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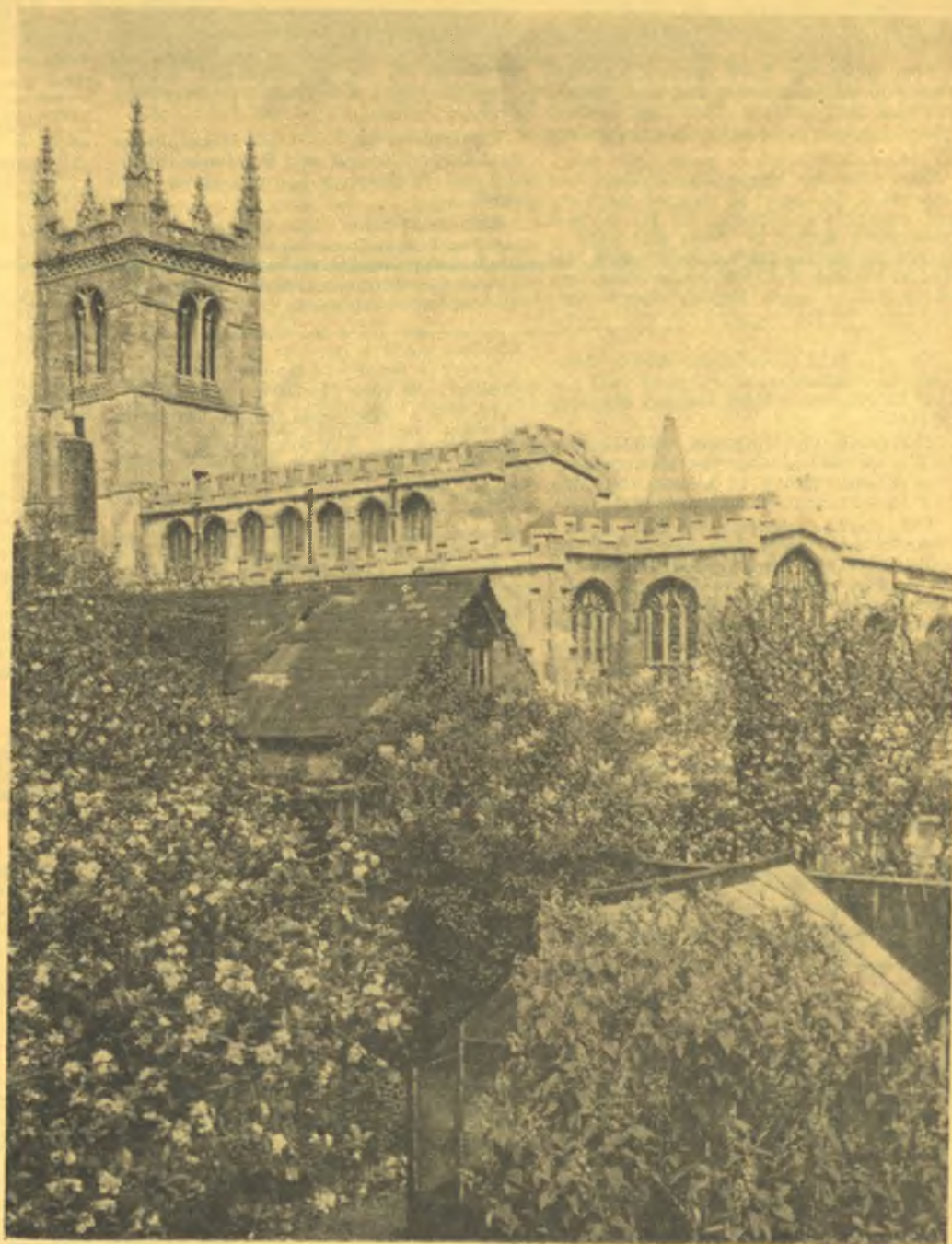
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**St. Martin,  
Stamford Baron,  
Northants**



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## Cover Picture

St. Martin, Stamford Baron,  
Northants

ST. MARTIN was born about A.D. 315 in Sabaria in the Province of Pannonia in the Roman Empire, now the village of Szombat.

At the age of 18 he enlisted in the Roman Army and, like his father, soon rose to officer rank and was then issued with a magnificent white cloak, part sheepskin, worn over close-fitting armour, as his uniform.

While still a young officer he was posted at Amiens on garrison duty, and one bitterly freezing winter's day he took compassion upon the cries of a poor beggar, shivering with cold, who arrived at the gate where he was on guard. He cut his cloak in half with his sword and gave one half to the beggar.

That night the Lord Jesus Christ appeared to him in a vision and said: "Know ye who hath arrayed Me? My servant, Martin, though not yet baptised, hath done this."

Soon after this Martin was baptised, and later on at the age of 40 resigned the Army and entered the ministry. In 371 he was consecrated Bishop of Tours and lived to govern his diocese for nearly 30 years. He died at the age of 82. It is, therefore, very fitting that so many English churches are dedicated to the memory of this soldier saint.

The original Church of St. Martin, Stamford, was built between the years 1133 and 1147 by Martin de Vecti and was destroyed in 1461.

The present building was built between 1480 and 1484 during the episcopate of John Russel, Bishop of Lincoln. St. Martin's then being in the Diocese of Lincoln.

The church comprises a fine western tower, exterior walls with embattled parapets, a nave with clerestories and north and south aisles prolonged to flank the tower (with vestries for clergy and choir formed by modern screens). A spiral staircase leads from the choir vestry to the ringing and bell chambers, where hangs the ring of six bells with a tenor of 14 cwt. 10 lb., cast by C. and G. Mears (London) in 1850; they were tuned and rehung in the old oak frame by Messrs. Taylor and Co. in 1928.

Several peals have been rung here, the first in 1897 by the St. Martin's Scholars, conducted by Rev. H. Law James, who was curate at the church at that time.

On April 28, 1951, the Marquess and Marchioness of Exeter sat for over an hour and listened to a peal being rung by the local band to commemorate their golden wedding anniversary. It was conducted by John H. Bluff, who later framed a record of this and it stood on a table in the main entrance to Burghley House until the Marquess died in 1956. It now hangs in the belfry of St. Martin's.

The font is possibly from the original church. The panels of the octagonal bowl are carved with window tracery design of the early 14th century.

Passing down the centre aisle we see on the north side of the chancel the Burghley Chapel, where the magnificent monument to Sir William Cecil, Lord Burghley, K.G., Lord High Treasurer of England, stands. It is richly carved and painted and Lord Burghley is shown in his armour with a mantle bearing on the left shoulder the badge of the Order of the Garter, his head

on a pillow of gold brocade, his wand of office in his right hand and a lion at his feet.

On the east wall is a memorial tablet showing the family crest of William Thomas Brownlow, 5th Marquess of Exeter, K.G. (who died in 1956), over which hangs his banner as a Knight of the Garter. During his lifetime it hung over his stall in St. George's Chapel, Windsor. The chapel is still used by the present Marquess and Marchioness of Exeter.

On the south wall of the south aisle is a memorial to Henry Fryer, of St. Martin's, Stamford Baron, who died in 1823 aged 61 years; having through life been a friend to the poor, he finally devoted to their use the bulk of his estate. He was the founder and benefactor of the Stamford and Rutland Hospital, which was opened on August 5, 1828.

The present parish of St. Martin, Stamford Baron, includes also St. Martin's Without and Wothorpe and covers about 1,700 acres.

Stamford Baron has had an entirely separate history from the town of Stamford itself, being outside the town walls. The church was transferred to the newly-formed Diocese of Peterborough in 1541.

Before we leave all the dignity of St. Martin's mention must be made of Daniel Lambert, a native of Leicester, who died in Stamford on June 21, 1809, aged 39 years.

He was a great figure indeed, but hardly dignified. In the separate churchyard south east of the church is a monument erected as a testimony of respect by his friends in Leicester: it records that he was possessed of an exalted and convivial mind and in personal greatness had no competitor. He measured 3 ft. 1 in. round the leg, 9 ft. 4 in. round the body, he was 5 ft. 11 in. in height and weighed 52 stone 11 lb. A painting of the man hangs in the George Hotel, Stamford.

Visitors to Stamford will enjoy seeing the architectural features of this Church of St. Martin and the other churches in the small country town and to read some of the historical associations connected with it.

J. H. BLUFF.

## EDUCATING THE PUBLIC

(Another Version)

The Gloucester and Bristol Association  
Exhibitions

Recently the Gloucester Diocese held an exhibition in and around the Cathedral, mainly with the purpose of keeping young people who had been confirmed during the last three years interested in the activities of the Church and other bodies which cater for young people. The association were asked if they wished to participate, and readily agreed to put on an exhibit to let these young people know something about our Exercise.

As this was a young people's show the job of assembling and setting up the exhibit was left to the younger members of Barnwood, Mitcheldean and St. Mary de Lode, Gloucester, material was supplied from association property and from the hon. secretary's private collection, and a model

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bell from Sandhurst. Permission was obtained to use tape recordings of bells and to sell the Central Council Handbook for Beginners (and a number were sold). Forms were also available for those interested in "having a go" to fill in, and these have been sent to the nearest tower with bells for action. We may have obtained a few recruits in this way.

Within a short time we learned that the village of Great Witcombe was having an open week-end to raise money for the church roof. There was to be ringing, alternating with organ recitals, every half-hour all day Saturday, and on Sunday until Evensong. David Pobjoy organised this, and at least 70 different ringers from neighbouring towers, besides the local band, took part. We asked permission to put a few posters at the back of the church, and finished up with a large exhibition in a garage, which was visited by at least 500 people over the Friday, Saturday and Sunday. And we sold a number of handbooks and obtained names of several who want to learn more.

Both exhibits were basically the same—books, photographs, copies of *The Ringing World*, model bells and posters setting out why and how we ring. There can be no doubt about the good which all this has done, and many asked if we could do something to get their bells ringing again. One lady was disappointed—she had never heard the bells of her church, and it turned out this was because the church had no bells!

Visitors came from places as far apart as Cornwall and Northumberland, from the East Coast and from Wales. Other associations might well make up an exhibit for use in local church events—ours is going to Coalpit Heath later this year. The exhibition at Witcombe was manned during the whole of the time by the hon. secretary, his wife and the association chairman, whilst at the Cathedral the young members who set it up had a rota, several being present for the times of opening. C.R.





London County Association.

**IN RUTLAND AND NORTHANTS**

Early in July the members of the London County Association left South Kensington for Rutland and Northamptonshire. The day started off rainy but by the time coffee was taken at Stamford the weather had improved and it remained hot and sunny.

At the first tower, Oakham, the eight

bells were rung, while a few were able to take a quick look at the nearby "Horseshoe Hall." It was a short ride to Somerby, to a reunion with the Stimpsons, who, with a few helpers, had prepared a magnificent lunch in the village hall—all home-cooking and Stilton cheeses. With great difficulty the coach load was persuaded to move on to the ten at Melton Mowbray, and then to Kettering, where the stallholders in the market square had already heard sufficient

ringing for the day with a wedding earlier in the afternoon. After tea at Bedford we rang the ten at St. Paul's, where some of the best ringing of the day included Yorkshire Surprise Royal.

Our thanks to the organiser, Frank Udall, the incumbents and tower captains of the churches visited, and the ladies who prepared the mammoth spread for a 50-seater coach party. A. S. B., D. B.

**WESSEX PEAL WEEK**

This year the Wessex ringers donned warm clothes and went north to Nottingham (Midlands, some tell us, but North for us). We were truly a band of Wessex ringers with members from Devon, Somerset, Dorset and Hampshire, and we decided to ring the peals for the guild to which all belonged—Salisbury.

On July 26 we assembled in Nottingham and rang for Evensong at St. Peter's. The first peal attempt was at Radcliffe-on-Trent, where Lincolnshire was scored, and Chris Longridge was congratulated on his first of Surprise Major. The afternoon attempt was at Bottesford, where Bill Perrins was to call London. The first course was so good that when three listeners who had headed for Grantham for afternoon tea, returned, to hear the last hour or so's ringing, they were dismayed to find that the clapper of the third had fallen out during the second course! Three of the party made up the loss with a peal of Bob Minor in hand.

Early on Tuesday we arrived at Bulwell for a peal of Rutland, which was duly scored, David Massey confidently conducting. A hasty snack and on to Ruddington, where Tim called a John Longridge composition to Yorkshire. Another hasty snack and off to Nottingham (St. Peter's) for Bob Dennis to call Cambridge Maximus. Everyone was tired and hungry, especially Graham Elmes, who had rung in all three peals.

**COMPLETED THE FAMILY**

On Wednesday we rang a very good peal of nine-spliced at Eastwood, which Richard Youdale called from the treble. In the afternoon we continued last year's success by scoring a peal of Stedman Triples at Greasley, which Bob Dennis called from the tenor. Mary Elmes was delighted to ring her first of Triples in the method, so completing the family. We stayed at a

very good hotel near Lincoln and were all fit by the morning and ready for the big job of the week—Louth. Ron Marlow rang the tenor magnificently to Cambridge Major; a very good peal was scored and a triumphant card sent to A. P. C. We then made our way to Lincoln, where Richard Inglis called a peal of Stedman Cinques.

Next morning Tim Collins proved that he could push a tenor as well as the best of them by bringing round four-spliced on the 18 cwt. eight at St. Giles', Lincoln, in under three hours. Katharine Maundrell called a peal of Superlative at Sutton-on-Trent, very appropriate in this well-known ladies' tower. The Misses Burchnell kindly provided tea for the party of 13 hungry West Countrymen (no mean feat) and later we were treated to a wine and cheese party by Richard Inglis.

**THE LAST DAY**

Too soon it was the last day of the Peal Week, and with 100 per cent. success (apart from the attempt at Bottesford, a failure which was not our fault) we were determined to finish well. The party divided to ring a fast peal of nine-spliced at Balderton and a more sedate but physically harder peal of Yorkshire at Colston Basset. Alas, in the afternoon we spoiled our record, for the attempt for Cambridge Royal at Nottingham (St. Mary's) drifted into a spell of very rough ringing during the second course and was set up. This was a disappointment, but everyone was tired, and the one advantage was that it enabled most of the party to make an early start for home.

The success of the Week has proved that West Countrymen are not so much in the backwoods as once was thought. Thanks are due to Bill Perrins and Richard Inglis for the organisation, to John Blackwood for his good offices in arranging Louth and to all incumbents and ringers, without whose support we should have had no tour.

ULMUS.

**KENT RINGERS INVADE N. WALES**

The second tour organised by members of the Ashford District got under way at 3 a.m. on Sunday, July 26, when six of the thirteen staggered into the minibus at Rolvenden. By the time we reached Charing, at 4.15 a.m., we were all aboard and amazingly alert for that unearthly hour of the morning.

After a watery breakfast (rain accompanied our journey with a vengeance) and a ring at Chippenham, Wiltshire, we soon arrived in Wales and erected the three tents at Cwmdu in Breconshire.

From this base we set out every morning to travel about 150 miles to visit five towers each day, returning in the evening to relax gratefully in the Farmers Arms!

David and Jenny Manger joined us for Monday and Tuesday nights, cramping our style in the tents and being a great help with the ten- and twelve-bell rings on Tuesday.

Altogether, 24 towers were visited, including the heaviest ring in Wales (Pentre Rhondda) and the one twelve (Newport Cathedral). The ringing achieved quite a high standard, with many Surprise methods being rung.

Non-ringing activities included a climb to the top of a mountain (which was higher than expected!), a visit to a waterfall (which one unfortunate decided to sit in!), much sight-seeing (with great admiration for the fantastic views) and a sing-song in the local (which established our arrival).

Apart from the minibus getting overheated and having to be pushed over the brow of a particular beacon, and the day we had mushrooms for breakfast, the tour was a great success, and our thanks go to our organiser of the tour and the two who did the "pedalling." Our thanks, too, to the incumbents and local ringers of the towers we visited for their co-operation and, most of all—thank you, Wales!

MAD MEN OF KENT (AND MAIDENS).



**Southampton University Guild.****WATERWHEEL II**

Following the enormous success of Waterwheel '69, 27 members of S.U.G.C.R. once again took to the canals this year aboard "Greylag" and "Grebe," the latter a heroine from Waterwheel '69. However, it soon became apparent that she had recognised her crew, for she showed her disapproval by overheating at regular intervals for the whole of the week!

During the 160-mile journey the band enjoyed ringing at 14 Midland towers.

The trend of weather for the week was set on arrival at the unique double-towered St. Mary's, Rugby, by a torrential thunder/hail storm. Undaunted, most of the group managed to reach the wharf on time to set off for Norton, the stopping-place for the night, negotiating Braunston locks and tunnel en route.

Most of Sunday was taken up by canalising; the navigation of Foxton and Watford locks and Crick and Husbands Bosworth tunnels, the latter reputedly haunted. "Grebe's" courtesy in allowing "Greylag" to overtake just before Crick tunnel was explained when "Grebe" stopped in mid-tunnel to allow some of her crew to ring a quarter on the handbells. Foxton tower was visited the same evening.

An early start on Monday morning brought the band to the pleasant eight at Market Harborough by 9 a.m.

Progress to Leicester was difficult. It seemed strange that there was a distinct lack of water at the lower level, whilst the summit level was nearly overflowing. Efforts to rectify this were foiled by a British Waterways official determined to defy the Law of Gravity!

Having enjoyed the glorious ring of 12 at St. Margaret's, Leicester (which, incidentally, has an unusual ringers' window), brisk progress was made downstream the Soar to All Saints', Loughborough. Unfortunately, with half the band stranded on board a rather sick "Grebe" outside Loughborough, the remainder were not able to do justice to these fine bells.

Thence to the Taylor foundry, where the campanile bells were rung before most of the band were fortunate enough to be taken on a tour of the foundry.

Owing to the fact that by now "Grebe" had become extremely temperamental as regards movement, an incredibly early start was necessary to arrive punctually at the Burton-on-Trent towers. Even so, some members of the band found a swift walk across the by-pass the only way to arrive on time at Horningblow to ring on the steel bells. All credit is due to the local band who have brought these back into use; they are quite an experience to ring—and listen to! Having visited the three excellent rings at St. Paul's (10), St. Modwen's (8) and All Saints' (6), a sampling of the local hostelry in this brewery town nearly met with disaster when a (female) member of the party requested Newcastle brown ale!

Alrewas was the next port of call and ringing in a variety of methods was enjoyed on the pleasant light eight. The heavy five at Mancetter provided a marked, and exhausting, contrast.

To reach the final tower, at Shilton (a beautiful six), the crew of the obstreperous "Grebe" were forced to "abandon ship" and hitch-hike.

With the two boats supposedly securely moored ("Greylag" later, under dubious

**THE 150th CHURCH**

The following report appeared in The West Briton on August 3rd, 1970:—

St. Clement Parish Church became the 150th church in Cornwall with five or more bells when, on August 2, the Bishop of Truro, the Rt. Rev. J. M. Key, dedicated the two new bells to augment the former ring to six.

The new treble bell is dedicated to the memory of Miss Violet Lash, sister of the vicar of St. Clement, Bishop W. Q. Lash. Miss Lash was an enthusiastic supporter of the bell fund which was begun some 18 months ago.

Now the money required has been raised, and during the Sung Eucharist the six bells rang out for the first time at Sunday worship.

**WALK REALISES OVER £300**

The young band of ringers at St. Clement, supported by the vicar and church council, organised a series of fund-raising activities, the most successful being a sponsored walk, which raised over £300.

A bell once at the ruined Merther Church was also used by the bellfounders, and this offset the cost by about £100.

After the service Mr. Alan Carveth, president of the Truro Diocesan Guild of Ringers and a member of the Bell Fund Committee, gave a talk on the advantages of six bells. He welcomed St. Clement tower as the 150th in Cornwall to have five or more bells.

At Evensong visiting bellringers, including some from Wales and Somerset, rang before and after the service, and the preacher was the Rev. A. R. W. Gray, rector of Merther, just across the river from St. Clement.

The new bells bear the following inscriptions: First bell: Remembering Violet Lash. "Rabbuni." The second bell: "Come, Lord Jesus." Both bells bear the names: W. Q. Lash, vicar, and A. G. Moor and C. H. Sibley, churchwardens, and the fact that they were cast in 1970 using metal from the bell formerly at Merther.

circumstances, untied herself and cleverly pushed herself off into mid-stream), the crews played inter-boat rounders/baseball/softball with paddle and rolled-up T-shirt.

Next morning, with the list of "sundry articles lost overboard" reaching astronomical lengths, the boats slowly chugged back into Rugby, with their occupants thoroughly satisfied with the guild's second canalling summer tour. J. A. L., G. M. S.

**Middlesex County Association.****INVITATION TO RUISLIP RINGERS**

The summer meeting of the South and West District on August 1 at Cranford and Heston made for a pleasant afternoon and evening—good weather, a good attendance of members and visitors, a good variety of ringing at both towers, and an excellent tea prepared by the Heston band.

The agenda for the business meeting was not long and was soon disposed of. In a report on the local bands at certain towers, there was good news of progress at Hayes and Stanwell, but it was disappointing to learn that regular ringing at Feltham has ceased. One new member was elected—Mr. Andrew Perryman (Stanwell). Mrs. Elsie Savory invited all to a social evening to be held at Ruislip Church Hall on October 3 in aid of the (very necessary) rehanging of Ruislip bells, and the association master (Mr. T. J. Lock) spoke of the centenary of the birth of William Pye, a past master of the association.

**IN NORTH WALES**

Mr. Les Wright again organised a very successful tour of North Wales, when several ringers from Rougham tower were joined by others from Beccles, Diss, Ipswich, Elveden, Horringer, Pulham Market, South Lopham and Thetford, and by friends. The first stop was Lutterworth for lunch and the first belfry visited Llangollen. Mr. Nefound met the ringers and several Major methods were rung. The party then travelled to the Hall of Residence, Noud Emrys Evans, Bangor, University.

Saturday was a lovely day and the party went by the coast route to St. Mary's, Rhuddlan, ringing the six bells there. We then went to Ruthin and were joined by Mr. Millward and two other ringers from Buckley tower, who assisted us on our way and joined in the ringing. After lunch Mr. Millward piloted us to St. Mary's, Mold, when the six were rung. Here, too, John Otley was successful in gaining access to the organ, and whilst the bells were heard from without the organ was enjoyed within.

At the next belfry, St. Cynfarch, Hope, Miss Margaret Price met the ringers, and following tea at Wrexham all ringers were taken to St. Giles', Wrexham, to ring in the only 10-bell tower of the tour. The best tower of the day was St. Matthew's, Buckley, and we were surprised to see a Norfolk ringer, Ernie Mastin, awaiting us. He had been ringing there that afternoon on a university tour.

The last visit that day was to St. Deinol, Hawarden, where Gladstone's tomb and memorial garden are situated. Mr. Ames met the ringers and Noud Emrys Evans Hall was reached very late that night.

On Sunday the party attended service at St. David's, Bangor, and afterwards climbed the steps and rang Major methods. Later they visited Snowdon, some making the train trip to the top.

Monday we travelled via the coast road, first stopping at a church without bells at Bodelwyddan, noted for the marble work and rich carvings, which was well worth while. The only belfry this day was St. Mary's, Flint. After lunch we stopped for some time at Llandudno and returned to Bangor early that evening for an enjoyable social evening.

Next morning the party expressed thanks to Les Wright for his organisation and he was presented with an electric drill.

We made a pleasant homeward journey, stopping at Wellington for lunch and Newport Pagnell for tea. Most of the party are looking forward to another tour in 1971.

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**WILLIAM PYE IN CORNWALL**

By CANON A. S. ROBERTS

Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd's interesting article on William Pye and the reference to his last peal at Heavitree in September, 1934, at once reminded me that this was rung on his way home after a tour in Cornwall, which was a memorable one for members of the Truro Guild for several reasons. William Pye had first come to Cornwall in 1913 on a tour which must have brought several disappointments to the band. Illness near Kenwyn Church prevented a peal attempt there and the time was spent "seeing the sights of Truro" (Ringing World report) until 8.15 p.m., when "we were allowed to sample the Cathedral bells with a few touches." A peal was not permitted. Compensation for these disappointments was a second peal at Kea the next morning, starting soon after 6 a.m. so that the band could get to St. Andrew's, Plymouth, for a later attempt and yet another disappointment as the clapper dropped out of the 9th. Five peals had been rung in Cornwall, but these were credited to the Devon Guild, the methods being Cambridge, Superlative, Bristol and London. In this party was A. W. Brighton (referred to by Mr. Shepherd), whose business many years later used to bring him to Cornwall most summers. His enthusiasm and help was always a tremendous encouragement. This little man was amongst the cleverest of ringers and one can well imagine why William Pye included him in his peal bands. He had many stories to tell of their activities together both on tower- and hand-bells as well as of his early days in Norwich, where he had learned to ring with J. Armiger Trollope. Although being such a great ringer he was at home with the humblest.

**HIS LAST TOUR**

William Pye revisited Cornwall on a tour in 1934, which proved to be his last. It was a pleasure to help with the arrangements on behalf of Charles T. Coles, who was the correspondent. General excitement prevailed in Truro, for touring bands came so infrequently some 30 to 40 years ago, in fact the previous tour in Cornwall was eight years earlier, in 1926, when George R. Pye was one of William H. Fussell's band, and he came again with his brother William. The 1934 tour began at Yeovil on Saturday, September 15, with a peal of Cambridge Surprise Royal—the first of Surprise Royal for the Truro Guild. The first peal in Cornwall was at Ladock the next afternoon, Sunday. I cycled out from Truro to greet the band and to listen to Bristol. Later we were joined by our visitors at the Cathedral for our Sunday evening ringing. Thus it was the tour began and during the week ten peals were rung as well as help given at local practices, but the highlight of this was when four of the Truro band rang their first peal of Stedman Triples at Kea with C. T. Coles, G. R. Pye, Gabriel Lindoff and R. T. Hibbert. This peal and that at St. Mary's, Penzance, were the only two in which William Pye did not ring. He conducted Cambridge Royal at Truro from the tenor, this being his last ten-bell peal and on a bell he had waited 21 years to conquer. On the Saturday morning he conducted London from the tenor at St. Stephen-in-Brannel, where a tablet records this (his last as conductor, I believe) to go on and ring another, his last, at Heavitree later in the day. It was in Cornwall that the last big programme in a great career was achieved.

**Peterborough Diocesan Guild.  
IN LONDON**

A party of ringers from the Peterborough Guild and their friends went on a day's outing to London on August 15, when the day's events started with a visit to the Whitechapel Bell Foundry. We spent a very enjoyable morning with Mr. William Hughes, who showed us every aspect of bell founding from mediæval times right up to the present day. After lunch we visited St. Michael's, Cornhill, to ring on the fine 12 (tenor 42 cwt.), where we managed some quite good ringing despite the weight. The next tower was St. Olave's, Hart Street, and everybody enjoyed the easy-going bells. Following tea we went to St. Clement Danes' in the Strand, where the best ringing of the day took place on the fine ring of ten. The final tower was St. Luke's, Chelsea, where we were met by Mr. John Lott. The bells are a pleasant ring of ten and the youngsters managed them very well.

Our sincere thanks to all tower captains and incumbents for helping us have such an enjoyable day. N. E. T.

**A RINGER PARSON IN BOTSWANA**

From a founder member of the Roving Ringers, Rev. Alan Butler (of Bourne-mouth), we learn that at an open-air service the bell for his church, Holy Trinity, Gaborones, Botswana, was dedicated. The service was conducted in two languages and was a thanksgiving for the completion of the church. The bell was cast by the Whitechapel Bell Foundry and was inscribed: "TLAUG; TLAUG; TLAUG" (Come! come! come!). Fr. Butler is returning to England in September.

**SET STANDARD**

It is a matter of much interest that 21 years after William Pye's first tour of Cornwall the methods rung, apart from the Stedman Triples, were again the same—Cambridge, Superlative, Bristol and London, which points in part to the set standard which prevailed up to the last war at least. These men really knew the methods they were to ring with profitable and convincing results. It is interesting, too, that not one peal was more than seven minutes under three hours, whilst at Lanivet (13 cwt.) 5088 Bristol took 3 hours and 12 minutes, Middleton's Cambridge at Penzance 3 hours and 25 minutes, and the Stedman at Kea (12½ cwt.) 3 hours and 12 minutes. This slower and very dignified ringing had its appeal and is perhaps why we remember with gratitude these men of old and what they contributed to the Exercise. When, later, I was a curate at Edmonton, Charles Coles, who was secretary of the Middlesex Association, often talked to me of William Pye and their last tour together in Cornwall. He more than once expressed amazement that he had gone through the tour ringing no less than six tenors (including Truro) when there was ample evidence that he was far from well, and despite this the placing of his bell and the anticipation of a possible mistake was almost "uncanny." The genial and sociable Charles T. Coles, who had organised so many peals and tours for William Pye, passed on very suddenly in 1946. After the war there emerged a new era but many still retain memories of men we knew and what they achieved in so fine a fashion, and not the least amongst them, William Pye.

**FIFTY-TWO YEARS OF  
SERVICE**

Learning to handle bells at the age of 13 (in 1918) was Leslie Thomas Stacey, of Northfleet, Kent, and he was sufficiently accomplished to be able to stand in the victory celebrations at the end of that year.

Today, 52 years later, Mr. Stacey is still ringing the bells at Northfleet and hopes to do so for many years yet, particularly if restoration and augmentation are carried out. Although not a prolific peal ringer, he hopes to be in the first quarter peal attempt after that event.

Leslie rang his first peal, Grandsire Triples, in 1923 and has rung but five since, but his record of quarters is innumerable. "A quarter is quite long enough," he said, "and it doesn't worry me—or the neighbours. I don't travel around much either," he added, "but I look after my own tower and have served a period as captain."

A member of the Kent County Association, Mr. Stacey enjoys the meetings of the Rochester District, particularly when in Northfleet tower. He is now retired from his job as a fitter's mate, is a widower, having lost his wife last year, and has no family. His cheery, homely smile, however, was a welcome in itself to the many visitors who recently visited his beloved tower.

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## Letters

### LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

Dear Sir,—In response to a suggestion in the article on page 624 of the R.W. that I should enlarge on the pioneering work of Miss Lumley in connection with lady members, with your agreement I am submitting the following:—

As an old member, I was interested to read the story of this society, and whilst I am pleased to add to the comments already made regarding Miss Lumley's ringing activities, I must confess that memories become rather dim 50 years after the date—to me at any rate.

Miss Lumley came down from Middleham, North Yorkshire, to take up a position in Leeds. The Moorhouses were introduced to her by a mutual ringing friend, Mr. Sherwood, who for a few years rang at St. Michael's, Headingley. She was already a tower bell ringer but expressed a desire to learn handbell ringing. As she was needing somewhere to live, my father seized the opportunity to have four handbell ringers under one roof by offering her accommodation with us.

She was a lady of great determination and quickly picked up the art and rang her first peal of Bob Major on January 9, 1919, which was only the second peal rung by my brother, Malcolm, and me.

Her progress can be judged by the fact that by May 11, 1919, along with the three Moorhouses, she rang the tenor to a non-conducted peal of Kent Treble Bob Major. Incidentally, the time taken was 1 hour 57 minutes.

Following further peals of Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford, Major and Royal (one of which was with the late Mrs. Fletcher, then Miss Edith Parker), she conducted a peal of Double Norwich from 7-8—as already mentioned—on the eve of my brother Malcolm's 15th birthday (he rang 1-2).

I feel, however, that a better performance than this was the peal of Stedman Triples, in 2 hours 1 minute, in which she rang 3-4.

Altogether I rang 15 handbell peals with Olive Lumley, but my only other particular recollection of peal ringing with her took place at the home of Rupert Richardson, Surfleet, in 1920 when, along with Alfred Pulling, Kathleen Jutson and the two Moorhouse brothers, she rang 1-2 to a peal of Stedman Caters, J. W. Moorhouse acting as umpire. By modern standards this would be considered rather slow, taking 2 hours and 44 minutes.

In between practice and peal ringing Miss Lumley also rang with us on a number of occasions at local concerts.

Work and weddings broke up the quartet, Miss Lumley marrying Jimmy Cotterell, a well-known member of the Yorkshire Association. I cannot recall how long they were married but some time after her husband's death Mrs. Cotterell became Mrs. Clement Glenn. Some years ago she died from a brain tumour whilst living at Bramhope, Leeds.—Yours faithfully,

GERALD MOORHOUSE.

Macclesfield.

### WILLIAM PYE CENTENARY

Dear Sir,—Little Heath Church, where Bill Pye learnt to ring, was demolished to make way for the "Eastern Avenue" from London to Southend. Just over a mile away at the western end of this road stands St. George's, Barkingside, built at about the time the road was made.

For the centenary of Bill's birth a quarter peal of London S. Major was rung on the bells—an appropriate method for, I understand, it was one of his favourites. It is also appropriate that the church is the nearest to his birthplace with a ring of bells and that our vicar (who built the church), when he was a curate at Romford, knew Bill Pye.

I do not know if Bill ever rang on our four bells (the back four were hung after his death) but perhaps one of our readers could enlighten me.—Yours faithfully,

D. ELLISDON.

### AN AMENDMENT

Dear Sir,—In R.W. No. 3094, Aug. 14, 1970, you were kind enough to publish two compositions of Plain Bob Royal submitted by myself. Anyone who has given the 5220 more than a cursory glance will no doubt be confused by the blocks of 5 Home and of 5 Middle.

I should have explained in the accompanying letter that all blocks of five calls were to be called BBSBB, and I offer my sincerest apologies both to you and to anyone who may have been inconvenienced by this omission.—Yours faithfully,

S. NICHOLAS HARROP.

Worsley, Lancs.

### BELLS A NUISANCE?

Dear Sir,—I was very interested in your item headed "Bells a Nuisance?" in *The Ringing World* for August 21, referring to recent correspondence in *The Leicester Mercury*. As I was directly concerned with this I feel that you would like to know the full story.

The correspondence started with a letter from a newcomer to the village of Oadby (Peter H. Smith), who complained about the bells of Oadby, even when ringing for normal Sunday service. He referred to ringers as being "selfish," "anti-social" and "pharisaical".

I felt bound to reply to this, which I did, and my letter was followed by another from a lady resident of Oadby; she praised the bells and said she "counted herself lucky to live in a village which still retained a fine set of bells." Her reference to a "set" of bells indicates that she is not herself a ringer.

This was then followed by the letter from "Pancake Bell," which you reproduced in full. I regard this letter as a regrettable piece of sarcastic mud-slinging, the more so because it comes from someone with a good inside knowledge of the Exercise.

In subsequent conversation with fellow ringers (not at Rothley) I said that I would be willing to reply but felt that someone better known and more competent than myself should now do so (I am only a modest 6-bell ringer). We agreed to leave the matter as it was and to see what happened. But so far no one else has replied.

My letter was intended as both a defence of the Exercise and to provide some enlightenment to the non-ringing public who, as we all know, are deplorably ignorant regarding the practice and purpose of ringing.—Yours faithfully,

J. H. DURANCE.

Rothley, Leics.

### NOT AT BEDDINGTON

Dear Sir,—Once again we are informed in the R.W. that the first peal of Spliced Surprise Royal was rung at Beddington in 1936. This is not correct. Let us give credit where it is due.

The first ever rung was at the Church of St. Magnus the Martyr, London Bridge, on July 25, 1931, by the Middlesex County Association. The peal comprised 2240 Yorkshire, 560 Pudsey and 2240 Cambridge. It was composed and conducted by William Pye.—Yours faithfully,

JOHN G. NASH.

London, N.

### HISTORIC OLNEY

Dear Sir,—Whilst we still enjoy the right to free speech and (dare I say?) a free Press, it does not require a person to live in a town or village to write about it.

There must be many readers of *The Ringing World* who have at some time or other rung at Olney—a small market town inside the north-east borders of Buckinghamshire. Olney is not only historic for its very wide main street with stone houses, but its associations with the poet and hymn writer William Cowper (1731-1800) and John Newton, that other hymn writer (1725-1807) give it an interesting history.

The Cowper and Newton Museum, in the small market place (where Cowper once resided), is a large house to which an entrance fee is charged to go around and see its contents.

Nearby is the glorious large parish church of SS. Peter and Paul, where the vicar (Canon Ronald Collins) is at this moment appealing for £12,000, mainly for restoration of the steeple, which houses a lovely-toned ring of eight bells (tenor 25 cwt.) Before 1893 Olney had six bells, two trebles then being added. All were put on ball bearings by Mears and Stainbank in 1931, when the Rev. L. E. Gee was vicar.

Not only is the church a well-loved place, but its surroundings, with the wide River Ouse close by, make it a beauty spot, with picturesque Weston Underwood, Emberton, Clifton Reynes and Ravenstone within easy reach.

Whenever you sing the hymn "God moves in a mysterious way," think of William Cowper, who wrote it. Equally so of John Newton, who wrote "How sweet the name of Jesus sounds" (and a number more). Newton was an ex-slave trader who made friends with William Wilberforce.

Another Olney worthy of whom little is heard was its one-time vicar and writer of church music, Rev. Henry John Gauntlett, Mus.D. He became organist to his father (of the same Christian names) at the age of nine.

Another event associated with Olney is its annual pancake race every Shrove Tuesday, which dates back many years and is well known everywhere.—Yours faithfully,

P. AMOS.

Four juniors from St. Michael's, Mottram-in-Longdendale, Cheshire, are in search of a ringing master. Since the master married and moved away the four are only permitted to ring one bell (for the services) and have now to join St. Mark's, Bredbury, for ringing practices. There is a good ring of eight at Mottram and the normal practice night is Wednesday. If anyone can help in any way please contact Miss Rachael Loynes at 196 Mottram Road, Stalybridge, Cheshire.

### On a stone in Oxbridge Churchyard (1767):

Billie, thy  
Movements kept in play  
For thirty years or more,  
We say,  
Thy Balance or thy  
Mainspring's broken,  
And all thy movements  
Cease to work.



# Quarter Peals

## HALF PEAL

**Alton, Hants.**—June 28, 2520 Grandsire Triples: R. Read 1, R. Stone 2, Miss C. Law 3, C. Chennell-White 4, A. Kersey 5, R. Finch 6, R. Corke (cond.) 7, D. Cross 8. First half peal in method 1, 5. For Patronal Festival, after peal attempt failed; also for Alton Festival.

**Aldwick, Sussex.**—July 5, 1272 Minimus (three methods): M. Leclerc 1, Ruth E. Halford 2, P. M. Wills 3, P. Stevens (cond.) 4. Half-muffled in memoriam Rev. C. H. Mosse, founder of the local church.

**Alton, Hants.**—July 11, 1260 Grandsire Triples: S. Eyre 1, E. Hedger 2, R. Reed 3, G. Noakes 4, A. Kersey 5, R. Corke 6, C. Chennell-White (cond.) 7, A. Bone 8. A 21st birthday compliment to A. Kersey; also for Alton Festival.

**Arundel, Sussex.**—June 6, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Ruth E. Halford 1, Susan M. Wills 2, R. M. Cox 3, M. I. Davey 4, P. Stevens 5, P. M. Wills 6, F. H. Hicks (cond.) 7, Anne Daughtrey 8.

**Asfordby, Leics.**—Aug. 8, 1260 Bob Minor: A. French 1, Mrs. Rowena Cooper 2, J. H. Cook 3, C. E. Cooper 4, R. Looker 5, H. T. Bonshor (cond.) 6. A 100th birthday compliment to Mrs. Pollie Hudson.

**Ash, Som.**—Aug. 12, 1296 Beverley S. Minor: R. M. Julius 1, M. M. Godley 2, H. M. Julius 3, H. P. Sparks 4, F. Priddle (cond.) 5, D. Beaufoy 6. A compliment to David and Iris Hill on the birth of their daughter, Elaine Mary.

**Ash Priors, Som.**—Aug. 10, 1260 Doubles (four methods, two spliced compositions): K. E. Beale (cond.) 1, L. T. Hancock 2, Miss F. M. Gadd 3, A. W. Knight 4, R. A. C. Cross 5, W. J. Berry 6. Half-muffled in memoriam Mr. J. Fisher, treasurer, Ash Priors P.C.C.

**Axbridge, Som.**—Aug. 9, 1260 Doubles (six methods): H. Button 1, Marjorie Legg 2, B. Peters 3, G. Prescott (cond.) 4, S. Bendle 5, J. Baker 6. For Evensong.

**Ayston, Rutland.**—Aug. 15, 1272 Minimus (eight methods): J. A. Ellis 1, Cynthia E. Barnett 2, R. N. Scholes 3, C. J. Groome (cond.) 4. For Patronal Festival Sung Eucharist.

**Balcombe, Sussex.**—Aug. 2, 1260 Grandsire Triples: S. Wood 1, R. V. Johnson 2, E. S. Laker 3, E. Knapp 4, A. E. Laker 5, H. Parkyns 6, F. Godsmark (cond.) 7, R. Stone 8.

**Banwell, Som.**—June 27, 1280 Cambridge S. Major: G. Hebden 1, Helen Kirkpatrick 2, P. J. England (cond.) 3, P. J. Hardwick 4, P. H. D. Jones 5, W. S. Rice 6, R. W. Rice 7, T. Chapman 8. First in method 2, 4. Also Aug. 7, 1280 Whalley S. Major: W. S. Rice 1, Heather Kippin 2, Diana Bridle 3, J. R. Taylor 4, P. J. England 5, P. Bridle 6, J. Brain 7, R. C. Kippin (cond.) 8. First by all.

**Barrow-on-Soar, Leics.**—Aug. 16, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Godwin (first quarter) 1, Cherrill L. Everard 2, Lynne Brookes (first inside) 3, P. G. Chambers 4, B. S. Payne (cond.) 5, J. R. Perkins 6. For Evensong.

**Benhall, Suffolk.**—Aug. 9, 1380 Doubles (seven methods): R. Peters 1, Ruth Last 2, T. Hughes 3, T. Brock 4, M. Parker (cond.) 5, A. H. Archer 6. A birthday compliment to 3. First in seven methods 1 and 3.

**Bicker, Lincs.**—July 15, 1274 Bob Triples: Susan E. Smith 1, A. E. Flatters 2, R. Stephenson 3, H. Barsley 4, G. H. Campling 5, M. J. Belcher 6, P. H. Reynolds (cond.) 7, P. W. Campling 8. First in method by all except treble ringer. For St. Swithin's Day.

**Binsted, Hants.**—June 25, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss B. Bray (first quarter) 1, A. Kersey 2, A. Betsworth 3, C. Chennell-White 4, R. Corke (cond.) 5, R. Winckworth 6. For Alton Festival.

**Blaidsdon, Glos.**—July 11, 1260 Bob Minor: Miss P. Southwell 1, Miss S. Cornock 2, D. Hinde 3, Miss S. Williams 4, D. E. L. Pobjoy 5, N. Amplett (cond.) 6. To conclude the village summer fair. First Minor for 1, 2 and 4.

**Bristol.**—Aug. 4, Clifton, Emmanuel, 1250 London S. Major: E. T. Lee 1, Susan Moore (first London) 2, P. Dye 3, P. J. England (cond.) 4, J. Brain 5, R. W. Rice 6, W. S. Rice 7, R. G. Edwards 8.

**Bromley Common, Kent.**—Aug. 13, 1469 Glasgow S. Major: J. M. Hills 1, A. R. Patterson 2, M. E. Oram 3, M. H. O'Callaghan 4, I. H. Oram 5, D. E. Sibson 6, D. P. Smith 7, S. Jenner (cond.) 8. For the 50th anniversary of the first peal by Mr. A. Edward Reeves, of Prestwich, Lancs.

**Buckley, Flint.**—Aug. 13, 1260 Oxford Bob Triples: J. W. Griffiths (cond.) 1, Mrs. Rachel Collins 2, Mrs. Norah Randles 3, P. Charlesworth 4, G. H. Randles 5, E. Evans 6, D. H. B. Millward 7, D. N. Collins 8. First in method for 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

**Canford Magna, Dorset.**—Aug. 15, 1260 Bob Minor: Valma Fry 1, L. H. Pink 2, C. Ridout 3, J. Cornick 4, W. J. Cowling 5, M. W. C. Lawson (first Minor as cond.) 6. Birthday compliment to Cecil Ridout.

**Charlbury, Oxon.**—Aug. 13, 1440 Bob Minor: C. F. M. Collett 1, W. J. Dixon 2, G. J. Collett 3, B. W. Hall 4, A. W. Lloyd 5, T. W. Timms (cond.) 6. 80th birthday compliment to Mr. J. Keyte.

**Cheriton, Kent.**—Aug. 10, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Jane Reece (first quarter) 1, Mary Munt 2, Dilys Eastmead 3, A. J. Binstead 4, A. C. Eastmead (cond.) 5, J. Thorne 6. Half-muffled in memoriam Clifford Campion.

**Chislehurst, Kent.**—Aug. 1, 1260 St. Simon's Triples: K. Gamm 1, S. Gay 2, M. Gay 3, C. Mundy 4, P. R. Butler 5, P. A. Butler 6, T. Lewis (cond.) 7, C. Sims 8.

**Cookham, Berks.**—Aug. 9, 1260 Grandsire Doubles (1, 2 leading): Miss M. Haines 1, Miss M. Blackwood 2, Mrs. C. Miller 3, Mrs. C. Eldridge 4, Mrs. A. Brown 5, E. Eldridge 6, D. Hartley (cond.) 7, D. Rimmell 8. A farewell for Mr. J. Muller (ringing master), going to Ceylon.

**Denham, Bucks.**—Aug. 8, 1260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): D. Rogers (first quarter) 1, E. G. Swift 2, Ann Collins 3, K. Vickers 4, H. Bell 5, G. Stiles 6, B. Collins (cond.) 7, G. Harris 8. A wedding compliment to the curate's daughter.

**Dewsbury, Yorks.**—Aug. 16, 1296 Little Bob Major: Ruth Richardson (cond.) 1, Avis Thompson 2, Esther Sharp (first in method) 3, J. Ineson 4, Jeanne Bottomley 5, K. Ineson 6, G. Richardson 7, D. Carruthers 8. For service.

**East Hoathly, Sussex.**—Aug. 11, 1260 Bob Doubles: Miss Terry Riggs (first quarter) 1, D. Snoswell 2, I. O'Reilly 3, R. Kennard 4, A. Baldock (cond.) 5, C. Nicholson 6. 19th birthday compliment to 1.

**Epsom Common, Surrey.**—Aug. 2, 1260 Bob Minor: Rosalind Gibson 1, Adrienne Heyworth 2, S. Warren 3, P. Munday 4, D. Herschell 5, R. Heyworth (cond.) 6. For thanksgiving of fete.

**Exhall, Warks.**—Aug. 12, 1260 Bob Minor: D. Harrison 1, G. S. Hall 2, T. C. Bonham 3, J. Taylor 4, H. Curtis 5, I. Unsworth (cond.) 6.

**Farnham, Surrey.**—June 28, 1280 Bob Major: Judith M. Collins (50th quarter) 1, Denise A. Wood (first Major inside) 2, R. Anne Collins 3, A. D. Elmore 4, S. Meadows 5, P. J. Rowe 6, R. Collins 7, E. J. Fletcher (cond.) 8. For Evensong.

**Filton, Glos.**—Aug. 2, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss R. M. Morse 1, Miss H. Blount 2, Miss C. Blount (first inside) 3, Miss M. N. Haslum 4, D. C. Haslum (cond.) 5, Miss W. A. Miller 6. A wedding compliment to Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Clutterbuck.

**Harby, Leics.**—Aug. 10, 1260 St. Peter's Doubles: Elaine Smith 1, A. R. Jones 2, J. C. Allen 3, C. J. Mobbs 4, B. S. Payne (cond.) 5.

**Harlington, Middx.**—July 19, 1260 Bob Doubles: Miss J. Pole 1, M. S. James (first inside) 2, Miss M. E. Britchford 3, J. W. James 4, J. M. Britchford (cond.) 5, N. J. Gander (first quarter) 6.

**Hayes, Middx.**—Aug. 2, 1260 Grandsire Triples: J. M. Britchford 1, F. W. Ellis 2, N. F. Edwards 3, D. G. Pickett 4, A. M. Stacey 5, R. G. Chappels 6, G. Dodds (cond.) 7, P. S. Venn 8. A golden wedding compliment to Mr. J. Gorse (verger) and Mrs. Gorse.

**Headcorn, Kent.**—Aug. 4, 1260 Doubles (seven methods): Jane Churchill (first quarter) 1, D. Taylor 2, R. Jean Vidler 3, G. W. Grant 4, N. C. Sheppard (cond.) 5, R. Millidine 6. First in seven methods for all. 51st wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Grant.

**Hersham, Surrey.**—July 5, 1272 Little Bob Minor: A. Bailey 1, Mrs. G. Webb 2, J. Bailey 3, Miss A. Anthony 4, J. King 5, C. Webb (cond.) 6. For evening service.

**Horncastle, Lincs.**—Aug. 8, 1260 Spliced Minor (St. Clement's, Plain Bob): H. Barnes 1, R. Reynolds 2, E. Bennett 3, H. Bennett 4, T. Cummins 5, P. H. Reynolds (cond.) 6.

**Horsham, Sussex.**—July 5, 1260 Grandsire Triples: E. Sampson 1, J. Smith 2, E. R. Rapley 3, T. G. Fox (cond.) 4, Mrs. J. Rose 5, S. Pocock 6, M. Reed 7, L. Bourne 8. For flower festival.

**Husbands Bosworth, Leics.**—June 28, 1260 Bob Minor: R. Weeks 1-2, S. J. Coleman 3-4, J. D. Cheesman (cond.) 5-6.

**Hyde, Cheshire.**—July 26, 1264 Bob Major: T. J. Mallett (first quarter) 1, T. W. Wilde 2, Sylvia Smith 3, Margaret P. Booth 4, Ann C. Bennett 5, M. Rigby 6, D. F. Yates 7, N. Bennett (cond.) 8. For Evensong. Also Aug. 9, 1260 Bob Minor: M. Jane Booth (first quarter, aged 10) 1, Sylvia Smith 2, Margaret P. Booth 3, M. Rigby 4, N. Bennett (cond.) 5, D. F. Yates 6. For Evensong.

**Kessingland, Suffolk.**—June 21, 1260 Bob Doubles: T. J. Brock 1, R. Peters 2, M. J. Parker (cond.) 3, M. A. Baldry 4, F. R. Wade 5, A. H. Archer 6.

**Kewstoke, Som.**—July 18, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: W. Lovell 1, Marjorie Legg (cond.) 2, W. Blake 3, W. Hart 4, G. Prescott 5, G. Kingdon 6.

**Little Horsted, Sussex.**—Aug. 10, 1260 All Saints Doubles: A. Turner 1, W. G. Merritt 2, Mrs. G. S. M. Laming Macadam (cond.) 3, R. R. Kennard 4, E. M. Laming Macadam 5, H. E. Saunders 6. First in method by all. Wedding anniversary compliment to ringers of 3 and 5.

**Llandaff, Glam.**—July 26, at the Cathedral, 1280 Bob Major: J. Clatworthy (cond.) 1, Anne Cooke 2, Zoë MacMillan 3, D. G. Clift 4, M. Dew 5, N. A. James 6, N. W. H. Simon 7, D. J. Llewellyn 8. Also Aug. 9, 1280 Cambridge S. Major: Anne Cooke 1, Mary Pryor 2, Shelagh Plumb 3, D. G. Clift 4, N. A. James 5, C. Hughes 6, N. W. H. Simon 7, J. Clatworthy 8. First Surprise 3, 5. Both for Evensong.

**Loughborough, Leics.**—July 28 (All Saints), 1259 Grandsire Caters: J. R. Scott 1, Miss P. J. E. Sturdy 2, Mrs. M. Mack 3, Miss G. M. Brearley 4, G. H. Baldam 5, D. R. M. Heighton (cond.) 6, E. G. Mould 7, M. T. Sprackling 8, D. J. Marshall 9, F. D. Mack 10. By University of Bristol Society's touring band.

**Luton, Som.**—Aug. 13, 1440 Durham and Ipswich S. Minor: J. Sheppard (cond.) 1, J. Trimm 2, Brenda Sheppard 3, Susan Stott 4, C. Field 5, A. Perry 6. First in methods by all.

**Lutton, Lincs.**—Aug. 12, 1260 Bob Minor: R. M. Ragsdell (first Minor) 1, Mrs. G. R. G. Butler 2, G. R. G. Butler 3, P. G. Butler (50th quarter) 4, G. H. Campling 5, D. R. Woods (cond.) 6. To mark the birth of a daughter (Zoe Jane) to Rev. and Mrs. D. R. Hill, of Lutton.

**Marcham, Berks.**—Aug. 16, 1280 Doubles (three methods): B. Finnigan 1, Shirley Goble 2, N. Booth 3, S. Nobes (first inside) 4, C. J. Peaple (cond.) 5, R. Parkes (first quarter) 6. First in three methods 2, 3, 4. For Evensong.

**Merton, Surrey.**—July 26, 1260 Bob Minor: Miss J. Newton 1, Miss M. Newton 2, A. Bishop 3, M. Stanley 4, G. Hawkes 5, F. Seabright (cond.) 6. For the visitation of the Lord Bishop of Southwark to the parish. First on the augmented ring. First Minor for 1, 2 and 4.

**Morcott, Rutland.**—Aug. 15, 1272 Minimus (11 methods): Cynthia E. Barnett 1, J. A. Ellis 2, R. N. Scholes 3, C. J. Groome (cond.) 4. For Feast of the Assumption.

**Papanui, New Zealand.**—Aug. 9 (St. Paul's), 1260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Tennant (first quarter) 1, R. Idle (cond.) 2, S. Barnett 3, R. Stevens 4, R. Williams 5, M. Clayton 6. A farewell to D. Tennant, leaving for England.

**Polesworth, Warks.**—Aug. 9, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: S. Allsopp 1, A. Allsopp 2, R. Knight 3, D. Hiorns (cond.) 4, M. Allsopp 5, T. Oxford 6. For Evensong.

**Pittlewell, Essex.**—July 29, 1280 Yorkshire S. Major: S. Halliwell 1, Penny Halliwell 2, A. Cansdale 3, P. Giles 4, P. Sadler 5, B. Sadler 6, D. Sloman (cond.) 7, H. Furminger (first in method) 8. A farewell to H. Furminger, leaving the district.



**Pyle, Som.**—Aug. 15, 1260 Stedman Doubles: C. Field 1, Susan Stott 2, Brenda Sheppard 3, H. Hooper 4, J. Walton (cond.) 5, J. Sheppard 6. First in method 1 and 2.

**Rayleigh, Essex.**—Aug. 9, 1260 Grandsire Triples: Lynn Woodcock (first Triples) 1, P. Sloman 2, A. House 3, F. May 4, P. Giles 5, T. Sharp 6, D. Belcham (cond.) 7, W. Ward 8. Wedding compliment to Penny and David Sloman, married at Prittlewell on August 8.

**Reddish, Lancs.**—Aug. 8, 1260 Bob Minor: Elizabeth Ormrod (first quarter) 1, N. Harrop 2, Kirsty R. Fisher 3, P. Boucher 4, P. Dyson 5, P. G. Bellamy-Knights (cond.) 6. For the 70th birthday of H.M. Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother.

**Ripple, Worcs.**—Aug. 5, 1440 Ripple S. Minor: Geraldine Mitchell 1, B. Spiers 2, Valerie Willard 3, M. Hawkes 4, D. Price (cond.) 5, J. Clements 6. First in the method.

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**Ryde, I.O.W.**—Aug. 16, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: Susan Eames 1, C. Frye 2, L. Jamieson 3, J. Stock 4, A. Russell (cond.) 5, Mary Hatcher 6. Birthday compliments to 5 and 6. First quarter 1, 2, 6. First quarter by an all-Ryde band for over ten years.

**Sidcup, Kent.**—July 20, 1320 St. Martin's Doubles: C. Sims 1, P. Dale 2, S. Gay 3, T. Lewis (cond.) 4, M. Gay 5, C. Sayer 6. Half-muffled in memoriam Sydney William Groom (priest).

**Southampton, Hants.**—May 4, 1260 Bob Royal: Angela R. Wells 1-2, R. Weeks 3-4, S. J. Coleman 5-6, J. D. Cheesman (cond.) 7-8, P. A. Butler 9-10. First Royal in hand by all, and for S.U.G.C.R. Also May 29, 1272 Bob Minimus: J. D. Cheesman (cond.) 1-2, S. J. Coleman 3-4. 100th guild quarter peal.

**South Cadbury, Som.**—Aug. 5, 1260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Miles 1, K. L. Laver 2, R. Raymond 3, J. Wrigley 4, W. J. Tiley 5, T. Mead 6. A 100th birthday compliment to Mrs. F. Newport.

**Stamford, Lincs.**—Aug. 8 (All Saints), 1260 Bob Minor: E. Cox 1, H. Goakes 2, A. Waller 3, F. Boyall 4, F. Mitchell 5, J. H. Bluff (cond.) 6. A wedding compliment to Maureen Simon (Stamford) and John Milton (Pudlow).

**Tunstall, Suffolk.**—Aug. 14, 1260 Doubles (four methods): J. Peters (first in more than one method) 1, Ruth Bedford 2, R. Peters 3, A. Knights 4, T. Hughes (cond.) 5, A. H. Archer 6. To commemorate the birth of William Pye, born 100 years ago this day.

**Uffington, Lincs.**—Aug. 2, 1260 Oxford Bob Minor: E. Cox 1, H. Goakes 2, A. Waller 3, J. David 4, F. Mitchell 5, J. H. Bluff (cond.) 6. For morning service; also a farewell to Rev. Peter Fluck, leaving for North Lincolnshire.

**Upavon, Wilts.**—July 5, 1260 Bob Minor: F. Pearce 1, W. Pearce 2, A. Cook 3, R. Wilson 4, P. Bushell (cond.) 5, J. Pearce 6.

**Warnham, Sussex.**—Aug. 9, 1260 Doubles (three methods): Miss J. Etherton (first quarter) 1, G. Francis (cond.) 2, B. Pink 3, N. Carter 4, D. D. Smith 5, M. Davis 6. A welcome to Madeline, daughter of Margaret and Michael Davis, born August 5.

**Westminster.**—May 31 (St. Clement Danes'), 1296 Stedman Caters: Elsie Hart 1, Dorothea Robotham 2, Diane Gazeley 3, Ruth Foreman 4, H. G. Hart 5, F. T. Blagrove (cond.) 6, W. H. Knight 7, B. C. Watson 8, T. J. Lock 9, B. Walter 10.

**Wethersfield, Essex.**—Aug. 9, 1260 Bob Doubles: F. Marshall 1, G. Jones 2, Rosalind Campbell (first inside) 3, Elizabeth Campbell 4, R. Threadgold (cond.) 5, R. Campbell (first quarter) 6. For morning service; also golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Parkes, grandparents of 3, 4 and 6.

**Yatton, Som.**—Aug. 14, 1296 Stedman Triples: Marjorie Legg 1, P. Dye 2, D. Hawkings 3, G. Prescott 4, S. G. Smith 5, J. Brain 6, P. J. England (cond.) 7, L. Lawrence 8. First of Stedman 3 and 8.

## Peals

### THE BRISTOL SOCIETY

#### BRISTOL, Cathedral Church of the Holy and Undivided Trinity.

Sat., Aug. 15, 1970, 3hr. 9min. (21 cwt.)  
**5184 LAUNCESTON SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Composed by H. Poyner.

- 1 Dianne Gazeley
- 2 Anita D. O'Brien
- 3 Walter G. Knight
- 4 Brian Bladon
- 5 James R. Taylor
- 6 Maurice A. New
- 7 Anthony R. Peake (Conductor)
- 8 D. John Hunt

First peal in the method.

### CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

#### MOTTRAM-IN-LONGDENDALE, Cheshire, St. Michael.

Sat., May 30, 1970, 2hr. 58min. (15½ cwt.)  
**5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Composed by G. Lindoff.

- 1 F. John Nelson
- 2 Sidney Hough
- 3 Alan Scholfield
- 4 Brian Mills
- 5 Timothy Wylie
- 6 Philip G. K. Davies
- 7 Geoffrey Gardner
- 8 Denis Mottershead (Conductor)

Wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Brian Holt, the bride being a member of the local band.

#### BURBAGE, Buxton, Derbyshire, Christ Church.

Sat., June 6, 1970, 2hr. 40min. (9 cwt.)  
**5040 MINOR** (3 Cambridge S., 1 each St. Clements and Oxford T.B., 2 Plain Bob).

- 1 Timothy Wylie
- 2 Paul Smith
- 3 Joyce Gardner
- 4 John Bell
- 5 Geoffrey Gardner
- 6 Denis Mottershead (Conductor)

### DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

#### EYAM, Derbyshire, St. Lawrence.

Wed., Aug. 12, 1970, 2hr. 32min. (7 cwt.)  
**5040 MORNING STAR T.B. MINOR**  
(7 extents.)

- 1 Graham A. Newman
- 2 Susan E. Davis
- 3 Susan E. Banton
- 4 Andrew R. Queen
- 5 A. Colin Banton (Conductor)
- 6 Timothy Wylie

First in the method for all and for the association.

### ESSEX ASSOCIATION

#### PRITTEWELL, Essex, St. Mary the Virgin.

Sat., Aug. 8, 1970, 3hr. (17½ cwt.)  
**5000 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL**  
Composed by George H. Cross.

- 1 Lesley Thompson
- 2 Frank B. Lufkin (Conductor)
- 3 Peter G. Pitt
- 4 Neil V. Avis
- 5 Vivian A. P. Cross
- 6 Bernard W. Fairhead
- 7 Paul Thompson
- 8 David E. Culham
- 9 Dennis Ellisdon
- 10 Brian J. Vaughan

A wedding compliment to Penny Halliwell and David Sloman (local ringers).

#### LEYTON, Essex, St. Mary with St. Edward.

Sat., Aug. 8, 1970, 2hr. 45min. (8½ cwt.)  
**5049 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**  
(J. J. Parker's 12-part.)

- \*1 Roger W. Pascoe
- 2 Charles A. Hughes
- 3 Leonard J. Fox
- 4 Michael Wareing
- 5 Frank B. Lufkin
- 6 Geoffrey H. Walker
- 7 Dennis Ellisdon (Conductor)
- 8 Robert A. Poole

\*First peal. 84th birthday compliment to Charles A. Hughes.

### GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

#### STRATTON ST. MARGARET, Wiltshire, St. Margaret of Antioch.

Fri., Aug. 7, 1970, 2hr. 38min. (8½ cwt.)  
**5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR** (12 methods: 960 London and Rutland, 576 Superlative, 384 Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Uxbridge and Yorkshire, 256 Datchet, and 192 Bristol, Cambridge, Cray and Painswick, with 147 changes of method).

Composed by A. R. Peake.

- 1 Brian Bladon
- \*2 Anita D. O'Brien
- \*3 W. Bertram Kynaston
- \*4 Peter J. Heritage
- 5 Anthony R. Peake (Conductor)
- 6 Maurice A. New
- 7 Lewis F. Cobb
- 8 Timothy G. Pett

\*Most Surprise Major methods to a peal.

### HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

#### LLANFEIGAN, Breconshire, St. Meugan.

Thur., Aug. 6, 1970, 2hr. 54min. (12 cwt.)  
**5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**  
Composed by Simon Humphrey.

- 1 Claudia A. Critchley
- 2 Jane Foster
- 3 Edgar R. Rapley
- 4 Ronald J. Sharp
- 5 Clive M. Smith
- 6 Peter M. Wilkinson
- 7 G. William Critchley (Conductor)
- 8 Dennis Beresford

**BELL ROPES**  
JOHN NICOLL  
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**EARDISLAND, Herefordshire, St. Mary the Virgin.**

Mon., Aug. 3, 1970, 2hr. 55min. (12½ cwt.)

**5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by Stephen J. Ivin.

- 1 Claudia A. Critchley
- 2 Jane Foster
- 3 Edgar R. Rapley
- 4 Ronald J. Sharp
- \*5 Stanley G. Ponting
- 6 Peter M. Wilkinson
- 7 G. William Critchley (Conductor)
- 8 Dennis Beresford

\*500th peal.

**KNIGHTON, Radnorshire, St. Edward.**

Tues., Aug. 4, 1970, 2hr. 42min. (9½ cwt.)

**5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by Anthony R. Kench.

- 1 Claudia A. Critchley
- 2 Joan Beresford
- 3 Edgar R. Rapley
- 4 Peter M. Wilkinson
- 5 Stanley G. Ponting
- 6 Norman Summerhayes
- 7 G. William Critchley (Conductor)
- 8 Dennis Beresford

**BROMYARD, Herefordshire, St. Peter.**

Wed., Aug. 5, 1970, 2hr. 55min. (14½ cwt.)

**5056 LINCOLNSHIRE S. MAJOR**

Composed by J. Topp.

- 1 Joan Beresford
- 2 Lucy Smith
- 3 Claudia A. Critchley
- \*4 Ronald J. Sharp
- 5 Stanley G. Ponting
- 6 Norman Summerhayes
- 7 G. William Critchley (Conductor)
- 8 Dennis Beresford

\*500th of Surprise.

**LEDBURY, Herefordshire, St. Michael and All Angels.**

Fri., Aug. 7, 1970, 3hr. 29min. (22 cwt.)

**5120 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by W. Eric Critchley.

- 1 Jane Foster
- 2 Joan Beresford
- 3 G. William Critchley (Conductor)
- 4 Norman Summerhayes
- 5 Stanley G. Ponting
- 6 Peter M. Wilkinson
- 7 Nicholas J. Davies
- 8 Dennis Beresford

**HEREFORD, Herefordshire, All Saints.**

Sun., Aug. 9, 1970, 3hr. 1min. (17½ cwt.)

**5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by C. P. Starbuck.

- 1 Leslie Evans
- 2 Michael V. Powell
- 3 John F. I. Turney
- 4 Austin T. Wingate
- 5 Norman R. Mattingley
- 6 Wilfrid F. Moreton
- 7 Marcus C. W. Sherwood (Conductor)
- 8 John C. Eisel

**LLANFEIGAN, Breconshire, St. Meugan.**

Sat., Aug. 8, 1970, 4hr. 8min. (12 cwt.)

**7920 MINOR** (11 extents: Cambridge, Beverley, Surfleet, Kent, Oxford T.B., Oxford Bob, Double Oxford, Thelwall, Childwall, St. Clements, Plain Bob).

- 1 Nicholas C. R. Cronin
- 2 S. Barnaby Bell
- 3 Roy K. Williams
- 4 Norman R. Mattingley
- 5 Michael V. Powell
- 6 Marcus C. W. Sherwood (Conductor)

Longest length by all and for the guild.  
Rung after meeting short for Major.**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION****ROLVENDEN, Kent, St. Mary the Virgin.**

Sat., July 18, 1970, 2hr. 55min. (16 cwt.)

**5120 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by N. J. Diserens.

- 1 Judy Brooks
- 2 Roderick Lebon
- 3 John Hemsley
- \*4 Richard Birch
- 5 Rhian Bagshaw
- 6 Philip Staples
- 7 Colin Wyld (Conductor)
- 8 Paul Bagshaw

\*25th peal. A wedding compliment to Mr. N. G. W. Heath (vicar's son) and Miss C. L. Germany.

**CHERITON, Kent, St. Martin.**

Sat., Aug. 8, 1970, 2hr. 47min. (7 cwt.)

**5056 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR** (3

methods: 2176 Cambridge, 1472 Yorkshire, 1408 Superlative, 134 changes of method).

Composed by Arthur Knights.

- 1 Philip R. Staples
- \*2 John A. Hemsley
- \*3 Raymond A. Lucas
- 4 Crawford T. Hillis
- 5 Rev. Peter T. Robbins
- 6 Peter Richardson
- 7 Mark S. Lancefield (Conductor)
- †8 Colin J. E. Wyld

\*First of spliced. †50th peal.

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD****GREAT DALBY, Leics, St. Swithin.**

Tues., Aug. 11, 1970, 2hr. 40min. (11½ cwt.)

**5040 DOUBLES**

(42 methods: St. Simon, St. Alban, Cassington, Eynsham, Eilford, St. Martin, St. Paul, St. Peter, St. Leonard, Austrey, St. Osmund, St. Ambrose, St. Patrick, St. Ninian, St. Felix, St. Giles, St. Nicholas, St. Thomas, Lapley, Shareshill, St. Miles, Winchendon Place, St. Luke, St. John, Ryton, Church Gresley, St. Remigius, St. Chrysostom, Horsley, St. Cleer, Plain Bob, Kennington, Old, April Day, Seighford, Southrepps, R. Canterbury Pleasure, St. Columb, Clifford's Pleasure, Little Aston, Grandsire, Newborough).

- \*1 Alec R. Jones
- \*2 Harold T. Bonshor
- \*†3 John H. Sunderland
- \*4 Clive J. Mobbs
- 5 B. Stedman Payne (Conductor)

\*First in 42 methods. †First inside.

**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD****LINCOLN, St. Giles.**

Wed., Aug. 12, 1970, 2hr. 58min. (18 cwt.)

**5056 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by Roger Baldwin.

- 1 Jack L. Millhouse (Conductor)
- 2 Gillian Radley
- 3 Stephen C. Wells
- 4 Andrew G. Craddock
- 5 Malcolm E. Johnson
- 6 David Phillipson
- 7 Christopher J. Sharp
- 8 Peter A. Sharp

**BICKER, Lincolnshire, St. Swithin.**

Sat., Aug. 15, 1970, 2hr. 54min. (7½ cwt.)

**5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by Roger Baldwin.

- 1 Malcolm E. Johnson
- 2 Philip H. Reynolds
- 3 William S. Croft
- 4 Jack L. Millhouse (Conductor)
- 5 Peter A. Sharp
- \*6 Stephen C. Wells
- 7 Christopher J. Sharp
- †8 David Phillipson

\*75th peal. †50th peal.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION  
ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, Lancashire,  
St. Michael and All Angels.**

Sat., June 27, 1970, 3hr. 30min. (25½ cwt.)

**5280 SPICED SURPRISE MAXIMUS**

(110 methods: 48 Albanian, Aldenham, Apsley, Ashton, Barford, Bedford, Belfast, Belgrave, Belvoir, Birmingham, Blackley, Brigstow, Bristol, Buckfast, Buckinghamshire, Cambridge, Christchurch, Cirencester, Clerkenwell, Clifton, Conisbrough, Cornwall, Cotswold, Cray, Deansgate, Dodford, Dorking, Double Dublin, Dunsmore, Ealing, Eldon, Elkington, Essex, Evesham, Feering, Gartree, Goscote, Halifax, Hampshire, Hampstead, Indiana, Jedburgh, Jersey, Kidderminster, Kilsby, Lambeth, Langley, Leicestershire, Leominster, Lilbourne, Lincolnshire, Lindsey, Lindum, Londinium, Lutterworth, Manchester, Manitoba, Mellor, Metropolis, Moorgate, New Durham, Newgate, New Gloucester, Oldham, Oxfordshire, Painswick, Pennine, Pontefract, Preston, Prittlewell, Pudsey, Quex, Reading, Redcliffe, Redfield, Ribbleson, Rochester, Saskatchewan, Shropshire, Solihull, Southwark, Southwell, Stancil, Stoneygate, Stoodley, Strathclyde, Superlative, Swindon, Timaru, Trafalgar, Trowbridge, Trafford, Utah, Uxbridge, Verulam, Warwickshire, Wembley, Wensleydale, Westminster, Wexham, Wigston, Winchester, Worcestershire, Worsley, Wycombe, Xenia, Yarmouth, York, Yorkshire, Zelah; with 109 changes of method).

Composed by Derek Ogden, Neil Bennett and John H. Fielden.

- 1 Basil Jones
- 2 Richard S. Starkie
- 3 Frank Osbaldiston
- 4 John H. Fielden (Conductor)
- 5 C. Kenneth Lewis
- 6 Bernard F. L. Groves
- 7 Derek Butterworth
- 8 Cyril Crossthwaite
- 9 Neil Bennett
- 10 Robert B. Smith
- 11 Brian Harris
- 12 Jeffrey Brannan

This is the greatest number of methods yet rung in a peal on 12 bells.

The following methods are rung for the first time in this peal:—

Lindum

—36—14—5t—16—14—3t—14—5t—14—  
5t—14— h.l. 5t l.h. 12 f

Uxbridge

—3t—14—56—16—34—5t—14—5t—14—  
5t—14— h.l. 5t l.h. 12 f

Cray

—56—14—56—36—34—58—34—70—  
34—9t—34— h.l. 1t l.h. 12 l

Hampstead

—3t—14—5t—16—127t—38—129t—30—  
14—5t—18— h.l. et l.h. 12 b**ADLINGTON, Lancashire, St. Paul.**

Wed., Aug. 12, 1970, 3hr. (13½ cwt.)

**5088 JERSEY SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by R. F. B. Speed.

- 1 Margaret Crossthwaite
- 2 Donald G. Lawson
- 3 Peter Bellamy-Knights
- 4 James Cunliffe
- 5 Dennis H. McCormick
- 6 Cyril Crossthwaite
- 7 Geoffrey Fothergill (Conductor)
- 8 John Ashcroft

First in method by all and for Association.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION  
AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD****WILLESDEN, Middlesex, St. Mary.**

Thur., Aug. 13, 1970, 2hr. 35min. (9½ cwt.)

**5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by N. J. Pitstow.

- 1 Leonard Stilwell
- 2 Ruth M. Foreman
- \*3 Dorothea M. Robotham
- 4 Alick Cutler
- 6 Thomas J. Lock
- 5 Brian C. Watson
- 7 John Hill
- 8 Frank T. Blagrove (Conductor)

\*First in the method.



**HARROW WEALD, Middlesex, All Saints.**  
Tues., Aug. 11, 1970, 2hr. 50min. (7½ cwt.)

**5024 XANTHUS SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by John R. Mayne.

- 1 Freda Clayton
- 2 Elsie K. Hart
- 3 Ruth M. Foreman
- 4 Claudia A. Critchley
- 5 H. George Hart
- 6 G. William Critchley (Conductor)
- 7 Thomas J. Lock
- 8 John Hill

First in the method by all. A farewell to the Rev. John Budd, leaving Harrow Weald for Hatfield.

**NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION**

**GRESSENHALL, Norfolk, St. Mary.**

Sat., Aug. 1, 1970, 2hr. 50min. (10 cwt.)

**5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR** (4 methods: 1440 Yorkshire, 1280 Cambridge and Lincolnshire, 1120 Rutland, with 69 changes of method and all the work).

Composed by P. G. K. Davies.

- \*1 Robert G. Walker
- 2 Janet House
- 3 James B. Morley
- 4 Carole A. H. Patey
- 5 David G. Adams
- 6 George P. Adams
- 7 Peter Adcock
- 8 David E. House (Conductor)

\*First of Major.

**PULHAM MARKET, Norfolk, St. Mary Magdalene.**

Sat., Aug. 8, 1970, 2hr. 57min. (13 cwt.)

**5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by A. Craven.

- 1 David E. House (Conductor)
- 2 Janet House
- \*3 Adrial Walton
- \*4 Robert G. Walker
- 5 Thomas E. Spight
- 6 Carole A. H. Patey
- 7 Simon A. B. Wigg
- 8 Martin Cubitt

\*First of Yorkshire. 100th peal as conductor. Fifteenth birthday compliment to Adrial Walton.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD**

**HUGHENDEN, Bucks, St. Michael and All Angels.**

Sat., July 18, 1970, 2hr. 50min. (14½ cwt.)

**5088 OXFORDSHIRE S. MAJOR**

- 1 Derek Francis
- 2 Jennifer A. Dunning
- 3 Robert H. Newton
- 4 A. Keith P. Poole
- 5 Nigel Thomson
- 6 Roger Abbott
- 7 Keith J. Walpole
- 8 Christopher I. Rowson (Conductor)

First in the method for all except the conductor.

**KINGHAM, Oxon, St. Andrew.**

Sat., Aug. 1, 1970, 2hr. 57min. (12½ cwt.)

**5248 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by Roderick W. Pipe.

- \*1 Edgar R. Rapley
- 2 Joan Beresford
- 3 Claudia A. Critchley
- 4 Ronald J. Sharp
- 5 Stanley G. Ponting
- 6 Norman Summerhayes
- 7 G. William Critchley
- 8 Dennis Beresford (Conductor)

\*650th peal.

**BUCKLEBURY, Berkshire, St. Mary.**  
Sat., Aug. 8, 1970, 2hr. 54min. (11½ cwt.)

**5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Composed by William Butler.

- \*1 David Livingston
- 2 Michael Hatchett
- †3 Mary Lawrenson
- 4 J. Malcolm Tyler
- 5 Reginald Rex
- 6 Henry Lawrenson
- 7 Ronald C. Christopher
- 8 William Butler (Conductor)

\*First in method. †First inside.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS**

**TOTTENHAM, London, N., St. Ann.**

Sat., July 25, 1970, 2hr. 45min. (7½ cwt.)

**5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR** (10 methods: 960 London and Watford, 640 Cambridge, Cassiobury and Rutland, 320 Bristol, Glasgow and Yorkshire, and 160 Pudsey and Superlative, with 149 changes of method).

Composed by Anthony R. Peake.

- 1 Angela M. Wright
- 2 Joan Beresford
- 3 James A. D. Woolford
- 4 Christopher P. Starbuck
- 5 Stanley G. Ponting
- 6 Derek E. Sibson (Conductor)
- 7 John R. Pratchett
- 8 Dennis Beresford

**SHOREDITCH, London, E., St. Leonard.**

Tues., Aug. 4, 1970, 2hr. 57min. (28½ cwt.)

**5088 KETTERING SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by Roger D. Bailey.

- 1 Gillian M. Brearley
- 2 M. Louise Slater
- 3 Sheila M. Dobbie
- 4 S. Kathleen M. Baldwin
- 5 Tony Skilton
- 6 Derek E. Sibson
- 7 Christopher P. Starbuck (Conductor)
- 8 Walter H. Dobbie

First peal in the method by all.

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**

**CODDINGTON, Notts, All Saints.**

Sat., Aug. 15, 1970, 2hr. 28min. (7 cwt.)

**5040 MINOR** (1 Oxford T.B. and Cambridge Surprise, 1 2160 Kent T.B. and 2 Plain Bob).

- 1 F. William Midwinter
- \*2 Anne Vessey
- 3 Paul Raithby
- 4 James W. Raithby
- \*5 Paul F. Curtis
- 6 Colin W. Reed (Conductor)

\*First in four Minor methods.

**SUFFOLK GUILD**

**PAKEFIELD, Suffolk, All Saints and St. Margaret.**

Sat., Aug. 1, 1970, 2hr. 43min. (8 cwt.)

**5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by Thomas B. Worsley.

- 1 Frank C. J. Arnold
- 2 Arthur G. Mason
- 3 Patricia M. Clarke
- 4 Muriel R. Page
- 5 Walter W. Miller
- 6 Adrian Knights
- 7 H. William Barrett
- 8 Leslie G. Brett (Conductor)

**WORLINGWORTH, Suffolk, St. Mary.**

Wed., Aug. 5, 1970, 2hr. 41min. (12 cwt.)

**5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by Charles J. Sedgley. (54.)

- 1 Walter W. Miller
- 2 J. Martin Thorley
- 3 Muriel R. Page
- 4 Arthur G. Mason
- 5 Ernest G. Pearce
- 6 Thomas W. Cook
- 7 H. William Barrett
- 8 Leslie G. Brett (Conductor)

**GRUNDISBURGH, Suffolk, St. Mary.**

Tues., Aug. 11, 1970, 3hr. (8 cwt.)

**5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Composed by William Pye.

- 1 Ernest G. Pearce
- 2 Leslie G. Brett
- 3 Adrian Knights
- 4 Michael J. Howes
- 5 Rev. Lawrence R. Pizzey
- 6 Alan J. Munnings
- 7 J. Martin Thorley
- 8 Cecil W. Pipe
- \*9 John P. Loveless
- 10 Ernest W. Pye (Conductor)

\*First on ten bells. Specially arranged and rung on the centenary of the birth of William Pye.

**ASHBOCKING, Suffolk, All Saints.**

Sat., Aug. 15, 1970, 2hr. 39min. (10 cwt.)

**5040 MINOR** (1 Rev. Canterbury, Single Oxford, Double Oxford, 2 St. Clements and Plain Bob).

- \*1 Marion H. Saker
- 2 Peter W. Archer
- 3 David J. H. Barber
- 4 Kelvin Dakin
- 5 Roy W. Lockwood
- 6 Rev. Lawrence R. Pizzey (Cond.)

\*First peal. Birthday compliments to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. C. Lockwood.

**FRAMSDEN, Suffolk, St. Mary.**

Sun., Aug. 16, 1970, 2hr. 46min. (16 cwt.)

**5024 GAINSBOROUGH S. MAJOR**

Composed by C. J. Sedgley.

- 1 Muriel R. Page
- 2 Dorothy M. Durrant
- 3 Leslie G. Brett
- \*4 Ernest G. Pearce
- 5 Alan G. Feaver
- 6 Vernon B. Bedford
- \*7 Adrian Knights
- 8 J. Martin Thorley (Conductor)

\*First in method. To commemorate the centenary of the birth of William Pye.

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD**

**UPHAM, Hants, Blessed Mary of Upham.**

Wed., July 15, 1970, 2hr. 36min. (8 cwt.)

**5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR** (7 extents).

- 1 Betty J. Daysh
- \*2 Angela Edwards
- 3 Roy Le Marechal
- 4 Barry J. Fry
- 5 Richard Green
- 6 Jonn P. Colliss (Conductor)

\*First attempt. Sixteenth birthday compliment to Angela Edwards.

**UPHAM, Hants, Blessed Mary of Upham.**

Fri., Aug. 7, 1970, 2hr. 17min. (8½ cwt.)

**5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR** (7 extents).

- \*1 Leonard Colley
- 2 John S. Hopwood
- 3 Barry J. Fry
- 4 John S. Croft
- 5 Roy Le Marechal
- †6 Edward W. Colley (Conductor)

\*First of Minor. †300th peal.



**NORTH STONEHAM, Hants, St. Nicholas.**  
Wed., Aug. 5, 1970, 2hr. 24min. (10½ cwt.)  
**5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**  
(J. J. Parker's 12-part.)

- \*1 Leonard Colley
- 2 Edward W. Colley
- 3 Anthony A. Nunn
- 4 Ian M. McCallion
- †5 Barry J. Fry
- 6 Roy Le Marechal
- 7 R. Brian Walton (Conductor)
- 8 John S. Hopwood

\*First on eight. †25th peal.

**SOUTHAMPTON, Hants, St. Mary.**  
Sat., Aug. 15, 1970, 3hr. 12min. (21½ cwt.)  
**5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS**  
Composed by Edgar C. Sheppard.

- \*1 David J. Forder (Conductor)
- †2 Roy Le Marechal
- †3 Jennifer L. Quaife
- †4 Ian M. McCallion
- 5 R. Brian Walton
- †6 John S. Croft
- §7 Barry J. Fry
- 8 Alan A. J. Buswell
- §9 Malcolm S. Turner
- 10 R. William Willans

\*Has now circled tower. †First on 10. ‡25th peal. §First of Caters inside. To commemorate the exact 350th anniversary of the sailing of the Mayflower from this port.

**PRESTON CANDOVER, Hants, St. Mary the Virgin.**

Sat., Aug. 15, 1970, 2hr. 28min. (4 cwt.)  
**5040 MINOR** (4 methods: 1 St. Clements Bob, 2 each Cambridge Surprise, Kent T.B. and Plain Bob).

- 1 Richard Green
- 2 Roy Le Marechal
- 3 Ian M. McCallion
- \*4 John S. Croft
- 5 Barry J. Fry
- 6 John P. Colliss (Conductor)

\*Most methods inside.

## SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

**ARUNDEL, Sussex, St. Nicholas.**

Sat., Aug. 1, 1970, 2hr. 48min. (13½ cwt.)  
**5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**  
(Parker's 12-part.)

- \*1 J. Duncan Weaver
- 2 Frank H. Hicks
- ††3 Ruth E. Halford
- †4 Christopher Renyard
- 5 R. Brian Walton
- 6 James H. Lilley
- 7 Philip Stevens (Conductor)
- 8 Patrick M. Wills

\*First of Triples. †First of Triples inside. ‡25th peal. First of Triples as conductor.

**In Rothwell Churchyard, Yorkshire, for a sexton:**

Here lies within this Porch so calm  
Old Thomas—pray sound his knell;  
Who thought no song was like a Psalm,  
No music like a Bell.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION

**ECKINGTON, Worcs, Holy Trinity.**

Thur., Aug. 6, 1970, 2hr. 56min. (14 cwt.)

**5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES**

Composed by Henry Hubbard.

- 1 Shirley M. Drew
- 2 Ralph Perks
- 3 Roger H. Hunt
- 4 Ronald Hickmott
- 5 Christopher Pickford
- 6 Christopher Hims
- 7 Geoffrey R. Drew (Conductor)
- 8 Kenneth Pratt

First on the bells since augmentation (December, 1968). A wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Perks.

## YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

**CHAPEL ALLERTON, Leeds, West Yorks, St. Matthew.**

Wed., Aug. 5, 1970, 2hr. 36min. (7½ cwt.)

**5040 LONDON SURPRISE MINOR**

- 1 Ruth Richardson
- \*2 Suzanne J. Snack
- †3 Ronald J. Snack
- †4 Graham J. Jones
- †5 Peter H. Gardner
- 6 C. Barrie Dove (Conductor)

\*First of London. †Circled tower twice. ‡First of Minor in the method. Congratulations to Bob and Gail Cater on the birth of a daughter, Julia Rachel.

(Sheffield and District Society)  
**HANDSWORTH, Yorks, St. Mary.**

Sat., Aug. 15, 1970, 3 hr. (12 cwt.)

**5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Composed by J. E. Burton.

- 1 John J. L. Gilbert (Conductor)
- \*2 Peter J. Hollis
- 3 Ronald Birch
- \*4 Margaret J. R. Duke
- 5 Judith J. Gilbert
- 6 John Coad
- 7 David J. Kelly
- 8 John F. S. Eborall

\*First peal. A farewell to Margaret Duke before leaving for New Zealand.

## Handbells

### DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

**SHEFFIELD, Yorks, 194 Gleadless Com.**

Sun., Aug. 2, 1970, 1hr. 48min. (14 in D.)

**5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR**  
(7 extents.)

- \*1-2 Timothy Wylie
- †3-4 Geoffrey Bridges
- †5-6 A. Colin Banton (Conductor)

\*First of Treble Bob on handbells. †First of Kent on handbells.

A compliment to Simon P. D. Burnett and Susan L. Day on their recent engagement; also birthday compliments to Timothy Wylie and Geoffrey Bridges.

**SHEFFIELD, Yorks, 194 Gleadless Com.**

Sun., Aug. 16, 1970, 1hr. 39min. (14 in D.)

**5040 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR**  
(7 extents.)

- 1-2 Timothy Wylie
- 3-4 Geoffrey Bridges
- 5-6 Colin Banton (Conductor)

First peal of Oxford on handbells for all.

### CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

**MACCLESFIELD, Cheshire, 10 Eden Dr.**

Thur., Aug. 6, 1970, 2hr. 57min. (15 in C.)

**5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS**  
Composed by J. Reeves.

- 1-2 J. David Atkinson
- 3-4 Alan F. Scholfield (Conductor)
- 5-6 C. Kenneth Lewis
- 7-8 Gerald Moorhouse
- 9-10 John Gander
- 11-12 Neil D. Lomas

**PRESTBURY, Cheshire, West Pines.**

Thur., Aug. 13, 1970, 2hr. 28min. (15 in C.)

**5000 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL**

Arranged by A. F. Scholfield.

- 1-2 Alan F. Scholfield (Conductor)
- 3-4 C. Kenneth Lewis
- 5-6 Gerald Moorhouse
- 7-8 J. David Atkinson

\*9-10 William H. Dowse

\*First of Treble Bob Royal in hand.

### KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

**GILLINGHAM, Kent, 31 South Avenue.**

Mon., Aug. 10, 1970, 1hr. 37min. (10 in A.)

**5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR**

- \*1-2 Christopher T. Osenton (Cond.)
- 3-4 Trevor A. Cross
- 5-6 Peter S. Muchlinski

\*Have now completed Kent family from Minor to Maximus in hand. A 21st birthday compliment to Phyllis R. Osenton, wife of the conductor.

**FRINDSBURY, Kent, 12 Hever House, Cypress Court.**

Wed., Aug. 12, 1970, 2hr. 27min. (15 in C.)

**5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS**

- \*1-2 Peter S. Muchlinski
- 3-4 Christopher T. Osenton (Cond.)
- 5-6 Trevor A. Cross
- 7-8 Edward J. Beer
- 9-10 Stuart Sandford

\*First of Caters in hand.

### NORTH AMERICAN GUILD

**TORONTO, Ontario, Canada, 50 Ravensbourne Crescent.**

Tues., July 28, 1970, 2hr. 16min. (12 in E.)

**5184 KENT AND OXFORD T.B. MAJOR**  
(Ilkeston variation.)

Composed by Edwin Timbrell.

- \*1-2 David Ingram
- †3-4 William H. Jackson
- †5-6 Derek M. Sawyer (Conductor)
- †7-8 John Owen

\*First in this variation in hand. †First in this variation. First in this variation in North America.

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**WASHINGTON, Mount St. Alban, D.C.,  
The Cathedral.**

Tues., July 28, 1970, 2hr. 40min.

**5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL**

Arranged by Simon Humphrey.

\*1-2 Ann Gardner

\*3-4 Richard S. Dirksen

5-6 Simon Humphrey (Conductor)

\*7-8 Marjorie Batchelor

†9-10 Penny Moriarty

\*First of Royal in hand. †First peal.  
Believed to be the first 10-bell handbell peal  
in North America.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD****MAIDENHEAD, Berks, 80 Lambourne Dr.,  
Cox Green.**

Fri., June 12, 1970, 2hr. 12min. (11 in G.)

**5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

1-2 Keith J. Walpole

3-4 Jennifer A. Dunning

5-6 Christopher I. Rowson (Conductor)

\*7-8 Robert H. Newton

\*First of Surprise on handbells.

**MAIDENHEAD, Berks, 80 Lambourne Dr.,  
Cox Green.**

Wed., July 1, 1970, 2hr. 8min. (13 in E.)

**5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**

1-2 Jennifer A. Dunning

3-4 Christopher I. Rowson (Cond.)

5-6 Keith J. Walpole

7-8 Robert H. Newton

First on handbells in the method by all  
and for the Guild.

**CROWTHORNE, Berkshire, Zermatt,**

Fri., July 3, 1970, 2hr. 34min. (24 in D.)

**5040 YORK SURPRISE ROYAL**

Composed by C. K. Lewis.

1-2 Frank C. Price

\*3-4 Christopher I. Rowson

†5-6 Bernard F. L. Groves (Conductor)

\*7-8 Noel J. Diserens

†9-10 N. David Lane

\*First of Surprise Royal in hand. †First of  
Surprise in hand as conductor. ‡First  
of Surprise in hand.

**WOODLEY, Berks, 9 Ryecroft Close.**

Fri., July 10, 1970, 2hr. 32min. (17 in A.)

**5040 YORK SURPRISE ROYAL**

Composed by C. K. Lewis.

1-2 Frank C. Price (Conductor)

3-4 Christopher I. Rowson

5-6 Bernard F. L. Groves

\*7-8 Kenneth R. Davenport

9-10 Noel J. Diserens

\*First of Surprise in hand.

**MAIDENHEAD, Berks, 80 Lambourne Dr.,  
Cox Green.**

Wed., July 15, 1970, 2hr. 15min. (13 in E.)

**5088 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR**

1-2 Keith J. Walpole

3-4 Jennifer A. Dunning

5-6 Christopher I. Rowson (Conductor)

7-8 Robert H. Newton

First on handbells in the method by all  
and for the guild.

**CROWTHORNE, Berkshire, Zermatt,**  
Fri., July 17, 1970, 3hr. 17min. (20 in E.)  
**5040 KENT TREBLE BOB FOURTEEN**  
1-2 Frank C. Price  
3-4 Jennifer A. Dunning  
5-6 Christopher I. Rowson  
7-8 Noel J. Diserens  
9-10 Bernard F. L. Groves (Conductor)  
11-12 Kenneth R. Davenport  
13-14 N. David Lane

**MAIDENHEAD, Berks, 80 Lambourne Dr.,  
Cox Green.**

Sat., July 18, 1970, 2hr. 30min. (16 in B.)

**5200 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL**

\*1-2 N. David Lane

3-4 Jennifer A. Dunning

5-6 Christopher I. Rowson

7-8 Keith J. Walpole (Conductor)

†9-10 Robert H. Newton

\*50th on handbells. †First of Treble Bob  
on handbells.

**SOUTHCOTE, Berkshire, 6 Barn Close.**

Wed., July 22, 1970, 2hr. 29min. (27 in A.)

**5200 OXFORD TREBLE BOB ROYAL**

\*1-2 Jennifer A. Dunning

3-4 Christopher I. Rowson (Conductor)

5-6 Kenneth R. Davenport

7-8 Bernard F. L. Groves

9-10 N. David Lane

\*First in the method.

**LONDON, The Belfry, St. Olave's, Hart St.**

Thur., July 23, 1970, 2hr. 20min. (13 in E.)

**5376 LINCOLNSHIRE S. MAJOR**

(Humphrey's.)

1-2 Jennifer A. Dunning

3-4 Christopher I. Rowson (Conductor)

5-6 Keith J. Walpole

7-8 Robert H. Newton

First on handbells in the method by all  
and for the guild.

**EAST RIDING RINGERS'  
HOLIDAY****YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION****PEALS RUNG FOR THE BEVERLEY &  
DISTRICT SOCIETY****HAYFIELD, Derbyshire, St. Matthew.**

Sat., July 25, 1970, 2hr. 51min. (11 cwt.)

**5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by R. W. Pipe.

1 Stephen K. Thompson

2 Roderick R. Horton

3 Ian G. Campbell

4 Maris C. Stephenson

\*5 Peter Church

6 Robert W. Sherriff

†7 Ronald Ducker

8 John R. Leary (Conductor)

\*50th on tower bells. †200th peal.

**For an unbaptised baby in Ingatestone  
Churchyard, Essex:**

No name have I O Christ to offer Thee,  
Nor on my brow received the sacred sign,  
Yet in the Book of Life remember me  
I plead by Saviour's Name instead of [mine.

**BOLLINGTON, Cheshire, St. John the  
Baptist.**

Wed., July 29, 1970, 2hr. 49min. (17 cwt.)

**5088 PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by Simon Humphrey.

\*1 Maris C. Stephenson

2 Stephen K. Thompson

3 Ian G. Campbell

†4 Roderick R. Horton

\*5 Ronald Ducker

6 John R. Leary (Conductor)

7 Peter Church

8 John N. D. Chaddock

\*50th together. †First in method.

**EASTWOOD, Notts, St. Mary.**

Sat., Aug. 1, 1970, 3hr. 5min. (19 cwt.)

**5088 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR (5**

methods: 1152 Bristol, Yorkshire, 960 Cam-  
bridge, Lincolnshire, 864 Rutland, 74  
changes of method, all the work).

Composed by Philip G. K. Davies.

1 Stephen K. Thompson

\*2 Peter Church

3 Maris C. Stephenson

4 F. Neville Pailing

5 Ian G. Campbell

6 John R. Leary (Conductor)

\*7 Roderick R. Horton

8 Ronald Ducker

\*First of Spliced Major.

**Coventry Diocesan Guild.****GALAXY OF TOWERS**

The July meeting was held on the 4th at  
Fenny Compton, together with ringing at  
eight other towers throughout the day. The  
ringing was well attended, showing that this  
arrangement is very popular with the mem-  
bers. The Rev. S. A. Cyster gave an in-  
teresting talk during the service, based on  
the course of bells during change ringing.  
Tea was arranged by Mr. Spraggett in the  
village hall.

The appreciation of the guild to the  
vicar, organist and Mr. Spraggett for the  
excellent arrangements, and to all the in-  
cumbents for allowing us the use of the  
bells was expressed by Mr. Stote.

The committee's recommendations on  
finance were accepted and it was agreed  
that the balance sheet be modified to in-  
clude any outstanding commitments, and  
that the funds be invested.

After considerable discussion on the run-  
ning of a course in change ringing, it was  
decided this could be arranged during the  
winter months to take place one week-end.

The president gave a report on the pro-  
ceedings at the Central Council meeting at  
Ilkley, and the secretary announced that  
the arrangements for the Council meeting at  
Leamington in 1971 were nearly com-  
plete.

The meeting stood in remembrance of  
Mrs. Olive Vann, and at the close of the  
meeting the secretary asked for comments  
to be made on the new service form (used  
during the day) so that the forms could be  
printed.

Ringing continued until 8.30 p.m.

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# **WESSEX RINGERS' WEEK**

All peals rung for Salisbury Diocesan Guild (unless otherwise stated).

## **RADCLIFFE-ON-TRENT, Notts, St. Mary.**

Mon., July 27, 1970, 2hr. 52min. (15 cwt.)

### **5088 LINCOLNSHIRE S. MAJOR**

Composed by William Barton.

- 1 Graham W. Elmes
- \*2 Christopher F. Longridge
- 3 Mary E. Elmes
- 4 William T. Perrins
- 5 John N. Longridge
- 6 Richard H. Youdale
- 7 D. Roy Bould
- 8 David G. Massey (Conductor)

\*First of Surprise Major.

## **GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS**

**W. BRIDGFORD, Notts, Musters Hotel.**

Mon., July 27, 1970, 1hr. 33min.

### **5049 PLAIN BOB MINOR (7 callings).**

- 1-2 Christopher F. Longridge
- 3-4 John N. Longridge
- 5-6 Timothy F. Collins (Conductor)

**BULWELL, Nottingham, St. Mary and All Saints.**

Tues., July 28, 1970, 2hr. 52min. (16 cwt.)

### **5024 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by Norman Smith.

- 1 Mary E. Elmes
- \*2 Christopher F. Longridge
- 3 William T. Perrins
- 4 Graham W. Elmes
- 5 Richard H. Youdale
- 6 Ronald N. Marlow
- \*7 D. Ray Bould
- 8 David G. Massey (Conductor)

\*First of Rutland.

**NOTTINGHAM, St. Peter with St. James.**

Tues., July 28, 1970, 3hr. 9min. (19 cwt.)

### **5042 CAMBRIDGE S. MAXIMUS**

Composed by Peter Border.

- 1 Katharine J. Maundrell
- 2 Mary E. Elmes
- 3 Robert E. J. Dennis (Conductor)
- 4 Graham W. Elmes
- 5 William T. Perrins
- \*6 David G. Massey
- \*7 D. Roy Bould
- 8 John N. Longridge
- †9 Timothy F. Collins
- 10 Richard H. Youdale
- 11 Richard A. G. Inglis
- 12 Ronald N. Marlow

\*First of Surprise Maximus. †200th peal.

# **WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD**

## **RUDDINGTON, Notts, St. Peter.**

Tues., July 28, 1970, 2hr. 36min. (9 cwt.)

### **5184 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by John N. Longridge.

- 1 Christopher F. Longridge
- 2 Timothy F. Collins (Conductor)
- 3 Katharine J. Maundrell
- 4 Graham W. Elmes
- 5 John N. Longridge
- 6 William L. Exton
- 7 Richard A. G. Inglis
- 8 Robert E. J. Dennis

## **EASTWOOD, Notts, St. Mary.**

Wed., July 29, 1970, 3hr. 9 min. (19 cwt.)

### **5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR (9**

methods: 576 Ashted, Cambridge, Lincolnshire, London, Pudsey, Rutland, Superlative, Yorkshire, 448 Bristol, 136 changes of method).

Composed by Norman Smith.

- 1 Richard H. Youdale (Conductor)
- \*2 David G. Massey
- 3 Katharine J. Maundrell
- \*4 William T. Perrins
- 5 Graham W. Elmes
- 6 Timothy F. Collins
- \*7 Ronald N. Marlow
- 8 Richard A. G. Inglis

\*Most Spliced Major.

## **GREASLEY, Notts, St. Mary.**

Wed., July 29, 1970, 2hr. 47min. (13 cwt.)

### **5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES**

(Washbrook's.)

- 1 Timothy F. Collins
- 2 D. Roy Bould
- \*3 Mary E. Elmes
- 4 Christopher F. Longridge
- 5 David G. Massey
- 6 John N. Longridge
- 7 William T. Perrins
- 8 Robert E. J. Dennis (Conductor)

\*First of Stedman Triples.

## **LOUTH, Lincolnshire, St. James.**

Thurs., July 30, 1970, 3hr. 31min. (31 cwt.)

### **5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

(Middleton's.)

- 1 Robert E. J. Dennis
- 2 David G. Massey
- 3 John W. Blackwood
- 4 William T. Perrins (Conductor)
- 5 Graham W. Elmes
- 6 Richard H. Youdale
- 7 Timothy F. Collins
- 8 Ronald N. Marlow

# **LINCOLN, St. Hugh's Tower.**

Thur., July 30, 1970, 3hr. 25min. (24 cwt.)

## **5007 STEDMAN CINQUES**

Composed by Hadley Hunter.

- 1 Mary E. Elmes
- 2 Katharine J. Maundrell
- \*3 David G. Massey
- 4 Richard A. G. Inglis (Conductor)
- 5 Richard H. Youdale
- 6 Graham W. Elmes
- 7 D. Roy Bould
- 8 Ronald N. Marlow
- \*9 John N. Longridge
- 10 Timothy F. Collins
- 11 William T. Perrins
- 12 Robert E. J. Dennis

\*First of Cinques.

# **LINCOLN, St. Giles.**

Fri., July 31, 1970, 2hr. 50min. (18 cwt.)

## **5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR (4**

methods: 1440 Yorkshire, 1280 Cambridge, Lincolnshire, 1120 Rutland, 69 changes of method and all the work).

Composed by Philip G. K. Davies.

- 1 Christopher F. Longridge
- 2 Mary E. Elmes
- 3 Robert E. J. Dennis
- 4 William T. Perrins
- 5 John N. Longridge
- 6 Richard H. Youdale
- \*7 D. Roy Bould
- 8 Timothy F. Collins (Conductor)

\*First of Spliced Major.

# **SUTTON-ON-TRENT, Notts, All Saints.**

Fri., July 31, 1970, 2hr. 54min. (12 cwt.)

## **5056 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by Anthony J. Cox.

- 1 D. Roy Bould
- \*2 Christopher F. Longridge
- 3 Katharine J. Maundrell (Conductor)
- 4 David G. Massey
- 5 Graham W. Elmes
- 6 Richard H. Youdale
- 7 Ronald N. Marlow
- 8 Richard A. G. Inglis

\*First of Superlative.

# **COLSTON BASSETT, Notts, St. John the Divine.**

Sat., Aug. 1, 1970, 3hr. 7min. (22 cwt.)

## **5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by S. J. Ivin.

- 1 Timothy F. Collins
- 2 Mary E. Elmes
- 3 D. Roy Bould
- 4 Christopher F. Longridge
- 5 John N. Longridge
- 6 Graham W. Elmes
- 7 Ronald N. Marlow
- 8 George E. Thoday (Conductor)

# **SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD**

## **BALDERTON, Notts, St. Giles.**

Sat., Aug. 1, 1970, 2hr. 22min. (8 cwt.)

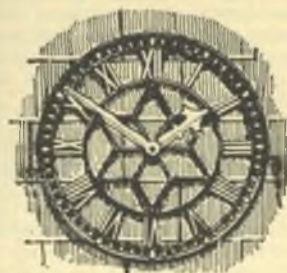
## **5056 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR (9**

methods: 576 Ashted, Cambridge, Lincolnshire, London, Pudsey, Rutland, Superlative, Yorkshire, 448 Bristol, 136 changes of method).

Composed by Norman Smith.

- 1 William L. Exton
- 2 Katharine J. Maundrell
- 3 David G. Massey
- 4 Richard H. Youdale
- 5 Ian L. Dear
- 6 Andrew J. Slade
- \*7 Michael B. Jefferyes
- 8 Richard A. G. Inglis (Conductor)

\*First of Spliced Surprise Major. A wedding compliment for Stewart Lale and Hazel Ward, married at this church.



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**HAMPSHIRE PEAL TOUR****WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH  
DIOCESAN GUILD****NEW ALRESFORD, Hants, St. John the Baptist.**

Mon., Aug. 10, 1970, 3hr. 3min. (16 cwt.)

**5152 LINCOLNSHIRE S. MAJOR**

Composed by S. Humphrey.

- 1 Iris M. E. Lemare
- 2 Richard J. Tibbetts (Conductor)
- 3 Christopher I. Rowson
- 4 John S. Seager
- 5 M. Alec Beaumont
- 6 Malcolm S. Turner
- 7 Stuart R. Armeson
- 8 J. Henry Fielden

**HAWKLEY, Hants, SS. Peter and Paul.**

Mon., Aug. 10, 1970, 2hr. 47min. (7½ cwt.)

**5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by T. B. Worsley.

- 1 Edward W. Colley
- 2 Patricia North
- 3 Margaret White
- 4 Marie Hatswell
- 5 Neil Donovan
- 6 Ian North
- 7 David Nichols
- 8 Richard E. Price (Conductor)

**HASLEMERE, Surrey, St. Bartholomew.**

Mon., Aug. 10, 1970, 2hr. 55min. (13 cwt.)

**5007 STEDMAN CATERS**

Composed by J. M. H. Hunter.

- 1 Richard E. Price
- 2 Patricia North
- 3 Margaret White
- 4 Neil Donovan
- 5 Ian North
- 6 M. Alec Beaumont
- 7 David Nichols
- 8 Richard J. Tibbetts
- 9 Stuart R. Armeson (Conductor)
- 10 Malcolm S. Turner

**RYDE, Isle of Wight, All Saints.**

Wed., Aug. 12, 1970, 3hr. 18min. (26 cwt.)

**5088 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by Ian M. Holland.

- 1 Marie Hatswell
- 2 Iris M. E. Lemare
- 3 Richard J. Tibbetts
- 4 Neil Donovan
- 5 J. Henry Fielden
- 6 M. Alec Beaumont
- 7 Christopher I. Rowson
- 8 Richard E. Price (Conductor)

**SHEFIELD, Hants, St. John the Baptist.**

Thur., Aug. 13, 1970, 3hr. 3min. (12½ cwt.)

**5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR**

Composed by C. K. Lewis.

- 1 Stuart R. Armeson
- 2 Jennifer M. Indge
- 3 Marie Hatswell
- 4 Patricia North
- 5 Ian North
- 6 John S. Seager
- 7 Neil Donovan
- 8 David Nichols (Conductor)

**CURDRIDGE, Hants, St. Peter.**

Thur., Aug. 13, 1970, 3hr. 16min. (25½ cwt.)

**5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by C. P. Starbuck.

- 1 Iris M. E. Lemare
- 2 Margaret White
- 3 M. Alec Beaumont
- 4 Edward W. Colley
- 5 Richard J. Tibbetts
- 6 Christopher I. Rowson
- 7 Malcolm S. Turner
- 8 Richard E. Price (Conductor)

**SOBERTON, Hants, St. Peter.**

Thur., Aug. 13, 1970, 2hr. 47min. (13½ cwt.)

**5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR**

Composed by W. E. Critchley.

- 1 Christopher I. Rowson
- 2 Iris M. E. Lemare
- 3 Neil Donovan
- 4 Ian North
- 5 Patricia North
- 6 Richard J. Tibbetts
- 7 M. Alec Beaumont
- 8 Stuart R. Armeson (Conductor)

**SOUTHAMPTON, Hants, St. Mary.**

Fri., Aug. 14, 1970, 3hr. 15min. (21½ cwt.)

**5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL**

Composed by W. Pye.

- 1 Patricia North
- 2 Marie Hatswell
- 3 Iris M. E. Lemare
- 4 Ian North
- 5 Christopher I. Rowson
- 6 John S. Seager
- 7 Neil Donovan
- 8 M. Alec Beaumont
- 9 David Nichols
- 10 Richard E. Price (Conductor)

On the centenary of the birth of W. Pye.

**EAST TYTHERLEY, Hants, St. Peter.**

Fri., Aug. 14, 1970, 3hr. 8min. (14½ cwt.)

**5152 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR (4**

methods: London, Bristol, Superlative, Cambridge, all the work).

Composed by A. J. Pitman.

- 1 Malcolm S. Turner
- 2 Neil Donovan
- 3 Iris M. E. Lemare
- 4 Patricia North
- 5 Ian North
- 6 J. Henry Fielden (Conductor)
- 7 Richard J. Tibbetts
- 8 Christopher I. Rowson

**The Truro Diocesan Guild.**—Gulval, Cornwall (St. Gulval), Wednesday, May 6, 1970, 5040 Plain Bob Triples in 3 hrs. (tenor 13 cwt.): John J. George (first Triples) 1, Geoffrey W. Taysom 2, Canon A. S. Roberts 3, W. Reginald Curtis 4, Anthony P. Smith 5, Timothy J. Bell 6, F. Malcolm Bowers (conductor) 7, Denis Stephens 8. Composition: Hubbard's five-part. First Bob Triples 4, 5, 6 and 7. Rung for Feast of Transfiguration.

**CONCERTED EFFORT**

At All Saints' Church, Blaby, Messrs. A. J. Poyner, the conductor (Aylestone), R. H. Cook (Asfordby), R. A. Clarke and C. Mobbs (Birstall) and J. E. Harrold (Wigston Magna), members of the Leicester Diocesan Guild, rang a sponsored peal of 21 Doubles methods on Saturday, July 25, in aid of the church's Sixth Bell Fund.

The Blaby ringers are very pleased with this effort, which is expected to raise about £30. The idea of a "sponsored peal" sparked off a good deal of enthusiasm in the Leicester Diocese, and many bands have already generously donated. The sponsored peal account is still open for receipt of contributions and donations and therefore the total amount collected is at present unknown.

The Sixth Bell Fund account now stands at £560, but the estimated cost of the work is in the region of £2,000! Although this figure appears to be on the high side, the work involves more than the addition of a new treble bell. The existing five bells will have to be completely rehung and a new two-tier frame installed, there being no room at the existing level for a sixth bell. It is also likely that the floor, where the bells are installed, will have to be lowered in the tower.

**Leeds University Society.****SUMMER TOUR**

This year the society decided to go camping again and made their headquarters near Romsey, in Hampshire—a change from Devon, where the two previous tours had been held. The tour started on July 5 at North Stoneham, where Little Bob Royal was scored.

Fourteen members assembled, viz.: John Allen, Robert Beresford, Richard Chantler, Mike Dodson, John Durham, Chris Forster, Alan Glover, Roger Green, John Ottaway, Jon Rose and Misses Ros Brown, Alison Child, Gill Cleaver and Ros Perry. Later that evening Chris Forster had to leave as he was leaving for Russia the next day.

In all, 43 towers were visited. Monday was spent in the Southampton area, starting at Bishopstoke, and later the party moved on to ring at six other towers, including St. Mary's, Southampton, and Lyndhurst, where Geoff Cooper (a past president) joined the band.

The Portsmouth area on Tuesday included the Cathedral and four other towers. There was also a visit to Southsea, but the swimming was rather painful because of the stony beach. At Havant the movement of the frame caused some concern but we were assured it was safe to ring. Later Jon Rose left for home and the night was marked by tremendous thunderstorms, but none of the tents was washed away.

The next day we made for the Winchester district, and Glasgow was rung at Bishops Waltham. Sparsholt was the "annual five" and good use was also made of the tower's handbells. Pattie Clapham, Liz Campbell and Graham Jones arrived during the ringing, after a very fast journey from Leeds, and later there was ringing at Winchester College.

Thursday was Dorset day, starting at Wimborne Minster. The arrival at Poole was rather belated but the party was given a warm welcome and allowed to extend the visit. In the afternoon Wareham bells were obtained at short notice, and some time was spent on a beach near Bournemouth. Another dash led to Christchurch Priory, and much amusement caused by the unusual noise of the chimes, which whirr and chortle intermittently. At Lymington the local ringers made us very welcome at their practice night.

Friday was a full day, which started well at Romsey Abbey and included all the ringable towers in Salisbury. On the fine eight at Ringwood a touch of ten Spliced Surprise proved more successful than Stedman. This was supposed to end the day's ringing, but an extra ring was enjoyed later in the evening at East Tytherley.

An early start was needed to arrive at Basingstoke for 9.30 a.m. on Saturday, where the party rang on both the eight and the nine, and a touch of 12-spliced was rung at Alton. The party was made welcome at a meeting at Blackmoor before going to ring at Liss. After ringing at Easebourne Priory the party was entertained to tea by Mrs. Palmer (mother of Laurie, a society member who was unable to take part in the tour) and the last tower was at East Meon.

The numbers had increased to 18 by the arrival of Jan Buckley, Mick Rollason and Geoff Cooper, and the tour's final tower was Winchester Cathedral for Sunday morning service, arranged specially by Geoff with the Cathedral ringers. After a very enjoyable time the campers separated and some were able to ring at Wells Cathedral in the afternoon.

A. P. C.



## Editorial

### UNFORTUNATE OCCURRENCE—IF TRUE

THE recent letter signed by L. S. Grenfell, who stated he was people's warden at St. Peter's Church, Preston, Brighton, and complaining about three young men who supposedly rang the bells of the church against the express wishes of the vicar, has caused something of a stir in several places.

Following the publication of the letter, the Editor received a phone call at his home (after the caller had twice failed to contact him at his office) from Mr. D. Snoswell, of Bentham Road, Brighton, stating that he had been talking to the Vicar of St. Peter's, who (he said) was furious. There was no such person as Mr. Grenfell on the electoral roll, or a churchwarden of that name. Asked if the facts of the letter were correct Mr. Snoswell said yes, and added that the vicar wanted an apology from the three young men, who came from Croydon area. They were known and if they did not apologise within three weeks the names would be published in the R.W. and the vicar would take legal action. There must be a letter regarding the "Mr. Grenfell" in the next issue, he added.

The Editor asked the caller if this also might not be a hoax, but Mr. Snoswell assured him this was not so.

A letter was despatched to the vicar (when phone calls were unanswered) asking for information. In the meantime a letter arrived from Mr. R. I. Vaughan, of Brighton, in which he confirmed that L. S. Grenfell did not exist but, contrary to Mr. Snoswell's story, said the vicar had readily given permission to the three young ringers who acted correctly in all respects. No damage was caused, nor was there any reason to anticipate any ban on ringing full circle at the church.

The vicar also wrote stating that there was no Mr. Grenfell and confirming Mr. Vaughan's account of what happened. He had given permission, no damage was caused or discourtesy met with at any time, and certainly no legal action was anticipated. The whole affair was most distasteful.

When the Editor received the letter from "L. S. Grenfell" he made copies and sent one to the master of the Sussex County Association and one to the vicar, asking for comments. A similar complaint earlier in the year from another association had been not proven, which caused the Editor to add the words "if true" to the complaint.

It has been suggested that the letter was written, in a fit of pique, by a ringer who objected to the bells of St. Peter's being rung by outsiders. Mr. Snoswell said he met the vicar, but this the vicar denies and said he only phoned him. Perhaps Mr. Snoswell will explain his misconstruction of the facts and why he phoned the Editor about legal action, etc.

Whissendine, we learn is in Rutland, not Leicestershire (see page 637, quarter peals). Leicestershire, we also learn, has been trying to get its hands on Rutland for many years but they haven't managed it yet!

## Belfry Gossip

First peal congratulations to Roger W. Pascoe, Marion H. Saker, Angela Edwards, Peter J. Hollis, Margaret J. R. Duke, Penny Moriarty (handbells).

"Living on the 13th floor, we have a panoramic view, extending from St. Paul's to Shoreditch—with Clerkenwell in the middle!" writes Michael Wycherley, having moved house.

We have been asked to state that the photographs in The Ringing Isle article were taken from the television screen whilst the programme was being shown—hence their rather poor reproduction quality. They were, of course, R.W. photos.

Over the past 14 years John Brain and Michael Horseman have rung many times together in North Somerset, and on July 27 at Compton Martin they rang their 150th quarter in each other's company. They have also rung in seven peals together—which indicates a preference for the former activity.

Miss Sally McCune, a ringer at St. Nicholas, Carrickfergus, for the past four years, was married at this church on July 8. The bellringers presented her with a canteen of cutlery. Carrickfergus has a ring of eight in a detached bell tower.

"Should there be a lengthy period before you receive this letter it will be due to the present state of the Canadian postal system, which is in a worse than usual state of chaos due to a series of rotating strikes and lock-outs," writes John Owen, of Hamilton, Ontario. (It took just seven days.—Editor.)

Touring Ireland.—According to the Irish Bell News, two parties are touring Ireland during August. Mr. David Smith, of Horsham, will tour both North and South from August 16 to 29, and Mr. Richard Youdale, of Winchester, will be in Northern Ireland from August 29 to September 4.

Miss Helen Hubert, whose home is at Jacob's Wells, Guildford, has passed her final medical examination with distinction at Dublin. The Irish Bell News reports that Dr. Hubert will be in Ireland for a while longer as she has taken up residence in a Dublin hospital. During her long training in Dublin Helen has been one of the main props of Dublin University Guild. Her visits to Guildford belfries when on vacation are always much appreciated.

Personal Records.—Timothy F. Collins (200 peals), Ronald Ducker (200), Ruth E. Halford (25), John S. Croft (25), Barry J. Fry (25), Edward W. Colley (300), Edgar R. Rapley (650), Richard Birch (25), Colin J. E. Wyld (50), David Phillipson (50), Stephen C. Wells (75), Stanley G. Ponting (500).

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Carter, of Seale, near Farnham, Surrey, celebrated their golden wedding last month. Jack, who is just 80, does not enjoy physically good health but talks occasionally about his ringing days in the Guildford Guild and of the happy times spent at ringing meetings. Mrs. Dorothy Carter is very well and a family gathering at their home, Lydgate, gave the couple great pleasure.

A change of purpose was necessary when a peal was rung at Watford, Herts. It was originally intended as a compliment to H.M. the Queen Mother for her 70th birthday, but was rung half-muffled following the death of Mr. Peter Gardner, whom several of the band had known for many years—one for over 30.

At Rayleigh, Essex, on August 11, an attempt for Stedman Triples ran round after the half-way single. This was to have been a wedding peal for the popular Essex couple Penny Halliwell and David Sloman, of Prittlewell, and the conductor offers his apologies to all concerned for his negligence when copying the composition.

Encouraging news comes from Mr. Richard S. Dirksen, ringing master of the N. American Guild. What is believed to be the first 10-bell handbell peal has been rung and this marks a significant advance in North American ringing. He also informs us of a revival at the Mitchell Tower in Chicago, Illinois, where a young band is struggling with rounds. A teaching party from Washington hopes to visit them soon.

The quarter peal rung at Headcorn, Kent, on Aug. 4 was to celebrate the 51st wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Grant. Mr. Grant, who learned to ring at Lydd 64 years ago and rang the curfew bell there, still rings regularly at Headcorn and even learns new Doubles methods to please his young pupils. The quarter was the first in seven methods for all, including the 15-years-old conductor, Nigel Sheppard.

"I have been persuaded to send an account of the recent outing by . . . mainly because I type with three fingers whilst he merely uses two."—From a correspondent who sends a neatly-typed single sheet. She feels it might be too long (a single quarto, double spaced) in view of editorial comment. No! it was just right. What we are contending with consists of 4, 6, 8 and one of 10 foolscap sheets, close written or single spaced—for which we have unfortunately room for only a quarter. The average report on a week's tour, we suggest, should be about 500-600 words.

It is not often we get the chance to ring for a person's 100th birthday, but at Asfordby, Leics, the ringers were delighted to compliment, with a quarter peal, Mrs. Polly Hudson, on her century. A very active lady, she spends considerable time reading (without spectacles!) and watching television. Her day-to-day routine includes interest in her daughter, her grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

With his tongue only halfway into his cheek, Mr. David Gullick points out the possible results if our request to be brief in reporting outings and tours was taken seriously. He finishes with the amusing story of an over-zealous new sales manager who, taking exception to the motorised vagaries of one of his elderly representatives, instructed him to leave his car at home and adhere to a rigid preordained itinerary from town to town by public transport. The weekly report sent in after a week said simply "No sales, but, thank God, caught all my trains!" Naturally we note the point Mr. Gullick makes, but at the moment we have several reports to "sub" which are very lengthy and give details of drinks consumed, fish and chip shops visited, and one reports Grandsire being rung at four of the five towers.



# Appendix F—COLLECTION OF SURPRISE METHODS (continued from page 684)

## C. SURPRISE MAXIMUS METHODS

75F. Indiana	(mx)—38—147T—1250—369T—147T—38—169T—50—16—5T—18—7.
76F. Utah	(mx)—3T—14—125T—36—147T—38—169T—50—16—3T—18—7.
77F. Stancil	(b)—3T—14—5T—16—7T—18—9T—10—18—9T—1270—E.
78F. Hurdsfield	(e)—3T—18—12—38—14—5T—16—7T—16—7T—34—E.
79F. Clifton	(mx)—56—14—78—36.14.9T.14.58.9T.14.9T.70—56—9T—78—1.
80F. Ealing	(f)—5T—14—56—36—14—5T—14—5T—14—5T—14—5.
81F. Leatherhead	(f)—5T—14—56—36.14—14.5T.14—14.5T.14—14.5T.14—14.5.
82F. Evesham	(b)—5T—16—127T—1238—149T—50—16—70—18—9T—10—9.
83F. Reading	(b) 3T—3T.14—12—3T—14—58—16—5T—1478—347T—78—3.
84F. Mellor	(f) 3T—3T.14—12—3T—14—5T—36—7T—18—9T—56—9.
85F. Barford	(f) 3T—3T.14—12—3T.14—14.5T.16—16.7T.58—16.9T.16—16.9.
86F. Fulham	(mx) 56—56.14—5T—36.14—14.5T—14—3T—34—3T—34—1.
87F. Pennine	(f) 78.56.90.14.78.56.90.3T.14.7T.90.58.90.14.9T.70.14.58.14.5T.14.50.14.7.

## D. LITTLE SURPRISE MAXIMUS METHOD

88F Littleport	(mx)—5T—14.5T—5T.36.14—14.5T—14—18.
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## 2. TABLE OF FIRST PERFORMANCES

### A. SURPRISE MAJOR METHODS

Alexandria	14- 5-69	Putney	3F.
Appledore	25- 1-69	Deddington	69C.
Artaxerxes	29-12-69	Norton, Worcs	30F.
Aswarby	9-11-69	Barnes	18F.
Barnwood		Rung In Spliced	45F.
Bedwardine	23- 8-69	Bedwardine	8F.
Bisley		Rung In Spliced	48F.
Bromyard	5- 7-69	Bromyard	20F.
Buckland		Rung In Spliced	12F.
Byron	23- 8-69	Harrow-on-the-Hill	62F.
Caversham		Rung In Spliced	57F.
Chalfont	20-11-69	Harrow Weald	49F.
Clent	19- 7-69	Clent	53F.
Covington	31- 1-69	Stratton St. Margaret	27F.
Dalcy Hill	27-12-69	Farnworth-with-Kearsley	26F.
Dalton	17- 4-69	Willesden	65F.
Dereham	11- 1-69	Stamford Hill	10F.
Dorcan	26- 4-69	Stratton St. Margaret	51F.
Drighlington	31- 5-69	Drighlington	61F.
Elmore	15- 3-69	Longney	14F.
Fairford		Rung In Spliced	5F.
Falcutt	31- 5-69	Oakham	11F.
Festilog	1- 2-69	Adderbury	55F.
Florence	19- 3-69	Norton, Worcs	35F.
Glamorgan	21- 6-69	Barnes	42F.
Glevum	4- 6-69	Stratton St. Margaret	39F.
Harwell		Rung In Spliced	46F.
Higham Ferrers	22-11-69	Higham Ferrers	22F.
Hollywood	26- 4-69	Packwood	60F.
Hunger Hill	13- 7-69	Helmshore	13F.
Ingoldmells	19- 4-69	Barnes	24F.
Ixworth	4- 9-69	Bushey	36F.
Jonah	13- 5-69	Longney	16F.
Jura	1- 2-69	Esher	41F.
Lathkill	27- 8-69	Darley Dale	15F.
Lewisham	23- 8-69	Lewisham	58F.
Little Bushey	7- 8-69	Bushey	37F.
Mattishall	26- 4-69	Stamford Hill	4F.
Medway	14- 6-69	Edenbridge	54F.
Mr. Rusty	24- 6-69	Norton, Worcs	38F.

Nempnett Thruwell	22-11-69
Nene	19- 4-69
Omega	10- 5-69
Osbourneby	25- 1-69
Papanul	17-12-69
Pershore	26-12-69
Pinxton	9- 3-69
Quethiock	4-10-69
Rushden	25-10-69
Sonning	
Spilsby	24- 7-69
Tattershall	8- 3-69
Taunton	5- 6-69
Tendring	20- 2-69
Thatcham	
Treales	14- 4-69
Tuffley	8-10-69
Ullswater	15- 5-69
Wareham	12- 8-69
Wellingborough	15- 3-69
Wilby	22- 3-69
Worthington	21- 2-69
Xennapod	16- 8-69
Xerxes	22- 1-69
Xystus	31- 5-69
Ypres	24- 5-69

### B. SURPRISE ROYAL METHODS

Bollington		Rung In Spliced	73F.
Ewerby	23-10-69	Isleworth	69F.
Gayton	12- 4-69	Northampton, St. Giles	66F.
Isleworth	10- 7-69	Isleworth	71F.
Kedleston	11-10-69	Derby, All Saints	68F.
New Gainsborough	15- 3-69	Retford	70F.
Thirston	27- 9-69	Daventry	67F.
Warfield	19- 7-69	Warfield	74F.
Wellesbourne	1- 2-69	Stratford-on-Avon	72F.

### C. SURPRISE MAXIMUS METHODS

Barford	27-11-69	Birmingham Cathedral	85F.
Clifton		Rung In Spliced	79F.
Ealing	22- 3-69	Leicester, St. Margaret	80F.
Evesham	4-10-69	Evesham	82F.
Fulham		Rung In Spliced	86F.
Hurdsfield		Rung In Spliced	78F.
Indiana		Rung In Spliced	75F.
Leatherhead		Rung In Spliced	81F.
Littleport Little	12- 8-69	Shoreditch	88F.
Mellor		Rung In Spliced	84F.
Pennine		Rung In Spliced	87F.
Reading		Rung In Spliced	83F.
Stancil	1- 3-69	Leicester Cathedral	77F.
Utah		Rung In Spliced	76F.
Wembley	20-11-69	Birmingham Cathedral	47D.

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## BIRTH

HILL.—On Aug. 11, to Audrey and Maurice Hill, 37 Tenby Close, Blackburn, a son, Simon Anthony, brother for Susan and Natalie. 9546

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

BALDWIN.—John, Beryl and family will be returning to 1 Harlington Avenue, Grove, Wantage, Berks, on Sept. 9. Telephone: Wantage 4207. 9544

SOTHERAN.—Peter and Sue (née Watts) now live at 68 The Headlands, Marske, Redcar, Teesside. Tel.: Redcar 71662. Ringers and gardeners welcome. 9539

## MISCELLANEOUS

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ABERYSTWYTH.—Any ringers coming up to University College of Wales, or College of Librarianship, Wales, next session, please contact Hilary Glazebrook, 7 Pensham Hill, Pershore, Worcs. for details. All welcome. 9516

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Annual Ringers' Service, Fordham, Sun., Sept. 13. Ringing from 5.30 p.m. for 6.30 Evensong and after service. 9532

EPSOM COMMON.—NO RINGING on Sunday, Sept. 6, or Wednesday, Sept. 9.—R. M. H. 9570

SOUTHAMPTON UNIVERSITY.—Anybody requiring details of our activities this coming year please contact me, Phillip Butler, at Hill House, 18 Heathfield Road, Keston, Kent, BR2 6BQ. All welcome. 9521

UNIVERSITY OF WALES.—Details for freshers can be obtained from Roy Falder, of Elmadale, Roebuck Gate, Stevenage, Herts. He can also put you in touch with the society secretary in each college. 9561

## PERSONAL

"He that earneth wages earneth wages to put it into a bag with holes."—Haggai 1, 6.

## HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION

DEVON.—On A30, four miles east of Exeter. Bed/breakfast from 22s. 6d. Reduced rates for more than one night. Car space.—Miss V. Look, Endsleigh House, Clyst Honiton, Exeter. Tel.: 67881. 9279

DORSET, near MILTON ABBEY.—B. and B. 20s. Evening meal 7s. 6d. Mrs. Dunford, Hambleton Cottage, Hilton, Blandford, Dorset. Homely accommodation in heart of lovely countryside. Indoor sanitation. Full terms on application. 8998

MID-DEVON.—Bed, breakfast and dinner. Good centre for touring. Mrs. A. Fidler, "Highcroft", Bow, Crediton. Also 4-berth caravan at Sandymouth Bay, near Bude.—Vacancies September. Bow 379. 9302

## EVENING MEETINGS AND PRACTICES

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Business meeting at the Lord Raglan, St. Martin-le-Grand, E.C., on Sept. 8 at 8.15 p.m. Practices: Sept. 8, St. Paul's Cathedral; Sept. 15, St. Mary-le-Bow; Sept. 22, St. Botolph, Aldgate; Sept. 29, Southwark Cathedral—all at 6.30 p.m.—J. G. A. Prior, 21a Fieldhouse Road, London, S.W.12. 9458

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Bath Branch.—Because of presentation of "Son et Lumière" at Parish Church as part of "Festival 700" celebrations, ringing practices at Keynsham on Thursdays, Sept. 10, 17 and 24 will be CANCELLED. 9509

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ely District.—Evening meeting, Longstanton, Sat., Sept. 5. Bells (8) 6.30–8.30 p.m. 9531

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—S.W. District.—Evening meeting, Romford, Sept. 12. Ringing 6–8 p.m. September's weekday practice at Waltham Abbey, 30th. 9513

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Chippenhams Branch.—Meeting, Long Newton (6), Fri., Sept. 11, 7.30 p.m. 9543

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Practice meeting at Egham, Sept. 5th, 6.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. Sausage supper after. Notification to ensure food supplies to Mrs. D. Parsons, 8 The Retreat, Englefield Green, Egham, Surrey. 9411

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—Practice, St. John (8), Weston-super-Mare, Wed., Sept. 9, 7.30 p.m. All welcome.—B. J. 9510

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Sonning Deanery Branch.—Practice meetings will be held at Wargrave on Sept. 5 and at Sonning on Sept. 19, both from 6 to 9 p.m. 9528

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Banbury and District Branch.—Practice, Deddington, Mon., Sept. 7, at 7.30 p.m.—B. J. Davls. 9553

SUFFOLK GUILD.—North West District.—Practice meeting, Felsham (6), on Friday evening, Sept. 11. Bells from 7 to 9 p.m. 9547

## AFTERNOON MEETINGS

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Striking competition at Harbury on Sat., Sept. 5. Teams will be notified of the times they are to ring in the afternoon. Tea 5 p.m. and service after tea. Further ringing after the service (6.30, approx.). Names for tea, please.—H. M. Windsor, 5 Park Lane, Harbury, near Leamington Spa (Harbury 504). (Further copies of the entry form can be obtained from the secretary.) 9364

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ilkeston District.—Meeting, Ashover, Derbys (8), Sat., Sept. 5, 3.30 p.m. Picnic tea. Ringing in the evening until 8 p.m. 9484

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Meeting, Woodchurch, Sat., Sept. 5. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea only for those who notify Mr. H. Wilkinson, 81 Front Road, Woodchurch, near Ashford, Kent.—A. P. S. B. 9500

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—By-meeting, Sat., Sept. 5, Meopham (note change of venue). Bells 3.15 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. R. Pellett, 32 Brattle, Woodchurch.—D. P. L. 9485

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—West Lindsey Branch.—Meeting, Haxey, Sat., Sept. 5. Bells (6) afternoon and evening. Names for tea.—Geo. L. A. Lunn, Crow Garth, Lea, Gainsborough. Tel.: 2623. 9489

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Baston on Sat., Sept. 5. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. C. Broughton, 119 Main Street, Baston, near Peterborough.—F. G. Vickers, Hon. Sec. 9434

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Monthly meeting, Conisbrough (8), 3.30–5 p.m., and Doncaster (8), 6.30–8.30 p.m., Sat., Sept. 5. Own arrangements for tea.—R. Fletcher, Hon. Sec. 9529

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Central District.—Car tour, Sept. 5, Badwell Ash, 3–3.45 p.m.; Gt. Ashfield, 4–4.45; Rickingham, 6–6.45; Redgrave, 7 p.m. 9495

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—Practice meeting, Warnham (8), Sat., Sept. 5. Bells 3–8.30 p.m. Picnic tea.—Jean Osbon, Div. Sec. 9468

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Christchurch and Southampton District.—Quarterly meeting, Ringwood, Sat., Sept. 5. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. in Old Hall, Ringwood. Sopley bells available in evening. Names for tea to Mrs. Collins, 82 Northfield Road, Ringwood, BH24 1ST, please. —Gillian Davis, Dis. Sec. 9512

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Western Branch.—Practice meeting will be held at Leigh on Sat., Sept. 5. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea at the Vicarage (if wet, tea will be in the Village Hall). Powick (6) available from 7 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. C. E. Brooks, Brooklands, Coles Green, Leigh Sinton, Worcester.—J. J. Stanier, Branch Sec. 9522

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade, Bedfordshire, meeting Sept. 12. Ringing: Roston (5), 3–4.30. Tea and meeting, Sandy (6), followed by ringing. Please note change of venue.—A. H. Smith. 9562

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting, Sat., Sept. 12, Hutton Cranswick. Bells 3.30–5 p.m. Tea 5. Ringing after tea until 8 p.m. Names for tea to Rev. W. M. Clarke, The New Vicarage, Hutton Cranswick, Driffield. Tel.: Watton 402. 9535

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.—Central District.—Blaydon, Sat., Sept. 12: annual meeting and election of officers. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. N. Johnson, Burnt House, Blaydon-on-Tyne, Co. Durham. 9564

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION (Cambridge District) and HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION (Northern District).—Joint meeting, Sept. 12, Guilden Morden, 3–4.30. Service, tea, short business meeting for Cambridge District members; evening ringing, Litlington. Tadlow (3) also available 3–3.45.—J. S. 9432

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South Eastern District.—Meeting at Goldhanger, Sat., Sept. 12. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. All welcome.—R. J. H., Dis. Sec. 9483

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—Meeting, Sat., Sept. 12, Widford (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at Widford 5.15, followed by business meeting. Evening ringing. Hunsdon (8), 6.30–9 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. E. B. Lucas, 14 Rise Cottages, Widford, by Wed., Sept. 9.—S. E. James, Hon. Dis. Sec. 9557

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Meeting, Northchurch (8), Sat., Sept. 12. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. No name, no tea. Names for tea to R. Ashby, 110 High Street, Northchurch. 9554

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maldstone District.—By-meeting, Egerton, Sat., Sept. 12. Bells 2.30. Names for tea to Mr. A. Waddington, Malthouse Farm, Egerton, near Ashford. 9537

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—Monthly meeting, Sept. 12, Accrington. Tower open 2.30 p.m. Cups of tea 5. Business meeting 5 p.m., followed by further ringing.—M. F. Hill, Branch Sec. 9526

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Furness and Lake District Branch.—Meeting, Hawkshead, on Sat., Sept. 12. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Whalley, Bettyfold, Hawkshead, near Ambleside. No name, no tea.—T. F. Metcalfe. 9395

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—Meeting, Chipping (6), Sat., Sept. 12. Bells available 3 p.m. Cups of tea provided. Please bring own food. Everyone welcome, especially learners.—D. G. Lawson, Branch Sec. 9496

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Syston District.—The September monthly meeting will be held at Thurstaston. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Church Hall 5 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. I. Roberts, 7 All Saints Road, Thurstaston, Leics. 9498



**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Central Branch.—Meeting, Ruskington, Sat., Sept. 12. Bells (6) from 2.30. Service at 4.15, followed by tea and meeting. Ewerby bells (10) available from 7.30 in evening. Names for tea to G. R. Parker, 56 Sudbrooke Lane, Nettleham, Lincoln, by Wednesday previous.—G. R. P. 9530

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Llandaff Branch.—Quarterly ringing meeting, Porthkerry, Sat., Sept. 12. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m., followed by tea, very short business meeting and further ringing. All ringers and friends welcome.—Iolo Davies, Branch Hon. Sec., The Grammar School, Cowbridge. 9374

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Sat., Sept. 12, St. Andrew's, Church Lane, Kingsbury, 2.30-4.15 (Wembley Park then bus 297 or 83; alternatively bus 245 or 52—allight at Blackbird Cross). Service 4.15. Tea 5 in Church Hall—business meeting after. St. Mary's, Neasden Lane, Willesden, 6.45-8.30. Surprise practice: St. Olave's, Hart Street, E.C., Mon., Sept. 14, 6-8 p.m.—J. H. Lott, Asst. Hon. Sec. 9560

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Davenry Branch.—Meeting, Weedon (8), Sat., Sept. 12. Names for tea to Miss S. Addicott, 40 West Street, Lower Weedon, Northampton, NN7 4QU.—I. Webb. 9563

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Guilborough Branch.—Meeting, Stratton, Sat., Sept. 12. Names for tea to P. A. Turner, 26 Greenhill Road, Long Buckby, near Rugby, by Tuesday previous. 9559

**PETERBOROUGH GUILD.**—Rutland Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Greatham, Sept. 12. Bells (6) 3 p.m. and 6.30-8.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names to Scholes, Harringworth, Corby, by Tuesday, Sept. 8. 9519

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Dorset Branch.—Meeting, Yetminster, Sept. 12. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Bradford Abbas bells also available. Names for tea to Mrs. Godley, Yetminster, Sherborne, by Sept. 8. 9534

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bingham and Newark Districts.—Joint meeting, East Bridgford, Sept. 12. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Kneeton (3) 3-4. Names for tea to R. Blackshaw, 36 Stratford Road, West Bridgford, by Wednesday previous. 9549

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—N. Notts District.—Meeting, Sept. 12, Blyth. Usual arrangements. Names for tea to secretary in good time. 9556

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—South East District.—Quarterly meeting, Holbrook (6), Sept. 12, 2.30-4.30, followed by service, tea and meeting. All names for tea to Mrs. Bertha Hardman, Swallows, Ipswich Road, Tattingstone, Ipswich, not later than Wed., Sept. 9. No names, no tea. Hoping for Stutton bells in the evening.—W. L., Dis. Sec. 9520

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—Practice meeting, Walberton (6), on Sat., Sept. 12. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea in Village Hall 5 p.m. Evening ringing until 8.30. Please notify for tea P. M. Wills, 75 Annandale Avenue, Bognor Regis, Sussex. 9568

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Cleveland and North Yorkshire Branch.—Meeting, Scalby (6), Sept. 12. Bells from 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Picnic teas, please; drinks provided. Business meeting after.—Edward Hudson, Hon. Sec. 9540

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Western Branch.—Meeting, Sat., Sept. 12, Almondbury. Bells (8) 3-5 p.m. and after meeting. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. A. B. Sullivan, 11 Rowley Drive, Lepton, Huddersfield, by Tues., Sept. 8.—A. B. Sullivan, Branch Sec. 9505

**SUFFOLK LADIES' GUILD.**—Meeting at St. Matthew's Church, Ipswich, on Thursday, Sept. 17, 7-9 p.m. Special practice for London method ringers. All other ringers very welcome. 9565

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Stroud Branch.—Meeting, Painswick (12), on Sat., Sept. 19, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea, without fail, to P. Birt, Lynholme, Rack Hill, Chalford, by Wed., Sept. 16. 9492

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—First annual county striking competition, St. George's Church, Gravesend, Sat., Sept. 19. Draw for order of ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea tickets 4s. each, obtainable from Miss L. Seton, 1 Ashwood Place, High Street, Bean, Dartford. Remittance and s.a.e. with order, please.—A. P. S. B. 9499

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North Berks Branch.—Autumn meeting, Marcham, Sat., Sept. 19. Bells 2.45 p.m. Service 3.30. Tea in school 4.30 p.m. Notification for tea, please, to Corderoy, West-Wyndes, Westbrook Street, Blewbury, Didcot, not later than Tuesday, Sept. 15. 9551

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Newark District.—Crawford cup contest final to be held at North Collingham (6), Sat., Sept. 19, at 2.30 p.m. South Collingham (5) and South Scarle (5) bells also available, 2.30-8.30 p.m. Names for tea essential to P. Raithby, Dis. Sec., 205 London Road, Balderton, Newark, by Wednesday previous. Visitors welcome. 9550

**STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.**—Striking competition, Sat., Sept. 19, Shreshill. Draw 2.15 p.m. Test piece: 240 changes of any method of Doubles or Minor. Half-an-hour's general ringing afterwards. Own arrangements for tea, prior to evening handbell tune playing course at Shreshill Parish Hall, 6.30 p.m., when Mr. George Askew, of Brewood, will demonstrate his system of tune playing requiring no knowledge of music. Anyone (including non-ringers) from anywhere welcome to attend or take part. Ideal for small teams wishing to try carols, etc.—C. M. S., Hon. Sec. 9469

**TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Truro Branch.—Autumn festival, Ladock (8), Sept. 19. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting. Towers open: Probus (8), St. Erme (6). Names for tea to Miss B. J. Duck, 1 Benson Road, Hendra, Truro, by Sept. 14. 9336

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Branch.—Annual meeting, Clent, Sat., Sept. 19. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business. Election of branch officers at this meeting. Names for tea to Mr. B. C. Ashford, 17 Old Ham Lane, Pedmore, Stourbridge, by Sept. 16. Any names received after this date will not secure tea. 1 MEAN THIS!—M. D. Fellows, Branch Sec. 9545

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—There will be a GENERAL MEETING at SHEFFIELD on Saturday, Sept. 19th. General Committee meeting at 3.15 p.m. in Ranmoor Parish Hall. Service 4.15 p.m. at Ranmoor. Tea in the Parish Hall at 4.45 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. A. C. Banton, 194 Gleadless Common, Sheffield, by Tuesday, Sept. 15th. Tickets will be sent to those who enclose a s.a.e., and given to others at Ranmoor Church at 3.45 p.m. on the Saturday. Proposals about the finance of the Association will be made at the meeting after tea. Bells: Penistone (8), 11.30-12.45; Conisborough (8), 12-1; Silkstone (6), 12.30-1.45; Bolsterstone (8), 1-2; Eastwood (8), 1.15-2.30; Wortley (8), 2-3; Walkley (6), 2.30-3.30; Ranmoor (10), 3.15-4.10; Sheffield Cathedral (13), 7-9; Wortley and Ranmoor in the evening by arrangement.—W. F. Moreton, Hon. Gen. Sec. 9426

**SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Oswy Street contest at Sturton-le-Steeple (11 cwt.) on Oct. 17. Entries from extra-diocesan towers invited. Write to H. Poyner, The Old Vicarage, Sturton-le-Steeple, Retford, Notts, for details. 9555

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Ringing festival and supper party, Sat., Oct. 24. Party to be held at St. Mary's, Prittlewell; tower and other details later. 9542

**SUFFOLK GUILD**  
Presentation and dedication of  
Master's Badge of Office  
GREAT THURLOW

Saturday, September 19  
Ringing 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m.  
Names for tea to Ven. K. O. Child, Gt. Thurlow Vicarage, Haverhill, by September 16. 9478

**ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, CHIDDINGSTONE, KENT.**

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Parties contact: P. R. Everest, 2 The Village,  
Chiddingstone. 9438

#### YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Southern Branch) BRANCH STRIKING COMPETITION

The branch striking competition will be held at  
**SPROTBOROUGH**  
on Saturday, September 12.

The draw will take place at 14.30 on that day at Sprotborough. Will all conductors of teams intending to enter please send **NAMES OF TEAMS** to A. C. Banton, 194 Gleadless Common, Sheffield, S12 2US, by Sat., Sept. 5. This is essential in order to complete all arrangements. **NAMES FOR TEA (OTHER THAN THOSE RINGING IN TEAMS)** should be sent to Mr. E. Short, Kathryn, 310 Melton Road, Sprotborough, Doncaster, by Wed., Sept. 9, at the latest.—A. C. Banton, Branch Sec. 9490

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up to September 12

Alan P. S. Berry, Hon. Gen. Sec., 7 Church  
Road, Cheriton, Folkestone, Kent. 9161

#### OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

#### THE 90th ANNUAL FESTIVAL

will be held at OXFORD

on Saturday, October 3, 1970.

11.30 a.m. Service in Cathedral.  
12.30 p.m. Social half-hour in Dining Hall.  
1.15 p.m. Luncheon in Dining Hall.

(Tickets 10s. 6d. each.)

Applications for tickets, accompanied by remittance and s.a.e., must reach Miss D. J. Pollard, 49 Foxborough Road, Radley, Abingdon, Berks, before Monday, September 28.

Ringing arrangements:

The list of towers will be circulated with the luncheon tickets or on receipt of s.a.e. to Miss Pollard.

W. Butler, Hon. Gen. Sec. 9538

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6.30-8 p.m.

Sunday: 10.15-11 a.m.

5.45-6.30 p.m.

Light teas and morning coffee available in the  
Church Room.  
All welcome.

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**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD  
ANNUAL DINNER**Stamford Hall, Stoughton Drive South,  
Leicester.

September 26, 6 for 6.30.

Tickets (35s.) from district secretaries  
up to September 12.

Ringing arrangements:

Newtown Linford, 2-2.45

Anstey, 2.30-3.15

Thurcaston, 3-3.45

Birstall, 3.30-4.30

Ron D. Hughes, Hon. Gen. Sec.

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Saturday, September 5, 1970

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,  
Somerton, Somerset**DEDICATION SERVICE**

OF THE TWO TREBLES (augmentation to 8).

Ringing on the back six at 3 p.m. Service 3.30,  
followed by tea on the Vicarage lawn (if wet,  
in the Parish Room). Names for tea would beappreciated by H. E. G. Jeanes (tower captain),  
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**COLESHILL, BIRMINGHAM  
FLOWER FESTIVAL — SEPTEMBER 12****Northern Routes:**

Rushall (6), 9 a.m.—10 a.m.

Aldridge (6), 10.15 a.m.—11 a.m.

Little Aston (6), 10.45 a.m.—11.30 a.m.

Shenstone (6), 12.15 p.m.—1 p.m.

Perry Barr (8), 1 p.m.—2 p.m.

Aston (12), 2.30 p.m.—3.30 p.m.

\*Castle Bromwich (6), 4 p.m.—5 p.m.

Erdington (St. Barnabas)

\* Subject to confirmation.

**Southern Routes:**

Packwood (8), 9 a.m.—9.45 a.m.

Shirley (8), 10.15 a.m.—11 a.m.

Knowle (8), 11.30 a.m.—12.15 p.m.

Hampton-in-Arden (6), 1.45 p.m.—2.30 p.m.

Bickenhill (6), 2.30 p.m.—3.15 p.m.

Solihull (12), 4 p.m.—5 p.m.

Leek Wootton (5), 9.15 a.m.—10 a.m.

There are weddings at some churches immediately prior to ringing. Please do not intrude!

Tea available at Coleshill. Numbers, please, to:—

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**LATE NOTICES****UNIVERSITY OF LONDON  
SOCIETY**The first practice of the autumn  
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Freshers at all London colleges especially  
welcome.

Forthcoming dates:

Outing, October 24.

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Please contact the secretary, William M. Taylor,  
125 Church Street, Wolverton, Bucks.

It is hoped that practices will begin on

Tuesday, October 6.

9575

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIA-**

TION.—Dunster Branch.—Quarterly meeting at

St. Decuman's, Watchet, Sat., Sept. 12, 3 p.m.

Service and business follow. Names for tea to

E. R. Tyndale Biscoe, Burnells Gardens, Dunster

346. 9574

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**

—Swindon Branch.—Meeting at Rodbourne

Cheney (6), Sept. 12. Bells 3.30 p.m. and after

meeting. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for

tea to P. Tombs, 31 Little Avenue, Swindon, by

Thursday previous. 9571

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury

District.—By-meeting, Petham, Sat., Sept. 12.

Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea and meet-

ing 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. H. S. W.

Seward, Stoneway Caravan Park, Petham, by

previous Wednesday. 9572

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Prac-

tice meeting, St. Giles-in-the-Fields (one minute

Tottenham Court Road tube station), on Mon.,

Sept. 7, at 7 p.m. 9573

**25 YEARS AGO**

Taken from The Ringing World for

August 31, 1945

The charge for supplying the R.W. by  
post was 4s. 3d. a quarter, 8s. 6d. a half  
year and 17s. a year.

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Two peals were rung by the Universities  
Association; one at St. Peter Mancroft,  
Norwich (Grandsire Cinques), was rung in  
3 hours 28 minutes, the other at Beccles,  
Suffolk (Stedman Caters), in 3 hours 13  
minutes, both times being considered too  
fast for good striking, according to later  
correspondence. (Peals at Mancroft now  
seldom take longer than 3 hours 20-25  
minutes.)

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At Wisborough Green, Sussex, Walter  
Sparrow, Francis D. Bishop, Richard E.  
Price, G. Wm. Morris and Tony Price rang  
their first in seven Surprise Minor, Tony  
conducting. Ernest C. S. Turner was the  
other ringer.

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There were 35 victory peals recorded, 15  
being Grandsire, and among 16 others four  
were Grandsire.

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Alfred H. Pulling, who conducted a peal  
of Stedman Triples at Guildford, rang his  
200th on the bells of the Cathedral Church  
of Holy Trinity.

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"I consider that having learnt the art of  
rope-sight, which is 75 per cent of the  
battle, to be able to strike well is by far  
the most important thing."—Letter from  
Major David Satow, B.A.O.R.**50 YEARS AGO**

September 3, 1920

At Harborne, Staffs, George Pigott con-  
ducted Grandsire Triples, in which Edward  
Rose rang his first peal and Wm. B. Cart-  
wright his first in the method.

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The band congratulated Miss Emma  
Tonge on being the first lady to ring a peal  
at Worsley, Worcs.

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The first peal ever by an entirely local  
band was rung at Harrold, Beds, the ringers  
being Charles Cockings, Henry W. Gayton,  
Alfred Robinson, William Stock, Herbert  
Robinson and George Thew.

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The Leicester controversy between Fred  
Dexter and Ernest Morris flared up again  
with three letters printed in the R.W. and  
the Editor closing the correspondence—no  
doubt to stop other ringers being involved.

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Read "Forty and Two Months," by Rev.  
F. L. Edwards (secretary of Salisbury  
Guild)—the much-discussed prophecy ex-  
plained, its recent fulfilment demonstrated—  
8d. post free.—Adv't. [Does any reader re-  
member what this was about?—Ed.]

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Congratulations were extended to Chorley  
ringers on scoring their first local peal,  
when they attended a meeting of the Lan-  
cashier Association at Leyland.

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Owing to increased postal rates, the  
charge for the R.W. sent by post will in  
future be 3/- per quarter or 12/- per year.—  
Notice in advertisement columns.



**COMPOSITIONS**

(Continued from page 628.)

**BRISTOL SURPRISE MAXIMUS**

(A) 10ths place calls.

5086 by R. W. Pipe (19/3/70)

(42536) I V O

52436		2	(- S)
34256	—		
43256	2	(S -)	3
23456	2	(S -)	2

5086 by P. Border

(42536) I V O

62435	—		
32465	S	4	(- S - S)
52436	S	S	
23456	—	4	(- S - S)

(B) 4ths place calls.

5280 by R. W. Pipe (9/4/70)

23456 M W H

43256	—	3	(S - -)
56234	—	S	
24365	S	3	(S - -)

Repeat. Contains all 24 56 and 65 roll-ups.

5042 by P. Border (23/4/70)

23456 M W H

24356		5	(- - S - -)
53462	S	S	
24365	—	4	(S - - S)
62345	—		
(42536)	—	S	

Contains 20 56's and 20 65's.

5134 by P. Border

(42536) M W H

52436		2	(- S)
32465	S	S	6 (- - S - - S)
64253	S	S	
23456	—	5	(- - S - -)

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**5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS**

By ROBERT B. SMITH

23456 M W H

23564	2	2	1
23645	2	2	1
32546	2		2
32465	2	2	1
32654	2	2	1
35426	2	1	1
23456		1	

First rung on handbells at Willows, 22 Groby Road, Glenfield, Leicester, on Tuesday, July 21, 1970.

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