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CHESTER IN THE FOREFRONT

THE report of the Chester Diocesan Guild for 1947, presented at the annual festival at Frodsham on May 22nd, shows progress in many directions. The membership stands at 35 honorary and 700 ringing members. Youth is to the fore in the Guild's activities as exemplified by Alan Potts (15 years old) ringing a peal of London Surprise Major and calling his 51st peal, a peal of Bob Royal. It is encouraging to note that there were 12 new conductors, some of them ringers of many years standing.

The Guild rang the first peals of Double Mancroft Bob Major, Oswald Delight Major and Liverpool Surprise, and also records its first peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus, which was rung by a resident band. But peals are not the only evidence of vitality, for the branches report a resurgence of the spirit and interest which has characterised the Chester Guild in the past and which will keep it in the forefront of the Exercise always.

Evidence of this can be traced in the adoption of revised rules and the incorporation in them of a resolution which it is expected will encourage the clergy of the diocese to take an active interest in the affairs of the Guild. It has been felt for some time that the clergy have more urgent calls upon them in these days than to finance the ringers' pleasure, but, nevertheless, that they should have some official standing in the Guild. To overcome these difficulties, a resolution was moved and adopted appointing all incumbents of parishes where there are rings of bells honorary vice-presidents of the local branch without payment, and provision was made for the election of suitable laymen under similar conditions.

In common with other guilds, the Chester Guild is feeling the financial strain of these days, and with a view to making adequate provision for bell restoration and augmentations, the meeting decided to inaugurate a Bell Restoration and Augmentation Fund, from which all future grants towards the cost of restoration and augmentation will be made. Ways and means of raising money for this fund were discussed and the imposition of a peal booking fee of 6d. per rope approved for a time with the proviso that members ringing their first peal be exempted from payment. Grants from the general fund towards the restorations at St. Hilary's, Wallasey and West Kirby were approved.

The Master (Mr. J. W. Clarke), hon. secretary and treasurer (the Rev. J. D. Pearson) and other officers of the Guild were re-elected and thanked for their services during the past year. A report on the proceedings of the Central Council meeting was given by Mr. C. K. Lewis, and it was decided to send an invitation to that body to hold a meeting in Chester at their convenience.

The broadcast of the ringing at last year's festival was reported, and in addition there should have been a broadcast on the overseas service to America of Chester Cathedral bells on December 31st, but, unfortunately, the tenor clapper was broken on December 30th and the broadcast had to be abandoned. The next annual festival will be held at Crewe on Whit Saturday, 1949.

The excellent address given by Dr. Myres, the Vicar, at the service called for a special vote of thanks at the meeting. He could be sure that in spite of his remark that it was easier to ring the changes in the tower than to ring the changes on sermons, he had succeeded in securing a new approach to the question of the privileges and responsibilities of ringers. Those present would try to remember his advice, and to help them would be the memory of the warm welcome received at the ancient church of Frodsham. There were also thanks to the local ringers, organist and the incumbents and ringers of Runcorn and Daresbury for their efforts to make the meeting a success.

C. K. L.

TWELVE BELL PEAL

CROYDON, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., May 16, 1948, in 3 Hours and 42 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5018 CHANGES;

Tenor 36 cwt. 3 qr. 13 lb. in C sharp.

WILLIAM H. BARBER ... <i>Treble</i>	*DAVID E. PARSONS ... 7
DANIEL D. COOPER ... 2	LESLIE W. G. MORRIS ... 8
MRS. J. THOMAS ... 3	FREDK. A. H. WILKINS ... 9
JOHN THOMAS ... 4	GEORGE E. FEARN ... 10
WALTER F. JUDGE ... 5	FREDK. E. COLLINS ... 11
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY ... 6	GEORGE H. HUMPHRIES <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by CHARLES W. ROBERTS. Conducted by F. E. COLLINS.

* First twelve-bell peal.

TEN BELL PEALS

APPLETON, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr.

*WILLIAM R. WHITE ... <i>Treble</i>	FRANCIS A. WHITE ... 6
EDWIN DREWITT ... 2	GEORGE HOLIFIELD ... 7
CUTHBERT WHITE ... 3	FREDK. C. WHITE ... 8
*GEORGE BISHOP ... 4	RICHARD WHITE ... 9
FREDERICK MESSENGER ... 5	FRED WHITE ... <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by FREDERICK C. WHITE.

* First peal on ten bells. First peal as conductor.

SWINDON, WILTSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

CHARLES J. GARDNER ... <i>Treble</i>	*IVOR H. TRUEMAN ... 6
*MARGARET E. RICHARDS ... 2	†A. GEORGE WELLS ... 7
†WM. W. T. DANIELL ... 3	*WM. A. T. CARTER ... 8
†WALTER H. TRUEMAN ... 4	†THOMAS TOWNSEND ... 9
†E. JOHN BERRY ... 5	W. BERTRAM KYNASTON <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by H. J. TUCKER. Conducted by W. BERTRAM KYNASTON.

* First peal on ten bells. † First of Bob Royal. First of Bob Royal as conductor. Rung as a compliment to the conductor on being elected Master of the Association. Tenor 22 cwt. 9 lb.

STONHAM ASPALL, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Mon., May 17, 1948, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAMBERT,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

HARRY D. LISTER ... <i>Treble</i>	WILLIAM J. BUTON ... 6
SHELFORD SPARROW ... 2	*WALTER A. SOUTHGATE ... 7
*LESLIE M. FORSTER ... 3	*RONALD A. BUGG ... 8
ROBERT J. STEED ... 4	EDWARD E. DAVEY ... 9
KEITH W. WHITTALL ... 5	URBAN W. WILDNEY ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by N. J. PISTOW. Conducted by HARRY D. LISTER.

* First peal on ten bells. Tenor 24 cwt.

WORSLEY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 22, 1948, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

*ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... <i>Treble</i>	*WILLIAM DEAKIN ... 6
THOMAS HAMMOND ... 2	*ARTHUR MAWDESLEY ... 7
*RONALD KENRICK ... 3	JOSEPH RIDYARD ... 8
*THOMAS HESKETH ... 4	*EDWIN BIRKETT ... 9
*THOMAS HORRIDGE ... 5	LAURENCE J. WILLIAMS ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by F. DENCH. Conducted by JOSEPH RIDYARD.

* First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor.

EIGHT BELL PEALS

SOUTHPORT, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., May 10, 1948, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

RONALD KENRICK ... <i>Treble</i>	ARTHUR MAWDESLEY ... 5
JOHN BOOTH ... 2	*WILLIAM PILKINGTON ... 6
MISS M. E. RIDYARD ... 3	*JAMES W. GROUNDS ... 7
*MISS VERA DRAFER ... 4	JOSEPH RIDYARD ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by JOSEPH RIDYARD.

* First peal in the method. In honour of the wedding of Mr. R. Arnold and Miss Betty Sumner, ringers at Emmanuel, Southport. Also birthday compliment to Mrs. W. Pilkington. Tenor 10 cwt.

BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Wed., May 12, 1948, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

AT BISHOP RYDER'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 24 lb. in F sharp.

JOHN SCOTT <i>Treble</i>	ARTHUR D. COOK ... 5
HENRY H. FEARN ... 2	LEONARD TUFFREY ... 6
SIDNEY O'C. HOLLOWAY ... 3	*WILLIAM C. DOWDING ... 7
JOHN PINFOLD ... 4	GEORGE E. FEARN ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by GEORGE E. FEARN.

* First peal of Yorkshire Major. A golden wedding compliment to the parents of Leonard Tuffrey.

KINGSTEIGNTON, DEVON.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Washbrook's Variation of Thurstans'. Tenor 16½ cwt.

AUBREY L. BENNETT ... <i>Treble</i>	THOMAS G. MYERS ... 5
A. WILLIAM MYERS ... 2	FREDK. WREFORD ... 6
WILLIAM H. HOWE ... 3	EDWARD W. BIFFIN ... 7
*ROBERT A. SOUTHWOOD ... 4	*CHARLES YATES ... <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by EDWARD W. BIFFIN.

* First peal. First peal in the method on the bells.

ENDERBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 15 lb.

*JOHN MORRIS <i>Treble</i>	ARTHUR PATRICK ... 5
ALAN CATTELL ... 2	W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON ... 6
FRANK TROTMAN ... 3	ERNEST MORRIS ... 7
WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... 4	JOHN THOMPSON ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by WALTER P. WHITEHEAD.

* First peal of Major.

DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 21½ cwt.

WILLIAM WIGHTMAN ... <i>Treble</i>	FRANK L. FISHER ... 5
ALBERT E. WHITING ... 2	SYLVIA R. E. PIPE ... 6
GEORGE A. FLEMING ... 3	LESLIE G. WIGHTMAN ... 7
WILLIAM J. G. BROWN ... 4	LESLIE G. BRETT ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by C. J. SEDGLEY (No. 3). Conducted by L. G. BRETT.

NORBURY (HAZEL GROVE), CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF PUDSEY SURPRISE MAJOR, 5038 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb.

*ARTHUR HIBBERT ... <i>Treble</i>	†JAMES A. MILNER ... 5
†ALAN A. POTTS ... 2	PETER LARLIN ... 6
†WILFRED STEVENSON ... 3	†JOSEPH W. WHITTAKER ... 7
JAMES FERNLEY ... 4	†JOHN WORTH ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by A. CRAVEN. Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

* First peal of Surprise. † First peal in the method.

WHITTLE-LE WOODS, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt.

THOMAS BARKER ... <i>Treble</i>	JOHN CHARNOCK ... 5
MISS RUTH BRADLEY ... 2	JOHN JACKSON ... 6
G. ALEC DIMMOCK ... 3	CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE ... 7
JAMES BLACKBURN ... 4	ARTHUR HATCH ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by C. K. LEWIS. Conducted by CYRIL CROSSTHWAITE.

A welcome to the Rev. A. Read.

LUTTERWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Washbrook's Variation. Tenor 14½ cwt.

CECIL E. CARR <i>Treble</i>	A. JOHN TIMSON ... 5
E. CHARLES TURNER ... 2	WILLIAM A. WOOD ... 6
GEORGE A. NEWTON ... 3	FRANK K. MEASURES ... 7
RICHARD J. JACKSON ... 4	*HORACE GOOSEY ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by FRANK K. MEASURES.

* First peal. Rung for Mr. E. W. Tipler's daughter's wedding.

TITCHMARSH, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.
THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
 Tenor 17½ cwt. in E.

*ARTHUR G. FRENCH ... <i>Treble</i>	WILLIAM J. WHITMORE ... 5
HERBERT GOAKES ... 2	ERNEST E. WHITMORE... 6
GEORGE W. JEFFS ... 3	*ALBERT J. WILSON ... 7
HARRY RICHARDSON ... 4	ERNEST WARNER ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by VICARS. Conducted by ERNEST E. WHITMORE.
 * First peal.

CUBITT TOWN, POPLAR, LONDON.
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
 AT CHRIST CHURCH.

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
 Tenor 12½ cwt.

MRS. C. J. MATTHEWS ... <i>Treble</i>	MISS MARGARET FIDELL ... 5
MISS PATRICIA HOLMES ... 2	*THOMAS H. FRANCIS ... 6
MRS. R. F. DEAL ... 3	JACK L. MILLHOUSE ... 7
CHARLES MCGUINNESS ... 4	GEORGE H. CROSS ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.
 * First peal in the method

LONDON.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES-IN-THE-FIELD,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
 Tenor 16 cwt.

*FREDK. E. DUKES ... <i>Treble</i>	LEONARD H. BOWLER ... 5
JOHN E. BIBBY ... 2	C. HENRY HARDING ... 6
JAMES BENNETT ... 3	C. KENNETH LEWIS ... 7
ANDREW C. SINFIELD ... 4	+WALTER ALLMAN ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by N. J. PIRSTOW. Conducted by C. KENNETH LEWIS.
 * First peal of Surprise. † 100th peal. 100th peal as conductor.
 The ringer of the third has now 'circled' the tower.

BURFORD, OXFORDSHIRE.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
 Tenor 19½ cwt. in F flat.

A Variation of Thurstans' Four-part.

FRANK SODEN ... <i>Treble</i>	FREDK. A. H. WILKINS ... 5
BERNARD S. NICHOLS... 2	THOMAS W. TIMMS ... 6
WALTER F. JUDGE ... 3	WILLIAM J. DIXON ... 7
*FREDK. W. SODEN ... 4	*JOHN J. WESTMACOTT... <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by FRANK SODEN,
 * First peal in the method. First peal as conductor.

ROYSTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
 Tenor 12 cwt.

JOHN B. ROWSELL ... <i>Treble</i>	ROGER LEIGH ... 5
EDWIN J. LINDLEY ... 2	T. REGINALD DENNIS ... 6
JILL BRITAIN ... 3	*BRIAN D. THRELFALL ... 7
*MICHAEL R. D. HARFORD ... 4	GEOFFREY DODDS ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed and Conducted by EDWIN J. LINDLEY.
 * First peal in the method. A 21st birthday compliment to the conductor.

WITNEY, OXFORDSHIRE.
THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY
On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 3 Hours and 13 Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
 Tenor 18 cwt.

D. GALLOP ... <i>Treble</i>	C. JOHN DICKENSON ... 5
*MISS K. TRIST ... 2	PETER C. WRIGHT ... 6
MISS M. L. TUTT ... 3	H. PETER RAYNOR ... 7
MISS JULIA PRESTON ... 4	PETER W. B. SEMMENS... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by P. W. B. SEMMENS.
 * First peal.

WEST HALLAM, DERBYSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
 Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 6 lb.

Dexter's Variation.

EDWARD F. GOBEY ... <i>Treble</i>	EDWARD C. GOBEY ... 5
FREDK. A. SALTER ... 2	J. FREDK. MILNER ... 6
*ARTHUR R. FOWKES ... 3	ARTHUR J. CHAMBERLAIN ... 7
GEORGE E. FOSTER ... 4	WALTER NICHOLLS ... <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by J. FREDERICK MILNER.
 * First of Stedman, aged 15.

HALESOWEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
 Tenor 17½ cwt.

Middleton's.	ARTHUR V. PEARSON ... <i>Treble</i>	*CYRIL TABERNER ... 5
	CLIFFORD SKIDMORE ... 2	ALAN F. THIRST ... 6
	JOHN LLOYD ... 3	THOMAS GREENALL ... 7
	HOWARD HOWELL ... 4	THOMAS HEMMING ... <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by ARTHUR V. PEARSON.
 * First peal of Cambridge Surprise. First of Surprise as conductor.

BUCKINGHAM.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 3 Hours and 9 Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
 Tenor 27 cwt.

*FRANK TOWNSEND ... <i>Treble</i>	FREDK. VICKERS ... 5
THOMAS E. ROBERTS ... 2	WILLIAM YATES ... 6
GEORGE W. HOLLAND ... 3	FREDERICK C. CASE ... 7
ERNEST C. LAMBERT ... 4	GEORGE W. DEBENHAM ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by GEO. W. DEBENHAM.
 * First peal on eight bells.

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
 Tenor 10 cwt.

ALICK CUTLER ... <i>Treble</i>	*ERNEST H. MASTIN ... 5
ARTHUR TOMLINSON ... 2	GEOFFREY J. LEWIS ... 6
GEORGE M. KILBY ... 3	JACK BRAY ... 7
LESLIE W. G. MORRIS ... 4	FRANK V. GANT ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by LESLIE W. G. MORRIS.
 * First peal in the method. 100th peal as conductor.

BLETCHINGLEY, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
 Tenor 18 cwt.

WILLIAM SLAUGHTER ... <i>Treble</i>	*ALBERT E. LAKER ... 5
EDGAR R. RAPLEY ... 2	GEORGE OLIVER ... 6
KENNETH SNELLING ... 3	WILLIAM T. BEESON ... 7
JAMES W. KNIGHT ... 4	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by N. J. PIRSTOW. Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.
 * First peal in the method. First peal on the bells since restoration.

SALFORD PRIORS, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 3 Hours,
 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW.

A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
 Tenor 15 cwt.

J. J. Parker's Six-part (C.C.C. No. 13).

HORACE J. BENTLEY ... <i>Treble</i>	RAYMOND C. SAYERS ... 5
ALLEN MORGAN ... 2	RALPH W. SAYERS ... 6
SIDNEY T. HOLT ... 3	REGINALD WOODYATT ... 7
GEORGE E. LARGE ... 4	FREDERICK G. YATES ... <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by GEORGE E. LARGE.
 First peal in the method on the new ring.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Mon., May 17, 1948, in 3 Hours and 28 Minutes,
 AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;
 Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. in D.

PEGGY G. KITCHEN ... <i>Treble</i>	ALFRED H. PULLING ... 5
*ELIZABETH FAULKNALL ... 2	HERBERT G. ANDREWS ... 6
WILLIAM T. ROBINSON... 3	T. MARK WHITE ... 7
WILLIAM T. BEESON ... 4	HAROLD A. MAY ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by A. CRAVEN. Conducted by HAROLD A. MAY.
 * First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor.

CHISLEHURST, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Mon., May 17, 1948, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes,
 AT THE CHURCH OF THE ANNUNCIATION.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
 Tenor 20 cwt. in F flat.

Parker's Twelve-part (7th observation).

*JOHN H. ARLET (13) ... <i>Treble</i>	JACK DAFTERS ... 5
PERCY J. SPICE ... 2	FRANK C. W. KNIGHT... 6
*JOHN L. MORRIS (12) ... 3	A. PATRICK CANNON ... 7
ALFRED G. WILLIAMS ... 4	*RICHARD STREEK (17) ... <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.
 * First peal of Triples. The first peal in the method on the bells.

SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., May 17, 1948, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans'	Tenor 21 cwt.
DORIS G. DOBBIE Treble	*GEOFFREY Y. LEWIS ... 5
BETTY SPICE 2	CLARENCE H. DOBBIE ... 6
GEORGE H. SPICE 3	WALTER H. DOBBIE ... 7
STANLEY B. DOBBIE 4	GEORGE KENWARD ... Tenor

Conducted by WALTER H. DOBBIE.

* First peal of Stedman Triples.

OSWESTRY, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., May 17, 1948, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

CLIFFORD A. BARRON ... Treble	*E. DENNIS POOLE ... 5
MRS. E. D. POOLE ... 2	FREDK. G. BEDDOW ... 6
A. EDWARD REEVES ... 3	EDWARD V. RODENHURST ... 7
THOMAS PRICE 4	ARTHUR PRITCHARD ... Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY. Conducted by ARTHUR PRITCHARD.
* 50th peal. A farewell peal to A. E. Reeves, who is leaving Shrewsbury for Manchester. Tenor 16 cwt.

ASHFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., May 17, 1948, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF ASHTEAD SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

HILDRED S. WICKENS ... Treble	FREDK. G. HUCKSTEPP... 5
WILLIAM A. OLDFIELD ... 2	ALBERT J. LANCEFIELD ... 6
PERCY PAGE 3	MARK S. LANCEFIELD ... 7
WILFRED W. RING 4	THOMAS CULLINGWORTH Tenor

Composed by A. G. DRIVER. Conducted by THOS. CULLINGWORTH.
First peal in the method by all the band and on the bells.

PATRINGTON, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., May 17, 1948, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

SIDNEY BRIGGS Treble	GEORGE DOWLING ... 5
MRS. J. COTTELELL ... 2	JOHN HOBSON 6
HENRY RODMELL 3	LEONARD RODMELL ... 7
CLEMENT GLENN 4	*FRED OSGERBY ... Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.
* First peal of Bob Major. First peal on the augmented ring.

ACTON, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., May 17, 1948, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Middleton's	Tenor 14 cwt. in F.
CHRISTOPHER WALLATER Treble	C. KENNETH LEWIS ... 5
JOHN E. BIBBY 2	JACK BRAY 6
FREDK. A. FINCH 3	NOLAN GOLDEN 7
REV. A. G. G. THURLOW 4	WALTER ALLMAN ... Tenor

Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

F. A. Finch has now 'circled' the tower.

LIVERPOOL, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., May 17, 1948, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF IMMANUEL,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

CHARLES CLEGG Treble	THOMAS HESKETH ... 5
*JACK CLEGG 2	RONALD KENRICK ... 6
THOMAS HAMMOND ... 3	EDWIN BIRKETT ... 7
WILLIAM DEAKIN 4	JOSEPH RIDYARD ... Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH RIDYARD.

* First peal of Surprise.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Mon., May 17, 1948, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;

FRANK HOWE Treble	FRANK BENNETT ... 5
*MISS K. FLETCHER ... 2	ALFRED C. LEVITT ... 6
MISS DOROTHY FLETCHER 3	FREDERICK PAGE ... 7
MAURICE THOMAS 4	HENRY STALHAM ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

* 150th peal. This composition, rung for the first time, contains the full combination of 4.5.6 without the 2nd or 3rd in 6ths place in the minimum number of changes. Tenor 18 cwt.

SHERFIELD ENGLISH, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., May 17, 1948, in 3 Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

*EUSTACE SMITH Treble	Tenor 9½ cwt.	†DAVID R. REED 5
HERBERT H. ABRAHAMS 2	†COLIN W. REED 6	‡JACK MUSSELL 7
†ALAN J. BUTLER 3	FRANK L. HARRIS ... Tenor	
RONALD MARLOW 4		

Conducted by FRANK L. HARRIS.

* First peal. † First of Bob Major. ‡ First of Major 'inside.'

WILLESDEN, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., May 17, 1948, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF ASHTEAD SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

FREDERICK E. DUKES ... Treble	Tenor 10 cwt.	ANDREW C. SINFIELD ... 5
RONALD J. SHARP 2	LEONARD H. BOWLER ... 6	ALICK CUTLER 7
C. EDWARD JEFFRIES ... 3	CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... Tenor	
C. HENRY HARDING ... 4		

Composed and Conducted by CHARLES W. ROBERTS.

First peal in the method by all, except the conductor.

FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Wed., May 19, 1948, in 3 Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

JOHN HALL Treble	Tenor 16 cwt.	CHARLES W. BEECROFT ... 5
WILLIAM WIGHTMAN ... 2	HARRY HALL 6	WALTER W. MILLER ... 7
FRANCIS W. CORNEY ... 3	ARTHUR V. DAVIS ... Tenor	
FRANK L. FISHER 4		

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by ARTHUR V. DAVIS.

BOWDON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., May 20, 1948, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

HERBERT LUDKIN Treble	C. KENNETH LEWIS ... 5
FREDK. E. DUKES 2	ALAN J. BROWN 6
MRS. C. K. LEWIS 3	*DOUGLAS KIRKPATRICK... 7
DAVID VINCENT 4	CECIL RADDON Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by C. KENNETH LEWIS.

* First peal. Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. in F

SIX BELL PEALS

APSLEY END, HERTFORDSHIRE

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., May 14, 1948, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one extent each of Double Bob, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, St. Clement's, Plain Bob, Cambridge and Norwich Surprise.

DEREK G. LATCHFORD ... Treble	WILLIAM J. PUDDIFOOT ... 4
EDWIN J. UPTON 2	HERBERT GATES 5
WILLIAM C. HUGHES ... 3	WALTER AYRE Tenor

Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

In memoriam Capt. Walter Keith Runham, churchwarden, ringer and a great friend to the local company. Tenor 14½ cwt.

CHELSFIELD, KENT.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN-OF-TOURS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thirty-six six-scores (ten different callings) and three Morris' 240's.

*JOHN L. HARRIS (12) ... Treble	DAVID BEVERIDGE (16) 4
†JOHN L. MORRIS (12) ... 2	FRANK C. W. KNIGHT... 5
‡JOHN H. ARLET (13) ... 3	*RICHARD STREEK (17) ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANK C. W. KNIGHT.

* First peal. † First peal on six bells. ‡ First peal 'inside.' First peal of Doubles as conductor. Tenor 10½ cwt.

CRANFORD, MIDDLESEX.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTAN,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two extents of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob and three extents of Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 7 cwt.

FREDERICK CHERRIT Treble	PHILIP BLAKE 4
BERTRAM TUBB 2	*BERNARD WILLIS 5
LEONARD TUBB 3	FREDK. A. BARKER ... Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK A. BARKER.

* First peal in three methods.

GREAT WYMONDLEY, HERTFORDSHIRE.
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Allendale, Westminster, Netherseal, Annable's London, Norwich, Bourne and Cambridge. Tenor 8½ cwt.

GEORGE CHERRY Treble	LEONARD FIDLER 4
EDGAR W. WINTERS 2	WILLIAM J. CROFT 5
ALBERT E. SYMONDS 3	FRANK W. CROFT Tenor

Conducted by FRANK W. CROFT.

First peal in seven Surprise methods by all the band and on the bells. Rung for the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. George Cherry.

TERRINGTON ST. JOHN, NORFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being an extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 20 lb.

EDWARD BARKER Treble	CECIL V. EBBERSON 4
CLAUDE COUSINS 2	WILLIAM BUCKENHAM 5
WALLACE W. COUSINS 3	NORMAN V. HARDING Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM BUCKENHAM.

ST. IVES, HUNTINGDONSHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one 720 of St. Clement's, two each of Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr.

*A. LESLIE MARDLIN ... Treble	FRANK W. LACK 4
FRANK WARRINGTON 2	*STANLEY GILBERT 5
PETER BORDER 3	HERBERT FIELDS Tenor

Conducted by FRANK WARRINGTON.

* First peal in four methods.

(More peals on page 245.)

MAVESYN RIDWARE, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different extents. Tenor 10 cwt.

*ARTHUR W. BOWLER ... Treble	PETER BERESFORD 4
MISS JOAN BERESFORD 2	†JEFFREY B. WEBB 5
DENNIS BERESFORD 3	WALTER J. COPE Tenor

Conducted by DENNIS BERESFORD.

* First peal of Minor. † First peal of Minor 'inside.' First peal of Minor as conductor. Rung as a 14th birthday compliment to Dennis and Peter Beresford.

SPONDON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WERBURGH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being (1) Double Court; (2) Double Oxford; (3) Oxford Bob; (4) Bob Minor; (5) Cambridge Surprise; (6) Oxford Treble Bob; (7) Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

*KEITH HUDSTON Treble	*FRANCIS R. LOWE 4
*ALFRED MOULD 2	DENNIS CARLISLE 5
WILLIAM LANCASTER 3	*JACK BAILEY Tenor

Conducted by JACK BAILEY.

* First peal in seven methods.

SUNNINGWELL, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., May 18, 1948, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three extents each of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure, St. Columb, Clifford Pleasure, Southrepps Pleasure, Plain Bob, Kennington, Old. Norfolk, April Day, Grandsire, Fortune, Reverse St. Bartholomew, Northrepps Pleasure, Antelope. Tenor 8½ cwt.

*H. A. TREADGOLD ... Treble	†PETER C. WRIGHT 4
NORA HONEY 2	ALAN R. PINK 5
†DOUGLAS O. WILKS 3	WILLIAM G. CUDD Tenor

Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

* First peal. † First peal of Doubles. First peal in 14 methods on the bells. The 100th peal which the conductor has called for the Guild.

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SUBSCRIPTION REMINDER.

Quarterly subscribers are reminded that remittances should be sent before June 25th to Mrs. E. K. Fletcher, The White House, Caister-on-Sea, Norfolk.

A ringing society has been formed at Catterick Camp. At the first meeting a few days ago eleven ringers attended and Sgt. Worrell was appointed secretary. Practice and service ringing is held at Richmond and Darlington. Members have already rung their first peal.

Willesden Surprise Major, published on page 212, appears in the Central Council Collection (No. 77) as Wycliffe, writes Mr. A. J. Corrigan.

The peal of Stedman Caters at St. Peter's, Croydon, on May 5th, was a compliment to Canon I. Renshaw, on the first anniversary of his induction as Vicar.

Coincidence: Mr. Walter Allman rang his 100th peal and Mr. C. Kenneth Lewis called his 100th together at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, London, on May 15th. Mr. James Bennett has 'circled' this tower.

The peal at Ashford, Kent, on Whit Monday was in honour of the birth of a son to the conductor and Mrs. Cullingworth and a grandson to Mr. H. S. Wickens, who was ringing the treble. It was the first Surprise peal on the bells by a local band.

Mrs. Dorothy Burgess, a daughter of the late Mr. Arthur Craven, has recently emigrated to Australia with her husband and son. Her new home is at Collie Burn, Collie, Western Australia, about 100 miles up country. Wishes of Godspeed to her were conveyed by a peal recently rung at Bigby, Lincolnshire.

West Kirby, Cheshire, ringers have launched an appeal for £350 for the rehanging and reconditioning of their bells. So far they have raised £250 locally and they invite others who would like to be associated with their efforts for the preservation of the bells in this lovely 15th century tower to send their contributions to Mr. J. Andrew, The White House, Sandy Lane, Kirby, Cheshire.

BELFRY GOSSIP

Abergavenny, Mon, hopes shortly to have the finest ring of ten in the West Country. The bells are being recast and rehung in a steel frame and augmented from eight to ten by Messrs. John Taylor and Co. with a tenor 24 cwt. in D. This will cost £2,300. Another £1,500 is being spent on reconditioning the tower, which is to have a roof of reinforced concrete.

To commemorate his 74th birthday, Mr. W. F. Webb called a quarter of Grandsire at Blagdon, Somerset.

In honour of the gift of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. I. Harris, 1,260 Grandsire Triples were rung at Great Tew, Oxon.

A daughter has also been presented to Mrs. M. A. Genna, wife of one of the Pinner, Middlesex, ringers, and the event was commemorated by 1,260 Grandsire Triples on May 6th, conducted by T. Collins.

Mr. A. E. Lock has a promising young band at Abingdon, Berks, who rang its first 720 for the Royal Silver Wedding. We hope to publish a first quarter shortly.

Veteran Tamworth (Staffs) ringer is Mr. Silas Dunkley, who rang the tenor to a quarter of Grandsire Triples in honour of his 80th birthday.

Pressure on our space has resulted in a number of reports of meetings, letters and quarter-peals being consigned to the W.P.B. Selectivity for publication is not easy. Will those disappointed please accept the Editor's regrets.

A Worcester band en route for the opening of the new eight at Alcester, Warwickshire, called at Salford Priors in the morning and rang a peal of Oxford Bob Triples on the new eight there. It was interesting to compare the two rings, the products of two different bell-founders. Ringing at Alcester after the opening had to be rationed, a feature being the queuing of whole teams, and some good-humoured jockeying for positions!

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LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD

OBJECTIVE OF 1,000 MEMBERS IN SIGHT.

The Leicester Diocesan Guild annual meeting, held at Leicester on May 8th, was attended by members from all districts. A well-attended service was held at St. John's, the lessons being read by the president, Lay Canon H. W. Poole. The Ven. C. L. Matthews, Archdeacon of Leicester, preached.

About 140 were present at the tea and meeting in St. George Hall.

Supporting the president at the meeting were the Archdeacons of Leicester and Loughborough; the Rev. Dutton, of St. John's; Mr. W. Bullock, churchwarden, St. John's; Mr. H. W. Perkins, hon. general secretary; Mr. A. E. Rowley, hon. treasurer; and Mr. W. A. Wood.

The President extended a hearty welcome to both Archdeacons. He spoke of the great interest the clergy of the diocese took in the Guild and announced that the Bishop, who was unable to attend, had sent his best wishes for the continuing success of the Guild. Unfortunately, due to the necessary alteration of the date of the meeting, both St. John's and St. Margaret's ringers were on their outings and so unable to be present. For this reason, Mr. E. Morris, vice-president and peal secretary, was absent.

In his reply, the Ven. W. J. Lyon said he was grateful to the Guild for their help to the Church in ringing the bells for services. He was glad at any time to foster the work of the Guild.

INSIGNIA FOR PRESIDENT.

The recommendation of the General Committee that a fund be formed for the purchase of a suitable insignia of office for the president to wear at meetings was taken a stage further when Mr. E. C. Turner proposed that the fund be opened. Mr. Turner said a suitable insignia would be in keeping with the dignity of the office of president of one of the most important guilds in the country. The proposal was carried without dissent.

The general secretary's report followed. Seventy-six new members and 15 life members had been elected during the year. The total ringing membership was now 823 and he hoped that before long the figures would rise to the 1,000 mark and that there would be members in all churches in the diocese. There were members in 94 towers, an increase of three.

The hon. treasurer's report showed a balance in hand of over £158. A grant of £5 5s. from the Bell Repair Fund had been made to Somerby, while the usual collection had, at Kibworth, been given back towards the local tower repair fund.—The report was adopted on the proposition of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Ballard.

OUTSTANDING PEALS.

The peal secretary's report stated that 81 tower-bell and 42 handbell peals had been rung. Outstanding among these were the handbell peals of Cambridge on 6, 8, 10 and 12 bells. This had never before been accomplished. Pudsey Surprise had been rung on 8, 10 and 12 tower bells. Miss Jill Poole, Mr. G. A. Newton and Mr. J. A. Fenton had reached 100 peals. Mr. A. Ballard had reached his 250th peal and Mr. E. Morris had completed 1,000 peals. One peal had been rung by a German prisoner of war, the first to do so, and 26 members had scored their first peal, while 98 scored their first in a new method. Handbell ringers had on 42 occasions scored their first in new methods.

Burbage on July 3rd was selected for the next quarterly meeting. The general officers were re-elected, with Mr. W. A. Wood as general secretary in the place of Mr. H. W. Perkins, who has left the diocese. The President expressed the best wishes of the Guild for the future of Mr. Perkins. A great deal of very hard work had to be done when the Guild was formed, and Mr. Perkins had done great work at that time and since in the interest of the Guild.

Mr. Perkins said he was very proud of the

Guild; his ambition had been to make it one of the best in the country. Since its formation, over 200 new members had joined and he hoped to see the Guild in an even better position.

The elections of 33 ringing and four life members were continued. A proposal to transfer Whelstone and Enderby from Hinckley District to Leicester resulted in Whelstone being transferred, while Enderby remains in the Hinckley District.

SUBSCRIPTIONS INCREASED.

The General Committee's recommendation that the subscriptions of adult members be increased from 1s. 6d. to 2s. 6d. was carried.

The committee's recommendation that no peal booking fee be charged was also carried. The increased subscriptions will start in 1949.

A report was to be printed to cover the period since the formation of the Guild, and the report would be free to members. Life members and ordinary members desiring more than one copy would be able to obtain them on paying a suitable charge.

A new rule was passed that any member of the Guild failing to comply with the rules or acting in a manner likely to bring discredit on the Guild should be asked to appear before the General Committee, who would be empowered, failing a satisfactory explanation, to ask such member to resign. If the member failed to appear, the decision of the committee would be communicated to him and his name would be erased from the membership roll. This rule was intended to uphold the dignity of the Guild, who desired the full support of the clergy and was to see that nothing was done to bring discredit on the Guild. The rule would also operate to protect members.

The General Committee is to arrange a dinner and a dance, on separate nights, on convenient dates in October.

The meeting was followed by a 'Local Talent Spotting' entertainment, at which members gave comedy, singing and handbell turns. 'Positional' single handbell ringing provided much fun.

A very hearty vote of thanks to the ladies and artists was well earned. And so another 'Leicester Annual' was over for another year.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY

The annual meeting of the Society was held on April 27th in the New Room, Magdalen, the chair being taken by the president.

The Master, in his report, mentioned the good progress of the beginners, the achievement during the Hilary Term of a peal of Bob Major, and quarter-peals of Stedman Triples and Bob Minor. He also referred to the Society's annual tour at Bedford, which has already been reported in 'The Ringing World.' Peals of Bob Royal and Cambridge Major were scored in the tower and Bob Royal 'in hand.' The Cambridge peal was the first for the Society in the method.

The next item on the agenda was the election of officers. The president, vice-presidents and the Master were all re-elected unanimously. The offices of joint secretaries were filled by the election of Miss J. Brierley (St. Anne's) and Peter W. B. Semmens (Exeter). G. R. Kerr (St. Ed. Hall) was elected as the new treasurer, and M. F. Barrow (Exeter) as steeplekeeper for the second year running.

W. F. Moreton's suggestion of the election of a general secretary was then discussed at considerable length. The purpose of the office is to keep past members in touch with the Society, and to keep the Society in existence should no active members remain in the University. It was eventually decided that the office should be held for periods of three years, the election taking place at the annual luncheon. W. F. Moreton was asked to undertake the office until the 1949 luncheon.

Mr. D. Gallop gave some information about the proposed farming-cum-ringing camp the Society was hoping to attend at Honeybourne during the fortnight Aug. 21st-Sept. 4th.

Sussex County Association

BIG ADVANCE IN PEAL RINGING.

The annual meeting was held in Brighton on May 8th, being preceded by service at St. Nicholas' with an address by the Vicar, the Rev. L. N. Phillips, M.C., M.A. Guests at tea were the Vicar of Brighton, Canon Robotham, the Vicar of St. Nicholas' and the organist, who played for the service.

At the business meeting the president and vice-presidents were re-elected, and officers for the year elected as follows: Master, Mr. F. I. Hairs; hon. treasurer, Mr. O. Sippetts; hon. general secretary, Mr. S. E. Armstrong; peal secretary, Mr. J. Dearlove; delegates to the Central Council, Messrs. O. Sippetts, F. I. Hairs, F. H. Dallaway and R. G. Blackman.

Messrs. F. H. Dallaway and H. R. Butcher were re-elected as trustees, but difficulty was found in naming a successor to the chief trustee, Mr. F. B. Tompkins, who had died during the year. Eventually the matter was left to the committee, with the recommendation that Mr. Cuthbert Tompkins should be approached in the first instance. Since the meeting Mr. Tompkins has expressed his willingness to serve, and the committee will be asked to confirm his appointment. On the resignation of Mr. G. Cecil as joint auditor, Mr. A. Bond was elected in his place, together with Mr. R. Overy.

The Master's report and balance sheet were accepted, the treasurer reporting an increased balance of £7 1s. 6d. on the year's working. It was resolved to incorporate in the Master's report a tribute to Mr. K. Hart.

The peal secretary's report showed a great advance in peal ringing, the total being 102 for the year, with some 30 conductors. This is closely approaching the record total set up in 1913, and is the first time since that date that more than 100 peals have been rung in a year.

The following new members were elected: Messrs. L. C. Lawson, F. V. Tonge, F. G. White, J. Perrow and Miss Mary Brown.

The treasurer announced that divisional levies due to the Central Fund would amount to £15 12s. from the Northern Division, £12 7s. Southern, £11 18s. Eastern, £14 12s. Western.

A motion proposed by the treasurer for raising the unaffiliated members' fee from 2s. to 3s. was carried; the proposal to limit the Central Council delegates' expense accounts to £3 each was defeated; the transfer of the Benevolent Fund into the General Account was carried.

Mr. G. T. Jennings' proposal to set up a belfry repair fund was carried enthusiastically after a discussion of its objects and limitations.

Mr. C. Levett asked whether the rules, recently amended, could now be printed, and the hon. treasurer made a generous offer of typing and duplicating the rules so that they might be circulated for the opinions of members before final printing.

Members and friends totalled 135, and after tea a collection for the repairs to Southover, Lewes, bells, amounted to £3 10s.

400 PEALS ON 12 BELLS

Mr. Albert Walker has created a new record by ringing 400 peals on 12 bells. The next highest is believed to be the late Mr. W. Pye, who rang 263 (conducted 184) twelve-bell peals.

Mr. Walker's first twelve-bell peal was rung on January 31st, 1899, and his 400th on May 11th. These were rung in 38 towers with 175 at St. Martin's, Birmingham. He conducted 166 and rang five non-conducted (Stedman Cinques, 1 tower, 3 hand; Cambridge Maximus 1). Details are:—

Tower bells: Cinques, Stedman 238 (conducted 108), Grandsire 3, Erin 1; Maximus, Plain Bob 1, Kent Treble Bob 5 (3) Little Bob 1, Forward 2, New Cambridge Surprise 1 (1), Cambridge Surprise 23 (6), Yorkshire Surprise 1, Belgrave Surprise 1. Total 277 (118).

Handbells: Cinques, Stedman 118 (46), Grandsire 1, Erin 1; Maximus, Kent Treble Bob 3 (2).

OBITUARY

MR. T. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.

AN APPRECIATION.

Mr. Groombridge was an excellent ringer and conductor, who numbered among many admirable performances the conducting of peals of Stedman from Doubles to Cinques and Cambridge Surprise from Minor to Maximus, while he called from a non-observation bell his own first peal of Spliced Surprise in four methods. He also had the honour of taking part in a peal of Stedman Cinques at St. Paul's Cathedral.

Of his 400 odd peals, 101 were at St. Paulinus', Crayford, and it is for his labours at this tower that he perhaps best deserves to be remembered. He succeeded Mr. E. Barnett, sen., as conductor in 1932, and for the next seven years devoted much of his time in helping to build up a competent local band. His efforts were rewarded by 'local' peals of Cambridge on tower bells and Bob Maximus on handbells in March, 1937. Opinions may differ over his methods with complete beginners, but the help and encouragement he afforded those who mastered the early difficulties will not be forgotten by the people concerned.

During the recent war Mr. Groombridge moved first to Willesden and then to Nottingham, where he became the first secretary of the newly-formed Southwell Diocesan Guild. He kept in touch with his friends at Crayford, to whom he related his many activities in the interests of the new Guild, and would send occasional notes of congratulation or criticism of the happenings in North Kent.

He leaves a wife, son and daughter, for whom much sympathy will be felt, as also for his father, Mr. T. Groombridge, sen., who is now in his 81st year. News of 'Young Tom's' death was received a few hours before a peal at Crayford on May 29th, and the band, most of whom were old friends of his, would like it to be regarded as an 'in memoriam' peal.

E.A.B.

MR. HERBERT LUDKIN.

We regret to record the sudden death of Mr. Herbert Ludkin, of Didsbury, Cheshire. He had participated in a peal of Grandsire Caters at Manchester Cathedral on May 22nd, and after bidding good night to Mr. R. Benson and Mr. D. Vincent in Market Street, Manchester, he walked only 200 yards when he collapsed and died.

MR. GEORGE F. SWANN

AN APPRECIATION.

The passing of one of Birmingham's well-known ringers and conductors in George Frederick Swann, who died on May 23rd after a few days' illness, will come as a great shock to his many friends all over the country.

Mr. Swann commenced ringing in 1901 and had a total of 611 peals rung on 6 to 14 bells. An excellent ringer and expert conductor on tower and handbells, he was very safe and reliable in all he did. As librarian to St. Martin's Guild he kept valuable records of all peals rung from 1755 until his death. He was a man with a charming personality and one whom it was always a delight to meet. To his widow, to whom he had been happily married for 38 years, many messages of deep sympathy have been received from all parts of the country.

It will be of interest to note his last peal was a non-conducted tower-bell peal of Stedman Cinques at St. Martin's as recently as May 11th, to which he rang the 4th bell. Among his list of peals were 198 on twelve bells, 120 being on handbells, and included three non-conducted Stedman Cinques 'in hand,' also one non-conducted peal of Cambridge Maximus at St. Martin's. He also rang 7-8 to the peal of Stedman Sextuples and had called peals in many Plain and Surprise methods from Doubles to Maximus.

A.W.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

CANTERBURY TENOR

Sir,—Most of Mr. Bond's letter is concerned with what he 'understands'—common impressions that have little or no basis in fact.

Now the note of Canterbury Cathedral tenor is C without any doubt, for it is half a tone lower than that of Great Dunstan, the hour bell, the note of which is given as C sharp in the standard work on clock chimies (I did not believe this until I tested it for myself); also it is 57 inches across the mouth.

Using these two facts and referring to the table given in Nichols' 'Bells Thro' the Ages,' we find the bell in question is around 34 or 36 cwt.

The suggestion that conductors should check the tenor weight is, we hope, not to be taken too literally. In the case of Canterbury Cathedral there is an old list of the then peal of ten in the ringing room, giving the tenor as '33 cwt. approx.'

Whatever the accurate weight of the bell there is no doubt that she requires quite a lot of handling!—Yours truly,

PETER J. H. SMALL.

Wandsworth Training College, S.W.18.

Dear Sir,—As I am the chap responsible for increasing the weight of Canterbury Cathedral tenor, I gather that some explanation is required. For years the weight of the tenor has been given as 30 cwt. Why, I don't know, because in the belfry window there hangs a framed list giving the weights of the back 10 bells. Of these two are actual, the remainder, including the tenor (34 cwt.), are approx. As All Saints', Maidstone, is given as 31 cwt. (approx.), may we claim to have the heaviest bell in Kent?—Yours faithfully,

B. J. LUCK.

Dear Sir,—The weight of Canterbury Cathedral tenor is given in Mears and Stainbank's list (1922) as 34 cwt. It was cast (or recast) by them in 1778.—Yours faithfully,

E. BARNETT.

Crayford.

ALDERTON TENOR

Sir,—I have no idea where the late Rev. E. S. Powell obtained his information regarding the tenor here, but I am afraid all his figures are wrong. The diameter is 36½ in., not 44 in., and I understand the weight, 7 cwt. odd (not 15 cwt.), was given by John Taylor and Co. when they rehung the bells in 1935. I think most ringers who have rung the bell would agree with this figure.

The bells have not been out of the tower since the rehanging in 1935.—Yours faithfully,

W. J. NORTON.

Alderton.

OBITUARY

MR. EPHRAIM W. RANDS.

The death of Mr. E. W. Rands occurred on March 25th at the Old School House, Cogenhoe, Northampton, after a long and painful illness, which he endured with courage and patience. He was born at Polebrooke, near Oundle, in 1881, his father being clerk at the Parish Church; here he learned to ring.

As a young man he went to Hugglescote and was attached to the Parish Church for many years. After removing to Leicester he joined the band at St. John-the-Divine. His peal ringing was chiefly with members of the Midland Counties Association. He later lived at Oundle and finally went to Cogenhoe in 1943.

The funeral service at St. Peter's Church on March 31st was conducted by the Rev. L. E. Brown, Rector of Castle Ashby. Members of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild acted as bearers. He is survived by the widow and two sons who are ringers, Mr. B. Rands, of Fareham, Hants, and Mr. A. Rands, of Crick. A half-muffled peal of Minor by members of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild came to an end after 14 hours.

J.R.S.

NOMENCLATURE

Dear Sir,—May I comment on two points in your issue of May 14th?

On the front page it is stated, *inter alia*, 'So far, except for the long dead St. Stephen's, we have kept saints' names out of the nomenclature.' On page 199, Mr. Levett observes that 'Extremes' are irregular with Grandsire.

I quite agree with Mr. Levett, but in its purest form the Extreme is not used with Grandsire, but with a method known as St. Dunstan. The difference between the two may briefly be described thus. In its simplest form Grandsire Doubles is a method in which 120's are obtained by the judicious use of Bobs, Singles and Plain Leads. St. Dunstan Doubles is a method in which 120's are obtained by the judicious use of Bobs, Singles and Extremes, but *no* plain leads.

Of course, the two methods can be mixed up or, if you prefer it that way, extremes can be used with Grandsire. For ordinary Sunday ringing at towers that only ring Grandsire—and there are many such—I strongly recommend it. To plod on, Sunday after Sunday, with the stereotyped Grandsire 120's can become very monotonous. But let the conductor use Bobs, Singles, Extremes and Plain Leads as the spirit moves him and it is wonderful how Grandsire is brightened up and how much more the band have to keep on the alert. When it is time to lower the bells for service it is a simple matter to call the bells into rounds, especially if the conductor rings the second himself.

However, the points I wish to make are (a) there is a method with a saint's name—St. Dunstan—although it may only eke out a precarious existence in the backwaters of country parishes, and (b) the 'Extreme' is a regular call when used with St. Dunstan.

Just as there are 10 generally accepted callings in Grandsire, so also there are 32 generally accepted callings in St. Dunstan. Rightly or wrongly, from the angle of the Central Council, there have been peals called and they are recorded in village towers as having consisted of 'ten callings of Grandsire and thirty-two callings of St. Dunstan, each called differently.'—Yours faithfully,

T. V. LISTER.

Apperley, Glos.

WILLESDEN SURPRISE MAJOR

Dear Sir,—May I be allowed to congratulate Mr. Roberts and his band upon ringing this method for the first time. From information published the peal was composed and conducted by Mr. Roberts, and the figures of the method by Mr. A. J. Pitman. So far so good, but does Mr. Roberts realise that the method rung as 'Willessden' was published as 'Wycliffe,' and under my name, just over twenty years ago?—Yours truly,

E. W. TIPLER.

47, Baker Street, Lutterworth.

BOBS IN TREBLE BOB

Dear Sir,—Since the question of using 4th place bobs in 8th place methods has recently appeared in 'The Ringing World'—and it seems that sometimes this is advantageous—I wonder if anyone could inform me why a 4th place bob is used in Treble Bob, particularly in Kent?

Surely the proper bob would be a 6th place one and this would avoid the four blows in 4th place. I can see no reason why 6th place bob should not be employed. Can anyone tell me?

FREDK. J. JACKSON.

Bawtry, Yorks.

YEOVIL, SOMERSET.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist, on May 9th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: K. Brake 1, Miss F. Poole 2, W. H. Poole 3, H. Hurst 4, T. E. Marks 5, H. Gaylor 6, A. C. Jeanes 7, W. E. Turner 8, T. J. Setter (first as cond.) 9, F. Smith 10. First of Grandsire Caters by 1, 2 and 6. Seventieth birthday compliment to F. Smith.

HANLEY SWAN, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GABRIEL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 30 six-scores of Grandsire and 12 six-scores of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 10½ cwt.

*MISS MURIEL WILLETT... <i>Treble</i>	ERNEST F. CUBBERLEY ...	4
EDWARD MAUND ...	CHARLES J. CAMM ...	5
HAROLD WILLETT ...	HENRY BISHOP ...	Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES J. CAMM.

* First peal.

MONTFORD, SHROPSHIRE.
THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two extents of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Kent Treble Bob and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

MISS BESSIE CARTER ... <i>Treble</i>	FREDERICK G. BEDDOW...	4
A. EDWARD REEVES ...	CLIFFORD A. BARRON ...	5
WILLIAM A. FARMER ...	ARTHUR PRITCHARD ...	Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR PRITCHARD.

For the wedding of Mr. J. F. Butler and Miss G. Davies.

WAR SOP, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., May 16, 1948, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's. Tenor 15 cwt.

*HERBERT T. ROOKE ... <i>Treble</i>	RICHARD HIND ...	4
†REGINALD TOMLINSON... 2	WILLIAM DICKINSON ...	5
DONALD CHADWICK ... 3	FREDERICK FLINT ...	Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK FLINT.

* 50th peal. † First peal 'inside.' First as conductor. First peal of Oxford Treble Bob Minor on the bells and by all the band.

SILK WILLOUGHBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., May 17, 1948, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DENYS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores with 10 callings. Tenor 8 cwt 3 qr. 18 lb. in A.

MISS JOAN WRIGHT ... <i>Treble</i>	*CYRIL WANDER ...	4
MISS MARY SMITH ... 2	JAMES H. MUSSON ...	5
DENIS FRITH ... 3	*BERNARD H. DALTON ..	Tenor

Conducted by JAMES H. MUSSON.

* First peal of Grandsire Doubles.

CUCKNEY, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE.
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., May 17, 1948, in 2 Hours and 41 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's each of London Scholars' Pleasure. Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and one 720 of Plain Bob. Tenor 10½ cwt.

WILLIAM DICKINSON ... <i>Treble</i>	FREDERICK FLINT ...	4
WALTER ALLWOOD ... 2	HAROLD DENMAN ...	5
DONALD CHADWICK ... 3	HERBERT T. ROOKE ...	Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT T. ROOKE.

IBSTOCK, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Mon., May 17, 1948, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DENYS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two extents of Single Court, three extents of Oxford Bob and two extents of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

MISS IVY M. JORDAN ... <i>Treble</i>	ARTHUR E. ROWLEY ...	4
A. RAYMOND TONKS ... 2	RICHARD E. MANTON ...	5
*MISS B. M. JACKSON ... 3	WILLIAM T. GOADBY ...	Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR E. ROWLEY.

* First peal.

PIRBRIGHT, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., May 19, 1948, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of St. Clement's, Single Oxford, Double Oxford, Cambridge, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt 2 qr. 19 lb. in G.

*JOHN AVENELL... .. <i>Treble</i>	HAROLD A. MAY ...	4
GEORGE L. GROVER ... 2	WILLIAM T. BEESON ...	5
†FREDERICK CHERRYMAN 3	A. PATRICK CANNON ...	Tenor

Conducted by A. PATRICK CANNON.

* First peal. † First peal 'inside.' The conductor's 175th tower for a peal.

MULBARTON, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., May 17, 1948, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven 720's called differently. Tenor 8½ cwt.

*FRANK C. ARNOLD ... <i>Treble</i>	FREDK. W. MIDDLETON...	4
C. FRANK PHILLIPPO ... 2	ARTHUR J. SMALLS ...	5
HARRY J. HALL ... 3	F. CHARLES GOODMAN ...	Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR J. SMALLS.

* First peal.

HANDBELL PEALS

FARNHAM, SURREY.
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., May 12, 1948, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
AT 115, WEST STREET,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Original. Tenor size 20 in F.

RAYMOND PHILPOTT ... 1-2	ALFRED H. PULLING ...	5-6
*CHARLES W. DENVER ... 3-4	WILLIAM H. VIGGARS ...	7-8

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witness: Mrs. W. H. VIGGARS.

* First peal of Grandsire 'in hand.'

LEICESTER.
THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., May 13, 1948, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
IN THE BELFRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5072 CHANGES;

Tenor size 17 in A.

*MARGARET E. L. BEAMISH 1-2	WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ...	5-6
CHARLES MARSHALL ... 3-4	ERNEST MORRIS ...	7-8

W. ARTHUR RIDDINGTON... 9-10

Composed and Conducted by WALTER P. WHITEHEAD.

* First peal on ten handbells.

BOURNEMOUTH.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Fri., May 14, 1948, in 2 Hours and 8 Minutes,
AT 26, WELLINGTON ROAD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-part (7th observation). Tenor size 15 in C.

ALBERT H. WARD ... 1-2	DANIEL T. MATKIN ...	5-6
MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY 3-4	FRANCIS S. WILSON ...	7-8

Conducted by Mrs. F. J. MARSHALLSAY.

* First peal on ten handbells.

CAMBRIDGE.
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Fri., May 14, 1948, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes,
AT 37, WARKWORTH STREET,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES;

Tenor size 14 in D.

BRIAN D. THRELFALL ... 1-2	GEOFFREY DODDS ...	5-6
EDWIN J. LINDLEY ... 3-4	MICHAEL R. D. HARFORD 7-8	

Composed by E. M. ATKINS. Conducted by GEOFFREY DODDS.

First peal of Major and 'in hand' as conductor. Longest length of Major by all the band.

BOURNEMOUTH.
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., May 15, 1948, in 2 Hours and 10 Minutes,
AT 26, WELLINGTON ROAD,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven extents. Tenor size 15 in C.

MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY 1-2	DANIEL T. MATKIN ...	3-4
*ALBERT H. WARD	5-6

Conducted by DANIEL T. MATKIN.

* First peal of Minor 'in hand.'

BARNHURST, KENT.
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Sun., May 16, 1948, in 2 Hours and 9 Minutes,
AT 9, BEVERLEY ROAD,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor size 13 in F.

JACK L. MILLHOUSE ... 1-2	GEORGE H. CROSS ...	5-6
ALFRED WILLIAMS ... 3-4	MISS MARGARET FIDELL ...	7-8

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

CAMBRIDGE.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sun., May 16, 1948, in 2 Hours and 17 Minutes,
IN TRINITY COLLEGE,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES;

Tenor size 13 in F.

MAURICE J. THURMOT ... 1-2	HILL BRITAIN ...	5-6
EDWIN J. LINDLEY ... 3-4	JOHN A. ACRES ...	7-8

Adapted from E. MAURICE ATKINS.

Conducting shared by 3-4, 5-6, 7-8.

QUARTER PEALS

ABBOTSBURY, DORSET.—1,260 Grandsire Doubles: C. G. Ford 1, R. C. Trevett 2, W. H. Toms 3, W. G. Trevett 4, H. J. Ford (cond.) 5, J. H. Hayne 6. In memoriam Mr. G. R. Runyard, late captain of Bradford Peverell ringers.

APSLEY END, HERTS.—On May 9th, 1,260 Bob Minor: Pamela A. Martin 1, P. A. Nash (first quarter) 2, Olive M. Martin 3, L. G. Baines (first 'inside') 4, T. G. Morton 5, D. E. Latchford (first as cond.) 6. Rung for Empire Youth Sunday by six of the district juniors.

ASH, SURREY.—On May 9th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Miss Jean Whelan (first quarter) 1, Mrs. E. Peplar 2, E. Peplar 3, E. Sherwood 4, F. Ellis 5, T. Denyer (cond.) 6.

BRISTOL.—On May 11th, at St. Mary's, Redcliffe, 1,323 Stedman Cinques: A. M. Tyler 1, F. G. Leaker 2, A. E. Reeves 3, S. G. Riches 4, A. J. Corrigan 5, D. G. Clift (first of Cinques as cond.) 6, P. L. Pearce 7, N. H. Coombs 8, W. H. Parker 9, R. C. Seager 10, E. F. Hancock 11, L. Derrick 12. First of Stedman Cinques 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12.

BURFORD, OXON.—On May 6th, 1,260 St. Clement's Bob Triples: B. J. Forest 1, F. Soden 2, M. C. F. Collett 3, F. W. Soden (first in method as cond.) 4, T. J. H. Prince 5, T. W. Timms 6, W. J. Dixon 7, J. J. Westmacott 8. T. W. Timms conducted his first in the method on May 2nd.

CAMBERWELL, LONDON.—On May 9th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. R. F. Deal 1, H. Belcher 2, R. W. Green 3, W. H. Hewett 4, D. Satow 5, R. F. Deal 6, J. Phillips (cond.) 7, C. Mead 8.

CIRENCESTER, GLOS.—On May 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Corpl. R. J. Wallis 1, F. J. Lewis (cond.) 2, Rev. T. P. Hearn 3, V. R. Williams 4, J. Hope 5, H. L. Cooke 6, F. J. Lewis, jun. 7, R. R. Wallis 8. For the coming-of-age of Earl Bathurst.

COSELEY, STAFFS.—On May 9th, 1,440 Bob Minor: Mrs. G. Whatmore 1, A. Cope 2, F. Holden 3, D. Whatmore 4, C. R. Godfrey 5, J. D. Holden (cond.) 6. First quarter in the method for all.

CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.—On May 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. Apps 1, Miss F. M. Howell (first 'inside') 2, J. Lilley 3, J. Jeffery 4, T. Mitchell 5, R. Overy (cond.) 6, H. Lilley 7, E. J. Brett 8.

DAGENHAM, ESSEX.—On May 9th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: Miss D. Fleetwood 1, S. Kelly 2, D. G. Blows 3, C. Wright 4, F. J. Gant (cond.) 5, J. Armstrong 6, A. C. Chaplin 7, F. Freestone 8. First in method 1 and 2.

EALING.—At St. Mary's on May 9th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss D. Lidbetter (cond.) 1, J. E. Churchill 2, J. P. Kent 3, P. E. Clark 4, T. Davis (first in method) 5, A. M. Stacey 6, A. Harding 7, A. H. Fulwell 8.

GREAT WYMONDLEY, HERTS.—On May 3rd, 2,520 Surprise Minor (360 each of Alledale, Westminster, Netherseale, Annable's London, Norwich, Bourne and Cambridge): G. Cherry 1, E. W. Winters 2, A. E. Symonds 3, L. Fidler 4, W. J. Croft 5, F. W. Croft (cond.) 6. First half-peal of Surprise Minor in seven methods by all the band.

HESTON, MIDDLESEX.—On May 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: M. V. Chilcott 1, Miss P. Denton 2, D. J. Thomas 3, P. Betteridge 4, N. Thomas 5, J. B. Sansom (cond.) 6, J. E. Chilcott 7, K. Gristwood 8. Ringers' ages 13 to 18.

HUNTINGDON.—On May 9th, at St. Mary's, 1,440 Bob Minor: J. E. Spicer (first quarter-peal) 1, H. S. Peacock 2, D. Sanderson (R.A.F.) 3, C. H. J. Gravette 4, S. Gilbert 5, F. Warrington (cond.) 6.

KINGSTON, DORSET.—On May 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. Anderton 1, A. L. Pearson 2, G. F. Haysom 3, J. Sutton 4, F. W. Bishop 5, W. A. Theohald 6, J. H. Hunt (cond.) 7, F. W. Burnett 8. First quarter on the bells.

LYME REGIS, DORSET.—On May 9th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: R. Keeley 1, J. Morris 2, C. W. Powell (cond.) 3, S. H. Green 4, Rev. C. C. Cox 5, H. G. Keeley 6, G. S. Morris 7, J. Grant 8.

MISS JOAN BERESFORD



Less than two years ago Miss Joan Beresford, of Lichfield, started to learn to ring. She and her twin brothers are now regularly appearing in our peal columns. Joan recently celebrated her 16th birthday and her record to date is: Grandsire Doubles 2 (conducted 1), Grandsire Triples 3 (1), Doubles two methods 1 (1), Bob Minor 2 (1), Grandsire Doubles 'in hand' 1 (1), total 9.

LECKHAMPTON, GLOS.—1,260 Stedman Triples: C. W. Martin 1, F. Pratt 2, T. Boreham 3, D. Newcombe 4, E. Savage 5, C. Richings 6, J. F. Ballinger (cond.) 7, H. Poll 8. First quarter by 4, 5 and 8.

LEICESTER.—On Whit Sunday at St. Margaret's, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. Draycott 1, Dorothy Clark (Mablethorpe) 2, J. Bramley 3, W. Tanser 4, E. R. Whitehead 5, E. Morris 6, G. A. Olliffe (cond.) 7, C. Walker 8. First quarter 1 and 2.

OLD SAWLEY, DERBYSHIRE.—On Whit Sunday, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Wm. E. Simpson 1, Wm. H. T. King 2, R. A. Hickton 3, A. L. Garner 4, Geo. Rigby 5, Wm. E. Court (cond.) 6, C. Geary 7, A. Blatherwick 8. First quarter 5 and 8.

POOLE, DORSET.—On Sunday, May 2nd, 1,260 Stedman Triples: E. T. Hendley 1, J. I. Davis 2, A. R. Macdonald 3, W. H. Houlton 4, A. G. Rose 5, R. H. True 6, H. G. Baverstock (cond.) 7, E. Roper (first quarter) 8.

SELLY OAK, BIRMINGHAM.—On May 9th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. Pinfold 1, K. Haslam 2, Ed. Large 3, H. J. Turner 4, Wm. B. Cartwright 5, N. J. Goodman 6, H. W. Haslam (first as cond.) 7, F. H. Walters 8.

TROWBRIDGE, WILTS.—On May 9th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: Miss J. Applegate (first quarter) 1, G. H. Harding (cond.) 2, J. Jackson 3, E. Dench 4, A. Rogers 5, F. Wright 6, S. J. Hector 7, C. Butcher 8, C. F. Andrews 9, W. R. Baxter 10. First Grandsire Caters 5, 5 and 6.

TRULL, SOMERSET.—On May 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Hotchin 1, Clifford Harris (first quarter) 2, R. Perry 3, H. Churchill 4, J. Cole (cond.) 5, R. Harris 6.

WINCANTON, SOMERSET.—On May 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: H. Doel 1, P. Sparks 2, R. Field 3, W. Tiley 4, R. Higgans 5, J. Chilcott 6, H. J. Sanger (cond.) 7, R. Humphries 8. First of Triples 1, 4, 5, 6.

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DEATH

CLAYDON.—On June 3rd, 1948, at 8, Chartfield Road, Reigate, suddenly, Edith May, the beloved wife of Walter Claydon, aged 67 years. 3665

RETURN THANKS

Mrs. Elsie Groombridge wishes to thank all the kind ringing friends who have written to her in her great loss. She finds it impossible to answer each one individually. 3654

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Dr. J. E. Spicer's address is now 38, Linnet Lane, Liverpool, 17. Telephone Princes Park 4070. 3659

ACCOMMODATION WANTED

Norwich or vicinity, bed and breakfast for 10 ringers (mostly men), together or separately, for week August 14th-21st. Will anyone able to help please write to G. E. Watson, 81, Church Street, Burton Latimer, Northants. 3647

FOR SALE

Light musical peal of handbells not used since overhaul by Mears. Consisting of 15 bells, including B flat and F sharp. Tenor 4½ inches in C. Best offer over £8.—Apply A. E. Pitstow, 25, West Road, Saffron Walden. 3631

PUBLICATIONS

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MEETINGS

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.W. Division.—Meeting at Stansted for June 12th cancelled owing to circumstances beyond our control.—G. Blake, District Sec. 3643

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leatherhead District.—Meeting, Ewell, Saturday, June 12th. Bells from 3. Service 4.15. Tea 5 at Congregational Church Hall. 3572

GUILDFORD GUILD.—Chertsey District.—Ottershaw, June 12th. Usual arrangements. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 5.—F. E. Hawthorne, Hon. Sec. 3577

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Next meeting, All Saints', Fulham, Saturday, June 12th, 4 p.m. Bells available from 5.20. Summer outing, July 10th, to Cuckfield and Lindfield. Particulars later.—A. B. Peck, 1, Eversfield Road, Reigate. 3623

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Cambridge District.—Bourn (8), Saturday, June 12th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Bring own food, cups of tea provided.—H. L. Martin, District Sec. 3589

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northern District.—Meeting, All Saints', Poplar (10), Saturday, June 12th. Ringing 3-4.30, 6.30-8. Service 4.30. Own tea arrangements.—B. H. Begrie, District Sec. 3600

OXFORD GUILD.—Newbury Branch.—East Ilsley (8), Saturday, June 12th, 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. 3593

EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.—West Hoathly (6), June 12th. Tea for those who notify Rev. C. H. Valentine, The Vicarage, West Hoathly, East Grinstead.—C. A. Bassett. 3592

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Southern Division.—Meeting, Seaford, Saturday, June 12th. Bells 2.30. Tea 5 p.m. 3616

MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.—Meeting, Lullington (6), June 12th. Bells 2.30. Tea 4.45. 3628

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Tring (8), Saturday, June 12th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea following.—W. C. Hughes, Dis. Sec. 3629

LADIES' GUILD.—Eastern District.—Annual meeting, Ipswich, Saturday, June 12th. St. Mary-le-Tower 2.15-3 and 4.8-30; St. Margaret's after 6.30. Tea 5 o'clock at Tudor Cafe. Business meeting after. All cordially invited.—Mrs. S. R. E. Pipe, Grundisburgh, Woodbridge, Suffolk. 3609

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Dorset Branch.—Meeting at Bradford Abbas, Sherborne, June 12th. Visitors welcome.—William Uphill, Hon. Sec. 3630

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—North Norfolk Branch.—Meeting at Reepham, Saturday, June 19th. Bells (6) from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. at the I.X.L. Restaurant. Names for tea not later than Tuesday, June 15th, to H. Tooke, The Lizard, Wymondham, Norfolk. 3603

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Meeting at Dunstable, June 19th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea, names for which must reach Mr. A. E. Sharman, 199, High Street N., Dunstable, by June 15th.—G. W. Steere, 46, Milton Avenue, Sutton, Surrey. 3604

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Ashford District.—Quarterly meeting, Folkestone (8), June 19th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea by June 16th to Mr. J. Willis, 7, Salisbury Villas, Shorncliffe Road, Folkestone. 3605

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—N. and E. District.—Meeting at St. Andrew's, Enfield, on Saturday, June 19th, 3.30 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. with business to follow.—T. J. Lock, District Sec. 3585

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chipping Norton Deanery Branch.—Annual meeting will be held at Chipping Norton, Saturday, June 19th.—J. Keyte, Hon. Sec., Charlbury, Oxford. 3625

WORCESTERSHIRE (Northern).—Quarterly meeting, Bromsgrove (10), Saturday, June 19th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea and business. Tea only for those who notify me by 16th (caterers' request).—B. C. Ashford, Sec., Bowling Green Lane, Stourbridge. 3619

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hinckley District.—Claybrook (8), June 19th. Bells 3. Cups of tea, Swan Inn, Ullesthorpe, 4.45. Notify Mr. C. Clarke, The Nook, Ullesthorpe, near Rugby by June 16th. 3642

WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD.—Winchester District.—District meeting, Ropley, Saturday, June 19th. Bells available 2. Service 4. Tea in Village Hall followed by meeting 5. Names for tea to Mr. J. A. C. King, 59, Western Road, Winchester, by Monday, June 14th. Members are asked to consider a possible candidate for secretary since present secretary has to resign due to forthcoming service in H.M. Forces. 3587

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—Quarterly meeting, June 19th, Clay Cross (6). Business important. Bring own food.—J. W. Price. 3653

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Coventry and Rugby Districts.—Meeting at Brinklow (6), June 19th. Names for tea to me by the Tuesday previous.—T. W. Sheppard, 2, Guild Road, Foleshill, Coventry. 3649

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.—N.E. Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Bampton, Saturday, June 19th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 4.45. Names for tea by 14th to C. G. Dymond, Sec., Silvertown. 3646

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Loughborough District.—Woodhouse Eaves, June 19th, 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea, Pear Tree Inn. Names by June 16th, Mr. Haynes, 31, Main Street, Woodhouse Eaves. No names no tea.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Crewle Branch.—Wistaston (6), Saturday, June 19th, 2.30. Tea provided. Names by 15th to Richard D. Langford, 118, Ruskin Road, Crewe. 3658

ELY ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech District.—Upwell (6), Saturday, June 19th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 (own food).—W. Buckenham, Marham, King's Lynn. 3657

SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Escrib (8), June 19th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Bring food. Cups of tea provided. 3660

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be at Christ Church, West Didsbury, on Saturday, June 19th, at 3.30 p.m. Cups of tea provided.—Frank Reynolds, Branch Sec. 3582

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northern Branch (Gainsborough District).—Meeting at Kirton Lindsey (6 bells) on Saturday, June 19th. Service 4.15. Tea for those who notify Mr. G. E. Feirn, Cleatham, Kirton Lindsey, by Monday previous. This is essential!—George L. A. Lunn, Hon. Sec. 3632

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—Meeting at Blackrod on Saturday, June 19th. Bells available 2.30. Business 6.30. Tea provided free. Names to T. Harrison, 139, New Street, Blackrod, by June 16th.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec. 3634

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Meeting at Winford, Saturday, June 19th, 4 o'clock.—Percy G. Yeo, Long Ashton.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South-Eastern Division.—Meeting, Purleigh (6), June 19th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Numbers for tea to A. H. Everett, Rose Cottage, Boreham. 3622

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.—Ringing anniversary, Saturday, June 19th, 2 p.m. All ringers welcome. Tea, shop opposite church.—S. H. Symonds. 3635

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wirral Branch.—Monthly meeting, St. Mary's, Liscard (8), Saturday, June 19th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Cups of tea only provided. 3636

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—Quarterly meeting, Fittleworth (6), June 19th, 3. Names for tea (by 16th) to E. Treagus, 78, Kyoto Court, Bognor Regis. 3630

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Southern District).—BARNSELY AND DONCASTER DISTRICT SOCIETIES.—Annual joint meeting, Wath-on-Dearne, Saturday, June 19th, 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. in Church House. Names to W. Green, 9, Moor Road, Wath-on-Dearne, by June 16th.—J. J. L. Gilbert. 3661

N.E. ESSEX and SUFFOLK GUILD.—Joint meeting, Stratford St. Mary, June 19th. Bells (6) at 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Names for this to Edward G. Ellenger, 108, St. John's Road, Ipswich. East Bergholt bells to be rung at 7. An opportunity to see this unique performance. 3606

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Meeting at Saltburn (8 bells), June 19th. Names for tea to Mr. G. P. Kemball, 40, Diamond Street, Saltburn-by-Sea, not later than June 17th.—Edward Hudson, Hon. Sec. 3662

GULLDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Combined practice at Crondall (6) on Saturday, June 19th, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.—G. S. Joyce, Hon. Dis. Sec. 3664

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—S. and W. District.—Meeting at St. Peter's, Staines, on Saturday, June 19th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Own arrangements for tea.—F. A. Finch, District Sec. 3640

SOUTHAMPTON, ST. MARY'S.—Dedication recast ring of ten, Sunday, June 20th, 3 p.m. Ringing 4.15-6.30 and after evening service. Tea for those who advise by June 16th.—J. W. Faithfull, 31, High Road, Swaythling, Southampton. 3656

TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.—Diocesan Festival, Saturday afternoon, June 26th, at Truro. Bells, Cathedral (10), Kenwyn (8), Kea (8). Service at Cathedral 4, when ringers will be welcomed by the Bishop. Tea in St. Mary's Hall 1s. Replies by 19th.—H. Trehwella, Cranstock, Newquay. 3637

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—By-meeting, Dover, Saturday, June 26th. Bells (8) 2.45. Service 4.15. Tea, 1s. 6d. per head, only to those who notify Mr. C. Turner, 116, Clarendon Street, Dover, not later than June 22nd.—B. J. Luck, 20, Beaconsfield Road, Canterbury. 3645

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—North-Western District.—Meeting, All Saints', Benhilton, Sutton, Saturday, June 26th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and meeting. Notice for tea, please, by June 23rd to Mr. Gosden, 44, Rectory Road, Sutton.—R. Lathbury, Hon. District Sec. 3648

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Derby District).—LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Loughborough District), MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.—Joint meeting, Melbourne, June 26th, 3. Tea 5. Names for tea to Mr. Warren, Potters Street, Melbourne, June 23rd latest. 3650

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Crewkerne and Ilchester Deaneries.—Combined meeting, Yeovil, June 26th. Service 4.30. Tea follows (no sugar). Early notice to T. Senter, 52, Middle Street, Yeovil.—F. Farrant, Martock. 3651

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—Meeting at Burstow (6), Saturday, June 26th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea (2s. 6d.) 5 p.m. only for those who notify L. W. Penfold, Rebow, New Road, Smallfield, Horley, by June 21st. 3652

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—Meeting at Braughing, Saturday, June 26th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 4.45. Names for tea must reach me by Tuesday, June 22nd.—H. Groom, 1, Broken Green Cottages, Standon, Ware, Herts. 3633

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION (Hunts District) and PETERBOROUGH GUILD (Thrapston Branch).—Joint meeting, Spaldwick, Saturday, June 26th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. No tea arrangements.—S. Gilbert and G. W. Jeffs, District and Hon. Secs. 3663

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Promote Branch.—Corporate Communion, Sunday, June 27th, Kilmersdon, 8 a.m. Please notify me if you intend to be there. Breakfast at the Joliffe Arms for those who send their names by June 23rd.—E. H. Nash, Mells, near Frome. 3590

LADIES' GUILD.—The annual general meeting will be held in London on Saturday, July 3rd. Fuller particulars later.—Edith K. Fletcher, Hon. Sec. 3617

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Preliminary notice.—Annual meeting and festival, Oxford, Saturday, July 17th. Luncheon tickets 5s. Latest date for application July 6th. Full details later.—William Hibbert, Gen. Sec. 3638



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