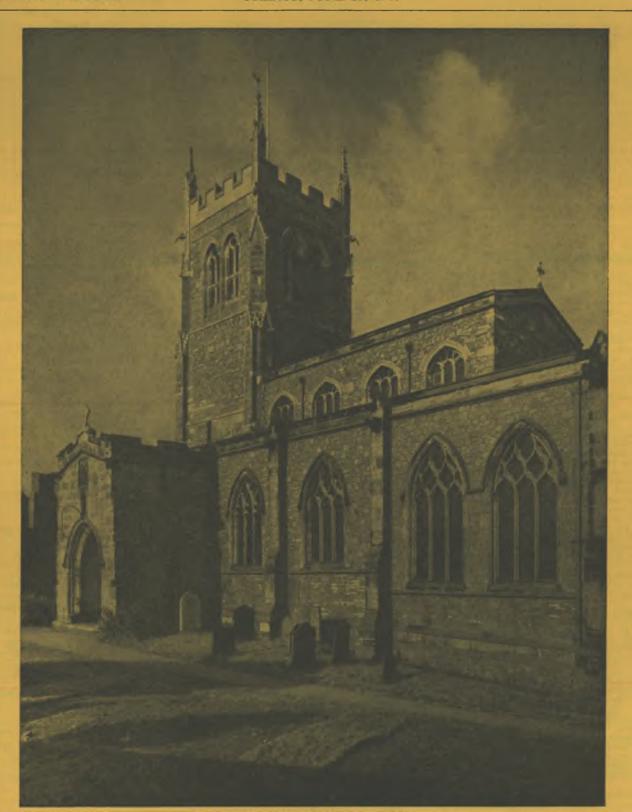
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# COMMENT

DARE YOU?

THE time is fast approaching when hordes of enthusiastic ringers will invade other towers on their annual outings. The value of of enthusiastic ringers will invade other towers on their annual outings. The value of these excursions to the individuals taking part will no doubt vary from one person to the next. I suspect, however, that the value to the towers visited is usually nil. Be that as it may, the alternative which I am about to suggest can only appeal to the young ringers for two reasons. Firstly, the time element will preclude those who must earn their daily bread; and secondly it requires that enthusiasm which belongs only to youth.

Dare you, then, accept this challenge—to set out this summer and either teach some ringers for a silent tower or teach a few extra ringers for your own tower? You must, of course, know how to teach basic handling; but in my own tower we have two young people who regularly teach others, so this knowledge ought already to be yours, too!

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Any venture of this sort would be undertaken on bells with tied clappers and you must at all times act with responsibility, being aware of the injury which could befall the learner and tutor, and also the damage which could be caused to the bell and its fittings.

If you are still keen and interested (as I hope some of you will be) how best to set about it? Should the venture be local, approach the incumbent of the silent tower and your own tower captain. The latter must give his approval before you start teaching more ringers for your local band and it will help if he will back any negotiations you make to teach ringers for a silent tower. In the case of the silent tower the local incumbent can usually find lots of young people who would like to learn the art. There is also the possibility that you may get permission to camp, either in tents or, say, the Church Hall, in some seaside or country village. Should this idea appeal, do get in touch with the local ringing organisations, as a little tact will go ringing organisations, as a little tact will go a long way.

a long way.

Having settled the general details, make your "rules" and stick to them. For example, suppose you are working in groups of three to six tutors, decide how many pupils you can control per session (no more than two pupils to one teacher, perhaps), how long each session will last and how many sessions per day. Make these details known at the outset and adhere to them rigidly! Should any cleaning be necessary in the tower where the bells have been rung infrequently, try to inspire the learners to clean it before starting to teach. I am convinced that a well-maintained belfry usually contains a well-maintained band.

Use all the aids to teaching you can muster.

tained band.

Use all the aids to teaching you can muster. Take all your books on ringing as advertisement and be sure to take along "The Ringing World" for your learners to see. Records of bells and tape recordings are invaluable here; if the recording is of good striking, emphasise this, and if the striking is bad or indifferent use it to illustrate where the bad blows are being made and why. The most important thing to let your learners see is enthusiasm and what a joyful task bellringing really can be.

can be.

If possible try to follow up the idea by supporting (or leading) practices at the new tower. It will make interesting reading if, when you have tried this venture, you write to "The Ringing World" telling the results of your work. Remember, ten men achieved something on these lines in America and, whilst they had a wealth of experience, they did not perhaps all (figuratively speaking) have that cherished possession, youth.

LIZ QUIRK.

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NEW QUARTER STARTING
The issue of June 30th is the last of
the present quarter. Now is the
time to enrol as a postal subscriber.
Send your subscriptions to: Mr. J. E. Jeater, Greystones, Cusgarne, Truro, Cornwall. Particulars in Column 3 on this page.

### OUR PICTURE SILEBY PARISH CHURCH, **LEICESTERSHIRE**

By REV. R. J. HUNTING

THE Parish Church of Sileby, Leicestershire, dedicated to the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, was founded about c. 1150 by Robert Bossu, Eearl of Leicester, who also founded about that time the Augustinian Abbey of Leicester, some six miles from the village.

The church was enlarged to its present mas-The church was enlarged to its present massive structure in the next century by its patron, Baron Nicholas de Segrave, who fought by the side of Simon de Montfort at the Battle of Evesham in 1265 and, during the Eighth Crusade, captured Nazareth. Patrons of the church have been distinguished soldiers, statesmen and the Earl Marshal of England. The record of incumbents begins c. 1220.

PARTICULARS OF THE BELLS Treble: Weight 4 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb. Diam. 28 in. 1945.

Second: Weight 5 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lb. Diam. 30 in. 1945.

At the close of the Second World War £356 was donated by the parishioners for the purchase of the two bells, made by John Taylor and Co.

Third: Weight 6½ cwt. Diam. 33½ in. 1934. In 1934, £127 was raised to restore the belfry and add another bell. Inscribed "O Prosper Thou our handywork," it was made by John Taylor and Co.

Fourth: Weight (approx.) 10 cwt. Diam.
in. 1745.
It is inscribed "In honorem gylielmi eybriae aycis rebelles Scotos victricibys armis debellantis 1745." Donated by the villagers after the defeat of the Scots by William Duke of Cumberland.

Fifth: Weight (approx.) 12 cwt. Diam.

The oldest bell in the tower, inscribed "Jesvs be ovr Spede," it was made by George Oldfield of Nottingham at the close of the 16th century.

Sixth: Weight (approx.) 13 cwt. Diam.

41 in. 1622.

It bears the Latin inscription "Celorym Chrste Platiat Tibi Rex Sonvs Iste 1622," that is,

"O Christ the King of Heaven,
Be pleased when this sound in given."

Seventh: Weight (approx.) 18 cwt. Diam.

46 in. 1707-8.

After a century and a half, when the

church was served only by curates, the parish gave this bell to mark the return of a Vicar to the church. It is inscribed "Henry Penn made mee, 1707-8."

Tenor: Weight 22 cwt. 2 qr. in E flat.
Diam. 50 in. 1622.
This bell has the Latin inscription,
"Cvm Sono Si Non Vis Venire
Nynqvam as Precse Cvpies Ire."
"If you are unwilling when to prayer
I call,
You are not willing to come at all W

I call,
You are not willing to come at all."
The tenor and the sixth bells were made in 1622 by Hugh Watts of Leicester. Hugh was churchwarden at St. Margaret's in 1615, and Mayor of Leicester in 1633.

An interesting advertisement appeared in the "Leicester Chronicle": "TO RINGERS, To be rung for at Sileby. Leicestershire, on Tuesday, May 28th, 1822, FIVE HATS and TEN SHILLINGS for the second set. No less than three sets to ring, and each set to ring three separate hundreds. Umpires will be provided."

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In 1967, our young group of handbell enthusiasts. "The St. Mary Ringers" are widely known and have weekly engagements all over the county. Part of their repertoire from the film "The Sound of Music" was heard on the B.B.C. Home Service recently.

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#### CENTRAL COUNCIL — Continued



The front row at Nottingham listening to the welcome from the Lord Mayor (Councillor A. F. Roberts). From left to right: R. S. Anderson (convener "The Ringing World" Committee), J. Frank Smallwood (life member), J. W. Cotton (Midland Counties Guild), B. G. Warwick, Shirley Burton and J. M. Jelley (Leicester Diocesan Guild), S. J. Ivin (Oxford University Society), Rev. J. G. W. Scott (Guild of Devonshire Ringers), Frederick Sharpe (convener Towers and Belfries Committee), W. G. Wilson, H. W. Rogers, Mrs. H. W. Rogers and A. D. Barker (all London County Association) and E. J. Franklin (Railwaymen's Guild).

[Photo by courtesy of "Nottingham Guardian and Journal."

# KENT, THE LEADING COUNTY FOR PEAL RINGING

### Peals Analysis Committee's Report

THE year 1966 showed an unexpected decrease in the number of peals rung, for, according to our records, tower bell peals are down 183 to 3,039, with handbell peals up by 14, with 287, giving a total of 3,326.

This does not include five peals for the Salisbury Guild, rung in July/August and published in "The Ringing World" of March 3rd; nor two reals sent to "The Ringing World" on March 13th, though rung in December. We wonder why there is such a slackness about! Is it that it takes all this time to decide whether they were rung well enough or what?

We do not publish "League" tables, but here is the position attained in the annual list; and it will be noticed that congratulations are due to the Kent County Association for their continued efforts which have brought their reward.

The first ten places are filled as follows:-

	Tower	Handbell	Total
Kent County	172	35	207
Yorkshire Asso	200	_	200
Oxford D. (1 in 1965)	199		200
Chester Guild	150	33	183
Lancashire Asso.	160	19	179
Lincoin Guild	116	27	143
Leicester Guild	112	22	134
Bath and Wells	128	-	128
Southwell Guild	116	7	123
Essex Asso	104	_	104
These ten rang 48.13	per ce	ent of the	total.

The analysis breaks down as follows:-**TOWER** 

	1966	1965	
Maximus	88	89	1
Cinques	59	62	- 3
Royai	226	193	+33
Caters	0.5	104	- 9
3.4-1	1,272	1,363	-91
Training 1	184	248	-64
3.41	03(1	886	-594
		274	
Doubles	286½		+121
Minimus	2	3	- 1
	2.020	2.000	103
	3,039	3,222	-183
HAN	NDBELLS		
HAN	NDBELLS 1966	1965	
HAN Maximus		1965	+12
Maximus	1966		+12 + 5
Maximus	1966 15	3	
Maximus Cinques Royal	1966 15 5	3	+ 5 +25
Maximus Cinques	1966 15 5 38 14	3 13 4	+ 5 +25 +10
Maximus Cinques Royal Major	1966 15 5 38 14 125	$\frac{3}{13}$	+ 5 +25 +10 +29
Maximus Cinques Royal Caters Major Triples	1966 15 5 38 14 125 6	3 13 4 96 9	+ 5 +25 +10 +29 - 3
Maximus Cinques Conques Conques Conques Caters Major Triples Minor	1966 15 5 38 14 125 6 75	3 13 4 96 9	+ 5 +25 +10 +29 - 3 56
Maximus Cinques Royal Caters Major Triples Minor Doubles	1966 15 5 38 14 125 6	3 13 4 96 9 131 17	+ 5 +25 +10 +29 - 3 -56 - 8
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Outstanding performances must include the magnificent performance of ringing Liverpool tenor single-handed for Maximus by Peter Border; together with the excellent co-operation of the other back-enders; the 3 peals of Stedman Cinques rung simultaneously by the College Youths—organisation as well as ringing strength; the raising of the record number of Minor methods on tower bells by the Essex Association and the Suffolk Guild; the Stedman Cinques record by the St. Martin's Essex Association and the Suitork Guild; the Stedman Cinques record by the St. Martin's Guild; the perfectly marvellous performances of Spliced Surprise Major, under the conductorship of "Tony" Peake; the 24 Surprise

Maximus by the Lancashire Association and the nine Surprise Major methods, rung silent and non-conducted by the Yorkshire Association. On handbells we note the wonderful efforts of the band who rang the Spliced Surprise on handbells—a great feat.

We wonder if our friends throughout the Exercise could help in finding out the perpetrators of the many "hoaxes" which are being received by the Editor; if they could then drastically deal with the same, it would give satisfaction to the other members of the Exercise.

#### **DISCUSSION**

Mr. Walter Ayre, in moving the adoption, said in paragraph 2 it should read "nor three peals sent to 'The Ringing World' on March 13th, though rung in December."

Mr. H. Poyner asked how they got half peal of Minor and half Doubles.

Mr. G Dodds inquired whether peals with singles at half-lead and lead-ends had been included.

included.

There was also a question as to the number of hoax peals and also about other ringers in the peal at Liverpool Cathedral mentioned in the report

The convener replied and said he was not going to work out the percentage of Minor and Doubles in the peal. There were no hoax peals as far as he knew. Regarding the Liverpool peal, he had extraordinary sympathy with the man on the eleventh but he admired the lot. He was no decider about peals but enjoyed peals with singles, but they occurred in the front and that was why they were in Mr. G. Dodds: They could be interpreted as two forms of singles.

Canon K. W. H. Felstead supported Mr. Ayre. In tabulating these and keeping the

records there was no opportunity to delve into such fine points.

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# Analysis of Peals Rung During 1966

Handbells in brackets.

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Ancient Society of College Youths.—Maximus 8, Cinques 7, Royal 4, Caters 2, Major 4, Triples 4, Minor 1. Total 30.

A.N.Z.A.B.—Caters 1, Major 2 (5), Minor (1), Doubles 1. Total 10 (6).

Batn and Wells.—Royal 6, Caters 5, Major 47, Triples 7, Minor 34, Doubles 29. Total 128.

Bedfordshire.—Royal 2, Caters 1, Major 20, Triples 4, Minor 11. Total 38.

Cambridge University.—Cinques 1, Royal 2, Caters 3, Major 8, Triples 2, Minor (3), Doubles 1. Total 20 (3).

Chester Guild.—Maximus 4 (7), Cinques 3, Royal 7 (7), Caters 1 (1), Major 65 (15), Triples 8 (1), Minor 40 (2), Doubles 22. Total 183 (33). 183 (33).

Cleveland and N. Yorkshire.—Major 3 (1),
Minor (2). Total 6 (3).
Cumberland and N. Westmorland.—Major
2, Minor 1. Total 3.
Coventry Guild.—Cinques (3), Royal 1,
Caters 3 (2), Major 11, Triples 4, Minor 29 (1),
Doubles 9. Total 63 (6).
Derby Diocesan.—Royal 2, Caters 4, Major
23 (5), Triples 5, Minor 17 (2). Total 58 (7).
Guild of Devonshire.—Maximus 1, Royal 3,
Major 9 (1), Triples 5, Minor 7, Doubles 6.
Total 32 (1).
Devonshire Association.—Doubles 1.

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Dudley and District.—Major 1.

Durham and Newcastle.—Maximus 1, Cinques 1, Royal 7 (2), Major 12 (8), Minor 6 (2). Total 40 (12). E. Derby and S. Leicester.—Minor 1. East Grinstead.—Major 5, Doubles 1. Total

E. Derby and S. Leicester.—Minor 1.
East Grinstead.—Major 5, Doubles 1. Total 6.
Ely Diocesan.—Cinques 1, Royal 1, Major 27 (1), Triples 1, Minor 25. Total 56 (1).
Essex Association.—Maximus 1, Cinques 6, Royal 4, Caters 2, Major 51, Triples 5, Minor 34, Doubles 1. Total 104.
Gloucester and Bristol.—Maximus 4, Cinques 2, Royal 2 (1), Major 34 (10), Caters 1, Triples 6, Minor 11 (1), Doubles 11. Total 83 (12).
Guildford Diocesan.—Royal 5, Major 18, Triples 3, Minor 6, Doubles 1. Total 33.
Hereford Guild.—Royal 3, Major 4, Triples 1, Minor 8, Doubles 15. Total 31.
Hertford County.—Maximus 2 (3), Royal 4 (6), Caters 1, Major 34 (12), Triples 1, Minor 21 (6). Total 90 (27).
Irish Association.—Maximus (2), Cinques 1 (1), Kent County.—Maximus (5), Cinques 1 (1), Royal 7 (8), Caters 2 (7), Major 96 (9), Triples 9 (2), Minor 48, Doubles 9 (3). Total 207 (35).
Ladies' Guild.—Major 1, Triples 1. Total 2.
Lancashire Association.— Maximus 12, Cinques 1, Royal 9 (1). Caters 3, Major 84 (4), Triples 15, Minor 32 (12), Doubles 4 (2). Total 179 (19).
Leicester Guild.—Maximus 6, Cinques 1, Royal 9 (1). Caters 3, Major 84 (4), Triples 15, Minor 32 (12), Doubles 4 (2). Total 179 (19).
Leicester Guild.—Maximus 6, Cinques 1, Royal 9 (1). Caters 3, Major 35 (21), Triples 4, Minor 63 (1), Doubles 3. Total 143 (27).
Llandaff and Monmouth.—Maximus 1, Royal 6, Caters 5, Major 17 (1), Triples 5, Minor 6, Doubles 11. Total 52 (1).
London C.—Cinques 1, Royal 3, Caters 4, Major 2, Minor 1. Total 11.
Middlesex C.—Royal 2 (2), Caters 2, Major 20, Triples 3, Minor 6. Total 33 (5).
Midland C.—Royal 15, Caters 3, Major 20, Triples 3, Minor 6, Total 53 (5).
Midland C.—Royal 15, Caters 3, Major 20, Triples 3, Minor 3, Total 20.
North Staffordshire.—Royal 1, Caters 1, Major 14, Triples 1, Minor 3. Total 20.
North Staffordshire.—Royal 1, Caters 1, Major 4, Doubles 25, Minimus 1, Cinques 2, Royal 2, Caters 2, Major 90—includes 1 in 1965, Triples 16, Minor 47, Doubles 25, Minimus 1. Total 200.
Oxford Guild.—Maximus 3, Royal 10, Caters 8, Major 90—incl

Oxford University.—Caters 1, Major 3, Triples 1. Total 5. Peterborough Guild.—Royal 18, Caters 2, Major 33 (1), Triples 1, Minor 31, Doubles 9. Total 95 (1).

St. David's Guild.-Major 5, Minor 4. Total

St. Martin's Guild.—Maximus 28, Cinques 7 (1), Royal 24, Major 21 (1), Triples 2, Minor 1. Total 85 (2).

Scottish Association.—Major 1.

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Sheffield and District.—Royal 1.
Salisbury Guild.—Maximus 1, Cinques 1,
Royal 1, Caters 1, Major 15, Triples 6, Minor 13 (2), Doubles 8. Total 48 (2).
Shropshire Association.—Maximus 1, Cinques 1, Royal 1, Major 7, Minor 2, Doubles 4.

Total 16.

Sherwood Youths.-Major 2, Minor 2. Total 4.

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Society of Royal Cumberland Youths.—
Maximus 1, Cinques 2, Royal 3, Major 19,
Minor 1. Total 26.
S. Derby and N. Leicester.—Nil.
Southwell Guild.—Maximus 2, Cinques 1,
Royal 6, Caters 4, Major 20 (2), Triples 6,
Minor 43 (5), Doubles 34. Total 123 (7).
Staffordshire Archdeaconry.—Maximus 2,
Royal 1, Caters 3, Major 12, Triples 5, Minor
14, Doubles 5. Total 42.
Suffolk Guild.—Royal 9, Caters 3, Major
17, Triples 1, Minor 32, Doubles 10, Minimus
1. Total 73.
Surrey Association.—Cinques 1, Royal 5,

1. Total 73.

Surrey Association.—Cinques 1, Royal 5, Caters 1, Major 12, Triples 2, Minor 9, Doubles 1. Total 31.

Sussex County.—Royal 3, Caters 4 (1), Major 35, Triples 14, Minor 17, Doubles 11. Total 95 (1)

Swansea and Brecon.-Major 1 (6), Minor 6.

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Total 13 (6).
Truro Guild.—Caters 1, Major 1, Triples 2,
Minor 6, Doubles 2. Total 12.
Universities Association.—Cinques 1, Major (1), Minor 4 (1). Total 7 (2).
University of Bristol.—Cinques 1, Caters 3,
Major 3, Minor 4. Total 11.
University of London.—Caters 1, Major 3,
Triples 1, Minor 9. Total 14.
Winchester and Portsmouth.—Cinques 4,
Royal 10, Caters 3, Major 22, Triples 6, Minor 17, Doubles 17. Total 79.
Worcester & Districts.—Maximus 2, Cinques 3, Royal 1, Caters 2, Major 40, Triples 4 (1),
Minor 5 (2), Doubles 2. Total 62 (3).
Yorkshire Association.—Maximus 5, Cinques 6, Royal 19, Caters 3, Major 96, Triples 5,
Minor 53, Doubles 13. Total 200.
Other Societies, etc.—Cinques 1, Royal 3 (4),
Major 32 (7), Triples 2, Minor 30½ (12),
Doubles 4. Total 96 (23).
Tower 3,039. Handbells 287. Grand total 3,326.

A peal of Doubles in 27 methods—5,319 changes—rung for the Southwell Guild is not acceptable, as it does not comply with the

Methods in which 10 or more peals were

Maximus.—Cambridge 51, Plain Bob 18, Cinques.—Stedman 56, Royal.—Cambridge 68, Plain Bob 61, York-

35, London 28.

shire 35, London 28,
Caters.—Grandsire 57, Stedman 46.
Major—Spliced Surprise.—Over 15 methods 29, Ditto 8 methods 19, Ditto 6 methods 15, Ditto 4 methods 41. Ditto 3 methods 13, Bristol 67, Cambridge 105, Glasgow 21, Lincolnshire 47, London 97, Pudsey 25, Rutland 61, Superlative 24, Yorkshire 178, Kent T.B. 31, Double Norwich 58, Plain Bob 294, Little Rob 11.

Triples.—Grandsire 93, Plain Bob 20, Sted-man 59.

Minor.—Over 30 methods 17, 15-30 methods 19, 14 methods 15, 9 methods 12, 8 methods 15, 7 methods 179, 6 methods 26, 5 methods 44, 4 methods 59, 3 methods 65, 2 methods 50, 1 methods 3631. 1 method 363\{.}

1 method 89½. Committee:

Ayre (Convener), The Old School House, Leverstock Green, Hemel Hempstead, Herts, W. H. Felstead,

H. Roper.

#### THE PEALS COLLECTION COMMITTEE

THe committee has had no work to carry out on publications of compositions.

The convener was assigned the task of examining the books and papers of the late Mr. Albert J. Pitman. He has looked through Mr. Albert J. Pitman. He has looked through all of them and found that much of the material is disappointingly of little value, though his figures provided some insight into the methods by which Mr. Pitman worked on Spliced Surprise Major. A large part consisted of largely disconnected jottings, and illustrated the very many types of composition in which he was interested, ranging from Spliced Doubles to Surprise Maximus. Spliced Doubles to Surprise Maximus.

Scattered throughout the books were found worked-out sets of false lead-ends between various Surprise Major methods. It was surprising to note that Mr. Pitman apparently had not realised that he could have almost halved his work by reversing such tables; for instance, a whole page of figures on "Pudsey Against Yorkshire" is followed a few pages later by "Yorkshire Against Pudsey." Despite the fact that the convener prefers to use false course-ends rather than false lead-heads, he was pleased to find correlation between his and Mr. Pitman's figures in all the popular methods used for splicing. methods used for splicing.

As these useful figures are so scattered in amongst others not so valuable, one possibility might be for them to be abstracted; the books

number about 20 in all.

The committee wish to place on record their appreciation of the work which Mr. Pitman had done for the Central Council since he became a member of the Peals Collection Committee. Whenever work was in progress on a new collection he was always very willing to undertake a large part of the proving of any kind of composition, and, together with Mr. W. Barton, shared almost the whole of the proof of the collection of Stedman Caters and Cinques published in 1961. As regards Surprise Major, his compositions particularly. Surprise Major, his compositions, particularly the "all the work" peals of Spliced, will stand for ever as a fitting memorial to an unassuming genius.

Signed) W. E. Critchley (Convener), 28, Brompton Road, Sprotborough, Doncaster.

Mr. W. E. Critchley moved the adoption. Mr T. Roderick asked why Mr. Pitman was

not aware of reversed tables.

Mr. Critchley said he went on the paper work he had done.

Mr. C. K. Lewis commented that it was nothing against Mr. Pitman and he might have been aware of it. He had written down both so he might or might not have known about reversing tables.

The report was adopted.

METHODS COMMITTEE Mr. C. K. Lewis said he had nothing to

present. The president: So no one will second it!

#### LATE NOTICE

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS Quarterly Meeting

> at **SAWBRIDGEWORTH**

SATURDAY, JULY 8th, 1967

Harlow Common (8), 3-4.30 p.m. Tea at Sawbridgeworth at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Sawlowed by business meeting. bridgeworth (8) 6.30-8 p.m.

Names for tea to D. E. Sibson, 15, Garden Royal, Kersfield Road, London, S.W.15, by Thursday, July 6th. 1801

Mr. Simon Humphrey gives notice of an attempt for 19,936 Yorkshire Surprise Major at the Lougnborough Bell Foundry on July 1st starting at 9 a.m. Composition next week.

# Methods Committee to Investigate Half Lead Spliced

Mr. Ian H. Oram gave notice of the fol-lowing proposed amendment of decision:—

"Peals which contain more than one method shall be called 'Spliced,' provided the methods are joined in the fundamental units of which they are constructed (i.e. the 'leads' in treble-dominated methods, the 'divisions' in the case of Stedman, Duffield and the like). In addition, where a peal qualifies as 'Spliced' under the above definition, methods may also be joined at the half-lead, provided that where this is done only one of any group of methods differing only in the places made at the half-lead or the lead end may be used in any one composition."

Moving the motion, Mr. Oram said first of all why was such an amendment necessary? The present rule required that a peal which contained more than one method should be called Spliced. When the original rule was made, no half-lead splice was known.

In the new rule they wanted to retain the requirement that methods be joined in fundamental units. If methods were only allowed to change at the lead-end it would disqualify Kent and Oxford. If they accepted calls at half-lead, why not prethod?

Mr. Stanley Jenner (Kent County Association) seconded and said they ought to look at it from a commonsense point of view and not be bogged down with technical details. Spliced was called spliced because that was what actually happened.

The President: We are advised by our

The President: We are advised by our legal adviser that it is competent for the Council to consider this although it is not on the agenda paper.

The Council agreed to continue the discussion.

Mr. N. Chaddock suggested that if they called it half-spliced it would solve the would solve the problem.

Mr. B. Threlfall: It seems to me that the main object of this motion is to allow a peal already rung to be recognised.

Mr. Oram: So far as I am concerned a peal has been rung. It was published as a peal of Surprise Major. What they wanted was for it to be recognised as Spliced Surprise Major. The 5,000 changes were rung properly.

Moreton: I think there is no doubt that the peal can be accepted as it stands. The only question is wether the word "spliced" can be used.

Mr. E. W. Critchley commented that in

this peal, of which he was filled with admira-tion—it included half a lead—neither Yorkshire nor Superlative was actually rung.

Mr. P. A. Corby: May we be reminded of the decision of the Council at the 1955 meetthe decision of the Council at the 1955 meeting as to what it constitutes as acceptable by the Central Council. At that meeting at Bristol the late Mr. Harold Poole and I proposed and seconded a resolution that any peal where the changes are true would be accepted by the Council as a peal.

Mr. C. K. Lewis said in 1955 there were two motions before the Council and he was the person who proposed the motion that they would accept Bob Triples and any other method that the Council would accept as a true peal.

true peal.

Mr. E. A. Barnett said no one was suggesting that this peal should not be counted as a peal. What the motion proposed to do

—and they had been going off at a tangent—was to alter the definition of a peal of spliced.

Mr. N J. Diserens said so long as a true peal was rung it stood, but half a lead of one method made it a different method. One method made it a different method of the constant of the constant

it to the Methods Committee.

Mr R. J. Anderson said it was a question of whether it was spliced or a new method. He supported Mrs. Staniforth's proposal.

Mr. C. K. Lewis remarked that this was not something new but as old as the hills. Snowdon's book, back in 1890, had something of the Yorkshire Court that was now being called Spliced Shipway's Court. He suggested that the people who proposed the motion should look into their histories and look backwards. There was a lot in "The Ringing Worlds" of 1936, 1937 and 1938 about spliced. He had sympathy with those who rang the Worlds" of 1936, 1937 and 1938 about spliced. He had sympathy with those who rang the peal as he knew of it long before it came into "The Ringing World." He would advise them to think of another name than spliced. They were worshipping at the spliced shrine and thought of it as the acme. It was much harder to ring a peal when the conductor did not remind one every 32 changes of what he proposed.

of what he proposed.

Mr. N. Bagworth: Surely with a change every half-lead they created a new method.

Why not call it "Miscellaneous Surprise"?

The amendment referring the motion to the next year was carried with only seven voting Methods Committee with a request to report

# Records Committee's List of First Peals in the Method

TOWER BELLS

5056 Foulness S. Maj., Lincoln.

February 12 5024 Stowe S. Maj., Oxford D.G. 12 5040 Grantham S. Roy., Middlesex.

5056 Brewood S. Maj., Middlesex. 5040 St. James' Bob Roy., Lancashire. 5024 Andover S. Maj., Winchester & P.G. 5024 Grimsthorpe S. Maj., Lincoln.

30 5120 Illey S. Maj., St. Martin's D.G. April

5056 Boreham S. Maj., Kent. 5184 Headstone S. Maj., Middlesex. May

5024 Midhurst S. Maj., Sussex, 5088 Ogden C.B.M., Midland. 5040 Clyde S. Roy., Lancashire. 5120 Oakington S. Maj., Middlesex. 5088 Crewkerne S. Maj., Bath and Wells.

5088 Measham C.B. Major. Midland C.

5024 Hove S. Maj., Sussex. 5056 Worthing S. Maj., Sussex. 5040 Hunslet Bob Roy., Yorkshire. 5056 Milford S. Maj., Cumberland Youths.

July 5049 Abbotswood S. Roy., Guildford. August

5040 Hunslet Bob Trip., Yorkshire. 5184 Lewes S. Maj., Sussex. 5152 Dorking S. Maj., Sussex. 5040 Single Oxford B. Cat., Middlesex. September

5024 Trent S. Maj., Derby. 5056 Higher Walton S. Maj., Bath & Wells. 5056 Orkney S. Maj., Surrey. 5024 Erewash S. Maj., Derby. 5088 Greybury S. Maj., Kent. 5184 Mapperley S. Maj., Derby.

October 5088 Githeslepe S. Maj., Oxford D.G. 5040 Staverton S. Roy., Peterborough. November

5040 Richmond B. Roy., Oxford D.G. 5088 Eckington S. Maj., Derby. 5184 Wycombe S. Maj., Oxford D.G. 5002 Rothersthorpe S. Roy., Peterborough.

December 10 5088 Tonbridge S. Maj., Kent.

#### HANDBELLS

5040 Albanian S. Roy., Leicester. 5040 Ashbourne C. B. M., A.N.Z.A.B. 6 15 May

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1 5152 Wembley S. Maj., Hertford.

SPLICED SURPRISE (TOWER BELLS)

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Silent, Cumberland Youths.

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5088 70 Spliced S. Maj., Gloucester and B.

August 6 5080 80 Spliced S. Maj., Gloucester and B. October

5080 85 Spliced S. Maj., Gloucester and B. 5080 100 Spliced S. Maj., Gloucester & B.

November
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Lancashire Lancashire

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31 5152 23 Spliced S. Maj. (all the work), Lancashire, Lancashire.

31 5080 150 Spliced S. Maj., Gloucester & B.

#### PROGRESSIVE LENGTHS

May 25 6048 Glasgow S. Maj., Worcestershire. 12 15699 Stedman Cinques, St. Martin's Guild. December 24 10032 Plain Bob Maximus (handbells)

Chester Two Twinlock binders have been bought, and have been gold-blocked "In Memoriam Edith Fletcher" These hold the papers typed by both Mrs. Fletcher and Mrs. L. K. Marshall. Work is proceeding to complete the records back to 1715.

back to 1/15.

Records of Minor methods rung to full peals, or included in peals, are now being compiled, and the committee would be grateful. any details or claims, especially before 1940.

T. Blagrove (Convener), 57, St. Andrews Crescent, Windsor, Berks. D. E. Sibson. C. A. Wratten.

Mr. F. T. Blagrove, in moving the report, said Mr. Derek Sibson was keeping the records up to date. Cyril Wratten was trying to get a complete list of Minor methods rung

and hoped to go on to Doubles,
Mr. D. E. Sibson, seconding, said Basing
Surprise Major was found to be false and

was not included in the records.

Mr. J. A. Ainsworth (St. Martin's Guild) asked if the committee considered compiling records of peals of record lengths.

Mr. Blagrove replied that they were not

aware that it was considered to be part of the Records Committee work

The report was adopted and later in the proceedings Mr. J. A. Ainsworth was elected to the committee.

(Appendix to follow)

# The Literature and Press Committee's Review

IT is right that the impact of bell ringing on the public should cause us concern, whether that impact be favourable or such as to arouse antagonism. Three instances quoted to arouse antagonism. Three instances quoted during the year strike us as worthy of serious thought. In July "The Hertfordshire Advertiser" publicised a complaint from tennis players at Radlett, who declared that the ringing of bells near their courts marred their games. The Vicar was able to assert that the ringing was at reasonable times and of reasonable length. In August, Mr. S. F Stapleton, living at Norton, Herts, succeeded in getting the rateable value of his house reduced on the grounds that the neighbouring ring of bells constituted a nuisance. Subring of bells constituted a nuisance. Sub-sequent correspondence in "The Pictorial' seemed to show that the cause of complaint was exaggerated, but it should be noted that the Hitchin Valuation Committee was sufficiently impressed to agree to a reduction of £16 a year.

A more curious, and perhaps significant, case arose at Newton-le-Willows, Lancs, in September, when Mr. P. Marriott sought an injunction against the Vicar to restrain him from allowing the bells of the local church to be rung for a practice meeting. Important papers like "The Times" and "The Guardian" gave considerable publicity to the matter, and the Noise Abatement Act was freely quoted in the discussions that followed A letter in "The Church Times" from Mr. Vernon Bottomley pointed out that Mr. Marriott's interpretation of the law in relation to church bells was in error. Our secretary added that the Central Council is able and ready to supply expert advice on sound problems and difficulties arising from noisy bells. The inference to be drawn from this paragraph (and the previous one) would seem to be that there is nowadays a greater need than be that there is nowadays a greater need than formerly for care in the choosing of times for ringing and for restraint in the exercising of the privileges we get

"The Norwich Churchman" provided during the year three challenging articles—
"Who Says that Church Bells are a Nuisance?"; "Bells—True and False"; and "Action Not Words in the Belfry." The first two, by Canon Gilbert Thurlow, gave respectively a lively defence of ringers and their art and a warning to the law world on respectively a lively defence of iniges and their art and a warning to the lay world on the falseness and sham of imitation bells. The third article, by Giles Hunt, emphasised the Christian fellowship arising from the work of church bell ringing. It would be impossible to exaggerate the importance of these three articles, addressed as they are chiefly to non-ringers.

The year 1867 was marked by the unification of Canada, and the centennial celebrations bring us to the very interesting reminder of the link between Canada and the Irish missionaries of long ago. At the request of Canada the New Year ringing in many Irish churches was associated with the rejoicings across the Atlantic, and the occasion received wide publicity in the Irish Press.

POPULAR ARTICLES

The popular articles that came our way during the year were on the whole very well done. "The Nottingham Guardian" gave a substantial account of the Beeston handbell ringers and emphasised the work of Miss I. B. Thompson over a period of 40 years. "Ruston News" published an anonymous contribution on bell casting and tuning, and "The Southern Evening Echo" in a very pleasant, if conventional, essay entitled "Ringing Out for Rejoicing" heralded the

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approach of Christmas. Olive Nelson's "Swinging Bell Ringing" in "The Cambridge News" was based on a visit and interview with Mr. Brian Threlfall at Harston Parish with Mr. Brian Inrelfall at Harston Parish Church, and gave us an example of sensible reporting Ann Gardner in the magazine of the National Cathedral School, Washington, wrote exuberantly of her enslavement to bell ringing and of the joy of achievement. A very unusual contribution to our literature was found in the Russian magazine. "Occasile and arrestletted and arrestletted and arrestletted and arrestletted and arrestletted."

our literature was found in the Russian magazine "Ogonek and translated and presented to us by "C. A. W." It tells of the old bell at Cape Khersones, Sevastopol, and how it was stolen by the French in 1864 and restored to the Russians in 1913.

In January, 1966, "In Britain" presented a well-illustrated article by John Camp. It gave a survey of bell ringing for popular reading, and was accompanied by a fine photograph of Boston Stump and an excellent picture of the ringers at Newdigate, Surrey. From Liverpool "The Childwall Mail" gave us a lively account of the Childwall band and a stimulating picture of Mr. Michael Dodd and his young people at handbell practice.

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The visit of Mr. Richard Dirksen of Washington to this country in the summer aroused more than ordinary interest. The peal of Caters he rang with Mr. Chaddock at Rotherham was noted in "The Star, Sheffield," and America's interest in ringing attracted the notice of the larger national Press. "The Daily Telegraph" gave prominence to Mr. Dirksen's visit and commented on the U.S. Servicemen learning to ring in Suffolk. "The Daily Mail" published a photograph of the transatlantic learners with Mr. Bedford at Aldeburgh, and quoted from a letter from Miss Ann Gardner of the Cathedral School, Washington. Washington.

Washington.

It is a pity that the rather hoary theme of ringing as a dying art should have crept into the article in the "Express and Star" in relation to ringing at Darlaston Parish Church. The report deals fairly with the current difficulties in maintaining bands of ringers, but it is clear that the reporter has seized on the wrong emphasis. As Mr. Bennett of Claverley pointed out by letter, ringing at the native town of the famous John Carter is the native town of the famous John Carter is active and flourishing.

NEW PUBLICATIONS

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Among the new publications of the year we have had a fresh edition—"A Collection of Compositions in the popular Major Methods" and "A Collection of Surprise Compositions" by Mr C A. Wratten, both books now in the Central Council list of publications. To supplement these Mr. H. Chant's "Method Splicing Minor Methods" appeared in the summer. In the middle of the year there came also Mr. York-Bramble's "Method Structure in Change Ringing," a massive and searching work, and one which must (as Canon Thurlow said) be studied seriously. Mr. Frederick Sharpe continues to add to his long list of County books, and "The Church Bells of Cardiganshire" has been followed surprisingly quickly by "The Church Bells of Herefordshire."

Two new quarterlies made their appearance
—"Bells and Bellringing," which is devoted
mainly to the historical side of the bells, and
"The Sentinel," a news sheet published by the
Ely Diocesan Guild. We have referred here
only to new publications, but it must be
remembered that the various local quarterlies
play an important part in the life of the Exercise and among the non-ringing public. Our cise and among the non-ringing public. Our thanks are due to those whose patience and persistence produce the journals year by

In response to a request for material from overseas, we have noted the comprehensive history published in November about the Christchurch Cathedral Society of Bell Ringers, New Zealand. The author, Patricia Ward, has fully covered the life of the Society in fine detail. On the front page of the 326-page "The Seattle Times" there was a Yule card in the form of bandbell ringers dressed in Dickensian garb. The ringers were from St. John's Evangelical Church (Lutheran). The bells of the Benedictine Westminster Abbey, British Columbia, are mentioned in the publication "Beautiful British Columbia." It says that visitors are welcome and that change ringing is to be heard on the ten bells daily.

Edgar C Shepherd (convener),

46, Manor Gardens,
Warminster, Wilts.

Fred E. Dukes.

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Mr. E. C. Shepherd moved and Mr. F. Dukes seconded and the report was Dukes seconded and the report adopted.

#### GUILD of DEVONSHIRE RINGERS

THE Guild of Devonshire Ringers held its

THE Guild of Devonshire Ringers held its annual general meeting at Buckfastleigh on May 27th, when upwards of 90 members attended, this being the first time that a county meeting has been held in this area.

Eleven towers were open for ringing and the service was held in the chancel at Buckfast Abbey, this being conducted by the Rev. Father Paulinus Angold, the captain of the Abbey ringers, who, in the course of an eloquent address, warmly welcomed the visitors and hoped that they would come again. The lesson was read by Mr D. J. Roberts, the general secretary.

After a buffet tea in the Buckfastleigh Town Hall, the business meeting followed. There had been a loss of five members by death during the past year, including Mr. T. G. Myers, of Plymouth, and the meeting stood in silence as a token of respect.

As the reports were still in the hands of the printers the secretary's and treasurer's reports were taken as read.

Officers elected for the ensuing year were: President, Preb. J. H. B. Andrews; secretary, Mr. D. J. Roberts; treasurer, Capt. G. J. L. Read; auditor, Mr. J. W. Perkins; peal secretary, Mr. W. Simmonds; adviser on church bells, Rev. J. G. M. Scott. The vice-presidents were re-elected with the addition of Mr. A. L. Bennett, and there were five nominations for one vacancy on the Central Council. On a show of hands Mr. D. R. Bould was elected.

Arrangements for a joint meeting with the

Arrangements for a joint meeting with the Devon Association at Exeter Cathedral in aid of the funds of the Cathedral Restoration were left in the hands of Mr. B. E. Bartlett and the general secretary.

For the annual meeting in 1968, the meeting agreed with the general committee's recommendation that it be at Bideford, with Torquay as a second choice.

suggested memorial to the late Mr. T. G. Myers was discussed, and a small committee consisting of Messrs. R. A. Southwood, N. Mallett, G. J. L. Read and D. J. Roberts was appointed to look into the matter.

New members elected were five from Newton St. Cyres, 20 from St. Luke's College, Exeter, and two non-resident members from Australia.

and two non-resident members from Australia.

Hearty votes of thanks were accorded to the Lord Abbot of Buckfast, Father Paulinus, Father Sebastian for the arrangements at Buckfast Abbey, to the general secretary for his services.

A. L. B.

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# SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION MR.

#### Trouble over Annual Report Cost

The 82nd annual general meeting of the Sussex County Association was held at Christ Church, Eastbourne, on May 13th. Once again a full robed choir was provided by ringers for the service, which was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. D. G. Newman. The Archdeacon of Hastings, the Ven. Guy Mayfield also attended

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Mr. T. Barlow catered for the tea held
in Christ Church Hall, which was attended by
a company of 140, and help came from
ringers at St. Saviour's and Christ Church.
The Archdeacon and Vicar and the Rev. W.
Greenfield of Willingdon were welcomed as
guests and the Master (Mr. R. V. Johnson)
thanked those who had arranged the tea, and
the Eastern Division Committee for the

meeting.

The Master presided at the meeting and before the business started a silent tribute was paid respecting George Pullinger of Willingdon and Hampshire and K. Snelling of Cuckield. In his report the Master mentioned that two trebles had been added at Lodsworth, and

Midhurst bells had been rehung. Two ringers' services had been held, at Willingdon and Danchill, and had been well supported. Striking competitions had been held at Burgess Hill and Thakeham. Mrs. Elsie Hairs had now relinquished the office of hon. secretary of the Northern Division. They recorded with deep appreciation the good work she and Mr. Frank Hairs had done for the Association. The treasurer reported a slightly better

The treasurer reported a slightly better position than last year, subscriptions were approximately £60 down, due to the first year of individual subscriptions, and some peal fees were outstanding at the year end. (Note new rule: Peal fees should be sent to the peal secretary with the full information, and not to the treasurer.)

33 FIRST PEALS

The peal secretary reported 86 peals for the year, including 29 of Surprise, five of Caters and three of Royal. (Midhurst, Hove, Caters and three of Royal. (Midhurst, Hove, Worthing, Lewes and Dorking Surprise were the first peals in the method.) Thirty-three members rang their first peals. Full details appear in the report.

The hon, general secretary in his report said there was a lack of ringers in some areas; they should go out of their own towers, find out what was wanted and ask ringers to come and help.

come and help.

The Divisional secretaries' reports, which appear in the annual report, were adopted

Twenty-seven new members were elected from Eastbourne, Danehill, Slaugham, Henfield, Upper Beeding, Shoreham and Steyning; also four non-resident life members.

OFFICERS RE-ELECTED

The president and vice-presidents were elected en bloc. Mrs. Stella Knight suggested elected en bloc. Mrs. Stella Knight suggested the Archdeacon of Lewes be approached for election as a vice-president. The Master, treasurer, general secretary, peal secretary and hon. trustees were re-elected. Messrs. D. Smith and G. Francis were elected auditors, the retiring auditors, Messrs. A. Bond and A. Riddington were thanked by the Master for their valuable services to the Association over a number of years.

The new form of service has been accepted

The new form of service has been accepted by the Bishop of Chichester. Estimates for printing, with hard covers, had been received (£15-£17). It was agreed to use the present duplicated sheets until the Association could

afford to reprint with hard covers.

It has been agreed to hold an Association dinner in Brighton on October 28th. Mr. A. V. Sheppard is trying to obtain the Dome; details will be given in the near future.

A grant of £25 will be made to Midhurst for bell restoration. Mr. Charlton thanked the Association for the generous gift and for the help given by Mr. R. Wake and family in teaching the hand change ringing. in teaching the band change ringing.

Very little headway has been made towards a ringing course at Lodge Hill. Divisional secretaries were asked to bring this up at their next Divisional quarterly meeting and send their decisions to either W. L. Weller or George Frances, who are endeavouring to make the arrangements. make the arrangements.

ANNUAL REPORT
The following resolution had been sent in by the Western Division: "The members of the Western Division view with concern the cost of producing the annual report and feel that every effort should be made to reduce the cost of control of the cost of the cos the cost and stimulate additional revenue from

sales and advertising"
The treasurer (Mr. W. Weller) offered to have the report printed by his firm but pointed out

the report printed by his firm but pointed out that it would not be up to the present standard but the cost would be about half.

The general secretary pointed out the snags in such an arrangement. Numerous suggestions were made and the general secretary, in reply to a question, said the economic price of producing the report was 15s. a rope.

The report is to be discussed at the committee meeting in October and findings sent to the Divisional secretaries before their annual Divisional meetings in February.

"THE RINGING WORLD"

Mr. A. V. Sheppard asked whether members were satisfied with the "new look" "Ringing World." It was agreed that the Association was gratified with the results so far achieved.

Finally came more complaints about the present report, mostly printer's errors, and that only members who had paid their 1966 subscriptions were listed. (This will be discussed at the next committee meeting.)

### **MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION**

South and West District

Harefield (the only tower in its area where cows graze across the churchyard wall) was the cows graze across the churchyard wall) was the venue for the June Saturday meeting of the District. At tastes in six-bell ringing were satisfied before adjourning to the Church Hall for an excellent tea prepared by members of the local band and their wives.

At the business meeting which followed, the possibility of holding bi-monthly Surprise Royal practices was discussed and it was agreed that if suitable arrangements could be made they should be tried. Mr. A. R. Hale,

agreed that if suitable arrangements could be made they should be tried Mr. A. R. Hale, of Harefield, was elected a member, and Mr. S. George, a churchwarden at Harefield, was made an honorary member. The election of Miss Pauline Walters of Harlington, at a practice meeting, was confirmed. The secretary reported on the continued success of the evening practice meetings and of the Surprise Major practices and on 10 bells (including the first on the bells at Harefield and the the first on the bells at Harefield and the first since 1953 at Heston) and 18 quarter

peals rung in the District during the first five months of the year.

A larger gathering at Ruislip in the evening found the bells rather tricky because of the poor "go" and the long draught, and in consequence justice was not done to them.

**OBITUARY** 

MR. SYDNEY GEORGE COLES

With the passing, on May 30th, at the age of 76, of Mr George Coles, of Taunton, the Taunton Branch of the Bath and Wells Association has lost one of its most outstanding ringers; his leadership and guidance in the Branch will long be remembered.

He was taught to handle a bell and became He was taught to handle a bell and became a member of the Wilton band in 1913, which he so faithfully served for the whole of his ringing career—some 54 years. He was a "safe ringer, an excellent striker, and the example he set to others in his Sunday service ringing, and to Branch support, was something that every ringer should stripe to attain thing that every ringer should strive to attain.

During his life as a ringer he must have taken part in more than 100 peals, and many of these were of the more advanced methods ever to have been rung in this part of the country. He was a vice-chairman of the Taunton Branch and representative to the Diocesan Association, and from 1945 to 1959 he was a Central Council representative. Upon his retirement from this office he was elected a life member of the Bath and Wells Association.

The funeral service was held at Staplegrove on June 3rd, when in the large congregation ringers were present from all parts of the Diocese, and immediately following the committal a quarter peal, with the bells half-muffled, was rung. He would not wish us to mourn him but we can appreciate his life as a dedication of how a ringer's life can be lived.

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MR. J. H. COX

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Mr. J. H. Cox, who died after a short illness on May 31st. aged 80, had been ringing for approximately 50 years—first at Cradley Parish Church, Worcs, then from 1930 he was honorary secretary of the Halesowen Parish Church bellringers. He was a regular attender for both Sunday service ringing and practice until 1962, when he had to forgoringing owing to illness. ringing owing to illness.

"Joe" Cox was always helpful to anyone with whom he came into contact. He was a just man and set us a fine example of Christianity—a life of devotion to others. May we endeavour to follow his example.

He had recorded for the Worcestershire Association 25 peals, three of which he con-

The funeral service was on June 3rd and the bells of Halesowen Parish Church were rung half-muffled. Amongst those present were: W. B. Cartwright (Ringing Master) and B. C. Ashford (secretary), representing the B. C. Ashford (secretary), representing the Northern Branch of the Worcestershire Assosciation, also F. V. Nicholls, C. W. Cooper and R. Smith (Stourbridge), H. J. Shuck (Cradley) and members from Halesowen.

### MR. G. W. JOHNSON

While a quarter peal was in progress at Hilgay Church, Norfolk Mr. George William Johnson died at Kelling Hospital. For over Johnson died at Kelling Hospital. For over 60 years he had been a ringer at this church and he was also a chorister for many years. George was a regular Sunday service ringer and could always be relied upon to attend

and could always be relied upon to attend practice nights and also the monthly District meetings. He had also rung a few peals. Interested in most sports, bowls was his favourite and he had recently been playing for the Hilgay Bowls Club. He was a member of the Downham Branch of the British Legion, having seen service in World War I. On the day of the funeral a half-muffled quarter peal was rung by those who practised with him each Monday night.

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# Letters to the Editor

#### SAFETY IN THE BELL TOWER

Dear Sir,—Mr. Wilson's list on "Accidents in the Belfry" (page 374) is fairly comprehensive and I would like to reinforce his advice by additional suggestions. First I would like to quote from my own notes on "Learning and Teaching Bell Control":

"Safety Measures.—Reference has already been made to safety precautions for the pupil's safety. Never take anything for granted and always keep a careful control over the proceedings. When not in use (at bell control practice), bells which are up should be set at backstroke. should be set at backstroke.

Control of electric light switches and the existence of an emergency light is important, since failure could lead to a nasty accident. There should always be more than one electric light in a ringing room. If necessary, fit a two-way adaptor. Young people are impulsive, and accidents not connected with the actual swinging of the bell should be guarded against (care about ladders, steps, trap doors,

Never ring a bell fully up with a coil round the hand. Display warnings when bells are up. Regard a bell as being up, unless sure, one way or the other. When ringing from a box do not let the toes protrude over the edge of the box Care must also be taken of the bells and fittings by precautions regarding clock hammers, chimes, etc."

Other points worth mentioning are: When ringing is taking place, and at all times, young children should be in the physical care of some responsible person(s) in the ringing room who are not themselves taking part in

The bell chamber should be kept locked. Normally, a tutor should be an adult. When watching a swinging bell, not only should the watcher be safe from the bell rope but also from a flying clapper in case of breakage, i.e. stand out of line of its swing.

Regarding Mr. Jackson's reference to the Central Council issuing certificates of competence to tutors (page 376), perhaps the Council could debate this next year if there is time after "The Ringing World" debate. Perhaps it would be more useful to ensure that a bold notice is displayed in every ringing room, setting out the precautions to be observed for the safety of all concerned. This could be done by an inset in "The Ringing World." Copies could also be sent out by the librarian with publications pur-Ringing World." Copies could also be sent out by the librarian with publications purchased and the cost met from the Clement Glenn bequest, with a footnote asking the recipient to ensure that a copy was pinned up securely in his own tower and any visited. Incumbents of churches with bells should also be made aware of their indirect responsibility in the matter—Yours sincerely,

NORMAN CHADDOCK.

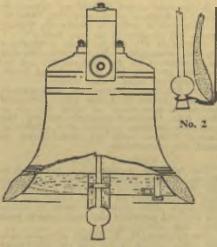
Rotherham.

#### A SERVICE WHEN THE BELLS SHOULD HAVE BEEN RUNG

Dear Sir,— The Cathedral Church of St. Philip, Birmingham, is well known for its record of peal ringing. Yet on Trinity Sunday, when the Bishop was ordaining deacons and priests to the sacred ministry, the bells were silent. Surely at this, one of the most important of the Church's services, the bells should have been ringing out to summon the faithful to witness this important service. Is not this a glaring example of wrong priorities? faithful to witness this important service. Is not this a glaring example of wrong priorities? In our coachload of worshippers at this service we had seven bellringers and could easily have brought the other five to make up a band. We might not have been able to ring a peal but at least we should have been able to summon the faithful to God's house to witness the ordination of His deacons and priests.—Yours faithfully.

JOAN M. COLEY.

The Vicarage. Rowley Regis.



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#### WASHINGTON'S SILENCERS

Dcar Sir,—I am happy to supply the in-formation called for by Mr. Savory in his letter published on May 19th.

These silencers and another simpler type were devised by Mr. Frederick Sharpe, who has had the No. 1 pattern in use at Launton for 33 years. This is the pattern we supplied at Washington, and the appended sketch illustrates the principle.

A normal clapper stay is fitted with a miniature clapper at one end, and the back stop can be adjusted to vary the volume. This "clapperette" strikes the bell at each stroke, and even allows of raising and lowering in

The No. 2 pattern uses the full size clapper, which is held captive one side by a piece of light rope looped round the flight, protected over the lip by a piece of leather, and tied up to the headstock. The width of the gap between the ball and the bell varies the volume.—Yours sincerely,

**DOUGLAS HUGHES** 

London, E.

#### HALF-LEAD PEALS

Dear Sir,—I am sorry that I misread the heading to the peal at Frindsbury—I'd bet its defenders enjoyed replying! But they need not be on the defensive on my account as I had no intention of denigration. I shall certainly look forward to the debate on the motion concerning this topic at the Central Council meeting, though there is not really a great deal to discuss—either one is for or against the principle involved.

At the risk of incurring further wrath, an alternative idea occurred to me before I "rushed into print" for a second time: can the composer claim that the leads which are joined at the half-lead are indeed two methods, or are they neither method? The definition or are they neither method? The definition of a method, amongst other requisites, states that each division (or sub-division in the case of principles such as Stedman) must reverse true to itself, and reversion is defined so that all places counted from the beginning of the lead or division should correspond with places counted from the end of the lead or division upwards. Unless this definition is revised, it might be argued therefore that a half-lead of Yorkshire joined with a half-lead of Superlative can be given neither name—perhaps it lative can be given neither name—perhaps it is a pity that the term "hybrid" has already been used in another sense.—Yours faithfully,

W. E. CRITCHLEY,

Sprotborough, Yorks.

#### THE DEATH WATCH-BE WATCHFUL BUT NOT ALARMED

Dear Sir.—We feel that Mr. Amos' article about the death watch beetle may have caused perhaps undue alarm in the minds of some

of your ringers.

What, is important is that if any church member sees the signs of deathwatch, which may be the little beetle, its tiny bun-shaped pellets, which are the excreted wood particles of the grubs which do the damage, or the one-eighth inch almost perfectly round flight holes, which the beetles make when they emerge, they should inform a member of the Parcehial Church Coursell the Vicar one Parochial Church Council, the Vicar or one of the churchwardens. They can then call in the necessary timber experts to examine the whole of the timbers of the fabric.

The death watch beetle is slow in its work,

great beams will and do stand centuries of the borings of the grubs. Only if overlong neg-lected could there be any possibility of struc-tural collapse of timber, and such collapse will only take place after decades of woodworm attack.

By all means be watchful; go up with a torch and check over the old beams in the bell chamber as Mr. Amos suggests. But don't be alarmed.

Be watchful, bellringers, but go on ringing.-Yours faithfully.

MICHAEL FRY.
Rentokil Public Relations.

#### "SEMI-LEARNERS" GRIEVANCE

Dear Sir,—As a group of "semi-learners," we feel forced to say that we find the behaviour of some of the more experienced ringers often upsetting They seem to expect us to progress in one jump, from badly-struck Plain Bob to perfect Surprise Major, and this can be very difficult, especially if one comes from a six-bell tower.

Surely they were once learners themselves and felt the need for a little encouragement (which we have found on occasions to be completely lacking). We feel that the displays of temper, with which they treat learners in their first attempts at Surprise Major, do nothing to inspire learners with further confidence.

What makes is worse is the fact that they do not often ring in simpler methods to improve striking; neither do they stand behind progressing learners to help them.

We would like to ask these experienced ringers firstly to be available to less expert ringers who wish to make progress through peals or meetings, and secondly to be a little more helpful and encouraging to the learners, who, after all, are the ones who are to maintain the standards of ringing in the future.—Yours faithfully,

SHIRLEY E. JONES.
JOHN ROYAL.
ANTHONY J. COX.
PAUL EBSWORTH.
DELPHINE E. P. HOLMAN.

# RINGERS' NOTEBOOK & DIARY,

Most ringers will have been aware of our difficulties in producing the 1967 Diary, and to correct matters our binders are asking for the printed sheets much earlier than previously.

To enable us to do this we must invite the co-operation of all Association secretaries asking them to send lists of officers and dates of A.G.M.'s, dinners, etc., by July 7th, latest. Most Associations hold their A.G.M.'s before Whitsun, so the information should be available. If no amendments are notified we will assume that the 1967 lists available. If no amendments are noti-fied we will assume that the 1967 lists remain unchanged.

No reminders can be sent this year. W. Viggers, M. Hodgson. Replies, please, to 37, Highfield Gardens, Aldershot, Hants. 1755

#### LETTERS—Continued

THE U.L.S.C.R. PEAL AT GOSPEL OAK Dear Sir,—As a member of the band that rang the U.L.S.C.R. peal at Gospel Oak, I feel that Mr. Knight's letter in last week's "Ringing World" calls for comment.

It is gratifying that he should take an in-It is gratifying that he should take an in-terest in our activities in this tower; we and the Vicar were glad to hear the bells again after their long silence. The Vicar especially was "delighted" and gave us a big welcome after the peal. There had been no complaints then (hardly surprising, since the bells are now permanently muffled and are very quiet outside). Indeed, an old lady living near the church opened the window so as to hear them better.

Regarding George Hart and Ruth Foreman, who, Mr. Knight claims, should have been consulted before the peal, neither David Cawley, the secretary of U.L.S.C.R., nor the organiser of the peal had heard of these people, let alone that they were connected with St. Martin's tower. In applying for permission for the ringing for the annual dinner and for the peal they applied direct to the Vicar. It seems strange that he also omitted to consult Mr. Hart, in spite of being "well acquainted" with him.

Meanwhile, Mr. Knight is surely not serious in suggesting that every time a peal is rung in an otherwise "silent" tower the band should feel obliged to ring regularly on Sundays in that tower. We in the University Society have our own towers to ring in on Sundays and must leave Gospel Oak to the residents of N.W.S. One cannot help asking, though perhaps one had better not ask, why these residents should be unable to carry out this task, in view of the new Vicar's extreme willingness that the bells be rung. willingness that the bells be rung.

willingness that the bells be rung.

Finally, I find it a trifle incredible that "many readers" of "The Ringing World" should be interested in the supposed restoration work carried out in St. Martin's by U.L.S.C.R. Somehow I feel that this subject can have little fascination for the ringing fraternity at large. Whether or not this is so, I am sorry to report that, to my knowledge, no such restoration work has been done or claimed to have been done. We did adjust a few ropes and call attention to two broken stays, indications of the neglect and misuse which the bells have suffered recently.—Yours sincerely,

JOHN C. HUTCHINSON,

King's College.

Sevenoaks, Kent.

#### NOTES IN A BELL

Dear Sir,—In reply to Canon Thurlow's letter ("Ringing World," May 26th, 1967), the article by Michael Howard to which he makes reference appeared in Volume 2 of the magazine "Hi-Fi News," Nos. 2 to 6 (July-November, 1957) as a five-part serial. I have a copy of the first four parts (the fifth concerned carillons and I regret now that I did not copy it) which Mr. Rush may like to borrow if he is unable to attain access to the original. original.

original.

In a cursory perusal I can find no reference to 13 'cones of a bell: the maximum considered is 10, although there is a passing note that great bells may have "a dozen or more." Mr. Howard considers in detail the location in the bell of the various vibrations that produce the different tones (called partials), and also shows how the thickness and shape-proportions of the bell can affect the relationship between their actual notes. There is also an interesting "sound spectrum" showing how the first five tones die away at different speeds after the bell has been struck, thus giving a continuously changing harmonic balance between them, which in turn affects what we hear, and additionally a diagram of the carrying power over distance of the first the carrying power over distance of the first five tones, along with many more technical details concerning nodes of vibration, etc. — Yours faithfully,

ROBERT E. HARDY.

#### HOAXES

Dear Sir,—Whilst to write hoax letters to "The Ringing World" are very childish actions, they have had the effect of making the paper more interesting, at least to those in the paper more interesting, at least to those in the know I think, therefore, that you ought to expose all such letters as soon as you know about them, and it is the duty of every member of the Exercise to assist you in this, I think you ought to know that the letter signed "Walter Knight" was in fact written by a well-known Plain Bob composer and

by a well-known Plain Bob composer and conductor, a man of many pseudonyms.

To associate the name of any particular Society with the recent spate of hoaxes is grossly unfair. In the Society hinted at there are a large number of members who have had nothing to do with any hoax letters and who do not condone such letters. The person(s) concerned with the letters is/are also propropers of other Societies and so if one members of other Societies, and so if one Society is to be held responsible for the actions of its members, then so should the others.—Yours sincerely,

HAROLD LAWRENCE.

Lewisham, S.E.

#### FORTHCOMING PEAL ATTEMPTS

Dear Sir,—Might I add my support to those who have recently expressed views that they would like "The Ringing World' to publish forthcoming peal attempts.

I know there is a surprising number of ringers (and, I suspect, non-ringers), who would welcome the chance to hear some good examples of ringing on all numbers of bells, even if this entailed travelling some distance and expense.

In a feature "Forthcoming peal attempts" suggest the following be the minimum informa-tion required: Date and time of start, tower, method, and in addition some idea of who will be participating, i.e. either Association attempting the peal or the name of the con-ductor, arranger or your correspondent.

ductor, arranger or your correspondent.

Those of us who try to teach learners not only to handle a bell but also to strike properly might find taking these youngsters to hear how it should be done very useful. In addition this would help any tape-recording enthusiasts who might wish to "capture some worthwhile ringing on a good ring of bells.—Yours faithfully,

Linhfield Staffs

Lichfield, Staffs.

#### SURPRISE COMPOSITIONS

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Dear Sir,—I would like to draw the attention of conductors to Cyril Wratten's collection of Surprise compositions and to give a warning. This thoroughly useful publication contains no peals with singles and it is important that conductors should realise that the notes in the collection apply only to such compositions. For example, the note: "All 'tenors together' compositions of Yorkshire (Major) are true (to Aldenham)" is not true for peas containing singles. Indeed, since the purpose of singles in Yorkshire is largely to give both 56 and 65 course-ends, such compositions are very likely to be false to Aldenpositions are very likely to be false to Aldenham, where the middle lead of the course 23465 is false against the middle lead of the plain course. An article on the changes involved in using this type of composition for different methods would be very welcome.

I was very pleased to see Richard G. Crosland's peal of Surprise Major with method changes at the half-leads. Since his first composition on these lines appeared I had looked forward to seeing the one without bobs and singles.

The correspondence it has caused has been an even greater source of pleasure. Mr. Smith has a point, but I

of pleasure. The has a point, but I think the following equally logical denearer being a logical conclusion. This is conclusion. This is not only irregular but, if the sections are written out in reverse for the next half-lead. following half-lead, tone-medical convention cross-section places are determined by the previous (and not the following) section, then it is unsymmetrical and the 7th makes three blows in 8ths. Would these qualities be acceptable because

to say something every four changes?—Yours sincerely,

Halifax.

J. HENRY FIELDEN.

### BELFRY GOSSIP

Congratulations to Mr. Fred Bennett, tower captain at Ossett, Yorks, on his appointment as Mayor of Ossett.

The methods rung in the peal at Hothfield (page 238) were London, York, Bourne, Norwich, Beverley, Ipswich and Cambridge.

Descending Tintinhull, Somerset, tower after ringing a peal (page 381), the band found that the lock of the tower door could not be freed and they were trapped inside. Fifteen nerve-racking minutes followed until the lock was finally freed.

Placings in the Salisbury Branch striking competition at Shrewton on May 27th were: Fittleton (Grandsire) 26 faults; Wilton (Grandsire) 35; Broadchalke (Grandsire) 44; Enford (Bob Minor) 48; Sarum St. Thomas' (Grandsire) 51. Judges: Messrs. H. Gummer and D. Bailey.

Lt.-Col. C. F Jerram, who was G.S.O.I. to the old 46th (North Midland) Territorial Division, which included the 139th (Sherwood Foresters) Brigade when it stormed the "un-breakable" Hindenburg line, capturing 4,000 prisoners and 70 guns, sends greetings and peaceful ringing to those who are left and their children.

Mr. Harry P. Thompson, secretary of the Western District of the Durham and Newcastle Association, is going abroad for a spell. Mr. William Davidson, 27, Ross Avenue, Dunston, Gateshead, is the new District secretary, and Mr. Alan C. Walker, of 6. Ford Street, Lanchester, will be tower captain at Lanchester.

Found at St. Peter's, Nottingham, after C.C. week-end, one pair lady's white gloves. Apply to D. Stainsby. 376, Loughborough Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham.

The wedding day of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Barnett is June 13th. It was not that they had forgotten the date, as is suggested by their silver wedding announcement in the issue of June 9th, but a much regretted typographical error.

The meeting of the East Grinstead and District Guild at Nutfield on June 10th, which was attended by over 30 members, was memorable for two things—the hospitality of Miss Kempsall in inviting the members to tea at her cottage, and the presentation to the popular secretary, Miss Margaret Ladd, and Mr. Raymond Large of a wedding gift.

Mr. Peter S. Abbott, of Brampton, Hunts, of St. Alkmund's, Derby calls attention to near where he lives there is an excellent four, containing two examples of the beautiful work of Joseph Eayre. This church is to be demolished and a new one built nearer the village. "I wonder if any provision has been made to retain these bells, but I think I can guess the answer." guess the answer."

An extremely good impression was left by one outing of ringers who recently visited Derbyshire. The organiser thoughtfully left a postcard in each tower, thanking those responsible for permitting the visit and use of the bells. A suggestion perhaps for other organisers!

# Bellfounders' Gift Page to 'The Ringing World'

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### BELFRY GOSSIP

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#### DISCOVERED AN UNKNOWN FIVE

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During his research into the bells of Dorset
Mr. C. Dalton found a ring of five steel bells
the existence of which even the Vicar was
unaware and which had not been listed in
"Dove's." It was only with the loan of a
long ladder from a farmer that he found it.
The prospect of ringing the bells was conveyed to Mr. G. K. Dodd, who with a party
from North Hants set out on June 4th to
ring at nine towers en route. The newfound bells are at Toller Whelme, near
Beaminster, a village consisting of two houses
and a church. Mr. Dodd reports that the
bells were cast by Naylors and Vickers in
the late 1800's and the tenor appeared to
weigh 3 to 4 cwt. The wheels also are of
steel and there are no stays or sliders. Each
bell is in an independent steel frame and this
forms a perfect rope circle.

Ropes were fitted, improvisations made and
the bells raised individually. Much practice
was needed before perfect rounds were rung

was needed before perfect rounds were rung on the floor immediately below the bells. The

on the noor immediately below the bels. The noise was terrific; there was no cotton wool available for ear plugs.

Outside, the bells are a pretty ring although the third and fourth are on one note, rather similar to Ampney Crucis, Glos. The two and a half hours spent here were much enjoyed and a second visit will probably be planned. It has been said that the bells were rung to changes early in the century by a Beaminster band. Can any Beaminster ringer verify this?

#### UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY

The annual general meeting was held on May 6th in St. Olave's Church Hall, and the following officers were elected: President. David Martin; vice-presidents, John Seagar, Derek Stbson, Alan Thirst; Master, Robin Churchill; secretary, Christopher Starbuck; treasurer, Lawrence Hanney; committee, Audrey Alexander, Graham Elmes and Timothy Pett. All communications should be treasurer, Lawrence Hanney; committee, Audrey Alexander, Graham Elmes and Timothy Pett. All communications should be sent care of the vice-president, Alan Thirst, 15. Clifford Grove, Ashford, Middlesex, who will forward them to the appropriate officer Proposed amendments to the constitution were accepted by the meeting Please note, therefore, that all nominations for officers must now be with the committee at least one week before the meeting. C.P.S.

# ESSEX TRIBUTE TO FREE CHURCH MINISTER

The six bells of St. Mary Magdalene's, Wethersheld, Essex, were rung half-muffled on June 7th after the funeral of the Congregational minister, the Rev. A. Ray. Mr. Ray must have been one of very few Nonconformist ministers ever to have attended a District meeting of the Essex Association. He was one of those rare people who ever thanked the ringers for their efforts, and loved especially to waken to the sound of bells on Christmas

#### CONDUCTORS YOU HAVE MET

This competition proved to be more difficult than anticipated. The correct solution was: 1H, 2L, 3E, 4G, 5J, 6I, 7A, 8B, 9D, 10K, 11C, 12F. The best entry was from Miss E. M. Emmett, 1, Blenheim Road, Redland, Bristol, who is awarded the prize of 10s. Other near efforts were from Mrs. H. Chapman, 20. Edward Avenue, Bishopstoke, Hants; Mr. P. D. Dawson-Taylor, 2, Auckland House, Waterloo Road, Sutton, Surrey; Mr. A. J. Davidson, Tyneholme, Barrack Lane, Truro.

#### MR. E. P. DUFFIELD-A MAYOR

The new Mayor of Colchester is Mr. E. The occasion was not allowed to pass without a tribute from the bells, a quarter peal being rung at Bures. Our correspondent writes: "In 1950 an idea was born to complete the octave at Bures, but before it could be achieved it was necessary not only to convert the P.C.C. but to educate parishioners into some of the mysteries. Mr. E. P Duffield was one of those whose support was most valuable in obtaining permission for the trebles to be installed."

#### A CHELTENHAM MEMORIAL

Cheltenham Parish Church now has a permanent reminder of the long service of the late Mr. William Dyer. Before Matins on June 3r1 the Rector, Canon H. A. Evan Hopkins, dedicated a carved plaque which

"In memory William Dyer, a ringer at this church for 41 years. Captain of the ringers 1930-1950. Died 20th May, 1965. Aged 80."

In addition to the ringers, the widow, their and their families were present, as well as Mr. J. Pouncet, verger, and Miss M. Bliss, chairman. Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association.

This is the third tablet to be placed in the tower, the others being for J. H. Philott, 1876-1926, and W. T. Pates, 1873-1936.

#### BATTERSEA RINGERS IN THE SOUTH DOWNS

Not only did everyone arrive, but everyone arrived on time! On that unprecedented note Battersea ringers set out for Sussex on May

South Harting Church (6) in its fine setting, was much enjoyed and the unusual experience of ringing at the foot of the chancel delighted many. The effects of ringing immediately after lunch made themselves felt at Chichester Cathedral, but on the fine ring at Arundel (8) the ringing was consistently good. After a Cathedral, but on the fine ring at Arundel (8) the ringing was consistently good. After a saunter round the town and tea we headed over the Downs to Pulborough. Though our ringing was not too bad, it provoked a severe storm and we hurried to Reigate along flooded roads. The chimax here was a quite respectable half-course of Cambridge Royal. Our grateful thanks to the towers for their help.

R. J. C.

#### A KENT RESTORATION

Bredgar, Kent, bells were taken to White-chapel in March, where three of them were cast in 1579, 1692 and 1842 (the other two having been cast by John Wilnar of Borden in 1620 and 1634), and recently a dozen parishioners saw two new trebles being cast from the metal of the old tenor of 1842. It was a thrilling sight! They also saw and heard the four old bells which have been tuned to form the back four of a ring of six tuned to form the back four of a ring of six in the key of G.

"We hope to have them all back and hung

in a new frame some time in the autumn."
writes the Vicar, the Rev. Stanley N. Evans.
The restoration will cost over £2.000, towards
which £1,560 has either been given or promised. A special effort was a fair on June

#### FORTHCOMING PEAL ATTEMPT

Ottery St. Mary, Devon, Cambridge Surprise Major, Saturday, July 8th, 9.30 p.m. approx.

### MRS. BARNETT'S FIRST TOWER BELL PEAL

The very large circle of friends of Olive and Teddy Barnett will have read with great pleasure of Olive's first peal on tower bells, this being, incidentally, her 25th peal. The story behind this peal will be of interest and perhaps of encouragement to many.

Although she learned to handle a bell to-Although she learned to handle a bell towards the end of the war and first attempted a tower bell peal about 20 years ago, Olive had no great liking for ringing on tower bells, although she was, of course, a very competent performer on handbells, on which she has rung several peals. About five years ago she joined us at our practices in London and such has been her persistence and determina-tion to reach the standard set that it is now commonplace to see her striking her bell in perfect rhythm with the others in methods as difficult as Glasgow, Yeading and the like. A particular point is that these complex methods rung at practice are always learned by Olive with meticulous care.

It has given many of us a great deal of pleasure to see this peal achieved. We look forward, following the accomplishment of this milestone of the first tower bell peal, to many others in the complex methods she rings

### MEMORIAL TO MR. E. H. STONELEY

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Many branches of public life were represented at the Boys' Club, Stoke Golding, Leicestershirc, when a memorial plaque was unveiled to the memory of Edwin Harry Stoneley, one of the county's outstanding personalities in many walks of life, not the least as a bellringer, being a member of the old Wednesday afternoon band formed in 1923 by Charles Draper and Maurice Swinfield of Burton-on-Trent. His peal total is thought to be between 550 and 600.

About 200 people squeezed into the Club, which was founded by Harry and run solely by him for several years. Speakers paid tribute to the various talents of this remarkable man, including Tom Belton, who spoke of his abilities as a bellringer.

Between the speeches, entertainment was provided by the school choir and orchestra and the Earl Shilton handbell ringers.

Harry's miniature handbells were produced, and a course of Grandsire Triples was rung by George Newton, Mrs. Jill Staniforth (president of the Leicester Diocesan Guild), Alfred Ballard and Tom Belton.

It was an evening of reminiscing and we came away feeling we had many reasons for being thankful for the life of Edwin Harry Stoneley.

T. C. B.

#### BELLS A LEGEND IN MIDLANDS

The first quarter of Major for more than 20 years wa; rung at Darlaston on May 11th. The condition of the little rung bells has been something of a legend in the Midlands. Chris Bainham regarded the tenor as the most difficult he had rung to a quarter. It is hoped that the bells will soon receive attention but in the meantime the ring is available for any courageous souls who are prepared for hard work.

ANOTHER LANCASHIRE 10-BELL TOWER St. James', Accrington, is in the process of having a ring of ten. The headstocks of treble, second and third have been taken to the foundry. Ringing is reduced to the back five until late August, when St. James' will become a 10-bell tower.

#### TOWER BELL PEALS

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.
WAKEFIELD, Yorkshire.—At the Cathedral Church of All Saints. On Sat., June 10, 1967, in 3 Hours and 38 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

lenor 35 cwt.	i qr. in D nat.
David P. Hilling Treble	Thomas J. Southam 7
Andrew N. Stubbs 2	Derek Butterworth 8
Frederick R. Scott 3	David J. Purnell 9
Richard S. Starkie 4	Michael P. Moreton 10
Martin C. Faulkes 5	Edward Jenkins 11
J. Colin Ashworth 6	Robert C. Kippin Tenor
Arranged by Roderick W. Pipe.	Conducted by David P. Hilling
The conductor's 250th peal.	

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
CLAPTON-IN-GORDANO, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Michael.
On Sat., June 3, 1967, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
In seven methods, being one extent each of Cambridge Surprise,
Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Single Court, St Clement's, Single Oxford
and Plain Bob.
Tenor 8 cwt. \*Alan C. Perry . . . . 2 George J. Hawkins . . 5
\*Harold L. Parfrey . . . . 3 \*Peter J. Devrell . . . . Tenor

Conducted by George J. Hawkins.

\* First peal in seven Minor methods. † First in seven Minor methods "inside." First in seven Minor methods as conductor. The conductor's 100th peal for the Association.

WILTON, Taunton, Somerset.—At the Church of St. George.
On Sat., June 3, 1967, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being four methods/variations, 40 extents, viz.: 2 Stedman, 12 Plain Bob, 11 April Day, 13 120's and two 240's Grandsire: 18 different Tenor 81 cwt Raymond F Arscott . Treble Brenda M. Binder . . . . 4
Marian J. Beale . . . 2
Frank Matravers . . . 3
Raymond B. Cullen . . Tenor \*Frank Matravers

\* First in four methods/variations.
Rung half-muffled in memoriam Mr. S. George Coles, ringer at the above tower for over 50 years and a representative for the above Association on the Central Council; interred earlier this day at Staplegrove Churchyard.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

Conducted by Vivian Nutton. Composed by N. Smith.

\* First peal.

Rung in memoriam Lord Tedder, formerly Chancellor of the University, who died this day.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

IGHTFIELD. Shropshire.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist.
On Fri., June 2, 1967, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In seven methods being one extent each of Childwall. St. Clement's.
Oxford T.B.. Kent T.B., Single Oxford. Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

\*Leon A. Perry . . Treble \*Geoffrey A. Edwards . 4

\*John R. Scott . . . . 5

John E. Brough . . . 3 Frank R. Morton . . . Tenor

Conducted by Frank R. Morton.

\* First peal in seven Minor methods. First in seven Minor methods as conductor.

methods as conductor.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS,
NEWTON ABBOT.—At the Church of All Saints, Highweek.
On Sat., June 10, 1967, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 SUPPEL ATIVE SUPPELS MAJOR

	ATIVE SURFRISE WAJOR
Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr	. 11 lb. in F sharp.
Frank D. Mack Treble	*John N. Longridge 5
*Merryn Hutchings 2	*D. Roy Bould 6
*Clive G. Bryant 3	Frederick Wreford 7
Martin F. Lock 4	Norman Hallett Tenor
Composed by N. J. Pitstow.	Conducted by Norman Mallett
First beat in the method	

Rung as a compliment to Sir Francis Chichester on his safe return

to Devon.

WHITCHURCH, Devon.—At the Church of St. Andrew.
On Fri., June 2, 1967, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR
seven different extents.
Tenor 13 cwt.

Being seven different extents.
H. Frederick Myers . Treble | Robert A. Southwood . . 4
Wilfred C. Boucher . . . 2
John C. Mitchelmore . . 3
Conducted by D. Roy Bould . . . . Tenor
D. Roy Bould . . . . Tenor

First peal on the bells

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
HILGAY, Norfolk.—At the Church of All Saints.
On Thurs., June 1, 1967, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In six methods, comprising 960 London, 928 Watford, 896 Bristol,
and 832 each of Cambridge, Pudsey and Superlative, with 127
changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.
Tenor 17 cwt. 5 lb. in F.

John S. Rank . . . Treble Sidney J. Woodcock . 5
Donald F. Murfet . . . 2 John G. Gipson . . . . 6
Geoffrey M. Brewin . . . 3
Derek E. Sibson . . . 4 Kenneth J. Hesketh . Tenor
Composed by Albert J. Pitman. Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.
\* First peal of Spleed Surprise Major.
Rung as a compliment to Jane-Anne and Geoffrey Pearson on the birth of a third son. Robert.

TRUMPINGTON, Cambs.—At the Church of SS Mary & Michael.
On Tues., June 6, 1967, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5280 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR

John G. Gipson . . . 6
Stuart Brown . . . 7
Kenneth J. Hesketh . . Tenor Composed by Albert J. Pitman.
\* First peal of seven spliced. Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

BRAINTREE, Essex.—At the Church of St. Michael the Archangel.

On Sat., June 3, 1967, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes,

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Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.
Albert Wiffen . . . . Treble

\*Jennifer M. Millbank . 2
Robert J. Lindsell . . 3
Cecil J. Barker . . . 4
Composed by J. E. Burton.

\* First peal of Major "inside." † First in the method.
Rung as part of Braintree Carnival celebrations.

LOUGHTON, Essex.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist,
On Sat., June 10, 1967, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5024 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 18 cwt 2 qr. 19 lb. in E.

Christopher W. Ottaway Treble
Caroline R. F. Cole . . 2 \*Michael J. Uphill . . . . 6

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MALDON, Essex.—At the Church of All Saints.
On Sat., June 10, 1967, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5024 YORK SURPRISE MAJOR

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Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in F.

Ian Foster . . . . Treble
Susan Rothera . . . 2
Josephine A. Quilter . . 3
\*Joe E. G. Roast . . . 4
Composed by C. J. Sedgley.

\* Have completed the family in the method. † 125th peal and has
"competed the circle."

Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to the ringer of the treble.

GREAT BROMLEY, Essex.—At the Church of St. George.
On Sat., April 29, 1967, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In six methods, being one extent each of Kent T.B., Oxford T.B.,
Double Oxford, Single Oxford, St. Clement's and two of Plain.
Bob.
Tenor 15 cwt.
Stephen D. Humphrey . Treble | John A. Avis . . . . . 4
Lesley Ward . . . . 2
Vivien A. P. Cross . . . 3
Brian J. Vaughan . . . Tenor

Conducted by Brian J. Vaughan. First peal as conductor.

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THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. EWYAS HAROLD, Herefordshire.—At the Church of St. Michael	
on Fri., June 2, 1967, in 24 Hours and 30 Minutes,	
A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES  In three methods, being 16 of Grandsire Doubles, 12 of Reverse Canterbury Pleasure and 14 of Plain Bob.  Reginald G. Powell Treble Michael V. Powell 4  Peter D. Sell 2 Charles Phillips 5  Leslie H. Colcombe 3 Alfred J. Williams Tenor	
Conducted by Michael V. Powell.  Rung for the restoration of this church after being dedicated on May 30th, 1967, by the Lord Bishop of Hereford.	
THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  BUSHEY, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. James the Apostle. On Thurs., June 1, 1967, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR	
In ten methods, being 960 Rutland, 640 each of Bristol, London, Watford and Wembley, and 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Pudsey, Superlative and Yorkshire, with 139 changes of method.  Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 23 lb. in F sharp.  Katherine S. Hardy Treble   *David E. Rothera 5  Christopher W. Woolley 2   *Jonathan S. N. Porter 6  *Martyn L. J. Jordan 7  Gerald Penney 4   Roger Baldwin Tenor	
*Keith J. Walpole	
Gerald Penney	
Roger Baldwin on May 25th.	
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. SEVENOAKS, Kent.—At the Church of St. Nicholas. On Sat., June 10, 1967, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,	
Tenor 16 cwt. 2 or 10 lb. in F.	
Lucile M. Corby 6	
John Pladdys 4 Philip A. Corby Tenor Composed by Stephen Ivin. Conducted by Philip A. Corby.  * 50th peal for the Association.	
CANTERBURY, Kent.—At the Church of St. Alphege. On Thurs., June 1, 1967, in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes,	
Being seven different extents.  Tenor 7½ cwt. in B.	
Rachel J. Sinden Derek J. Carr 5 Patricia A Winch David W Grimwood Tenor	
Conducted by David W. Grimwood. Rung in memoriam John S. Goldsmith, founder of "The Ringing World," who died 25 years ago this day.	
IGHTHAM, Kent.—At the Church of St. Peter. On Sat., June 3, 1967, in 2 Hours and 24 Minutes,	
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Peter S. Muchlinski 5 *Ian R. Russell 3 Christopher T. Osenton Tenor	
Conducted by Martin L. Howe.  • First peal of Surprise "inside."	
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.	
On Sun., June 4, 1967, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.  A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MAXIMUS  In 33 methods, containing 288 each of Belgrave and Yorkshire, and	
144 each of Albanian, Aldenham, Ashton, Bedford, Belvoir, Brig- stow, Cambridge, Deansgate, Feering, Gartree, Halifax, Lambeth, Langley, Lincolnshire, Lindsey, Londinium, Manitoba, Newgate,	
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John H. Fielden 4   †Neil D Lomas 10   C. Kenneth Lewis 5   Frederick Shallcross 11	
*Derek Butterworth 6   Robert B Smith Tenor  Arranged by Neil Bennett. Conducted by C. Kenneth Lewis.	
* 300th peal. † First peal of Spliced Surprise Maximus. First peal of Surprise in 33 methods by all the band and for the Association. This is the greatest number of Maximus methods ever the state of t	
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A PEAL OF 5120 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR
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Margaret Wright 2   C. L. Digby Munday 6
Michael J. Platt 3 Alan S. Burbidge 7
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First in the method for all except ringers of 2 and 4.
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Margaret Wright 3 Jeffrey Brannan 7
Margaret E. Fort 4 J. Barry Pickup Tenor
Composed by Richard J. Parker. Conducted by Frederick Shallcross.
WALKDEN, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Paul, On Sun., June 4, 1967, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes,
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Tonge 19 gust
*David Forsythe Treble   *David Makin-Taylor . 5
K. Keilb Lister Dernard Moss
Thomas Hobson 3 David Bennett 7
Composed by A. Knights.  Conducted by John Ashcroft1enor
Thomas Hobson 3  Margaret E. Fort 4  Composed by A. Knights.  * First peal in the method.  David Bennett 7  John Ashcroft Tenor  Conducted by John Ashcroft.  First peal "inside." ‡ 25th peal
together.
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BROUGIITON-IN-FURNESS, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.
On Sat., June 3, 1967. in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being three different extents of Ker.t Treble Bob and four different
extents of Plain Bob. Thor 10 cwt, 19 lb, in F sharp.
*Robert Moore Treble John Bagnall 4  †‡Joseph Whalley 2 Thomas F. Metcalfe 5
Alan Capstick
Conducted by Kevin M, Price.
<ul> <li>First in two methods. † First in two methods on tower bells.</li> <li>25th peal together. 25th as conductor. First in two methods as</li> </ul>
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SALFORD, Lancashire.—At the Church of the Sacred Trinity.
On Sat., May 20, 1967, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5120 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

June 23, 1967	THE KINGIN
STONE, Staffordshire.— At On Sat., June 10,  A PEAL OF 5040 G Grove's variation of Parker's 12-pa A. Doreen Edwards Treble *Raymond W. Balls 2 John E. Brough 3 Eric Young 4	Geoffrey A. Edwards 6 †Frank R. Morton 7 William H. Watkin Tenor
KING'S LYNN, Norfolk.—Ai On Sat., May 20, 1967, in A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBI Tenon Shelagh M. Collins . Treble Rodney H. French 2 Norman V. Harding 3 Claudia A. Critchley 4 W. Eric Critchley 5 Composed by W. Pye.	Rev. M. C. C. Melville 8 Philip Mehew 9 Richard E. Price Tenor Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.
Being eight six-scores each of Resire, St. Martin, St. Simon and Charles H. Blake Treble Wilfred G. Saunders 2  H. William Bar	he Church of All Saints. n 2 Hours and 31 Minutes, 5040 DOUBLES Everse Canterbury Pleasure, Grand- ten of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. Henry Tooke 3 I Frank C. J. Arnold 4 rett Tenor I. William Barrett. of H.M. the Queen.
THE OXFORD D FARNHAM ROYAL, Bucks. On Sat., June 3, 1967, in A PEAL OF 5040 S Thurstans' four-part. Patricia E. Hibbert Treble William Hibbert 2 *Ian L. Dear 3 *Andrew J. Slade 4 Conducted by Jo * First peal of Stedman, † Fir	John W. T. Hibbert 7 John R. Ketteringham . Tenor
Holt's 10-part. Harry E. Wells Treble Robert B. Blond 2 John H. Napper 3 Leonard F. Cox 4  Rung in honour of the marriag William L. Gilks.	the Church of St Matthew. in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes, GRANDSIRE TRIPLES  Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 26 lb. William L. Gilks 5 Michael Bishop 6 John C. Baldwin 7 Douglas R. Bosley Tenor Robert B. Blond. ge of Lesley Ann, the daughter of the Church of St. Mary the Virgin. 12 Hours and 54 Minutes, LAIN BOB MINOR d Hereward, Double Court, Child-
wall and Thelwall, Buxton, Pir	nehurst, Double Oxford and St.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

HACKNEY, E.—At the Church of St. John.
On Sat., April 22, 1967, in 3 Hours

A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

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

Yvonne Edwards ... Treble
Joan Beresford ... 2

\*Olive D. Barnett ... 6

Walter H. Dobbie ... 7

Dennis Beresford ... Tenor

Composed by Roderick W. Pipe.

\* First peal on tower bells and 25th peal. First peal on tower bells and 25th peal.

THE OXFORD UNIVERSITY SOCIETY.

COMBE, Oxfordshire. At the Church of St. Laurence.
On Mon., June 5, 1967, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,

Being seven extents in five methods: (1) Beverley S., (2) Surfleet S., (3 and 4) Cambridge S., (5) Kent T.B., (6 and 7) Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt. 15 lb. in F sharp
Vanessa C. A. Rodrigues Treble J. Paul Coad . . . . . 4

Stephen F. Royal . . . 2 Philip J. Daniel . . . . 5

Richard J. Wilsher . . . 3 Peter M. Bradford . . . Tenor

Conducted by Philip J. Daniel.

THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.
WEEDON BEC, Northants.—At the Royal Foundation Church of SS. Peter and Paul.
On Fri., April 28, 1967, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 PLAIN BOB MAJOR
Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 2 lb.
Hugh M. Johnson .. Treble | Richard J. Danby ... 5
\*Ian R. Nightingale 2 Malcolm J. V. Chown ... 6
\*Brian Danby ... ... 3 Stanley M. Ruddlesden ... 7
†Bridget Bates ... ... 4 Barrie Hendry ... Tenor
Composed and Conducted by Barrie Hendry.

\* First peal. † First on eight bells.
Rung to mark the birth of a daughter (Debra Kay) to Ken and Julie Perkins.

DESBOROUGH, Northants.—At the Church of St. Giles.
On Sat., June 10, 1967, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5088 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb. in G sharp.
Christopher J. Groome . Treble | †Norman W. Attaway . . 5
J. Edward Cawser . . . 2 | E. Alan Jacques . . . 6
\*Sheila Parsons . . . 3 | J. Martin Thorley . . . 7
Beryl E. Cawser . . . 4 | Brian S. Chapman . Tenor
Composed by William Barton. Conducted by J. Edward Cawser.
\* First peal in the method "inside." † First in the method.
Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. M. Kelleher, of Braunston, Rutland.

SILK WILLOUGHBY, Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Denis.
On Sat., May 27, 1967. in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR
Being one extent each of Double Court. Single Court, Kent Treble
Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Single Oxford, St. Clement's and Plain Bob.
Tenor 8 cwt. 3 gr. 18 lb. in A.
Michael J. Hawkins . Treble | William B. Cox . . . . 4
Ronald S. Russell . . . 2 | Harry Barnes . . . . 5
Stephen B. Bell . . . . 3 | James H. Musson . . . Tenor

Conducted by James H. Musson.

First peal as conductor.

Julie Perkins.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.
URCHFONT, Wilts.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.
On Sat., June 3, 1967, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5024 URCHFONT SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 19 cwt. in D.

W. Bertram Kynaston . . Treble | Maurice A. New |
Diana M. Chapman . . . . 2 | Peter Bridle . . . . .

Bruce Wakefield . . . . 3 | Anthony R. Peake |
Rev. Roger Keeley . . . 4 | Brian Bladon . . . To Composed by John R. Mayne. Peter Bridle . . . . 6
Anthony R. Peake . . . . 7
Brian Bladon . . . Tenor Rev. Roger Keeley . . . 4 Composed by John R. Mayne. Conducted by Anthony R. Peake.

First peal in the method.
Rung as a welcome to Nicholas William Bowden, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Bowden, born May 31st, 1967.

### TOWER CLOCKS

\* First peal in eight methods.

Clement's and Plain Bob.

\*Clive

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Clive W. Templeton .. Treble A. Keith P. Poole Catherine A. Salter .. 2 Melvyn J. Hiller
J. Richard Poole ... 3 Christopher I. Rowson Te
Conducted by Christopher I. Rowson.

\* First peal of Minor. First in ten methods by all the band.

ABINGDON, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Nicolas.
On Mon., May 29, 1967, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

In eight methods: Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Oxford T.B.,
Buxton College, Pinehurst, St. Clement's, Double Oxford and Plain
Bob.
Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 19 lb.
A. Keith P. Poole . . . Treble Jonathan R. Rowson . . 4

\*Anne M. Carpenter . 2 J. Richard Poole . . . . 5
Christopher I. Rowson . . 3 Melvyn J. Hiller . . . Tenor
Conducted by Christopher I. Rowson.

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\* First peal in seven methods.

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Christopher I. Rowson .. Tenor

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Rev. Roger Keeley 2 Frederick J. Read 5 *Colin Wilkins	
Conducted by Frederick J. Read. First peal. First by all in five methods except the ringer of the	
2nd.	
Rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Heather Jones.	
THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.	
OAKHAM, Rutland.—At the Church of All Saints. On Sat., May 27, 1967, in 3 Hours and 31 Minutes	
A PEAL OF 5280 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR	
Peter Beresford Treble Stanley G. Ponting 5	
Edgar R. Rapley 3 Howard W. Egglestone 7	
Peter Beresford 2 Edgar R. Rapley 3 Peter J. Staniforth 4  Peter J. Staniforth 4  Peter J. Staniforth 4  Composed by Roger Baldwin.	
BALDERTON, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Giles. On Sun., May 28, 1967, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,	
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JOHN K. Praichell Treble   Stanley († Ponting 5	
Joan Beresford 2 Derek E. Sibson 6 Edgar R Rapley 3 *George W. Pipe 7 *Simon Humphrey 4 Dennis Beresford Tenor Composed by John R. Mayne. * First peal in the method.	
Composed by John R. Mayne. Conducted by Derek F. Sibson	
* First peal in the method.	
GAMSTON, Nottinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.	
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one of Kent and Oxford Bob and two of Plain Bob.	
Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb. in A flat.  Grace Burchnall Treble S. Geoffrey Pick 4  Katherine Rurchnall 2 Hardd Denman	
Katherine Burchnall 2 Harold Denman 5 John A. Coates 3 A. Harry Hawcroft Tenor	
Conducted by Grace Burchnall.	-
* First peal in five methods.  Rung as a birthday peal for Mr. R. Ashworth (local captain) and Grace and Katherine Burchnall.	-
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THE SUFFOLK GUILD.	
THE SUFFOLK GUILD. GRUNDISBURGH, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary, On Sat., June 3, 1967. in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS	
lenor 8½ cwt.	
Cecil W. Pipe Treble *Brian J. Vaughan 6	
Michael J. Howes 2  *Neil V. Avis	
*Vivien A. P. Cross 4 *David E. Culham 9 *Lesley Ward 5 Stephen D. Humphrey . Tenor	
Composed by G. Lindoff.  * First peal of Grandsire Caters.  Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.	
ALDEBURGH, Suffolk.—At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul. On Fri., June 2, 1967, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES	
Hubbard's 10-part. Tenor 11 cwt. in G sharp.	
*Robert Cassidy Treble   *Ruth Woodman 5	
Jack Pilgrim 3 Peter Bedford 7	
*Stephen Bedford 4   *Harry Archer Tenor	
Conducted by Peter Bedford.  * First peal of Triples. † First of Triples as conductor. Rung on the occasion of the opening of the 20th Aldeburgh Festival	
of Music and the Arts, also the new Concert Hall at the Maltings at Snape by Her Mejesty Queen Elizabeth II.	
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. PENN, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew. On Sat., June 10, 1967, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5000 LITTLE BOB MAJOR	
On Sat., June 10, 1967, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,	
Tenor 10 cwt. 12 lb. in A.	
Flizabeth Timmins 2 Fric F. Speake 6	
†Christine Slater 3 J. Dennis Holden 7 Philip R. Johnson 4 Philip G. K. Davies Tenor	
Philip R. Johnson 4   Philip G. K. Davies Tenor Composed by N. J. Pitstow. Conducted by Philip G. K. Davies * First peal. † First in the method.	
* First peal. † First in the method. Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Gordon Griffiths, of the	
local band.	1

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. LEEDS, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Peter. On Thurs., May 18, 1957, in 3 Hours and 32 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5184 NEMPNETT BOB CATERS
M. Susan Jackson Treble  James S. Webb 2  Christopher A. Moxon 3  Alan Newbould 4  George Hancock 5  Composed by R. Brown Conducted by C. Barrie Dove
NEMPNETT BOB CATERS 789.1.9.1.9.1.9.
ROTHERHAM, Yorkshire.—At the Church of All Saints. On Sun., June 11, 1967, in 3 Hours and 22 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5057 GRANDSIRE CATERS Tenor 34½ cwt. in C sharp. Elsie Chaddock Treble J. Henry Fielden 6 *Richard Tibbetts 2 Norman Chaddock 7
†David Nichols 3 †Stuart Armeson 8  Herbert O. Chaddock . 4 John Chaddock . 9  John J. L. Gilbert 5 †Neil Donovan Tenor  Composed by E. C. Shepherd (No. 1). Conducted by N. Chaddock.  * First peal of Grandsire Caters. † 50th peal together  Rung half-muffled as a tribute to T. Colin Ryder, former tower  captain, who died on June 2nd.
SPROTBOROUGH, Yorkshire.—At the Church of St. Mary. On Sat., June 3, 1967, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 8 cm.
David J. Purnell Treble   W. Eric Critchley 5 Richard Tibbetts 2 Dennis A. Chapman 6 Neil Donovan 3 Anne P. Leigh 4 Richard E. Price Tenor Composed by S. J. Ivin. Conducted by W. Eric Critchley.
HANDBELL PEALS
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD. CAMBRIDGE.—In G2. New Court, Trinity College. On Thurs., June 1, 1967, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor size 17 in A.
Tenor size 17 in A.  R. H. Youdale (Emmanuel) 1-2   R. A. G. Inglis (Selwyn) 5-6 C. M. Tuckett (Queens') 3-4   C. W. Daws (Trinity) 7-8 Composed by Alan F. Scholfield. Conducted by Christopher W. Daws.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  MARPLE, Cheshire.—At Catesby, 71, Woodville Drive. On Tues., May 16. 1967. in 2 Hours and 18 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR  Tenor size 12 in F  David Salter 1-2   Alan McFall 5-6  C. Kenneth Lewis 3-4   Alan Burbidge 7-8  Composed and Conducted by C. Kenneth Lewis.
MARPLE, Cheshire.—At Bombay, 24, Ridge Crescent. On Tues, June 6. 1967, in 2 Hours and 16 Minutes. A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor size 11 in G. *Alan McFall 1-2   Robert B. Smith 5-6 Neil Bennett 3-4   Frederick Shallcross 7-8 Composed by N. J. Pitstow Conducted by Robert B. Smith. * First peal of Surprise Major on handbells.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  CHELTENHAM, Gloucestershire.—At 48, Willersey Road.  On Tues., June 6, 1967, in 2 Hours and 11 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5056 KENT AND OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR Ilkeston variation.  Tenor size 12 in F. Frances M. Fairbank . 1-2   Hugh N. Evans 5-6 Valerie Willard 3-4   Cyril A. Wratten 7-8 Composed by T. W. Goodyear. Conducted by Cyril A. Wratten.
Composed by I. W. Goodyear. Conducted by Cyril A. Wratten. First peal of Kent and Oxford T.B. Major "in hand" by all the band and for the Association Rung in memoriam Gladys Winifred Newbury, who died on June 2nd.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. LICHFIELD Staffordshire.—At 29, Dimbles Hill. On Fri., June 2, 1967 in 2 Hours and 20 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR Tenor size 7 in D.
Lucy Smith

#### FOUR QUARTER PEALS IN A DAY (May 26th)

EAST HENDRED, BERKS.-1,252 Plain and Little Bob Minor: J. R. Poole 1, Heather A. Alford 2, D. R. Baxter 3, J. R. Rowson 4, M. J. Hiller 5, C. I. Rowson (cond.) 6.

MILTON, BERKS.—1,296 combined Kent and Oxford T.B. Minor: C. J. Rowson (cond.) 1, L. P. Halling 2, J. R. Rowson 3, D. R. Baxter 4, A. K. P. Poole 5, M. J. Hiller 6, By Abingdon School

ABINGDON, BERKS. - At the Church of St. Heler, 1,296 Cambridge S. Minor: C. 1. Rowson L. P. Halling 2, Heather A. Alford 3, M. J. H 4, A. K. P. Poole (cond.) 5, D. R. Baxter 6. SUNNINGWELL, BERKS.—1,280 Oxford M. J. Hiller

SUNNINGWELL, BERKS.—1,280 Oxford and Little Bob, and Pinehurst and Double Oxford: L. P. J. R. Poole 2, J. R. Rowson 3 A. K. P. M. J. Hiller 5, C. I. Rowson (cond.) 6. By Abingdon School S.C.R.

ADDINGTON, SURREY. — On June 4th, 1,320 Plain Bob Minor: B. McRae (first quarter) 1, Gaynor Wallace 2, I. Wiltshire 3, E. Wallace 2, I. Wiltshire 3, E. G. H. Godfrey 4, R. Rayfield (cond.) 5, Wendy Wallace 6. Also 1,368 Oswald Delight Minor: E. G. H. Godfrey 1, Amanda Powell 2, Wendy Wallace 3, I. Wiltshire 4, R. Rayfield 5, C. H. Macve (cond.) 6, First of "Delight" by all the band, APPLEFORD, BERKS. — On May 27th, 1,279 Doubles (six methods): Catherine A. Salter 1, C. I. Rowson 2, J. R. Poole 3, A. K. P. Poole 4, M. J. Hiller (cond.) 5

BARKINGSIDE, ESSEX. - On May 28th, Grandeire Triples: G. Lonsdale 1. Barbara Shaw Valerie Jones 3, Jane Fransella 4, K. Hughes 5, Mary Wilkinson 6, D. Ellisdon (cond.) 7, D. Knewstub 8. First of Grandsire Triples 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, A 30th wedding anniversary compliment to the conductor's

BARTON ST. DAVID, SOMERSET. - On 4th, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): Miss S. A. Mayell (first in five methods) 1, Mrs. D. G. Mayell 2, D. G. Mayell 3, L. A. England 4, F. J. White 5, W. A. Pressott (cond.) 6. A compliment to Rev. Mr. Williams, on the 60th anniversary of his ordination in

St. Albans Abbey, May 26th, 1907.
BECKFORD, WORCS,—On June 7th, 1,260
Doubles (four methods): Mrs. M. A. Wratten 1, I.
Goulter 2, F. G. Nurden 3, P. Baker 4, C. A. Wratten (cond.) 5, E. T. Newbury 6. Rung halfmuffled as a last token of respect to Mrs. G. W. Newbury, wife of the tenor ringer, interred at

Beckford earlier in the day.

BENTHAM, YORKS.—On June 1st, 1,260 Plain
Bob Doubles: Doreen Maclean (first quarter) 1,
Patricia James (first "inside") 2, Dorothy M. L.
Nicholls 3, W. Kenyon 4, K. M. Price (cond.) 5,

Whalley 6.

BROCKENHURST, HANTS .- On May 22nd, 1,260 Bob Minor: Margaret Holloway (first quarter) 1, L. D. Smith 2, R. H. Roberts 3, Susan V. Banks D. C. Jackson (cond.) 5, Elizabeth A. Banks 6, First quarter by Totton Grammar School R.S.

BURES, SUFFOLK.—On June 4th, 1,280 Kent Treble Bob Major: J. J. Dingwall (first of Treble Bob) 1, Miss E. R. Cansdale 2, D. J. Reeve 3, B. C. Clampin 4, Mrs. L. Mills 5, D. W. Brooks 6, L. D. Mills 7, D. L. Mills (cond.) 8. For Evensong, and with the band's congratulations to Mr. E. P Duffield, on his recent election as Mayor of

CARHAMPTON, SOMERSET. On May CAMHAMPTUN, SUMERSET. — On May 31st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Tudball 1, S. Wyburn (cond.) 2, E. Tyndale-Biscoe 3, F. Arscott 4, W. Middleton 5, J. Frost 6. A tribute to J. H. Cridland, a local ringer, whose funeral took place this day. CASSINGTON, OXON. — On June 5th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: E. R. Venn (cond.) 1, B. Coggins 2, M. J. Turner 3, P. J. Heritage 4, D. Floyd 5, A. Histo. 6

Hicks 6

CHILDREY, BERKS.—On June 3rd, 1,260 Doubles methods): R. D. Byng 1, Elizabeth M. Barber 2, L. R. Porter (cond.) 3, P. Coad 4, R. H. Jones 5,

CHISELDON, WILTS.—On June 4th, 1,260 Plain Edward Miss J. Purser (first quarter) 1, A. J. Cox 2, F. G. Cook 3, C. D. Wilkins 4, M. E. Stracey (cond.) 5, B. Evans 6. For Evensong.

CLAPHAM COMMON, LONDON.—On May 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Rev. T. E. Creech (first away from cover) 1, Margaret A. Phelan (first "inside") 2, Irene E. Shanks 3, D. H. Netherton 4, J. R. Pratt (cond.) 5, T. Farmer 6, For Benedictions.

DONCASTER. YORKS.—On May 28th, 1,250 Rutland Surprise Major: Anne P. Leith 1, W. E. Critchley (cond.) 2, G. Jackson 3, E. J. Padgett 4, E. Dalingwater 5, F. J. Jackson 6, K. Artbux. 7, D. A. Bayles &

# **QUARTER PEALS**

DORCHESTER, OXON.—1,280 Bob Major: W. Fulker 1, D. Woodward 2, C. Woodward 3, G. McIlhone (cond.) 4, B. Gray 5, R. Tuckwell 6, C.

Holloway 7, F. Absolom 8.

DOWNHAM MARKET, NORFOLK. — On May 24th, 1,260 Bob Doubles: Kathleen Smart (first quarter) 1, N. Richardson 2, T. Rawlings 3, S. G. Elsey 4, G. Knight 5, E. H. Mastin (cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to Kathleen Smart. Also on May 29th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Kathleen Smart 1, B. Crane 2, N. Richardson 3, A. W. Smart 4, S. G. Elsey 5, G. Knight 6, E. H. Mastin (cond., cover) 7. First quarter of Minor 1, 2, 3 and 4. A birthday compliment to N. Richardson,

FULHAM, LONDON .- At All Saints', on June 4th, 1,299 Stedman Caters: M. J. Uphill 1, Gwendoline G. Meyer 2, J. R. Pratt 3, Deborah Bishop 4, A. R. Millidge 5, A. J. Hampton 6, K. J. Rider 7, A. S. Bishop 8, C. M. Meyer (cond.) 9, Taylor 10. For Evensong.

GLOUCESTER .- At the Church of St. Mary-de-Crypt, on March 19th, 1,260 Minor (two methods): I. Goulter 1, Miss J. Durston 2, H. Hawkins 3, R. Hawkins 4, L. Edwards 5, P. Gould (first as cond.) 6. After the christening of Rachel Gould, daughter of the conductor.

GROBY, LEICS .- On April 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: S. Wright (first attempt) 1, T. Isom 2, P. Forgham 3, J. Spencer 4, Rev. P. Blackman (cond.)

Mrs. Wright (first attempt) 6.

GUSSAGE ALL SAINTS, DORSET .- On March 31st, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): P. R. Board 1, Miss M. Lush 2, W. C. Shute 3, E. H. Amey 4, F. Collins (cond.) 5.

HALESOWEN, WORCS. - On June 6th, Stedman Triples: B. E. Woodall 1, M. Irene Ellsmore 2, Winnie Pretty 3, H. J. Shuck 4, L. W. Clissett 5, Molly Tromans 6, T. Greenhall 7, M. L. Lashford Rung in memory of J. H. Cox.

HALLATON, LEICS .- On June 1st, 1,272 Kent T.B. Minor: Katharine M. Thorley 1, J. M. Thorley (cond.) 2, J. C. Hudson 3, R. Russell 4, S. B. Beil 5, J. Woolley 6. Rung before the Deanery service to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Diocese

HALSTOCK, DORSET. - On May 16th, Doubles (three methods): P. R. Board 1, J. W. Marshall 2, Miss E. J. Gill 3, E. H. Amey 4, T. F. Collins (cond.) 5. First quarter on the bells. HOPE, FLINTSHIRE.—On May 5th, 1,260
Doubles: R. A. Ley 1, F. R. Evans 2, W. Price 3,
T. C. Bowley 4, E. M. Jones (first in two methods as cond.) 5, M. Williams 6. First in two methods 1. 4. 5 and 6.

HUTTON, ESSEX.—On May 21st, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): P. Mayhew 1, C. E. Hill 2, J. J. Wallett (cond.) 3, W. T. Hill 4, R. G. Jones 5, Matins, on the occasion of Mr. David Cook's ordination as a deacon at Little Ilford.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDX.-On June 4th, 1,263 Stedman Caters: P. N. Felton 1, R. J. Collis 2, June Creak 3, K. J. Darvill (cond.) 4, Mrs. K. Parr Mrs. O. L. Rogers 6, I. C. Cooper 7, H. N Rogers 8, C. H. Rogers 9, M. P. Thomas 10.

KILMERSDON, SOMERSET.-On May 14th, Plain Bob Minor: Miss L. Pomeroy 1, I. Goulter 2, H. Hawkins 3, P. J. Fowler 4, G. Pomeroy 5, P. Gould (cond.) 6 Rung before Evensong, after the christening of the grandson of Lord Hylton, Lord Licutenant of the county

KING'S LYNN, NORFOLK.—On June 4th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Shelagh R. Collins 1, R. Newson 2, W. W. Cousins 3, D. Burnett 4, C. Cousins 5, Rev. M. C. C. Melville 6, N. V. Harding (cond.) 7, J. Coles 8. For Evensong, and a farewell to tenor

KINGSWINFORD, STAFFS .- On May 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. D. Morgan 1, A. E. Morgan 2, C. Pearman 3, Dr. D. N. Layton 4, R. A. Dearman 5, D. Downing 6, C. F. Jukes (cond.) 7. N. Whitehouse 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Rev. H. D. Saunders, Rev. W. E. J. Lindfield and J. Smith (member of choir for 83 years).

LILLINGSTONE LOVELL, BUCKS. — On June 2nd, 1,260 Reverse Canterbury Bob Doubles: S. Buck 1, Hilary Knight 2, M. R. Bolton 3, Elizabeth M. Barber 4, R. H. Jones (cond.) 5. First in method for all except conductor. Rung for anniversary of

Queen's coronation, MONTACUTE, SOMERSET.—On May 31st, 1,440 W. Rendell 2, G. W. Rendell 3, D. S. Beaufoy Montacute for 331 years,

NAILSEA, SOMERSET.—On May 16th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss C. Stone (first quarter) 1. L. Derrick (cond.) 2, L. Childa 3, J. Mitchell 4, Lott 5, H. Hardwidge 6.

NASH, MON.—1,320 Cambridge S. Minor: R. J. Hall 1. Mrs. A. Pilgrim 2, Mrs. M. Bennett 3, J. Prytherch 4, M. Pilgrim 5, P. Bennett (cond.) 6. First of Surprise for 1 and 4.

NEW ROMNEY, KENT. - On May 24th, Grandsire Triples: Miss L. Terry 1, Mrs. R. Wratton 2, Miss E. Todd 3, R. J. Birch 4, L. Mannering (cond.) 5, B. G. Butcher 6, R. A. Birch 7, A. S. Phelips 8.

NORTHAMPTON, MASS., U.S.A.-On May 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Barbara Maly (first quarter) 1-2, Joan Hutchinson 3-4, Alice Dickinson (cond.) Rung to celebrate the opening of the Clark Science Center at Smith's College.

OXFORD.—At the Church of St. Aldate, on May 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Benstead 1, M. Nargett 2, E. M. Barker 3, R. Benstead 4, R. H. Allsworth (cond.) 5, A. E. Ivings 6, Rung for the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Archer, and for the christening of Michele Louise, the granddaughter of Mr. R. H. Allsworth.

OXFORD .- At the Church of St. Thomas, on May 21st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Chris Nevins (first quarter) 1. R. J. Wilsher 2, J. P. Coad 3, P. H. Mackie 4, S. K. Thompson 5, R. E. Burbery (cond.) Rung by the O.U.S.C.R. for morning service.

PETERSFIELD, HANTS. - On May 28th, 1,260 Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): Grandste and Fish Bob Boulses (7, 6, 8 Cottains).
Sally Stacey (first quarter) 1, D. Hatherly 2, R.
Tipper 3, K. Tipper (100th quarter) 4, B. Walton
(cond.) 5, K. Sansom 6, A. Betsworth 7, R. Cross
(first quarter) 8. For Evensong. A welcome to the "youth against hunger" walkers after their 20 mile walk from Portsmouth.

REDRUTH, CORNWALL.—On May 24th, 1,260 Grandsire friples: Miss B. Duck 1, M. Bowers 2, E. H. Langley 3, A. Locke 4, W. Sanders 5, G. F. Dunstan 6, A. J. Davidson (cond.) 7, R. Curnow 8. Rung half-muffled on the evening of the funeral of Percy Williams, captain of St. Euny tower and churchwarden

RINGWOOD, HANTS.—On May 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. King 1, Miss F. Riley 2, Miss F. Stocker (first of Triples) 3, W. Petrin 4 A. Fry 5, J. Claughton 6, W. Cheater (cond.) 7. Perrin 8. Rung as a farewell to J. Claughton, on his leaving for a visit to Canada.

ROLLESTON-ON-DOVE, STAFFS .- On May 25th, 1,296 Little Bob Major: J. Humphreys 1, C. Gall 2, M. J. Mulvey 3, E. Hough 4, J. P. Burton 5, N. White 6, P. R. Johnston 7, C. Bainbam (cond.) 8. First in the method by all the band. First of Major 1 and 2.

RUDDNGTON, NOTTS.—On May 21st, 1,260
Plain Bob Triples: E. Mayfield 1, D. Osbourne 2,
T. Kirkman 3, A. Newall 4, N. Handley 5, D.

Oliver (cond.) 6, S. Adams 7, A. Simpson 8.

SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.—On May 21st, 1,280
Kent Treble Bob Major: G. Wood 1, Wendy R. Austin 2, Doris G. Dobbie 3, G. Kenward 4, S. B. Dobbie 5, J. E. Clark 6, G. A. Naylor (cond.) 7. B. E. Jemmett 8. First of Kent Major for 1, 2, 6

STOKE BISHOP, BRISTOL.—On May 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. Bentley 1, Miss K. Lynas 2, Mrs. J. Gray 3, S. Bendle 4, D. Gray (cond.) 5, H. Baguley 6.

STRATFORD ST. MARY, SUFFOLK. - On May 15th, 1,260 Minor (Cambridge and Plain Bob):

15th, 1,200 Minor (Camoriage and Fiain Bob), D.
Rose (aged 14) 1, L. Wright 2, L. Nice 3, R. Rose
4, E. Nice 5, N. Rose (cond.) 6, For the 87th
birthday of H Wright, father of ringer of 2nd.
STROUD, GLOS.—On April 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire
Triples: S. Cornock (first quarter) 1, T. Pritchard 2,
F. Garland 3, T. Witts (cond.) 4, V. Deane 5, R. Ashby (first quarter) 6, R. Cornock 7, A. Howell 8. Rung half-muffled in memory of C. H. Aldridge, 20 years people's warden.

TUNSTALL, SUFFOLK .- On May 27th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Jane Hallas 1, Ruth Bedford 2, R. Cassidy 3, S. Bedford 4, J. Marjoram (cond.) 5. Archer 6.

WALTHAMSTOW.—At St. Mary's Church, on April 2nd, 1,296 Plain Bob Major: Miss J. Gamble 1. P. D. Chapman 2. Miss H. Gamble 3, K. Warner 4. D. Wright 5, E. Holman 6, D. A. Hewit 7, C. G. Wright (cond.) 8.

WOOKEY, SOMERSET.—On May 20th, 1,260 Stedman Doubles: P. Huil 1, L. A. England (first of Stedman) 2, Mrs. D. G. Mayell 3, D. G. Mayell 4, F. J. White 5, W. A. Prescott (cond.) 6, A compliment to Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Mayell, on their wedding anniversary, and a birthday compliment to Mr. F. J. Write.

Cambridge Surprise Minor: Rev. C. J. B. Marshall 1, 4, F. G. Sandy 5, T. A. Cross (cond.) 6. To mark the retirement of Preb R. T. Beechey, Vicar of

ASHTON KEYNES, WILTS .-- On May 27th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: B. Huddleston 1, C. Abbott 2, G Locke 3, R. Huddleston 4, D. Huddleston (cond.) To celebrate the wedding anniversary of Mr. and Locke

ASTON, HERTS.-On June 2nd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: K. Perrin (first of Minor) 1. Josephine Harris 2. Brenda J. Harris 3, P. C. Worthington 4, M. D. rigg 5, M. R. Worthington (first as cond.) 6.

BERRICK SALOME, OXON.—On May 15th,

1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): L. Cooper 1. C. Woodwards 2, B. Gray 3, J. Godman 4, C. Holloway (cond.) 5, J. Cherrill 6, Rung half-muffled as a mark of respect to Mr. C. Ward, for many years a ringer at this tower.

BOBBING, KENT .-- On May 29th, 1,440 Doubles (three methods): Miss H. Carter 1, Mrs. F. J. Cheal 2, F. J. Cheal 3, T. Wraight 4, R. E. Finch (cond.) 5, K. Williamson 6, A birthday compliment to the

BRADFORD-ON-AVON, WILTS.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity, on May 21st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss M. Box 1. G. B. Davis 2, N. M. Parker 3, J. Nibbs 4, P. S. Gaisford (cond.) 5, G. A. Carter 6.

BRINKWORTH, WILTS .- On May 21st. 1.260 Grandsire Doubles: P. W. Holroyd (first away from tenor) 1, H. G. Blanchard 2, F. J. Tuck (first 'inside') 3, H. E. Blacker 4, B. Evans (cond.) 5, A. Ayres 6, Rung for Evensong, and a compliment to Archdeacon L. C. Cornwell, past Rector of this

parish, on the 50th anniversary of his ordination.

BUSHEY HEATH, HERTS.—On May 28th, 1,260

Grandsire Triples: J. Southey 1, Miss M. Carruthers

2, C. Cook 3, C. W. Simpson 4, P. Saddleton 5, L.

North 6, T. Norris (cond.) 7, Mrs. E. Norris 8, For

Confirmation

CROYDON, SURREY .- At the Church of John the Baptist, on June 4th, 1,263 Stedman Caters:
Mrs. C. M. Foster 1, Mrs. F. E. Collins 2, G. H.
Humphries 3, C. M. Foster 4, F. E. Mitchell 5, N.
Brown 6, R. C. Stevens (cond.) 7, K. Taber 8,
F. E. Collins 9, I. M. Parry 10,
CLENCHWARTON, NORFOLK.—On June 4th,
1320 Plain Rob Doubles: Mrs. Spiller, J. Veice

1.320 Plain Bob Doubles: Mrs. Spiller 1, Janice Spiller (9) 2, A. Mead (11) 3, E. H. Mastin (cond.) 4. W. H. Spiller (first quarter) 5. A compliment 4. W. H. Spiller (first quarter) 5. A compliment to Rev. R. J. Barnard, on completing two years at

Clenchwarton.

DISS, NORFOLK.—On June 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Janet Hohl 1, O. P. Claxton 2, D. G. Adams 3, A. G. Harrison 4, H. B. Fuller 5, G. P. Adams (ccnd.) 6, K. S. Hohl 7, B. Gorle 8

DUSTON, NORTHAMPTON.—On May 20th, 1,440

Minor (Kent and Plain Bob): M. A. Coleman 1, B.

Vickers 2, Mary Coleman 3, J. Knight 4, B. R. Care (cond.) 5, C. Stokes 6, HARESFIELD, GLOS.—On May 28th, 1,320 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Pillinger 1, Miss P. Buckland 2, D. Tomlins (first as cond.) 3, R. Page (first outsite) 4, Screen (C. William)

(first quarter) 4. P. Screen 5. G. Whalley 6. For the induction of the Rev. Mr. Wood as Vicar.

HAYES, KENT.—On May 14th. 1,296 Cambridge
Surprise Minor: J. W. Smith 1, Miss H. Oakshett 2,
M. F. Oakshett 3, M. H. O'Callaghan 4, T. Lewis

D. P. Smith (cond.) 6.

HENBURY, BRISTOL,-On May 28th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: R. Huddleston 1. C. Abbott 2, G. Locke 3, B. Huddleston 4, F. Bloomfield 5, D. Huddleston (cond.) 6. A farewell to the Vicar, Canon E. C. Davey.

HESSLE, YORKS.—On June 4th, 1,440 Kent Treble Bob Minor: Mrs. F. Ross 1, Miss E. Moss (first in method) 2, M. Hawtree 3, R. C. Hawtree 4, R. R. Horton (first as cond.) 5, Rev. F. Ross 6.

For Evensong.

HILGAY, NORFOLK .- On May 27th, 1,344 Bob Maior: Susan Phillips (15) 1, G. Knight 2, P. Thomas (15) 3, D. Gagen (13) 4, E. Cousins 5, E. H. Mastin (cond.) 6, K. Phillips (first "Inside") 7, G. Mann 8. First quarter of Bob Major 1, 2, 3 and 4. Also on May 30th, 1,344 Bob Major: G. Titmarsh (first quarter) 1 S. G. Elsey 2, P. Thomas 3, M. (fits: quarter) 1 S. G. Elsey 2, P. Thomas 3, M. Bryan 4, D. Gagen 5, A. Rolfe 6, E. Cousins 7, E. H. Mastin (cond.) 8. Rung half-muffled in memoriam George W. Johnson (76), ringer at this church over 60 years, interred this day. Also on June 5th, 1,260 Bob Minor: A. Mead 1, S. G. Elsey 2, E. H. Mastin (cond.) 3, V. Bowen 4, W. H. Sniller 5, E. Cousins 6, G. Titmarsh (cover) 7. First of Minor 1 and 5, HULL, YORKS.—At 2, Cavendish Road, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Maris C. Stephenson (first "in hand") 1—2, R. Ducker 3—4, J. Leary (cond.) 5—6. A compliment to J. Leary, on his birthday, also his first quarter

kis first quarter
KINGSTON UPON THAMES, SURREY.— On
June 4th, 1,320 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss B, Moorhy
1, J, Null (first quarter) 2, W, Jackson 3, Miss L,
Nawes 4, B, Stone 5, Miss A, Bruce 6.

### QUARTER PEALS

LYMPNE, KENT.—On June 4th, 1,320 Doubles

LYMPNE, KENT,—On June 4th, 1,320 Doubles (seven methods): R. P. Brotherston I, B. Butcher 2; Elizabeth Todd (cond.) 3, H. P. Yates 4, G. Neilson 5, R. Gemmell 6. For Family Communion. MARCH, CAMBS.—On June 4th, 1,260 Minor GSt. Clement's and Plain Bob); M. Goakes 1, A. Palmer 2, P. H. Langton 3, W. Moore 4, D. Feck 5, T. A. Bevis (cond.) 6. Rung prior to Morning Prayer. A compliment to Rev. Canon R. J. P. Peyton-Burbery, on completing 60 years in the ministry, and for the 18th birthday of Gillian Anderson.

MARSTON, OXON.—On May 21st, 1,260 Doubles (11 methods): R. Byng 1, L. R. Porter 2, G. A. C. Porter 3, N. D. Deam (cond.) 4, A. Gammon 5, For Evensong. Also on June 4th, 1,260 Doubles (three methods): S. Buck 1, L. R. Porter 2, M. R. Bolton (first in three methods "inside") 3, N. D. Deam 4, R. H. Jones (cond.) 5. For Parish Com-

munion.

MILTON, KENT.—On June 4th, 1,260 Grandsire
Doubles: E, Stuart 1, Mrs, E, M. Mitchell 2, Tony
Binding (first "inside") 3, T. Barnard 4, C. Osenton
(cond.) 5, S. Clack 6. First quarter 1, 4 and 6,

MONKEN HADLEY, HERTS.—On May 28th,
1,260 Grandsire Triples: W. Bradbrook 1, C. W.
Ward 2, M. J. Soper 3, A. Price 4, P. Cuckson
(cond.) 5, C. King 6, T. Pink 7, W. J. Langley 8.
A compliment to the conductor, on the birth of bis

A compliment to the conductor, on the birth of his second son, Michael Huw,
NETHERTON, Dudley, WORCS.—On June 4th,
1.272 Plain Bob Minor: J. Macefield 1, Miss M. I.
Ellsmore 2, J. Durham 3, R. J. Lees 4, M. J.

Fellows (cond.) 5, R. Edwards 6, For Confirmation, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.—At the Church of St. George's, Jesmond, on June 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: Joy Askew 1, J. Pardoe 2, R. Askew 3, Diane Telfer 4, A. Craddock (cond.) 5, G. White 6, S. Pardoe 7, P. Martin 8. First in method 1, 3

OLD ALRESFORD, HANTS .- On June 3rd, 1,300 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Dorothy M. Huggins 1, K. Sansom 2, J. Huggins 3, A. Reeves 4, Walton (cond.) 5, R. Joyce 6. For the wedding

anniversary of the ringers of 1 and 3.
OSSETT, YORKS.—On June 4th, 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: Pamela A. Lockwood (aged 10) 1. Margaret
White 2. Patricia Lockwood (cond.) 3. D. S.
Lockwood 4. M. L. Bennett 5. I. Slack 6. M.
Johnson 7. E. Robinson 8. I. North 9. M. L.
Lockwood 10. Rung as a congratulation to the tower captain, Councillor Fred Bennett, on his appointment as Mayor of Ossett.

appointment as Mayor of Cassett.

PADBURY, BUCKS.—On May 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. Thatcher 1, F. Vickers 2, R. A. Vickers 3, C. Gough 4, W. A. Yates (cond.) 5.

A Thatcher 6, Rung for the village feast.

PAUL, CORNWALL—On June 3rd, 1,260 Doubles

(two methods): Diane Carter 1, B. Langley 2, J. J. George 3, M. Bowers 4, W. R. Curtis (cond.) 5, R.

PEMBROKE.—On June 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor A. Lingard 1, S. Rogers 2, Prudence Pattison (first "inside" and of Minor) 3, Mrs. B. M. Rogers 4 Miss N. M. Rosen 5, P. C. Rogers (cond.) 6, Russant (cover) 8.

PERSHORE, WORCS .- On May 27th, 1.296 Plain Rev. A. Webb 3, I. Lloyd 4, P. Robertson 5, M. Powell 6, A. C. Berry (cond.) 7, D. Beacham 8, A wedding compliment to Mr. D. Trigg. Also a compliment to Sir Francis Chichester, on his epic

PLUCKLEY, KENT.—On June 1st, 1,260 Single Oxford Bob Minor: Jennifer Manger 1, Sylvia Knight 2, B. Johnson 3, E. Clifton 4, D. C. Manger (cond.) 5, F. Huckstepp 6, PONTYPRIDD, GLAM.—On June 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (4, 6, 8 behind): F. J. Thyer 1, 1, John 2, L. Darch 3, W. H. Gray 4, A. Nicholls B. Partridge (first convers) 6 P. D. W. Kesley.

5. R. Partridge (first quarter) 6. D. W. Kerley (cond.) 7, G. J. Davies (first quarter) 8. To celebrate the wedding this day of Miss Elizabeth Phillips and Mr. Malcolm Williams, both members of the

PORTSMOUTH, HANTS.—At the Cathedral, on June 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Draper 1, Jennifer Tyack 2, Gillian Boyd 3, J. R. Taylor 4, F. Fagg 5, A. Buswell 6, A. Sturgess (cond.) 7, P. Gilliver 8. For the annual service of the Guild of Friends of Portsmouth Cathedral.

RUSHALL, STAFFS .- On May 20th, 1,440 Spliced Kent and Oxford T.B. Minor: Miss J. Beech 1, F. Beech 2, J. Humphreys (first "inside") 3, J. P. Burton 4, N. White 5, C. Bsinham (cond.) 6, First in the methods by all. NOTICES

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS** 

MITCHELL.—As from June 23rd, the address of Mrs. E. M. Mitchell, of Gravesend, will be: 11, Victoria Road, Southwick, near

SADLER.—After July 4th, the address of E. Ann Sadler will be: c/o 10, Grove Hill, St. Mawes, Truro, Cornwall. Tel. St. Mawes 300.

PERSONAL

"If thou, Lord, shouldest make inquiries, O Lord, who shall stand? But there is forgiveness with Thee, that thou mayest be feared."—Psalm cxxx, 3 and 4.

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**MISCELLANEOUS** 

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Annual OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — Annual Festival, Oxford, Saturday, July 1st, 10 a.m. ringing at Christ Church; 11 a.m. service in the Cathedral; 12 noon business meeting; 12.45 for 1.15 lunch at Christ Church, Tickets for lunch 9s. Applications for tickets accompanied by remittances and s.a.e. to Miss D. J. Pollard 49, Foxborough Road, Radley, Abingdon, Berks, by Monday, June 26th.

> PITSFORD, NORTHANTS Restoration Centenary Festival June 30th-July 2nd.

Bells available Sat., July 1st, 2-6 p.m. Festival of floral art in church gardens open. Teas available. All welcome.

THE LADIES' GUILD Annual General Meeting, Sat., July 1st, at Lincoln.

Committee meeting 11 a.m. in Consistory Court. Service 12 noon in Cathedral. Buffet lunch available in Chapter House. Meeting 2 p.m. in Consistory Court. Dinner 6 p.m. for 6.30 p.m., Moor Lodge, Branston. Bells available: Cathedral (12) 10.45-11.45 a.m. and 2-5.15 p.m.; St. Giles' (8) 2-4 p.m.; St. Peter at Gowts' (6) and St. Botolph's (6) 3-4 p.m.; Waddington (6) 3-4.30 p.m.; Harmston (8) 3.30-5 p.m.; Washingborough (8) 4-5.30 p.m.; Branston (6) 5 p.m. 5.30 p.m.; Branston (6) 5 p.m.

Names, with cash, please, and s.a.e. for tickets for buffet lunch (4s.) and/or dinner (£1-5-0) to Mrs. A. Richardson, Glyn Garth, Surfleet, Spalding, Linco

PAKEFIELD. LOWESTOFT, SUFFOLK.— Practice night changed from Friday to Thursday as from June 15th.—P. Kindred. 1753

# **NOTICES**

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**MISCELLANEOUS** ACCRINGTON, LANCS.—Bells reduced to back five until September. Practices may be irregular. During holiday period some practices and service ringing may be cancelled. Please check before coming.—R. Leigh, 321, Willows Lane, Accrington. Phone 33049 (week-nds).

SAINTS', HUNTINGTON (York) Will all intending visitors please note that peal attempts are now limited to one per month. Visitors on tour, etc., are welcome as before. All bookings for the bells to the secretary, A. Colin Banton, 4, Auster Bank Crescent, Tadcaster, York.

BARNSLEY & DISTRICT SOCIETY
The Annual Shield Contest will be held
at Bradfield, near Sheffield, on Saturday,
July 8th, in conjunction with the Bradfield Flower Festival, details of which
may be obtained from Mr. Plant, Upper

may be obtained from Mr. Plant, Upper Bradfield.

To enter the contest, intending participants must send 10s. entrance fee and, if possible, names of team members, to the Secretary, Mr. T. Tarbatt, 7a, Manorstead, Skelmanthorpe, near Huddersfield, as soon as possible. Names for tea must be sent to Mrs. Baxter, Castle Laithe, High Bradfield, Sheffield.

This contest is open to any band and will be judged by Mr. H. Chant.

DANBURY, ESSEX.—Removal of existing x bells for recasting and augmenting to ght. No ringing until further notice.— Roast.

J. E. G. Roast.

DAVENTRY BRANCH OUTING.—Saturday, July 1st. To those concerned: Coach will leave Daventry Market Place at 7.45 a.m. prompt.—F. W. Hancock.

FRAMPTON COTTERELL, near Bristol.—Fingers' Day, Saturday, July 1st. The following towers are available: Tytherington, Cromhall, Tortworth (10 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.). Iron Acton, Yate, Chipping Sodbury (11.30 a.m.). to 1 p.m.), Westerleigh, Coalpit Heath (2 p.m. to 3 p.m.). Frampton Cotterell from 2 p.m. Teas available from 4.30 p.m. Handbell competition at 7 p.m. Barbecue, social evening with male voice choir to follow. Names for tea and barbecue to H. Taysom.

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GNOSALL, STAFFORD Ringers' Service, July 2nd, 6.30 p.m.

After the service the St. Lawrence's Junior Handbell Ringers will play a selection of tunes in the schoolroom. Visitors welcome. Refreshments.

### ST. HELEN'S, DARLEY DALE

June 25th, 1967.

Ringers' Sunday.

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion.

10.30 a.m. Matins.

6.30 p.m. Ringers' Family Service. Preacher: The Rector.

Ringing times:

10.00 a.m. to 10,30 a.m. 5.45 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. 7.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

All ringers and friends welcome.

#### ST. MARY'S, SWANAGE, DORSET

Ringers' Service

Evensong 6.30 p.m., Sunday, June 25th. Ringing from 5.30. Refreshments and ringing after service. Preacher, Rev. R. N. Longridge. Visitors welcome. 1737

ST PETER'S, HENFIELD, SUSSEX. Change of secretary. New secretary is: Mr. R. M. Leadley, Moonrakers, Broomfield Road, Henfield Sussex. Telephone Henfield 2985.

SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY. Est. 1623. The 344th anniversary of Great Ringing Day will be held on Saturday, June 24th. Bells (2) available from 11.30 a.m. 12-bell ringing.—L. E. Pitstow, 4, Highfields. Phone

SELSTON, NOTTS.—Rose Festival will be held from Friday, June 30th, to Monday, July 3rd, inclusive. Viewing from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. The six bells will be available 2.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. on Saturday, July 1st. Unique tower service Sunday, July 2nd, 3 p.m. Tea will be available on Saturday for those notifying Mr. A. L. Rawson, 14, Lindley Street, Selston, Notts, by Thursday previous. NOTTS.-Rose Festival will be

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. — St. St. Mary's, Calne, "Flower Festival," July Ist and 2nd. Ringing 3.30 p.m.-4.30 p.m. Visiting ringers welcome. 1803

UFFINGTON, BERKSHIRE.—Flower Festival, July 7th. 8th, 9th. Ringing parties specially welcome, also ringers. 7th, 8th, 6 p.m.; 9th, 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Arrange with Vicar, Uffington Vicarage, Berkshire. 1810

UNIVERSITY OF WALES SOCIETY OF CHANGE RINGERS.—Summer Tour in Warwickshire, August 30th-September 5th. Those interested please write to Miss S. Harber, 12,

CHANGE RINGERS.—Summer Tour in Warwickshire, August 30th-September 5th. Those
interested please write to Miss S. Harber, 12,
Ely Road, Llandaff, Cardiff, by July 15th.
YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.— Eastern
District.—Practice meeting, Goole (8), Thursday, June 29th, 7 to 9 p.m. Methods: (1)
Rounds, call changes, plain hunt, (2) Plain
Bob. (3) Stedman, (4) Cambridge Surprise
Major. Ringing Master, Mr. D. S. Johnson.
All welcome.—R. Ducker, Dis. Sec. 1774

#### **MEETINGS**

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BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. —

Axbridge Branch.—Practice at Wick St. Lawrence (5) Saturday, June 24th, 5 p.m. — M.
Legg, Branch Sec. 1809

CHESTER GUILD.—Stockport Branch.—

Meeting at Rostherne, June 24th. Bells 3.
Service 4,30. Tea 5.15, For tea, please advise Miss E. Jackson, 1. The Square, Rostherne. All welcome.—C. K. Lewis. 1756

DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.—

Ouarterly meeting on Saturday, June 24th, at

Quarterly meeting on Saturday, June 24th, at St. Mary's, Oldswinford. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. Bells available after meeting. 1812 ELY ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch—Meeting, Walsoken, Saturday, June 24th. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—J. Fox. Dis. Sec. 1745

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD .- Farnham District.—District Striking Competition at Aldershot, Saturday, June 24th. Names for tea to Mrs. B. R. Simpson, 45, Southwood Road, Cove. Farnborough, Hants. (Farn-borough 41792.) Normal ringing after tea. OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — East Berks and South Bucks Branch. — Evening meeting at West Wycombe, Saturday, June 24th. Ringing on the eight bells from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. All welcome.—Miss Hague. 1728

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. — West Dorset Branch.—Meeting, Loders, Saturday, June 24th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to J. Davis, Mount, Melplash, Bridport. All welcome. 1712

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STAFFORD ARCHDEACONRY SOCIETY.
Annual general meeting at Lichfield on Saturday, June 24th. Bells available: Cathedral (10) 3-4 p.m.; St. Michael's (6) 3.30-4.15; St. Chad's (4) 3.30-4.15. All available together with St. Mary's (8) during the evening after the meeting. No ringing during service, please, which is in the Cathedral choir stalls 4.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting in St. Michael's Church Hall. Seating limited so numbers for tea as soon as possible, please, to C. M. Smith, 29, Dimbles Hill, Lichfield, Staffs. Tel. Lichfiel 4539. Please support business meeting.—C. M. S., Hon. Sec.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—
Eastern Division.— Meeting, East Hoathly,
June 24th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea
5 p.m. Ringing after tea. Names for tea
to me at Cartref, 3, Arundel Close, Hawkswood, Hailsham. Tel. 3515.—G. FitzHugh,
Div. Sec.

# SS. PETER AND PAUL'S, WARSOP, NOTTS

FLOWER FESTIVAL, 1967

Wed., June 28th, to Sun., July 2nd. All visitors, especially ringers, will oe welcome to the ancient and beautiful Parish Church of Warsop during the Flower and Patronal Festival.

Wed., June 28th.—Opening service 7. Viewing and ringing until 9 p.m.

Viewing and ringing until 9 p.m.

Thurs., June 29th—Patronal Festival.
Parish Communion 7.30 p.m.
Viewing 2.30-7.15 p.m. Viewing and ringing 8.30-9.30 p.m.

Fri., June 30th.—Viewing 2.30-9 p.m.

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Sat., July 1st.—Viewing 10.30 a.m.—9 p.m.
Sun., July 2nd.—Viewing 3 p.m.—6 p.m.
Services, 8 a.m. Holy Communion, 9.30 a.m. Parish Communion, 9.30 a.m. Parish Communion.

Celebrant and preacher the Lord Bishop of Southwell. 6.30 p.m.
Evensong and sermon. Ringing 3 p.m.—6.30 p.m.
Refreshments available during all viewing hours throughout the Festival.

Local ringers will be in attendance during all published ringing times. Proceeds will be used towards the augmentation of the bells from 6 to 8.

ARCHDEACONRY OF HALIFAX GUILD.
—Meeting at Heptonstall, Saturday, July 1st.
Bells 2.30 p.m. Liquid tea only provided; please bring own food. Practice method: Yorkshire Surprise Major.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.—Bath Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Bathampton (6), Saturday, July 1st. Usual arrangements except that tea has been arranged in conjunction with the church fete.—Alan F. Lee. Hon. Sec.

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BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.—Ilchester Branch.—Practice meeting, St. Martin of Tours', West Coker, Yeovil (8 bells, tenor 12 cwt.), July 1st, 7-9 p.m.—Mrs. M. Legget, Branch Hon. Sec., Coker Hill, West Coker.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bed-

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - Bedford District.—Quarterly meeting, Felmersham, Saturday, July 1st. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names to C. Payne, 4, Grange Road, Felmersham, Beds, by June

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Warwick Archdeaconry District — Meeting at Southam (8), July 1st. Bells 3.15-4.45 and 6-8 p.m. Plenty of tea for all at Southam Church Fete (400 yards from Church on main Leamington Road).—R. W. S.

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Syston District.—Evening practice meeting, Mount-sorrel (8), Thursday, June 29th. Ringing 7,36 1763

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—
Ouarterly general meeting. Ashford-in-theWater Saturday, July 1st. Service 4.30 p.m.,
followed by tea and meeting Bells available:
Bakewell (8) 2.30 p.m.-3.30 p.m.; Ashford-inthe-Water (new 6) 3.15 p.m. and after meeting.
Names for tea, please, by June 27th.—B. P.
Morris, 14, Greenway, Ashbourne, Derbys.
ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—The Final of the
Striking Competition will be held at Roydon
on Saturday, July 1st commencing at 2.36
prompt. M.C., Mr. K. Wood. Service 4.30
Names for tea to Mr. G. Blake, Hamlet House,
Roydon Hamlet, Harlow, by Thursday, June
29th, please.
GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN

Roydon Hamlet, Harlow, by Thursday, June 29th, please.

GLOUCESTER & BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Cheltenham Branch. — Half-annual meeting at Blockley (6), 3 p.m.—4 p.m. and Chipping Campden (8) 6 p.m.—7.30 p.m., July 1st. Service and business meeting before and after tea respectively. Names for tea to Mrs. A. Newing, Blockley, Moreton-in-Marsh, Glos. as soon as possible.

1777

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.—South West Branch.—There will be a practice meeting at Modbury (6) on Saturday, July 1st, from 6.30 to 9 p.m. Visitors welcome.—R. A. Southwood, Branch Sec.

GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.—N.E. Branch — Quarterly meeting at Rewe, Saturday, July 1st. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15, with tea and business after. Names for tea, please, to G. W. Hollis, 26, The Avenue, Tiverton, by previous Thursday.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Watford District.—Abbots Langley, July 1st, 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Evening ringing Langleybury, 6.30 p.m. Names to G. R. Fielding, 130, Abbots Road, Abbots Langley.—G. W. Seaman, Dis Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Stevenage (8), Saturday, July 1st. Bells 6 p.m. Business meeting during evening. Everyone welcome.—C. M. Orme, Hon. Dis. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Fylde

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Lancs. 1758
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD—Leicester District.—Meeting at Arnesby, July 1st.
Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5 p.m., followed by meeting. Names for tea to Mr.
E. R. Page, St. Peter's Road, Arnesby, Leicester, by June 28th, please.—Ron Hughes, 1773
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Eastern Branch.—Meeting at Bureh-le-Marsh on Saturday, July 1st. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. for those who notify me by Monday, June 26th.—Mrs. R. Rey nolds, 9, Abbey Crescent, Swineshead, Boston, Lincs.

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MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD. — Next meeting at Stretton. near Burton-on-Trent, Saturday, July 1st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Horninglow (6) bells also available 3 to 4 p.m. All welcome. 1799 NORTH STAFFS ASSOCIATION. — Meeting at Eccleshall on Saturday, July 1st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. A. Whittall, Ivy Mount, High Street, Eccleshall. Staffs, by previous Wednesday.—D. J. Midgley. Hon. Sec. 1808 NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Open Striking Competition will be held at Drayton on July 1st at 2.45 p.m. Service 6 p.m. Handbell Festival 7 p.m. Changes, tunes, and tape recordings. Visitors welcome. Names for tea, please, to Mrs. A. Waterson, 21, Cator Road. Drayton, Norwich.—F. C. Goodman. SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. —Devizes Branch. — Quarterly meeting, Christ Church. Bradford-on-Avon (8), Saturday, July 1st. Ringing at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Meeting to follow. Holy Trinity (8) available 6.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. B. Jones, 69. Newtown, Bradford-on-Avon, Wilts. 1769

### SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT GUILD RINGING AND FLORAL FESTIVAL AT PRITTLEWELL

on July 8th, 9th and 10th

Ringing arrangements for Saturday, July 8th.

	Route 1		Local Towers
9.00-10.00	Kelvedon (6), 21-0-13.	11.15-12.15	S. Benfleet (6), 12-0-0.
9.45-10.45	Witham (8), 18-0-0.	12.00- 1.00	Rayleigh (8), 16-0-0.
10.15-11.00	Maldon (8), 13-0-0.	2,00- 3.15	Gt. Wakering (6), 8-1-2.
10.45-11.30	Purleigh (6), 12-0-0.	2.00- 3.15	Our Lady of Lourdes.
	Route 2		Leigh-on-Sea (8) 25-0-0.
9.00-10.00	Dunmow (8), 21-1-0.	2.30- 4.00	St. Mary's, Prittlewell
9.45-10.30	Fyfield (6), 7-0-0.		(10), 18-2-0. Service at
10.30-11.15	Shenfield (6), 9-0-0.		4 o'clock. Preacher,
10.45-11.30	Hutton (5), 7-0-0.		Canon Gilbert Thurlow,
	Route 3		M.A., F.S.A., F.R.Hist.S.
9.00-10.15	Hornchurch (8), 19-3-0.		Thorpe Bay (8), 16-0-0.
10.00-10.45	Orsett (6), 11–0–0.	7.00- 8.30	St. Clement's, Leigh-on-
10.15-11.15	Stanford-le-Hope (8), 11-2-0.		Sea (6), 10-1-11,
10.45-11.30	Fobbing (8), 11–2–0.	With Prittle	well open throughout the
	Other Towers		evening.
11.15-12.15	Southminster (8), 12-0-0.		
12.30- 1.15	Burnham-or-Crouch (6), 10-0-0.	. For chiming o	only, see Bellfounders' Page
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next week.

Ringing arrangements for Sunday, July 9th, at St. Mary's, Prittlewell.

8.45 for 9.30 Service.

5.30 for 6.30 Evensong and Special Ringers'

10.25 for 11.00 Service.

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3.00-4.00 Ringing.

The Floral Festival in St. Mary's Church, Prittlewell — July 8th. 9th and 10th.

With flower arrangements by the combined local floral groups will be well worth a visit, so bring your friends and enjoy the festival with us.

Car parking facilities and refreshments with a ringers' tea in the Guildhall after 4 o'clock service on Saturday, July 8th.

Any other information from, and names for tea (early, please), to G. Eve, 8, Crossfield Road, Southend-on-Sea, Essex.

#### SHROPSHIRE ASSOCIATION

Annual General Meeting, Saturday, July 8th, 1967
Service at St. Chad's, Shrewsbury, 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting in St. Chad's Hall.

Ringing Arrangements:

Names for tea to F. Beddow, 7, Judith Butts, Shrewsbury, by Saturday, July 1st. No name, no tea.

SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. —
Monthly meeting. Campsall, July 1st. Bells
2:30. Service 4.15. Tea (mod. charge) 5.
Names to Rev. H. Lee, The Vicarage, Campsall. Doncaster, before June 28th.
SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Notingham District.—Saturday, July 1st, Sutton
Bonington (5) at 3 p.m.; Kingston-on-Soar
(6), 6 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. C. Wood,
30, Main Street, Sutton Bonnington, by June
28th.—S. Adams.
SURREY ASSOCIATION—Northern
District.—Quarterly meeting on Saturday, July
1st. Ringing at Wimbledon 2:30-4 p.m. Service at All Saints', Kingston, 4:30 p.m., followed by tea and meeting in the Church Hall,
Ashdown Road Evening ringing at Kingston.
Special method: Yorkshire Royal. Names for
tea to Miss A. M. Mann, 125a, Putney Bridge
Road. Putney, S.W.15.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION—Northern Division. — Meeting, Withyham (8),
Saturday, July 1st, 3 p.m. Service 4:30 p.m.
Tea 5 p.m. Ringing 6-8:30 p.m. After tea Mr.
George Jennings will give his second talk on
"Grandsire." Names for tea to Mrs. Jean
Osbon. 79, Blount Avenue, East Grinstead
(Tel: E.G. 23815) by Wednesday, June 28th.
1792

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-S. and W. District.—Surprise Major practice at Feltham. Wednesday, July 5th, 7.45-9.15 p.m. All standard methods.—C. H. Rogers. 1788

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.— Monthly meeting, Burstwick (6), Saturday, July 8th. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting 5 p.m. Please bring own food; cups of tea available, 1800

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Meeting at Hever, Saturday, July 8th. Bells 3 p.m. Please bring picnic tea. (Barbecue postponed until later date.)—RF I 1006

8th. Bells 3 p.m. Please bring picnic tea.
Barbecue postponed until later date.) —
B.E.J. 1806
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—Quarterly meeting at Harrietsham (8), Saturday, July 8th. Ringing 3 p.m.
Service .30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J.
Betts, Redhouse, Fairbourne Road, Harrietsham.—M.L. H.
LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
Hinckley District.—Quarterly meeting, July
8th. Bells available: Earl Shilton (8) 9.30
a.m. to 10.15; Stoney Stanton (8) 10.15 to 11:
Broughton Astley 11 to 12 noon; Leire (6)
1 p.m to 2 p.m.; Claybrooke (8) 2 to 3 p.m.:
Burbage (8) 3 to 4 p.m.; Hinckley 3,30 to
4,30 p.m. Service Hinckley 4,30 p.m. Tea
5,15 p.m in Church Hall. Social evening at
the Prince of Wales, Hinckley. Please give
this meeting your full support. Names for tea
to A. Ballard. 128, Leicester Road, Hinckley,
not later than Wednesday, July 5th.—A. James
Poynor, Hon. Gen Sec. 1797
LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH ASSOCIATION.—Monmouth Branch.—Meeting on
July 8th now at Usk. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m.
Service 4 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. Lionel
Jones, Heathfield, Monmouth Road, Usk.
Mon. by July 3rd, please. 1749
PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—
Kettering Branch.—Meeting at Cranford (6).
July 8th. Bells 3 p.m Service 4.15 p.m.
Special method: Cranford Surprise. All welcome. Names for tea to Mr. C. H. Newell.
19. Thrapston Road, by week previous.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.— South Eastern
District.—District practice, Galleywood, June
28th. 7.30 to 9 p.m. All welcome.—I. R.
Panton, Dis. Sec.

#### THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD

Annual General Meeting, 1967

The A.G.M. will be held at Portsmouth on Saturday, July 1st. Arrangements are as follows:

2.30 p.m 4.30 p.m. 5.15 p.m.

Names for tea should be sent by Wednesday, June 28th, to Miss Lloyd, Provost's Secretary, Cathedral Office, St. Thomas' Street, Portsmouth. Tel. 23300

Ringing Arrangements:

Curdridge (8) and Droxford (4) 10.30-11.30, Shedfield (8). Soberton (8) and Hambledon (6) 11-12; Titchfield (6) and Catherington (6) 11.30-12.30; Havant (8) 12-1; Portsea (8) 12.30-2; Portsmouth Cathedral (10) 12.30-2.30 and after tea.

D. J. Forder, Hon. Gen. Sec. 1727

#### TUITION TEASERS-No. 4 ROPE FLY-OUT

- What is the handling error which causes the rope to fly out in front of the ringer as the sally rises to handstroke? (From the Rabbits' Guild.)
- we need a diagram, but in its absence (cost) we may consider an analysis of the complete backstroke, i.e. consider what precedes the "sally rising to handstroke," as you put it. It is, of course, the "sally fall," and this is preceded by the pull-off part of the backstroke, when the rope comes downwards from the highest position attained by the rope's when the rope comes downwards from the highest position attained by the rope's end. The crux of the whole matter is that this downward movement of the rope, from the boss or rope-hole in the ceiling (or guide frame) must be "straight down," or vertical. So that if the learner is (see "Tuition Teasers" Nos. 2 & 3):

  (i) Standing correctly in relation to the rope-fall, and

  (ii) Pulling correctly with all arm joints flexing.

flexing,
the sally will pass down then up again,
within about three or four inches of the
front of the body. There will then be
no "fly-out," to use your expression.
But our analysis shows that there are

But our analysis snows that there are four factors that may, either singly or in varied combination, upset this rope-fall. Three arise from faulty performance or handling error, while the fourth is functional or mechanical. (The remedy is given in each case.)

- Fault. Stiff arm action, i.e. elbow and wrist joints not flexing.
- (2) Fault. Shoulders (and therefore arms) brought forward by undue bending movement from the hips. In either case the effect is the same: pull is not vertical close to the body but in an arc of a circle (more or less), out and away from the ringer. (Remedy for these two in "Tuition Teaser" No. 2.)
- in "Tuition Teaser" No. 2.)

  (3) Fault. "Tipping the sally." This is infrequent, but does occur. Pupil is over anxious about catching sally, and too soon releases his upper-hand hold on rope's end (see "Tuition Teaser" No. 3), his opened fingers "tipping the sally" to swing out of its vertical line of travel. Remedy is to retain upper-hand grip to bottom of stroke (straight arms), transferring it to sally when latter has turned from "down" to "up."

  (4) Functional. The source of the trouble is known as "drawing" of the rope and occurs occasionally,
- trouble is known as "drawing" of the rope and occurs occasionally, the rope's line of travel being "drawn" out of the vertical, between on the one hand the guidewheel (or pulley) and boss in the floor of the bell chamber, and, on the other hand, the same in the floor of the room below. This "drawing" of ropes is done to make a satisfactory "rope circle" in the ringing chamber below; but

the "drawn" line of travel of the rope tends to continue (after passing through the ringing room the rope tends to continue (after passing through the ringing room ceiling boss) in the direction of the draw. This may be in any direction round the full 360 degrees from the ringer as centre. In circumstances where this malfunctioning is marked, a single boss only will be found to be employed; in what is both the ceiling of the ringing chamber and the floor of the room above it, combined. When, however, there is a separate floor immediately above the ringing chamber ceiling, two bosses are employed, and their vertically spaced setting usually corrects any ropethrow induced by the rope-draw above. In cases where the drawn effect is passed on to the ringer a more or less effective remedy is for him to shift his normal standing position slightly in the direction opposite to the rope-throw, when his normal handling will tend to correct it. correct it.

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#### A Day In London

Arranged by Madge and Peter Ashby, a party of ringers from Barton-le-Cley, Beds, visited London on June 3rd. Mr. Douglas Hughes conducted them around the White-chapel Bell Foundry, where the ten bells for Wymondham Abbey were among the interesting exhibits.

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A picnic lunch in Battersea Park preceded ringing on the new ropes at St. Mary's, Battersea. The next tower, St. Anne's, Highgate, necessitated crossing London. Here after ringing we joined in Evensong, conducted by Father H. Whittingham. An excellent tea was prepared in the Church Hall, Gospel Oak, by Mr. and Mrs. Jennings. and the best ringing of the day was at St. Martin's (6). Home was reached at 11 p.m.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

The two six-bell towers at Market Weighton and Nunburnholme were made available for the Eastern District annual general meeting on May 20th.

A warm welcome was accorded Mr. and Mrs. V. Bottomley and companions from Dewsbury and Mr. Stoat from Coventry. Mr. H Walker was also present, being fully recovered from a recent operation.

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The business meeting was presided over by the vice-president, Mr. Alan Sheppard. Proceedings were rather prolonged due to balloting for the election of D. S. Johnson as the new District Ringing Master and the six committee members: Miss J. Gray (Walkington), Miss Wilkinson (York), Mrs. E. Johnson (Kirk Ella), L. M. Woodhead (Goole) J. Potts (Sherburn) and W. Stoker, Hemingbrough). Five new members were accepted: R. Carey (Holme-on-Spalding Moor), E. Oliver (Walkington), N. Hildred (Huntington), N. Paling (Cottingham) and A. Bridges (student, Holy Trinity, Hull. Trinity, Hull.

Howden was proposed for the August meeting, together with Eastrington. An invitation from Mr. C. Brown to include a visit to the four-bell tower at Bubwith was also accepted.

#### Southern District

The Southern District annual general meeting was held at Tickhill on May 20th, where Mr. H. Chant organised touches from call changes to Surprise Major. Mr. Geoff Pilkington proposed the vote of thanks to Canon Guy Cook, the Rector, and the ladies for the excellent the southern District annual general meeting was held to the southern District annual general meeting was held to the southern District annual general meeting was held to the southern District annual general meeting was held to the southern District annual general meeting was held at Tickhill on May 20th, where Mr.

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At the annual general meeting, with Mr.

M. Meadows, vice-president, presiding, Mr.

Chant was re-elected Ringing Master, and
Messrs. J. Seager, A. Staveley and T. Tarbutt
to the Association and District Committee.

Messrs. J. J. L. Gilbert, G. Pilkington and
R. Sanderson were also appointed to the
District Committee. New members elected
were the Misses Joyce and Susan Laidlow,
Rosaline Eslick, Irene Royston (all of Sprotborough) and Carol Ellison (Whiston).

Further ringing took place at Bawtry and
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#### **50 YEARS AT LANGPORT**

When the Ilchester Branch held its quarterly meeting at Langport on June 3rd over 40 ringers present saw the Master of the Association (the Rev. H. F. Warren) present an illuminated scroll to Mr. H. Westlake to commemorate 50 years of faithful service as a ringer and members of All Saints', Langport, tower. It was the gift of his colleagues. The company stood in silence to honour the memories of Mr. George Coles of Taunton and Mr. John Hall of Uphill. New members elected were Messrs, J. Stone and Francis (Drayton) and Robin Geard and A. Strickland (Montacute). Thanks were expressed to the When the Ilchester Branch held its quar-

(Montacute). Thanks were expressed to the Vicar (the Rev. W. E. L. Houldon), who conducted the service, and the ladies who provided a splendid tea.

Ringers were invited by Mr. Gordon Rendell to two events at Montacute—Parish Communion, June 25th. 9.30 a.m., and induction of the Rev. R. M. Bevan to the living on July 31st; bells 6-7 p.m.

#### THE LADIES' GUILD

The South Wales District was fascinated by the tenor counter when a meeting was held at Ebbw Vale on June 3rd. This recorded on a dial every blow of that bell. At the end of the evening calculations were made and it was discovered that the tenor had been struck

discovered that the tenor had been struck 3.192 times.

The Rev. W. R. Lewis conducted the service and Mr. Reuben Clench, on behalf of the adults, thanked the ladies for the lovely tea, and Master David Parfrey, aged seven, from a chair, offered thanks for all the children.

In the absence of the vice-president, Mrs. Betty Parfrey presided at the business meeting, when three young members from Chepstow were elected—Patty Williams and Sandra and Anne Mattey.

#### COMPOSITIONS

5,376 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR SIMON HUMPHREY

23456	M	W	H
46352	_		S
53462			S
43265	_		
25364	-		S
62354		-	
53624			S
64325	-		S
23645		-	S

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