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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

FUNDAMENTAL DIFFERENCES IN LIFE

By Canon GILBERT THURLOW

Preached at the rededication of Overton,
Hampshire, bells on August 20th.

I BEGIN with a true story. It does not matter where it took place. A band of ringers were ringing in a village tower and one member had only recently become a ringer. Knowing little about bells, he chose, while unnoticed, to pull a rope of the chiming apparatus. This, as every experienced ringer knows, brought the hammer into a position where the bell would hit it when rung. This of course happened. The moment the ringers began again the bell came hard against the hammer and was badly cracked; cost of repair would be between £100 and £200.

This is a simple story, but what is far more important is the reactions of the people to the event. The reaction of the gentleman who did the deed was, I am told, immediate. He simply said, "I didn't know this would happen: it's not my fault; I take no responsibility, I won't pay towards the cost of repair." The reaction of the Master of the visiting band and the senior churchwarden of the church which suffered this grievous blow was also quite simple: "We are all in this together. It's up to us all, visitors and home team alike, to co-operate in raising the money to put things

right. No recriminations to anyone. Let everyone of goodwill help in any way they like—fetes, bazaars, direct giving . . ."

The contrast between these reactions to the crisis is of fundamental importance. One may suppose that the gentleman who did the deed, as a newcomer to the church, is typical of modern society, like millions more. If one had never learned the real meaning of Christianity and if one's idea of it is simply that it is an odd hobby for odd people, it is natural to live for yourself, evade responsibility, get all you can out of life and give as little to it as you need. We can't blame people for behaving like this if they've learned no better.

The people who deserve blame are those who spread the idea that man on his own has all he needs to make a success of life. This is the great deception of today: the idea that money, ease, education, health, self-reliance, are all we need. This deceitful teaching evades a plain fact of human nature—that we each have within ourselves power to choose between good and evil, and yet also weakness in face of this choice. There never will be a time when man has climbed above his weakness; we shall always need light to make us choose. The light which can lighten every man is ready to shine on us. Every man on whom Christ's light shines knows that the first rule of life is

to love your neighbour as yourself. This means in plain English that we are all responsible for each other, all through life. You and I may feel we share responsibility for the cracked bell. You may yourself have rung it. I did years ago.

This tale gives a reason for what we are doing here today. The sound of the bells from Overton tower is a most impressive example of service, of giving, of responsibility of each for all, through the centuries. You hear tonight bells new-cast, together with bells cast back in 1945, 1908, 1710, 1663, 1660, with metal which has hung here longer than we know. All this is the result of giving freely and gladly of money, of metal, of work and of ringing by unknown friends before us as well as friends of today.

What an example to this modern world, this world of greed, of war, of strikes, of gambling, of drugs, of manufactured misery of many kinds, of starvation and hatred. So whenever these bells shall ring they will broadcast the fact that God is active in the lives of all on whom His light shines. He has power and glory and yet was slain—this bells will broadcast the choice. Will you add to His glory or will you add to His pains? Will you share the world's irresponsible greed or will you give your service to men in His name?

Outspoken Comments by Record Lengths Conductor

Dear Sir,—Mr. Blagrove appears quite successfully to have upset a great number of Doubles ringers and now has started to do the same with those who are interested in ringing long peals. In particular, the last sentence of his reply to Brian Woodruffe's letter makes me, and a number of other people, wonder whether in fact he is a suitable person to be a convener of the Records Committee. I quote: "This action is caused entirely by the tone of Mr. Woodruffe's letter."

I now ask the following questions and consider each point in turn:—

(i) Should any person use the power he holds by virtue of his position as a tool in an argument with another?

(ii) Should a decision be arrived at without consideration of future consequences?

(iii) Should a convener of a committee be sufficiently self-disciplined to abide by the rules laid down in the Central Council Handbook?

Considering (i): Mr. Blagrove is using his power as convener of the Records Committee to find an excuse to exclude the 13,140 Kent T.B. Maximus from the records. How on earth a person can say in the same sentence that the same peal can either be a progressive length of Kent T.B. Maximus or a record peal of Spliced Kent T.B. Maximus and Kent Little Court Maximus is beyond my comprehension: the title Cam Variation is completely explicit and leaves nobody in any doubt as to what has been rung. Presumably Mr. Blagrove is trying to apply rule f (vi) on page

20 of the C.C. Handbook; I quote: "The methods rung in such (record) peals shall comply with the Report on Regular Methods" (as on page 22).

This would classify the peal as spliced, as Mr. Blagrove states. However, under the "Notes" on page 24 of the C.C. Handbook there is a section headed "Methods founded on two principles." Again I quote: "In some cases it is possible to found a method on two principles."

The emphasis in the above is on the word "method" (singular), and it is on this foundation that the Cam Variation of Kent is founded. It has been rung under this heading since it was first used by the Rev. H. Law James and his colleagues; I see no point in describing the peal as spliced, as no changes of method are called. Incidentally, Mr. Blagrove states that two types of bob were rung, which is news to me: but then I only rang in the peal!

Considering (ii): When Mr. Blagrove referred to the performances for 1967 he accepted the 12,480 as a progressive length. Apart from the fact that no notice was given for this attempt, it was not umpired and there are distinct possibilities that the peal was false; it will be classified with the 13,140 Kent T.B. Maximus we are informed. As organiser of the latter peal, and others, I conclude that it will not be worth my while arranging for competent umpires to check our peals, to give notice to "The Ringing World" or to publish the composition before (or after!) such

performances. I have on occasions paid umpires' hotel expenses—but now, why bother?

The only suitable solution I can see to the present unsatisfactory situation is to apply the rules used in athletics, i.e. have official and unofficial records. In addition, a progressive length should not even be accepted as a peal unless the composition is published at some stage. The present position regarding the peals of Glasgow, Lincolnshire and Pudsey would be as follows:—

12,096 Glasgow—Unofficial record.

11,872 Glasgow—Official record.

9,600 Lincolnshire—Official record.

12,480 Pudsey—Not accepted as a peal until the composition has been published.

Considering (iii): On page 21 of the C.C. Handbook, Section 8 states: "Variations of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob where the method is changed when the treble passes through 3-4 down cannot be described as spliced peals." On page 626 of "The Ringing World" (August 9th, 1968) we see that Mr. Blagrove has rung one of these variations and called it Spliced Treble Bob Major. Presumably Mr. Blagrove finds it unnecessary to stick to the rules and works on the principle—"Don't do as I do, do as I say."—Yours sincerely,

ROBERT B. SMITH.

Marple, Cheshire.

New Master for Winchester and Portsmouth Guild

Mr. R. R. Savory the New Master

THE venue of this year's annual general meeting was Winchester on July 6th and, surprising as it may seem during this terrible summer, the sun shone brilliantly on us all day. Ringing took place at surrounding towers during the morning with two routes converging on the Cathedral.

The business meeting was held in St. Maurice's Hall and, in the unfortunate absence of the Master, Canon K. W. H. Felstead, the first item of business was the election of a chairman for the meeting. Mr. R. R. Savory was asked to perform this duty and, on assuming the chair, welcomed the 75 members present to Winchester.

After the minutes of the 1967 annual general meeting had been read and accepted, the treasurer, Mrs. Margaret Chapman, presented her report, which showed a highly satisfactory financial situation. The report of the peal recorder, Mr. D. T. Matkin, contained a total of 57 peals rung during 1967 and in this period 24 members rang their first peal—a very healthy sign.

As our junior representative, Mr. R. R. Savory related the proceedings of this year's Council meeting, giving the meeting some insight into the background of the reports published in "The Ringing World." Two points soon became clear—that "The Ringing World" issue had dominated the meeting and that few had understood the Doubles resolution. Following Mr. Savory's report, some discussion took place regarding "The Ringing World" and its finances. The Guild decided to send a donation of ten guineas, but not without some opposition. Mr. Chapman thought that the paper should be costed correctly and the sum charged. Those who did not take "The Ringing World" should not be asked to subsidise those who did.

The general secretary's report indicated an increase in membership and activity in most Districts during the year. The District reorganisation had come into effect on January 1st this year and results of these changes were awaited with interest.

GUILD MEMBERSHIP

A proposition was before the meeting in the names of Messrs. Haines and Cope to the effect that a minimum ringing standard should be made a condition of Guild membership. Due to a misunderstanding in the communication of this motion to the general secretary, there was some confusion as to what the exact wording should have been. After a short discussion the meeting moved to the next business on the proposition of Mr. F. Bailey, seconded by Mr. M. Thomas.

Grants towards work on the bells of Upper Clatford and Crawley of £20 each were approved.

Mr. A. V. Davis reported on the arrangements so far for this year's striking competition and on the work he had done towards obtaining a suitable design for certificates for the winning teams.

The venue and date for the 1968 annual general meeting were agreed as being Christchurch and July 5th respectively.

CHANGES OF OFFICERS

The meeting then moved to the triennial election of officers. Two nominations were received for the Mastership, Mr. R. R. Savory and Canon K. W. H. Felstead. Mr. A. V. Davis was also proposed but indicated that he did not wish to stand. On being put to the



R. ROGER SAVORY

Introduced to the art by the late Charles A. Binyon, Roger started ringing in his home parish church at Badsey in Worcestershire's Vale of Evesham in 1945. His first peal was Grandsire Triples, rung at Upton-on-Severn in 1946, conducted by the late Charles J. Camm. From 1949 to 1951 National Service in the Royal Navy took Roger to Kent and Essex and, between time at sea, he gained much valuable ringing experience with the bands in those areas. He was elected a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths in 1950.

In 1951 Roger entered a degree course at Birmingham University, graduating with Honours in Chemical Engineering in 1955. During this period the Birmingham University Society of Ringers was formed, of which Roger was the first Master, calling the first peal for the Society in 1955.

Following graduation he took a position with Esso Petroleum Co. at Fawley, Hampshire, and joined the prolific 10-bell band at St. Michael's, Southampton. Roger has held the following positions in the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild: District Ringing Master (1958-59), Guild general secretary (1959/65), Central Council representative from 1964 and is now elected Guild Master.

Roger's work took him to the U.S.A. for a year (1965/66) and he was able to ring at Washington Cathedral, Groton and Kent Schools. His peal total to date is 281 (cond. 73), ranging from Grandsire Doubles to Spliced Maximus, 132 of which have been rung for the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild.

vote Mr. Savory was elected. Mr. Savory paid tribute to the work of Canon Felstead as Master over the past six years and, with the approval of the meeting, asked the secretary to write to Canon Felstead recording the Guild's thanks.

For the post of general secretary Mr. M. Butler proposed the re-election of Mr. D. Forde; this was seconded by Mr. J. R. Faithfull, and there being no other nominations he was declared re-elected.

Mrs. Margaret Chapman, who has served as general treasurer for the past nine years, will shortly be leaving the area for Bristol and has thus had to relinquish her post. The Master expressed the gratitude of the Guild to Mrs. Chapman for her work during her period as treasurer and wished both her and her husband, Tom, well in the future. Only one nomination for the treasurer's post was received, that of Mr. T. H. Francis, and he was declared elected.

Mr. D. T. Matkin and Mr. L. Bailey were both re-elected unopposed to the offices of peal recorder and auditor respectively. Two nominations were made for the post of librarian, Messrs. D. C. Jackson and Mr. M. J. Butler. On a show of hands Mr. Butler was elected.

The meeting closed with votes of thanks to Canon Moody, who was to take the service in St. Lawrence's Church, to Mrs. P. Tremere, the Winchester and District secretary, for making the local arrangements, and to the Dean and all incumbents for the use of their bells during the day.

The Guild service followed in St. Lawrence's Church, where the service was conducted by Canon Moody. Tea was taken in St. Maurice's Hall and a most successful day ended with further ringing on the fine 12 at the Cathedral.

D. J. F.

TANFIELD '68

BRIGHT and sunny was the forecast for the Durham and Newcastle Association's annual cricket match at Tanfield on July 20th, but it rained most of the day; nevertheless, ringers-cum-players met at the Tanfield Lea pitch, which had once been a pond, and now, due to almost a week's continuous rain, was rapidly returning to its original state.

Due to the smaller numbers present compared with last year it was decided to select teams of six players and play on a basis of 15 overs a side. The president, Mr. W. Tyson, again won the toss and elected to bat first. With the umpires (Mr. T. Cooke and Mr. W. Tyson) in position, and with Mr. R. Park with scorebook at the ready, the batting was opened by Ken Arthur and David Cox to the bowling of Bill Davidson and Willy Thow. David was bowled for 2 by skilful Williams (Tanfield).

The batting stiffened due to the Fenham pair. Ken Arthur and stalwart Tom Sewell, who eventually retired after scoring 15 and 16 respectively. After this spearhead attack the rest of the team fell easily. Graham Plews (Whitley Bay) and Philip Park (Darlington) were bowled for no runs, and David Martin (Whitley Bay) scored one run.

The Central District opened its innings just as the rain started again, with Bill Davidson (Whickham) and Willy Thow (Gateshead) facing the bowling of Ken Arthur and David Cox. However, even the greatest fall and these two were bowled for 7 and 3 respectively. Despite the rain and bad light, play continued. Carter (Consett) was bowled for 3, and Robinson (Tanfield) put up a good show, scoring 9. The rest of the Central team, namely Whaley (Lanchester), Lowson (Consett) and Williams, gained only 9 runs. Result: President's 41, Central District 33.

An excellent tea was provided by the ladies of the nearby Methodist Chapel. Having made the usual bellers' impression on the tea, the company returned to Tanfield for the service, which was conducted by the Rev. A. J. G. Ellery. Ringing ranged from rounds to Yorkshire and Cambridge and provided a fitting conclusion to an enjoyable day. W. D.

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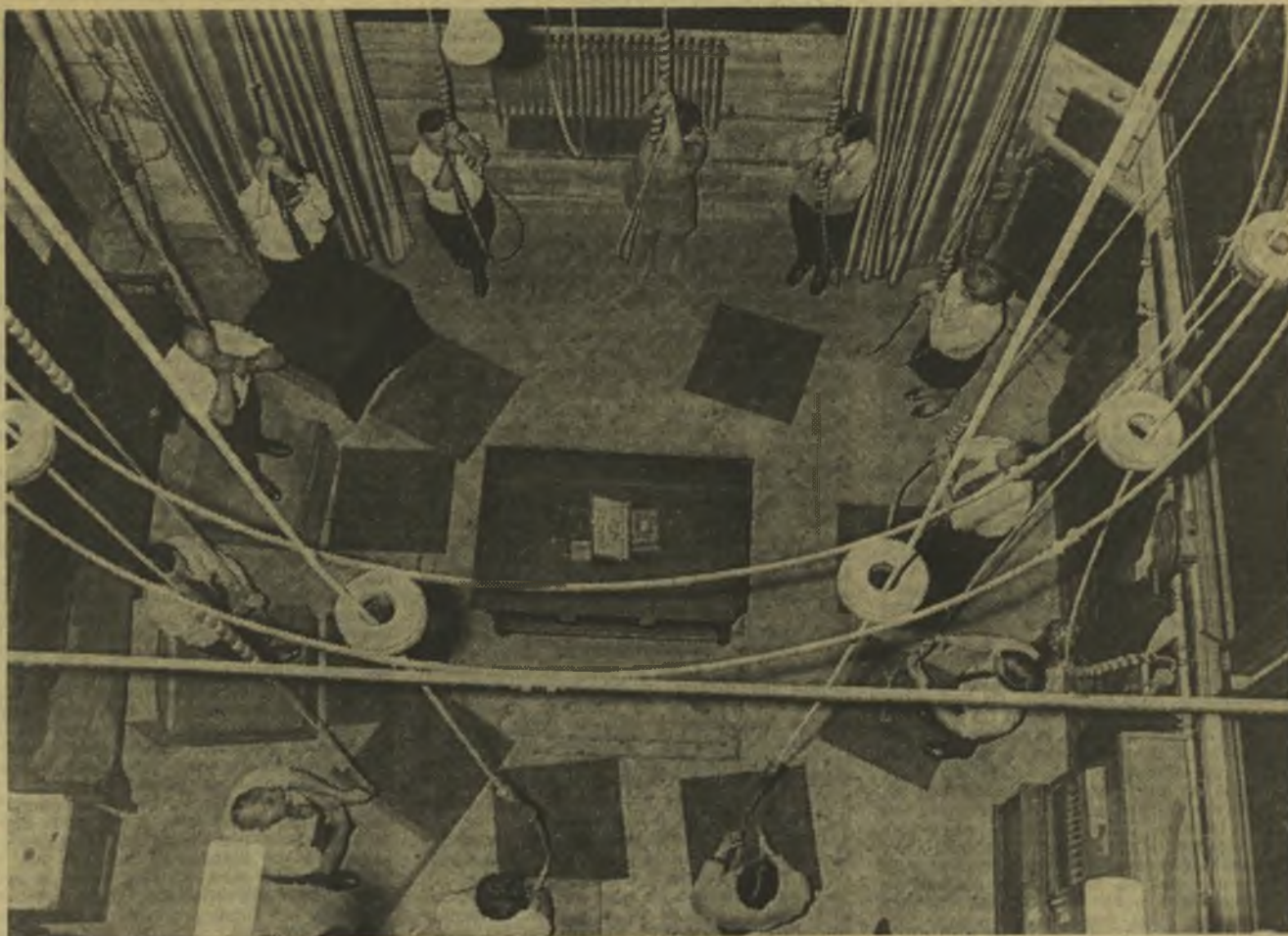
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250th Anniversary First Peal of Grandsire Triples



This unusual view of the ringers of St. Peter Mancroft's Church, Norwich, in action was taken by "The Eastern Daily Press," when scaffolding had been erected to replace the glass in the west window. The picture is particularly appropriate in view of the 250th anniversary of the first peal of Grandsire Triples this week, which was rung in this belfry. The long draught of rope, passing through guides, will be noted. These are heavy bells with a tenor of 37 cwt. 3 qr. 15 lb. The ringers: D. Heighton (capt.) 1, Beryl Baldwin 2, D. House 3, Barbara Payne 4, A. Salisbury 5, G. Pullin 6, P. Bosworth 7, L. F. Bailey 8, B. Gogle 9, M. Cubitt 10, C. Bird 11, D. P. Mortlock tenor.

An ornamental tablet records this peal of Grandsire Triples of 250 years ago in St. Peter Mancroft belfry in the flowery language of the age, as follows:—

On the 26th of August, 1718, was rung that harmonious peal called Grandsire Triples, which have been a study of ye most ingenious men of this age who delight in ye art of variations, but all their projectors have proved errors until it was undertook by JOHN GARTHORN, who with long study and practice have perfectly discovered those intricate methods which were hidden from the eyes of all the ringers of England; the extent of this peal being 5,040 changes have often times been rung changes alike, but the first time that ever it was rung true was in three hours and a half without any changes alike or a bell out of course by these men whose names are underwritten against their bells as they rung:

James Brooke Treble	Henry Howard 5
John Briggs 2	Wm. Gallow 6
Wm. Palmer 3	Tho. Melchior 7
Robt. Crane 4	Tho. Barrett Tenor

The peal has been one of controversy. Shipway's "Campanalogia or Universal Instruction in the Art of Ringing," 1816, makes this comment:—

"Without pretending to decide, I shall briefly remark that if the peal had been rung in Norwich in 1718, it appears unaccountably strange that information of so important a discovery did not reach London in 1751, and the composition of the same peal should thus

have been considered original and generally attributed to Mr. Holt. It is also further remarkable that of the three peals, viz.: Bob Triples in 1715, Grandsire Triples in 1718 and Stedman Triples in 1731, said to have been rung at St. Peter Mancroft, not one can be found to ascertain the truth, whereas Mr. Holt's peals are universally rung and indisputably correct."

Mr. Snowdon, however, in his "Grandsire," gives reasons for believing that the peal was known in London before 1751 and how he eventually was able to trace and bring to light the figures of this peal.

Briefly, he traces it through Henry Hubbard of Norwich, who, while on a visit to Leeds in 1841, was shown the figures of Garthorn's peal by Hugh Wright (the composer of several long lengths of Treble Bob Major, who formerly lived at Nottingham) and who had them from Mr. W. D. Crofts of that town, he having inherited it from his ancestors, who were said to be related in some way to Garthorn. The composition was also in the possession of C. Middleton, an eminent Norwich ringer, and although for many years considered false, was on examination found to be perfectly true.

Three different calls were used, viz.: Original bobs, fifth place bobs and bob singles. This composition was also found in Dr. Mason's manuscripts at Cambridge, and it was known to Henry Cooper, of Birmingham.

[From Morris's "History and Art of Ringing."]

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HOLME-ON-SPALDING MOOR, YORKS. — On Aug. 1st, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: Gail P. Horton (first in method) 1, Gillian F. Gardiner (first Minor) 2, Valerie M. E. Gardiner 3, Patricia M. Gardiner 4, R. R. Horton 5, A. Newbould (first Minor as cond) 6. A silver wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Gardiner, of Hemle.

THE DOUBLES CONTROVERSY—Letters

APPRECIATION FOR WORK ON APPENDIX

Dear Sir,—Whilst away on two weeks' holiday I have taken issues Nos. 2,987 and 2,988 with me in order to study in detail the Appendix to the Doubles Collection. I found that it took me some time thoroughly to assimilate all that was listed there, and then a complete evening to deduce the identity of what we once called Pinks, Bluebell, St. Swithun, May Day, Old Swinford. My point is that if it can take a complete evening to deal with just five variations, what a tremendous amount of time must have been spent by the compilers of the 352 variations so far listed, and on the "April Days," etc., now withdrawn from use. The published list does at least fill a gap disclosed by the publication of the Dodds-Jones lists in 1964 and 1966, and it does contain enough material to enable most bands to ring peals of up to 126 methods/variations, i.e. three variations per extent. I think that the least we can do is to show our appreciation for the considerable time spent voluntarily on our behalf, and to refrain from undue criticism, so easily evolved in a fraction of the time mentioned above. It is far more Christianlike (and much more difficult!) to show one's gratitude.

Upon my return from holiday I found that Mr. Massey, in issue No. 2,989, clarifies myself and other Doubles ringers as "whiz-kids," and that our peal at Binsted appears to have underlined the difficulties due to the new nomenclature. First, can I point out to Mr. Massey that our peals were the result of an average but enthusiastic band attempting, via two years' practice at quarter peals, to build up gradually to a peal of 150 methods/variations, an aim which is within the capabilities of most six-bell bands. We attempted 42, which we lost; 100, which we lost; and were successful in 79, 135 and the Binsted peal. As explained on page 606 issue No. 2,989, the latter, rung before the publication of the Appendix, should have contained 16 Grandsire variations, together with 16 Antelope and 16 Newark, as outlined in an excellent article by Mr. Dawson on page 24, issue No. 2,960, but as seen on page 595, issue No. 2,988, only four each of the 48 are now variations, and, like April Day, etc., have given rise to numerical discrepancy to peals rung before and after June 4th. It is unfortunate, but not a case for recrimination, that we shall never now achieve our target.—Yours sincerely,

DEREK C. JACKSON.

Totton, Hants.

FOREWARNED BEFORE C.C. MEETING

Dear Sir,—I am delighted to see so many letters on the subject of Doubles; it shows, as I had expected, that there is a very real interest in this branch of our art. There are, however, a few points which might profitably be made at this stage.

Firstly, the whole purpose of publishing motions and amendments to be presented to the Central Council is to enable all ringers to evaluate them before the Council meets. If ringers think that these motions are undesirable then they should tell their C.C. representative before the Council meets in order that he may put their views to the meeting. Alternatively, if people feel that they would like to express their thoughts to the Council there is nothing to prevent them from attending the meeting. I am quite sure that we should all be glad to hear informed views, regardless of whether or

not the speaker is an elected member. Of course, if he is not an official member, then he cannot be allowed to vote on the issues before the Council, but that is an entirely different matter. At the Worcester meeting there was no real opposition to the combined Doubles variations motions/amendments and to cry about the Council's Decision now is hardly constructive; in fact, many of the letters since published on the topic show very little thought either in their construction or in their criticisms.

Secondly, I must repeat what has already been stated in the report of the Doubles debate: there has been no curtailment of the scope of Doubles ringing. Instead we now have a set of rules which will guide conductors in their arrangement of peals. Previously chaos reigned, since every conductor chose his own rules for peal composition and this often made it very difficult for one composer to appreciate what another was doing. Naturally, if anyone wants to ring Spliced Plain Bob and Reverse St. Bartholomew and call it April Day, then nobody will stop him. It will, however, make it difficult for other people to work out what has been rung, especially if many abstruse names are used, so that one could hardly cavil if "The Ringing World" eventually declined to publish performances unless they are submitted in accordance with C.C. rules. Of course, if a conductor wishes to say to his band "Go April Day," but then submits it as Spliced Plain Bob and Reverse St. Bartholomew, then no one will complain. I am as sorry as most people to see the demise of time-honoured names, but whilst there is no point in change for change sake, there is also no point in being retarded by tradition. Tradition, as embodied by the teaching of the Church, said that the world was flat, but Columbus thought otherwise, and we should not now dream of teaching our children of a flat world.

Thirdly, the doubt that has been cast on Grandsire as a method shows that some would revert to the pointless arguments of some 250 years ago, when people were loath to ring peals of Grandsire because of its singles. Even before Thompson showed why singles are necessary it had become fully recognised that Grandsire stood as a method in spite of its strange drawback. It is merely useless pedantry to argue that Grandsire is Spliced Grandsire and Reverse St. Bartholomew. Perhaps, if people so desire, the C.C. would rule that the common bobs and singles used to obtain the extent of Grandsire should be considered, together with the plain course, to construe the method. Naturally this would open the way for all sorts of complicated suggestions, and it might be best for people to accept Grandsire in a traditional light—an example of the usefulness of certain traditions!

Lastly, I was the person who had the misfortune to conduct the peal of 142 methods/variations which was later proved false and which I therefore withdrew. Obviously I derived no pleasure from withdrawing the peal, but the withdrawal certainly did not engender any attack of sour grapes, especially since I had had the pleasure of listening to two and a half hours of outstandingly good ringing which all the band had thoroughly enjoyed. In fact, it was the arrangement of that peal that made me aware of the need for some rules to guide variation ringing, so that our ringing was not variation ringing.—Yours sincerely,

COLIN A. LEWIS.

Gloucester, Hereford.

BATH AND WELLS RING MOST DOUBLES

Dear Sir,—Mr. Blagrove, in his letter in "The Ringing World" of August 9th, seems to be under the impression that reasoned argument by a few at the Central Council meeting has achieved something spectacular for the benefit of Doubles ringers. If this is progress, Mr. Blagrove, please stop trying—we were better off before you started, when we merely had tacit acceptance of Doubles variations by the Central Council. As so often happens when precise rules are drawn up, a ridiculous situation has arisen whereby some of our favourite variations are proscribed. These rules were drawn up, we are told, because "a number of dubious peal arrangements had been rung." These "dubious arrangements," rung only by a few and probably as a mere passing craze, seem open to objection only by a few others, but because of them unnecessarily radical rules are introduced affecting practically every Doubles ringer in the country.

Mr. Blagrove questions my ability to say what Doubles ringers like to ring. I consider that I have some qualification in this respect, as I am privileged to be peal secretary of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association. This has given me an excellent opportunity to study in detail what the Association rings and has rung in the way of peals and quarter peals, and to discuss such matters in person and by correspondence with the leading Doubles ringers of the Diocese. Now the Bath and Wells rings lots of Doubles. For example, last year, although we rang less than 3½ per cent. of the total peals recorded (109 out of 3,173), over one-third of our peals were of Doubles, 13 per cent. of the recorded total (38 out of 291), the highest number by any Society during the year. Our high proportion of Doubles peals is normal—more than half the peals ever rung for the Association have been on five or six bells. Some years ago the bulk of these peals were of Grandsire only. Gradually the number of methods has been increased until now we ring more in two to seven methods/variations than in single methods, and there are even a few in more than 20 methods. This is encouraging progress. It is hardly encouraging to a young band, however, to have to tell them for example that their peal in six methods/variations is now only in four methods/variations, and moreover it is impossible to justify such a change.

May I stress at this point that these views should not be construed as official Bath and Wells policy. They are a collation of my own views with those of a number of the Doubles ringers in the Diocese.

My remarks concerning Mr. Blagrove's letter in your issue of July 5th were not meant to be derogatory. Surely even he must agree that the points he made in that letter would have been better made at the Council meeting so recently past. I am sure that he and all the others involved made thorough preparation for the meeting, and acted from the highest motives.

If we must have some hard and fast rules on variations, let them be consonant with the rules applying to methods, at least as far as types of call are concerned. It cannot be considered logical or sensible to allow a method to use the plain lead of another method as a bob but prohibit the same latitude in variations.—Yours sincerely,

GEORGE W. MASSEY.

Frome, Somerset.

BELL ROPES

JOHN NICOLL

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DOUBLES CONTROVERSY—contd.**A DANGEROUS PRECEDENT**

Dear Sir,—The Central Council's recent laudable decision to recognise Doubles variations and its attempts to reduce the chaos in Doubles ringing to order are in grave danger of becoming a classical example of a cure being worse than the illness it sets out to treat. One point in particular seems to be worrying many ringers and, I feel, rightly so.

This is the acceptance of Reverse St. Bartholomew as a valid method. From it much of the present confusion arises. While this may seem of small importance to those who do not often ring Doubles, may I suggest, sir, that it raises a fundamental principle which has implications that extend far beyond the realms of five-bell ringing: should a bob (or single) lead of one method ever be accepted as a plain lead of another method?

Mr. Blagrove adheres rigidly to the current Decisions of the Council in insisting that Reverse St. Bartholomew is a valid method. In so doing he cannot be faulted. But when it entitles one to say that "the common extents (of Grandsire) may be called either Grandsire or Spliced Grandsire and Reverse St. Bartholomew," then it seems high time that those Decisions were amended to accord with the feelings and traditions of the Exercise. A shortcoming has been exposed.

In their preface to the 1955 Doubles Collection the Methods Committee of the day wrote:—

"In the past, the bob leads of certain methods have been rung as the plain leads of another and vice versa, and this practice is, we believe, undesirable and in the present collection no method has been included which is the bob lead of another. This has caused the exclusion of certain methods."

If this example were formally endorsed by the Council, then we should all be spared such inanities as the above description of certain standard extents of Grandsire as "spliced." That Reverse St. Bartholomew has a long and doubtless brilliant history as a "method" is no reason why we should continue to compound the errors of the past.—Yours faithfully,

CYRIL A. WRATTEN.

Charlton Kings, Glos.

REPLY TO MR. WRATTEN

Dear Sir.—Mr. Wratten's letter is a classic example of causing confusion by not quoting all facts and knowingly quoting out of context.

The Central Council has made several exceptions in Doubles regarding methods, variations, compositions, etc., and the Exercise will surely agree that what happens in Doubles can never be quoted as a precedent for higher numbers.

He quotes the preface of the 1955 Doubles Collection out of context of the complete book. He does not mention that this paragraph is applied separately to each of Sections I, II and III (principles, methods with two hunts and methods with one hunt).

Grandsire from Section II is a bob touch of Original from Section I. St. Bartholomew and St. Sebastian in Section III are singled leads of methods in Section II. But no method in Section III is the same as a bobbed lead of another method in Section III. Reverse St. Bartholomew and Reverse St. Sebastian are methods in their own right in Section III, as also are All Saints' and Minster Bob, which are the same as singled leads of Newark and Wollaton from Section II. Also their reverses.

We do not accept College Single as a Minor method, since it is a bobbed lead of Single Oxford and of Single Court, and all three are single hunt methods. But surely Mr. Wratten would accept Rusper Bob as an irregular Minor method.

In order to prevent someone being so inane as to submit for publication such a description of the standard extent of Grandsire (Spliced Grandsire and Reverse St. Bartholomew), he would reject these eight methods and their several variations. But with them would go many others, including a large number of Surprise methods (London, etc.), which can be seen as bobbed leads of principles.

A much better solution would be to use the alternate single in Grandsire Doubles, instead of using a plain lead of Reverse St. Bartholomew. But the common sense of the Exercise is far more effective than any Central Council legislation.—Yours sincerely,

F. T. BLAGROVE.

Note.—Rusper Bob (which has one hunt bell) is a bobbed lead of Grandsire Minor (which has two hunt bells).

The alternate single in Grandsire Doubles is fourths and fifths made at back and hand at the same place as the bobbed thirds. This gives 16 callings: BBPBPB twice, SPSB three times and BBPBPB twice, etc.

"APRIL DAY IS NOT A METHOD"

Dear Sir,—It is quite obvious from the recent correspondence in "The Ringing World" that many ringers—not only Doubles enthusiasts but those on higher numbers—are dissatisfied with the present ruling set up by Mr. Blagrove on April Day and Clifford's Pleasure.

What we now have is the ridiculous situation of a variation being called a method and no amount of editor's notes will satisfy me that April Day is not a variation of Plain Bob.

It is doubtless quite easy to learn other Doubles methods, but who wants to? The majority of Doubles ringers prefer the variations and it is here that the interest in Doubles lies. Mr. Blagrove has at last got his way on this matter; it was back in the 1950's he tried to teach me the error of my ways in ringing variations and sent me his booklet on Alliance Doubles. However, I was grateful for the Blunderbus Doubles, which I also obtained from him and which later, with others of his variations, helped to produce the Dodd-Jones Doubles Collection.

Your Doubles record at Hambledon still stands, Mr. Blagrove—a variation is a variation and a method a method—let's leave it at that.

On a final note, let us have a clean sweep and clean up the Surprise Major variations ringing a peal of Cambridge-Havant variation, Yorkshire-Braunstone variation, and so on, or is this not the same? — Yours faithfully,

GEOFFREY K. DODD

Woolton Hill, Berks.

AWAITING AN ANSWER

Dear Sir,—Could I ask, through the columns of "The Ringing World", whether Mr. Edgar A. Cole intends to withdraw the peal rung at Ashby-de-la-Launde, published on page 71? In the light of a letter published on March 29th from Mr. Richard A. Hunt, I think it is about time we heard from the conductor, Mr. Cole.—Yours faithfully,

Cambridge.

G. E. THODAY.

OBITUARY**CANON A. W. MARKBY**

The former Rector of St. Peter's, Dorchester, Dorset, for 26 years, Canon Alfred Wilkinson Markby, has died at his home at Swanage, aged 92 years. He is survived by his second wife, two sons and a daughter.

He was chairman of the Dorchester Branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild for 21 years until his retirement in 1956 after 55 years of active ministry. Although not a ringer he always took a keen interest in all the ringers' activities.

He began his ministry as a curate at Upper Holloway, North London, after leaving Durham University in 1901. After several other curacies he became Rector of St. Saviour's, Bath. In 1930 he moved to St. Peter's, Dorchester, where he remained until he retired.

A familiar and popular figure in the county town before he moved to Swanage in retirement, he took an active interest in many aspects of the town's life, particularly the religious and educational side. He was chaplain of the Dorset County Hospital for 20 years and chaplain of Dorchester Prison for 14 years.

The funeral service was held at St. Peter's, Dorchester, on Tuesday, August 6th and was attended by a large number of clergy, friends and ringers. The service was conducted by his son, the Rev. A. C. Markby, and grandson, the Rev. P. Markby, assisted by the Rev. H. Anderson (Swanage).

The ringers of St. Peter's were represented by Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Duke and Mrs. D. P. Duke (associate member). Mr. P. Brain and Mrs. J. Sawtell; the Dorchester Branch by the Rev. C. E. C. Brinkworth (chairman) and Mrs. Brinkworth, Mr. A. J. Slade (hon. secretary), Mr. E. H. Amey (Ringing Master), Messrs. P. Board, J. W. Rose, F. Symonds, G. Abbott, L. G. N. Williams and the Rev. and Mrs. A. F. Godley (Yetminster).

As the cortege left the church the bells were rung half-muffled to touches of Grandsire Triples. In the evening the bells were rung half-muffled by St. Peter's Society members.

On August 9th a 1,260 of Grandsire Triples was rung half-muffled by Mrs. M. M. Godley 1, J. W. Rose 2, T. F. Collins 3, F. Symonds 4, R. H. Duke 5, Mrs. B. J. Duke 6, E. H. Amey (cond.) 7, P. Brain 8.

"Well done, thou good and faithful servant." R.I.P. R.D.

MR. W. T. COX

The death of Mr. William T. Cox occurred at his home, Hinton Road, Gloucester, on August 3rd at the age of 86 years. For the last 20 years he was a member of the bands of the Cathedral and St. Mary de Crypt.

He started to ring at an early age at Coln St. Aldwyn and at some period at Guildford with the late A. H. Pulling, but the greater part of his life was spent in Coventry, where he rang most of his peals. He was always prompt and liked good striking. His other hobbies were bowls and cricket. Being a coach-builder by trade, one could see beautiful examples of his craft at his house.

A staunch supporter of "The Ringing World," he had taken the journal continuously from the first issue.

He was cremated at Gloucester on August 8th and in the evening a half-muffled quarter peal was rung to his memory. One son is left to mourn his loss. L.B.

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University of Bristol Society's Summer Tour



"THE best tour yet" someone remarked, and I believe everyone agreed. It began on Friday, June 28th, when seven people plus bicycles met at Temple Meads Station to catch the train to Worcester. We were joined at Cheltenham by the Cardiff contingent, including the tandem, and on arriving at Worcester the first puncture was discovered. Stoulton was the first tower of the tour (a very pleasant six), which was followed by Bishampton.

We arrived at Broom Youth Hostel somewhat tired—25 miles on the first day is rather strenuous, especially for those like myself who have not cycled for years. There was a party of Americans staying at the youth hostel and we had a very gay evening with them, singing. Have you ever tried to teach an American "On Ilkley Moor ba' tat" with appropriate accents? Very amusing!

On Saturday we cycled to Hampton and then on to Hinton-on-the-Green and back again to Evesham bell tower. Ringing here was very varied and included rounds with the ladies on 9, 10, 11 and 12.

ERIN CINQUES AT THE CATHEDRAL

Sunday morning dawned bright and clear and promised a very hot day. The first tower was at Bredons Norton, 20 miles away, and only the most energetic cycled there: the rest rang at Salford Priors for morning service. Afternoon ringing was at Pershore Abbey, quite an experience, after which we cycled to Worcester, where cold drinks were most welcome. We rang for Evensong at the Cathedral, the ringing including a very good touch of Erin Cinques. The night was spent at Malvern Wells Youth Hostel.

Monday morning saw us scaling the Malvern Hills—it took three men to push the tandem up the road and even then they had not had enough and scaled the next peak. On the way to Eastnor we stopped to climb the British Camp. After lunching in Ledbury we rang at the detached tower and then moved on to Much Marcle. Rushall Youth Hostel came next—no hot water and rather primitive. Trog somehow managed to crack a bone in his thumb during the raid that night.

U.B.S.C.R. ON TOUR, AT WELSH BICKNOR YOUTH HOSTEL

Back row, standing (left to right): Andrew Brock, Mike Gilbey, Mandi McCallion, Roger Havard, Sue Evans, John Plumb, Tony Cox, Ben Walter, John Parsons.

Second row, standing (left to right): Nick Simon, Christine Webb, Mike Zobel, Angela Hawes, Mary Suthers, Judy Geiringer, Mike Platt.

Kneeling (left to right): Enid Hammond, Jill Brearley, Claire Jarvis, Liz Emmett.

Reclining: Clark Walters, Richard Humphries.

While at Mordiford the sky blackened. After a terrific downpour we all arrived rather damp at Hereford Cathedral. Ringing here was unfortunately by no means our best, except for a fairly good half-course of Yorkshire Royal to finish. Leaving Hereford we climbed the hills to Woolhope (an anti-clockwise six), where we again arrived in rather a soggy condition as the rain continued.

BURST TYRE

On Wednesday there was a change of vehicles. Trog had to ride the back of the tandem because of his thumb injury, and Richard rode the front. Sue, therefore, was left with the Moulton. All was well until a burst tyre sent her sailing across the road giving her several bruises and grazes. Meanwhile the men on the tandem were attempting a hill just a little too steep and broke the chain. The tower at Ross was the first of the day, followed after lunch by Weston-under-Penyard and Bridstow, where a touch of spliced made us decide to try for a quarter peal of spliced the next day. The last tower was at Goodrich, then up the hill and over the top we descended to Welsh Bicknor Youth Hostel, right on the banks of the River Wye. Having had no hot water for two days, everyone decided that now was the time to wash everything—the drying room and lines outside were soon full of wet washing. Many of us arrived at supper with damp hair, too. The hostel is one of only two buildings on that

side of the river for about two miles and so our evening's entertainment was sought on the other side. This involved crossing a derelict railway bridge with several planks missing, over a very much swollen River Wye. Coming back at 10.30 was even more exciting.

There was good ringing at Monmouth on Thursday morning, also a birthday celebration for a friend of the secretary and a quarter peal at Bridstow. On leaving Llangarron we met the Vicar, pricing our bicycles for sale—"That one's no good, it's only got little wheels." We returned to Welsh Bicknor, where next morning group photographs were taken. Ringing that day was at Ruardean and Staunton.

ST. BRIAVELS FESTIVAL

The hostel that night was at St. Briavels Castle, of great historic interest. The girls' dormitory was the old prisoners' room and the men had a trapdoor in theirs covering an old well. Saturday morning was free from ringing—cricket and rounds on the beach at Lydney, during which Gill slipped and sprained her ankle. That night there was the annual St. Briavels Festival. We danced furiously until midnight, when all the locals left, and we eventually "hit the hay" about 1.30 a.m. St. Briavels revels made it a fitting end to the tour.

Sunday was very wet. After attending Parish Communion at St. Briavels we lunched at Tintern, and had tea, followed by evening ringing at Chepstow. Very cold and wet we arrived at our last hostel, Seven Bridge, Chepstow. The last ring was at Magor, and after lunch we all parted at Newport.

Many thanks to all incumbents for allowing us to ring and to Jill for the excellent arrangements. This was a tour to be remembered.

E. M. E.

WINCHESTER, HANTS.—At the Cathedral, on Aug. 4th, 1.323 Stedman Cinques: Katharine J. Maundrell 1, Ann Tubbs 2, C. H. Kippin 3, G. Benfield 4, R. Youdale 5, F. L. Harris 6, D. Wilson 7, S. Kirby 8, J. Dodd 9, F. E. Collins 10, R. N. Marlow (cond.) 11, L. F. Cobb 12, First on 12 bells for 1, 7, 8 and 9.

CORRECTIONS & AMENDMENTS

The peals rung at Thatcham, Curdridge and Shedfield, reported on page 641, should be credited to the Portsmouth Diocesan Guild and not as stated.

In the peal at Skillington, Lincs (page 642) a line of the 62 variations was inadvertently omitted. After Lillingstone, read: "Brightwell, Skillington: Stoke Bardolph, Arnold, Sandford, Sulgrave."

Composition of Yorkshire S. Major by Peter S. Muchlinski (page 648). Number of changes 5,152 (not 5,052). Third row of figures 62345 (not 63245).

Mr. John H. Gilbert informs us that the 1969 A.G.M. of the Bath and Wells Association is June 14th, and not June 21st as given in the report of the A.G.M. (issue July 19th).

CHESTER-LE-STREET SURPRISE

Ringers and friends gathered from Sunderland, Lanchester and Chester-le-Street itself for the annual Chester-le-Street trip held on June 22nd. A prompt departure and good coach driving brought us to Masham (8), where the Vicar complimented us as being one of those rare parties who arrive on time. (The Vicar did not know, but that was a supreme piece of dramatic irony.)

We paddled back to the coach through the rain and set off happily over the high hills for Skipton (8). The route looked narrow and winding, but one of the organisers reassured the driver with "Don't worry, I've been over the route before." However, numerous narrow gates, closed gates, mountain streams, sheep and reversings later we found ourselves descending a slippery 1 in 4.3 hill. The gods were against us as we stuck on the tight hairpin bend (with a considerable drop just over the corner), and seemed unable to move backwards or forwards because of the wet gradient. Thinking discretion the better part of valour, we all scurried towards the nearest exit and out on to the bleak Yorkshire moors. Several cars stopped and offered aid (they had to—we were blocking the road with the coach) and after one hour of man power and bus power the coach eventually rounded the bend. (I do wish we had taken a Union Jack to raise the general morale.)

The unfortunate consequence of the delay which no one had expected was that we missed ringing on the fine bells at Skipton. However, the ring at Birstwith (8) proved to be excellent, and it was here that we had the best ringing of the day.

The final objective was the recently installed ring at St. Peter's, Harrogate (8). Here we made good use of the bells in the company of the tower captain, Hugh Dempster. We were apparently rivalising with the "Blood Beast of Terror" showing at the cinema next door, but I'm sure we won!

And so to Chester-le-Street after a most exciting and unusual outing. Thanks are due to the organisers, Ian Wintrip and Denis Bayles, for their reorganisation in the face of unforeseen hazards, and to the coach driver, whose superlative skill extracted us from those hazards on the route—not the least of which was the hairpin bend—and who brought us back home in safety. A. H. W.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD

Owing to a mistake in the catering, members attending the Guild meeting at Rotherfield had a picnic tea in the Rectory following the service conducted by the Rev. P. H. D. Gooderham. Mrs. Gooderham kindly supplied cups of tea and biscuits.

The Guild's oldest member, Mr. A. Relfe, was among the 30 attending the business meeting, when three new members were elected. The main business was the programme ahead: September 14th, Hever, combined with stool-ball match; October 12th, outing, possibly to Winchester Cathedral (names to Mr. C. A. Bassett); November 9th, Merstham and Redhill; December 14th, Horsham. Votes of thanks were passed to the Rector and Mrs. Gooderham.

QUARTER PEALS

AUGHTON, LANCs.—At Christ Church, on June 18th. 1,260 Stedman Triples: Mrs. Mary Perry 1. W. E. Court 2, J. Lunham 3, J. Roebuck (first in method) 4, E. Rothwell 5, J. Rothwell 6, D. R. Jones (cond.) 7, H. Moorcroft 8. Rung half-muffled by the local band in memoriam William Rimmer, 69 years a ringer at this church and buried this day.

BARTON ST. DAVID, SOM.—On Aug. 2nd. 1,260 Doubles (nine meth./var.): K. E. Beale 1. Mrs. L. Parker 2, J. Cornelius (cond.) 3, M. A. Arscott 4, R. Parker 5, D. Adams 6. A birthday compliment to Mr. William Evans, of Devizes.

BROMLEY, KENT.—On Aug. 3rd. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: R. A. Grant 1, Juliet S. Stoy 2, Clare F. Dolphin 3, P. D. Dawson-Taylor (200th tower) 4, Gillian Bosworth-Smith 5, P. R. Johnson (cond.) 6, Elizabeth Timmins 7, L. Christine Slater 8.

CHOLSEY, BERKS.—On July 29th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Eve Hodgson 1, T. W. Palmer 2, P. J. Dye 3, W. W. Rich (first as cond.) 4, J. Hodgson 5, R. Hancock 6. First quarter 1, 5, 6. First effort of training programme.

EDENBRIDGE, KENT.—On Aug. 6th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (6, 8 covering): Pauline Sutton (first quarter) 1, J. R. Palmer 3, E. C. Leigh 4, E. J. Jenner 5, J. H. French 6, B. E. Jeffrey (cond.) 7, Lesley French 8. Rung for Holy Communion to celebrate the Feast of the Transfiguration.

EASTHAMSTEAD, BERKS.—On Aug. 1st. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: C. W. Boyd (first quarter) 1, G. N. Scott 2, F. C. Price (cond.) 3 and 4, A. H. Long 5, S. G. Scott 6.

HUGHENDER, BUCKS.—On July 27th. 1,264 Pl. Bob Major: R. J. Talbot 1, Caroline Mackie 2, R. I. West 3, T. G. Williams 4, M. S. Loveday 5, B. J. Read 6, D. L. Nibbs 7, R. H. Newton (comp. and cond.) 8. Rung by the U.S.G.C.R. as a compliment to the conductor on his 21st birthday; also a birthday compliment to 1 and 3.

LONDON, W.C.—At the Church of St. Clement Danes, on Aug. 2nd. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. Wright 1, A. Frood 2, Mrs. E. M. Bagworth 3, N. J. Bagworth (cond.) 4, P. Chapman 5, E. A. Barnett 6, T. Faulkner 7, F. Seabright 8. Rung on the occasion of the "Evening News" river pageant.

MARK, SOM.—On July 23rd. 1,260 Plain Bob Triples: F. B. Comer 1, K. Prime 2, G. R. Marchant 3, A. G. Kent 4, E. T. Dibble 5, M. J. Stone 6, B. Wyld 7, C. T. Clarke 8.

UPHAM, HANTS.—On June 14th. 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Elizabeth M. Stevenson 1, Nancie E. Colley 2, Betty J. Daysh 3, P. Page 4, E. W. Colley (cond.) 5, J. Pitfield 6.

WANTAGE, BERKS.—On July 14th. 1,260 Minor (Kent T.B. and Plain Bob): A. E. Fullbrook 1, J. R. White 2, H. V. Booker 3, J. C. Baldwin (cond.) 4, A. R. Wood 5, H. White 6. For Evensong. Also on Aug. 4th. 1,260 Stedman Triples: J. C. Baldwin (cond.) 1, A. E. Fullbrook 2, H. V. Booker 3, K. Leach 4, P. G. Davies 5, I. P. Stoter 6, J. R. White 7, H. White 8. For Evensong.

WEST RETFORD, NOTTS.—On Aug. 7th. 1,260 Minor: H. Archer (first quarter) 1, P. N. Mounsey (cond.) 2, B. Birkett 3, R. Fanthorpe 4, Margaret Womack 5, Chris Wright 6. A birthday compliment to the conductor's sister, Diana M. Mounsey.

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PRESTON, RUTLAND.—On Aug. 4th. 1,260 Pl. Bob Minor: A. Naylor 1, J. C. Hudson 2, Patsy M. Barnes 3, S. J. Franklin 4, R. N. Scholes 5, C. J. Groome (cond.) 6. With the best wishes of the Rutland ringers to Ann Sadler, formerly of Preston, on her marriage to Frazer Williams at Windlesham on August 3rd; also on the third wedding anniversary of John and Margaret Woolley.

BELFRY GOSSIP

Mr. A. Youde has rung his first quarter at Nailsea at the age of 78.

Mr. J. Smith, of Tasmania, who is on holiday in this country, rang in a quarter peal at Kirby-le-Soken, Essex.

Next meeting of the East Grinstead Guild at Hever on September 14th will be combined with a stoolball match for a pin of ale.

Congratulations to Miss Doris E. Colgate, hon. secretary of the Ladies' Guild, on ringing her 400th peal. This was rung at St. Mary's, Lambeth, on July 20th.

The author of the recently-published paperback book "Discovering Bellingring" is Mr. John M. F. Camp, J.P., of Amersham, and not Mr. John E. Camp, of Aylesbury.

A welcome visitor to King's Lynn was Mr. Michael Gathercole, home on leave from Lagos, Nigeria. He took part in a quarter of Kent at St. Margaret's on August 11th.

The peal at Ufford on August 17th gave the opportunity for David Vincent and Walter Arnold to ring a peal together, their last with each other being London Surprise at Earls Colne on September 21st, 1926.

Miss Eileen Boast, a pupil of Mr. Charles Brown, of Wingfield, has passed her ringing test in the bronze section of the Duke of Edinburgh's award scheme.

The 100th peal has been rung at Cadoxton, near Neath. The first was rung in 1914 and the 100th on August 10th. Mr. David J. Lewis, now in his 88th year, took part in both. Warmest congratulations.

Mr. W. Viggers reports that sales up to date of the fourth edition of Dove's "Guide to Church Bells of Britain" are much in excess of expectations. There is a greater demand for interleaved copies and Mr. Viggers is meeting this requirement of the Exercise in his binding ratios.

The bells at St. Mary's, Newington-next-Sittingbourne, Kent, are in need of attention and the local ringers have raised £300 towards the cost. They are selling Christmas cards and are planning a charity walk as other means of raising funds. The bells need re-hanging on ball bearings, and other work to the floor and its supports in the ringing chamber is required.

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AN ECHO OF 1964-5

When Mr. Fred Price, of Bournemouth, said goodbye to his ringing pupils at Washington Cathedral in February, 1965, one of them, Miss Mary Alice Horstick, said "I shall come to see you in Bournemouth in 1968." It was no surprise when Mr. Price recently received a telephone call from Mary Alice stating that she was coming to Bournemouth for a week-end with her father, the Bishop of Wisconsin, who is attending the Lambeth Conference, and Mrs. Horstick.

That Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Price and their two sons took their guests to Christchurch Priory, which they found of tremendous interest, and to that little gem of Dorset churches, All Saints', Hampreston. It was here that Mary Alice was able to demonstrate that she had not forgotten what she learned at Washington.

A quick trip around Bournemouth's park and back to Fisherman's Walk for an evening meal concluded a happy visit. The Bishop's comment on Bournemouth: "It is not surprising that business is good in this lovely town."

"UNIQUELY ENGLISH PRE-OCCUPATION"

Jeremy Rundall writes an interesting feature article in "Reading Evening Post" concerning our art. A chat with Mr. Albert Diserens forms the basis of the article. The author's summing-up reads:—

"Change ringing, like the yard, the pound weight system, 12 pennies to a shilling and driving on the left is a peculiarly—in this case uniquely—English preoccupation. On the Continent they have some superb carillons of bells and, being logical, level-headed foreigners, they play tunes on them.

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NEW BERKSHIRE EIGHT

It is hoped the bells of Brightwell-cum-Sotwell, Berks. will be augmented from six to eight in November.

LOGIKIT RINGING MACHINE AT CAMBRIDGE

An electronic ringing machine was built recently in the Cambridge University Engineering Department as an extension to a course on "Electronic Instrumentation" by two undergraduates—Andrew Marland (a ringer) and Robert Hill. The equipment used a Binary system with standard logic gates, bistables and pulse formers and these were plugged into FB Logikit boards. The capacity of the machine was limited by availability of components—a mere £1,000 worth was used! The machine could be programmed to ring Plain Bob Minor and Doubles and eventually Stedman Doubles, and only time prevented further developments. The output was linked to six lamps and six signal generators and fed into a loudspeaker producing a pleasant electronic organ effect. Perfect striking was produced with open hand-stroke leads. Several people attempted to call touches and had varying degrees of success. A 720 of Bob Minor was rung by Alan Scholfield before the machine had to be dismantled.



JOHN S. RANK AND HIS BRIDE

A wedding of special interest to the Eastern District of the Yorkshire Association took place at St. Bartholomew's Church, Clay Cross, Derbyshire, on August 10th, between Mr. John S. Rank and Miss Margaret Kyle Hammerton. The service was conducted by the Rev. L. Reynolds, of Walkington, East Yorks, assisted by the Rev. N. Joyce.

There was ringing before the service, and afterwards members of the Eastern District of the Yorkshire Association rang a quarter peal of Norwich and Cambridge Surprise: A. B. Cooper 1, G. K. Smith 2, K. Goldthorpe 3, Ronald Ducker 4, I. G. Campbell 5, D. S. Johnson (cond.) 6.

BELLRINGER TO PREACH AT WARMINSTER

Evensong at the Minster, Warminster, on Sunday, September 8th, will be a ringers' service. As part of the Office there will be change ringing and (probably) tune ringing on handbells, and the lessons will be read by members of the Minster ringing band. The sermon will be preached by Mr. Norman Pearson, of Haslemere, who is a diocesan reader and headmaster of a Haslemere school. Mr. Pearson will be remembered as a former headmaster of the Minster School in Warminster and a member of the Minster ringing band. He is notable for the generous hospitality he extends to the Warminster bellringers whenever they visit him in Surrey.

Any ringers not engaged "on duty" are cordially invited to take part in the service, which starts at 6.30 p.m.

BELLS FOR BRIGHTON WEDDING AT CHESTER-LE-STREET

It may seem a far cry to ring bells in Chester-le-Street for a wedding in Brighton, but the footnote to the peal at Chester-le-Street on August 10th was no mere afterthought. Distance prevented Durham and Newcastle friends from attending the wedding at St. Matthias' in Brighton and that church lacks a ring of bells. Accordingly a peal was arranged at Chester-le-Street for the wedding of the Rev. William G. Wilson and Anne Patching. Both were students at Durham University, and Anne learned to ring while teaching at Chester-le-Street. All those taking part know Anne and Bill and join in wishing them every happiness in their married life.

METHODS QUIZ

Answers

[Questions on page 584 of July 26th issue.]

1. Fabian Stedman. Published Richard Duckworth's "Tintinnologia" in 1668 and his own "Campanologia" in 1677, the first two works on change ringing.
2. New Bob. Doubles published in "Tintinnologia." Extends.
3. Ten. (Minor 4, Major 6, etc.)
4. Seconds. The second section of all legitimate Treble Bob, Delight and Surprise Minor methods has a place notation of x 12 x.
5. Two, i.e. with or without dodging in 3-4.
6. Barnham. Kent above and Cambridge below is Oswald. Both extend.
7. Wellington Little.
8. Superlative.
9. Seven (Minor 3, Major 5, etc.)
10. Twenty.
11. Double Oxford Bob.
12. Prittlewell.
13. Harleston.
14. Eleven, e.g. Derwent.
15. St. James's Youths Exercise.
16. Albanian.
17. No. The second back sub-section contains only dodging "right."
18. Bala Bob Minor. Does not extend.
19. Plain Bob+hunt bell=Grandsire.
20. York Surprise.

D. W. S.

CHRISTCHURCH FESTIVAL AND RINGERS' SUNDAY

The Christchurch District Festival this year was a little disappointing, probably due to poor publicity. Ringing took place at Ringwood, Fordingbridge, Wimborne St. Giles, Bournemouth (St. Peter's) and Christchurch Priory. About 30 ringers partook of tea prepared by the ladies in Priory Hall.

Ringers' Sunday at the Priory, held the day after the Festival, was most successful, culminating in Choral Evensong, which was attended by a crowded congregation.

The newly-elected Master of the Winchester and Portsmouth Guild, Mr. Roger Savory, read the first lesson, and the Vicar of Christchurch, the Rev. Leslie H. Yorke, preached the sermon, his subject being Gifts, Talents and Service. There was special music by the choir under the direction of Mr. Geoffrey Tristram, and the service concluded with 112 Grandsire Triples rung on handbells, to which the whole congregation remained and listened. The ringers were Mrs. F. J. Marshall 1-2, D. T. Matkin 3-4, A. V. Davis 5-6, R. R. Savory 7-8.

The Priory bells were rung for morning and evening service. During the afternoon there was a good attendance of younger ringers, who rang Grandsire Caters. Stedman Triples, Bob Major, interspersed with good rounds on the twelve.

EAST BERGHOLT BELLS RINGING AGAIN

The 15 cwt. Gabriel bell at East Bergholt, which crashed, has been repaired at Loughborough and is now in use, to the delight of the many visitors. Mr. Claude Rush informs us that the bell frame is out of true and at least one whole side of it has sunk. To put the cage and bells in really good shape some big work will have to be done.

The bells are rung at the following times: Sundays 10.30-11 a.m., 6-6.30 p.m.; Thursdays (practice) 7.30-9 p.m.

TOWER BELL PEALS

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

SHAPWICK, Somerset.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Sat., Aug. 3, 1968, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

Being three extents each of five methods—Stedman, Grandsire, Rev. St. Bartholomew, Plain Bob and Rev. Canterbury: five variations—Fortune, Old, Kennington, St. Columb and Southrepps; and four spliced compositions—Dedworth, Northrepps, April Day and Clifford's Pleasure.

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb.

Keith E. Beale Treble	Mervyn A. Arscott 4
*Mrs. D. Lesley J. Parker .. 2	Robert Parker 5
*Graham Nabb 3	Mervyn R. Arscott Tenor

Conducted by Keith E. Beale.

* Most methods/variations to a peal.

Rung in honour of the birthday of Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother.

EASTON-IN-GORDANO, Somerset.—At the Church of St. George.
On Sat., Aug. 10, 1968, in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In seven methods, being six extents each of St. Nicholas, Winchendon, Rev. Canterbury, St. Simon, St. Martin, Plain Bob and Grandsire.

Tenor 21½ cwt. in E flat.

*Helen Kirkpatrick Treble	Suzanne J. Withers 4
R. William Willans 2	Victor H. James 5
Ronald J. Snack 3	Ralph Haskins Tenor

Conducted by Ronald J. Snack.

* First peal of Doubles.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

SWYNNERTON, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Thurs., Aug. 8, 1968, in 2 Hours and 23 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven different extents.

William H. Watkin Treble	Stephen P. Newton 4
John R. Scott 2	Frank R. Morton 5
Geoffrey A. Edwards 3	*Frederick S. Sutton .. Tenor

Conducted by Frank R. Morton.

* 100th peal for the Guild.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Watkin, wife of the treble ringer.

THE COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD.

BULKINGTON, Warwickshire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sat., Aug. 10, 1968, in 2 Hours and 42 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5008 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lb. in G.

James Draycott Treble	Arthur R. Wright 5
Hubert E. Ashley 2	*Richard T. Liggins 6
*Alan J. Boyd 3	Ian C. Maycock 7
*Anthony R. Crowther .. 4	Geoffrey Pratt Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by Ian C. Maycock.

* First peal of Major. † First of Double Norwich.

Rung with congratulations and best wishes to George Pluckrose and Joy Watkin, who were married earlier in the day.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

READING, Berkshire.—At the Church of St. Laurence.

On Sun., July 21, 1968, in 3 Hours and 35 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5280 YORK SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 23 cwt. 20 lb. in D.

Adrienne Gibson Treble	Peter M. Wilkinson 7
Jane Foster 2	John R. Pratchett 8
Joan Beresford 3	John S. Barnes 9
James A. D. Woolford .. 4	Derek E. Sibson 10
Ronald F. Diserens 5	Philip Mehew 11
Peter Beresford 6	Dennis Beresford Tenor

Conducted by Dennis Beresford.

First peal of York Surprise Maximus by all the band and for the Society.

Rung with best wishes to the Vicar, the Rev. D. J. L. Bean, M.A., on his departure after nine years at St. Laurence's to an appointment at St. Paul's Cathedral, London.

TOTTENHAM.—At the Church of All Hallows.

On Sat., June 29, 1968, in 2 Hours and 49 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr.

Rodney H. French Treble	Stanley G. Ponting 5
M. Louise Slater 2	C. Martin Press 6
John R. Pratchett 3	John S. Barnes 7
Michael H. O'Callaghan .. 4	Dennis Beresford Tenor

Composed by Richard J. Parker.

Conducted by Dennis Beresford.

BENINGTON, Hertfordshire.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., July 6, 1968, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 CASSIOBURY SURPRISE MAJOR

John R. Pratchett Treble	*Michael H. O'Callaghan .. 5
*M. Louise Slater 2	Derek E. Sibson 6
*Christopher B. Fynes .. 3	Dennis Beresford 7
*Christopher P. Starbuck .. 4	*James A. D. Woolford .. Tenor

Composed by Stanley Jenner.

Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.

* First peal in the method.

Tenor 12 cwt. in F sharp.

ALDERSHOT, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Michael, Archangel.

On Tues., July 16, 1968, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5056 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb. in A.

James M. Hills Treble	Christopher P. Starbuck .. 5
*Beryl R. Simpson 2	Stanley G. Ponting 6
David D. Smith 3	Tom Page 7
*Michael J. Church 4	Derek E. Sibson Tenor

Composed by Arthur Knights.

Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.

* First peal of Bristol Surprise Major. 250th peal as conductor.
Rung with the best wishes of the band to the Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Branson on the occasion of their golden wedding.

LAMBETH, London, S.E.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., July 20, 1968, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5024 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In four methods, comprising 1,280 each of Bristol and Cambridge, 1,248 Superlative and 1,216 London, with 107 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.

*Doris E. Colgate Treble	John S. Barnes 5
Joan Beresford 2	Derek E. Sibson 6
John R. Pratchett 3	Philip Mehew 7
Edward F. P. Bryant 4	Dennis Beresford Tenor

Composed by Albert J. Pitman.

Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.

* 400th peal. This composition, produced in 1947, is now rung for the first time.

Tenor 16 cwt. 3 qr. 12 lb. in E flat.

BARNES, Surrey.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Sat., July 27, 1968, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5088 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb. in G.

James M. Hills Treble	*Norman Summerhayes .. 5
Joan Beresford 2	Derek E. Sibson 6
Ian V. J. Smith 3	Peter Beresford 7
Stanley G. Ponting 4	Dennis Beresford Tenor

Composed by Stephen J. Ivin.

Conducted by Dennis Beresford.

* First peal of London Surprise Major.

TOTTENHAM, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. Ann, Stamford Hill.

On Sat., July 27, 1968, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5152 SPICED SURPRISE MAJOR

In 12 methods, comprising 448 each of Bristol, Cambridge, Ealing, Eastcote, Lindum, London, Plumstead, Rutland, Superlative, Thamesmead, Yorkshire and 224 Claybrooke, with 160 changes of method and all the work of each method for every bell.

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 1 lb. in A.

Christopher P. Starbuck .. Treble	John S. Barnes 5
Sheila M. Dobbie 2	Roger Baldwin 6
Edwin A. Barnett 3	Stanley Jenner 7
Derek E. Sibson 4	Dennis Beresford Tenor

Composed by Roger Baldwin.

Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.

This composition is now rung for the first time.

PLUMSTEAD SURPRISE MAJOR

—38—14—58—36.14—14.38.56—36.78. 1.e. 12. b.

THAMESMEAD SURPRISE MAJOR

34—34.16—58—36.14—14.38—34—78. 1.e. 12. b.

THE DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

STANTON-BY-DALE, Derbys.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Mon., Aug. 5, 1968, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In eight methods, being extents of York and Durham, London, Wells, Cambridge, Beverley, Surfleet and Norwich.

Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr.

Jennifer Brackenbury .. Treble	John Moore 4
Nora Carlisle 2	John V. Chadwick 5
Joyce Chadwick 3	Denis R. Carlisle Tenor

Conducted by Denis R. Carlisle.

STANTON-BY-DALE, Derbys.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Tues., Aug. 13, 1968, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In 13 methods, being extents in Carlisle, Munden and Chester, Alnwick and Newcastle, York and Durham, London and Wells, Cambridge, Beverley and Surfleet, Norwich.

Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr.

Jennifer Brackenbury .. Treble	John Moore 4
Nora Carlisle 2	John V. Chadwick 5
Joyce Chadwick 3	Denis R. Carlisle Tenor

Conducted by Denis R. Carlisle.

Most methods in a peal by all.

THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS.

LANSALLOS, Cornwall.—At the Church of St. Ildierna.
On Sat., Aug. 10, 1968, in 2 Hours and 46 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb.

*Alan N. Frost Treble	John C. Mitchelmore .. 5
Alfred Ballard 2	George E. Mudge 6
*Stephen G. Peirce 3	Harry Stacey 7
Brian M. Buswell 4	D. Roy Boulton Tenor

Composed by J. J. Parker.

Conducted by Brian M. Buswell.

* First peal on eight bells.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Stephen G. Peirce.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BRANCEPETH, Co. Durham.—At the Church of St. Brandon.

On Wed., July 17, 1968, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb. in F sharp.

Enid Lawson Treble	Eric N. Harrison 5
Ann Lawson 2	Kenneth Lawson 6
*Malcolm E. Johnson .. 3	James Crowther 7
George S. Deas 4	Michael Maughan Tenor

Composed by Stephen J. Ivin.

Conducted by Michael Maughan.

* First peal in the method.

MORPETH, Northumberland.—At The Watch Tower.

On Wed., Aug. 7, 1968, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 26 lb. in G.

*George S. Deas Treble	John H. Taylor 5
Christine H. Telfer .. 2	Colin C. Monson 6
†David Martin 3	Michael Maughan 7
Eric N. Harrison 4	Denis A. Bayles Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by Denis A. Bayles.

* 300th peal. † First of Major.

‡ First of Cambridge.

CHESTER-LE-STREET, Co. Durham.—At the Collegiate Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Cuthbert.

On Sat., Aug. 10, 1968, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 19 cwt. 2 lb.

*Stephen Atkinson .. Treble	George S. Deas 5
Ian V. Wintrip 2	Jarvis Close 6
Margaret A. P. Bertie .. 3	Denis A. Bayles 7
D. Graham Hall 4	Eric N. Harrison Tenor

Composed by J. Carter.

Conducted by Denis A. Bayles.

* First peal.

Rung as a wedding compliment to the Rev. William G. Wilson and Anne Patching, married this day at St. Matthias, Brighton.

CRAMLINGTON, Northumberland.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sat., Aug. 3, 1968, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being seven extents in 13 methods, viz.: (1) Double Oxford, Thelwall and Pinehurst, (2) St. Clement's, Childwall and Buxton, (3) Durham and York, (4) Kent T.B., (5) Cambridge, Surfleet and Beverley S., (6) Cambridge S., (7) Plain Bob.

Colin C. Monson Treble	Tenor 19 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb. in E.
*Christine H. Telfer .. 2	George S. Deas 4
*David Martin 3	Eric N. Harrison 5
	Michael Maughan Tenor

Conducted by Michael Maughan.

* Most methods to a peal.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

SAFFRON WALDEN, Essex.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Sat., Aug. 10, 1968, in 3 Hours and 43 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5016 PLAIN BOB MAXIMUS

Tenor 24 cwt. in E.

Michael J. Howes .. Treble	*Stephen D. Humphrey .. 7
*Neil V. Avis 2	Michael J. Hallett .. 8
*Vivian A. P. Cross .. 3	*Brian J. Vaughan .. 9
Kenneth Warner .. 4	*Adrian G. Semken .. 10
*Peter G. Pitt 5	*†David E. Culham .. 11
Frank B. Lufkin .. 6	Alfred J. House Tenor

Composed by John Reeves.

Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.

* First peal of Maximus. † 50th peal.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

AYMESTREY, Herefordshire.—At the Church of St. John the Baptist and St. Alkmund.

On Thurs., Aug. 8, 1968, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Seven extents in seven methods: Cambridge S., Oxford T.B., Kent T.B., Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Leslie Evans Treble	Austin T. Wingate .. 4
Peter Sell 2	George T. Cousins .. 5
Marcus Sherwood .. 3	Wilfrid F. Moreton .. Tenor

Conducted by Wilfrid F. Moreton.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ST. ALBANS, Herts.—At the Cathedral and Abbey Church of St. Alban.

On Sat., Aug. 10, 1968, in 3 Hours and 11 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5000 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 22 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. in D.

Michael D. Frost .. Treble	Robert E. Hardy 7
Kenneth J. Darvill .. 2	John E. Ewer 8
Eric Edmondson .. 3	Anthony R. Carter .. 9
Katherine S. Hardy .. 4	Harold V. Frost .. 10
Thomas J. Lock .. 5	Gerald Penney .. 11
Christopher Forster .. 6	*Peter T. Dale Tenor

Composed by John Chilcott.

Conducted by Michael D. Frost.

* First peal of Stedman Cinques. First in the method and on 12 as conductor.

Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Miss Julia A. Fellows.

PORTSMOUTH, Hants.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Thomas of Canterbury.

On Sat., Aug. 3, 1968, in 3 Hours and 15 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 ALBANIAN SURPRISE ROYAL

Wratten's Collection No. 149. Tenor 25½ cwt. in E flat.

Eric Edmondson .. Treble	*Frederick W. Ellis .. 6
*Katherine S. Hardy .. 2	John E. Ewer 7
Kenneth J. Darvill .. 3	*Robert E. Hardy .. 8
*Thomas J. Lock .. 4	Michael D. Frost .. 9
Anthony R. Carter .. 5	Gerald Penney Tenor

Conducted by Gerald Penney.

* First peal in the method.

THE IRISH ASSOCIATION

DROGHEDA, Co. Louth.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Sat., Aug. 3, 1968, in 3 Hours and 12 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

*Ronald F. Andrew .. Treble Bernard F. L. Groves .. 5 |

Martin L. Howe .. 2	M. Jack Pryor 6
Jack L. Millhouse .. 3	Peter S. Muchlinski .. 7
Geoffrey R. Parker .. 4	Robert B. Smith Tenor

Composed by C. Middleton.

Conducted by Bernard F. L. Groves.

* First peal of Surprise. Tenor 22 cwt. 18 lb. in E flat.

CORK, Co. Cork.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Fin Barre.

On Wed., Aug. 7, 1968, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5152 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 27 cwt. 20 lb. in D flat.

*Ronald F. Andrew .. Treble	Peter S. Muchlinski .. 5
Jack L. Millhouse .. 2	Bernard F. L. Groves .. 6
Martin L. Howe .. 3	*M. Jack Pryor 7
Geoffrey R. Parker .. 4	*Robert B. Smith .. Tenor

Composed by Dennis Knox.

Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse.

* First peal in the method. † 500th of Surprise.

LIMERICK, Co. Limerick.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Mary.

On Fri., Aug. 9, 1968, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES

Dexter's No. 1. Tenor 24 cwt. 1 lb.

Martin L. Howe .. Treble	Peter S. Muchlinski .. 5
Geoffrey R. Parker .. 2	M. Jack Pryor 6
Jack L. Millhouse .. 3	Robert B. Smith .. 7
Bernard F. L. Groves .. 4	*Ronald F. Andrew .. Tenor

Conducted by Robert B. Smith.

* First peal of Triples and of Stedman. First of Stedman on the bells.

Rung for the 800th anniversary of the founding of St. Mary's Cathedral Church.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

MAIDSTONE, Kent.—At the Church of All Saints.

On Sat., Aug. 10, 1968, in 3 Hours and 10 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5163 STEDMAN CATERS

Tenor 32 cwt. 20 lb. in C sharp.

Lucile M. Corby .. Treble	Trevor A. Cross .. 6
Judith M. Corby .. 2	John Pladdys 7
Richard Hayes .. 3	Tony Lewis 8
Doris E. Colgate .. 4	Philip A. Corby .. 9
*†Thomas Cullingworth .. 5	*Andrew J. Corby .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by John Pladdys.

* Have now "circled the tower." † 650th peal. First on ten bells as conductor.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, Kent.—At the Church of St. Peter.

On Mon., Aug. 5, 1968, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR

Tenor 14 cwt. 3 lb. in F sharp.

*Lynn Warner .. Treble	Derek Slater 5
Reginald E. Lambert .. 2	John A. Howard .. 6
Robert T. Lambert .. 3	Ernest J. Ladd .. 7
Alexander Waddington .. 4	Frank H. Hicks Tenor

Composed by C. W. Roberts.

Conducted by Ernest J. Ladd.

* First peal of Major.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the seventh and tenor.

THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

BRISTOL.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Redcliffe.
On Sat., Aug. 10, 1968, in 3 Hours and 46 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 50 cwt. 2 qr. 21 lb. in B.

Malcolm E. Wade Treble	D. John Hunt 7
Beryl E. Cawser 2	*Geoffrey J. Hemming 8
John M. Jelley 3	John Bramley 9
Martin Green 4	Roland H. Cook 10
Roger G. Havard 5	A. Maxwell Lindsey 11
Gerald C. Hemming 6	R. Kingsley Mason Tenor

Arranged by Roderick W. Pipe. Conducted by R. Kingsley Mason.
* 500th peal

Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. Martin C. Faulkes, of Hinckley, Leics. and Miss Helen Ashworth, of Hampton, Middlesex, whose wedding took place at Shepperton, Middlesex, on August 3rd. Also to congratulate the ringer of the seventh and Gillian Hunt on the birth of a daughter.

LEICESTER.—At the Church of St. Margaret.
On Sat., Aug. 10, 1968, in 3 Hours and 26 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5065 STEDMAN CINQUES

Tenor 32 cwt. 3 qr. 14 lb. in C sharp.

Philip N. Tubbs Treble	Michael J. Thomas 7
Ann M. Tubbs 2	Gwilym Salmon 8
Jean F. Woolford 3	R. Roger Savory 9
Richard H. Youdale 4	*Edward J. Chivers 10
Michael J. Best 5	Robert C. Kippin 11
Frank L. Harris 6	James A. D. Woolford .. Tenor

Composed by Shirley Burton.

* 25th 12-bell peal.

Conducted by Philip N. Tubbs.

CLAYBROOKE, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Peter.
On Sat., Aug. 10, 1968, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

J. George's variation of Carter's 12-part.

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qr. 7 lb. in E flat.

Jane M. Tooby Treble	K. Paul Gilliver 5
Brian L. Burrows 2	Robin A. Gilliver 6
Christopher M. Sturgess .. 3	John Watkins 7
Neville W. Price 4	William Johnson Tenor

Conducted by K. Paul Gilliver.

First peal of Grandsire Triples for all except the ringer of the tenor.

ILLSTON-ON-THE-HILL, Leics.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sat., Aug. 3, 1968, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Being three 720's Plain Bob and four Kent and Oxford spliced.

Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb.

*Beverley Burrows Treble	Ronald Russell 4
Hazel G. Nichols 2	Guy Slater 5
Raymond H. Martin 3	Edward W. Martin Tenor

Conducted by Edward W. Martin.

* First peal at first attempt.

WANLIP, Leics.—At the Church of Our Lady and St. Nicholas.

On Mon., Aug. 5, 1968, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Being seven extents.

Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb. in B flat.

*J. Crawford Allen Treble	Geoffrey C. Sparling 4
David F. Moore 2	Clive J. Mobbs 5
*Gillian A. Hare 3	Roger N. Scholes Tenor

Conducted by David F. Moore.

* First peal.

LOUGHBOROUGH, Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile.
On Fri., Aug. 9, 1968, in 2 Hours and 28 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Seven extents differently called.

Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in B.

*Frances A. Pegg Treble	Roger I. Kendrick 4
†Cherrill L. Everard 2	B. Stedman Payne 5
Mary C. Poyner 3	Clive J. Mobbs Tenor

Conducted by B. Stedman Payne.

* First peal. † First of Minor "inside."

THE LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

MARSHFIELD, Monmouthshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Thurs., Aug. 8, 1968, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 11 cwt. in A.

Rev. G. J. B. Stickland .. Treble	Alexander E. Marsh 5
*Ruth E. Havard 2	Paul A. Williams 6
*Stephen Fenwick 3	Nicholas W. H. Simon 7
*James Clatworthy 4	Charles P. Quartley Tenor

Composed by P. G. K. Davies. Conducted by Nicholas W. H. Simon.

* First peal of Rutland. First of Surprise and the fastest on the bells.

CADOXTON, near Neath, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Catwg.
On Sat., Aug. 10, 1968, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES

In five methods: Stedman, Grandsire, Plain Bob. Rev. Canterbury and Rev. St. Bartholomew and three variations.

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. in B.

David J. Lewis Treble	Alwyn R. Lewis 4
Harry Boyce 2	Gwyn I. Lewis 5
William J. Thomas 3	Benjamin Williams Tenor

Conducted by Gwyn I. Lewis.

100th peal on the bells. Mr. David J. Lewis rang in the first peal on these bells in 1914, and in his 88th year.

NEATH, Glamorgan.—At the Church of St. Thomas.

On Sat., Aug. 10, 1968, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt. 8 lb. in B flat.

William T. Petty Treble	John T. Williams 4
Edmund J. Morris 2	Gwyn I. Lewis 5
*Lawrence C. Hanney 3	Alwyn R. Lewis Tenor

Conducted by Gwyn I. Lewis.

* First peal of Minor.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

WELLS-NEXT-THE-SEA, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Nicholas.

On Sun., Aug. 4, 1968, in 3 Hours and 4 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5136 GRANDSIRE MAJOR

Tenor 16 cwt. 100 lb. in F sharp.

David G. Adams Treble	Peter Adcock 5
Hilary Adcock 2	George P. Adams 6
Desmond P. Mortlock 3	Leslie F. Bailey 7
Janet House 4	David E. House Tenor

Composed by Roger Baldwin. Conducted by David E. House.

First peal of Grandsire Major by all the band.

BUNWELL, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Fri., Aug. 2, 1968, in 2 Hours and 36 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR

Being seven 720's. Tenor 10 cwt.

Leslie F. Bailey Treble	Henry Tooke 4
Desmond P. Mortlock 2	Frank C. J. Arnold 5
David Cubitt 3	H. William Barrett Tenor

Conducted by Leslie F. Bailey.

PASTON, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Margaret.

On Sat., Aug. 3, 1968, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

In seven methods, being one extent each of Ipswich, York, Nether-seale, Primrose, London, Cambridge and Norwich.

Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qr. 3 lb.

Gilbert E. Larter Treble	Walter Ayre 4
C. Valerie Mills 2	Brian M. Barker 5
Richard A. J. Bower 3	Reginald E. J. Sheppard .. Tenor

Conducted by Walter Ayre.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

HUGHENDEN, Bucks.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels.

On Sat., Aug. 3, 1968, in 2 Hours and 51 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR

Comprising two extents of Cambridge, one of Oxford T.B., two of Kent T.B. and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qr. 19 lb.

Sydney M. Bailey Treble	Percy Newton 4
Louise A. M. Evans 2	Roland Biggs 5
Joyce I. Cornwall 3	David A. Cornwall Tenor

Conducted by David A. Cornwall.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Wendy Hussey and Kenneth Balfour.

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THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

STRATFORD-ON-AVON, Warks.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Sat., Aug. 10, 1968, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5000 LONDON SURPRISE ROYAL

Beddington version.		Tenor 19 cwt. 2 lb.	
*Stanley M. Ruddlesden ..	Treble	Geoffrey W. Randall ..	6
Patrick I. Chapman ..	2	Roger W. Smith ..	7
Shirley E. Ruddlesden ..	3	Alan J. Frost ..	8
Barrie Hendry ..	4	Graham C. Paul ..	9
Alan A. Paul ..	5	Richard F. B. Speed ..	Tenor
Composed by Roderick W. Pipe.		Conducted by Richard F. B. Speed.	
* 100th peal.			

EASTON NESTON, Northants.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., July 20, 1968, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5056 NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lb. in G.

*Kilby M. Holtom ..	Treble	Barry R. Care ..	5
*Bridget Bates ..	2	*Christopher C. Stokes ..	6
Gillian M. Brearley ..	3	*Alan A. Paul ..	7
*Malcolm J. V. Chown ..	4	*Graham C. Paul ..	Tenor
Composed by G. H. Cross.		Conducted by Alan A. Paul.	

Rung for the wedding of Mr. Roger W. Smith and Miss Delia M. Langton, which took place at Milton Malsor, Northants, in the morning previous to the peal.

THE ST. DAVID'S DIOCESAN GUILD.

PEMBROKE.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Aug. 10, 1968, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES

Being a Morris's 240 and 40 extents (10 callings).	Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr.		
Anthony R. Trickett ..	Treble	Philip C. Rogers ..	4
Simon P. Rogers ..	2	Richard L. Underwood ..	5
*John Prytherch ..	3	†Ivor Russant ..	Tenor

Conducted by Richard L. Underwood.

* First peal of Doubles. † First peal.

Rung to mark the visit of H.M. the Queen to Pembrokeshire to open the Gulf Oil Refinery, at which the ringers of the 3rd is employed.

ST. FLORENCE, Pembrokeshire.—At the Church of St. Florencius.

On Wed., Aug. 14, 1968, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PEMBROKE DELIGHT MINOR

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lb. in F sharp.

Rev. Russen W. Thomas	Treble	*Philip C. Rogers	4
Simon P. Rogers ..	2	Richard L. Underwood ..	5
Katharine J. Maundrell ..	3	Anthony R. Trickett ..	Tenor

Conducted by Richard L. Underwood.

* 25th peal. First in the method by all the band, in the county and for the Guild.

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

BIRMINGHAM.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew, Edgbaston.

On Wed., Aug. 7, 1968, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5024 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 10 cwt. 14 lb. in G.

John N. Lindon ..	Treble	Peter J. England ..	5
Susan E. Smith ..	2	A. Bryan Ellsmore ..	6
Stephen W. Barton ..	3	Maurice F. Edwards ..	7
J. Alan Ainsworth ..	4	Clifford A. Barron ..	Tenor

Composed by Joseph W. Parker. Conducted by Clifford A. Barron.

Rung as a compliment to Carole A. Chester and Nigel H. Moore, who were married at St. Peter's Church, Harborne, Birmingham, earlier in the day.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

TROWBRIDGE, Wiltshire.—At the Church of St. James.

On Sat., July 27, 1968, in 3 Hours and 48 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5280 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS

Tenor 24 cwt.

Elisabeth A. G. Bowden ..	Treble	*John Brian ..	7
Albert Diserens ..	2	Ralph G. Edwards ..	8
Diana M. Bridle ..	3	*Peter Bridle ..	9
David J. Forder ..	4	Tom Chapman ..	10
James R. Taylor ..	5	Ronald F. Diserens ..	11
Philip M. J. Gray ..	6	Noel J. Diserens ..	Tenor

Composed by Charles J. Sedgley. Conducted by Noel J. Diserens.

* First peal of Maximus. † First on 12 bells.

Rung for the Feast of St. James.

WEST OVERTON, Wiltshire.—At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels

On Sat., Aug. 10, 1968, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Seven different extents. Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

*Barbara C. Read ..	Treble	Ann Toomer ..	4
Rev. Roger Keeley ..	2	†George A. Newman ..	5
Allan G. Keen ..	3	Frederick J. Read ..	Tenor

Conducted by Frederick J. Read.

* First peal at first attempt. † First of Minor. First of Minor as conductor.

Rung as a farewell to the Rev. Roger Keeley, who is leaving shortly to become Vicar of All Saints', Whiteparish, near Salisbury.

THE SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.

BOTTESFORD, Leics.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Sat., Aug. 3, 1968, in 3 Hours and 21 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

*G. A. (Ben) Duke Treble	Alan H. Bridges 5
†Sheila M. Anthony 2	Richard A. G. Inglis 6
†William L. Exton 3	George A. Dawson 7
§David Stainsby 4	Simon Humphrey Tenor
Composed by C. P. Starbuck.	
Conducted by George A. Dawson.	
* First peal on eight bells. † First of Yorkshire. ‡ 300th peal and 275th for the Guild. § First of Yorkshire "inside."	
Rung as a compliment to F. Neville Pailing and Margaret Gardam, who were married this day at the Church of St. Mary, Cottingham, East Yorkshire.	
Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lb. in E flat.	

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

BURES, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Fri., Aug. 2, 1968, in 3 Hours and 2 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR

Tenor 21 cwt in E.

*John P. Loveless ..	Treble	Mrs. Leslie D. Mills ..	5
David J. Reeve ..	2	†Donald L. Mills ..	6
†Evelyn R. M. Reeve ..	3	Alan R. Elliot ..	7
Leslie D. Mills ..	4	George W. Pipe ..	Tenor
Composed by Nolan Golden.		Conducted by George W. Pipe.	

* First peal of Major. † 25th peal together.

Rung as a wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Mills and the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Elliot. Also wishing a speedy and permanent recovery to Nolan Golden.

UFFORD, Suffolk.—At the Church of the Assumption.

On Sat., Aug. 17, 1968, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5024 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

Tenor 13½ cwt.

David Vincent ..	Treble	Ernest G. Pearce ..	5
W. Keith Whittell ..	2	Frank B. Lufkin ..	6
Alan R. Bridges ..	3	Walter Arnold ..	7
Heather M. McArthur ..	4	Adrian G. Semken ..	Tenor
Composed by J. A. Trollope.		Conducted by Frank B. Lufkin.	

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

PUTNEY, London.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin.

On Thurs., Aug. 8, 1968, in 3 Hours and 5 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES

Holt's Original.	Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lb. in F.		
Julie S. Armstrong ..	Treble	Michael J. Uphill ..	5
Christopher F. Mew ..	2	George A. Dawson ..	6
Caroline F. Madge ..	3	Alan E. Bagworth ..	7
Elizabeth J. Foster ..	4	Christopher P. Starbuck ..	Tenor

Conducted by Christopher F. Mew.

Rung half-muffled in memory of Doris Hilda Mann, wife of Bernard Mann and mother of Alison Mann, ringers at this church, whose funeral took place at Goldhanger, Essex, earlier this day.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(Northern Division.)

COLEMAN'S HATCH, Sussex.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity.

On Tues., Aug. 6, 1968, in 2 Hours and 57 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 2 lb. in G.

Valerie Howard ..	Treble	Derek Slater ..	5
*R. Jean Osbon ..	2	David D. Smith ..	6
†Charlotte Harris ..	3	John A. Howard ..	7
Roger Osbon ..	4	George Francis ..	Tenor

Composed by R. F. B. Speed. Conducted by George Francis.

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

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

ELING, Hampshire.—At the Church of St. Mary.

On Sat., Aug. 10, 1968, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR

Tenor 12 cwt.

*Graham M. Hartless (10)	Treble	John S. Hopwood ..	4
*Gladys D. Northway ..	2	†Trevor Matcham ..	5
*Bryan M. Mackrell ..	3	John Hartless ..	Tenor

Conducted by John Hartless.

* First peal. † First peal "inside." First on the bells since re-hanging. First here by any Eling ringers.

Rung as a welcome to the Rev. Charles Clisby Green, Vicar.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

ASHTON-UNDER-HILL, Worcs.—At the Church of St. Barbara.

On Mon., July 22, 1968, in 2 Hours and 17 Minutes.

A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR

Being one extent each of Westminster, Netherseale, Bourne, London, Surfleet, Beverley and Cambridge.	Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lb. in A.		
*Geoffrey J. Hemming ..	Treble	Geoffrey R. Drew ..	4
*Ian Lloyd ..	2	*Arthur C. Berry ..	5
Shirley M. Drew ..	3	*Gerald C. Hemming ..	Tenor

Conducted by Arthur C. Berry.

* First peal or seven Surprise Minor.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Pitt on the birth of a daughter.

NOTICES

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ENGAGEMENTS

BROWN—QUILTER. — The engagement is announced between Peter Brown, of Springfield, Chelmsford, and Josephine Ann Quilter, of Braintree, Essex. 4573

KENT—MARCHANT. — Eleanor and Geoffrey, of Bridgwater, Somerset, have pleasure of announcing their engagement on Saturday, August 24th. 4595

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGE

SCHOLFIELD—ALCOCK. — The wedding between Alan and Jenny will take place at St. George's Church, Hyde, Cheshire, on September 7th at 12.30 p.m. All friends welcome at the church. Bells available after the ceremony. Future address: 10, St. Regis, Chesterton Road, Cambridge. 4586

PERSONAL

Will Miss C. Mackie please contact this office as her copies of "The Ringing World" are being returned from the Simpson's Hotel, Brighton.

Congratulations from all ringing friends to Jafus, whose 83rd birthday is during this coming week-end.

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BENNETT.—As from August 29th, David, Gill and Claire's address will be 78, The Lane, Blackheath Park, Blackheath, London S.E.3. Phone No. 01-852 7424. 4583

MOVLEY.—The address of Christopher M. Movley is now Flat 10, 20, Wilbraham Road, Fallowfield, Manchester 14. Tel.: 061-224 1732. 4596

NEALE.—Would all ringing friends please note that the address of Brian and Ann is now 166, Llanedeyrn Road, Cyncoed, Cardiff, CF3 7EA. 4606

ROGERS.—Chris and Liz are now living at 25, Windsor Drive, Ashford, Middlesex. No telephone yet. 4591

UDALL.—The address of A. Frank Udall is now 54, Cromwell Road, Wimbledon, S.W.19. Phone: 01-542 7066. 4577

MISCELLANEOUS

THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

Palmerston Place, Edinburgh.

There will be no ringing practice on Thursday, August 29th, due to festival performances in the Cathedral. 4576

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FLOWER FESTIVAL

Sept. 14th, 15th, 16th, 10 a.m.—9 p.m.

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ST. NICHOLAS', DEREHAM, NORFOLK

Flower Festival—Sept. 13th, 14th & 15th

Ringing: Friday 7-9 p.m. Surprise

Major practice Saturday 5-8 p.m.

Sunday 8.45-9.30 a.m., 10.30-11 a.m.

5.30-6.30 p.m.

Refreshments till 7 p.m. (Sunday 6 p.m.).

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ST. LUKE'S, CHELSEA, OUTING

September 21st, 1968

Would you like to join us on a day's outing to the Leicester area? If so, please contact A. Frank Udall, 54, Cromwell Road, S.W.19 (01-542 7066). Approximate cost 27s. 6d. 4578

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Sunday 7.30—9.00 p.m.

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WENDOVER, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

Flower Festival

Sept. 7th 10—8 p.m.

Sept. 8th between services until 8.30 p.m.

Bells on 7th 10—1 p.m., 6—7 p.m.

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HERTFORDSHIRE.—Kimpton Cup Competition. — Saturday, October 5th, 3 p.m. Rules and arrangements as last year. Judges: Pat Cannon and Charles Kippin. Entries to J. G. Cull, 5, The Green, Kimpton, Herts, by September 28th. 4549

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION DINNER

at Moor Court Hotel, Amberley, on Saturday, September 28th. Tickets (25s.) and ringing details from Mrs. Wratten, 19, Ravensgate Road, Cheltenham, by September 14th. 4608

CHIGWELL, ESSEX.—Practice night will be held on Fridays at 7.30 p.m. starting on August 30th. All visitors welcome. 4594

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Annual Dinner, Eliot College, University of Kent at Canterbury, September 21st, 7 for 7.30 p.m. Tickets 19s. 6d. Application for tickets (with s.a.e.) to District Secretaries until September 7th, or until Tuesday, September 17th, to Mr. B. J. Luck, 20, Beaconsfield Road, Canterbury. Bed and breakfast available Eliot College, 21s. per head. Apply Mr. Luck. — P. A. Corby, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4413

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leicester District.—The September Surprise practice at Wigston Magna has been cancelled owing to holidays.—Ron Hughes. 4515

SOUTHAMPTON UNIVERSITY GUILD.—Will all those starting at Southampton University this October please write to Susan Davis, 90, Elers Road, West Ealing, London, W.13, for details of the Guild's activities. 4540

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division. — Car Rally, September 7th. Assemble outside the Black Swan, Pease Potage, at 3 p.m. Map of Mid-Sussex required—preferably O.S. 1 inch Sheet No. 182. Entries limited—first 12 cars accepted. Tea and evening ringing for those who arrive at destination. Car entries and names for tea, please, to Mrs. Jean Osbon, 79, Blount Avenue, East Grinstead, Sussex. Tel. E.G. 23815. 4568

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Preliminary Notice.—The Annual Dinner will be held on Saturday, October 26th, at the Co-operative Hall, Worcester, at 6.30 p.m. Full details will be published later.—D. B. 4592

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MEETINGS

DONCASTER AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Barnby Dun, Saturday, August 31st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.; cups of tea only. 4569

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Fylde Branch.—Meeting at St. Helen's Parish Church, Churchtown, near Garstang, on Saturday, August 31st. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. 4577

SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS. — Evening meeting at Balderton (8) on Saturday, August 31st, 6 p.m. prompt.—D. Stainsby, Hon. Sec. 4539

GUILDFORD GUILD (Leatherhead District) and **SURREY ASSOCIATION** (Northern District).—Combined meeting at Leatherhead, Monday, September 2nd. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Further ringing after tea. Names for tea to Mrs. Robinson, 32, Gatesden Road, Fetcham, Leatherhead. Regret no name, no tea. 4560

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Meeting at Bolsterstone (8) 3-5, tea at 5 p.m., and Bradfield (6) 6.30-9 p.m., on Bank Holiday Monday, September 2nd. Names for tea to R. Fletcher, 34, Dransfield Road, Crosspool, Sheffield S.10 5RN.—R. Fletcher, Hon. Sec. 4545

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Dunster Branch. Quarterly meeting at Exford on Saturday, September 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea for those notifying secretary by September 4th.—E. R. Tyndale-Biscoe, Burnells Gardens, Dunster 346. 4600

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN.—Ilchester Branch. — Quarterly meeting, St. Mary's (6), Hardington Mandeville, Sept. 7th, 3.30 p.m.—9 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. Gilbert Rendell, Hardington (West Coker 266) by Wednesday previous.—Mrs. M. M. Legget, Branch Hon. Sec. 4505

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—Meeting, Wootton, Saturday, September 7th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Tea 4.45. Names to Mr. S. Wooler, 85, Cause End Road, Wootton, by 5th. 4601

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD. — Southern District.—Meeting at Great Woolford on Saturday, September 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Further ringing after tea until 8 p.m. All most welcome. Names for tea to R. W. Sherriff, 20, Warwick Road, Southam, Leamington Spa (Tel. Southam 2510), by September 4th. 4603

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Ely District.—Meeting at Wilburton on Saturday, September 7th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Ringing until 8.30. Special methods: Oxford Bob and Hull Surprise. 4607

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — Chersey District.—Meeting at Esher on Saturday, September 7th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea following for those who notify J. F. M. Maybrey, 24, Torington Road, Claygate, Esher, by previous Wednesday. 4604

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Evening meeting on Saturday, September 7th. Sandon (5) 5.30-7 p.m. and Ardeley (6) 7-8.30 p.m.—C. A. Agg, Dis. Sec. 4605

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Rochester District.—By-meeting at Cobham, Saturday, September 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. K. M. Haig, Rose Cottage, Cobham, Gravesend, by previous Wednesday, please.—T. Barton. 4558

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Blackburn Branch.—Meeting at Holy Trinity (6), Darwen, from 1430 to 1700 on Saturday, September 7th. Cups of tea at 1700, then business meeting. Evening ringing possibly at Holy Trinity (8), Blackburn. — Brian Tomlinson, Branch Sec. 4598

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Furness and Lake District Branch.—Meeting at Barrow-in-Furness on Saturday, September 7th. Bells (8) 2.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. E. Burles, 10, Red Ley Lane, Walney, Barrow-in-Furness.—T. F. Metcalfe. 4581

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD (Eastern Branch) and **LADIES' GUILD.**—Joint meeting at Spilsby on Saturday, September 7th. Bells (6) available 2.30. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. R. Reynolds, 9, Abbey Crescent, Swineshead, Boston, Lincs. y September 1st. 4538

PETERBOROUGH GUILD SUMMER FESTIVAL

On Saturday, September 7th, at Weldon, near Corby.

Committee meeting in the Rectory at 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea in Village Hall at 5 p.m. Tea tickets (3s. 6d. each and c.w.o.) from Mr. R. A. Webster, 17, Church Street, Weldon, Corby, before Tuesday, September 3rd.

Ringling arrangements:

Lowick (6)	10.00 a.m.—11 a.m.	
Warrington (6)	10.00 a.m.—11.00 a.m.	7.00 p.m.—9.00 p.m.
Stoke Doyle (5)	11.00 a.m.—12 noon.	
Brigstock (5)	11.00 a.m.—12 noon.	7.00 p.m.—8.30 p.m.
Bulwick (5)	11.30 a.m.—12.30 p.m.	7.00 p.m.—8.00 p.m.
Oundle (8)	12 noon—1.30 p.m.	7.30 p.m.—8.30 p.m.
Deene (6)	12.30 p.m.—1.30 p.m.	7.00 p.m.—9.00 p.m.
Corby (6)	1.30 p.m.—2.30 p.m.	7.00 p.m.—8.00 p.m.
Benfield (6)	1.30 p.m.—2.30 p.m.	7.00 p.m.—9.00 p.m.
Weldon (6)	2.00 p.m.—4.15 p.m.	After tea—8.30 p.m.

F. BILLINGS, General Secretary. 4533

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Lancaster Branch.—Meeting at Crosthwaite, Kendal, on Saturday, September 7th, on the occasion of the Flower Festival. Bells available all day. Visiting bands welcome, particularly in the morning. Tea 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. P. Handley, Craketrees, Whinfell, Kendal. Tea in Lyth Valley Hotel. 4580

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Wigan Branch.—Meeting at Winnick and Newton-le-Willows on Saturday, September 7th. Ringing at Winnick (6) 2.30 p.m. Tea at Newton-le-Willows (8) 5 p.m., followed by evening ringing. Names for tea to Mr. E. A. Flint, 16, Rob Lane, Newton-le-Willows. All visitors very welcome.—D. R. Jones, Hon. Sec. 4566

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Leicester District.—Meeting at Knighton (5), September 7th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting in Old School Hall. Everyone welcome. Names to G. H. Laker, 35, Sidney Road, Leicester (Phone Leicester 74727) by September 4th.—Ron Hughes. 4516

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. — Devizes Branch.—Branch Striking Competition at Seend, Saturday, September 7th. Draw takes place at 2.30 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr. J. Abbott, 43, The Lye, Seend, near Melksham. 4525

SELBY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. — Monthly meeting, Escrick, Saturday, September 7th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15. Please make own arrangements for tea.—L. M. Woodhead, Hon. Sec. 4564

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Nottingham District. — Meeting at Stapleford, Saturday, September 7th. Bells (6) at 5.30 p.m.—S. Adams. 4579

SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. — N. Notts.—Meeting at Laxton, September 7th, commencing 3 p.m. Book teas from D. Chambers, Dovecote Cottage, Laxton, Newark. 4610

BEVERLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—Open practice at Holy Trinity, Hull, on Monday, September 9th, 7 p.m.—9 p.m. All welcome. 4587

SUFFOLK GUILD.—North West District.—Practice meeting at Hesselst (5) on Friday evening, September 13th. Bells from 7 to 9 p.m.—A. F. Ballam. 4599

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.—Stoolball match at Hever, Saturday, September 14th, 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. (Bring own food—cups of tea will be provided.) Service 6 p.m. Ringing 6.30-8.30 p.m. 4590

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Ashford District.—Meeting at High Halden, Saturday, September 14th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Names for tea to Mr. J. F. Burden, 23, The Chennels, High Halden, Ashford, by Thursday, September 12th.—A. P. S. B. 4490

LADIES' GUILD.—Devon Branch.—Meeting at Stoke Damerel (6), Saturday, September 14th. Bells from 2.30. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea

5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Names for tea to Mrs. R. J. Southwood, 11, Sydney Close, Plympton, by Monday, September 9th. 4567

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The half-yearly and committee meeting will be held at St. Luke's, Heywood (jointly with Rochdale Branch meeting) on Saturday, September 14th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Names for tea to J. P. Partington, 1, Bankfield Lane, Bamford, Rochdale, by Monday, September 9th. — F. Reynolds, Gen. Sec. 4543

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. — Central Branch.—Meeting, Scothern, Saturday, September 14th. Bells (6) from 2.30. Service 4.15, followed by tea and meeting. Names for tea to G. R. Parker, 56, Sudbrooke Lane, Nettleham, Lincoln, by Wednesday previous.—G. R. P. 4602

SUFFOLK GUILD.—South East District.—Quarterly meeting at Hollesley (8), Saturday, September 14th. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15, followed by meeting. Ringing in evening about 7 p.m. Please make this a good meeting. All friends welcome. Names for tea to Mrs. W. Lockwood, 2, Chalk Pit Cottages, Oulton, near Ipswich, **not later than Wednesday, September 11th.**—W. Lockwood, Dis. Sec. 4609

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Christchurch and Southampton District.—Quarterly meeting, St. Peter's, Bournemouth, September 14th. Bells 2.45-4.45. Tea and meeting in St. Peter's Hall. 5. Sopley bells after meeting. Names for tea to A. C. Conway, 121a, Richmond Park Road, Bournemouth, by September 12th. 4584

QUARTER PEALS

BILSBORROW, LANCs.—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. Nelson 1, L. Walmsley 2, S. Anderson 3, D. Lawson (cond.) 4, J. D. Nixon 5, S. Walmsley 6, J. Ellison 7, Miss G. Dean (first quarter) 8. To welcome Rev. B. H. Williams, Vicar of Bilsborrow.

BISHOPSTOKE, HANTS.—On Aug. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: A. Guille 1, Mrs. M. Chapman 2, J. Hallet 3, R. Le Marechal 4, L. Cull 5, J. Collis 6, T. Chapman (cond.) 7, M. Anstey 8. First Triples 1, 3, 4, 6, 8. Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. T. Chapman, shortly leaving for Somerset.

BREADSALL, DERBYS.—On Aug. 11th, 1,260 Pl. Bob Doubles: Bea Theumer 1, J. Greasley (cond.) 2, Linda Greasley 3, Lester Ruckley 4, J. Roe 5, B. Greasley 6. First quarter 1 and 4. For Matins.

GLOUCESTER.—At the Church of St. Mary-de-Crypt, on Aug. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: L. Barry (cond.) 1, P. Clarkson 2, R. Hazell 3, L. Edwards 4, P. Allen 5, T. Goulter 6, P. Gould 7, J. Whiting 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of W. I. Cox.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.—At the Cathedral (on the front six), on July 12th: 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: P. Atkin 1, M. Novell 2, R. Gee 3, J. Collier 4, M. J. Kirk (cond.) 5, J. E. Sewell 6. A 21st birthday compliment to "Jimmy on the tenor".

HINTON WALDRIST, BERKS.—On Aug. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles, C. E. Timms 1, J. Sawyer 2, N. Leslie 3, C. R. Miles 4, D. Leslie (cond.) 5, A. White 6. For Patronal Festival evening service.

LONG LENGTH

MILTON REGIS, KENT.—On Aug. 7th, 3,600 Minor (720 Oxford T.B., 1,440 Kent T.B., 1,440 St. Clement's Bob): J. B. Clarke 1, Miss W. R. Austin 2, N. J. Chesson 3, F. J. Dadson 4, G. Wood 5, L. Mitchell (longest length as cond.) 6. Rung as a golden wedding compliment to the Rev. W. Bear, curate, and Mrs. Bear.

ADDINGTON, SURREY.—On Aug. 11th, 1,368 Primrose Surprise Minor: E. G. H. Godfrey (cond.) 1, Wendy Wallace 2, Carol Cousins 3, A. Long 4, C. H. Macve 5, R. Grant 6. For Matins.

BATH, SOM.—At the Church of SS. Michael with Paul, on Aug. 11th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. G. Hobbs 1, D. C. Hawkins 2, A. Adams 3, B. Sarll (first Minor "inside") 4, G. J. Hawkins (cond.) 5, P. J. Devrell 6.

BERRY POMEROY, DEVON.—On Aug. 13th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: B. Dodd 1, N. L. Bell 2, J. L. Bell 3, R. J. Talbot (cond.) 4, G. T. L. Read 5, R. J. Edden 6, R. F. Shepperd 7, R. Howse 8. First of Triples 1, 2 and 8.

BOURNEMOUTH, HANTS.—At 8. Gerald Road, on Aug. 7th, 1,376 Plain Bob Major: Mrs. F. J. Marshall 1-2, J. A. Hoare 3-4, D. T. Marlin (cond.) 5-6, A. V. Davis 7-8. Arranged for Mr. Hoare, of Swansea.

BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDS.—On Aug. 2nd, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Christine Manns 1, Wendy Meadows 2, Ann Butcher 3, Geraldine Mitchell 4, E. D. Wilson (cond.) 5, Joy Tyler 6.

BROMHAM, BEDS.—On Aug. 8th, 1,316 Grandsire Triples: Miss M. J. Lovell 1, Miss P. J. Hillson 2, Mrs. K. A. Marriott 3, R. Chapman 4, D. A. Hammond 5, F. C. Hulatt (first in method) 6, M. J. Marriott (cond.) 7, C. E. Jeffries 8. Rung in honour of the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. F. V. Stanton, of Bromham.

BURSTOW, SURREY.—On July 28th, 1,260 Doubles (Grandsire, Pl. Bob): Mrs. Roxane Sullivan (first attempt) 1, L. Penfold 2, Yvonne Turrell 3, P. Bryant (first "inside") 4, G. Sweet (cond.) 5, L. Wilson 6. For Matins.

CHIDDINGLY, SUSSEX.—On Aug. 10th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. Baker 1, E. Sybil M. Tonkin 2, D. R. McLean (25th Doubles as cond.) 3, R. R. Kennard 4, S. J. Osborne 5, A. Turner 6. First of Pl. Bob Doubles 1, 4 and 5. A wedding compliment to Jill Walsh and Edwin Macadam, married this day at Lechlade, Glos.

CLIFFORD, HEREFORDS.—On Aug. 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Miss G. M. James (13) 1, Miss E. Smith (16) 2, Mrs. G. E. Lewis 3, D. A. McEndoo 4, L. R. Taylor 5, C. A. Lewin (cond.) 6. First quarter 1 and 2.

COLSTON BASSETT, NOTTS.—On Aug. 6th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Susan M. O'Neill 1, Sheila M. Anthony 2, G. A. Duke 3, M. A. Rose 4, P. R. Humphrey 5, B. J. Bull 6, D. Stainsby 7, R. A. G. Inglis (cond.) 8. A compliment to John Miller and Judy Pilgrim, married at St. Peter's, Nottingham, on July 27th.

CRANHAM, GLOS.—On July 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. Allen (aged 11) 1, Mrs. Jean Allen 2, I. Goulter 3, P. Gould 4, P. Allen (cond.) 5, G. Hall 6. First quarter 1 and 6.

CREWE, CHESHIRE.—On Aug. 11th, 1,260 Pl. Bob Royal: S. Carter (first on ten) 1, G. A. Packer 2, W. Kerr 3, W. F. Gibbons 4, T. Lamb 5, E. J. Holloway 6, Miss A. D. Edwards 7, M. Allman 8, I. R. Nichols (cond.) 9, R. W. Morant 10. For Evensong.

CROYDON, SURREY.—At St. Peter's Church, on Aug. 4th, 1,295 Grandsire Caters: Miss V. Potter 1, Miss G. Bosworth-Smith 2, Mrs. C. Foster 3, Miss C. Martin 4, Miss E. Timmins 5, K. G. Game 6, C. M. Foster 7, P. R. Johnson 8, R. C. Stevens (cond.) 9, W. G. Brown 10. For Evensong.

DORCHESTER, DORSET.—On Aug. 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Margaret M. Godley 1, J. W. Rose 2, T. F. Collins 3, F. Symonds 4, R. H. Duke 5, Betty J. Duke 6, E. H. Amey (cond.) 7, P. Brain 8. Half-muffled in memoriam Canon A. W. Markby.

ELSTOW, BEDS.—On July 31st, 1,440 Minor (Single Oxford, Oxford T.B.): Mrs. K. A. Marriott 1, M. J. Marriott 2, A. D. Norman (first T.B.) 3, M. C. C. Melville 4, R. L. Piron 5, B. G. North (cond.) 6.

GLASTONBURY, SOM.—On Aug. 11th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: D. G. Mayell 1, Miss S. A. Mayell 2, T. W. Prince (first quarter) 3, G. Greuter 4, F. W. White (cond.) 5, F. Paramore 6.

GREASLEY, NOTTS.—On Aug. 7th, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: D. J. Beach 1, Barbara Hooks 2, P. Mary Beach 3, P. Nix 4, T. Ford (first "inside") 5, Helen M. Simpson (first Minor as cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to the ringer of the third.

QUARTER PEALS

HALSE, SOM.—On Aug. 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: K. E. Beale (cond.) 1, M. A. Arscott 2, J. Cornelius 3, A. W. Knight 4, R. A. C. Cross 5, A. Cross (first attempt) 6. First of Plain Bob Doubles by all the band.

HAMPTON-IN-ARDEN, WARKS.—On Aug. 12th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. Crabtree 1, W. B. Ellender 2, R. Harris 3, E. Cole 4, T. Warner (cond.) 5, G. Fearn 6. To mark the departure of Mr. and Mrs. L. Holdsworth, ex-churchwarden and P.C.C. member respectively, and in appreciation of their contribution to ringing and other activities at Hampton.

HESSLE, YORKS.—On Aug. 4th, 1,440 Kent T.B. Minor: R. H. Sharp 1, Mrs. F. Ross 2, Elizabeth Moss 3, R. R. Horton (cond., 25th quarter, "circled tower" twice) 4, R. H. Jordan (20th quarter) 5, Rev. F. Ross 6. A welcome to Bishop G. Cockin to Evensong and to mark R. H. Sharp's 25 years as a local ringer.

HINTON ST. GEORGE, SOM.—On July 23rd, 1,260 Grandsire and Bob Doubles: Mrs. R. Dean 1, Mrs. C. Gratton 2, Mrs. L. Crocker 3, C. Gratton 4, R. Dean (cond.) 5, R. Welch 6. Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. Robert Parker and Miss Lesley Leggett.

KEYMER, SUSSEX.—On Aug. 4th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Wendy B. Everest 1, Edna M. Everest (cond.) 2, H. W. Brown 3, Dilyn M. Smith 4, C. Robinson 5, D. Anderson 6. Rung half-muffled in memory of R. Cragg, a member of the local band.

KING'S LYNN, NORFOLK.—At the Church of St. Margaret, on July 29th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Shelagh R. Collins 1, W. Cousins 2, R. Newson 3, D. Gagen 4, C. Tovell 5, M. Gathercole (home on leave from Lagos, Nigeria) 6, C. Cousins 7, N. V. Harding (cond.) 8. Rung in honour of the visit of H.M. Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother to St. Margaret's to attend the second performance of "The Prodigal Son" by the English Opera Group.

KIRBY-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX.—On Aug. 6th, 1,280 Double Norwich Court Bob Major: C. McArthur 1, B. Bradbeer 2, Miss H. McArthur 3, Mrs. J. Wildney 4, E. B. Smith 5, F. B. Lufkin (cond.) 6, J. Smith 7, U. W. Wildney 8. Arranged for seventh ringer, on holiday from Tasmania.

LECHLADE, GLOS.—On Aug. 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Bridget Hardisty 1, R. Hayden 2, Janet Powell (first "inside") 3, P. Kirby 4, H. Evans (cond.) 5, J. Ryman 6. For the wedding of Edwin Macadam and Gillian Walsh, both former members of tower and choir.

LEDBURY, HEREFORDS.—On Aug. 11th, 1,260 Doubles (Pl. Bob and Grandsire): R. W. Collins 1, Miss R. Collins 2, P. G. Hickey 3, S. B. Bell (cond.) 4, R. K. Williams 5, F. Lawrence 6. Rung half-muffled in memoriam Edward Harling, sidesman at this church.

LEYTON, ESSEX.—On Aug. 10th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: K. Warner 1, C. Neville 2, C. Hughes 3, T. Sharp 4, C. Ottaway 5, C. Wright 6, D. Ellidson (cond.) 7, R. Tomlin 8. Rung after a peal failure as a birthday compliment to Ken Warner (21st) and Charlie Hughes (82nd).

LONDON, W.C.—At the Church of St. Clement Danes, on Aug. 11th, 1,299 Stedman Caters: Susan Davis 1, C. A. Hughes 2, Hilda E. Oatway 3, A. M. Stacey 4, B. Read (first Stedman) 5, R. Cadamy 6, J. Marks 7, W. G. Wilson 8, W. F. Oatway (cond.) 9, A. Fulwell 10. For Matins, and as an 82nd birthday compliment to ringer of 2nd.

LONGBRIDGE DEVERILL, WILTS.—On Aug. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Suzanne Read 1, Ann Bugan 2, Kathryn Jones 3, Mrs. R. Jones 4, R. F. Jones (first as cond.) 5, G. Read 6. First quarter for all except 4 and 5. Rung in memory of Dennis Cane, organist.

NAILSEA, SOM.—On Aug. 6th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Youde (first quarter, aged 78) 1, L. Derrick (cond.) 2, R. Boulbee 3, J. Everard 4, H. Hardwidge 5, L. Childs 6.

NEWINGTON-NEXT-SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.—On Aug. 6th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: D. Jackson 1, Miss R. Gilbert 2, Miss W. R. Austin 3, F. J. Dadson 4, M. Lacey (first Minor "inside") 5, I. Mitchell (cond.) 6. First quarter 1, 2. Rung as birthday compliments to Mrs. E. Gilbert, sen. (90), Miss R. Gilbert, Mr. L. Wright and Janette Mitchell: all relations of or members of the local band.

OLD HEADINGTON, OXFORD.—On Aug. 4th, 1,260 Doubles (two methods): Christine Birks 1, Janet Woodman 2, Linda Cozier (first in two methods "inside") 3, H. Badger 4, T. Smith (cond.) 5, Jane Wyatt 6. A farewell compliment to Janet Woodman after eight years' service to the tower.

PATTISHALL, NORTHANTS.—On Aug. 7th, 1,260 Minor (Kent T.B. and Plain Bob): Cheryl Paul 1, Mollie Care 2, Bridget Bates 3, B. E. Care 4, G. C. Paul (cond.) 5, A. A. Paul 6.

PAULERSPURY, NORTHANTS.—On Aug. 3rd, 1,440 Minor (London Surprise and Chadkirk T.B.): K. R. Holton 1, Shirley Ruddlesden 2, Bridget Bates 3, A. A. Paul 4, S. M. Ruddlesden 5, G. C. Paul (cond.) 6.

PENKIRIDGE, STAFFS.—On Aug. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Jennifer Beech 1, Ruth A. E. Fairbrother 2, E. R. Fairbrother 3, Gillian Bosworth-Smith 4, N. R. Holland 5, P. R. Johnson (first Triples as cond.) 6, F. Beech 7, S. W. Illidge 8.

PETERSFIELD, HANTS.—On Aug. 11th, 1,260 Doubles (four methods, 6 and 7 cover): Karin Hatherly (first quarter, aged 12) 1, R. Tipper 2, Valerie Rushforth 3, K. Tipper 4, B. Walton (cond.) 5, D. Hatherly 6, K. Sansom 7. For Evensong.

PRESTBURY, GLOS.—On Aug. 6th, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): Miss J. Brown (first quarter) 1, G. Maggs 2, M. Maggs 3, R. Tibbles (cond.) 4, R. Dowdeswell 5, S. Udolloress 6. Rung for the centenary of the restoration of the church.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.—At the Cathedral, on July 21st, 1,280 London Surprise Major: Patricia Doorn 1, Katherine S. Hardy 2, Elizabeth M. Barber (first in method) 3, M. D. Frost 4, A. R. Carter 5, R. E. Hardy 6, R. F. Ewer 7, G. Penney (cond.) 8. Rung by the Sunday service band for Evensong.

SOUTH PETHERTON, SOM.—On Aug. 3rd, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles (7, 6, 8 covering): Mrs. E. Welch 1, K. Welch 2, F. Welch (cond.) 3, A. Drayton 4, J. Cornelli 5, R. Hebditch 6, R. Welch 7, E. Rice 8. A golden wedding compliment to Mr. and Mrs. A. Bool.

STANGROUND, NORTHANTS.—On Aug. 3rd, 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: J. R. Charlton 1, Susan Randall 2, Mary Cole (first Doubles) 3, R. H. Daw 4, J. David (first as cond.) 5, A. Dalby 6.

STANTON DREW, SOM.—On Aug. 3rd, 1,260 Doubles (five methods): A. J. Coombs 1, R. L. Coles 2, I. P. Cox 3, A. F. Lee 4, D. C. Hawkins 5. Each ringer conducted a different method.

STOKE, COVENTRY, WARKS.—On July 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Barbara K. Fyle 1, H. Folwell 2, D. Langton 3, R. D. Hart 4, A. R. Wright (cond.) 5. For Evensong, and in memoriam D. Ellender, one-time ringer at this church.

SYSTON, LEICS.—On Aug. 11th, 1,356 Pl. Bob Minor: Barbara Newton 1, Anne Rickaby (first quarter) 2, Doreen I. Payrie 3, Mary C. Poyner 4, H. M. Payne 5, H. Poyner (cond.) 6. An engagement compliment to John Newborn and Carol Mullineux.

THERBERTON, SUFFOLK.—On July 26th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: P. S. Bedford 1, S. J. Bedford 2, J. Marjoram 3, A. Knights 4, V. B. Bedford (cond.) 5, H. Archer 6. Rung half-muffled as a tribute to William Smith, of Leiston, killed on July 20th when the Tiger Moth plane he was piloting crashed.

TWERTON-ON-AVON, Bath, SOM.—On Aug. 11th, 1,440 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Erica Pankhurst 1, Kay Whitaker 2, Shirley A. Cox 3, A. F. Lee 4, J. R. Hobbs 5, R. L. Coles (first of Surprise as cond.) 6. Rung in memoriam Rev. Dr. Francis Pollard, late chairman of the Bath Branch.

UPPER BEEDING, SUSSEX.—On Aug. 8th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Anita Douglas (first quarter) 1, Heather M. Craven 2, Catriona M. McNeil 3, H. T. Barber 4, J. M. Hills (cond.) 5, H. Clare McNeil (first quarter) 6. Rung by the local band as a welcome to Helen Louise Austin, cousin of the ringers of 3 and 6.

URCHFONT, WILTS.—On Aug. 10th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: I. Heath (13, first quarter) 1, Jennifer Alexander 2, G. Heath (cond.) 3, J. Burry 4, W. Alexander 5, D. Cook 6. Rung for the wedding of Miss Margaret Harding, daughter of churchwarden and a ringer, to Mr. John Greenfield.

WESTERLEIGH, DEVON.—On Aug. 11th, 1,260 Pl. Bob Doubles: Elizabeth Cleaver (first quarter) 1, Gillian Cleaver 2, T. C. Hine 3, Rev. J. Shephard-Walwyn 4, A. N. Hine (cond.) 5, P. E. Hine (first quarter) 6. First "inside" 2, 3. Rung for Evensong.

WESTHAM, SUSSEX.—On Aug. 6th, 1,279 Doubles (Grandsire and Plain Bob): Miss V. Murray 1, Jane Mason (first in more than one method) 2, Amette Bradbury 3, Susan Harrison 4, A. Baldock (cond.) 5, G. Welch (first quarter) 6. For the Feast of the Transfiguration.

WYKE REGIS, DORSET.—On July 28th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: J. W. Rose 1, M. G. R. Zobel 2, R. F. Symonds 3, Enid Hammond 4, P. Herbert 5, S. G. A. Kear 6, B. S. B. Kear (cond.) 7, S. Hammond 8. For the christening of Michael Spencer, son of the conductor, grandson of 6 and 8 and nephew of 4.

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