J. Ratcliffe 2, W. Rawlings 3, D. G. Brown 4, R. Hedges 5, S. Nicholls 6, P. W. Cave (cond.) 7, P. Balchin 8. For All Saints' Day.

**BETHERSDEN, KENT.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: W. W. Ring 1, Miss J. L. Young 2, D. S. C. Marshall 3, Mrs. E. Stewart 4, G. J. Stewart 5, J. R. Cooper (cond.) 6. A 21st birthday compliment to Miss J. L. Young.

**BEXHILL-ON-SEA, SUSSEX.**—On Oct. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (6, 8 covering): D. Laffar 1, A. Hicks (cond.) 2, L. Cooksey 3, J. M. Swift 4, C. Verdon 5, C. F. Pilbeam 6, R. A. Viller 8. For Harvest Festival.

**BLEWBURY, BERKS.**—On Nov. 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Corderoy 1, H. W. Dinsden 2, L. F. Cox 3, H. L. Bishop 4, C. J. Garlick 5, C. Corderoy (cond.) 6, R. B. Blond 7, E. J. Grace 8. For the wedding of Miss Diane Dawes and Mr. Norman Webb.

**BRAMFORD, SUFFOLK.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,320 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): M. J. Howes 1, R. E. Lester 2, A. J. Munnings 3, R. L. K. Whittell 4, N. F. Whittell (cond.) 5. For Evensong, and as a compliment to Miss Elizabeth Beynon and Michael Jackson, on their wedding the previous day.

**BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.**—At St. Peter's Church, on Nov. 1st, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Royal: B. J. Stone 1, Peggy Taylor 2, Angela M. Wright 3, Angela Grainger 4, Catherine M. Powell 5, M. J. Bew 6, R. I. Vaughan 7, D. P. Treble 8, A. W. Bond 9, R. J. Talbot (first of Surprise Royal as cond.) 10. First Surprise Royal 1, 2, 3, 6, 7 and 8. For Evensong, and as a welcome to Judith Ann Baldwin, daughter of John and Beryl, who was baptised on this day.

**BROADWELL, GLOS.**—On Oct. 31st, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): J. J. Webb 1, W. H. Coles 2, F. W. Goodfellow 3, J. Hill (cond.) 4, T. Price 5. Rung by his brother and some of his Middlesex friends in memory of W. W. Webb (Bill), late of Heston, near the anniversary of his death. He is buried in the churchyard here.

**BROUGHTON, STAFFS.**—On Oct. 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Boshamier (first quarter) 1, B. G. Key (cond.) 2, R. Balls 3, Mrs. E. M. Key 4, E. Young 5, A. Whittall 6, W. Harris 7, W. Watkin 8.

**BRUXBOURNE, HERTS.**—On Oct. 31st, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: D. E. Cobb (cond.) 1, I. L. Dear (first of Major) 2, D. G. Yeo 3, R. J. Chapman 4, F. W. Ellis 5, L. Derrick 6, E. T. Lee 7, J. Brain 8.

**BURMARSH, KENT.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,320 All Saints' Doubles: T. Fagg 1, Mrs. M. Watts 2, Mrs. R. Wratten (cond.) 3, Miss A. Rayner 4, B. Watts 5, W. Beeching 6. First of All Saints' Doubles for all the band. Rung for the Patronal Festival.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—On Oct. 18th, at 5, Third Court, St. John's College, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: F. C. Hobson 1-2, S. P. Darvill 3-4, K. J. Darvill (cond.) 5-6, G. H. Jones 7-8.

**CANFORD MAGNA, DORSET.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Janet A. Fawcett 1, Sandra M. Pitman (aged 12, first as cond.) 2, Jean M. Pitman 3, W. J. Foot 4, H. I. Pitman 5, G. Linnmore 6. For Evensong.

**CANTERBURY, KENT.**—At St. Alphege's Church, on Oct. 30th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): D. Cox (first quarter) 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, Rachael Sinden 3, J. M. Elaine Dixon 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, R. Copley 6. To commemorate the opening of Christ Church College, Canterbury, on October 28th.

**CATTISTOCK, DORSET.**—On Nov. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Goringe 1, Mrs. S. H. L. Slade 2, A. J. Slade 3, E. Goringe 4, F. Symonds 5, J. W. Rose 6, E. H. Amey (cond.) 7, J. G. Goringe 8. A 21st birthday compliment to Henry Goringe.

**CHARMINSTER, DORSET.**—On Oct. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Essex (first quarter) 1, June Damen 2, Maxine Lush (first 'inside') 3, J. Vardy 4, E. H. Amey (cond.) 5, B. Hine 6. To mark the engagement of Miss June Damen and Mr. Michael Creeve.

**CHELSEFIELD, KENT.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Minor (London Surprise, Plain Bob): Jennifer Payne 1, Hilary Martin 2, Olive Tester 3, R. Hinde 4, C. A. Tester 5, D. C. Manger (cond.) 6. For Evensong.



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**CHISLEHURST, KENT.**—At St. Nicholas' Church, on Oct. 31st, 1,260 Minor (Cambridge, Plain Bob): D. P. Smith 1, Katharine Guy 2, R. J. Talbot 3, C. H. Cook (first in two methods) 4, I. V. J. Smith 5, T. Lewis (cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to the ringers of 5 and 6. By the St. Katharine's Society.

**CIRENCESTER, GLOS.**—On Nov. 7th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: R. Dale 1, R. Hazel 2, G. Green 3, P. Clarkson 4, L. Edwards 5, L. Barry (cond.) 6, H. L. Cook 7, J. Whiting 8, P. Allen 9, D. Pobjoy 10. A farewell to G. Green, on leaving for Manchester.

**COLESHILL, WARWICKS.**—On Nov. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Miss R. Morgan 1, Mrs. D. Bennett 2, K. Taylor 3, D. L. Hooper 4, L. L. Willis 5, E. H. Hill 6, G. Lane (cond.) 7, A. Ensor 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mr. Charles Dale, who was for many years a ringer at Colehill.

**COTTON, SUFFOLK.**—On Oct. 17th, 1,280 Kent T.B. Major: K. W. Whittell 1, H. D. Lister (cond.) 2, T. W. Lockwood 3, W. Ruffles 4, N. F. Whittell 5, R. E. Lester 6, R. F. Taylor 7, W. J. Button 8. A birthday compliment to Mrs. W. J. Button.

**COWBRIDGE, GLAMORGAN.**—On Nov. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): Elizabeth Thomas 1, D. Barrington (first 'inside') 2, C. Ricketts 3, Alana Thomas 4, E. N. Thomas (cond.) 5, R. MacPherson 6, G. Thomas 7, I. Davies 8. Rung half-muffled by a band from Cowbridge Boys' Grammar and Girls' High Schools for the annual Grammar School Remembrance service.

**COWFOLD, SUSSEX.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Boxall 1, Mrs. J. May 2, C. R. Longhurst 3, K. A. May (first 'inside') 4, G. Rix 5, D. A. R. May (cond.) 6. Rung for the christening at West Grinstead of John Robert, son of Richard and Sheila Verrall.

**CRANFORD, NORTHANTS.**—On Oct. 29th, 1,260 Bob Minor: G. Watson 1, C. Newell 2, D. Witchell (first 'inside') 3, Miss M. Bloxham 4, M. Coleman (cond.) 5, I. Hall 6.

**CREWE, CHESHIRE.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mary Cooke (first quarter) 1, I. R. Nichols 2, Miss A. D. Edwards 3, W. Kerr 4, T. W. Lamb 5, J. E. Brough (cond.) 6, G. A. Packer 7, E. J. Holloway 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam William T. Holding, for 60 years a ringer at this tower.

**CROFTON, YORKS.**—On Oct. 29th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss D. Stanworth (first quarter) 1, Miss C. Slater 2, M. Jowett (first 'inside') 3, W. F. Moreton (cond.) 4, D. Banks 5.

**DARLEY DALE, DERBYS.**—On Oct. 28th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: P. Taylor 1, R. H. Bullen 2, Miss A. Smith 3, Miss A. Cherrie (first in method) 4, J. Paulson 5, H. W. Taylor 6, B. P. Morris (cond.) 7, E. W. Paulson 8. For Feast of SS. Simon and Jude.

**DEDDINGTON, OXON.**—On Oct. 26th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): R. G. Berry 1, W. F. Cowley 2, E. E. Pearson 3, H. N. Pratley 4, C. C. Clarke (cond.) 5, W. Twings 6. A farewell to Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Roper on leaving Adderbury to live at Gateforth, Yorkshire.

**DOWNTON, WILTS.**—On Nov. 2nd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: P. King 1, I. Ann Abrahams 2, W. Perrins 3, L. A. Page 4, E. C. Read 5, J. E. Daniels 6, R. N. Marlow (cond.) 7, C. Churchill 8.

**EASTCHURCH, KENT.**—On Oct. 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss M. Wash 1, H. Gardner (cond.) 2, Miss J. Hayward 3, J. Mason 4, H. Hayward 5, P. Marley (first quarter) 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. Williams, wife of the previous Rector.

**EAST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Charlotte M. Harris 1, Diana J. Butler 2, Janet E. Blake (first 'inside') 3, J. H. Griffin 4, F. H. Hicks (cond.) 5, M. P. Howard 6, C. Jane Smart 7, A. R. Mattheson 8. For Harvest Festival Evensong. Also on Oct. 7th, 1,120 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: J. H. Griffin (first in method) 1, Valerie J. Howard (first 'inside') in method) 2, Gillian R. Parsons 3, C. Jane Smart 4, M. P. Howard 5, D. R. Mitchell 6, J. A. Howard 7, F. H. Hicks (cond.) 8. For Confirmation. Also on Nov. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Charlotte M. Harris 1, Glenda Becket 2, Gillian R. Parsons 3, C. Jane Smart 4, J. A. Howard 5, M. P. Howard 6, F. H. Hicks (cond.) 7, J. H. Griffin 8. For the baptism of Anthony David, son of John and Valerie Howard.

**ECCLESFIELD, YORKS.**—On Nov. 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Birch 1, W. Holland 2, B. Holland (cond.) 3, L. E. Smith 4, J. Hartley 5, C. London (first of Grandsire) 6, C. A. Friskney 7, T. W. Senior 8. Rung half-muffled for the fallen.

**EGREMONT, CUMB.**—On Oct. 31st, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: H. Wilson 1, J. Dickinson 2, N. M. Newby, Jun. 3, B. Moss 4, G. Temby 5, A. Capstick 6, T. F. Metcalfe 7, N. M. Newby (cond.) 8.

**FARMBOROUGH, SOMERSET.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 All Saints' Doubles: K. Baker 1, Rosemary Smith 2, R. Smith 3, A. Perry 4, M. Horseman (cond.) 5, J. Coombes 6. For Patronal Festival.

**FRINDSBURY, KENT.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. S. Jarrett 1, C. T. Osenton (cond.) 2, B. R. Trill 3, B. J. Couzens 4, D. S. Osenton 5, L. Crouch 6. For Patronal Festival.

**GEDLING, NOTTS.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,320 All Saints' Doubles: Miss P. Laurence 1, G. A. Dawson (cond., 50th quarter) 2, J. T. Burnup 3, D. A. Osbourne 4, D. Surman 5, R. Adey 6. For Matins. First in method by all except 2. Also 1,260 Doubles (All Saints' and Grandsire): G. A. Dawson (cond.) 1, J. T. Burnup 2, Miss S. Poppleston (first of Doubles) 3, D. A. Osbourne 4, D. Surman 5, R. Adey 6. For the Patronal Festival Evensong.

**GREAT HALLINGBURY, ESSEX.**—On Nov. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. R. Huley 1, F. Bird 2, P. Warboys (cond.) 3, H. Watts 4, T. Camp 5. First quarter: peal on the bells.

**GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.**—On Oct. 25th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: C. W. Pipe 1, M. Daniels 2, C. R. Lovett 3, J. Bennett 4, Sylvia Pipe 5, F. J. Crapnell 6, G. W. Pipe 7, E. G. Pearce 8.

**HARWELL, BERKS.**—On Oct. 22nd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: D. Jordan 1, J. Napper 2, H. Wells 3, C. Corderoy 4, D. Pimm (first Stedman) 5, W. Corderoy 6, R. Blond (cond.) D. Bosley 8. A compliment to David Pimm and Jane Clack, upon their engagement.

**HENLEY, OXON.**—On Nov. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Schofield 1, C. Tigwell 2, D. Poole 3, J. Cobb 4, G. Murrell 5, F. Henbest 6, A. Street (cond.) 7, K. Wallace 8. In honour of Mrs. Mary Rand, a gold medal winner at the 1964 Olympic Games.

**HESSLE, EAST YORKS.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. C. Faulkes 1, J. A. Singleton 2, R. Sharp 3, D. S. Johnson 4, F. Ross 5, M. Maughan (cond.) 6. On All Saints' Day.

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On Oct. 26th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. B. King (first of Minor) 1, R. Blackshaw 2, J. Dowse 3, J. Heaps 4, R. Larkin 5, M. W. Harrison 6. Conducted by M. W. Harrison and J. Heaps. To welcome Rachael King, sister for treble ringer. Also on Nov. 1st, 1,320 All Saints' Doubles: S. J. Dowse 1, C. R. Larkin 2, R. Blackshaw (cond.) 3, M. W. Harrison 4, J. Heaps 5. For morning service. Also on Nov. 1st, 1,320 All Saints' Doubles: S. J. Dowse 1, C. R. Larkin (cond.) 2, R. Blackshaw 3, M. W. Harrison 4, J. Heaps 5. For Evensong.

**HOLT, NORFOLK.**—On Oct. 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: P. N. Mackley 1—2, R. A. J. Bowers 3—4, P. S. Royds-Jones (first as cond.) 5—6. Rung in memoriam Mr. Sydney Gould, late violin master at Gresham, who died on October 18th.

**HUTTON, ESSEX.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 All Saints' Doubles: P. R. Friend 1, C. E. Hill 2, J. J. Wallat 3, W. T. Hill 4, R. G. Jones (cond.) 5. For Patronal Festival Evensong.

**ISHAM, NORTHANTS.**—On Oct. 22nd, 1,260 Kent Minor: C. Watson 1, Miss M. Bloxham 2, Miss M. Garley 3, M. Coleman 4, A. Garley 5, G. Watson (cond.) 6. First of Treble Bob 1 and 2.

**ISLEWORTH, MIDD.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: M. Harrison (first on more than 6 bells) 1, Patricia Rogers 2, June Creak 3, Jeannette Felton (first of Royal) 4, P. Felton (cond.) 5, M. Thomas 6, N. Felton 7, Olive Rogers 8, H. Rogers 9, C. Richards 10. For Patronal Festival Evensong. Also on Nov. 2nd, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: Jeannette Felton 1, P. Felton 2, Patricia Rogers 3, June Creak 4, Olive Rogers 5, D. Struckett 6, M. Thomas 7, F. Bishop 8, W. Wilson (cond.) 9, H. Blagden 10. For institution and induction service.

**KILBURN, LONDON.**—On Oct. 25th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: A. N. Stubbs 1, D. T. Darby 2, I. M. Smith 3, D. A. Bennett 4, J. L. Smith 5, M. Bland 6, D. C. Birkinshaw (cond.) 7, Christine M. Bradburn 8.

**KING'S LANGLEY, HERTS.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Minor (Thelwell and Double Oxford): P. W. Harper 1, B. M. Barker 2, R. W. Picton 3, R. J. Picton 4, D. J. Goodman 5, K. D. Wanles (cond.) 6. For Patronal Festival.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes' on October 25th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Caters: D. Ellison 1, C. Williamson 2, D. Hewitt 3, F. Gani 4, A. Salisbury 5, R. Tomlin 6, M. Hallett 7, P. Roithera 8, A. House (cond.) 9, J. McDonald 10.

**LONGTON, STOKE-ON-TRENT.**—On Oct. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. Carter 1, Mandi McCollon 2, D. Midgley 3, H. Carter 4, A. Moore (cond.) 5, R. Ballard 6, P. Gray 7, C. Griffin (first Grandsire) 8. Rung for the bicentenary of St. John's Church.

**LONGPARISH, HANTS.**—On Oct. 28th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Mrs. M. Green (first quarter) 1, G. K. Dodd (cond.) 2, F. R. Tonge 3, C. Smith 4, A. H. Green 5, J. W. Cheney 6. First of Bob Doubles for 4, 5 and 6.

**MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.**—On Nov. 1st, at St. Michael's, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: T. Morlidge 1, J. Smith 2, G. Owen 3, D. Wright 4, M. M. Mothershead 5, H. Lomas 6, J. Taylor 7, H. C. Lanyon (cond.) 8. For Confirmation service.

**MAIDENHEAD, BERKS.**—On November 1st, at All Saints', Boyne Hill, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss S. Hopper 1, Miss A. Gardner 2, Mrs. P. Gibson 3, S. Gibson (cond.) 4, D. Young 5, E. Gosling 6, G. Lister 7, G. Gibbs 8. For Patronal Festival Evensong and to mark the centenary this day of the laying of the foundation stone of the tower.

**MAIDSTONE, KENT.**—On November 1st, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. T. Cullingworth 1, T. Grice 2, T. E. Sone 3, F. S. Macey 4, B. F. L. Groves 5, L. Mannerling (cond.) 6, T. Cullingworth 7, B. Baker 8. For Patronal Festival.

**MILTON REGIS, KENT.**—On November 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. M. Croall 1, Mrs. F. J. Cheal 2, R. Pearce (first 'inside') 3, S. V. Rayfield 4, F. J. Cheal (cond.) 5, N. Crane 6. Birthday compliments to the ringers of treble and 5th.

**MISTERTON, LEICS.**—On October 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Woodford 1, H. Measures (cond.) 2, R. Watthey 3, W. Laughton 4, G. Pearcey 5, M. Wood 6. First attempt quarter 3, 4 and 5. A wedding anniversary compliment to W. Laughton and R. Watthey.

**NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.**—On November 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss H. Walters 1, Miss P. A. Drew 2, Miss R. J. Kemp 3, A. J. Luxford 4, P. Joyce 5, M. D. Trigg (cond.) 6. Southampton University Guild.

**OAKHAM, RUTLAND.**—On November 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: T. G. Briggs (86), 1, M. T. Stimson 2, Mrs. M. T. Stimson 3, J. M. Thorley (cond.) 4, R. C. Tyler 5, R. Hill 6, E. A. Jacques 7, S. R. Hoy 8. For the Patronal Festival.

**PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.**—On Oct. 18th, at St. John's Church, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: Wendy Daw 1, V. Chamberlain 2, F. Boyall 3, W. Barker 4, G. S. Bush 5, J. Bird 6, R. Daw 7, J. H. Bluff (cond.) 8. For Evening Service on Hospital Sunday.

**READING, BERKS.**—At St. Mary's Church, on November 1st, 1,280 London Surprise Major: J. N. Diserens 1, Eunice M. Lewis 2, Marilyn C. Smith 3, T. Felicity Webber 4, Jennifer M. Cook 5, F. W. Lewis 6, R. C. Kippin 7, N. J. Diserens (cond.) 8.

**SAWLEY, DERBYS.**—On Oct. 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Nita West 1, W. Simpson 2, A. Humphrey 3, J. Harvey 4, A. Burton (first of Minor) 5, D. Marshall (cond.) 6.

**SKILLINGTON, Lincs.**—On October 17th, 1,200 Plain Bob Doubles: A. J. Colborne (first quarter) 1, D. R. Baxter 2, G. J. N. Colborne (first of Doubles) 3, C. F. Baxter 4, D. J. Hopkinson (first as cond.) 5.

**SLOUGH, BUCKS.**—On Oct. 24th, 1,260 Stedman Triples (non-conducted): E. S. T. Farr 1, F. W. Goodfellow 2, M. Hatchett 3, J. Hill 4, D. P. Hilling 5, W. G. Wilson 6, W. Birmingham 7, G. R. Shedden 8.

**SPRINGFIELD, ESSEX.**—On November 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: K. Brown (first quarter) 1, Marion M. Pantion 2, P. J. Roithera 3, 1. R. Pantion 4, G. P. Sollars (first quarter for 12 years) 5, P. G. Brown (first quarter as cond.) 6. For Confirmation service.

**STEPNEY, LONDON.**—On November 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: C. Eilmore 1, Hazel Weedon 2, L. Fox (cond.) 3, L. Mead (first 'inside') 4, H. Weedon 5, R. Wilsdon (first quarter) 6. For Patronal Festival.

**SWAINWICK, SOMERSET.**—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. H. Thompson (12) 1, R. E. Coles (14) (first quarter 'inside') 2, I. P. Cox (13) 3, A. F. Lee (cond.) 4, Shirley A. Cox (13) 5, M. Hawkins (14) 6. Rung in memoriam Mr. A. Ashfield, organist at this church.

**SWINDERBY, Lincs.**—On Nov. 3rd, 1,320 All Saints' Doubles: S. J. Dowse 1, M. E. Chilton 2, R. Blackshaw 3, M. W. Harrison 4, W. L. Eton (cond.) 5. An 81st birthday compliment to Mrs. Drury.

**SWINDON, WILTS.**—At Christ Church on Oct. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. E. Jaques 1, Miss J. Davidgo 2, M. Seowen 3, Miss S. Little 4, A. G. Wells 5, M. Penney 6, E. Sutton (cond.) 7, W. W. F. Daniell 8.

**TENBY, PEMBES.**—On October 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Johns 1, Mrs. P. C. Rogers 2, Rev. R. W. Thomas (first of Minor) 3, P. C. Rogers 4, E. Williams 5, L. H. Jenkins (cond.) 6.



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**TOTTENHAM, MIDDLESEX.**—On Nov. 6th, 1,152 Little Bob Major: D. Rothera 1, E. J. Rowe 2, C. W. Simpson 3, L. J. North 4, R. D. Bailey 5, G. C. Paul 6, R. J. Moore 7, J. R. Ketteringham (comp. and cond.) 8. For Patronal Festival.

**WAKEFIELD, YORKS.**—On Oct. 25th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Mrs. D. Whitaker 1, Mrs. J. Moreton 2, Miss L. Gott 3, J. Kirby 4, D. Banks 6, T. Tarbatt 7, G. Hancock 8, W. F. Moreton (cond.) 9, H. Naylor 10. Rung for the wedding of Geoffrey Townsend and Margaret Brighton.

**WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.**—On November 1st, 1,349 Grandsire Caters: Sally Cobb 1, I. L. Dear (first of Caters 'inside') 2, E. T. Lee 3, D. E. Cobb (cond.) 4, M. J. Austin 5, H. Duncan 6, D. G. Yeo 7, J. Brain 8, R. J. Chapman 9, L. Derrick 10. For Matins, and also a compliment to the Vicar and Mrs. H. R. Darby on the christening of their son, Mark Harold.

**WANDSWORTH, LONDON.**—At Holy Trinity Church, West Hill, on Oct. 18th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. E. Reed 1, Wendy Griffin 2, Sylvia Harrington 3, Jean Egerton 4, N. F. Edwards 5, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 6, R. G. Twyman (covering) 8. Rung prior to the baptism of the Vicar's daughter, Alison Catherine Ruth Savill. Also on Oct. 24th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: Margaret Godfrey 1, Anne Horsford 2, N. P. Edwards 3, R. J. Cooles 4, E. Godfrey 5, Dr. J. Killick 6, P. Bushell (first of Major) 7, M. J. Uphill (cond. 12th quarter) 8. Rung muffled in memoriam Horace Belcher, died October 24th, 1961.

**WARNHAM, SUSSEX.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Bob Triples: Miss P. Brookshaw (first in method) 1, Miss I. Gocher 2, I. Davey 3, Miss D. M. Mullins 4, R. Banner 5, G. Francis 6, D. D. Smith (cond.) 7, M. Turner 8.

**WARMLEY, GLOS.**—On Nov. 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: C. Gibbs 1, Myra J. Gibbs 2, I. G. Smith 3, Elizabeth A. Webb 4, A. W. Gibbs (cond.) 5, D. M. Smith 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Prob. Cyril Winch Francis, Vicar from 1951-1961, interred this day.

**WARNFORD, HANTS.**—On Nov. 3rd, 1,260 Doubles (11 methods): Maureen White 1, Mary White 2, R. A. Stone 3, K. G. Waller 4, C. E. Bassett (cond.) 5, T. White 6. An engagement compliment to D. J. White, local band, and Miss Ingrid Bock, of Quakenbruck, Germany.

**WELLOW, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 17th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Grandsire and Plain Bob): E. Naylor 1, J. Newman 2, E. Goater 3, A. Road 4, K. Harrison (cond.) 5, J. Tiley 6. To celebrate the birth of a son to Robin and June Stubbs.

**WEST HOATHLY, SUSSEX.**—On Aug. 1st, 1,260 Doubles (St. Simon's and Plain Bob): S. Comber 1, Valerie Howard 2, D. Roberts 3, J. Howard 4, D. Slater (cond.) 5. For the christening of Piers Le Marchant. Also on Oct. 8th, 1,272 Minimus (two methods): D. Roberts 1, D. Comber (first 'inside') 2, J. Leppard 3, D. Slater (cond.) 4. Also on Oct. 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Comber 1, D. Roberts 2, J. Leppard 3, H. G. Goddard 4, D. Slater (cond.) 5, B. Parke 6. First of Minor 1 and 2. Also on Oct. 25th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Leppard 1, D. Comber (first of Doubles 'inside') 2, D. Roberts 3, B. Parke 4, D. Slater (cond.) 5, S. Comber 6. To welcome Andrew Mark, second son of the conductor and Mrs. Slater, born October 14th.

**WINFORD, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 23rd, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: P. England (first of Treble Bob) 1, E. T. Lee 2, C. York (first of Cambridge) 3, J. Brain 4, G. H. Pullin 5, A. Cox (cond.) 6. To welcome the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Cox and Mr. and Mrs. H. Ball. Also on Oct. 23rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: E. T. Lee 1, P. England (first of Minor) 2, L. Derrick 3, G. H. Pullin 4, C. Kortright 5, J. Brain (cond.) 6.

**WITLEY, SURREY.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. E. Clark 1, F. Bowden (cond.) 2, Mrs. K. E. E. Bowden 3, Mrs. E. Weatherley 4, F. C. Hagley 5, J. W. Hagley 6, R. J. C. Hagley 7, H. Jones 8. A farewell to the Rev. P. G. Holden, Vicar for 34 years.

**WOLLATON, NOTTS.**—(In Oct. 18th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: P. R. Humphrey (cond.) 1, I. C. Shonfeld 2, C. R. Daft 3, Elizabeth Foster (first quarter) 4, Susanna Poppleton 5, S. Humphrey 6. For Evensong.

**WORMINGFORD, ESSEX.**—On Nov. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. Warren (first quarter) 1, E. Leggett (cond.) 2, D. Culham 3, B. Vaughan 4, S. Humphrey 5, P. Pitt 6. Rung to mark the golden jubilee of the diocese.

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### BIRTHS

**CHILCOTT.**—On November 12th, 1964, to Kathleen and Michael, a daughter, Helen Ruth. 5789

**PALMER.**—On Tuesday, November 3rd, 1964, to Roger and Rosemary a daughter, Josephine Ruth, a sister for Gillian. 5783

**PEARSON.**—On November 14th, 1964, at home, 15, Lewis Crescent, Great Abington, Cambridge, to Jane-Anne (née Hedges) and Geoffrey, a son (Simon), brother for Mark. 5791

**TAPPENDEN.**—On November 8th, 1964, at 46, Court Avenue, Old Coulsdon, to Helen (née Gorringer) and Roy, the gift of a daughter, Mary Louise, a sister for Roger, Jane and Stephen. 5753

### DEATHS

**EDWARDS.**—On November 10th, 1964, at Northampton General Hospital. Herbert Christopher, 42, Horsefair Green, Stony Stratford. beloved husband of Eva, aged 73 years. 5774

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**BOWDON, CHESHIRE.**—On Saturday, December 12th. Dedication of a ring of eight bells Tenor 18-0-8 in E. Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, December 8th to Alan J. Brown, 30, Priory Road, Bowdon, Altrincham. ALT 5158. 5736

## MISCELLANEOUS

**ST. MARY'S, STOTFOLD.**—No practice Friday, November 20th. Winter Fair in Memorial Hall in aid of £6,000 Church Restoration. Please send gifts to Vicar, Rev. J. W. H. Bullock. 5805

**OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.**—Notice is given that at the Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, December 1st, an amendment to Rule 10b will be proposed, to enable non-official members to ring peals for the Society. 5674

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## MEETINGS

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Glastonbury Branch.—Saturday, November 21st. Evening meeting, Butleigh (6). Bells 7 p.m.—P. Hull, Hon. Sec., Dinder. 5758

**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Derby District.—Joint meeting with South Derby, and North Leics. Association at Aston-on-Trent (6), November 21st, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Cups of tea only available, 5 p.m.—M. A. Willis, Dis. Sec. 5711

**ELY ASSOCIATION.**—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting Magdalen, Saturday, November 21st. Bells (6) 2.30; service 4.30; tea 5.—J. Fox, Dis. Sec. 5726

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Hunts District.—Meeting at Godmanchester, Saturday, November 21st. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 4743

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Chertsey District.—Nomination meeting at Chobham on Saturday, November 21st. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m., tea in the Church Hall at 5 p.m. approx. Names for tea, please to Mrs. K. Collins, The Mount Cottage, Mimbridge, Chobham, Woking. 5671

**GUILD OF MEDICAL RINGERS.**—Annual meeting, Saturday November 21st: St. Stephen's, Rochester Row 3-4 p.m.; St. Margaret's, Westminster 4.15-5.30 p.m.; Southwark Cathedral 6-7 p.m. Dinner (fully booked) and A.G.M. 7.30, George Inn, Borough.—D. L. Gullick, Hon. Sec. 5780

**HAWKHURST.**—Guild meeting in Hastings Saturday, November 21st. Ringing at All Saints' 3 p.m.; service 4.30. Ringing again at St. Clement's in the evening. Make own arrangements for tea.—D. West, Secretary. 5746

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Bishop's Stortford District.—Meeting at Sawbridgeworth, Saturday, November 21st. Ringing 3 p.m., service 4.30 followed by tea and meeting. Further ringing in the evening. Names for tea to Mr. E. Rochester, 7, Riverfield Lane, Sawbridgeworth, Herts. No name no tea. This is the first meeting at Sawbridgeworth since the bells were rehung.—D. Kingston. 5696

**HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Albans District.—Barnet, November 21st. Bells (8) 3 p.m.; service 4.30 p.m. Own tea arrangements please. Evening ringing until 7.30 p.m.—M. A. Coburn. 5722

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Ashford District.—Meeting at High Halden, Saturday, November 21st. Bells (6), 3 p.m. service, 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. J. Burden, 23 The Chennels, High Halden, near Tenterden.—C. T. H. 5674

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Loughborough District.—Monthly meeting, November 21st, at Diseworth, Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea at Day School. Names for tea to Mr. W. A. Fletcher, 13, Page Lane, Diseworth, near Derby. 5588

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—S. and W. District.—St. Mary's, South Ealing (NOT Acton). Saturday, November 21st. Bells (8) from 6.30 p.m. Short business meeting. Can I have any outstanding subs, please? F. W. Goodfellow, Hon. Sec. pro tem, 46, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks. 5715

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**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Peterborough Branch.—Meeting at Maxey, Saturday, November 21st. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to R. H. Daw, 97, Fane Road, Peterborough. 5739

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Southern Division.—Practice meeting at Seaford (8), Saturday, November 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierpoint. 5786

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Southern District.—Quarterly meeting Handsworth, November 21st. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Tea in the Parish Centre 5 p.m. Names must be sent to me. All welcome.—J. L. Gilbert, 10, Pye Bank Close, Sheffield 3. 5676

**WELLS CATHEDRAL.**—Rededication of the rehung bells and recast 6th on Sunday, November 22nd, during Evensong, 3 p.m. All welcome. 5718

**GLOS. AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol Rural Branch.—Practice meeting Monday, November 23rd, at Stapleton. Bells (6) available 7.30-9 p.m. 5797

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.**—Christ Church, North Shields.—10-bell practice, Friday, November 27th, at 7.30 p.m. Visiting ringers will be most welcome. 5765

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Axbridge Branch.—Practice meeting at Burrington (6), on Saturday, November 28th, 5 p.m.—M. Legg, Hon. Sec. 5771

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Crewkerne Branch.—Annual meeting at Ilminster (8), Saturday, November 28th. Notice for tea essential, to J. T. Locke, School Street, Drayton, Langport. 5782

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Luton District.—Ringing contest and meeting, Flitton, Saturday, November 28th. Bells (6) 3 p.m., contest 4. tea at 4.45 p.m., short service at 6 p.m. Names for tea not later than 26th to Mr. R. R. Churchill, 33, Turnpike Road, Husbourn Crawley, Beds. 5741

**CHESTER GUILD.**—Stockport Branch.—Meeting at Stalybridge Holy Trinity, November 28th. Bells 3. Service 4.30, tea 5.15. For tea please advise Mr. J. S. Jackson, 72, Lord Street, Stalybridge.—C. K. Lewis. 5801

**DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Meeting at Bentley, Saturday, November 28th. Bells (5) 3 p.m., tea 5 p.m. Names to: Mr. R. Sanderson, 109, Woodhouse Road, Doncaster. 5790

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hereford District.—Quarterly meeting at Burghill on Saturday, November 28th. Bells (8) 3 p.m., service 4.15 p.m., tea and meeting to follow. Names for tea to me by November 24th please.—R. G. Powell, 9, Green Lane, Kingstone, Hereford. 5716

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**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Watford District.—Meeting at Rickmansworth (10), November 28th, 3 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m., service 6 p.m. Names please to Mr. H. A. Bradbury, 37, West Way, Rickmansworth, Tel. 6755.—G. W. Seaman, Dis. Sec. 5755

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Midland District.—Meeting, St. Peter's, Derby (8), November 28th. Ringing 3-4.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in Cathedral Rooms 5. Further ringing at Derby Cathedral (10) 6.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss S. E. Chesterton, 31, Sturdee Road, Leicester. Gentlemen cordially invited.—S. E. Chesterton, Hon. Sec. 5717

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—Meeting at Deane, Saturday, November 28th. Bells 3 p.m. Cups of tea at 5 p.m. Business later. Please attend.—Thornley, Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—The next Rossendale Branch meeting will be held at Bury on Saturday, November 28th. (Please note change of date.) Cups of tea at 5 p.m. Tower open 3 p.m.—R. Holt, Branch Sec. 5756

**LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Next meeting, Ossett, Saturday, November 28th. Bells (10) available 2.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, by previous Wednesday, to Mr. Fred Bennett, Carlton House, Dale Street, Ossett. Special business: to elect two representatives to the Council of Yorkshire Ringing Societies. 5781

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northampton Branch.—Business meeting, Dallington, Saturday, November 28th. Usual arrangements. Ringing to 8 p.m. only. Names for tea by Tuesday previous to Mr. J. Chanman, 6, Melrose Avenue, Northampton. 5721

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Salisbury Branch.—November 28th, Practice meeting Enford Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names by Tuesday, 24th to G. A. Trimby, 24, West St., Wilton. 5759

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—West Dorset Branch.—Annual meeting, Bridport, Saturday, November 28th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to J. Davis, Mount, Melplash, Bridport. 5775

**SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—An evening meeting will be held at Clive on Saturday, November 28th. Bells (6) available 6.30 to 8.30 p.m.—E. Morris, Hon. Gen. Sec. 5807

**SOUTHEND & DISTRICT GUILD.**—Meeting Saturday, November 28th, at Southminster and Burnham-on-Crouch. Bells, Southminster 3-4.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea approx. 5 o'clock. Bells, Burnham-on-Crouch 6.30-8.30 p.m. Names for tea early, please, to Mr. G. Sandwell, 30, Queensborough Road, Southminster. 5792



**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD** (Mansfield District) and **SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS**.—Meeting, Sat., Nov. 28th. Hucknall (8). Bells 3-9 p.m.; tea 4.30 followed by business meeting. Service 6 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous please, to Mr. H. Lewin, 44, Nottingham Road, Hucknall.—D. J. Beach, Dis. Sec. 5764

**STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY**.—Evening practice meeting at Codsall, near Wolverhampton, on Saturday, November 28th. Bells (8) available 6.30-8.30 p.m. Preliminary notice: the next striking competition will take place on Saturday, April 24th next, at 2.30 p.m. Details later.—C. M. S., Hon. Sec. 5669

**SUFFOLK GUILD**—S.W. District.—Annual District meeting at Long Melford, Saturday, November 28th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea by November 25th, please, to Miss E. Cansdale, 8, Brook Street, Bures, Suffolk. 5677

**SUFFOLK GUILD**—Central District.—Practice meeting at Redgrave (6), Nov. 28th, 6.30 p.m. Methods, College Exercise, Ipswich Surprise. Special invitation to unpaid members to attend. 5749

**SUFFOLK GUILD**—S.E. District.—Meeting at Ashbocking, Saturday, November 28th. Bells 2.30 p.m.; service 4.30 p.m.; tea 5.30 p.m., Winesham Village Hall. Names for tea please to Mr. A. Beckwith, 8, Lansdowne Road, Ipswich.—E. G. Pearce, Dis. Sec. 5793

**SURREY ASSOCIATION**—Northern District.—Quarterly District meeting at Immanuel, Streatham, November 28th. Bells 3 p.m. Handbell competition 3.30. Service 4.30, followed by meeting and tea. Immanuel and St. Leonard's bells available in evening. Details of competition from N. Steere, 1, Prior Avenue, Sutton. Names for tea by November 25th to D. Woodhams, 48, Rectory Lane, London, S.W.17. 5714

**SUSSEX ASSOCIATION**—Eastern Division.—Quarterly meeting changed to St. Mary's, Eastbourne, on November 28th. Bells 3 till 4.30 and 6 till 8 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Own arrangements for tea (cafes near church).—I. Smith, Sec. 5725

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD**—Alton and Petersfield District.—Quarterly meeting November 28th, at West Meon. Bells (8) 2.30, service 4.0, tea 4.45. Numbers for tea by Tuesday 24th to C. E. Bassett, 85, Brook Lane, Warsash, Southampton. 5754

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Portsmouth District.—Practice meeting St. Peter's Bishop's Waltham, November 28th, from 6 till 9 p.m.—L. Duguid. 5754

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**DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Ilkeston District.—Annual meeting, Saturday, December 5th. Names for tea to Mr. E. Fletcher, 30, Margaret Ave., Ilkeston, Derbys.—D. J. Marshall. 5700

**DEVON GUILD**—Aylesbeare Branch.—Annual general meeting, Clyst Honiton, Saturday, December 5th. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. G. Retter, Waldrons, Clyst Honiton, Exeter. 5776

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Ely District.—Meeting at Willingham (6), Saturday, December 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Ringing after tea. Special methods.—Hull Surprise and Little Bob Minor. 5784

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION**—Chippenham Branch.—A.G.M., St. Paul's Chippenham, Saturday, December 5th. Bells (8). Ringing from 5 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. with break for meeting at 7 p.m.—H. Heath, Hon. Sec. 5778

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Guildford District.—Nomination meeting at Womersley and Bramley, December 5th. Womersley bells 3 p.m., service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. W. Enticknap, Ockleigh, Guildford Road, Womersley. 5798

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Blackburn Branch.—Meeting at Whalley on December 5th. Bells available 3 p.m. All ringers welcome. Cups of tea 5 p.m., followed by business and further ringing.—J. Pilkington. 5804

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**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**—Eastern Branch.—Meeting at Sutterton, Saturday, Dec. 5th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea for those who notify me by Monday, November 30th.—P. J. Kilner, Hon. Sec., 167, Eastwood Road, Boston, Lincs.

**NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION**—Annual General Meeting at Stoke (8) on Saturday, December 5th. Bells 3 p.m. service 5 p.m., tea 5.30 p.m. Meeting after tea. Names for tea by Wednesday, December 2nd to J. G. Burton, 71, Bagnall Road, Milton, Stoke-on-Trent.—G. C. Beech, Hon. Sec. 5772

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Eastern Branch.—Meeting, Lowestoft, Dec. 5th. Bells (8) from 2 p.m., service 4.30, tea 5.15. Names for tea by Wednesday, December 2nd certain, to Sister Riley, Harleston House, Park Road, Lowestoft.—N.P.J.C. Branch Sec. 5497

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Bicester and District Branch.—Annual meeting at Bicester (8) on Saturday, December 5th. Ringing 2.30 p.m., service 4 p.m., tea 4.45 p.m. Names for tea please to Mr. Kinch, 3, The Causeway, Bicester, Oxon, by Tuesday, December 2nd. 5772

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—V.W.H. Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Shrivenham, Saturday, December 5th. Bells (8) 2.30. Service 4. Names for tea please by Wednesday, December 2nd to R. F. J. Gilling, Branch Sec., Fernham, Faringdon, Berks. 5777

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS AND MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION & LONDON DIO. GUILD**—Joint meeting will be held at Hendon on Saturday, December 5th. Service 4.45 p.m. with tea to follow. To ensure tea send names to Miss R. Foreman, 19, Finchley Court, Ballards Lane, N.3, or tel. FIN 3994. Ringing arrangements Pinner 2-3.15, Finchley 3-4.15, Hendon 3.15-4.45. Southgate 6.30-8. Will car drivers please offer lifts.—F. J. Matthews and T. J. Lock, Hon. Secs. 5803

**SURREY ASSOCIATION**—Southern District.—Nomination meeting at Blechingley, December 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m. Meeting. Evensong, bells after till 9 p.m. Names for tea by 25th to Mr. T. Bird, Brudden, Godstone Road, Blechingley.—G. A. W. 5770

**SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD**—Southern District.—Annual meeting, St. Paul's, Sketty, Swansea, Saturday, December 5th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business to follow. Names for tea by November 28th to Mrs. Whitworth, 3, Lon Derw, Tycoch, Swansea.—J. A. Hoare, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5757

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD**—The Annual Dinner of the Winchester District will be held at the Westgate Lodge Hotel on Saturday, December 5th. Names please by November 29th.—R. H. Collis, Sec., 3, Hockley Cotts, Cheriton, 5799

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS**—Western Branch.—Annual meeting will be held at Wychbold on Saturday, December 5th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. at Bowling Green Inn followed by meeting. Hanbury (8) available from 6.30-8.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, December 1st, to A. A. Jopp, Church Road, Stoulton, Worcester. No names, no tea. 5763

## SOCIETY OF RAMBLING RINGERS ANNUAL REUNION AND DINNER at the COPPICE HOTEL, LITTLEOVER, DERBY

Saturday, December 5th, 7 for 7.30 p.m.  
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**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS**—Business meeting at the Rising Sun, Carter Lane, E.C., on Tuesday, December 8th, at 8.15 p.m. Forthcoming practices, all commencing 6.30 p.m.—24th November: St. Giles, Cripplegate. 1st and 15th December: St. Michael's, Cornhill. 8th December: St. Paul's Cathedral. 22nd December: St. Lawrence's, Jewry.—John Chilcott. 5779

## HERTS RINGING CAR RALLY

The car owning fraternity of the St. Albans District are for the second year running indebted to Amy Coburn and John Cull for organising a superb car rally. Nomansland, the traditional starting place of such ventures, was bitterly cold on the afternoon of October 24th when 14 cars with 36 occupants assembled to try their skill.

We followed the advice of Horace Greeley though we had no compass until our journey's end. Those who knew their history were at an advantage: who was president in 1935, of the Hertford County Association they meant, but we didn't know that; who opened the M1 and when (it wasn't Marples and it was longer ago than you might think); when did Stedman write 'Tintinnalogia' (we didn't really need to know this but it helped to tell us which houses we were looking for at Flamstead). There used to be plenty of water at Friars Wash but now they must stay black (vague connection with Blackfriars Bridge) for Luton has pumped away our water.

We had to be good at spelling to find the sign-post errors. Mr. Bunn was not the baker but the cucumber grower. The worst clue of all, which only the winner answered (I think) said 'The piper plays the tune, but "you" may be in the band. How many?' Most people put '3' as we were on a three bell tower. There were twelve yews in the churchyard. Errgh! A chicken farm was most unappropriately called Shangri-la.

A good tea was provided by the Axe and Compasses at Edlesborough despite the fact that they thought that we were coming on Sunday. After tea John gave his comments and read out the results in reverse order—very tantalising. Fourth, Reg. Darvill; third, John Ewer; second, Jonathan Chamberlain, and first Geoff Dodds. Three mystery towers were visited to round off the day for the more energetic and some very good ringing at all levels up to, but not quite including, Spliced Surprise was enjoyed. The towers were Edlesborough, Eaton Bray and Totternhoe; many thanks to those who met us.

Finally a very big 'thank you' must be put on record to the organisers, who this year included Peter Coles, but most especially to John and Amy for their hard work in advance of the day.

J.D.C.



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**5,184, 5,024 BERMONDSEY S. MAJOR**

By D. KNOX

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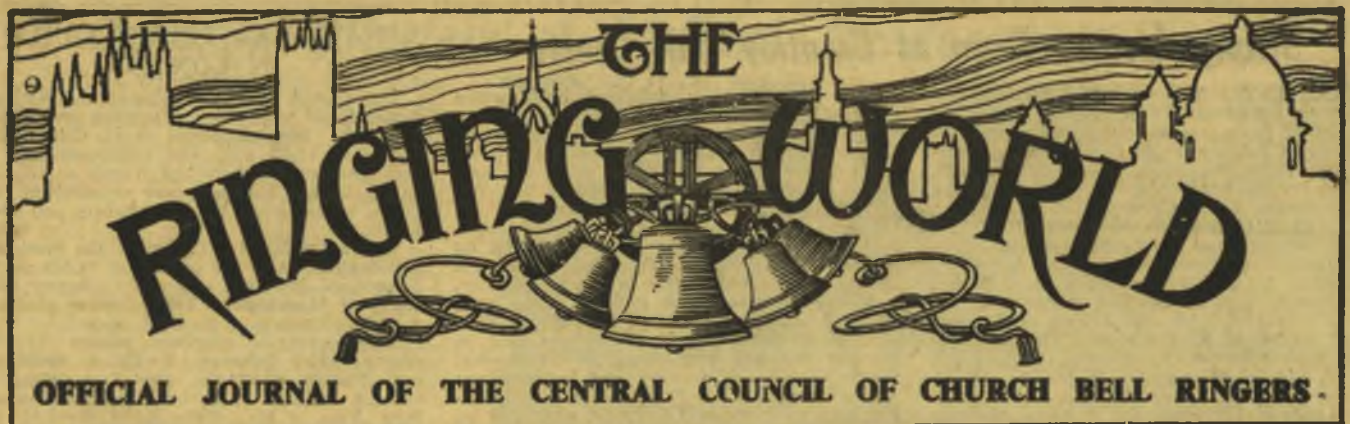
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## FILLING THE GAP IN RINGING LITERATURE

THERE is a shortage of books on bells and the history and art of bellringing. True, the county series continue to expand through the labours of Mr. Frederick Sharpe and Mr. Randal Clouston, but these works are more confined to the bells, their inscriptions, weight and date, and do not cover the extensive field embraced by the words, 'The Exercise.' The late Ernest Morris made a useful contribution towards this end with his works, but they are out of print, and also such works as those by J. A. Trollope, particularly 'The College Youths.'

The gap has now been filled by Edgar C. Shepherd, one of the most versatile ringer-writers in the Exercise, in 'The Sound of Bells' (25s. net, Record Books Ltd.). The book makes a dual appeal—to the 40,000 ringers who might be regarded as within the fold, and secondly to the non-ringers who derive pleasure in bellringing and like to read about and hear bells. The unique feature of this book is that included with it is a double-sided microgroove record giving the music of some of the famous towers.

Among the public at large there is extreme vagueness about a bell and change ringing and only this week our attention was called to an expert in the field of vibrations who did not realise that a bell mounted on a wheel revolved 360 degrees. In non-technical language a bell is explained and a clear exposition given of the skill of the founder from the monks and itinerant bell-founders to the two great firms—Messrs. John Taylor and Co. and Messrs. Mears and Stainbank—who uphold the prestige of the craft today.

While Mr. Shepherd devotes a chapter to the principles of change ringing, the book does not extend over the border to become a text book, although the author has to his credit noted treatises on Grandsire Caters and Double Norwich. Indeed, it is just sufficient to give an indication of Plain Hunt and the ever-expanding number of changes as the number of bells employed increases. A more interesting side is, however, developed by tracing the historical progress of change ringing from Stow's reference in his Survey of London. And this growth has a fascination to all followers of the art. There was 'Tintinnalogia' the first text book, a joint effort by Richard Duckworth and Fabian Stedman in 1660, which gave to the world 'Grandsire,' described as 'the best and most ingenious peal that was ever composed,' a phrase surely treasured by the Rabbits' Guild in this era of 'Spliced Surprise' ringing!

Ten years later Stedman published 'Campanologia' which showed a remarkable advance—including the intro-

duction of the Stedman principle which has no hunt bell. It was not until 1715 that the first peal was rung, a method we now call Plain Bob Triples, composed by John Garthorn, but then given the name of Grandsire Bob Triples. The story of the Norwich Scholars' achievement is told on a tablet in the ringing chamber of St. Peter Mancroft: 'The most incomparable peal' and of the performance 'not one bell misplac'd or out of course.'

Expansion was rapid. Grandsire Triples came in 1718, at Norwich, but Grandsire Caters had been rung a year before at St. Bride's, Fleet Street, with the first peal of Major the following year. The latter was by the Union Scholars, and was called 'Union Bob.' The figures, Mr. Shepherd points out, show the peal to have been Oxford Treble Bob. It was not until 1725 that the College Youths scored their first peal—Grandsire Cinques at St. Bride's. With Annable as a leader, the College Youths produced the first peals of Bob Major, Bob Royal and Bob Maximus. From Norwich in 1740 came the first peal of Stedman Triples, born amid intensive rivalry between the St. Michael's, Coslany, band and those of St. Peter Mancroft. Fisticuffs took place during the time of ringing and, says 'The Norwich Daily Press' of that day, the offenders were 'sent home to their shame with bloody noses.'

Naturally, with his extensive knowledge of Birmingham ringing, the author brings into the picture the achievements at St. Martin's and the great contributions of Isaac Lates and Thomas Thurstans, whose famous four-part of Stedman Triples was first conducted by Henry Johnson. It was not until 40 years later that Sir Arthur Heywood gave the complete exposition of Stedman Triples.

How ringers will revel in reading the story of achievement, the long lengths and the rivalry, the genius of Washbrook, the domination for nearly 40 years of William Pye, of G. N. Price who rang Exeter Cathedral tenor single-handed to a peal of Stedman Caters, and being introduced to those who contributed so much to method construction, like the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, W. H. Thompson, Henry Hattersley, John Carter, the Rev. E. Bankes James, Gabriel Lindoff and George Baker.

The contribution of the Central Council founded by Sir Arthur Heywood receives recognition and also the part played by the ringers' own journal founded by the late Mr. J. S. Goldsmith and now the property of the Council. But after tabulating the wealth of record performances spread over more than two centuries the author sagely observes: 'The future of the Exercise and the survival of change ringing will rest, not on the great ringing performances of today, but on the enthusiasm of the missionaries and the skill and devotion of the instructors.' The

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## Strong Lecture Team at Grantley Hall Course

GRANTLEY HALL courses continue to meet the needs of a number of ringers and the list of those present at the 1964 course, the fifth to be held at Grantley, is some indication of the increasing popularity of the course. Those present were: Messrs. J. M. Chaddock (Rotherham), C. J. Groome (Huntingdon), J. K. Herdson (Harrogate), E. Hotine (Grimsby), C. P. Moxom and N. F. Moxom (Barnsley), T. Turbott (Skelmanthorpe), G. A. Town (Halifax), C. Finlay (Bradford), B. Greasley, J. Greasley and J. D. Ree (Derby), G. T. Jones (Wakefield), A. C. Bantén (Tadcaster), I. G. Campbell, K. Goldthorpe and D. Johnson (Kirk Ella), A. R. Douglas (Rotherham), C. M. Mouley (Harrogate), P. Mohew and D. Sanderson (Herts) and E. Hudson (Ripon), Mesdames E. Chaddock and T. Hollis (Rotherham), S. Crossley (Wath-on-Dearne), N. J. Nissly (Pennsylvania), E. Peace and S. Peace (Kirkburton), L. M. Riley (Northowram), S. E. Thompson (Huntington) and N. Golden (Norwich).

Miss Nissly is a captain in the U.S.A. Air Force and is making excellent progress in and deriving much delight from our traditional English art.

The course began on Friday evening with Fred Sharpe giving his well-known lecture on 'Bells—History, Casting and Tuning.' With his travelling display of handbells, tuning forks, slides and photographs Fred is the complete and ever welcome lecturer.

Students were offered choices of talks on Saturday morning. For the first session the choice lay between 'Stedman, a study of the method,' by Norman Chaddock, the capable and versatile leader of the course, and 'A study of some methods worth ringing' by Nolan Golden, who was paying his first visit to Grantley. This lecture inspired the writer of this account to attempt to summarise his main points in the verses below. After the coffee break Norman continued his theme with a talk on conducting Stedman Triples whilst Fred Sharpe gave excellent advice on the maintenance of bells and their fittings.

In the afternoon some of the party rang new methods successfully on the six at Kirkby Malzeard whilst others attempted touches of Stedman Triples at Sharow with unison conducting. The ringing at Sharow was rounded off with a good course of Cambridge Major.

After tea all were delighted by Norman Chaddock's lively and well illustrated talk on his experiences during the Washington tour. Dinner over, an hour was spent ringing on the ten bells at Ripon Cathedral, when all were given an opportunity of sampling this fine ring. Handbell ringing and discussion of ringing topics, grave and gay, continued until a late hour. Students on a parallel course on photography displayed considerable interest in and made pictorial records of our activities.

A short service which included some good handbell ringing on the heavier of Fred Sharpe's collection of handbells was held in the entrance hall after breakfast on Sunday. Again a choice of lectures was forthcoming: 'Tune Ringing' by Fred Sharpe or 'Conducting' by Norman Chaddock, and later an all too brief talk by Nolan on composing methods and peals. During the afternoon the versatile Nolan delighted us with excerpts from his private anthology of 'The Bell in Prose and Verse.'

In the final discussion before tea thanks were expressed to all who had made the course so happy and successful and, with admirable foresight, plans for the next course were discussed.

If you enjoy good food, good weather, good company and good scenery, join us at Grantley Hall next time.

### THE MERITS OF METHODS

We Grantley students would support Nolan in praising Double Court. It gives delightful music when

It's rung on six or eight or ten,

And Nolan is the proper person

To eulogise the Norwich version.

Original should interest all

But it is somewhat hard to call.

Stedman's appeal will never die,

We all know where its merits lie.

A principle to this akin

And well worth ringing is Erin.

Yorkshire six-bell ringers skilful

In choosing methods are most wilful.

Dover Delight should meet their needs

When rung with closed or open leads.

Untuneful cadences arise

In Major methods called Surprise.

We northern ringers much prefer

To ring melodious Yorkshire.

E. H.

## DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Chesterfield District

On a rather cold and blustery day the monthly meeting of the Chesterfield District was held at Old Whittington on November 14th. Ringing during the afternoon took place on the very light ring of six (tenor 5 cwt.) in a wide variety of methods before the company of 35 members and friends adjourned for tea.

After an excellent meal, prepared by the wives and friends of the local company, a short business meeting was held with the Rector (the Rev. J. K. Robinson) in the chair. He told the company about an architect he knew, who thought that church towers and clocks were both unnecessary and obsolete in this day and age. This opinion, he averred, was all too common judging from the design of modern churches. He urged the company to see that all our rings of bells would long be kept in action.

Nine new members were elected from Dronfield, viz.: E. Walker, M. Allen, Mrs. B. Kidd, A. Kidd, A. Bethel, Mrs. D. Cunningham, V. Cunningham, F. Haslam and Miss K. Cooper. As next year's Association dinner—to be held at Chesterfield on February 20th—is to be attended by the Bishop, the Archdeacon of Chesterfield and Mr. F. Sharpe (guest speaker) members were urged to do all they could to make it a resounding success.

The votes of thanks were proposed by Mr. L. Goodall (Dronfield) and further ringing was enjoyed in the evening after a short break for Compline.

Next meeting: December 12th, Bolsover (annual).

## BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION Biggleswade District

The November meeting of the Biggleswade District was held at Stotfold on November 14th, ringing being under the direction of the Ringing Master, Mr. D. R. Saunderson.

After a short service conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. J. W. H. Bullock) at which Mr. P. Rogers played the organ, the 17 ringers present adjourned to the local school for tea. At the business meeting a new member from Campton was elected and it was decided to hold the annual District meeting at Biggleswade on January 9th.

With the arrival of more ringers during the evening many methods were rung including rounds for learners and the special method, Evening Star Delight. The bells were finally rung down just before 9 p.m. after a fairly successful meeting.

Next meeting: Northill, December 12th.

A. R. A.

## BARNESLEY DISTRICT SOCIETY

The Society held its monthly meeting at Felkirk on November 14th, 14 towers being represented. One new member, Mr. Barrie Dove (Leeds), was elected and he offered the vote of thanks. A warm welcome was given by the Vicar (the Rev. B. Webster), who is interested in Felkirk Church and its history.

Next meeting (nominations received): Hemsley, near Pontefract, December 12th.

J. W. B.

## NATIONAL POLICE GUILD IN LONDON

The annual general meeting of the National Police Guild took place in London on September 26th. Ringing started at St. Giles-in-the-Fields at 11.15 a.m. and continued until it was time for members and friends to adjourn to the Euston Tavern, where an excellent luncheon was enjoyed by 52 members and their guests.

Before lunch, Mr. T. Butler, the president, called attention to the passing of ex-Sgt. E. C. Turner, of Leicester, and ex-P.C. Burley Walslow, of Manchester. The company observed a short silence as a mark of respect.

There were 31 members present at the meeting which followed. Ex-Sgt. C. Willmington (Metropolitan) was elected president to succeed ex-Insp. T. Butler (Liverpool) in the New Year. Mr. Willmington thanked the members and paid a tribute to the retiring president. In his reply Mr. Butler said that he hoped to close his term as president with a successful peal attempt. The committee was re-elected en bloc with Mr. Butler replacing Mr. Willmington, ex-P.C. Knight replacing ex-P.C. Woods (who did not wish to stand) and Insp. J. Pryor filling the place made vacant by the death of ex-Sgt. Turner. Twenty-one new members were elected and this was commented on by the president as being a good omen for the future. These new members brought the strength of the Guild up to a very healthy level.

It was reported that a life member, ex-P.C. Joe Wilson (Manchester) has just celebrated his golden wedding, and the meeting asked the secretary to convey the congratulations of the Guild to him and his wife. The meeting decided that next year's venue be at Hereford on Saturday, September 25th.

Ringing took place during the afternoon and early evening at the following towers: St. Clement Danes; St. Andrew's, Holborn; St. Vedast, Foster Lane; St. Giles, Cripplegate; St. Lawrence Jewry; St. Mary-le-Bow; and St. Michael's, Cornhill. Thanks were accorded to Mr. Jack Phillips, as without his help this extensive programme could not have been carried out. The day was completed by a 'get-together' after ringing at the Euston Tavern, when light refreshments were provided in addition to the more stimulating matter which was consumed.

This was one of the most enjoyable meetings in recent years, and to all who helped to make it a success we send our thanks. R. H.

## REDEDICATION AT PLUCKLEY

The recently restored ring of six bells (tenor 16 cwt.) of St. Nicholas', Pluckley, near Ashford, Kent, were rededicated by the Right Rev. Dr. Alfred Rose (retired Bishop of Dover) on November 12th in the presence of a large congregation. The service was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. J. L. Pittcock, assisted by the Rev. P. T. Robbins (District Representative to the Association and Vicar of Charing), and the address was given by the Bishop.

Ringing for the service was by local ringers, who have been learning under the direction of their captain, Mr. G. Homewood, and Mr. A. Waddington of Egerton. Afterwards ringers from the congregation had the opportunity of sampling the restored bells, and found that the 'go' is now excellent but the second bell sounds muffled.

Records show that there were 'five bells and a sacring bell in the steeple' in 1553, and the tower has one of the oldest six bell rings in the district, but it has always had the reputation of being difficult. There has never been a peal on the bells (which makes them almost unique for ringable towers in Kent), and only one quarter peal has been known.

The charming little village of Pluckley, with its beautiful 14th century church atop a ridge where the winding road follows an ancient Saxon track, is well off the beaten track. Now that the bells have been rehung on ball-bearings in a new frame, the tower strengthened and a new floor put in, it is hoped they will become better known, not only to the villagers (who have worked hard to raise most of the £3,500 necessary to pay for the restoration), but to ringers throughout Kent.

C. T. H.



## Scholars Entertain at Stafford Archdeaconry Dinner

**M**EMBERS reserved the date of Saturday, November 7th last, for the Society's annual dinner held at Cannock. Ringing was available during the afternoon at Bushbury, Shareshill and Cannock, prior to over 100 members and friends sitting down to an excellent meal. The chairman and president of the Society, the Ven. Basil Stratton, proposed the loyal toast. Mrs. L. Reid, M.B.E., a well-known public figure of Willenhall, then proposed the toast of 'The Church and State,' stressing that the two could never be divided. The reply was given by the Rev. T. Villiers, of Shifnal, in which he said the Church to-day was far from dead, as too many people seemed to think, but it needed re-forming as a united Church, in which bellringers could play an important part.

As an interlude the Penn handbell ringers gave a demonstration of 'Caters,' 'lapped.' Our chief guest, and a past president, the Bishop of Shrewsbury, proposed the toast of 'The Society,' saying that he felt that this active ringing society could be held as an example to other less enthusiastic ringing areas. Mr. G. Askew, of Brewwood, suitably replied.

Mrs. B. G. Key said it gave her great pleasure to propose the toast of 'The Visitors,' among whom they had Mr. and Mrs. F. Bennett (Claverley), Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Tranter and Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Staniforth (Leicester Cathedral). The Rev. V. J. Crane, curate of Penn, who replied, said he was learning how important the work of ringers was.

The evening's entertainment then proceeded with a most enjoyable recital of music given by the St. Lawrence's Junior School, Gnosall, team of handbell ringers, led by Mrs. B. G. Key. As well as handbells, items were arranged to include glockenspiels, a Victorian bell-toy, and recorders.

Later Mr. P. J. Staniforth showed his most interesting and educational colour film taken during his recent visit to Washington Cathedral.

The thanks of the Society go to all who helped in any way to make this such an enjoyable evening, especially to Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Key for all their arrangements.

C. M. S.

### LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

#### Elloe Deaneries Branch

The last meeting this year was held at Bicker on November 7th. During the afternoon the bells were in constant use, methods rung being from Grandsire Triples up to Cambridge Major.

The service included an interesting address by the Vicar concerning the true message of the bells and the duty of the ringers as Christian workers. In it he mentioned the use of the 13th century sanctus bell hung in the tower.

The excellent tea was attended by 20 members. At the business meeting seven new members were elected. The secretary (Mr. K. R. Davey) gave a report on the recent joint meeting with the Ely Guild at Tydd St. Mary, which was well supported. It is hoped to hold further meetings in the New Year.

Further ringing followed on handbells and on the 8½ cwt. eight in the tower, where methods included Spliced Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Erin Triples and a course of Superlative Surprise Major.

Branch annual general meeting, January 16th (provisional). D. J. J.



St. Lawrence, Gnosall, Junior Bellringers all keyed up for a great occasion. They performed on handbells, glockenspiels and other instruments at the Stafford Archdeaconry dinner. Trained by Mrs. E. M. Keys, they are now well-known throughout the Midlands, having appeared on television six times, and at various other functions such as garden parties, music festivals, concerts, church services and charity performances. Their ages range from 9 to 11 years and several of them are learning to ring tower bells.

### THE LADIES' GUILD

The South Wales District held a most successful meeting at St. Mellons on October 31st. During the afternoon the bells were enjoyed by some 40 ringers and touches were rung by the ladies. The choral service was taken by the Vicar, the Rev. Gower Rees. Miss Gillian Addis, chorister and ringer at St. Mellons, read the lesson, and Miss Scales was the organist.

A bountiful tea was waiting in the Church Hall, given by Mr. Addis and prepared by Miss Dilys Hulbert and her helpers.

Mr. Iolo Davies, Cowbridge, expressed the thanks of the company to Mr. Addis and to the ladies. Mrs. C. Coles, vice-president, thanked the Vicar and Miss Christine Glastonbury thanked Miss Scales and the choristers.

New members elected were Miss Catherine Jenkins (Chepstow) and Miss Susan Lowe (Cardiff).

Next meeting: Newton Nottage, Porthcawl, January 30th (provisional). J. S. K.

### WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH

The Portsmouth District have a warm friend in the Rev. G. R. Paterson, Vicar of Swanmore. When the District held its quarterly meeting in his church on October 24th, he said they would be welcome at any time at Swanmore because they did so like to hear the bells rung. An excellent tea followed the service.

At the business meeting the following members were elected: Rev. M. Swindlehurst and F. E. Gerken (Havant), H. V. Jones (Swanmore), Miss J. Clair, C. Watts, R. Pullen, P. Lewis (Titchfield), Mr. W. Riddle (Manchester) compounding.

Next quarterly, April 24th, Alverstoke or Havant; practice meeting, Bishop's Waltham, November 28th (if convenient). L. D. D.

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### SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT

The November meeting of the Sheffield and District Society was held jointly with the Southwell Guild, at Workshop Priory. The meeting was well attended and about forty ringers sat down to tea. Prior to a short business meeting, a course of Grandsire Caters 'in hand' was rung. A discussion took place on the possible integration of ringing societies in Yorkshire.

Methods rung during the day ranged from Plain Bob Minor, to Spliced Surprise Major in five minutes. Next meeting, Ecclesfield, December 5th. J. N. D. C.

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# Letters to the Editor

## Early Peals at King's Norton

Dear Sir,—Further to Mr. Bagworth's letter, I have records of the following peals at King's Norton-by-Gaulby, rung before 1881:

May 28th, 1776, 5,040 Grandsire Triples rung by the Nottingham Society in 3 hours 52 minutes.

September 3rd, 1781, 5,040 Grandsire Caters rung by the Leicester Scholars in 3 hours 9 minutes.

June, 1816, 5,040 Grandsire Triples rung by the Leicester Scholars in 3 hours 20 minutes.

The Nottingham Society is undoubtedly the same as the Society of Sherwood Youths, as also, no doubt, the Junior Nottingham Society, who sometimes called themselves the Hopeful Youths.

The record of the Grandsire Caters peal was found by the late Ernest Morris in one of the old Leicester papers, but the Leicester Scholars' books contain no reference to it. There is also a legend that the King's Norton treble went to St. Margaret's, Leicester, but this is almost certainly not correct.

At the other King's Norton, in Worcestershire, I have records of the following peals rung before 1881 by the Birmingham ringers:

December 7th, 1811, 5,040 Grandsire Triples by the St. Martin's Youths in 3 hours 3 minutes.

August 11th, 1839, 5,040 Grandsire Triples by the St. Martin's Youths in 2 hours 58 minutes.

October 24th, 1852, 5,040 Grandsire Triples by the St. Philip's Society in 2 hours 57 minutes.

November 28th, 1852, 5,088 Kent Treble Bob Major by the St. Philip's Society and St. Martin's Youths in 3 hours 9 minutes.—Yours sincerely,

FRANK T. BLAGROVE.

Salisbury, S. Rhodesia.

## Disguised Attack?

Dear Sir,—One cannot help thinking that D.G.C.'s article 'Introvert or Extrovert', is a biased account of what should be an impartial rationale.

Men of action, he says, are impulsive, thick-skinned, inconsiderate, loud-mouthed, frustrated, what-oh types whose passion for the big time causes them to use people to suit their own ends. On the other hand he gives a glowing account of the men of thought (who park their cars correctly), the observers, the unobtrusive correctors who realise their knowledge on the subject is incomplete and are modest about their ringing.

This classification, it is submitted, is erroneous. To describe even the extreme introvert and extrovert ringer as such is nonsensical. There is a subtle difference between saying that a particular inconsiderate (etc.) tenor-bell ringer is an extrovert and saying the man of action, the extrovert ringer, is an inconsiderate (etc.) tenor-bell ringer. Similarly, a man of thought might be an introvert, but not all men of thought are introverts.

D.G.C. concludes that every single one of us is a mixture of the two types but few of us are 50-50 which, in effect, is saying we are all very nearly one or the other. Most psychologists accept this latter idea. We are fundamentally either extrovert or introvert.

A fortiori, the only conclusion to be drawn from the article is that there are basically two types of ringers: extrovert men of action, as portrayed therein, who are seldom respected, and introvert men of thought, as portrayed therein, who will be universally respected. It is suggested that this is no more than a disguised attack on the talented and perhaps over-enthusiastic, tower-grabbing, tenor-bell ringer from the viewpoint of the subdued introspectionist.—Yours faithfully,

MICHAEL R. MEADOWS.

Wentworth, Yorks.

**YATTON, SOMERSET.**—On Nov. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: H. A. Price 1, M. T. Hebden 2, M. G. Dodson 3, P. Gifford-England 4, G. H. Pullin 5, R. W. Rice 6, W. S. Rice (cond.) 7, W. E. Day 8. First of Bob Triples for 4 and 8.

## Sir Winston Churchill's Birthday

Dear Sir,—November 30th is the 90th birthday of the great war leader, Sir Winston Churchill. Last Thursday a letter appeared in 'The Times' requesting that where possible bells are rung in towns and villages to honour this almost unique event. The following day the 'Yorkshire Post' in an article commended the suggestion to all concerned.

I feel ringers should be acquainted with this, who have not already heard of it, as I think the idea is a good one and shows that the Church takes an interest in the affairs of State.

We are also hoping in our own tower to ring on the evening of Monday week.—Yours sincerely,

PAUL BIRKETT.

Elland, Yorks.

**Note.**—We have also received a letter from Mr. King, of Wentworth, York, commending the same suggestion. It was mentioned at the Central Council meeting at Truro that Sir Winston should be honoured by the ringing of peals following his retirement from Parliament.

## Christianity and Bellringing

Dear Sir,—With reference to the leading article and the letter of A. Betsworth in 'The Ringing World' of October 23rd, 1964, I would like to ask: How many ringers regard ringing as a form of worship? Surely the majority of ringers regard campanology as a hobby, just like philately or ornithology.

Granted it is a tradition for a church to have a tower in which there are bells but why follow the masses? Why not build churches without towers and build separate places for bells to be hung? In my opinion Sunday service ringing is a tradition and people do it out of sheer habit, therefore it is not in any way connected with the Church and the worship of God.

I myself am a very keen ringer who travels around quite a lot, and from what I've seen and heard you couldn't call campanology a Christian movement. People are always falling out with each other and often refrain from turning up to ring for several weeks on end. Many go into seclusion for as long as six months. You couldn't really associate this behaviour with Christianity, where one must love his neighbour.

From this stems my final question: Does one necessarily have to be a Christian to be a campanologist? I very much doubt it. — Yours sincerely,

O. A. M.,  
Atheist.

## No Farce!

Dear Sir,—We must thank Mr. Poyner for at last admitting that the method rung as Burslem Delight Major is not an extension of Burslem Delight Minor. Perhaps he will now agree to the Council's request and change the name of the Major method.

There is no regular Minor method called Salisbury Surprise. Therefore the title Salisbury Surprise Major could have been used for any method. The same applies to Hatfield Surprise Major and Luton Surprise Royal. Salisbury, Hatfield and Luton Surprise Minor do not have Plain Bob lead ends. Therefore the Methods Committee had no need to comment on the silly footnote to the peal of Salisbury. The Decision of the Council relating to method extension applies only to methods with Plain Bob lead ends.

If Mr. Poyner finds something wrong with the report on extension why did he not make an attempt to get an alteration to it when he was a member of the Council? He could easily have done his, every time that the Methods Committee presented its annual report, since nearly every year the question of extension is brought up.—Yours sincerely,

FRANK T. BLAGROVE.

Salisbury, S. Rhodesia.

## A PEAL WEEK IN KENT

(For Identities see page 565)

THIS peal week in Kent took place at the end of July and as the result of an advertisement in 'The Ringing World' the party assembled at Kensing Youth Hostel for their second tour. The first ring was for Sunday service at Igham, where some demonstrated how much their ringing had improved during the past year, and others how they hadn't. Seal was visited for evening ringing.

The 'fastest thing on two legs' exhibited how he thought bad-going tenors ought to be rung in a peal of seven Minor methods at Seal on Monday morning, in which he called most of the bobs! Our illegal youth hostellers did not arrive in time for the promised peals at Westerham. However, to satisfy the desires of the tower grabber, a quick ring was arranged at Limsfield before the advertised time of arrival at Crookham Hill Y.H. Due to flies, the handbell peal planned for the evening was postponed.

Cambridge Major was attempted at Edenbridge on Tuesday, but after an hour and a half surprisingly good ringing, the tenor rope broke. Cowden bells proved uninspiring in the afternoon. 'Does anyone want to carry on?' 'No.' A long leisurely ride was enjoyed through newly afforested areas to Goudhurst Y.H. The fanatics attempted their usual handbell peal, but with the usual success.

At Brenchley, the Edenbridge Cambridge band assembled and rang an 'educational' peal on Wednesday. 'Well, it was a hot day, an' someone was burning grass outside an'...' The afternoon band set off for Shipbourne leaving the dipsomaniacs at Brenchley, still feeding the juke box. Both the tower bell attempt and the fanatics' handbell attempt were lost. During the night the phantom walker discovered that he could fly directly on to the bunk below.—'Happy landing.'

A good peal of Yorkshire Major was rung and enjoyed at Wrotham on the Thursday. Giles Thompson ringing the tenor 'like he was born under it.' A peal was attempted at Mereworth but, due to lack of strength, inspiration and the conductor thinking he had miscalculated, the attempt was lost. A quick ring was arranged at Watlington en route for Doddington. The mammoth cycle ride tested allegiance even to breaking point. The attempt to find an inn was again lacking in success, so the party had to content themselves reading Huxley and drinking orange juice in the common room.—'O, brave young world!'

Success came to an attempt for 14 Minor methods at East Sutton on the Friday—the younger and more agile-minded representatives of the band ringing this. At Leeds Trevor Cross was a welcome addition: however the attempt for Bob Royal finished just under half way, the seventh dodging home at a middle, and the back bells doing likewise! A carnival evening was spent, it being the last gathering of the party before setting off for home.

Thanks go to our leader, Mister Thompson, for again arranging a not so lucrative peal tour but an enjoyable ringing holiday. It is rumoured that the next tour will head south from Stratford. 'SNOW WHITE.'

## OUTING

### BARTON AND SILSOE HALF DAY

Barton and Silsoe ringers with friends had a very enjoyable half-day in Leicestershire, on Sept. 26th. Towers visited were Woodhouse Eaves, Copst Oak, Whitwick, Oaks in Charnwood, Markfield and Anstey.

Highlights of the day were ringing after a wedding on the lovely mellow bells at Whitwick: the sumptuous tea prepared for us at Markfield, and the surprisingly good ringing there after such a feast: and due to a mistake we had a considerable wait outside.

Our thanks are specially given to George Pickwell, who made all of the arrangements from his new home in Leicestershire, and to Peter, who arranged transport. K. F.



# MR. CLAUDE RUSH DELVES INTO 'CHURCH BELLS'

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**ST. EDWARD'S, ROMFORD, ESSEX**  
3rd September, 1881.—5,040 Grandsire Triples 3 hrs. 14 migs. Tenor 17 cwt.—'the first peal since the present church was built.'

**ST. MICHAEL COSLANY, NORWICH**  
By public subscription two small bells were hung in this steeple, making a peal of 8, on 5th February, 1725.

On 1st April, 1727, 10,082 changes of the 'Quarter Peal of Oxford Treble Bob, all eight, or the Union Bob' were rung in 6 hours 28 minutes.

## BRAUGHING, HERTS.

10th May, 1881.—The 102nd Annual Ringing Festival held to celebrate the 12,240 Bob Major rung on 10th May, 1779, in 7 hours 34 minutes. L. Proctor, Esq., of Bennington brought over his admirable team of ringers who rang Stedman, Double Norwich, London, Cambridge, Superlative, Kent and Grandsire. 'The local ringers are progressing fairly well with Bob Major.' (One sees very little reference to London and Cambridge in this volume—Treble Bob, Grandsire and Stedman were more the order of the day.—C.R.)

## SOUTH CHURCH, BISHOP AUCKLAND, DURHAM

Old ring of 5 augmented to 8 by addition of new tenor (11½ cwt.) and two trebles, to be opened 28 Sept. 1881. Bells by Warners. Mr. Mallaby, of Masham, put in a new frame and 'tuned and quartered' the old bells.

## PROGRESS OF SCIENTIFIC RINGING IN CORNWALL

A band of 12 ringers are working assiduously at this delightful though difficult art. On 8 Sept. 1881 they rang a quarter peal (1,260 changes) of Grandsire Triples in 50 minutes at Penzance—the only town in Cornwall which has advanced thus far... Although Cornwall has several fair rings of 8 in more-or-less bad order for scientific ringing, there

is no ring of 10 on which those more advanced can practise. St. Andrew's, of Plymouth, has a grand ring of 10 which should have two trebles added to make 12 and then it would indeed be the ring par excellence of the 3 Western Counties. The steeple of Calstock is the only one in Cornwall adorned with a board recording a peal of Grandsire Minor rung some 15 years ago.'

## PRESIDENT GARFIELD—ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL, ETC., MUFFLED RINGING

26 Sept. 1881.—St. Paul's, by Ancient Society of College Youths, in memory of the late President Garfield. 'The open space in front of St. Paul's and the approaches thereto were thronged with a sympathetic crowd, who listened with mournful interest to the sound of the heavy muffled ringing of the 12 bells (tenor 62 cwt.) which reverberated through the air, and produced a feeling of deep sadness upon the vast assemblage.'

The same day, at Chester Cathedral there was 'a deeply muffled peal (both sides), then the curfew (muffled) was rung for 10 minutes after which they were unmuffled one side, then rung 40 minutes.'

At Huntsham, Devon, they rang half-muffled and the changes were in whole-pulls.

At St. Peter's, Liverpool, they rang 5,093 Grandsire Caters, 3½ hours. Tenor 25 cwt., for President Garfield, the bells being open apparently.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL RINGING ASSOCIATION

12 Sept. 1881.—Meeting at Chippenham. 'The ringers would recommend the churchwardens, when they have new ropes, to procure the best make, and not allow their ringers to cut any part below the sallies off, or tie a knot in the end of the rope to hold by.'

## MARGATE, KENT

28 Sept. 1881.—District meeting of Kent County Association, 80 to 90 being present.

'Little was done at St. John's, Margate, as the bells were not in order,' but the towers of Quex Park (tenor 15 cwt.) and Minster (tenor 24 cwt.) were visited.

## BLAXHALL, SUFFOLK

28 Sept. 1881.—The 5 bells were reopened after overhaul—entirely rehung with new stocks, wheels and fittings complete by Day and Son, Eye. The frame thoroughly restored and strengthened with new oak—the fourth bell recast and the others turned. Twenty to thirty dined at the Ship Inn, Rev. N. Bates, M.A., Rector, in the chair. He provided a supper in the evening. Ringing throughout the day.

## NORTHMOOR, OXON

2 Oct. 1881.—720 Kent T.B. Minor, the 5th and tenor having been rehung by Mr. White, of Besselsleigh.

## ST. NICHOLAS', ABINGDON, BERKS

5 Oct. 1881.—720 Kent T.B. Minor—where all the bells have been turned and rehung by Mr. White. Tenor 7 cwt.

## NORWICH, NORFOLK

26 Sept. 1881.—Norwich Diocesan Association meeting. Fair attendance. 'Would have been greater had it not been known that St. Peter's bells, the great attraction for ringers, were doomed to silence owing to the work of restoration which is still going on outside the tower. The bells of 7 of the city churches were kept well at work, especially St. Giles' which are now again being used after a silence of several years.' About a hundred ringers dined at 'The Lamb.'

## SONNING, BERKS

15 Oct. 1881.—8 bells lately rehung by Mears: Tenor 22 cwt.

Change-ringing replacing 'ups and down and rounds and rounds.' 'We hope soon to see these Churchyard Bobs consigned to Mother Earth.'

## LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION, MEETING AT BOLTON

29 Oct. 1881.—Rev. B. Winfield, B.A. (Manchester), said there was a proverb which ran 'A house-going parson makes a church-going people.' He would be inclined to change it and say 'A belfry-going parson makes a church-going ringer.'

(To be continued)

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## OBITUARY

MR. HERBERT C. EDWARDS  
AN APPRECIATION

With the untimely death on November 10th, in Northampton General Hospital, of Mr. Herbert C. Edwards, the tower of St. Giles', Stony Stratford, has lost a captain and friend of the highest order.

'Bert,' as he was known to one and all, started his ringing in 1908 at the nearby church of Calverton. He rang in many peals, some of them being landmarks in the history of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, of which he had been a member for 50 years.

His working life was spent as a body maker at the London North Western Railway Company's Wolverton works. He excelled in wood carving, especially oak. A peal board he carved is in St. Giles' tower and is a fitting memorial to him. Another pastime was his allotment where he spent many happy hours growing his beloved chrysanthemums: his plot is now in gay profusion with the heads of the blooms seemingly dropped in sorry.

We at St. Giles will miss for a long time his smiling face and happy disposition. We shall always remember him, as indeed will all North Bucks members and many in other branches of the Oxford Diocesan Guild.  
M.G.H.

## MR. CLAYTON E. PARNELL

The Norwich Diocesan has lost one of its oldest members by the death, on November 2nd, of Mr Clayton E. Parnell, in his 90th year.

A native of Beccles, he rang there under the tuition of Mr. Geo. E. Symonds, who was also residing there at the beginning of the century, and he rarely missed ringing for services, or a practice, until he left the town about 1928 for a short stay at Fakenham.

After two years he returned to the Eastern District, residing at Gorleston, and was a regular attender both there and at Great Yarmouth before the war, until failing health stopped him climbing the stairs. A quiet, unassuming character, he was always willing to assist in training learners. He rang 35 peals for the Association.  
E.R.G.

## MR. H. W. (HARRY) SHARP

The Ely Diocesan Association has lost its oldest member, by the death, at the age of 90 years, of Harry Sharp of Wilburton, Cambs. His death occurred on November 15th at the home of his daughter at Cottenham.

He was probably the last surviving foundation member of the Ely Association, and rang fifteen peals for it. Last July he took part in a quarter peal attempt on his 90th birthday. Until the death of his wife, and his removal from Wilburton, he was a regular member of the local band.

His funeral took place at St. Peter's Church, Wilburton, on November 17th. The Ely Diocesan Association was represented by Mr. C. W. Cook and his fellow ringers from Wilburton, who rang the bells he had loved as the cortege left the church. A peal of Rutland Surprise Major was rung at Burwell on November 18th, by members of the Association to his memory.  
C.W.C.

## MR. HARRY WYRE

Mr. Harry Wyre, of Cradley, Worcestershire, who died at his home on November 4th at the age of 72, had been a regular ringer at Cradley for 54 years, and was held in high esteem by the members of St. Peter's band of change ringers.

A man of varied interests, he was closely associated with the Sunday School in earlier days, he had a long association with the Boy Scout movement and received a distinction from Lord Baden-Powell for his services. For very many years he served in the Special Constabulary, rising to the rank of inspector.

The funeral service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. H. L. Davies. As the cortege left for the burial in the family grave the bells were rung by the members of the local band, assisted by members of the Worcestershire Association and Dudley Guild of Change Ringers.  
H.J.S.

## CANON CLEMENT LEEPER

With regret, we announce the death of Canon Clement Leeper, Chancellor of Southwell Minster, which took place at Nottingham General Hospital, on Nov. 12th. He was 82 years of age.

An honorary vice-president of the Southwell Diocesan Guild, he was tremendously keen on ringing, although he was never a change ringer. Since his retirement in 1952, he had been a regular Sunday service ringer at the Minster, and it was mainly due to his articles in the press that Southwell Minster had its ring of 12 in 1961.

A tireless worker for youth, Canon Leeper ran two youth clubs and two football teams and delighted in bringing his club members up the tower on practice nights, as a consequence of his recruiting efforts, Southwell had one of the youngest call change bands in the county.

It was fitting that at his funeral on Nov. 14th there were 70 young people under the age of 18 at the service, and six of the ringers came from his youth clubs. A half-muffled quarter peal was rung in the evening, and one of his young people rang the tenor to his first quarter peal. We shall all miss him: he was truly a Christian gentleman.  
J.R.P.

## MR. L. J. WILLIAMS

With regret, we announce the death of Mr. Laurence J. Williams, aged 73, who had completed 50 years' service ringing at Church Kirk, Lancashire. He died at his home on November 18th after a long illness.

The funeral service took place at Church Kirk last Saturday.

ANTHONY R. PEAKE'S  
200 PEALS

## TOWER BELLS

**Doubles.**—Grandsire 1, Stedman 4 (2), 1—64 methods 26 (16), 77 methods 1 (1), 100 methods 1 (1).

**Minor.**—Plain Bob 10 (3), 1—85 methods 25 (13), one each of 100, 105, 111, 122 and 143 methods, all as conductor.

**Minor.**—Treble Bob: One each of Kent, Trinity Sunday (c), Cotswold (c), Burnaby D, Evening Star D (c), 3 methods, 27 methods (c), 50 methods (c), 60 methods (c).

**Minor.**—Surprise: Cambridge 7 (5), one each of Beverley, Surfleet (c), York (c), Durham (c), London (c), Carlisle (c), Chester (c), Rossendale (c), Lightfoot (c), Blunsdon (c), 7—31 methods 12 (11), 41 methods (10,080 changes), 45 methods 1 (1).

**Triples.**—Plain Bob 2 (1), Stedman 1, Grandsire 4, Oxford Bob 1, Spliced 1 (1).

**Major.**—Plain Bob 8, St. Clement's 1, Little Bob 1, Gainsborough 1 (1), Double Norwich Court Bob 4, Kent Treble Bob 1, Spliced 3 methods 1 (1).

**Major.**—Surprise: Cambridge 4 (1), Yorkshire 5 (1), two each of Southwell, London and Superlative, one each of Wye, Whitwick, New Cambridge, Pudsey, Lincolnshire Cotswold (c), Biddenden (c), Longnev (c), Winchester (c), Gainsborough (c), Walkerville, Chiltern (c), Wychwood, Rutland, Avon (c), Zelah, Aldenham, Fordecombe (c), Ullesthorpe, Jersey (c), Bristol, Belgrave, Melbourne (c), Crediton, Belvedere, Vermont, Aspenden.

**Spliced.**—One each in two methods, three methods, four methods (c), five methods (c), five methods 'all the work' (c), eight methods (c).

**Caters.**—Grandsire (2), Stedman (3).

**Royal.**—Plain Bob 1, Yorkshire 2 (1), one each of Cambridge, New Cambridge, Winchester, Swindon, Stroud, Wembley and Boston (c). (c) and number bracketed indicate 'as conductor.'

## HANDBELLS

**Doubles.**—Three methods 1.

**Minor.**—Plain Bob 3, 2—22 methods 10, 52 methods 1, 63 methods 1, 65 methods 1.

**Treble Bob.**—One each of Sandal T.B., College Bob IV D., Baintree D.: Oxford T.B. 3, 2—48 methods 13, 50 methods 1, 60 methods 1, 64 methods 1.

**Surprise.**—One each of Cambridge, Nether-seale, six methods, ten methods, 14 methods, 10,080 in 14 methods.

All handbell peals except the peal of Doubles rung as conductor.

Total 250; conducted 141.

## ANOTHER BORDER INCIDENT

What would, in diplomatic circles, be described as a threat to world peace occurred on October 17th, when a strong raiding force from the Bedford area penetrated several miles into the south-east corner of Northamptonshire. The invaders are reported to have been led by Stephen of Houghton (no doubt looking for naother conquest!) and supported by De Jongh (pronounced Dee-Jon) of Bristol, Alf of Luton and practically the whole of Maaikden!

The success of the entire enterprise was largely due to the fifth column work of Arthur of Rushden who joined up with the main attacking force at the village of Tichmarsh. The invaders set up temporary headquarters at the parish church, where, after securing the doors to prevent interruption, they pulled furiously on the bell ropes and rang some 5,000 variations on a theme by Ivin.

After this performance the hostile band made a determined attack on the peaceful town of Raunds, where again the church seemed to be their main objective. Here, Arthur left the party, in favour of an evening at a square table! The arrival of Robert of Bedford, however, restored the force to its original strength, and the bells soon announced that the spirits of the band were good.

The number of variations rung however, were much fewer than at Tichmarsh, though William of Raunds had the unique experience, as he thought, of seeing eight bells struck to a course of London Major by seven ringers and seven ropes!

The explanation was that Stephen, considering the 'draught' a little too long, had ascended the tower to a point a few feet below the bells, where, ringing with the bare rope, he kept in place, though the other seven ringers, two floors below, were neither audible nor visible! This performance brought forth loud cheering.

Satisfied with their day's work, the invaders withdrew to the neighbourhood of Bedford as rapidly as they had come, no doubt to plan further depredations, but where will the next attack fall? Peace lovers, look to your independent deterrents!

PROVIDING BELLS FOR A  
WEDDING

THOSE who record bells will find the experiment of Mr. R. G. West, a radio and television engineer of North Lopham, of interest. According to 'The Diss Express' he was asked to reproduce bells ringing for a wedding at Wortham Church, Suffolk.

He obtained a record of the eight bells at Thatcham, Berks. After playing the record through on to a tape recorder he realised his problems were only just beginning. 'I had to get the record on the tape leaving off the start and finish to make it synchronise.'

To overcome this difficulty he rigged up twin turn-tables with intermediate switching and a mirrored lens on a tripod through which he could see the grooves on the record. To make two touches of 12½ minutes' duration, with a short break in the middle and a three-minute toll at the end, Mr. West had to play the record through several times, carefully taking it off at a point before the end and restarting it in exactly the same spot a few grooves in from the beginning. The recording took Mr. West five hours to perfect and, he admits, 'several times I nearly gave up in disgust.'

But Mr. West's first 'disc' was immediately voted a 'hit' and now he receives 'bookings' at other churches without bells. 'If the bells are needed for a church service I supply them free, but if they are for a wedding I make a charge to cover my costs,' he said.

**STOKE BISHOP, BRISTOL.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Williams 1, Miss V. Vincent 2, Mrs. J. Gray 3, D. Bentley 4, R. Brocklehurst 5, P. Gray (cond.) 6. For All Saints' Day Evensong.

## LATE NOTICE

**COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Warwick Archdeaconry Dist.—Meeting at Hatton on Dec. 5th, Bells 3 p.m., service 4.30, tea 5, bells after.—Names for tea to P. F. Bennett, College Farm, Bearsley, Stratford-on-Avon.



## Remembrance Day Quarter Peals

RUNG ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8th.

**ALDBOURNE, WILTS.**—1,260 Grandsire Doubles (1, 3 leading): Miss S. Bailey 1, J. Cuss 2, I. Foote (first quarter) 3, N. Tilley 4, Dr. H. Craig 5, A. Palmer 6, F. Read (cond.) 7, L. Foote 8. Half-muffled.

**BARKING, SUFFOLK.**—1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. R. E. Lester 1, R. E. Lester (cond.) 2, J. J. Prentice 3, Mrs. E. J. Lockwood 4, N. F. Whittell 5, E. J. Lockwood 6. Half-muffled.

**BELGRAVE, LEICS.**—1,260 Siedman Triples: P. Brutnam (first of Siedman) 1, O. Castleman 2, M. Pole 3, A. G. Skinner 4, A. W. Skinner 5, R. Barrow 6, J. P. Kesterton (cond.) 7, C. Martin-Jones 8. Half-muffled.

**BURMARSH, KENT.**—1,320 All Saints' Doubles: Miss A. Rayner 1, Mrs. M. Watts 2, Mrs. R. Wrauten (cond.) 3, R. P. Brotherston (first of All Saints) 4, B. Watts 5, T. Fagg 6.

**CANTERBURY, KENT.**—At St. Dunstan's Church, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss L. Smith (first quarter) 1, J. Stockbridge 2, A. E. Davies 3, Mrs. G. Stockbridge 4, D. C. Chatfield (cond.) 5, T. C. Phillimore 6. Half-muffled.

**CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.**—1,260 Doubles (four methods): Miss E. Meadows 1, J. H. Payton (cond.) 2, M. D. Fuller 3, T. J. Wellen 4, J. F. Payne 5, L. G. Connor 6. First in four methods by all the band. Half-muffled.

**EDENBRIDGE, KENT.**—1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. H. French 1, E. C. Leigh 2, J. M. Hollyman 3, G. S. E. Winter 4, E. J. Jenner 5, D. J. M. Cox 6, B. E. Jeffrey (cond.) 7, L. J. Fox 8. Half-muffled.

**LANCHESTER, DURHAM.**—1,320 Doubles (three methods): J. Tonks 1, A. Walker 2, Miss L. Moore 3, J. Thomson 4, H. P. Thompson (cond.) 5, R. S. Jackson 6. Half-muffled, also in memory of Colonel W. B. Greenwell, churchwarden, died November 6th, aged 83.

**KNOWLE, WARWICKS.**—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Hutchings 1, Miss M. Hutchings 2, P. Kedge 3, G. Lightfoot 4, M. Lawrence (cond.) 5. First quarter 1, 2, 3. Half-muffled.

**LUPPITT, DEVON.**—1,260 Doubles (300 Plain Bob, 960 Grandsire): Miss I. Broom 1, F. Sage (cond.) 2, D. Thorne 3, Miss M. Sage 4, E. Broom 5, W. Broom 6. Half-muffled.

**MARKFIELD, LEICS.**—1,260 Doubles (Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Martin's, St. Simon's, Grandsire, April Day, Plain Bob): J. Wardle 1, K. Burdett 2, H. Over 3, R. D. Hughes 4, G. M. Pickwell (cond.) 5, D. G. Wardle 6. Half-muffled.

**MERROW, SURREY.**—1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Davies (first of Minor) 1, Hazel J. Giddins (first of Minor) 2, A. Pamela Warren 3, R. A. K. Glue 4, S. M. Cobbe (first of Minor) 5, I. Vaughan (cond., 25th at Merrow) 6.

**MOLD, FLINTSHIRE.**—1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, April Day, Reverse Canterbury and Grandsire): Jean Griffiths 1, Jane Owen 2, J. H. Jones (cond.) 3, J. R. Williams 4, J. C. Jones 5, W. Price 6. Half-muffled.

**NORTH MYMMS, HERTS.**—1,280 Rutland Surprise Major: R. Grisedale 1, Miss J. A. Fellows 2, Miss T. Folkes 3, G. Dodds 4, G. Spencer 5, P. J. Coles 6, G. Pemey (cond.) 7, T. J. Lock 8. First in method 2 and 3.

**ROMFORD, ESSEX.**—1,440 Plain Bob Minor (tenor covering): Miss A. Rowland 1, Mrs. M. Poolman 2, F. Markham 3, D. Heath 4, E. Williams (cond.) 5, W. Poolman 6, H. Perry 7, Longest length 1, 2, 3 and 4.

**ROWLEY REGIS, STAFFS.**—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Coley 1, Jean Chiswell 2, K. Charwin 3, A. Roberts 4, D. Chiswell (cond.) 5, G. Chiswell 6. Half-muffled.

**STUDLEY, WARWICKS.**—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss M. Galloway 1, Miss J. Smith 2, R. Spay (cond.) 3, R. H. Hunt 4, E. Styler 5, J. Perkins 6. Half-muffled.

**WALLASEY, CHESHIRE.**—720 Plain Bob Minor: Allison Smith (14 years, first 720) 1, L. Gray 2, T. Rogers 3, W. Rogers 4, K. Gray 5, J. Collingwood (cond.) 6. Half-muffled.

**WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.**—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: M. B. Jefferyes (first quarter) 1, Sally Cobb 2, I. L. Dear 3, R. J. Chapman 4, D. E. Cobb (cond.) 5, M. C. Austin 6. Half-muffled.

**WHEATHAMSTEAD, HERTS.**—1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Miss L. Austin 1, R. Brown 2, Miss G. Brearley 3, M. Sherrick 4, K. Walpole 5, F. Ellis (cond.) 6. First quarter of Surprise on the bells.

**WHITCHURCH, DEVON.**—On Nov. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: E. J. Cann 1, G. E. Mudge 2, J. C. Mitchelmore 3, Doris A. Bray 4, W. C. Boucher (cond.) 5, L. R. Cundy 6. Rung half-muffled for Armistice Day.

## TAUNTON SOCIAL

Over 100 ringers with their wives and, in some cases, children, came to the Taunton Deanery Social, held in the Parish Hall, Wellington, on November 14th. It was a new venture, planned originally as a 'get-together' over a glass of beer and some bread and cheese. But suggestions had flowed in to the Committee, so that the Ringing Master, Mr. N. Maggs, after welcoming the company, started us off with a quiz—3 a-side—Taunton v. Wellington. It must be said that general ringing knowledge was rather poor, and Mr. Maggs had his work cut out to get results. In the end Wellington won by one point.

We were greatly indebted to Mr. W. Coles who organised the showing of slides and the recording of part of the peal rung in the Cathedral at Washington, U.S.A. Mr. Coles gave the commentary, and the Rev. D. F. Morey, Vicar of St. Mary's, Taunton, the Branch Chairman, worked the projector. The slides were lovely, and the spontaneous enthusiasm of the listening crowd when the bells came at last into rounds made us gasp.

Mr. Frank Mack, of Exmouth, brought his ring of six bells, complete with frame, wheels and ropes. The bells were old horse bells, the rest he had made himself, even to the tiny sallies. At home he rings them over the examination pit in his garage, the ringers sitting on the edge. We tried to ring them sitting on chairs—I say 'tried' because even a well-known ringer like Mr. H. V. Young was told 'That is the way not to ring them.' It is said that a visiting band, good ringers too, took two hours to get a touch of 120 Grandsire Doubles. The ring was fascinating, and very much admired.

The Association's Master, the Rev. H. F. Warren, came down from his Exmoor rectory, and the Rev. C. Marshall was welcomed from Long Sutton. Mr. A. H. Reed, the branch secretary, spoke of ringing in the deanery half a century ago, with some interesting details from old records, and thanked everyone who had worked to make the evening a success.

Refreshments, bread and cheese, mince-pies and apples, were organised by the Wellington ringers, and the Sampford Arundel band ran a small but well patronised bar. E. M. W.

## MORE BELFRY GOSSIP

The first peal has been rung at Morval, Cornwall.

The peal at Poynton, Cheshire, on November 14th, was the first by the Sunday service band since the bells were cast in 1887.

Five Cumberlands from Essex and another five from Lincoln joined forces to enjoy a peal of London Surprise Royal at Bedford, on Sunday, November 15th.

We note the progress of Kenilworth Sunday service band who put on a quarter peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor for Sunday Evening, on November 15th.

Wallasey, Cheshire, is proud of 14-year-old Allison Smith, who, apart from a first with her first 720, has another as the first-ever by a lady member of the tower to ring a quarter.

Whitchurch, near Tavistock, Devon, recently reported their first-ever quarter. Their second is to hand this week. Enthusiastic leadership soon produces results.

In the peal at Esher, rung for the Middlesex Association and reported on page 787, the ringer of the second was Miss Joan Spreadbury and not John Spreadbury, as printed. Sorry Joan!

Repairs have started on the bells of St. Mary's, Wroxham, Norfolk. They are to be quarter turned and rehung on ball bearings. It is hoped that the work will be finished by Christmas.

The Peterborough Guild, in their plans for the Central Council's meeting at Northampton next Whitsun, hope to encourage car drivers not to tag along behind the coaches by putting out an alternative programme.

Mr. Bill Stote, of Coventry, had car trouble when he attempted to go to Sapcote for a seven Minor methods attempt on November 2nd. Fortunately Mr. B. L. Burrows was an efficient deputy and the peal was scored.

Few ringers can claim to have rung and conducted their first peal—but David Fenton of Bramley, Leeds, did this in 1955. Now nine years later he has rung his second—before taking up an appointment in Geneva.

The band who rang the peal at Swinderby would like to thank Mrs. Drury for so kindly entertaining the band to supper, both on November 3rd, when they repaired four stays (all Hastings type), and following the peal a week later.

From Hobart, Tasmania, Mr. Gordon Robertson writes, telling of the warm invitation he and his wife have received from Mr. F. E. Collins, to join the band at Croydon Parish Church. They hope to be back in this country in the New Year.

A very good friend of Lincoln ringers is Canon V. I. Dalby, R.I., of St. Giles', Lincoln, and there was genuine regret at the news of his departure to St. Helen's, Boultham. A farewell peal of London Surprise Major was conducted by Mr. J. L. Millhouse.

The quarter peal at Okeford Fitzpaine, on November 14th, was a birthday compliment to H.R.H. The Prince of Wales, and to the conductor (Mr. W. C. Shute). It was preceded by the annual committee meeting of the North Dorset Branch, S.D.G.R., at which the Rev. R. N. and Mrs. Longridge kindly entertained the members to tea.

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## New Parish for Lincoln Ringer

The appointment is announced of the Rev. P. M. Freeman, M.A., Vicar of Messingham with East Butterwick, Scunthorpe, Lincs, to be Vicar of Goxhill, Barrow-on-Humber, Lincs. Mr. Freeman is the younger son of the late Mr. J. A. Freeman, Master of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, and Mrs. Freeman, and brother of Mr. John Freeman, the vice-president of the Central Council and honorary secretary of Lincoln Diocesan Guild. He is a practising ringer. All Saints', Goxhill, has a ring of six bells, the same as Messingham.

## Failure Redeemed

Mr. Donald Clift, who lost a peal of Stedman Caters at Carbis Bay in August, returned there specially on November 14th, and was rewarded with a good peal. He has called two peals of Stedman Caters in Cornwall within 13 months, the other being at Truro Cathedral in October of last year. Previously only two similar peals had been rung in the county, one conducted by the late J. S. Goldsmith on the occasion of the Central Council's visit to Plymouth, in 1932, and the other by the late Frank Bennett, in 1938. Both these peals were at Truro.

## Waltham Abbey

Recent visitors to Waltham Abbey will have noticed the effect of the £40,000 restoration of the church. The final phase of this work was a rededication service, attended by Princess Margaret, when the Abbey bells were put to good use, with ringing on the 12 by the local band, both before and after the service. A peal of Stedman Caters was rung during the afternoon, after which the band was pleased to meet the composer of the peal, Mr. Charles W. Roberts.

## The End of the Season

The last of the half-day excursions arranged by Mr. A. L. Bennett, for Devon Guild members, took place on November 11th, the party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Bould, Messrs. A. L. Bennett, K. E. Fursdon, H. F. Myers and R. A. Southwood. The first tower was Buckfast Abbey, where two of the Community joined in the ringing. After a sumptuous tea at the Coffee House, Buckfastleigh, two six-bell towers—Ilington and Lustleigh—were visited. Ringing was in the four standard methods. Thanks were subsequently accorded to the organiser.

## Jack A Napes

To complete their collection of Doubles methods, Mr. G. Dodd and Mr. R. Jones require the figures of Jack A Napes or Jack on Both Sides Doubles. 'These names,' writes Mr. Dodd, of 7, The White City, Woolton Hill, nr. Newbury, 'frequently crop up by critics of method naming, but none of our informants has any information about them.'

## Sussex U.G. Welcome The Queen

Members of the Sussex University Guild of Change Ringers rang the bells of St. Peter's Church, Brighton, to welcome H.M. the Queen as she passed by on the occasion of her visit to open the new library at the University on November 13th.

## A Generous Gift

The Editor and the Editorial Committee desire to thank Messrs. John Taylor & Co. and Messrs. Mears & Stainbank for generously placing the space occupied by their respective half-page advertisements at the disposal of the paper and at the same time continuing their payments to 'The Ringing World.'

This substantial increase in reading space is much appreciated. 'The Ringing World' Committee have expressed to the Editor a wish that Belfry Gossip should be extended to fill the whole page. To meet this request will necessitate many more contributions from representatives and readers. If all play their part, this page of items of interest about ringers, ringing and bells can be the most attractive feature of the journal.

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## Festival in Rhodesia

Writing from Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia. Mr. F. T. Blagrove informs us that the first week in November is observed as a Festival week at Salisbury Cathedral, and the bells were rung every day from 5 to 5.30 p.m. Ringing was on the front six, except for November 5th, when rounds were rung on ten. This day, apart from being Guy Fawkes Day and Referendum Day, was the anniversary of the dedication of the bells. The week finished with the half-yearly meeting of the Mashonaland Diocesan Guild on the Sunday, when the first touch of Major was rung on the bells, first call changes on the ten and the first eight-bell quarter peal in Central Africa.

## First of Minor in Seven Methods?

At Bramford, near Ipswich, where the tenor is to be recast and there is a talk of an augmentation to eight by the addition of two trebles, Mr. George E. Symonds informs us that a peal board in the ringing chamber records that on January 1st, 1817, a peal in seven methods (Grandsire Bob, Oxford Treble, New Treble, Double Bob, London Court, New London, and Cambridge Surprise) was rung. New Treble, explains Mr. Symonds, is Kent T.B., and he asks: 'Could any of our historians who dabble in the past say when the first peal of Minor was rung in seven methods?'

## Three Start Peals

Three young members of St. Mary's, Southampton, band have rung their first peals within a fortnight. On Oct. 31st at Soberton, Karen Faithfull (12) and Colin J. Butler (14) scored their first, and now at North Stoneham on November 13th, Joy Butler (12) has joined them. The father of Joy and Colin, Mr. Maurice J. Butler, rang in both peals. Friday, the 13th, was certainly not an unlucky day for Joy.

## Grandfather's Peal

Mr. John B. F. Clark, of Harrogate, is anxious for information concerning his grandfather, Mr. Thomas Clark, of Sharow, Ripon. He understands that his grandfather rang in a peal at Ripon Cathedral on August 25th, 1886, which started at 5 a.m. The peal was to mark the millenary of Ripon Cathedral. Is there any documentary evidence of the peal?

## Visitors Help Turramurra

Advantage was taken at Turramurra, New South Wales, of two visitors (Miss Suzette Wright and Mr. Tom Goodyer) to score a quarter peal on October 16th. The band needs outside stiffening for quarters as it is difficult to get younger ringers to progress beyond Plain Bob Doubles.

## The Ringing Family

At a recent Old Whittington practice night with only ten members (reports 'The Belfry News') there were in the tower:  
Two fathers and daughters,  
Two brothers and sisters,  
One husband and wife,  
One father and son,  
One pair of brothers,  
One pair of 'in laws,'  
'Nepotism?' queries 'Tombstone.'



## TOWER BELL PEALS

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

MELLS, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's twelve-part.	Tenor 26 cwt.
Edgar C. Shepherd .. .. Treble	Derrick J. Withers .. .. 5
David G. Massey .. .. 2	Raymond E. J. Baker .. .. 6
Douglas G. Brown .. .. 3	Norman G. N. Knee .. .. 7
*Julian E. Newman .. .. 4	Hugh Vennell .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Norman G. N. Knee.

\* First peal of Grandsire Triples 'inside.'

## CARHAMPTON, Somerset.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Miss A. Platt .. .. Treble	J. Aldridge .. .. 4
A. Somerfield .. .. 2	R. M. Watts .. .. 5
W. Smith .. .. 3	R. J. Somerfield .. .. Tenor

Conducted by W. Smith.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BIGGLESWADE, Beds.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Arthur Gibbs .. .. Treble	Philip Mehew .. .. 5
*David R. Saunderson .. .. 2	Robert L. Piron .. .. 6
Sheila I. Smith .. .. 3	Alfred E. Rushton .. .. 7
Ronald J. Sharp .. .. 4	Stephen Ivon .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Stephen Ivon.

\* First peal of Bristol. First peal of Bristol on the bells.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

TARPORLEY, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Helen.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5152 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Rosemary Eccleston .. Treble	Dennis Latham .. .. 5
Sidney Hough .. .. 2	Neil D. Lomas .. .. 6
Ivor Jenkins .. .. 3	John Robinson .. .. 7
*John A. Booth .. .. 4	Denis Mottershead .. .. Tenor

Composed by Joseph W. Parker.

Conducted by Denis Mottershead.

\* First peal in the method.

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

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5280 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

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

Derek F. Yates .. .. Treble	C. Kenneth Lewis .. .. 5
John Worth .. .. 2	Alan McFall .. .. 6
A. Peter Whitehead .. .. 3	William H. Dowse .. .. 7
Robert J. Warrilow .. .. 4	Frank Osbaldiston .. .. Tenor

Composed by Albert J. Pitman.

Conducted by C. Kenneth Lewis.

## WEAVERHAM, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents, each of Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob.

Sidney Hough .. .. Treble	Douglas F. Welch .. .. 4
Rev. Christopher J. Rees .. .. 2	Denis Mottershead .. .. 5
Brian Schofield .. .. 3	John Robinson .. .. Tenor

Conducted by John Robinson.

## MARBURY, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5100 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being six 240's, thirty 120's (ten callings) and one sixty.

*Frank R. Morton .. .. Treble	†Terence E. Trickett .. .. 4
George A. Packer .. .. 2	†James S. Baker .. .. 5
John E. Brough .. .. 3	Thomas P. Barlow .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Frank R. Morton.

\* 50th peal. † First of Grandsire.

Rung half-muffled in memory of William T. Holding of Crewe.

## POYNTON, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. George.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Consisting of two extents, each of Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B., and three of Plain Bob.

Roger Steer .. .. Treble	Douglas Welch .. .. 4
*Christopher Jenkins (13) .. .. 2	Sidney Hough .. .. 5
Rosemary Eccleston .. .. 3	Ivor Jenkins .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Ivor Jenkins.

\* First peal 'inside.' First as conductor.

Rung half-muffled for Mr. G. C. Verney (organist), died November 9th, 1964.

## THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

DUFFIELD, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Alkmund.

On Thurs., Sept. 17, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 1 lb.	
Fred W. Stone .. .. Treble	David W. Parkin .. .. 6
Joseph C. Woodley .. .. 2	Douglas Derbyshire .. .. 7
Derek G. Astridge .. .. 3	Gordon A. Halls .. .. 8
Marilyn Astridge .. .. 4	Burley P. Morris .. .. 9
Geo. L. Roobottom .. .. 5	Harold Taylor .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. C. Shepherd.

Conducted by Gordon A. Halls.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

WALSOKEN, Cambridgeshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Wed., Nov. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In four methods, consisting of 720 each of Kent and Oxford T.B., St. Clement's and four extents of Plain Bob.

Tenor 19 cwt. 1 qr. 1 lb. in E.	
M. Rowland Reed .. .. Treble	Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. .. 4
Fred Wigmore .. .. 2	Leslie W. Houghton .. .. 5
Tom Bush .. .. 3	Norman V. Harding .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Norman V. Harding.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

WALTHAM ABBEY, Essex.—At the Church of the Holy Cross and St. Lawrence.

On Thurs., Nov. 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5031 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 38 cwt. 3 qr. 21 lb.	
Leonard J. Fox .. .. Treble	John Phillips .. .. 6
John H. Crampion .. .. 2	Raymond G. Cousins .. .. 7
Harry Turner .. .. 3	Robert J. Chapman .. .. 8
Michael C. Austin .. .. 4	John Armstrong .. .. 9
Frederick W. Ellis .. .. 5	Donald E. Cobb .. .. Tenor

Composed by Charles W. Roberts.

Conducted by John H. Crampion.

Rung following the Service of Rededication of the Abbey by the Bishop of Chelmsford in the presence of H.R.H. Princess Margaret.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

HARPENDEN, Herts.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Martyn J. Marriott .. Treble	Walter Ayre .. .. 5
*Joyce Dodds .. .. 2	Geoffrey Dodds .. .. 6
Kathleen A. Rivett .. .. 3	Alfred E. Rushton .. .. 7
Ronald J. Sharp .. .. 4	Stephen Ivon .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Stephen Ivon.

\* First peal of London. Tenor 12½ cwt. in F sharp.

Rung as a tribute to the memory of Lewis A. Goodenough.

## BENINGTON, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt.	
Stuart J. Hutton .. Treble	J. Richard Castledine .. .. 5
Edwin G. Buck .. .. 2	Frank B. Lufkin .. .. 6
G. William Critchley .. .. 3	Colin A. S. Harwood .. .. 7
Claudia A. Critchley .. .. 4	Jack S. Dear .. .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivon.

Conducted by G. William Critchley.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Wed., Nov. 11, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. in E.	
John A. Booth .. .. Treble	Jeffrey Brannan .. .. 5
*Joyce Grainger .. .. 2	†Darryl Gillespie .. .. 6
*Geoffrey R. Gardner .. .. 3	*Eric Roughley .. .. 7
†Denis Latham .. .. 4	John Robinson .. .. Tenor

Composed by Arthur Craven.

Conducted by John Robinson.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. † First in the method. \* First on eight bells.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

Syston District.

BURSTALL, Leics.—At the Church of St. James-the-Great.

On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents (all different).	Tenor 10 cwt. 13 lb.
*Richard S. Moore .. Treble	Hugh A. Thomas .. .. 4
Jane E. Robinson .. .. 2	Rupert A. Clarke .. .. 5
David F. Moore .. .. 3	Geoffrey M. Brewin .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey M. Brewin.

\* First peal.

Rung on the eve of All Saints' Day, the first anniversary of the dedication of the new church.



## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

LINCOLN.—At the Church of St. Giles.

On Mon., Nov. 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 lb. in E.

Norah M. Randles .. .. Treble	George H. Randles .. .. 5
*Anne E. Bateson .. .. 2	Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. 6
Joyce M. Gurnhill .. .. 3	Geoffrey Paul .. .. 7
Jack L. Millhouse .. .. 4	Peter A. Sharp .. .. Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

\* First peal of London Surprise Major.

A farewell compliment to Rev. Canon V. I. Dalby, R.D., on leaving the parish for St. Helen's, Boultham. A birthday compliment to Miss A. E. Bateson.

## GOSBERTON, Lincs.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Mon., Nov. 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPICED SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents in 18 methods, viz: (1) Cambridge, Primrose, Ipswich, Norfolk, Hull and Bourne, (2) London and Wells, (3) Stamford and Rossendale, (4) Lightfoot and Wearmouth, (5) York and Durham, (6) Berwick and Hexham, (7) Beverley and Surfleet.

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb.

Denis Woods .. .. Treble	†George W. Massey .. .. 4
*Raymond H. Daw .. .. 2	Cyril R. Burrell .. .. 5
Ronald C. Noon .. .. 3	Brian Harris .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Brian Harris.

\* Most methods to a peal. † First peal in 18 Surprise Minor 'inside.' First in 18 methods as conductor.

## THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

PENYFAL, Glamorgan.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sun., Nov. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being one 240 and 40 six-scores.

Tenor 14 cwt.

Thomas E. Hiddins .. Treble	William T. Petty .. .. 3
D. R. Lynn Jones .. .. 2	Harold Preece .. .. 4

D. Walford Davies .. .. Tenor

Conducted by William T. Petty.

Rung for Remembrance Day, and for the centenary of Glanrhyd Hospital.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

GORLESTON, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt.

Arthur Cooper .. .. Treble	Peter G. W. Newstead .. .. 5
Juanita McBride .. .. 2	Edwin R. Goate .. .. 6
Norman P. J. Cossey .. 3	A. William Bird .. .. 7
Alfred W. Fulcher .. .. 4	William B. Duncan .. .. Tenor

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood.

Conducted by Edwin R. Goate.

Half-muffled in memoriam Clayton E. Parnell.

## PAKEFIELD, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Margaret and All Saints.

On Thurs., Nov. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 4 lb. in G.

George Howlett .. .. Treble	William B. Duncan .. .. 5
A. William Bird .. .. 2	Stephen High .. .. 6
Douglas Mitchell .. .. 3	J. Barry Pickup .. .. 7
*Susan Courtney .. .. 4	Peter Kindred .. .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. Worsley.

Composed by J. Barry Pickup.

\* First peal.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

APPLETON, Berks.—At the Church of St. Laurence.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5043 STEDMAN CATERERS

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in E.

Brian R. White .. .. Treble	John Drewitt .. .. 6
Frederick A. H. Wilkins .. 2	Denis Leslie .. .. 7
Patricia E. Hibbert .. .. 3	Frederick C. White .. .. 8.
John H. Napper .. .. 4	Francis A. White .. .. 9
Norman Leslie .. .. 5	Edwin Drewitt .. .. Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.

Conducted by Brian R. White.

Rung half-muffled in memory of the fallen.

## ALDERMASTON, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Wed., Nov. 11, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5056 STAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb. in G.

Eunice A. Lewis .. .. Treble	Frank W. Lewis .. .. 5
Patricia E. Buss .. .. 2	Peter J. Shipton .. .. 6
Reginald W. Rex .. .. 3	Brian J. Luff .. .. 7
Felicity T. Webber .. .. 4	Geoffrey K. Dodd .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. Middleton.

Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

First peal in the method by all the band and for the Guild.

## CHIPPING NORTON, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5152 OVERSEALE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in F sharp.

Christopher C. Clarke .. Treble	Alan E. Bagworth .. .. 5
Frederick R. Scott .. .. 2	Edward R. Venn .. .. 6
Michael Hatchet .. .. 3	Robin G. Leale .. .. 7
David P. Hilling .. .. 4	J. Keith Ward .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

Conducted by J. Keith Ward.

## HOOK NORTON, Oxon.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5084 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

John W. T. Hibbert .. Treble	John H. Napper .. .. 5
Patricia E. Hibbert .. .. 2	Geoffrey K. Dodd .. .. 6
*Anthony D. Sansom .. .. 3	Arthur Sayers .. .. 7
Reginald W. Rex .. .. 4	A. Patrick Cannon .. .. Tenor

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood.

Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon.

\* First peal of Double Norwich. Tenor 20 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in E.

## THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.

WARBOROUGH, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Laurence.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 14 lb. in G.

Hilary F. Pardoe .. .. Treble	Anthony P. Foster .. .. 5
Paul A. Brand .. .. 2	G. Robert Mordaunt .. .. 6
Margaret A. Muir .. .. 3	Roger M. Heyworth .. .. 7
*Peter H. P. Harris .. .. 4	John W. Thorp .. .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. Worsley.

Conducted by John W. Thorp.

\* First peal. First of Major as conductor.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

LONG SUTTON, Lincs.—At the Church of St. Mary

On Mon., Sept. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5184 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

George W. Massey .. .. Treble	Roger D. Bailey .. .. 5
*Rev. A. S. Roberts .. .. 2	Ronald C. Noon .. .. 6
Edwin T. Chapman .. .. 3	Cyril R. Burrell .. .. 7
Derek J. Jones .. .. 4	Brian Harris .. .. Tenor

Composed by Thomas B. Worsley.

Conducted by Brian Harris.

\* 250th peal.

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 lb. in F.

Rung to celebrate the wedding of Wendy Hollowell and Raymond H. Daw.

## EDENHAM, Lincs.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Wed., Sept. 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in F sharp.

Shirley Harris .. .. Treble	*Roy W. Spencer .. .. 5
Ronald C. Noon .. .. 2	*Frank Boyall .. .. 6
*George S. Bush .. .. 3	John H. Bluff .. .. 7
Roger D. Bailey .. .. 4	Brian Harris .. .. Tenor

Composed by Thomas B. Worsley.

Conducted by Brian Harris.

\* First peal of Oxford T.B. Major.

To celebrate the marriage of Wendy Hollowell and Raymond H. Daw.

## IRTHLINGBOROUGH, Northants.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In three methods, being 1,920 Rutland and 1,600 each of Cambridge and Yorkshire. 64 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.

Stanley Ruddlesden .. Treble	*†Roger W. Smith .. .. 5
Patrick I. Chapman .. .. 2	Alan A. Paul .. .. 6
*Shelagh R. Collins .. .. 3	Charles E. Truman .. .. 7
Geoffrey E. Watson .. .. 4	Barrie Hendry .. .. Tenor

Composed by Philip G. K. Davies.

Conducted by Barrie Hendry.

\* First of Spiced Surprise Major.

† 75th peal. First of Spiced

as conductor.

Rung to welcome Richard David, son of David and Margaret James, at present residing in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

## LAMPOR, Northamptonshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Oct. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 5 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINIMUS

*Geoffrey D. Thomas .. Treble	Hilary Knight .. .. 3
†Joyce M. Clipston .. .. 2	Roy H. Jones .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Roy H. Jones.

\* First peal attempt. † First of Minimus.

First peal on the bells and believed to be the first peal of Minimus for the Guild.

Rung for the opening of XVIII Olympic Games.

## THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

SHREWSBURY.—At the Church of St. Chad.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 39 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb.

Bessie Carter .. .. Treble	Richard E. Morris .. .. 6
Frederick A. H. Cattell .. 2	Reginald H. Newton .. .. 7
Frederick Leech .. .. 3	Frederick G. Beddow .. .. 8
E. Marion Key .. .. 4	Barnabas G. Key .. .. 9
Philip J. Evans .. .. 5	Clifford H. Barron .. .. Tenor

Composed by George Hayward.

Conducted by Barnabas G. Key.

Rung to mark the 50th anniversary of the recasting of the twelve bells by John Taylor, which were originally cast by T. Mears in 1798.



## THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

LONDON.—At the Church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields.

On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5009 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 30 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb. in D flat.

Dorcen A. Deverell .. .. Treble	Edwin A. Barnett .. .. 7
*E. Jane Sibson .. .. 2	Eerek E. Sibson .. .. 8
Joan Beresford .. .. 3	Frank J. Matthews .. .. 9
Marjorie F. Matthews .. .. 4	Edmund Malin .. .. 10
Ronald F. Diserens .. .. 5	Dennis Beresford .. .. 11
Walter H. Dobbie .. .. 6	Peter Beresford .. .. Tenor

Composed by John Carter

Conducted by Dennis Beresford.

\* First peal on twelve bells.

## BEDFORD.—At the Church of St. Paul.

On Sun., Nov. 15, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

No. 3 version. Tenor 28 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in D.

Jack L. Millhouse .. .. Treble	Dennis A. S. Symonds .. .. 6
*Margaret A. Parker .. .. 2	Geoffrey Paul .. .. 7
Claire Dillamore .. .. 3	Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. 8
Joe E. G. Roast .. .. 4	Peter J. Eves .. .. 9
Patrick W. Saltmarsh .. .. 5	Howard W. Eggleston .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Kenneth Lewis.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

\* First peal of London Surprise Royal.

## FAIRWARP, Sussex.—At Christ Church.

On Sun., Nov. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CASSIOBURY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15½ cwt. in F sharp.

Peter Beresford .. .. Treble	Stanley G. Ponting .. .. 5
Patricia Diserens .. .. 2	Ronald F. Diserens .. .. 6
Margaret A. Bould .. .. 3	Derek E. Sibson .. .. 7
Joan Beresford .. .. 4	Dennis Beresford .. .. Tenor

Composed by John R. Mayne.

Conducted by Dennis Beresford.

First peal in the method for all the band and for the Society.

Rung for All Saints' Day.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

EAST RETFORD, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Swithun.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 23 cwt. in E flat.

*John Coates .. .. Treble	Jack L. Millhouse .. .. 6
*Anne E. Bateson .. .. 2	Geoffrey H. Randles .. .. 7
Norah M. Randles .. .. 3	†Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. 8
Joyce M. Gurnhill .. .. 4	†Peter A. Sharp .. .. 9
Harry Poyner .. .. 5	Geoffrey Paul .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Kenneth Lewis.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

\* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal. † 100th peal together.

## SWINDERBY, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Tues., Nov. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 ALL SAINTS' DOUBLES

Being 4 extents each of St. Miles, St. John, St. Giles, St. Nicholas, St. Andrew, St. Martin, St. Paul, St. Leonard, St. Simon and St. Albans and 2 extents All Saints.

S. Jane Dowse .. .. Treble	Ruth Blackshaw .. .. 3
Margaret E. Chilton .. .. 2	Maurice Harrison .. .. 4

William L. Exton .. .. Tenor

Conducted by William L. Exton.

Rung for the Patronal Festival and as an 81st birthday compliment to Mrs. Drury.

## BABWORTH, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Seven extents. Tenor 7½ cwt.

*C. Anthony Parsons .. Treble	†David D. Parsons .. .. 4
Mary C. Poyner .. .. 2	‡John Coates .. .. 5
Anne E. Bateson .. .. 3	Harry Poyner .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Harry Poyner.

\* First on treble to Surprise. † First of Surprise. ‡ First in the method.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

TWICKENHAM, Middlesex.—At the Church of All Hallows.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in E.

Christopher F. Mew .. Treble	Alan R. Millidge .. .. 6
*Katharine M. Guy .. .. 2	†D. Paul Smith .. .. 7
*Robert J. Cooles (16) .. 3	‡Noel R. Waite .. .. 8
Bryan C. T. Burrough .. 4	Bernard E. Matthews .. 9
*Peter J. Bushell .. .. 5	Michael J. Uphill .. .. Tenor

Arranged by Christopher F. Mew.

Conducted by Michael J. Uphill.

\* First peal on ten bells. † First of Plain Bob Royal. ‡ First of Royal. First of Royal as conductor.

Rung to mark the 24th anniversary of the consecration of this church.

## WALBERTON, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 15 lb. in G.

Robert J. Cooles .. .. Treble	*Peter J. Bushell .. .. 4
Sylvia Harrington .. .. 2	†Norman F. Edwards .. 5
Jean M. Egerton .. .. 3	Michael J. Uphill .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Michael J. Uphill.

\* First peal of Minor. † First of Minor 'inside.'  
Rung as a 64th birthday compliment to Mrs. Egerton, mother of the ringer of the third.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BURGESS HILL, Sussex.—At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb. in F sharp.

Stanley G. Ponting .. Treble	Kenneth C. Knight .. .. 5
Edgar R. Rapley .. .. 2	Dennis L. Hall .. .. 6
*Norman J. Wright .. .. 3	W. Leslie Weller .. .. 7
Jean M. Hall .. .. 4	A. Patrick Cannon .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. F. Lewry.

Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon.

\* First peal of Major.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. Henry J. Gravett, 60 years a ringer at this church. Also to congratulate the Vicar, the Rev. F. A. Thompson and Mrs. Thompson on their silver wedding.

## CRAWLEY, Sussex.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 13½ cwt.

*W. T. Beeson .. .. Treble	B. G. Burrough .. .. 5
†A. J. Bull .. .. 2	B. E. Matthews .. .. 6
K. G. Game .. .. 3	G. T. Jennings .. .. 7
E. R. Rapley .. .. 4	J. W. Euston .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. Fleming.

Conducted by J. W. Euston.

\* 50th peal in this tower. † 100th peal in this tower.

To celebrate their first peal in this tower, Worcester Treble Bob Major, October 13th, 1920.

## THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

CARBIS BAY, Cornwall.—At the Church of St. Anta and All Saints.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5043 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 5 lb.

Donald G. Clift .. .. Treble	Douglas Burnett .. .. 6
Rev. Arthur S. Roberts .. 2	Robert A. Southwood .. 7
Margaret A. Bould .. .. 3	D. Roy Bould .. .. 8
Herbert C. Spencer .. .. 4	Alan Carveth .. .. 9
Colin Reeves .. .. 5	Anthony Locke .. .. Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.

Conducted by Donald G. Clift.

First peal of Stedman Caters on the bells. Rung to mark the laying on November 1st, by the Bishop of the Diocese, the stone, commemorating the building of the nave of this church.

## MORVAL, Cornwall.—At the Church of St. Wenna.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 40 six-scores and one 240. Tenor 9 cwt.

Alan Carveth .. .. Treble	Anthony Locke .. .. 4
*Frances M. Rickard .. .. 2	‡Brian J. Sautelle-Smith .. 5
†Dennis Stephens .. .. 3	Stewart J. Robinson .. Tenor

Conducted by Alan Carveth.

\* First peal of Doubles. † First 'inside.' ‡ First peal. First peal on the bells.

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THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.  
NORTH STONEHAM, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.  
On Fri., Nov. 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's 12-part. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb in G.  
\*Joy F. Butler .. .. Treble \*John Franks .. .. 5  
Carolyn Vibert .. .. 2 Maurice J. Butler .. .. 6  
Michael J. Thomas .. .. 3 David J. Forder .. .. 7  
John K. Faithful .. .. 4 Peter J. Joyce .. .. Tenor

Conducted by David J. Forder.

\* First peal.

BARTON STACEY, Hampshire.—At the Church of All Saints.  
On Mon., Nov. 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 ANTELOPE DOUBLES

42 extents. Tenor 7 cwt. 12 lb. in A flat.  
Charles A. Ball .. .. Treble Christopher H. Smith .. .. 4  
Geoffrey K. Dodd .. .. 2 Reginald F. Crook .. .. 5  
Frank R. Tonge .. .. 3 John W. Cheney .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

First peal of Antelope Doubles by all, in the county and for the Guild.

ERLESTOKE, Wiltshire.—At the Church of the Holy Saviour.  
On Sun., Nov. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one 720 of Kent Treble Bob, and six 720's of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 9 cwt. in A.  
Bradley Murduck .. .. Treble Reginald F. Crook .. .. 4  
Denby P. Murduck .. .. 2 Geoffrey K. Dodd .. .. 5  
Philip Murduck .. .. 3 A. Patrick Cannon .. .. Tenor

Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon.

First peal in more than one method on the bells.

and

THE GUILD OF RINGERS OF ST. THOMAS OF CANTERBURY  
(Portsmouth Cathedral.)

CATHERINGTON, Hants.—At the Church of All Saints.  
On Wed., Nov. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

3 callings. Tenor 9 cwt.  
\*Andrew Dixon .. .. Treble \*R. Ian Bowron .. .. 4  
Alan A. J. Buswell .. .. 2 Ernest Treagus .. .. 5  
†Patricia M. Samuel .. .. 3 K. Paul Gilliver .. .. Tenor

Conducted by K. Paul Gilliver.

\* First peal attempt. † First of Plain Bob Minor.  
Rung by members of Portsmouth Cathedral.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
KIDDERMINSTER, Worcs.—At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 24 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb.  
Tudor P. Edwards .. .. Treble Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 7  
Neil Bennett .. .. 2 John Robinson .. .. 8  
Richard S. Starkie .. .. 3 Derek A. Ashton .. .. 9  
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. .. 4 Frederick Shallcross .. .. 10  
David G. Wilford .. .. 5 Rev. Roger O. Fry .. .. 11  
John H. Fielden .. .. 6 Denis Mottershead .. .. Tenor

Composed by F. Dench. Conducted by John H. Fielden.

NETHERTON DUDLEY, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Fri., Nov. 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 lb. in F sharp.  
\*John L. Caddick .. .. Treble Peter L. Bill .. .. 5  
M. Irene Ellsmore .. .. 2 Geoffrey Westwood .. .. 6  
Harold J. Shuck .. .. 3 John C. Eisel .. .. 7  
Martin D. Fellows .. .. 4 Michael J. Fellows .. .. Tenor

Composed by John R. Pritchard.

Conducted by Michael J. Fellows.

\* First peal.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

CALVERLEY, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Wilfrid.  
On Thurs., Nov. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5120 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb. in G.  
Roger J. Lumley .. .. Treble Douglas Thorp .. .. 5  
\*J. David Cox .. .. 2 \*David Fenton .. .. 6  
Wilfred Lee .. .. 3 Peter M. Dawson .. .. 7  
Roger Waddington .. .. 4 Barry Sullivan .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Peter M. Dawson.

\* First of Major.

Rung as a farewell to the ringer of the 6th, who has taken an appointment in Geneva.

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

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

\*John Potts .. .. Treble Alan Sheppard .. .. 5  
Ronald R. Warford .. .. 2 James Thorley .. .. 6  
†John F. Underwood .. .. 3 Kenneth B. Sissons .. .. 7  
†Melvyn A. Rose .. .. 4 Leslie M. Woodhead .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. Knights.

Conducted by Leslie M. Woodhead.

\* 125th peal. † First of Kent T.B. Major. Jamens Thorley has now 'circled the tower.' Tenor 17 cwt.

IDLE, Yorkshire.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb. in F.  
Mrs. H. B. Schofield .. Treble Roger J. Lumley .. .. 5  
Iris Lemare .. .. 2 Barry Sullivan .. .. 6  
A. William Kirkby .. .. 3 Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 7  
B. Gillian Schofield .. .. 4 Alfred Smith .. .. Tenor

Composed by Charles J. Sedgley (No. 8).

Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

## HANDBELL PEALS

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ST. ALBANS, Hertfordshire.—At 17, Queen Street.  
On Fri., Nov. 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 10 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor size 11 in G.  
Gerald Penney .. .. 1-2 Geoffrey Dodds .. .. 5-6  
Thomas J. Lock .. .. 3-4 Joyce Dodds .. .. 7-8  
Composed by N. J. Pitstow. Conducted by Gerald Penney.

First in the method as conductor.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

HARROW, Middlesex.—At 170, Headstone Lane.

On Fri., Oct. 30, 1964, in 1 Hour and 57 Minutes.

### A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents, with 5-6 the right way throughout.  
Tenor size 15 in C.  
\*Thomas J. Lock .. .. 1-2 Roger Baldwin .. .. 3-4  
John R. Mayne .. .. 5-6  
Conducted by John R. Mayne.

\* First peal of London Surprise Minor on handbells.

## FILLING THE GAP—Continued from Page 1.

faithful conductor and instructor in the village tower is often playing a bigger part towards posterity than he imagines in change ringing.

Another interesting chapter is headed 'The Eye Witness.' This is a collection of dramatic stories of our art, stories that will be read and reread, like Washbrook conducting London Surprise at Merton College and ending with 'The greatest of all,' the account of the ringing of the extent of Major by the conductor, Robert B. Smith. This is a story that will live all the time change ringing remains and succeeding generations of ringers will digest it with youthful enthusiasm.

We have previously mentioned the record that accompanies this book. Its value is greatly enhanced by the background to the ringing—supplied by the author—and his comments on the standard and style achieved. The selection is wide: there are the famous Bow Bells (the old and the new 12); Stedman Triples from Westminster Abbey, Lavenham and Portsea; a bright light eight ringing Bob Major at St. Mary's, Hampton; a sample of tens with Lichfield Cathedral and Washington Cathedral (the bells were only opened last Ascension Day) and the 12's at St. Paul's, London, St. Mary Redcliffe, Bristol, and St. Philip's Cathedral, Birmingham. But the immaculate striking in the 'cartwheel' ringing at Friezland will hold all Minor ringers spellbound. It reached a great height and is rarely heard in other parts of the country. The record also gives a sample of handbell ringing by the American Guild of Handbell ringers (perhaps one day we shall have a record of Mr. Frederick Sharpe's Launton ringers) and also of carillon playing at Loughborough by Mr. W. E. Jordan.

We feel that Mr. Shepherd has given to the Exercise a book that will be treasured and regarded as a 'masterpiece' in many ringing households. It is beautifully illustrated and a splendid example of modern typographical art.



# QUARTER PEALS

**ALDRIDGE, STAFFS.**—On Nov. 8th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Miss M. Painter 1, G. Goodwin 2, M. J. Mulvey (cond.) 3, Miss M. Westwood 4, J. P. Burton 5, C. Gall 6. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. C. Gall on the birth of a son.

**ASTON INGHAM, HEREFORDS.**—On Nov. 7th, 1,260 Grandshire Doubles: F. Blower 1, Ann Butcher (first quarter) 2, W. Jones 3, A. T. Poulton 4, J. J. Webb (cond.) 5, F. Oakley 6.

**BALDOCK, HERTS.**—On Nov. 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Jill Orme (first quarter) 1, D. Sutcliffe 2, A. Buck 3, E. Buck (cond.) 4, P. Flack 5, C. Harwood 6, J. Dear 7, S. Hutton 8. For Parish Communion.

**BARKING, SUFFOLK.**—On Nov. 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. R. E. Lester 1, R. E. Lester (cond.) 2, Mrs. E. J. Lockwood 3, L. Wright 4, J. J. Prentice 5, M. J. Rose 6. Following thanksgiving service, and presentations, by Diocesan Bishop, to Canon and Mrs. S. H. de la Bree, on impending retirement after 39 years as Rector.

**BLACKHILL, CO. DURHAM.**—On Nov. 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Scott 1, S. Zvegintov 2, H. P. Thompson 3, R. S. Skelton 4, C. T. Lamb (cond.) 5, W. Tyson 6, G. Ratcliffe 8. For Confirmation by the Bishop of Durham.

**BLITHFIELD, STAFFS.**—On Nov. 15th, 1,260 Doubles (five variations): P. C. Bowen (first quarter) 1, Marlene E. Townsend 2, C. W. Bowen 3, B. J. Townsend 4, C. M. Smith (cond.) 5, L. E. Monk 6. First of five variations by 2, 3 and 4.

**BRANCEPETH, CO. DURHAM.**—On June 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Kay Murphy (first quarter) 1, Christine M. Saville 2, B. Redgers 3, P. W. Darby 4, L. R. Pizzey 5, W. G. Wilson (cond.) 6. Rung by the Durham University Society as a 21st birthday compliment to Kay Murphy. Also on Nov. 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Kay Murphy 1, Pauline Kyme 2, Christine M. Saville 3, Rev. C. J. Rees 4, Janet Somerville 5, P. W. Darby (first as cond.) 6. By Durham University Society for Evensong.

**BUSHEY HEATH, HERTS.**—On Oct. 12th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: 2, Miss G. Rainger (first quarter) 1, Mrs. T. Norris 2, Mrs. M. Glover 3, C. Cook 4, E. Ashby 5, Miss P. Norris 6, A. Fensom (first on working bell) 7, T. Norris (cond.) 8. For Harvest Festival. Also on Nov. 11th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. T. Norris 1, C. Simpson 2, Miss L. Simpson 3, Mrs. M. Glover 4, C. Cook 5, L. North 6, Miss P. Norris 7, T. Norris (cond.) 8. A compliment to ringer of the 2nd, on his engagement to Miss Jean Millett, of Keighley, Yorks.

**CANTERBURY, KENT.**—At St. Dunstan's Church, on Nov. 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. E. Davies 1, J. Stockbridge 2, Mrs. G. Stockbridge 3, A. Butler 4, D. C. Chatfield (cond.) 5, C. Beeching 6. A wedding compliment to Beryl, whose father, Mr. P. Richards, is a keen member of the local band.

**CROYDON, SURREY.**—On Nov. 1st, at the Church of St. John the Baptist, 1,259 Grandshire Caters: Mrs. N. S. Bagworth 1, Mrs. F. E. Collins 2, E. J. Razzell 2, A. J. Brown (first on 10) 4, R. Davies 5, N. D. Brown 6, N. S. Bagworth 7, R. C. Stevens 8, F. E. Collins (cond.) 9, K. Taber 10.

**EWELME, OXON.**—On Oct. 31st, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Ann Winfield 1, Margaret Salt 2, F. Godden 3, R. Baker 4, R. Tuckwell (cond.) 5, A. Lawrence 6. Rung in memory of Herbert J. Winfield, foreman and ringer at this church for many years. Interred on October 28th.

**FAWLEY, HANTS.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 All Saints' Doubles: Miss R. Brown (first quarter) 1, Mrs. P. M. Ball 2, L. D. Smith 3, R. Allinson 4, M. Peters (cond.) 5, L. V. Smith 6. First in the method by all the band and on the bells. For All Saints' Day.

**FINEDON, NORTHANTS.**—On Nov. 12th, 1,272 Kent Treble Bob Minor: K. Chapman 1, R. Crowley 3, E. Buckley 4, F. Coates 5, I. Hall 6, D. Pearson (cond.) 7, E. Chapman (covering) 8. A birthday compliment to tenor ringer.

**FULHAM, LONDON.**—At All Saints' Church, on Nov. 15th, 1,260 Grandshire Triples: N. L. Bell 1, R. T. Coates 2, Joan Spreadbury 3, A. R. Millidge 4, J. L. Bell 5, P. J. Bushell 6, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 7, J. A. G. Harvey 8. For Evensong.

**GRETTON, NORTHANTS.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Patricia M. Reynolds (first quarter) 1, G. Norris (first 'inside') 2, Vanessa C. A. Rodrigues 3, R. R. Sparrow (first 'inside') 4, G. W. Reynolds (cond.) 5. For All Saints' Day.

**HALESOWEN, WORCS.**—On Nov. 10th, 1,260 Grandshire Triples: G. Shillock (first quarter) 1, J. H. Cox 2, M. Irene Ellmore 3, H. Shillock 4, M. J. Fellows 5, I. Shillock (first 'inside') 6, A. B. Ellmore (cond.) 7, P. Brown 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of George Herbert Jones, past organist, and Percy Brown, past superintendent of the Sunday school.

**HINTON BLEWETT, SOMERSET.**—On Nov. 16th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: F. Andrews 1, K. T. Baker 2, Alan Perry (first as cond.) 3, M. Heymann 4, R. Smith 5. For Confirmation and Patronal Festival.

**INGESTRE, STAFFS.**—On Nov. 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. W. Bowen 1, J. E. Dolman 2, P. J. Barker 3, C. T. Collins 4, L. Monk 5, J. B. Webb (cond.) 6. For the wedding of Miss Sylvia Y. Hudson to Mr. Arthur C. Graham.

**IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.**—At the Church of St. Matthew, on Nov. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. J. Howes 1, Jill Harris 2, R. G. Kersey 3, A. J. Munnings 4, N. F. Whittell 5, P. R. Harris (cond.) 6. Half-muffled in memory of Mrs. E. E. Harris, who died on November 12th, aged 92.

**KENILWORTH, WARWICKS.**—On Nov. 15th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. Royal 1, Miss J. Atkinson 2, A. Cox 3, C. Royal 4, S. Royal (cond.) 5, C. Sweeney 6. First of Surprise 1 and 3, and as conductor. For Evensong.

**KING'S LYNN, NORFOLK.**—On Nov. 14th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: R. Newson 1, W. Cousins 2, C. Cousins 3, C. V. Tovell 4, T. Bush 5, E. Mastin 6, R. Reed 7, L. W. Houghton 8, N. V. Harding 9, Rev. G. Galley (cond.) 10. For H.R.H. the Prince of Wales' birthday.

**KIRKBY-IN-FURNESS, LANCs.**—On Nov. 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Eileen Ellis (first quarter) 1, C. Newby (first 'inside') 2, Diana J. Handley 3, Rev. E. C. Whitaker 4, P. Handley 5, N. M. Newby (cond.) 6. For the wedding of Miss Brenda Margaret Tyson and Mr. James Norman Wilson.

**KIRK ELLA, E. YORKS.**—On Nov. 15th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: A. B. Cooper 1, M. J. Wilson (first of Surprise) 2, I. N. Goldthorpe 3, K. Kirk 4, H. C. Palmer 5, D. S. Johnson (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**LITTLE ASTON, STAFFS.**—On Nov. 15th, 1,440 Surprise Minor (London and Cambridge): Cynthia M. Follis 1, D. Kay Moore 2, P. G. Golder 3, R. G. Paxton 4, J. Paxton 5, M. W. Fairey (cond.) 6. For morning service.

**LUCKING, SOMERSET.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Minor: J. Lambard 1, Marjorie Legg (cond.) 2, June Legg 3, J. Coombs 4, R. Venn 5, G. Prescott 6. First of Minor for 1, 3 and 5.

**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS.**—A page will be reserved in the issue of December 19th, for ringers' Christmas greetings to their friends. Price 4s. for 30 words and 1½d. a word after. Please post early to the Editor.

**OKFORD FITZPAINE, DORSET.**—On Nov. 14th, 1,272 Kent T.B. Minor: W. C. Shute (cond.) 1, Mrs. M. M. Godley 2, B. Ridout 3, J. Ralph 4, F. Hilliar 5, Rev. R. N. Longridge 6.

**OVERBURY, WORCS.**—On July 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. Attwood Jr. 1, R. Perks 2, R. Loxley 3, D. Trenfield 4, J. Firkins 5, J. Attwood Snr. (cond.) 6. A farewell compliment to Canon Jolly, who was retiring, also branch's quarterly quarter peal.

**OXFORD.**—At the Church of St. Thomas the Martyr, on Oct. 25th, 1,260 Doubles (21 methods): Alice M. Baldwin 1, Hilary F. Pardoe 2, R. M. Heyworth 3, J. W. Thorp 4, B. Wakefield (cond.) 5, Gillian Wilce 6.

**OXFORD.**—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalen, on Nov. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. W. Thorp 1, Hilary F. Pardoe 2, A. P. Foster 3, R. M. Heyworth 4, P. A. Brand 5, M. R. Ashmore (first as cond.) 6. For St. Hugh's Day.

**PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.**—At St. John's Church, on October 25th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: G. S. Bush 1, Wendy Daw 2, V. Chamberlain 3, W. E. Parrott 4, J. H. Bluff 5, R. H. Daw 6, B. Harris (cond.) 7, F. Boyall 8. First in method 1 and 2. Rung in connection with the play 'The Castle of Perseverance'. Also on Nov. 2nd, 1,304 Plain and Little Bob Major: Shirley Harris 1, Wendy Daw 2, G. S. Bush 3, W. Barker 4, J. Bird 5, F. Boyall 6, R. H. Daw 7, B. Harris (cond.) 8.

**PLYMOUTH, DEVON.**—At St. Andrew's on Oct. 18th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: D. F. Wheeler 1, Elsie K. Hart 2, F. E. Day 3, Margaret A. Bould 4, H. G. Hart 5, J. Perkins 6, S. F. O'Shaughnessy 7, H. F. Myers 8, A. W. Myers 9, D. R. Bould (first on 10 as cond.) 10. For Evensong.

**RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.**—On November 15th, 1,280 Pudsey Surprise Major: W. Ward 1, R. Tomlin 2, T. Jones 3, F. May 4, G. Sandwell 5, D. Belcham 6, M. Hallett 7, A. House (cond.) 8. First in method by 2, 3, 4 and 5. For Evensong.

**RAYNE, ESSEX.**—On Nov. 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Lesley Ward 1, J. A. Avis 2, S. D. Humphrey 3, B. J. Vaughan 4, P. G. Pitt 5, N. V. Avis (first as cond.) 6.

**REDHILL, SURREY.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Miss B. Sagers 1, D. Athfield (first in method) 2, A. J. Bull 3, W. Dunn 4, G. Charlton (first in method) 5, G. West 6, K. Game 7, A. Streeter (cond.) 8. Also on Nov. 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: G. Charlton 1, D. Athfield 2, Betty Sagers 3, A. J. Bull 4, D. West 5, A. Streeter 6, K. G. Game (cond.) 7, G. West 8. First in the method 2, 3, 5 and 6. For Evensong.

**RIPPLE, WORCS.**—On Oct. 31st, 1,440 Spliced Oxford and Plain Bob Minor: C. Haylings 1, J. Lawrence 2, M. Hawkes 3, D. Price 4, J. Smith 5, J. Clements (cond.) 6. To commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Worcester Regiment's victory at Gheluvelt. Also a birthday compliment to the conductor.

**SALFORD, LANCs.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: S. Taylor 1, P. Coddington (first of Major) 2, C. Calton 3, Mary Browne 4, J. Gander 5, R. Coley 6, D. Baker 7, P. H. D. Jones (cond.) 8. Also on Nov. 15th, 1,260 Minor (Cambridge and Plain Bob): S. Taylor 1, W. Birmingham Jr. 2, R. Coley 3, J. Gander 4, D. Wilcox 5, D. J. Baker (first as cond.) 6. Rung by the M.U.G.C.R. for Evensong.

**SANDIACRE, DERBYSHIRE.**—On Nov. 15th, 1,260 London Surprise Minor: A. Sheppard 1, Vivien Smart 2, Nora Carlisle 3, G. Rigby 4, I. Barlow 5, D. Carlisle (cond.) 6.

**SHEFFIELD, YORKS.**—At St. Marie's R.C. Church, on Nov. 15th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Elizabeth M. Snell 1, R. Tibbetts (first 'inside') 2, Pippa Russell 3, T. G. Still 4, D. G. Pearson 5, J. Hartley 6, C. A. Friskney 7, M. R. Meadows (cond.) 8. For Evening Mass.

**SOUTHWELL, NOTTS.**—On Nov. 4th, 1,277 Grandshire Caters: P. Raithby 1, G. E. Foster 2, E. A. Tatty 3, G. A. Dawson 4, M. E. Chilton 5, W. L. Exton 6, A. E. Chilton 7, J. W. Raithby 8, J. R. Praichett 9, M. 'Bab' Smedley (first quarter) 10. Half-muffled as a last tribute to Canon Clement Leeper, whose funeral took place this day.

**TURRAMURRA, NEW SOUTH WALES.**—On Oct. 16th, 1,260 Doubles (240 Grandshire, 1,020 Plain Bob): W. Knight 1, Miss S. Wright 2, K. Stacey 3, J. Rainford (cond.) 4, T. Goodyer 5.

**WANDSWORTH, LONDON.**—At All Saints' Church, on November 6th, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: A. R. Millidge 1, Anne Horsford 2, Jean M. Egerton 3, N. F. Edwards 4, R. J. Cooles 5, P. Lawrence 6, P. J. Bushell 7, M. J. Uphill (cond.) 8. A compliment to Roger Twyman, ringer at this church, on the eve of his 21st birthday.

**WAREHAM, DORSET.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: R. G. W. Robertson 1, Mary E. Elmes 2, P. R. Keough (first of Minor) 3, Judith A. Robertson 4, C. T. Brown 5, G. W. Elmes (cond.) 6. For Evensong. Also on Nov. 15th, 1,260 Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob Doubles: J. W. Blackwood (cond.) 1, Ruth A. Elmes (first in method 'inside') 2, Judith A. Robertson 3, R. G. W. Robertson 4, G. W. Elmes 5, R. W. Young 6. A 21st birthday compliment to Graham W. Elmes.

**WARSOP, NOTTS.**—On Nov. 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Moran (first quarter attempt) 1, Miss I. Cooke 2, G. Challans 3, H. T. Rooke (cond.) 4, D. H. Rooke 5, F. Cooke 6. For Evensong.

**WATERLOO, LONDON.**—At St. John's, on Oct. 4th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. G. G. Meyer 1, R. E. Clarke 2, L. C. Way 3, A. J. Hampton 4, Miss M. E. Powell 5, C. M. Meyer 6, W. D. Granger (cond.) 7, F. A. Benn 8. For Harvest Festival.

**WILMSLOW, CHESHIRE.**—On Nov. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Whalley 1, D. Smith 2, P. Oliver (first quarter) 3, S. Sage 4, A. Sharples 5, N. D. Lomas (cond.) 6.

**WINEFORD, SOMERSET.**—On Nov. 12th, 1,272 Norwich Surprise Minor: G. H. Pullin 1, Monica Home-man 2, M. Heymann 3, E. T. Lee 4, G. H. Marchant 5, I. Brain (cond.) 6. First in the method 1, 3, 4 and 5.

**WIVELSFIELD, SUSSEX.**—On Oct. 4th, 1,260 Grandshire Doubles: W. Everest 1, J. Plummer 2, E. Everest (cond.) 3, D. Smith 4, T. St. John 5, A. Millam 6. A compliment to the ringer of the fifth on taking up his studies at the Royal Veterinary College.

**WOODBURY, DEVON.**—On Nov. 15th, 1,260 Grandshire Triples: H. J. Briggs 1, C. Deem 2, D. Willis 3, G. West 4, G. Ellett 5, K. Dawe 6, J. Glanville (cond.) 7, J. Gooding 8. For Matins.



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### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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### PERSONAL

The blessing of the Lord is in the reward of the godly, and suddenly he maketh his blessing to flourish.—Ecclesiasticus xi, 22.

### DEDICATION

**BOWDON, CHESHIRE.**—On Saturday, December 12th. Dedication of a ring of eight bells Tenor 18-0-8 in E. Service at 3.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, December 8th to Alan J. Brown, 30, Priory Road, Bowdon, Altrincham. ALT 5158. 5736

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**BELLRINGERS' DIARIES** will not be ready until early December. Will patrons please refrain from ordering until the advertisement appears in 'The Ringing World' giving prices, etc. Extra copies are being printed so there should be plenty for everyone.—W. H. Vigers, 5830

**CHALFONT ST. PETER, BUCKS.**—We regret to report that ringing has been suspended indefinitely, owing to a surveyor's report which states that the tower is unsafe structurally. 5813

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**TRURO CATHEDRAL.**—The bells will be rededicated at Evensong on Sunday, November 29th, by the Lord Bishop of Truro. Tuesday practices will resume as from December 1st, and Sunday ringing at 9.15 a.m. and 5.30 p.m., as from December 6th. 5824

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### MEETINGS

**CHESTER GUILD—Stockport Branch.**—Meeting at Stalybridge Holy Trinity, November 28th. Bells 3. Service 4.30, tea 5.15. For tea please advise Mr. J. S. Jackson, 72, Lord Street, Stalybridge.—C. K. Lewis. 5801

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD—Hereford District.**—Quarterly meeting at Burghill on Saturday, November 28th. Bells (8) 3 p.m., service 4.15 p.m., tea and meeting to follow. Names for tea to me please.—R. G. Powell, 9, Green Lane, Kingstone, Hereford. 5716

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Fylde Branch.—Meeting on Saturday, November 28th, at Holy Trinity Parish Church (6), Dean Street, South Shore, Blackpool, at 3 p.m. 5810

**MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.**—Meeting at Stretton-cum-Wetmore, Saturday, November 28th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. All welcome.—J. Cotton. 5815

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD—West Dorset Branch.**—Annual meeting, Bridport, Saturday, November 28th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to J. Davis, Mount, Melplash, Bridport. 5775

**SOUTHEND & DISTRICT GUILD.**—Meeting, Saturday, November 28th, at Southminster and Burnham-on-Crouch. Bells, Southminster 3-4.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea approx. 5 o'clock. Bells, Burnham-on-Crouch 6.30-8.30 p.m. Names for tea early, please, to Mr. G. Sandwell, 30, Queensborough Road, Southminster. 5792

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—S.W. District.—Annual District meeting at Long Melford, Saturday, November 28th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names for tea please, to Miss E. Cansdale, 8, Brook Street, Bures, Suffolk. 5677

**SUFFOLK GUILD—Central District.**—Practice meeting at Redgrave (6), Nov. 28th, 6.30 p.m. Methods, College Exercise. Ipswich Surprise. Special invitation to unpaid members to attend. 5749

**SUFFOLK GUILD—S.E. District.**—Meeting at Ashbocking, Saturday, November 28th. Bells 2.30 p.m.; service 4.30 p.m.; tea 5.30 p.m. Winesham Village Hall. Names for tea please to Mr. A. Beckwith, 8 Lansdowne Road, Ipswich.—E. G. Pearce, Dis. Sec. 5793

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Leatherhead District.—Combined practice at Leatherhead on Friday, December 4th, at 7.30 p.m. 5812

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Deanery Branch.—The annual general meeting will be held at Stanton Drew (5) on Saturday, December 5th. Bells available 3 p.m. Divine service 4.15. Tea 4.45, followed by business. Chew Magna (8) available 6.30 to 8 p.m.—D. G. Yeo, Hon. Branch Sec. 5724

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ilchester Branch.—Annual meeting, Martock (8), Saturday, December 5th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Names for tea, please to R. J. Fox, 109 Middle Street, Yeovil. 5827

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bedford District.—Monthly practice meeting, Saturday, December 5th. St. Peter's, Bedford. Bells (8) 3 to 4.30 p.m. Tea (own arrangements) 4.30 to 5.30. Service 5.30 p.m. Please make an effort to attend the service.—F. W. Rivett, Dis. Sec. 5829

**CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Meeting at Ormesby, Saturday, December 5th. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to P. Wishart, 8, Fairfield Avenue, Ormesby, Middlesbrough. 5832

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**DEVON GUILD.**—Aylesbeare Branch.—Annual general meeting, Clyst Honiton, Saturday, December 5th. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. G. Retter, Waldrons, Clyst Honiton, Exeter. 5776

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Ely District.—Meeting at Willingham (6), Saturday, December 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Ringing after tea. Special methods—Hull Surprise and Little Bob Minor. 5784

**GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bristol City Branch.—Annual meeting, St. Stephen's (city), Saturday, December 5th. Bells (10) 3 p.m. and after meeting. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in St. Stephen's Common Room 5 p.m. 5816

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Stow-on-the-Wold Branch.—Annual meeting at Stow-on-the-Wold, Saturday, December 5th. Bells (8) from 3-4.30 and from 6-7 n.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 (own arrangements). Meeting 5.30. The bells at Moreton-in-Marsh (8) will be available from 7-8 n.m. (or later if required)—L. C. Dowdeswell, Sec., Park Street, Stow-on-the-Wold. 5825

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guildford District.—Nomination meeting at Womersley and Bramley, December 5th. Womersley bells 3 p.m., service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. W. Enticknap, Ockleigh, Guildford Road, Womersley. 5798

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Lancaster Branch.—Meeting at Morecambe on Saturday, December 5th. Bells (8) from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. D. Bradshaw, 11a, Dounes Grove, Morecambe, Lancs.—P. Handley, Branch Sec. 5833

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Wigan Branch.—The annual meeting of the Branch will be held at St. Wilfrid's, Standish, on Saturday, December 5th, at 2.30 p.m. Will all 'towers' please attend. Names for tea to Mr. T. Grounds, 10, Cross Street, Standish, Wigan.—D. R. Jones, Hon. Sec. 5826

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Leicester District.—Meeting, December 5th, Countesthorpe. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in schoolrooms 5 p.m. Names for tea not later than December 2nd to Mrs. B. S. Channan, 4, Green Lane, Countesthorpe. Subscriptions now due.—A. I. Poyner, Dis. Sec.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Eastern Branch.—Meeting at Sutterton, Saturday, Dec. 5th. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea for those who notify me by Monday November 30th.—P. J. Kilner, Hon. Sec. 167 Eastwood Road, Boston, Lincs.

**NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION.**—Annual General Meeting at Stoke (8) on Saturday, December 5th. Bells 3 p.m. service 5 p.m., tea 5.30 p.m. Meeting after tea. Names for tea by Wednesday December 2nd to J. G. Burton, 71, Raenall Road, Milton, Stoke-on-Trent.—G. C. Beech, Hon. Sec. 5772



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**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS AND MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION & LONDON DIO. GUILD**—Joint meeting will be held at Hendon on Saturday, December 5th. Service 4.45 p.m. with tea to follow. To ensure tea send names to Miss R. Foreman, 19, Finchley Court, Ballards Lane, N.3, or tel. FIN 3994. Ringing arrangements: Pinner 2-3.15, Finchley 3-4.15, Hendon 3.15-4.45, Southgate 6.30-8. Will car drivers please offer lifts.—F. J. Matthews and T. J. Lock, Hon. Secs. 5803

**SURREY ASSOCIATION**—Southern District.—Nomination meeting at Blechingley, December 5th. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m. Meeting. Evensong, bells after till 9 p.m. Names for tea by 25th to Mr. T. Bird, Brudden, Godstone Road, Blechingley.—G. A. W. 5770

**SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD**—Southern District.—Annual meeting. St. Paul's, Sketty, Swansea, Saturday, December 5th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business to follow. Names for tea by November 28th to Mrs. Whitworth, 3, Lon Derw, Tycoch, Swansea.—J. A. Hoare, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5757

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD**—The Annual Dinner of the Winchester District will be held at the Westgate Lodge Hotel on Saturday, December 5th. Names please by November 29th.—R. H. Collis, Sec., 3, Hockley Cotts, Cheriton, 5799

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD**—Christchurch District.—Quarterly meeting, December 5th at Hordle. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in Church Hall 5.15 p.m. Milford bells in the evening. Names for tea to Mrs. Lewis, Cottesmore, Everton Road Hordle. 5828

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS**—Western Branch.—Annual meeting will be held at Wychbold on Saturday, December 5th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. at Bowling Green Inn followed by meeting. Hanbury (8) available from 6.30-8.30 p.m. Names for tea by Tuesday, December 1st, to A. A. Jopp, Church Road, Stoulton, Worcester. No names, no tea. 5763

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS**—Business meeting at the Rising Sun, Carter Lane, E.C., on Tuesday, December 8th, at 8.15 p.m. Forthcoming practices, all commencing 6.30 p.m.—24th November: St. Giles', Cripplegate, 1st and 15th December: St. Michael's Cornhill. 8th December: St. Paul's Cathedral. 22nd December: St. Lawrence's, Jewry.—John Chilcott. 5779

**DEVONSHIRE GUILD**—Exeter Branch.—Annual meeting will be held at St. David's, Exeter, on Saturday, December 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Meeting following.—G. Skinner. 5670

**EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD**—Meeting Saturday December 12th, at Hartfield (6) 3-5 p.m. Tea 5. service 6.30 p.m. Evening ringing at Hartfield and Withyham (8) 7.15-9 p.m. Names for tea to Miss M. A. Ladd, 4, William Street, Tunbridge Wells, Kent. 5835

**GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**—Cheltenham Branch.—Annual general meeting at Saturday, December 12th, at Cheltenham (12) Ringing at 3.15 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at Church House (3s. 6d.) 5.15 p.m., to be followed by meeting and further ringing. Names to Cyril Wratten, 19, Ravensgate Road, Charlton Kings, for tea by Tuesday, December 8th. Bring your subscriptions.—I. R. T. Homfray Hon Branch Sec. 5831

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Western District.—Quarterly meeting, please note change of date, Saturday, December 12th. Bells available are Bramley (3-5 p.m.) and Armley (6.30-7.45 p.m.). Names for tea by December 2nd to Mr. D. Cox, 39, Bell Lane, Bramley, Leeds 13. Practice methods: Double Norwich C.B.M. and Ashted S.M.—R. J. Lumley, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5831

## LATE NEWS

### Long length lost through broken rope

An attempt to ring 10,080 changes of Double Norwich Court Bob Major, at Fairwarp, Sussex, on November 7th, by ringers from Sussex, Kent and Surrey, ended after 5 hrs. 20 mins. good ringing, through a broken rope. It is hoped to make another attempt next year. E.J.L.

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## MASHONALAND DIOCESAN GUILD

The half-yearly meeting of the Mashonaland Diocesan Guild of Bell Ringers was held in Salisbury, Rhodesia, on November 8th, from 10.30 a.m. until 8 p.m. To open the meeting ringers attended Matins in the Cathedral and lent strength to the singing. Rounds and call changes were rung afterwards until it was time to move over to the Ambassador Hotel, which provided an excellent 5-course lunch for only 12s. 6d. per head. Fines collected over the last few months from ringers who have failed to stand their bells easily covered the tips!

Unfortunately the bells had to be silent from 2.30 because of a Shona Evensong. This cut short the beginners' practice, so handbells were rung instead, including 2 courses of Grandsire Caters, until the business meeting at 3 p.m. 17 members were present at the meeting, but unluckily illness prevented anyone coming from Que Que, the other tower in Province. At the meeting plans for the future were discussed, including the formation of a Provincial instead of a Diocesan Guild, and the perennial question of finding new recruits.

Frank and Monica Blagrove were officially welcomed, and at a tower meeting, held immediately after the Guild one, Frank was welcomed again by being elected tower captain. This is in place of Colin Stevenson who will be away for 4 months over the Christmas long vac. and felt that he could not usefully continue.

After some welcome tea, change ringing was resumed: the difference made by the arrival of two experienced ringers including one experienced conductor is shown by the number of the ringing firsts on the bells during the day. These included call changes on 10 and the first touch of Bob Major, neither of which is easy to hear because the hum in the tower makes it difficult to hear the lighter bells from some parts of the belfry. A course of Double Court was rung and some Bob Triples and finally, after a short break and one false start, a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples was rung for Evensong: it was the first quarter on eight bells in the tower, and the first quarter on 8 for three of the local ringers. This rounded off a hard but satisfying day's work.

## LATE NOTICES

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Rochester District.—By-meeting at Frindsbury on Dec. 5th. Bells 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m. Tea for those who notify Mr. G. Philpott, 209, Cliffe Road, Strand, Rochester by Tuesday, Dec. 1st.—I. Mitchell Hon Dis. Sec. 5840

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD**—Southern Branch.—Evening meeting, Colsterworth, Saturday December 5th. Bells 7 p.m.—F. G. Vickers, Hon. Sec. 5836

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**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**—Nottingham District.—Meeting Saturday, December 5th. Aspley. Bells (6) 3.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss E. Smith, 18, Greendale Gardens, Aspley, Nottingham. 5834



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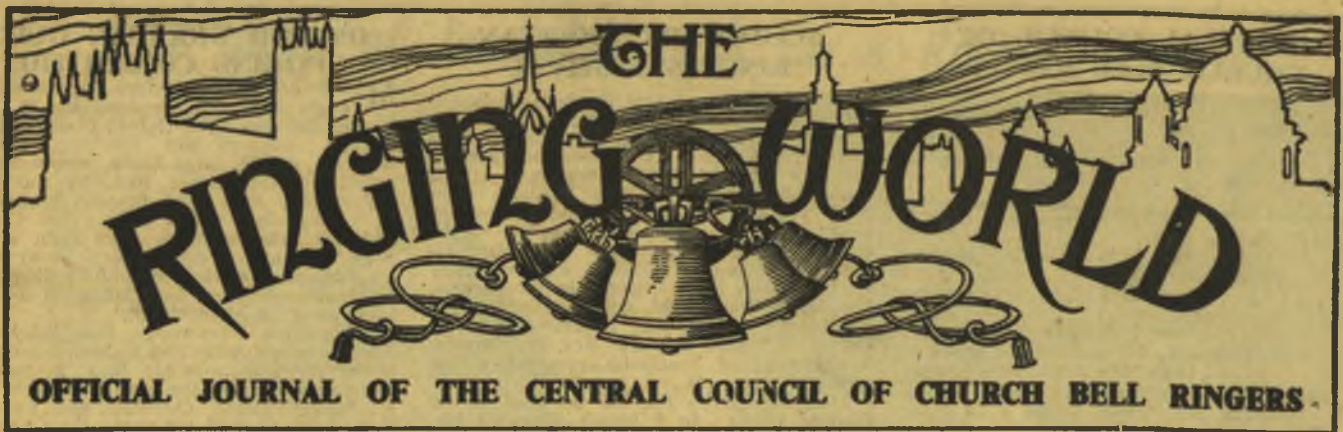
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## SHOWING THE ROPES TO "MUM"

By EVELYN MASON

MY newest child was in the pram, the world's most beautiful babe (so claims every mother). She lay shadow boxing with her dear little dimpled arms and hands. A million miles from mind was any thought that one day those limbs might be my tutor! And a billion miles off was the idea that they would want to initiate me into a craft as strange as the one represented by the little noticed background sound of church bells regularly wafted bur way on Sundays.

That was nigh twenty years ago. Now, the infant who 'boxed' to bells is 18 and a manipulator of the very instruments she heard from the pram. I replied to her sudden fireside suggestion that I, her not-so-young 'mum,' should try to ring, and we set out to where our parish church rose like a black iceberg from the pitch black sea of night. My apprehension equalled that prefacing a visit to the dentist and was deepened by the ominous and eerie quiet of our situation.

The belfry switch produced an instant oasis of light as welcome as a beacon in the nocturnal gloom. The bell ropes were draped away to the walls like strip curtaining—with one exception. A solitary length (depending from the 'seventh,' I was told) awaited me. All at once my uneasiness touched off a nightmare. The ringing room was an execution chamber, deadly silent and grim! A noose dangled ready for my throat, and my own child in befitting black (her workaday clothes) stood behind it all set to be my hangman. Every ghost and demon that ever was laughed hollowly around me. 'Look at her, trying to ring! The silly "old" woman! Watch her go up with the rope! She'll strangle herself!'

The mood of the incubus changed. I was back in childhood, tugging hard and slanting-wise on the multi-coloured 'sally' of a swing-boat rope at the annual fun fair in my home town.

The 'gas' of imagining began to wear off. I came 'round' to hear my baby-turned-coach rap. 'Mum, this is serious! If you don't act properly you may get this rope about your neck, and perhaps not accidentally, either!'

Instructed. I grasped the end of the cordage with both hands (right atop of left), leaving a protruding tail-piece of a few inches which, I understood, was all that separated me from the loss of this 'halter' thing! There followed a grip of the sally (a lovely blue), and a long, strong, straight draw ending in an undignified bending of the knees (I thought).

But my first thrill came with the lift of the backstroke (I was starting to cotton-on to terms!). Oh! that exhilarating and exercising pull on the torso! Here was something more flattening than a power-net foundation! I was sampling a new slimmer—the corsetry of campanology for melting the middle-aged midriff! I felt tall and shapely as never quite before. Something in me responded with peculiar delight and satisfaction to the persuasive unseen bell above. 'Come on! Up! Up!' it seemed to lure. My arms reached to it with gladness and willingness. It was like a wooing. And I wanted to go with it!

I could see it was a potent courtship advisable in limited doses at first. The ardour and effort of giving myself to a bell for the first time left me hot, trembly, a little limp, excited, but also bewildered. Then (mind you), in this state of spent energy, my daughter-mentor rebuked her mater-pupil for too strenuously paving court to the new bell love!

By now, the floor was sprinkled with black, crawling, lilliputian bodies. My opening rounds of bell-fire had shot down the hibernating occupants of the upper regions—the last, drowsy flies of summer. Our Gulliver-feet squashed them out of their pathetically slow struggle to escape.

Rather oddly, I found myself withdrawing from the belfry backwards, with a shaky feeling of reverence-cum-peaceful elation, as if I was retiring from some holy-of holies where I had met and given obeisance to a gentle yet powerful deity of metal, hid from view, but very present.

I brinked on falling in love with a new being before whom I must only stand in worship, whom I must address with hands, arms and mind, and who answers this necessarily silent honour with a voice of tintinnabulation which for ages has drawn, fascinated, soothed, cheered, and held many disciples from many places and many callings. And the latter-day 'missionary' of a once baby-in-a-pram could win another convert, even her mother.

## ONE RINGER'S SUNDAY

THERE was beginning to be a certain awareness. Something had been going on for a long time. Something awful. I tried very hard to sort it out. Was I a tortured soul in hell? Had it been an ignorant dream that at worst hell was the everlasting grave?

Oh! the agony of it. I thought I could see something. No, whatever it was it came right up to me and through. I could hear something! Someone was saying, 'You must only stay a few minutes.' Ah, now I knew. I was coming round after an operation. A major operation following torturous weeks of complications and mental exhaustion.

My mother had died, swiftly followed by the death of my brother without even a farewell. Our 'strapping' twelve-year-old son had fallen victim to a rare and swift acting germ which called for drastic surgery and then a long, long wait to see if the miracle of everybody's prayers had saved him from being crippled.

And then my slim, little, well cared for body, which had climbed any belfry stairs and pulled any bell I happened to fancy, had become desperately afflicted with all sorts of trouble and that when the final blow came I had travelled so far along the road that I was prepared to leave it, putting my family into God's keeping, knowing I would never have to suffer pain again.

'Please, God, take that terrible weight off my hand.' And then I saw the face of my dear husband and his hand on mine. The next instant it had gone. The agony was getting worse and I began wondering if anything really had been done for me. What looked like an angel was leaning over me and then I felt a merciful jab and the pain was bearable.

I tried to sort out what seemed to be a heavenly view from my window. Hill after hill climbing to the sky and fine elegant spires pointing to the heavens. Or was I having hallucinations? And then I heard them. The bells. A gorgeous, melodious rumbling in the hills, and there was no mistaking that. It was an ordinary Sunday morning and the bells were ringing somewhere. It was all over and I was going to get better.

There was a tap on the door and a sister of mercy came in with the most exquisite bouquet of flowers I have ever seen, tied with a massive bow of pink ribbon. I whispered, 'It is not my birthday.' 'No,' she said, 'but you have a daughter who is 24 years old today and it will be her way of saying "Thank you, mother."'

During the next few weeks I had plenty of time in my solitude to think, and I wondered if this experience had been for just that. I was a static Christian, not a progressive one. So many of us can easily find a good excuse for walking out of the church service after ringing: for not holding out a helping hand to those in need, when the truth is in both cases we prefer to do something else. Many of us answer the cries of the hungry of this world with crumbs and then spend 'real' money on unnecessary

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## THE LADIES' GUILD

The Kent Branch practice meeting, held at Tunstall on November 14th, was attended by 13 ladies, who were ably supported by some of the Rochester District male ringers, making approximately 30 in all. A short service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. P. V. M. Allen) and after tea Mrs. Mitchell held a brief meeting during which she told members of her visit to Macclesfield for the Guild A.G.M. and explained the change in the subscription rates whereby £2 2s. will now entitle a member to life membership. An appeal was also made for new members.

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Barnett, Mrs. Dobbie and Miss Colegate. The ringing during the afternoon and evening ranged from rounds to Stedman Triples and Cambridge Surprise Minor.

P. M. B.

## ONE RINGER'S SUNDAY—Continued.

things which give us pleasure, but alas, no spiritual happiness. How many of us, subconsciously perhaps, keep our lives cosily separated from the world of sick, suffering and lonely. We enjoy and admire the good souls among us, but we do not take a lesson from them or exude any goodness ourselves.

I thought of the example of those men who have devoted their lives to ease the suffering of women: of their fellow companions on call day and night to make sure of the safe delivery of 'difficult children,' some of them knowing they will never have a son or child of their own, yet harbouring no bitterness.

Sisters of mercy, who after acquiring high qualifications dedicate their lives to the sick regardless of their belief or disbelief, and who spend half their lifetime in the cold dimness of the night in a lonely vigil over the sick and helpless. And when they have a minute to spare, day or night, they slip into the Holy Room and pray for their patients.

Yes, when I see these examples around me I realise that my efforts to be a real Christian have been practically non-existent. I wonder if I have been given a second chance.

E. D. K.

## SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN RINGERS' FESTIVAL

**D**URING the past year the bells of Southwark Cathedral have been rung Sunday by Sunday by different bands from the churches within the Diocese. On November 22nd a Diocesan Ringers' Festival was held at the Cathedral. The bells were available from 3 to 5 p.m., and the continually crowded belfry must have given great pleasure to the organisers. At 5 p.m. about 100 ringers attended Evensong. The music was beautifully led by a choir from a church in the Diocese. The lessons were read and the intercessions conducted by diocesan ringers—Messrs. J. Euston, A. Winn and the Rev. A. Clayton. The Provost of Southwark preached a fine sermon.

After the service tea was provided in the Chapter House. In a speech after tea Mr. J. Euston told how this festival had brought to fruition the hopes of many years. Not only his own hopes, but also the hopes of some now dead. He reminded all of the importance of their art. 'Our bells reach many people who can never be reached by a sermon in church,' he said.

The whole occasion was most memorable and enjoyable. It must surely have prompted many minds to think that there should be a Southwark Diocesan Guild of Ringers. Perhaps then we might get a solution to the conflicting territorial claims in the Diocese of Southwark.

The grateful thanks of all go to Mr. Aubrey Winn, Master of Southwark Cathedral, to the Succentor and the Provost for arranging such an enjoyable occasion. We look forward to next year's festival, which is to include the rededication of the Cathedral bells after re-hanging.

A. C.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

### Chertsey District

The nomination meeting of the Chertsey District at Chobham on November 21st was very well supported, more than 70 ringers turning up. Of these 36 notified for tea, but 62 came along! All were fed. Ringing, under the direction of Mr. F. E. Hawthorne, ranged from rounds, through Spliced Triples to Cambridge. The Rev. O. R. Acworth conducted the service, and Mr. Hugh Privett was at the organ.

Mr. A. D. Leach and Mr. R. Caporn indicated that they would not be seeking reelection. Nominations were: District Master, Mr. F. E. Hawthorne; assistant, Mr. C. D. J. Webb; District secretary, Mr. R. Collins; auditor, Mr. D. G. Blows. Mr. Collins reminded the meeting that nominations may still be sent in by post.

Mr. J. F. M. Maybrey asked if the Guild Master would reconsider his decision not to stand next year in view of the fact that the Cathedral bells were to be installed. Mr. May said he could now be prepared to stand, as a number of people had asked him to do so. This was very well received by the meeting.

The Vicar, in welcoming the Guild, said he hoped before they came again Chobham would have a more musical ring to offer. There was some dismay at the prospect of the Cathedral library being housed in the ringing chamber.

R. C.

**MARLBOROUGH, WILTS.**—On Nov. 15th, at St. Mary's Church, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. W. Johnson 1, G. L. E. Brown (first of Plain Bob Minor 'inside') 2, Mrs. M. C. Brown (first of Plain Bob Minor) 3, J. A. W. Fuller 4, D. E. Lee 5, Rev. R. Keeley (cond.) 6. Rung by Sunday service ringers as a farewell to the ringers of 2 and 3, on their departure to Reading.

## OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD STRIKING COMPETITION

**M**EMBERS of the Oxford Diocesan Guild might have misunderstood me if I had headed this note 'The Oxford Guild learns to strike.' But all this summer the many Branches of this large Guild, embracing the counties of Oxfordshire, Berkshire and Buckinghamshire, have held Branch competitions on various rings of six bells. On October 24th the winning bands from eight of the Branches held semi-finals and finals to decide the destination of three beautifully illuminated certificates, designed and delineated by Mr. E. Gosling, of Maidenhead.

Bands from Warborough, East Ilsley, East Hagbourne and Adderbury competed at Cowley in the afternoon, with Mr. R. F. B. Speed as the adjudicator. At the same time teams from Hughenden, Hurst, Quainton and Eynsham were at Sunningwell, where the judge was Mr. W. G. Wilson.

With the results of the semi-finals still unknown all the teams, and other members, went on to Radley for an excellent tea, organised by Miss Cross and her helpers. To ensure a full attendance, it was not until after tea that the judges were allowed to announce, with their comments, the names of the two teams from each semi-final to take part in the final, held in Radley tower after tea. The four chosen were East Hagbourne, East Ilsley, Eynsham and Hughenden, who proceeded to demonstrate in no uncertain manner why they had got through so far. Messrs. Speed and Wilson combined to judge the final and were agreed on the excellence of all four teams.

After comments and congratulations on the ringing by Mr. Wilson for the judges, the result was declared as follows: 1 Hughenden, who rang Plain Bob Minor and had 17 faults; 2 East Ilsley, Grandsire Doubles, 21 faults; 3 Eynsham, Grandsire Doubles, 43 faults; and 4 East Hagbourne, Grandsire Doubles, 48 faults. Certificates were presented by the Guild Master, the Rev. C. E. Wigg, to the first three. Mr. F. Sharpe, Deputy Master, thanked all concerned in making the event such a success. Rumour has it that next year will be the turn of the eight bell bands: they will have to be very good indeed to surpass the standard set by the four finalists at Radley.

W. G. W.

## RINGERS' SUNDAY AT HIGHCLERE

**F**OR the third year in succession, Ringers' Sunday was observed by the Highclere team of ringers on November 22nd. Ringing preceded the 8.30 Communion service, and there was also a full team present for 11 a.m. Matins.

The ringing of a peal in the afternoon is also in the annual programme. A good peal of Grandsire Triples was scored in 2 hours 50 minutes, the band including visitors from Thatcham, Bucklebury and Overton and the local company.

Several visiting ringers attended the special ringers' service in the evening. These included Canon F. A. Sanders and his wife, who joined in the ringing for service. Later Canon Sanders preached a much appreciated sermon. Handbells were introduced by six ringing choir members, who accompanied on handbells the singing of the hymn, 'Abide with me.' Two ringers—Mr. G. Dodd and Mrs. Green—read the lessons and ringers acted as sidesman for the collection.

In the ringing that followed the service, a demonstration touch of Grandsire Doubles was rung for the benefit of members of the congregation. Proceedings concluded with light refreshments at the Rectory: once again it was a Bellringers' Sunday to be remembered.

G. D.

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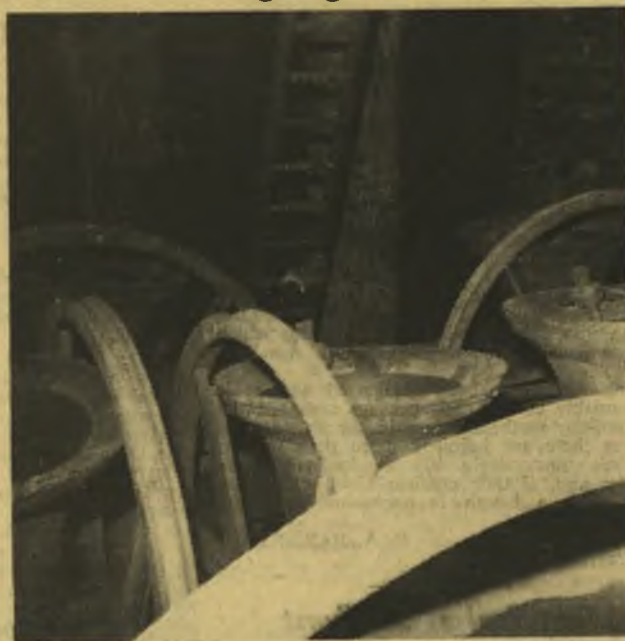
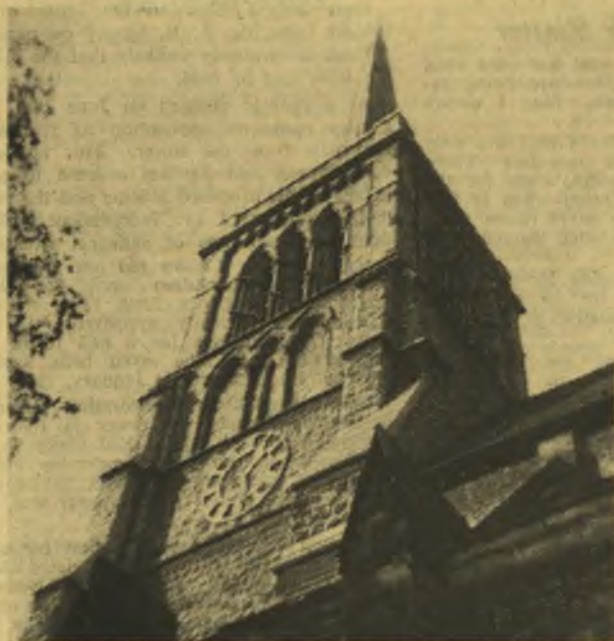
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## St. John of Jerusalem will be a Ringing Tower



PICTURED above is the Church of St. John-of-Jerusalem, South Hackney, and its bells. It has been without a band of ringers since pre-war days—the last war left the spire unsafe, but even when a new copper spire replaced the old stone one and the bells were rehung ringers were not forthcoming.

At the beginning of September Mr. J. E. Eyre started instructing some young people and, within a month a band was well under

way and the tower, once well known for peal ringing, was again sounding out each Sunday for services and on Tuesday evenings for practice.

Saturday, November 21st, was the 116th anniversary of the opening peal rung on the bells in 1848. To mark the occasion the young ringers made a tour of six local towers.

Starting at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, where one of the ringers met us and gave

advice to the young members, ringing followed at St. John-at-Hackney, St. Matthew's, Bethnal Green, St. Mary's, Bow, Christ Church, Isle of Dogs, and All Saints', Poplar.

Ringers went well at each tower and the only difficulty experienced was finding enough boxes for the smaller ringers to stand on!

New recruits are still coming at a steady pace and Mr. Eyre, the Ringing Master, hopes it will not be too long before some new names are to be seen in the peal columns.

## A Glorious Christmas Gift



Here, without doubt, is the perfect present for every true bell enthusiast. E. C. Shepherd, a well-known contributor to these pages, has at last written a book ranging over the whole field of bell-ringing. Quite apart from his expert knowledge this is no ordinary book. It is, in fact, a book which has added a further dimension to reading — the dimension of sound. Each book contains a high fidelity recording of peals from both famous cathedrals and humbler towers, including the famous first peal of Stedman

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# Letters to the Editor

## Is 108 Stedman Triples Impossible?

Dear Sir,—It was a great pleasure to meet Mr. George E. Symonds again at the College Youths' dinner, and to read your column about him in 'The Ringing World' of November 20th.

In 1917, 'The Ringing World' published a series of touches of Stedman Triples provided by Mr. Symonds, for all numbers of changes from 100 to 206 inclusive except for 108, against which was printed 'Stumbling block.' On September 28th, 1917, a letter appeared from Mr. H. W. Fright, once of Ashford, Kent, in which he said that for reasons which he gave a touch of this length was impossible.

This has never been challenged and so is presumably correct, but perhaps some of the present-day mathematicians in the Exercise, of whom there are infinitely more than in Mr. Fright's time, might like to look into the matter and, if they confirm his findings, say why such a length is unobtainable.—Yours sincerely,

E. A. BARNETT.

Crayford, Kent.

## First Peal at Sandhurst

Dear Sir.—With reference to the item in 'Belfry Gossip' in your issue of November 20th about the recent peal at Sandhurst, Kent, by the Hawkhurst Guild, I wish to state that it was not the first on the rededicated bells. I conducted a peal for the Sussex Association there on August 10th, 1963, the method being Plain Bob Minor.—Yours faithfully,

ALAN R. BALDOCK.

Eastbourne.

## Maintenance Tips

Dear Sir.—With regard to Norman Chadcock's article about belfry maintenance, I hope it will be of interest to readers to know what I have done at Bolsover.

In most belfries it is necessary for some of the ropes to pass through chutes, at an angle, in order to form a good circle in the ringing chamber. I came to the conclusion that these chutes serve no useful purpose as the rope still passes over sharp corners, and if the sally enters the chute this can cause difficulty. I removed the chutes and fitted a roller where the rope passes through the ceiling and where it enters the small pulley box. This has saved a lot of wear on the ropes and made them easier to handle.

I have recently read of two cases where clappers have fallen out of bells. I suspect one of the reasons for the lack of maintenance on clappers is because they are difficult to put back after removal for inspection. I have recently experimented with an idea to make this easier and it has proved most successful.

I removed the split pin above the nut which is screwed on that part of the clapper which protrudes through the headstock. I then sawed down from the end of the thread, in two places, at right angles to the split pin hole. Saw just past the hole then saw the other way to remove these two pieces. This leaves a piece of solid metal in the centre with a hole in it. Do not remove too much metal or the split pin will not serve its purpose afterwards.

When removing the clapper a piece of strong thin wire is passed through the hole, the nut is removed and passed on to the wire and the clapper is lowered from above. When replacing the clapper the nut is put on the wire, the end of which is passed through the headstock and bell. It is then fixed to the clapper which is pulled back into position from above.

All the person in the uncomfortable position under the bell has to do is guide the screwed end into the headstock.—Yours sincerely,

DENNIS COOPER.

Chesterfield.

## Peals at York Minster

Dear Sir.—Now that a peal has been rung at York Minster applications are being received for further attempts. May I clarify the position?

In the past permission for a peal was only granted for very important occasions. There was an attempt on the middle eight for the coronation of H.M. the Queen when in fact a half peal was rung. In more recent years the late Dean actually curtailed normal ringing a little.

The Chapter gave permission for the recent peal as a fitting welcome for the new Dean, who has been most appreciative of the work of this Society.

The Dean and Chapter are willing to allow very occasional peals in the future when events of sufficient importance justify an attempt.

Any application, whether made direct to the Dean or through this Society, should state the reason for the peal and the name of the conductor if other than the writer.—Yours sincerely,

M. E. WILKINSON (Miss),  
Hon. Secretary,  
York Minster Society.

## Central Council's Collection of Minor

Dear Sir.—I would like to bring to the attention of Minor ringers an error which appears in extents 307-311 inclusive by C. K. Lewis on page 122 of the C.C.C. of Minor Methods. The method preceding the single at that lead head 23645 is a 6ths place method and appears to be wrong. If a 6ths place method is rung then the lead head would be 32654 and of course the part end would not be 34256 as printed.

I was also wondering if any other errors in the collection have been brought to light and if they have ever been published in 'The Ringing World'.—Yours sincerely,

GERALD PENNEY.

St. Albans, Herts.

## College Youths' Elections

Dear Sir.—Your excellent account of the Ancient Society of College Youths' dinner could not, of course, include everything that was said. Since my speech contained some remarks about the revised rules covering election of new members to the Society, perhaps you will allow me to make it clear, as I did at the dinner, that in deciding the suitability of candidates we shall rely more than ever on the written recommendations sent by our reliable and respected members in the provinces. The change is that, between nomination and election, four weeks will elapse, for consideration. Neither from London nor from elsewhere will applications go through, as it were, 'on the nod'.—Yours faithfully,

R. B. MEADOWS.

16, Craven Hill, London, W.

## The Peal at Geddington

Dear Sir.—With reference to the peal at Geddington (pages 776 and 752), surely any experienced change ringer should know that the difference in time taken to ring a peal on a very long draught could be anything up to 30 minutes according to the methods rung. (Place making or dodging.)

We always choose the method to fit the bells, and someone always says it was a very fair tap.

We have never been chased out of town, and we have never been afraid to drop in the local after the success or failure. Finally, we have never been afraid to ask for the use of the bells at a later date.—Yours sincerely,

M. W. HARRISON.

Holme Pierrepont, Notts.

## Worcester Cathedral Bells

Dear Sir,—Further to the letter on the subject from Mr. R. R. Savory on page 776, I think it extremely unlikely that the 6th and 9th were cast in 1864.

At a chapter meeting on June 29th, 1864, Cattley made an application to remove the old bells from the tower. This application was refused and he was ordered to supply details of his proposed scheme and the reports and certificates of two independent architects that the tower was of sufficient strength to carry the bells. Cattley did not produce the necessary documentation until the chapter meeting of November 23rd, 1864, when the scheme was formally approved. He had, however, to arrange for a bell to be rung for services. All the seven bells were removed from the tower in January, 1865.

Early in 1864 the Restoration Committee decided to include the tower in their programme and work was started about October or November, 1864, and extensive building operations continued until 1868, during which time the top 30 feet of the tower was taken down and rebuilt.

Denison's amended specification for a ring of 10, tenor 38 cwt. in D, is dated August 18th, 1865, but it was not until November 20th, 1867, that Cattley applied to the chapter to modify the scheme to 12 bells. The specification (by Denison) for the 12, 50 cwt. in D flat, is signed by Cattley and John Taylor and is dated January 8th, 1869.

This was the ring that was subsequently erected. From this it is obvious that if the 6th and 9th were cast in 1864 they would be the 5th and 8th for a ring of 10, and that if they were incorporated in the twelve then the 6th would be a semitone sharp.

If these two bells had been cast in 1864, Taylors had very little time to cast them; the tower was in an unfit state to hang them; and the local newspapers (which give very accurate details on the progress of the scheme) would have made some mention and if they did not then Cattley would certainly have written a very long letter to them about it. Additionally, Cattley wrote to 'The Worcester Herald' in May, 1869, saying that he had visited Loughborough and seen the tenor which, he said, was the first of the ringing bells to be cast.

Mr. Savory's letter, and other previous correspondence, suggests that some of the old eight were recast, but this was not the case. The 1869 twelve were completely new, there was no recasting or augmentation and none of the inscriptions from the old bells were repeated on the new ones. Also the Bourdon bell was not recast in 1928, but returned from B flat to A.

The weights of the old semitone bells are as follows: Flat 4th, 9 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb., 1869; flat 6th, 11 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb., 1875; flat 8th, 18 cwt. 0 qr. 14 lb., 1875.—Yours sincerely,

JOHN C. SLATER.

Worcester Cathedral.

## Rings of Four in Kent

Dear Sir.—The article by D.C.L. on rings of four in Kent makes interesting reading, and I am delighted to learn that Waltham bells are in better condition than they appeared to me at a cursory glance a few weeks ago; let us hope that regular ringing becomes possible there.

The list of ringable fours given omits that at St. James', Isle of Grain. These bells are in good ringing order, the tenor being between 6 and 7 cwt., and they are hung in a wooden frame with pits for two additional bells. The four at Plumstead are mentioned as being ringable, but to the best of my knowledge this ring was restored fairly recently by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank and hung dead for chiming only.—Yours sincerely,

PETER N. BOND.

Gillingham.



## LETTERS—Continued

**King's Norton-by-Gaulby**

Dear Sir.—I would like to thank Messrs. Haines, Bagworth and Salter for offering their congratulations to the band who recently rang a peal at the above mentioned tower.

It is interesting to note that eight peals have been rung on these bells, namely: Grandsire Triples in 1776 (the first on the bells); Grandsire Triples in 1816; Stedman Triples in 1926; Grandsire Triples in 1929; Grandsire Doubles (on back six, two on tenor) by local band, about 1931; Plain Bob Major (first Major on the bells), about 1934; Braunstone Surprise Major (first Surprise on the bells), 1936; Cambridge Major, 1964.

Nichols' 'Church Bells of Leicestershire' tells us that Wm. Fortrey, Esq., gave a peal of 10 bells when he completely rebuilt the church in 1760, but finding the weight dangerous he reduced them to eight. He also gave a ring of six to Gaulby in 1741 (tenor recast 1740); a treble to Houghton-on-the-Hill (which is in a sadly decayed and unsafe frame); two new trebles to St. Margaret's, Leicester, recasting the trebles to the existing eight and rehanging them in a new oak frame in 1738.

From the above dates, Mr. Bagworth's assumption that the trebles from Norton went to Gaulby is ruled out.

Another point, the late Ernest Morris did ring a peal at Gaulby, over 40 years ago when he turned the tenor in to Bob Minor (the only peal on the bells). Incidentally, these bells are in a 'ringing' state, but are definitely not allowed to be rung due to the insecurity of four very tall and slender pinnacles on the top of the tower.

Getting back to King's Norton, the dates and founders of the bells are as follows: Treble, 2nd, 3rd and 5th. Thomas Eayre, 1760; 6th, Thomas Eayre, 1761; 7th and tenor, Joseph Eayre, 1764; and the 4th is one of the previous ring dated 1641.

The frame is in a 'reasonable' state and the bells hang in two tiers—five on the bottom and the three trebles on the top.

Of the eight, six swing in the same direction (including 6, 7, 8 in a row) and treble and 4th in the other direction.

If any ringer or ringers should be in the vicinity of King's Norton (7 miles S.E. of Leicester), it would be a journey well rewarded to see the church in one of the most picturesque settings in the county.

Mr. Bagworth will be pleased to hear that Staunton Harold bells are still in the tower, but are not allowed to be rung because of the hall being acquired by the Cheshire Homes and some dribble about the frame being unsafe.—Yours faithfully,

R. KINGSLEY MASON.

Knighton, Leicester.

**SUNBURY-ON-THAMES, MIDD.**—On Nov. 8th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Miss B. Dale 1, D. Brock 2, M. B. Tyers 3, A. M. Johnson 4, A. G. Tyers 5, D. Struckett (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled for Evensong, and prior to a choral rendering of Brahms' 'German Requiem'.

**WINTERTON-ON-SEA, NORFOLK.**—On Nov. 7th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: M. Seunke 1, Miss D. Toon (first quarter) 2, T. Brock 3, S. High (first as cond.) 4, J. B. Pickup 5.

**LEEDS VISIT NORTH-EAST COAST**

FOR their autumn outing on October 10th, Leeds Parish Church ringers were able to have a three years old ban on visitors lifted at rethkirk, near Thirsk, where the 8 cwt. tenor could pass for 18 cwt.

The ban had arisen because a broken rope or ropes, left after a meeting held there, had given rise to the report that 'visiting ringers did damage'.

The Rector had warned us that one of his bells 'gave a cracked sound,' but we were scarcely prepared for the sound or rather the lack of sound of Sedgfield tenor. 'There is more ringing in a dustbin lid—but the 'beat' of a ring or five with an inaudible tenor is quite interesting.

The remaining six towers visited contained excellent octaves from Whitechapel, Croydon and Loughborough.

Difficulty in finding St. Ignatius', Bishopwearmouth, which is situated in a poorer quarter of Sunderland, and having located it a still further delay in finding the key, reduced ringing time both here and on the sister ring at St. Michael's, the mother church of Sunderland.

There is, alas, no ringing at the former church—a lovely building and equally lovely bells—the sight of a motor coach outside and the sound of the bells attracted a swarm ofurchins hoping to see the bride.

At St. Aidan's, West Hartlepool, the musical Taylor eight are now ringing again after some months' silence. And what a snare for the unwary was the extra deep set of the seventh.

At St. Hilda's, South Shields, Charlie Lea's light eight tapped round to Original, and perhaps the best ringing of the day was our Little Bob at Houghton-le-Spring. These bells are literally a delight in both respects—sound and 'go.' A 'special' eight, they were on exhibition in their frame at the Croydon Bell Foundry in 1928.

At Shildon, our last tower, considerable local interest had been created by our visit—the youth club turned up in strength to see how it was done. Welcome refreshments were provided, and an invitation to come again was pressed upon us. These bells have been rung very rarely in recent years but efforts are now being made to form a band. A board records a peal of Grandsire Triples sixty years ago, conducted by the veteran John H. Lenton, who, now nearing his four score years, is still actively ringing at Pontefract.

If anyone should be singled out for thanks for the undoubted success of this outing it should be the coach driver. R. H. D.

**LONDON UNIVERSITY AND THE FUTURE**

The author of the problems confronting London University Society, mentioned on page 775, was Mr. David Martin's predecessor as president, Mr. Philip Gray. 'I am the legatee of the problems,' continues Mr. Martin. 'He and his predecessor, Dennis Layton, were founders of the Society 19 years ago. As their first pupil, perhaps I might add that the present standing the Society enjoys is due largely to early foresight and continuous devotion.' The problem is the creation of the Northampton C.A.T., as a separate university next year and a split up into two or more universities in London in the near future.

## OBITUARY

**MR. FRED BLACKLIDGE**

Members of the Preston Branch of the Lancashire Association were shocked to learn at their meeting at Tarleton on November 14th, of the sudden death that morning of Mr. Fred Blacklidge.

Fred had been a member of the Association for more than 40 years, and although not a prolific peal ringer (his total was 44), he was justly proud of being the last surviving member of the Sunday service band of St. James', Brindle, which rang a peal of London Surprise Minor (the first for the Association) in 1931.

In recent years Brindle has unfortunately lacked a regular band, but Fred, along with others, had lately been teaching some learners, and was hoping to get the bells ringing regularly once more. He was a man of quiet disposition, a capable ringer, who was as happy when standing behind a learner as when taking part himself. He will be greatly missed by the Preston Branch.

The funeral took place at St. John's, Whittle-le-Woods, on November 19th, and the bells were rung half-muffled by Branch members both before and after the interment.

A quarter peal of Plain Bob Minor was rung at Brindle, and a peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major at Chorley St. Laurence's.

C. C.

**MRS. JOAN PANNELL**

Mrs. Joan Pannell, wife of Mr. Ernest Pannell, a ringer at St. Cuthbert's, Darlington, passed away on November 23rd.

She was born in Hartford, Huntingdonshire, and learnt to ring in that area before moving to Darlington in 1951.

Ill-health prevented her from taking part in the ringing at Darlington, much as she would have liked to. She bore her illness bravely, assisted by the loving care which her husband and family bestowed upon her.

She was taken to hospital a few weeks ago, suffering greatly, and there she ended her days. The widower shares his bereavement with a son and daughter. May she rest in peace. F. H.

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## 'BEGORRA! SURE IT'S INDEED TO GOODNESS'

### University of Wales Abroad

**T**HIS year the University of Wales Society was very ambitious and held its tour in Southern Ireland at the beginning of October.

The main party disembarked at Rosslare at 7 a.m. on the Wednesday morning and knocked up a local hotel for breakfast after having deposited their luggage in a building in the harbour car park. The 'advance party' and the cars arrived at 9 a.m. and we set off for Wexford.

We had been told that the bells of the R.C. Church of the Immaculate Conception were 'out of action' but all that is required are 3 ropes and they are a very good 10. We had only one spare rope and so were only able to ring the back eight.

Two more joined us at Waterford bringing our numbers up to 14. The ringing here started well but was brought to a sudden stop when someone standing in the gallery in the ringing chamber grabbed a moving rope and caused the bell to set! Luckily no harm was done.

After a quick lunch we went out to Kilkenny to St. Canice's Cathedral where we found a light airy ringing chamber and the bells in a 'box' on top of the very squat tower. Due to tiredness we couldn't strike these bells well, but we managed to pull ourselves together for the light six at Doneraile and Stedman and Cambridge went well.

We found a good Chinese restaurant in Cork in the evening which provided a table for 14 and good food and wine. We returned there on the Thursday evening as well.

### NONE KISSED BLARNEY STONE

Most of the party slept late on Thursday morning and as the bells at Rosscarbery are out of action we had time to visit Blarney Castle. None of us kissed the Blarney Stone! We had an enjoyable ring on the good 6 at Bandan and then we went back to St. Finbarre's Cathedral, Cork, for a peal attempt. After about an hour and a half of Plain Bob Major a rope slipped wheel and jammed. That evening we rang some sensible methods and some 'party games' on the handbells.

The next morning we set off for Limerick. At St. Mary's Cathedral we found an anticlockwise eight which went very well to Cam-

bridge. We moved on to Mount St. Alphonse, where we found an excellent ten. The priest who met us here had been in Carmarthen for some years and greeted us with the Welsh 'Croeso.' Back to Dublin for the night, where we nearly lost our Welsh nationalist in a demonstration by Irish nationalists in O'Connell Street.

Our first tower on the Saturday was Blessington where a considerable amount of effort was required to ring the bells. The Vicar and local ringers here are keen to have the bells restored.

### REAL IRISH BOG

The road to Arklow took us via Glendalough and the seven churches, a very beautiful place. The party in the Opel stopped to take a walk and landed up to their ankles in bog. Arklow bells are a very good eight which we did not do justice to even with a course of Duffield.

The bells at Bray are excellent and we enjoyed our ringing there. Then we went on to Drogheda for an evening's ringing with Mr. Fred Dukes and his band. This is a very good opportunity to send our thanks to Mr. Dukes for all he did to make the tour the success it undoubtedly was. Thank you, Mr. Dukes, come and see us in Wales some day!

The Sunday saw us ringing for services in Dublin. We were allowed to ring the bells of St. Patrick's Cathedral before Matins and so after ringing the 12 to rounds, a good quarter peal of Plain Bob Triples was rung on the middle eight. We rang for a short time at the R.C. Church of St. John's Lane and in the afternoon at Christ Church Cathedral.

We had been invited to meet the President of the University of Dublin Society of Change Ringers, Professor Vokes, at his home. Here we were treated to a marvellous tea and were able to chat to the U.D. ringers.

Now there was only one tower left in Southern Ireland which we hadn't visited. St. George's, Dublin. Half of the party rang here for Evensong: the other half (in the Opel) couldn't find the church.

And so to Dun Loaghaire, a calm crossing to Holyhead and after a nightmare of a journey for those of us going to Aberystwyth we were back home ready for another term to begin.

G. C., K. M.

## IN AND AROUND SALISBURY PLAIN

**W**HILE the manœuvring Army played soldiers outside and the last of the season's holidaymakers passed unheeding through a Dorset town, four ringers could have been found in the bar of a quayside inn quaffing pleasantly potent cider and discussing tours past and future.

The plans conceived here reached fruition on October 31st—after some difficulties owing to an unprecedented amount of movement among the clerical profession, leading in one instance to a refusal from a tower in Sussex—bringing together in the south-west corner of Wiltshire ringers from that county, Middlesex and Dorset.

At the appointed time the band's four cars gathered below the four bells of Donhead St. Andrew, which were soon sounding out over the splendid autumn gold of the countryside. These bells were rehung in 1953 and the tenor is by Wasborough Hale of Bristol, better known perhaps as a manufacturer of steam engines.

From four to six, and after a brisk trot around the village by two members of the party, access was gained to Hindon St. John, the bells of which gave some interesting ringing. The next tower was Barford St. Martin, containing a 14 cwt. six, rung from the centre of the church.

Lunch was taken by the plutocracy—being branch officers of the Salisbury Guild—in civilised luxury in Salisbury, while one section took to the fields and the other apparently to Old Sarum.

Spliced Minor in the porch at Winterslow and then a ring under the brooding eaves of East Fytherley, one of two eights on the tour and where with the aid of Southampton a young band is being taught. A mile or two away at Lockerley—vintage Taylor's—some youngsters helped us out.

The well-known picnic spot of the Pepperbox was the venue for tea, and although this tower is without bells—one of the party was seen to be scaling it, doubtless in an attempt to confirm this—it was duly circled! Sustained by this tea, the 22 cwt. tenor of Downton posed few problems and Plain Bob Major was rung in spite of spectators weaving in and out of the ropes halfway through the touch. The tour was concluded with two more sixes—Coombe Bissett and Broadchalke, the latter being particularly enjoyed and the source of some amusement when it was found that there was nothing for one of the youngest tower grabbers (age nine) in the Exercise to stand on. Down went a gallant gentleman and the young lady, supported on his back, gained another tower.

Minimus, Stedman and Cambridge also featured in the repertoire and having completed an almost full if rather elongated circle the band dispersed homewards.

J. C. S.—K. C. J.

**LEIGH-ON-MENDIP, SOMERSET.**—On Nov. 11th, 1,260 Grandire Doubles (10 callings): Patricia E. Trim (first quarter) 1. E. E. King 2. Sylvia E. Trim (first quarter) 3. E. E. Trim 4. D. J. Withers (cond.) 5. A. J. Tucker 6. Rung for Armistice Day.

## HANDBELL CAROLLING

### Some Tips by T. Ogden

**A**BOUT this time of the year I am frequently asked by young ringing friends as to how to go about playing carols around their parishes at Christmastime, and as this may be of interest to a great many readers, here are a few practical hints and tips.

A minimum of 12 handbells is needed, preferably with a tenor size 15 C, but a set with tenor 18 G or 19 F would do just as well. There are many carols and hymn tunes that can be played with a set of 12 notes, but if a few more bells are available, together with one or two shops or flats, the range of tunes can be considerably increased. With two bells to each ringer, six to eight ringers, and two or three others (who need not be actual ringers) are needed, the latter to hold the music for the ringers when playing out of doors. Paste or glue your music sheets on card or hardboard, and cover it with transparent polythene to protect it from the weather.

If your journey takes you over unlighted country roads, two or three paraffin pressure lamps will be handy, and—most important—tie each ringer's bells at the ends of a 4 ft. or so length of stout string and loop this over their shoulders, their bells can then be released for a few minutes if needed without any fear of them being damaged by dropping on the ground. Handbells are very expensive to replace, and your set could be put out of action for many weeks by just one bell being dropped on a concrete road or path—Safety First!

Take a collecting box with you, the name of the organisation for which you are collecting should be on it, and you will find that if this box is presented by a pretty young lady with a pleasant smile it is surprising how much more goes in it!

All your regular churchgoers will appreciate you calling on them, but also call on others, and do not forget the old gentleman who was perhaps a ringer many years until his age kept him from the belfry, or the old lady who may have sung in your church choir many years ago, and who still loves good music, as well as those people better off than most of us.

Especially if playing outdoors, strike your bells loud and clearly, nothing sounds better on a clear, frosty evening, and you will be pleasantly surprised at the enjoyment you, and your audiences, will experience. Everyone will be glad for you to call, and many will surprise you with the welcome and warm hospitality they will extend to you. I know, I have experienced it myself!

With every good wish for Christmas and the New Year to ringing friends everywhere.

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

### Newark District

The two most outstanding features of the meeting of the Newark District, held at Winthorpe on November 21st, were the good attendance and the obvious pleasure of the Rev. Dilwyn Davies at our visit.

A touch of Bob Minor by an all-ladies' band preceded the service, and afterwards both the Vicar and the organist joined us for tea in the Village Hall.

The Vicar also presided over the business meeting, and opened it by asking everyone to stand in silence to the memory of Canon Leeper, of Southwell, an honorary vice-president of the Guild, who had recently died at the age of 82.

Mr. A. E. Chilton proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar and the organist, and to the local ringers for their arrangements.

Visitors were welcomed from the Bingham District and from Lincolnshire, and although at times it was difficult to pack everyone into the very small belfry the ringing was much enjoyed.

B. N. R.

**STANTON, SHROPSHIRE.**—On Nov. 21st, 1,260 Grandire Doubles: T. Owen 1. A. Lloyd 2. A. S. Bayley 3. P. Davies 4. C. E. Edwards (cond.) 5. W. Norcott 6. First quarter 1 and 4.



# MR. CLAUDE RUSH DELVES INTO 'CHURCH BELLS'

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## TOTTENHAM PARISH CHURCH, MIDDXX

All Saints' Day, 1881.—The rich and beautiful ring of 6 bells has been improved by the addition of two trebles, provided by a few friends as a mark of esteem for their Vicar—opened on All Saints' Day, 1881. New bells weigh 6 and 6½ cwt. and are by Warners, who also repaired the old gear. Tenor 19 cwt. in E.

## NORTH CHINA—HANDBELLS

SS. Simon and Jude's Day, 1881.—Anniversary of consecration of Dr. Scott, Bishop of North China. About 400 circulars sent to various well-known ringers in England asking for funds to purchase and send out to Bishop Scott a complete set of handbells with case and all books and music thought requisite at a price not exceeding £25. The Chinese have bells but are ignorant in the art of raising and ringing a bell and are entirely unacquainted with change-ringing. The proposed handbells will primarily be used for the purpose of calling the people together to hear the preaching of the Gospel, as in other missions a cornet or a drum has been used with good results.

Besides this, however, it is believed that, from the interest the Chinese show in their own bells and from their mathematical acuteness, they will soon master changes and become, before long, formidable rivals of English change-ringers. . . . No subscription to exceed 5s. The Committee will gladly receive subscriptions from ladies interested in handbell ringing. A subscription list showed that, within a few weeks, (i.e. by the end of Nov., 1881) nearly £8 had already been received.

## SS. PETER AND PAUL, SWANSCOMBE, KENT

24th September, 1881.—Opening of bells after rehanging. Had been out of order for considerable time but through the kindness and liberality of Mr. J. B. White and brothers, they were rehung and new ropes added.

## ST. MARY'S, CHELMSFORD, ESSEX

3rd November, 1881.—Opening of these 8 bells—tenor 22 cwt. in E flat, recently rehung by Warners.

## NORTH WINGFIELD PARISH CHURCH, DERBYS.

5th November, 1881.—While bells were being raised for practice, gudgeon of 4th broke and let bell down into framework, breaking the wheel and doing other damage. Only repaired in 1878 when new fourth was cast and all rehung.

## DEATH OF JOHN FRIEND

15th October, 1881, at Hythe, Kent, aged 77. A College Youth. 'On his occasional visits to London a select band always met the "talented countryman" as he was termed, having performed on every ring of 10 or 12 bells in London.' He rang in peals of 10,304 at Ashford and 13,440 at Hythe, etc.

## GLINTON, NORTHANTS

11th November, 1881.—On the 80th anniversary of the opening of the 6 bells, tenor 16½ cwt., a gathering of ringers took place. A 720 of Oxford T.B. was attempted but 'jumbled out in the last 12 changes.' A knife-and-fork tea was provided at the Blue Bell Inn. Ringing went on all day from 9 a.m. and the evening was spent in listening to Mr. J. T. Hollis playing tunes and tapping of change-ringing on handbells—224 Kent—in capital style.

## ST. MARY'S, HORNSEY, MIDDXX

13th November, 1881.—720 Grandsire Minor in 28 minutes. Tenor 17½ cwt. 'supposed to be the first ever performed on the bells of this church.'

## ST. NICHOLAS, GREAT YARMOUTH, NORFOLK

15th November, 1881.—5,040 Holt's Ten-part Grandsire Triples. 3 hours 25 minutes. Tenor 30½ cwt. by 8 members of the Yarmouth Company and members of the Norwich Diocesan Association. 'This is the first peal of the company and the first in Yarmouth for 27 years and by a Yarmouth company for 35 years.'

## ACKWORTH PARISH CHURCH, YORKS.

18 Dec., 1880. The six bells, silent for 20 years immediately prior to 1880, reopened after overhaul. Jasper W. Snowden in charge. Tenor 14 cwt. cast by Warners and all rehung by T. Mallaby of Masham, at the cost of Catherine Alice Peel, of Ackworth Park.

## STOCKTON-ON-TEES, DURHAM

Since the reorganisation of the Society of Ringers in connection with the parish church as a branch of the Durham Diocesan Association, the progress of the beautiful art of change-ringing has been so steady and satisfactory that this company are in a position to rank themselves for proficiency with any 6-bell company in the Northern Counties, having on Christmas Eve, 1880, completed the hundredth peal, 90 of which have been rung entirely by their own members. . . . The capacious and well-built tower of the church is well adapted for 8 or 10 bells which, in the hands of the present company of ringers, would soon receive ample justice. (They have a 21 cwt. tenor to ring of 10 today.—C.R.).

## ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, RANMOOR, SHEFFIELD

Christmas Day, 1880: 8 bells opened—tenor 14 cwt. James Barwell, Birmingham, founder, hangers and fitters, James Shaw and Sons, Bradford. Bells presented by William Smith, Esq.

## DRAYTON, BERKS.

27 Dec. 1880.—8 College Youths rang 5,120 Kent T.B. Major in 3 hrs. 6 mins. Tenor 9½ cwt. rung by Rev. E. Robinson. 'This is the finest peal in this method ever called by an incumbent on his own bells.'

## FIRING THE BELLS

15 Jan. 1881.—An aged gentleman writes from a Cathedral town complaining of the hideous firing of the bells on New Year's Eve. We have always disapproved of such a practice: there is neither music nor science in it and it must be an intolerable nuisance to the neighbours. Our advice to our aged correspondent is to complain to the Dean and Chapter, who ought not to allow such a practice. Should that fail, to apply to the Lord Chancellor for an injunction.

In a later issue, 'We are very sorry to hear that the bells of Ripon Cathedral were fired on the eve of the New Year—twelve blows to mark the midnight hour. That would not be so bad as the continuous hideous firing complained of by an aged gentleman in another Cathedral town. We think the midnight hour is much better marked by twelve slow and sober knells with the tenor only.'

LONDON.—At St. Clement Danes', on Nov. 8th. 1,277 Grandsire Caters: J. Ketteringham 1, Miss R. Rich 2, Mrs. W. Oatway 3, C. A. Hughes 4, P. Fleckney 5, A. M. Stacey 6, M. Hatchet 7, A. Fulwell 8, W. G. Wilson (cond.) 9, W. Oatway 10. Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday. Also at St. Clement Danes', on Nov. 14th, 1,251 Stedman Caters: Gillian D. Sewell 1, Brenda M. Foster 2, T. G. Pett 3, R. D. Bailey 4, R. E. J. Dennis 5, G. McIlhone 6, E. F. P. Bryant (cond.) 7, R. O. Humphries 8, P. G. Erith 9, R. W. Powell 10. First on ten 5 and 6. First of Stedman 1, 2 and 8. First of Stedman Caters 3 and 4. By U.L.S.C.R. for Evening.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP

The sympathy of ringing friends will be extended to Mr. E. Sherwood, captain of Ash, Surrey, ringers. He has been discharged from hospital, but is still not fit.

Miss Winifred Keys was unsuccessful in her attempt to call a peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major at Lower Beeding, Sussex, last Saturday. We are informed that the band was not strong enough for the occasion.

The many friends of Ernest G. Pearce will be sorry to learn he is ill in Felix Ward, East Suffolk Hospital, Angelsea Road, Ipswich. The writer is sure Ernie would feel better for a letter or two from a few old friends.

The handbell peal at County Hall, S.E., on November 16th was made possible by the kindness of Mr. Douglas Hughes, who provided a set of bells at very short notice, when it was discovered that none of the band had remembered these would be required!

Cadet Gordon Dickens, of M.V. Bendigo, stood in an unsuccessful attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples at the City Hall, Ballarat. The failure was partially redeemed by a successful quarter of Cambridge Surprise Major, in which he rang his first of Major.

An air mail letter, as we were going to press, informs us that the first peal on the rehung bells of St. Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne, was rung by ringers from Melbourne, Adelaide and Sydney on November 21st. It was 5,201 Grandsire Caters, conducted by Tom Goodyer, and participating in the peal was Robin Turner, who recently arrived in Australia.

Inadvertently, in our review of Edgar C. Shepherd's book, 'The Sound of Bells,' we gave credit to G. N. Price ringing Exeter Cathedral tenor to a peal single handed. This was one of the great performances of William Pye during the nearly 40 years in which, to use the author's words, 'he dominated the Exercise.' Those who pointed out the error are thanked.



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### Author on T.V.

Mr. Edgar Shepherd, author of 'The Sound of Bells,' appeared on Granada Television show 'Scene at Six-Thirty,' on November 18th. Before he was interviewed a touch on handbells was rung by E. A. Barnett, T. Lock, A. D. Barker and E. C. Shepherd. Questioned about ringers having 'bats in the belfry' Edgar denied that ringers were slightly mad about bells. 'It's probably as big a disease as golf,' he added. 'Once you've caught the liking for it I don't think you ever get rid of it again.' We hear from the publishers that their advertisements 'are pulling well.' Edgar deserves it—it's a good book.

### "Provincial Honours"

By ringing at Irton, Cumberland, on November 13th, Mr. Ronald H. Dove, of Leeds, has now rung on every ringable ring in the Province of York, which comprises 13 dioceses and covers the six northern counties, in addition to Nottinghamshire and Cheshire. We feel certain that no one will challenge this provincial honour for Mr. Dove. It must be unique.

### At the "Woolpack"

There was a happy gathering at 'The Woolpack,' Beckington, Somerset, on November 21st, following a peal of Stedman Triples on the bells of St. George's Church. The occasion of the peal was to honour the silver wedding of the tower captain (Mr. L. Alan Fear) and his wife. The hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Fear was very much appreciated.

### Golden Bells at March

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Leeden, of March, recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversary, and local ringers honoured the occasion with a quarter peal on Sunday, November 22nd. Aged 76, 'Bill' rang at St. Wendreda's Church for about 30 years until ill-health forced him to retire. He rang a peal with March ringers a few years ago—the first by a local team since 1819—and has taken part in a great many Sunday quarters over the past 14 years. He was able to hear the bells at his home a mile away.

### To Mr. Chris Wallater

It is learned with regret that Mr. Chris Wallater, of St. Giles', Willenhall, who is one of the oldest ringers if not the oldest in the Archdeaconry of Stafford, has been unwell for some weeks. His many friends in the ringing world, and in particular, his fellow ringers at St. Giles', wish him a speedy return to good health. Mr. Wallater will be 82 on Christmas Day.

### North Wales to Devon

Ringers from Wrexham were invited to Dolgellau on November 21st to ring a quarter peal of Stedman Triples, and to join the local ringers at a dinner arranged to bid farewell to their captain, Mr. E. W. K. Walton, who will shortly be leaving Dolgellau to take up duties at the Royal Naval Training College at Dartmouth.

### Corrections

'R.D.B.' informs us that the length of the peal of St. Clement's C.B. Major at Sutterton (page 709) on October 3rd, was 5,008, and not 5,088 as printed.

With apologies Mr. J. M. Donald Betjeman writes regarding the peal of Grandsire Triples rung at Walsden, Yorkshire, on November 8th, that the composer was John Millett and the conductor Derek Butterworth.

### Long Length Lost

The attempt for the long length of Grandsire Caters at Worsley, on November 21st, lasted only 30-35 minutes, when the clapper of the 8th bell came out. On examination, the crown staple was found to be broken. Mr. Tudor Edwards reports: 'This was not obvious beforehand as everything had been checked and we would not have found this in a month of Sundays. We shall be trying again, probably next May.' The whole Exercise will commiserate with Mr. Tudor Edwards and his band.

### Benefactor Wanted

Mr. John A. Hilton, of 19, Lonewood Way, Hadlow, Tonbridge, informs us that 'it is no longer possible to ring the bells of St. Mary's, Hadlow, owing to their bad condition. The headstock of the 4th has split, and the bellfounders have advised us that it is no longer possible to ring them. The estimated cost of the repairs is £591; unfortunately the Parochial Church Council cannot find this sum, owing to other heavy commitments. Meanwhile, if there is a generous benefactor . . .'

### Showing the Ropes to Mum

The writer of the front page article has an 18-year-old daughter who is the vice-captain of All Saints', Chilvers Coton, Nuneaton. The article is the outcome of a challenge—to at least 'try'—to ring a bell. Mrs. Evelyn Mason writes: 'I am in middle life, but I was moved to accept her dare. Although I do not know if I shall be able to go on from there, the mere act of trying seemed to open up a new world of endeavour and interest . . . and also prompted the enclosed reactionary write-up.' We are sure the Editor was not alone in enjoying the graphic picture of her experiences that Mrs. Mason has presented to our readers.

### Police Honour President

Honour, in the appropriate ringers' fashion by a peal, was paid at Farnworth, Lancashire, on November 21st, to Ex-Insp. T. R. Butler, who relinquishes the presidency of the National Guild of Police Ringers at the end of the year, after three years in office. Thurstans' five-part of Grandsire Triples was selected by the conductor, Ex-P.S. Peter Crook. Now in his 80th year and despite 'gammy' legs, he made an excellent job of this multi-bob and single composition, which is thought to have more calls than any other peal of Grandsire Triples.

### American Appreciation

Dr. Harry O. Whipple, of Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, New Mexico, and his wife attended the annual meeting of the Railwaymen's Guild at Cambridge. He visited three towers, including a run out to Trumpington, and joined the Guild at dinner. In a letter to the Master, Mr. W. Frank Stenson, acknowledging copies of 'The Ringing World,' Dr. Whipple writes: 'One of our fondest memories of England will be that Saturday in Cambridge with the Railwaymen's Guild. I was interested to have the material of Lincoln Cathedral. Did you know that Margery and I had been there, in fact attended a mid-week service of Holy Communion in the Ringers' Chapel? You will be pleased to know that I have entered a subscription for "The Ringing World."'

### Sow Littered as Peal Started

As the peal of Yorkshire started at Edenham, Lincolnshire, on November 16th, Mr. Cyril R. Burrell's favourite sow decided to have a litter of piglets. Of course, the peal had a more complimentary purpose, being an occasion for three other members of the band. For Wendy Daw it was a 21st birthday compliment, to George W. Massey, the 22nd anniversary of his joining the R.A.F. and it was on the eve of Shirley Harris' birthday.

### Rivalry at Epsom

Practically all the publicity at Epsom regarding ringing has been captured by Christ Church, Epsom Common. And now St. Martin's, Epsom, has again appeared. The quarter peal we publish this week is the first by a local band for at least 15 years.

### Five Firsts at Chiddingly

Chiddingly, Sussex, has again entered the picture as a peal ringing tower. Except for the conductor (Alan R. Baldock), all the band were ringing their first peal. The last time any members of the local band took part in a peal was in 1920. The ringers included the Vicar (the Rev. Gerard Summergood), and the peal was being rung in honour of the birth of a son to him and his wife.

### "One Ringer's Sunday"

In the Editor's long experience of newspaper work, few articles he has handled have made such a deep impression and painted such a picture of stark reality as the contribution of 'E.D.K.' Some readers might question what the article has to do with bells and ringing. The writer was until recently an outstanding personality in the Exercise, an accomplished peal ringer, whose name frequently appeared in our columns, and an officer of the Ladies' Guild. Many old friends we are sure will, on reading this, send her their love and sympathy and wish her a complete recovery.

### Salisbury, S.R.

Last week we had much to say about Salisbury Cathedral, Southern Rhodesia. From the Church Information Office we are told that on December 20th this silver-grey granite cathedral will be opened for worship in its complete form with a celebration of the Holy Eucharist by the Bishop of Mashonaland. A feature of the cathedral, apart from its ten bells, is the font, a pool large enough for immersion through which water continually flows. The first cathedral was a wattle and daub building put up in 1891. A brick church came two years later, and the chancel of the present structure was completed in 1914.

### Kent is her Family

Miss Shelagh R. Collins, Master of the Peterborough Guild, by taking part in a peal of Kent T.B. Royal at her home tower, Kettering, on November 21st, has completed the Kent family from Minor to Maximus. The Guild and her friends in the U.A. will congratulate her.

### Cheshire Bells for Canada

A tape-recording of Hyde, Cheshire, bells has been sent to Port Arthur, Ontario, Canada. It is to be broadcast from a tower at Christmas. The tape, made by members of the Sunday service band, includes some Stedman Triples.



## TOWER BELL PEALS

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

DITCHEAT, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 24 cwt. 4 lb. in E flat.

Jennifer M. Taylor .. .. Treble	*John Brain .. .. 5
Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 2	James R. Taylor .. .. 6
John H. Taylor .. .. 3	†D. John Hunt .. .. 7
Michael J. Hobbs .. .. 4	Victor Griffin .. .. Tenor

Composed by R. Baldwin.

Conducted by D. John Hunt.

\* 25th peal. † 325th peal.

BECKINGTON, Somerset.—At the Church of St. George.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Heywood's Transposition of Thurstans' Four-Part.

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 25 lb. in E.

Ronald G. Beck .. .. Treble	*Douglas G. Brown .. .. 5
David G. Massey .. .. 2	*Raymond E. J. Baker .. .. 6
David T. H. Robertson .. 3	George W. Massey .. .. 7
*Derrick J. Withers .. .. 4	Hugh Vennell .. .. Tenor

Conducted by George W. Massey.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples.

A silver wedding compliment to Mr. L. Alan Fear, tower captain, and Mrs. Fear.

CORSTON, Somerset.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5090 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt.

*Elisabeth A. G. Bowden Treble	†George J. Hawkins .. .. 5
Ralph G. Edwards .. .. 2	*Richard J. Bowden .. .. 6
Sidney J. Woodcock .. .. 3	D. John Hunt .. .. 7
†Harold L. Palfrey .. .. 4	Rev. Roger O. Fry .. .. Tenor

Composed by B. D. Price.

Conducted by D. John Hunt.

\* 175th peal. † 25th together.

Rung to mark the retirement as Tower Ringing Master of Sidney G. King, after 18 years of office.

PRISTON, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Luke.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 12 extents of Reverse St. Bartholomew and 30 extents of Grand-sire.

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in E.

*John H. Thompson (12) .. Treble	†Alan F. Lee .. .. 4
Leslie R. G. Taylor .. .. 2	David A. Burt .. .. 5
†Robin L. Coles (14) .. .. 3	Albert F. Butt .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Alan F. Lee.

\* First peal in two methods. † First in two methods 'inside.' ‡ 125th peal.

## THE BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

NUNBURNHOLME, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

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

Tenor 12 cwt.

*Paul Scrowston .. .. Treble	J. Ian Booth .. .. 4
*†Chris. L. D. Munday .. 2	Rev. Frederick Ross .. .. 5
Richard D. Gibson .. .. 3	Ronald Ducker .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Ronald Ducker.

\* First peal. † First attempt.

An 85th birthday compliment to Harry Rodmell, ringer at Sutton-on-Hull for over 60 years.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

MARPLE, Cheshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb.

Paul J. Atkins .. .. Treble	†Barry Corbishley .. .. 5
*Harold Dowler .. .. 2	Walter Sherratt .. .. 6
Norman Sherratt .. .. 3	Roy Worrall .. .. 7
*Dennis Latham .. .. 4	Ivor R. Nichols .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. H. Hattersley.

Conducted by Ivor R. Nichols.

\* First peal of Bristol. † 50th tower for a peal.

## THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

CHILVERS COTON, Nuneaton, Warwick.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lb. in F sharp.

Hubert G. Summers .. Treble	†Geoffrey Pratt .. .. 6
Hubert E. Ashley .. .. 2	*John W. T. Taylor .. .. 7
L. Michael Callow .. .. 3	†Ian D. Thompson .. .. 8
David J. Allen .. .. 4	Ernest J. Gower .. .. 9
*Edward Holdsworth .. .. 5	Peter Border .. .. Tenor

Composed by John A. Burford.

Conducted by Peter Border.

\* First peal on ten bells. † First of Royal. ‡ First in the method.

Rung with congratulations and best wishes of the band to Mrs. Elizabeth Beamish, on the occasion of her 90th birthday.

MICKLETON, Warwicks.—At the Church of St. Lawrence.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb. in E.

Eric Styler .. .. Treble	Maurice C. Hughes .. .. 5
*Peter C. Randall .. .. 2	F. Mark Robottom .. .. 6
†Clare F. Dolphin .. .. 3	Geoffrey W. Randall .. .. 7
John W. Perkins .. .. 4	Ian C. Maycock .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Ian C. Maycock.

\* First of Major and 'inside.' † First of Major 'inside.'

A 14th birthday compliment to the ringer of the second.

## THE EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.

COLEMAN'S HATCH, Sussex.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in G.

Maxwell F. Oakshett .. Treble	*Thomas M. Barlow .. .. 5
*Alan R. Baldock .. .. 2	*Ian V. J. Smith .. .. 6
Margaret A. Ladd .. .. 3	John W. Smith .. .. 7
†Brian E. Jeffrey .. .. 4	Ernest J. Ladd .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pistow.

Conducted by Ernest J. Ladd.

\* First peal in the method. † First of Surprise.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

HUTTON, Essex.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 19 extents of Grandsire, 16 of All Saints, three of April Day and four of Plain Bob.

Tenor 7 cwt.

P. R. Friend .. .. Treble	J. J. Wallet .. .. 3
C. E. Hill .. .. 2	W. T. Hill .. .. 4

R. G. Jones .. .. Tenor

Conducted by R. G. Jones.

First as conductor.

Rung to congratulate the Rector (the Rev. H. G. Tindall) on his installation as an Honorary Canon of Chelmsford Cathedral, on October 31st. Also to congratulate Mr. D. Bradford, a vice-president of the Guild, and his wife, on the occasion of their silver wedding anniversary on November 11th.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

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

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb.

Walter G. Paul .. .. Treble	Brian B. Hullah .. .. 5
*A. Trevor Hawkins .. .. 2	Donald F. Murfet .. .. 6
*Keith J. Walpole .. .. 3	Giles B. Thompson .. .. 7
Alan M. Barber .. .. 4	George E. Thoday .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Alan M. Barber.

\* First of Surprise Major 'inside.'

KNEBWORTH, Hertfordshire. At the Church of SS. Mary-the-Virgin and Thomas-a-Becket.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 WALBROOK SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12½ cwt.

Stuart J. Hutton .. .. Treble	Vernon Green .. .. 5
Claudia A. Critchley .. .. 2	Jack S. Dear .. .. 6
G. William Critchley .. .. 3	Colin A. S. Harwood .. .. 7
Eric Edmondson .. .. 4	J. Richard Castledine .. Tenor

Composed by Richard F. B. Speed.

Conducted by G. William Critchley.

First peal in the method by all the band.

LANGLEYBURY, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Paul.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Surfleet, Beverley, Cambridge, York, London, Wells and Norwich.

Tenor 8 cwt. 13 lb.

Brian M. Barker .. .. Treble	Roger Baldwin .. .. 4
S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. 2	Anthony R. Kench .. .. 5
Walter Ayre .. .. 3	*Kenneth R. Dunstan .. Tenor

Conducted by Walter Ayre.

\* 75th peal on the bells.

Rung to celebrate the centenary of the consecration of this church on November 14th, 1864.

ABBOTS LANGLEY, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Lawrence.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

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

Tenor 11½ cwt.

Donald A. Bedford .. Treble	Brian M. Barker .. .. 4
Walter Ayre .. .. 2	Keith D. Waples .. .. 5
Augustin V. Good .. .. 3	Anthony R. Kench .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Walter Ayre.

Rung half-muffled to the memory of Dr. Frank Stedman Poole, who was interred in this churchyard the previous day.



**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**  
**ERITH, Kent.**—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.  
*On Fri., Nov. 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Washbrook's variation. Tenor 15 cwt.  
 Cyril S. Jarrett .. .. *Treble* \*Leonard Crouch .. .. 5  
 Martin L. Howe .. .. 2 John W. Smith .. .. 6  
 Thomas Cullingworth .. .. 3 George J. Butcher .. .. 7  
 Herbert E. Audsley .. .. 4 Thomas W. Blewitt .. .. *Tenor*

Conducted by George J. Butcher.

\* First peal in the method.

Rung in memoriam Paul E. Le Saux.

**FOLKESTONE, Kent.**—At the Church of SS. Mary and Eanswythe.  
*On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In four methods, comprising 1,600 of Cambridge, 1,408 of Bristol, 1,280 of Superlative and 768 of London, with 121 changes of method.  
 Tenor 25 cwt, 1 qr, 5 lb. in E flat.

Doris E. Colgate .. .. *Treble* John R. Cooper .. .. 5  
 Ann Jenner .. .. 2 Ian H. Oram .. .. 6  
 Arthur S. Richards .. .. 3 Dennis A. Chapman .. .. 7  
 Ralph Bird .. .. 4 Stanley Jenner .. .. *Tenor*  
 Composed by Albert J. Pitman. Conducted by Stanley Jenner.

**THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**HINCKLEY, Leicestershire.**—At the Church of the Assumption of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

*On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 22 cwt, 6 lb. in D.

Garry Wm. Mason .. .. *Treble* David J. Allen .. .. 5  
 A. Maxwell Lindsey .. .. 2 Roland H. Cook .. .. 6  
 Alan E. Hartley .. .. 3 Robert B. Smith .. .. 7  
 \*Basil Jones .. .. 4 R. Kingsley Mason .. .. *Tenor*

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, C.C.C. (Nos. 2-7).

Conducted by Robert B. Smith.

\* 50th peal of London Surprise Major.

**EARL SHILTON, Leicestershire.**—At the Church of SS. Simon and Jude.

*On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5152 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 11 cwt, 3 qr, 13 lb. in G.

Roland H. Cook .. .. *Treble* William A. Lacey .. .. 5  
 Malcolm E. Wade .. .. 2 \*Aubrey G. Everleigh .. .. 6  
 Alan E. Hartley .. .. 3 Brian S. Chapman .. .. 7  
 A. Maxwell Lindsey .. .. 4 R. Kingsley Mason .. .. *Tenor*  
 Composed by James S. Wilde. Conducted by R. Kingsley Mason.

\* First peal of Surprise Major 'inside.'

**THURCASTON, Leicestershire.**—At the Church of All Saints.

*On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5216 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt, 7 lb. in G.

Monica M. Jelley .. .. *Treble* J. Martin Thorley .. .. 5  
 John M. Jelley .. .. 2 W. Ernest Rawson .. .. 6  
 Beryl E. Cawser .. .. 3 Russell S. Morris .. .. 7  
 \*J. Edward Cawser .. .. 4 E. Alan Jacques .. .. *Tenor*

Composed by Arthur Craven.

\* 50th peal in the method.

Conducted by J. Edward Cawser.

**PACKINGTON, Leicestershire.**—At the Church of the Holy Rood.

*On Thurs., Nov. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

In seven methods, viz.: Netherseale, London, York, Bourne, Beverley, Surfleet, Cambridge. Tenor 6 cwt, 2 qr, 19 lb. in B flat.

Valerie Watts .. .. *Treble* \*Christopher M. Sturgess .. .. 4  
 Arthur E. Rowley .. .. 2 John Watkins .. .. 5  
 \*Richard J. Clifton .. .. 3 Michael E. Brown .. .. *Tenor*

Conducted by Michael E. Brown.

\* 25th peal on these peals. † First in seven methods.

Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Christopher M. Sturgess.

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

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

*On Mon., Nov. 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt.

Shirley Harris .. .. *Treble* Raymond H. Daw .. .. 5  
 Wendy Daw .. .. 2 Cyril R. Burrell .. .. 6  
 George W. Massey .. .. 3 Ronald C. Noon .. .. 7  
 Denis Woods .. .. 4 Brian Harris .. .. *Tenor*

Composed by N. J. Pitstow.

Conducted by Ronald C. Noon.

A 21st birthday compliment to Wendy Daw, November 15th.

**SCOTHERN, Lincolnshire.**—At the Church of St. Germain.

*On Sat., Aug. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven extents in 11 methods, viz.: (1) Double Court, (2) Single Court, (3) Kent and Oxford T.B., (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Thelwall and Childwall, (6) Single Oxford, (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt, in G.

G. Angus Dixon .. .. *Treble* William R. Parker .. .. 4  
 Walter S. Smith .. .. 2 Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. 5  
 Charles V. Cade .. .. 3 Louis Willders .. .. *Tenor*

Conducted by G. Angus Dixon.

Rung for the Patronal Festival.

**THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

**EBBW VALE, Monmouthshire.**—At Christ Church.

*On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 25 cwt, 2 qr, 11 lb. in D.

\*Nicholas D. Evans .. .. *Treble* Roger J. King .. .. 5  
 Penelope J. Welch .. .. 2 M. Jack Pryor .. .. 6  
 Nicholas W. H. Simon .. .. 3 David J. Llewellyn .. .. 7  
 Thomas Yeomans .. .. 4 Brian J. Woodruffe .. .. *Tenor*

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.

Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

\* First peal of Major.

**THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.**

**CITY OF LONDON.**—At the Church of St. Olave, Hart Street.

*On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In six methods, comprising 1,600 London, 1,280 Rutland, 640 each of Bristol, Cambridge and Superlative, and 320 Yorkshire, with 110 changes of method. Tenor 11 cwt, 1 qr, 1 lb. in G.

Michael W. Coleman .. .. *Treble* \*Roger W. Powell .. .. 5  
 Diana M. Frost .. .. 2 \*†Richard O. Humphries .. .. 6  
 \*Anthony H. Smith .. .. 3 Edward F. P. Bryant .. .. 7  
 \*Anthony G. Tyers .. .. 4 Alan J. Frost .. .. *Tenor*

Composed by Albert J. Pitman.

Conducted by Edward F. P. Bryant.

\* First peal of Spliced. † 25th peal.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**LIMPSFIELD CHART, Surrey.**—At the Church of St. Andrew.

*On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being seven methods in seven extents: (1) Oxford Bob, (2) Oxford T.B., (3) Double Oxford Bob, (4) Cambridge Surprise, (5) St. Clement's Bob, (6) Kent T.B., (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt, 1 qr, 21 lb. in G.

Clive W. Simpson .. .. *Treble* John R. Ketteringham .. .. 4  
 Rosemary Rich .. .. 2 Peter M. Fleckney .. .. 5  
 Roger D. Bailey .. .. 3 Graham C. Paul .. .. *Tenor*

Conducted by Roger D. Bailey.

**NON-ASSOCIATION.**

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

*On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt.

Richard W. H. Hayes .. .. *Treble* F. Charles Hobson .. .. 5  
 John S. Rank .. .. 2 Ian G. Campbell .. .. 6  
 \*Keith Goldthorpe .. .. 3 David S. Johnson .. .. 7  
 Arthur B. Cooper .. .. 4 Brian D. Threlfall .. .. *Tenor*

Composed by J. W. Parker.

Conducted by Brian Threlfall.

\* First peal of Surprise Major.

Three of the ringers are members of the Ely Diocesan Association, and seven members of the Yorkshire Association.

**THE NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.**

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

*On Wed., Nov. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

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

Peter Woolven .. .. *Treble* Paul W. Webb .. .. 5  
 Ann Harris .. .. 2 David R. Ingram .. .. 6  
 \*John G. Hallett .. .. 3 John W. Coleman .. .. 7  
 Richard C. L. Brown .. .. 4 Edmund Shuttleworth .. .. *Tenor*

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by Richard C. L. Brown.

\* First peal of Surprise.

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

**MARSHAM, Norfolk.**—At the Church of All Saints.

*On Wed., Nov. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5152 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 7 cwt, 89 lb. in B.

Sidney Marshall .. .. *Treble* George P. Adams .. .. 5  
 \*Roy E. Cullington .. .. 2 Nolan Golden .. .. 6  
 H. William Barrett .. .. 3 David E. House .. .. 7  
 Kevin S. Hohl .. .. 4 Bert Gogle .. .. *Tenor*

Composed by Charles Middleton.

Conducted by Nolan Golden.

\* First peal of Surprise Major.



## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

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

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR

Nolan Golden .. .. .	Treble	Sidney Marshall .. .. .	5
Kevin S. Hohl .. .. .	2	*Timothy G. Pett .. .. .	6
Olive D. Tester .. .. .	3	H. William Barrett .. .. .	7
George P. Adams .. .. .	4	Colin A. Tester .. .. .	Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Nolan Golden.

\* First peal in the method. Tenor 22 cwt. 86 lb. in E flat.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

OXFORD.—At the Church of St. Ebbe.

On Thurs., Nov. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 BRAUNSTONE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 4 cwt.

*James F. List .. .. .	Treble	Charles Coles .. .. .	5
*Peter G. Holden .. .. .	2	Dermot J. Roaf .. .. .	6
Alan R. Pink .. .. .	3	D. Kay Adkins .. .. .	7
*Peter Pearce .. .. .	4	*Bertram J. Coggins .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

Conducted by D. Kay Adkins.

\* First peal in the method.

DEDDINGTON, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Tenor 17 cwt. 10 lb. in E.

Christopher C. Clarke .. .. .	Treble	William A. Yates .. .. .	5
Herbert H. Alexander .. .. .	2	Edward R. Venn .. .. .	6
James Linnell .. .. .	3	George W. Holland .. .. .	7
Charles E. Truman .. .. .	4	Ernest G. Jones .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by Sir A. F. Heywood.

Conducted by George W. Holland.

Rung in memoriam Herbert C. Edwards, of Stony Stratford.

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

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

*Paul R. Davis .. .. .	Treble	Mark W. Sayers .. .. .	5
*Diana Reeves .. .. .	2	Peter J. Heritage .. .. .	6
*Pamela E. Powell .. .. .	3	Michael W. Coleman .. .. .	7
*Charlotte A. Bennett .. .. .	4	Robert A. Reeves .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by John Reeves.

Conducted by Robert A. Reeves.

\* First peal. \* First of Major. † First in the method. First

as conductor. Tenor 24 cwt. 14 lb. in D.

Rung by the Sunday service band (except the ringer of the 6th), as a farewell to Mr and Mrs. H. L. Roper, who recently moved to Selby, Yorkshire. Mr. Roper was for many years captain of this tower. Also rung as a welcome to the Rev. J. P. Vyvyan, recently inducted as Vicar of Adderbury.

WITNEY, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., Nov. 16, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 3 qr. 17 lb.

*James F. List .. .. .	Treble	Peter D. Beedie .. .. .	5
Charles Coles .. .. .	2	Brian W. Hall .. .. .	6
Peter Pearce .. .. .	3	D. Kay Adkins .. .. .	7
*Peter G. Holden .. .. .	4	Bertram J. Coggins .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by H. G. Cashmore.

Conducted by D. Kay Adkins.

\* First peal of Surprise Major. † First of Surprise Major 'inside'.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

KETTERING, Northants.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5000 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL

Tenor 23 cwt. in D.

*Audrey M. Taylor .. .. .	Treble	Shelagh R. Collins .. .. .	6
*Ian W. Hall .. .. .	2	*Michael J. Staley .. .. .	7
*Sheila J. Staley .. .. .	3	*James Mitchell .. .. .	8
Geoffrey E. Watson .. .. .	4	Arthur Gibbs .. .. .	9
*John G. Mitchell .. .. .	5	Murray A. Coleman .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by William Willson.

Conducted by Murray A. Coleman.

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

## THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

TUNSTALL, Staffordshire.—At Christ Church.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Consisting of seven extents in four methods: (1) Cambridge Surprise. (2) Oxford T.B. (3, 4) Kent T.B. (5, 6, 7) Plain Bob.

I. Leslie Walley .. .. .	Treble	David J. Midgley .. .. .	4
*Madeleine McCallion .. .. .	2	Raymond J. Ballard .. .. .	5
G. Arnold Moore .. .. .	3	Philip W. Gay .. .. .	Tenor

Conducted by Philip W. Gay.

\* First peal of Minor. Tenor 12 cwt. 24 lb. in G.

## THE NATIONAL POLICE GUILD

FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Thurstans' Five-I-art.		Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb. in G.
Ex P.C. Richard Benson ..	Treble	Ex P.S. Edwin C. Birkett 5
Ex P.C. Sidney Hough ..	2	Ex P.S. Peter Crook, sen. 6
Inspector Hubert Richardson	3	*Det. Sgt. Charles Bell .. 7
Ex Insp. Thomas R. Butler	4	P.C. Richard Holt .. Tenor

Conducted by ex-P.S. Peter Crook, sen.

\* First peal of Grandsire Triples.

Rung as a compliment to Ex Insp. T. R. Butler who, after three years as President of the Guild, is retiring at the end of the year.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.  
BURTON-UPON-TRENT, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Paul.

On Sat., Oct. 31, 1964, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

No. 20.		Tenor 28 cwt. 2 qr. 9 lb. in D.
Geoffrey E. Watson .. .. .	<i>Treble</i>	Barrie Hendry .. .. . 6
Alan E. Hartley .. .. .	2	Robert L. Piron .. .. . 7
John F. Murfin .. .. .	3	Bernard G. North .. .. . 8
Murray A. Coleman .. .. .	4	Arthur Gibbs .. .. . 9
Malcolm E. Wade .. .. .	5	Bryan Pattison .. .. . <i>Tenor</i>
Composed by Charles J. Sedgley.		Conducted by Bryan Pattison.

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Conducted by Bryan Pattison.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

BRANT BROUGHTON, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Helen.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being eight extents each of Reverse St. Bartholomew, April Day and Plain Bob, two of Reverse Canterbury, ten of Grandsire and three Pitman's 240's.

Philip C. Pitchford .. .. .	Treble	Frederick Derry .. .. .	4
Margaret E. Chilton .. .. .	2	James H. Musson .. .. .	5
J. Edward Brown .. .. .	3	Frederick G. Hooper .. .. .	Tenor

Conducted by James H. Musson.

Rung half-muffled for Remembrance Day.

WILFORD, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Wilfrid.

On Wed., Nov. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In seven methods, being six extents each of Reverse Canterbury, Little Aston, Clifford's Pleasure, Kennington, Seighford, April Day and Plain Bob.

Robert D. Marsh .. .. .	Treble	Ruth Blackshaw .. .. .	3
S. Jane Dowse .. .. .	2	C. Raymond Larkin .. .. .	4

Maurice W. Harrison .. .. .

Conducted by C. Raymond Larkin.

KINGSTON-ON-SOAR, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Wilfrid.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents Kent T.B. and five extents Plain Bob.

Margaret E. Chilton .. .. .	Treble	Maurice W. Harrison .. .. .	4
*William L. Exton .. .. .	2	David Oliver .. .. .	5
Ruth Blackshaw .. .. .	3	Sydney Adams .. .. .	Tenor

Conducted by William L. Exton.

\* 200th peal (150th in Nottinghamshire, and 100th as conductor).

Rung as a compliment to Philip Hoyle and Mary E. Adams, on this their wedding day. Tenor 10 cwt. (approx.)

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

GRUNDISBURGH, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 RUTLAND SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 8 cwt. 23 lb. in G.

Peter G. Brown .. .. .	Treble	Patrick W. Saltmarsh .. .. .	6
Howard W. Egglestone .. .. .	2	Dennis A. S. Symonds .. .. .	7
Philip J. Rothera .. .. .	3	James L. Towler .. .. .	8
Claire Dillamore .. .. .	4	Joe E. G. Roast .. .. .	9
Andrew S. Hudson .. .. .	5	Ian R. Panton .. .. .	Tenor

Composed by Chas. J. Sedgley (Circuit AX).

Conducted by Joe E. G. Roast.

First of Surprise Royal in the method by all the band.

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## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

BECCLES, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Michael.  
On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Edwin R. Goate .. .. Treble	Thomas J. Brock .. .. 5
Norman P. J. Cossey .. 2	Peter Kindred .. .. 6
Freda P. Willgress .. 3	J. Barry Pickup .. .. 7
*Jan Margetts .. .. 4	Bevan W. Willgress .. .. Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.  
Conducted by Edwin R. Goate.  
\* First peal. Tenor 25½ cwt.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BURGESS HILL, Sussex.—At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist.  
On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Stanley G. Ponting .. .. Treble	Kenneth C. Knight .. .. 5
Edgar R. Rapley .. .. 2	Dennis L. Hall .. .. 6
*Norman J. Wright .. .. 3	W. Leslie Weller .. .. 7
Jean M. Hall .. .. 4	A. Patrick Cannon .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. F. Lewry.  
Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon.  
\* First peal of Major.

Rung as a compliment to Harry Gravett, 60 years a ringer at this church. Also to congratulate the Vicar, the Rev. F. A. Thompson, and Mrs. Thompson, on their silver wedding anniversary.

HELLINGLY, Sussex.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb. in F sharp.	
*Godfrey M. FitzHugh .. Treble	Frederick J. Lambert .. 4
Rosemary Earl .. .. 2	Robert W. R. Percy .. 5
Janet M. Percy .. .. 3	Alan R. Baldock .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Alan R. Baldock.

\* First peal of Minor.

Rung in honour of the birth of a daughter (Catherine Elizabeth Jane) to the Vicar, Rev. D. E. W. Lockyer, and Mrs. Lockyer.

CHIDDINGLY, Sussex.—At the Parish Church.

On Wed., Nov. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being 42 extents. Tenor 9 cwt. 15 lb. in G.	
Norah D. McCarthy .. Treble	Richard R. Kennard .. 4
Rev. Gerard Summergood .. 2	Alan R. Baldock .. .. 5
Helen C. Summergood .. 3	David J. Puttick .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Alan R. Baldock.

First peal by all the band except the conductor.

Rung in honour of the birth of a son (Guy Gerard) to the Vicar and Mrs. Summergood.

BECKLEY, Sussex.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents of Oxford T.B., two of Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.	
Valerie J. Howard .. Treble	*William Button .. .. 4
Derek Slater .. .. 2	Herbert W. Woolven .. 5
M. Peter Howard .. .. 3	John A. Howard .. .. Tenor

Conducted by John A. Howard.

\* 75th peal.

As a birthday compliment to Prince Charles and also for the birth of Andrew Mark Slater and the christening of Anthony David Howard.

## THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

SKETTY, Swansea, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Paul.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5152 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb. in F.	
*Edmund J. Morris .. Treble	Gwyn I. Lewis .. .. 5
*Penelope J. Welch .. 2	David J. Llewellyn .. 6
*Hazel Way .. .. 3	Roger J. King .. .. 7
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 4	Brian J. Woodruffe .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

\* First peal in the method. First of Double Norwich C.B. Major on the bells.

CADOXTON, Neath, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Catwg.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR

Seven extents. Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in B.	
*Edmund J. Morris .. Treble	J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 4
*Penelope J. Welch .. 2	Gwyn I. Lewis .. .. 5
*Hazel Way .. .. 3	Brian J. Woodruffe .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

\* First peal of London. First of London for the Guild.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

HIGHCLERE, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sun., Nov. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 27 lb. in G.	
Bradley Murduck .. Treble	Denby P. Murduck .. .. 5
Reginald W. Rex .. .. 2	Philip Murduck .. .. 6
Michael S. Holbrook .. 3	Geoffrey K. Dodd .. .. 7
Paul G. Holmes .. .. 4	Reginald F. Crook .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

Rung for the ringers' service.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

STUDLEY, Warwickshire.—At the Church of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. in G.	
*Roger H. Hunt .. Treble	†Eric Styler .. .. 4
†Richard H. Spray .. 2	John W. Perkins .. .. 5
Frederick C. Lyne .. 3	Ian C. Maycock .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Ian C. Maycock.  
\* First peal. † First 'inside.' ‡ First of Minor and 'inside.'

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

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

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two different extents of Kent T.B. and five of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. in F sharp.	
Ronald R. Warford .. Treble	Alan Sheppard .. .. 4
*Joan Hingley .. .. 2	Kenneth B. Sissons .. 5
David Sheppard .. .. 3	G. Frederick Terry .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Kenneth B. Sissons.  
\* First 'inside' of Kent T.B.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

CLEATHAM, Lincolnshire.—At Cleatham House Farm.

On Wed., Nov. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED MAJOR

In eight methods: Wellington Little Bob, Reverse Bob, Double Bob, Gainsborough Little Bob, Little Bob, Plain Bob, St. Clement's and Crayford College, with 306 changes of method. Tenor size 15 in E.	
Harry Poyner .. .. 1-2	A. Robin Heppenstall .. 5-6
George E. Feirn .. .. 3-4	Jack L. Millhouse .. 7-8

Arranged and Conducted by George E. Feirn.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

LONDON, S.E.—At the County Hall.

On Mon., Nov. 16, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5079 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor size 16.	
John Freeman .. .. 1-2	Dennis Beresford .. 5-6
Joan Beresford .. .. 3-4	Edwin A. Barnett .. 7-8
Wilfrid G. Wilson .. .. 9-10	

Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by John Freeman.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

BECCLES, Suffolk.—In the ringing chamber of the Campanile of the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Thurs., Nov. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 2 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being one extent each of St. Nicholas' Bob, Winchendon Place Bob, and Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Bob, three extents of Grandsire, 12 extents of St. Simon's Bob, eight extents of St. Martin's Bob, and 16 extents of Plain Bob. Tenor size 14 in D.	
H. William Barrett .. 1-2	Trevor N. J. Bailey .. 3-4
E. Charles Bailey .. .. 5-6	

Conducted by Trevor N. J. Bailey.

First peal in seven Doubles methods on handbells by all the band, in the county, and for the Guild.

## THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

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On Fri., Nov. 6, 1964, in 1 Hour and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 JERVAUX COLLEGE BOB MINOR

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.	
Hazel Way .. .. 1-2	Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3-4
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5-6	

First peal in the method.

On Mon., Nov. 9, 1964, in 1 Hour and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 WENLOCK COURT BOB MINOR

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.	
Hazel Way .. .. 1-2	Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3-4
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5-6	

First peal in the method.

On Sun., Nov. 15, 1964, in 1 Hour and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.	
Hazel Way .. .. 1-2	Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3-4
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5-6	

First peal in the method.

On Mon., Nov. 16, 1964, in 1 Hour and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SELKIRK COURT BOB MINOR

Seven different extents. Tenor size 14 in D.	
Hazel Way .. .. 1-2	Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) 3-4
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 5-6	

First peal in the method.

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SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE RINGERS. — The 80th anniversary dinner will be held in the Banqueting Room of The Royal Pavilion in Brighton, on Sat., Jan. 16th, 1965, at 6.30 for 7 p.m. Tickets, price 1 gn., available from W. L. Weller, Flagstones, St. Andrew's Hill, Billingshurst. 5864

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### MEETINGS

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD — Warwick Archdeaconry Dist. — Meeting at Hatton on Dec. 5th Bells 3 p.m., service 4.30, tea 5, bells after. — Names for tea to P. F. Bennett, College Farm, Bearsley, Stratford-on-Avon. 5842

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Ilkeston District. — Annual meeting at Ilkeston. Sat., Dec. 5th. Bells 3-8 p.m. Tea and business meeting 5 p.m. — D. J. Marshall. 5873

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD — Guildford District. — Nomination meeting at Womersley and Bramley, December 5th, Womersley bells 3 p.m., service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. W. Enticknap, Ockleigh, Guildford Road, Womersley. 5798

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION — Rochester District. — By-meeting at Frindsbury on Dec. 5th. Bells 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m. Tea for those who notify Mr. G. Philpott, 209, Cliffe Road, Strood, Rochester. — L. Mitchell, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5840

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY — Meeting at Ecclesfield, Saturday, December 5th. Bells from 2.45 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. L. Smith, 3, Park Crescent, Ecclesfield, please. — J. Seager, Sec. 5821

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. — Nottingham District. — Meeting Saturday, December 5th, Aspley, Bells (6) 3.30 p.m. Names for tea to Miss E. Smith, 18, Greendale Gardens, Aspley, Nottingham. 5834

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS AND MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION & LONDON DIO. GUILD. — Joint meeting will be held at Hendon on Saturday, December 5th. Service 4.45 p.m. with tea to follow. To ensure tea send names to Miss R. Foreman, 19, Finchley Court, Ballards Lane, N.3, or tel. FIN 3994. Ringing arrangements Pinner 2-3.15, Finchley 3-4.15, Hendon 3.15-4.45, Southgate 6.30-8. Will car drivers please offer lifts. — F. J. Matthews and T. J. Lock, Hon. Secs. 5803

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. — Annual dinner on Sat., Feb. 6th, 1965, at Church House, Great Smith Street, Westminster, S.W.1. Price 1 gn. Tickets available at joint meeting with Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild above 5861

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Practice meeting at St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube station). Mon., Dec. 7th, at 7 p.m. 5845

BARNESLEY DISTRICT SOCIETY. — Meeting at Hemsworth, nr. Pontifract, Sat., Dec. 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Cups of tea provided. Please bring food. — I. W. Baxton. 5868

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. — Axbridge Branch. — Practice at Burnham-on-Sea (8) Sat., Dec. 12th, at 5 p.m. — M. Legg, Hon. Sec. 5855

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. — Dunster Branch. — Annual meeting at Dunster (8), Sat., Dec. 12th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea provided for number notified by Dec. 8th. — A. R. Tudball. 5880

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. — Monthly meeting, Sat., Dec. 12th. Sutton-on-Hull (6), 2 p.m., until service at 4.15 p.m. Tea in Church Hall, 5 p.m. Evening ringing at Holy Trinity Church, Hull (12). Names for tea by previous Thursday to Mr. C. R. Robinson, 22, Lime Tree Avenue, Sutton-on-Hull. 5838

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Chesterfield District. — Annual District meeting at Bolsover, Dec. 12th. Bells (8) 3-4.30 and afterwards, Tea 4.30, followed by meeting and annual service. Names for tea, without fail please, to Mr. D. Cooper, 84, New Bolsover, Bolsover, Chesterfield. A good attendance please. — Malcolm Phinns, Sec. 5877

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Peak District. — Meeting at Burbage, Sat., Dec. 12th at 3 p.m. Cups of tea available. — G. Richardson, Dis. Sec. 5871

DEVONSHIRE GUILD. — Exeter Branch. — Annual meeting will be held at St. David's, Exeter, on Saturday, December 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Meeting following. — G. Skinner. 5670

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Cambridge District. — Meeting at Chesterton, Sat., Dec. 12th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. — B. D. Threlfall, Dis. Sec. 5872

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GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Cheltenham Branch. — Annual general meeting at Saturday, December 12th, at Cheltenham (12). Ringing at 3.15 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea (3s. 6d.), 5.15 p.m., to be followed by meeting at Church Hall and further ringing. Names to Cyril Wratten, 19, Ravensgate Road, Charlton Kings, for tea by Tuesday, December 8th. Bring your subscriptions! — J. B. T. Homfray, Hon. Branch Sec.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. — Bristol Rural Branch. — Annual meeting Mangotsfield, Sat., Dec. 12th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. Names for tea to T. Jefferies, 19, Black Horse Road, Mangotsfield. 5882

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. — Stroud Branch. — Annual branch meeting at Painswick, Dec. 12th. Bells (12) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea after service. Names by Dec. 8th to Mr. S. T. Price, 12, Regent Street, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire. 5881

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. — Swindon Branch. — Annual meeting, Dec. 12th. Christ Church (10). Ringing until 7.30 p.m. Names for tea to Luton, 169, Cheney Manor Road, Swindon. 5866

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — Leatherhead District. — Meeting at Christ Church, Epsom Common, Dec. 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. for those who notify Miss A. Gibson, 4, Ridgeway, Epsom, Surrey, by Dec. 9th. 5811

LADIES' GUILD. — Western District. — Quarterly meeting at Beckington, Dec. 12th. Bells (8) 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. Randall, Sandy Lane, Beckington. — M. de Jong. 5863

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Furness and Lake District Branch. — Meeting Dec. 12th at Barrow-in-Furness. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. E. Burles, 10, Red Ley Lane, Walney, Barrow-in-Furness. — J. F. Metcalfe, Branch Sec. 5849

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Preston Branch. — Meeting at Whittle-le-Woods, Sat., Dec. 12th, A 6 road. Names for tea, please, by Wed. 9th, to Mr. K. Stanton, 116, Preston Road, Whittle-le-Woods, Chorley. — L. Walmsley. 5879



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**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hinckley District.—Meeting Burbage, Sat., Dec. 12th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in the Old Schools 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous, please, to Mr. F. K. Measures, 58, Lydgate Lane, Burbage. Tel.: Burbage 516. —M. Vernon, Dis. Sec. 5859

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Loughborough District.—Monthly meeting Dec. 12th at Hugglescote. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea at Church schoolroom. Names for tea to Mr. H. O. Over, 130, Ashburton Road, Hugglescote, Coalville, Leicester. 5747

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**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.** — East Berks and South Bucks Branch. — Sat., Dec. 12th. Windsor. Bells 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Please send names for tea by 8th to Miss Hague, 6, Stompits Road, Holyport, Maidenhead. 5820

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.** — Daventry Branch.—Evening meeting at Kislingsbury, Sat., Dec. 12th. Ringing from 6.30 p.m. —F. W. Hancock. 5869

**ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD.** — Quarterly meeting at St. David's Cathedral, Sat., Dec. 12th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. Buckland, 9, The Pebbles, St. David's, Pembs.—R. Warburton. 5874

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Dorset Branch.—Annual meeting at Gillingham, Sat., Dec. 12th. Ringing 3 p.m. Guild office 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting after. Names by Wednesday, Dec. 9th, to Richard Longridge, Okeford Fitzpaine Rectory, Blandford. Tel.: Childe Okeford 311. 5852

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bingham District.—Meeting at Holme Pierrepont, Dec. 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by Wednesday previous to W. L. Exton, 'St. Ouen's,' Whatton. —R. Blackshaw. 5870

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Notts District.—Meeting at Babworth (6), Sat., Dec. 12th. Names for tea by 8th to Mr. H. Poyner, 9, Richmond Road, Retford. Please pay outstanding subscriptions.—H. Denman. 5875

**SUFFOLK DISTRICT.**—North West District.—Practice meeting at Ixworth (6), Sat., Dec. 12th. Bells from 6.30 to 9 p.m.—A. F. Ballam, Dis. Sec. 5853

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.** — Joint meeting of Western and Northern Divisions on Sat., Dec. 12th, at Pulborough (8). Bells from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. and tea at the Rose and Crown at 5 p.m. Essential to notify for tea by Wednesday, Dec. 9th to R. Wake, 28, Keynor Estate, Sidlesham, Chichester. Tel.: Sidlesham 325. 5856

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.** — Western District.—Quarterly meeting, please note change of date, Saturday, December 12th. Bells available are Bramley (3-5 p.m.) and Armley (6.30-7.45 p.m.). Names for tea by December 2nd to Mr. D. Cox, 39, Bell Lane, Bramley, Leeds 13. Practice methods: Double Norwich C.B.M. and Ashtead S.M.—R. J. Lumley, Hon. Dis. Sec. 5831

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.** — Western Branch.—Evening meeting at Fakenham on Wed., Dec. 16th. Bells (8) available from 6.30.—C. Tovell. 5883

**GIRLS!!** Come to our annual 'Ladies' Evening,' held by the Hatfield Guild of Bachelors on Thurs., Dec. 17th. Meet in the saloon bar of 'White Hart,' Hatfield, Herts at 9 p.m. Transport home provided.—E. Edmundson, Hon. Sec. 5862

**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD.** — Winchester District.—Quarterly at Old Alresford, Dec. 19th, at 2.30 p.m. Names for tea by Monday previous to J. Huggins, 3, Green Close, Old Alresford, Hants. 5865

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.** — Eastern District.—Quarterly meeting at Snaith (8), Sat., Dec. 19th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in Old Grammar School, Snaith at 5 p.m. Bring own food, cups of tea provided. Carlton bells (6) available 6.15 to 8.45 p.m. Buses run hourly from Selby and Goole.—H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec.

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**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western District.—December meeting at King's Langley, Saturday, 12th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea. Names to Mr. B. Baker, 7, Watford Road, King's Langley. No name no tea.—R. Sheppard.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

### Marlborough Branch

Encouraging reports were presented at the annual meeting of the Marlborough Branch on November 21st at Marlborough. Mr. T. A. Palmer, secretary, said good progress had been made. Ten monthly meetings were held and a successful outing to the Chichester area.

The Ringing Master (the Rev. R. Keeley) reported that two peals and 16 quarters had been scored. Sunday service ringing had been revived at Ogbourne St. George, and three successful outings had been arranged, mainly to give younger members practice in other towers.

Mr. Keeley said he hoped in the coming year to increase these meetings, encourage better striking, persuade younger members to take up conducting and if the necessary financial support could be found to send younger members on a course of instruction.

Miss Jennifer Green, of East Kennett, was presented with a proficiency certificate.

Officers elected were: Mr. G. Newman, chairman; Mr. T. A. Palmer, secretary; the Rev. R. Keeley, Ringing Master; Captain J. D. Mansfield-Robinson, Braheh representative and assistant secretary; Mr. D. Lee, vice-chairman. Thirteen new members were elected. The business meeting followed tea in the Church Hall, which was prepared by the ladies of St. Mary's belfry. The service in St. Mary's Church was conducted by Canon F. Browne, a lesson being read and a short address given by Mr. Keeley. Ringing was resumed after the meeting until 8 p.m.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

### Ashford District

About 30 people were present for the service and tea at High Halden, with its 13th century all-wooden tower, when the Ashford District met there on November 21st.

The service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. A. R. Gore-Brown), who gave an address. Mrs. Knight was at the organ, and the choir gave their services. Tea was enjoyed in the Village Hall, where the cost was largely borne by Mr. J. Burden, captain of the local ringers, and the catering done by Mrs. Burden.

Mr. J. Willis was chairman for the business meeting. Members stood in silence for a moment out of respect for Mr. Walter Everett, captain of the St. Mary's, Ashford, band for over 60 years and District Master for 30 years, who had died that morning. Seven new members were elected to the Association. It was decided to look up particular methods for future meetings, and Little Bob was agreed for the next one.

Mr. Bernard Marks reported that the bells of Brabourne had now gone to the foundry, and that £700 was raised by the church Son et Lumiere Festival in aid of the Bell Restoration Fund—a magnificent effort for such a small village. Mr. Marks also expressed the thanks of the visitors to the Rector, the organist, the choir and Mr. and Mrs. J. Burden.

Afterwards ringing continued on the six bells (tenor 13 cwt) until 9 o'clock, under the direction of the Ringing Master, Mr. Alan Berry. C. T. H.

The Dean of Guildford (Bishop G. Clarkson) was the guest of honour at the annual dinner of the Guildford Diocesan Guild last Saturday, when a company of 120 spent a very enjoyable evening. On behalf of the Guild, the Master (Mr. Douglas May) presented the Dean with a copy of 'The Sound of Bells,' Guildford Cathedral bells are to be a facsimile of Washington Cathedral's, which are recorded on the record which accompanies the book. A report of the proceedings will appear in our next issue.

**RUDDINGTON, NOTTS.**—On Nov. 5th, 1,260 Grandshire Doubles: A. Simpson 1, R. Blackshaw 2, M. Harrison 3, D. Oliver 4, S. Adams (cond.) 5, E. Humphreys 6. To welcome the birth of a daughter to the tenor ringers.



**Four Quarters of Plain Bob Major**

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1,280				
23456	W	B	M	H
52364	—	1	—	—
34256	S	—	—	S
53264	S	1	—	—
42365	—	—	—	—
34265	—	—	—	—

25346	—	—	—	S
43256	—	—	—	S
42356	—	—	—	S

32645	S	—	—	—
24356	S	1	—	S
23456	—	—	—	S

1,296				
23456	W	B	M	H
32564	—	1	—	S
53264	—	—	—	—
24365	—	—	—	S
32465	—	—	—	—

25346	—	2	—	—
34256	—	—	—	—
32456	—	—	—	S

25364	S	1	—	S
43256	—	—	—	—
24356	—	—	—	—
23456	—	—	—	S

1,440				
23456	W	B	M	H
23564	—	1	—	—
36246	—	1	—	—
24365	—	—	—	—
32465	—	—	—	—
62354	S	1	—	—
32456	—	—	—	—

Repeated.

1,280					
23456	W	5/4	B	M	H
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42356					
25346	X				
32465		1			

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## RINGERS AND RINGING IN THE EIGHTEENTH CENTURY

By CYRIL W. HANCOCK

HAVING noticed in 'The Ringing World' recently that the Annual Dinner of the Society of Rambling Ringers would take place on December 5th, it occurred to the writer that some inquiry into the activities of their predecessors of exactly 230 years ago might be interesting and rewarding. I refer, of course, to the Rambling Club of Ringers who flourished in London, 1733-35.

Some account of this club is given in the late Ernest Morris's 'History and Art of Change Ringing' but as this book has been out of print for some years, these notes may be of interest. There is still preserved a manuscript account of the activities of the club, compiled by William Laughton, one of the members, and, by courtesy of the City of London Guildhall Library, I have perused this. It is a slim volume about 9 inches by 6 and the handwriting somewhat crabbed, being probably done with a quill pen, and entitled 'Remarks on a Rambling Club of Ringers and their performances giving an account of all their meetings from first to last, wherein may be seen the famous exploits which have been done in the art of ringing by that worthy body of men.'

The flyleaf bears the inscription of James Wakefield, of Romford, Essex, having apparently come into his possession on October 28th, 1799. There is what Laughton describes as a 'Diddication' to Mr. George Carbery, another member of the Club, stating that a Company made an agreement to 'ring at all the peals of 3-4-5 and 6 in the City of London, likewise to ring upon eight bells and divert ourselves with a peal if our fancies should lean that way.' The Club was founded with seven members at the 'Bell' in Angel Alley, Little Moorfields, in 1733 and grew to 42 at the time of its dissolution on March 8th, 1735. All their names are given including three 'odd' members, one of whom is described as 'Gunsmith in Ordinary to the Company.' One wonders what his function could have been! It would have been interesting to have known the trade or profession of each member, but unfortunately this is not given.

There were fifty meetings in all, each of which is described by Laughton in what one can only call doggerel verse, a sample of which is as follows:

'St. Olave Hart Street next comes in  
Two 700s we there did ring  
One College Single, the other Plain  
Bob, if so please, that is the name.'

In spite of his execrable versifying, William Laughton was obviously quite an intelligent man, as in some of the accounts he gives a description of the church they were visiting and its monuments. Not all the meetings were for ringing—some were merely social occasions and, as will be seen later, a good time was had by all. It is not possible in a short article to include all the meetings, so reference will only be made to those of more than usual interest.

At St. Peter le Poer, Broad Street (demolished 1896), the ringers were 'by a saucy sexton vex't'—a lady who is described in terms which I regretfully decided would not escape the Editor's blue pencil. However, they 'brought her haughty stomach down' by seeking the churchwarden and getting the keys from him. Actually, ringing was not confined to the City and excursions were made into what were then outlying villages.

On one visit to St. John at Hackney, they found that the bells went very badly and ropes continually slipped wheel but they

did not reckon it a waste of time, as there was no church near town in such a delightful setting of gardens, orchards and corn-fields. This reads strangely today but it is a fact that many wealthy City merchants had houses in this district.

Very different was a journey to St. Mary, Rotherhithe (6), when the band took boat and returned in the same way. At this date there were hundreds of Thames watermen plying for hire with their wherries from the various stairs. Here 700 of Plain Bob were rung and eighteen score of Treble Bob, after which the company refreshed themselves at Milk Alley, Wapping, with bacon and beans and leg of mutton with 'colly flower.' Then, according to custom, they drank a dram and smoked a pipe and each man told a tale or sang a song. It must have been a convivial scene.

On another occasion they rambled to Walthamstow across Hackney Marshes by footpaths through fields of rye, wheat, peas, beans and oats, the rye in places growing higher than their heads. There must now be many hundreds of acres of wonderfully fertile soil lying under bricks and mortar. A few fields away from St. Mary's, Walthamstow, was a gentleman's country seat, about which Laughton waxed almost lyrical in describing the orchard of apples, cherries, pears and plums, with 'apricocks' growing against the wall. The ringing here consisted of two 700s of Plain Bob.

Another rural expedition was to Mitcham where their venue was the 'Stag's Head.' Dinner consisted of beef, bacon, cabbage, etc. and each man had a half quartern of brandy to his stout, after which 700 Cambridge was rung. They must have had strong heads in those days, as after ringing there was a return visit to the 'Stag's Head' before finally setting off for home. We are told that on reaching Streatham two members of the party were so fatigued that they lay all night at the 'Five Bells'—one suspects that they were the worse for wear after so much solid and liquid refreshment. The remainder trudged on through Brixton, though two were fortunate enough to get a lift in a gentleman's coach—an early form of hitch-hiking!

Christ Church, Spitalfields, a fine church by Nicholas Hawksmoor, was a favourite tower, as no less than six visits were paid. Here, says Laughton, we were among the Frenchmen, a reference to the Spitalfields weavers, many of whom were of Huguenot origin. On Christmas Eve, 1734, the band rang 700 Cambridge on the back six, the first they claimed since the bells were hung in the steeple.

They were again at Christ Church on December 27th, 1734, when 720 Morning Exercise was the method and the chronicler aptly remarks 'There's nothing like ringing of a peal, to prepare a stomach for a meal.'

On St. Dunstan, Stepney, his comment is: 'The bells were charming, smooth and nice, not "ruff" and hard like Spitalfields.' At Holy Trinity, Minories, which had three bells, they rang 'fourteen dozen of sixes and raised and lowered without a stand.' We are told that here the ropes were so small that they cut the ringers' hands, and as there were no sallies they had to be marked with chalk in order to know where to catch.

All Hallows, Tottenham, bells received favourable comment, the tenor being 'as good a bell as e'er was made' and cast by Philip Whiteman in 1696. Regrettably, we are told that whilst six went to ring, five others went to a 'boozing ken' where thirteen quarterns of gin were consumed. Here they met two charming girls 'but their mothers kept a watchful eye. That none should slip out bye and bye,' which was very wise of them, as in view of Laughton's further candid verse, the ringers' intentions were scarcely honourable. It would appear that hand-

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## Guildford Cathedral Bells a Facsimile of Washington's

The ten bells ordered for Guildford Cathedral are to be a facsimile of those installed at Washington Cathedral this year. This was announced at the annual dinner of the Guildford Diocesan Guild, held at Newlands Corner Hotel on November 28th.

The principal guest was the Dean of Guildford (Bishop George Clarkson) who was accompanied by his sister, Mrs. Braithwaite. In order that the Dean might hear the bells of his Cathedral, the Master (Mr. D. A. R. May), who presided, presented him with a copy of Edgar C. Shepherd's book, 'The Sound of Bells.' The bells of Washington Cathedral are included on the record that goes with the book. The Master was accompanied by his wife and with them sat the Immediate Past Master (Mr. C. W. Denyer) and Mrs. Denyer, Mr. F. E. Collins, who acted at toastmaster, and Mrs. Collins, who acted Harold Pitstow, who was one of the ten ringers who crossed the Atlantic to ring at Washington Cathedral. A company of 120 was present.

The Dean proposed the toast of 'The Church and the Ringing Exercise,' and said that since their last dinner they had received an extremely nice gift so that they had been able to give the order for the bells. They had received a guarantee from Messrs. Mears and Stainbank that they would be able to ring the bells on May 17th, and he hoped Guild members would ring them, because it would be disastrous if they had the bells and no ringers.

Later he would discuss with their Master the arrangements for the bells to be rung on that occasion. The Dean said he understood that with their bells the people of Guildford would hear the same sounds as those made by bells rung in Washington Cathedral. 'I am not too pleased,' said the Dean, 'about marching side by side with America in all things. I have no doubt that Mr. Wilson will put things right when he goes over next week.'

### RINGERS RAISE £1,500

'The final gift was one of great munificence for mercies given to Brig. Schriber and his family. It means that we can get the bells quicker. You have raised £1,500 towards the making of the peal, and for that we cannot express our gratitude too highly. But what is as important as the gift of money is the way the ringers of the diocese have been behind the idea of the ring of bells and been very active in working for them.'

'In the modern way people think about the Church, they say the bells are a luxury and why waste money on a thing like them? I am quite certain if it had not been for the enthusiasm of the ringers we should never have had a ring in the Cathedral. Support has come from all over the diocese, and I have never been in a position before to say to the ringers: "I am grateful to you for your enthusiasm and support behind this which has been so successful." So we shall ring with great joy, and we hope the Diocesan Guild will carry on until we can train a band of our own and that will take a long time.'

### CATHEDRAL FINANCES

About the Cathedral itself, Dr. Clarkson said they would like to know the present position. Speaking in round figures they had spent £900,000 on the building, which was at one time guaranteed to cost not more than £250,000. They had done it in 30 years, but for a lot of that time, because of the war and the housing problem afterwards, they did nothing. Of that £900,000, they had borrowed, sometimes with interest, £26,000; some by mortgage with the Church Commissioners £30,000; and with a bank overdraft of £20,000. In May, 1963, they asked for £300,000 to be raised in five years; now 18 months after they were asking for £160,000. They had moved fairly quickly.

They were now slowing down because of the winter and also funds. They were hoping to find someone to build the great north garth. Next May they hoped to dedicate the Chapter House and the south-west porch. They would also dedicate the organ case which would make it look more handsome—it was given



So that the Dean of Guildford will be able to hear his bells in advance, the Master (Mr. D. A. R. May) presents him with the record book 'Sound of Bells,' written by Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd.

Photo courtesy 'Guildford Times.'

by the same person who gave the organ. The Chapter House had also been given by one person.

'We are on the move; we are optimistic and we are getting on quite nicely. We have some wills which have been made in our favour, but thank God we don't wish for deaths so soon as we did a few years ago.'

The Dean said his sister and himself remembered the village where they were born. They lived opposite the ancient church that had three crazy, cracked, toneless bells. Finally, they were replaced by eight splendid bells, some of the best that had ever come from Taylors of Loughborough. They all felt, with the new bells, that they were in a new church and many more people were gathered into the congregation and came to worship God.

### PRESTIGE AND CONFIDENCE FROM BELLS

'I am sure our experience is the experience of others that where the equipment of the tower is good and the bells are manned by a proper team, it gives the church some sort of prestige and gives the people some sort of confidence. To all you ringers the Church is tremendously grateful that you are willing to submit yourselves to ringing regularly on Sundays and practices,' he said. Ringing was a physical exercise that made men look strong and girls look slimmer, but above all that it was a splendid service to God.

Mr. F. G. Sherwood, of Ash (Guild auditor), in reply, said it was a great pleasure for them to welcome the Dean and Mrs. Braithwaite to their dinner for the first time. He hoped they would meet them both much more frequently once the Cathedral bells were installed. Their title, 'Guildford Diocesan Guild of Church Bellringers,' was a constant reminder that they were an integral part of the Church and were bound by its teachings. Without the Church their art would be completely non-existent.

Their Guild was formed about the same time as the diocese, and it would be fair

comment to say that although it had had its ups and downs, it had never really looked back. This had been due to the skill and enthusiasm of the founder members and officers over the years. It was also due, in no small measure, to the encouragement and support the ringers received from the clergy, and this was reinforced by a Bishop who actively supported his ringers and enjoyed bells.

With regard to the Cathedral bells, he understood they were very similar to the ten that had recently been opened at Washington. 'The Ringing World' had been full of praise for them, so they were hoping that in addition to being the heaviest ring in the diocese they would be one of the finest tens in the country. As a general rule courses and touches on ten bells took rather longer than on six or eight. They, therefore, hoped that there would be sufficient time to ring for services.

### A GOOD STANDARD

Mr. Sherwood suggested that they should ring for a Sunday afternoon service, since it might be some time before they had a resident band at the Cathedral, and this would enable ringers to get back to their own towers for Evensong. 'We will endeavour to set a good standard of ringing, but this can only be accomplished by regular practice preferably with some peals thrown in. At the same time we must not prevent the younger and less experienced ringers from having a pull since it is only by encouraging the young that the Guild can continue to progress.'

The Guild secretary, Mr. S. Russell, proposed the concluding toast, 'To the Memory of John S. Goldsmith and Other Officers and Members of the Guild.'

Besides the book presentation to the Dean a bouquet was presented to Mrs. Braithwaite by Mrs. Jill May.

Mr. F. E. Collins proposed a vote of thanks to the Master and his committee for arranging the dinner. A touch of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells by Major E. Brage 1—2, K. Williamson 3—4, T. Page 5—6, W. H. Viggers 7—8. The evening concluded with dancing.



## FIRST PEAL ON REHUNG BELLS AT MELBOURNE

After being away for more than a year, the returned and rehung bells at St. Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne, Victoria, were rededicated on October 4th. At the invitation of the captain of the St. Paul's Society, Graeme Hayes, two parties of ringers from inter-state converged on Melbourne on November 21st and together with some of the local band re-christened the bells with a peal of 5,201 Grandsire Caters.

Two ringers came down from Sydney—Enid Roberts and Tom Goodyer (who conducted the peal)—and four came across from Adelaide—Brian Cox, Ron Russ, David Bleby and Bill Pitcher. The other four in the band were Ken Minchinton, Robin Turner (an English ringer recently arrived in Australia), Harold McDonald and Hervey Bagot (who has moved to Melbourne from Canberra). The bells went very well indeed and sounded well with masses of good Caters music being introduced in each part. The following two points are of interest: it was Harold McDonald's first touch of Grandsire Caters and David Bleby had never seen more than eight ropes in a tower before he stood in the peal.

The following day the visitors and some of the Melbourne ringers, joined by Gordon Dickens, a visiting seafaring ringer off the M.V. 'Bendigo,' drove up to Ballarat (it was on the way home for the Adelaide party anyway). A peal of Stedman Triples was attempted at the City Hall, but fortune was not with us and it came to grief. This failure was partially redeemed by the success of a quarter of Cambridge Surprise Major (conducted by Tom Goodyer), rung after the breakdown of the Stedman.

The visitors would like to thank their hosts in Melbourne and Ballarat for a very enjoyable week-end, and in particular Graeme and Beverley Heyes and Warne and Wilma Wilson for the hospitality they extended us in their homes.

W. P. B.

## RINGERS AND RINGING IN THE 18th CENTURY

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bell ringing was also indulged in, as they met at the 'George,' Houndsditch, were several courses of Caters and one of Triples were rung but the method is not stated.

A second visit was paid to St. John at Hackney, where the bells were found to be in much better order and 700 Cambridge was rung in memory of Queen Elizabeth's accession and Queen Mary's death. After dining at the 'Rising Sun,' the ringers set off at 10 at night, with two links before them to give them light. A halt was made at Spitalfields for further refreshment but they got into an argument with the French landlord and his wife about the reckoning. Two shillings a pint for brandy and 3d. a pot for beer was considered excessive and after some squabbling they paid what they thought proper and continued on their way.

At St. Bartholomew the Less, another three-bell tower, they rang seventeen dozen and a half of sixes and adjourned to the 'Cock and Crown.' This was a famous house for birds (the feathered variety), the landlord being a noted breeder and cages hung everywhere over the heads of the customers. The cruel practice of keeping wild birds in cages was very prevalent at this time.

The bells of St. Lawrence by Guildhall earned high praise—'For no better bells can be found, were you to search all England round'—700 College Single were rung on the back six. Then to another merry evening at Angel Alley till 1 a.m. for 'to break up before that time is scorned.' Some of the Ramblers were certainly married and one wonders what their wives' reactions were to this behaviour.

Conditions in the belfry of St. Giles', Cripplegate, were evidently somewhat primitive, as the band had to ring by the light of candles stuck to the wall with daubs of clay. Laughton makes the very sensible suggestion that every steeple should have a branch of candles hung

in the middle, to advance higher or lower with a counterweight.

On Shrove Tuesday, 1735, the Club rang their last 'peal' of 700 Union Bob at Christ Church, Spitalfields. They had evidently incurred some criticism from other ringers during their existence, for frequent reference is made in Laughton's journal to 'snarling critics,' chiefly one gainer for introducing variety of methods and ringing at different towers each time.

Their fiftieth and final meeting took place at the 'Bell in Angel Alley, where it all began. William Laughton was the host on this occasion and records that he gave for supper 'roasted shoulder of veal and two plum puddings.' The veal weighed 18½ pounds and was stuffed with the common sort of stuffing. We may safely assume that this nostalgic event followed the usual jovial pattern.

In addition to the methods already mentioned, the following were rung at various times: Grandsire, Old Doubles, New Doubles, 'Simonus Doubles, Cambridge Delight, Court Bob and Oxford Treble Bob. The only full peals rung were three of 5,040 Plain Bob Major at St. Mary Magdalen's, Bermondsey, St. Andrew's, Holborn, and St. Giles', Camberwell, respectively.

Among the City churches visited, several have ceased to exist, viz: St. Benet Fink (6) demolished for the building of the new Royal Exchange, St. Mary Axe (6) date of demolition unknown, All Hallows, Staining (6) demolished 1870 except the tower, and Holy Trinity, Minorities (3) closed 1899 and destroyed by enemy action in 1941.

No doubt the members of the Rambling Club are open to criticism by present day standards for their preoccupation with food and drink and their general behaviour, but I do not think we should judge them too harshly. They were enthusiasts and there was a spirit of comradeship amongst them, much as exists today.

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## Letters to the Editor

### Challenge of Atheist

Dear Sir,—It was with regret that I received my copy of 'The Ringing World' of November 27th, and read the letter on page 800 headed 'Christianity and Bellringing,' and signed Sincerely, O. A. M., atheist.

I should like to ask this sincere atheist to be sincere and to have the courage to admit who he is, instead of signing the letter in this anonymous fashion.

For centuries bells have been part of the worship of the Catholic Church and have proclaimed to all who hear them that the sacred hour or moment has arrived and is calling them to the common worship of Almighty God. It is obvious therefore that those who ring them are performing to the best of their skill an act of worship acceptable to Almighty God, much the same as that given by choir and servers.

Sunday service ringing is a tradition, a Christian tradition, and an act of worship. I'm quite sure that those who ring the bells of my own parish church Sunday by Sunday are sincere Christians ringing the consecrated bells to the glory of Almighty God, the maker and creator of all men.

With regard to the second half of this letter. Has O. A. M. considered the possibility that these people whom he claims are for ever falling out might be fellow atheists? I'm surprised that he is even able to come to a conclusion about this, he appears to be travelling around such a lot.

No Christian claims to be perfect, but just human. Jesus Christ Himself was alone perfect. Perfect God and perfect man; every Christian strives to follow the example of his Saviour and to love his neighbour as himself. Christ came not to call the righteous but sinners to repentance.

You may not need to be a Christian to ring bells, but you do need to believe in God to worship Him in ringing bells consecrated to His glory.—Yours in the faith of Jesus Christ,

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Lewisham, S.E.

### Christianity and Ringing

Dear Sir,—O. A. M. answered his own question: 'Does one have to be a Christian to be a campanologist,' for he says he is a keen ringer and signs himself 'Atheist.' But he is in error in thinking that because people fall out with each other—to use his own words—they cannot then be involved in a Christian movement. Alas, the history of Christianity itself disproves it, from St. Paul right through the centuries to our present unhappy divisions.

It is no wonder, therefore, that activities connected with the Church should be prone to similar strife, bickering and disagreement amongst their members. The work of Christ is carried forward by imperfect instruments, but we are all He has.

Regarding ringing and worship, if I may quote from a letter I wrote to you on this subject more than 25 years ago: 'True worship has God as the central figure, and organ, choir and ringing are meant but to prepare our minds thither. However sincerely we, as ringers, strive to live up to the pattern of Christ, our thoughts while we are ringing are centred on the method and the striking, the co-ordination of mind and muscle in an agreeable pursuit.'

In this sense, ringing is not worship in itself, but those of us who profess and call ourselves Christians ought to strive to be better people, and therefore to be better bricklayers, chemists, labourers—and ringers.

Finally, and with all charity, I hope O. A. M. knows plenty of rich atheists willing to 'build separate places for bells to be hung,' so that he will not have to rely on bells which have been dedicated to the glory of God.—Yours faithfully,

L. J. MALINGS.

Porthkerry, Glam.

### Read with Horror

Dear Sir,—I read Atheist's letter in your issue of November 27th with horror, and if I thought that his statement that 'ringing is not in any way connected with the Church and the worship of God' to be true I would give up church bell ringing tomorrow.

I may not have his talent or experience, but have no hesitation in saying that 99 per cent of my ringing colleagues are good, practising Christians, who are proud of their calling.

We have recently had a ring of six bells installed and dedicated in our church here, and a young band of ringers have been recruited from members of the church; heaven forbid that they should be indoctrinated with Atheist's view—if he wants to ring for the local bingo session let him do so.

Church bells and church bell ringing is a particularly British tradition—is there any other country in the world like it? No, sir, we are proud of our country, its churches and its bells, and I hope that churches to be built in the future will be in traditional style and materials, with provision made for bell towers.

In conclusion, I am proud to be a member of that large and happy fraternity who ring for the Church and to the glory of God. Further, I am not ashamed to sign my name.—Yours faithfully,

DONALD A. FRANKS.

Radlett, Herts.

### Would prefer 'Rabbits'

Dear Sir,—Your 'Sincere Atheist' seems to jump to the conclusion that most ringers are like himself, out for amusement only. Figures would be more convincing and might surprise him.

Of course church bell ringers regard their art as a hobby (dictionary gives 'a favourite pursuit or subject'), otherwise they would not devote sufficient time to it to become proficient. This does not preclude their regarding it as a form of worship.

I believe there are only very few ringers who do not belong to one of the affiliated Guilds, none of these can honestly deny the purpose of his membership.

Bells did not get into church towers by 'tradition,' but by the generosity and devotion of our forebears, who felt it their duty to dip into their pockets to ensure that worthy praise was given to God, for a long time ahead.

O. A. M. suggests building secular towers for 'campanologists.' Very well, where are the funds? True, there are a few secular rings (10 in Dove against 5,438 church rings), but there doesn't seem to be any glut of new building of more.

As to the criticising those who through human weakness fall out (devout and thinking people are the most likely to disagree), your correspondent is careful to cite only instances where the miscreants eventually returned. Perhaps O. A. M. would read the parable of the 'Prodigal Son,' and draw an appropriate conclusion. I know something of the heartsearchings brought about by clashes of personalities, having, for some years, been the secretary of the band of one of our great cathedrals. (This letter is not to be construed as having any connection with that office, which I relinquished more than a year ago.) All I am trying to emphasise is that it takes conviction to retrace once's steps away from any community.

There is quite a plain answer to your correspondent's last paragraph. Simply 'No,' but of what use are campanologists who are without purpose? I would rather work with a bunch of inept but faithful 'rabbits' than with the most skilled of campanologists who care nothing for the God whose cymbals they presume to clash.—Yours faithfully,

W. O. HAYTHORNE.

Thornhill, Southampton.

P.S.—There was once a tower called Babel, was there ever a peal rung there?—W. O. H.

### Bells for a Wedding

Dear Sir,—In respect of the article on page 802, if people want bells for their wedding, let them get married where there are bells and pay the ringers.

If they merely want a wedding on the cheap, why not have a standard gramophone record of the whole outfit and save the fees of the parson, clerk, organist, choir, heating and lighting and flowers, and bells!

Why pick on synthetic bells only?—Yours etc., 'PURIST.'

### Peal at Geddington

Dear Sir,—With reference to B. F. Morris' letter (page 776) it has occurred to me that either a printing error has resulted in the reporting of the peal, or that the above mentioned has no right to question the word of such a worthy conductor. I have had the good fortune to ring with the conductor and I am sure his high standard has not deteriorated in such a short time, and that any ring of five would not prove too much for Maurice W. Harrison and his worthy band.—Yours faithfully,

Sturry, Kent.

P. A. HARRISON.

### Corrections to Touches

Dear Sir,—I would like to make a few corrections to the touches submitted by Mr. G. E. Symonds on page 781:

- (a) The second quarter peal of Bob Major has 1,280 changes.
- (b) The first touch of Stedman Caters has 87 changes.
- (c) The second touch of Stedman Caters has 213 changes.
- (d) The second course of the 287 Grandsire Caters should read 42563879 — 2S, 3.
- (e) The first course of the 377 Grandsire Caters should read 63254 — 1, 4S; and the third course (24563) — 9 in 3.

In making these corrections may I appeal to all those who send copy to 'The Ringing World' to read through and check everything before posting. One is becoming tired of reading almost every week that 'Mr. X. rang the third in such and such a peal and not Mr. Y., as published.' Just as irritating are the minor errors, such as a wrong tenor weight. Most of these errors are of no great importance, but they are unnecessary, are very annoying to those concerned, and make for inaccurate records.—Yours faithfully,

Isleworth, Middlesex, C. H. ROGERS.

### SUFFOLK GUILD

A most enjoyable meeting of the South-East District was held at Ashbocking on November 28th. The delightful ring of six was rung to a wide range of methods during the afternoon. Probably the most encouraging aspect to the 45 present was the large proportion of youngsters of school age ringing methods up to Cambridge Surprise. Evensong was conducted by the Rector (Rev. H. W. Johnson), and the singing was accompanied on the organ by Miss Anne Beecroft. A bountiful tea prepared by the local ladies followed.

At the business meeting nine new ringing members were elected: five Ashbocking, four Bramford, and three being reinstated after a lapse of several years. Five new ringers from Holbrook were elected as probationers. It was agreed that the meetings for 1965 should be held as follows: March 13th, Henley (A.G.M.); June 12th, Blaxhall and Tunstall; September 11th, Coddham; December 11th, Holbrook and Stutton.

The District Ringing Master (Mr. Howard Egglestone), replying to a remark that there had not been many practice meetings recently, said he felt that the learners in the District were now being well catered for in their own towers and that methods were being rung which were the extent of their capabilities.

The Guild Ringing Master (Mr. George W. Pipe) mentioned the importance of ringing on Christmas morning and said he hoped that members would make a supreme effort to man as many towers as possible at this time.

After votes of thanks, ringing was enjoyed at Otley until 9 p.m.



## SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL

*Quarter Peals for 90th Birthday, rung on Nov. 30th, 1964, unless stated otherwise*

**ABINGDON, BERKS.**—1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. I. Rowson (cond.) 1, Barbara F. Banks (first quarter) 2, Kirsty Grant 3, R. P. Poole 4, Heather A. Alford 5, W. A. Smith 6.

**BIGGIN HILL, KENT.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Barbara Orlopp (11) 1, Mrs. B. Stocker 2, H. M. Williamson (cond.) 3, R. C. Kift 4, Mrs. B. van-Aselt 5, K. Rundie (15) 6. First quarter 1 and 6.

**CANNOCK, STAFFS.**—1,260 Grandsire Doubles (with 7, 6, 8 covering): Susan Lloyd (first quarter) 1, Shelagh C. Guthrie 2, Lynda Roberts 3, Susan J. Davey 4, G. Bradbury (cond.) 5, Pauline Wildman (longest length rung) 6, R. D. Baker 7, E. Borley 8.

**CHELSEFIELD, KENT.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 St. Clement's Bob Minor: Jennifer Wright 1, Jennifer Payne 2, D. L. Parker 3, J. S. Barnes 4, D. C. Manser (cond.) 5, N. J. Martin 6. Also to congratulate Hilary Martin and R. W. Hinde (members of the local band), upon their engagement.

**COWBRIDGE, GLAM.**—1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7,6,8 covering): W. J. Lewis Groom (first away from cover) 1, W. G. Morgan 2, Miss A. J. Thomas 3, Miss E. B. Thomas 4, H. G. Blick (cond.) 5, A. W. Thomas 6, J. H. Thomas 7, W. E. Morgan 8.

**CURRY RIVEL, SOMERSET.**—1,344 Grandsire Triples: E. W. Broom (first on eight) 1, F. Welch 2, R. C. Beale 3, R. Welch 4, J. Cornelius 5, G. A. Hartland 6, R. Beale (cond.) 7, D. Uphill 8. Also for St. Andrew, patron saint of this church.

**EASTON NESTON, NORTHANTS.**—1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: A. W. Mansfield 1, C. W. Rigby 2, H. A. Cashmore 3, Miss B. M. Mansfield 4, F. P. Brangwyn 5, J. R. Snelling 6, W. A. Denny 7, W. F. Eyden (cond.) 8.

**EAST RETFORD, NOTTS.**—1,344 Plain Bob Major: P. Vincent (first quarter of Major) 1, Mary C. Poyner 2, C. A. Parsons 3, Doreen Metcalfe 4, D. D. Parsons 5, A. H. Hawcroft 6, H. Poyner (cond.) 7, J. Coates 8.

**ECKINGTON, WORCS.**—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Prosser 1, R. Perks 2, D. Trenfield 3, J. Firkins 4, J. Attwood 5, J. Attwood, jun. (cond.) 6.

**FOLKINGHAM, Lincs.**—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Lindsey 1, Miss I. Lindsey 2, J. H. Masson 3, C. T. H. Bradley (cond.) 4, C. Wilkinson 5, H. Collin 6.

**GRANTHAM, Lincs.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,008 Grandsire Triples: J. A. Colborne (first of Triples) 1, P. A. Slight 2, D. J. Hopkinson (first 'inside') 3, D. A. Frith (cond.) 4, J. R. Holmes 5, F. W. Pinchbeck 6, H. R. Woods 7, G. J. N. Colborne 8.

**GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.**—1,260 Grandsire Triples (from Holt's Original): C. W. Pipe 1, G. E. Symonds (cond.) 2, J. Bennet 3, P. May 4, Sylvia Pipe 7, F. Crapnell 8.

**HAMMERWOOD, SUSSEX.**—1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): F. H. Hicks 1, Charlotte Harris 2, Valerie J. Howard 3, D. Slater 4, J. A. Howard (cond.) 5.

**HIGHAM-ON-THE-HILL, LEICS.**—1,299 Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles: Cynthia Wells 1, Valerie Watts 2, A. E. Rowley 3, J. Watkins 4, I. S. Merry (cond.) 5, S. Wells 6.

**HUTTON, ESSEX.**—On Dec. 1st, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): W. G. Wright 1, C. E. Hill 2, J. J. Waller 3, W. T. Hill 4, R. G. Jones (cond.) 5.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes', on Nov. 29th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Frances Dodds (first quarter) 1, Julia A. Fellows 2, Elsie K. Hart 3, Christina R. Folkes 4, Joyce Dodds 5, Ruth M. Foreman 6, G. Dodds (cond.) 7, D. T. C. Smith 8, G. Penny 9, T. J. Lock 10.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Neilson 1, Elizabeth Todd 2, B. L. Marks 3, H. P. Yates 4, G. Neilson (cond.) 5, R. P. Brotherston 6.

**STORRINGTON, SUSSEX.**—1,320 Bob Doubles: Patricia M. Dean 1, Jean Horton 2, J. Taylor 3, M. Davies (cond.) 4, B. W. Farhall 5, F. Brasington 6.

**STROUD, GLOS.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: F. Garland 1, R. Hazel 2, R. Dale 3, T. Pritchard 4, L. Edwards 5, T. Wits 6, J. Whiting 7, V. Deane 8, L. Barry (cond.) 9, D. Pobjoy 10.

**SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Grace Burchall 1, Celia Chandler (first 'inside') 2, Susan Moxon 3, Katharine Burchall 4, Eleanor Rose 5, D. Parsons (cond.) 6, D. Williamson 7, R. Beresford 8.

**TONBRIDGE, KENT.**—1,260 Grandsire Triples: Sandra Greenhalgh 1, Yvonne Burgess 2, Margaret A. Ladd 3, E. J. Ladd 4, C. W. Hancock 5, J. C. Carpenter 6, W. Rogers (cond.) 7, V. J. Benning 8.

**WANSTEAD, ESSEX.**—On Dec. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Petty 1, Miss J. Nash 2, K. H. Hughes 3, J. P. Eyre (first 'inside') 4, J. Chalk 5, A. R. Crowson (cond.) 6. Also on Dec. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: S. Jennings (first quarter) 1, K. H. Hughes 2, A. Faulkner 3, A. R. Crowson 4, J. P. Eyre 5, D. Ellison (cond.) 6.

**WARMINSTER, WILTS.**—1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: Mrs. P. F. Tambling (first of Surprise Major) 1, D. Orledge 2, D. Massey 3, E. C. Shepherd 4, D. Burt 5, E. Norris (first in method) 6, N. Knee 7, E. Hitchins (cond.) 8. By the Surprise Major practice band.

**WESTERHAM, KENT.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Major (St. Clement's and Plain Bob) R. Myhill 1, M. Cosgrove 2, F. Budgeon 3, R. Sherlock 4, J. Weller 5, R. Waterhouse (cond.) 6, J. Igglesden 7, P. Townsend 8.

**WILLINGDON, SUSSEX.**—1,260 Stedman Doubles: G. Pullinger 1, Jackie S. Finch 2, Janet E. Biscoe 3, Janet M. Percy (cond.) 4, Betty Percy 5, C. R. Percy 6. First quarter of Stedman Doubles by all except 1 and 5.

**WILMSLOW, CHESHIRE.**—On Nov. 29th, 720 Spliced Capel, Sandal, London Schottars' Pleasure, Kingston and Oxford T.B.; 540 Plain Bob: P. Oliver 1, A. Sharples 2, D. Smith 3, S. Sage 4, N. Lomas 5, D. Mottershead (cond.) 6.

**WREXHAM, DENBIGHS.**—1,260 Stedman Triples: J. Clutton 1, E. Barber 2, Miss B. Carter 3, F. R. Evans (cond.) 4, E. Webster 5, J. M. Capper 6, W. Cathall 7, A. Hodges 8.

**YARNTON, OXON.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Barbara M. Butler 1, A. D. Sansom 2, D. Floyd 3, P. J. Heritage 4, C. J. Groome 5, E. R. Venn (cond.) 6.

**YEOVIL, SOMERSET.**—1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. Moore 1, D. Beaufoy 2, T. Look 3, J. Taylor 4, T. E. Marks 5, R. J. Fox 6, T. J. Setter (cond.) 7, H. C. Vowles 8.

## RINGERS' SUNDAY IN SUSSEX

Nov. 15th was a red letter day for members of the Northern Division of the Sussex Association, with special ringers' services.

At Withyham there was an hour's ringing before Matins, and this was shortened by the Rector (the Rev. P. L. Scott) to allow Mr. E. A. Barnett to give an interesting and instructive address on the origin of bells and the birth of progress of change ringing. During the talk demonstrations were given on handbells, and afterwards the congregation were invited to visit the belfry and see ringing in progress.

Danehill held its annual ringers' service (the fourth) in the evening. The bells were rung from 5.30 to 6.30 p.m., and the service conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. I. Paton Hunter). Mr. E. A. Barnett and Mr. R. Johnson read the lessons. During the service a course of Stedman Caters was rung by Mrs. F. I. Hairs, E. A. Barnett, F. I. Hairs, W. Dobbie, Mrs. W. Dobbie, followed by the singing of the ringers' hymn. In his address, the Vicar welcomed the ringers, and then came a course of Grandsire Caters rung by a resident band of Sussex (Mrs. F. I. Hairs, E. Rapley, L. Weller, G. Francis, F. I. Hairs).

An enjoyable hour followed in the Village Hall. Refreshments were served and Mr. A. Butcher, the local captain, was congratulated on another successful occasion. Fifteen Sussex towers were represented; also present were ringers from Kent, Yorkshire, Surrey and the East Grinstead Guild.

## MR. FRANK ATKINSON RETIRES

Mr. F. Atkinson, who was 82 last August, has been a ringer for 60 years—36 of them at York Minster. However, he has decided to retire from ringing and also to give up his duties as a Minster steward.

To mark his retirement it was decided to make him a small presentation and during a short ceremony on Advent Sunday morning he was presented with a purse of money as a token of the esteem in which he was held by his fellow ringers and the Dean and Chapter.

The presentation was made by Canon R. Cant, Canon-in-Residence, who said how much the Dean and Chapter appreciated Mr. Atkinson's services to the Minster. Tributes were also paid to him by the Rev. J. A. McMullen, chaplain of the Minster Society, and by Mr. H. Walker.

Frank started his ringing at Wragby (a six bell tower), and became a member of the Yorkshire Association in 1906. He has not been a great peal ringer but he has recorded all his 720's and quarter peals in beautiful copper plate handwriting.

On the afternoon after the presentation he rang his first quarter peal of Grandsire Caters.

H. W.

**NEWTON NOTTAGE, GLAMORGAN.**—On Nov. 5th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): M. Thomas 1, M. Larcher 2, D. Everett 3, T. M. Roderick (cond.) 4, Rev. D. E. Ford 5, P. Fenton (first quarter) 6. First 1 and 5.

**SEVENOAKS, KENT.**—On November 16th, 1,312 Yorkshire Surprise Major: Lucile M. Corby 1, Christine Mould (first Surprise Major) 2, Isabel M. Pearce 3, Judith M. Corby 4, Doris E. Colgate 5, E. G. Mould 6, A. J. Corby (cond.) 7, P. A. Corby 8.

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## Wratten's Wringers' Wreunion Weekend

IT HARDLY seemed five months ago that, following a successful peal week around Cheltenham, Wratten Wringers had arranged to meet in Bristol on the last week-end in November for a reunion.

A full programme was prepared, and straight to business on Friday evening with a peal of Derby S.M. at the Cathedral, enabling Mick Hobbs to realise his ambition (by 19 days), in completing the Surprise Major alphabet before his 21st birthday. Also pleasing was the fact that Pete Bridle's name is back in the peal columns for the first time since his accident.

The party had arranged to meet in the 'Mauretania', and the organiser was a little concerned to learn that four members of the party did not have their cars with them, leaving a rather desperate transport situation—fears which later proved to be unfounded.

A hectic day was promised for Saturday with four peals arranged. Another first for the Association was scored by ringing Southgate on the good-toned but rather noisy eight at Almondsbury, whilst at the same time the other eight people rang Lincolnshire at Olveston. Into Bristol for a hasty Chinese meal before the party split again. Ten went to St. Stephen's where a fast peal of Yorkshire Royal was rung, at great expense to the energy of the tenor ringer, who needed several cups of tea to revive him. Eight more were fortunate enough to be standing in a peal at St. Philip's—a rare Bristol eight—where a first class peal of Rutland was scored, with 'Drugged Dick' dreaming his way through, following a bout of tonsillitis.

W.W.s (and I don't mean Wilfred!!) success continued in the evening when they soundly beat the Bristol City skittles team by 30 pins. The City say it was because they had too many members of the Ladies' Guild in their team (at least that's their excuse!)

Sunday morning the party dispersed to four Bristol towers for service ringing. One band

went to Bedminster where they found that a previous visiting party had broken the rope of the treble, so just to prove they were not to be outdone they broke the rope of the 3rd during a touch of Doubles.

The highlight of the week-end was a peal attempt on the 35 cwt. ring of eight at Congresbury. The Leicester train was due to arrive in Bristol at 1.12; however, at 1.45 there was still no sign of Mr. Kingsley Norton—could it be that he had developed an attack of 'cold feet', following the news that the so-called 'Squire' of Long Ashton had announced that he would be waiting at Congresbury ready to carry him from the tower. Anyway he eventually arrived and after a quick dash the peal was started late and finished just 7 minutes before Evensong. As promised, Ralph was outside the tower, waiting to compliment Kingsley on a 'creditable performance.' Several members of the party expressed regrets at not having taken advantage of Chris Kippin's offer to run a book on the outcome of the peal. Also listening to the last hour were the rest of the party who had scored a somewhat quicker (though apparently no less energetic) peal of Rutland at Barrow-Gurney. The remark was passed 'You lot will get the credit, but we had the "benders".'

An exhausted but smugly satisfied party of Wringers grabbed some quick liquid refreshment before departing to their various destinations with remarks of 'See you at Cheltenham next year, if not before.' The week-end was particularly pleasing to the organiser, in that it was 100 per cent. successful, bearing in mind the 100 per cent failure week-end last Whitsun.

Sincere thanks are accorded to the five Bristol ringing families who so kindly contributed to the enjoyment of the week-end by accommodating the party at their homes.

D.J.H. G.M.H.

## NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION Western Branch

A goodly company presented themselves at Gaywood on November 21st for the last meeting of the year. The service was conducted by the Rector, Rev. G. R. Phizackerley, and the lesson was read by Mr. J. Coston (a Gaywood ringer), with the chairman, Rev. G. Galley, at the organ. An exceptionally good (and free) tea was served at the Church Rooms.

At the meeting a welcome was extended to two new members from 'foreign' parts—Rev. M. C. C. Melville and David Cawley. Two interim evening practice meetings were arranged, details of which will be published later.

Among those present was Mr. E. Barker, of Shouldham, who was also present at the dedication of these bells, well over fifty years ago, and Mr. W. B. Duncan, of Yarmouth, who rang in the tower in the early days.

The lovely sounding and good going six were fully employed during the afternoon and evening. All present enjoyed the day and were impressed by the welcome extended by the Rector and his ringers. We felt inspired by the general 'aliveness' of the church in Gaywood.

J.S.

## GUILD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

Two of the Branches of the Guild have amalgamated—the N.W. and N. Devon Branches. This took place at Clawton on November 14th, when the annual meeting of the N.W. Branch was held, with the Vicar and Branch chairman (the Rev. J. G. M. Scott) in the chair. The new title is the N. and N.W. Branch.

All the present officers were re-elected, but from the N. Devon Branch Miss B. M. Boyle, of Combe Martin, becomes assistant secretary, and the Vicar of Westleigh joint chairman. Six new members of the Guild were elected—five from Shebbear College and one from Westleigh.

The secretary read a satisfactory report, which included 26 quarters and three peals (two Double Norwich C.B. Major) rung for the Guild. The treasurer's report was also satisfactory. A tribute was paid to the memory of Mr. E. M. Atkins, former general secretary of the Guild.

Next year's meetings: Holsworthy, July 24th; annual, Westleigh, November 13th.

The service was conducted by the chairman, and the ladies who supplied the tea were thanked by him.

## MR. S. GEOFFREY WATERS' 100 PEALS

Mr. S. Geoffrey Waters, of Hawkhurst, Kent, who recently completed his 100 peals, has rung in the process with 162 ringers, in 57 different towers and nine counties. His list is as follows:

Doubles.—Two methods 4, three methods 1. Minor.—Plain Bob 10 (conducted 1), seven methods 2.

Triples.—Grandsire 12, Plain Bob 1. Major.—Double Norwich Court Bob 13, Kent T.B. 2, Plain Bob 11 (1), Cambridge S. 8, Yorkshire S. 7, Cranbourne S. 1, Southgate S. 1, Belvedere S. 1, Superlative S. 13, New Cambridge S. 1, Pudsey S. 1, Ipswich S. 1, Ashted S. 1, Apsley S. 1, Double Oxford Bob 1.

Caters.—Grandsire 2. Royal.—Plain Bob 3. Maximus.—Plain Bob 1, Kent T.B. 1.

## COMPOSITIONS

### 5,079 STEDMAN CATERS

By HADLEY HUNTER

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231456879 2, 9s, 15

2143 5 (BSBBS)

214365978 2, 7s, 9s

2134 A

215364879 2, 9s, 16

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### 5,075 ERIN CATERS

By J. M. H. HUNTER

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54312 — — — }  
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42153 A (bob at \*)  
13254 3A  
24153 A (bob at \*)  
31254 A  
54213 S — —  
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432517689 1, 4, 9s, 10, 14s, 15

21354 B  
54312 S —  
13245 — —

432517698 1, 4, 5, 10s, 14, 15

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Contains 24 each of '56789, '56978, '65978. Can be easily called by the regular work of the 5th in each block A, noting that the treble makes the bob at the bobs at \*.

Rung at St. Peter's Church, St. Albans, on June 27th, 1964.

Rung at Isleworth, June 20th, 1964.

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## OBITUARY

MR. L. J. WILLIAMS

The funeral service for Mr. Laurence J. Williams, head ringer for over 50 years at Church Kirk, Lancashire, took place in the church he served so faithfully on Saturday, November 21st. His death on the previous Wednesday came suddenly although he had not been well for the past two years. Many ringing friends of the Lancashire Association were present. Half-muffled touches of Stedman and Double Norwich and the 'whole pull and stand' were rung in a dignified manner which was fitting for the occasion.

It was just before the first world war that Laurence came to live in Church Kirk, having learned to ring at Willephall. Almost at once he had to join the Army, so his ringing career began in earnest after the war. In March, 1919, he rang his first peal, the second peal on the old six bells at Church Kirk. The next peal on the bells was his first as conductor, and he conducted all of the subsequent eight peals on the bells before they became unringable in 1923. Whilst the bells were out of action, 'Laurie' was busy training a band at Rishton, at the same time pressing for the restoration of Church Kirk bells. In November, 1926, the new ring of eight was dedicated, and Laurie made sure that they were used well. His enthusiasm for peal ringing did not exceed that for Sunday service ringing, and it was his efforts which inspired the local band until they were ringing Cambridge Surprise Major for service in 1931.

Laurence was the first to acknowledge that his progressive enthusiasm gave rise to many a lively argument. He had little sympathy with those whose outlook was 'dormant,' and on several occasions he noted in the record books that the Church Kirk Society was 'evidently not loved by the (Blackburn) Branch.' However, with such a character in its midst, the Branch could not remain dormant for long, and Laurence not only became president and bell adviser of the Blackburn Branch, but also a committee member, vice-president, and Central Council representative of the Lancashire Association. He was a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, and helped to initiate the 'Gratefully Acknowledged' column in 'The Ringing World.'

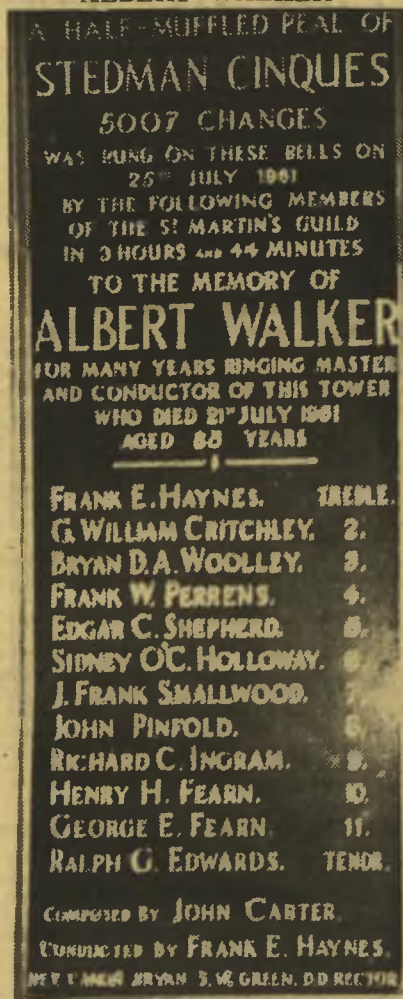
Even in later years, he was still keen, and only ten years ago he started afresh to train a young band at Church Kirk. With only one other experienced local ringer, and a little help from neighbouring towers, he successfully achieved his objective.

He was the most punctual and regular attender in the band, even though for two years he had to walk two miles every Sunday to get to the church—a fine record for anyone at the age of 70. Unfortunately, his health failed about two years ago, and his greatest pleasure then was to be visited by his ringing friends, and to recall the amusing incidents in his life. The death of Laurence J. Williams, at the age of 73, is a great loss to the Exercise, but he will be remembered for many years to come. J. P.

## SS. PHILIP &amp; JACOB'S, BRISTOL

After nearly two years of silence ringing restarted in this tower in October. Origin of the trouble was the snapping of the wires holding the clock weights, which crashed through the ringing chamber floor. This in itself could have been put right in a short time, but an examination of the tower revealed that the stairs were unsafe and whole sections had to be replaced. The work was completed in time for the bells to be rung for harvest festival.

Mr. Edwin J. Brown has retired as Ringing Master and steeplekeeper, a post he has held with much devotion for 38 years. Only two of the original St. Philip's band are still active, and the bells are kept going from the Bristol Cathedral Sunday afternoon band. Grateful thanks are due to St. Ambrose's for the loan of ropes.

MEMORIAL TABLET TO  
ALBERT WALKER

The memorial tablet to the late Albert Walker in the ringing chamber of St. Martin's, Birmingham. The cost of the tablet was £103 10s.

Photo by Sidney Holloway.

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The Editor recently received a line block of a church. He has been unable to discover the identity of the church or the news story to which it relates. Will the sender please forward the appropriate reading matter as the drawing looks most attractive.

We hope to publish next week another collection of quarter peals rung in honour of Sir Winston's 90th birthday.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP

## BIG DEMAND FOR RECORD BOOK

Record Books Ltd., the publishers of Edgar C. Shepherd's book 'The Sound of Bells,' are extremely pleased at the demand for the book from 'Ringing World' readers. Orders are being dealt with in strict rotation and as expeditiously as possible. Those who have had to wait for their copy are assured of delivery in due course.

A new clapper has been fitted to the tenor at Painswick.

Ali points out that the peal rung at Seal (pages 565 and 800) was in actual fact rung at Seal Chart.

So successful was the East Berks and South Bucks dinner at Windsor on November 28th that the date of next year's function is already in members' diaries. All being well it will be held on Saturday, November 27th.

With much pleasure we welcome David Clark of Whotton, Notts, back to the quarter peal columns after his recent illness and we look forward to his early return to the peal columns.

Help from ringers of the Bridgwater Parish Church made it possible for ringing to take place at Durligh, Somerset, on Nov. 22nd when the Bishop of Taunton conducted a service of thanksgiving and rededication following extensive restoration of the church.

The ringers of the peal at Raunds, Northamptonshire, on November 28th, would like to associate the name of John R. Mayne with this peal. He is not the first, and will probably not be the last, to arrange for more ringers for a peal attempt than there are bells.

From Southend we hear that a dog will probably be in the peal totals for 1964, for she has already heard 24 peals complete this year. We look forward to hearing more about her if she hears another!



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### Liverpool Cathedral Peal Attempt

The peal attempt for Grandsire Cinques at Liverpool Cathedral on Saturday, November 29th, failed after four hours' ringing due to one of the ringers having to give up. The ages of the band in this attempt extended from 17 to 70. This, our correspondent states, was the third attempt. The two previous attempts at the Cathedral came to grief, he believes, through a miscall and broken clapper respectively.

### Conducted First Peal

The paragraph in Belfry Gossip concerning Mr. D. Fenton conducting his first peal at Bramley, Leeds, has brought forth an interesting coincidence. Mr. J. S. Eastwood of Walsall, Staffs, learned to ring at this tower under the late Mr. G. W. T. Holgate, and writes: 'I also rang and called my first peal (Kent) at this tower in February, 1927, this being the first peal on the eight bells installed in 1924 and am now the sole survivor of the band at the time of the installation.'

### Another Youngster Launched

Shortly before her 12th birthday, Frances Dodds, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Dodds, of St. Albans, rang her first quarter to Grandsire Caters, at St. Clement Danes', London, on November 29th. Comments father: 'Young Frances is now launched on the "slippery slope".' Few young ladies have started their quarters in such a distinguished company. Happy birthday, Frances!

### Aubrey's Birthday

The band who met at Buckfast Abbey on November 28th to attempt a peal of Grandsire Doubles in order to complete the circuit in the method on the bells were doomed to disappointment as the bells had to be called around at half way owing to indisposition of one of the band. Those who rang, however, were entertained to a birthday tea by Mr. A. L. Bennett afterwards, a very pleasant evening being spent.

### Oddfellows' Peal

That great and enthusiastic Oddfellow, Mr. Frank Stenson, of Crewe, will read with interest the honour conferred on Bro. Eric Roughley of Davenport, Stockport, during his year as Provincial Grand Master of the St. Helens District. Fellow Oddfellows rang a peal to mark the occasion at Chelford, Cheshire. Participating were two Past Provincial Grand Masters and also a Past Grand.

### Relief

Fear, the scare of the bare passage.  
The tall hard walls and the empty  
Echoingly hollow stair  
Leading down from the boom  
Of the bells above.  
The shadowless passage harsh  
In the glare of the staring light,  
And the swinging weights  
Here, there; there, here.  
The fear throbbing from the walls  
And swelling out the narrow passage.  
Then the opening door,  
The warm brightness, the joy of it.  
Recognition.

'WIMBLEDON.'

### Churchill Surprise

The ringing room at Westerham is on the ground floor open to the church. Members of the Kent County Association were therefore somewhat overwhelmed on arriving to ring in a new Surprise method for Sir Winston Churchill's birthday to see powerful television lights set up. The peal was started in the full glare of the lights and some five courses had been rung before the lights and other equipment were finally removed and the ringers were allowed to complete the peal under more normal conditions. An excellent peal was rung and we understand some readers may have seen shots of the ringing on ITV before the peal was completed.

Sir Winston's country home is at Chartwell in the parish of Westerham and the ringers of Kent were anxious to pay a worthy tribute by ringing a new method. Mr. John Mayne had kindly looked out a suitable method and had confirmed that the name Churchill had not been previously used. Thanks are due to the new Vicar, Canon A. Chapman, and the local ringers for their enthusiastic co-operation.

### Ringers' Wedding at Bridport

Unfortunately, and contrary to several reports in the local press, a quarter peal of Stedman Triples, attempted at St. Mary's, Bridport, on October 31st, was not successful. The occasion was the wedding of Miss Valerie Hallett to Mr. Michael Stone, of Bridgwater, and the attempt was made by ringing friends from Bridgwater and Ebbw Vale. Bridport ringers rang immediately before and after the wedding service. After a honeymoon in Scotland, the couple were welcomed to their new home near Bridgwater by a quarter peal of St. Clement's Minor on the bell of their 'home' tower at Wembdon.

### Will Ring at Christmas

We have received a cheery card from Mr. W. B. Kynaston of Rodbourne Cheney, Swindon, stating that he is now out of hospital and going on very well. While it is a case of no tower bell ringing yet, he hopes to do a bit before Christmas.

### For Records Committee

Another fine achievement has come from Yorkshire. Mr. Wilfrid F. Moreton conducted at Holy Trinity Church, Kingston-upon-Hull, a peal of Spliced Surprise Royal in thirty-six methods, the most methods to be rung to a peal of Royal. Congratulations.

### From Rounds to Stedman

Meeting short for their peal attempt of Stedman Triples at Dorchester Abbey, on Nov. 28th, Douglas Exon was summoned from his baker's rounds to ring the Tenor. He had only time, so he puts it, 'for half a fruit loaf,' before starting the peal. While all precede their peals by rounds, Doug Exon's experience might be without precedent. At any rate the peal was a success and Doug was duly thanked.

### Earliest Hastings Stay

Mr. Michael King, of Wentworth, writes concerning the peal of Minimus on the four bells at Stockton-on-the-Forest that the bells were equipped with the Hastings stay in 1896 by Taylor's. Are there any other rings with such a fitting fitted earlier than 1896?

### The Alexandra Ring

The peal of Stedman Caters rung at the former Imperial Institute on November 14th was only the fifth peal on the Alexandra ring of bells which were installed in 1895 to be rung on Royal and State occasions. The last peal, also Stedman Caters, was rung by members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths on April 23rd, 1924, to mark the opening of the British Empire Exhibition.

The bells are now rung on eight dates each year and, for several years past, bands for these occasions have been arranged by Mr. William J. Rawlings. It was appropriate, therefore, that the recent peal enabled Bill to complete his first century and congratulations were extended accordingly.

### 100 Peals on Crawley Bells

On November 14th, Mr. Alf Bull of Horley, Surrey, rang his 100th peal on Crawley bells and Mr. W. Beeson, of Cranleigh, his 50th. (See page 807.) The first of the 100 was Worcester T.B. on Oct. 3rd, 1920, and Messrs. Bull and Beeson are the sole survivors. The time taken for both peals was the same — 3 hrs. 5 mins. After the peal a splendid tea was provided by Mrs. Jennings. Photographs were produced by George and there were many reminiscences. To the peal not a few footnotes could have been added as 'In memoriam Oliver Sippetts and other members of the 1920 band.' Also for 'E. G. Talbot, the friend we miss so much,' writes John Euston. Over half of Mr. Bull's 100 peals were in Surprise methods and were mainly under the conductorship of Mr. Sippetts.

### A Prittlewell 21st

A popular member of the Prittlewell tower is Miss Janet Rowe and her 21st birthday on November 23rd was marked by a peal on the 22nd. On her birthday at the Prittlewell tower practice she was presented with a present on behalf of the band by the Master, Mr. Bernard Sadler. Afterwards everybody went round to her home where plenty of good eats and drinks were available—a truly happy birthday. Janet is now going to live in London. Prittlewell ringers wish her well and hope she will find a happy tower to receive her.

### The Arcscott Family Does It Again

Congratulations to the Arcscott family, who are scattered about the Bath and Wells area. There was another family reunion on Nov. 14th at All Saints' Church, Merriott, Somerset, when a peal of Minor was rung. This is the second peal in recent years.

### Christmas Issue

Our Christmas issue with a special message from Canon C. Carew Cox, former Master of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild will appear next week. Our popular feature, Christmas Greetings, will also be included and we have already received messages from overseas. We are hoping that the following issue will be on sale before Christmas Day. This will be printed on the Monday. Because of the time lag over Christmas mails, will secretaries wanting Notices inserted in the issue of December 25th please forward as soon as possible. If uncertain of arrangements use the word 'provisional.' It is not too early to send these Notices for New Year's meetings in at once. Finally, Notices may be phoned Guildford 5311.



## TOWER BELL PEALS

## WRATTEN'S WRINGERS' WEEK-END

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
BRISTOL.—At the Cathedral Church of the Holy and Undivided Trinity.

On Fri., Nov. 27, 1964, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes.  
A PEAL OF 5088 DERBY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 lb. in E flat.

George T. Cousins .. .. Treble	Cyril A. Wratten .. .. 5
Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 2	†Peter Bridle .. .. 6
*Michael J. Hobbs .. .. 3	D. John Hunt .. .. 7
Elisabeth A. G. Bowden .. 4	Gordon W. Land .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. J. Sedgley. Conducted by D. John Hunt.  
\* Has now completed the alphabet to Surprise Major. † 75th of Surprise.

First peal in the method for the Association, on the bells, and by all the band.

ALMONDSBURY, Gloucestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 SOUTHGATE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22½ cwt. in E flat.

George T. Cousins .. .. Treble	Philip M. J. Gray .. .. 5
Jennifer M. Taylor .. .. 2	James R. Taylor .. .. 6
Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 3	Anthony R. Peake .. .. 7
*D. John Hunt .. .. 4	Brian Bladon .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. J. Ivin.  
\* 200th peal of Major.

First peal in the method for the Association, on the bells, and by all the band.

OLVESTON, Gloucestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in E.

*David A. Burt .. .. Treble	Alan Tubb .. .. 5
Gordon W. Land .. .. 2	Cyril A. Wratten .. .. 6
†Michael J. Hobbs .. .. 3	†Antony R. Kench .. .. 7
Cliff Richards .. .. 4	George E. Thoday .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. Barton. Conducted by Cyril A. Wratten.  
\* First peal of Lincolnshire. † 25th together.

BRISTOL.—At the City Parish Church of St. Stephen.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 21 cwt. in E.

George T. Cousins .. .. Treble	Anthony R. Peake .. .. 6
*Cyril A. Wratten .. .. 2	Peter Bridle .. .. 7
Brian Bladon .. .. 3	Patrick J. Bird .. .. 8
Antony R. Kench .. .. 4	*George E. Thoday .. .. 9
†Gordon W. Land .. .. 5	Victor Griffin .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. Bennett. Conducted by George E. Thoday.  
\* 25th peal together. † First in the method 'inside.'

BRISTOL.—At the Church of SS. Philip and Jacob.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 11 lb. in E flat.

Don C. Exell .. .. Treble	Michael J. Hobbs .. .. 5
Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 2	Richard J. Bowden .. .. 6
Elisabeth A. G. Bowden .. 3	James R. Taylor .. .. 7
Jennifer M. Taylor .. .. 4	D. John Hunt .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. Smith. Conducted by Don C. Exell.  
First peal on the bells since 1949.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BARROW GURNEY, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mary and St. Edward, King and Martyr.

On Sun., Nov. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14½ cwt.

Gordon W. Land .. .. Treble	Peter Bridle .. .. 5
Jennifer M. Taylor .. .. 2	Antony R. Kench .. .. 6
Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 3	George E. Thoday .. .. 7
Michael J. Hobbs .. .. 4	Brian Bladon .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. Smith. Conducted by Gordon W. Land.  
First in the method as conductor.

CONGRESBURY, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sun., Nov. 29, 1964, in 3 Hours and 53 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5090 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 35 cwt. in C.

Cliff Richards .. .. Treble	Anthony R. Peake .. .. 5
Elisabeth A. G. Bowden .. 2	James R. Taylor .. .. 6
Cyril A. Wratten .. .. 3	D. John Hunt .. .. 7
George T. Cousins .. .. 4	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. Tenor

Composed by B. D. Price. Conducted by D. John Hunt.

## OTHER PEALS

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.  
SOUTH KENSINGTON, London, S.W.—On the Alexandra Ring of Bells in the Queen's Tower of the former Imperial Institute.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 38 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb.

John Phillips .. .. Treble	John Chilcott .. .. 6
Charles H. Kippin .. .. 2	Wilfred Williams .. .. 7
John H. Lott .. .. 3	James' Phillips .. .. 8
William T. Cook .. .. 4	Michael P. Moreton .. .. 9
William J. Rawlings .. .. 5	John H. Crampion .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by John Chilcott.

Rung as a compliment to H.R.H. Prince Charles, on his 16th birthday anniversary.

THE AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ASSOCIATION.

MELBOURNE, Victoria.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Paul.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 49 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5201 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 31½ cwt. in C sharp.

Kenneth J. Minchinton .. Treble	Enid L. Roberts .. .. 6
*Robin G. Turner .. .. 2	Ronald K. Russ .. .. 7
†Harold E. McDonald .. .. 3	Thomas W. Goodyer .. .. 8
†William B. Pitcher .. .. 4	Brian R. Cox .. .. 9
†C. Hervey Bagot .. .. 5	†David J. Bleby .. .. Tenor

Composed by Brian Downes. Conducted by Thomas W. Goodyer.

\* First peal in Australia. † First on ten. First peal on the ringing bells.

The band would like to associate the name of George W. Pipe with this peal.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

LONG ASHTON, Somerset.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 30 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb. in D flat.

Gillian M. Hussey .. .. Treble	John H. Gilbert .. .. 5
Jennifer M. Taylor .. .. 2	Don C. Exell .. .. 6
Ronald J. Sharp .. .. 3	Alfred E. Rushton .. .. 7
James R. Taylor .. .. 4	Stephen Ivin .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Stephen Ivin.

MERRIOT, Somerset.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor 14 cwt.

B. S. C. Arscott .. .. Treble	F. C. Arscott .. .. 4
M. R. Arscott .. .. 2	L. H. Arscott .. .. 5
C. H. J. Arscott .. .. 3	R. F. Arscott .. .. Tenor

Conducted by R. F. Arscott.

A family peal.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

SOUTHILL, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Thurs., Nov. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 KILLMARSH TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being seven extents, with 5 and 6 the right way throughout.

Tenor 11½ cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb. in F sharp.

Philip Mehew .. .. Treble	Bernard G. North .. .. 4
Terry R. Hatchett .. .. 2	David R. Saunderson .. .. 5
George E. Bonham .. .. 3	George W. Massey .. .. Tenor

Conducted by George W. Massey.

First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and for the Association.

OLD WARDEN, Bedfordshire.—At the Church of St. Leonard.

On Thurs., Nov. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 IPSWICH SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents, with 5 and 6 the right way throughout.

Tenor 9 cwt. 22 lb. in G.

Robert D. Bellamy .. .. Treble	George E. Bonham .. .. 4
George W. Massey .. .. 2	Philip Mehew .. .. 5
Terry R. Hatchett .. .. 3	Bernard G. North .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Bernard G. North.

First peal in the method by all the band, except the ringer of the second. First in the method on the bells, and for the Association.

Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Mrs. Ann Worboys, by special request of Mr. T. R. Hatchett.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

BEDFORD.—At the Church of St. Paul.

On Mon., Nov. 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 28 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lb. in D.

*J. A. Harrison (Sidney) Treble	†K. J. Darvill (St. Cath's) 6
*C. M. Press (King's) .. 2	†V. Nutton (Selwyn) .. 7
J. M. H. Hunter (Trinity) 3	C. H. Rogers (Emmanuel) 8
F. E. Haynes (St. Cath's) 4	B. D. Threlfall (Trinity) 9
*R. M. Damerell (Corpus) 5	†S. C. Walters (Pembroke) Tenor

Arranged by J. M. H. Hunter. Conducted by S. Clarke Walters.

\* First peal of Royal. † First of Yorkshire Surprise Royal. First of Royal as conductor.

Rung as a 90th birthday compliment to Sir Winston S. Churchill.



## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

CREWE, Cheshire.—At Christ Church.  
On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

Tenor 20 cwt. in E.

*James S. Baker .. . Treble	A. Doreen Edwards .. . 6
Yvonne Hughes .. . 2	George A. Packer .. . 7
Paul J. Atkins .. . 3	Frank R. Morton .. . 8
Ivor R. Nichols .. . 4	Roy Worrall .. . 9
*Gerald Parsons .. . 5	Clifford A. Thomas .. . Tenor

Composed by G. Hayward.

Conducted by George A. Packer.

\* First peal on ten bells.

Rung as a 30th birthday compliment to Clifford A. Thomas.

CHELFORD, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist.  
(Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Manchester Unity Friendly Society.)

On Sat., Nov. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES**

Being 16 240's and ten 120's.	Tenor 8½ cwt.
Sister Marian Forrester, Palatine Lodge (Blackburn) .. . Treble	
Bro. Eric Roughley, Prov. G.M., Benevolent Lodge .. . 2	
Bro. Thomas D. Roughley, P.G., Benevolent Lodge (Rainford) .. . 3	
Bro. Harry Callwood, Dixon Lodge (Chelford) .. . 4	
Bro. Ernest Pimlott, P.P.G.M., Dixon Lodge .. . 5	
Bro. Thomas P. Barlow, P.P.G.M., Hope of the Village Lodge .. . Tenor	

Conducted by Bro. Ernest Pimlott.

Rung as a compliment to Bro. Eric Roughley, during his year of office as Provincial Grand Master of the St. Helens District.

## THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

SUNDERLAND, Co. Durham.—At the Church of Holy Trinity.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb. in F.

John E. Anderson .. . Treble	William Davidson .. . 5
M. Elaine Murcott .. . 2	James Crowther .. . 6
Jennifer Sceney .. . 3	Eric N. Harrison .. . 7
Andrew G. Craddock .. . 4	Michael Maughan .. . Tenor

Composed by C. W. Roberts.

Conducted by Michael Maughan.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

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

On Tues., Nov. 17, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In four methods, comprising 1,312 Bristol, and 1,280 each of Cambridge, London and Superlative, with 112 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell.	Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in G.
Donald F. Mufet .. . Treble	Brian D. Threlfall .. . 5
*C. Gay Williams .. . 2	†John G. Gipson .. . 6
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. . 3	Derek E. Sibson .. . 7
Geoffrey Pearson .. . 4	William J. Ridgman .. . Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.

\* First peal of Spliced. † First of four Spliced.

Rung to mark the birth of a son, Simon, to Jane Anne and Geoffrey Pearson.

BURWELL, Cambridgeshire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Blessed-Virgin.

On Wed., Nov. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5088 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 7 lb. in F sharp.

John G. Gipson .. . Treble	*Ian Munro .. . 5
Geoffrey Pearson .. . 2	Kenneth J. Hesketh .. . 6
C. Martin Press .. . 3	Derek E. Sibson .. . 7
*John Rank .. . 4	Brian D. Threlfall .. . Tenor

Composed by Charles W. Roberts.

Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.

\* First peal in the method.

In memoriam Harry Sharp, of Wilburton, who died on November 15th, aged 90.

LONGSTANTON, Cambridgeshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 24 lb. in E.

*Terry R. Hatchett .. . Treble	Brian B. Hullah .. . 5
David R. Sanderson .. . 2	George E. Bonham .. . 6
Mary E. Edwards .. . 3	Bernard G. North .. . 7
Peter Woolven .. . 4	Philip Mehew .. . Tenor

Composed by Stephen J. Ivin.

Conducted by Philip Mehew.

\* 25th peal.

Rung with felicitations as a 90th birthday compliment to Sir Winston S. Churchill, and also a birthday compliment to the father of the ringer of the 4th.

MELBOURN, Cambridgeshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Thurs., Nov. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR**

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 24 lb. in E.

E. Jane Sibson .. . Treble	Derek E. Sibson .. . 4
C. Martin Press .. . 2	John G. Gipson .. . 5
Geoffrey Pearson .. . 3	Kenneth J. Hesketh .. . Tenor

Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.

## THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

ILKESTON, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
On Thurs., Nov. 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 17 cwt. 9 lb in E.

Joseph C. Woolley .. . Treble	David J. Marshall .. . 5
Edward F. Gobey .. . 2	Harold Taylor .. . 6
David W. Friend .. . 3	Gordon A. Halls .. . 7
Denis R. Carlisle .. . 4	Ian M. Holland .. . Tenor

Composed by W. E. Critchley.

Conducted by Gordon A. Halls.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

PRITTLEWELL, Essex.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.  
On Sun., Nov. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 18½ cwt.

Peter Sloman .. . Treble	Philip Sadler .. . 5
Janet Rowe .. . 2	Frank B. Lufkin .. . 6
Bernard C. Sadler .. . 3	Michael J. Hallett .. . 7
Jack Belcham .. . 4	Alfred J. House .. . Tenor

Composed by J. E. Burton.

Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.

Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Janet Rowe.

DOWNHAM, Essex.—At the Church of St. Margaret.

On Fri., Nov. 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR**

Tenor 7½ cwt.

Peter G. Brown .. . Treble	David E. Belcham .. . 4
Michael J. Hallett .. . 2	Frank B. Lufkin .. . 5
Ian R. Panton .. . 3	Philip J. Rothera .. . Tenor

Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.

First peal of London Minor by all, and on the bells.

BROOMFIELD, Essex.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

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

Tenor 11½ cwt.

*Josephine A. Quilter .. Treble	Ian R. Panton .. . 4
*Marion R. Panton .. . 2	Peter G. Brown .. . 5
Howard Egglestone .. . 3	James L. Towler .. . Tenor

Conducted by Howard W. Egglestone.

\* First peal.

A 21st birthday compliment to the ringer of the 2nd.

WORMINGFORD, Essex.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

In seven methods, being extents of Cambridge Surprise, Ipswich Surprise, Court, Double Court, Oxford T.B., Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt.

Jennifer M. Andrews .. Treble	George N. Orman .. . 4
Mrs. R. J. R. Orman .. . 2	Edward E. Davey .. . 5
Arthur G. Button .. . 3	Alan R. Andrews .. . Tenor

Conducted by Alan R. Andrews.

## THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

SHALFORD, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Fri., Nov. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In five methods, comprising 1,120 London, 1,088 Superlative, and 1,024 Bristol, Cambridge and Pudsey, with 107 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb. in F sharp.

Patricia J. Laycock .. . Treble	William T. Beeson .. . 5
E. Jane Sibson .. . 2	*Stanley G. Ponting .. . 6
*Yvonne Edwards .. . 3	Derek E. Sibson .. . 7
Edgar R. Rapley .. . 4	Ronald F. Diserens .. . Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.

\* First peal of five Spliced.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

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

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.  
**A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Tenor 20 cwt. in E.

Martin L. Howe .. . Treble	†Alec W. Fry .. . 6
Cyril S. Jarrett .. . 2	†David S. Osenton .. . 7
Thomas E. Sone .. . 3	Christopher T. Osenton .. . 8
*Alexander Waddington .. 4	Robert W. Hinde .. . 9
†Monty W. Gilbert .. . 5	Bernard F. L. Groves .. . Tenor

Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.

\* First peal of Surprise Royal. † First of Yorkshire Surprise Royal.

BENENDEN, Kent.—At the Church of St. George.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 3 Hours.  
**A PEAL OF 5088 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 19½ cwt. in E.

Monty W. Gilbert .. . Treble	Christopher T. Osenton .. . 5
*Hilary E. Martin .. . 2	†Norman R. Mattingley .. . 6
Robert W. Hinde .. . 3	David S. Osenton .. . 7
Reginald E. Lambert .. . 4	Bernard F. L. Groves .. . Tenor

Composed by E. Barnett, sen.

Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.

\* First peal in the method. † First of Major 'inside'.



## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sun., Nov. 22, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 25 cwt. 81 lb. in D.

F. John Nelson .. .. Treble	*Jeffrey J. Fox .. .. 7
Richard S. Starkie .. .. 2	*Peter J. Wycherley .. .. 8
Tudor P. Edwards .. .. 3	Derek Butterworth .. .. 9
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 4	Neil Bennett .. .. 10
*Margaret E. Fort .. .. 5	Basil Jones .. .. 11
*Pauline P. Partington .. .. 6	John Robinson .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. Roberts.

Conducted by Tudor P. Edwards.

\* First peal of Cinques.

LANCASTER.—At the Roman Catholic Cathedral Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

Nicholas M. Newby .. .. Treble	Herbert Rainford .. .. 6
James E. Burles .. .. 2	*Stanley Anderton .. .. 7
*Pauline Turner .. .. 3	Alan Capstick .. .. 8
*Wilfred Bolton .. .. 4	William Wall .. .. 9
Bernard Moss .. .. 5	Thomas F. Metcalfe .. .. Tenor

Composed by H. J. Jucker.

Conducted by Thomas F. Metcalfe.

\* First peal of Royal. First of Royal as conductor.

Rung to commemorate the opening of the Lancaster University, and for the inauguration of H.R.H. Princess Alexandra as chancellor.

OLDHAM, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 35 cwt

Robert J. Warrilow .. .. Treble	Basil Jones .. .. 6
Alan Sharples .. .. 2	Alan Mcfall .. .. 7
Derek Yates .. .. 3	William H. Dowse .. .. 8
John Worth .. .. 4	A. Peter Whitehead .. .. 9
Alan A. Potts .. .. 5	Robert B. Smith .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. Pye.

Conducted by John Worth.

BILSBORROW, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Hilda.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5184 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 24 methods, being 384 each of Pudsey, Uxbridge and Yorkshire, 192 each of Ashted, Bristol, Cambridge, Cassiobury, Cornwall, Cray Double Dublin, Glasgow, Helmsore, Higher Walton, Ipswich, Jersey, Lincolnshire, Lindum, London, Ospringe, Radcliffe, Rochester, Rutland, Simonstone and Superlative, with 155 changes of method.

Tenor 14 cwt.

Cyril Crossthwaite .. .. Treble	Ernest Bennett .. .. 5
Jean M. Pailing .. .. 2	Richard J. Parker .. .. 6
Philip J. Crossthwaite .. .. 3	Norman Smith .. .. 7
James H. Pailing .. .. 4	Walter E. Wilkinson .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Norman Smith.

Greatest number of methods rung to a peal of Spliced Surprise Major by all, and for the Association.

Rung in memory of Laurence J. Williams, of Church Kirk.

FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist.

On Wed., Nov. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 KENT &amp; OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Iikeston Variation. Tenor 12½ cwt.

David Vincent .. .. Treble	Harold Worrall .. .. 5
*Pauline Turner .. .. 2	Albert Greenhalgh .. .. 6
†Margaret E. Fort .. .. 3	Sydney Osborne .. .. 7
James Cunliffe .. .. 4	John Ashcroft .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. C. Gobey.

Conducted by John Ashcroft.

\* First peal of T.B. † First of Kent and Oxford T.B. Major.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

LEICESTER.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Martin.

On Mon., Nov. 23, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 25 cwt. 20 lb.

William J. Root .. .. Treble	Malcolm E. Wade .. .. 5
Monica M. Jelley .. .. 2	Brian S. Chapman .. .. 6
Jack P. Kesterton .. .. 3	Russell S. Morris .. .. 7
Derek M. Sawyer .. .. 4	John M. Jelley .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pittow.

Conducted by John M. Jelley.

## HELMSHORE:

x 38 x 16 x 56 x 36 x 14 x 3458 x 16 x 38. 2nd's place i.e. 142.

## SIMONSTONE:

x 36 x 14 x 58 x 38 x 34 x 38.12.36.14.58. 2nd's place i.e. 135.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

BURTON-ON-STATHER, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Thurs., Nov. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 28 lb.

Harry Baldwin .. .. Treble	Harold Judd .. .. 5
John Hall .. .. 2	C. Aubrey Harrison .. .. 6
Ronald Chafer .. .. 3	Jack Bray .. .. 7
Michael W. Crowder .. .. 4	Philip Barnes .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by Michael W. Crowder.

Rung to mark the completion of the reconditioning of the organ in this church, and a compliment to the organist, Mr. G. W. Moody.

WALTHAM, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Wed., Nov. 18, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents. Tenor 12 cwt.

Septimus Neave .. .. Treble	*John H. Parker .. .. 4
Arthur Pashley .. .. 2	John Hall .. .. 5
W. Arthur Crowder .. .. 3	Michael W. Crowder .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Michael W. Crowder.

\* First peal of Surprise.

GOXHILL, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Mon., Nov. 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being extents of London, York, Norwich, Beverley, Surfleet, Bourne and Cambridge. Tenor 10 cwt. 14 lb.

W. Arthur Crowder .. Treble	Jack Bray .. .. 4
Ronald Chafer .. .. 2	John Hall .. .. 5
*Septimus Neave .. .. 3	Michael W. Crowder .. Tenor

Conducted by Michael W. Crowder.

\* First peal of Surprise Minor 'inside'.

A farewell to the Rev. Mr. Evison, who has accepted the living of Binbrooke, Lincolnshire. Also in memoriam J. V. Hepworth.

## THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.

ADDINGTON, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Blessed-Virgin.

On Wed., Nov. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 22 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Bootle Delight, Oxford T.B., Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B., Double Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 9 lb. in B.

Barbara G. Dale .. Treble	Roger W. Powell .. .. 4
Diana M. Frost .. .. 2	*Robert E. J. Dennis .. 5
Alan J. Frost .. .. 3	Richard O. Humphries .. Tenor

Conducted by Richard O. Humphries.

\* First peal 'inside.' Most Minor methods as conductor.

## THE MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD

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

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F.

Keith Scrimshaw .. Treble	†Clive Calton .. .. 5
Brian A. Tomlinson .. 2	David J. Baker .. .. 6
*Mary Browne .. .. 3	Robert J. Warrilow .. 7
†John Gander .. .. 4	Basil Jones .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by Basil Jones.

\* First peal of Cambridge. † First of Surprise.

Rung as a belated wedding compliment to John and Nancy Soanes.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

WILLESDEN, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Thurs., Nov. 19, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5038 GLASGOW SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in A.

Alick Cutler .. .. Treble	*John Hill .. .. 5
Joan Beresford .. .. 2	*G. William Critchley .. 6
*Claudia A. Critchley .. 3	*Jack S. Dear .. .. 7
*Dennis Knox .. .. 4	John R. Mayne .. .. Tenor

Composed by W. Eric Critchley.

Conducted by G. William Critchley.

\* First peal in the method.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

KINGSCLERE, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Tues., Nov. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES

Reginald W. Rex .. Treble	Ronald C. Christopher .. 5
John Pares .. .. 2	Arthur Sayers .. .. 6
Henry Lawrenson .. .. 3	William Butler .. .. 7
Walter Hunt .. .. 4	Geoffrey D. Weston .. .. Tenor

Composed by William Shipway.

Conducted by William Butler.

Rung to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the casting of the back six.

Tenor 15 cwt.

## BOOTLE DELIGHT:

x 56 x 16 x 56 x 36 x 34 x 36. 2nd's place i.e. 142635.

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**THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
SWYNNERTON, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.  
On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being 20 six-scores of Plain Bob, 16 six-scores of Grandsire, and three 240's of Grandsire.  
\*Caroline Stuart .. .. Treble    †Mandi McCallion .. .. 4  
†Lesley Kinston .. .. 2    †David C. Midgley .. .. 5  
G. Arnold Moore .. .. 3    William Watkin .. .. Tenor

Conducted by G. Arnold Moore.

\* First peal. † First in these two methods.

Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Valerie Mitchel.

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
FORNCETT ST. PETER, Norfolk.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Tues., Sept. 15, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being six extents each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Grandsire, Plain, St. Martin, St. Simon, Winchendon and St. Nicholas. Tenor 13 cwt.  
Charles H. Blake .. .. Treble    Frank C. J. Arnold .. .. 3  
C. Frank W. Phillips .. .. 2    H. William Barrett .. .. 4

Peter Adcock .. .. Tenor

Conducted by H. William Barrett.

Rung for the birth of a grandson, Leslie, of the treble ringer.

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
AMBROSDEN, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.  
On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb. in E flat.

Ernest G. Jones .. .. Treble    Anthony D. Sansom .. .. 5  
Barbara M. Butler .. .. 2    Christopher J. Groome .. .. 6  
\*David Floyd .. .. 3    Christopher C. Clarke .. .. 7  
Peter J. Heritage .. .. 4    Edward R. Venn .. .. Tenor

Composed by F. Nolan Golden.

Conducted by Edward R. Venn.

\* First peal on eight bells.

Rung as a 90th birthday compliment to Sir Winston S. Churchill.

**DORCHESTER-ON-THAMES, Oxfordshire.**—At the Abbey Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Heywood's Transposition of Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 16 cwt. in E.  
Helen J. Howes .. .. Treble    Andrew J. Howes .. .. 5  
Angela Ayres .. .. 2    Frank Absolom .. .. 6  
\*Geoffrey K. Cook .. .. 3    Robert B. Blond .. .. 7  
John Pladdys .. .. 4    †Douglas Exon .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Robert B. Blond.

\* First peal of Triples and Stedman. † First on eight bells.

**EAST HAGBOURNE, Berkshire.**—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 21½ cwt.  
William Hibbert .. .. Treble    Clifford J. Garlick .. .. 5  
Harry L. Bishop .. .. 2    Michael Bishop .. .. 6  
George W. Bishop .. .. 3    John H. Napper .. .. 7  
Alfred H. Webb .. .. 4    Leonard F. Cox .. .. Tenor

Conducted by John H. Napper.

Rung for the Patronal Festival.

**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
POTTERS PURY, Northants.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute,

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR**

Being seven extents in 30 methods, viz.: (1) Rossendale, Stamford, Annable's London, Lightfoot, Wearmouth and Netherseale, (2) Westminster and Allendale, (3) Northumberland, Carlisle and Sandiacre, (4) Chester, Newcastle, Alnwick and Munden, (5) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull, Primrose and Bourne, (6) Surfleet, Hexham, Durham, York, Berwick and Beverley, (7) London, Wells and Cuncestrate, with 108 changes of method. Tenor 13 cwt. 4 lb. in E.

Barry E. Saunders .. .. Treble    Alan A. Paul .. .. 4  
Graham C. Paul .. .. 2    Charles E. Truman .. .. 5  
Roger W. Smith .. .. 3    \*James Linnell .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Charles E. Truman.

\* 100th peal. First of 30 Spliced Surprise for all the band.

**THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
TROWBRIDGE, Wiltshire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 38 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5280 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS**

Tenor 24 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb. in D.

†Mrs. F. J. Marshallsay .. Treble    Frank L. Harris .. .. 7  
Edgar C. Shepherd .. .. 2    \*Gwilym Salmon .. .. 8  
James E. Daniels .. .. 3    John Hartless .. .. 9  
Michael J. Best .. .. 4    \*Edward J. Chivers .. .. 10  
Philip N. Tubbs .. .. 5    Ronald N. Marlow .. .. 11  
Lewis F. Cobb .. .. 6    Robert C. Kippin .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Frank L. Harris.

\* First peal of Maximus. † 100th of Surprise.

**THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**  
PENKRIDGE, Staffs.—At the Collegiate Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Thurs., Nov. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Thurstans' Four-Part. Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb.  
Eric E. Speake .. .. Treble    Clive M. Smith .. .. 5  
Lucy Smith .. .. 2    Richard J. Warrow .. .. 6  
\*Marlene E. Townsend .. 3    Edmund Malin .. .. 7  
Jeffrey B. Webb .. .. 4    Roy K. Mowforth .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Edmund Malin.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples. First as conductor.

Rung half-muffled in memoriam Bernard Cecil Robinson, formerly choirmaster, and secretary of the Parochial Church Council for over 20 years.

**THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**  
BEDDINGTON, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5050 STEDMAN CATERS**

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb.

Gillian R. Parsons .. .. Treble    Dennis Randall .. .. 6  
John Chilcott .. .. 2    David E. Parsons .. .. 7  
Frank E. Darby .. .. 3    John Hill .. .. 8  
Raymond E. Finch .. .. 4    Michael V. Chilcott .. .. 9  
John Schofield .. .. 5    Frank C. Price .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by John Chilcott.

Rung to welcome Helen Ruth, daughter of Michael and Kathleen Chilcott.

**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**  
LOWER BEEDING, Sussex.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Mon., Oct. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5024 QUEDGLEY SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 2 lb. in G.

E. Jane Sibson .. .. Treble    \*David Smith .. .. 5  
\*Edgar R. Rapley .. .. 2    Stanley G. Ponting .. .. 6  
William T. Beeson .. .. 3    \*Derek E. Sibson .. .. 7  
\*Robert Wake .. .. 4    \*W. Leslie Weller .. .. Tenor

Composed by R. F. B. Speed.

Conducted by W. Leslie Weller.

**TURNER'S HILL, Sussex.**—At the Church of St. Leonard.

On Tues., Nov. 10, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In seven methods, comprising 960 London, 928 Watford, 896 Bristol, 672 Cambridge, 640 Superlative, 608 Dorchester and 576 Pudsey, with 125 changes of method, and all the work of each method for every bell. Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 27 lb. in F.

Leonard Stilwell .. .. Treble    \*George Francis .. .. 5  
E. Jane Sibson .. .. 2    Ronald F. Diserens .. .. 6  
Patricia Diserens .. .. 3    Derek E. Sibson .. .. 7  
Edgar R. Rapley .. .. 4    \*W. Leslie Weller .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.

**ARUNDEL, Sussex.**—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Mon., Nov. 16, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 4 lb. in F.

George Francis .. .. Treble    Leonard Stilwell .. .. 5  
Michael J. Wake .. .. 2    Henry C. Weaver .. .. 6  
Edgar R. Rapley .. .. 3    Ronald F. Diserens .. .. 7  
Philip Stevens .. .. 4    Robert Wake .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Robert Wake.

First peal as conductor of Major. Treble ringer has now 'circled the tower.'

Rung to mark the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. R. Wake.

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
KINGSTON-UPON-HULL, Yorkshire.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes,

**A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE ROYAL**

In 36 methods, being 240 each of Albanian, Cambridge, Lincolnshire, London No. 3, Rutland and Yorkshire, and 120 each of Abergavenny, Abingdon, Banbury, Belgrave, Bromsgrove, Cilfton, Coalbrookdale, Enniskillen, Goldsborough, Haslemere, Inveraray, Leek, Limerick, Lindsey, Marsden, Mirfield, Oakham, Ossett, Prittlewell, Pudsey, Ranmoor, Selby, Shrewsbury, Staffordshire, Sunderland, Wembley, Whitby, Wrexham, Yeovil and York, with 125 changes of method. Tenor 26 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in D.

Neil Donovan .. .. Treble    Vernon Bottomley .. .. 6  
Jeanne E. Bottomley .. .. 2    Gordon Benfield .. .. 7  
W. Eric Critchley .. .. 3    Wilfrid F. Moreton .. .. 8  
Donald H. Niblett .. .. 4    John N. D. Chaddock .. .. 9  
J. Henry Fielden .. .. 5    Richard E. Price .. .. Tenor

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**BUCKFAST ABBEY, DEVON.**—On Nov. 28th, 2,520 Grandsire Doubles: K. E. Fursdon (longest length) 1, Miss M. Russell 2, A. L. Bennett 3, B. Shingler 4, A. F. Lee (cond.) 5, Rev. D. P. Angold 6. A birthday compliment to the ringer of third.

**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—On Nov. 22nd, 1,440 Norwich Surprise Minor: Katharine M. Guy 1, Carol Cousins 2, E. Godfrey 3, Margaret C. Godfrey 4, C. H. Macve 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6.

**ADELAIDE, SOUTH AUSTRALIA.**—On Oct. 18th, at St. Peter's Cathedral, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. O. Goulter (first of Stedman) 1, Kaye Lynas (first of Stedman) 2, F. N. Smeaton 3, B. R. Cox 4, W. B. Pitcher (first as Stedman as cond.) 5, R. K. Russ 6, D. J. Bieby (first of Stedman Triples) 7, R. A. S. Adams 8.

**ALDERTON, NORTHANTS.**—On Nov. 27th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: G. Kingston 1, Pauline Kingston 2, Daphne Webb 3, Della Langton (first 'inside') 4, R. W. Smith (cond.) 5.

**BALDOCK, HERTS.**—On Nov. 25th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: A. Buck 1, A. Mayes (first in the method) 2, P. Salisbury 3, S. Hutton 4, L. Hughes 5, C. Harwood 6, E. Buck 7, M. Orme (cond.) 8. Rung for Confirmation.

**BALLARAT, VICTORIA.**—On Nov. 22nd, at City Hall, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: W. B. Pitcher 1, C. H. Bagot 2, Enid L. Roberts 3, R. G. Turner 4, G. W. Heyes 5, R. K. Russ 6, G. Dickens (first of Major) 7, T. W. Goodyer (cond.) 8. **BEXHILL-ON-SEA, SUSSEX.**—On Oct. 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (6, 8 covering): B. J. Vitter 1, A. Hicks (cond.) 3, L. Cooksey 4, J. M. Swift 5, C. F. Pilbeam 6, C. Verdon 7, R. A. Vitter 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Bishop Crabbe, who died October 22nd.

**BIGGLESWADE, BEDS.**—On Nov. 18th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. M. F. Hills (first quarter) 1, Sheila I. Smith 2, D. G. Carr 3, F. H. Briscoe 4, P. G. Smith 5, A. S. Smith (cond.) 6.

**BRANCEPETH, CO. DURHAM.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Stubbs 1, Sally Buchanan 2, B. Ridges 3, Janet Somerville 4, P. W. Darby 5, J. O. Freeman (first as cond.) 6.

**BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.**—At St. Nicholas' Church, on Nov. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Martin 1, S. Brown 2, D. Hunns 3, S. Armstrong 4, R. Peckham (first of Triples) 5, J. Norris (cond.) 6, V. Sheppard 7, R. Walters (first quarter) 8. By friends and pupils of Harry Stallham, died Nov. 29th, 1963. **BRINDLE, LANCs.**—On Nov. 20th, 1,380 Plain Bob Minor: J. Nelson (cond.) 1, W. H. Hunter 2, G. Mee 3, D. Marsden 4, L. Walmsley 5, J. E. Summer 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Fred Blackledge, a ringer at this church for many years.

**BROADCLYST, DEVON.**—On Nov. 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Miss M. Retter 1, Miss V. Look 2, J. Salway 3, Mrs. G. E. Retter 4, E. E. Retter 5, A. Holway 6, G. E. Retter (cond.) 7, E. R. Retter 8. **BROMLEY, KENT.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: H. Rooke (first quarter) 1, Hilda Oakshett 3, F. H. Gates 4, P. J. Spice 5, R. T. Newman 6, M. F. Oakshett (cond.) 7, Sally L. Behenna (covering) 8.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—At St. Mary-the-Great, on Nov. 4th, 1,323 Stedman Cinques: R. M. Damerell 1, P. M. Wilkinson 2, C. H. Rogers 3, J. M. H. Hunter 4, K. J. Darvill 5, S. P. Darvill 6, C. M. Press 7, G. H. Jones 8, K. J. Triplow 9, S. C. Walters (cond.) 10, B. D. Threlfall 11, F. C. Hobson 12.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—At St. Andrew-the-Great, on Nov. 8th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: K. J. Darvill 1, K. J. Triplow 2, P. M. Wilkinson 3, C. M. Press 4, R. W. H. Hayes 5, J. A. Harrison 6, S. C. Walters (cond.) 7, C. H. Rogers 8. Half-muffled for Remembrance Sunday. Also on Nov. 29th, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: S. C. Walters 1, C. M. Press 2, J. B. Cooke (first 'inside') 3, R. M. Damerell 4, K. J. Triplow 5, J. A. Harrison (cond.) 6.

**CANTERBURY, KENT.**—At the Cathedral, on Nov. 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Frances Templeman 1, Raphael Sinden 2, G. Neilson 3, B. J. Luck 4, T. C. Phillimore 5, D. A. Chapman 6, T. H. Holmes (cond.) 7, A. F. Davies 8. First on eight bells 1 and 3.

**CLYST HONITON, DEVON.**—On Nov. 15th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: Miss V. Look 1, R. Woodley 2, Mrs. R. Woodley (first in method) 3, Mrs. G. E. Retter 4, E. E. Retter 5, G. E. Retter (cond.) 6, A. Holway 7, A. Tapley 8. For Evensong.

**DEFFORD, WORCS.**—On Nov. 22nd, 1,272 Plain Bob Minimus: A. C. Berry 1, J. Firkins 2, J. E. Whittall 3, R. J. Adams 4.

**EAST RETFORD, NOTTS.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Linda Wilkinson (first quarter of Minor) 1, Mary C. Poyner 2, Doreen Metcalfe 3, P. Vincent 4, J. Coates 5, H. Poyner (cond.) 6. For Advent Sunday.

## QUARTER PEALS

**FROME, SOMERSET.**—On Advent Sunday, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Eunice D. Overend 1, D. G. Massey 2, D. T. H. Robertson 3, W. H. Mills 4, P. Bray 5, G. W. Massey 6, R. E. J. Baker (cond.) 7, H. Vennell 8. Rung following Confirmation service.

**GRANTHAM, Lincs.**—On Nov. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. A. Slight 1, G. J. N. Colborne 2, F. W. Pinchbeck 3, J. W. Watson 4, D. A. Frith (cond.) 5, H. R. Woods 6, D. R. Baxter 7, D. J. Hopkinson 8. First of Triples 2 and 7. For Remembrance Sunday.

**HEMYOCK, DEVON.**—On Oct. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: F. C. Taylor 1, L. V. Morriel 2, L. Mutter 3, G. Hutching 4, W. R. Trickey (cond.) 5, P. C. D. Head 6. For the conductor's birthday.

**HUNTON, DEVON.**—On Nov. 14th, 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: Mrs. G. E. Retter 1, C. Webb 2, Miss G. Mooring 3, C. C. Turner 4, W. Webb 5, A. Holway 6, G. E. Retter (cond.) 7, J. Real 8.

**ICKLETON, CAMBS.**—On Nov. 28th, 1,248 Cambridge Surprise Major: R. D. Bellamy 1, J. S. Rank 2, P. Woolven 3, G. E. Bonham 4, B. G. North 5, D. R. Sanderson 6, J. G. Gipson 7, P. Mehew (cond.) 8.

**KELVEDON, ESSEX.**—On Nov. 18th, 1,320 Oxford T.B. Minor: J. Papworth 1, F. Whiterod 2, A. Hunwick 3, E. Coulsdon 4, C. Burton 5, A. Elliott (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Sidney C. Smith, a chorister at this church, interred this day.

**KILBRUN, LONDON.**—1,280 Spliced Surprise Major (Bristol, London, Rutland, Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative, Yorkshire): Miss C. Carpenter 1, A. N. Stubbs 2, L. R. H. Smith 3, D. A. H. Bennett 4, Miss C. C. Macnair 5, D. T. Darby 6, R. N. Harris 7, R. B. Meadows (cond.) 8.

**KIMPTON, HERTS.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: I. Desborough (first quarter) 1, Diane Angell 2, F. J. Lee 3, Helen Price 4, J. G. Cull (cond.) 5, D. C. Price 6. For Parish Communion service.

**KING'S LANGLEY, HERTS.**—On Nov. 22nd, 1,400 Double Court Bob Minor: D. A. Bedford 1, B. M. Barker 2, R. W. Picton 3, P. W. Harper 4, R. J. Picton 5, K. D. Waples (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**KNOWLE, WARWICKS.**—On Nov. 21st, 1,320 Grandsire Doubles: G. Paget (first quarter) 1, Barbara Sawden (first quarter) 2, G. Cox 3, Merryin Hutchings 4, G. Lightfoot (cond.) 5, R. Hutchings 6. A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. M. Lawrence on the birth of a son.

**LOUGHTON, ESSEX.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. C. White 1, H. Corney 2, Miss M. Roden 3, R. Burbury 4, K. Gardiner 5, F. Tomlin 6, D. Riley (cond.) 7, E. Smith 8. Thanksgiving for diocesan golden jubilee.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On Nov. 30th, 1,260 Doubles (in three methods): Elizabeth Todd 1, Myrtle Cook 2, B. L. Marks 3, H. P. Yates 4, R. P. Brotherton (cond.) 5, A. Neilson 6. For consecration of Bishop of Dover.

**MALMESBURY, WILTS.**—On Nov. 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. E. Billings 1, J. Mace 2, H. G. Blanchard 3, H. Heath 4, H. E. Blacker (cond.) 5, D. Comley 6. Rung as a compliment to Miss V. Luce, on the eve of her 90th birthday.

**MANCHESTER.**—At the Cathedral, on Nov. 27th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: D. Frost (first of Major) 1, Mary Walshaw 2, F. Barraclough 3, M. Radcliffe (first 'inside') 4, D. Barraclough (first of Major) 5, A. Keen (first of Major) 6, A. Ward 7, M. Young (first of Major as cond.) 8. Rung to welcome Canon A. Jowett, installed this afternoon as Dean of Manchester Cathedral.

**MARKET WEIGHTON, E. YORKS.**—On Nov. 28th, 1,320 Doubles (nine methods): I. Johnson 1, R. Aldington 2, P. Thompson 3, E. P. King 4, M. King (cond.) 5, T. Brighton 6. First in nine Doubles methods 2, 3 and 6.

**NEATH, GLAMORGAN.**—On June 14th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Lynda Williams 1, R. Hosking 2, H. Boyce 3, G. I. Lewis (cond.) 4, J. M. Hughes 5, R. Powell 6. For Sung Eucharist. Also on Sept. 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Rhys Asher 1, J. M. Hughes 2, Lynda Williams 3, R. Hosking 4, H. Boyce (cond.) 5, J. Locke 6. For Sunday morning service. Also on Oct. 25th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Lynda Williams 1, E. N. Thomas 2, R. Hosking 3, H. Boyce (cond.) 4, J. M. Hughes 5, E. Morris 6.

**NAILSEA, SOMERSET.**—On Nov. 17th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: H. Hardwidge 1, W. P. Blake 2, B. Williams 3, J. Brain 4, S. Lewis 5, L. Derrick (cond.) 6.

**PERSHORE, WORCS.**—On Nov. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. G. Bateman 1, Miss A. Collet 2, J. H. Firkins 3, A. I. Lloyd 4, J. Attwood 5, J. Attwood, jun. 6, A. C. Berry (cond.) 7, E. W. Bick 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. G. Bramford, churchwarden and church worker for 32 years.

**ROUGHAM, SUFFOLK.**—On Nov. 25th, 1,260 Minor (College Single Reverse and Plain Bob): H. J. Culpin 1, L. Wright 2, R. Rose 3, L. J. Nice 4, R. H. Rogers 5, M. J. Rose (cond.) 6.

**SOUTHWARK, LONDON.**—At the Cathedral, on Nov. 22nd, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: D. E. Rothera 1, R. A. Yeates 2, G. C. Paul 3, R. D. Bailey 4, R. Tomlin 5, J. R. Ketteringham (cond.) 6, D. Ellisdon 7, R. J. Moore 8, P. J. Rothera 9, D. Hewitt 10. For Evensong.

**SOUTHWELL, NOTTS.**—On July 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Katharine Burchall 1, Grace Burchall 2, Anne E. Bateson 3, Beryl N. Reed 4, Margaret E. Chilton 5, D. Parsons 6, A. E. Chilton 7, C. W. Reed 8, W. N. Brown 9, J. R. Pratchett (cond.) 10.

**STANWICK, NORTHANTS.**—On Nov. 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Sarah Goodbody 1, B. Vickers 2, R. Cowley 3, E. Buckby 4, T. Smith 5, D. Pearson (cond.) 6.

**STOKE BISHOP, BRISTOL.**—On Nov. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Gillian Thomas (first quarter) 1, Valerie Vincent 2, Edith Brocklehurst 3, R. Brocklehurst 4, P. Gray (cond.) 5, D. Bentley 6. For Evensong.

**STOULTON, WORCS.**—At the Campanile, on Nov. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. Shepherd 1, A. A. Jopp 2, A. C. Berry (cond.) 3, I. Lloyd 4, J. Attwood, jun. 5, Miss R. Porter 6.

**SUTTON-ON-HULL, E. YORKS.**—On Nov. 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Mathers 1, Iris E. Piper 2, Janet I. Porter (cond.) 3, H. Rodmell 4, T. W. Thirkell 5, C. R. Robinson 6. A compliment to H. Rodmell on his 85th birthday.

**TOPSHAM, DEVON.**—On Nov. 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Ann Giles 1, Valerie E. Mellish 2, K. G. E. Wannell (cond.) 3, W. F. Bye 4, J. D. Walker (first 'inside') 5, R. Berry 6.

**TOTTENHAM, MIDDx.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Dorothea Robotham 1, Anne Horsford 2, D. E. Rothera 3, R. A. Yeates 4, J. R. Ketteringham (cond.) 5, R. J. Moore 6. For Evensong.

**TRURO, CORNWALL.**—At the Cathedral, on Oct. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. A. Trethewey 1, B. J. Sautelle-Smith (first quarter) 2, Mary Carveth 3, V. Mary Matthews 4, A. F. Burley 5, D. Burnett 6, A. Carveth (cond.) 7, A. J. Davidson 8. Rung immediately before lowering the bells for rehousing.

**TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH, SOMERSET.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods, with 7, 6, 8 covering): R. L. Coles (14) 1, J. R. Hobbs 2, Shirley A. Cox (13) 3, A. F. Lee (cond.) 4, D. A. Burt 5, J. H. Thompson (12) 6, I. P. Cox (13) 7, M. J. Hawkins (14) 8. First in three methods by all except 4 and 5. To welcome Rev. John Johnson as Vicar and Mrs. Johnson.

**WHATTON-IN-THE-VALE, NOTTS.**—On Nov. 26th, 1,260 Minor (Single Oxford and Plain Bob): Cynthia L. Ward (first quarter) 1, Pamela C. Clarke 2, W. L. Exton (cond.) 3, J. D. Clarke 4, T. G. Goodwin 5, T. O. Greasley 6.

**WIMBLEDON, SURREY.**—On Oct. 18th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: Elizabeth Zass (first of Stedman) 1, Rosamund Rawlings 2, Vanessa Rodrigues 3, A. Bagworth 4, M. Bingham (cond.) 5, Judith Geiringer 6. Also on Nov. 22nd, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: Elizabeth Zass (first of T.B. Major) 1, Vanessa Rodrigues 2, Alison Mann 3, Rosamund Rawlings 4, A. Bishop 5, Deborah Hopkins 6, M. Bingham (cond.) 7, A. Bagworth 8. In memory of J. F. Kennedy, late president of the U.S.A.

**WOOD GREEN, LONDON, N.**—On Nov. 23rd, 1,260 Minor (Single Oxford, Plain Bob): W. Vince 1, D. Whitaker 2, Miss J. Spreadbury 3, W. Wainwright 4, M. Medley 5, A. Spreadbury (cond.) 6. First extent Single Oxford 2, 3 and 4. A second birthday compliment to Andrew, son of the conductor.

**WORCESTER.**—On Nov. 15th, at All Saints Church, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: P. Cattermole 1, A. P. White 2, D. G. Franklin 3, M. R. Ashmore 4, M. J. Robinson (cond.) 5, T. A. Grundy 6. For Matins, by members of the King's School Society of Change Ringers.

**WORLE, SOMERSET.**—On Nov. 10th, 1,260 St. Martin's Doubles: W. Lovell 1, S. Lewis 2, J. Lambard 3, J. Coombs 4, G. Prescott (cond.) 5, G. Kingdom 6. First in method by all the band. Rung on the eve of the Patronal Festival.



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### IN MEMORIAM

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LANCS ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch.—Meeting, Saturday, December 12th, at Emmanuel, Everton. Ringing 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m., tea 5 p.m. Names to Rev. J. H. Mayoh, 30, Carstairs Road, Liverpool 6. 5889

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CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wirral Branch.—Neston, December 19th. Bells (8) 4 p.m., service 5.30. Tea free for those notifying by Thursday previous.—Alexander J. Martin, 28, Glenmore Road, Oxtion, Birkenhead. 5915

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Coventry District.—Meeting at Rugby on Saturday, December 19th (evening only). Bells (8) from 6.30 p.m. 5893

EAST DERBYS AND WEST NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—Evening meeting at North Wingfield, December 19th. Bells available from 5.30 to 8.30 p.m. Evensong at 6.45 p.m.—T. H. Radford, Hon. Sec. 5900

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Derby.—A.G.M. at St. Peter's, Derby on December 19th, at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to M. A. Willis, 33, Gisborne Close, Mickleover, Derby. 5897

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting Downham Market, Saturday, December 19th. Bells (8) 2.30, service 4.30. Names for tea by 17th please, to Mr. E. Mastin, St. Edmunds Road, Downham Market. 5908

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—Harpenden, December 19th. Bells (8) 3 p.m., tea 5 p.m., Evensong 6.30 p.m. Ringing afterwards until 8 p.m. Names for tea to M. A. Coburn, 3, Lea Road, Harpenden. (No name no tea.)—M. A. Coburn. 5907

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Market Harborough District.—Evening meeting, Saturday, December 19th. 6 p.m. at Great Glenn.—L. W. Allen, Dis. Sec. 5917



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**WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD**.—Winchester District.—Quarterly at Old Alresford, Dec. 19th, at 2.30 p.m. Names for tea by Monday previous to J. Huggins, 3, Green Close, Old Alresford, Hants. 5865

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION**.—Eastern District.—Quarterly meeting at Snaith (8), Sat., Dec. 19th. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in Old Grammar School, Snaith at 5 p.m. Bring own food, cups of tea provided. Carlton bells (6) available 6.15 to 8.45 p.m. Buses run hourly from Selby and Goole.—H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec.

## GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

The Guildford District's nomination meeting on December 5th at Womersley and Bramley attracted representatives from nine towers. A nomination was received for each office. Mr. W. Savill, of Stoke, was proposed as Ringing Master, but made the request that Mr. L. Hunter, who was absent owing to illness, should be urged to reconsider his decision not to stand again for this office. The new hon. secretary and treasurer is Mr. J. H. Payton, who is now tower captain at Chidfold.

## OBITUARY

**MR. GORDON LEE**

On October 18th, the Billesdon ringers received the tragic news of the death of Mr. Gordon Lee at the comparatively early age of 38. Although he had not been well for a few weeks, his death came as a great shock.

Gordon was a very reliable, regular service ringer and his presence will be greatly missed.

The bells were rung half-muffled in his memory on the following Thursday evening after the funeral. J.J.P.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES FIRST DINNER IN LIVING MEMORY

THE first dinner of the Midland Counties Guild in the memory of any living member was held at the Midland Hotel, Burton-upon-Trent, on November 18th, and over 70 members and friends from the counties of Stafford, Derby, Leicester, Warwick and Salop attended. It is hoped to make the event an annual fixture.

Unfortunately neither the president, Mr. Ben Worthington, of Pontiland, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, nor the Vice-President, Rev. W. V. G. Griffiths, Vicar of Burton, could attend and Mrs. Griffiths, the wife of the latter, presided.

The toast of 'The Church and State' was proposed by Mr. D. J. Leach, of St. Paul's, Burton-upon-Trent, who said there was a close and deep association between the Church and the State—a closeness which was apparent in everyday life. The campanologist derived great satisfaction from bell ringing and because of its close association with the Church, the spiritual aspect gave full meaning to any labour demanded of bell ringers.

In what is termed a material world we have knowledge of what is meant by the welfare state and the practical facilities obtained. Old Age Pensions, medical attention and other government legislation in which care was given to the children were examples but the full effects of these benefits could not be measured in their entirety unless people had the moral support of the Church.

Nothing was perfect, he said, and in these days where one reads of violence and other matters which contravened man-made laws, there could only be expected improvement in both worldly affairs and the domestic issue providing advantage was taken of the spiritual and moral uplift which could be gained from the Christian Church.

The Rev. T. Villiers replied and said that the Church was not dead despite what people said but there was a restlessness which was a healthy sign of an active Church. He emphasised that this restlessness must be directed into the right channels so that people could be brought to realise fully the importance of God.

He instructed the bell ringers to carry on ringing, for as people heard the bells ring out they knew there stood a house of God as a continual reminder that God was among his people. He said if they worked together—and he was sure they would—they would provide a country where both body and soul were cared for.

The toast of 'The Midland Counties Guild' was proposed by Mrs. T. Pryce, the wife of the auditor to the Guild and long standing member of St. Modwen's, Burton. Mrs. Pryce pointed out that this was the first time members and friends of the Guild had gathered together for a dinner and she hoped it would not be the last. She pointed out that the Guild needed the full support of all its members and also welcomed new ones. It was most important for the bell ringers to show their loyalty and let people know there was a Church there, and it was alive.

Replying to the toast Mr. G. Roobotham, a member of both Sudbury Parish Church and St. Paul's, Burton, said the old Midland Counties Association was formed about 1875 by the present president's grandfather, Mr. W. H. Worthington. After quite a long life, that association was dissolved and the present one formed and from what information he could obtain this was indeed the very first annual dinner of either Guild or Association. He was very pleased to see so many people present and thanked the bell ringers, widows and/or widowers (Saturday afternoon and evening or perhaps two evenings per week) for faithfully supporting their partners. He also thanked the honorary members and many other friends of the Guild for attending on this occasion.

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## HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

### Watford District Awakes

A very well attended meeting was held at Rickmansworth on November 28th. This was very heartening as it followed a general meeting the previous month to discuss the future of the District. It appears, however, that the District is far from dead but has just been asleep.

The awakening was enjoyed by all who attended. Ringing ranged from rounds to Cambridge Royal and Spiced Surprise Major. At the meeting it was decided to hold a practice meeting at Bushey on January 9th and a full meeting at Elstree and Aldenham on May 1st. Evensong was attended after the meeting and ringing followed up to 8 p.m.

During the evening we had an influx of members from the Western and St. Albans Districts who were feeling the effects of a football match in the afternoon. This influx led to an impromptu darts tournament in the nearby hostelry, but the writer is unable to report the result as he left after the defeat of the home District. G. W. S.

## ITCHEN COURT BOB ROYAL

5040 by F. H. Dexter

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## LATE NOTICES

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION**—Luton District.—Meeting Toddington, Saturday, December 19th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Short service 4.30. Tea 5. Names for tea by Thursday, 17th, to Mr. I. Pett, The Square, Toddington. Westoning bells after 6 p.m. 5921

**ROMFORD, ESSEX**.—Intending visitors please note. As from the New Year the local band will be making quarter peal attempts on the first Sunday and third Tuesday in each month. 5918



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First rung at Stoke, Coventry, April 25th, 1964.

## 5,216 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

By JOHN R. KETTERINGHAM

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Rung at Barnes on January 10th, 1964.

MARLBOROUGH, WILTS.—On Nov. 29th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: A. Johnson 1, R. Garratt 2, R. Green 3, R. Court 4, D. Carr 5, M. Stanley 6, Rev. R. Keeley (cond.) 7, R. Inglis 8. First of Major 1, 2 and 4.

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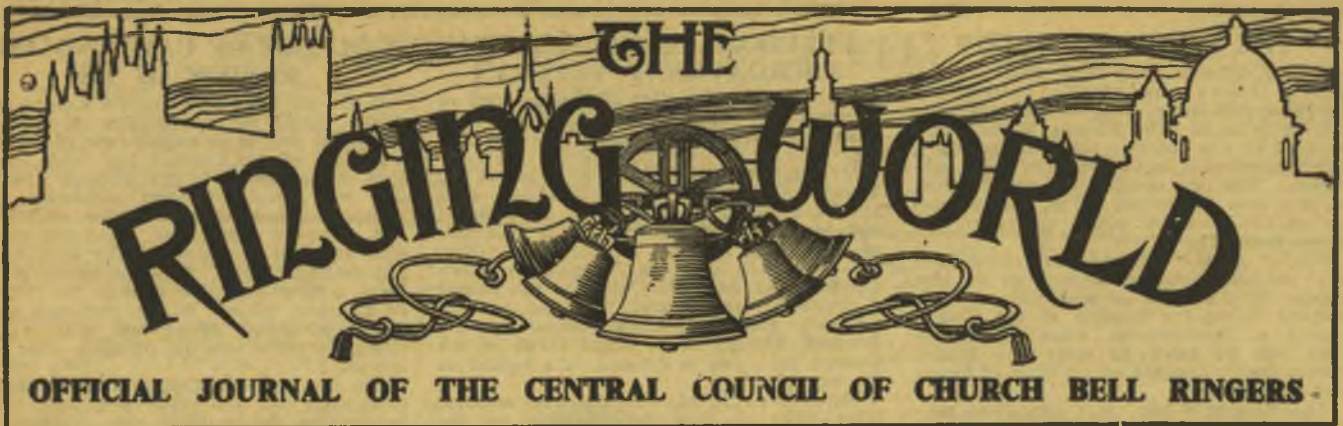
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## CHRISTMAS PEACE AND GOODWILL

**I**N a variety of ways, by Christmas cards and through the medium of 'The Ringing World,' most ringers will be exchanging greetings at this time. It is nice to be remembered; and that fellowship with one another, however far apart we may be, is something to be treasured and extended. That is why God sent His Son to be born into human life. 'That they all may be one.' Jesus Christ was born to be the centre of the human race, that all life should draw its inspiration from Him and all people be drawn together in Him. There lies the main truth which Christmas ought to bring home to everyone.

But in this twentieth century, widely as Christianity has penetrated through the world, how very far yet we seem to be from achieving unity amongst ourselves, among States and races! Events point to the unwelcome fact where peoples are granted independence, and the more they seek to be self-governing the less are they ready to become more peaceful, or brotherly, or willing to advance in the understanding of one another.

So, year by year, how urgently we need to be taken back to first principles; to the origin of the Christmas we profess to celebrate; to the nature of the God we profess to worship. For that alone will give the real character and the sincerity to our greetings.

While we may, naturally, be primarily concerned with the keeping of Christmas in our homes our gatherings together, thinking too of absent members, ought to result in the deepening of family ties, of the family feeling; the more so if we share, as a family, in the worship of the Church on Christmas Day. It should be impossible to conceive of any wrangling, or exhibition of selfish temper; indeed anything that breaks the fellowship at such a time. And if not then, **neither at any other time.** For the essence of Christmas—as Christian people are expected to have learnt it—is something to be implemented, carried into action, in all succeeding days and years. Which means the conscious unceasing cultivation of all things that are honest, true, pure and lovely in our own and other people's lives. There is no other way by which animosities can be buried, disagreements resolved and peaceful situations brought into being. There is no other name but that of Jesus Christ, given under heaven, whereby man—i.e., the world of men—can be reconciled and saved. So St. Peter, by his complete faith in the Incarnation and his intimate knowledge of its consequences, could say to the impotent man at the Beautiful Gate of the Temple, 'Silver and gold have I none, but such as I have give I thee: In the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.' And, as it came to pass, was not that like new birth for that man?

Well then, what other aim ought we to have as we give our Christmas greetings: as we call people by the bells to the worship of the Son of God, than just this? To spread the knowledge of the Prince of Peace, to prove the fact of His birth and its outcome, not only in our immediate circle; but by our faith, prayers and example to create a new outlook for all who make for tension and strife, as also for all who are suffering under conditions of helplessness, ignorance, sorrow and fear?

One must emphasise that if our Lord demands anything from His servants, from ringers, or associations of ringers, it is nothing less than that self-restraint which characterised His childhood and subsequent Ministry; nothing less than submission of will which did nothing to lower His dignity, but enhanced the value of His example and teaching every moment.

'Such as I have give I thee!' Can one imagine a more significant greeting than that? Something I have to give which no money in the world can buy. That particular control, or in-

fluence, by which, somewhere, somehow, I can make all the difference between bitterness and happiness, between greed and contentment, between despair and hope, between impotence and active service, between strife and peace, between animosity and goodwill. From whence then is this which, as a Christian, I have to give; which can change the outlook for anyone today and tomorrow? And the Christian answer down the centuries is the Christmas revelation, ever new and wonderful as ever. 'Unto you is born this day . . . a Saviour which is Christ the Lord.' 'God so loved the world that He GAVE.'

Among all the worldly distractions of Christmas festivities nothing could be more profitable than to contemplate and grasp anew the Truth as it was in the beginning; to think back to the centre where all spiritual energy is generated—for radiation to all sorts and conditions of men: where the Love which is God flows out in fullest measure as the source of peace and goodwill everywhere. It will follow, therefore, that when, say, controversies arise they can be conducted without acrimony; where something regrettable is spoken, or written, in the heat of the moment an apology can quickly result; when any breach occurs it is never unhealable. Christmas Day can, and should, make that very sure, not only today but for all time 'until the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.'

With all that in mind our heartiest wishes go out to all our readers for a truly happy Christmas and a New Year full of spiritual health and bright promise.

C. C. C.

## 'THE RINGING WORLD'

**Y**OUR committee seldom trespass on the limited space of 'The Ringing World,' for at all times your Editor finds himself with more copy than can be compressed into the pages of a normal issue. At intervals it is necessary to reduce the accumulation of peals and news by a 'twenty-four page' paper, but the number of such issues are restricted by economic conditions. These, however, are normal administrative problems, and the purpose of now claiming your attention goes rather deeper—the economics of carrying on the paper without or with as little loss as possible. At all times these days in our ordinary everyday activities, we are beset with increasing costs; be it in business or at home and 'The Ringing World' is no exception to this inflationary spiral.

The Printing Trade Wages Agreement of 1962 provided for increases of wages in January, 1964, and January, 1965, the latter coupled with the granting of a third week's holiday and a large Cost of Living bonus. Our printers advised your committee that printing costs for 1964 would not be raised but they now inform us that unfortunately the further extra costs to be met from January 1st, 1965, cannot be absorbed by themselves and a proportion of these additional expenses must be passed on to their customers.

This addition to our outlay is not the only one with which we are faced, as the Government has already announced that postage rates must go up, but as yet no indication has been forthcoming as to the size of this increase, although it is also anticipated in January next. Further, it is quite within the bounds of probability that there may be an increase in the cost of paper.

One of the axioms of prudent business economics is to anticipate possible losses but not profits and it is along these lines your committee have considered the position now presented. In the

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light of known and possible contingencies they have reluctantly come to the conclusion that the price of 'The Ringing World' must be raised by one penny to ninepence per copy, with proportionate adjustments for postal subscribers. The new charges will operate from the first issue in January, 1965, and particulars of the rates for postal copies are set out on page 851.

Whether or not the additional charge will cover the extra outgoings depends on the new postage rates, but the position will again be reviewed before the meeting of the Central Council at Northampton, when the opportunity will be taken to make any further announcements required on the basis of figures then available.

'The Ringing World' is a specialised publication with a limited circulation and your committee once more stress that the scale of an extra 1,000 copies per week would go far to resolving many financial problems. Readers themselves could do much to publicise the advantage of taking 'The Ringing World' and if only one in five secured a new regular subscriber our 'thousand' could be achieved.

The committee thank all our regulars for their support and again appeal to those who 'look over' to get their own copy. Ringers generally must realise what a serious blow the Exercise would suffer if 'The Ringing World' was to go out and after all the weekly cost is very modest.

For your support in the past you have been thanked, for the present we now thank you, and for the future we hope to thank you,

R. S. A.

## AN INTERESTING FOUR AT LINCOLN

St. Mary-le-Wigford Church, Lincoln, has four bells over 300 years old and here on November 29th a quarter peal of Plain Bob Minimus was rung by S. D. Etccll 1 D. M. A. Noble 2, J. Clarke 3, A. W. Froggatt (cond.) 4.

As far as can be ascertained, writes A. W. Froggatt, there have been no previous peals or quarters on the bells. The treble and second were cast by George Oldfield in 1636 and 3 and 4 by Henry Oldfield in 1616. They are the front four of a six, but again there seems to have been no more than four bells at the church.

They were rehung, tuned and quarter turned by John Taylor and Co. in 1932. The old wooden frame is still in the tower some eight feet above the present level. The tower is Saxon and is approximately 1,000 years old.

The weights of the bells are given as treble 4 cwt. 26 lb.; second, 4 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb.; third, 5 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb.; tenor, 6 cwt. 1 qr. 17 lb. (note A).

## OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

Oxford University Society held its annual meeting on December 1st when the following new officers were elected:—Master: B. H. Wakefield (Pembroke); secretaries, Miss H. F. Pardoe (St. Anne's) and R. M. Heyworth (University); treasurer, P. A. Brand (Magdalen); steeplekeepers, T. J. Burchell (New College) and A. P. Foster (St. John's).

The proposed amendment to rule 10 (b) did not gain a two-third majority and was therefore defeated. The result is that people not matriculated at the University cannot become full members of the Society, in that they cannot ring peals for it. Many people felt that to open membership to those at affiliated Colleges would be to destroy the Society as a University Society.

## FREEDOM CONFERRED ON ABERGAVENNY VETERAN

The Honorary Freedom of the Borough of Abergavenny, Monmouthshire, was conferred upon Mr. William Horsington on December 3rd.

Mr. Horsington has been a ringer at St. Mary's, Abergavenny, since 1898 and soon afterwards became a member of the Llandaff and Monmouth Association. He is now one of the oldest members of that Association. His association with the Abergavenny Town Council dates since 1913, when he was elected a councillor, for several years he was an alderman and three times Mayor of the Borough. Though he no longer serves on the Council he is still in business as a builder at the age of 83.

Members of St. Mary's band were amongst those who witnessed the ceremony in the Town Hall. Well deserved tributes were paid by the Mayor, the Town Clerk and the President of the local branch of the Builders' Association. Tribute was also paid on behalf of the ringers by the Rev. I. J. Richards, Rural Dean of Raglan and Treasurer of the Llandaff and Monmouth Association.

He referred to Mr. Horsington's long service to the belfry at St. Mary's, Abergavenny, and how he had maintained his close connection with the Church despite the many claims of responsible public life.

In his younger days he and his brother and their friends formed a handbell band and provided much pleasure with tune ringing at concerts in villages surrounding Abergavenny. Later his son was a member of the handbell band and is also a ringer at St. Mary's. Some may remember their broadcast in 'Country Magazine' several years ago. Recently he was proud to ring on the bells of St. Mary's with his son and granddaughter. We congratulate him on his long and loyal service to his church and tower.

I. J. R.

## SOUTHAMPTON UNIVERSITY GUILD

On November 28th, members of the Southampton University Guild of Change Ringers were joined by several past members and visitors in a day of ringing at various churches in and around Southampton. After a service at North Stoneham Church, conducted by the Rev. John Pibworth, they made their way to the 'Mayflower Room,' Royal Pier, Southampton, where the fourth annual dinner was held.

After an excellent meal, the Master of Ceremonies, Mr. A. J. Luxford, proposed the loyal toast. The Guild secretary, Miss R. J. Kemp, welcomed Canon K. W. H. Felstead and the Rev. John Pibworth, and expressed the Guild's thanks for their help and co-operation during the past year. She then proposed the toast of 'The Church.'

In reply Canon Felstead, Master of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild, spoke of the link between the church and those who rang the bells and emphasised the Christian duties of ringers.

Mr. P. J. Joyce proposed the toast of 'The Visitors,' and said how pleased he was to see so many people at the dinner. Those present included representatives from Sussex University, from London, Manchester and Nottingham, as well as past members of the Guild and local ringers.

Mr. M. J. Thomas replied to the toast and said that local ringers were grateful for the support of the S.U.G.C.R. in Sunday service ringing in Southampton. He then proposed the toast of 'The Guild.'

The Master of the Guild, Mr. M. D. Trigg, gave his report of the Guild's activities during the past year, including the summer tour in Cornwall during the first week of July.

## COLLEGE OF CAMPANOLOGY REVIEW OF 1964

In the six years following the College foundation (1956) the introduction of week-end residential courses in ringing (one of the main objectives of the College) had been successfully accomplished—largely through co-operation with local education authorities. And it was becoming clear that the interest in, and successful running of, these courses was such as could be maintained by local ringing organisations, with such co-operation. In these circumstances the College has retained its practical interest in the week-end course as far as giving advice and help to local ringing organisations in planning their own courses.

This has given the College more freedom to concentrate on its other objectives. These include, on the practical side, advising and helping with one-day courses for instructors, and with the initiation of serial courses (ten to twelve weeks) for beginners, with tests in bell control and elementary change-ringing. The literary side continues the compilation of 'Parts' of the 'Ringers' Manual of Reference,' the long-term programme of which includes some nine such parts.

## SCHOOLS OF RINGING

Of those affiliated to the College it is a pleasure to report, particularly, upon the St. Uny, Lelant (Cornwall) school: where its senior tutor, who is also the College President, has maintained a steady output of trained beginners, including three qualified tutors, in recent months. The Administrative Committee thanks all Tutors and congratulates all active affiliated schools on their good work in the Exercise.

## WORLD-WIDE REPRESENTATION

Recent requests from Australia for copies of Part I of the College Manual have resulted in the provisional appointment of a representative of the College at Ballarat (Captain of St. Peter's), Victoria. The College now has representative officers in Ireland, Scotland, Wales, most counties in England, and overseas in Africa, United States of America and Australia. It is probable that in the New Year the College will be represented in the Cathedral Society at Christchurch, New Zealand. The College is gratified by the widespread appreciation of, and thanks for, the advice and tuition given in the Manual. This more than makes worthwhile our (entirely voluntary) efforts. During the year there appeared in 'The Ringing World' a feature article commending Part I of the Manual. And a significant recent order is for six further copies of this work on 'Bell Handling and Control,' for the County Library (Norwich) of the Norfolk Education Committee.

## OFFICERS AND GOVERNORS

These being triennial appointments are (with one sad exception as below) the same as for the previous year, and as listed in the 'Ringers' Diary' at the end of the list of Ringing Associations, etc. We are pleased to record that our Vice-President and senior Chaplain, Canon Gilbert Thurlow, is currently the President of the Central Council. The sad exception referred to above is that of our severe loss in December last by the tragic death of the brilliant young Registrar of the College, David Jones, B.A. The College Administrative Committee is sympathetically grateful to Mrs. Edna Jones, his mother, for having stepped into the breach. The Committee regrets the forthcoming loss of service as Press and Public Relations Officer, by Dr. R. G. T. Bennett, M.Sc., who is shortly going back to New Zealand. His work and interest during the past five years on behalf of the College are greatly appreciated.

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# THE MORNING A TOWER FELL DOWN

By T. A. Bevis

*'There are some farmers in Fulbourn town,  
They have lately sold bells what was  
not their own;  
They have sold the bells, likewise the  
church,  
And cheat the poor of twice as much,  
And O! you Fulbourn farmers O!'*

AT FIVE o'clock on the morning of Trinity Sunday, 1766, the small town of Fulbourn, Cambs., was prematurely awakened by a vibrative rumble, not unlike an earthquake of minor proportions, and songbirds which for the previous half-hour had united their usual musical welcome in increasing crescendo to a bright new day abruptly ended that dawn chorus, darting away at all points of the compass.

Sleepy residents in the vicinity of All Saints' Church, confused at the creaking of overhead timbers, became aware of dust which seemed to infiltrate through every nook and cranny of their dwellings. Excited voices outside inspired those who continued to sit in bed to hurl dull stupor to one side: white faces pressed against leaded windows and a score of eyes beheld the ruins of a once-lovely church, gaunt and strangely unsymmetrical in the strengthening daylight.

*'Some estate there was left, and  
all for the poor,  
They have robbed them of half  
and something more:  
Such dirty tricks will go hard  
on their sides,  
For the d—I will have them and  
singe their hides.  
And O! you Fulbourn  
farmers O!'*

On the Saturday before this unexpected incident occurred Fulbourn proudly possessed two churches—but now, only one—St. Vigor's—remained.

It transpired the steeple of All Saints' had, over many years, progressively weakened, with the result that the old bells to which the inhabitants were so attached were unceremoniously deposited on the floor of the nave. One or two bells, like the church, were badly broken. Nevertheless, the poor parishioners, fearful that the bells would be illegally removed, frequently mounted guard watching over them in the evenings, armed with cudgels, blunderbusses and pitchforks.

But fears subsided: their devoted interest temporarily waned; the watchers withdrew to the comfort of their homes and the warmth of the local inns, preferable by far to the cold and comfortless shell of a fallen-down church. Thus in the dead of the night, the churchwardens approached two of the bells, hoisted them on to a waggon conveniently placed in Monk's Barn, nearby, and transferred them to the Cambridge wagon en route to St. Neots, arriving there before morning light, when they were delivered into the hands of Edward Arnold, the Priory founder. The warden farmers, who are said to have given the proceeds of the 'illegal' sale towards repairs at St. Vigor's Church, managed to avoid the angry accusations and remonstrations of the aggrieved parishioners of All Saints'.

*'Before the bells they could be sold,  
They were forced to swear, as we've been  
told:*

*They foreswore themselves—then they cried  
For this my boys, we will be tried*

*And O! you Fulbourn farmers O!*

The ruin of All Saints' Church eventually brought about an Act of Parliament: this passed on May 22nd, 1775 for the purpose of uniting the parish of All Saints with that of St. Vigor. The Act enabled the Vicar and wardens to sell the bells and materials, the

proceeds to be used in the repair of the latter-named edifice. As already stated two bells had already been 'removed': the other three with two existing bells at St. Vigor's were recast at St. Neots, and the complete ring of six was hung in the tower of Fulbourn's remaining church—rededicated to St. Vigor and All Saints—on May 9th, 1776.

Subscriptions amounted to £141. The bells cost £262 2s. 3d., the frame on which they are suspended £45, six new ropes £1 15s., in all a total outlay of £308 17s. 3d.

The bells were inscribed:

1. BY AN ACT OF PARLIAMENT OBTAINED IN 1775
2. THE RUINS OF ALL SAINTS CHURCH WERE TAKEN DOWN
3. AND THE PARISHES UNITED, EDWARD ARNOLD FECIT ME 1776
4. AND THESE SIX BELLS CAST BY SUBSCRIPTION IN 1776
5. EDWD. ARNOLD OF ST NEOTS CAST THIS PEAL OF SIX BELLS ANNO DOMINI 1776
6. EDWARD ARNOLD OF ST NEOTS FECIT 1776  
I TO THE CHURCH THE LIVING CALL  
AND TO THE GRAVE DO SUMMON ALL

*'There is old Twigg, and young Twigg—  
the whining dissenter,  
Says one to the other, this night we will  
venture:*

*And says little Gibble-Gabble, I long for  
to go,*

*But first I will call on my neighbour  
Swingtoe,*

*And O! you Fulbourn farmers O!*



Exactly a year had passed between the instigation of the Act of Parliament and the casting of the new bells, the Act itself being conducted through both Houses of Parliament by Mr. Edward Hancock, the Rector's warden, and Sir John Cotton, the latter attending to the matter in its various stages in the House of Commons. The passing of the Act inspired a Fulbourn resident, William Rolfe, to write a ballad which is reproduced in this article.

The inhabitants of Fulbourn displayed unusual enthusiasm at having a brand new ring of six bells, which having arrived in the vicinity of the town were hauled by villagers a furlong or more before horses could be hitched to the waggon. On arrival at the tower a Mr. Edmund Andrews Salisbury sat astride the tenor bell when it was drawn up to its permanent place in the belfry. By a strange coincidence his was the first death for which this bell was tolled.

A 'peal' was rung on the bells on December 7th, 1789, the author of which was Charles Dawson. It comprised 720 changes and was called with 154 hobs and two 'kingles'.

*'In the dead of the night this thievish  
crew*

*Broke into the church as other thieves do,  
For to steal the bells and sell them all.*

*May the d—I take such churchwardens all,  
And O! you Fulbourn farmers O!*

**Footnote.**—The tower of St. Vigor and All Saints' now contains a ring of eight bells, tenor 12 cwt.

**STOWE-BY-CHARTLEY, STAFFS.**—On Dec. 6th, 1296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: 1. E. Monk 1. Lucy Smith 2. Mariene E. Townsend 3. C. T. Collins (first of Surprise) 4. B. J. Townsend 5. C. M. Smith (cond.) 6. For Evensong.



# Letters to the Editor

## Non-Association Peals

Dear Sir.—The non-Association peal at Trumpington, Cambridgeshire, which appears on page 822, prompts me to write regarding such peals generally.

I have considered for a very long time that ringers who participate in non-Association peals act in a most irresponsible manner in not recording their performances for the Guild or Association in which they are rung.

If the Yorkshiremen in this particular peal could not afford the Ely Diocesan Association's life membership fee why not ring it in their own county? Could not College Youth and non-geographical societies record their performances as rung by that Society for the Association or Society in whose area the peal is rung.

Whilst on the subject of peals, I consider the time is long overdue for all Guilds and Associations to levy a peal booking fee, similar to the present practice of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers. Central Council representatives were told at Truro this year that 'The Ringing World' is again facing financial trouble and further increases in charges were to be expected. Surely the time has come when all peal ringers must take a responsible attitude towards their publication and not expect those not so interested in peal ringing to subsidise their indulgence.—Yours faithfully,  
N. MALLETT, Heavitree, Exeter.

## Directions to Churches

Dear Sir.—Could I please make a request to Guild and Association secretaries who put notices of ringing meetings in 'The Ringing World'? It would be very helpful to people who do not know the area where the church is, to be given the name of the road it is in. 'Dove's Guide,' for example, only gives road names of inner London towers and a road map usually shows five or six churches in the area with no indication of the name.—Yours faithfully,  
JULIE S. ARMSTRONG, Hammersmith.

## Leeds Ringers' Outing

Dear Sir.—I would like to make a comment on the second paragraph on page 817 of 'The Ringing World' in the article reporting the outing of the Leeds Parish Church ringers.

The so called ban at Felixkirk was not because 'visiting ringers did damage,' but because 'change ringers did damage.' Quite a difference when one considers that it was a non-change ringer who passed the comment, and so convinced the Vicar.

As regards the visit to Shildon: here again I regret to say that the bells have not been rung due to the attitude of the Vicar towards bells and ringing, and not as result of any apathy by local or surrounding ringers. In fact, had it not been that a short while ago Mr. T. Cooke, of Darlington, repaired broken stays, properly threaded the ropes, and did a few more odd jobs in the tower, I fear the Leeds ringers would have been unable to ring the bells.

However, I was pleased to know that R.H.D. and his band of visiting ringers were well received all around. I can assure him that hospitality is not usually lacking in these parts.—Yours faithfully,  
F. HODGSON, Darlington.

## Sandhurst First Peal after Rededication

Dear Sir.—With reference to the letter from Mr. Alan R. Baldock, of Eastbourne, in your issue of December 4th, the bells of St. Nicholas', Sandhurst, were rededicated by the Archbishop of Canterbury on Tuesday, September 15th, 1964.

Mr. Baldock's peal: August 10th, 1963.

Our peal: October 31st, 1964.

The item in Belfry Gossip is, therefore, correct.—Yours faithfully,  
H. J. POPE, Tower Captain, Sandhurst.

## To the Glory of God

Dear Sir.—Mr. O.A.M.'s first remarks about ringers (I note he says the majority) regarding campanology as a hobby are, of course, in a sense true. On the other hand, he does not advance any further reasons for people ringing bells presumably because he has never found—unlike the majority of ringers whom I have the privilege of knowing—that the chief delight of ringing church bells is ringing them to the glory of God. If one regards ringing in this way, in addition to deriving pleasure from the physical act of ringing, how else can it be regarded except as an act of worship? When I resided in Kent, one of the great joys was to go into a belfry and to commence ringing with a prayer, often said by one of the ringers. The example was set by Canterbury Cathedral where the prayer is read before the bells are rung for Sunday service. Merely a hobby? For the majority of ringers, sir, surely far more.

With this in mind, it is surely wrong to discourage the building of church towers (anyway there are quite enough being built without them in this present day). I am sure that the majority of ringers would sooner see a church built with a tower and ring of bells than a second Quex Park rising. The only virtue with such towers as Quex is that they do give one the opportunity to practise without upsetting the neighbours. And the purpose of practice? To better one's own standards of ringing to the glory of God. Surely ringing is a tradition: and it's the only time when most ringers can ring for service, otherwise no doubt there would be a tradition of ringing on other days. And because one is calling God's people to church, and praising God, and enjoying doing so at the same time, surely, sir, it is a good tradition and not merely sheer habit, no, certainly not habit, God forbid! We are not compelled by force of habit to ring those bells which were hung there to the glory of God before we were born, but we are urged by our duty to our God and Redeemer to sound our bells to the glory of Him who never forced anybody to do anything, and whom we owe far more than we can give or understand.

The subject of ringers' 'bickering' or 'defaulting' is nothing new, but I venture to suggest, sir, that the 'bickering in the belfry' is confined to fewer of our 40,000 odd ringers than one may imagine. And I have known few cases where the argument has not been quickly made up. Ringing is a brotherhood, and in most towers it is kept so. I feel our atheist brother is correct in making such general statement as he does. It is indeed too true that ringers do sometimes 'abscond' from their towers, but again I feel that O.A.M. makes too general a statement to support an argument.

'Does one have to be a Christian to be a campanologist?' No, sir, one does not. But, as we are reminded in one of our collects, 'It is not the beginning of a task, but the finishing of the same IN THY NAME, O LORD, which yieldeth the true glory.' The glory is God's alone and we and the bells are instruments of it. It is only in one's own heart that the final decisions can be made. But I venture to say that to be a good Christian is far more important than being a good ringer, for the witness of a faithful Christian life is greater than the loudest noise which is made here on earth to the glory of God, the sound of the bells. God grant that when we ring, we may ring first and foremost to His glory. If we do so, then, sir, we will find every other joy thrown in.—Yours sincerely,  
Hunstanton, Norfolk. DAVID CAWLEY.

## Obituary Column Answer

Dear Sir.—Re the letter from 'O.A.M.' (atheist) in your paper on November 27th. I suggest that 'O.A.M.' reads the Obituary Notices in 'The Ringing World.' He will find there that ringing and Christianity do go together.

As regards 'falling out' among ringers, this is a common human failing! May we be preserved from a band of 'yes' men. Even Christ's disciples had differences of opinion.—Yours faithfully,  
Crewe, JOHN E. HOLLOWAY.

## Carols on Handbells

Dear Sir.—While I agree with your correspondent that 12 bells minimum are preferable for tune ringing, I hope this should not deter those who have an octave. For the first three years I have interested members of a Boys' Brigade Company in tune ringing on an octave of bells. Quite a number of hymn tunes and carols have their melody contained within a diatonic octave, and by a simple substitution of octave notes where this does not upset the sense of melody several more can be adapted.

For those who don't quite know how to set about tune ringing, I number the bells one to eight, one becoming the highest note as in change ringing. Tonic sol-fa timing is adopted, each bar in quadruple time being sub-divided by a short vertical line. A colon, a full-stop and a comma correspond to minims, crochets, quavers and semi-quavers of staff rotation. For triple time the bar is sub-divided first in three parts by colons, then each of the three in half by a full stop and further (if required) by the comma. The correct spacing of 'notes' is also important, as this gives a useful guide to 'quick' and 'slow' notes.

With regard to harmony playing, we find that until some considerable practice has been done in playing the melody only, there is no point in trying harmony, as the bells must be struck with absolute accuracy so that the notes in harmony sound absolutely simultaneously. The only way to do this is to watch the other ringers out of the corner of one's eye, so that the bells move and strike together.

I have not tried to adapt this system to more than eight bells, as that is all we have available at the moment. I feel, however, that for larger numbers of bells the use of the tonic sol-fa names would be preferable to using numbers since double figures (such as 10, 11 and 12) could be confusing when written in quick succession. Semitones on smaller numbers of bells could be added and referred to by an encircled number.

Those who are musicians in other fields will, of course, not require it, but there may be some who have an 'ear for music' but have no knowledge of written music systems and would therefore be glad of some simple information.—Yours sincerely,  
A. W. FROGGATT, Lincoln.

Dear Sir.—Reading your item re handbell carolling with interest. I think I can go one better, as we have always rung four bells each, which I think you can control better than two, and the simplest way I think to learn is by ringing Queen's and Whittingtons which gives you plenty of confidence leading up to tune playing.

We had the honour of being the first handbell ringers in the county to broadcast handbells away back in 1924, four bells each and four in number which was a perfect transmission from 5 IT New Street, which was then the Birmingham Studio.

Four bells are rung by striking the top two outwards and the bottom two downwards and this calls for regular practice together. We spent one night a week all the year round, change ringing and tune playing: we were ready for anything, and believe me, we got plenty of engagements. My advice to young handbell ringers is to get going with four bells each, which makes tune playing more compact and worth listening to.—Yours truly,  
R. H. MANSELL, Handsworth, Birmingham.

## King's Norton Tenor

Dear Sir.—During the recent correspondence concerning King's Norton bells, nobody has mentioned that the tenor has a rather unique slider mechanism.

Apparently the bells were originally never fitted with stays and sliders. When these were fitted only the tenor presented a problem because there was no room for a slider; in fact the clapper flight has a slot in the floor boards to allow it to swing. The problem was overcome by making a wooden channel with a sliding block of wood running in it.—Yours faithfully,  
J. J. PAWLEY.



## The Toast this Christmas is "The Old 'Uns"

**MR. JOHN EUSTON**, that great worker on behalf of veteran bellringers, sends us this photograph of the veteran bellringers at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, as a reminder to the Exercise of how much they owed to those who during the first 25 years of this century paved the way for a better life for us all. Most of those portrayed have given over 50 years' service, often to a local church, and with others have been responsible for passing on the art to the next generation. And this Christmas let us all have a toast to 'The Old 'uns' and trust that as many as possible will be present next June to enjoy the good tea Mrs. Davis and her helpers provide.



### TOURING TAUNTON AREA

On November 28th, a score of ringers from the Axbridge, Bridgwater and Chew branches of the Bath and Wells Association spent an enjoyable afternoon and evening in the Taunton area. Ringing at Hillfarrance, Nynehead and Langford Budville preceded a very welcome tea at Hillcommon.

Further touches on the good little five at Heathfield and on the melodious six at Bradford-on-Tone were followed in true Somerset style by a social gathering at 'the local.'

The great improvements, including redecoration of the belfry, at Nynehead (although the young lady rising the second still received a shower of twigs), was noted and also the call-change cards of Grandsire at Hillfarrance entitled 'The bells of Hillfarrance Changes'—Methods Committee please note!

'Thank yous' are extended to the respective incumbents and those who met us at the towers.

G.R.M.

### SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

There was a better attendance when the Bingham District held its meeting at Whatton on November 14th than on the previous occasion, and all members and visitors enjoyed it. Bingham was proposed for the annual District meeting on January 9th. The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Harrison, who specially mentioned the Rector and the ladies responsible for the good tea.

Next meeting: Holme Pierrepont, December 12th.

### WORCESTER AND DISTRICTS

The annual meeting of the Western Branch, held at Wychbold on December 5th, attracted an attendance of about 60 ringers. During the afternoon, the six bells at St. Mary-de-Wyche were rung in rounds for the beginners and in methods up to London Surprise. A pleasing feature was the large attendance of younger members and if their enthusiasm is encouraged, there should be no worries for the future of the Exercise in the area.

Evensong was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. J. R. Hunter-Bailey, and members of the Association robed to form a choir. The Vicar in his welcome told of the pleasure he found listening to Wychbold bells on the rare occasions on which they were rung. At the present time, the bells are silent on Sundays through lack of ringers, and he hoped that our visit might stimulate some interest in the village.

Tea at the 'Bowling Green' was immediately followed by the meeting. The officers were re-elected including the Master, Mr. J. Clements, and the secretary, Mr. A. Jopp, both of whom were thanked for their work. The dates and places of the meetings for 1956 were arranged. New members were elected from Upton Snodsbury, where Mr. S. T. Holt is training a young band to ring on an 18 cwt. six with a very long draught of rope and a reputation for difficult handling, from All Saints', Worcester, and from St. Swithun's, Worcester, which now has its first members for about 50 years.

P.C.

### OBITUARY

#### MR. W. J. COPE

Mr. Walter James Cope, who died in St. Andrew's, Hospital, Norwich, on December 1st, at the age of 80, was for 60 years a ringer at Lichfield Cathedral.

His 72nd birthday was marked by a dinner in his honour and a presentation by the Dean of Lichfield as a tribute to his services to bellringing at the Cathedral and Alrewas.

Although a regular service ringer and one who rarely missed a practice, it was not until he was well over 60 that he rang anything other than Grandsire. After being associated with teaching Peter, Dennis and Joan Beresford, the opportunity came to ring more advanced methods. He rang in a peal of Double Norwich Major in honour of his 70th birthday, and went on to ring a peal of Cambridge Major and also to practise and ring a variety of the more advanced Doubles, Minor and Major methods. He rang in the first peal on Lichfield Cathedral bells after they were recast in 1947, and took part in ringing for all royal events, covering the reigns from the time of Queen Victoria to the birth of the present Prince of Wales.

At the age of 69, and on the death of his wife, he moved from Lichfield to Alrewas, where he set about teaching a band.

During the last few years of his life when he lived with his eldest daughter at Fakenham, Norfolk, illness prevented him from doing any active ringing. Almost to the end he read 'The Ringing World' with keen interest.

He was buried at Fakenham on Dec. 5th.

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# QUARTER PEALS

**ADDINGTON, SURREY.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,440 London Surprise Minor: Carol Cousins 1, Margaret C. Godfrey 2, Katharine M. Guy 3, E. G. Godfrey 4, T. Lewis (first of Surprise Minor) 5, A. M. Macve (first of London as cond.) 6. First quarter by all except the conductor. For Confirmation service. Also on Dec. 6th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Wendy C. Wallace 1, Carol Cousins 2, Margaret C. Godfrey 3, P. J. Milton 4, E. G. Godfrey 5, A. M. Macve (cond.) 6.

**BARKINGSIDE, ESSEX.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,280 Double Norwich C.B. Major: C. Willmington 1, G. C. Paul 2, D. Ellison 3, C. Hughes 4, R. Cousins 5, D. Hewitt 6, J. Waugh 7, J. Crampion (cond.) 8. For Evensong, and in appreciation of a successful gift day.

**BILSTON, STAFFS.**—On Nov. 15th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: T. J. Greaves (first on eight) 1, R. B. Dorrington (first on eight 'inside') 2, D. J. Bates 3, Elizabeth Timmins 4, Lucy Smith 5, R. M. Hodister 6, C. M. Smith 7, P. G. K. Davies (cond.) 8.

**BIRKENHEAD, CHESHIRE.**—On Nov. 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Veitch (first quarter) 1, Miss H. A. Arrowsmith 2, A. P. Foster 3, M. A. Phillips 4, D. G. Wilford 5, C. K. Cooper (cond.) 6.

**BRAINTREE, ESSEX.**—On Nov. 22nd, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: Josephine Quilter 1, R. Lindsell 2, A. Syder 3, C. Barker 4, Jennifer Syder 5, S. Warne 6, J. Warner 7, A. Wiffen (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.**—At St. Peter's Church, on Nov. 29th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Kathleen Baldwin 1, Catherine M. Powell 2, Angela M. Wright 3, P. Came 4, M. J. Bew 5, Angela Grainger 6, J. C. Baldwin (cond.) 7, A. W. Bond 8, B. J. Stone 9, D. P. Treble 10. An engagement compliment to Wendy Bird and Paul Treble.

**BRISTOL, NORTHANTS.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: T. Height 1, J. Clipson 2, M. Hawkins 3, G. Bell 4, F. Coates (cond.) 5. For Evensong.

**BRISTOL.**—At SS. Philip and Jacob's, on Dec. 2nd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. R. Taylor 1, Jennifer M. Taylor 2, Diana Chapman 3, M. J. Hobbs 4, R. J. Bowden 5, F. C. Mogford 6, D. J. Hunt (cond.) 7, D. C. Exell 8. For Confirmation by the Bishop of Malmesbury.

**BURFORD, OXON.**—On Nov. 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: L. Westmacott 1, B. W. Hall 2, F. W. Soden 3, D. K. Adkins (cond.) 4, W. J. Dixon 5, T. W. Timms 6. For Confirmation service.

**BURNHAM-ON-CROUCH, ESSEX.**—On Dec. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: K. Everett 1, Jean Stebbings 2, H. Halls 3, S. W. Bigmore 4, D. Hodgson (cond.) 5, H. Stebbings 6. First quarter 2 and 3.

**BURTON LATIMER, NORTHANTS.**—On Nov. 13th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: C. Watson (first on eight) 1, Sheila Staley 2, Ruth Watson (first 'inside') 3, D. Whitechell (first 'inside') 4, R. Stetten 5, A. Sellers 6, G. Watson (cond.) 7, I. Hall 8.

**CANTERBURY, KENT.**—At the Cathedral, on Nov. 30th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: A. E. Davies 1, D. C. Chatfield 2, Miss R. Sinden 3, Mrs. D. A. Chapman 4, G. Neilson 5, B. J. Luck 6, T. C. Phillimore 7, T. H. Holmes 8, D. A. Chapman (cond.) 9, E. A. Dixon 10. First on ten 3 and 5. For the consecration of the Rt. Rev. Anthony P. Tremlett as Bishop Suffragan of Dover.

**CAVERSFIELD, OXON.**—On Nov. 26th, 1,260 Doubles (six methods): E. J. Jones 1, R. A. Reeves 2, C. C. Clarke 3, L. A. Bushy 4, Diana Reeves (first as cond.) 5. Rung for the birth of a daughter (Frances Helen) to Dennis and Christine Bowen.

**CHERTSEY, SURREY.**—On Dec. 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. Archibald 1, C. K. Hill 2, D. G. Blows 3, Miss A. Pickering 4, J. W. Priest 5, P. J. Privett 6, R. Collins (cond.) 7, Rev. G. S. Archibald 8.

**CHIDDINGSTONE, KENT.**—On Dec. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): H. W. Evans 1, R. J. Everest (first 'inside') 2, B. E. Jeffrey (cond.) 3, G. S. E. Winter 4, D. J. M. Cox 5, J. H. French 6, P. R. Everest 7, G. F. Cheseman (first quarter) 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Col. E. R. Meade-Waldo, D.S.O., former churchwarden and P.C.C. member for over 30 years.

**CHIOHAM, SURREY.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: C. K. Hill 1, Susan Aveyard 2, Sallie Buchanan 3, Anne Pickering 4, J. W. Priest 5, P. J. Privett 6, D. G. Blows (cond.) 7, R. Collins 8. For Evensong.

**CULLINGBOURNE DUCIS, WILTS.**—At St. Andrew's Church, on St. Andrew's Day, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, Grandsire): B. Smith 1, G. Heath 2, C. Smith 3, W. Cook 4, W. Alexander (cond.) 5, T. Spencer 6. Rung by light of two candles, due to power cut.

**COMPTON BISHOP, SOMERSET.**—On Nov. 30th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: G. Prescott (cond.) 1, Marjorie Legg 2, A. J. Peters 3, H. Spencer 4, H.

Hooper 5, J. Phillips 6. First in method 3, 4, 5 and 6.

**CRANLEIGH, SURREY.**—On Dec. 5th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. H. Payton 1, Diane Street 2, L. Read 3, K. Sansom 4, Pamela Gough 5, D. Hughes 6, R. Hough (cond.) 7, Elizabeth Stevinson 8. First of Stedman Triples 1, 2, 3 and 4.

**CREWE, CHESHIRE.**—On Nov. 17th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: J. S. Baker 1, Miss Y. Hughes 2, J. Miller 3, I. R. Nichols 4, Miss A. D. Edwards 5, E. J. Holloway 6, G. A. Packer (cond.) 7, G. Parsons 8, W. Kerr 9, H. Fynn 10. First on ten 1, 3, 8 and 10.

**DANEHILL, SUSSEX.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Lynn Taylor 1, Peggy Butcher (25th quarter) 2, Betty Butler 3, J. Warner 4, A. J. Butcher 5, A. W. Fuller 6. First in the method for 1, 3, 6. 25th quarter together for 2 and 5. Tenor ringer has now 'circled the tower.' A birthday compliment to Peggy Butcher.

**EALING, MIDDLEX.**—At St. Mary's Church, on Nov. 29th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: F. Bishop 1, D. Rothera 2, A. M. Stacey 3, M. Hatchett 4, F. Ransom 5, J. Ketteringham 6, R. H. Fullwell 7, W. G. Wilson (cond.) 8. For morning service.

**EARLS CROOME, WORCS.**—On Oct. 31st, 1,260 Doubles (two methods): Miss R. Porter 1, A. C. Berry 2, I. Lloyd 3, A. A. Jopp 4, J. Attwood, jun. (cond.) 5, R. Shepherd 6.

**ELSTOW, BEDS.**—On Oct. 31st, 1,260 Minor (two methods): Miss M. F. Pettitt 1, Miss S. M. Law 2, G. Hutchings 3, S. R. Huckle 4, R. H. French 5, R. F. Law (cond.) 6. The eve of All Saints'. Also on Nov. 8th, 1,320 College Exercise: Miss M. F. Pettitt 1, Miss S. M. Law 2, Miss K. A. Rivett 3, M. J. Marriott 4, R. H. French 5, R. F. Law (cond.) 6. Rung for dedication of peal board to commemorate the completion of the ringing chamber and part restoration of tower. Same band as for peal.

**EYNSHAM, OXON.**—On Nov. 22nd, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): T. Gregory 1, J. Betts 2, A. Hicks 3, D. Floyd 4, C. Bennett (cond.) 5, A. Harris 6. Rung after the christening of Adrian John, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Nicholls, of Cassington.

**FOLKINGHAM, Lincs.**—On Nov. 28th, 1,320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. H. Musson 1, C. T. H. Bradley 2, D. Reeson 3, C. Wade (cond.) 4, L. Blanchard 5, H. Burrell 6. For the Patronal Festival after unsuccessful peal attempt.

**GEDLING, NOTTS.**—On Dec. 5th, 1,320 April Day Bob Doubles: Jack Dawson 1, G. A. Dawson (cond.) 2, J. T. Burnup 3, D. Surman 4, M. Poppleton 5, R. Adey 6. First in the method by all. A wedding compliment to Miss C. Jenkins and Mr. D. Sheath.

**GOLDHANGER, ESSEX.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob and Kent T.B.: H. R. Appleton 1, C. Southgate 2, B. Mann 3, T. White 4, W. White 5, B. C. Mann (cond.) 6. A golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. Owers.

**HENLOW, BEDS.**—On Oct. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Mrs. J. Measures 1, R. Fuller 2, F. Mitchell 3, G. Mayes 4, L. H. Bywaters (cond.) 5, R. Cousins 6.

**HEMEL HEMPSTEAD, HERTS.**—On Dec. 3rd, 1,250 Yorkshire Surprise Major: C. Valerie Mills 1, A. V. Good 2, K. R. Dunstan 3, W. Ayre 4, P. W. Harper 5, B. M. Barker 6, A. R. Kench (cond.) 7, R. E. Sheppard 8. First in method 5, 6 and 8.

**IRNHAM, Lincs.**—On Dec. 1st, 1,320 Doubles (five methods): C. E. Baxter 1, G. I. N. Culborne 2, D. R. Baxter (cond.) 3, D. J. Hopkinson 4, W. A. Holmes 5. For the 90th birthday of Miss Cranbury, a resident of the village.

**ISLEWORTH, MIDDLEX.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Jean Anderson (first quarter) 1, Patricia Rogers 2, June Creak 3, Mrs. K. Parr 4, Jeannette Felton 5, Mrs. O. L. Rogers 6, M. P. Thomas 7, P. N. Felton 8, W. H. Rogers (cond.) 9, M. Harrison 10. Also on Dec. 6th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: M. P. Thomas 1, June Creak (first of Cambridge) 2, K. Brown 3, Mrs. O. L. Rogers 4, P. N. Felton 5, C. H. Rogers (cond.) 6, C. T. Richards 7, W. H. Rogers 8.

**KING'S LANGLEY, HERTS.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,261 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. D. Barker 1, R. J. Picton 2, P. W. Harper 3, K. D. Waples 4, D. J. Goodman 5, B. M. Barker 6, R. W. Picton (cond.) 7, D. Bedford 8. For evening service.

**KIRK ELIA, E. YORKS.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,296 Beverley and Surfleet Surprise Minor: A. B. Cooper 1, G. K. Smith 2, K. Kirk 3, K. Goldthorpe 4, H. C. Palmer 5, D. S. Johnson (cond.) 6. First in methods 3 and 5. For Evensong.

**LEYLAND, LANCs.**—On Nov. 28th, 1,277 Grandsire Caters: J. Ascroft 1, P. J. Crossthwaite 2, J. Nixon 3, J. Sumner 4, E. Bennett 5, L. Walsley 6, B. Moss 7, C. Crossthwaite (cond.) 8, S. Walsley 9, E. McElroy 10. Rung for the Patronal Festival (St. Andrew).

**LINCOLN.**—At St. Mary-le-Wigford, on Nov. 29th, 1,272 Bob Minimus: S. D. Eichel 1, D. M. Noble 2, J. Clarke 3, A. W. Froggart (cond.) 4. First quarter for all the band. Believed to be first quarter on bells.

**NAILSEA, SOMERSET.**—On Nov. 17th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: H. Hardwidge 1, W. P. Blake 2, B. Williams 3, J. Brain 4, S. Lewis 5, L. Derrick (cond.) 6.

**OXFORD.**—On Dec. 6th, at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Wakefield (cond.) 1, G. R. Mordaunte 2, Hilary F. Pardoe 3, R. M. Heyworth 4, M. R. Ashmore 5, N. J. Martin 6. By the Oxford University Society for Evensong.

**RAYNE, ESSEX.**—On Nov. 7th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Lesley Ward 1, J. Avis 2, B. Vaughan 3, S. Humphrey 4, P. G. Pitt 5, N. Avis (first as cond.) 6. For the Diocesan Jubilee Year.

**ROTHERHAM, YORKS.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,287 Stedman Caters: Mrs. N. Chaddock 1, Miss T. Hollis (first of Stedman Caters) 2, Miss M. Burns 3, J. N. D. Chaddock 4, S. Armeson 5, D. Nichols 6, N. Chaddock (cond.) 7, G. S. Lee 8, N. Donovan 9, P. Walker 10. Rung prior to Evensong and to mark the official switch-on of the new floodlighting installation.

**SAXILBY, Lincs.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Kathleen Yardley 1, Pamela Crosby 2, J. Guymer 3, H. W. Cox (cond.) 4, R. I. Crosby (first 'inside') 5, J. Godfrey 6.

**SELBY ABBEY, YORKS.**—On Dec. 2nd, 1,299 Stedman Caters: R. Ducker 1, W. F. Moreton (cond.) 2, A. W. A. Leggett 3, J. Potts 4, A. Sheppard 5, K. Goldthorpe 6, C. C. Brown 7, J. Hobson 8, D. S. Johnson 9, A. B. Cooper 10.

**SOLIHULL, WARWICKS.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: W. Leeson 1, T. J. Warner (cond.) 2, V. W. Rigg 3, H. H. Fearn 4, C. W. Bragg 5, R. J. Cann 6, G. Palmer 7, B. D. Woolley 8, G. E. Fearn 9, A. Crabtree 10. For Evensong.

**STRATTON, CORNWALL.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: J. W. Sangwin 1, Margaret A. Bould 2, D. R. Bould 3, E. Nunn 4, H. Trewin 5, H. Heard 6, M. Sinden 7, H. Stacey (cond.) 8. For patronal festival.

**STRATTON ST. MARGARET, WILTS.**—On Nov. 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Lynda Dent 1, Sheila Haskins 2, Pauline Lansley (cond.) 3, A. R. Peake 4, V. Griffin 5, A. Hatherall 6. For Confirmation.

**TOTIERNHOE, BEDS.**—On Nov. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: I. Knox 1, Christine Smith 2, June Sinfield 3, R. Stripp 4, R. J. Scott 5, J. W. V. Sinfield 6, J. Cloughton (cond.) 7, H. G. Day (first quarter) 8. For Confirmation.

**WANDSWORTH, LONDON.**—At Holy Trinity Church, West Hall, on November 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Jean M. Egerton 1, J. E. Reed 2, Sylvia Harrington (first in method) 3, Wendy Griffin 4, N. F. Edwards 5, R. J. Cooles 6, M. J. Uphill (cond. 25th of Grandsire Triples) 7, R. G. Twyman 8. Rung to the Glory of God for the 38th anniversary of the bells.

**WAREHAM, DORSET.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: C. T. Brown (first of Stedman Doubles) 1, Judith A. Robertson (first of Stedman as cond.) 2, P. R. Keogh (first of Stedman) 3, G. W. Elmes 4, M. J. Young 5, V. J. Baker 6. For Evensong.

**WAREHAM, DORSET.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Philip R. Keogh 1, Ross G. W. Robertson 2, Michael J. Young 3, Graham W. Elmes 4, Colin W. Heawood 5, John W. Blackwood (cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to Mary and Ruth Elmes. First of Treble Bob for 1, 3, 5 and as conductor.

**WIMBLEDON, SURREY.**—On Oct. 25th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: Marion Baulkwell 1, A. Bishop 2, Deborah Hopkins 3, Elizabeth Zass 4, Vanessa Rodrigues 5, Caroline Carpenter 6, A. Bagworth (cond.) 7, R. Harris 8. Also on Nov. 15th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Deborah Hopkins 1, Elizabeth Zass 2, Vanessa Rodrigues 3, Rosamund Rawlings 4, A. Bishop 5, A. Bagworth (cond.) 6.

**YORK.**—On Nov. 29th, at the Minster, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: M. Maskill 1, D. Pearson 2, D. Clegg 3, F. Atkinson 4, Miss M. E. Wilkinson 5, A. W. A. Leggett 6, S. H. Steel 7, M. Staniforth 8, H. Walker (cond.) 9, J. Bowen 10. First of Grandsire Caters 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10. For Evensong, and as a compliment to F. Atkinson, on his retirement from ringing, and also as a 65th birthday compliment to S. H. Steel.



## QUARTER PEALS

### For Sir Winston's 90th Birthday

Rung on November 30th, except where stated otherwise:

**ACCRINGTON, LANCs.**—1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Helliwell 1, Barbara Turner 2, V. Williams 3, M. Bell 4, R. Leigh 5, R. Helliwell (first as cond.) 6.

**ADLINGTON, LANCs.**—1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Pauline Turner 1, T. Turner 2, D. Moss 3, A. McNutt 4, M. Arrowsmith 5, B. Moss (cond.) 6.

**APSEY ENI, HERTS.**—1,440 London Surprise Minor: W. Ayre (cond.) 1, B. M. Barker 2, A. R. Kench 3, A. V. Good 4, P. W. Harper 5, R. E. J. Sheppard 6.

**BALCOMBE, SUSSEX.**—1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Janet Roberts 1, R. J. Roberts 2, E. S. Laker 3, F. J. Roberts 4, E. H. Knapp 5, A. E. Laker (cond.) 6.

**BARKINGSIDE, ESSEX.**—1,260 Siedman Triples: C. Willmington 1, R. Smith 2, C. Wright (first in method) 3, D. Ellisdon 4, K. Warner 5, J. Boyack 6, D. Hewitt (cond.) 7, G. Lonsdale 8.

**BRAINTREE, ESSEX.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: S. Warne 1, A. Wiffen 2, R. Lindvall 3, I. Pantou 4, Jennifer Syder 5, A. Syder 6, P. Rohera (cond.) 7, C. Barker 8.

**CARDIGAN.**—1,280 Doubles (five methods): D. P. Griffiths 1, Mrs. Jean Thomas 2, A. F. Walters (cond.) 3, J. D. Thomas 4, R. Pateman 5, B. Griffiths 6. First in five methods/variations for all.

**CHEW MAGNA, SOMERSET.**—1,280 Yorkshire Surprise Major: G. H. Pullin 1, E. T. Lee 2, A. E. Cox 3, J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 4, D. G. Yeo 5, M. J. Horsemann 6, P. Bridle 7, J. Brain 8.

**EASTHAMPTSTEAD, BERKS.**—1,260 Cambridge Surprise Minor: W. R. Churchill 1, Sandra Goodship 2, Joan A. Rance 3, F. C. Price (cond.) 4, A. J. N. Rance 5, S. G. Scott 6.

**EGHAM, SURREY.**—1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. S. Froome 1, L. Hiscock 2, Miss S. Aveyard 3, J. W. Priest 4, A. Flood 5, N. G. Summerhayes 6, D. E. Parsons (cond.) 7, R. Tickner 8.

**GRIMSBY, Lincs.**—1,272 Kent T.B. Minor: J. J. Williams 1, H. Mingay 2, F. Kennington 3, M. Walker 4, J. Parker 5, A. Pashley (cond.) 6. First in method 1, 3, 4 and 5.

**MAGDALEN, NORFOLK.**—1,200 Plain Bob Minor: D. Gagen (11 years, first quarter) 1, W. W. Cousins 2, C. Cousins, jun. 3, P. Gagen 4, E. H. Mastin (cond.) 5, C. Cousins 6.

**NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.**—On Dec. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. M. Goodchild 1, Miss H. A. Walters 2, Miss R. J. Kemp 3, Miss F. I. Studley 4, M. D. Trigg 5, P. J. Joyce (cond.) 6. By the Southampton University Guild.

**OXFORD FITZPAINE, DORSET.**—1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Ridout 1, R. Ridout 2, F. Hilliar 3, T. Bleatham 4, Rev. R. N. Longridge 5, E. H. Amey (cond.) 6.

**OXFORD.**—At Carfax Tower, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: B. Wakefield (cond.) 1, Hilary F. Pardoe 2, G. R. Mordaunt 3, J. W. Thorp 4, M. R. Ashmore 5, N. J. Martin 6. By Oxford University Society.

**ROUGHAM, SUFFOLK.**—1,260 Minor (Cambridge and Plain Bob): H. Ivings 1, R. E. Lester (cond.) 2, R. Rose 3, L. Nice 4, L. Wright 5, M. J. Rose 6.

**ST. FLORENCE, PEMB.**—1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss Sheila Wade (first quarter) 1, A. H. Johns (first 'inside') 2, Rev. R. Thomas 3, M. E. Lewis (first 'inside') 4, E. Lingard (first as cond.) 5, G. Norris (first quarter) 6.

**SIBLE HEDINGHAM, ESSEX.**—1,264 Plain Bob Major: H. Wiseman 1, J. Byatt 2, Miss A. Smith 3, Miss J. Sanderson 4, B. J. Couzens 5, J. Negus 6, E. W. Pye (cond.) 7, W. Pye 8.

**STISTED, ESSEX.**—1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Patricia Lindsell 1, Josephine Oulter 2, R. Lindsell 3, Jennifer Syder 4, J. Warner 5, A. Syder (cond.) 6.

**THORNHAUGH, NORTHANTS.**—1,260 Doubles (seven methods): W. Culpin 1, G. Davis 2, A. Waller 3, F. Simey 4, R. W. Spencer (cond.) 5.

## REDEDICATION

### SKEFFINGTON, LEICS

The bells of St. Thomas à Becket, Skeffington, Leics, were rededicated, after rehanging, by the Bishop of Leicester, the Rt. Rev. R. R. Williams, during the Harvest Festival service on Oct. 25th. The cost of rehanging was met by Major R. B. Collie M.F.H., in memory of his wife Jennifer, who was tragically killed in the hunting field.

A local band is now being formed under the guidance of Messrs. Norman and Geoff Geary, of Billesdon.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION Rochester District

Some 70 ringers attended the annual meeting of the Rochester District held at Rochester Cathedral recently. Many took advantage of ringing on the Cathedral's bells before Evening, at which the Dean welcomed the Association.

Following tea at the Crown Hotel, the Rev. Peter N. Bond presided at the business meeting. Tribute was paid by Mr. L. Mitchell, District secretary, in his report, to Mr. Albert Dunk and Mr. George Eastman, of Sittingbourne, whose deaths were recorded with regret.

Officers elected were: Mr. Mitchell, secretary; Mr. Len Crouch, Frindsbury, Ringing Master; and Messrs. T. Barton and F. J. Cheal, District representatives to K.C.A. Mr. Christopher Osenton, the retiring Ringing Master, was thanked for his services, and also the Dean. Ringing followed until 9 p.m.

### By-Meeting at Frindsbury

The by-meeting was held at the new Ringing Master's home tower, Frindsbury, in wintry weather. Despite this some 30 faithful members had an enjoyable meeting. A warm welcome came from the Vicar (Rev. T. G. S. Prentice), who conducted the church service, and an excellent tea was kindly given by local ringers. The votes of thanks were proposed by Mr. L. Mitchell, and ringing continued to a late hour.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Chew Branch was held at Stanton Drew on December 5th. Ringing in a variety of methods preceded the service, which was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. W. D. Russell. About 40 members and friends were served with an excellent tea by the local company at the Church Hall, after which the Vicar took the chair for the business meeting.

The secretary, in his report, made a plea for outstanding subscriptions to be paid before December 31st in order to complete his records.

A total of 12 new members were elected; Kingston Seymour 2, Portbury 2, Easton in Gordano 1, Backwell 1, Stanton Drew 1 and Wrington 5. Subject to permission, meetings were arranged as follows: Quarterly (April 11th), Backwell; practice meetings: January, Tickenham; February, Yatton; March, Pablow. The striking competition for 1965 will be held during May at Dundry, and the sub-committee was empowered to appoint the judge. A suggestion that the test piece should include a fall was favourably received, but it was pointed out that the extra time involved would tend to make the proceedings rather drawn out. In the circumstances, it was decided that the idea was not at present practicable.

A suggestion that the service touch at quarterly meetings should be rung by a band to be chosen by the Ringing Master was supported on all sides, and will take effect forthwith.

Officers elected for 1965: Chairman and Ringing Master: Mr. H. W. Knight; vice-chairmen: Messrs. C. Bishop and L. Derrick; secretary, Mr. D. G. Yeo; reporter: Mr. J. Brain.

Following the usual votes of thanks, ringing took place both at Stanton Drew (5) and Chew Magna (8). J. B.

## SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT

The December meeting of the Society was held at Ecclesfield on Dec. 5th. About 20 members braved the weather for the afternoon ringing, and methods from Plain Bob Minor to Cambridge Major were rung. Twenty-five members sat down to an excellent tea, and the business meeting followed, with Mr. J. J. L. Gilbert in the chair. Votes of thanks were passed to the local company for the excellent arrangements made.

After tea ringing continued until about 9 o'clock, when a good standard of ringing was maintained.

Next meeting: Sheffield Cathedral on January 2nd.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP

With the ringing of a peal at Pluckley on December 5th there have now been peals rung on all ringable rings in Kent.

By ringing a peal of Kent T.B. Major at Finedon on November 28th, Murray A. Coleman, of Rothwell, completed the Kent 'family' from Minor to Maximus.

The quarter peal of Grandsire Doubles at Henlow, Beds, was arranged as a farewell to W. O. F. Mitchell, who has been a great help to Henlow tower whilst stationed in the neighbourhood. He is now posted to Norfolk.

We are asked to state that the composition used in the peal at Elveden, on page 821, was by T. B. Worsley. It was also the 50th peal together of G. E. Thoday and Alan M. Barber.

With deep regret we record the passing, on December 5th, of Mr. Harry Broughton, who since 1903 had been associated with ringing in Leicester. A memoir will appear in our next issue.

Apologies are offered to two 'unknown' visitors to Romford, Essex, tower on Sunday, December 6th, who were unable to gain access to the ringing chamber as a quarter peal was in progress.

The peal attempted at Holme Pierrepont, Nottingham, for Sir Winston Churchill's birthday had to stop at the end of the fourth 720 because of a technical fault with the second bell. Thanks to the prompt service of Messrs. Taylors, of Loughborough, ringing was resumed at the week-end.

Kessingland, Suffolk, has lost a popular Rector by the departure of the Rev. T. Drury. During the eight years of his incumbency, many improvements have been made to St. Edmund's Church, the most interesting from a ringer's point of view being the rehanging, recasting of the tenor and augmentation of bells from five to six in 1960-61.



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## Sir Winston's Birthday

This week we publish a page of peals rung to honour the 90th birthday of Sir Winston Churchill. There are also hosts of quarter peals both in last week's and this week's issue, all testifying to the esteem and affection with which this great war leader and statesman is held.

Two new methods have been added to the list of Surprise methods in his honour. Mr. John R. Mayne conducted the first peal of Chartwell Surprise Major at Harrow Weald and Mr. Philip A. Corby the first of Churchill Surprise Major at Westerham. We hope that other Surprise bands will keep these methods evergreen before the ringing public.

## His Old Constituency

In honour of Sir Winston's S. Churchill's 90th birthday, three quarter peals were rung in the towers of the new London borough of Redbridge, part of which was Sir Winston's old constituency of Wanstead and Woodford. Two quarters of Bob Minor were rung at Wanstead by local ringers whilst at Barking-side a quarter of Stedman Triples was scored. At Woodford, where the local band rang a short touch at 7 a.m., they unfortunately lost a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples in the evening.

## Youth's Tribute

Of the many quarter peals rung in honour of the 90th birthday of Sir Winston Churchill, that at Accrington calls for special comment as the conductor, R. Helliwell, is only 11 years of age. Mr. Roger Leigh writes that he rang the 11½ cwt. tenor very well, but needed a little assistance with the conducting. The quarter was a tribute of youth as three others were 15 and only two of the band middle aged.

## Mr. Peter Laflin's 75th

A happy family party was held at 25, Hallam Street, Stockport, the home of Mr. Peter Laflin, on December 5th, for his 75th birthday. After tea, the birthday cake, surmounted by a small golden swinging bell and bearing seven candles, one for each grandchild, was cut to the singing of 'Happy Birthday' and the toast was 'Many Happy Returns.'

Handbells were rung to rounds and call changes by two of Peter's grandchildren, William (aged 7) 1-2, Elizabeth (aged 9) 3-4, daughter Frances 5-6, and Peter himself 7-8. Son and son-in-law also joined in the ringing. A. H.

## Brightness at Rotherham

Rotherham is being floodlit and illuminated on a bigger scale than usual this year. The tower of the parish church and spire are illuminated by a concealed floodlights on the roof, a total of about 20,000 watts being used. The illumination of the town centre for the Christmas period is centred on the Parish Church. The switch-on of the new installation was marked by a quarter of Stedman Caters.

## The Bride Must Wait

The brother of an Oxford University ringer has postponed his wedding, writes a University correspondent, so that he can ring in a peal attempt, but his fiancée refuses to postpone it a second time so as to allow him to attend the University's Easter tour.

## 82 and Still Going Strong

On November 28th friends of that grand old ringer from Merseyside, Mr. Lester Gray, of Wallasey, were able to join him in ringing a peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major at St. Mary's, Liscard, to celebrate his 82nd birthday. This peal was rather later than originally intended as a peal of Grandsire Cinques at St. Nicholas', Pier Head, Liverpool, on his actual birthday was unfortunately lost after three hours ringing. On both occasions Lester belied his years and rang as well as any of the band. Unfortunately, the second peal could not be attempted at St. Nicholas', but those who rang on both occasions wished him all the best and expressed the hope that there would be many more Lester birthday peals. Lester was presented with a pipe to mark the occasion, and the large number who joined in the festivities after both peals showed the high regard with which he is held.

## Rope Breaks in Wedding Peal

With only 104 changes to go, a peal of Stedman Triples was lost at Milton-next-Gravesend, on December 5th, through the treble rope breaking. It was for the wedding that day of two local ringers—Miss E. K. (Beth) Goddard and Mr. David Cole. Despite the mishap, the ringers wish Beth and David health and happiness. The band was F. J. Cullum 1, C. Ossingden 2, E. J. Beer 3, S. Sandford 4, S. Rayfield 5, H. E. Audsley 6, G. J. Butcher (cond.) 7, J. Eden (conductor) 8.

## To Be Ordained Next Sunday

A well known Surrey ringer, Mr. J. Tomsett, of Cheyne Hill, Surbiton, is to be ordained a deacon at Southwark Cathedral next Sunday. He took the Bishop of Southwark's three year ordination course for business men, studying in the evenings. He is to be a curate at Surbiton. Many friends, we are sure, will remember him in their prayers.

## Bingham District Happenings

A certain young boy attempted a peal. On a very rough five which were hard to wheel. He pulled and he tugged as the blisters grew fatter. The conductor looked grim and started to natter.

The boy on the fourth said, 'I'm feeling quite sore.'

'You'll have to stick it, my lad, there's not many more.'

Sixteen minutes to go and then a good feed, A pint of old ale, that's all you need.'

The poor lad's hands began to bleed. He said he felt like a chopped up weed.

He was nearly on his knees as though getting down to pray

When his prayers were answered in a most peculiar way.

A sudden noise like thunder, and a subdued voice was heard to say,

'I've lost my ruddy clapper, but I haven't broke the stay.'

TIT FOR TAT.

## Sevenoaks Improvements

The Parochial Church Council at Sevenoaks have budgeted for the rehang of the bells in a new iron frame and the recasting of the 6th during 1965. The go of the bells has deteriorated considerably in recent years, but the ringers felt that in spite of this they wanted to play their part in the general celebrations in the parish to mark the Rector's 25th anniversary in the ministry and ten years in the parish by ringing a peal. The Rev. E. M. T. McLellan has always shown exceptional kindness and encouragement to the ringers, who could have provided from the local band sufficient numbers to ring a peal but were glad to have the assistance of Mr. R. W. Hinde to ring the 7th. A good peal was rung.

## Feet on the Ladder

Cranbrook ringers are proud of their progress. The touch of 168 Grandsire Triples rung for Matins on November 29th is believed to be the first ever recorded by a local band. Another progress step was 720 Plain Bob Minor rung on December 1st, as a tribute to Sir Winston Churchill, following his 90th birthday. Soon we hope to record the local quarter. Good luck!

## 'Musical Uproar'

A reader culls the following from 'The Autocar,' Nov. 27th, Disconnected Jotting, by the Scribe. 'It lends interest to journeys, and is not too distracting to enjoy odd names, activities and loads on commercial vehicles. A particularly noisy truckload in Wandsworth had a musical uproar. It was laden with fragments of broken bells, church type.'

## Geographical Mix-up

A correspondent from Hampshire writes: Re peal of Bob Major rung on Nov. 14th at Mickleton (page 821), Mickleton is not in Warwickshire. It is in Gloucestershire, although in the Diocese of Coventry—and to complete the confusion, the tower is affiliated to the Worcestershire and Districts Association.

## Local Ladies' Peal on Men's Bells

The first peal by a local band on the bells of Whatton-in-the-Vale, Notts, took place on Nov. 30th and congratulations are due to the three ladies (two first pealers) on ringing a peal on what are generally regarded as men's bells. Best wishes are extended to Miss C. Ward on her birthday, a day she shares with that most illustrious gentleman, Sir Winston Churchill.

## A Continental Tower Snatch

Stephen Etcell, of Sincil Bank Secondary School, Lincoln, who started to learn ringing last May, heard bells ringing at Zell-am-See, Austria, while on holiday last August. He went to investigate and found four bells hung one above another and rung by four men on the ground floor to rounds and plain hunting. He joined them in rounds and hunting and in lowering the bells. The bells were rung in English style, but the ropes had no sallies and several coils had to be held in the hand while ringing. The only way of reaching the bells was by an external ladder fixed to the wall.



# *Peals rung in honour of the 90th Birthday of Sir Winston Spencer Churchill, K.G.*

November 30th, 1964

## THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY.

BRISTOL.—At the Church of St. Michael-on-the-Mount-Without.

On Mon., Nov. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of College, Wavertree College, Childwall Bob, St. Clements', Kent T. B., Cambridge Surprise, and Plain Bob.

Tenor 144 cwt. in F.

Janet D. Phillips .. .. Treble	Peter T. Hurcombe .. .. 4
Derek B. Williams .. .. 2	Nicholas W. H. Simon .. .. 5
C. Martin Foster .. .. 3	Patrick J. Bird .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Patrick J. Bird.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

WALLASEY, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Mary, Liscard.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb.

Lester L. Gray .. .. Treble	Thomas W. Hesketh .. .. 5
John H. Fielden .. .. 2	Christopher K. Cooper .. .. 6
Hazel A. Arrowsmith .. .. 3	Richard S. Starkie .. .. 7
David G. Wilford .. .. 4	Tudor P. Edwards .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. Roberts. Conducted by John H. Fielden.

Also as an 82nd birthday compliment to Mr. Lester L. Gray.

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

On Mon., Dec. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5088 INVERNESS-SHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F.

David Wilcox .. .. Treble	Basil Jones .. .. 5
Carol Fernley .. .. 2	William H. Dowse .. .. 6
Eileen M. Fearn .. .. 3	Alan McFall .. .. 7
Derek F. Yates .. .. 4	Robert B. Smith .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pitstow. Conducted by Basil Jones.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BOURN, Cambridgeshire.—At the Church of SS. Helen and Mary.

On Mon., Nov. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 16 lb. in F.

Geoffrey Pearson .. .. Treble	Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 5
Jane K. A. Cook .. .. 2	Geoffrey A. Lucas .. .. 6
Donald F. Murfet .. .. 3	Philip Mehew .. .. 7
John G. Gipson .. .. 4	George E. Thoday .. .. Tenor

Composed by Norman Smith. Conducted by George E. Thoday.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN GUILD.

GREAT BARRINGTON, Gloucestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., Nov. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being one extent of Bourne and two extents each of Beverley, Surfleet, and Cambridge.

Tenor 8 cwt.

Brian W. Hall .. .. Treble	Bertram J. Coggins .. .. 4
Frederick W. Soden .. .. 2	Peter Pearce .. .. 5
Peter G. Holden .. .. 3	D. Kay Adkins .. .. Tenor

Conducted by D. Kay Adkins.

Also to celebrate the birth of a son to the ringer of the treble.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

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

On Thurs., Dec. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

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

*Caroline Carpenter .. .. Treble	S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. .. 5
Elsie K. Hart .. .. 2	Roger Baldwin .. .. 6
H. George Hart .. .. 3	Christopher W. Woolley .. .. Tenor
†Robert N. Harris .. .. 4	Gerald Penney .. .. Tenor

Composed by S. Ivin. Conducted by Roger Baldwin.

\* First peal of Major. † First in the method.

Also a welcome to John Peter Windley, born November 23rd.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

WESTERHAM, Kent.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Mon., Nov. 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5152 CHURCHILL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 23 cwt. 17 lb. in E flat.

John O. Weller .. .. Treble	Cyril S. Jarrett .. .. 5
Ann Jenner .. .. 2	Bernard F. L. Groves .. .. 6
Martin L. Howe .. .. 3	Stanley Jenner .. .. 7
Trevor A. Cross .. .. 4	Philip A. Corby .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. Reeves. Conducted by Philip A. Corby.

The first peal in the method.

Rung in honour of the 90th birthday of Sir Winston S. Churchill.

### CHURCHILL SURPRISE MAJOR:

- 56 - 16 - 12 - 38 - 14 - 3 - 36 - 1. 8th's in place.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

HARROW WEALD, Middlesex.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Tues., Dec. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5024 CHARTWELL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb. in A.

H. George Hart .. .. Treble	G. William Critchley .. .. 5
S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. .. 2	Gerald Penney .. .. 6
Claudia A. Critchley .. .. 3	William S. Deason .. .. 7
Elsie K. Hart .. .. 4	John R. Mayne .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by John R. Mayne.

First peal in the method.

Rung and named as a 90th birthday compliment to Winston Spencer Churchill, K.G.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

KING'S LYNN, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Margaret.

On Mon., Nov. 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tom Bush .. .. Treble	Norman V. Harding .. .. 6
Leslie W. Houghton .. .. 2	Rev. M. C. C. Melville .. .. 7
Fredk. Wigmore .. .. 3	Rowland M. Reed .. .. 8
Rev. Giles C. Galley .. .. 4	David E. House .. .. 9
*Thomas E. Spight .. .. 5	Peter M. Adcock .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. Carter (C.C.C. No. 30).

Conducted by Fredk. Wigmore.

\* First peal of Grandsire Caters.

Tenor 29½ cwt.

THETFORD, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-part.	Tenor 18 cwt.
Harry B. Fuller .. .. Treble	Leslie F. Bailey .. .. 5
*Albert G. Harrison .. .. 2	Thomas E. Spight .. .. 6
*Charles R. Catchpole .. .. 3	Henry Tooke .. .. 7
Ernest H. Mastin .. .. 4	Peter M. Adcock .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Ernest H. Mastin.

\* First peal in the method.

Also a silver wedding compliment to the ringer of the treble and Mrs. Fuller.

NORWICH, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Peter Mancroft.

On Mon., Nov. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 55 lb. in F.

Arthur G. Baçon .. .. Treble	Clifford Bird .. .. 5
David Cubitt .. .. 2	George Sayer .. .. 6
H. William Barrett .. .. 3	Martin Cubitt .. .. 7
John Cox .. .. 4	Nolan Golden .. .. Tenor

Composed by Charles Middleton.

Conducted by Nolan Golden.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

EAST ILSLEY, Berks.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Dexter's variation.	Tenor 8 cwt.
Brian R. White .. .. Treble	Herbert W. Woolven .. .. 5
Patricia E. Hibbert .. .. 2	Reginald G. Hooper .. .. 6
Francis A. White .. .. 3	Brynley A. Shackleton .. .. 7
Arthur W. G. Sayers .. .. 4	John W. T. Hibbert .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Brynley A. Shackleton.

## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

WHATTON-IN-THE-VALE, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of

St. John of Beverley.

On Mon., Nov. 30, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

### A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being 4 extents of Single Oxford and 3 extents of Plain Bob.

*Cynthia L. Ward .. .. Treble	William L. Exton .. .. 4
*Sandra V. Mitchell .. .. 2	Thomas G. Goodwin .. .. 5
Pamela C. Clarke .. .. 3	Thomas O. Greasley .. .. Tenor

Conducted by William L. Exton.

\* First peal. Tenor 13 cwt. 24 lb. in E.

Also as a birthday compliment to Miss Cynthia L. Ward.

### CHARTWELL SURPRISE MAJOR:

38—58.4—58—36—14—5.14—12. 7.

2nds place lead 13527486. 4ths place bobs.



## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

SOUTH COLLINGHAM, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Wed., Dec. 2, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In 12 methods, being 4 extents each of All Saints, Rushall, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, Southrepps, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, Kennington, April Day, Seighford and one extent of Plain Bob and Grandsire.

S. Jane Dowse .. .. . Treble	Margaret E. Chilton .. 3
Ruth Blackshaw .. .. . 2	*C. Raymond Larkin .. 4

Maurice W. Harrison .. Tenor

Conducted by Maurice W. Harrison.

\* 25th peal this year.

HOLME PIERREPONT, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Edmund.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Tenor 12 cwt.

*W. Gordon Marsh .. Treble	S. Jane Dowse .. .. 3
Robert D. Marsh .. .. 2	Ruth Blackshaw .. .. 4

Margaret E. Chilton .. Tenor

Conducted by Ruth Blackshaw.

\* First peal at first attempt.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

PUTNEY, London.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in F.

Christopher F. Mew .. Treble	Michael Hatchett .. .. 5
Alison M. Mann .. .. 2	*Alan R. Millidge .. .. 6
Charles W. Ottley .. .. 3	†David C. Brookes .. .. 7
*Brian J. Bull .. .. 4	Alan E. Bagworth .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by Christopher F. Mew.

\* First peal of Surprise Major 'inside.' † First of Cambridge Major. ‡ First of Surprise Major. First of Cambridge Major as conductor.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

LONGPARISH, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Mon., Nov. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 1 lb.

In seventeen methods/variations. Being two extents each of Snodsbury, Kennington, Hilmarton, Windrush, Charlton, Norfolk, Old, Litchurch, April Day, Seighford, Dedworth, Plain Bob, Antelope, Newborough, St. Helens, three extents of Freeland and nine extents of Grandsire.

William Kewell .. .. Treble	*Christopher H. Smith .. 4
Geoffrey K. Dodd .. .. 2	Reginald F. Crook .. .. 5
*Frank R. Tonge .. .. 3	*John W. Cheney .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

\* First in 17 Doubles variations. Fastest peal on the bells.

## OTHER PEALS

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

MAULDEN, Beds.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. in F sharp.

Arthur Gibbs .. .. Treble	Geoffrey E. Watson .. .. 5
Avril Ivin .. .. 2	Walter Ayre .. .. 6
Robert L. Piron .. .. 3	Alfred E. Rushton .. .. 7
Ronald J. Sharp .. .. 4	Stephen Ivin .. .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by Stephen Ivin.

## THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

CAMBRIDGE.—At the Church of St. Andrew-the-Great.

On Thurs., Dec. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in G.

K. J. Triplow (Selwyn) Treble	*F. C. Hobson (St. John's) 5
K. J. Darvill (St. Cath's) 2	C. M. Press (King's) .. 6
*J. M. H. Hunter (Trinity) 3	C. H. Rogers (Emmanuel) 7
†R. Shipp (Peterhouse) .. 4	V. Nutton (Selwyn) .. Tenor

Composed by J. J. Parker. Conducted by Christopher H. Rogers.

\* First of Grandsire Triples. † First of Grandsire. First of Grandsire as conductor.

Kung as a 21st birthday compliment to John Harrison, an officer of the Guild.

## THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

WARWICK, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5152 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb. in F.

In seven methods, being 960 London, 928 Watford, 768 Bristol, 672 Cambridge, 640 Superlative, 608 Dorchester, 576 Pudsey with 121 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.

Edward Holdsworth .. Treble	*Ian D. Thompson .. .. 5
L. Michael Callow .. .. 2	David J. Allan .. .. 6
Maryl Crossthwaite .. .. 3	Hubert E. Ashley .. .. 7
Frederick Shallcross .. .. 4	Peter Border .. .. Tenor

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

\* First peal of Spiced. First of seven-spiced Surprise Major for all the band.

## THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

DUFFIELD, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Alkmund.

On Thurs., Nov. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in E.

Joseph C. Woolley .. Treble	Gordon A. Halls .. .. 6
Trevor Taylor .. .. 2	Douglas Derbyshire .. .. 7
Derek Astridge .. .. 3	Alan Taylor .. .. 8
George L. Roobottom .. 4	Harold Taylor .. .. 9
Michael Willis .. .. 5	John Morton .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. C. Shepherd.

Conducted by G. A. Halls.

## THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

STOCKTON, Co. Durham.—At the Parish Church.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours,

## A PEAL OF 5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 11 lb. in E flat.

Thomas Cooke .. .. Treble	*Peter Wishart .. .. 5
Janet Warwick .. .. 2	†Jack Roach .. .. 6
Denis A. Bayles .. .. 3	Thomas M. Cox .. .. 7
E. Peter Rock .. .. 4	Fred Hodgson .. .. Tenor

Composed by R. F. B. Speed.

Conducted by Thomas M. Cox.

\* First peal in the method. † First in the method 'inside.'

## GOSFORTH, Northumberland.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt. 23 lb. in E flat.

William Davidson .. Treble	Janet Warwick .. .. 5
James Crowther .. .. 2	Alan R. Patterson .. .. 6
M. Elaine Murcott .. .. 3	Eric N. Harrison .. .. 7
Jennifer Sceney .. .. 4	Michael Maughan .. .. Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.

Conducted by Michael Maughan.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

LITTLE WALTHAM.—At the Church of St. Martin.

On Fri., Nov. 13, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being extents each of London, York, Beverley, Surfleet, Ipswich, Norwich and Cambridge.

Peter G. Brown .. .. Treble	James L. Towler .. .. 4
Ian R. Panton .. .. 2	Phillip J. Rothera .. .. 5
Michael J. Cowling .. .. 3	George E. Thoday .. .. Tenor

Conducted by George E. Thoday.

## COLCHESTER, Essex.—At the Church of All Saints, Shrub End.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven 720's: (1) Double Court, (2) Cambridge Surprise, (3) Kent T.B., (4) St. Clement's, (5) Double Oxford, (6) Oxford T.B., (7) Plain Bob.

Peter G. Brown .. .. Treble	Neville F. Whittell .. .. 4
Robert E. Lester .. .. 2	Frank B. Lufkin .. .. 5
Philip J. Rothera .. .. 3	James L. Towler .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.

## THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BOURTON-ON-THE-WATER, Gloucestershire.—At the Church of St. Lawrence.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5280 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

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

Ivor Goulter .. .. Treble	Victor Griffin .. .. 5
Edward R. Venn .. .. 2	Don Exell .. .. 6
Rev. Roger Keeley .. .. 3	Anthony R. Peake .. .. 7
Cyril A. Wratten .. .. 4	Brian Bladon .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

Conducted by Anthony R. Peake.

The first of Major in seven methods for the Association.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

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

On Thurs., Nov. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In eight methods, being 1,280 Ealing, 960 London, 640 each of Rutland, Bristol, Superlative, 320 each of Cambridge, Pudsey and York-shire, with 139 changes of method.

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb. in F sharp.	
H. George Hart .. Treble	S. Kathleen M. Baldwin .. 5
Elsie K. Hart .. .. 2	Roger Baldwin .. .. 6
*Christine Rimmer .. 3	Kenneth R. Dunstan .. .. 7
Robert N. Harris .. 4	Christopher W. Woolley .. Tenor

\* First peal of Spiced.

## ST. ALBANS, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Stephen.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes,

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven different extents, with 5-6 the right way throughout.

Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb.	
John R. Ketteringham .. Treble	Roger D. Bailey .. .. 4
*Julia A. Fellows .. .. 2	*Peter J. Fells .. .. 5
*Christine M. Rimmer .. 3	Gerald Penney .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Gerald Penney.

\* First peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor.



## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

EYNSFORD, Kent.—At the Church of St. Martin.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In seven methods, being 960 London, 928 Watford, 768 Bristol, 672 Cambridge, 640 Superlative, 608 Dorchester and 576 Pudsey with 122 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 10 lb. in G.

Mrs. P. A. Corby .. .. Treble	Robert W. Hinde .. .. 5
*Cyril S. Jarrett .. .. 2	*Christopher T. Osenton .. 6
Andrew J. Corby .. .. 3	Bernard F. L. Groves .. 7
*David S. Osenton .. .. 4	*Martin L. Howe .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. J. Pitman. Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.

\* First peal of seven Spliced Surprise. First peal of seven Spliced Surprise as conductor.

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

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

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

Lucille M. Corby .. .. Treble	Andrew J. Corby .. .. 5
Judith M. Corby .. .. 2	Doris E. Colgate .. .. 6
*Isabel M. Pearce .. .. 3	Robert W. Hinde .. .. 7
Richard V. Fuller .. .. 4	Philip A. Corby .. .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. Worsley (C.C.C. 11).

Conducted by Philip A. Corby.

\* First peal in the method.

Rung on St. Nicholas' Eve, to mark the completion by the Rector, Revd. E. M. T. McLellan, of 25 years in the Ministry, and ten years at Sevenoaks.

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

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

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

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb. in F.

Nicholas J. Davies .. .. Treble	Dennis A. Chapman .. .. 4
Thomas Cullingworth .. 2	Crawford T. Hillis .. .. 5
Alexander Waddington .. 3	John R. Cooper .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Crawford T. Hillis.

First peal on the bells, a ring of five since pre-Reformation date, augmented to six in 1853.

Rung on the eve of the Patronal Festival to celebrate the restoration of the tower and bells, rededicated on November 12th.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ACCRINGTON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sun., Nov. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In four methods, being one extent each of Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B., two St. Clement's and three Plain Bob.

Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.

Raymond D. Helliwell .. Treble	Philip S. Woods .. .. 4
Michael Bell .. .. 2	Roger Leigh .. .. 5
John P. Partington .. .. 3	Anthony J. Helliwell .. Tenor

Conducted by Roger Leigh.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

GRANTHAM, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Wulfram.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 LINDSEY SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 32½ cwt. in C sharp.

Geoffrey M. Brewin .. .. Treble	Alan E. Hartley .. .. 6
John E. Cook .. .. 2	E. Alan Jacques .. .. 7
Malcolm E. Wade .. .. 3	Roland H. Cook .. .. 8
Denis A. Frith .. .. 4	A. Maxwell Lindsey .. .. 9
William A. Lacey .. .. 5	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. Tenor

Composed by John M. Jeiley. Conducted by William A. Lacey.

GREAT BOWDEN, Leicestershire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being 19 extents of Plain Bob (four callings) and 23 of Grandsire (ten callings).

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 lb.

*Michael Brooks .. .. Treble	*Edward C. Cowd .. .. 3
Judy Morris .. .. 2	Edward W. Martin .. .. 4

Raymond H. Martin .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Edward W. Martin.

\* First peal.

First peal to be rung at this church by an entirely local hand.

SAPCOTE, Leicestershire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In 13 methods, viz.: (1) Keiso, (2) London and Wells, (3) Norwich, (4) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Huli, Primrose and Bourne, (5) York, (6) Beverley and Surfleet, (7) Cambridge.

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in A flat.

Richard J. Clifton .. .. Treble	Brian L. Burrows .. .. 4
Christine J. Stratford .. 2	John Watkins .. .. 5
Laurence Watkins .. .. 3	Michael E. Brown .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Michael E. Brown.

The 50th peal on the bells.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

BARROW-ON-HUMBER, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr.

Derek F. Yates .. .. Treble	Michael W. Crowder .. 5
C. Aubrey Harrison .. .. 2	*William H. Dowse .. .. 6
Jack Bray .. .. 3	David S. Johnson .. .. 7
John Hall .. .. 4	Rev. Frederick Ross .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by Jack Bray.

\* 200th peal.

BARTON-ON-HUMBER, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 2 lb.

Ronald Chafer .. .. Treble	Michael W. Crowder .. 5
Derek F. Yates .. .. 2	Michael Whiting .. .. 6
Jack Bray .. .. 3	John Hall .. .. 7
*Geoffrey Bromfield .. 4	William H. Dowse .. .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pitstow.

Conducted by Michael W. Crowder.

\* First of Surprise 'inside.'

Rung on the 50th anniversary of the rehanging of the bells at St. Mary's and St. Peter's by Gillett and Johnston.

BRANSTON, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR

Being two 2,160's (C.C.C. Nos. 152, 153) and one, 720.

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb. in F sharp.

*Vaughan P. Evans .. .. Treble	Phillip C. Pitchford .. 4
William R. Parker .. .. 2	James H. Mussion .. .. 5
Amos Ingall .. .. 3	Louis Willders .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Louis Willders.

\* First peal of Treble Bob. First of Oxford T.B. Minor by all, except the ringer of the 5th.

Rung for the wedding of Mr. John Leslie Green and Miss Margaret Irene Redford, who was a chorister and ringer at the above church.

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

ABERGAVENTNY, Moamouthshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Oct. 24, 1964, in 3 Hours and 37 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL

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

Tudor P. Edwards .. .. Treble	David J. Llewellyn .. 6
F. John Nelson .. .. 2	John Robinson .. .. 7
Maryl R. Crossthaite .. 3	Denis Mottershead .. 8
Roger G. Havard .. .. 4	John H. Fielden .. .. 9
Neil Bennett .. .. 5	Frederick Shallcross .. Tenor

Conducted by F. John Nelson.

CARDIFF, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Thurs., Nov. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS

Tenor 26 cwt. 4 lb. in D.

*Nicholas D. Evans .. .. Treble	Michael Pilgrim .. .. 6
Thomas Yeomans .. .. 2	M. Jack Pryor .. .. 7
*Penelope J. Welch .. .. 3	David J. Llewellyn .. 8
A. Ryan Price .. .. 4	Brian J. Woodruffe .. 9
*Jack Alsop .. .. 5	William T. Petty .. .. Tenor

Composed by James Topp.

Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

\* First peal of Grandsire Caters.

LLANFEIGAN, Breconshire.—At the Church of St. Meagan.

On Sun., Oct. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5184 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 19 lb. in G.

Penelope J. Welch .. .. Treble	David J. Llewellyn .. 5
John H. Fielden .. .. 2	Frederick Shallcross .. 6
Maryl R. Crossthaite .. 3	Tudor P. Edwards .. .. 7
John Robinson .. .. 4	Denis Mottershead .. Tenor

Composed by Norman Smith.

Conducted by John H. Fielden.

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## THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

ABERAVON, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5184 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Heywood's Variation.

*Nicholas D. Evans .. .. Treble	Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lb. in F.
†Ruth E. Havard .. .. 2	Nicholas W. H. Simon .. 5
Penelope J. Welch .. .. 3	M. Jack Pryor .. .. 6
J. Arthur Hoare .. .. 4	David J. Llewellyn .. .. 7
	Brian J. Woodruffe .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

\* First peal of Surprise Major.

† First of Surprise Major 'inside.'

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

HILLINGDON, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5067 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in E flat.

John Hill .. .. Treble	William Birmingham .. .. 6
Robin G. Leale .. .. 2	Frederick Scott .. .. 7
Ruth M. Foreman .. .. 3	Dennis Knox .. .. 8
William S. Deason .. .. 4	David P. Hilling .. .. 9
J. Keith Ward .. .. 5	Frederick W. Goodfellow .. Tenor

Composed by David E. Parsons (No. 5).

Conducted by John Hill.

A birthday compliment to the Vicar, Preb. F. C. Tyler.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

KESSINGLAND, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Edmund.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. in F sharp.

Peter Kindred .. .. Treble	Michael Utton .. .. 4
Thomas J. Brock .. .. 2	Stephen F. High .. .. 5
John W. Sampson .. .. 3	J. Barry Pickup .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. Barry Pickup.

Rung as a farewell to the Rev. T. Drury, who has been Rector for eight years.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

DORCHESTER, Oxfordshire.—At the Abbey Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

On Thurs., Dec. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 DORCHESTER SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 17 cwt.

Susan J. Howes .. .. Treble	Giles R. Shedden .. .. 5
Christopher C. Clarke .. 2	Frederick R. Scott .. .. 6
William Birmingham .. .. 3	Wilfrid G. Wilson .. .. 7
Edward R. Venn .. .. 4	Alan R. Pink .. .. Tenor

Composed by J. L. Morris.

Conducted by Alan R. Pink.

First peal in the method by all the band and for the Guild.

Rung specially for the Feast of St. Birinus.

HURST, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb. in F.

Charles Coles .. .. Treble	*Bernard C. Castle .. .. 5
Alice E. J. Lester .. .. 2	Giles R. Shedden .. .. 6
*Rev. E. B. Wood .. .. 3	Christopher C. Clarke .. 7
*Mrs. B. C. Castle .. .. 4	Alan R. Pink .. .. Tenor

Composed by Arthur Craven.

Conducted by Alan R. Pink.

\* First peal in the method.

Rung on the eve of the Feast of St. Nicholas.

SPEEN, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Wed., Nov. 25, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

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

*Philip Murduck .. .. Treble	Frank W. Lewis .. .. 4
Eunice A. Lewis .. .. 2	Geoffrey K. Dodd .. .. 5
T. Felicity Webber .. .. 3	Brian J. Luff .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

\* First in seven Minor methods.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

FINEDON, Northants.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in D.

Frank E. Coales .. .. Treble	Denis G. Pearson .. .. 5
John G. Mitchell .. .. 2	Charles Richardson .. .. 6
*Richard J. Cowley .. .. 3	Ian W. Hall .. .. 7
*Edward C. Buckley .. .. 4	Murray A. Coleman .. .. Tenor

Composed by A. Knights.

Conducted by Murray A. Coleman.

\* First peal in the method.

Rung in memoriam John R. Main, November 28th, 1960.

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

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 22 cwt. 8 lb.

Johnson's Variation.	G. William Critchley .. .. 5
Stuart J. Hutton .. .. Treble	Colin A. S. Harwood .. .. 6
J. Richard Castledine .. 2	John H. Bluff .. .. 7
Peter M. Fleckney .. .. 3	Jack S. Dear .. .. Tenor
Claudia A. Critchley .. .. 4	

Conducted by G. William Critchley.

EDITH WESTON, Rutland.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being one 2,160 (C.C.C. 50, 57, 58) and four extents (C.C.C. 31, 32, 48, 49).

Derek J. Jones .. .. Treble	Alan G. Payne .. .. 4
Keith R. Davey .. .. 2	Frank Taylor .. .. 5
J. Martin Thorley .. .. 3	E. Alan Jacques .. .. Tenor

Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.

## ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Thurs., Nov. 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

Michael J. Fellows .. .. Treble	Edward W. Colley .. .. 7
*George E. Fearn .. .. 2	Martin D. Fellows .. .. 8
Susan Funnell .. .. 3	Norman J. Goodman .. .. 9
Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 4	David J. Purnell .. .. 10
†Robert E. Hardy .. .. 5	J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. 11
John C. Eisel .. .. 6	*Clifford A. Barron .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

\* 200th peal together. † First of Maximus.

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

On Thurs., Nov. 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5042 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

George E. Fearn .. .. Treble	Edward W. Colley .. .. 7
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. 2	John C. Eisel .. .. 8
Susan Funnell .. .. 3	Frederick Shallcross .. 9
Michael J. Fellows .. .. 4	David J. Purnell .. .. 10
Martin D. Fellows .. .. 5	J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. 11
Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 6	Peter Border .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

First peal of Lincolnshire Maximus by all the band, except Mr. Geo. E. Fearn.

WALSALL, Staffs.—At the Church of St. Matthew.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 26 cwt. 18 lb. in D.

Susan Funnell .. .. Treble	Clifford A. Barron .. .. 7
R. George Morris .. .. 2	Martin D. Fellows .. .. 8
John C. Eisel .. .. 3	Norman J. Goodman .. .. 9
*Maurice G. Ingram .. .. 4	David J. Purnell .. .. 10
Michael J. Fellows .. .. 5	George E. Fearn .. .. 11
F. Hector Bennett .. .. 6	J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. Tenor

Arranged by Peter Border.

Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

\* First peal of Maximus.

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

On Thurs., Nov. 26, 1964, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

John C. Eisel .. .. Treble	James R. Taylor .. .. 7
Martin D. Fellows .. .. 2	D. John Hunt .. .. 8
*Jennifer M. Taylor .. .. 3	Norman J. Goodman .. .. 9
*Gillian M. Hussey .. .. 4	George E. Fearn .. .. 10
Michael J. Fellows .. .. 5	J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. 11
Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 6	Ralph G. Edwards .. .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Roderick W. Pipe.

\* First peal on 12 bells. † First of Maximus.

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

On Thurs., Dec. 3, 1964, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5042 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

Robert E. Hardy .. .. Treble	Edward W. Colley .. .. 7
Susan Funnell .. .. 2	Michael J. Fellows .. .. 8
*Iris M. E. Lemare .. .. 3	Norman J. Goodman .. .. 9
Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 4	Frederick Shallcross .. 10
John C. Eisel .. .. 5	George E. Fearn .. .. 11
†Martin D. Fellows .. .. 6	Peter Border .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Peter Border.

\* First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Maximus. † 200th peal.

BIRMINGHAM.—At the Church of St. Nicholas, King's Norton.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 17 cwt. 34 lb. in E.

Robert E. Hardy .. .. Treble	Susan Funnell .. .. 6
David J. Purnell .. .. 2	Norman J. Goodman .. .. 7
Henry H. Fearn .. .. 3	J. Alan Ainsworth .. .. 8
John R. Ketteringham .. 4	Roderick W. Pipe .. .. 9
Philip J. Rothera .. .. 5	George E. Fearn .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. Tipler.

200th peal as conductor.

Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.



## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

WESTBOURNE, Sussex.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in G.

*Douglas P. Snoswell .. Treble	Herbert W. Woolven .. 5
*Valerie J. Howard .. 2	John A. Howard .. 6
*Derek Slater .. 3	W. Arthur Riddington .. 7
Ernest Treagus .. 4	Frank H. Hicks .. Tenor

Composed by A. Craven.

Conducted by Frank H. Hicks.

\* First peal in the method.

Rung for the birth (November 5th) of Nicholas Philip St. Maur Williams, son of the Rector, the Rev. J. and Mrs. Williams. Also a 21st birthday compliment to Bernard J. Stone, of St. Peter's, Brighton.

BECKLEY, Sussex.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being two extents of Oxford, two of Kent and three of Plain Bob.

Valerie J. Howard .. Treble	*William Button .. 4
Derek Slater .. 2	Herbert W. Woolven .. 5
M. Peter Howard .. 3	John A. Howard .. Tenor

Conducted by John A. Howard.

\* 75th peal.

Tenor 13 cwt.

A birthday compliment for Prince Charles; also for the birth of Andrew Mark Slater, and the baptism of Anthony David Howard.

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

NEW ALRESFORD, Hants.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., Nov. 21, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5008 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb. in F.

*Margaret A. Thomas .. Treble	†John R. Faithfull .. 5
*Michael J. Thomas .. 2	Maurice J. Butler .. 6
Carolyn Vibert .. 3	Peter J. Joyce .. 7
Stephen Kirby .. 4	†David J. Forder .. Tenor

Composed by Tom Chapman.

Conducted by David J. Forder.

\* First peal † 25th together.

OVERTON, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 10½ cwt.

*Kay Winterbourne .. Treble	Philip Murduck .. 5
Paul G. Holmes .. 2	†Michael S. Holbrook .. 6
Reginald W. Rex .. 3	Geoffrey K. Dodd .. 7
Denby P. Murduck .. 4	Bradley Murduck .. Tenor

Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd.

\* First peal on eight bells. † 30th peal. First of Grandsire Triples on the bells.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

STRENSHAM, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sun., Oct. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 11 cwt.

Ronald J. Stephens .. Treble	Ian Lloyd .. 4
*Ann E. Collet .. 2	Arthur C. Berry .. 5
John H. W. Firkins .. 3	James Attwood, jun. .. Tenor

Conducted by James Attwood, jun.

\* First peal of Minor.

CROPTHORNE, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Michael.

On Thurs., Nov. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

Being ten extents of Grandsire, six of Kennington and Southrepps, five of Reverse Canterbury and three each of Dedworth, Wychbold, April Dav. Plain Bob and Reverse St. Bartholomew. Tenor 10 cwt.

*Robert Shepherd .. Treble	Arthur C. Berry .. 4
Ann E. Collet .. 2	Ian Lloyd .. 5
Arthur A. Jopp .. 3	Ronald J. Stephens .. Tenor

Conducted by Arthur C. Berry.

\* First peal.

ALDERTON, Gloucestershire.—At the Church of St. Margaret.

On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents, all Singles. Tenor 9½ cwt.

Ronald J. Stephens .. Treble	John E. Whittall .. 4
Arthur A. Jopp .. 2	James Attwood Jun. .. 5
Ian Lloyd .. 3	Arthur C. Berry .. Tenor

Conducted by Arthur C. Berry.

HARBURY, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sun., Nov. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR**

In three methods, comprising 1,760 changes each of Cambridge and Yorkshire, and 1,600 of Lincolnshire, with 84 changes of method, and all the bells doing all the work of each method.

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb. in F sharp.

*Ian Lloyd .. Treble	Edward Colley .. 5
*Arthur C. Berry .. 2	Michael J. Fellows .. 6
Martin D. Fellows .. 3	John C. Eisel .. 7
Geoffrey J. Hemming .. 4	Gerald C. Hemming .. Tenor

Composed by Phillip G. K. Davies.

Conducted by Gerald C. Hemming.

\* First peal of Spliced Surprise. First of three Spliced as conductor.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

HEDON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Augustine.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours.

**A PEAL OF 5184 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in E.

*Howard C. Palmer .. Treble	†Ian G. Campbell .. 5
†Graham K. Smith .. 2	Rev. Frederick Ross .. 6
†Alan Sheppard .. 3	†David S. Johnson .. 7
†Ronald Ducker .. 4	Wilfrid F. Moreton .. Tenor

Composed by Norman Smith.

Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.

\* First peal of Treble Bob Major. † First of Surprise Major.

† First of Rutland.

DONCASTER, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. George.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5088 DONCASTER SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 30½ cwt.

Kathleen M. Higgins .. Treble	Neil Donovan .. 5
Howard Scott .. 2	Vernon Bottomley .. 6
Jeanne E. Bottomley .. 3	Gordon Benfield .. 7
W. Eric Critchley .. 4	Richard E. Price .. Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.

Rung as a farewell to Canon A. Jowett, recently installed as Dean of Manchester.

SILKSTONE, Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

(Barnsley and District Society.)

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 TREBLE BOB MINOR**

Being an extent each of College Exercise, Norbury, Sandal, Kingston, London Scholars, Kent and Oxford. Tenor 12 cwt.

Elizabeth Peace .. Treble	Christopher A. Moxon .. 4
*Patricia Lockwood .. 2	Noel F. Moxon .. 5
*Ian North .. 3	Trevor Tarbatt .. Tenor

Conducted by Noel F. Moxon.

\* First peal in seven Minor methods.

A farewell to the Revs. E. Crick and A. Blackledge, who are leaving the neighbouring parishes of Hoylandswaine and Penistone.

STOCKTON-ON-THE-FOREST, Yorkshire.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINIMUS**

In ten methods, being 21 extents each of Canterbury Pleasure, Reverse St. Nicholas, St. Nicholas, Double Bob, Reverse Plain Bob, Double Court, Reverse Court, Single Court, Reverse Canterbury and Plain Bob. Tenor 5 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in C.

Ian Johnson .. Treble	Edwin P. King .. 3
*Ray Aldington .. 2	Michael King .. Tenor

Conducted by Michael King.

\* First peal. First peal of Minimus for all, the Association and on the bells.

Rung to mark the rededication of the church after redecoration at the Rector's request.

## HANDBELL PEALS

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

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

On Tues., Nov. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 15 in C.

*Alan McFall .. 1—2	†Robert B. Smith .. 5—6
C. Kenneth Lewis .. 3—4	John Worth .. 7—8

Composed and Conducted by Robert B. Smith.

\* First peal of Major 'in hand.' † 50th of Major 'in hand.'

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

WHEATHAMPSTEAD, Hertfordshire.—At Wayside Cottage.

On Mon., Nov. 23, 1964, in 2 Hours and 10 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 15 in C.

Gerald Penney .. 1—2	*Martyn L. J. Jordan .. 5—6
*Julia A. Fellows .. 3—4	*Roger D. R. Brown .. 7—8

Composed by N. J. Pitstow.

Conducted by Gerald Penney.

\* First peal in the method.

## THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

Both rung at SWANSEA, Glamorgan.—At Mor-Awelon, Lon Derw, Tycoch.

On Fri., Nov. 20, 1964, in 2 Hours and 19 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5264 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor size 18 in G.

Hazel Way .. 1—2	J. Arthur Hoare .. 5—6
Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) .. 3—4	Richard T. Smith .. 7—8

Composed by C. Kenneth Lewis. Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

On Sun., Nov. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 11 Minutes.

**A PEAL OF 5016 SPLICED MAJOR**

In two methods, being 792 Gainsborough Little Bob, and 4,224 Plain Bob, with 132 changes of method. Tenor size 18 in G.

Hazel Way .. 1—2	J. Arthur Hoare .. 5—6
Brian J. Woodruffe (cond.) .. 3—4	*Richard T. Smith .. 7—8

Composed and Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

\* First peal in this arrangement.



## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

'The Ringing World' Committee, the Editor, Mr. Jeater and the staff send their Christmas greetings to all readers. May the joy of ringing Christmas bells be in the hearts of all who ring and their families.

Christmas greetings from all ringers in AUSTRALIA and NEW ZEALAND to our fellow ringers in the British Isles, particularly to those intending to visit us on Great Adventure II. 5752

A merry Christmas to all at home and far away places.—J. S. ARMSTRONG, 21, Duncan Gardens, Morpeth. 5890

Greetings to all ringers—wilful, skilful, cart-wheelers, open leaders, regulars, irregulars, Yorkshire enders, plain enders, Maximus and Minimus. —BARNSELY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. 5894

A happy Christmas to all our friends in the Sussex County Association and East Grinstead and Railwaymen's Guilds.—CHARLIE and EDITH BASSETT, Wadhurst, Sussex. 5945

To all ringing friends, everywhere, at home and abroad. A merry Christmas and a happy New Year is the sincere wish of JIM BENNETT, Grundisburgh. 5919

The REV. P. N. BOND sends sincere greetings and all good wishes for a happy and holy Christmas to all ringing friends, especially fellow Cumberlands and Clerical Guild members. 5920

DONALD, JOHN and IAN FRANKS, of Radlett, Herts, wish all their ringing friends a very happy Christmas, and special thanks from John to the ringers in Southampton who helped to make his stay in their area such an enjoyable one. 5937

Sincere good wishes for Christmas and the New Year to all my many ringing friends.—PAUL FIELD, 17, Stonehill, Stoke-sub-Hamdon, Somerset. 5944

Sincere greetings and all good wishes for Christmas and the New Year to all ringing friends, and especially to members of the Winchester and Portsmouth and Sussex Guilds.—Mr. and Mrs. S. J. HARDING, Catherington, Portsmouth. 5952

Mr. and Mrs. C. HOLAWAY, Lindsay Court, Guest House, Carbis Bay, St. Ives, Cornwall, would like to wish all their patrons

the compliments of the season, and look forward to receiving their bookings for the coming season. 5941

Christmas greetings to all members of the Sussex County Association, remembering especially at this time any who are ill and those no longer able to ring.—From REG JOHNSON. 5927

Best wishes to all my ringing friends for Christmas and New Year, with plenty of good ringing.—From HERBERT W. KNIGHT, 6, Church Road, Redhill, Wokingham, Bristol. 5904

Christmas greetings and best wishes for the New Year to all our friends.—From DAVID, FRANCES, GEORGE and HILDA MASSEY, Parbury Bungalow, 94, Vallis Road, Frome, Somerset. 5905

To all who know us at Nailsea and all around. I send my warmest greetings for a happy Christmas time and all that makes it happy and joyful. May God bless you all in your ringing and in His service.—N. S. T. G. (Zumerstet). 5934

To all friends, old and new, far and near, best wishes for Christmas and the coming year.—CHAS. J. and M. SEDGLEY, 61, Belvedere Road, Ipswich. 5899

Best wishes for Christmas and a happy 1965 to all ringers everywhere. Continued success to 'The Ringing World'—WILLIAM SHEPHERD, 22, Chapel Grove, Addlestone, Surrey. 5895

To all ringing friends everywhere: my many Guilds and Associations especially 'The Railwaymen's' for the great privilege and pleasure as Master: our 'Ringing World'—cheap at twice the price: the Editor, Mr. White, and staff. A very happy Christmas, a pleasant and profitable New and succeeding years: also our grateful thanks for many happy years and times: good ringing.—FRANK and ADA STENSON.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. SMALLWOOD extend to all ringing friends everywhere, sincere wishes for a happy Christmas, and prosperity, good health and good ringing in 1965.—S. Stanton Close, Darley Dale. 5940

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DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Derby.—A.G.M. at St. Peter's, Derby on December 19th, at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to M. A. Willis, 33, Gisborne Close, Mickleover, Derby. 5897

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—Meeting Downham Market, Saturday, December 19th. Bells (8) 2.30, service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. E. Mastin, St. Edmund's Road, Downham Market. 5908

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—Harpden, December 19th. Bells (8) 3 p.m., tea 5 p.m., Evensong 6.30 p.m. Ringing afterwards until 8 p.m. Names for tea to M. A. Coburn, 3, Lea Road, Harpenden. (No name no tea.)—M. A. Coburn. 5907

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Nottingham District.—Annual meeting, Nottingham St. Mary's, Saturday, January 2nd. Bells (10) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea for those who notify Mrs. S. Foskett, 6, Charles Street, Arnold, by December 31st.—S. Adams. 5958

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.—Quarterly meeting at Ditchling (8) on Saturday, Dec 19th. Bells 3 p.m., service 4.30, tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to J. R. Norris, 117, Cuckfield Road, Hurstpierpoint. 5916

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## DEATHS

COPE.—On December 1st, 1964, in hospital, Walter James Cope, of 41, Sandy Lane, Fakenham, Norfolk, aged 80. For 60 years a ringer at Lichfield Cathedral, and latterly at Alrewas, Staffordshire. 5928

SEAR.—Harry, late of 41, Oliver Road, Blechley, who passed away on December 11th, 1964, in his 86th year, at Northampton General Hospital after a short illness. 5959

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**GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS**—N.E. Branch.—Annual meeting at Tiverton (8), Saturday, January 2nd, 3 p.m., service 4.15, tea after. Names for tea by previous Thursday to G. W. Hollis, Roseneath Avenue, Tiverton. 5938

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION**—S.E. District.—A.G.M. at Gt. Waltham, Sat., January 2nd. Bells 2.30, service 4.30. Names for tea to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury, by Thursday, Dec. 31st. No name no tea. 5925

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**—Kingston District.—Annual meeting at Kingston, Saturday, January 2nd. Bells (6) 3 p.m., service 4, tea 4.30 p.m., at Central Cafe. Names by previous Tuesday to Mrs. E. Chandler, Beechgrove, Kingston. 5952

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION**—Tonbridge District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Leigh on Saturday, January 2nd. Bells available at 3 p.m., service 4.15 p.m., tea at 5 p.m. Names for tea essential to Mr. B. W. Pankhurst, Chestnuts, The Green, Leigh, near Tonbridge by Wednesday, Dec. 30th. Shipbourne bells will be available after meeting.—W.H.D., Hon. Dis. Sec. 5948

**SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY**—Meeting in Sheffield, Saturday January 2nd. St. Marie's bells 3 till 5.30. Tea at St. Marie's. Cathedral bells after tea. Names for tea please to M. H. Hurst, Carver Lane, Sheffield 1 (Tel. 22447)—J. Seager, Sec. 5943

**SWANSEA AND BRECON GUILD**—Central District.—A.G.M. at St. Mary, Brecon, on January 2nd. Bells at 2.30 p.m., service at 4 p.m., tea and meeting to follow. Bells available after. Names for tea to M. R. Thomas, Ty Gorsaf, Brecon.—M.R.T. 5903

#### LATE NEWS

We regret to hear of the death of Mr. Harry Sear, of Blechley, aged 86 years.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. J. F. Smallwood has been in hospital for an operation. He writes: 'It was painful while it lasted, but the stitches are now out, and I'll soon be out and about again, I hope.' His many friends send to him and to Mrs. Smallwood their best wishes for speedy recoveries.

**HISTON, CAMBS.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: E. Brown 1, C. Diver 2, W. Muncey 3, J. Hawes 4, C. Gooding 5, M. Hawes (cond.) 6.

**NORTH PETHERWYN, DEVON.**—On Dec. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: D. R. Bould 1, H. Hicks 2, Margaret A. Bould (first as cond.) 3, W. C. Boucher 4, H. Stacey 5, T. L. Cundy 6. First in method for all except treble.

## QUARTER PEALS

**HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.**—On Nov. 22nd, 1,320 Doubles (St. Edmund's and All Saints): S. J. Dowse 1, C. R. Larkin 2, R. Blackshaw—(cond.) 3, M. W. Harrison 4, J. A. Heaps 5. For Patronal Festival Evensong. Also on Nov. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Barker 1, S. J. Dowse 2, R. Blackshaw 3, M. W. Harrison and J. Meredith 4, J. A. Heaps (cond.) 5, C. R. Larkin 6. For Evensong.

**ITCHINGFIELD, SUSSEX.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Miss D. M. Mullins 1, J. D. Nelson 2, C. M. Godfrey 3, B. C. Burrough 4, D. D. Smith (cond.) 5.

**ROMFORD, ESSEX.**—On Nov. 24th, 1,260 Grand-sire Triples: Mrs. M. Poolman 1, Miss A. Rowland 2, D. Heath 3, F. Markham 4, S. Croucher 5, V. Williams 6, W. Poolman (cond.) 7, H. Perry 8. Also on Dec. 6th, 1,260 Doubles (Stedman, Plain Bob, Grandsire: Mrs. M. Poolman 1, F. Markham 2, D. Heath 3, V. Williams (first as cond. more than one method) 4, W. Poolman 5, H. Perry 6. First in more than one method 1, 2 and 3. For Evensong, and as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

**ROUGHAM, SUFFOLK.**—On Dec. 5th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. R. E. Lester 1, R. E. Lester 2, E. Daniels 3, R. Rose 4, L. Wright 5, M. J. Rose (cond.) 6. A compliment to Miss A. M. Greaves, S.R.N., and Mr. J. B. Morley, married here the same day.

**SELBY, YORKS.**—Dec. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. J. Swann (first on working bell) 1, C. M. Brown 2, T. H. Foster 3, A. Grundy 5, R. R. Warford (cond.) 6. For Evensong on Bible Sunday.

**WARNHAM, SUSSEX.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Bob Major: Miss I. Gocher 1, M. Turner 2, Miss D. M. Mullins 3, J. D. Nelson 4, R. A. Banner (first in method) 5, M. I. Davey 6, G. Francis 7, D. D. Smith (cond.) 8.

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## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

### Stow-on-the-Wold Branch

The Rev. L. W. Potter, presiding at the annual general meeting of the Stow-on-the-Wold Branch held at Stow-on-the-Wold on Dec. 4th, complimented the branch on having a successful year. Paying tribute to the secretary's report he was pleased to note that there was an increase in membership and that the meetings had been well attended. He was also pleased that the requests for ringing on special occasions had been carried out and that every effort had been made to visit towers where no regular ringing took place.

The branch's proposal to the Association that the form of service held at meetings throughout the Diocese should be revised was confirmed and that the Association general secretary be advised of the form of services that took place in the Branch giving full particulars of prayers and hymns that were used.

To give full publicity of Branch meetings the Rural Dean said that he would insert in the Deanery Magazine notification of forthcoming meetings. It was also decided that clergy who wanted their bells rung for special occasions were to contact the Branch secretary.

Elections: Rev. L. W. Potter, R.D. chairman; Mr. L. C. Dowdeswell secretary and treasurer for the fourth time; Mr. A. W. Wright, of Bourton-on-the-Water, Branch ringing master; Mr. L. Joyne, of Longborough, his deputy. Mr. John Hickox, of Moreton-in-the-Marsh, was appointed to represent the Branch on the Association Management Committee.

A short service was conducted in the afternoon by the Rector, the Rev. I. C. Heron, who in his address spoke of the services that the bellringers were giving to the church. He stressed that bellringing was not a hobby and that the ringing of church bells should be regarded as praise to God and not as an enjoyment for the ringers themselves.

After tea further ringing took place when some excellent 'touches' of Grandsire and Stedman Triples were rung. For the first time two eight bell towers were available and the meeting concluded with a visit to ring the bells of St. David's, Moreton-in-Marsh. At this tower 'touches' of Bob Major and Grandsire and Stedman Triples were rung. D.

### LECKHAMPTON'S RINGING CURATE NOW A VICAR

The Rev. John Homfray, for the last seven years curate of St. Peter's, Leckhampton, was inducted to the living of Staverton and Bod-dington, Gloucestershire, on December 3rd. Mr. Homfray, who is the Secretary of the Cheltenham branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Guild, has been very active training young ringers during his stay at Leckhampton and there is now a strong young band ringing regularly for Sunday services.

On November 28th, the ringers met at the church to present to Mr. Homfray an oak chiming clock as a token of their appreciation of his services to the tower. After the presentation was over an attempt was made to ring a peal of Grandsire Triples but whether the ringers were affected by their mixed emotions on Mr. Homfray's preferment or by the fact that at the last minute Mr. Brian Read, who was to have attempted his first peal, had broken his toe and had to stand down is not known but neither a peal nor even a quarter peal which was subsequently attempted would 'go'. The ringers taking part were: D. A. Newcombe, W. A. Farmer, A. J. Newman, A. C. Newman, T. N. Stephens, H. Read, A. Pendlebury and Rev. John Homfray.

Though bitterly disappointed the ringers were determined not to allow the occasion to pass unmarked and on the evening of Mr. Homfray's induction, there being no bells at Staverton, they rang a quarter peal at Leckhampton starting at the same time as the induction service. 1,260 Grandsire Triples was rung in 41 minutes by A. P. Soence 1, T. N. Stephens 2, A. C. Newman 3, H. Read (cond.) 4, W. H. Woodyatt 5, W. A. Farmer 6, A. Pendlebury 7, A. H. Harrison 8.

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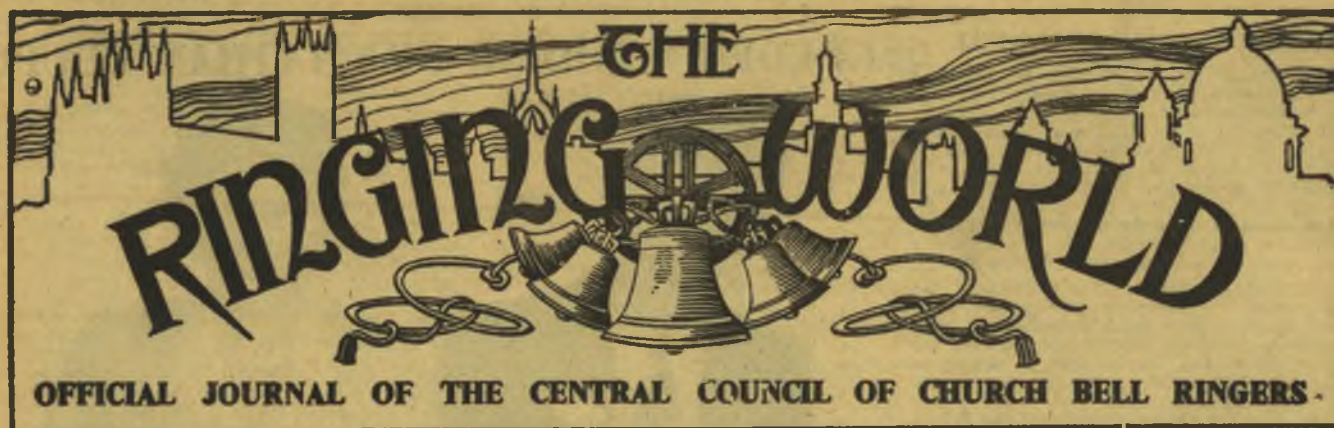
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## CAMPANALOGIA — 1702

By R. ROGER SAVORY

'BELL-RINGER 1700 A.D.' — This must surely have been a somewhat onerous title to bear in public in those days, for there were undoubtedly many slurs cast upon the Exercise during that period (some probably not without foundation). To take up the Art must therefore, for many a man, have needed considerable persuasion. This latter fact is evidenced by the preamble contained in a Campanalogia of that day, for the authors of this intriguing little book spend considerable time and effort in attempting to persuade their uninitiated readers that the many objections voiced against ringing were but ill-founded.

It is my good fortune to possess an original (though not complete) copy of this Campanalogia of 1702, written by J.D. and C.M., and probably printed in Cambridge. Should any reader be able to supply more comprehensive information about this book, I would be very pleased to hear from him.

Several of my ringing friends who have seen this Campanalogia have derived a great deal of amusement from the preamble, beside expressing wonder at some of the very 'unorthodox' methods described, such as Jumping Doubles (none of your simple one step at a time changes of position as used today, but leaping from lead to 3rds to 5ths to 3rds and back to lead in 4 blows!).

However, of far more general appeal I feel would be a few extracts from the worthy authors' persuasive preamble which, in their valiant defence of the Exercise, conjures up much of the life of 250 years ago.

I feel sure that many of the 'Objections' which the authors quote as being representative of public opinion of that day may be heard, if in somewhat modified terms, even today. Perhaps some of the authors' counters might be of use today also! But let the words of 1702 speak for themselves.

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It is convenient and requisite by way of Preamble to say somewhat in Opposition to what is offered and laid down by a company of brainless and unthinking Persons (who nevertheless think their Judgements to be universal) . . . and make out what they so irrationally and partially have spoke and uttered in Disgrace and Disparagement of the Ingenious Art, which has so worthily deserved the Praise and good word of all People.'

'And first, 'tis objected against as mean and mechanical because 'tis followed by Persons whose course of Lives (as reported) has been infamous; and also by Persons whose Subsistence is gained by painful and hard labour; and therefore not fit for one that has been genteely and handsomely brought up and educated.

To this we Answer, That there is no Exercise or Diversion whatsoever, followed or used by the Nobility or Gentry, but

is used and followed by the Common Sort of People, and with whom they at some time never scruple or think it beneath their Dignity to make them their Fellows and Glass or Pot Companions.

The same Objection may be made against a Person of Quality whose delight is in playing on the Violin or any other Common Instrument of Musick; because many poor and silly Fellows get a Livelihood by going from Door to Door and House to House playing their unpleasing and tuneless Musick, and bear the name of Scrapers or Fiddlers.

But as Musick is made more genteel and harmonious by Consorts composed of the most Skilful of Musicians, so is the Art of Ringing made the like by a skilful number of Persons incorporated into a Society, sober and subject to Rules consistent and coherent with Civility and Genteel Behaviour. Several very eminent Masters of Musick have followed and diverted themselves much in Ringing . . . an Exercise and Diversion by them much esteemed to be very harmonious, and not in the least inferior to the Melody of the Most Musical of Instruments.

Another Objection made against the Practice of this Art is, That it withdraws and alienates Men's minds from the Business by which they obtain and procure Subsistence for themselves and Families, making them Drunkards, neglective of their Occupations and Trades, and consequently bring utter Ruin and Impoverishment on themselves and all that depend upon them.

In Answer to this we say, That there is no Exercise or Diversion whatsoever but will bring and reduce a Man to Necessity and Penury, unless used with Discretion, Prudence and Moderation. Nay, though he has an Estate to support his Extravagancy and Profuseness for a time, yet in the end it concludes with such Estate spent, Imprisonment to himself and want for his whole Family, as appears by daily Examples! Whereas, on the contrary, it never was known that any Person ever brought himself to Penury by following this Exercise, but if at any time a Ringer has failed and come to want, it will be found, upon a strict and exact Examination of the matter, that his undoing was occasioned by his following Gaming, Horse-racing, Cock-fighting or some such mischief.

And now to shew that no Inconveniences arise or happen to the Business and Employments of Men who exercise and recreate themselves in this Ingenious Art (especially such Men that are incorporated into a Society and subject themselves to the sober and civil Rules and Orders thereof). For the time usually set out and appointed for the Practice and Exercise of this Artful Diversion is in an Evening, when all sorts of People leave off from their Business and Occupations, and disperse themselves some to one place, some to another, to recreate themselves with some Diversion or Sport, thereby to sweeten the Cares and Fatigue of a multiplicity of troublesome (and sometimes unprofitable) Business or Work. Therefore it may as well be thought that those leisure hours Men spent in the Enjoyment of the Bottle and their Friends should be (at least) as hurtful as the leisure Hours spent in this Exercise.

A third Objection made against Ringing is, That it is too laborious and painful to yield or afford any Pleasure or Diversion. Further, that Ringing occasions so great Heats and Sweatings that a Man subjects himself to catch great Colds, whereby he endangers his Life, and further, begets more damage to his Purse for Recovery of his Health than he receives Pleasure and

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## BRISTOL CITY'S ANNUAL

The annual general meeting of the City Branch always takes place on the first Saturday in December, sometimes at Redcliffe and sometimes at St. Stephen's. This year it was at St. Stephen's and we were able to absorb the beauty of this lovely church now nearing its quicentenary and much enhanced in the last few years by cleaning and reconstruction of the altar and organ in a most fitting and tasteful modern style. St. Stephen's is a 'must' to see for anyone visiting Bristol.

The fluent readings of the minutes of the last annual and quarterly meetings by John Hunt passed without much comment. A spate of reports from the officers revealed that the Master thinks that the standard of ringing in Bristol is higher than anywhere else in the south-west (points south and west, please note!); that the ringing activities of the Bristol Branch have bucked up a bit lately; that the attendance at Saturday afternoon meetings is abysmal and that at other general meetings nearly as bad; that the attendance and enthusiasm at the special Monday evening practices recently started are most satisfactory; that the membership of the Branch has risen this year (just) for the first time for a few years and that the entire administration of the Branch costs the princely sum of about £3 for a whole year. The chairman put forward the interesting theory that all a general meeting should do is elect its officers and then leave them alone to organise things how they please, though he did add that if the officers made a hash of it or, worse still, were just indolent they should have to answer for their sins to a full meeting.

Despite these heresies, and to his own surprise, the chairman was re-elected without opposition. So too was the new Master, though in his absence but with his connivance. Pat Bird had asked to stand down after two years' excellent work. The secretary and the Management Committee representative are much too good to lose and were re-sentenced.

Anticipating their election, the officers had met the previous Wednesday after 'Z-Cars' and produced a suggested programme for 1965, which they hoped that they or their successors would effect. Having been elected, they were therefore able to say that they would: (1) arrange one or two instruction courses at towers where ringing was really struggling; (2) continue to have learners' practices at St. John-on-the-Wall from 6.30-7.45, followed by Surprise Royal practices at Christ Church from 8.9 on the second and fourth Mondays of every month; (3) hold a 12-bell practice at Redcliffe every other month on a Thursday; (4) hold a striking competition sometime in the summer; (5) have two business meetings for discussion of activities sometime between now and the next A.G.M.; (6) have two Corporate Communion during the year; and (7) not have any more general Branch ringing meetings on Saturdays or any other day. Other ways of visiting the various towers in the Branch would be sought. To this programme Albert Tyler offered to add a short course on 'What is a method and how to ring it' for learners sometime in February or March. This was most gratefully accepted as were several other practical and helpful suggestions. So watch out for the secretary's handbills if you live in or around Bristol: they will give all the details.

Following this we had a somewhat turgid discussion about the Association's new set of rules now in some sort of draft form. Matters of principle and points of order were raised and the only motion put and carried was that we should pass on to the next business. That we did.

This was A.O.B. and it was mercifully short. It was suggested that the meeting should be reported in 'The Ringing World' and that the chairman had so much to say that he ought to write it. Hence this. More important than this was that Dick Bowden expressed the thanks of us all for those who had laboured to put on this meeting and to feed us so satisfactorily.

Officers: Chairman, Philip Gray; Master, Jim Taylor; secretary, John Hunt, 38, Gordon Avenue, Bristol 5; Management Committee representative, Leslie Pearce.

## GOLDEN WEDDING OF CHATHAM COUPLE



**T**HIS Christmas Mr. and Mrs. Charles Norris, of 39, Dale Street, Chatham, are celebrating their golden wedding. Mr. Norris is one of the 'colourful' ringers of the past with a wonderful record of service, 61 years being spent at St. Mary's, Chatham, and 42 years at Rochester Cathedral.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Norris were born in the services, their respective fathers serving in the Royal Marines — Charles at Chatham in September, 1889, and his wife at Lewes in November, 1891. Mr. Norris was educated at the R.M. School, Chatham, St. Mary's School, Chatham, and finally at St. Mark's, Gillingham. He was apprenticed as a boiler-maker to an engineering firm at Strood, Kent, and completed his time in 1910.

Mr. Norris went into the belfry at St. Mary's, Chatham, from the choir in 1903. He remembers seeing the bells from John Warner's hoisted into the tower—a ring of eight, 25 cwt. in E flat. Chatham had a 'stone' band until 1906, when the late F. A. Holden joined the Royal Marines and took the band in hand. He was a very good tutor and they were joined by another ringer.

The band picked up Grandsire Triples and Bob Major, and Mr. Holden called the first peal by a local in March, 1910—Holt's Original with six first pealers. Many good men joined the services about 1911, including Jim Bennett, George Gilbert, of the Royal Engineers, and two men of the Essex Regiment, Cpl. H. H. Bonney, who was killed on the Somme, and Fred Souter, with whom he rang a peal of Grandsire Caters at Rochester Cathedral after the war.

In November, 1914, Mr. Norris enlisted in the Royal Artillery and was trained as an A.A. gunner. That Christmas he was married. He was in France from January 1st, 1916, until March, 1919. After demobilisation, he returned to his trade as a boiler-maker and in 1935 went to the Naval Yard at Chatham. At Rochester Cathedral he has served under six deans and three archdeacons, and at Chatham under eleven rectors. He is a great believer in Sunday service ringing and has rung about 185 peals. His two sons both do a bit of ringing at times. 'I have no regrets in my 76th year,' says Charles, 'a good wife, two good sons and four grandchildren.'

## THE SOCIETY OF RAMBLING RINGERS

The 1964 tour found the Society in the Peak district and the Yorkshire dales. Ringing and striking were very much up to and, more often than not, above the par expected, in keeping with the weather which, apart from one or two days in the middle week, was excellent. Derby Cathedral was the first tower of the tour and Northallerton the last, having visited between-times: Sheffield, Bradford, Keighley, Ripon, Middlesbrough and West Hartlepoons. The company was not great in number at any one time, but sufficiently large enough to ensure a reasonable variety of methods on all numbers of bells. Methods ranged from Grandsire to 10 Spliced Surprise Major and Cambridge and Yorkshire Royal. Friction among the party there was, but it was far outweighed by the high degree of conviviality and camaraderie that the Society enjoys. All in all the tour was successful.

The reunion was held on December 5th in Derby, and the ringing was plentiful and the standard high. After an excellent meal, the annual meeting commenced and the following officers were elected: President, D. A. Frith; Ringing Master, M. A. Lindsey; Deputy Ringing Masters, D. Mottershead and K. Fleming (recently back from sailing the high seas); secretary and treasurer, W. A. Lacey; peal secretary, M. Vernon.

The 1965 tour will be once more in the West Country—but the starting date has been advanced to Saturday, July 3rd, from August, although the duration still remains three weeks. Apologies from absent friends were acknowledged and past officers were thanked for their hard work in keeping the Society ticking.

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Satisfaction of Mind by diverting himself with Practice of the Art.

To Answer this we declare. That we never have known or heard (though we have made it our business to enquire of the oldest of Ringers) that ever any Person received the least damage to his Health by Ringing (unless rash and inconsiderate Persons have been careless of themselves). But on the contrary 'tis well known by experience to be very healthful Exercise, moderately and with Discretion practised and used. For, by moderate Sweatings, all ill Humours and corrupt Moistures are dispelled from the Body.

As to its being supposed laborious and painful, 'tis no such thing. For 'tis perfectly done by Flight, else how could a Man be able to stand for an Hour or two (or more, as has been done) and be, as this Exercise requires, all the time in continual motion. But this Flight is to be obtained only by practice and by observing Ancient Practitioners.

The more ingenious, innocent and recreative any Diversion is, the more it ought, according to Reason, to be followed esteemed and loved by those Persons who, for the sake of their Health or with intent to drive away melancholy Thoughts and sooth the worldly Cares and Crosses they often meet with, spend their vacant and leisure Hours in the practice of some Sport, Art or Diversion. None whereof can be more suitable than the Practice and Use of this Art.

Although 'Ringer 1964' does not have to bear the burden of the 'Objections' of 1700, probably he has acquired others to take their place, such as Noise Nuisance which, in the days of 'Cockfighting or some such mischief,' apparently did not rate too highly on the list. Perhaps the public of 1700 did not dare tangle with the practitioners of such a 'mean and mechanical Exercise'!



## DEREK JONES WRITES ON NORTHERN IRELAND

FIFTEEN ringers and a fellow traveller climbed the steps of St. Nicholas' Church at Liverpool Pier Head on the evening of July 31st, with the 'Ulster Prince' berthed nearby, shortly to sail to Belfast and adventure around the towers of the Northern Counties of the Emerald Isle. The car had already been loaded on to the 'Ulster Spinner,' and two further ringers had found their separate ways to Ulster. The opening ringing on the fine 13 bells was encouraging, and further encouragement came when Jack Brown worked miracles in finding nearly everybody sleeping accommodation on the crowded ship.

After a rush to disembark the car and secure breakfast, and the puzzle, to be repeated several times, of fathoming the way through the one-way maze of Belfast City, we located St. Donard's, where the proceedings opened with a curious concoction which was afterwards understood to be Grandsire Minor. The old stagers of the party, with one of the youngest members on the treble ringing his first peal in Ireland, then warmed (literally, due to a tiny ringing room) to a brisk peal of Bob Minor upon the tuneful light six.

After a hurried lunch and the spectacle of an 'Orange' procession (with life bands, banners and bright uniforms) the fine light ten of St. Mark's, Dundela, were soon pealing to Grandsire Caters: this proved the first disappointment, for a miscall came with only two courses to go after some excellent ringing. Not yet finished with bells, we repaired to Holywood on the southern shores of Belfast Lough, and after finding a fish and chip shop, which proved a rarity in Ireland, we met John Dunwoody who introduced us to a series of touches on his pleasant newly rehung octave. It was a great pleasure to meet the veteran Walter Pratt. Most of the party were staying at guest houses in the area, and a well earned rest after a strenuous day was now most welcome.

The weather remained drizzly for most of Sunday, but we collected a Minibus, our main transport, augmented by another car kindly supplied by David Vincent, with his friendly canine companion. After assisting the ringers of St. Thomas' for morning service, we crossed the steep hills heading north to Antrim and to Ballymena. An hour was spent upon the grand eight, several local ringers turning out to welcome the party, and one car-load nearly missed the tower altogether, encountering another typical Irish Institution, a mile-long funeral procession! The fishing experts now repaired to the vast expanse of Lough Neagh and were rewarded by the first—and last—fishing success of the tour: six perch! At last, after many colourful miles, dappled sunlight breaking through to light vistas of far patchwork quilt horizons where County Down sweeps up to the blue peaks of the Mourne Mountains, we all found our way south again to Newcastle, where Slieve Donard, 2,796-foot monarch of the range, 'sweeps down to the sea.' Two nights were to be spent in nice quarters in this lively seaside resort.

### TELEVIEWED!

Monday brought a big surprise: on arrival at the rural church of Ballylesson, a friendly lad informed us that our ringing was to be televised! The cameraman took numerous shots, and all hopes of completing a peal were shaken, but a quarter was rung on the very good six: that evening it was a thrill to see our efforts on the 'silver screen': it looked very expert, and the ringing sounded much better than we thought it would.

On arrival at the beautiful Church of St. Malachi, Hillsborough, we found a peal already under way: misdirected prayer soon

put an end to that, and the rest had a pull on these magnificent Rudhall bells before leaving the pealers to get on with it. Derek Jones took the view that they did not need him to conduct every peal, and as he had rung one there some years before, and the TV show was a 'must' for once in a lifetime, he left the rest to 'fire out' three hours later. David meanwhile had the primus on the go on the lawn behind, and a good cup of tea soothed many sorrows. The inquest was still continuing at midnight at a kerbside brew-up outside the Donard Hotel in Newcastle.

Tuesday was a day of big distances, and we hastened into County Armagh, and on the heavy bells of Lurgan, in their steeple at one end of the busy shopping centre, we rang a good determined peal of Lincolnshire, breaking our bad run of failures: by the time the rest, who had been exploring the Silent Valley in the Mourne Mountains, had had a pull, the local force of law and order, whose H.Q. was just beneath the tower, were not a little disquieted. We were not arrested however, for disturbing the peace. We had another grand ride across the mountains to Rostrevor, and found the six very good, but the second rope was very difficult to keep on the wheel, so the six who had stayed to attempt a peal of Doubles contented themselves with a quarter. We completed customs formalities in the interesting town of Newry, with many fine steeples, and set off across billowing drumlin hills, a brilliant patchwork of colour in the golden sunset, to the border, crossing into Monaghan town for a well-earned supper. On westwards into County Fermanagh and wilder, lonelier country in the dusk, not seeing a soul for miles on end. Midnight saw us at Enniskillen, with ten miles still to go on the south shore of Lough Erne to the delightful guest houses which were to be our abode for the night. There was a great welcome despite the late hour.

### A SATISFYING PEAL

A never-to-be-forgotten vista met our gaze the next morning: a great sheet of shining water stretching mile upon mile away to distant blue hills and studded with myriads of wooded islands: below our window a bright garden dipping away to the wooded shore in a meadow of unbelievable green never seen outside of Ireland. It was a morning free from ringing, and the fact that it was a typical 'soft' morning did not deter the explorer, for Irish rain does not seem so cold and wet as its English November counterpart. A good dinner put us into form for St. Macartan's Cathedral, Enniskillen, where, after an abortive start, and stern words from the 'gaffer,' a good peal of Cambridge Royal clicked into a beat almost from the start: the fine ten, though loud within the ringing room, certainly have a tale to tell, and it was a very satisfying experience to ring them. Handbell tunes, apple-pie beds and other frolics contributed to a convivial evening in this haven in the wilds.

The glories of County Donegal awaited the tourists on a day free from ringing, for there are no rings of bells in this north-west corner of Ireland. Instead, rocky coasts, golden beaches, wild mountains, and scattered crofting townships, where the land is so bleak and the soil so thin that a living seems impossible, awaited exploration. The little fishing harbours of Kill Banns and Burtonport were visited, and some too, tea at Sweeney's Hotel, Dungloe (some misgivings here with a name like that). Two stalwarts ascended the misty heights of Slieve League, where a mountain has been cut in two by the encroaches of the Atlantic rollers, and the

cliffs plunge sheer almost 2,000 feet to the silvery beach below: they braved the dizzy 'One Man's Path' to attain the summit, and avowed that it was the 'High spot'—literally—of their holiday. Most of the party followed some miles of indescribably bad road across desolate wastes beneath the quartzite cone of 2,466 feet high Mount Errigal, looking down into the dark Poisoned Glen with its abandoned church tower. The long roads at last led to civilisation in the shape of the historic city of Londonderry.

### IN LONDONDERRY

Friday was a busy ringing day, and we were welcomed to St. Columb's Cathedral by the Dean (the Very Rev. L. R. Lawrenson), and he inserted an account of our visit in the local evening paper. While the mysteries of the clanging hammers were being unravelled so that the 32 cwt. tenor could be raised, a touch was rung on the very tuneful middle eight (9th as tenor) after some confusion over which semitones to be used. A very enjoyable peal of Bob Royal was rung without incident and produced a wealth of music from these grand bells from the Croydon Foundry. Only just time for a cup of tea before dashing to Coleraine, where we found a lovely eight which were a joy to ring, at St. Patrick's pinnacled tower.

One of the younger members was the only one of the party not to have achieved a peal in Ireland during the week, so Bob Major was chosen to enable him to ring the treble. The peal was not without incident: after a false start, in which a very experienced ringer made fifth's and up, we set off again at a much brisker pace, and duly brought it round. David's usual map-reader having had a difference of opinion with the canine listener-to-peals, Raymond was detailed to guide the veteran o Cushendall, our last stopping place, where the Glens of Antrim reach the north-east coast. The minibus had gone on ahead, and the gaffer's party had a scramble in the dusk over the weird hexagonal columns of the famous Giant's Causeway, before taking a wrong turn in Ballycastle and getting completely lost, eventually attaining Cushendall at midnight by way of a desperate road over the great plateau.

### FEAST AT CARRICKFERGUS

We arrived the next day at Carrickfergus, in a deluge. There were three surprises here: first, the gatehouse tower, the unique edifice which houses the bells, transferred from the now unsafe old tower of the church; second, a truly delightful little 'musical box' of an octave, where touches up to Spliced Surprise were enjoyed; and last, but not least, a feast laid on in the schoolroom by Mrs. Young and her fellow ringers, where we actually got all the party under one roof at one time, after temporarily losing Jack.

Sorry to leave Carrickfergus: time was now running out fast, and after a further battle with Belfast's one-way streets to deposit the two youngest at St. Thomas' to assist the locals with a wedding ring, we sped round the Lough to the busy seaside town of Bangor, where the final successful peal of the tour, Yorkshire Surprise, was rung in a red sandstone tower. All too soon farewells were being said at Donegal quay to those who had to make for home aboard the 'Ulster Prince,' leaving the lucky few to linger on for further happy days in 'Ireland of the Welcomes,' revisiting Lough Erne, and then on to Connemara and Killarney before a final ring at Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, kindly arranged by Billy Lynch a week later, not to mention a tour of the Wicklow Mountains generously provided by Charlie Reede.

All fourteen ringing towers in the counties of Ulster had welcomed us, thanks to the good offices of Fred Dukes and John Dunwoody. We thank all the clergy and ringers we met with a special 'Thank you' to Carrickfergus.

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# Letters to the Editor

## A Code for Outings

Dear Sir,—Due to changing circumstances, such as the increase in car ownership and longer holidays amongst the ringing fraternity, there has been, over the recent years, a substantial increase in the number of day ringing outings and ringing holidays. These no doubt have been still further increased by the publication at the beginning of the year in 'The Ringing World' of a 'Tower Grabbers' List, most likely to be repeated in the new year as the first appeared to show a fairly widespread interest in the pastime.

First, let me say that I am not against visiting other towers in an organised party; in fact I can see nothing but good coming from it, provided that the visiting ringers and in particular the organiser of the party behave in a manner that is above reproach and befits visitors, similar to the good manners that we would show in visiting someone else's home. Therefore I think a standard procedure or code could be formulated to assist in particular those organising their first outings so that bad feeling may never be generated in the towers visited and as a result no tower closed to all visiting parties.

May I suggest the following procedure in the hope that more experienced organisers may improve on it where it is lacking:—

(1). The organiser should draw up a provisional programme of the towers he wishes to visit allowing a minimum of half an hour and a maximum of one hour at each tower with sufficient travelling time between towers. Extra travelling time should be given in areas of known dense traffic and for parking some distance from the church, possibly in large towns. Ringing would naturally be limited to between 8 a.m. and 9 p.m.

(2). The organiser should then write to the incumbent or tower secretary of the churches to be visited requesting permission to ring on a certain date, the bells of the named church (to cover the eventuality of the incumbent having more than one church), stating the exact time at which he and his party would like to arrive and also when they would finish ringing. Give his name and address clearly (not just an illegible signature) in the letter and a phone number where it may be possible to contact him in an emergency that requires the visit to be cancelled. Enclose a stamped addressed envelope or card for the reply (I prefer the latter, for the person replying does not even have to find paper to reply on—it has been known for them to reply on the back of the request—and in any case it is slightly cheaper). This letter should be sent not earlier than 3 months, and not later than a fortnight before the proposed visit.

2(a). If the request letter has been sent more than 4 weeks before the visit then a reminder card should be sent a few days before the visit.

(3). On the day, start and finish ringing at the tower not more than five minutes from the time requested. If met, the organiser should make himself known to the 'local' and thank him at the conclusion. The member of the party in charge at the tower should try to persuade any local ringers present to join with them in at least one ring. If not met then disengage any clock hammers and note which bells are up and those that are down. At the finish leave the bells as they were found, re-engage clock hammers, and turn off all lights. Make a note to write and thank them for the use of the bells. The first and last touches including ringing up and down should be performed with a competent band as well struck initial and final ringing leaves a good impression. Reasonably well struck ringing should be maintained throughout the visit for it is better to ring good rounds than bad Surprise, particularly on difficult bells.

I feel that it is only in exceptional circumstances that an arranged visit should be cancelled, or the times altered and that never should a tower just be missed out. In the case of a visit to ring a peal, then the length of ringing should be clearly stated in the initial request, otherwise most of the above applies.

Ultimately I would like to see a Central Council committee set up with terms of reference to include:—

(a) The setting up of a register of all people who wish to organise ringing outings. ringers would have to apply to be on this register, agree to the rules of the committee and perhaps pay a small returnable deposit, which may be kept if the person is 'struck off' the register.

(b) Publication of a standard procedure.

(c) Hear any complaints from towers visited by parties of ringers

(d) To censure ringers that repeatedly transgress the procedure—this could be simply the publication of their names in 'The Ringing World'.

(e) To look into the possibility of collecting sixpence per ringer per tower visited (not to include visits to join local ringers on practice nights or for service ringing). The money, which might amount to £500 a year, to be used to buy ropes and assist in repairs at many 'poor' towers, in liaison with the Towers and Belfries Committee.

If this committee were set up I believe that the ringing Exercise would gain in strength, due to the increase of outings, and as a result the improvement of the standard of ringing not only of the visiting ringers but also of the visited, without the friction or misunderstandings that are at present occasionally generated.

Esher, JOHN F. M. MAYBREY.

## Cambridge University Guild's Fine Performance

Dear Sir,—With Mr. J. E. Camp, of the Oxford University Society, I jointly 'umpired' the silent peal of Stedman Cinques rung at High Wycombe on December 5th by members of the Cambridge University Guild.

I am pleased to confirm that the peal was rung strictly 'silent and non-conducted,' that the calls were observed with no trace of hesitation and that the method was rung accurately and with conviction throughout.

Former 'silent' peals of Stedman Cinques have been the infrequent performances of long-established twelve bell bands. The twelve who rang at Wycombe were not of such a company but, since this was not evinced in their ringing, they are the more to be congratulated on a very good performance.—Yours faithfully,

Hawley, JOHN CHILCOTT.

## Oxborough, Norfolk

Dear Sir,—I was interested to read Rev. Peter Bond's letter about my article concerning Waltham bells. He will be interested to know that they do go quite well and when I get back to Kent I shall hope to have the pleasure of welcoming him there. I am glad that the Isle of Grain bells are ringable.

Presumably they were erected c. 1902, when the tower was built by Edward VII. Stahlshmidt only mentions one bell here. With regard to the four at Plumstead, I was informed about four years ago by a well known authority on Kent bells, Mr. N. J. Davies, that they were rehung by Mears and Stainbank in 1957 and were ringable.

May I use your columns to make a query? At a recent practice at King's Lynn there was much discussion about the bells of St. John the Evangelist, Oxborough, Norfolk. Although these are not mentioned by Mr. Dove in 'Post-war Losses of Ringing Peals' in the 'Guide,' they were lost in 1948 when the tower and spire, 150 feet high, collapsed. There is rumour that, although ringing had not been permitted for many years owing to the precarious state of the tower, they were in fact rung very shortly before the calamity, and there has been much speculation on this point. Can any ringer remember ringing at Oxborough at any time, and what are his memories of the bells? They were a six, tenor about 94 cwt., and with the clock bell were sold after the tragedy, for funds to repair the chancels, as the nave of this glorious church had been destroyed.—Yours sincerely,

Hunstanton, DAVID L. CAWLEY.

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## CHRISTMAS DAY BROADCAST

There will be a variety of ringing provided by the Christmas Day broadcast at 9.15 a.m. introduced by John Snagge.

Greetings start with Grandsire Triples from Lyme Regis, followed by the eight at Wigston Magna, Leicester. The six at Drumbo, Co. Down, will be ringing Doubles, to be followed by Double Norwich C.B. Major from Alloo, Clackmannan. Triples will be heard from St. Andrew's, Hordchurch, Essex, and Caters from Llandaff Cathedral. Lincoln Cathedral has been again selected after its disappointing experience in being cut off recently. They will be ringing Stedman Cinques as they approach the turning course. As usual the recording ends with the bells of the Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem.

## Ringin' 'Mainly Secular'

Dear Sir,—As expected, howls of protest have followed O.A.M.'s letter in the 'R.W.' of November 27th.

Of course, in a local tower where the standard of ringing is low, and a sense of duty ('What can I do for the Church?') rather than interest in the art motivates the ringers, most of the band will be churchgoers. If they were not, they would never have taken up ringing. However, in the higher echelons of the Exercise, there are not many whose main object is to serve the Church. A large number, indeed, feel a duty to ring on Sundays as a 'payment' for being allowed to use the bells at other times. This is hardly the spirit indicated by the replies to O.A.M.'s letter. No one can deny that excellent ringers exist who are devoted to the Church, but they are few and far between.

As for dissension in the Exercise, there is probably no more or less than in any society from a political party to the local bar-billiards league. Nevertheless, there is more backbiting and off-stage manœuvring than one would expect from people who are, we are told, '99 per cent good, practising Christians.' How often do we hear that X refuses to ring with Y: while Z, a pleasant chap but a negligible ringer, is regarded as a lesser being by his more proficient brethren? The 'R.W.' itself contains letters hardly notable for their Christian charity.

Personally, I make no criticism of these facts: everyone has his own views. Most ringers know that ringing is primarily a secular occupation. Why the outcry when this is stated publicly?—Yours faithfully,

Amersham, Bucks. JOHN CAMP.



## OBITUARY

## MR. HARRY BROUGHTON

The Leicester Cathedral band deeply regret the passing of Mr. Harry Broughton, in hospital after an operation, on December 5th, in his 77th year. He was better known among the older members of the Exercise as a staunch and reliable peal ringer during the period between the two wars. He first learned to ring at St. Mary-de-Castro Church, Leicester, in about the year 1903, and when the bells became unringable some 10 years later, he joined the St. Martin's band.

On the outbreak of war in 1914 he joined the Army, serving mainly in the Middle East. Returning to England at the end of the war, he continued his ringing at St. Martin's and was soon elected secretary of the St. Martin's Society, which involved him in a prolific amount of correspondence, arranging peals or outings almost every week. In fact, he soon organised a system of 'fixture cards' for the year which enabled every member of the band to know what dates and places were positively booked well in advance.

In 1939 he immediately offered his services again to the Army, being appointed an instructor to the Home Guard. During the hot summer of 1940, while training his recruits, he collapsed and remained deeply unconscious in hospital for many weeks. His recovery seemed hopeless, but seemingly by a miracle he slowly made headway.

In 1945 he again became a regular Sunday service ringer, but only stood in peals at rare intervals until his last peal in March, 1959. This was Stedman Triples at Gilmorton, rung as a first anniversary tribute to the memory of Mrs. Phyllis Poole. Harry asked to take part in this, but made the unusual request that it should be published as his final peal, as indeed it was.

His peal total includes 218 for the old Midland Counties Association and 13 for the Leicester Diocesan Guild, many more being rung for other Associations, of which we have no record.

The funeral service on December 9th was at Leicester Cathedral in the presence of a large congregation, when Canon Pratt made moving references to Harry's loyalty and devotion during over 60 years of employment with one firm, and over 50 years as a ringer at the Cathedral. As the service ended a course of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells by Herrick B. Bowley, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Stanforth and John M. Jelley. S. B.

## SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD

Approximately 35 ringers attended the joint meeting at Hucknall on November 28th between the Mansfield District S.D.G. and the Society of Sherwood Youths.

Following tea, a short business meeting was held by the Mansfield District at which the following new members were elected: N. Wiser and Misses D. Haywood and S. Robinson (Hucknall), also G. Knighton (Greasley). The Misses Pat and Diane Titterton, the 10-year-old twins from Greasley, were elected N.R. life members following their departure to Matlock, Derby. The Rev. D. H. Williams conducted a shortened Evensong. Ringing continued until 8.15 p.m. under the direction of the deputy Ringing Master, Mr. F. Adcock.

Next meetings, Sherwood Youths: Annual, Nottingham St. Mary's, Jan. 23rd, Mansfield District: Annual, Mansfield, Jan. 30th.

D. J. B.

## THE HISTORY OF HATHERSAGE BELLS

By R. E. RASTALL (Tower Captain)

AT a special meeting of Hathersage, Derbyshire, parish, in 1898 it was agreed that the estimate of Messrs. Shaw, Sons & Co. (Bradford) for putting the bells of St. Michael's, Hathersage, in a thorough condition at a cost of £6 be accepted. Further that a special subscription list be opened for procuring the necessary funds by means of a house-to-house collection and by other appeals. No details of the work carried out are available.

There is no record of any further major expenditure until 1958, when a local firm was employed to lift the bells, adjust the bearings, fit new gudgeons to one headstock, repair the wheels, remove any faulty timber and replace it by steel joists. This action permitted the bells to continue in service and they are still safe to ring. But the deterioration of the framework, bearings, gudgeons, clappers, etc., obviously increases, and some of the bells call for real manual effort to operate.

It is realised that little more can be done with the installation as at present and on behalf of the Church Council the specialist bell firms were invited to examine and report. Both reports are now to hand and they agree in their recommendations on the following lines: 'The oak frame should be replaced with a modern one, consisting of iron casting and steel girders. The bells be dismantled and sent to the bell foundry for cleaning and the fitting of new headstocks, gudgeons and ball-bearings. New wheels to be provided. The bells have cast-in staples which, being of iron, rust and are the usual cause of bells becoming cracked. These should be removed and independent staples fitted. The bells should be turned to bring a fresh surface into contact with the clappers and be retuned. New wrought-iron clappers should also be provided.'

The result of the recommendations would be an entirely new and modern installation to accommodate the existing six bells. The estimated cost is practically the same from both firms. In addition a new floor for the bell-chamber would be required and a certain amount of other work by builders and clock makers. The total cost would be about £1,700 and both firms would place our order on their waiting list for 1965.

All this information has been passed on to the Standing Finance Committee to discuss ways and means but unfortunately there are various other major items of expenditure already on their books. As a consequence if we are to do all that needs to be done in the church, it seems likely that we may have to find about £3,000 in three years. However, I have every hope that some positive action will be taken before the year and in the meantime we are continuing to ring the bells for Sunday morning services, and most Fridays for practice.

**SIDBURY, DEVON.**—On Nov. 19th, 1368 of Grandsire Triples: C. G. Woodley (aged 82, Past Chairman) 1. C. J. Turner (Past Ringing Master) 2. K. T. Clarke (Committee) 3. F. Sage 4. E. W. Rowe 5. W. W. Webb (Hon. Sec. and Treas.) 6. C. C. Turner (cond., Ringing Master) 7. J. Sage (Chairman) 8. In memoriam E. Maurice Atkins (Gen. Sec. Guild of Devonshire Ringers). Rung by past and present officers and members of the East Devon Branch.

## NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

The annual general meeting of the North Staffordshire Association was held on December 5th at the Church of St. Peter ad Vincula, Stoke-on-Trent. Despite the inclemency of the weather, a fair proportion of ringers arrived to ring the pleasant sounding and 'easy going' eight. The service was conducted by the Rector (Preb. F. A. R. Chapman).

During the business meeting, Mr. C. S. Ryles, the new chairman, thanked the tower captain (Mr. J. G. Burton) for welcoming the Association on behalf of the Rector, and proposed a vote of thanks to the ladies who prepared an excellent free tea, and to Mr. Burton's team of ringers who had enabled the meeting to be so successful. The president, the Archdeacon of Stoke-on-Trent (Ven. G. Youell), in welcoming Mr. Ryles, paid tribute to the great amount of work put in by the retiring chairman, Mr. G. W. Biddulph, during his term of office.

The hon. secretary, Mr. G. Beech had left the district, and it had not been possible to hold a further Committee meeting to appoint a successor. Until the Committee meets, Mr. David Midgeley had agreed to act as secretary.

A minute of silence was then observed in memory of the previous president of the Association, Ven. P. Hartill, Archdeacon Emeritus, who had died earlier in the week. The bells which had been half-muffled for the occasion were then rung for the remainder of the evening under the capable supervision of the Ringing Master (Mr. W. H. Pickett).

D. J. M.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD  
West Dorset Branch

The Mayor and Mayoress of Bridport (Councillor and Mrs. V. S. C. Keech) attended the Guild service, when the West Dorset Branch held its annual meeting at Bridport on November 28th. The Rector (the Rev. J. P. Hinton) officiated, and a warm welcome was given to the Master of the Guild (the Rev. R. W. Longridge).

Following tea, prepared by local ringers and lady helpers in the Church House and enjoyed by 45 members, the Mayor welcomed the ringers to Bridport at the business meeting. He mentioned that he had been a ringer since youth and a member of the local tower. The chairman (Mr. C. W. Powell), in reply, said he thought it was the first time the Branch had been welcomed by a Mayor at its annual meeting. The Mayoress was presented with a bouquet by Miss A. Quirk.

The secretary's report showed that steady progress had been made in change ringing and three peals and ten quarter peals had been rung. Much benefit had been gained through monthly practices and membership stood at 126.

The following officers were elected: Chairman, Mr. C. W. H. Powell; vice-chairman, Rev. G. V. Syer; honorary secretary, Mr. J. Davis; Ringing Masters, Messrs. H. W. D. Bishop, G. S. Morris, H. G. Keeley.

Next meeting: Bradpole, Saturday, February 27th. Practice meetings: Loders, January 13th; Symondsburry, February 10th; Bridport, March 10th. All subject to permission.

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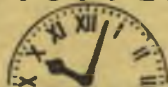
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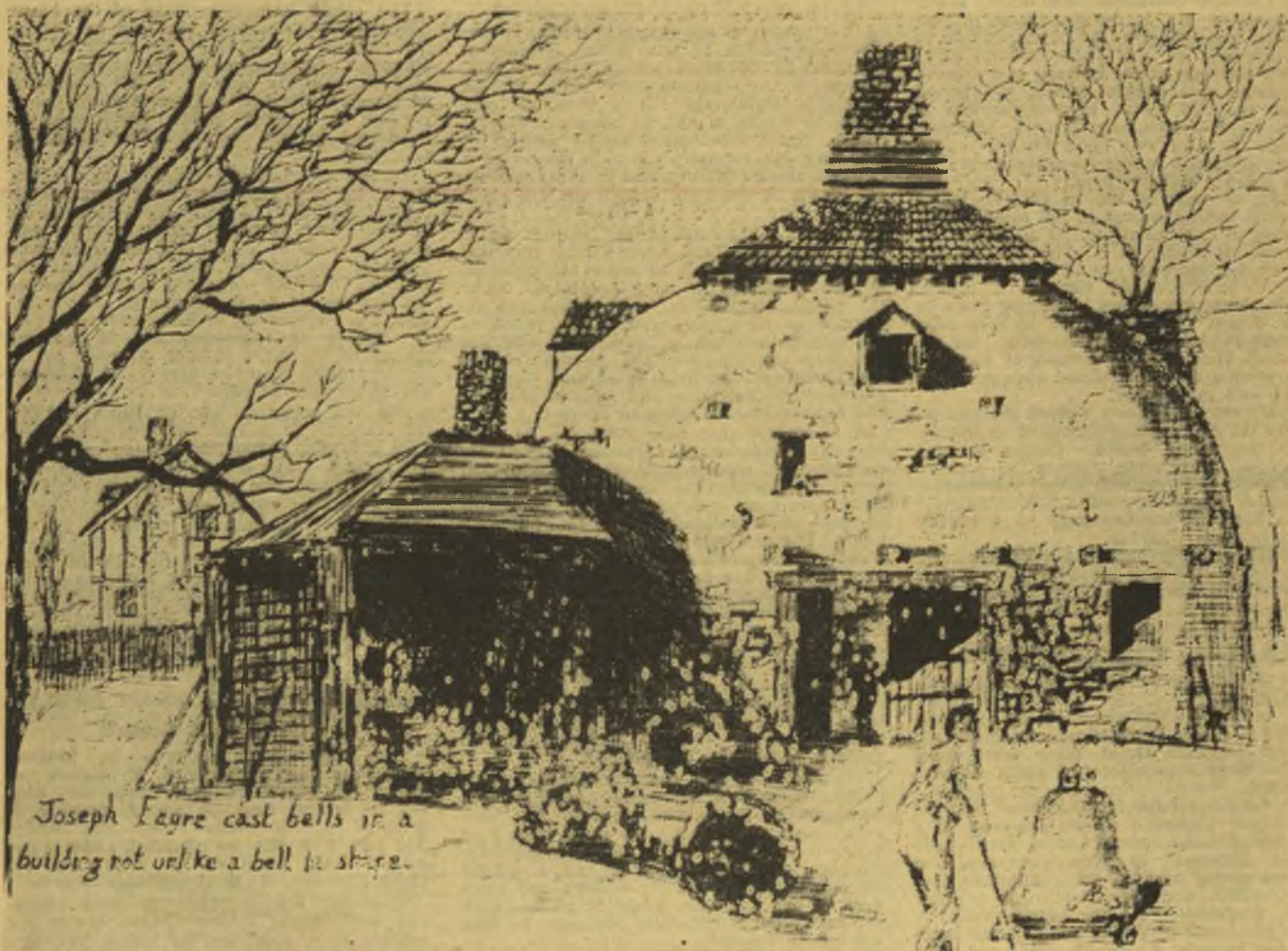
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# ST. NEOTS FOUNDRY—By T. A. BEVIS



**JOSEPH EAYRE**, who has been described as a 'first-rate founder of dish bells,' is well and truly recorded in historical data of the Huntingdonshire town of St. Neots. This man-of-metal whose father was a clock-maker at Kettingham proved to be a considerable benefactor to St. Neots. He cast bells in a building known as 'The Priory'—not unlike a bell in design—said to have been the most prominent structure in the town.

The founder, in addition to casting bells, manufactured fire engines and also erected a pump for the use of the community of the parish in which he plied his trade. He is generally rated as having been a good bell-founder, but others were inclined to differ in that respect. Eayre's ring of six at St. Michael's Church, Stamford, inspired the following comment: '... indeed the din of St. Michael's bells is so intolerable to those who live in their vicinity that they will readily believe that there is no devil in his senses but will get away as fast as he can as soon as their clamour begins.'

Eayre cast approximately 40 bells for Huntingdonshire and several of his products are still to be heard in neighbouring counties. After his death in 1772 the St. Neots foundry was jointly managed by **EDWARD ARNOLD** and **THOMAS OSBORN**, the latter having been engaged as Eayre's foreman. However, the partnership between Arnold and Osborn was short-lived, the latter departing for his native town, Downham Market, Norfolk, where he established his own prosperous foundry business.

It would appear that Edward Arnold understood very little about the casting of bells, and he engaged a capable foreman, Islip Edmonds, who was employed at a London foundry in the early 1760's. The 'back six' of St. Mary's Church, Ely, are recognised by

bellringers as a notable Arnold ring. Indeed, the musical vibrations from this old ring are very good, but it is fairly certain that Islip Edmonds can be credited with their melody, despite Arnold's name which is inscribed on the metal. Arnold later set up a foundry in Leicester but he continued at St. Neots long enough to introduce **ROBERT TAYLOR**, a man who had his part to play in the establishing of the world-famous bell-foundry at Loughborough.

The St. Neots premises was removed from 'The Priory' to Cambridge Street shortly after Taylor had entered into wedlock with a Miss Fowler, whose father ran a brewery adjoining the site of the original foundry. It seems that Mr. Fowler, who desired to expand his business, had calculatively eyed his young neighbour's property, and as it happened the resultant marriage betwixt beer and bells indeed proved to be a tactful and beneficial move!

Thomas Osborn was undoubtedly a first-rate founder. His premises at Downham Market were situated in the vicinity of the parish church, and some residents still remember the old walls of the foundry which have been incorporated into other buildings.

Osborn, a joiner's son, cast Godmanchester's musical octave (1794). He is represented on a grand scale in West Norfolk and North Cambs. Many of Osborn's bells were cast for Fenland churches: they were usually conveyed from Downham to their destinations by barge via the man-made network of rivers and drains which abound in those parts. Downham bells can be heard at Terrington St. John, Emneth, Hilgay and Walsoken sweetly echoing over and beyond that land of magic. The Norfolk founder cast the musical ring of six at March, Cambs, each bell of which is inscribed **THOMAS OSBORN, DOWNHAM, NOR-**

**FOLK, FECIT 1802**; his name also appears on six bells at Marham, Norfolk, of the same year and sharing identical inscriptions.

According to one authority Osborn died on December 6th, 1800, while another historian writes that the founder expired in 1806. Should the former date be correct, then March and Marham bells and other bells bearing Osborn's name after 1800 are in reality the work of his grandson **WILLIAM DOBSON**—a partner—who apparently cast bells for a time in his grandfather's name. Dobson upheld Osborn's reputation for high-class work, continuing in business until 1832 when owing to financial difficulties he disposed of the Downham foundry to Mears of Whitechapel.

After this transaction Dobson lived at London and was employed in lawyer's office. He was made a brother of the Charterhouse, and there in 1842 he died and was buried. His wife rests in Downham Market churchyard.

Dobson cast a fine ring of 10 bells for the Church of SS. Peter and Paul, Wisbech, Cambs, but his finest solitary example was surely that of the 29½ cwt. tenor bell at St. Neots—incidentally his last—which although recast in recent years continues to acclaim in sonorous tones the good merits of its original maker, and appropriately so, for it rings near the site of the parent foundry which had such a far-reaching effect in modern-day bell-founding.

**SEVENOAKS, KENT.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Lucile M. Corby 1, Judith M. Corby (first of Stedman) 2, Isabel M. Pearce (first of Stedman) 3, W. J. Manning (first of Stedman 'inside') 4, R. V. Fuller 5, P. A. Corby 6, A. J. Corby (first of Stedman as cond.) 7, Doris E. Colgate 8. Half-muffled to the memory of Mr. B. W. Fennell, churchwarden, who died Nov, 24th, 1964.



## QUARTER PEALS

For Sir Winston's 90th Birthday  
November 30th, 1964

**BATLE SUSSEX.**—On Dec. 2nd, 1,272 Doubles (seven methods): D. J. Winchester 1, Rosemary Earl (50th quarter) 2, Valerie Mepham 3 I. V. J. Smith (cond.) 4, A. R. Baldock 5 I. S. Holland 6. First in seven methods for all.

**BEXHILL, SUSSEX.**—On Nov. 30th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles (7, 8 cover): B. J. Vidler 1, I. V. J. Smith 2, Rosemary Earl 3, D. W. Laffar 4, C. E. Verdon 5, A. R. Baldock (cond.) 6, C. F. Pilbeam 7, R. R. Vidler 8.

**CLITHEROE, LANCs.**—On Nov. 30th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor (7, 8 cover): S. Wright (first quarter) 1, J. P. Jenkinson 2, W. Wilkinson (cond.) 3, Miss S. Washbrook 4, P. Norman 5, F. Price 6, C. Balshaw 7, M. Corlett 8.

**FARHAM, HANTS.**—On Nov. 30th, 1,259 Grand-sire Caters: G. Jupp 1, G. M. Boyd 2, G. F. Miles 3, B. Daysh 4, R. K. Hawkins 5, C. Philpott 6, P. Page 7, H. A. Nobes 8, A. H. Sturges (cond.) 9, J. W. Stevenson 10.

**FURDHAM, CAMBS.**—On Nov. 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: M. Brown (first quarter) 1, R. Whitwood 2, Miss J. Morley 3, R. Palmer (cond.) 4, A. Barber 5, R. Heffer 6.

**HONITON, DEVON.**—On Nov. 30th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: B. Harvey 1, C. Manley 2, W. Baker 3, R. Walls 4, W. Webb (cond.) 5, J. Real 6.

**LITTLE COMBERTON, WORCS.**—On Nov. 30th, 1,440 Minor (three methods): A. E. Collet 1, J. H. Firkins 2, A. A. Jopp 3, J. Atwood, sen. 4, I. Lloyd 5, A. C. Berry (cond.) 6.

**STAMFORD, Lincs.**—At All Saints' Church, on Nov. 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: E. Tyers 1, C. Allen 2, Dilys Gray (first quarter) 3, C. Matthews 4, V. Chamberlain 5, J. H. Bluff (cond.) 6.

## LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

The last meeting of the year of the Loughborough District was held at Hugglescote on December 12th and, although only seven towers of the District were represented, good use was made of this beautiful octave in many methods.

Evensong was conducted by the Vicar, and included two hymns sung unaccompanied and a forthright and inspiring address. An abundance of good fare awaited the company at the Church School, and at the meeting it was announced that Mr. G. D. Hadfield (an old member of the local band and now incapacitated from active ringing) desired to act as host and bear the cost of the tea. The offer was gratefully accepted.

Mr. A. E. Rowley thanked the Vicar for allowing the use of the bells and for taking the service.

The chairman (Mr. H. O. Over) extended a warm welcome to visitors who came from St. Paul's, Burton-on-Trent, Tamworth, Coleshill and Eckington (Lincs), and then intimated that having held this office for three years, he wished to vacate the position. He asked members to consider a successor for election at the annual meeting in January at Loughborough.

Mr. J. Harris, of Hathern, thanked the chairman for his work and suggested that in recognition he should be transferred to the Guild's list of honorary life members. It was agreed that his name and that of Mr. C. Harrison, of Loughborough, should be submitted to the next General Committee meeting for this purpose.

## SUFFOLK GUILD

About 25 ringers attended a quarterly meeting of the N.E. District held at Saxmundham and Benhall on November 21st, among them the Ringing Master and Gen. Secretary of the Guild. Mr. C. Doonan, of Beccles, was elected an hon. member, Mr. Pickup, of Lowestoft, a ringing member; Mrs. Willgress, of Honingham, an hon. life member.

Next meeting: February 20th, 1965, at Beccles.

## LATE NEWS

We regret to learn that Mrs. Melville, the mother of Mrs. C. H. Kippin, of Cove, is in St. Peter's Hospital, Chertsey, suffering from a fractured femur.

## HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

An uninformed itinerant ringer in Barnet on November 21st might well have kept clear of the St. Albans District meeting at the Church of St. John the Baptist, thinking that a first class peal band was performing. Of course, not all the ringing was in this class but even the inexperienced people seemed inspired to do their utmost. Was it the grand tone of the heavy eight, the thought of the shoppers outside or the example of the experts ringing a stately and perfectly struck course of London? All combined to make this one of the most successful meetings in recent months. It was a pity no tea could be provided to follow Evensong, taken by the Rector.

A short business meeting was held in the tower, at which Mr. John Mayne took the chair. It was decided, with regret, that the words 'No name no tea' would have to be inserted in future meeting advertisements as the South Mimms ringers reported that at the October meeting the number of eaters had been twice the number of names and everybody had gone short accordingly.

The finishing touch to the evening was put by a touch of spliced called by the Ringing Master, Mr. Gerald Penney.

J. D. C.

MR. WILLIAM H. DOWSE'S  
200 PEALS

Mr. W. H. Dowse is the fourth Marple ringer to reach the 200 peal mark. His peals have been rung in 85 different towers and 23 counties, involving visits in England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales. Details:

## TOWER BELLS

Doubles.—1 to 15 methods 8.  
Minor.—1 to 73 methods 40 (conducted 3).  
Triples.—Grandsire 4.  
Major.—Plain Bob 5, Little Bob 2, Double Norwich 5, Kent T.B. 2, Kent and Oxford T.B. 2.

Surprise Major.—Bristol 10, Cambridge 12 (1), Derby 1, Gloucestershire 1, Lincolnshire 5, London 12, New Cambridge 1, Pudsey 2, Rutland 1, Southwell 1, Superlative 4, Stockport 1, Watford 1, Worcestershire 1, Yorkshire 10 (1), three spliced 1, four spliced 1, six spliced 1, 11 spliced 1, 12 spliced 2. Total 85 (2).

Royal.—Plain Bob 4, Kent T.B. 3, Oxford T.B. 1; Surprise: Belgrave 3, Cambridge 5, London 3, Pudsey 1.

Maximus.—Kent T.B. 1, Surprise: Belgrave 1, Cambridge 10, Londinium 1, Pudsey 1, Superlative 1.

Total: 177 (5).

## HANDBELLS

Doubles.—1 to 60 methods 12.  
Minor.—Plain Bob 3.  
Major.—Plain Bob 4 (1), Kent T.B. 3.  
Royal.—Plain Bob 1.  
Total: 23 (1).

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Miss E. K. (Beth) Goddard, of Milton-next-Gravesend, married on Dec. 5th Mr. David Leach and not Cole as was inadvertently stated in 'Rope Breaks in Wedding Peal' on page 852.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP

Four Randalls took part in a quarter at Warwick—a father, mother and two sons.

The Remembrance Day quarter peal at Eltham was conducted by Mr. G. Clarke and not P. Clarke as printed.

Mr. Gerald Hemming informs us that the peal of Spliced Surprise rung at Hanbury, Worcs, on November 29th was for Sir Winston S. Churchill's 90th birthday.

The Kent County Association hope to organise a one-day ringing school on May 1st. Although arrangements have not been made it will probably be held at Leeds, near Maidstone.

Making his debut as conductor, by calling seven Surprise methods of Minor at Chilcompton, Adrian P. Beck is assisting his father, R. G. Beck, in the initial stages of the latter's fifth century. It was, incidentally, his 405th peal.

Will Miss R. J. Kemp, formerly of Dereham, Norfolk, please send her address to the Editor as her copy of 'The Ringing World' has been returned to this office after going to Hemel Hempstead.

We commiserate with the Bristol band who had to call 'paid' to the peal of Yorkshire Royal at St. James', Bristol, on Dec. 12th after ½ hour's ringing. The clapper of Jim Taylor's bell crashed—and then we were nine!

Two noted ringing parsons have been elected Proctors in Convocation—Canon K. W. H. Felstead, of Southampton, for the Winchester Diocese, and Prebendary J. H. B. Andrews, Vicar of Chittlehampton and Master of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers for the Diocese of Exeter.

At the next quarterly meeting of the Staffordshire Archdeaconry Society to be held at St. Peter's Church, Wolverhampton, on January 16th, the service will take the form of a commemoration to the late Herbert Knight, when a plaque will be dedicated to his memory.



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## Oxford Honours College Youths' Master

Oxford University Society have marked the election of Mr. Rodney B. Meadows as Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths by ringing a congratulatory peal to him at Kirtlington. While Cambridge University can claim to have produced worthy Masters of the Ancient Society, we believe that Mr. Meadows is the first Master from the University in the past fifty years. About 18 years ago Mr. Meadows was most assiduous in advancing the art of change ringing at the University. This issue contains Cambridge University's contribution of distinction—a peal of Stedman Cinques rung silent and non-conducted. Something for Oxford to think about!

## Hilary's 21st

To enable Oxford University Society to honour the 21st birthday of Miss Hilary Pardoe by a peal at Hinton Waldrist, one member of the band had to be unceremoniously removed from his bed. Nevertheless, the peal was successful. Later that day as the band were wishing her farewell at Oxford station, it was generally agreed that she ought to be 21 more often.

## Bell Work in Kent

Apart from the big job on the bells at Sevenoaks, mentioned in our last issue, Kent is helping to keep our bell foundries busy. Ashford bells are to be rehung. The bells of Merham are at the foundry and in their absence the tower is being restored. The work is not expected to be completed until 1966. Brabourne's are being rehung and two new trebles added, and it is also hoped to hang two new trebles at East Malling. Because of the state of the tower, Queenborough bells cannot be rehung. A big restoration scheme is in hand to remedy defects in the tower and towards the cost the K.C.A. have promised a grant of £25.

## The Gate Crashers

Unwelcome visitors to any meeting are the band that attempt a peal and lose it and then inflict themselves on the nearest meeting after tea, writes a Sussex correspondent. Having monopolised the tower for a practice in the method of which they are not proficient enough to ring a peal, they then retire (without thanks and never a thought to help the less advanced ringer!).

## Bellfounders Thanked

The prompt action of Messrs. Mears and Stainbank enabled the peal of Caters at Newbury to be rung on December 5th. Five minutes before the end of the Monday practice the headstock bolt of the 9th clapper broke, and late on Friday the bell was still clapperless. The bolt arrived in time and a good peal was scored. Peal attempts at Newbury are now restricted to two a year.

## A Copy for Mrs. Kennedy

Mr. Albert J. Hughes, of Bangor, Wales, sent his copy of 'The Ringing World' containing memorial ringing to the late President Kennedy to his nephew in California. After the copy had been perused by his immediate friends, it was sent by the nephew to Mrs. Kennedy, from whom he had an acknowledgment and a letter of thanks.

## Marple's Young Peal Ringers

Marple, Cheshire, has a reputation for producing accomplished peal ringers. Mr. William H. Dowse, who is now 21, is the fourth Marple ringer to reach the total of 200 peals in the last five years, the others being Bernard F. L. Groves (now at Maidstone), Frank Osbaldiston and Robert B. Smith. Mr. Dowse has rung in one long peal—10,000 Double Norwich Court Bob Major—which he rang at the age of 14.

## Convener Lectures

Mr. R. B. Anderson, convener of 'The Ringing World' Committee, gave a talk on bells and bellringing on December 10th to a men's organisation at Alsager. With the assistance of two colleagues, a demonstration of change ringing was given on handbells. Another popular inclusion was the playing of the record, 'The Sound of Bells,' published with Edgar Shepherd's book. The talk was enthusiastically received by a company of 45.

## The 1965 Diary

William Viggers and Maurice Hodgson have introduced a number of improvements to this year's diary, which is again in popular demand with an order list of 1,100 before a copy was received from the bindery. The first peals and record lengths section is now attractively tabulated. Method blank pages have been taken out and more method diagrams introduced. An innovation of Mr. Viggers is blank method cards with the path of the treble marked out (2s. 6d. a dozen). These can be transferred from diary to diary without re-writing. Four new Triples methods are introduced on the cover.

## Memorial to Mr. F. M. Mitchell

The Kent County Association hope shortly to place an order for a suitable memorial to the late Mr. F. M. Mitchell, who for more than 50 years was captain at Milton-next-Gravesend. It will be a tablet in bronze, and will be erected in the church he served so faithfully. Mr. Mitchell held key positions in K.C.A. for many years from 1928, first as secretary-treasurer and later as treasurer. He was also a Past Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths, and died in 1960.

## Following Washington

'I was very pleased to hear that Guildford is to follow the Washington design,' writes Mr. John Seager, of Sheffield, 'as the bells there impressed me when I visited them. The radial frame was simple and rigid, with no tendency to twist the tower. There was enough weight to sound well, and the "go" was so good that any competent ringer could handle them without undue effort.'

## Electric Clock as Memorial

For 60 years the late Mr. Joseph Gilson was a regular service ringer at St. Mary's, Melton Mowbray. On December 8th an electric wall clock for the belfry, the gift of his family, was dedicated by the Vicar, Canon C. M. S. Clarke, who paid a tribute to his faithful service to the church and belfry. Mr. H. Clayton, tower captain, also spoke of his devoted service and thanked the family for their gift.

## 'Arran Chief'

The Earl of Arran devoted the main part of his feature article in the London 'Evening News' on Dec. 16th to 'The Ringing World'. We feel that the many ringers living in the Home Counties have enjoyed his pawky humour. As a compliment one of our enthusiastic bellringer-gardeners has decided to order 'Arran Chief' instead of 'Majestic' for his main potato crop next year!

## The Presents List

The Earl thanks 'The Ringing World' for solving his Christmas present problem and makes these suggestions: 'What more acceptable gift than "The Church Bells of Guernsey, Alderney and Sark," 8s. 6d. from Mr. F. Sharpe? Or "Ropesight" (the case for capital punishment?). Or a Bell-ringer's Car Badge ("where the hell do you think you're going? Ooops... sorry, old man, didn't know you were one of us. Ding-dong!"). Or "Grand-sire" (surely the book for Grand-dad?).'

## Four W's

Those four Ws—'Wratten Wringers' Wreath Week-end' in Bristol came in, and rightly so, for what the Earl termed 'Raw Facts'. 'A quiet occasion?' he asks. 'Not on your nelly. One group went to Westminster where they found that a previous party had broken the rope of the treble. So not to be outdone they broke the rope of the third during a touch of Doubles. The day before (a hectic day) another group were at St. Philip's where a first class peal of Rutland was scored with "Drugged Dick" dreaming his way through. No wonder that several members of another party "expressed regrets at not having taken advantage of Chris Kippin's offer to run a book on the outcome of the peal".'

## Tea Obsession

What surprises his lordship is what he described as bell-ringers' obsession for tea as displayed in the meeting announcements. He commends his neighbour, Mr. Baker, of King's Langley, for his forthrightness 'No names, no tea' and adds: 'Quite right, Mr. B. You can't have nameless people coming and noshing-up at your expense. After all, they might be a rival gang!'

The article concludes: 'Happy ringing, chums!... and don't get dragged up to Heaven.'

## A Warwick Anniversary

The fifth anniversary of the recasting and rehanging of the bells of St. Nicholas', Warwick, was commemorated by a peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major on December 5th in which four of the local band participated. On the following evening the regular band made their contribution by a quarter of Bob Major. In this four of the Randall family participated—father, mother and two sons.

## From Surrey to Wiltshire

Surrey-Kent ringers had a successful trip into Wiltshire on December 5th to ring the bells of St. Andrew's, Chippenham, for the 230th anniversary of the bells. A good peal of Yorkshire Surprise was rung: special congratulations to Miss Jean L. Lavender, on her 50th peal.



## NORTHERN IRELAND TOUR

## THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.

BELFAST, Co. Antrim.—At the Church of St. Donard.

On Sat., Aug. 1, 1964, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

David Perry .. .. .	Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 2 lb. in A flat.
David Vincent .. .. .	Richard J. Clifton .. .. . 4
Jack N. Brown .. .. .	Joseph W. Cotton .. .. . 5
	Derek P. Jones .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

LURGAN, Co. Armagh.—At Christ Church, Shankill.

On Tues., Aug. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 24 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb. in E flat.

David Vincent .. .. .	Treble	Robert E. Hardy .. .. . 5
Joseph W. Cotton .. .. .	2	J. Barry Pickup .. .. . 6
Martin C. Faulkes .. .. .	3	Derek P. Jones .. .. . 7
Roger G. Havard .. .. .	4	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. . Tenor

Composed by William Barton.

Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

ENNISKILLEN, Co. Fermanagh.—At the Cathedral of St. Macartin.

On Wed., Aug. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 18 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 20 cwt. 2 qr. 15 lb. in E flat.

Raymond J. Ballard .. .. .	Treble	David W. Parkin .. .. . 6
Richard J. Clifton .. .. .	2	Jack N. Brown .. .. . 7
J. Barry Pickup .. .. .	3	Roger S. Havard .. .. . 8
Martin C. Faulkes .. .. .	4	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. . 9
Joseph W. Cotton .. .. .	5	Derek P. Jones .. .. . Tenor

Composed by C. J. Sedgley.

Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

LONDONDERRY.—At the Cathedral of St. Columb.

On Fri., Aug. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 31 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5000 PLAIN BOB ROYAL

Tenor 32 cwt. 6 lb. in D.

R. Kingsley Mason .. .. .	Treble	Jack N. Brown .. .. . 6
Julia H. Fellows .. .. .	2	Roger G. Havard .. .. . 7
Hilary F. Pardoe .. .. .	3	Roger S. Havard .. .. . 8
J. Barry Pickup .. .. .	4	Martin C. Faulkes .. .. . 9
Raymond J. Ballard .. .. .	5	Derek P. Jones .. .. . Tenor

Arranged by S. J. Ivin.

Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

COLERAINE, Co. Londonderry.—At the Church of St. Patrick.

On Fri., Aug. 7, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in E.

*J. Alan Ball .. .. .	Treble	Richard J. Clifton .. .. . 5
Jack N. Brown .. .. .	2	Joseph W. Cotton .. .. . 6
David Vincent .. .. .	3	Derek P. Jones .. .. . 7
Raymond J. Ballard .. .. .	4	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. . Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

\*First peal on eight bells.

The composition contains all the 7468, 7568, 6578 and 5678 course-ends, also Queen's, Whittington's and Tiltum's.

BANGOR, Co. Down.—At the Church of St. Comgall.

On Sat., Aug. 8, 1964, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt. 4 lb. in E flat.

David Vincent .. .. .	Treble	Roger G. Havard .. .. . 5
Joseph W. Cotton .. .. .	2	J. Barry Pickup .. .. . 6
Jack N. Brown .. .. .	3	Martin C. Faulkes .. .. . 7
Derek P. Jones .. .. .	4	R. Kingsley Mason .. .. . Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

## OTHER PEALS

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CHILCOMPTON, Somerset.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven extents: (1) Norfolk, (2) Primrose, (3) Surfleet, (4) Beverley.

(5) London, (6) York, (7) Ipswich.			Tenor 20 cwt.	
Eric C. Wadman	.. ..	<i>Treble</i>	*David K. Adnett	.. .. 4
Edward J. Chivers	.. ..	2	Adrian P. Beck	.. .. 5
Ronald G. Beck	.. ..	3	*Robert E. Beck	.. .. <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by Adrian P. Beck.

\* First peal in seven Surprise Minor methods. First as conductor.

## THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

HIGH WYCOMBE, Buckinghamshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 36 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 30 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in C sharp.

W. J. Ridgman (Queens') .. .. .	Treble	C. M. Press (King's) .. .. . 7
J. M. H. Hunter (Trinity) .. .. .	2	V. Nutton (Selwyn) .. .. . 8
C. H. Rogers (Emmanuel) .. .. .	3	S. C. Walters (Pembroke) .. .. . 9
A. S. Hudson (Clare) .. .. .	4	C. M. P. Johnson (Selwyn) .. .. . 10
K. J. Darvill (St. Cath's) .. .. .	5	B. D. Threfall (Trinity) .. .. . 11
*S. P. Darvill (Downing) .. .. .	6	*F. C. Hobson (St. John's) .. .. . Tenor

Composed by John Carter.

Rung silent and non-conducted. Umpires: John E. Chilcott (Ancient Society of College Youths) and John E. Camp (Oxford University Society).

\* First peal on 12 bells. First silent peal by all the band. 600th peal by the Guild.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

LAWTON, Cheshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Fri., Dec. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In three methods, being 1,728 each of Cambridge and Yorkshire, and 1,600 of Superlative, with 107 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.

Middleton's.		Tenor 8½ cwt.
Frank R. Morton .. ..	Treble	Walter Sherratt .. .. 5
Norman Sherratt .. ..	2	Barry Corbishley .. .. 6
Harold Dowler .. ..	3	Roy Worrall .. .. 7
Raymond J. Ballard .. ..	4	Ivor R. Nichols .. .. Tenor
Arranged by Norman Smith.		Conducted by Ivor R. Nichols.

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Conducted by Ivor R. Nichols.

First peal of three Spliced by all the band.

ECCLESTON, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Blessed-Virgin.

On Sat., Dec. 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 KENT &amp; OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR

likeston arrangement.

John W. Griffiths .. .. .	Treble	John S. Dean .. .. . 5
Mrs. C. W. Lawton .. .. .	2	Dennis H. B. Millward .. .. . 6
Charles W. Lawton .. .. .	3	Anthony W. Lawton .. .. . 7
Peter W. Horn .. .. .	4	Geoffrey Parting .. .. . Tenor

Composed by F. Nolan Golden.

Conducted by John W. Griffiths.

WISTATON, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Dec. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE-SURPRISE MINOR

Seven different extents.

*Herbert Sutton .. .. .	Treble	George A. Packer .. .. . 4
*Anthony R. Trickett .. .. .	2	*J. Derek Smith .. .. . 5
†Frank R. Morton .. .. .	3	†John E. Brough .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by John E. Brough.

\* First peal in the method. † First of Minor in the method. First as conductor in the method. This is the 100th peal on the bells.

## THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

WARWICK.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb.

*Peter C. Randall .. .. .	Treble	Hubert G. Summers .. .. . 5
Ernest J. Gower .. .. .	2	Geoffrey W. Randall .. .. . 6
Frank W. Perrens .. .. .	3	Ian C. Maycock .. .. . 7
Percy Stone .. .. .	4	Edward Holdsworth .. .. . Tenor

Composed by R. Baldwin.

Conducted by Ian C. Maycock.

\* First peal of Surprise.

## THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

RIPLEY, Derbyshire.—At the Parish Church of All Saints.

On Thurs., Nov. 19, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.

Anthony Loughton .. .. .	Treble	Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb. in F.
Trevor Taylor .. .. .	2	Gordon A. Halls .. .. . 5
Mrs. J. M. A. Astridge .. .. .	3	Derek G. Astridge .. .. . 6
*George Futers .. .. .	4	John F. Murfin .. .. . 7
		John Morton .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by John F. Murfin.

\* First peal.

## THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

HOUGHTON-LE-SPRING, Co. Durham.—At the Church of

St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

Sally B. Buchanan .. .. .	Treble	Lawrence R. Pizzey .. .. . 5
Jennifer Seeny .. .. .	2	David J. Marshall .. .. . 6
Alice E. J. Lester .. .. .	3	William G. Wilson .. .. . 7
John O. Freeman .. .. .	4	Bryan Pattison .. .. . Tenor

Composed by Thomas B. Worsley.

Conducted by Bryan Pattison.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CAMBRIDGE.—At the Church of St. Andrew-the-Great.

On Wed., Dec. 9, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in G.

Geoffrey Pearson .. .. .	Treble	John G. Gipson .. .. . 5
Donald F. Murfet .. .. .	2	Geoffrey A. Lucas .. .. . 6
Jane K. A. Cook .. .. .	3	Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. . 7
C. Martin Press .. .. .	4	George W. Massey .. .. . Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

Conducted by George W. Massey.

GT. STAUGHTON, Huntingdonshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Dec. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being one extent each of London, Wells, York, Durham, Ipswich, Nor-

Harold S. Peacock .. .. .	Treble	Tenor 18 cwt. in E.
Jane K. A. Cook .. .. .	2	*Alan M. Barber .. .. . 4
Donald F. Murfet .. .. .	3	Geoffrey A. Lucas .. .. . 5
		George E. Thoday .. .. . Tenor

Conducted by George E. Thoday.

\* 50th peal for the Association. First of seven Surprise on the bells.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the fourth.



## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

DANBURY, Essex.—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.  
On Wed., Dec. 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of Ipswich, two of Cambridge Surprise, and one each of Kent T.B., Double Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

Marion R. Pantou .. .. Treble	Ian R. Pantou .. .. 4
*Rosemarie A. Frith .. .. 2	Philip J. Rothera .. .. 5
†Peter G. Brown .. .. 3	George E. Thoday .. .. Tenor

Conducted by George E. Thoday.

\* First peal. † 25th for the Association. 25th peal on the bells.

WORMINGFORD, Essex.—At the Church of St. Andrew.  
On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In three methods, being 720 each of Single Court and Oxford Bob, one 720 of Single Court and Oxford Bob, and five 720's of Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt.

David E. Culham .. .. Treble	*Brian J. Vaughan .. .. 4
Neil V. Avis .. .. 2	Frank B. Lufkin .. .. 5
Peter G. Pitt .. .. 3	*Stephan D. Humphrey .. Tenor

Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.

\* First peal in three methods.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
CHIPPENHAM, Wiltshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours.

## A PEAL OF 5024 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lb. in E flat.

Frank E. Darby .. .. Treble	Stewart F. Kimber .. .. 5
*Jean L. Lavender .. .. 2	Edward J. Jenner .. .. 6
Ann Jenner .. .. 3	Stanley Jenner .. .. 7
Olive D. Tester .. .. 4	Colin A. Tester .. .. Tenor

Composed by Dennis Knox.

Conducted by Stanley Jenner.

\* 50th peal.

Rung to mark the 230th anniversary of the recasting of the bells.

## THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

NORTHCHURCH, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5184 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 15 cwt. 24 lb.

Walter Ayre .. .. Treble	*Peter W. Harper .. .. 5
*D. Joseph Goodman .. .. 2	*Keith D. Waples .. .. 6
*Brian M. Barker .. .. 3	Antony R. Kench .. .. 7
*C. Valerie Mills .. .. 4	Kenneth R. Dunstan .. Tenor

Composed by Arthur Knights

Conducted by Walter Ayre.

\* First of Oxford T.B.

A 73rd birthday compliment to the conductor.

APSLEY END, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., Dec. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Fulbeck Bob, Double Bob, Thelwall, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Single Oxford and Plain Bob.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

*Keith Sheppard .. .. Treble	Augustin V. Good .. .. 4
Walter Ayre .. .. 2	Antony R. Kench .. .. 5
Brian M. Barker .. .. 3	Reginald E. J. Sheppard .. Tenor

Conducted by Walter Ayre.

\* First peal.

To welcome Mark, son of Reg and Daphne; also a birthday compliment to the conductor.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

HIGH HALDEN, Kent.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Dec. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MINOR

In 28 methods: (1) Netherseale, Lightfoot and Wearmouth, (2) Chester, Newcastle, Alnwick and Munden, (3) Wells, London, Dearne Valley and Cuneceastre, (4) Cambridge, Norfolk, Ipswich, Hull, Primrose and Bourne, (5) Annables' London, Rossendale and Stamford, (6) Carlisle and Northumberland, (7) York, Durham, Berwick, Surfleet, Hexham and Beverley; with 119 changes of method. Tenor 13½ cwt. in F sharp.

Ian H. Oram .. .. Treble	Ralph Bird .. .. 4
*Mary S. Taylor .. .. 2	Thomas Cullingworth .. 5
John Faircloth .. .. 3	Andrew M. Macve .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Ian H. Oram.

\* Most methods to a peal.

SANDHURST Kent.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sat., Dec. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being an extent each of Durham, London, Surfleet, York, Ipswich Beverley and Cambridge.

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lb. in F sharp.

*Isabel M. Pearce .. .. Treble	Ralph Bird .. .. 4
Ian H. Oram .. .. 2	Andrew M. Macve .. .. 5
Crawford T. Hillis .. .. 3	Thomas Cullingworth .. Tenor

Conducted by Andrew M. Macve.

\* First peal on six bells.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

OLDHAM, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.  
On Sun., Dec. 6, 1964, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 35 cwt. 4 lb. in D flat.

Tudor P. Edwards .. .. Treble	Cyril Crossthwaite .. .. 7
F. John Nelson .. .. 2	Patrick I. Chapman .. .. 8
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 3	John H. Fielden .. .. 9
Alan J. Frost .. .. 4	John S. Mason .. .. 10
Diana M. Frost .. .. 5	Peter Border .. .. 11
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. 6	Wilfred Williams .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Peter Border.

WORSLEY, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Mark.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

No. 3 version.	Tenor 24 cwt. 7 lb. in D.
Patrick I. Chapman .. .. Treble	F. John Nelson .. .. 6
Maryl R. Crossthwaite .. 2	Peter Border .. .. 7
Tudor P. Edwards .. .. 3	Alan J. Frost .. .. 8
Kenneth J. Hesketh .. .. 4	Ralph G. Edwards .. .. 9
John H. Fielden .. .. 5	Wilfred Williams .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Peter Border.

CHORLEY, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Laurence.

On Sun., Nov. 22, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11½ cwt.

Margaret Crossthwaite .. Treble	Lawrence Walsley .. .. 5
Philip J. Crossthwaite .. 2	*Michael Arrowsmith .. 6
Cyril Crossthwaite .. .. 3	Bernard Moss .. .. 7
*James Blackburn .. .. 4	*Thomas F. Metcalfe .. Tenor

Composed by N. J. Pittsow.

Conducted by Bernard Moss.

\* First peal in the method. First of Surprise as conductor.

In memoriam Fred Blackledge of Brindle.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

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

On Sat., Dec. 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 36 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

No. 3 version.	Tenor 35 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lb. in G sharp.
Harold F. Gibson .. .. Treble	A. Robin Heppinstall .. 6
*Iris M. E. Lemare .. .. 2	George H. Randles .. .. 7
*Anne E. Bateson .. .. 3	*Colin W. Reed .. .. 8
Norah M. Randles .. .. 4	Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. 9
Jack L. Millhouse .. .. 5	Geoffrey Paul .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Kenneth Lewis.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

\* First peal of London Surprise Royal.

METHERINGHAM, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Wilfred.

On Fri., Dec. 11, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 6 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb. in G sharp.

Harold F. Gibson .. .. Treble	Geoffrey Paul .. .. 5
Iris M. E. Lemare .. .. 2	George H. Randles .. .. 6
Joyce M. Gurnhill .. .. 3	Jack L. Millhouse .. .. 7
Norah M. Randles .. .. 4	Geoffrey R. Parker .. .. Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.

MEASHAM, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Lawrence.

On Tues., Nov. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5024 WYE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb. in F sharp.

William F. Woodward .. Treble	Richard J. Clifton .. .. 5
Brian G. Warwick .. .. 2	Joseph W. Cotton .. .. 6
Arthur E. Rowley .. .. 3	Roland Beniston .. .. 7
Gordon H. Lane .. .. 4	Derek P. Jones .. .. Tenor

Composed by Norman Smith

Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

DICKLEBURGH, Norfolk.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sun., Nov. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR

Tenor 11½ cwt.

William Clover .. .. Treble	*Leslie F. Bailey .. .. 4
*Martin Cubitt .. .. 2	Henry Tooke .. .. 5
*Thomas E. Spight .. .. 3	H. William Barrett .. Tenor

Conducted by Henry Tooke.

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

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

NEWBURY, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5043 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qr.

*Robert B. Blond .. .. Treble	*Ronald C. Christopher .. 6
Ernest G. Garrard .. .. 2	John Napper .. .. 7
*Jack O. Berry .. .. 3	*Henry Lawrenson .. .. 8
*Walter Hunt .. .. 4	Arthur Sayers .. .. 9
*Roger P. Pike .. .. 5	*Edward G. Sawyer .. .. Tenor

Composed by Cornelius Charge.

Conducted by Robert B. Blond.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters. First of Caters as conductor.

Rung on the eve of the Feast of St. Nicholas, the Patron Saint.



**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
**MAIDENHEAD, Berkshire.**—At the Church of All Saints, Boyne Hill.  
**A PEAL OF 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR**  
*On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.*

Tenor 15 cwt. 13 lb. in E.	
*Donald T. Young .. .. Treble	†Robert H. Newton .. . 5
Joyce I. Barton .. . 2	E. Dennis Poole .. . 6
Arthur Newton .. . 3	Roland Biggs .. . 7
Ernest E. Gosling .. . 4	†David A. Cornwall .. . Tenor

Composed by H. Dains. Conducted by David A. Cornwall.

\* First peal in the method. † First in the method 'inside.' ‡ 100th peal.

**MARSTON, Oxford.**—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

*On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES**

In three methods, being 14 extents each of St. Nicholas, Marston and Oxford. Tenor 5 cwt.

David G. Oliver .. .. Treble	Leonard R. Porter .. . 3
Roy H. Jones .. . 2	Noel D. Deam .. . 4
Alec Gammon .. . Tenor	

Conducted by Roy H. Jones.

Rung for the Patronal Festival.

**NORTHLEIGH, Oxon.**—At the Church of St. Mary.

*On Mon., Dec. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR**

Being seven different extents. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 15 lb.

Peter G. Holden .. .. Treble	*Edward D. Patching .. . 4
D. Kay Adkins .. . 2	James F. List .. . 5
T. Geoffrey Holden .. . 3	David Floyd .. . Tenor

Conducted by D Kay Adkins.

\* First peal 'inside.'

**THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.**

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

*On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb. in E.

G. Robert Mordaunte .. Treble	*Roger M. Heyworth .. . 5
*Anthony P. Foster .. . 2	John W. Thorp .. . 6
Hilary F. Pardoe .. . 3	M. Roger Ashmore .. . 7
John G. Pusey .. . 4	Nicholas J. Martin .. . Tenor

Composed by G. Freebury.

Conducted by John G. Pusey.

\* First peal of Surprise Major. First in the method 'inside' for all except the Tenor ringer.

Rung as a compliment to Rodney B. Meadows, a member of the Society, upon his being elected Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths.

**HINTON WALDRIST, Berkshire.**—At the Church of St. Margaret.  
*On Thurs., Dec. 10, 1964, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Tenor 6½ cwt.

G. Robert Mordaunte .. Treble	Hilary F. Pardoe .. . 4
M. Roger Ashmore .. . 2	John G. Pusey .. . 5
Bruce Wakefield .. . 3	Nicholas J. Martin .. . Tenor

Conducted by John G. Pusey.

Believed to be the first peal of Surprise on the bells.

Rung as a compliment to the ringer of the 4th on her 21st birthday.

**THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**MOULTON, Northants.**—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul.

*On Thurs., Nov. 26, 1964, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb. in F.

*Shirley Ruddlesden .. Treble	Kenneth D. Perkins .. . 5
Patrick I. Chapman .. . 2	§Charles E. Truman .. . 6
†Stanley Ruddlesden .. . 3	†Alan A. Paul .. . 7
‡Roger W. Smith .. . 4	Barrie Hendry .. . Tenor

Composed by Stephen Ivin.

Conducted by Barrie Hendry.

\* First of Surprise. † First of Surprise 'inside.' ‡ First of Cambridge Major. § 100th peal.

**IRTHLINGBOROUGH, Northants.**—At the Church of St. Peter.

*On Sat., Dec. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5024 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in G.

John R. Mayne .. .. Treble	*Christopher H. Rogers .. . 5
Elsie K. Hart .. . 2	*Peter M. Fleckney .. . 6
*Patricia Rogers .. . 3	Murray A. Coleman .. . 7
H. George Hart .. . 4	John Hill .. . Tenor

Composed by Richard F. B. Speed.

Conducted by John R. Mayne.

\* First peal in the method.

**KINGSTHORPE, Northants.**—At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.  
*On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR**

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lb. in F.

Michael R. Harvey .. .. Treble	Bernard E. Frost .. . 4
Shirley Ruddlesden .. . 2	David Taylor .. . 5
Alan A. Cozens .. . 3	Barrie Hendry .. . Tenor

Conducted by Barrie Hendry.

**THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**BRADFORD-ON-AVON, Wiltshire.**—At Christ Church.

*On Sat., Nov. 14, 1964, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**

Taylor's Six-Part Bob and Single Sixth obs.

Tenor 12 cwt. 7 lb. in G.

*Brian R. Carter .. .. Treble	Philip S. Gaisford .. . 5
†Jonathan H. Nibbs .. . 2	Robert J. Purnell .. . 6
J. Martin Page .. . 3	Frederick W. Box .. . 7
‡David L. Nibbs .. . 4	Richard Lovelock .. . Tenor

Conducted by Robert J. Purnell.

\* First peal. † First of Triples. ‡ First of Triples 'inside.' Rung as a compliment to the parents of the ringer of the 5th, Mr. and Mrs. S. Gaisford, on the occasion of their silver wedding.

**THE UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD GUILD.**

**WORTLEY, Yorkshire.**—At the Church of St. Leonard.

*On Wed., Dec. 9, 1964, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Tenor 12 cwt. 17 lb. in G.

*Robin Stalvies .. .. Treble	Christopher Lomax .. . 5
Elizabeth M. Snell .. . 2	Trevor G. Still .. . 6
*Richard J. Tibbetts .. . 3	†Alan Friskney .. . 7
†Charlie Adam .. . 4	Michael R. Meadows .. . Tenor

Composed by Nolan Golden.

Conducted by Michael R. Meadows.

\* First peal. † First of Major. First of Major as conductor. First peal of Major for the Guild.

**THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

**HODNET, Shropshire.**—At the Church of St. Lucy.

*On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Washbrook's var. Tenor 12 cwt. 24 lb.

R. E. Morris .. .. Treble	R. Newton .. . 5
P. J. Evans .. . 2	F. G. Beddow .. . 6
B. G. Key .. . 3	C. G. Barron .. . 7
E. M. Key .. . 4	F. G. H. Cattell .. . Tenor

Conducted by F. G. Beddow.

First as conductor (aged 57).

A compliment to Sir Winston Churchill.

**THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**

**BLITHFIELD, Staffordshire.**—At the Church of St. Leonard.

*On Mon., Nov. 30, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR**

Being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise and Oxford T.B. two extents of Kent T.B. and three of Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in A.

*Roger Stanley .. .. Treble	†Eric S. White .. . 4
*Frank Beech jun. .. . 2	*Roy K. Mowforth .. . 5
Ian Friend .. . 3	Richard J. Warrilow .. . Tenor

Conducted by Richard J. Warrilow.

\* First peal in four methods. † First of Minor.

Rung for the Feast of St. Andrew.

**THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**

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

*On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes.*

**A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

Heywood's Transposition. Tenor 8 cwt. 24 lb. in G sharp.

*Beryl N. Reed .. .. Treble	†Harold Gibson .. . 5
John Freeman .. . 2	*Colin W. Reed .. . 6
A. Robin Heppenstall .. . 3	*Cyril H. Pritchett .. . 7
James W. Raithby .. . 4	Brian E. White .. . Tenor

Conducted by John Freeman.

\* 75th peal together. † First of Triples. ‡ First in the method. First of Stedman on the bells.

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## THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

GAMSTON, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Thurs., Dec. 3, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent of Oxford Bob and two extents of Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb. in A.

Sidney Carnall .. .. Treble	David D. Parsons .. .. 4
Katherine Burchnall .. .. 2	A. Harry Hawcroft .. .. 5
Grace Burchnall .. .. 3	Harold Denman .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Harold Denman.

Rung half-muffled in memory of the Rev. S. M. I. Salt, Rector of Gamston 1939-59, who died on November 22nd, aged 80.

## WILLOUGHBY ON THE WOLDS, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Wed., Dec. 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being ten extents of All Saints, Eight extents each of Reverse Canterbury, Southrepps, Plain Bob and Kennington. Tenor 6 cwt.

Wilfred L. Ratcliffe .. .. Treble	S. Jane Dowse .. .. 3
Ruth Blackshaw .. .. 2	C. Raymond Larkin .. .. 4

Maurice W. Harrison .. Tenor

Conducted by S. Jane Dowse.

First peal as conductor. 50th peal this year for R. Blackshaw and M. W. Harrison.

A 72nd birthday compliment to Mrs. Lilian Dowse, and to welcome Janet Leslie, daughter for Mr. and Mrs. W. Neville Brown.

## THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

WORLINGWORTH, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Mon., Dec. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 9 lb. in G.

George W. Pipe .. .. Treble	Roger L. K. Whittell .. .. 5
Robert E. Lester .. .. 2	Lawrence R. Pizzeby .. .. 6
Leonard E. Last .. .. 3	Leslie G. Brett .. .. 7
Neville F. Whittell .. .. 4	Howard W. E. Egglestone .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen J. Ivin.

Conducted by George W. Pipe.

First peal on the bells for 28 years.

A wedding compliment to James B. Morley and Anthea Greaves, married at Rougham, December 5th.

## GRUNDISBURGH, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Wed., Dec. 9, 1964, in 3 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 23 lb. in G.

Cecil W. Pipe .. .. Treble	Percy May .. .. 5
Michael Daniels .. .. 2	Raymond F. Taylor .. .. 6
Robert E. Lester .. .. 3	Leslie G. Brett .. .. 7
George E. Symonds .. .. 4	Alan R. Bridges .. .. Tenor

Composed by F. Bennett.

Conducted by Alan R. Bridges.

First peal of Major as conductor.

## WEST STOW, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sun., Nov. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being one extent each of Netherscale Surprise, Norwich Surprise, Ipswich Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt. (approx.) in F.

Arthur F. Ballam .. .. Treble	John A. Underwood .. .. 4
Neville F. Whittell .. .. 2	Howard W. Egglestone .. .. 5
Richard Rose .. .. 3	Maurice J. Rose .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Maurice J. Rose.

Fastest peal on the bells.

Rung for the 51st anniversary of the first peal on the bells.

## BARKING, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Fri., Dec. 4, 1964, in 3 Hours and 46 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being two extents each of St. Clement's, Oxford T.B. and Kent T.B., and one extent of Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lb. in G.

Robert E. Lester .. .. Treble	† John J. Prentice .. .. 4
* E. James Lockwood .. .. 2	Raymond F. Taylor .. .. 5
Neville F. Whittell .. .. 3	George W. Ppe .. .. Tenor

Conducted by George W. Pipe.

\* First peal 'inside.' † First in four methods 'inside.'

To mark the retirement of Canon S. H. de la Bere, after 39 years as Rector of Barking-cum-Darmsden.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

WIMBLEDON, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. in A flat.

* Elizabeth Lass .. .. Treble	Christopher F. Mew .. .. 5
† Vanessa Rodrigues .. .. 2	Anthony S. Bishop .. .. 6
Alison M. Mann .. .. 3	Alan E. Bagworth .. .. 7
† Rosamund M. Rawlings .. 4	A. Patrick Cannon .. .. Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by A. Patrick Cannon.

\* First peal. † First of Surprise Major. First of Surprise on the bells, and rung at the conductor's birthplace.

## LONDON, S.E.—At the Church of St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 24 lb. in F.
* Christopher G. Barnes .. Treble	William S. Parrott .. .. 5
Norman S. Bagworth .. .. 2	Richard C. Stevens .. .. 6
David Herschell .. .. 3	Frederick E. Collins .. .. 7
Denis J. Woodhams .. .. 4	* Malcolm Ferrier .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Frederick E. Collins.

\* First peal on eight. † First peal.

Rung as a compliment to Denis J. Woodhams, of Immanuel Church, Streatham, who will be leaving for Australia in the New Year.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BRIGHTON, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 16 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 BELGRAVE SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. in D.

John A. Howard .. .. Treble	Cyril S. Jarrett .. .. 6
Herbert W. Woolven .. .. 2	W. Arthur Riddington .. 7
Angela Grainger .. .. 3	Edward F. P. Bryant .. .. 8
John C. Baldwin .. .. 4	Bernard F. L. Groves .. .. 9
David S. Osenton .. .. 5	Martin L. Howe .. .. Tenor

Arranged by C. K. Lewis.

Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.

First peal of Royal in the method by all the band except the conductor, on the bells and for the Association. First of Royal in the method as conductor.

Rung as a 90th birthday compliment to Sir Winston S. Churchill.

## WALDRON, Sussex.—At the Church of All Saints and St. Bartholomew.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 7 lb. in G.

Cyril S. Jarrett .. .. Treble	* John Howard .. .. 5
Martin L. Howe .. .. 2	W. Arthur Riddington .. 6
John C. Baldwin .. .. 3	Bernard F. L. Groves .. .. 7
* Raymond J. Talbot .. .. 4	David S. Osenton .. .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen J. Ivin.

Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.

\* First peal in the method.

Rung as a 90th birthday compliment to Sir Winston S. Churchill.

## FAIRWARP, Sussex.—At Christ Church.

On Sun., Dec. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, comprising 2,016 of Bristol, 1,824 of London, 896 of Cambridge and 352 of Superlative, with 122 changes of method. Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. in F sharp.

Robert W. Hinde .. .. Treble	Andrew J. Corby .. .. 5
* Hilary F. Martin .. .. 2	Stanley Jenner .. .. 6
Ann Jenner .. .. 3	Colin A. Tester .. .. 7
Olive D. Tester .. .. 4	Philip A. Corby .. .. Tenor

Composed by E. A. Barnett.

Conducted by Colin A. Tester.

\* First peal of Spliced Surprise Major 'inside.'

## EASTBOURNE, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin.

On Sat., Dec. 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part.	Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in F.
* Paul Fose .. .. Treble	* Ian P. White .. .. 5
Alan R. Baldock .. .. 2	Ian V. J. Smith .. .. 6
Kathleen A. Rivett .. .. 3	Thos. M. Barlow .. .. 7
Harold G. F. Reynolds .. 4	J. Michael Swift .. .. Tenor

Conducted by Alan R. Baldock.

\* First peal. † First of Grandsire Triples.

## DITCHLING, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Margaret.

On Sat., Dec. 12, 1964, in 3 Hours and 1 Minute.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 7½ cwt.

John A. Howard .. .. Treble	Herbert W. Woolven .. .. 5
Derek Slater .. .. 2	* Francis P. Gilbert .. .. 6
Valerie J. Howard .. .. 3	W. Arthur Riddington .. 7
Douglas Snoswell .. .. 4	Frank H. Hicks .. .. Tenor

Composed by Frank Bennett.

Conducted by W. Arthur Riddington.

\* First peal.

Rung to welcome Canon M. H. R. Synge to this parish, whose induction took place on December 5th. Also as an 80th birthday compliment to Rev. E. Streete, Vicar of St. Peter's, Upper Beeding, Sussex.

## ITCHINGFIELD, Sussex.—At the Church of St. Nicolas.

On Sun., Dec. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In three methods, being 14 six-scores each of Reverse Canterbury and Plain Bob, and 12 six-scores and one 240 of Grandsire. Tenor 6½ cwt.

* Janet Hazeldine .. .. Treble	* Christopher Godfrey .. .. 3
† James D. Nelson .. .. 2	David D. Smith .. .. 4

George Francis .. .. Tenor

Conducted by George Francis.

\* First peal. † First of Doubles.

Rung for the Patronal Festival and to mark the coming of age of the treble ringer.



## THE SWANSEA AND BRECON DIOCESAN GUILD.

NEATH, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Thomas.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE OXFORD BOB MINOR

Seven different extents.	Tenor 8 cwt. 8 lb. in B flat.
Patricia A. Jenkins .. Treble	Gwyn I. Lewis .. 4
Penelope J. Welch .. 2	*Brian J. Woodruffe .. 5
Christopher Ricketts .. 3	David J. Llewellyn .. Tenor

Conducted by Brian J. Woodruffe.

\* 100th peal for the Guild. First peal in the method on the bells, and by all except the conductor.

## THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

KENWYN, Truro, Cornwall.—At the Church of St. Cuby.

On Sat., Dec. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Parker's Twelve-Part (seventh observation).

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb. in F.

Marion L. Lidgley .. Treble	† Brian J. Sautelle-Smith .. 5
Anthony Locke .. 2	Alan Carveth .. 6
* Frances M. Rickard .. 3	Anthony J. Davidson .. 7
Arthur F. Burley .. 4	Denis Stephens .. Tenor

Conducted by Anthony J. Davidson.

\* First peal of Triples 'inside.' † First on eight bells. First of Triples as conductor.

A welcome to Mark Lloyd

## THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

PORTSMOUTH, Hampshire.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Thomas-of-Canterbury.

On Sat., Dec. 5, 1964, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 25½ cwt. in E flat.

Ronald F. Diserens .. Treble	James R. Taylor .. 6
Jennifer M. Taylor .. 2	Brian J. Luff .. 7
Jennifer M. Cook .. 3	John N. Diserens .. 8
Patricia Diserens .. 4	Robert C. Kippin .. 9
Edgar R. Rapley .. 5	Noel J. Diserens .. Tenor

Composed by F. E. Darby. Conducted by Ronald F. Diserens.

SWANMORE, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Barnabas.

On Wed., Dec. 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB DOUBLES

Being 42 extents, four callings. Tenor 12 cwt.

* Andrew Dixon .. Treble	* R. Ian Bowron .. 4
† Alan A. J. Buswell .. 2	† K. Paul Gilliver .. 5
* Patricia M. Samuel .. 3	† Gerald C. Pidgeon .. Tenor

Conducted by K. Paul Gilliver.

\* First peal of Doubles. † First of Plain Bob Doubles. ‡ First peal attempt.

Rung by the Guild of Ringers of St. Thomas-of-Canterbury (Portsmouth Cathedral) as a birthday compliment to the mother of Ian Bowron. Also for the birth of Deborah Cynthia, daughter to Gerald Pidgeon.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

DODDERHILL, Droitwich, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Augustine.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 18 cwt. 60 lb. in E.

Muriel Reay .. Treble	Norman J. Goodman .. 5
Susan Funnell .. 2	John A. Anderson .. 6
Robert E. Hardy .. 3	J. Alan Ainsworth .. 7
R. George Morris .. 4	George E. Fearn .. Tenor

Composed by Stephen J. Ivin. Conducted by J. Alan Ainsworth.

NETHERTON, Dudley, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Andrew.

On Fri., Dec. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 lb. in F sharp.

Iris M. E. Lemare .. Treble	Michael J. Fellows .. 5
John C. Eisel .. 2	Roderick W. Pipe .. 6
Susan Funnell .. 3	Clifford A. Barron .. 7
J. Alan Ainsworth .. 4	Martin D. Fellows .. Tenor

Composed by James W. Washbrook. Conducted by Martin D. Fellows.

First peal of London Surprise Major as conductor.

STOKE PRIOR, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sun., Dec. 6, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5184 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lb. in A.

* James Attwood, jun. .. Treble	John C. Eisel .. 5
* Ian Lloyd .. 2	Martin D. Fellows .. 6
Geoffrey J. Hemming .. 3	Michael J. Fellows .. 7
* Arthur C. Berry .. 4	Gerald C. Hemming .. Tenor

Composed by Edwin A. Barnett. Conducted by Gerald C. Hemming.

\* First 'touch' of Pudsey.

STOURBRIDGE, Worcestershire.—At the Church of St. Thomas.

On Tues., Dec. 8, 1964, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. J. Parker's.	Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb. in E.
William H. Cooper .. Treble	Martin D. Fellows .. 5
* F. John Vallender .. 2	John C. Eisel .. 6
Peter L. Bill .. 3	Michael J. Fellows .. 7
A. Bryan Ellsmore .. 4	Arthur D. Fellows .. Tenor

Arranged by James E. Groves.

\* First peal on eight bells.

Rung to mark the 50th anniversary of the granting of the Charter of Incorporation to the Borough of Stourbridge.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

SKIPTON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., Nov. 28, 1964, in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Barry Schofield .. Treble	* Barrie Dove .. 5
R. John Lumley .. 2	Gordon Benfield .. 6
Bill Kirkby .. 3	Len Goodall .. 7
Alfred B. Sullivan .. 4	Alf Smith .. Tenor

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff.

\* First peal of Surprise.

Conducted by Len Goodall.

Tenor 22 cwt.

(Sheffield and District Society.)

WATH-ON-DEARNE, Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Mon., Dec. 7, 1964, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb. in F sharp.

David Nichols .. Treble	Jeffrey Kershaw .. 5
Sandra Crossley .. 2	Michael R. Meadows .. 6
Neil Donovan .. 3	George S. Lee .. 7
Tessa Hollies .. 4	Stuart Armeson .. Tenor

Arranged by W. Eric Critchley.

Conducted by Stuart Armeson.

First peal in the method for all except the ringer of the seventh.

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

On Sat., Dec. 12, 1964, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

James Thorley .. Treble	* John Whitham .. 5
W. Eric Critchley .. 2	John F. Underwood .. 6
Howard Scott .. 3	Frederick J. Jackson .. 7
Ernest Short .. 4	Richard E. Price .. Tenor

Composed by E. W. Tipler.

\* First peal.

Rung to mark the 80th birthday of E. C. Stacey, member of the Association for 45 years.

CHAPEL ALLERTON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Matthew.

## A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

On Thurs., Dec. 9, 1964, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

In seven extents, being (1) St. Clement's. (2) Plain Bob. (3 and 4) Cambridge. (5 and 6) Oxford T.B. (7) Kent T.B. Tenor 7 cwt.

Mrs. H. B. Schofield .. Treble	Albert B. Sullivan .. 4
Peter M. Dawson .. 2	Len Goodall .. 5
R. John Lumley .. 3	Harold B. Schofield .. Tenor

Conducted by Len Goodall.

## HANDBELL PEALS

THE HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BUSHEY, Hertfordshire.—At 5, Moat Close.

On Sun., Nov. 29, 1964, in 2 Hours and 3 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of London, Wells, York, Durham, Lightfoot, Wearmouth and Cambridge. Tenor size 14 in D.

* S. Kathleen M. Baldwin 1—2	Christopher W. Woolley .. 3—4
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\* Roger Baldwin (cond.) .. 5—6

Conducted by Roger Baldwin.

\* 50th peal of Surprise as conductor.

## THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

LEICESTER.—At The Wayside, 150, Narborough Road South.

On Tues., Nov. 24, 1964, in 2 Hours and 10 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 12 methods, being 1,280 London, 960 Cambridge, 640 Rutland, 320 each of Wembley, Cray, Wordsworth, Bristol and New Gloucester, and 160 each of Pudsey, Lincolnshire, Superlative and Yorkshire, with 140 changes of method. Tenor size 15 in C.

John A. Acres .. 1—2	John M. Jelley .. 5—6
Peter J. Staniforth .. 3—4	Alfred Ballard .. 7—8

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

Conducted by Peter J. Staniforth.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. &amp; LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

HARROW, Middlesex.—At 170, Headstone Lane.

On Fri., Dec. 4, 1964, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes.

## A PEAL OF 5120 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 18 methods, comprising 20 each of Bristol, Cambridge, Ealing, Eastcote, Elford Leatherhead, Lindrum, London, Rutland, Superlative, Uxbridge, Watford, Wembley and Yorkshire, and 160 each of Aldenham, Lincolnshire, Painswick and Pudsey; with 134 changes of method. Tenor size 15 in C.

* Thomas J. Lock .. 1—2	Roger Baldwin .. 5—6
John R. Mayne .. 3—4	† Frank C. Price .. 7—8

Composed and Conducted by John R. Mayne.

\* First peal of 18-Spiced on handbells. † First of 18-Spiced. 50th peal of Surprise as conductor on handbells.



## QUARTER PEALS

**ASTHEAD, SURREY.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Grand-sire Doubles: Felicity Hamilton (first quarter) 1. Geraldine Piper 2. Diana Prynn 3. R. Mills 4. J. Hayns (cond.) 5. J. T. Symonds 6.

**BALLYLESSON, CO. DOWN.**—At Holy Trinity Church, Drumbo, on Aug. 3rd, 1,260 Minor (Plain Bob and St. Clement's): J. A. Ball 1. Hilary F. Pardoe 2. R. J. Clifton 3. R. J. Ballard 4. D. P. Jones (cond.) 5. R. E. Hardy 6.

**BENTLEY COMMON, ESSEX.**—On Dec. 7th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): Miss H. Copperthwaite 1. W. R. Chandler 2. V. J. C. Dale 3. R. J. Brown (cond.) 4. Miss B. Fisher 5. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mrs. Beatrice Maud Doonee, a member of this church, who was interred earlier in the day.

**BRAMPION, HUNTS.**—On Nov. 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. F. Baker 1. R. Houghton 2. E. J. Whiting 3. D. Murfet 4. G. A. Lucas 5. J. W. Allen 6. Rung on the occasion of the wedding of David Webb and Anne Patricia Cutress.

**BRAY-ON-THAMES, BERKS.**—On Dec. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. D. Mitchell 1. D. T. Young 2. Pearl J. Gibson 3. Kathleen Horne 4. W. Birmingham 5. Doreen Hague (cond.) 6. G. Shedden 7. J. I. Nonsworthy 8. Rung half-muffled in respect of Gordon Harris, beloved father of Wenda and Diana Harris, ringers at this tower.

**BRISTOL.**—At St. Mary Redcliffe, on Dec. 9th, 1,349 Grandsire Caters: D. Burcher (first of Caters) 1. N. Hancock 2. Miss M. D. Hancock 3. Miss J. Murell (first of Caters) 4. S. Badman 5. D. Helliwell 6. K. Rider 7. W. Abraham 8. E. F. Hancock (cond.) 9. S. Gillet 10. Rung for Confirmation by the St. Mary Redcliffe Guild.

**CHELSEFIELD, KENT.**—On Dec. 8th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. P. Sherlock 1. Jennifer Wright 2. Jennifer Payne 3. J. Igglesden 4. P. Lane (first 'inside') 5. D. C. Manger (cond.) 6.

**CHISLEHURST, KENT.**—At the Church of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, on Oct. 31st, 1,312 Spliced Surprise Major (four methods): F. Lewis 1. Ann Jenner 2. R. Bird 3. I. H. Oram (cond.) 4. Doris E. Colgate 5. D. A. Chapman 6. S. Jenner 7. F. E. Darby 8. For Dedication Festival.

**CLYST HONITON, DEVON.**—On Dec. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. R. Bould 1. Mrs. D. R. Bould 2. Jennifer Smith 3. Ann Fellows 4. C. Reeves 5. M. Lock 6. F. Mack (cond.) 7. C. Bryant 8.

**COTTINGHAM, E. YORKS.**—On Nov. 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Eve Rimer 1. Jean Woodbridge (first in method) 2. C. L. D. Munday 3. J. I. Booth 4. R. D. Gibson 5. P. Serowston 6. C. C. Brown (cond.) 7. T. Booth 8. Also on Nov. 29th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Barbara Cammack 1. Eve Rimer (first 'inside') 2. D. P. B. Miles 3. C. L. D. Munday 4. J. I. Booth 5. G. W. Pybus 6. C. C. Brown 7. P. Serowston (first as cond.) 8. Also on Dec. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Eve Rimer 1. Jennifer M. Pybus (first of Grandsire) 2. R. D. Gibson 3. G. W. Pybus 4. J. I. Booth 5. C. L. D. Munday 6. C. C. Brown (cond.) 7. T. Booth 8. All for Evensong.

**DAMERHAM, HANTS.**—On Dec. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Rev. G. Moule 1. C. Baverstock 2. N. Bush 3. J. Baverstock 4. R. N. Barlow (cond.) 5.

**DOWNTON, WILTS.**—On Dec. 7th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: N. Skelton 1. W. T. Percins (cond.) 2. P. King 3. L. A. Page 4. E. C. Read 5. J. Russell 6. R. N. Marlow 7. L. F. Cobb 8. First of Major 1. 2 and 3.

**ELTHAM, KENT.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: 1. Sims 1. P. Clarke 2. Miss C. Lawrence 3. K. Small 4. F. Hurrell 5. G. Clarke (cond.) 6. Rung for Evensong.

**ESHER, SURREY.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: P. Henry (first quarter) 1. Miss G. Mooring 2. Miss J. Palmer 3. H. Colcombe 4. J. Maybrey 5. C. Webb (cond.) 6. First in the method 2. 3 and 4. For morning service.

**FINCHLEY, MIDDLESEX.**—On Dec. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Taylor 1. Miss D. Robotham 2. F. Barker 3. A. Richardson 4. L. Tubb 5. B. Watson 6. B. Willis (cond.) 7. W. Harwin 8. For Evensong and Confirmation.

**GATESHEAD, CO. DURHAM.**—On Dec. 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Diane M. Telfer (first quarter) 1. S. J. Pardoe 2. Margaret Thow 3. P. C. E. Shears 4. A. G. Craddock (cond.) 5. W. Thow 6.

**GREAT YARMOUTH, NORFOLK.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: Margaret McBride 1. Juanita McBride 2. Angela McBride 3. P. G. W. Newstead 4. A. J. Mox 5. W. B. Duncan 6. G. W. Fletcher 7. A. G. Wigmore (cond.) 8. First quarter 1 and 3. Rung for the Patronal Festival.

**HARSTON, CAMBS.**—On Dec. 13th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. de Candole (first quarter) 1. H. E. Bishop 2. Mrs. F. A. Threlfall 3. D. G. Brown 4. B. Horrell 5. B. D. Threlfall (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**HAZELBECH, NORTHANTS.**—On Dec. 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mary Bloxam 1. A. E. York 2. I. W. Hall 3. A. V. Flutter 4. G. Wright 5. F. E. Coales 6. M. A. Coleman (cond.) 7. E. Storey 8.

**HEENE, SUSSEX.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,280 Spliced Surprise Major (London, Bristol, Cambridge and Superlative): E. Charman 1. Patricia Diserens 2. R. Wilson 3. R. P. Wood 4. E. Rapley 5. H. Weaver (first of spliced) 6. B. Luff 7. R. Diserens (cond.) 8.

**HELMDON, NORTHANTS.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: T. Wills 1. Cynthia Rowbury (first quarter) 2. W. J. Chester 3. M. Saunders 4. G. Shellard 5. W. A. Yates (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

**HEVER, KENT.**—On Nov. 7th, 1,320 Minor (four methods): D. J. M. Cox 1. C. H. Cook 2. B. E. Jeffrey 3. D. P. Smith 4. T. Lewis 5. I. V. J. Smith (cond.) 6. First of Minor in four methods for all.

**HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss J. Barton 1. Miss G. Smith (first in method 'inside') 2. R. Newton (first of Minor) 3. A. Newton 4. P. Newton 5. D. Cornwall (cond.) 6.

**KILBURN, LONDON.**—1,280 Bristol Surprise Major: J. R. Ketteringham 1. D. A. H. Bennett 2. M. N. Bland 3. Miss R. M. K. How 4. D. T. Darby 5. Miss L. Gallini 6. D. C. Birkinshaw 7. A. N. Stubbs (cond.) 8.

**LONDON.**—At St. Clement Danes, on Dec. 13th, 1,299 Stedman Caters: J. Tomsett 1. M. Haichett 2. Hilda Oatway 3. J. Marks 4. C. Hughes 5. A. M. Stacey 6. R. Cadamy 7. A. Fulwell 8. W. F. Oatway (cond.) 9. A. E. Daniels (first of Caters) 10. For Mairns. Also in memoriam Harry Sear and Bert Edwards, or 'Wilson's Wanderers,' and with best wishes to treble ringer for his ordination on December 20th.

**LYMPNE, KENT.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: T. C. Uden 1. A. Neilson 2. R. P. Brotherton (cond.) 3. H. P. Yates 4. Elizabeth Todd 5. R. H. Harman 6. For Evensong.

**MAIDSTONE, KENT.**—At All Saints, on Dec. 6th, 1,265 Stedman Caters: L. Mannering 1. Mrs. T. Cullingworth 2. F. Macey 3. T. E. Sone 4. B. F. L. Groves (cond.) 5. L. Head 6. T. Cullingworth 7. F. Hogan 8. B. Baker 9. F. Thwaites 10.

**MARKFIELD, LEICS.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,240 Doubles (Plain Bob and Grandsire): H. Billson (first quarter) 1. K. Burdett 2. J. Wardle 3. R. D. Hughes 4. G. M. Pickwell (cond.) 5. J. H. Billson (first quarter) 6. First quarter peal by Sunday service ringers. For Evensong.

**MARSTON, OXON.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. H. Jones 1. G. D. Belcher 2. D. G. Oliver 3. G. A. Porter 4. N. D. Deam (cond.) 6. For Advent Sunday. Also on Dec. 6th, 1,260 St. Nicholas' Doubles: G. A. Porter 1. R. H. Jones (cond.) 2. L. R. Porter 3. N. D. Deam 4. A. Gammon 5. First quarter of St. Nicholas' on the bells and for the band. For the Patronal Festival.

**NORTH BRADLEY, WILTS.**—On Nov. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Scharwz 1. P. Harding 2. J. Hunt (first of Triples) 3. A. Knight 4. R. Mitchell 5. J. Case 6. F. Statford (cond.) 7. G. Schwarz 8. For Patronal Festival. Also on Nov. 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. Scharwz 1. P. Harding 2. J. Hunt 3. J. Case 4. J. Lucas 5. R. Mitchell 6. F. Statford (cond.) 7. G. Schwarz 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of Mr. E. W. Godwin, a past churchwarden.

**PETERBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,296 Plain Bob Major: L. Hadman 1. J. Bird 2. B. Harris 3. W. Barker 4. R. Spencer 5. F. Boyall 6. G. Bush 7. J. H. Bluff (cond.) 8. For evening service.

**RAYLEIGH, ESSEX.**—On Nov. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss A. Goddard 1. F. May 2. E. Blower 3. W. Ward 4. M. Hallett (cond.) 5. D. Belcham 6. For Remembrance Sunday. Also on Dec. 6th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. Ward 1. A. House 2. T. Jones 3. F. May 4. M. Carter 5. D. Belcham 6. M. Hallett (cond.) 7. E. Blower 8. For Evensong.

**TEWKESBURY, GLOS.**—At the Abbey Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, on Dec. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Anne Broxton 1. Nadine Price 2. J. O. Attwood, sen. 3. M. Boskett (first of Triples 'inside') 4. A. F. Halling 5. P. S. Robertson 6. M. Hawkes (cond.) 7. S. H. Lait (first of Triples) 8. Rung for Jennifer Margaret Cowell, niece of the ringer of 2nd, born November 9th.

**TRING, HERTS.**—On Nov. 22nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss J. Barnes (first quarter) 1. H. Collins 2. D. Fraser 3. T. J. Grace 4. C. J. Badrick (cond.) 5. Miss K. Hulme (first quarter) 6. Birthday congratulations to Miss J. S. Slameck, and 21st birthday congratulations to Miss S. Slameck and Miss A. Lowdell.

**WARWICK.**—At St. Nicholas' Church, on Dec. 6th, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. Doris Randall 1. P. C. Randall 2. R. H. Randall 3. E. Holdsworth 4. Miss C. F. Dolphin 5. J. L. Garner-Hayward 6. R. H. Randall 7. E. J. Gower (cond.) 8.

**WEMDON, SOMERSET.**—On Nov. 13th, 1,440 St. Clement's College Bob Minor: D. Miller 1. G. Marchant 2. C. Clarke 3. M. Stone 4. F. Sweet 5. B. Wyld (cond.) 6. Rung as a compliment to the ringer of 4 and his wife, Valerie, married at Bridport on October 30th.

**WEST HARTLEPOOL, CO. DURHAM.**—At St. Oswald's Church, 1,282 Cambridge Surprise Royal: J. Anderson 1. Iris Thompson 2. M. Elaine Murcott 3. A. R. Patterson 4. W. G. Wilson 5. J. Crowther 6. M. Maughan 7. G. S. Deas 8. K. Lawson 9. B. Pattison (cond.) 10.

**WHATTON-ON-VALE, NOTTS.**—On Dec. 10th, 1,440 Single Oxford Bob Minor: Brenda Exton (first quarter) 1. Pamela C. Clarke 2. W. L. Exton (cond.) 3. J. D. Clarke 4. T. G. Goodwin 5. T. O. Greasley 6. Rung as a compliment to Penny Stacey and Brian Vince, on their engagement.

**WISBECH ST. MARY, CAMBS.**—On Nov. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: G. Burrows 1. J. Bird 2. G. Sharpe 3. E. Shippey 4. M. Parker 5. L. Harvey (cond.) 6. Rung in honour of M. R. Mote's 50 years as vergier of this church.

**WITNEY, OXON.**—On Dec. 2nd, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: L. T. Oliffe 1. T. Hester 2. P. Holden 3. E. J. Hill 4. D. Floyd 5. W. Clarke 6. D. Kay Adkins (cond.) 7. B. J. Coggins 8. For Confirmation service.

**WUNNERSH, SURREY.**—On Dec. 4th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. J. M. May 1. R. Hough 2. F. Housden 3. W. E. Enticknap 4. Gay D. Enticknap 5. A. E. Hunter 6. D. A. R. May (cond.) 7. A. G. Rooke 8. First of Stedman 4. 5 and 6. For Confirmation.

**YEovil, SOMERSET.**—On Dec. 6th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: G. Gaylard 1. T. E. Marks 2. D. Beaufoy 3. R. More 4. R. J. Fox 5. H. J. Gaylard (cond.) 6. T. J. Setter 7. C. Wyatt 8. For Evensong.

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### BIRTH

SMITH.—On December 9th, 1964, at Halifax General Hospital, to Arlene (née Flather) and David, a daughter (Diane). 5961

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

EVENDEN.—The address of Janet and George Evenden is now 4, Downs Road, Maidstone, Kent. 5965

LAMBERT.—The address of Robert T. Lambert is now Evergood Rest, Horsmonden, Tonbridge, Kent. 5979

### PERSONAL

BENNETT.—Recently I published my new address and works telephone number. I must now point out that this telephone number may only be used in emergencies.—P. S. Bennett, College Farm, Bearley, Stratford-upon-Avon. 5975

BEFORE YOUR HAPPY CHRISTMAS, share a few of the things you can take for granted. Help a hungry family with a gift to Oxfam. Room 3, c/o Barclays Bank Ltd., Oxford.

Then they that feared the Lord spake often one to another: and the Lord hearkened, and heard it, a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the Lord and thought upon his name—Malachi iii, 16.

### CHRISTMAS GREETING

GREETING, and best wishes to all ringing friends wherever they may be for Christmas and for 1965.—From Mrs. A. H. Pulling, 144, Woodside Road, Guildford, Surrey. 5962

### PUBLICATIONS

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THE CHURCH BELLS OF GUERNSEY, ALDERNEY AND SARK. Price, including postage, 8s. 6d., to be obtained from the author, Mr. Frederick Sharpe, 'Derwen', Launton, Bicester, Oxfordshire. 5538

WASHINGTON DEDICATION.—In view of the interest on both sides of the Atlantic in the dedication of Washington Cathedral bells there has been a reprint of the issue of June 12th, and also supplement. Usual price. With supplement 3d., please send postage.—'Ringing World,' c/o Woodbridge Press Ltd., Guildford, Surrey.

### MISCELLANEOUS

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GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD—Surprise Royal practice, St. Nicolas', Guildford, Tuesday, January 5th, 7.30 p.m. Methods: Cambridge, Yorkshire and London. General ten bell practices to be arranged for new Cathedral. 5977

### MEETINGS

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION—Bath Branch.—Annual meeting, January 2nd, St. Michael with St. Paul's (Broad Street). Bells (8) 3 p.m.: service 4.30, tea and meeting to follow. Names for tea please to Mr. J. Hobbs, 21, Hill View Road, Larkhall, Bath, by December 31st please. Abbey bells after tea.—Alan Lee, Sec. 5972

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION—Bridgwater Branch.—Annual meeting, Cannington, Saturday, January 2nd. Bells (6) 3.0, service 4.15 (Communion). Tea and business meeting to follow. Names please.—K. Prime, 10, School Hill, Ashcott, nr. Bridgwater. 5971

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION—Bedford District.—Annual District meeting, Saturday, January 2nd, at Kempston. Bells (8) from 3 p.m., tea and business meeting at 5. Please make an effort to attend.—F. N. Rivett, Dis. Sec. 5990

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION—Quarterly general meeting at Heanor (8) 3 p.m., Saturday January 2nd. Committee 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea to Mr. H. W. Farnsworth, 5, Godfrey Street, Heanor, Derbys., by Dec. 30th please.—B. P. Morris, Sec. 5947

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION—Ely District.—Annual general meeting at Ely, Saturday, January 2nd. Bells (8) 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m., tea 5 p.m. followed by business meeting and ringing. Special methods: Little Bob and Yorkshire. 5957

ESSEX ASSOCIATION—S.E. District.—A.G.M. at Gt. Waltham, Sat., January 2nd. Bells 2.30, service 4.30. Names for tea to P. W. Saltmarsh, Sycamore Cottage, Danbury, by Thursday, Dec. 31st. No name no tea.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS—N.E. Branch.—Annual meeting at Tiverton (8), Saturday, January 2nd, 3 p.m., service 4.15, tea after. Names for tea by previous Thursday to G. W. Hollis, Roseneath Avenue, Tiverton.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION—Northern District.—District annual meeting, Hitchin, January, 2nd, 3 p.m. Service 4.30, tea 5 p.m. Names to Mrs. A. Agg, 76, Wyomondley Road, Hitchin.—E. Buck, Dis. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION—Tonbridge District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Leigh on Saturday, January 2nd. Bells available at 3 p.m., service 4.15 p.m., tea at 5 p.m. Names for tea essential to Mr. B. W. Pankhurst, Chestnuts, The Green, Leigh, near Tonbridge by Wednesday, Dec. 30th. Shipbourne bells will be available after meeting.—W.H.D., Hon. Dis. Sec. 5948

LADIES GUILD—Sussex District.—A.G.M. at Southover, January 2nd. Bells (10) 3 p.m., service 4.30, tea 5. Names for tea by previous Wednesday to Miss R. Earl, Corner Stores, Horsebridge, Hailsham. 5988

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION—Blackburn Branch.—Annual general meeting at S. Peter's, Burnley, on January 2nd. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. (names to N. Smith, Meadow View Cottage, Simonstone Lane, Simonstone, Burnley). Business to follow. Officers and Branch Fund rules to be changed. Please attend.—J. Pilkington. 5981

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION—Wigan Branch.—The monthly meeting will be held at All Saints', Wigan. Bells (10) on Saturday, Jan. 2nd, 2.30 p.m. All visitors welcome. Own arrangements for tea.—D. R. Jones, Hon. Sec.

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD—Leicester District.—Annual meeting St. Margaret's, Leicester, Saturday, January 2nd. Bells 2.30 p.m., service 4 p.m., tea in The Vestry. 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. Warwick, 12, Dorothy Avenue, Glen Hills, Leics. Tel. Wigston 3244 by December 30th.—A. J. Povnor. 5991

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD—Thrapston Branch.—Annual meeting at Titchmarsh on January 2nd. Bells 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to: F. Coates, The Gables, Twywell Kettering, Northants. 5964

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.—Annual meeting January 2nd. Cathedral bells 3-4 p.m. Meeting St. Martin's Vestry 4.30. St. Martin's bells available after meeting. 5985

SALISBURY GUILD—Devizes Branch.—Annual meeting, Saturday, January 2nd, at St. John's, Devizes Bells (8) 3 p.m., also St. Mary's and St. James' (6). Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea—Mr. A. Weeks, 1, Estcourt Terrace, Devizes.—A. Knight, Hon. Sec.

SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Annual general meeting, Selby Abbey, January 2nd. Bells (10) 2.30 p.m., service 4.15 p.m., tea (mod. charge). Names please to Mr. T. H. Foster, 15, Portholme Drive, Selby, before December 31st.—L. M. Woodhead, Hon. Sec. 5974

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting in Sheffield, Saturday January 2nd, St. Marie's bells 3 till 5.30. Tea at St. Marie's. Cathedral bells after tea. Names for tea please to M. H. Hurst, Carver Lane, Sheffield 1 (Tel. 22447)—J. Seager, Sec. 5943

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Nottingham District.—Annual meeting, Nottingham St. Mary's, Saturday, January 2nd. Bells (10) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea for those who notify Mrs. S. Fokett, 6, Charles Street, Arnold, by December 31st.—S. Adams. 5958

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION—Northern Division.—Practice meeting at Danc-hill (6), Saturday, January 2nd. Bells 3 p.m., service 4.30, tea 5. Names for tea by Wednesday, December 30th, to Miss L. Taylor, Highfields, Danc-hill, near Haywards Heath. Special method—Double Court.—E. L. Hairs, Hon. Sec. 5933

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD—Alton and Petersfield District.—Practice meeting at Blackmoor, January 2nd. Bells 2.30-4.30. No tea. Newton Valence bells available 6.30 onwards. 5973

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION—Taunton Branch.—Annual meeting, Taunton, St. James's, Saturday, January 9th. Bells 3 p.m., service 4 p.m. Names for tea please. Holy Trinity (6), available 2.30 p.m.-3.30 p.m.—A. H. Reed, Mimosa, George St., Taunton. 5950

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD—Macclesfield Branch.—Annual meeting Saturday, Jan. 9th, St. Michael's (12). Bells 3 p.m.—4.30 p.m. Service 4.30, tea 5 p.m. Meeting St. Michael's Vestry 6 p.m. Bells Chrt Church (10) available after meeting. Own arrangements for tea. 5940

DEVON GUILD—Mid Devon Branch.—Annual meeting, Saturday, January 9th. Totnes, Bells 3.15 p.m., service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea by previous Thursday to D. J. Roberts, 84, Westhill Road Torquay. 5953

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Annual dinner Saturday, January 9th. For those attending the dinner, St. Peter's, Tunbridge Wells, bells will be available from 4-6 p.m. 5970

ESSEX ASSOCIATION—S.W. District.—A.G.M. at Leytonstone, on January 9th. Bells (8) 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to C. E. Willmington, 79, Wallwood Road, Leytonstone, E.11. 5949

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD—Chertsey District.—Annual District meeting at Hersham on Saturday, January 9th. Bells (8) available 3 p.m., service 4.30 p.m., tea 5 p.m. approx. Names for tea to Mrs. K. King, The Hut, Thrupps Lane, Hersham, Walton-on-Thames, by previous Wednesday. 5986

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION—Maidstone District.—Quarterly meeting at Linton on Saturday, January 9th. Bells (8) 3 p.m., service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea please to Mr. P. M. Town, Zephyr, Heath Road, Linton, near Maidstone.—M. L. Howe, Dis. Sec. 5966

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION—Ashford District.—Meeting at Wye, Saturday, January 9th. Bells (8, 20 cwt.) 3 p.m., service 4.30. Names for tea to Miss R. Gasson, Wy College, Wye, near Ashford, by previous Thursday. Good attendance (with subscriptions) specially requested.—C.T.H. 5989

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD—North Notts District.—Annual meeting at Retford, January 9th Ordsall (6) from 2.30-4.30, East Retford (10) and West Retford (6), 2.30. Service at West Retford 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. Bahworth (6), East and West Retford in evening. Names for tea by 5th to Miss M. Womack, 20, Trinity Road, Retford—H. Denman. 5982

SUFFOLK GUILD—North West District.—Ringing meeting at Elveden (8), on Saturday, January 9th. Bells from 2.30-9 p.m., service 4.30 p.m., tea 5 p.m., meeting follows. Names for tea please to Mr. J. Paul, 127, Brandon Road, Elveden, near Thetford. 5854



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