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These famous bell-founding firms have kindly consented to this adaptation of their advertisements to meet the pressure on our space, due to the compulsory reduction in the number of our pages this week.

A LANCASHIRE HOTPOT

LANCASHIRE folk claim to have gifts of unusual perception and anticipation, giving them mental faculties in advance of the nation. This column is not the appropriate place for justifying 'what Lancashire thinks to-day . . .,' but we would say that the Lancashire Association has been of great service to the Exercise in the publication of their fifth edition of 'Instructions and Diagrams for Beginners' at the modest figure of 1s. 6d. Text books on ringing are still inadequate in view of the large number of young people who have been attracted to our art.

To meet the deficiency the president of the Association, the Rev. F. F. Rigby, has published since the war 'Elementary Change Ringing,' and the Snowdon Series has had a revised edition of 'Grandsire,' largely the work of the late Mr. J. A. Trollope. There have also been the two valuable Surprise books from Mr. J. A. Corrigan, the late J. W. Parker's treatise on Stedman Triples, and Mr. Edgar C. Shepherd's 'Double Norwich Court Bob Caters.' The Rev. E. S. Powell's lamented death robbed the Exercise of one who had the gift of explaining the intricacies of ringing; his 'Ringers' Handbook' holds an honoured place among the bibliography of our art, and shortly before his passing he produced a revised and corrected edition of his handbook. The Central Council are not unmindful of its position, and they have in hand a book on Minor methods which should be available shortly, and also a book on handbell ringing.

While the handbook of the Lancashire Association embraces in its title the word 'for beginners,' its coverage goes as far as the principal Surprise methods, and the ringer who has mastered its contents could confidently regard himself as an accomplished exponent of the art. What is also of great value is the large number of touches and peals introduced. Many, it is true, are old favourites, but it is very handy to have them at hand. There is something to meet the ordinary occasions of ringing.

During the war the old type of this book was melted down and in consequence the work has been reset. There have been additions in accordance with the trend of events. Two new Plain Minor methods—Hereward Bob and Childwall Bob—have been added. Of the Surprise Minor methods only Cambridge and London are retained from the old edition, and in place of those omitted Wells, Surfleet, Beverley, Durham and York are introduced. Due recognition is also made of the Rev. E. Bankes James' arrangement of 5,040 Cambridge Minor. Other innovations are Erin Triples, Little Bob Major and Gainsborough Little Bob Major, and notes on conducting and handbell ringing, for which the Association thanks Dr. J. E. Spice.

To the sub-committee responsible—the Rev. F. F. Rigby, A. Tomlinson, G. R. Newton and P. Crook—a word of appreciation is due. The proofing of such a work is no light undertaking. While primarily for the Lancashire Association, the sale of the book is in no sense restricted to members. It is priced as low as 1s. 6d., which, in the words of one of the sub-committee, will not enable the officials of the Lancashire Association to retire on their profits from the publishing world! The desire is to help the Exercise. Thank you, Lancashire, for a fine piece of work!

**TWELVE BELL PEAL**

IPSWICH.  
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., Sept. 18, 1948, in 3 Hours and 35 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;**

WILLIAM TILLET ... <i>Treble</i>	GEORGE A. FLEMING ... 7
SYLVIA R. E. PIPE ... 2	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 8
*GEORGE W. PIPE ... 3	GEORGE E. SYMONDS ... 9
CHARLES J. SEDGLEY ... 4	CECIL W. PIPE ... 10
HARRY R. ROPER ... 5	ERNEST W. PYE ... 11
WILLIAM J. G. BROWN ... 6	HERBERT G. JILLINGS ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed and Conducted by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY.

\* First peal of Stedman. Rung in honour of the 97th birthday of Robert H. Brundle. Tenor 32 cwt.

**TEN BELL PEALS**

BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Sat., Sept. 11, 1948, in 3 Hours and 23 Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP,

**A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

WILLIAM C. DOWDING... <i>Treble</i>	WALTER F. JUDGE ... 6
MISS MARGARET L. TUTT ... 2	FRANK E. HAYNES ... 7
FREDK. A. H. WILKINS ... 3	JOHN PINFOLD ... 8
G. WILLIAM CRITCHLEY... 4	HENRY H. FEARN ... 9
EDGAR C. SHEPHERD ... 5	GEORGE E. FEARN ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by CHAS. J. SEDGLEY. Conducted by G. W. CRITCHLEY.

BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Thurs., Sept. 16, 1948, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;**

Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.

*MISS MURIEL REAY ... <i>Treble</i>	*WILLIAM A. T. CARTER ... 6
EDGAR C. SHEPHERD ... 2	H. JAMES TURNER ... 7
ALBERT WALKER ... 3	*A. GEORGE WELLS ... 8
JOHN PINFOLD ... 4	GEORGE E. FEARN ... 9
JOHN S. WALTON ... 5	FRANK H. HICKS ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by CHAS. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters. In memoriam Dr. McGowan, Bishop of Wakefield, late Vicar of Aston.

WORSLEY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Sept. 17, 1948, in 3 Hours and 29 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 24 cwt.

JAMES FERNLEY ... <i>Treble</i>	CYRIL VALENTINE ... 6
C. KENNETH LEWIS ... 2	JOHN WORTH ... 7
JOHN E. BIBBY ... 3	DAVID C. VINCENT ... 8
MRS. H. J. POOLE ... 4	WALTER ALLMAN ... 9
WILFRED STEVENSON ... 5	HAROLD J. POOLE ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by F. DENCH. Conducted by HAROLD J. POOLE.

**EIGHT BELL PEALS**

SUTERTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Aug. 28, 1948, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

WILLIAM WILKINSON ... <i>Treble</i>	*KENNETH KEITERINGHAM ... 5
*MISS DOROTHY CLARK... 2	*GEORGE E. MANSER ... 6
†MISS LORNA BRIGGS ... 3	JACK PETCH ... 7
*JOHN I. SMITH ... 4	WILLIAM E. CLARKE ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by JOHN REEVES. Conducted by WILLIAM E. CLARKE.

\* First peal of Major. † First peal of Major on an 'inside' bell. A birthday compliment to the conductor and Bryan Petch, son of the ringer of the seventh. Tenor 16 cwt.

BUCKLAND MONACHORUM, DEVON.  
THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

On Wed., Sept. 8, 1948, in 3 Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

J. HARRY TIPPET ... <i>Treble</i>	H. FREDERICK MYERS ... 5
MRS. F. E. COLLINS ... 2	SIDNEY O'SHAUGHNESSY... 6
A. WILLIAM MYERS ... 3	FREDERICK E. COLLINS... 7
WILLIAM G. LAVERS ... 4	THOMAS G. MYERS ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by J. PRITCHARD. Conducted by THOMAS G. MYERS.

First peal of Major on the bells. Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qr. 5 lb. in E.

WESTBOURNE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Sept. 11, 1948, in 2 Hours and 59 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10½ cwt.

ERNEST J. MUNDAY ... <i>Treble</i>	TOWER R. TAYLOR ... 5
*MRS. E. F. SALMONS... 2	*ERNEST F. SALMONS ... 6
*MISS HAZEL DALE ... 3	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 7
FREDERICK W. BURNETT 4	ALFRED T. GREENWOOD <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by GEO. H. CROSS. Conducted by FREDK. W. ROGERS.

\* First peal of Yorkshire. First peal of Yorkshire on the bells.

WHISTON, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Sept. 11, 1948, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

JOHN E. TURLEY ... <i>Treble</i>	†PETER E. NORTH ... 5
MRS. MILDRED TURLEY 2	†GEORGE S. LEE ... 6
HERBERT O. CHADDOCK 3	†DENNIS HOLLAND ... 7
*BRYAN THOMAS ... 4	NORMAN CHADDOCK ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by JOHN NICHOL. Conducted by NORMAN CHADDOCK.

\* First peal. † First peal in the method. In memoriam James F. Bailey, of Dartford, Kent. Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lb. in F.

WRAYSBURY, BUCKS.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Sept. 11, 1948, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

**A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt.

HERBERT W. IMPEY ... <i>Treble</i>	WILLIAM WELLING ... 5
GEORGE M. KILBY ... 2	ALICK CUTLER ... 6
GEORGE MARTIN ... 3	REGINALD A. REED ... 7
THOMAS G. BANNISTER... 4	CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by J. W. PARKER. Conducted by CHARLES W. ROBERTS.

EDENBRIDGE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Sept. 11, 1948, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF ST. CLEMENT'S COLLEGE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

Tenor 14 cwt. 7 lb.

WILLIAM G. COOK... <i>Treble</i>	THOMAS E. SONE ... 5
ROBERT COLLINS ... 2	EDWIN H. LEWIS ... 6
LEONARD A. TIDY ... 3	JOHN O. WELLER ... 7
DORIS E. COLGATE ... 4	FREDK. W. BUDGEN ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by E. J. LINDLEY. Conducted by EDWIN H. LEWIS.

First peal in the method by all except the conductor.

DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., Sept. 11, 1948, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

**A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21½ cwt. in E flat.

W. E. MAULDEN ... <i>Treble</i>	FRANK L. FISHER ... 5
GEORGE W. PIPE ... 2	GEORGE A. FLEMING ... 6
LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN ... 3	WILLIAM J. BUTTON ... 7
SYLVIA R. E. PIPE... 4	CECIL W. PIPE ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by GEO. LEWIS. Conducted by SYLVIA R. E. PIPE.

First peal in the method as conductor. A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur S. Boar, of Milton Regis, Kent.

HUGHENDEN, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Sept. 11, 1948, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

ROWLAND BIGGS ... <i>Treble</i>	JESSE HARRISON ... 5
*SYLVIA COKER ... 2	C. ALFRED LEVETT ... 6
DAVID COX ... 3	DONALD BOREHAM ... 7
FRANK BENNETT ... 4	WALTER LEE ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First peal in the method. Tenor 12½ cwt.

GILMORTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Sept. 11, 1948, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

Tenor 10 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

HENRY R. PARKINSON... <i>Treble</i>	SHIRLEY BURTON ... 5
*JOHN E. S. MORETON... 2	WALTER P. WHITEHEAD... 6
*ALAN CATTELL ... 3	FRANK TROTMAN ... 7
LEONARD TREVOR ... 4	FRANK H. HICKS ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by W. P. WHITEHEAD.

\* First peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major. First in method on the bells.

WEM, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Sept. 11, 1948, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

MISS BESSIE CARTER ... Treble	GEORGE F. SPERRING ... 5
HENRY O. BAKER ... 2	FREDK. G. BEDDON ... 6
JOHN W. GRIFFITHS ... 3	WILLIAM A. FARMER ... 7
JOHN F. BUTLER ... 4	EDWARD V. RODENHURST Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE. Conducted by Wm. A. FARMER.

First peal of Major as conductor.

CHIPPING NORTON, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Sept. 11, 1948, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-part. Tenor 14 cwt.	
*ALFRED HOPKINS ... Treble	IVOR D. HARRIS ... 5
DANIEL G. COOMBS ... 2	WILLIAM J. CROSS ... 6
MICHAEL H. LINDEN ... 3	REGINALD H. JARVIS ... 7
JAMES W. BARBER ... 4	*CYRIL W. TOMPKINS ... Tenor

Conducted by REGINALD H. JARVIS.

\* First peal. A farewell peal to the ringer of the 3rd and a compliment to the ringer of the 2nd on the occasion of his silver wedding.

BIRCH-IN-RUSHOLME, MANCHESTER.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Sept. 13, 1948, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

FREDK. R. WILLIAMS ... Treble	*THOMAS W. LAMB ... 5
MISS MARY WALSHAW ... 2	†DENNIS TÖON ... 6
RONALD AIREY ... 3	WILLIAM PYE ... 7
REV. R. D. ST. J. SMITH ... 4	HAROLD WALKER ... Tenor

Composed by J. BARKER (C.C.C. No. 162).

Conducted by REV. R. D. ST. JOHN SMITH.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal on eight bells.

HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Mon., Sept. 13, 1948, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. REMIGIUS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 9 cwt. 74 lb. in G.	
HENRY TOOKE ... Treble	ROBERT G. FISHER ... 5
RAYMOND G. LOFTY ... 2	REV. ARTHUR S. ROBERTS ... 6
CHARLES H. MOORE ... 3	GEORGE SAYER ... 7
*MISS EILEEN BRACEY ... 4	NOLAN GOLDEN ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by HENRY TOOKE.

\* First peal in the method. A welcome to the new Rector.

EAST HAGBOURNE, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tues., Sept. 14, 1948, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-part. Tenor 22 cwt.	
BERTRAM L. J. BROWN ... Treble	FREDK. C. WHITE ... 5
JAMES GORDON ... 2	ROBERT B. BLOND ... 6
HENRY L. BISHOP ... 3	GEORGE HOLIFIELD ... 7
GEORGE BISHOP ... 4	FRANCIS A. WHITE ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE HOLIFIELD.

BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Wed., Sept. 15, 1948, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes, AT BISHOP RYDER'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

*MISS MURIEL REAY ... Treble	WILLIAM C. DOWDING ... 5
SIDNEY O'C. HOLLOWAY ... 2	FRANK H. HICKS ... 6
HENRY H. FEARN ... 3	GEORGE E. FEARN ... 7
JOHN PINFOLD ... 4	LEONARD TREVOR ... Tenor

Composed by WALTER P. WHITEHEAD. Conducted by L. TREVOR.

\* First peal of Major. Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 24 lb.

STOKE MANDEVILLE, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Sept. 16, 1948, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 9 cwt.	
C. ALFRED LEVETT ... Treble	FRANK BENNETT ... 5
KATHLEEN FLETCHER ... 2	ERNEST J. OLIVER ... 6
SYLVIA COKER ... 3	ERNEST GOSLING ... 7
GEORGE MARTIN ... 4	WALTER LEE ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS

LAUNCELLS, CORNWALL. THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Sept. 9, 1948, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHUN,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven 720's.	Tenor 10 cwt.
*ROBERT J. HICKS ... Treble	*ALAN J. HICKS ... 4
†ALBERT E. BISSATT ... 2,	CHARLES SANGWIN ... 5
*CHARLES E. TAYLOR ... 3	FREDERICK E. COLLINS Tenor

Conducted by FREDERICK E. COLLINS.

\* First peal of Minor. † First peal. The first peal on the bells.

GREAT ADDINGTON, NORTHANTS.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Sept. 9, 1948, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob and three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. 12 lb.	
*BRIAN EATON ... Treble	PATRICK I. CHAPMAN ... 4
MRS. G. E. WATSON ... 2	GEOFFREY E. WATSON ... 5
JOHN SHATFORD ... 3	BRIAN AUSTIN ... Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY E. WATSON.

\* First peal.

EASTWELL, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Sept. 10, 1948, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different extents. Tenor 14 cwt.	
PERCY PAGE ... Treble	WILLIAM A. OLDFIELD ... 4
ALBERT J. LANCEFIELD ... 2	FREDK. G. HUCKSTEEP ... 5
PETER D. HUCKSTEEP ... 3	MARK S. LANCEFIELD ... Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT J. LANCEFIELD.

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

PRESTON CAPES, NORTHANTS.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Sept. 11, 1948, in 3 Hours and 20 Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 21 extents each of Grandsire and Plain Bob. Tenor 17 cwt.	
H. ERIC CATLIN ... Treble	KILBY R. HOLTOM ... 3
*FREDK. W. HUTT ... 2	†EDMUND E. PEARSON ... 4
VICTOR A. PERRY ... Tenor	

Conducted by KILBY R. HOLTOM.

\* First peal in two methods. † First peal of Doubles. First peal on the bells.

PELSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Tues., Sept. 14, 1948, in 2 Hours and 26 Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of eight 120's of Reverse Canterbury (4 callings), eight 120's of Plain Bob (4 callings), six 120's of April Day (3 callings), fourteen 120's of Stedman (10 callings), six 120's of Grandsire (6 callings). Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb.	
ARTHUR G. NEWMAN ... Treble	GEORGE W. HUGHES ... 4
*P. GEORGE GOLDER ... 2	HOWARD HOWELL ... 5
*MAURICE G. TURNER ... 3	*ALAN ELSMORE ... Tenor

Conducted by HOWARD HOWELL.

\* First peal in five methods.

HANDBELL PEALS

BOURNEMOUTH.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sun., Sept. 12, 1948, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes, AT 26, WELLINGTON ROAD,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor size 15 in C.	
*ALBERT H. WARD ... 1-2	DANIEL T. MATKIN ... 5-6
MRS. F. J. MARSHALLSAY 3-4	*ROY C. HURST ... 7-8

Composed by E. M. ATKINS. Conducted by DANIEL T. MATKIN.

\* First peal of Major 'in hand.'

LEICESTER.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thurs., Sept. 16, 1948, in 2 Hours and 5 Minutes, IN THE BELFRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Washbrook's. Tenor size 17 in A.	
CHARLES MARSHALL ... 1-2	ERNEST MORRIS ... 5-6
WALTER P. WHITEHEAD ... 3-4	JOSIAH MORRIS ... 7-8

Non-conducted.

# 'THE RINGING WORLD'

The Official Journal of the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers

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Master George W. Pipe (13) has started his peals of the Stedman family with one of Cinques at Ipswich.

The bells of St. James', Devizes, will be broadcast for a few minutes before the 9.30 a.m. service on October 10th.

The average age of the band which rang the peal of Minor in five methods at Great Addington, Northants, was 19 years 1 month.

Congratulations to Mr. Percival H. Hull on five first peals at Westbury-sub-Mendip, Somerset. We hope it will not stop at Grand-sire Doubles.

Wonersh, Surrey, bells will be dedicated next Sunday immediately preceding the Sung Eucharist at 11 a.m. Ringing will take place after the service.

Standing Committee of Norwich Diocesan Association are to discuss an amendment to rules imposing a peal booking fee of 6d. on each ringer taking part in a peal for the Association.

A ringing pupil of Mr. Harold J. Poole, Harry Poyner, composed the method, Stanton Surprise, which appeared on page 386. The peal composition was found to be the same as John Reeves discovered years ago.

At the R.A.F. Station Church of St. Michael and All-ANGE's, Hereford, on Battle of Britain Sunday, Queen's and call changes were rung for morning service by B. W. A. Laker (Littlehampton) 1-2, A. W. F. Scarlett (Cheltenham) 3-4, F. S. Worth (Plymouth) 5-6.

Another notable absentee from the peal columns for some months is the well-known North Kent ringer, Mr. E. A. Barnett, who was ordered a complete rest by his doctor in May and is at present in hospital at Lenham, near Maidstone, where he is making satisfactory progress.

With reference to the death of Mr. Harry Chapman, who did so much good work for the Lancashire Association, a correspondent states he rang in all 495 peals (5 handbells, conducting 63). Of these 369 were for the Lancashire Association and the rest among 26 different associations and guilds. He rang peals in no fewer than 150 towers.

On December 5th last we commented on the four method peal of Spliced Surprise at Bantstead for Princess Elizabeth's wedding, and asked, 'Is there another tower in the country whose local hand could ring this peal?' The answer is 'Yes.' The Sunday service band at St. Martin's and All Saints', Oxford, have rung a peal in eight spliced Surprise methods.

The Bishop of Monmouth preached at the service to celebrate the 11th anniversary of the dedication of the bells of Christ Church, Ebbw Vale, on September 19th. He called on all who heard the summons to respond to it and on all who rang to be faithful to the service. During the service a touch of Grand-sire Triples was rung on handbells at the chancel steps by R. Stephens 1-2, T. Stephens 3-4, W. Thompsett 5-6, J. Alsop 7-8.

In appreciation of his services as ringer, secretary and captain for many years at St. Lawrence's, Hawkhurst, Kent, Mr. W. G. Gorrings was presented on September 19th by Mrs. F. Butler, on behalf of the local band, with a combined peal and tower record book, the flyleaf of which was inscribed with an appreciation of his services and the names of subscribers. The same evening a gift was made to the tower of a peal book by Miss Louisa M. Kemp and a quarter-peal book to Mr. A. H. Kemp. All three books were of the 'Delight Major' series, supplied by Mr. W. Viggers.

## Conducting at 12!



JOHN L. MORRIS,

twelve-year-old protégé of Mr. Frank C. W. Knight, who participated in the recent tour in Kent. John started to handle a bell in September, 1947, at the Church of the Annunciation, Chislehurst, with a group of boys, none of whom had entered a belfry before. Despite the handicap of heavy bells, the band made good progress and are now ringing Grand-sire, Plain Bob and have started Treble Bob.

John has eight peals to his credit (3 Plain Bob Major, 3 Grand-sire Triples and 2 Grand-sire Doubles), all rung on working bells. He has started conducting and called his first quarter on September 12th. John has mastered Double Norwich Court Bob Major and on ten bells can perform competently in Grand-sire and Stedman Caters and Bob Royal.

## CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD WIRRAL BRANCH.

Eleven Wirral towers were represented at the gathering of 57 ringers and friends at Neston Parish Church on September 18th. Touches of Surprise Major, Treble Bob and Plain Bob were successfully concluded, interspersed with rounds for beginners.

The service was conducted by the Rev. T. O. East (Vicar), and the company were guests of the Neston Parochial Church Council at tea.

Business included details of the social to be held on December 30th at St. Saviour's Parish Hall, Oxtun. Six young members were complimented on their peal at Bidston, and four honorary members elected. The vote of thanks to all who had helped to make the meeting a success was carried with acclamation.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSN.

The quarterly meeting of the Swindon Branch was held at Lattan and Cricklade (both 'left-handed' fives), on September 11th, and proved a good missionary event, ringers from three towers where ringing is at a very low ebb receiving instruction in the rudiments of change ringing. It was noted that twelve of the branch members present were under 18.

It was decided to hold a joint meeting with the Salisbury Guild at Wootton Bassett in October and the branch annual at Christ Church, Swindon, in December. Ringers attended from Swindon, Castle Eaton, Rodbourne Cheney, Blunsdon, Chippenham, Cricklade, Lattan and Chiseldon.

## Birmingham Cathedral

A very generous offer to add two additional treble bells to the existing ring of ten at Birmingham Cathedral has been made by Mr. Frank B. Yates, of The Clock House, Hopwood, Birmingham.

The Cathedral Chapter have gratefully accepted the gift and the work is to be put in hand at once by the founders of the bells.

Needless to say, this generous offer has given great pleasure and satisfaction to the St. Martin's Guild, of which Mr. Yates has been an honoured member for many years, and will give the City of Birmingham three rings of twelve bells—St. Martin's Church, Aston Parish Church and now the Cathedral Church.

It is interesting to recall that over twenty years ago Mr. Yates generously gave two additional bells to King's Norton Church, making a ring of ten bells.

It is hoped the Cathedral twelve will be ready in good time for the customary Johnson Dinner early next year, when the many visitors on these occasions will be able to ring on this grand ring of bells. A.W.

## A YORKSHIRE VETERAN

Those who have been privileged to ring on the fine peal of ten at Selby Abbey will be pleased to learn that Mr. Fred Cryer, now in his 90th year, still maintains an active interest in the doings of the Exercise. He reads his 'Ringing World' regularly and is very well informed in current happenings, writes J.F.S.

Mr. Cryer was actively associated with the restoration of the bells at the Abbey, and rumour has it that he spent quite a lot of time actually cleaning and polishing the bells when he was younger.

Advancing years prevent him from gaining access to the belfry, but he keeps a watchful eye on the quality of the ringing. He is particularly proud of having rung twice at St. Paul's Cathedral some years ago. The Yorkshire Association has been very lucky to possess such a stalwart as Mr. Cryer, and the Exercise will wish him many more years of enjoyment in listening to the lovely tones of Selby bells.

## WINCHESTER & PORTSMOUTH GUILD WINCHESTER DISTRICT.

Four enthusiasts cycled 40 miles from Bournemouth to attend the meeting at Barton Stacey on September 18th, when 29 members were present. Ringing on the light six, says our correspondent, competed with the organist both in quality and quantity.

The Rev. T. G. King, of Stoke Charity, gave the address at the service and presided at the business meeting which followed tea in the Plough Inn.

The question of a Guild War Memorial was discussed, and the meeting favoured the addition of two new trebles to the eight at Portsmouth Cathedral. The suggestion is to be forwarded to the general secretary.

A request for an instructor to teach a few local gentlemen at Sparsholt was received, and it was decided to hold a practice meeting at this tower on November 6th.

Another suggestion was a notice to all tower secretaries giving details of ringing throughout the week, with a request that it be placed on the notice board for the convenience of visiting ringers.

## BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION CHEW DEANERY.

A well-attended practice meeting, held at Weston-in-Gordano on September 18th, was notable for the excellence of the striking and the variety of methods. In all, some 16 were rung, ranging from Grand-sire Doubles to Surprise.

A splendid tea was provided free of charge by the local band. Towers represented were Clapton-in-Gordano, Nailsea, Kingston Seymour, Tickenham, Portishead, Wrington, Marksbury, Bristol, Yatton, Worle, Locking, Abbot's Leigh, Publow and Weston-in-Gordano.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

OBITUARY

Canterbury District's Defence

Dear Sir,—Mr. W. Bottrill's study of the historical surveys of the great ringing associations has led him to form the opinion that the Canterbury District of Kent should be condemned, as the members are no longer capable of the duties which they have for so many years been trusted with.

As I have been a member of the district for about 48 years and am therefore one of the condemned, I should like to point out a spot which probably will be omitted from the study. The crack ringers mentioned applied for many of the district towers recently, and according to reports these were very kindly granted them for their use and pleasure—not one single penny was asked for steepleage—11 peals were scored, one peal lost. It must be outstanding to anyone that great care must have been given by someone in all those towers to help in the success achieved, and these were the Canterbury District men.

The question to me now arises, 'What of the future?' When applications are received and all our glamour boys are dumped as unfit for further service, who are we to look to for that great care of the bells?

Turning to the page where the black spots have appeared, I am afraid that no words of mine can alter the serious position that any man places himself in who chooses to abuse 200 ringers who are engaged in the sacred work of the church bells in 51 towers.

CHARLES TURNER,  
Captain of St. Mary's Ringers, Dover.

METHOD RECORDING BY MACHINE

Dear Sir,—It was interesting to read the letter by A. J. C. in a recent issue of 'The Ringing World' re Mr. Woodhouse's ringing machine and its versatility in printing diagrams of methods by pen attachment and I congratulate Mr. Woodhouse on its achievement, which reminds me of the ringing machine designed and made many years ago by the late John Carter, and later presented by him to the Science Museum, South Kensington, where it still is.

I remember this machine 40 years ago and saw it in operation many times. It was worked by a small electric motor which was driven by a small gas engine and my job was to attend to the engine, which at times gave a considerable amount of trouble, as many did in those days.

This machine, named 'The Campanamutophone,' was also adapted for printing diagrams of any desired method on a paper roll; it was also fitted with an attachment which printed the full figures of a method or the course-ends only as they were rung. 'Calls,' such as Bob or Single, were made by pressing a button at the correct moment, and I believe John Carter's machine was the first designed to do this work. A good description of this machine was printed in 'The Model Engineer,' March 5th, 1925; also another good description in Mr. Ernest Morris' 'History and Art of Ringing,' page 549.

I am not detracting in the least Mr. Woodhouse's wonderful machine, which many would like to see and hear, and I am hoping that facilities will be more readily available in the near future for demonstrations of these two ringing machines.

ALBERT WALKER.  
Birmingham 28.

Purpose of Sunday Ringing

Dear Sir,—Since a small band of ringers, whoever they are, and wherever they come from, have found cause to denounce the licensing laws, may I ask them what purpose burns within their hearts as they converge on their village church or cathedral belfry on a Sunday morning? (Dare I say evenings, too?)

Is it that they are churchmen and have a duty to perform—similar to that of sidesmen or choirmen—before joining in the service of God? Or is it for the purpose of a Sunday practice at campanology, quite apart from its religious objective? Or, finally, do they foster that quaint idea that they have helped to 'bring' people to church by their ringing and are, therefore, deserving of a refresher? — Yours faithfully,  
Leicestershire, 'OLD CROSS.'

REFORM WANTED

Dear Sir,—'Reform is wanted,' of that there is no doubt, but not so much in the licensing laws as in the ringing circles of some famous bands. What more scandalous position is there than when ringers leave the church for either coffee or strong drink just when those people they have called have just entered for service? Surely after service is time for that. —Yours faithfully,  
W. J. PARKER.  
Sandhurst, Berks.

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BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY

BARTON-ON-HUMBER.

At the cordial invitation of the Vicar (the Rev. Gordon Sylvester) and local ringers, the Society held their monthly meeting at Barton-on-Humber, Lincs, on September 11th. The many members who travelled by bus, ferry boat and train to attend were well rewarded by having access to two delightful rings of bells—St. Peter's (8), tenor 10 cwt., and St. Mary's (8), tenor 16 cwt.

A good touch of Stedman Triples preceded the service at St. Peter's, which was conducted by the Vicar, who used the Society's own form of service. He gave an inspiring address.

A meat tea was provided in the Institute and over 40 did full justice to the fare. The president (Mr. G. Williams) took the chair for the business meeting, supported by the Ringing Master, vice-president and committee.

Mr. Albert E. Sellers reported on the August meeting at Bridlington, and forthcoming meetings announced were Middleton-on-the-Wolds, October 9th, and Market Weighton in November. Mr. Lister expressed the thanks of the meeting to the Vicar, organist and local ringers, and Mr. W. Goddard, on behalf of the last named, said they were always pleased to welcome the Society. Mr. and Mrs. H. Easter were elected members.

Ringing included courses of Double Norwich and St. Clement's Court Bob Major. All agreed that the meeting had been a happy reunion of Lincolnshire and Yorkshire ringers.

GEORGE PESTELL BURTON.

It is with regret we record the sudden death on September 21st of George Pestell Burton, at his home at Old Catton, near Norwich. Mr. Burton was 73 years of age, and for the greater part of his life was closely identified with ringing at St. Peter Mancroft, to which church he gave signal service.

It was solely by his efforts, during part of the time he was Master of Mancroft Guild, that the 13th bell was added, and he was the driving force in the heavy job of creating a new company when the Guild, the successor of the old Norwich Scholars, was started in 1907. In the same year he became hon. auditor to the Norwich Association, an office he continued to hold until his death, and from 1908 to 1920 was also one of the representatives to the Central Council. During these many years he gave valued help and advice to successive secretaries, who appreciated his sound judgment.

Although not a prolific peal ringer—his record for the Norwich Association was 54 on tower and handbells—he was skilful and safe in all he did. In early manhood he lived for a time at Burton-on-Trent, and there rang with the expert company at St. Paul's a good many peals in, at that time, the comparatively rare complex methods.

With his younger brother John and the late J. A. Trollope—all at school together—they started Minor ringing on a set of home-made handbells, and after scoring a 5,000, obtained the help of others of similar age. This band rapidly scored peals from Triples to Royal, including 11,200 of Bob Major, at that time the record length 'in hand.' This was perhaps the most enjoyable part of his ringing life, for either tower or handbells were going at all times of the day or night.

Mr. Burton was a keen churchman, and for some years had been warden at St. John's, Maddermarket, and was also a member of the Norfolk and Norwich Archaeological Society. It was his love for things of past days that prompted him to select, for larger business premises, an old Norwich posting inn. This was only the width of the street from the west face of the tower of Mancroft, and in its former days had seen performances of masques and plays by the old strolling players.

To his intimates he was known to be as steadfast as a rock, and one whose integrity was beyond question.

The funeral was at Old Catton Church on Friday last, and the sympathy of all old friends goes out to Mrs. Burton and their two sons. C.E.B.

OUTING

ST. PETER'S, DUNSTABLE.

Five towers in Bucks and Berks were visited on September 18th by ringers of St. Peter's, Dunstable, together with friends from Barking, Luton, Leighton Buzzard and Woburn.

The first tower was West Wycombe, with its handy eight and stiff climb from the road; then came Stoke Poges, in which the company was joined by local ringers, and after lunch at Maidenhead good touches were rung at Old Windsor. Good striking was enjoyed at Wokingham Parish Church, and after tea permission was received and the company welcomed by the Vicar at Twyford. Here some of the best ringing of the day took place, including Superlative, Cambridge, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Plain Bob, Stedman and Grandsire Triples.



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## QUARTER PEALS

**BURFORD, OXON.**—On Sept. 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. Soden 1, E. J. Hill 2, J. W. Dixon 3, G. H. Wright 4, B. S. Nichols 5, T. W. Timms (first in method as cond.) 6, W. J. Dixon 7, T. J. H. Prince 8.

**BOURNEMOUTH.**—On Sept. 12th, at St. John's, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: B. Gould (first quarter) 1, G. Evenden (first as cond.) 2, M. Best (first of Grandsire 'inside') 3, M. Routh 4, Miss D. Gould 5, J. Crouch (Reigate) 6, A. Butler 7, H. Mitchell 8.

**CANTERBURY.**—At the Cathedral, on Aug. 3rd, 1,331 Grandsire Caters: C. Buesden 1, G. French 2, Miss Brenda Philpott 3, W. F. Jenkins 4, J. Unwin 5, S. Walter 6, F. R. Weller (first on ten as cond.) 7, F. A. Wells 8, B. J. Luck 9, H. R. French 10. First in method by 1, 2, 3, 6 and 7.

**CHESTER.**—At the Cathedral on Sept. 12th, 1,260 Erin Triples: P. Swindley 1, J. W. Best 2, J. S. Webb 3, F. H. Birks 4, H. O. Baker 5, A. B. Close 6, J. W. Griffiths (cond.) 7, T. Griffiths 8. First in the method by all.

**CHISLEHURST, KENT.**—At the Church of the Annunciation on Sept. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Chris. R. Packer (age 12, first of Triples) 1, John H. Arlet (age 14) 2, Miss E. M. Sills 3, John L. Morris (age 12, first as conductor) 4, R. S. Goodchild 5, R. L. Sills 6, F. C. W. Knight 7, E. Wingfield 8.

**CRADLEY, WORCS.**—On Sept. 12th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss F. Raybould 1, Miss H. Bloomer 2, A. Grove 3, A. G. Hall 4, A. Wyre 5, R. Dunn 6, H. J. Shuck (cond.) 7, J. Griffiths 8. First in method 2 and 8.

**GRAVELEY, HERTS.**—On Sept. 11th, 2,520 Minor (720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and 360 Plain Bob): A. E. Symonds 1, G. Cherry 2, L. Fidler 3, E. W. Winters 4, T. H. Townsend 5, F. W. Croft (cond.) 6. To celebrate the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Townsend.

**ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.**—At All Saints' on Sept. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. B. Thirst 1, Sheila E. Harris 2, Eileen D. Farrell (first in method) 3, S. Croft 4, D. J. Charnley 5, H. W. Rogers (cond.) 6, F. Hopgood 7, E. J. White 8.

**KILKHAMPTON, CORNWALL.**—On Sept. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. E. Bissatt 1, Mrs. F. E. Collins 2, C. E. Taylor (first on eight) 3, A. J. Hicks 4, C. Sangwin 5, G. Skinner 6, F. E. Collins (cond.) 7, F. Sangwin 8. First quarter-peal on the bells.

**LONDON.**—On Sept. 5th, at St. Giles-in-the-Field, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: G. E. Begrie 1, A. W. J. Appleton 2, E. W. Rowe (first quarter in the method 'inside') 3, F. A. Barker 4, G. A. Parsons 5, W. H. Seabrook 6, R. H. Begrie (cond.) 7, J. Clifford 8.

**SOUTHGATE, MIDDLESEX.**—On Aug. 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: A. H. Russell 1, Miss M. Prockson 2, H. Belcher 3, M. V. Chilcott 4, S. Wade 5, R. W. Green 6, J. Thomas 7, J. Phillips 8, R. F. Deal 9, J. E. Chilcott (cond.) 10. First of Royal for 1 and 2.

**STOKE POGES, BUCKS.**—On Aug. 17th, 1,260 Cambridge Surprise Major: Mrs. A. D. Barker 1, J. B. Ford 2, A. D. Barker (cond.) 3, G. Martin 4, E. E. Gosling 5, W. Welling 6, G. Swift 7, W. L. Gutteridge 8. First of Surprise by 2 and 5. Also 16th birthday 2.

**SWINDON, WILTS.**—On Sept. 5th, at Christ Church, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: F. Wilton (first of Triples) 1, Miss M. E. Richards 2, Miss B. E. Ll. Roberts (first 'inside') 3, C. J. Gardiner (cond.) 4, S. Palmer 5, J. Berry 6, W. W. Daniell 7, E. Vincent 8.

**WESTON UNDERWOOD, BUCKS.**—At the Church of St. Lawrence on Sept. 4th, a quarter-noon of Kent Treble Bob Minor: E. Shouler 1, F. Boswell 2, F. Mynard, sen. 3, V. Adams 4, F. Mynard, jun. 5, M. Cook (first of Treble Bob as cond.) 6. First of Treble Bob by 1, 4 and 6. For the wedding of Mr. G. Grace, Wolverton, and Miss Betty Digby, and a golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Fisher, of Olney.

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## BIRTH

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## MARRIAGE

**EDWARDS—CROSSLEY-BOYNE.**—On Saturday, Sept. 25th, 1948, at Woodgreen Congregational Church, Leafeld, Derby, Ronald Michael Edwards, A.M.E., to Elesia Julia Crossley-Boyne, M.A., L.R.A.M. 4099

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## MEETINGS

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—Annual general meeting at Tonbridge, Oct. 2nd, at 3. Service 4.45. Tea 5.15. 4064

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern District.—Meeting at Finchingfield (8) on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business. Names for tea, please, to F. W. J. Roper, Crest Lodge, Spains Hall, Finchingfield, Braintree.—H. A. Pratt, Hon. Dis. Sec. 4114

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—S.W. Division.—Quarterly meeting at Thorpe Bay (8) on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells available 3 till 4.30 p.m., followed by service, tea and business meeting. Prittlewell (10) from 6.30 p.m. till 8.30 p.m.—F. V. Gant, 3, Central Drive, Hornchurch. 4068

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—Annual meeting, Canterbury, Saturday Oct. 2nd. St. Alphege's (6), St. Dunstan's (6) available from 2.30. Service, St. Dunstan's, 4.15, followed by tea and business meeting.—B. J. Luck, 20, Beaconsfield Road, Canterbury. 4079

**ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.**—Quarterly meeting at Edgbaston Parish Church on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service in church 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting.—T. H. Reeves, Hon. Sec. 4085

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—Next meeting, Bell Foundry, Whitechapel, Oct. 2nd, 3 p.m. Ringing at St. Dunstan's, Stepney, 4.30 p.m. 311th anniversary dinner will be held at Pimm's Restaurant, Bishopsgate, Saturday, Nov. 13th. Particulars later.—A. B. Peck, 1, Eversfield Road, Reigate. 4101

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Eastern Division.—Meeting at Ingatstone (6), Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Fryerning (6) available 7 to 9 p.m. 4099

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Cambridge District.—Sawston (8), Saturday, Oct. 2nd, 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea at 5 p.m. (provided).—H. L. Martin, District Sec. 4127

**GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.**—N.E. Branch.—Meeting, Calverleigh, Oct. 2nd. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15. Tea 4.45. Names early to C. G. Dymond, Silverton. 4129

**HEREFORD GUILD.**—Bromyard District.—Combined practice, Bromyard, Oct. 2nd, Stoke Lacey, Oct. 30th, at 5 p.m.—A. Tomkins. 4130

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Oxhey (8) (adjoining Bushey Station, L.M.S. and Bakerloo), Saturday, Oct. 2nd, 3 p.m. Service 5. Tea 5.30.—S. Hoare, 56, Acme Road, Watford. 4121

**SOUTHWELL GUILD.**—Nottingham District.—Meeting, Cotgrave (6), Saturday, Oct. 2nd, 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. 4134

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION** and **OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD** (East Berks and South Bucks Branch).—Joint meeting, St. John's, Hillingdon (10), Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Social evening from 7.30 p.m. 4120

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—V.W.H. Branch.—Autumn meeting, Hinton Waldrist (6), Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30.—R. Gilling, Fernham, Faringdon. 4131

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—Ipswich District.—Meeting at Henley (8) on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells 2.30. Tea 5. Bring own food and dry tea.—Edward G. Ellenger, Hon. Dis. Sec. 4104

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern District.—Quarterly meeting, Holy Trinity, Hull (10), on Oct. 2nd. Bells available till 9 p.m. Business meeting 2.30, followed by short service at 3.15. Meat tea (3s. 6d. each) in the Young People's Institute, George Street.—H. S. Morley, 28, Church Hill, Selby. 4103

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—Saxmundham District.—Meeting, Kelsale (8), Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells 3. Tea in cafe 2s. 3d. each.—W. Smith, District Sec. 4143

**SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—Practice meeting, Horsham (8), Saturday, Oct. 2nd, 3.30 p.m. Tea at Wakefields.—G. T. Jennings, 5, Malthouse Road, Crawley. 4173

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Syston District.—Dedication of Birstall bells, augmented to a ring of eight. A hearty welcome to all friends and ringers, Tuesday, Oct. 5th, 8 p.m. 4146

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Maidstone District.—Annual district meeting, Maidstone, Saturday, Oct. 9th. All Saints' bells 2.30. Tea, Herbert's Cafe, Bank Street, 4.15, followed by business meeting. Evensong 6 p.m. Names, punctually, please, to Dr. E. S. J. Hatcher, Kimmeridge, Ditton, Kent. 4114

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.** — Banbury Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Steeple Aston (6), Saturday, Oct. 9th. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.45. Please notify by Oct. 5th.—E. Pearson, Adderbury West, Banbury.

**OXFORD GUILD.**—South Oxon District.—Quarterly meeting, Benson, Oxon. (8 bells), Saturday, Oct. 9th, 3 p.m. Service 4. Tea and meeting afterwards. Names for tea by Oct. 5th to H. Badger, 1, Chiltern Grove, Thame, Oxon. 4118

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.** — N.E. Division. — Meeting at Great Bromley (6), Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify Rev. J. Ransome, The Rectory, Great Bromley, by the 6th. — H. J. Millatt, District Sec., Colchester. 4090

**DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION (Chesterfield District) and SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Joint meeting, Norton, Oct. 9th, 3 p.m. Cups of tea arranged for, bring food. All welcome.—G. Briggs and H. Chaddock, Hon. Secs. 4137

**THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—Annual dinner, Oct. 9th, at Old Bell Restaurant, Holborn, 6.30 p.m. Ringing at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields 3 to 5 p.m. Service 5.15. Tickets still available. Last day for receiving applications, Oct. 2nd. Please send remittance (12s. 6d. each) when applying to G. W. Steere, 46, Milton Avenue, Sutton, Surrey. 4122

**OXFORD GUILD.** — Reading Branch. — Autumn meeting, Shiplake (8), Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Followed by tea (2s. 6d.). Names by 6th to P. E. Hart, Assistant Secretary, 90, Addison Road, Reading. 4147

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Crewkerne Deanery.—Quarterly meeting at Barrington (6) on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5. Notice for tea essential by Tuesday, Oct. 5th, to J. T. Locke, School Street, Drayton, Taunton. 4148

**BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.** — Meeting, Middleton-on-Wolds, Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4. Tea (2s. 6d.) for all who notify Mr. E. Dooks, Station Road, Middleton-on-Wolds, near Driffield, not later than Wednesday, Oct. 6th. 4149

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rochdale Branch.—Next meeting will be at Cross Stone, Todmorden, on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bring own food.—I. Kay. 4150

**DURHAM & NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.** —Eastern District.—Gateshead, Saturday, Oct. 9th, 2.30. Names for tea to Mr. P. E. Johnson, 45, Watt Street, Bensham, Gateshead 8, by 7th.—W. F. Sheraton, Sec. 4153

**OXFORD GUILD.** — Newbury Branch. — Bucklebury (8), Saturday, Oct. 9th, 3 p.m. Service 4.45. Tea 5.30. Names to Miss Davis, Bucklebury Village, Reading, by Oct. 6th. 4157

**SUFFOLK GUILD.** — Sudbury District. — Meeting at Cavendish (6), Saturday, Oct. 9th, 3 p.m. Pentlon (5) available in afternoon. Tea 5 p.m. at Tudor Guest House if sufficient names are received by Wednesday, Oct. 6th. Notify A. A. Fitch, 7, Croft Road, Sudbury, Suffolk. 4158

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Leicester District.—Aylestone (8), Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5 for those notifying Mr. F. E. Wilson, 98, Evesham Road, Leicester, by Wednesday, Oct. 6th.—W. J. Root, Dis. Sec. 4165

**PETERBOROUGH GUILD.** — Kettering Branch. — Quarterly, Orlingbury, Oct. 9th. Bells (5) 3 p.m. Bring food.—G. E. Watson, 81, Church Street, Burton Latimer. 4161

**TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.** — Penzance Branch. — Autumn meeting, Carbis Bay (8), Oct. 9th. Service 4.30. Tea. Lelant (6) also.—Rev. A. S. Roberts, Carbis Bay. 4164

**EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.**—Penhurst (8), Oct. 9th, 3. Tea 5. Names by Oct. 7th.—C. A. Bassett, 3, Pendrill Place, Wadhurst, Tunbridge Wells. 4167

**SOUTHWELL GUILD.** — North Notts Branch.—Meeting at Harworth (6), Saturday, Oct. 9th. Please take own tea.—H. Denman. 4168

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Syston District.—Meeting, Billesdon (6), Oct. 9th. Service 4.30. Names for tea, please, to Mr. J. G. Geary, 1, Leicester Road, Billesdon, by Wednesday, Oct. 6th latest.—H. Morton, Dis. Sec.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.** — Meeting at St. Matthew's, Mount Pleasant Lane, Upper Clapton, on Saturday, Oct. 9th, at 2 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., tea and business to follow. Church near Clapton (ex-L.N.E.R.) Station.—T. J. Lock, N. and E. District Sec. 4166

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Deanery Branch. — Meeting, Portishead, Oct. 9th. Bells 3. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting 5.—Percy G. Yeo, Long Ashton. 4183

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.** — Wigan Branch.—Meeting, St. Peter's, Hindley, Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells (8) available 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Will all those requiring tea please advise Mr. H. S. Cooper, 70, Atherton Road, Hindley, by Oct. 5th?—L. J. Burns.

**LEICESTER GUILD.**—Market Harborough District.—Saddington, Oct. 9th, 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5, Saddington Hall. Names by Oct. 5th to L. W. Allen, Great Glenn. 4185

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—Meeting, Coaley (6), Oct. 9th, 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Numbers for tea by Oct. 5th to Miss D. M. Drew, Bibstone Farm, Cromhall. 4170

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Hinckley District. — Thurlaston, Oct. 9th. Bells (6) 3. Service 4 to 4.30. Cups of tea 5 o'clock.—F. Measures, Hon. Sec. 4171

**SUFFOLK GUILD.** — General meeting at Mildenhall (10), Oct. 9th, 2.30 p.m. For tea (5 p.m.) notify Mr. P. Fordham, 8, Kingsway, Mildenhall. Private coach leaves St. Margaret's, Ipswich, 1.30 p.m. Book seats early through C. W. Pipe, Grundisburgh. 4172

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bedford District.—Meeting at Biddenham (6) on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 in Village Hall.—P. L. Gilbert, Hon. District Sec. 4174

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.**—Bath Branch. — Quarterly meeting, Freshford, Oct. 9th. Bells (5) 3. Service 4.30. Notification for tea essential by 6th to S. S. Woodburn, Manor Lodge, Weston, Bath. 4175

**CUMBERLAND AND NORTH WESTMORLAND ASSOCIATION.** — Quarterly business meeting, All Saints' Church, Cockermouth, Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells (8) available 2.30. Meeting 4.—M. Johnston, Secretary. 4176

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northwich Branch.—Meeting, Middlewich (8), Oct. 9th, 2.30. Names for tea by Oct. 4th to Harry Howard, 5, Green Lane, Davenham, Northwich. 4178

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Frome Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Beckington, Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5. Names for tea to E. H. Nash, Hon. Sec., The Talbot, Mells. 4179

**SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION.** — Half-yearly meeting at St. John's, Alloa, Saturday, Oct. 9th. Ringing commences 2.30 p.m. 4180

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Lancaster Branch.—Meeting at Burton-in-Lonsdale, Oct. 9th. Bells (6) available 2.30. Bring own food. Cups of tea provided.—J. Skeats, Branch Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.** — Preston Branch.—Meeting at Whittle-le-Woods, Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Bring own food. Cups of tea provided.—L. Walmsley, 5, School Lane, Leyland. 4187

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.** — Furness and Lake District Branch.—Practice meeting at Bowness Parish Church on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells (8) available 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to F. Wilson, Woodside, Bank Road, Windermere, Westmorland.—N. M. Newby, Branch Sec. 4190

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—St. Luke's, Chelsea (10), Oct. 9th, 3. Tea 4.45. Humphreys, Kings Road, opposite Gaumont (names early). Business 5.45, Church Hall, Fulham (10) or Battersea (8), 7 p.m.—H. W. Rogers, 14, The Grove, Isleworth. 4196

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—Next meeting at Bacup St. Saviour on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells 3 p.m. Meeting 6. Cups of tea, bring own food. Everybody welcome.—J. Porter, Branch Sec. 4189

**LADIES' GUILD and LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.** — Lincoln District. — Joint meeting, Basingham (6), Oct. 9th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea for those who notify J. Freeman, 95, Sincil Bank, Lincoln, by the Tuesday previous.—A. Richardson and J. Freeman, Hon. Secs. 4188

**BARNSELY DISTRICT SOCIETY.**—Meeting, East Ardsley, near Wakefield, Oct. 9th. Bells 3. Those requiring teas must notify Mr. Watson, 47, Bradford Road, East Ardsley, near Wakefield, not later than Oct. 6th.—D. Smith, Hon. Sec. 4191

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Grappenhall Branch. — Meeting, Runcorn, Oct. 9th. Advise Mr. Hughes, 18, Cynthia Road, Runcorn, if requiring tea by 6th.—John E. Ashcroft.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Branch.—Meeting at Halewood (8) on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells open 2.30. Tea (1s. 6d.) at 4.30 in Derby Arms. Names for tea must be sent to Mr. J. Robinson, Halewood Farm, Halewood, near Liverpool, before Wednesday, Oct. 6th.—P. W. Cave, Hon. Sec., 3, The Rooley, Huyton, Liverpool. 4197

**LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Festival, Oct. 16th, at Lancaster Hall. Assemblée 5.30 for dinner at 6, entertainment 7.30, dancing 9.30 to 11.45. Tickets 10s. each (entertainment and dance only 3s. 6d.). Apply early, with remittance, Miss J. Poole, 150, Narborough Road South, Leicester. Ringing details: All Saints' (6), 10.30 to 12 2 to 4.30; St. John's (10), 11 to 12.30; Belgrave (8), 1.45 to 3. 3.30 to 4.15; Cathedral (12), 2 to 4.30; St. Margaret's (12), 1.30 to 2.30, 3 to 4.30. 4111

**BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.** — Taunton Branch. — Meeting, Pitminster (6), Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5.—A. H. Reed, Hon. Sec. 4156

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Rochester District.—Annual meeting at Frindsbury (8) on Saturday, Oct. 16th. Ringing from 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting in Parish Hall. Rochester Cathedral (10) and Chatham (8) available after meeting. Names for tea not later than Tuesday, Oct. 12th, to B. W. May, Keithston, Keycol Hill, Sittingbourne. 4155

**PETERBOROUGH GUILD.** — Wellingborough Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Finedon, Oct. 16th. Service 4.15. Names for tea.—A. Bigley, 30, Allen Road, Irthlingborough.

**SUFFOLK GUILD.**—Mildenhall District.—Meeting at Exning, Oct. 16th, 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Ringing in the evening at Newmarket. Requests for tea to arrive by Oct. 13th.—D. M. Reeve, Hockwold, Thetford, Norfolk. 4169

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.** — The annual dinner will be held at the Old Rectifying House, North Parade, Worcester, on Saturday, Oct. 16th, at 5.45 p.m. Tickets, 6s. each, obtainable until Monday, Oct. 11th, from branch and general secretaries. Bells available: Cathedral (12) and All Saints' (front six) 3-5 p.m.—J. D. Johnson, Gen. Sec., Sedgeberrow, Evesham, Worcs. 4184

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.** — Bicester Branch.—Meeting at Islip (6), Saturday, Oct. 16th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting afterwards. Kirtlington (8) available in evening. For tea please notify F. Sharpe, Derwen, Launton, Bicester, Oxfordshire. 4193

**GULDFORD GUILD.**—Guildford District.—Meeting, Chiddingfold Saturday, Oct. 16th. Arrangements as usual. Service 4.30. Tea at the Swan Hotel. Those requiring tea must send name and numbers to Mr. A. J. Bartlett, The Forge, Chiddingfold.—A. C. Hazelden, District Secretary. 4163

**UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY.** — Annual meeting, Oct. 16th. St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, 2.30. St. Luke's, Chelsea, 7. Names for tea to V. J. Benning, 15, Fremantle Road, Belvedere. First practice, St. Stephen s, Hampstead, Oct. 11th, 6.30. 4181

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