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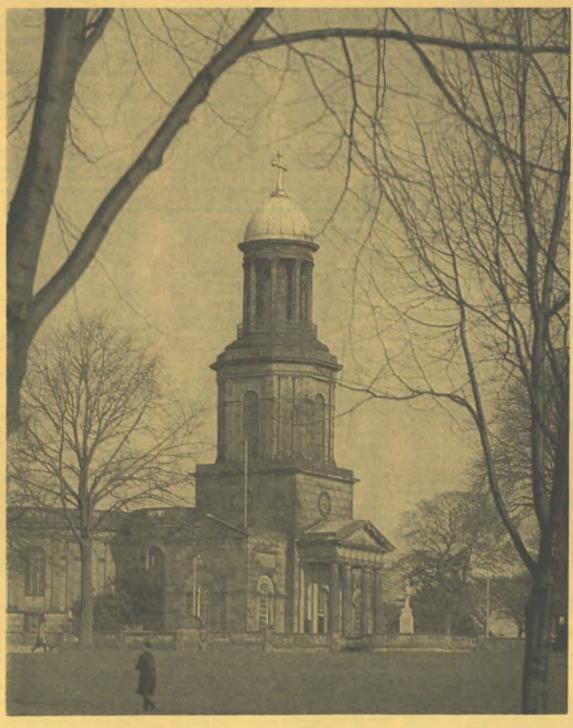
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THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD, SHREWSBURY

OUR COVER PICTURE

The Church of St. Chad, Shrewsbury

By ERNEST F. WILLCOX, Ringing Master

Old St. Chad's. On January 14th, 1714, the Union Society was founded at Shrewsbury for the practice of change-ringing and a social club. It was composed of goodclass townsmen and by 1795 comprised some 52 members, and among them was Sir William Pulteney, then Member of Parliament for the Borough of Shrewsbury.

Early in 1788 several cracks were noticed in the north-west pier of the central tower. The churchwardens were inclined to make light of the matter and the opinion of Thomas Telford, a distinguished engineer, was sought. He reported the tower unsafe and should be pulled down without delay. This report seemed a gross exaggeration as the cracks in the tower had been there, so people said, as long as men could remember. An attempt was made to replace some of the old stonework but shortly afterwards, in the early hours of a rainy morning, on July 9th, 1788, the whole tower fell

No attempt was made to rebuild Chad's Church after its collapse, and after some delay the present church was erected on an entirely new site.

The fall of the tower had caused the destruction of Rudhall's bells, and a scheme was arranged, influenced by the Union Society, to provide the new church with a heavy ring of 12. A committee was formed and £1,000 was raised, plus £600 for the old bells, to purchase the new ring of 12.

Thomas Mears was given the order for the new ring and after paying for the bells, frame, ropes and a new floor, there was a surplus of £33, which was distributed among the poor.

New St. Chad's. The foundation stone to the new St. Chad's Church was laid on St. Chad's Day, March 2nd, 1790, and the dedication of the church was on August 19th, 1792.

The new bells arrived at Shrewsbury by water on July 14th, 1798, and by July 18th, 1798, they were hung and ready for open-

By invitation of the Union Society, the College Youths rang for the opening of the new ring a peal of 5,184 changes Grandsire Cinques in 3 hours 54 minutes, conducted Thomas Blakemore from the second. This peal was followed by another peal of 6,006 changes of Grandsire Cinques rung by the Union Society in 4 hours 27 minutes on November 25th, 1799. The footnote to this peal states: "Not a note of jarring discord hurt attention's ear."

Several more good peals were rung mostly by the Union Society, and included Oxford T.B. Royal and Maximus, Grandsire Caters and Cinques, and Plain Bob

Royal and Maximus.

About 1820 the Union Society was on the decline and peals became less frequent. In 1825 it was decided the tenor bell was not heavy enough for the rest and was replaced by one of which the weight was reputed to be 38 cwt. but has been given as weighing up to 43 cwt.

During the year 1836 the eighth bell became cracked and was replaced by another bell of the same weight. Peals were now very rare and the condition of the bells declining. In 1908 the last peal on the bells was rung until 1914. This was Grandsire Triples rung on the back eight, half-muffled, to the memory of Sir Lovelace Stamer (Bishop of Shrewsbury). The tenor was rung double-handed.

On the arrival of the late Charles R. Lilley to Shrewsbury, about 1912, ringing progressed. He conducted the first peal of Stedman Triples in Shrewsbury in 1913 and eventually the St. Chad's Society was formed. Ringing continued to progress and by 1914 St. Chad's bells were recast and

rehung by John Taylor, of Loughborough (tenor 39 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb.).

The rededication of the bells took place on Wednesday, May 28th, 1914, by the Dean of Lichfield (Dr. Savage). The ring of 12 is now in perfect order and of very

rich musical tone.

The first peal was rung on November 19th, 1914, this being Plain Bob Major rung half-muffled to the memory of Lord Roberts. The peal was rung on the back eight, conducted by Charles R. Lilley from the tenor, with a local band. Plain Bob Royal was rung in 1917 and Plain Bob Maximus in 1919.

On January 30th, 1926, Charles R. Lilley conducted a peal of Stedman Cinques from the treble and James George rang the tenor. This was Charles R. Lilley's last peal in

Shrewsbury.

Whilst St. Chad's had a steady Sunday service band, no one appeared interested in peal ringing and the tower was a closed

shop to visiting bands.

It was not until December 1st, 1945, that the bells were heard in peal again, when Arthur Pritchard, then Ringing Master of the Shropshire Association, applied for the bells for a peace celebration peal. Kent T.B. Maximus was rung, conducted by Arthur Pritchard from the 11th bell. The tenor was rung by the late John Worth

Since 1945 numerous peals have been rung at St. Chad's for different Guilds and Societies. St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham was the first visiting band to ring a peal; this was Stedman Cinques in April, 1952.

first Surprise Maximus, Yorkshire and Belgrave, on the bells was rung by the Leicester Guild, the late Harold

J. Poole taking part.

In 1962 the church purchased the old Market Hall bell, which weighed about 19 cwt. This was recast and hung in St. Chad's as a sharp second. The first peal, using this bell, was Stedman Triples on April 20th, 1963. The Bishop of Lichfield dedicated the bell the following day at 11 a.m.

To commemorate the 175th anniversary

of the dedication of the church the Ancient Society of College Youths rang a peal of Stedman Cinques, 5,175 changes, on August 19th, 1967. This was conducted and specially composed by John Chilcott for the

occasion.

On October 21st, 1967, the first 12-bell peal for the Hereford Diocesan Guild— Plain Bob Maximus — was rung by six Shropshire members and six Hereford members: the conductor was Pritchard.

On December 7th, 1968, a peal of Plain Bob Major was rung on the front eight by the Sunday service ringers, conducted by Ernest F. Willcox. This is believed to be the first peal by local ringers since 1914.

The following are the diameters, weights and inscriptions of the bells:-

Treble:

'In sweetest sound let each its note reveal; Mine shall be first to lead the dulcet peal, (1798. Recast 1914.) Diameter 2ft. 1fin. Weight 4 cwt. 3 qr. 5 lb.

"The public raised us with a liberal hand: We come with harmony to cheer the land. (1798. Recast 1907 and again in 1914.) Diameter 2ft. 3in. Weight 4 cwt. 3 qr. 25 lb.

Third:

'We'll through the air extend each generous

And float melodious down Sabrina's [stream." Recast 1914.) Diameter 2ft. 4in.

Weight 5 cwt. 1 lb.

"When female virtue weds with manly [worth:

We catch the rapture and we spread it (1798. Recast 1914.) Diameter 2ft. 51in.

Weight 5 cwt. 1 gr. 15 lb.

Fifth:

"Does battle rage? Do sanguine foes

[contend; We hail the victor if he's Britain's friend." (1798. Recast 1914.) Diameter 2ft. 71in. Weight 6 cwt. 5 lb.

Sixth:

"Here let us pause; and now with one [accord:

Salute the church triumphant in the Lord," (1798. Recast 1914.) Diameter 2ft. 9in. Weight 6 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb.

Seventh:

"May George long reign, who now the sceptre sways;

And British valour ever rule the seas." (1798. Recast 1914.) Diameter 3ft. 0\frac{1}{2}in. Weight 8 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb.

'Success attend our gallant host in arms; And glory crown the brave whom honour warms.

(1798. Recast 1837 and again in 1914.) Diameter 3ft. 4in. Weight 11 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb.

Ninth:

'May England's coasts the pride of commerce see;

And Salop's pride be always to be free." (1798. Recast 1914.) Diameter 3ft. 9in. Weight 16 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb.

'May peace remain to bless Britannia's shore:

And faction fall to raise her head no тоге.

(1798. Recast 1848 and again in 1914.) Diameter 4ft. 01in. Weight 20 cwt.

Eleventh:

'May each subscriber in these numbers live: And unions ever feel those joys they give. (1798. Recast 1914.) Diameter 4ft. 51in. Weight 28 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb.

'May all whom I shall summon to the

The blessings of a well-spent life receive. (1798. Recast 1825 and again in 1914.)
Diameter 5ft. Weight 39 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb.
Total weight; 157 cwt. 2 qr. 5 lb. The
ring is in the key of B.

Sharp Second:

"To tell passing hours was my former fame; With new note now I praise God's Holy Name."

(Cast 1962.) Diameter 2ft. 1fin. Weight 4 cwt. 3 qr. 5 lb. [Cover photograph by John Rea, Dogpole,

Shrewsbury.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION & REORGANISATION

A CHALLENGE TO MR. BOTTOMLEY AS PRESIDENT

FOR its annual general meeting on April 26th the Yorkshire Association visited the area of the Barnsley and District Society. Sixteen-, 6- and 8-bell towers were open at various times throughout the day and were visited by over 200 ringers—the large attendance being due no doubt to the fact that an election was to take place for the presidency of the Association.

The lady ringers of Penistone had volunteered for the mammoth task of preparing tea for the gathering, which together with the meeting afterwards was held in the church school at Penistone. A substantial tea, which must have necessitated starting the preparation of sandwiches early in the morning, was provided at a nominal charge.

Prior to tea a service, conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. R. Mathews, had been held in the Parish Church, and this had itself been preceded by a well-struck course of Yorkshire rung on the bells by mainly a young band drawn from all parts of the county.

THE MEETING

At the opening of the meeting the company stood in silence as a token of respect for three members who had died since the last general meeting—H. Morley (Selby), S. Steel (York), C. Moxon (Hemsworth).

After the reading and approving of the minutes Mr. Maurice Thurmott proposed a comprehensive vote of thanks to all concerned for the arrangements during the day, and responses were made by the Vicar, Mr. J. Whitehead for the local ringers and Mrs. Mathews for the ladies,

Seventeen new members were then elected to the Society, viz.: Anne Brown, Philippa Gornall and Richard Thurmott, of Bradford; Ann Walker, All Souls', Halifax; Delwyn Tidball, Horbury; Elizabeth Campbell, St. Chad's, Headingley; David Archer, Wentworth; Marianne Baker, Elizabeth Wait and Andrew Nelson, Rotherham; Frances Garfield and Elizabeth Scourfield, Silkstone; Lynn Parker and Adrian Moreton, Wakefield; Janet Walker, Wragby; Anthony Boden and Andrew Hessey, Hessle.

It was at this point that the voting took place for a president to serve for the coming three-year term of office. Mr. Vernon Bottomley, the retiring president, who had completed one term in the office, was proposed by Mr. W. F. Moreton, and Mr. Norman Chaddock, late of Rotherham and now of the East Riding, was proposed by Mr. Stuart Armeson. Vernon is well known to members all over the county from his many visits to District meetings during his term of office, whilst Norman is much appreciated for his sterling teaching work which he has carried out over many years.

As the voting was to be by ballot, three tellers were elected, and whilst counting was going on the 1968 annual report was presented

DETAILS FROM 1968 REPORT

The committee stated that the higher attendance at meetings in 1967 had been maintained at the three general meetings of 1968, approximately 80 members attending at Goole, 150 at York and 130 at Knaresborough. A large turnover of senior officers had taken place during the year, with Geoffrey Pilkington and Harold Walker being welcomed as vice-presidents of the Southern and Eastern Districts and John Seager and Barry Sullivan as secre-

taries of the Southern and Western Districts.

A total membership of the Association of 720 was reported, a substantial increase on the previous year.

The peal secretary reported that 208 tower- and 11 handbell peals had been rung for the Association during 1968; 29 members rang their first peal. Mr. C. B. Dove, of Leeds, was both the leading peal ringer and leading conductor. The total of 17 new methods rung for the Association was undoubtedly a record.

REORGANISATION RESOLUTION

The secretary then gave the following interim report of the progress of the resolution which had been put to the Association by the Leeds and District Society and which called for a reorganisation of ringing in Yorkshire

- (i) The general committee considered the resolution in great detail in February, approved of the idea of a fusion between the Association in its Western District and the Leeds and District Society, and decided to arrange a discussion of the standing sub-committee with Leeds and District representatives. A letter was sent to the other District Societies indicating the willingness of the general committee to hold similar discussions if such were desired.
- (ii) A fruitful meeting with Leeds and District representatives was held, when few problems were seen. A meeting of the Western District committee with the Leeds and District committee furthered progress and a discussion on the various suggestions is to take place at the Western District's A.G.M. on June 21st at Cleckheaton.
- (iii) The general committee will consider the matter on June 28th at its meeting in York, and it is possible that specific proposals will be made by it at the Bradford general meeting on September 20th. Members may then, of course, discuss the proposals and vote on them in January.
- (iv) The idea of having a two-tier membership and two levels of subscription has received favourable comment.
- (v) The Beverley and District Society committee asked for discussions and these were held with the standing sub-committee at Walkington. The discussions were of an exploratory nature and were most cordial.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

With Mr. Tom Cox, the vice-president of the Northern District, in the chair, the results of the voting for president were announced. Mr. Bottomley polled 103 votes, Mr. Chaddock 77, and thus Mr. Bottomley was re-elected to serve for a further term. Norman was the first to congratulate Vernon on his success and pledged his support throughout the coming term.

Thus with the presidential election completed, and a diminution of the tension which had developed in the Association over the last few weeks, the remaining election of officers was continued.

Dr. T. D. Spencer was re-elected as peal secretary, C. F. Dempster was re-elected as one auditor and I. North re-placed Billy Barton, who had served in the office for many years, as the second auditor. E. Hudson and J. Chaddock were both re-elected as representatives on the Joint Council of Yorkshire Ringing Societies.

With the closure of the meeting the company once again dispersed to all corners of the county for a further four months until the next general meeting at Bradford in September.

R.C.

GUILD OF MEDICAL RINGERS

THE spring meeting of the Guild was blessed with everything save spring sunshine. Nevertheless, the fact that screen wipers rather than sun visors obscured the green Essex countryside did not detract from the success of the proceedings. Ringing began on the mellow eight of the Priory Church of Hatfield Broad Oak, where those who had had this pleasure in earlier years noted that the unique belfry frieze of aircraft silhouettes had disappeared. It seemed to be "our day" for, encouraged by the "go" and tone of the bells, we managed without the irregularities of striking which sometimes have characterised our infrequent assemblies. and everyone was happy. Moving on to Stebbing, we maintained the same success rate, and it was here that the Guild was joined by the senior past president, Dr. P. T. Spencer-Phillips, and a distinguished past Master of the Essex Association, but very much a present ringer, as is well known.

Tea was consumed on a large scale at the home of Dr. and Mrs. L. S. Castleden, the inroads being magnified by the presence of some of the second and third generation, though the grown-ups were not visibly outdone. The members then moved over the road to the great church of Great Dunmow, and succeeded here also in putting up a good show.

The day concluded with an informal dinner, taken at the Saracen's Head. The May meeting is not a business one, but the Guild was gratified to hear from the president, who was unable to be present, that he has not been idle and has turned a gavel and block for the Guild, against any disorder at the A.G.M. on November 15th, and to hear encouraging news of another senior member, Dr. E. L. Taylor, of Lyme Regis. Good wishes were sent to both, and the Master concluded the session by expressing thanks to all who had made the meeting possible, and in particular to Dr. and Mrs. Castleden, our hosts. D. L. G.

RUTLAND RECORD REMAINS

The attempt for 13,440 Rutland Surprise Major at Barnes on May 17th was called round after 10,752 changes (before the previous record had been passed) because the tiredness of some of the band had caused the standard of striking to deteriorate below that desired for a record length,

Chester Diocesan Guild Heads Most Peals List for 1968

THE annual festival of the Chester Diocesan Guild was held at Lymm on May 10th. During the morning ringing took place at a number of towers in the area, the times of ringing being arranged so that all arrived at Lymm for a prompt start of the business meeting.

At 2.30 p.m. members assembled in the Church Hall, which was filled almost to capacity. After the Master's opening remarks, the general secretary read the apologies for absence, which included one from the Lord Bishop of Chester. Two main items were discussed under the heading of correspondence:

(1) Mrs. Moore, of Lymm, suggested that a number of hymns be printed on a leaflet for use at ringers' services because of the lack of suitable hymns in most hymn books. After some discussion it was decided on a majority vote not to adopt the suggestion.

(2) A letter of thanks from the Dean of Chester Cathedral, following the handing over of a cheque for £1,000 from the Guild earlier this year, was read.

The minutes of the last annual festival and the statement of accounts for 1968 had been circulated and were adopted as presented

Report for 1968.—The outstanding event of the year was the announcement by the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral of the scheme for a detached bell house with a ring of 13 bells and clubroom facilities. This scheme has resulted from discussions which the Guild's sub-committee had with the Dean. The Guild's secretary has spent a great deal of time on the matter in the past two years.

Losses by death were as follows: Peter Laflin, the librarian of the Beeston Library since it was presented in 1932 by the Rev. A. T. Beeston, and who had kept it up to date and provided a bookcase for it in St. George's tower. Stockport; William Kirkpatrick, of Lymm; James Peters, of Grappenhall; H. Stewart Bailey, of Port Sunlight.

Membership at present stands at: Honorary members 11 (11), Life ringing members 18 (22), ringing members 641 (633), representing 83 (87) towers (1967 figures in brackets).

Finance. — General accounts balance, £67 17s. 1d. (£77 2s. 7d.); Bell Restoration Fund balance, £316 12s. 8d. (327 8s. 11d.); Chester Cathedral Bell Fund, £788 13s. (£738 8s. 7d.).

Performances.—We believe that for the first time the Chester Guild heads the list of Guilds in the Central Council Analysis Table: 256 peals (now amended to 259) have been rung during the year, 152 on tower bells and 104 on handbells, compared with 174, 136 and 38 respectively in 1967. Those taking part were 171 resident members (161) and 75 non-resident members (75). There were 14 first pealers (29) and

69 rang their first in a new method or methods (68). There were 47 conductors (38), one of whom conducted his first peal

In memoriam peals were rung to Peter Laffin at Norbury, Great Budworth, Stoke-on-Tern. Marple (handbells), Prestbury (handbells) and Cambridge (handbells)

A peal was rung on handbells at Marple for the golden wedding of the Past Master of the Guild, Mr. A. R. Elkins and Mrs. Elkins.

Record Peals: 18,000 Cambridge Surprise Royal, 13,140 Kent Treble Bob Maximus (Cam variation) on handbells and 15,160 Oxford Treble Bob Royal (on handbells).

First peals by the Guild were: All Saints Doubles, Winchendon Place Bob Doubles, Battersea, Crewe, Havant and Melbourne Surprise Major, Swindon Surprise Royal and Spliced Surprise Royal in six methods.

On handbells the following firsts were recorded: Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Rutland and London Surprise Major, Spliced Surprise Major in six methods, Yorkshire Surprise Royal, Spliced Surprise Royal in four methods, Little Bob Maximus and Oxford Treble Bob Maximus.

"Quickest peal on the bells."—The claims were due in a large degree to the change in the style of ringing; it would be more desirable, however, if the aim were "Best peal on the bells". "We should at all times be conscious of the fact that we practise our art at the expense of and with the tolerance of the local inhabitants and should ensure that our ringing is as good as we can make it."

A vote of thanks was given to the report secretary for preparing the report, particularly as he had been involved in changing his job during the last 12 months. Thanks were also extended to Mr. Alan A. Potts and his helpers who produced the report each year merely for the cost of materials.

Election of Officers. — There were no changes this year (although each office was considered separately). They are: Master, Mr. Alexander Martin; secretary and treasurer, Mr. Henry O. Baker; report secretary, Mr. C. Kenneth Lewis; peal recorder, Mrs. C. Kenneth Lewis; librarian, Mr. Arthur Whiting; auditor, Mr. Sam Jones. For the first time the two Central Council representatives (other than the Master and general secretary) were elected at the festival. Mr. Basil Jones and Mr. Denis Mottershead were elected without a ballot.

Looking ahead. — The general secretary gave particulars of the annual dinner to be held on October 11th at Mollington (tickets 30/-). The meeting decided to provide a Master's badge, at a cost of £82, to be inscribed with the name of the late Master, Mr. John Worth. The annual festival will be held in the Crewe Branch, centred on Nantwich, on the second Saturday in May.

The Vicar of Lymm conducted the service and the address was given by the Vicar of Rostherne. An enjoyable tea was pro-

vided by Mrs. Moore and her helpers, and at the Master's request a touch of Spliced Surprise Major in five methods was rung "in hand". The Lymm ringers were thanked for their hospitality before members dispersed for evening ringing.

NATIONAL POLICE GUILD

The first District A.G.M. of the "new look" Police Guild was held by the South Eastern District in the East End of London on April 26th. St. Dunstan's, Stepney (10), was a popular meeting place for officers from the Home Counties and Metropolis and good use was made of the bells before a party of 30 adjourned to Moyland House, to be welcomed by Ch. Supt. Magges of "H" Division and to enjoy an excellent lunch.

Ch. Supt. R. Hagley, of the Surrey Constabulary, a very able and popular District Master. welcomed members and especially Mr. George Cousins, the Guild president, who had travelled from Ross-on-Wye and who is doing much to stimulate Guild interest. He thanked Commander Linge, a Guild member, for his interest and support and paid special tribute to P.C. Peter Shonk, the District secretary, for the way in which he had maintained contact with members over a wide area.

District officers were re-elected unanimously. These included Mr. George Amor, of Bedford, committee member. The new Guild badge was officially on sale for the first time. Provisional arrangements were made for future meetings in Buckinghamshire in June, Essex in September, South London in November and the 1970 annual District meeting in North London on April 25th.

C. E. W.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

Witney and Woodstock Branch held its annual meeting at Yarnton on April 26th, where the Vicar (Rev. A. C. Adcock) conducted the service.

Officers elected at the meeting were: Chairman, Rev. P. Wilkins; vice-chairman, E. D. Patching; secretary, E. R. Venn; treasurer, R. J. Rouse; Ringing Master, N. I. Bridges.

Among matters discussed was the Guild annual report. The secretary asked members, on behalf of the Guild, to consider whether the report did what it was supposed to do and whether it was really necessary to print peal reports in the publication. Mr. P. Walker, the report editor, gave a short account of how expensive it was to produce. A questionnaire was handed out with the new report.

Votes of thanks were passed to all who had helped to make the meeting a success, especially Mr. J. H. Green, local captain. Evening ringing was at Yarnton and Kidlington. All enquiries about the Branch should be addressed to the secretary, Kimberley, Wootton, Woodstock, Oxford, OX7

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NEW ELECTRIC OR HAND-WOUND

EXISTING HAND-WOUND CLOCKS CONVERTED TO ELECTRIC DRIVE

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Lincoln Guild Passes 10/- Subscription

MR. JACK MILLHOUSE NEW GENERAL SECRETARY

Saturday, April 26th, known in Lincolnshire as April Fair Saturday, saw the 69th annual general meeting of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild. In view of Mr. John Freeman's nomination as President of the Central Council, a new secretary/treasurer was necessary and Mr. J. L. Millhouse was appointed to the office. The day started with Holy Communion at the Ringers' Chapel at the Cathedral, ringers attending from several Branches.

Later in the morning ringing took place at Eagle, Swinderby, Bassingham and Norton Desney. Afternoon and evening ringing was at the Cathedral and at city churches. The service at the Cathedral at 4.15 was conducted by the new Dean, the Very Rev. O. Twisleton-Wykeham-Fiennes, who warmly welcomed the 150 ringers present. The A.G.M. followed tea in the Tithe Barn, and although the Dean joined the company he was unable to stay to the meeting. Mr. Jack Bray was accordingly elected to the chair.

In the annual report Mr. John Freeman reported the year's activities. Ringing schools were held at Billingborough, Welbourn and Lea, and a course of changeringing on handbells was held at North Hykeham Evening Institute. These had all been well supported and of great assistance to Guild members. At Lincoln Bishop's Hostel Theological College Rev. Michael Freeman had lectured the students on the

art of ringing.

SUBSCRIPTION INCREASE

A sub-committee elected from all branches had met to discuss the general finances of the Guild and the cost of printing the report. Members had generally desired that the report should be kept in its present form, and from their meetings the sub-committee concluded that at the A.G.M. serious thought should be given to increasing the subscription to 10s, per year. The Master reported that although Guild

The Master reported that although Guild peals were the lowest by far since the war, it appeared that quality was maintained.



MR. JACK MILLHOUSE

The Guild and Branch accounts almost all showed reduced balances. The report and accounts were adopted and the election of 20 non-resident life members was confirmed. Officers were elected as follows: President, the Dean of Lincoln; hon. secretary and treasurer, J. L. Millhouse; Master, J. Bray; hon. peal secretary, E. T. Chapman; librarian, R. F. Smith; hon. auditors, J. Walden and W. Tomlinson; representative on diocesan advisory committee, J. Freeman: Following Mr. Freeman's election as President of the Central Council the following were elected by ballot as C.C. members: J. Bray, G. E. Feirn, J. L. Millhouse and P. Reynolds, the latter for two years as Mr. Freeman had served for one year.

Much discussion followed on the motion to increase the annual subscription to 10/-, but after two amendments were heavily defeated the motion was carried by a large

majority.

REDUNDANCY

Notice was brought to the meeting that 58 churches containing 299 bells in the diocese were to become redundant. It behoved the Guild to keep a watchful eye on these bells and endeavour to save them from being sold for scrap. It was decided that the faculty committee representative should be a member of the general committee.

Members were informed that the 70th anniversary dinner was to be held on Saturday, September 27th, the Guild festival in the Central Branch on June 28th and one-day ringing courses on October 11th and 25th in the North and West Lindsey Branches respectively.

Votes of thanks were passed to Mr. J. Freeman for his eight years' work as hon. secretary and treasurer, and to Mr. H. Ruddy for his work with one-day courses. Mr. V. Evans presented the new treasurer with a cheque for Guild funds from the sale of ringers' car badges.

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The incumbents were thanked for the use of their bells, and also those who had assisted in arrangements for the meeting

and tea.

Message to Joint Committee - Avoid Trivialities

Dear Sir,-Referring to the Joint Committee's Report on Decisions, published in the "R.W." of April 25th, I wonder what is really the point of all these rules and regulations. Why should the Central Council wish to dictate, or even suggest, what should and what should not be rung? The old rules as published in the Handbook were more restrictive than those at present proposed, so they began to be ignored. Singles in Surprise methods came into favour and irregular Minor methods have been widely practised, so now a set of new rules is proposed which allows for these cases, but where is there scope for further development? The general message of the new rules seems to be that we can continue to ring as we have done in the past, but we must not try anything very different in the future. Surely it would be more reasonable to lay down a few general guiding prin-ciples and to do away with all these trivialities concerning method construction, leaving the choice to the discretion of the ringers concerned. After all, who can forecast what will come into vogue during the next ten or 15 years?

It is strange that these rules do not mention the musical qualities of methods or compositions, being content to leave this to individual choice. One might have expected something concerning peal compositions which plod through all kinds of rubbish in order to achieve a hundred and odd combination roll-ups. (Incidentally, those people who consider c.r.u.'s to be all-important can have them continually by the simple expedient of ringing call-changes.)

Looking at a few particular points, taken at random, it would seem, from my reading of the rules, that peals of Spliced containing Bristol with 6th place bobs and other methods with 4ths place bobs will not be acceptable, since it is clearly stated on the one hand that the bob is not part of the method, but on the other that only one type of bob may be used in one composition. In any case, Spliced Surprise aside, what logical reason can there be for this restriction to one type of bob? It is probable that only on the rarest occasions would anyone wish to use two or more types of bob, but this is no reason for imposing a complete ban.

A number of provisions are made to accommodate standard practice which would otherwise be upset by the rules, e.g., that dealing with calls in principles, obviously designed to protect Stedman, and the fiddling about with rules for classes of plain methods, part of this presumably being aimed directly at Double Norwich. These, and a variety of other points, show up the fallacy of attempting to particularise instead of sticking to the broad general principles.

Dropping the name "Exercise" for a certain class of T.B. method is a tentative step

in the right direction. Dropping "Surprise" and "Delight" would have taken the process to its logical conclusion, the name "Surprise" having little more than snob value. Drastic simplification in the case of plain methods would not have been out of place. Where is the connection between a "Court" method?

In the case of Minimus, why should changes be rung in true blocks of 24? Oxford T.B., which is as good as any other Minimus method, has each change row twice in its plain course, and so it is not acceptable under these rules!

I could go on at length picking out odd cases like these, and all would point to the same conclusion, namely that rules, if any, should be confined to generalisations and should be as far as possible unrestrictive, aimed only at producing a reasonable degree of standardisation, for instance in method naming.

I would suggest that the Central Council should at least postpone making a final decision until the 1970 meeting in order to give the Exercise time to mull over the situation and decide for itself whether it wishes to be engulfed in what threatens to become an extension of the bureaucratic State.—Yours faithfully.

NEIL D. LOMAS.

Wilmslow, Cheshire.

Letters to the Editor

TRUMPINGTON-A MISUNDERSTANDING

Dear Sir,—In reply to my letter in the "R.W." about "Tower-grabbing at Trumpington", I must say that this was a complete misunderstanding. The band in queshad obtained permission previously and had told the tower captain, but the message did not reach her in time.

May I extend my deepest regret that the band have been unjustly accused of "tower-grabbing", but may I also point out that this does exist—no one will deny it—and that from this we should learn that we must never do in other people's towers what we would never do in our own—no matter how good ringers we are.—Yours, etc.,

MARTIN R. KITSON. etc., Trumpington.

PRACTICES IN TRUMPINGTON AREA

Dear Sir,-As a friend of Martin Kitson, of Trumpington, may I endorse what he says in his recent letter. I have been ringing for nearly nine years but I have come to the same conclusion as he: if you cannot ring Spliced Surprise vou are not very welcome at the advanced practice at Trumpington on Tuesdays. One of the local band went one night and was given very black looks when she asked if she could have some Stedman!

There is, however, a more simple practice on Wednesdays which is attended by less expert and mostly younger ringers and where everyone is made very welcome. It is seldom attended by any of the Tuesday band, a few of whom seem to think that bells were hung for ringing peals and who do not all ring regularly on Sundays,

One of those who does ring on Sundays once remarked about all the time he spends "bashing about" helping learners. quite pleased he was doing this, until I realised he was grumbling about helping his own learners, in his own tower, on his own practice night!

In my District there is, thanks to a vigorous few, quite a lot of help given to beginners and Surprise experts, but little encouragement to those in between who make up the bulk of Sunday service ringers.

—Yours sincerely,

A. D. LILLEY.

Ickleton, Cambs.

TOWER-GRABBING DOGS

Dear Sir,-I was interested to read in the issue of May 2nd about Judy, of Pinxton; but she is not the only tower-grabbing dog. My late pal, Mischief, between 1952 and 1963 accompanied me to over 1,000 towers. Among the many meetings which she attended was one at Stroud on December 20th, 1952, when business proceedings in the Church Room were suspended for a few moments to enable her to chase and catch an errant mouse. Her predecessors, Peggy (1936/38) and Biddy (1945/52), also went on numerous ringing outings.—Yours sincerely, E. T. PAUL FIELD. sincerely,

Stoke-sub-Hamdon,

Somerset.

LOCALS CLAIM FOR FIRST ON BELLS

Dear Sir, - Whilst I understand E. R. Heatley et al, of Penmark, must have suffered a degree of frustration by being de-prived of the chance of ringing the first peal on their bells, I do not sympathise with their attitude.

For many years it was an ambition of the Wareham locals to ring an 8-bell peal. After many attempts this was accomplished. However, we did not refuse permission to other bands because we could not score a peal of our own. There were some 20 peals on the bells before ours.

I think that so long as factors such as noise do not prohibit long ringing periods local bands should encourage full use and appreciation of their bells.

There are some ringers—we have one in Dorset — who are quite prepared to ring peals and quarter peals at other towers yet when they receive a request for their bells a flat "No" is the answer. is the answer.

I suggest that any peal by a local band is a fine achievement and that no matter how many peals are rung on the bells by others beforehand there is no detraction from the performance whatsoever. Students of the peal columns take greater note of "Firsts by local bands" than "Firsts on bells" footnotes; at least, I do.—Yours faithfully,

GRAHAM W. ELMES. Wareham, Dorset.

RINGING AND ALLIED INTERESTS

Dear Sir, — During the ten years or so that I have been ringing I have made many good friends and met many interesting people from all walks of life. Recently an intriguing set of coincidences has come to light and I am wondering if other ringers have experienced similar discoveries.

As well as being keenly interested in most aspects of ringing I am also a lover of steam engines, railways in general and the English canals. Two of my ringing colleagues, John Nixon and David Marsden, both of Leyland, are also keenly interested in railways and canals. Another great friend and ringer, the Rev. William G. Wilson, of Hollinwood, Oldham, is also a renowned railway enthusiast.

The strange thing about this sharing of interests is that it is only ringing that has brought us together-none of us previously came into contact whilst enjoying the other pursuits.

It is also interesting to note that the late Sir A. Percival Heywood was also a great railway enthusiast, even to the extent of having a narrow gauge railway in the grounds of his residence.

The fact that there has been a Railwaymen's Guild in existence for many years now must surely be indicative of the curious fact that somewhere along the line (excuse the pun) there is a natural tendency for these two truly traditional facets of English life to go hand in glove.—Yours, etc.,

DONALD G. LAWSON. Leyland, Lancs.

both by providing morning Sunday service ringing (after ringing at their home tower) and by helping at the practices. At these practices he usually had all four members to assist him and only one other ringer would have been required to complete a Cambridge band. We wonder what further help was envisaged by Mr. Knight for

MORE ABOUT GOSPEL OAK

Dear Sir,—In Mr. Knight's letter appearing in "The Ringing World" of May 16th, he states: ". . . I had been promised the support of the Association." Again, in the

report of the A.G.M. of the Middlesex Association, he is reported as saying that

In the period of less than a year in

which he was training learners at Gospel Oak, the help he received was from four

members of the Association, who assisted

he wanted help in training.

training learners to ring rounds and call-We would also like to add that. on occasions, the Sunday service band was completed by a general officer of the Association.

We are sorry that Mr. Knight found our help of so little use.—Yours faithfully,

BRIAN WATSON. DOROTHEA ROBOTHAM.

London, N.

SURPRISE ROYAL COMPOSITIONS

Dear Sir,-I append two compositions of Surprise Royal. I should be interested to know why the Joint Committee recommends that only one of these should be recognised as a peal.—Yours faithfully,

CHRISTOPHER I. ROWSON. Edgbaston, Birmingham.

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CHURCH BELLS REDUCE RATES

A Mildenhall, Suffolk, man told the Mildenhall Valuation Court on May 12th that he and his wife shouted at each other on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings to make themselves heard above the noise of the bells being rung at the church 75 yards from their flat. After visiting the flat, the court reduced the assessment from £180 to £125 and the rateable value from £130 to £86.

BELL ROPES IOHN NICOLL

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Letters—continued

IRREGULAR MINOR METHODS

Dear Sir,-Once again my namesake is first in the field among the critics of the methods rung at Longparish and named by the conductor with names of his own choosing of towers in the Guild's area.

His objections to the methods are his own personal views, as were the Plain Bob variations rung to Major and named Hunslet, Kirkgate, Canterbury Pleasure and Aldermaston, with places substituted for dodges in all places where dodging occurs. The same type of thing has been done with most of the Surprise methods to add easy variations without learning something new, and to my mind makes ringing more interesting even though in most cases they do not add to the musical quality.

This has all been said before, but what is new is names in relation to Major methods. In the same issue as his letter is a peal of Single Oxford Minor reported as Oxford Bob, also what is rung as Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Minor becomes Canterbury Pleasure when rung to Major.

Then we have ringers like another old friend, Brian Mills, who when they ring an old method have to change its name. Both King Edward and Queen Victoria, oldestablished names, had to be changed when rung to splice. Fortunately we re-established the names when we rang full peals in both methods and now King Edward is becoming increasingly popular.

Why should Steeple Delight, bearing this name since 1883, have to be saddled with such an uninteresting name as Blidworth? suggest, if Brian wants to keep the name he rings, a full 720 of it in one of his peals.

Now that Frank Blagrove has attempted to unravel the Doubles tangle, I suggest he tries to get the Minor names sorted out. Harold Chart has already published most of the old names and Cyril Wratten is doing his bit by introducing a few more old ones in his article on "Crown Bob".-Yours sincerely,
GEOFFREY K. DODD.

Highclere, Hants.

RINGWOOD BEST STRIKERS IN W. and P. GUILD

The need for strength being placed on the treble and experience on the tenor to keep a good, steady beat was stressed by Mr. F. E. Darby when he judged the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild's striking competition at East Tytherley on May 10th. A record entry of 12 bands from five Districts was received for the Alliston

Placings were: 1 Ringwood, 24 faults; Highelere, 31; 3 Winchester Cathedral 45. Others competing: Alton, Bishopstoke, Buriton, Eling "A", Eling "B", Fareham. Kingsclere, North Stoneham and Petersfield

Mrs. Darby presented the cup to Mr. W. E. Cheater (captain at Ringwood) and Mr. R. S. Savory (Guild Master) certificates to the captains of the first three bands.

RAILWAYMEN'S GUILD AT PENZANCE

Superlative was certainly the prefix to the arrangements by Mr. Sid Foskett at the A.G.M. at Penzance for the week ending May 11th. Three towers were open on the Friday, and Saturday's programme included six towers — Ludgvan (6), Phillack (8), Lelant (6), Carbis Bay (10), Madron (8) and Gulval (8). All were ready for a meat tea at 34, Market Jew Street, Penzance.

The Master, Mr. Jack N. Brown, presided at the business meeting which followed; the principal guests being Mr. S. G. Martin (secretary, Joint Committee, British Railway Staff) and Mr. A. J. Davidson (secretary, Truro Diocesan Guild).

It was agreed, as several members had asked for a badge, that Mr. Martin would make enquiries as to cost and design and inform the hon, secretary. An important announcement by Mr. Martin was that membership of the Guild and B.R.S.A. was now open to those in the transport industry.

Officers elected were: Master, Mr. Jack W. Brown; regional Masters — Messrs, W. B. Kynaston, Western; C. A. Bassett, Southern; S. Foskett, London Midland; F. A. Staveley, Eastern. C.C. representative, E. Franklin; hon. secretary, J. A. Hoare; auditors, J. Brough and F. R. Morton.

The 1970 A.G.M. will be held at Guildford, and Northampton will be the venue of the autumn meeting.

Mr. S. Fossey proposed the vote of thanks, including Mr. Sid Foskett for the arrangements and Messrs. J. N. Brown, S. Martin and the hon. secretary. Mr. W. B. Kynaston supported the vote.

Those who stayed over Sunday visited Camborne and Gulval in the morning and Truro Cathedral and Helston in the even-

ESSEX ASSOCIATION

South Eastern Striking Competition

Although it was disappointing to the organisers that only four towers were sufficiently interested to enter for the District striking competition, it was encouraging to see over 50 members and friends at Tollesbury on May 10th, in spite of the unplea-

The striking competition was held in the afternoon, and after a rousing service, conducted by the Vicar, with Mrs. Lewis at the organ, tea was taken in the Parish Hall, prepared by ladies of the local band. The judges, Messrs. R. Lindsell and A. Syder. of Braintree, then announced the results, as follows: Terling 90 faults, Chelmsford 127, Sandon 145 and Danbury 159. Terling and Chelmsford will represent the District at the Association final at Stanford-le-Hope.

At the business meeting the following new members were elected: Sheila and Sammy Mark, Wendy Palmer (Terling), Brian Reeves (Chelmsford) and Rev. David Moir (Danbury). Mr. P. W. Saltmarsh thanked the Vicar, the organist and Mr. Leavett and his helpers for their excellent arrangements. R. J. H.

MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD A.G.M.

The Midland Counties Guild held one of its best-attended A.G.M.s at Burton on May 10th. The Guild service was held at St. Modwen's Church, conducted by the Vicar. Rev. W. V. G. Griffiths, as vice-president of the Guild for the last time, as he is leaving for Little Aston, Sutton Coldfield, shortly.

Mr. Benjamin Worthington, president, had travelled from Northumberland to preside. In his address he said there were three purposes the Guild should keep be-fore them: firstly, service to the Church, particularly in the maintenance and improvement of Sunday service ringing; secondly, the "professional" side, the ringing of peals, the aim of most competent ringers, which in turn improved the standard of normal ringing. The Guild had done well during 1968 to ring 40 such peals, four more than the previous year.

Thirdly, the social side, good outings and the more recent innovation of an annual dinner-which he hoped would continue and prosper—to name two examples. Mr. Worthington was happy to see a good number of young ringers, both at the Winshill ringing before tea and at the meeting, which augured well for the future.

Mr. Joseph W. Cotton, hon, secretary since the formation of the Guild 23 years ago, reported 19 new members, bringing the total to 16 honorary and 136 ringing. The new ring of eight at Kingsbury would be opened on June 28th.

Forty peals had been rung, the leading ringer being the hon. secretary with 35, bringing his total for the Guild to 641 out of a grand total of over twice that number. Leading conductor was D. P. Jones with

Mr. A. E. Rowley was elected vice-president in the place of the Rev. W. V. G. Griffiths, and Mr. G. Brown auditor vice Mr. Tom Pryce, who was retiring to Worthing, having held the office since 1946 with the foundation of the Guild. The other officers were re-elected.

Mesdames Dann, Brown and Hair were thanked for the excellent tea, for which no charge was made, and ringing at St. Modwen's in the evening was under the guidance of Mr. Gordon Lane, Ringing Master.

MANCROFT WIN BY ONE POINT

Eight teams competed for the Northern District striking competition at Wroxham under appalling weather conditions. The judge. Mr. Martin L. Howe, in summing up said the pouring rain on to the roof of his car had not made his job easy. The order of the change-ringing bands was: 1 Mancroft, 2 St. Giles', 3 St. George's. One point separated the first and second.

The chairman, Mr. G. Sayer, thanked the Vicar for conducting the service, the judge, Peter Bower, and the local ringers and their wives.

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WOODBOROUGH, NOTTS. - On March 29th, 2,520 Pl. Bob Minimus: J. D. Scott 1, S. E. Richards 2. D. W. Flower 3. P. L. R. Hayward (cond.) 4. First half peal by all. For the 160th anniversary of the birth of Henry Johnson.

BARNES, LONDON,-On March 8th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Elizabeth Bangham 1, J. Ketteringham 2, Caroline Madge 3, Ruby Myllys 4, A. Bagworth 5, M. Bangham (cond.) 6, G. Bridges 7, N. Thomson 8.

BARROW GURNEY, SOM .- On May 10th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. E. Newman (first Stedman T.) 1, C. Hawkins 2, A. F. Lee 3, A. Swatton 4, P. Hardwick 5, P. J. Devrell 6, G. J. Hawk (cond.) 7, B. Sarll 8. A 21st birthday compliment to ringer of sixth

BARROWBY, LINCS .- On May 4th, 1,296 Kent T.B. Minor: T. Relf 1, W Dale 2, F. Pinchbeck 3, B. Buttery 4, L. Squires 5, J. H. Bluff (cond.) 6. For evening service and to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the oldest branch of the British Legion,

BASILDON, ESSEX .- On Jan. 30th, 1,260 Pl. Bob Doubles ("in hand"): G. Gray 1-2, G. Lucas (cond.) Elliott (first quarter) 5-6, Also on March 19th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles ("in hand"): G. Mason (first on a working pair) 1-2, G. Lucas (cond.) 3-4, P. Cammiade (first quarter) 5-6. Also on March 27th, 1,320 Pl. Bob Doubles ("in hand"): T. Gibbs (first on a working pair) 1-2, G. Lucas (cond.) 3-4. Cammiade 5-6. All by the Barstable School Society of Change Ringers.

BATHAMPTON, BATH. — On May 5th, 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: Angela Driscoll (first quarter) 1, A. F. Lee (cond.) 2, Jean Lee 3, Patricia Goulay 4, P. J. Devrell 5, K. G. Weeks (first quarter) 6. farewell to the ringer of 1 and her father. Patrick Driscoll, both local ringers, who are leaving

BATHEASTON, SOM. - On April 29th, Grandsire Triples: P. J. Devrell 1, Beatrice M. W. Dobbie 2, Jane M. Dennis 3, J. E. Newman (cond.) 4. H. D. Taylor 5, B. Sarll (first Triples "inside")
6. P. M. Gilea 7, S. J. Townsend (first quarter) 8,
To mark the birth of Gregory Mark Mortimer, grandson of Preb. R. A. Evans, Rector.

BERRINGTON, SHROPSHIRE.—On April 24th,

1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob, April Day, Grandsire): Irene E. Allmand 1, Janet B. Rowney 2, A. M. Glover 3, C. H. Allmand 4, W H. Lloyd (cond.) K. Rowney 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of "Dai" Williams (Condover), an ex-ringer,

BISHOP'S CLEEVE, GLOS. — On April 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Patricia M Baker (first quarter) 1, Margery A. Wratten 2, F. G. Norden
3 E. T. Newbury 4, C. A. Wratten (cond.) 5, P.
Baker 6, W. A. Farmer 7, W. Newman 8. A
golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. J. G. G. Norden Baker, grandparents of 1st ringer and parents of

BOURNEMOUTH, HANTS.-On May 11th, at St. Peter's Church, 1.280 Plain Bob Major: Dale 1, E. Booth 2, Mrs. F. J. Marshallsay 3, Kathleen Fletcher 4, R. Philpott 5, R. Pike 6, C. Conay 7, D. Grimwood (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

BUSHBURY, STAFFS. — On April 28th, 1,260

Doubles (five m/v): S. W. Illidge 1, Gillian Bos-Doubles (five m/vr. S. W. Iniage 1, Gillian Bos-worth-Smith 2, S. G. Pick (cond.) 3, P. R. Johnson 4, C. Bainham 5, Hilary Windsor (first quarter) 6, CADBURY, DEVON.—On April 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: F. S. Down 1, W. J. Ransom

2, H. Ransom 3, C. Barnes 4, R. Trickey (cond.)

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CADLEIGH, DEVON. — On April 23rd, 1,260
Grandsire Doublea: F. S. Down 1, W. J. Ransom
2, H. Ransom 3, R. Trickey 4, C. Barnes (cond.)
5. W. Ware 6,
CALVERLEY, YORKS.—On May 2nd, 1,440 Pl.

Bob Minor: Penny Glover I, Margaret Reddish 2, Stella G. Cousen 3, Joan M. Dawson 4, W. Lee 5, A. C. Driver 6, P. M. Dawson (cond., cover). To congratulate Leeds United, Football League champions,

CANTERBURY, KENT. - At Sc. Church, on May 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss F. Pollard 1, J. Stockbridge 2, Mrs. G. Stockbridge 3, Miss F. Templeman 4, J. Drage 5, D. Cawley (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled following the funeral

of the Vicar, Canon A. L. Lawler.
COLCHESTER (Shrah Ead), ESSEX. — On May 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: D. Whent 1, A. Gibbons 2, C. Andrews 3, P. Schaffe 4, D. Cobb (cond.) 5, C. Coulson 6. First "inside" 2, 3. For **OUARTER PEALS**

CLARE, SUFFOLK .- On May 7th, 1,260 Pl. Bob Triples: Margaret Nock 1, Jennifer Garwood (first "inside") 2, J. Mayle 3, P. Mayle 4, F. Gilbert 5, W. Perry 6, S. Twitchett (cond.) 7, I. Ellingham 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of the Vicar (Rev. Horden), interred this day.

COUNTESTHORPE, LEICS.—On April 30th, 1,440 Pl. Bob Minor: Gill E. Thomas 1, Ann H. Whaley 2, R. T. Wakefield 3, A. J. Harrison 4, D. R. L. Jones 5, D. G. Massey 6, Rung by the Leicester University Society for the engagement of

hristine Kershaw and Roy Bateman.

DAMERHAM, HANTS.—On April 23rd, 1,320 St. George and Dragon Doubles: Catherine A. Roberts 1, L. D. Smith 2, Susan V. Banks 3, A. J. Mason 4, D. C. Jackson (cond.) 5, J. C. Banks 6, George's Day

DEWSBURY, YORKS.—On May 11th, 1,264 Pl. Bob Major: Mrs. J Bottomley 1, Miss S. Roberts 2, Miss A. Thompson 3, J. Ineson 4, V. Bottomley 5, K. Ineson 6, J. Wightman (cond.) 7, D. Carruthers 8. For united service in Christian Aid

EALING, MIDDX.—At St. Mary's Church, on May 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Sybil Aldridge 1, M. Sprackling 2, A. M. Stacey (cond.) 3, Jennifer Pearce 4, A. H. Fulwell 5, P. N. Felton 6, W. G. Wilson 7, N. F. Felton 8, For morning service, EAST BEDFONT, MIDDX.—On April 19th, 1,260

Minor (Cambridge, Plain Bob): E. Morris 1, Elizabeth Bangham 2, Anne Horsford 3, P. Bevington 4, M. Bangham (cond.) 5, M. Hiller 6. For the marriage of Sheila Seaton and Maurice Davies, both ringers at this church.

EAST MEON, HANTS. - On May 7th, 1,260 Doubles (seven meth./var.): Sally Stacey 1, R.
Tipper 2, Carol Stacey (50th quarter) 3, D.
Hatherly 4, B. Walton (cond.) 5, K. Tipper 6.

FORNHAM ST. MARTIN, SUFFOLK. - On April 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. G. Burnstead 1, B. R. Wells 2, T. H. Jones 3, Sally E. V. Potter 4. C. R. Nunn 5, B. E. Whiting (cond.) 6. First of Minor 1 and 3.

KENSINGTON, LONDON.—On May 4th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: M. E. Powell 1, R. Cotton 2, J. Rea 3, J. E. Udall 4, S. Darvill 5, R. Overington 6, A. F. Udall (cond.) 7, D. Woodward 8, For

Evensong

KIBWORTH, LEICS.—On May 11th, 1,440 Pl. Bob Minor: G. Brodie 1, S. Ilifle 2, Beverley Burrows 3, T. Iliffe 4, Hazel Nichols 5, E. G. Slater (first Minor as cond.) 6. First Minor 1, 2, 3, 4.

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LEIGH, near WORCESTER. - On May 11th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. E. Brookes (first quarter) 1, Christina Bouldin 2, R. Rowe 3, J. Clements (cond.) 4, T. W. Lewis 5, C. H. Deakin 6. For Rosstian Sunday

MADELEY, SALOP.-On April 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: S. W. Illidge 1, S. G. Pick 2, R. Newton 3, C. Bainham 4, Gillian Bosworth-Smith 5, P. Johnson (cond.) 6, E. F. Wilcox 7, A. Molinoli 8.

OWSLEBURY, HANTS. -- On May 5th, 1,260 Doubles (15 methods): J. W. Manndrell 1, R. J. Bavin 2, Katharine Maundrell 3, R. W. T. Slack 4, A. J. Mason (cond.) 5, A. M. Donaldson 6. Most methods to a quarter 2, 3, 4. Rung by the Winchester College Society.

PETERSFIELD, HANTS .- On May 11th, 1,260 Pl. Bob Triples: Sally Stacey 1, Maureen Tipper (first of Stacey 5, A. Betsworth 6, B. Walton (cond.) 7, R. Cross 8. For Evensong, and to mark the start of Christian Aid Week.

PILTON, SOM, - On May 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Hull 1, Miss V. Frewin (first of Minor) 2, M. Whiteley 3, V. Roberts 4, Miss S. Hallett 5, G. Salmon (cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to Stanley

PINHOE, DEVON.—On May 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: F. S. Down 1, C. Barnes 2, W. J. Ransom 3, H. Ransom 4, R. Trickey (cond.) 5, W. Ware 6.

PIRBRIGHT, SURREY .-- On May 3rd, 1,260 Minor (Cambridge, Plain Bob): E. J. Futcher 1, P. J. Munday 2, Felicity Hamilton 3, D. P. Elsmore 4, T. Skilton 5, A. D. Elsmore (cond.) 6.

POLITIMORE, DEVON.—On May 7th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. Ware I. W. J. Ransom 2. H. Ransom 3. R. Trickey 4. C. Barnes (cond.) 5. F. S. Down 6

PORTSMOUTH, HANTS .- At the Cathedral on May 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Marion Wheeler 1. Mary Succliffe 2. Mrs. E. Jones 3, A. A. J. Bus-well 4, Jennifer Quaife 5, W. Willans 6. Conducting shared by all the band. A birthday compliment to Barry Fry. Also on same day, 1,260 Bob Minor: Marion Wheeler (first Minor) 1, Mary Sutcliffe 2, Jennifer Quaife 3, A. A. J. Buswell 4, W. Willans (cond.) 5, S. T. Kirby 6.

RACKENFORD, DEVON. -- On May 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Bellamy 1, W. J. Ransom 2, H. Ransom 3, J. M. M. Blanch 4, C. G. Barnes (cond.) 5, W. Ware 6,

RAINHAM, KENT.—On May 2nd, 1.260 Grand-Triples: Mrs. F. J. Cheal 1, N. Jackson 2, Miss Wood 3, Miss H. M. Carter 4, R. Johnson (cond.) 5, F. J. Cheal 6, N. Crane 7, K. D. Williamson 8. First Triples "inside" 2, 4. Birthday congratulations to Mrs. F. J. Cheal and Miss Irene J. Carter.

SILSOE, BEDS.—On May 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. Catlin 1, D. T. Andrews (first "inside") 2. T. P. Harris (cond.) 3, M. F. Mitchell 4, A. Wheeler T. R. Harris 6.

STAFFORD. — On May 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: F. R. Wiggin 1, R. A. Partridge 2, E. R. Fairbrother 3, N. Holland 4, R. K. Mowforth 5, P. J. Evans 6, R. J. Warrilow 7, A. E. Garbett 8, Beech (cond.) 9, E. Malin 10, on May 11th, 1,250 Cambridge Surprise Major: K. Daniels 1, F. Beech 2, Ruth A. E. Fairbrother 3. Margaret A. Swain 4, R. A. Partridge 5, R. J. Warrillow 6, P. J. Evans 7, E. R. Fairbrother (cond.) 8.

WAREHAM, DORSET -- On May 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples (Holt's Original): M., J. Dew (first on eight) 1, Miss M. E. Elmes 2, L. H. Pink 3, Dr. C. T. Brown 4, G. W. Elmes 5, R. G. W. Robertson P. R. Keough 7, T. F. Collins (cond.) 8. For

WESTHOUGHTON, LANCS.—On May 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Jolley 1, F. W. Brownlow 2. Kathleen Higginson (first quarter, aged 13) 3, R Lister 4, A. J. Illingworth 5, J. E. Andrews (cond.) 6. WHICKHAM, CO. DURHAM -- On May 4th. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: T. Ford (first quarter) 1. Miss B. Cooke 2, J. Crowther 3), C. D. Davis 4, P. D. Thomas 5, W. Davidson (cond.) 6, For Evensong.

OBITUARY DEATH OF MRS. FRANK HAIRS

The last lady member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, Mrs. Elsie L. Hairs, wife of Mr. Frank I. Hairs, of Norman Cottage, Park Corner, Groombridge, Tunbridge Wells, died on May 20th, aged 76. Recently Mrs. Hairs had a fall in her bathroom and fractured her ribs and had other injuries. This was followed by shock which was very persistent although there was a general improvement.

Mrs. Hairs was the daughter of Mr. Frank Bennett, "a 1,000 peal ringer," who died in 1957. She mastered the art of handbell ringing at an early age, and she had rung some 75 handbell peals, including six of Stedman Cinques, before learning to ring tower bells. Her peal total was about 320. In 1923 she was the first lady to ring a peal of Surprise "in hand" and she was also the first lady to take part in a peal of Cambridge Maximus.

On the occasion of their golden wedding anniversary on January 15th, 1966, Mrs. Hairs repeated a performance which she did with Mr. Hairs on her wedding day at Guildford 50 years previously, in taking part in a handbell peal of Stedman Caters. In the rejoicings for the golden wedding two tower bell peals were rung by old friends at Withyham and Tunbridge Wells and some 50 friends were entertained to dinner.

Mrs. Hairs had led a busy life. She was a founder member of the Ladies' Guild and for some years was secretary of the Central District. She had a close association with the Sussex Association, of which her husband was Master for many years and he represented that Association on the Central Council from 1919-1950, when honorary membership was conferred on him. She was peal secretary for many years and during that time wrote up the Association's peal book. In latter years she had been secretary of the Northern District, retiring about three years ago. Her membership of the College Youths exceeded 50 years and in 1967 she and Mr. Hairs reached their golden jubilee in the Society, an occasion of many congratulations at the annual dinner.

Mrs. Hairs' ringing friends went into hundreds. She was held in high esteem by all and her passing is very much regretted. The sympathy of the Exercise is extended to Mr. Hairs and their only child, Mrs. Olive Barnett, the wife of the vice-president of the Central Council.

The funeral service was at Withyham on May 23rd.

MR. JOHN BAILEY

A life member of the Lancashire Association, Mr. John Bailey died at Petersfield House. Penwortham, Lancs, on May 3rd, aged 81.

He learned to ring with his three brothers at Salmesbury at the turn of the century and later moved to Penwortham. Most of his 21 peals were rung at Salmesbury. He married Miss Alice Bailey, who died in 1963, and after her death he gave up ringing due to bad health but maintained a keen interest in the tower.

The funeral took place at St. Mary's Church, Penwortham. The bells were rung half-muffled before the service by Mrs. C. Crosthwaite, C. Crosthwaite, K. Martin, S. Barnett, L. Walmsley, J. A. Ascroft. J. M. A.

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD LOOKING FURTHER AFIELD

At the meeting of the East Grinstead Guild at Culham (10) on May 10th the chairman (Mr. B. E. Jeffrey) asked whether the members wished to limit activities to the area where the nucleus was. The idea was opposed as it was felt it would discourage prospective members in the outskirts of the District.

Subject to confirmation, the June 14th meeting would be at Mayfield and the August meeting at Cowfold and Lower Beeding. Practice meeting, Brasted, Friday, July 4th.

University of Bristol Society

The University of Bristol Society elected on April 30th the following officers for the 1969/70 session: Master, Anthony J. Cox; secretary, Michael J. Platt; treasurer, Shelagh Plumb; tower secretary, Andrew N. Brock

Sheffield University Guild

The annual general meeting of the Guild was held on March 14th. The officers elected were: Chairman, J. D. Cooper; Ringing Master, I. Dear; secretary and treasurer, Janet Walker.

45 Years' Service to one Tower

The peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major at Bulkington on April 19th was rung as a compliment to Mr. A. J. Hinde, who completed 45 years as an active member of the St. James' band on March 15th this year.

Before becoming a full ringing member in 1924 Alf spent two years prior to this as a probationer. The early training ensured his constant devotion to the band, Sunday service and practice nights being his chief concern. He has several times been Ringing Master at St. James' and is at present deputy Ringing Master and tower keeper. His love of bells does not overshadow his love of the church itself—he has been verger for the last 17 years.

Of the 15 peals he has rung, 14 have been in his home tower and one at the adjacent church in Bedworth. He has conducted three of his peals.

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BELFRY GOSSIP

Higham Ferrers Church, Northants, has had the gift of a new ringing chamber and porch, donated by Mr. John White. A peal of Pyrford Surprise Major was rung in honour of the gift on May 10th.

Mr. A. L. Bennett, of Buckfastleigh, held another successful tour on May 17th, when the Taunton area was visited. Lunch was at Bradford-on-Tone, and Audrey comments that the striking was all that could be desired.

When Mr. Alan Pink conducted a peal of Ullswater S. Major at Islip on May 15th he achieved a peculiar "alphabet" of Surprise Major methods in which he had conducted at least one of such methods to be rung for the first time.

Mr. R. H. Dove writes correcting the Derby Diocesan Association's report that Pinxton is the first case of a brand new ring of eight bells installed in a Derbyshire church in living memory. He cites the case of Creswell, where Messrs. John Taylor and Co. installed a new eight (tenor 13 cwt.) in 1927.

Officers of the Ashford District, Kent C.A., are considering a suggestion that junior members should remain as such until the completion of their education or apprenticeship.

With the peal of Plain Bob Maximus at Holy Trinity, Kingston upon Hull, on May 10th, Geoffrey W. Randall joins Alan H. Bridges as the only ringers ever to "circle the tower" to peals.

The band of College Youths that rang a peal of London Major on the bells of St. Mary's, Nottingham, on May 10th, is grateful to Mr. David Friend for standing down when the tenth member of the band failed to arrive. The method was to have been Rutland Surprise Royal.

The first peal of King Charles Delight Minor, rung at Barton Stacey, Hants, on May 11th, was only scored with difficulty. In the last extent the church was invaded by children with transistor radios and these and the bells were drowned by the organ. Ringing in this church takes place in an open balcony.

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TRIED TO RING STEDMAN FAMILY IN ONE DAY

An attempt to ring the Stedman family to peals in 24 hours by the University of Bristol Society on May 9th-10th was not

The attempt for Triples at Thornbury on the Friday evening was successful, and it was the first of Stedman rung in the tower since 1904. The Doubles attempt got off to a good start at St. Michael's. Bristol, but unfortunately it came to grief half-way.

St. Mary Redcliffe bells were soon ringing out in the afternoon and Tudor Edwards ably conducted this peal from the tenor box. Having heard the Redcliffe peal well under way, ten more ringers ascended Christ Church tower to attempt Stedman Caters. All went reasonably well for about hours, then suddenly it was lost. Result of the week-end, therefore, was only a 50 per cent. success. It is hoped to try again.

SIDCUP RINGER WEDS

It was a very happy occasion on April 12th when the bells of St. John's Church, Sideup, rang out for the wedding of Miss Ruth Thomas and Mr. Martin Dale, Ruth has been a ringer here since 1962 and although Martin is not a ringer he is no stranger in the belfry. The Vicar, Canon D. Oldaker, officiated.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a full-length dress of wild silk, with a long silk net veil held in place by a headdress of white flowers, and carried a bouquet of Madonna lilies and white freesias. She was attended by her cousin, Miss Margaret Vincent, who is also a St. John's ringer.

The customary bottle of champagne for the ringers was left in the tower. honeymoon was spent in Gloucestershire.

EXPO BELFRY GOING NORTH

Tremendous interest is being shown by ringers and the public in the visit to North Yorkshire of the Whitechapel Bell Foundry's Expo tower for the festival week.
July 20th-27th. To date five peal attempts have been booked and there are a few vacancies for morning (10 a.m. start) and lunchtime (12.30 start). Six other towers will be available in the area for bands wishing to plan an outing, and arrangements can be made through the organising secretary, Mr. P. Sotheran, who has established an advanced booking scheme,

Responsibility for this attractive ringing programme has been undertaken by the combined bands of Saltburn and Marske. Help has been forthcoming in various ways: a civil engineering firm is providing the foundations and the Urban Council is putting up a guarantee against loss. Despite all this, it is costing about £200 to mount the display.

BELFRY GOSSIP

NEW SECRETARIES



THE REV. FREDERICK ROSS Derby Diocesan Association

The new general secretary of the Derby Diocesan Association is the Rev. Frederick Ross. Vicar of Marlpool, Heanor. His church, a fine modern building, has only two bells, and he misses the regular Sunday service ringing which was part of his life for 13 years. His first curacy was at Hessle. an outer suburb of Hull, and he enjoyed being a member for four years of the very keen band there, which rang on every conceivable occasion.

At the beginning of 1956, at Newcastle upon Tyne, he learned to ring. He was then serving an engineering apprenticeship and eventually gained his H.N.C. in mechanical engineering. Two years' National Service in the R.A.F. followed, with good opportunities for ringing in Shropshire, Wilshire and North Yorkshire—indeed at Melksham bellringing became recognised as an official Wednesday afternoon

His decision to enter the Church came while in the R.A.F., and in 1961 he entered Queen's College, Birmingham, where he rang regularly at St. Martin's and the Cathedral. His ordination was in York Minster in 1964, followed by a happy four years at Hessle.

The new secretary has a very creditable peal list of 300 which are mostly in Surprise methods and more than one-third have been rung on ten and 12 bells. While at present he is forced to be an "unattached" member of the Derby Diocesan Association, he is not entirely unattached as he is married and is the father of a oneyear-old daughter!

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"A JOLLY GOOD 4s. WORTH"

The Lewisham District ran a successful ringing school in the form of a tour of local towers. It was designed to cater for those wishing to ring Plain Bob Minor and other Minor methods.

Towers visited during the day were Chelsfield, St. Mary Cray, Farningham. West Wickham and Bexley. At the conclusion one learner was overheard to say that he thought it had been "a jolly good 4s, worth". Perhaps this will go far to hearten the organisers who, at the end of such an event, sometimes wonder if it was all worth while.

MRS. DEAL BACK AT SHOREDITCH

Taking part in the peal of Stedman Cinques at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, on April 26th, was Mrs. R. F. Deal, a much-respected member of the Cumberlands in London. Mrs. Deal moved to Acle in Norfolk two years ago, and although it is nearly five years since she last rang a peal of Stedman Cinques it was a pleasure to the band to see her placing her bell in her characteristic meticulous fashion. Also taking part in the peal were several old friends of Mrs. Deal, including Bert Audsley, a past Master of the Cumberlands and now in his 49th year of membership of the Society.

WATCH DRAYTON

Robert G. Walker is the first member of the Drayton, Norfolk, band to ring a peal, a distinction which he achieved on the evening of his 21st birthday. Judging by recent progress on this two-year-old Whitechapel six, it will not be long before he is joined by others. Help from nearby Norwich has established method ringing, so that the local band, under the leadership of Michael Frost, now rings Plain Bob as well as call-changes on Sundays. One or two of the band also cope well with Stedman and Cambridge. Congratulations!

WANTS TO SELL BELL

To meet an outstanding debt of £200 on his church, the Vicar of Kingston, Dorset (population 150), is seeking to sell an unused 17th century bell. An offer of over £100 has been received, but the Diocesan Advisory Committee has said that as the bell is Church property outside buyers should not be entertained. Kingston has a ring of eight with a tenor of nearly 27 cwt.

HORSLEY CUP CONTEST

The final of the Horsley Cup contest (Derby Diocesan Association) was rung at Horsley on May 10th. Results: Cup winners Bolsover (Cambridge), 221 points; 2 Sawley (Little Bob), 215; 3 Derby, St. Peter's (Oxford T.B.), 210; 4 Chesterfield (Bob Doubles), 186; 5 Derby Cathedral (Cambridge), 181; 6 Heanor-Sawley joint team (Bob Doubles), 176; 7 Breadsall (Bob Doubles), 170; 8 Old Whittington (London Scholars), fired out.

TOWER BELL PEALS

TH								YOUTHS.	
	L	ONDO	N.—	At the	e Cati	hedral (of St.	Paul.	
On	Sat.,	April	26, 1	1969,	in 3	Hours	and	47 Minutes	
	A	PEAL	OF	5019	STEI	MAN	CIN	DUES	
						in D fl.			

	Tenor of CM	t. III D Hat.	
James Phillips	Treble	John Phillips	7
Roger F. Overington .	2	David P. Hilling	8
Andrew N. Stubbs .	3	Alan R. Patterson	9
Antony R. Kench .	4	Michael P. Moreton	10
Wilfred Williams		Philip A. F. Chalk	11
Michael V. Chilcott .	6	John H. Crampion	Tenor
		Raymond G. Cousins	1

Composed by David E. Parsons.

Conducted by Michael V. Chilcott.

Rung to mark the retirement of the Rt. Rev. J. W. C. Wand,
K.C.V.O., D.D., former Bishop of London, from the Chapter of
St. Paul's, and to commemorate his long association with the Diocese of London.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. FROME, Somerset.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist. On Sat.. May 3, 1969, in 3 Hours and 27 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5024 DERBY SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 31 cw	t. in D flat.
Peter J. England Treble	*Roy W. Rice 5
*George W. Massey 2	David G. Massey 6
Roland H. Cook 3	Roger I. Kendrick 7
Walter S. Rice 4	R. Kingsley Mason Tenor
Composed by Richard F. B. Speed.	Conducted by George W. Massey.
	on the bells. First in the method
on the bells and by all the band.	
	y of a daughter, Nicola, to Garry
and Susan Mason, of Leicester.	

YATTON, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin. On Sat., May 3, 1969, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

	T	enor 21 cw	t. 4 lb. in D.	
Roger I. Kendrick		Treble	Peter J. England	 5
Walter S. Rice		2	David G. Massey	 6
George W. Massey		3	Roland H. Cook	 7
			R. Kingsley Mason	
			Conducted by Roland	

THE BRISTOL SOCIETY BRISTOL.—At the Cathedral of the Holy and Undivided Trinity. On Tues., May 6, 1969, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5088 UXBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt.	1 lb. in E flat.
D. John Hunt Treble 1	Paul A. Williams 5
*Stephen J. Bateman 2	James R. Taylor 6
Stephen Fenwick 3	
Edward G. Mould 4	Denis A. Chapman Tenor
Composed by Stanley Jenner.	Conducted by D. John Hunt,
* First peal of Surprise.	

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL SOCIETY, ALLESLEY, Warwickshire.—At the Church of All Saints. On Sat., May 3, 1969, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

	2 110dis did 33 Williams
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLIC	CED SURPRISE MAJOR
In four methods, being 1,120 Rutla	and, 1,280 Cambridge and Lincoln-
	Tenor 12 cwt, in G.
Colin C. Monson Treble	Anthony J. Cox 5
*Christine A. Foster 2	*Arthur R. Wright 6
*C. Martin Foster 3	Ian C. Maycock 7
Michael J. Platt 4	*Edward G. Mould Tenor
	Conducted by Ian C. Maycock.
First peal of Spliced. First	of Spliced Surprise Major for the
Society.	

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. PRESTBURY, Cheshire.—At the Church of St. Peter, On Sun., April 13, 1969, in 3 Hours, A PEAL OF SAME STEPDMAN TRIBLES.

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES				
	. 3 gr. 18 lb.			
Alan A. Potts Treble	C. Kenneth Lewis 5			
lan M. Holland 2	Robert B. Smith 6			
	Gerald Moorhouse 7			
*Herbert M. Heaton 4	†Ernest Pimlott Tenor			
	1.) Conducted by G. Moorhouse.			
	st of Stedman Triples. First tower			
bell peal as conductor. First on	the bells since recasting.			

GOOSTREY-CUM-BARNSHAW, Cheshire -At the Church of St. Luke. On Sat., April 12, 1969, in 2 Hours and 31 Minutes,

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A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR			
A FEAL OF SOON MINOR			
Commission that antends of Circle Orford one of Vest the of			
Comprising two extents of Single Oxford, one of Kent, two of			
Cambridge and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 6 cwt.			
F. John Nelson Treble Eric Roughley 4			
G Dishard Vin- 2 Gooffeen Goodney 6			
G. Richard King 2 Geoffrey Gardner 5			
Brian Schofield 3 Denis Mottershead Tenor			
Conducted by Denis Mottershead,			
Collducted by Dellis Mottershead.			

HOPE, Flintshire.—At the Church of St. Cynfarch.
On Sat., May 3, 1969, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In nine methods, being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise,
Double Oxford and Thelwall
Oxford, Oxford T.B., Kent T.B. and Plain Bob.
Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qr. 24 lb. in G.

*John R. Scott Treble Roland W. Morant . . . 4

*Geoffrey A. Edwards . . 2 Harry W. Howard . . . 5

*Frederick S. Sutton . . . 3

Conducted by Frank R. Morton . . . Tenor Conducted by Frank R. Morton.

* First peal in nine Minor methods.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD. WARWICK, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Nicholas, On Sat., April 26, 1969, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,

	RANDSIRE TRIPLES	
Parker's 12-part (7th obs.).	Tenor 15 cwt. 2 gr. 20	lb. in F.
*Penny Adams Treble	L. Michael Callow	5
J. Susan Smith 2	Ian D. Thompson	6
Clare F. Dolphin 3	Geoffrey W. Randall	7
	Ernest J. Gower	Tenor
Composed by J. J. Parker. * First peal on eight bells.	Conducted by Peter C.	Randall.

ILMINGTON, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. Mary. On Tues., May 6, 1969, in 3 Hours,

A PEAL OF 5	040 MINOR		
Being two extents Cambridge Surpris	se, two extents St. Clement's and		
three extents Plain Bob.	Tenor 12 cwt. 3 or 26 lb in E.		
*John A. Boocock Treble	Brian R. Danby 4		
Jill Riley 2	Edward C. Garrett 5		
Richard M. Andrews 3	Richard I Danby Tenor		
Conducted by Richard J. Danby.			
* Eight and	nard J. Danby.		

Rung to welcome Anna Elizabeth, a daughter for Bob and Delphine Sherriff.

THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. DERBY.—At the Church of St. Andrew. On Thurs.. May 1, 1969, in 3 Hours, A PEAL OF 5040 CLIFTON SURPRISE ROYAL

Tenor 18 cwt, 2 gr. 23 lb, in E.						
Michael J. Fellows Treble	*Derek Astridge 6					
*Geoffrey Bridges 2	Clive A. Thrower 7					
*Timothy Wylie 3	Dennis R. Carlisle 8					
Gordon A. Halls 4	*Rev. Frederick Ross 9					
Brian A. Tomlinson 5	David W. Friend Tenor					
* First peal in the method.	ichael J. Fellows.					

BOLSOVER, Derbyshire,—At the Church of SS. Mary and Lawrence.
On Sat., May 3, 1969, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt.	3 or. 1 lb. in G.
Timothy Wylie Treble	Frank Cooke 5
Graham A. Newman 2	Dennis Cooper 6
Thelma E. Staples 3	Harold Wagstaff 7
*Andrew R. Queen 4	A. Colin Banton Tenor
Composed by Frank Bennett.	Conducted by A. Colin Banton.
* First peal on eight bells.	The conductor's 50th peal for the
Association.	

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS. EXETER. Devonshire.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Peter. On Sat., May 3, 1969, in 4 Hours and 16 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5280 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 72 cwt. 2	gr. 2 lb. in B flat.			
S. Kathleen M. Baldwin Treble	Christopher H. Rogers 7			
Brian Bladon 2	Thomas J. Lock 8			
David P. Hilling 3	Frank T. Blagrove 9			
James R. Taylor 4	Michael P. Moreton 10			
Roger Baldwin	James A. D. Woolford 11			
Martyn L. J. Jordan 6	John R. Mayne) Tenor			
	Robert C. Kippin)			
Conducted by John R Mayne				

(The Exeter Colleges Guild.)
HUISH EPISCOPI, Som.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.
On Tues., April 15, 1969, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5050	5 PLAIN BOB MAJOR	
Tenor 15 cw	t. 2 gr. 7 lb. in F.	
Christopher F. Longridge Treb	le David J. Atkins .: 5	,
	Malcolm S. Turner 6	
*Christine M. Abbott 3	John N. Longridge 7	1
John P. Colliss 4	John L. Anderson Ten	101
Composed and Condu	cted by John N. Longridge.	
* First peal.		

Rung on a cycling tour.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. BURWELL, Cambs.—At the Church of St. Mary the Blessed Virgin. On Sat., May 3, 1969, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5068 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 13 cwt. 7 lb. in F sharp. Alan F. Scholfield Treble Kenneth J. Hesketh 2 Arthur G. Mason 3 Hilary Muirhead 4 Richard A. G. Inglis Tenor Composed by S. J. Ivin. Conducted by Kenneth J. Hesketh.	THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. BUSHEY, Herts.—At the Church of St. James the Apostle. On Thurs., May 1, 1969, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5184 REAL DOUBLE GLASGOW SURPRISE MAJOR 4ths place bobs. Frank Reed Treble S. Kathleen M. Baldwin 5 Martyn L. J. Jordan 2 Christopher W. Woolley 6 David E. Rothera 3 Roger Baldwin 7 *Barry R. M. Johnson 4 Jonathan S. N. Porter Tenor Composed and Conducted by Roger Baldwin. *First peal in the method. Rung as a farewell to David Rothera, shortly moving to Chelmsford.
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. PRITTLEWELL, Essex.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin. On Sat., May 3, 1969, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL Traditional. Neil V. Avis Treble John R. Ketteringham . 2 Geoffrey Bridges 6 Maureen J. Carruthers . 3 Julia A. Fellows 4 David E. Rothera 9 Frank B. Lufkin 5 Andrew W. R. Wilby . Tenor Conducted by Andrew W. R. Wilby . Tenor Conducted by Andrew W. R. Wilby. * First peal of Royal in the method.	THE HULL COLLEGES GUILD. ESCRICK, East Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Helen. On Sat., May 3, 1969. in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in F. *Catriona McNeil Treble I an G. Campbell 5 Peter Church 2 Alan R. Bridges 6 Andrew Slade 3 George A. Dawson 7 Robert W. Sherriff 4 Michael Maughan Tenor Composed by Chris. P. Starbuck. Conducted by George A. Dawson. * First peal. 75th as conductor.
RAYLEIGH, Essex.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity. On Tues. May 6, 1969, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5068 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR Tenor 16 cwt. David E. Belcham	THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. ERITH, Kent.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist. On Fri., April 25, 1969, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES Washbrook's. Arthur G. Mason . Treble John Pladdys 2 *Timothy D. Wickens
SANDON, Essex.—At the Church of St. Andrew. On Sat., April 26, 1969, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR In seven methods, being one extent each of Beverley, Cambridge, Thelwall, Childwall, Double Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb. in G. Judy Harrison Treble Robin Trebilcock 4 Ruth Gay 2 Richard J. Harrison 5 Josephine A. Quilter . 3 Peter G. Brown Tenor Conducted by Peter G. Brown.	GRAVESEND, Kent.—At the Church of St. George. On Sat., May 3, 1969, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb. in E. Trevor A. Cross Treble John A. Howard 5 Timothy D. Wickens 2 Richard Hayes 6 Peter D. J. Beal 3 Harold Evans 7 Alexander Waddington 4 John Pladdys Tenor Composed by J. R. Ketteringham. Conducted by Richard Hayes.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. HAWKLEY, Hampshire.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul. On Sun., May 4, 1969, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR In ten methods, comprising 576 each of Ashtead, Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire, 448 of Bristol and 384 each of London, Rutland and Uxbridge, with 136 changes of method. Felicity S. Hamilton Treble Beryl R. Simpson	THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. CROSTHWAITE. Westmorland.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin. On Sat., May 3, 1969, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Being seven different extents. *Harold Walker Treble Alan Capstick 2 Kenneth J. Foster 4 Kenneth J. Foster 5 Thomas F. Metcalfe Treble Kenneth J. Foster Tenor Conducted by Kevin M. Price. * First peal of Minor. † 50th on tower bells. THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD, QUORN, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew. On Sat., March 1, 1969, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.
HASCOMBE, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Peter. On Sat., May 3, 1969, in 2 Hours and 3 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES Being 30 six-scores (10 callings) and six 240's. Tenor 3 cwt. 3 qr. 17 lb. in D. John A. Collier Treble *Malcolm M. Powell 3	* First peal of Oxford Major. * PEAL OF 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 17 lb. in G. * George A. Barber Treble Richard M. Wilson 6 * Stephen B. Bell
* Martin J. Kirk 2 E. John Wells 4 Roy Collins Tenor Conducted by E. John Wells. * First peal of Doubles in the method.	THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. LINCOLN.—In St. Hugh's Tower at the Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary. On Thurs., May 1, 1969, in 3 Hours and 19 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5007 STEDMAN CINQUES
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. CLIFFORD, Herefordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary. On Sat., May 3, 1969, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in F sharp. Frederick R. Harris . Treble Margery A. Wratten 2 Valerie Willard 5 Leonard C. Edwards 6 Patrick H. Allen 7 George T. Cousins Tenor Composed by A. J. Corrigan.	Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb, in D. Peter A. Sharp Treble Philip C. Pitchford

BRANT BROUGHTON, Lincs.—At the Church of St. Helen. On Sat., May 3, 1969, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb. in E flat. Jack L. Millhouse Treble David Phillipson 4 Gillian Radley 2 Christopher J. Sharp Tenor Composed by Rev. E. Bankes James. Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse. • First peal of Cambridge Surprise Minor.	EAST HAGBOURNE, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Andrew On Sat., April 19, 1969, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES Groves' variation of Parker's 12-part. Gerald I. Wells Treble E. Stephen Wells 5 Harold W. Dunsden 2 Philip Murduck 6 George W. Bishop 3 Geoffrey K. Dodd 7 Peter L. Furniss 4 Michael Bishop Tenor Conducted by Geoffrey K. Dodd. First peal, † Sixth man to "circle the tower."
THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. LLANTRISANT, Glam.—At the Church of SS. Illtyd, Tyfodwg and Gwynno. On Sat., May 3, 1969, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5088 FALMOUTH SURPRISE MAJOR Teno- 104 cwt. in G. Stephen Fenwick Treble Charles P. Quartley 5 Michael R. Meadows 2 Christopher Ricketts 6 David J. Llewellyn 3 J. Michael Lakin 4 Paul A. Williams 7 J. Michael Lakin 4 *Peter S. Bennett Tenor Conducted by Peter S. Bennett. * 50th peal for the Association	BENSON, Oxfordshire.—At the Church of St. Helen. On Mon., May 5, 1969, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5120 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt. in F. Clive Holloway Treble Alan R. Pink 2 *James E. Godman 3 Ronald K. Russ 4 *Frank Absolom 7 Peter J. Heritage Tenor Connp.s.a by Fred Dench. *First peal in the method. Rung on the eve of the Feast of St. John before the Latin Gate.
THE GREATER LONDON ASSOCIATION. CITY OF LONDON.—At the Church of St. Olave, Hart Street, E.C. On Sun., April 20, 1969, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5184 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR *John R. Ketteringham Treble Andrew W. R. Wilby 5 *Christopher I. Rowson 2 John R. Pratchett 6 *Maureen J. Carruthers 3 Timothy G. Pett 7 Geoffrey Bridges 4 Tony Lewis Tenor Composed by Christopher I. Rowson. Conducted by Timothy G. Pett. * 25th peal together. LONDON.—At the Church of St. Anne, Stamford Hill. On Sat., April 26, 1969, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5120 MATTISHALL SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in A. Dorothea Robotham Treble Frank Reed 5 Maureen J. Carruthers 2 Brian C. Watson 6 Ronald K. Russ 3 John R. Ketteringham 7 Nigel Thompson 4 Timothy G. Pett Tenor Composed by John R. Ketteringham Conducted by Timothy G. Pett. First peal in the method. MATTISHALL SURPRISE MAJOR —36—1456—58—36—14—58—36—58. B. e, n. THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION. BUCKLEY, Flintshire.—At the Church of St. Matthew. On Sat., May 3, 1969, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR	THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY. KIRTLINGTON, Oxon.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin. On Sat., May 3, 1969, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR In eight methods, comprising 1,600 Rutland, 1,280 London, 640 Bristol, 416 Cambridge, 320 each of Yorkshire, Pudsey and Lincolnshire and 224 Superlative with 139 changes of method. Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb in E. *Stephen K. Thompson Treble TRichard H. Johnston 5 †Shirley E. Jones 2 Peter H. Mackie 6 †Rodney A. Yeates 3 Jeremy R. Pratt Tenor Arranged and Conducted by Lawrence J. Haines 7 Stephen F. Royal 4 Jeremy R. Pratt Tenor Arranged and Conducted by Lawrence J. Haines * 25th peal. † First of Spliced Major. First of Surprise as conductor. THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. DAVENTRY Northants.—At the Church of the Holy Cross. On Sat May 3, 1969, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qr 11 lb. in E flat. Rev. Geoffrey Stickland Treble Geoffrey J. Hemming 6 Geoffrey R. Parker 2 Geoffrey J. Hemming 6 Geoffrey W. Randell 3 Geoffrey Praul 9 Geoffrey Pearson 4 Geoffrey Paul 9 Geoffrey Fothergill 5 Geoffrey R. Drew Tenor Composed by F. Darby. First "Geoffreys' Peal" of Royal.
Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 7 lb. John W. Griffiths Valerie Jamson 2 Norah M. Randles 3 Robert J. Warrilow 4 Composed by Rev. E. Bankes James. Conducted by John W. Griffiths. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. STEPNEY, London.—At the Parish Church of St. Dunstan and All Saints. On Sat., May 3. 1969, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5019 STEDMAN CATERS	KETTERING, Northants.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul. On Sat., May 3, 1969, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES Parker's 12-part. S. G. Robinson Treble Tenor 23 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in D. S. G. Robinson
Joyce A. Parsons Treble Roger F. Overington 6 David E. Parsons 2 Nigel B. Thompson 7 Alan D. Flood 3 Leonard J. Fox 8 Clare F. Dolphin 4 John H. Napper 9 John W. T. Hibbert 5 Ernest J. Gower Tenor Composed and Conducted by David E. Parsons. (No. 4.) Rung as a compliment to David S. Duncombe and Sandra A. Briden (daughter of the Mayor of Tower Hamlets) prior to their wedding at this church this day, and as a welcome to a son and heir born to Rita and Arthur Cuthbert this day.	COGENHOE, Northants.—At the Church of St. Peter. On Fri. May 2, 1969, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR Being one extent of Oxford T.B. and three extents each of Kent T.B. and Plain Bob Philip Jones Treble Anne Henman 4 Dorothy M. Stopps 2 Barry R. Care 5 Paul D. Clewitt 3 Raymond Henman Tenor Conducted by Barry R Care. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mrs. E. Attewell, of Great Billing
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THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD. NORTH STONEHAM. Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Nicolas. On Mon., April 21, 1969, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5376 GLASGOW SURPRISE MAJOR 4ths place bobs. Susan E. M. Davis Treble *Richard Green 2 *Derek C. Jackson 3 Roger M. Heyworth 4 *Poerek C. Jackson 3 Roger M. Heyworth
EAST TYTHERLEIGH, Hampshire—At the Church of St. Peter. On Sat., May 3, 1969, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes. A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14 cwt, 1 qr. 25 lb. in F. Ross G. W. Robertson . Treble David Wilson 2 William T. Perrins 6 Mary E. Elmes 3 *Michael J. Young 4 Graham W. Elmes Tenor Composed by Chris. P. Starbuck. Conducted by Graham W. Elmes. * First peal in the method. First of Surprise as conductor. THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. HALLOW, Worcs.—At the Church of SS. Philip and James.
On Sat., May 3. 1969, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES Tenor 21 cwt. 3 qr. 17 lb. in E. Paul Cattermole Treble Arthur C. Berry Walter H. Raxter 5 Frederick C. Pugh 6 David G. Franklin 7enor Composed by J. J. Parker. Conducted by David Beacham. * First peal. Rung for the Patronal Festival and for the centenary of the consecration of this church (May 4th, 1869). Also to mark 50 years of ringing service to this church by F. C. Pugh.
KIDDERMINSTER, Worcs.—At the Church of St, Mary & All Saints. On Sat, May 3, 1969, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5056 LINCOLN SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb. in A. *Peter J. Brown
BROMYARD, Herefordshire.—At the Church of St. Peter. On Sat. May 3. 1969, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5184 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR Fenor 14 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in F. Morley P. Tobin
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. WAKEFIELD, Yorkshire.—At the Cathedral Church of All Saints. On Tues., April 22, 1969, in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5037 GRANDSIRE CINQUES Tenor 35½ cwt, in C. *Helen Williams Treble †Peter Carbutt 7 †R. Anne Johnson 2 †Alan Clifton 8 †George E. Hancock 9 J. Henry Fielden 4 Wilfrid F. Moreton 5 Stuart Armeson 11 Trevor Tarbatt Tenor Composed by M. J. Morris. Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.
* First peal. † First on 12 bells. LEEDS, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Peter. On Sat., May 3, 1969, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes. A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS Tenor 42 cwt. 1 qr. 27 lb. in C. Basil Jones Treble Iris M. E. Lemare 2 Christopher M. Movley . 3 Richard S. Starkie 4 Bernard F. L. Groves 6 Jeffrey Brannan 10 Brian Harris

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (The Sheffield and District Society.) HANDSWORTH, Sheffield.—At the Church of St. Mary. On Tues., April 8, 1969. in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes. A PEAL OF 5120 QUEDGELEY SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt. in F. Geoffrey N. Goodall Treble H. David Holland 5	THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. SHEFFIELD, Yorkshire.—At 194, Gleadless Common. On Wed., April 30, 1969, in 1 Hour and 49 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 YORK SURPRISE MINOR Being seven extents with no 65's at backstroke. Tenor size 14 in D. *Geoffrey Bridges 1-2 Michael J. Fellows 3-4 *A. Colin Banton (cond.) 5-6
John J. L. Gilbert 2 Eileen J. Goodall	* First peal in the method. First of York Surprise on handbells for all the band and for the Association. DERBY, Derbyshire.—At 6, Vernon Street.
LEEDS, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Matthias, Burley On Sat., May 3, 1969, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb, in B flat. David Whitehead Treble David Featherstone 5 Christopher J. Easton 2 John J. Durham 6 Robert H. Jordan 3 Robert A. Beresford 7 Peter H. Gardner 4 C. Barrie Dove Tenor Composed by N. Smith. Conducted by C. Barrie Dove.	On Wed., May 7, 1969, in 2 Hours, A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINGR Being seven extents in five methods: (1) Westminster, (2) Cambridge, (3) Beverley, (4) Cambridge, (5) York, (6) Surfleet. (7) York, with no 6-5's. at backstroke. Tenor size 14 in D. *Geoffrey Bridges 1-2 *Michael J. Fellows 3-4 A. Colin Banton 5-6 Conducted by A. Colin Banton. * 25th peal together. The greatest number of Surprise methods to a handbell peal for all the band and for the Association.
ILKLEY, Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Saints. On Sun., May 4, 1969, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes. A PEAL OF 5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in E. Ronald Crabtree Treble Peter H. Gardner 5	THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. CITY OF LONDON.—In the Belfry of St. Olave's, Hart Street. On Sun., May 4, 1969, in 1 Hour and 53 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Tenor size 15 in C.
Iris M. E. Lemare 2 C. Barrie Dove 6 Christopher J. Easton 3 Robert H. Jordan 4 Composed by N. Smith. Conducted by David Featherstone.	David A. Town
First peal as conductor. CROFTON, Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Saints. On Mon., April 7, 1969, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR	A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor size 15 in C. Jennifer A. Dunning 1-2 Len Goodall 5-6 Maureen J. Carruthers 3-4 John Pladdys 7-8 Composed by John R. Pritchard. Conducted by John Pladdys.
In four methods, being one extent of St. Clement's and two each of Oxford T.B., Kent I.B. and Plain Bob. George D. Johnson Treble Hedley Burton	THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY. OXFORD, Oxon—In Exeter College, Staircase 9, Room 2 On Fri., March 14, 1969, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton. • First peal of Minor. Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. in F. HANDBELL PEALS	Tenor size 15 in C. Lawrence J. Haines 1-2 Rodney A. Yeates 5-6 Stephen J. Thompson 3-4 Jeremy R. Pratt 7-8 Composed by C. K. Lewis. Conducted by Lawrence J. Haines.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. MARPLE, Cheshire.— At 40, Ridge Crescent. On Thurs., April 17, 1969, in 2 Hours and 10 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor size 15 in C.	THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. HAWKSHEAD, Lancashire.—At Bettyfold. On Fri., May 9. 1969. in 1 Hour and 40 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
J. David Atkinson 1-2 Bernard F. L. Groves 5-6 Robert B. Smith 3-4 Gerald Moorhouse 7-8 Composed by Charles Middleton. Conducted by Robert B. Smith.	Being one extent each of Original, Single Oxford, College, Single Court and St. Clement's College and two of Plain Bob. Tenor size 14 in D. Joseph Whalley 1-2 Mary W. Whalley 3-4 Kevin M. Price (cond.) 5-6
MARPLE, Cheshire.—At 6, Ashwood Crescent. On Sun April 20, 1969, in 2 Hours and 11 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5088 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR In five methods, being 3,392 of Rutland, 480 each of Cambridge and Lincolnshire, 416 Superlative and 320 of Yorkshire, with 106 changes of method. *Alan F. Scholfield 1-2 Bernard F. L. Groves 5-6 Robert B. Smith 3-4 Gerald Moorhouse 7-8 Composed by C Kenneth Lewis. Conducted by Robert B. Smith. * First peal of Spliced Surprise on handbells.	HAWKSHEAD. Lancashire.—At Bettyfold. On Fri., May 16, 1969, in 1 Hour and 41 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR Being seven methods in the following extents: (1) Horsmonden. (2) Plain Bob, (3) Single Oxford and Plain Bob, (4) Original. (5) College, (6) St. Clement's College and Plain Bob, (7) Single Court. Tenor size 14 in D. Joseph Whalley 1-2 Mary W. Whalley . , 3-4 Kevin M. Price (cond.) 5-6
MARPLE, Cheshire.—At 6, Ashwood Crescent. On Sat., April 26, 1969, in 2 Hours and 16 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5120 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR Bernard F. L. Groves . 1-2 Gerald Moorhouse 5-6 *John W. Gander 3-4 Robert B. Smith 7-8 Composed by J. R. Pritchard. Conducted by Robert B. Smith. * First peal of Treble Bob on an "inside pair." Rung as a compliment to Alan and Pameta McFall on the birth of a son, Richard John. Tenor size 15 in C.	THE LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY SOCIETY. LIVERPOOL.—At 23, Cumberland Avenue. On Mon., April 28, 1969, in 1 Hour and 42 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Tenor size 12 in F. *Geoffrey C. Sparling 1-2 Bruce Wakefield 3-4 H. Lyndon Hatfield (cond.) 5-6 * First peal of Minor "in hand." First as conductor "in hand." Rung to welcome Emma Jane, daughter of Maryl and John Fielden.
MARPLE, Cheshire.—At 6, Ashwood Crescent. On Tues., April 29, 1969, in 2 Hours and 2 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR J. David Atkinson 1-2 Bernard F. L. Groves 5-6 C. Kenneth Lewis 3-4 John W. Gander 7-8 Composed by J. Reeves. Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves. Rung for the birth of Robert William Smith, son of May and Robert B. Smith.	THE MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY GUILD. MANCHESTER.—At 151, Beresford Road. On Sun., May 11, 1969, in 1 Hour and 57 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Tenor size 14 in D. *Sandra M. Crocombe 1-2 †Clive R. Calton 3-4 John W. Gander (cond.) 5-6
MARPLE, Cheshire.—At 6, Ashwood Crescent. On Sat., May 3, 1969, in 2 Hours and 15 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR Tenor size 15 in C. J. David Atkinson	* First peal. † First "in hand." First "in hand" as conductor. THE SURREY ASSOCIATION. LONDON.—At 16B, Sutherland Place, W. On Sun., April 20, 1969, in 1 Hour and 38 Minutes. A PEAL OF 5040 SINGLE OXFORD BOB MINOR Being seven extents. John R. Ketteringham . 1-2 Maureen J. Carruthers 3-4 Geoffrey Bridges (cond.) 5-6 First peal in the method by all.
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WEBB. — On May 3rd, 1969. at Rodney House, Walton-on-Thames, to Genebeth and Christopher Webb, a son (Matthew Christopher), brother for William Timothy. 7244

HAIRS. — Peacefully on May 20th, 1969, Elsie L., wife of Frank I. Hairs, of Norman Cottage, Park Corner, Groombridge, aged 76

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Frances is now 3, The Grange, Green Lane.

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WHITTELL.—As from May 17th, 1969, the address of Neville and Jennifer Whittell will be 1, Maltster's Walk, Stowmarket, Suffolk.

MOXON.—Chris and Christine, 48, May-field, Oxspring, Sheffield, S30 6YN, are now on the telephone—number: Penistone 2509, Correspondents to treasurer of the Yorkshire Association please note.

PERSONAL

The prayers of ringing friends are asked for William Thomas Godfrey, former secretary and vice-chairman of the Christchurch District of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild, who is to be made Deacon by Falkner, Lord Bishop of Winchester, in his Cathedral on Trinity Sunday, June 1st. He is to serve in the parish of All Saints, West Southbourne, Bournemouth. Bournemouth.

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BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

ANNUAL SHIELD CONTEST

To be held at Cawthorne on the second Saturday in June (14th). Names for tea to Noel F. Moxon, Green Gables Cawthorne. Entries to be sent to the secretary, T. Tarbatt, 7a, Manorstead, Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. No names no tea.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.—Frome Branch.—Corporate Com-munion, Chewton Mendip, Sunday, June 1st, 8 a.m. Bells 7.15 Names for breakfast to Mr. H. Baber, Woodside, Chewton Mendip. — E. Chivers, Chilcompton. 7226

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

Farnham District SUMMER FESTIVAL Saturday, June 7th, 1969

Arrangements have been made for towers to be available as follows:—

Pirbright (6) 10.00-10.45 a.m.

Bagshot (8) 10.45-11.45 a.m.

Worplesdon (8) 11.00-12 noon

Yorktown (8) 11.30-12.30 p.m.

Ash (6) 12.30-1.30 p.m.

Aldershot (8) 1.30-2.15 p.m.

Seale (6) 2.15-3.15 p.m.

Hawley (8) 2.30-3.15 p.m.

Farnborough (8) 3.00-4.00 p.m.

Farnham (8) 3.30-4.30 p.m. Farnham (8) 3.30-4.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., at St. Andrew's

Church, Farnham. Preacher, the Ven. John Evans, Archdeacon of Surrey.

Tea 5 p.m., Church House, next to Central Car Park, Farnham. Names to Miss J. M Collins, Sands Cottage. Leigh Lane, Farnham, not later than Wednesday. June 4th.

6.00-7.00 p.m. 6.30-7.30 p.m. 6.30-7.30 p.m Farnham (8) Aldershot (8) Crondall (6) Bentley (6) 6.30-7.30 p.m. 7.00-8.00 p.m. 7.45-8.45 p.m. Frensham (6) Grayshott (8)

Notifications for tea to Miss J. M. Collins, Sands Cottage, Leigh Lane, Farnham, not later than Wednesday, June 4th.—S. J. Tate-Mitchell, Dis. Sec.

MERSEYSIDE RINGING DAY

SATURDAY JUNE 21st, 1969 LIVERPOOL CATHEDRAL

Bells 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Service 3 p.m.

Tea 3.45 p.m. in the Western Rooms Bells 5 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

Tea 4/- each

Tea tickets (which must be purchased in advance) and list of other towers available can be obtained from G. K. Austin, 4, Coppice Crescent, Huyton, Liverpool, L36 7XB, no later than Tuesday, June 10th. Please enclose stamped addressed envelope.

All cheques and postal orders should be made payable to G. K. 7203

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Frome Branch.—The striking competition will be held at Leigh-on-Mendip on Saturday, May 31st, at 3 p.m. 7225
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Dursley. — Festival of Flowers at Parish Church. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea and meeting 4.30. Names for tea to G. Minors. 1, Heaterville Villas, Purton, Berkeley. Ringing after. (Sunday, June 8th, Deanery Evensong, Dursley. Bells 5.15–6.30. Ringing after service. Friends welcomed to both towers. 7241

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
GARDEN PARTY
Goognargh Vicarage
Saturday, June 28th. Open 2.30 p.m.
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Sunday, June 8th Ringing 3-4.30. Tea 4.30-5.30. Ringing 5.30-6.30 and after service. Barbecue 8.30.

SURREY ASSOCIATION (Southern District) ANNUAL STRIKING COMPETITION

Ashtead, Saturday, June 14th. Will teams please be present at 2.30 p.m. or as soon as possible thereafter. Evensong 5.15 p.m., followed by quarterly business meeting. Much regretted that tea cannot be provided. Please make own arrangements. Entries to me at 23, Woodlands Road, Redhill, as soon as possible.—K. G. Game, Dis. Sec. 7275

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT.—Annual outing, Saturday, June 17th. Ringing at Matlock (8), 2-3.15 p.m.; Wirksworth (8), 4-5: finging 5.45-7 p.m. not yet definite; Duffield (10), 7.30-8.30 p.m. Please make own arrangements for tea. For final details send s.a.e. to R. Fletcher, 34, Dransfield Road, Sheffield, S10 5RN (Tel. 305208).—R. Fletcher, Hon. Sec. 7286

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MIDDLESEX C.A.—S.W. District.—Practice, Friday, May 30th, St. Mary's, Staines, Middlesex, and on last Friday of every month.

MEETINGS

LADIES' GUILD.—Central District.—Meeting May 31st, Little Missenden. Bells available 3-4.30 p.m. Cups of tea to follow but please bring own food. Evening ringing from 6-8.30 p.m., Chalfont St. Giles. 7188

SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS.— Meeting, Saturday, May 31st, West Hallam (8), 3-4.30 p.m.; Ilkeston (8), 5.30-8.30 p.m. Cafés for tea in Ilkeston.—D. Stainsby, Hon.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

—Practice meeting, St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute from Tottenham Court Road tube station), Monday, June 2nd, 7 p.m. 7245

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — Witney and Woodstock Branch.—Monthly practice at Combe (6), Monday, June 2nd, 7 p.m.—E. Venn, Dis. Sec. 7220

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leicester District.—Surprise Major practice at All Saints', Leicester, Tuesday, June 3rd, commencing at 7.30 p.m.—Ron Hughes. 7246

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSO-CIATION. — Monmouth Branch. — Evening practice, Usk, Friday, June 6th, 7.30-9 p.m. Methods: Double Norwich, Cambridge and Yorkshire.—J. S. King. 7212

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

Meeting, BIRMINGHAM, JUNE 7th. 11.30-12.15: St. Chad's R.C. Cathedral.
1 p.m.: Lunch in St. Martin's Hall, followed by business meeting.
2.45-3.45: St. Martin's, Bull Ring.
3.30-4.45: Birmingham Cathedral. 6.15-7.15: Solihull,

Names for lunch (10s.) to the Master, Mr. A. N. Stubbs, 29, Sutherland Place, London, W.2, by May 30th at latest. —J. G. A. Prior. 7183

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Quarterly meeting, June 7th, SS. Peter and Paul's, Chiselborough (5, 12 cwt.), Ringing 5 p.m. Service 6. Meeting 6.30. Ringing 7-9 p.m. No teas provided.—M. M. L.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION. — Dunster Branch. — Quarterly meeting, Sampford Brett (6), Saturday, June 7th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to E. Tyndale-Biscoe, Burnells Gardens, Dun-ster 346.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford District.—Evening meeting, Saturday, June 7th. Kimbolton (5), 6-7 p.m.; Dean (5) 7-8.15 p.m. Everyone made welcome.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Crewe Branch.—Marbury, June 7th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Evening ringing at Wrenbury (6). Names for tea by June 4th.—W. Kerr, 107, Moreton Road. Crewe. 7269

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—War-

coveniky Diocesan Guild.—Warwick Archdeaconry.—Monthly meeting at Butlers Marston, Saturday, June 7th. Bells (6) 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., followed by more ringing in the evening. Also Tysoe (6) 2.30-3.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. L. A. G. Hall, 2, Bank View, Butlers Marston, Warwicks, please.—H. A. M. 7287

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—
Ilkeston District.—Meeting, St. Mary's (8),
Radcliffe-on-Trent, Notts, Saturday, June 7th,
Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea. Ringing until
7 p.m. Names for tea to R. J. Tanner, 36,
High Lane East, West Hallam, Derbys, or
Ringing Master, St. Mary's; latest June 2nd,
please. Local District members very welcome,
7162

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.—Stow-on-the-Wold Branch.—Annual meeting, Stow-on-the-Wold (8), June 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Meeting 5.30. Bells 6.15-8 p.m. Names for tea to L. C. Dowdeswell, Sec., 5, Park Street, Stow-on-the-Wold, Glos, by June 5th.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—
Watford District.—Practice meeting, Bushey
Heath, June 7th, 6.30 p.m. Names for halfday outing, please.—G. W. Seaman, Dis. Sec.
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HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.— Northern District.—Evening meeting, Saturday, June 7th. Barley (6), 5.30-7; Barkway (8), 7-8.30.—Mrs. C. A. Agg, Dis. Sec. 7253 KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ton-bridge District.—Quarterly meeting. Hever, on June 7th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Picnic tea, please.

LADIES' GUILD.—Kent Branch.—Meeting on June 7th at Wrotham. Tea 5 p.m. Ringing 6.30–8.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. R. L. Sills, Glenavon, St. Vincent's Lane, Addington, West Malling, by previous Thursday.—R. W.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Wigan Branch.—Striking competition, Christ Church, Southport, Saturday, June 7th, 2.30 p.m. Own tea arrangements. Evening ringing till 8 p.m. (special method, Oswald Delight). Will those entering competition please be punctual.—C D'Aeth, Hon. Sec. 726

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leicester District.—Meeting, Gilmorton, June 7th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting in the Church Hall, Main Street, Names to Mr. G. Broughton, Main Street, Gilmorton, Rugby, by Wednesday, June 4th, please, or to me (Markfield 2544) by Monday, June 2nd. All welcome.—Ron Hughes.—Ron 7247

Hughes. 7247
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
(S. and W. District) and LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Joint meeting, June 7th. Ringing: Cranford, 3.30–4.45 p.m.; Heston, 6-7.30; Harlington, 7.30-8.30 p.m. Buffet tea at Heston, 5 p.m.—M. J. Palmer, M. Wycherlew

NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION—Meeting, Swynnerton, June 7th. Beils (6) 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. W. Watkin, Early Lane, Swynnerton, Stone, by previous Wednesday. Barlaston (5) available from 3.30 to 4.30—R. J. B. 7259
NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION—Annual meeting, St. Matthew's (8), Buckley, Saturday, June 7th. Bells 2 p.m. Service 3.45 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Names for tea to W. Cathrall, 19, Cunliffe Walk, Garden Village, Wrexham. 7193
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—Annual meeting, Whaddon (6). Saturday, June 7th. Usual arrangements.

Garden Village, Wrexham,
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North
Bucks Branch.—Annual meeting, Whaddon
(6), Saturday, June 7th, Usual arrangements.
Names for tea to B. R. Eglesfield, Hon. Sec.,
7. York Road, Stony Stratford, Wolverton,
Bucks, by Tuesday previous.
7278
SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wimborne Branch.—Practice evening, Gussage St.
Michael (6), Saturday, June 7th, Bells available 7-9 p.m. Visitors welcome.—J. A.
Robertson, Hon. Sec.
SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—
Monthly meeting, Escrick, Saturday, June 7th,
Bells 2.30-8 p.m. Please make own arrangements for tea.—L. M. Woodhead, Hon. Sec.
WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH
GUILD.—Alton and Petersfield District.—
Practice meeting, Buriton, Saturday, June 7th,
Bells available 6.30-8.30 p.m.
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WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH
GUILD.—Christchurch and Southampton District.—Quarterly meeting, Lymington, Saturday, June 7th, Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30.
Tea in All Saints' Church Hall (Lymington),
5.15 p.m., followed by meeting, Milford-onSea bells (8) in evening, Names for tea
essential to 24. Stourcline Avenue, Southbourne, Bournermouth, BH6 3PT (Tel. 44101),
by Wednesday, June 4th.—Gilian W. Davis,
Dis. Sec. 7262 Dis. Sec.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD. — Meeting, Saturday, June 14th, at Mayfield (8). Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5. Service 6. Evening ringing until 8.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. R. A. Large, 25, Nursery Close. Tonbridge, Kent, by June 12th. 7248 KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Canterbury District. —The annual striking competition will be held on Saturday, June 14th, at Boughton-under-Blean. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. at the Parish Hall. Names for tea to Mr. J. B. Keeler, Bear Inn, 3, Market Place, Faversham, Kent. by June 11th. 7288 NOTICES continued overleaf.

Ringing and Conducting Standard Methods

By ROBERT B. SMITH

PART II OXFORD TREBLE BOB

(Continued from page 301)

(b) Conducting: Calling the Method Round

Most of the aids to conducting I gave for Kent Treble Bob apply when ringing Oxford Treble Bob. The essential difference between the two methods has already been pointed out, i.e., reversal of the two bells either side of the slow bell in the coursing order. One can again see that if the method has been learned properly the step to being able to conduct the method is a very small one indeed.

It will be remembered that when we considered conducting Kent Treble Bob for the sake of convenience I divided conducting into three parts:

- (i) Bob calling.
- (ii) Checking.
- (iii) "Sorting out."
- (i) Bob calling.—The calls in Oxford Treble Bob are made in exactly the same place as for Kent Treble Bob. The same compositions may be used for both methods provided the tenors are not parted by the calls. It should tenors are not parted by the calls. It should be pointed out at this stage, however, that the music produced by the two methods is completely different for the SAME composition. For example, the coursing order 63542 will produce two roll-ups ending 6278 in Kent Treble Bob when the treble is dodging 3-4 down. The same coursing order in Oxford Treble Bob produces two roll-ups ending 6578.
- (ii) Checking. I have already mentioned that a competent conductor checks each bell as he works out from the front to the back and vice versa. This is a more important requirement in Oxford Treble Bob than in Kent Treble Bob because there is a greater tendency for bells to cross over in the former method. The reason for this is due to "change in direction of movement" of the bells making 3rds and out or 4ths and in. If two of these bells dodge instead of making places in one lead, apart from the fact that there is repetition of changes, the two bells depart from each other in the wrong direction. Such a mistake can occur without a clip taking place and an unsuspecting conductor suddenly finds himself with a bell at the back which should be at the front and vice versa. Some conductors might not even notice until they come to call the next bob, when they find that the wrong bell is being affected by the call.
- (iii) "Sorting out".—We touched briefly on the ethics of this part of conducting when we considered Kent Treble Bob and I do not propose to enlarge on that now. What is propose to enlarge on that now. What is important is that any correcting should be done rapidly (and correctly, of course!). In addition to the advice I gave for Kent Treble Bob, the following I have found to be most useful for Oxford Treble Bob. Make sure that the next slow bell courses down BEFORE the treble and that the previous slow bell courses down AFTER the treble.

CALLING THE METHOD ROUND

Occasionally it becomes necessary to call a touch of Treble Bob round at some point other than was originally intended. The points I give apply equally well when ringing Kent Treble Bob and I could have dealt with this equally well when considering that method.

Kent or Oxford Treble Bob Minor

Precisely what method of calling round is adopted depends, of course, on the coursing order at the time and the lead the tenor (6th) is ringing at that time. The only position it is not desirable to call a bob in is for the tenor to make 4ths, as this means that it is moved back two places in the course and at least four more leads must be rung. Often the most convenient procedure is to call bobs at wrong (1 or 2) until the 5th runs out, run one plain lead and call bobs at home (1 or 2) if necessary, i.e., a maximum of four calls will bring any touch round; unless the 5th was coursing in front of the 6th, in which case the conductor should have known better than letting such a situation arise.

Kent or Oxford Treble Bob Major
Calling Treble Bob round on more than six bells can be quite a lengthy business and it may be expedient to call "Make this all" at a "suitable point". By "suitable point" I mean when 78 are at home in Major, Royal or Maximus. It is quite surprising how many people call "Make this all" when the poor tenor man is near to the lead!

There are a number of situations which can There are a number of situations which can arise and they cannot all be considered here. Basically, however, the problem is to bring 5 and 6 home, when 0, 1 or 2 bobs at home will bring the touch round. The most awkward situation occurs if the 6th is in 5ths place, in that at least one more course must be rung in order to bring the touch round. Some examples are given here but the actual calling may depend on the particular lead being rung by the tenor when it is decided to call the ringing round.

Example 1.—Coursing order 53462.

This can be called round by calling two middles. If, however, the middle lead has been passed, calls at before and wrong will have the same effect (and be one lead shorter if the touch is rung to completion).

In the above example it may be desirable to call "This is all" after the two bobs at middle when a 5678 roll-up occurs.

Example 2.—Coursing order 24365.

This can be called round by calling before and two homes. Alternatively two middles, two wrongs, two homes may be called, but this adds six leads as opposed to two in the

Example 3.—Coursing order 56234.

Two homes and one middle bring this into the plain course. Alternatively one home, two middles and two homes could be called.

It may be that the touch needs to be called round for some external reason, e.g., to finish in time for a service, and it may be desirable to change the method to Plain Bob at suitable lead-end, but it is difficult to generalise. [To be continued]

HEDGCOCK'S LAST FROM **CANTERBURY**

The retiring secretary of Christ Church College, Canterbury, Mr. James Hedgcock, decided to "go out with a bang" and arranged his last trip to London on May 10th.

Towers visited were St. Vedast's, Foster Lane; St. Andrew's, Holborn: St. Lawrence Jewry: St. James', Clerkenwell; St. Martin's, Gospel Oak; St. Anne's, Stamford Hill; St. Saviour's and St. Mary's, Walthamstow; St. Mary's, Leyton: All Saints', West Ham; and St. John-at-Hackney.

Special guests were Mr. Brian Bladon, of Swindon, and Mr. E. Venn, of Oxford, Ringing ranged from rounds to Yorkshire Surprise Major and Stedman Caters. The day was rounded off by a Chinese meal.

LATE NOTICE

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.— Eastern District. — Meeting, June 14th, Widford (6), 3-4.30: Hunsdon (8), 6.15-8.30. Regret tea own arrangements; would suggest picnic.—Peter M. S. Segrles.

LATE NOTICES

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION,— Annual general meeting. Winscombe Parish Hall, June 14th, 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Teu (5/-) 5.15 p.m. Names to J. H. Gilbert, 13, Fenshurst Gardens, Long Ashton, Bristol, by June 7th. Full details in annual report (2/6 post free to non-members). 7270

post free to non-members). 7270 LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Furness and Lake District Branch. — Meeting. Cartmel, Saturday, June 14th. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m., Names for tea to Mr. J. Nelson, South View, Cartmel, Grange-over-Sands.—T. F. Metcaffe,

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD,—Syston District joint with Loughborough District.—The next meeting will be held at Barrow-upon-Soar on Saturday, June 14th, Bells available: Walton-le-Wolds, 2,30–3,30 p.m.: Barrow-upon-Soar, 3,30–4,15 and after meeting. Service 4,15. Tea 5 p.m. in Church Hall. Names for tea to Miss Lyane Brookes, 1, Beveridge Street, Barrow-upon-Soar, Leics, by June 10th, 7254

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Guild will be held on Saturday, July 5th, at Christchurch. Meeting 2.30 and tea 5 in Priory Hall. Service 4 in the Priory. Names for tea should be sent to Mrs. M. Young, Gina, Sopley, Christchurch, Hants.—D. J. Forder, Henry Gen. Sec. Hon, Gen. Sec.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM

The secretary for the remainder of 1969 will be: Richard J. Tibbetts, 54, Sandringham Road. Perry Barr, Birmingham, 22B. Tel.: 021-356 4509.

ST. MARY'S, RICKMANSWORTH, HERTS

FLOWER FESTIVAL For Tower Restoration Fund Saturday, June 7th Ringing 2.30-4.30.

NORWICH DIOCESAN NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

--Western Branch. -- Quarterly meeting, May
31st, Watton. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service
4.30. Tea 5 p.m. followed by business meeting.--C. E. G. Banham, Hon. Sec. 7292

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Evening meeting, Swaffham Prior, Saturday, June 7th, Bells (6) 6.30-9 p.m.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—

Saturday, June 7th. Bells (6) 6.30-9 p.m. SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—Beginners' meeting, June 7th, West Hoathly (6), 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Turner's Hill (8) 6.15 p.m. Tea at Cat Inn, West Hoathly, at 4/-, for those who notify me by June 4th.—Jean Osbon, Div. Sec., 79, Blount Avenue, East Grinstead. Tel.: E.G. 23815.

ST. MARY'S, HARROW-ON-THE-HILL

A thanksgiving peal of 5,040 Stedman Triples will be attempted at St. Mary's, Harrow-on-the-Hill, on Saturday morning. June 7th, to open the eight-day festival which will celebrate the 875th anniversary

of its consecration by St. Anselm in 1094. Other events include a five-day flower display, art exhibition sponsored by Harrow Arts Society, a civic service, organ and choral concert by the augmented choir. presentation of "Everyman" (a morality play) by Harrow School, young peoples service, garden party and fete,

CHISWICK, MIDDX,—On April 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: C. R. Harris 1, Lesley Warwick 2, J. R. Ketteringham 3, D. Clarke 4, Mary Knight 5, D. Town 6, N. F. Edwards (cond.) 7, J. West (first quarter) 8. For Family Communion, and to wish Mary Knight the best of luck in her new career.

CHURCHILL, SOM.—On April 26th, 1,260 Doubles (11 methods): C. Field 1, B. Mills 2, B. Dodd (cond.) 3. J. Chaplin 4, C. Avery 5, W. Warren 6. First in 11 methods for all except 2. For the engagement of Christopher Avery and Pamela Dodd; also for the latter's 21st birthday.

COLESHILL, WARKS.—On May 4th, 1,260 Doubles (six meth./var.; 5, 6, 8 cover): A. G. Ensor 1, Anne E. Deebank 2, D. L. Hooper 3, Dawn Holly (first "inside") 4, Lynne Winfield 5, Elizabeth Clarke (first quarter) 6, L. L. Willis (cond.) 7, H. Walker 8. Rung for Confirmation, and as a tribute to the Vicar, Rev. E. F. A. Morgan, on appointment as honorary Canon of Birmingham Cathedral,

CONSTANTINE, CORNWALL. — On April 30th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Margatet A. B. Weston (cond.) 1, Barbara J. Duck 2, Rosemary Guy 3, P. G. Jeans 4, G. W. Riddy 5, W. S. Pryor 6. A compliment to Rev. R. O. Mossop on his appointment as an hon. Canon of Truro Cathedral.

COWBRIDGE, GLAM. — On April 24th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Patricia Thomas (first Grandsire Triples) 1, F. Housden 2, Veronica E. Dupré 3, Kate M. H. Branson (cond.) 4, W. G. Morgan (first Grandsire Triples) 5, H. Pickett 6, A. W. Thomas 7, A. W. Lloyd 8

ESSENDON, HERTS.—On April 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Gillian Farnes 1, Rosalind Thorne 2, Susan Farnes 3, Elizabeth Thorne 4, Paula Healing (cond.) 5, S, Healing 6. First quarter 1, 2, 4. First quarter by local band for at least ten years. For Evensong, and to mark the birth of a son to Anne and Michael Healing.

FILTON, GLOS.—On May 4th, 1.260 Plain Bob Doubles: Wendy Miller (first quarter) 1, A. Howard (75th quarter) 2, Mary Haslum (cond.) 3, D. C. Haslum 4, A. N. Blount 5, Hilary Dash (first quarter) 6. For Evensong, and as a birhtday compliment to ringers of 1 and 3.

FROME, SOM. — On April 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Joanne Fletcher 1, G. W. Massey 2, R. L. Coles 3, P. J. W. Hardwick 4, D. C. Hawkins 5, D. J. Orledge 6, D. G. Massey (cond.) 7, R. J. Kendrick 8, To celebrate the 21st birthday of Joanne Fletcher.

GOODRICH, HEREFORDS.—On April 27th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Morgan 1, W. Reece (cond.) 2, Howard Meek 3, J. Higgins 4, K. Watkins 5, Harold Meek 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. E. Gardner, a ringer at St. Giles' for many years.

GOOLE, YORKS.—On April 24th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Mrs. J. J. Taylor 1, M. Whitehurst 2, H. Ferrimen 3, R. J. F. Watson 4, J. J. Taylor 5, L. M. Woodhead (cond.) 6. First quarter 2 and 3. In memoriam Horace S. Morley, who died on April 17th 1969

HAILSHAM, SUSSEX.—On April 22nd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. Booth 1, Miss V. Titherly 2, G. Beeney 3, G. Titherly 4, B. Stepney (cond.) 5, Miss A. Bradbury 6. An 80th birthday compliment to ringer of 1

HAREFIELD, MIDDX.—On April 25th (Anzac Day), 1,440 Kent T.B. Minor: Miss P. Gough I, W. Knight 2, Miss A. Horsford 3, R. Russ 4, F. H. Corke 5, T. J. Lock (cond.) 6. Rung in memorlam the men who died at Harefield Military Hospital during the Great War and are buried in their own Garden of Rest in Harefield Churchyard.

HEREFORD.—At the Cathedral, on May 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Claudia A. Sherwood (first on ten) 1. L. Evans 2, R. A. Hatcher 3, F. R. Harris 4, T. E. Wood 5, P. L. Hughes 6, M. V. Powell 7, P. D. Sell 8, A. T. Wingate 9, A. G. Semken (cond.) 10, Rung after the installation of Canon N. S. Rathbone as Dean of Hereford Cathedral.

MAIDSTONE, KENT.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, on Easter Day, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Alison Levick 1, Rosemary Ellis 2, M. L. Howe 3, E. Jenner 4, B. F. L. Groves 5, S. A.

B. Wigg (cond.) 6,
MITCHELDEAN. GLOS.—On May 8th, 1,260
Grandsire Doubles: Nicola Paton (aged 41, first quarter) 1, Susan Paton (first Grandsire) 2, Ann Brain (first Grandsire) 3, Mrs. B. Paton 4, A. A. Paton (cond.) 5, R. Smith (aged 13) 6. To welcome the Rector on his full return to ringing after his spinal operation. First quarter to include the whole Paton family

QUARTER PEALS

MINSTER-IN-SHEPPEY, KENT. — On Feb. 23rd, 1,260 Doubles (11 meth./var.): Susan Goodwin 1, Jane Bryant 2, Mira Ford 3, Marianne Leworthy 4, D. Leworthy (cond) 5, Ann Bryant 6. For Girl Guides' service. Also on March 30th, 1,260 Doubles (13 meth./var.): Susan Goodwin 1, Glynis Poppleton 2, Jane Bryant 3, Marianne Leworthy 4, D. Leworthy (cond.) 5, Ann Bryant 6. For Evensong. Also on April 6th, 1,260 Doubles (18 meth./var.): Susan Goodwin 1, Mira Ford 2, Jane Bryant 3, Marianne Leworthy 4, D. Leworthy (cond.) 5, Joan Exeter 6. Also on April 20th, 1,260 Doubles (11 meth./var.): Same band, with Ann Bryant 6, Rung for Evensong by the band which won the striking competition of the Rochester District.

MONKEN HADLEY, HERTS.—On April 25th, 1,260 Pl. B. Minor: Harriet Platten 1, J. Platten 2, M. Soper 3, Valerie Maynard 4, C. Ward 5, T. Pink (first as cond.) 6, R. Taylor 8. First in method 1, 2 and 4. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. Graham Wallis, J.P.

NAILSEA, SOM. — On May 6th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): H. Hardwidge 1, L. Derrick (cond.) 2, E. Davey 3, C. Korright 4, J. Lott 5, A. R. Tovey (first quarter) 6.

NEWBOLD-ON-AVON, WARKS, — On May 4th, 1,260 St. John's Doubles: Carol A. Eveleigh 1, W. C. Budd 2, J. G. Edgson 3, P. M. Edgson 4, A. G. Eveleigh (cond.) 5, G. Allen 6. For the Patronal Festival of St. John's, Long Lawford, in the Parish of Newbold.

NORTHREPPS, NORFOLK.—On May 8th, 1,356 Minor (720 Oxford T.B., 636 Plain Bob): N. Golden (cord.) 1, Ivy Carter 2, H. F. Carter 3, R. Balls 4, D. Gray 5, D. W Pardon 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of Cyril Pooley, for many years captaln of the ringers and parish clerk here.

OLD ALRESFORD, HANTS.—On May 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: R. Palmer (first quarter) 1, Ann Palmer (first "inside") 2, Dorothy M. Huggins 3, J. Huggins 4, L. Tremeer (cond.) 5, Wanda Oberman (first quarter) 6.

OTTERSHAW, SURREY. — On April 26th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): S. Holmes 1, I. F. Taylor 2, P. V. W. Feast (cond.) 3, J. M. Warmon (first St. Martin's "inside") 4, J. P. Ladd 5, R. L. Pashley (tower captain) and Miss M. Theobald on their engagement.

QUEENBOROUGH - IN - SHEPPEY, KENT. — On April 6th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): Glynis Foppleton 1. S. Rayfield 2, W. A. Wood 3, Jane Bryant 4, D. P. Leworthy (cond.) 5. Ann Bryant 6. Rung for Evensong.

RAYLEIGH, ESSEX. — On April 23rd, 1,280 Pi. Bob Major: A. House (cond.) 1, Valerie Nash (first "inside") 2, Janet Hallett 3, F. May 4, M. Hallett 5, C Warboys 6, T. Sharpe 7, D. Belcham 8. For Evensong.

RUISHTON, SOM.—On April 11th, 1,260 Doubles (2 M, 1 V.): Miss F, Gadd 1, K, E, Beale (cond.) 2, M. A. Arscott 3, R. A. C. Cross 4, J. Cornelius 5, A. W. Knight 6.

SEND, SURREY.—On May 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Sole 1, Miss A. Anthony 2, J. King (cond.) 3, H. Colcombe 4, D. Munday 5, S. Strudwick 6, In memory of W. A. Goldstone, and for Rogation Sunday.

SHEFFIELD, YORKS.—At St. Marie's Church, on April 27th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Susan Brown (first quarter) 1, P. Norman 2, Janet Walker 3, R. Padbury 4, J. Seagar 5, J. D. Cooper 6, I. Dear (cond.) 7, S. R. Cole 8. For Evening Mass by Sheffield University Guild.

SILKSTONE, YORKS.—On May 4th, 1,320 Oxford T.B. Minor (closed leads): E. Stainrod 1, A. Dunn-Birch 2, Miss F. A. Garfield 3, P. Charlesworth 4, P. Carbutt (cond.) 5, H. Mann 6, For Evensong; also to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. L. Wood on their golden wedding on May 5th.

STEEP, HANTS.—On April 26th, 1,320 Grandsire Doubles: Jennifer L. Quaife 1, A. Gill 2, D. Cooper 3 M. E. Cass 4, B. J. Fry (first "inside" and first as cond.) 5, W. Willans 6, Longest length 2 and 3, A birthday compliment to David Cooper and Lealey Lodges.

STROUD, GLOS.—On April 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. Cantor 1, T. Pritchard 2, Sara Cornock 3, F. Garland 4, P. Barton 5, R. Watts 6, R. Cornock (first as cond.) 7, R. T. Ashby 8. For the induction of Rev. P. Minall as Vicar of Stroud; also for the Queen's birthday.

SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.—On April 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Wilson (first quarter, aged 10) 1, Katharine Burchnall 2, Grace Burchnall (cond.) 3, Susan Moxon 4, H. Hawcroft 5, A. Wilson 6. For Evensons

SWINDON, WILTS.—At Christ Church, on March 26th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Mrs. C. New (first of Caters) 1, Miss W. E. Marriott 2, Miss V, Ballard (first Caters "inside") 3, Miss J. Davidge 4, M. J. Stanley 5, M. New 6, R. Everall (first Caters) 7. L. F. Cobb 8, E. Sutton (cond.) 9, M. Sutton 10. Also on Easter Day, 1,264 P.B. Major: R. Everall 1, Mrs. J. Minchin 2, P. Minchin 3, R. Hulme 4, M. Sutton 5, E. Sutton (cond.) 6, M. Stanley 7, W. W. T. Daniell 8.

SWINESHEAD, LINCS.—On April 12th, 1,260 Pl. Bob Minor (tenor covering): R. D. Holland 1, R. Reynolds 2, R. Howard 3, W. B. Dawson 4, R. Stephenson 5, P. H. Reynolds (cond.) 6, C. Stubley 7. For the diamond wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. G. Houghton.

TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY, ESSEX.—On April 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: T. St. J. Chamberlain (first quarter) 1, G. A. Smith (first "inside") 2, S. A. Waters 3, Anne Edwards 4, G. A. Bainbridge 5, Jane Foster (cond.) 6. A compliment to Miss Ann Kingham, daughter of the Vicar of Great Baddow, on her marriage.

TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH. — On April 13th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Erica J. Pankhurst I, A. F. Lee 2, D. A. Burt 3, Kay Whittaker 4, Shirley A. Cox (first Surprise as cond.) 5, R. L. Coles 6. A compliment to Alfred Hucklebridge on completing 50 years in the choir of this church. Also on April 27th, 1,260 Doubles (two methods): Cherry Stapleford 1, A. F. Lee 2, Erica J. Pankhurst (first as cond.) 3, Kay Whittaker 4, I. P. Cox 5, M. J. Hawkins 6. For Evensong.

WARBLETON, SUSSEX.—On April 25th, 1,260 Pl. Bob Minor: A. Turner 1, Christine Baldock 2, Gillian MacAdam 3, B. Stepney 4, A. Baldock (50th of Pl. Bob and 100th as cond.) 5, W. Ledward 6.

WARNFORD, HANTS.—On April 15th, 1,260 Pl. Bob Minor: D. Pearce 1, Mary White 2, R. A. Stone 3, C. E. Bassett 4, D. Hatherley 5, K. G. Waller (cond.) 6.

WASHFIELD, DEVON.—On May 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. M. M. Blanch 1, W. J. Ransom 2, H. Ransom 3, C. G. Barnes 4, W. Ware (cond.) 5, J. Bellamy 6.

WATERLOO, LONDON.—At St. John's Church, on April 30th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: W. D. Grainger I, E. J. Adams 2, Gwendoline G. Meyer 3, Rosemary J. Cotton 4, M. R. Wycherley 5, L. C. Way 6, C. M. Meyer (cond.) 7, D. K. Woodward (first quarter) 8 To commemorate the 200th anniversary of the birth of the Duke of Wellington.

WEST WICKHAM, KENT.—On April 20th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. A. Butler (first as cond.) 1, Jacqueline Allen 2, C. J. Mundy (first "inside") 3, Wm. A. Hughes 4, P. R. Butler 5, A. S. Richards 6. Also on April 27th, 1,320 Treble Bob Minor (Oxford, Kent): Jacqueline Allen 1, A. S. Richards 2, P. R. Butler 3, S. H. Gay 4, J. E. Cannell 5, M. A. Gay (first in method as cond.) 6. To welcome Alison, daughter of John and Susan Cannell, born 10/4/69.

WIMBLEDON, S.W.—On March 30th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: M. Burn 1, D. Budd 2, Rosamund Rawlings 3, Elizabeth Bangham 4, M. Bangham (cond.) 5, A. Bagworth 6. In memory of General Eisenhower,

WINCHESTER, HANTS.—At the Cathedral, on Easter Day, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Philippa Tubbs 1, R, H. Youdale 2, P. N. Tubbs 3, Katharine Maundrell (first as cond.) 4, J. A. Dodd 5, G. Grant 6, C. H. Kippin 7, C. Williams 3, First quarter on the middle gipt

WOODBOROUGH, NOTTS.—On March 22nd, 1,280 Minimus (two methods): Lynne Hoskins 1, Patricia M. Hayward (cond.) 2, D. W. Flower 3, P. L. R. Hayward 4. Following the wedding of Sheila Anne Cooling and David Alan Partridge, Also on April 5th, 1,296 Minimus (three methods): Same company. Following the wedding of Nina Peck and Robert Hallam.

WOODBRIDGE, SUFFOLK.—On April 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: S. D. Pettman 1, G. R. Goodship 2, M. Daniels 3, Sylvia R. E. Pipe 4, A. S. Woodard 5, J. Winram 6, C. W. Pipe (cond.) 7, E. G. Pearce 8, Rung half-muffled as a tribute to General Dwight

YAXLEY, HUNTS.—On April 29th, 1,260 Pl. Bob Minor: Christine H. Beeton (first quarter) 1, J. R. Charlton 2, W. J. Rikey 3, T. H. Loweth 4, J. M. Tyler (cond.) 5, J. E. David 6. Rung to welcome the arrival of a niece for the conductor and a son for the curate and his wife (Rev. and Mrs. Aveling).

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